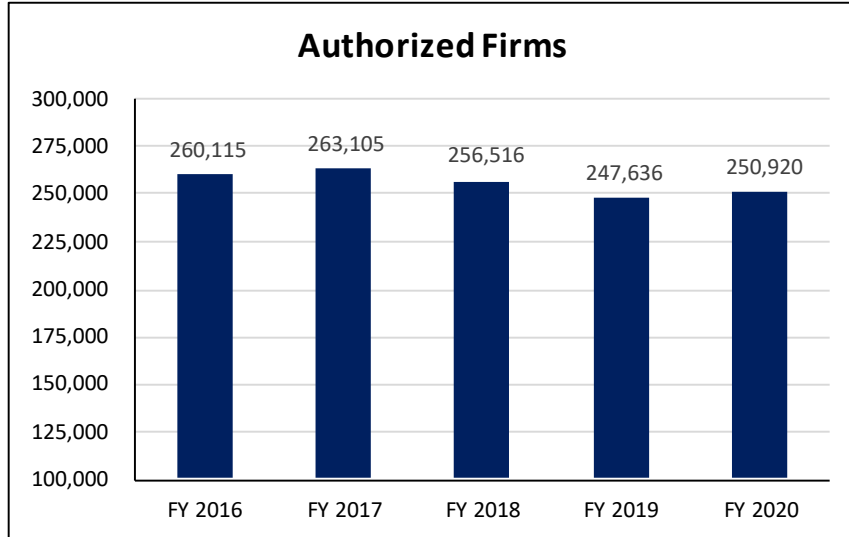


# FISCAL YEAR 2020 YEAR END SUMMARY

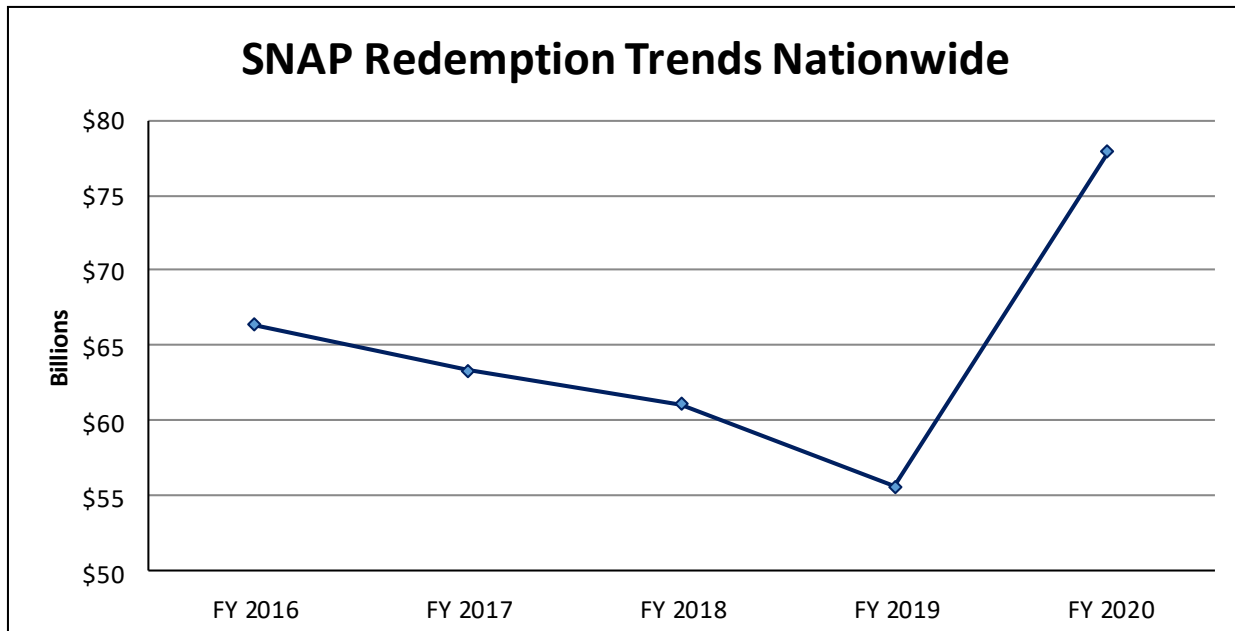
## Number of SNAP Authorized Firms



- As of September 30, 2020, there were 250,920 firms authorized to participate in SNAP.
- Between 2016 and 2019, the number of authorized firms decreased by five percent. In 2020, there was a slight increase from the prior year.

## SNAP Redemptions by Fiscal Year

Due to emergency benefits provided in response to the Covid-19 Pandemic, SNAP redemptions increased significantly in fiscal year 2020. SNAP redemptions were approximately \$78 billion in fiscal year 2020; this is a forty percent increase from the prior year. All SNAP redemption figures in this report include both SNAP and Pandemic EBT (P-EBT) redemptions.



## Redemptions by Firm Type

Combined, supermarkets and super stores redeem over 82 percent of all SNAP benefits while making up 15 percent of the total number of authorized firms.

Firm Types	Total Firms Authorized	Percent of Total	Redemption Amount	Percent of Total
Bakery Specialty	2,433	0.97%	\$112,206,893	0.14%
Combination Grocery/Other	61,460	24.49%	\$4,361,245,827	5.60%
Convenience Store	111,277	44.35%	\$3,807,361,855	4.89%
Delivery Route	636	0.25%	\$57,940,601	0.07%
Direct Marketing Farmer	1,930	0.77%	\$14,153,343	0.02%
Farmers Market	2,726	1.09%	\$18,949,412	0.02%
Fruits/Veg Specialty	809	0.32%	\$46,731,893	0.06%
Internet Retailer	7	0.00%	\$808,583,536	1.04%
Large Grocery Store	3,871	1.54%	\$1,360,112,292	1.75%
Meat/Poultry Specialty	2,327	0.93%	\$330,970,127	0.43%
Medium Grocery Store	10,055	4.01%	\$1,557,126,680	2.00%
Military Commissary	187	0.07%	\$41,703,955	0.05%
Non-profit Food Buying Co-op	175	0.07%	\$9,214,607	0.01%
Seafood Specialty	1,116	0.44%	\$228,439,330	0.29%
Small Grocery Store	8,833	3.52%	\$572,995,706	0.74%
Super Store	19,313	7.70%	\$41,919,484,315	53.85%
Supermarket	18,656	7.44%	\$22,362,833,418	28.73%
<b>Total</b>	<b>245,811</b>	<b>97.96%</b>	<b>\$77,610,053,790</b>	<b>99.69%</b>
Communal Dining Facility	205	0.08%	\$2,181,266	0.00%
Drug and/or Alcohol Treatment Program	808	0.32%	\$38,275,646	0.05%
Group Living Arrangement	543	0.22%	\$85,184,171	0.11%
Homeless Meal Provider	146	0.06%	\$3,498,458	0.00%
Meal Delivery Service	175	0.07%	\$617,599	0.00%
Private Restaurant/Meal Delivery	3,055	1.22%	\$95,381,877	0.12%
Senior Citizens Center/Residential Building	164	0.07%	\$11,870,059	0.02%
Shelter for Battered Women and Children	13	0.01%	\$1,002,668	0.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,109</b>	<b>2.04%</b>	<b>\$238,011,744</b>	<b>0.31%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>250,920</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$77,848,065,534</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

## Redemptions by Region and State

California, Florida, Texas, and New York continue to have the highest number of firms and redemptions.

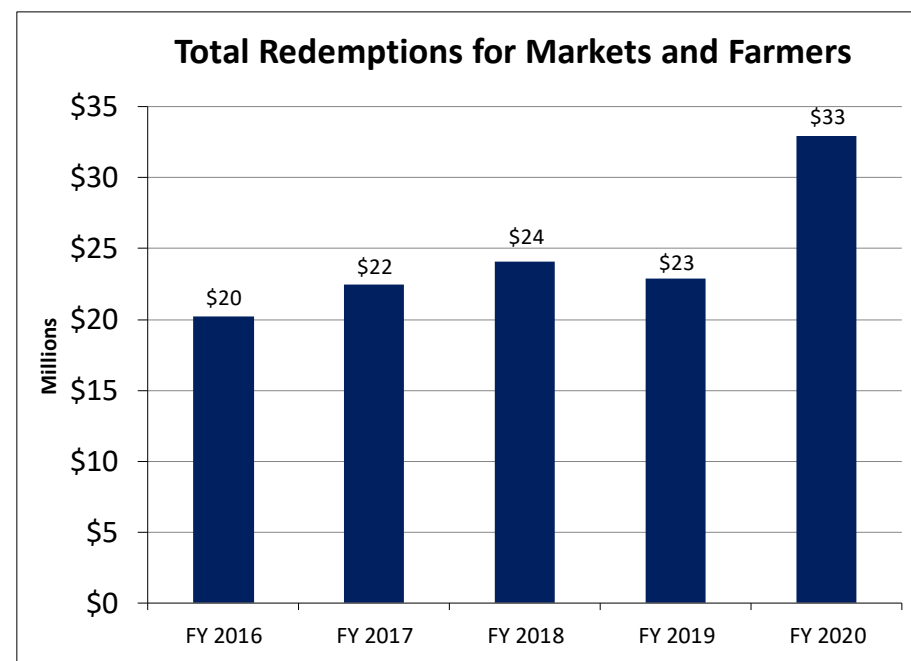
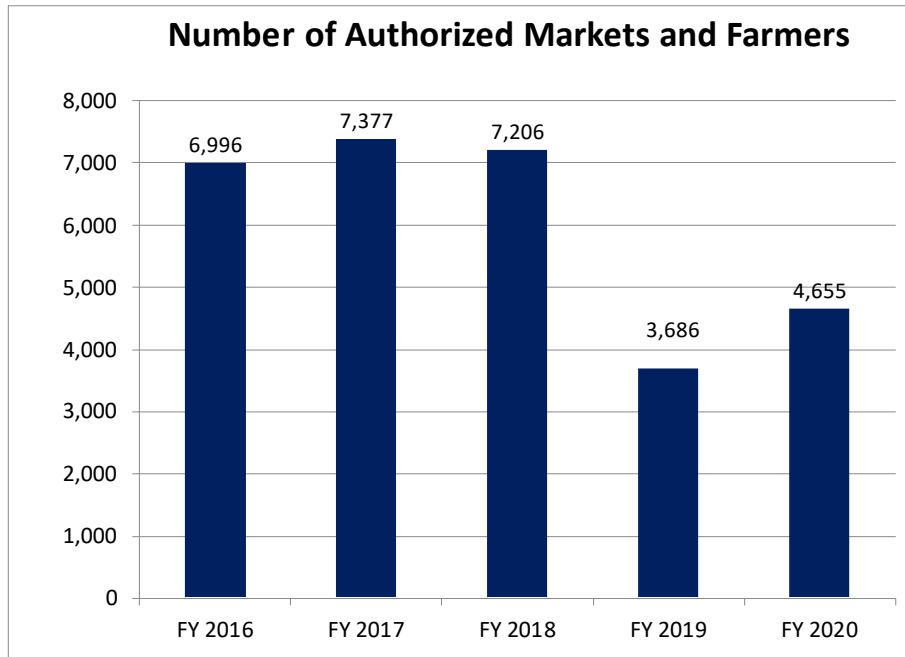
Region	State	Authorized Firms	Redemption Amount	Percent of Total Firms	Percent of Total Redemptions
<b>Northeast</b>	Connecticut	2,436	\$784,647,686	0.97%	1.01%
	Maine	1,461	\$279,205,798	0.58%	0.36%
	Massachusetts	5,403	\$1,577,039,794	2.15%	2.03%
	New Hampshire	1,059	\$178,156,223	0.42%	0.23%
	New York	17,124	\$5,213,875,079	6.82%	6.70%
	Rhode Island	940	\$271,100,711	0.37%	0.35%
	Vermont	692	\$84,971,374	0.28%	0.11%
	Virgin Islands	96	\$55,493,106	0.04%	0.07%
	<b>Region Totals</b>	<b>29,211</b>	<b>\$8,444,489,770</b>	<b>11.64%</b>	<b>10.85%</b>
<b>Mid-Atlantic</b>	Delaware	767	\$239,918,048	0.31%	0.31%
	District of Columbia	454	\$136,258,636	0.18%	0.18%
	Maryland	3,569	\$1,427,585,974	1.42%	1.83%
	New Jersey	5,747	\$1,528,093,475	2.29%	1.96%
	Pennsylvania	9,976	\$3,333,770,382	3.98%	4.28%
	Virginia	6,350	\$1,523,710,066	2.53%	1.96%
	West Virginia	2,121	\$536,148,441	0.85%	0.69%
		<b>Region Totals</b>	<b>28,984</b>	<b>\$8,725,485,021</b>	<b>11.55%</b>
<b>Southeast</b>	Alabama	4,625	\$1,389,073,876	1.84%	1.78%
	Florida	14,951	\$6,239,396,283	5.96%	8.01%
	Georgia	9,378	\$2,920,114,955	3.74%	3.75%
	Kentucky	4,465	\$1,129,560,389	1.78%	1.45%
	Mississippi	3,122	\$875,518,484	1.24%	1.12%
	North Carolina	8,924	\$2,564,295,544	3.56%	3.29%
	South Carolina	4,946	\$1,221,986,777	1.97%	1.57%
	Tennessee	6,403	\$1,622,113,482	2.55%	2.08%
		<b>Region Totals</b>	<b>56,814</b>	<b>\$17,962,059,790</b>	<b>22.64%</b>
<b>Southwest</b>	Arkansas	2,612	\$1,319,484,576	1.04%	1.69%
	Arizona	4,444	\$1,578,147,365	1.77%	2.03%
	Louisiana	4,274	\$1,644,630,159	1.70%	2.11%
	New Mexico	1,609	\$863,062,713	0.64%	1.11%
	Oklahoma	3,511	\$1,033,912,708	1.40%	1.33%
	Texas	20,416	\$6,875,747,471	8.14%	8.83%
	Utah	1,505	\$283,889,541	0.60%	0.36%
		<b>Region Totals</b>	<b>38,371</b>	<b>\$13,598,874,534</b>	<b>15.29%</b>

## Redemptions by Region and State (continued)

Region	State	Authorized Firms	Redemption Amount	Percent of Total Firms	Percent of Total Redemptions
<b>Midwest</b>	Illinois	9,220	\$3,389,656,380	3.67%	4.35%
	Indiana	5,337	\$1,257,903,063	2.13%	1.62%
	Iowa	2,918	\$580,662,643	1.16%	0.75%
	Michigan	9,534	\$2,464,501,215	3.80%	3.17%
	Minnesota	3,465	\$672,819,042	1.38%	0.86%
	Ohio	9,714	\$2,784,558,522	3.87%	3.58%
	Wisconsin	4,171	\$1,134,361,673	1.66%	1.46%
	<b>Region Totals</b>	<b>44,359</b>	<b>\$12,284,462,537</b>	<b>17.68%</b>	<b>15.78%</b>
<b>Mountain Plains</b>	Colorado	2,917	\$888,556,272	1.16%	1.14%
	Kansas	2,016	\$373,509,716	0.80%	0.48%
	Missouri	4,888	\$1,356,428,274	1.95%	1.74%
	Montana	784	\$194,139,917	0.31%	0.25%
	Nebraska	1,325	\$272,923,654	0.53%	0.35%
	North Dakota	561	\$101,192,506	0.22%	0.13%
	South Dakota	757	\$145,604,765	0.30%	0.19%
	Wyoming	352	\$48,653,266	0.14%	0.06%
	<b>Region Totals</b>	<b>13,600</b>	<b>\$3,381,008,371</b>	<b>5.42%</b>	<b>4.34%</b>
<b>Western</b>	Alaska	533	\$207,722,932	0.21%	0.27%
	California	26,625	\$8,530,403,279	10.61%	10.96%
	Guam	221	\$112,322,752	0.09%	0.14%
	Hawaii	944	\$574,054,706	0.38%	0.74%
	Idaho	1,089	\$253,632,137	0.43%	0.33%
	Nevada	1,878	\$791,752,019	0.75%	1.02%
	Oregon	3,414	\$1,129,506,426	1.36%	1.45%
	Washington	4,877	\$1,852,291,260	1.94%	2.38%
	<b>Region Totals</b>	<b>39,581</b>	<b>\$13,451,685,511</b>	<b>15.77%</b>	<b>17.28%</b>
<b>National Totals</b>		<b>250,920</b>	<b>\$77,848,065,534</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

# Farmers Markets and Direct Marketing Farmers

- Since 2019, the number of authorized farmers markets and direct marketing farmers increased by 26%. Additionally, redemptions increased by 44% in the same period.
- Over 50 percent of all authorized markets and farmers are found in eleven States: California 506, Massachusetts 384, New York 290, Michigan 248, Washington 157, Oregon 138, Ohio 132, Pennsylvania 131, Virginia 131, Iowa 128 and North Carolina 121.



## Key Facts

- Since 2016, farmers market and direct marketing farmer redemptions have increased by 63 percent.
- In fiscal year 2020, SNAP households made 1,570,343 purchases at farmers markets and direct marketing farmers nationwide. The average purchase amount was \$21.94.
- More SNAP benefits were redeemed at farmers markets and direct marketing farmers in fiscal year 2020 during August than any other month of the year.
- 402,950 SNAP households made at least one purchase at a farmers market or direct marketing farmer in fiscal year 2020.
- 47 percent of the 402,950 households that shopped at a farmers market or direct marketing farmer made one purchase; another 17 percent made two purchases; and 35 percent made three or more purchases within the year. These percentages have remained relatively unchanged over a ten year period.

# Operational Retailer Management Activity

## Authorizations:

Initial Authorization	19,906
Reinstatement	2,942
<b>Total Authorizations</b>	<b>22,848</b>

## Reauthorizations:

**44,013**

## Applicants Denied:

Did Not Meet SNAP Eligibility Criteria	1,685
Business Integrity Issue	49
Failed to Pay Assessed Monetary Penalty	14
Denied for Other Reasons	9
<b>Total Denials</b>	<b>1,757</b>

## Participating Firms Withdrawn :

Voluntarily Withdrew	8,109
No SNAP Transaction Activity	3,119
Did Not Respond to Reauthorization	4,330
Did Not Meet SNAP Eligibility Criteria	1,902
Failed to Cooperate with Information Request	76
Business Integrity Issue	38
Withdrawn for Other Reasons	17
<b>Total Withdrawals</b>	<b>17,591</b>

## Total Actions

**86,209**

## Compliance Activity

In fiscal year 2020, FNS identified 26,766 firms as potential compliance violators and conducted over 13,276 investigations of authorized retail firms to determine compliance with program regulations.

FNS may sanction or warn retailers found violating Program rules. Sanctions include permanent or time-limited term disqualifications and civil money penalties. Retailers who commit minor violations are issued official warning letters. Retailers who are disqualified permanently and later sell their stores are also subject to a transfer of ownership civil money penalty.

<b>Sanctions</b>	<b>Total</b>
Time-Limited Term Disqualification	858
Permanent Disqualifications	1,144
Hardship CMP	185
Trafficking Civil Money Penalty (CMP)	5
Total Sanction Actions	2,192
<b>Other Compliance Actions</b>	<b>Total</b>
Transfer of Ownership CMP	189
Official Warning	1,157
Involuntary Withdrawal (for other than non-redemption)	492
Permanent Involuntary Withdrawal	18
Fiscal Claim	79
Unauthorized Acceptance Fine	38
Total Compliance Actions	1,973
<b>Total Sanctions + Compliance Actions</b>	<b>4,165</b>

## Sanctions by Firm Type

Firm Type	Time-Limited Term Disqualification	Permanent Disqualification	Hardship Civil Money Penalty in Lieu of Time Limited Term Disqualification	Trafficking Civil Money Penalty in Lieu of Permanent Disqualification	Total
Meal Service—Alcohol and Drug Treatment	0	1	0	0	1
Bakery Specialty	0	6	0	0	6
Combination Grocery/Other	18	23	8	0	49
Convenience Store	600	743	96	2	1,441
Delivery Route	0	3	0	0	3
Fruits/Veg Specialty	0	1	1	0	2
Large Grocery Store	5	6	1	0	12
Meat/Poultry Specialty	2	2	0	0	4
Medium Grocery Store	50	53	27	2	132
Seafood Specialty	0	4	1	0	5
Small Grocery Store	177	301	49	1	528
Supermarket	3	0	1	0	4
Super Store	3	1	1	0	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>858</b>	<b>1,144</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2,192</b>

## Sanctions by State

State	Time-Limited Term Disqualification	Permanent Disqualification	Hardship CMP in Lieu of Term Disqualification	Trafficking CMP in Lieu of Permanent Disqualification	Total
AK	0	1	0	0	1
AL	9	6	4	0	19
AR	7	2	1	0	10
AZ	2	6	1	0	9
CA	105	93	27	0	225
CO	6	4	1	0	11
CT	20	41	5	0	66
DC	0	7	1	0	8
DE	4	5	1	0	10
FL	69	62	18	0	149
GA	27	35	2	0	64
GU	0	1	0	0	1
HI	1	0	0	0	1
IA	1	1	0	0	2
ID	0	0	0	0	0
IL	8	88	3	1	100
IN	9	8	1	0	18
KS	1	1	0	0	2
KY	12	2	7	0	21
LA	7	16	6	0	29
MA	30	17	6	0	53
MD	9	41	5	0	55
ME	1	0	0	0	1
MI	7	19	2	0	28
MN	3	7	0	0	10
MO	3	3	1	0	7
MS	6	6	3	0	15
MT	0	1	0	0	1
NC	30	13	10	0	53
ND	0	0	1	0	1
NE	0	0	0	0	0
NH	2	1	2	0	5
NJ	68	80	6	0	154
NM	0	1	0	0	1
NV	3	8	1	0	12
NY	245	350	25	2	622
OH	7	24	1	0	32

## Sanctions by State (continued)

State	Time-Limited Term Disqualification	Permanent Disqualification	Hardship CMP in Lieu of Term Disqualification	Trafficking CMP in Lieu of Permanent Disqualification	Total
OK	6	4	1	0	11
OR	0	3	1	0	4
PA	53	72	5	1	131
RI	5	4	1	0	10
SC	3	4	1	0	8
SD	1	0	0	0	1
TN	4	9	3	0	16
TX	58	53	17	1	129
UT	1	2	0	0	3
VA	4	11	4	0	19
VI	0	3	0	0	3
VT	2	0	1	0	3
WA	6	14	7	0	27
WI	13	15	3	0	31
WV	0	0	0	0	0
WY	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>858</b>	<b>1,144</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2,192</b>

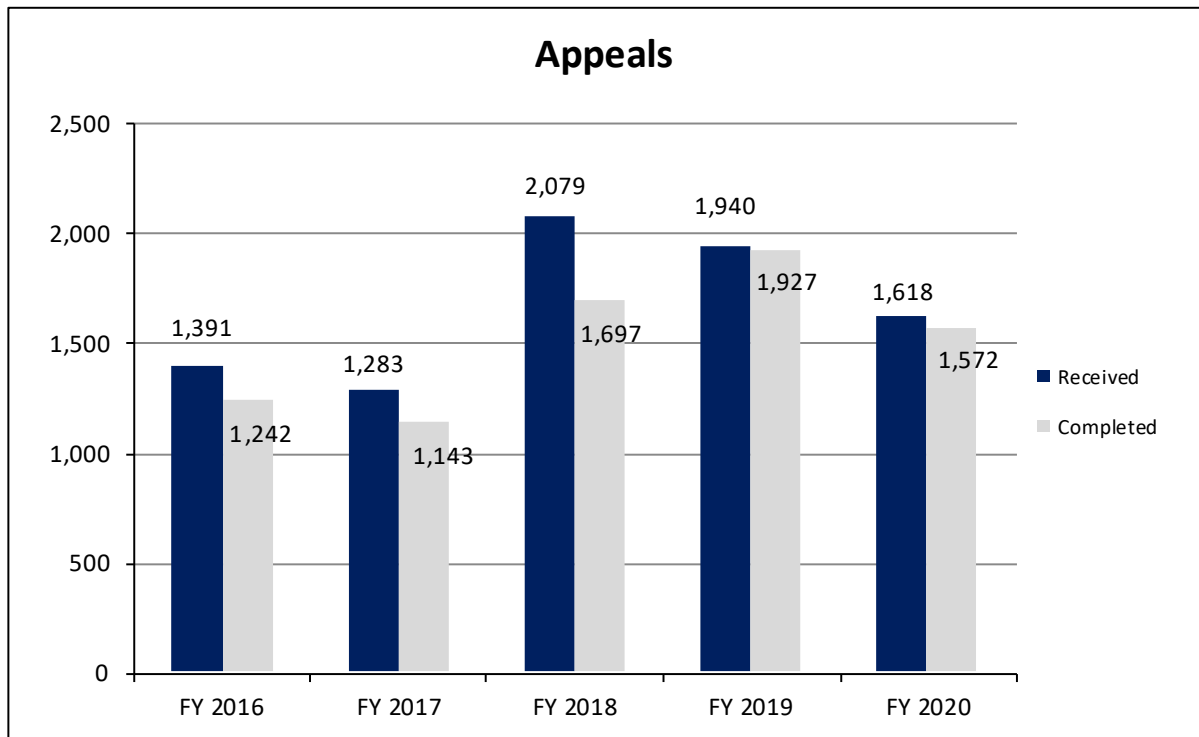
# Administrative Review

FNS performs the final administrative review of retailers aggrieved of an FNS action to deny, withdraw or disqualify their firm. There was a slight decrease in the number of administrative review requests from 1,940 in fiscal year 2019 to 1,618 in fiscal year 2020. 85 percent of cases were upheld in fiscal year 2020.

## Case Decisions

Case Decision	Total	Percent
Sustained	1,333	84.80%
Reversed	14	0.89%
Moot*	221	14.06%
Modified	4	0.25%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,572</b>	<b>100%</b>

\*Request was withdrawn or sufficient basis for the review was not provided.



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