

Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER II)

Authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021

Methodology for Calculating Allocations

Section 311(b) of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA) Act, 2021) requires the U.S. Department of Education (Department), after reserving 1 percent of the \$81.88 billion appropriated for the Education Stabilization Fund for the Outlying Areas (1/2 of 1 percent) and the Bureau of Indian Education at the Department of the Interior (1/2 of 1 percent), to reserve 67 percent of remaining funds, or \$54,311,004,000, for the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER II Fund) authorized under section 313 of the CRRSA Act.

Section 313(b) of the CRRSA Act requires the Department to allocate the ESSER II Fund based on the proportion that each State received under Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) in the most recent fiscal year. However, section 1122(c)(3) of the ESEA prohibits the Department from considering the Title I, Part A hold harmless provisions in ESEA section 1122 in calculating State or local allocations for any other program administered by the Secretary, including the ESSER II Fund. Therefore, to determine the ESSER II Fund allocations, the Department used the fiscal year 2020 State shares of Title I, Part A allocations without the application of the hold harmless provisions in ESEA section 1122.

		Minimum local educational agency (LEA) Distribution ¹	Maximum State educational agency (SEA) Reservation ¹	Maximum for SEA Administration ^{1,2}
TOTAL	54,311,004,000	48,879,903,600	5,431,100,400	271,555,020
ALABAMA	899,464,932	809,518,439	89,946,493	4,497,325
ALASKA	159,719,422	143,747,480	15,971,942	798,597
ARIZONA	1,149,715,947	1,034,744,352	114,971,595	5,748,580
ARKANSAS	558,017,409	502,215,668	55,801,741	2,790,087
CALIFORNIA	6,709,633,866	6,038,670,479	670,963,387	33,548,169
COLORADO	519,324,311	467,391,880	51,932,431	2,596,622
CONNECTICUT	492,426,458	443,183,812	49,242,646	2,462,132
DELAWARE	182,885,104	164,596,594	18,288,510	914,426
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	172,013,174	154,811,857	17,201,317	860,066
FLORIDA	3,133,878,723	2,820,490,851	313,387,872	15,669,394
GEORGIA	1,892,092,618	1,702,883,356	189,209,262	9,460,463
HAWAII	183,595,211	165,235,690	18,359,521	917,976
IDAHO	195,890,413	176,301,372	19,589,041	979,452
ILLINOIS	2,250,804,891	2,025,724,402	225,080,489	11,254,024
INDIANA	888,183,537	799,365,183	88,818,354	4,440,918
IOWA	344,864,294	310,377,865	34,486,429	1,724,321
KANSAS	369,829,794	332,846,815	36,982,979	1,849,149
KENTUCKY	928,274,720	835,447,248	92,827,472	4,641,374
LOUISIANA	1,160,119,378	1,044,107,440	116,011,938	5,800,597
MAINE	183,138,601	164,824,741	18,313,860	915,693
MARYLAND	868,771,243	781,894,119	86,877,124	4,343,856

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MASSACHUSETTS	814,890,396	733,401,356	81,489,040	4,074,452
MICHIGAN	1,656,308,286	1,490,677,457	165,630,829	8,281,541
MINNESOTA	588,036,257	529,232,631	58,803,626	2,940,181
MISSISSIPPI	724,532,847	652,079,562	72,453,285	3,622,664
MISSOURI	871,172,291	784,055,062	87,117,229	4,355,861
MONTANA	170,099,465	153,089,519	17,009,947	850,497
NEBRASKA	243,073,530	218,766,177	24,307,353	1,215,368
NEVADA	477,322,438	429,590,194	47,732,244	2,386,612
NEW HAMPSHIRE	156,065,807	140,459,226	15,606,581	780,329
NEW JERSEY	1,230,971,757	1,107,874,581	123,097,176	6,154,859
NEW MEXICO	435,938,638	392,344,774	43,593,864	2,179,693
NEW YORK	4,002,381,738	3,602,143,564	400,238,174	20,011,909
NORTH CAROLINA	1,602,590,987	1,442,331,888	160,259,099	8,012,955
NORTH DAKOTA	135,924,393	122,331,954	13,592,439	679,622
OHIO	1,991,251,095	1,792,125,986	199,125,110	9,956,255
OKLAHOMA	665,038,753	598,534,878	66,503,875	3,325,194
OREGON	499,153,891	449,238,502	49,915,389	2,495,769
PENNSYLVANIA	2,224,964,030	2,002,467,627	222,496,403	11,124,820
PUERTO RICO	1,320,626,161	1,188,563,545	132,062,616	6,603,131
RHODE ISLAND	184,791,567	166,312,410	18,479,157	923,958
SOUTH CAROLINA	940,420,782	846,378,704	94,042,078	4,702,104
SOUTH DAKOTA	170,099,465	153,089,519	17,009,947	850,497
TENNESSEE	1,107,656,022	996,890,420	110,765,602	5,538,280
TEXAS	5,529,552,209	4,976,596,988	552,955,221	27,647,761
UTAH	274,071,684	246,664,516	27,407,168	1,370,358
VERMONT	126,973,363	114,276,027	12,697,336	634,867
VIRGINIA	939,280,578	845,352,520	93,928,058	4,696,403
WASHINGTON	824,852,290	742,367,061	82,485,229	4,124,261
WEST VIRGINIA	339,032,096	305,128,886	33,903,210	1,695,160
WISCONSIN	686,056,238	617,450,614	68,605,624	3,430,281
WYOMING	135,230,900	121,707,810	13,523,090	676,155

¹ The totals in the Minimum LEA Distribution, Maximum SEA Reservation, and Maximum for SEA Administration columns have been rounded to the nearest whole dollar. The Minimum LEA Distribution and Maximum SEA Reservation amounts assume the SEA subgrants the minimum required amount of 90 percent of its ESSER II award to its LEAs.

² The SEA may reserve up to an amount equal to ½ of 1 percent of the total allocation for administrative costs, which must come from the SEA Reservation.