

Need and Use of the Information: FSA will collect information on race, ethnicity and gender of each nominee as provided through the voluntary self-identification of each nominee agreeing to run for a position. The information will be sent to Kansas City for preparation of the upcoming election. The Secretary will review the information annually. If the information is not collected in any given year, the Secretary would not be able to prepare the report as required by the regulations.

Description of Respondents: Individuals or households.

Number of Respondents: 10,000.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 6,700.

Farm Service Agency

Title: Long Term Contracting System (LTCS).

OMB Control Number: 0560-0249.

Summary of Collection: The Long Term Contracting System (LTCS) is a Web-based application that streamlines the bid entry and evaluation function for Long-term, Indefinite-Delivery, Indefinite-Quality contracts. The Kansas City Commodity Office (KCCO) will generally issue invitation for bids to purchase commodities for domestic feeding program on an annual, semi-annual, monthly, or quarterly basis; however, invitation may be issued more frequently depending on various program requirements. Bid offers will be received, evaluated and awarded within the LTCS.

Need and Use of the Information: The information collected will be processed through the LTCS bid evaluation program to determine optimal awards. KCCO will analyze the results of the bid evaluation and award contracts to the responsible and responsive bidders whose offers are most advantageous to USDA in terms of the lowest overall cost. The information is required to procure agricultural commodities for domestic feeding programs. Without the

information, KCCO could not meet program requirements.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 20.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion; Quarterly; Semi-annually; Monthly; Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 920.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Child and Adult Care Food Program: National Average Payment Rates, Day Care Home Food Service Payment Rates, and Administrative Reimbursement Rates for Sponsoring Organizations of Day Care Homes for the Period July 1, 2008 Through June 30, 2009

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the annual adjustments to the national average payment rates for meals and snacks served in child care centers, outside-school-hours care centers, at-risk afterschool care centers, and adult day care centers; the food service payment rates for meals and snacks served in day care homes; and the administrative reimbursement rates for sponsoring organizations of day care homes, to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index. Further adjustments are made to these rates to reflect the higher costs of providing meals in the States of Alaska and Hawaii. The adjustments contained in this notice are made on an annual basis each July, as required by the laws and

regulations governing the Child and Adult Care Food Program.

DATES: These rates are effective from July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert M. Eadie, Chief, Policy and Program Development Branch, Child Nutrition Division, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 640, Alexandria, Virginia 22302-1594, 703-305-2590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Definitions

The terms used in this notice have the meanings ascribed to them in the Child and Adult Care Food Program regulations, 7 CFR part 226.

Background

Pursuant to sections 4, 11, and 17 of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1753, 1759a and 1766), section 4 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1773) and sections 226.4, 226.12 and 226.13 of the regulations, notice is hereby given of the new payment rates for institutions participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). These rates are in effect during the period, July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.

As provided for under the law, all rates in the CACFP must be revised annually, on July 1, to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI), published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor, for the most recent 12-month period. In accordance with this mandate, the United States Department of Agriculture last published the adjusted national average payment rates for centers, the food service payment rates for day care homes, and the administrative reimbursement rates for sponsors of day care homes, for the period from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008, on July 10, 2007, at 72 FR 37505.

CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM (CACFP)

[Per meal rates in whole or fractions of U.S. dollars]

[Effective from July 1, 2008–June 30, 2009]

Centers		Breakfast	Lunch and supper ¹	Snack
Contiguous States	Paid	0.25	0.24	0.06
	Reduced Price	1.10	2.17	0.35
	Free	1.40	2.57	0.71
Alaska	Paid	0.37	0.40	0.10
	Reduced Price	1.94	3.78	0.57
	Free	2.24	4.18	1.15
Hawaii	Paid	0.28	0.29	0.07
	Reduced Price	1.33	2.62	0.41
	Free	1.63	3.02	0.83

Day care homes	Breakfast		Lunch and supper		Snack	
	Tier I	Tier II	Tier I	Tier II	Tier I	Tier II
Contiguous States	1.17	0.43	2.18	1.31	0.65	0.18
Alaska	1.86	0.66	3.53	2.13	1.05	0.29
Hawaii	1.36	0.49	2.55	1.54	0.76	0.21
Administrative reimbursement rates for sponsoring organizations of day care homes per home/per month rates in U.S. dollars	Initial 50		Next 150	Next 800	Each additional	
Contiguous States	101		77	60	53	
Alaska	164		125	98	86	
Hawaii	119		90	71	62	

¹ These rates do not include the value of commodities (or cash-in-lieu of commodities) which institutions receive as additional assistance for each lunch or supper served to participants under the Program. A notice announcing the value of commodities and cash-in-lieu of commodities is published separately in the **Federal Register**.

The changes in the national average payment rates for centers reflect a 4.272 percent increase during the 12-month period, May 2007 to May 2008, (from 205.2 in May 2007, as previously published in the **Federal Register**, to 213.967 in May 2008) in the food away from home series of the CPI for All Urban Consumers.

The changes in the food service payment rates for day care homes reflect a 5.773 percent increase during the 12-month period, May 2007 to May 2008, (from 200.3 in May 2007, as previously published in the **Federal Register**, to 211.863 in May 2008) in the food at home series of the CPI for All Urban Consumers.

The changes in the administrative reimbursement rates for sponsoring organizations of day care homes reflect a 4.200 percent increase during the 12-month period, May 2007 to May 2008, (from 207.9 in May 2007, as previously published in the **Federal Register**, to 216.632 in May 2008) in the series for all items of the CPI for All Urban Consumers.

The total amount of payments available to each State agency for distribution to institutions participating in the program is based on the rates contained in this notice.

This action is not a rule as defined by the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601–612) and thus is exempt from the provisions of that Act. This notice has been determined to be exempt under Executive Order 12866.

This Program is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under No. 10.558 and is subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372, which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials. (See 7 CFR Part 3015, Subpart V, and final rule related notice published at 48 FR 29114, June 24, 1983.)

This notice has been determined to be not significant and was reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget in

conformance with Executive Order 12866.

This notice imposes no new reporting or recordkeeping provisions that are subject to Office of Management and Budget review in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3518).

Authority: Sections 4(b)(2), 11a, 17(c) and 17(f)(3)(B) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1753(b)(2), 1759a, 1766(f)(3)(B)) and section 4(b)(1)(B) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1773(b)(1)(B)).

Dated: July 1, 2008.

Roberto Salazar,
Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Food Distribution Program: Value of Donated Foods From July 1, 2008 Through June 30, 2009

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the national average value of donated foods or, where applicable, cash in lieu of donated foods, to be provided in school year 2009 (July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009) for each lunch served by schools participating in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), and for each lunch and supper served by institutions participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP).

DATES: The rate in this notice is effective July 1, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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22302–1594 or telephone (703) 305–2662.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: These programs are listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under Nos. 10.555 and 10.558 and are subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372, which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials. (See 7 CFR part 3015, subpart V, and final rule related notice published at 48 FR 29114, June 24, 1983.)

This notice imposes no new reporting or recordkeeping provisions that are subject to Office of Management and Budget review in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507). This action is not a rule as defined by the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601–612) and thus is exempt from the provisions of that Act. This notice was reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget under Executive Order 12866.

National Average Minimum Value of Donated Foods for the Period July 1, 2008 Through June 30, 2009

This notice implements mandatory provisions of sections 6(c) and 17(h)(1)(B) of the National School Lunch Act (the Act) (42 U.S.C. 1755(c) and 1766(h)(1)(B)). Section 6(c)(1)(A) of the Act establishes the national average value of donated food assistance to be given to States for each lunch served in the NSLP at 11.00 cents per meal. Pursuant to section 6(c)(1)(B), this amount is subject to annual adjustments on July 1 of each year to reflect changes in a three-month average value of the Price Index for Foods Used in Schools and Institutions for March, April, and May each year (Price Index). Section 17(h)(1)(B) of the Act provides that the same value of donated foods (or cash in lieu of donated foods) for school lunches shall also be established for lunches and suppers served in the CACFP. Notice is hereby given that the national average minimum value of