



**United States Department of Education  
Office of Student Financial Assistance Programs  
National Student Loan Data System**

**ED Form 1130 Reasonability Testing  
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*Three copies are being addressed to the following people: agency director, financial officer, and the person responsible for providing data to NSLDS. Please forward this as appropriate.*

This technical update provides a comparison of selected line items from the ED Form 1130 to totals calculated from NSLDS data.

At this time, only certain line items have been selected for comparison with the loan-level data in NSLDS. The Department of Education (ED) continues to work on additional line items from the ED Form 1130 to compare with NSLDS data.

The following three documents are attached:

**1. ED Form 1130 Comparison to NSLDS Data for Fiscal Year 1999 (10/1/98 to 9/30/99).**

For easy reference, the ED Form 1130 line items are listed in the comparison. ED's Financial Partners provided ED with the 1130 fiscal year reports by agencies.

- The *Amount Difference* column presents the difference between the NSLDS calculated value and the ED Form 1130 amount.
- The *Percent Difference FY 1999* column gives a percentage value to the amount of difference.
- The *Percent Difference of All Participants* column represents the average differences for all active guaranty agencies, so that each agency will have a perspective on these differences.
- The last column, *Percent Difference FY 1998*, provides last year's percent difference.

Note that if your agency is currently working with ED to modify or correct your FY 1999 ED Form 1130, those changes may not be reflected in this comparison.

2. **ED Form 1130 Comparison to NSLDS Data Active GA Summary.** This is a compilation of ED Form 1130 and NSLDS totals for active guaranty agencies. This worksheet also lists the guaranty agency-wide differences and percent differences for FY 1999 as well as the guaranty agency-wide percent differences from FY 1998.
3. **ED Form 1130 NSLDS Computation Information Worksheet.** This worksheet details NSLDS methods for calculating each line item. The ED Form 1130 line items are given in rows that show the NSLDS field names and computation logic.

Review these comparisons and contact NSLDS with any feedback. ED may also contact your guaranty agency to discuss its reasonability results. You may direct any comments or concerns to the NSLDS Customer Service Center at 800-999-8219.