



Saline County

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Youth Level

- The number of total youth with chronic absenteeism has decreased in 2018-2019 from previous years.
- Hispanic youth in Saline County are overrepresented in chronic absenteeism compared to the school enrollment data.
- While we could not get race/ethnicity data for chronic absenteeism in this community because the frequency was too low to report Native American and Black youth are over-represented statewide in chronic absenteeism.
- Saline County has more youth who qualified for free/reduced lunch compared to the state
- There are more youth in Saline County who are limited English proficiency compared to the state, almost 3 times as many in some years.
- 8th, 10th, and 12th graders report loss of sleep from worry and being depressed at higher rates in Saline County compared to the state; 12th graders also report they had considered/attempted suicide at higher rates.
- 12th graders report marijuana use at higher rates in Saline County compared to state rates.
- 10th and 12th graders in Saline County report feeling less hopeful for the future compared to the state.
- 12th graders report gang involvement at higher rates compared to the state.
- Arrests for all age groups decreased in Saline County between 2018 and 2019, especially with the “all other offenses” category.
 - An increase in drug possessions is noted.
 - An increase in juvenile “arrests” for runaways is also seen between 2018 and 2019 (however, with such small frequencies, this increase should be taken with caution).
- NYS domains with the highest scores are Education/Employment, Substance Use, Peer Relationships, and Family Circumstances. 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, Native American youth are overrepresented at probation intake and successful probation completion; Black youth are over-represented in multiple charges being filed, RAI overrides, probation intakes, successful probation completion and probation revocations, and Hispanic youth are overrepresented in successful probation completion and probation revocation.
 - Race/ethnicity is missing at the system points of being filed on in adult court and having multiple charges filed.
- Youth are being referred to diversion and enrolling at the same rate. The number of youth successfully completing diversion is slightly lower than the number of youth enrolling but not much lower.

Table 1.

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



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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%
Saline	883	58.1%	32.6%	2.4%	0.6%	1.5%	4.9%

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%
Saline	852	45.2%	29.3%	0.6%	0.6%	18.3%	6.0%

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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	Saline	2,891	39.92%	1.90%	0.31%	0.55%	0.03%	55.79%	1.49%
	Nebraska	312,281	17.74%	2.43%	1.42%	6.70%	0.13%	68.20%	3.38%
2015-2016	Saline	2,898	40.92%	1.97%	0.35%	0.62%	0.00%	54.69%	1.45%
	Nebraska	315,542	18.08%	2.53%	1.38%	6.67%	0.14%	67.72%	3.47%
2016-2017	Saline	2,948	42.64%	1.97%	0.41%	1.02%	0.10%	52.41%	1.46%
	Nebraska	318,853	18.61%	2.66%	1.38%	6.69%	0.15%	66.92%	3.59%
2017-2018	Saline	3,106	42.79%	1.80%	0.45%	1.09%	0.42%	51.80%	1.64%
	Nebraska	323,391	18.80%	2.76%	1.35%	6.67%	0.14%	66.50%	3.78%
2018-2019	Saline	3,229	43.79%	1.89%	0.53%	1.02%	0.43%	50.67%	1.67%
	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



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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	Saline	180	50.00%	*	*	*	*	50.00%	*
	Nebraska	35,638	24.54%	1.64%	4.42%	12.93%	0.19%	51.61%	4.68%
2015-2016	Saline	241	50.21%	*	*	*	*	49.79%	*
	Nebraska	38,812	25.73%	1.55%	4.27%	13.68%	0.27%	49.68%	4.83%
2016-2017	Saline	257	57.20%	*	*	*	*	42.80%	*
	Nebraska	42,290	26.90%	1.66%	4.40%	14.22%	0.24%	47.66%	4.92%
2017-2018	Saline	287	56.45%	*	*	*	*	43.55%	*
	Nebraska	46,365	26.81%	1.77%	4.18%	14.49%	0.22%	47.37%	2389
2018-2019	Saline	187	54.01%	*	*	*	*	45.99%	*
	Nebraska	46,356	27.64%	1.76%	4.16%	14.71%	0.23%	46.27%	5.23%

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

Table 4.
 Disabilities, English Proficiency, Eligibility for Free/Reduced Lunch and School Year (2014 – 2019) ^b

Year	Geographic Area	Total Count	IDEA	504 Plan	Limited English Proficiency	Free/Reduced Lunch
2014-2015	Saline	2,891	13.25%	0.62%	18.75%	45.21%
	Nebraska	312,281	13.66%	0.76%	5.97%	44.53%
2015-2016	Saline	2,898	13.22%	0.90%	19.15%	45.79%
	Nebraska	315,542	13.64%	0.90%	5.90%	44.23%
2016-2017	Saline	2,948	13.57%	0.78%	19.98%	49.05%
	Nebraska	318,853	13.80%	0.93%	6.99%	44.76%
2017-2018	Saline	3,106	15.55%	0.80%	17.93%	51.77%
	Nebraska	323,391	15.87%	0.88%	6.59%	46.24%
2018-2019	Saline	3,229	15.17%	*	17.40%	52.83%
	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		



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Nebraska	100,111	112,857	20,022.2	22,571.4	88.7%	-
Saline	960	1,060	48.0	53.0	90.6%	73

Table 6. Youth Who Report Mental Health Symptoms and Substance Use by Grade (2018) ^d

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Saline	Loss of sleep from worry	19.6%	21.3%	23.5%
Nebraska		18.0%	20.6%	21.6%
Saline	Depressed	37.6%	40.6%	42.6%
Nebraska		31.1%	34.8%	35.3%
Saline	Considered/Attempted suicide	21.1%	16.9%	17.2%
Nebraska		22.9%	18.2%	16.2%
Saline	Current alcohol	4.6%	18.0%	30.4%
Nebraska		9.8%	20.1%	34.2%
Saline	Current binge drinking	0.0%	4.9%	13.0%
Nebraska		1.3%	6.2%	15.0%
Saline	Current marijuana	0.5%	3.7%	14.0%
Nebraska		3.0%	7.3%	13.9%
Saline	Current tobacco	1.0%	4.3%	12.3%
Nebraska		3.7%	8.0%	15.3%
Saline	Current vaping	6.7%	20.4%	31.0%
Nebraska		10.4%	24.7%	37.3%
Saline	Hopeful for future (past week)	76.7%	71.3%	70.9%
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.



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Types of Services Utilized ^e

Table 11.
Youth Who Report Gang Involvement by Grade (2018) ^d

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Saline	Youth Reported Gang Involvement	1.6%	3.1%	5.2%
Nebraska		3.8%	4.4%	3.8%

Table 12.
Arrest Rates for Adults and Juveniles for 2018 and 2019 with Percent Change ^f

Arrestee Age	All Arrestee Ages			Under 18		
	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %
Summary Arrest Date						
Jurisdiction by Geography	SALINE COUNTY					
Arrest Offense						
Total	492	398	-19.11	68	30	-55.88
Rape Total	6	3	-50.00	1	-	-100.00
Aggravated Assault Total	14	16	14.29	3	-	-100.00
Burglary Total	4	8	100.00	-	-	-
Larceny-Theft Total	29	24	-17.24	6	6	0.00
Motor Vehicle Theft Total	2	-	-100.00	2	-	-100.00
Other Assaults	57	47	-17.54	14	2	-85.71
Fraud	8	6	-25.00	-	-	-
Stolen Property; Buying, Receiving, Possessing	2	-	-100.00	-	-	-
Vandalism	8	13	62.50	2	2	0.00
Weapons; Carrying, Possessing, etc.	7	2	-71.43	-	-	-
Assisting or Promoting Prostitution	-	1	-	-	-	-
Sex Offenses (Except Rape and Prostitution)	1	1	0.00	-	-	-
Drug Violations - Sale/Manufacturing	3	3	0.00	0	-	-
Drug Violations - Possession	56	74	32.14	9	3	-66.67
NIBRS Unable to Classify	4	6	50.00	-	-	-
Offenses Against Family and Children	26	3	-88.46	-	-	-
Driving Under the Influence	58	52	-10.34	0	1	
Liquor Laws	53	38	-28.30	12	9	-25.00
Disorderly Conduct	15	6	-60.00	2	-	-100.00



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All Other Offenses (Except Traffic)	138	93	-32.61	16	5	-68.75
Runaways	1	2	100.00	1	2	100.0

Table 13.
 Risk Assessment Domains for Youth Assessed on Diversion (2015 - 2017) ^g

Score	Saline			All NYS Counties		
	0	1	2	0	1	2
Family Circumstance/Parenting	93.3%	6.7%	0.0%	60.1%	26.7%	13.1%
Education/Employment	86.7%	6.7%	6.7%	43.0%	44.0%	13.1%
Peer Relationships	93.3%	6.7%	0.0%	44.7%	46.6%	8.6%
Substance Use	73.3%	26.7%	0.0%	61.4%	30.3%	8.3%
Leisure/Recreation	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	50.6%	33.0%	16.5%
Personality/Behavior	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	50.1%	39.4%	10.4%
Attitudes/Orientation	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	61.3%	33.7%	5.0%
Mean Score	<i>M</i> = 0.83, <i>SD</i> = 1.16, 0-4			<i>M</i> = 5.64, <i>SD</i> = 3.65, 0-17		

Saline County *n* = 15; Statewide *n* = 1512

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

[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	334*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	23	0%	0%	0%	43.50%	4.30%	0%	52.20%
Youth enrolled in diversion	22	0%	0%	0%	40.90%	4.50%	0%	54.50%
Successful completion diversion	19	0%	0%	0%	36.80%	5.30%	0%	57.90%



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Youth with multiple charges	29	0%	0%	6.90%	31%	0%	27.60%	34.50%
Filed on in adult court	11	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	27.30%	72.70%
RAI Override: More Severe	4	0%	0%	25%	25%	0%	0%	50%
RAI Override: Less Severe	5	0%	0%	0%	40%	0%	0%	60%
Probation intake	48	6.20%	0%	6.20%	37.50%	0%	0%	50%
Successful probation	119	3.40%	0%	7.60%	48.70%	0%	0%	40.30%
Revocation of probation	60	0%	0%	5%	73.30%	0%	0%	21.70%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

*Wilber PD (closed) only partially reported to the NCC in 2017 and did not report in 2018.



Family Level

- Saline County has higher 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 Saline County find employment where they go to school and do not return to Saline County.
 - There are also fewer adults in Saline County with some college with no degree and with a high school degree compared to the state.
- Youth in Saline County have access to computers at higher rates than the state, but lower rates of internet access at home.
- Compared to the state, 10th and 12th graders in Saline County report feeling less supported by adults at home, while 8th and 10th graders report feeling less supported by adults in school.
- 75% of child abuse and neglect cases are unfounded.

Table 15.

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

Measurement		Saline	Nebraska
Poverty/SES	Children <18 in Poverty	15.8%	14.8%
	Number of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	395	43,814
	Percent of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	33.8%	28.9%
Educational attainment	Age 25+ with B.D.	14.3%	31.3%
	County Rank	92	-
	Age 25+ with some college, no degree	20.7%	23.0%
	County Rank	83	-
	Age 25+ with HS degree	84.3%	91.1%
	County Rank	89	-
Technology and computers in the home	% under 18 with a computer at home	97.0%	96.9%
	County Rank	70	-
	% under 18 with an internet subscription at home	88.5%	91.0%
	County Rank	63	-



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	% under 18 with broadband internet access at home	87.3%	90.8%
	County Rank	66	-
Housing	Owner-occupied households	3,535	498,567
	Total households	5,073	754,063
	Owner %	69.7%	66.1%
	Renters	1,538	255,496
	Renter %	30.3%	33.9%
Transportation	Households with no vehicle available	80	40,465
	Total households	5,073	754,063
	No vehicle %	1.6%	5.4%

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Saline	Adult at home who listens	87.6%	82.7%	76.3%
Nebraska		87.3%	85.0%	85.6%
Saline	Adult at school who listens	83.6%	82.8%	91.4%
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
Saline	10	8	15	12
Nebraska	562	402	2512	2019

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

	Abuse/Neglect Calls	Reports Assessed	Substantiated	Unfounded
Saline	208	40%	10%	75%
Nebraska	36,480	33.4%	16.0%	68.3%



Community Level

- Other assaults are the type of violent crime with the most arrests in Saline County.
- With regard to how youth perceive how their community feels about substance use, 8th and 12th graders are reporting lower than state averages for marijuana, alcohol and cigarettes, and 10th graders report lower than the state average for alcohol.
- 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.
- 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) ⁱ

Type of Violence	Saline	Nebraska
Murder and Nonnegligent manslaughter	0	34
Rape	3	264
Robbery	0	367
Aggravated Assault	16	1,639
Other Assaults	47	8,782

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Saline	Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana	94.2%	91.4%	81.0%
Nebraska		94.4%	89.8%	85.2%
Saline	Wrong/very wrong – alcohol	88.0%	76.9%	64.9%
Nebraska		89.1%	80.4%	68.7%
Saline	Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes	91.7%	89.4%	70.2%
Nebraska		92.9%	89.0%	78.7%



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

see [Appendix for yearly data](#)

	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	99	123	80.5%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	475	800	59.4%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	35	51	68.6%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	609	977	62.3%

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



Policy, Legal and System Level

- This county is not a county required to provide counsel under statute; notably, access to counsel is very low in this community.
- There are few curfew and 3A, 3B, and 3C filings in court so the community is diverting appropriately. There have been some absenteeism filings in recent years, but the number is still low.
- 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.
 - It is not clear why all first-time offenders are not referred to diversion but perhaps this is due to the ineligible offenses.
 - Having a process for sealing records for youth on diversion with law enforcement and JCMS, as required by statute.

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

	Saline	Nebraska
Access to Counsel	20.0% – 39.9%	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

	Saline	Nebraska
Curfew Court Filing	1	352



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

Filed Subtype	Saline					Total
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
3A- Homeless/Neglect	0	0	0	0	0	0
3B – Absenteeism/Truancy	0	0	0	1	2	3
3B - Uncontrollable	0	0	1	0	0	1
3C – Mentally Ill and Dangerous	0	0	0	1	0	1

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

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

	Saline	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	Not sure	Yes: 18.2% No: 70.5% Not sure: 11.4%
File a juvenile's charges if they are unsuccessful on diversion	Not sure	Always: 47.7% Sometimes: 47.7% Not sure: 4.5%
Allow a juvenile to complete diversion more than once	No	Yes: 61.4% No: 34.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Charges/offenses that make a juvenile ineligible for diversion	Yes; traffic offenses and anything beyond a status offense or misdemeanor	Yes: 86.4% No: 9.1% Not sure: 4.5%
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%



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Fees beyond restitution	Yes; \$100.00 fee but can be reduced or waived if necessary	Yes: 86.4% No: 13.6% Not sure: 0.0%
Use of graduated responses prior to discharge	Not sure	Yes: 47.7% No: 25.0% Not sure: 27.3%
Sealing diversion records	Not sure	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

- A community lead should be able to get roughly a 75% response, to ensure active participation on planning issues, your response rate was 37.5%. This is lower than ideal, but higher than the state average.
 - Saline County had more responses in 2020 than 2019, but also had more team members which made the response rate lower.
- The rates of collective impact went up for almost all elements from the 2019 survey.
- 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

Year of survey	Saline		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Number of surveys sent	16	24	1407	780
Number of completed surveys	7	9	221	345
Response rate	43.8%	37.5%	28.3%	24.5%

Table 27. Collective Impact Survey Scores ^P

Year of survey	Saline		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Mean Score		Mean Score	
Common agenda	4.26	4.67	5.29	5.69
Mutually reinforcing	4.41	4.33	5.37	5.50
Shared measurement	3.82	4.11	5.21	5.45
Continuous communication	4.29	4.56	5.49	5.55
Backbone agency	4.47	4.67	5.52	5.78



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The five elements of Collective Impact are:

- **Common agenda:** Participants have a shared vision and common understanding of both the problem and potential solutions to that problem.
- **Mutually reinforcing activities:** Participant activities must be differentiated while still being coordinated through a mutually reinforcing plan of action.
- **Shared measurement:** Collecting data and measuring results consistently across all participants ensures efforts remain aligned and participants hold each other accountable.
- **Continuous communication:** Consistent and open communication is needed across stakeholders to build trust, assure mutual objectives, and create common motivation.
- **Backbone support:** Creating and managing Collective Impact often requires a separate organization(s) with staff and a specific set of skills to serve as the backbone for the entire initiative and to coordinate participating organizations ⁹

Table 28.
 Community Planning Team Diversity ^P

	Saline		Nebraska	
	N = 9	(%)	N = 345	(%)
Gender				
Male	5	55.6%	101	29.3%
Female	4	44.4%	229	66.4%
Missing	--	--	15	4.3%
Age				
Under 30	--	--	19	5.6%
30-39	1	11.1%	68	19.6%
40-49	1	11.1%	88	25.4%
50-59	2	22.2%	90	25.8%
60 and over	1	11.1%	44	13%
Missing	4	44.4%	36	10.4%
Race/Ethnicity				
White	7	77.8%	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	2	22.2%	63	18.3%
Missing	--	--	19	5.5%



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Previous System Involvement				
Yes	3	33.3%	98	28.4%
No	6	66.7%	242	70.1%
Missing	--	--	5	1.4%
System Point *				
Law enforcement	2	18.2%	34	7.8%
County attorney/ juvenile court	1	9.1%	32	7.3%
K-12 or secondary education	3	27.3%	65	14.9%
Ministry/faith based	--	--	10	2.3%
Diversion	3	27.3%	55	12.6%
Probation	1	9.1%	31	7.1%
Public defender/ defense counsel/ guardian ad litem	--	--	8	1.8%
DHHS or Child Welfare	--	--	13	3.0%
Treatment provider	--	--	40	9.2%
Post adjudication or detention	--	--	8	1.8%
Community based program	1	9.1%	109	25.0%
Elected official or government	--	--	6	1.4%
Restorative practices	--	--	6	1.4%
Backbone or system improvement	--	--	3	0.7%
Other	--	--	16	3.7%
Voice on Team				
Feel heard	6	66.7%	270	78.3%
Do not feel heard	3	33.3%	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	118	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	7	0%	0%	0%	57.10%	0%	0%	42.90%
Youth enrolled in diversion	7	0%	0%	0%	57.10%	0%	0%	42.90%
Successful completion diversion	6	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	50%
Youth with multiple charges	4	0%	0%	25%	25%	0%	50%	0%
Filed on in adult court	4	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	25%	75%
RAI Override: More Severe	1	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
Probation intake	11	0%	0%	18.20%	18.20%	0%	0%	63.60%
Successful probation	32	3.10%	0%	0%	56.20%	0%	0%	40.60%
Revocation of probation	6	0%	0%	50%	16.70%	0%	0%	33.30%
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	43	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	3	0%	0%	0%	33.30%	0%	0%	66.70%
Youth enrolled in diversion	3	0%	0%	0%	33.30%	0%	0%	66.70%
Successful completion diversion	3	0%	0%	0%	33.30%	0%	0%	66.70%
Youth with multiple charges	5	0%	0%	20%	20%	0%	40%	20%
Filed on in adult court	5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	40%	60%
RAI Override: More Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
RAI Override: Less Severe	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Probation intake	6	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	50%
Successful probation	27	0%	0%	22.20%	51.90%	0%	0%	25.90%
Revocation of probation	17	0%	0%	0%	76.50%	0%	0%	23.50%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



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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	75*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	6	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	50%
Youth enrolled in diversion	6	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	50%
Successful completion diversion	5	0%	0%	0%	40%	0%	0%	60%
Youth with multiple charges	7	0%	0%	0%	28.60%	0%	42.90%	28.60%
Filed on in adult court	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
RAI Override: More Severe	2	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	50%
RAI Override: Less Severe	3	0%	0%	0%	66.70%	0%	0%	33.30%
Probation intake	14	21.40%	0%	7.10%	35.70%	0%	0%	35.70%
Successful probation	21	4.80%	0%	4.80%	33.30%	0%	0%	57.10%
Revocation of probation	13	0%	0%	0%	92.30%	0%	0%	7.70%
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	68*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	5	0%	0%	0%	40%	20%	0%	40%
Youth enrolled in diversion	4	0%	0%	0%	25%	25%	0%	50%
Successful completion diversion	3	0%	0%	0%	33.30%	33.30%	0%	33.30%
Youth with multiple charges	8	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	12.50%	37.50%
Filed on in adult court	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%	NA%
RAI Override: More Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
RAI Override: Less Severe	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Probation intake	13	0%	0%	0%	46.20%	0%	0%	53.80%
Successful probation	20	5%	0%	10%	55%	0%	0%	30%
Revocation of probation	9	0%	0%	0%	77.80%	0%	0%	22.20%
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	30*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth enrolled in diversion	2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Successful completion diversion	2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth with multiple charges	5	0%	0%	0%	20%	0%	0%	80%
Filed on in adult court	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
RAI Override: More Severe	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
Probation intake	4	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	50%
Successful probation	19	5.30%	0%	0%	42.10%	0%	0%	52.60%
Revocation of probation	15	0%	0%	0%	73.30%	0%	0%	26.70%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

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**Appendix: Sealed Court Records by Year**

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

2015	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	29	37	78.4%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	99	140	70.7%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	8	15	53.3%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	136	192	70.8%

2016	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	22	27	81.5%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	109	175	62.3%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	21	30	70.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	152	235	64.7%

2017	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	21	24	87.5%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	133	173	76.9%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	2	2	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	156	199	78.4%



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2018	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	13	18	72.2%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	89	182	48.9%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	2	2	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	104	202	51.5%

2019	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	14	17	82.4%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	45	130	34.6%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	2	2	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	61	149	40.9%