

**State of Delaware
Department of Education**

Delaware Dropouts, 2001-2002

Summary Statistics

January 2003

Executive Summary of Delaware Dropouts, 2001-2002

- During the 2001-2002 school year, 2,119 of the 34,421 students enrolled in grades 9-12 dropped out of school.
- Due to The Department of Education's improved data collection methods, intensive tracking of nearly 100% of exiting student reflects what appears to be an increase in the dropout number. The 2001-2002 dropout rate is 6.2%
- Of the 2,119 dropouts, 60% were male and 40% were female.
- Dropout rates for minorities reflect national trends. African American/Black students drop out rate is 8.9% (42.8% of the total dropout number); Hispanic dropout rate is 11.5% (6.7 of the total dropout number); Whites/Others drop out rate is 4.5% (48.5% of the total dropout number).
- The greatest number of dropouts exited school in 9th and 10th grade (65.4%), which reflects compulsory school attendance laws requiring students to remain in school through age 16.

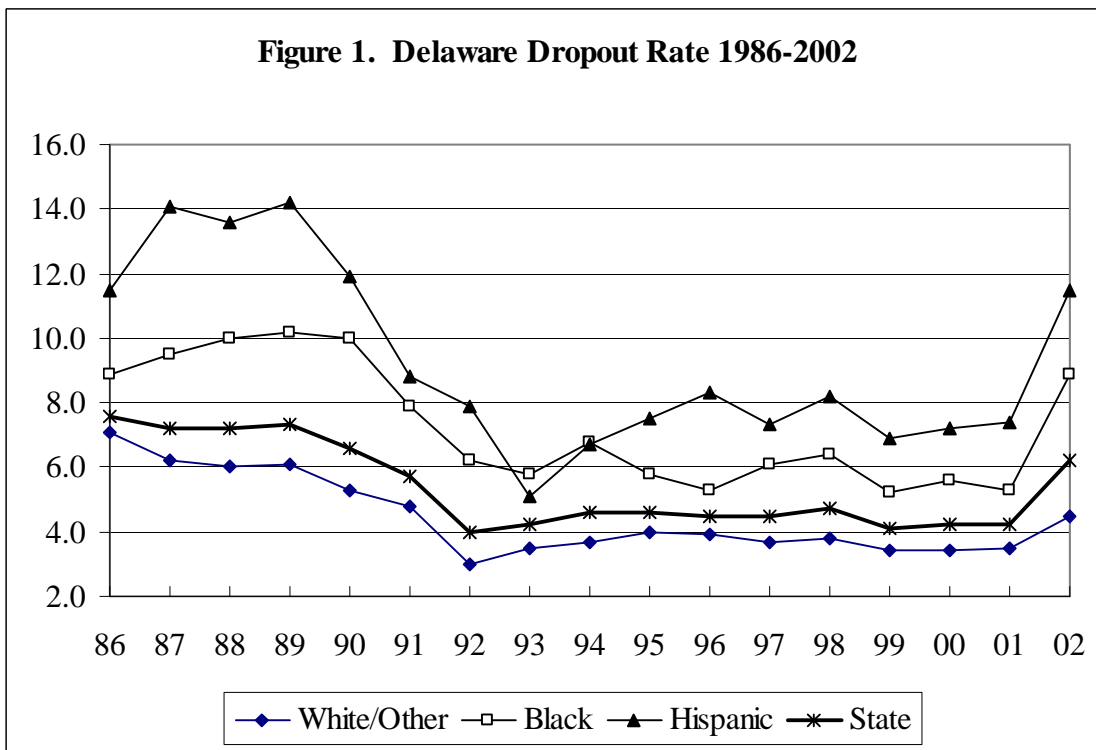


Table 1
Delaware Dropouts 2001-2002
Summary Statistics
Grades 9-12

(N=2119)

| | Annual Dropout Rate (%) | Percent of All Dropouts (%) |
|------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| TOTAL | 6.2 | 100 |
| Gender | | |
| Male | 7.3% | 60.0 |
| Female | 5.0% | 40.0 |
| RACE / ETHNICITY | | |
| American Indian | 5.3 | 0.2 |
| African American | 8.9 | 42.8 |
| Asian | 3.5 | 1.4 |
| Hispanic | 11.5 | 8.7 |
| White | 4.6 | 46.9 |
| AGE | | |
| Less than 15 | 1.6 | 6.7 |
| Age 15 | 4.3 | 18.3 |
| Age 16 | 7.4 | 30.0 |
| Greater than 16 | 12.2 | 45.0 |

Figure 2. Percent of Dropouts by Race/Ethnicity, 2001-2002

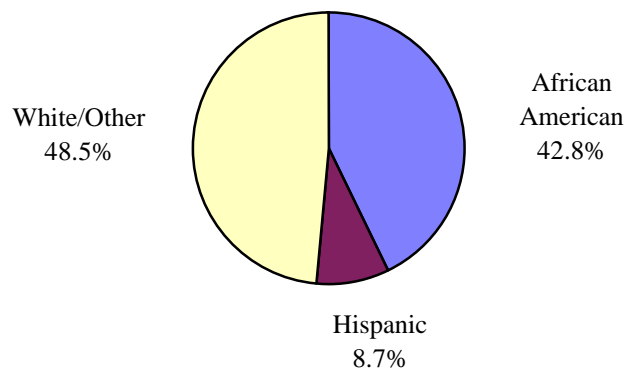


Figure 3. Percent of Dropouts by Gender, 2001-2002

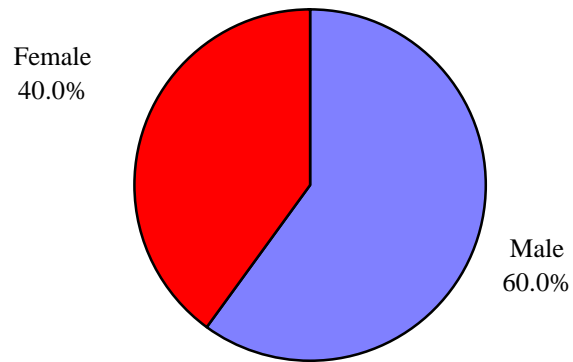


Figure 4. Percent of Dropouts by Age, 2001-2002

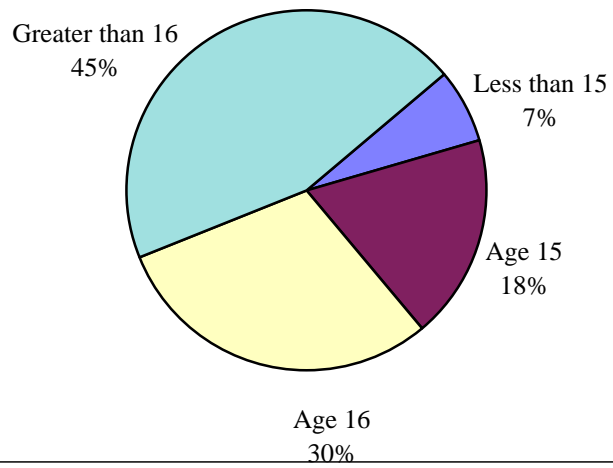


Table 2
Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2001-2002
Grade by Race

| Grade | <u>Number of Enrolled Students</u> | | | | <u>Number of Dropouts</u> | | | |
|--------------|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All |
| 9 | 3,620 | 605 | 6,452 | 10,677 | 394 | 87 | 357 | 838 |
| 10 | 2,594 | 397 | 5,914 | 8,905 | 241 | 47 | 260 | 548 |
| 11 | 1,962 | 305 | 5,220 | 7,487 | 158 | 24 | 212 | 394 |
| 12 | 2,015 | 290 | 5,047 | 7,352 | 114 | 26 | 199 | 339 |
| Total | 10,191 | 1,597 | 22,633 | 34,421 | 907 | 184 | 1028 | 2119 |

Table 3
Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2001-2002
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 | 10.9% | 14.4% | 5.5% | 7.8% | 18.6% | 4.1% | 16.8% | 39.5% |
| Grade 10 | 9.3% | 11.8% | 4.4% | 6.2% | 11.4% | 2.2% | 12.3% | 25.9% |
| Grade 11 | 8.1% | 7.9% | 4.1% | 5.3% | 7.5% | 1.1% | 10.0% | 18.6% |
| Grade 12 | 5.7% | 9.0% | 3.9% | 4.6% | 5.4% | 1.2% | 9.4% | 16.0% |
| Total | 8.9% | 11.5% | 4.5% | 6.2% | 42.8% | 8.7% | 48.5% | 100.0% |

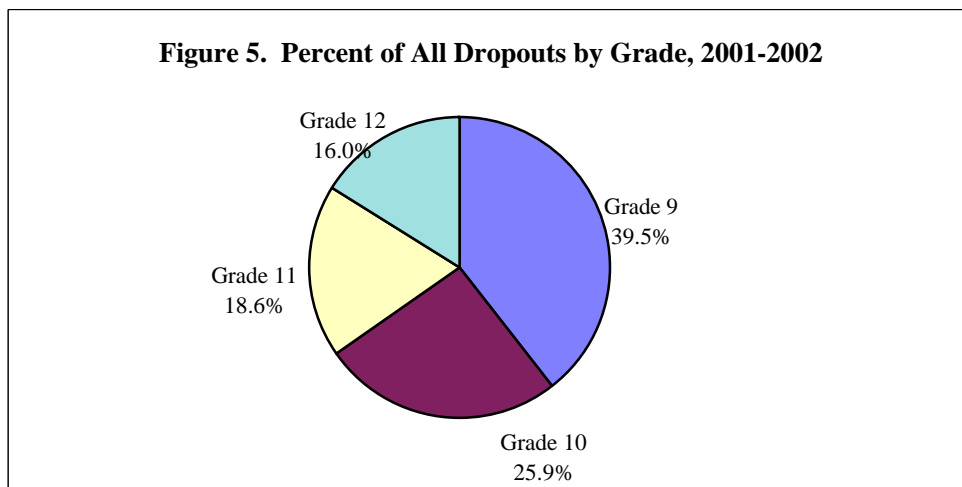


Table 4
Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2001-2002
Gender by Race

| Gender | <u>Number of Enrolled Students</u> | | | | <u>Number of Dropouts</u> | | | |
|--------------|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All |
| Male | 5,036 | 823 | 11,643 | 17,502 | 570 | 101 | 600 | 1271 |
| Female | 5,155 | 774 | 10,990 | 16,919 | 337 | 83 | 428 | 848 |
| Total | 10,191 | 1,597 | 22,633 | 34,421 | 907 | 184 | 1028 | 2119 |

Table 5
Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2001-2002
Gender by Race

| Gender | <u>Annual Dropout Rate</u> | | | | <u>Percent of All Dropouts</u> | | | |
|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All |
| Male | 11.3% | 12.3% | 5.2% | 7.3% | 26.9% | 4.8% | 28.3% | 60.0% |
| Female | 6.5% | 10.7% | 3.9% | 5.0% | 15.9% | 3.9% | 20.2% | 40.0% |
| Total | 8.9% | 11.5% | 4.5% | 6.2% | 42.8% | 8.7% | 48.5% | 100.0% |

Figure 6. Dropout Rate by Gender by Race, 2001-2002

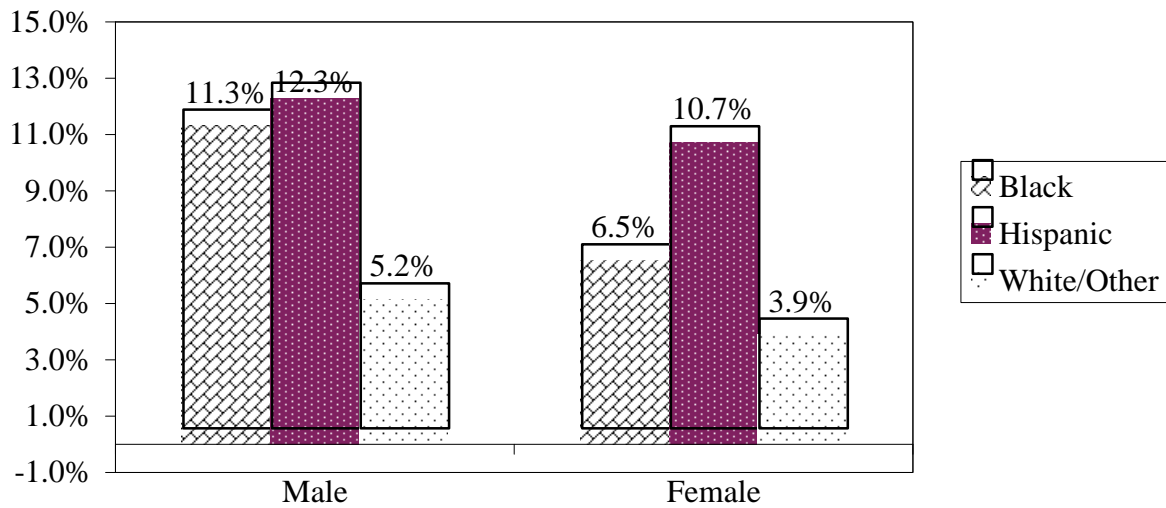


Table 6
Over-Age, Age-Appropriate, or Under-Age Dropouts, 2001-2002
By Grade Level

| Age | Grade 9 | | Grade 10 | | Grade 11 | | Grade 12 | | All Grades | |
|-----------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| | No. | % | No. | % | No. | % | No. | % | No. | % |
| Over-Age | 702 | 83.8% | 440 | 80.3% | 265 | 67.3% | 160 | 47.2% | 1,567 | 73.9% |
| Age-Appropriate | 116 | 13.8% | 101 | 18.4% | 102 | 25.9% | 151 | 44.5% | 470 | 22.2% |
| Under Age | 20 | 2.4% | 7 | 1.3% | 27 | 6.9% | 28 | 8.3% | 82 | 3.9% |
| Total | 838 | 100% | 548 | 100% | 394 | 100% | 339 | 100% | 2,119 | 100% |

Table 7
Reasons for Dropping Out 2001-2002
Grades 9-12

| Reason | Number | Percent |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| School-Related Academic, disciplinary, poor attendance | 497 | 23.5% |
| Economic-Related Acquired employment, needed at home | 29 | 1.4% |
| Personal Illness, pregnancy, marriage, child care, over compulsory age | 503 | 23.7% |
| Unknown | 1090 | 51.4% |
| Total | 2119 | 100% |

**Failed to Enroll in Groves Adult High School
after Withdrawal to Groves** 62 2.9%

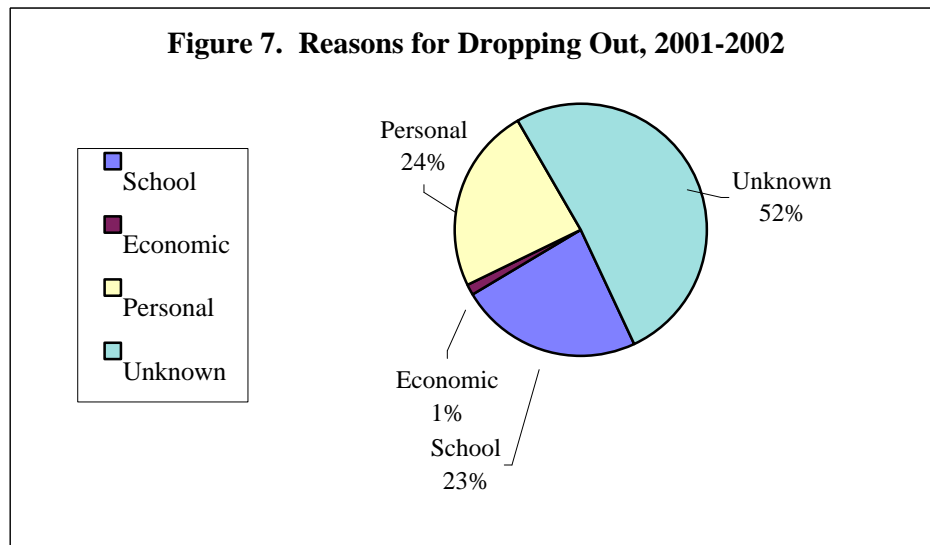


Table 8
Delaware Dropouts, 2001-2002
Grades 7-8

| | Grade 7 | | | Grade 8 | | |
|--------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | No. of Dropouts | Students Enrolled | Rate per 1000 Pupils | No. of Dropouts | Students Enrolled | Rate per 1000 Pupils |
| New Castle | 16 | 5,492 | 2.9 | 31 | 5,440 | 5.7 |
| Kent | 0 | 2,025 | 0.0 | 9 | 2,168 | 4.2 |
| Sussex | 1 | 1,717 | 0.6 | 5 | 1,821 | 2.7 |
| State | 17 | 9,234 | 1.8 | 45 | 9,429 | 4.8 |

Table 9
Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2001-2002
County by Race

| County | <u>Number of Enrolled Students</u> | | | | <u>Number of Dropouts</u> | | | |
|--------------|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All |
| New Castle | 6432 | 1146 | 12531 | 20,109 | 674 | 156 | 652 | 1482 |
| Kent | 2020 | 223 | 5145 | 7,388 | 105 | 17 | 175 | 297 |
| Sussex | 1739 | 228 | 4957 | 6,924 | 128 | 11 | 201 | 340 |
| Total | 10,191 | 1,597 | 22,633 | 34,421 | 907 | 184 | 1028 | 2119 |

Table 10
Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2001-2002
County by Race

| County | <u>Annual Dropout rate</u> | | | | <u>Percent of All Dropouts</u> | | | |
|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All |
| New Castle | 10.5% | 13.6% | 5.2% | 7.4% | 31.8% | 7.4% | 30.8% | 69.9% |
| Kent | 5.2% | 7.6% | 3.4% | 4.0% | 5.0% | 0.8% | 8.3% | 14.0% |
| Sussex | 7.4% | 4.8% | 4.1% | 4.9% | 6.0% | 0.5% | 9.5% | 16.0% |
| Total | 8.9% | 11.5% | 4.5% | 6.2% | 42.8% | 8.7% | 48.5% | 100.0% |

Figure 9. Dropout Rate by County by Grade, 2001-2002

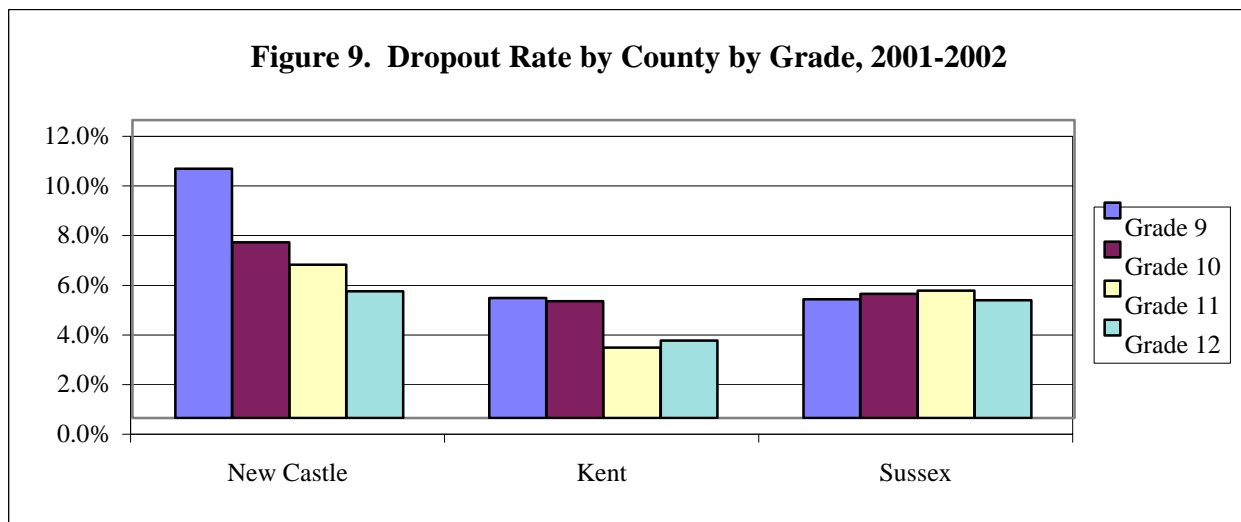


Table 11
Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2001-2002
County by Grade

| County | Number of Enrolled Students | | | | | Number of Dropouts | | | | |
|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | All | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | All |
| New Castle | 6202 | 5212 | 4360 | 4335 | 20,109 | 623 | 369 | 269 | 221 | 1482 |
| Kent | 2381 | 1915 | 1550 | 1542 | 7,388 | 115 | 90 | 44 | 48 | 297 |
| Sussex | 2094 | 1778 | 1577 | 1475 | 6,924 | 100 | 89 | 81 | 70 | 340 |
| Total | 10,677 | 8,905 | 7,487 | 7,352 | 34,421 | 838 | 548 | 394 | 339 | 2119 |

Table 12
Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2001-2002
County by Grade

| County | Annual Dropout rate | | | | | Percent of All Dropouts | | | | |
|--------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | All | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | All |
| New Castle | 10.0% | 7.1% | 6.2% | 5.1% | 7.4% | 29.4% | 17.4% | 12.7% | 10.4% | 69.9% |
| Kent | 4.8% | 4.7% | 2.8% | 3.1% | 4.0% | 5.4% | 4.2% | 2.1% | 2.3% | 14.0% |
| Sussex | 4.8% | 5.0% | 5.1% | 4.7% | 4.9% | 4.7% | 4.2% | 3.8% | 3.3% | 16.0% |
| Total | 7.8% | 6.2% | 5.3% | 4.6% | 6.2% | 39.5% | 25.9% | 18.6% | 16.0% | 100% |

Figure 8. Percent of All Dropouts by County, 2001-2002

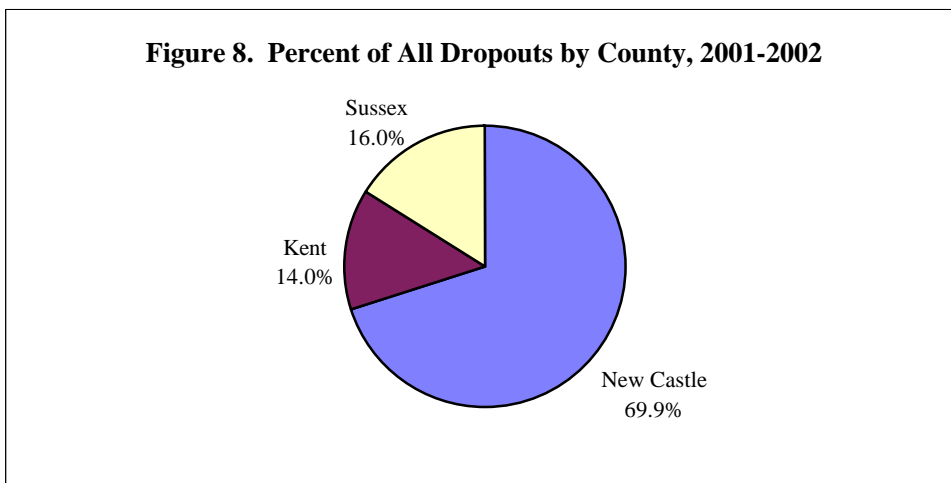


Figure 10. Dropout Rate by District, 2001-2002

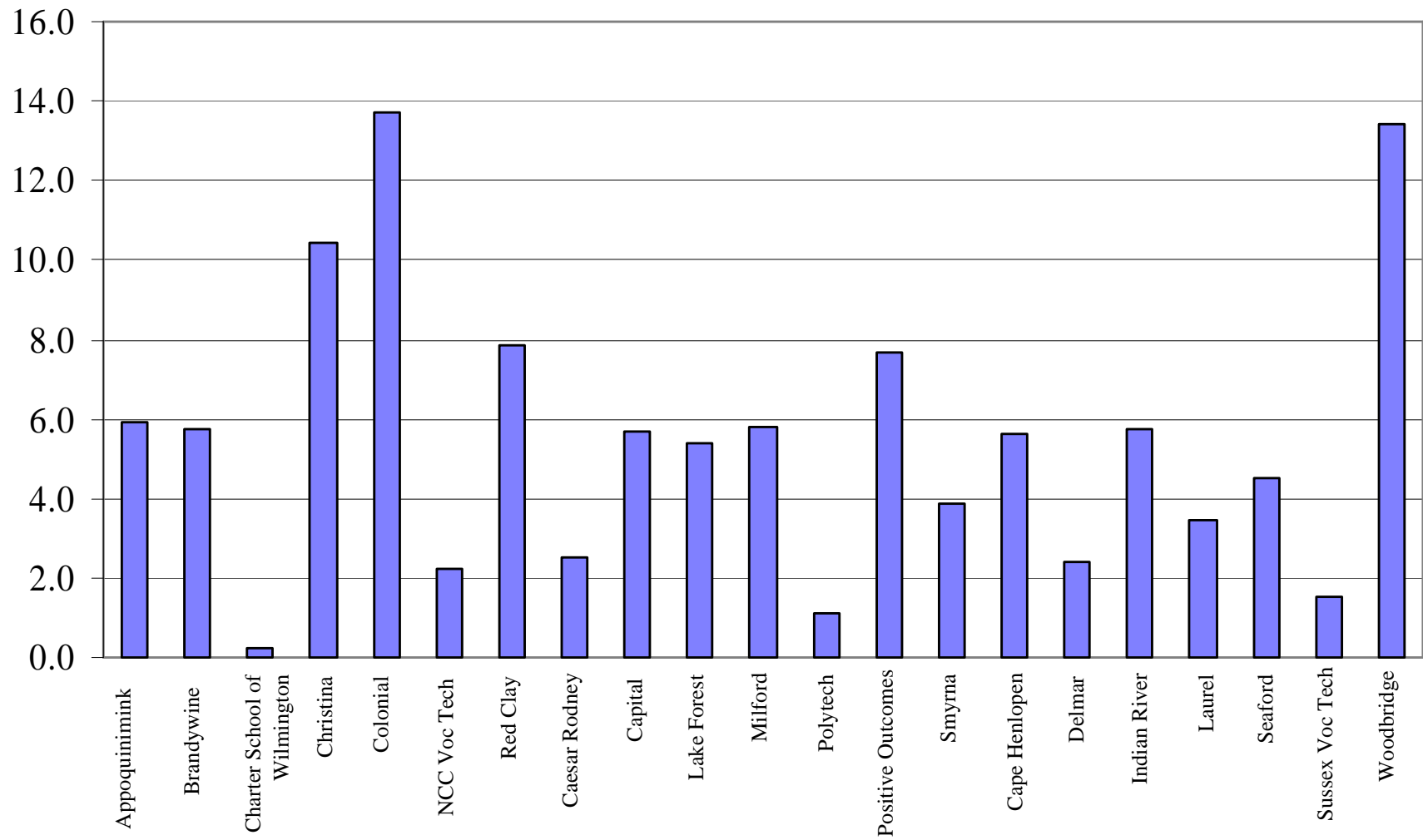


Table 13
ANNUAL DROPOUT RATES BY DISTRICT, 1998-99 THRU 2001-2002
Grades 9-12

| CODE | DISTRICT | 98-99 | | | 99-00 | | | 00-01 | | | 01-02 | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|
| | | 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 | | 19,666 | 808 | 4.1 | 19,576 | 722 | 3.7 | 19,958 | 921 | 4.6 | 20,109 | 1,482 | 7.4 |
| 29 | Appoquinimink | 1,062 | 43 | 4.0 | 1163 | 11 | 0.9 | 1,287 | 22 | 1.7 | 1,435 | 85 | 5.9 |
| 31 | Brandywine | 3,397 | 124 | 3.7 | 3,294 | 129 | 3.9 | 3,400 | 135 | 4.0 | 3,363 | 194 | 5.8 |
| 70 | Charter School of Wilmington | 552 | 0 | 0.0 | 686 | 0 | 0.0 | 798 | 0 | 0.0 | 890 | 2 | 0.2 |
| 33 | Christina | 4,922 | 306 | 6.2 | 4,786 | 235 | 4.9 | 4,687 | 276 | 5.9 | 4,719 | 492 | 10.4 |
| 34 | Colonial | 2,273 | 126 | 5.5 | 2,290 | 150 | 6.6 | 2,333 | 172 | 7.4 | 2,330 | 319 | 13.7 |
| 38 | NCC Voc Tech | 3485 | 24 | 0.7 | 3388 | 11 | 0.2 | 3,289 | 25 | 0.8 | 3,353 | 75 | 2.2 |
| 32 | Red Clay | 3,975 | 185 | 4.7 | 3,969 | 186 | 4.7 | 4,064 | 215 | 5.3 | 4,019 | 315 | 7.8 |
| 78 | Richard Milburn Academy* | | | | 100 | 76 | | 100 | 76 | 76.0 | | | |
| Kent County | | 7,088 | 257 | 3.6 | 7,145 | 336 | 4.7 | 7,241 | 245 | 3.4 | 7,388 | 297 | 4.0 |
| 10 | Caesar Rodney | 1,800 | 65 | 3.6 | 1791 | 94 | 5.2 | 1,860 | 13 | 0.7 | 1,787 | 45 | 2.5 |
| 13 | Capital | 1,450 | 65 | 4.5 | 1433 | 66 | 4.6 | 1,498 | 69 | 4.6 | 1,643 | 93 | 5.7 |
| 15 | Lake Forest | 835 | 43 | 5.1 | 827 | 51 | 6.2 | 862 | 63 | 7.3 | 872 | 47 | 5.4 |
| 18 | Milford | 988 | 37 | 3.7 | 1021 | 42 | 4.1 | 1,031 | 40 | 3.9 | 1,039 | 60 | 5.8 |
| 39 | Polytech | 1,071 | 14 | 1.3 | 1122 | 31 | 2.8 | 1,062 | 12 | 1.1 | 1,067 | 12 | 1.1 |
| 71 | Positive Outcomes | 37 | 2 | 5.4 | 41 | 1 | 2.4 | 49 | 5 | 10.2 | 52 | 4 | 7.7 |
| 24 | Smyrna | 907 | 31 | 3.4 | 910 | 51 | 5.6 | 879 | 43 | 4.9 | 928 | 36 | 3.9 |
| Sussex County | | 6,563 | 296 | 4.5 | 6,720 | 279 | 4.2 | 6,846 | 330 | 4.8 | 6,924 | 340 | 4.9 |
| 17 | Cape Henlopen | 1,038 | 55 | 5.3 | 1104 | 53 | 4.8 | 1,152 | 40 | 3.5 | 1,185 | 67 | 5.7 |
| 37 | Delmar | 455 | 17 | 3.7 | 491 | 18 | 3.7 | 522 | 26 | 5.0 | 542 | 13 | 2.4 |
| 36 | Indian River | 1,932 | 105 | 5.4 | 1922 | 72 | 3.7 | 1,926 | 100 | 5.2 | 1,960 | 113 | 5.8 |
| 16 | Laurel | 512 | 19 | 3.7 | 541 | 30 | 5.5 | 544 | 16 | 2.9 | 522 | 18 | 3.4 |
| 23 | Seaford | 1,035 | 65 | 6.3 | 1063 | 42 | 4.0 | 1,070 | 94 | 8.8 | 1,038 | 47 | 4.5 |
| 40 | Sussex Voc Tech | 1,171 | 13 | 1.1 | 1184 | 26 | 2.2 | 1,158 | 19 | 1.6 | 1,200 | 18 | 1.5 |
| 35 | Woodbridge | 420 | 22 | 5.2 | 415 | 38 | 9.2 | 474 | 35 | 7.4 | 477 | 64 | 13.4 |
| STATE | | 33,317 | 1,361 | 4.1 | 33,441 | 1,337 | 4.0 | 34,045 | 1,496 | 4.4 | 34,421 | 2,119 | 6.2 |

Note: Special Schools and ILC's are included in district dropout summary statistics.

* Richard Milburn Academy was only in operation during the 2000-2001 schoolyear and enrolled at-risk students

Table 14. GRADE 9-12 ANNUAL DROPOUT RATES BY SCHOOL, 1998-99 THRU 2001-2002

| CODE | HIGH SCHOOLS | 98-99 | | | 99-00 | | | 00-01 | | | 01-02 | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|
| | | 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 | | 19,509 | 772 | 4.0 | 18,535 | 644 | 3.5 | 19,145 | 754 | 3.9 | 19,630 | 1,380 | 7.0 |
| 18 | Middletown HS | 1037 | 43 | 4.1 | 1,163 | 11 | 0.9 | 1287 | 22 | 1.7 | 1435 | 85 | 5.9 |
| 26 | Howard Career Ctr | 715 | 5 | 0.7 | 762 | 4 | 0.5 | 808 | 4 | 0.5 | 826 | 14 | 1.7 |
| 66 | Paul M. Hodgson | 1316 | 13 | 1.0 | 1,039 | 5 | 0.5 | 1000 | 13 | 1.3 | 999 | 14 | 1.4 |
| 80 | Delcastle Tech HS | 1414 | 6 | 0.4 | 1,587 | 2 | 0.1 | 1422 | 8 | 0.6 | 1440 | 22 | 1.5 |
| 190 | Brandywine HS | 1262 | 40 | 3.2 | 1,210 | 43 | 3.6 | 1285 | 33 | 2.6 | 1256 | 53 | 4.2 |
| 194 | Concord HS | 1084 | 43 | 4.0 | 1,089 | 35 | 3.2 | 1098 | 47 | 4.3 | 1098 | 60 | 5.5 |
| 196 | Mt Pleasant HS | 1008 | 40 | 4.0 | 993 | 51 | 5.1 | 1014 | 55 | 5.4 | 967 | 79 | 8.2 |
| 286 | Calloway Arts Sch | 514 | 1 | 0.2 | 220 | 6 | 2.7 | | | | 324 | 4 | 1.2 |
| 290 | John Dickinson HS | 1048 | 26 | 2.5 | 1,042 | 26 | 2.5 | 1044 | 54 | 5.2 | 1026 | 45 | 4.4 |
| 292 | A. I. duPont HS | 1255 | 54 | 4.3 | 1,255 | 45 | 3.6 | 1267 | 33 | 2.6 | 1182 | 123 | 10.4 |
| 294 | Thomas McKean HS | 1359 | 87 | 6.4 | 1,301 | 55 | 4.2 | 1300 | 75 | 5.8 | 1357 | 113 | 8.3 |
| 295 | Charter Sch of Wilm | 552 | 0 | 0.0 | | | | 798 | 0 | | 890 | 2 | 0.2 |
| 390 | Christiana HS | 1639 | 77 | 4.7 | 1,574 | 51 | 3.2 | 1484 | 67 | 4.5 | 1413 | 80 | 5.7 |
| 392 | Glasgow HS | 1635 | 170 | 10.4 | 1,499 | 111 | 7.4 | 1365 | 79 | 5.8 | 1341 | 172 | 12.8 |
| 394 | Newark HS | 1461 | 53 | 3.6 | 1,575 | 54 | 3.4 | 1706 | 97 | 5.7 | 1804 | 205 | 11.4 |
| 490 | William Penn HS | 2210 | 114 | 5.2 | 2,226 | 145 | 6.5 | 2267 | 167 | 7.4 | 2272 | 309 | 13.6 |
| Kent County | | 6,799 | 253 | 3.7 | 6,976 | 334 | 4.8 | 7,094 | 239 | 3.4 | 7,212 | 274 | 3.8 |
| 570 | Positive Outcomes | 37 | 2 | 5.4 | 41 | 1 | 2.4 | 49 | 5 | 10.2 | 52 | 4 | 7.7 |
| 626 | Caesar Rodney HS | 1612 | 65 | 4.0 | 1,723 | 94 | 5.5 | 1785 | 13 | 0.7 | 1714 | 36 | 2.1 |
| 648 | Dover HS | 1435 | 65 | 4.5 | 1,419 | 66 | 4.7 | 1497 | 69 | 4.6 | 1592 | 83 | 5.2 |
| 652 | POLYTECH HS | 1025 | 12 | 1.2 | 1,076 | 30 | 2.8 | 1040 | 12 | 1.2 | 1067 | 12 | 1.1 |
| 665 | Lake Forest HS | 832 | 43 | 5.2 | 827 | 51 | 6.2 | 862 | 62 | 7.2 | 872 | 47 | 5.4 |
| 678 | Milford SR HS | 988 | 37 | 3.7 | 1,021 | 42 | 4.1 | 1031 | 40 | 3.9 | 1039 | 60 | 5.8 |
| 688 | Smyrna HS | 907 | 31 | 3.4 | 910 | 51 | 5.6 | 879 | 43 | 4.9 | 928 | 36 | 3.9 |
| Sussex County | | 6,345 | 295 | 4.6 | 6,510 | 273 | 4.2 | 6,640 | 323 | 4.9 | 6,766 | 319 | 4.7 |
| 726 | Cape Henlopen HS | 993 | 54 | 5.4 | 1,054 | 50 | 4.7 | 1096 | 37 | 3.4 | 1137 | 66 | 5.8 |
| 730 | Delmar Sr HS | 452 | 17 | 3.8 | 491 | 18 | 3.7 | 522 | 26 | 5.0 | 542 | 13 | 2.4 |
| 746 | Indian River HS | 723 | 30 | 4.1 | 737 | 22 | 3.0 | 737 | 54 | 7.3 | 747 | 32 | 4.3 |
| 748 | Sussex Central Sr HS | 1076 | 75 | 7.0 | 1,077 | 50 | 4.6 | 1079 | 45 | 4.2 | 1125 | 62 | 5.5 |
| 756 | Laurel Sr HS | 505 | 19 | 3.8 | 531 | 27 | 5.1 | 527 | 13 | 2.5 | 519 | 18 | 3.5 |
| 766 | Seaford SR HS | 1005 | 65 | 6.5 | 1,048 | 42 | 4.0 | 1047 | 94 | 9.0 | 1019 | 46 | 4.5 |
| 770 | Sussex Tech HS | 1171 | 13 | 1.1 | 1,157 | 26 | 2.2 | 1158 | 19 | 1.6 | 1200 | 18 | 1.5 |
| 780 | Woodbridge HS | 420 | 22 | 5.2 | 415 | 38 | 9.2 | 474 | 35 | 7.4 | 477 | 64 | 13.4 |

Note: Special Schools and ILC's are not included in this table. All schools include grades 9 thru 12.

Table 15
Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2001-2002
County by Special-Ed

| County | <u>Number of Enrolled Students</u> | | | <u>Number of Dropouts</u> | | |
|--------------|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Special-Ed | Regular-Ed | All | Special-Ed | Regular-Ed | All |
| New Castle | 2387 | 17722 | 20,109 | 152 | 1330 | 1482 |
| Kent | 973 | 6415 | 7,388 | 37 | 260 | 297 |
| Sussex | 966 | 5958 | 6,924 | 35 | 305 | 340 |
| Total | 4,326 | 30,095 | 34,421 | 224 | 1895 | 2119 |

Table 16
Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2001-2002
County by Special-Ed

| County | <u>Annual Dropout rate</u> | | | <u>Percent of All Dropouts</u> | | |
|--------------|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| | Special-Ed | Regular-Ed | All | Special-Ed | Regular-Ed | All |
| New Castle | 6.4% | 7.5% | 7.4% | 7.2% | 62.8% | 69.9% |
| Kent | 3.8% | 4.1% | 4.0% | 1.7% | 12.3% | 14.0% |
| Sussex | 3.6% | 5.1% | 4.9% | 1.7% | 14.4% | 16.0% |
| Total | 5.2% | 6.3% | 6.2% | 10.6% | 89.4% | 100.0% |

Table 17
Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2001-2002
Race by Special-Ed

| Group | <u>Number of Enrolled Students</u> | | | | <u>Number of Dropouts</u> | | | |
|--------------|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All |
| Special-ED | 1,831 | 218 | 2,277 | 4,326 | 128 | 13 | 83 | 224 |
| Regular-ED | 8,360 | 1,379 | 20,356 | 30,095 | 779 | 171 | 945 | 1895 |
| Total | 10,191 | 1,597 | 22,633 | 34,421 | 907 | 184 | 1028 | 2119 |

Table 18
Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2001-2002
Race by Special-Ed

| Group | <u>Annual Dropout Rate</u> | | | | <u>Percent of All Dropouts</u> | | | |
|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All |
| Special-ED | 7.0% | 6.0% | 3.6% | 5.2% | 6.0% | 0.6% | 3.9% | 10.6% |
| Regular-ED | 9.3% | 12.4% | 4.6% | 6.3% | 36.8% | 8.1% | 44.6% | 89.4% |
| Total | 8.9% | 11.5% | 4.5% | 6.2% | 42.8% | 8.7% | 48.5% | 100.0% |

Table 19
Delaware Dropout Rates Annual Trend
1979-80 Through 2001-2002

| 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 | 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 | 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 |

Table 20
Comparison of Delaware Special Education Enrollments and Dropouts by Race 1999-2002

| Year | Race | Black | Hispanic | White/Other | All |
|-------------|-------------------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------|
| 1999-2000 | Enrolled | 1,489 | 162 | 1,963 | 3,614 |
| | Dropouts | 105 | 11 | 118 | 234 |
| | Annual Dropout Rate | 7.10% | 6.80% | 6.00% | 6.50% |
| | Percent of All Dropouts | 7.40% | 0.80% | 8.40% | 16.60% |
| 2000-2001 | Enrolled | 1,615 | 173 | 2,144 | 3,932 |
| | Dropouts | 76 | 13 | 113 | 202 |
| | Annual Dropout Rate | 4.70% | 7.50% | 5.30% | 5.10% |
| | Percent of All Dropouts | 5.40% | 0.90% | 8% | 14.20% |
| 2001-2002 | Enrolled | 1,831 | 218 | 2,277 | 4,326 |
| | Dropouts | 128 | 13 | 83 | 224 |
| | Annual Dropout Rate | 7.00% | 6.00% | 3.60% | 5.20% |
| | Percent of All Dropouts | 6.00% | 0.60% | 3.90% | 10.60% |

Table 21
Special Education Dropouts by Exceptionality

| CODE | HIGH SCHOOLS | 100EMD | 200SED | 300LD | 400TMD | 600PI ADHD/Motor | 700Hearing | 900Partially Sighted | Total |
|--------------------------|----------------------|--------|--------|-------|--------|---------------------|------------|-------------------------|-------|
| New Castle County | | | | | | | | | |
| 18 | Middletown HS | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| 26 | Howard Career Ctr | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 66 | Paul M. Hodgson | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 80 | Delcastle Tech HS | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| 190 | Brandywine HS | 2 | 3 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 |
| 194 | Concord HS | 2 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| 196 | Mt Pleasant HS | 1 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 10 |
| 286 | Calloway Arts Sch | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 290 | John Dickinson HS | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 292 | A. I. duPont HS | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| 294 | Thomas McKean HS | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 295 | Charter Sch of Wilm | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 390 | Christiana HS | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| 392 | Glasgow HS | 1 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| 394 | Newark HS | 2 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 11 |
| 490 | William Penn HS | 4 | 3 | 24 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 33 |
| Kent County | | | | | | | | | |
| 570 | Positive Outcomes | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 626 | Caesar Rodney HS | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| 648 | Dover HS | 0 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| 652 | POLYTECH HS | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 665 | Lake Forest HS | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| 678 | Milford SR HS | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| 688 | Smyrna HS | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Sussex County | | | | | | | | | |
| 726 | Cape Henlopen HS | 1 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| 730 | Delmar Sr HS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 746 | Indian River HS | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| 748 | Sussex Central Sr HS | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| 756 | Laurel Sr HS | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 766 | Seaford SR HS | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| 770 | Sussex Tech HS | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 780 | Woodbridge HS | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |

*Exceptionalities not listed have no "N" in the schools listed.

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