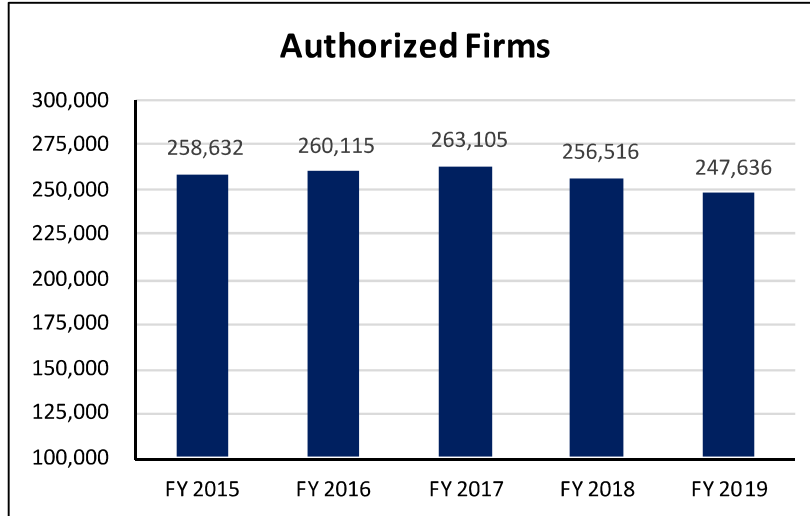


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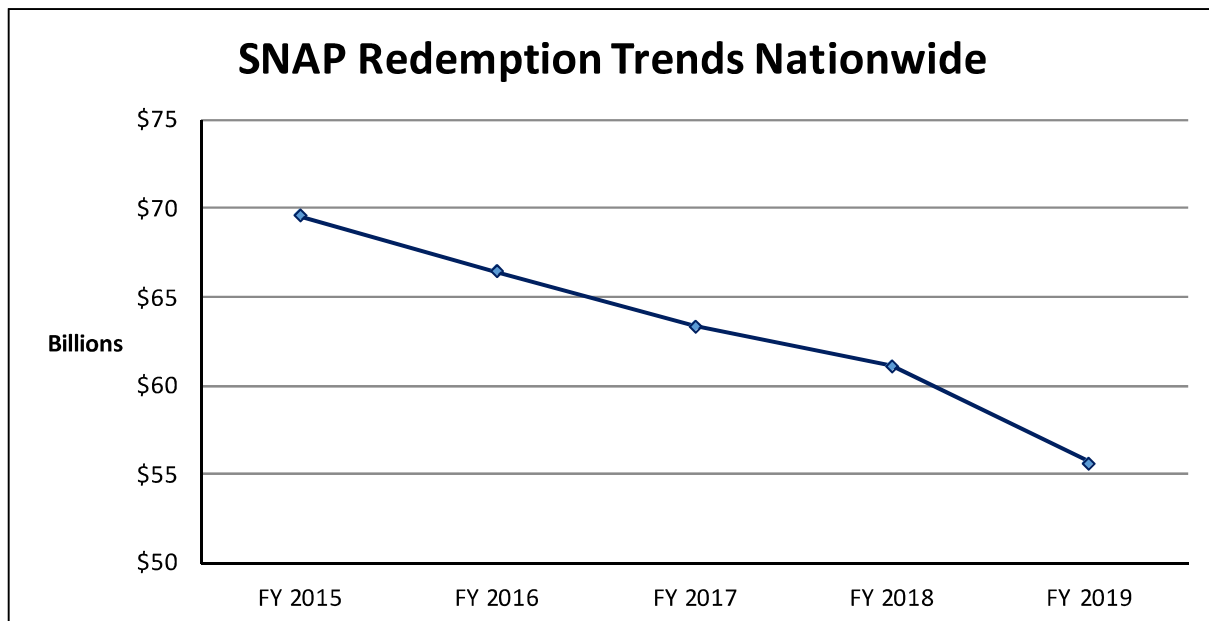
Number of SNAP Authorized Firms



- As of September 30, 2019, there were 247,636 firms authorized to participate in SNAP.
- Since 2015, the number of authorized firms has decreased by four percent.

SNAP Redemptions by Fiscal Year

Nationally SNAP redemptions have decreased each year since 2015 and were approximately \$56 billion in fiscal year 2019; this is a nine percent decrease from the year prior.



Redemptions by Firm Type

Combined, supermarkets and super stores redeem over 82 percent of all SNAP benefits while making up 15.39 percent of the total number of authorized firms.

Firm Types	Total Firms Authorized	Percent of Total	Redemption Amount	Percent of Total
Bakery Specialty	2,690	1.09%	\$103,153,404	0.19%
Combination Grocery/Other	58,947	23.80%	\$3,242,603,043	5.83%
Convenience Store	111,816	45.15%	\$3,061,250,181	5.50%
Delivery Route	648	0.26%	\$49,654,309	0.09%
Direct Marketing Farmer	1,377	0.56%	\$8,583,362	0.02%
Farmers Market	2,309	0.93%	\$14,302,910	0.03%
Fruits/Veg Specialty	774	0.31%	\$36,714,169	0.07%
Large Grocery Store	3,701	1.49%	\$994,368,790	1.79%
Meat/Poultry Specialty	2,343	0.95%	\$245,116,113	0.44%
Medium Grocery Store	8,938	3.61%	\$1,050,133,158	1.89%
Military Commissary	186	0.08%	\$40,286,189	0.07%
Non-profit Food Buying Co-op	163	0.07%	\$8,044,838	0.01%
Seafood Specialty	1,164	0.47%	\$151,460,363	0.27%
Small Grocery Store	9,605	3.88%	\$523,940,756	0.94%
Super Store	19,815	8.00%	\$29,693,935,272	53.40%
Supermarket	18,292	7.39%	\$16,172,354,053	29.08%
Total	242,768	98.03%	\$55,395,900,909	99.61%
Communal Dining Facility	212	0.09%	\$1,981,752	0.00%
Drug and/or Alcohol Treatment Program	905	0.37%	\$43,248,336	0.08%
Group Living Arrangement	551	0.22%	\$78,578,679	0.14%
Homeless Meal Provider	165	0.07%	\$4,717,741	0.01%
Meal Delivery Service	183	0.07%	\$498,318	0.00%
Private Restaurant/M meal Delivery	2,669	1.08%	\$76,309,358	0.14%
Senior Citizens Center/Residential Building	165	0.07%	\$8,914,103	0.02%
Shelter for Battered Women and Children	18	0.01%	\$1,151,529	0.00%
Total	4,868	1.97%	\$215,399,815	0.39%
Total	247,636	100%	\$55,611,300,724	100%

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
Northeast	Connecticut	2,428	\$586,247,715	0.98%	1.05%
	Maine	1,435	\$200,728,110	0.58%	0.36%
	Massachusetts	5,298	\$1,129,448,483	2.14%	2.03%
	New Hampshire	1,038	\$125,658,762	0.42%	0.23%
	New York	17,330	\$4,258,151,970	7.00%	7.66%
	Rhode Island	904	\$221,110,113	0.37%	0.40%
	Vermont	672	\$64,703,950	0.27%	0.12%
	Region Totals	29,105	\$6,586,049,103	11.75%	11.84%
Mid-Atlantic	Delaware	773	\$183,729,302	0.31%	0.33%
	District of Columbia	430	\$98,393,504	0.17%	0.18%
	Maryland	3,581	\$933,803,020	1.45%	1.68%
	New Jersey	5,819	\$1,013,199,192	2.35%	1.82%
	Pennsylvania	9,998	\$2,482,535,228	4.04%	4.46%
	Virgin Islands	99	\$45,341,348	0.04%	0.08%
	Virginia	6,221	\$1,033,907,958	2.51%	1.86%
	West Virginia	2,101	\$378,248,927	0.85%	0.68%
	Region Totals	29,022	\$6,169,158,480	11.72%	11.09%
Southeast	Alabama	4,630	\$1,030,650,887	1.87%	1.85%
	Florida	14,929	\$4,073,863,167	6.03%	7.33%
	Georgia	9,289	\$2,126,882,664	3.75%	3.82%
	Kentucky	4,382	\$766,574,562	1.77%	1.38%
	Mississippi	3,115	\$638,472,640	1.26%	1.15%
	North Carolina	8,913	\$1,894,041,966	3.60%	3.41%
	South Carolina	4,901	\$876,792,807	1.98%	1.58%
	Tennessee	6,332	\$1,278,403,928	2.56%	2.30%
	Region Totals	56,491	\$12,685,682,622	22.81%	22.81%
Southwest	Arkansas	2,568	\$474,952,350	1.04%	0.85%
	Louisiana	4,302	\$1,212,031,134	1.74%	2.18%
	New Mexico	1,554	\$609,543,495	0.63%	1.10%
	Oklahoma	3,444	\$798,037,490	1.39%	1.44%
	Texas	19,572	\$4,831,534,354	7.90%	8.69%
	Region Totals	31,440	\$7,926,098,823	12.70%	14.25%

Redemptions by Region and State (continued)

Region	State	Authorized Firms	Redemption Amount	Percent of Total Firms	Percent of Total Redemptions
Midwest	Illinois	9,077	\$2,591,888,483	3.67%	4.66%
	Indiana	5,106	\$856,461,529	2.06%	1.54%
	Michigan	9,449	\$1,700,113,050	3.82%	3.06%
	Minnesota	3,421	\$480,532,056	1.38%	0.86%
	Ohio	9,393	\$2,004,923,690	3.79%	3.61%
	Wisconsin	4,090	\$776,664,291	1.65%	1.40%
	Region Totals	40,536	\$8,410,583,099	16.37%	15.12%
Mountain Plains	Colorado	2,855	\$641,629,202	1.15%	1.15%
	Iowa	2,838	\$433,748,982	1.15%	0.78%
	Kansas	1,985	\$273,063,979	0.80%	0.49%
	Missouri	4,779	\$1,001,162,370	1.93%	1.80%
	Montana	785	\$145,551,877	0.32%	0.26%
	Nebraska	1,298	\$225,442,799	0.52%	0.41%
	North Dakota	540	\$76,006,561	0.22%	0.14%
	South Dakota	749	\$116,832,131	0.30%	0.21%
	Utah	1,442	\$232,251,499	0.58%	0.42%
	Wyoming	361	\$37,944,403	0.15%	0.07%
	Region Totals	17,632	\$3,183,633,804	7.12%	5.72%
Western	Alaska	509	\$171,806,009	0.21%	0.31%
	Arizona	4,348	\$1,144,931,536	1.76%	2.06%
	California	26,334	\$5,979,831,518	10.63%	10.75%
	Guam	235	\$100,823,811	0.09%	0.18%
	Hawaii	925	\$443,739,041	0.37%	0.80%
	Idaho	1,060	\$198,780,302	0.43%	0.36%
	Nevada	1,853	\$598,203,966	0.75%	1.08%
	Oregon	3,347	\$827,004,859	1.35%	1.49%
	Washington	4,799	\$1,184,973,752	1.94%	2.13%
	Region Totals	43,410	\$10,650,094,794	17.53%	19.15%
National Totals		247,636	\$55,611,300,724	100%	100%

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
Bakery Specialty	0	2	0	0	2
Combination Grocery/Other	25	21	15	0	61
Convenience Store	505	779	86	3	1,373
Delivery Route	1	3	0	0	4
Fruits/Veg Specialty	0	7	0	0	7
Large Grocery Store	12	5	4	0	21
Meat/Poultry Specialty	0	1	1	0	2
Medium Grocery Store	65	50	37	0	152
Seafood Specialty	1	4	0	0	5
Small Grocery Store	161	262	60	0	483
Supermarket	1	0	1	0	2
Super Store	1	0	2	0	3
Total	772	1,134	206	3	2,115

Sanctions by State

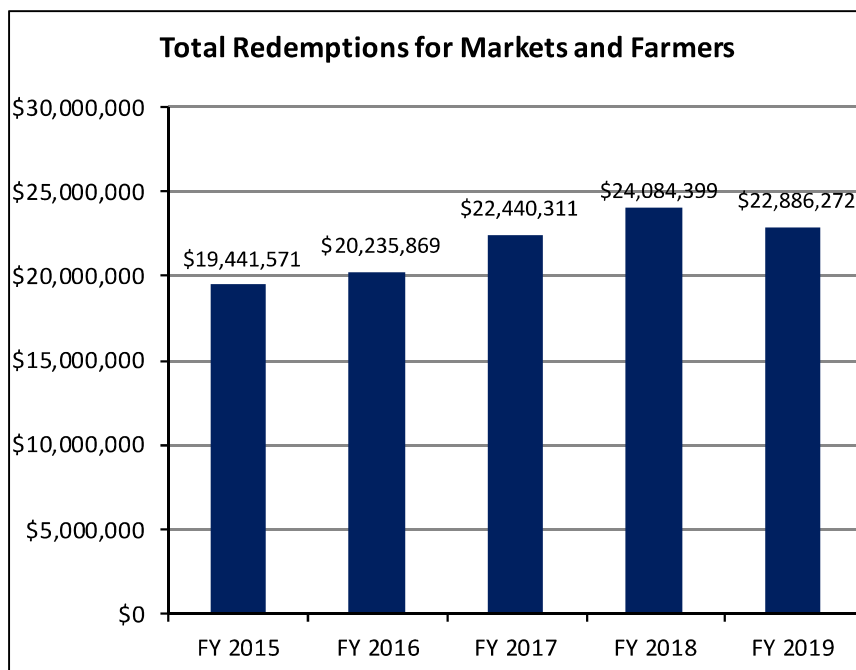
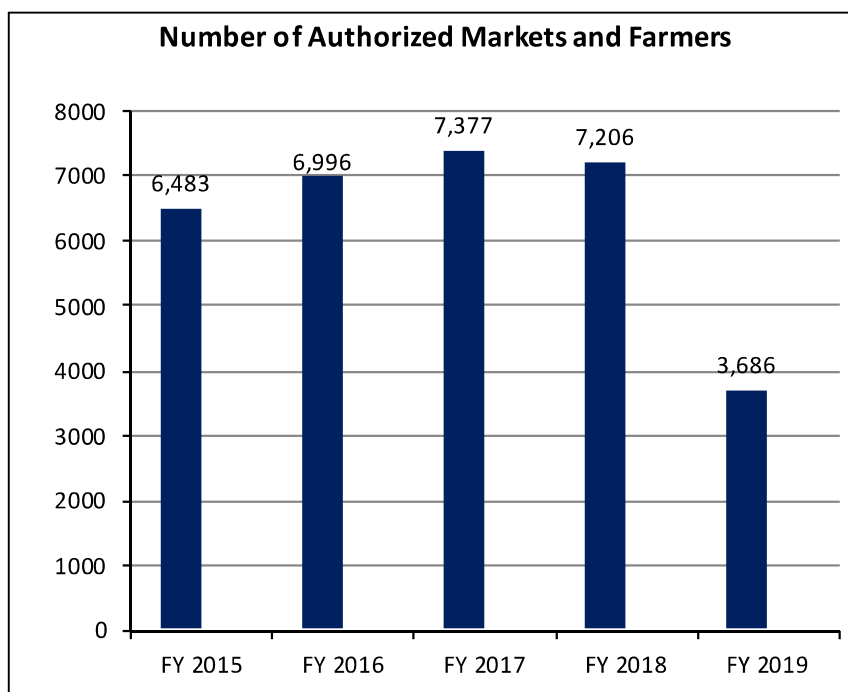
State	Time-Limited Term Disqualifica- tion	Permanent Dis- qualification	Hardship CMP in Lieu of Term Dis- qualification	Trafficking CMP in Lieu of Permanent Disqualification	Total
AK	0	0	0	0	0
AL	2	16	2	0	20
AR	1	4	0	0	5
AZ	6	11	0	0	17
CA	96	106	26	1	229
CO	6	3	3	0	12
CT	18	35	2	0	55
DC	1	2	0	0	3
DE	0	4	0	0	4
FL	68	84	14	0	166
GA	14	47	7	0	68
GU	0	2	0	0	2
HI	0	3	0	0	3
IA	0	2	0	0	2
ID	0	1	0	0	1
IL	15	67	8	0	90
IN	10	11	4	0	25
KS	2	1	1	0	4
KY	5	11	3	0	19
LA	5	17	5	0	27
MA	19	28	5	0	52
MD	2	30	2	0	34
ME	1	0	0	0	1
MI	18	23	6	2	49
MN	1	8	2	0	11
MO	8	7	2	0	17
MS	3	6	4	0	13
MT	0	0	0	0	0
NC	22	28	14	0	64
ND	0	0	0	0	0
NE	1	2	0	0	3
NH	2	0	1	0	3
NJ	32	54	2	0	88
NM	1	5	0	0	6
NV	1	6	0	0	7
NY	264	273	43	0	580
OH	5	19	5	0	29

Sanctions by State (continued)

State	Time-Limited Term Disqualifica- tion	Permanent Dis- qualification	Hardship CMP in Lieu of Term Dis- qualification	Trafficking CMP in Lieu of Permanent Disqualification	Total
OK	3	6	1	0	10
OR	0	1	0	0	1
PA	39	70	9	0	118
RI	6	9	2	0	17
SC	5	6	1	0	12
SD	0	0	0	0	0
TN	2	13	5	0	20
TX	64	71	15	0	150
UT	1	2	1	0	4
VA	6	16	3	0	25
VI	0	1	0	0	1
VT	1	0	1	0	2
WA	6	13	3	0	22
WI	10	8	3	0	21
WV	0	2	1	0	3
WY	0	0	0	0	0
Total	772	1,134	206	3	2,115

Farmers Markets and Direct Marketing Farmers

- Since 2015, the number of authorized farmers markets and direct marketing farmers decreased by 43 percent; however, their redemptions increased by 18% in the same period (non-redeeming markets/farmers were removed in FY 2019).
- Over 50 percent of all authorized markets and farmers are found in eleven States: California 423, Massachusetts 313, New York 223, Michigan 201, Washington 136, Iowa 114, Ohio 109, Oregon 106, Virginia 98, Pennsylvania 97, and North Carolina 95.



Key Facts

- Since 2015, farmers market and direct marketing farmer redemptions have increased by 18 percent.
- In fiscal year 2019, SNAP households made 1,338,168 purchases at farmers markets and direct marketing farmers nationwide. The average purchase amount was \$18.14.
- More SNAP benefits were redeemed at farmers markets and direct marketing farmers in fiscal year 2019 during August than any other month of the year.
- 342,843 SNAP households made at least one purchase at a farmers market or direct marketing farmer in fiscal year 2019.
- 48 percent of the 342,843 households that shopped at a farmers market or direct marketing farmer made one purchase; another 17 percent made two purchases; and 34 percent made three or more purchases within the year.

Operational Retailer Management Activity

Authorizations:

Initial Authorization	17,753
Reinstatement	2,077
Total Authorizations	19,830

Reauthorizations: **37,664**

Applicants Denied:

Did Not Meet SNAP Eligibility Criteria	2,828
Business Integrity Issue	85
Failed to Pay Assessed Monetary Penalty	10
Failed to Cooperate with Information Request	1
Denied for Other Reasons	5
Total Denials	2,929

Participating Firms Withdrawn :

Voluntarily Withdrew	10,503
No SNAP Transaction Activity	8,146
Did Not Respond to Reauthorization	4,418
Did Not Meet SNAP Eligibility Criteria	2,245
Failed to Cooperate with Information Request	46
Business Integrity Issue	57
Failed to Pay Assessed Monetary Penalty	1
Withdrawn for Other Reasons	48
Total Withdrawals	25,464

Total Actions **85,887**

Compliance Activity

In fiscal year 2019, FNS reviewed 25,493 firms identified as potentially violating and conducted over 8,742 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.

Sanctions	Total
Permanent Disqualifications	1,134
Time-Limited Term Disqualification	772
Trafficking Civil Money Penalty (CMP)	3
Hardship CMP	206
Total Sanction Actions	2,115
Other Compliance Actions	Total
Transfer of Ownership CMP	231
Official Warning	866
Involuntary Withdrawal (for other than non-redemption)	580
Permanent Involuntary Withdrawal	28
Unauthorized Acceptance Fine	3
Total Compliance Actions	1,708
Total Sanctions + Compliance Actions	3,823

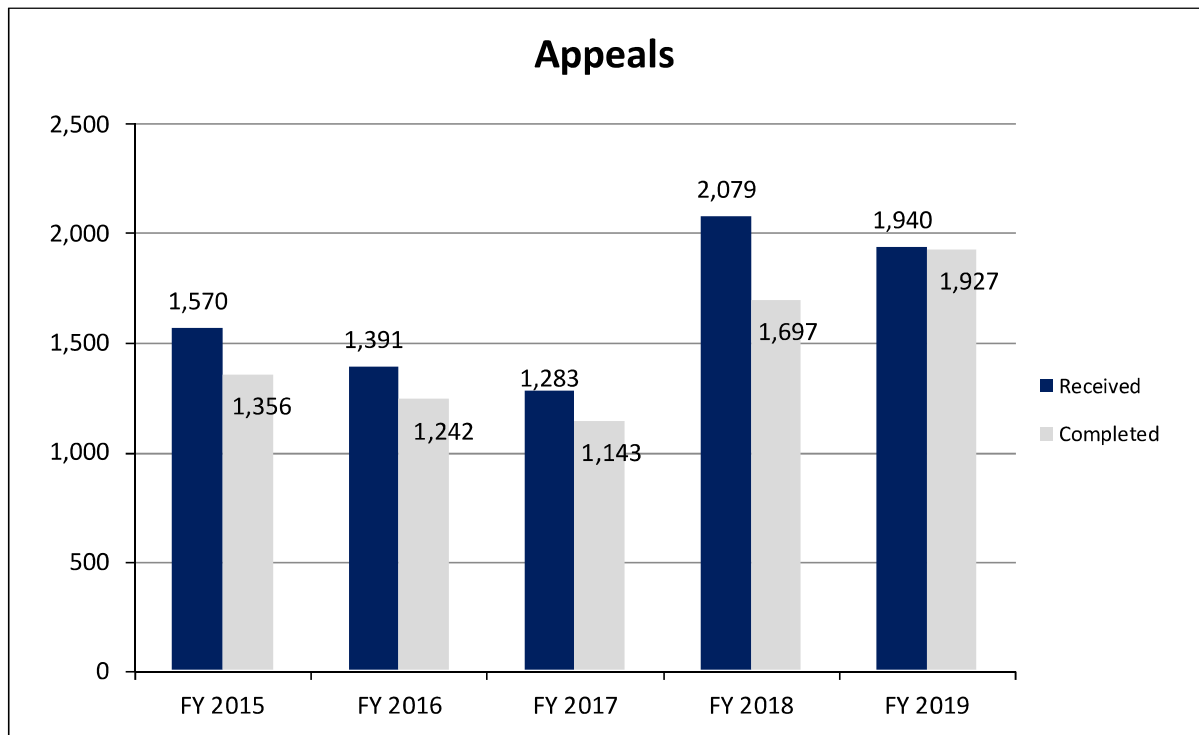
Administrative Review

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 2,079 in fiscal year 2018 to 1,940 in fiscal year 2019. Over 88 percent of cases were upheld in fiscal year 2019.

Case Decisions

Case Decision	Total	Percent
Sustained	1,710	88.74%
Reversed	19	.99%
Moot*	193	10.02%
Modified	5	0.26%
Total	1,927	100%

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



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