

E-Rate C2 Budget Tool Data FY2021+ Dataset Glossary

The C2 Budget Tool Data FY2021+ Set is designed to assist applicants in determining their C2 budgets for each five-year cycle beginning with the first budget cycle, which starts in FY2021 and ends in FY2025. This tool and data set provides information about applicants' C2 budgets based on the most recent entity profile and commitment data available, but it does not capture all data points that may be relevant for determining an applicant's actual available C2 budget at a certain point in time during each five-year cycle. It should therefore be used for informational purposes only.

Use this dataset to answer questions like:

- What is my C2 budget?
- How much C2 funding have I used?
- How much C2 funding is pending review?
- How much C2 funding do I have available?

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Field Name	Field Description	Field Completeness
BEN	Billed entity number (BEN) for the organization with the C2 budget. Also referred to as the budgeted entity number.	100%
Billed Entity Name	Organization name associated with the billed entity number. Also referred to as the budgeted entity name.	100%
City	City where the budgeted entity is located.	100%
State	State where the budgeted entity is located.	100%
Applicant Type	Entity type of the budgeted entity. Eligible types are school district, school, library system, and library. Consortia entities do not get a C2 budget, so they are excluded.	100%
Consulting Firm Name (CRN)	A consulting firm name will be listed if the budgeted entity has an established relationship with a consulting firm on the entity profile or if a consulting firm is listed on the FCC Form 471. The consulting firm name will be listed then the CRN (consultant registration number) will be listed in parentheses. This field can be searched based on the consulting firm name or CRN. If there is more than one consulting firm they are separated with a semicolon.	61%
C2 Budget Cycle	The five year C2 budget cycle for the C2 budget (e.g. FY2021-2025, FY2026-2030).	100%

Child Entity Count Number of child entities for the budgeted entity including schools or libraries. Non-instructional facilities (NIFs) and annexes are not counted as child entities. This count is based on either a committed FCC Form 471, a certified FCC Form 471, or the entity profile. 100%

C2 Budget Algorithm There are nine algorithms as follows. The algorithm selected optimizes the budget for each budgeted entity. 100%

- **Independent School:** C2 budget student count x school student multiplier; minimum = \$25,000.
- **Independent Library:** Library square footage x library multiplier; minimum = \$25,000.
- **School District Wide:** C2 budget student count x school student multiplier; minimum = school district wide (aggregate funding floor).
- **School District Wide (Aggregate Funding Floor):** Count of child entities with non-zero C2 budget student count x \$25,000.
- **Library System Wide:** Library square footage x library multiplier; minimum = library system wide (aggregate funding floor).
- **Library System Wide (Aggregate Funding Floor):** Count of child entities with non-zero square footage x \$25,000.
- **Per Site Basis School District:** Sum of C2 budgets by child entity for school districts with 10 or less child school entities (excluding swing space schools); minimum = count of child entities with non-zero C2 budget student count x \$25,000.
- **Per Site Basis Library System:** Sum of C2 budgets by child entity for library systems with 10 or less child library entities; minimum = count of child entities with non-zero square footage x \$25,000.
- **School District Wide (User Selected):** District-wide student count x school student multiplier for school districts where the applicant enters a single C2 student count for the whole district; minimum = child entity count x \$25,000.
- For budgeted entities with a \$0 confirmed budget, this field is blank.

Full Time Student Count C2 budget student count for the budgeted entity based on either a committed FCC Form 471, a certified FCC Form 471, or 82%

the entity profile. In the case of a school district this is equal to the sum of the C2 budget student counts for all child school entities or the user selected C2 budget student count for the whole district.

Library Square Footage	Total library square footage for the budgeted entity based on either a committed FCC Form 471, a certified FCC Form 471, or the entity profile. In the case of a library system, this is the total square footage for all child library entities.	18%
School Student Multiplier	Student count multiplier used to derive the C2 budget for the budget cycle.	82%
Library Multiplier	Library square footage multiplier used to derive the C2 budget for the budget cycle.	18%
C2 Budget	<p>The current C2 budget for the budgeted entity. Note, this figure is based on the C2 budget algorithm that results in optimal (highest) budget for each applicant pursuant to FCC rules. The C2 budget is calculated based on pre-discount dollars.</p> <p>For a school district with 10 or fewer schools (excluding swing space schools), E-Rate can calculate a higher budget if any of the child entity schools has 149 or fewer students. If a school district opts to report the C2 budget student count as one district-wide number, then E-Rate cannot do this.</p> <p>Note: Budgeted entities are included in this dataset only if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The entity has a confirmed budget of \$0 or more or a forecast or preliminary budget greater than \$0. • The entity has certified at least one FCC Form 471 since FY2016 or the entity was created in CY2020 or later. 	100%
C2 Budget Version	<p>The version of the budget (also referred to as budget status) that includes the following: forecast, preliminary or confirmed.</p> <p>The budget version will change from forecast to preliminary once the first C2 FCC Form 471 in the cycle is certified. If all FRNs are cancelled, then the budget will revert to forecast.</p> <p>The budget version will change from preliminary to confirmed once the first C2 FCC Form 471 is committed with at least one funded or denied FRN.</p> <p>For schools or school districts with estimated student counts for new construction the budget will remain as preliminary until the student counts are confirmed then the C2 budget version will change to confirmed.</p> <p>The budget version can change from confirmed to preliminary after an applicant requests a replacement C2 budget in a given</p>	100%

	<p>funding year and its first C2 FCC Form 471 for that funding year is certified. Once the C2 FCC Form 471 is committed, then the budget will change to confirmed.</p>	
Funded C2 Budget Amount	<p>Sum of funded C2 FRNs pre-discount \$ from committed FCC Forms 471 for the budgeted entity and budget cycle. This includes C2 cost allocations from consortia applicants that list the budgeted entity under the “Budgeted Entities” section in the C2 FCC Form 471 application.</p>	100%
Pending C2 Budget Amount	<p>Sum of pending (or in-review) C2 FRN pre-discount \$ from pending FCC Forms 471 for the budgeted entity and budget cycle. This includes C2 cost allocations from consortia applicants that list the budgeted entity under the “Budgeted Entities” section in the C2 FCC Form 471 application. This may include cost allocations from denied or canceled FRNs under a pending appeal.</p>	100%
Available C2 Budget Amount	<p>Remaining available C2 budget amount = C2 budget - funded C2 amount - pending C2 amount. Funds still available for the budget cycle and budgeted entity. This available C2 budget amount can change based on changes to pending and funded C2 amounts.</p>	100%