

Partnerships in Employment Survey
Selected Results

Two similarly worded surveys were used to help understand the dreams and goals of youth with intellectual and developmental disabilities (based on surveys from a published research study); one for Alaskan youth (16-26) who experience intellectual and developmental disabilities and a similar survey for their parents.

Number of respondents

	Answered some questions after providing demographic info	Completed
Youth	23	20
Parents	66	55

Gender

	Female	Male
Youth respondent	13 (56.5%)	10 (43.5%)
Parent respondent	51 (77.3%)	15 (22.7%)
Focus youth (parent survey)	24 (36.4%)	42 (63.6%)

Age of youth respondents

- Mean = 20.2
- Median = 19.0

	Frequency	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
17	2	8.7	8.7
19	10	43.5	52.2
20	2	8.7	60.9
21	3	13.0	73.9
22	3	13.0	87.0
23	2	8.7	95.7
25	1	4.3	100.0
Total	23	100.0	

Age of youth focus persons (parent survey)

- Mean = 20.1
- Median = 20.0

	Frequency	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
16	8	12.1	12.1
17	7	10.6	22.7
18	6	9.1	31.8
19	8	12.1	43.9
20	8	12.1	56.1
Valid 21	5	7.6	63.6
22	8	12.1	75.8
23	9	13.6	89.4
24	5	7.6	97.0
25	2	3.0	100.0
Total	66	100.0	

Importance during next five years:

Youth survey

	Not important	Sort of important	Quite important	Very important	Rating Average	Rating Count
Have a good paying job.	4.3% (1)	13.0% (3)	34.8% (8)	47.8% (11)	2.26	23
Have a job in a career that I like.	0.0% (0)	13.0% (3)	4.3% (1)	82.6% (19)	2.70	23
Live on my own or with friends (not with my family).	21.7% (5)	21.7% (5)	17.4% (4)	39.1% (9)	1.74	23
Live in the same house or apartment as my family.	21.7% (5)	26.1% (6)	34.8% (8)	17.4% (4)	1.48	23
Live nearby my family (but not in the same house or apartment).	30.4% (7)	26.1% (6)	17.4% (4)	26.1% (6)	1.39	23
Have good friends.	0.0% (0)	4.3% (1)	17.4% (4)	78.3% (18)	2.74	23
Get married or have an intimate, committed relationship.	39.1% (9)	13.0% (3)	13.0% (3)	34.8% (8)	1.43	23
Have children.	34.8% (8)	34.8% (8)	13.0% (3)	17.4% (4)	1.13	23
Take care of my parents, sisters, brothers or other family members.	17.4% (4)	13.0% (3)	21.7% (5)	47.8% (11)	2.00	23
Have reliable transportation.	4.3% (1)	0.0% (0)	39.1% (9)	56.5% (13)	2.48	23
Go to college.	21.7% (5)	30.4% (7)	17.4% (4)	30.4% (7)	1.57	23
Go to college close to my family home.	21.7% (5)	30.4% (7)	21.7% (5)	26.1% (6)	1.52	23
Participate in spiritual activities, such as prayer or attending church.	21.7% (5)	30.4% (7)	30.4% (7)	17.4% (4)	1.43	23
Look good (attractive to others).	4.3% (1)	21.7% (5)	26.1% (6)	47.8% (11)	2.17	23
Have health insurance.	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	26.1% (6)	73.9% (17)	2.74	23
Have a good doctor.	0.0% (0)	4.3% (1)	30.4% (7)	65.2% (15)	2.61	23

Parent survey

	Not important	Sort of important	Quite important	Very important	Rating Average	Rating Count
Have a good paying job.	6.1% (4)	15.2% (10)	28.8% (19)	50.0% (33)	2.23	66
Have a job in a career that he/she likes.	0.0% (0)	3.0% (2)	22.7% (15)	74.2% (49)	2.71	66
Live on his/her own or with friends (not with his/her family).	4.5% (3)	24.2% (16)	30.3% (20)	40.9% (27)	2.08	66
Live in the same house or apartment as his/her family.	48.5% (32)	33.3% (22)	15.2% (10)	3.0% (2)	0.73	66
Live nearby his/her family (but not in the same house or apartment).	3.0% (2)	36.4% (24)	39.4% (26)	21.2% (14)	1.79	66
Have good friends.	1.5% (1)	9.1% (6)	24.2% (16)	65.2% (43)	2.53	66
Get married or have an intimate, committed relationship.	34.8% (23)	30.3% (20)	15.2% (10)	19.7% (13)	1.20	66
Have children.	74.2% (49)	16.7% (11)	4.5% (3)	4.5% (3)	0.39	66
Take care of his/her parents, sisters, brothers or other family members.	77.3% (51)	18.2% (12)	1.5% (1)	3.0% (2)	0.30	66
Have reliable transportation.	4.5% (3)	7.6% (5)	39.4% (26)	48.5% (32)	2.32	66
Go to college.	28.8% (19)	19.7% (13)	22.7% (15)	28.8% (19)	1.52	66
Go to college close to his/her family home.	30.3% (20)	22.7% (15)	22.7% (15)	24.2% (16)	1.41	66
Participate in spiritual activities, such as prayer or attending church.	28.8% (19)	22.7% (15)	22.7% (15)	25.8% (17)	1.45	66
Look good (attractive to others).	9.1% (6)	42.4% (28)	27.3% (18)	21.2% (14)	1.61	66
Have health insurance.	1.5% (1)	4.5% (3)	16.7% (11)	77.3% (51)	2.70	66
Have a good doctor.	0.0% (0)	7.6% (5)	19.7% (13)	72.7% (48)	2.65	66

Importance of completing high school or a transition program during next five years:

Youth survey

Not important	Sort of important	Quite important	Very important	Not applicable; already completed high school or a transition programs	Rating Average	Rating Count
4.3% (1)	4.3% (1)	17.4% (4)	47.8% (11)	26.1% (6)	2.47	23

Parent survey

Not important	Sort of important	Quite important	Very important	Not applicable; already completed high school or a transition programs	Rating Average	Rating Count
3.0% (2)	1.5% (1)	3.0% (2)	51.5% (34)	40.9% (27)	2.74	66

Importance ratings with statistically significant differences:

	Mean for youth survey	Mean for parent survey
Live in the same house or apartment as family	1.48	0.73
Have children	1.13	0.39
Take care of parents, sisters, brothers or other family members	2.00	0.30
Look good (attractive to others)	2.17	1.61

- 0 = Not important
- 1 = Sort of important
- 2 = Quite important
- 3 = Very important