# STATEWIDE

## Ongoing Safety Assessments

### Round 2 - Safety Model QA Review

# CHARTS

Review Period: October 2009 - March 2010

Report Date: December 2010

*Note: Statewide data is reported in charts 1-10 and Service Area data is reported in Tables 1-10.*

# Statewide - Ongoing Safety Assessments

## Child and Family Service Specialist - Initial Responses for Ongoing Assessments with NEW Child Abuse and Neglect Referrals

Sample Size: 492 Ongoing Safety Assessments, 72 assessments completed in relation to a New Child Abuse and Neglect Referrals

*Note: 65% of all available Ongoing Safety Assessments were reviewed during the period under review.*

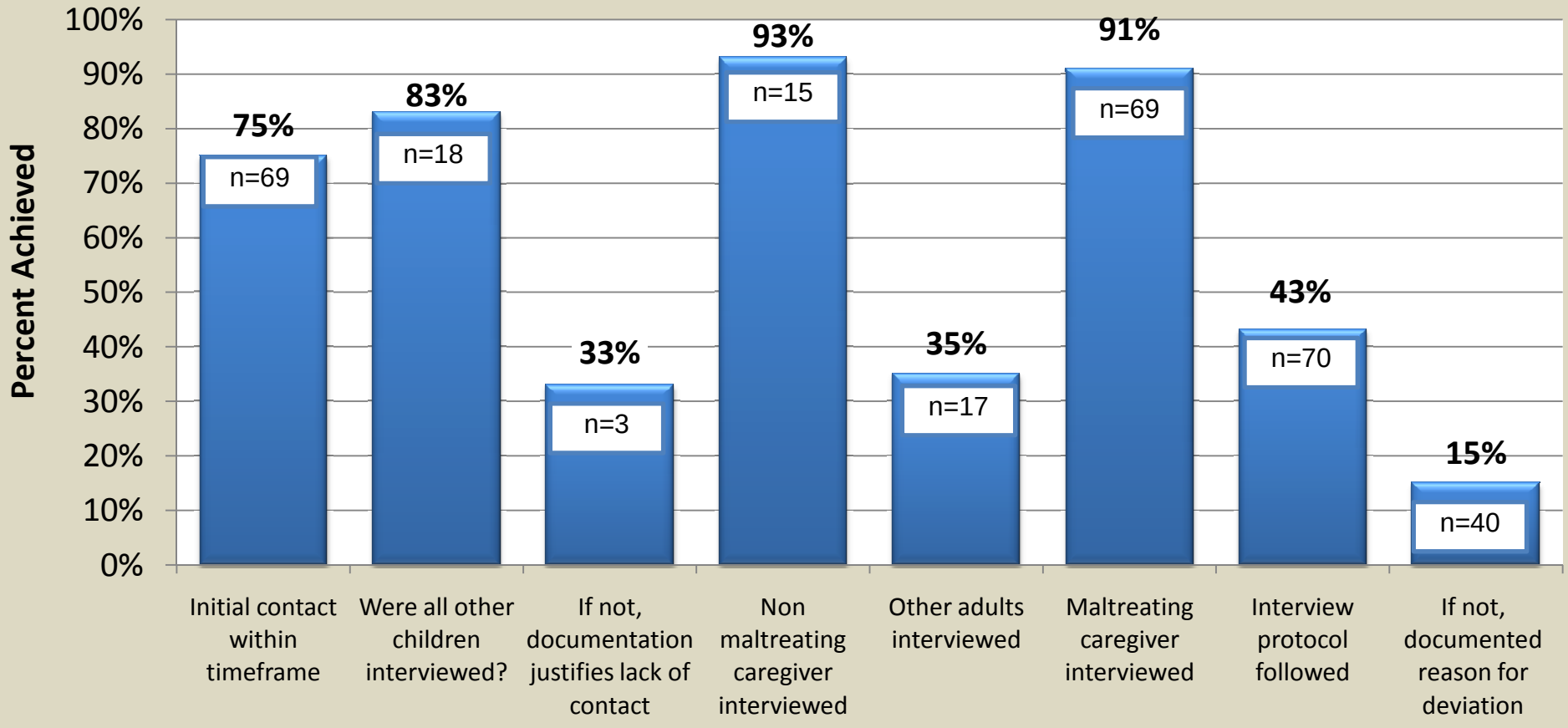
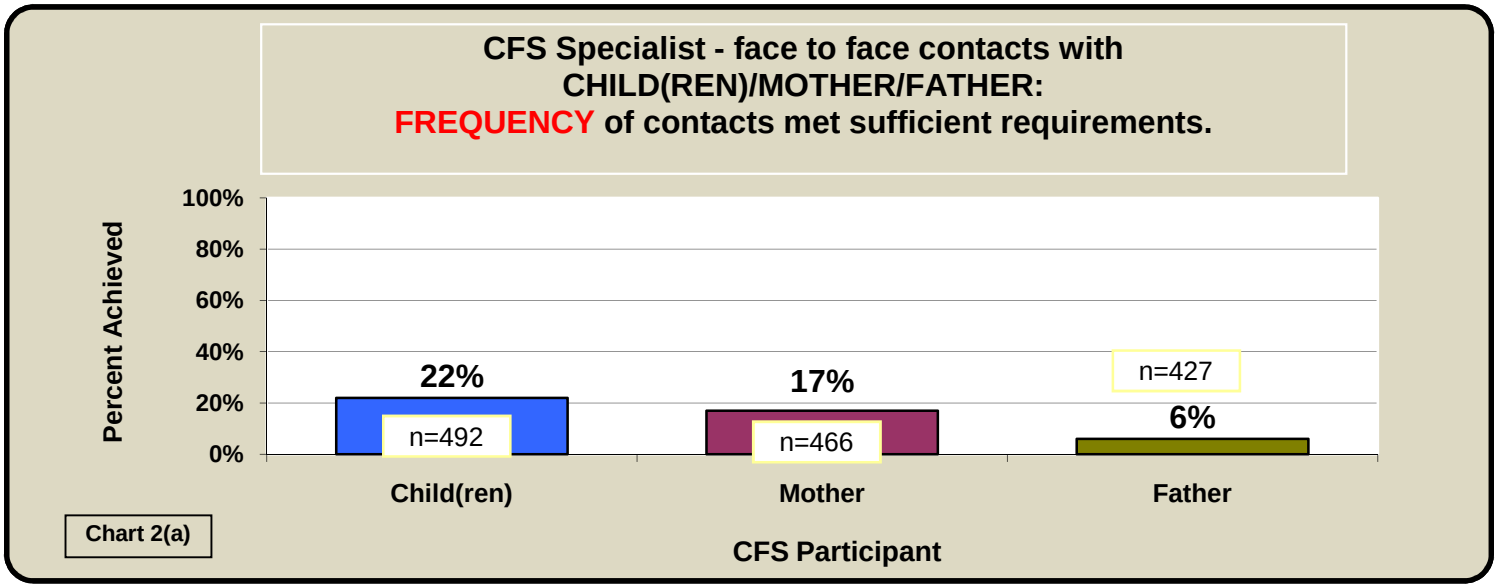
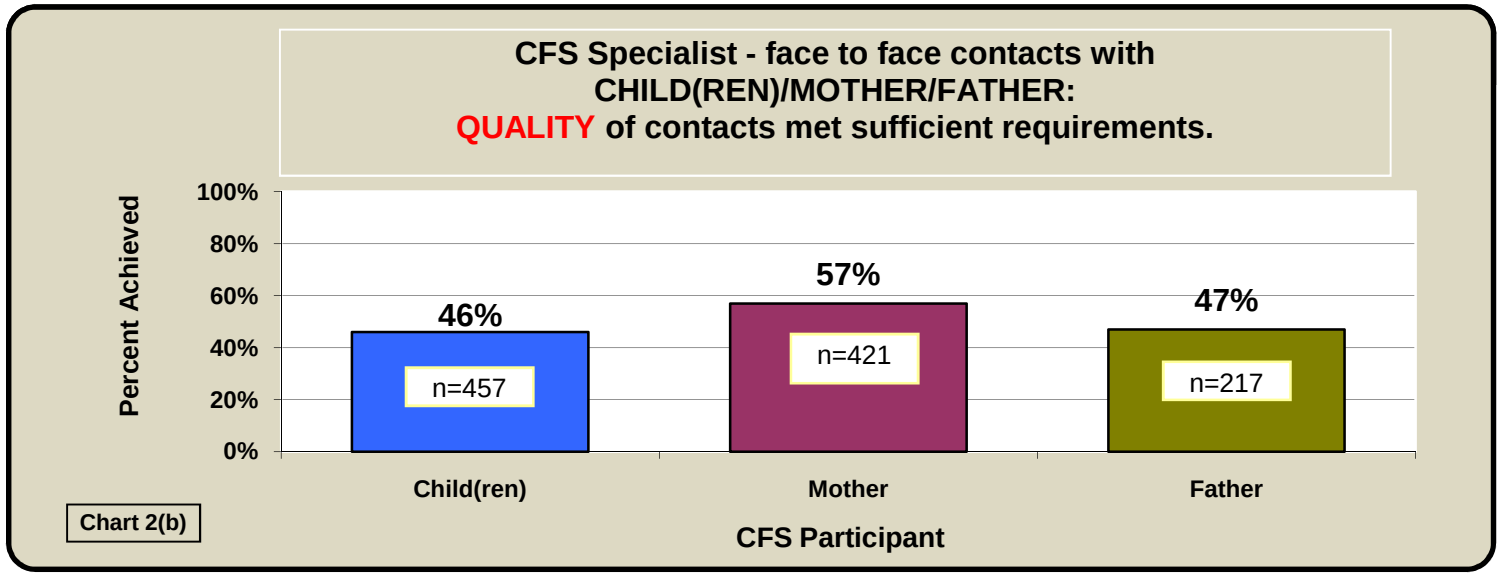



Chart 1

**Safety QA - Questions**

# Statewide - Frequency & Quality of Contacts



# Statewide - Ongoing Safety Assessments

## Identification of Present Danger

Sample Size: 492 Ongoing Safety Assessments

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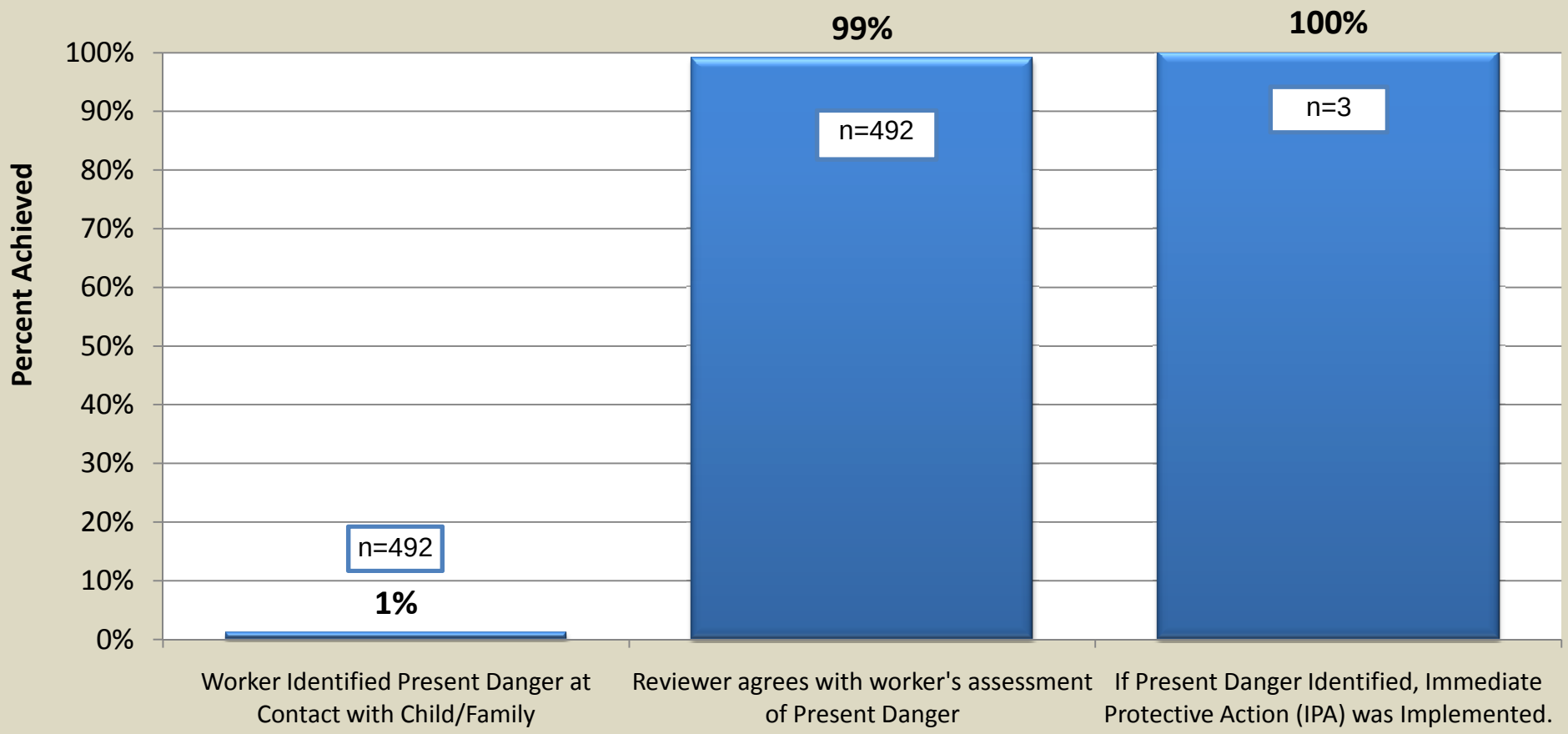


Chart 3

# Statewide - Ongoing Safety Assessments

## Protective Action Plans (IPA)

Sample Size: 492 Ongoing Safety Assessments

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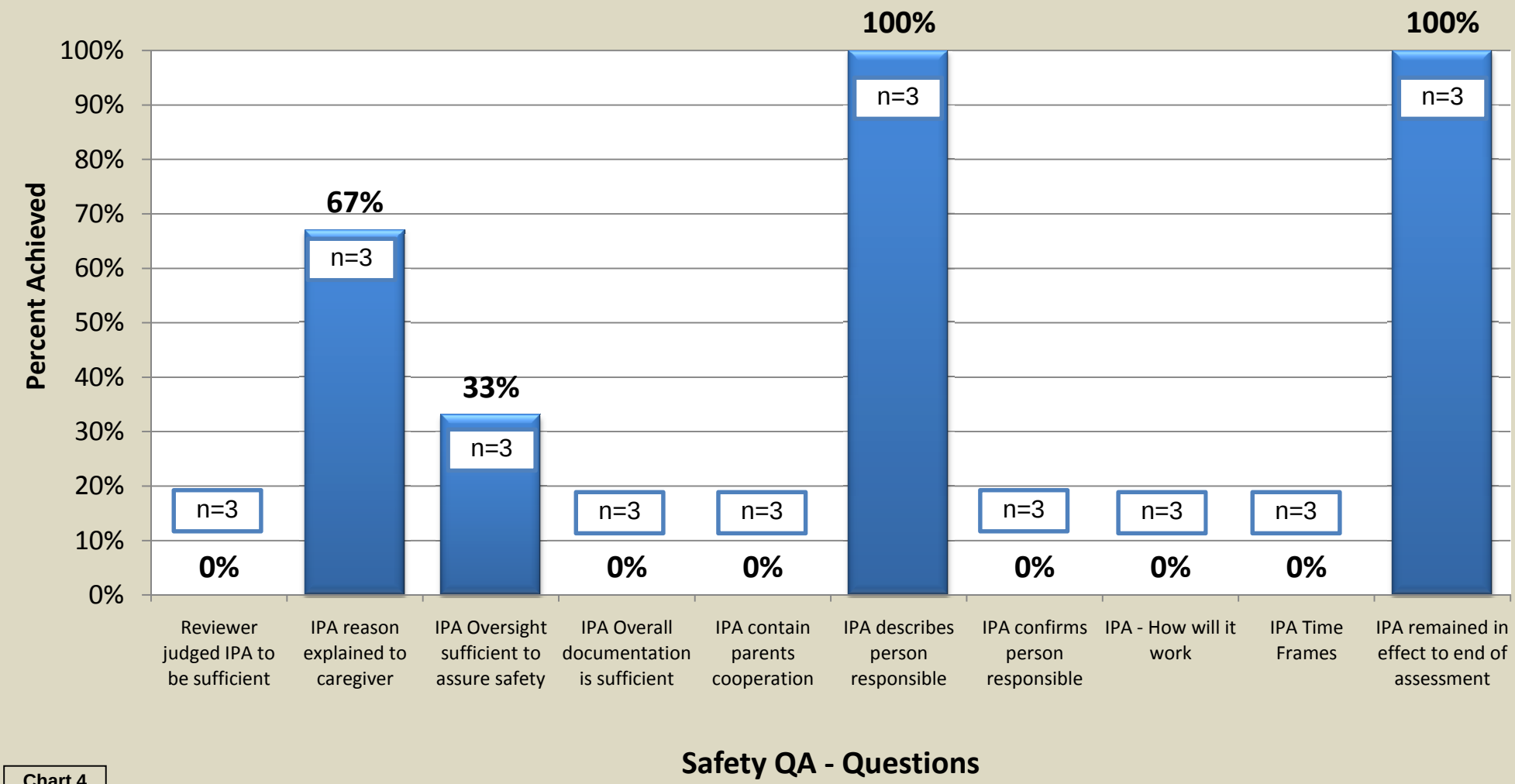



Chart 4

# Statewide - Ongoing Safety Assessments

## Domains, Collateral Contacts, Family Information & ICWA

Sample Size: 492 Ongoing Safety Assessments

*Note: 65% of all available Ongoing Safety Assessments were reviewed during the period under review.*
*Margin of error for Safety QA Questions range from 2.1% to 2.6%*

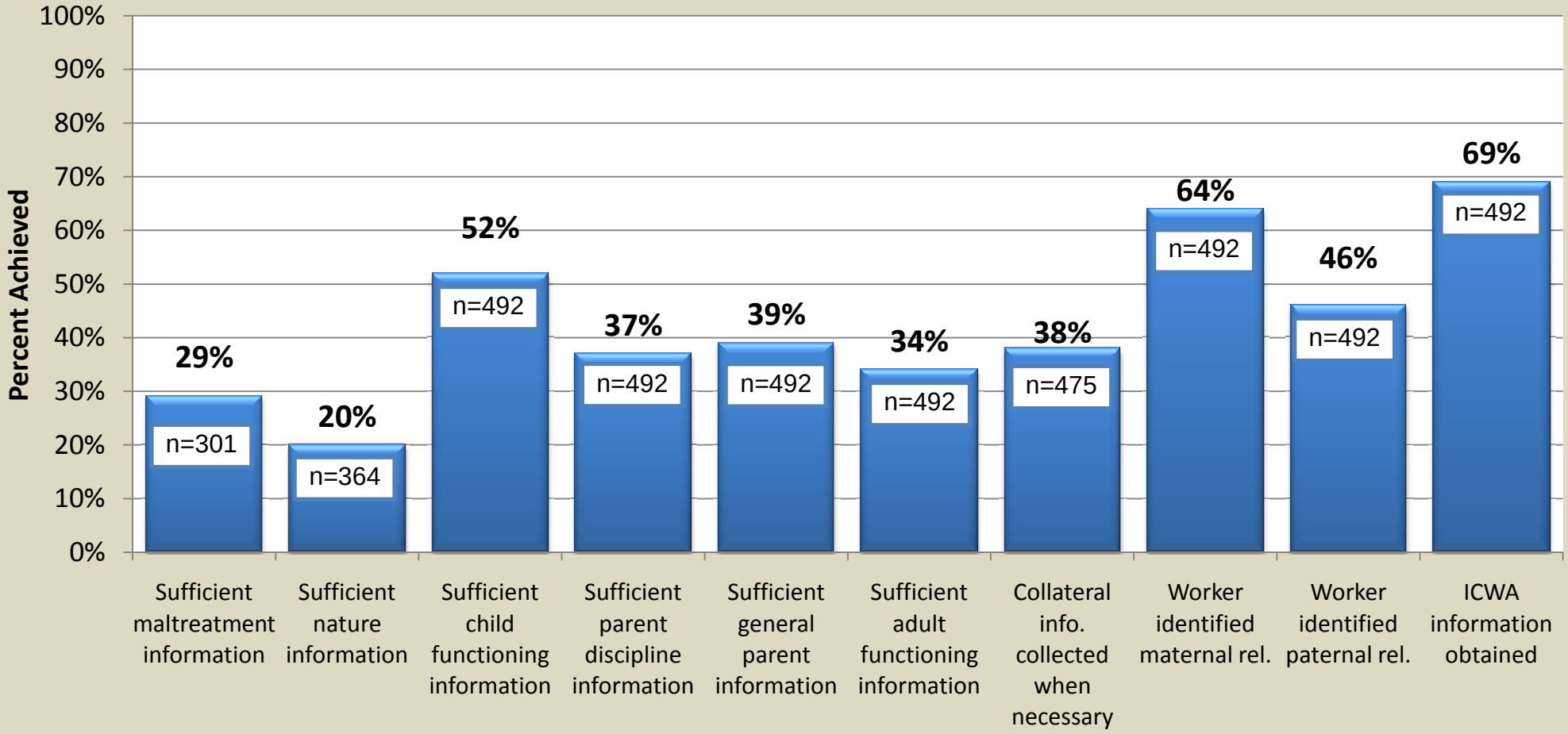


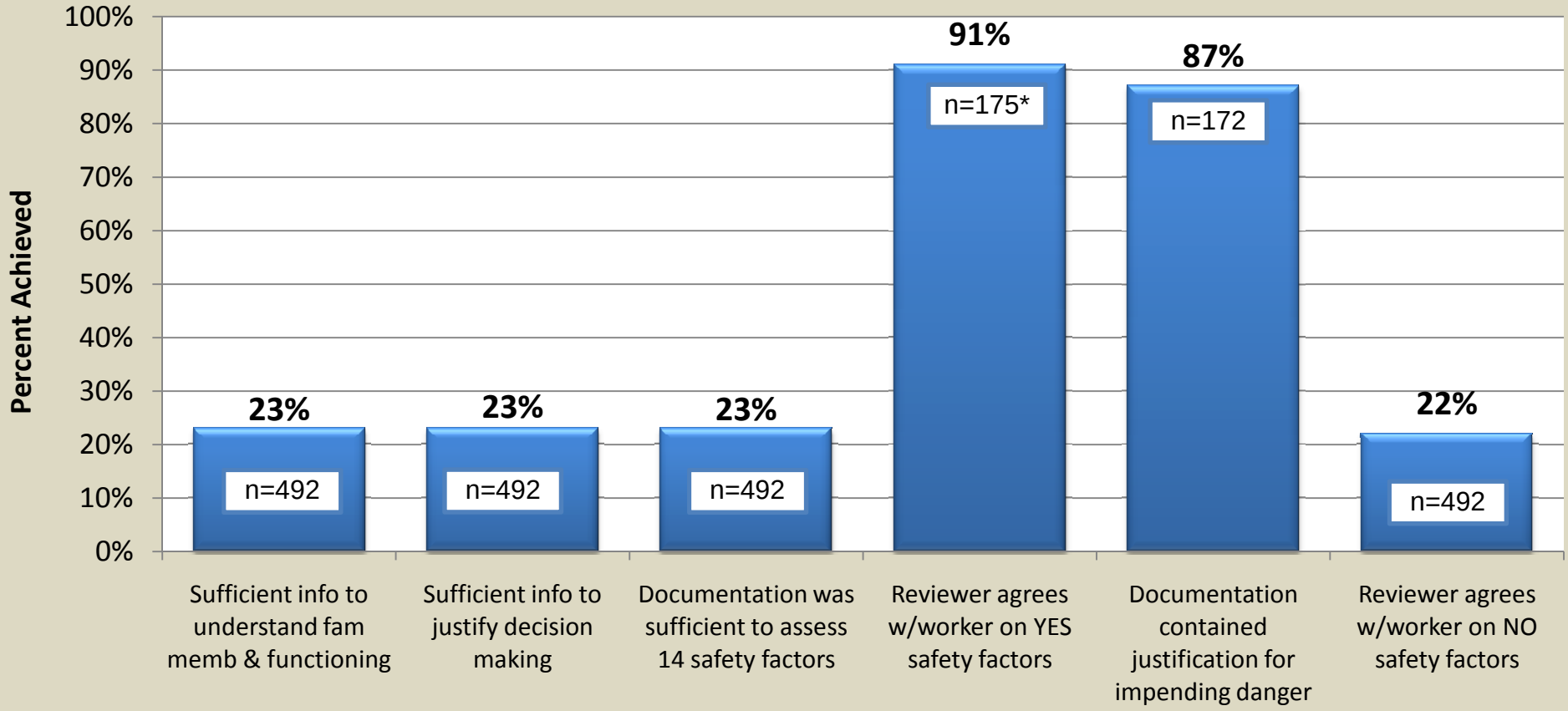

Chart 5

# Statewide - Ongoing Safety Assessments

## Identification of Impending Danger & Safety Evaluation

Sample Size: 492 Ongoing Safety Assessments

*Note: 64% of all available Ongoing Safety Assessments were reviewed during the period under review.*
*Margin of error for Safety QA Questions range from 1.5% - 2.2%*




***Note: *Due to data entry error there is a discrepancy in the number of applicable cases for the following item: Reviewer agrees with worker on YES safety factors. There should be 172 applicable cases instead of 175.***

**Safety QA - Questions**

Chart 6

# Statewide - Ongoing Safety Assessments

## Safety Plans

Total Number of Safety Plans assessed by reviewers = 195

**This chart does not include the margin of error for each of the Safety Plan questions due to lack of information regarding the total number of Safety Plans completed throughout the State during the period under review.**

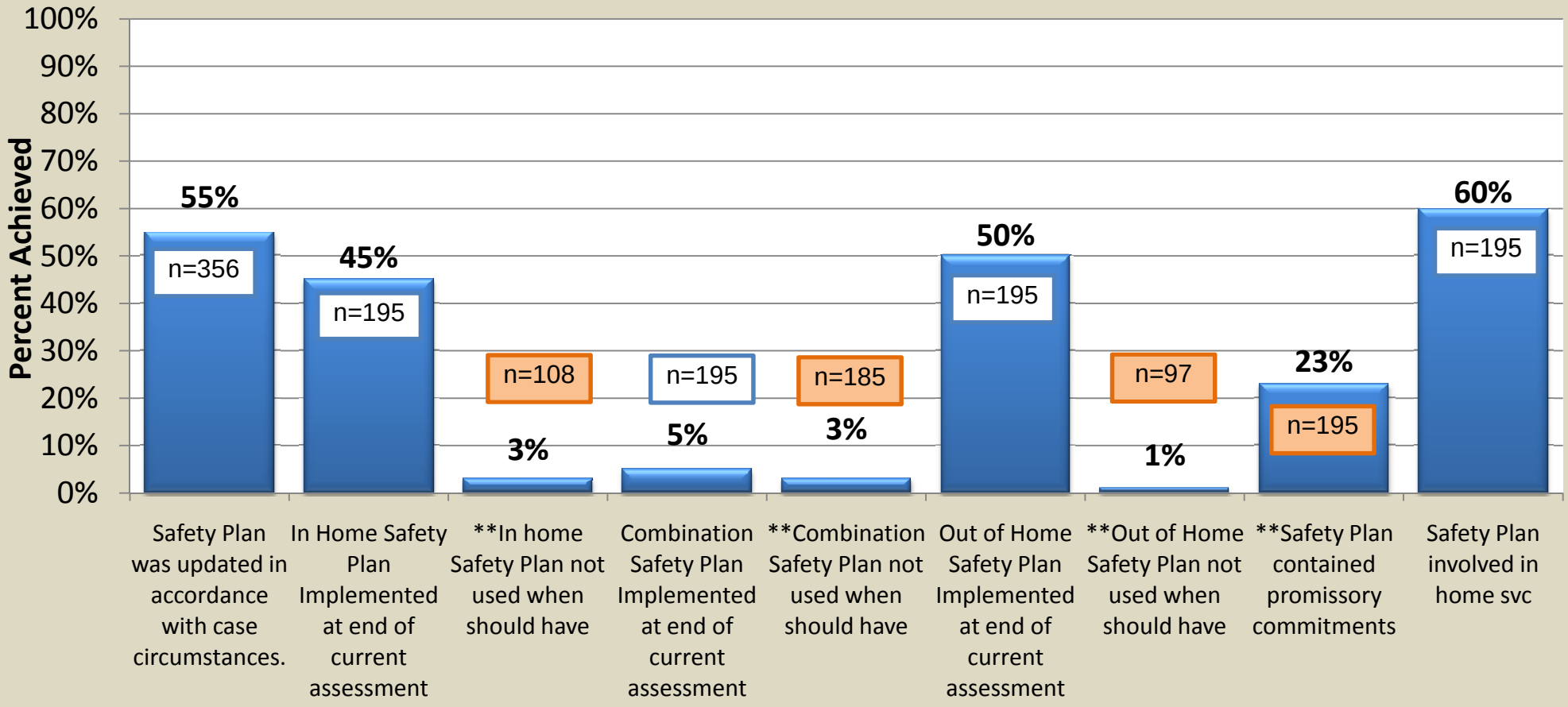



Chart 7

Note: ***** These questions use a reverse scale (LOWER NUMBER IS BETTER)***

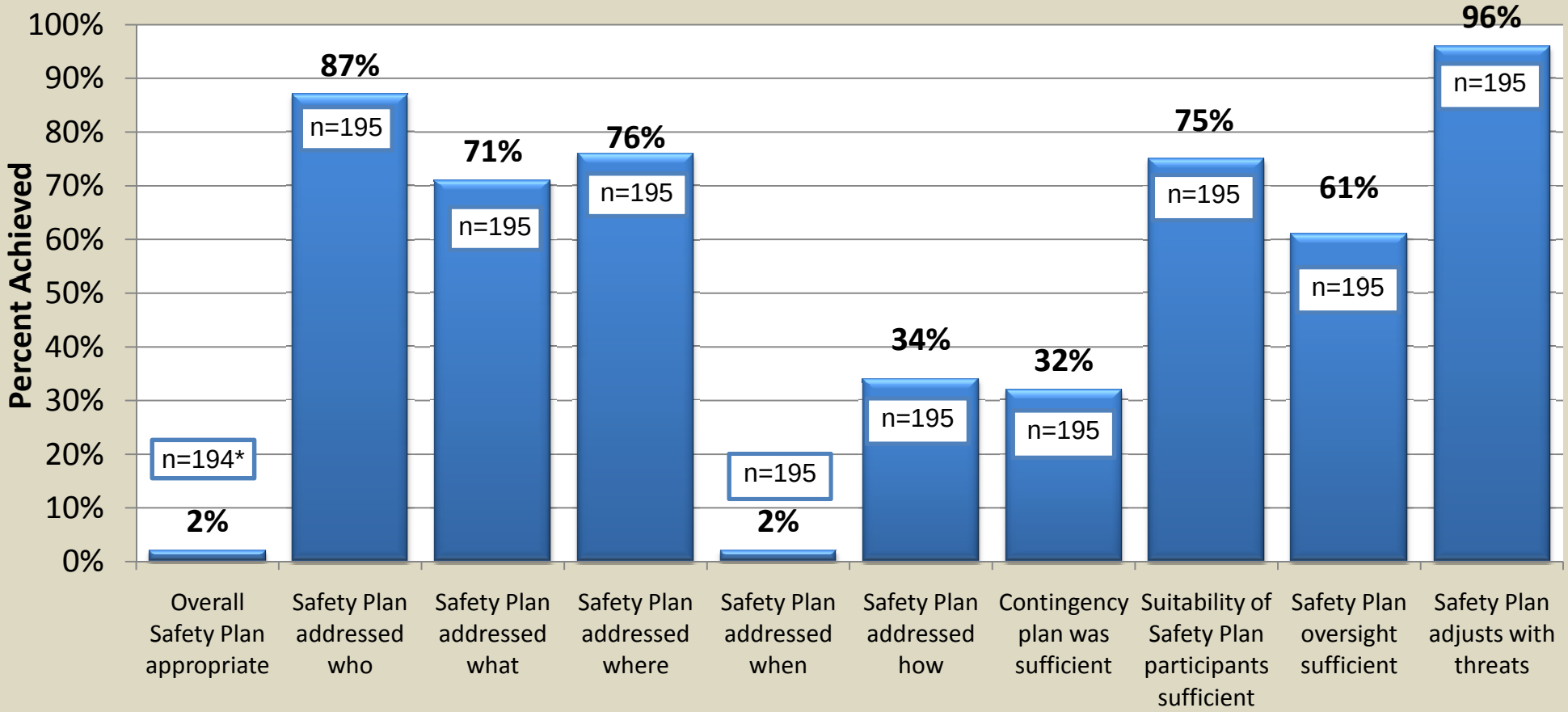
**Safety QA - Questions**

# Statewide - Ongoing Safety Assessments

## Safety Plans cont.

Total number of Safety Plans assessed by reviewers = 195

**This chart does not include the margin of error for each of the Safety Plan questions due to lack of information regarding the total number of Safety Plans completed in throughout the State during the period under review.**




***Note: *Due to data entry error there is a discrepancy in the number of applicable cases for the following item: Overall Safety Plan appropriate. There should be 195 applicable cases instead of 194***

**Safety QA - Questions**

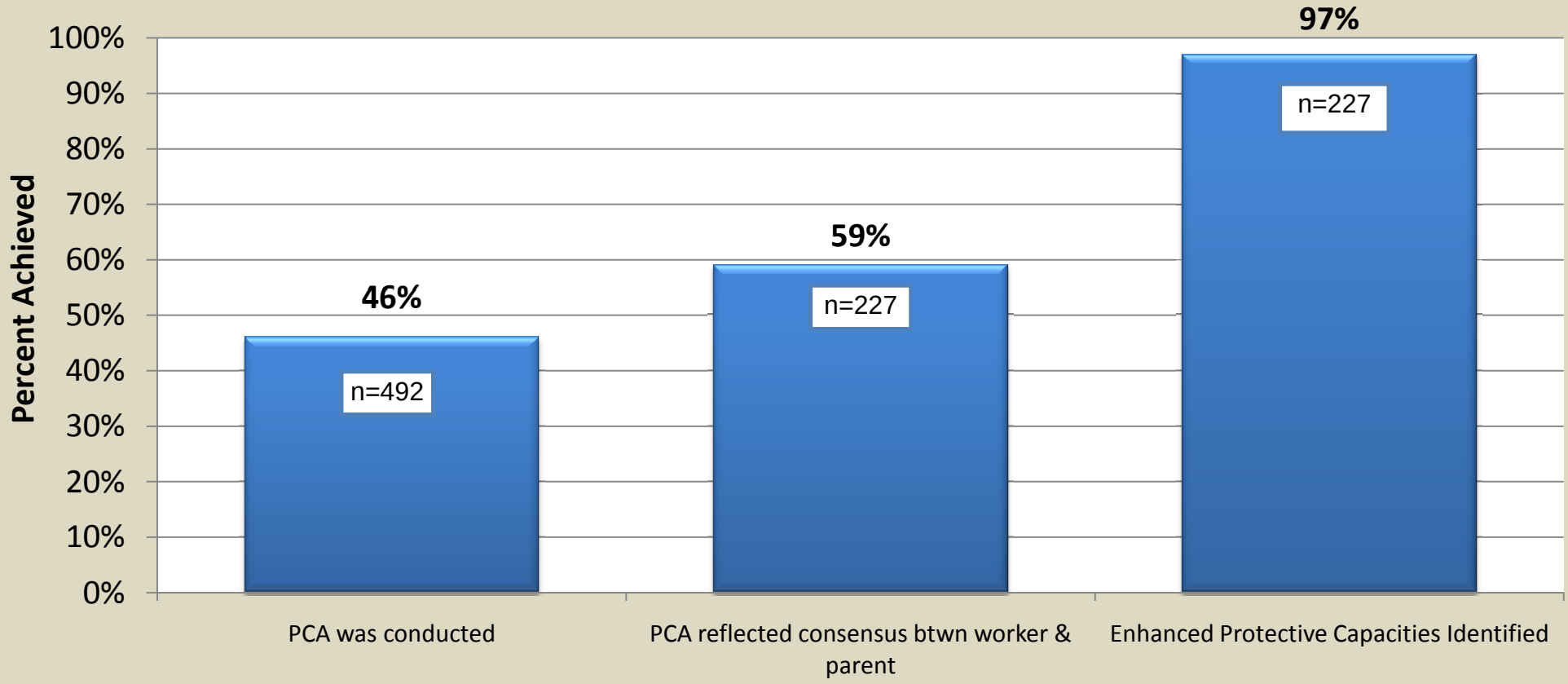
Chart 8

# Statewide - Ongoing Safety Assessments

## Protective Capacity Assessment (PCA)

Total Number of PCA assessed by reviewers = 227

**This chart does not include the margin of error for each of the Protective Capacity Assessment questions due to lack of information regarding the total number of PCA completed throughout the State during the period under review.**




**NOTE: The QA tool does not assess whether or not the worker met their time frame in documenting the Protective Capacity Assessment (PCA) on N-FOCUS. The QA team only reviews the quality of the PCA if it is finalized on N-FOCUS at the time of the review.**

**Safety QA - Questions**

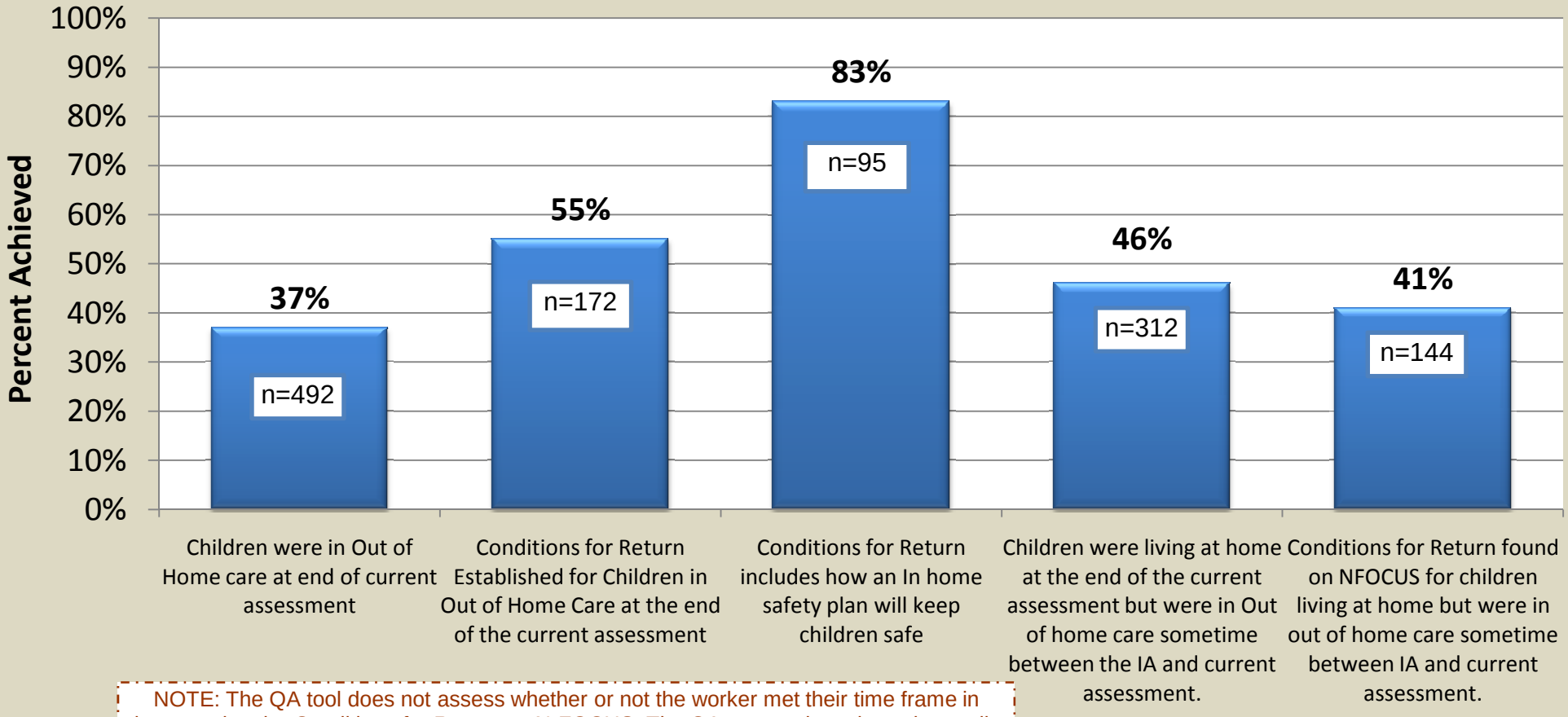
**Chart 9**

# Statewide - Ongoing Safety Assessments

## Conditions for Return

Total Conditions of Return assessed by reviewers = 95

**This chart does not include the margin of error for each of the Condition of Return questions due to lack of information regarding the total number of Conditions for Return completed throughout the State during the period under review.**




NOTE: The QA tool does not assess whether or not the worker met their time frame in documenting the Conditions for Return on N-FOCUS. The QA team only reviews the quality of the Conditions for Return for children in out of home care at the end of the current assessment if it is finalized on N-FOCUS at the time of the review.

Chart 10

**Safety QA - Questions**

# Ongoing Safety Assessment

## Round 2 - Safety Model QA

# Service Area Results

## Review Period: October 2009 - March 2010

***Note: Additional details can be found in the individual Service Area reports and charts that are posted on the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services website at the following address: http://www.dhhs.ne.gov/Children_Family_Services/CQI/Reports.htm***

# SERVICE AREA DATA

| *# of Assessments Reviewed Per Service Area* | 37 | 190 | 44 | 174 | 47 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|

## TABLE 1

### Types of Assessments Reviewed (Number Reviewed)

| REVIEW QUESTION | CSA | ESA | NSA | SESA | WSA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| NEW CAN REPORT | 0 | 22 | 3 | 36 | 11 |
| REVIEW PURPOSES | 1 | 11 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| TRANSFER TO ONGOING | 2 | 9 | 0 | 12 | 0 |
| VISITATION PLANNING | 3 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 1 |
| PLANNING FOR REUNIFICATION | 9 | 31 | 10 | 11 | 4 |
| CHANGE IN CASE CIRCUMSTANCES | 6 | 33 | 4 | 30 | 4 |
| CASE CLOSURE | 16 | 78 | 19 | 81 | 27 |

## TABLE 2

### Child and Family Service Specialist - Initial Responses for NEW Child Abuse and Neglect Referral.

| REVIEW QUESTION | CSA | ESA | NSA | SESA | WSA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Initial Contact with all child victims was made in the required time frame. | NA | 58% | 67% | 81% | 91% |
| All other children in the household were interviewed | NA | 100% | NA | 75% | 100% |
| Non maltreating caregiver was interviewed. | NA | 83% | NA | 100% | 100% |
| Other adults in the home were interviewed. | NA | 29% | 100% | 43% | 0% |
| Maltreating caregiver was interviewed. | NA | 95% | 100% | 86% | 100% |
| Interview protocol was followed | NA | 25% | 100% | 50% | 36% |

## TABLE 3

*For the CFSS contact with the youth and family, the review period was defined as six months prior to the end date of the current Safety Assessment under review or initial Safety Assessment to end date of updated Safety Assessment. In some instances, review period may have not been six months.*

### Child and Family Service Specialist - Frequency and Quality of Contacts.

| REVIEW QUESTION | CSA | ESA | NSA | SESA | WSA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Frequency of CFSS contacts with the child(ren). | 41% | 24% | 36% | 10% | 26% |
| Quality of CFSS contacts with the child(ren). | 39% | 46% | 68% | 43% | 43% |
| Frequency of CFSS contacts with the mother. | 35% | 17% | 31% | 11% | 13% |
| Quality of CFSS contacts with the mother. | 67% | 60% | 70% | 49% | 49% |
| Frequency of CFSS contacts with the father. | 16% | 5% | 8% | 4% | 5% |
| Quality of CFSS contacts with the father. | 40% | 55% | 63% | 38% | 35% |

# SERVICE AREA DATA

## TABLE 4

### Present Danger - Immediate Protective Action Plans (IPA)

| REVIEW QUESTION | CSA | ESA | NSA | SESA | WSA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Worker identified present danger during contacts with the child/family. | 0% | 0% | 5% | 1% | 0% |
| Reviewer agreed with the worker's assessment of present danger. | 100% | 100% | 100% | 99% | 98% |
| The reason for the (IPA) was explained to the caregiver. | NA | NA | 0% | 100% | NA |
| The (IPA) included an oversight requirement that ensured child safety. | NA | NA | 100% | 0% | NA |
| The (IPA) contained the parent's willingness to cooperate. | NA | NA | 0% | 0% | NA |
| The (IPA) contained the description of person(s) responsible for the protective action. | NA | NA | 100% | 100% | NA |
| The (IPA) contained confirmation of the person(s) responsible for the protective action. | NA | NA | 0% | 0% | NA |
| The (IPA) described how the protective action was going to work. | NA | NA | 0% | 0% | NA |
| The (IPA) included the timeframes for the protective action. | NA | NA | 0% | 0% | NA |

## TABLE 5

### 6 DOMAINS

| REVIEW QUESTION | CSA | ESA | NSA | SESA | WSA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sufficient information collected regarding the extent of MALTREATMENT. | 27% | 26% | 12% | 37% | 26% |
| Sufficient information collected regarding the NATURE of maltreatment. | 19% | 21% | 7% | 24% | 9% |
| Sufficient information collected regarding CHILD FUNCTIONING. | 35% | 55% | 68% | 56% | 26% |
| Sufficient information collected regarding parenting DISCIPLINARY PRACTICES. | 22% | 38% | 41% | 43% | 23% |
| Sufficient information collected regarding general PARENTING PRACTICES. | 35% | 39% | 39% | 44% | 21% |
| Sufficient information collected regarding ADULT FUNCTIONING. | 32% | 29% | 36% | 41% | 21% |

## TABLE 6

### COLLATERAL CONTACTS, KINSHIP, ICWA

| REVIEW QUESTION | CSA | ESA | NSA | SESA | WSA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Assessment indicated that information should have been collected from collateral sources. | 100% | 94% | 98% | 98% | 98% |
| Collateral information was collected and incorporated when necessary. | 16% | 33% | 49% | 49% | 24% |
| Worker identified maternal relatives. | 59% | 52% | 86% | 73% | 62% |
| Worker identified paternal relatives. | 49% | 35% | 68% | 49% | 51% |
| Worker obtained information regarding ICWA. | 62% | 58% | 91% | 75% | 77% |

# SERVICE AREA DATA

## TABLE 7

## SAFEY EVALUATION

| REVIEW QUESTION | CSA | ESA | NSA | SESA | WSA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Information was sufficient to provide a reasonable understanding of family members. | 14% | 22% | 32% | 27% | 9% |
| Information was sufficient to support and justify decision making. | 14% | 22% | 32% | 27% | 9% |
| Information was sufficient in the 6 domains to assess the 14 safety factors. | 14% | 22% | 32% | 28% | 9% |
| The reviewer agreed with the worker on all safety factors identified as NO. | 14% | 21% | 27% | 28% | 9% |
| The reviewer agreed with the worker on all safety factors identified as YES. | 88% | 91% | 80% | 97% | 83% |
| Documentation contained justification for impending danger in safety factors marked as YES. | 63% | 88% | 89% | 92% | 75% |
| Worker identified Impending Danger at the end of the assessment. | 22% | 39% | 43% | 34% | 26% |
| Reviewer agreed with the worker's assessment of impending danger. | 30% | 49% | 52% | 46% | 32% |

## TABLE 8

## SAFETY PLAN

| REVIEW QUESTION | CSA | ESA | NSA | SESA | WSA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Safety plan was completed in accordance with changes in case circumstances. | 42% | 56% | 57% | 58% | 50% |
| In Home Safety Plan was utilized. | 54% | 32% | 65% | 49% | 69% |
| ***If an In Home Safety Plan was not utilized, worker should have utilized one.*** | *0%* | *2%* | *0%* | *6%* | *0%* |
| Combination Safety Plan was utilized. | 0% | 6% | 12% | 3% | 8% |
| ***If a Combination Safety Plan was not utilized, worker should have utilized one.*** | *8%* | *4%* | *0%* | *2%* | *0%* |
| Out of Home Safety Plan was utilized. | 46% | 62% | 24% | 48% | 23% |
| ***If a Out of Home Safety Plan was not utilized, worker should have utilized one.*** | *0%* | *0%* | *0%* | *3%* | *0%* |
| Safety plan contained a sufficient contingency plan. | 23% | 27% | 24% | 42% | 38% |
| Safety plan contained sufficient regarding suitability of safety plan participants. | 46% | 66% | 82% | 90% | 85% |
| Safety plan addressed WHO can make sure the child is protected | 77% | 88% | 76% | 93% | 77% |
| Safety plan addressed WHAT action is needed. | 85% | 76% | 65% | 64% | 62% |
| Safety plan addressed WHERE the plan and action was taking place. | 92% | 82% | 53% | 70% | 85% |
| Safety plan addressed WHEN the action was going to be finished. | 8% | 1% | 0% | 3% | 0% |
| Safety plan addressed HOW the actions were going to control the safety threats. | 62% | 35% | 29% | 28% | 31% |
| ***Safety plan contained caregiver promissory commitments.*** | *23%* | *22%* | *24%* | *22%* | *23%* |
| Safety plan involved In Home services. | 62% | 53% | 71% | 61% | 85% |
| Safety plan ran continuously as long as safety threats are present. | 92% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Safety plan included an oversight requirement sufficient to assure child safety. | 46% | 65% | 71% | 57% | 54% |
| Safety plan adjusted as threats increased or decreased. | 100% | 96% | 94% | 97% | 92% |

**** Lower number is better for these questions.***

# SERVICE AREA DATA

## TABLE 9

## Protective Capacity Assessment (PCA)

| REVIEW QUESTION | CSA | ESA | NSA | SESA | WSA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| A Protective Capacity Assessment (PCA) was conducted. | 16% | 45% | 68% | 52% | 32% |
| PCA reflected that a consensus was reached about what has or needs to change. | 17% | 52% | 57% | 68% | 60% |
| Worker identified enhanced protective capacities in the PCA. | 83% | 98% | 100% | 98% | 93% |

## TABLE 10

## Conditions for Return

| REVIEW QUESTION | CSA | ESA | NSA | SESA | WSA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Conditions for Return were established for children in out of home care at the end of the assessment. | 43% | 57% | 87% | 53% | 22% |
| Conditions for Return included how an In Home Safety Plan was going to keep the children safe. | 100% | 79% | 100% | 78% | 100% |
| Conditions of Return was found on NFOCUS for children who were living at home at the end of the assessment, but were in out of home care longer than 30 days between the IA and the current assessment. | 25% | 41% | 79% | 43% | 9% |