# AMBIENT POSITIONAL INSTABILITY AMONG OHIO MATH AND SCIENCE TEACHERS: 2008 TO 2014 

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#### Abstract

This briefing is on teacher retention and Ambient Positional Instability (API) rates from 2008-09 to 2013-14 for math and science teachers in the state of Ohio. API is investigated in two ways; first, the retention of all math and science teachers teaching in the 2008-09 school year are followed over five years and, second, year-to-year retention is tracked over the same time period. Data analyses are presented with key findings identified. Findings include: only one in two teachers, on average, will be teaching the same subject(s) at the same school after five years; teachers in non-charter public high schools in the five largest cities in Ohio have roughly $50 \%$ higher API than those teaching in non-charter high schools outside those cities; and charter schools have the highest level of API of any of the populations of high school teachers investigated. Implications for schools and research projects targeting high schools in Ohio are discussed.


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## Introduction

This briefing is on teacher retention and Ambient Positional Instability (API) rates from 2008-2009 to 2013-2014 for math and science teachers in the state of Ohio. The work is part of a project on API sponsored by the National Science Foundation and undertaken by 21PSTEM and the University of Pennsylvania. Ambient Positional Instability, as a metric, goes beyond typical measures of teacher attrition to include both those teachers who leave a school and those who remain but do not retain the same position. This second group is often ignored in policy discussions. We argue that it should not. Given our experience in educational research, in particular our experience conducting a randomized cluster trial targeting middle school science teachers ${ }^{\mathrm{i}}$, we have found that changes in teacher position can have a catastrophic impact on a multi-year study. Positional instability also has the potential to undermine school district initiatives where specific grades or subjects are targeted and then trained teachers are later shifted. There are many other possible effects of API, not all of which are negative. A manuscript further discussing these issues is in development ${ }^{\mathrm{ii}}$. For this brief, it suffices to say that API is worth investigating.

The following material outlines our analyses and provides information about the data resources and on their integration and editing. The statistical data in the charts here is foundational. A section summarizing salient findings in words is presented followed by a brief conclusion.

## Data Resources, Integration, and Editing

The data was accessed at the following public website: http://reportcard.education.ohio.gov/Pages/ Power-User-Reports.aspx. Six data files were downloaded containing all math and science teachers from the state of Ohio, one for each of the six school years from 2008-2009 to 2013-2014. The data files include five relevant fields: Unique Teacher ID (identification), District ID, School ID, School Type (elementary, middle, junior high, or high), and Course Subject Area (mathematics or science). The specificity of the publicly available Ohio data is restricted to whether a teacher teaches math or science and does not get at specific course assignment. More detailed data has been requested.

Each record in the data files represents a teacher ID associated with a single school and a single course subject area. Therefore, a teacher ID can exist more than once in a file for teachers with multiple assignments. For example, a teacher ID exists multiple times in a file if he or she teaches both mathematics and science in a given year. A teacher ID also exists multiple times if he or she teaches at multiple schools. In addition, some teachers in the files are not attached to any schools (e.g., math and science teachers attached to regional Education Service Centers that support local school districts).

In any big data project such as this, the accessible data must be edited so as to ensure understanding and coherence in its interpretation. The publicly accessible records from Ohio were edited as follows. All teachers who were not assigned to a school and all teachers who were assigned to more than one school were removed from the file. This left only teachers who taught at a single school in each of the data files. The data was then restructured so that multiple teacher records for any given ID (i.e., for those who taught both math and science) were merged into a single record. A new Subject Area field was created in the merged record with the following categories: science teacher, math teacher, and math and science teacher. The data files from the six school years were then merged and analyzed.

## Analyses

Five different populations were investigated within the data. Descriptive statistics are presented for: (1) K-12 math and science teachers in the state ${ }^{\mathrm{iiii}}$; (2) math and science teachers at non-charter public high school schools; (3) math and science teachers at charter/community ${ }^{\text {iv }}$ high schools; (4) math and science teachers at non-charter public high school schools in the five largest cities in Ohio; and (5) math and science teachers at non-charter public high schools outside of the five largest cities. The five largest cities are Columbus, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Toledo, and Akron.

Two types of analyses were conducted with each population: a cohort retention approach and a year-toyear retention approach. The cohort approach investigated the retention of the population of math and science teachers from the 2008-2009 school year through the 2013-2014 school year. The year-to-year approach investigated retention of all teachers from one year to the next. For instance, retention of all 2010-2011 math and science teachers into the 2011-2012 school year is reported.

Within each of these populations and analyses, retention was identified by different levels, from the least restrictive to the most. The restrictiveness of the level of retention relates to the specificity of a teaching position within the state. The most general classification of a teaching position is someone who teaches in the state. The position gets more specific as the district, then school, and finally subject(s) taught are associated with it. Along these lines, the least restrictive levels of retention include those teachers who are still a math or science teacher in the state (In State), those teachers who are still a math or science teacher in the same district (In Same District), and those teachers who are still a math or science teacher in the same school (In Same School). Rates for retention of math and science teachers in a school, independently, are also included. Our focus on those teachers who still teach the same combination of subjects-math, science, or math and science-in the same school (In Same Subject(s) and School) is the most restrictive category of descriptive data presented here. Much of the summary below is focused on this most restrictive category.

In the following section, the percentage of teachers who are retained is listed along with API rates. API is defined as the complement of retention. Mathematically, API $=100 \%-$ retention $\%$. We emphasize API throughout, especially when looking at the most restrictive level of retention, as we believe API is a more accurate way to characterize the phenomenon at this level of specificity.

## Summary of Selected Results

## 2008-2009 Cohort in Public Non-Charter Ohio High Schools

Let us focus first on the retention of a cohort of Ohio math and science teachers who changed in both school and the subjects in which they taught, ignoring any further change in the teacher's status (such as returning to the same positon and subject). Chart 1a provides this information.

From Charts 1a, we learn that of the 2008-2009 cohort of teachers in all Ohio non-charter public high schools, about $81 \%$ remained in the same school teaching the same subject in 2009-2010 (i.e., the crude API is 19\%). Five years later, in 2013-2014, only $47 \%$ were teaching in the same school and in the same subject area (i.e., the API is $53 \%)$.

These rates differ if one focuses only on the teachers in the five biggest cities. In particular, of the 2008-2009 cohort in these cities, $70 \%$ were teaching the same subject in the same school in 2009-2010. The API for cities then is $30 \%$, which is well over the API rate of $19 \%$ over all teachers in the state and $17 \%$ for teachers outside the five big cities.

In the five biggest cites, the retention in the same school and subject five years later is far lower than the state as a whole. For instance, by 2013-2014, only $25 \%$ of the original cohort in the biggest cities remained in place. The API is $75 \%$ for cities, while the API for all non-public chart schools outside of these cities is $50 \%$.

If one allows for the fact that some teachers may leave a school or subject area and then return to the same school and subject later, the rates follow roughly the same patterns. Taking replacements into account (Charts 1b), the API magnitudes differ only slightly from API when replacement is not taken into account (Charts 1a). For instance, the retention from the base year to the next in the five biggest cities is $70 \%$ and the API is then $30 \%$, which is the same as without replacement. The API with replacement in cities by the fifth year is nearly the same as without replacement, i.e. $71 \%$ versus $75 \%$.

Most important, the API in cities well exceeds API in the state as a whole or the API outside of cities by a factor of 1.5 or so. This regardless of whether one takes into account teachers changing and then returning to their original alignment to school and subject.

## Year-to-Year Change

Chart 2 shows that from one year to the next, in all public non-charter Ohio high schools, about $78-81 \%$ of math and science teachers remained teaching in the same school and subject. For instance, in 2011-2012, 79\% of the teachers also taught in 2010-2011. In 2013-2014, 78\% of the teachers in the school were in the same position in 2012-2013. The year-to-year API is then 19-22\%. The rates are very similar if we look at just the non-charter public high schools outside of the five biggest cities, ranging from 20-23\%.

These results are in contrast to the year-to-year rates for the biggest cities. The retention ranges from a low of $63 \%$ for the group of teachers teaching in 2010-2011 to a high of $70 \%$ for those in 2009-2010. The year-to-year API is then $30-34 \%$. Again, the API for cities is about 1.5 times the API for the state as a whole and API for the schools outside the five biggest cities.

## Charter Schools

The proceeding discussion investigated only non-charter high schools. Charter schools are also worth investigation given their recent growth and their centrality to the national dialogue concerning public education. There are three trends to highlight with regard to the population of charter high school teachers in Ohio. First, charter high school teachers exhibit the highest API of any of the populations investigated in both cohort and year-to-year analyses. Second, the data reveal a substantial increase in the number of charter school teachers from 2008 to 2014. Third, the proportion of charter high school teacher who teach both mathematics and science is several times larger than the proportion of noncharter public high school teachers who teach both subjects.

Our main finding is that charter high school teachers were the most vulnerable population under investigation in reference to API. Regardless of type of analysis or level of retention, charter high school teachers in Ohio had the lowest retention rates and thus the highest API rates. Starting with the cohort analyses in Charts 1a, we see the retention rate of $15 \%$, or an API of $85 \%$, when looking at math and science teachers who kept their exact assignment over five years at charter high schools. These numbers contrast with the population of public non-charter high school teachers who have a retention rate of $47 \%$ in exact assignment, and with the population of public non-charter high school teachers from the five largest cities who have a retention rate of $25 \%$ in exact assignment. The accompanying API rates are $53 \%$ and $75 \%$, respectively. In total, we see that charter high school teachers have an API rate that is $60 \%$ higher than their non-charter counterparts and $13 \%$ higher than their non-charter counterparts in the five largest cities.

The differences found in the cohort analyses are replicated in the year-to-year analyses, seen in Charts 2. The retention of teachers with the same assignment from one year to the next varies between a low of $55 \%$ to a high of $59 \%$ over the five year period of analysis for charter high school teachers. The retention rate in the state for public non-charter high schools is considerably higher, varying from a low of $78 \%$ to a high of $81 \%$. As before, the teachers at public non-charter high schools in the five largest cities were between the other two populations, varying between a low of $63 \%$ and a high of $70 \%$. On average over the five-year period, the API rates for charter high school teachers is $43 \%$, for public noncharter high school teachers the API rate is $21 \%$, and for the subpopulation of these teachers in the five largest cities the API rate is $34 \%$.

The population of charter high school teachers in the 2008-09 school year was small; there were only 629 math and science teachers in the state of Ohio. The size and peculiarity of this group could have accounted for the findings in the cohort analysis. However, when looking at the year-to-year analyses, we see that the one-year retention and corresponding API rates remain somewhat constant in all populations. Therefore, looking across all of the analyses we can conclude that the charter schools had the highest incidence of API.

Secondary findings follow from the year-to-year analyses. First, we found that the number of high school charter school math and science teachers increased significantly over the five-year period of investigation. The population grew steadily from 629 in the 2008-2009 school year to 1468 in the 2013-

2014 school year, a net gain of 839 teachers. That is a $133 \%$ increase from the base year. That same time period saw a drop in the number of math and science teachers in non-charter public high schools, going from 11,353 to 10,652 . That is a net loss of 701 teachers, a $6 \%$ decrease.

Second, we found a significantly higher proportion of teachers teaching both mathematics and science at charter high schools when compared to non-charter public high schools. Of the 11,353 math and science teachers at non-charter public high schools in the 2008-2009 school year, 1,156 taught both math and science, approximately $10 \%$. Of the 629 math and science teachers at charter high schools in the 20082009 school year, 259 taught both math or science, approximately $41 \%$. The average proportion of math and science high school teachers that teach both math and science from 2008 to 2014 is the same: $10 \%$ for non-charter public high schools and $41 \%$ for charter high schools. Charter high schools, therefore, have proportionally four times the number of teachers teaching across certification areas. This finding warrants further investigation.

## Conclusion

Analyses have been presented from publicly available data from one state. The information presented is sobering. API for math and science teachers is high in Ohio:

- On average, only one in two teachers at non-charter public high schools retained the same position from the 2008-2009 school year to the 2013-2014 school year.
- API rates are $50 \%$ higher for city public high schools as compared to non-city schools.
- API rates are $60 \%$ higher for charter high schools compared to non-charter public high schools.

Furthermore, the publicly available data from Ohio was very coarse: teacher position was defined by general discipline (e.g., math and science). Consequently, all of the analyses underestimate the API. With higher quality data that ties teachers to specific grades and courses, the same analyses will produce higher API rates as teacher position, and changes, can be more accurately identified.

In sum, the public teacher data from Ohio provides a rough, albeit low, estimate of teacher instability in that state. Implications abound from these findings. High levels of API will impact research studies targeting teachers in schools as well as school interventions targeting particular grades and/or subject. This brief serves as a foundation by identifying base rates and showcasing the magnitude of positional instability rates in one state. Next steps include using more granular data to better estimate the phenomena, both in Ohio and in other jurisdictions, and to explore the various impacts of API on research studies and student achievement.

1a. 2008-09 Cohort 5-Year Retention Analyses (no replacement) ${ }^{\text {v }}$

|  | (1) All Schools |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $2008-09$ | $2009-10$ | $2010-11$ | $2011-12$ | $2012-13$ | $2013-14$ |  |
| Math and Science Teachers: | 57364 | 50032 | 44586 | 39426 | 34963 | 30669 |  |
| In State | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 3 \%}$ |  |
| Math and Science Teachers: | 57364 | 49474 | 43866 | 38699 | 34187 | 29795 |  |
| In Same District | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 2 \%}$ |  |
| Math and Science Teachers: | 57364 | 47155 | 40172 | 33856 | 28678 | 24097 |  |
| In Same School | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 2 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 2 \%}$ |  |
| Math and Science Teachers: | 57364 | 44166 | 36787 | 30440 | 25434 | 21177 |  |
| In Same Subject(s) and School | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{3 7 \%}$ |  |
| Science Teachers: | 40868 | 32907 | 27789 | 23372 | 19669 | 16443 |  |
| Same School | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 0 \%}$ |  |
| Math Teachers: | 46801 | 37759 | 31938 | 26660 | 22381 | $\mathbf{1 8 5 4 3}$ |  |
| Same School | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 0 \%}$ |  |


|  | (2) | Public Non-Charter High Schools |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $2008-09$ | $2009-10$ | $2010-11$ | $2011-12$ | $2012-13$ | $2013-14$ |
|  | 11353 | 9954 | 8917 | 7969 | 7154 | 6403 |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 6 \%}$ |
| In State | 11353 | 9804 | 8711 | 7746 | 6908 | 6111 |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 4 \%}$ |
| In Same District | 11353 | 9579 | 8256 | 7218 | 6385 | 5586 |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 9 \%}$ |
| In Same School | 11353 | 9238 | 7910 | 6917 | 6110 | 5337 |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 7 \%}$ |
| In Same Subject(s) and School | 6026 | 4980 | 4282 | 3762 | 3325 | 2916 |
| Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 2 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 8 \%}$ |
| Same School | 6483 | 5270 | 4448 | 3857 | 3376 | 2907 |
| Math Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 2 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 5 \%}$ |
| Same School |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| (3) Charter/Community High Schools |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $2008-09$ | $2009-10$ | $2010-11$ | $2011-12$ | $2012-13$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 3 - 1 4}$ |  |  |  |
|  | 629 | 426 | 337 | 249 | 199 | 155 |  |  |  |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{3 2 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 5 \%}$ |  |  |  |
| In State | 629 | 376 | 288 | 209 | 152 | 111 |  |  |  |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{3 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 8 \%}$ |  |  |  |
| In Same District | 629 | 376 | 288 | 209 | 154 | 112 |  |  |  |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{3 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 8 \%}$ |  |  |  |
| In Same School | 629 | 358 | 271 | 190 | 132 | 97 |  |  |  |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{3 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 5 \%}$ |  |  |  |
| In Same Subject(s) and School | 439 | 256 | 196 | 134 | 101 | $\mathbf{7 3}$ |  |  |  |
| Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{3 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 \%}$ |  |  |  |
| Same School | 449 | 266 | 206 | 143 | 103 | $\mathbf{7 7}$ |  |  |  |
| Math Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{3 2 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 \%}$ |  |  |  |
| Same School |  | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| (4) Public Non-Charter High Schools in 5 Largest Cities |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Math and Science Teachers: In State | 2008-09 | 2009-10 | 2010-11 | 2011-12 | 2012-13 | 2013-14 |
|  | 1465 | 1209 | 1043 | 903 | 753 | 635 |
|  | 100\% | 83\% | 71\% | 62\% | 51\% | 43\% |
| Math and Science Teachers: In Same District | 1465 | 1205 | 1027 | 882 | 728 | 608 |
|  | 100\% | 82\% | 70\% | 60\% | 50\% | 42\% |
| Math and Science Teachers: In Same School | 1465 | 1102 | 799 | 657 | 519 | 417 |
|  | 100\% | 75\% | 55\% | 45\% | 35\% | 28\% |
| Math and Science Teachers: In Same Subject(s) and School | 1465 | 1026 | 728 | 597 | 469 | 373 |
|  | 100\% | 70\% | 50\% | 41\% | 32\% | 25\% |
| Science Teachers: <br> Same School | 847 | 602 | 423 | 348 | 270 | 220 |
|  | 100\% | 71\% | 50\% | 41\% | 32\% | 26\% |
| Math Teachers: Same School | 892 | 658 | 476 | 393 | 312 | 244 |
|  | 100\% | 74\% | 53\% | 44\% | 35\% | 27\% |


| (5) Public Non-Charter High Schools outside of 5 Largest Cities |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $2008-09$ | $2009-10$ | $2010-11$ | $2011-12$ | 2012-13 | 2013-14 |  |
|  | 9888 | 8745 | 7874 | 7066 | 6401 | 5768 |  |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 8 \%}$ |  |
| In State | 9888 | 8599 | 7684 | 6864 | 6180 | 5503 |  |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 6 \%}$ |  |
| In Same District | 9888 | 8477 | 7457 | 6561 | 5866 | 5169 |  |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 2 \%}$ |  |
| In Same School | 9888 | 8212 | 7182 | 6320 | 5641 | 4964 |  |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 0 \%}$ |  |
| In Same Subject(s) and School | 5179 | 4378 | 3859 | 3414 | 3055 | 2696 |  |
| Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 2 \%}$ |  |
| Same School | 5591 | 4612 | 3972 | 3464 | 3064 | $\mathbf{2 6 6 3}$ |  |
| Math Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 2 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 2 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 8 \%}$ |  |
| Same School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1b. 2008-09 Cohort 5-Year Retention Analyses (with replacement) ${ }^{\text {vi }}$

|  | (1) All Schools |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $2008-09$ | $2009-10$ | $2010-11$ | $2011-12$ | $2012-13$ | $2013-14$ |
| Math and Science Teachers: | 57364 | 50032 | 45878 | 41963 | 38467 | 34947 |
| In State | $100 \%$ | $\mathbf{8 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 1 \%}$ |
| Math and Science Teachers: | 57364 | 49474 | 44994 | 40898 | 37201 | 33415 |
| In Same District | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 8 \%}$ |
| Math and Science Teachers: | 57364 | 47155 | 41053 | 35511 | 30919 | 26639 |
| In Same School | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 2 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 2 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 2 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 6 \%}$ |
| Math and Science Teachers: | 57364 | 44166 | 37472 | 31709 | 27117 | 23071 |
| In Same Subject(s) and School | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 0 \%}$ |
| Science Teachers: | 40868 | 32907 | 28238 | 24230 | 20835 | 17762 |
| Same School | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 3 \%}$ |
| Math Teachers: | 46801 | 37759 | 32591 | 27903 | 24059 | $\mathbf{2 0 4 6 2}$ |
| Same School | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 4 \%}$ |


|  | (2) | Public Non-Charter High Schools |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $2008-09$ | $2009-10$ | $2010-11$ | $2011-12$ | $2012-13$ | $2013-14$ |
|  | 11353 | 9954 | 9174 | 8452 | 7843 | 7290 |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 4 \%}$ |
| In State | 11353 | 9804 | 8936 | 8159 | 7482 | 6832 |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 2 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 0 \%}$ |
| In Same District | 11353 | 9579 | 8451 | 7568 | 6854 | 6148 |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 4 \%}$ |
| In Same School | 11353 | 9238 | 8082 | 7213 | 6502 | 5815 |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 1 \%}$ |
| In Same Subject(s) and School | 6026 | 4980 | 4359 | 3908 | 3522 | 3137 |
| Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 2 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 2 \%}$ |
| Same School | 6483 | 5270 | 4572 | 4067 | 3647 | 3248 |
| Math Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 0 \%}$ |
| Same School |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| (3) Charter/Community High Schools |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
|  | $2008-09$ | $2009-10$ | $2010-11$ | $2011-12$ | $2012-13$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 3 - 1 4}$ |  |
|  | 629 | 426 | 365 | 297 | 265 | 236 |  |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 2 \%}$ | $\mathbf{3 8 \%}$ |  |
| In State | 629 | 376 | 305 | 228 | 175 | 133 |  |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{3 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 1 \%}$ |  |
| In Same District | 629 | 376 | 305 | 228 | 175 | 133 |  |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{3 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 1 \%}$ |  |
| In Same School | 629 | 358 | 283 | 205 | 150 | 114 |  |
| Math and Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{3 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 8 \%}$ |  |
| In Same Subject(s) and School | 439 | 256 | 205 | 147 | 116 | 89 |  |
| Science Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{3 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 \%}$ |  |
| Same School | 449 | 266 | 213 | 153 | 113 | 88 |  |
| Math Teachers: | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{3 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 \%}$ |  |
| Same School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| (4) Public Non-Charter High Schools in 5 Largest Cities |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Math and Science Teachers: In State | 2008-09 | 2009-10 | 2010-11 | 2011-12 | 2012-13 | 2013-14 |
|  | 1465 | 1209 | 1090 | 994 | 856 | 795 |
|  | 100\% | 83\% | 74\% | 68\% | 58\% | 54\% |
| Math and Science Teachers: In Same District | 1465 | 1205 | 1073 | 967 | 824 | 757 |
|  | 100\% | 82\% | 73\% | 66\% | 56\% | 52\% |
| Math and Science Teachers: <br> In Same School | 1465 | 1102 | 832 | 712 | 574 | 487 |
|  | 100\% | 75\% | 57\% | 49\% | 39\% | 33\% |
| Math and Science Teachers: In Same Subject(s) and School | 1465 | 1026 | 755 | 635 | 511 | 424 |
|  | 100\% | 70\% | 52\% | 43\% | 35\% | 29\% |
| Science Teachers: <br> Same School | 847 | 602 | 442 | 377 | 297 | 257 |
|  | 100\% | 71\% | 52\% | 45\% | 35\% | 30\% |
| Math Teachers: Same School | 892 | 658 | 491 | 425 | 346 | 279 |
|  | 100\% | 74\% | 55\% | 48\% | 39\% | 31\% |


| (5) Public Non-Charter High Schools outside of 5 Largest Cities |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2008-09 | 2009-10 | 2010-11 | 2011-12 | 2012-13 | 2013-14 |
| Math and Science Teachers: | 9888 | 8745 | 8084 | 7458 | 6987 | 6495 |
| In State | 100\% | 88\% | 82\% | 75\% | 71\% | 66\% |
| Math and Science Teachers: | 9888 | 8599 | 7863 | 7192 | 6658 | 6075 |
| In Same District | 100\% | 87\% | 80\% | 73\% | 67\% | 61\% |
| Math and Science Teachers: | 9888 | 8477 | 7619 | 6856 | 6280 | 5661 |
| In Same School | 100\% | 86\% | 77\% | 69\% | 64\% | 57\% |
| Math and Science Teachers: | 9888 | 8212 | 7327 | 6578 | 5991 | 5391 |
| In Same Subject(s) and School | 100\% | 83\% | 74\% | 67\% | 61\% | 55\% |
| Science Teachers: | 5179 | 4378 | 3917 | 3531 | 3225 | 2880 |
| Same School |  | 85\% | 76\% | 68\% | 62\% | 56\% |
| Math Teachers: | 5591 | 4612 | 4081 | 3642 | 3301 | 2969 |
| Same School | 100\% | 82\% | 73\% | 65\% | 59\% | 53\% |

## 2. Year-to Year Retention Analyses: 2008-09 to 2013-14 ${ }^{\text {vii }}$

| (2) Public Non-Charter High Schools |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $2008-09$ | $2009-10$ | $2010-11$ | $2011-12$ | $2012-13$ | $2013-14$ |
|  | 11353 | 11306 | 11068 | 10677 | 10529 | 10652 |
| Math and Science Teachers In State |  | 9954 | 9880 | 9557 | 9187 | 9042 |
| Math and Science Teachers: |  | $\mathbf{8 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 6 \%}$ |
| In State from Previous Year |  | 9804 | 9707 | 9398 | 9012 | 8821 |
| Math and Science Teachers: |  | $\mathbf{8 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 4 \%}$ |
| In Same District from Previous Year |  | 9579 | 9335 | 9117 | 8818 | 8582 |
| Math and Science Teachers: |  | $\mathbf{8 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 2 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 2 \%}$ |
| In Same School from Previous Year |  | 9238 | 8988 | 8799 | 8488 | 8239 |
| Math and Science Teachers: In Same |  | $\mathbf{8 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 8 \%}$ |
| Subject(s) \& School from Previous Year |  | 6030 | 5897 | 5714 | 5583 | 5566 |
| Science Teachers In State | 6026 | 6030 |  |  |  |  |
| Science Teacher Same School to |  | 4980 | 4846 | 4773 | 4596 | 4416 |
| Previous Year |  | $\mathbf{8 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 9 \%}$ |
| Math Teachers In State | 6483 | 6423 | 6254 | 6063 | 5998 | 6156 |
| Math Teacher Same School to Previous |  | 5270 | 5106 | 4989 | 4873 | 4754 |
| Year |  | $\mathbf{8 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 9 \%}$ |


| (3) Charter/Community High Schools |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2008-09 | 2009-10 | 2010-11 | 2011-12 | 2012-13 | 2013-14 |
| Math and Science Teachers In State | 629 | 1066 | 1075 | 1228 | 1367 | 1468 |
| Math and Science Teachers: |  | 426 | 753 | 745 | 887 | 965 |
| In State from Previous Year |  | 68\% | 71\% | 69\% | 72\% | 71\% |
| Math and Science Teachers: |  | 376 | 687 | 680 | 788 | 836 |
| In Same District from Previous Year |  | 60\% | 64\% | 63\% | 64\% | 61\% |
| Math and Science Teachers: |  | 376 | 687 | 680 | 788 | 836 |
| In Same School from Previous Year |  | 60\% | 64\% | 63\% | 64\% | 61\% |
| Math and Science Teachers: In Same |  | 358 | 634 | 625 | 709 | 752 |
| Subject(s) \& School from Previous Year |  | 57\% | 59\% | 58\% | 58\% | 55\% |
| Science Teachers In State | 439 | 755 | 738 | 820 | 945 | 978 |
| Science Teacher Same School to |  | 256 | 460 | 446 | 506 | 533 |
| Previous Year |  | 58\% | 61\% | 60\% | 62\% | 56\% |
| Math Teachers In State | 449 | 796 | 790 | 906 | 994 | 1058 |
| Math Teacher Same School to Previous |  | 233 | 504 | 488 | 569 | 571 |
| Year |  | 52\% | 63\% | 62\% | 63\% | 57\% |


| (4) Public Non-Charter High Schools in 5 Largest Cities |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Math and Science Teachers In State | 2008-09 | 2009-10 | 2010-11 | 2011-12 | 2012-13 | 2013-14 |
|  | 1465 | 1446 | 1414 | 1349 | 1211 | 1258 |
| Math and Science Teachers: In State from Previous Year |  | $1209$ | $1215$ | $1177$ | 1052 | 958 |
| Math and Science Teachers: In Same District from Previous Year |  | 1205 | 1195 | 1168 |  | 950 |
|  |  | 82\% | 83\% | 83\% | 77\% | 78\% |
| Math and Science Teachers: In Same School from Previous Year |  | 1102 | 990 | 1044 | 952 | 868 |
|  |  | 75\% | 68\% | 74\% | 71\% | 72\% |
| Math and Science Teachers: In Same Subject(s) \& School from Previous Year |  | 1026 | 910 | 965 | 871 | 796 |
|  |  | 70\% | 63\% | 68\% | 65\% | 66\% |
| Science Teachers In State | 847 | 830 | 827 | 791 | 697 | 705 |
| Science Teacher Same School to Previous Year |  | 602 | 530 | 584 | 516 | 467 |
|  |  | 71\% | 64\% | 71\% | 65\% | 67\% |
| Math Teachers In State | 892 | 875 | 863 | 831 | 760 | 803 |
| Math Teacher Same School to Previous Year |  | 658 | 584 | 616 | 582 | 537 |
|  |  | 74\% | 67\% | 71\% | 70\% | 71\% |
| (5) Public Non-Charter High Schools outside of 5 Largest Cities |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Math and Science Teachers In State | 2008-09 | 2009-10 | 2010-11 | 2011-12 | 2012-13 | 2013-14 |
|  | 9888 | 9860 | 9654 | 9328 | 9318 | 9394 |
| Math and Science Teachers: In State from Previous Year |  | 8745 | 8665 | 8380 | 8135 | 8084 |
|  |  | 88\% | 88\% | 87\% | 87\% | 87\% |
| Math and Science Teachers: In Same District from Previous Year |  | 8599 | 8512 | 8230 | 7973 | 7871 |
|  |  | 87\% | 86\% | 85\% | 85\% | 84\% |
| Math and Science Teachers: In Same School from Previous Year |  | 8477 | 8345 | 8073 | 7866 | 7714 |
|  |  | 86\% | 85\% | 84\% | 84\% | 83\% |
| Math and Science Teachers: In Same Subject(s) \& School from Previous Year |  | 8212 | 8078 | 7834 | 7617 | 7443 |
|  |  | 83\% | 82\% | 81\% | 82\% | 80\% |
| Science Teachers In State | 5179 | 5200 | 5070 | 4923 | 4886 | 4861 |
| Science Teacher Same School to Previous Year |  | 4378 | 4316 | 4189 | 4080 | 3949 |
|  |  | 85\% | 83\% | 83\% | 83\% | 81\% |
| Math Teachers In State | 5591 | 5548 | 5391 | 5232 | 5238 | 5353 |
| Math Teacher Same School to Previous Year |  | 4612 | 4522 | 4373 | 4291 | 4217 |
|  |  | 82\% | 82\% | 81\% | 82\% | 81\% |

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[^0]:    ${ }^{\text {i }} 21^{\text {st }}$ Century Center for Research and Development in Cognition and Science Instruction (IES award\# R305C080009)
    ${ }^{\text {ii }}$ Boruch, Merlino, Baker, Bowden, Chao, Park, \& Porter, in review
    ${ }^{\text {iii }}$ Elementary teachers are identified as both math and science teachers.
    ${ }^{\text {iv }}$ Ohio charter schools are referred to as both "charter" and community" schools. For simplicity, we will refer to both types of schools as charter schools.
    v "No replacement" means that once a teacher transfers schools or districts, he/she cannot re-enter the database at that school or district at a later date.
    vi "With replacement" means that a teacher can reenter the database if he/she returns to his/her original school/district after leaving.
    ${ }^{\text {vii }}$ Year-to-year analysis includes all available teachers from one year and reports retention in the following year.

