# **NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

# OUTCOMES & EXPECTATIONS

Data will be reported to OSEP and will be aggregated for states to determine the effectiveness of educational programs (including transition services) in preparing students with disabilities for employment and postsecondary education after high school exit.

The ultimate purpose of Nebraska's data collection is to improve statewide services and provide feedback to school districts, which will help them improve programs and prepare students for life after school.



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# Nebraska's Post-School Outcomes Project

Measuring Outcomes for Youth with Disabilities



# **ANNUAL FACT BOOK**



**REPORTING ON THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR** 

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### **OVERVIEW**

PurposeIn 2006, the Nebraska Department of Education Office of<br/>Special Education began a new process for collecting post-<br/>school outcomes data on former students with disabilities.<br/>The data collected from this project will be used to improve<br/>transition services for students in Nebraska. The data will<br/>also be included in Nebraska's State Performance Plan<br/>(SPP) to the U.S. Department of Education Office of Special<br/>Education Programs (OSEP).

#### Framework When is data collected?

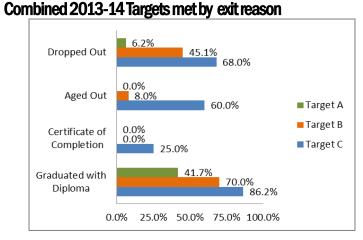
Post-school outcomes data is collected annually on all former students with disabilities on IEPs who exited high school from July 1 to June 30 of each year. Data is collected approximately one year after high school exit, with the first post-school outcomes data being collected on students who exited high school from July 1, 2005, to June 30, 2006.

#### How is data collected?

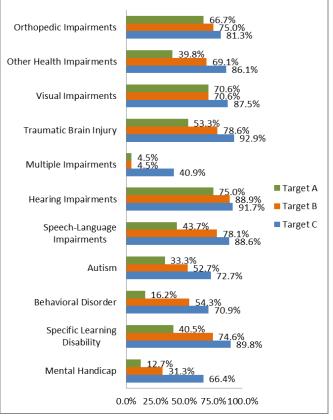
The Nebraska Department of Education has contracted with the Bureau of Sociological Research at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln to contact former students, conduct phone interviews and develop reports documenting state, Educational Service Unit (ESU) and individual school district results. Attempts are made to contact and interview *all* former students on IEPs who exited by (1) graduating with a diploma, (2) completing with a certificate, (3) reaching maximum age, or (4) dropping out.

#### What data is included in this Fact Book?

Data from the most recent survey period is included although some questions include two years worth of data to help show some possible trends.



# Combined 2013-14 Targets met by disability

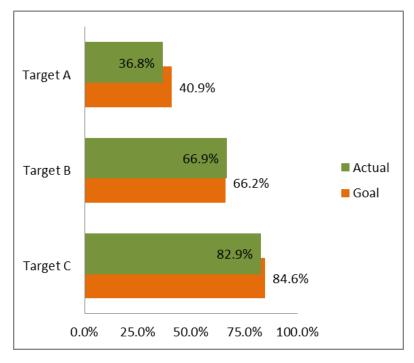


#### TARGETS

All states use the following three "targets" to report annually to OSEP. The targets are:

- Target A: Percent enrolled in higher education within 1 year of exiting high school
- Target B: Percent enrolled in higher education or competitively employed within 1 year of leaving high school
- Target C: Percent enrolled in higher education or in some<br/>other postsecondary education or training<br/>program, or competitively employed or in some<br/>other employment within 1 year of exiting high<br/>school

Nebraska students meeting targets versus target goals are:



# FACTS & FIGURES

#### ABOUT THE STUDY

Survey period

July 7, 2014 to October 15, 2014

School year surveyed

2012-13

#### ABOUT THE POPULATION

Each school district within the state was required to report the names and exit reasons of all special education students to the Office of Special Education in June of 2013. As part of this project, the schools were later asked to provide contact information for this same list of students.

Participating school districts	Approx. 225 of 245
Students in NSSRS ("population")	2,475
Students in list ("sample")	2,471

ABOUT THE INTERVIEW	
Total completed interviews	1,004
Total dialings	23,398

Average interview length

Total attempts to complete

11.45 minutes

Minimum: 1 (16.7%) Maximum: 46 Median: 4

# Participant's High School Exit Standing (From completed interviews) Received diploma

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Those students who indicated dropping out of high school were asked the following question:

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#### What is the main reason why you dropped out of high school?

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Got Behind in Classes & Had Poor Grades	21.7%
Other-Something Else	19.1%
Didn't Like School, It Wasn't Relevant	14.7%
Wasn't Getting Enough Help/Support	14.7%
Was in Trouble in School for Misbehavior	10.6%
Wanted to Work & Make Money	8.1%
Medical Problems/Physical or Mental Health	6.2%
Wasn't Getting Along With Other Students	2.7%
Childcare or Pregnancy	2.1%

Those students who indicated that they were enrolled in post-secondary education were asked the following:

In what type of post-secondary education are you currently enrolled?

	At Time of Survey
2-year college	58.8%
4-year college or university	28.3%
Vocational/Technical school	6.9%
Short-term training program	4.2%
HS completion program	1.1%
Other	0.4%
Military	0.4%
Enrolled while incarcerated	0.0%

### TRENDS

# **Trends in Postsecondary Education**

Percent of students enrolled in an education program since leaving high school:

2014 survey period (2012-13 school year)	<b>60.2</b> %
2013 survey period (2011-12 school year)	60.9%
2012 survey period (2010-11 school year)	<b>62.6%</b>
2011 survey period (2009-10 school year)	<b>60.2</b> %
2010 survey period (2008-09 school year)	61.8%



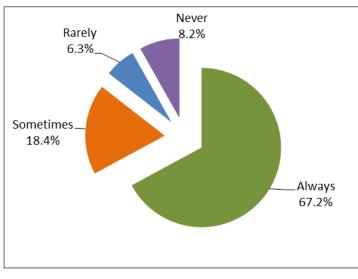
# **Trends in Work**

Percent of students who had ever worked since high school:

2014 survey period (2012-13 school year)	<b>85.0</b> %
2013 survey period (2011-12 school year)	83.9%
2012 survey period (2010-11 school year)	80.9%
2011 survey period (2009-10 school year)	<b>79.5</b> %
2010 survey period (2008-09 school year)	85.5%

# HIGH SCHOOL IEP & CURRENT LIFESTYLE

#### How often did you attend your high school IEP meetings?



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#### How often do you currently participate in social activities?

Once a Month or Less	26.1%
Two or Three Times a Month	22.2%
Four or More Times a Month	51.7%

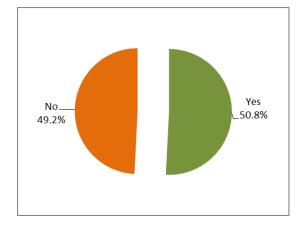


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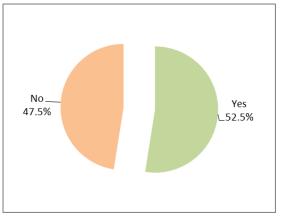
With Parents	63.7%
With Another Family Member	8.3%
With Spouse or Roommate	18.5%
Alone	6.1%
In Military Housing/Barracks	0.6%
In Institutional Residence	0.6%
In Supervised Living	1.3%
With Someone or Somewhere Else (Other)	0.9%

### **EDUCATION FACTS**

#### **2014 Survey** Any education since high school



#### 2013 Survey Any education since high school

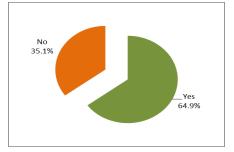


In terms of assistance students may have received since leaving high school, those with post-secondary education were asked the following: Have you received tutoring, extended time on tests, note-takers, or other assistance with schoolwork since leaving high school? 38.8% Yes 61.2% No

### **EMPLOYMENT FACTS**

#### 64.9% of participants reported being

# **Currently Employed (at the time of the survey)**



# 58.0% of those not currently employed reported being Employed at Some Time Since Exiting High School

### While 14.7% reported being Never Employed Since Exiting High School

# Overall, 85.3% of students had been Employed Since Exiting High School

# Asked of students who indicated never being employed since high school:

What is the main reason you have never had a job?

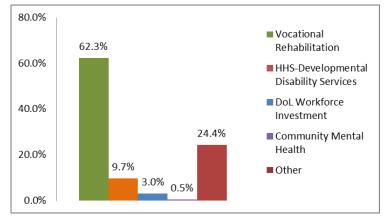
Do Not Have Skills/Ability to Work	23.7%
Medical Issues/Mental, Physical, Accident	17.1%
In School, Training, or Education Program	16.4%
Looking/Cannot Find/Between Jobs	12.0%
Not Looking/Not Interested in Working	9.6%
Other-Specify	7.9%
Don't Know	5.4%
Childcare or Pregnancy	4.3%
Will Be Going to College/Joining Military	2.5%
Incarcerated/In Jail	1.1%

# AGENCIES & ASSISTANCE

#### Currently receiving services from an adult agency:

Yes	17.6%
No	82.4%

#### From which agency or agencies have you received services?



#### Why haven't you received services from an adult agency?

Never Referred to Any Agency	24.9%
Referred, Did Not Apply	6.3%
Applied, Not Eligible	1.7%
Applied, On Waiting List	0.9%
Services Not Needed or Not Requested	57.0%
Don't Know	9.3%