

**Workforce Investment Board**  
**Dept of Workforce Investment Large Conference Room**  
**1880 W. Wardrobe Ave**  
**Thursday, May 8, 2008, 3:00-5:00 p.m.**  
**Meeting Agenda**



<http://web.co.merced.ca.us/wi/wib/wib.html>

1. Call to Order/Roll Call.....
2. Approval of Agenda .....
3. Approval of March 13, 2008 Minutes.....
4. Public Opportunity to Speak.....
5. Consent Agenda .....
- a. Merced PLATO Lab – Merced Adult School..... Alfredo Mendoza
- b. Los Baños PLATO Lab – Merced College..... Alfredo Mendoza
- c. Memorandum of Understanding Amendment with Dept of Rehabilitation ..... Alfredo Mendoza
- d. One-Stop Certification..... Brian Cutler
- e. Youth Program Provider Selection..... Rennise Ferrario
- f. Workforce Investment Board Membership – Ms. Debra Glass..... Alfredo Mendoza
- g. Workforce Investment Board Membership – Ms. Loretta Schlosser ..... Alfredo Mendoza
6. Action Agenda .....
- a. Workforce Investment Board Election ..... Brian Cutler
- b. Amendment to In-School Youth Contract ..... Alfredo Mendoza
- c. Amendment to Out-of-School Youth Contract..... Alfredo Mendoza
7. Presentations .....
- a. Monitoring Process ..... Brian Cutler
- b. Washington, DC Trip..... Don Bergman/Andrea Baker/Robert Harmon
- c. Recognition of Outgoing Members ..... Robert Harmon
8. Member/Committee Reports .....
- a. P-16 Council ..... Lee Andersen
- b. Ad Hoc Economic Development Committee ..... Albert Montejano
- c. BEAM Committee ..... Carol Greenberg
9. Information .....
- a. Workforce Investment Act Budget Rescission..... Andrea Baker
- b. Regional Innovation Grant (RIG)..... Brian Cutler
- c. Advocacy ..... Brian Cutler
- d. Letter from Dr. Ben Duran..... Brian Cutler
- e. WIB Resignation – Mr. Lyle Wright ..... Brian Cutler
- f. Fiscal Reports ..... Jackie Walther-Parnell
- g. Participant Report ..... Brian Cutler
- h. Labor Market Information ..... Brian Cutler
- i. Ad Hoc Committee Notes – Located on WIB Website (or faxed upon request)..... Brian Cutler

- 10. Director Comments .....(5 min)
- 11. Chair Comments .....(5 min)
- 12. Next Meeting – July 10, 2008.....
- 13. Adjourn .....



**WORKFORCE  
INVESTMENT BOARD**  
MERCED COUNTY

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**Meeting Minutes**

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**Members Present:**

Lee Andersen  
Bob Bittner  
Ben Duran  
John Fowler  
Henry Ildefonso  
Anne Newins  
Al Romero  
Lyle Wright

Andrea Baker  
Kathleen Cookham  
Rennise Ferrario  
Robert Harmon  
Joseph Lombardi  
Rick Osorio  
Vann (Mike) Smith

Don Bergman  
Edward Dietz  
Peter Fluetsch  
Darren Hughes  
Albert Montejano  
Alfonse Peterson  
Nancy Ugarte

**Members Absent:**

Ernie Flores  
David Long  
Carole Roberds  
Thomas Tsubota

Carol Greenberg  
Steve Newvine  
John Stewart

Garith Krause  
Terry Nichols  
Mike Sullivan

**Others Present:**

Robert Bradshaw  
Dee Knight  
Alfredo Mendoza  
Jackie Walther-Parnell

Brian Cutler  
Marilyn Kennedy  
Joanne Presnell

Eddie Harding  
Sandra Lemas  
Pedro Vargas

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1. Call to Order/Roll Call – The Chair, Mr. Robert Harmon, called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m. Roll call was taken.
  2. Approval of Agenda – It was *M/S/C Fowler/Duran* to approve the agenda as published.
  3. Approval of Minutes – It was *M/S/C Bergman/Bittner* to approve the January 10, 2008 minutes.
  4. Public Opportunity to Speak – None.
  5. Consent Agenda: It was *M/S/C Smith/Dietz* to approve item a. of the Consent Agenda.
    - a. Community Action Partnership Memorandum of Understanding.
  6. Action Agenda:
    - a. Workforce Investment Board Membership – Brenda Callahan-Johnson: It was *M/S/C Duran/Wright* to approve the nomination, and forward to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) for approval.
      - b. Workforce Investment Board Members' Term Renewal: It was *M/S/C Bergman/Wright* to submit the renewal nominations to the BOS for approval.
        - c. STEM Grant – It was *M/S/C Andersen/Fowler* to support the submission of the STEM Grant application by the Dept of Workforce Investment in collaboration with the Stanislaus and San Joaquin Workforce Investment Areas.

**7. Presentations:**

a. One-Stop Client Automation – Scan Card: Ms. Marilyn Kennedy and Ms. Sandra Lemas gave a PowerPoint presentation on the inception of the Scan Card, and the progress of the new Scan Card system. This is a streamlined self-service system for all Worknet clients. The goals and accomplishments were also given and explained.

b. End of Year Report: Ms. Andrea Baker provided WIB members the PowerPoint presentation she would be giving the BOS on March 25, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. She asked members to give her feedback on the presentation to make sure it covers all aspects of the Workforce Investment Board's performance during Fiscal Year 06/07. All members were provided a copy of the report.

**8. Member Committee Reports:**

a. P-16 Council: Mr. Lee Andersen provided information on the four P-16 academic rigorous courses pared with Career and Technical Education courses that will qualify students for "A-G" college credits. Another five courses are being developed for the coming year. P-16 is upgrading the academic content of some Regional Occupational Program classes so they will qualify for "A-G" status. P-16 will also start tracking students' enrollment in math courses beginning in 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

b. Ad Hoc Economic Development Committee: Mr. Albert Montejano provided information the committee received from the Biotech PowerPoint presentation given by Mr. Douglas Kain, professor of the Biotech Program at Merced College. He noted the committee would be looking at the renewal energy jobs that will be coming to Merced County, and having presentations from PG&E, Merced Irrigation District and UC Merced. The committee will explore the possibility of updating the industry clusters, and looking at the Regional Occupational Program Career & Technical Education to see if the program is fitting the needs of the community.

c. BEAM Committee: Mr. Andersen noted the goal of BEAM is to get Merced County business, education and government leaders together to learn about childcare and early childhood education. Also, to identify ways the business community can support the improvement, expansion of availability, and the quality of these services. BEAM has received several presentations on issues that describe and affect the population of these 0-5 year-old children. BEAM is about two-thirds through the grant period. A number of businesses and individuals have volunteered to "adopt a preschool", and do a "principal for a day" program. They are trying to get legislation passed that will enable BEAM to gather information from those in the Merced County jail system regarding their experience or lack of experience in preschool.

**9. Information Agenda:**

- a. Workforce Investment Act Budget Rescission
- b. California Integrated Service Delivery
- c. Recertification Committee
- d. WIB Nomination Committee
- e. Joint Board of Supervisors/Workforce Investment Board Meeting-March 25, 2008
- f. Fiscal Reports
- g. Participant Reports
- h. Labor Market Information

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- 10.** Director's Comments: Ms. Baker noted the Department, Merced County Office of Education and Probation received some wonderful press in the Merced Sun-Star regarding the \$400,000 CalGRIP grant that will be used to help 25 young people transition out of the Bear Creek Academy.
- 11.** Chair Comments: The Chair thanked everyone for their participation and attending the meeting.
- 12.** Next Meeting – May 8, 2008, Dept of Workforce Investment, 1880 W, Wardrobe Ave, Merced.
- 13.** Adjourn - Meeting was adjourned 4:25 p.m.

**TO: Workforce Investment Board**

**DATE: 5/08/08**

**FROM: Executive Committee**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: Merced PLATO Lab Contract**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): Ratify Executive Committee's action to approve contract with Merced Adult School to provide PLATO basic skills instruction at the Worknet Merced Employment Resource Center.**

**DISCUSSION: As a result of a Request for Proposal, Merced Adult School was awarded a contract to provide PLATO Lab services for three (3) hours per day, 5 days a week, at the Worknet Merced Employment Resource Center. The present contract will run from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, at a total contract cost not to exceed \$27,072.**

**The contract is being renewed for the period July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, at a cost not to exceed \$27,072. The Executive Committee approved the new contract on April 7, 2008.**

**ATTACHMENT (S): N/A**

**TO: Workforce Investment Board**

**DATE: 5/08/08**

**FROM: Executive Committee**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: Los Banos PLATO Lab Contract**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): Ratify Executive Committee's action to approve contract with Merced College to provide PLATO basic skills instruction at the Los Banos Worknet Employment Resource Center.**

**DISCUSSION: As a result of a Request for Proposal, Merced College was awarded a contract to provide PLATO Lab services for 51 weeks, 43 hours per week, at the Los Banos Worknet Employment Resource Center. The present contract will run from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, at a total contract cost not to exceed \$64,247.**

**The contract is being renewed for the period July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, at a cost not to exceed \$66,584. The Executive Committee approved the new contract on April 7, 2008.**

**ATTACHMENT(S): N/A**

**TO: Workforce Investment Board**

**DATE: 5/08/08**

**FROM: Executive Committee**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: One-Stop Partner Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – California State Department of Rehabilitation.**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): Ratify the Executive Committee’s decision to approve the One-Stop Partner MOU Amendment #6 between the Workforce Investment Board and California State Department of Rehabilitation, and forward recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.**

**DISCUSSION: Section 121 of the Workforce Investment Act requires that Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) be developed between Merced County Workforce Investment Board and the Partners of the One-Stop system. The MOU covers services to be provided through the One-Stop Delivery System. The MOU with California Department of Rehabilitation will expire June 30, 2008.**

**This amendment will extend the duration of the MOU to the “repeal of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998”, delete the Resource Sharing Agreement language that will be kept as a separate document, and update current information on file for the California State Department of Rehabilitation.**

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

**Dept of Rehabilitation MOU available at meeting.**

**TO: WIB**

**DATE: 5/08/08**

**FROM: Executive Committee**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: One-Stop Certification**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): Ratify Executive Committee’s May 5, 2008, approval of application for California Prospector Award One-Stop Certification under the California Awards for Performance Excellence (CAPE) for Merced Worknet.**

**DISCUSSION: In November 2003, in accordance with Section 117 of the Workforce Investment Act, the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) approved a two-year One-Stop Certification of the Merced Worknet Employment Resource Center. In November 2005, the WIB recertified the Merced Worknet Employment Resource Center for a three-year period ending November 2008. At the January 10, 2008 WIB meeting, the WIB approved assembling an ad hoc committee to determine the next one-stop recertification process.**

**The Ad Hoc Recertification Committee has reviewed several options for the process, and is recommending the Prospector Award One-Stop Certification under CAPE. Among the reasons for the recommendation are cost, staff and committee time, and the fact that the Prospector Award includes a comprehensive feedback report.**

**WIB costs are as follows:**

<b>CAPE Prospector Application fee .....</b>	<b>\$1,895</b>
<b>MaryAnn Pranke Training and Consulting, Inc</b>	
<b>for revising current application .....</b>	<b><u>\$1,500</u></b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,395</b>

**ATTACHMENT(S):  
California Prospector Award Detail**

## **Prospector Award - At a Glance**

<b>Timeline:</b>	Application received year-round.
<b>Intent to Apply:</b>	Due one month prior to application submission.
<b>Application Fee:</b>	\$1895
<b>Fee:</b>	K-12 Education -\$1,695
<b>Organizational Profile:</b>	Five pages.
<b>Criteria:</b>	California Awards for Performance Excellence™ criteria (based on National MBNQA).
<b>Criteria Response:</b>	Up to 25 pages.
<b>Recognition:</b>	Presentation of the Prospector Award™; at the annual California Awards for Performance Excellence conference.
<b>Award:</b>	The California Prospector Award™.
<b>Scoring:</b>	CAPE™ band only - No point score.
<b>Site Visit:</b>	No site visit required.
<b>Copies:</b>	Applicants must submit five copies of their application.
<b>Feedback:</b>	Comprehensive written feedback report at the item level by certified CAPE™ judges and examiner team.
<b>Options:</b>	Half-day executive briefing meeting with senior examiner (\$1500 per CAPE representative plus travel expenses).

**TO: Workforce Investment Board**

**DATE: 5/08/08**

**FROM: Executive Committee**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: Youth Programs Provider Selection for PY 2008/09**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): That the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) ratify the Executive Committee's decision (May 5, 2008) to accept Merced County Office of Education's (MCOE) proposal for the 2008/09 Youth Programs and forward recommendation to the Board of Supervisors for approval.**

**DISCUSSION: On December 3, 2008, the WIB's Executive Committee directed that a Request for Proposal (RFP) be issued for the 2008/09 Workforce Investment Act Youth Programs. That RFP was issued February 4, 2008, and closed March 20, 2008. On July 11, 2007, the Youth Council selected an Evaluation Committee to rate proposals to the RFP. That committee met with Admin Services/Support Services staff on April 3, 2008, and submitted evaluations for the In-School and Out-of-School Youth Programs for PY 2008/09. One youth program provider submitted proposals for both the In-School and Out-of-School Youth Programs.**

**If approved, MCOE will continue to serve participants in the Younger Youth Program at a cost not to exceed \$660,000, and continue to serve participants in the Out-of-School Youth Program at a cost not to exceed \$440,000, to include participants that are currently in follow-up.**

**The Board of Supervisors may sign the new agreement June 10th or 17th. The new programs will begin July 1, 2008.**

**ATTACHMENTS: N/A**

**TO: Workforce Investment Board**

**DATE: 5/08/08**

**FROM: Executive Committee**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: Workforce Investment Board Membership – Ms. Debra Glass, Merced Adult School**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): Accept the nomination of Ms. Debra Glass and forward to the Board of Supervisors for approval.**

**DISCUSSION: Section 117 of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) outlines criteria for membership on the local Workforce Investment Board (WIB). One of the requirements is that “representatives of local educational entities, including representatives of local educational agencies, local school boards, entities providing adult education and literacy activities, and postsecondary educational institutions” be part of the WIB composition (Sec. 117(2)(A)(ii)).**

**Ms. Carole Roberds, Merced Adult School, will be retiring and has nominated Ms. Debra Glass for membership on the WIB as an educational entity representative. Ms. Glass is currently the Vice Principal for Merced Adult School and will assume the duties of Principal on July 1, 2008.**

**ATTACHMENT(S):  
Application will be available at the meeting**

**TO: Workforce Investment Board**

**DATE: 5/08/08**

**FROM: Executive Committee**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: Workforce Investment Board Membership – Ms. Loretta Schlosser, Merced County Commerce, Aviation and Economic Development, CAED**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): Accept the nomination of Ms. Loretta Schlosser and forward to the Board of Supervisors for approval.**

**DISCUSSION: Section 117 (b)(2)(iv) of the Workforce Investment Act outlines criteria for membership on the local Workforce Investment Board (WIB). One of the membership requirements is to have “representatives of economic development agencies, including private sector economic development entities” be part of the WIB composition (Sec. 117(2)(A)(v)).**

**Ms. Loretta Schlosser was nominated by the Merced County Department of Commerce, Aviation and Economic Development (CAED) Director Mr. John Fowler for membership on the WIB as an Economic Development representative. Ms. Loretta Schlosser has been involved in the Business Education Alliance of Merced (BEAM), past president of the California Association of Enterprise Zones, numerous Chambers of Commerce and member of the California Association for Local Economic Development (CALED). Mr. John Fowler will be terming out of the Workforce Investment Board on June 30, 2008. Ms. Schlosser’s membership will be effective July 1, 2008 as a new member.**

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

**Application will be available at the meeting.**

**TO: Workforce Investment Board**

**DATE: 05/08/07**

**FROM: Nominating Committee**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: Workforce Investment Board (WIB) Election**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): The WIB elect a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and Second Vice Chairperson.**

**DISCUSSION: The WIB Bylaws state: “Officers shall be elected by the Board members each year at the last regular Board meeting of the operating year, which commences on July 1 and ends on June 30.... The terms of all officers shall be one (1) year. No person shall serve longer than two (2) terms in each position.”**

**The WIB Chairperson appointed a nominating committee consisting of Mr. John Fowler, Ms. Rennise Ferrario and Mr. Peter Fluetsch. The following individuals were nominated by the committee for the following positions:**

<b>WIB Chairperson</b>	<b>Albert Montejano</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairperson</b>	<b>Alfonse Peterson</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chairperson</b>	<b>Steve Newvine</b>

**The committee also recommends floor and write-in nominations if applicable. The following will be read aloud at the WIB meeting before the elections:**

*In the situation where there is only one nominee for each position, including those that come from the floor, any member in good standing can make the recommendation that the proposed slate of candidates can be affirmed by acclamation. If such a motion is made, seconded and receives unanimous approval, the voice acclamation can be substituted for the written ballot process.*

**ATTACHMENT(S): N/A**

**TO: Workforce Investment Board**

**DATE: 5/08/08**

**FROM: WIB Staff**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: Amendment to PY 2007/08 In-School Youth Contract**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): That the Workforce Investment Board approve the rescission of \$31,692 to the In-School Youth Program (Contract No. 2007158) and forward stated recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.**

**DISCUSSION: Congress enacted a nationwide rescission of \$250 million of Workforce Investment Act funding. The reduction in funding of 4.6798% applies to the Local Workforce Investment Area (LWIA), and is being applied at the same percentage to the youth programs. The total amount of the contract for the 2007/08 In-School Youth Program will be \$703,494. Once approved, this item will be placed on the June 17, 2008, Board of Supervisors agenda as Amendment 2 to the In-School Youth Contract.**

**ATTACHMENTS: N/A**

**TO: Workforce Investment Board**

**DATE: 5/08/08**

**FROM: WIB Staff**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: Amendment to PY 2007/08 Out-of-School Youth Contract**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): That the Workforce Investment Board approve the rescission of \$21,128 to the Out-of-School Youth Program (Contract No. 2007159), and forward stated recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.**

**DISCUSSION: Congress enacted a nationwide rescission of \$250 million of Workforce Investment Act funding. The reduction in funding of 4.6798% applies to the Local Workforce Investment Area (LWIA) and is being applied at the same percentage to the youth programs. The total amount of the contract for the 2007/08 Out-of-School Youth Program will be \$466,458. Once approved, this item will be placed on the June 17, 2008, Board of Supervisors agenda as Amendment 2 to the Out-of-School Youth Contract**

**ATTACHMENTS: N/A**

**TO: Workforce Investment Board**

**DATE: 05/08/08**

**FROM: WIB Staff**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: Rescission Information and 2008/09 Funding**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S):** None. Information Only.

**DISCUSSION:**

**Rescissions:** Congress enacted a rescission of \$250 million of Workforce Investment Act (WIA) funding based on Dept of Labor’s (DOL) inaccurate depiction of unspent money in the system. In addition, Congress enacted two across-the-board rescissions of 1% and 1.747%, which are applied to different fiscal years. These two rescissions apply to only Adult and Dislocated Worker Funds. We have now received notice of Merced County’s share of all three rescissions as shown in the table below:

	<b>Rescission #1 1% of PY 06/07 Funds</b>	<b>Rescission #2 1.747% of PY 07/08 Funds</b>	<b>Rescission #3 \$250 Million National Rescission</b>	<b>Total Rescission Amounts</b>
<b>Adult</b>	\$ 11,679	\$ 21,162	\$ 29,596	\$ 62,437
<b>Dislocated Worker</b>	\$ 9,695	\$ 13,692	\$ 24,263	\$ 47,650
<b>Youth</b>			\$ 66,992	\$ 66,992
<b>Total</b>	\$ 21,374	\$ 34,854	\$ 120,851	\$ 177,079

**2008-09 WIA Allotment:** The State of California Employment Development Department has announced the release of WIA funds to the Local Workforce Investment Areas for the Adult, Youth and Dislocated Worker funding streams for Program Year 2008/09. These allocations are based on the allotments issued by the US Department of Labor to the states. The new allocations and the comparison to current year allocations are:

	<b>PY 08/09 Allocation</b>	<b>PY 07/08 Allocation</b>	<b>Increased Allocation</b>
<b>Adult</b>	\$ 1,648,103	\$ 1,470,295	\$ 177,808
<b>Dislocated Worker</b>	\$ 1,380,143	\$ 1,099,664	\$ 280,479
<b>Youth</b>	\$ 1,760,318	\$ 1,590,556	\$ 169,762
<b>Total</b>	\$ 4,788,564	\$ 4,160,515	\$ 628,049

**TO: Workforce Investment Board**

**DATE: 5/08/08**

**FROM: WIB Staff**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: Regional Innovation Grant (RIG)**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): Information only.**

**DISCUSSION:** The Merced County Local Workforce Investment Area (LWIA), in partnership with the LWIAs of San Joaquin and Stanislaus Counties, under the name of Northern San Joaquin Valley Biotech Initiative, have been awarded a \$238,434 Department of Labor (DOL) grant. The grant will be used to connect education, economic development, and workforce development in order to develop career pathways to prepare individuals for careers in all levels of the biotech industry. Under the grant, a consultant will be hired to conduct a thorough analysis of the existing state of biotechnology activity in the region and the potential for future growth.

Developing a biotechnology cluster in the region offers a means of methodically transforming the economy while leveraging the existing resource base such as the laboratories already operating here in support of food processing, which have also developed a baseline of training programs with local institutions. Other factors supporting this transition include the region's proximity to major biotech companies in the San Francisco Bay Area, and a new University of California campus in Merced.

The grant will run from April 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009.

**ATTACHMENT(S): N/A**

**TO: WIB**

**DATE: 5/08/08**

**FROM: WIB Staff**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: Advocacy**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): Information only.**

**DISCUSSION: Letters were sent to Senators Diane Feinstein and Barbara Boxer on April 8, 2008, thanking them for signing on to the Cantwell/Collins dear colleague letter regarding the Workforce Investment Act that had been submitted to the Labor – HHS Appropriations Subcommittee. The letter asked to reject the Administration’s proposed cuts and restore funding levels back to current levels.**

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

**One letter to Senator Diane Feinstein**

**One letter to Senator Barbara Boxer**



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April 8, 2008

The Honorable Diane Feinstein  
331 Hart Senate Office Bldg  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

Thank you for signing on to the Cantwell/Collins dear colleague letter regarding the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) that has been submitted to the Labor-HHS Appropriations subcommittee. The rejection of the Administration's proposed finding cuts, and a restoration of funding levels back to current levels at a minimum are critical.

Your support of the Nation's workforce is the keystone for the health of our economy. Approximately 80% of the workforce in the next 20 years is already working. These workers must continue to learn new skills in order that the Nation's productivity continues, and we can compete globally. Additionally, your support of the Workforce System is appreciated by the hundreds of private sector business volunteers who serve on local Workforce Investment Boards. Like you, their goal is to help their citizens and businesses create and sustain a healthy economy. The WIA is the primary tool that leverages resources in every community to achieve that goal.

Sincerely,

Andrea T. Baker, Director  
Workforce Investment Board



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Sincerely,

Andrea T. Baker, Director  
Workforce Investment Board

**TO: Workforce Investment Board**

**DATE: 05/08/08**

**FROM: WIB Staff**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: Letter from Dr. Ben Duran to the Merced County Workforce  
Investment Board**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): For Information Only**

**DISCUSSION: On April 21, 2008, the Dept of Workforce Investment received a letter from Dr. Ben Duran thanking the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) for an enjoyable experience as his last term with the WIB will be coming to an end July 1, 2008.**

**Dr. Duran has had a long relationship with Workforce Investment. He was a member of the Private Industry Council under the Job Training Partnership Act. Dr. Duran has been a member of the current WIB, since its inception in the year 2000. He has been serving on the Youth Council and been an influential member of the WIB for the past 8 years. Dr. Duran has been largely responsible for Worknet's successful relationship over the years with Merced College.**

**ATTACHMENT(S):  
Letter**

**MERCED COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

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Superintendent/President  
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April 21, 2008

Bob Harmon  
Chair  
Workforce Investment Board  
1880 Wardrobe Avenue  
Merced, CA 95341-6407

Dear Bob:

I have served as a member of the Workforce Investment Board, and prior to that the Private Industry Council, for many years. The May WIB meeting is the final meeting for me as I will term out as a representative for Merced College. Unfortunately, I will be unable to join you for that meeting.

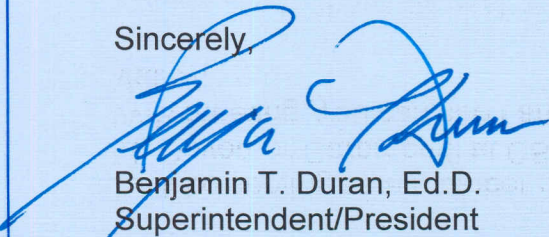
I will be serving as a member of a round table discussion on workforce preparation for Lt. Governor Garamendi at CSU, Stanislaus. Even though I will not be present at the WIB meeting, you can see I am still working on increasing the workforce in the Central Valley.

I would like to thank all past and present Board members for making my stay on WIB an enjoyable one. The WIB does valuable work for Merced County and I anticipate the good work will continue after my tenure comes to an end.

We at Merced College are in the process of hiring a new Vice President of Instruction and hope to have the individual begin employment on July 1, 2008. At that time, I will submit her name as the representative for Merced College and ask that the application be expedited so we continue to have representation on WIB.

Thank you again to you and all the board members of WIB for an enjoyable experience serving as the Merced College representative.

Sincerely,



Benjamin T. Duran, Ed.D.  
Superintendent/President

Cc: Andrea Baker, Director, Merced County Workforce Development

**TO: Workforce Investment Board**

**DATE: 05/08/08**

**FROM: WIB Staff**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: Resignation of Mr. Lyle Wright from the Merced County Workforce Investment Board**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): For Information Only**

**DISCUSSION: On April 23, 2008, the Dept of Workforce Investment received written notification from Mr. Lyle Wright of his resignation from the Workforce Investment Board (WIB). His resignation is effective April 15, 2008.**

**Mr. Wright has been a member of the WIB since July of 2007. He was a member of the WIB Economic Development Ad Hoc Committee.**

**ATTACHMENT(S): None**

**TO: Workforce Investment Board**

**DATE: 05/08/08**

**FROM: WIB Staff**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: WIA Fiscal Report**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S):** None. Information Only.

**DISCUSSION:** Attached is the Fiscal Report for Fiscal Year 2007/08 covering July 1, 2007 through March 30, 2008. This report shows all WIA funds available for Fiscal Year 2007/08, accrued expenditures through March, 2008, and obligations as of February 29, 2008.

Staff will be present at the meeting to answer questions.

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

FY 2007/08 WIA Fiscal Report

**MERCED COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE INVESTMENT  
FISCAL REPORT FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE  
For Fiscal Year 2007/2008  
July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008  
Through 03/31/08**

Target 75.00%

AVAILABLE FUNDS			BUDGET				ACTUAL			OBLIGATIONS			COMMITTED - AVAILABLE			
	Carryover Funds From 06/07	Appropriation FY 07/08	Planned for New Funds Per Estimated Plan Mod 7/1/07 to 6/30/08	Budget for Available Funds	Budget Adjustments	Revised Budget	Accrued Expense	Available	Percent Expended to Date	Total Obligated Funds	Available after Obligations	Percent Spent + Obligated	Total Committed Funds	Available after Committed	Pct Spent + Obligated + Committed	
							FY to Date									
<b>ADULT</b>			Core A	\$ 313,771	\$ 364,583	\$ (14,804)	\$ 349,779	\$ 267,634	\$ 82,145	76.52%	\$ 7,075	\$ 75,069	78.54%	\$ 75,069	\$ -	100.00%
07/08 Allocation		\$ 1,470,295	Core B	\$ 433,231	\$ 503,389	\$ (20,442)	\$ 482,947	\$ 383,780	\$ 99,167	79.47%	\$ 10,776	\$ 88,392	81.70%	\$ 88,392	\$ -	100.00%
			Intensive	\$ 117,021	\$ 135,972	\$ (5,520)	\$ 130,451	\$ 83,737	\$ 46,714	64.19%	\$ 2,366	\$ 44,348	66.00%	\$ 44,348	\$ -	100.00%
PY Cash Balances 6/30/07	\$ 273,513		Training	\$ 459,243	\$ 533,613	\$ (14,602)	\$ 519,011	\$ 197,408	\$ 321,603	38.04%	\$ 62,571	\$ 259,032	50.09%	\$ 259,032	\$ -	100.00%
	\$ 273,513	\$ 1,470,295	<b>Total</b>	\$ 1,323,266	\$ 1,537,557	\$ (55,369)	\$ 1,482,188	\$ 932,559	\$ 549,629	62.92%	\$ 82,788	\$ 466,841	68.50%	\$ 466,841	\$ -	100.00%
<b>DISPLACED WORKER</b>			Core A	\$ 351,873	\$ 424,327	\$ (11,298)	\$ 413,029	\$ 222,198	\$ 190,831	53.80%	\$ 5,561	\$ 185,270	55.14%	\$ 185,270	\$ -	100.00%
07/08 Allocation		\$ 1,099,664	Core B	\$ 318,255	\$ 383,787	\$ (15,601)	\$ 368,186	\$ 359,779	\$ 8,407	97.72%	\$ 8,407	\$ -	100.00%	\$ -	\$ -	100.00%
			Intensive	\$ 96,107	\$ 115,896	\$ (4,213)	\$ 111,683	\$ 57,984	\$ 53,699	51.92%	\$ 854	\$ 52,845	52.68%	\$ 52,845	\$ -	100.00%
PY Cash Balances 6/30/07	\$ 241,125		Training	\$ 223,463	\$ 269,476	\$ (16,187)	\$ 253,289	\$ 148,882	\$ 104,408	58.78%	\$ 17,031	\$ 87,376	65.50%	\$ 87,376	\$ -	100.00%
	\$ 241,125	\$ 1,099,664	<b>Total</b>	\$ 989,698	\$ 1,193,487	\$ (47,299)	\$ 1,146,188	\$ 788,843	\$ 357,345	68.82%	\$ 31,854	\$ 325,491	71.60%	\$ 325,491	\$ -	100.00%
<b>YOUTH</b>			In School	\$ 858,900	\$ 1,221,125	\$ (26,797)	\$ 1,194,328	\$ 570,244	\$ 624,084	47.75%	\$ 340,234	\$ 283,850	76.23%	\$ 283,850	\$ -	100.00%
07/08 Allocation		\$ 1,590,556	Out of School	\$ 572,601	\$ 814,084	\$ (40,195)	\$ 773,889	\$ 504,745	\$ 269,144	65.22%	\$ 138,075	\$ 131,069	83.06%	\$ 131,069	\$ -	100.00%
PY Cash Balances 6/30/07	\$ 737,863		<b>Total</b>	\$ 1,431,501	\$ 2,035,209	\$ (66,992)	\$ 1,968,217	\$ 1,074,989	\$ 893,228	54.62%	\$ 478,309	\$ 414,919	78.92%	\$ 414,919	\$ -	100.00%
	\$ 737,863	\$ 1,590,556														
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE</b>			<b>Total Admin</b>	\$ 416,050	\$ 646,762	\$ (7,419)	\$ 639,343	\$ 324,644	\$ 314,699	50.78%	\$ 7,743	\$ 306,956	51.99%	\$ 248,260	\$ 58,696	90.82%
<b>All Formula Grants</b>	\$ 1,252,501	\$ 4,160,515	<b>Total</b>	\$ 4,160,515	\$ 5,413,016	\$ (177,079)	\$ 5,235,937	\$ 3,121,035	\$ 2,114,902	59.61%	\$ 600,694	\$ 1,514,208	71.08%	\$ 1,455,511	\$ 58,696	98.88%
<b>RAPID RESPONSE/15%/25%</b>			Rapid Resp.	\$ 208,630	\$ 203,523		\$ 203,523	\$ 142,489	\$ 61,034	70.01%	\$ 4,904	\$ 56,130	72.42%	\$ 56,130	\$ -	100.00%
Formula Rapid Response (541)	\$ (5,107)	\$ 208,630	CalGRIP*	\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000		\$ 400,000	\$ 4,554	\$ 395,446	1.14%	\$ 474	\$ 394,972	1.26%	\$ 34,972	\$ 360,000	10.00%
CalGRIP*		\$ 400,000	CVOC/DWI Joint Project (537)	\$ -	\$ 30,578		\$ 30,578	\$ 30,578	\$ -	100.00%	\$ -	\$ -	100.00%	\$ -	\$ -	100.00%
CVOC/DWI Joint Project (537)	\$ 30,578		HCoY	\$ -	\$ 55,000		\$ 55,000	\$ 55,000	\$ -	100.00%	\$ -	\$ -	100.00%	\$ -	\$ -	100.00%
High Concentration of Youth (648)	\$ 55,000		<b>Total</b>	\$ 208,630	\$ 689,101	\$ -	\$ 689,101	\$ 232,621	\$ 456,480	33.76%	\$ 5,378	\$ 451,102	34.54%	\$ 91,102	\$ 360,000	47.76%
	\$ 80,471	\$ 608,630														
<b>INCENTIVE AWARDS</b>			Incentive	\$ -	\$ 22,656	\$ (22,656)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
07/08 Award (Amount TBD)																
PY Cash Balances 6/30/07	\$ 22,656															
Designated for RN Supportive Svcs								\$ 16,687	\$ 4,263	79.65%	\$ 4,263	\$ -	100.00%	\$ -	\$ -	
Other Incentive Costs								\$ 1,706	\$ -	100.00%	\$ -	\$ -	100.00%	\$ -	\$ -	
	\$ 22,656	\$ -	<b>Total</b>	\$ -	\$ 22,656	\$ (22,656)	\$ 22,656	\$ 18,393	\$ 4,263	81.18%	\$ -	\$ -	100.00%	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>OTHER (DoL, Contract, etc.)</b>			LVN Project	\$ -	\$ 1,850,443		\$ 1,850,443	\$ 442,706	\$ 1,407,737	23.92%	\$ 998,762	\$ 408,975	77.90%	\$ 408,975	\$ -	100.00%
Federal LVN Grant*	\$ 1,850,443		San Joaquin	\$ -	\$ 90,000		\$ 90,000	\$ 2,760	\$ 87,240	3.07%	\$ 4,080	\$ 83,160	7.60%	\$ -	\$ 83,160	7.60%
San Joaquin Manufacturing Contract*	\$ 90,000		Madera	\$ -	\$ 88,163		\$ 88,163	\$ 88,163	\$ -	100.00%	\$ -	\$ -	100.00%	\$ -	\$ -	
Madera Dislocated Worker Contract**	\$ 88,163			\$ 99,137	\$ 99,137		\$ 99,137	\$ 44,291	\$ 54,846	44.68%	\$ 547	\$ 54,299	45.23%	\$ 54,299	\$ -	
CCWC (WorkKeys) Contract*	\$ 99,137	\$ 99,137		\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000		\$ 10,000	\$ 5,290	\$ 4,710	52.90%	\$ 167	\$ 4,543	54.57%	\$ -	\$ 4,543	
MC Career Advancement Academy	\$ 10,000		<b>Total</b>	\$ 109,137	\$ 2,137,743	\$ -	\$ 2,137,743	\$ 583,210	\$ 1,554,534	27.28%	\$ 1,003,557	\$ 550,977	74.23%	\$ 463,274	\$ 87,703	
	\$ 2,028,606	\$ 109,137														

\* Amounts represent entire multi-year award amounts, which are immediately available. \*\*Reflects contract amendment of February 27, 2008 reducing total contract amount.

**BUDGET:** Includes all funds available for fiscal year based on Plan to be submitted to EDD on request, revised in accordance with latest appropriations information received from Chief, Workforce Services Division, as required. Formula Administrative Funds lose their identity upon appropriation. R760332 Mod 7 adds \$4,844 to FY 06/07 Carryover Funds (not to be used for Administrative Costs.) Budget Adjustments include Federally Mandated Rescissions of April 2008.

**OBLIGATIONS:** Includes funds obligated in contracts and ITA's. Youth Obligations include pending reduction amendments due to rescission. Does NOT include funds committed for operations, or CalGRIP contracts currently being negotiated.

**COMMITTED:** Includes projected staff personnel and overhead costs

**AVAILABLE:** Balance after expenditures and obligations

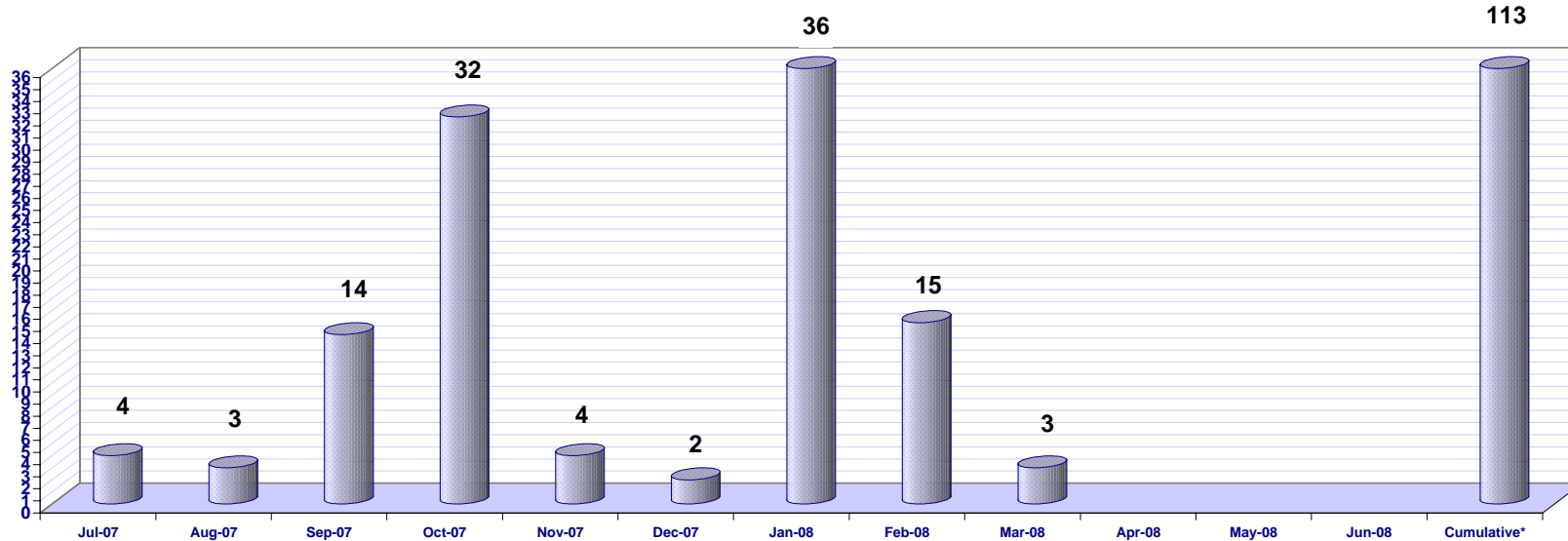
In-School Youth 53.05%  
Out-of-School Youth 46.95%

WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY REPORT - ADULT (Grant Code: 201)  
 PY 2007/08 - March 2008  
 Report Range 07/2007 to 03/2008

	ADULT												Part. Plan	% of Plan	
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	Cumulative*	PY 07/08	Attained
<b>Total Participants</b>	116	119	133	137	141	143	158	173	176				225	250	90.0%
Participants Carried In	112	116	119	105	137	141	122	158	173				112	105	106.7%
New Participants Entering Grant	4	3	14	32	4	2	36	15	3				113	145	77.9%
<b>Total Participants Exiting WI</b>			28			21			25				74	91	81.3%
Entered Unsubsidized Employment			21			17			20				58	71	81.7%
Training Related			7			1			7				15	22	68.2%
Entered Military Service															
Entered Qualified Apprenticeship Program															
Entered Post-Secondary Education															
Entered Advanced Training															
Attained Recognized Certificate/Diploma/Degree			11			5			9				25		
Attained High School Diploma/GED															
Returned to Secondary School (Youth Only)															
Exits Excluded from Performance															
Other Exits			27			21			25				73	78	93.6%

Program Activities/Services Summary	Enrolled												Cumulative*	PY 07/08	% of Plan
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08			
Core Services (Registered)	116	119	132	131	140	143	158	173	25				225	384	58.6%
Intensive Services	88	90	96	113	116	119	140	154	23				186	179	103.9%
Training Services	39	39	39	30	32	33	30	35	9				48	117	41.0%
Youth Services															
Concurrent Program Participants	21	22	23	17	17	17	17	17	2				28		
Individual Training Accounts	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3					3		
Goals Set (Younger Youth Only)								169							

WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY - ADULT  
 New Participants Entering Grant

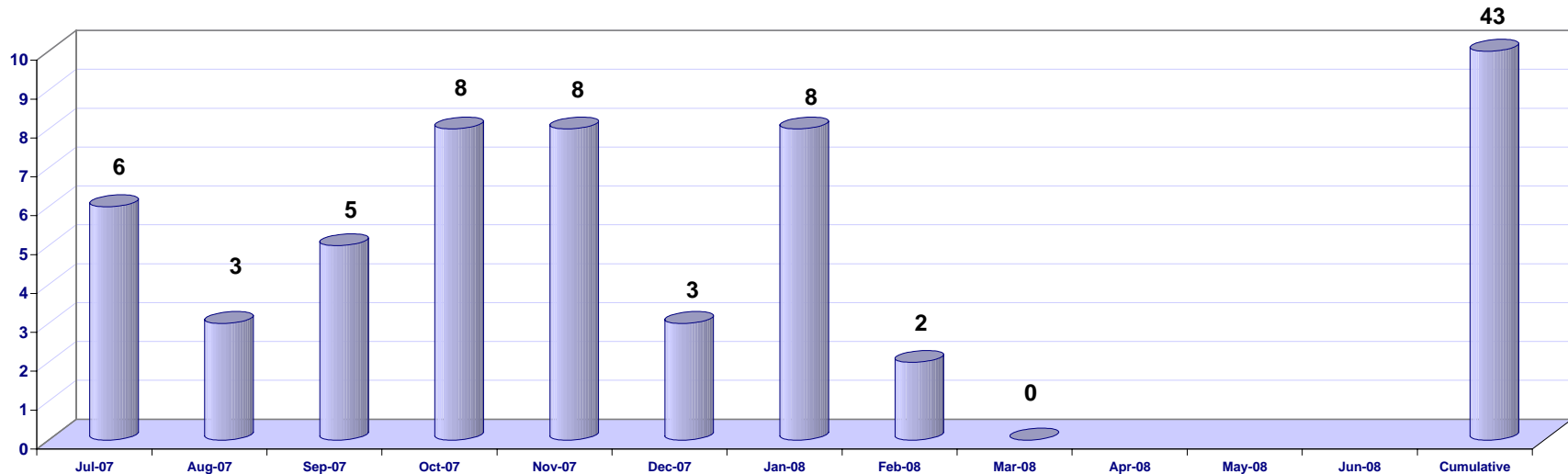


WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY REPORT - DISLOCATED WORKER (Grant Code: 501)  
 PY 2007/08 - March 2008  
 Report Range 07/2007 to 03/2008

	DISLOCATED WORKER												Part. Plan	% of Plan	
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	Cumulative	PY 07/08	Attained
<b>Total Participants</b>	97	100	105	88	96	99	84	86	86				134	158	84.8%
Participants Carried In	91	97	100	80	88	96	76	84	86				91	85	107.1%
New Participants Entering Grant	6	3	5	8	8	3	8	2					43	73	58.9%
<b>Total Participants Exiting WI</b>			25			23		24					72	39	184.6%
Entered Unsubsidized Employment			19			19		18					56	35	160.0%
Training Related			3			5		4					12	17	70.6%
Entered Military Service															
Entered Qualified Apprenticeship Program															
Entered Post-Secondary Education															
Entered Advanced Training															
Attained Recognized Certificate/Diploma/Degree			10			9		10					29		
Attained High School Diploma/GED															
Returned to Secondary School (Youth Only)															
Exits Excluded from Performance			3			2		3					8		
Other Exits			22			21		21					64	38	168.4%

Program Activities/Services Summary	Enrolled												Part. Plan	% of Plan	
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08			Cumulative
Core Services (Registered)	97	100	105	88	96	99	84	86	86				134	216	62.0%
Intensive Services	82	85	90	80	88	91	79	81	81				119	113	105.3%
Training Services	26	26	27	22	27	29	22	24	24				39	71	54.9%
Youth Services															
Concurrent Program Participants	36	36	36	26	27	28	21	21	21				39		
Individual Training Accounts	3	3	3	1	1	1							3		
Goals Set (Younger Youth Only)															

WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY - DISLOCATED WORKER  
 New Participants Entering Grant

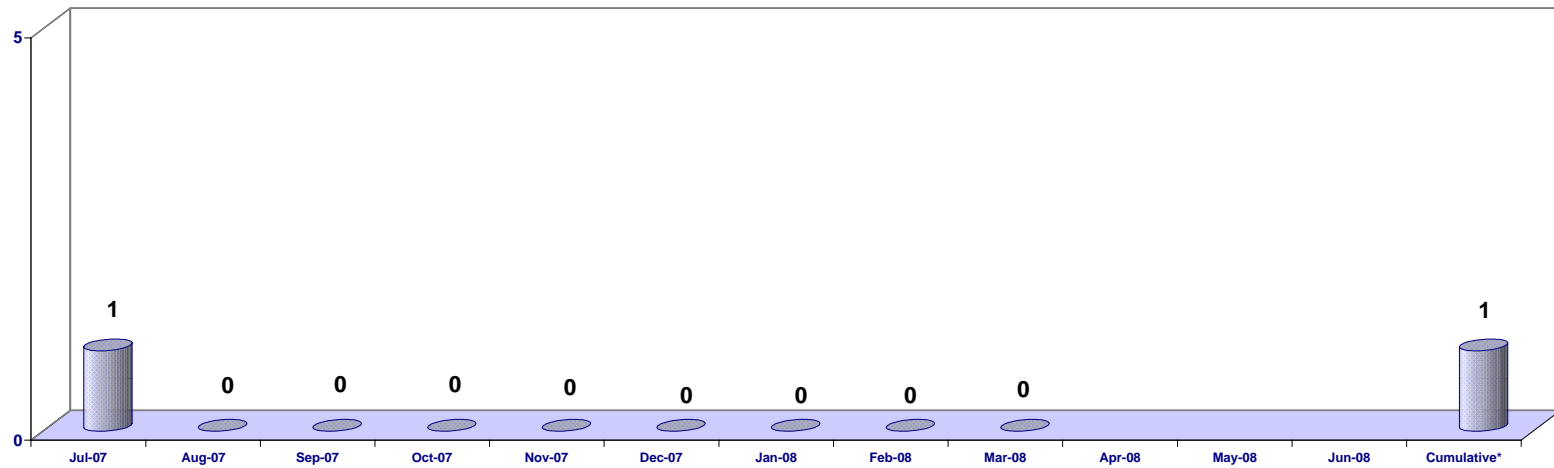


WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY REPORT - 25% MERCED EXPANSION PROJECT (Grant Code: 528)  
 PY 2007/08 - March 2008  
 Report Range 07/2007 to 03/2008

	QUEBECOR												Part. Plan	% of Plan	
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	Cumulative*	PY 07/08	Attained
<b>Total Participants</b>	13	13	13	5	5	5	3	3	3				13		
Participants Carried In	12	13	13	5	5	5	3	3	3				12		
New Participants Entering Grant	1												1		
<b>Total Participants Exiting WI</b>			8			2			1				11		
Entered Unsubsidized Employment			7			1							8		
Training Related			1										1		
Entered Military Service															
Entered Qualified Apprenticeship Program															
Entered Post-Secondary Education															
Entered Advanced Training															
Attained Recognized Certificate/Diploma/Degree			2										2		
Attained High School Diploma/GED															
Returned to Secondary School (Youth Only)															
Exits Excluded from Performance															
Other Exits			8			2			1				11		

Program Activities/Services Summary	Enrolled												Cumulative*	PY 07/08	Attained
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08			
Core Services (Registered)	13	13	13	5	5	5	3	3	3				11		
Intensive Services	5	5	5	2	2	2	1	1	1				4		
Training Services	4	4	4	2	2	2	1	1	1				3		
Youth Services															
Concurrent Program Participants	2	2	2										2		
Individual Training Accounts															
Goals Set (Younger Youth Only)															

WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY - 25 % DISLOCATED WORKER AUGMENTATION: QUEBECOR  
 New Participants Entering Grant

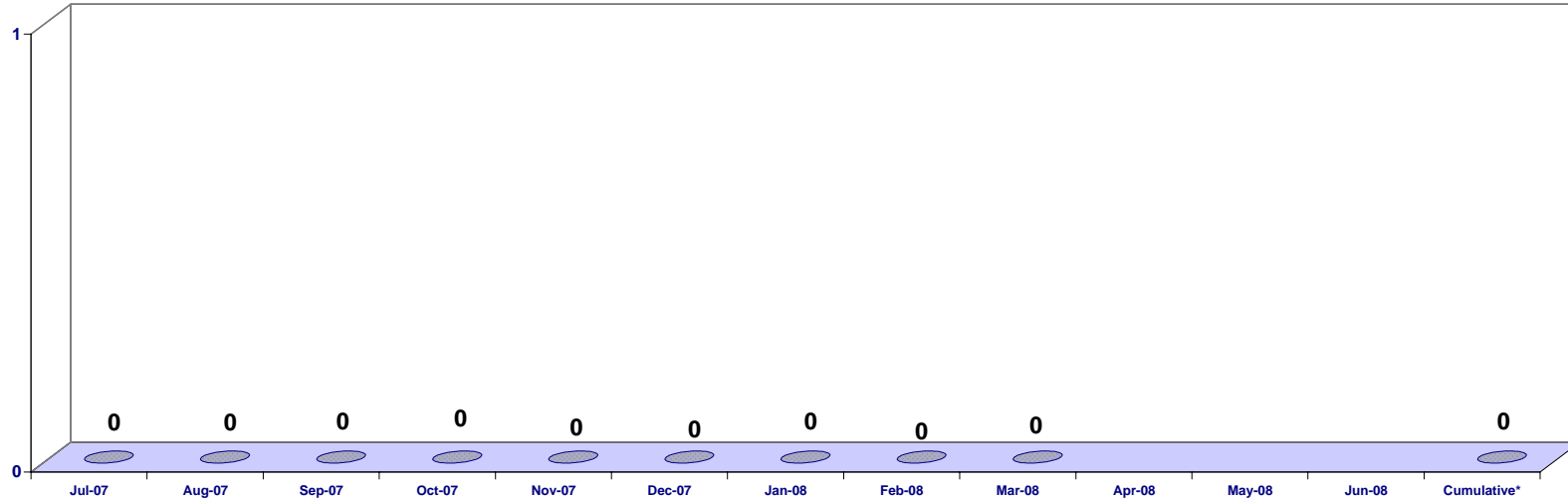


WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY REPORT - DWI/CVOC JOINT PROJECT (Grant Code: 537)  
 PY 2007/08 - March 2008  
 Report Range 07/2007 to 03/2008

	DWI/CVOC JOINT PROJECT												Part. Plan	% of Plan	
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	Cumulative*	PY 07/08	Attained
<b>Total Participants</b>	35	35	35	28	28	28	23	23	23				35		
Participants Carried In	35	35	35	28	28	28	23	23	23				35		
New Participants Entering Grant															
<b>Total Participants Exiting WI</b>			7			5			3				15		
Entered Unsubsidized Employment			5			4			3				12		
Training Related			2			1			1				4		
Entered Military Service															
Entered Qualified Apprenticeship Program															
Entered Post-Secondary Education															
Entered Advanced Training															
Attained Recognized Certificate/Diploma/Degree			4			3			3				10		
Attained High School Diploma/GED															
Returned to Secondary School (Youth Only)															
Exits Excluded from Performance			2			1							3		
Other Exits			5			4			3				12		

Program Activities/Services Summary	Enrolled												Cumulative*	PY 07/08	Attained
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08			
Core Services (Registered)	33	33	34	27	27	27	22	22	22				34		
Intensive Services	34	34	34	27	27	27	22	22	22				34		
Training Services	7	7	7	5	6	6	2	2	2				8		
Youth Services															
Concurrent Program Participants	25	25	25	19	19	19	15	15	15				25		
Individual Training Accounts	2	2	2	1	1	1							2		
Goals Set (Younger Youth Only)															

WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY - DWI/CVOC JOINT PROJECT  
 New Participants Entering Grant

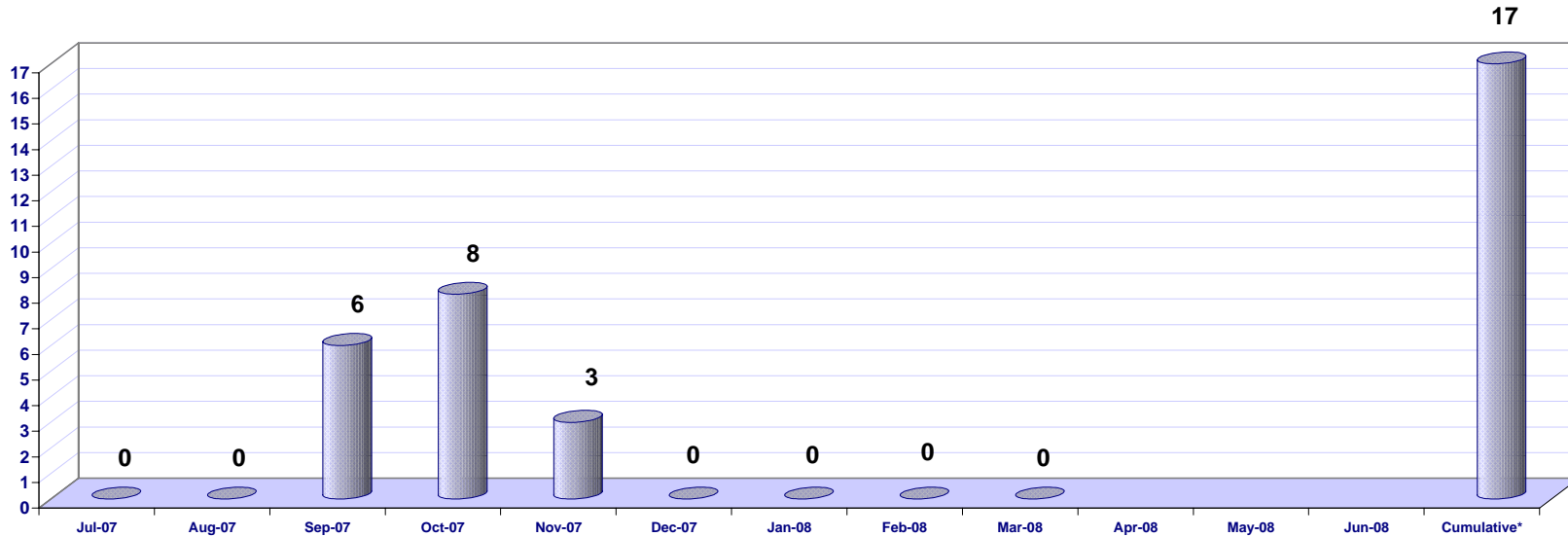


WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY REPORT - HIGH CON. YOUTH (Grant Code: 648)  
 PY 2007/08 - March 2008  
 Report Range 07/2007 to 03/2008

	High Concentration Youth Program												Cumulative*
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	
<b>Total Participants</b>	21	21	27	35	38	38	38	38	38	38			38
Participants Carried In	21	21	21	27	35	38	38	38	38				21
New Participants Entering Grant			6	8	3								17
<b>Total Participants Exiting WI</b>													
Entered Unsubsidized Employment													
Training Related													
Entered Military Service													
Entered Qualified Apprenticeship Program													
Entered Post-Secondary Education													
Entered Advanced Training													
Attained Recognized Certificate/Diploma/Degree													
Attained High School Diploma/GED													
Returned to Secondary School (Youth Only)													
Exits Excluded from Performance													
Other Exits													

Program Activities/Services Summary	Enrolled												Cumulative*
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	
Core Services (Registered)													
Intensive Services	7	7	12	16	17	17	17	17	17				17
Training Services	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4				4
Youth Services	21	21	27	34	37	37	37	37	37				37
Concurrent Program Participants	6	6	7	11	12	12	12	12	12				12
Individual Training Accounts													
Goals Set (Younger Youth Only)													

WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY - HIGH CON. YOUTH (GRANT CODE: 648)  
 New Participants Entering Grant

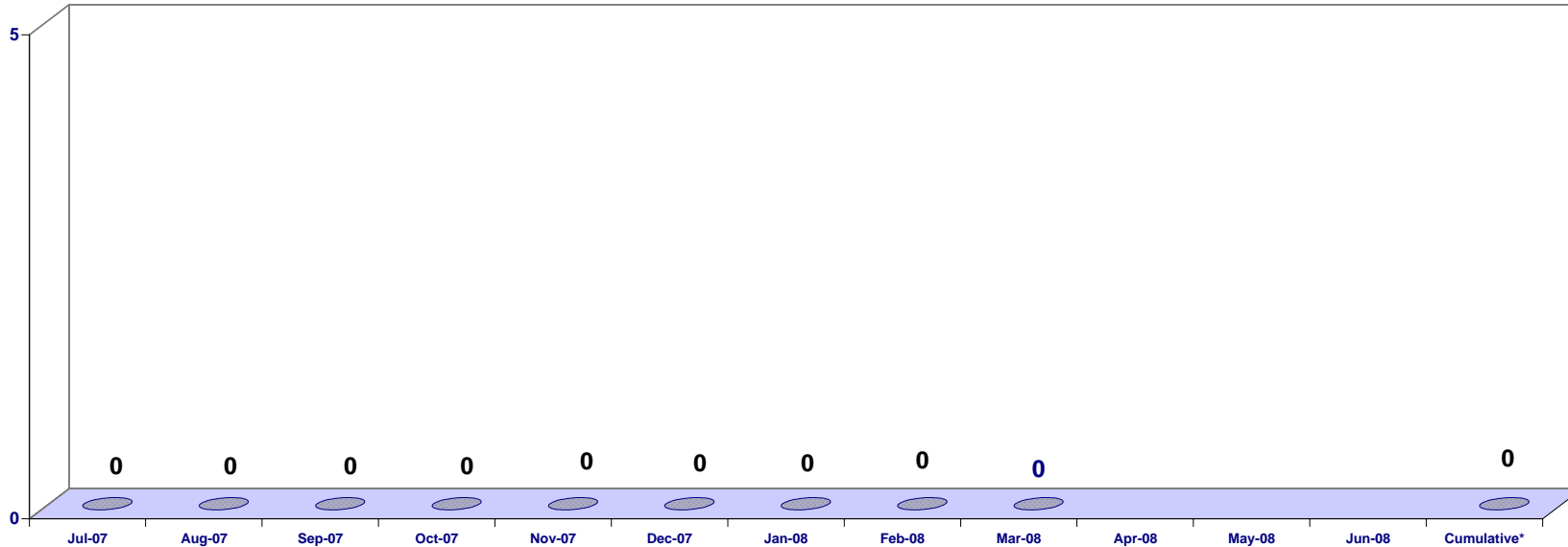


WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY REPORT - NURSING PROGRAM (Grant Code: 693)  
 PY 2007/08 - March 2008  
 Report Range 07/2007 to 03/2008

	Nursing Program												Cumulative*
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	
<b>Total Participants</b>	27	27	27	24	24	24	24	24	24	24			27
Participants Carried In	27	27	27	24	24	24	24	24	24	24			27
New Participants Entering Grant													
<b>Total Participants Exiting WI</b>			3						5				8
Entered Unsubsidized Employment			3						5				8
Training Related			2						5				7
Entered Military Service													
Entered Qualified Apprenticeship Program													
Entered Post-Secondary Education													
Entered Advanced Training													
Attained Recognized Certificate/Diploma/Degree			2						5				7
Attained High School Diploma/GED													
Returned to Secondary School (Youth Only)													
Exits Excluded from Performance													
Other Exits			3						5				8

Program Activities/Services Summary	Enrolled												Cumulative*
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	
Core Services (Registered)	22	22	22	21	21	21	21	21	21	21			22
Intensive Services	27	27	27	24	24	24	24	24	24	24			27
Training Services	19	19	19	18	18	18	18	18	18	18			19
Youth Services													
Concurrent Program Participants	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3			3
Individual Training Accounts	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1			1
Goals Set (Younger Youth Only)													

WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY - NURSING PROGRAM (GRANT CODE: 693)  
 New Participants Entering Grant

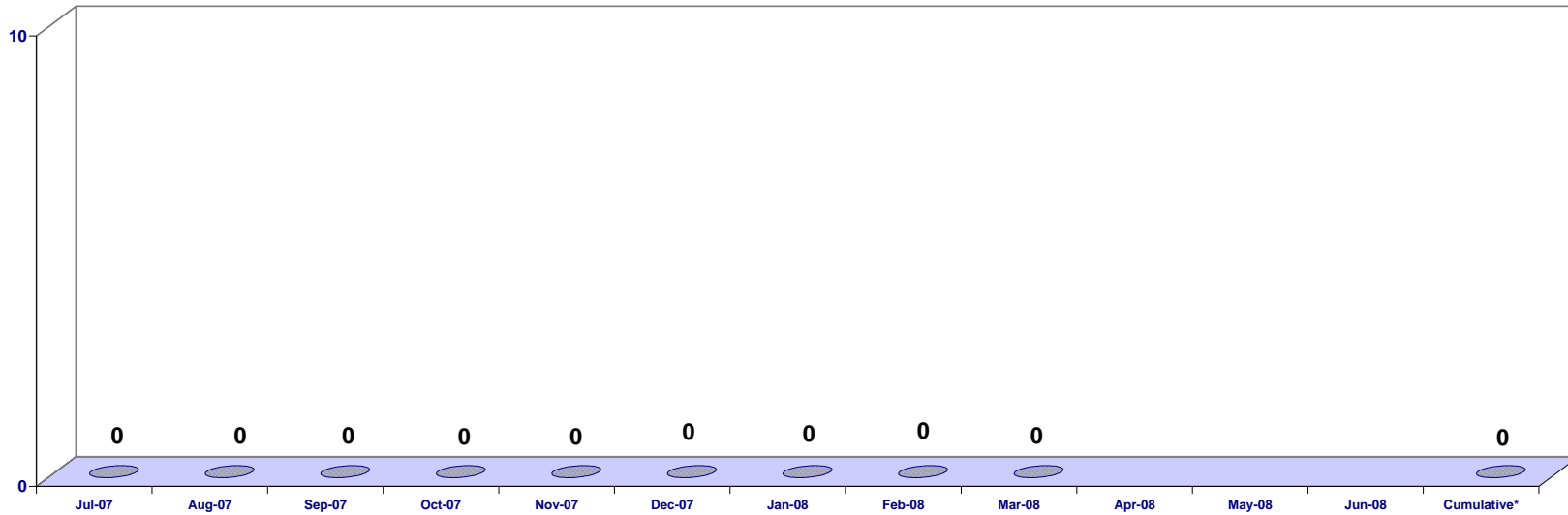


WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY REPORT - 15% MERCED EXPANSION PROJECT (Grant Code: 787)  
 PY 2007/08 - March 2008  
 Report Range 07/2007 to 03/2008

	Quebecor												Cumulative*	Part. Plan PY 07/08	% of Plan Attained
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08			
<b>Total Participants</b>	15	15	15	7	7	7	3	3	3				15		
Participants Carried In	15	15	15	7	7	7	3	3	3				15		
New Participants Entering Grant															
<b>Total Participants Exiting WI</b>			8			4		1					13		
Entered Unsubsidized Employment			6			2							8		
Training Related			2										2		
Entered Military Service															
Entered Qualified Apprenticeship Program															
Entered Post-Secondary Education															
Entered Advanced Training															
Attained Recognized Certificate/Diploma/Degree			2										2		
Attained High School Diploma/GED															
Returned to Secondary School (Youth Only)															
Exits Excluded from Performance															
Other Exits			8			4		1					13		

Program Activities/Services Summary	Enrolled												Cumulative*	Part. Plan PY 07/08	% of Plan Attained
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08			
Core Services (Registered)	15	15	15	7	7	7	3	3	3				15		
Intensive Services	2	2	2										2		
Training Services	2	2	2										2		
Youth Services															
Concurrent Program Participants	2	2	2										2		
Individual Training Accounts															
Goals Set (Younger Youth Only)															

WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY - 15% MERCED EXPANSION PROJECT (GRANT CODE: 787)  
 New Participants Entering Grant

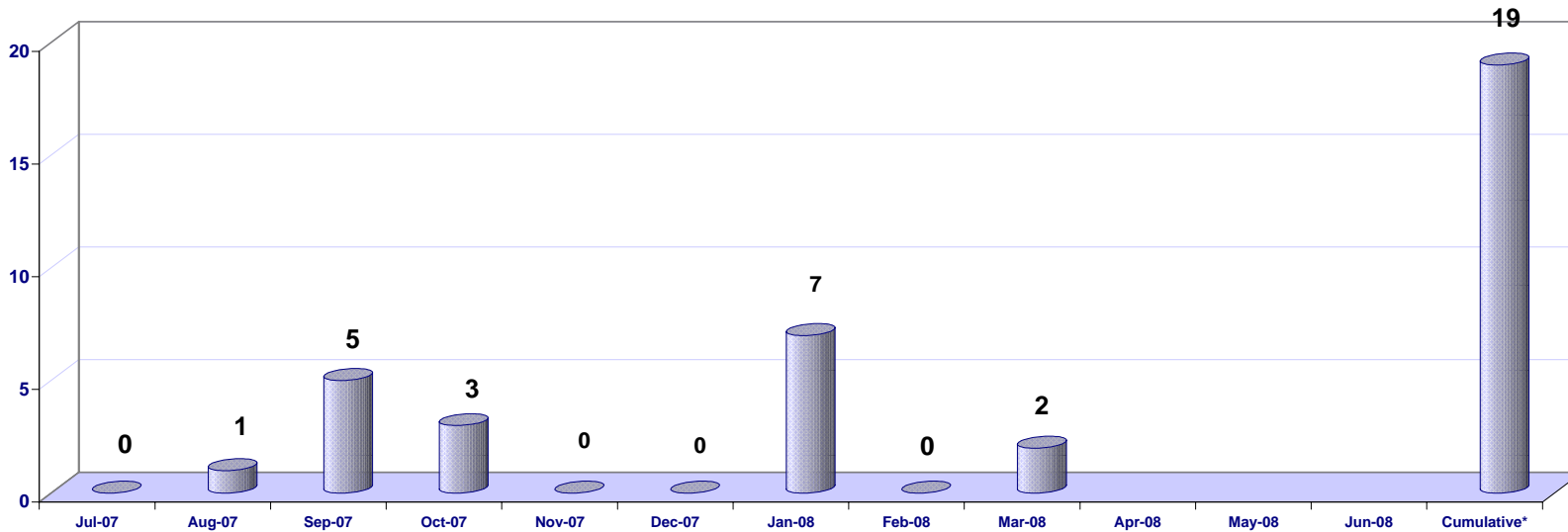


**WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY REPORT - OLDER YOUTH**  
**PY 2007/08 - March 2008**  
**Report Range 07/2007 to 03/2008**

	OLDER YOUTH													Part. Plan	% of Plan
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	Cumulative*	PY 07/08	Attained
<b>Total Participants</b>	93	94	99	98	98	98	101	101	103				112	132	84.8%
Participants Carried In	93	93	94	95	98	98	94	101	101				93	102	91.2%
New Participants Entering Grant		1	5	3			7		2				19	30	63.3%
<b>Total Participants Exiting WI</b>			4	1		4			1				10	35	28.6%
Entered Unsubsidized Employment			3			2							5	25	20.0%
Training Related			1			1							2	9	22.2%
Entered Military Service															
Entered Qualified Apprenticeship Program															
Entered Post-Secondary Education			1			1							2	9	22.2%
Entered Advanced Training			1										1	1	
Attained Recognized Certificate/Diploma/Degree			2			4							6		
Attained High School Diploma/GED															
Returned to Secondary School (Youth Only)															
Exits Excluded from Performance															
Other Exits			2			4			1				7	35	20.0%

Program Activities/Services Summary	Enrolled													PY 07/08	Attained
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	Cumulative*		
Core Services (Registered)			1	1	1	1	1	1	1				1		
Intensive Services	82	83	88	87	87	88	92	92	94				102		
Training Services	60	61	62	59	59	59	60	60	61				68		
Youth Services	91	92	97	96	96	96	92	92	91				100		
Concurrent Program Participants	28	29	30	30	30	30	30	30	32				36		
Individual Training Accounts															
Goals Set (Younger Youth Only)									103						

**WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY - OLDER YOUTH**  
**New Participants Entering Grant**

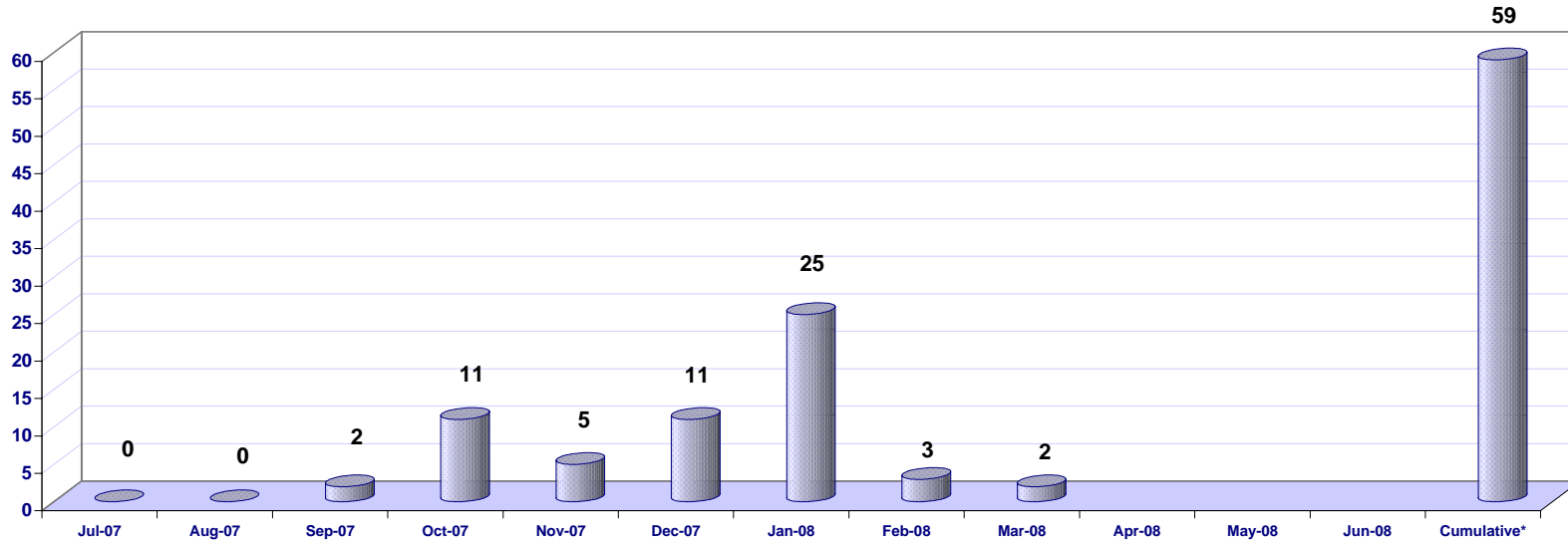


**WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY REPORT - YOUNGER YOUTH**  
**PY 2007/08 - March 2008**  
**Report Range 07/2007 to 03/2008**

	Younger Youth													Part. Plan	% of Plan
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	Cumulative*	PY 07/08	Attained
<b>Total Participants</b>	196	196	198	165	170	181	205	208	210				255	316	80.7%
Participants Carried In	196	196	196	154	165	170	180	205	208				196	286	68.5%
New Participants Entering Grant			2	11	5	11	25	3	2				59	30	196.7%
<b>Total Participants Exiting WI</b>			44			1							45	100	45.0%
Entered Unsubsidized Employment			13			1							14	15	93.3%
Training Related			5										5	10	50.0%
Entered Military Service														5	
Entered Qualified Apprenticeship Program															
Entered Post-Secondary Education			26										26	62	41.9%
Entered Advanced Training			1										1	2	50.0%
Attained Recognized Certificate/Diploma/Degree			36			1							37		
Attained High School Diploma/GED			30										30	75	40.0%
Returned to Secondary School (Youth Only)														4	
Exits Excluded from Performance			1										1		
Other Exits			43			1							44	85	51.8%

Program Activities/Services Summary	Enrolled													PY 07/08	% of Plan	
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	Cumulative*			
Core Services (Registered)																
Intensive Services	46	46	47	44	45	45	52	53	53				61			
Training Services	31	31	31	28	28	28	31	31	31				34			
Youth Services	196	196	198	164	169	180	198	201	203				248			
Concurrent Program Participants	102	102	102	80	83	91	105	106	107				136			
Individual Training Accounts																
Goals Set (Younger Youth Only)	14	12	12	31	33	23	36	22	11				194	250	77.6%	

**WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY - YOUNGER YOUTH**  
**New Participants Entering Grant**

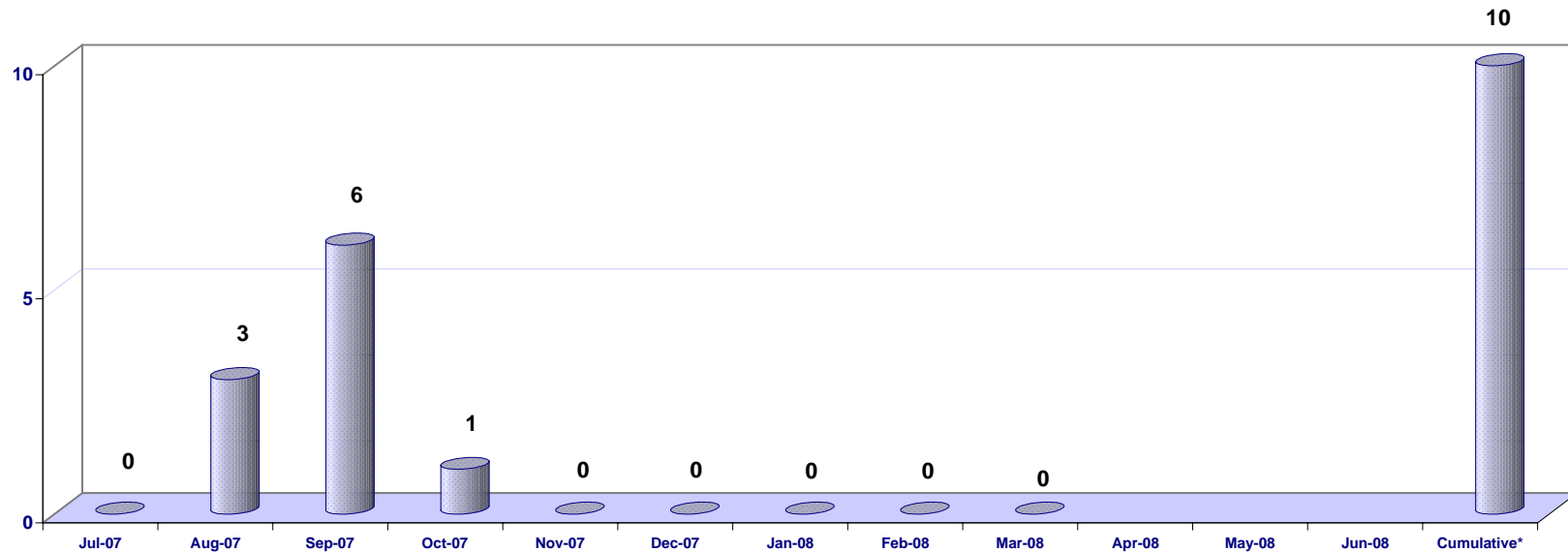


WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY REPORT - 907 DOL San Joaquin LVN Program  
 PY 2007/08 - March 2008  
 Report Range 07/2007 to 03/2008

	DOL San Joaquin LVN Program												
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	Cumulative*
<b>Total Participants</b>	31	34	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40			41
Participants Carried In	31	31	34	39	40	40	40	40	40				31
New Participants Entering Grant		3	6	1									10
<b>Total Participants Exiting WI</b>			1						2				3
Entered Unsubsidized Employment													
Training Related													
Entered Military Service													
Entered Qualified Apprenticeship Program													
Entered Post-Secondary Education													
Entered Advanced Training													
Attained Recognized Certificate/Diploma/Degree													
Attained High School Diploma/GED													
Returned to Secondary School (Youth Only)													
Exits Excluded from Performance													
Other Exits			1						2				3

Program Activities/Services Summary	Enrolled												
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	Cumulative*
Core Services (Registered)	23	25	31	30	30	30	30	30	30	30			31
Intensive Services	27	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	29			30
Training Services													
Youth Services													
Concurrent Program Participants	4	5	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6			6
Individual Training Accounts													
Goals Set (Younger Youth Only)													

WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY - DOL SAN JOAQUIN LVN PROGRAM  
 New Participants Entering Grant

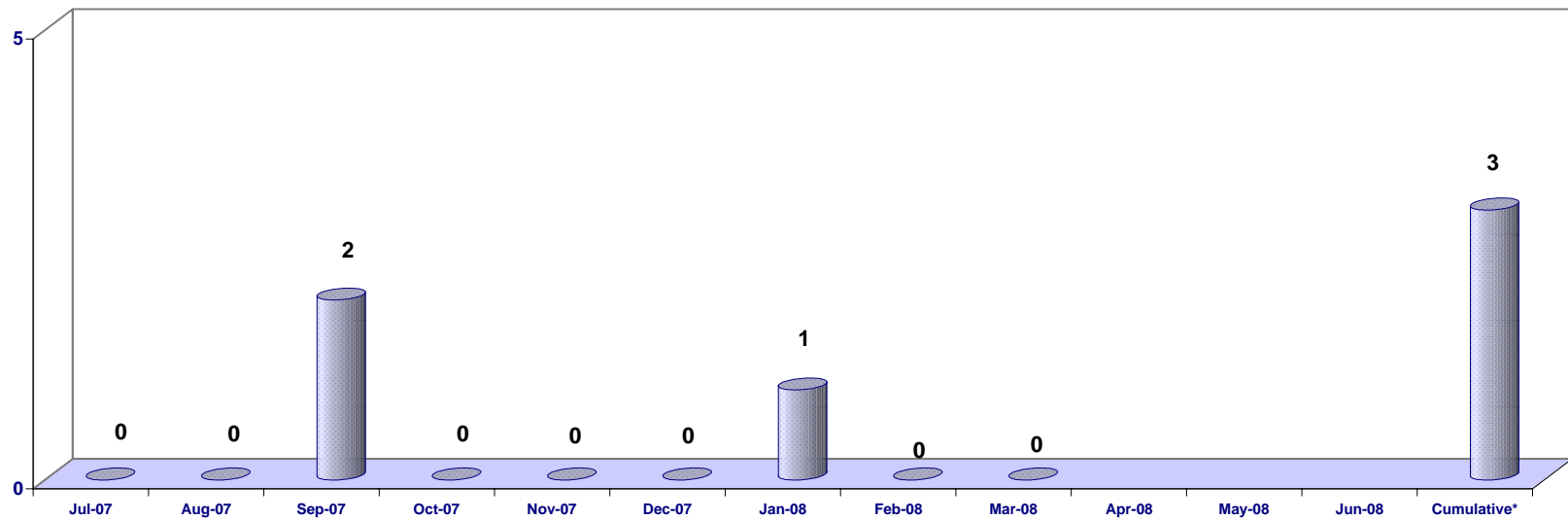


WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY REPORT - SJC MANUFACTURING PROJECT (914)  
 PY 2007/08 - March 2008  
 Report Range 07/2007 to 03/2008

	SJC Manufacturing Project												
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	Cumulative*
<b>Total Participants</b>	1	1	3	3	3	3	4	4	4				4
Participants Carried In	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	4	4				1
New Participants Entering Grant			2				1						3
<b>Total Participants Exiting WI</b>													
Entered Unsubsidized Employment													
Training Related													
Entered Military Service													
Entered Qualified Apprenticeship Program													
Entered Post-Secondary Education													
Entered Advanced Training													
Attained Recognized Certificate/Diploma/Degree													
Attained High School Diploma/GED													
Returned to Secondary School (Youth Only)													
Exits Excluded from Performance													
Other Exits													

	Enrolled												
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	Cumulative*
<b>Program Activities/Services Summary</b>													
Core Services (Registered)	1	1	3	3	3	3	4	4	4				4
Intensive Services	1	1	3	3	3	3	4	4	4				4
Training Services													
Youth Services													
Concurrent Program Participants													
Individual Training Accounts													
Goals Set (Younger Youth Only)													

WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY - SJC MANUFACTURING PROJECT  
 New Participants Entering Grant



WIA PARTICIPANT CHARACTERISTICS SUMMARY

Report Period: 7/2007 to 3/2008

ENROLLED

	ADULT		DISLOCATED WORKER		528 25% MERCED EXPANSION PROJECT		537 WIA-CVOC JOINT PROJECT		648 WIA-HIGH CON. YTH		693 RN PROGRAM	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
<b>Total</b>	225	100.0%	134	100.0%	13	100.0%	35	100.0%	38	100.0%	27	100.0%
<b>Female</b>	165	73.3%	84	62.7%	5	38.5%	26	74.3%	16	42.1%	20	74.1%
<b>Male</b>	60	26.7%	50	37.3%	8	61.5%	9	25.7%	22	57.9%	7	25.9%
<b>Age</b>												
14-18	1	0.4%							24	63.2%		
19-21	16	7.1%	5	3.7%	2	15.4%	1	2.9%	14	36.8%	2	7.4%
22-29	90	40.0%	14	10.4%	3	23.1%					17	63.0%
30-44	71	31.6%	46	34.3%	6	46.2%	9	25.7%			6	22.2%
45-54	33	14.7%	47	35.1%	2	15.4%	13	37.1%			2	7.4%
55-61	13	5.8%	19	14.2%			10	28.6%				
62-64			2	1.5%			1	2.9%				
65 and over	1	0.4%	1	0.7%			1	2.9%				
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>												
American Indian / Alaskan Native	4	1.8%	4	3.0%	2	15.4%						
Asian	41	18.2%	6	4.5%	1	7.7%	2	5.7%	1	2.6%	1	3.7%
Black / African American	14	6.2%	9	6.7%	1	7.7%	2	5.7%	6	15.8%		
Hawaiian Native / Other Pacific Islander	10	4.4%	1	0.7%							1	3.7%
White	82	36.4%	49	36.6%	4	30.8%	7	20.0%	7	18.4%	15	55.6%
Ethnicity Hispanic or Latino	87	38.7%	71	53.0%	7	53.8%	25	71.4%	27	71.1%	11	40.7%
<b>Labor Force Status</b>												
Employed	85	37.8%	1	0.7%					3	7.9%	19	70.4%
Unemployed	140	62.2%	133	99.3%	13	100.0%	35	100.0%	35	92.1%	8	29.6%
UI Claimant	24	10.7%	106	79.1%	7	53.8%	31	88.6%				
UI Exhaustee	8	3.6%	23	17.2%	6	46.2%	3	8.6%				
<b>Barriers to Employment</b>												
Disabled	5	2.2%	1	0.7%					17	44.7%	1	3.7%
Limited English Proficiency	4	1.8%	3	2.2%			2	5.7%				
Single Parent	60	26.7%	21	15.7%	2	15.4%	4	11.4%	1	2.6%	5	18.5%
Work Profiling Reemployment Services Referral	1	0.4%	15	11.2%			5	14.3%				
Low Income	123	54.7%	56	41.8%	8	61.5%	10	28.6%	38	100.0%	12	44.4%
Displaced Homemaker												
Offender	6	2.7%	2	1.5%	2	15.4%			3	7.9%	1	3.7%
Homeless	1	0.4%							2	5.3%		
Runaway Youth									3	7.9%		
Pregnant Parenting Youth									3	7.9%		
Youth Needing Additional Assistance									38	100.0%		
Basic Literacy Skills Deficient	80	35.6%	74	55.2%	1	7.7%	26	74.3%	35	92.1%	4	14.8%
Substance Abuse									3	7.9%		
Foster Youth	1	0.4%							3	7.9%		

WIA PARTICIPANT CHARACTERISTICS SUMMARY

Report Period: 7/2007 to 3/2008

ENROLLED

	787 15% MERCED EXPANSION PROJECT		907 DOL SAN JOAQUIN LVN PROGRAM		301 OLDER YOUTH		301 YOUNGER YOUTH		914 SJC MANUF. PROJECT		TOTAL (ALL GRANT CODES)	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Total	15	100.0%	41	100.0%	112	100.0%	255	100.0%	4	100.0%	899	100.0%
Female	4	26.7%	37	90.2%	82	73.2%	122	47.8%			561	62.4%
Male	11	73.3%	4	9.8%	30	26.8%	133	52.2%	4	100.0%	338	37.6%
<b>Age</b>												
14-18							255	100.0%			280	31.1%
19-21					112	100.0%					152	16.9%
22-29	8	53.3%	22	53.7%							154	17.1%
30-44	3	20.0%	16	39.0%					3	75.0%	160	17.8%
45-54	3	20.0%	2	4.9%					1	25.0%	103	11.5%
55-61	1	6.7%	1	2.4%							44	4.9%
62-64											3	0.3%
65 and over											3	0.3%
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>												
American Indian / Alaskan Native					1	0.9%	4	1.6%			15	1.7%
Asian	3	20.0%	17	41.5%	8	7.1%	44	17.3%			124	13.8%
Black / African American	2	13.3%	2	4.9%	9	8.0%	21	8.2%			66	7.3%
Hawaiian Native / Other Pacific Islander	1	6.7%	4	9.8%	1	0.9%	2	0.8%			20	2.2%
White	2	13.3%	11	26.8%	12	10.7%	37	14.5%	3	75.0%	229	25.5%
Ethnicity Hispanic or Latino	8	53.3%	10	24.4%	82	73.2%	166	65.1%	1	25.0%	495	55.1%
<b>Labor Force Status</b>												
Employed	10	66.7%	27	65.9%	17	15.2%	7	2.7%			169	18.8%
Unemployed	5	33.3%	14	34.1%	95	84.8%	248	97.3%	4	100.0%	730	81.2%
UI Claimant	1	6.7%			1	0.9%			4	100.0%	174	19.4%
UI Exhaustee											40	4.4%
<b>Barriers to Employment</b>												
Disabled	1	6.7%	1	2.4%	6	5.4%	32	12.5%			64	7.1%
Limited English Proficiency			1	2.4%	8	7.1%	10	3.9%			28	3.1%
Single Parent	5	33.3%	10	24.4%	19	17.0%	11	4.3%			138	15.4%
Work Profiling Reemployment Services Referral											21	2.3%
Low Income	11	73.3%	17	41.5%	110	98.2%	248	97.3%			633	70.4%
Displaced Homemaker												
Offender	2	13.3%			10	8.9%	20	7.8%	1	25.0%	47	5.2%
Homeless					3	2.7%	3	1.2%			9	1.0%
Runaway Youth					2	1.8%	6	2.4%			11	1.2%
Pregnant Parenting Youth					39	34.8%	20	7.8%			62	6.9%
Youth Needing Additional Assistance					112	100.0%	253	99.2%			403	44.8%
Basic Literacy Skills Deficient			9	22.0%	99	88.4%	229	89.8%	1	25.0%	558	62.1%
Substance Abuse					4	3.6%	12	4.7%			19	2.1%
Foster Youth					2	1.8%	5	2.0%			11	1.2%



# The Quick Look

## A Merced County Labor Market Review - March 2008

Welcome to the Merced County labor market review. The Quick Look has been developed by the Department of Workforce Investment staff for the Merced County Local Workforce Investment Board. The data and information is provided by the California Employment Development Department. Questions can be referred to the Department of Workforce Investment, 1880 West Wardrobe Avenue, Merced, CA 95340. Telephone (209) 724-2042. Email: pitd26@co.merced.ca.us or to EDD's Labor Market Information Division at (916) 262-2162.

Merced County Data not adjusted for Seasonality	Labor Force and Industrial Employment					
	March 2006 Benchmark				Percent Change	
	Mar 07	Jan 08	Feb 08	Mar 08	Month	Year
Civilian Labor Force	100,100	105,100	105,300	105,700	0.4%	5.6%
Civilian Employment	88,900	91,300	91,200	91,200	0.0%	2.6%
Civilian Unemployment	11,200	13,800	14,100	14,500	2.8%	29.5%
Civilian Unemployment Rate	11.2%	13.2%	13.4%	13.7%		
(CA Unemployment Rate)	5.1%	6.4%	6.1%	6.4%		
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	4.5%	5.4%	5.2%	5.2%		
Total, All Industries	66,900	68,400	68,800	69,200	0.6%	3.4%
Total Farm	8,600	10,000	10,100	10,200	1.0%	18.6%
Total Nonfarm	58,300	58,400	58,700	59,000	0.5%	1.2%
Total Private	43,000	42,700	42,800	42,900	0.2%	-0.2%
Goods Producing	12,300	11,800	11,800	11,800	0.0%	-4.1%
Natural Resources and Mining and Constuction	3,300	2,800	2,800	2,800	0.0%	-15.2%
Construction	3,300	2,800	2,800	2,800	0.0%	-15.2%
Manufacturing	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	0.0%	0.0%
Durable Goods	1,900	1,700	1,800	1,800	0.0%	-5.3%
Nondurable Goods	7,100	7,300	7,200	7,200	0.0%	1.4%
Service Providing	46,000	46,600	46,900	47,200	0.6%	2.6%
Private Service Producing	30,700	30,900	31,000	31,100	0.3%	1.3%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	11,700	11,800	11,700	11,800	0.9%	0.9%
Wholesale Trade	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	0.0%	0.0%
Retail Trade	7,700	7,900	7,800	7,900	1.3%	2.6%
Food and Beverage Stores	1,600	1,700	1,700	1,700	0.0%	6.3%
General Merchandise Stores	1,700	1,900	1,800	1,800	0.0%	5.9%
Residual - Miscellaneous Store Retailers	4,400	4,300	4,300	4,400	2.3%	0.0%
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities	2,200	2,100	2,100	2,100	0.0%	-4.5%
Information	1,400	1,300	1,300	1,300	0.0%	-7.1%
Financial Activities	1,900	1,900	1,900	1,900	0.0%	0.0%
Finance and Insurance	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	0.0%	0.0%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	700	700	700	700	0.0%	0.0%
Professional and Business Services	3,800	4,200	4,300	4,300	0.0%	13.2%
Educational and Health Services	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	0.0%	0.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	4,800	4,800	4,900	4,900	0.0%	2.1%
Food Services and Drinking Places	4,100	4,100	4,200	4,200	0.0%	2.4%
Residual - Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	700	700	700	700	0.0%	0.0%
Other Services	1,600	1,400	1,400	1,400	0.0%	-12.5%
Government	15,300	15,700	15,900	16,100	1.3%	5.2%
Federal Government	800	800	800	800	0.0%	0.0%
State Government	1,400	1,800	1,800	1,800	0.0%	28.6%
Local Government	13,100	13,100	13,300	13,500	1.5%	3.1%

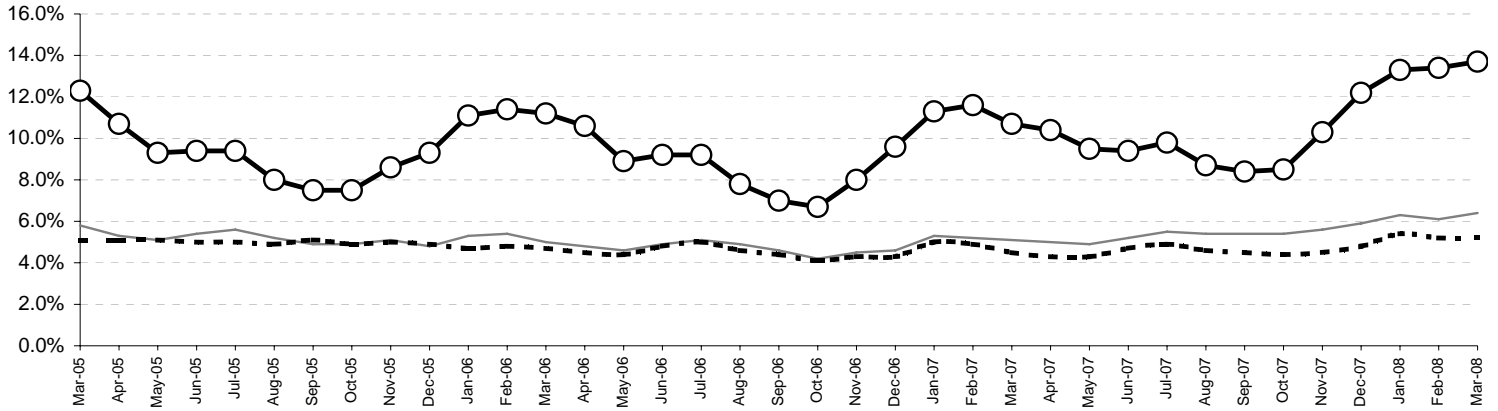
The County continues with one of the highest unemployment rates in the State, ranking 55th out of 58 counties in the month of March. The preliminary result is a increase of .3 percentage point in the unemployment rate from the January rate. For year ago data, this preliminary figure is an increase of 2.5 percentage point in the unemployment rate.

Overall, the County's Civilian Labor Force increased by 400 persons over last month's figure and an increase of 5,600 persons over year ago figure. Industrial employment increased by 400 jobs in February over January's figure and an increase of 2,300 jobs over year ago's figures.

## The Quick Look

Nov 2007

**Merced County, California, and the United States  
Unemployment Rate  
Mar 2005 to Mar 2008**

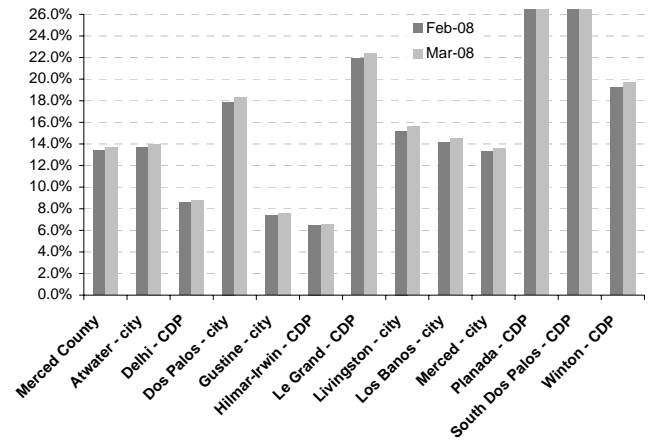


### Sub County average unemployment rates for the county, cities, and municipalities.

Area Name	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	
			Number	Rate
Merced County	105,700	91,200	14,500	13.7%
Atwater city	12,400	10,700	1,700	14.0%
Delhi CDP	4,100	3,700	400	8.8%
Dos Palos city	2,100	1,700	400	18.3%
Gustine city	2,500	2,300	200	7.6%
Hilmar Irwin CDP	2,800	2,600	200	6.6%
Le Grand CDP	800	600	200	22.4%
Livingston city	5,200	4,400	800	15.6%
Los Banos city	13,200	11,300	1,900	14.5%
Merced city	31,300	27,000	4,300	13.6%
Planada CDP	1,900	1,300	600	31.0%
South Dos Palos CDP	500	300	200	33.3%
Winton CDP	4,000	3,200	800	19.7%

CDP - Census Designated Place

**Merced County - Community Unemployment**



Merced County's workforce has grown over the past 16 years reflecting improvement of the County's economic well being; however, unemployment remains a consistent barrier to greater prosperity. Average unemployment has fluctuated from an annual low of 9.3 percent to an annual high of 17.5 percent.

### Counties in the San Joaquin Valley Quick Look

County	Rank	Labor Force	Employ	Unemployed	Rate
Merced	55	105,700	91,200	14,500	13.7%
Fresno	42	433,300	385,100	48,200	11.1%
Kern	41	352,600	314,500	38,100	10.8%
Kings	46	59,600	52,800	6,800	11.4%
Madera	39	63,400	56,700	6,700	10.6%
San Joaquin	38	301,100	270,200	30,900	10.3%
Stanislaus	45	235,100	208,400	26,700	11.3%
Tulare	49	194,000	170,500	23,500	12.1%
San Joaquin Valley		1,744,800	1,549,400	195,400	11.2%

**Counties in the San Joaquin Valley  
Unemployment Rates**

