

Performance Measure Results

State Standard Measures Program 2012



In 2010, the state Legislature created the Council on Local Results and Innovation to develop standard performance measures for cities and counties. In February 2011, the Council released a standard set of performance measures to aid residents, taxpayers, and elected officials in determining the efficacy of counties in providing services and measures residents' opinions of those services. In 2011, Dakota County voluntarily agreed to participate in the program. To meet 2012 program requirements, the following results are reported for the ten measures using the most recent data available as baseline.

Public Safety

Part I and II Crime

Part I crimes include murder, rape, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft, and arson. Part II crimes include other assaults, forgery/counterfeiting, embezzlement, stolen property, vandalism, weapons, prostitution, other sex offenses, narcotics, gambling, family/children crime, D.U.I., liquor laws, disorderly conduct, and other offenses. The figures are rates per 1,000 residents.

2010 Part I: 23.7

2010 Part II: 33.8

Probation/Corrections

Percent of adult offenders with a new felony conviction within three years of discharge

The percent of felony offenders, who are re-arrested, re-convicted or incarcerated for a new felony offense within 3 years of discharge from probation or supervised release.

2011 – 27%

Public Works

Number of structurally-deficient bridges

The County currently has 83 bridges under its jurisdiction. Bridges are rated according to a sufficiency formula based on several factors, and the number of bridges that rate 80 or below is reported annually.

2011 – 0

Average county pavement condition rating

The Minnesota Department of Transportation rates Dakota County roads every two years on a scale from 0 (poor) to 100 (excellent) based on the types of pavement distresses and the rideability of the surface. The next rating will be at year-end 2012.

2010 – 73

Library

Annual visits per 1,000 residents

2011 – 5,489

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Social Services

Workforce participation rate among MFIP and DWP recipients

The Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) workforce participation rate is the percent of MFIP recipients in countable employment related activities, which include workshops, job club, and job fairs.

2011 MFIP Average – 52.6%

The Diversionary Work Program (DWP) measures how many participants are still receiving cash assistance through MFIP in the 5th and 12th months following their DWP eligibility.

January – July 2011 Average DWP 5th Month Outcome – 82% of clients were no longer receiving cash assistance five months post-eligibility. 2010 Average DWP 12th Month Outcome – 74.3% of clients were no longer receiving cash assistance 12 months post-eligibility.

Percentage of children where there is a recurrence of maltreatment within 12 months following an intervention

This measure is calculated on a rolling 12 month period immediately preceding the month shown. (Example: the January 2012 reporting period is January 2011 through December 2011.) This measure looks at all maltreatment (abuse or neglect) findings in the reporting period and then counts the number of cases that had a subsequent maltreatment finding within 12 months of the first.

2011 Average – 0.24%

Taxation

Level of assessment ratio (median between 90% and 105% is acceptable)

Minnesota Department of Revenue (DoR) guidelines require median assessment ratios to fall between 90% and 105% annually or be subject to adjustment by the State Board of Equalization. Assessment ratios are calculated by dividing home sales prices into their assessed market values.

2010 – 97%

Elections

Accuracy of post-election audit

The percentage of ballots counted correctly in the last election.

2010 – 100%

Parks

Citizens' rating of the quality of county parks, recreational programs, and/or facilities

In a statistically valid mail survey, residents rated the quality of County parks and recreation from poor to excellent. The results were converted to a 100 point scale, where zero represents poor quality and 100 represents excellent quality.

2011 – 80