

Developmental Reading Assessment 2nd Edition (DRA2) Results

Summary of
Spring Assessments

Developmental Reading Assessment: 2nd Edition (DRA2)

Background

Section 10-265g (b) of the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) states that "for each school year commencing on or after July 1, 1999, each local and regional board of education for a priority school district shall require the schools under its jurisdiction to evaluate the reading level of students enrolled in Grades 1-3, inclusive, in the middle of the school year and at the end of the school year." As of July 1, 2011, students in Grades 1-3 are also assessed in September and all kindergarten students are included in the end of the school year assessment.

The statute further states, "A student shall be determined to be substantially deficient in reading based on measures set by the State Board of Education." The intention of this legislative requirement is to identify students who are most at risk of failing to read on grade level by the end of each grade (Grade 1 through Grade 3) and to provide immediate and ongoing intervention for identified students until they are reading at a level determined to be proficient.

On December 1, 1999, the State Board of Education (SBE) adopted the Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA) as the approved standardized assessment for identifying which students are substantially deficient in reading and in need of additional support for students in Grades 1-3. The DRA was selected because it is an assessment that provides teachers with pertinent information about students' reading performance and informs instruction. In 2009-10 the DRA2 replaced the DRA as the state-required assessment for all PSDs.

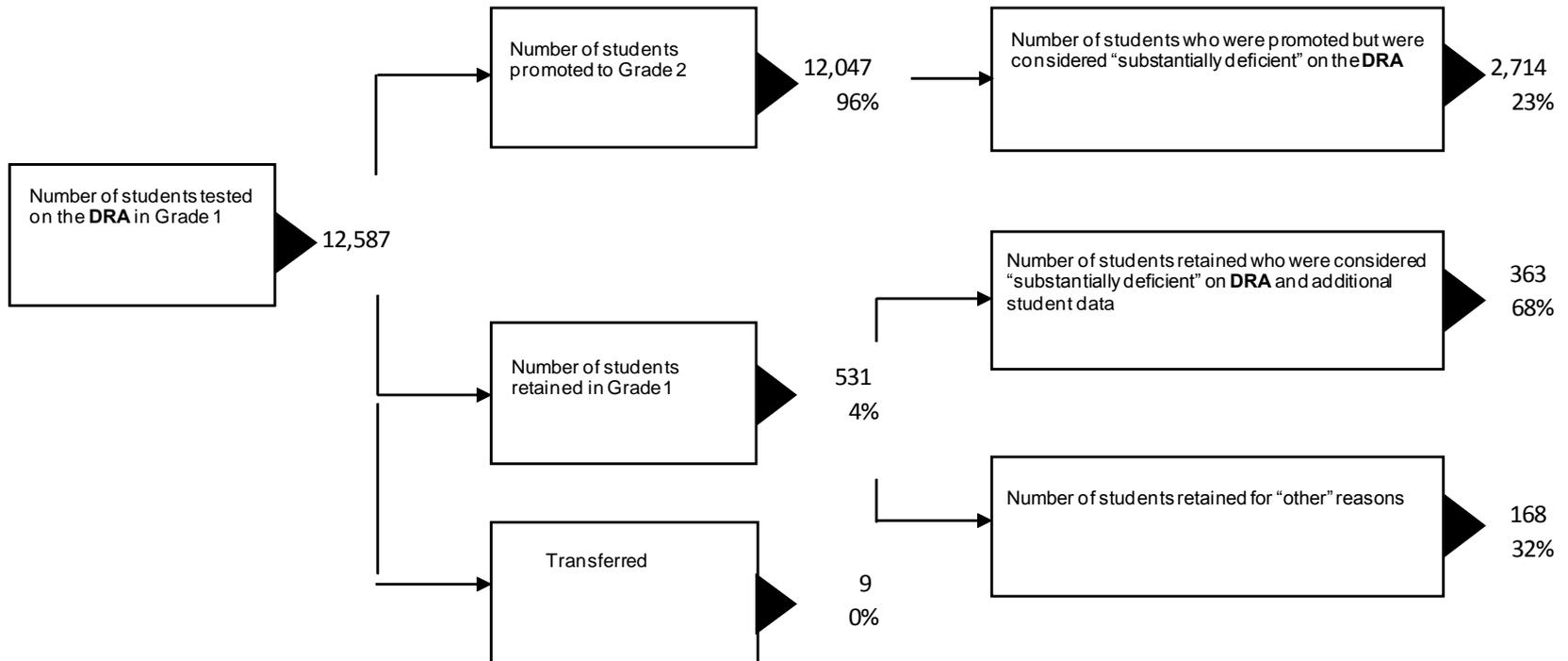
For more information, please see <http://www.sde.ct.gov/sde/cwp/view.asp?a=2663&q=334586>

DRA2 District Level Data K-3 Spring 2012

Percentage of Test-takers

District Name	Test-Takers	Proficient and Above	Monitor	Substantially Deficient
Ansonia	758	46.4	40.1	13.5
Bridgeport	7,177	50.4	29.9	19.6
Danbury	3,469	55.6	28.2	16.2
East Hartford	2,136	50.5	26.8	22.7
Hartford	6,580	58.2	22.9	18.9
Meriden	2,678	51.5	29.4	19.2
New Britain	3,389	41.1	31.2	27.8
New Haven	4,560	40.1	26.0	33.9
New London	903	58.9	24.5	16.6
Norwalk	2,911	56.3	28.8	14.9
Norwich	1,320	57.8	23.0	19.2
Putnam	373	40.0	35.1	24.9
Stamford	5,061	57.6	25.2	17.2
Waterbury	5,108	21.3	53.4	25.3
Windham	1,017	28.6	43.3	28.1
Total	47,440	48.0	30.5	21.5

Promotion, Retention, and Rationale 2011-12 DRA2 Grade 1



Frequency of Promotion by Substantially Deficient Status: 2011-12 DRA2

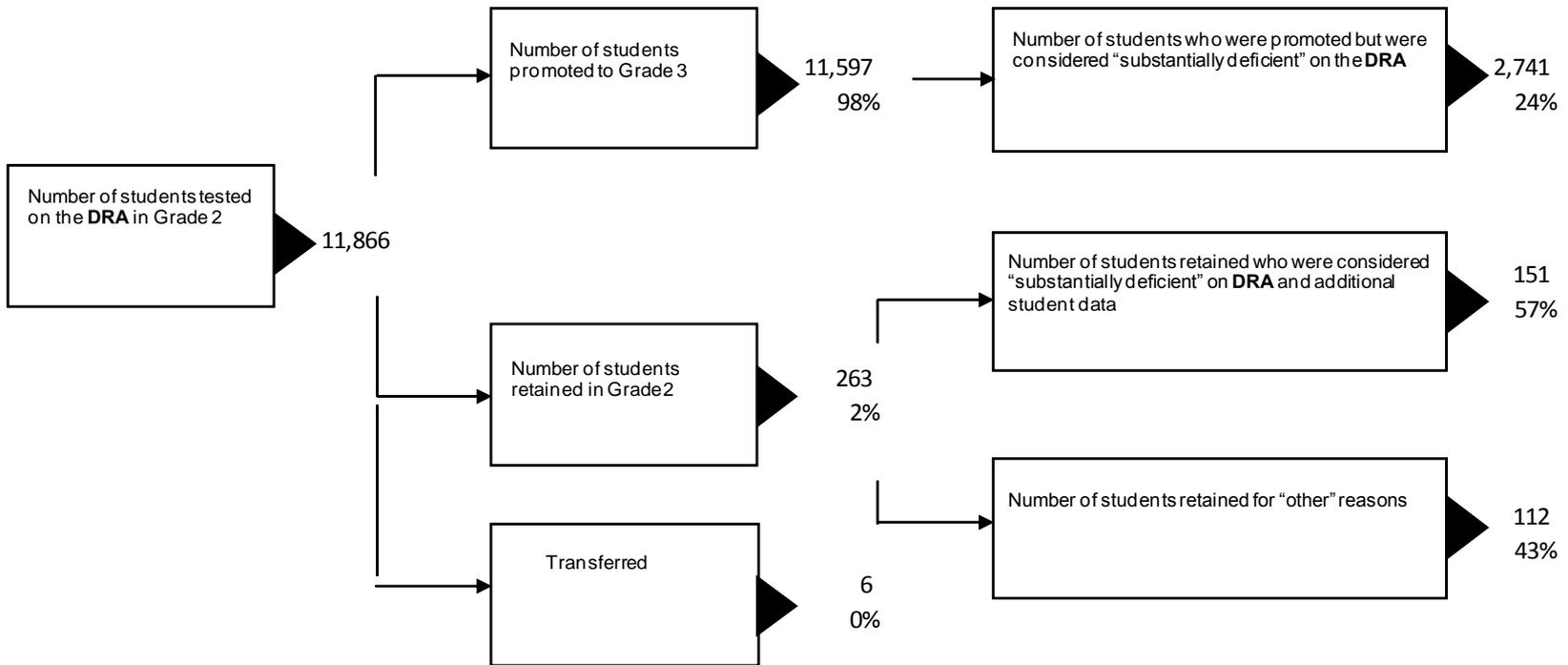
Grade 01				
Substantially Deficient?	Promoted			Total
	N	Transferred	Y	
N			9333	9333
Y	531	9	2714	3254
Total	531	9	12047	12587

Frequency of Promotion by Rationale:

Students Who Were Substantially Deficient on the 2011-12 DRA2

Grade 01	
Rationale for Promotion	% of Total
Teacher recommendation based on review of student's academic progress	32.06
Student is in a Special Education program	21.99
English Language learner	24.97
Other	11.50
Student has previously been retained	5.57
Other factors strongly suggest retention could be emotionally harmful to student	3.48
Review of additional reading assessments indicates sufficient reading proficiency	0.43
Total	100.00

Promotion, Retention, and Rationale 2011-12 DRA2 Grade 2



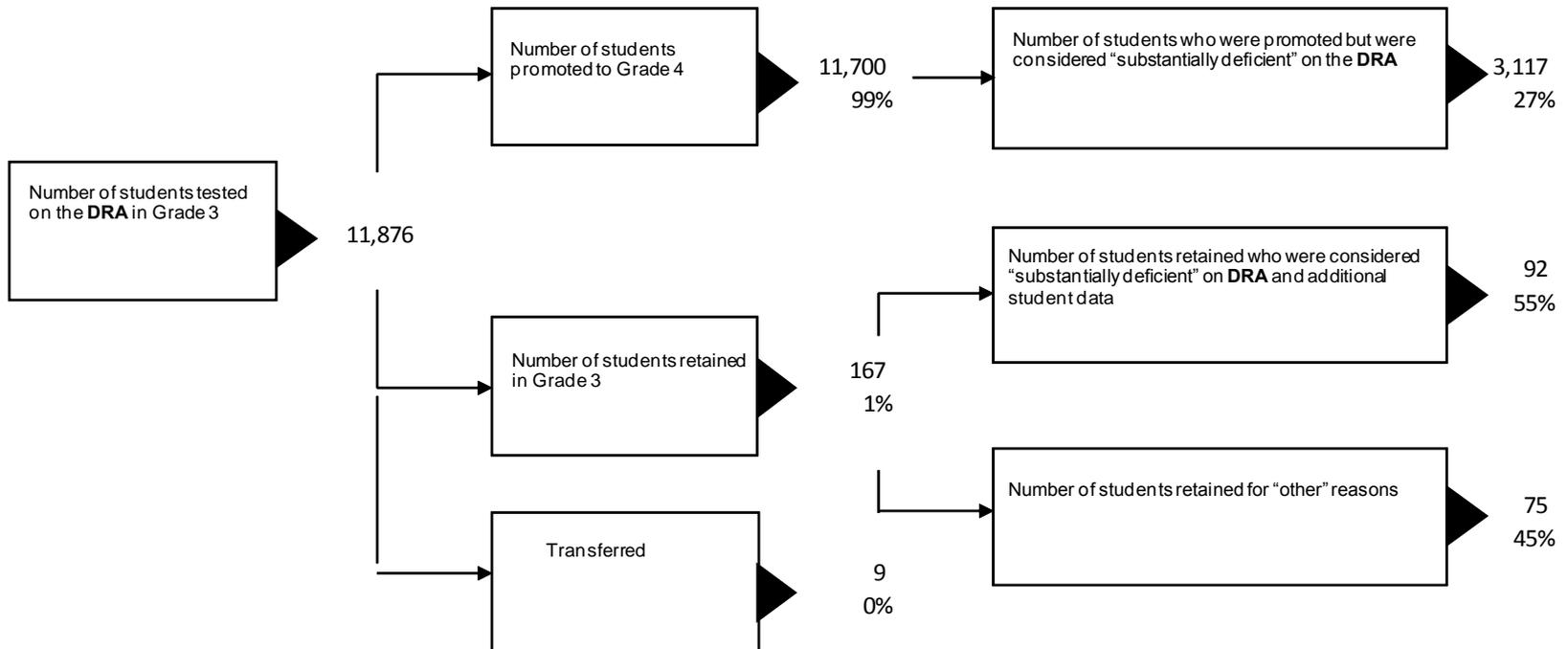
Frequency of Promotion by Substantially Deficient Status: 2011-12 DRA2

Grade 02				
Substantially Deficient?	Promoted			Total
	N	Transferred	Y	
N			8856	8856
Y	263	6	2741	3010
Total	263	6	11597	11866

Frequency of Promotion by Rationale: Students Who Were Substantially Deficient on the 2011-12 DRA2

Grade 02	
Rationale for Promotion	% of Total
Teacher recommendation based on review of student's academic progress	31.51
Student is in a Special Education program	28.93
English Language learner	18.60
Other	12.87
Student has previously been retained	5.35
Other factors strongly suggest retention could be emotionally harmful to student	2.32
Review of additional reading assessments indicates sufficient reading proficiency	0.42
Total	100.00

Promotion, Retention, and Rationale 2011-12 DRA2 Grade 3



Frequency of Promotion by Substantially Deficient Status: 2011-12 DRA2

Grade 03				
Substantially Deficient?	Promoted			Total
	N	Transferred	Y	
N			8583	8583
Y	167	9	3117	3293
Total	167	9	11700	11876

Frequency of Promotion by Rationale:

Students Who Were Substantially Deficient on the 2011-12 DRA2

Grade 03	
Rationale for Promotion	% of Total
Teacher recommendation based on review of student's academic progress	31.50
Student is in a Special Education program	31.24
English Language learner	19.06
Other	10.89
Student has previously been retained	3.81
Other factors strongly suggest retention could be emotionally harmful to student	2.55
Review of additional reading assessments indicates sufficient reading proficiency	0.96
Total	100.00

Percent of Substantially Deficient Students Promoted/Retained: 2011-12 DRA2

Grade 01				
District	Promoted			Total
	N	T	Y	
Ansonia	66.67	.	33.33	100.00
Bridgeport	23.91	.	76.09	100.00
Danbury	20.89	.	79.11	100.00
East Hartford	2.13	.	97.87	100.00
Hartford	19.35	.	80.65	100.00
Meriden	10.98	.	89.02	100.00
New Britain	4.51	.	95.49	100.00
New Haven	17.69	.	82.31	100.00
New London	9.09	.	90.91	100.00
Norwalk	8.47	.	91.53	100.00
Norwich	3.08	.	96.92	100.00
Putnam	.	.	100.00	100.00
Stamford	11.44	.	88.56	100.00
Waterbury	25.18	2.18	72.64	100.00
Windham	2.25	.	97.75	100.00
Total	16.32	0.28	83.41	100.00

Percent of Substantially Deficient Students Promoted/Retained: 2011-12 DRA2

Grade 02				
District	Promoted			Total
	N	T	Y	
Ansonia	13.04	.	86.96	100.00
Bridgeport	11.44	.	88.56	100.00
Danbury	10.69	.	89.31	100.00
East Hartford	2.76	.	97.24	100.00
Hartford	12.00	.	88.00	100.00
Meriden	2.53	.	97.47	100.00
New Britain	3.68	.	96.32	100.00
New Haven	16.88	.	83.12	100.00
New London	2.27	.	97.73	100.00
Norwalk	0.69	.	99.31	100.00
Norwich	2.63	.	97.37	100.00
Putnam	.	.	100.00	100.00
Stamford	5.41	.	94.59	100.00
Waterbury	10.31	1.67	88.02	100.00
Windham	2.17	.	97.83	100.00
Total	8.74	0.20	91.06	100.00

Percent of Substantially Deficient Students Promoted/Retained: 2011-12 DRA2

Grade 03				
District	Promoted			Total
	N	T	Y	
Ansonia	.	.	100.00	100.00
Bridgeport	9.43	.	90.57	100.00
Danbury	4.19	.	95.81	100.00
East Hartford	1.16	.	98.84	100.00
Hartford	5.43	.	94.57	100.00
Meriden	1.82	.	98.18	100.00
New Britain	3.46	.	96.54	100.00
New Haven	10.08	.	89.92	100.00
New London	2.00	.	98.00	100.00
Norwalk	1.50	.	98.50	100.00
Norwich	.	.	100.00	100.00
Putnam	.	.	100.00	100.00
Stamford	2.71	.	97.29	100.00
Waterbury	4.00	2.40	93.60	100.00
Windham	.	.	100.00	100.00
Total	5.07	0.27	94.66	100.00

Rationale for Non-Promotion of Substantially Deficient Students: 2011-12 DRA2

Total – All Grades			
District	Description		Total
	Not promoted based on DRA2 results & additional student data	Not promoted other	
Ansonia	100.00	.	100.00
Bridgeport	100.00	.	100.00
Danbury	91.55	8.45	100.00
East Hartford	69.23	30.77	100.00
Hartford	67.50	32.50	100.00
Meriden	100.00	.	100.00
New Britain	20.51	79.49	100.00
New Haven	.	100.00	100.00
New London	100.00	.	100.00
Norwalk	78.95	21.05	100.00
Norwich	100.00	.	100.00
Stamford	36.54	63.46	100.00
Waterbury	97.67	2.33	100.00
Windham	100.00	.	100.00
Total	66.94	33.06	100.00

Rationale for Non-Promotion of Substantially Deficient Students: 2011-12 DRA2

Grade 01			
District	Description		Total
	Not promoted based on DRA2 results & additional student data	Not promoted other	
Ansonia	100.00	.	100.00
Bridgeport	100.00	.	100.00
Danbury	96.97	3.03	100.00
East Hartford	33.33	66.67	100.00
Hartford	64.10	35.90	100.00
Meriden	100.00	.	100.00
New Britain	23.08	76.92	100.00
New Haven	.	100.00	100.00
New London	100.00	.	100.00
Norwalk	70.00	30.00	100.00
Norwich	100.00	.	100.00
Stamford	38.71	61.29	100.00
Waterbury	99.04	0.96	100.00
Windham	100.00	.	100.00
Total	68.36	31.64	100.00

Rationale for Non-Promotion of Substantially Deficient Students: 2011-12 DRA2

Grade 02			
District	Description		Total
	Not promoted based on DRA2 results & additional student data	Not promoted other	
Ansonia	100.00	.	100.00
Bridgeport	100.00	.	100.00
Danbury	100.00	.	100.00
East Hartford	50.00	50.00	100.00
Hartford	61.90	38.10	100.00
Meriden	100.00	.	100.00
New Britain	18.18	81.82	100.00
New Haven	.	100.00	100.00
New London	100.00	.	100.00
Norwalk	100.00	.	100.00
Norwich	100.00	.	100.00
Stamford	50.00	50.00	100.00
Waterbury	100.00	.	100.00
Windham	100.00	.	100.00
Total	57.41	42.59	100.00

Rationale for Non-Promotion of Substantially Deficient Students: 2011-12 DRA2

Grade 03			
District	Description		Total
	Not promoted based on DRA2 results & additional student data	Not promoted other	
Bridgeport	100.00	.	100.00
Danbury	100.00	.	100.00
East Hartford	100.00	.	100.00
Hartford	68.18	31.82	100.00
Meriden	100.00	.	100.00
New Britain	9.09	90.91	100.00
New Haven	.	100.00	100.00
New London	100.00	.	100.00
Norwalk	50.00	50.00	100.00
Stamford	.	100.00	100.00
Waterbury	100.00	.	100.00
Total	55.09	44.91	100.00

Frequency of Promotion by Rationale by District:

Students Who Were Substantially Deficient on the 2011-12 DRA2

Total – All Grades								
District	Description							Total
	English Language learner	Other	Other factors strongly suggest retention could be emotionally harmful to student	Review of additional reading assessments indicates sufficient reading proficiency	Student has previously been retained	Student is in a Special Education program	Teacher recommendation based on review of student's academic progress	
Ansonia	4.11	1.37	1.37	.	10.96	54.79	27.40	100.00
Bridgeport	.	.	.	.	.	30.26	69.74	100.00
Danbury	40.45	2.46	9.45	1.03	5.54	27.31	13.76	100.00
East Hartford	1.95	81.34	.	0.22	0.22	8.68	7.59	100.00
Hartford	21.46	9.26	5.01	0.54	14.92	33.88	14.92	100.00
Meriden	25.46	.	.	.	.	32.41	42.13	100.00
New Britain	26.21	.	.	.	.	29.49	44.29	100.00
New Haven	27.96	.	.	.	4.98	23.93	43.13	100.00
New London	26.87	.	5.97	0.75	7.46	48.51	10.45	100.00
Norwalk	18.09	56.33	1.29	1.55	1.55	15.25	5.94	100.00
Norwich	25.31	32.65	1.22	0.82	0.82	28.98	10.20	100.00
Putnam	.	.	79.35	.	.	20.65	.	100.00
Stamford	28.30	25.71	6.26	1.90	3.13	22.31	12.38	100.00
Waterbury	20.95	3.64	1.72	2.13	11.03	36.13	24.39	100.00
Windham	37.17	3.35	.	.	7.43	21.56	30.48	100.00
Total	20.89	11.76	2.87	0.64	4.75	27.81	31.28	100.00