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A NOTE ABOUT EXHIBITS

As can be seen, some exhibits include a footnote regarding the number of respondents that answered “Don’t Know” to specific questions. A response of “Don’t Know” is considered a valid response and cannot be combined with the number of item nonresponses. However, as with item nonresponses, if a high percentage of responses are “Don’t Know,” the findings might be biased. Since there are at least some “Don’t Know” responses to multiple survey items, the number or percentage of responses that were “Don’t Know” are not reported for each relevant analysis. Kokopelli agreed to exclude “Don’t Know” from the distributions presented in the report but include a footnote with the number and percentage of “Don’t Know” on exhibits in which they account for at least 25 percent of all valid responses.

In cases where respondents could select more than one response but there was no “introductory question” (e.g., “What are the benefits of participating in the CACFP?”), the appropriate denominator was calculated to account for double-counting respondents. In these cases, the denominator was calculated as follows:

1. The values included in columns that represent possible responses to the question are summed across all pertinent columns.
2. Next, the sum is recoded as 1 (at least one option was selected) or 0 (no options were selected).
3. Last, the variable that includes the summed values that were changed to 1s or 0s is analyzed in the same manner as the potential responses were, to calculate the total weighted count (i.e., “Total Sponsors”) and associated unweighted count (i.e., “Total Unweighted Sample”).

For each response, then a variable that sums the values across those columns was created. The values in this new variable are changed to 0s or 1s to address the fact that the column options are not mutually exclusive and ensure respondents are not counted more than once. This variable is then analyzed in the same manner as the other potential response variables. For these cases, the variable representing the denominator is included in the codebook as is the code for determining the actual unduplicated counts.

Lastly, abbreviations are used throughout the tables; Volume I includes a list of all abbreviations used throughout the report.

Chapter 1: Characteristics of CACFP Sponsors

Exhibit 1.1: Distribution of Sponsors by Type of Sponsored Organizations^a

	Child Care Centers ^b	Head Start Centers	Family Day Care Homes	Total Sponsors
Total Weighted Sample	3,018	1,205	775	4,998
Total Unweighted Sample	179	272	385	836

^a Sponsors often sponsor more than one type of child care organization. As such, this an estimated breakdown of primary organization type for analysis purposes

^bExcludes independent child care centers.

Research Question 1: How long have sponsoring organizations been sponsoring child centers care centers and/or FDCHs for the CACFP?

Exhibit 1.2: Distribution of Sponsors by Number of Years Their Organizations Have Been CACFP Sponsors

Number of Years as a CACFP Sponsor	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
2 Years or fewer	7	0.4%	22	5.4%	5	0.8%	33	1.2%
3-5 Years	330	18.3%	27	6.5%	14	2.5%	370	13.4%
6 - 10 Years	522	28.9%	18	4.5%	17	3.1%	557	20.2%
11 – 20 Years	547	30.3%	157	38.3%	71	12.9%	775	28.1%
21 – 30 Years	260	14.4%	61	14.9%	211	38.4%	532	19.2%
Over 30 Years	139	7.7%	124	30.3%	232	42.2%	495	17.9%
Total Sponsors	1805	100.0%	409	100.0%	550	100.0%	2,762	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^a	90		99		273		462	

^a The total unweighted sample includes 836 sponsors, of which 374 (unweighted) / 2,032 (weighted) respondents (44.7%) answered “Don’t Know” (DK).

Research Question 2: How many sites (outlets) do organizations sponsor?

Exhibit 1.3: Distribution of Sponsors by the Number of Sites^a They Support

Number of Sites Sponsored	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
10 or fewer	2,790	94.6%	798	75.4%	106	14.7%	3,694	78.1%
11-25	115	3.9%	214	20.2%	83	11.5%	412	8.7%
26-50	28	0.9%	25	2.4%	114	15.9%	167	3.5%
51-100	12	0.4%	20	1.9%	142	19.7%	173	3.7%
101-200	5	0.2%	1	0.1%	137	19.0%	143	3.0%
201-500	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	111	15.4%	111	2.3%
More than 500	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	28	3.9%	28	0.6%
Total Sponsors	2,950	100.0%	1,058	100.0%	720	100.0%	4,728	100.0%
Mean (95% CI)	3.96 (± 0.97)		9.05 (± 1.67)		130.12 (± 26.24)		24.24 (± 6.60)	
Std. Error	0.48		0.83		12.96		3.26	
Total Unweighted Sample	172		244		354		770	

^a Throughout this volume, sites, centers, providers, and outlets are used interchangeably.

Research Question 3: What types of centers do center sponsors sponsor?

Exhibit 1.4: Distribution of Center Sponsors by the Types of Centers They Sponsor

Types of Centers Sponsored	Type of Sponsor					
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a
Regular Non-Profit Centers	1,654	33.4%	163	64.7%	1,816	35.0%
Outside-of-school hours centers	1,355	27.4%	45	17.7%	1,400	26.9%
For-Profit (Title XX) Centers	1,341	27.1%	19	7.6%	1,360	26.2%
At-risk after-school centers	298	6.0%	11	4.3%	308	5.9%
Emergency shelters	89	1.8%	0	0.0%	89	1.7%
Adult Care Centers	208	4.2%	14	5.7%	222	4.3%
Total Sponsors	4,944	100.0%	251	100.0%	5,195	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	179		53		232	

Research Question 4: *What configurations of sites (outlets) do sponsoring agencies sponsor?*

Exhibit 1.5: Distribution of CACFP Sponsors by the Configuration of Sites Sponsored^a

Percent of Sponsors by Configuration of Types of Sites	Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent
Child Care Centers Only	2,926	60.1%
Head Start Centers Only	912	18.8%
Family Day Care Homes Only	602	12.4%
Child Care and Head Start Centers	305	6.3%
Child Care Centers and Family Day Care Homes	82	1.7%
Head Start Centers and Family Day Care Homes	14	0.3%
Child Care Centers, Head Start Centers, and Family Day Care Homes	18	0.4%
Total Sponsors	4,860	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	3,030	

^a Excludes independent child care centers and At-Risk centers.

Research Question 5: *What types of agencies sponsor child care sites for the CACFP?*

Exhibit 1.6: Distribution of Sponsors by Private Non-profit, Private For-profit, or Public Agency

Agency Status	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Private Non-profit Organization	1,432	47.7%	925	77.4%	661	86.9%	3,018	60.9%
Private For-profit Organization	1,201	40.0%	2	0.2%	0	0.0%	12,03	24.3%
Public Agency, School, or School District	369	12.3%	268	22.4%	99	13.1%	737	14.9%
Total Sponsors	3,002	100.0%	1,196	100.0%	760	100.0%	4,958	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	178		270		379		827	

Exhibit 1.7: Distribution of Sponsors by Type of Agency								
Type of Agency	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Child care agency	2,059	69.3%	11	0.9%	178	23.6%	2,248	45.7%
Social service agency	102	3.4%	71	5.9%	158	20.9%	331	6.7%
School	146	4.9%	44	3.7%	0	0.0%	189	3.8%
YMCA or YWCA	152	5.1%	3	0.3%	0	0.0%	155	3.2%
Local education agency	86	2.9%	26	2.2%	14	1.9%	126	2.6%
U.S. Military	24	0.8%	0	0.0%	89	11.8%	113	2.3%
Religious organization	68	2.3%	5	0.4%	8	1.1%	81	1.6%
College or university	21	0.7%	20	1.7%	17	2.3%	57	1.2%
Charitable organization	2	0.1%	4	0.3%	38	5.0%	44	0.9%
Tribal organization	0	0.0%	15	1.3%	0	0.0%	15	0.3%
Head Start grantee, delegate agency, or administering agency			922	77.2%				
Other ^b	283	9.5%	73	6.1%	241	31.9%	598	12.2%
Total Sponsors	2,971	100.0%	1,194	100.0%	755	100.0%	4,919	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	178		270		379		827	

^aDetail may not sum due to rounding.

^bOther includes community action centers, child care resource and referral agencies, family service agencies, early learning centers/preschools, etc.

Research Question 6: In addition to CACFP, what other USDA food and nutrition assistance programs do the sponsoring organizations participate?

Exhibit 1.8: Distribution of CACFP Sponsors by Participation in Other USDA Food and Nutrition Service Programs								
USDA Food and Nutrition Service Programs	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a
Summer Food Service Program	178	53.1%	99	41.6%	32	28.3%	309	45.0%
National School Lunch Program	137	40.9%	82	34.5%	10	8.8%	229	33.4%
USDA Foods Program ^{d,e}	93	27.8%	61	25.6%	22	19.5%	176	25.7%
School Breakfast Program	104	31.0%	60	25.2%	2	1.8%	166	24.2%
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program	71	21.2%	52	21.8%	3	2.7%	126	18.4%
SNAP	37	11.0%	13	5.5%	18	15.9%	68	9.9%
Special Milk Program	19	5.7%	5	2.1%	1	0.9%	25	3.6%
The Emergency Food Assistance Program	12	3.6%	8	3.4%	6	5.3%	26	3.8%
Other ^b	58	17.3%	37	15.5%	28	24.8%	123	17.9%
Total Sponsors^d	335	100.0%	238	100.0%	113	100.0%	686	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	29		53		63		145	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^bOther includes Meals on Wheels, Eat Well Play Hard, after school programs, etc.

^dIncludes only those who indicated that they participate in other USDA Food and Nutrition Service Programs.

^eIn the survey, this option was worded as "USDA Commodities."

Exhibit 1.9: Distribution of CACFP Center Sponsors by Participation in Other USDA Food and Nutrition Service Programs and Number of Centers Sponsored^a										
USDA Food and Nutrition Service Programs	Number of Centers Sponsored									
	1 -5		6 -10		11 - 20		More than 20		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent^b	Wtd. n	Percent^b	Wtd. n	Percent^b	Wtd. n	Percent^b	Wtd. n	Percent^b
Summer Food Service Program	122	23.7%	14	41.4%	16	11.9%	19	23.6%	171	22.4%
National School Lunch Program	87	16.9%	0	0.0%	21	15.5%	16	19.8%	124	16.3%
USDA Foods Program^d	75	14.5%	0	0.0%	16	11.9%	3	3.1%	93	12.2%
School Breakfast Program	63	12.3%	0	0.0%	21	15.5%	8	9.4%	92	12.0%
Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Program	46	9.0%	0	0.0%	16	11.9%	9	10.9%	71	9.3%
Commodity Supplemental Food Program	41	7.9%	0	0.0%	16	11.9%	0	0.0%	56	7.4%
SNAP Education	19	3.7%	0	0.0%	9	7.0%	8	10.4%	37	4.8%
Special Milk Program	0	0.0%	14	41.4%	0	0.0%	5	5.8%	19	2.5%
The Emergency Food Assistance Program	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	7.0%	3	3.1%	12	1.6%
Other^c	47	9.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	12	14.3%	58	7.7%
Total Sponsors	516	100.0%	34	100.0%	133	100.0%	81	100.0%	763	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	32		3		17		21		73	

^a Only includes center sponsors that participate in other USDA programs.

^b Detail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^c Other includes such things as Meals on Wheels, Eat Well Play Hard, Senior Nutrition Program, after school programs, etc.

^d On the survey sent to the respondents, this option was worded as "USDA Commodities."

Exhibit 1.10: Distribution of CACFP Family Day Care Home Sponsors by Participation in Other USDA Food and Nutrition Service Programs and Number of FDCHs Sponsored^a

USDA Food and Nutrition Service Programs	Number of FDCHs Sponsored									
	1 - 50		51 - 100		101 - 200		Greater than 201		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Summer Food Service Program	15	28.3%	10	31.3%	4	20.0%	1	12.5%	30	26.5%
USDA Foods Program ^c	18	34.0%	1	3.1%	3	15.0%	0	0.0%	22	19.5%
SNAP Education	6	11.3%	6	18.8%	3	15.0%	1	12.5%	16	14.2%
National School Lunch Program	4	7.5%	1	3.1%	4	20.0%	0	0.0%	9	8.0%
The Emergency Food Assistance Program	0	0.0%	4	12.5%	3	15.0%	0	0.0%	7	6.2%
Commodity Supplemental Food Program	2	3.8%	2	6.3%	1	5.0%	0	0.0%	5	4.4%
Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Program	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	15.0%	0	0.0%	3	2.7%
School Breakfast Program	0	0.0%	1	3.1%	1	5.0%	0	0.0%	2	1.8%
Special Milk Program	1	1.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.9%
Summer Food Service Program	15	28.3%	10	31.3%	4	20.0%	1	12.5%	30	26.5%
Total Sponsors	53	100.0%	32	100.0%	20	100.0%	8	100.0%	113	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	25		19		10		7		61	

^a Only includes center sponsors that participate in other USDA programs.

^b Other includes such things as Meals on Wheels, Eat Well Play Hard, Senior Nutrition Program, etc.

^c In the survey sent to the respondents, this option was worded as "USDA Commodities."

Research Question 7: Do CACFP sponsors manage providers in programs other than the CACFP? In what other non-USDA food and nutrition assistance programs do the sponsoring organizations participate?

Exhibit 1.11: Distribution of CACFP Sponsors by Type of Non-USDA Funded Services Administered or Provided								
Non-USDA Programs	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent^a	Wtd. n	Percent^a	Wtd. n	Percent^a	Wtd. n	Percent^a
Child care staff training and professional development	753	49.5%	378	57.5%	315	71.6%	1,446	55.2%
Child care subsidies	1,039	68.3%	164	25.0%	194	44.1%	1,397	53.4%
Parent support and education	467	30.7%	475	72.3%	235	53.4%	1,176	44.9%
Nutrition and/or health education	349	22.9%	432	65.8%	228	51.8%	1,009	38.5%
Home visitation	159	10.5%	466	70.9%	205	46.6%	829	31.7%
Technical assistance^c	208	13.7%	278	42.3%	261	59.3%	747	28.5%
Outside school hours program	498	32.7%	95	14.5%	98	22.3%	691	26.4%
Early intervention services	341	22.4%	232	35.3%	91	20.7%	664	25.4%
Child care location services	94	6.2%	65	9.9%	174	39.5%	332	12.7%
Food pantry or soup kitchen	96	6.3%	127	19.3%	56	12.7%	279	10.7%
Community recreation program	173	11.4%	31	4.7%	27	6.1%	231	8.8%
Adult day care program^e	51	3.4%	27	4.1%	17	3.9%	96	3.7%
Domestic violence shelter	43	2.8%	19	2.9%	16	3.6%	77	2.9%
Other^b	250	16.4%	121	18.4%	109	24.8%	481	18.4%
Total Sponsors^d	1,521	100.0%	657	100.0%	440	100.0%	2,618	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	91		153		232		476	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^bOther includes weatherization programs, domestic violence programs, transportation services, youth employment services, and more.

^cIn the survey sent to the respondents, this option was worded as "Technical assistance/Coaching/Mentoring".

^dIncludes only those who indicated that they provide or administer non-USDA funded services.

^eIt is possible that the adult day care programs included here could be administered by the USDA under CACFP.

Exhibit 1.12: Distribution of Sponsors by Type of Non-USDA Funded Services Administered or Provided and Number of Centers Sponsored

Non-USDA Programs	Number of Centers Sponsored ^a									
	1 -5		6 -10		11 - 20		More than 20		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^{b,c}
Child care subsidies	940	24.7%	53	19.2%	13	6.9%	12	11.1%	1,019	23.3%
Child care staff training and professional development	665	17.5%	26	9.3%	30	15.7%	20	19.2%	741	16.9%
Outside school hours program	444	11.7%	32	11.4%	0	0.0%	2	2.1%	478	10.9%
Parent support and education	372	9.8%	26	9.3%	39	20.5%	17	16.8%	455	10.4%
Early intervention services	303	8.0%	18	6.3%	9	4.9%	0	0.0%	329	7.5%
Nutrition and/or health education	261	6.9%	26	9.3%	25	13.1%	6	5.9%	318	7.3%
Technical assistance ^e	134	3.5%	26	9.3%	27	14.3%	9	8.7%	196	4.5%
Community recreation program	147	3.9%	14	5.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	161	3.7%
Home visitation	96	2.5%	12	4.3%	26	13.6%	13	12.3%	147	3.4%
Food pantry or soup kitchen	79	2.1%	0	0.0%	9	4.9%	8	7.5%	96	2.2%
Child care location services	85	2.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	8.7%	94	2.1%
Adult day care program ^f	51	1.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	51	1.2%
Domestic violence shelter	22	0.6%	16	5.9%	0	0.0%	5	4.5%	43	1.0%
Other ^d	205	5.4%	30	10.8%	12	6.2%	3	2.8%	250	5.7%
Total Sponsors^b	3,804	100.0%	278	100.1%	192	100.2%	104	99.7%	4,379	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	196		24		19		20		259	

^aIncludes only Child Care Centers and Head Start Centers.

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cIncludes only center sponsors that administer or provide non-USDA services.

^dOther includes weatherization programs, domestic violence programs, transportation services, youth employment services, etc.

^eThe survey question asked about "Technical assistance/ Coaching/Mentoring for quality improvement."

^fIt is possible that the adult day care programs included here could be administered by the USDA under CACFP.

Exhibit 1.13: Distribution of Family Day Care Home Sponsors by Type of Non-USDA Funded Services Administered or Provided and Number of Homes They Sponsor

Non-USDA Programs	Number of FDCHs Sponsored									
	1 - 50		51 - 100		101 - 200		Greater than 200		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^{a,b}
Child care staff training and professional development	157	17.1%	68	15.2%	44	14.2%	35	15.9%	304	16.0%
Technical assistance ^d	108	11.8%	63	14.2%	40	12.8%	29	13.5%	241	12.7%
Parent support and education	88	9.6%	48	10.8%	46	14.8%	30	13.9%	213	11.3%
Nutrition and/or health education	104	11.3%	44	9.9%	39	12.4%	19	8.7%	206	10.9%
Child care subsidies	109	11.8%	42	9.5%	15	4.8%	23	10.4%	189	10.0%
Home visiting	90	9.9%	46	10.3%	33	10.4%	17	7.9%	187	9.9%
Child care location services	70	7.6%	33	7.3%	31	9.7%	32	14.8%	165	8.7%
Outside school hours program	55	6.0%	21	4.8%	16	5.1%	6	2.8%	98	5.2%
Early intervention services	37	4.1%	14	3.2%	16	5.0%	14	6.3%	81	4.3%
Food pantry or soup kitchen	10	1.1%	24	5.4%	11	3.6%	1	0.5%	47	2.5%
Community recreation program	19	2.0%	5	1.2%	2	0.7%	1	0.5%	27	1.4%
Adult day care program ^e	3	0.4%	5	1.2%	4	1.3%	4	2.0%	17	0.9%
Domestic violence shelter	10	1.1%	2	0.5%	2	0.7%	1	0.5%	16	0.8%
Other ^c	56	6.2%	29	6.5%	14	4.5%	5	2.1%	104	5.5%
Total Sponsors	916	100.0%	446	100.0%	314	100.0%	219	100.0%	1,893	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	92		57		27		30		206	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^bIncludes only FDCH sponsors that administer or provide non-USDA services

^cOther includes weatherization programs, domestic violence programs, transportation services, youth employment services, etc.

^dThe survey question asked about "Technical assistance/ Coaching/Mentoring for quality improvement."

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Research Question 8: What is the geographic area served by CACFP Sponsors?

Exhibit 1.14: Distribution of Sponsors by Geographic Area Served

Geographic Area	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Part of a town or city	1,437	48.0%	147	12.5%	50	6.5%	1,634	33.1%
Multiple counties	277	9.3%	466	39.5%	426	55.7%	1,169	23.7%
One or more towns but not a county	768	25.7%	256	21.7%	70	9.2%	1,095	22.2%
County	269	9.0%	206	17.4%	76	9.9%	551	11.2%
State	96	3.2%	5	0.4%	88	11.4%	188	3.8%
Other ^a	144	4.8%	99	8.4%	55	7.1%	298	6.0%
Total Sponsors	2,992	100.0%	1,179	100.0%	765	100.0%	4,936	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	178		267		380		825	

^aOther includes military bases, tribal reservations, dual-State areas, etc.

Research Question 9: For Center Sponsors: Excluding meal reimbursements passed through to providers, what proportion of sponsors' revenue is derived from funds retained from center CACFP meal reimbursements?

Exhibit 1.15: Distribution of Sponsors by Whether They Retain Any Meal Reimbursements to Offset the Cost of Administering the CACFP for Their Providers^a

Whether Sponsors Retain Any Meal Reimbursements	Type of Sponsor					
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Do not retain any meal reimbursements	2,248	79.3%	869	83.6%	3,117	79.8%
Retain meal reimbursements	586	20.7%	171	16.4%	757	20.2%
Total Sponsors	2,834	100.0%	1,040	100.0%	3,873	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	169		240		409	

^a There is no provision for reimbursing center sponsors for their administrative costs. However, CACFP regulations permit center sponsors to retain up to 15 percent of their centers' meal reimbursements to cover their administrative costs (7CFR226.16(b)(1)).

^b Family day care home sponsors are reimbursed based on the number of homes claimed for meal reimbursements.

Exhibit 1.16: Distribution of Center Sponsors by the Percentage of Meal Reimbursements Retained^a

Percentage of Meal Reimbursements Retained	Type of Sponsor					
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Do not retain meal reimbursements	2,248	79.7%	869	87.1%	3,117	81.6%
Less than or equal to 5%	168	6.0%	54	5.4%	222	5.8%
6% - 10%	136	4.8%	18	1.8%	153	4.0%
11% - 15%	171	6.1%	34	3.4%	205	5.4%
Greater than 15%	99	3.5%	23	2.3%	122	3.2%
Total Sponsors	2,822	100.0%	998	100.0%	3,819	100.0%
Mean (95% CI)	13.22% (±13.39%)		11.90% (±10.98%)		12.98% (±10.98%)	
Std. Error	3.19%		2.61%		2.61%	
Total Unweighted Sample	179		272		451	

^a There is no provision to reimburse center sponsors for administrative costs. However, CACFP regulations permit center sponsors to retain up to 15 percent of their centers' meal reimbursements to cover administrative costs (7CFR226.16(b)(1)).

Research Question 10: For FDCH Sponsors: What are the effective administrative reimbursement rates?

Exhibit 1.17: Distribution of Family Day Care Home Sponsors by Rate Received in October 2014 Per Site for CACFP Reimbursable Meals and Snacks

Rate Per Site for FDCH Sponsors	Wtd. n	Percent
\$57.00 - \$57.99	0	0.0%
\$58.00 - \$65.99	1	0.2%
\$66.00 - \$85.99	98	17.2%
\$86.00 - \$109.00	472	82.7%
Total Sponsors	571	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	\$95.79 ($\pm$\$2.42)	
Std. Error	\$1.16	
Total Unweighted Sample	270	

^aFamily day care home sponsors are reimbursed based on the number of homes claimed for meal reimbursements (i.e., active homes). The effective monthly reimbursement rate is equal to (Total Monthly Administrative Reimbursement) / (Total Number of Active FDCHs).

Research Question 11: What percentage of sponsors' revenue is derived from other (non-CACFP) sources of income or do sponsors rely solely on CACFP administrative reimbursements (FDCH sponsors) or money retained from meal reimbursements (center sponsors) for their support?

Exhibit 1.18: Distribution of Sponsors by the Percentage of Their Total Funding for Administrative Functions from CACFP Administrative Reimbursements (FDCH Sponsors) or Money Retained from CACFP Meal Reimbursements (Center Sponsors)

Percentage of Total Funding	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Less than 20%	474	82.7%	109	84.5%	212	34.1%	795	60.0%
20% – 39%	65	11.3%	15	11.6%	25	4.0%	104	7.8%
40% – 59%	27	4.7%	3	2.3%	27	4.3%	58	4.4%
60% - 79%	0	0.0%	2	1.6%	4	0.6%	7	0.5%
80% - 89%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.2%	1	0.1%
90% - 99%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	39	6.3%	39	2.9%
100%	7	1.2%	0	0.0%	314	50.5%	321	24.2%
Total Sponsors	573	100.0%	129	100.0%	622	100.0%	1325	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^a	35		35		296		366	

^a The number of Sponsors who indicated that they retained funds was as follows: 586 (Child Care Centers) and 171 (Head Start Centers) as shown in Exhibit 1.15, and 45 (Family Day Care Homes). Yet, more FDCH providers indicated the percentage of their total funding that was retained (N = 671).

Research Question 12: What services do sponsors receive from their State CACFP Agency?

Exhibit 1.19: Distribution of Sponsors by Topics Covered in Training from State CACFP Agency

Training Topics	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a
CACFP meal requirements	1,946	90.1%	834	88.3%	545	84.2%	3,325	88.6%
USDA civil rights requirements	1,808	83.7%	769	81.4%	503	77.7%	3,081	82.1%
CACFP monitoring requirements	1,676	77.6%	790	83.6%	529	81.8%	2,996	79.8%
CACFP administrative requirements	1,585	73.3%	734	77.7%	502	77.6%	2,822	75.2%
Menu planning	1,683	77.9%	683	72.3%	332	51.3%	2,698	71.9%
FDCH tiering rules					397	61.4%	397	10.6%
Preparing and filing monthly reimbursement claims	1,444	66.8%	651	68.9%	325	50.2%	2,421	64.5%
Nutrition	1,265	58.5%	546	57.8%	382	59.0%	2,193	58.4%
Food purchasing	1,305	60.4%	553	58.5%	156	24.1%	2,014	53.7%
Food safety/food service operations	1,257	58.2%	450	47.6%	229	35.4%	1,937	51.6%
Serious deficiencies	937	43.4%	413	43.7%	503	77.7%	1,853	49.4%
Food preparation	1,169	54.1%	439	46.5%	190	29.4%	1,798	47.9%
Maintaining confidentiality	1,064	49.2%	464	49.1%	234	36.2%	1,762	46.9%
Administrative reimbursement	1,008	46.6%	412	43.6%	326	50.4%	1,747	46.5%
Child care center applications	1,380	63.9%	157	16.6%	51	7.9%	1,589	42.3%
Family/child income eligibility	1,217	56.3%	172	18.2%	42	6.5%	1,431	38.1%
Physical activity in child care	667	30.9%	320	33.9%	180	27.8%	1,166	31.1%
Obesity prevention	601	27.8%	280	29.6%	144	22.3%	1,024	27.3%
Best practices in child care	527	24.4%	242	25.6%	215	33.2%	984	26.2%
For-profit center eligibility	717	33.2%	44	4.7%	13	2.0%	773	20.6%
Staff wellness	240	11.1%	190	20.1%	92	14.2%	629	16.8%
Recognizing abuse and neglect	259	12.0%	149	15.8%	77	11.9%	486	12.9%
Parent relations	240	11.1%	157	16.6%	85	13.1%	482	12.8%
Head Start categorical eligibility			358	37.9%			358	9.5%
Provider applications	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	277	42.8%	277	7.4%
Other ^b	144	6.7%	71	7.5%	88	13.6%	303	8.1%
Total Sponsors^c	2,161	100.0%	945	100.0%	647	100.0%	3,753	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	133		210		314		657	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^bOther includes bookkeeping, breastfeeding, meal crediting, nutrition, allergies, etc.

^cIncludes only those who indicated that they received training from their State CACFP Agency.

Research Question 13: *What support services not now provided by the State CACFP Agency would sponsors like to receive?*

Exhibit 1.20: Distribution of Sponsors by Topics of Training or Technical Assistance They Would Like to Receive from the State CACFP Agency

Desired Training or Technical Assistance	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a
Do not wish to receive additional services from State CACFP agency	1,982	67.2%	647	53.9%	377	49.3%	3,006	61.1%
Menu planning/sample menus	678	65.5%	296	53.4%	23	5.9%	998	50.4%
Staff training	504	48.7%	277	50.0%	24	6.2%	805	40.7%
Training CACFP sites	343	33.1%	216	39.0%	25	6.4%	584	29.5%
Budgeting	297	28.7%	178	32.1%	25	6.4%	500	25.3%
Computer support	296	28.6%	113	20.4%	8	2.1%	417	21.1%
Networking with other sponsors in the State	157	15.2%	176	31.8%	13	3.3%	345	17.4%
Food vendor contracts	163	15.7%	122	22.0%	7	1.8%	292	14.8%
Recruitment and retention of CACFP sites	84	8.1%	0	0.0%	30	7.7%	114	5.8%
Other ^b	132	12.8%	136	24.5%	7	1.8%	275	13.9%
Total Sponsors	1,035	100.0%	554	100.0%	390	100.0%	1,979	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^c	63		128		210		401	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^bOther includes nutrition, food preparation, food allergies, meal modifications/substitutions, infant nutrition, regulations and compliance, etc.

^cThe total unweighted sample includes 828 sponsors, of which 430 respondents answered that they did not wish to receive additional services. A total of 166 of the remaining 398 sponsors did not indicate which services they wished to receive.

Research Question 14: *Do sponsors have automated accounting, meal claims and/or other systems to manage financial and administrative responsibilities? If so, what are the names/offerors of the systems used? If so, do sponsors use an automated system to check claims?*

Exhibit 1.21: Distribution of Sponsors by Use of Electronic Systems to Check CACFP Reimbursement Claims

Sponsor Use of Electronic Systems to Check CACFP Reimbursement Claims	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Use electronic systems	1,589	53.2%	942	78.5%	629	81.1%	3,160	63.7%
Do not use electronic systems	1,399	46.8%	257	21.5%	146	18.9%	1,803	36.3%
Total Sponsors	2,988	100.0%	1,199	100.0%	775	100.0%	4,962	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	177		270		385		832	

Exhibit 1.22: Distribution of Sponsors by Electronic Systems Used to Check CACFP Reimbursement Claims								
Type of Automated Accounting System Used for CACFP Reimbursement	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a
Do not use an electronic system	1,399	46.8%	257	21.4%	146	18.8%	1,803	36.3%
State agency-developed system	1,031	34.5%	654	54.5%	295	38.1%	1,979	39.9%
Vendor-developed system	282	9.4%	391	32.6%	441	56.9%	1,113	22.4%
System developed in-house	482	16.1%	202	16.8%	118	15.2%	802	16.2%
Total Sponsors ^b	2,988	100.0%	1,199	100.0%	775	100.0%	4,962	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	177		270		385		832	

Exhibit 1.23: Distribution of Sponsors by Use of Commercial Systems to Check CACFP Reimbursement Claims ^a								
Commercial System Used	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors ^c	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
Minute Menu	68	24.9%	0	0.0%	398	83.3%	466	39.8%
ChildPlus	13	4.8%	284	67.9%	2	0.5%	300	25.6%
Procure	59	21.6%	2	0.4%	13	2.8%	74	6.3%
Maggey Deluxe	17	6.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	17	1.5%
AccuTrack	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	1.9%	9	0.8%
Child Watch	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.4%	2	0.2%
Other ^d	116	42.4%	133	31.7%	53	11.1%	302	25.8%
Total Sponsors ^c	256	100.0%	388	100.0%	441	100.0%	1,113	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	20		93		202		315	

^aIncludes only sponsors that use a standard commercial (vendor-developed) system to check CACFP reimbursement claims (n = 1,113 based on Exhibit 1.22).

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^dOther includes CNIPS, WINS, EZCat-RiskE, iCAN, CIPS, etc.

Research Question 15: Do sponsors capture the primary reasons CACFP providers drop out of the Program?

Exhibit 1.24: Distribution of Center Sponsors by Whether They Collect Information to Determine Reasons Why Child Care Centers Leave the CACFP						
Information Collection to Determine Why Centers Leave the CACFP	Type of Sponsor					
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Do not collect information to determine why centers leave the CACFP	2,630	90.6%	173	94.9%	2,803	90.8%
Collect information to determine why centers leave the CACFP	274	9.4%	9	5.1%	283	9.2%
Total Sponsors	2,904	100.0%	182	100.0%	3,086	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	179		292		471	

Exhibit 1.25: Reasons that Sponsors Think Centers Leave The CACFP		
Reasons Why Centers are Thought to Leave The CACFP	Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^{a, b}
High paperwork burden	1,596	68.6%
Too few low-income children enrolled	871	37.4%
Low meal reimbursement rate	675	29.0%
Center lost its license	373	16.0%
Serious deficiency problems	310	13.3%
Difficulty complying with meal requirements	228	9.8%
Unannounced site monitoring visits	81	3.5%
Other ^c	176	7.6%
Total Sponsors	2,326	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	140	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^bRespondents could answer this question even if they indicated that they did not collect information on reasons why centers drop out.

^cOther includes lack of support, too much work overall, etc.

Exhibit 1.26: Reasons that Sponsors Think FDCHs Leave The CACFP		
Reasons Why FDCHs are Thought to Leave The CACFP	Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^{a, b}
FDCH closed	407	56.7%
High paperwork burden	316	44.0%
Low meal reimbursement rate	217	30.2%
Home lost license	74	10.3%
Too few low-income children enrolled	52	7.2%
Difficulty complying with meal requirement	31	4.3%
Unannounced site monitoring visits	0	0.0%
Serious deficiency problems	0	0.0%
Other ^c	195	27.2%
Total Sponsors	721	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	351	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^bRespondents could answer this question even if they indicated that they did not collect information on reasons why centers drop out.

^cOther includes illness, deployment, relocation, lack of children, low subsidies, retirement, lack of support, too much work, zoning problems, etc.

Research Question 16: How many employees do sponsors have? How many of these employees work on the CACFP?

Exhibit 1.27: Distribution of Child Care Center Sponsors by Number of Centers and Employees^a										
Total Employees	Number of Child Care Centers Sponsored								Total Sponsors	
	1-5		6-10		11-20		Greater than 20			
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
1-5	302	11.9%	48	28.8%	24	35.0%	2	3.6%	377	13.3%
6-10	377	14.8%	12	6.9%	0	0.0%	10	18.2%	399	14.0%
11-20	602	23.6%	11	6.9%	0	0.0%	11	20.0%	624	22.0%
Greater than 20	1,268	49.7%	96	57.6%	44	64.5%	31	56.4%	1,440	50.7%
Total Sponsors	2,549	100.0%	167	100.1%	69	99.4%	55	100.0%	2,839	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	126		14		10		13		163	

^aPart-time and full-time staff were counted equally.

Exhibit 1.28: Distribution of Head Start Center Sponsors by Number of Centers and CACFP Employees^a										
Number of CACFP Employees	Number of Head Start Centers Sponsored								Total Sponsors	
	1-5		6-10		11-20		Greater than 20			
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
1-5	85	17.4%	34	11.6%	29	15.4%	5	8.1%	153	14.8%
6-10	44	9.1%	31	10.8%	15	7.9%	3	4.9%	94	9.1%
11-20	14	2.9%	13	4.5%	0	0.0%	18	29.1%	46	4.4%
Greater than 20	347	70.7%	214	73.2%	144	76.8%	37	57.9%	742	71.7%
Total Sponsors	491	100.0%	292	100.0%	188	100.0%	63	100.0%	1,034	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	83		65		65		24		237	

^aPart-time and full-time staff were counted equally.

Exhibit 1.29: Distribution of Family Day Care Homes Sponsors by Number of Homes and CACFP Employees^a												
Number of CACFP Employees	Number of FDCHs Sponsored										Total Sponsors	
	1-50		51-100		101-200		201-500		More than 500			
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
1-5	152	50.3%	50	36.3%	77	56.5%	22	20.3%	0	0.0%	302	42.2%
6-10	22	7.3%	12	8.5%	13	9.6%	60	54.1%	9	32.4%	115	16.1%
11-20	20	6.5%	13	9.3%	12	8.5%	4	3.5%	8	28.5%	56	7.8%
Greater than 20	109	35.9%	63	45.8%	35	25.4%	24	22.1%	10	39.1%	242	33.8%
Total Sponsors	303	100.0%	138	100.0%	137	100.0%	111	100.0%	27	100.0%	716	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	148		78		60		47		18		351	

^aPart-time and full-time staff were counted equally.

Research Question 17: What is the percentage of sponsor staff that work on CACFP administrative functions?

Exhibit 1.30: Distribution of Child Care Center Sponsors by Number of Centers and Percentage of Employees Working on CACFP Administrative Functions^a

Percentage of Employees Working on CACFP Administrative Functions	Number of Child Care Centers Sponsored								Total Sponsors	
	1-5		6-10		11-20		Greater than 20			
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
20% or Fewer	1,066	43.2%	67	45.2%	18	23.1%	29	58.9%	1,180	43.0%
21% - 30%	432	17.5%	0	0.0%	20	25.4%	0	0.0%	452	16.5%
31% - 40%	223	9.0%	10	6.7%	12	15.3%	6	12.1%	251	9.1%
41% - 50%	130	5.3%	11	7.2%	5	6.2%	0	0.0%	146	5.3%
More than 50%	616	25.0%	60	40.9%	23	29.9%	14	29.1%	714	26.0%
Total Sponsors	2,467	100.0%	147	100.0%	78	100.0%	50	100.0%	2,742	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	121		12		10		11		154	

^aData are based on the percentage of sponsors' employees working on the CACFP on a regular basis. All sponsor employees that work on the CACFP are presumed to work on administrative functions.

Exhibit 1.31: Distribution of Head Start Center Sponsors by Number of Centers and Percentage of Employees Working on CACFP Administrative Functions^a

Percentage of Employees Working on CACFP Administrative Functions	Number of Head Start Centers Sponsored								Total Start Sponsors	
	1-5 Centers		6-10 Centers		11-20 Centers		Greater than 20 Centers			
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
20% or Fewer	259	58.1%	148	53.8%	93	52.6%	25	42.2%	525	54.9%
21% - 30%	21	4.6%	30	10.8%	21	12.0%	2	3.6%	74	7.7%
31% - 40%	15	3.4%	43	15.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	58	6.1%
41% - 50%	16	3.7%	17	6.0%	19	10.5%	0	0.0%	52	5.4%
More than 50%	135	30.2%	38	13.7%	44	24.8%	32	54.2%	248	25.9%
Total Sponsors	446	100.0%	275	100.0%	177	100.0%	58	100.0%	957	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	75		60		62		22		219	

^aData are based on the percentage of sponsors' employees working on the CACFP on a regular basis.

Exhibit 1.32: Distribution of FDCH Sponsors by Number of Homes and Percentage of Employees Who Work on Administrative Functions ^a												
Percentage of Employees Working on CACFP Administrative Functions	Number of FDCHs Sponsored										Total Sponsors	
	1-50		51-100		101-200		201-500		More than 500		Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent		
20% or Fewer	100	34.3%	51	41.0%	31	23.3%	18	16.2%	4	14.4%	203	29.7%
21% - 30%	14	4.7%	9	6.9%	1	0.8%	2	2.1%	1	4.3%	27	3.9%
31% - 40%	8	2.7%	10	7.7%	0	0.0%	3	3.0%	1	4.3%	22	3.2%
41% - 50%	22	7.6%	14	11.2%	11	8.3%	0	0.0%	1	4.3%	48	7.1%
More than 50%	147	50.7%	42	33.3%	89	67.6%	86	78.7%	19	72.6%	384	56.1%
Total Sponsors	291	100.0%	125	100.0%	132	100.0%	110	100.0%	27	100.0%	684	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	143		70		57		46		18		334	

^aData are based on the percentage of sponsors' employees working on the CACFP on a regular basis.

Research Question 18: What percentage of sponsor staff provide training to CACFP sites?

Exhibit 1.33: Distribution of Child Care Center Sponsors by Number of Centers and Percentage of Time Employees Spend Monthly on Monitoring and Training										
Percentage of Time Employees Spend on Monitoring and Training	Number of Child Care Centers Sponsored								Total Sponsors	
	1-5		6-10		11-20		More than 20		Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent		
Less than 10%	1,193	45.7%	51	28.4%	6	6.4%	6	14.5%	1,256	42.8%
10% - 25%	1,110	42.5%	66	37.3%	57	56.3%	13	32.4%	1,246	42.5%
26% - 50%	240	9.2%	49	27.8%	38	37.3%	8	20.8%	335	11.5%
51% - 75%	69	2.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	13	32.2%	82	2.8%
More than 75%	0	0.0%	12	6.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	12	0.4%
Total Sponsors	2,612	100.0%	178	100.0%	101	100.0%	40	100.0%	2,931	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	130		15		11		15		171	

Exhibit 1.34: Distribution of Head Start Center Sponsors by Number of Centers and Percentage of Time Employees Spend Monthly on Monitoring and Training										
Percentage of Time Employees Spend on Monitoring and Training	Number of Head Start Centers Sponsored								Total Sponsors	
	1-5		6-10		1-20		More than 20		Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent		
Less than 10%	193	38.3%	89	30.1%	30	14.2%	0	0.0%	312	29.5%
10% - 25%	207	41.2%	115	39.0%	134	62.5%	8	17.4%	464	43.9%
26% - 50%	76	15.1%	70	23.6%	40	18.6%	6	13.8%	192	18.2%
51% - 75%	16	3.3%	15	5.0%	9	4.2%	29	62.9%	69	6.5%
More than 75%	10	2.0%	7	2.2%	1	0.5%	3	6.0%	21	2.0%
Total Sponsors	502	100.0%	296	100.0%	214	100.0%	46	100.0%	1,058	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	86		66		68		24		244	

Exhibit 1.35: Distribution of Family Day Care Home Sponsors by Number of Homes and Percentage of Time Employees Spend Monthly on Monitoring and Training												
Percentage of Time Employees Spend on Monitoring and Training	Number of Family Day Care Homes Sponsored											
	1-50		51-100		101-200		201-500		More than 500		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Less than 10%	14	19.2%	3	10.2%	7	14.1%	3	0.5%	27	3.8%	54	3.8%
10% - 25%	25	33.4%	11	35.2%	16	32.6%	72	12.8%	124	17.2%	247	17.2%
26% - 50%	16	21.9%	6	18.3%	18	38.8%	265	46.9%	305	42.5%	611	42.5%
51% -75%	14	19.3%	9	29.2%	6	12.0%	165	29.2%	194	27.0%	388	27.0%
More than 75%	5	6.3%	2	7.1%	1	2.4%	60	10.6%	68	9.4%	136	9.4%
Total Sponsors	74	100.0%	32	100.0%	48	100.0%	565	100.0%	718	100.0%	1,436	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	148		80		59		47		19		353	

Exhibit 1.36: Distribution of Sponsors by Average Percentage of Time Employees Spend Monthly on Monitoring and Training									
Percentage of Time Employees Spend on Monitoring and Training	Type of Sponsor								
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors		
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Percent
Total Sponsors	3,013	99.8%	1,205	100.0%	772	99.6%	4,990	99.8%	
Mean (95% CI)	22.07% ($\pm 1.36\%$)		34.36% ($\pm 2.92\%$)		60.31% ($\pm 2.61\%$)		34.36% ($\pm 1.82\%$)		
Std. Error	0.67%		1.44%		1.29%		0.90%		
Total Unweighted Sample	178		272		383		833		

Research Question 19: What percentage of sponsor staff conduct site outreach?

Exhibit 1.37: Distribution of Child Care Center Sponsors by Number of Centers and Percentage of Time Employees Spend Monthly on Outreach										
Percentage of Time Employees Spend on Outreach	Number of Child Care Centers Sponsored									
	1-5		6-10		11-20		More than 20		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Less than 10%	2,207	87.2%	132	74.2%	82	81.6%	29	70.5%	2,450	86.0%
10% - 25%	199	7.9%	24	13.5%	9	9.2%	12	29.5%	244	8.6%
26% - 50%	38	1.5%	10	5.9%	9	9.3%	0	0.0%	57	2.0%
51% -75%	62	2.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	62	2.2%
More than 75%	24	0.9%	12	6.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	36	1.2%
Total Sponsors	2,530	100.0%	178	100.0%	101	100.0%	41	100.0%	2,849	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	127		15		11		15		168	

Exhibit 1.38: Distribution of Family Day Care Home Sponsors by Number of Homes and Percentage of Time Employees Spend Monthly on Outreach												
Percentage of Time Employees Spend on Outreach	Number of Family Day Care Homes Sponsored											
	1-50		51-100		101-200		201-500		More than 500		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Less than 10%	50	67.5%	24	75.6%	33	68.5%	380	67.3%	487	67.8%	974	67.8%
10% - 25%	20	27.2%	8	24.4%	15	31.5%	152	26.9%	195	27.2%	390	27.1%
26% - 50%	2	3.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	26	4.6%	28	3.9%	56	3.9%
51% -75%	2	2.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	0.6%	5	0.7%	11	0.8%
More than 75%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	0.6%	4	0.6%	8	0.6%
Total Sponsors	74	100.0%	32	100.0%	48	100.0%	565	100.0%	718	100.0%	1,437	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	148		80		59		47		19		353	

Exhibit 1.39: Distribution of Sponsors by Average Percentage of Time Employees Spend Monthly on Outreach									
Percentage of Time Employees Spend on Outreach	Type of Sponsor								
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors		
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Percent
Total Sponsors	2,931	97.1%	305	25.3%	772	99.6%	4,008	80.2%	
Mean (95% CI)	15.44% ($\pm 1.34\%$)		16.58% ($\pm 3.21\%$)		17.49% ($\pm 0.96\%$)		15.92% ($\pm 1.15\%$)		
Std. Error	0.66%		1.58%		0.47%		0.57%		
Total Unweighted Sample	175		68		383		626		

Research Question 20: *What percentage of sponsors have formally trained nutritionists on staff? Among those who do, what formal training do the nutritionists have?*

Exhibit 1.40: Distribution of Sponsors by Whether Staff have a Degree or Formal Training in Nutrition									
Staff with Formal Training in Nutrition	Type of Sponsor								
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors		
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Percent
Do not have any staff with a degree or formal training in nutrition	2,480	82.7%	491	41.0%	563	72.9%	3,535	71.1%	
Have one or more staff with a degree or formal training in nutrition	519	17.3%	708	59.1%	210	27.1%	1,437	28.9%	
Total Sponsors	2,999	100.0%	1,199	100.0%	773	100.0%	4,972	100.0%	
Total Unweighted Sample	178		271		384		833		

^aIn the survey, "a degree or formal training" was not defined.

Exhibit 1.41: Distribution of Sponsors by Whether Staff Are Registered Dietitians or Registered Dietician Nutritionists

Level of Formal Training	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Staff nutritionist is a registered dietitian (RD) or registered dietitian nutritionist (RDN)	203	43.9%	458	67.7%	39	20.4%	700	52.6%
Staff nutritionist is <i>not</i> a registered dietitian (RD) or registered dietitian nutritionist (RDN)	260	56.1%	218	32.3%	152	79.7%	631	47.4%
Total Sponsors	463	100.0%	676	100.0%	191	100.1%	1,331	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^a	35		161		99		295	

^aIncludes only sponsors who have people on staff with degrees /training in nutrition (n=1,437 based on Exhibit 1.38).

Research Question 21: What percentage of sponsors conduct monitoring, reviews, and trainings for CACFP sites in languages other than English if needed?

Exhibit 1.42: Percentage of Sponsors That Conduct Monitoring, Reviews, or Training in Any Languages Other Than English

	Type of Sponsored Site							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
No need to conduct monitoring, reviews, or training in any language other than English	2,811	93.9%	967	90.9%	478	65.5%	4,256	88.9%
Conduct monitoring, reviews, or training in a language other than English	133	4.5%	62	5.8%	217	29.8%	413	8.6%
Do not conduct monitoring, reviews or training in any language other than English	49	1.6%	34	3.2%	35	4.8%	118	2.5%
Total Sponsors	2,993	100.0%	1,063	100.0%	730	100.1%	4,787	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	177		254		378		809	

Research Question 22: For FDCH Sponsors: What percentage of FDCH sponsors provide in-service training to family day care providers? What topics are covered in this training?

Exhibit 1.43: Percentage of Family Day Care Home Sponsors That Provide Training to Providers

	Wtd. n	Percent
Training provided to FDCHs	719	99.1%
No training provided to FDCHs	7	0.9%
Total All FDCH Sponsors	726	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	350	

Exhibit 1.44: Topics Covered in Training to Family Day Care Home Providers^a		
Topics Covered	Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent^b
CACFP meal requirements	656	90.7%
Record keeping for CACFP	643	88.9%
Nutrition	566	78.3%
Claims and reimbursements	501	69.3%
Food safety/food service operations	496	68.6%
CACFP administrative requirements	459	63.5%
Food preparation	446	61.7%
Sponsor monitoring visits	378	52.3%
Physical activity for children	355	49.1%
Best practices in the child care feeding environment	301	41.6%
Food purchasing	274	37.9%
Family size and income data sheets	56	7.7%
Total Sponsors	716	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	348	

^aIncludes only FDCH sponsors that provide training to their staff (n=719 based on Exhibit 1.41).

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

Research Question 23: *For Center Sponsors: What topics are covered by center sponsors in in-service trainings for center staff?*

Exhibit 1.45: Percentage of Center Sponsors that Provide CACFP-Related Training to Their Providers						
Provision of annual training	Type of Sponsored Site					
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Provided annual training	2,160	72.0%	962	79.8%	3,122	74.2%
Did not provide annual training	842	28.0%	243	20.2%	1,084	25.8%
Total Sponsors	3,002	100.0%	1,205	100.0%	4,207	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	178		272		450	

Exhibit 1.46: Distribution of Sponsors by Center Staff Training Topics^a						
Center Staff Training Topics	Type of Sponsored Site					
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent^a	Wtd. n	Percent^a	Wtd. n	Percent^a
CACFP meal requirements	2,426	90.6%	954	94.6%	3,380	91.7%
CACFP recordkeeping requirements	2,348	87.6%	914	90.7%	3,262	88.5%
USDA civil rights requirements	2,080	77.6%	850	84.3%	2,930	79.5%
Food safety/food service operations	1,966	73.4%	851	84.4%	2,817	76.4%
Food preparation	1,806	67.4%	708	70.2%	2,514	68.2%
Menu planning	1,725	64.4%	604	59.9%	2,329	63.2%
Nutrition	1,500	56.0%	770	76.4%	2,270	61.6%
CACFP monitoring requirements	1,541	57.5%	715	70.9%	2,256	61.2%
Maintaining confidentiality	1,447	54.0%	547	54.3%	1,994	54.1%
Food purchasing	1,317	49.2%	513	50.9%	1,830	49.6%
Preparing and filing monthly reimbursement claims	1,048	39.1%	349	34.6%	1,397	37.9%
Physical activity in child care	865	32.3%	480	47.6%	1,345	36.5%
Family/child income eligibility	1,491	55.7%	67	6.6%	1,558	42.3%
Best practices in child care	986	36.8%	317	31.4%	1,303	35.3%
Recognizing abuse and neglect	847	31.6%	396	39.3%	1,243	33.7%
Defining serious deficiencies	578	21.6%	314	31.2%	892	24.2%
Obesity prevention	539	20.1%	412	40.9%	951	25.8%
Parent relations	609	22.7%	258	25.6%	867	23.5%
Staff wellness	464	17.3%	288	28.6%	752	20.4%
Appeals process for serious deficiencies	280	10.5%	120	11.9%	400	10.8%
Sponsor monitoring of FDCHs					0	0.0%
Categorical eligibility			337	33.4%	337	9.1%
Tiering					0	0.0%
Other^b	37	1.4%	44	4.4%	81	2.2%
Total Sponsors	2,679	100.0%	1,008	100.0%	3,687	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	156		234		390	

^aIncludes only sponsors that provide training to their staff (n=3,122 based on Exhibit 1.43).

Research Question 24: For Center Sponsors: What is the mode and frequency of in-service trainings for center staff provided by center sponsors?

Training Format	Type of Sponsor ^a					
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
In-person group classes or workshops	1,943	81.2%	851	86.7%	2,794	82.8%
One-on-one (individualized training)	281	11.7%	49	5.0%	330	9.8%
Web-based	89	3.7%	66	6.8%	155	4.6%
Self-Study	76	3.2%	11	1.1%	87	2.6%
Other ^b	5	0.2%	3	0.3%	8	0.2%
Total Sponsors	2,394	100.0%	981	100.0%	3,375	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	140		226		366	

^aIncludes only sponsors that provide training to their staff (n=3,122 based on Exhibit 1.43).

^bOther includes such things as by phone, by email, etc.

Frequency of Sponsor-Led CACFP Training ^b	Type of Sponsor ^a					
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
1x per year	676	25.3%	271	27.0%	947	25.8%
2x per year	743	27.8%	324	32.3%	1,067	29.1%
3x per year	568	21.3%	169	16.8%	737	20.1%
4x per year	387	14.5%	103	10.3%	490	13.4%
More than 4x per year	294	11.0%	135	13.5%	430	11.7%
Total Sponsors	2,668	100.0%	1,002	100.0%	3,670	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	155		233		388	

^aIncludes only sponsors that provide training to their staff (n=3,122 based on Exhibit 1.43).

^bQuestion was asked in 2015; data reflects 2014-2015.

Research Question 25: For FDCH Sponsors: What is the mode and frequency of trainings for FDCH sponsor staff provided by FDCH sponsors?

Format for Training	Wtd. n	Percent
In-person group classes or workshops	565	82.5%
One-on-one (individualized training)	48	7.0%
Web-based	27	3.9%
Self-Study	40	5.9%
Other ^b	4	0.6%
Total All FDCH Sponsors	685	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	279	

^aIncludes only FDCH sponsors that provide training to their staff (n=719 based on Exhibit 1.41).

^bOther includes such things as by phone, by email, etc.

Exhibit 1.50: Number of Times in the Past 12 Months FDCH Sponsors Provided CACFP Staff Training		
Frequency of Sponsor-Led CACFP Staff Training	Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent
1x per year	235	32.9%
2x per year	148	20.8%
3x per year	135	18.9%
4x per year	76	10.7%
More than 4x per year	119	16.7%
Total Sponsors	713	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	348	

^aIncludes only FDCH sponsors that provide training to their staff (n=719 based on Exhibit 1.41).

Research Question 26: For FDCH Sponsors: Do FDCH sponsors provide staff with training on how to assign tiering levels? What topics are covered in this training?

Exhibit 1.51: Distribution of Family Day Care Home Sponsors by Training Topics on Tiering Level Assignment^a		
Topics Covered	Wtd. n	Percent ^a
Obtaining and using school boundary data	534	74.3%
Informing new FDCHs about tiering	529	73.6%
Reviewing parents' income eligibility applications	527	73.3%
Obtaining and using census tract data	456	63.4%
Reviewing providers' income eligibility applications	197	27.4%
Other ^c	49	6.8%
Total Sponsors	719	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	358	

^aIncludes only FDCH sponsors that provide training to their staff (n=719 based on Exhibit 1.41).

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes such things as understanding requirements, eligibility qualifications, etc.

Research Question 27: What are the turnover rates for sponsor staff by function (e.g., monitoring, etc.)?

Exhibit 1.52: Distribution of Sponsors by Percentages of CACFP Staff Who Left^b								
Percentages of Regular CACFP Staff Who Left in 2014	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
10% or less	224	19.6%	133	25.6%	22	7.7%	379	19.5%
11% -15%	48	4.2%	54	10.4%	46	15.9%	147	7.6%
16% - 25%	233	20.5%	127	24.4%	81	28.4%	441	22.7%
26% - 50%	398	34.9%	173	33.2%	80	28.0%	651	33.4%
Greater than 50%	238	20.8%	34	6.4%	57	20.0%	329	16.9%
Total Sponsors ^a	1,140	100.0%	520	100.0%	287	100.0%	1,947	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	39.3% (±7.2%)		26.1% (±5.0%)		39.9% (±8.7%)		35.9% (±5.0%)	
Std. Error	3.6%		2.5%		4.3%		2.5%	
Total Unweighted Sample	75		120		129		324	

^aTotal of 3050 sponsors (weighted) / 512 (unweighted) or 62.2% indicated that they did not know staff turnover rates since spring 2014. Sponsors were unable to provide turnover information by administrative function.

^bQuestion asked in 2015 about staff who left in 2014.

Research Question 28: What is the frequency and duration of monitoring visits by sponsors?

Exhibit 1.53: Distribution of Sponsors by CACFP Monitoring Visits								
Number of Times Per Year Sponsors Usually Conduct CACFP Monitoring Visits	Type of Sponsored Center							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
0 per year	226	7.5%	9	0.9%	2	0.3%	237	4.9%
1 per year	199	6.6%	24	2.2%	1	0.2%	224	4.7%
2 per year	93	3.1%	75	6.9%	4	0.5%	171	3.6%
3 per year	1,632	54.5%	837	77.8%	597	82.0%	3,065	63.9%
4 per year	433	14.5%	60	5.6%	100	13.7%	592	12.4%
5 – 12 per year	355	11.9%	53	5.0%	24	3.4%	433	9.0%
More than 12 per year	56	1.9%	18	1.6%	0	0.0%	73	1.5%
Total Sponsors	2,993	100.0%	1,075	100.0%	727	100.0%	4,796	100.0%
Mean (95% CI)	3.7 (± 0.5)		3.6 (± 0.4)		3.3 (± 0.3)		3.7 (± 0.4)	
Std. Error	0.3		0.2		0.2		0.2	
Total Unweighted Sample	173		246		356		772	

Exhibit 1.54: Distribution of Sponsors by the Approximate Length of CACFP Monitoring Visit								
Approximate Total Minutes of an CACFP Monitoring Visit	Type of Sponsored Center							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors ^{a,b}	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
30 minutes or fewer	655	22.7%	185	17.3%	208	28.3%	1,047	22.4%
31 – 45 minutes	318	11.0%	98	9.1%	172	23.5%	587	12.5%
46 -60 minutes	900	31.1%	286	26.7%	235	32.2%	1,421	30.3%
61 – 90 minutes	280	9.7%	184	17.2%	68	9.3%	532	11.3%
91 – 120 minutes	520	18.0%	180	16.8%	40	5.4%	739	15.8%
Greater than 120 minutes	217	7.5%	138	12.9%	9	1.3%	364	7.8%
Total Sponsors	2,889	100.0%	1,071	100.0%	732	100.0%	4,691	100.0%
Mean (95% CI)	74.6 (± 6.7)		88.8 (± 10.0)		53.5 (± 4.5)		74.5 (± 7.0)	
Std. Error	4.0		5.9		2.6		3.5	
Total Unweighted Sample	167		245		358		770	

^aIncludes sponsors that indicated the length of their visits (N = 4,691 as shown) even though only 4,559 (see Exhibit 1.51) indicated how many visits they make per year.

^bExcludes independent child care centers.

Exhibit 1.55: Distribution of Child Care Center Sponsors by Length of Monitoring Visit and Number of Monitoring Visits												
Length of CACFP Monitoring Visit	Average Number of CACFP Monitoring Visits Per Year											
	1		2		3		4		5 or more		Total Sponsors ^{a,b}	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
30 minutes or fewer	13	7.4%	20	21.5%	201	12.6%	145	33.5%	136	33.1%	515	19.0%
31 – 45 minutes	0	0.0%	6	6.5%	233	14.6%	57	13.2%	22	5.4%	318	11.78
46 -60 minutes	91	52.0%	67	72.0%	509	31.9%	108	24.9%	124	30.2%	899	33.2%
61 – 90 minutes	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	181	11.4%	66	15.2%	33	8.0%	280	10.4%
91 – 120 minutes	60	34.3%	0	0.0%	319	20.0%	56	12.9%	85	20.7%	520	19.2%
Greater than 120 minutes	11	6.3%	0	0.0%	152	9.5%	0	0.0%	11	2.7%	174	6.4%
Total Sponsors	175	100.0%	93	100.0%	1594	100.0%	433	100.0%	411	100.0%	2,706	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	9		5		104		26		23		167	

^aIncludes only sponsors that conduct at least one monitoring visit (N = 2,993 based on Exhibit 1.51) and reported length of such visits (N = 2,889 based on Exhibit 1.52).

^bExcludes independent child care centers.

Exhibit 1.56: Distribution of Head Start Center Sponsors by Length of CACFP Monitoring Visit and Number of Monitoring Visits												
Length of CACFP Monitoring Visit	Average Number of CACFP Monitoring Visits Per Year											
	1		2		3		4		5 or more		Total Sponsors ^{a,b}	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
30 minutes or fewer	15	62.5%	26	34.7%	112	13.4%	5	8.5%	176	77.2%	334	27.4%
31 – 45 minutes	0	0.0%	8	10.7%	80	9.6%	0	0.0%	10	4.4%	98	8.0%
46 -60 minutes	7	29.2%	25	33.3%	203	24.4%	21	35.6%	30	13.2%	286	23.4%
61 – 90 minutes	0	0.0%	6	8.0%	174	20.9%	4	6.8%	0	0.0%	184	15.1%
91 – 120 minutes	0	0.0%	10	13.3%	144	17.3%	18	30.5%	7	3.1%	180	14.8%
Greater than 120 minutes	2	8.3%	0	0.0%	120	14.4%	11	18.6%	5	2.2%	138	11.3%
Total Sponsors	24	100.0%	75	100.0%	833	100.0%	59	100.0%	228	100.0%	1220	100.0%
Total unweighted Sample	4		14		195		15		17		245	

^aExcludes independent Head Start centers.

^bIncludes only sponsors that conduct at least one monitoring visit (N = 1,075 based on Exhibit 1.51) and reported length of such visits (N = 1,071 based on Exhibit 1.52).

Exhibit 1.57: Distribution of FDCH Sponsors by Length of CACFP Monitoring Visit and Number CACFP Monitoring Visits												
Length of CACFP Monitoring Visit	Average Number of CACFP Monitoring Visits Per Year											
	1		2		3		4		5 or more		Total Sponsors ^{a,b}	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
30 minutes or fewer	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	175	29.3%	25	25.0%	2	8.4%	203	28.0%
31 – 45 minutes	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	145	24.3%	21	21.0%	4	16.7%	170	23.4%
46 -60 minutes	0	0.0%	4	100.0%	175	29.3%	43	43.0%	14	58.3%	235	32.4%
61 – 90 minutes	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	60	10.1%	3	3.0%	3	12.5%	68	9.4%
91 – 120 minutes	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	33	5.5%	5	5.0%	1	4.2%	40	5.5%
Greater than 120 minutes	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	8	1.3%	1	1.0%	0	0.0%	9	1.2%
Total Sponsors	1	100.0%	4	100.0%	597	100.0%	100	100.0%	24	100.0%	725	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	1		3		295		50		7		356	

^aExcludes independent Head Start centers.

^bIncludes only sponsors that conduct at least one monitoring visit (N = 727 based on Exhibit 1.51) and reported length of such visits (N = 732 based on Exhibit 1.52).

Research Question 29: What are the primary program areas reviewed by sponsors during monitoring visits?

Exhibit 1.58: Distribution of Sponsors by Primary Enrollment-Related Areas Reviewed During Monitoring Visits								
Primary Enrollment-Related Areas Reviewed During Monitoring Visits	Type of Sponsored Center							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a
Current enrollment records	1,847	65.8%	555	52.3%	577	78.9%	2,979	64.8%
Follow health and safety guidelines	1,673	59.7%	615	57.9%	249	34.1%	2,538	55.2%
Attendance is less than or equal to licensed capacity	935	33.3%	276	25.9%	391	53.5%	1,602	34.8%
Current child care license	557	19.9%	252	23.7%	197	26.9%	1,006	21.9%
Total Sponsors	2,877	100.0%	1,076	100.0%	732	100.0%	4,681	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	174		247		359		780	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

Exhibit 1.59: Distribution of Sponsors by Primary Menu-Related Areas Reviewed During Monitoring Visits								
Primary Menu-Related Areas Reviewed During Monitoring Visits	Type of Sponsored Center							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a
Meal counts and menus are recorded daily	2,207	74.8%	792	73.6%	510	70.0%	3,509	73.8%
Existence and accuracy of daily attendance records	1,740	59.0%	602	55.9%	472	64.8%	2,814	59.2%
Menus for each meal claimed, including infant meals	657	22.3%	103	9.6%	233	31.9%	993	20.9%
Complete menu production records	650	22.0%	293	27.3%	45	6.2%	989	20.8%
5-day reconciliation	311	10.5%	135	12.5%	120	16.4%	565	11.9%
Number of meals claimed compared to licensed capacity	228	7.7%	103	9.5%	59	8.1%	390	8.2%
Infant menu compliance	304	10.3%	51	4.8%	15	2.0%	370	7.8%
Food receipts match menu items	286	9.7%	63	5.8%	4	0.5%	352	7.4%
Other ^b	105	3.5%	5	0.5%	16	2.2%	126	2.7%
Total Sponsors	2,950	100.0%	1,075	100.0%	729	100.0%	4,754	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	176		247		358		781	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^bOther includes types of snacks being served, amount of food on the table at the beginning of the meal, etc.

Exhibit 1.60: Distribution of Sponsors by Primary Meal-Related Areas Reviewed During Monitoring Visits								
Primary Meal-Related Areas Reviewed During Monitoring Visits	Type of Sponsored Center							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a
Compliance with CACFP meal pattern requirements	2,266	78.8%	760	70.7%	669	91.5%	3,696	78.9%
Safe food handling practices	1,127	39.2%	444	41.3%	188	25.7%	1,759	37.6%
Meals served match menu	897	31.2%	294	27.3%	204	27.8%	1,395	29.8%
Appropriate type of milk served	819	28.5%	81	7.5%	256	35.0%	1,155	24.7%
Food allergies are accommodated	307	10.7%	296	27.5%	22	3.1%	625	13.3%
Time of day for meals	380	13.2%	149	13.9%	87	11.9%	617	13.2%
Meal service style (e.g., family style, plated)	293	10.2%	110	10.2%	27	3.8%	430	9.2%
Drinking water available on request throughout day	274	9.5%	12	1.2%	13	1.8%	300	6.4%
Food receipts support menu	0	0.0%	15	1.4%	1	0.2%	16	0.3%
Other ^b	117	4.1%	8	0.8%	7	1.0%	132	2.8%
Total Sponsors	2,950	100.0%	1,075	100.0%	732	100.0%	4,685	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	176		247		359		782	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^bOther includes type of snacks served, nutritional quality of meals, etc.

Research Question 30: What are the primary reasons why sponsors conduct monitoring visits?

Exhibit 1.61: Distribution of Sponsors by Reasons for Monitoring Visits								
Reasons Sponsors Conduct Monitoring Visits	Type of Sponsored Center							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent ^{a,b}
Ensure nutritious meals and snacks	1,469	56.0%	509	50.3%	382	55.5%	2,361	54.6%
Combine training and technical assistance with monitoring	711	27.1%	285	28.2%	186	27.0%	1,183	27.3%
Follow-up on corrective actions	196	7.4%	107	10.6%	71	10.3%	373	8.6%
Confirm provider is pleased with service	82	3.1%	13	1.3%	2	0.4%	98	2.3%
Provider requested sponsor visit	10	0.4%	7	0.7%	11	1.5%	28	0.6%
Other ^a	156	5.9%	89	8.8%	37	5.3%	282	6.5%
Total Sponsors	2,625	100.0%	1,011	100.0%	688	100.0%	4,325	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	159		234		334		727	

^aOther includes: ensure guidelines are followed, health and safety procedures are followed, to assess quality assurances, ensure best practices, etc.

Research Question 31: What are the primary issues encountered by sponsors during monitoring visits?

Exhibit 1.62: Distribution of Sponsors by Issues Encountered During Monitoring Visits ^d								
Issues Encountered During Monitoring Visits	Type of Sponsored Center							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^{a,b}
Inaccurate meal counts	1,588	57.8%	612	61.2%	307	42.4%	2,507	56.1%
Non-compliance with CACFP recordkeeping requirements	1,208	44.0%	518	51.8%	592	81.7%	2,318	51.8%
Non-compliance with CACFP meal pattern requirements	1,247	45.4%	464	46.4%	443	61.1%	2,154	48.2%
Water unavailable to children on request	678	24.7%	172	17.2%	27	3.8%	877	19.6%
Submission of false claims for reimbursement	231	8.4%	40	4.0%	127	17.6%	398	8.9%
Number of children present exceeds licensed capacity	72	2.6%	27	2.7%	186	25.7%	286	6.4%
Conduct or conditions that threaten the health or safety of children in care	78	2.8%	93	9.3%	28	3.8%	198	4.4%
Provider absent	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	155	21.4%	155	3.5%
Submission of false information on the application	144	5.2%	0	0.0%	9	1.2%	153	3.4%
Simultaneous participation under more than one sponsoring organization	38	1.4%	7	0.7%	1	0.2%	46	1.0%
Other ^c	1,346	49.0%	589	59.0%	156	21.6%	2,092	46.8%
Total Sponsors	2,747	100.0%	1,003	100.0%	725	100.0%	4,471	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	164		231		354		749	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes such things as lack of cleanliness, lack of attention to meal portions, failure to take attendance, incomplete menus, sanitation issues, food storage issues, etc.

^dThe survey question was: "When your organization conducts monitoring visits with <TYPE>, what are the three most common deficiencies found that require corrective action? (Check 3 boxes)"

Research Question 32: Do sponsors provide advance notice of monitoring visits?

Exhibit 1.63: Distribution of Sponsors by Whether They Make Announced Monitoring Visits								
Whether Sponsors Make Announced Monitoring Visits	Type of Sponsored Center							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Never make announced visits	1,609	54.5%	424	39.5%	354	48.8%	2,387	50.2%
Sometimes make announced visits	1,342	45.5%	651	60.5%	372	51.2%	2,364	49.8%
Total Sponsors	2,951	100.0%	1,075	100.0%	726	100.0%	4,752	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	176		247		356		779	

Exhibit 1.64: Distribution of Sponsors by Frequency of Announced Monitoring Visits								
Frequency of Announced Monitoring Visits	Type of Sponsored Center							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Fewer than 1/3 of visits are announced	1,621	58.6%	446	41.9%	400	55.4%	2,466	54.2%
1/3 - 2/3 of visits are announced	855	30.9%	544	51.1%	296	41.0%	1,694	37.2%
More than 2/3 but not all visits are announced	18	0.6%	10	1.0%	1	0.2%	30	0.6%
All visits are announced	273	9.9%	64	6.0%	26	3.5%	362	8.0%
Total Sponsors	2,767	100.0%	1,064	100.0%	722	100.0%	4,552	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^b	170		245		353		768	

SPONSORS' PERCEPTIONS OF THE CACFP

Research Question 33: *What are sponsors' perceptions about the importance of the CACFP?*

Exhibit 1.65: Percentage of Sponsors Indicating Strong Agreement with the Importance of Individual Aspects of the CACFP								
Individual Aspects of the CACFP	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a
Provides nutritious meals to children	2,255	76.4%	844	70.7%	511	66.6%	3,610	73.5%
Helps children develop healthy eating habits	2,013	68.2%	960	80.4%	450	58.7%	3,423	69.7%
Helps parents learn the importance of healthy eating habits	1,605	54.4%	717	60.1%	476	62.1%	2,799	57.0%
Helps teach providers how to plan and prepare nutritious meals	1,118	37.9%	297	24.9%	424	55.3%	1,838	37.4%
Helps lower the cost of child care	886	30.0%	149	12.5%	128	16.7%	1,163	23.7%
Feeds children who would otherwise have limited access to nutritious food	619	21.0%	92	7.7%	125	16.3%	835	17.0%
Helps child care programs stay in business	354	12.0%	250	20.9%	104	13.6%	708	14.4%
Is an important part of the social safety net	309	10.5%	223	18.7%	82	10.7%	615	12.5%
Facilitates recruitment	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	10	1.3%	122	2.5%
Total Sponsors^b	2,953	100.0%	1,194	100.0%	767	100.0%	4,914	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	176		271		378		825	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^bIncludes only sponsors who indicated strong agreement (N=4,914).

Research Question 34: *What are sponsors' perceptions about the burden of CACFP administrative activities?*

Exhibit 1.66: Distribution of Sponsors by the Perceived Level of Administrative Burden to Meet CACFP Requirements								
Perceived Burden Level to Meet CACFP Requirements	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Very high burden	177	5.9%	24	2.0%	47	6.1%	247	5.0%
High burden	505	17.0%	169	14.2%	225	29.1%	898	18.2%
Neither high nor low burden	841	28.3%	365	30.8%	231	29.9%	1,438	29.1%
Low burden	762	25.6%	290	24.4%	106	13.6%	1,158	23.4%
Very low burden	503	16.9%	199	16.8%	129	16.7%	831	16.8%
No burden	189	6.4%	140	11.8%	37	4.7%	366	7.4%
Total Sponsors	2,976	100.0%	1,186	100.0%	775	100.0%	4,938	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	177		270		385		832	

Exhibit 1.67: Distribution of Sponsors by the Perceived Burden Level to Perform CACFP Enrollment Activities								
Perceived Burden of CACFP Enrollment Activities	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Very high burden	65	9.3%	6	12.6%	24	8.8%	95	9.3%
High burden	322	46.1%	16	32.0%	135	50.1%	473	46.5%
Neither high nor low burden	163	23.3%	18	34.7%	83	31.1%	264	25.9%
Low burden	93	13.4%	5	10.0%	20	7.4%	118	11.6%
Very low burden	56	8.0%	4	8.2%	7	2.6%	67	6.6%
No burden	0	0.0%	1	2.5%	0	0.0%	1	0.1%
Total Sponsors ^a	699	100.0%	51	100.0%	269	100.0%	1,018	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	46		16		145		207	

^aA total of 3979 (weighted) / 629 (unweighted) sponsors or 79.6% did not provide a rating.

Exhibit 1.68: Distribution of Sponsors by CACFP Enrollment Activities Sponsors Find Most Burdensome								
Enrollment Activities Sponsors Find Most Burdensome	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors ^{a,b}	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Processing income eligibility applications	128	33.6%	0	0.0%	30	19.2%	159	27.7%
Determining free/reduced and paid meal eligibility for children in child care centers ^d	69	18.1%	21	63.2%	9	5.8%	99	17.3%
Determining tiering status for FDCHs					48	30.1%	48	8.3%
Processing new FDCH applications					27	17.2%	27	4.8%
Other ^c	184	48.3%	12	36.8%	44	27.7%	240	41.9%
Total Sponsors	381	100.0%	33	100.0%	159	100.0%	574	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	28		8		88		124	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^bIn the survey, respondents were asked how burdensome they found CACFP enrollment activities. A weighted total of 568 respondents reported that they found CACFP enrollment activities to be “burdensome” or “very burdensome.”

^cOther was not detailed.

^dThe difference between “Processing income eligibility applications” and “Determining free/reduced and paid meal eligibility for children in child care centers” is subtle but important. FDCH sponsors do not determine free/reduced and paid meal eligibility for children. Rather, they process income eligibility applications submitted by parents of children in Tier II FDCHs to determine if the household income is no greater than 185% of federal poverty income guidelines, which would make meals reimbursable at the higher Tier I rates.

Exhibit 1.69: Distribution of Sponsors by the Perceived Burden Level to Perform CACFP Claiming Activities								
Perceived Burden of CACFP Claiming Activity	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Very high burden	71	10.2%	7	3.3%	21	7.8%	100	8.4%
High burden	282	40.4%	102	48.5%	157	57.5%	541	45.8%
Neither high nor low burden	193	27.7%	34	16.0%	61	22.5%	288	24.4%
Low burden	70	10.1%	24	11.3%	25	9.1%	119	10.1%
Very low burden	69	9.9%	23	10.7%	5	1.9%	97	8.2%
No burden	12	1.8%	22	10.3%	3	1.2%	37	3.2%
Total Sponsors ^a	699	100.0%	210	100.0%	272	100.0%	1,181	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	46		57		147		250	

^aA total of 3816 (weighted) / 586 (unweighted) sponsors or 76.4% did not provide a rating.

Exhibit 1.70: Distribution of Sponsors by CACFP Claiming Activities Sponsors Find Most Burdensome								
CACFP Claiming Activities Sponsors Find Most Burdensome	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors ^a	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Preparing and filing monthly reimbursement claims	206	58.3%	67	61.7%	21	12.1%	295	46.2%
Reviewing claims	42	11.8%	23	20.8%	102	58.2%	166	26.1%
Training providers on CACFP recordkeeping requirements	75	21.1%	13	11.8%	35	20.2%	123	19.2%
Awaiting payment from State ^c	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	5.2%	9	1.4%
Other ^b	31	8.8%	6	5.8%	8	4.4%	45	7.1%
Total Sponsors	354	100.0%	284	100.0%	175	100.0%	638	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	25		34		87		146	

^aIncludes only sponsors that find claiming activities burdensome (N = 641 based on Exhibit 1.67).

^bOther includes record keeping, enrolment forms, annual budget requirements, etc.

^cPlease note that there is a difference between "reviewing claims" and "preparing and filing monthly reimbursement claims." FDCHs submit claims for reimbursement for meals served, which are reviewed by their sponsor. The sponsor then aggregates the claims of individual FDCHs, prepares a monthly claim, and files a claim with the State for reimbursement.

Exhibit 1.71: Distribution of Sponsors by the Perceived Burden Level to Comply with CACFP Menu Requirements								
Perceived Burden Level for CACFP Menu Requirement Compliance	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Very high burden	63	9.4%	0	0.0%	15	5.5%	78	6.8%
High burden	154	23.0%	21	15.6%	82	30.2%	269	23.4%
Neither high nor low burden	204	30.5%	157	33.9%	110	40.4%	385	33.4%
Low burden	184	27.5%	61	22.1%	37	13.7%	268	23.3%
Very low burden	48	7.2%	25	11.1%	16	5.8%	88	7.6%
No burden	16	2.4%	5	17.3%	12	4.3%	64	5.6%
Total Sponsors^a	669	100.0%	269	100.0%	272	100.0%	1,152	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	44		57		147		248	

^aA total of 3845 (weighted)/ 588 (unweighted) sponsors or 76.9% did not provide a burden level.

Exhibit 1.72: Distribution of Sponsors by Activities Related to CACFP Menu Requirements Sponsors Find Most Burdensome								
CACFP Menu Requirements Sponsors Find Most Burdensome	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors ^a	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Train providers on CACFP meal pattern	62	28.4%	6	18.3%	36	37.5%	104	30.0%
Review provider menus	43	19.6%	12	35.6%	48	49.7%	102	29.5%
Train providers on CACFP allowable meals and snacks per child	9	4.3%	6	18.5%	4	4.0%	19	5.6%
Other ^b	103	47.7%	9	27.5%	8	8.7%	121	34.9%
Total Sponsors	218	100.0%	33	100.0%	96	100.0%	347	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sponsors	20		4		48		72	

^aIncludes only sponsors that find menu requirement activities burdensome (N = 347 based on Exhibit 1.69).

^bOther includes adapting meals for medical reasons, ensuring regulatory compliance, food costs, milk requirements, etc.

includes only sponsors that indicated menu requirements as high or very high burden (see Exhibit 1.69)

Exhibit 1.73: Distribution of Sponsors by the Perceived Burden Level for Performing Activities Related to CACFP Monitoring								
Perceived Burden Level for Performing CACFP Monitoring Activities	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Very high burden	78	11.9%	6	2.8%	38	14.2%	122	10.8%
High burden	189	28.9%	73	34.6%	139	51.6%	402	35.3%
Neither high nor low burden	182	27.8%	64	30.4%	70	25.9%	316	27.8%
Low burden	152	23.2%	37	17.6%	16	5.8%	205	18.0%
Very low burden	54	8.3%	17	8.2%	5	2.0%	77	6.8%
No burden	0	0.0%	13	6.4%	1	0.5%	15	1.3%
Total Sponsors^a	656	100.0%	210	100.0%	270	100.0%	1,137	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	44		57		146		248	

^aA total of 3860 (weighted) / 588 (unweighted) sponsors or 77.2% did not provide a rating.

Exhibit 1.74: Distribution of Sponsors by Activities Related to CACFP Monitoring Sponsors Find Most Burdensome								
CACFP Monitoring Activities Sponsors Find Most Burdensome	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors ^a	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Conduct required monitoring visits	99	37.8%	38	48.7%	54	30.6%	191	37.0%
Conduct 5-day reconciliations	69	26.5%	18	23.4%	81	45.9%	169	32.6%
Follow up on serious deficiencies	16	6.1%	10	12.9%	23	12.9%	49	9.5%
Other ^b	78	29.6%	12	14.9%	19	10.6%	108	20.9%
Total Sponsors	262	100.0%	78	100.0%	177	100.0%	517	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	21		23		96		140	

^aIncludes only sponsors that find monitoring activities burdensome N = 524 based on Exhibit 1.71).

^bOther includes such things as unannounced visits, follow-up on non-compliance issues, training, travel.

Exhibit 1.75: Distribution of Sponsors by the Perceived Burden Level to Perform CACFP Record-Keeping								
Perceived Burden Level for CACFP Record-Keeping	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Very high burden	131	18.7%	20	9.5%	51	18.7%	202	17.1%
High burden	428	61.2%	128	60.7%	136	49.9%	691	58.5%
Neither high nor low burden	90	13.0%	43	20.4%	67	24.6%	200	17.0%
Low burden	20	2.8%	17	8.1%	16	5.8%	53	4.5%
Very low burden	19	2.7%	0	0.0%	2	0.9%	21	1.8%
No burden	12	1.6%	3	1.3%	0	0.0%	14	1.2%
Total Sponsors^a	699	100.0%	210	100.0%	272	100.0%	1,181	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	46		57		147		250	

^aA total of 3816 (weighted) / 586 (unweighted) sponsors or 76.4% did not provide a rating.

Exhibit 1.76: Distribution of Sponsors by Activities Related to CACFP Record-Keeping Sponsors Find Most Burdensome								
Activities Related to CACFP Record-Keeping Sponsors Find Most Burdensome	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent ^a
Total amount of paperwork	271	51.1%	97	72.4%	77	42.5%	445	52.7%
Annual budget and contract renewal process	106	20.0%	15	11.2%	29	16.0%	150	17.8%
Concern about inconsistent regional interpretation of USDA regulations	64	12.1%	15	11.2%	56	30.9%	135	16.0%
Maintaining both paper and electronic records	50	9.4%	4	3.0%	12	6.6%	66	7.8%
Utilizing automated systems	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	1.7%	3	0.4%
Other ^b	39	7.4%	3	2.2%	4	2.2%	46	5.4%
Total Sponsors	530	100.0%	134	100.0%	181	100.0%	845	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	46		57		147		250	

^aIncludes only sponsors that find record-keeping activities burdensome (N = 893 based on Exhibit 1.73).

^bOther includes state reporting/accountability systems, manual data entry, maintaining work in two systems, etc.

Exhibit 1.77: Distribution of Sponsors by the Perceived Burden Level for Performing Outreach to New CACFP Sites							
Perceived Burden Level for Outreach to New CACFP Sites	Type of Sponsor						
	Child Care Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors		
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	
Very high burden	21	3.2%	7	2.5%	28	3.0%	
High burden	11	1.7%	83	30.6%	94	10.2%	
Neither high nor low burden	285	44.1%	107	39.4%	392	42.7%	
Low burden	88	13.6%	45	16.4%	132	14.4%	
Very low burden	30	4.7%	14	5.2%	44	4.9%	
No burden	212	32.8%	16	5.9%	228	24.8%	
Total Sponsors^a	646	100.0%	272	100.0%	918	100.0%	
Total Unweighted Sample	44		147		191		

Exhibit 1.78: Distribution of Sponsors by CACFP Outreach Activities Sponsors Find Most Burdensome							
CACFP Outreach Activities Sponsors Find Most Burdensome	Type of Sponsor						
	Child Care Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors ^a		
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	
Identifying potential sites	21	66.2%	43	50.7%	65	55.8%	
Conducting pre-approval visits	0	0.0%	11	12.4%	11	8.9%	
Other ^b	11	33.8%	31	36.9%	42	35.4%	
Total Sponsors	32	100.0%	85	100.0%	117	100.0%	
Total Unweighted Sample	42		105		147		

^aIncludes only sponsors that find outreach activities burdensome (N = 122 based on Exhibit 1.75).

^bOther includes recruiting and training new site directors, lack of time for outreach due to monitoring requirements, etc.

Research Question 35: What are sponsors' levels of satisfaction with their State Agency's performance by State activity?

Exhibit 1.79: Distribution of Sponsors That are "Satisfied" or "Very Satisfied" With Their State Agency's Performance by Area

State Agency Performance Area	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors ^a	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent ^a
Processing and payment of claims	2,869	97.0%	1,179	99.5%	707	94.3%	4,754	97.1%
Processing organization's initial application	2,398	81.0%	1,019	86.0%	589	78.5%	4,007	81.9%
Review of organization	2,682	90.6%	1,091	92.1%	577	76.9%	4,350	88.9%
Annual contract renewal process, including budget and management plan renewal	2,348	79.4%	995	84.0%	567	75.6%	3,910	79.9%
Support of organization's use of technology for the CACFP	2,144	72.5%	987	83.3%	542	72.3%	3,673	75.1%
Use of technology	2,176	73.5%	1,025	86.5%	538	71.7%	3,739	76.4%
Support for recruiting new centers, homes, etc.	1,004	33.9%	87	7.3%	320	42.7%	1,411	28.8%
Total Sponsors	2,959	100.0%	1,185	100.0%	750	100.0%	4,894	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^b	174		268		371		813	

^aIncludes only sponsors that provided a rating of State Agency performance. By area, total respondents were 4,943 (Processing and payment of claims), 4,470 (Processing organization's initial application), 4,910 (Review of organization), 4,882 (Annual contract renewal process), 4,619 (support for organization's use of technology), 4,750 (Use of technology), and 2,398 (Support for recruiting)

Research Question 36: What do sponsors think are the greatest barriers to increasing participation in the CACFP?

Exhibit 1.80: Distribution of Sponsors by Their Perceptions of the Greatest Barriers to Increasing CACFP Participation Among Child Care Centers and Family Day Care Homes (Other than Program Reimbursement Levels)

Greatest Barriers to Increasing CACFP Participation	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers ^b		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a
High paper work burden for providers	1,121	48.6%	22	19.9%	372	54.0%	1,515	48.8%
Intrusiveness and paperwork burden of parent applications	832	36.1%	24	21.1%	107	15.6%	963	31.0%
Application process is too complicated	677	29.4%	21	18.7%	34	5.0%	733	23.6%
Providers' reluctance to participate in government programs	469	20.4%	15	13.5%	192	27.9%	677	21.8%
Eligible centers already participate	447	19.4%	67	59.3%	83	12.1%	596	19.2%
Lengthy application and approval process	300	13.0%	13	11.8%	20	3.0%	334	10.8%
Providers don't want monitors in their homes					304	44.2%	304	9.8%
Other ^c	80	3.5%	4	3.5%	162	23.6%	246	7.9%
Total Sponsors	2,305	100.0%	112	100.0%	688	100.0%	3,105	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^d	138		27		344		509	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes: too many rules and regulations, perceived tax burden, dislike unannounced visits, low reimbursement rates, etc.

^dA total of 1892 (unweighted) / 327 (weighted) sponsors did not respond.

Research Question 37: What are sponsors' suggestions for improving the CACFP?

Exhibit 1.81: Percentage of Sponsors by Their Suggestions for Improving the CACFP								
Suggestions for Improving the CACFP	Type of Sponsor							
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers ^a		Family Day Care Homes		Total Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Reduce paperwork	123	47.9%	121	49.8%	63	32.0%	307	44.0%
Change eligibility ^b	80	31.2%	48	19.8%	46	23.6%	174	25.0%
Offer constructive, helpful supervision including announced visits	67	26.0%	41	16.9%	25	12.9%	133	19.1%
Align program to other USDA programs in terms of regulations, requirements, etc.	29	11.3%	23	9.5%	32	16.1%	84	12.1%
Reduce enrollment limitations	25	9.7%	22	9.1%	25	12.8%	72	10.3%
Change food regulations / meal requirements	20	7.7%	14	5.8%	6	3.2%	40	5.7%
Increase community understanding of program	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	13	6.8%	13	1.9%
Other ^c	0	0.0%	14	5.8%	11	5.6%	25	3.6%
Total Sponsors^d	257	100.0%	243	100.0%	197	100.0%	697	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	16		53		87		156	

^aHead Start centers are required to participate in the CACFP (45 CFR 1304.23).

^bChanging eligibility included eliminating tiering and providing higher reimbursement rates

^cOther includes reduce the number of rules and regulations, automate paperwork, provide better and more frequent communication, reduce overall burden, etc.

^dA total of 4,300 (unweighted) / 680 (weighted) sponsors indicated that they do not know or did not respond.

Chapter 2: Characteristics of CACFP Providers

Exhibit 2.1: Distribution of Providers by Provider Type

	Child Care Centers				Family Day Care Homes	Total Providers
	Independent	Sponsored	Head Start	Total Centers		
Total Weighted Sample	17,052	15,923	11,437	44,412	115,708	160,120
Total Unweighted Sample	201	142	191	534	308	842

Research Question 1: How many children are enrolled at each CACFP site and what is the average enrollment?

Exhibit 2.2: Distribution of CACFP Providers by the Number of Children Enrolled

Number of Children Enrolled	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Fewer than or equal to 13	211	1.3%	837	5.5%	804	7.1%	1,852	4.3%	80,711	71.2%	82,563	52.8%
14 – 25	1,230	7.4%	1,465	9.7%	2,678	23.8%	5,373	12.5%	29,500	26.0%	34,874	22.3%
26 - 50	3,890	23.4%	3,187	21.0%	2,964	26.4%	10,041	23.3%	3,151	2.8%	13,192	8.4%
51 - 75	4,266	25.7%	2,640	17.4%	1,170	10.4%	8,076	18.8%	0	0.0%	8,076	5.2%
76 - 100	2,814	16.9%	2,319	15.3%	874	7.8%	6,007	14.0%	0	0.0%	6,007	3.8%
101 - 150	2,962	17.8%	2,923	19.3%	1,171	10.4%	70,56	16.4%	0	0.0%	7,056	4.5%
Greater than 150	1,255	7.6%	1,786	11.8%	1,587	14.1%	4,628	10.8%	0	0.0%	4,629	3.0%
Total Providers	16,628	100.0%	15,158	100.0%	11,249	100.0%	43,035	100.0%	113,362	100.0%	15,6397	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	78.31 (±5.23)		85.95 (±13.44)		104.86 (±46.33)		88.00 (±13.20)		10.80 (±0.92)		31.95 (±5.23)	
Std. Error	3.11		8.01		27.60		7.23		0.55		2.60	
Total Unweighted Sample	196		135		186		517		299		816	

^aIncludes family day care home providers' own children.

**Research Question 2: For FDCHs: How many of the participants are the providers' own children?
What ages are providers' children who participate in CACFP?**

Exhibit 2.3: Distribution of Family Day Care Home Providers by the Age of Providers' Participant Children		
Age of Providers' Children Whose Meals Are Claimed ^b	FDCH Providers	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a
Less than 1 year old	91,618	88.9%
1 – 2 years old	91,246	88.9%
3 – 5 years old	96,548	92.8%
Older than 5 years	103,648	97.7%
Total Providers	101,871	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	262	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could have children in multiple age groups.

^b78.0% of providers do not claim their own children.

Research Question 3: How do providers' enrollments compare to their licensed capacity?

Exhibit 2.4: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Enrollment as a Percentage of Total Children the Site is Licensed to Serve ^a												
Enrollment as a Percentage of Total Children the Site is Licensed to Serve	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Less than or equal to 90%	8,044	54.8%	7,431	56.3%	3,425	32.3%	18,900	49.1%	37,832	35.5%	56,732	39.2%
91% - 100%	3,559	24.3%	3,400	25.8%	6,000	56.7%	12,959	33.7%	36,126	33.9%	49,084	33.9%
101% - 110%	920	6.3%	691	5.2%	283	2.7%	1,894	4.9%	3,326	3.1%	5,220	3.6%
Greater than 110%	2,154	14.7%	1,673	12.7%	881	8.3%	4,708	12.2%	29,147	27.4%	33,855	23.4%
Total Providers	14,676	100.0%	13,195	100.0%	10,589	100.0%	38,460	100.0%	106,431	100.0%	144,890	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	89.42% (±4.39%)		82.22% (±6.00%)		89.41% (±4.38%)		86.9% (±3.41%)		105.41% (±9.17%)		100.42% (±8.23%)	
Std. Error	2.62%		3.57%		2.61%		2.00%		5.46%		4.09%	
Total Unweighted Sample	180		128		178		486		291		777	

^aLicensing regulations limit the number of children that can be present at any given time, but enrollment can exceed capacity.

Research Question 4: How does average daily attendance compare to enrollment among CACFP providers and how does this vary between weekdays and weekends?

Exhibit 2.5: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Whether They Operate on Weekends

Weekend Operation	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Do not operate on weekends	14,954	87.7%	14,074	88.4%	10,442	91.3%	39,470	88.9%	84,889	73.4%	124,359	77.7%
Operate on weekends	2,098	12.3%	1,849	11.6%	995	8.7%	4,942	11.1%	30,819	26.6%	35,761	22.3%
Total Providers	17,052	100.0%	15,923	100.0%	11,437	100.0%	44,412	100.0%	115,708	100.0%	160,120	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	201		142		191		534		308		842	

Exhibit 2.6: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Average Weekday Attendance Rates^a

Average Weekday Attendance Rates ^b	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Less than or equal to 75%	4,464	31.3%	3,715	27.5%	1,640	16.9%	9,819	26.2%	29,606	28.6%	39,425	28.0%
76% - 80%	1,338	9.4%	1,848	13.7%	1,054	10.9%	4,240	11.3%	4,076	3.9%	8,316	5.9%
81% - 85%	1,492	10.4%	1,280	9.5%	1,468	15.1%	4,240	11.3%	5,265	5.1%	9,505	6.7%
86% - 90%	2,110	14.8%	1,884	13.9%	2,255	23.2%	6,248	16.7%	3,856	3.7%	10,104	7.2%
91% - 95%	1,598	11.2%	1,381	10.2%	1,069	11.0%	4,049	10.8%	2,830	2.7%	6,879	4.9%
96% - 100%	3,282	23.0%	3,421	25.3%	2,214	22.8%	8,917	23.8%	57,808	55.9%	66,725	47.3%
Total Providers	14,284	100.0%	13,529	100.0%	9,700	100.0%	37,513	100.0%	103,440	100.0%	140,953	100.0%
Mean (95% CI) half-width)	81.6% (±2.6%)		81.7% (±4.5%)		84.0% (±3.7%)		82.4% (±3.1%)		85.0% (±2.7%)		84.2% (±2.27%)	
Std. Error	1.3%		2.2%		1.8%		1.8%		1.4%		1.1%	
Total Unweighted Sample	132		285		173		590		188		778	

^aProviders were instructed to consider the typical weekday attendance during the past four weeks.

^bRates based on enrolled children only.

Research Question 5: What percentage of children enrolled in CACFP sites are enrolled part-time?

Whether CACFP Providers Serve Children Enrolled Part-time ^a	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Have no children enrolled part-time	4,693	29.3%	4,306	28.9%	4,251	37.9%	13,251	31.4%	40,582	36.1%	53,833	34.9%
Have children enrolled part-time	11,313	70.7%	10,614	71.1%	6,969	62.1%	28,896	68.6%	71,702	63.9%	100,598	65.1%
Total Providers	16,007	100.0%	14,920	100.0%	11,221	100.0%	42,147	100.0%	112,284	100.0%	154,432	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	190		134		187		511		299		810	

^aPart-time is defined as “less than 30 hours per week” in the survey.

Percentage of Children Enrolled Part-time	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. N	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Less than or equal to 10%	1,171	17.0%	789	12.0%	439	7.6%	2,399	12.5%	7,227	17.3%	9,626	15.8%
11% - 20%	0	0.0%	156	2.0%	0	0.0%	156	0.8%	0	0.0%	156	0.3%
21% - 30%	270	3.9%	127	2.0%	0	0.0%	397	2.1%	0	0.0%	397	0.7%
31% - 40%	409	5.9%	260	4.0%	87	1.5%	756	4.0%	1,878	4.5%	2,634	4.3%
41% - 50%	434	6.3%	203	3.0%	133	2.3%	770	4.0%	3,827	9.2%	4,597	7.6%
More than 50%	4,597	66.8%	4,955	76.0%	5,086	88.5%	14,638	76.6%	28,753	69.0%	43,391	71.4%
Total Providers	6,882	100.0%	6,490	100.0%	5,745	100.0%	19,116	100.0%	41,684	100.0%	60,801	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	67.42% (±6.61%)		72.80% (±14.30%)		89.71% (±7.68%)		75.34% (±9.23%)		72.70% (±9.14%)		73.72% (±6.91%)	
Std. Error	3.26%		7.05%		3.79%		4.70%		4.51%		3.40%	
Total Unweighted Sample	81		57		84		222		117		339	

^aPart-time was defined as “less than 30 hours per week” in the survey

^bIncludes only providers that have at least one child enrolled part-time (N = 100,598 based on Exhibit 2.7).

Exhibit 2.9: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Whether They Serve Children Enrolled for Fewer than Five Days per Week												
Whether CACFP Providers Serve Children Enrolled for Fewer than Five Days per Week	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
No children enrolled fewer than 5 days per week	5,392	33.2%	5,248	35.0%	4,926	44.0%	15,565	36.8%	48,096	44.0%	63,661	42.0%
Children enrolled fewer than 5 days per week	10,787	66.7%	9,729	65.0%	6,259	56.0%	26,775	63.2%	61,236	56.0%	88,012	58.0%
Total Providers	16,179	100.0%	14,977	100.0%	11,185	100.0%	42,340	100.0%	109,333	100.0%	151,673	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	192		135		187		514		290		804	

Exhibit 2.10: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Percentage of Children Enrolled for Fewer than Five Days per Week ^a												
Percentage of Children Enrolled for Fewer than Five Days per Week	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Less than or equal to 10%	3,420	33.3%	2,467	25.7%	65	1.1%	5,953	22.8%	6,922	11.3%	12,875	14.8%
11% - 20%	1,378	13.4%	1,927	20.0%	0	0.00%	3,305	12.7%	14,443	23.6%	17,748	20.4%
21% - 30%	1,651	16.1%	2,201	22.9%	133	2.2%	3,986	15.3%	1,0412	17.0%	14,398	16.5%
31% - 40%	1,439	14.0%	597	6.2%	180	2.9%	2,216	8.5%	6,509	10.7%	8,726	10.0%
41% - 50%	1,200	11.7%	348	3.6%	162	2.6%	1,709	6.6%	4,844	7.9%	6,554	7.5%
Greater than 50%	1,187	11.6%	2,076	21.6%	5,648	91.3%	8,912	34.2%	17,965	29.4%	26,877	30.8%
Total Providers	10,276	100.0%	9,617	100.0%	6,188	100.0%	26,081	100.0%	61,096	100.0%	87,177	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	17.5% (±2.1%)		21.0% (±4.4%)		49.1% (±5.0%)		(±6.61%)		22.9% (±2.3%)		24.0% (±1.8%)	
Std. Error	2.1%		4.4%		5.0%				2.3%		1.8%	
Total Unweighted Sample	121		84		88		293		152		445	

^aIncludes only providers with at least one child enrolled fewer than five days per week (N = 88,012 based on Exhibit 2.9).

Research Question 6: What percentage of CACFP providers serve infants? Preschoolers? School-aged children?

Exhibit 2.11: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Age Groups of Children Served												
Ages of Children Served	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes ^a		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b				
Less than 1 year	11,991	72.1%	9,346	61.7%	3,249	28.9%	24,586	57.1%	88,558	78.1%	113,711	72.7%
1-2 years	14,795	89.0%	11,276	74.4%	4,111	36.5%	30,182	70.1%	101,612	89.6%	132,834	84.9%
3-5 years	16,227	97.6%	14,295	94.3%	10,383	92.3%	40,905	95.1%	108,114	95.4%	154,913	99.1%
Older than 5 years ^c	12,896	77.6%	9,852	65.0%	525	4.7%	23,273	54.1%	89,311	78.8%	112,584	72.0%
Total Providers^b	16,628	100.0%	15,158	100.0%	11,249	100.0%	43,035	100.0%	113,362	100.0%	156,397	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	201		142		191		534		308		842	

^aIncludes family day care home providers' own children.

^bDetail does not add to 100 as many respondents serve children across multiple ages.

^cSchool-age children served before and/or after school.

Research Question 7: What percentage of CACFP child care facilities serve children with special dietary needs?

Exhibit 2.12: Percentage of CACFP Providers that Serve Children with Special Dietary Needs												
	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
No children with special dietary needs	5,728	33.6%	3,662	23.3%	2,157	19.1%	11,547	26.2%	99,924	86.4%	111,471	69.8%
Serve children with special dietary needs	11,324	66.4%	12,023	76.7%	9,143	80.9%	32,490	73.8%	15,784	13.6%	48,275	30.2%
Total Providers	17,052	100.0%	15,685	100.0%	11,300	100.0%	44,037	100.0%	115,708	100.0%	159,745	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	201		140		188		529		308		837	

Research Question 8: For Child Care Centers: What percentage of children enrolled in CACFP child care centers are approved for free or reduced-price meals?

Exhibit 2.13: Distribution of Child Care Centers ^a by the Percentage of Children Approved for Free or Reduced-Price Meals						
Percentage of Children Approved for Free or Reduced-Price Meals	Type of Child Care Center				Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent		
Less than or equal to 10%	1,606	14.0%	943	8.6%	2,549	11.3%
11% - 20%	743	6.5%	294	2.7%	1,036	4.6%
21% - 30%	923	8.0%	1,163	10.5%	2,086	9.3%
31% - 40%	1,014	8.8%	1,528	13.8%	2,542	11.3%
41% - 50%	1,086	9.5%	357	3.2%	1,443	6.4%
51% - 60%	1,033	9.0%	1,059	9.6%	2,092	9.3%
Greater than 60%	5,086	44.3%	5,689	51.6%	10,775	47.8%
Total Providers	11,490	100.0%	11,033	100.0%	22,523	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	54.0% (±6.3%)		59.6% (±7.6%)		56.5% (±7.1%)	
Std. Error	3.1%		3.7%		3.3%	
Total Unweighted Sample	137		106		243	

^a Does not include Head Start Centers.

Research Question 9: For FDCHs: What percentage of children enrolled in CACFP Tier II family day care homes receive meals reimbursed at the Tier I Rates?

Exhibit 2.14: Distribution of Family Day Care Home Providers by the Percentage of Children Enrolled in Tier II Homes That Receive Meals at the Tier I Rates		
Percentage of Children Enrolled in Tier II Homes That Receive Meals at the Tier I Rates	Wtd. n	Percent
Less than 20%	5,212	15.2%
20% - 39%	0	0.0%
40% - 59%	567	1.6%
60% - 79%	368	1.1%
80% - 99%	37	0.1%
100%	28,196	82.0%
Total All FDCHs	34,381	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	84.3% ($\pm 6.6\%$)	
Std. Error	3.1%	
Total Unweighted Sample	74	

Research Question 10: What percentage of CACFP child care facilities serve children from homes where English is not the primary language?

Exhibit 2.15: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Whether They Serve Children Who Speak a Language Other than English												
Children Who Speak a Language other than English	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
No children who speak a language other than English	6,691	41.0%	5,068	34.3%	4,127	36.4%	15,887	37.4%	82,677	72.6%	98,563	63.1%
Children who speak a language other than English	9,642	59.0%	9,691	65.6%	7,209	63.6%	26,542	62.6%	31,186	27.4%	57,728	36.9%
Total Providers	16,333	100.0%	14,760	100.0%	11,336	100.0%	42,428	100.0%	113,863	100.0%	156,291	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	193		132		189		514		306		820	

Research Question 11: How long have child care providers participated in the CACFP?

Number of Years Providers Have Participated in the CACFP	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total All Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. N	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
2 Years or fewer	659	6.2%	623	7.2%	654	12.2%	1,936	7.9%	9,080	9.3%	11,016	9.0%
3 - 5 Years	2,609	24.6%	2,360	27.2%	662	12.4%	5,631	22.9%	22,556	23.0%	28,188	23.0%
6 - 10 Years	3,508	33.1%	2,314	26.6%	1,108	20.7%	6,930	28.1%	26,456	27.0%	33,386	27.2%
11 - 20 Years	3,228	30.4%	2,123	24.4%	1,445	27.0%	6,796	27.6%	22,697	23.2%	29,493	24.1%
21 - 30 Years	518	4.9%	851	9.8%	1,042	19.5%	2,411	9.8%	15,132	15.4%	17,543	14.3%
Over 30 Years	83	0.8%	419	4.8%	436	8.2%	938	3.8%	2,063	2.1%	3,001	2.4%
Total Providers	10,605	100.0%	8,689	100.0%	5,347	100.0%	24,641	100.0%	97,985	100.0%	122,626	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	199		140		189		527		304		831	

Research Question 12: On average, how long did it take for providers' CACFP applications to be approved?

Number of Weeks from Application to Approval	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Less than 7 days	244	2.8%	269	4.4%	1,057	31.8%	1,570	8.7%	32,182	33.6%	33,752	29.6%
1 - 4 weeks	3,002	34.6%	2,238	36.7%	1,343	40.4%	65,84	36.3%	46,648	48.7%	53,231	46.7%
1 - 2 months	3,551	40.9%	2,873	47.1%	671	20.2%	7,096	39.2%	14,351	15.0%	21,446	18.8%
More than 2 months	1,889	21.7%	726	11.9%	251	7.6%	2,866	15.8%	2,681	2.8%	5,547	4.9%
Total Providers	8,686	100.0%	6,106	100.0%	3,322	100.0%	18,116	100.0%	95,862	100.0%	113,976	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^a	103		54		52		209		244		453	

^aA total of 44, 191 (unweighted)/ (weighted) providers or 27.9% indicated "Don't Know."

Research Question 13: What hours and days of the week do CACFP providers operate child care?

Exhibit 2.18: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Number of Days per Week Their Sites Provide Care												
Number of Days per Week	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Less than 4 days per week	0	0.0%	274	1.7%	94	0.8%	369	0.8%	0	0.0%	369	0.2%
4 days	85	0.5%	689	4.3%	3,773	33.0%	45,46	10.2%	2,262	2.0%	6,808	4.3%
5 days	16,222	95.1%	1,4614	91.8%	7,570	66.2%	38,407	86.5%	95,713	83.3%	134,119	84.2%
6 days	233	1.4%	89	0.6%	0	0.0%	322	0.7%	7,650	6.7%	7,972	5.0%
7 days	512	3.0%	256	1.6%	0	0.0%	769	1.7%	9,251	8.1%	10,019	6.3%
Total Providers	17,052	100.0%	15,923	100.0%	11,437	100.0%	44,412	100.0%	114,876	100.0%	159,288	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	5.07 (±0.04)		4.93 (±0.16)		4.64 (±0.09)		4.90 (±0.03)		5.21 (±0.10)		5.12 (±0.09)	
Std. Error	0.03		0.10		0.05		0.06		0.06		0.04	
Total Unweighted Sample	201		142		191		534		306		840	

Exhibit 2.19: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Number of Hours per Day Their Sites Provide Care												
Number of Hours per Day	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Less than or equal to 5 hrs.	243	1.5%	694	4.7%	1,921	19.5%	2,858	7.1%	682	0.6%	3,541	2.4%
6 – 8 hrs.	1,225	7.8%	2,012	13.7%	5,132	52.1%	8,369	20.8%	1,842	1.7%	10,210	7.0%
9 – 10 hrs.	966	6.2%	1,604	11.0%	714	7.3%	3,284	8.2%	26,974	25.5%	30,257	20.7%
More than 10 hrs.	13,269	84.5%	10,331	70.6%	2,075	21.1%	25,675	63.9%	76,140	72.1%	101,815	69.8%
Total Providers	15,703	100.0%	14,642	100.0%	9,841	100.0%	40,186	100.0%	105,637	100.0%	145,823	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	11.31 (±0.41)		10.86 (±0.85)		8.13 (±0.37)		10.33 (±0.63)		10.98 (±0.41)		10.80 (±0.34)	
Std. Error	0.20		0.42		0.18		0.17		0.20		0.17	
Total Unweighted Sample	166		127		163		455		227		682	

Exhibit 2.20: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Number of Weeks per Year Their Sites Provide Care												
Number of Weeks per Year	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Fewer than 30 weeks	282	1.7%	340	2.2%	738	6.7%	1,360	3.2%	50,82	4.7%	6,442	4.3%
30 - 35 weeks	164	1.0%	256	1.7%	3,108	28.1%	3,528	8.3%	1,881	1.7%	5,409	3.6%
36 - 40 weeks	424	2.6%	1,444	9.5%	2,827	25.6%	4,695	11.0%	2,035	1.9%	6,729	4.5%
41 - 45 weeks	385	2.4%	394	2.6%	866	7.8%	1,646	3.9%	2,726	2.5%	4,372	2.9%
Greater than 45 weeks	15,114	92.3%	1,2789	84.0%	3,524	31.9%	31,428	73.7%	96,170	89.1%	127,598	84.8%
Total Providers	16,370	100.0%	15,224	100.0%	11,062	100.0%	42,656	100.0%	107,895	100.0%	150,550	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	50.33 (±0.76)		49.00 (±1.90)		39.72 (±1.04)		47.07 (±0.80)		48.34 (±0.84)		47.99 (±0.79)	
Std. Error	0.45		1.13		0.62		0.47		0.49		0.39	
Total Unweighted Sample	192		135		186		513		279		792	

Research Question 14: What is the legal status of child care centers that participate in the CACFP?

Exhibit 2.21: Distribution of CACFP Child Care Centers by Licensure Status and Type of Administering Organization						
Licensure Status and Auspices	Licensed		License Exempt		Total All Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Public	12,117	40.6%	924	40.1%	13,041	40.6%
Private for-profit	14,795	49.6%	0	0.0%	14,795	46.0%
Private non-profit	2,928	9.8%	1,380	59.9%	4,308	13.4%
Total All Centers	29,840	100.0%	2,304	100.0%	32,144	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	313		21		334	

Exhibit 2.22: Distribution of CACFP Child Care Centers by Licensure Status and Type of Administering Organization								
Licensure Status and Auspices	Public		Private For-Profit		Private Non-Profit		Total All Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Licensed	12,117	92.9%	14,795	100.0%	2,928	68.0%	29,840	92.8%
License Exempt	924	7.1%	0	0.0%	1,380	32.0%	2,304	7.2%
Total All Centers	13,041	100.0%	14,795	100.0%	4,308	100.0%	32,144	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	140		159		35		334	

Research Question 15: What percentage of CACFP providers have on-site access to the Internet?

Exhibit 2.23: Percentage of CACFP Providers that Have Access to the Internet												
Internet Access	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Have access to the Internet	16,625	97.5%	14,947	95.3%	11,277	99.4%	42,849	97.2%	99,248	86.0%	142,097	89.1%
Do not have access to the Internet	427	2.5%	742	4.7%	66	0.6%	1,235	2.8%	16,198	14.0%	17,433	10.9%
Total Providers	17,052	100.0%	15,688	100.0%	1,1343	100.0%	44,083	100.0%	115,447	100.0%	159,530	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	201		140		190		531		304		835	

Research Question 16: What percentage of CACFP providers submit claims electronically?

Exhibit 2.24: Percentage of CACFP Providers that Submit Claims Electronically												
Electronic Claims	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Submit electronically	14,874	91.7%	11,447	78.9%	74,72	69.2%	33,792	81.4%	57,004	60.2%	90,797	66.7%
Use paper claim forms only	1,338	8.3%	3,063	21.1%	3,320	30.8%	7,722	18.6%	37,652	39.8%	45,373	33.3%
Total Providers	16,212	100.0%	14,510	100.0%	10,791	100.0%	41,514	100.0%	94,656	100.0%	136,170	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	191		130		182		503		249		752	

Exhibit 2.25: Percentage of CACFP Providers that Submit Claims Electronically and on Paper												
Claim Type	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Submit electronically only	14,394	96.8%	8,995	78.6%	5,369	71.9%	28,757	85.1%	55,192	96.8%	83,950	92.5%
Use paper claim forms and submit electronically	480	3.2%	2,452	21.4%	2,103	28.1%	5,035	14.9%	1,812	3.2%	6,847	7.5%
Total Providers	14,874	100.0%	11,447	100.0%	7,472	100.0%	33,792	100.0%	57,004	100.0%	90,797	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	174		111		135		420		114		544	

^aIncludes only providers that submit claims electronically (N = 90,797 based on Exhibit 2.24).

Exhibit 2.26: Percentage of CACFP Providers that Submit Claims Electronically by System Developer ^a												
Claims System Developer	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Developed by State	11,979	93.2%	6372	68.8%	4,146	64.0%	22,498	78.7%	7,564	20.2%	30,062	45.6%
Developed by sponsor	0	0.0%	1,690	18.2%	1,724	26.6%	3,414	11.9%	20,638	55.2%	24,052	36.5%
Developed by private organization	880	6.8%	12,02	13.0%	609	9.4%	2,691	9.4%	9,168	24.5%	11,859	18.0%
Total Providers	12,859	100.0%	9,264	100.0%	6,479	100.0%	28,602	100.0%	37,370	100.0%	65,973	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	150		95		111		356		75		431	

^aIncludes only providers that submit claims electronically (N = 90,797 based on Exhibit 2.24)..

Research Question 17: What, if any, referrals and/or linkages to other programs do CACFP providers routinely make for their enrolled children?

Exhibit 2.27: Percentage of CACFP Providers that Make Referrals to Community Service Programs for Children

	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Make referrals	14,653	90.7%	14,242	92.3%	11,105	99.1%	40,000	93.5%	68,444	62.3%	108,444	71.0%
Do not make referrals	1,499	9.3%	1,193	7.7%	104	0.9%	2,796	6.5%	41,479	37.7%	44,276	29.0%
Total Providers	16,152	100.0%	15,435	100.0%	11,209	100.0%	42,796	100.0%	109,924	100.0%	152,720	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	190		136		189		515		294		809	

Exhibit 2.28: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Referred Community Service Programs^a

Referred Community Service Programs	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a				
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)	9,984	70.7%	9,064	64.6%	10,530	97.2%	29,579	75.9%	42,560	69.1%	72,139	71.7%
Therapeutic rehabilitative Services	10,445	73.9%	10,594	75.5%			31,154	79.9%	31,981	51.9%	63,135	62.8%
Health insurance	9,394	66.5%	9,439	67.3%	10,640	98.2%	29,474	75.6%	26,216	42.5%	55,690	55.4%
Child welfare or family support services	8,821	62.4%	8,830	63.0%	9,268	85.5%	26,920	69.0%	26,550	43.1%	53,470	53.1%
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)	6,729	47.6%	6,285	44.8%	9,523	87.9%	22,537	57.8%	22,181	36.0%	44,718	44.4%
Other food assistance programs	6,633	47.0%	6,636	47.3%	9,769	90.1%	23,038	59.1%	17,437	28.3%	40,475	40.2%
Housing or shelter services	4,718	33.4%	4,878	34.8%	9,461	87.3%	19,057	48.9%	12,633	20.5%	31,691	31.5%
Health screening program	5,227	37.0%	3,240	23.1%	8,476	78.2%	16,944	43.5%	13,746	22.3%	30,690	30.5%
Head Start/Early Head Start	0	0.0%	4,225	30.1%	0	0.0%	4,225	10.8%	32,438	52.6%	36,663	36.4%
Other ^c	1,715	12.1%	1,445	10.3%	1,416	13.1%	4,577	11.7%	7,259	11.8%	11,835	11.8%
Total Providers	14,125	100.0%	14,027	100.0%	10,837	100.0%	38,989	100.0%	61,621	100.0%	100,610	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	166		120		188		474		183		657	

^aIncludes only providers that make referrals (N = 108,444 based on Exhibit 2.27)

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes adult education, addiction counseling, backpack buddy programs, Native American Services, Salvation Army, Legal Services, etc.

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Research Question 18: What is the source of menus used by CACFP providers?

Exhibit 2.29: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Primary Source of Menus												
Primary Source of Menus	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a				
Menus developed by center or staff ^a	3,522	62.3%	1,404	37.9%	0	0.0%	4,926	35.8%	17,359	72.1%	22,285	58.9%
CACFP sponsor's cycle menus			862	23.3%	1,235	28.0%	2,096	15.2%	5,485	22.8%	7,581	20.0%
USDA CACFP website	911	16.1%	764	20.6%	647	14.7%	2,322	16.9%	35	0.1%	2,357	6.2%
CACFP State Agency	801	14.2%	0	0.0%	72	1.6%	873	6.3%	1054	4.4%	1,927	5.1%
Head Start/Early Head Start staff					1,346	30.5%	1,346	9.8%			1,346	3.6%
Commercial vendor	149	2.6%	305	8.2%	548	12.4%	10,02	7.3%	0	0.0%	1,002	2.6%
Child care association	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	151	0.6%	151	0.4%
Other websites	97	1.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	97	0.7%	0	0.0%	97	0.3%
Office of Head Start website					62	1.4%	62	0.4%			62	0.2%
Other ^b	168	3.0%	370	10.0%	504	11.4%	1,042	7.6%	0	0.0%	1,042	2.8%
Total Providers ^c	5,649	100.0%	3,704	100.0%	4,413	100.0%	13,766	100.0%	24,084	100.0%	37,850	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	67		34		76		177		62		239	

^aCenter providers were not provided this response option; they were provided the response option "our own staff." Only FDCH providers were provided this response option.

^bOther includes cookbooks, nutritionists, parents, public school menus, etc.

^dA total of 122,270 (weighted)/ 216 (unweighted) of providers did not respond.

Research Question 19: What meals do CACFP providers serve on weekdays?

Exhibit 2.30: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Types of Meals and Snacks Served on Weekdays												
Types of Meals and Snacks Served on Weekdays	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a				
Breakfast	16,035	95.0%	13,434	85.0%	10,672	93.3%	40,141	91.0%	107,553	93.7%	147,694	92.9%
AM Snack	3,887	23.0%	4,049	25.6%	1,519	13.3%	9,456	21.4%	63,082	54.9%	72,538	45.6%
Lunch	16,532	97.9%	12,705	80.4%	11,023	96.4%	40,260	91.3%	111,736	97.3%	151,996	95.6%
PM Snack	16,308	96.6%	15,283	96.7%	9,044	79.1%	40,635	92.1%	104,574	91.1%	145,209	91.4%
Supper	1,673	9.9%	1,675	10.6%	31	0.3%	3,379	7.7%	45,733	39.8%	49,112	30.9%
Total Providers	16,879	100.0%	15,800	100.0%	11,437	100.0%	44,116	100.0%	114,825	100.0%	158,941	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	199		141		191		531		305		836	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

Exhibit 2.31: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Combinations of Meals and Snacks Served on Weekdays												
Combinations of Meals and Snacks Served on Weekdays	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Am Snack, Lunch, PM Snack	11,726	69.5%	8,846	56.0%	7,399	64.7%	27,970	63.4%	38,206	33.3%	66,176	41.6%
Breakfast, AM Snack, Lunch, PM Snack	2,193	13.0%	1,966	12.4%	1,061	9.3%	5,219	11.8%	25,296	22.0%	30,515	19.2%
Breakfast, AM Snack, Lunch, PM Snack, Supper	399	2.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	399	0.9%	20,270	17.7%	20,670	13.0%
Breakfast, AM Snack, Lunch, PM Snack, Supper, Evening Snack	354	2.1%	111	0.7%	0	0.0%	465	1.1%	8,544	7.4%	9,009	5.7%
Breakfast, Lunch, PM Snack, Supper	465	2.8%	398	2.5%	0	0.0%	863	2.0%	3,952	3.4%	4,814	3.0%
Other	1,742	10.3%	4,480	28.4%	2,977	26.0%	9,199	20.9%	18,558	16.2%	27,757	17.5%
Total Providers	16,879	100.0%	15,800	100.0%	11,437	100.0%	44,116	100.0%	114,825	100.0%	158,941	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	201		142		191		534		308		842	

^aProviders may be reimbursed for no more than two meals plus one snack or two snacks and one meal served to the same child. The survey question did not address whether these meals and snacks were served to the same children.

Research Question 20: What percentage of CACFP providers have at least one infant enrolled who receives breastmilk while in care?

Exhibit 2.32: Percentage of CACFP Providers that Serve Infants ^a												
Providers That Serve Infants	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Serve infants	11,991	72.1%	9,346	61.7%	3,249	28.9%	24,586	57.1%	88,558	78.1%	113,711	72.7%
Do not serve infants	4,637	27.9%	5,812	38.3%	8,000	71.1%	18,449	42.9%	24,804	21.9%	42,686	27.3%
Total Providers	16,628	100.0%	15,158	100.0%	11,249	100.0%	43,035	100.0%	113,362	100.0%	156,397	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	201		142		191		534		308		842	

^a"Infant" was not defined in the survey.

Exhibit 2.33: Percentage of CACFP Providers that Serving Infants ^a Receiving Breast Milk												
Providers that Serving Infants ^a Receiving Breast Milk	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
No infant receives breastmilk	5,590	43.3%	4,786	42.3%	3,553	70.1%	13,929	47.5%	47,832	57.3%	61,762	54.8%
At least one infant receives breastmilk	7,324	56.7%	6,538	57.7%	1,512	29.9%	15,374	52.5%	35,591	42.7%	50,966	45.2%
Total Providers	12,914	100.0%	11,324	100.0%	5,065	100.0%	29,303	100.0%	83,423	100.0%	112,728	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	199		140		190		529		300		829	

^a"Infant" was not defined in the survey.

Research Question 21: What percentage of meals served by CACFP providers are reimbursable vs. non-reimbursable by CACFP, by meal type (breakfast, lunch, supper, AM snack, PM snack)?

Exhibit 2.34: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Whether All Meals are Claimed for CACFP Reimbursement												
Claimed Meals for CACFP Reimbursement	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total All Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
All meals claimed for CACFP reimbursement	6,646	71.2%	7,769	77.7%	6,863	85.7%	21,278	77.8%	39,159	68.4%	60,437	71.5%
At least one meal not claimed for CACFP reimbursement	2,689	28.8%	2,231	22.3%	1,142	14.3%	6,062	22.2%	18,067	31.6%	24,129	28.5%
Total Providers	9,334	100.0%	10,000	100.0%	8,005	100.0%	27,339	100.0%	57,226	100.0%	84,566	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	110		88		135		333		158		491	

Exhibit 2.35: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Percentage of Meals Reimbursable by Meal Type ^a													
		Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
		Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Breakfast	0%	170	1.4%	163	1.6%	126	1.4%	458	1.4%	1,076	1.5%	1,534	1.5%
	Greater than 0% but less than 33.3%	75	0.6%	0	0.0%	135	1.4%	210	0.7%	946	1.3%	1,156	1.1%
	33.3% - 66.7%	1,208	10.0%	446	4.3%	215	2.3%	1,868	5.9%	7,577	10.6%	9,446	9.1%
	Greater than 66.6% but less than 100%	1,661	13.8%	846	8.1%	620	6.7%	3,127	9.9%	9,051	12.6%	12,178	11.8%
	100%	8,908	74.1%	8,954	86.0%	8,192	88.2%	26,054	82.1%	53,049	74.0%	79,103	76.5%
	Total Providers	12,022	100.0%	10,408	100.0%	9,287	100.0%	31,717	100.0%	71,700	100.0%	103,417	100.0%
	Total Unweighted Sample	143		96		152		391		186		577	
Lunch	0%	85	0.7%	56	0.6%	126	1.3%	267	0.8%	151	0.2%	418	0.4%
	Greater than 0% but less than 33.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	135	1.4%	135	0.4%	0	0.0%	135	0.1%
	33.3% - 66.7%	1,054	8.6%	331	3.4%	215	2.3%	1,601	5.1%	6,330	8.8%	7,930	7.7%
	Greater than 66.6% but less than 100%	1,422	11.6%	1,514	15.4%	812	8.5%	3,748	11.9%	5,887	8.2%	9,635	9.3%
	100%	9,643	79.0%	7,929	80.7%	82,57	86.5%	25,829	81.8%	59,241	82.7%	85,070	82.4%
	Total Providers	12,204	100.0%	9,831	100.0%	9,544	100.0%	31,579	100.0%	71,609	100.0%	103,188	100.0%
	Total Unweighted Sample	145		99		156		400		193		593	
Supper	0%	658	28.3%	81	11.3%	178	85.1%	917	28.3%	1,331	4.4%	2,248	6.7%
	Greater than 0% but less than 33.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	33.3% - 66.7%	347	14.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	347	10.7%	5,701	18.7%	6,047	18.0%
	Greater than 66.6% but less than 100%	245	10.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	245	7.6%	1,234	4.1%	1,480	4.4%
	100%	1,074	46.2%	632	88.7%	31	14.9%	1,737	53.5%	2,2149	72.8%	23,887	71.0%
	Total Providers	2,324	100.0%	713	100.0%	210	100.0%	3,247	100.0%	30,415	100.0%	33,662	100.0%
	Total Unweighted Sample	27		10		5		42		85		127	

Exhibit 2.35b: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Percentage of Snacks Reimbursable by Snack Type ^a													
		Child Care Centers								Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
		Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
		Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a				
Morning Snack	0%	892	27.5%	253	8.1%	274	26.6%	1,418	19.2%	4,070	10.9%	5,489	12.3%
	Greater than 0% but less than 33.3%	75	2.3%	0	0.0%	197	19.1%	272	3.7%	14,58	3.9%	1,730	3.9%
	33.3% - 66.7%	411	12.6%	328	10.6%	0	0.0%	738	10.0%	5,190	14.0%	5,929	13.3%
	Greater than 66.6% but less than 100%	598	18.4%	953	30.7%	41	4.0%	1,592	21.6%	2,388	6.4%	3,980	8.9%
	100%	1,270	39.1%	1,568	50.6%	517	50.3%	3,356	45.5%	24,064	64.7%	27,420	61.6%
	Total Providers	3,246	100.0%	3,102	100.0%	1,028	100.0%	73,76	100.0%	37,171	100.0%	44,547	100.0%
	Total Unweighted Sample	37		31		19		87		89		176	
Afternoon Snack	0%	85	0.7%	0	0.0%	197	2.7%	282	0.9%	3,350	4.6%	3,632	3.4%
	Greater than 0% but less than 33.3%	82	0.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	82	0.3%	1,718	2.3%	1,800	1.7%
	33.3% - 66.7%	1,170	9.5%	568	4.7%	77	1.0%	1,816	5.7%	7,897	10.7%	9,713	9.2%
	Greater than 66.6% but less than 100%	1,724	14.0%	1,300	10.7%	782	10.6%	3,806	11.9%	5,575	7.6%	9,381	8.9%
	100%	9,293	75.2%	10,311	84.7%	6,350	85.7%	25,954	81.3%	55,036	74.8%	80,990	76.8%
	Total Providers	12,355	100.0%	12,179	100.0%	7,406	100.0%	31,940	100.0%	73,576	100.0%	105,516	100.0%
	Total Unweighted Sample	147		109		126		382		188		570	
Evening Snack	0%	744	50.3%	0	0.0%	178	59.9%	923	45.8%	5,146	41.2%	6,069	41.8%
	Greater than 0% but less than 33.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	72	24.2%	72	3.6%	880	7.0%	952	6.6%
	33.3% - 66.7%	252	17.0%	43	18.4%	0	0.0%	295	14.7%	634	5.1%	929	6.4%
	Greater than 66.6% but less than 100%	259	17.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	259	12.9%	0	0.0%	259	1.8%
	100%	226	15.2%	191	81.6%	47	15.9%	464	23.1%	5,837	46.7%	6,302	43.4%
	Total Providers	1,481	100.0%	234	100.0%	298	100.0%	2,013	100.0%	12,497	100.0%	14,510	100.0%
	Total Unweighted Sample	16		4		6		26		30		56	

Research Question 22: What policies, if any, do CACFP providers have in place to address special dietary needs of children?

Exhibit 2.36: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Policies to Address Special Dietary Needs^a

Policies to Address Special Dietary Needs	Child Care Centers								Family Day Care		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Centers		Homes		Total Providers	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
Required medical documentation	9,594	86.1%	11,238	93.5%	8,873	96.8%	29,704	91.9%	10,299	69.2%	40,004	84.7%
Food substitutions	9,217	82.7%	10,752	89.4%	8,447	92.1%	28,417	87.9%	11,038	74.1%	39,455	83.5%
Meal pattern modifications	4,031	36.2%	5,987	49.8%	5,456	59.5%	15,474	47.9%	6,456	43.4%	21,930	46.4%
Maintain a nut-free environment	5,246	47.1%	7,324	60.9%	5,261	57.4%	17,830	55.1%	3,531	23.7%	21,362	45.2%
Child brings food from home	5,043	45.2%	6,153	51.2%	889	9.7%	12,085	37.4%	2,965	19.9%	15,050	31.9%
Other ^c	590	5.3%	289	2.4%	572	6.2%	1,451	4.5%	246	1.7%	1,697	3.6%
Total Providers	11,147	100.0%	12,023	100.0%	9,167	100.0%	32,337	100.0%	14,891	100.0%	47,229	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	131		108		151		390		43		433	

^aOnly 48,275 provides indicated that they served children with special diet needs. However, as shown above, many more providers (N = 76,118) have policies in place to address special dietary needs

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes having parents provide food substitutions such as soy milk or rice milk.

Research Question 23: What are the unsubsidized fees charged by CACFP providers for full-time child care? Does it vary by household income or other factors?

Exhibit 2.37: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Whether They Serve Children Whose Families Pay the Full Amount for Full Time Care

Payment for Full Time Care	Child Care Centers						Family Day Care		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Total Centers		Homes		Total Providers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
At least one family does not pay entire fee for care	16,015	95.8%	14,586	93.3%	30,601	94.6%	54,141	48.3%	84,743	58.6%
All families pay entire fee for care	705	4.2%	1,045	6.7%	1,751	5.4%	58,011	51.7%	59,762	41.4%
Total Providers	16,720	100.0%	15,632	100.0%	32,352	100.0%	112,152	100.0%	144,504	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	197		140		337		302		639	

Exhibit 2.38: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Per Child Hourly Fees Charged to Families That Pay Full Amount for Care^a

Fees Charged Per Child	Child Care Centers						Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Less than \$2.00	174	1.3%	148	1.5%	323	1.4%	2,042	2.5%	2,365	2.3%
\$2.00 - \$3.99	7,821	59.6%	4,244	42.1%	12,066	52.0%	53,940	66.7%	66,006	63.4%
\$4.00 - \$5.99	4,715	35.9%	3,772	37.4%	8,487	36.6%	20,848	25.8%	29,336	28.2%
\$6.00 or More	412	3.1%	1,917	19.0%	2,328	10.0%	40,67	5.0%	6,396	6.1%
Total Providers	13,123	100.0%	10,081	100.0%	23,204	100.0%	80,898	100.0%	104,102	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	\$2.41 (±\$0.10)		\$2.74 (±\$0.33)		\$2.54 (±\$0.19)		\$2.33 (±\$0.19)		\$2.38 (±\$0.17)	
Std. Error	\$0.05		\$0.16		\$0.09		\$0.10		\$0.09	
Total Unweighted Sample	156		99		255		213		468	

Exhibit 2.39: Percentage of CACFP Providers that Offer Child Care Discounts^a

	Child Care Centers						Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Do not offer discounts	6,143	40.5%	3,539	28.4%	9,682	35.0%	53,725	59.0%	63,407	53.4%
Offer discounts	9,034	59.5%	8,939	71.6%	17,973	65.0%	37,383	41.0%	55,356	46.6%
Total Providers	15,177	100.0%	12,478	100.0%	27,655	100.0%	91,108	100.0%	118,763	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	180		119		299		236		535	

Exhibit 2.40: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Basis of Child Care Discounts^a

Basis for Child Care Discounts	Child Care Centers						Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Total Centers		Sponsored		Total Providers	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
Multiple family members currently enrolled	7,157	80.8%	8,075	90.3%	15,232	85.6%	31,721	86.6%	469,53	86.3%
Children of employees at the organization or sponsoring agency	6,315	71.3%	5,950	66.6%	12,265	68.9%	8,172	22.3%	20,437	37.6%
Family income	1,840	20.8%	2,909	32.5%	4,749	26.7%	11,906	32.5%	16,655	30.6%
Other family member was previously enrolled	2,38	2.7%	187	2.1%	425	2.4%	7,544	20.6%	79,69	14.6%
Other ^c	1,384	15.6%	1,658	18.5%	3,042	17.1%	3,911	10.7%	6,953	12.8%
Total Providers	8,860	100.0%	8,939	100.0%	1,7799	100.0%	36,621	100.0%	54,420	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	105		81		186		95		281	

^aIncludes only providers who offer discounts (sN = 55,365 based on Exhibit 2.39).

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes corporate discounts, discounts for pre-payment, military discounts, discounts for single parents, etc

Research Question 24: What percentage of children in care have their fees paid in whole or in part from government child care subsidies?

Exhibit 2.41: Distribution of CACFP Providers by the Percentage of Enrolled Children with Care Paid by State or Local Child Care Subsidies^a

Percentage of Enrolled Children with Care Paid by State or Local Child Care Subsidies	Child Care Centers						Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Wtd. n	Wtd. n	Percent				
Less than 20%	3,540	26.5%	1,105	10.1%	4,645	19.1%	8,826	18.9%	13,471	19.0%
21 – 30%	1,381	10.4%	1,717	15.6%	3,099	12.7%	5,055	10.8%	8,153	11.5%
31% - 40%	15,88	11.9%	2,982	27.2%	4,570	18.8%	9,540	20.4%	14,110	19.9%
41% - 50%	2,912	21.8%	1,519	13.8%	4,430	18.2%	11,895	25.5%	16,326	23.0%
Greater than 50%	3,918	29.4%	3,657	33.3%	7,575	31.1%	11,342	24.3%	18,917	26.7%
Total Providers	13,338	100.0%	10,980	100.0%	24,318	100.0%	46,658	100.0%	70,977	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	39.88% (±4.88%)		43.74% (±5.05%)		42.19% (±4.97%)		42.11% (±4.66%)		41.94% (±3.64%)	
Std. Error	2.41%		2.49%		2.16%		2.30%		1.80%	
Total Unweighted Sample^b	158		102		260		136		396	

^a All or some of the care can be paid via State or local child care subsidies

^b A total of 89,143 (weighted)/ 446 (unweighted) providers did not provide a valid response.

Research Question 25: What percentage of providers charge any parents separately for meals?

Exhibit 2.42: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Whether They Charge Separately for Meals^a

Whether Providers Charge Separately for Meals	Child Care Centers						Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Meals and snacks included in child care cost	16,286	97.5%	14,869	93.4%	31,155	95.5%	114,896	99.9%	146,051	98.9%
Separate fee for meals and snacks	418	2.5%	1,054	6.6%	1,472	4.5%	97	0.1%	1,569	1.1%
Total Providers	16,704	100.0%	15,923	100.0%	32,627	100.0%	114,993	100.0%	147,620	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	197		142		239		304		643	

^aProviders can charge separately for meals if their fee for care is not a comprehensive fee that includes meals. This question focuses on meal payment outside of a basic child care fee.

Research Question 26: FOR FDCHs: What percentage of FDCH providers have no source of child care revenue other than CACFP meal reimbursements?

Exhibit 2.43: Distribution of FDCH Providers by Sources of Child Care Revenue Other Than CACFP Meal Reimbursements		
	Wtd. n	Percent
Have sources of child care revenue other than CACFP meal reimbursements	89,304	99.3%
Have no sources of child care revenue other than CACFP meal reimbursements	635	0.7%
Total All FDCHs ^a	89,939	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	235	

^aA total of 26,790 (weighted) / 75 (unweighted) or FDCH providers did not know or did not answer this question.

Research Question 27: What is the usual frequency and duration of CACFP monitoring visits by sponsors?

Exhibit 2.44: Distribution of CACFP Providers by the Frequency of Monitoring Visits by Sponsors								
Frequency of Monitoring Visits by CACFP Sponsors	Child Care Centers ^a		Head Start Centers ^a		Family Day Care		Total Providers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Do not receive monitoring visits	1,874	11.8%	1,726	15.1%	1,162	1.0%	4,762	3.3%
1 per year	3,052	19.2%	862	7.6%	2,305	2.0%	6,219	4.4%
2 per year	1,790	11.3%	535	4.7%	10,595	9.2%	12,920	9.1%
3 per year	5,406	34.0%	6,325	55.5%	40,952	35.5%	52,682	37.0%
4 per year	3,245	20.4%	1,052	9.2%	51,642	44.8%	55,939	39.2%
More than 4 per year	520	3.3%	901	7.9%	8,614	7.5%	10,025	7.0%
Total Providers	15,887	100.0%	11,401	100.0%	115,270	100.0%	142,547	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	2.57 (±0.43)		2.98 (±0.55)		3.52 (±0.20)		3.03 (±0.20)	
Std. Error	0.21		0.28		0.10		0.16	
Total Unweighted Sample	141		190		306		637	

^aExcludes independent child care centers and independent Head Start centers.

Exhibit 2.45: Distribution of CACFP Providers by the Duration of Monitoring Visits by Sponsors								
Duration of Monitoring Visits by CACFP Sponsors	Type of Provider							
	Child Care Centers ^a		Head Start Centers ^a		Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Do not receive monitoring visits	1,874	11.8%	1,726	15.1%	1,162	1.0%	4,762	3.3%
15 minutes or less	0	0.0%	232	2.4%	5,922	5.2%	6,154	4.5%
16 – 30 minutes	1,916	15.2%	1,143	12.0%	53,768	47.4%	56,827	41.9%
31 – 45 minutes	1,221	9.7%	979	10.3%	24,488	21.6%	26,687	19.7%
46 – 60 minutes	4,208	33.5%	2,073	21.7%	24,501	21.6%	30,783	22.7%
61 – 90 minutes	1,400	11.1%	2,260	23.7%	2,398	2.1%	6,057	4.5%
91 – 120 minutes	1,747	13.9%	1,827	19.1%	1,788	1.6%	53,61	4.0%
More than 120 minutes	2,073	16.5%	1,029	10.8%	581	0.5%	3,683	2.7%
Total Providers	12,565	100.0%	9,542	100.0%	113,446	100.0%	135,553	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	86.62 (±17.4)		91.03 (±14.6)		39.67 (±3.4)		73.4 (±0.10)	
Std. Error	8.6		7.3		1.7		0.6	
Total Unweighted Sample	142		191		308		641	

^aExcludes independent child care centers and independent Head Start centers.

Exhibit 2.46: Distribution of CACFP Child Care Centers by the Frequency and Duration of Monitoring Visits by CACFP Sponsors														
Frequency of Monitoring Visits by CACFP Sponsors	Average Duration of Monitoring Visits (Minutes)													
	16 – 30 ^b		31 - 45		46 - 60		61 - 90		91 – 120		More than 120		Total Providers ^a	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
1 per year	467	24.4%	177	14.5%	272	6.5%	155	11.1%	270	15.4%	869	41.9%	2,210	17.6%
2 per year	318	16.6%	496	40.6%	493	11.7%	153	10.9%	56	3.2%	239	11.5%	1,754	14.0%
3 per year	549	28.7%	296	24.3%	2,179	51.8%	733	52.4%	778	44.5%	870	42.0%	5,406	43.0%
4 per year	582	30.4%	145	11.9%	1,082	25.7%	209	14.9%	612	35.0%	44	2.1%	2,675	21.3%
More than 4	0	0.0%	106	8.7%	181	4.3%	150	10.7%	31	1.8%	51	2.5%	520	4.1%
Total Providers	1,916	100.0%	1,221	100.0%	42,08	100.0%	1,400	100.0%	,1747	100.0%	2,073	100.0%	12,565	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	20		10		32		10		19		22		113	

^aExcludes independent child care centers and sponsored centers that do not receive any monitoring visits.

^bNo visits were reported to be 15 minutes or fewer.

Exhibit 2.47: Distribution of Head Start Centers^a by the Frequency and Duration of Monitoring Visits by CACFP Sponsors																	
Frequency of Monitoring Visits by CACFP Sponsors	Average Duration of Monitoring Visits (Minutes)															Total Providers	
	15 or Fewer		16 – 30 ^b		31 - 45		46 - 60		61 - 90		91 – 120		More than 120				
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	
1 per year	0	0.0%	213	18.7%	0	0.0%	77	3.7%	95	4.2%	300	16.4%	177	17.2%	862	9.1%	
2 per year	57	24.7%	18	1.6%	93	9.9%	249	12.0%	63	2.8%	55	3.0%	0	0.0%	535	5.6%	
3 per year	0	0.0%	542	47.4%	730	77.4%	1,431	69.0%	1,951	86.3%	748	41.0%	754	73.3%	6,156	64.8%	
4 per year	0	0.0%	162	14.2%	120	12.7%	249	12.0%	80	3.6%	417	22.8%	25	2.4%	1,052	11.1%	
More than 4	175	75.3%	208	18.2%	0	0.0%	69	3.3%	70	3.1%	306	16.8%	73	7.1%	901	9.5%	
Total Providers	232	100.0%	1,143	100.0%	943	100.0%	2,073	100.0%	2,260	100.0%	1,827	100.0%	1,029	100.0%	9,507	100.0%	
Total Unweighted Sample	2		18		16		36		33		32		20		157		

^aExcludes independent Head Start centers and Head Start centers that do not receive any monitoring visits.

Exhibit 2.48: Distribution of Head Start Centers^a by the Duration and Frequency of Monitoring Visits by CACFP Sponsors														
Duration of Monitoring Visits by CACFP Sponsors	Visits per Year												Total Providers	
	1		2		3		4		Greater than 4					
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
15 minutes or less	0	0.0%	57	10.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	175	19.4%	232	2.4%		
16 – 30 minutes ^b	213	24.7%	18	3.4%	542	8.8%	162	15.4%	208	23.1%	1,143	12.0%		
31 – 45 minutes	0	0.0%	93	17.5%	730	11.9%	120	11.4%	0	0.0%	943	9.9%		
46 - 60 minutes	77	8.9%	249	46.5%	1,431	23.2%	249	23.6%	69	7.6%	20,73	21.8%		
61 – 90 minutes	95	11.0%	63	11.8%	1,951	31.7%	80	7.6%	70	7.8%	2,260	23.8%		
91 – 120 minutes	300	34.8%	55	10.2%	748	12.2%	417	39.6%	306	34.0%	1,827	19.2%		
More than 120 minutes	177	20.6%	0	0.0%	754	12.2%	25	2.3%	73	8.1%	1,029	10.8%		
Total Providers	862	100.0%	535	100.0%	6,156	100.0%	1,052	100.0%	901	100.0%	9,507	100.0%		
Total Unweighted Sample	15		11		101		17		13		157			

^aExcludes independent Head Start centers and Head Start centers that do not receive any monitoring visits.

Exhibit 2.49: Distribution of Family Day Care Home Providers by the Frequency and Duration of Monitoring Visits by CACFP Sponsors																
Frequency of Monitoring Visits by CACFP Sponsors	Average Duration of Monitoring Visits (Minutes)															
	15 or Fewer		16 - 30		31 - 45		46 - 60		61 - 90		91 - 120		More than 120		Total FDCHs	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
1 per year	0	0.0%	1,342	2.5%	0	0.0%	740	3.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2,082	1.8%
2 per year	0	0.0%	5,553	10.3%	1,766	7.2%	3,049	12.4%	53	2.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	10,421	9.2%
3 per year	1,725	29.1%	16,957	31.5%	10,953	44.9%	10,596	43.2%	665	27.7%	0	0.0%	57	9.7%	40,952	36.1%
4 per year	3,839	64.8%	25,929	48.2%	9,352	38.3%	8,233	33.6%	1,678	70.0%	1,788	100.0%	524	90.3%	51,343	45.3%
More than 4	358	6.1%	3,988	7.4%	2,324	9.5%	1,883	7.7%	2	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	8,555	7.5%
Total FDCHs	5,922	100.0%	53,768	100.0%	24,394	100.0%	24,501	100.0%	2,398	100.0%	1,788	100.0%	581	100.0%	113,352	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	17		130		67		67		11		4		2		298	

Exhibit 2.50: Distribution of Family Day Care Home Providers by the Duration and Frequency of Monitoring Visits by CACFP Sponsors													
Duration of Monitoring Visits by CACFP Sponsors	Visits per Year												
	1		2		3		4		Greater than 4		Total FDCHs		
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	
15 minutes or less	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1,725	4.2%	3,839	7.5%	358	4.2%	5,922	5.2%	
16 - 30 minutes	1,342	64.5%	5,553	53.3%	16,957	41.4%	25,929	50.5%	3,988	46.6%	53,768	47.4%	
31 - 45 minutes	0	0.0%	1,766	16.9%	10,953	26.7%	9,352	18.2%	2,324	27.2%	24,394	21.5%	
46 - 60 minutes	740	35.5%	3,049	29.3%	10,596	25.9%	8,233	16.0%	1,883	22.0%	24,501	21.6%	
61 - 90 minutes	0	0.0%	53	0.5%	665	1.6%	1,678	3.3%	2	0.0%	2,398	2.1%	
91 - 120 minutes	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1,788	3.5%	0	0.0%	1,788	1.6%	
More than 120 minutes	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	57	0.1%	524	1.0%	0	0.0%	581	0.5%	
Total FDCHs	2,082	100.0%	10,421	100.0%	40,952	100.0%	51,343	100.0%	8,555	100.0%	113,352	100.0%	
Total Unweighted Sample	7		31		109		128		23		298		

Exhibit 2.51: Distribution of All CACFP Providers^a by the Frequency and Duration of Monitoring Visits by CACFP Sponsors																
Frequency of Monitoring Visits by CACFP Sponsors	Average Duration of Monitoring Visits (Minutes)															
	15 or Fewer		16 - 30		31 - 45		46 - 60		61 - 90		91 - 120		More than 120		Total Providers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
1 per year	0	0.0%	1,809	30.5%	177	3.0%	1,012	17.1%	155	2.6%	270	4.6%	869	14.7%	4,292	3.4%
2 per year	0	0.0%	5,871	99.1%	2,262	38.2%	3,542	59.8%	206	3.5%	56	0.9%	239	4.0%	12,175	9.7%
3 per year	1,725	29.1%	17,506	295.6%	11,249	190.0%	12,775	215.7%	1,398	23.6%	778	13.1%	927	15.7%	46,358	36.8%
4 per year	3,839	64.8%	26,511	447.7%	9,497	160.4%	9,315	157.3%	1,887	31.9%	2,400	40.5%	568	9.6%	54,018	42.9%
More than 4	358	6.0%	3,988	67.3%	2,430	41.0%	2,064	34.9%	152	2.6%	31	0.5%	51	0.9%	9,075	7.2%
Total Providers	5,922	100.0%	55,684	940.3%	25,615	432.5%	28,709	484.8%	3,798	64.1%	3,535	59.7%	2,654	44.8%	125,917	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	17		150		77		99		21		23		24		411	

^aExcludes independent child care centers and independent Head Start centers.

Exhibit 2.52: Distribution of All CACFP Providers^a by Duration and Frequency of Monitoring Visits by CACFP Sponsors													
Duration of Monitoring Visits by CACFP Sponsors	Visits per Year												
	1		2		3		4		Greater than 4		Total Providers		
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	
15 minutes or less	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1,725	3.7%	3,839	7.1%	358	3.9%	5,922	4.7%	
16 - 30 minutes	1,809	42.1%	5,871	48.2%	17,506	37.8%	26,511	49.1%	3,988	43.9%	55,684	44.2%	
31 - 45 minutes	177	4.1%	2,262	18.6%	11,249	24.3%	9,497	17.6%	2,430	26.8%	25,615	20.3%	
46 - 60 minutes	1,012	23.6%	3,542	29.1%	12,775	27.6%	9,315	17.2%	2,064	22.7%	28,709	22.8%	
61 - 90 minutes	155	3.6%	206	1.7%	1,398	3.0%	1,887	3.5%	152	1.7%	3,798	3.0%	
91 - 120 minutes	270	6.3%	56	0.5%	778	1.7%	2,400	4.4%	31	0.3%	3,535	2.8%	
More than 120 minutes	869	20.2%	239	2.0%	927	2.0%	568	1.1%	51	0.6%	2,654	2.1%	
Total Providers	4,292	100.0%	12,175	100.0%	46,358	100.0%	54,018	100.0%	9,075	100.0%	125,917	100.0%	
Total Unweighted Sample	32		44		156		150		29		411		

^aExcludes independent child care centers and independent Head Start centers.

Research Question 28: What are the primary areas reviewed by sponsors during monitoring visits?

Exhibit 2.53: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Enrollment-related Topics Reviewed During Monitoring Visits

Enrollment-related Topics Reviewed During Monitoring Visits	Child Care Centers ^a		Head Start Centers ^a		Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
Existing and current enrollment records	11,210	76.3%	8,237	75.6%	104,669	101.5%	124,116	96.5%
Follow health and safety guidelines	12,759	86.9%	8,973	82.4%	94,671	91.8%	116,404	90.5%
Attendance is less than or equal to licensed capacity	9,905	67.4%	7,264	66.7%	98,660	95.7%	115,829	90.0%
Current child care license	10,029	68.3%	7,829	71.9%	91,298	88.6%	109,156	84.8%
Documented food allergies	12,245	83.4%	8,390	77.0%	63,416	61.5%	84,051	65.3%
Other ^c	521	3.5%	832	7.6%	9,667	9.4%	11,019	8.6%
Do not receive monitoring visits	1,874	12.8%	1,726	15.8%	1,162	1.1%	4,762	3.7%
Total Providers^b	14,687	100.0%	10,894	100.0%	103,095	100.0%	128,676	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	133		182		273		588	

^aExcludes independent child care centers and independent Head Start centers. Includes only those who received monitoring visits (N = 137,785 based on Exhibit 2.44).

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes: menus follow meal pattern, up-to-date fire/safety inspections, current meal counts, etc.

Research Question 29: What percentage of providers receive advance notice of monitoring visits?

Exhibit 2.54: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Whether They Receive Unannounced Monitoring Visits by CACFP Sponsors

	Child Care Centers ^a		Head Start Centers ^a		Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Receive unannounced visits	7,261	49.4%	4,832	43.0%	59,684	55.3%	71,776	53.6%
Do not receive unannounced visits	7,439	50.6%	6,401	57.0%	48,321	44.7%	62,161	46.4%
Total Providers	14,700	100.0%	11,233	100.0%	108,005	100.0%	133,937	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	130		187		285		602	

^aExcludes independent child care and independent Head Start centers.

Exhibit 2.55: Distribution of CACFP Providers by the Proportion of Announced CACFP Monitoring Visits								
Proportion of Announced Visits	Child Care Centers ^a		Head Start Centers ^a		Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Advance notice is never provided	10,557	66.3%	8,748	77.5%	59,684	65.0%	91,688	67.7%
Advance notice is provided for less than 33.3% of visits	1,802	11.3%	1,192	10.6%	16,533	18.0%	23,322	17.2%
Advance notice is provided for 33.3% - 66.7% of visits	795	5.0%	218	1.9%	6,096	6.6%	7,109	5.2%
Advance notice is provided for more than 66.7% but not all visits	102	0.6%	0	0.0%	1,285	1.4%	1,387	1.0%
Advance notice is always provided	2,666	16.7%	1,133	10.0%	8,172	8.9%	11,971	8.8%
Total Providers	15,923	100.0%	11,292	100.0%	91,769	100.0%	135,478	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	142		188		240		570	

^aExcludes independent child care and independent Head Start centers.

Research Question 30: For Child Care and Head Start Centers: How many staff do CACFP participating child care centers employ?

Exhibit 2.56: Distribution of Child Care Centers by the Number of Employees ^{a, b}								
Number of Employees	Child Care Centers						Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start			
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
1 - 5	1,984	11.7%	2,669	16.9%	3,481	30.4%	8,135	18.4%
6 - 10	4,362	25.8%	3,452	21.9%	3,268	28.6%	11,082	25.1%
11-15	4,443	26.3%	3,034	19.2%	1,728	15.1%	9,206	20.9%
16-20	2,035	12.0%	2,516	15.9%	693	6.1%	5,244	11.9%
Greater than 20	4,074	24.1%	4,114	26.1%	2,266	19.8%	10,454	23.7%
Total Providers	16,897	100.0%	15,785	100.0%	11,437	100.0%	44,119	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	15.90 (±1.82)		16.13 (±2.63)		15.02 (±3.41)		15.76 (±1.62)	
Std. Error	0.90		1.30		1.68		0.80	
Total Unweighted Sample	199		140		191		530	

^aIncludes owner/proprietor.

^bPart-time and full-time staff were counted equally.

Exhibit 2.57: Distribution of All Child Care Centers by Total Enrollment and Total Number of Employees^a												
Number of Employees	Number of Children Enrolled											
	1-25		26-50		51-75		76-100		More than 100		Total Providers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
1 - 5	4,625	64.0%	2,564	25.7%	177	2.2%	211	3.6%	410	3.5%	7,987	18.7%
6 - 10	2,123	29.4%	4,834	48.5%	2,395	29.6%	851	14.4%	581	5.0%	10,784	25.2%
11 - 15	478	6.6%	1,875	18.8%	3,184	39.4%	1,984	33.5%	1,373	11.8%	8,893	20.8%
16 - 20	0	0.0%	441	4.4%	1,258	15.6%	1,572	26.5%	1,644	14.2%	4,916	11.5%
21 - 25	0	0.0%	112	1.1%	535	6.6%	885	14.9%	2,350	20.3%	3,882	9.1%
Greater than 25	0	0.0%	139	1.4%	528	6.5%	421	7.1%	5,247	45.2%	6,336	14.8%
Total Providers	7,226	100.0%	9,966	100.0%	8,076	100.0%	5,924	100.0%	11,606	100.0%	42,798	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	79		126		103		70		136		514	

^aIncludes owner/proprietor.

^bPart-time and full-time staff were counted equally.

Exhibit 2.58: Distribution of Independent Child Care Centers by Total Enrollment and Total Number of Employees^a												
Number of Employees	Number of Children Enrolled											
	1-25		26-50		51-75		76-100		More than 100		Total Providers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
1 - 5	1,039	72.1%	682	17.9%	177	4.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1,898	11.5%
6 - 10	267	18.6%	2,276	59.7%	1,322	31.0%	163	5.8%	160	3.9%	4,189	25.4%
11 - 15	135	9.4%	594	15.6%	1,438	33.7%	1,311	46.6%	801	19.4%	4,278	26.0%
16 - 20	0	0.0%	88	2.3%	832	19.5%	598	21.2%	518	12.5%	2,035	12.4%
21 - 25	0	0.0%	86	2.3%	255	6.0%	410	14.6%	916	22.1%	1,667	10.1%
Greater than 25	0	0.0%	88	2.3%	242	5.7%	332	11.8%	1,744	42.1%	2,406	14.6%
Total Providers	1,442	100.0%	3,814	100.0%	4,266	100.0%	2,814	100.0%	4,137	100.0%	16,473	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	16		44		51		34		49		194	

^aIncludes owner/proprietor.

^bPart-time and full-time staff were counted equally.

Exhibit 2.59: Distribution of Sponsored Child Care Centers by Total Enrollment and Total Number of Employees^a												
Number of Employees	Number of Children Enrolled											
	1-25		26-50		51-75		76-100		More than 100		Total Providers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
1 - 5	1,263	54.8%	958	30.1%	0	0.0%	211	9.4%	175	3.7%	2,608	17.3%
6 - 10	933	40.5%	1,131	35.5%	753	28.5%	439	19.6%	195	4.1%	3,452	22.9%
11 - 15	106	4.6%	816	25.6%	1,234	46.7%	204	9.1%	552	11.7%	2,911	19.3%
16 - 20	0	0.0%	282	8.9%	372	14.1%	909	40.6%	625	13.3%	2,188	14.5%
21 - 25	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	122	4.6%	412	18.4%	946	20.1%	1,480	9.8%
Greater than 25	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	160	6.0%	61	2.7%	2,216	47.0%	2,437	16.2%
Total Providers	2,302	100.0%	3,187	100.0%	2,640	100.0%	22,36	100.0%	4,710	100.0%	15,075	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	13		29		28		22		42		134	

^aIncludes owner/proprietor.

^bPart-time and full-time staff were counted equally.

Exhibit 2.60: Distribution of Head Start Centers by Total Enrollment and Total Number of Employees ^a												
Number of Employees	Number of Children Enrolled											
	1-25		26-50		51-75		76-100		More than 100		Total Providers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
1 - 5	23,24	66.7%	9,23	31.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	234	8.5%	3,481	30.9%
6 - 10	922	26.5%	1,427	48.1%	319	27.3%	249	28.5%	226	8.2%	3,143	27.9%
11 - 15	236	6.8%	466	15.7%	513	43.8%	469	53.6%	20	0.7%	1,704	15.1%
16 - 20	0	0.0%	71	2.4%	55	4.7%	66	7.6%	501	18.2%	693	6.2%
21 - 25	0	0.0%	25	0.9%	157	13.4%	63	7.2%	489	17.7%	735	6.5%
Greater than 25	0	0.0%	51	1.7%	126	10.8%	27	3.1%	1,288	46.7%	1,493	13.3%
Total Providers	3,482	100.0%	2,964	100.0%	1,170	100.0%	874	100.0%	2,759	100.0%	11,249	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	50		53		24		14		45		186	

^aIncludes owner/proprietor.

^bPart-time and full-time staff were counted equally.

Research Question 31: What is average scheduled child to staff ratio for 3 - 5 year olds at CACFP-participating child care centers?

Exhibit 2.61: Distribution of CACFP Child Care Centers by Average Number of Children per Adult for 3 - 5 Year Olds on Weekdays ^a								
Child to Staff Ratio	Child Care Centers						Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start Centers		Total Providers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Less than 4:1	874	5.4%	764	5.4%	1,010	9.5%	2,648	6.5%
4:1 – 6:1	2,385	14.8%	1,915	13.5%	2,599	24.3%	6,899	16.8%
7:1 – 10:1	9,026	56.0%	8,939	62.9%	6,549	61.3%	24,515	59.7%
More than 10:1	3,844	23.8%	2,598	18.3%	527	4.9%	6,969	17.0%
Total Providers	16,129	100.0%	14,216	100.0%	10,685	100.0%	41,030	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	9.53 (±0.89)		9.43 (±1.49)		7.41 (±0.98)		8.94 (±0.69)	
Std. Error	0.44		0.73		0.49		0.34	
Total Unweighted Sample	191		125		179		495	

^aIncludes owner/proprietor.

Research Question 32: Do providers use a language other than English as the primary language? If so what language(s) do they use?

Exhibit 2.62: Distribution of CACFP Child Care Centers by Whether the Children Speak a Language Other than English								
Children Speak Language Other than English	Child Care Centers						Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Total Providers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
At least one child speaks a language other than English	9,642	59.0%	9,691	65.7%	7,209	63.6%	26,542	62.6%
All children speak English only	6,691	41.0%	5,068	34.3%	4,127	36.4%	15,887	37.4%
Total Providers	16,333	100.0%	14,760	100.0%	11,336	100.0%	42,428	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	193		132		189		514	

Exhibit 2.63: Distribution of CACFP Child Care Centers by Whether At Least One Person on Staff Speaks the Same Language as a Non-English-Speaking Child ^a								
Staff Speaks Language Other than English	Child Care Centers						Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent		
At least one staff person speaks the same language as the child	6,896	72.1%	7,546	78.7%	6,481	90.2%	20,923	79.5%
No staff speak the same language as the child	2,666	27.9%	2,039	21.3%	704	9.8%	5,409	20.5%
Total Providers	9,562	100.0%	9,585	100.0%	7,185	100.0%	26,332	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^a	114		79		121		314	

^aIncludes only providers with at least one non-English speaking child enrolled.

Exhibit 2.64: Distribution of CACFP Child Care Centers by Primary Language Spoken								
Primary Language Spoken	Child Care Centers						Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent		
English only	9,052	53.1%	9,127	57.3%	6,580	57.5%	24,758	55.7%
Spanish	6,743	39.5%	7,158	45.0%	6,311	55.2%	20,212	45.5%
Other languages ^a	1,672	9.8%	1,771	11.1%	1,983	17.3%	5,426	12.2%
Total Providers^b	17,052	100.0%	15,923	100.0%	11,437	100.0%	44,412	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	201		142		191		534	

^aOther includes Yiddish, Italian, and a mix of Spanish and English, depending upon child's age.

^bNo centers indicated that they primarily used Vietnamese or Korean.

Research Question 33: How many training sessions on CACFP topics did centers conduct for their staff during the past year?

Exhibit 2.65: Distribution of Child Care Centers by the Number of CACFP-Related Training Sessions Offered to Their Staff

CACFP Training Sessions Offered	Child Care Centers						Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start			
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Center did not offer training	3,795	24.4%	3,287	22.4%	2,441	23.1%	9,523	23.3%
1 training session	4,561	29.3%	2,137	14.5%	2,093	19.8%	8,790	21.5%
2 training sessions	4,152	26.7%	4,064	27.7%	2,678	25.3%	10,895	26.7%
3 training sessions	1,612	10.4%	1,644	11.2%	1,454	13.7%	4,710	11.5%
Greater than 3 training sessions	14,24	9.2%	3,562	24.2%	1,924	18.2%	6,910	16.9%
Total Providers	15,543	100.0%	14,695	100.0%	10,590	100.0%	40,828	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	201		142		191		534	

Research Question 34: What percentage of child care center staff with food service responsibilities have training in food service (i.e., nutrition, menu planning, food purchasing, food storage, food preparation and food safety)?

Exhibit 2.66: Percentage of Providers with Employees Who Have Received Training in Food Service^a

Employee Trained in Food Service	Child Care Centers						Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start			
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Employees have not received food service training	319	1.9%	83	0.6%	256	2.6%	658	1.6%
Employees have received any food service training	16,165	98.1%	14,300	99.4%	9,544	97.4%	40,009	98.4%
Total Providers	16,484	100.0%	14,383	100.0%	9,800	100.0%	40,667	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	194		130		167		491	

^aIncludes owner/proprietor.

Exhibit 2.67: Distribution of CACFP Child Care Centers by the Percentage of Staff with Food Service Training^a

Percentage of Staff with Training in Food Service ^a	Child Care Centers						Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start			
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
None	319	2.0%	83	0.6%	256	2.6%	658	1.6%
1% - 20%	1,521	9.4%	2,746	19.1%	1,699	17.3%	5,966	14.8%
21% - 40%	770	4.7%	1,279	8.9%	356	3.6%	2,405	6.0%
41% - 60%	2,964	18.3%	630	4.4%	144	1.5%	3,738	9.2%
More than 60%	10,659	65.7%	9,645	67.1%	7,345	74.9%	27,648	68.4%
Total Providers	16,233	100.0%	14,383	100.0%	9,800	100.0%	40,416	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	82.7% (±4.4%)		85.6% (±7.9%)		94.9% (±3.3%)		86.5% (±3.9%)	
Std. Error	2.2%		3.9%		1.7%		1.9%	
Total Unweighted Sample	191		130		167		488	

^aIncludes owner/proprietor.

Research Question 35: Do provider staff utilize the internet? If so, for what purposes?

Exhibit 2.68: Distribution of Providers by Whether Staff Have Access to the Internet^a

Staff Have Internet Access	Child Care Centers						Family Day Care Homes ^a		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Head Start		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Staff have access to the Internet	16,625	97.5%	14,947	95.3%	11,277	99.4%	99,248	86.0%	142,097	89.1%
Staff do not have access to the Internet	427	2.5%	742	4.7%	66	0.6%	16,198	14.0%	17,433	10.9%
Total Providers	17,052	100.0%	15,688	100.0%	11,343	100.0%	11,5447	100.0%	159,530	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	201		140		190		304		835	

^aIncludes owner/proprietor.

TRAINING AND SERVICES RECEIVED FROM SPONSORS

Research Question 36: What training and services do centers and homes report receiving from their sponsoring organization?

Exhibit 2.69: Distribution of Sponsored CACFP Child Care Centers and Homes by Training and Technical Assistance Provided by Their Sponsor Organization in the Past 12 Months								
Training and Technical Assistance Topics	Sponsored Centers				Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Did not receive training from sponsor	1,792	11.3%	1,360	12.0%	12,406	11.3%	15,558	11.4%
CACFP meal requirements	12,422	78.6%	9,551	84.5%	83,876	76.7%	105,849	77.5%
Nutrition education	7,808	49.4%	7,344	65.0%	81,178	74.2%	96,330	70.6%
CACFP recordkeeping requirements	12,812	81.0%	8,942	79.1%	71,873	65.7%	93,627	68.6%
Menu planning/sample menus	92,06	58.2%	5,818	51.5%	73,924	67.6%	88,948	65.1%
Food safety/food service operations	9,914	62.7%	7,647	67.6%	65,251	59.6%	82,812	60.7%
Food preparation	8,373	53.0%	5,775	51.1%	66,533	60.8%	80,681	59.1%
Preparing and filing monthly reimbursement claims	7,368	46.6%	4,746	42.0%	59,310	54.2%	71,424	52.3%
CACFP monitoring requirements	8,729	55.2%	7,424	65.7%	54,269	49.6%	70,422	51.6%
USDA civil rights requirements	10,510	66.5%	8,603	76.1%	49,249	45.0%	68,363	50.1%
Food purchasing	6,889	43.6%	4,790	42.4%	47,664	43.6%	5,9343	43.5%
Physical activity in child care	4,216	26.7%	4,903	43.4%	44,459	40.6%	53,578	39.2%
Obesity prevention	3,287	20.8%	4,065	36.0%	46,066	42.1%	53,418	39.1%
Maintaining confidentiality	7,040	44.5%	5,202	46.0%	38,220	34.9%	50,462	37.0%
Defining serious deficiencies	3,844	24.3%	2,789	24.7%	37,947	34.7%	44,580	32.7%
Recognizing abuse and neglect	3,559	22.5%	3,773	33.4%	35,276	32.2%	42,608	31.2%
Best practices in child care	3,567	22.6%	3,862	34.2%	33,132	30.3%	40,560	29.7%
Parent relations	3,583	22.7%	2,160	19.1%	33,378	30.5%	39,121	28.7%
Appeals process for serious deficiencies	2,100	13.3%	1,748	15.5%	26,030	23.8%	29,877	21.9%
Staff wellness	2,846	18.0%	3,004	26.6%	21,320	19.5%	27,171	19.9%
Other ^b	735	4.6%	462	4.1%	8,866	8.1%	10,063	7.4%
For-profit center eligibility	7,674	48.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	7,674	5.6%
Total Providers	15,922	100.0%	11,405	100.0%	109,413	100.0%	136,529	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	142		191		308		641	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^bOther includes portion sizes, container gardening, fitness, sanitation / hygiene, teaching strategies, etc.

Research Question 37: What are the most common formats of training providers report receiving from their sponsoring organization?

Exhibit 2.70: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Most Common Formats for Training and Technical Assistance^a

Training and Technical Assistance Formats	Sponsored Centers				Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
In-person group classes or workshops	9,854	77.2%	7,165	76.0%	59,400	63.6%	76,419	66.1%
Web-based	1,255	9.8%	1,791	19.0%	13,257	14.2%	16,303	14.1%
One-on-one (individualized)	1,529	12.0%	323	3.4%	12,306	13.2%	14,158	12.3%
Other ^b	123	1.0%	145	1.5%	8,404	9.0%	8,672	7.5%
Total Providers	12,762	100.0%	9,424	100.0%	93,367	100.0%	115,553	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	109		154		254		517	

^aIncludes only providers that receive training from their sponsor.

^bOther includes newsletter, packets, printed materials for studying at home, and videos.

Research Question 38: How satisfied are providers with the CACFP? (Including satisfaction with services they receive from their sponsors and for Independent Centers the services they receive from the State CACFP Agency, and with the meal reimbursement levels?)

Exhibit 2.71: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Level of Satisfaction with CACFP Sponsoring Organization

Level of Satisfaction with CACFP Sponsoring Organization	Sponsored Centers				Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Child Care Centers		Head Start Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Very satisfied	9,309	66.4%	6,192	62.2%	72,716	72.0%	88,216	70.6%
Satisfied	3,656	26.1%	3,426	34.4%	24,493	24.3%	31,575	25.3%
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	904	6.4%	303	3.0%	2,238	2.2%	3,446	2.8%
Dissatisfied	151	1.1%	28	0.3%	699	0.7%	878	0.7%
Very dissatisfied	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	837	0.8%	837	0.7%
Total Providers	14,020	100.0%	9,949	100.0%	100,984	100.0%	124,953	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	119		160		272		551	

PROVIDERS' PERCEPTIONS OF THE CACFP

Research Question 39: What are CACFP providers' perception of the importance of the CACFP?

Benefits of the CACFP	Child Care Centers				Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a						
Helps children develop healthy eating habits	9,039	55.0%	8,768	57.6%	4,098	36.5%	71,460	67.4%	93,366	62.7%
Feeds children who otherwise have limited access to food	9,818	59.8%	10,280	67.5%	7,338	65.3%	48,038	45.3%	75,475	50.7%
Helps teach providers how to plan and prepare nutritious meals	4,905	29.9%	3,958	26.0%	922	8.2%	50,492	47.6%	60,277	40.5%
Helps lower the cost of child care for both providers and parents	5,160	31.4%	3,771	24.8%	0	0.0%	33,742	31.8%	42,672	28.6%
Helps child care program stay in business	3,927	23.9%	2,160	14.2%	441	3.9%	29,835	28.1%	36,363	24.4%
Helps parents learn the importance of healthy eating habits	1,792	10.9%	2,619	17.2%	0	0.0%	19,523	18.4%	23,935	16.1%
Is an important part of the social safety net	2,878	17.5%	24,90	16.4%	889	7.9%	17,034	16.1%	23,292	15.6%
Total Providers	16,420	100.0%	15,220	100.0%	11,235	100.0%	106,088	100.0%	148,963	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	194		138		188		283		803	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

Research Question 40: What are CACFP providers' perceptions of the burden of the CACFP's paperwork requirements?

Burden Level of the CACFP's Requirements	Child Care Centers				Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent						
Very high burden	549	3.2%	1,212	7.6%	215	1.9%	3,540	3.1%	5,515	3.5%
High burden	3,482	20.6%	3,267	20.5%	593	5.3%	10,081	8.9%	17,422	11.1%
Neither high nor low burden	6,533	38.7%	6,854	43.0%	3,720	32.9%	37,903	33.6%	55,009	35.1%
Low burden	3,912	23.2%	2,713	17.0%	3,835	34.0%	3,5131	31.2%	45,592	29.1%
Very low burden	2,413	14.3%	1,877	11.8%	2,929	25.9%	25,991	23.1%	33,210	21.2%
Total Providers	16,889	100.0%	15,923	100.0%	11,291	100.0%	112,646	100.0%	156,749	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	199		142		189		302		832	

Research Question 41: What percentage of CACFP providers have considered dropping out of the Program? What are providers' primary reasons for considering dropping out?

Exhibit 2.74: Distribution of Providers by Whether They Have Considered Leaving the CACFP										
Considered Leaving CACFP	Child Care Centers^a						Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent				
Have not considered leaving	13,758	82.5%	12,806	87.4%	26,564	84.8%	89,849	81.5%	116,413	82.2%
Have considered leaving	2,915	17.5%	1,849	12.6%	4,764	15.2%	20,400	18.5%	25,164	17.8%
Total Providers	16,673	100.0%	14,655	100.0%	31,328	100.0%	1102,49	100.0%	141,577	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	197		130		327		290		617	

^a Head Start centers are required to participate in the CACFP.

Exhibit 2.75: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Reasons Why They Have Considered Leaving^a										
Potential Reasons for Leaving CACFP	Child Care Centers						Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Total Centers		Wtd. n	Percent^c	Wtd. n	Percent^c
	Wtd. n	Percent^c	Wtd. n	Percent^c	Wtd. n	Percent^c				
Low reimbursement rates	985	33.8%	822	48.0%	1,807	39.1%	11,240	59.4%	13,047	55.4%
Paperwork burden	2,193	75.2%	1,631	95.3%	3,824	82.6%	8,957	47.3%	12,781	54.2%
Difficult to comply with meal requirements	498	17.1%	227	13.3%	725	15.7%	2,572	13.6%	3,297	14.0%
Not enough low- income children enrolled	710	24.4%	232	13.6%	942	20.4%	1,887	10.0%	2,830	12.0%
Have serious deficiencies according to CACFP	80	2.7%	44	2.6%	124	2.7%	1,130	6.0%	1,254	5.3%
Not enough support from their State CACFP agency or sponsor	0	0.0%	132	7.7%	132	2.9%	831	4.4%	964	4.1%
Other^d	763	26.2%	384	22.4%	1147	24.8%	3,686	19.5%	4,833	20.5%
Total Providers^e	2,915	100.0%	1,712	100.0%	4,627	100.0%	18,934	100.0%	23,561	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	33		17		50		47		97	

^aAmong providers that reported they considered leaving the CACFP (N = 25,164 based on Exhibit 2.74).

^bHead Start centers are required to participate in the CACFP.

^cDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^dOther includes lack of food vendors, food costs, lack of qualified staff, amount of work is too great, etc.

^eA total of 125,122 (weighted) /554 (unweighted) or 84.2% providers did not respond.

Research Question 42: What are child care providers' suggestions for improving the program?

Exhibit 2.76: Distribution of CACFP Providers by Suggestions for Improving Program Support, Oversight, and Other Areas of the CACFP Sponsoring Organization										
Suggestions for Improving the CACFP	Child Care Centers				Head Start Centers		Family Day Care Homes		Total Providers	
	Independent		Sponsored		Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a
	Wtd. n	Percent ^a	Wtd. n	Percent ^a						
Have no suggestions for improving the CACFP	14,201	84.1%	12,977	82.6%	9,738	87.4%	94,628	83.5%	131,544	83.8%
Focus monitoring visits on teaching, not just enforcement	1,539	9.1%	2,216	14.1%	371	3.3%	5,353	4.7%	9,479	6.0%
Make monitoring visits less invasive	946	5.6%	774	4.9%	472	4.2%	5,453	4.8%	7,645	4.9%
Process reimbursements for claims in a more timely fashion	388	2.3%	476	3.0%	168	1.5%	4,932	4.4%	5,964	3.8%
Offer better feedback during monitoring visits	397	2.4%	603	3.8%	418	3.8%	3,120	2.8%	4,538	2.9%
Provide better training on CACFP rules and responsibilities	595	3.5%	753	4.8%	531	4.8%	2,188	1.9%	4,067	2.6%
Provide clearer information about what constitutes a serious deficiency	566	3.4%	258	1.6%	430	3.9%	1,024	0.9%	2,278	1.5%
Provide more timely feedback on results of monitoring visits	519	3.1%	135	0.9%	301	2.7%	1,213	1.1%	2,168	1.4%
Provide clearer information about the appeals process for serious deficiency notices	221	1.3%	67	0.4%	128	1.1%	1,366	1.2%	1,782	1.1%
Provide clearer information about follow-up actions needed after a monitoring visit	515	3.0%	197	1.3%	353	3.2%	499	0.4%	1,564	1.0%
Other ^b	1,462	8.7%	810	5.2%	387	3.5%	10,163	9.0%	12,822	8.2%
Total Providers	16,892	100.0%	15,707	100.0%	11,143	100.0%	113,277	100.0%	157,019	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	196		139		183		295		813	

^aDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^bOther includes increase reimbursement rates, make all paperwork available electronically, provide better support, etc.

Chapter 3: Characteristics of CACFP After School At-Risk Sponsors

CHARACTERISTICS OF SPONSOR ORGANIZATIONS

Exhibit 3.1: Number of At-Risk At-Risk Sponsors by Private/Public Status				
	Private, Non-Profit	Private, For-Profit	Public Agency, School, or School District	Total At-Risk Sponsors ^a
Total Weighted Sample	1,081	135	637	1,853
Total Unweighted Sample	325	38	174	537

^a Two At-Risk sponsors (with a total weight of 7) could not be categorized as public or private.

Research Question 1: *What types of organizations sponsor At-Risk sites for the CACFP?*

Exhibit 3.2: Distribution of At-Risk At-Risk Sponsors by Organization Type						
Organization Type	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Child care agency	335	27.9%	45	7.0%	380	20.7%
School	20	1.6%	258	40.6%	278	15.1%
Local education agency/ school district	10	0.9%	171	26.9%	181	9.9%
Charitable agency	177	14.7%	0	0.0%	177	9.6%
YMCA or YWCA	168	13.9%	0	0.0%	168	9.1%
Social service agency	131	10.9%	16	2.5%	147	8.0%
Religious organization	73	6.1%	4	0.6%	77	4.2%
U.S. Military	18	1.5%	40	6.2%	58	3.2%
Tribal organization	18	1.5%	2	0.3%	20	1.1%
College or university	0	0.0%	15	2.4%	15	0.8%
Other ^b	251	20.9%	86	13.5%	337	18.3%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	1,202	100.0%	636	100.0%	1,837	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	358		174		532	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bOther includes community development organizations, community-based organizations, local government agencies such as parks and recreation departments, etc.

Research Question 2: How long have At-Risk sponsors been CACFP sponsors?

Exhibit 3.3: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Number of Years of CACFP Sponsorship						
Number of Years At-Risk Sponsors Have Been CACFP Sponsors	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors ^b	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
2 Years or fewer	63	8.1%	86	21.1%	149	12.6%
3 - 5 Years	244	31.3%	224	55.1%	468	39.5%
6-10 Years	137	17.6%	59	14.5%	196	16.5%
11 – 20 Years	182	23.3%	17	4.1%	198	16.7%
21 – 30 Years	110	14.2%	20	4.9%	130	11.0%
Over 30 Years	43	5.5%	1	0.3%	44	3.7%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	780	100.0%	406	100.0%	1,186	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	238		120		358 ^c	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bAt-Risk sponsors could have been regular CACFP sponsors prior to becoming At-RiskAt-Risk sponsors.

^cA total of 1,857 (weighted) At-Risk Sponsors responded to this question, of which 671 (weighted) / 180 (unweighted) or 36.1% answered “Don’t Know.”

Research Question 3: How long have the sponsors supported At-Risk centers (for snacks only and for meals and/or snacks)?

Exhibit 3.4: Distribution of Sponsors by Whether They Were New to the CACFP When They Enrolled in the At-Risk CACFP						
Whether New to CACFP When Enrolled in the At-Risk CACFP	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Enrolled in At-Risk CACFP at the same time became a CACFP Sponsor	434	65.0%	328	92.8%	761	74.6%
Already a CACFP sponsor before enrolling in the At-Risk CACFP	233	35.0%	26	7.2%	259	25.4%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	667	100.0%	353	100.0%	1,020	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	210		112		322	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 3.5: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Number of Years They Have Supported At-Risk Centers						
Number of Years At-Risk Sponsors Have Supported At-Risk Centers	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Less than 1 year	3	0.4%	0	0.0%	3	0.3%
1 - 2 years	229	31.7%	194	47.5%	423	37.4%
3 - 5 years	191	26.4%	144	35.2%	335	29.6%
6 - 10 years	177	24.5%	42	10.3%	219	19.4%
11 - 15 years	87	12.1%	10	2.5%	97	8.6%
16 - 20 years	29	4.0%	2	0.5%	31	2.7%
Greater than 20 Years	7	1.0%	16	3.9%	23	2.0%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	723	100.0%	408	99.9%	1,131	100.0%
Mean (95% CI half width)	6.25 (±1.33)		4.34 (±1.48)		5.56 (±1.57)	
Std. Error	0.78		0.87		0.77	
Total Unweighted Sample^b	230		131		361	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bA total of 1,857 (weighted) At-Risk Sponsors responded to this question; 688 (weighted) 169 (unweighted) or 37.0% answered "Don't Know."

Research Question 4: What percentage of At-Risk sponsors (and their sites) also participate as sponsors in the Summer Food Service Program?

Exhibit 3.6: Distribution of At-Risk At-Risk Sponsors by Whether They Participate in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)						
	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Participate in the SFSP	692	57.1%	352	55.3%	1,045	56.5%
Do not participate in the SFSP	521	42.9%	285	44.7%	806	43.5%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	1,213	100.0%	637	100.0%	1,851	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	362		174		536	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 3.7: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by the Percentage of Their Centers in the Summer Food Service Program^a						
Percentage of At-Risk Sponsors' Centers in the Summer Food Service Program	Private ^b		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n
10% or fewer centers participate in SFSP	14	2.7%	5	1.7%	19	2.4%
11% to 20%	55	10.6%	14	5.5%	69	8.9%
21% to 50%	152	29.3%	126	48.4%	279	35.7%
51% - 75%	99	19.1%	27	10.4%	126	16.2%
Greater than 75%	198	38.3%	89	34.0%	287	36.8%
Total At-Risk Sponsors^b	519	100.0%	261	100.0%	780	100.0%
Mean (95% CI half width)	58.4% (±12.0%)		59.2% (±14.3%)		58.6% (±9.5%)	
Std. Error	5.9%		7.0%		4.6%	
Total Unweighted Sample	122		62		184	

^aIncludes only At-Risk sponsors that participate in the Summer Food Service Program.

^bIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

SPONSOR SIZE AND CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SITES THEY SPONSOR

Research Question 5: How many sites do At-Risk sponsors support?

Number of Centers At-Risk Sponsors Support	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
1 center	106	9.0%	44	7.2%	150	8.3%
2 – 3 centers	424	35.8%	151	24.3%	581	32.1%
4 - 5 centers	204	17.2%	119	19.2%	323	17.9%
6 - 10 centers	146	12.3%	150	24.2%	296	16.4%
11 - 15 centers	96	8.1%	51	8.3%	147	8.1%
16 - 20 centers	32	2.7%	15	2.4%	47	2.6%
More than 20 centers	176	14.9%	89	14.3%	265	14.6%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	1,183	100.0%	620	100.0%	1,809	100.0%
Mean (95% CI half width)	16.7 (±5.5)		13.3 (±4.5)		15.5 (±3.2)	
Std. Error	2.3		2.2		1.6	
Total Unweighted Sample	353		171		524	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Research Question 6: How many sites do At-Risk sponsors sponsor that only participate in the At-Risk component of CACFP?

Number of Centers Per At-Risk Sponsor That Only Participate in the CACFP At-Risk Component	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n
1 center	177	19.1%	60	12.8%	237	16.9%
2 – 3 centers	357	38.4%	144	30.6%	501	35.8%
4 - 5 centers	116	12.4%	92	19.6%	208	14.9%
6 - 10 centers	99	10.6%	76	16.2%	175	12.5%
11 - 15 centers	67	7.2%	32	6.7%	99	7.1%
16 - 20 centers	21	2.2%	13	2.7%	33	2.4%
More than 20 centers	93	10.0%	54	11.5%	147	10.5%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	929	100.0%	471	100.0%	1,401	100.0%
Mean (95% CI half width)	10.5 (±5.0)		12.9 (±4.9)		11.3 (±3.0)	
Std. Error	2.4		2.4		1.5	
Total Unweighted Sample	287		149		436	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Research Question 7: How many sites do At-Risk sponsors sponsor that participate in both the At-Risk and the non-At-Risk child care components of the CACFP?

Exhibit 3.10: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Centers That Participate in Both the At-Risk and Non-At-Risk Component of the CACFP^a						
Number of Centers Per At-Risk Sponsor That Participate in Both the CACFP At-Risk and Non-At-Risk Components	Private^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n
1 center	134	31.2%	34	21.6%	168	28.7%
2 – 3 centers	165	38.3%	55	35.1%	220	37.5%
4 - 5 centers	47	11.0%	13	8.4%	61	10.3%
6 - 10 centers	32	7.4%	31	19.8%	63	10.7%
11 - 15 centers	12	2.7%	15	9.8%	27	4.6%
16 - 20 centers	5	1.2%	3	1.9%	8	1.4%
More than 20 centers	35	8.0%	5	3.4%	40	6.8%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	430	100.0%	156	100.0%	586	100.0%
Mean (95% CI half width)	11.9 (±4.2)		8.1 (±4.1)		10.6 (±2.4)	
Std. Error	2.0		2.0		1.2	
Total Unweighted Sample	136		44		180	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Research Question 8: How many sites do At-Risk (AR) sponsors sponsor that only participate in the non-At-Risk component of the CACFP?

Exhibit 3.11: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by the Number of Centers They Sponsor That Only Participate in the Non-At-Risk Component of the CACFP^a

Number of Centers that Only Participate in the Non-At-Risk Component of the CACFP	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n
1 center	167	33.2%	41	18.0%	208	28.4%
2 – 3 centers	167	33.2%	45	19.7%	212	28.9%
4 - 5 centers	48	9.5%	54	23.5%	102	13.9%
6 - 10 centers	27	5.5%	54	23.5%	81	11.1%
11 - 15 centers	32	6.4%	4	1.8%	36	5.0%
16 - 20 centers	10	2.0%	0	0.0%	10	1.4%
More than 20 centers	52	10.3%	31	13.7%	83	11.4%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	503	100.0%	230	100.0%	733	100.0%
Mean (95% CI half width)	6.3 (±2.6)		7.0 (±4.4)		6.4 (±2.1)	
Std. Error	1.2		2.1		1.0	
Total Unweighted Sample	359		119		478	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Research Question 9: *What is the range in types of sponsored sites that participate in the At-Risk component of the CACFP?*

Exhibit 3.12: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by the Types of Sites That Participate in the CACFP At-Risk Component

Types of Sites That Participate in the CACFP At-Risk Component	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
Child care centers	486	41.2%	110	17.6%	601	33.2%
Public schools	228	19.4%	365	58.2%	593	32.7%
Boys & Girls Clubs	330	28.0%	40	6.3%	374	20.7%
YMCA or YWCA	234	19.8%	26	4.1%	259	14.3%
Faith-based organizations	210	17.8%	20	3.2%	230	12.7%
Multi-purpose community centers	170	14.5%	37	5.9%	207	11.4%
21st Century Community Learning Centers	127	10.7%	64	10.2%	191	10.5%
Parks and recreation sites	129	10.9%	40	6.3%	169	9.3%
Housing Authority sites	93	7.9%	11	1.8%	105	5.8%
Private schools	67	5.7%	13	2.0%	79	4.4%
School food authority	12	1.0%	68	10.9%	80	4.4%
Head Start centers	30	2.5%	26	4.1%	57	3.2%
Salvation Army	39	3.3%	0	0.0%	39	2.2%
Tribal organizations	19	1.6%	0	0.0%	21	1.2%
Homeless centers	19	1.6%	0	0.0%	19	1.0%
Police Athletic Leagues	8	0.7%	3	0.5%	11	0.6%
Food banks	3	0.3%	0	0.0%	3	0.2%
Other ^b	181	15.3%	128	20.4%	313	17.1%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	1,181	100.0%	627	100.0%	1,8108	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	357		173		530	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bDetail does not add to 100 as sponsors could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes such sites as before and after school organizations, youth centers, migrant education program, etc.

Research Question 10: *In what other USDA food and nutrition assistance programs do At-Risk (AR) sponsors participate?*

Exhibit 3.13: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Participation in Other USDA Food and Nutrition Service Programs

Participation in Other Food and Nutrition Service Programs	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Do not participate in other USDA Food and Nutrition Service Programs	872	72.1%	190	29.9%	1,069	57.9%
Participate in other USDA Food and Nutrition Service Programs	337	27.9%	444	70.1%	778	42.1%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	1,209	100.0%	634	100.0%	1,847	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	360		173		533	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 3.14: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Participation in Other USDA Food and Nutrition Service Programs^a						
Other USDA Food and Nutrition Service Programs	Private ^b		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^c	Wtd. n	Percent ^c	Wtd. n	Percent ^c
Summer Food Service Program	254	75.1%	255	57.4%	509	65.1%
National School Lunch Program	59	17.5%	382	86.0%	441	56.4%
School Breakfast Program	36	10.7%	362	81.5%	398	50.9%
USDA Foods Programs	69	20.4%	281	63.3%	350	44.8%
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program	7	2.1%	165	37.2%	172	22.0%
Commodity Supplemental Food Program	76	22.5%	18	4.1%	95	12.1%
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Nutrition Education	62	18.3%	20	4.5%	81	10.4%
The Emergency Food Assistance Program	80	23.7%	0	0.0%	80	10.2%
Special Milk Program	11	3.3%	17	3.8%	28	3.6%
Other ^d	26	7.7%	75	16.9%	102	13.0%
Did not indicate which programs	20	5.9%	13	2.9%	33	4.2%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	338	100.0%	444	100.0%	782	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	97		134		231^c	

^aIncludes only At-Risk sponsors that participate in other USDA Food and Nutrition Service programs (N = 778 based on Exhibit 3.14 above, however some sites did not indicate that they participated in other USDA Food and Nutrition Service Program but then selected at least one such program based on the survey question: "In what other USDA Food and Nutrition Service Programs do you participate?".

^bIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^cDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^dOther includes such programs as Farmers Market Nutrition Program, Seamless Summer Option, etc.

Research Question 11: What are the most common types of outreach that At-Risk (AR) sponsors have conducted to recruit sites for the At-Risk component of the CACFP? Which of these outreach activities do At-Risk sponsors consider having been the most effective?

Exhibit 3.15: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Type of Outreach Used to Recruit Centers for the At-Risk CACFP^a						
Type of Outreach At-Risk Sponsors Used to Recruit Centers for the At-Risk CACFP	Private		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
Flyers or brochures	403	63.8%	171	54.3%	578	60.6%
Partnering with local schools	340	53.8%	168	53.3%	509	53.4%
Press releases	329	52.1%	81	25.7%	415	43.5%
Social media	268	42.4%	80	25.4%	349	36.6%
Partnering with advocacy organizations	203	32.1%	108	34.3%	311	32.6%
Community meetings	138	21.8%	57	18.1%	195	20.4%
Other ^c	93	14.7%	80	25.4%	173	18.1%
Did not indicate type of outreach	24	3.7%	32	9.2%	55	5.5%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	632	100.0%	315	100.0%	947	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^d	201		106		307	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther outreach includes contacting local schools, email blasts, webinars, cold calling, and advertising at health fairs.

^dA total of 954 (weighted) / 309 (unweighted) of At-Risk Sponsors responded to this question.

Exhibit 3.16: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Type of Outreach Perceived to be Most Effective in At-Risk Center Recruitment^a						
Type of Outreach At-Risk Sponsors Perceived to be Most Effective in At-Risk Center Recruitment	Private^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Partnering with local schools	181	29.7%	103	33.7%	284	31.0%
Flyers or brochures	153	25.2%	64	21.0%	218	23.8%
Partnering with advocacy organizations	74	12.1%	33	10.7%	106	11.6%
Community meetings	41	6.8%	42	13.9%	84	9.2%
Press releases	49	8.1%	14	4.6%	63	6.9%
Hosting webinars	32	5.3%	13	4.2%	45	5.0%
Social media	26	4.3%	7	2.4%	34	3.7%
Other^b	51	8.4%	29	9.5%	81	8.9%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	607	100.0%	306	100.0%	915	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^c	199		102		301	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bOther outreach includes making visits in person, cold calling, and word of mouth.

^cA total of 915 (weighted)/ 301 (unweighted) of At-Risk Sponsors responded to this question.

Research Question 12: What challenges have At-Risk sponsors experienced enrolling eligible sites (including sites that had not participated in the CACFP previously) for the At-Risk component of the CACFP?

Exhibit 3.17: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by the Challenges They Have Faced When Sponsoring Sites for the At-Risk CACFP

	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
No challenges	528	44.9%	290	48.7%	818	46.2%
Limited resources to hire staff to support At-Risk sites	317	27.0%	114	19.2%	433	24.4%
Limited time to train staff to understand At-Risk requirements	236	20.1%	138	23.2%	382	21.6%
No dedicated administrative funds to support At-Risk sites	186	15.8%	67	11.3%	253	14.3%
Assisted sites in hiring qualified food service staff to work after school hours	137	11.6%	111	18.7%	253	14.3%
Assisted sites on how to claim both At-Risk and non-At-Risk CACFP meals and/or snacks	115	9.8%	41	6.9%	158	8.9%
Limited time to conduct required pre-approval visits	93	7.9%	60	10.1%	155	8.8%
Limited time to assist sites in applying to participate in At-Risk	115	9.8%	35	5.9%	150	8.5%
Identified programs that are eligible for At-Risk	96	8.2%	25	4.2%	121	6.8%
Administered the serious deficiency process	26	2.2%	32	5.4%	57	3.2%
Other ^c	145	12.3%	73	12.3%	218	12.3%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	1,176	100.0%	595	100.0%	1,771	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	354		168		522	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes paperwork, site employee turnover, and ensuring data sites provide are accurate.

Exhibit 3.18: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Whether They Are Aware of Eligible Sites That Do Not Participate in the At-Risk Component of the CACFP

Eligible Site Participation Awareness	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Unaware of eligible sites not participating	878	74.1%	490	78.9%	1,365	75.7%
Aware of eligible sites not participating	307	25.9%	131	21.1%	437	24.3%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	1,185	100.0%	621	100.0%	1,802	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	354		170		524	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 3.19: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Perceived Reasons Why Eligible Sites Do Not Participate in the CACFP At-Risk Component ^a						
At-Risk Sponsors' Perceived Reasons Sites Do Not Participate in At-Risk CACFP	Private^b		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent^c	Wtd. n	Percent^c	Wtd. n	Percent^c
High paperwork burden	207	77.5%	65	67.7%	272	75.1%
Lack adequate resources to hire or pay needed staff	119	44.6%	53	55.2%	172	47.5%
Lengthy application and approval process	110	41.2%	16	16.7%	126	34.8%
Lack adequate funding to support required services	104	39.0%	14	14.6%	118	32.6%
Do not meet area eligibility requirements	37	13.9%	11	11.5%	48	13.3%
Reluctance towards participation in government programs	34	12.7%	10	10.4%	44	12.2%
Dislike with unannounced site monitoring visits	28	10.5%	15	15.6%	43	11.9%
Lack space to serve meals	28	10.5%	13	13.5%	42	11.6%
Do not provide required enrichment activities	25	9.4%	16	16.7%	41	11.3%
Difficulty with licensing/registration status documentation	36	13.5%	3	3.1%	39	10.8%
Do not meet State and local health and safety requirements	28	10.5%	6	6.3%	34	9.4%
Do not meet At-Risk definition	21	7.9%	12	12.5%	32	8.8%
Uncomfortable with the serious deficiency process	8	3.0%	1	1.0%	9	2.5%
Other ^d	93	34.8%	44	45.8%	137	37.8%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	267	100.0%	96	100.0%	362	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^e	90		39		129	

^aRespondents are those who are aware of eligible sites that are not participating in At-Risk CACFP (N = 437 based on Exhibit 3.19).

^cDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^dOther includes: organizations view it as too much work, security concerns, lack of a place to prepare meals.

Research Question 14: What are At-Risk sponsors' perceptions of the challenges sites face as new participants in the CACFP?

Exhibit 3.20: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Perceived Challenges in At-Risk Centers with New Participants						
Perceived Challenges in At-Risk Centers with New Participants	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
Difficulty complying with CACFP recordkeeping requirements	152	38.7%	44	26.7%	195	34.9%
Limited food storage	127	32.3%	19	11.5%	147	26.3%
No experience planning or preparing CACFP meals	46	11.7%	46	27.9%	92	16.5%
Inadequate kitchen space	64	16.3%	23	13.9%	87	15.6%
Difficulty complying with local and state regulations	59	15.0%	26	15.8%	85	15.2%
Not enough reimbursement to cover meals	65	16.5%	16	9.7%	81	14.5%
Being approved to participate in CACFP	57	14.5%	17	10.3%	73	13.1%
Documenting funding, and staffing	44	11.2%	20	12.1%	64	11.5%
Not enough food service staff	20	5.1%	28	17.0%	48	8.6%
Difficulty meeting state and local health and safety requirements	28	7.1%	6	3.6%	34	6.1%
Difficulty meeting program enrichment activities requirement	14	3.6%	16	9.7%	30	5.4%
Documenting licensing/registration status	24	6.1%	3	1.8%	28	5.0%
No experience vetting food service contracts (vended meals)	26	6.6%	1	0.6%	27	4.8%
Other ^c	59	15.0%	38	23.0%	97	17.4%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	395	100.0%	165	100.0%	570	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	135		53		188	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes staffing, paperwork, and budgeting concerns.

^dIncludes responses from sponsors whose sites first served afterschool meals or snacks to children when they entered the At-Risk CACFP.

Research Question 15: *What are At-Risk sponsors' perceptions of why sites choose to participate in the At-Risk component of the CACFP?*

Exhibit 3.21: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Perceived Reasons Why Eligible Sites Choose to Participate in the CACFP At-Risk Component

Reasons Eligible Sites Choose to Participate in the CACFP At-Risk Component	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
To serve a full meal to children who are at risk of hunger	372	79.3%	177	76.6%	549	78.4%
To attract more children to afterschool activities	228	48.6%	113	48.9%	341	48.7%
The service area's eligibility	118	25.2%	77	33.3%	195	27.9%
Higher CACFP reimbursement at the free rate	54	11.5%	33	14.3%	87	12.4%
Individual enrollment is not required	40	8.5%	26	11.3%	66	9.4%
Programs serve older children, up to age 19	46	9.8%	16	6.9%	63	9.0%
Less paperwork than the traditional CACFP program	15	3.2%	18	7.8%	33	4.7%
A license is not required	21	4.5%	3	1.3%	24	3.4%
Other ^c	30	6.4%	6	2.6%	36	5.1%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	469	100.0%	231	100.0%	700	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^d	147		72		219	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes licenser requirements and provision of healthy snacks.

^dIncludes responses from 219 of 437 of the sponsors who are aware of eligible sites that choose not to participate in the At-Risk component of the CACFP.

Research Question 16: *What are At-Risk sponsors' perceptions of the challenges At-Risk sites face if they switch from serving only snacks to serving snacks and meals?*

Exhibit 3.22: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Centers That Switched from Serving Only Snacks to Including Meals

Whether Centers Switched from Only Snacks to Include Meals	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
No sites switched from only snacks to include meals	668	66.5%	335	60.0%	1,005	64.1%
Sites switched from only snacks to includes meals	337	33.5%	223	40.0%	562	35.9%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	1,005	100.0%	558	100.0%	1,567	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	306		160		466	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 3.23: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Perceived Challenges for CACFP Centers that Shift to Serving Both Snacks and Meals						
Challenges Centers Faced When Shifted from Serving Only Snacks to Serving Snacks and Meals	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
Limited food storage	126	43.6%	82	41.0%	209	42.6%
Difficulty complying with CACFP recordkeeping requirements	89	30.8%	90	45.0%	178	36.3%
Inadequate kitchen space	100	34.6%	53	26.5%	155	31.6%
Too few cooking staff	56	19.4%	46	23.0%	104	21.2%
Not enough reimbursement to cover meals	60	20.8%	26	13.0%	86	17.5%
No experience planning or preparing CACFP meals	21	7.3%	9	4.5%	30	6.1%
No experience vetting food service contracts (vended meals)	24	8.3%	0	0.0%	24	4.9%
Difficulty meeting program enrichment activities requirement	9	3.1%	3	1.5%	12	2.4%
Difficulty meeting state and local health and safety requirements	0	0.0%	4	2.0%	4	0.8%
Other ^c	70	24.2%	68	34.0%	138	28.1%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	289	100.0%	200	100.0%	491	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	92		69		161	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations. Includes only those whose sites switched from providing only snacks to serving meals (N = 562 based on Exhibit 3.23).

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes such things as lack of staff, lack of equipment, security concerns, getting staff properly trained, paperwork, etc.

Exhibit 3.24: Percentage of Sponsors with Centers That Expanded CACFP to Include the At-Risk Component						
Whether Centers Expanded or Started with At-Risk CACFP	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Sites participated in both the At-risk and non-At-Risk child care component of CACFP from the start	672	69.5%	473	88.9%	1,145	76.1%
Sites expanded to include the At-Risk child care component of CACFP	295	30.5%	59	11.1%	354	23.9%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	967	100.0%	531	100.0%	1,500	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	297		152		449	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Research Question 17: *What are At-Risk sponsors' perceptions of the challenges faced by sites that expanded to participate in the At-Risk component of the CACFP?*

Exhibit 3.25: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Their Perceived Challenges with Expansion into the CACFP At-Risk Component						
Perceived Challenges Regarding At-Risk Expansion	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
Claiming under At-Risk and non-At-Risk parts of CACFP during the school year and only non- At-Risk child care CACFP during the summer	93	42.3%	24	52.2%	121	44.6%
Maintaining separate meal counts for both parts of CACFP	104	47.3%	8	17.4%	117	43.2%
Maintaining two systems of eligibility	92	41.8%	11	23.9%	103	38.0%
Budgeting for meals paid at a mix of at free, reduced and paid rates	56	25.5%	23	50.0%	84	31.0%
Training staff on differences in recordkeeping for both parts of CACFP	49	22.3%	16	34.8%	69	25.5%
Other ^c	16	7.3%	8	17.4%	24	8.9%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	220	100.0%	46	100.0%	266	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	78		16		94	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations. Includes only those whose sites expanded to participate in the At-Risk component (N = 354 based on Exhibit 3.25).

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes paperwork and transition between regular CACFP and At-Risk meals or snack when school is out.

Research Question 18: What tools are At-Risk sponsors using to “make it easier for eligible sites to enroll” in the At-Risk component of the CACFP?

Exhibit 3.26: Percentage of At-Risk Sponsors that Provide Tools to Improve Participation in the CACFP At-Risk Component

Whether At-Risk Sponsors Provide Tools to Improve Participation	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
At-Risk sponsors provide tools	577	48.1%	302	49.6%	879	51.4%
At-Risk sponsors do not provide tools	622	51.9%	306	50.4%	929	48.6%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	1,199	100.0%	608	100.0%	1,808	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	360		170		530	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 3.27: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Type of Tools to Assist Centers in CACFP At-Risk Participation

Type of Tools	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Recordkeeping templates ^b	174	46.3%	73	33.0%	248	41.0%
Meal count forms and menus	143	38.0%	78	35.2%	221	36.7%
Trainings	58	15.4%	41	18.5%	104	17.2%
Manuals/handbooks	48	12.8%	30	13.6%	78	13.0%
General support	16	4.3%	21	9.5%	37	6.2%
Online library of forms, templates, etc.	25	6.7%	8	3.6%	33	5.5%
Flyers	12	3.2%	13	5.7%	25	4.1%
Other ^c	9	2.4%	9	3.9%	18	3.0%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	376	100.0%	223	100.0%	603	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	111		63		175	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations. Includes only those who provide tools (n = 879 based on Exhibit 3.27).

^bExamples include forms for ascertaining counts, conducting inventory, record-keeping, and budgeting.

^cOther includes both games and supplies.

Research Question 19: What tools are At-Risk sponsors using to help sites participating in the At-Risk Component of the CACFP meet CACFP requirements?

Exhibit 3.28: Percentage of Sponsors That Developed Tools to Help At-Risk Centers Meet CACFP Requirements

Whether the Sponsors Developed Tools	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Developed tools	538	45.8%	281	47.4%	819	46.3%
Did not develop tools	638	54.2%	312	52.6%	950	53.7%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	1,024	100.0%	593	100.0%	1,617	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	352		165		517	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 3.29: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Type of State Agency Tool They Provide to Help At-Risk Centers Meet CACFP Requirements^a						
Type of Tools Provided to Help At-Risk Sites Meet CACFP Requirements	Private ^b		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^c	Wtd. n	Percent ^c	Wtd. n	Percent ^c
Forms/Templates	77	22.0%	49	24.2%	127	22.7%
Manuals/Handbooks	75	21.3%	45	22.2%	120	21.6%
Handouts from training	72	20.4%	39	19.3%	111	19.9%
Nutrition overviews	53	15.1%	40	19.8%	96	17.1%
Websites	59	16.8%	29	14.1%	88	15.8%
Guidance documents	53	15.1%	19	9.3%	72	12.9%
Resource guides	54	15.2%	15	7.5%	69	12.3%
Marketing aids	35	10.1%	19	9.5%	55	9.8%
Other ^d	24	6.9%	9	4.3%	33	5.9%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	352	100.0%	204	100.0%	559	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	113		57		171	

^aIncludes only At-Risk sponsors that use tools or materials to help At-Risk sites meet CACFP requirements (n = 819 based on Exhibit 3.29).

^bIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^cDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^dOther includes information regarding audit preparation, manuals with the regulations and the memorandums from USDA, buying guides, civil rights posters, etc.

Research Question 20: On which topics regarding the At-Risk component of the CACFP have At-Risk sponsors provided to sites that claimed At-Risk meals and/or snacks during the past 12 months?

Exhibit 3.30: Percentage of At-Risk Sponsors That Provided Training During the Past 12 Months on the At-Risk component of the CACFP to its Centers						
Whether At-Risk Sponsor Provided Training on At-Risk CACFP	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Provided training on At-Risk CACFP	977	81.7%	439	73.7%	1,416	79.0%
Did not provide training on the At-CACFP	219	18.3%	157	26.3%	376	21.0%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	1,196	100.0%	596	100.0%	1,791	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	359		169		528	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 3.31: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Training Topics Provided to its Centers During 2014-15^a						
Training Topics	Private ^b		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^c
CACFP meal requirements	850	87.0%	407	89.6%	1,256	87.6%
USDA civil rights requirements	702	71.9%	363	80.0%	1,065	74.3%
Health and safety standards	721	73.8%	277	61.0%	998	69.6%
Food safety/food service operations	634	64.9%	318	70.0%	951	66.4%
CACFP monitoring requirements	617	63.2%	308	67.8%	925	64.5%
Nutrition	556	56.9%	188	41.4%	744	51.9%
Menu planning	484	49.5%	211	46.5%	695	48.5%
Food preparation	434	44.4%	239	52.6%	673	47.0%
Maintaining confidentiality	420	43.0%	166	36.6%	586	40.9%
Requirements specific to At-Risk CACFP	367	37.6%	172	37.9%	540	37.7%
Best practices in afterschool programs	368	37.7%	144	31.7%	512	35.7%
At-Risk Area eligibility	340	34.8%	165	36.3%	505	35.2%
Monthly reimbursement claims filing	303	31.0%	165	36.3%	468	32.7%
Recordkeeping on claims	334	34.2%	121	26.7%	456	31.8%
Food purchasing	285	29.2%	108	23.8%	393	27.4%
Serious deficiencies	301	30.8%	90	19.8%	391	27.3%
Physical activity	302	30.9%	88	19.4%	391	27.3%
At-Risk site applications	240	24.6%	95	20.9%	335	23.4%
Recognizing abuse and neglect	211	21.6%	54	11.9%	265	18.5%
Parent relations	156	16.0%	74	16.3%	230	16.1%
Obesity prevention	163	16.7%	33	7.3%	196	13.7%
Staff wellness	123	12.6%	37	8.1%	160	11.2%
Other ^d	30	3.1%	9	2.0%	39	2.7%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	977	100.0%	454	100.0%	1,433	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	308		144		452	

^aIncludes only At-Risk sponsors that provide training (N = 1,416 based on Exhibit 3.31).

^bIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^cDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^dOther includes development of electronic system for checking claims, eligibility maps for at risk schools/areas, and healthy snack ideasc.

Research Question 21: *On which topics regarding the At-Risk components of the CACFP have At-Risk sponsors received training during the past 12 months from the State CACFP Agency?*

Exhibit 3.32: Percentage of At-Risk Sponsors That Have Received At-Risk Training From the State CACFP Agency

Whether At-Risk Sponsors Received At-Risk Training from State Agency	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Received training on the At-Risk component	995	82.0%	546	86.7%	1,541	83.6%
Did not receive training on the At-Risk component	219	18.0%	84	13.3%	303	16.4%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	1,214	100.0%	630	100.0%	1,844	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	362		173		535	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 3.33: Distribution of At-Risk (AR) Sponsors by Topics Covered in Training Provided 2014-15 From the State CACFP Agency Regarding the At-Risk Component of the CACFP^a						
Topics Covered in Training	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
CACFP meal requirements	850	99.7%	407	98.8%	1257	99.4%
CACFP recordkeeping requirements	836	98.2%	410	99.4%	1246	98.6%
USDA civil rights requirements	702	82.4%	363	88.1%	1065	84.3%
Health and Safety Standards	721	84.6%	277	67.3%	998	79.0%
Food safety/food service operations	634	74.4%	318	77.1%	951	75.2%
CACFP monitoring requirements	617	72.4%	308	74.8%	925	73.2%
Nutrition	556	65.3%	188	45.6%	744	58.9%
Menu Planning	484	56.8%	211	51.3%	695	55.0%
Food Preparation	434	50.9%	239	58.0%	673	53.2%
Maintaining confidentiality	420	49.3%	166	40.3%	586	46.4%
Other requirements specific to At-Risk CACFP	367	43.1%	172	41.8%	540	42.7%
Best practices in child care	368	43.1%	144	35.0%	512	40.5%
At-Risk Area Eligibility	340	39.9%	165	40.0%	505	40.0%
Preparing and filing monthly reimbursement claims	303	35.5%	165	40.2%	468	37.0%
Coordination of recordkeeping for sites claiming both At-Risk and non-At-Risk meals and/or snacks	334	39.3%	121	29.5%	456	36.1%
Food Purchasing	285	33.5%	108	26.2%	393	31.1%
Serious Deficiencies	301	35.3%	90	21.8%	391	30.9%
Physical Activity in Child Care	302	35.5%	88	21.5%	391	30.9%
At-Risk Site Applications	240	28.2%	95	23.1%	335	26.5%
Recognizing abuse and neglect	211	24.8%	54	13.1%	265	21.0%
Parent relations	156	18.3%	74	17.9%	230	18.2%
Obesity prevention	163	19.1%	33	8.0%	196	15.5%
Staff wellness	123	14.5%	37	9.0%	160	12.7%
Other ^c	30	3.5%	9	2.1%	39	3.1%
Total AR Sponsors	852	100.0%	412	100.0%	1,264	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	309		146		455	

^aIncludes only At-Risk sponsors that received training (N = 1,541 based on Exhibit 3.33).

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes development of electronic system for checking claims, eligibility maps for at risk schools/areas, and healthy snack ideastc.

Research Question 22: How satisfied are At-Risk sponsors with the mandatory^a training and/or technical assistance that they have received on the At-Risk component of the CACFP? On which topics, if any, would At-Risk Sponsors like to receive more training or technical assistance^b?

Exhibit 3.34: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Their Satisfaction Level for the State At-Risk CACFP Mandatory Training^b

Training Satisfaction Level	Private ^c		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Very satisfied	367	46.1%	196	46.5%	562	46.2%
Satisfied	321	40.4%	203	48.2%	524	43.1%
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	68	8.6%	18	4.2%	86	7.0%
Dissatisfied	24	3.0%	5	1.2%	29	2.4%
Very dissatisfied	15	1.9%	0	0.0%	15	1.2%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	796	100.0%	421	100.0%	1,217	100.0%
Mean (95% CI half width)	1.74 (0.13)		1.60 (0.11)		1.69 (0.13)	
Std. Error	0.08		0.06		0.06	
Total Unweighted Sample	224		123		347	

^aState agencies must provide technical and supervisory assistance to sponsors and independent centers to ensure effective Program operation. However, the regulations do not specify what constitutes training or technical assistance on "effective Program operation." USDA, *At-Risk Afterschool Meals: A Child and Adult Care Food Program Handbook* (July 2015).

^bIncludes only At-Risk sponsors that received training on the At-Risk component (N = 1,541 based on Exhibit 3.33).

^cIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 3.35: Percentage of At-Risk Sponsors That Received Additional^a Training on the At-Risk CACFP from the State CACFP Agency

Whether Sponsors Received Additional At-Risk Training	Private ^b		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. N	Percent	Wtd. N	Percent	Wtd. N	Percent
Did not receive additional training	629	52.4%	394	63.0%	1,022	56.0%
Received additional training	571	47.6%	231	37.0%	802	44.0%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	1,200	100.0%	625	100.0%	1,824	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	357		172		529	

^aState CACFP agencies may provide sponsors with additional training on the At-Risk component (i.e., beyond that required by the regulations). However, since the regulations do not specify the mandatory training requirements, it is unclear how sponsors determined which trainings are mandatory.

^bIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 3.36: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Their Level of Satisfaction with the Additional At-Risk CACFP Training from the State Agency^a						
Level of Satisfaction with Additional Training	Private ^b		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Very satisfied	193	35.5%	90	39.0%	283	36.5%
Satisfied	179	33.0%	102	44.2%	281	36.4%
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	151	27.8%	34	14.7%	185	23.9%
Dissatisfied	17	3.1%	2	0.9%	19	2.5%
Very dissatisfied	3	0.6%	3	1.2%	6	0.8%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	543	100.0%	230	100.0%	773	100.0%
Mean (95% CI half width)	2.00 (±0.11)		1.81 (±0.15)		1.94 (±0.11)	
Std. Error	0.06		0.09		0.05	
Total Unweighted Sample	159		74		233	

^aIncludes only At-Risk sponsors that receive additional (i.e., beyond that required by the regulations) training on the At-Risk component (N = 802 based on Exhibit 3.36).

^bIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 3.37: Percent of At-Risk Sponsors That Received Technical Assistance on the At-Risk CACFP from the State CACFP Agency^a						
Whether At-Risk Sponsors Received Technical Assistance on At-Risk CACFP from the State Agency	Private ^b		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Did not receive technical assistance	717	59.6%	434	69.7%	1,151	63.1%
Received technical assistance	486	40.4%	189	30.3%	675	36.9%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	1,203	100.0%	623	100.0%	1,825	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	358		171		529	

^aState agencies must provide technical and supervisory assistance to sponsors and independent centers to ensure effective Program operation. USDA, *At-Risk Afterschool Meals: A Child and Adult Care Food Program Handbook* (July 2015).

^bIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 3.38: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Their Level of Satisfaction with Technical Assistance from the State CACFP Agency^a						
Level of Satisfaction with Technical Assistance	Private ^b		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Very satisfied	241	49.2%	131	69.3%	372	54.8%
Satisfied	184	37.5%	46	24.4%	230	33.8%
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	49	10.0%	4	2.3%	53	7.9%
Dissatisfied	16	3.4%	7	3.8%	24	3.5%
Very dissatisfied	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	490	100.0%	189	100.0%	679	100.0%
Mean (95% CI half width)	1.68 (±0.13)		1.40 (±0.14)		1.60 (±0.14)	
Std. Error	0.08		0.08		0.07	
Total Unweighted Sample	146		66		214	

^aIncludes only At-Risk sponsors that received technical assistance on the At-Risk component (N = 675 based on Exhibit 3.38)

^bIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Research Question 23: What do At-Risk sponsors suggest that Food and Nutrition Services or CACFP State Agencies do to support At-Risk sponsors with sites in the At-Risk component and help At-Risk sponsors improve participation in eligible areas?

Exhibit 3.39: Percent of At-Risk Sponsors with Suggestions for Support from FNS or State Agency

At-Risk Sponsors With Suggestions for Providing Support	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Did not have a suggestion	851	72.1%	473	77.0%	1,324	73.8%
Had a suggestion	329	27.9%	141	23.0%	470	26.2%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	1,180	100.0%	614	100.0%	1,794	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	350		167		517	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 3.40: Distribution of At-Risk At-Risk Sponsors by Their Suggestions for What the Food and Nutrition Service or State Agencies Can Do to Support Center Participation in Eligible Areas^a

Suggestions for FNS and State Agencies to Support Center Participation	Private ^b		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Provide more marketing materials and more publicity about program	103	38.7%	53	31.5%	156	35.9%
Make program rules and regulations less stringent	64	24.1%	24	14.3%	88	20.3%
Reduce paperwork	28	10.5%	44	26.2%	72	16.6%
Changes to food availability and offering	30	11.3%	19	11.3%	49	11.3%
Align program with SFSP	8	3.0%	17	10.1%	25	5.8%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	266	100.0%	168	100.0%	434	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	86		47		133	

^aIncludes only At-Risk sponsors that made suggestions about additional FNS or State CACFP support they would like to receive (N = 470 based on Exhibit 3.40).

^bIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^cOther includes provision of budget assistance to agencies, individual training, more mentoring and coaching, easier on-line application, higher reimbursement rate, meal time requirements waivers, and fewer rules on meal times.

Research Question 24: What other suggestions do At-Risk sponsors have to improve the At-Risk afterschool program?

Exhibit 3.41: Percent of At-Risk Sponsors with Suggestions for Improving the At-Risk Afterschool Program

At-Risk Sponsors With Afterschool Improvement Suggestions	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Did not have a suggestion	911	77.6%	132	78.6%	1,043	77.7%
Had a suggestion	263	22.4%	43	21.4%	306	22.3%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	1,174	100.0%	175	100.0%	1,349	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	350		168		518	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 3.42: Distribution of At-Risk Sponsors by Suggestions for Improving the At-Risk At-Risk Afterschool Program^a						
Suggestions for Improving the At-Risk Program	Private ^b		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Sponsors	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
More trainings and/or resource materials	73	27.8%	43	100.0%	116	37.9%
Reduce paperwork ^c	74	28.1%	23	53.5%	97	31.7%
Raise reimbursement rates	55	20.9%	22	51.2%	77	25.2%
Improve software/online program	33	12.5%	42	97.7%	75	24.5%
Change meal pattern requirements ^d	56	21.3%	15	34.9%	71	23.2%
Have the same guidelines as other agencies regarding enrollment and application	35	13.3%	5	11.6%	40	13.1%
Eliminate 5-day reconciliation ^e	3	1.1%	6	14.0%	10	3.3%
Increase publicity of At-Risk CACFP	3	1.1%	0	0.0%	3	1.0%
Provide more trainings and resource materials	73	27.8%	43	100.0%	116	37.9%
Total At-Risk Sponsors	263	100.0%	43	100.0%	306	100.0%
Total Valid Sample	97		45		142	

^aIncludes only At-Risk sponsors that made suggestions about how to improve the At-Risk component of the CACFP (N = 306 based on Exhibit 3.42).

^bIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^dSponsors were asked this question ahead of the new meal pattern requirements (which came in effect in 2016).

^eAll reviews by sponsors require that they reconcile meal counts with enrollment and attendance records for five consecutive operating days.

Chapter 4: Characteristics of CACFP At-Risk Afterschool Providers

Exhibit 4.1: Distribution of At-Risk Providers by Organization Type^a

	Private, Non-Profit	Private, For-Profit	Public Agency, School, or School District	Total At-Risk Providers ^b
Total Weighted Sample	8,091	1,433	7,161	16,685
Total Unweighted Sample	344	73	174	591

^aThirteen At-Risk providers (total weight = 251) were not categorized as public or private.

Research Question 1: *How long have At-Risk centers participated in the CACFP? For how long have they participated in the At-Risk component of the CACFP?*

Exhibit 4.2: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Number of Years Participating in CACFP

Length of Time At-Risk Centers Have Participated in the CACFP	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
2 Years or fewer	1,021	18.1%	1,529	36.3%	2,550	25.9%
3 - 5 Years	2,042	36.2%	2,014	47.8%	4,057	41.1%
6 – 10 Years	1,043	18.5%	251	6.0%	1,294	13.1%
11 – 20 Years	1,090	19.3%	58	1.4%	1,148	11.6%
21 – 30 Years	380	6.7%	362	8.6%	742	7.5%
Over 30 Years	68	1.2%	0	0.0%	68	0.7%
Total At-Risk Centers	5,644	100.0%	4,216	100.0%	9,859	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^b	256		116		372	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bA total of 7,375 (weighted) / 232 (unweighted) or 43.5% indicated they did not know or did not respond.

Exhibit 4.3: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Whether They Claim Afternoon Snacks as Part of the At-Risk CACFP

At-Risk Centers Claim Afterschool Snacks	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Currently claim afterschool snacks	5,181	55.3%	2,137	31.3%	7,318	45.2%
Have never claimed afterschool snacks	2,864	30.6%	3,872	56.7%	6,737	41.6%
Claimed afterschool snacks in the past but do not currently	1,324	14.1%	821	12.0%	2,144	13.2%
Total At-Risk Centers	9,369	100.0%	6,830	100.0%	16,199	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	409		167		576	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 4.4: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Number of Years They Have Claimed Afternoon Snacks						
Length of Time At-Risk Centers Have Claimed Afternoon Snacks	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n
Less than 1 year	42	1.1%	0	0.0%	42	0.8%
1 - 2 years	1,722	45.5%	981	73.3%	2,726	52.8%
3- 5 years	1,323	35.0%	135	10.1%	1,469	28.5%
6 - 10 years	351	9.3%	92	6.9%	448	8.7%
11 - 15 years	292	7.7%	12	0.9%	304	5.9%
15 - 20 years	46	1.2%	41	3.1%	87	1.7%
Greater than 20 years	5	0.1%	78	5.8%	83	1.6%
Total At-Risk Centers^b	3,781	100.0%	1,339	100.0%	5,159	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	3.92 (±0.92)		4.01 (±2.52)		3.93 (±0.98)	
Std. Error	0.45		1.23		0.48	
Total Unweighted Sample	195		58		253	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bA total of 4,423 (weighted) / 157 (unweighted) At-Risk Centers indicated that they did not know.

Exhibit 4.5: Percent of At-Risk Centers That Claim Afternoon Meals as Part of the At-Risk Component of the CACFP						
At-Risk Centers Claim Afterschool Meals	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Currently claim afternoon meals	5,720	60.6%	4,464	63.8%	10,183	61.9%
Have never claimed afternoon meals	2,994	31.7%	2,328	33.3%	5,322	32.4%
Claimed afternoon meals in the past but do not currently	733	7.8%	209	3.0%	942	5.7%
Total At-Risk Centers^b	9,447	100.0%	7,000	100.0%	16,448	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	412		169		581	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bDue to rounding, each column adds to more than 100%.

Exhibit 4.6: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Number of Years That They Have Claimed Afternoon Meals						
Number of Years At-Risk Centers Have Claimed Afternoon Meals	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n
Less than 1 year	235	5.9%	63	1.8%	297	4.0%
1 - 2 years	2,000	50.3%	2,532	74.5%	4,532	61.4%
3 - 5 years	1,241	31.2%	750	22.1%	1,991	27.0%
5 - 10 years	274	6.9%	28	0.8%	302	4.1%
11 - 15 years	112	2.8%	0	0.0%	112	1.5%
15 - 20 years	117	3.0%	0	0.0%	117	1.6%
Greater than 20 years	0	0.0%	27	0.8%	27	0.4%
Total At-Risk Centers^b	3,980	100.0%	3,400	100.0%	7,380	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	3.24 (±0.79)		2.06 (±0.75)		2.69 (±0.58)	
Std. Error	0.39		0.37		0.29	
Total Unweighted Sample	164		93		257	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bA total of 3,827 (weighted) / 226 (unweighted) At-Risk centers or 34.0% indicated that they did not know.

Research Question 2: How did participating sites first find out about the At-Risk component of the CACFP?

Exhibit 4.7: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by How They Discovered the At-Risk CACFP

How At-Risk Centers Discovered the At-Risk CACFP	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
Social media	2,874	41.0%	1,889	32.0%	4,763	36.9%
From a friend	313	4.5%	1,284	21.8%	1,597	12.4%
Posters, flyers, or brochures	1,027	14.7%	290	4.9%	1,317	10.2%
From a CACFP sponsoring organization	579	8.3%	372	6.3%	952	7.4%
From an advocacy organization	303	4.3%	166	2.8%	469	3.6%
From the State agency	70	1.0%	8	0.1%	78	0.6%
In the local newspaper	75	1.1%	0	0.0%	75	0.6%
From the sponsor	6	0.1%	0	0.0%	6	0.0%
Other ^c	1,755	25.1%	1,891	32.1%	3,646	28.3%
Total At-Risk Centers^d	7,002	100.0%	5,899	100.0%	12,901	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	296		135		431	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^cOther includes food vendor, other daycare centers in the area, Second Harvest Food Bank, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, etc.

^dA total of 4,035 (weighted) / 173 unweighted At-Risk centers indicated that they did not know.

Research Question 3: What are the most important reasons that At-Risk centers participate in the At-Risk component of the CACFP?

Exhibit 4.8: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Most Important Reasons They Participate in the At-Risk CACFP

Reasons At-Risk Centers Participate in the At-Risk CACFP	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
To provide food to children who are at risk of hunger	7,970	89.9%	6,439	92.6%	14,409	91.1 %
To support afterschool enrichment programming	5,153	58.1%	4,632	66.6%	9,785	61.9%
To help children develop healthy eating habits	5,199	58.6%	3,194	45.9%	8,393	53.1%
Area eligibility is easier compared to individual eligibility	1,834	20.7%	2,817	40.5%	4,651	29.4%
To serve older children	1,315	14.8%	944	13.6%	2,259	14.3%
Higher reimbursement rate than for non-At-Risk CACFP	1,216	13.7%	945	13.6%	2,161	13.7%
To learn how to plan and prepare nutritious meals	1,391	15.7%	325	4.7%	1,716	10.9%
No requirement for individual enrollment	626	7.1%	970	14.0%	1,596	10.1%
Fewer paperwork requirements than non- At-Risk CACFP	650	7.3%	401	5.8%	1,051	6.6%
No requirement to meet licensing requirements (only health and safety requirements)	658	7.4%	174	2.5%	832	5.3%
Other ^c	391	4.4%	6	0.1%	397	2.5%
Total At-Risk Centers	8,868	100.0%	6,953	100.0%	15,821	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	395		168		563	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther included assists in paying for a nutritious, high quality snack.

Research Question 4: What percentage of At-Risk Centers that are currently claiming At-Risk meals started in the At-Risk component of the CACFP with only snacks and then “moved up” to serving meals?

Exhibit 4.9: Percentage of At-Risk Centers that Currently Claim or Have Claimed in the Past, At-Risk Meals and/or Snacks						
Claiming of At-Risk Meals and/or Snacks	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Currently or have claimed meals or snacks and meals	7,874	84.3%	5,434	79.9%	13,309	82.4%
Never claimed meals and snacks	1,468	15.7%	1,370	20.1%	2,838	17.6%
Total At-Risk Centers	9,342	100.0%	6,805	100.0%	16,147	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	407		165		572	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 4.10: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by When They First Claimed Snacks Compared to Meals						
When At-Risk Centers First Claimed Snacks Compared to Meals	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
First claimed meals and snacks at the same time	1,914	77.8%	573	72.0%	2,487	76.4%
Claimed snacks before claiming meals	376	15.3%	105	13.2%	481	14.8%
Claimed meals before snacks	169	6.9%	118	14.9%	288	8.8%
Total At-Risk Centers^b	2,459	100.0%	796	100.0%	3,256	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	118		38		156	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bA total of 7,955 (weighted) At-Risk centers indicated that they did not know.

Research Question 5: *What types of centers/organizations participate in the At-Risk component of the CACFP?*

Types of Centers Participating in the At-Risk Component of the CACFP	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Public school	103	1.1%	4,222	59.3%	4,327	26.3%
Child care center	3,124	33.6%	328	4.6%	3,452	21.0%
Boys & Girls Club	2,000	21.5%	171	2.4%	2,170	13.2%
YMCA or YWCA	1,031	11.1%	20	0.3%	1,051	6.4%
Parks and recreation facility	43	0.5%	758	10.6%	801	4.9%
School food authority	5	0.1%	572	8.0%	577	3.5%
21st Century Community Learning Center	315	3.4%	194	2.7%	509	3.1%
Multi-purpose community center	403	4.3%	95	1.3%	498	3.0%
Faith-based organization	493	5.3%	0	0.0%	493	3.0%
Head Start center	47	0.5%	96	1.3%	144	0.9%
Private school	156	1.7%	0	0.0%	156	0.9%
Tribal organization	16	0.2%	130	1.8%	146	0.9%
Housing authority facility/site	32	0.3%	0	0.0%	32	0.2%
Police Athletic League	29	0.3%	0	0.0%	29	0.2%
Homeless center	5	0.1%	4	0.1%	9	0.1%
Salvation Army site	18	0.2%	0	0.0%	18	0.1%
United Way organization	18	0.2%	0	0.0%	18	0.1%
Food bank	7	0.1%	0	0.0%	7	0.0%
Other ^b	1,456	15.7%	530	7.4%	1,986	12.1%
Total At-Risk Centers	9,301	100.0%	7,120	100.0%	16,423	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	405		172		581	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bOther includes after school enrichment programs, apartments, behavioral health organizations, community afterschool programs, community-based programs, Department of Defense, adults with disabilities programs, hospitals, local municipal government programs, nonprofit public charities, and state universities.

Research Question 6: *What is the distribution of At-Risk centers between “open/drop-in” or “enrolled” sites?*

At-Risk Centers' Enrollment Policy	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
All children must enroll	6,349	68.6%	4,213	59.1%	10,562	64.5%
Some children enroll and some attend on a drop-in basis	1,833	19.8%	2,437	34.2%	4,270	26.1%
All children attend on a drop-in basis	1,072	11.6%	480	6.7%	1,552	9.5%
Total At-Risk Centers	9,254	100.0%	7,130	100.0%	16,384	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	412		171		583	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Research Question 7: What is the range and average number of children that At-Risk centers serve in a typical month during the school year?

Exhibit 4.13: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by the Number of Children Per Site in an Average Month During the School Year

Number of Children Served	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Fewer than 25	679	8.6%	278	5.0%	957	7.1%
25 - 50	1,608	20.4%	801	14.3%	2,409	17.9%
51 - 75	755	9.6%	426	7.6%	1,182	8.8%
76 - 100	1,029	13.1%	584	10.4%	1,613	12.0%
101 - 125	225	2.9%	531	9.5%	756	5.6%
126 - 150	428	5.4%	605	10.8%	1,033	7.7%
Greater than 150	3,159	40.1%	2,371	42.4%	5,530	41.0%
Total At-Risk Centers^b	7,882	100.0%	5,597	100.0%	13,479	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	346 (±83)		293 (±42)		324 (±89)	
Std. Error	68		41		44	
Total Unweighted Sample	360		141		501	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bA total of 3,457 (weighted) / 123 (unweighted) At-Risk Centers indicated they did not know or did not respond.

Research Question 8: What age children do At-Risk centers serve?

Exhibit 4.14: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Age Groups of Children Served

Ages of Children Served	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
< 1 year	326	3.5%	236	3.3%	562	3.4%
1 - 2 years	536	5.8%	499	7.0%	1,036	6.3%
3 – 5 years	3,092	33.2%	2,708	37.8%	5,800	35.2%
More than 5 years old	9,249	99.3%	6,845	95.6%	16,094	97.7%
Total At-Risk Centers	9,315	100.0%	7,161	100.0%	16,476	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	410		174		584	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

Research Question 9: What types of educational and enrichment activities to At-Risk centers offer to school-age children? What percentage offer agricultural or nutrition education?

Exhibit 4.15: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Educational and Enrichment Programming Offered						
Educational and Enrichment Programming Offered by At-Risk Centers	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
Recreation	8,236	87.3%	4,966	69.9%	13,201	79.8%
General academic assistance	7,709	81.7%	5,280	74.4%	12,990	78.5%
Physical education	7,230	76.6%	4,185	58.9%	11,415	69.0%
Arts education	7,219	76.5%	3,873	54.5%	11,092	67.1%
Nutrition education on healthy eating	7,025	74.4%	3,023	42.6%	10,047	60.7%
Good citizenship	6,750	71.5%	2,512	35.4%	9,262	56.0%
Anti-bullying	6,873	72.8%	2,348	33.1%	9,221	55.8%
Academic tutoring on specific subjects	4,726	50.1%	3,839	54.1%	8,565	51.8%
Education on growing healthy foods	4,417	46.8%	1,950	27.5%	6,368	38.5%
Other ^c	1,161	12.3%	945	13.3%	2,106	12.7%
Total At-Risk Centers	9,438	100.0%	7,101	100.0%	16,539	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	412		172		584	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes Science, Technology, Engineering, Math (STEM) activities, Robotics, music, field trips, work readiness, credit recovery for students, cooking classes, community projects, Boy Scouts, mentoring, and sports.

Research Question 10: How many hours do At-Risk centers serve children on weekdays after school?

Exhibit 4.16: Percent of At-Risk Centers that Serve Children on Weekdays When School is Not in Session						
At-Risk centers serve children when school is not in session	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Do not serve children on weekdays when school is not in session	3,586	39.4%	6,053	87.0%	9,639	60.0%
Serve children on weekdays when school is not in session	5,516	60.6%	903	13.0%	6,419	40.0%
Total At-Risk Centers	9,102	100.0%	6,956	100.0%	16,058	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	410		169		579	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 4.17: Distribution of At-Risk At-Risk Centers by Average Number of Hours They Operate on Weekdays When School is not in Session						
Average Number of Weekday Operating Hours When School is not in Session	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n
1 or fewer hours per day	161	3.0%	134	15.1%	295	4.8%
1.1 - 2 hours per day	186	3.5%	0	0.0%	186	3.0%
2.1 - 3 hours per day	74	1.4%	5	0.6%	79	1.3%
3.1 - 4 hours per day	81	1.5%	4	0.5%	85	1.4%
4.1 - 5 hours per day	41	0.8%	44	4.9%	85	1.4%
5.1 - 6 hours per day	16	0.3%	0	0.0%	16	0.3%
6.1 or more hours per day	4,735	89.4%	696	78.9%	5,432	87.9%
Total At-Risk Centers	5,295	100.0%	883	100.0%	6,178	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	254		31		285	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Research Question 11: What percentage of At-Risk centers provide child care programming on weekends? Among those sites that provide child care programming on weekends, how many hours are they open on those days?

Exhibit 4.18: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Whether They Serve Children on Weekends						
At-Risk Centers Serve Children on Weekend Days	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Serve children on weekends	724	7.9%	314	4.5%	1,039	6.4%
Do not serve children on weekends	8,411	92.1%	6,652	95.5%	15,064	93.6%
Total At-Risk Centers	9,136	100.0%	6,966	100.0%	16,102	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	410		170		580	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Research Question 12: What percentage of At-Risk centers offer child care programming during the summer months and how many children do they serve during the summer?

Exhibit 4.19: Percentage of At-Risk Centers that Provide Programming for Children During the Summer						
At-Risk Centers that Provide Summer Programming	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Do provide summer programming	6,995	74.6%	2,418	33.8%	9,412	57.0%
Do not provide summer programming	2,376	25.4%	4,729	66.2%	7,105	43.0%
Total At-Risk Centers	9,371	100.0%	7,147	100.0%	16,517	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	409		172		581	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 4.20: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Number of Children Served During the Summer^a						
Number of Children Served During Summer	Private ^b		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
1- 25	1,044	15.6%	393	16.9%	1,436	15.9%
26 - 50	1,588	23.7%	620	26.7%	2,208	24.5%
51 - 75	1,161	17.3%	237	10.2%	1,397	15.4%
76 - 100	884	13.2%	498	21.5%	1,381	15.3%
101 – 125	378	5.6%	19	0.8%	397	4.4%
126 - 150	524	7.8%	45	1.9%	569	6.3%
Greater than 150	1,123	16.8%	509	21.9%	1,632	18.1%
Total At-Risk Centers^b	6,701	100.0%	2,320	100.0%	9,021	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	90.6 (±13.17)		110.9 (±33.3)		95.8 (±16.0)	
Std. Error	7.7		19.6		8.0	
Total Unweighted Sample	296		63		359	

^aIncludes only those providers who provide summer programming.

^bIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Research Question 13: What percentage of At-Risk centers also participate in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) during the summer?

Exhibit 4.21: Percentage of At-Risk Centers that Participate in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)						
At-Risk Centers that Participate in SFSP	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Participate in SFSP	4,801	70.1%	2,045	89.0%	6,847	74.8%
Do not participate in SFSP	2,053	30.0%	253	11.0%	2,306	25.2%
Total At-Risk Centers	6,854	100.0%	2,298	100.0%	9,153	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^b	305		64		369	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bA total of 7,783 (weighted) / 235 (unweighted) of At-Risk Centers did not respond or indicated Don't Know.

Research Question 14: What percentage of At-Risk centers claim At-Risk meals and/or snacks during the summer months if school is open 12 months in their area?

Exhibit 4.22: Percentage of At-Risk Centers that Are in Areas with Year-Round School						
At-Risk Centers in Areas with Year-Round School	Private		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Not in area with year-round school	5,848	83.6%	1,747	75.7%	7,595	81.6%
In an area with year-round school	1,150	16.4%	561	24.3%	1,711	18.4%
Total At-Risk Centers	6,999	100.0%	2,307	100.0%	9,306	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^b	306		65		371	

^aIncludes private for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bA total of 7,477 (unweighted) / 223 (weighted) of At-Risk Centers indicated Don't Know or did not respond.

Exhibit 4.23: Distribution of At-Risk Centers Claiming At-Risk CACFP Meals and/or Snacks During the Summer When in Areas with Year-Round School^b

At-Risk Centers Claim Meals/Snacks in Summer in Areas with Year-Round School	Private		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Do not claim at-risk meals/snacks in summer	643	64.8%	471	84.8%	1,114	72.0%
Claim at-risk meals/snacks in summer	350	35.2%	84	15.2%	434	28.0%
Total At-Risk Centers	992	100.0%	556	100.0%	1,548	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^b	43		15		58	

^aIncludes private for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bIncludes only those At-Risk Providers who indicated they are in an area with a 12-month school year (weighted n = 1741).

^bA total of 12 unweighted / 199 weighted indicated "don't know" or didn't respond.

Research Question 15: *What percentage of At-Risk centers claim only At-Risk meals and/or snacks?*

Exhibit 4.24: Percentage of At-Risk Centers that Claim Only At-Risk CACFP Meals and/or Snacks

At-Risk Centers that Claim At-Risk Meals/Snacks	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Claim only At-Risk CACFP meals/snacks	6,219	66.4%	5,435	76.8%	11,655	70.9%
Do not claim only At-Risk CACFP meals/snacks	3,142	33.6%	1,645	23.2%	4,787	29.1%
Total At-Risk Centers	9,361	100.0%	7,080	100.0%	16,442	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	407		169		576	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Research Question 16: *For Mixed At-Risk centers (those that claim At-Risk and Non-At-Risk meals/snacks): What percentage of children enrolled are approved for free or reduced priced meals for the center's regular CACFP program?*

Exhibit 4.25: Distribution of Mixed At-Risk Centers by Percentage of Children Approved For Free or Reduced Priced Meals for the Regular CACFP Program

Percentage of Children That Are Approved For Free or Reduced Priced Meals in Regular CACFP	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total All At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Less than or equal to 25%	255	8.8%	159	8.2%	415	8.6%
26 – 50%	390	13.5%	220	11.4%	610	12.7%
51 – 75%	472	16.3%	262	13.6%	734	15.2%
76 – 100%	1,768	61.3%	1,293	66.8%	3,061	63.5%
Total All At-Risk Centers	2,885	100.0%	1,934	100.0%	4,819	100.0%
Mean (95% CI halfwidth)	75.5% (±17.6%)		77.6% (±12.1%)		76.6% (±16.5%)	
Std. Error	6.1%		5.4%		0.4%	
Total Unweighted Sample	139		56		195	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Research Question 17: How many and what types of CACFP meals and/or snacks do At-Risk centers claim on weekdays?

Exhibit 4.26: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Combinations of At-Risk CACFP Meals/Snacks Served on Weekdays

Meals/Snacks Served on Weekdays	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total All At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
At-Risk Supper Only	2,764	31.6%	3,981	58.3%	6,745	43.3%
At-Risk Snack Only	2,559	29.3%	2,076	30.4%	4,634	29.8%
At-Risk Supper and Snack	2,120	24.3%	434	6.4%	2,554	16.4%
At-Risk Breakfast, Lunch, Snack	401	4.6%	186	2.7%	587	3.8%
At-Risk Lunch Only	399	4.6%	0	0.0%	399	2.6%
Other At-Risk meal combinations	499	5.7%	157	2.3%	656	4.2%
Total All At-Risk Centers	8,742	100.0%	6,834	100.0%	15,575	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	395		165		560	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 4.27: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Where Most of the At-Risk Afterschool Meals They Serve Are Prepared

Where At-Risk Afterschool Meals are Prepared	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Central kitchen of organization of CACFP sponsor	1,307	38.9%	1,026	42.7%	2,333	40.4%
By a commercial food service vendor	1,165	34.6%	659	27.4%	1,825	31.6%
Another community site	220	6.5%	368	15.3%	588	10.2%
Food bank or emergency kitchen	529	15.7%	0	0.0%	529	9.2%
Local school that is not the sponsor	100	3.0%	255	10.6%	355	6.1%
Local restaurant with a catering permit	31	0.9%	97	4.0%	128	2.2%
Homeless shelter	11	0.3%	0	0.0%	11	0.2%
Total At-Risk Centers	3,364	100.0%	2,405	100.0%	5,769	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	122		59		181	

^a Includes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Research Question 18: What percentage of At-Risk centers serve only cold meals/snacks?

Exhibit 4.28: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Temperature of At-Risk Afterschool Meals

Cold and Hot Food Served in At-Risk CACFP	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Serve both cold and hot food	5,481	63.6%	3,471	50.7%	8,953	57.9%
Serve only cold food	2,958	34.3%	3,115	45.5%	6,073	39.3%
Serve only hot food	175	2.0%	264	3.8%	438	2.8%
Total At-Risk Centers	8,614	100.0%	6,850	100.0%	15,464	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	382		165		547	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Research Question 19: What percentage of At-Risk Centers receive support (food, cash or in-kind) from sources other than CACFP for the meals and snacks served during the year after school, on weekends, or during school holidays?

Exhibit 4.29: Percentage of At-Risk Centers that Receive Support from Sources Other than the CACFP						
At-Risk Centers Receive Support Other than CACFP	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Do not receive non-CACFP support	7,152	75.6%	6,124	87.9%	13,277	80.8%
Receive support from non-CACFP sources ^b	2,312	24.4%	841	12.1%	3,152	19.2%
Total At-Risk Centers	9,464	100.0%	6,965	100.0%	16,429	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	412		169		581	

^a Includes private for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^b Non-CACFP sources means money not from reimbursements and fees

Research Question 20: Among the At-Risk centers that do receive such support, did they begin receiving it before or after enrolling in At-risk CACFP and what are the sources of those supports (e.g. food banks, fees charged to parents, emergency shelter programs, etc.)?

Exhibit 4.30: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Sources of Support Other than the CACFP^a						
Sources of Non-CACFP Support	Private ^b		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Provider organization's operating budget	1,252	59.1%	355	42.3%	1,618	54.4%
Emergency food assistance programs ^c	626	29.6%	0	0.0%	642	21.6%
Charitable organizations	629	29.7%	10	1.2%	639	21.5%
Fundraising efforts specifically for food items	361	17.0%	12	1.4%	372	12.5%
Fees charged to parents	180	8.5%	41	4.9%	221	7.4%
Other ^d	574	27.1%	480	57.0%	1,054	35.4%
Total At-Risk Centers	2,118	100.0%	841	100.0%	2,974	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	93		20		113	

^a Includes only At-Risk centers with sources of non-CACFP support (see Exhibit 4.29 above).

^b Includes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^c Emergency food assistance programs include such programs as food banks, food pantries, or soup kitchens

^d Other includes community donations, grants, United Way, Kiwanis International, etc.

Exhibit 4.31: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Number of Years Of Support from Sources Other than CACFP						
Number of Years At-Risk Centers Received Support Other than CACFP	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n
Less than 1 year	13	0.9%	0	0.0%	13	0.8%
1 year	471	32.0%	0	0.0%	471	28.0%
2-3 years	138	9.4%	153	73.0%	291	17.3%
4-5 years	163	11.1%	24	11.4%	187	11.1%
6-10 years	244	16.6%	0	0.0%	244	14.5%
11-20 years	320	21.7%	6	2.6%	325	19.3%
Greater than 20 years	124	8.4%	27	12.9%	151	9.0%
Total At-Risk Centers^b	1,473	100.0%	209	100.0%	1,681	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^c	56		11		67	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bA total of 3,168 of At-Risk Centers indicated that they receive support from non-CACFP source; 1,449 (weighted) of At-Risk providers receiving such support did not respond. Includes only those At-Risk Providers who indicated that they receive non-CACFP support (weighted n = 3161). A total of 52 unweighted / 1,449 weighted indicated "don't know" or didn't respond.

Research Question 21: What type of outreach (e.g., media, schools, flyers, networking), if any, do At-Risk centers conduct (on their own or with partners) for the At-Risk Afterschool Meal Program?

Exhibit 4.32: Percentage of At-Risk Centers that Conduct Outreach for the At-Risk CACFP						
Conduct Outreach for At-Risk CACFP	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n
Do not conduct outreach	4,156	45.1%	3,902	56.5%	8,058	50.0%
Conduct outreach	5,055	54.9%	3,001	43.5%	8,056	50.0%
Total At-Risk Centers	9,211	100.0%	6,903	100.0%	16,114	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	402		165		567	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Exhibit 4.33: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by the Type of Outreach Conducted for the At-Risk CACFP						
Type of Outreach	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
Flyers/brochures at local schools	4,064	76.9%	2,252	69.7%	6,316	74.1%
Social media	3,176	60.1%	1,255	38.8%	4,430	52.0%
Press releases	2,382	45.0%	1,174	36.3%	3,556	41.7%
Flyers/brochures at local libraries	1,132	21.4%	710	22.0%	1,843	21.6%
Flyers/brochures at local stores	1,018	19.3%	574	17.8%	1,593	18.7%
Other ^c	1,796	34.0%	1,012	31.3%	2,808	33.0%
Total At-Risk Centers	5,288	100.0%	3,233	100.0%	8,522	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	212		88		300	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations. Includes only those that conduct outreach (see Exhibit 4.32).

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes flyers/brochures at churches/schools, radio, local magazines, district website, parent orientations, parent letters, school website, local community channel on TV, word of mouth, etc.

Research Question 22: What outreach activities do At-Risk centers consider most effective?

Exhibit 4.34: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Type of At-Risk Program Outreach They Consider Most Effective						
Type of Outreach for At-Risk CACFP	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
Flyers/brochures at local schools	3,200	52.8%	2,259	54.7%	5,459	53.6%
Outreach by local schools	1,982	32.7%	1,543	37.4%	3,526	34.6%
Outreach on social media	2,112	34.8%	625	15.1%	2,737	26.9%
Other community organizations	1,831	30.2%	541	13.1%	2,372	23.3%
Flyers/brochures at local libraries	1,244	20.5%	403	9.8%	1,646	16.1%
Press releases	812	13.4%	342	8.3%	1,154	11.3%
Flyers/brochures at local stores	993	16.4%	128	3.1%	1,120	11.0%
Outreach by advocacy organizations	409	6.7%	340	8.2%	749	7.3%
Outreach by religious organizations	459	7.6%	154	3.7%	613	6.0%
Other ^c	1,212	20.0%	858	20.8%	2,070	20.3%
Total At-Risk Centers	6,065	100.0%	4,128	100.0%	10,193	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^d	243		102		345	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations. Includes only those that conduct outreach (see Exhibit 4.32).

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes word of mouth, door hangers, flyers at churches, flyers at CACFP sites, and family referrals.

^dIncludes those that noted that they conducted outreach in general.

Research Question 23: How difficult do At-Risk centers perceive it was for them to apply and be determined eligible for the At-Risk component of CACFP?

Exhibit 4.35: Distribution of At-Risk Provider Reports by Perceived Level of Difficulty to Become Eligible to Claim At-Risk Afterschool Meals and/or Snacks						
Perceived Level of Difficulty to Become Eligible for At-Risk CACFP	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. N	Percent
Very difficult	74	1.0%	141	2.6%	225	1.7%
Somewhat difficult	1,317	17.7%	676	12.6%	1,998	15.6%
Not difficult at all	6,042	81.3%	4,524	84.7%	10,637	82.7%
Total At-Risk Centers^b	7,433	100.0%	5,341	100.0%	12,861	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	324		141		465	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bA total of 4075 (weighted)/ 129 (unweighted) At-Risk Providers (24.1%) did not provide a response.

Research Question 24: What factors, if any, posed barriers to At-Risk centers' initial enrollment in the At-Risk component of the CACFP?

Exhibit 4.36: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Barriers to Initial Enrollment in the At-Risk CACFP

Barriers to Initial Enrollment	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
Limited food storage space	336	26.4%	340	35.5%	681	30.5%
Need to document licensing/registration status	249	19.6%	223	23.3%	482	21.6%
Documenting funding and staffing	380	29.9%	80	8.4%	465	20.9%
Area eligibility rules	298	23.4%	97	10.1%	394	17.7%
Determining how to budget for meals	101	7.9%	214	22.4%	320	14.3%
No experience with food service contracts	264	20.7%	36	3.8%	300	13.5%
Not enough cooking staff	232	18.2%	35	3.7%	268	12.0%
No experience planning or preparing CACFP meals	147	11.5%	104	10.9%	256	11.5%
State and local health and safety requirements	238	18.7%	14	1.5%	252	11.3%
Meal pattern requirements	154	12.1%	66	6.9%	220	9.9%
Limited food preparation space	109	8.6%	83	8.7%	198	8.9%
Program enrichment activities requirement	38	12.8%	11	1.1%	49	2.2%
Other ^c	301	23.6%	265	27.7%	644	28.9%
Total At-Risk Centers^d	1,273	100.0%	957	100.0%	2,230	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	81		37		118	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes the application form and process, extremely poor communication and support from the state contact, meeting the states' standards for a non-licensed facility, workload, and paperwork.

^dA total of 14,706 (weighted)/ 452 (unweighted) of At-Risk Centers did not respond or answered that they do not know.

Research Question 25: *What challenges, if any, did At-Risk centers face when first beginning to participate in the CACFP?*

Exhibit 4.37: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Initial Participation Challenges for the At-Risk CACFP

Challenges in Initial Participation	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
Recordkeeping (other than food service records)	683	18.9%	964	26.1%	1,647	22.5%
Training staff to assure site's compliance with CACFP rules	2,036	56.2%	2,211	59.8%	4,247	58.0%
Finding enough food storage space	1,270	35.1%	1,310	35.4%	2,580	35.3%
Determining how much food to purchase or prepare	1,207	33.3%	860	23.3%	2,067	28.2%
Completing CACFP food service records	1,358	37.5%	704	19.0%	2,062	28.2%
Training staff to serve meals	536	14.8%	1,186	32.1%	1,722	23.5%
Budgeting meals	414	11.4%	637	17.2%	1,051	14.4%
Learning how to plan menus	549	15.2%	406	11.0%	954	13.0%
Hiring skilled food service workers	389	10.7%	513	13.9%	902	12.3%
Finding food preparation space	417	11.5%	138	3.7%	555	7.6%
Storing foods at the correct temperature	316	8.7%	122	3.3%	438	6.0%
Planning a kitchen	72	2.0%	124	3.4%	195	2.7%
Meeting food sanitation requirements	174	4.8%	10	0.3%	184	2.5%
Meal clean up	799	22.1%	799	21.6%	0	0.0%
Other ^c	482	13.3%	936	25.3%	1,419	19.4%
No challenges	2,628	72.6%	1,485	40.2%	4,113	56.2%
Total At-Risk Centers	3,620	100.0%	3,697	100.0%	7,317	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	168		84		252	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations. Includes only those that indicated challenges.

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes the length of time to become an At-Risk center, maintenance of the 25% for-profit eligibility, students disliked the food, learning to plan menus, shopping time, and ability to complete all necessary paperwork.

Research Question 26: *For Mixed At-Risk centers (claiming At-Risk and Non-At-Risk meals/snacks) Only: What challenges, if any, are faced by At-Risk centers that claim both At-Risk and non- At-Risk meals and/or snacks?*

Exhibit 4.38: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Claims for At-Risk and Non-At-Risk Meals and/or Snacks

At-Risk-Only/Mixed At-Risk Status	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Claim only At-Risk meals or snacks	6,219	66.4%	5,435	27.3%	11,654	70.9%
Claim both At-Risk and non-At-Risk meals or snacks	3,142	33.6%	1,645	72.7%	4,789	29.1%
Total At-Risk Centers^b	9,361	100.0%	7,080	100.0%	7,080	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	407		169		576	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bA total of 7,575(weighted) / 197 (unweighted) of At-Risk Centers did not respond or answered that they do not know.

Exhibit 4.39: Distribution of Mixed At-Risk Centers by Challenges Faced by Claiming Both At-Risk and Non-At-Risk Meals and/or Snacks		
Challenges to Claiming Both At-Risk and Non-At-Risk Meals and/or Snacks	Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent
No challenges	3,002	94.9%
Maintaining separate meal counts for both parts of CACFP	89	2.8%
Maintaining two systems of eligibility	69	2.2%
Training staff on differences in recordkeeping for both parts of CACFP	39	1.2%
Claiming under At-Risk and traditional CACFP during the school year and only traditional CACFP during the summer	67	2.1%
Budgeting when meals are paid at multiple rates	26	0.8%
Other ^c	2	0.1%
Total All Mixed At-Risk Centers	3,162	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	112	

^aIncludes Mixed At-Risk for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bOther included maintaining the 25% for profit eligibility and paperwork.

Research Question 27: Among At-Risk centers that do not participate in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP), what do they cite as reasons or specific barriers to their participation?

Exhibit 4.40: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Factors that Prevented Sites from Being a Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Site						
Factors that Prevented Sites from Being a SFSP Site	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
Multiple SFSP sites in the area	421	30.8%	45	19.4%	465	29.0%
Have never considered participating in the Summer Food Service Program	544	39.7%	61	26.3%	605	37.7%
Not interested in participating	231	16.9%	100	43.1%	331	20.6%
Staffing limitations	233	17.0%	27	11.6%	260	16.2%
Lack of sufficient programming space	210	15.3%	0	0.0%	210	13.1%
Lack of transportation for the children	104	7.6%	0	0.0%	104	6.5%
State agency approval	39	2.8%	5	2.2%	45	2.8%
Challenges obtaining licensing or health and safety approval	27	2.0%	0	0.0%	27	1.7%
SFSP and CACFP program operate from two different State agencies	24	1.8%	0	0.0%	24	1.5%
Other ^c	310	22.6%	152	65.5%	462	28.8%
Total At-Risk Centers^d	1,369	100.0%	232	100.0%	1,606	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	136		2		138	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations. Includes only those that are not participating in the SFSP (N = 2,306 based on Exhibit 4.21).

^bDetail does not add to 100 as respondents could choose more than one response.

^cOther includes no space, the fact that they serve children aged 6 weeks old to 5 years olds only, must be a non-profit org, paperwork, lack of parent participation, insufficient time for approval and transition.

^dA total of 5,241 (weighted) / 462 (unweighted) indicated "Don't Know" or did not respond.

Research Question 28: What is needed to increase participation by At-Risk centers in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)?

Exhibit 4.41: Percentage of At-Risk Centers Interested in Becoming a Site for the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)

Future SFSP Participation	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent	Wtd. n	Percent
Not interested in participating in SFSP	3,332	75.6%	3,398	70.6%	6,730	73.0%
Interested in participating in SFSP	1,073	24.4%	1,415	29.4%	2,487	27.0%
Total At-Risk Centers	4,405	100.0%	4,813	100.0%	9,305	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample^b	221		118		339	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations

^bThe unweighted sample includes At-Risk providers who indicated they either did not know if they participated or did not participate in the SFSP.

Exhibit 4.42: Distribution of At-Risk Centers by Needs to Become a Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Site

-Risk Center Needs for SFSP	Private ^a		Public Agency, School, or School District		Total At-Risk Centers	
	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b	Wtd. n	Percent ^b
How to get started	611	95.3%	149	27.0%	761	63.6%
General information	11	1.8%	213	38.5%	224	18.8%
meals/Eligibility	2	0.3%	172	31.0%	174	14.5%
Training	17	2.6%	20	3.5%	36	3.1%
Total At-Risk Centers^b	642	100.0%	553	100.0%	1195	100.0%
Total Unweighted Sample	27		12		39	

^aIncludes for-profit and non-profit organizations.

^bIncludes only respondents who indicated that they are not SFSPs and are interested in becoming ones (see Exhibit 4.41).