



Public Schools of North Carolina

Standardized Assessment Report

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Statewide Administration of the Testing Program (2020–21)

- Annual report of the tests administered statewide
- Includes data collected from districts on locally administered tests



Statewide Administration of the Testing Program

- The type of test and the test subject
- The number of tests administered by grade*
- Whether the test is online or paper-and-pencil
- The months local testing windows begin and the length of the testing windows*
- The time allotted to administer each test
- Whether the test is multiple-choice or performance based
- The date the test results are provided to teachers and parents
- The purpose of the test and the use of results
- Test developers and the source of funds supporting local testing

**Subject to change due to COVID's impact on school schedules*



Statewide Administration of the Testing Program

- In each even-numbered year, each local board of education shall review all local standardized tests
 - Number of tests and number of hours
 - If the above exceed the state average for the previous two years, the local board shall submit a plan to reduce local testing to the Department of Public Instruction and the State Board of Education
 - If the State Board finds the local board has made significant progress toward reducing local testing, the requirement for a plan may be waived

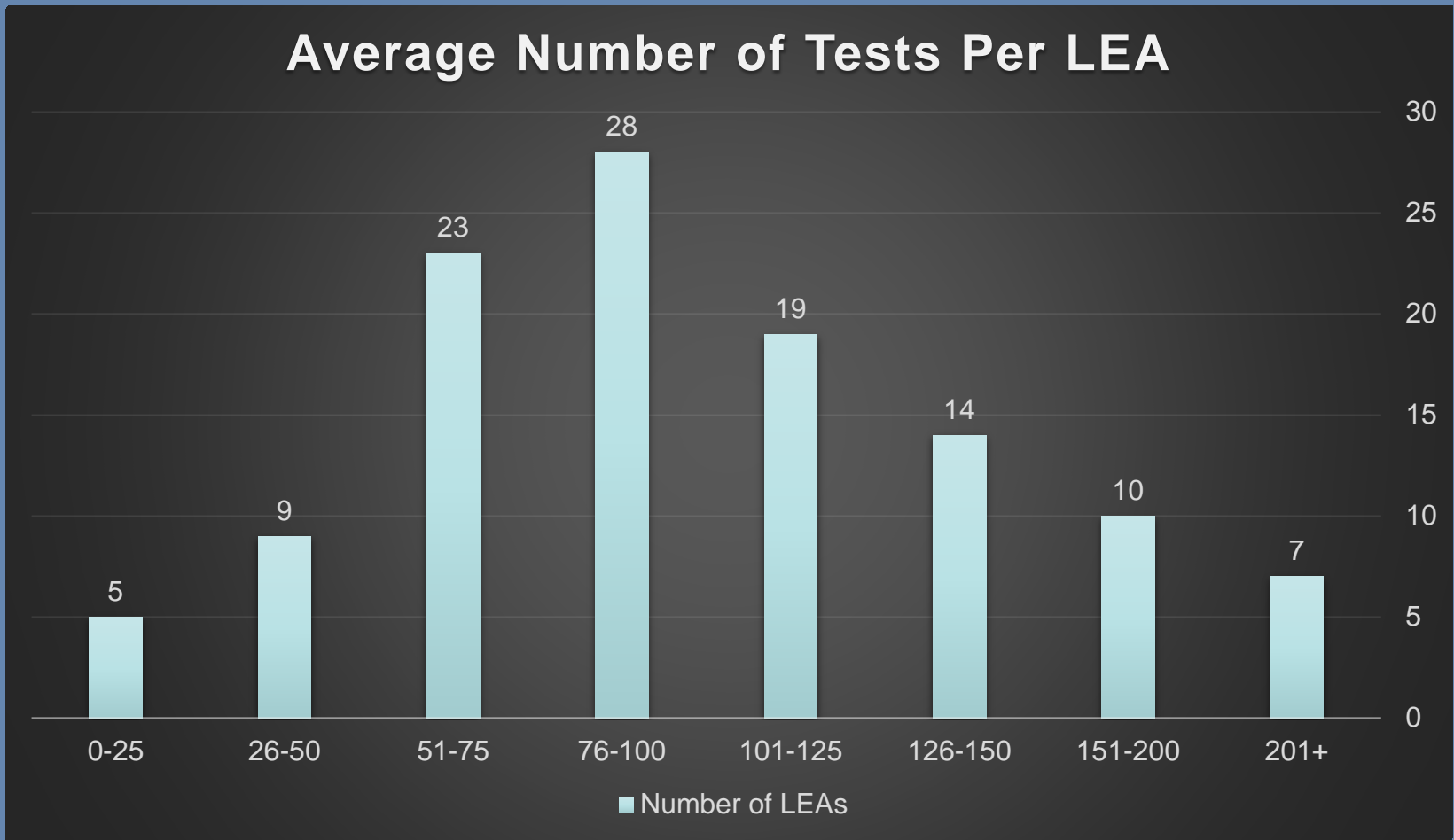


Local Testing Report Two-Year Summary Findings

- *State Average of Local Tests Administered*
 - For the 2018–19 and 2019–20 school years, the local testing report survey results indicated an average of 111.7 tests administered across the state.
 - Out of the 115 LEAs surveyed, thirty-nine were identified as being over the state average, which is 34% of LEAs. Across the state, the averages varied with the lowest average being 1 and the highest average being 813 tests administered at the local level.



Average Number of Tests

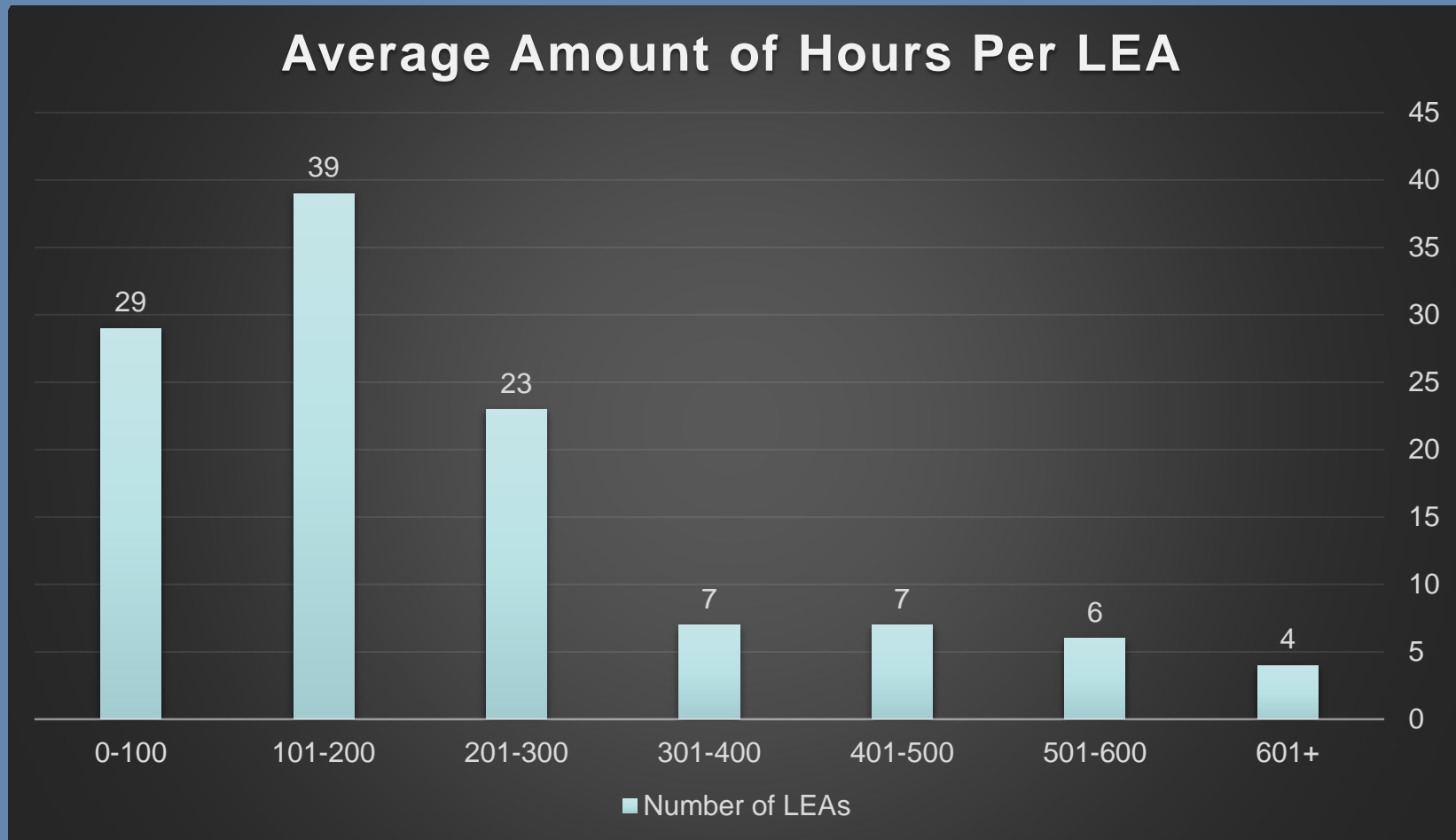


Local Testing Report Two-Year Summary Findings

- *State Average of Time Administering Local Tests*
 - For the 2018–19 and 2019–20 school years, the local testing report survey results indicated an average of 232.0 hours spent testing across the state.
 - Out of the 115 LEAs surveyed, thirty-nine were identified as being over the state average, which is 34% of LEAs. Across the state, the averages varied with the lowest average being 1.8 hours and the highest average being 1,777.6 hours spent testing at the local level.



Average Amount of Hours



Local Testing Report Plans Summary

- A review of the two-year local testing report plans indicates most LEAs are eliminating local tests that are deemed redundant.
- The plans submitted to the NCDPI outlined how streamlining available tests and resources will assist in decreasing the number of tests administered, subsequently reducing the amount of time spent testing.



Questions

