

## GOAL 6: Adult Literacy and Lifelong Learning

### State Indicator 21. Adult Literacy

Have states<sup>1</sup> increased the percentages of adults who score at or above Level 3 in prose literacy?

#### Improvement over time

Improvement over time cannot be determined yet because this information has been collected only once at the state level since 1990.

#### Highest-performing states\*

*States with the highest percentages of adults scoring at or above Level 3 in prose literacy:*

	(1992)
Washington	69%
Indiana	58%
<b>U.S.</b>	<b>52%</b>

*\* States that had a significantly higher percentage than the U.S. average.*

#### Most-improved states

*States that made the greatest gains in the percentages of adults scoring at or above Level 3 in prose literacy:*

The states that made the greatest improvements over time cannot be identified yet because this information has been collected only once at the state level since 1990.

<sup>1</sup> The term "state" is used to refer to the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and the outlying areas.