

## 315 - Dept of Services for the Blind

### A001 Department of Services for the Blind Administration

This activity provides administrative support and business management for the Department of Services for the Blind. Administrative functions include budgeting, accounting, federal grants management, personnel, facilities management, information technology, and the State Rehabilitation Council for the Blind.

Account	FY 2020	FY 2021	Biennial Total
FTE	15.0	15.0	15.0
<b>001 General Fund</b>			
001-1 State	\$2,094,000	\$2,312,000	\$4,406,000
001-2 Federal	\$130,000	\$160,000	\$290,000
<b>001 Account Total</b>	<b>\$2,224,000</b>	<b>\$2,472,000</b>	<b>\$4,696,000</b>

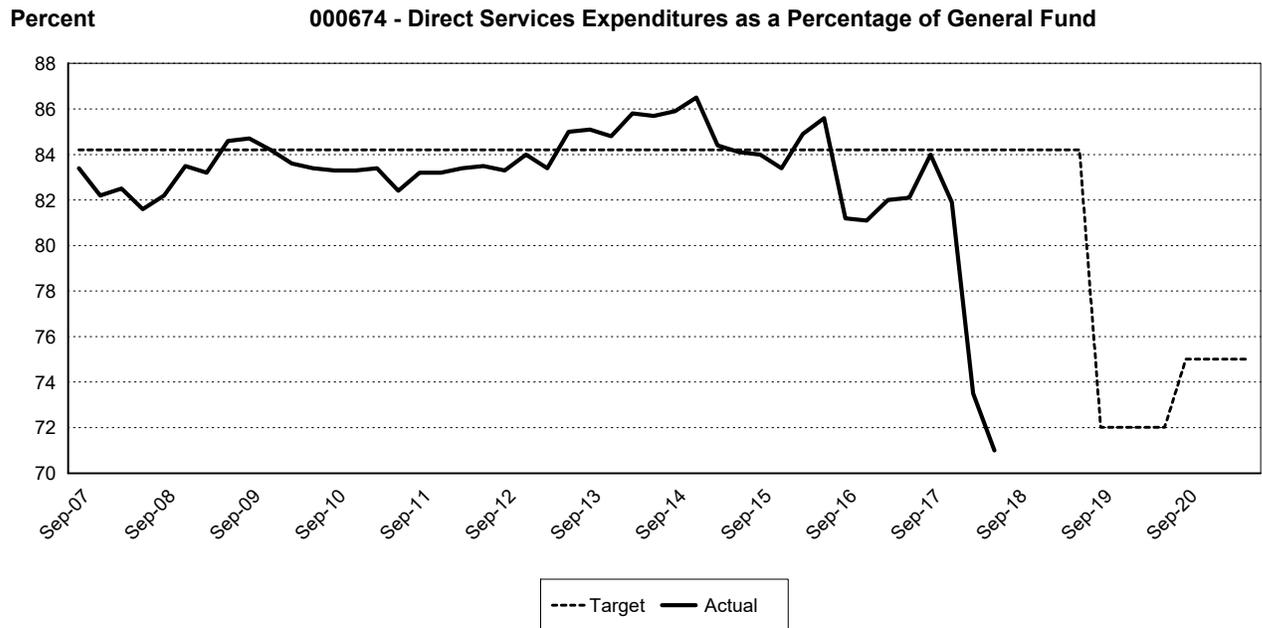
**Statewide Result Area:** Prosperous Economy

**Statewide Strategy:** Return unemployed, underemployed or injured workers to work

#### Expected Results

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<b>000674 Percentage of general fund dollars expended on direct services for the Department of Services for the Blind.</b>			
<b>Biennium</b>	<b>Period</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Target</b>
2019-21	Q8		75%
	Q7		75%
	Q6		75%
	Q5		75%
	Q4		72%
	Q3		72%
	Q2		72%
	Q1		72%
2017-19	Q8		84.2%
	Q7		84.2%
	Q6		84.2%
	Q5		84.2%
	Q4	71%	84.2%
	Q3	73.5%	84.2%
	Q2	81.9%	84.2%
	Q1	84%	84.2%
2015-17	Q8	82.1%	84.2%
	Q7	82%	84.2%
	Q6	81.1%	84.2%
	Q5	81.2%	84.2%
	Q4	85.6%	84.2%
	Q3	84.9%	84.2%
	Q2	83.4%	84.2%
	Q1	84%	84.2%



**A006 Telephonic Reading Services for the Blind**

Telephonic Reading Services provides reading services to blind individuals through the use of phone lines. The service is operated by the National Federation of the Blind in Baltimore, Maryland, and is mandated by RCW 74.18.045.

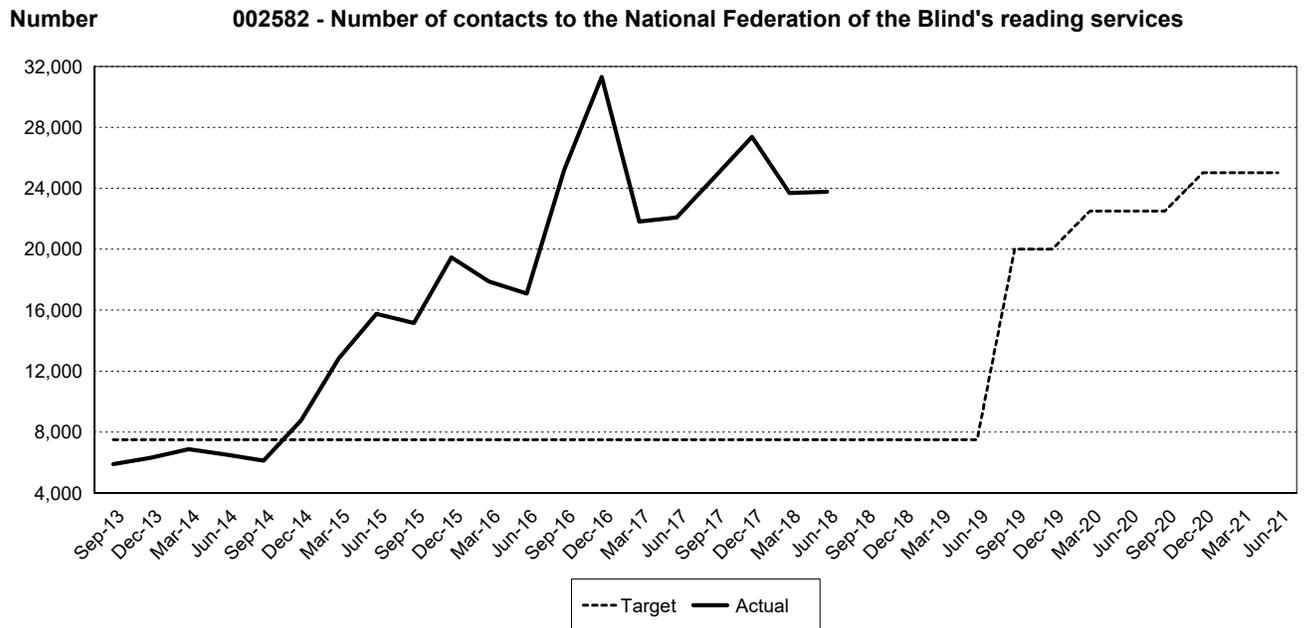
Account	FY 2020	FY 2021	Biennial Total
<b>001 General Fund</b>			
001-1 State	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$80,000

**Statewide Result Area:** Healthy and Safe Communities  
**Statewide Strategy:** Provide support services to children and families

**Expected Results**

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<b>002582 The average monthly total contacts made by users of the National Federation of the Blind's reading services. Technologies include telephone, internet, smartphone apps, talking books, etc.</b>			
Biennium	Period	Actual	Target
2019-21	Q8		25,000
	Q7		25,000
	Q6		25,000
	Q5		22,500
	Q4		22,500
	Q3		22,500
	Q2		20,000
	Q1		20,000
2017-19	Q8		7,500
	Q7		7,500
	Q6		7,500
	Q5		7,500
	Q4	23,776	7,500
	Q3	23,680	7,500
	Q2	27,374	7,500
	Q1	24,739	7,500
2015-17	Q8	22,083	7,500
	Q7	21,813	7,500
	Q6	31,302	7,500
	Q5	25,205	7,500
	Q4	17,098	7,500
	Q3	17,883	7,500
	Q2	19,465	7,500
	Q1	15,154	7,500



**A007 Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Services for the Blind**

The Vocational Rehabilitation Program enables individuals who are blind or visually impaired to become competitively employed by developing their skills, independence, and self-confidence. Through a federal Rehabilitation Services Administration grant, the Department of Services for the Blind provides comprehensive and individualized services to meet each participant's needs and to support each Individual Plan for Employment. Services include vocational counseling; post-secondary education; job readiness training; assistive technology devices, assessment and training; training in adaptive skills of blindness; educational transition services for teens and young adults; assistance with small business development; mental health counseling; transportation; assistance with job search, development, and placement; workplace accommodations; and employer follow-up.

The Washington State Business Enterprise Program (BEP) provides opportunities for qualified legally-blind adults to operate successful food service businesses in government buildings. Types of food service businesses include snack/gift shops, espresso stands, delis, and cafeterias. These opportunities are provided through the federal Randolph-Sheppard Act.

To be eligible for the BEP Training Program, a candidate must: be a legally-blind U.S. citizen; have an aptitude for business management; receive a referral from a Department of Services for the Blind (DSB) counselor; have practical skills; and meet legal criteria for operating a business supported by federal law. DSB provides required training to become a BEP licensee for operating and managing a food-service facility; the essential pieces of food service equipment and small wares for each BEP facility; assistance to the new operator in opening up the facility; and ongoing management assistance and guidance. Funding for this program is generated through vending machines in government buildings and overhead is provided through General Fund–State dollars.

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Account	FY 2020	FY 2021	Biennial Total
<b>FTE</b>	65.0	65.0	65.0
<b>02H Business Enterprises Revolving Account</b>			
02H-6 Non-Appropriated	\$996,000	\$993,000	\$1,989,000
<b>001 General Fund</b>			
001-1 State	\$1,310,000	\$1,410,000	\$2,720,000
001-2 Federal	\$11,760,000	\$11,962,000	\$23,722,000
<b>001 Account Total</b>	<b>\$13,070,000</b>	<b>\$13,372,000</b>	<b>\$26,442,000</b>
<b>489 Pension Funding Stabilization Account</b>			
489-1 State	\$86,000	\$86,000	\$172,000

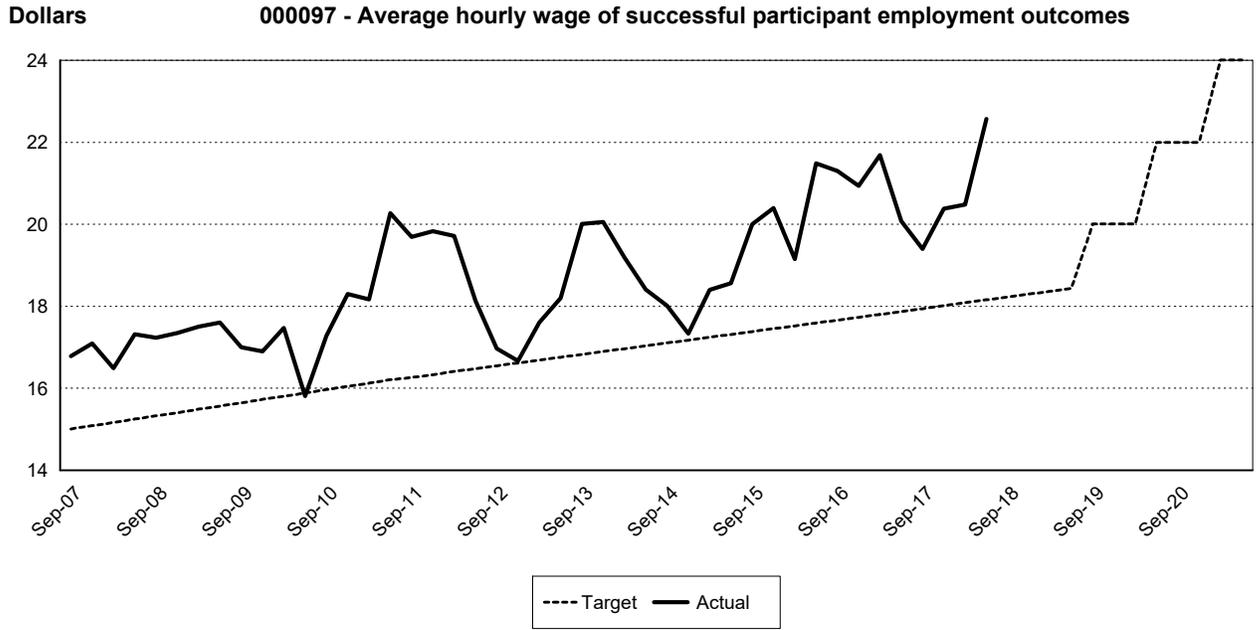
Statewide Result Area: **Prosperous Economy**

Statewide Strategy: **Return unemployed, underemployed or injured workers to work**

**Expected Results**

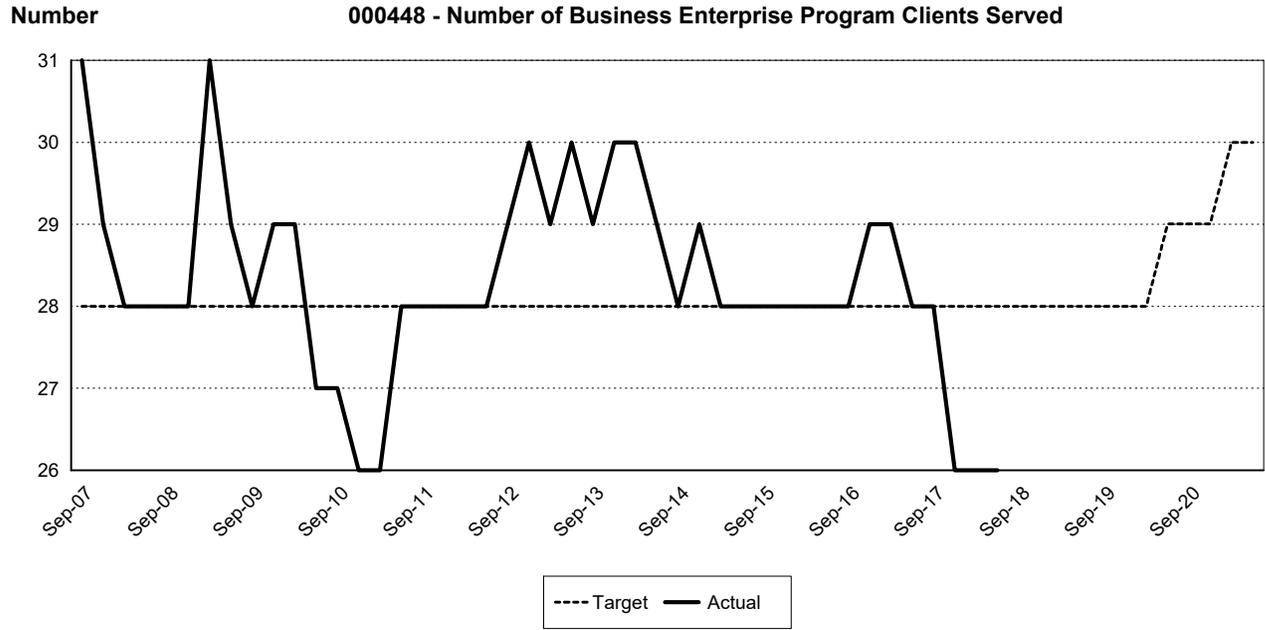
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<b>000097 Average hourly wage of successful Department of Services for the Blind Rehabilitation participant employment outcomes.</b>			
<b>Biennium</b>	<b>Period</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Target</b>
2019-21	Q8		\$24
	Q7		\$24
	Q6		\$22
	Q5		\$22
	Q4		\$22
	Q3		\$20
	Q2		\$20
	Q1		\$20
2017-19	Q8		\$18.43
	Q7		\$18.36
	Q6		\$18.29
	Q5		\$18.22
	Q4	\$22.57	\$18.15
	Q3	\$20.48	\$18.08
	Q2	\$20.38	\$18.01
	Q1	\$19.4	\$17.94
2015-17	Q8	\$20.08	\$17.87
	Q7	\$21.69	\$17.8
	Q6	\$20.94	\$17.73
	Q5	\$21.3	\$17.66
	Q4	\$21.49	\$17.59
	Q3	\$19.15	\$17.52
	Q2	\$20.4	\$17.45
	Q1	\$20	\$17.38



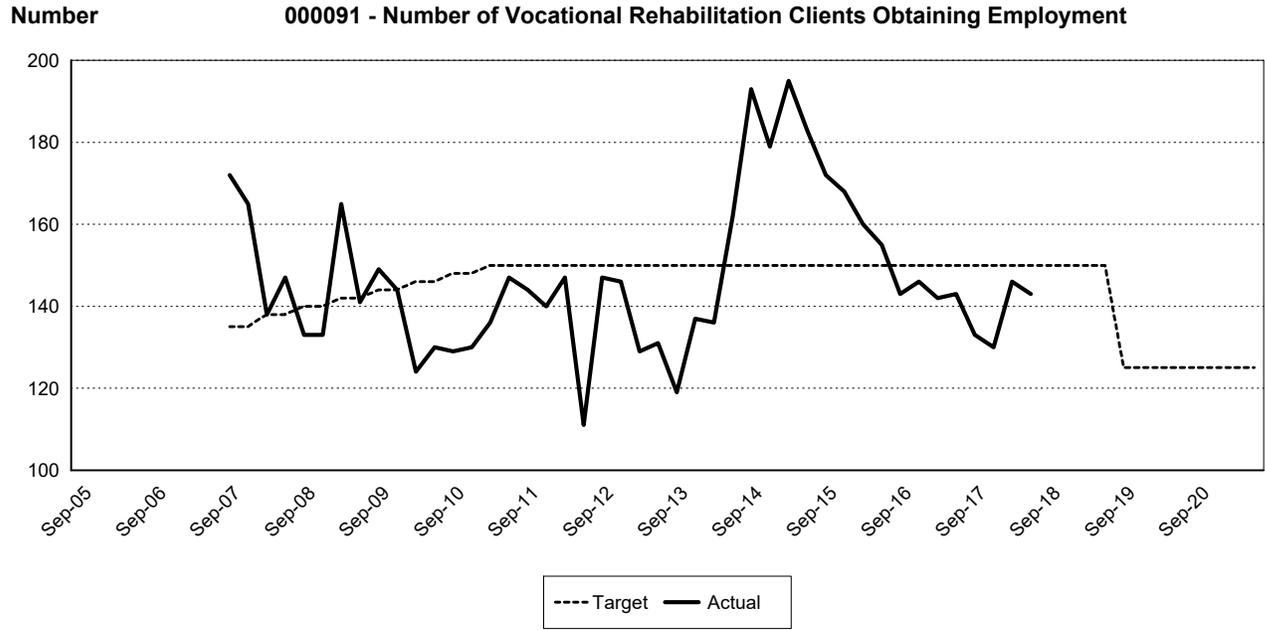
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<b>000448 Number of business enterprise program clients served by the Department of Services for the blind.</b>			
<b>Biennium</b>	<b>Period</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Target</b>
2019-21	Q8		30
	Q7		30
	Q6		29
	Q5		29
	Q4		29
	Q3		28
	Q2		28
	Q1		28
2017-19	Q8		28
	Q7		28
	Q6		28
	Q5		28
	Q4	26	28
	Q3	26	28
	Q2	26	28
	Q1	28	28
2015-17	Q8	28	28
	Q7	29	28
	Q6	29	28
	Q5	28	28
	Q4	28	28
	Q3	28	28
	Q2	28	28
	Q1	28	28



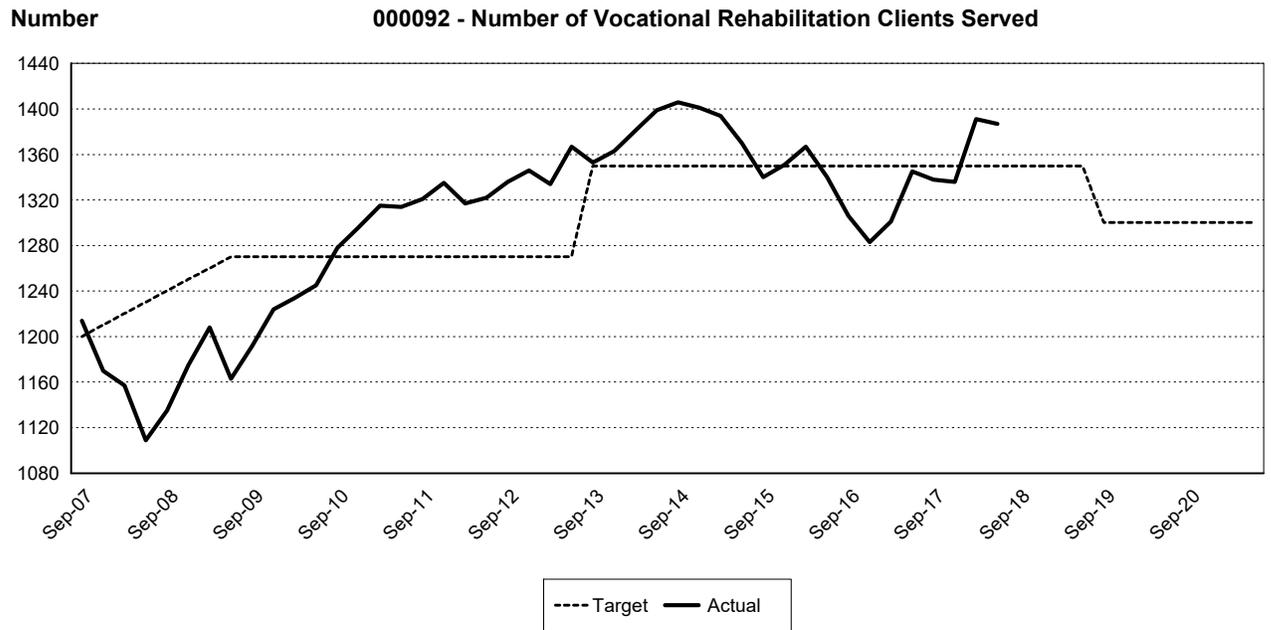
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000091 Number of Department of Services for the Blind Vocational Rehabilitation clients obtaining employment.			
Biennium	Period	Actual	Target
2019-21	Q8		125
	Q7		125
	Q6		125
	Q5		125
	Q4		125
	Q3		125
	Q2		125
	Q1		125
2017-19	Q8		150
	Q7		150
	Q6		150
	Q5		150
	Q4	143	150
	Q3	146	150
	Q2	130	150
	Q1	133	150
2015-17	Q8	143	150
	Q7	142	150
	Q6	146	150
	Q5	143	150
	Q4	155	150
	Q3	160	150
	Q2	168	150
	Q1	172	150



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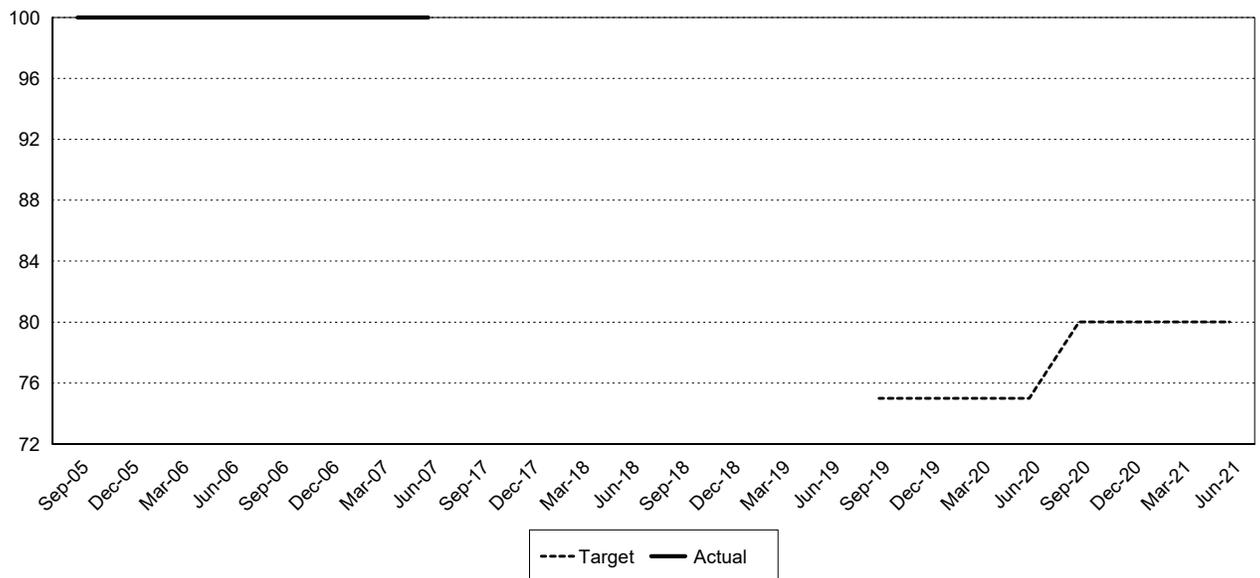
000092 Number of Department of Services for the Blind Vocational Rehabilitation clients served.			
Biennium	Period	Actual	Target
2019-21	Q8		1,300
	Q7		1,300
	Q6		1,300
	Q5		1,300
	Q4		1,300
	Q3		1,300
	Q2		1,300
	Q1		1,300
2017-19	Q8		1,350
	Q7		1,350
	Q6		1,350
	Q5		1,350
	Q4	1,387	1,350
	Q3	1,391	1,350
	Q2	1,336	1,350
	Q1	1,338	1,350
2015-17	Q8	1,345	1,350
	Q7	1,301	1,350
	Q6	1,283	1,350
	Q5	1,306	1,350
	Q4	1,340	1,350
	Q3	1,367	1,350
	Q2	1,351	1,350
	Q1	1,340	1,350



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000096 Percentage of employment outcomes for Department of Services for the Blind Vocational Rehabilitation participants at or above minimum wage.			
Biennium	Period	Actual	Target
2019-21	Q8		80%
	Q7		80%
	Q6		80%
	Q5		80%
	Q4		75%
	Q3		75%
	Q2		75%
	Q1		75%
2017-19	Q8		
	Q7		
	Q6		
	Q5		
	Q4		
	Q3		
	Q2		
	Q1		

Percent 000096 - Percentage of employment outcomes at or above minimum wage



**A008 Community Independent Living and Child and Family Programs**

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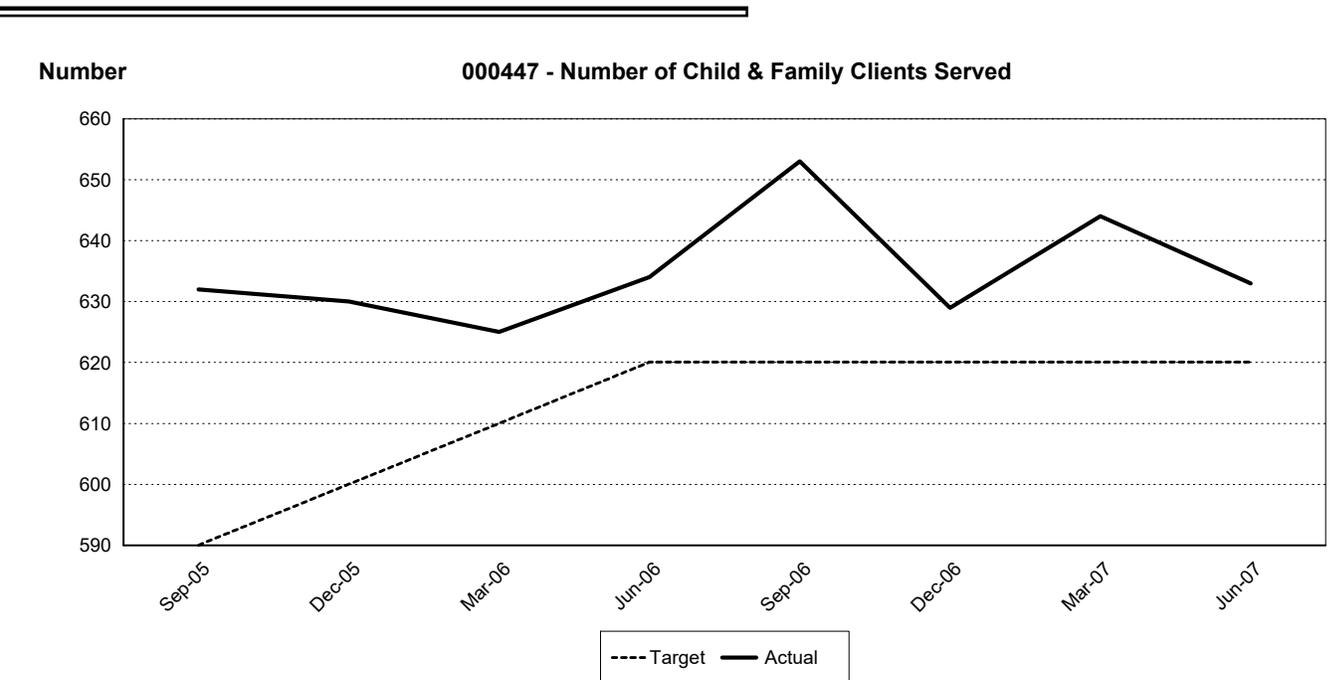
The Department of Services for the Blind (DSB) provides a continuum of support for blind and visually impaired residents of the state through an integrated services model. The Independent Living Program teaches recently blinded residents how to continue living in their homes after vision loss. Service providers visit individuals' homes to provide low-cost devices and instruction in blindness techniques, including how to care for self and home, walking with the use of a cane, and how to continue to read and write. While 96,000 people are potentially eligible for these services, the program currently serves 2,000 individuals, most of whom are age 70 and over.

Through the Independent Living Program, DSB provides consultation services to families of blind children, birth to age 13, and to the organizations that serve them, such as preschools and schools. The program provides support, networking, advice, and information to families, teachers, and others about training, educational programs, and resources unique to the developmental needs of blind children. Transitional services are provided to youth aged 14 to 21 in conjunction with the Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Services Program.

Account	FY 2020	FY 2021	Biennial Total
<b>001 General Fund</b>			
001-1 State	\$209,000	\$209,000	\$418,000
001-2 Federal	\$740,000	\$740,000	\$1,480,000
001-7 Private/Local	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$60,000
<b>001 Account Total</b>	<b>\$979,000</b>	<b>\$979,000</b>	<b>\$1,958,000</b>

**Statewide Result Area:** Healthy and Safe Communities  
**Statewide Strategy:** Provide support services to children and families

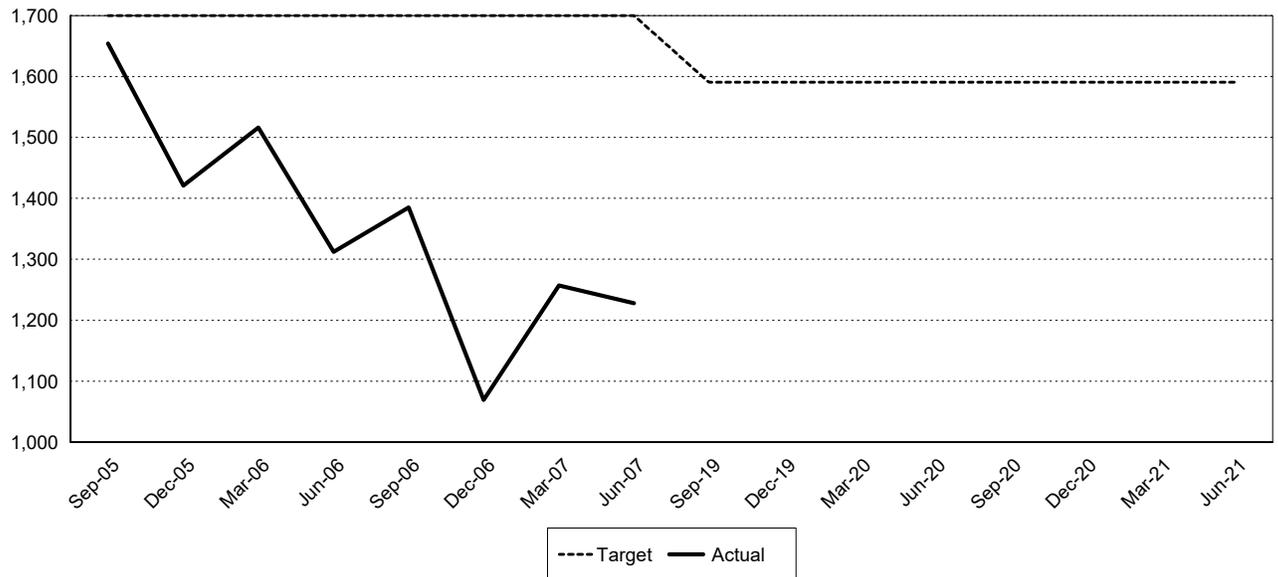
**Expected Results**



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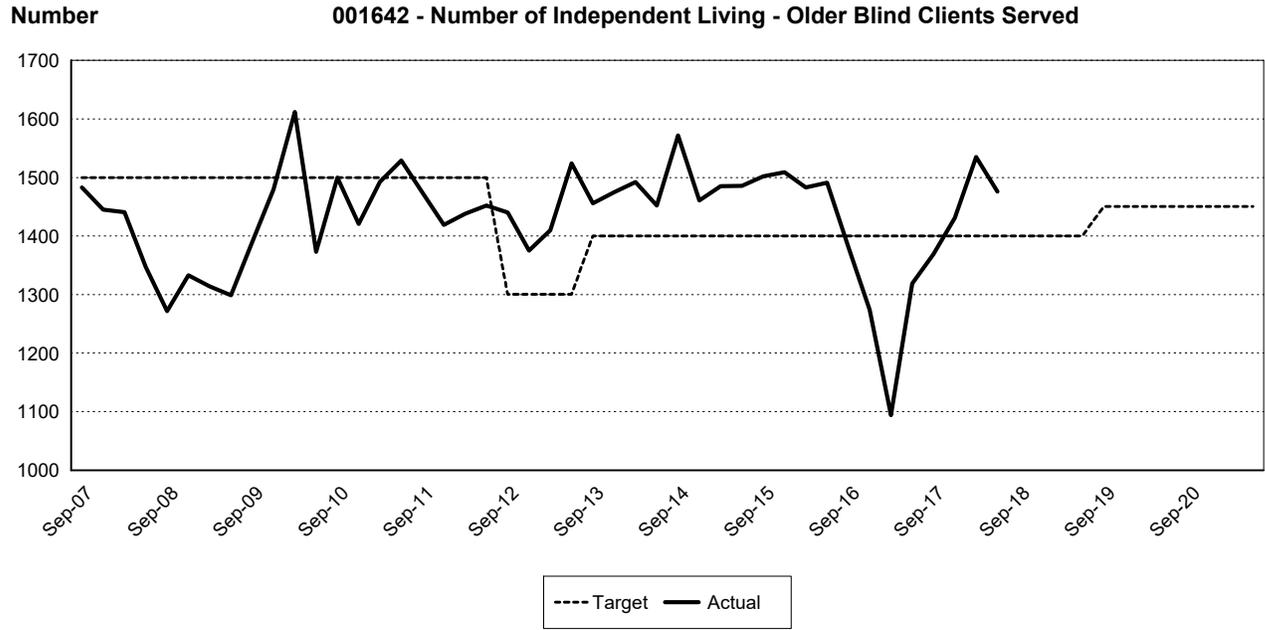
000111 Number of clients served in the independent living program of the Department of Services for the Blind.			
Biennium	Period	Actual	Target
2019-21	Q8		1,590
	Q7		1,590
	Q6		1,590
	Q5		1,590
	Q4		1,590
	Q3		1,590
	Q2		1,590
	Q1		1,590

Number 000111 - Number of Clients Served In The Independent Living Program



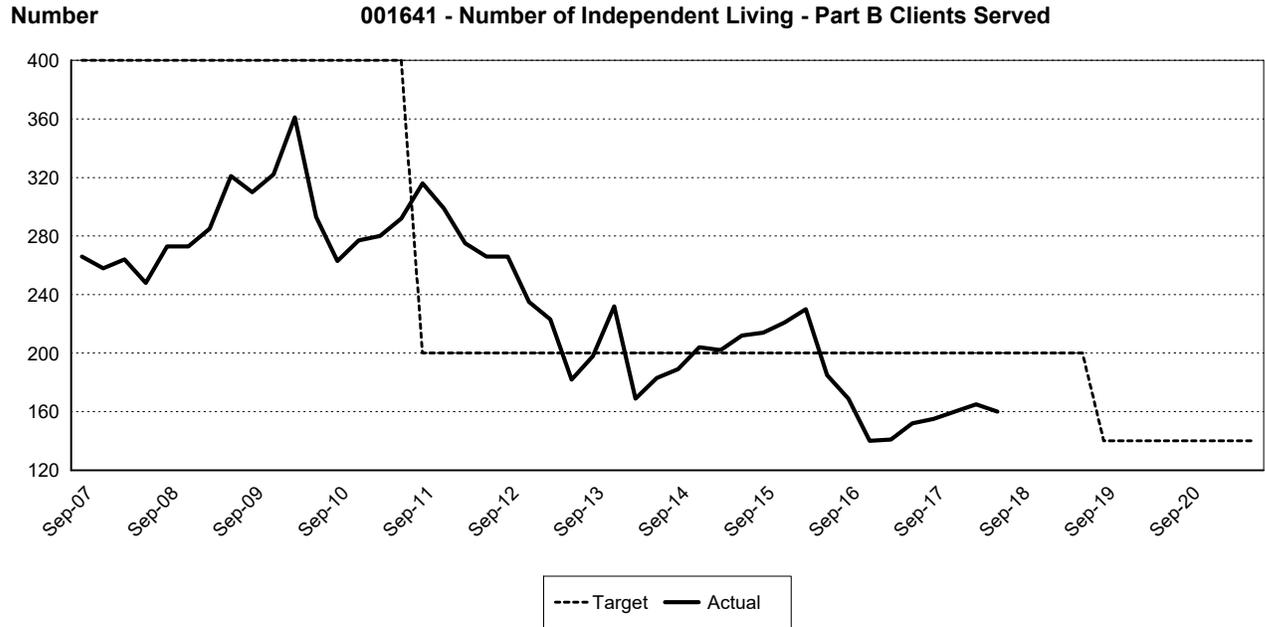
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001642 Number of Department of Services for the Blind Independent Living - Older Blind clients served.			
Biennium	Period	Actual	Target
2019-21	Q8		1,450
	Q7		1,450
	Q6		1,450
	Q5		1,450
	Q4		1,450
	Q3		1,450
	Q2		1,450
	Q1		1,450
2017-19	Q8		1,400
	Q7		1,400
	Q6		1,400
	Q5		1,400
	Q4	1,476	1,400
	Q3	1,535	1,400
	Q2	1,431	1,400
	Q1	1,369	1,400
2015-17	Q8	1,319	1,400
	Q7	1,094	1,400
	Q6	1,274	1,400
	Q5	1,381	1,400
	Q4	1,491	1,400
	Q3	1,483	1,400
	Q2	1,509	1,400
	Q1	1,502	1,400



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001641 Number of Department of Services for the Blind Independent Living - Part B clients served.			
Biennium	Period	Actual	Target
2019-21	Q8		140
	Q7		140
	Q6		140
	Q5		140
	Q4		140
	Q3		140
	Q2		140
	Q1		140
2017-19	Q8		200
	Q7		200
	Q6		200
	Q5		200
	Q4	160	200
	Q3	165	200
	Q2	160	200
	Q1	155	200
2015-17	Q8	152	200
	Q7	141	200
	Q6	140	200
	Q5	169	200
	Q4	185	200
	Q3	230	200
	Q2	221	200
	Q1	214	200



**Grand Total**

	FY 2020	FY 2021	Biennial Total
FTE's	80.0	80.0	80.0
GFS	\$3,653,000	\$3,971,000	\$7,624,000
Other	\$13,742,000	\$13,971,000	\$27,713,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$17,395,000</b>	<b>\$17,942,000</b>	<b>\$35,337,000</b>