

NATIONAL EMERGENCY GRANTS (NEGs)

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PERFORMANCE GOALS

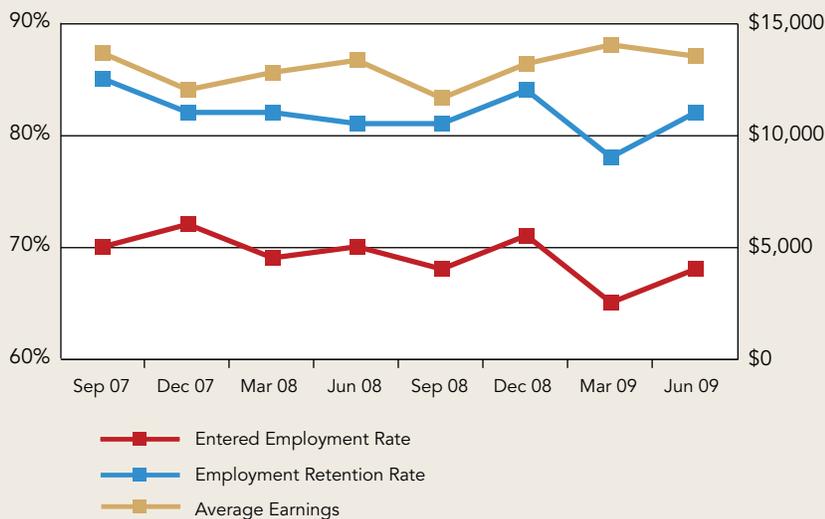
Performance Measure	Four Quarters Ending 6/30/08 ¹	Four Quarters Ending 6/30/09 ¹
Entered Employment	70.6%	69.8%
Employment Retention	82.0%	83.5%
Average Earnings	\$12,316	\$13,313

¹ Performance data are based on cumulative four quarter results.

ANALYSIS

- The Entered Employment Rate for PY 2008 exceeded the target at 69.8 percent.
- The Retention Rate, at 83.5 percent, exceeded the PY 2008 target and the year-end results for PY 2007.
- The Six-Month Average Earnings, at \$13,313, exceeded the PY 2008 target as well as the performance for last year.
- 40,747 individuals participated in National Emergency Grant services during the fourth quarter of PY 2008, a 32 percent increase in participation levels from the previous quarter.

PERFORMANCE PROGRESS – PAST EIGHT QUARTERS



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

National Emergency Grants (NEGs) are intended to temporarily expand the service capacity of WIA training and employment programs at the state and local levels by providing funding assistance in response to large, unexpected economic events which cause significant job losses. Such events include business closures, mass layoffs, realignment and closure of military installations, and certain natural disasters declared eligible for public assistance by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) provided additional resources for services to dislocated workers through NEGs.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS/INNOVATIONS

- ETA issued Training and Employment Guidance Letter 19-08, *National Emergency Grants Funded with American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 Resources*, which provided guidance on NEGs and funds made available for NEGs under ARRA.
- The Office of National Response engaged in a number of outreach activities during the quarter, including hosting a webinar for nearly 500 participants across the country on the availability of Recovery Act-funded NEGs. In addition, presentations were provided to the workforce system during the 2009 Recovery and Reemployment Forums in Boston, Baltimore, Atlanta, and San Francisco.
- Seventeen new NEGs were awarded in the fourth quarter of PY 2008; 95 were awarded in all of PY 2008.
 - Twelve of the NEGs awarded this quarter were funded with resources made available under the ARRA; sixteen total for all of PY 2008.
- Eight funding increments were provided to previously awarded grants during the quarter; 20 total for all of PY 2008.
- Approximately 5,574 workers will be served through NEGs awarded during the fourth quarter of PY 2008; approximately 54,875 workers will be served by NEGs awarded in PY 2008.