



Platte County

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## Youth Level

- Platte County has a larger Hispanic population as compared to the rest of the state. Census data reflects that less than 1% of the population are Black youth. Similarly, Black youth are less than 1% of youth enrolled in schools.
- 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.
- Platte County has much higher rates of limited English proficiency.
- Hispanic youth enroll in schools at roughly 30-35%, but make up roughly 30-50% of students chronically absent.
- Free and reduced lunch are slightly higher than the rest of the state. IDEA plans have risen slightly. High school graduation rates comparable to the overall state average.
- Platte County may want to participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey (last time this county participated was 2014). This tool provides good information on binge drinking, drug use, depression, suicide ideation, etc. and often provides guidance for juvenile justice interventions.
- Data was not available about gang involvement.
- Overall juvenile crime was down 11% from 2018 to 2019. Crimes like larceny/ theft, assault, possession, disorderly conduct, went down. Driving under the influence went up by 1 incident, and all other offenses up 47%.
- Table 14: Youth on diversion showing higher means in family circumstances and education/employment on the risk assessment tool, as compared to the
- DMC/RED: law enforcement data by race and ethnicity would be very beneficial to have a clearer picture of which youth are processed through the system. It appears most racial groups are referred and enroll in diversion at equitable rates. Hispanic youth are more likely to have multiple charges and be filed in adult court.
- Black youth have a disproportionate override rate, while Hispanic youth seem to benefit from an underide rate, but also get overrides 40% of the time.

Table 1.  
 Distribution of the Population Age 10-17 by Race/Ethnicity and Gender (5-year estimates, 2014-2018) <sup>a</sup>

### 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%
<b>Platte</b>	<b>2,095</b>	<b>71.3%</b>	<b>24.9%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>1.8%</b>



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**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%
<b>Platte</b>	<b>1,902</b>	<b>75.9%</b>	<b>21.8%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>1.8%</b>	<b>0.4%</b>

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

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	<b>Platte</b>	<b>4,779</b>	<b>32.98%</b>	<b>0.65%</b>	<b>0.84%</b>	<b>0.82%</b>	<b>0.10%</b>	<b>63.15%</b>	<b>1.46%</b>
	Nebraska	312,281	17.74%	2.43%	1.42%	6.70%	0.13%	68.20%	3.38%
2015-2016	<b>Platte</b>	<b>4,945</b>	<b>34.20%</b>	<b>0.51%</b>	<b>0.89%</b>	<b>0.87%</b>	<b>0.10%</b>	<b>62.29%</b>	<b>1.15%</b>
	Nebraska	315,542	18.08%	2.53%	1.38%	6.67%	0.14%	67.72%	3.47%
2016-2017	<b>Platte</b>	<b>5,065</b>	<b>35.40%</b>	<b>0.51%</b>	<b>1.18%</b>	<b>0.91%</b>	<b>0.10%</b>	<b>60.61%</b>	<b>1.28%</b>
	Nebraska	318,853	18.61%	2.66%	1.38%	6.69%	0.15%	66.92%	3.59%
2017-2018	<b>Platte</b>	<b>5,072</b>	<b>35.82%</b>	<b>0.63%</b>	<b>0.75%</b>	<b>0.87%</b>	<b>0.12%</b>	<b>60.49%</b>	<b>1.32%</b>
	Nebraska	323,391	18.80%	2.76%	1.35%	6.67%	0.14%	66.50%	3.78%
2018-2019	<b>Platte</b>	<b>5,222</b>	<b>36.50%</b>	<b>0.59%</b>	<b>0.77%</b>	<b>0.90%</b>	<b>0.11%</b>	<b>59.77%</b>	<b>1.36%</b>
	Nebraska	325,984	19.13%	2.83%	1.33%	6.63%	0.15%	66.02%	3.91%

Table 3.  
 Chronic Absenteeism by Race/Ethnicity and School Year (2014 - 2019) <sup>b</sup>

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	<b>Platte</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>44.99%</b>	*	*	*	*	<b>55.01%</b>	*
	Nebraska	35,638	24.54%	1.64%	4.42%	12.93%	0.19%	51.61%	4.68%
2015-2016	<b>Platte</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>48.39%</b>	*	<b>2.41%</b>	*	*	<b>49.20%</b>	*
	Nebraska	38,812	25.73%	1.55%	4.27%	13.68%	0.27%	49.68%	4.83%
2016-2017	<b>Platte</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>51.84%</b>	*	*	*	*	<b>48.16%</b>	*
	Nebraska	42,290	26.90%	1.66%	4.40%	14.22%	0.24%	47.66%	4.92%
	<b>Platte</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>56.96%</b>	*	*	*	*	<b>43.04%</b>	*



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2017-2018	Nebraska	46,365	26.81%	1.77%	4.18%	14.49%	0.22%	47.37%	2389
2018-2019	<b>Platte</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>55.17%</b>	*	*	*	*	<b>44.83%</b>	*
	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) <sup>b</sup>

Year	Geographic Area	Total Count	IDEA	504 Plan	Limited English Proficiency	Free/Reduced Lunch
2014-2015	<b>Platte</b>	<b>4,779</b>	<b>13.02%</b>	<b>0.25%</b>	<b>10.48%</b>	<b>47.63%</b>
	Nebraska	312,281	13.66%	0.76%	5.97%	44.53%
2015-2016	<b>Platte</b>	<b>4,945</b>	<b>12.32%</b>	<b>0.42%</b>	<b>9.93%</b>	<b>48.61%</b>
	Nebraska	315,542	13.64%	0.90%	5.90%	44.23%
2016-2017	<b>Platte</b>	<b>5,065</b>	<b>11.98%</b>	<b>0.32%</b>	<b>11.49%</b>	<b>51.43%</b>
	Nebraska	318,853	13.80%	0.93%	6.99%	44.76%
2017-2018	<b>Platte</b>	<b>5,072</b>	<b>13.92%</b>	<b>0.34%</b>	<b>10.00%</b>	<b>53.51%</b>
	Nebraska	323,391	15.87%	0.88%	6.59%	46.24%
2018-2019	<b>Platte</b>	<b>5,222</b>	<b>14.94%</b>	<b>0.71%</b>	<b>10.70%</b>	<b>48.30%</b>
	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) <sup>c</sup>

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%	-
<b>Platte</b>	<b>1,717</b>	<b>1,950</b>	<b>114.5</b>	<b>130.0</b>	<b>88.1%</b>	<b>86</b>

Table 6. Youth Who Report Mental Health Symptoms and Substance Use by Grade (2018) <sup>d</sup>

		8 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Platte</b>	Loss of sleep from worry	--	--	--
Nebraska		18.0%	20.6%	21.6%
<b>Platte</b>	Depressed	--	--	--
Nebraska		31.1%	34.8%	35.3%



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<b>Platte</b>	Considered/Attempted suicide	--	--	--
Nebraska		22.9%	18.2%	16.2%
<b>Platte</b>	Current alcohol	--	--	--
Nebraska		9.8%	20.1%	34.2%
<b>Platte</b>	Current binge drinking	--	--	--
Nebraska		1.3%	6.2%	15.0%
<b>Platte</b>	Current marijuana	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.0%	7.3%	13.9%
<b>Platte</b>	Current tobacco	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.7%	8.0%	15.3%
<b>Platte</b>	Current vaping	--	--	--
Nebraska		10.4%	24.7%	37.3%
<b>Platte</b>	Hopeful for future (past week)	--	--	--
Nebraska		72.1%	74.7%	78.4%

\*Platte County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey (last was 2014)

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

Table 7.

Juveniles Referred to Services <sup>e</sup>

Table 8.

Juveniles Referred to Services by Race/Ethnicity, Gender, and Mental Health Diagnosis <sup>e</sup>

Table 9.

Juveniles Who Utilized Services <sup>e</sup>

Table 10.

Types of Services Utilized <sup>e</sup>

Table 11.

Youth Who Report Gang Involvement by Grade (2018) <sup>d</sup>

		8 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Platte</b>	Youth Reported Gang Involvement	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.8%	4.4%	3.8%

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Table 11b.

## Estimated Gang Involvement by Local Law Enforcement

Per Kim Olsufka with the Columbus Police Department via phone on August 26, 2020, they don't track gang information and would not have it readily available. The department used to have a gang specialist office, but he has left the department and hasn't been replaced. As this officer has been gone for a few year, Kim Olsufka was not sure how updated the information they would have would be. A written request for this data went unanswered.

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		
	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %
Summary Arrest Date						
Jurisdiction by Geography	PLATTE COUNTY					
Arrest Offense						
Total	1,145	1,118	-2.36	209	185	-11.48
Rape Total	4	6	50.00	1	-	-100.00
Robbery Total	2	1	-50.00	2	-	-100.00
Aggravated Assault Total	11	16	45.45	1	-	-100.00
Burglary Total	1	4	300.00	-	-	-
Larceny-Theft Total	117	115	-1.71	20	15	-25.00
Motor Vehicle Theft Total	9	5	-44.44	1	1	0.00
Other Assaults	106	96	-9.43	24	22	-8.33
Forgery and Counterfeiting	1	12	1100.00	-	1	-
Fraud	12	12	0.00	2		-100.00
Stolen Property; Buying, Receiving, Possessing	5	8	60.00	2	1	-50.00
Vandalism	70	48	-31.43	20	16	-20.00
Weapons; Carrying, Possessing, etc.	12	8	-33.33	1	1	0.00
Purchasing Prostitution	5	3	-40.00	-	-	-
Sex Offenses (Except Rape and Prostitution)	4	9	125.00	2	1	-50.00
Drug Violations - Sale/Manufacturing	12	13	8.33	2	1	-50.00
Drug Violations - Possession	175	214	22.29	31	27	-12.90
Offenses Against Family and Children	4	8	100.00	0	-	-
Driving Under the Influence	159	128	-19.50	3	4	33.33
Liquor Laws	111	77	-30.63	33	28	-15.15



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Disorderly Conduct	21	12	-42.86	11	5	-54.55
All Other Offenses (Except Traffic)	293	323	10.24	42	62	47.62
Runaways	11	-	-100.00	11	-	-100.00

Table 13.  
Risk Assessment Domains for Youth Assessed on Diversion (2015 - 2017) <sup>9</sup>

Score	Platte		All YLS Counties	
	<i>M</i>	<i>SD</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>SD</i>
Family Circumstance/Parenting	2.14	1.46	1.20	1.32
Education/Employment	2.00	1.16	1.27	1.35
Peer Relationships	1.71	0.76	1.78	1.08
Substance Use	1.29	1.11	1.29	1.40
Leisure/Recreation	1.86	1.07	0.88	0.95
Personality/Behavior	1.43	.79	1.34	1.52
Attitudes/Orientation	1.00	0.58	0.45	0.79
Mean Score	<i>M</i> = 11.43, <i>SD</i> = 4.54, 5-17		<i>M</i> = 8.23, <i>SD</i> = 5.22, 0-31	

Platte County *n* = 7; Statewide *n* = 2124

Table 14.  
Racial and Ethnic Disparities Descriptives (2015-2019) <sup>1</sup>

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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	1226	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	517	0.40%	0.80%	1.20%	39.70%	1.40%	2.30%	54.40%
Youth enrolled in diversion	436	0.50%	0.90%	0.90%	38.30%	1.60%	2.80%	55%
Successful completion diversion	386	0.50%	1%	1%	39.40%	1.30%	2.80%	53.90%
Youth with multiple charges	59	1.70%	0%	0%	40.70%	0%	3.40%	54.20%
Filed on in adult court	2	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	50%	0%
RAI Override: More Severe	48	2.10%	0%	4.20%	39.60%	2.10%	0%	52.10%
RAI Override: Less Severe	12	0%	0%	0%	66.70%	0%	0%	33.30%
Probation intake	169	3%	0%	3.60%	41.40%	0.60%	0%	51.50%
Successful probation	317	2.80%	0.30%	0.90%	42.30%	0.60%	0%	53%
Revocation of probation	80	2.50%	0%	2.50%	38.80%	1.20%	0%	55%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



## Family Level

- Table 15: Platte County has fewer youth in poverty, as compared to state percentages, but also has fewer adult (25 and older) with a bachelors degree.)
- 97% of your youth have a computer at home and have access to internet, which is very relevant in 2020.
- Slightly higher homeownership compared to the entire state.

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

Measurement		Platte	Nebraska
<b>Poverty/SES</b>	Children <18 in Poverty	11.1%	14.8%
	Number of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	779	43,814
	Percent of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	26.5%	28.9%
<b>Educational attainment</b>	Age 25+ with B.D.	22.2%	31.3%
	County Rank	37	-
	Age 25+ with some college, no degree	22.1%	23.0%
	County Rank	73	-
	Age 25+ with HS degree	88.7%	91.1%
	County Rank	76	-
<b>Technology and computers in the home</b>	% under 18 with a computer at home	97.2%	96.9%
	County Rank	67	-
	% under 18 with an internet subscription at home	91.8%	91.0%
	County Rank	42	-
	% under 18 with broadband internet access at home	91.8%	90.8%
	County Rank	39	-



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<b>Housing</b>	Owner-occupied households	9,360	498,567
	Total households	13,000	754,063
	Owner %	72.0%	66.1%
	Renters	3,640	255,496
	Renter %	28.0%	33.9%
<b>Transportation</b>	Households with no vehicle available	558	40,465
	Total households	13,000	754,063
	No vehicle %	4.3%	5.4%

Table 16.  
Youth Who Report Supportive Adults by Grade (2018) <sup>d</sup>

		8 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Platte</b>	Adult at home who listens	--	--	--
Nebraska		87.3%	85.0%	85.6%
<b>Platte</b>	Adult at school who listens	--	--	--
Nebraska		85.2%	85.0%	87.4%

\*Platte County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey (last was 2014)

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

	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
<b>Platte</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>29</b>
Nebraska	562	402	2512	2019

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

	Abuse/Neglect Calls	Reports Assessed	Substantiated	Unfounded
<b>Platte</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>65%</b>
Nebraska	36,480	33.4%	16.0%	68.3%



### Community Level

- Table 21: 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). Diversion appears to have an in-depth policy for sealing records.
- 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) <sup>j</sup>

Type of Violence	Platte	Nebraska
Murder and Nonnegligent manslaughter	0	34
Rape	6	264
Robbery	1	367
Aggravated Assault	16	1,639
Other Assaults	96	8,782

Table 20. Youth Perceptions of Community Attitudes on Substance Use by Grade (2018) <sup>d</sup>

		8 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Platte</b>	Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana	--	--	--
Nebraska		94.4%	89.8%	85.2%
<b>Platte</b>	Wrong/very wrong – alcohol	--	--	--
Nebraska		89.1%	80.4%	68.7%
<b>Platte</b>	Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes	--	--	--
Nebraska		92.9%	89.0%	78.7%

\*Platte County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey (last was 2014)



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Table 21. Juvenile Court Record Sealing Analysis (2015 – 2019) <sup>m</sup>

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	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	668	756	88.4%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	0	3	0.0%
Filed in Juv. Court	774	1225	63.2%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	8	12	66.7% <sup>2</sup>
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	1450	1996	72.6%

\* 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

Table 22: “No juvenile court cases” as reported by Kids Count. However, since it is clear that cases are filed in juvenile court each year, team members may want to look into whether youth received court appointed counsel.

Table 24: Absenteeism and truancy are lower level cases that could be diverted from court system, (52 filing overall, declining since 2017).

Table 25: With respect to diversion practices, the community may want to consider a few things:

- 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. With a higher proportion of children <18 in poverty, perhaps offering scholarships.

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

	Platte	Nebraska
Access to Counsel	No Juvenile Court Cases	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) <sup>m</sup>

	Platte	Nebraska
Curfew Court Filing	1	352

Table 24.  
Court Filing for 3A, 3B, and 3C cases (2015 – 2019) <sup>m</sup>

Filed Subtype	Platte					Total
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
3A - Homeless/Neglect	0	0	0	0	0	0
3B – Absenteeism/Truancy	4	18	14	8	8	52
3B - Uncontrollable	0	0	1	0	1	2
3C – Mentally Ill and Dangerous	0	2	1	0	5	8

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) <sup>o</sup>

	Platte	Nebraska *
Refer ALL juveniles who are first time offenders to diversion	Yes	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%
Charges/offenses that make a juvenile ineligible for diversion	Yes; felony charges	Yes: 86.4% No: 9.1% Not sure: 4.5%



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Warning letters instead of intervention	No	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; Tier I (lowest level of supervision) \$50.00, Tier II \$100.00, Tier III (Highest level of supervision) \$ 120.00 fees may be reduced for free and reduced lunch or when a financial affidavit is completed	Yes: 86.4% No: 13.6% Not sure: 0.0%
Use of graduated responses prior to discharge	Yes; incentives, time limits, individualized depending on the situation.	Yes: 47.7% No: 25.0% Not sure: 27.3%
Sealing diversion records	Yes; The sealing of records form is explained and given to the responsible adult in each case. Once the client has completed diversion a letter is sent and a sealed form and sticker is placed on the file. Each sealed file is place in a locked room. All juveniles who successfully complete diversion records are sealed. The unsuccessful clients who the county attorney choose to file on are sealed once the case is closed by the court. The court will send me the order to seal letter which is stapled on the file and placed with the other sealed files.	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

- Table 26. A community lead should be able to get roughly a 75% response, to ensure active participation on planning issues: Platte County’s response rate was 45%. But your respondents reported high collective impact (Table 27).
- Table 28: The community team should be representative of the population of that community, Platte County’s is. It is important to get feedback from your team on why we see particular RED patters (probation override and underide.)
- On the survey –no county attorney or defense counsel in your team – but perhaps they did not respond to the survey.
- Good representation of persons formerly involved in the system.
- Only three team members did not feel heard, but it is important to pay attention to this and explore other methods of collecting input.

Table 26.  
 Collective Impact Survey Response Rates <sup>P</sup>

Year of survey	Platte		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Number of surveys sent	32	40	1407	780
Number of completed surveys	17	18	221	345
Response rate	53.1%	45.0%	28.3%	24.5%

Table 27.  
 Collective Impact Survey Scores <sup>P</sup>

Year of survey	Platte		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Mean Score		Mean Score	
Common agenda	5.80	6.06	5.29	5.69
Mutually reinforcing	5.93	6.00	5.37	5.50
Shared measurement	5.73	6.00	5.21	5.45
Continuous communication	5.86	6.11	5.49	5.55
Backbone agency	5.87	6.00	5.52	5.78

The five elements of Collective Impact are:



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- **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 <sup>p</sup>

	Platte		Nebraska	
	N = 18	(%)	N = 345	(%)
<b>Gender</b>				
Male	4	22.2%	101	29.3%
Female	14	77.8%	229	66.4%
Missing	--	--	15	4.3%
<b>Age</b>				
Under 30	1	5.6%	19	5.6%
30-39	5	27.8%	68	19.6%
40-49	6	33.3%	88	25.4%
50-59	1	5.6%	90	25.8%
60 and over	4	22.2%	44	13%
Missing	1	5.6%	36	10.4%
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>				
White	15	83.3%	230	66.7%
Black	--	--	10	2.9%
Hispanic	2	11.1%	13	3.8%
Native American	--	--	6	1.7%
Asian	--	--	1	0.3%
Other	--	--	2	0.6%
Provided town name	1	5.6%	63	18.3%
Missing	--	--	19	5.5%
<b>Previous System Involvement</b>				



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Yes	2	11.1%	98	28.4%
No	16	88.9%	242	70.1%
Missing	--	--	5	1.4%
<b>System Point*</b>				
Law enforcement	1	5.3%	34	7.8%
County attorney/ juvenile court	--	--	32	7.3%
K-12 or secondary education	4	21.1%	65	14.9%
Ministry/faith based	1	5.3%	10	2.3%
Diversion	3	15.8%	55	12.6%
Probation	2	10.5%	31	7.1%
Public defender/ defense counsel/ guardian ad litem	--	--	8	1.8%
DHHS or Child Welfare	1	5.3%	13	3.0%
Treatment provider	3	15.8%	40	9.2%
Post adjudication or detention	--	--	8	1.8%
Community based program	3	15.8%	109	25.0%
Elected official or government	--	--	6	1.4%
Restorative practices	--	--	6	1.4%
Backbone or system improvement	--	--	3	0.7%
Other	1	5.3%	16	3.7%
<b>Voice on Team</b>				
Feel heard	15	83.3%	270	78.3%
Do not feel heard	3	16.7%	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	237	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	104	0%	0%	0%	28.80%	1%	0%	70.20%
Youth enrolled in diversion	87	0%	0%	0%	26.40%	1.10%	0%	72.40%
Successful completion diversion	75	0%	0%	0%	26.70%	1.30%	0%	72%
Youth with multiple charges	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Filed on in adult court	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%	NA%
RAI Override: More Severe	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
RAI Override: Less Severe	2	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	50%
Probation intake	22	0%	0%	0%	36.40%	0%	0%	63.60%
Successful probation	69	4.30%	0%	0%	33.30%	2.90%	0%	59.40%
Revocation of probation	19	0%	0%	0%	57.90%	5.30%	0%	36.80%
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	296	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	110	0.90%	0%	0.90%	44.50%	2.70%	1.80%	49.10%
Youth enrolled in diversion	97	1%	0%	1%	43.30%	3.10%	2.10%	49.50%
Successful completion diversion	88	1.10%	0%	1.10%	45.50%	3.40%	2.30%	46.60%
Youth with multiple charges	12	0%	0%	0%	33.30%	0%	8.30%	58.30%
Filed on in adult court	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%	NA%
RAI Override: More Severe	20	5%	0%	5%	45%	0%	0%	45%
RAI Override: Less Severe	5	0%	0%	0%	60%	0%	0%	40%
Probation intake	46	2.20%	0%	2.20%	47.80%	0%	0%	47.80%
Successful probation	39	2.60%	0%	0%	56.40%	0%	0%	41%
Revocation of probation	18	0%	0%	0%	22.20%	0%	0%	77.80%
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

<b>System Point</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>Amer. Indian/ Alaskan Native</b>	<b>Asian/ Pacific Islander</b>	<b>Black</b>	<b>Hispanic/ Latino</b>	<b>Multiple/ Other</b>	<b>Unspec/ Missing</b>	<b>White</b>
Law enforcement contact	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth taken to temporary custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth issued citation/referral	299	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	98	1%	2%	1%	41.80%	1%	6.10%	46.90%
Youth enrolled in diversion	88	1.10%	2.30%	1.10%	43.20%	1.10%	6.80%	44.30%
Successful completion diversion	76	1.30%	2.60%	1.30%	43.40%	0%	6.60%	44.70%
Youth with multiple charges	25	4%	0%	0%	56%	0%	0%	40%
Filed on in adult court	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%	NA%
RAI Override: More Severe	12	0%	0%	0%	41.70%	0%	0%	58.30%
RAI Override: Less Severe	3	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%
Probation intake	43	4.70%	0%	4.70%	46.50%	0%	0%	44.20%
Successful probation	59	1.70%	0%	0%	32.20%	0%	0%	66.10%
Revocation of probation	19	0%	0%	0%	21.10%	0%	0%	78.90%
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	209	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	77	0%	0%	2.60%	41.60%	0%	3.90%	51.90%
Youth enrolled in diversion	63	0%	0%	0%	39.70%	0%	4.80%	55.60%
Successful completion diversion	56	0%	0%	0%	42.90%	0%	5.40%	51.80%
Youth with multiple charges	14	0%	0%	0%	28.60%	0%	0%	71.40%
Filed on in adult court	1	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%
RAI Override: More Severe	8	0%	0%	12.50%	50%	0%	0%	37.50%
RAI Override: Less Severe	2	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	50%
Probation intake	34	5.90%	0%	8.80%	41.20%	0%	0%	44.10%
Successful probation	65	3.10%	0%	0%	40%	0%	0%	56.90%
Revocation of probation	16	0%	0%	0%	62.50%	0%	0%	37.50%
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	185	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	128	0%	1.60%	1.60%	41.40%	1.60%	0.80%	53.10%
Youth enrolled in diversion	101	0%	2%	2%	38.60%	2%	1%	54.50%
Successful completion diversion	91	0%	2.20%	2.20%	38.50%	1.10%	1.10%	54.90%
Youth with multiple charges	7	0%	0%	0%	28.60%	0%	14.30%	57.10%
Filed on in adult court	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%
RAI Override: More Severe	7	0%	0%	0%	14.30%	14.30%	0%	71.40%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
Probation intake	24	0%	0%	0%	25%	4.20%	0%	70.80%
Successful probation	85	2.40%	1.20%	3.50%	51.80%	0%	0%	41.20%
Revocation of probation	8	25%	0%	25%	25%	0%	0%	25%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

**Appendix: Sealed Court Records by Year**

\* 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

<b>2015</b>	<b>Number of charges Sealed</b>	<b>Total Number of charges</b>	<b>Sealed (%)</b>
Dismissed or Dropped	150	158	94.9%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	175	255	68.6%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	3	6	50.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
<b>Total</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>78.3%</b>

<b>2016</b>	<b>Number of charges Sealed</b>	<b>Total Number of charges</b>	<b>Sealed (%)</b>
Dismissed or Dropped	177	187	94.7%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	202	298	67.8%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	0	1	0.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
<b>Total</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>486</b>	<b>78.0%</b>

<b>2017</b>	<b>Number of charges Sealed</b>	<b>Total Number of charges</b>	<b>Sealed (%)</b>
Dismissed or Dropped	191	217	88.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	238	352	67.6%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	1	1	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
<b>Total</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>75.4%</b>

<b>2018</b>	<b>Number of charges Sealed</b>	<b>Total Number of charges</b>	<b>Sealed (%)</b>
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Dismissed or Dropped	107	131	81.7%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	114	174	65.5%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	1	1	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	222	306	72.5%

2019	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	43	63	68.3%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	0	3	0.0%
Filed in Juv. Court	45	146	30.8%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	3	3	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	91	215	42.3%