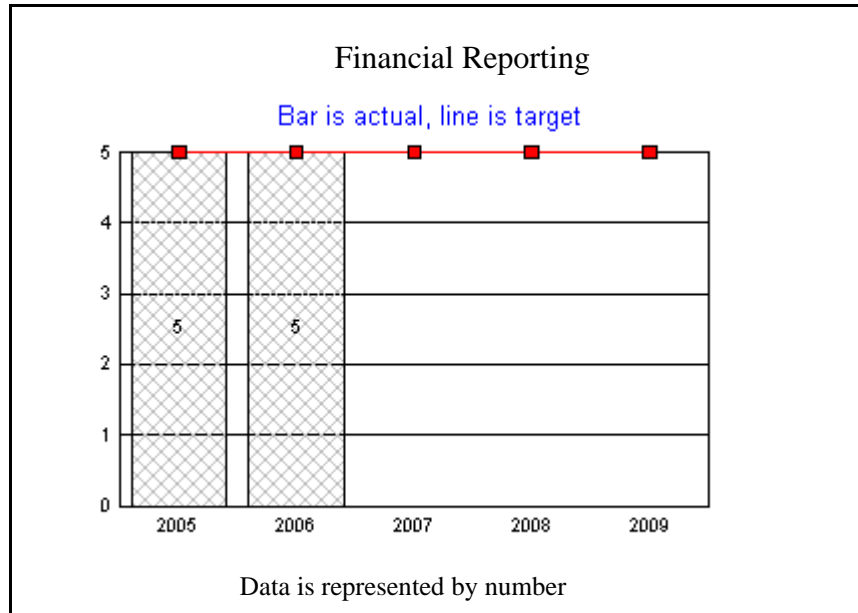


KPM #3	FINANCIAL REPORTING - Number of years out of the last five that State Controller's Division wins GFOA Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting.	1999
Goal	Efficient and effective government infrastructure	
Oregon Context	Lead the pursuit of excellence in state government	
Data Source	GFOA coordinates the review and awards the certificate.	
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1. OUR STRATEGY

Our strategy is to efficiently and effectively manage and coordinate financial reporting activities, which links to the DAS strategic planning goal of efficient and effective government infrastructure.

2. ABOUT THE TARGETS

The target, or goal, is to be awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting every year. This goal was selected based on the State Controller's Division's (SCD) commitment to efficient and effective infrastructure. Attainment of this goal demonstrates that the Division efficiently and effectively utilizes its resources to achieve excellence in financial reporting.

3. HOW WE ARE DOING

SCD has met the target every year since this measure was adopted. Receipt of the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting award signifies that the State's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) meets the high standards of the GFOA program, including receiving an unqualified audit opinion. Earning the certificate demonstrates fiscal accountability, compliance with accounting and financial reporting standards, and a commitment to full and clear disclosures.

4. HOW WE COMPARE

Participation in the GFOA Certificate of Achievement program is voluntary. For FY 2006, 39 state governments submitted their annual financial report to the GFOA for review. All 39 state governments received the award. For fiscal years 2004 and 2005, 95 percent of the states that submitted their reports for review received the award. The source for comparisons is a separate report issued by the GFOA. The results for FY 2007 are not available at this time.

5. FACTORS AFFECTING RESULTS

The extent and complexity of new accounting and financial reporting standards promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) affects our results. Implementation of new standards on a statewide basis requires focusing resources to plan, modify systems as needed, update policies, and provide training to state agencies. Other factors affecting results include fiscal staffing levels at state agencies, level of staff expertise, turnover, and the ability of each agency to provide timely and accurate information for the fiscal year end closing.

6. WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE

SCD needs to recruit and retain highly competent professionals and invest in staff training to keep abreast of new accounting and financial reporting standards. In addition, SCD needs to continue to devote sufficient resources to plan for implementation of new standards, modify systems as needed, and provide clear guidance through policies and training for agency fiscal services staff.

7. ABOUT THE DATA

The data reported is based on Oregon's fiscal year, which ends June 30. Results of the GFOA review are based on an independent, objective analysis performed by members of the GFOA's Special Review Committee using a comprehensive checklist.