



USDA Commodity Distribution for the National Breakfast and Lunch Programs
Fact Sheet

Commodity Distribution for the National Breakfast and Lunch Program - The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) designates the Human Services Department (HSD), Food and Nutrition Services (FANS) Bureau as the state distributing agency responsible for the distribution of USDA commodities to the schools in New Mexico

- ▶ Foods available from the USDA go to schools to supplement their National breakfast and lunch programs.
- ▶ USDA commodities provide 16-20 percent of a school's food service department's food costs.

Federal Entitlement Funds for Commodities

- ▶ 2004--\$6,363,987
- ▶ 2005--\$6,175,183
- ▶ 2006--\$6,253,760
- ▶ 2007--\$7,389,736
- ▶ 2008--\$7,862,751
- ▶ 2009--\$7,990,532
- ▶ 2010 Projected \$7,275,569

Required Allocation of Entitlement Funds

- ▶ 100% of entitlement funds are allocated to schools

NM Schools Eligible

- ▶ All eligible schools participating in the USDA Commodity Distribution Program are approved through the Public Education Department (PED), Student Nutrition Bureau.
 - 88 School Districts
 - 27 Private Schools and Residential Centers
 - 34 Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Schools

Fund Distribution

- ▶ Commodity Entitlement is allocated to all eligible schools based on their Average Daily Lunch Participation (ADP)
- ▶ Updated ADP's are provided for all eligible schools to the FANS Bureau by PED twice a year.

FANS Bureau Services

- ▶ Store and delivery USDA commodities for schools in New Mexico.
- ▶ Delivery commodities to schools monthly (July-April)
- ▶ Provide annual USDA commodity training to food service directors.
- ▶ Provide annual processing show and training for schools interested in processing commodities.

Program Outcomes

- ▶ Supplement school breakfast and lunch which feed approximately 80,000 breakfasts and 250,000 lunches daily with USDA commodities.

FANS Oversight

- ▶ Monitor annual entitlement so that schools do not go over the entitlement.
- ▶ Provide training.
- ▶ Survey schools on USDA commodities they want to order.
- ▶ Conduct reviews of schools identified by PED for non compliance with USDA regulations pertaining to Commodity Program.

USDA Entitlement Future Funding

- ▶ Projected for 2010 \$7,275,569

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