Bridges Update

California's Bridges to Youth Self-Sufficiency

October 2007 Update

PARTICIPANT UPDATE

Month	Previous Total	New Participants	Disenrolled	Current Total
August	404	13	1	416
September	416	9	7	418
October	418	6	3	421

GENERAL DEMOGRAPHICS

Month	Male	Female	Currently Using SSA Benefits	In School (K-22)
August	57%	43%	71%	52%
September	56%	44%	71%	53%
October	56%	44%	71%	51%

SELECTED REPORT

Employment Data for Bridges Participants Out-of-School and Working (August 07 - October 07)

Month	Age	Total Participants	Average Hourly Wage	Average Hours Worked Per Week	Percent Subsidized Wage
August 07	18-22	39	$8.04	23.7	8%
	22+	80	$7.43	21.7	14.5%
September 07	18-22	38	$7.82	23.7	8%
	22+	79	$7.58	22.0	15%
October 07	18-22	36	$7.87	24.7	5%
	22+	82	$7.59	21.6	16%

AGE

Month	14-16	17-19	20-21	22+	Average Age
August	3%	27%	32%	38%	21.7
September	3%	27%	31%	39%	21.5
October	3%	27%	31%	39%	21.5

LIVING ARRANGEMENT

Month	Foster/Group Home	Independent Without Support	Parents/ Relatives/ Legal Guardians	Supervised or Supported Living	School Dormitory[2]	Other
August	3%	8%	83%	3.5%	.5%	2%
September	3%	7%	83%	3.5%	.5%	3%
October	3%	7%	84%	3.5%	.5%	2%

EMPLOYMENT UPDATE[1]

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
August	47%	19.8	$7.78	17%
September	47%	19.9	$7.69	18%
October	46%	20.1	$7.76	16%

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
August	60%	22.0	$7.63	13%
September	60%	22.6	$7.66	13%
October	57%	22.6	$7.67	12%

Month	Percentage of Those Working Below State Minimum Wage	Percentage of Those Working At State Minimum Wage	Percentage of Those Working Above State Minimum Wage	Percentage of Those Working Above Federal Minimum Wage
August	19%	38%	43%	88%
September	21%	37%	42%	86%
October	21%	33%	45%	87%

[1] Work 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, type of placement) is provided in the quarterly report.

[2] Includes 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)
June 07 (n=49)	55%	8%	4%	33%	24%	6%	6%	31%	12%	10%	0%
	(27/49)	(4/49)	(2/49)	(16/49)	(12/49)	(3/49)	(3/49)	(15/49)	(6/49)	(5/49)	(0/49)
July 07 (n=46)	50%	9%	4%	35%	26%	6%	4%	33%	11%	9%	0%
	(23/46)	(4/46)	(2/46)	(16/46)	(12/46)	(3/46)	(2/46)	(15/46)	(5/46)	(4/46)	(0/46)
August 07 (n=49)	57%	8%	4%	37%	20%	10%	2%	35%	8%	8%	0%
	(28/49)	(4/49)	(2/49)	(18/49)	(10/49)	(5/49)	(1/49)	(17/49)	(5/49)	(4/49)	(0/49)
September 07 (n=55)	51%	7%	2%	29%	24%	7%	4%	34%	9%	9%	0%
	(28/55)	(4/55)	(1/55)	(16/55)	(13/55)	(4/55)	(2/55)	(19/55)	(4/55)	(5/55)	(0/55)
October 07 (n=54)	46%	5%	2%	30%	28%	5%	2%	33%	15%	7%	0%
	(25/54)	(3/54)	(1/54)	(16/54)	(15/54)	(3/54)	(1/54)	(18/54)	(8/54)	(4/54)	(0/54)