



Workforce Investment Act Title I-B Annual Report



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A Message from the Governor

“When Arkansans work together, we get the job done.”

The Workforce Investment Acts at the federal and state levels have led to a workforce investment system that coordinates the goals, strategies and outcomes of all partners. The end result will be a better-educated workforce that will excel in the changing economy. I'm pleased with the progress the Arkansas Workforce Investment Board has made and am excited about the plans to make our workforce development and training resources more accessible to employers and job seekers.

The economic well being of Arkansas families is built on challenging, well-paying jobs. Our state's economy depends on our ability to prepare a trained workforce, provide assistance to Arkansans in locating available jobs and help employers create and maintain a pool of qualified workers. That's the mission of Arkansas Workforce Centers -- bringing people and jobs together through a statewide delivery system. The system offers multiple workforce services in a one-stop location, assisting job seekers and employers. An Arkansas Workforce Center can provide the latest information about job openings, salaries and wages. Self-service assistance, personal assistance and training for those who qualify are available at no charge along with a statewide referral system for connection with other agencies that support workforce development.

Arkansas Workforce Centers can identify skill requirements, develop job listings, recruit and screen potential employees for job openings, provide labor market information and train employees. Few things are more important than creating opportunities for our people. Arkansas Workforce Centers are dedicated to this mission. It's a win-win situation for everyone. When Arkansans work together, we get the job done.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Huckabee".

Governor Mike Huckabee

A Message from the Chairman of the Arkansas Workforce Investment Board

As Chairman of the Arkansas Workforce Investment Board, it is my pleasure to present the Program Year 2004 Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Annual Report. This report encompasses the period of July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005.

Fortunately, we are making steady progress in improving the state's employment and training systems. Despite significant challenges, our state and local partners are working together toward common goals. This has led to enhanced services for the citizens and employers of Arkansas.

Significant progress has also been made towards aligning our workforce and economic development efforts. These efforts are designed to meet the needs of employers by matching the skills of workers through demand-side strategies. These strategies are a part of our State's overall effort of addressing our Governor's five priorities for AWIB.

During this program year, Arkansas joined a host of other states in becoming a full-fledged member of the Wage Record Interchange System (WRIS). WRIS is an important tool for states to use for performance measurement and reporting under WIA. It also provides increased support for the integration of service delivery and performance measurement within the one-stop system.

This report provides only a surface glimpse into the activities that occurred during the past program year. The performance components of this annual report, however, provide specific information regarding the state's ability to meet (or exceed in many cases), our negotiated goals for the WIA performance measures.

In summary, I am very proud of our system-wide accomplishments and of the many hardworking individuals who continue to work together. Together, we will ensure a successful WIA effort in Arkansas: bringing people and jobs together now and for the future.

Chairman Steve Lux

Central Arkansas

Cecile Teague of Brinkley, Arkansas has participated in the WIA In-School Youth Program in Central Arkansas since June 2001. She attended Brinkley High School and graduated in May of 2005.



During her four years of high school she was a cheerleader, member of the National Honor Society and was selected as the Brinkley Tigers Homecoming Queen. She has worked quietly and efficiently on worksites in the Brinkley area throughout her participation in this program. This past summer she was placed in the office at the Riviana Rice Mill in Brinkley and earned praise from this private business site. Cecile has enrolled at the University of Central Arkansas in Conway for the 2005 Fall School Term. She plans a career in Dentistry. We are proud to be a part of Cecile's achievements during her high school years and her success.

North Central

Ramona Cannon was 40 years old, divorced, and helping to support her young adult son, who still lived at home with her. She had worked in a local factory, was laid off from that job, and then worked at Wal-Mart as a cashier. There were no employment opportunities in the small rural

community where she lived, so she came to the Arkansas Workforce Center at Batesville. She told Fran Ford, case manager, that she had to have a better-paying job in order to support herself and her son, and she was tired of the uncertainty of factory employment. She wanted lasting job stability and a sense of job security. She was interested in the medical field, and decided that she wanted to pursue that career path. In August 2004, Ramona enrolled in the surgical technology program at the University of Arkansas Community College at Batesville. She was eligible for a Pell grant, so WIA provided supportive services; paying her housing and transportation costs. The training was difficult, but Ramona enjoyed it. Then, just when things seemed to be going well, Ramona's son died suddenly and unexpectedly. She was devastated. She made up her mind to drop out of school and just go back to work. When she told her case manager of her decision, Fran convinced her to try just a little longer. On her return to school, her instructors were supportive and understanding, and her classmates chipped in to help her catch up on her coursework. Without all their support, Ramona says she would never have made it. The last phase of her training was clinical training at St. Bernard's Hospital in Jonesboro. She did so well during her clinicals that St. Bernard's offered her a job before she even finished her training. Before she accepted that job, she also had offers from White River Medical Center in Batesville, and Randolph County Medical Center in Pocahontas. She accepted the Pocahontas job, and is now working as a surgical technologist making over \$11 per hour. After just a few months, Ramona has done so well

that she's been given extra responsibilities not normally assigned to surgical techs, and her career future looks much brighter than it did before she began training. Ramona has said, "Without WIA, I never would've made it. I would absolutely have had to drop out. I couldn't have paid my housing and transportation costs without going back to work full-time, and I couldn't work full time and attend the training." Ramona is appreciative of all the help she's received, including WIA, and the WIA staff of the North Central area are very proud of her.

Northwest

On August 27, 2003 46 year old Lenora Picolet came into the Workforce Center in Harrison seeking employment and not knowing what direction to take her life.



After years of marriage and two grown daughters, she found her life turned upside down by a divorce. She left everything and moved

here from Council Grove, Kansas hoping to begin a new life. She met Employment/Training Advisor Betty Ragland. After assessing Lenora and finding she had previously been employed as a teacher's aide for fourteen years with the Unified School District in Council Grove, Kansas, her ETA knew Lenora Picolet would be a great addition to any school district. John Barron, Elementary School Principal from Omaha, was interested. Lenora was sent to meet with him. On September 29,

2003 she was hired by the Omaha School District as a Title I Reading Aide. This was a new beginning for her. All the staff has come to love and depend on her. They have encouraged and supported her, becoming part of her family. On her 5th quarter follow-up, which ended March 31, 2005, she was still employed with the Omaha School District. She has bought a home and plans on making her home here. In an interview with John Barron, he said, "Ms. Picolet is wonderful and I don't know what we would do without her. I wish we had more just like her. You did us a great favor sending her to us. Lenora is a great asset to the Omaha School District."

Southeast

Beatrix Strong is a younger youth who resides in Warren. She is a single parent and has one child. She became a participant in the WIA program at the age of 17, when she had completed the 9th grade. She was basic skills deficient and was in need of employability skills. She was later to overcome these barriers to employment through the assistance of LINKS and Career Connections. Beatrix participated in every paid work experience and every employability class that became available. She became a single parent at an early age, but continued with her high school studies. She was determined to get her high school diploma. She graduated from Warren High School on 05/15/2003.

Beatrix participated in the Summer Youth Employment Program 04. Her job placement during the summer youth program was well aligned with her future educational and employment goals. She was placed at a local adult

daycare as an adult caregiver. She was able to hone her care giving skills while learning to assist others. Beatrix had set her goal early in life to become a registered nurse. While working, she also managed to attend CNA classes in Pine Bluff. As a result, she obtained her CNA License. She said that obtaining her CNA license would enable her to earn much needed higher wages to support she and her child, while attending Registered Nurses Training at the University of Arkansas at Monticello. Upon conclusion of SYEP04, Beatrix entered full time employment with Quality Adult Daycare as a Care Tech. I. She continues to be employed by Quality Adult Daycare as a Care Tech I, as well as working every other weekend for Area Agency on Aging as a certified nurses assistant. She is currently a sophomore at the University of AR at Monticello and is majoring in Nursing. She is on track for graduation in May 2008 from UAM.

Eastern



Kelly Foster was referred to the WIA program by her Camden TEA Case Worker, Ms. Gordon, to help her gain employment and valuable work experience.

Kelly, a focused single parent, was determined to get off of public assistance. Kelly was enrolled in the Work Experience Program in the local Workforce Center as a WIA Clerk-Case Manager's Assistant & Relief Workforce Center Receptionist. Through WIA she was

enrolled in Intensive services and even maximized her learning experience by enrolling in courses with the national partner, Manpower. Through Manpower, she completed valuable business related courses to further her career opportunities. After finishing the work experience program through WIA, Kelly was transferred to the AESD office to work as an Intermittent Interviewer. After three months she was hired as a permanent employee by the Department of Workforce Service. Her performance was great. All of her progress reports were nothing less than excellent. She is a people person and loves working with the public. Kelly also received a Pell Grant to go to college at SAU-Tech in East Camden, another dream that came true.

Southwest

Mr. Donald McRae is an older International Paper employee who lost his job when the paper mill closed in Camden in 2001. He was one of the employees who chose to finish his education through the WIA program and the national emergency grant. Mr. McRae enrolled at Southern Arkansas Tech at Camden and completed an Associate Degree of Science; then transferred to Magnolia to complete a Bachelor of Science degree in Social Work. He worked part-time at the hospital in Magnolia as a security guard to help support his family when the needs-related funding from the grant was exhausted. He worked the night shift so he could study. He drove 34 miles home late at night and then drove back 34 miles the next morning to meet classes. He was diligent and made good grades while he was in school. He was

hired by the Department of Human Services in the Child and Family section in Magnolia. He worked hard there and was given the opportunity to go to work for the Social Security Administration in El Dorado. He is working there now and is being very successful. If Mr. McRae had not been faithful and determined to see a very difficult situation through, I don't think his rewards would have been nearly so great. He is a fine man and has sacrificed himself to try to better his family and his own way of life.

Western

"When I started college right out of high school, I didn't know what I was supposed to do with my life and I didn't have the self-esteem or pride to pursue the things I really loved. I had always been involved in music and I loved working with children. But after three semesters of college I took what I thought was the 'easy way out' and got married and then stayed home to raise my children. During that time, I volunteer-coached elementary girls' basketball teams for five years and directed my church children's choir program of 40-60 kids for 10 years. I also did some substitute teaching. These endeavors taught me invaluable on-the-job training in teaching, business, and people skills. It was also during this time that my husband of 14 years walked out on me and my two children who were 9 and 12 years old...I was scared to death...Now the thought of returning to school seemed impossible. Nevertheless, I took a leap of faith and applied for scholarships and Pell Grants. My aunt asked me if I had talked to the people at WAEDA about assistance...The

assistance that WAEDA gave me allowed me to register for classes and start back to school. I found out while going to college that adults are very capable of achieving as well as, or better than, traditional students. I stayed on the Dean's List almost every semester I was there. I cherish not only my Bachelor in Arts Music Degree, but also the friends and experience I gained during my time in college. I feel like I was able to regain some of my lost childhood and self-esteem. What's neat is that my children have gained so much from watching my study habits and persistence.

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My Jr. High daughter and I were both taking algebra at the same time and were both struggling at first. But after seeing my own persistence, she worked harder too and we both got 'A's'. My son is now starting college as a music education major like me and has received a full scholarship based on his grades. Before I went back to get my degree, he didn't even want to go to college. I am now starting my first year as a non-traditional High School and Middle School Choir Director in the Waldron School District. It feels great to finally fulfill my passion and to be able to make a living while doing it! I really appreciate WAEDA for helping make that dream come true."

Sincerely,
Tammy Thiele

Little Rock

Mrs. Resimont is a wife and mother of two teenage children, and lives in the Maumelle area. She had been working with Southwest Airlines for 19 years when the company laid her and 710 of her fellow co-workers off. When Mrs. Resimont came into the Arkansas Workforce Center in August of this year, we had just received a National Emergency Grant from the Department of Labor to assist Southwest Airlines employees. Mrs. Resimont was doing her best to adjust to the new changes the layoff had brought to her doorstep. She asked for our assistance to help minimize or remove the barriers that barred her from re-entering the workforce.



We began with assessments to see where the bulk of her difficulties were. From there we determined that a new look and attitude was needed to pull off the ideal job Mrs. Resimont was aiming for. With interview preparation training, she was given the boost of confidence she needed to follow up on some promising job leads. Because of her determination, Mrs. Resimont was recently offered three promising positions, and has accepted a wonderful job offer at Arvest Bank. Her success has inspired her family as well. Her son will be entering Pulaski Technical College during the spring, her daughter awaits the youth program for this coming summer, and her husband has been able to enhance his skills through some work experience offered through AARP and has found a part-time job.

West Central

The Arkansas Workforce Center in Hot Springs has been an active partner in the development of the new Professional Women's Clothes Closet that celebrated a grand opening on July 12, 2005. The project is a collaborative effort of the Arkansas Workforce Center, Spa Area Business and Professional Women, Potter's Clay Crisis Shelter, the Hot Springs Beauty College, and other partnering organizations, with a focus on women entering or returning to the workplace. Clients will be referred to the Professional Women's Clothes Closet by one of the participating agencies through an established referral process and by appointment only.

By receiving tax deductible donations of clothing, make-up, shoes, nylons, or other items, the Professional Women's Clothes Closet will assist in supplying an interview outfit, assist with make-up, provide a haircut and/or color or perm, and interviewing tips. Upon securing a job, the client may return to the closet to complete her wardrobe for at least one week of work. The project site began as a disaster zone. The building had a roof leak; broken windows; rotted, partially collapsed floors; and old plumbing. Thanks to the Homebuilders Association of Greater Hot Springs and various donations from local building supply stores, the room has been fully restored and looks great! We were provided with ample donations to begin the project including: clothing racks for the floor and walls, a mirror, a screen to provide a private changing area and plenty of professional clothing and accessories to fill the room. The Arkansas Workforce Center in Hot Springs is proud to be a partner in this special project. We look forward to

assisting women with their professional workforce needs and making a difference in our community.

Northeast

Andrew Nix was enrolled into WIA program on 12/17/04. He enrolled as an out-of-school older youth attending GED classes. Andrew took his GED test and passed it on 1/14/05. Andrew received a stipend for his successful completion of the GED. Andrew then completed a job shadow activity with Arkansas Northeastern College in Paragould and started work experience at that site on 3/22/05. Andrew received excellent evaluations and positive comments from his worksite supervisors.

“Andrew says that he took advantage of the Workforce program, not solely for the job opportunities, but more importantly for himself—to be able to say he had accomplished something in his life.”

Andrew continued his job search obligations while planning for additional educational opportunities. Andrew accepted a full time position 7/24/05 with Crowley's Ridge State Park, working 40 hours per week. Andrew is also being considered for an additional job opportunity part-time at Arkansas Northeastern College. Andrew has not given up his dream of additional educational training; rather, he's just setting priorities. Andrew says that he took advantage of the Workforce program, not solely for the job opportunities, but more importantly for himself—to be able to say he had accomplished something in his life.

“My name is Robert Marshall. I lost my job with Huntco Steel in January of 2002 at the age of 42, as a result of foreign imports. I had worked there for about seven and a half years and made good money. I didn't know what I was going to do until I heard that NAFTA was going to help through the WIA branch. This helped me afford to go back to college. With their help, I was able to attend the local junior college and graduate as a registered nurse in May of 2005. Now I have a career at the local hospital as a surgical nurse, making about what I had prior to losing my job. The local WIA people worked with me the entire way to make a difficult situation turn out very well. I would like to take this opportunity to thank two people who helped a great deal—Teresa McDonald and Diana Holt. Thanks! We did it!”

Tammi Sinks, a single mother, came into the Workforce Center seeking summer employment. She was going to start college at ASU that fall, but the only household income was SSI on her mother. After Tammi was deemed eligible, she was placed at Crowley's Ridge Development Center for summer employment. Tammi started ASU that fall with tuition and book assistance from Arkansas Workforce and financial aid through Pell. She majored in Social Work because she wanted to help people who were in the same situation that her family was in. Since Tammi did such a good job on the summer program and needed money to subsidize her living expenses, she was allowed to continue working at CRDC until December. Tammi graduated this May with her Bachelor's Degree in Social Work. She is a full-time caseworker at Consolidated Youth Services and earns \$11.89 an hour. She no longer relies on HUD or food stamps for herself and her daughter.

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Table A - Workforce Investment Act Customer Satisfaction Results

| Customer Satisfaction | Goal | Actual | Number Completed | Number Eligible | Number Included | Response Rate |
|-----------------------|------|--------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Participants | 79 | 84.3 | 492 | 653 | 643 | 76.5 |
| Employers | 76 | 67.5 | 901 | 1007 | 1007 | 89.5 |

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Table B - Adult Program Results At-A-Glance

| Performance Items | Negotiated | Actual | Numerator |
|---------------------------------------|------------|--------|-------------|
| | | | Denominator |
| Entered Employment Rate | 84 | 90.7 | 694 |
| | | | 765 |
| Employment Rentention Rate | 89 | 94.3 | 957 |
| | | | 1015 |
| Earnings Change in Six Months | 3700 | 8007 | 7414445 |
| | | | 926 |
| Employment And Credential Rate | 64 | 76.3 | 621 |
| | | | 814 |

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Table C - Outcomes for Adult Special Populations

| Performance Items | Public Assistance Services | Numerator | Veterans | Numerator | Individuals Disabilities | Numerator | Older Individuals | Numerator |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------|----------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
| | | Denominator | | Denominator | | Denominator | | Denominator |
| Entered Employment Rate | 81.4 | 35 | 83 | 39 | 89.3 | 25 | 95.5 | 21 |
| | | 43 | | 47 | | 28 | | 22 |
| Employment Rentention Rate | 87.8 | 36 | 94.6 | 53 | 89.3 | 25 | 96.6 | 28 |
| | | 41 | | 56 | | 28 | | 29 |
| Earnings Change in Six Months | 5961 | 226502 | 7949 | 357703 | 6542 | 170099 | 7349 | 191063 |
| | | 38 | | 45 | | 26 | | 26 |
| Employment And Credential Rate | 69.8 | 30 | 64.7 | 22 | 64.7 | 11 | 55.6 | 5 |
| | | 43 | | 34 | | 17 | | 9 |

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Table D - Other Outcome Information for the Adult Program

| Performance Items | Individuals | Numerator | Individuals Core/Intensive Services | Numerator |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| | Received Training | Denominator | | Denominator |
| Entered Employment Rate | 89.4 | 431 | 92.9 | 263 |
| | | 482 | | 283 |
| Employment Rentention Rate | 94.3 | 644 | 94.3 | 313 |
| | | 683 | | 332 |
| Earnings Change in Six Months | 8542 | 5278853 | 6934 | 2135592 |
| | | 618 | | 308 |

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Table E - Dislocated Worker Program Results At-A-Glance

| Performance Items | Negotiated | Actual | Numerator |
|---|------------|--------|-------------|
| | | | Denominator |
| Entered Employment Rate | 99 | 91.8 | 390 |
| | | | 425 |
| Employment Rentention Rate | 97 | 97.3 | 462 |
| | | | 475 |
| Earnings Replacement in Six Months | 100 | 108.5 | 5498253 |
| | | | 5067182 |
| Employment And Credential Rate | 71 | 79.3 | 291 |
| | | | 367 |

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Table F - Outcomes for Dislocated Worker Special Populations

| Performance Items | Veterans | Numerator | Individuals Disabilities | Numerator | Older Individuals | Numerator | Displaced Homemakers | Numerator |
|---------------------------------------|----------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|
| | | Denominator | | Denominator | Denominator | Denominator | | Denominator |
| Entered Employment Rate | 84 | 42 | 87.5 | 7 | 83.3 | 20 | 100 | 7 |
| | | 50 | | 8 | | 24 | | 7 |
| Employment Rentention Rate | 100 | 56 | 80 | 4 | 100 | 29 | 100 | 6 |
| | | 56 | | 5 | | 29 | | 6 |
| Earnings Replacement Rate | 90.3 | 726112 | 111.8 | 53921 | 86.7 | 288347 | 503.5 | 57053 |
| | | 804122 | | 48245 | | 332524 | | 11331 |
| Employment And Credential Rate | 78.6 | 33 | 100 | 5 | 73.7 | 14 | 100 | 2 |
| | | 42 | | 5 | | 19 | | 2 |

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Table G - Other Outcome Information for the Dislocated Worker Program

| Performance Items | Individuals Received Training | Numerator | Individuals Core/Intensive Services | Numerator |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| | | Denominator | | Denominator |
| Entered Employment Rate | 93.5 | 343 | 81 | 47 |
| | | 367 | | 58 |
| Employment Retention Rate | 97.4 | 412 | 96.2 | 50 |
| | | 423 | | 52 |
| Earnings Replacement Rate | 104.7 | 4811546 | 145 | 686707 |
| | | 4593592 | | 473590 |

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Table H - Older Youth Results At-A-Glance

| Performance Items | Negotiated | Actual | Numerator |
|-------------------------------|------------|--------|-------------|
| | | | Denominator |
| Entered Employment Rate | 76 | 83.1 | 108 |
| | | | 130 |
| Employment Rentention Rate | 83 | 90.3 | 130 |
| | | | 144 |
| Earnings Change in Six Months | 3700 | 4550 | 600603 |
| | | | 132 |
| Credential Rate | 45 | 64.2 | 104 |
| | | | 162 |

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Table I - Outcomes for Older Youth Special Populations

| Performance Items | Public Assistance Recipients | Numerator | Veterans | Numerator | Individuals Disabilities | Numerator | Out-of-School Youth | Numerator |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|----------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------|
| | | Denominator | | Denominator | | Denominator | | Denominator |
| Entered Employment Rate | 95.2 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 50 | 1 | 82.3 | 93 |
| | | 21 | | 1 | | 2 | | 113 |
| Employment Rentention Rate | 77.3 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 8 | 90.2 | 120 |
| | | 22 | | 1 | | 8 | | 133 |
| Earnings Change in Six Months | 2949 | 61925 | 0 | 0 | 5626 | 45011 | 4413 | 542816 |
| | | 21 | | 1 | | 8 | | 123 |
| Credential Rate | 86.4 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 66.7 | 2 | 63.6 | 89 |
| | | 22 | | 1 | | 3 | | 140 |

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Table J - Younger Youth Results At-A-Glance

| Performance Items | Negotiated | Actual | Numerator |
|-----------------------------------|------------|--------|-------------|
| | | | Denominator |
| Skill Attainment Rate | 82 | 86.8 | 2895 |
| | | | 3334 |
| Diploma or Equivalent Rate | 61 | 77.5 | 447 |
| | | | 577 |
| Retention Rate | 60 | 81.7 | 402 |
| | | | 492 |

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Table K - Outcomes for Younger Youth Special Populations

| Performance Items | Public Assistance Recipients | Numerator | Individuals Disabilities | Numerator | Out-of-School Youth | Numerator |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------|
| | | Denominator | | Denominator | | Denominator |
| Skill Attainment Rate | 78.6 | 198 | 87.4 | 118 | 64.4 | 145 |
| | | 252 | | 135 | | 225 |
| Diploma or Equivalent Rate | 50 | 19 | 77.3 | 17 | 55.1 | 38 |
| | | 38 | | 22 | | 69 |
| Retention Rate | 75.5 | 37 | 76.5 | 13 | 68.4 | 67 |
| | | 49 | | 17 | | 98 |

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Table L - Other Reported Information

| Program | 12 Mo. Employment Retention Rate | Numerator | 12 Mo. Earnings Change/Repla cement | Numerator | Placements Non- traditional | Numerator | Wages Un- subsidized | Numerator | Un- subsidized Related Training | Numerator |
|-------------------------------|--|-------------|--|-------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|--|-------------|
| | | Denominator | | Denominator | | Denominator | | Denominator | | Denominator |
| Adults | 89.1 | 967 | 6585 | 6071634 | 1.4 | 10 | 5738 | 3505637 | 70.8 | 305 |
| | | 1085 | | 922 | | 694 | | 611 | | 431 |
| Dislocated Workers | 94.6 | 487 | 116.4 | 5546393 | 2.1 | 8 | 6016 | 2027529 | 61.5 | 211 |
| | | 515 | | 4766890 | | 390 | | 337 | | 343 |
| Older Youth | 80.8 | 135 | 3159 | 448529 | 0 | 0 | 2738 | 257384 | | |
| | | 167 | | 142 | | 108 | | 94 | | |

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Table M - Participation Levels

| Program | Total Participants | Total Exiters |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| Adults | 2567 | 1042 |
| Dislocated Workers | 634 | 377 |
| Older Youth | 399 | 189 |
| Younger Youth | 2891 | 1037 |

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Table N - Cost of Program Activities

| Program Activity | Total Federal Spending |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Local Adults | \$7,596,098 |
| Local Dislocated Workers | \$4,811,299 |
| Local Youth | \$6,629,890 |
| Rapid Response | \$1,336,906 |
| Statewide Required Activities | \$386,099 |
| Statewide Allowed Activities | Description |
| | AESD Admin \$1,381,877 |
| | AWIB support \$693,231 |
| | Conferences \$71,305 |
| | Grant Writing \$12,319 |
| | Incumbent Worker \$161,335 |
| | Public Information \$12,205 |
| | Youth Algebra Software \$1,095,563 |
| | Total of All Federal Spending Above \$24,188,127 |

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Table O - Central
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| Performance Items | Program Group | Negotiated | Actual | Numerator Denominator |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|------------|--------|--------------------------|
| Total Participants | Adults | | 129 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 137 | |
| | Older Youth | | 23 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 434 | |
| Total Exitors | Adults | | 56 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 75 | |
| | Older Youth | | 11 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 137 | |
| Customer Satisfaction | Program Participants | 79 | 87.5 | |
| | Employers | 76 | 71.7 | |
| Entered Employment Rate | Adults | 86 | 86.2 | 25 29 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 93 | 93.5 | 72 77 |
| | Older Youth | 76 | 100 | 6 6 |
| Retention Rate | Adults | 90 | 92 | 46 50 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 97 | 94.9 | 93 98 |
| | Older Youth | 88 | 100 | 6 6 |
| | Younger Youth | 63 | 84.6 | 22 26 |
| Earnings Change/Replacement | Adults | 3800 | 7239 | 340253 47 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 100 | 111.2 | 1303609 1172387 |
| | Older Youth | 4300 | 3497 | 20981 6 |
| Credential/Diploma Rate | Adults | 66 | 72.3 | 34 47 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 74 | 79.5 | 58 73 |
| | Older Youth | 45 | 71.4 | 5 7 |
| | Younger Youth | 64 | 74.5 | 82 110 |
| Skill Attainment | Younger Youth | 83 | 83.2 | 193 232 |
| Other State Indicators of Performance | | | | |
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| Overall Status of Performance | | Not Met | Met | Exceeded |
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ETA Assigned #

| Performance Items | Program Group | Negotiated | Actual | Numerator Denominator |
|--|----------------------|------------|--------|--------------------------|
| Total Participants | Adults | | 155 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 60 | |
| | Older Youth | | 66 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 232 | |
| Total Exitors | Adults | | 110 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 39 | |
| | Older Youth | | 12 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 87 | |
| Customer Satisfaction | Program Participants | 79 | 87.5 | |
| | Employers | 76 | 72.4 | |
| Entered Employment Rate | Adults | 71 | 89 | 73 82 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 76 | 80.8 | 21 26 |
| | Older Youth | 69 | 66.7 | 6 9 |
| Retention Rate | Adults | 81 | 86.4 | 95 110 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 90 | 92.3 | 36 39 |
| | Older Youth | 81 | 82.6 | 19 23 |
| | Younger Youth | 63 | 63.1 | 53 84 |
| Earnings Change/Replacement | Adults | 3600 | 4989 | 508829 102 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 100 | 114.5 | 363839 317835 |
| | Older Youth | 3700 | 5527 | 127113 23 |
| Credential/Diploma Rate | Adults | 51 | 56.7 | 17 30 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 66 | 62.5 | 10 16 |
| | Older Youth | 45 | 45.5 | 5 11 |
| | Younger Youth | 64 | 48.8 | 20 41 |
| Skill Attainment | Younger Youth | 83 | 64.2 | 138 215 |
| Other State Indicators of Performance | | | | |
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| Overall Status of Performance | | Not Met | Met | Exceeded |
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Table O - City of Little Rock

ETA Assigned #

| Performance Items | Program Group | Negotiated | Actual | Numerator Denominator |
|--|----------------------|------------|--------|--------------------------|
| Total Participants | Adults | | 40 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 26 | |
| | Older Youth | | 14 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 105 | |
| Total Exitors | Adults | | 9 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 10 | |
| | Older Youth | | 23 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 53 | |
| Customer Satisfaction | Program Participants | 79 | 90.0 | |
| | Employers | 76 | 63.7 | |
| Entered Employment Rate | Adults | 90 | 75 | 6 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 91 | 83.3 | 8 |
| | Older Youth | 76 | 55.6 | 10 |
| Retention Rate | Adults | 91 | 100 | 15 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 99 | 100 | 6 |
| | Older Youth | 88 | 77.8 | 6 |
| | Younger Youth | 63 | 50 | 14 |
| Earnings Change/Replacement | Adults | 4100 | 9877 | 18 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 100 | 103.4 | 128399 |
| | Older Youth | 3700 | 1289 | 13 |
| Credential/Diploma Rate | Adults | 58 | 50 | 81907 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 66 | 33.3 | 79237 |
| | Older Youth | 45 | 14.3 | 23198 |
| | Younger Youth | 64 | 13.8 | 21 |
| Skill Attainment | Younger Youth | 83 | 97.7 | 4 |
| Other State Indicators of Performance | | | | |
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| Overall Status of Performance | | Not Met | Met | Exceeded |
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Table O - North Central

ETA Assigned #

| Performance Items | Program Group | Negotiated | Actual | Numerator Denominator |
|--|----------------------|------------|--------|--------------------------|
| Total Participants | Adults | | 307 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 37 | |
| | Older Youth | | 3 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 330 | |
| Total Exitors | Adults | | 100 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 13 | |
| | Older Youth | | 5 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 151 | |
| Customer Satisfaction | Program Participants | 79 | 85.9 | |
| | Employers | 76 | 76.7 | |
| Entered Employment Rate | Adults | 88 | 98.4 | 60 61 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 95 | 100 | 11 11 |
| | Older Youth | 77 | 100 | 4 4 |
| Retention Rate | Adults | 89 | 97.3 | 107 110 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 99 | 100 | 10 10 |
| | Older Youth | 84 | 100 | 5 5 |
| | Younger Youth | 63 | 95.8 | 114 119 |
| Earnings Change/Replacement | Adults | 3300 | 6956 | 632998 91 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 100 | 149.9 | 107426 71666 |
| | Older Youth | 3800 | 8123 | 32492 4 |
| Credential/Diploma Rate | Adults | 66 | 100 | 66 66 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 75 | 100 | 8 8 |
| | Older Youth | 45 | 83.3 | 5 6 |
| | Younger Youth | 64 | 99 | 102 103 |
| Skill Attainment | Younger Youth | 83 | 95.4 | 477 500 |
| Other State Indicators of Performance | | | | |
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| Overall Status of Performance | | Not Met | Met | Exceeded |
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Table O - Northeast

ETA Assigned #

| Performance Items | Program Group | Negotiated | Actual | Numerator Denominator |
|--|----------------------|------------|--------|--------------------------|
| Total Participants | Adults | | 316 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 67 | |
| | Older Youth | | 99 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 581 | |
| Total Exitors | Adults | | 161 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 40 | |
| | Older Youth | | 66 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 255 | |
| Customer Satisfaction | Program Participants | 79 | 87.3 | |
| | Employers | 76 | 69.7 | |
| Entered Employment Rate | Adults | 87 | 91.4 | 138 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 88 | 94.6 | 151 |
| | Older Youth | 83 | 90.2 | 70 |
| Retention Rate | Adults | 90 | 97.8 | 74 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 99 | 98.8 | 37 |
| | Older Youth | 91 | 94.1 | 41 |
| | Younger Youth | 63 | 83.1 | 222 |
| Earnings Change/Replacement | Adults | 4100 | 10195 | 227 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 100 | 129 | 83 |
| | Older Youth | 4300 | 2494 | 84 |
| Credential/Diploma Rate | Adults | 66 | 77.5 | 32 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 66 | 77 | 34 |
| | Older Youth | 45 | 73.6 | 49 |
| | Younger Youth | 64 | 78.7 | 59 |
| Skill Attainment | Younger Youth | 83 | 92.1 | 75 |
| Other State Indicators of Performance | | | | |
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| Overall Status of Performance | | Not Met | Met | Exceeded |
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Table O - Northwest

ETA Assigned #

| Performance Items | Program Group | Negotiated | Actual | Numerator Denominator |
|--|----------------------|------------|--------|--------------------------|
| Total Participants | Adults | | 252 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 104 | |
| | Older Youth | | 44 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 245 | |
| Total Exitors | Adults | | 141 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 45 | |
| | Older Youth | | 27 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 66 | |
| Customer Satisfaction | Program Participants | 79 | 82.4 | |
| | Employers | 76 | 69.0 | |
| Entered Employment Rate | Adults | 91 | 94.9 | 186 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 90 | 88.7 | 47 |
| | Older Youth | 83 | 94.7 | 53 |
| Retention Rate | Adults | 92 | 94.7 | 19 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 99 | 100 | 234 |
| | Older Youth | 85 | 88.9 | 40 |
| | Younger Youth | 63 | 85 | 40 |
| Earnings Change/Replacement | Adults | 4100 | 8089 | 247 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 100 | 150.4 | 40 |
| | Older Youth | 3800 | 4683 | 40 |
| Credential/Diploma Rate | Adults | 62 | 65.8 | 1884848 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 75 | 80.6 | 233 |
| | Older Youth | 45 | 70 | 449859 |
| | Younger Youth | 64 | 90.9 | 299043 |
| Skill Attainment | Younger Youth | 83 | 89.8 | 79611 |
| Other State Indicators of Performance | | | | 17 |
| | | | | 25 |
| | | | | 38 |
| | | | | 25 |
| | | | | 31 |
| | | | | 14 |
| | | | | 20 |
| | | | | 20 |
| | | | | 22 |
| | | | | 230 |
| | | | | 256 |
| Overall Status of Performance | | Not Met | Met | Exceeded |
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Table O - Southeast

ETA Assigned #

| Performance Items | Program Group | Negotiated | Actual | Numerator Denominator |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|------------|--------|--------------------------|
| Total Participants | Adults | | 922 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 99 | |
| | Older Youth | | 63 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 624 | |
| Total Exitors | Adults | | 289 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 55 | |
| | Older Youth | | 12 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 119 | |
| Customer Satisfaction | Program Participants | 79 | 88.6 | |
| | Employers | 76 | 72.9 | |
| Entered Employment Rate | Adults | 76 | 80.5 | 103 128 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 90 | 94.7 | 36 38 |
| | Older Youth | 73 | 77.8 | 7 9 |
| Retention Rate | Adults | 88 | 88.9 | 40 45 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 97 | 100 | 5 5 |
| | Older Youth | 77 | 100 | 3 3 |
| | Younger Youth | 63 | 85.7 | 6 7 |
| Earnings Change/Replacement | Adults | 3300 | 7436 | 319737 43 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 100 | 72 | 48087 66791 |
| | Older Youth | 3300 | 11068 | 22135 2 |
| Credential/Diploma Rate | Adults | 51 | 67.7 | 132 195 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 68 | 76.3 | 29 38 |
| | Older Youth | 45 | 50 | 5 10 |
| | Younger Youth | 55 | 79.8 | 75 94 |
| Skill Attainment | Younger Youth | 83 | 75.3 | 414 550 |
| Other State Indicators of Performance | | | | |
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| Overall Status of Performance | | Not Met | Met | Exceeded |
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Table O - Southwest

ETA Assigned #

| Performance Items | Program Group | Negotiated | Actual | Numerator Denominator |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|------------|--------|--------------------------|
| Total Participants | Adults | | 229 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 35 | |
| | Older Youth | | 27 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 216 | |
| Total Exitors | Adults | | 86 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 49 | |
| | Older Youth | | 15 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 84 | |
| Customer Satisfaction | Program Participants | 79 | 85.1 | |
| | Employers | 76 | 77.2 | |
| Entered Employment Rate | Adults | 76 | 96.7 | 58 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 87 | 86.2 | 60 |
| | Older Youth | 76 | 84.6 | 56 |
| Retention Rate | Adults | 88 | 89.8 | 65 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 95 | 99.1 | 11 |
| | Older Youth | 84 | 100 | 13 |
| | Younger Youth | 61 | 83.2 | 97 |
| Earnings Change/Replacement | Adults | 3100 | 8041 | 108 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 100 | 85.8 | 115 |
| | Older Youth | 3800 | 8186 | 116 |
| Credential/Diploma Rate | Adults | 66 | 89.9 | 6 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 66 | 91.8 | 79 |
| | Older Youth | 45 | 87.5 | 45 |
| | Younger Youth | 61 | 82.4 | 49 |
| Skill Attainment | Younger Youth | 79 | 80.7 | 14 |
| Other State Indicators of Performance | | | | 196 |
| | | | | 1820653 |
| | | | | 49113 |
| | | | | 6 |
| | | | | 71 |
| | | | | 79 |
| | | | | 45 |
| | | | | 49 |
| | | | | 14 |
| | | | | 16 |
| | | | | 56 |
| | | | | 68 |
| | | | | 243 |
| Overall Status of Performance | | Not Met | Met | Exceeded |
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Table O - West Central

ETA Assigned #

| Performance Items | Program Group | Negotiated | Actual | Numerator Denominator |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|------------|--------|--------------------------|
| Total Participants | Adults | | 121 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 38 | |
| | Older Youth | | 47 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 61 | |
| Total Exiters | Adults | | 50 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 35 | |
| | Older Youth | | 8 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 58 | |
| Customer Satisfaction | Program Participants | 79 | 87.5 | |
| | Employers | 76 | 71.5 | |
| Entered Employment Rate | Adults | 84 | 80.8 | 21 26 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 93 | 95.3 | 41 43 |
| | Older Youth | 76 | 50 | 2 4 |
| Retention Rate | Adults | 90 | 100 | 47 47 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 95 | 93.5 | 43 46 |
| | Older Youth | 84 | 83.3 | 5 6 |
| | Younger Youth | 63 | 64.5 | 20 31 |
| Earnings Change/Replacement | Adults | 4000 | 9780 | 410771 42 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 100 | 108.5 | 357975 329887 |
| | Older Youth | 3800 | 5518 | 27588 5 |
| Credential/Diploma Rate | Adults | 66 | 69.6 | 32 46 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 75 | 74.4 | 32 43 |
| | Older Youth | 45 | 50 | 3 6 |
| | Younger Youth | 64 | 81.8 | 18 22 |
| Skill Attainment | Younger Youth | 83 | 96.7 | 88 91 |
| Other State Indicators of Performance | | | | |
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| | | | | |
| Overall Status of Performance | | Not Met | Met | Exceeded |
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Table O - Western

ETA Assigned #

| Performance Items | Program Group | Negotiated | Actual | Numerator Denominator |
|---|----------------------|------------|--------|--------------------------|
| Total Participants | Adults | | 96 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 31 | |
| | Older Youth | | 13 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 63 | |
| Total Exitors | Adults | | 40 | |
| | Dislocated Workers | | 16 | |
| | Older Youth | | 10 | |
| | Younger Youth | | 27 | |
| Customer Satisfaction | Program Participants | 79 | 92.4 | |
| | Employers | 76 | 65.4 | |
| Entered Employment Rate Retention Rate | Adults | 78 | 100 | 24 24 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 90 | 100 | 26 26 |
| | Older Youth | 83 | 100 | 7 7 |
| | Adults | 88 | 96.4 | 54 56 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 99 | 100 | 31 31 |
| | Older Youth | 81 | 96 | 24 25 |
| | Younger Youth | 63 | 91.3 | 21 23 |
| Earnings Change/Replacement | Adults | 3800 | 6244 | 343430 55 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 100 | 145.8 | 435574 298712 |
| | Older Youth | 3700 | 6141 | 153525 25 |
| Credential/Diploma Rate | Adults | 63 | 83.3 | 35 42 |
| | Dislocated Workers | 68 | 92.3 | 24 26 |
| | Older Youth | 45 | 91.7 | 11 12 |
| | Younger Youth | 64 | 84.6 | 11 13 |
| Skill Attainment | Younger Youth | 83 | 90.3 | 56 62 |
| Other State Indicators of Performance | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| Overall Status of Performance | | Not Met | Met | Exceeded |
| | | 1 | | 16 |