

Changes to Financial Reporting Fields in NIFA Reporting System

While the incorporation of the Financial Module in NIFA Reporting System (NRS) will be new for FY 2023, the financial information being requested is very similar to prior years. The financial report data fields in NRS have been reorganized by splitting some fields and condensing others. Additionally, student Full Time Equivalents (FTE) are incorporated as separate fields from other FTEs in the financial report.

The information below is provided as a crosswalk between previous financial reporting and its modified implementation in NRS for capacity projects and programs. For more details about the financial reporting fields, please refer to the 12/14/2023 email with the FY 2023 Preliminary Financial Report Guidance from nrs@usda.gov.

Reporting on Funding

NRS Financial Reporting Field – Expenditures	Comparison to Previous Financial Reporting
Column E – Research Capacity Fund (Evans-Allen)	Previously reported in Field 205: Other Funds. NRS financial reporting split that field into individual capacity funding sources.
Column F – Research Capacity Fund (Hatch)	Previously reported in Field 201: Hatch.
Column G – Research Capacity Fund (Hatch Multistate)	Previously reported in Field 202: Regional Research. NRS financial reporting separates Hatch Regular and Hatch Multistate expenditures, so any Hatch Regular funds used on Hatch Multistate projects should be reported in Column F – Research Capacity Fund (Hatch).
Column H – Extension Capacity Fund (1890)	Previously reported in Field 205: Other Funds. NRS financial reporting split that field into individual capacity funding sources.
Column I – Extension Capacity Fund (Smith-Lever 3(b) and 3(c))	Previously reported in Field 205: Other Funds. NRS financial reporting split that field into individual capacity funding sources.

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Column J – Smith-Lever Special Needs (SLSN)	Previously reported in Field 205: Other Funds. NRS financial reporting split that field into individual capacity funding sources.
Column K – Animal Health & Disease Research (AHDR)	Previously reported in Field 205: Other Funds. NRS financial reporting split that field into individual capacity funding sources.
Column L – McIntire-Stennis	Previously reported in Field 203: McIntire-Stennis.
Column M – Renewable Resources Extension Act (RREA)	Reporting on RREA programs is new in NRS. RREA programs will complete the same financial reporting as all other capacity funding types.
Column N – Other Federal Funding (Non-NIFA)	Previously reported in Field 219: USDA Contracts/Grants/Cooperative Agreements; Field 209 NSF; Field 310 DOE; Field 308 AID; Field 311 DOD; Field 316 NIH; Field 312 Public Health; Field 313 HHS; Field 314 NASA; Field 315 TVA; Field 318 Other Fed; and Field 318: NIFA Pass-Through Funds. NRS financial reporting combines those non-NIFA administered federal fields into one.
Column O – Non-Federal State Funding	Previously reported in Field 220: State.
Column P – Non-Federal Other Funding	Previously reported in Field 221: Self-Generating; Field 222: Industry Grant; and Field 223: Other Non-Fed. NRS financial reporting combines those three fields into one.

Note: The only source of NIFA funding reported for a project or program should match the funding type of the project or program in NRS except for:

- Extension Capacity Fund (Smith-Lever 3(b) and 3(c)) – may also report Smith-Lever Special Needs funds, if applicable.
- Research Capacity Fund (Hatch Multistate) – may also report Research Capacity Fund (Hatch), if applicable.

Reporting on Full Time Equivalents

NRS Financial Reporting Field - Full Time Equivalents	Comparison to Previous Financial Reporting
Column Q – FTE Faculty Count	Previously reported in Field 241: Scientist. NRS financial reporting changed the name to include both research and extension workers.
Column R – FTE Research and Extension Staff Count	Previously reported in Field 242: Professional and Field 243: Technical. NRS financial reporting combines those two fields into one.
Column S – Other FTE Count	Previously reported in Field 244: Administrative and Other.
Column T – Undergraduate Student Count	Previously reported in REEport in the Participants section of annual Progress Reports. These are undergraduate students providing project support. This does not include students receiving support from the project, such as scholarship stipend assistance.
Column U – Graduate Student Count	Previously reported in REEport in the Participants section of annual Progress Reports. These are graduate students providing project support. This does not include students receiving support from the project, such as scholarship stipend assistance.
Column V – Postdoctoral Scholar Count	Previously reported in REEport in the Participants section of annual Progress Reports. These are postdoctoral scholars providing project support. This does not include scholars receiving support from the project, such as scholarship stipend assistance.