

FIP, PATH Employment Activities Report 1

(FY2021 Appropriation Act - Public Act 166 of 2020)

February 1, 2021

Sec. 677. (1) *The department shall establish a state goal for the percentage of family independence program cases involved in employment activities. The percentage established shall not be less than 50%. The goal for long-term employment shall be 15% of cases for 6 months or more.*

(2) *The department shall provide quarterly reports to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees on the department budget, the senate and house fiscal agencies and policy offices, and the state budget director on the number of cases referred to Partnership. Accountability. Training. Hope. (PATH), the current percentage of family independence program cases involved in PATH employment activities, an estimate of the current percentage of family independence program cases that meet federal work participation requirements on the whole, and an estimate of the current percentage of the family independence program cases that meet federal work participation requirements for those cases referred to PATH.*

(3) *The department shall submit to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees on the department budget, the senate and house fiscal agencies, the senate and house policy offices, and the state budget office quarterly reports that include all of the following:*

(a) *The number and percentage of nonexempt family independence program recipients who are employed.*

(b) *The average and range of wages of employed family independence program recipients.*

(c) *The number and percentage of employed family independence program recipients who remain employed for 6 months or more.*



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1. Number of cases referred to PATH:

The number of Family Independence Program (FIP) cases referred to Partnership. Accountability Training. Hope. (PATH) year-to-date as of September 2020 was **128,929**

Source: One Stop Management Information System (OSMIS) data as of October 2020.

Please Note: These numbers are higher due to re-referrals to PATH after suspension of referrals in 2020 due to COVID-19.

2. Current percentage of FIP cases involved in PATH employment activities:

The percentage of FIP cases “involved in PATH employment activities for September 2020 was **13.1%**. The percentage of FIP cases “involved in PATH employment activities for October 2020 was **15.8%**. The percentage of FIP cases “involved in PATH employment activities for November 2020 was **18.1%**. The table below provides a break-down of participants coded as “Work First” and includes all FIP recipients (federal and state-funded) who attended orientation and started an activity.

Please note: December 2020 data will not be available until mid–March 2021 and will be included on the next report.

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By DHHS MWA Code
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	Oct 2020	Nov 2020	Dec 2020	Jan 2021	Feb 2021	Mar 2021	Apr 2021	May 2021	June 2021	July 2021	Aug 2021	Sep 2021	FYTD
Michigan Works! Agency													
2 - Region 7B	25.0%	47.6%											36.3%
4 - Great Lakes Bay	23.6%	19.8%											21.7%
5 - Berrien/Cass/Van Buren	9.2%	11.3%											10.2%
6 - UPWARD Talent Council	27.3%	40.7%											34.0%
7 - Detroit Emp Solutions	13.7%	16.4%											15.1%
13 - GST Michigan Works	12.2%	14.5%											13.3%
14 - Southwest	13.9%	15.6%											14.8%
16 - West Central	14.7%	13.9%											14.3%
17 - Capital Area	17.9%	16.2%											17.0%
19 - Macomb/St. Clair	24.4%	25.1%											24.8%
21 - Northeast	27.3%	30.0%											28.7%
22 - Northwest	20.0%	45.0%											32.5%
23 - Oakland County	18.3%	23.2%											20.8%
30 - SE Michigan Consortium	26.0%	39.7%											32.8%
31 - SEMCA	21.5%	21.3%											21.4%
33 - West Michigan Works	9.6%	9.6%											9.6%
Statewide	15.8%	18.1%											16.9%

Based on DHHS coding of participants as 'WF' or 'WL'. Includes only those who have attended orientation and/or completed AEP. Run by MWA Code assigned by WD.

Work Participation Rate is based on Countable Hours

WD - Run December 28, 2020

Legend: 0 - 29.9% 30-39.9% 40-49.9% 50-59.9% 60-69.9% 70-79.9% 80%+

Fiscal YTD is October 2020 to current month

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3. Current percentage of FIP cases that meet federal work participation requirement.

The federal Work Participation Rate (WPR) is based on a monthly review of a statistically valid sample of federally funded active FIP recipients who have been referred to PATH and have completed the required FIP 21-day orientation. Reviews are completed by the MDHHS Compliance Division (*formerly - Office of Quality Assurance and Internal Control*) and the WPR is calculated per federal regulations. The current percentage of federally funded FIP cases (meeting the above qualifications) that meet federal WPR requirements broken down by month for the 4th quarter of Fiscal Year 2020 is:

July 2020	7.77%
August 2020	13.06%
September 2020	15.53%

The year-to-date work participation rate through the 4th quarter of Fiscal Year 2020 (October 2019 – September 2020) is **32.23%** as of January 6, 2021. The FIP WPRs are point-in-time rates subject to change based on receipt of verifications and review by the federal Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families.

Please Note: The following table provides details regarding the data included for each quarterly report for Fiscal Year 2021. The MDHHS Compliance Division reports WPR on a three-month lag because of the rigorous methodology and testing required to calculate the data.

Reporting Month	Report Number	MDHHS Compliance Division Period Covered	WDA/MWA Period Covered
January 2021	1	FY 2020 Q4 (Jul-Sep 2020) and FY 2020 YTD Oct 2019-Sep 2020	FY 2021 Q1
April 2021	2	FY 2021 Q1 (Oct-Dec 2020) and FY 2021 YTD Oct 2020-Dec 2020	FY 2021 Q2
July 2021	3	FY 2021 Q2 (Jan-Mar 2021) and FY 2021 YTD Oct 2020-Mar 2021	FY 2021 Q3
October 2021	4	FY 2021 Q3 (Apr-Jun 2021) and FY 2021 YTD Oct 2020-Jun 2021	FY 2021 Q4

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4. Current percentage of the FIP cases that meet federal work participation requirements for those referred to PATH.

Of the reviewed population of clients who were PATH participants supervised by the Michigan Works! Agencies, the percentage of clients who met the federal work requirements broken down by month for the 4th quarter of Fiscal Year 2020 is:

July 2020	10.51%
August 2020	13.04%
September 2020	12.41%

The year-to-date work participation rate for PATH participants supervised by the Michigan Works! Agencies through the 4th quarter of Fiscal Year 2020 (October 2019 – September 2020) is **37.73%** as of January 6, 2021.

Please note that the numbers for this report have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic that begin in March 2020.