



Bridges Update

California's Bridges to Youth Self-Sufficiency

December, 2006 Update

PARTICIPANT UPDATE

Month	Previous Total	New Participants	Disenrolled	Current Total
October	363	9	3	369
November	369	9	0	378
December	378	3	4	377

GENERAL DEMOGRAPHICS

Month	Male	Female	Currently Using SSA Benefits	In School (K-22)
October	55%	45%	69%	59%
November	55%	45%	69%	59%
December	55%	45%	70%	57%

SELECTED REPORT

Employment Data for Bridges Participants Out-of-School and Working (October 06 - December 06)

Month	Age	Total Participants	Average Hourly Wage	Average Hours Worked Per Week	Percent Subsidized Wage
October 06	18-22	37	\$7.69	23.2	11%
	22+	63	\$6.99	19.3	14%
November 06	18-22	41	\$7.77	23.3	12%
	22+	62	\$7.00	19.5	14%
December 06	18-22	40	\$7.67	23.7	12%
	22+	64	\$7.06	19.4	14%

AGE

Month	14-16	17-19	20-21	22+	Average Age
October	6%	34%	29%	31%	20.9
November	5%	34%	29%	32%	20.9
December	5%	33%	31%	31%	21

LIVING ARRANGEMENT

Month	Foster/Group Home	Independent Without Support	Parents/Relatives/Legal Guardians	Supervised or Supported Living	School Dormitory ²	Other
October	3%	7%	83%	3.5%	.5%	3%
November	3%	7%	83%	3.5%	.5%	3%
December	3%	7%	83%	3.5%	.5%	3%

EMPLOYMENT UPDATE¹

Month	Percentage of All Participants Working (Paid Work)	Average Hours Worked Per Week Of Total Working	Average Hourly Wage Of Total Working	Percentage of Total Working with Subsidized Wages
October	50%	18.7	\$7.09	22%
November	50%	19.1	\$7.13	23%
December	51%	18.9	\$7.18	22%

Month	Percentage of Out-of-School Participants Working (Paid Work)	Average Hours Worked Per Week Of Out-of-School Working	Average Hourly Wage Of Out-of-School Working	Percentage of Out-of-School Working with Subsidized Wages
October	65%	20.7	\$7.25	13%
November	66%	21	\$7.30	13%
December	67%	21	\$7.29	13%

Month	Percentage of Those Working Above State Minimum Wage	Percentage of Those Working Above Federal Minimum Wage
October	52%	90%
November	53%	90%
December	55%	91%

¹Work here is defined as any participant with any hours of paid work in a given week. Detailed employment data (e.g., part time, full time, group or individual placement) is provided in the quarterly report.

²Includes college dormitory.

If Not Working and Not Going to School, Why?

	Looking for work (11a)	Staying home to take care of family (11b)	Unable to get child care help (11c)	Unable to find job (11d)	Unable to work due to health problems (11e)	Unable to find transportation (11f)	Unwilling to give up SSI or other benefits (11g)	Need more training for job (11h)	Uninterested in working (11i)	None (11j)	Work at home (11k)
October 06 (n=32)	81% (26/32)	6%	6%	62%	22%	6%	0%	50%	6%	6%	0%
		(2/32)	(2/32)	(20/32)	(7/32)	(2/32)	(0/32)	(16/32)	(2/32)	(2/32)	(0/32)
November 06 (n=42)	64%	7%	5%	55%	19%	5%	2%	48%	7%	7%	0%
	(27/42)	(3/42)	(2/42)	(23/42)	(8/42)	(2/42)	(1/42)	(20/42)	(3/42)	(3/42)	(0/42)
December 06 (n=45)	64%	4%	4%	55%	18%	7%	2%	44%	7%	7%	0%
	(29/45)	(2/45)	(2/45)	(23/45)	(8/45)	(3/45)	(1/45)	(20/45)	(3/45)	(3/45)	(0/45)