

2010 Utah Statewide Summary Report of the Post High School Outcomes Survey of 2008-2009 Exiters with Disabilities

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Utah Statewide Post High School Outcomes Survey of Exiters with Disabilities is summarized below. This summary report focuses on youth with disabilities who exited high school with a diploma, certificate of attendance, reached maximum age of eligibility, or dropped-out of school during the 2008-2009 school year and are now out of high school one year. The results of the survey are organized around three areas of interest. The outcomes for youth with disabilities for each area are summarized below.

POST SECONDARY EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Includes any type of formal education or training program after high school

46% of respondents are or have completed at least one term in a higher education or other postsecondary education or training program within the year since leaving high school.

Respondents completed at least one term at the following types of postsecondary education or training:

- 10% 2-year College or Community College
- 14% 4-year College or University.
- 5% 2-year Technical College.

- 4% Vocational/Technical school
- 3% Job training or Short-term education or employment training program.
- 3% High school completion program, including a GED program.
- 8% Church Mission or other Humanitarian Program
- 5% Any other type of formal education or program since leaving high school

EMPLOYMENT

Assesses competitive and other employment, job setting, wages and benefits

40% of respondents are or have been competitively employed leaving high school. (This means they are working for pay at or above minimum wage in a setting with others who are nondisabled for a period of 20 hours per week for at least 90 days).

- 59% of respondents have been employed for 90 days
- 8% of respondents have worked within the year since leaving high school, but for less than 90 days
- 32% of respondents have not been employed since leaving high school

Of the 67% of respondents who are currently employed or have been employed since high school:

- 84% work for a company or service in the community
- 2% are in the military
- 1% work in a supported employment setting
- 10% are self-employed or working in a family business
- 2% work in a sheltered employment or institutional setting

- 73% work 20 or more hours per week
- 22% work less than 20 hours per week

- 5% earn less than minimum wage
- 33% earn minimum wage
- 54% earn more than minimum wage
- 18% of employed respondents receive benefits at their place of employment

INDEPENDENT LIVING

Assesses residential arrangements and general community participation

- 74% of respondents continue to live at home with their parents.
- 21% of respondents live independently.

Indicator 14

- 29%** HIGHER EDUCATION - Respondents who have been enrolled on a full- or part-time basis in a community or technical college (2-year program), or a college or university (4-year program) for at least one complete term, at any time in the year since leaving high school.
- 27%** COMPETITIVELY EMPLOYED - Respondents who have worked for pay at or above minimum wage in a setting with others who are nondisabled for a period of 20 hours per week for at least 90 days (including military employment) and have not completed at least one term in a higher education program at any time in the year since leaving high school.
- 8%** OTHER POSTSECONDARY - Respondents who have been enrolled on a full- or part-time basis for at least one complete term, at any time in the year in an education or training program and have not completed at least one term in a higher education program or been competitively employed at any time in the year since leaving high school.
- 11%** OTHER EMPLOYMENT - Respondents who have worked for pay or been self-employed for a period of at least 90 days and have not completed at least one term in a higher education or other postsecondary program, or been competitively employed, at any time in the year since leaving high school. This includes working in a family business.
- 25%** NOT ENGAGED - Respondents who have: (a) not completed at least one term in higher education program or other postsecondary education or training; (b) never been competitively or otherwise employed; (c) have been underemployed; (d) have missing data elements.

- 29%** comprise MEASURE A which includes higher education respondents.
- 56%** comprise MEASURE B which includes higher education and competitively employed respondents.
- 75%** comprise MEASURE C which includes higher education, competitively employed, other postsecondary education, and other employed respondents.