

Los Angeles County Treatment/Recovery Programs -- Admissions and Participants

ADPA contracts with community-based agencies to provide a range of treatment and recovery services to County residents with alcohol and drug problems. Each time an individual enters or departs from a program, admission and discharge information is collected. Since a participant may be admitted to more than one program during a fiscal year, or return to the same program more than once, the number of admissions can be greater than the number of individual participants.

Chapter 1 provides participant and admission statistics on the total number of alcohol and drug treatment/recovery programs contracted with ADPA.

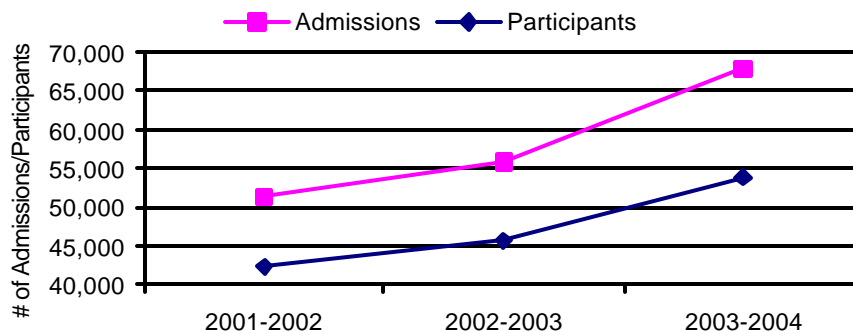
- ◆ The Alcohol and Drug Treatment/Recovery Program provided services to a total of 53,892 participants who accounted for a total of 67,811 program admissions during the 2003-04 Fiscal Year. [Table 1.1]

Table 1.1 - Total Number of Admissions and Participants by Fiscal Year

Fiscal Year	Treatment/Recovery Programs	
	Admissions	Participants
2001-02	51,363	42,314
2002-03	55,814	45,747
2003-04	67,811	53,892

- ◆ Figure 1.1 shows that over three fiscal years (2001-02 to 2003-04), the total annual number of program admissions increased by 32% and individual participants increased by 27%. From 2001-02 to 2002-03, participants and admissions gradually increased and then a sharper increase occurred in 2003-04. This increase may be attributable to an increase in funding and/or participant needs.

Figure 1.1 No. of AOD Treatment/Recovery Admissions/Participants by FY



- ◆ The characteristics of treatment/recovery participants remained relatively constant over three fiscal years (2001-02 to 2003-04). Most participants were male, most were between 25 and 44 years of age, and most completed between 9 and 12 years of education. [Table 1.2]
- ◆ From 2001-02 to 2003-04, the primary drug problem reported by most participants was alcohol, methamphetamine, or cocaine/crack. One notable change in the primary drug problem reported by participants over these three fiscal years has been the steady increase in methamphetamine use. [Table 1.2]

**TABLE 1.2 – Total Program Participants By Fiscal Year
And Key Demographics***

Characteristics	2001-02		2002-03		2003-04	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Admissions	51,363	100.0	55,814	100.0	67,811	100.0
Participants	42,314	100.0	45,747	100.0	53,892	100.0
<u>Gender</u>						
Male	27,238	64.4	30,212	66.0	35,808	66.4
Female	15,076	35.6	15,535	34.0	18,084	33.6
<u>Race/Ethnicity</u>						
White	12,009	28.4	12,617	27.6	15,593	28.9
Black/African American	12,019	28.4	12,244	26.8	13,367	24.8
Latino	15,919	37.6	17,830	39.0	21,691	40.2
Native American	480	1.1	472	1.0	533	1.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	808	1.9	983	2.1	1,150	2.1
Other	1,079	2.5	1,601	3.5	1,558	2.9
<u>Age</u>						
Under 18 years	4,872	11.5	6,725	14.7	6,736	12.5
18 – 20	2,538	6.0	2,320	5.1	3,468	6.4
21 – 24	3,308	7.8	4,031	8.8	4,603	8.5
25 – 44	23,102	54.6	24,084	52.6	27,233	50.5
45 – 64	8,269	19.5	8,378	18.3	11,508	21.4
65 – Over	225	0.5	209	0.5	344	0.6
<u>Education</u>						
None	294	0.7	292	0.6	263	0.5
1 – 8 years	3,332	7.9	3,656	7.9	4,164	7.7
9 – 12 years	32,658	77.1	35,839	78.4	42,462	78.8
13 or more years	6,030	14.3	5,960	13.1	7,003	13.0
<u>Employment Status</u>						
Employed	5,833	13.8	7,146	15.6	9,623	17.9
Unemployed	36,481	86.2	38,601	84.4	44,269	82.1
<u>Homeless</u>						
Yes	8,779	20.7	9,150	20.0	10,154	18.8
No	33,535	79.3	36,597	80.0	43,738	81.2
<u>Primary Drug Problem</u>						
Alcohol	9,812	23.2	9,959	21.8	11,372	21.1
Cocaine/Crack	9,789	23.1	10,144	22.2	10,525	19.5
Heroin	7,591	17.9	6,691	14.6	9,160	17.0
Marijuana/Hashish	6,440	15.2	7,828	17.1	8,930	16.6
Methamphetamine	6,841	16.2	8,943	19.5	11,399	21.2
Other	1,841	4.4	2,182	4.8	2,506	4.7

*Percents in this report do not always sum to 100% due to rounding.

2003-04 Fiscal Year

Source: ADPA Contracted Treatment/Recovery Programs – Los Angeles County Participant Reporting System