



Gage County

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Youth Level

- Hispanic/Latino youth and youth of multiple races have disproportionately higher chronic absenteeism as compared to the school membership population (and compared to the state averages) – with the disproportionality higher for Hispanic youth. The trend for both has been consistent over the past 5 school years. Black youth have also had disproportionately higher chronic absenteeism in the past 2 years (for which we have data).
- A higher rate of youth have IDEA and 504 plans as compared to the state. Graduation rates are higher than the state average, and the county is ranked 75 of 93.
- 8th graders report mental health issues, with greater loss of sleep from worry and depression than the state average. 10th graders report greater levels of substance use than the state average, including alcohol use, binge drinking and marijuana use. 10th graders also report higher loss of sleep from worry. 12th graders report greater tobacco use than the state average.
- A high proportion of 10th graders report gang involvement.
- Overall crime has decreased very slightly from 2018 to 2019, which is the same trend for juvenile crime. Specifically, there has been a decrease in other assaults, drug possession, and runaway; but an increase in vandalism and liquor laws.
- Risk assessment domains for youth assessed for diversion suggest Family/Parenting, Education/Employment, and Attitudes/Orientation are the areas with highest need.
- Approximately 26% of cases are referred to diversion and 37% are on probation – it is not clear where the remaining cases are (dropped/dismitted or informally diverted) – more juveniles should be getting diverted than end up on probation.
- White youth are over-represented in diversion and Hispanic youth are under-represented in diversion referrals as compared to the county and school population (unfortunately, we do not have law enforcement data by race/ethnicity to see if youth are being referred to these system point at a rate that is proportional to law enforcement stops of citations/referrals).
- Once referred to diversion, youth of all races/ethnicities are enrolling in diversion and successfully completing diversion at the rate they represent the population.
- Hispanic youth are over-represented at probation intake and being on probation. Black youth are slightly over-represented in diversion and filed on with multiple charges.
- Missing data on race/ethnicity is very problematic at the courts.
- Refer to the yearly RED tables in the Appendix to see if RED patterns have improved, declined, or stayed the same from 2015 to 2019.



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Table 1.

Distribution of the Population Age 10-17 by Race/Ethnicity and Gender (5-year estimates, 2014-2018) ^a

Males

Geographic Area	Total Count	Non-Hispanic White	Hispanic or Latino	Black	American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	2+ Races
Nebraska	108,494	70.4%	16.2%	5.7%	1.4%	2.0%	4.4%
Gage	1,250	88.6%	5.7%	0.4%	0.0%	1.4%	3.8%

Females

Geographic Area	Total Count	Non-Hispanic White	Hispanic or Latino	Black	American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	2+ Races
Nebraska	102,658	70.4%	16.2%	5.7%	1.4%	2.0%	4.4%
Gage	1,127	94.9%	4.1%	0.0%	0.4%	0.0%	0.7%

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Table 2.

School Membership by Race/ Ethnicity and School Year (2014-2019) ^b

Year	Geographic Area	Total Count	Hispanic	Asian	American Indian or Alaska Native	Black or African American	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific islander	White	Two or More Races
2014-2015	Gage	3,285	3.99%	0.73%	0.40%	0.21%	0.03%	92.63%	2.01%
	Nebraska	312,281	17.74%	2.43%	1.42%	6.70%	0.13%	68.20%	3.38%
2015-2016	Gage	3,208	4.11%	0.72%	0.44%	0.56%	0.00%	92.21%	1.96%
	Nebraska	315,542	18.08%	2.53%	1.38%	6.67%	0.14%	67.72%	3.47%
2016-2017	Gage	3,250	4.40%	0.68%	0.43%	0.68%	0.00%	91.63%	2.18%
	Nebraska	318,853	18.61%	2.66%	1.38%	6.69%	0.15%	66.92%	3.59%
2017-2018	Gage	3,249	4.43%	0.62%	0.43%	1.05%	0.00%	91.10%	2.37%
	Nebraska	323,391	18.80%	2.76%	1.35%	6.67%	0.14%	66.50%	3.78%
2018-2019	Gage	3,241	5.62%	0.71%	0.49%	0.96%	0.00%	89.54%	2.68%
	Nebraska	325,984	19.13%	2.83%	1.33%	6.63%	0.15%	66.02%	3.91%



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Table 3.

Chronic Absenteeism by Race/Ethnicity and School Year^b

Year	Geographic Area	Total Youth with Chronic Absenteeism	Hispanic	Asian	American Indian or Alaska Native	Black or African American	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	White	Two or More Races
2014-2015	Gage	346	10.69%	*	*	*	*	85.26%	4.05%
	Nebraska	35,638	24.54%	1.64%	4.42%	12.93%	0.19%	51.61%	4.68%
2015-2016	Gage	335	12.84%	*	*	*	*	87.16%	*
	Nebraska	38,812	25.73%	1.55%	4.27%	13.68%	0.27%	49.68%	4.83%
2016-2017	Gage	411	6.57%	*	*	*	*	90.51%	2.92%
	Nebraska	42,290	26.90%	1.66%	4.40%	14.22%	0.24%	47.66%	4.92%
2017-2018	Gage	466	9.87%	*	*	3.86%	*	83.26%	3.00%
	Nebraska	46,365	26.81%	1.77%	4.18%	14.49%	0.22%	47.37%	2389
2018-2019	Gage	475	10.74%	*	*	2.53%	*	86.74%	*
	Nebraska	46,356	27.64%	1.76%	4.16%	14.71%	0.23%	46.27%	5.23%

Per the Nebraska Department of Education, the * represents masked data, which they define as 10 or fewer students, for the confidentiality of the students

Table 4.

Disabilities, English Proficiency, Eligibility for Free/Reduced Lunch and School Year (2014 – 2019)^b

Year	Geographic Area	Total Count	IDEA	504 Plan	Limited English Proficiency	Free/Reduced Lunch
2014-2015	Gage	3,285	18.23%	1.61%	0.30%	43.71%
	Nebraska	312,281	13.66%	0.76%	5.97%	44.53%
2015-2016	Gage	3,208	19.14%	2.15%	*	41.52%
	Nebraska	315,542	13.64%	0.90%	5.90%	44.23%
2016-2017	Gage	3,250	19.69%	2.22%	*	44.06%
	Nebraska	318,853	13.80%	0.93%	6.99%	44.76%
2017-2018	Gage	3,249	22.53%	2.55%	*	45.15%
	Nebraska	323,391	15.87%	0.88%	6.59%	46.24%
2018-2019	Gage	3,241	21.41%	1.05%	0.68%	46.13%
	Nebraska	325,984	16.13%	0.85%	6.78%	45.42%

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Table 5.

Nebraska Public High School 4-Year Graduation Rates by County (5-year estimates, 2015-2019) ^c

County	Total in Last 5 Years		Yearly Averages		Graduation Rate	Rank
	Graduates	Students	Graduates	Students		
Nebraska	100,111	112,857	20,022.2	22,571.4	88.7%	-
Gage	1,124	1,243	56.2	62.2	90.4%	75

Data are only for public school districts and their associated high schools. The figures are aggregated based on the location of the school, not the residential location of the student. The figures for Dawes County are impacted by a vocational school where graduation rates are less than 25%; in the rest of the county graduation rates equal 93%.

Table 6.

Youth Who Report Mental Health Symptoms and Substance Use by Grade (2018) ^d

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Gage	Loss of sleep from worry	26.1%	23.4%	19.8%
Nebraska		18.0%	20.6%	21.6%
Gage	Depressed	35.2%	29.9%	32.9%
Nebraska		31.1%	34.8%	35.3%
Gage	Considered/Attempted suicide	17.8%	16.2%	7.3%
Nebraska		22.9%	18.2%	16.2%
Gage	Current alcohol	8.9%	23.4%	33.3%
Nebraska		9.8%	20.1%	34.2%
Gage	Current binge drinking	1.7%	11.0%	16.0%
Nebraska		1.3%	6.2%	15.0%
Gage	Current marijuana	2.2%	11.0%	7.4%
Nebraska		3.0%	7.3%	13.9%
Gage	Current tobacco	4.4%	9.7%	18.5%
Nebraska		3.7%	8.0%	15.3%
Gage	Current vaping	8.9%	24.0%	30.9%
Nebraska		10.4%	24.7%	37.3%
Gage	Hopeful for future (past week)	68.9%	74.7%	82.7%
Nebraska		72.1%	74.7%	78.4%



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****JJI is currently waiting for the legal team at DHHS to approve providing this data**

Table 7.

Juveniles Referred to Services ^e

Table 8.

Juveniles Referred to Services by Race/Ethnicity, Gender, and Mental Health Diagnosis ^e

Table 9.

Juveniles Who Utilized Services ^e

Table 10.

Types of Services Utilized ^e

Table 11.

Youth Who Report Gang Involvement by Grade (2018) ^d

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Gage	Youth Reported Gang Involvement	3.9%	11.8%	3.7%
Nebraska		3.8%	4.4%	3.8%

Table 12.

Arrest Rates for Adults and Juveniles for 2018 and 2019 with Percent Change ^f

Arrestee Age	All Arrestee Ages			Under 18		
	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %
Summary Arrest Date						
Jurisdiction by Geography	GAGE COUNTY					
Arrest Offense						
Total	684	663	-3.07	95	94	-1.05
Rape Total	2	2	0.00	1	-	-100.00
Robbery	-	1	-	-	-	-
Aggravated Assault Total	10	15	50.00	-	2	-
Burglary Total	7	4	-42.86	3	1	-66.67
Larceny-Theft Total	61	48	-21.31	9	11	22.22
Motor Vehicle Theft Total		4	-	-	-	-
Other Assaults	74	54	-27.03	14	8	-42.86
Arson	1	-	-100.00	-	-	-
Fraud	3	1	-66.67	-	-	-
Stolen Property; Buying, Receiving, Possessing	1	2	100.00		0	-



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Vandalism	24	31	29.17	2	9	350.00
Weapons; Carrying, Possessing, etc.	8	14	75.00	0		-
Sex Offenses (Except Rape and Prostitution)	2	1	-50.00	1	1	0.00
Drug Violations - Sale/Manufacturing	8	18	125.00	0	1	-
Drug Violations - Possession	134	129	-3.73	24	8	-66.67
NIBRS Unable to Classify	8	15	87.50	2	1	-50.00
Offenses Against Family and Children	14	14	0.00	1	1	0.00
Driving Under the Influence	93	95	2.15	1	2	100.00
Liquor Laws	112	93	-16.96	15	27	80.00
Disorderly Conduct	13	15	15.38	1	3	200.00
All Other Offenses (Except Traffic)	97	100	3.09	9	12	33.33
Runaways	12	7	-41.67	12	7	-41.67

Table 13.

Risk Assessment Domains for Youth Assessed on Diversion (2015 - 2017) ⁹

Score	Gage			All NYS Counties		
	0	1	2	0	1	2
Family Circumstance/Parenting	30.0%	27.3%	42.7%	60.1%	26.7%	13.1%
Education/Employment	38.2%	45.5%	16.4%	43.0%	44.0%	13.1%
Peer Relationships	43.6%	52.7%	3.6%	44.7%	46.6%	8.6%
Substance Use	40.9%	49.1%	10.0%	61.4%	30.3%	8.3%
Leisure/Recreation	83.6%	14.5%	1.8%	50.6%	33.0%	16.5%
Personality/Behavior	70.9%	19.1%	10.0%	50.1%	39.4%	10.4%
Attitudes/Orientation	44.5%	35.5%	20.0%	61.3%	33.7%	5.0%
Mean Score	<i>M</i> = 5.56, <i>SD</i> = 3.40, 0-16			<i>M</i> = 5.64, <i>SD</i> = 3.65, 0-17		

Gage County *n* = 110; Statewide *n* = 1512



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Table 14.
 Racial and Ethnic Disparities Descriptives (2015-2019) ¹

[Click here to see Census and School Population Data](#)

See [Appendix for yearly data](#)

System Point	N	Amer. Indian/ Alaskan Native	Asian/ Pacific Islander	Black	Hispanic/ Latino	Multiple/ Other	Unspec/ Missing	White
Law enforcement contact	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth taken to temporary custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth issued citation/referral	531*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	138	0%	0%	1.40%	0.70%	1.40%	0%	96.40%
Youth enrolled in diversion	136	0%	0%	1.50%	0.70%	1.50%	0%	96.30%
Successful completion diversion	99	0%	0%	2%	0%	1%	0%	97%
Youth with multiple charges	41	0%	0%	2.40%	4.90%	0%	90.20%	2.40%
Filed on in adult court	5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	60%	40%
RAI Override: More Severe	17	0%	0%	11.80%	5.90%	0%	0%	82.40%
RAI Override: Less Severe	6	0%	0%	16.70%	0%	0%	0%	83.30%
Probation intake	118	0%	0.80%	6.80%	5.90%	2.50%	0%	83.90%
Successful probation	180	0.60%	0.60%	4.40%	7.80%	0%	0%	86.70%
Revocation of probation	76	0%	0%	0%	6.60%	0%	0%	93.40%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

*Wymore PD did not report to NCC 2015 - 2018



Family Level

- Poverty does not appear to be an issue in this county as compared to the state average, nor do any of the measures related to poverty or low SES.
- Both 8th and 10th graders report they are less likely to have a supportive adult at home who listens than the state average; and 8th graders report they are less likely to have a supportive adult at school who listens.

Table 15.

Poverty/SES, Educational Attainment, Technology and Computers in Home, Housing, and Transportation (5-year estimates, 2014-2018) ^a

Measurement		Gage	Nebraska
Poverty/SES	Children <18 in Poverty	12.4%	14.8%
	Number of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	310	43,814
	Percent of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	19.2%	28.9%
Educational attainment	Age 25+ with B.D.	20.2%	31.3%
	County Rank	55	-
	Age 25+ with some college, no degree	22.3%	23.0%
	County Rank	68	-
	Age 25+ with HS degree	89.7%	91.1%
	County Rank	72	-
Technology and computers in the home	% under 18 with a computer at home	98.7%	96.9%
	County Rank	42	-
	% under 18 with an internet subscription at home	96.1%	91.0%
	County Rank	14	-
	% under 18 with broadband internet access at home	96.1%	90.8%
	County Rank	12	-



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Housing	Owner-occupied households	6,277	498,567
	Total households	9,160	754,063
	Owner %	68.5%	66.1%
	Renters	2,883	255,496
	Renter %	31.5%	33.9%
Transportation	Households with no vehicle available	414	40,465
	Total households	9,160	754,063
	No vehicle %	4.5%	5.4%

Table 16.
Youth Who Report Supportive Adults by Grade (2018) ^d

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Gage	Adult at home who listens	77.4%	79.7%	87.5%
Nebraska		87.3%	85.0%	85.6%
Gage	Adult at school who listens	77.8%	91.0%	86.6%
Nebraska		85.2%	85.0%	87.4%

Table 17.
Domestic Violence Reports and Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means ^h

	Aggravated Domestic Assaults Reported	Aggravated Domestic Assaults Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means	Simple Domestic Assaults Reported	Simple Domestic Assaults Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means
Gage	9	5	26	18
Nebraska	562	402	2512	2019

Table 18.
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports ⁱ

	Abuse/Neglect Calls	Reports Assessed	Substantiated	Unfounded
Gage	359	40%	14%	74%
Nebraska	36,480	33.4%	16.0%	68.3%



Community Level

- There does not appear to be an issue with violence in the county, but there is a greater number of other assaults as compared to other types of violence.
- 10th graders report their community does not find marijuana or cigarettes to be wrong or very wrong, as compared to the state average.
- Juvenile record sealing is not “automatic” even if statute requires it to seal. Sealing a record requires administrative staff to initiate the process. Dismissed or dropped cases should be sealed at a rate of 100%. All others should be sealed at the rate to which youth successfully complete their court requirements (completion of diversion, probation, restorative practice, or other treatment). Yearly data is available in the Appendix to see if the rate has improved because of legislation, but newer cases should naturally have lower rates of sealing than older cases.
- The county has done a great job sealing cases that are filed in adult court at 100%.
- There are higher levels of missing data at the court level. Data for race and ethnicity at each juvenile justice system point is imperative for an accurate Racial and Ethnic Disparities (RED) analysis.

Table 19. Community Violence Measured by Arrests for Violent Crime (2019) ⁱ

Type of Violence	Gage	Nebraska
Murder and Nonnegligent manslaughter	0	34
Rape	2	264
Robbery	1	367
Aggravated Assault	15	1,639
Other Assaults	54	8,782

Table 20. Youth Perceptions of Community Attitudes on Substance Use by Grade (2018) ^d

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Gage	Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana	92.7%	86.4%	89.9%
Nebraska		94.4%	89.8%	85.2%
Gage	Wrong/very wrong – alcohol	88.7%	78.9%	69.2%
Nebraska		89.1%	80.4%	68.7%
Gage	Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes	90.9%	84.4%	78.5%
Nebraska		92.9%	89.0%	78.7%



Table 21.
Juvenile Court Record Sealing Analysis (2015 – 2019) ^m

see [Appendix for yearly data](#)

	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	326	449	72.6%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	364	673	54.1%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	21	21	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	713	1145	62.3%

*Cases offered diversion, mediation or RJ are not available data points in in JUSTICE. All cases filed in adult court and transferred to juvenile court overlapped with cases that were filed in adult court as a misdemeanor or infraction; as such, they were omitted from analysis



Policy, Legal and System Level

- This county is not required under statute to provide an attorney when a youth is filed on in court, and the rate of providing access to counsel at the time of filing is quite low compared to the state average and other counties in the state.
- Curfew filings do not appear to be an issue in the county.
- Truancy court filings peaked in 2017 but appear to have decreased since that time.
- The diversion program may consider the following:
 - exploring the use of warning letters for low risk youth
 - ensure fees are similar to court costs (even with the sliding scale)
 - strengthening the process for sealing records in JCMS and with law enforcement (not needed at court-level because it is pre-file). Under statute, youth who complete diversion should have their records sealed automatically.

Table 22.
Percent of Youth in Juvenile Court Who Had Access to Counsel (2018) ⁿ

	Gage	Nebraska
Access to Counsel	40.0% -- 59.9%	73.5%

Neb. Rev. 43-272. Right to counsel; appointment; payment; guardian ad litem; appointment; when; duties; standards for guardians ad litem; standards for attorneys who practice in juvenile court.

(1)(a) In counties having a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants, when any juvenile shall be brought without counsel before a juvenile court, the court shall advise such juvenile and his or her parent or guardian of their right to retain counsel and shall inquire of such juvenile and his or her parent or guardian as to whether they desire to retain counsel.

(b) In counties having a population of one hundred fifty thousand or more inhabitants, when any juvenile court petition is filed alleging jurisdiction of a juvenile pursuant to subdivision (1), (2), (3)(b), or (4) of section 43-247, counsel shall be appointed for such juvenile.

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Table 23.
 Frequency of Youth with a Curfew Violation (2015 – 2019) ^m

	Gage	Nebraska
Curfew Court Filing	0	352

Table 24.
 Court Filing for 3A, 3B, and 3C cases (2015 – 2019) ^m

Filed Subtype	Gage					Total
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
3A- Homeless/Neglect	0	0	0	0	0	0
3B – Absenteeism/Truancy	5	27	23	16	16	87
3B - Uncontrollable	1	2	3	2	0	8
3C – Mentally Ill and Dangerous	0	0	0	0	0	0

Filed Subtype	Nebraska					Total
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
3A- Homeless/Neglect	0	2	0	2	3	7
3B – Absenteeism/Truancy	96	510	493	423	475	1997
3B - Uncontrollable	47	118	125	119	82	491
3C – Mentally Ill and Dangerous	22	48	37	22	23	306

Table 25.
 County Diversion Procedures and Protocols Compared to Statewide Responses (2020) ^o

	Gage	Nebraska *
Refer ALL juveniles who are first time offenders to diversion	No	Yes: 27.3% No: 63.6% Not sure: 9.1%
File a juvenile's charges at the time of the referral to diversion	No	Yes: 18.2% No: 70.5% Not sure: 11.4%
File a juvenile's charges if they are unsuccessful on diversion	Sometimes	Always: 47.7% Sometimes: 47.7% Not sure: 4.5%
Allow a juvenile to complete diversion more than once	Yes	Yes: 61.4% No: 34.1% Not sure: 4.5%



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Charges/offenses that make a juvenile ineligible for diversion	Yes; DUI, felony offenses (sometimes), multiple charges in a short amount of time	Yes: 86.4% No: 9.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Warning letters instead of intervention	Not sure	Yes: 27.3% No: 61.4% Not sure: 11.4%
Currently drug test	No	Yes: 31.8% No: 65.9% Not sure: 2.3%
Fees beyond restitution	Yes; \$200 with a sliding scale	Yes: 86.4% No: 13.6% Not sure: 0.0%
Use of graduated responses prior to discharge	Yes; individualized	Yes: 47.7% No: 25.0% Not sure: 27.3%
Sealing diversion records	No; it is not automatic and is per parent's request	Yes: 59.1% No: 22.7% Not sure: 18.2%

*responses included 44 juvenile diversion programs; representing 68 counties/tribe (91.9% response rate)



Community Team Level

- The community team project lead should be able to get roughly a 75% response, to ensure active participation on planning issues, your response rate was 27%; however, the response rate improved from 2019 to 2020.
- All measures of collective impact increased from 2019 to 2020. Shared Measurement and Continuous Communication are the domains of collective impact where the team has rated the lowest for both years.
- The community team should be representative of the population of that community but should also include diversity. It might be beneficial to add additional diverse members to your team (especially because of the patterns of over and under representation).
- There is good representation of system points by team members and persons formerly involved in the system.
- A higher proportion of team members report not feeling heard as compared to other teams statewide. This may mean other forms of giving voice should be explored than current practices.

Table 26. Collective Impact Survey Response Rates ^P

Year of survey	Gage		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Number of surveys sent	40	48	1407	780
Number of completed surveys	4	13	221	345
Response rate	10.0%	27.1%	28.3%	24.5%

Table 27. Collective Impact Survey Scores ^P

Year of survey	Gage		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Mean Score		Mean Score	
Common agenda	4.93	6.08	5.29	5.69
Mutually reinforcing	4.86	5.69	5.37	5.50
Shared measurement	4.28	5.23	5.21	5.45
Continuous communication	5.03	5.23	5.49	5.55
Backbone agency	5.33	6.00	5.52	5.78



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The five elements of Collective Impact are:

- **Common agenda:** Participants have a shared vision and common understanding of both the problem and potential solutions to that problem.
- **Mutually reinforcing activities:** Participant activities must be differentiated while still being coordinated through a mutually reinforcing plan of action.
- **Shared measurement:** Collecting data and measuring results consistently across all participants ensures efforts remain aligned and participants hold each other accountable.
- **Continuous communication:** Consistent and open communication is needed across stakeholders to build trust, assure mutual objectives, and create common motivation.
- **Backbone support:** Creating and managing Collective Impact often requires a separate organization(s) with staff and a specific set of skills to serve as the backbone for the entire initiative and to coordinate participating organizations ^q

Table 28.
Community Planning Team Diversity ^p

	Gage		Nebraska	
	N = 13	(%)	N = 345	(%)
Gender				
Male	5	38.5%	101	29.3%
Female	8	61.5%	229	66.4%
Missing	--	--	15	4.3%
Age				
Under 30	1	7.7%	19	5.6%
30-39	1	7.7%	68	19.6%
40-49	4	30.8%	88	25.4%
50-59	4	30.8%	90	25.8%
60 and over	2	15.4%	44	13%
Missing	1	7.7%	36	10.4%
Race/Ethnicity				
White	6	46.2%	230	66.7%
Black	--	--	10	2.9%
Hispanic	--	--	13	3.8%
Native American	--	--	6	1.7%
Asian	--	--	1	0.3%
Other	--	--	2	0.6%
Provided town name	7	53.8%	63	18.3%
Missing	--	--	19	5.5%



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Previous System Involvement				
Yes	7	53.8%	98	28.4%
No	6	46.2%	242	70.1%
Missing	--	--	5	1.4%
System Point *				
Law enforcement	2	11.8%	34	7.8%
County attorney/ juvenile court	2	11.8%	32	7.3%
K-12 or secondary education	3	17.6%	65	14.9%
Ministry/faith based	1	5.9%	10	2.3%
Diversion	3	17.6%	55	12.6%
Probation	2	11.8%	31	7.1%
Public defender/ defense counsel/ guardian ad litem	--	--	8	1.8%
DHHS or Child Welfare	--	--	13	3.0%
Treatment provider	1	5.9%	40	9.2%
Post adjudication or detention	--	--	8	1.8%
Community based program	1	5.9%	109	25.0%
Elected official or government	--	--	6	1.4%
Restorative practices	1	5.9%	6	1.4%
Backbone or system improvement	--	--	3	0.7%
Other	1	5.9%	16	3.7%
Voice on Team				
Feel heard	9	69.2%	270	78.3%
Do not feel heard	4	30.8%	75	21.7%

*note. Team members could have selected more than one system point; as such, they do not add up to 100%



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Appendix: RED Descriptives

2015

System Point	N	Amer. Indian/ Alaskan Native	Asian/ Pacific Islander	Black	Hispanic/ Latino	Multiple/ Other	Unspec/ Missing	White
Law enforcement contact	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth taken to temporary custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth issued citation/referral	122*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	47	0%	0%	2.10%	0%	2.10%	0%	95.70%
Youth enrolled in diversion	47	0%	0%	2.10%	0%	2.10%	0%	95.70%
Successful completion diversion	37	0%	0%	2.70%	0%	2.70%	0%	94.60%
Youth with multiple charges	4	0%	0%	0%	25%	0%	75%	0%
Filed on in adult court	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%	NA%
RAI Override: More Severe	2	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	50%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
Probation intake	26	0%	3.80%	3.80%	7.70%	3.80%	0%	80.80%
Successful probation	47	2.10%	0%	2.10%	8.50%	0%	0%	87.20%
Revocation of probation	16	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

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2016

System Point	N	Amer. Indian/ Alaskan Native	Asian/ Pacific Islander	Black	Hispanic/ Latino	Multiple/ Other	Unspec/ Missing	White
Law enforcement contact	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth taken to temporary custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth issued citation/referral	120*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	19	0%	0%	5.30%	0%	0%	0%	94.70%
Youth enrolled in diversion	19	0%	0%	5.30%	0%	0%	0%	94.70%
Successful completion diversion	12	0%	0%	8.30%	0%	0%	0%	91.70%
Youth with multiple charges	10	0%	0%	10%	0%	0%	90%	0%
Filed on in adult court	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%
RAI Override: More Severe	4	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
RAI Override: Less Severe	3	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Probation intake	32	0%	0%	3.10%	3.10%	0%	0%	93.80%
Successful probation	40	0%	2.50%	2.50%	10%	0%	0%	85%
Revocation of probation	14	0%	0%	0%	21.40%	0%	0%	78.60%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

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2017

System Point	N	Amer. Indian/ Alaskan Native	Asian/ Pacific Islander	Black	Hispanic/ Latino	Multiple/ Other	Unspec/ Missing	White
Law enforcement contact	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth taken to temporary custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth issued citation/referral	100*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	26	0%	0%	0%	0%	3.80%	0%	96.20%
Youth enrolled in diversion	26	0%	0%	0%	0%	3.80%	0%	96.20%
Successful completion diversion	20	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth with multiple charges	10	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%
Filed on in adult court	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%
RAI Override: More Severe	3	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
RAI Override: Less Severe	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Probation intake	20	0%	0%	0%	15%	0%	0%	85%
Successful probation	31	0%	0%	0%	6.50%	0%	0%	93.50%
Revocation of probation	6	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

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2018

System Point	N	Amer. Indian/ Alaskan Native	Asian/ Pacific Islander	Black	Hispanic/ Latino	Multiple/ Other	Unspec/ Missing	White
Law enforcement contact	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth taken to temporary custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth issued citation/referral	95*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	16	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth enrolled in diversion	15	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Successful completion diversion	11	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth with multiple charges	7	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%
Filed on in adult court	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%
RAI Override: More Severe	7	0%	0%	28.60%	0%	0%	0%	71.40%
RAI Override: Less Severe	2	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	0%	50%
Probation intake	25	0%	0%	20%	0%	8%	0%	72%
Successful probation	38	0%	0%	13.20%	5.30%	0%	0%	81.60%
Revocation of probation	21	0%	0%	0%	9.50%	0%	0%	90.50%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

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2019

System Point	N	Amer. Indian/ Alaskan Native	Asian/ Pacific Islander	Black	Hispanic/ Latino	Multiple/ Other	Unspec/ Missing	White
Law enforcement contact	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth taken to temporary custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth issued citation/referral	94*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	30	0%	0%	0%	3.30%	0%	0%	96.70%
Youth enrolled in diversion	29	0%	0%	0%	3.40%	0%	0%	96.60%
Successful completion diversion	19	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth with multiple charges	10	0%	0%	0%	10%	0%	80%	10%
Filed on in adult court	2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
RAI Override: More Severe	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
Probation intake	15	0%	0%	6.70%	6.70%	0%	0%	86.70%
Successful probation	24	0%	0%	4.20%	8.30%	0%	0%	87.50%
Revocation of probation	19	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

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**Appendix: Sealed Court Records by Year**

*Cases offered diversion, mediation or RJ are not available data points in in JUSTICE. All cases filed in adult court and transferred to juvenile court overlapped with cases that were filed in adult court as a misdemeanor or infraction; as such, they were omitted from analysis

2015	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	93	105	88.6%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	65	116	56.0%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	2	2	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	160	223	71.7%

2016	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	71	86	82.6%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	101	150	67.3%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	3	3	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	177	241	73.4%

2017	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	59	89	66.3%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	84	146	57.5%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	7	7	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	150	242	62.0%



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2018	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	51	85	60.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	72	154	46.8%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	5	5	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	128	244	52.5%

2019	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	52	84	61.9%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	42	107	39.3%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	4	4	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	98	195	50.3%