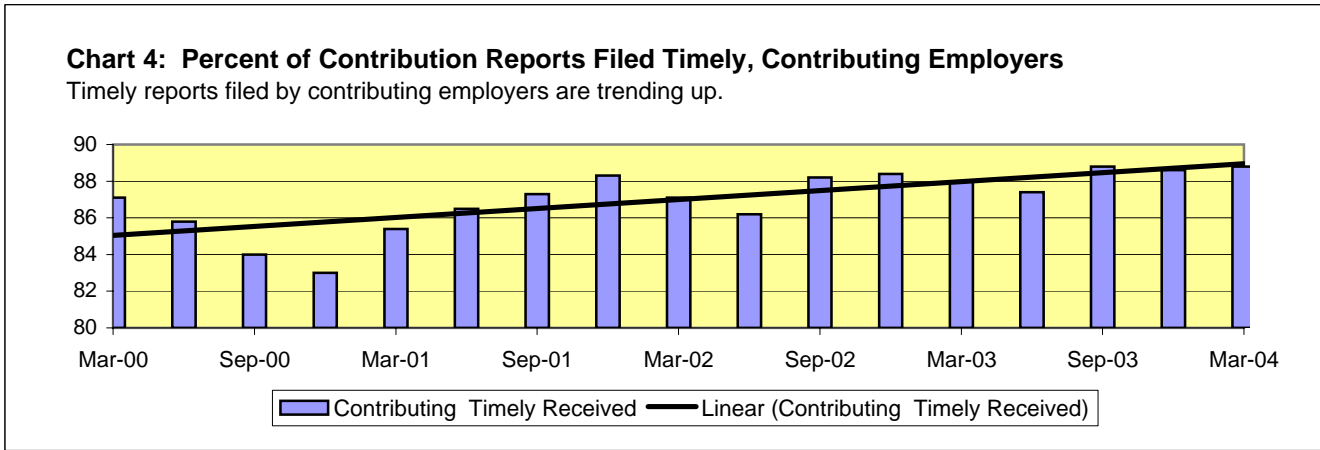


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### Quarterly Highlights: Reports filed timely for contributing employers are trending up.

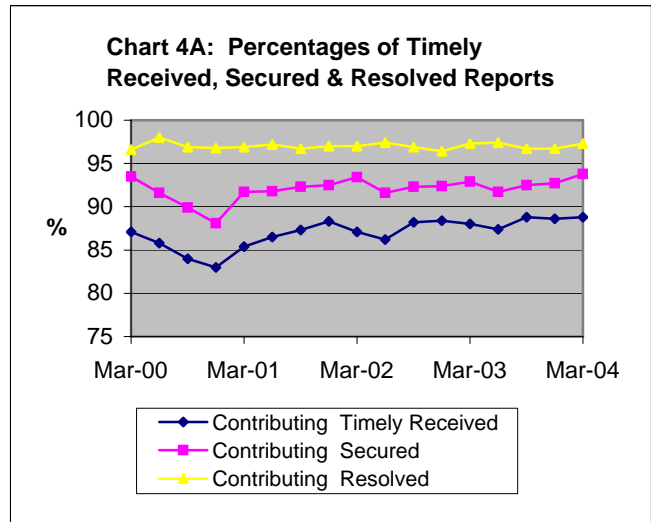
Chart 4 below shows the national percentages of contributing employers' tax reports that were filed timely during the last 17 ETA 581 report quarters. The trend line, showing an increase of approximately 3% on the chart, suggests that states are making progress in motivating more employers to file their Contribution and Wage (C/W) reports timely. Detailed data showing the performance for each state, region and the nation are shown in Table 2 in the tables section of this TEN. In order to be timely, employers must file their C/W reports for the quarter ending 12/31/2003, in most states, by January 31, 2004. These fourth quarter C/W reports are the reports that are being processed during January, February and March and are the reports counted for ETA 581 purposes as Timely (if filed by 1/31/2004) or Secured (if secured by 3/31/2004).



### Quarterly Highlights: Chart 4A: Timely, Secured & Resolved Reports

National performance for Resolved Reports during 1Q2004, improved slightly to 97.3% from 96.7% in 4Q2003. Resolved Reports are tax reports from two quarters back (3Q2003 for this ETA 581 report period ending 3/31/04) that have been received or resolved by the end of the ETA 581 report period. Reports may be resolved by a final assessment of tax that is legally due and collectible or by a determination of non-liability.

Secured Reports are contribution reports that are received during the ETA 581 report quarter between the due date of the contribution reports and the end of the report quarter. For example, for the 1Q2004 ETA 581 report quarter, Secured Reports are those 4Q2003 contribution reports received between the due date of 1/31/2004, (for most states) and 3/31/2004.



ETA 581 reporting instructions require that states count only a single report for each of their employers, even though some employers, such as those with multiple reporting units (MRUs), may actually submit more than one quarterly C/W report per account. The account should be counted as Timely Filed, Secured or Resolved only after the last report from the account for a quarter has been filed timely, secured or resolved.