

Vermont State Team for Families, Children and Individuals

Outcomes and Indicators we use to measure achievement (updated 2008)

Outcome 1: FAMILIES, YOUTH, AND INDIVIDUALS ARE ENGAGED IN THEIR COMMUNITY'S DECISIONS AND ACTIVITIES

Indicators:

- Percent of youth who report parent involvement in schooling
- Percent of youth who report they help decide what goes on in their school
- Percent of eligible population voting in general elections

Outcome 2: PREGNANT WOMEN AND YOUNG CHILDREN THRIVE

Indicators:

- Percent early prenatal care
- Percent low birthweight
- Percent of births where families receive new baby visits
- Infant mortality rate
- Percent children (ages 0-4) in families receiving welfare
- Rate of injuries (ages 0-9) resulting in hospitalization
- Percent of WIC-enrolled children who are overweight or at risk
- Child mortality rate

Outcome 3: CHILDREN ARE READY FOR SCHOOL

Indicators:

- Percent of kindergarteners fully immunized
- Percent of first-graders screened for vision and hearing problems
- Percent of children ready for kindergarten
- Percent of standards met for "ready schools"

Outcome 4: CHILDREN SUCCEED IN SCHOOL

Indicators:

- School attendance rate
- Percent of 2nd graders meeting reading standard
- NECAP reading/writing scores
- NECAP math scores
- Percent of students with special education IEPs
- Scholastic Assessment Test scores
- Estimated percent high school completion

Outcome 5: CHILDREN LIVE IN STABLE, SUPPORTED FAMILIES

Indicators:

- Percent children in poverty: 1999

Percent children in families receiving Food Stamps (proxy for children in poverty)

Percent child support paid

Percent parentage established for out-of-wedlock child support

Rate of child abuse and neglect

Percent of youth who report high levels of love and support from family

Percent of youth whose parents set clear rules and consequences

Percent of children (ages 5-17 years) in families receiving welfare

Rate of out-of-home placements (ages < 18 yrs.)

Average number of moves within the child substitute care system

Outcome 6: YOUTH CHOOSE HEALTHY BEHAVIORS

Indicators:

Percent of students participating in youth programs

Percent of students volunteering in their community

Percent of students smoking cigarettes within the last 30 days

Percent of students using alcohol within the last 30 days

Percent of students using marijuana within the last 30 days

Rate of teen sexually-transmitted diseases

Young teen pregnancy rate (ages 15-17)

Rate of injuries (ages 10-17) resulting in hospitalization

Rate of custody for children deemed "unmanageable"

Rate of court dispositions for delinquency

Rate of delinquents in custody

Rate of teen violent deaths

Outcome 7: YOUTH SUCCESSFULLY TRANSITION TO ADULTHOOD

Indicators:

Percent of high school seniors with plans for education, vocational training, or employment

Percent of graduating high school seniors who continue their education within six months

Percent New Families at Risk

Rate of out-of-home placements (ages 18-24)

Rate of injuries (ages 18-24) resulting in hospitalization

Rate of teen non-violent deaths

Outcome 8: ADULTS LEAD HEALTHY AND PRODUCTIVE LIVES

Indicators:

Rate of injuries (ages 25-64) resulting in hospitalization

Percent of adults who smoke cigarettes

Percent of adults who are "binge drinkers"

Rate of suicide (ages 18+)

Percent people above poverty level, 1999

Average median family income, 1999

Average annual wage

Rate of job creation
Rate of Employment
Percent of adults (ages 18+) receiving welfare

Outcome 9: ELDERS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES LIVE WITH DIGNITY AND INDEPENDENCE IN SETTINGS THEY PREFER

Indicators:

Percent of population aged 65+ in poverty, 1999
Rate of injuries (ages 65+) resulting in hospitalization
Percent of population aged 65+ at risk for depression
Rate of adult abuse and neglect victims
Percent successful job placements among consumers of Vocational Rehabilitation services
Balance of institutional and home & community-based options for long-term care

Outcome 10: COMMUNITIES PROVIDE SAFETY AND SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS

Indicators:

Percent of youth who feel valued by their community
Percent of youth who have an adult who provides help and advice
Rate of out-of-home placements (ages 25+)
Rate of petitions filed for Relief From Domestic Abuse
Rate of violent crime
Rate of sexual assault
Percent living in affordable housing
Percent met need for child care