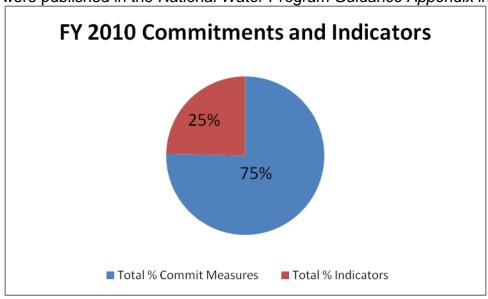
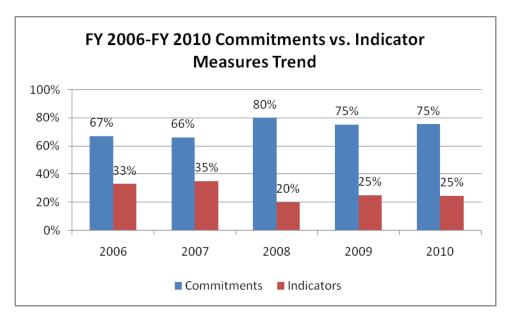
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Appendix B. FY 2010 Performance Measure Universe

Total Measures by Commitments vs. Indicators

The National Water Program tracked a total of 134 total performance measures in FY 2010 to assess progress in protecting the public health and the environment. Seventy-five percent (75%) of these measures had annual commitments, and 25% of the measures were indicators with no commitments in 2010. The percentage of measures with annual commitments has remained steady over the past two years. Final commitments are numeric goals that are established annually through negotiations among EPA Headquarters, Regional Offices, and states. Commitments for FY 2010 were published in the *National Water Program Guidance Appendix* in February 2010.¹

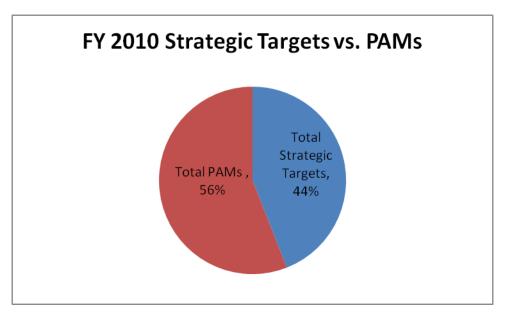


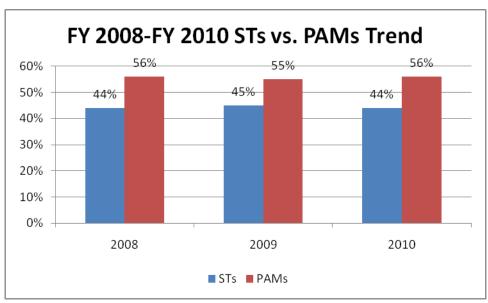


¹ National Water Program Guidance. Appendix FY2010 Final Performance Measure Commitments, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Water, February, 2010, [add link]

FY 2010 Strategic Targets vs. PAMs

The National Water Program uses two types of measures to assess progress toward the goals in the *Strategic Plan*: Strategic Targets and Program Activity Measures (PAMs). Strategic Targets are organized under individual subobjectives in the *Strategic Plan* and are outcome-based measures of changes in the environment or public health with long-term targets for 2014. Program Offices and Regions also set annual commitments for almost all of these measures. Strategic Targets represented 44% of all 2010 performance measures. PAMs are primarily output-based measures that track programmatic progress on an annual basis. PAMs represented 56% of all measures in 2010.





Total Measures by Goal

FY 2010 was the third and final year of reporting under EPA's 2006 *Strategic Plan*. Sixty-six percent (66%) of National Water Program performance measures were in Goal 2, and 34% were in Goal 4 of the Plan. Aside from a handful of measures in the national wetlands program, the vast majority of the Goal 4 measures belong to the Agency's Large Aquatic Ecosystems programs.

