2012 AG CENSUS AND NRCS EQIP PARITY CALCULATIONS
A preview of FY2013 Parity Calculations.

To meet the requirements of the Government Performance Reform Act, NRCS established the performance tracking system called PRMS (Now PRS). This system is designed to capture the status of conservation assistance that the agency provides. Included in the system is the information of the client’s race or ethnicity. Since FY 2000, all States have documented their services and activities in the system.

USDA is moving Client Demographics to a new RegStats system operated by NASS. This data uses the FY2013 program data from REAP that will be used in the RegStats system.

Parity is a commonly used measure of "fairness" of service. The Parity Calculation is the ratio of the NRCS EQIP Minority Customers and the Minority 2012 Ag Census operators divided by the ratio of the White Male EQIP Customers and the White Male 2013 Ag Census Operators.

The equation is as follows:

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\text{Parity} = \frac{\text{Minority 2013 EQIP} \div \text{Minority 2012 Ag Census}}{\text{White Male 2013 EQIP} \div \text{White Male 2012 Ag Census}}
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