

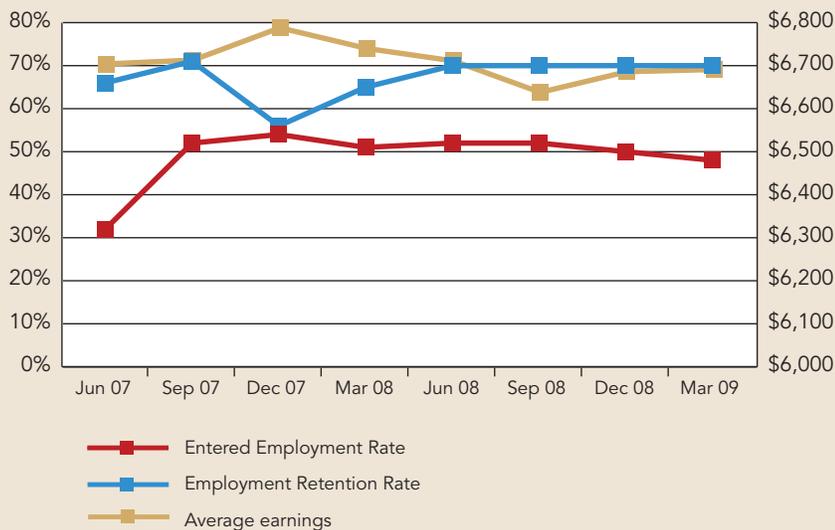
SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Program website: <http://www.doleta.gov/seniors>

PERFORMANCE GOALS

Performance Measure	GPRA Target for PY 2008	Quarter Ending 3/31/08	Quarter Ending 3/31/09
Entered Employment	49.2%	51%	48%
Retained Employment	69.1%	65%	70%
Average Earnings	\$6,360	\$6,740	\$6,691

PERFORMANCE PROGRESS – PAST EIGHT QUARTERS



ANALYSIS

- The program's Entered Employment rate decreased by three percentage points, measuring 48.3 percent, as compared to the same quarter data one year ago.
- The Employment Retention rate increased considerably compared to last year, measuring 70 percent, and remains higher than the revised GPRA goal for PY 2008.
- The Average Earnings were \$6,691, \$49 lower than the same quarter data one year ago, but remains in line with recent trends.
- Additional SCSEP Measures:
 - SCSEP Service Level:
 - PY 2008 Goal: 162 percent,
 - Year To Date (YTD) 145 percent
 - SCSEP Community Service Rate
 - PY 2008 Goal: 77 percent,
 - YTD 82 percent
 - SCSEP Service to Most-In-Need:
 - PY 2008 Goal: 2.65 percent,
 - Last four quarters, 2.54 percent¹

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Originally authorized by the Older Americans Act of 1965, the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) is designed to foster individual economic self-sufficiency and promote useful opportunities in community service employment for unemployed low-income persons (particularly persons who have poor employment prospects) who are age 55 or older, and to increase the number of persons who may enjoy the benefits of unsubsidized employment in both the public and private sectors.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS/INNOVATIONS

The SCSEP has begun to implement data validation requirements for program eligibility and performance elements that are reported through the SCSEP Performance and Results QPR (SPARQ) reporting system. These data validation efforts will bolster performance accountability by improving both accuracy and reliability.

The SCSEP received \$120 million in additional funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009. To date, SCSEP grantees have enrolled over 5,600 persons under the SCSEP Recovery Act grant.

¹ Service to Most-In-Need is the average number of barriers per participant. This indicator includes those who are severely disabled, age 75 or older, with very limited employment prospects.