

## National Emergency Grants

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### Analysis

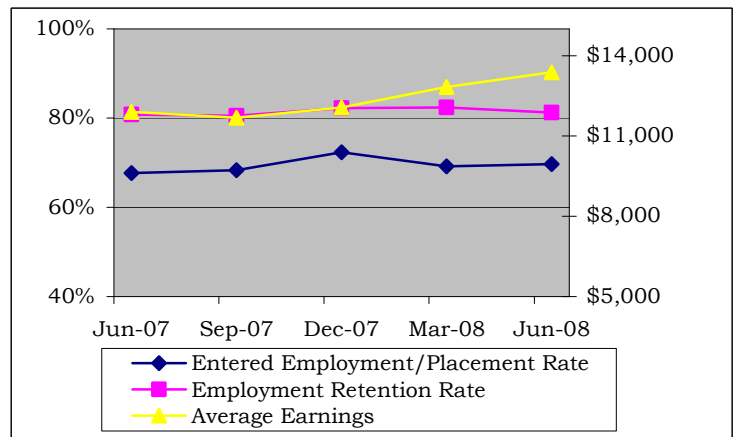
- 24 new grants were awarded in the fourth quarter of Program Year (PY) 2007:
  - 5 Disaster
  - 6 Dual enrollment
  - 3 Regular
  - 10 Regional Innovation Grants.
  
- 8 additional funding increments were provided to previously awarded grants during the quarter:
  - 4 Disaster
  - 3 Dual enrollment
  - 1 Regular.
  
- The single largest grant awarded during this quarter was to Iowa (\$17,127,000) for cleanup and humanitarian assistance after the storms and flooding that devastated the Midwest.
  
- 11,767 workers will be trained through NEG's approved during the quarter (32,416 workers for all of PY 2007).
  
- Outcomes for all three of the NEG performance measures increased in the quarter ending on June 30 compared to the same time period last year.

## Charting Program Performance

### Current Quarter/One Year Ago

Performance Measure	6/30/07	6/30/08
Entered Employment	67.7 %	69.7 %
Retained Employment	80.8 %	81.2 %
Average Earnings	\$11,893	\$13,374

### Performance in the Past 5 Quarters



### Program Description

National Emergency Grants (NEGs), are discretionary awards intended to temporarily expand service capacity at the state and local levels by providing time-limited funding assistance in response to significant economic events. Significant events are those that create a sudden need for assistance that cannot reasonably be expected to be accommodated within the on-going operations of the WIA formula-funded Dislocated Worker Program, including the discretionary resources reserved at the state level. Significant dislocation events include business closures, mass layoffs, realignment and closure of military installations as a result of the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) initiative of 2005, as well as disasters declared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as eligible for public assistance.

### Other Program Highlights

- The Employment and Training Administration (ETA) has awarded 24 Regional Innovation Grants (RIGs) as of the end of the quarter. RIGs

are NEG resources, provided to state and local workforce agencies and their partners, intended to catalyze regionally-based strategic planning and recovery. RIG planning activities result in a regional strategic plan that focuses on talent and economic development as a tool with which to assist the local workforce in adapting to the impacts of future regional economic shifts and downturns.

- During the current quarter, NEGs were awarded to multiple Midwestern states in response to job losses caused by severe storms and resultant widespread flooding. The NEGs provide funding to create temporary employment on projects that provide cleanup, demolition, repair, renovation and reconstruction of damaged structures and public lands within affected communities. Funds also will be used for projects that provide food, clothing, shelter and other types of humanitarian assistance:
  - \$4.1 million was awarded to the state of Missouri for the creation of approximately 133 temporary jobs. Seventy counties throughout Missouri and the city of St. Louis are eligible for assistance under the grant.
  - \$17 million was awarded to the state of Iowa to create approximately 600 temporary jobs for eligible dislocated workers. 84 counties across Iowa are eligible for assistance under the grant.
  - \$2.4 million was awarded to the state of Indiana to fund the creation of approximately 200 temporary jobs. 29 counties in Indiana are eligible for assistance under the grant.