

Economy demands more educated workforce, more dropouts get GED

(AP) With the economy demanding a more educated workforce, more dropouts are obtaining GEDs (general equivalency diplomas) according to a survey released Monday by the testing program.

The half million GED recipients in 1999 remain, however, a tiny fraction of the more than

45 million Americans who never finished high school. About one in seven high school diplomas issued each year is a GED.

Last year, 506,155 adults in the United States and affiliated islands like Puerto Rico and Guam received a GED, according to the GED Testing Service. That figure was a slight

rise — 4 percent — from 1998, when 490,833 adults passed.

The non-profit GED service is run by the American Council on Education, sponsor of the testing program. ACE, based in Washington, represents 1,800 higher education institutions, organizations and companies.

Years ago, economic booms saw a decline in GED takers. Not now.

"We're finding more and more people realize they have to have some kind of certification," said Fred Edwards, a GED Testing Service official.

The record for the 58-year-old program re-

mains 1996. That year 524,535 U.S. adults got GEDs.

The first General Educational Development diploma was offered in 1942 to American soldiers who interrupted high school to serve in World War II. The tests went civilian in 1947.

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The Russian soldiers were traveling in a three-truck column in Grozny when the rebels attacked, said the office of Sergei Yastrzhembsky, the Kremlin's spokesman for Chechnya. The rebels set off a mine under one of the trucks, then opened fire on the soldiers with automatic weapons and grenade-launchers.

Three Russian soldiers were killed and 17 wounded in the attack.

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Correction
The July 24 article, "GTE defend business," was written by Kim Triffilio.

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Armstrong wins Tour de France

PARIS (AP) — Lance Armstrong raised a glass of champagne before he crossed the finish line, quickly kicking it back. The Frenchman won the Tour de France win that was even sweeter time around.

Then, on the victory podium above his head. Tears welled in the eyes of the 28-year-old Texan, just three years ago was fighting his life against cancer that had led to his lungs and brain.

"It was a hard Tour de France like last year, I'm glad it's finished. I can see more of these guys," Kristin and 9-month-old son, who was dressed in yellow — his dad.

Because of his insurmountable lead in the final stage of the Tour de France, riders joked and downed Armstrong as they coasted past the most sites of Paris and thronged spectators.

Shortly after the cyclists took from the Eiffel Tower, Armstrong donned a long-haired wig. He passed the Louvre Museum, grabbed a pocket camera and snapshots of the flag-waving Americans shooting pictures of him.

He even was passed a glass of cal bubbly and made a toast as pedaled, even though he had declared he wasn't a "champagne kind of guy."

"This one's even more special than last year, partly because of the cradling the son who was born months after his first Tour victory."

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