

Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA)

Research Presentation

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Nevada Adult Education

Currently Funded Programs

- Las Vegas-Clark County Library District Adult Learning Program
- College of Southern Nevada
- Truckee Meadows Community College
- Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada
- Northern Nevada Literacy Council
- College and Career Readiness Program, Western Nevada College
- Great Basin College

Indirect Workforce Research Findings

FINDINGS

- Nevada's AE system served 24,786 individuals who exited the program and consented to share data between January 2017 to July 2024.
- Only approximately 9% were served in K-12 between 2009 to 2024. Almost half of the participants with records of attending K–12 education in Nevada were eligible for free or reduced-price lunch.
- The percentage of participants who earned at least one educational functioning level (EFL) gain increased from 31.7% to 52.4% over time (of those exiting the program 2018–2024).

Participants' Demographics

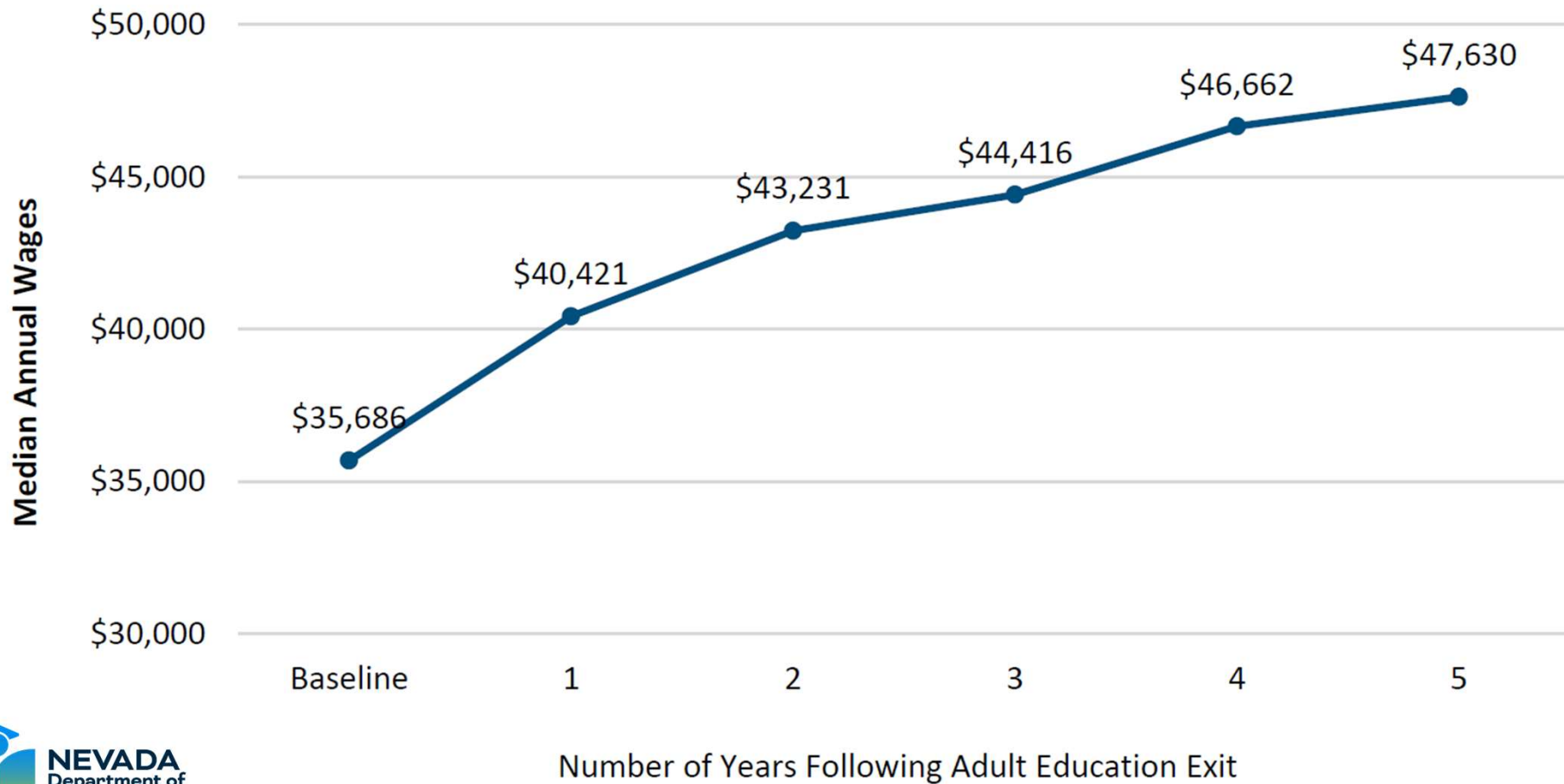
- 68% were Hispanic.
- 61% were Women.
- 53% were 25-44 years old.

Workforce Key Findings

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- Adult education participants experienced short- and long-term wage growth. Adult education participants' wages grew by 11% from baseline to the first year after their exit. Short-term wage growth was higher for participants who earned at least one EFL gain during their program (13.9%) than those who did not (9.7%).
- Short-term wages increased for women and men and all racial subgroups.
- Participants' wages grew by 33% from baseline to the fifth year after their exit.
- By the fifth year after their exit, AE participants' hourly wage (\$22.90) exceeded the hourly wage of the average employee in Nevada (\$21.54) and the hourly wage needed to meet basic needs in a one-adult household in Nevada (\$22.46).

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- Some participants only started consistently earning wages in Nevada after exiting their program, so they do not have baseline data. Their wages grew by 42% from the first year to the fifth year after exit. (1,432 participants)

Adult Education Issues

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- The current continuing resolution provides federal funding for the next program year, 2025-26.
- The President's budget zeroed out adult education for the following program year, 2026-27.

Questions

