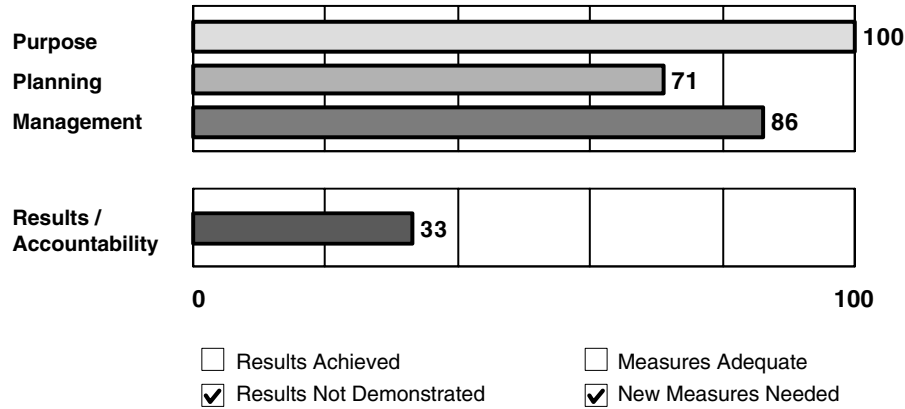


**Program: Pesticide Registration**

**Agency:** Environmental Protection Agency

**Bureau:** Environmental Protection Agency



**Key Performance Measures**

**Year Target Actual**

Measure	Year	Target	Actual
Long-term Measure: Measure under development			
Annual Measure: Number of new reduced risk active ingredients registered	2001	11	11
	2002	10	15
	2003	13	
	2004	13	
Long-term Efficiency Measure: Measure under development			

**Rating: Results Not Demonstrated**

**Program Type:** Direct Federal

**Program Summary:**

The Pesticide Registration program at EPA evaluates new pesticides and registers them for use in the United States. EPA examines the ingredients of the pesticide, how it will be used, as well as storage and disposal practices to ensure that, when used properly, the pesticide will not have any adverse effects on humans or the environment.

The assessment indicates that the program addresses an important nationwide interest and that further work is needed in the area of performance measurement. Specific findings include:

1. The program has a clear mission and statutory authority, and it provides for the safe use of pesticides on a nationwide basis.
2. The program has established long-term goals but they are not adequate because the goals lack quantified baselines and/or performance targets and they need to be more outcome-focused.
3. The program regularly reviews overall progress toward annual goals and does make management decisions to address issues that impede progress.
4. The program does not use efficiency or cost effectiveness metrics to monitor program management or performance.
5. Generally the program has met its annual goals but it is unclear how achieving these annual targets leads to quantifiable progress toward the program's long-term goals. One new long-term efficiency goal that targets reductions in decision-making time has been proposed for this program by EPA, but further work is needed to finalize the goal and to develop appropriate annual targets to support it.

In response to these findings, the Administration will:

1. Implement appropriate long-term measures.
2. Develop adequate efficiency and cost effectiveness measures to improve program performance and goal-setting.

(For more information on this program, please see the Environmental Protection Agency chapter in the Budget volume.)

**Program Funding Level (in millions of dollars)**

<u>2002 Actual</u>	<u>2003 Estimate</u>	<u>2004 Estimate</u>
45	44	48