Payment Integrity Scorecard

Program or Activity
FNS National School Lunch Program (NSLP)

Reporting Period Q2 2022

Change from Previous FY (\$M)

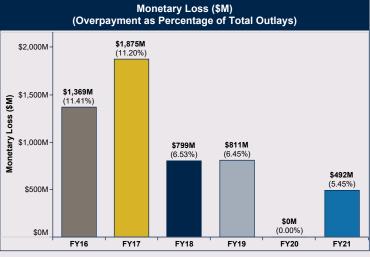
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USDA FNS National School Lunch Program (NSLP)

Brief Program Description:
The National School Lunch Program (NSLP) is a federally assisted meal program operating in public and nonprofit private schools and residential child care institutions. It provides nutritionally balanced, low-cost or free meals to children.

Key Milestones		Status	ECD
1	Develop mitigation strategies to get the payment right the first time	On-Track	Sep-22
2	Evaluate the ROI of the mitigation strategy	On-Track	Sep-22
3	Determine which strategies have the best ROI to prevent cash loss	On-Track	Sep-22
4	Implement new mitigation strategies to prevent cash loss	On-Track	Sep-22
5	Analyze results of implementing new strategies	On-Track	Sep-22
6	Achieved compliance with PIIA	On-Track	Sep-22
7	Identified any data needs for mitigation	On-Track	Sep-22



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Goals towards Reducing Monetary Loss			Status	ECD
1	Q2 2022	The majority of NSLP/SBP participating schools are operating under waivers that allow serving no-cost meals to all students without the need for certifying applications.	On-Track	Sep-22

Recovery Method	Brief Description of Plans to Recover Overpayments	Brief Description of Actions Taken to Recover Overpayments

Accomplishments in Reducing Monetary Loss		
1	1 FNS recently completed research on the Direct Certification with Medicaid for Free and Reduced-Price Meals (DCM-F/RP). DCM-F/RP is intended to reduce both household and administrative certification error in LEA processing of household applications.	
2	2 Continued to promote USDA's voluntary Data Validation Service edit checks system by validating eight states' data and providing reports tailored to each state to assist states improving data quality of NSLP/SBP eligibility verification data.	
3	3 Monitor/provide technical assistance to state recipients of Technology Innovation Grants and/or 2019 Administrative Review & Training grants supporting projects to improve CN program accountability & administrative efficiencies at state/local levels.	

Amt(\$)	Root Cause of Monetary Loss	Root Cause Description	Mitigation Strategy	Brief Description of Mitigation Strategy and Anticipated Impact
\$492M	Overpayments outside the agency control that occurred because the Data/Information Needed Does Not Exist.	Households may incorrectly self-report and administrative staff may miscalculate household's application information resulting in miscertification. There are no dataset/database that include household-level information for each household-level information for each household application.		Improve accuracy of eligibility determinations to certify children for free, reduced price, and paid NSLP/SBP meals through increased automation and enhanced integrity features of electronic NSLP/SBP meal benefit applications.