



Sherman County

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Appendix: Sealed Court Records by Year2

Youth Level

- The number of total youth with chronic absenteeism has increased slightly in past years.
- 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.
- Sherman County has more youth who qualified for free/reduced lunch compared to the state
- 93.4% of students graduated in Sherman County over the last 5 years.
- 8th, 10th, and 12th graders report being depressed and considering/attempting suicide at higher rates in Sherman County compared to the state; 8th and 12th graders also report loss of sleep from worry.
- 8th and 12th graders report alcohol use at higher rates in Sherman County compared to state rates; all grades report binge drinking at higher rates.
- 8th graders in Sherman County report higher rates of vaping compared to the state.
- 8th and 10th graders in Sherman County report feeling less hopeful for the future compared to the state
- 8th and 10th graders report gang involvement at higher rates compared to the state.
- Arrests for all age groups increased in Sherman County between 2018 and 2019, especially with the "all other offenses" category.
 - There was a decrease in other assaults (non-aggravated).
- JJI did not have risk assessment scores for diversion from the 2015-2017 assessment
 evaluation to include. If the county is not using a validated assessment tool, then it should begin
 doing so (there will be a statewide tool coming in July 2021). If the county does have
 assessment data in digital format for JJI to analyze, we would be happy to update this table.
- 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, White youth are overrepresented at all
 system points except probation intake, Hispanic youth were overrepresented at probation
 intake.
- Youth are being referred to diversion and enrolling at the same rate, and completing diversion successfully at the same rate.

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	2+ Races
Nebraska	108,494	70.4%	16.2%	5.7%	1.4%	2.0%	4.4%
Sherman	146	96.6%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.1%



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Females

Geographic Area	Total Count	Non- Hispanic White	Hispanic or Latino	Black	American Indian	Asian or Pacific	2+ Races
Nebraska	102,658	69.9%	15.8%	5.2%	1.2%	2.5%	5.4%
Sherman	167	48.1%	16.8%	2.4%	19.3%	0.0%	13.4%

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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-	Sherman	444	4.28%	0.23%	0.00%	0.45%	0.00%	93.92%	1.13%
2015	Nebraska	312,281	17.74%	2.43%	1.42%	6.70%	0.13%	68.20%	3.38%
2015-	Sherman	446	4.04%	0.22%	0.00%	0.45%	0.00%	94.39%	0.90%
2016	Nebraska	315,542	18.08%	2.53%	1.38%	6.67%	0.14%	67.72%	3.47%
2016-	Sherman	466	4.29%	0.21%	0.43%	1.07%	0.21%	93.13%	0.64%
2017	Nebraska	318,853	18.61%	2.66%	1.38%	6.69%	0.15%	66.92%	3.59%
2017-	Sherman	480	3.75%	0.42%	0.00%	0.83%	0.21%	93.96%	0.83%
2018	Nebraska	323,391	18.80%	2.76%	1.35%	6.67%	0.14%	66.50%	3.78%
2018-	Sherman	453	4.19%	0.22%	0.22%	0.22%	0.00%	94.26%	0.88%
2019	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-	Sherman	19	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
2015	Nebraska	35,638	24.54%	1.64%	4.42%	12.93%	0.19%	51.61%	4.68%
2015-	Sherman	22	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
2016	Nebraska	38,812	25.73%	1.55%	4.27%	13.68%	0.27%	49.68%	4.83%
2016-	Sherman	29	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
2017	Nebraska	42,290	26.90%	1.66%	4.40%	14.22%	0.24%	47.66%	4.92%





2017-	Sherman	32	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
2018	Nebraska	46,365	26.81%	1.77%	4.18%	14.49%	0.22%	47.37%	2389
2018-	Sherman	46	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
2019	Nebraska	46,356	27.64%	1.76%	4.16%	14.71%	0.23%	46.27%	5.23%

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

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

Year	Geographic Area	Total Count	IDEA	504 Plan	Limited English Proficiency	Free/Reduced Lunch
2014-	Sherman	444	13.74%	*	*	<mark>45.05%</mark>
2015	Nebraska	312,281	13.66%	0.76%	5.97%	<mark>44.53%</mark>
2015-	Sherman	446	13.00%	*	*	<mark>44.62%</mark>
2016	Nebraska	315,542	13.64%	0.90%	5.90%	<mark>44.23%</mark>
2016-	Sherman	466	13.30%	*	*	<mark>48.71%</mark>
2017	Nebraska	318,853	13.80%	0.93%	6.99%	<mark>44.76%</mark>
2017-	Sherman	480	14.38%	*	*	<mark>47.29%</mark>
2018	Nebraska	323,391	15.87%	0.88%	6.59%	<mark>46.24%</mark>
2018-	Sherman	453	13.69%	*	*	<mark>46.36%</mark>
2019	Nebraska	325,984	16.13%	0.85%	6.78%	<mark>45.42%</mark>

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Table 5.

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

County	Total in Last 5 Years		Yearly Av	erages	Graduation	
	Graduates	Students	Graduates Students		Rate	Rank
Nebraska	100,111	112,857	20,022.2	22,571.4	88.7%	-
Sherman	142	152	14.2	15.2	<mark>93.4%</mark>	57

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
Sherman	Loss of sleep from worry	<mark>47.6%</mark>	15.4%	<mark>25.0%</mark>
Nebraska		<mark>18.0%</mark>	20.6%	<mark>21.6%</mark>
Sherman	Depressed	47.6%	<mark>42.3%</mark>	<mark>37.5%</mark>
Nebraska		<mark>31.1%</mark>	<mark>34.8%</mark>	<mark>35.3%</mark>
Sherman	Considered/Attempted suicide	<mark>28.6%</mark>	<mark>23.1%</mark>	<mark>18.8%</mark>
Nebraska		<mark>22.9%</mark>	<mark>18.2%</mark>	<mark>16.2%</mark>
Sherman	Current alcohol	<mark>10.0%</mark>	11.5%	<mark>37.5%</mark>
Nebraska		9.8%	20.1%	<mark>34.2%</mark>
Sherman	Current binge drinking	<mark>5.0%</mark>	<mark>7.7%</mark>	<mark>25.0%</mark>
Nebraska		<mark>1.3%</mark>	<mark>6.2%</mark>	<mark>15.0%</mark>
Sherman	Current marijuana	0.0%	0.0%	6.3%
Nebraska		3.0%	7.3%	13.9%
Sherman	Current tobacco	0.0%	3.8%	12.5%
Nebraska		3.7%	8.0%	15.3%
Sherman	Current vaping	<mark>14.3%</mark>	19.2%	31.3%
Nebraska		<mark>10.4%</mark>	24.7%	37.3%
Sherman	Hopeful for future (past week)	<mark>71.4%</mark>	<mark>65.4%</mark>	81.3%
Nebraska		<mark>78.0%</mark>	<mark>76.1%</mark>	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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Sherman	Youth Reported Gang Involvement	<mark>4.8%</mark>	<mark>15.4%</mark>	0.0%
Nebraska		<mark>3.8%</mark>	<mark>4.4%</mark>	3.8%

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

Arrestee Age		All Arres	stee Ages		Und	der 18
Summary Arrest Date	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %
Jurisdiction by Geography			SHERMA	N COUN	ITY	
Arrest Offense						
Total	<mark>19</mark>	<mark>28</mark>	47.37	1	2	100.00
Aggravated Assault Total	-	2	-	-	-	-
Larceny-Theft Total	1	2	100.00	-	-	-
Other Assaults	6	1	-83.33	1	-	-100.00
Drug Violations - Possession	2	2	0.00	0	-	-
Offenses Against Family and Children	-	1	-	-	-	-
Driving Under the Influence	4	2	-50.00	-	-	-
Liquor Laws	1	1	0.00	0	-	-
All Other Offenses (Except Traffic)	<mark>5</mark>	<mark>17</mark>	240.00	-	2	-

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

	Sherman			All NYS Counties		
Score	0	1	2	0	1	2
Family Circumstance/Parenting	1			60.1%	26.7%	13.1%
Education/Employment	1			43.0%	44.0%	13.1%
Peer Relationships	-			44.7%	46.6%	8.6%
Substance Use				61.4%	30.3%	8.3%
Leisure/Recreation	-			50.6%	33.0%	16.5%
Personality/Behavior				50.1%	39.4%	10.4%
Attitudes/Orientation	-			61.3%	33.7%	5.0%
Mean Score	M	=, SD =	,	M = 5.6	4, SD = 3.	65, 0-17

Could not compute because county did not have any risk assessments completed





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

Click here to see Census and School Population Data

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

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	19							
Youth referred to diversion	<mark>10</mark>	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth enrolled in diversion	10	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Successful completion diversion	<mark>10</mark>	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth with multiple charges	2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Filed on in adult court	2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
RAI Override: More Severe								
RAI Override: Less Severe								
Probation intake	4	0%	0%	0%	<mark>25%</mark>	0%	0%	75%
Successful probation Revocation of probation	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Youth in OJS custody								
OJS custody: placed in detention								
Youth booked into detention								
Youth booked into detention more than once								



Family Level

- Sherman 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 Sherman County find employment where they go to school
 and do not return to Sherman County.
- Youth in Sherman County have access to computers and internet in the home at higher rates than the state.
 - Ranked 1st in the state for computers in the home.
- Compared to the state, 8th, 10th, and 12th graders in Sherman County report feeling less supported by adults at home, and 12th graders also report feeling less supported by adults in school.

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

Measurement		Sherman	Nebraska
Poverty/SES	Children <18 in Poverty	<mark>15.4%</mark>	14.8
	Number of children 12-	68	43,814
	17 below 185% poverty		
	Percent of children 12-	<mark>31.3%</mark>	28.9%
	17 below 185% poverty		
Educational attainment	Age 25+ with B.D.	<mark>18.2%</mark>	31.3%
	County Rank	76	-
	Age 25+ with some	25.8%	23.0%
	college, no degree		
	County Rank	29	-
	Age 25+ with HS degree	93.0%	91.1%
	County Rank	37	-
Technology and computers in the home	% under 18 with a	100.0%	96.9%
	computer at home		
	County Rank	<mark>1</mark>	-
	% under 18 with an	96.5%	91.0%
	internet subscription at		
	home		
	County Rank	12	-
	% under 18 with	95.5%	90.8%
	broadband internet		
	access at home		





	County Rank	17	-
Housing	Owner-occupied households	1,043	498,567
	Total households	1,358	754,063
	Owner %	76.8%	66.1%
	Renters	315	255,496
	Renter %	23.2%	33.9%
Transportation	Households with no vehicle available	30	40,465
	Total households	1,358	754,063
	No vehicle %	2.2%	5.4%

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Sherman	Adult at home who listens	<mark>75.0%</mark>	<mark>80.8%</mark>	<mark>81.3%</mark>
Nebraska		<mark>87.3%</mark>	<mark>85.0%</mark>	<mark>85.6%</mark>
Sherman	Adult at school who listens	90.5%	88.5%	<mark>75.0%</mark>
Nebraska		85.2%	85.0%	<mark>87.4%</mark>

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

	Aggravated Domestic Assaults Reported	Aggravated Domestic Assaults Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means	Simple Domestic Assaults Reported	Simple Domestics Assaults Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means
Sherman	0	0	3	0
Nebraska	562	402	2512	2019

Table 18. Child Abuse and Neglect Reports ⁱ

	Abuse/Neglect Calls	Reports Assessed	Substantiated	Unfounded
Sherman	26	46%	17%	67%
Nebraska	36,480	33.4%	16.0%	68.3%

Community Level

- With regard to how youth perceive how their community feels about substance use, 8th, 10th, and 12th graders are reporting lower than state averages for alcohol and 10th graders report lower than the state average for cigarettes.
- Juvenile record sealing is not "automatic" even if statute requires it to seal. Sealing a record
 requires administrative staff to initiate the process. Dismissed or dropped cases should be
 sealed at a rate of 100%. All others should be sealed at the rate to which youth successfully
 complete their court requirements (completion of diversion, probation, restorative practice, or
 other treatment). Yearly data is available in the Appendix to see if the rate has improved
 because of legislation, but newer cases should naturally have lower rates of sealing than older
 cases.
 - Sherman County is very close to 100% in all categories.
- 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) ^j

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

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Sherman	Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana	100.0%	92.3%	93.8%
Nebraska		94.4%	89.8%	85.2%
Sherman	Wrong/very wrong – alcohol	<mark>81.3%</mark>	<mark>69.2%</mark>	<mark>56.3%</mark>
Nebraska		<mark>89.1%</mark>	<mark>80.4%</mark>	<mark>68.7%</mark>
Sherman	Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes	93.8%	<mark>80.8%</mark>	81.3%
Nebraska		92.9%	<mark>89.0%</mark>	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	24	25	<mark>96.0%</mark>
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ			
Filed in Juv. Court	44	49	89.8%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	16	16	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to	0	1	0.0%
Juv. Court			
Total	84	91	92.3%

^{*}Cases offered diversion, mediation or RJ are not available data points in in JUSTICE. Some 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.
- 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.

Table 22.

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

	Sherman	Nebraska
Access to Counsel	60.0% 79.9%	73.5%

<u>Neb. Rev. 43-272</u>. 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

	Sherman	Nebraska
Curfew Court Filing	0	352



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

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

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

Table 25. County Diversion Procedures and Protocols Compared to Statewide Responses (2020) $^{\circ}$

	Sherman	Nebraska *
Refer ALL juveniles who are first	Yes	Yes: 27.3%
time offenders to diversion		No: 63.6%
		Not sure: 9.1%
File a juvenile's charges at the	No	Yes: 18.2%
time of the referral to diversion		No: 70.5%
		Not sure: 11.4%
File a juvenile's charges if they are	<mark>Always</mark>	Always: 47.7%
unsuccessful on diversion		Sometimes: 47.7%
		Not sure: 4.5%
Allow a juvenile to complete	Yes	Yes: 61.4%
diversion more than once		No: 34.1%
		Not sure: 4.5%
Charges/offenses that make a	No; (unless it was murder or other	Yes: 86.4%
juvenile ineligible for diversion	serious charge)	No: 9.1%
		Not sure: 4.5%
Warning letters instead of	<mark>No</mark>	Yes: 27.3%
intervention		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; \$75 (but can be waived)	Yes: 86.4%
		No: 13.6%





		Not sure: 0.0%
Use of graduated responses prior	Yes; additional activities if they do	Yes: 47.7%
to discharge	not comply	No: 25.0%
		Not sure: 27.3%
Sealing diversion records	Yes; All juveniles who successfully	Yes: 59.1%
	complete get their record sealed.	No: 22.7%
	It is just noted in the file that it is	Not sure: 18.2%
	sealed.	

^{*}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 83.3%. This is a large increase from the 2019 survey.
- The rates of collective impact went up for 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.)
- If possible, you should try to have community members at all system points. Per the responses to this survey, there are a few system points not represented, but perhaps the 2 team members who did respond would have been in those areas.

Table 26.
Collective Impact Survey Response Rates ^p

	Sherman		Nebr	aska
Year of survey	2019	2020	2019	2020
Number of surveys sent	10	12	1407	780
Number of completed surveys	4	10	221	345
Response rate	40.0%	<mark>83.3%</mark>	28.3%	24.5%

Table 27. Collective Impact Survey Scores ^p

	Sherma	an	Nebra	aska				
Year of survey	2019	2020	2019	2020				
	Mean Score		Mean Score		Mean Score		Mean	Score
Common agenda	4.45	<mark>5.20</mark>	5.29	5.69				
Mutually reinforcing	4.81	<mark>5.30</mark>	5.37	5.50				
Shared measurement	4.50	<mark>5.10</mark>	5.21	5.45				
Continuous communication	3.81	<mark>5.10</mark>	5.49	5.55				
Backbone agency	4.77	5.00	5.52	5.78				

The five elements of Collective Impact are:





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

Table 28.
Community Planning Team Diversity P

	Sherman		Neb	raska
	N =	(%)	N = 345	(%)
Gender				
Male	5	50.0%	101	29.3%
Female	5	50.0%	229	66.4%
Missing			15	4.3%
Age				
Under 30			19	5.6%
30-39	1	10.0%	68	19.6%
40-49	4	40.0%	88	25.4%
50-59	4	40.0%	90	25.8%
60 and over			44	13%
Missing	1	10.0%	36	10.4%
Race/Ethnicity				
White	10	100.0%	230	66.7%
Black	<u></u>		10	2.9%
Hispanic	<u></u>		13	3.8%
Native American	<u></u>		6	1.7%
Asian			1	0.3%
Other			2	0.6%
Provided town name			63	18.3%
Missing			19	5.5%
Previous System Involvement				
Yes	3	30.0%	98	28.4%





No	7	70.0%	242	70.1%
Missing			5	1.4%
System Point *				
Law enforcement	1	8.3%	34	7.8%
County attorney/ juvenile court	1	8.3%	32	7.3%
K-12 or secondary education	4	33.3%	65	14.9%
Ministry/faith based			10	2.3%
Diversion	1	8.3%	55	12.6%
Probation			31	7.1%
Public defender/ defense counsel/	1	8.3%	8	1.8%
guardian ad litem				
DHHS or Child Welfare			13	3.0%
Treatment provider	1	8.3%	40	9.2%
Post adjudication or detention			8	1.8%
Community based program	2	16.7%	109	25.0%
Elected official or government			6	1.4%
Restorative practices	1	8.3%	6	1.4%
Backbone or system improvement			3	0.7%
Other			16	3.7%
Voice on Team				
Feel heard	9	90.%	270	78.3%
Do not feel heard	1	10.0%	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: 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	10	10	100%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ		1	
Filed in Juv. Court	22	22	100%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	2	2	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to			
Juv. Court			
Total	34	34	100%

2016	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	10	10	100%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ			
Filed in Juv. Court	15	15	100%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	3	3	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to	0	1	0.0%
Juv. Court			
Total	28	29	96.6%

2017	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped			
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ		-	
Filed in Juv. Court	6	6	100%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	5	5	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court		-	
Total	11	11	100%





2018	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	3	4	75.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ			
Filed in Juv. Court	0	3	0.0%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	3	3	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to			
Juv. Court			
Total	6	12	50.0%

2019	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	1	1	100%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ			
Filed in Juv. Court	1	1	100%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	3	3	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to			
Juv. Court			
Total	5	5	100%