



Bridges Update

California's Bridges to Youth Self-Sufficiency

March, 2006 Update

PARTICIPANT UPDATE

Month	Previous Total	New Participants	Disenrolled	Current Total
January	334	3	2	335
February	335	6	2	339
March	339	5	4	340

GENERAL DEMOGRAPHICS

Month	Male	Female	Currently Using SSA Benefits	In School (K-22)
January	55%	45%	69%	58%
February	54%	46%	68%	58%
March	55%	45%	68%	58%

SELECTED REPORT

Employment Data for Bridges Participants Out-of-School and Working (Feb06-Mar06)

Month	Age	Total Participants	Average Hourly Wage	Average Hours Worked Per Week	Percent Subsidized Wage
February 06	18-22	28	\$7.72	20.9	11%
	22+	47	\$6.58	18.9	15%
March 06	18-22	30	\$7.82	21.8	7%
	22+	46	\$6.63	19.1	15%

AGE

Month	14-16	17-19	20-21	22+	Average Age
January	8%	39%	26%	27%	20.5
February	8%	39%	26%	27%	20.5
March	7%	39%	27%	27%	20.6

LIVING ARRANGEMENT

Month	Foster/Group Home	Independent without support	Parents/Relatives/Legal Guardians	Supervised or Supported Living	School Dormitory ²	Other
January	3%	7%	82%	3%	2%	3%
February	3%	7%	82%	3%	2%	3%
March	3%	7%	82%	3%	2%	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
January	44%	16.1	\$6.74	25%
February	46%	17.5	\$6.73	28%
March	49%	16.2	\$6.77	29%

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
January	52%	20.51	\$7.03	11%
February	53%	19.6	\$7.00	18%
March	53%	20.2	\$7.10	12%

Month	Percentage of Those Working Above State Minimum Wage	Percentage of Those Working Above Federal Minimum Wage
January	41%	89%
February	40%	89%
March	43%	90%

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.