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To: Chief Elected Officials
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MassHire Workforce Board Directors
MassHire Career Center Directors
MassHire Fiscal Officers
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cc: WIOA State Partners

From: Diane Hurley, Acting Director
MassHire Department of Career Services

Date: June 16, 2023

Subject: **Disadvantaged Youth and Adult Data Required for Annual WIOA Allocations**

Purpose: To notify MassHire Workforce Boards, MassHire Career Center Operators and other workforce partners of data required to be used in development of annual Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Youth and Adult sub-state allocations.

Background: In March 2023, the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) Boston Regional Office sent an email regarding data that meets the WIOA definition of Disadvantaged Youth and Adults. States are required to use this data in calculating WIOA Youth and Adult statutory sub-state allocation formulas starting in Program Year 2023/Fiscal Year 2024. The data sets are special tabulations of American Community Survey data obtained by ETA from the Census Bureau based on the five-year moving average using data collected between January 1, 2016 and December 31, 2020.

ETA posted the data at the link below:

<https://www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/budget/formula/disadvantagedyouthadults>

ETA will publish a Training and Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) announcing and explaining the updated data. In the interim, the information in [TEGL 14-17](#), *Updated Disadvantaged Youth and Adult Data for use in Program Year (PY) 2018 and future Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Youth and Adult Within-State Allocation Formula*, is still mostly relevant.

Action

Required: WIOA allocations for MassHire workforce areas for FY2024 will use updated data meeting the WIOA definition of Disadvantaged Youth and Adults as directed by ETA.

Effective: Immediately