Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Youth Program

See our program website at www.doleta.gov/youth services

Performance Goals

GPRA Performance Measure	PY 2008 Target
Entered Employment	62%
Retained Employment	57%
Average Earnings	30%

Analysis

The WIA Youth program provided services to 166,488 participants this quarter.

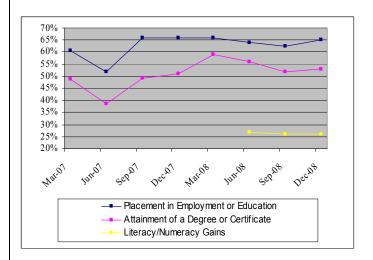
- The program achieved a result of 65 percent for the placement in employment or education measure. This is slightly above the annual goal of 62 percent.
- The program achieved a result of 53% for the attainment of a degree or certificate measure within the current quarter. This is below the annual target of 57 percent. However, the rolling four quarter result of 57 percent for this measure meets the annual goal.
- The program achieved a result of 26 percent on the literacy/numeracy measure. This is below the annual target of 30 percent. However, the rolling four quarter result for this measure is 30%, which meets the annual goal.

Charting Program Performance

Performance Measure	Quarter Ending 12/31/07	Quarter Ending 12/31/08 ¹
Placement in Employment or Education	66%	65%
Attainment of a Degree or Certificate	51%	53%
Literacy/Numeracy Gains ²	N/A	26%

¹ Data displayed is not for a cumulative four quarter period but for the quarter listed only.

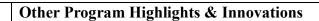
Performance Progress in the Past Eight Quarters



Program Description

The WIA Youth program provides employment and education services to eligible at-risk youth. These youth range in ages 14 to 21 and are facing barriers to employment. The program aims to serve youth with disabilities and low literacy rates as well as others who may require additional assistance to complete an educational program or employment.

² The Literacy and Numeracy Gains Performance Measure was not proposed as a Performance Measure until PY2006. This factor along with the time required to begin the collection process for this measure explains the missing data prior to June 2008.



The Shared Youth Vision Federal Partnership held its quarterly meeting in November 2008. The Federal partners continued discussions around improving their systems and next steps to move the vision forward. Thirty states, including both pilot states and non-pilot states involved in the peer-to-peer mentoring initiative, are now official members of the "Shared Youth Vision Network." New states may join the network in the coming months.