



# American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

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Using ARRA Funds to Support School  
Reform and Improvement



# Use of Funds

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**Funds under Title I, Part A of the  
ESEA-**

**Elementary and Secondary  
Education Act of 1965 are made  
available through-**

**The American Recovery and  
Reinvestment Act of 2009**



# Purpose

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To provide **\$44 Billion** to states to stimulate the economy and invest in education and other public services to ensure long-term economic health of the Nation.

To strengthen education reform and improve education outcomes from early learning through high school particularly for students living in poverty, students with disabilities, and English language learners.

# Guiding Principles for Use of ARRA Funds

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- Spend funds quickly to save and create jobs
- Ensure transparency, reporting & accountability
- Invest one-time funds thoughtfully
- Improve student achievement via school reform



# Core Reform Assurances

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- Progress toward rigorous college and career standards
- PreK-college/career data systems
- Teacher effectiveness and equitable distribution
- Intensive support and effective intervention to lowest performing schools



## ARRA Title I Funds

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- Use funds consistent with what is allowable for Title I, Part A statutory and regulatory requirements
- ARRA funds are to be encumbered by September 30, 2011 and spent December 30, 2011.

# ARRA Guidance

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- **Set-aside ARRA Waivers may be requested for:**
- **LEA Improvement (10%)**
- **School Improvement (20%) – SES/Choice**
- **School Improvement PD (10% of school allocation)**



# Additional Waiver Request

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- **LEAs may request waivers for...**
- **Set-aside requirements**
- **SES student cap**
- **Carryover cap (NC Ed-Flex)**
- **Maintenance of effort** (consider the extent of the impact economic decline)

# NO ARRA Waivers

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- **NO Set-aside Waivers for....**
- **Parent Involvement (1%)**
- **Homeless Education**
- **Private Schools**
  
- **NO Waivers for ....**
- **Comparability**
- **Private school participation**
- **Supplement vs. Supplant**

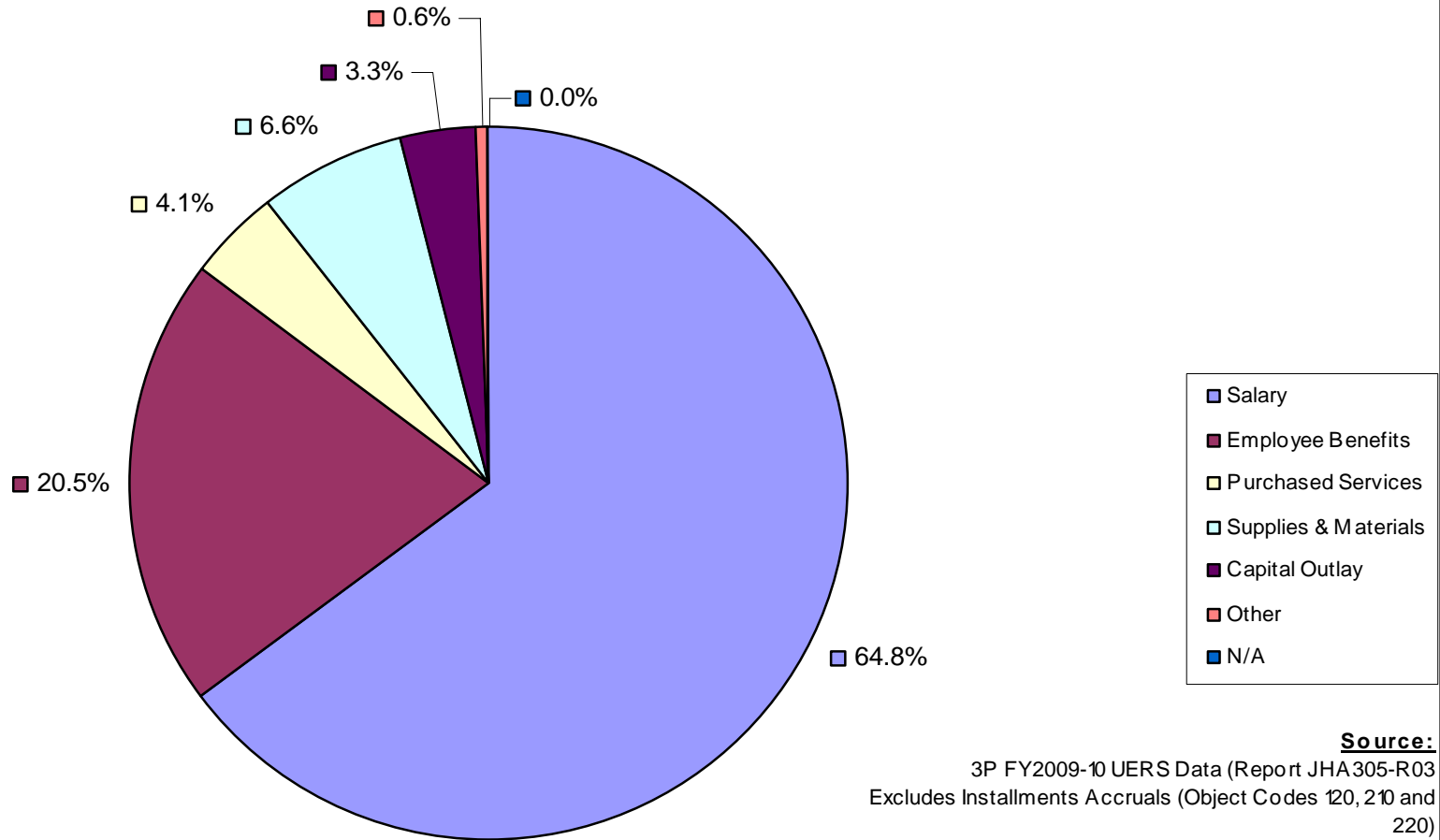


# Ensure Transparency in Reporting & Accountability

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- **All ARRA funds must be tracked separately**
- **Quarterly reports are due on financial information and how funds are being used**
- **Record estimated number of jobs created**
- **Reporting template is being developed for state use**

**State Level Expenditures for PRC: ALL (Sum of all ARRA Programs (PRC 14x))**



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**U.S. Department of Education  
Clarifying Guidance on  
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009  
Section 1512 Quarterly Reporting**



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# Monitoring ARRA Funds

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- As required by Section 1512 of the ARRA of 2009, quarterly reporting is required for each state.
- Monitoring of ARRA funds to LEAs and Charter Schools will be captured in the revised monitoring instrument for 2009-2010.
- **An Addendum Results Summary** is added to the Cross Program Consolidated Monitoring instrument.



# ARRA Monitoring

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- In addition to the 29 LEAs and Charter schools scheduled for 2009-10, those receiving ARRA funds will be monitored as well.
- Further scheduling information is forthcoming from your Regional Consultant



# Resources

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- [www.recovery.gov](http://www.recovery.gov)
- [www.ncpublicschools.org](http://www.ncpublicschools.org)