## MEMORANDUM

TO: Interested Parties
FROM: Deborah Kalcevic Justin Humphrey

SUBJECT: CBO March 2009 Baseline Projections for the Student Loan and Grant Programs.
Attached are eight tables that detail the costs, loan volumes, and subsidy rates for both the guaranteed and direct student loan programs for the March 2009 CBO Baseline as well as two tables that detail the major federal student grant programs. Below each table is summarized:

Table 1. Includes the cost projection for each budget account associated with the student loan programs--the numbers shown are those in the CBO computer runs for Function 500.

Table 2. Includes the loan volume and subsidy rate projections for all guaranteed and direct student loans.
Table 3. Includes the loan volume and subsidy rate projections for the guaranteed student loans.
Table 4. Includes the loan volume and subsidy rate projection for the direct student loans.
Table 5. Includes the detailed components of the federal student loan subsidy rates for fiscal year 2010.
Table 6. Includes the estimates of consolidation loan volume implicit in the estimated subsidy costs of both guaranteed and direct student loans
Table 7. Includes the Student Aid Administration expenditures.
Table 8. Includes the interest rate forecasts used in the projections of student loan costs.

Table 9. Includes the estimates of the Pell grant program.
Table 10. Includes the estimates of Pell and other grant programs.
For your information, below is a summary of the definitions of budget authority, program obligations, and outlays as they apply to the student loan program subsidy or "program" accounts:

Subsidy Budget Authority: Subsidy budget authority figures express what total subsidy costs would be if all the loans for which an application was received during a year were made. But all loans are seldom made--only about 90 percent. This is because prospective borrowers either do not show up for school or decide not to take all or part of the loan.

Subsidy Obligations: Subsidy obligations are the costs associated with all loans for which there actually will be at least one cash disbursement [shown on the attached tables as Net Annual Loan Volume]. Typically, the subsidy obligation estimates are not included on budget tables.

Subsidy Outlays: Subsidy outlays reflect the subsidy obligations adjusted for the timing of the loan dollar disbursements. Because of the multiple disbursement requirements and the timing of the academic school year calendars compared to the federal fiscal year, only about two-thirds of the dollars are disbursed to the borrowers during the first fiscal year. The remaining dollars are disbursed in the following year.

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CBO March 2009 BASELINE BUDGET ACCOUNT TOTALS: STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM BASELINE


Note: Fiscal year 2009 credit reestimates and loan modifications included in the above estimates:

| Guaranteed Loan Program | BA | $\mathbf{- 1 8 , 9 2 4}$ |
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| Program (Subsidy) Account | OP | $\mathbf{0}$ |
| 91-0231-01-502 BA03, BA04 | OL | $\mathbf{- 1 8 , 3 2 6}$ |
|  |  |  |
| Direct Loan Program | BA | $\mathbf{1 2 0}$ |
| Program (Subsidy) Account | OP | $\mathbf{0}$ |
| 91-0243-01-502 BA05,BA06 | OL | $\mathbf{1 2 0}$ |



TOTAL ALL NEW LOANS [ New Guaranteed and Direct Loans] a/
Net Annual Loan Volume (Mil \$)
Net Number of Loans (000)
Average Loan Amount

Average Loan Amount
Subsidy Rate b/c/d/

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| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 83,212 | 89,177 | 93,998 | 97,788 | 101,305 | 104,673 | 107,772 | 110,756 | 113,574 | 116,701 | 119,930 |
| 15,982 | 16,681 | 17,169 | 17,606 | 18,021 | 18,406 | 18,743 | 19,065 | 19,373 | 19,739 | 20,115 |
| $\$ 5,207$ | $\$ 5,346$ | $\$ 5,475$ | $\$ 5,554$ | $\$ 5,622$ | $\$ 5,687$ | $\$ 5,750$ | $\$ 5,809$ | $\$ 5,863$ | $\$ 5,912$ | $\$ 5,962$ |
| $-18.16 \%$ | $-7.02 \%$ | $0.21 \%$ | $1.78 \%$ | $2.21 \%$ | $3.27 \%$ | $3.80 \%$ | $3.99 \%$ | $4.15 \%$ | $4.04 \%$ | $3.85 \%$ |
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## UNSUBSIDIZED STUDENT LOANS [ New Guaranteed and Direct Loans ]

Net Annual Loan Volume (Mil \$)
Net Number of Loans (000)
Average Loan Amount
Subsidy Rate b/c/d/

| 38,070 | 41,013 | 43,607 | 45,265 | 46,742 | 48,064 | 49,143 | 50,038 | 50,690 | 51,401 | 52,123 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 6,441 | 6,677 | 6,847 | 7,012 | 7,188 | 7,340 | 7,462 | 7,569 | 7,654 | 7,761 | 7,870 |
| $\$ 5,911$ | $\$ 6,142$ | $\$ 6,369$ | $\$ 6,455$ | $\$ 6,503$ | $\$ 6,548$ | $\$ 6,586$ | $\$ 6,611$ | $\$ 6,623$ | $\$ 6,623$ | $\$ 6,623$ |
| $-25.77 \%$ | $-14.67 \%$ | $-8.05 \%$ | $-3.92 \%$ | $-1.25 \%$ | $0.12 \%$ | $0.91 \%$ | $1.33 \%$ | $1.71 \%$ | $1.81 \%$ | $1.81 \%$ |

GRADPLUS STUDENT LOANS [ New Guaranteed and Direct Loans ]

| Net Annual Loan Volume (Mil \$) | 4,527 | 5,182 | 5,712 | 6,335 | 7,034 | 7,754 | 8,526 | 9,351 | 10,209 | 11,119 | 12,072 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net Number of Loans (000) | 317 | 353 | 387 | 427 | 470 | 515 | 563 | 614 | 667 | 724 | 784 |
| Average Loan Amount | \$14,279 | \$14,661 | \$14,749 | \$14,846 | \$14,964 | \$15,047 | \$15,132 | \$15,230 | \$15,304 | \$15,366 | \$15,399 |
| Subsidy Rate b/c/d/ | -48.68\% | -32.59\% | -24.21\% | -19.70\% | -16.70\% | -15.19\% | -14.32\% | -13.86\% | -13.45\% | -13.36\% | -13.38\% |
| NT LOANS [ New Guaranteed and Direct Loans ] |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net Annual Loan Volume (Mil \$) | 7,452 | 7,778 | 8,112 | 8,462 | 8,837 | 9,219 | 9,595 | 9,983 | 10,390 | 10,839 | 11,308 |
| Net Number of Loans (000) | 707 | 716 | 725 | 734 | 745 | 754 | 762 | 770 | 778 | 788 | 798 |
| Average Loan Amount | \$10,545 | \$10,861 | \$11,187 | \$11,523 | \$11,868 | \$12,224 | \$12,591 | \$12,969 | \$13,358 | \$13,758 | \$14,171 |
| Subsidy Rate b/c/d/ | -43.84\% | -34.94\% | -28.82\% | -25.82\% | -23.40\% | -21.94\% | -21.12\% | -20.70\% | -20.32\% | -20.23\% | -20.24\% |

[^0]TOTAL ALL NEW LOANS [ New Guaranteed Loans Only ] a/
Net Annual Loan Volume (Mil \$)
Net Number of Loans (000)


Net Number of Loans (000)
Average Loan Amount
62,099 64,61
Subsidy Rate b/ c/ d/ $\quad-16.14 \% \quad-2.38 \%$

## SUBSIDIZED STUDENT LOANS [ New Guaranteed Loans Only ]

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| Net Annual Loan Volume (Mil \$) | 24,541 | 25,347 | 25,597 | 26,409 | 27,084 | 27,745 | 28,356 | 28,969 | 29,599 | 30,339 | 31,099 |
| Net Number of Loans (000) | 5,962 | 6,254 | 6,446 | 6,603 | 6,733 | 6,858 | 6,969 | 7,079 | 7,192 | 7,327 | 7,464 |
| Average Loan Amount | $\$ 4,116$ | $\$ 4,053$ | $\$ 3,971$ | $\$ 3,999$ | $\$ 4,023$ | $\$ 4,046$ | $\$ 4,069$ | $\$ 4,092$ | $\$ 4,116$ | $\$ 4,141$ | $\$ 4,167$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subsidy Rate b/ c/ d/ | $0.28 \%$ | $15.28 \%$ | $24.94 \%$ | $23.26 \%$ | $19.70 \%$ | $20.40 \%$ | $20.78 \%$ | $20.98 \%$ | $21.12 \%$ | $21.16 \%$ | $21.16 \%$ |

## UNSUBSIDIZED STUDENT LOANS [ New Guaranteed Loans Only ]

| Net Annual Loan Volume (Mil \$) | 28,584 | 30,008 | 31,070 | 32,251 | 33,304 | 34,245 | 35,015 | 35,652 | 36,117 | 36,624 | 37,138 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net Number of Loans (000) | 4,589 | 4,757 | 4,878 | 4,996 | 5,121 | 5,230 | 5,317 | 5,393 | 5,453 | 5,530 | 5,607 |
| Average Loan Amount | \$6,229 | \$6,308 | \$6,369 | \$6,455 | \$6,503 | \$6,548 | \$6,586 | \$6,611 | \$6,623 | \$6,623 | \$6,623 |
| Subsidy Rate b/c/d/ | -23.48\% | -9.67\% | -2.30\% | 1.17\% | 3.19\% | 4.15\% | 4.66\% | 4.92\% | 5.11\% | 5.16\% | 5.16\% |
| LUS STUDENT LOANS [ New Guaranteed Loans Only ] |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net Annual Loan Volume (Mil \$) | 3,671 | 4,102 | 4,413 | 4,862 | 5,399 | 5,951 | 6,543 | 7,177 | 7,836 | 8,534 | 9,265 |
| Net Number of Loans (000) | 243 | 271 | 297 | 327 | 361 | 396 | 432 | 471 | 512 | 555 | 602 |
| Average Loan Amount | \$15,085 | \$15,123 | \$14,845 | \$14,846 | \$14,964 | \$15,047 | \$15,132 | \$15,230 | \$15,304 | \$15,366 | \$15,399 |
| Subsidy Rate b/c/d/ | -48.89\% | -29.78\% | -20.55\% | -16.50\% | -14.03\% | -12.86\% | -12.23\% | -11.91\% | -11.66\% | -11.61\% | -11.63\% |
| T LOANS [ New Guaranteed Loans Only ] |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net Annual Loan Volume (Mil \$) | 5,303 | 5,159 | 5,192 | 5,416 | 5,656 | 5,900 | 6,141 | 6,389 | 6,650 | 6,937 | 7,237 |
| Net Number of Loans (000) | 452 | 458 | 464 | 470 | 477 | 483 | 488 | 493 | 498 | 504 | 511 |
| Average Loan Amount | \$11,726 | \$11,257 | \$11,187 | \$11,523 | \$11,868 | \$12,224 | \$12,591 | \$12,969 | \$13,358 | \$13,758 | \$14,171 |
| Subsidy Rate b/c/d/ | -43.05\% | -31.38\% | -24.66\% | -23.17\% | -21.79\% | -20.83\% | -20.39\% | -20.18\% | -20.05\% | -20.02\% | -20.05\% |

a. Totals exclude consolidation loans. Components may not sum to totals due to rounding.
b. The subsidy rate is the net present value of the future federal cash flows associated with the loan dollars disbursed to borrowers each year. For example, the 2010 federal cost associated with the $\$ 64,616$ million in new loan volume would be $-\$ 1,536$ million or $-2.38 \%$ of the new loan volume $[\$ 64,616 *-.0238=-\$ 1,536]$. In other words, the federal government will save on average about 2 cents for each new dollar loaned in 2010 .
c. Subsidy rates for guaranteed loans do NOT include federal administrative costs associated with disbursing and collecting loans. The administrative costs are included in the budget on a cash basis.
d. The subsidy rates were calculated using the CBO March 2009 interest rate forecast.

| (by fiscal year) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |

TOTAL ALL NEW LOANS [ New Direct Loans Only ] a/

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Net Annual Loan Volume (Mil $)
Net Number of Loans (000)
Average Loan Amount
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Subsidy Rate b/c/d/
SUBSIDIZED STUDENT LOANS [ New Direct Loans Only ]

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Net Annual Loan Volume (Mil $)
Net Number of Loans (000)
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Average Loan Amount
Subsidy Rate b/c/d/
UNSUBSIDIZED STUDENT LOANS [ New Direct Loans Only ]
Net Annual Loan Volume (Mil \$)
Net Number of Loans (000)
Average Loan Amount
Subsidy Rate b/c/d/

| 9,486 | 11,005 | 12,537 | 13,014 | 13,438 | 13,818 | 14,129 | 14,386 | 14,573 | 14,778 | 14,985 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1,852 | 1,920 | 1,968 | 2,016 | 2,066 | 2,110 | 2,145 | 2,176 | 2,200 | 2,231 | 2,263 |
| $\$ 5,123$ | $\$ 5,733$ | $\$ 6,369$ | $\$ 6,455$ | $\$ 6,503$ | $\$ 6,548$ | $\$ 6,586$ | $\$ 6,611$ | $\$ 6,623$ | $\$ 6,623$ | $\$ 6,623$ |


| $-32.67 \%$ | $-28.30 \%$ | $-22.29 \%$ | $-16.53 \%$ | $-12.25 \%$ | $-9.89 \%$ | $-8.39 \%$ | $-7.56 \%$ | $-6.72 \%$ | $-6.51 \%$ | $-6.50 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

GRADPLUS STUDENT LOANS [ New Direct Loans Only ]

| Net Annual Loan Volume (Mil \$) | 856 | 1,080 | 1,300 | 1,473 | 1,635 | 1,803 | 1,982 | 2,174 | 2,374 | 2,585 | 2,807 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net Number of Loans (000) | 74 | 82 | 90 | 99 | 109 | 120 | 131 | 143 | 155 | 168 | 182 |
| Average Loan Amount | \$11,617 | \$13,137 | \$14,432 | \$14,846 | \$14,964 | \$15,047 | \$15,132 | \$15,230 | \$15,304 | \$15,366 | \$15,399 |
| Subsidy Rate b/c/d/ | -47.82\% | -43.27\% | -36.67\% | -30.25\% | -25.49\% | -22.87\% | -21.21\% | -20.30\% | -19.37\% | -19.15\% | -19.15\% |
| NT LOANS [ New Direct Loans Only ] |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net Annual Loan Volume (Mil \$) | 2,149 | 2,619 | 2,920 | 3,046 | 3,181 | 3,319 | 3,454 | 3,594 | 3,740 | 3,902 | 4,071 |
| Net Number of Loans (000) | 254 | 258 | 261 | 264 | 268 | 272 | 274 | 277 | 280 | 284 | 287 |
| Average Loan Amount | \$8,446 | \$10,157 | \$11,187 | \$11,523 | \$11,868 | \$12,224 | \$12,591 | \$12,969 | \$13,358 | \$13,758 | \$14,171 |
| Subsidy Rate b/c/d/ | -45.80\% | -41.96\% | -36.21\% | -30.52\% | -26.27\% | -23.90\% | -22.42\% | -21.62\% | -20.80\% | -20.59\% | -20.59\% |

a. Totals exclude consolidation loans. Components may not sum to totals due to rounding.
b. The subsidy rate is the net present value of the future federal cash flows associated with the loan dollars disbursed to borrowers each year. For example, the 2010 federal cost associated with the $\$ 24,560$ million in new loan volume would t
$\$ 4,720$ million or $-19.22 \%$ of the new loan volume [ $\$ 24,560 *-.1922=-\$ 4,720$ ]. In other words, the federal government will save on average about 19 cents for each new doliar loaned in 2010 .
c. Subsidy rates for direct loans do NOT include federal administrative costs associated with disbursing and collecting loans. They are included in the budget on a cash basis.
d. The subsidy rates were calculated using the CBO March 2009 interest rate forecast.

Detail of the Fiscal Year Values for the 2010 Federal Subsidy Rates 1/
[Note: the Federal Subsidy Rates are Shown in Percent for Each Dollar Loaned]

| Guaranteed Subsidized Loans: | Direct Subsidized Loans: |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fees | -1.21\% | Fees | -0.50\% |
| In-School Interest Costs | 13.51\% | Disbursement | 99.53\% |
| 1./ Special Allowance Payments | 0.95\% | Principal Repaid | -71.24\% |
| Net Federal Claim Payments | 1.09\% | Interest Paid | -28.53\% |
| Other | 0.94\% | Other | 0.34\% |
| Total Subsidy Rate | 15.28\% | Total Subsidy Rate | -0.40\% |
| Guaranteed Unsubsidized Loans: |  | sidized Loans: |  |
| Fees | -1.21\% | Fees | -0.50\% |
| In-School Interest Costs | 0.22\% | Disbursement | 99.54\% |
| 1./ Special Allowance Payments | -7.03\% | Principal Repaid | -82.32\% |
| Net Federal Claim Payments | 1.65\% | Interest Paid | -45.26\% |
| Other | -3.29\% | Other | 0.23\% |
| Total Subsidy Rate | $-9.67 \%$ | Total Subsidy Rate | -28.30\% |
| Guaranteed GradPLUS Loans: |  | LUS Loans: |  |
| Fees | -4.00\% | Fees | -2.49\% |
| In-School Interest Costs | 0.32\% | Disbursement | 99.50\% |
| 1./ Special Allowance Payments | -17.56\% | Principal Repaid | -82.53\% |
| Net Federal Claim Payments | 1.42\% | Interest Paid | -57.75\% |
| Other | -9.96\% | Other | 0.00\% |
| Total Subsidy Rate | -29.78\% | Total Subsidy Rate | $-43.27 \%$ |
| Guaranteed Parent Loans: |  | Loans: |  |
| Fees | -3.36\% | Fees | -2.49\% |
| In-School Interest Costs | 0.00\% | Disbursement | 99.49\% |
| 1./ Special Allowance Payments | -20.08\% | Principal Repaid | -77.97\% |
| Net Federal Claim Payments | 1.23\% | Interest Paid | -60.68\% |
| Other | -9.17\% | Other | -0.31\% |
| Total Subsidy Rate | -31.38\% | Total Subsidy Rate | -41.96\% |

1./ Due to changes in the economic forecast, subsidy rates are substantially different for years later than 2010.
2./ The loan consolidation fee is included with the special allowance payments because it offsets interest paid to lenders. For Parent and GradPLUS loans that are consolidated, that fee more than offsets the special allowance payments. Rebates to the government when borrower interest rates exceed the lender rates are also included.

## CBO March 2009--ANNUAL NEW CONSOLIDATION LOAN VOLUME IMPLICIT IN THE BASELINE FORECAST * a/

|  | (by fiscal year, in millions of dollars) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | eliminary 2008 |
| Guaranteed Loan Consolidation Volume | 3,353 | 4,918 | 6,589 | 9,412 | 22,907 | 35,223 | 36,082 | 54,589 | 72,541 | 47,268 | 9,270 |
| Direct Loan Consolidation Volume | 2,428 | 7,973 | 5,418 | 7,773 | 8,902 | 6,680 | 7,713 | 15,765 | 19,385 | 3,508 | 5,840 |
| Total Consolidation Volume | 5,781 | 12,891 | 12,007 | 17,184 | 31,809 | 41,903 | 43,795 | 70,355 | 91,927 | 50,776 | 15,110 |
|  | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| Guaranteed Loan Consolidation Volume | 1,421 | 1,550 | 1,681 | 1,792 | 1,888 | 1,976 | 2,058 | 2,135 | 2,207 | 2,275 | 2,343 |
| Direct Loan Consolidation Volume | 14,590 | 16,093 | 17,861 | 19,453 | 20,818 | 21,981 | 22,998 | 23,911 | 24,746 | 25,527 | 26,281 |
| Total Consolidation Volume | 16,012 | 17,643 | 19,541 | 21,245 | 22,706 | 23,957 | 25,056 | 26,046 | 26,953 | 27,803 | 28,624 |

*. Note: CBO considers loan consolidation under Section 502(5)(C) of the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990 to be a repayment choice of borrowers when calculating the loan program subsidies rather than a newly disbursed loan at the time of the consolidation. Thus, the above volume for new annual consolidations are those implicit in our forecast of borrower repayment choices for our baseline subsidy estimates of the original loans. The Department of Education treats consolidation loans as new loans for its subsidy calculation.
a. Components may not sum to totals due to rounding.

STUDENT AID ADMINISTRATION--March 2009 Baseline


NOTE: Components may not sum to totals due to rounding.

CBO March 2009 Baseline Forecast

HISTORICAL INTEREST RATES BY FISCAL YEAR
Rer 91-
1981 15.25\%
BER 3-Month Commercial Paper Rate: a/b/
$1983 \quad 8.69 \%$
1984 9.89\%
1985 8.16\%
1986 6.63\%
1987 5.81\%
1988 6.39\%
1989 8.42\%
1990 7.92\%
1991 6.17\%
1992 3.89\%
1993 3.07\%
1994 3.78\%
1995 5.65\%
1996 5.21\%
1997 5.17\%
1998 5.12\%
1999 4.55\%
2000 5.73\%
2001 4.53\%
2002 1.78\%
2003 1.13\%
2004 1.12\%
2005 2.69\%
4.57\%

2007 4.86\%
2008 2.18\%
ROJECTIONS OF INTEREST RATES BY FISCAL YEAR
BER 91-Day Treasury Bill Rate: a/b/
2010 0.76\%
2011 1.60\%
2012 2.71\%
2013 3.79\%
2014 4.49\%
iscount Rate--10-Year Zero Coupon Bond $c$ d
2014
a. Because the costs of the student loan programs are estimated on a net present value basis, the interest rate forecast for the outyears is the rate which has the most impact on the federal cost of loans disbursed over the forecast period.
. BER stands for bond equivalency rate.
c. The cash flows of the student loan programs are discounted using a matrix of different zero coupon bonds. The rate shown here is the forecast for a 10-year zero coupon bond for fiscal year 2014. It is shown here for illustrative purposes.

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FEDERAL PELL GRANT PROGRAM, March 2009 Baseline
(by fiscal year, budget authority, obligation level, and outlays in millions)


2018
2019

## PELL GRANT PROGRAM, DISCRETIONARY PORTION ONLY

ESTIMATED PROGRAM COSTS USING A \$4,360 MAXIMUM AWARD LEVEL

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Obligation Level a/ | 22,069 | 23,548 | 24,173 | 24,184 | 25,154 | 25,459 | 25,867 | 26,229 | 26,574 | 27,047 |
| Outlays | 22,545 | 22,476 | 23,702 | 24,170 | 24,446 | 25,227 | 25,566 | 25,961 | 26,319 | 26,698 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Participants | $7,690,000$ | $8,110,000$ | $8,200,000$ | $8,270,000$ | $8,570,000$ | $8,750,000$ | $8,940,000$ | $9,110,000$ | $9,280,000$ | $9,470,000$ |
| Average award | $\$ 2,870$ | $\$ 2,900$ | $\$ 2,950$ | $\$ 2,920$ | $\$ 2,930$ | $\$ 2,910$ | $\$ 2,890$ | $\$ 2,880$ | $\$ 2,860$ | $\$ 2,860$ |

## ESTIMATED PROGRAM COSTS USING A \$4,860 MAXIMUM AWARD LEVEL

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| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Obligation Level a/ | 25,037 | 26,683 | 27,342 | 27,387 | 27,958 | 28,855 | 29,341 | 29,771 | 30,186 | 30,738 |
| Outlays | 23,347 | 25,459 | 26,844 | 27,348 | 27,541 | 28,195 | 28,978 | 29,452 | 29,879 | 30,331 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Participants | $7,750,000$ | $8,180,000$ | $8,260,000$ | $8,360,000$ | $8,600,000$ | $8,850,000$ | $9,060,000$ | $9,230,000$ | $9,430,000$ | $9,640,000$ |
| Average award | $\$ 3,230$ | $\$ 3,260$ | $\$ 3,310$ | $\$ 3,280$ | $\$ 3,250$ | $\$ 3,260$ | $\$ 3,240$ | $\$ 3,220$ | $\$ 3,200$ | $\$ 3,190$ |

## ESTIMATED CUMULATIVE SURPLUS

|  | (by fiscal year, in millions) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2006 |  |  |  |  | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| Budget Authority | 13,045 | 13,661 | 14,215 | 32,928 |  |  |  |  |
| b/ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Estimated Obligation Level | $\underline{12,828}$ | $\underline{14,685}$ | $\underline{15,979}$ | $\underline{22,815}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Cumulative Surplus/Shortfall | 217 | -807 | $-2,571$ | 7,542 |  |  |  |  |

a. Obligation levels are not adjusted to reflect the lower budget authority needed due to the cumulative funding surplus.
b. Budget authority for fiscal year 2009 includes appropriations from both the Fiscal Year 2009 Omnibus Appropriations Act and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 .
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FEDERAL PELL GRANT, SMART GRANT, AND ACADEMIC COMPETITIVENESS GRANT PROGRAM, March 2009 Baseline
$\qquad$ (by fiscal year, budget authority, obligation level, and outlays in millions)


PELL GRANT PROGRAM, DISCRETIONARY PORTION ONLY

CBO MARCH BASELINE a/

| Regular Appropriation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Obligation Level b/ | 20,105 | 20,286 | 20,407 | 20,527 | 20,628 | 20,809 | 21,070 | 21,392 | 21,734 | 22,055 | 22,417 |
| Budget Authority | 17,288 | 17,444 | 17,547 | 17,651 | 17,737 | 17,893 | 18,118 | 18,394 | 18,688 | 18,965 | 19,276 |
| Outlays | 16,919 | 10,111 | 25,774 | 20,513 | 20,553 | 20,676 | 20,877 | 21,154 | 21,481 | 21,817 | 22,150 |
| With Stimulus |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Obligation Level b/ | 22,815 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Budget Authority | 15,640 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Outlays | 893 | 13,989 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Budget Authority | 32,928 | 17,444 | 17,547 | 17,651 | 17,737 | 17,893 | 18,118 | 18,394 | 18,688 | 18,965 | 19,276 |
| Outlays | 17,812 | 24,100 | 25,774 | 20,513 | 20,553 | 20,676 | 20,877 | 21,154 | 21,481 | 21,817 | 22,150 |
| Participants | 7,110,000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Average award | \$3,210 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |



## SMART GRANT AND ACADEMIC COMPETITIVENESS GRANT PROGRAM

## CBO MARCH BASELINE



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[^0]:    a. Totals exclude consolidation loans. Components may not sum to totals due to rounding.
    b. The subsidy rate is the net present value of the future federal cash flows associated with the loan dollars disbursed to borrowers each year. For example, the 2010 federal cost associated with the $\$ 89,177$ million in new loan volume would t
    $\$ 6,256$ million or $-7.02 \%$ of the new loan volume [ $\$ 89,177 *-.0702=-\$ 6,256]$. In other words, the federal government will save on average about 7 cents for each new dollar loaned in 2010.
    c. Subsidy rates for guaranteed loans do NOT include federal administrative costs associated with disbursing and collecting loans. The administrative costs are included in the budget on a cash basis.
    d. Subsidy rates were calculated using the CBO March 2009 interest rate forecast.

[^1]:    a. Under the CBO March baseline, the obligated level is calculated by inflating the fiscal year 2009 obligation level (which are actual program costs) and budget authority is calculated by inflating the budget authority appropriated for fiscal year 2009. Outlays are based on the obligation level rather than on budget authority.
    b. Obligation levels are not adjusted to reflect the lower budget authority needed due to the cumulative funding surplus.

