

# Efficiency Measures: Current Efforts in the Context of Budgeting/Planning

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# What are we talking about?

- An efficiency measure is, or refers to, a ratio of program results to inputs.
- Results can be either output or outcome measures.
- Inputs can be EPA cost, FTE, time elapsed, social cost, or other inputs.

# Types and Examples

INPUT	OUTCOME RESULT	OUTPUT RESULT
Social Cost	Cost per cancer case avoided	Avg. PRP cost per LUST remediation
EPA Cost or FTE	Pounds of Pollutants reduced per enf. workyear	Cost per enforcement action
Time	Avg. time to stop GW migration at waste sites	Avg. time to register new chemical

# Why?

- OMB pressure, primarily via Program Assessment Rating Tool (PART).
- Memo from CFO, June 9, 2003
- Our “Proud-To-Be” Milestones---  
Cumulative Number of Effic. Meas. for  
PART programs:
  - Q4/2003 --- 7 (we have about 10 now)
  - Q2/2004 --- 11
  - Q3/2004 --- 32

# What's Next?

- Anticipate increased attention, mostly on PART programs
- Likely eventually will need to provide baselines, targets, and data quality info
- Potential questions about program design and relative efficiency
- Coordination/integration with related efforts?

# Resources

- Performance Measurement Improvement
  - Intranet page content and links---  
<http://intranet.epa.gov/ocfo/perform/pmi/>
  - Team (202-564-7675)
- OCFO Program Cost Accounting Branch