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| **FS103 - Poverty Quartile File Specifications** |
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DOCUMENT HISTORY

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| **Version Number** | **Date** | **Summary of Change** |
| 1.0 – 16.0 |  | Versions 1.0 through 16.0 are used to build files for school years prior to SY 2020-21. |
| 17.0 | January 2021 | Updated for SY 2020-21:   * General * Changed file name to more accurately reflect the data collected in this file specification * Section 2.5 * Renamed heading "Guidance" to "Data Reporting Guidelines" * Streamlined questions and answers to ensure the file specification emphasizes technical guidance and includes references for any critical policy guidance |

PREFACE

This document provides technical instructions for building files that are submitted through the ED*Facts* Submission System (ESS). The ESS is an electronic system that facilitates the efficient and timely transmission of data from SEAs to the U.S. Department of Education.

This document is to be used in coordination with other documentation posted on the [ED*Facts* Initiative Home Page](http://www2.ed.gov/about/inits/ed/edfacts/index.html) under ED*Facts* System Documentation, including:

* ED*Facts* Workbook – a reference guide to using the ED*Facts*

Submission System (ESS); particularly useful to new users; contains multiple appendices, including one that explains how to use the file specifications

* ESS User Guide – provides assistance to new users of the ED*Facts* Submission System (ESS); it addresses the basic mechanics of system access and data submission
* ED*Facts* Business Rules Single Inventory (BRSI) - a single inventory containing business rules applied to ED*Facts* data throughout the pre- and post-submission lifecycle of that data. The inventory describes each business rule, including the error number, type, message, definition, edit logic, and the file specifications where the business rules are applied

Please contact the Partner Support Center (PSC) with questions about the documents. You will find contact information for PSC and each State ED*Facts* Coordinator on the [ED*Facts* Contact Page](http://www2.ed.gov/about/inits/ed/edfacts/eden/contacts.html).

Data submitted through the ESS are authorized by an Annual Mandatory Collection of Elementary and Secondary Education Data Through ED*Facts* (OMB 1850-0925, expires 8/31/2022). ED*Facts* is a U.S. Department of Education (ED) initiative to govern, acquire, validate, and use high-quality, pre-kindergarten through grade 12 (pre-K–12) performance data for education planning, policymaking, and management and budget decision-making to improve outcomes for students. ED*Facts* centralizes data provided by SEAs, LEAs and schools, and provides users with the ability to easily analyze and report data. This initiative has significantly reduced the reporting burden for state and local data producers, and has streamlined data collection, analysis and reporting functions at the federal, state and local levels.

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# PURPOSE

This document contains instructions for building files to submit ED*Facts* Data Group 699: State poverty designation. The definition for this data group is:

The classification of a school’s poverty quartile for purposes of determining the number of inexperienced, emergency/provisional credentialed, and out-of-field teachers in high and low poverty schools, according to state’s indicator of poverty.

The data collected using this file specification are collected under the authority of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965, as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

The ED data stewarding office/s for this file: OESE

# GUIDANCE FOR SUBMITTING THIS FILE

This section contains changes from the previous school year, core requirements for submitting this file, required categories and totals, and general guidance.

## Changes from the SY 2019-20 File Specifications

As noted in the document history on page ii, Section 2.5 has been renamed to "Data Reporting Guidelines" and the questions and answers have been streamlined to ensure the file specification emphasizes technical guidance and includes references for any critical policy guidance (statutory, regulatory, or program priority). Our goal is to be transparent about the source of reporting guidance and requirements. We encourage grantees and survey respondents to use the references to build contextual understanding about the reporting requirements.

The name of the file has also been changed to more accurately reflect the current content of the file specification. There have been no changes to the record layouts.

## Core Requirements for Submitting this File

The following table contains the reporting period, the education units included or excluded, the type of count, and zero count reporting.

**Table 2.2-1: Core Reporting Requirements**

|  | **SEA** | **LEA** | **School** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Reporting Period |  |  | School Year - Any 12-month period |
| Education units included |  |  | Operational schools. |
| Education units not reported |  |  | Closed, inactive, or future schools |
| Type of count |  |  |  |
| Zero counts |  |  |  |
| Zero exceptions or  Not applicable |  |  |  |
| Missing |  |  |  |
| Related metadata survey |  |  |  |

## Required Categories and Totals

This section is not used for this file specification.

## Categories and Permitted Values

This section contains the categories and permitted values used for submitting this file.

**DG699 - State poverty designation:**

**State Poverty Designation**

Poverty quartiles.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Permitted Value Abbreviation** | **Permitted Value Description** | **Comments** |
| HIGH | High poverty quartile school |  |
| LOW | Low poverty quartile school |  |
| NEITHER | Neither high nor low poverty quartile school |  |
| MISSING | Missing | Use when data are not available by this category. |

## *Revised!* Data Reporting Guidelines

This section contains guidance for submitting this file in the format of questions and answers.

The questions in this section are based on the following statutory requirements: sections 1111(h)(1)(C)(ix)(I-III) and 1111(h)(5)(D)(i-iii) of ESEA.

**What is the State Poverty Designation (DG699)?**

Each state selects a metric that it uses to determine the high poverty and low poverty schools in their state. States should rank all schools from highest to lowest based on the poverty metric selected by the state in order to determine the poverty quartiles.

## Definitions

See the [ED*Facts* Workbook](https://www2.ed.gov/about/inits/ed/edfacts/eden-workbook.html) for the standard definitions. This file specification has no additional definitions.

# FILE NAMING CONVENTION

The following file naming convention is to help identify files to provide technical assistance.

A maximum of 25 characters (including the file extension) is allowed for the file name.

The following is the naming convention for file submissions:

sslev**filename**vvvvvvv.ext

**Table 3.0-1: File Naming Convention**

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| --- | --- | --- |
| **Where** | **Means** | **Limit in characters** |
| ss | USPS State Abbreviation | 2 |
| lev | Abbreviation for level:   * SCH for a school level | 3 |
| filename | **STATPOV** | 9 |
| vvvvvvv | Alphanumeric string designated by the SEA to uniquely identify the individual submission (*e.g.,* ver0001, v010803) | 7 |
| .ext | Extension identifying the file format:  .txt – fixed  .csv – comma delimited  .tab – tab delimited | 4 |

# FIXED OR DELIMITED FILES

This section describes the fixed file and delimited file specifications. The fixed file and delimited files contain a header record followed by data records. The file type is specified in the header record.

The “Pop” column in the header and data records is coded as follows:

M - Mandatory, this field must always be populated

O - Optional, data in this field are optional

## Header Record Definition

The header record is required and is the first record in every file submitted to the ESS. The purpose of the header record is to provide information as to the file type, number of data records in the file, file name, file identifier, and file reporting period.

**Table 4.1–1: Header Record**

| **Data Element Name** | **Start Position** | **Length** | **Type** | **Pop** | **Definition / Comments** | **Permitted Values**  **Abbreviations** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| File Type | 1 | 50 | String | M | Identifies the type of file being submitted. | **SCHOOL AYP STATUS** |
| Total Records in File | 51 | 10 | Number | M | The total number of data records contained in the file. The header record is NOT included in this count. |  |
| File Name | 61 | 25 | String | M | The file name including extension, the same as the external file name. | See section 3.0 |
| File Identifier | 86 | 32 | String | M | Any combination of standard characters to further identify the file as specified by the SEA (e.g., a date, person’s name, and version number). |  |
| File Reporting Period | 118 | 9 | String | M | The school year for which data are being reported. The required format is "CCYY–CCYY" or "CCYY CCYY", where either a hyphen or a space separates the beginning and ending years. | **2020-2021**  OR  **2020 2021** |
| Filler | 127 | 333 | String | M | Leave filler field blank. |  |
| Carriage Return / Line Feed (CRLF) | 460 | 1 |  | M |  |  |

Below is an example of a header record.

**Table 4.1–2: School Header Record Example**

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| --- | --- |
| Format | File Type,Total Records in File,File Name,File Identifier,File Reporting Period,Filler,Carriage Return / Line Feed (CRLF) |
| Example | SCHOOL AYP STATUS,15,euschSTATPOVv000001.csv,characters to identify file,2020-2021,¶ |

## Data Record Definition

Data records are required and immediately follow the header record in every file submitted to the ESS. Data records provide the statuses for the schools.

**Table 4.2–1: Data Records**

| **Data Element Name** | **Start Position** | **Length** | **Type** | **Pop** | **Definition / Comments** | **Permitted Values**  **Abbreviations** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| File Record Number | 1 | 10 | Number | M | A sequential number assigned by the State that is unique to each row entry within the file. |  |
| **DG559** State Code | 11 | 2 | String | M | The two-digit American National Standards Institute (ANSI) code for the state, District of Columbia, and the outlying areas and freely associated areas of the United States. | For a list of valid State Codes, refer to the ED*Facts* Workbook. |
| **DG570** State Agency Number | 13 | 2 | String | M | A number used to uniquely identify state agencies. This ID cannot be updated through this file. | **01** – State Education Agency |
| **DG4** LEA Identifier (State) | 15 | 14 | String | M | The identifier assigned to a local education agency (LEA) by the state education agency (SEA). Also known as State LEA Identification Number (ID). This data element cannot be updated through this file. |  |
| **DG5** School Identifier (State) | 29 | 20 | String | M | The identifier assigned to a school by the state education agency (SEA).  Also known as the State School Identification Number (ID).  This ID cannot be updated through this file. |  |
| Filler | 49 | 15 | String | M | Leave filler field blank |  |
| Filler | 64 | 15 | String | M | Leave filler field blank |  |
| Filler | 79 | 15 | String | M | Leave filler field blank |  |
| Filler | 94 | 15 | String | M | Leave filler field blank |  |
| State Poverty Designation | 109 | 15 | String | M | Poverty quartiles. | **HIGH** – High poverty quartile school  **LOW** – Low poverty quartile school  **NEITHER** – Neither high nor low poverty quartile school  **MISSING** |
| Filler | 124 | 9 | String | M | Leave filler field blank. |  |
| Explanation | 133 | 200 | String | O | Text field for state use. |  |
| Carriage Return / Line Feed (CRLF) | 333 | 1 |  | M |  |  |

Below is an example of a data record, this is the set of data that should be submitted for each education unit.

**Table 4.2–2: Data Record Example – School level**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Format | File Record Number,State Code,State Agency Number,LEA Identifier (State),School Identifier (State),Filler,Filler,Filler,Filler,State Poverty Designation,Filler,Explanation,Carriage Return / Line Feed (CRLF) |
| Example | 1,80,01,00601EUPHORIA,00000000000000000506,,,,,HIGH,,¶ |



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