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Executive Summary

The Delaware Department of Education (DDOE) 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 transfer 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 NCES requirements for reporting and uses the Event Rate method for our reporting. Event Rate reporting is a snapshot that 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 2010–2011 school year, 1,442 of the 39,124 students enrolled in grades 9–12 dropped out of school. The **2010–2011 dropout rate was 3.7%**, which is a decrease compared to the previous year's rate of 3.9%).

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 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 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 educational program with 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 2010-11
Summary Statistics
Grades 9-12

(N =1442)

| | Annual Dropout Rate (%) | Percent of All Dropouts (%) |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| TOTAL | 3.7 | 100 |
| SEX | | |
| Male | 4.3 | 59.1 |
| Female | 3.1 | 40.9 |
| RACE/ ETHNICITY | | |
| American Indian | 4.4 | 0.5 |
| African American | 5.1 | 45.4 |
| Asian | 2.7 | 2.4 |
| Hispanic | 4.4 | 11.4 |
| White | 2.8 | 40.4 |
| AGE | | |
| Less than 15 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Age 15 | 0.5 | 2.6 |
| Age 16 | 1.7 | 11.2 |
| Age 17 and over | 6.3 | 86.0 |

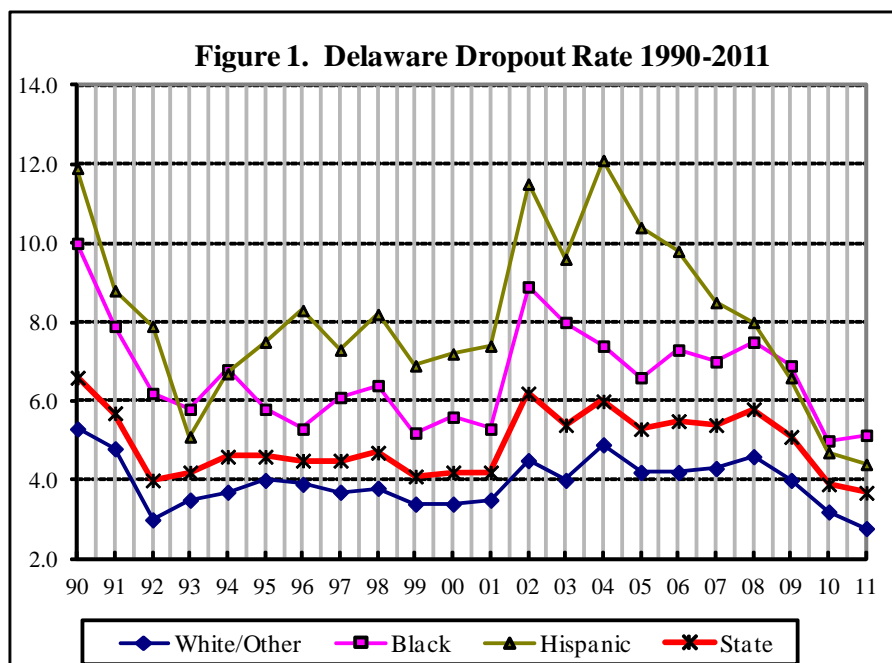


Table 2
Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2010-11
Grade by Race

| Grade | <u>Number of Enrolled Students</u> | | | | <u>Number of Dropouts</u> | | | |
|--------------|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------|--------------|
| | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All |
| 9 | 3,890 | 1,245 | 6,281 | 11,416 | 301 | 85 | 239 | 625 |
| 10 | 3,378 | 1,027 | 5,742 | 10,147 | 187 | 27 | 184 | 398 |
| 11 | 2,864 | 742 | 5,491 | 9,097 | 91 | 27 | 117 | 235 |
| 12 | 2,589 | 710 | 5,165 | 8,464 | 75 | 25 | 84 | 184 |
| Total | 12,721 | 3,724 | 22,679 | 39,124 | 654 | 164 | 624 | 1,442 |

Table 3
Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2010-11
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 | 7.7% | 6.8% | 3.8% | 5.5% | 20.9% | 5.9% | 16.6% | 43.3% |
| Grade 10 | 5.5% | 2.6% | 3.2% | 3.9% | 13.0% | 1.9% | 12.8% | 27.6% |
| Grade 11 | 3.2% | 3.6% | 2.1% | 2.6% | 6.3% | 1.9% | 8.1% | 16.3% |
| Grade 12 | 2.9% | 3.5% | 1.6% | 2.2% | 5.2% | 1.7% | 5.8% | 12.8% |
| Total | 5.1% | 4.4% | 2.8% | 3.7% | 45.4% | 11.4% | 43.3% | 100.0% |

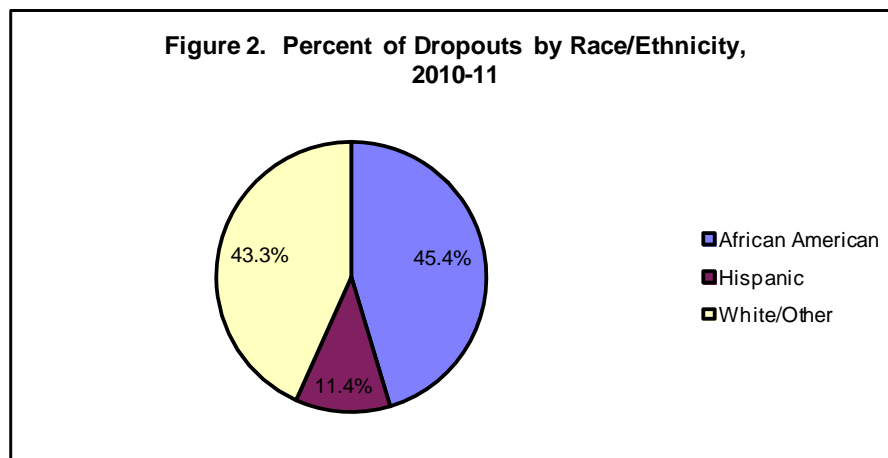
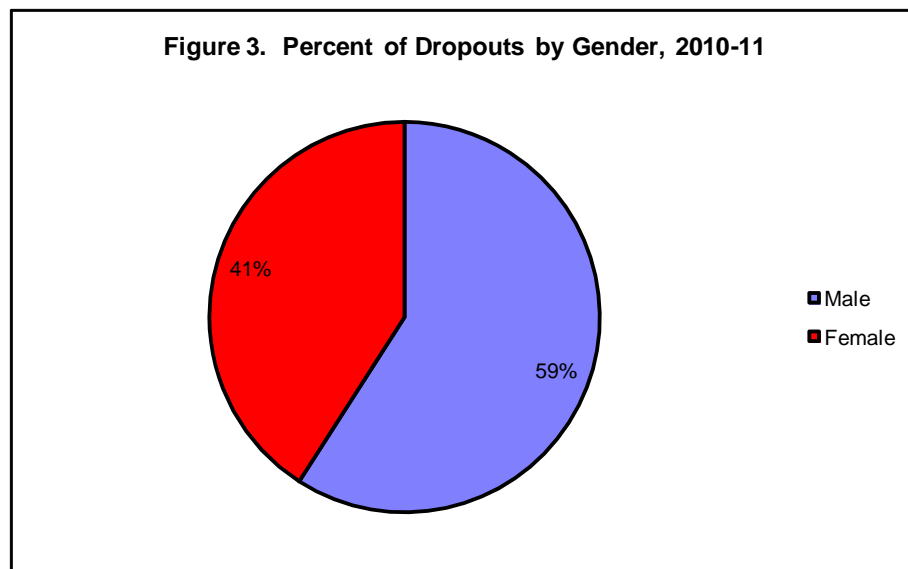


Table 4
Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2010-11
Gender by Race (Grades 9-12)

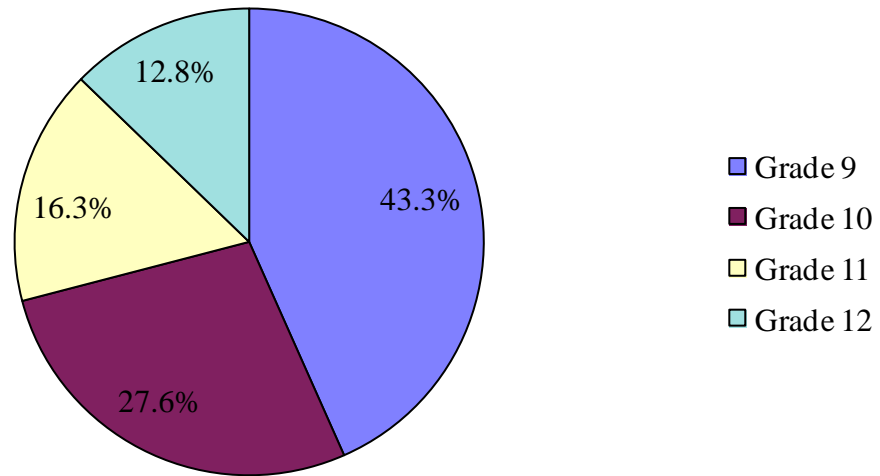
| Gender | <u>Number of Enrolled Students</u> | | | | <u>Number of Dropouts</u> | | | |
|--------------|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------|--------------|
| | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All |
| Male | 6,444 | 1,854 | 11,598 | 19,896 | 392 | 90 | 370 | 852 |
| Female | 6,277 | 1,870 | 11,081 | 19,228 | 262 | 74 | 254 | 590 |
| Total | 12,721 | 3,724 | 22,679 | 39,124 | 654 | 164 | 624 | 1,442 |

Table 5
Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2010-11
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 | 6.1% | 4.9% | 3.2% | 4.3% | 27.2% | 6.2% | 25.7% | 59.1% |
| Female | 4.2% | 4.0% | 2.3% | 3.1% | 18.2% | 5.1% | 17.6% | 40.9% |
| Total | 5.1% | 4.4% | 2.8% | 3.7% | 45.4% | 11.4% | 43.3% | 100.0% |



**Figure 4. Percent of All Dropouts by Grade
2010-11**



**Figure 5. Dropout Rate by Gender by Race
2010-11**

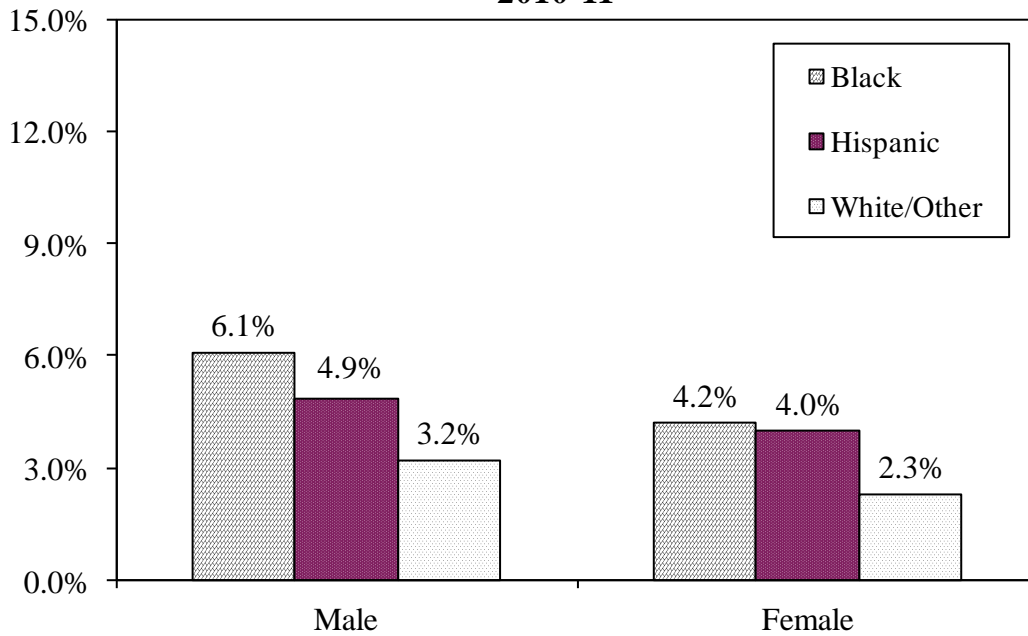


Table 6
Reasons for Dropping Out 2010-11
Grades 9-12

| | Number | Percent |
|--|---------------|----------------|
| School-Related Academic, Behavior, Dislike experience, Curriculum, Substance Abuse | 167 | 11.6% |
| Economic-Related Economic and Employment | 30 | 2.1% |
| Personal Pregnancy, Marriage, Child care, Language, Religion Needed at home, Military, Transportation | 14 | 1.0% |
| School/District Did Not Report Data | 1,231 | 85.4% |
| Total | 1,442 | 100% |

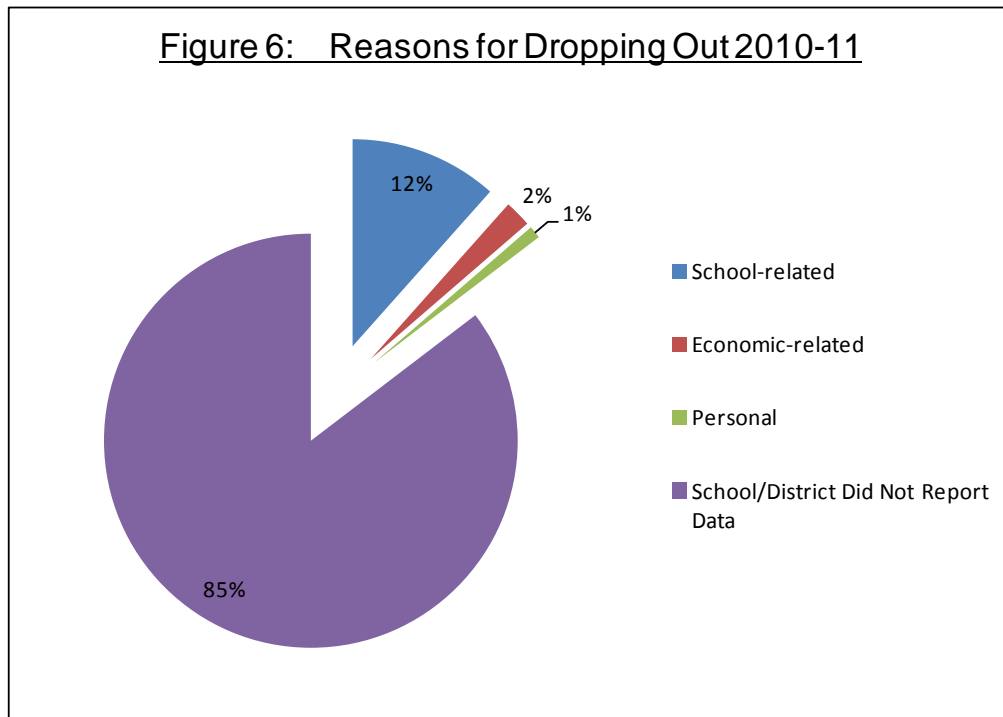


Table 7
Delaware Dropouts, 2010-11
Grades 7-8

| | Grade 7 | | | Grade 8 | | |
|--------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------|
| | No. of Dropouts | Students Enrolled | Rate | No. of Dropouts | Students Enrolled | Rate |
| Kent | 58 | 2,319 | 2.5% | 78 | 2,281 | 3.4% |
| New Castle | 157 | 5,628 | 2.8% | 284 | 5,404 | 5.3% |
| Sussex | 34 | 1,771 | 1.9% | 48 | 1,819 | 2.6% |
| State | 249 | 9,718 | 2.6% | 410 | 9,504 | 4.3% |

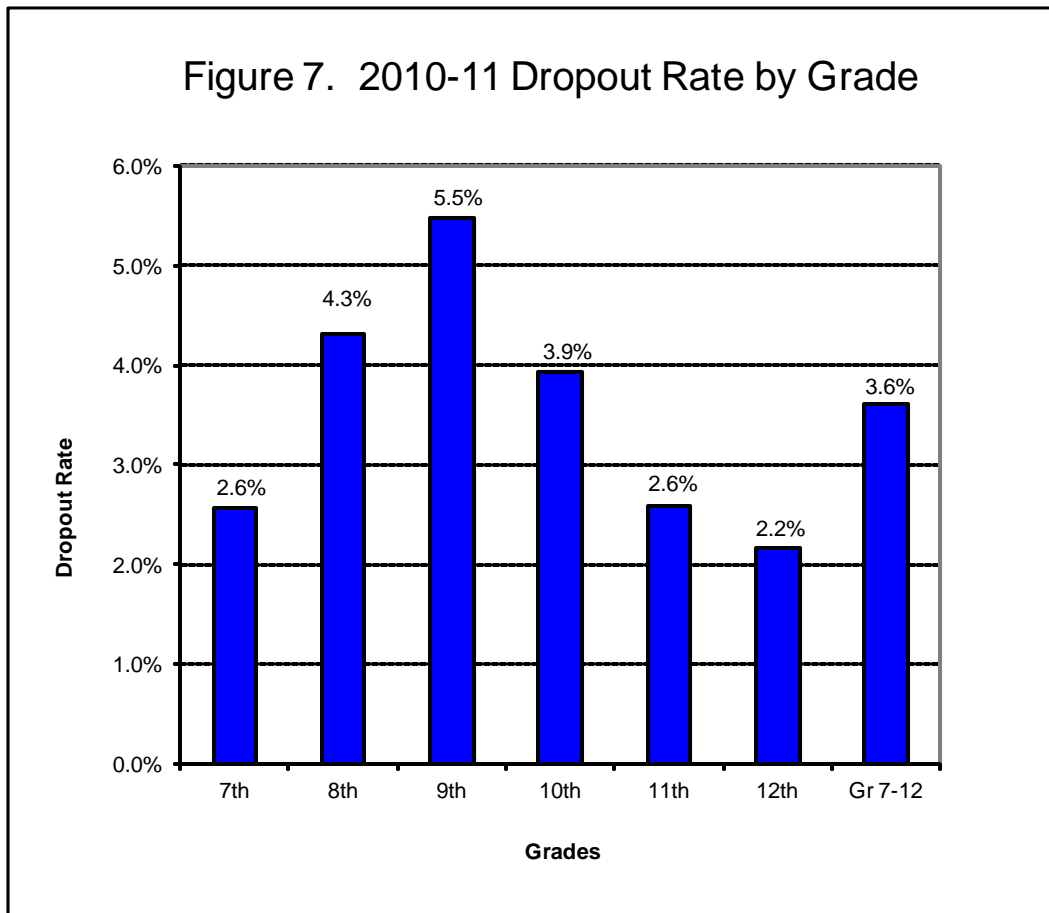


Table 8

**Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2010-11
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 | 2,801 | 525 | 5,460 | 8,786 | 135 | 18 | 186 | 339 |
| New Castle | 8,250 | 2,487 | 12,119 | 22,856 | 448 | 127 | 304 | 879 |
| Sussex | 1,670 | 712 | 5,100 | 7,482 | 71 | 19 | 134 | 224 |
| State | 12,721 | 3,724 | 22,679 | 39,124 | 654 | 164 | 624 | 1,442 |

Table 9

**Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2010-11
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 | 4.8% | 3.4% | 3.4% | 3.9% | 9.4% | 1.2% | 12.9% | 23.5% |
| New Castle | 5.4% | 5.1% | 2.5% | 3.8% | 31.1% | 8.8% | 21.1% | 61.0% |
| Sussex | 4.3% | 2.7% | 2.6% | 3.0% | 4.9% | 1.3% | 9.3% | 15.5% |
| State | 5.1% | 4.4% | 2.8% | 3.7% | 45.4% | 11.4% | 43.3% | 100.0% |

Figure 8. Percent of All Dropouts by County, 2010-11

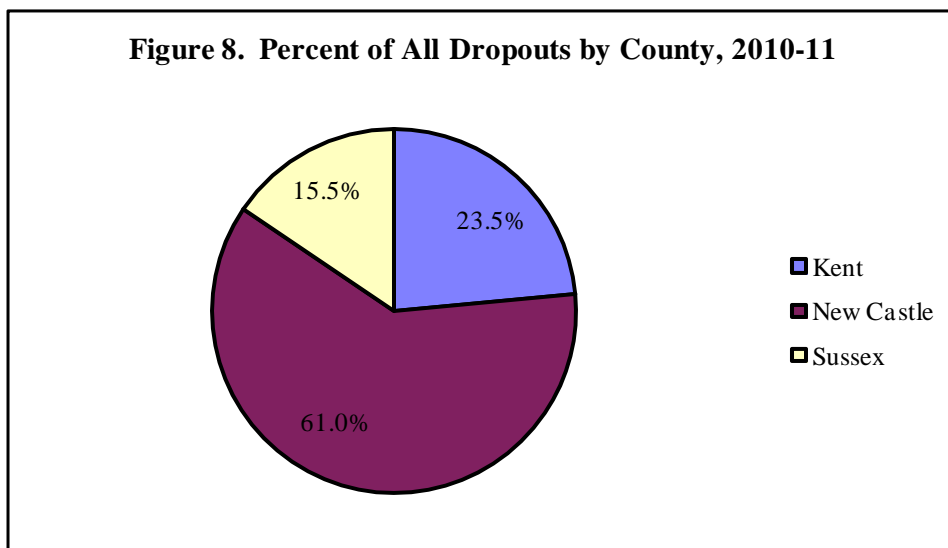


Table 10
Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2010-11
County by Grade

| County | Number of Enrolled Students | | | | | Number of Dropouts | | | | |
|--------------|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | All | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | All |
| Kent | 2,729 | 2,210 | 2,089 | 1,758 | 8,786 | 166 | 82 | 59 | 32 | 339 |
| New Castle | 6,572 | 5,975 | 5,225 | 5,084 | 22,856 | 371 | 247 | 135 | 126 | 879 |
| Sussex | 2,115 | 1,962 | 1,783 | 1,622 | 7,482 | 88 | 69 | 41 | 26 | 224 |
| State | 11,416 | 10,147 | 9,097 | 8,464 | 39,124 | 625 | 398 | 235 | 184 | 1,442 |

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

| County | Annual Dropout rate | | | | | Percent of All Dropouts | | | | |
|--------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | All | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | All |
| Kent | 6.1% | 3.7% | 2.8% | 1.8% | 3.9% | 11.5% | 5.7% | 4.1% | 2.2% | 23.5% |
| New Castle | 5.6% | 4.1% | 2.6% | 2.5% | 3.8% | 25.7% | 17.1% | 9.4% | 8.7% | 61.0% |
| Sussex | 4.2% | 3.5% | 2.3% | 1.6% | 3.0% | 6.1% | 4.8% | 2.8% | 1.8% | 15.5% |
| State | 5.5% | 3.9% | 2.6% | 2.2% | 3.7% | 43.3% | 27.6% | 16.3% | 12.8% | 100% |

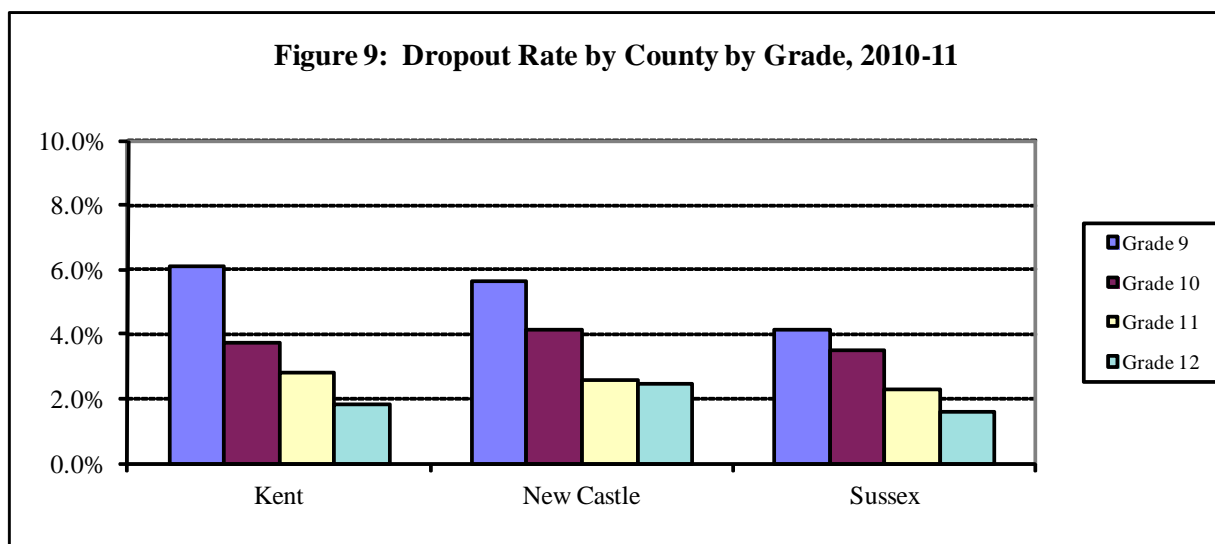


Table 12. ANNUAL DROPOUT RATES BY DISTRICT, 2008-2009 to 2010-11 Grades 9-12

| | | 2008-2009 | | | 2009-2010 | | | 2010-11 | | | 2009-2011 |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| CODE | DISTRICT/CHARTER | 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 | | 22,697 | 1,299 | 5.7 | 22,857 | 852 | 3.7 | 22,856 | 879 | 3.8 | 4.4 |
| 29 | Appoquinimink | 2,404 | 60 | 2.5 | 2,505 | 102 | 4.1 | 2,643 | 63 | 2.4 | 3.0 |
| 31 | Brandywine | 3,333 | 193 | 5.8 | 3,249 | 83 | 2.6 | 3,246 | 66 | 2.0 | 3.5 |
| 70 | Charter School of Wilmington | 960 | 0 | 0.0 | 987 | 9 | 0.9 | 970 | 17 | 1.8 | 0.9 |
| 33 | Christina | 4,287 | 441 | 10.3 | 4,186 | 233 | 5.6 | 4,081 | 319 | 7.8 | 7.9 |
| 34 | Colonial | 2,317 | 146 | 6.3 | 2,114 | 109 | 5.2 | 2,041 | 134 | 6.6 | 6.0 |
| 79 | Delaware Military Academy | 526 | 13 | 2.5 | 540 | 7 | 1.3 | 556 | 7 | 1.3 | 1.7 |
| 75 | M.J. Moyer Academy | 134 | 11 | 8.2 | 224 | 17 | 7.6 | 101 | 30 | 29.7 | 15.2 |
| 38 | NCC Voc Tech | 4,379 | 216 | 4.9 | 4,635 | 111 | 2.4 | 4,723 | 38 | 0.8 | 2.7 |
| 83 | Pencader Charter School | 575 | 20 | 3.5 | 619 | 23 | 3.7 | 616 | 22 | 3.6 | 3.6 |
| 32 | Red Clay | 3,782 | 199 | 5.3 | 3,798 | 158 | 4.2 | 3,879 | 183 | 4.7 | 4.7 |
| Kent County | | 8,591 | 395 | 4.6 | 8,708 | 351 | 4.0 | 8,765 | 339 | 3.9 | 4.2 |
| 10 | Caesar Rodney | 2,118 | 91 | 4.3 | 2,119 | 90 | 4.2 | 2,168 | 93 | 4.3 | 4.3 |
| 74 | Campus Community | 216 | 8 | 3.7 | 232 | 7 | 3.0 | 227 | 9 | 4.0 | 3.6 |
| 13 | Capital | 1,584 | 127 | 8.0 | 1,579 | 104 | 6.6 | 1,596 | 63 | 3.9 | 6.2 |
| 15 | Lake Forest | 928 | 48 | 5.2 | 909 | 43 | 4.7 | 903 | 41 | 4.5 | 4.8 |
| 18 | Milford | 1,178 | 59 | 5.0 | 1,217 | 64 | 5.3 | 1,182 | 67 | 5.7 | 5.3 |
| 39 | Polytech | 1,164 | 8 | 0.7 | 1,177 | 3 | 0.3 | 1,185 | 9 | 0.8 | 0.6 |
| 71 | Positive Outcomes | 82 | 6 | 7.3 | 85 | 3 | 3.5 | 84 | 10 | 11.9 | 7.6 |
| 24 | Smyrna | 1,321 | 48 | 3.6 | 1,390 | 37 | 2.7 | 1,420 | 47 | 3.3 | 3.2 |
| Sussex County | | 7,331 | 294 | 4.0 | 7,526 | 310 | 4.1 | 7,482 | 224 | 3.0 | 3.7 |
| 17 | Cape Henlopen | 1,285 | 43 | 3.3 | 1,318 | 52 | 3.9 | 1,339 | 64 | 4.8 | 4.0 |
| 37 | Delmar | 654 | 18 | 2.8 | 643 | 29 | 4.5 | 631 | 11 | 1.7 | 3.0 |
| 36 | Indian River | 2,291 | 83 | 3.6 | 2,340 | 82 | 3.5 | 2,286 | 44 | 1.9 | 3.0 |
| 16 | Laurel | 546 | 41 | 7.5 | 554 | 34 | 6.1 | 542 | 26 | 4.8 | 6.1 |
| 23 | Seaford | 759 | 61 | 8.0 | 849 | 63 | 7.4 | 818 | 42 | 5.1 | 6.9 |
| 40 | Sussex Tech | 1,245 | 16 | 1.3 | 1,283 | 14 | 1.1 | 1,295 | 8 | 0.6 | 1.0 |
| 35 | Woodbridge | 551 | 32 | 5.8 | 539 | 36 | 6.7 | 571 | 29 | 5.1 | 5.9 |
| STATE | | 38,619 | 1,988 | 5.1 | 39,091 | 1,513 | 3.9 | 39,103 | 1,442 | 3.7 | 4.2 |

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, 2007-2008 Through 2010-2011

| | | 2008-2009 | | | 2009-2010 | | | 2010-11 | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|
| CODE | HIGH SCHOOLS | TOTAL ENROLLMENT | TOTAL DROPOUTS | DROPOUT RATE | TOTAL ENROLLMENT | TOTAL DROPOUTS | DROPOUT RATE | TOTAL ENROLLMENT | TOTAL DROPOUTS | DROPOUT RATE |
| New Castle County | | 21,866 | 1,006 | 4.6 | 21,869 | 699 | 3.2 | 21,785 | 827 | 3.8 |
| 18 | Middletown HS | 1,716 | 58 | 3.4 | 1,430 | 84 | 5.9 | 1,193 | 27 | 2.3 |
| 24 | Appoquinimink HS | 633 | 2 | 0.3 | 1,003 | 18 | 1.8 | 1,381 | 36 | 2.6 |
| 26 | Howard Tech HS | 869 | 17 | 2.0 | 862 | 13 | 1.5 | 848 | 13 | 1.5 |
| 44 | St Georges Tech HS | 754 | 3 | 0.4 | 1,002 | 3 | 0.3 | 1,039 | 1 | 0.1 |
| 66 | Paul M. Hodgson | 1,230 | 5 | 0.4 | 1,262 | 8 | 0.6 | 1,323 | 6 | 0.5 |
| 80 | Delcastle Tech HS | 1,495 | 14 | 0.9 | 1,483 | 17 | 1.1 | 1,485 | 17 | 1.1 |
| 190 | Brandywine HS | 1,157 | 78 | 6.7 | 1,131 | 34 | 3.0 | 1,023 | 17 | 1.7 |
| 194 | Concord HS | 1,268 | 60 | 4.7 | 1,282 | 16 | 1.2 | 1,353 | 27 | 2.0 |
| 196 | Mt Pleasant HS | 908 | 55 | 6.1 | 836 | 33 | 3.9 | 867 | 22 | 2.5 |
| 286 | Calloway Arts Sch | 414 | 0 | 0.0 | 425 | 3 | 0.7 | 434 | 1 | 0.2 |
| 290 | John Dickinson HS | 755 | 83 | 11.0 | 661 | 49 | 7.4 | 644 | 78 | 12.1 |
| 292 | A. I. duPont HS | 1,456 | 32 | 2.2 | 1,480 | 48 | 3.2 | 1,386 | 51 | 3.7 |
| 294 | Thomas McKean HS | 934 | 70 | 7.5 | 881 | 39 | 4.4 | 911 | 40 | 4.4 |
| 295 | Charter Sch of Wilm | 960 | 0 | 0.0 | 987 | 9 | 0.9 | 970 | 17 | 1.8 |
| 390 | Christiana HS | 1,179 | 121 | 10.3 | 1,098 | 76 | 6.9 | 1,016 | 80 | 7.9 |
| 392 | Glasgow HS | 1,081 | 100 | 9.3 | 1,107 | 45 | 4.1 | 1,141 | 101 | 8.9 |
| 394 | Newark HS | 1,578 | 123 | 7.8 | 1,512 | 53 | 3.5 | 1,517 | 107 | 7.1 |
| 490 | William Penn HS | 2,244 | 141 | 6.3 | 2,044 | 104 | 5.1 | 1,981 | 127 | 6.4 |
| 574 | M.J. Moyer Academy | 134 | 11 | 8.2 | 224 | 17 | 7.6 | 101 | 30 | 29.7 |
| 578 | Delaware Mil. Acad. | 526 | 13 | 2.5 | 540 | 7 | 1.3 | 556 | 7 | 1.3 |
| 582 | Pencader Charter HS | 575 | 20 | 3.5 | 619 | 23 | 3.7 | 616 | 22 | 3.6 |
| Kent County | | 8,318 | 376 | 4.5 | 8,406 | 328 | 3.9 | 8,543 | 318 | 3.7 |
| 570 | Positive Outcomes | 82 | 6 | 7.3 | 85 | 3 | 3.5 | 84 | 10 | 11.9 |
| 573 | Campus Community | 216 | 8 | 3.7 | 232 | 7 | 3.0 | 227 | 9 | 4.0 |
| 626 | Caesar Rodney HS | 2,007 | 89 | 4.4 | 2,009 | 88 | 4.4 | 2,067 | 90 | 4.4 |
| 648 | Dover HS | 1,469 | 110 | 7.5 | 1,449 | 85 | 5.9 | 1,489 | 46 | 3.1 |
| 652 | Polytech HS | 1,164 | 8 | 0.7 | 1,177 | 3 | 0.3 | 1,185 | 9 | 0.8 |

| | | 2008-2009 | | | 2009-2010 | | | 2010-11 | | |
|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| CODE | HIGH SCHOOLS | TOTAL ENROLLMENT | TOTAL DROPOUTS | DROPOUT RATE | TOTAL ENROLLMENT | TOTAL DROPOUTS | DROPOUT RATE | TOTAL ENROLLMENT | TOTAL DROPOUTS | DROPOUT RATE |
| 665 | Lake Forest HS | 919 | 48 | 5.2 | 892 | 41 | 4.6 | 889 | 40 | 4.5 |
| 678 | Milford SR HS | 1,156 | 59 | 5.1 | 1,190 | 64 | 5.4 | 1,182 | 67 | 5.7 |
| 688 | Smyrna HS | 1,305 | 48 | 3.7 | 1,372 | 37 | 2.7 | 1,420 | 47 | 3.3 |
| Sussex County | | 7,092 | 282 | 4.0 | 7,238 | 296 | 4.1 | 7,231 | 213 | 2.9 |
| 726 | Cape Henlopen HS | 1,223 | 39 | 3.2 | 1,222 | 50 | 4.1 | 1,237 | 62 | 5.0 |
| 730 | Delmar Sr HS | 640 | 18 | 2.8 | 633 | 29 | 4.6 | 626 | 11 | 1.8 |
| 746 | Indian River HS | 894 | 38 | 4.3 | 911 | 31 | 3.4 | 921 | 9 | 1.0 |
| 748 | Sussex Central Sr HS | 1,289 | 39 | 3.0 | 1,316 | 42 | 3.2 | 1,285 | 28 | 2.2 |
| 756 | Laurel Sr HS | 538 | 39 | 7.2 | 531 | 31 | 5.8 | 520 | 24 | 4.6 |
| 766 | Seaford Sr HS | 714 | 61 | 8.5 | 803 | 63 | 7.8 | 779 | 42 | 5.4 |
| 770 | Sussex Tech HS | 1,245 | 16 | 1.3 | 1,283 | 14 | 1.1 | 1,295 | 8 | 0.6 |
| 780 | Woodbridge HS | 549 | 32 | 5.8 | 539 | 36 | 6.7 | 568 | 29 | 5.1 |

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

Figure 10. Dropout Rate by District 2010-11

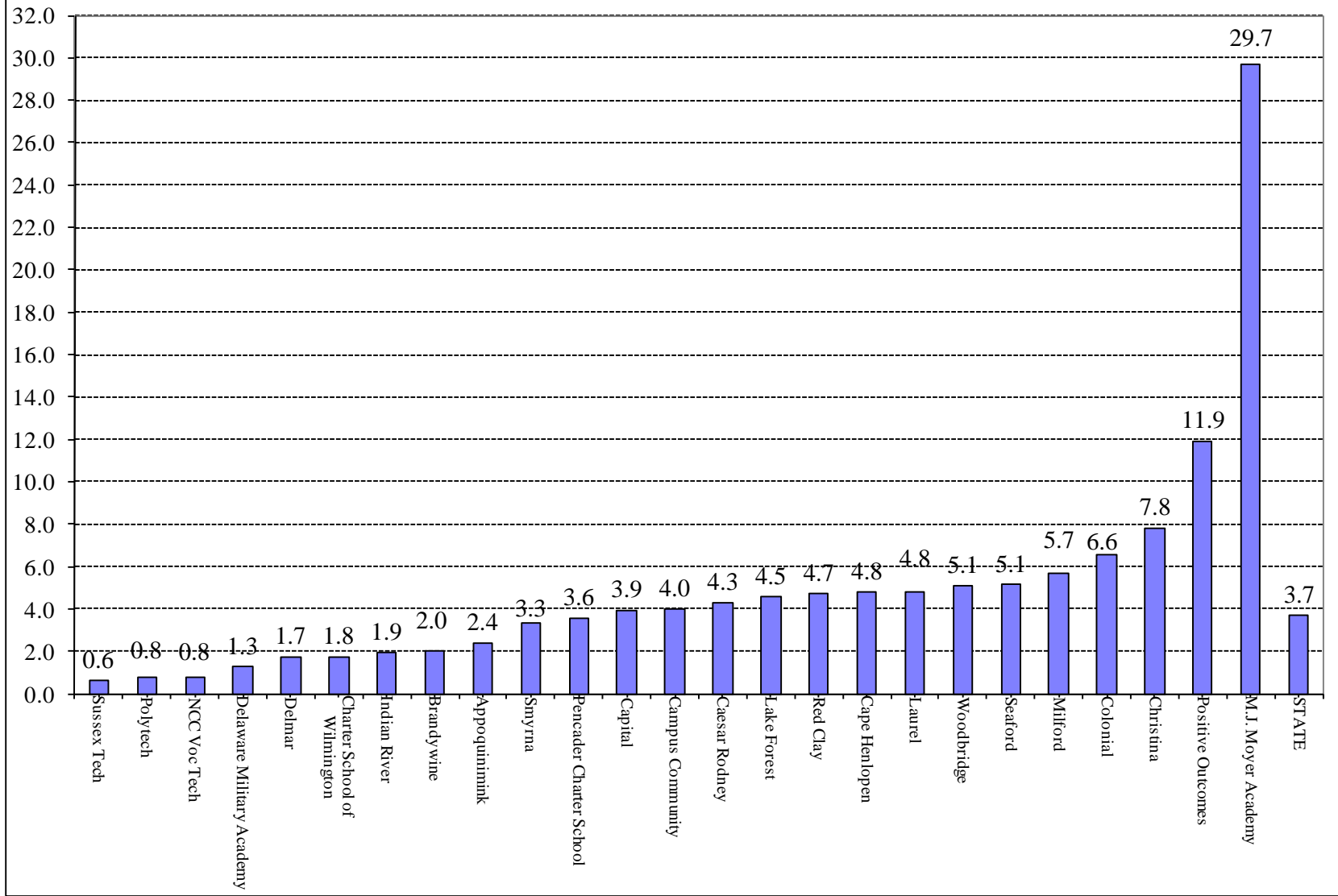


Table 14

**Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2010-11
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 | 1,458 | 7,328 | 8,786 | 96 | 243 | 339 |
| New Castle | 2,958 | 19,898 | 22,856 | 192 | 687 | 879 |
| Sussex | 1,162 | 6,320 | 7,482 | 35 | 189 | 224 |
| Total | 5,578 | 33,546 | 39,124 | 323 | 1,119 | 1,442 |

Table 15

**Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2010-11
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 | 6.6% | 3.3% | 3.9% | 6.7% | 16.9% | 23.5% |
| Kent | 6.5% | 3.5% | 3.8% | 13.3% | 47.6% | 61.0% |
| Sussex | 3.0% | 3.0% | 3.0% | 2.4% | 13.1% | 15.5% |
| Total | 14.3% | 85.7% | 3.7% | 22.4% | 77.6% | 100.0% |

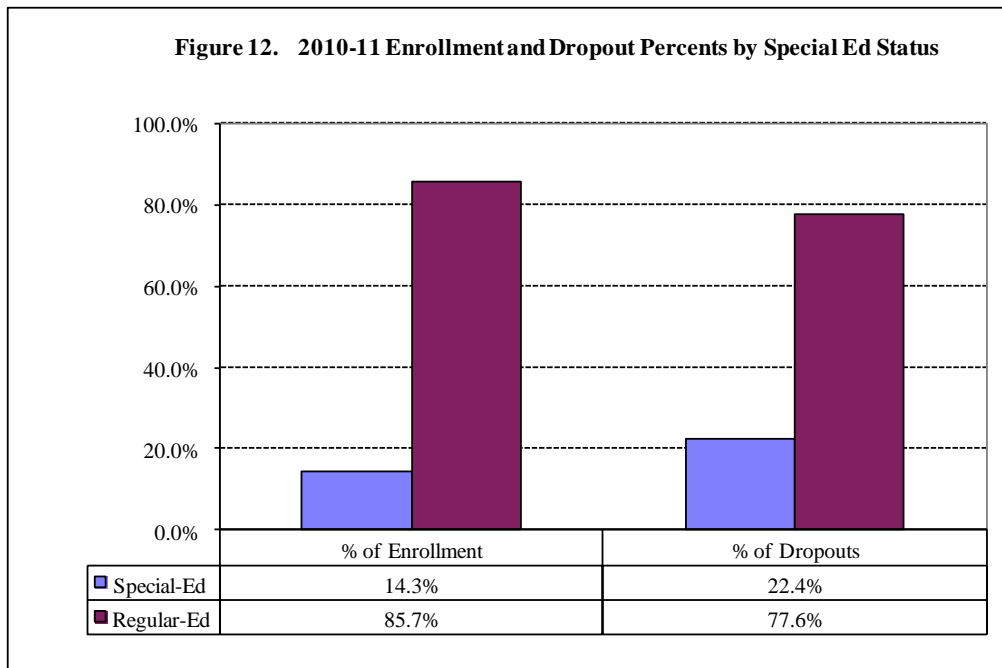


Table 16
Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2010-11
Race by Special-Ed (Grades 9-12)

| Group | <u>Number of Enrolled Students</u> | | | | <u>Number of Dropouts</u> | | | |
|--------------|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------|--------------|
| | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All |
| Special-ED | 2,329 | 494 | 2,695 | 5,518 | 160 | 37 | 125 | 322 |
| Regular-ED | 10,392 | 3,230 | 19,984 | 33,606 | 494 | 127 | 499 | 1,120 |
| Total | 12,721 | 3,724 | 22,679 | 39,124 | 654 | 164 | 624 | 1,442 |

Table 17
Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2010-2011
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 | 6.9% | 7.5% | 4.6% | 5.8% | 11.1% | 2.6% | 8.7% | 22.3% |
| Regular-ED | 4.8% | 3.9% | 2.5% | 3.3% | 34.3% | 8.8% | 34.6% | 77.7% |
| Total | 5.1% | 4.4% | 2.8% | 3.7% | 45.4% | 11.4% | 43.3% | 100.0% |

Table 18
Delaware Special Education Enrollments and Dropouts by Race, 2006-2011
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% |
| 2011 | Enrolled | 2,329 | 494 | 2,695 | 5,518 |
| | Dropouts | 160 | 37 | 125 | 322 |
| | Annual Dropout Rate | 6.9% | 7.5% | 4.6% | 5.8% |
| | Percent of All Dropouts | 11.1% | 2.6% | 8.7% | 22.3% |

Table 19
Annual Delaware Dropout Rates, Grades 9-12
1979-1980 Through 2009-2011

| 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 |
| 2010-11 | 2.8 | 5.1 | 4.4 | 3.7 |

Table 20. Special Education Grade 9-12 Dropouts by School, 2006-2007 through 2010-11

| CODE | HIGHSCHOOLS | 2009 | | 2010 | | 2011 | | 3-Yr Average Dropout Rate* |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------------------|
| | | SPECIAL ENROLLMENT | SPECIAL DROPOUTS | SPECIAL ENROLLMENT | SPECIAL DROPOUTS | SPECIAL ENROLLMENT | SPECIAL DROPOUTS | |
| Delaware Public Schools | | 4,768 | 176 | 4,720 | 176 | 4,733 | 174 | 3.7% |
| New Castle County | | 2,419 | 95 | 2,376 | 96 | 2,472 | 94 | 3.9% |
| 18 | Middletown HS | 159 | 9 | 117 | 9 | 112 | 9 | 7.0% |
| 24 | Appoquinimink HS | 46 | 1 | 78 | 1 | 78 | 1 | |
| 26 | HowardTech HS | 108 | 2 | 106 | 2 | 106 | 2 | 1.9% |
| 44 | St. Georges Tech HS | 67 | 0 | 88 | 0 | 87 | 0 | 0.0% |
| 50 | Multiple Alternative Program (MAP) | | | | | | | |
| 66 | Paul M. Hodgson | 116 | 1 | 113 | 1 | 111 | 1 | 0.9% |
| 80 | Delcastle Tech HS | 180 | 0 | 180 | 0 | 178 | 0 | 0.0% |
| 190 | Brandywine HS | 112 | 6 | 106 | 6 | 106 | 6 | 5.6% |
| 194 | Concord HS | 90 | 9 | 94 | 9 | 90 | 9 | 9.9% |
| 196 | Mt Pleasant HS | 123 | 7 | 116 | 7 | 116 | 7 | 5.9% |
| 284 | Conrad School of Science | | | | | | 0 | |
| 286 | Calloway Arts Sch | 12 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 14 | 0 | |
| 290 | John Dickinson HS | 121 | 1 | 109 | 1 | 108 | 1 | 0.9% |
| 292 | A. I. duPont HS | 106 | 3 | 129 | 3 | 128 | 3 | 2.5% |
| 294 | Thomas McKean HS | 156 | 9 | 158 | 9 | 158 | 9 | 5.7% |
| 295 | Charter School of Wilmington | | | | | 0 | 0 | |
| 354 | Sarah Pyle Academy | | | | | | | |
| 390 | Christiana HS | 123 | 7 | 107 | 7 | 107 | 7 | 6.2% |
| 392 | Glasgow HS | 100 | 3 | 117 | 3 | 117 | 3 | 2.7% |
| 394 | Newark HS | 137 | 7 | 131 | 7 | 130 | 7 | 5.3% |
| 490 | William Penn HS | 326 | 14 | 298 | 14 | 297 | 14 | 4.6% |
| 514 | John G. Leach School | 29 | 0 | 57 | 1 | 33 | 0 | 0.8% |
| 516 | Meadowood Program | | | | | 57 | 1 | |
| 522 | New Castle/Colonial ILC | 44 | 4 | 37 | 4 | 37 | 4 | |
| 527 | Central School (PACE) | 70 | 8 | 72 | 8 | 72 | 8 | 11.2% |
| 530 | First State School | 11 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | |
| 537 | Douglass School | 10 | 2 | 13 | 2 | 13 | 2 | |
| 538 | Brenen School (The) | 80 | 0 | 36 | 2 | 117 | 0 | |
| 540 | Margaret S. Sterck | 23 | 2 | | | | | |
| 574 | Maurice Moyer Academy | 33 | 0 | 57 | 0 | 57 | 0 | |
| 578 | Delaware Mil. Acad. | 15 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 11 | 0 | |
| 582 | Pencader Charter | 22 | 0 | 26 | 0 | 26 | 0 | |
| Kent County | | 1,364 | 51 | 1,395 | 51 | 1,369 | 51 | 3.7% |
| 570 | Positive Outcomes | 55 | 2 | 51 | 2 | 51 | 2 | 3.8% |
| 573 | Campus Community | 33 | 0 | 35 | 0 | 35 | 0 | |
| 626 | Caesar Rodney HS | 261 | 9 | 295 | 9 | 309 | 9 | 3.1% |
| 630 | John S. Charlton School | 92 | 1 | 94 | 1 | 94 | 1 | 1.1% |
| 648 | Dover HS | 261 | 20 | 241 | 20 | 240 | 20 | 8.1% |
| 650 | Kent Co. Community School | 21 | 0 | 33 | 0 | | | |
| 652 | Polytech HS | 118 | 0 | 111 | 0 | 110 | 0 | 0.0% |
| 655 | Kent County Alternative Programs | 56 | 6 | 62 | 6 | 62 | 6 | 10.0% |
| 659 | Lake Forest ILC | 9 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 0.0% |
| 665 | Lake Forest HS | 118 | 2 | 114 | 2 | 114 | 2 | 1.7% |
| 678 | Milford SR HS | 149 | 6 | 146 | 6 | 146 | 6 | 4.1% |
| 688 | Smyrna HS | 191 | 5 | 196 | 5 | 191 | 5 | 2.6% |
| Sussex County | | 985 | 30 | 949 | 29 | 892 | 29 | 3.1% |
| 689 | Allen (Richard) School | | | | | | | |
| 726 | Cape Henlopen HS | 158 | 2 | 145 | 2 | 144 | 2 | 1.3% |
| 728 | Sussex Consortium | 49 | 2 | 65 | 2 | 65 | 2 | |
| 730 | Delmar Sr HS | 70 | 3 | 55 | 3 | 55 | 3 | 5.0% |
| 746 | Indian River HS | 112 | 7 | 105 | 7 | 105 | 7 | 6.5% |
| 748 | Sussex Central Sr HS | 153 | 0 | 131 | 0 | 131 | 0 | 0.0% |
| 750 | Ennis (Howard T) School | 53 | 0 | 50 | 0 | | | 0.0% |
| 756 | Laurel Sr HS | 98 | 3 | 87 | 3 | 83 | 3 | 3.4% |
| 765 | Western Sussex Academy | 8 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0.0% |
| 766 | Seaford SR HS | 73 | 5 | 94 | 5 | 93 | 5 | 5.8% |
| 770 | Sussex Tech HS | 125 | 4 | 110 | 4 | 109 | 4 | 3.5% |
| 780 | Woodbridge HS | 86 | 3 | 97 | 3 | 97 | 3 | 3.2% |

* 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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