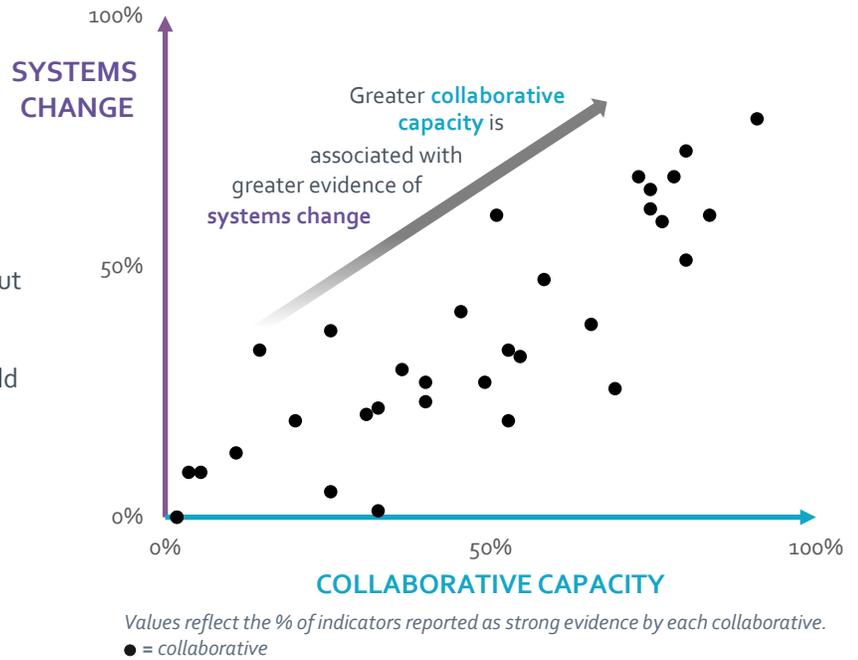


ORGANIZING FOR SYSTEMS CHANGE

The 2021 evaluation examined two dimensions of communities in the OYF network:

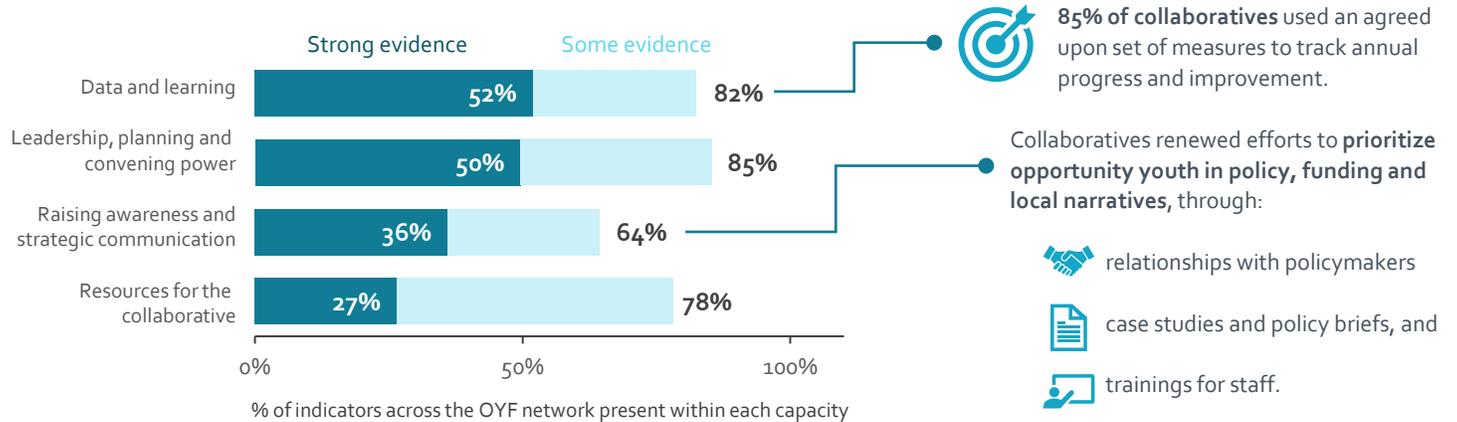
- 1) Collaborative capacity:** the infrastructure and processes necessary for the collaborative to carry out its opportunity youth agenda
- 2) Systems changes:** “shifts to the conditions that hold a problem in place”—in this case, disconnected pathways and inequitable conditions that prevent young people from achieving education and employment outcomes

*FSG, *Water of Systems Change*: https://www.fsg.org/publications/water_of_systems_change



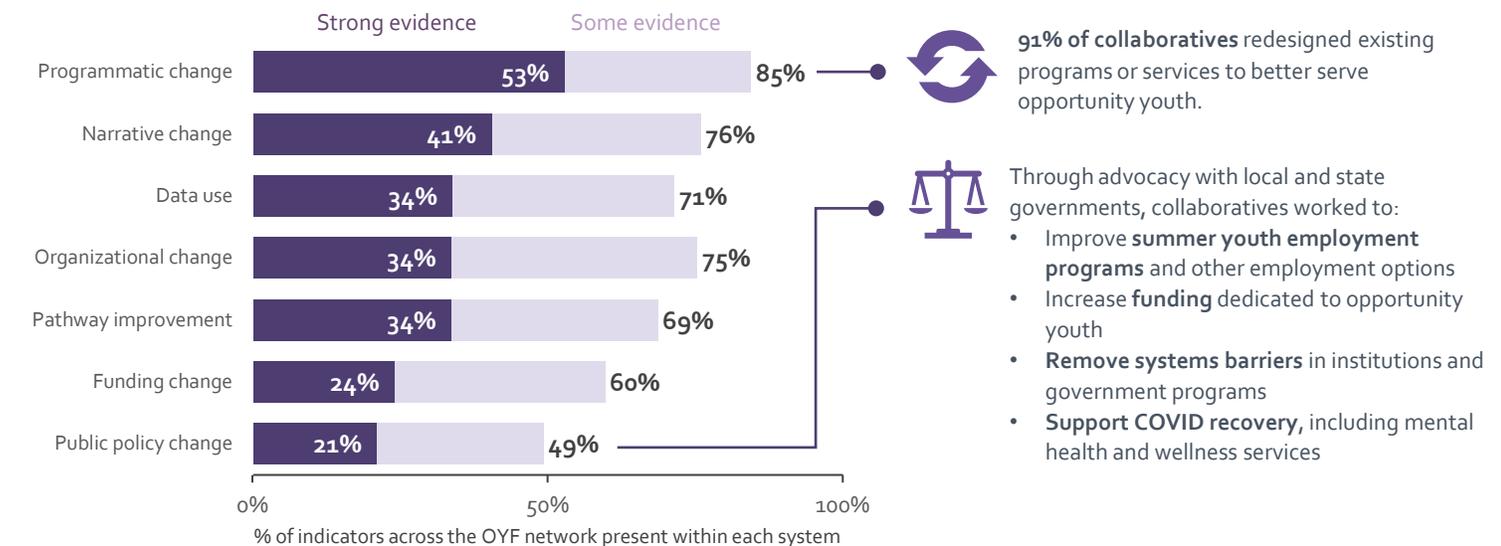
COLLABORATIVE CAPACITY

Data and learning became the highest scoring capacity in 2021, reflecting the time and energy put into building data capacity across the network.



SYSTEMS CHANGES

Programmatic changes on behalf of opportunity youth remained most evident, with increased focus on policy and funding changes, when comparing 2020 and 2021.



Methods. Findings come from the 2021 OYF Self-Assessment. Thirty-three collaboratives answered questions about their collaborative capacity and systems changes. The Assessment included indicators grouped into four types of capacities and seven types of systems changes, assessed on a four-point scale.

For more information about the OYF network: <https://www.aspencommunitysolutions.org/opportunity-youth-forum/>