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- [Internet the new junk food battleground](#)
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- [Fast foods: ads vs reality](#)

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- [Study finds junk food ads, not TV, make kids fat](#)

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MARCH 2009

- [New media, same old tricks – junk food websites are getting kids hooked](#)

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- [What you should know about the food industry](#)

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- [Kellogg Agrees to Phase Out Some Food Ads to Children](#)

MARCH 2007

- New Study: [Food: Top Product Seen Advertised by Children](#) (watch [some of the TV commercials](#) cited by the Kaiser report)

JULY 2006

- [Food companies lure kids with online games](#) (Kaiser Study)
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- [Online Games Influence Kids' Food Choices](#)
- [FDA warns Cheerios over health claims](#)
- [WONKA Brands Dropped From Kids Shows](#)
- [ANA: Kids Seeing Fewer Snack-Food Ads](#)
- [Despite Pledges, Nickelodeon Still Marketing Nutritionally Poor Food](#)
- [Burger King goes after moms with new ads](#)
- [Child obesity seen as fueled by Spanish language TV ads](#)
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- [Kids put nutrition in the picture](#)
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- [Sodas on the dietary hot seat](#)
- [Junk food more available in middle schools](#)
- [California AG wants warning labels on fries, chips](#)
- [Food Landscape in TV: junk food ads](#) (study)
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- [Cereal ads give apples a bad rap, critics say](#)
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- Various articles on [FTC Kids' food ad hearings](#)
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