COST OF FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAMS						
(Data as of October 7, 2026)						
Fiscal Year	Nutrition Services Incentive Program 1)	Food Distribution on Indian Reservations 2)	Charitable Institutions 3)	Commodity Suplemental Food 4)	Emergency Food Assistance 5)	Total 6)
----------Millions of Dollars----------						
1969	--	223.9	25.4	1.0	--	250.3
1970	--	281.6	22.5	7.8	--	311.9
1971	--	308.4	24.5	12.8	--	345.7
1972	--	298.6	25.8	12.9	--	337.3
1973	--	241.2	27.4	13.3	--	281.9
1974	--	178.5	24.8	15.1	--	218.4
1975	1.8	39.1	20.3	17.3	--	78.5
1976	8.7	11.3	11.9	17.2	--	49.1
1977	18.9	11.1	17.6	14.3	--	61.9
1978	37.6	12.6	27.9	17.6	--	95.7
1979	57.8	20.6	54.2	17.4	--	150.0
1980	74.9	26.8	71.2	21.5	--	194.4
1981	93.7	37.1	78.3	27.8	--	236.9
1982	101.9	41.0	116.7	28.1	179.5	467.2
1983	119.8	43.6	153.8	41.5	998.2	1,356.9
1984	126.6	50.8	189.8	48.0	1074.6	1,489.8
1985	133.7	59.9	170.3	48.4	1026.2	1,439.2
1986	137.2	60.2	240.4	47.7	895.2	1,380.9
1987	139.3	63.4	158.1	55.6	895.0	1,313.0
1988	146.1	61.6	158.9	61.8	645.4	1,075.0
1989	144.4	63.3	135.6	72.3	301.2	718.2
1990	141.6	65.8	103.9	85.4	329.2	727.1
1991	140.5	64.7	93.1	92.7	298.7	691.5
1992	151.5	61.9	115.1	105.2	271.3	707.4
1993	152.9	62.8	91.1	112.6	270.8	693.8
1994	151.5	65.3	105.5	107.3	264.1	696.8
1995	147.5	66.0	64.0	99.1	134.8	513.7
1996	144.8	72.9	11.0	101.5	79.6	410.5
1997	145.1	73.5	6.3	100.4	191.8	518.2
1998	141.1	75.2	9.3	96.3	234.3	557.2
1999	140.3	79.7	3.0	100.3	269.6	601.4
2000	137.1	74.2	2.2	97.8	224.8	536.6
2001	152.1	72.3	6.8	105.4	377.1	716.3
2002	150.0	75.5	16.4	115.4	434.5	802.6
2003	3.2	77.8	6.2	121.8	455.6	665.4
2004	3.7	81.0	10.0	145.3	419.7	679.8
2005	3.8	75.8	3.8	155.6	372.4	626.5
2006	2.9	75.6	2.8	131.0	300.4	529.0
2007	2.6	80.8	0.0	142.1	255.4	488.0
2008	2.4	97.4	0.0	160.9	283.0	543.9

2009	2.0	104.7	0.0	155.1	616.5	878.3
2010	2.5	97.6	0.6	165.0	630.7	898.0
2011	1.7	94.9	0.1	198.5	531.6	830.7
2012	2.7	98.8	0.0	208.9	443.6	757.4
2013	2.5	101.4	0.0	206.1	692.5	1,002.6
2014	1.8	111.7	0.0	200.2	628.9	942.6
2015	2.5	121.6	0.0	195.5	524.9	844.5
2016	2.5	133.8	0.0	189.7	663.4	989.8
2017	3.0	132.0	0.0	207.3	660.3	1,002.7
2018	3.0	136.4	0.0	231.3	629.9	1,007.4
2019	2.5	145.4	0.0	260.2	764.2	1,193.6
2020	2.0	175.7	0.0	289.4	990.0	1,458.3
2021	1.6	128.0	0.0	299.9	1,793.7	2,223.2
2022	0.9	123.2	0.0	353.8	1,557.8	2,111.9
2023	2.0	146.3	0.0	389.3	1,810.9	2,348.9
2024	2.3	190.0	0.0	384.6	2,426.7	3,003.5
2025	2.7	195.6	0.0	379.8	1,673.6	2,251.8
All data are subject to revision.						

1] Formerly known as Nutrition Program for the Elderly. Includes the value of commodities delivered to State warehouses and cash-in-lieu of commodities. Beginning in FY 2001, grants are based on the proportion of total meals served the previous year by each State agency and Indian tribal organization. In FY 2003, administration of the program was transferred to the Agency on Aging (Department of Health and Human Services); FNS' role was limited to providing commodities for State or Indian agencies which elect food distribution for a portion of their grant.

2] Includes the value of commodities distributed to participants, the Federal share of State administrative expenses, and other costs (e.g., storage and transportation, demo. projects, and food losses--FY 1996 onward). Originally established to provide commodity assistance to needy families, the program was gradually replaced by the Food Stamp Program (FSP). After FY 1975--when the FSP attained nationwide coverage--it was limited to Indian reservations which preferred food distribution to food stamps, and to certain Pacific islands. The latter were gradually phased out from the late 1980's to the mid 1990's as the islands converted from U.S. territorial status to commonwealths.

3] Includes the value of surplus commodities delivered to State warehouses for distribution to charitable institutions and summer camps.

4] Includes the value of commodities distributed to participants, the Federal share of State administrative expenses, and other costs (e.g., storage and transportation, demo. projects, and food losses--FY 1996 onward). CSFP has two components--women, infants and children (a food distribution alternative to the WIC Program) and low-income elderly persons. FY 2006 excludes supplemental disaster assistance provided to gulf states affected by Hurricane Katrina.

5] Includes the value of commodities delivered to State warehouses under The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP--all years) and the Soup Kitchens/Food Banks Program (FY 1989-96) which provided benefits analogous to TEFAP under a separate appropriation. Also includes the Federal share of State administrative expenses.

6] The total includes commodity disaster assistance. It does not include commodity costs of Child Nutrition Programs. Most disaster assistance is provided through SNAP and is included in SNAP benefit costs. Also includes food distributed to the Bureau of Prisons, the Veterans Administration, and the SNAP Elderly Pilot Project.

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