



Payment Limitations

OVERVIEW

A maximum dollar amount that can be received annually, directly or indirectly, under various programs by a person or legal entity is established by statute.

Such limitations on payments are controlled by direct attribution. Direct attribution means that program payments made:

- Directly or indirectly to a person are combined with the pro rata interest held in any legal entity that received payment, unless the payments to the legal entity have been reduced by the pro rata share of the person.
- Directly to a legal entity are attributed to those persons that have a direct and indirect interest in the legal entity, unless the payments to the legal entity have been reduced by the pro rata share of the person.

Payment attribution to a legal entity is tracked through four levels of ownership. If any part of the ownership interest at the fourth level is owned by another legal entity, a reduction in payment will be applied to the payment entity in the amount that represents the indirect interest of the fourth level entity in the payment entity.

For the purposes of the direct attribution of payments, ownership interest that a person or legal entity holds in a legal entity on June 1 of the current year is used. Direct attribution of payments is not applicable to cooperative associations of producers. The payments will instead be attributed to the members of the association that produced the commodities marketed by the association on behalf of the members.

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Annual payment limitations for programs administered by FSA

Payment or Benefit	Limitation per Person or Legal Entity, per Crop, Program, or Fiscal Year
(1) Price Loss Coverage, Agricultural Risk Coverage, Marketing Loan Gain (MLG) and Loan Deficiency Payment (LDP) (for all commodities other than Peanuts)	\$125,000
(2) Price Loss Coverage, Agricultural Risk Coverage, Marketing Loan Gain (MLG) and Loan Deficiency Payment (LDP) for Peanuts	125,000
(3) Transition Assistance For Upland Cotton for 2014 and 2015	40,000
(4) Conservation Reserve Program annual rental payments ³	50,000
(5) Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program	125,000
(6) Tree Assistance Program	125,000
(7) Livestock Indemnity Program, Livestock Forage Disaster Program, and Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honey Bees, and Farm-Raised Fish	125,000