

Indian and Native American Youth Program

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Program Description

The Indian and Native American Supplemental Youth Services Program provides summer and year-round employment and training activities for Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian individuals between the ages of 14 and 21. Program resources are targeted to at-risk and the neediest youth who face substantial barriers to education and employment success. This population includes high school dropouts and youth who are basic-skills deficient.

Quarter Highlights

Youth summer employment is a high priority for Native American Tribes. However, most rural reservation areas have few employers to put youth to work during the summer. As a result, Tribes rely on the annual WIA, Section 166 funding to place youth in summer employment where they can earn a wage and receive valuable work experience.

Over the past four quarter period, 2,605 of the 5,603 youth that participated in the youth program were placed in summer employment. Youth participants come from low-income families with little or no opportunity to earn money during the summer months. Through the Native American youth program, these youth are given an opportunity to work and earn money during the summer which is a significant contribution to their family's income. In addition, these youth learn important soft skills for success in the workplace such as time management, communication, and problem-solving.

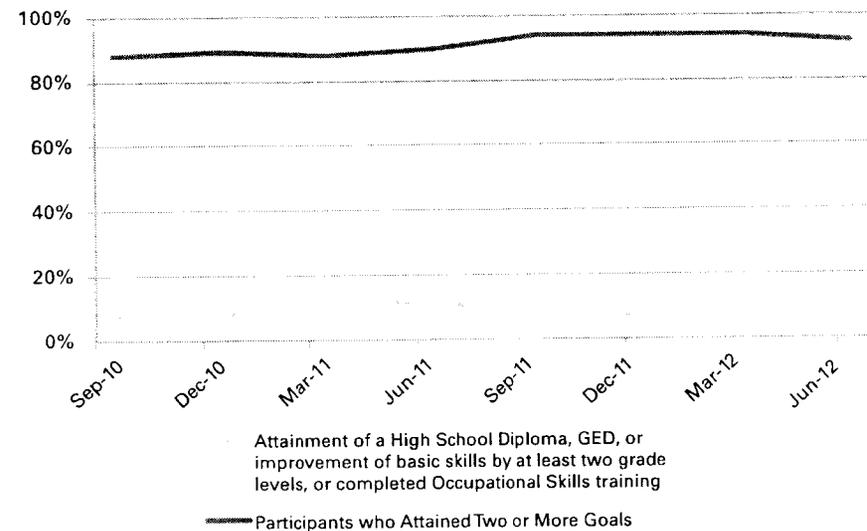
Program Performance

Performance Measure	Four Quarters Ending 06/30/11**	Four Quarters Ending 06/30/12*
Educational Attainment for Dropouts	12%	14%
Attainment of Two or More Goals	90%	92%

* The data reported reflect the period April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012.

** The data reported reflect the period April 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011.

Performance in the Past Eight Quarters



Analysis

- The Educational Attainment for Dropouts for the reporting period was 14 percent compared to 12 percent during the same period one year ago.
- The Attainment of Two or More Goals rate was 92 percent which is a two percent increase from the same period one year ago.
- The Indian and Native American Youth Program served 5,603 youth during the period April 1, 2011, through March 31, 2012. This is a slight decrease in the number of youth served from the same period one year ago.

Note: The Indian and Native American youth program reports on a semi-annual and annual basis. The semiannual period is from April 1st to September 30th and the Annual period is April 1st to March 31st. Therefore, the data reported reflect the period April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012.