

Division of Workforce Solutions (DWS)

1) What information is available on the performance and success of the programs funded under the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) as well as the State's apprenticeship program?

DWS provided the following tables as a snapshot of federal performance indicators from FY2015-16 for the core WIOA programs supported through the Division.

The **WIOA Title I adult programs** focus on career services, training services, and job placement assistance with priority given to recipients of public assistance, other low-income individuals, veterans, and individuals who are basic skills-deficient. There is also a special emphasis on dislocated workers who lost jobs due to plant closures, company downsizing, or some other significant change in market conditions.

The **WIOA Title I youth programs** focus on youth service organizations that offer support to targeted youth in the attainment of a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent, entry into postsecondary education, and career readiness opportunities.

The **WIOA Title III (Wagner-Peyser) programs** work to assist unemployed individuals and other job seekers obtain job search, assessment, and career guidance services to support them in obtaining and retaining employment.

WIOA (Title I)	Adult	Dislocated Worker
Total Participants	122,351	5,493
Entered Employment Rate	65.0%	68.4%
Employment Retention Rate	84.9%	87.8%
6-month Average Earnings	\$12,423	\$15,273

WIOA (Title I)	Youth
Total Participants	5,072
Placement in Employment or Education	61.6%
Attainment of a Degree or Certificate	50.9%
Literacy and Numeracy Gains	42.1%

Wagner-Peyser (Title III)	All Participants	Veterans
Total Participants	465,613	32,233
Entered Employment Rate	65.0%	61.0%
Employment Retention Rate	85.0%	84.0%
6-month Average Earnings	\$12,727	\$15,345

Additional information is available via the latest [annual report](#) dated January 2017.

Pages 24 and 25 of the annual report referenced above demonstrate performance indicators for the **apprenticeship program**, which works to connect employers to apprenticeship participants who receive both classroom and on-the-job during the program. The program is supported primarily through recurring State appropriations of \$850,000 and funds from WIOA totaling \$350,000.

2) What is the breakdown between federal WIOA funds going to local entities versus what is retained at the State?

DWS provided the following breakdown of North Carolina's **\$80,132,221** FY 2016-17 WIOA distribution:

Recipient	Amount	Uses	
Workforce Solutions	\$19,576,026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Administration, oversight, technical assistance to local areas Layoff aversion activities for businesses at risk of closing or laying off staff Rapid response activities for businesses and their employees affected by layoffs and business closures Statewide activities to improve workforce services 	
23 Local Workforce Development Boards	\$60,556,195	Administration:	\$6,055,620
		Adult Programs:	\$21,379,695
		Dislocated Worker:	\$13,815,822
		Youth:	\$19,305,058