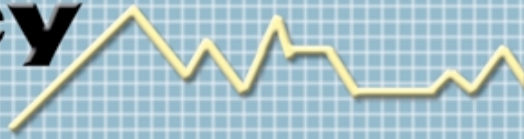


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Adult Education and Literacy Appropriations Estimates Released

As of Dec. 6, 2004, Congress had not yet approved a final appropriations bill for the fiscal year that began on October 1. However, the following numbers for adult education and literacy appropriations are likely to be approved when Congress acts on the pending omnibus appropriations bill before the holiday recess:

Adult Education Funding Chart
(Amount in \$ thousands)

Funding for Selected Programs	FY04 Final	FY05 Admin. Request	FY05 House	FY05 Senate	FY05 Final*	Difference
Adult Basic and Literacy Education State Grants	574,372	574,372	574,372	574,266	569,672	4,700
National Leadership Activities	9,169	9,169	9,169	9,169	9,096	73
National Institute for Literacy	6,692	6,692	6,692	6,692	6,638	54
Subtotal, Adult Education	590,233	590,233	590,233	590,127	585,406	4,827
Even Start	246,910	0	226,910	0	225,095	21,815

* Please note that these numbers include an 0.80% across-the-board cut to all discretionary, non-homeland defense, non-military spending.

More detailed information about the final Department of Education budget in its entirety can be found at <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/budget05/05action.pdf>.