



Indiana Department of Education

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To: Indiana State Board of Education
From: Dr. Nancy Holsapple, Director of Special Education
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Subject: Special Education Child Count

Indiana Code 20-43-4-4 provides that the State Board shall monitor changes that occur in the number of students enrolled in programs for students with disabilities.

This memo provides the count of students by primary disability. The first table lists the unduplicated special education Adjusted Pupil Count (APC) taken from special education data collections reported on December 1, 2023. The second table lists the Preschool Count taken from the data collections reported on December 1, 2023. Both tables provide comparisons to the totals between this year's counts and the counts taken on December 1, 2022.

ADJUSTED PUPIL COUNT COMPARISONS (DECEMBER 1, 2022 AND DECEMBER 1, 2023)			
SOURCE: DOE-SE/SV & ESA PROGRAM ROSTER			
AGES 5B-22			
UNDULICATED STATE TOTALS BY DISABILITY			
Primary Exceptionality Category	12-1-22 Count	12-1-23 Count	Increase/Decrease
Multiple Disability	1,804	1,787	-17
Orthopedic Impairment	1,154	1,137	-17
Blind or Low Vision	935	910	-25
Deaf or Hard of Hearing	2,272	2,285	13
Emotional Disability – Full Time	6,005	6,139	134
Emotional Disability – All Other	5,318	5,171	-147
Specific Learning Disability	52,969	53,512	543
Developmental Delay (Ages 5B-8)	10,617	11,612	995
Language/Speech Impairment	33,841	34,363	522
Mild Intellectual Disability	8,966	9,120	154
Moderate Intellectual Disability	3,049	3,026	-23
Severe Intellectual Disability	244	219	-25
Deaf-Blind	36	37	1
Autism Spectrum Disorder	17,956	19,335	1,379
Traumatic Brain Injury	392	377	-15
Other Health Impairment	29,647	31,285	1,638
Total Unduplicated Count	175,205	180,315	5,110 (+2.92%)

PRESCHOOL CHILD COUNT COMPARISONS (DECEMBER 1, 2021 AND DECEMBER 1, 2022)**SOURCE: DOE-SE****AGES 3-5A****UNDUPLICATED TOTALS BY DISABILITY**

Primary Exceptionality Category	12-1-22 Count	12-1-23 Count	Increase/Decrease
Multiple Disability	71	75	4
Orthopedic Impairment	111	116	5
Blind or Low Vision	67	60	-7
Deaf or Hard of Hearing	189	227	38
Emotional Disability – Full Time	4	0	-4
Emotional Disability – All Other	2	1	-1
Specific Learning Disability	2	3	1
Developmental Delay	5,872	6,327	455
Language/Speech Impairment	6,178	6,308	130
Mild Intellectual Disability	16	19	3
Moderate Intellectual Disability	14	11	-3
Severe Intellectual Disability	2	0	-2
Deaf-Blind	2	1	-1
Autism Spectrum Disorder	861	1,091	230
Traumatic Brain Injury	14	15	1
Other Health Impairment	277	300	23
Total Preschool Count	13,682	14,554	872 (+6.37%)