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Saunders County

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Youth Level

- More youth have IDEA plans than the state comparison across all years.
- More youth report losing sleep from worry or depressed, compared to the state.
- For substance use, 12th grades have higher reported alcohol use than the state; all grades report higher marijuana use, tobacco use and vaping than the state.
- Hispanic youth have higher chronic absenteeism than the school membership distribution across all years.
- One offense showed an increase from 2018 to 2019: liquor laws. Vandalism and Larceny-theft decreased from 2018 to 2019.
- Several of the domains that assessed youth on diversion from the NYS and YLS (2015-2017) were higher than the state. The highest domain for the county was Leisure/Recreation.
- It appears the juvenile justice system points are funneling youth appropriately from “arrest”, to diversion, to probation. Black and Hispanic youth are over-represented in Probation intakes, as compared to diversion referrals. Black youth are over-represented in Probation intakes as compared to the total population. Unspecified race/ethnicity in court filings is problematic for analysis.

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%
Saunders	1,329	91.9%	3.5%	0.0%	1.8%	0	2.8%

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%
Saunders	988	94.5%	3.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.6%	1.6%

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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	Saunders	2,883	4.13%	0.73%	0.42%	1.46%	0.24%	91.95%	1.08%
	Nebraska	312,281	17.74%	2.43%	1.42%	6.70%	0.13%	68.20%	3.38%
2015-2016	Saunders	2,926	4.55%	0.79%	0.44%	1.23%	0.27%	91.32%	1.40%
	Nebraska	315,542	18.08%	2.53%	1.38%	6.67%	0.14%	67.72%	3.47%
2016-2017	Saunders	3,002	4.10%	0.70%	0.50%	1.27%	0.30%	91.64%	1.50%
	Nebraska	318,853	18.61%	2.66%	1.38%	6.69%	0.15%	66.92%	3.59%
2017-2018	Saunders	3,068	4.43%	0.62%	0.39%	1.37%	0.29%	91.20%	1.69%
	Nebraska	323,391	18.80%	2.76%	1.35%	6.67%	0.14%	66.50%	3.78%
2018-2019	Saunders	3,159	4.34%	0.66%	0.28%	1.30%	0.13%	91.39%	1.90%
	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) ^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	Saunders	196	10.71%	*	*	*	*	89.29%	*
	Nebraska	35,638	24.54%	1.64%	4.42%	12.93%	0.19%	51.61%	4.68%
2015-2016	Saunders	180	8.89%	*	*	*	*	91.11%	*
	Nebraska	38,812	25.73%	1.55%	4.27%	13.68%	0.27%	49.68%	4.83%
2016-2017	Saunders	203	7.39%	*	*	*	*	92.61%	*
	Nebraska	42,290	26.90%	1.66%	4.40%	14.22%	0.24%	47.66%	4.92%
2017-2018	Saunders	202	8.91%	*	*	*	*	91.09%	*
	Nebraska	46,365	26.81%	1.77%	4.18%	14.49%	0.22%	47.37%	2389
2018-2019	Saunders	162	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	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



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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	Saunders	2,883	15.89%	*	0.87%	33.85%
	Nebraska	312,281	13.66%	0.76%	5.97%	44.53%
2015-2016	Saunders	2,926	15.72%	0.58%	0.79%	33.80%
	Nebraska	315,542	13.64%	0.90%	5.90%	44.23%
2016-2017	Saunders	3,002	16.19%	0.40%	0.77%	35.48%
	Nebraska	318,853	13.80%	0.93%	6.99%	44.76%
2017-2018	Saunders	3,068	18.48%	0.68%	0.62%	33.25%
	Nebraska	323,391	15.87%	0.88%	6.59%	46.24%
2018-2019	Saunders	3,159	18.55%	1.30%	0.51%	34.76%
	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%	-
Saunders	982	1,043	39.3	41.7	94.2%	49

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
Saunders	Loss of sleep from worry	22.9%	17.2%	23.0%
Nebraska		18.0%	20.6%	21.6%
Saunders	Depressed	35.3%	38.4%	39.2%
Nebraska		31.1%	34.8%	35.3%
Saunders	Considered/Attempted suicide	22.9%	18.2%	16.2%
Nebraska		22.9%	18.2%	16.2%
Saunders	Current alcohol	8.6%	18.2%	48.6%
Nebraska		9.8%	20.1%	34.2%
Saunders	Current binge drinking	3.6%	4.0%	15.1%



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Nebraska		1.3%	6.2%	15.0%
Saunders	Current marijuana	4.3%	8.1%	27.0%
Nebraska		3.0%	7.3%	13.9%
Saunders	Current tobacco	2.2%	10.1%	23.0%
Nebraska		3.7%	8.0%	15.3%
Saunders	Current vaping	11.5%	29.3%	59.5%
Nebraska		10.4%	24.7%	37.3%
Saunders	Hopeful for future (past week)	72.1%	74.7%	78.4%
Nebraska		78.0%	76.1%	77.6%

****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

		8th	10th	12th
Saunders	Youth Reported Gang Involvement	4.3%	4.0%	4.1%
Nebraska		3.8%	4.4%	3.8%



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Table 12.

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

Arrestee Age	All Arrestee Ages			Under 18		
Summary Arrest Date	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %
Jurisdiction by Geography	SAUNDERS COUNTY					
Arrest Offense						
Total	479	419	-12.53	72	52	-27.78
Rape Total	2	1	-50.00	1	-	-100.00
Aggravated Assault Total	1	5	400.00	-	-	-
Burglary Total	4	14	250.00	-	0	-
Larceny-Theft Total	25	15	-40.00	9	3	-66.67
Motor Vehicle Theft Total	1	3	200.00	-	1	-
Other Assaults	51	50	-1.96	8	7	-12.50
Forgery and Counterfeiting	-	1	-	-	-	-
Fraud	8	3	-62.50	0	-	-
Stolen Property; Buying, Receiving, Possessing	2	3	50.00	1	1	0.00
Vandalism	37	13	-64.86	22	2	-90.91
Weapons; Carrying, Possessing, etc.	3	6	100.00	-	2	-
Sex Offenses (Except Rape and Prostitution)	2	2	0.00	0	0	-
Drug Violations - Sale/Manufacturing	6	1	-83.33	1	-	-100.00
Drug Violations - Possession	81	48	-40.74	11	10	-9.09
Offenses Against Family and Children	27	4	-85.19	0	-	-
Driving Under the Influence	55	52	-5.45	0	0	-
Liquor Laws	15	38	153.33	4	8	100.00
Disorderly Conduct	3	8	166.67	1	0	-100.00
All Other Offenses (Except Traffic)	155	150	-3.23	14	16	14.29
Curfew and Loitering Law Violations	1	-	-100.00	0	-	-
Runaways	-	2	-	-	2	-



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Table 13a.

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

Score	Saunders			All NYS Counties		
	0	1	2	0	1	2
Family Circumstance/Parenting	47.0%	36.4%	16.7%	60.1%	26.7%	13.1%
Education/Employment	42.4%	40.9%	16.7%	43.0%	44.0%	13.1%
Peer Relationships	30.3%	59.1%	10.6%	44.7%	46.6%	8.6%
Substance Use	63.6%	28.8%	7.6%	61.4%	30.3%	8.3%
Leisure/Recreation	34.8%	43.9%	21.2%	50.6%	33.0%	16.5%
Personality/Behavior	47.0%	37.9%	15.2%	50.1%	39.4%	10.4%
Attitudes/Orientation	65.2%	27.3%	7.6%	61.3%	33.7%	5.0%
Mean Score	M = 5.88, SD = 3.94, 0-16			M = 5.64, SD = 3.65, 0-17		

Table 13b.

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

Score	Saunders		All YLS Counties	
	M	SD	M	SD
Family Circumstance/Parenting	2.80	2.10	1.20	1.32
Education/Employment	2.00	1.63	1.27	1.35
Peer Relationships	1.60	1.08	1.78	1.08
Substance Use	1.20	1.55	1.29	1.40
Leisure/Recreation	0.90	0.99	0.88	0.95
Personality/Behavior	2.10	2.03	1.34	1.52
Attitudes/Orientation	0.70	0.82	0.45	0.79
Mean Score	M = 11.40, SD = 5.02, 4-23		M = 8.23, SD = 5.22, 0-31	

Saunders County $n = 10$; Statewide $n = 2124$



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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	271	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	133	0.80%	0%	4.50%	0.80%	2.30%	0%	91.70%
Youth enrolled in diversion	101	1%	0%	3%	1%	2%	0%	93.10%
Successful completion diversion	85	1.20%	0%	3.50%	1.20%	2.40%	0%	91.80%
Youth with multiple charges	18	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	22.20%	77.80%
Filed on in adult court	2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	50%	50%
RAI Override: More Severe	4	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	50%
RAI Override: Less Severe	3	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Probation intake	21	0%	0%	19%	9.50%	0%	0%	71.40%
Successful probation	68	0%	0%	1.50%	4.40%	0%	0%	94.10%
Revocation of probation	6	0%	0%	16.70%	0%	0%	0%	83.30%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



Family Level

- Youth reporting having a supportive adult at home and school is lower for 12th graders than the state
- Youth of all grades report having more caregivers in the military than the state.
- Poverty, educational attainment, technology access, home ownership, and transportation do not appear to be problematic compared to the state. Those age 25+ with a bachelor's degree is lower than the state average.

Table 15.

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

		Saunders	Nebraska
Poverty/SES	Children <18 in Poverty	12.8%	14.8%
	Number of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	395	43,814
	% of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	20.7%	28.9%
Educational attainment	Age 25+ with B.D.	25.4%	31.3%
	County Rank	19	-
	Age 25+ with some college, no degree	25.1%	23.0%
	County Rank	33	-
	Age 25+ with HS degree	92.8%	91.1%
	County Rank	40	-
Technology and computers in the home	% under 18 with a computer at home	98.2%	96.9%
	County Rank	49	-
	% under 18 with an internet subscription at home	92.6%	91.0%
	County Rank	37	-
	% under 18 with broadband internet access at home	92.3%	90.8%
	County Rank	35	-



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Housing	Owner-occupied households	6,534	498,567
	Total households	8,326	754,063
	Owner %	78.5 %	66.1%
	Renters	1,792	255,496
	Renter %	21.5 %	33.9%
Transportation	Households with no vehicle available	217	40,465
	Total households	8,326	754,063
	No vehicle %	2.6%	5.4%

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

		8th	10th	12th
Saunders	Adult at home who listens	90.0%	88.9%	79.7%
Nebraska		87.3%	85.0%	85.6%
Saunders	Adult at school who listens	85.0%	85.1%	78.4%
Nebraska		85.2%	85.0%	87.4%

Table 17.
Domestic Violence Reports and Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means (2019) ^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
Saunders	1	1	14	14
Nebraska	562	402	3512	2019

Table 18.
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports (2018) ⁱ

	Abuse/Neglect Calls	Reports Assessed	Substantiated	Unfounded
Saunders	238	39.0%	16.0%	66.0%
Nebraska	36,480	33.4%	16.0%	68.3%



Community Level

- Youth in 12th grade do not think their parents find alcohol, marijuana, and cigarettes wrong, compared to the state.
- 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).
- 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	Saunders	Nebraska
Murder and Nonnegligent manslaughter	0	34
Rape	1	264
Robbery	0	367
Aggravated Assault	5	1,639
Other Assaults	50	8,782

Table 20.

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Saunders	Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana	92.9%	87.9%	79.7%
Nebraska		94.4%	89.8%	85.2%
Saunders	Wrong/very wrong – alcohol	87.9%	77.8%	64.9%
Nebraska		89.1%	80.4%	68.7%
Saunders	Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes	93.5%	88.9%	75.3%
Nebraska		92.9%	89.0%	78.7%



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Table 21.

Juvenile Court Record Sealing Analysis (2015 – 2019) ^msee [Appendix for yearly data](#)

	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	65	81	80.2%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	163	252	64.7%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	9	13	69.2%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	237	346	68.5%

*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

- Despite not being in a county required to provide counsel under statute, access to counsel is similar to the state average, but still lower than ideal.
- There are few curfew and 3A, 3B, and 3C filings in court so the community is diverting appropriately.
- Diversion practices and procedures are consistent with evidence-based practices. 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) ⁿ

	Saunders	Nebraska
Access to Counsel	60.0% -- 79.9%	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.

Table 23.

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

	Saunders	Nebraska
Curfew Court Filing	1	352



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Table 24.

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

	Saunders					
Filed Subtype	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
3A- Homeless/Neglect	0	0	0	0	0	0
3B – Absenteeism/Truancy	0	0	0	1	2	3
3B - Uncontrollable	0	1	3	2	0	6
3C – Mentally Ill and Dangerous	0	1	0	0	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 Ill and Dangerous	22	48	37	22	23	306

Table 25.

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

	Saunders	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%
Charges/offenses that make a juvenile ineligible for diversion	Yes; DUI and serious violent felonies (i.e., rape, sexual assault on a minor, etc.)	Yes: 86.4% No: 9.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Warning letters instead of intervention	Yes	Yes: 27.3% No: 61.4% Not sure: 11.4%
Currently drug test	Yes; based on youth and parent request to assist them	Yes: 31.8% No: 65.9% Not sure: 2.3%



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Fees beyond restitution	Yes; varies based on level of offense	Yes: 86.4% No: 13.6% Not sure: 0.0%
Use of graduated responses prior to discharge	Yes; sanctions put in place (increased activities or contact with diversion officer)	Yes: 47.7% No: 25.0% Not sure: 27.3%
Sealing diversion records	Yes; those who successfully complete have their records sealed at the time of successful closure. Those who have not successfully closed are sealed when we do the review on cases. We seal them on JCMS. We delete files after the five-year mark of required file retention policies	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 response rate to the collective impact survey improved from 2019 to 2020 and was higher than the state average for 2020.
- The community team appears to represent the county demographic population, with the exception of Hispanic/Latino representation. This is important to consider within the context of Hispanic youth having chronic absenteeism. The community team would also benefit from having additional representation from education and representation from public defender/guardian ad litem/defense counsel.
- Fewer members of the community team reported feeling heard as compared to the state average.

Table 26.
Collective Impact Survey Response Rates ^P

	Saunders		Nebraska	
Year of survey	2019	2020	2019	2020
Number of surveys sent	25	26	1407	780
Number of completed surveys	3	29	221	345
Response rate	12.0%	111.5%	28.3%	24.5%

Table 27.
Collective Impact Survey Scores ^P

	Saunders		Nebraska	
Year of survey	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Mean Score		Mean Score	
Common agenda	5.73	5.86	5.29	5.69
Mutually reinforcing	5.89	5.82	5.37	5.50
Shared measurement	5.07	5.43	5.21	5.45
Continuous communication	6.48	5.61	5.49	5.55
Backbone agency	6.33	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 ^q

Table 28.

Community Planning Team Diversity ^p

	Saunders		Nebraska	
	N = 29	(%)	N = 345	(%)
Gender				
Male	11	58.6%	101	29.3%
Female	17	37.9%	229	66.4%
Missing	1	3.4%	15	4.3%
Age				
Under 30	2	6.9%	19	5.6%
30-39	5	17.2%	68	19.6%
40-49	5	17.2%	88	25.4%
50-59	9	31.0%	90	25.8%
60 and over	6	20.7%	44	13%
Missing	2	6.9%	36	10.4%
Race/Ethnicity				
White	19	65.5%	230	66.7%
Black	1	3.4%	10	2.9%
Hispanic	0	0.0%	13	3.8%
Native American	0	0.0%	6	1.7%
Asian	0	0.0%	1	0.3%
Other	0	0.0%	2	0.6%
Provided town name	8	27.6%	63	18.3%
Missing	1	3.4%	19	5.5%
Previous System Involvement				



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Yes	11	37.9%	98	28.4%
No	18	62.1%	242	70.1%
Missing	0	0.0%	5	1.4%
System Point*				
Law enforcement	7	21.2%	34	7.8%
County attorney/ juvenile court	2	6.1%	32	7.3%
K-12 or secondary education	1	3.0%	65	14.9%
Ministry/faith based	1	3.0%	10	2.3%
Diversion	2	6.1%	55	12.6%
Probation	2	6.1%	31	7.1%
Public defender/ defense counsel/ guardian ad litem	0	0.0%	8	1.8%
DHHS or Child Welfare	1	3.0%	13	3.0%
Treatment provider	4	12.1%	40	9.2%
Post adjudication or detention	1	3.0%	8	1.8%
Community based program	8	24.2%	109	25.0%
Elected official or government	1	3.0%	6	1.4%
Restorative practices	0	0.0%	6	1.4%
Backbone or system improvement	0	0.0%	3	0.7%
Other	3	9.1%	16	3.7%
Voice on Team				
Feel heard	20	69.0%	270	78.3%
Do not feel heard	9	31.0%	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	41	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	27	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth enrolled in diversion	22	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Successful completion diversion	20	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth with multiple charges	4	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	50%	50%
Filed on in adult court	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%	NA%
RAI Override: More Severe	1	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
Probation intake	4	0%	0%	0%	25%	0%	0%	75%
Successful probation	21	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Revocation of probation	1	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	55	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	27	0%	0%	3.70%	3.70%	3.70%	0%	88.90%
Youth enrolled in diversion	20	0%	0%	0%	5%	0%	0%	95%
Successful completion diversion	20	0%	0%	0%	5%	0%	0%	95%
Youth with multiple charges	2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
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	2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Probation intake	7	0%	0%	28.60%	14.30%	0%	0%	57.10%
Successful probation	15	0%	0%	0%	6.70%	0%	0%	93.30%
Revocation of probation	2	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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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	51*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	26	0%	0%	3.80%	0%	0%	0%	96.20%
Youth enrolled in diversion	18	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Successful completion diversion	13	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
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	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Probation intake	4	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Successful probation	9	0%	0%	11.10%	22.20%	0%	0%	66.70%
Revocation of probation	2	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	0%	50%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

*Ashland PD only partially reported to the NCC in 2017



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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	72	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	41	2.40%	0%	4.90%	0%	4.90%	0%	87.80%
Youth enrolled in diversion	34	2.90%	0%	2.90%	0%	5.90%	0%	88.20%
Successful completion diversion	26	3.80%	0%	3.80%	0%	7.70%	0%	84.60%
Youth with multiple charges	5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	20%	80%
Filed on in adult court	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%
RAI Override: More Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
Probation intake	3	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Successful probation	7	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Revocation of probation	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
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	52	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	12	0%	0%	16.70%	0%	0%	0%	83.30%
Youth enrolled in diversion	7	0%	0%	28.60%	0%	0%	0%	71.40%
Successful completion diversion	6	0%	0%	33.30%	0%	0%	0%	66.70%
Youth with multiple charges	6	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	16.70%	83.30%
Filed on in adult court	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
RAI Override: More Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
Probation intake	3	0%	0%	66.70%	0%	0%	0%	33.30%
Successful probation	16	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Revocation of probation	1	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	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



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	13	14	92.9%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	47	49	95.9%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	2	2	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	62	65	95.4%

2016	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	8	11	72.7%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	24	33	72.7%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	1	1	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	33	45	73.3%

2017	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	12	14	85.7%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	31	41	75.6%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	1	1	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	44	56	78.6%

2018	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	18	20	90.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	38	68	55.9%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	4	6	66.7%



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Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	60	94	63.8%

2019	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	14	22	63.6%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	23	61	37.7%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	1	3	33.3%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	38	86	44.2%