

ADVANCE APPROPRIATIONS

An advance appropriation is one made to become available one year or more beyond the year for which the appropriations act is passed. Advance appropriations in 2011 appropriations acts will become available for programs in 2012 or beyond. Since these appropriations are not available until after 2011, the amounts will not be included in the 2011 totals, but will be reflected in the totals for the year for which they are requested.

The Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (31 U.S.C. 1105(a)(17)) requires inclusion in the budget of "information on estimates of appropriations for the fiscal year following the fiscal year for which the budget is submitted for grants, contracts, and other payments under each program for which there is an authorization of appropriations for that following fiscal year when the appropriations are authorized to be included in an appropriation law for the fiscal year before the fiscal year in which the appropriation is to be available for obligation." In fulfillment of this requirement, the accompanying table lists those accounts that have either received discretionary or mandatory advance appropriations since 2009 or will request, in 2011, advance appropriations for 2012 and beyond and cites the applicable authorizing statute.

Advance Appropriations by Agency in the 2011 Budget

(Budget authority in millions of dollars)

Agency/Program	Enacted Levels			2012 Request
	2009	2010	2011	
Discretionary One-year Advances:				
Department of Education (20 U.S.C. 1223):¹				
Education for the Disadvantaged	7,935	10,841	10,841	11,681
Special Education	6,856	8,592	8,592	9,433
Career, Technical, and Adult Education	791	791	791	791
School Improvement Programs	1,435	1,681	1,681	.....
Department of Health and Human Services:				
Children and Families Services Programs (42 U.S.C. 9834)	1,389	.....	.....	.....

Department of Homeland Security:				
Biodefense Countermeasures (P.L. 108-90)	2,175	.....	.....	.....
Department of Housing and Urban Development (42 U.S.C. 1437 et seq.):				
Tenant-Based Rental Assistance	4,158	4,000	4,000	4,000
2009 Enacted Cancellation (P.L. 111-8)	-750	.....	.....	.....
Project-Based Rental Assistance .....	.....	400	394	400
Department of Labor:				
Training and Employment Services (29 U.S.C. 2801 et seq.)	1,772	1,772	1,772	1,772
Office of Job Corps (29 U.S.C. 2881 et seq.)	691	691	691	691
Department of Veterans Affairs (P.L. 111-81):				
Medical Services .....	.....	.....	37,136	39,650
Medical Support and Compliance .....	.....	.....	5,307	5,535
Medical Facilities .....	.....	.....	5,740	5,426
Postal Service:				
Payment to Postal Service fund (39 U.S.C. 2401)	89	83	89	75
Discretionary Two-year Advances:				
Corporation for Public Broadcasting (47 U.S.C. 396) ²	400	420	430	445
Subtotal, Discretionary Advance Appropriations	26,941	29,271	77,464	79,899
Mandatory:				
Department of Health and Human Services:				
Grants to States for Medicaid (42 U.S.C. 1396) ³	67,293	71,700	86,789	86,445
Payments to States for Child Support Enforcement and Family Support (24 U.S.C. Ch. 9)	1,000	1,000	1,100	1,200
Payments to States for Foster Care and Adoption Assistance (P.L. 96-272)	1,776	1,800	1,850	1,850
Department of Labor:				
Special Benefits for Disabled Coal Miners (30 U.S.C. 921)	62	56	45	41
Social Security Administration:				
Supplemental Security Income Program (42 U.S.C. 1381)	14,800	15,400	16,000	13,400
Total, Advance Appropriations	111,872	119,227	183,248	182,835

¹ To account for the Administration's Elementary and Secondary Education Act reauthorization proposal, the 2011 Budget eliminates the \$1.681 billion advance appropriation that was previously in the School Improvement account (renamed the Education Improvement Account) and replaces it with corresponding increases to advance appropriations in the accounts for Education for the Disadvantaged (\$840 million, renamed Accelerating Achievement and Ensuring Equity) and Special Education (\$841 million). Total advance appropriations in the Department of Education remain unchanged at \$21.905 billion.

² The 2011 request includes a 2013 advance appropriation for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting of \$460 million, consistent with the historical practice of providing the Corporation a two-year advance appropriation.

³ The 2011 total includes \$3,690 million attributable to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, 2009 (Public Law 111-5).

