

Family Outcomes Data Quality Task Force: Results from Survey of Part C Programs on Indicator 4 Survey Approaches

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Family Outcomes Data Quality Task Force Membership

Infant-Toddlers Coordinators Association

- Director
- State co-leads (NY & CT)
- Twelve states represented

National Technical Assistance

- Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center (ECTA)
- Center for IDEA Data Systems (DaSy)

Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP)

Family Outcomes Data Quality Task Force

Purpose

Define the challenges of the current family outcomes data tool, collection methodology etc.

Identify what outcomes should be achieved for families as a result of participation in the Part C Early Intervention Program.

Identify the most appropriate methodology to evaluate these outcomes (e.g., pre/post-assessments like COS, one-time survey at exit).

Develop tools to reliably measure these outcomes with validity – involve stakeholders including state program staff, PTI/family organizations, TA centers, OSEP, and experts in survey/assessment design, implementation, and analysis.

Gain consensus across states to implement a uniform assessment of family outcomes to ensure comparability.

ITCA Survey of State Approaches

Purpose of the Survey

- Document the current approaches used
- Address missing data at the national level about approaches used
- Increase awareness of issues related to comparing performance across states for states and federal partners for purposes of accountability.

Respondents

Forty-four (44) states responded out of 56 (79%)

Respondents' Role

- Part C Coordinator- 32
- Part C Data Manager- 4
- Other roles- 8

Surveys Used: Indicator 4 of the APR

Survey	Number of states
ECO Family Outcomes Survey (FOS) Revised 2010	18
NCSEAM Impact on Family Scale (IFS)	13
State-developed survey	7
ECO Family Outcomes Survey (FOS) Original 2006	3
Other	3
Total	44

Distribution & Return Methods

Distribution Methods (multiple selections allowed)

- Mailed: 33
- Hand-delivered: 27
- Online/ email: 21
- Phone interview: 5

Return Methods (multiple selections allowed)

- Mailed: 40
- Online/ email: 28
- Hand-delivered: 25
- Phone interview: 11

Families Surveyed

Length of time in services

- Families with a minimum time in services- 27 states
 - Six months- 16 states
 - Three months- 3 states
 - Twelve months- 2 states
 - Nine months- 1 state
- No minimum time in services- - 17 states

Timing of survey administration

- At child's exit- 14 states
- Families of currently enrolled children- 28

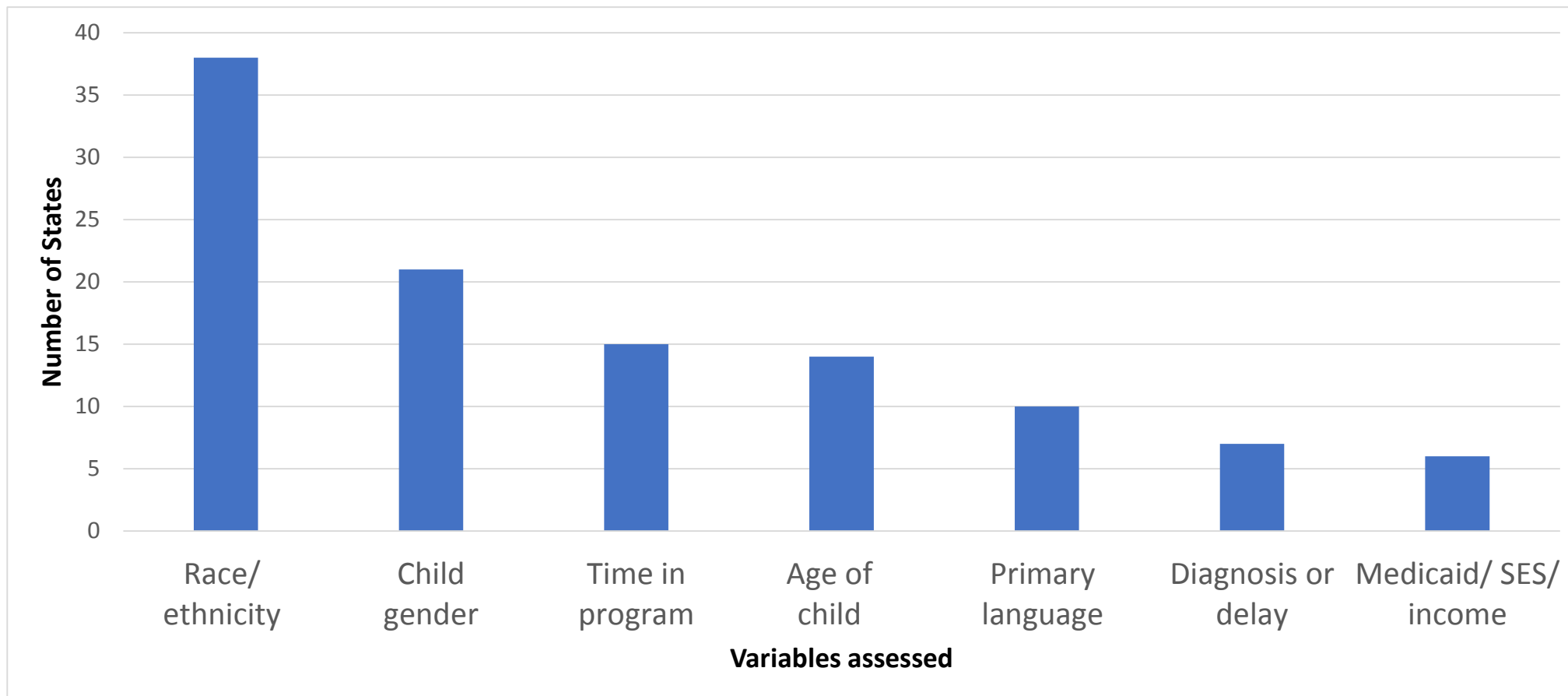
State Survey Response Rates Reported

Thirty-six (36) states reported a response rate

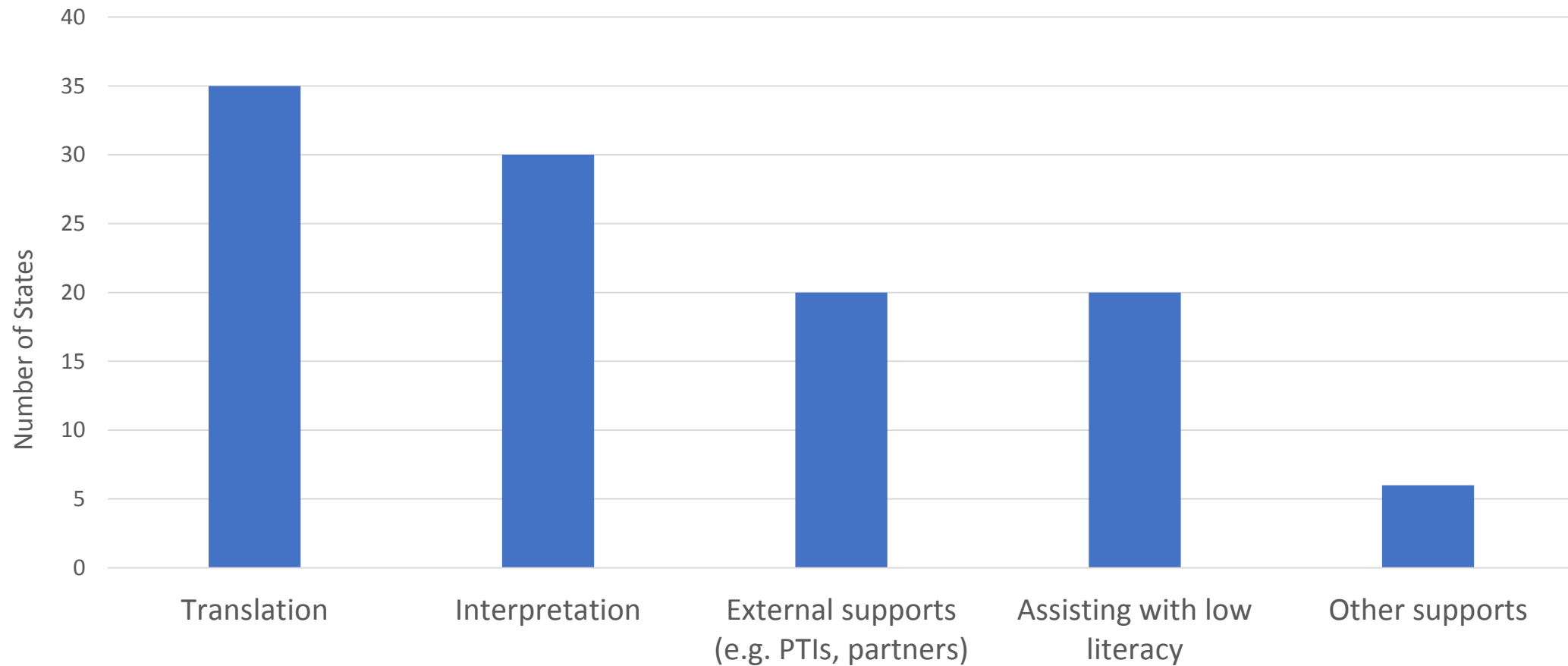
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Mean: 32.6 %

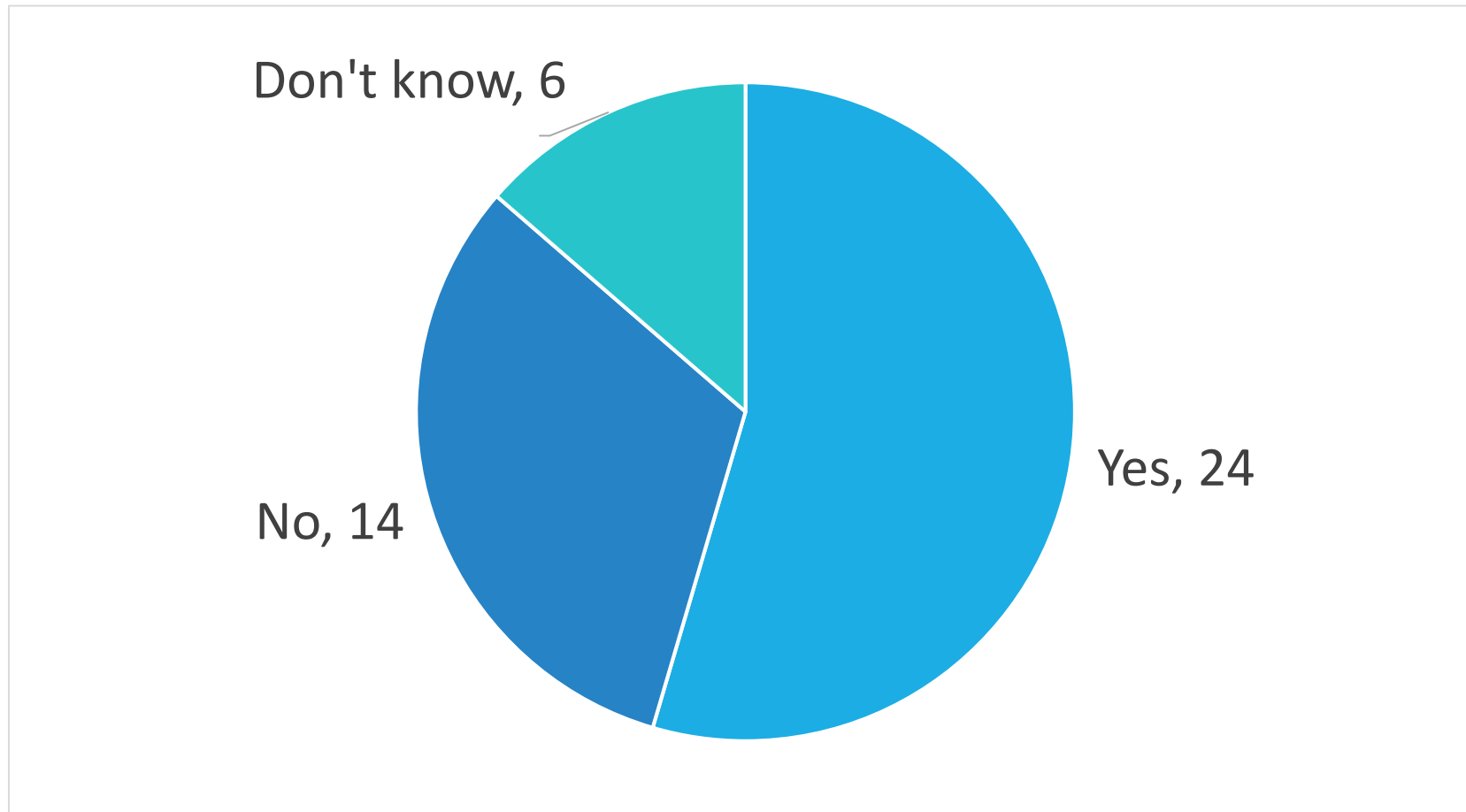
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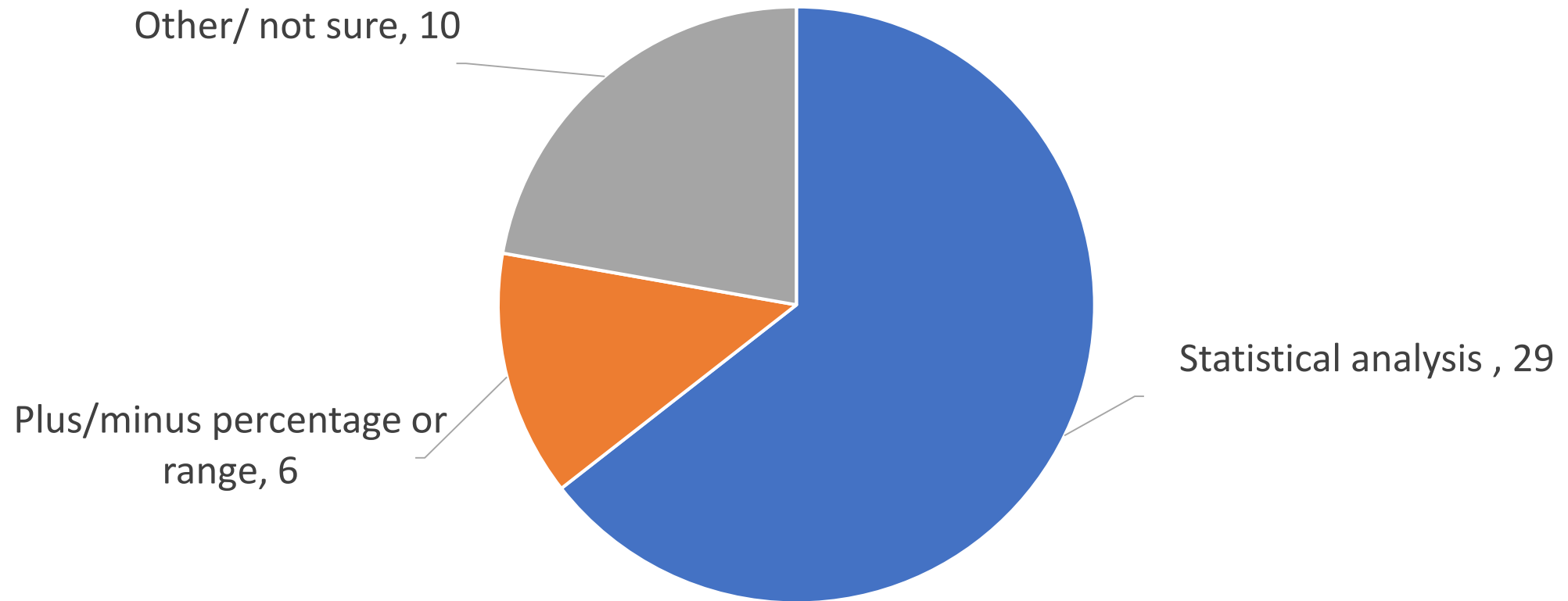
Supporting Families in Completing Surveys



Ability to Link Family Survey with Program Data



Determining Representativeness



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