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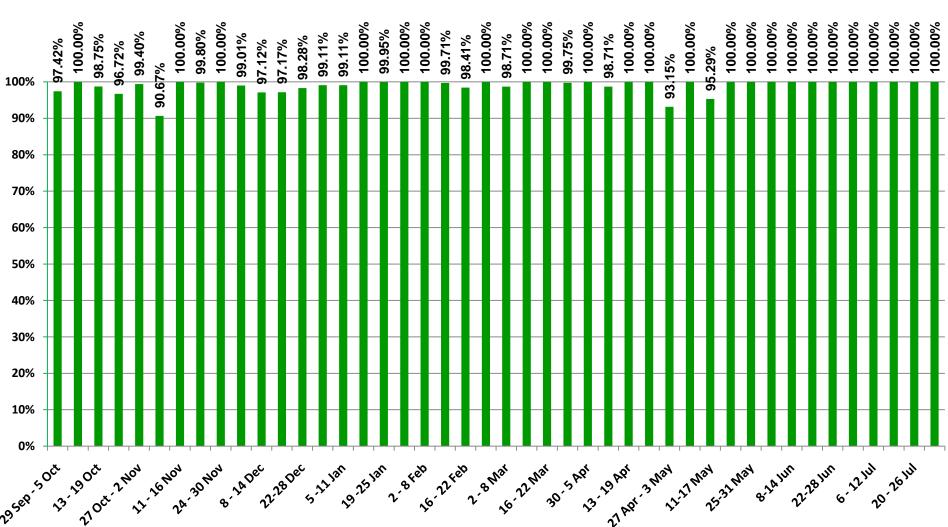


Current State

- Over 900K registrations since 2004
- 1,600 courses hosted
- RSO with CAC through AF Portal or User ID/PW login directly through https://golearn.csd.disa.mil
 - After establishing an account, ADLS is accessible from anywhere (.mil, .com, .edu, etc.)



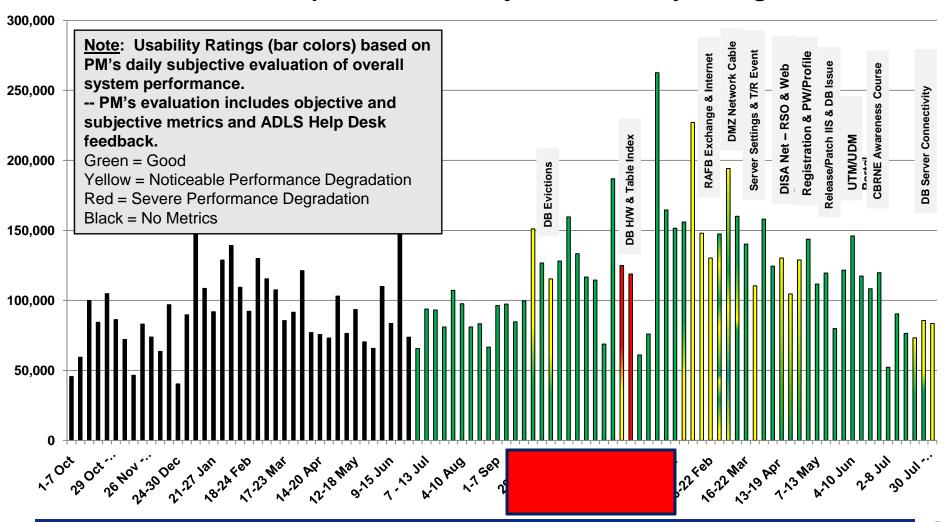
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Course Completions and Subjective Usability Ratings





Management/Utilization

- Content selection and development is decentralized
 - Functional mgrs (not ADLS Prog Office) ID trng reqs
 - School houses (not ADLS Prog Office) ID delivery methodology
 - Content developed/sustained by tng mgrs (not ADLS Prog Office)
- Delivery is centralized (...depending)
 - ADLS focuses more on training (ancillary, upgrade, supplemental)
 - LMS S/W, infrastructure H/W, help desk sustained by ADLS Prog
 - AF Education (AFIT, AU) utilize other technology



Challenges

- Resource and Policy Lag
 - High cost of initial courseware development greatest challenge to progress – POM or find EOY fallout funds
 - Air Force Instruction (AFI) changes take >12 months
- Aligning institutional culture and resources to support and facilitate Distance Learning
- DoD IT Certification & Accreditation procedures impede program management speed, agility, and flexibility



Site Partners

- 16 site partners utilize ADLS to deliver customized training to their communities
 - Provides custom look and feel; utilizes baseline code
 - Examples: Air Mobility Command, Medical Services, Civil Engineers, Security Forces, Financial Mgmt, Weather
 - Partnership governed by a CCB to protect the capability
 - AF Academy and AF Ops Test Center may join in FY10





Inter-Service Collaboration

- Obtained Marine Corps advice (lessons learned) to write an Air Force contract to convert over 1500 classroom hours of Air Force technical training to ADL
- Collaborating with Army (PEO STRI) to utilize their Computer-Based Instructional Dev (CBID) contract vehicle to develop new e-Learning Trainer Modules
- Provided the VA examples of Air Force ADLS courseware



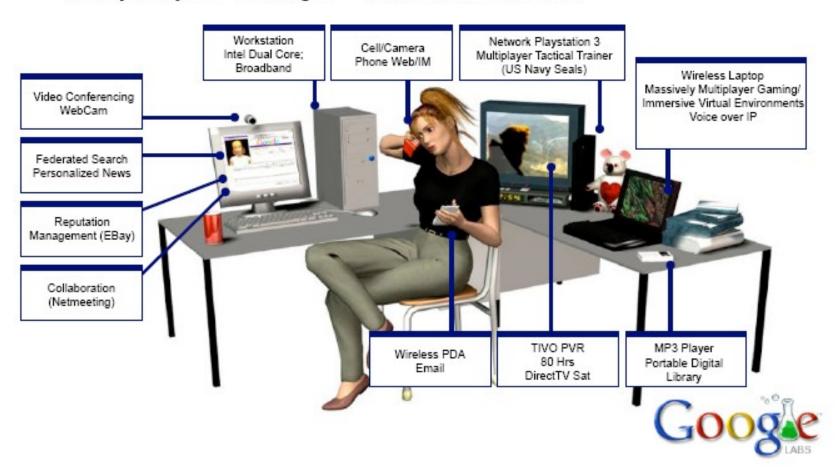
Way-ahead

- Migrate more training to ADL
- Sustain current infrastructure with plan for growth
- Partner with AETC and MAJCOMS to determine future learning requirements, such as offline courseware delivery



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