

Employee Wellness

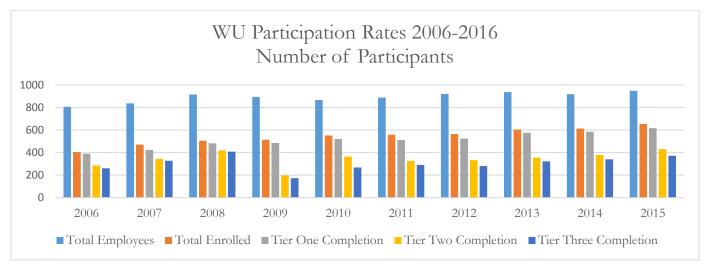
10 Year Report

Fall 2006 – Spring 2016

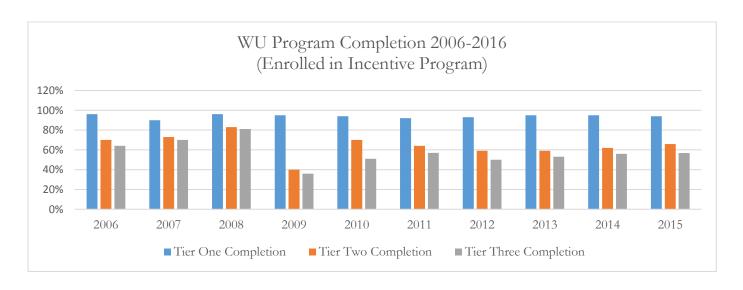
Washburn's Employee Wellness Program was launched in the fall of 2006. Ten years later the program continues to flourish, with approximately 69% of Washburn University, Washburn Institute of Technology, and Washburn University Foundation benefits-eligible employees participating in the program. Washburn is continuously aiming to fulfill the program's mission: promoting a culture of wellness by facilitating a supportive environment that encourages university faculty and staff to initiate and maintain behaviors that enhance their total health.

## **Employee Wellness Program Tier Participation**

WU Employee Wellness Participation Rates 2006-2016												
2006         2007         2008         2009         2010         2011         2012         2013         2014         2015												
Total Employees	805	837	915	894	867	887	919	936	918	947		
Total Enrolled	404	470	504	513	551	558	564	604	612	653		
Tier One Completion	389	424	482	485	520	512	525	575	584	617		
Tier Two Completion	284	344	419	196	364	326	333	356	378	430		
Tier Three Completion	260	327	408	173	267	290	280	321	340	371		



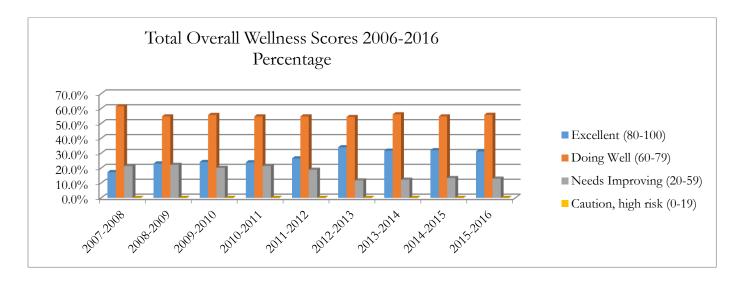
WU Employee Wellness Program Completion 2006-2016											
2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 201										2015	
Tier One Completion	96%	90%	96%	95%	94%	92%	93%	95%	95%	94%	
Tier Two Completion	70%	73%	83%	40%	70%	64%	59%	59%	62%	66%	
Tier Three Completion	64%	70%	81%	36%	51%	57%	50%	53%	56%	57%	



## **Employee Overall Wellness**

The following data provides the aggregate wellness scores of all the employees completing an Employee Wellness Program health assessment. These scores take all risk factors, some of which include obesity, cholesterol, glucose, smoking, and stress levels into account.

Total Overall Wellness 2006-2016												
2006   2007   2008   2009   2010   2011   2012   2013   2014   2015												
Excellent	17.5%	17.3%	23.1%	24.1%	23.9%	26.5%	34%	31.7%	32.0%	31.20%		
Doing Well	54.6%	61.5%	54.7%	55.7%	54.7%	54.7%	54.3%	56.1%	54.7%	55.8%		
Needs Improving	27.8%	21.3%	22.2%	20.2%	21.4%	18.9%	11.7%	12.2%	13.3%	12.9%		
Caution, high risk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		

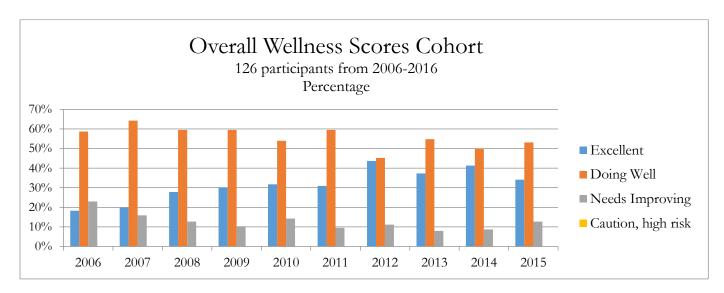


<sup>\*</sup>Through the Wellsource Inc. Wellsuite portal the EWP program is able to analyze multiple areas of wellness. The wellness scores are generated by combining multiple health factors. Wellness scores are grouped into four categories: Excellent: Wellness Score of 80-100; Good/ Doing Well: Wellness Score of 60-79; Fair/ Needs Improving: Wellness Score of 20-59; Poor/Caution: Wellness Score of 0-19.

## **Employee Wellness Program Trends**

The following data reflects wellness score trends for the participants who have completed an Employee Wellness health assessment in each of the first ten years of the program's existence.

Overall Wellness Scores Cohort of participants 2006-2016 (Percent)											
2006   2007   2008   2009   2010   2011   2012   2013   2014   2015											
Excellent	18%	20%	28%	30%	32%	31%	44%	37%	41%	34%	
Doing Well	59%	64%	60%	60%	54%	60%	45%	55%	50%	53%	
Needs Improving	23%	16%	13%	10%	14%	10%	11%	8%	9%	13%	
Caution, high risk	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	



<sup>\*</sup> The 10 Year Cohort consists of 126 employees with an average age of 54 years of age. These employees have completed at least Tier 1 of the EWP since the inception of the EWP in 2006.

## Return on Investment (ROI)

Many organizations are very interested in calculating their ROI when it comes to employee wellness. The assumption is that we should be able to arrive at some numerical figure that illustrates what kind of "bang for our buck" we are getting. This chart illustrates why the EWP should be viewed as an investment rather than an expense.

Return on Investment Estimates for the Washburn University Employee Wellness Program											
Fiscal Year	Actual Budget Expenditures		8		Total ROI Estimated 1.49:1		ROI Estimated 4.3:1	ROI Estimated 2.38:1*			
2007	\$	81,262	\$ 66,486	\$ 147,748	\$ 220,145	\$ 463,929	\$ 635,316	\$ 351,640			
2008	\$	77,822	\$ 80,401	\$ 158,223	\$ 235,752	\$ 496,820	\$ 680,359	\$ 376,571			
2009	\$	82,610	\$ 97,125	\$ 179,735	\$ 267,805	\$ 564,368	\$ 772,861	\$ 427,769			
2010	\$	84,946	\$ 84,575	\$ 169,521	\$ 252,586	\$ 532,296	\$ 728,940	\$ 403,460			
2011	\$	90,239	\$ 89,547	\$ 179,786	\$ 267,881	\$ 564,528	\$ 773,080	\$ 427,891			
2012	\$	94,243	\$ 87,843	\$ 182,086	\$ 271,308	\$ 571,750	\$ 782,970	\$ 433,365			
2013	\$	85,557	\$ 89,691	\$ 175,248	\$ 261,120	\$ 550,279	\$ 753,566	\$ 417,090			
2014	\$	97,218	\$ 99,099	\$ 196,317	\$ 292,512	\$ 616,435	\$ 844,163	\$ 467,234			
2015	\$	98,683	\$ 100,736	\$ 199,419	\$ 297,135	\$ 626,176	\$ 857,503	\$ 474,618			
2016	\$	99,053	\$ 111,859	\$ 210,913	\$ 314,260	\$ 662,266	\$ 906,924	\$ 501,972			
Totals	\$	891,634	\$ 907,362	\$1,798,996	\$ 2,680,504	\$ 5,648,847	\$ 7,735,682	\$ 4,281,610			

\*O'Donnell, M. P. (2015, January/February). What is the ROI for Workplace Health Promotion? It Really Does Depend, and That's the Point. American Journal of Health Promotion, 29(3).

Washburn's ROI is estimated in the chart above. While it is important to note that this is an estimate, it is also important to note that the research also indicates it is nearly impossible for companies the size of Washburn to accurately obtain results. Factors such as the inability to establish control groups from either a functional or ethical standpoint contribute to the challenge.

ROI can include: increased employee morale, improved employee health, reduced health care costs/utilization, reduced accidents on the job, reduced absenteeism and increased productivity. Research also suggests there is a positive correlation between employee wellness programs and employee recruitment, retention, reputation and presentism.