

## **ANALYSIS OF 2008-2009 STATE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORTS FOR INDICATOR 13**

Prior to February, 2009, Indicator 13 required states to report data on “*The percent of youth aged 16 and above with an IEP that includes coordinated, measurable, annual IEP goals and transition services that will reasonably enable the child to meet the post-secondary goals.*”

Currently, Indicator 13 requires states to report data on “*Percent of youth with IEPs aged 16 and above with an IEP that includes appropriate measurable postsecondary goals that are annually updated and based upon an age appropriate transition assessment, transition services, including courses of study, that will reasonably enable the student to meet those postsecondary goals, and annual IEP goals related to the student’s transition services needs. There also must be evidence that the student was invited to the IEP Team meeting where transition services are to be discussed and evidence that, if appropriate, a representative of any participating agency was invited to the IEP Team meeting with the prior consent of the parent or student who has reached the age of majority.*”(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B))

Because of the new Indicator language, states were given the option to report Indicator 13 data. However, if reported, states had to declare which Indicator language they were using. As a result, only two states reported Indicator 13 data and both used the original Indicator 13 language.

In addition, all states had to “Provide detailed information about the timely correction of noncompliance as noted in OSEP’s response table for the previous APR. If the State did not ensure timely correction of the previous noncompliance, provide information on the extent to which noncompliance was subsequently corrected (more than one year after identification). In addition, provide information regarding the nature of any continuing noncompliance, improvement activities completed (e.g., review of policies and procedures, technical assistance, training, etc.) and any enforcement actions that were taken.” [Part B State Performance Plan (SPP) and Annual Performance Report (APR) Part B Indicator Measurement Table, Part B SPP/APR Indicator/Measurement Table, OMB NO: 1820-0624 / Expiration Date: 2/29/2012].

Finally, in the FFY 2009 submission, due February 1, 2011, states must establish a new baseline for this indicator using the 2009-2010 data.

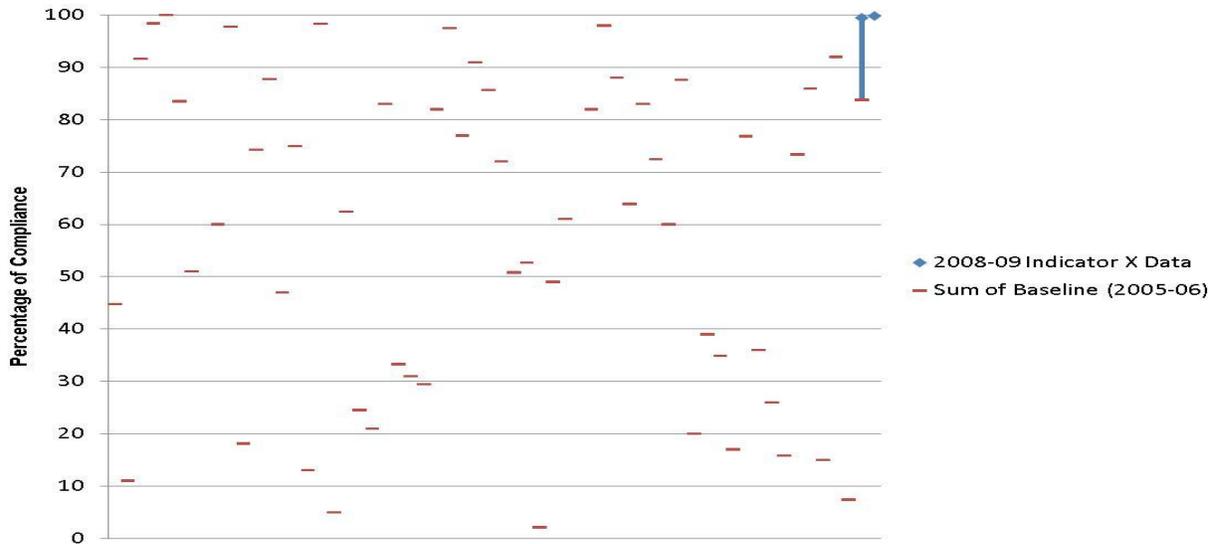
The sections below summarize the 2008-2009 APR data for the two states that chose to report Indicator 13 data.

### **1. Change from Baseline**

For 2008-2009, only two states reported data for Indicator 13. Figure 1 presents data indicating changes from baseline to current indicator level. One state has increased 15.7% from baseline and the other did not report a baseline score so percent change

could not be determined. While both states used the “old” Indicator 13 language, neither reported the criteria used to collect and calculate their data.

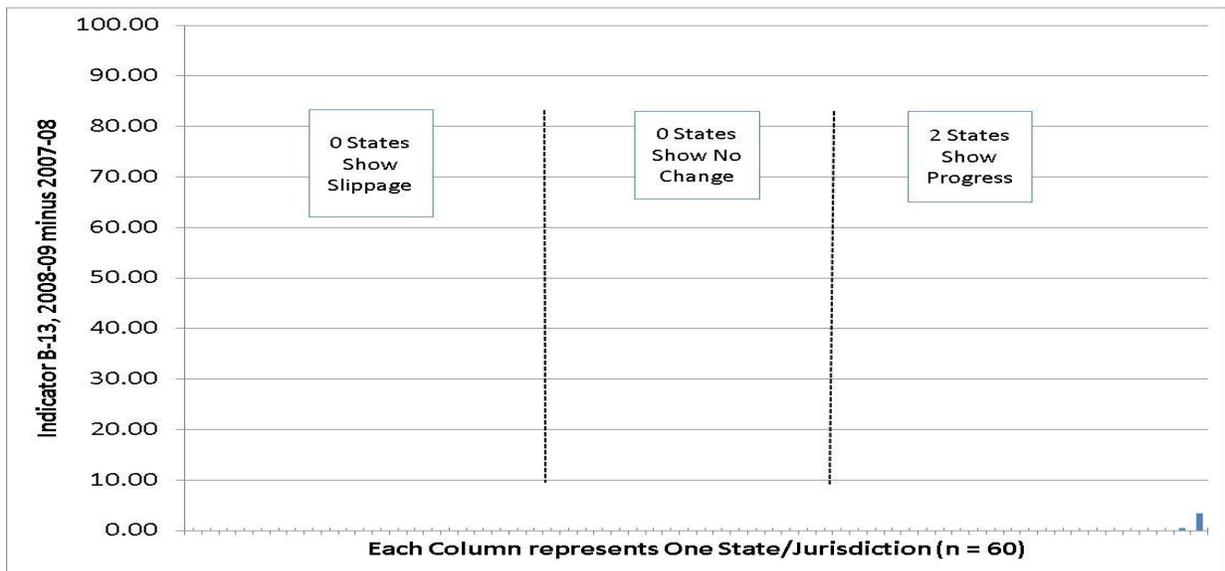
**Figure 1. Change from Baseline to Current Indicator Level for Each State**



**2. Progress and Slippage**

While Figure 2 indicates both states made progress, neither provided an explanation for why their progress occurred. In the prior year (2007-2008), 70% (n=42) of states made progress. States must establish a new baseline for this indicator using their 2009-2010 data.

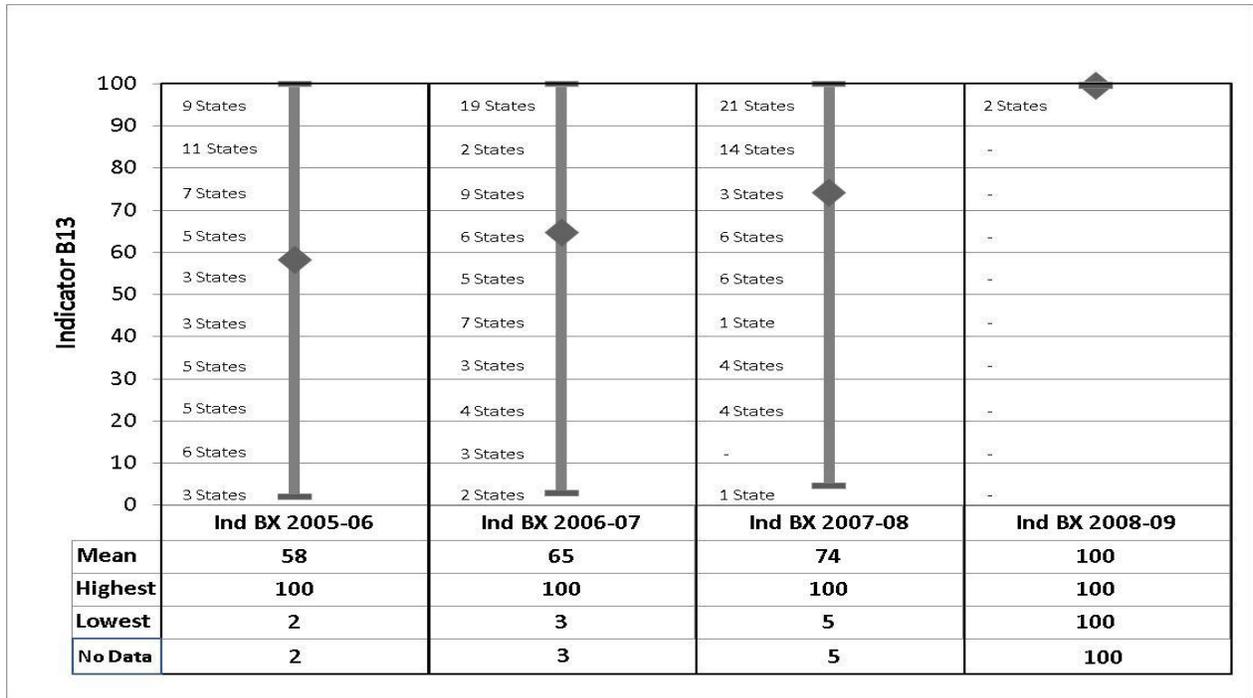
**Figure 2. Progress/Slippage from 2007-2008 to 2008-2009**



### 3. Trend Data

Figure 3 indicates the four year trend data for Indicator 13. The overall trend shows increasing means with more states achieving the 75% to 94% or 95% to 100% ranges.

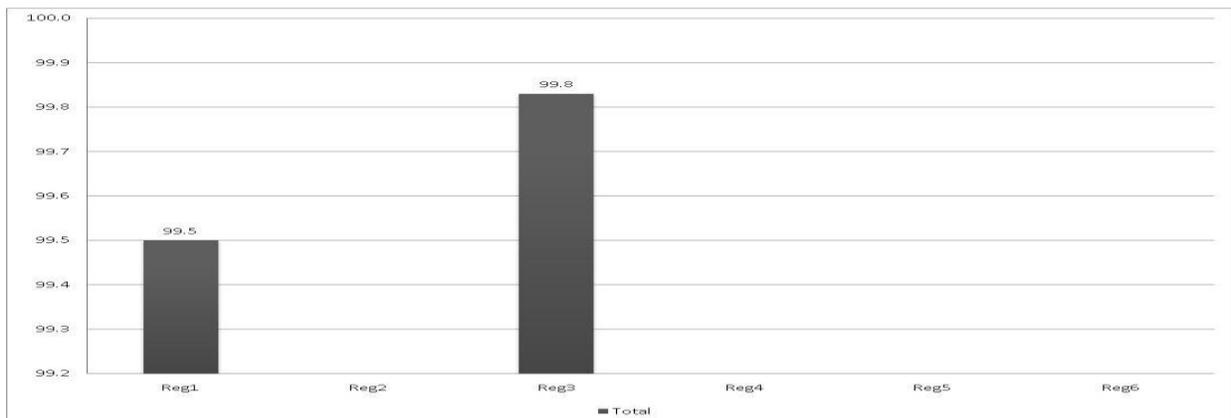
**Figure 3. Four Year Trend Data for Indicator 13**



### 4. Cross-region Comparison Data

Figure 4 indicates the cross-region comparison data for Indicator 13. Both regions 1 and 3 scored above 95%.

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## 5. Improvement Activities

For 2008-2009, states were asked to provide information on Improvement Activities completed as part of their timely correction of non-compliance for Indicator 13. Improvement Activities were described by 41.7% (n=25) of the states. Of the 25 states that provide information on Improvement Activities, only 12% (n=3) provided data on the impact of their Improvement Activities. In all three cases, only the number of participants who attended a specific training or workshop was reported.

## 6. Recommendations for Collecting Future I-13 Data

- In order to ensure data are *valid*, require states to provide an item x item summary of their checklist.
- In order to ensure data are *reliable* (accurate), require APRs to describe the process used to collect reliable data. This does not mean just verifying that all data were collected, it means checking to determine if data entered are accurate (were agreed upon by a second person).
- Require states and territories to provide impact data on their Improvement Activities. To assist with this process, provide a list of possible methods that can be used to determine the impact of Improvement Activities.
- For ease of reporting and reading, require states to list Improvement Activities in tabular format. When reporting Improvement Activities across indicators (e.g., 1, 2, 13, & 14), make one table and attach it to each individual report.