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Summary Statistics**

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Executive Summary 2010

The Delaware Department of Education report on secondary schools dropouts is from data collected annually. Delaware collects data from all public schools including grades 7 through 12, but calculates the yearly dropout rate from grades 9 through 12, as is prescribed by the National Center for Educational Statistics (NCES) which provides data to the Federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) reporting system. Information is gathered from families that home school their children as well as from private schools. The data from private and home schools are only used to verify the transfers from public to private and home schools. This report does not contain data reflecting private, parochial or home schooled students in Delaware.

Delaware complies with the National Center for Educational Statistics requirements for reporting and uses the Event Rate method for our reporting. Event Rate reporting is a snapshot which reflects the total number of students (grades 9-12) who dropped out of school in a single year divided by the fall enrollment of the same year.

For the 2009-2010 school year, 1,513 of the 39,091 students enrolled in grades 9-12 dropped out of school. **The 2009-2010 dropout rate was 3.9% percent** (a decrease compared with the previous year's rate of 5.1 percent).

Table 12 shows a three-year average rate which has been calculated in addition to annual district data. We continue to show trend data so that they may be viewed to provide better insight into long term planning for improved student outcomes.

The Delaware Department of Education (DDOE) continues to support school district efforts to lower their numbers of students exiting school prematurely. As schools and districts provide the DDOE with their plans for improved student outcomes, DDOE staff provides guidance and support to explore alternative avenues to dropping out. State leaders from education, government, business, industry and community based programs meet annually with local, regional and national experts to evaluate data and provide support for necessary program changes.

Definition of Dropout: A 2009-2010 dropout is an individual who **either**:

1. Was enrolled at the **end** of the **previous** school year and was expected to be enrolled in the **current** school year but did not attend any days of the **current** school year **and does not meet any of the following exclusionary conditions**:
 - Graduated from high school or completed a state or district-approved educational program; or
 - Transferred to another public school district, private school, or state- or district-approved education program with official documentation on file;
 - Moved out of state with official documentation on file; or
 - Died.

OR

2. Was enrolled and attended at the beginning of the **current** school year and was withdrawn by parent, legal guardian or Relative Caregiver at age 16 or older, or was withdrawn by self after 18th birthday.

Criteria for being identified as a dropout in the current school year dropout report:

1. A student who completed the **previous** school year and who did **not** reach his or her 16th birthday by the beginning of the **current** school and did not attend any days of the **current** school year is considered “dropout underage” from the receiving school. This student should be coded in eSchoolPLUS as **Dropout-Underage**. This underage dropout should have a withdrawal date that is the same as the entry date (i.e., first day of school of the reporting year).
2. A student who completed the **previous** school year and who did reach his or her 16th birthday by the beginning of the **current** school and did not attend any days of the **current** school year is considered “dropout-truancy” from the receiving school. This student should be coded in eSchoolPLUS as **Dropout-Truancy**. This dropout should have a withdrawal date that is the same as the entry date (i.e., first day of school of the reporting year).
3. If a student has moved and there is no official documentation that he or she has transferred to another school, he or she is counted as a dropout and code in eSchoolPLUS as **Dropout-Underage** or **Dropout-Truancy** depending on age.
4. A student who transfers to James H. Groves Adult High School during the current school year and is not in attendance (enrolled) by **September 30** of the next school year, is counted as **Dropout-Academic** from the home school.
5. A student who transfers to James H. Groves Adult Basic Education (ABE) programs during the current school year is counted as **Dropout-Academic** from the home school.
6. An expelled student is counted as a dropout if he or she does not return at the end of the disciplinary period. This student should be coded in eSchoolPLUS as **Dropout-Behavior**.
7. A school leaver who has joined the military is counted as a dropout. This student should be coded in eSchoolPLUS as **Dropout-Military**.
8. A school leaver who has joined Job Corps is counted as a dropout. This student should be coded in eSchoolPLUS as **Dropout-Employment**.
9. A student withdrawn because of truancy is counted as a dropout. This student shall be coded in eSchoolPLUS as **Dropout-Underage** or **Dropout- Truancy** depending on age. (A student with an **active** truancy case with the Justice of the Peace Court shall not be withdrawn from eSchoolPLUS.)

Criteria for not being counted as a dropout:

1. A student who receives a diploma or in the case of a special education student a district or charter school issued “Certificate” should not be reported as a dropout.

2. A student who transfers to another public or private school should not be reported as a dropout. Documentation of transfer needs to be preserved.
3. A student who moves out of state should not be reported as a dropout. Documentation of the move needs to be preserved.
4. A students who dies should not be reported as a dropout.
5. A school leaver who is in a correctional institution or other state agency placement should not be counted as a dropout.
6. A student who leaves the United States is not considered to be a dropout even if the school district cannot document the student’s subsequent enrollment in school.

Dropout Reason Codes

The following dropout reason codes have been incorporated into Exit/Withdrawal codes for eSchoolPLUS:

Dropout-Academic	Dropout-Transportation
Dropout-Behavior	Dropout-Language
Dropout-Dislike experience	Dropout-Marriage
Dropout-Economic	Dropout-Military
Dropout-Employment	Dropout-Needed at home
Dropout-Curriculum	Dropout-Pregnancy
Dropout-Childcare	Dropout-Religion
Dropout-Truancy	Dropout- Underage

A student can be withdrawn/exited from eSchoolPLUS with the appropriate code provided there is documentation to support the withdrawal and selected code.

Any student withdrawn because of truancy will be considered a dropout and the school shall code the student in eSchoolPLUS as **Dropout-Underage** or **Dropout-Truancy** depending on age.

Table 1
Delaware Dropouts 2009-2010
Summary Statistics
Grades 9-12
(N = 1513)

	Annual Dropout Rate (%)	Percent of All Dropouts (%)
TOTAL	3.9	100
SEX		
Male	4.4	57.6
Female	3.3	42.4
RACE / ETHNICITY		
American Indian	8.7	0.9
African American	5.0	41.6
Asian	3.2	2.8
Hispanic	4.7	10.6
White	3.1	44.1
AGE		
Less than 15	0.6	0.6
Age 15	0.5	2.6
Age 16	2.6	16.9
Age 17 and over	6.2	79.8

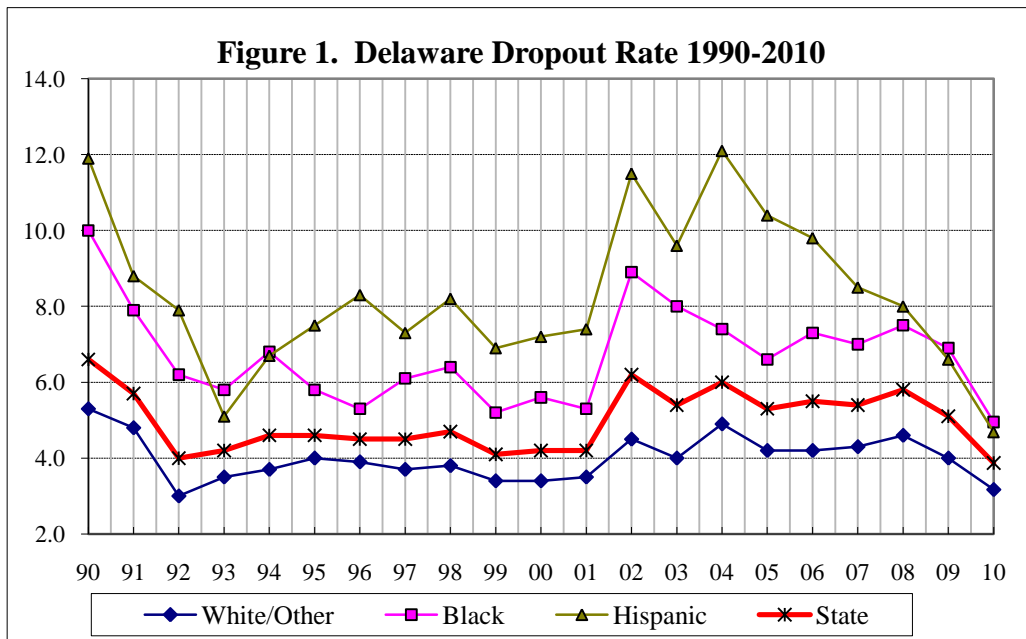


Table 2
Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2009-2010
Grade by Race

Grade	<u>Number of Enrolled Students</u>				<u>Number of Dropouts</u>			
	Black	Hispanic	White/Other	All	Black	Hispanic	White/Other	All
9	4,154	1209	6,363	11,726	234	74	238	546
10	3,385	922	6,014	10,321	163	37	184	384
11	2,710	705	5,312	8,727	114	30	154	298
12	2,477	599	5,241	8,317	119	20	146	285
Total	12,726	3,435	22,930	39,091	630	161	722	1,513

Table 3
Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2009-2010
Grade by Race

Grade	<u>Annual Dropout Rate</u>				<u>Percent of All Dropouts</u>			
	Black	Hispanic	White/Other	All	Black	Hispanic	White/Other	All
Grade 9	5.6%	6.1%	3.7%	4.7%	15.5%	4.9%	15.7%	36.1%
Grade 10	4.8%	4.0%	3.1%	3.7%	10.8%	2.4%	12.2%	25.4%
Grade 11	4.2%	4.3%	2.9%	3.4%	7.5%	2.0%	10.2%	19.7%
Grade 12	4.8%	3.3%	2.8%	3.4%	7.9%	1.3%	9.6%	18.8%
Total	5.0%	4.7%	3.1%	3.9%	41.6%	10.6%	47.7%	100.0%

Figure 2. Percent of Dropouts by Race/Ethnicity, 2009-2010

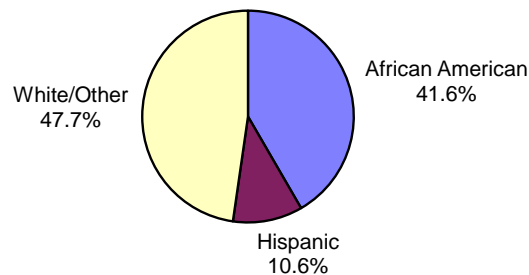


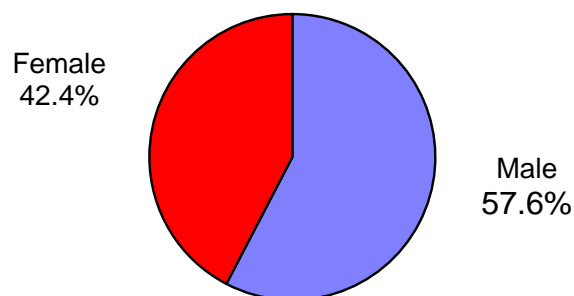
Table 4
Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2009-2010
Gender by Race (Grades 9-12)

Gender	<u>Number of Enrolled Students</u>				<u>Number of Dropouts</u>			
	Black	Hispanic	White/Other	All	Black	Hispanic	White/Other	All
Male	6,384	1,716	11,716	19,816	381	87	404	872
Female	6,342	1,719	11,214	19,275	249	74	318	641
Total	12,726	3,435	22,930	39,091	630	161	722	1,513

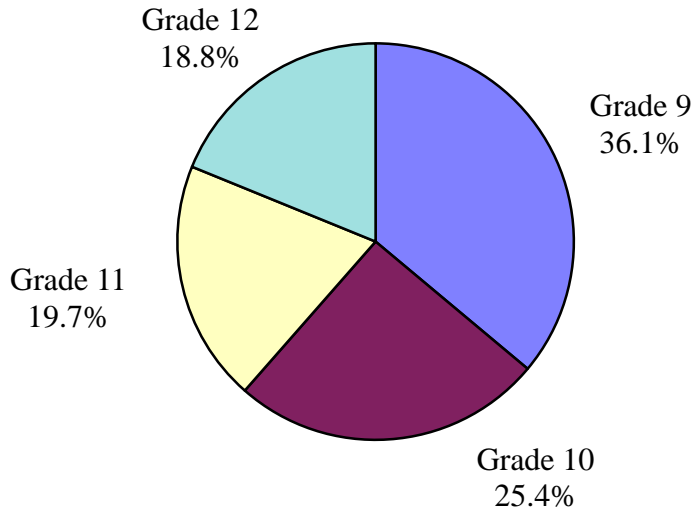
Table 5
Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2009-2010
Gender by Race (Grades 9-12)

Gender	<u>Annual Dropout Rate</u>				<u>Percent of All Dropouts</u>			
	Black	Hispanic	White/Other	All	Black	Hispanic	White/Other	All
Male	6.0%	5.1%	3.4%	4.4%	25.2%	5.8%	26.7%	57.6%
Female	3.9%	4.3%	2.8%	3.3%	16.5%	4.9%	21.0%	42.4%
Total	5.0%	4.7%	3.1%	3.9%	41.6%	10.6%	47.7%	100.0%

Figure 3. Percent of Dropouts by Gender, 2009-2010



**Figure 4. Percent of All Dropouts by Grade
2009-2010**



**Figure 5. Dropout Rate by Gender by Race
2009-2010**

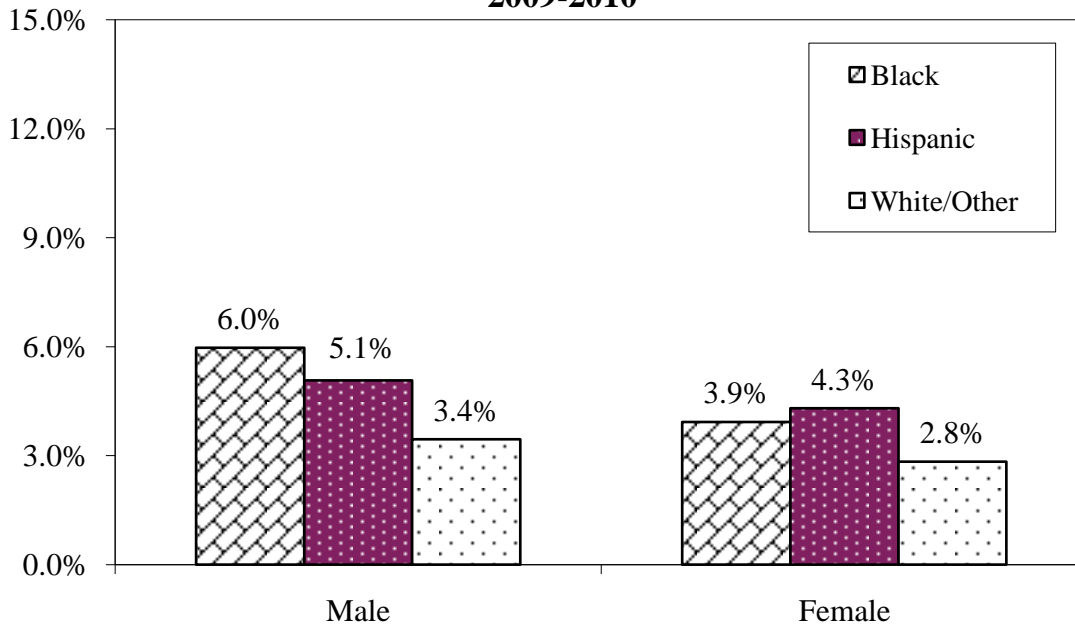


Table 6
Reasons for Dropping Out 2009-2010
Grades 9-12

	Number	Percent
School-Related Academic, Behavior, Dislike experience, Curriculum, Substance Abuse	218	14.4%
Economic-Related Economic and Employment	101	6.7%
Personal Pregnancy, Marriage, Child care, Language, Religion Needed at home, Military, Transportation	27	1.8%
School/District Did Not Report Data	1,167	77.1%
Total	1,513	100%

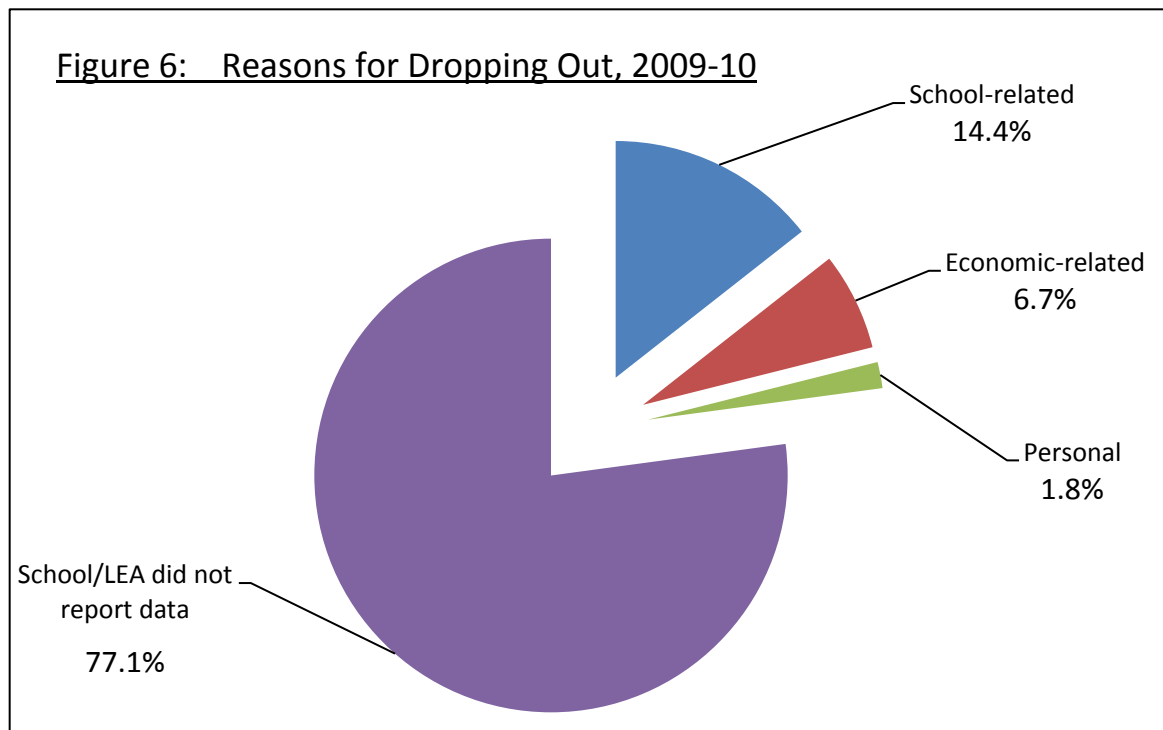


Table 7
Delaware Dropouts, 2009-2010
Grades 7-8

	Grade 7			Grade 8		
	No. of Dropouts	Students Enrolled	Rate	No. of Dropouts	Students Enrolled	Rate
Kent	28	2,266	1.2%	50	2,266	2.2%
New Castle	71	5,383	1.3%	202	5,391	3.7%
Sussex	28	1,811	1.5%	46	1,862	2.5%
State	127	9,460	1.3%	298	9,519	3.1%

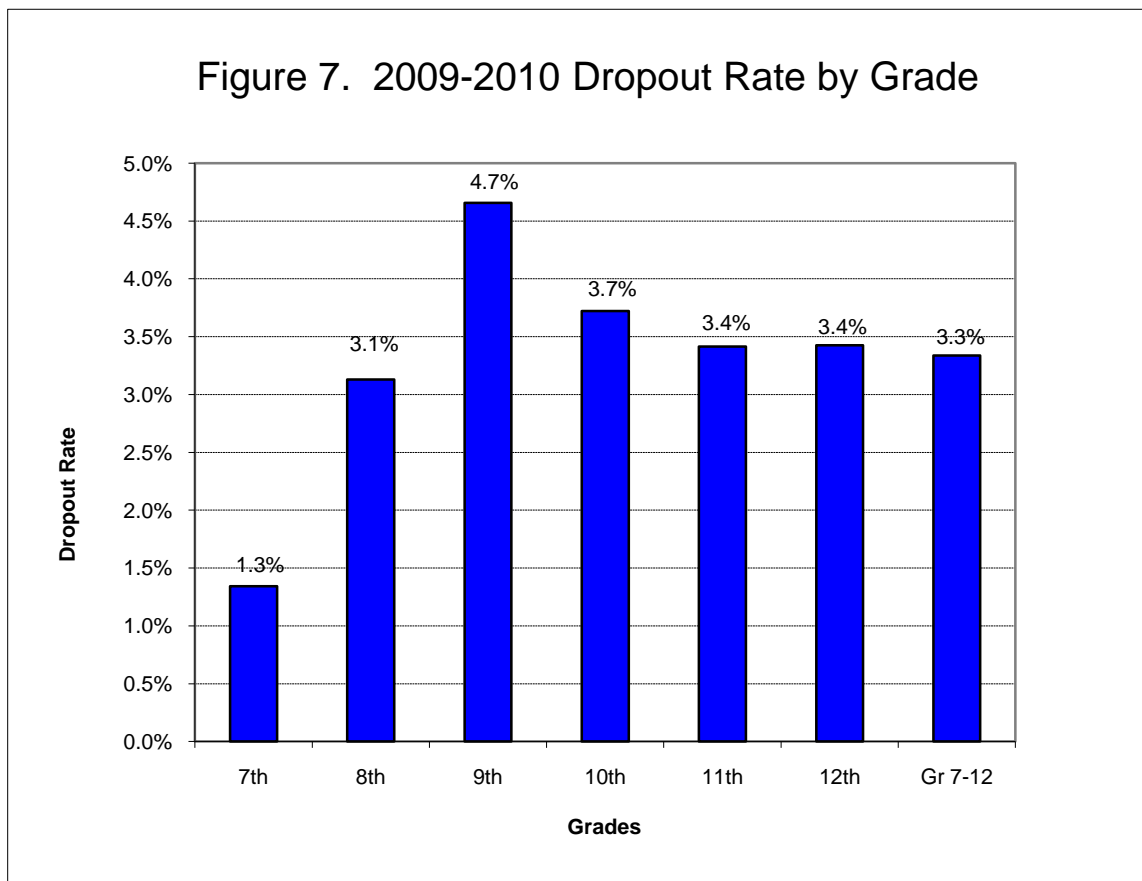


Table 8

**Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2009-2010
County by Race (Grades 9-12)**

County	<u>Number of Enrolled Students</u>				<u>Number of Dropouts</u>			
	Black	Hispanic	White/Other	All	Black	Hispanic	White/Other	All
Kent	2,738	484	5,486	8,708	152	25	174	351
New Castle	8,294	2,319	12,244	22,857	389	111	352	852
Sussex	1,694	632	5,200	7,526	89	25	196	310
State	12,726	3,435	22,930	39,091	630	161	722	1,513

Table 9

**Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2009-2010
County by Race (Grades 9-12)**

County	<u>Annual Dropout Rate</u>				<u>Percent of All Dropouts</u>			
	Black	Hispanic	White/Other	All	Black	Hispanic	White/Other	All
Kent	5.6%	5.2%	3.2%	4.0%	10.0%	1.7%	11.5%	23.2%
New Castle	4.7%	4.8%	2.9%	3.7%	25.7%	7.3%	23.3%	56.3%
Sussex	5.3%	4.0%	3.8%	4.1%	5.9%	1.7%	13.0%	20.5%
State	5.0%	4.7%	3.1%	3.9%	41.6%	10.6%	47.7%	100.0%

Figure 8. Percent of All Dropouts by County, 2009-2010

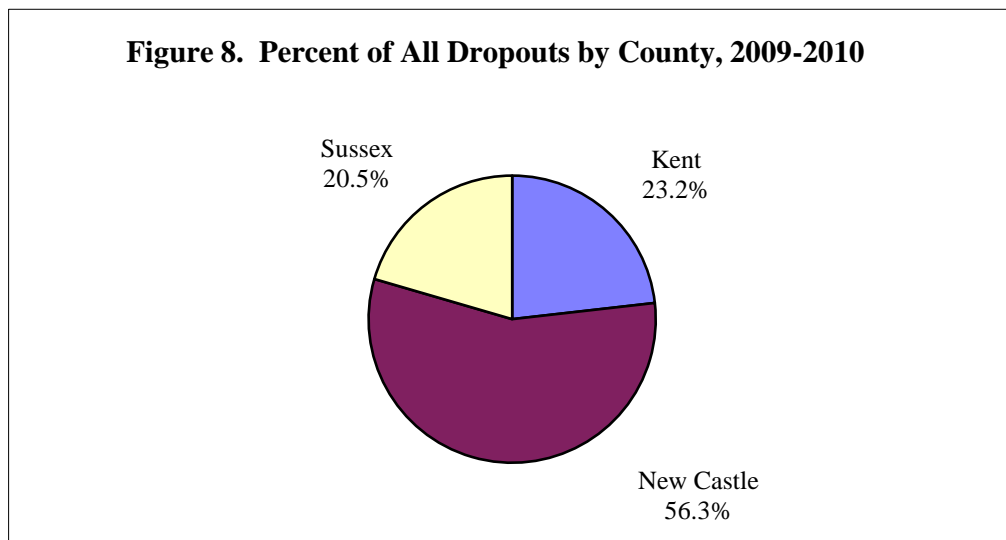


Table 10
Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2009-2010
County by Grade

County	Number of Enrolled Students					Number of Dropouts				
	9	10	11	12	All	9	10	11	12	All
Kent	2,766	2,212	1,946	1,784	8,708	143	79	83	46	351
New Castle	6,765	6,053	5,154	4,885	22,857	287	221	164	180	852
Sussex	2,195	2,056	1,627	1,648	7,526	116	84	51	59	310
State	11,726	10,321	8,727	8,317	39,091	546	384	298	285	1,513

Table 11
Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2009-2010
County by Grade

County	Annual Dropout rate					Percent of All Dropouts				
	9	10	11	12	All	9	10	11	12	All
Kent	5.2%	3.6%	4.3%	2.6%	4.0%	9.5%	5.2%	5.5%	3.0%	23.2%
New Castle	4.2%	3.7%	3.2%	3.7%	3.7%	19.0%	14.6%	10.8%	11.9%	56.3%
Sussex	5.3%	4.1%	3.1%	3.6%	4.1%	7.7%	5.6%	3.4%	3.9%	20.5%
State	4.7%	3.7%	3.4%	3.4%	3.9%	36.1%	25.4%	19.7%	18.8%	100%

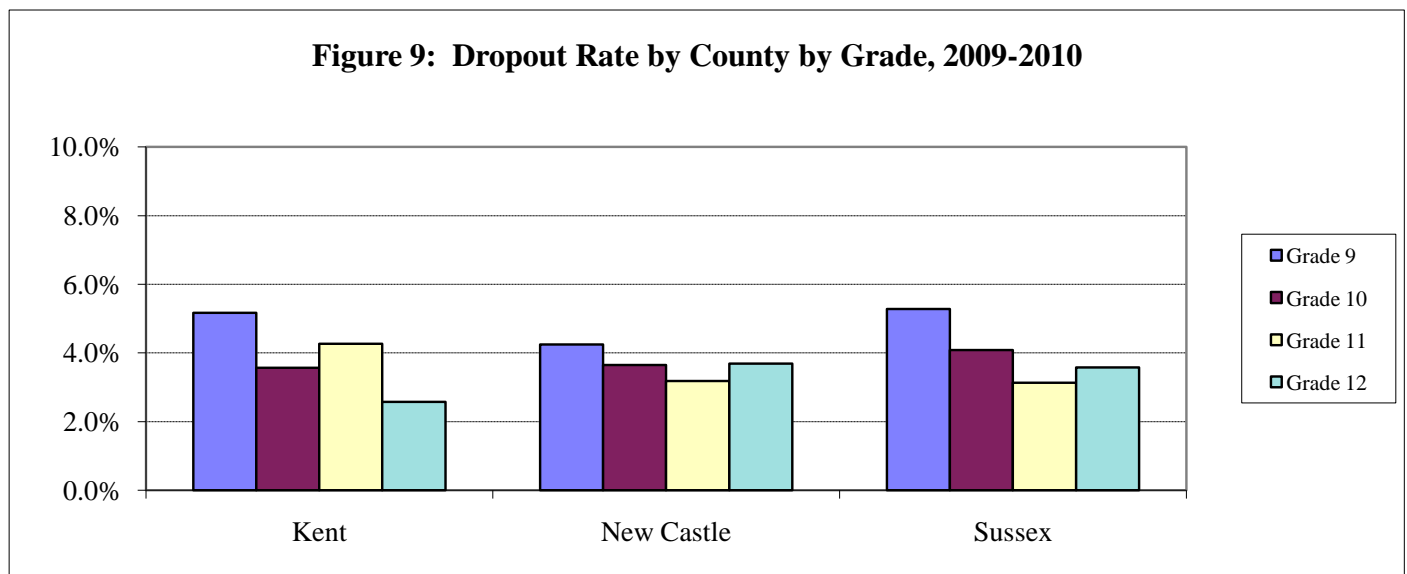


Table 12

**ANNUAL DROPOUT RATES BY DISTRICT, 2007-2008 to 2009-2010
Grades 9-12**

CODE	DISTRICT/CHARTER	2007-2008			2008-2009			2009-2010			2008-2010
		TOTAL ENROLLMENT	TOTAL DROPOUTS	DROPOUT RATE	TOTAL ENROLLMENT	TOTAL DROPOUTS	DROPOUT RATE	TOTAL ENROLLMENT	TOTAL DROPOUTS	DROPOUT RATE	3-Year Average Dropout Rate
New Castle County		22,307	1,384	6.2	22,697	1,299	5.7	22,857	852	3.7	5.2
29	Appoquinimink	2,243	101	4.5	2,404	60	2.5	2,505	102	4.1	3.7
31	Brandywine	3,307	153	4.6	3,333	193	5.8	3,249	83	2.6	4.3
70	Charter School of Wilmington	957	0	0.0	960	0	0.0	987	9	0.9	0.3
33	Christina	4,427	470	10.6	4,287	441	10.3	4,186	233	5.6	8.8
34	Colonial	2,364	200	8.5	2,317	146	6.3	2,114	109	5.2	6.6
79	Delaware Military Academy	520	13	2.5	526	13	2.5	540	7	1.3	2.1
75	M.J. Moyer Academy	97	19	19.6	134	11	8.2	224	17	7.6	11.8
38	NCC Voc Tech	4,105	165	4.0	4,379	216	4.9	4,635	111	2.4	3.8
83	Pencader Charter School	435	14	3.2	575	20	3.5	619	23	3.7	3.5
32	Red Clay	3,852	249	6.5	3,782	199	5.3	3,798	158	4.2	5.3
Kent County		8,456	469	5.5	8,591	395	4.6	8,708	351	4.0	4.7
10	Caesar Rodney	2,084	95	4.6	2,118	91	4.3	2,119	90	4.2	4.4
74	Campus Community	206	12	5.8	216	8	3.7	232	7	3.0	4.2
13	Capital	1,592	127	8.0	1,584	127	8.0	1,579	104	6.6	7.5
15	Lake Forest	948	66	7.0	928	48	5.2	909	43	4.7	5.6
18	Milford	1,156	74	6.4	1,178	59	5.0	1,217	64	5.3	5.6
39	Polytech	1,147	23	2.0	1,164	8	0.7	1,177	3	0.3	1.0
71	Positive Outcomes	75	9	12.0	82	6	7.3	85	3	3.5	7.6
24	Smyrna	1,248	63	5.0	1,321	48	3.6	1,390	37	2.7	3.8
Sussex County		7,187	354	4.9	7,331	294	4.0	7,526	310	4.1	4.4
17	Cape Henlopen	1,267	77	6.1	1,285	43	3.3	1,318	52	3.9	4.5
37	Delmar	606	17	2.8	654	18	2.8	643	29	4.5	3.4
36	Indian River	2,234	106	4.7	2,291	83	3.6	2,340	82	3.5	4.0
16	Laurel	542	38	7.0	546	41	7.5	554	34	6.1	6.9
23	Seaford	786	67	8.5	759	61	8.0	849	63	7.4	8.0
40	Sussex Tech	1,248	18	1.4	1,245	16	1.3	1,283	14	1.1	1.3
35	Woodbridge	504	31	6.2	551	32	5.8	539	36	6.7	6.2
STATE		37,950	2,207	5.8	38,619	1,988	5.1	39,091	1,513	3.9	4.9

Note: Special Schools and ILCs are included in district dropout summary statistics.

3-Year Dropout Rates are calculated for schools with 3 years of data and three-year enrollment totaling at least 150 students.

Table 13. Grades 9-12 Annual Dropout Rates by School, 2006-2007 Through 2009-2010

CODE	HIGH SCHOOLS	2006-2007			2007-2008			2008-2009			2009-2010		
		TOTAL ENROLLMENT	TOTAL DROPOUTS	DROPOUT RATE	TOTAL ENROLLMENT	TOTAL DROPOUTS	DROPOUT RATE	TOTAL ENROLLMENT	TOTAL DROPOUTS	DROPOUT RATE	TOTAL ENROLLMENT	TOTAL DROPOUTS	DROPOUT RATE
New Castle County		21,626	1,075	5.0	21,569	1,166	5.4	21,866	1,006	4.6	21,869	699	3.2
18	Middletown HS	2,107	76	3.6	1,640	98	6.0	1,716	58	3.4	1,430	84	5.9
24	Appoquinimink HS				552	3	0.5	633	2	0.3	1,003	18	1.8
26	Howard Tech HS	863	9	1.0	863	19	2.2	869	17	2.0	862	13	1.5
44	St Georges Tech HS	257	1	0.4	517	1	0.2	754	3	0.4	1,002	3	0.3
66	Paul M. Hodgson	1,147	2	0.2	1,190	5	0.4	1,230	5	0.4	1,262	8	0.6
80	Delcastle Tech HS	1,525	10	0.7	1,500	12	0.8	1,495	14	0.9	1,483	17	1.1
190	Brandywine HS	1,238	52	4.2	1,168	62	5.3	1,157	78	6.7	1,131	34	3.0
194	Concord HS	1,154	44	3.8	1,180	43	3.6	1,268	60	4.7	1,282	16	1.2
196	Mt Pleasant HS	959	36	3.8	959	48	5.0	908	55	6.1	836	33	3.9
286	Calloway Arts Sch	414	1	0.2	412	3	0.7	414	0	0.0	425	3	0.7
290	John Dickinson HS	912	88	9.6	847	89	10.5	755	83	11.0	661	49	7.4
292	A. I. duPont HS	1,361	26	1.9	1,451	35	2.4	1,456	32	2.2	1,480	48	3.2
294	Thomas McKean HS	1,044	90	8.6	954	107	11.2	934	70	7.5	881	39	4.4
295	Charter Sch of Wilm	949	5	0.5	957	0	0.0	960	0	0.0	987	9	0.9
390	Christiana HS	1,434	181	12.6	1,287	131	10.2	1,179	121	10.3	1,098	76	6.9
392	Glasgow HS	1,355	136	10.0	1,193	135	11.3	1,081	100	9.3	1,107	45	4.1
394	Newark HS	1,663	124	7.5	1,565	140	8.9	1,578	123	7.8	1,512	53	3.5
490	William Penn HS	2,330	169	7.3	2,282	189	8.3	2,244	141	6.3	2,044	104	5.1
574	M.J. Moyer Academy	70	6	8.6	97	19	19.6	134	11	8.2	224	17	7.6
578	Delaware Mil. Acad.	518	12	2.3	520	13	2.5	526	13	2.5	540	7	1.3
582	Pencader Charter HS	326	7	2.1	435	14	3.2	575	20	3.5	619	23	3.7
Kent County		8,085	382	4.7	8,206	459	5.6	8,318	376	4.5	8,406	328	3.9
570	Positive Outcomes	82	10	12.2	75	9	12.0	82	6	7.3	85	3	3.5
573	Campus Community	183	13	7.1	206	12	5.8	216	8	3.7	232	7	3.0
626	Caesar Rodney HS	1,921	137	7.1	1,986	94	4.7	2,007	89	4.4	2,009	88	4.4
648	Dover HS	1,547	60	3.9	1,476	120	8.1	1,469	110	7.5	1,449	85	5.9
652	Polytech HS	1,162	4	0.3	1,147	23	2.0	1,164	8	0.7	1,177	3	0.3
665	Lake Forest HS	934	57	6.1	936	64	6.8	919	48	5.2	892	41	4.6
678	Milford SR HS	1,101	40	3.6	1,140	74	6.5	1,156	59	5.1	1,190	64	5.4
688	Smyrna HS	1,155	61	5.3	1,240	63	5.1	1,305	48	3.7	1,372	37	2.7
Sussex County		6,718	329	4.9	6,968	341	4.9	7,092	282	4.0	7,238	296	4.1
726	Cape Henlopen HS	1,134	36	3.2	1,198	75	6.3	1,223	39	3.2	1,222	50	4.1
730	Delmar Sr HS	563	24	4.3	592	17	2.9	640	18	2.8	633	29	4.6
746	Indian River HS	801	27	3.4	861	33	3.8	894	38	4.3	911	31	3.4
748	Sussex Central Sr HS	1,249	59	4.7	1,260	64	5.1	1,289	39	3.0	1,316	42	3.2
756	Laurel Sr HS	515	46	8.9	524	36	6.9	538	39	7.2	531	31	5.8
766	Seaford Sr HS	770	76	9.9	786	67	8.5	714	61	8.5	803	63	7.8
770	Sussex Tech HS	1,227	15	1.2	1,248	18	1.4	1,245	16	1.3	1,283	14	1.1
780	Woodbridge HS	459	46	10.0	499	31	6.2	549	32	5.8	539	36	6.7

Note: Special Schools and ILCs are not included in this table. All schools include grades 9 to 12.

Figure 10. Dropout Rate by District, 2009-2010

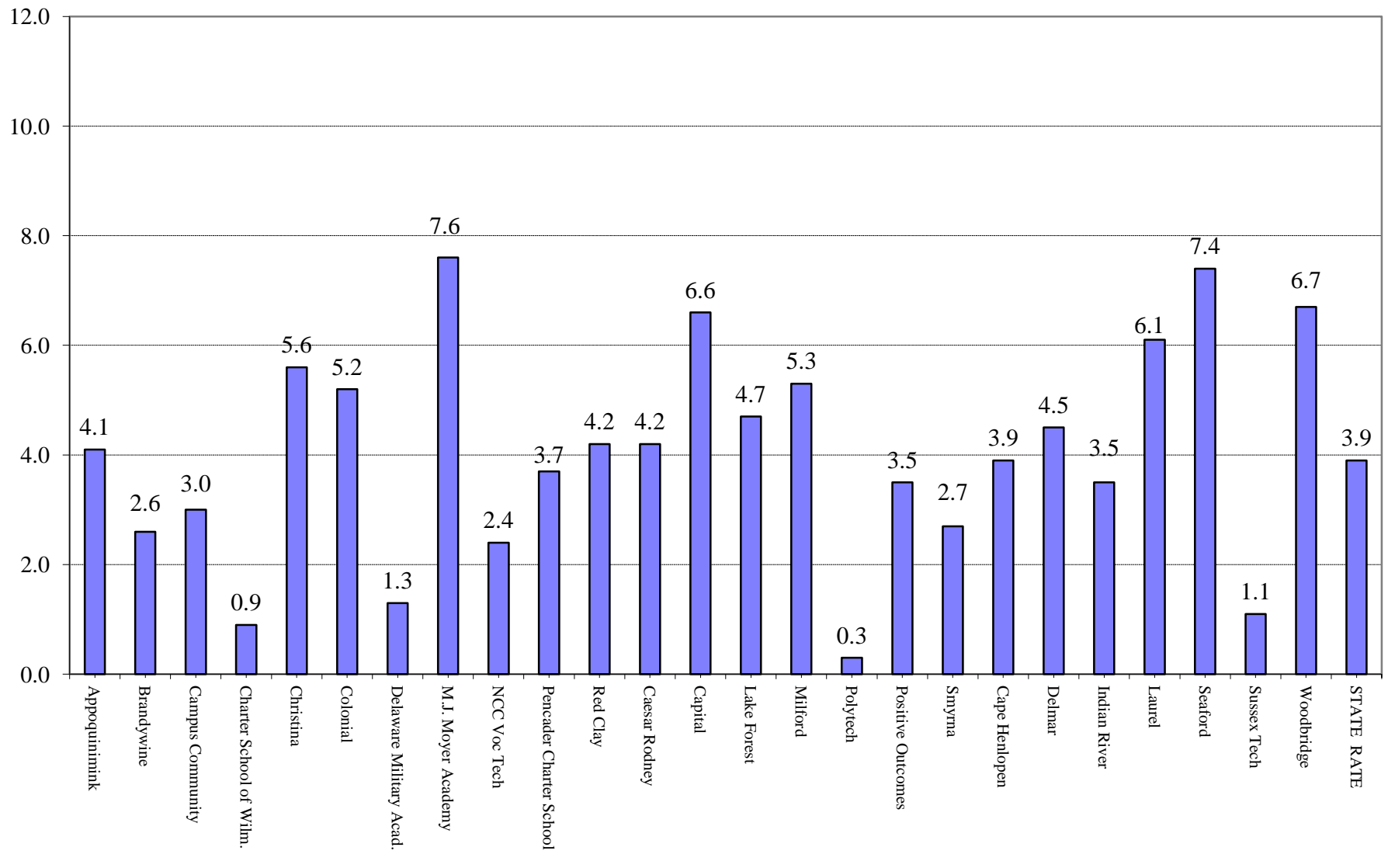


Table 14

**Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2009-2010
County by Special-Ed (Grades 9-12)**

County	<u>Number of Enrolled Students</u>			<u>Number of Dropouts</u>		
	Special-Ed	Regular-Ed	All	Special-Ed	Regular-Ed	All
Kent	1,488	7,220	8,708	89	262	351
New Castle	2,869	19,988	22,857	136	716	852
Sussex	1,102	6,424	7,526	50	260	310
Total	5,459	33,632	39,091	275	1,238	1,513

Table 15

**Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2009-2010
County by Special-Ed (Grades 9-12)**

County	<u>Annual Dropout rate</u>			<u>Percent of All Dropouts</u>		
	Special-Ed	Regular-Ed	All	Special-Ed	Regular-Ed	All
New Castle	6.0%	3.6%	4.0%	5.9%	17.3%	23.2%
Kent	4.7%	3.6%	3.7%	9.0%	47.3%	56.3%
Sussex	4.5%	4.0%	4.1%	3.3%	17.2%	20.5%
Total	5.0%	3.7%	3.9%	18.2%	81.8%	100.0%

Figure 12. 2009-2010 Enrollment and Dropout Percents by Special Ed Status

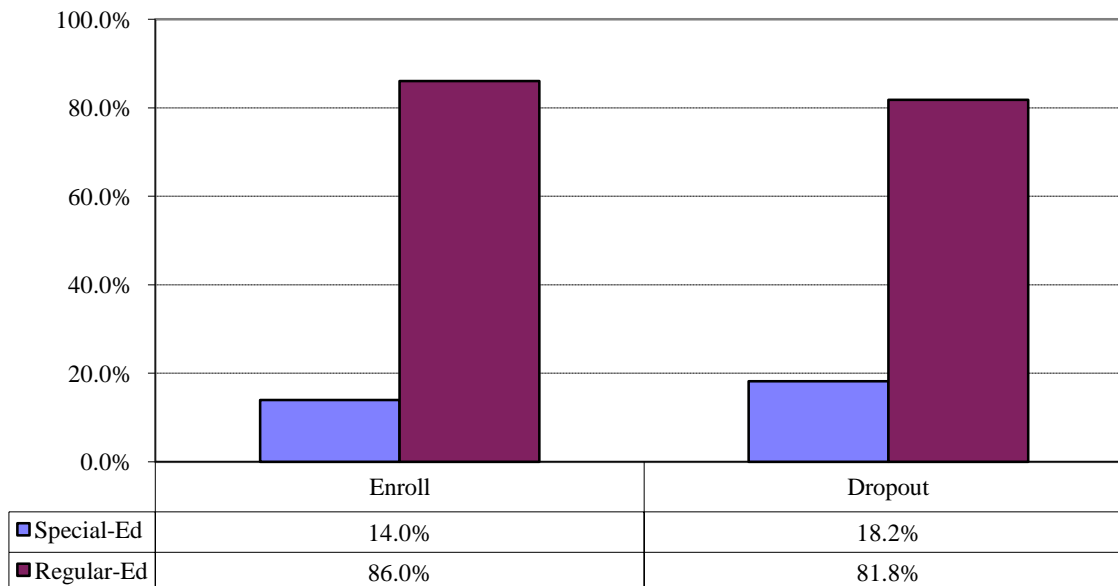


Table 16
Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2009-2010
Race by Special-Ed (Grades 9-12)

Group	<u>Number of Enrolled Students</u>				<u>Number of Dropouts</u>			
	Black	Hispanic	White/Other	All	Black	Hispanic	White/Other	All
Special-ED	2,294	473	2,692	5,459	125	23	127	275
Regular-ED	10,432	2,962	20,238	33,632	505	138	595	1,238
Total	12,726	3,435	22,930	39,091	630	161	722	1,513

Table 17
Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2009-2010
Race by Special-Ed (Grades 9-12)

Group	<u>Annual Dropout Rate</u>				<u>Percent of All Dropouts</u>			
	Black	Hispanic	White/Other	All	Black	Hispanic	White/Other	All
Special-ED	5.4%	4.9%	4.7%	5.0%	8.3%	1.5%	8.4%	18.2%
Regular-ED	4.8%	4.7%	2.9%	3.7%	33.4%	9.1%	39.3%	81.8%
Total	5.0%	4.7%	3.1%	3.9%	41.6%	10.6%	47.7%	100.0%

Table 18
Delaware Special Education Enrollments and Dropouts by Race, 2006-2010
Grades 9-12

Year		Black	Hispanic	White/Other	All
2006	Enrolled	2,152	271	2,532	4,955
	Dropouts	117	19	128	264
	Annual Dropout Rate	5.4%	7.0%	4.8%	5.0%
	Percent of All Dropouts	5.9%	1.0%	6.4%	13.0%
2007	Enrolled	2,223	356	2,668	5,247
	Dropouts	130	18	139	287
	Annual Dropout Rate	5.8%	5.1%	5.2%	5.5%
	Percent of All Dropouts	6.4%	0.9%	6.9%	14.2%
2008	Enrolled	1,990	350	2,476	4,816
	Dropouts	106	17	83	206
	Annual Dropout Rate	5.3%	4.9%	3.4%	4.3%
	Percent of All Dropouts	6.4%	0.8%	3.8%	9.3%
2009	Enrolled	2,000	406	2,423	4,829
	Dropouts	74	21	84	179
	Annual Dropout Rate	3.7%	5.2%	3.5%	3.7%
	Percent of All Dropouts	3.7%	1.1%	4.2%	9.0%
2010	Enrolled	2,294	473	2,692	5,459
	Dropouts	125	23	127	275
	Annual Dropout Rate	5.4%	4.9%	4.7%	5.0%
	Percent of All Dropouts	8.3%	1.5%	8.4%	18.2%

Table 19
Annual Delaware Dropout Rates, Grades 9-12
1979-1980 Through 2009-2010

Year	White/Other	Black	Hispanic	State
1979-80	7.0	12.1	14.6	7.9
1980-81	6.9	10.7	13.7	7.8
1981-82	8.1	10.8	22.0	8.1
1982- 83	6.2	9.2	15.5	6.9
1983-84	6.2	9.2	17.2	7.2
1984-85	7.3	8.7	12.3	7.6
1985-86	7.1	8.9	11.5	7.6
1986-87	6.2	9.5	14.1	7.2
1987-88	6.0	10.0	13.6	7.2
1988-89	6.1	10.2	14.2	7.3
1989-90	5.3	10.0	11.9	6.6
1990-91	4.8	7.9	8.8	5.7
1991-92	3.0	6.2	7.9	4.0
1992-93	3.5	5.8	5.1	4.2
1993-94	3.7	6.8	6.7	4.6
1994-95	4.0	5.8	7.5	4.6
1995-96	3.9	5.3	8.3	4.5
1996-97	3.7	6.1	7.3	4.5
1997-98	3.8	6.4	8.2	4.7
1998-99	3.4	5.2	6.9	4.1
1999-00	3.4	5.6	7.2	4.2
2000-01	3.5	5.3	7.4	4.2
2001-02	4.5	8.9	11.5	6.2
2002-03	4.0	8.0	9.6	5.4
2003-04	4.9	7.4	12.1	6.0
2004-05	4.2	6.6	10.4	5.3
2005-06	4.2	7.3	9.8	5.5
2006-07	4.3	7.0	8.5	5.4
2007-08	4.6	7.5	8.0	5.8
2008-09	4.0	6.9	6.6	5.1
2009-10	3.2	5.0	4.7	3.9

Table 20. Special Education Grade 9-12 Dropouts by School, 2006-2007 through 2009-2010

CODE	HIGH SCHOOLS	2007		2008		2009		2010		2008-2010
		SPECIAL ED	SPECIAL ED	SPECIAL ED	SPECIAL ED	SPECIAL ED	SPECIAL ED	SPECIAL ED	SPECIAL ED	3-Yr Average
		ENROLLMENT	DROPOUTS	ENROLLMENT	DROPOUTS	ENROLLMENT	DROPOUTS	ENROLLMENT	DROPOUTS	Dropout Rate*
Delaware Public Schools		5,172	288	4,755	206	4,768	176	4,720	176	3.9%
New Castle County		2,757	169	2,404	105	2,419	95	2,376	96	4.1%
18	Middletown HS	237	16	146	10	159	9	117	9	6.6%
24	Appoquinimink HS			52	0	46	1	78	1	1.1%
26	HowardTech HS	122	0	117	2	108	2	106	2	1.8%
44	St. Georges Tech HS	21	0	43	0	67	0	88	0	0.0%
66	Paul M. Hodgson	131	0	121	1	116	1	113	1	0.9%
80	Delcastle Tech HS	231	3	182	0	180	0	180	0	0.0%
190	Brandywine HS	133	8	124	8	112	6	106	6	5.8%
194	Concord HS	90	9	91	4	90	9	94	9	8.0%
196	Mt Pleasant HS	123	6	128	5	123	7	116	7	5.2%
286	Calloway Arts Sch	23	0	21	0	12	0	14	0	0.0%
290	John Dickinson HS	127	7	125	9	121	1	109	1	3.1%
292	A. I. duPont HS	120	3	129	5	106	3	129	3	3.0%
294	Thomas McKean HS	150	17	164	6	156	9	158	9	5.0%
354	Sarah Pyle Academy	18	9							
390	Christiana HS	186	14	101	4	123	7	107	7	5.4%
392	Glasgow HS	140	11	98	6	100	3	117	3	3.8%
394	Newark HS	233	12	116	11	137	7	131	7	6.5%
490	William Penn HS	323	23	311	15	326	14	298	14	4.6%
514	John G. Leach School	31	0	29	0	29	0	57	1	0.9%
522	New Castle/Colonial ILC	42	9	53	7	44	4	37	4	11.2%
527	Central School (PACE)	69	11	53	7	70	8	72	8	11.8%
530	First State School	5	0	10	0	11	0	6	0	0.0%
537	Douglass School	15	7	6	0	10	2	13	2	13.8%
538	Brenen School (The)	91	0	99	0	80	0	36	2	0.9%
540	Margaret S. Sterck	42	2	35	0	23	2			3.4%
574	Maurice Moyer Academy	14	0	16	2	33	0	57	0	1.9%
578	Delaware Mil. Acad.	20	0	17	2	15	0	11	0	4.7%
582	Pencader Charter	20	2	17	1	22	0	26	0	1.5%
Kent County		1,369	74	1,356	66	1,364	51	1,395	51	4.1%
570	Positive Outcomes	51	4	50	4	55	2	51	2	5.1%
573	Campus Community	21	1	27	2	33	0	35	0	2.1%
626	Caesar Rodney HS	261	20	274	13	261	9	295	9	3.7%
630	John S. Charlton School	90	2	90	1	92	1	94	1	1.1%
648	Dover HS	300	8	263	20	261	20	241	20	7.8%
650	Kent Co. Community School			17	0	21	0	33	0	0.0%
652	Polytech HS	116	1	118	1	118	0	111	0	0.3%
655	Kent Secondary ILC	50	9	54	3	56	6	62	6	8.7%
659	Lake Forest ILC			12	2	9	0	17	0	5.3%
665	Lake Forest HS	139	9	130	8	118	2	114	2	3.3%
678	Milford SR HS	160	9	142	7	149	6	146	6	4.3%
688	Smyrna HS	181	11	179	5	191	5	196	5	2.7%
Sussex County		1,046	45	995	35	985	30	949	29	3.2%
689	Allen (Richard) School	33	5							
726	Cape Henlopen HS	139	4	137	5	158	2	145	2	2.0%
728	Sussex Consortium	38	2	51	0	49	2	65	2	2.4%
730	Delmar Sr HS	79	2	76	2	70	3	55	3	4.0%
746	Indian River HS	102	2	108	2	112	7	105	7	4.9%
748	Sussex Central Sr HS	191	6	176	6	153	0	131	0	1.3%
750	Ennis (Howard T) School	53	0	56	0	53	0	50	0	0.0%
756	Laurel Sr HS	84	8	83	6	98	3	87	3	4.5%
765	Western Sussex Academy	10	4	9	2	8	0	10	0	7.4%
766	Seaford SR HS	106	4	101	3	73	5	94	5	4.9%
770	Sussex Tech HS	151	2	134	2	125	4	110	4	2.7%
780	Woodbridge HS	60	6	64	7	86	3	97	3	5.3%

* Dropout Rates are calculated for schools with 3 years of data, and three-year SPED enrollment of at least 50 students.

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