# Interventions Being Implemented in RTI: A Snapshot of the Nation 

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## Sample

We sampled a subset of 15 districts (5 large, representing over 30,000 students, K-12; 5 medium, representing between 6,000 and 20,000 students, K-12; and 5 small, representing fewer than 5000 students $\mathrm{K}-12$ ). Within each size range, we sampled districts to achieve geographic diversity, reporting all interventions they had logged into the easyCBM system for the 2014-2015 School Year. In all, our sample yielded 23,220 logged interventions.
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## Data Collection

| All Students | $\pm$ | Reading Example |  |  |  | * |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ball, Adalberto | $1)>$ | Ter | Subject | Ratio | Duration | Frequency |
| Bernier, Alaina | (1) | 1 | Reading | 3-5:1 | 15 min/day | 5 days/week |
| Bohman, Janett | (1) | A short description of the Reading Example intervention. |  |  |  |  |
| Cerrato, Oliver | (1) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cupp, Mary | (1) | Curicula |  |  |  |  |
| Dimauro, Bobbie | (2) $>$ | Treasure Chest (ELL) |  |  |  | (1) |
| Disher, Kara | (0) | Strategies |  |  |  |  |
| Engstrom, Darline | (0) | Teach students to identify and use organizational structures |  |  |  |  |
| Fairfax, Marcene | (1) | Drill and practice to build fluency |  |  |  |  |
| Klopfer, Emiko | (0) | Guided practice |  |  |  |  |
| Leiser, Perry | (0) |  |  |  |  |  |
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## Create Template Rapid Reader

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## Instructional Strategies

| Add new strategy | (i |
| :--- | :--- |
| Drill and practice to build fluency | i |
| Scaffold practice with visual prompts / crib sheet with steps | i |
| Use visual representations / models / manipulatives | i |
| Reciprocal teaching | (i) |
| Explicit demonstration / modeling | i |
| Teach students to identify and use organizational structures | e |

## Instructional Reading

| Tier | Subject | Ratio | Duration | Frequency |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SPED | Reading | $1: 1$ | $30 \mathrm{~min} /$ day | 5 days/week |

One-on-one instruction with the student to help improve reading


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## Demographics

Table 1
Demographics of Districts Sampled

| Size | District \# | State | Student enrolment, $\mathrm{K}-12$ | \% Free \& Reduced Price Meals | \% Minority | \# of Interventions logged |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Large | 1 | Texas | 45,000 | 80\% | 96\% | 1283 |
|  | 2 | Oklahoma | 43,000 | 88\% | 82\% | 11,714 |
|  | 3 | Florida | 40,000 | 63\% | 60\% | 468 |
|  | 4 | Oregon | 39,800 | 39\% | 26\% | 1479 |
|  | 5 | Georgia | 39,000 | 31\% | 26\% | 530 |
| Medium | 6 | Oregon | 17,368 | 39\% | 30\% | 2026 |
|  | 7 | Illinois | 14.057 | 67\% | 75\% | 332 |
|  | 8 | Oregon | 10,895 | 76\% | 54\% | 2392 |
|  | 9 | Oregon | 10,600 | $33 \%$ | 35\% | 1597 |
|  | 10 | Indiana | 6583 | 72\% | 48\% | 103 |
| Small | 11 | Oregon | 4574 | 63\% | 18\% | 756 |
|  | 12 | Washington | 4185 | 65\% | 33\% | 512 |
|  | 13 | Louisiana | 4018 | 75\% | 46\% | 101 |
|  | 14 | Washington | 1350 | 55\% | 54\% | 37 |
|  | 15 | Maine | 634 | 7\% | 5\% | 44 |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  | 22,220 |

## Interventions Logged, By Subject

Days/Week Ratio: Student/Adult

| 1-3 | Math |  | $\begin{aligned} & M=35.10 ; \text { Mode }=30 ; \\ & \text { Range }=5-70 \end{aligned}$ | $1=84$ (4.1\%) | $1: 1=31(1.5 \%)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2061 |  | $2=192(9.3 \%)$ | $2: 1=25$ (1.2\%) |
|  |  | (9\%) |  | $3=250$ (12.1\%) | $3-5: 1=394$ (19.1\%) |
|  |  |  |  | $4=986$ (47.8\%) | 6-10:1 = 910 (44.2\%) |
|  |  |  |  | $5=549$ (26.6\%) | $11+: 1=701$ (34\%) |


|  |  |  |  | $1=570$ (2.8\%) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | $2=982(4.9 \%)$ | $1: 1=1106(5.5 \%)$ |
|  |  | 20,159 | $M=30.87$; | $3=2050$ (10.2\%) | $2: 1=456(2.3 \%)$ |
| 1-3 | Reading |  | Mode $=30$; | $4=4045$ (20.1\%) | 3-5:1 = 9195 (45.6\%) |
|  |  | (91\%) | Range $=1-213$ | $5=12,418$ (61.6\%) | $6-10: 1=5293$ (26.3\%) |
|  |  |  |  | $6=70$ (0.3\%) | $11+: 1=4109$ (20.4\%) |
|  |  |  |  | $7=24(0.1 \%)$ |  |

Reading $=91 \%$ of logged interventions
Math: 4 days/week; 6-10:1
Rdg: 5 days/week; 3-5:1

## Interventions Logged, Tier 1

Minutes/Session Days/Week
Ratio: Student/Adult

|  | $1=84(38.4 \%)$ | $1: 1=8(3.7 \%)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $M=35.84 ;$ Mode $=70 ;$ | $2=26(11.9 \%)$ | $2: 1=3(1.4 \%)$ |
| Range = 5-70 | $3=24(11.0 \%)$ | $3-5: 1=46(21 \%)$ |
|  | $4=\mathbf{6 0}(\mathbf{2 7 . 4 \%})$ | $6-10: 1=27(12.3 \%)$ |
|  | $5=25(11.4 \%)$ | $\mathbf{1 1 + : 1}=\mathbf{1 3 5}(\mathbf{6 1 . 6 \%})$ |


|  | $1=204(6.1 \%)$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | $2=530(15.9 \%)$ | $1: 1=266(8 \%)$ |
| $M=33.13 ;$ Mode $=30 ;$ | $3=195(5.9 \%)$ | $2: 1=56(1.7 \%)$ |
| Range $=1-213$ | $4=549(16.5 \%)$ | $3-5: 1=818(24.5 \%)$ |
|  | $\mathbf{5}=\mathbf{1 8 3 0}(\mathbf{5 4 . 9 \%})$ | $6-10: 1=892(26.8 \%)$ |
|  | $7=24(0.7 \%)$ | $\mathbf{1 1 + : 1 = 1 3 0 0 ( 3 9 \% )}$ |

Math in Tier 1 more minutes/session, but fewer sessions/week

## Interventions Logged, Tier 2

Minutes/Session Days/Week
Ratio: Student/Adult

| 2 | Math | $\begin{aligned} & 1372 \\ & (6 \%) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & M=34.68 ; \\ & \text { Mode }=30 ; \\ & \text { Range }=5-65 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1=0 \\ & 2=116(8.5 \%) \\ & 3=124(9 \%) \\ & 4=742(54.1 \%) \\ & 5=390(28.4 \%) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1: 1=8(0.6 \%) \\ & 2: 1=1(0.1 \%) \\ & 3-5: 1=156(11.4 \%) \\ & \mathbf{6 - 1 0 : 1}=758(\mathbf{5 5 . 2 \%}) \\ & 11+: 1=449(32.7 \%) \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Reading | $\begin{aligned} & 12,095 \\ & (54 \%) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & M=30.42 ; \\ & \text { Mode }=30 ; \\ & \text { Range }=\mathbf{1 - 1 2 0} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1=305(2.5 \%) \\ & 2=300(2.5 \%) \\ & 3=1388(11.5 \%) \\ & 4=1550(12.8 \%) \\ & 5=8482(70.1 \%) \\ & 6=70(0.6 \%) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1: 1=537(4.4 \%) \\ & 2: 1=123(1 \%) \\ & \mathbf{3 - 5 : 1 = 5 8 7 2 ( 4 8 . 5 \% )} \\ & 6-10: 1=3480(28.8 \%) \\ & 11+: 1=2083(17.2 \%) \end{aligned}$ |

Math substantially less time than Reading ~ 30/min less/week, group size double

## Interventions Logged, Tier 3

Table 2
Combined Results, Representing 15 Districts and 22,220 Interventions Logged

## Days/Week

Ratio: Student/Adult

| Tier | Subject Area | \# (and \%) of Interventions | Mean, Mode, \& Range in Duration in Minutes per session | Days per Week | Teacher : Student Ratio |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3 | Math | $\begin{gathered} 470 \\ (2 \%) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & M=35.98 ; \\ & \text { Mode }=25 ; \\ & \text { Range }=10-60 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1=0 \\ & 2=50(10.6 \%) \\ & 3=102(21.7 \%) \\ & 4=\mathbf{1 8 4}(\mathbf{3 9 . 1 \% )} \\ & 5=134(28.5 \%) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1: 1=15(3.2 \%) \\ & 2: 1=21(4.5 \%) \\ & 3-5: 1=192(40.9 \%) \\ & 6-10: 1=125(26.6 \%) \\ & 11+: 1=117(24.9 \%) \end{aligned}$ |
| 3 | Reading | $\begin{aligned} & 4732 \\ & (21 \%) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & M=30.46 ; \\ & \text { Mode }=30 ; \\ & \text { Range }=1-150 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1=61(6.4 \%) \\ & 2=152(3.2 \%) \\ & 3=467(9.9 \%) \\ & \mathbf{4}=\mathbf{1 9 4 6}(\mathbf{4 1 . 1 \%}) \\ & \mathbf{5}=\mathbf{2 1 0 6}(\mathbf{4 4 . 5 \%}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1: 1=303(6.4 \%) \\ & 2: 1=277(5.9 \%) \\ & 3-5: 1=2505(52.9 \%) \\ & 6-10: 1=921(19.5 \%) \\ & 11+: 1=726(15.3 \%) \end{aligned}$ |

Tier 3 more similar (Rdg \& Math) than Tiers 1 or 2

## Strategies Logged for Mathematics

Table 18
Strategies Logged for Different Tiers of Student Groupings in Mathematics

| Strategy | Tier |  |  |  | \% of Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1-3 |  |
| Use visual representations, models, manipulatives | 48 | 889 | 374 | 1311 | 16\% |
| Drill and practice to build fluency | 78 | 817 | 350 | 1245 | 15\% |
| Guided practice | 108 | 743 | 409 | 1260 | 15\% |
| Explicit demonstration/modeling | 69 | 716 | 374 | 1159 | 14\% |
| Corrective feedback on performance | 14 | 723 | 346 | 1083 | 13\% |
| Frequent cumulative review | 65 | 378 | 216 | 659 | 8\% |
| Verbalization of thought processes | 34 | 291 | 286 | 611 | 7\% |
| Teach student to identify and use organizational structures | 31 | 310 | 169 | 510 | 6\% |
| Scaffold practice with visual prompts | 1 | 136 | 111 | 248 | 3\% |
| Reciprocal teaching | 4 | 3 | 60 | 67 | 1\% |
| Token reinforcements | 1 | 80 | 31 | 112 | 1\% |
| Direct instruction | 0 | 45 | 0 | 45 | 1\% |
| Peer tutoring | 6 | 13 | 42 | 61 | 1\% |
| Individualized computer-based practice | 13 | 9 | 5 | 27 | $<1 \%$ |
| Choral response | 0 | 0 | 27 | 27 | <1\% |

## Strategies Logged for Reading

Table 19
Strategies Logged for Different Tiers of Student Groupings in Reading

| Strategy | Tier |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\%$ |  |  |  |  |
| Drill and practice to build fluency | 1 | 2 | 3 | $1-3$ |  |
| Guided practice | 1411 | 4072 | 2225 | 7708 | $11 \%$ |
| Explicit demonstration/modeling | 1038 | 4327 | 2336 | 7701 | $11 \%$ |
| Corrective feedback on performance | 555 | 4321 | 1974 | 6850 | $10 \%$ |
| Phonemic Awareness skills | 831 | 3719 | 2022 | 6572 | $9 \%$ |
| Vocabulary enhancement | 647 | 1493 | 406 | 2646 | $4 \%$ |
| Frequent cumulative review | 969 | 854 | 778 | 2601 | $4 \%$ |
| Letter sounds | 216 | 1785 | 920 | 2921 | $4 \%$ |
| Ask who, what, when, where, why questions as the student is reading | 632 | 1128 | 396 | 2156 | $3 \%$ |
| Sight words | 739 | 605 | 646 | 1990 | $3 \%$ |
| Differentiated instruction | 720 | 902 | 706 | 2328 | $3 \%$ |
| Direct instruction | 191 | 618 | 1383 | 2192 | $3 \%$ |
| Use visual representations/models/manipulatives | 71 | 1846 | 0 | 1917 | $3 \%$ |
| Verbalization of thought processes/strategies | 215 | 822 | 1050 | 2087 | $3 \%$ |
| Alphabet recognition | 345 | 335 | 1136 | 1816 | $3 \%$ |
| Building Background knowledge | 396 | 841 | 337 | 1574 | $2 \%$ |
| Comprehension questions | 482 | 484 | 483 | 1449 | $2 \%$ |
| Reciprocal teaching | 511 | 479 | 305 | 1295 | $2 \%$ |
| Scaffold practice with visual prompts | 183 | 1109 | 1424 | 1716 | $2 \%$ |
| Teach students to identify and use organizational structures | 68 | 387 | 746 | 1201 | $2 \%$ |

## Strategies Logged for Reading

Table 19
Strategies Logged for Different Tiers of Student Groupings in Reading (Continued)

| Strategy | Tier |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \% \text { of } \\ & \text { Total } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1-3 |  |
| Comprehension questions | 511 | 479 | 305 | 1295 | 2\% |
| Breaking words down into smaller units | 311 | 677 | 526 | 1514 | 2\% |
| Technology | 211 | 177 | 273 | 661 | 1\% |
| Word wall | 534 | 338 | 102 | 974 | 1\% |
| Fluency | 178 | 188 | 265 | 631 | 1\% |
| Listen to the text | 299 | 165 | 226 | 690 | 1\% |
| Lexicon reading vocabulary | 536 | 170 | 132 | 838 | 1\% |
| Use spelling to teach rules of reading | 196 | 547 | 182 | 925 | 1\% |
| Peer tutoring | 273 | 279 | 319 | 871 | 1\% |
| Structures of English language | 83 | 162 | 267 | 512 | 1\% |
| Decoding strategies | 24 | 79 | 499 | 602 | 1\% |
| Token reinforcements | 34 | 167 | 472 | 673 | 1\% |
| Chunking words/Blending CVC words | 0 | 308 | 60 | 368 | 1\% |
| Payne Phonics | 0 | 125 | 120 | 245 | $<1 \%$ |
| Graphic organizers | 0 | 0 | 148 | 148 | <1\% |
| Review/reteach | 10 | 9 | 97 | 116 | $<1 \%$ |
| Word attack | 0 | 0 | 91 | 91 | $<1 \%$ |
| ELD teacher (pull out instruction) | 4 | 38 | 46 | 88 | <1\% |
| Repeated readings | 0 | 0 | 55 | 55 | $<1 \%$ |
| Readers' theater | 0 | 0 | 49 | 49 | $<1 \%$ |
| Choral response | 8 | 0 | 16 | 24 | $<1 \%$ |

