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INTRODUCTION

This report presents the results of a study of Corpsmen who left the Job Corps during August 1966. By selecting a single month and examining all types of terminations during that month it is possible to measure the relative accomplishment of graduates, dropouts, and discharges over the same period of time, from August 1966 when they left the Job Corps until February 1967, when the interviewing was done.

Purpose of the Study

The purposes of the study were:

1. To determine the employment and education status of the August 1966 terminations at the time they entered the Job Corps as these elements relate to and help explain different levels of success within the Job Corps itself.

2. To examine experience of Corpsmen in the Job Corps: how did they first hear about the Job Corps? How well did the screening agency prepare them for what they would find in the training centers? What were they being trained for and what did they think of this training? How did they like other aspects of Job Corps life ranging from orientation to living conditions in the centers to their fellow Job Corpsmen? Finally, what were their reasons for leaving the Job Corps? Significant differences and similarities between the graduates, dropouts and discharges will be indicated.