

INTRODUCTION

2002 Commodity Acceptability Report

Food Distribution Programs

Here are the results of the Commodity Acceptability Progress (CAP) report surveys received from State Distributing Agencies for FY/SY 2002. The CAP report has been forwarded electronically to region offices so they can send it to their States.

Federal legislation and regulations require State distributing agencies (SDA) and Indian Tribal Organizations (ITO) to collect data and submit the Commodity Acceptability Progress (CAP) Report for the following programs to the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) Food Distribution Division (FDD) every two years.

- Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)
- Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)
- National School Lunch Program
- Nutrition Services Incentive Program (NSIP)
- Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

The report provides commodity recipients and recipient agencies (RA) the opportunity to communicate their comments and recommendations to FNS. SDAs and ITOs are required to indicate the commodities that are most and least acceptable and recommend new products their program participants would like to receive. Evaluation of the data is done by FNS' Food Distribution Division (FDD). The evaluation is intended to provide an overall assessment and analysis of the opinions expressed by SDAs, ITOs, and RAs.

Foods available lists are posted on the FNS website at the following address: http://www.fns.usda.gov/fdd/foods_avail/fd_avail.htm - click on your program of interest. For