



# Nance County

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#### Youth Level

- The number of total youth with chronic absenteeism has decreased in past year.
- While we could not get race/ethnicity data for chronic absenteeism in this community because the frequency was too low to report, Hispanic, Native American, and Black youth are over-represented statewide in chronic absenteeism.
- There were more youth on IDEA and 504 plans in Nance County compared to state averages in previous years, but it has decreased in the recent years.
- Nance County has a 93.1% graduation rate over the last 5 years.
- 12<sup>th</sup> graders report loss of sleep from worry, being depressed, and considering/attempting suicide at higher rates in Nance County compared to the state.
- 12<sup>th</sup> graders report current alcohol, binge drinking, and marijuana use at higher rates in Nance County compared to the state.
  - 50% of youth in 12<sup>th</sup> grade report alcohol use
- 10<sup>th</sup> graders report alcohol, binge drinking, and tobacco use at higher rates in Nance County compared to the state.
- 10<sup>th</sup> graders report higher rates of vaping in Nance County compared to the state.
  - There are a lot of 0% reporting in the substance abuse, which is lower than the state in these areas
- The Nance County sheriff did not submit arrest data to the Crime Commission during 2018, so
  we are not able to determine if arrests for both age groups has increased or decreased from
  2018 to 2019.
- NYS domains with the highest scores are Peer Relationships, Leisure/Recreation, Substance Use, and Family Circumstances/Parenting. There should be programs in the community to address these.
- Law enforcement data by race and ethnicity would be very beneficial to have a clearer picture
  of RED. Compared to the Census and school data, Hispanic youth are overrepresented with
  multiple charges being filed, at probation RAI overrides, probation intakes, and probation
  revocation. Note that some of these system points have very low numbers overall which could
  make the percentages look much higher.
  - There is race/ethnicity data missing at all the diversion points.
- Youth are being referred to diversion and enrolling in diversion at the same rate; successfully completing is slightly lower.

#### Table 1.

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





#### **Males**

| Geographic<br>Area | Total<br>Count | Non-<br>Hispanic<br>White | Hispanic or<br>Latino | Black | American<br>Indian | Asian or Pacific<br>Islander | 2+<br>Races |
|--------------------|----------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------|--------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| Nebraska           | 108,494        | 70.4%                     | 16.2%                 | 5.7%  | 1.4%               | 2.0%                         | 4.4%        |
| Nance              | 158            | 93.7%                     | 6.3%                  | 0.0%  | 0.0%               | 0.0%                         | 0.0%        |

#### **Females**

| Geographic<br>Area | Total<br>Count | Non-Hispanic<br>White | Hispanic or<br>Latino | Black | American<br>Indian | Asian or Pacific<br>Islander | 2+<br>Races |
|--------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------|--------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| Nebraska           | 102,658        | 69.9%                 | 15.8%                 | 5.2%  | 1.2%               | 2.5%                         | 5.4%        |
| Nance              | 182            | 90.7%                 | 5.5%                  | 0.0%  | 3.8%               | 0.0%                         | 0.0%        |

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Table 2. School Membership by Race/ Ethnicity and School Year (2014-2019) <sup>b</sup>

| Year  | Geographic<br>Area | Total<br>Count | Hispanic | Asian | American<br>Indian or<br>Alaska<br>Native | Black or<br>African<br>American | Native<br>Hawaiian<br>or Other<br>Pacific<br>islander | White  | Two<br>or<br>More<br>Races |
|-------|--------------------|----------------|----------|-------|---|---------------------------------|---|--------|----------------------------|
| 2014- | Nance              | 800            | 4.25%    | 0.25% | 0.50%                                     | 0.38%                           | 0.25%   | 93.50% | 0.88%                      |
| 2015  | Nebraska           | 312,281        | 17.74%   | 2.43% | 1.42%                                     | 6.70%                           | 0.13%   | 68.20% | 3.38%                      |
| 2015- | Nance              | 803            | 3.74%    | 0.50% | 0.62%                                     | 0.50%                           | 0.00%   | 93.77% | 0.87%                      |
| 2016  | Nebraska           | 315,542        | 18.08%   | 2.53% | 1.38%                                     | 6.67%                           | 0.14%   | 67.72% | 3.47%                      |
| 2016- | Nance              | 776            | 3.22%    | 0.39% | 0.64%                                     | 0.52%                           | 0.00%   | 94.33% | 0.90%                      |
| 2017  | Nebraska           | 318,853        | 18.61%   | 2.66% | 1.38%                                     | 6.69%                           | 0.15%   | 66.92% | 3.59%                      |
| 2017- | Nance              | 753            | 3.45%    | 0.40% | 0.53%                                     | 0.53%                           | 0.00%   | 93.63% | 1.46%                      |
| 2018  | Nebraska           | 323,391        | 18.80%   | 2.76% | 1.35%                                     | 6.67%                           | 0.14%   | 66.50% | 3.78%                      |
| 2018- | Nance              | 756            | 3.44%    | 0.00% | 0.53%                                     | 0.53%                           | 0.00%   | 94.18% | 1.32%                      |
| 2019  | 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 (2014 - 2019) b

| Year  | Geographic<br>Area | Total Youth with Chronic Absenteeism | Hispanic | Asian | American<br>Indian or<br>Alaska<br>Native | Black or<br>African<br>American | Native<br>Hawaiian<br>or Other<br>Pacific<br>islander | White   | Two<br>or<br>More<br>Races |
|-------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|----------|-------|---|---------------------------------|---|---------|----------------------------|
| 2014- | Nance              | 37                                   | *        | *     | *   | *                               | *   | 100.00% | *                          |
| 2015  | Nebraska           | 35,638                               | 24.54%   | 1.64% | 4.42%                                     | 12.93%                          | 0.19%   | 51.61%  | 4.68%                      |
| 2015- | Nance              | 49                                   | *        | *     | *   | *                               | *   | 100.00% | *                          |
| 2016  | Nebraska           | 38,812                               | 25.73%   | 1.55% | 4.27%                                     | 13.68%                          | 0.27%   | 49.68%  | 4.83%                      |
| 2016- | Nance              | 61                                   | *        | *     | *   | *                               | *   | 100.00% | *                          |
| 2017  | Nebraska           | 42,290                               | 26.90%   | 1.66% | 4.40%                                     | 14.22%                          | 0.24%   | 47.66%  | 4.92%                      |
| 2017- | Nance              | 72                                   | *        | *     | *   | *                               | *   | 100.00% | *                          |
| 2018  | Nebraska           | 46,365                               | 26.81%   | 1.77% | 4.18%                                     | 14.49%                          | 0.22%   | 47.37%  | 2389                       |
| 2018- | Nance              | 53                                   | *        | *     | *   | *                               | *   | 100.00% | *                          |
| 2019  | 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<br>Area | Total<br>Count | IDEA                | 504<br>Plan        | Limited English<br>Proficiency | Free/Reduced<br>Lunch |
|-------|--------------------|----------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 2014- | Nance              | 800            | <mark>16.38%</mark> | <mark>1.63%</mark> | *                              | 32.00%                |
| 2015  | Nebraska           | 312,281        | 13.66%              | <mark>0.76%</mark> | 5.97%                          | 44.53%                |
| 2015- | Nance              | 803            | <mark>15.19%</mark> | <mark>2.12%</mark> | *                              | 34.99%                |
| 2016  | Nebraska           | 315,542        | 13.64%              | <mark>0.90%</mark> | 5.90%                          | 44.23%                |
| 2016- | Nance              | 776            | <b>14.30%</b>       | <mark>1.42%</mark> | *                              | 40.98%                |
| 2017  | Nebraska           | 318,853        | <mark>13.80%</mark> | <mark>0.93%</mark> | 6.99%                          | 44.76%                |
| 2017- | Nance              | 753            | <mark>18.06%</mark> | <mark>1.33%</mark> | *                              | 39.84%                |
| 2018  | Nebraska           | 323,391        | <mark>15.87%</mark> | <mark>0.88%</mark> | 6.59%                          | 46.24%                |
| 2018- | Nance              | 756            | 16.01%              | *                  | *                              | 39.42%                |
| 2019  | 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)  $^\circ$ 

| County   | Total in Las | t 5 Years | Yearly Av          | verages  | Graduation         |      |
|----------|--------------|-----------|--------------------|----------|--------------------|------|
|          | Graduates    | Students  | Graduates Students |          | Rate               | Rank |
| Nebraska | 100,111      | 112,857   | 20,022.2           | 22,571.4 | 88.7%              | -    |
| Nance    | 256          | 275       | 25.6               | 27.5     | <mark>93.1%</mark> | 60   |

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 (2016) <sup>d</sup>

|          |                                | 8 <sup>th</sup>    | 10 <sup>th</sup>   | 12 <sup>th</sup>   |
|----------|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Nance    | Loss of sleep from worry       | 8.3%               | 14.6%              | <mark>27.5%</mark> |
| Nebraska |                                | 18.0%              | 20.6%              | <mark>21.6%</mark> |
| Nance    | Depressed                      | 26.7%              | 22.9%              | <mark>37.5%</mark> |
| Nebraska |                                | 31.1%              | 34.8%              | <mark>35.3%</mark> |
| Nance    | Considered/Attempted suicide   | 13.3%              | 16.7%              | <mark>17.5%</mark> |
| Nebraska |                                | 22.9%              | 18.2%              | <mark>16.2%</mark> |
| Nance    | Current alcohol                | 11.7%              | <mark>49.0%</mark> | <mark>50.0%</mark> |
| Nebraska |                                | 9.8%               | <mark>20.1%</mark> | <mark>34.2%</mark> |
| Nance    | Current binge drinking         | 0.0%               | <mark>14.3%</mark> | <mark>15.4%</mark> |
| Nebraska |                                | 1.3%               | <mark>6.2%</mark>  | <mark>15.0%</mark> |
| Nance    | Current marijuana              | 0.0%               | 6.1%               | <mark>20.0%</mark> |
| Nebraska |                                | 3.0%               | 7.3%               | <mark>13.9%</mark> |
| Nance    | Current tobacco                | 1.7%               | <mark>12.2%</mark> | 12.5%              |
| Nebraska |                                | 3.7%               | <mark>8.0%</mark>  | 15.3%              |
| Nance    | Current vaping                 | <mark>15.0%</mark> | 24.5%              | 22.5%              |
| Nebraska |                                | <mark>10.4%</mark> | 24.7%              | 37.3%              |
| Nance    | Hopeful for future (past week) | 76.7%              | 89.6%              | 87.5%              |
| Nebraska |                                | 72.1%              | 74.7%              | 78.4%              |

#### \*\*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 (2016) <sup>d</sup>

|          |                                 | 8 <sup>th</sup> | 10 <sup>th</sup> | 12 <sup>th</sup> |
|----------|---------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Nance    | Youth Reported Gang Involvement | 1.7%            | 2.1%             | 0.0%             |
| Nebraska |                                 | 3.8%            | 4.4%             | 3.8%             |

Table 12.
Arrest Rates for Adults and Juveniles for 2018 and 2019 with Percent Change <sup>f</sup>

| Arrestee Age                        |                                | All Arrestee Ages |       |       | Under 18 |                         |  |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|----------|-------------------------|--|
| Summary Arrest Date                 | 2018 2019 2018 - 2019 Growth % |                   |       | 2018  | 2019     | 2018 - 2019<br>Growth % |  |
| Jurisdiction by Geography           |                                |                   | NANCE | COUNT | Υ        |                         |  |
| Arrest Offense                      |                                |                   |       |       |          |                         |  |
| Total                               | -                              | 5                 | -     | -     | 0        | -                       |  |
| Vandalism                           | -                              | 1                 | -     | -     | -        | -                       |  |
| Drug Violations - Possession        | -                              | 1                 | -     | -     | 0        | -                       |  |
| Driving Under the Influence         | -                              | 2                 | -     | -     | 0        | -                       |  |
| All Other Offenses (Except Traffic) | -                              | 1                 | -     | -     | -        | -                       |  |

Table 13. Risk Assessment Domains for Youth Assessed on Diversion (2015 - 2017) <sup>g</sup>





|                               |                             | Nance |       | All NYS Counties             |       |       |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|-------|------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Score                         | 0                           | 1     | 2     | 0                            | 1     | 2     |
| Family Circumstance/Parenting | 83.3%                       | 16.7% | 0.0%  | 60.1%                        | 26.7% | 13.1% |
| Education/Employment          | 100.0%                      | 0.0%  | 0.0%  | 43.0%                        | 44.0% | 13.1% |
| Peer Relationships            | 5.6%                        | 66.7% | 27.8% | 44.7%                        | 46.6% | 8.6%  |
| Substance Use                 | 11.1%                       | 88.9% | 0.0%  | 61.4%                        | 30.3% | 8.3%  |
| Leisure/Recreation            | 66.7%                       | 27.8% | 5.6%  | 50.6%                        | 33.0% | 16.5% |
| Personality/Behavior          | 94.4%                       | 5.6%  | 0.0%  | 50.1%                        | 39.4% | 10.4% |
| Attitudes/Orientation         | 88.9%                       | 11.1% | 0.0%  | 61.3%                        | 33.7% | 5.0%  |
| Mean Score                    | M = 2.75, $SD = 1.77$ , 0-6 |       |       | M = 5.64, $SD = 3.65$ , 0-17 |       |       |

Nance County n = 20; Statewide n = 1512

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

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\*Data were not separated by year because there were too few cases

| System Point                     | N  | Amer.<br>Indian/<br>Alaskan<br>Native | Asian/<br>Pacific<br>Islander | Black | Hispanic/<br>Latino | Multiple/<br>Other | Unspec/<br>Missing | White  |
|----------------------------------|----|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------|
| Law enforcement contact          |    | 1                                     |                               |       |                     |                    |                    |        |
| Youth taken to temporary custody |    |                                       |                               |       |                     |                    |                    |        |
| Youth issued citation/referral   | 0* |                                       |                               |       |                     |                    |                    |        |
| Youth referred to diversion      | 27 | 0%                                    | 0%                            | 0%    | 0%                  | 0%                 | <mark>3.70%</mark> | 96.30% |
| Youth enrolled in diversion      | 27 | 0%                                    | 0%                            | 0%    | 0%                  | 0%                 | 3.70%              | 96.30% |
| Successful completion diversion  | 23 | 0%                                    | 0%                            | 0%    | 0%                  | 0%                 | 4.30%              | 95.70% |
| Youth with multiple charges      | 1  | 0%                                    | 0%                            | 0%    | 100%                | 0%                 | 0%                 | 0%     |
| Filed on in adult court          |    |                                       |                               |       |                     |                    |                    |        |
| RAI Override: More<br>Severe     | 2  | 0%                                    | 0%                            | 0%    | <mark>50%</mark>    | 0%                 | 0%                 | 50%    |
| RAI Override: Less<br>Severe     | 1  | 0%                                    | 0%                            | 0%    | 0%                  | 0%                 | 0%                 | 100%   |
| Probation intake                 | 8  | 0%                                    | 0%                            | 0%    | <mark>25%</mark>    | 0%                 | 0%                 | 75%    |





| Successful          | 19 | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0%               | 0% | 0% | 100% |
|---------------------|----|----|----|----|------------------|----|----|------|
| probation           |    |    |    |    |                  |    |    |      |
| Revocation of       | 5  | 0% | 0% | 0% | <mark>20%</mark> | 0% | 0% | 80%  |
| probation           |    |    |    |    |                  |    |    |      |
| Youth in OJS        |    |    |    |    |                  |    |    |      |
| custody             |    |    |    |    |                  |    |    |      |
| OJS custody: placed | -  | -  |    |    |                  |    |    |      |
| in detention        |    |    |    |    |                  |    |    |      |
| Youth booked into   |    | -  |    |    |                  |    |    |      |
| detention           |    |    |    |    |                  |    |    |      |
| Youth booked into   |    |    |    |    |                  |    |    |      |
| detention more than |    |    |    |    |                  |    |    |      |
| once                |    |    |    |    |                  |    |    |      |

<sup>\*</sup>Nance County sheriff on partially reported in 2017, and did not report in 2015, 2016, or 2018



# **Family Level**

- Nance County has lower rates of youth in poverty compared to the state.
- Number of adults with bachelor's degrees is lower than the state average; it may be possible that
  residents who go to college outside of Nance County find employment where they go to school
  and do not return to Nance County.
- Youth in Nance County have access to computers and internet at home at higher rates than the state (4<sup>th</sup> in the state for internet in the home).
- 8th graders report not feeling as supported by adults at home compared to the state

Table 15.
Poverty/SES, Educational Attainment, Technology and Computers in Home, Housing, and Transportation (5-year estimates, 2014-2018) <sup>a</sup>

| Measurement                          |                           | Nance              | Nebraska |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|----------|
| Poverty/SES                          | Children <18 in Poverty   | 9.6%               | 14.8%    |
|                                      | Number of children 12-    | 54                 | 43,814   |
|                                      | 17 below 185% poverty     |                    |          |
|                                      | Percent of children 12-   | 21.2%              | 28.9%    |
|                                      | 17 below 185% poverty     |                    |          |
|                                      |                           |                    |          |
| Educational attainment               | Age 25+ with B.D.         | <mark>19.8%</mark> | 31.3%    |
|                                      | County rank               | 60                 | =        |
|                                      | Age 25+ with some         | 23.6%              | 23.0%    |
|                                      | college, no degree        |                    |          |
|                                      | County rank               | 55                 | =        |
|                                      | Age 25+ with HS degree    | 91.5%              | 91.1%    |
|                                      | County Rank               | 59                 | -        |
|                                      |                           |                    |          |
| Technology and computers in the home | % under 18 with a         | 99.4%              | 96.9%    |
|                                      | computer at home          |                    |          |
|                                      | County rank               | 32                 | -        |
|                                      | % under 18 with an        | 99.0%              | 91.0%    |
|                                      | internet subscription at  |                    |          |
|                                      | home                      |                    |          |
|                                      | County rank               | <mark>4</mark>     | -        |
|                                      | % under 18 with           | 99.0%              | 90.8%    |
|                                      | broadband internet        |                    |          |
|                                      | access at home            |                    |          |
|                                      | County Rank               | 4                  | -        |
|                                      |                           |                    |          |
| Housing                              | Owner-occupied households | 1,194              | 498,567  |





|                | Total households   | 1,546 | 754,063 |
|----------------|--------------------|-------|---------|
|                | Owner %            | 77.2% | 66.1%   |
|                | Renters            | 352   | 255,496 |
|                | Renter %           | 22.8% | 33.9%   |
| Transportation | Households with no | 49    | 40,465  |
|                | vehicle available  |       |         |
|                | Total households   | 1,546 | 754,063 |
|                | No vehicle %       | 3.2%  | 5.4%    |
|                |                    |       |         |

Table 16. Youth Who Report Supportive Adults by Grade (2016) <sup>d</sup>

|          |                             | 8 <sup>th</sup>    | 10 <sup>th</sup> | 12 <sup>th</sup> |
|----------|-----------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Nance    | Adult at home who listens   | <mark>86.4%</mark> | 85.4%            | 87.2%            |
| Nebraska |                             | <mark>87.3%</mark> | 85.0%            | 85.6%            |
| Nance    | Adult at school who listens | 86.7%              | 87.5%            | 92.5%            |
| Nebraska |                             | 85.2%              | 85.0%            | 87.4%            |

Table 17.
Domestic Violence Reports and Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means <sup>h</sup>

|          | Aggravated<br>Domestic Assaults<br>Reported | Aggravated Domestic Assaults Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means | Simple Domestic<br>Assaults Reported | Simple Domestics Assaults Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means |
|----------|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|
| Nance    | 0   | 0   | 0                                    | 0  |
| Nebraska | 562   | 402   | 2512                                 | 2019   |

Table 18. Child Abuse and Neglect Reports <sup>i</sup>

|          | Abuse/Neglect Calls | Reports Assessed | Substantiated | Unfounded |
|----------|---------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------|
| Nance    | 48                  | 44%              | 0%            | 67%       |
| Nebraska | 36,480              | 33.4%            | 16.0%         | 68.3%     |

# **Community Level**

- With regard to how youth perceive how their community feels about substance use, 8<sup>th</sup> graders are reporting lower than state averages for alcohol and cigarettes, 10<sup>th</sup> graders are reporting lower than state averages for alcohol, and 12<sup>th</sup>graders report lower than the state average for marijuana, alcohol, and cigarettes.
- 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.
  - Nance County is very close to 100%, and was at 100% sealed for dismissed and dropped cases in 2017 and 2018
- Data for race and ethnicity at each juvenile justice system point is imperative for an accurate Racial and Ethnic Disparities (RED) analysis. The court trial database (JUSTICE) has a high rate of missing data by race/ethnicity in this county.

Table 19. Community Violence Measured by Arrests for Violent Crime (2019) <sup>j</sup>

| Type of Violence                     | Nance | Nebraska |
|--------------------------------------|-------|----------|
| Murder and Nonnegligent manslaughter |       | 34       |
| Rape                                 |       | 264      |
| Robbery                              |       | 367      |
| Aggravated Assault                   |       | 1,639    |
| Other Assaults                       |       | 8,782    |

Table 20. Youth Perceptions of Community Attitudes on Substance Use by Grade (2016) <sup>d</sup>

|          |                               | 8 <sup>th</sup>    | 10 <sup>th</sup>   | 12 <sup>th</sup>   |
|----------|-------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Nance    | Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana  | 94.9%              | 98.0%              | <mark>82.5%</mark> |
| Nebraska |                               | 94.4%              | 89.8%              | <mark>85.2%</mark> |
| Nance    | Wrong/very wrong – alcohol    | <mark>84.7%</mark> | <mark>71.4%</mark> | <mark>45.0%</mark> |
| Nebraska | -                             | <mark>89.1%</mark> | <mark>80.4%</mark> | <mark>68.7%</mark> |
| Nance    | Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes | <mark>89.9%</mark> | 93.9%              | <mark>52.5%</mark> |
| Nebraska |                               | 92.9%              | 89.0%              | <mark>78.7%</mark> |





Table 21.

Juvenile Court Record Sealing Analysis (2015 – 2019) <sup>m</sup>

see Appendix for yearly data

|   | Number of charges<br>Sealed | Total Number of<br>charges | Sealed<br>(%)      |
|---|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Dismissed or Dropped                    | 21                          | 23                         | <mark>91.3%</mark> |
| Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ     |                             |                            |                    |
| Filed in Juv. Court                     | 41                          | 76                         | 53.9%              |
| Filed in Adult Court (M or I)           | 2                           | 2                          | 100%               |
| Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to |                             |                            |                    |
| Juv. Court                              |                             |                            |                    |
| Total                                   | 64                          | 101                        | 63.4%              |

<sup>\*</sup>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

- Nance County is not a county required to provide counsel under statute; notably, access to counsel is low in this community.
- There are few if any curfew and 3A, 3B, and 3C filings in court so the community is diverting appropriately.
- With respect to diversion practices, the community may want to consider a few things:
- o Not filing all unsuccessful cases, if the youth completed most of the diversion plan
- Allowing warning letters for the lowest risk youth
- Comparing diversion fees to court costs so they are comparable.
- If drug testing is needed, it should only be used on cases where the youth demonstrates a substance use issue.
- It is not clear why all first-time offenders are not referred to diversion but perhaps this is due to the ineligible offenses.

Table 22.

Percent of Youth in Juvenile Court Who Had Access to Counsel (2018) <sup>n</sup>

|                   | Nance                    | Nebraska |
|-------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| Access to Counsel | <mark>40.0% 59.9%</mark> | 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.





Table 23. Frequency of Youth with a Curfew Violation (2015 – 2019) <sup>m</sup>

|                     | Nance | Nebraska |
|---------------------|-------|----------|
| Curfew Court Filing | 0     | 352      |

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

|                                 |      | Nance |      |      |      |       |  |
|---------------------------------|------|-------|------|------|------|-------|--|
| Filed Subtype                   | 2015 | 2016  | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | Total |  |
| 3A- Homeless/Neglect            | 0    | 0     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |  |
| 3B – Absenteeism/Truancy        | 0    | 0     | 0    | 0    | 1    | 1     |  |
| 3B - Uncontrollable             | 0    | 0     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0     |  |
| 3C – Mentally III and Dangerous | 0    | 0     | 0    | 1    | 0    | 1     |  |

|                                 |      | Nebraska |      |      |      |       |
|---------------------------------|------|----------|------|------|------|-------|
| Filed Subtype                   | 2015 | 2016     | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | Total |
| 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 III and Dangerous | 22   | 48       | 37   | 22   | 23   | 306   |

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

|                                       | Nance                               | Nebraska *       |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| Refer ALL juveniles who are first     | No                                  | Yes: 27.3%       |
| time offenders to diversion           |                                     | No: 63.6%        |
|                                       |                                     | Not sure: 9.1%   |
| File a juvenile's charges at the      | No                                  | Yes: 18.2%       |
| time of the referral to diversion     |                                     | No: 70.5%        |
|                                       |                                     | Not sure: 11.4%  |
| File a juvenile's charges if they are | Sometimes                           | Always: 47.7%    |
| unsuccessful on diversion             |                                     | Sometimes: 47.7% |
|                                       |                                     | Not sure: 4.5%   |
| Allow a juvenile to complete          | Yes                                 | Yes: 61.4%       |
| diversion more than once              |                                     | No: 34.1%        |
|                                       |                                     | Not sure: 4.5%   |
| Charges/offenses that make a          | Yes; felonies, DUI, sexual assault, | Yes: 86.4%       |
| juvenile ineligible for diversion     | assault, other violent or dangerous | No: 9.1%         |
|                                       | offenses.                           | Not sure: 4.5%   |





| Warning letters instead of intervention       | No   | Yes: 27.3%<br>No: 61.4%<br>Not sure: 11.4% |
|---|--|--|
| Currently drug test                           | Yes  | Yes: 31.8%<br>No: 65.9%<br>Not sure: 2.3%  |
| Fees beyond restitution                       | Yes; depends on the offense and if online courses are required   | Yes: 86.4%<br>No: 13.6%<br>Not sure: 0.0%  |
| Use of graduated responses prior to discharge | Yes; we assign additional consequences if they are not compliant. If they fail to complete those or are further non-compliant, we then terminate the contract. | Yes: 47.7%<br>No: 25.0%<br>Not sure: 27.3% |
| Sealing diversion records                     | Yes; All juveniles under the age of 18 at the time of offense get their record sealed. We deal if on our end and then send a letter to the citing agency.      | Yes: 59.1%<br>No: 22.7%<br>Not sure: 18.2% |

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

# **Community Team Level**

- A community lead should be able to get roughly a 75% response, to ensure active participation on planning issues, your response rate was 20.0% (2 responses).
- The rates of collective impact went up for all elements from the 2019 survey, however this may not be representative of the team with such a small number of responses.
- The community team should be representative of the population of that community but should also include diversity. It might be beneficial to add diverse member to your team (especially because of the patterns of over and under representation.)
- Although the low response rate may affect the results of community team diversity, there could be more representation from other system points not currently represented.

Table 26.
Collective Impact Survey Response Rates P

|                             | Central Nebraska |                    | Nebraska |       |
|-----------------------------|------------------|--------------------|----------|-------|
| Year of survey              | 2019             | 2020               | 2019     | 2020  |
| Number of surveys sent      | 9                | 10                 | 1407     | 780   |
| Number of completed surveys | 5                | 2                  | 221      | 345   |
| Response rate               | 55.6%            | <mark>20.0%</mark> | 28.3%    | 24.5% |

Table 27.
Collective Impact Survey Scores P

|                          | Central Neb | raska | Nebraska   |      |      |       |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------|------------|------|------|-------|
| Year of survey           | 2019        | 2020  | 2019       | 2020 |      |       |
|                          | Mean Score  |       | Mean Score |      | Mean | Score |
| Common agenda            | 4.55        | 6.00  | 5.29       | 5.69 |      |       |
| Mutually reinforcing     | 5.09        | 5.50  | 5.37       | 5.50 |      |       |
| Shared measurement       | 4.80        | 5.00  | 5.21       | 5.45 |      |       |
| Continuous communication | 4.89        | 5.00  | 5.49       | 5.55 |      |       |
| Backbone agency          | 5.38        | 6.00  | 5.52       | 5.78 |      |       |

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 <sup>q</sup>

Table 28.
Community Planning Team Diversity P

|                    | Central N | Central Nebraska |         | raska |
|--------------------|-----------|------------------|---------|-------|
|                    | N = 2     | (%)              | N = 345 | (%)   |
| Gender             |           |                  |         | , ,   |
| Male               | 1         | 50.0%            | 101     | 29.3% |
| Female             | 1         | 50.0%            | 229     | 66.4% |
| Missing            |           |                  | 15      | 4.3%  |
| Age                |           |                  |         |       |
| Under 30           |           |                  | 19      | 5.6%  |
| 30-39              |           |                  | 68      | 19.6% |
| 40-49              | 1         | 50.0%            | 88      | 25.4% |
| 50-59              | 1         | 50.0%            | 90      | 25.8% |
| 60 and over        |           |                  | 44      | 13%   |
| Missing            |           |                  | 36      | 10.4% |
| Race/Ethnicity     |           |                  |         |       |
| White              | 2         | 100%             | 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 |           |                  | 63      | 18.3% |
| Missing            |           |                  | 19      | 5.5%  |
|                    |           |                  |         |       |





| Previous System Involvement       |         |       |     |       |
|-----------------------------------|---------|-------|-----|-------|
| Yes                               |         |       | 98  | 28.4% |
| No                                | 2       | 100%  | 242 | 70.1% |
| Missing                           |         |       | 5   | 1.4%  |
| System Point                      |         |       |     |       |
| Law enforcement                   |         |       | 34  | 7.8%  |
| County attorney/ juvenile court   | 1       | 50.0% | 32  | 7.3%  |
| K-12 or secondary education       | 1       | 50.0% | 65  | 14.9% |
| Ministry/faith based              |         |       | 10  | 2.3%  |
| Diversion                         | <u></u> |       | 55  | 12.6% |
| Probation                         |         |       | 31  | 7.1%  |
| Public defender/ defense counsel/ |         |       | 8   | 1.8%  |
| guardian ad litem                 |         |       |     |       |
| DHHS or Child Welfare             | <b></b> |       | 13  | 3.0%  |
| Treatment provider                | <b></b> |       | 40  | 9.2%  |
| Post adjudication or detention    | <b></b> |       | 8   | 1.8%  |
| Community based program           |         |       | 109 | 25.0% |
| Elected official or government    |         |       | 6   | 1.4%  |
| Restorative practices             | <b></b> |       | 6   | 1.4%  |
| Backbone or system improvement    | <b></b> |       | 3   | 0.7%  |
| Other                             |         |       | 16  | 3.7%  |
|                                   |         |       |     |       |
| Voice on Team                     |         |       |     |       |
| Feel heard                        | 2       | 100%  | 270 | 78.3% |
| Do not feel heard                 |         |       | 75  | 21.7% |

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<sup>\*</sup>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: 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<br>Sealed | Total Number of charges | Sealed<br>(%) |
|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| Dismissed or Dropped                    | 4                           | 5                       | 80.0%         |
| Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ     |                             | -                       |               |
| Filed in Juv. Court                     | 10                          | 23                      | 43.5%         |
| Filed in Adult Court (M or I)           | 2                           | 2                       | 100%          |
| Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to |                             |                         |               |
| Juv. Court                              |                             |                         |               |
| Total                                   | 16                          | 30                      | 53.3%         |

| 2016                                    | Number of charges<br>Sealed | Total Number of<br>charges | Sealed<br>(%) |
|---|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| Dismissed or Dropped                    | 9                           | 10                         | 90.0%         |
| Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ     |                             |                            |               |
| Filed in Juv. Court                     | 13                          | 31                         | 41.9%         |
| Filed in Adult Court (M or I)           |                             | -                          |               |
| Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to |                             |                            |               |
| Juv. Court                              |                             |                            |               |
| Total                                   | 22                          | 41                         | 53.7%         |

| 2017                                    | Number of charges<br>Sealed | Total Number of<br>charges | Sealed<br>(%) |
|---|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| Dismissed or Dropped                    | 6                           | 6                          | 100%          |
| Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ     |                             |                            |               |
| Filed in Juv. Court                     | 8                           | 8                          | 100%          |
| Filed in Adult Court (M or I)           |                             |                            |               |
| Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to |                             |                            |               |
| Juv. Court                              |                             |                            |               |
| Total                                   | 14                          | 14                         | 100%          |





| 2018                                    | Number of charges<br>Sealed | Total Number of charges | Sealed<br>(%) |
|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| Dismissed or Dropped                    | 2                           | 2                       | 100%          |
| Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ     |                             |                         |               |
| Filed in Juv. Court                     | 10                          | 11                      | 90.9%         |
| Filed in Adult Court (M or I)           |                             |                         |               |
| Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to |                             |                         |               |
| Juv. Court                              |                             |                         |               |
| Total                                   | 12                          | 13                      | 92.3%         |

| 2019                                    | Number of charges<br>Sealed | Total Number of charges | Sealed<br>(%) |
|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| Dismissed or Dropped                    |                             |                         |               |
| Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ     |                             |                         |               |
| Filed in Juv. Court                     |                             |                         |               |
| Filed in Adult Court (M or I)           |                             |                         |               |
| Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to |                             |                         |               |
| Juv. Court                              |                             |                         |               |
| Total                                   |                             |                         |               |