



Fact Sheet



Food Stamp Program Education and Administrative Reporting (EARS) Web-based Submission System

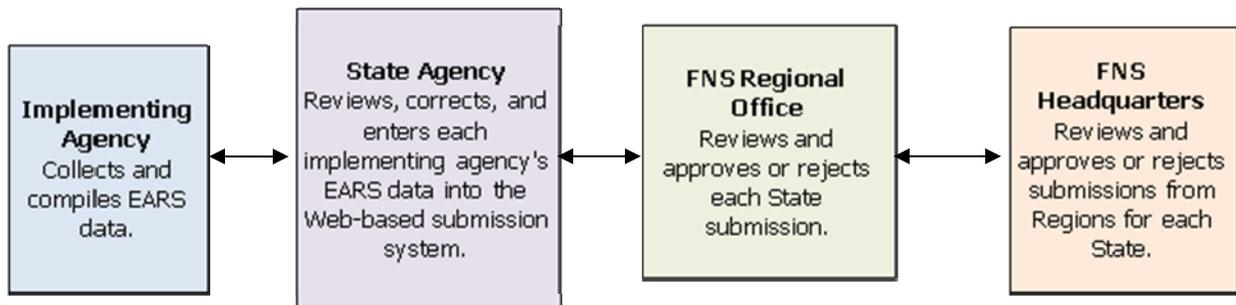
The Web-based EARS form will be housed in FNS' Food Programs Reporting System (FPRS). FPRS is a data submission system that contains several FNS forms, including the Food Stamp Financial Status Report (SF-269).

What is the Food Programs Reporting System (FPRS)?

The Food Programs Reporting System (FPRS) is a Web-based submission system that allows State Agencies to electronically provide food program activity and financial information to FNS. Submitted information is transmitted to the FNS Regional Office for review, and then to FNS Headquarters. FPRS provides a unified Web-based platform for form submission and workflow management, which enables the collection of key data for FNS with high levels of integrity and efficiency.

FPRS data are transferred into the National Data Bank (NDB) for ad hoc reporting and analysis. NDB incorporates data from a variety of sources in addition to FPRS (e.g., Commodity and Census data) and consolidates these data to produce canned and customized reports for FNS analysts. Once verified by FNS, a set of key data reports are released to the Office of Management and Budget, Congress, and the public.

Figure 1. Controlled Workflow of EARS Data Submission



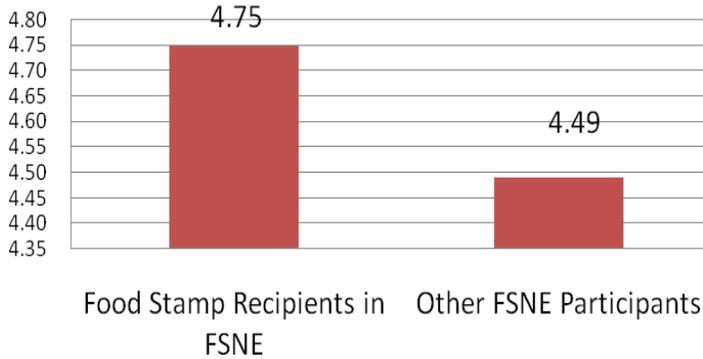
What type(s) of reports will the system generate?

Following are examples of some reports FNS plans to generate from the EARS data. The NDB output files are in Excel, allowing users to create a variety of other charts and graphics from

Examples

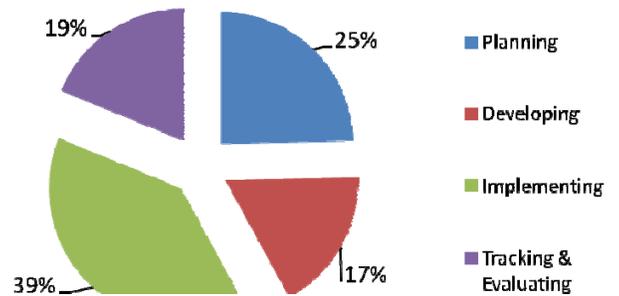
Direct Education

Average Contacts per FSNE Participant by FSP Status



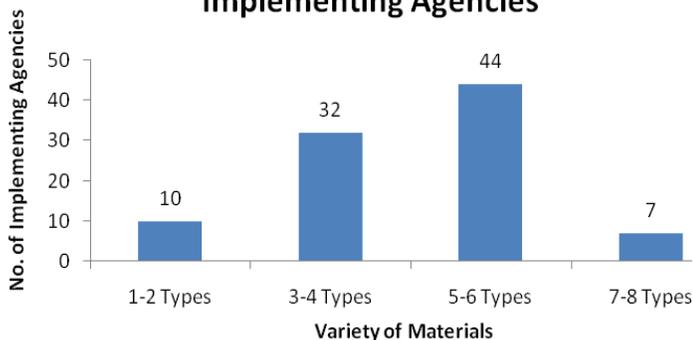
Social Marketing

Major Activities for Current Year



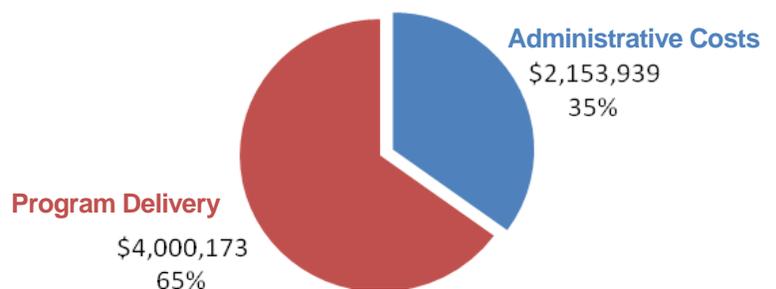
Indirect Education

Variety of Materials Distributed by Implementing Agencies



Expenditures

FSNE Expenditures by Category of Spending



Note: Data represented in these graphics are fictitious and do not represent any State or implementing agency (IA).