

## MSDE Public Website of State Performance Plan Results

State ResultsSpecial Education

Maryland: Indicator 17

Percent of fully adjudicated due process hearing requests that were fully adjudicated within the 45-day timeline or a timeline that is properly extended by the hearing officer at the request of either party.

## Results

	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
State Baseline:	88.61%	-	-	-	-	-	-
State Target:	-	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
State Results:	-	<b>97</b> %	100% Target Met	-	-	-	-

## Narrative Description of Indicator

MSDE met the target. 22 hearing decisions were issued within timelines; 11 were issued within the 45-day timeline, and 11 were issued within a properly extended timeline.

MSDE continues to implement all Improvement Activities, and reports that the procedures MSDE put in place last year to monitor the timeliness of expedited due process hearing decisions have been successful.

There were 16 fewer fully adjudicated hearing decisions within this reporting period, compared to last year. While we understand the decline in the number of due process hearings is a nationwide trend, we also associate this reduction to MSDE's continuing efforts, through in-service trainings with public agency staff and advocates, to promote the use of early dispute resolution options such as mediation and resolution meetings.