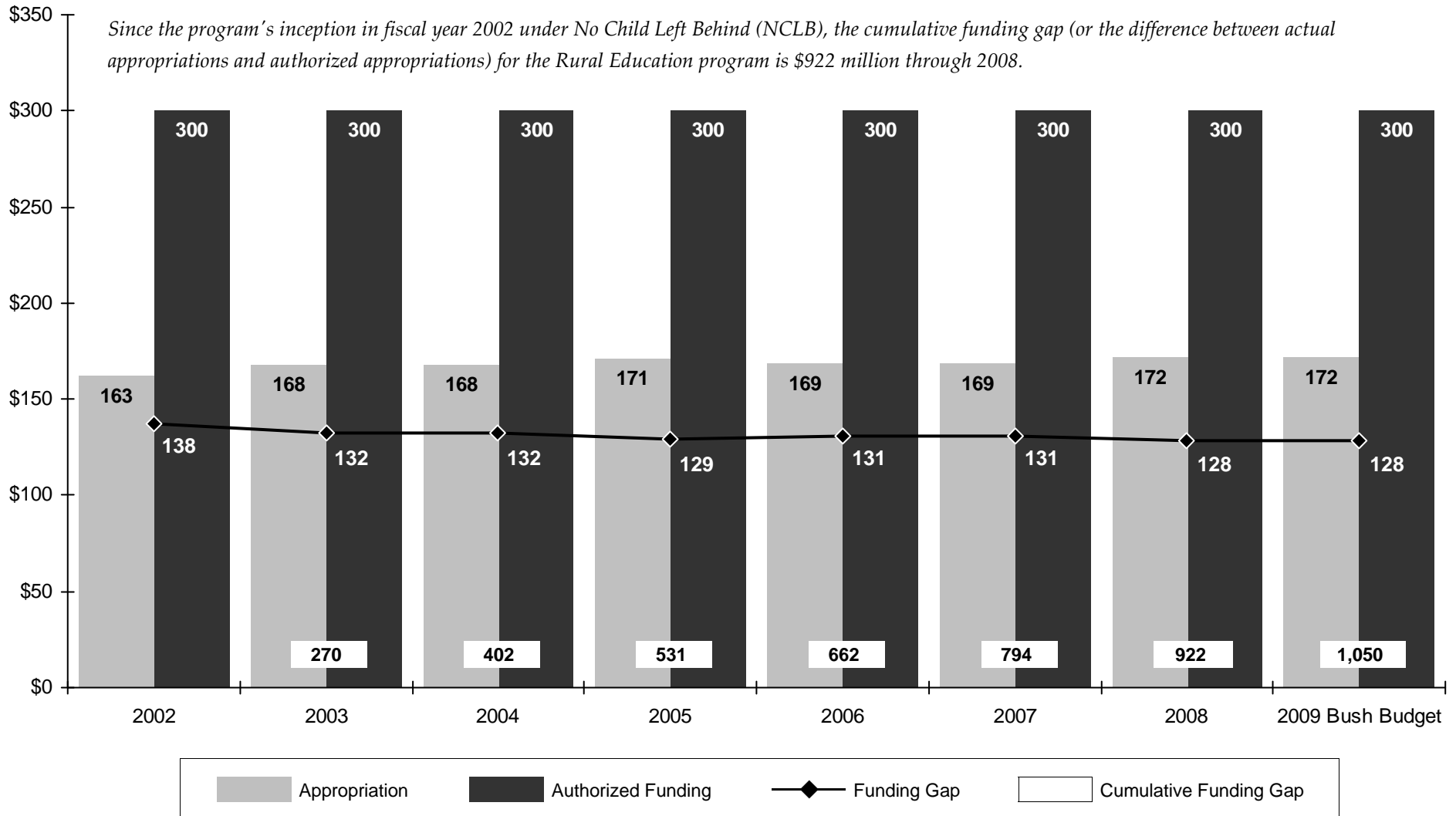


RURAL EDUCATION: Funding Gap

Actual Appropriations vs. Authorized Appropriations, FY 2002-09

(in millions)



Source: U.S. Department of Education. Rural Education (ESEA VI-B) is comprised of two programs: Small, Rural School Achievement Program (Subpart 1) and Rural and Low-Income School Program (Subpart 2). The amounts appropriated for Rural Education are distributed equally between the two programs. Authorization amounts are from the NCLB Act. The authorized amounts in fiscal years 2003 through 2009 are based on the fiscal year 2002 level, the only year a specific amount was authorized under NCLB. For more information, contact Tom Zembar at 202.822.7109 or TZembar@nea.org. Updated February 4, 2008.