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The report, which is part of a series, contains data examining the educational, employment, and independent living outcomes attained by handicapped youth as they exit school and enter the work force. An introduction to the secondary analysis of extant data sources (such as the High School and Beyond data base) is provided in Chapter I. Chapter II contains tables describing the percentage of youth presently served (by handicapping condition) based on data from the Seventh Annual Report to Congress on the Implementation of the Education of the Handicapped Act. The third chapter provides data which profile the handicapped sample in "High School and Beyond," Chapters IV and V contain tables on educational outcomes for the handicapped versus nonhandicapped youth and present comparisons among specific handicapping conditions. Chapter VI contains tables and figures on first job employment earnings, hours worked, occupations chosen, and other factors associated with employment. Chapter VII presents summary tables on employment data for six selected handicapping conditions of youth. Among appendixes are a listing (by state) of number of handicapped youth served, detailed explanations of the High School and Beyond variables, and the original employment questionnaires. (DB)

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The following principles guide our research related to the education and employment of youth and adults with specialized education, training, employment, and adjustment needs.

- Individuals have a basic right to be educated and to work in the environment that least restricts their right to learn and interact with other students and persons who are not handicapped.
- Individuals with varied abilities, social backgrounds, aptitudes, and learning styles must have equal access and opportunity to engage in education and work, and life-long learning.
- Educational experiences must be planned, delivered, and evaluated based upon the unique abilities, social backgrounds, and learning styles of the individual.
- Agencies, organizations, and individuals from a broad array of disciplines and professional fields must effectively and systematically coordinate their efforts to meet individual education and employment needs.
- Individuals grow and mature throughout their lives requiring varying levels and types of educational and employment support.
- The capability of an individual to obtain and hold meaningful and productive employment is important to the individual's quality of life.
- Parents, advocates, and friends form a vitally important social network that is an instrumental aspect of education, transition to employment, and continuing employment.

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Preface

Guide to the Document

This is the first in a series of annual descriptions of data examining the educational, employment, and independent living outcomes attained by handicapped youth as they exit school and enter the work force. This book will be referred to as the 1986 Edition of the Digest on Youth in Transition. This Digest represents analyses conducted with two major data sources. Each year additional analyses will be performed to consider the current information and emerging trends in longitudinal data bases.

This publication contains a variety of tables and figures presenting data on the percentage of youth served by handicapping condition at the state level for the 6-17 age cohort versus the 18-21 age cohort. In addition, characteristics of handicapped and nonhandicapped youth, as provided in the High School and Beyond (HSB) data base, are used to portray comparisons of educational outcomes and employment rates for handicapped and nonhandicapped youth, and also depict salient differences among six specific conditions of handicapped youth regarding their educational and employment outcomes. An introduction to the secondary analysis of extant data sources is provided in Chapter I. Chapter II provides tables and a figure describing the percentage of youth served by handicapping condition based on the data provided by the Seventh Annual Report to Congress on the Implementation of the Education of the Handicapped Act. Chapter III provides tables and figures which profile the handicapped sample in High School and Beyond. Chapters IV and V contain tables on educational outcomes for the handicapped versus nonhandicapped youth and present comparisons among the specific handicapping conditions, respectively. Chapter VI contains tables and figures on first job employment earnings, hours worked, occupations chosen, and other factors associated with employment. These include methods used to find the first job and reasons for leaving the first job. Chapter VII presents summary tables on employment data for six selected handicapping conditions of youth. Footnotes to the tables

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provide information with respect to published sources of the data and make reference to tables and other data in the appendices. Exhibit notes are made on the bottom of the table or figure highlighting the major findings in the display.

Appendix A gives the listing (by state) of the number of handicapped youth served who are 6-17 and 18-21 years of age. This data was taken from the Seventh Annual Report to Congress on the Implementation of the Education of the Handicapped Act. Appendix B gives detailed technical explanations of the High School and Beyond variables and constructs which were created for use in this Digest. A listing of the original employment questions is given in Appendix C. An illustrative example explaining box plots is presented in Appendix D.

Summary of Methodology

Basic descriptive statistics are used to describe the percentage of handicapped youth served by the Education of the Handicapped Act. Changes in percentages of youth served from the school years to the post school years were examined for each of the handicapping conditions. Box plots are used to display the different percentages of youth served for three handicapping conditions for these two time periods.

Graphical displays are used along with tables to display the data in the form of horizontal percentage bar charts. Box plots are used to display distributional properties for various comparisons of educational and employment outcomes. Box plots give an excellent visual representation of the distributional properties of the data with the middle fifty percent of the observations represented by the box. The lines extending from the box represent the upper and lower twenty-five percent of the observations. Observations that are considered outliers are represented on the display with a "O" (chance of occurring as 1 out of 20) and a "*" (chance of occurring as 1 out of 200).

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Various distributions with extreme values were modified to capture the main features of the distribution (Winsorized) and to provide clearer profiles of the distributions between comparison groups. Notes explaining this procedure are given in Appendix B and are referenced in the exhibit note area. Missing values for all variables were set to blank so that only possible values were captured as the minimum and maximum for each variable. Asterisks are used on the tables to indicate the cells for which fewer than 25 subjects were available. We caution the reader in the interpretation of information from these cells.

Caveats

The displays and tables are descriptive in that no particular theories are presented to explain the observed trends. In addition to being largely free of theory, the tables and figures are without value judgments and without advocacy of any policy changes. The accuracy and reliability of the basic data, and the consistency of the statistical universes from which the basic data are obtained, are not the same for all statistics. For example, the sample represented in High School and Beyond was based on self-report data while the data presented in the Seventh Annual Report to Congress on the Implementation of the Education of the Handicapped Act data base are from State Education Officers. It is hoped that, with the introductory notes at the beginning of each chapter and the comments after the displays, these descriptive profiles and breakdowns of outcome data will advance our understanding of the characteristics of handicapped youth in transition.

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Chapter I

Introduction to Secondary Analysis of Extant Data Sources

Overview of Transition Institute

The College of Education at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) has received a federal contract to create an institute that will study and evaluate services delivered to disabled youth who are entering the job market.

The Transition Institute at Illinois, which will be funded for five years by the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS), U.S. Department of Education, will be conducting research and working with federally funded secondary special education projects throughout the country. The Transition Institute is directed by Frank R. Rusch, Professor of Special Education, and co-directed by L. Allen Phelps, Associate Dean of Education and Professor of Vocational Education.

Recently, the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights (1983) reported that between 50% and 80% of all persons with disabilities are unemployed. These data suggest that a disproportionately large number of disabled persons do not obtain meaningful jobs. Several follow-up studies conducted in Vermont (Hasazi, Gordon, & Roe, 1985), Virginia (Wehman, Kregel, & Zoller, 1984), Colorado (Mithaug & Horiuchi, 1983), and Washington (Edgar & Levine, 1986) reflect similar figures. Based on these findings, it appears that--in spite of considerable recent attention focused on elementary and secondary education--meaningful employment benefits for graduating students who are disabled have not been realized.

Although several million individuals with disabilities in this country are denied, for various reasons, the opportunity to engage in meaningful employment, these individuals do possess the potential to live and work in the community. These individuals have been the focus of attention by special educators, vocational educators,

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vocational rehabilitation personnel, adult service agencies, and many other agencies and organizations for the past three decades. Unfortunately, individuals who are mentally retarded, physically disabled, and/or otherwise disabled, have not made a successful transition to the community. Most of them either work in sheltered settings, are underemployed, or are unemployed and live with family, relatives, or friends without much hope of participating in their community in the manner in which most nondisabled persons participate. There is considerable evidence to suggest that these youth will not make gains in the world of work unless there is a concentrated effort to identify and introduce interventions that will lead to their employment.

The Transition Institute is designed to address both the theoretical and practical problems of transition from school to work for youth with handicaps. The Transition Institute grew out of a consensus among legislative, professional, and advocacy organizations that an initiative was needed to establish a more systematic and effective delivery system to assist youth with handicaps in making the transition from school or unemployment to work. The passage of Public Law 98-199 provided the authority to address this need specifically through Section 626, entitled "Secondary Education and Transition Services for Handicapped Youth". The mission of the Transition Institute is threefold: it will address a series of evaluation, technical assistance, and research activities.

Review of Extant Data Sources

One of the major tasks of the evaluation program of the Transition Institute entails examining the educational, employment, and independent living outcomes attained by handicapped youth as they leave school and enter the work force. Federal, state, and local data sources as well as follow-up studies on these variables will be compiled and reviewed in this and future publications.

Secondary data sources (for example, High School & Beyond) will be analyzed relative to employment and

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educational outcomes for both handicapped and nonhandicapped youth. As is the case with High School and Beyond, a series of analyses will be conducted for each of these outcome measures for students reporting each handicapping condition as well as by groups based on their graduation status from high school. Longitudinal analyses are performed with the subjects who were sophomores in 1980 and were followed up as part of the study in 1982, 1984, and 1986. Characteristics of handicapped youth will be compared with the nonhandicapped youth. At present, data tapes are available which describe the participation of of the Sophomore cohort in the High School and Beyond study through the Spring of 1984.

The document, Digest on Youth in Transition, modeled after the Digest of Data on Persons with Disabilities and The Condition of Education will be published annually describing the available information on such variables as the incidence of handicapping conditions, employment and unemployment rates for both handicapped and nonhandicapped youth, minority status among handicapped youth, secondary school completion data, employment status, earnings, and residential arrangements.

Specific Secondary Data Sources Examined

The transition from youth to adulthood has become an increasingly important topic for researchers, policy analysts, and practitioners. The first Digest on Youth in Transition examines in detail two U.S. Department of Education extant data sources. The first is the Seventh Annual Report to Congress on the Implementation of The Education of the Handicapped Act. The second is the National Center for Education Statistics' High School and Beyond second follow-up longitudinal data files. Each of these data sources is unique in composition, though both were initiated to provide a wide range of data for examination by interested parties. The following sections provide a brief overview of the data files and their salient characteristics. Future editions of the Digest will examine proposed updates on these data sources following the primary theme of transition from school to work.

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1. Seventh Annual Report to Congress on the Implementation of The Education of the Handicapped Act examines the progress made in implementing the mandates of the Education of the Handicapped Act, as amended by P.L. 98-199. According to the U.S. Department of Education,

...the data presented in the report demonstrates that the States have successfully implemented the procedural features of the Act. However, those data also attest to the continuing need to strive for quality in all aspects of programming for handicapped children and their parents (p. iii).

In addition to the basic data provided by the States, the report includes information from some of the discretionary programs. These program grants include support for research, development, evaluation, demonstration, personnel preparation, and technical assistance activities. Contained within the report are descriptions of legislation and priorities set by OSERS. One of these priorities is a major initiative to improve the services available to handicapped adolescents moving from education to the world of work.

The data examined in this Digest is taken directly from the State reports on the numbers of children 6-17 and 18-21 years served under P.L. 94-142 by handicapping condition during the school year 1983-1984 (Tables 6A4 and 6A5, pp. 202-203). In future editions OSERS intends to modify the age groups represented in the reported procedure and also provide exiting information on the number of handicapped students graduating from or dropping out of high school.

2. High School & Beyond (HSB) : The Second Follow-up of the 1980 Sophomores is a national study initiated for the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) by the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago. The data collection process began with the group administration of questionnaires and achievement tests to 30,000 sophomores and 28,000 seniors enrolled in more than 1000 public and private schools in the Spring of 1980. HSB

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continued with a second collection of data from the 1980 sophomores and seniors in Spring 1982 and the collection of high school transcripts in Fall 1982 for a subsample of the sophomore cohort members. A third data collection from 1980 sophomores and seniors took place in Spring 1984.

The most recent data files are from the 1984 second follow-up and contains both post-secondary education and job histories for the two years after high school graduation. In addition, these files contain information on school, family, work experience (during and after high school), educational and occupational aspirations, personal values, high school test scores, and credits earned in selected curricular areas. Information is also collected on students who are classified as dropouts, transfers, and early graduates.

The results from our analyses should contribute to a greater understanding of the development of young adults and of the factors that determine individual education and career outcomes. Such information is useful as a basis for review and reformulation of federal, state, and local policies affecting the transition of youth from school to adult life.

One of the more unique features of HSB is its "weighting" capabilities. Student weights are available for use in obtaining population estimates that reflect the total national frame rather than only the students from the cooperating schools. The sophomore cohort weights estimate the population of roughly 3,800,000 high school sophomores in 1980. The weights were developed to compensate for differential selection probabilities and participation rates across all survey waves (NCES, 1986). Future editions of the Digest will utilize the weighting capabilities of High School and Beyond.

In contrast to the P.L. 94-142 definitional guidelines, students in the sample were asked (in self-administered questionnaires) whether they had any of six specific handicapping conditions, whether they had a condition that

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limited the kinds or amount of work or education they could do, and whether they participated in special programs for the physically or educationally handicapped. The following handicaps were considered:

- * Specific Learning Disabilities
- * Visually Impaired
- * Hard of Hearing
- * Deaf
- * Speech Impaired
- * Orthopedically Impaired
- * Other Health Impaired

Additionally, there are three details concerning the sample for HSB that limit the definition of handicapped students in the data. First, the student population for the survey was defined as students who were enrolled in high school programs leading to graduation and a diploma. This eliminated from the sample all students who were in non-degree programs (leading, for example, to attendance certificates) and thereby eliminated one subset of students often included in definitions of handicapped. Second, although attempts were made to accommodate such problems, most students had to be able to read and fill out the questionnaire themselves. Thus, a second subset--was also largely excluded. Third, because NCES was concerned that no students be made uncomfortable or unhappy by participating, any students drawn into the sample who were considered by teachers to be "at risk" were excluded. This may have eliminated some of the students with emotional or mental handicaps. In addition, the estimated 39,000 secondary school students in residential schools for exceptional students were not eligible for the sample. This is also true of the multihandicapped, mentally retarded, and seriously emotionally disturbed who are enrolled full-time in special education programs not leading to a diploma. Thus, the nature of the sample is such that it is essentially composed of students with mild or border-line handicaps.

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Chapter II

Handicapped Youth Served by Condition Summary of State Level Cohort Analyses (6-17 & 18-21)

In the Seventh Annual Report to Congress on the Implementation of the Education of the Handicapped Act are reported a series of informational charts and figures relevant to policy analysts. Two tables displaying the number of children (ages 6-17 and 18-21 during school year 1983-1984) served under P.L. 94-142 by handicapping condition were used as our data source for this chapter. The listing of the number of children served for ages 6-17 and 18-21 by state for each of the handicapping conditions is given in Appendix A.

A number of questions were raised relative to the type of handicapped children that are presently being served during the school years versus the post school years. Over four million handicapped children were served by the State under EHA-B and P.L. 89-313 during the 1983-84 school year. The number of handicapped children served compared to the previous year is quite stable. However, when one examines the data over a time frame of ten years notable shifts are apparent in the categories in which the Nation's handicapped are receiving services. For example, in 1976-1977 969,547 mentally retarded children were served while only 650,534 were served in 1983-84. An example of a substantial increase is noted with the children classified as learning disabled. It is reported that 797,213 learning disabled children were served during the 1976-77 school year while during the 1983-84 school year 1,811,489 were served. The above dramatic examples illustrate a category which has seen a drop of 33 percent of the original number of children served as mentally retarded. On the other hand, the learning disabled category over this same time period shows an increase of 127 percent in the number of children served.

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Summary of State Level Cohort Analyses
(6-17 and 18-21 year olds)

The questions that we wish to address in this chapter focus on the number of children served who are aged 6-17 versus 18-21 for each of the handicapping conditions. What percentages of the 6-17 cohort (by handicapping condition) are being served? This same question was asked of the 18-21 handicapping cohort. The shift in service from the school year cohort to the latter cohort is also examined. The state level data presented in Appendix A were used to calculate percentages of children served by each handicapping condition for each state. This information is summarized in Table 1 for each of the handicapping conditions.

Table 1. Percentage of Youth Served by Handicapping Condition for the 6-17 Cohort as Reported at the State Level during 1983-1984 School Year

| HANDICAPPING CONDITION | MEAN | SD | MIN | MAX | MON |
|----------------------------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| Learning Disabled | 47.28 | 9.69 | 30.37 | 69.17 | 45.85 |
| Speech Impaired | 26.11 | 7.59 | 13.16 | 48.37 | 25.41 |
| Mentally Retarded | 14.88 | 8.09 | 3.38 | 40.01 | 14.12 |
| Emotionally Disturbed | 8.16 | 6.11 | 0.87 | 30.88 | 6.56 |
| Hard of Hearing and Deaf | 1.06 | 0.40 | 0.10 | 2.20 | 1.02 |
| Multi-handicapped | 0.90 | 0.86 | 0.00 | 3.47 | 0.71 |
| Orthopedically Handicapped | 0.90 | 0.48 | 0.00 | 2.50 | 0.80 |
| Other Health Impaired | 0.80 | 0.77 | 0.00 | 3.63 | 0.64 |
| Visually Handicapped | 0.40 | 0.18 | 0.02 | 1.21 | 0.41 |
| Deaf-blind | 0.03 | 0.07 | 0.00 | 0.50 | 0.01 |

SOURCE : Calculated from U. S. Department of Education Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Seventh Annual Report to Congress on the Implementation of the Education of the Handicapped Act, Table 6A4, 1985.

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The results from Table 1 indicate that, on the average, 47 percent of the handicapped children served are in the learning disabled category as reported at the state level. The two handicapping conditions that follow closely were speech impaired (26.1%) and mentally retarded (14.9%). Emotionally disturbed category made up 8.2% of the children served. The remaining categories (hard of hearing, multi-handicapped, orthopedically handicapped, other health impaired, visually impaired, and deaf-blind) made up 1 percent or less of the children served respectively.

The analysis of the percentage of the handicapped children served in the 18-21 cohort are summarized and presented in Table 2. The results reveal that two categories are served with 25 or more percent of the children. These categories were learning disabled (41.1%) and mentally retarded (37.5%). Only two handicapping conditions reported on the average of serving less than 1 percent as represented with the visually handicapped and deaf-blind. The remaining conditions were served between 1 to 10 percent and are represented by the following conditions: Emotionally disturbed (8.4%), multi-handicapped (3.4%), speech impaired (2.5%), hard of hearing and deaf (2.3%), other health impaired (2.1%), and orthopedically handicapped (1.8%).

Table 2. Percentage of Youth Served by Handicapping Condition for the 18-21 Cohort as Reported at the State Level during 1983-1984 School Year

| HANDICAPPING CONDITION | MEAN | SD | MIN | MAX | MDN |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|
| Learning Disabled | 41.12 | 12.60 | 1.24 | 69.07 | 40.77 |
| Speech Impaired | 2.52 | 1.94 | 0.16 | 8.92 | 2.12 |
| Mentally Retarded | 37.53 | 13.80 | 6.53 | 68.85 | 36.71 |
| Emotionally Disturbed | 8.44 | 6.22 | 0.00 | 24.95 | 6.57 |
| Hard of Hearing and Deaf | 2.32 | 1.49 | 0.17 | 7.90 | 1.98 |
| Multi-handicapped | 3.38 | 5.18 | 0.00 | 28.46 | 1.66 |
| Orthopedically Handicapped | 1.80 | 2.68 | 0.00 | 17.73 | 1.25 |
| Other Health Impaired | 2.10 | 6.29 | 0.00 | 45.26 | 0.91 |
| Visually Handicapped | 0.73 | 1.08 | 0.00 | 7.69 | 0.55 |
| Deaf-blind | 0.07 | 1.11 | 0.12 | 0.48 | 0.03 |

SOURCE : Calculated from U. S. Department of Education Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Seventh Annual Report to Congress on the Implementation of the Education of the Handicapped Act, Table 6A5, 1985.

Transitional Shift in Youth Served

A number of key shifts are recognizable from the data when one examines the percentage shift in service from the 6-17 cohort to the 18-21 cohort. These shifts are summarized in Table 3. The category showing the greatest positive shift is mentally retarded (22.6%). This represents shift in some states from 10% less to a state that now serves 41% more than the number of children served during the 6-17 cohort years. The most dramatic drop in youth served is noted for the speech impaired category (-23.6%). All states showed a drop in the percentage of youth served in this category with the range of percentages from -11% to -42%. The handicapping condition which showed the widest range of shift in youth served was learning disabled. On the average, 6.2% less are being served in the learning disabled category. The only other handicapping condition which showed a shift greater than 1% was found for

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the multi-handicapped category. The remainder of the handicapping conditions all showed a shift in youth served that was less than one percent on the average (emotionally disturbed (0.3%), hard of hearing and deaf (1.3%), orthopedically handicapped (.9%), other health impaired (1.3%), visually handicapped (.3%), and deaf-blind (.1%).

Table 3. Mean Percentage Shift in the Number of Youth Served by Handicapping Condition for the 6-17 Cohort Compared with the 18-21 Cohort

| HANDICAPPING CONDITION | MEAN | SD | MIN | MAX | MDN |
|----------------------------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| Learning Disabled | -6.16 | 10.69 | -50.26 | 24.38 | -6.34 |
| Speech Impaired | -23.59 | 6.86 | -42.49 | -11.04 | -22.71 |
| Mentally Retarded | 22.65 | 9.61 | -10.41 | 40.79 | 23.98 |
| Emotionally Disturbed | 0.28 | 3.42 | -9.36 | 9.33 | 0.19 |
| Hard of Hearing and Deaf | 1.26 | 1.39 | -1.10 | 6.54 | 1.01 |
| Multi-handicapped | 2.48 | 4.79 | -0.54 | 25.87 | 0.93 |
| Orthopedically Handicapped | 0.90 | 2.59 | -1.62 | 16.78 | 0.40 |
| Other Health Impaired | 1.30 | 6.27 | -0.35 | 44.79 | 0.15 |
| Visually Handicapped | 0.33 | 0.96 | -0.18 | 6.48 | 0.11 |
| Deaf-blind | 0.04 | 0.13 | -0.50 | 0.47 | 0.02 |

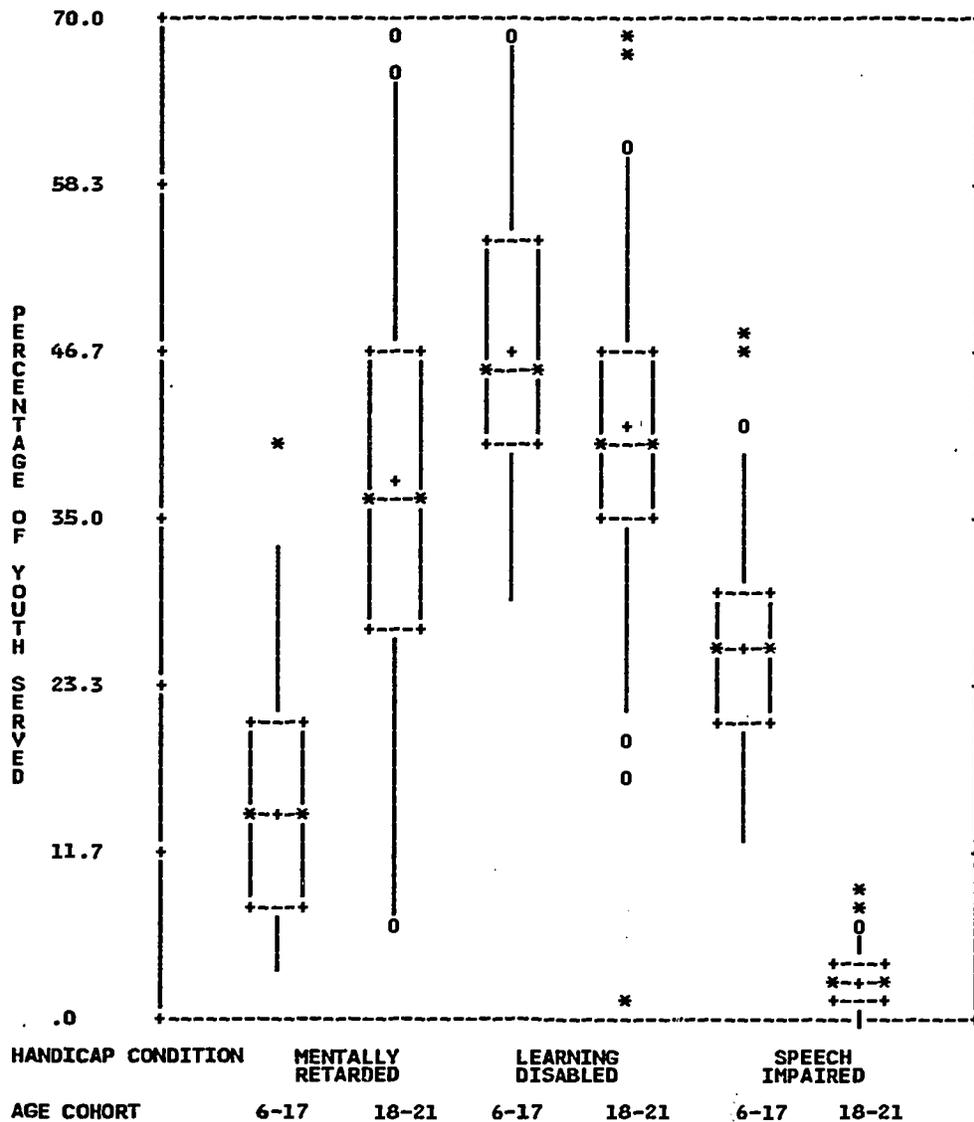
SOURCE : Calculated from U. S. Department of Education Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Seventh Annual Report to Congress on the Implementation of the Education of the Handicapped Act, Table 6A4 and 6A5, 1985.

The three conditions which showed the greatest percentage shift in youth served between the two cohorts are illustrated in Figure 1. Box plots on the percentage of youth served are given for the mentally retarded, learning disabled and speech impaired categories with the 6-17 and 18-21 age cohorts. From Figure 1, it is quite apparent that the shift that occurred for the mentally retarded condition is positive while the shift for the speech impaired is quite negative. The middle box plot show a slight decline for the learning disabled condition. What is clear from the displays is that there has been a major shift in the youth

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served for the mentally retarded and speech impaired conditions.

Figure 1. Box Plot of Percentage Youth Served on Three Handicapping Conditions for the 6-17 and 18-21 Cohorts



SOURCE : Calculated from U. S. Department of Education Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Seventh Annual Report to Congress on the Implementation of the Education of the Handicapped Act, Table 6A4 and 6A5, 1985.

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Future cohort analyses with a more specific age cohort for the high school years would clarify these apparent shifts noted in the transition years. A recommendation would be that the states present their data for the school years in two age levels. Reports on youth served by two age levels would allow for more specific analyses to be conducted with a greater understanding of the percentage of youth being served in the transition years occurring. Significant trends over time, if observed, would clearly indicate the possible effects of various transition efforts imposed by federal legislation.

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Chapter III

Profiles of the Handicapped Sample in High School & Beyond

To be considered handicapped in the High School and Beyond sample students would have had to indicate (in self-administered questionnaires) that they had any of six specific handicapping conditions. In addition, they could have reported a condition that limited the kinds or amount of work or education they could do, if they had participated in special programs for the physically or educationally handicapped, or if they had taken advantage of benefits from the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation.

With these broad possibilities, HSB has a sample consisting of approximately 38% handicapped youth. The sample of handicapped youth tended to report their own handicapping conditions in a unique fashion. Fifty percent reported having a handicapping condition one of two years surveyed, while eleven percent consistently reported in both years (1980 & 1982). Furthermore, students in the sample had an opportunity in both the 1980 and 1982 survey to select more than one handicapping condition. In response to the sample question, "do you have any of the following conditions?", handicapped respondents chose to select more than one condition 38.3% of the time.

With this in mind, what do we know about the students who identified themselves as handicapped in HSB?

When comparing young adults with handicaps with their nonhandicapped peers, the self-reported handicapped students were more likely to be male (51.3%), while their nonhandicapped peers were more likely to be female (51.6%). Although the handicapped cohort was predominately white (55.5%), proportionately more young adults of Hispanic descent, American Indians, and Asians, were found in the self-reported handicap categories. There was a substantial difference between handicapped and nonhandicapped students with regard to socio-economic status (SES) as measured in quartiles. Students reporting handicapping conditions were

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over-represented in the lowest two quartiles (54.5%) while nonhandicapped students were somewhat evenly distributed between the four quartiles. Dropout rates for handicapped students were greater than for nonhandicapped, 21.7% vs. 18.6%, respectively. The horizontal percentage bar charts in Figures 2 through 5 depict some of these salient differences in the handicapped and nonhandicapped samples.

Figure 2. Profile of Gender by Handicap Status

| HANDICAP STATUS | GENDER | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|-----------------|--------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| NONHANDICAP | MALE | 4376 | 4376 | 48.36 | 48.36 |
| | FEMALE | 4673 | 9049 | 51.64 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP | MALE | 2901 | 2901 | 51.32 | 51.32 |
| | FEMALE | 2752 | 5653 | 48.68 | 100.00 |

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Figure 3. Profile of Ethnicity by Handicap Status

| HANDICAP STATUS | ETHNICITY | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|-----------------|-----------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| NONHANDICAP | HISPANIC | 1837 | 1837 | 20.41 | 20.41 |
| | AM INDIAN | 146 | 1983 | 1.62 | 22.03 |
| | ASIAN | 236 | 2219 | 2.62 | 24.66 |
| | BLACK | 1284 | 3503 | 14.27 | 38.92 |
| | WHITE | 5497 | 9000 | 61.08 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP | HISPANIC | 1414 | 1414 | 25.08 | 25.08 |
| | AM INDIAN | 146 | 1560 | 2.59 | 27.67 |
| | ASIAN | 194 | 1754 | 3.44 | 31.12 |
| | BLACK | 753 | 2507 | 13.36 | 44.47 |
| | WHITE | 3130 | 5637 | 55.53 | 100.00 |

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10 20 30 40 50 60
PERCENTAGE

Figure 4. Profile of Socio-Economic Status in Quartiles by Handicap Status

| HANDICAP STATUS | SES IN QUARTILES | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|-----------------|------------------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| NONHANDICAP | LOWESTQ | 2310 | 2310 | 26.50 | 26.50 |
| | SECONDQ | 2006 | 4316 | 23.01 | 49.51 |
| | THIRDQ | 2174 | 6490 | 24.94 | 74.45 |
| | HIGHESTQ | 2227 | 8717 | 25.55 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP | LOWESTQ | 1660 | 1660 | 30.13 | 30.13 |
| | SECONDQ | 1341 | 3001 | 24.34 | 54.47 |
| | THIRDQ | 1271 | 4272 | 23.07 | 77.55 |
| | HIGHESTQ | 1237 | 5509 | 22.45 | 100.00 |

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5 10 15 20 25 30
PERCENTAGE

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Each ethnic group had its own unique representation according to handicapping condition as illustrated in Figure 7. Students of Hispanic descent were 30.6% of the learning disabled, 32.7% of the hearing impaired, 37.8% of the speech impaired, and 23.75% of the health impaired. Blacks were 19.3% of the health impaired. Finally, concerning the ethnic distinctions, whites were found more frequently in the visually impaired (63.4%) and orthopedically impaired (69.3%) categories.

Figure 7. Profile of Ethnicity by Handicapping Condition

| HANDICAPPING CONDITION | ETHNICITY | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|------------------------|-----------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| LEARNING DISABLED | HISPANIC | 99 | 99 | 30.56 | 30.56 |
| | AM INDIAN | 18 | 117 | 5.56 | 36.11 |
| | ASIAN | 16 | 133 | 4.94 | 41.05 |
| | BLACK | 41 | 174 | 12.65 | 53.70 |
| | WHITE | 150 | 324 | 46.30 | 100.00 |
| VISUALLY IMPAIRED | HISPANIC | 379 | 379 | 20.80 | 20.80 |
| | AM INDIAN | 43 | 422 | 2.36 | 23.16 |
| | ASIAN | 70 | 492 | 3.84 | 27.00 |
| | BLACK | 175 | 667 | 9.60 | 36.61 |
| | WHITE | 1155 | 1822 | 63.39 | 100.00 |
| HEARING IMPAIRED | HISPANIC | 122 | 122 | 32.71 | 32.71 |
| | AM INDIAN | 14 | 136 | 3.75 | 36.46 |
| | ASIAN | 7 | 143 | 1.88 | 38.34 |
| | BLACK | 39 | 182 | 10.46 | 48.79 |
| | WHITE | 191 | 373 | 51.21 | 100.00 |
| SPEECH IMPAIRED | HISPANIC | 87 | 87 | 37.83 | 37.83 |
| | AM INDIAN | 9 | 96 | 3.91 | 41.74 |
| | ASIAN | 10 | 106 | 4.35 | 46.09 |
| | BLACK | 38 | 144 | 16.52 | 62.61 |
| | WHITE | 86 | 230 | 37.39 | 100.00 |
| ORTHO IMPAIRED | HISPANIC | 33 | 33 | 19.88 | 19.88 |
| | AM INDIAN | 1 | 34 | 0.60 | 20.48 |
| | ASIAN | 2 | 36 | 1.20 | 21.69 |
| | BLACK | 15 | 51 | 9.04 | 30.72 |
| | WHITE | 115 | 166 | 69.28 | 100.00 |
| HEALTH IMPAIRED | HISPANIC | 218 | 218 | 23.75 | 23.75 |
| | AM INDIAN | 20 | 238 | 2.18 | 25.93 |
| | ASIAN | 25 | 263 | 2.72 | 28.65 |
| | BLACK | 177 | 440 | 19.28 | 47.93 |
| | WHITE | 478 | 918 | 52.07 | 100.00 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

With regard to SES, as illustrated in Figure 8, individuals with specific learning disabilities, hearing, speech, and other health impaired individuals were found

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predominately in the lower two SES quartiles (67.7%, 60.8%, 55.2%, and 57.7%, respectively). The handicapping conditions most associated with the top two SES quartiles were visual and orthopedic impairments (51.7% and 51.0%, respectively).

Figure 8. Profile of Socio-Economic Status in Quartiles by Handicapping Condition

| HANDICAPPING CONOITION | SES IN QUARTILES | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT | |
|------------------------|------------------|-------|-----------|---------|--------------|--------|
| LEARNING OISABLED | LOWESTQ | ***** | 132 | 132 | 42.58 | 42.58 |
| | SECONOQ | ***** | 78 | 210 | 25.16 | 67.74 |
| | THIRDQ | ***** | 55 | 265 | 17.74 | 85.48 |
| | HIGHESTQ | ***** | 45 | 310 | 14.52 | 100.00 |
| VISUALLY IMPAIRED | LOWESTQ | ***** | 416 | 416 | 22.92 | 22.92 |
| | SECONOQ | ***** | 461 | 877 | 25.40 | 48.32 |
| | THIRDQ | ***** | 473 | 1350 | 26.06 | 74.38 |
| | HIGHESTQ | ***** | 465 | 1815 | 25.62 | 100.00 |
| HEARING IMPAIRED | LOWESTQ | ***** | 134 | 134 | 37.02 | 37.02 |
| | SECONOQ | ***** | 86 | 220 | 23.76 | 60.77 |
| | THIRDQ | ***** | 74 | 294 | 20.44 | 81.22 |
| | HIGHESTQ | ***** | 68 | 362 | 18.78 | 100.00 |
| SPEECH IMPAIRED | LOWESTQ | ***** | 82 | 82 | 36.94 | 36.94 |
| | SECONOQ | ***** | 63 | 145 | 28.38 | 65.32 |
| | THIRDQ | ***** | 52 | 197 | 23.42 | 88.74 |
| | HIGHESTQ | ***** | 25 | 222 | 11.26 | 100.00 |
| ORTHO IMPAIREO | LOWESTQ | ***** | 33 | 33 | 20.37 | 20.37 |
| | SECONOQ | ***** | 30 | 63 | 18.52 | 38.89 |
| | THIRDQ | ***** | 44 | 107 | 27.16 | 66.05 |
| | HIGHESTQ | ***** | 55 | 162 | 33.95 | 100.00 |
| HEALTH IMPAIRED | LOWESTQ | ***** | 307 | 307 | 34.23 | 34.23 |
| | SECONOQ | ***** | 211 | 518 | 23.52 | 57.75 |
| | THIRDQ | ***** | 185 | 703 | 20.62 | 78.37 |
| | HIGHESTQ | ***** | 194 | 897 | 21.63 | 100.00 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

The graduation status for each handicapping condition is given in Figure 9. Young adults with the following handicapping conditions dropped out of high school at a higher rate than was anticipated: specific learning disabilities, hearing, speech, and other health impairments. Individuals with specific learning disabilities dropped out at a rate of 37%, hearing impaired students dropped out at a rate of 28%, followed by the speech impaired at 24%. Only the categories of visual and orthopedic impairments had

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higher than expected graduation rates in the sample (85.1% and 80.9%, respectively). The dropout rates for the sample could certainly be underestimates of the attrition problem since the initial data gathering was begun with sophomores in the Spring of 1980 and the follow-up with seniors in the Spring of 1982. This means that some members of the Class of 1982 had dropped out prior to the first survey and some failed to complete their senior year. Therefore, the rates are most likely conservative estimates of the scope of the problem for all youth, but especially handicapped young adults.

Figure 9. Profile of Graduation Status by Handicapping Conditions

| HANDICAPPING CONDITION | GRADUATION STATUS | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|------------------------|-------------------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| LEARNING DISABLED | DROPOUT | 116 | 116 | 36.59 | 36.59 |
| | GRADUATE | 201 | 317 | 63.41 | 100.00 |
| VISUAL IMPAIRED | DROPOUT | 268 | 268 | 14.90 | 14.90 |
| | GRADUATE | 1531 | 1799 | 85.10 | 100.00 |
| HEARING IMPAIRED | DROPOUT | 105 | 105 | 28.30 | 28.30 |
| | GRADUATE | 266 | 371 | 71.70 | 100.00 |
| SPEECH IMPAIRED | DROPOUT | 53 | 53 | 23.35 | 23.35 |
| | GRADUATE | 174 | 227 | 76.65 | 100.00 |
| ORTHO IMPAIRED | DROPOUT | 31 | 31 | 19.14 | 19.14 |
| | GRADUATE | 131 | 162 | 80.86 | 100.00 |
| HEALTH IMPAIRED | DROPOUT | 231 | 231 | 25.47 | 25.47 |
| | GRADUATE | 676 | 907 | 74.53 | 100.00 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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Chapter IV

Educational Achievement and Attainment of Nonhandicapped and Handicapped Youth in High School and Beyond

High School and Beyond is a valuable resource on the educational achievement and characteristics of self-reported handicapped youth. In addition, the documentation and extensive surveying of dropouts provides a basis for previously undocumented national perspectives on the characteristics of those students who do not graduate. Chapters IV and V review educationally relevant outcomes involved in educating handicapped youth. The following information will be presented on educational outcomes according to handicapped vs. nonhandicapped status and by six handicapping conditions -- high school participation, graduation status, hours spent per week on homework, high school grade point average, test composite scores that include achievement scores in vocabulary, reading and mathematics, and participation in post-secondary education. In addition, educational outcomes are also examined by graduation status to provide more comparative information.

Type of High School Program

Those students enrolled in an academic curriculum were more likely than those in other curricula to continue their education beyond high school (not depicted in these tables). A majority of students in High School and Beyond reported that they were enrolled in academic type programs, yet there were distinct patterns reported for the special groups under study. Nonhandicapped youth were more likely to be enrolled in academic (48.91%) and general education (27.10%) programs, while handicapped youth were more often enrolled in academic (44.45%) and vocational programs (30.95%). This contrast can be seen graphically in Figure 10.

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Figure 10. Profile of Percent Enrollment in High School Programs by Handicap Status

| HANDICAP STATUS | HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|-----------------|---------------------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| NONHANDICAP | GENERAL | 2445 | 2445 | 27.10 | 27.10 |
| | ACADEMIC | 4413 | 6858 | 48.91 | 76.01 |
| | VOCATIONAL | 2165 | 9023 | 23.99 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP | GENERAL | 1388 | 1388 | 24.60 | 24.60 |
| | ACADEMIC | 2508 | 3896 | 44.45 | 69.05 |
| | VOCATIONAL | 1746 | 5642 | 30.95 | 100.00 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

When handicap status was combined with graduation status to produce handicapped and nonhandicapped graduate and dropout groups a noteworthy change occurred in the high school program enrollment data. In both handicapped and nonhandicapped groups, dropouts more frequently enrolled in general and vocational programs. Figure 11 graphically illustrates the groups defined by handicap and graduation status by high school program.

Figure 11. Profile of Enrollment in High School Program by Nonhandicap & Handicap Graduates and Dropouts

| HANDICAP-GRADUATION STATUS | HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|----------------------------|---------------------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| NONHANDICAP DROP | GENERAL | 801 | 801 | 48.69 | 48.69 |
| | ACADEMIC | 266 | 1067 | 16.17 | 64.86 |
| | VOCATIONAL | 578 | 1645 | 35.14 | 100.00 |
| NONHANDICAP GRAD | GENERAL | 1601 | 1601 | 22.05 | 22.05 |
| | ACADEMIC | 4097 | 5698 | 56.42 | 78.47 |
| | VOCATIONAL | 1563 | 7261 | 21.53 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP DROPOUT | GENERAL | 457 | 457 | 37.93 | 37.93 |
| | ACADEMIC | 188 | 645 | 15.60 | 53.53 |
| | VOCATIONAL | 560 | 1205 | 46.47 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP GRADUATE | GENERAL | 909 | 909 | 20.86 | 20.86 |
| | ACADEMIC | 2287 | 3196 | 52.48 | 73.34 |
| | VOCATIONAL | 1162 | 4358 | 26.66 | 100.00 |

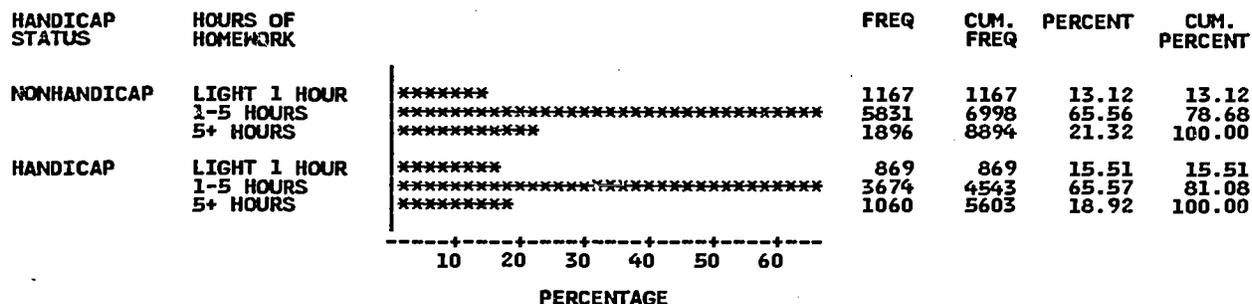
SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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Time (in hours) Spent on Homework per Week

Literature on effective schools indicates that homework is a means of extending students' opportunities to learn. Homework can contribute to improved student achievement by providing needed feedback and monitoring of student's progress. In addition, homework develops independent work habits, encourages responsibility, refines study skills, and provides an opportunity for creativity. Overall, the purposes of homework at the secondary level seek not only to extend learning, but also to provide opportunities for application of that learning. Figure 12 depicts the number of hours devoted to homework per week by handicapped status. The handicapped students report spending less time per week on homework than their nonhandicapped peers (18.92% vs. 21.32%, respectively in the category "5+ hours").

Figure 12. Profile of Hours Spent on Homework per Week by Handicap Status



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

A horizontal bar chart displays the hours spent per week by nonhandicapped and handicapped graduates and dropouts. In Figure 13, dropouts spend dramatically less time per week on homework than do their graduate peers in both the handicap and nonhandicap groups.

Figure 13. Profile of Hours Spent on Homework per Week by Handicap and Graduation Status

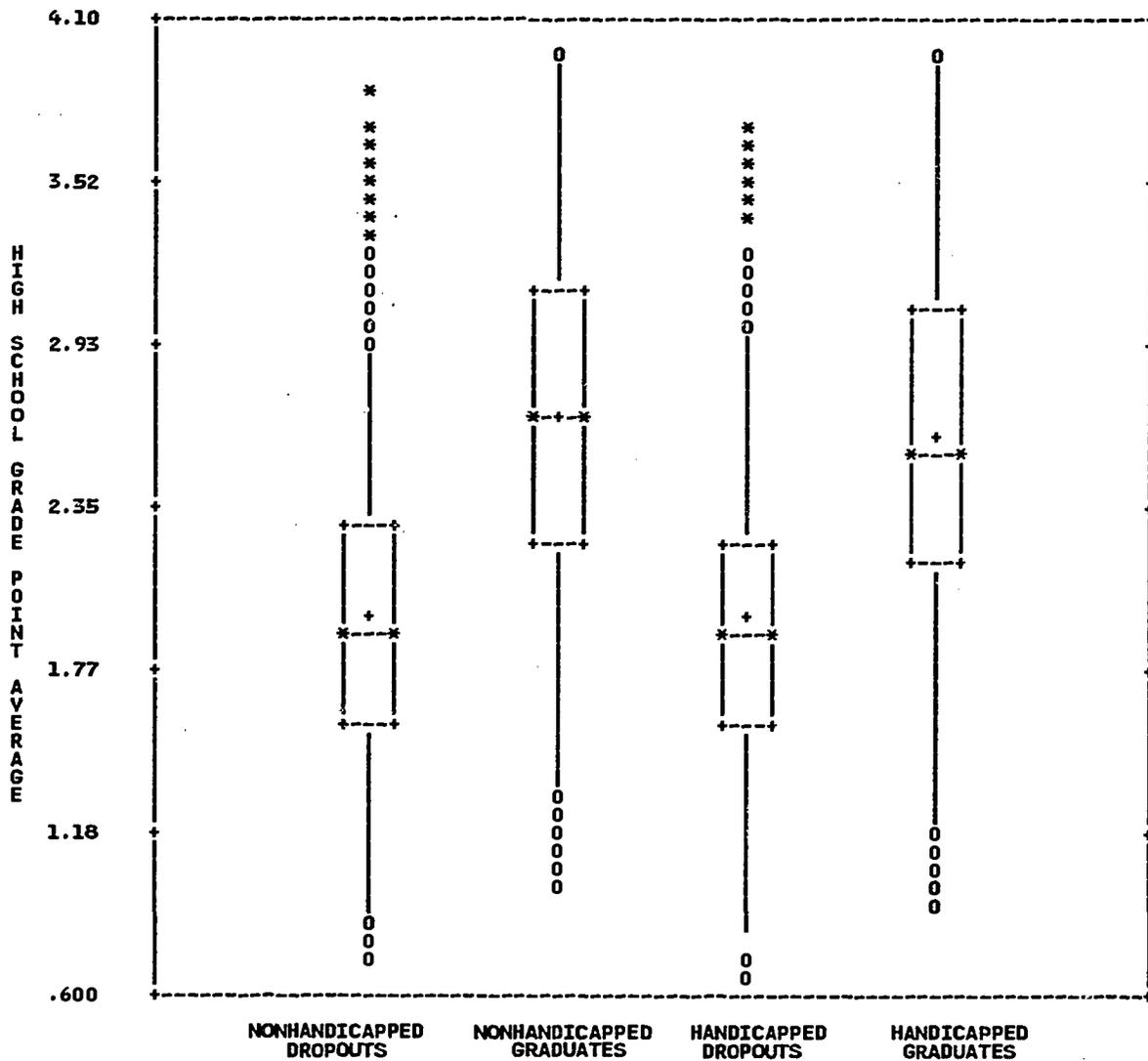
| HANDICAP-GRADUATION STATUS | HOURS OF HOMEWORK | | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| NONHANDICAP DROP | LIGHT 1 HOUR | ***** | 559 | 559 | 37.07 | 37.07 |
| | 1-5 HOURS | ***** | 746 | 1305 | 49.47 | 86.54 |
| | 5+ HOURS | ***** | 203 | 1508 | 13.46 | 100.00 |
| NONHANDICAP GRAD | LIGHT 1 HOUR | *** | 587 | 587 | 8.07 | 8.07 |
| | 1-5 HOURS | ***** | 5016 | 5603 | 69.00 | 77.07 |
| | 5+ HOURS | ***** | 1667 | 7270 | 22.93 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP DROPOUT | LIGHT 1 HOUR | ***** | 436 | 436 | 37.52 | 37.52 |
| | 1-5 HOURS | ***** | 578 | 1014 | 49.74 | 87.26 |
| | 5+ HOURS | ***** | 148 | 1162 | 12.74 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP GRADUATE | LIGHT 1 HOUR | **** | 408 | 408 | 9.36 | 9.36 |
| | 1-5 HOURS | ***** | 3049 | 3457 | 69.92 | 79.27 |
| | 5+ HOURS | ***** | 904 | 4361 | 20.73 | 100.00 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

High School Grade Point Average

Box plots of high school grade point average, as given in Figure 14, clearly differentiate among the four groups as defined by handicap and graduation status. Note that high school grade point averages vary mostly according to graduation status, with only a slight difference noticeable in the scores as a function of handicap status. High school grade point average (GPA) was based on a 4-point scale and was computed from courses, credits, and grades shown on the high school transcript obtained as part of the 1982 HSB Transcript Survey.

Figure 14. Box Plot of High School Grade Point Average by Handicapped and Nonhandicapped Graduates and Dropouts.



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

The remainder of this chapter contains separate tables and figures with Exhibit notes to aid the reader in interpretation of the displays.

Table 4. High School Grade Point Average for High School Program by Handicap Status and High School Graduation Status

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE | | | | HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| GENERAL | DROPOUT | 584 | 1.90 | 0.49 | 4.6 | 347 | 1.91 | 0.51 | 2.7 |
| | GRADUATE | 1447 | 2.50 | 0.56 | 11.4 | 812 | 2.45 | 0.58 | 6.4 |
| ACADEMIC | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 186 | 2.16 | 0.61 | 1.5 | 140 | 2.06 | 0.56 | 1.1 |
| | GRADUATE | 3749 | 2.82 | 0.60 | 29.4 | 2120 | 2.79 | 0.61 | 16.6 |
| VOCTEC | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 443 | 1.92 | 0.53 | 3.5 | 428 | 1.90 | 0.51 | 3.4 |
| | GRADUATE | 1416 | 2.43 | 0.55 | 11.1 | 1063 | 2.36 | 0.53 | 8.3 |
| TOTAL | | 7825 | 2.56 | 0.65 | 61.4 | 4910 | 2.48 | 0.66 | 38.6 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

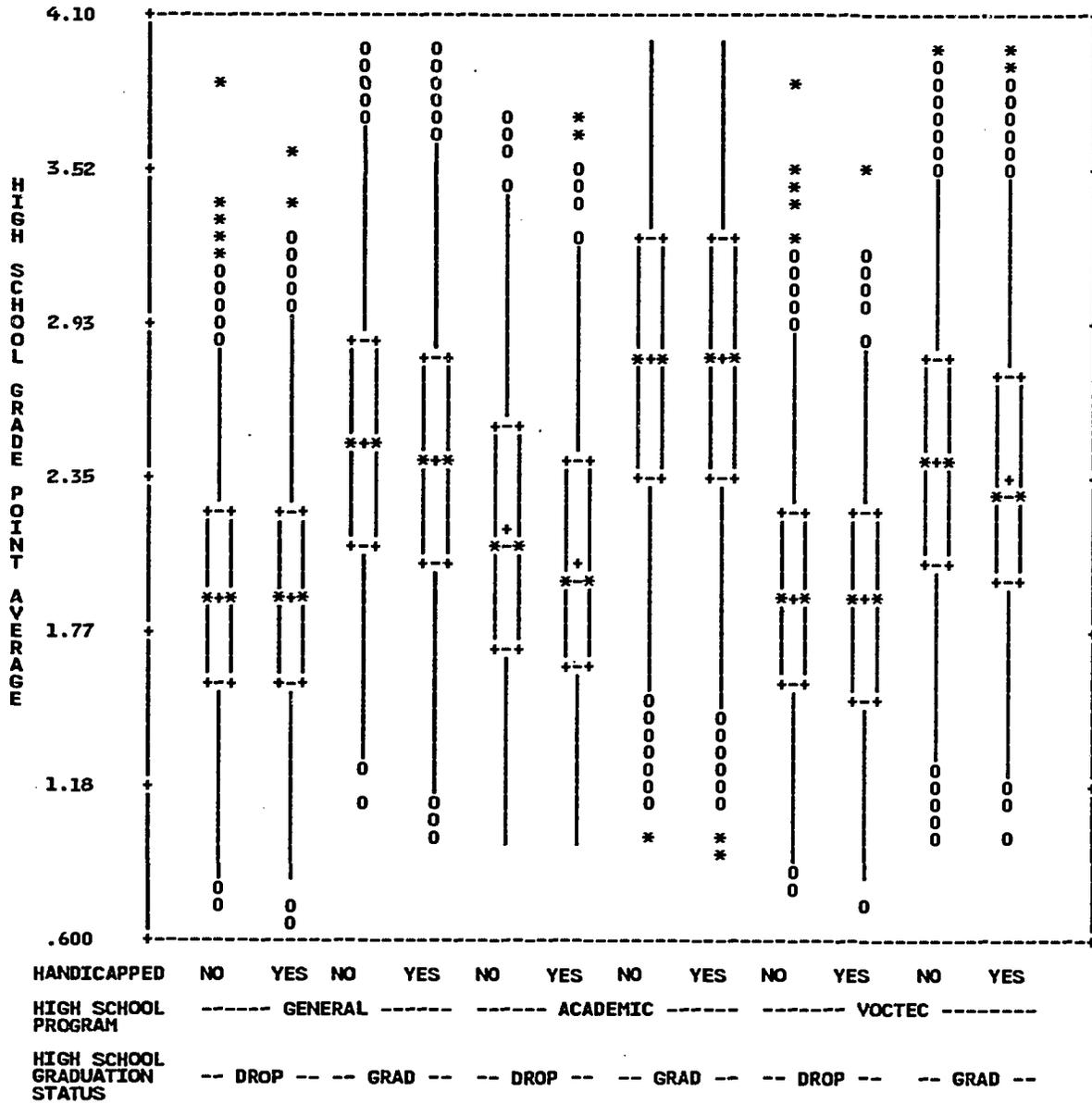
EXHIBIT for Table 4 and Figure 15:

Handicapped students earned lower grade point averages than did their nonhandicapped peers. In addition, the dropouts, regardless of handicap status, received lower grade point averages than did graduates.

There were distinct patterns of participation in the three high school program types with regard to grade point average. Youth in the academic program received the highest grade point averages. General education students received slightly higher grade point averages when compared to vocational education students.

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Figure 15. Box Plot of High School Grade Point Average for High School Program Type by Handicap Status and High School Graduation Status



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

Table 5. High School Grade Point Average for High School Community Type by Handicap Status and High School Graduation Status

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE | | | | HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY TYPE | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| URBAN | DROPOUT | 355 | 1.87 | 0.56 | 2.8 | 265 | 1.86 | 0.50 | 2.1 |
| | GRADUATE | 1488 | 2.55 | 0.62 | 11.7 | 839 | 2.49 | 0.60 | 6.6 |
| SUBURBAN | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 527 | 1.97 | 0.51 | 4.1 | 367 | 1.94 | 0.50 | 2.9 |
| | GRADUATE | 3553 | 2.68 | 0.59 | 27.8 | 2053 | 2.62 | 0.61 | 16.1 |
| RURAL | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 341 | 1.99 | 0.54 | 2.7 | 288 | 1.99 | 0.56 | 2.3 |
| | GRADUATE | 1579 | 2.74 | 0.61 | 12.4 | 1108 | 2.67 | 0.64 | 8.7 |
| TOTAL | | 7843 | 2.56 | 0.65 | 61.5 | 4920 | 2.48 | 0.66 | 38.5 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

EXHIBIT for Table 5 and Figure 16:

Grade point averages tended to be higher for students in rural school types, followed by suburban and urban communities with the lowest. This was true for both handicapped and nonhandicapped graduates and dropouts.

The urban schools had the students with the lowest high school grade point averages.

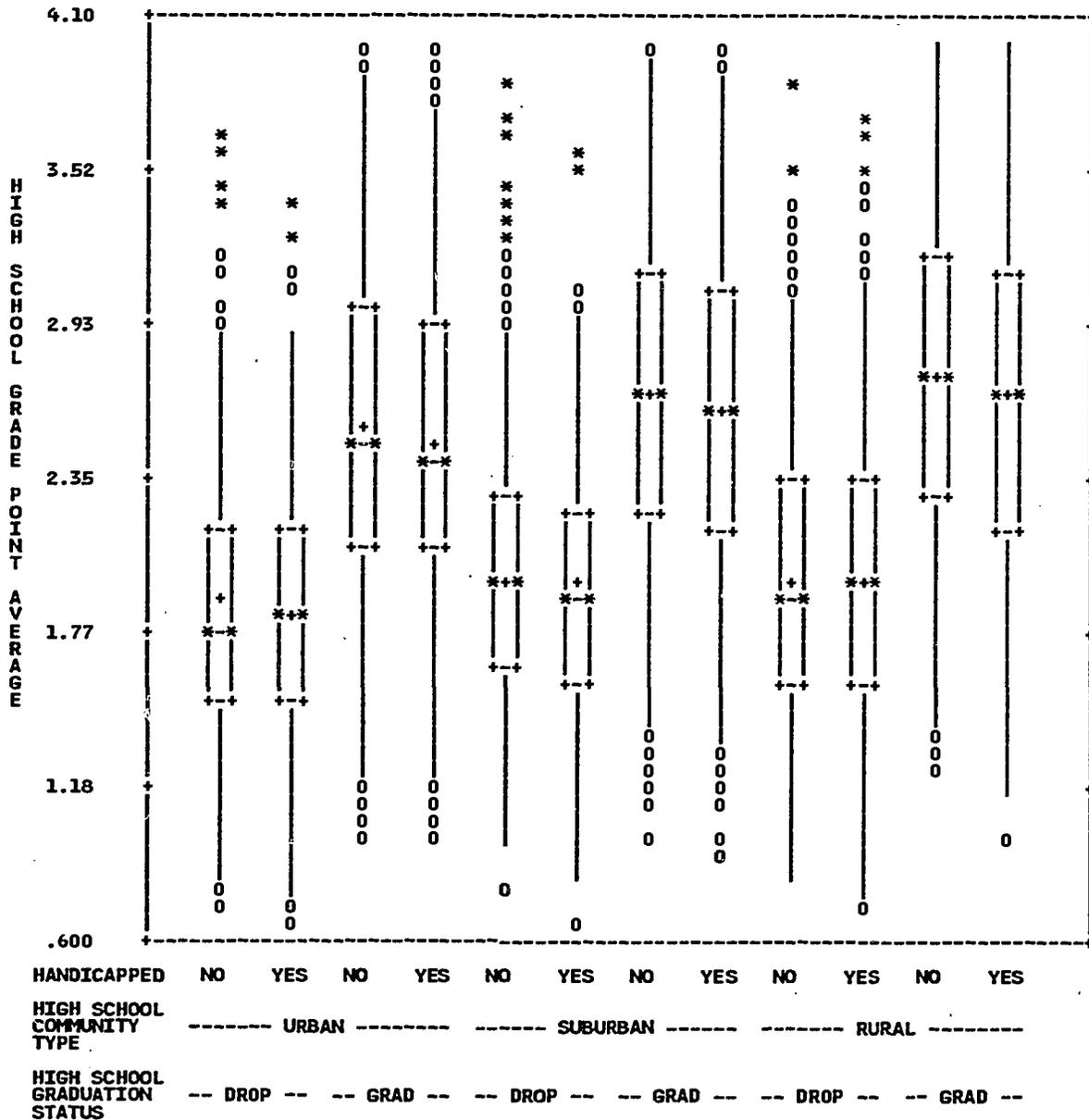
Handicapped students received slightly lower grade point averages than their nonhandicapped counterparts.

For both nonhandicapped and handicapped, females earned higher grade point averages than males. (Not depicted in this table).

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There appears to be similar differences in earned grade point averages between dropouts and graduates across community types. Regardless of handicap status, graduates reported higher grade point averages than did dropouts.

Figure 16. Box Plot of High School Grade Point Average for High School Community Type by Handicap Status and High School Graduation Status



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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Table 6. High School Grade Point Average for Ethnicity by Handicap Status and High School Graduation Status

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|-----------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------|-------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--------|-------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE | | | | HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| ETHNICITY | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| HISPANIC | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 295 | 1.94 | 0.57 | 2.3 | 257 | 1.93 | 0.53 | 2.0 |
| | GRADUATE | 1266 | 2.53 | 0.60 | 10.0 | 922 | 2.44 | 0.60 | 7.3 |
| AM INDIAN | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | * 22 | * 2.01 | *0.47 | 0.2 | 31 | 1.97 | 0.43 | 0.2 |
| | GRADUATE | 99 | 2.56 | 0.62 | 0.8 | 94 | 2.42 | 0.54 | 0.7 |
| ASIAN | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | * 13 | * 2.32 | *0.48 | 0.1 | * 10 | * 2.10 | *0.47 | 0.1 |
| | GRADUATE | 203 | 3.04 | 0.57 | 1.6 | 161 | 2.88 | 0.64 | 1.3 |
| BLACK | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 187 | 1.78 | 0.46 | 1.5 | 144 | 1.80 | 0.45 | 1.1 |
| | GRADUATE | 865 | 2.44 | 0.59 | 6.8 | 480 | 2.39 | 0.55 | 3.8 |
| WHITE | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 692 | 1.99 | 0.53 | 5.4 | 473 | 1.96 | 0.54 | 3.7 |
| | GRADUATE | 4165 | 2.74 | 0.60 | 32.8 | 2338 | 2.70 | 0.61 | 18.4 |
| TOTAL | | 7807 | 2.56 | 0.65 | 61.4 | 4910 | 2.48 | 0.66 | 38.6 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

NOTE: * Cells with fewer than 25 observations should be interpreted with caution.

EXHIBIT for Table 6:

Graduates consistently earned higher grade point averages than did dropouts. Only small differences in earned grade point average were seen between handicapped and nonhandicapped groups in the sample.

Asian-Americans and Whites earned the highest average grade point averages, while Blacks and students of Hispanic descent received the lowest average grade point averages.

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Table 7. High School Grade Point Average for High School Type by Handicap Status and High School Graduation Status

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE | | | | HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL TYPE | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| PUBLIC | DROPOUT | 1174 | 1.94 | 0.53 | 9.2 | 887 | 1.93 | 0.52 | 6.9 |
| | GRADUATE | 4918 | 2.68 | 0.61 | 38.5 | 3055 | 2.60 | 0.61 | 23.9 |
| PRIVATE | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 49 | 2.05 | 0.61 | 0.4 | 33 | 1.94 | 0.55 | 0.3 |
| | GRADUATE | 1702 | 2.65 | 0.59 | 13.3 | 945 | 2.61 | 0.62 | 7.4 |
| TOTAL | | 7843 | 2.56 | 0.65 | 61.5 | 4920 | 2.48 | 0.66 | 38.5 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

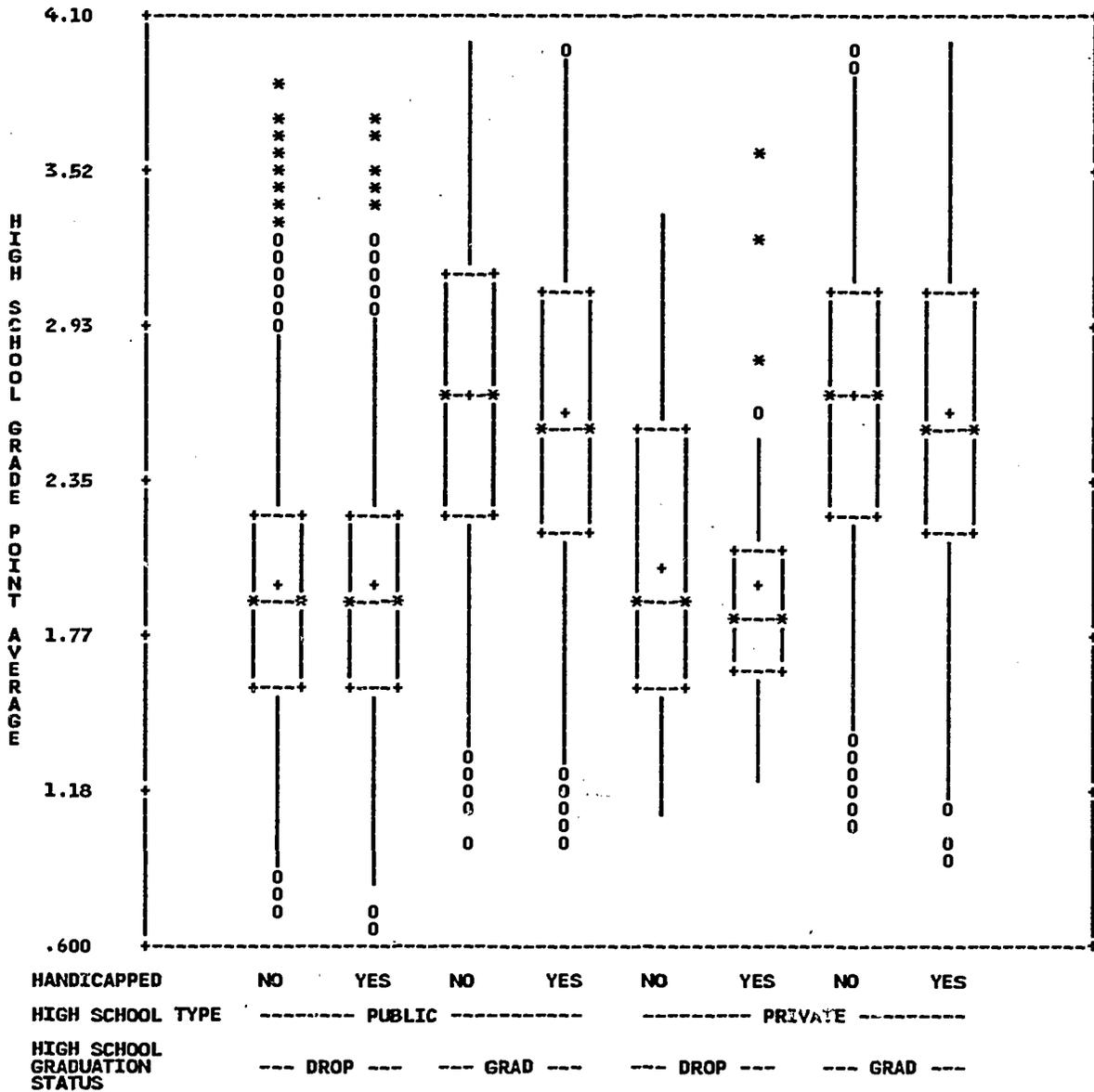
EXHIBIT for Table 7 and Figure 17:

Nonhandicapped youth had slightly higher grade point averages when compared to handicapped youth.

Nonhandicapped and handicapped dropouts earned distinctly lower grade point averages compared to their graduate counterparts in both public and private schools.

Comparison of earned grade point averages between public and private schools revealed no substantial differences, with the exception that nonhandicapped dropouts had a higher grade point averages in the private school settings.

Figure 17. Box Plot of High School Grade Point Average for High School Type by Handicap Status and High School Graduation Status



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Table 8. High School Grade Point Average for High School Program by Handicap Status and Gender

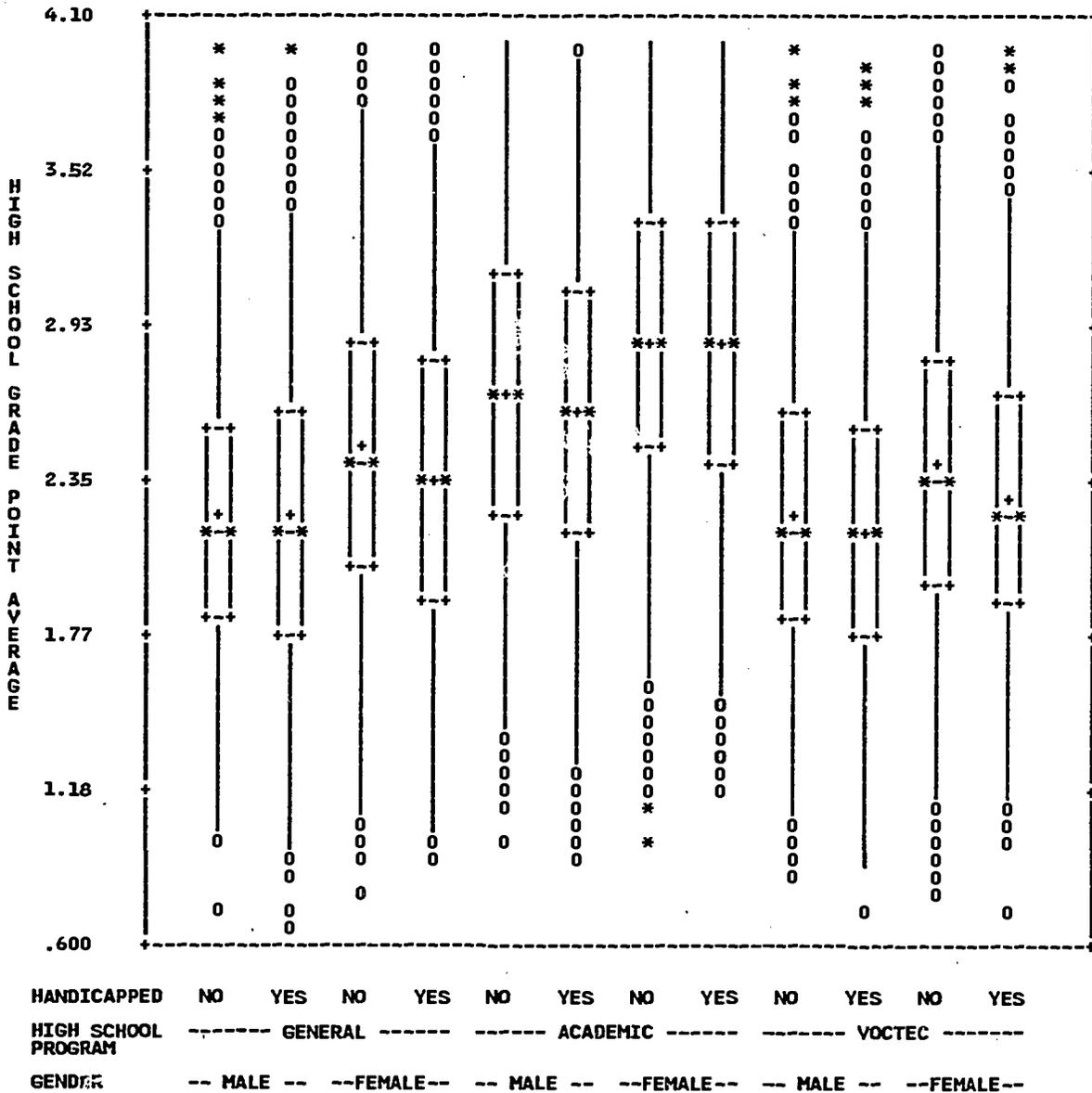
| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|--------|---------------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE | | | | HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| GENERAL | MALE | 1058 | 2.20 | 0.56 | 8.3 | 620 | 2.20 | 0.59 | 4.8 |
| | FEMALE | 988 | 2.46 | 0.62 | 7.7 | 549 | 2.38 | 0.63 | 4.3 |
| ACADEMIC | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 1864 | 2.69 | 0.62 | 14.5 | 1149 | 2.64 | 0.64 | 9.0 |
| | FEMALE | 2093 | 2.88 | 0.60 | 16.3 | 1125 | 2.85 | 0.61 | 8.8 |
| VOCTEC | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 892 | 2.19 | 0.55 | 7.0 | 771 | 2.16 | 0.55 | 6.0 |
| | FEMALE | 978 | 2.41 | 0.61 | 7.6 | 734 | 2.29 | 0.58 | 5.7 |
| TOTAL | | 7873 | 2.55 | 0.65 | 61.4 | 4948 | 2.48 | 0.66 | 38.6 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

EXHIBIT for Table 8 and Figure 18:

Regardless of handicap status, females earned higher grade point averages than the males across all program types. Students in vocational education programs received the lowest grade point averages of all program types.

Figure 18. Box Plot of High School Grade Point Average for High School Program by Handicap Status and Gender



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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Table 9. High School Grade Point Average for High School Type by Handicap Status and Gender

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|------------------|--------|---------------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE | | | | HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL TYPE | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| PUBLIC | MALE | 3030 | 2.41 | 0.64 | 23.6 | 2059 | 2.36 | 0.65 | 16.0 |
| | FEMALE | 3101 | 2.65 | 0.66 | 24.1 | 1916 | 2.54 | 0.66 | 14.9 |
| PRIVATE | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 794 | 2.52 | 0.61 | 6.2 | 488 | 2.47 | 0.60 | 3.8 |
| | FEMALE | 966 | 2.72 | 0.59 | 7.5 | 495 | 2.70 | 0.64 | 3.9 |
| TOTAL | | 7891 | 2.55 | 0.65 | 61.4 | 4958 | 2.48 | 0.66 | 38.6 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

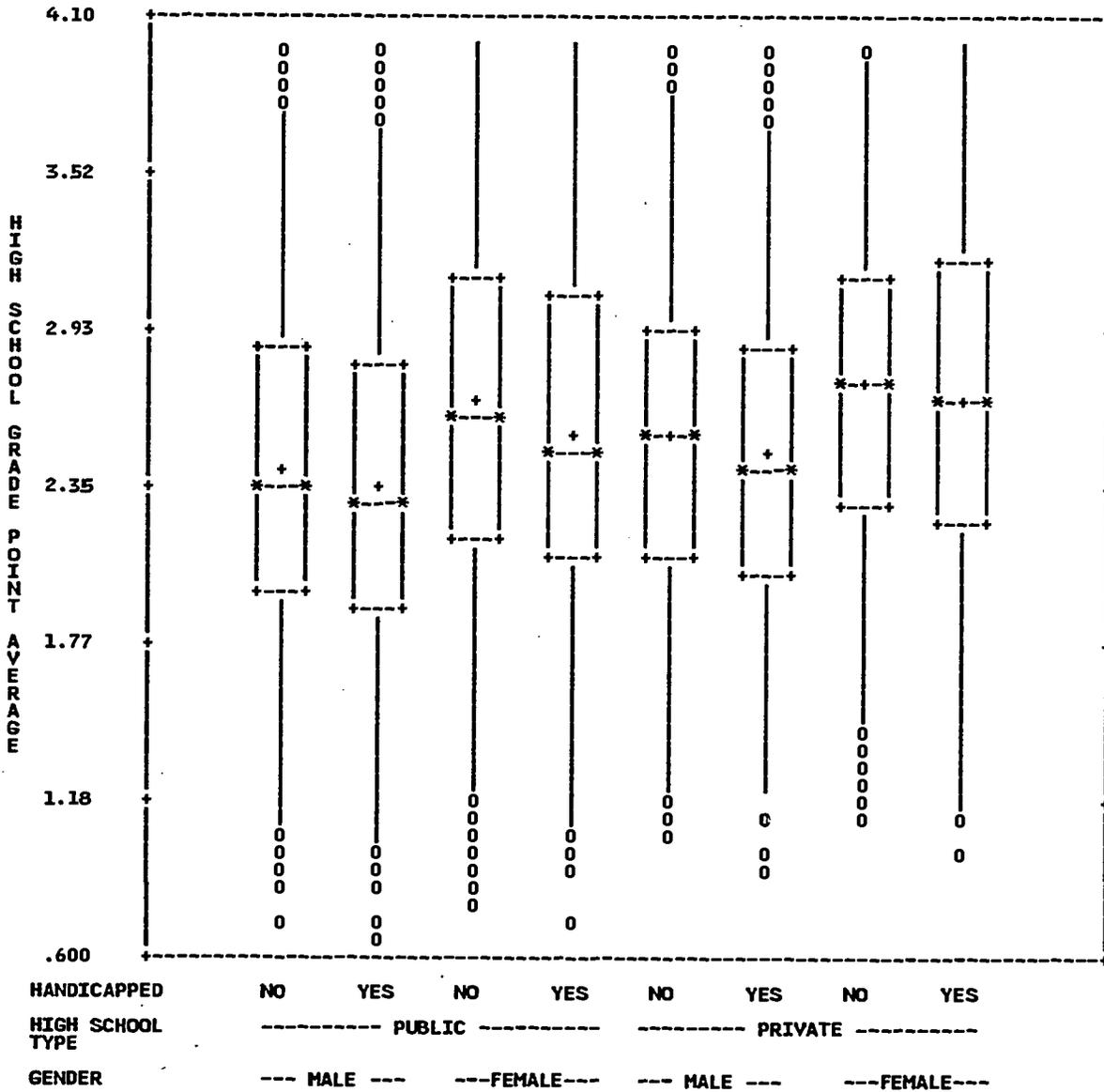
EXHIBIT for Table 9 and Figure 19:

For both nonhandicapped and handicapped young adults in both public and private high schools, females in the sample had, on the average, higher grade point averages than their male peers.

Handicapped young adults received lower grade point averages than the nonhandicapped sample.

Young adults from private high schools earned higher grade point averages than public school enrollees.

Figure 19. Box Plot of High School Grade Point Average for High School Type by Handicap Status and Gender



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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Test Composite Patterns

The National Center for Education Statistics created an equally weighted composite of scores on standardized vocabulary, reading, and mathematics tests contained in the High School and Beyond study. The test composite quartile distribution patterns are illustrated in Figure 20 for the handicap versus nonhandicap sample. Nonhandicapped students were more frequently found in the second (23.00%), third (28.72%), and highest (27.70%) quartiles, while handicapped test takers were commonly found in the lowest quartile (30.17%).

Figure 20. Profile of Test Composite in Quartiles by Handicap Status

| HANDICAP STATUS | SES IN QUARTILES | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|-----------------|------------------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| NONHANDICAP | LOWESTQ | 1817 | 1817 | 20.57 | 20.57 |
| | SECONDQ | 2032 | 3849 | 23.00 | 43.58 |
| | THIRDQ | 2537 | 6386 | 28.72 | 72.30 |
| | HIGHESTQ | 2447 | 8833 | 27.70 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP | LOWESTQ | 1678 | 1678 | 30.17 | 30.17 |
| | SECONDQ | 1195 | 2873 | 21.49 | 51.65 |
| | THIRDQ | 1286 | 4159 | 23.12 | 74.78 |
| | HIGHESTQ | 1403 | 5562 | 25.22 | 100.00 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

A similar pattern was seen in the comparison of nonhandicapped and handicapped dropouts and graduates on test composite quartile distributions as illustrated in Figure 21. Nonhandicapped and handicapped dropouts were found in the lowest quartiles approximately 48% and 58% of the time respectively, while nonhandicapped and handicapped graduates were clustered more frequently in the higher quartiles.

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Figure 21. Profile of Test Composite in Quartiles by Handicap and Graduation Status

| HANDICAP-GRADUATION STATUS | SES IN QUARTILES | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT | |
|----------------------------|------------------|-------|-----------|---------|--------------|--------|
| NONHANDICAP DROP | LOWESTQ | ***** | 755 | 755 | 47.63 | 47.63 |
| | SECONDQ | ***** | 493 | 1248 | 31.10 | 78.74 |
| | THIRDQ | ***** | 252 | 1500 | 15.90 | 94.64 |
| | HIGHESTQ | *** | 85 | 1585 | 5.36 | 100.00 |
| NONHANDICAP GRAD | LOWESTQ | ***** | 1028 | 1028 | 14.39 | 14.39 |
| | SECONDQ | ***** | 1510 | 2538 | 21.14 | 35.54 |
| | THIRDQ | ***** | 2259 | 4797 | 31.63 | 67.17 |
| | HIGHESTQ | ***** | 2345 | 7142 | 32.83 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP DROPOUT | LOWESTQ | ***** | 681 | 681 | 57.96 | 57.96 |
| | SECONDQ | ***** | 268 | 949 | 22.81 | 80.77 |
| | THIRDQ | ***** | 168 | 1117 | 14.30 | 95.06 |
| | HIGHESTQ | ** | 58 | 1175 | 4.94 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP GRADUATE | LOWESTQ | ***** | 963 | 963 | 22.34 | 22.34 |
| | SECONDQ | ***** | 911 | 1874 | 21.13 | 43.47 |
| | THIRDQ | ***** | 1103 | 2977 | 25.59 | 69.06 |
| | HIGHESTQ | ***** | 1334 | 4311 | 30.94 | 100.00 |

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 10 20 30 40 50
 PERCENTAGE

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

Figure 22 provides the box plots for test composite by handicap and graduation status. Highest scores were obtained by the nonhandicapped graduates, followed by handicapped graduates, nonhandicapped dropouts, and handicapped dropouts.

Table 10. Test Composite for High School Program by Handicap Status and High School Graduation Status

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|-------|------|-------------------------|----------------|-------|------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| GENERAL | DROPOUT | 759 | 44.28 | 6.26 | 5.4 | 441 | 44.40 | 6.89 | 3.1 |
| | GRADUATE | 1561 | 49.58 | 7.40 | 11.0 | 892 | 48.48 | 8.22 | 6.3 |
| ACADEMIC | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 258 | 47.80 | 8.79 | 1.8 | 186 | 45.41 | 8.47 | 1.3 |
| | GRADUATE | 4045 | 55.80 | 7.68 | 28.5 | 2267 | 55.38 | 8.46 | 16.0 |
| VOCTEC | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 558 | 42.43 | 6.12 | 3.9 | 544 | 40.72 | 6.52 | 3.8 |
| | GRADUATE | 1525 | 47.21 | 7.42 | 10.8 | 1147 | 45.16 | 7.71 | 8.1 |
| TOTAL | | 8706 | 51.08 | 8.80 | 61.4 | 5477 | 49.44 | 9.60 | 38.6 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

EXHIBIT for Table 10 and Figure 23:

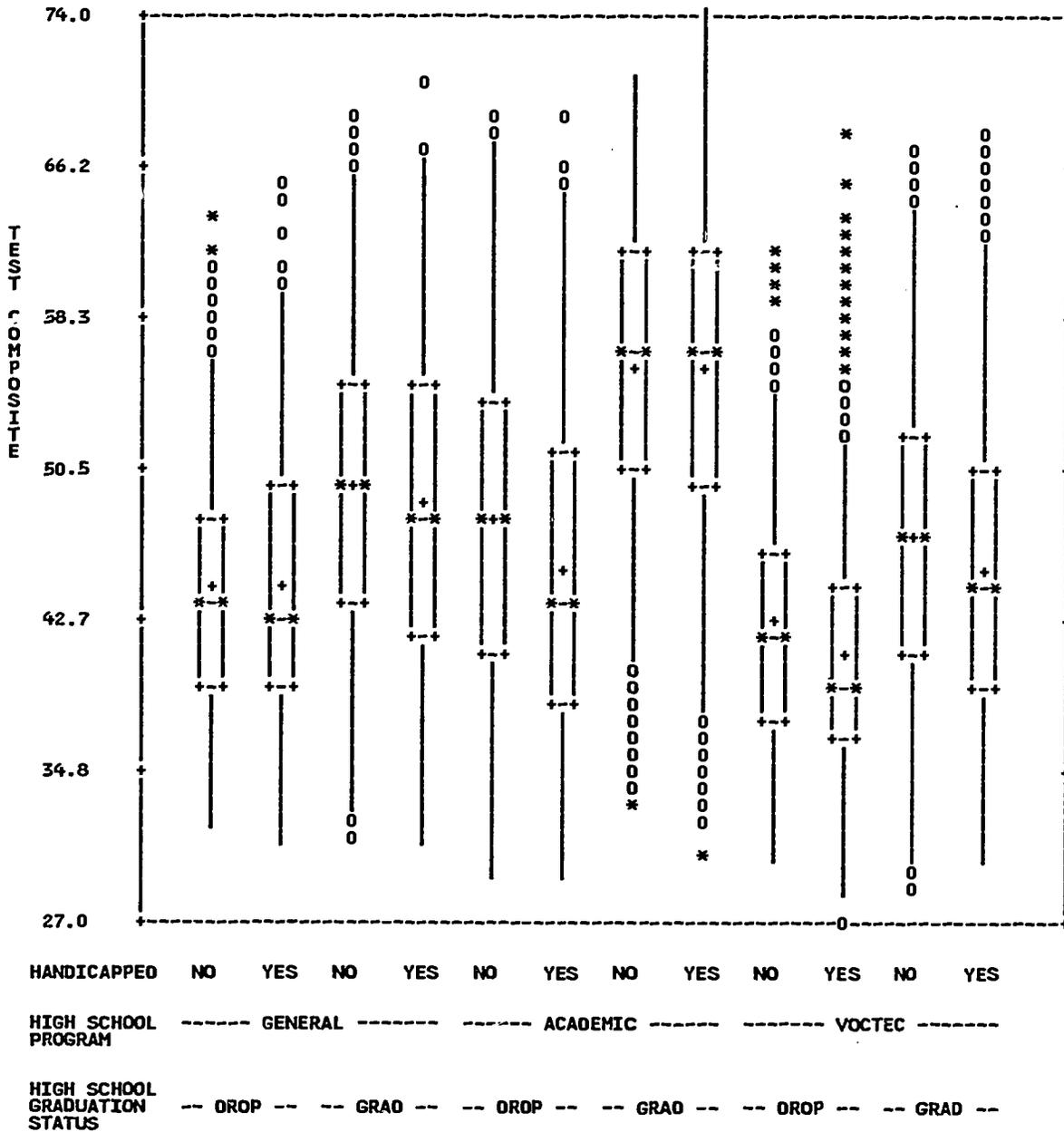
In most cases, handicapped and nonhandicapped youth differed with regard to test score composite with the exception of graduates of academic programs. Those students who identified themselves as handicapped received lower test scores than their nonhandicapped counterparts.

Additionally, the test scores differed between high school program types. Those with a concentration in academic programs scored the highest, followed by general education, with vocational education students scoring the lowest of the three groups.

Regardless of handicap status, graduates consistently had higher test scores than did dropouts in each of the three high school programs.

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Figure 23. Box Plot of Test Composite for High School Program by Handicap and High School Graduation Status



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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Table 11. Test Composite by High School Community Type, Handicap and High School Graduation Status

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|-------|------|-------------------------|----------------|-------|------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY TYPE | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| URBAN | DROPOUT | 486 | 43.09 | 6.76 | 3.4 | 372 | 41.58 | 6.86 | 2.6 |
| | GRADUATE | 1621 | 51.20 | 8.54 | 11.4 | 915 | 49.41 | 9.43 | 6.4 |
| SUBURBAN | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 663 | 45.16 | 7.09 | 4.7 | 453 | 43.96 | 7.65 | 3.2 |
| | GRADUATE | 3827 | 53.41 | 8.34 | 26.9 | 2207 | 52.39 | 9.22 | 15.5 |
| RURAL | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 436 | 43.90 | 6.65 | 3.1 | 350 | 42.73 | 7.02 | 2.5 |
| | GRADUATE | 1694 | 52.06 | 8.37 | 11.9 | 1169 | 50.41 | 9.36 | 8.4 |
| TOTAL | | 8727 | 51.06 | 8.81 | 61.4 | 5486 | 49.42 | 9.61 | 38.6 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

EXHIBIT for Table 11 and Figure 24:

For both nonhandicapped and handicapped youth, test scores were highest in the suburban school districts.

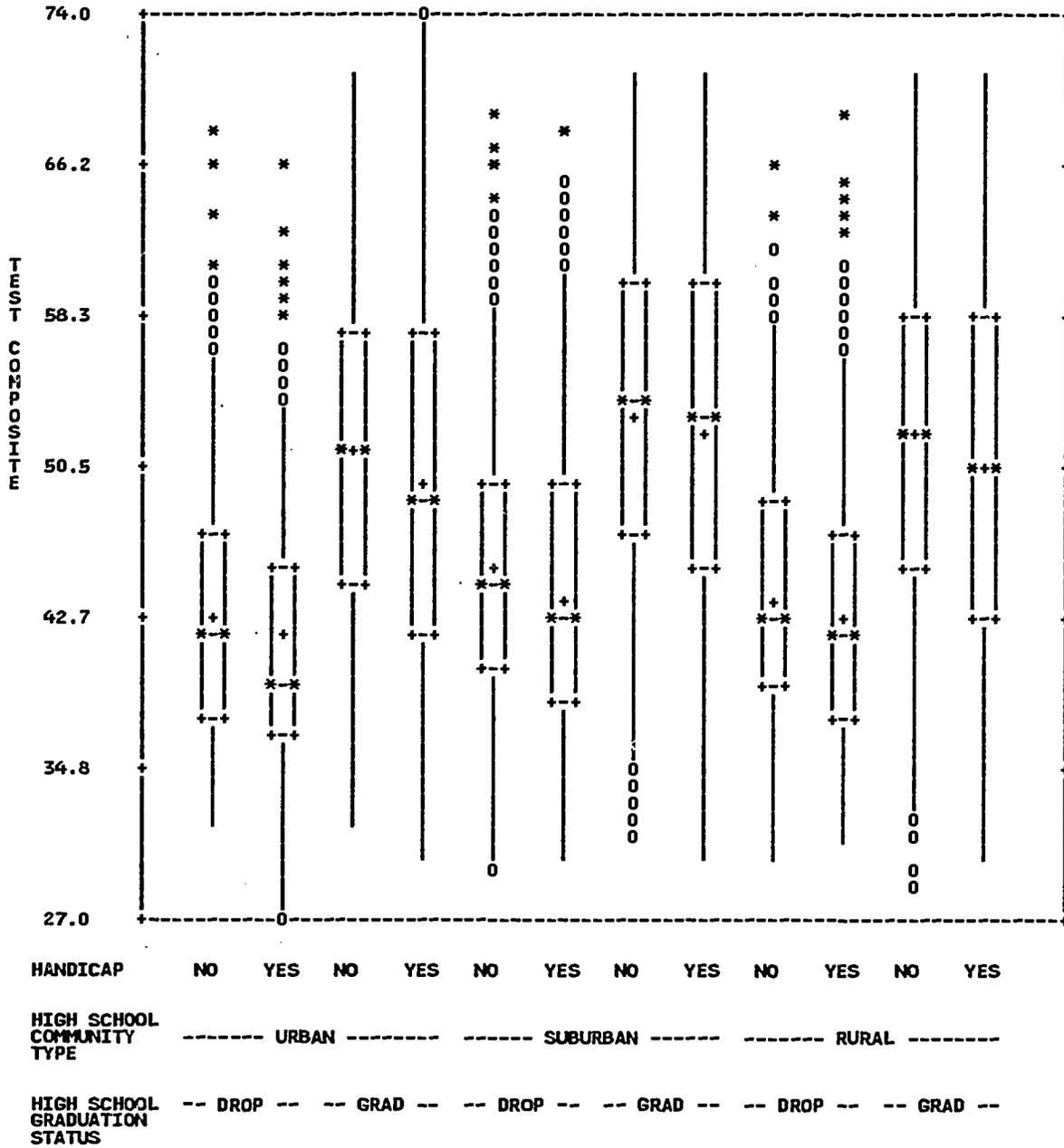
Across all community types, test scores were lower for handicapped youth when compared to nonhandicapped youth.

Nonhandicapped graduates from suburban schools had the highest test scores while handicapped dropouts from urban schools received the lowest test scores.

In a majority of cases, males received higher test scores than females. The only exception was for handicapped females from rural areas. They scored slightly higher than handicapped males from the rural communities. (Not depicted in this table).

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Figure 24. Box Plot of Test Composite by High School Community Type, Handicap Status, and Graduation Status



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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Table 12. Test Composite by Ethnicity, Handicap Status, and High School Graduation Status

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|-----------|-------------------------------|-----------------|--------|-------|-------------------------|----------------|--------|-------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| ETHNICITY | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| HISPANIC | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 368 | 41.81 | 6.18 | 2.6 | 345 | 40.37 | 6.20 | 2.4 |
| | GRADUATE | 1396 | 49.28 | 8.58 | 9.9 | 1015 | 47.15 | 9.16 | 7.2 |
| AM INDIAN | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 30 | 44.47 | 6.00 | 0.2 | 38 | 42.04 | 6.21 | 0.3 |
| | GRADUATE | 108 | 49.22 | 8.23 | 0.8 | 102 | 44.72 | 8.52 | 0.7 |
| ASIAN | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | * 19 | *47.28 | *7.08 | 0.1 | * 14 | *44.62 | *8.29 | 0.1 |
| | GRADUATE | 209 | 53.55 | 8.86 | 1.5 | 172 | 52.47 | 10.10 | 1.2 |
| BLACK | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 264 | 41.27 | 6.19 | 1.9 | 197 | 39.72 | 5.59 | 1.4 |
| | GRADUATE | 952 | 49.04 | 7.90 | 6.7 | 534 | 46.89 | 8.76 | 3.8 |
| WHITE | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 892 | 45.96 | 6.89 | 6.3 | 573 | 45.45 | 7.52 | 4.0 |
| | GRADUATE | 4456 | 54.44 | 7.90 | 31.5 | 2481 | 54.01 | 8.45 | 17.5 |
| TOTAL | | 8694 | 51.08 | 8.81 | 61.4 | 5471 | 49.44 | 9.61 | 38.6 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

NOTE: * Cells with fewer than 25 observations should be interpreted with caution.

EXHIBIT for Table 12:

Nonhandicapped youth scored higher on the test composite than their handicapped peers.

In all cases, graduates scored higher on the test composite than their dropout peers.

Blacks, American Indians and Hispanics scored the lowest on the test composite when compared to Asians and Whites in the sample.

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Table 13. Test Composite by High School Type, Handicap Status, and High School Graduation Status

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|-------|------|-------------------------|----------------|-------|------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL TYPE | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| PUBLIC | DROPOUT | 1506 | 44.00 | 6.80 | 10.6 | 1121 | 42.68 | 7.22 | 7.9 |
| | GRADUATE | 5301 | 51.87 | 8.56 | 37.3 | 3289 | 50.27 | 9.43 | 23.1 |
| PRIVATE | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 79 | 47.58 | 8.24 | 0.6 | 54 | 46.12 | 7.77 | 0.4 |
| | GRADUATE | 1841 | 54.67 | 7.73 | 13.0 | 1022 | 54.25 | 8.55 | 7.2 |
| TOTAL | | 8727 | 51.06 | 8.81 | 61.4 | 5486 | 49.42 | 9.61 | 38.6 |

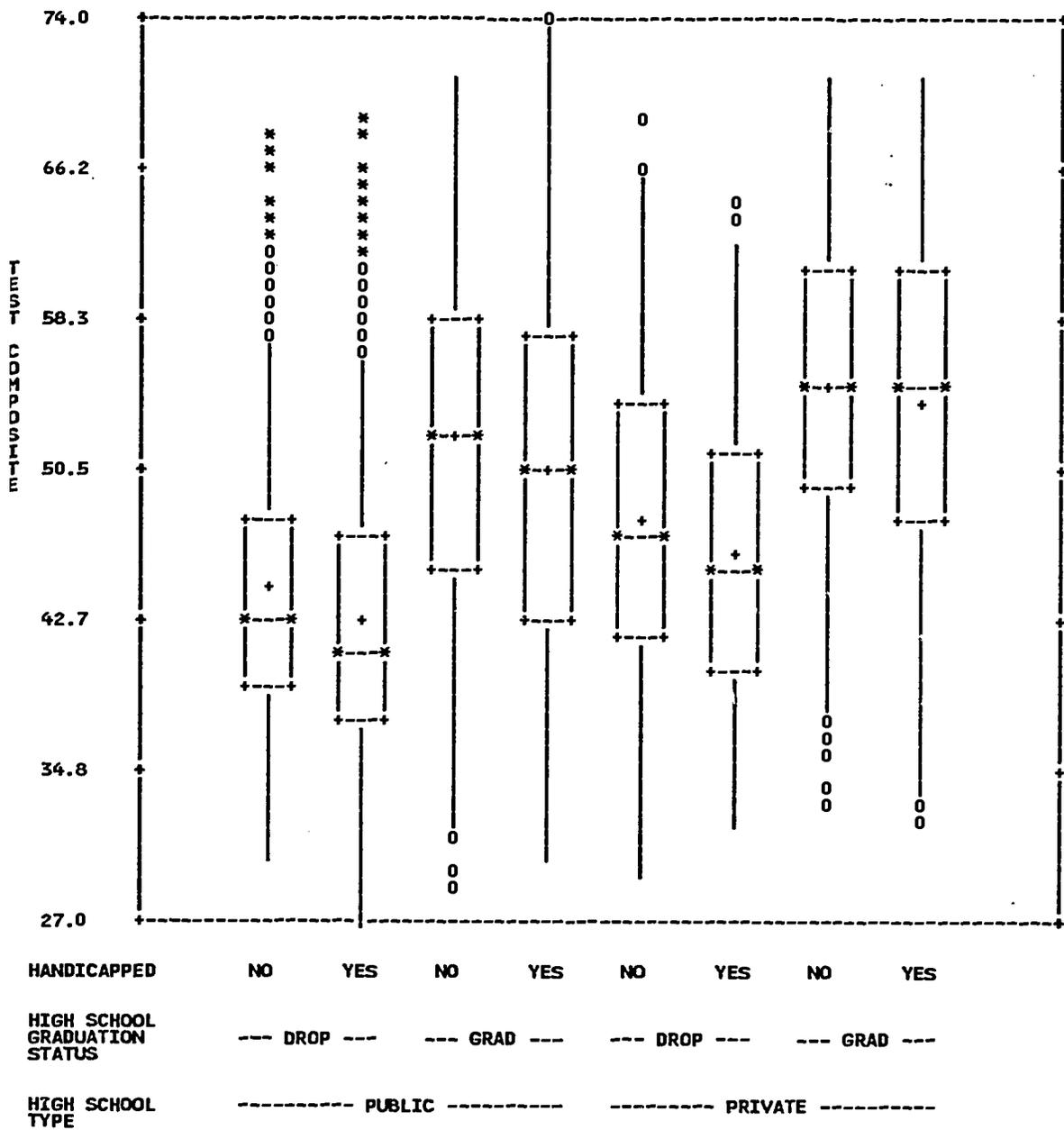
SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

EXHIBIT for Table 13 and Figure 25:

In all cases, handicapped young adults scored lower on the test composite when compared to their nonhandicapped counterparts.

Dropouts, regardless of handicap status, scored lower than did their graduate peers. A dropout from a private high school scored higher on the test composite than a dropout from a public high school.

Figure 25. Box Plot of Test Composite by High School Type, Handicap Status, and High School Graduation Status



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores



Table 14. Test Composite by High School Program, Handicap Status, and Gender

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|---------|-----------------|-------|------|-------------------------|----------------|-------|------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | GENERAL | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 1204 | 48.51 | 7.46 | 8.4 | 712 | 47.41 | 8.03 | 5.0 |
| | FEMALE | 1153 | 47.07 | 7.43 | 8.0 | 642 | 46.87 | 8.02 | 4.5 |
| ACADEMIC | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 2038 | 56.27 | 7.85 | 14.2 | 1240 | 55.12 | 8.88 | 8.6 |
| | FEMALE | 2312 | 54.40 | 8.01 | 16.1 | 1246 | 53.97 | 8.84 | 8.7 |
| VOCTEC | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 999 | 46.16 | 7.35 | 7.0 | 895 | 43.80 | 7.83 | 6.2 |
| | FEMALE | 1106 | 45.65 | 7.43 | 7.7 | 817 | 43.59 | 7.44 | 5.7 |
| TOTAL | | 8812 | 51.04 | 8.80 | 61.3 | 5552 | 49.40 | 9.60 | 38.7 |

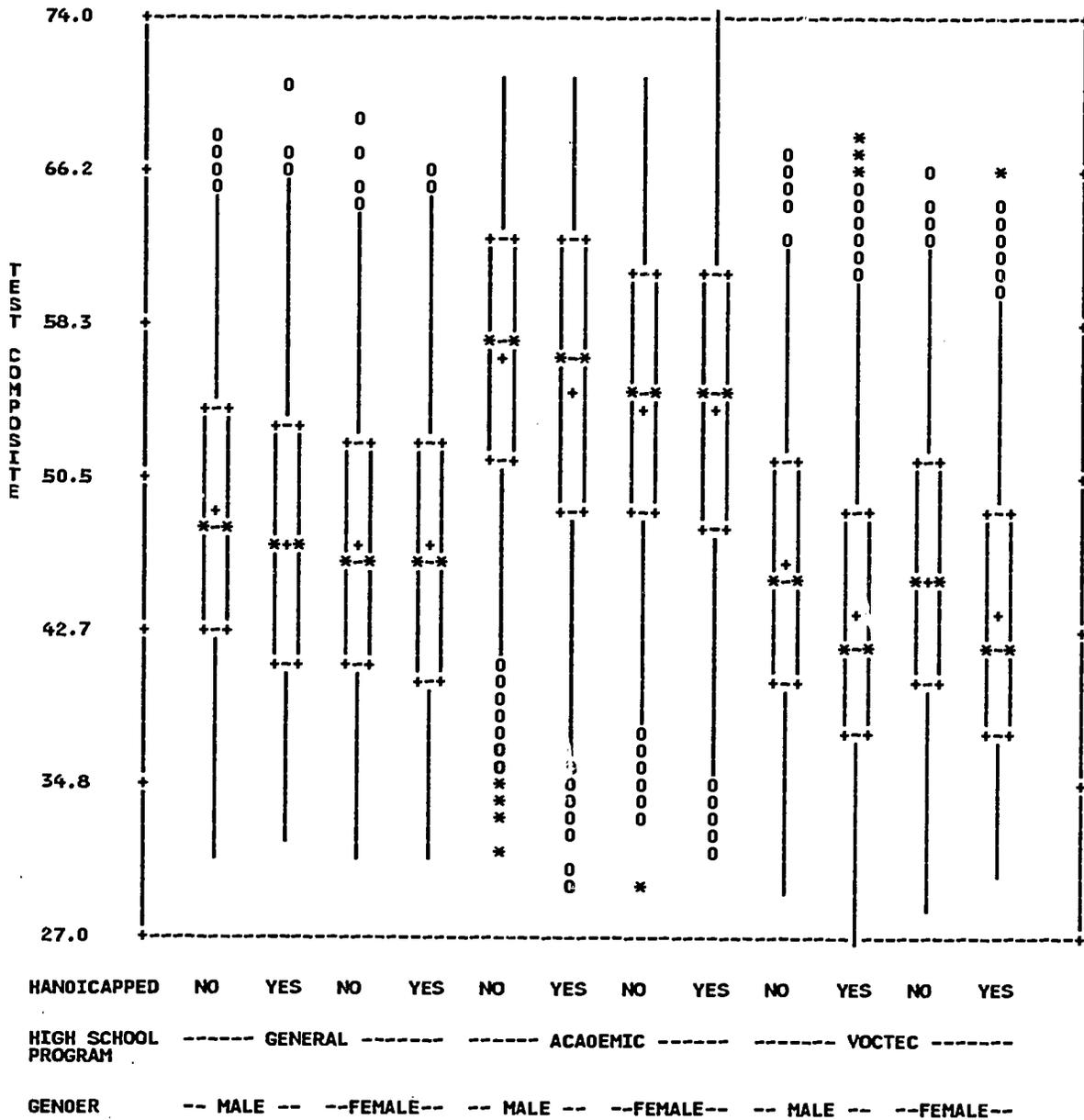
SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

EXHIBIT for Table 14 and Figure 26:

Males, regardless of handicap status, scored higher on the test composite. Furthermore, males and females in academic programs scored higher than general and vocational education program students.

In academic and general education programs only small differences were seen between handicapped and nonhandicapped students. The greatest disparity in test scores appeared to be between nonhandicapped and handicapped students in the vocational education programs. In addition, males and females differed to the greatest degree within the academic program category.

Figure 26. Box Plot of Test Composite for High School Program by Handicap Status and Gender



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

Breakdown on Educational Achievement for Nonhandicapped and Handicapped Graduates and Dropouts

To further understand the group differences on three achievement measures for the four groups formed from handicap and graduation status, the following graphical displays were created to examine the achievement performances at the mean, top 5%, and 1% of the distribution. A brief description of the measures used in Figure 27 is given below: The three graphs on the next page use three symbols (triangle, circle, and square) to depict the top 1%, top 5% and mean scores respectively.

NOTE:

Test Composite: This continuous variable is an equally weighted linear composite of formula scores on standardized vocabulary, reading, and mathematics tests, each scored with a mean of 50 and a standard deviation of 10. This variable was copied from the first follow-up file (FUTEST). If FUTEST was missing, Base year test score composite (BYTEST) was copied. All HSB tests were developed by Educational Testing Service of Princeton, New Jersey.

Reading: This variable was the result of an 8-item reading test administered at the time of the survey. Test scores were standardized to a mean of 50 and a standard deviation of 10.

Mathematics: This variable is a composite of the general math level 1 and advanced math level 2 which test skills in algebra, geometry and trigonometry. Test scores were standardized to a mean of 50 and a standard deviation of 10.

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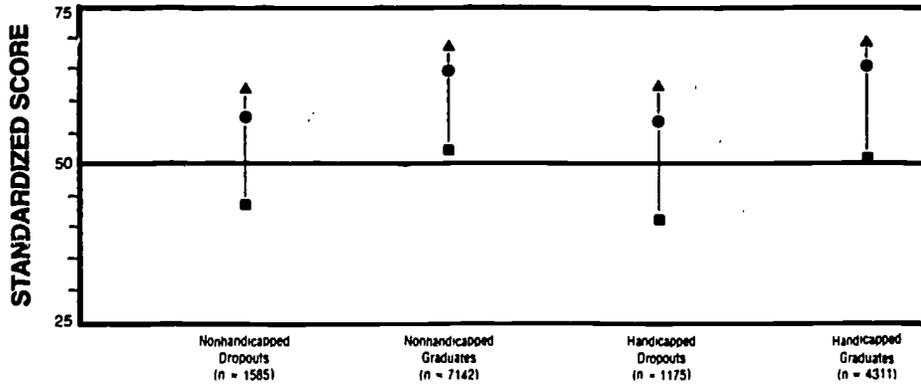
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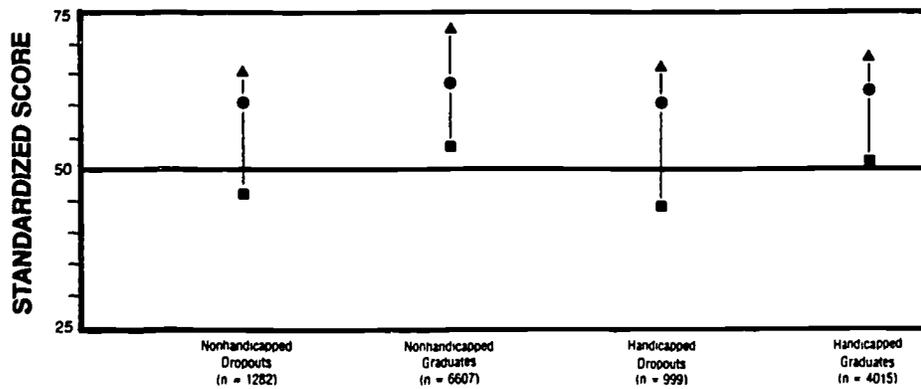
FIGURE 27

BREAKDOWN ON EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT FOR NONHANDICAPPED AND HANDICAPPED GRADUATES AND DROPOUTS ACCORDING TO TEST COMPOSITE, READING, AND MATHEMATICS STANDARDIZED SCORES

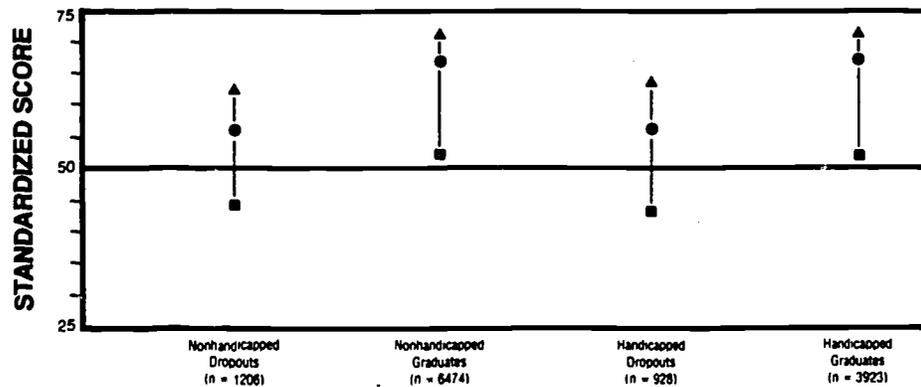
TEST SCORE COMPOSITE: MEAN SCORE, TOP 5% SCORE, TOP 1% SCORE FOR NONHANDICAPPED AND HANDICAPPED GRADUATES AND DROPOUTS



First Follow-up Reading Standardized Score: Mean Score, Top 5% Score, Top 1% Score for Nonhandicapped and Handicapped Graduates and Dropouts



First Follow-up Mathematics Standardized Score: Mean Score, Top 5% Score, Top 1% Score for Nonhandicapped and Handicapped Graduates and Dropouts



■ MEAN SCORE ● TOP 5% SCORE ▲ TOP 1% SCORE

EXHIBIT for the Three Graphs in Figure 27:

Educational achievement as portrayed by the test composite, reading, and mathematics standardized scores clearly differentiates the nonhandicapped and handicapped graduates and dropouts. This is depicted in the three graphs in Figure 27. The mean scores for the dropouts were distinctly below the mean score for graduates. Furthermore, the handicapped dropouts were achieving at a lower level with regard to mean scores when compared to their nonhandicapped counterparts. The top 5% and 1% distribution of scores were consistently similar for handicapped and nonhandicapped graduates and the same was true for the dropouts groups, yet handicapped students do score below their nonhandicapped peers' means.

Post-Secondary Educational Involvement

Figures 28 and 29 provide percentage bar charts on the handicap and nonhandicap groups with regard to post-secondary involvement. Nonhandicapped young adults enroll in full and part-time post-secondary educational (PSE) programs to a greater degree (43.41%) than do their handicapped peers (39.10%). Dropout status severely limits the involvement of young adults in post-secondary education.

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Figure 28. Profile of Post-Secondary Educational Involvement by Handicap Status

| HANDICAP STATUS | PSE INVOLVEMENT | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|-----------------|-----------------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| NONHANDICAP | NO COLLEGE | 5121 | 5121 | 56.59 | 56.59 |
| | PART-TIME PSE | 533 | 5654 | 5.89 | 62.48 |
| | FULL-TIME PSE | 3395 | 9049 | 37.52 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP | NO COLLEGE | 3443 | 3443 | 60.91 | 60.91 |
| | PART-TIME PSE | 344 | 3787 | 6.09 | 66.99 |
| | FULL-TIME PSE | 1866 | 5653 | 33.01 | 100.00 |

Figure 29. Profile of Post-Secondary Educational Involvement for Nonhandicapped and Handicapped Graduates and Dropouts

| HANDICAP-GRADUATION STATUS | PSE INVOLVEMENT | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|----------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| NONHANDICAP DROP | NO COLLEGE | 1547 | 1547 | 93.19 | 93.19 |
| | PART-TIME PSE | 47 | 1594 | 2.83 | 96.02 |
| | FULL-TIME PSE | 66 | 1660 | 3.98 | 100.00 |
| NONHANDICAP GRAD | NO COLLEGE | 3458 | 3458 | 47.55 | 47.55 |
| | PART-TIME PSE | 486 | 3944 | 6.68 | 54.24 |
| | FULL-TIME PSE | 3328 | 7272 | 45.76 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP DROPOUT | NO COLLEGE | 1138 | 1138 | 94.05 | 94.05 |
| | PART-TIME PSE | 17 | 1155 | 1.40 | 95.45 |
| | FULL-TIME PSE | 55 | 1210 | 4.55 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP GRADUATE | NO COLLEGE | 2225 | 2225 | 51.00 | 51.00 |
| | PART-TIME PSE | 327 | 2552 | 7.49 | 58.49 |
| | FULL-TIME PSE | 1811 | 4363 | 41.51 | 100.00 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

Chapter V

Educational Achievement and Attainment of Students with Specific Handicapping Conditions in High School and Beyond

This chapter will focus on educational achievement and attainment outcomes with the sample of students who identified themselves as having one and only one of the six reportable handicapping conditions in HSB. Students had the opportunity in the 1980 and 1982 surveys to check one or more of the following six handicapping conditions: specific learning disabilities, visual impairments, hard of hearing, speech disabilities, orthopedic impairments, and other health impairments. For a review of educational outcomes with respect to graduation status, handicapping status, and gender, see Chapter IV.

Type of High School Program

With regard to students reporting specific handicapping conditions, the pattern of high school program participation is particularly interesting. Figure 30 illustrates the type of high school program involvement for each of the six handicapping conditions with a horizontal percentage bar chart.

Individuals with the following handicapping conditions were enrolled in vocational programs at a much higher rate than did their nonhandicapped peers: learning disabled (50.16%), hearing impaired (40.32%), speech impaired (46.09%), and health impaired (31.66%). Only students with visual and orthopedic impairments were enrolled in academic programs at higher rates than their nonhandicapped peers (56.02% and 51.20%, respectively).

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Figure 30. Profile of Percentage of Students in High School Program by Handicapping Status

| HANDICAPPING CONDITION | HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|------------------------|---------------------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| LEARNING DISABLED | GENERAL | 98 | 98 | 30.53 | 30.53 |
| | ACADEMIC | 62 | 160 | 19.31 | 49.84 |
| | VOCATIONAL | 161 | 321 | 50.16 | 100.00 |
| VISUAL IMPAIRED | GENERAL | 399 | 399 | 21.94 | 21.94 |
| | ACADEMIC | 1019 | 1418 | 56.02 | 77.95 |
| | VOCATIONAL | 401 | 1819 | 22.05 | 100.00 |
| HEARING IMPAIRED | GENERAL | 90 | 90 | 24.19 | 24.19 |
| | ACADEMIC | 132 | 222 | 35.48 | 59.68 |
| | VOCATIONAL | 130 | 372 | 40.32 | 100.00 |
| SPEECH IMPAIRED | GENERAL | 54 | 54 | 23.48 | 23.48 |
| | ACADEMIC | 70 | 124 | 30.43 | 53.91 |
| | VOCATIONAL | 106 | 230 | 46.09 | 100.00 |
| ORTHO IMPAIRED | GENERAL | 41 | 41 | 24.70 | 24.70 |
| | ACADEMIC | 85 | 126 | 51.20 | 75.90 |
| | VOCATIONAL | 40 | 166 | 24.10 | 100.00 |
| HEALTH IMPAIRED | GENERAL | 234 | 234 | 25.46 | 25.46 |
| | ACADEMIC | 394 | 628 | 42.87 | 68.34 |
| | VOCATIONAL | 291 | 919 | 31.66 | 100.00 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

Time (in hours) Spent on Homework per Week

Percentage of time spent on homework per week varied considerably and sometimes dramatically among students with different handicapping conditions. Figures 31 depict the contrast among the six specific handicapping conditions and percentage of time spent on homework per week. Those students who reported themselves as learning disabled spent the least time on homework (31.55% for the category "light--1 hour"). Students with speech and hearing impairments also reported low rates of hours on homework (21.93% and 20.70% in the category "light--1 hour," respectively). In contrast, the visually and orthopedically impaired spent the highest percentage of time on homework (24.18% and 23.78% in the category "5+ hours," respectively).

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Figure 31. Profile of Hours Spent on Homework per Week by Handicapping Condition

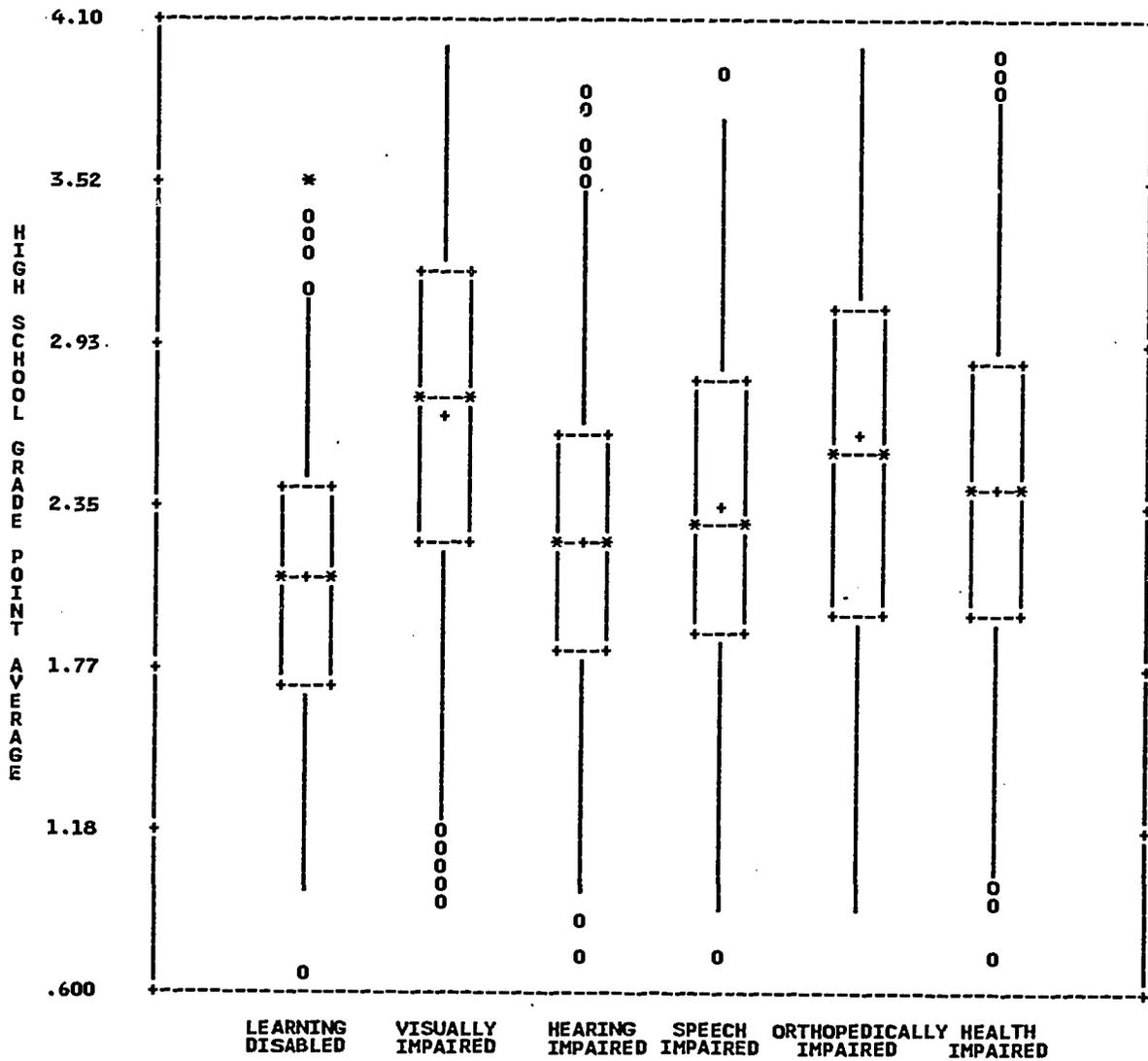
| HANDICAPPING CONDITION | HOURS OF HOMEWORK | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT | |
|------------------------|-------------------|-------|-----------|---------|--------------|--------|
| LEARNING DISABLED | LIGHT 1 HOUR | ***** | 100 | 100 | 31.55 | 31.55 |
| | 1-5 HOURS | ***** | 178 | 278 | 56.15 | 87.70 |
| | 5+ HOURS | ***** | 39 | 317 | 12.30 | 100.00 |
| VISUAL IMPAIRED | LIGHT 1 HOUR | **** | 182 | 182 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| | 1-5 HOURS | ***** | 1198 | 1380 | 65.82 | 75.82 |
| | 5+ HOURS | ***** | 440 | 1820 | 24.18 | 100.00 |
| HEARING IMPAIRED | LIGHT 1 HOUR | ***** | 77 | 77 | 20.70 | 20.70 |
| | 1-5 HOURS | ***** | 247 | 324 | 66.40 | 87.10 |
| | 5+ HOURS | ***** | 48 | 372 | 12.90 | 100.00 |
| SPEECH IMPAIRED | LIGHT 1 HOUR | ***** | 50 | 50 | 21.93 | 21.93 |
| | 1-5 HOURS | ***** | 148 | 198 | 64.91 | 86.84 |
| | 5+ HOURS | ***** | 30 | 228 | 13.16 | 100.00 |
| ORTHO IMPAIRED | LIGHT 1 HOUR | ***** | 21 | 21 | 12.80 | 12.80 |
| | 1-5 HOURS | ***** | 104 | 125 | 63.41 | 76.22 |
| | 5+ HOURS | ***** | 39 | 164 | 23.78 | 100.00 |
| HEALTH IMPAIRED | LIGHT 1 HOUR | ***** | 137 | 137 | 15.02 | 15.02 |
| | 1-5 HOURS | ***** | 602 | 739 | 66.01 | 81.03 |
| | 5+ HOURS | ***** | 173 | 912 | 18.97 | 100.00 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

High School Grade Point Average

As illustrated in Figure 32, box plots of earned grade point average (GPA) are given for the six specific handicapping conditions. Individuals who identified themselves as learning disabled earned the lowest GPA's, followed by hearing, speech and other health impaired. Students with visual and orthopedic impairments earned the highest GPA's.

Figure 32. Box Plot of High School Grade Point Average by Specific Handicapping Conditions



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

Table 15. High School Grade Point Average for High School Program by Specific Handicapping Condition

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | LEARNING DISABLED | | | | VISUALLY IMPAIRED | | | |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM | | | | | | | | |
| GENERAL | 72 | 1.94 | 0.56 | 2.1 | 350 | 2.46 | 0.63 | 10.4 |
| ACADEMIC | 52 | 2.27 | 0.55 | 1.5 | 931 | 2.91 | 0.60 | 27.7 |
| VOCATIONAL | 137 | 2.05 | 0.49 | 4.1 | 352 | 2.40 | 0.60 | 10.5 |
| TOTAL | 261 | 2.06 | 0.53 | 7.8 | 1633 | 2.71 | 0.65 | 48.7 |

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | HEARING IMPAIRED | | | | SPEECH DISABLED | | | |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM | | | | | | | | |
| GENERAL | 77 | 2.18 | 0.65 | 2.3 | 44 | 2.26 | 0.61 | 1.3 |
| ACADEMIC | 120 | 2.43 | 0.57 | 3.6 | 61 | 2.46 | 0.60 | 1.8 |
| VOCATIONAL | 130 | 2.08 | 0.54 | 3.9 | 89 | 2.28 | 0.62 | 2.7 |
| TOTAL | 327 | 2.23 | 0.60 | 9.7 | 194 | 2.33 | 0.62 | 5.8 |

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | ORTHOPEDICALLY IMPAIRED | | | | OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRMENT | | | |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM | | | | | | | | |
| GENERAL | 40 | 2.27 | 0.61 | 1.2 | 185 | 2.26 | 0.55 | 5.5 |
| ACADEMIC | 77 | 2.86 | 0.67 | 2.3 | 352 | 2.68 | 0.64 | 10.5 |
| VOCATIONAL | 35 | 2.37 | 0.60 | 1.0 | 251 | 2.21 | 0.58 | 7.5 |
| TOTAL | 152 | 2.59 | 0.69 | 4.5 | 788 | 2.43 | 0.64 | 23.5 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

Table 16. High School Grade Point Average for High School Community Type by Specific Handicapping Condition

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | LEARNING DISABLED | | | | VISUALLY IMPAIRED | | | |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANOARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY TYPE | | | | | | | | |
| URBAN | 71 | 2.03 | 0.56 | 2.1 | 345 | 2.56 | 0.63 | 10.3 |
| SUBURBAN | 112 | 2.13 | 0.55 | 3.3 | 830 | 2.72 | 0.64 | 24.7 |
| RURAL | 81 | 1.99 | 0.47 | 2.4 | 462 | 2.79 | 0.67 | 13.7 |
| TOTAL | 264 | 2.06 | 0.53 | 7.8 | 1637 | 2.70 | 0.65 | 48.6 |

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | HEARING IMPAIRED | | | | SPEECH DISABLED | | | |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANOARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY TYPE | | | | | | | | |
| URBAN | 73 | 2.07 | 0.62 | 2.2 | 45 | 2.24 | 0.64 | 1.3 |
| SUBURBAN | 156 | 2.31 | 0.55 | 4.6 | 91 | 2.37 | 0.57 | 2.7 |
| RURAL | 100 | 2.22 | 0.63 | 3.0 | 58 | 2.35 | 0.67 | 1.7 |
| TOTAL | 329 | 2.23 | 0.60 | 9.8 | 194 | 2.33 | 0.62 | 5.8 |

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | ORTHOPEDEICALLY IMPAIRED | | | | OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRMENT | | | |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANOARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY TYPE | | | | | | | | |
| URBAN | *21 | *2.38 | *0.63 | *0.6 | 196 | 2.26 | 0.62 | 5.8 |
| SUBURBAN | 90 | 2.63 | 0.71 | 2.7 | 376 | 2.46 | 0.63 | 11.2 |
| RURAL | 41 | 2.61 | 0.68 | 1.2 | 217 | 2.55 | 0.65 | 6.4 |
| TOTAL | 152 | 2.59 | 0.69 | 4.5 | 789 | 2.43 | 0.64 | 23.4 |

NOTE: * Cells with fewer than 25 observations should be interpreted with caution.

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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Table 17. High School Grade Point Average for Ethnicity by Specific Handicapping Condition

| ETHNICITY | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | LEARNING DISABLED | | | | VISUALLY IMPAIRED | | | |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARO DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARO DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HISPANIC | 81 | 1.98 | 0.50 | 2.4 | 334 | 2.57 | 0.63 | 9.9 |
| AM INOIAN | *16 | *2.22 | *0.53 | *0.5 | 36 | 2.47 | 0.56 | 1.1 |
| ASIAN | *15 | *2.53 | *0.56 | *0.4 | 64 | 3.12 | 0.57 | 1.9 |
| BLACK | 32 | 1.81 | 0.51 | 1.0 | 144 | 2.44 | 0.62 | 4.3 |
| WHITE | 120 | 2.10 | 0.51 | 3.6 | 1058 | 2.76 | 0.65 | 31.5 |
| TOTAL | 264 | 2.06 | 0.53 | 7.9 | 1636 | 2.70 | 0.65 | 48.7 |

| ETHNICITY | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | HEARING IMPAIRED | | | | SPEECH DISABLED | | | |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARO DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARO DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HISPANIC | 105 | 2.05 | 0.59 | 3.1 | 73 | 2.24 | 0.58 | 2.2 |
| AM INOIAN | *13 | *2.11 | *0.47 | *0.4 | *6 | *1.94 | *0.22 | *0.2 |
| ASIAN | *6 | *2.31 | *0.73 | *0.2 | *10 | *2.67 | *0.58 | *0.3 |
| BLACK | 30 | 2.19 | 0.52 | 0.9 | 33 | 2.17 | 0.57 | 1.0 |
| WHITE | 173 | 2.35 | 0.60 | 5.1 | 72 | 2.48 | 0.66 | 2.1 |
| TOTAL | 327 | 2.23 | 0.60 | 9.7 | 194 | 2.33 | 0.62 | 5.8 |

| ETHNICITY | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | ORTHOPEDEICALLY IMPAIRED | | | | OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRMENT | | | |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARO DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARO DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HISPANIC | 29 | 2.54 | 0.62 | 0.9 | 165 | 2.31 | 0.58 | 4.9 |
| AM INOIAN | *1 | *2.03 | | *0.0 | *16 | *2.30 | *0.64 | *0.5 |
| ASIAN | *2 | *2.98 | *0.36 | *0.1 | *24 | *2.74 | *0.70 | *0.7 |
| BLACK | *13 | *2.18 | *0.54 | *0.4 | 153 | 2.27 | 0.59 | 4.6 |
| WHITE | 107 | 2.66 | 0.72 | 3.2 | 430 | 2.53 | 0.66 | 12.8 |
| TOTAL | 152 | 2.59 | 0.69 | 4.5 | 788 | 2.43 | 0.64 | 23.4 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

NOTE: * Cells with fewer than 25 observations should be interpreted with caution.

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EXHIBIT for Table 15:

Across all specific handicapping conditions, students enrolled in academic programs had the highest earned grade point averages. Students in general and vocational education programs showed no appreciable differences in grade point average.

Students who reported themselves as having a learning disability had the lowest grade point average (2.06) while visually and orthopedically impaired students had the highest grade point average (2.71 and 2.59, respectively).

EXHIBIT for Table 16:

High school grade point average varied from one high school community type to another. In most cases, students who attended suburban high schools had the highest grade point average. For visually and health impaired students the highest grade point averages were in rural schools. In all but one case, students in urban schools had the lowest average.

EXHIBIT for Table 17:

Those who identified themselves as learning disabled earned the lowest grade point average and within that group Blacks and Hispanics earned the lowest average grade point average.

Those who reported visual impairments earned the highest grade point average of all the specific handicapping conditions. Asians, Whites and Hispanics earned the highest grade point average within that group.

Table 18. High School Grade Point Average for High School Type by Specific Handicapping Condition

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|------------------|---------------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | LEARNING DISABLED | | | | VISUALLY IMPAIRED | | | |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL TYPE | | | | | | | | |
| PUBLIC | 233 | 2.05 | 0.52 | 6.9 | 1212 | 2.68 | 0.66 | 36.0 |
| PRIVATE | 31 | 2.16 | 0.61 | 0.9 | 425 | 2.77 | 0.62 | 12.6 |
| TOTAL | 264 | 2.06 | 0.53 | 7.8 | 1637 | 2.70 | 0.65 | 48.6 |

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|------------------|---------------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | HEARING IMPAIRED | | | | SPEECH DISABLED | | | |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL TYPE | | | | | | | | |
| PUBLIC | 282 | 2.21 | 0.59 | 8.4 | 161 | 2.30 | 0.64 | 4.8 |
| PRIVATE | 47 | 2.34 | 0.63 | 1.4 | 33 | 2.50 | 0.49 | 1.0 |
| TOTAL | 329 | 2.23 | 0.60 | 9.8 | 194 | 2.33 | 0.62 | 5.8 |

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|------------------|---------------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | ORTHOPEDEICALLY IMPAIRED | | | | OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRMENT | | | |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | | HIGH SCHOOL GPA | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL TYPE | | | | | | | | |
| PUBLIC | 120 | 2.58 | 0.69 | 3.6 | 635 | 2.43 | 0.64 | 18.9 |
| PRIVATE | 32 | 2.65 | 0.72 | 1.0 | 154 | 2.45 | 0.63 | 4.6 |
| TOTAL | 152 | 2.59 | 0.69 | 4.5 | 789 | 2.43 | 0.64 | 23.4 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

EXHIBIT for Table 18:

Students who reported specific handicapping conditions and were enrolled in public high schools had slightly lower grade point averages than private school peers.

The greatest mean differences in grade point average between public and private high schools exists with speech disabled and hearing impaired students where there was a .20 and .13 point difference, favoring private schools.

Test Composite Patterns

The test composite created by the National Center for Educational Statistics was a composite of scores on standardized vocabulary, reading, and mathematics tests (see Chapter IV for a description of these tests). The results reported in quartiles for the six specific handicapping conditions are found in Figure 33. Students with learning disabilities scored in the lowest and second lowest quartile 87% of the time. Visually and orthopedically impaired students scored the highest with 69% of visually impaired students, and 60% of orthopedically impaired students scoring in the top two quartiles.

Table 19. Test Composite for High School Program by Specific Handicapping Condition

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | LEARNING DISABLED | | | | VISUALLY IMPAIRED | | | |
| | TEST COMPOSITE | | | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM | | | | | | | | |
| GENERAL | 91 | 41.24 | 5.62 | 2.4 | 392 | 50.17 | 8.12 | 10.4 |
| ACADEMIC | 61 | 44.78 | 8.32 | 1.6 | 1017 | 57.98 | 7.26 | 27.0 |
| VOCATIONAL | 153 | 40.49 | 6.36 | 4.1 | 397 | 48.35 | 7.75 | 10.5 |
| TOTAL | 305 | 41.57 | 6.78 | 8.1 | 1806 | 54.17 | 8.73 | 47.9 |

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | HEARING IMPAIRED | | | | SPEECH DISABLED | | | |
| | TEST COMPOSITE | | | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM | | | | | | | | |
| GENERAL | 88 | 46.12 | 8.76 | 2.3 | 54 | 45.10 | 7.89 | 1.4 |
| ACADEMIC | 130 | 51.19 | 8.92 | 3.4 | 68 | 50.59 | 10.35 | 1.8 |
| VOCATIONAL | 146 | 42.01 | 7.43 | 3.9 | 102 | 41.93 | 6.86 | 2.7 |
| TOTAL | 364 | 46.28 | 9.20 | 9.7 | 224 | 45.32 | 9.06 | 5.9 |

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | ORTHOPEDICALLY IMPAIRED | | | | OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRMENT | | | |
| | TEST COMPOSITE | | | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM | | | | | | | | |
| GENERAL | 40 | 48.13 | 6.66 | 1.1 | 229 | 47.23 | 7.62 | 6.1 |
| ACADEMIC | 83 | 57.12 | 7.84 | 2.2 | 391 | 52.82 | 8.92 | 10.4 |
| VOCATIONAL | 40 | 46.92 | 7.33 | 1.1 | 287 | 42.89 | 7.01 | 7.6 |
| TOTAL | 163 | 52.41 | 8.84 | 4.3 | 907 | 48.27 | 9.10 | 24.1 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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Table 20. Test Composite for High School Community Type by Specific Handicapping Condition

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | LEARNING DISABLED | | | | VISUALLY IMPAIRED | | | |
| | TEST COMPOSITE | | | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY TYPE | | | | | | | | |
| URBAN | 88 | 40.82 | 6.61 | 2.3 | 379 | 52.81 | 9.01 | 10.0 |
| SUBURBAN | 128 | 42.32 | 7.53 | 3.4 | 920 | 55.14 | 8.59 | 24.3 |
| RURAL | 92 | 41.13 | 5.65 | 2.4 | 510 | 53.35 | 8.62 | 13.5 |
| TOTAL | 308 | 41.53 | 6.77 | 8.2 | 1809 | 54.15 | 8.75 | 47.9 |

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | HEARING IMPAIRED | | | | SPEECH DISABLED | | | |
| | TEST COMPOSITE | | | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY TYPE | | | | | | | | |
| URBAN | 85 | 43.88 | 9.21 | 2.2 | 54 | 43.64 | 9.51 | 1.4 |
| SUBURBAN | 167 | 48.13 | 9.25 | 4.4 | 104 | 46.21 | 8.96 | 2.8 |
| RURAL | 115 | 45.15 | 8.63 | 3.0 | 66 | 45.31 | 8.76 | 1.7 |
| TOTAL | 367 | 46.21 | 9.21 | 9.7 | 224 | 45.32 | 9.06 | 5.9 |

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | ORTHOPEDICALLY IMPAIRED | | | | OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRMENT | | | |
| | TEST COMPOSITE | | | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY TYPE | | | | | | | | |
| URBAN | 27 | 51.06 | 7.70 | 0.7 | 250 | 45.48 | 8.19 | 6.6 |
| SUBURBAN | 92 | 53.49 | 9.44 | 2.4 | 417 | 50.55 | 9.02 | 11.0 |
| RURAL | 44 | 50.97 | 8.00 | 1.2 | 241 | 47.18 | 9.17 | 6.4 |
| TOTAL | 163 | 52.41 | 8.84 | 4.3 | 908 | 48.35 | 9.10 | 24.0 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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Table 21. Test Composite for Ethnicity by Specific Handicapping Condition

| ETHNICITY | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|--------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | LEARNING DISABLED | | | | VISUALLY IMPAIRED | | | |
| | TEST COMPOSITE | | | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HISPANIC | 96 | 39.47 | 5.01 | 2.5 | 374 | 50.85 | 9.02 | 9.9 |
| AM INDIAN | *16 | *40.44 | *4.93 | *0.4 | 43 | 45.93 | 8.48 | 1.1 |
| ASIAN | *15 | *41.37 | *4.45 | *0.4 | 69 | 57.68 | 7.95 | 1.8 |
| BLACK | 40 | 38.47 | 6.61 | 1.1 | 173 | 51.28 | 8.42 | 4.6 |
| WHITE | 141 | 43.95 | 7.41 | 3.7 | 1149 | 55.76 | 8.14 | 30.4 |
| TOTAL | 308 | 41.53 | 6.77 | 8.2 | 1808 | 54.15 | 8.75 | 47.9 |

| ETHNICITY | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|--------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|--------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | HEARING IMPAIRED | | | | SPEECH DISABLED | | | |
| | TEST COMPOSITE | | | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HISPANIC | 120 | 41.55 | 7.80 | 3.2 | 86 | 41.62 | 7.18 | 2.3 |
| AM INDIAN | *14 | *41.00 | *7.12 | *0.4 | *8 | *40.98 | *4.33 | *0.2 |
| ASIAN | *7 | *48.87 | *12.12 | *0.2 | *10 | *50.22 | *8.42 | *0.3 |
| BLACK | 38 | 41.94 | 7.44 | 1.0 | 37 | 41.48 | 6.67 | 1.0 |
| WHITE | 186 | 50.40 | 8.42 | 4.9 | 83 | 50.71 | 9.25 | 2.2 |
| TOTAL | 365 | 46.22 | 9.22 | 9.7 | 224 | 45.32 | 9.06 | 5.9 |

| ETHNICITY | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|--------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | ORTHOPEDICALLY IMPAIRED | | | | OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRMENT | | | |
| | TEST COMPOSITE | | | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HISPANIC | 32 | 48.52 | 7.66 | 0.8 | 215 | 44.41 | 8.35 | 5.7 |
| AM INDIAN | *1 | *38.02 | | *0.0 | *20 | *46.05 | *9.28 | *0.5 |
| ASIAN | *2 | *61.63 | *0.45 | *0.1 | *23 | *49.22 | *10.21 | *0.6 |
| BLACK | *15 | *47.92 | *6.38 | *0.4 | 175 | 44.07 | 8.92 | 4.6 |
| WHITE | 113 | 54.07 | 8.86 | 3.0 | 474 | 51.60 | 8.40 | 12.6 |
| TOTAL | 163 | 52.41 | 8.84 | 4.3 | 907 | 48.26 | 9.10 | 24.0 |

NOTE: * Cells with fewer than 25 observations should be interpreted with caution.

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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EXHIBIT for Table 19:

Students who reported themselves as having a learning disability had the lowest average test composite score of all the specific handicapping conditions. Visually and orthopedically impaired students had the highest average test composite scores at 54.17 and 52.41, respectively. Across all handicapping conditions, students in academic programs consistently scored the highest on the test composite, followed by students in general education. Vocational education students had the lowest average test composite scores.

EXHIBIT for Table 20:

Across handicapping conditions, students who attended high schools in suburban communities scored higher on the test composite than rural peers. In all cases, except with the orthopedically impaired students, students from urban schools scored the lowest on the test composite.

Students who identified themselves as learning disabled scored the lowest on the test composite, on the average, while visually and orthopedically impaired students scored the highest (54.15 and 52.41, respectively).

EXHIBIT for Table 21:

There was wide variation on the test composite scores by specific handicapping condition and ethnic group.

Those students who identified themselves as learning disabled had the lowest average test composite scores of all handicap groups. Within that group, Blacks, Hispanics and American Indians had the lowest average test scores. This pattern tends to repeat itself across all handicap groups.

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Table 22. Test Composite for High School Type by Specific Handicapping Condition

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | LEARNING DISABLED | | | | VISUALLY IMPAIRED | | | |
| | TEST COMPOSITE | | | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL TYPE | | | | | | | | |
| PUBLIC | 273 | 41.16 | 6.56 | 7.2 | 1342 | 53.22 | 8.82 | 35.5 |
| PRIVATE | 35 | 44.48 | 7.70 | 0.9 | 467 | 56.53 | 7.94 | 12.4 |
| TOTAL | 308 | 41.53 | 6.77 | 8.2 | 1809 | 54.15 | 8.75 | 47.9 |

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | HEARING IMPAIRED | | | | SPEECH DISABLED | | | |
| | TEST COMPOSITE | | | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL TYPE | | | | | | | | |
| PUBLIC | 315 | 45.25 | 8.94 | 8.3 | 189 | 44.28 | 8.70 | 5.0 |
| PRIVATE | 52 | 52.00 | 8.76 | 1.4 | 35 | 50.97 | 8.96 | 0.9 |
| TOTAL | 367 | 46.21 | 9.21 | 9.7 | 224 | 45.32 | 9.06 | 5.9 |

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | ORTHOPEDEICALLY IMPAIRED | | | | OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRMENT | | | |
| | TEST COMPOSITE | | | | TEST COMPOSITE | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HIGH SCHOOL TYPE | | | | | | | | |
| PUBLIC | 128 | 51.72 | 9.03 | 3.4 | 728 | 47.57 | 9.15 | 19.3 |
| PRIVATE | 35 | 54.94 | 7.71 | 0.9 | 180 | 51.05 | 8.37 | 4.8 |
| TOTAL | 163 | 52.41 | 8.84 | 4.3 | 908 | 48.26 | 9.10 | 24.0 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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EXHIBIT for Table 22:

Average test composite scores are lower for students enrolled in public schools.

Those students reporting themselves as learning disabled scored lower than all the other students with specific handicapping conditions, (41.53) while students reporting that they were visually impaired scored the highest (54.15).

The greatest difference in test composite between public and private schools was seen in speech and hearing impaired categories.

Breakdown on Educational Achievement for Students with Specific Handicapping Conditions

To further understand the group differences on three achievement measures for the six handicapping conditions, the following graphical displays were created to examine the achievement performances at the mean, top 5%, and 1% of the distribution. The three graphs use three symbols (triangle, circle, and square) to depict the top 1%, top 5%, and means scores respectively. A brief description of the measures used in Figure 35 is given below:

NOTE:

Test Composite: This continuous variable is an equally weighted linear composite of formula scores on standardized vocabulary, reading, and mathematics tests, each scored with a mean of 50 and a standard deviation of 10. This variable was copied from the first follow-up file (FUTEST). If FUTEST was missing, base-year test score composite (BYTEST) was copied. All HSB tests were developed by Educational Testing Service of Princeton, New Jersey.

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Reading: This variable was the result of an 8-item reading test administered at the time of the survey. Test scores were standardized to a mean of 50 and a standard deviation of 10.

Mathematics: This variable is a composite of the general math level 1 and advanced math level 2 which test skills in algebra, geometry and trigonometry. Test scores were standardized to a mean of 50 and a standard deviation of 10.

EXHIBIT for the Three Graphs in Figure 35:

Educational achievement as portrayed by the test composite, reading, and mathematics standardized scores clearly differentiates the six specific handicapping conditions.

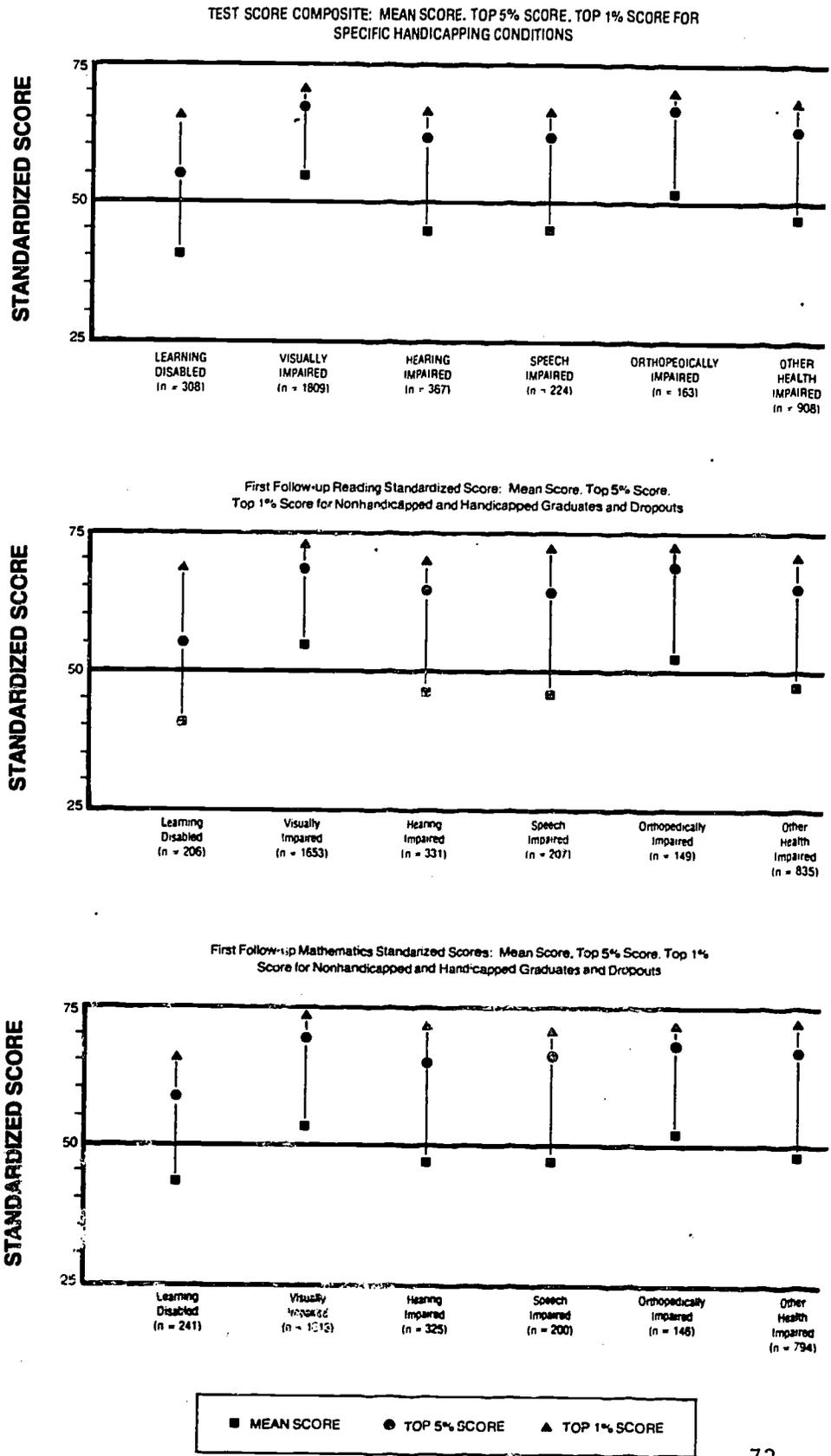
Those students who reported themselves as learning disabled had mean scores that were distinctly below their handicapped peers on all measures. Their top 5% and 1% scores were also below those of their peers. This is illustrated in the three graphs found in Figure 35.

Noticeably at the top of the achievement ladder were the visually impaired who scored close to their nonhandicapped peers. The orthopedically impaired were also achieving well above their handicapped peers.

The hearing, speech and other health impaired categories have mean scores on all three measures that were below the achievement measure mean score of 50. However, their top 5% and 1% scores compare favorably with the visually and orthopedically impaired in these special cases.

FIGURE 35

BREAKDOWN ON EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT FOR SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITIONS ACCORDING TO TEST COMPOSITE, READING, AND MATHEMATICS STANDARDIZED SCORES



Chapter VI

Employment Attainment and Related Components for Nonhandicapped and Handicapped Youth in High School and Beyond

It is understood that the transition from school to work is not an easy passage, particularly for youth with handicaps. This section compares the self-reported labor market outcomes of nonhandicapped and handicapped young adults. In addition, employment outcomes are examined by graduation status to provide more comparative information.

The employment experiences were examined from the perspective of employment rates, first job occupational classification, hours worked per week, duration of employment, hourly earnings, how young adults found their first job, and why they left it. The following sections describe these variables and the groups that have been portrayed throughout this Digest.

Reported Employment Status

Figures 37 and 38 depict the reported employment status of nonhandicapped and handicapped individuals and nonhandicapped and handicapped graduates and dropouts, respectively. Those who identified themselves as handicapped reported a slightly higher percent unemployment (6.34%) compared to their nonhandicapped peers (5.02%). In addition, their reported rate of participation in full and part-time jobs was only slightly lower than their nonhandicapped peers. Reported unemployment rates among nonhandicapped and handicapped dropouts were 12.08% and 11.58%, respectively. Dropouts also reported higher "not in the labor force" rates than did their graduate peers. Graduates reported higher employment rates than their dropout counterparts. This can be seen in Figure 38.

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Figure 37. Profile of Employment Status by Handicap Status

| HANDICAPPED STATUS | EMPLOYMENT STATUS | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|--------------------|-------------------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| NONHANDICAP | FULL-TIME JOB | 3048 | 3048 | 36.90 | 36.90 |
| | PART-TIME JOB | 2300 | 5348 | 27.85 | 64.75 |
| | UNEMPLOYED | 415 | 5763 | 5.02 | 69.77 |
| | NOT IN LABOR FOR | 2497 | 8260 | 30.23 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP | FULL-TIME JOB | 1881 | 1881 | 36.17 | 36.17 |
| | PART-TIME JOB | 1420 | 3301 | 27.30 | 63.47 |
| | UNEMPLOYED | 331 | 3632 | 6.36 | 69.83 |
| | NOT IN LABOR FOR | 1569 | 5201 | 30.17 | 100.00 |

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Figure 38. Profile of Employment Status by Nonhandicap and Handicap Graduates and Dropouts

| HANDICAP-GRADUATION STATUS | EMPLOYMENT STATUS | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|----------------------------|-------------------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| NONHANDICAP DROP | FULL-TIME JOB | 602 | 602 | 43.53 | 43.53 |
| | PART-TIME JOB | 167 | 769 | 12.08 | 55.60 |
| | UNEMPLOYED | 167 | 936 | 12.08 | 67.68 |
| | NOT IN LABOR FOR | 447 | 1383 | 32.32 | 100.00 |
| NONHANDICAP GRAD | FULL-TIME JOB | 2446 | 2446 | 35.57 | 35.57 |
| | PART-TIME JOB | 2133 | 4579 | 31.02 | 66.59 |
| | UNEMPLOYED | 248 | 4827 | 3.61 | 70.20 |
| | NOT IN LABOR FOR | 2049 | 6876 | 29.80 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP DROPOUT | FULL-TIME JOB | 419 | 419 | 40.10 | 40.10 |
| | PART-TIME JOB | 139 | 558 | 13.30 | 53.40 |
| | UNEMPLOYED | 121 | 679 | 11.58 | 64.98 |
| | NOT IN LABOR FOR | 366 | 1045 | 35.02 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP GRADUATE | FULL-TIME JOB | 1461 | 1461 | 35.18 | 35.18 |
| | PART-TIME JOB | 1280 | 2741 | 30.82 | 66.00 |
| | UNEMPLOYED | 210 | 2951 | 5.96 | 71.06 |
| | NOT IN LABOR FOR | 1202 | 4153 | 28.94 | 100.00 |

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SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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Table 23. Reported Hourly Earnings (in dollars) for Full- and Part-Time Employment by Handicap Status and High School Graduation Status

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------|------|------|-------------------------|-----------------|------|------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| JOB STATUS FEBRUARY 1984 | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 560 | 4.09 | 2.12 | 7.2 | 376 | 4.16 | 2.21 | 4.8 |
| FULL-TIME JOB | GRADUATE | 2261 | 3.86 | 1.66 | 29.1 | 1326 | 3.85 | 1.86 | 17.0 |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| PART-TIME JOB | DROPOUT | 144 | 4.28 | 2.72 | 1.9 | 115 | 3.92 | 2.37 | 1.5 |
| | GRADUATE | 1876 | 3.94 | 2.28 | 24.1 | 1125 | 4.08 | 2.50 | 14.5 |
| TOTAL | | 4841 | 3.93 | 2.01 | 62.2 | 2942 | 3.98 | 2.19 | 37.8 |

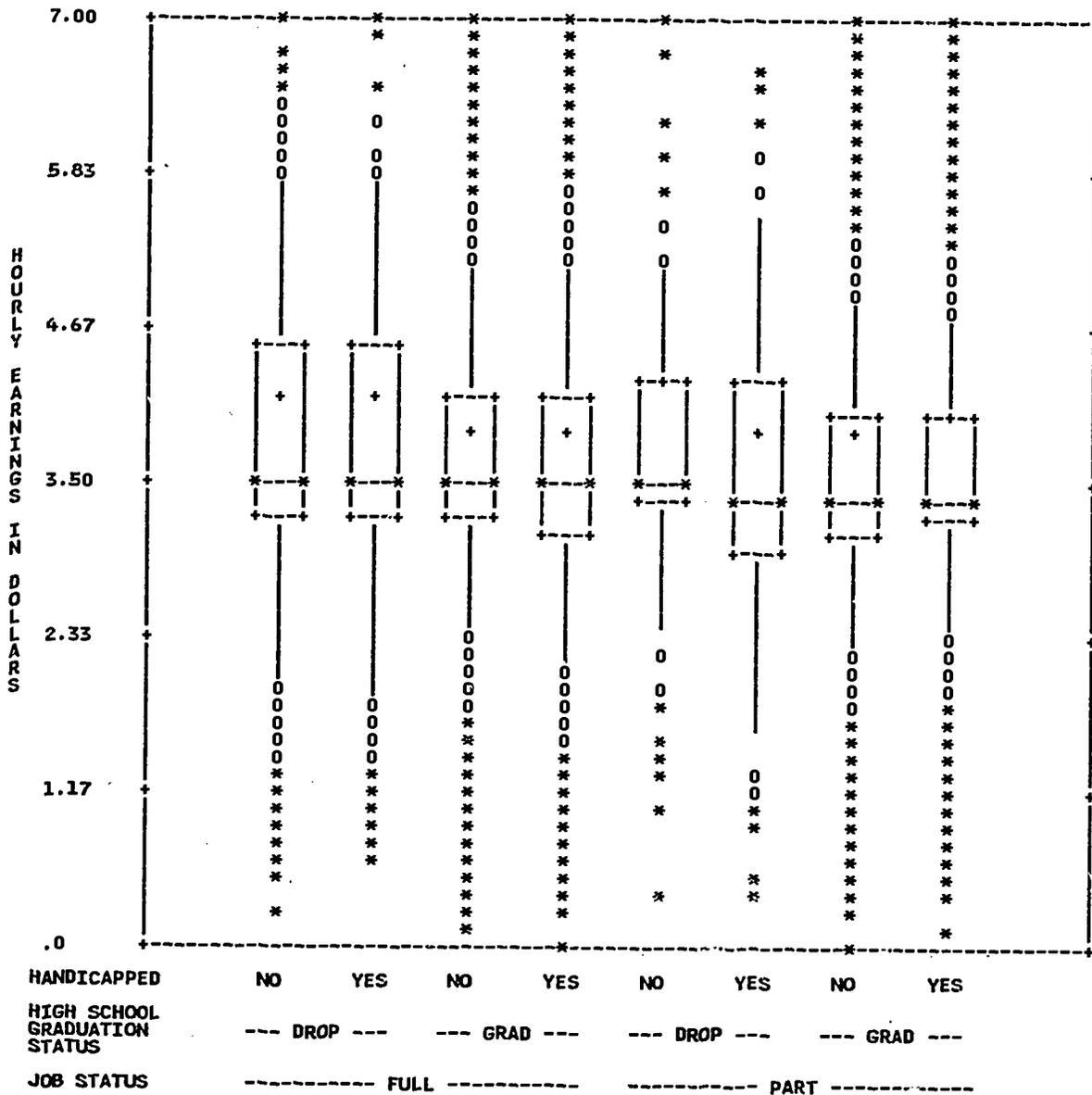
SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

EXHIBIT for Table 23 and Figure 39:

Dropouts, regardless of handicap status, had higher hourly earnings on their first job.

This earning advantage, on the part of dropouts, may be due to their early entrance into the labor force and their longer hours on the job. Many have had a two year headstart in the labor force when compared to their graduate counterparts.

Figure 39. Box Plot of Hourly Earnings (in Dollars) for Full- and Part-Time Employment by Handicap and Graduation Status



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

NOTE: Earnings in excess of \$7.00 are not displayed.

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Table 24. Reported Hourly Earnings (in dollars) for Full- and Part-Time Employment by Handicap Status and Gender

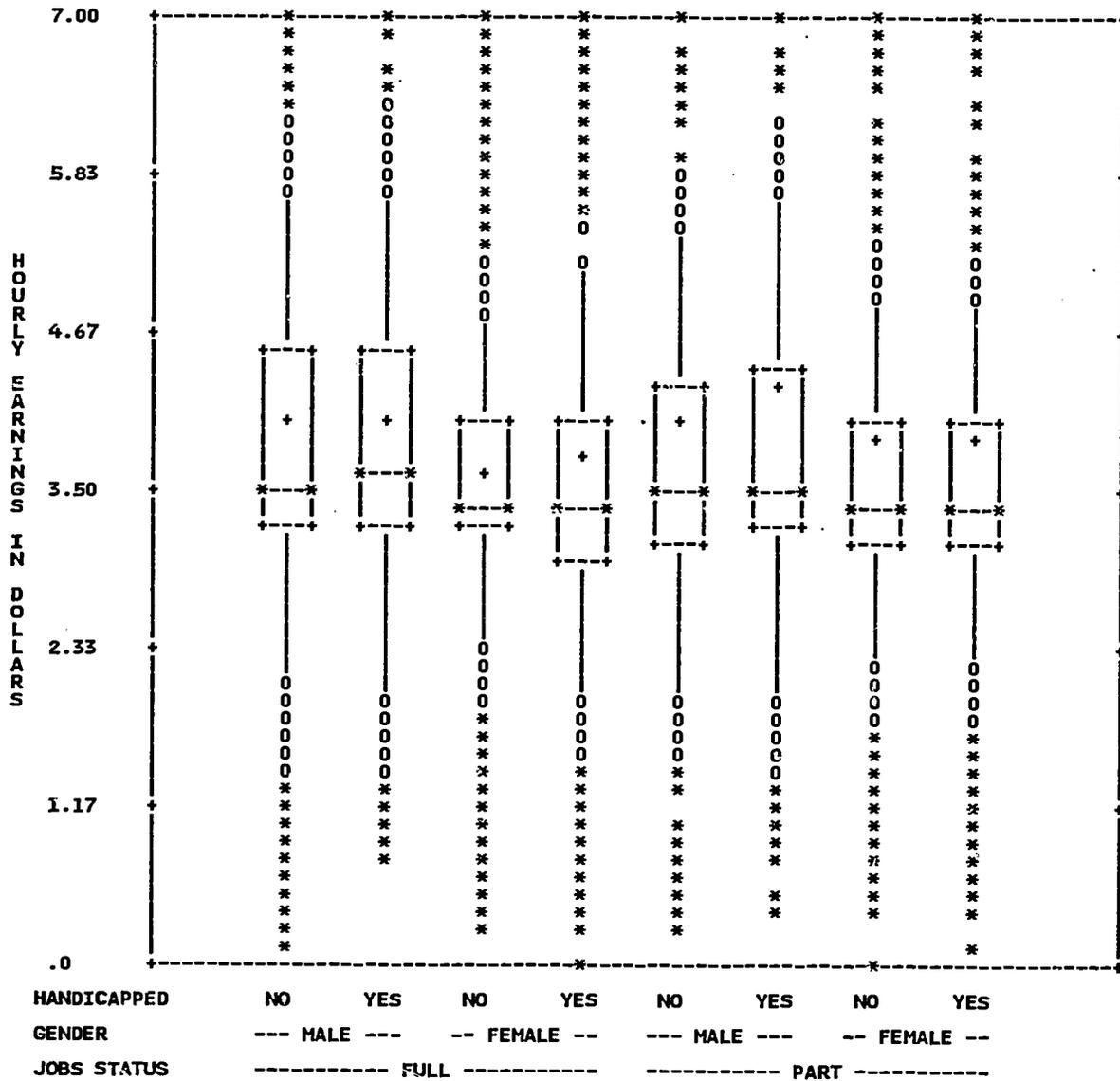
| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--------|-----------------|------|------|-------------------------|-----------------|------|------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| JOB STATUS FEBRUARY 1984 | GENOER | | | | | | | | |
| FULL-TIME JOB | MALE | 1596 | 4.08 | 1.95 | 20.5 | 1060 | 4.05 | 1.87 | 13.6 |
| | FEMALE | 1225 | 3.68 | 1.45 | 15.7 | 643 | 3.71 | 2.05 | 8.3 |
| PART-TIME JOB | GENOER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 807 | 4.06 | 2.32 | 10.4 | 540 | 4.22 | 2.56 | 6.9 |
| | FEMALE | 1213 | 3.90 | 2.31 | 15.6 | 701 | 3.95 | 2.43 | 9.0 |
| TOTAL | | 4841 | 3.93 | 2.01 | 62.2 | 2944 | 3.98 | 2.19 | 37.8 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

EXHIBIT for Table 24 and Figure 40:

Males, regardless of handicap status reported higher hourly earnings in comparison to their female peers. There were only slight differences in overall wages between handicapped and nonhandicapped workers. Yet, in some instances, the average hourly earnings were slightly higher for the handicapped sample.

Figure 40. Box Plot of Hourly Earnings (in Dollars) for Full- and Part-Time Employment by Handicap Status and Gender



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

NOTE: * Hourly earnings in excess of \$7.00 are not displayed

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Table 25. Reported Hourly Earnings (in dollars) for Ethnicity by Handicap Status and High School Graduation Status

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|-----------|-------------------------------|-----------------|-------|-------|-------------------------|-----------------|-------|-------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| ETHNICITY | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| HISPANIC | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 281 | 4.24 | 2.50 | 2.5 | 212 | 4.33 | 2.58 | 1.9 |
| | GRADUATE | 1079 | 4.05 | 1.97 | 9.7 | 776 | 4.11 | 2.34 | 7.0 |
| AM INDIAN | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | * 15 | *3.96 | *3.02 | 0.1 | * 21 | *3.70 | *1.34 | 0.2 |
| | GRADUATE | 81 | 3.77 | 1.96 | 0.7 | 74 | 3.99 | 2.33 | 0.7 |
| ASIAN | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | * 13 | *4.42 | *1.04 | 0.1 | * 11 | *3.68 | *1.04 | 0.1 |
| | GRADUATE | 142 | 4.14 | 1.98 | 1.3 | 119 | 3.82 | 1.59 | 1.1 |
| BLACK | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 164 | 3.92 | 1.74 | 1.5 | 109 | 4.22 | 2.80 | 1.0 |
| | GRADUATE | 702 | 4.17 | 2.68 | 6.3 | 378 | 4.16 | 2.54 | 3.4 |
| WHITE | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 640 | 4.08 | 2.32 | 5.8 | 412 | 3.97 | 2.16 | 3.7 |
| | GRADUATE | 3795 | 3.83 | 1.88 | 34.2 | 2075 | 3.87 | 2.10 | 18.7 |
| TOTAL | | 6912 | 3.95 | 2.04 | 62.3 | 4187 | 3.98 | 2.23 | 37.7 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

NOTE: * Cells with fewer than 25 observations should be interpreted with caution.

EXHIBIT for Table 25:

In many cases, dropouts were making higher hourly earnings on the average when compared to graduates. This may be attributed to the fact that dropouts have been in the job market for a longer period of time and work longer hours.

There did not appear to be a difference in the hourly earnings between handicapped and nonhandicapped young adults. American Indians and Blacks had the lowest hourly earnings of all the ethnic groups.

Table 26. Reported Hours Worked per Week for Full- and Part-Time Employment by Handicap Status and High School Graduation Status:

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| JOB STATUS FEBRUARY 1984 | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 596 | 40.53 | 12.96 | 7.1 | 308 | 41.23 | 13.97 | 4.9 |
| FULL-TIME JOB | GRADUATE | 2426 | 37.91 | 12.92 | 28.9 | 1443 | 38.80 | 12.06 | 17.2 |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| PART-TIME JOB | DROPOUT | 149 | 27.42 | 11.84 | 1.8 | 126 | 27.83 | 13.77 | 1.5 |
| | GRADUATE | 2018 | 24.14 | 11.28 | 24.1 | 1217 | 23.89 | 11.46 | 14.5 |
| TOTAL | | 5189 | 32.56 | 14.14 | 61.9 | 3194 | 33.00 | 14.30 | 38.1 |

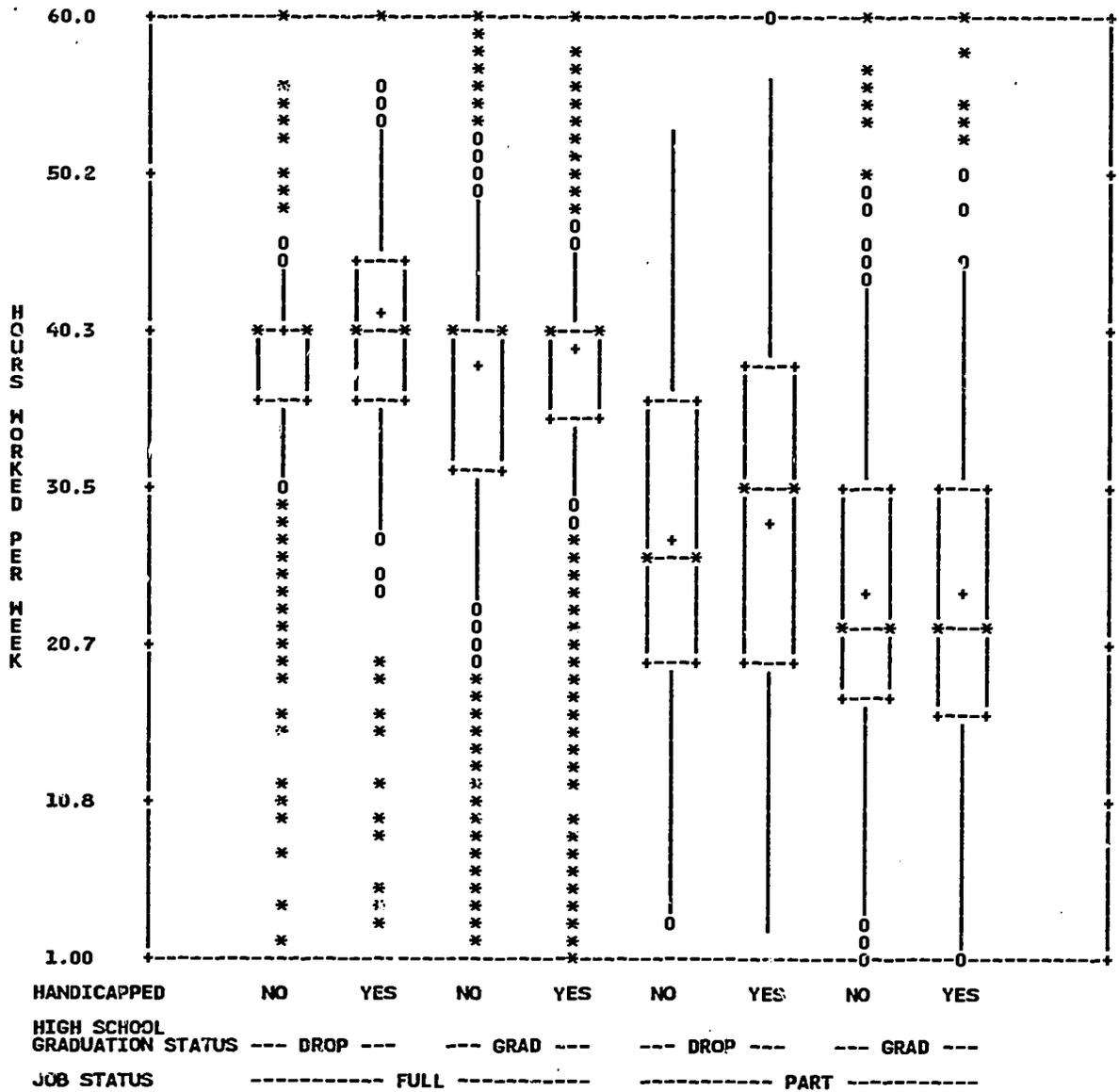
SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

EXHIBIT for Table 26 and Figure 41:

Dropouts consistently reported longer hours per week than their graduate counterparts. Furthermore, dropouts who were handicapped reported working slightly more than their nonhandicapped dropout peers.

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Figure 41. Box Plot of Hours Worked per Week for Full- and Part-Time Employment by Handicap and Graduation Status



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

NOTE: * Hours Worked per Week in excess of 60 are not displayed.

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Table 27. Reported Hours Worked per Week for Full- and Part-Time Employment by Handicap Status and Gender

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--------|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| JOB STATUS FEBRUARY 1984 | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| FULL-TIME JOB | MALE | 1715 | 40.93 | 13.37 | 20.5 | 1147 | 41.56 | 12.47 | 13.7 |
| | FEMALE | 1307 | 35.14 | 11.64 | 15.6 | 705 | 35.72 | 11.81 | 8.4 |
| PART-TIME JOB | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 866 | 26.41 | 11.58 | 10.3 | 581 | 25.26 | 12.43 | 6.9 |
| | FEMALE | 1301 | 23.01 | 10.99 | 15.5 | 763 | 23.51 | 11.13 | 9.1 |
| TOTAL | | 5189 | 32.56 | 14.14 | 61.9 | 3196 | 33.00 | 14.30 | 38.1 |

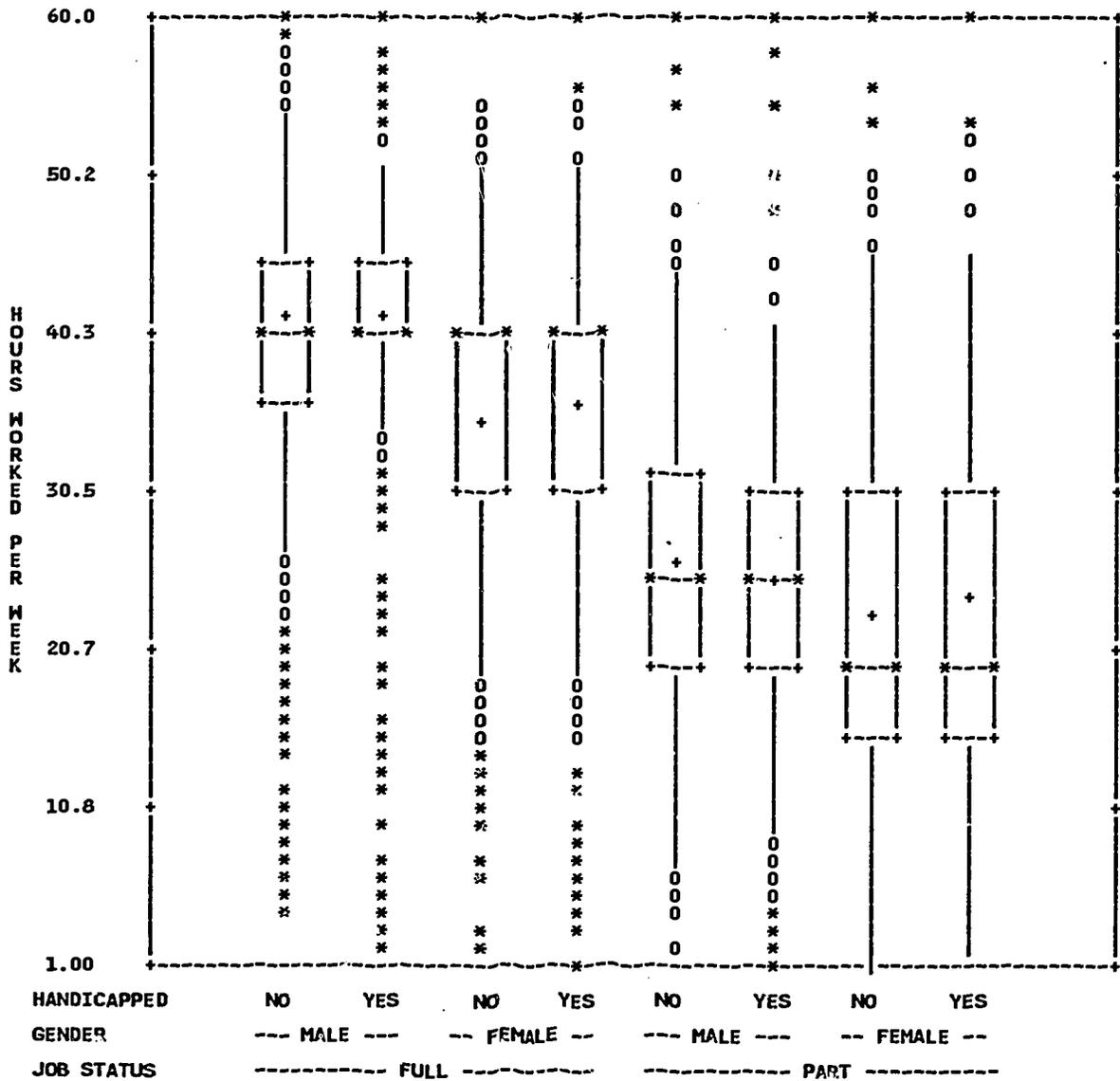
SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

EXHIBIT for Table 27 and Figure 42:

Males, regardless of handicap status, reported working more hours per week on the average than their female counterparts. Handicapped students reported working slightly more than their nonhandicapped counterparts in full-time jobs.

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Figure 42. Box Plot of Hours Worked per Week for Full- and Part-Time Employment by Handicap Status and Gender



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

NOTE: * Hours Worked per Week in excess of 60 are not displayed

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Table 28. Reported Hours Worked per Week for Ethnicity by Handicap Status and High School Graduation Status

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|-----------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|--------|-------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------|-------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| ETHNICITY | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| HISPANIC | DROPOUT | 295 | 36.43 | 13.34 | 2.5 | 247 | 37.03 | 15.83 | 2.1 |
| | GRADUATE | 1168 | 31.17 | 13.84 | 9.7 | 844 | 32.86 | 13.44 | 7.0 |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| AM INDIAN | DROPOUT | * 14 | *37.21 | 13.92 | 0.1 | * 22 | *36.05 | 19.79 | 0.2 |
| | GRADUATE | 88 | 36.07 | 14.40 | 0.7 | 81 | 34.69 | 14.67 | 0.7 |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| ASIAN | DROPOUT | * 15 | *38.07 | 17.10 | 0.1 | * 11 | *36.18 | 13.23 | 0.1 |
| | GRADUATE | 166 | 26.93 | 12.99 | 1.4 | 142 | 27.75 | 15.95 | 1.2 |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| BLACK | DROPOUT | 172 | 35.65 | 15.39 | 1.4 | 116 | 35.75 | 13.63 | 1.0 |
| | GRADUATE | 755 | 30.85 | 14.00 | 6.3 | 419 | 30.24 | 13.47 | 3.5 |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| WHITE | DROPOUT | 683 | 37.18 | 13.40 | 5.7 | 442 | 37.97 | 14.90 | 3.7 |
| | GRADUATE | 4065 | 31.84 | 13.74 | 33.9 | 2235 | 31.87 | 14.13 | 18.7 |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL | | 7421 | 32.36 | 13.93 | 61.9 | 4559 | 32.82 | 14.39 | 38.1 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

EXHIBIT for Table 28:

For both nonhandicapped and handicapped young adults, dropouts worked more hours per week on their first job in contrast to graduates.

Young adults who were classified as handicapped worked slightly more hours per week on the average. Similar patterns were evident across all ethnic groups.

NOTE: * Cells with fewer than 25 observations should be interpreted with caution.

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Table 29. Reported Duration of First Job (in years) for Full- and Part-Time Employment by Handicap Status and High School Graduation Status

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| JOB STATUS FEBRUARY 1984 | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 585 | 1.54 | 1.36 | 6.9 | 407 | 1.54 | 1.38 | 4.8 |
| FULL-TIME JOB | GRADUATE | 2417 | 1.61 | 1.33 | 28.3 | 1444 | 1.67 | 1.41 | 16.9 |
| | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| PART-TIME JOB | DROPOUT | 164 | 1.34 | 1.39 | 1.9 | 134 | 1.42 | 1.49 | 1.6 |
| | GRADUATE | 2115 | 1.73 | 1.44 | 24.8 | 1272 | 1.60 | 1.39 | 14.9 |
| TOTAL | | 5281 | 1.64 | 1.38 | 61.9 | 3257 | 1.62 | 1.40 | 38.1 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

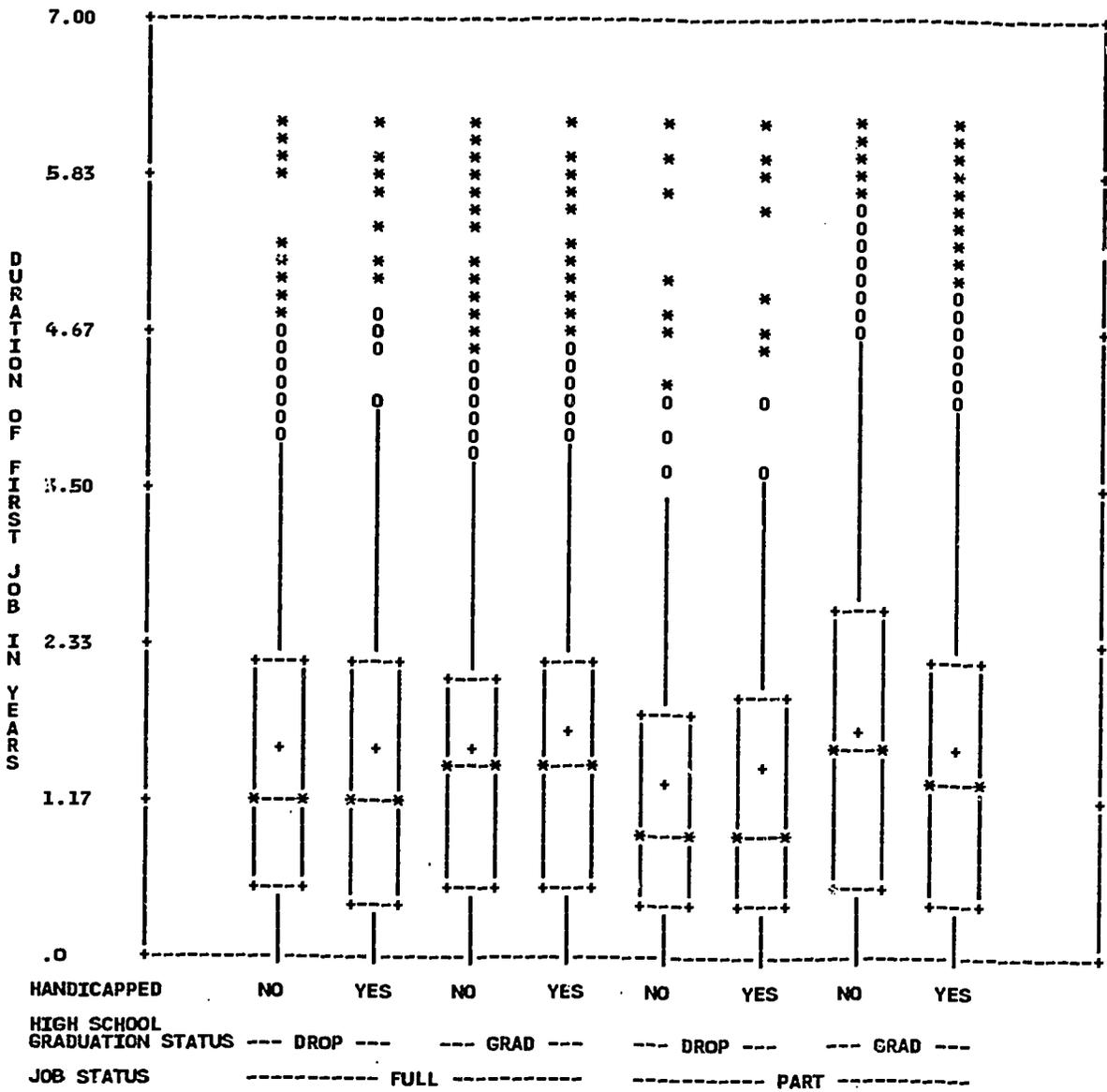
EXHIBIT for Table 29 and Figure 43:

Dropouts, regardless of handicap status had a slightly shorter average tenure on their first job.

There were some distinct differences between nonhandicapped and handicapped young adults with regard to duration of first job. For instance, according to the box plots, nonhandicapped and handicapped graduates in part-time positions retained their first job longer than their dropout counterparts. Nonhandicapped graduates in part-time jobs remained on their jobs longer than their handicapped graduate counterparts.

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Figure 43. Box Plot of Duration of Employment by Handicap and Graduation Status



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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Table 30. Reported Duration of First Job (in years) for Full- and Part-Time Employment by Handicap Status and Gender

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--------|------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| JOB STATUS FEBRUARY 1984 | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| FULL-TIME JOB | MALE | 1696 | 1.70 | 1.42 | 19.9 | 1143 | 1.75 | 1.47 | 13.4 |
| | FEMALE | 1306 | 1.46 | 1.20 | 15.3 | 709 | 1.48 | 1.27 | 8.3 |
| PART-TIME JOB | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 928 | 1.85 | 1.57 | 10.9 | 617 | 1.77 | 1.54 | 7.2 |
| | FEMALE | 1351 | 1.60 | 1.33 | 15.8 | 790 | 1.43 | 1.26 | 9.3 |
| TOTAL | | 5281 | 1.64 | 1.38 | 61.8 | 3259 | 1.62 | 1.40 | 38.2 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

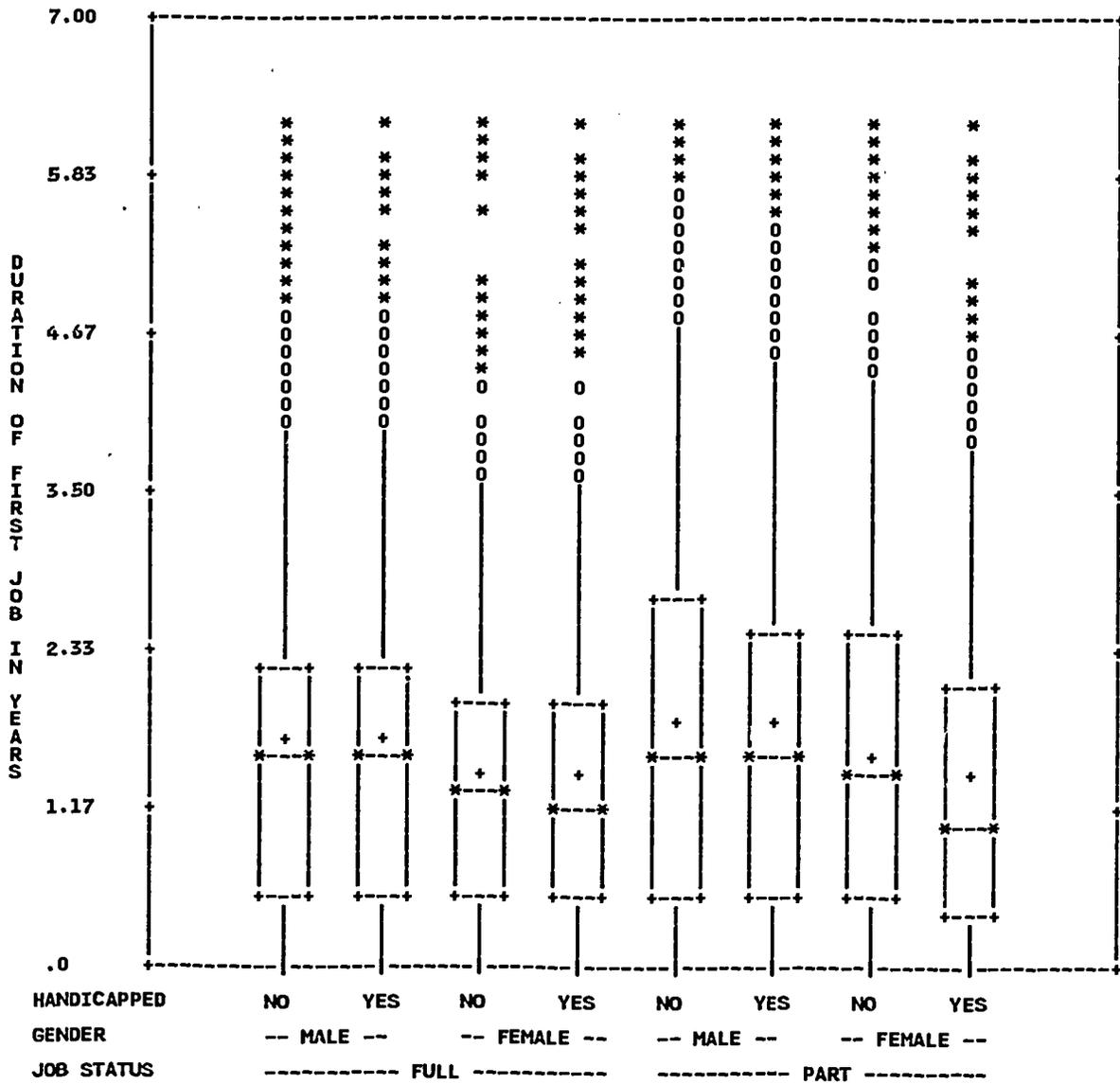
EXHIBIT for Table 30 and Figure 44:

Nonhandicapped and handicapped young adults appeared to stay at their part-time jobs slightly longer than those in full-time jobs.

Regardless of handicapping status, males remained at their jobs longer than their female peers.

There appeared to be no sizeable difference between handicapped and nonhandicapped young adults with regard to average duration of employment at their first job.

Figure 44. Box Plot of Duration of First Job for Handicap Status and Gender



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

Table 31. Reported Duration of First Job (in years) for Ethnicity by Handicap Status and High School Graduation Status

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|-------|-------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------|-------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| ETHNICITY HISPANIC | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 294 | 1.32 | 1.34 | 2.4 | 245 | 1.29 | 1.31 | 2.0 |
| | GRADUATE | 1199 | 1.31 | 1.20 | 9.8 | 869 | 1.29 | 1.27 | 7.1 |
| AM INDIAN | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | * 13 | *1.04 | *1.26 | 0.1 | * 24 | *1.33 | *1.59 | 0.2 |
| | GRADUATE | 90 | 1.04 | 1.22 | 0.7 | 83 | 1.11 | 1.36 | 0.7 |
| ASIAN | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | * 14 | *1.76 | *1.11 | 0.1 | * 11 | *0.78 | *0.84 | 0.1 |
| | GRADUATE | 173 | 1.36 | 1.45 | 1.4 | 143 | 1.34 | 1.27 | 1.2 |
| BLACK | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 176 | 1.08 | 1.04 | 1.4 | 119 | 1.39 | 1.40 | 1.0 |
| | GRADUATE | 781 | 1.03 | 1.12 | 6.4 | 433 | 1.02 | 0.99 | 3.6 |
| WHITE | HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| | DROPOUT | 688 | 1.24 | 1.28 | 5.6 | 445 | 1.25 | 1.30 | 3.7 |
| | GRADUATE | 4117 | 1.55 | 1.40 | 33.8 | 2266 | 1.54 | 1.42 | 18.6 |
| TOTAL | | 7545 | 1.40 | 1.33 | 61.9 | 4638 | 1.38 | 1.34 | 38.1 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

NOTE: * Cells with fewer than 25 observations should be interpreted with caution.

EXHIBIT for Table 31:

There does not appear to be any substantial difference between nonhandicapped and handicapped young adults on duration of employment at their first job.

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Occupational Classification of First Job After High School

Recognizable patterns of employment do exist between young adults who identify themselves as handicapped and nonhandicapped. These are shown in Figure 45.

In contrast with nonhandicapped youth, handicapped individuals were less likely in their first jobs after high school to be in managerial (2.53% vs. 2.35%), sales (12.05% vs. 10.10%), clerical (24.47% vs. 22.40%), and transport operative (2.06% vs. 1.80%) positions. The managerial positions include: managers, administrators, construction inspectors, building superintendents, and purchasing agents. Sales workers comprise such jobs as: advertising agents and salespersons, insurance and real estate agents and brokers, general sales personnel and clerks. The clerical trades include such jobs as: bank tellers, billing clerks, bookkeepers, cashiers, clerical assistants, collectors, counter clerks, file clerks, mail carriers, receptionists, secretaries, teacher aides, and miscellaneous clerical workers. Transport equipment operatives include jobs such as: bus drivers, conductors, delivery persons and route persons, parking attendants, taxicab drivers, and truck drivers.

Handicapped young adults were more likely to hold jobs as craftsmen, operatives, non-farm labor, farmers, farm-labor, service workers, and jobs in private households. Compared to those positions taken by nonhandicapped young adults, these positions required less professional and managerial orientation, less educational attainment, and possessed less occupational status. Some of these jobs include: carpenters, apprentices, printing trades, machinists, painters and apprentices, tailors, upholsterers, assemblers, animal caretakers, freight and material handlers, teamsters, laborers, farmers, farm labor, cleaning service workers, personal service workers, child care workers, housekeepers, maids and servants.

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Figure 45. Profile of Reported First Job Occupational Status by Handicap Status

| HANDICAP STATUS | JOB TITLE | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|-----------------|---------------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| NONHANDICAP | PROFESSIONAL | 268 | 268 | 3.61 | 3.61 |
| | MANAGERIAL | 188 | 456 | 2.53 | 6.15 |
| | SALES | 894 | 1350 | 12.05 | 18.20 |
| | CLERICAL | 1817 | 3167 | 24.49 | 42.69 |
| | CRAFTMEN | 475 | 3642 | 6.40 | 49.10 |
| | OPERATIVE | 495 | 4137 | 6.67 | 55.77 |
| | TRANOPERATIVE | 153 | 4290 | 2.06 | 57.83 |
| | NONFARM LABOR | 800 | 5090 | 10.78 | 68.62 |
| | FARMER | 5 | 5095 | 0.07 | 68.68 |
| | FARM LABOR | 166 | 5261 | 2.24 | 70.92 |
| | SERVICE | 2107 | 7368 | 28.40 | 99.33 |
| PRIVHSE | 50 | 7418 | 0.67 | 100.00 | |
| HANDICAP | PROFESSIONAL | 166 | 166 | 3.65 | 3.65 |
| | MANAGERIAL | 107 | 273 | 2.35 | 5.99 |
| | SALES | 460 | 733 | 10.10 | 16.10 |
| | CLERICAL | 1020 | 1753 | 22.40 | 38.49 |
| | CRAFTMEN | 304 | 2057 | 6.68 | 45.17 |
| | OPERATIVE | 351 | 2408 | 7.71 | 52.88 |
| | TRANOPERATIVE | 82 | 2490 | 1.80 | 54.68 |
| | NONFARM LABOR | 538 | 3028 | 11.81 | 66.49 |
| | FARMER | 6 | 3034 | 0.13 | 66.62 |
| | FARM LABOR | 121 | 3155 | 2.66 | 69.28 |
| | SERVICE | 1340 | 4495 | 29.42 | 98.70 |
| PRIVHSE | 59 | 4554 | 1.30 | 100.00 | |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

Table 32. Reported Hourly Earnings (in dollars) of First Job Classification by Handicap Status

| | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-------|-------|-------------------------|-----------------|-------|-------|-------------------------|
| | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| FIRST JOB CLASSIFICATION | | | | | | | | |
| PROFESSIONAL | 223 | 4.47 | 3.00 | 2.1 | 140 | 4.42 | 2.97 | 1.3 |
| MANAGERIAL | 162 | 4.06 | 2.24 | 1.5 | 98 | 4.28 | 2.71 | 0.9 |
| SALES | 811 | 3.70 | 1.91 | 7.5 | 422 | 3.85 | 2.00 | 3.9 |
| CLERICAL | 1654 | 3.97 | 1.80 | 15.3 | 918 | 4.00 | 2.17 | 8.5 |
| CRAFT | 431 | 4.49 | 2.39 | 4.0 | 263 | 4.41 | 2.12 | 2.4 |
| OPERATIVE | 453 | 4.34 | 2.13 | 4.2 | 328 | 4.30 | 2.11 | 3.0 |
| TRANOPERATIVES | 144 | 4.40 | 2.02 | 1.3 | 72 | 4.14 | 2.07 | 0.7 |
| NONFARMLABOR | 752 | 4.30 | 2.18 | 7.0 | 483 | 4.38 | 2.17 | 4.5 |
| FARMER | * 2 | *3.80 | *4.45 | * 0.0 | * 5 | *5.04 | *3.22 | * 0.0 |
| FARM LABOR | 126 | 3.60 | 1.88 | 1.2 | 86 | 3.28 | 2.09 | 0.8 |
| SERVICE | 1912 | 3.66 | 1.79 | 17.7 | 1206 | 3.65 | 2.03 | 11.2 |
| PRIVATE HSEHOLD | 41 | 2.70 | 3.05 | 0.4 | 44 | 2.39 | 1.32 | 0.4 |
| TOTAL | 6711 | 3.96 | 2.02 | 62.3 | 4065 | 3.97 | 2.17 | 37.7 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

NOTE: * Cells with fewer than 25 observations should be interpreted with caution.
EXHIBIT for Table 32:

Regardless of handicap status, in little over half the jobs, dropouts indicated higher hourly earnings than their graduate counterparts. This may be a by-product of their being in the job market longer than their graduate counterparts and working longer hours (not depicted in this table).

There was no substantial difference between nonhandicapped and handicapped workers with regard to the average hourly earnings for the first job. Jobs that paid more than average included: professional trades, managerial, clerical, craftsmen, operative positions, transport equipment operatives and non-farm labor.

Table 33. Reported Hourly Earnings (in dollars) of First Job Classification by Handicap Status and Gender

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|--------|-----------------|--------|-------|-------------------------|-----------------|--------|-------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| FIRST JOB CLASSIFICATION | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| PROFESSIONAL | MALE | 111 | 4.55 | 2.85 | 1.0 | 66 | 4.62 | 2.53 | 0.6 |
| | FEMALE | 112 | 4.39 | 3.15 | 1.0 | 74 | 4.24 | 3.32 | 0.7 |
| MANAGERIAL | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 83 | 4.37 | 2.87 | 0.8 | 58 | 3.92 | 1.66 | 0.5 |
| | FEMALE | 79 | 3.74 | 1.25 | 0.7 | 40 | 4.80 | 3.70 | 0.4 |
| SALES | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 255 | 3.83 | 1.67 | 2.4 | 176 | 3.85 | 1.62 | 1.6 |
| | FEMALE | 556 | 3.64 | 2.01 | 5.2 | 246 | 3.84 | 2.23 | 2.3 |
| CLERICAL | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 324 | 4.11 | 1.79 | 3.0 | 188 | 4.10 | 2.05 | 1.7 |
| | FEMALE | 1330 | 3.93 | 1.80 | 12.3 | 730 | 3.98 | 2.20 | 6.8 |
| CRAFT | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 395 | 4.52 | 2.39 | 3.7 | 244 | 4.46 | 2.16 | 2.3 |
| | FEMALE | 36 | 4.14 | 2.39 | 0.3 | * 19 | *3.79 | *1.75 | * 0.2 |
| OPERATIVE | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 308 | 4.50 | 2.32 | 2.9 | 230 | 4.45 | 2.30 | 2.1 |
| | FEMALE | 145 | 4.01 | 1.63 | 1.3 | 98 | 3.93 | 1.55 | 0.9 |
| TRANSPORTATIVE | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 134 | 4.41 | 1.98 | 1.2 | 66 | 4.00 | 1.46 | 0.6 |
| | FEMALE | * 10 | * 4.29 | *2.61 | * 0.1 | * 6 | *5.67 | *5.48 | * 0.1 |
| NONFARM LABOR | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 667 | 4.35 | 2.22 | 6.2 | 432 | 4.44 | 2.14 | 4.0 |
| | FEMALE | 85 | 3.93 | 1.79 | 0.8 | 51 | 3.90 | 2.37 | 0.5 |
| FARMER | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | * 2 | *3.80 | *4.45 | * 0.0 | * 4 | *3.69 | *1.33 | * 0.0 |
| | FEMALE | | | | | * 1 | *10.42 | * | * 0.0 |
| FARM LABOR | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 113 | 3.54 | 1.57 | 1.0 | 73 | 3.42 | 2.17 | 0.7 |
| | FEMALE | * 13 | *4.11 | *3.67 | * 0.1 | * 13 | *2.49 | *1.31 | * 0.1 |
| SERVICE | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 813 | 3.71 | 1.65 | 7.5 | 538 | 3.65 | 1.73 | 5.0 |
| | FEMALE | 1099 | 3.62 | 1.88 | 10.2 | 668 | 3.65 | 2.25 | 6.2 |
| PRIVATE HOUSEHOLD | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | * 0 | | | 0.0 | * 1 | 4.76 | | 0.0 |
| | FEMALE | 41 | 2.70 | 3.05 | 0.4 | 43 | 2.34 | 1.28 | 0.4 |
| TOTAL | | 6711 | 3.96 | 2.02 | 62.3 | 4065 | 3.97 | 2.17 | 37.7 |

EXHIBIT for Table 33:

Regardless of handicap status, males reported earning more money per hour than their female peers. Again, as with graduate status there was no substantial difference in the hourly earnings between nonhandicapped and handicapped workers (not depicted in this table).

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

NOTE: * Cells with fewer than 25 observations should be interpreted with caution.

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Table 34. Reported Hours Worked per Week for First Job Classification by Handicap Status

| FIRST JOB CLASSIFICATION | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------|-------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------|-------|-------------------------|
| | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| PROFESSIONAL | 261 | 30.68 | 18.09 | 2.2 | 163 | 31.36 | 19.34 | 1.4 |
| MANAGERIAL | 184 | 39.34 | 12.99 | 1.6 | 107 | 38.27 | 14.34 | 0.9 |
| SALES | 863 | 27.53 | 12.28 | 7.4 | 448 | 28.74 | 12.93 | 3.9 |
| CLERICAL | 1775 | 29.93 | 12.12 | 15.3 | 995 | 29.65 | 12.38 | 8.6 |
| CRAFT | 464 | 39.58 | 12.53 | 4.0 | 292 | 39.55 | 11.58 | 2.5 |
| OPERATIVE | 477 | 38.10 | 11.70 | 4.1 | 345 | 39.32 | 11.73 | 3.0 |
| TRANOPERATIVES | 150 | 36.67 | 15.76 | 1.3 | 80 | 35.38 | 14.91 | 0.7 |
| NONFARMLABOR | 781 | 34.45 | 12.52 | 6.7 | 517 | 36.01 | 14.15 | 4.4 |
| FARMER | * 4 | *63.75 | 11.09 | * 0.0 | * 6 | *51.83 | 22.31 | * 0.1 |
| FARM LABOR | 161 | 44.12 | 17.76 | 1.4 | 115 | 44.57 | 22.03 | 1.0 |
| SERVICE | 2040 | 29.69 | 12.67 | 17.5 | 1304 | 30.10 | 12.89 | 11.2 |
| PRIVATE HSEHOLD | 46 | 24.85 | 16.63 | 0.4 | 55 | 30.09 | 18.59 | 0.5 |
| TOTAL | 7206 | 31.94 | 13.55 | 61.9 | 4427 | 32.64 | 14.20 | 38.1 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

NOTE: * cells with less than 25 observations should be interpreted with caution.

EXHIBIT for Table 34:

Handicapped workers tended to work slightly more hours per week than their nonhandicapped peers.

In most cases, regardless of handicap status, dropouts worked more hours than graduate counterparts. It may be that graduates, like nonhandicapped workers do tend to be involved in post-secondary education to a greater extent, and therefore have a competing factor for their time and energy. (not depicted in this table)

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Table 35. Reported Hours Worked per Week for First Job Classification by Handicap Status and Gender

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|--------|-----------------------|--------|-------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------|-------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD. | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD. | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| FIRST JOB CLASSIFICATION | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| PROFESSIONAL | MALE | 129 | 34.22 | 17.55 | 1.1 | 80 | 34.16 | 18.30 | 0.7 |
| | FEMALE | 132 | 27.21 | 18.00 | 1.1 | 83 | 28.66 | 20.02 | 0.7 |
| MANAGERIAL | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 99 | 41.48 | 14.94 | 0.9 | 61 | 41.15 | 14.67 | 0.5 |
| | FEMALE | 85 | 36.85 | 9.76 | 0.7 | 46 | 34.46 | 13.08 | 0.4 |
| SALES | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 270 | 30.65 | 13.20 | 2.3 | 187 | 32.19 | 13.98 | 1.6 |
| | FEMALE | 593 | 26.10 | 11.58 | 5.1 | 261 | 26.27 | 11.54 | 2.2 |
| CLERICAL | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 343 | 31.03 | 11.98 | 2.9 | 200 | 31.74 | 12.93 | 1.7 |
| | FEMALE | 1432 | 29.67 | 12.15 | 12.3 | 795 | 29.13 | 12.19 | 6.8 |
| CRAFT | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 421 | 40.24 | 12.26 | 3.6 | 271 | 39.70 | 11.82 | 2.3 |
| | FEMALE | 43 | 33.09 | 13.35 | 0.4 | * 21 | *37.57 | *7.78 | * 0.2 |
| OPERATIVE | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 322 | 38.74 | 12.27 | 2.8 | 239 | 40.13 | 12.50 | 2.1 |
| | FEMALE | 155 | 36.76 | 10.33 | 1.3 | 106 | 37.48 | 9.59 | 0.9 |
| TRANSPOR-TATIVE | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 140 | 37.11 | 15.17 | 1.2 | 74 | 36.00 | 14.81 | 0.6 |
| | FEMALE | * 10 | *30.40 | 22.64 | * 0.1 | * 6 | *27.67 | 15.27 | * 0.1 |
| NON-FARM LABOR | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 691 | 34.88 | 12.22 | 5.9 | 463 | 36.67 | 13.79 | 4.0 |
| | FEMALE | 90 | 31.13 | 14.29 | 0.8 | 54 | 30.41 | 15.97 | 0.5 |
| FARMER | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | * 4 | *63.75 | 11.09 | * 0.0 | * 5 | *50.20 | 24.54 | * 0.0 |
| | FEMALE | | | | | * 1 | *60.00 | | * 0.0 |
| FARM LABOR | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 138 | 46.52 | 17.27 | 1.2 | 94 | 47.31 | 21.33 | 0.8 |
| | FEMALE | * 23 | *29.74 | 13.53 | * 0.2 | * 21 | *32.33 | 21.40 | * 0.2 |
| SERVICE | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 866 | 31.15 | 12.32 | 7.4 | 579 | 31.31 | 13.06 | 5.0 |
| | FEMALE | 1174 | 28.62 | 12.83 | 10.1 | 726 | 29.14 | 12.68 | 6.2 |
| PRIVATE HSEHOLD | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | * 1 | *40.00 | | * 0.0 | * 2 | *31.50 | 14.85 | * 0.0 |
| | FEMALE | 45 | 24.51 | 16.66 | 0.4 | 53 | 30.04 | 18.83 | 0.5 |
| TOTAL | | 7206 | 31.94 | 13.55 | 61.9 | 4427 | 32.64 | 14.20 | 36.1 |

NOTE: * cells with fewer than 25 observations should be interpreted with caution.

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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EXHIBIT for Table 35:

In all cases, except one, male workers, regardless of handicap status worked longer hours per week than their female counterparts.

Handicapped workers worked slightly more hours per week (32.6 hours) than their nonhandicapped peers (31.9 hours).

Jobs requiring more hours than the average included managerial fields, craft trades, operatives, farming and farm labor.

Table 36. Reported Duration of Employment of First Job Classification by Handicap Status

| | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|
| | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| FIRST JOB CLASSIFICATION | | | | | | | | |
| PROFESSIONAL | 265 | 1.14 | 1.26 | 2.2 | 166 | 1.31 | 1.38 | 1.4 |
| MANAGERIAL | 181 | 1.99 | 1.56 | 1.5 | 106 | 2.03 | 1.50 | 0.9 |
| SALES | 886 | 1.51 | 1.32 | 7.5 | 454 | 1.40 | 1.27 | 3.8 |
| CLERICAL | 1804 | 1.30 | 1.18 | 15.3 | 1013 | 1.22 | 1.18 | 8.6 |
| CRAFT | 467 | 1.63 | 1.50 | 4.0 | 299 | 1.48 | 1.43 | 2.5 |
| OPERATIVE | 485 | 1.26 | 1.28 | 4.1 | 343 | 1.26 | 1.28 | 2.9 |
| TRANOPERATIVE | 148 | 1.41 | 1.16 | 1.3 | 82 | 1.41 | 1.26 | 0.7 |
| NON-FARM LABOR | 791 | 1.39 | 1.44 | 6.7 | 533 | 1.36 | 1.33 | 4.5 |
| FARMER | * | * | * | 0.0 | * | * | * | 0.1 |
| FARM LABOR | 154 | 2.56 | 2.26 | 1.3 | 116 | 2.63 | 2.37 | 1.0 |
| SERVICE | 2079 | 1.31 | 1.25 | 17.6 | 1320 | 1.38 | 1.32 | 11.2 |
| PRIVATE HSEHOLD | 49 | 1.54 | 1.83 | 0.4 | 57 | 1.11 | 1.24 | 0.5 |
| TOTAL | 7314 | 1.40 | 1.34 | 61.9 | 4495 | 1.38 | 1.36 | 38.1 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

NOTE: * cells with less than 25 observations are not shown.

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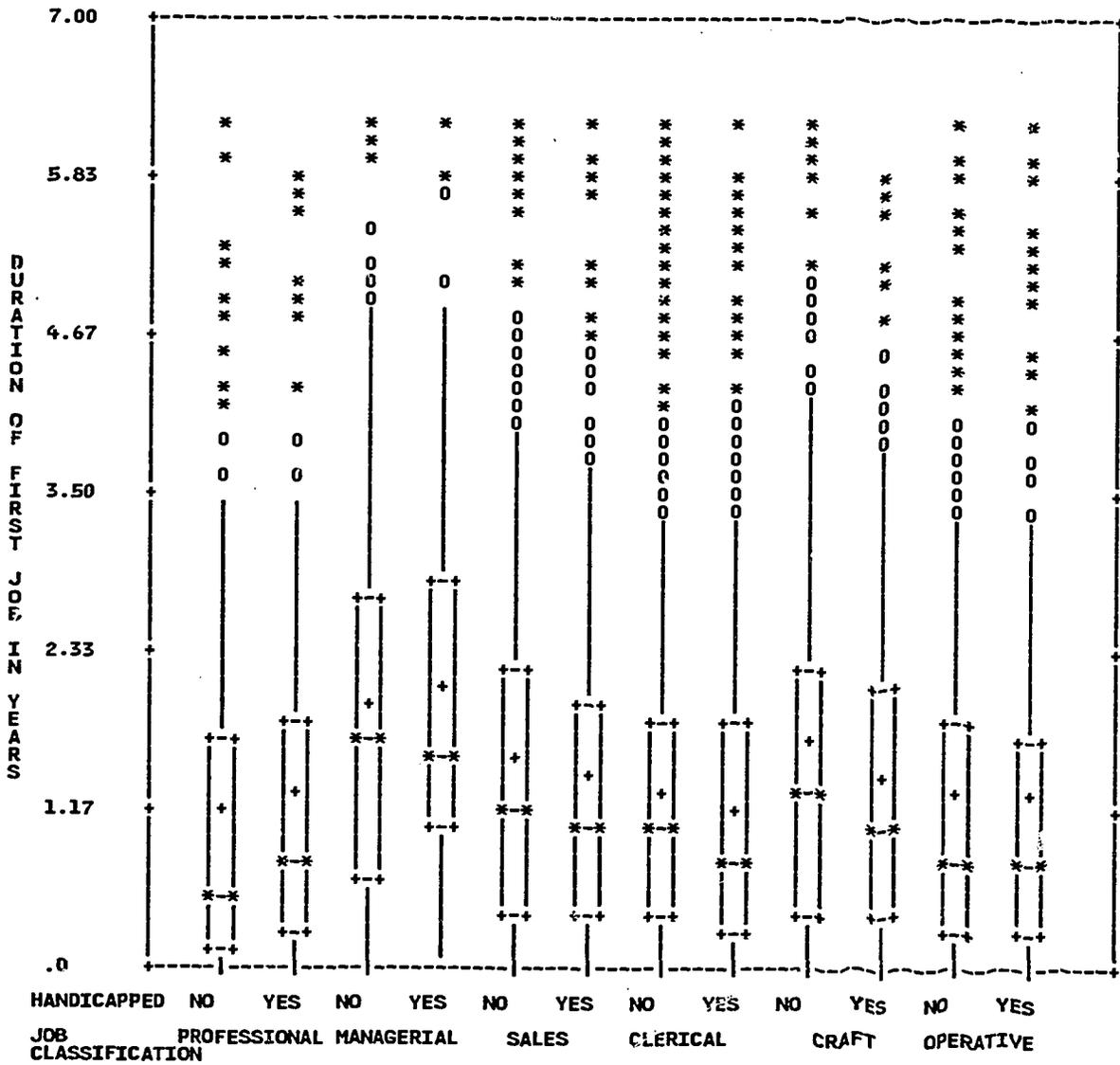
EXHIBIT for Table 36 and Figures 46 and 47:

Regardless of handicap status, the most common job classification for a first job was in the service trade (17.6% nonhandicapped and 11.2% handicapped) category. This includes jobs related to cleaning service, food service, health service, personal and protective service. The second most prevalent job classification for both nonhandicapped and handicapped young adults involved the clerical trade (15.3% nonhandicapped and 8.6% handicapped). Workers in this group include clerks, cashiers, dispatchers, file clerks, mail carriers, office machine operative, receptionists, secretaries, and teacher's aides. The third most prevalent job category was sales for nonhandicapped individuals (7.5%) and non-farm labor for handicapped persons (4.5%).

In a majority of jobs, regardless of handicap status, graduates had longer periods of employment at their first job, nonhandicapped workers remained on the job only slightly longer than their handicapped counterparts.

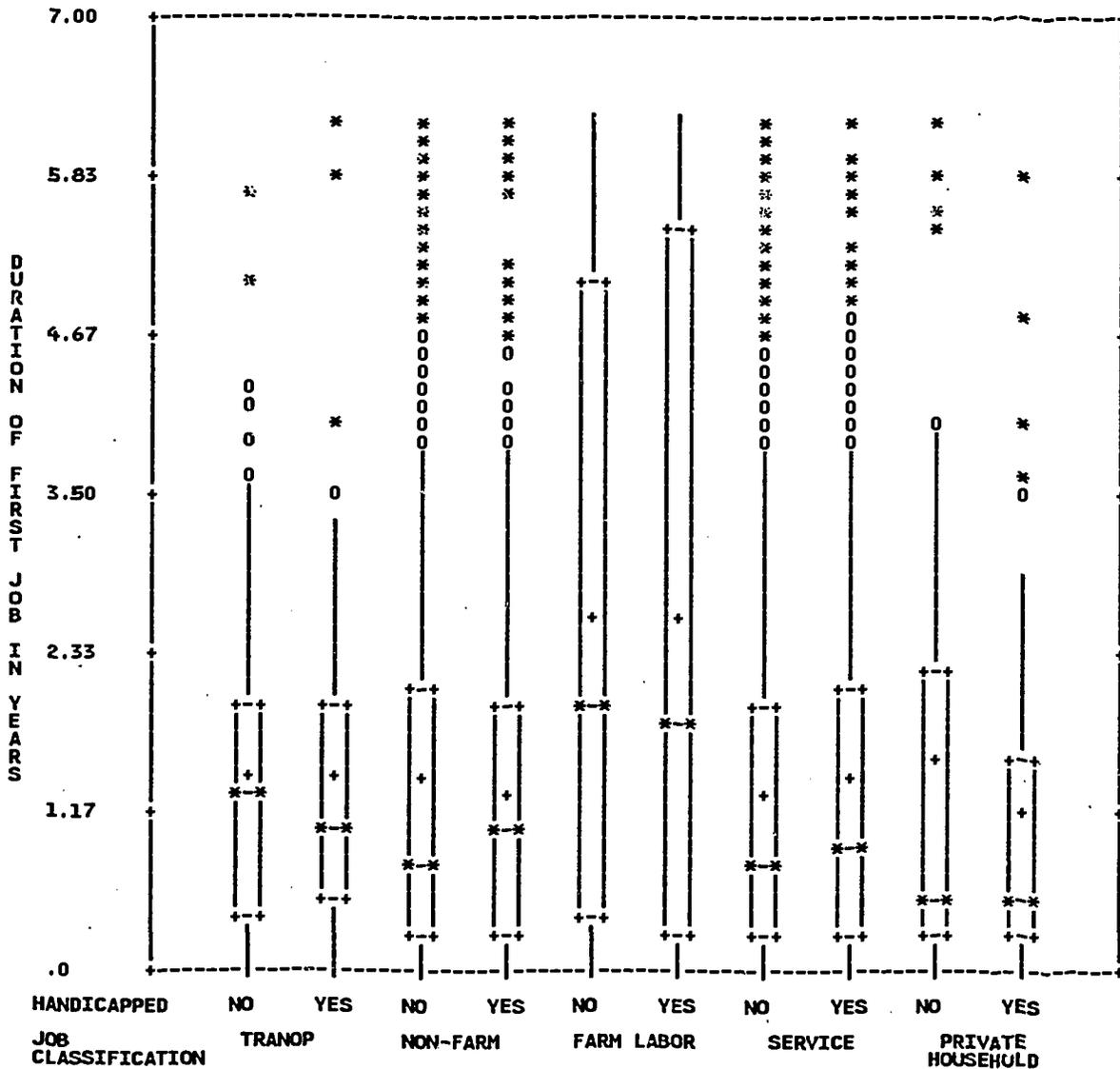
Regardless of handicap status, young adults in managerial positions, crafts, farming, and farm labor remained at their jobs far longer than the average worker.

Figure 46. Box Plot of Duration of Employment (in years) for First Job Classification by Handicap Status



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

Figure 47. Box Plot of Duration of Employment (in years) for First Job Classification by Handicap Status (Continued)



SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

Table 37. Reported Duration of Employment of First Job Classification by Handicap Status and Gender

| | | HANDICAP STATUS | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|--------|------------------------|-------|-------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------|-------|-------------------------|
| | | NONHANDICAP | | | | HANDICAP | | | |
| | | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | |
| | | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STD | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| FIRST JOB CLASSIFICATION | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| PROFESSIONAL | MALE | 130 | 1.16 | 1.25 | 1.1 | 83 | 1.53 | 1.39 | 0.7 |
| | FEMALE | 135 | 1.11 | 1.27 | 1.1 | 83 | 1.09 | 1.35 | 0.7 |
| MANAGERIAL | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 97 | 2.15 | 1.70 | 0.8 | 61 | 2.23 | 1.54 | 0.5 |
| | FEMALE | 84 | 1.81 | 1.37 | 0.7 | 45 | 1.76 | 1.42 | 0.4 |
| SALES | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 277 | 1.58 | 1.44 | 2.3 | 185 | 1.64 | 1.51 | 1.6 |
| | FEMALE | 609 | 1.47 | 1.26 | 5.2 | 269 | 1.22 | 1.05 | 2.3 |
| CLERICAL | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 346 | 1.42 | 1.31 | 2.9 | 203 | 1.29 | 1.29 | 1.7 |
| | FEMALE | 1458 | 1.27 | 1.15 | 12.3 | 810 | 1.20 | 1.15 | 6.9 |
| CRAFT | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 423 | 1.66 | 1.52 | 3.6 | 277 | 1.51 | 1.43 | 2.3 |
| | FEMALE | 44 | 1.30 | 1.25 | 0.4 | * 22 | *1.15 | *1.31 | * 0.2 |
| OPERATIVE | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 327 | 1.37 | 1.34 | 2.8 | 239 | 1.43 | 1.35 | 2.0 |
| | FEMALE | 158 | 1.03 | 1.09 | 1.3 | 104 | 0.86 | 0.99 | 0.9 |
| TRANOPERATIVES | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 138 | 1.41 | 1.15 | 1.2 | 76 | 1.40 | 1.27 | 0.6 |
| | FEMALE | * 10 | *1.40 | *1.31 | * 0.1 | * 6 | *1.46 | *1.29 | * 0.1 |
| NONFARM LABOR | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 698 | 1.43 | 1.45 | 5.9 | 477 | 1.39 | 1.35 | 4.0 |
| | FEMALE | 93 | 1.14 | 1.35 | 0.8 | 56 | 1.06 | 1.11 | 0.5 |
| FARMER | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | * 5 | *3.63 | *1.78 | * 0.0 | * 5 | *4.03 | *2.28 | * 0.0 |
| | FEMALE | | | | | * 1 | *2.17 | | * 0.0 |
| FARM LABOR | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 132 | 2.54 | 2.21 | 1.1 | 95 | 2.56 | 2.34 | 0.8 |
| | FEMALE | * 22 | *2.69 | *2.60 | * 0.2 | * 21 | *2.96 | *2.55 | * 0.2 |
| SERVICE | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | 880 | 1.35 | 1.32 | 7.5 | 583 | 1.53 | 1.42 | 4.9 |
| | FEMALE | 1199 | 1.27 | 1.20 | 10.2 | 737 | 1.26 | 1.22 | 6.2 |
| PRIVATE HOUSEHOLD | GENDER | | | | | | | | |
| | MALE | * 1 | *1.33 | * . | * 0.0 | * 2 | *2.00 | *2.83 | * 0.0 |
| | FEMALE | 48 | 1.54 | 1.85 | 0.4 | 55 | 1.08 | 1.19 | 0.5 |
| TOTAL | | 7314 | 1.40 | 1.34 | 61.9 | 4495 | 1.38 | 1.36 | 38.1 |

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NOTE: * cells with fewer than 25 observations should be interpreted with caution.

EXHIBIT for Table 37:

The most common jobs were found first in service trades, followed by clerical for both handicapped and nonhandicapped young adults. The third most prevalent job was in sales for nonhandicapped persons and non-farm labor for handicapped individuals. The non-farm labor category includes such jobs as: construction laborers, fishermen, freight and material handlers, stock handlers, teamsters and miscellaneous laborers.

The job classification patterns appear to be traditional for males and females. Females held a greater number of clerical, service, and sales positions. Males could be found in greater numbers in service trades, non-farm labor, and craftsmen trades. Craftsmen trades include: bakers, auto accessory installers, carpenters, mechanics and repair persons.

Figure 49. Profile of How First Job Was Found by Handicap and Graduation Status

| HANDICAP-GRADUATION STATUS | SOURCE OF REFERRAL | | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|----------------------------|--------------------|-------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| NONHANDICAP DROP | SCHOOL SERVICE | ** | 48 | 48 | 4.02 | 4.02 |
| | PUB EMPLOY SERVI | ** | 41 | 89 | 3.43 | 7.45 |
| | PRIV EMPLOY SERV | | 8 | 97 | 0.67 | 8.12 |
| | NEWS ADVERTISE | **** | 86 | 183 | 7.20 | 15.31 |
| | EMPLOYER DIRECT | ***** | 317 | 500 | 26.53 | 41.84 |
| | RELATIVE | ***** | 282 | 782 | 23.60 | 65.44 |
| | FRIEND | ***** | 336 | 1118 | 28.12 | 93.56 |
| | CIVIL SERVICE AP | | 5 | 1123 | 0.42 | 93.97 |
| | OTHER | *** | 70 | 1193 | 5.86 | 99.83 |
| UNION REGIST | | 2 | 1195 | 0.17 | 100.00 | |
| NONHANDICAP GRAD | SCHOOL SERVICE | **** | 546 | 546 | 8.71 | 8.71 |
| | PUB EMPLOY SERVI | * | 126 | 672 | 2.01 | 10.72 |
| | PRIV EMPLOY SERV | | 45 | 717 | 0.72 | 11.44 |
| | NEWS ADVERTISE | *** | 353 | 1070 | 5.63 | 17.07 |
| | EMPLOYER DIRECT | ***** | 1600 | 2670 | 25.53 | 42.60 |
| | RELATIVE | ***** | 1429 | 4099 | 22.80 | 65.40 |
| | FRIEND | ***** | 1737 | 5836 | 27.71 | 93.11 |
| | CIVIL SERVICE AP | | 16 | 5852 | 0.26 | 93.36 |
| | OTHER | *** | 413 | 6265 | 6.59 | 99.95 |
| UNION REGIST | | 3 | 6268 | 0.05 | 100.00 | |
| HANDICAP DROPOUT | SCHOOL SERVICE | ** | 41 | 41 | 4.86 | 4.86 |
| | PUB EMPLOY SERVI | * | 20 | 61 | 2.37 | 7.24 |
| | PRIV EMPLOY SERV | | 5 | 66 | 0.59 | 7.83 |
| | NEWS ADVERTISE | **** | 64 | 130 | 7.59 | 15.42 |
| | EMPLOYER DIRECT | ***** | 213 | 343 | 25.27 | 40.69 |
| | RELATIVE | ***** | 231 | 574 | 27.40 | 68.09 |
| | FRIEND | ***** | 217 | 791 | 25.74 | 93.83 |
| | CIVIL SERVICE AP | | 3 | 794 | 0.36 | 94.19 |
| | OTHER | *** | 49 | 843 | 5.81 | 100.00 |
| UNION REGIST | | 0 | 843 | 1.00 | 100.00 | |
| HANDICAP GRADUATE | SCHOOL SERVICE | **** | 330 | 330 | 3.87 | 8.87 |
| | PUB EMPLOY SERVI | * | 111 | 441 | 4.98 | 11.85 |
| | PRIV EMPLOY SERV | | 32 | 473 | 0.6 | 12.71 |
| | NEWS ADVERTISE | *** | 215 | 688 | 3.0 | 18.48 |
| | EMPLOYER DIRECT | ***** | 876 | 1564 | 13.0 | 42.02 |
| | RELATIVE | ***** | 849 | 2413 | 22.01 | 64.83 |
| | FRIEND | ***** | 1017 | 3430 | 27.32 | 92.15 |
| | CIVIL SERVICE AP | | 10 | 3440 | 0.27 | 92.42 |
| | OTHER | **** | 278 | 3718 | 7.47 | 99.89 |
| UNION REGIST | | 4 | 3722 | 0.11 | 100.00 | |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

Reasons for Leaving First Job

Figures 50 and 51 illustrate the reasons why young adults leave their first job.

Those who identify themselves as handicapped retain their first job for a longer period than their nonhandicapped peers (33.18% vs. 32.04%, respectively). Nonhandicapped respondents report that school related reasons forced them to leave their job in more instances than handicapped (20.90% vs. 19.22%, respectively). Handicapped respondents had a higher "quitting" rate than their nonhandicapped peers, and they leave their first job more frequently for health reasons.

Figure 50. Profile of Reasons Why Persons Terminated Their First Job by Handicap Status

| HANDICAP STATUS | REASONS FOR TERMINATION | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|-----------------|-------------------------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| NONHANDICAP | JOB ENDED | 1080 | 1080 | 14.28 | 14.28 |
| | SCHOOL REASONS | 1581 | 2661 | 20.90 | 35.18 |
| | QUIT | 757 | 3418 | 10.01 | 45.18 |
| | STILL HAVE JOB | 2424 | 5842 | 32.04 | 77.22 |
| | OTHER | 466 | 6308 | 6.16 | 83.38 |
| | HEALTH REASONS | 149 | 6457 | 1.97 | 85.35 |
| | FOUND BETTER MOVED | 823 | 7280 | 10.88 | 96.23 |
| | | 285 | 7565 | 3.77 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP | JOB ENDED | 678 | 678 | 14.62 | 14.62 |
| | SCHOOL REASONS | 891 | 1569 | 19.22 | 33.84 |
| | QUIT | 484 | 2053 | 10.44 | 44.28 |
| | STILL HAVE JOB | 1538 | 3591 | 33.18 | 77.46 |
| | OTHER | 291 | 3882 | 6.28 | 83.74 |
| | HEALTH REASONS | 116 | 3998 | 2.50 | 86.24 |
| | FOUND BETTER MOVED | 457 | 4455 | 9.86 | 96.10 |
| | | 181 | 4636 | 3.90 | 100.00 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

As indicated in Figure 51 dropouts tended to quit their first job more often than graduates. They also indicated finding "better work" more frequently as a reason for terminating. Dropouts also tended to report that their first job ended more often than did their graduate counterparts. This may be some indication of the temporary

nature of the job. However, it should be noted that also subsumed under this response is the category "fired." Graduates indicate that they left their first job for school reasons more often than dropouts. Presumably, this would relate to their higher enrollment in post-secondary education.

Figure 51. Profile of Reasons Why Persons Terminated Their First Job by Handicap Status and Graduation Status

| HANDICAP-GRADUATION STATUS | REASONS FOR TERMINATION | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| NONHANDICAP DROP | JOB ENDED | 296 | 296 | 24.61 | 24.61 |
| | SCHOOL REASONS | 39 | 335 | 3.24 | 27.85 |
| | QUIT | 193 | 528 | 16.04 | 43.89 |
| | STILL HAVE JOB | 269 | 797 | 22.36 | 66.25 |
| | OTHER | 118 | 915 | 9.81 | 76.06 |
| | HEALTH REASONS | 63 | 978 | 5.24 | 81.30 |
| | FOUND BETTER | 135 | 1113 | 11.22 | 92.52 |
| | MOVED | 90 | 1203 | 7.48 | 100.00 |
| NONHANDICAP GRAD | JOB ENDED | 784 | 784 | 12.33 | 12.33 |
| | SCHOOL REASONS | 1541 | 2325 | 24.23 | 36.55 |
| | QUIT | 564 | 2889 | 8.87 | 45.42 |
| | STILL HAVE JOB | 2155 | 5044 | 33.88 | 79.30 |
| | OTHER | 348 | 5392 | 5.47 | 84.77 |
| | HEALTH REASONS | 86 | 5478 | 1.35 | 86.12 |
| | FOUND BETTER | 688 | 6166 | 10.82 | 96.93 |
| | MOVED | 195 | 6361 | 3.07 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP DROPOUT | JOB ENDED | 170 | 170 | 19.84 | 19.84 |
| | SCHOOL REASONS | 48 | 218 | 5.60 | 25.44 |
| | QUIT | 119 | 337 | 13.89 | 39.32 |
| | STILL HAVE JOB | 214 | 551 | 24.97 | 64.29 |
| | OTHER | 84 | 635 | 9.80 | 74.10 |
| | HEALTH REASONS | 54 | 689 | 6.30 | 80.40 |
| | FOUND BETTER | 98 | 787 | 11.44 | 91.83 |
| | MOVED | 70 | 857 | 8.17 | 100.00 |
| HANDICAP GRADUATE | JOB ENDED | 508 | 508 | 13.45 | 13.45 |
| | SCHOOL REASONS | 843 | 1351 | 22.32 | 35.77 |
| | QUIT | 365 | 1716 | 9.66 | 45.43 |
| | STILL HAVE JOB | 1322 | 3038 | 35.00 | 80.43 |
| | OTHER | 207 | 3245 | 5.48 | 85.91 |
| | HEALTH REASONS | 62 | 3307 | 1.64 | 87.56 |
| | FOUND BETTER | 359 | 3666 | 9.50 | 97.06 |
| | MOVED | 111 | 3777 | 2.94 | 100.00 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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Chapter VII

Employment Attainment and Related Components for Youth With Specific Handicapping Conditions in High School and Beyond

The preceding chapter, chapter VI focused on employment issues with regard to nonhandicapped and handicapped adults. This chapter will continue with analysis of employment outcomes, but will define these differences with regard to the six specific handicapping conditions reported in HSB. In addition, this chapter contains a series of multivariate displays that examine various employment variables with salient characteristics of the sample (for example, employment status, hourly earnings, hours worked per week).

Reported Employment Status

Figure 52 depicts the employment status of the six specific handicapping conditions surveyed in HSB. Young adults who identified themselves solely as learning disabled had the highest unemployment at 10.49%, followed by hearing impaired (8.21%), and health impaired (7.57%). These percentages are depicted in Figure 52. Those identifying themselves as health impaired were reported as not being in the labor force to a greater degree than their handicapped peers (32.83%). In addition, orthopedically impaired and visually impaired groups had the highest part-time job participation (32.89% and 32.07%, respectively). These specific handicapping conditions also have the highest participation in post-secondary education.

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Figure 52. Profile of Employment Status by Handicapping Condition

| HANDICAPPING CONDITION | EMPLOYMENT STATUS | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| LEARNING DISABLED | FULL-TIME JOB | ***** 119 | 119 | 41.61 | 41.61 |
| | PART-TIME JOB | ***** 49 | 168 | 17.13 | 58.74 |
| | UNEMPLOYED | **** 30 | 198 | 10.49 | 69.23 |
| | NOT IN LABOR FOR | ***** 88 | 286 | 30.77 | 100.00 |
| VISUAL IMPAIRED | FULL-TIME JOB | ***** 567 | 567 | 33.49 | 33.49 |
| | PART-TIME JOB | ***** 543 | 1110 | 32.07 | 65.56 |
| | UNEMPLOYED | ** 65 | 1175 | 3.84 | 69.40 |
| | NOT IN LABOR FOR | ***** 518 | 1693 | 30.60 | 100.00 |
| HEARING IMPAIRED | FULL-TIME JOB | ***** 136 | 136 | 41.34 | 41.34 |
| | PART-TIME JOB | ***** 79 | 215 | 24.01 | 65.35 |
| | UNEMPLOYED | **** 27 | 242 | 8.21 | 73.56 |
| | NOT IN LABOR FOR | ***** 87 | 329 | 26.44 | 100.00 |
| SPEECH IMPAIRED | FULL-TIME JOB | ***** 90 | 90 | 41.67 | 41.67 |
| | PART-TIME JOB | ***** 46 | 136 | 21.30 | 62.96 |
| | UNEMPLOYED | **** 16 | 152 | 7.41 | 70.37 |
| | NOT IN LABOR FOR | ***** 64 | 216 | 29.63 | 100.00 |
| ORTHO IMPAIRED | FULL-TIME JOB | ***** 46 | 46 | 30.87 | 30.87 |
| | PART-TIME JOB | ***** 49 | 95 | 32.89 | 63.76 |
| | UNEMPLOYED | ** 7 | 102 | 4.70 | 68.46 |
| | NOT IN LABOR FOR | ***** 47 | 149 | 31.54 | 100.00 |
| HEALTH IMPAIRED | FULL-TIME JOB | ***** 285 | 285 | 33.18 | 33.18 |
| | PART-TIME JOB | ***** 227 | 512 | 26.43 | 59.60 |
| | UNEMPLOYED | **** 65 | 577 | 7.57 | 67.17 |
| | NOT IN LABOR FOR | ***** 282 | 859 | 32.83 | 100.00 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

Table 38. Reported Hourly Earnings (in dollars) for Full- and Part-Time Employment by Specific Handicapping Condition

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | LEARNING DISABLED | | | | VISUALLY IMPAIRED | | | |
| | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| JOB STATUS FEBRUARY 1984 | | | | | | | | |
| FULL-TIME JOB | 105 | 4.16 | 2.33 | 5.2 | 516 | 3.83 | 1.92 | 25.7 |
| PART-TIME JOB | 44 | 5.08 | 3.53 | 2.2 | 494 | 3.76 | 1.92 | 24.7 |
| TOTAL | 149 | 4.43 | 2.76 | 7.4 | 1010 | 3.80 | 1.92 | 50.4 |

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | HEARING IMPAIRED | | | | SPEECH DISABLED | | | |
| | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| JOB STATUS FEBRUARY 1984 | | | | | | | | |
| FULL-TIME JOB | 124 | 3.72 | 1.34 | 6.2 | 80 | 3.92 | 2.32 | 4.0 |
| PART-TIME JOB | 60 | 4.94 | 3.27 | 3.0 | 41 | 4.05 | 2.18 | 2.0 |
| TOTAL | 184 | 4.12 | 2.23 | 9.2 | 121 | 3.96 | 2.26 | 6.0 |

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | ORTHOPEDEICALLY IMPAIRED | | | | OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRMENT | | | |
| | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| JOB STATUS FEBRUARY 1984 | | | | | | | | |
| FULL-TIME JOB | 43 | 4.27 | 3.18 | 2.1 | 262 | 3.93 | 2.04 | 13.1 |
| PART-TIME JOB | 41 | 4.38 | 3.03 | 2.0 | 194 | 4.00 | 2.64 | 9.7 |
| TOTAL | 84 | 4.32 | 3.09 | 4.2 | 456 | 3.96 | 2.31 | 22.8 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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Table 39. Reported Hourly Earnings (in dollars) for Ethnicity by Specific Handicapping Condition

| ETHNICITY | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | LEARNING DISABLED | | | | VISUALLY IMPAIRED | | | |
| | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HISPANIC | 70 | 4.09 | 1.90 | 2.4 | 297 | 4.07 | 2.27 | 10.3 |
| AM INDIAN | * 11 | *4.59 | * 3.35 | * 0.4 | 27 | 4.09 | 2.94 | 0.9 |
| ASIAN | * 6 | *3.29 | * 0.78 | * 0.2 | 51 | 3.72 | 1.24 | 1.8 |
| BLACK | 26 | 5.21 | 3.57 | 0.9 | 123 | 3.78 | 1.40 | 4.3 |
| WHITE | 113 | 4.32 | 2.87 | 3.9 | 946 | 3.76 | 1.98 | 32.9 |
| TOTAL | 226 | 4.34 | 2.70 | 7.8 | 1444 | 3.83 | 2.00 | 50.2 |

| ETHNICITY | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | HEARING IMPAIRED | | | | SPEECH DISABLED | | | |
| | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HISPANIC | 67 | 4.18 | 2.64 | 2.3 | 62 | 3.93 | 2.40 | 2.2 |
| AM INDIAN | *10 | *4.09 | *1.50 | * 0.3 | * 5 | *4.32 | *1.89 | *0.2 |
| ASIAN | * 5 | *3.92 | *0.67 | * 0.2 | * 7 | *3.20 | *0.85 | *0.2 |
| BLACK | *22 | *4.20 | *3.01 | * 0.8 | *18 | *4.75 | *2.65 | *0.6 |
| WHITE | 146 | 3.97 | 2.01 | 5.1 | 72 | 3.66 | 1.60 | 2.5 |
| TOTAL | 250 | 4.05 | 2.25 | 8.7 | 164 | 3.88 | 2.06 | 5.7 |

| ETHNICITY | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | ORTHOPEDEICALLY IMPAIRED | | | | OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRMENT | | | |
| | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | | HOURLY EARNINGS | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HISPANIC | *20 | *4.79 | *2.97 | *0.7 | 152 | 4.32 | 2.77 | 5.3 |
| AM INDIAN | *1 | *2.95 | | *0.0 | *15 | *3.65 | *1.26 | *0.5 |
| ASIAN | *2 | *9.63 | *7.60 | *0.1 | *17 | *3.71 | *0.98 | *0.6 |
| BLACK | *8 | *4.82 | *4.04 | *0.3 | 114 | 4.55 | 3.11 | 4.0 |
| WHITE | 88 | 4.27 | 2.98 | 3.1 | 378 | 3.69 | 1.75 | 13.1 |
| TOTAL | 119 | 4.47 | 3.16 | 4.1 | 676 | 3.98 | 2.29 | 23.5 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

NOTE: * Cells with fewer than 25 observations should be interpreted with caution.

Table 40. Reported Hours Worked per Week for Full- and Part-Time Employment by Specific Handicapping Condition

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | LEARNING DISABLED | | | | VISUALLY IMPAIRED | | | |
| | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| JOB STATUS FEBRUARY 1984 | | | | | | | | |
| FULL-TIME JOB | 114 | 40.86 | 12.42 | 5.3 | 556 | 38.10 | 12.38 | 25.7 |
| PART-TIME JOB | 47 | 24.23 | 12.42 | 2.2 | 526 | 24.47 | 11.97 | 24.3 |
| TOTAL | 161 | 36.01 | 14.52 | 7.4 | 1082 | 31.47 | 13.96 | 49.9 |

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | HEARING IMPAIRED | | | | SPEECH DISABLED | | | |
| | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| JOB STATUS FEBRUARY 1984 | | | | | | | | |
| FULL-TIME JOB | 130 | 41.30 | 13.91 | 6.0 | 89 | 40.46 | 12.30 | 4.1 |
| PART-TIME JOB | 70 | 26.71 | 15.08 | 3.2 | 46 | 20.33 | 10.30 | 2.1 |
| TOTAL | 200 | 36.19 | 15.90 | 9.2 | 135 | 33.60 | 15.06 | 6.2 |

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | ORTHOPEDICALLY IMPAIRED | | | | OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRMENT | | | |
| | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| JOB STATUS FEBRUARY 1984 | | | | | | | | |
| FULL-TIME JOB | 46 | 41.52 | 13.85 | 2.1 | 282 | 39.92 | 13.56 | 13.0 |
| PART-TIME JOB | 46 | 20.33 | 11.41 | 2.1 | 215 | 24.23 | 11.47 | 9.9 |
| TOTAL | 92 | 30.92 | 16.52 | 4.2 | 497 | 33.13 | 14.88 | 22.9 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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EXHIBIT for Table 38:

On the whole, hourly earnings are slightly higher for part-time employment.

Those who identified themselves as learning disabled reported the highest average hourly earnings, while the visually impaired had the lowest average hourly earnings.

EXHIBIT for Table 39:

There was wide variation in reported hourly earnings by ethnic group across specific handicapping conditions.

Blacks and Hispanics appeared to have higher than average hourly earnings for categories with 25 or more in the sample. Asians and Whites had reported earnings that were less than the average in most cases.

EXHIBIT for Table 40:

On the average, hearing impaired and learning disabled young adults worked the longest average hours per week (36.19 hours and 36.01 hours, respectively), while orthopedically and visually impaired students worked the least average hours (30.92 hours and 31.47 hours, respectively). Coincidentally, the orthopedically impaired reported the longest average hours worked per week at full-time jobs, yet the lowest average hours for part-time jobs.

Table 41. Reported Hours Worked per Week by Ethnicity and Specific Handicapping Condition

| ETHNICITY | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|--------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | LEARNING DISABLED | | | | VISUALLY IMPAIRED | | | |
| | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HISPANIC | 74 | 35.74 | 15.01 | 2.4 | 315 | 31.01 | 12.54 | 10.1 |
| AM INDIAN | *13 | *35.00 | *12.40 | *0.4 | 30 | 34.77 | 16.25 | 1.0 |
| ASIAN | *9 | *32.56 | *13.96 | *0.3 | 55 | 25.96 | 15.65 | 1.8 |
| BLACK | 28 | 28.96 | 17.20 | 0.9 | 133 | 31.63 | 12.92 | 4.3 |
| WHITE | 120 | 36.27 | 14.63 | 3.8 | 1017 | 31.79 | 14.62 | 32.6 |
| TOTAL | 244 | 35.07 | 14.99 | 7.8 | 1550 | 31.47 | 14.19 | 49.7 |

| ETHNICITY | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|--------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | HEARING IMPAIRED | | | | SPEECH DISABLED | | | |
| | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HISPANIC | 78 | 36.23 | 17.45 | 2.5 | 73 | 36.12 | 15.79 | 2.3 |
| AM INDIAN | *8 | *36.50 | *9.89 | *0.3 | *6 | *25.50 | *17.06 | *0.2 |
| ASIAN | *5 | *35.00 | *16.58 | *0.2 | *8 | *35.00 | *20.70 | *0.3 |
| BLACK | *24 | *35.00 | *15.57 | *0.8 | *22 | *33.77 | *17.07 | *0.7 |
| WHITE | 156 | 36.76 | 15.74 | 5.0 | 78 | 32.41 | 15.02 | 2.5 |
| TOTAL | 271 | 36.41 | 16.02 | 8.7 | 187 | 33.91 | 15.87 | 6.0 |

| ETHNICITY | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|--------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | ORTHOPEDEICALLY IMPAIRED | | | | OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRMENT | | | |
| | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | | HOURS WORKED PER WEEK | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HISPANIC | *23 | *38.17 | *15.39 | *0.7 | 169 | 33.99 | 14.92 | 5.4 |
| AM INDIAN | *1 | *55.00 | | *0.0 | *17 | *40.47 | *14.82 | *0.5 |
| ASIAN | *2 | *10.00 | *0.00 | *0.1 | *22 | *25.18 | *14.64 | *0.7 |
| BLACK | *8 | *31.63 | *13.44 | *0.3 | 123 | 31.67 | 13.31 | 3.9 |
| WHITE | 93 | 29.18 | 14.98 | 3.0 | 410 | 32.39 | 14.06 | 13.1 |
| TOTAL | 127 | 30.87 | 15.45 | 4.1 | 741 | 32.61 | 14.27 | 23.7 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

NOTE: * Cells with fewer than 25 observations should be interpreted with caution.

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Table 42. Reported Duration of First Job (in years) for Full- and Part-Time Employment by Specific Handicapping Condition

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | LEARNING DISABLED | | | | VISUALLY IMPAIRED | | | |
| | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| JOB STATUS FEBRUARY 1984 | | | | | | | | |
| FULL-TIME JOB | 116 | 1.74 | 1.51 | 5.3 | 558 | 1.67 | 1.39 | 25.3 |
| PART-TIME JOB | 48 | 1.61 | 1.36 | 2.2 | 540 | 1.59 | 1.39 | 24.5 |
| TOTAL | 164 | 1.70 | 1.46 | 7.4 | 1098 | 1.63 | 1.39 | 49.7 |

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | HEARING IMPAIRED | | | | SPEECH DISABLED | | | |
| | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| JOB STATUS FEBRUARY 1984 | | | | | | | | |
| FULL-TIME JOB | 131 | 1.68 | 1.44 | 5.9 | 90 | 1.64 | 1.34 | 4.1 |
| PART-TIME JOB | 78 | 1.49 | 1.52 | 3.5 | 46 | 1.80 | 1.66 | 2.1 |
| TOTAL | 209 | 1.61 | 1.47 | 9.5 | 136 | 1.69 | 1.45 | 6.2 |

| | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | ORTHOPEDICALLY IMPAIRED | | | | OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRMENT | | | |
| | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| JOB STATUS FEBRUARY 1984 | | | | | | | | |
| FULL-TIME JOB | 44 | 1.85 | 1.57 | 2.0 | 284 | 1.56 | 1.44 | 12.9 |
| PART-TIME JOB | 48 | 1.45 | 1.50 | 2.2 | 225 | 1.66 | 1.48 | 10.2 |
| TOTAL | 92 | 1.64 | 1.54 | 4.2 | 509 | 1.60 | 1.46 | 23.1 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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EXHIBIT for Table 41:

In cases that have 25 or more in the sample, Hispanics were working longer hours per week on the average whereas Blacks, Whites and Asians were below average in hours worked per week.

Hearing impaired and learning disabled workers reported working the most hours per week of any handicap category. Orthopedically and visually impaired workers reported the least hours per week of work. One possible explanation is that orthopedically and visually impaired young adults attended post-secondary educational programs to a greater degree than their handicapped peers.

EXHIBIT for Table 42:

Those young adults who identified themselves as learning disabled reported longer average duration at their first job. Orthopedically impaired workers reported the longest average duration of employment at a full-time position and speech disabled workers reported the longest average duration for a part-time job. On the average hearing impaired workers had the shortest first job tenure.

Young adults reporting learning disabilities, hearing and speech impairments tended to hold full-time positions while visually, orthopedically and other health impaired workers were evenly split between full- and part-time employment at their first job.

Table 43. Reported Duration of First Job (in years) for Ethnicity by Specific Handicapping Condition

| ETHNICITY | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | LEARNING DISABLED | | | | VISUALLY IMPAIRED | | | |
| | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HISPANIC | 74 | 1.21 | 1.13 | 2.3 | 321 | 1.27 | 1.30 | 10.1 |
| AM INDIAN | *13 | *0.73 | *0.85 | *0.4 | 30 | 1.20 | 1.46 | 0.9 |
| ASIAN | *9 | *1.49 | *1.53 | *0.3 | 56 | 1.33 | 1.24 | 1.8 |
| BLACK | 30 | 1.19 | 1.32 | 0.9 | 138 | 1.04 | 0.98 | 4.4 |
| WHITE | 124 | 1.75 | 1.57 | 3.9 | 1025 | 1.49 | 1.39 | 32.3 |
| TOTAL | 250 | 1.46 | 1.42 | 7.9 | 1570 | 1.40 | 1.35 | 49.5 |

| ETHNICITY | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | HEARING IMPAIRED | | | | SPEECH DISABLED | | | |
| | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HISPANIC | 80 | 1.60 | 1.59 | 2.5 | 72 | 1.31 | 1.17 | 2.3 |
| AM INDIAN | *11 | *1.05 | *1.65 | *0.3 | *6 | *2.25 | *1.56 | *0.2 |
| ASIAN | *5 | *1.40 | *1.05 | *0.2 | *8 | *2.02 | *2.07 | *0.3 |
| BLACK | 25 | 1.02 | 0.94 | 0.8 | *23 | *0.93 | *0.80 | *0.7 |
| WHITE | 160 | 1.30 | 1.32 | 5.0 | 76 | 1.71 | 1.64 | 2.4 |
| TOTAL | 281 | 1.35 | 1.39 | 8.9 | 185 | 1.49 | 1.43 | 5.8 |

| ETHNICITY | SPECIFIC HANDICAPPING CONDITION | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | ORTHOPEDEICALLY IMPAIRED | | | | OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRMENT | | | |
| | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | | DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT | | | |
| | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY | SAMPLE SIZE | MEAN | STANDARD DEVIATION | PERCENT TOTAL FREQUENCY |
| HISPANIC | *24 | *1.52 | *1.56 | *0.8 | 175 | 1.20 | 1.27 | 5.5 |
| AM INDIAN | *1 | *0.42 | | *0.0 | *17 | *1.01 | *1.59 | *0.5 |
| ASIAN | *2 | *0.92 | *0.94 | *0.1 | *21 | *1.23 | *1.24 | 80.7 |
| BLACK | *9 | *2.14 | *1.96 | *0.3 | 127 | 1.03 | 1.01 | 4.0 |
| WHITE | 94 | 1.38 | 1.33 | 3.0 | 416 | 1.53 | 1.47 | 13.1 |
| TOTAL | 130 | 1.44 | 1.42 | 4.1 | 756 | 1.35 | 1.36 | 23.8 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

NOTE: * Cells with fewer than 25 observations should be interpreted with caution.

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EXHIBIT for Table 43:

There appeared to be distinct differences in the duration of employment for the first job when it comes to ethnic groups.

With sample sizes of 25 or more, Blacks and American Indians had shorter average duration of employment on the first job. Whites, Asians, and Hispanics had the longest average duration of employment on the first job.

Those young adults who identified themselves as speech disabled and learning disabled had the longest average duration on the first job. Shorter than average duration was characteristic of hearing and other health impaired persons.

Occupational Classification of First Job After High School

Distinct patterns of employment were found among young adults with specific handicapping conditions as illustrated in Figure 53. Most apparent were the following differences in the first job after high school.

Students who identified themselves as learning disabled or visually impaired had the two most discrepant first job patterns. Students reporting themselves solely as learning disabled were least likely of all those with handicapping conditions to be in professional roles (1.63%). This classification includes a wide variety of job titles such as: nurse, dietitians, health technicians, therapy assistants, recreation workers, and the traditional professional positions requiring many years of post-secondary education and training. Those students with learning disabilities were also less likely to be involved in the sales force (7.32%) and clerical (13.01%) compared with individuals with other handicapping conditions. These positions encompass the following types of jobs: sales personnel, newsboys, insurance agents, advertising agents, tellers, clerks, cashiers, office machine operators, receptionists, secretaries, teacher aides, and various service worker positions. Students who identify themselves as learning disabled are more often found in service positions (27.24%). The second most common occupational position for learning disabled students was non-farm labor (16.67%) which includes: carpenters' helpers, animal caretakers, construction workers, freight and material handlers, stock handlers, teamsters, warehousemen, and other miscellaneous laborers. With all other handicapping conditions, the second most popular occupational category was that of clerical worker. Taken as a whole, the positions in which most learning disabled young adults were employed in comparison to their handicapped and nonhandicapped peers were generally low skilled, low status jobs (yet, in many cases higher paying).

Young adults who reported visual impairment have the distinction of being most like their nonhandicapped peers. They held jobs and achieved educational levels much in the

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same manner as their nonhandicapped peers. The types of occupational categories that visually impaired were found more commonly in for their first jobs included professional fields (4.85%), managerial (3.04%), sales (11.32%), clerical (25.94%), and service (28.91%). The categories of jobs they were less frequently found in included: craftsmen's trades (5.24%), operatives ((5.76%), transoperatives (1.29%), non-farm labor (9.51%), and farm labor (4.88%). Jobs in the service and clerical trades accounted for over 50% of the employed visually impaired. The third most common job category was sales (11.32%). The same pattern of job involvement was found for the nonhandicapped sample.

Job Seeking Patterns for First Job After High School

With regard to specific handicapping conditions, learning disabled respondents are less likely to go directly to an employer to get their first job--but they do rely on school services, newspapers, and other sources to a greater extent than other handicap categories.

Those who identified themselves as visually impaired appeared to rely to a greater degree on relatives and contacts with employers directly to find their first job. This can be seen in Figure 54. Hearing and speech impaired youth found their first jobs through contacts with friends more often than did the other handicapped persons in the sample. Youth with orthopedic impairments used employer contacts, friends and relatives--but also used school placement services and other sources moreso than other groups. In this case, the "other" category may refer to Vocational Rehabilitative Services. Those who identified themselves as health impaired appeared to use newspaper advertisements moreso than their peers in locating their first job.

Figure 53. Profile of First Job Occupational Status by Handicapping Condition

| | | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT | |
|-------------------|---------------|-------|-----------|---------|--------------|--------|
| LEARNING DISABLED | PROFESSIONAL | * | | | | |
| | MANAGERIAL | ** | 4 | 1.63 | 1.63 | |
| | SALES | *** | 8 | 3.25 | 4.88 | |
| | CLERICAL | ***** | 18 | 7.32 | 12.20 | |
| | CRAFTMEN | ***** | 32 | 13.01 | 25.20 | |
| | OPERATIVE | ***** | 24 | 9.76 | 34.96 | |
| | TRANOPERATIVE | * | 32 | 118 | 13.01 | 47.97 |
| | NONFARM LABOR | * | 6 | 124 | 2.44 | 50.41 |
| | FARMER | ***** | 41 | 165 | 16.67 | 67.07 |
| | FARM LABOR | ** | 0 | 165 | 0.00 | 67.07 |
| | SERVICE | ***** | 12 | 177 | 4.88 | 71.95 |
| PRIVHSE | * | 67 | 244 | 27.24 | 99.19 | |
| | | 2 | 246 | 0.81 | 100.00 | |
| VISUAL IMPAIRED | PROFESSIONAL | ** | 75 | 4.85 | 4.85 | |
| | MANAGERIAL | ** | 47 | 122 | 3.04 | 7.89 |
| | SALES | ***** | 175 | 297 | 11.32 | 19.21 |
| | CLERICAL | ***** | 401 | 698 | 25.94 | 45.15 |
| | CRAFTMEN | *** | 81 | 779 | 5.24 | 50.39 |
| | OPERATIVE | *** | 89 | 868 | 5.76 | 56.14 |
| | TRANOPERATIVE | * | 20 | 888 | 1.29 | 57.44 |
| | NONFARM LABOR | ***** | 147 | 1035 | 9.51 | 66.95 |
| | FARMER | * | 3 | 1038 | 0.19 | 67.14 |
| | FARM LABOR | * | 41 | 1079 | 2.65 | 69.79 |
| | SERVICE | ***** | 447 | 1526 | 28.91 | 98.71 |
| PRIVHSE | * | 20 | 1546 | 1.29 | 100.00 | |
| HEARING IMPAIRED | PROFESSIONAL | * | 6 | 2.21 | 2.21 | |
| | MANAGERIAL | * | 6 | 12 | 2.21 | 4.41 |
| | SALES | ***** | 26 | 38 | 9.56 | 13.97 |
| | CLERICAL | ***** | 49 | 87 | 18.01 | 31.99 |
| | CRAFTMEN | ***** | 29 | 116 | 10.66 | 42.65 |
| | OPERATIVE | ***** | 22 | 138 | 8.09 | 50.74 |
| | TRANOPERATIVE | * | 8 | 146 | 2.94 | 53.68 |
| | NONFARM LABOR | ***** | 45 | 191 | 16.54 | 70.22 |
| | FARMER | * | 0 | 191 | 0.00 | 70.22 |
| | FARM LABOR | *** | 14 | 205 | 5.15 | 75.37 |
| | SERVICE | ***** | 66 | 271 | 24.26 | 99.63 |
| PRIVHSE | * | 1 | 272 | 0.37 | 100.00 | |
| SPEECH IMPAIRED | PROFESSIONAL | * | 5 | 2.78 | 2.78 | |
| | MANAGERIAL | * | 0 | 0.00 | 2.78 | |
| | SALES | *** | 10 | 15 | 5.56 | 8.33 |
| | CLERICAL | ***** | 30 | 45 | 16.67 | 25.00 |
| | CRAFTMEN | ***** | 13 | 58 | 7.22 | 32.22 |
| | OPERATIVE | ***** | 21 | 79 | 11.67 | 43.89 |
| | TRANOPERATIVE | * | 5 | 84 | 2.78 | 46.67 |
| | NONFARM LABOR | ***** | 25 | 109 | 13.89 | 60.56 |
| | FARMER | * | 0 | 109 | 0.00 | 60.56 |
| | FARM LABOR | ** | 7 | 116 | 3.89 | 64.44 |
| | SERVICE | ***** | 62 | 178 | 34.44 | 98.89 |
| PRIVHSE | * | 2 | 180 | 1.11 | 100.00 | |
| ORTHO IMPAIRED | PROFESSIONAL | ** | 4 | 3.15 | 3.15 | |
| | MANAGERIAL | * | 3 | 7 | 2.36 | 5.51 |
| | SALES | ***** | 17 | 24 | 13.39 | 18.90 |
| | CLERICAL | ***** | 23 | 47 | 18.11 | 37.01 |
| | CRAFTMEN | ***** | 10 | 57 | 7.87 | 44.88 |
| | OPERATIVE | ***** | 9 | 66 | 7.09 | 51.97 |
| | TRANOPERATIVE | * | 0 | 66 | 0.00 | 51.97 |
| | NONFARM LABOR | ***** | 22 | 88 | 17.32 | 69.29 |
| | FARMER | * | 0 | 88 | 0.00 | 69.29 |
| | FARM LABOR | * | 2 | 90 | 1.57 | 70.87 |
| | SERVICE | ***** | 37 | 127 | 29.13 | 100.00 |
| PRIVHSE | * | 0 | 127 | 0.00 | 100.00 | |
| HEALTH IMPAIRED | PROFESSIONAL | * | 22 | 2.97 | 2.97 | |
| | MANAGERIAL | * | 19 | 41 | 2.57 | 5.54 |
| | SALES | ***** | 77 | 118 | 10.41 | 15.95 |
| | CLERICAL | ***** | 183 | 301 | 24.73 | 40.68 |
| | CRAFTMEN | *** | 43 | 344 | 5.81 | 46.49 |
| | OPERATIVE | *** | 53 | 397 | 7.16 | 53.65 |
| | TRANOPERATIVE | * | 19 | 416 | 2.57 | 56.22 |
| | NONFARM LABOR | ***** | 73 | 489 | 9.86 | 66.08 |
| | FARMER | * | 2 | 491 | 0.27 | 66.35 |
| | FARM LABOR | * | 10 | 501 | 1.35 | 67.70 |
| | SERVICE | ***** | 227 | 728 | 30.68 | 98.38 |
| PRIVHSE | * | 12 | 740 | 1.62 | 100.00 | |

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Figure 54. Profile of How First Job was Found by Individuals With Handicapping Conditions

| HANDICAPPING CONDITION | SOURCES OF REFERRAL | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT |
|------------------------|---------------------|------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| LEARNING DISABLED | SCHOOL SERVICE | 22 | 22 | 9.05 | 9.05 |
| | PUB EMPLOY SERVI | 6 | 28 | 2.47 | 11.52 |
| | PRIV EMPLOY SERV | 1 | 29 | 0.41 | 11.93 |
| | NEWS ADVERTISE | 16 | 45 | 6.58 | 18.52 |
| | EMPLOYER DIRECT | 42 | 87 | 17.28 | 35.80 |
| | RELATIVE | 66 | 153 | 27.16 | 62.96 |
| | FRIEND | 66 | 219 | 27.16 | 90.12 |
| | CIVIL SERVICE AP | 1 | 220 | 0.41 | 90.53 |
| VISUAL IMPAIRED | OTHER | 22 | 242 | 9.05 | 99.59 |
| | UNION REGIST | 1 | 243 | 0.41 | 100.00 |
| | SCHOOL SERVICE | 132 | 132 | 8.54 | 8.54 |
| | PUB EMPLOY SERVI | 41 | 173 | 2.65 | 11.20 |
| | PRIV EMPLOY SERV | 12 | 185 | 0.78 | 11.97 |
| | NEWS ADVERTISE | 80 | 265 | 5.18 | 17.15 |
| | EMPLOYER DIRECT | 386 | 651 | 24.98 | 42.14 |
| | RELATIVE | 383 | 1034 | 24.79 | 66.93 |
| HEARING IMPAIRED | FRIEND | 404 | 1438 | 26.15 | 93.07 |
| | CIVIL SERVICE AP | 6 | 1444 | 0.39 | 93.46 |
| | OTHER | 101 | 1545 | 6.54 | 100.00 |
| | UNION REGIST | 0 | 1545 | 0.00 | 100.00 |
| | SCHOOL SERVICE | 22 | 22 | 7.97 | 7.97 |
| | PUB EMPLOY SERVI | 6 | 28 | 2.17 | 10.14 |
| | PRIV EMPLOY SERV | 3 | 31 | 1.09 | 11.23 |
| | NEWS ADVERTISE | 18 | 49 | 6.52 | 17.75 |
| SPEECH IMPAIRED | EMPLOYER DIRECT | 65 | 114 | 23.55 | 41.30 |
| | RELATIVE | 64 | 178 | 23.19 | 64.49 |
| | FRIEND | 79 | 257 | 28.62 | 93.12 |
| | CIVIL SERVICE AP | 2 | 259 | 0.72 | 93.84 |
| | OTHER | 17 | 276 | 6.16 | 100.00 |
| | UNION REGIST | 0 | 276 | 0.00 | 100.00 |
| | SCHOOL SERVICE | 15 | 15 | 8.15 | 8.15 |
| | PUB EMPLOY SERVI | 5 | 20 | 2.72 | 10.87 |
| ORTHO IMPAIRED | PRIV EMPLOY SERV | 1 | 21 | 0.54 | 11.41 |
| | NEWS ADVERTISE | 12 | 33 | 6.52 | 17.93 |
| | EMPLOYER DIRECT | 38 | 71 | 20.65 | 38.59 |
| | RELATIVE | 42 | 113 | 22.83 | 61.41 |
| | FRIEND | 53 | 166 | 28.80 | 90.22 |
| | CIVIL SERVICE AP | 0 | 166 | 0.00 | 90.22 |
| | OTHER | 17 | 183 | 9.24 | 99.46 |
| | UNION REGIST | 1 | 184 | 0.54 | 100.00 |
| HEALTH IMPAIRED | SCHOOL SERVICE | 13 | 13 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| | PUB EMPLOY SERVI | 4 | 17 | 3.08 | 13.08 |
| | PRIV EMPLOY SERV | 1 | 18 | 0.77 | 13.85 |
| | NEWS ADVERTISE | 6 | 24 | 4.62 | 18.46 |
| | EMPLOYER DIRECT | 32 | 56 | 24.62 | 43.08 |
| | RELATIVE | 30 | 86 | 23.08 | 66.15 |
| | FRIEND | 30 | 116 | 23.08 | 89.23 |
| | CIVIL SERVICE AP | 0 | 116 | 0.00 | 89.23 |
| HEALTH IMPAIRED | OTHER | 14 | 130 | 10.77 | 100.00 |
| | UNION REGIST | 0 | 130 | 0.00 | 100.00 |
| | SCHOOL SERVICE | 54 | 54 | 7.26 | 7.26 |
| | PUB EMPLOY SERVI | 27 | 81 | 3.63 | 10.89 |
| | PRIV EMPLOY SERV | 8 | 89 | 1.08 | 11.96 |
| | NEWS ADVERTISE | 63 | 152 | 8.47 | 20.43 |
| | EMPLOYER DIRECT | 195 | 347 | 26.21 | 46.64 |
| | RELATIVE | 156 | 503 | 20.97 | 67.61 |
| HEALTH IMPAIRED | FRIEND | 187 | 690 | 25.13 | 92.74 |
| | CIVIL SERVICE AP | 1 | 691 | 0.13 | 92.88 |
| | OTHER | 53 | 744 | 7.12 | 100.00 |
| | UNION REGIST | 0 | 744 | 0.00 | 100.00 |

SOURCE: High School and Beyond, Second Follow-up of 1980 Sophomores

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Reasons for Leaving First Job

Figure 55 illustrates reasons why young adults with specific handicapping conditions left their first job.

Those young adults who identified themselves as learning disabled quit their first job at a higher rate than all other persons with specific handicaps (12.30%). However, they also indicated in the same question that they more often found a better job. Young adults with speech and orthopedic impairments retained their first job at a greater rate than the others (39.04% and 36.64%, respectively). Young adults with visual and orthopedic impairments left their first job for school reasons more frequently than their handicapped persons (23.61% and 22.14%, respectively). On the average, approximately one third of the individuals who identified themselves as having specific handicapping conditions still had their first job. Approximately 32% of the nonhandicapped sample still had their first job two years after high school. Overall, handicapped young adults appear to retain their first job longer than their nonhandicapped peers.

Figure 55. Profile of Reasons Given for Terminating First Job for Persons with Handicapping Conditions

| HANDICAPPING CONDITION | REASONS FOR TERMINATION | FREQ | CUM. FREQ | PERCENT | CUM. PERCENT | |
|------------------------|-------------------------|-------|-----------|---------|--------------|--------|
| LEARNING DISABLED | JOB ENDED | ***** | 45 | 45 | 18.44 | 18.44 |
| | SCHOOL REASONS | ***** | 28 | 73 | 11.48 | 29.92 |
| | QUIT | ***** | 30 | 103 | 12.30 | 42.21 |
| | STILL HAVE JOB | ***** | 81 | 184 | 33.20 | 75.41 |
| | OTHER | *** | 15 | 199 | 6.15 | 81.56 |
| | HEALTH REASONS | * | 5 | 204 | 2.05 | 83.61 |
| | FOUND BETTER | ***** | 29 | 233 | 11.89 | 95.49 |
| | MOVED | ** | 11 | 244 | 4.51 | 100.00 |
| VISUAL IMPAIRED | JOB ENDED | ***** | 218 | 218 | 13.91 | 13.91 |
| | SCHOOL REASONS | ***** | 370 | 588 | 23.61 | 37.52 |
| | QUIT | ***** | 157 | 745 | 10.02 | 47.54 |
| | STILL HAVE JOB | ***** | 507 | 1252 | 32.35 | 79.90 |
| | OTHER | *** | 91 | 1343 | 5.81 | 85.71 |
| | HEALTH REASONS | * | 31 | 1374 | 1.98 | 87.68 |
| | FOUND BETTER | ***** | 143 | 1517 | 9.13 | 96.81 |
| | MOVED | ** | 50 | 1567 | 3.19 | 100.00 |
| HEARING IMPAIRED | JOB ENDED | ***** | 48 | 48 | 17.02 | 17.02 |
| | SCHOOL REASONS | ***** | 48 | 96 | 17.02 | 34.04 |
| | QUIT | ***** | 33 | 129 | 11.70 | 45.74 |
| | STILL HAVE JOB | ***** | 93 | 222 | 32.98 | 78.72 |
| | OTHER | *** | 21 | 243 | 7.45 | 86.17 |
| | HEALTH REASONS | * | 5 | 248 | 1.77 | 87.94 |
| | FOUND BETTER | *** | 19 | 267 | 6.74 | 94.68 |
| | MOVED | *** | 15 | 282 | 5.32 | 100.00 |
| SPEECH IMPAIRED | JOB ENDED | ***** | 29 | 29 | 15.51 | 15.51 |
| | SCHOOL REASONS | ***** | 32 | 61 | 17.11 | 32.62 |
| | QUIT | ***** | 18 | 79 | 9.63 | 42.25 |
| | STILL HAVE JOB | ***** | 73 | 152 | 39.04 | 81.28 |
| | OTHER | ** | 9 | 161 | 4.81 | 86.10 |
| | HEALTH REASONS | * | 5 | 166 | 2.67 | 88.77 |
| | FOUND BETTER | ***** | 16 | 182 | 8.56 | 97.33 |
| | MOVED | * | 5 | 187 | 2.67 | 100.00 |
| ORTHO IMPAIRED | JOB ENDED | ***** | 19 | 19 | 14.50 | 14.50 |
| | SCHOOL REASONS | ***** | 29 | 48 | 22.14 | 36.64 |
| | QUIT | *** | 7 | 55 | 5.34 | 41.98 |
| | STILL HAVE JOB | ***** | 48 | 103 | 36.64 | 78.63 |
| | OTHER | *** | 7 | 110 | 5.34 | 83.97 |
| | HEALTH REASONS | ** | 4 | 114 | 3.05 | 87.02 |
| | FOUND BETTER | ***** | 13 | 127 | 9.92 | 96.95 |
| | MOVED | ** | 4 | 131 | 3.05 | 100.00 |
| HEALTH IMPAIRED | JOB ENDED | ***** | 110 | 110 | 14.61 | 14.61 |
| | SCHOOL REASONS | ***** | 130 | 240 | 17.26 | 31.87 |
| | QUIT | ***** | 75 | 315 | 9.96 | 41.83 |
| | STILL HAVE JOB | ***** | 248 | 563 | 32.93 | 74.77 |
| | OTHER | *** | 58 | 621 | 7.70 | 82.47 |
| | HEALTH REASONS | ** | 25 | 646 | 3.32 | 85.79 |
| | FOUND BETTER | ***** | 73 | 719 | 9.69 | 95.48 |
| | MOVED | ** | 34 | 753 | 4.52 | 100.00 |

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NUMBER OF CHILDREN AGES 6-17 YEARS SERVED UNDER P.L. 94-142
BY HANDICAPPING CONDITION DURING SCHOOL YEAR 1983-1984

| STATE | ALL CONITIONS | LEARNING DISABLED | SPEECH IMPAIRED | MENTALLY RETARDED | EMOTIONALLY DISTURBED | HARD OF HEARING & DEAF | MULTI- HANDI- CAPPED | ORTHO- PEDICALLY IMPAIRED | OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRED | VISUALLY HANDI- CAPPED | DEAF- BLIND |
|-------|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|
| AL | 74679 | 22682 | 15245 | 29882 | 4439 | 572 | 751 | 353 | 497 | 240 | 18 |
| AK | 7308 | 4635 | 1817 | 247 | 210 | 93 | 95 | 135 | 39 | 25 | 12 |
| AZ | 46441 | 24733 | 9721 | 4673 | 5059 | 520 | 569 | 380 | 572 | 214 | 0 |
| AR | 41224 | 19712 | 8005 | 12053 | 579 | 312 | 237 | 96 | 131 | 97 | 2 |
| CA | 326670 | 193197 | 78722 | 19342 | 7970 | 4789 | 3285 | 5496 | 11858 | 1894 | 117 |
| CO | 38370 | 19123 | 6534 | 3066 | 7331 | 666 | 905 | 519 | 0 | 226 | 0 |
| CT | 56303 | 27279 | 10315 | 4605 | 12012 | 547 | 486 | 258 | 775 | 26 | 0 |
| DE | 10404 | 5755 | 1374 | 928 | 2199 | 74 | 6 | 35 | 17 | 15 | 0 |
| DC | 2228 | 989 | 1031 | 102 | 28 | 49 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 27 | 0 |
| FL | 137570 | 56243 | 43073 | 18792 | 14972 | 1007 | 0 | 1500 | 1394 | 543 | 46 |
| GA | 96883 | 38944 | 21423 | 23069 | 16323 | 820 | 0 | 683 | 227 | 392 | 2 |
| HI | 11263 | 7571 | 1989 | 962 | 350 | 153 | 71 | 110 | 3 | 52 | 2 |
| ID | 16353 | 8422 | 4101 | 2770 | 490 | 269 | 12 | 156 | 77 | 56 | 0 |
| IL | 195339 | 85697 | 58715 | 27725 | 19253 | 1132 | 0 | 1125 | 1255 | 411 | 26 |
| IN | 88580 | 29060 | 36559 | 18659 | 2609 | 608 | 415 | 356 | 16 | 296 | 2 |
| IO | 48078 | 20173 | 11270 | 9717 | 4925 | 599 | 451 | 641 | 150 | 140 | 12 |
| KS | 36852 | 15712 | 10996 | 5205 | 3525 | 344 | 262 | 383 | 249 | 176 | 0 |
| KY | 65148 | 20355 | 21782 | 18181 | 2064 | 781 | 774 | 539 | 318 | 320 | 34 |
| LA | 71314 | 38154 | 18122 | 8466 | 3426 | 726 | 377 | 425 | 1235 | 381 | 2 |
| ME | 22263 | 8967 | 4957 | 3655 | 3386 | 227 | 433 | 309 | 240 | 87 | 2 |
| MD | 77577 | 44690 | 20420 | 4958 | 3301 | 861 | 2008 | 540 | 448 | 340 | 11 |
| MA | 113345 | 43151 | 25503 | 23802 | 15641 | 1360 | 487 | 907 | 1360 | 567 | 567 |
| NH | 127892 | 54521 | 35194 | 13638 | 18360 | 2237 | 25 | 3203 | 0 | 714 | 0 |
| HI | 67251 | 33528 | 13756 | 10772 | 6071 | 1154 | 0 | 981 | 664 | 315 | 10 |
| MS | 46631 | 17592 | 16183 | 11672 | 405 | 255 | 148 | 277 | 0 | 93 | 6 |
| MO | 86612 | 35372 | 26794 | 14828 | 6882 | 628 | 363 | 694 | 753 | 239 | 59 |
| MT | 12991 | 7021 | 3525 | 1116 | 706 | 96 | 267 | 77 | 129 | 51 | 3 |
| NE | 26021 | 11372 | 6960 | 4575 | 2045 | 349 | 224 | 378 | 0 | 118 | 0 |
| NV | 11844 | 6993 | 2535 | 820 | 695 | 110 | 153 | 231 | 255 | 51 | 1 |
| NH | 11982 | 8125 | 1906 | 689 | 952 | 12 | 59 | 67 | 170 | 2 | 0 |
| NJ | 146238 | 63001 | 56268 | 7375 | 13648 | 1179 | 2985 | 780 | 767 | 225 | 10 |
| NM | 24407 | 11583 | 6957 | 2073 | 2312 | 264 | 847 | 260 | 55 | 51 | 5 |
| NY | 223895 | 125682 | 29462 | 23065 | 32571 | 2095 | 2662 | 1038 | 6049 | 1271 | 0 |
| NC | 106127 | 49744 | 21667 | 25039 | 5651 | 1136 | 756 | 663 | 1017 | 446 | 8 |
| ND | 6159 | 2240 | 2979 | 611 | 162 | 91 | 0 | 37 | 17 | 22 | 0 |
| OH | 177575 | 70060 | 50531 | 42903 | 5816 | 1806 | 2658 | 3038 | 0 | 741 | 22 |
| OK | 56684 | 27360 | 16061 | 10723 | 1007 | 395 | 555 | 248 | 174 | 136 | 25 |
| OR | 38727 | 23688 | 10367 | 11615 | 1888 | 209 | 0 | 507 | 351 | 102 | 0 |
| PA | 161116 | 60800 | 53741 | 31163 | 11189 | 2335 | 0 | 872 | 0 | 1008 | 8 |
| RI | 16042 | 11097 | 2568 | 891 | 1053 | 110 | 9 | 141 | 130 | 38 | 5 |
| SC | 63685 | 21764 | 16348 | 17873 | 5661 | 806 | 106 | 602 | 132 | 387 | 6 |
| SD | 9205 | 3737 | 3568 | 1072 | 292 | 125 | 258 | 79 | 40 | 31 | 3 |
| TN | 89049 | 40835 | 25044 | 15597 | 2344 | 1379 | 1190 | 825 | 1289 | 535 | 11 |
| TX | 248801 | 144686 | 55544 | 19990 | 16029 | 715 | 2830 | 2572 | 5120 | 1284 | 31 |
| UT | 36667 | 13323 | 7902 | 2428 | 11323 | 279 | 948 | 172 | 177 | 100 | 15 |
| VT | 6747 | 3104 | 2063 | 1045 | 280 | 99 | 7 | 45 | 74 | 29 | 1 |
| VA | 85829 | 38397 | 24483 | 12823 | 6360 | 936 | 1327 | 462 | 593 | 442 | 6 |
| WA | 55870 | 31535 | 10863 | 6397 | 3252 | 831 | 760 | 609 | 1369 | 246 | 8 |
| WV | 36604 | 14573 | 10548 | 8877 | 1508 | 255 | 288 | 246 | 123 | 184 | 2 |
| WI | 59889 | 26866 | 12149 | 9546 | 9233 | 609 | 362 | 461 | 425 | 229 | 9 |
| WY | 9317 | 5061 | 2366 | 684 | 830 | 97 | 0 | 103 | 136 | 38 | 2 |

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NUMBER OF CHILDREN AGES 18-21 YEARS SERVED UNDER P.L. 94-142
BY HANDICAPPING CONDITION DURING SCHOOL YEAR 1983-1984

| STATE | ALL CONDITIONS | LEARNING DISABLED | SPEECH IMPAIRED | MENTALLY RETARDED | EMOTIONALLY DISTURBED | HARD OF HEARING & DEAF | MULTI-HANDICAPPED | ORTHO-PEDICALLY IMPAIRED | OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRED | VISUALLY HANDICAPPED | DEAF-BLIND |
|-------|----------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------|
| AL | 6316 | 1471 | 43 | 4198 | 273 | 61 | 129 | 38 | 73 | 27 | 3 |
| AK | 443 | 306 | 7 | 44 | 29 | 19 | 30 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 0 |
| AZ | 2391 | 1056 | 19 | 805 | 236 | 44 | 76 | 31 | 101 | 23 | 0 |
| AR | 1704 | 782 | 59 | 799 | 10 | 15 | 17 | 8 | 12 | 1 | 1 |
| CA | 14788 | 6278 | 443 | 5033 | 487 | 574 | 713 | 513 | 550 | 140 | 57 |
| CO | 1731 | 753 | 43 | 464 | 289 | 60 | 73 | 39 | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| CT | 2441 | 1450 | 55 | 220 | 609 | 51 | 8 | 13 | 33 | 2 | 0 |
| DE | 441 | 205 | 2 | 112 | 108 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 0 |
| DC | 91 | 55 | 8 | 20 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 |
| FL | 5546 | 1962 | 211 | 2566 | 398 | 155 | 0 | 114 | 113 | 22 | 5 |
| GA | 3926 | 1043 | 61 | 2366 | 294 | 97 | 0 | 44 | 9 | 10 | 2 |
| HI | 329 | 177 | 3 | 97 | 18 | 26 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| ID | 643 | 8 | 1 | 42 | 23 | 14 | 141 | 114 | 291 | 8 | 1 |
| IL | 7705 | 2842 | 293 | 2875 | 1478 | 42 | 0 | 63 | 75 | 28 | 9 |
| IN | 2157 | 799 | 56 | 1127 | 83 | 50 | 16 | 10 | 1 | 12 | 3 |
| IO | 2749 | 535 | 20 | 1251 | 233 | 42 | 136 | 46 | 21 | 11 | 4 |
| KS | 1531 | 487 | 14 | 689 | 229 | 27 | 35 | 31 | 10 | 9 | 0 |
| KY | 2368 | 696 | 14 | 1387 | 66 | 46 | 82 | 41 | 15 | 14 | 7 |
| LA | 4301 | 1822 | 151 | 1842 | 209 | 85 | 60 | 26 | 61 | 40 | 5 |
| ME | 1059 | 352 | 24 | 419 | 145 | 26 | 51 | 17 | 16 | 9 | 0 |
| MD | 4899 | 2012 | 249 | 1502 | 313 | 76 | 573 | 80 | 75 | 15 | 4 |
| MA | 5165 | 1586 | 150 | 1714 | 1038 | 129 | 222 | 93 | 83 | 150 | 0 |
| MN | 7364 | 2701 | 91 | 2760 | 923 | 378 | 96 | 347 | 0 | 68 | 0 |
| MI | 3219 | 1148 | 56 | 1493 | 358 | 88 | 0 | 42 | 22 | 12 | 0 |
| MS | 2358 | 813 | 77 | 1400 | 10 | 32 | 14 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| MO | 3231 | 1154 | 88 | 1464 | 272 | 59 | 40 | 65 | 74 | 9 | 6 |
| MT | 578 | 324 | 10 | 158 | 38 | 5 | 29 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 0 |
| NE | 1383 | 563 | 24 | 609 | 58 | 53 | 39 | 26 | 0 | 11 | 0 |
| NV | 302 | 126 | 5 | 104 | 9 | 21 | 23 | 1 | 11 | 2 | 0 |
| NH | 586 | 393 | 12 | 113 | 49 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 10 | 0 | 1 |
| NJ | 5828 | 2376 | 229 | 1645 | 976 | 130 | 290 | 91 | 76 | 12 | 3 |
| NM | 1105 | 461 | 86 | 349 | 78 | 16 | 88 | 20 | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| NY | 13505 | 5304 | 286 | 4527 | 2023 | 410 | 286 | 102 | 478 | 89 | 0 |
| NC | 5660 | 2133 | 43 | 2399 | 176 | 72 | 86 | 53 | 69 | 25 | 4 |
| ND | 3995 | 2427 | 235 | 1037 | 190 | 38 | 0 | 40 | 11 | 17 | 0 |
| OH | 7102 | 2279 | 115 | 3657 | 246 | 283 | 256 | 207 | 0 | 57 | 2 |
| OK | 1704 | 862 | 19 | 731 | 31 | 29 | 10 | 12 | 2 | 6 | 2 |
| OR | 1476 | 693 | 37 | 383 | 121 | 28 | 0 | 140 | 66 | 8 | 0 |
| PA | 9039 | 2981 | 222 | 4714 | 660 | 240 | 0 | 161 | 0 | 61 | 0 |
| RI | 767 | 392 | 4 | 249 | 65 | 23 | 3 | 15 | 8 | 5 | 3 |
| SC | 3018 | 596 | 66 | 2078 | 121 | 65 | 14 | 46 | 11 | 20 | 1 |
| SD | 365 | 165 | 11 | 134 | 17 | 4 | 20 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 0 |
| TN | 5759 | 2298 | 88 | 2489 | 238 | 176 | 218 | 102 | 124 | 25 | 1 |
| TX | 12317 | 7559 | 137 | 2946 | 764 | 90 | 225 | 217 | 290 | 79 | 10 |
| UT | 752 | 131 | 28 | 185 | 172 | 10 | 214 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| VT | 208 | 98 | 3 | 74 | 15 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| VA | 4515 | 1520 | 151 | 2216 | 249 | 70 | 227 | 37 | 22 | 21 | 2 |
| WA | 2487 | 1104 | 78 | 808 | 136 | 70 | 124 | 31 | 126 | 10 | 0 |
| WV | 2634 | 1096 | 235 | 1121 | 100 | 19 | 10 | 33 | 6 | 14 | 0 |
| WI | 3489 | 1309 | 64 | 1444 | 436 | 104 | 58 | 28 | 24 | 17 | 5 |
| WY | 395 | 226 | 5 | 91 | 58 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 0 |

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- APPENDIX A -

SOURCE : Calculated from U. S. Department of Education Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Seventh Annual Report to Congress on the Implementation of the Education of the Handicapped Act, Table 6A5, 1985.

MEASURES UNDER STUDY

This section consists of the coding and variables under examination in this Digest. All variables are derived from the HSB second follow-up data file, unless otherwise specified. Information regarding the coding scheme was taken from the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Educational Research and Improvement, Center for Statistics (1986, April). Contractor Report High School and Beyond 1980 Sophomore Cohort Second Follow-up (1984) Data File User's Manual --Appendix G and C.1. All analyses were performed using the Statistical Analysis System package (SAS) installed on the IBM Virtual Machine/Conversational Monitor System (VM/CMS) at the University Of Illinois on the Urbana-Champaign campus.

BACKGROUND VARIABLES. The four background measures are Socio-economic status (coded SES), Sex (coded SEX), race/ethnicity (coded RACE), handicap status (coded NNHAND).

SES is a continuous composite score for socio-economic status copied from the first follow-up SES composite variable (if missing, base year SES was used). This composite has five components, standardized to a mean of zero and a standard deviation of one. The average of all non-missing components is the composite score. The components are father's occupation (coded in the metric of the Duncan SEI)*; father's and mother's education; family income; and a standardized eight-item household possession scale. SES was also available in quartile coding with cut-off points at -0.59, -0.12, +0.45.

* The Duncan index is an ordinal measure of the prestige of an occupation, developed from the responses of a sample of the U.S. population in 1947 to questions about the prestige of 45 selected occupations. Data in the 1950 census were converted to 2 summary measures, reflecting for each of the 45 occupations (1) the proportion of male workers in 1950 with educational attainment of four years of high school or more, and (2) the proportion of males with income of \$3,500 or more in 1949 (Duncan, 1961).

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SEX is coded 1 if male and 2 if female.

RACE/ETHNICITY is a nominal variable based on race and ethnic origin codes which were available from both base year and first follow-up questionnaires consisting of 1 if Hispanic; 2 if American Indian; 3 if Asian; 4 if Black; and 5 if White.

TYPE OF HANDICAP. Consists of two subgroups--one is a broad measure that contains nonhandicapped and handicapped youth and the other is a group containing those youth who identified themselves as having one of the six specific handicapping conditions.

The first group is derived from the NCES developed variable composite HANDICAP and denotes whether the respondent ever identified themselves as having a handicap, participated in a program for the handicapped, or was in receipt of Division of Vocational Rehabilitation benefits. In our case, the new coding is as follows:

```
IF HANDICAP=4 THEN NHAND=0;
ELSE IF HANDICAP=1 OR HANDICAP=2 OR HANDICAP=3 THEN
NHAND=1;
ELSE NHAND=.;
```

```
NUMHCC=SUM (OF LD VH HP SI OH HI); (SEE CODING BELOW
FOR LD, VH, HP, SI OH, HI, SP, PC, & PH)
```

```
IF NHAND=1 OR NUMHCC GT 0 OR PC=1 OR SP=1 OR PH=1 THEN
NNHAND=1;
ELSE IF NHAND=. AND NUMHCC=. AND PC=. AND PH=. AND SP=.
THEN NNHAND=.; ELSE NNHAND=0;
```

In addition, HSB includes the specific categories containing the individual handicapping conditions: learning disabilities (LD), visual handicaps (VH), hard of hearing (HH), deaf (DF), speech impaired (SI), orthopedically handicapped (OH), and other health impairments (HI). These

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groups are derived from combining the base-year and first follow-up variables. In our case the coding is as follows:

```
ARRAY L FY103A FY103B FY103C FY103D FY103E FY103F
      FY103G;
```

```
DO OVER L;
```

```
IF L=2 THEN L=0; END;
```

```
IF BB087A=1 OR FY103A=1 THEN LD=1;
IF BB087A=. AND FY103A=. THEN LD=.;
ELSE LD=0;
```

```
IF BB087B=1 OR FY103B=1 THEN VH=1;
IF BB087B=. AND FY103B=. THEN VH=.;
ELSE VH=0;
```

```
IF BB087C=1 OR FY103C=1 THEN HH=1;
IF BB087C=. AND FY103C=. THEN HH=.;
ELSE HH=0;
```

```
IF BB087D=1 OR FY103D=1 THEN DF=1;
IF BB087D=. AND FY103D=. THEN DF=.;
ELSE DF=0;
```

```
IF BB087E=1 OR FY103E=1 THEN SI=1;
IF BB087E=. AND FY103E=. THEN SI=.;
ELSE SI=0;
```

```
IF BB087F=1 OR FY103F=1 THEN OH=1;
IF BB087F=. AND FY103F=. THEN OH=.;
ELSE OH=0;
```

```
IF BB087G=1 OR FY103G=1 THEN HI=1;
IF BB087G=. AND FY103G=. THEN HI=.;
ELSE HI=0;
```

```
ARRAY M BB011H BB011I FY9H FY9I FY104 BB088;
```

```
DO OVER M; M=M-1; IF M GT 1 THEN M=.; END;
```

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```

IF BB088=1 OR FY104=1 THEN PC=1;
ELSE IF BB088=. AND FY104=. THEN PC=.;
ELSE PC=0;

```

```

IF BB011H=1 OR FY9H=1 THEN SP=1;
ELSE IF BB011H=. AND FY9H=. THEN SP=.;
ELSE SP=0;

```

```

IF BB011I=1 OR FY9I=1 THEN PH=1;
ELSE IF BB011I=. AND FY9I=. THEN PH=.;
ELSE PH=.;

```

Further refinements to these variables included collapsing hard of hearing (HH) and deaf (DF) into one variable entitled hearing impaired (HP).

```

IF DF=1 OR HH=1 THEN HP=1;
ELSE IF DF=. AND HH=. THEN HP=.;
ELSE HP=0;

```

One other alteration to the variables included isolating only those respondents that identified only one handicapping condition. These handicapped students were the only students used in the analyses. This transformation was accomplished in the following manner:

```

COMBO=0;
  IF LD=1 THEN IF VH=1 THEN COMBO=1;
    ELSE IF SI=1 THEN COMBO=1;
      ELSE IF OH=1 THEN COMBO=1;
        ELSE IF HI=1 THEN COMBO=1;
          ELSE IF HP=1 THEN COMBO=1;
        ELSE IF VH=1 THEN SI=1 THEN COMBO=1;
          ELSE IF OH=1 THEN COMBO=1;
            ELSE IF HI=1 THEN COMBO=1;
              ELSE IF HP=1 THEN COMBO=1;
          ELSE IF SI=1 THEN IF OH=1 THEN COMBO=1;
            ELSE IF OH=1 THEN COMBO=1;
              ELSE IF HI=1 THEN COMBO=1;
                ELSE IF HP=1 THEN COMBO=1;
            ELSE IF OH=1 THEN IF HI=1 THEN COMBO=1;
              ELSE IF HP=1 THEN COMBO=1;
          ELSE IF HI=1 THEN IF HP=1 THEN COMBO=1;

```

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```

IF COMBO NE 1 AND LD=1 THEN SPEC=1;
ELSE IF COMBO NE 1 AND VH=1 THEN SPEC=2;
ELSE IF COMBO NE 1 AND HP=1 THEN SPEC=3;
ELSE IF COMBO NE 1 AND SI=1 THEN SPEC=4;
ELSE IF COMBO NE 1 AND OH=1 THEN SPEC=5;
ELSE IF COMBO NE 1 AND HI=1 THEN SPEC=6;
ELSE SPEC=.;

```

CONTEXTUAL VARIABLES. This group consists of four coded variables: community type (NSURBAN), type of program (HSPROG), type of post-secondary school involvement (NEWPSE), high school type (HSTYPE) and high school graduation status (coded HSGRAD).

COMMUNITY TYPE. According to NCES, persons were assigned to one of 3 categories based on the location of the school they attended in the base-year survey: 1 if urban (located in the central city of a Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA)), 2 if suburban (located outside of a central city SMSA), and 3 if rural (not located in a SMSA).

TYPE OF PROGRAM. This variable was created from FY2 (high school program at the time of the first follow-up), FD9 (program at the time the student dropped out of school) and BB002 (high school program indicated during the base year). A preference hierarchy was invoked, so that academic was assigned if the student ever reported an academic program. If there was no report of academic but a vocational program was mentioned, vocational was assigned. Finally, if general was reported, general was assigned. When all three sources were missing, the variable was declared missing. The three level coding is as follows--1 if general education, 2 if academic, and 3 if vocational-technical education.

TYPE OF POST-SECONDARY SCHOOL EXPERIENCE. The variable PSESFE84 was created by NCES as an eight level variable to describe full- and part-time participation in private and public 2 and 4 year institutions. A new variable, NEWPSE was

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created for this study to collapse PSESFE84 into three levels:

```
IF PSESFE84 GT 1 AND PSESFE84 LE 4 THEN
NEWPSE=1;
ELSE IF PSESFE84 GT 4 THEN NEWPSE=2;
ELSE NEWPSE=0;
```

TYPE OF HIGH SCHOOL. This is a nominal variable that describes the respondent's original high school sample type. Regular sample, alternative public, Cuban Hispanic public, and other Hispanic public were collapsed into public = 1. Regular Catholic, Black Catholic, and Cuban Hispanic Catholic high schools were collapsed into elite private and other private, private = 2.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS: Is determined by employing the coded variable HSDIPLM. This variable was constructed from the second follow-up variable SY12 (did respondent complete high school), transcript study variables RESNLEFT (reason left high school), and TRSTTYPE (transcript student type), and FUSTTYPE (FUI student type). For the purpose of this study the original variable HSDIPLMA was collapsed to the new variable HSGRAD, a dichotomous variable indicating either 0 for dropout or 1 for graduate, as depicted below:

```
IF HSDIPLM GE 2 THEN HSGRAD=0;
ELSE IF HSDIPLM=1 THEN HSGRAD=1;
ELSE HSGRAD=.;
```

SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT VARIABLE. Consists of a composite test score (TEST) and high school grade point average (HSGPA), and hours spent on homework per week (HSHOMEWK).

TEST. This continuous variable is an equally weighted linear composite of formula scores on standardized vocabulary (FYVOCBSD), reading (FYREADSD), and mathematics tests (FYMTH1SD), each scored with a mean of 50 and a standard deviation of 10. This variable was copied from the

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first follow-up file (FUTEST). If FUTEST was missing, BYTEST was copied. There is also a nominal version of this variable, TESTQ which sets the scores in quartiles. Cutpoints were 42.57, 49.61, and 57.06.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE. Grade point average was computed from courses, credits, and grades shown on the high school transcript obtained as part of the 1982 High School and Beyond Transcript Survey. HSGPA a continuous variable that is based on a 4-point scale.

HOURS SPENT ON HOMEWORK PER WEEK. This is a nominal variable that describes the respondent's choice of the categories:

- 1 = LIGHT - 1 HOUR
- 2 = 1 - 5 HOURS
- 3 = 5 HOURS PLUS

LABOR MARKET VARIABLES. Include the following indicators and variable codes:

LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION (employment status as of February 1984). Uses the variable, JOBSFE84 created by NCES. This is a four level variable with categories of:

- 1 = FULL-TIME JOB
- 2 = PART-TIME JOB
- 3 = UNEMPLOYED
- 4 = NOT IN THE LABOR FORCE

INCOME EARNED. This information is determined from their first job after high school on an hourly basis. This was determined by examining question SY46GA (first job) and transforming the figure to a per hourly value by using the following coding scheme:

```
IF SY46GB GT 6 THEN SY46GB=.;
IF SY46GA GE 9990 THEN SY46GA=.;
```

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```

IF SY46GB = 5 THEN HRPAY1 = (SY46GA/48) /
(SY46I);
ELSE IF SY46GB = 4 THEN HRPAY1 = (SY46GA/4) /
SY46I;
ELSE IF SY46GB = 3 THEN HRPAY1 = (SY46GA/2) /
SY46I;
ELSE IF SY46GB = 2 THEN HRPAY1 = (SY46GA/1) /
SY46I;
ELSE IF SY46GB=1 THEN HRPAY1=SY46GA;
ELSE HRPAY1=.;

```

In addition, a cap was placed on the 99 percentile and at zero to adjust for outliers and errors. In this case the first job hourly was capped at \$16.75. This was accomplished using the following coding.

```

IF HRPAY1 GT 16.75 THEN HRPAY1=16.75;
IF HRPAY1 LT 0 AND HRPAY1 NE . THEN
HRPAY1=0;

```

HOURS WORKED PER WEEK. This is derived using the information from the first job after high school as determined by question SY46I (first job). This continuous variable runs from 0 to 91 hours. Values reported over 91 hours were designated as missing. This was accomplished using the following coding.

```

IF SY46I GT 91 THEN SY46I=.;

```

DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT. This figure is determined by calculating the length of employment from the first job in question SY46E & F using the following formula:

```

IF SY46FY GT 84 THEN SY46FY=.;
IF SY46EY GT 84 THEN SY46EY=.;
IF SY46FM GT 12 THEN SY46FM=.;
IF SY46EM GT 12 THEN SY46EM=.;

```

```

IF SY46F = 2 THEN EMPTIME1 = (SY46FY + SY46FM/12)

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```

- (SY46EY + SY46EM/12);
ELSE IF SY46F = 1 THEN EMPTIME1 = (84 + 4/12) -
(SY46EY + SY46EM/12);

```

Here too it was necessary to place a cap on the lower end of EMPTIME1 due to errors in student reporting. This error was possible if the respondent checked the wrong box for the year or month, thereby producing a negative duration of employment. The following procedure caps the lower value of EMPTIME1 and transforms all negative values to a zero:

```
IF EMPTIME1 NE . AND EMPTIME1 LT 0 THEN EMPTIME1=0;
```

FIRST JOB CLASSIFICATION. NCES classifies SY46A (first job), SY47A (second job), SY48A (third job), and SY49A (fourth job) according to the following classification scheme:

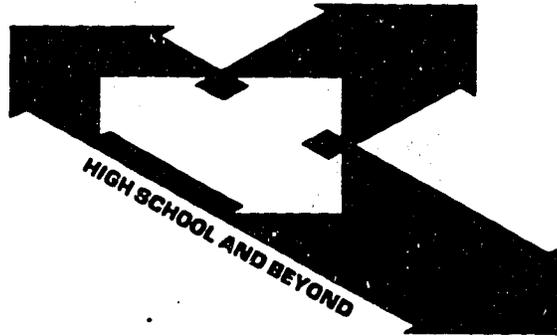
```

IF 001 LE SY46A LE 196 THEN OCC=1; (PROFESSIONAL)
ELSE IF 201 LE SY46A LE 246 THEN OCC=2; (MANAGERS)
ELSE IF 260 LE SY46A LE 296 THEN OCC=3; (SALES)
ELSE IF 301 LE SY46A LE 396 THEN OCC=4; (CLERICAL)
ELSE IF 401 LE SY46A LE 586 THEN OCC=5; (CRAFTS)
ELSE IF 601 LE SY46A LE 696 THEN OCC=6; (OPERATIVES)
ELSE IF 701 LE SY46A LE 726 THEN OCC=7; (TRANS
OPERATIVE)
ELSE IF 740 LE SY46A LE 796 THEN OCC=8; (NON-FARM
LABOR)
ELSE IF 801 LE SY46A LE 806 THEN OCC=9; (FARMERS)
ELSE IF 821 LE SY46A LE 846 THEN OCC=10; (FARM LABOR)
ELSE IF 901 LE SY46A LE 976 THEN OCC=11; (SERVICE
WORKERS)
ELSE IF 980 LE SY46A LE 986 THEN OCC=12; (PRIVATE
HOUSEHOLD WORKERS)

```

Occupation and industry were coded according to the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Classified Index of Industries and Occupations, 1970 and the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Alphabetical Index of Industries and Occupations, 1970. The 1970 edition was used so that the coding on HSB would coincide with that used on The National Longitudinal Study of the High School Class of 1972. The codes can be found in Appendix C.1 of the HSB (1984) User's guide.

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Box Plot Explanation

A boxplot, as illustrated below, provides information concerning the entire distribution of scores for the four groups of youth. Each boxplot consists of a rectangle with dotted lines extending vertically from the two ends. The horizontal line which forms the top of the box represents the 75th percentile for each group, while the line which forms the bottom of the box represents the 25th percentile, and the horizontal line between the top and bottom of the box represents the 50th percentile (or median).

Please refer to the example of a boxplot for performance on the test composite from High School and Beyond. The vertical axis represents the range of test composite scores. In our example, the test composite has a mean score of 50. The horizontal axis depicts the four groups in the example.

First, focus on the middle of the distribution and note that the line inside the box represents the median for each of the groups. For example, the nonhandicapped dropouts had a median score of approximately 43. This means that half of the nonhandicapped dropouts in the sample scored 43 or below and that half of them scored above 43 on the vertical axis. In contrast, the nonhandicapped graduates had a median score of 52.

Next, for illustration purposes, look at the top of the nonhandicapped dropout boxplot and note that the 75th percentile score was approximately 48. Their graduate peers had a 75th percentile score of approximately 59.

Other information contained in the boxplot includes the plus sign ("+") which represents the mean score. The lines extending from the box represents the upper and lower 25 percent of the observations. The splitting of the distribution into four groups of 25 percent is often referred to as a quartile distribution. Thus the lower quartile would refer to the students scoring in the lower 25

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