

Is fao.org legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 100/100

fao.org

Verdict

100

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

fao.org appears legitimate.

Our checks found nothing pointing to fraud. Ordinary care still applies when you pay or sign in.

Not Scam

Safe for Login

Low Risk

Assessed 2026-08-13 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 75%.

What this site appears to be

Official FAO homepage offering news, publications, data portals (FAOSTAT), interactive stories and resources about food, agriculture and nutrition. Institutional content for member countries, programs and transparency resources.

Evidence status and limitations

- Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN
- The real-world operator identity was not independently verified.
 - Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

Malware engines	None flagged it VirusTotal	CLEAR
Google Safe Browsing	Not listed Google	CLEAR
Abuse reports on the host	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	33 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Archived since 1996 2655 snapshots	CLEAR
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by WE1	NOTED

The page as captured

No screenshot is retained for this report.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- Domain age: more than 10 years (registration continuity).
- Public web-archive history exists since 1996.
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.

Full analysis

Overview

The website is an informational and institutional platform for the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, presenting news, publications, FAOSTAT data, country resources, technical material, and transparency information relating to food, agriculture, and nutrition. Its apparent model is public-service provision funded through member-state contributions, project funding, partnerships, and grants rather than direct commercial sales to visitors.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No contradictions were observed: there were no phishing, impersonation, blacklist, malicious-reputation, or conflicting-identity indicators in the supplied evidence. The site's content, navigation, and institutional subject matter are consistent with an established international organization, while the real-world operator identity remains likely rather than independently verified. Automated interaction telemetry recorded two suspicious inline scripts, non-whitelisted external requests and posts, and console errors; these signals were implementation-level observations rather than evidence of credential harvesting or cloaking, since no login form, sensitive form, wallet behavior, clipboard activity, or external password submission was detected.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage is titled "Home | Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations" and is classified as informational and organizational content without detected brand impersonation.
- The domain was registered in 1993 and is approximately 33.1 years old.
- The web archive records 2,655 snapshots spanning 1996–2025, with 30 years tracked.
- External reputation checks recorded 0 malicious detections, 0 suspicious detections, 0 abuse reports, and an established global traffic rank of 1768.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The About, FAO-and-UN, governing-body, worldwide-office, oversight, and transparency materials provide substantial institutional context and are consistent with the stated international-agency role. No commercial license, regulatory registration number, or regulated financial-service claim is presented in the supplied site content; this is a disclosure and verification consideration, not evidence of scam activity, particularly because the site presents an informational public-service model rather than a financial product. The available evidence supports an apparently legitimate established site, but does not independently prove the legal operator's identity.

EVIDENCE

- The About section provides links to the Director-General, organizational chart, governing bodies, worldwide offices, and FAO-and-UN information.
- The site includes a dedicated “Transparency and accountability” area and member-country resources.
- The domain is registered through Network Solutions, LLC.
- The site's TLS certificate is issued by WE1, uses DV validation, and is valid to 2026-11-08.

What to Verify Next

Before any credential or payment interaction, an enterprise or prospective user should confirm the organization's identity through an independent United Nations or FAO directory, validate that any contact route is reached through the established domain rather than an unsolicited message, and apply ordinary payment-protection and return-policy checks if a transaction is proposed. Any purported licensing or fundraising claim should be confirmed against the relevant official authority or the organization's independently sourced public documentation.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage exposes one search form and no sensitive form, login form, or untrusted form destination.
- The site's About, transparency, and member-country navigation provide specific institutional references suitable for independent cross-checking.
- The site links to established social and media platforms, including Facebook, X, Instagram, Spotify, Apple, and WeChat.

Summary Verdict

Available evidence is consistent with an established, apparently legitimate website and supports a high-trust, low-risk posture for its stated informational purpose. The classification is strong, while the connection between the website and a specific real-world operator remains likely rather than conclusively verified.

Infrastructure Integrity

The site is protected by Cloudflare CDN/WAF infrastructure, with observed service associated with AS13335; the deployment includes CDN edge addresses and additional infrastructure addresses, including AS16509, with one potential origin candidate. This arrangement mitigates direct exposure of the service infrastructure, although protective hosting is a supporting control rather than proof of legitimacy.

Closing Assessment

Normal informational use is proportionate to the available evidence; credentials or payments should be preceded by independent confirmation of organizational identity and the applicable transaction protections.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-13 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

What the analysis found

No rule findings contributed to this verdict.

Identity verification

Status	LIKELY
Identity score	76/100
Identity verification confidence	76%

- Trusted social count=2

Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.

What TrustSniffer observed

First-party facts recorded during the assessment of fao.org.

- The request stayed on fao.org. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- Registration is published under Network Solutions, LLC. CLEAR
- DNS for this domain is served by awsdns-33.org, across 4 name servers. NOTED
- The registration is paid up to 2034-07-13. CLEAR
- The earliest public archive of this site is from 1996-10-18. CLEAR
- It is hosted on CLOUDFLARENET, from a server in US. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	Network Solutions, LLC
Hosting	CLOUDFLARENET - Cloudflare, Inc., US
Country	US
Server IP	2606:4700::6812:b29
Name servers	ns-1289.awsdns-33.org, ns-1022.awsdns-63.net, ns-120.awsdns-15.com, ns-1878.awsdns-42.co.uk
SSL issuer	WE1
SSL expiry	2026-11-08
Domain age	33.10 years (continuous registration)
Domain expiry	2034-07-13
Archive first seen	1996-10-18
Archive snapshots	2655
Reputation	VirusTotal: 0 flagged AbuseIPDB: 0 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about fao.org at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a

legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.

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