



2014-2015 Delaware Dropout Summary Statistics

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Executive Summary

The Delaware Department of Education (DDOE) report on 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 reporting system. In accordance with NCES requirements, Delaware uses the *event dropout rate*, which measures the proportion of students who drop out in a single school year. This is the rate the State has reported since 1994. See Appendix A for additional details about the dropout calculation.

This report does not contain data reflecting private, parochial, or home school students in Delaware. The State does gather information from families that home school their children as well as from private schools, but only does so to verify the transfer of a student from public to private and home schools.

Highlights

- Last year, out of 39,650 students enrolled in grades 9-12, 868 students left school.
- The statewide annual dropout rate for school year 2014-2015 was 2.2%. This is a slight increase from school year 2013-2014 when the dropout rate was 2.1%.
- Of the 868 dropouts, 58.5% were male and 41.5% were female.
- During the 2014-2015 school year, 2.8% of African American, 3.2% of Hispanic and 1.6% of White/Other students dropped out.
- The largest number of dropouts were from students enrolled in the 9th grade (317 students or 36.5%). Students enrolled in 12th grade represented the lowest proportion of students who dropped out (140 students or 16.1%).
- Academic, personal and economic reasons were cited by students as the reasons they dropped out.

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Table 1
Delaware Dropouts, 2014-2015
Summary Statistics
Grades 9-12

(N =817)

	Annual Dropout Rate (%)	Percent of All Dropouts (%)
TOTAL	2.19	100
SEX		
Male	2.6	58.5
Female	1.8	41.5
RACE / ETHNICITY		
American Indian	4.0	0.7
African American	2.8	41.2
Asian	0.3	0.5
Hispanic	3.2	18.2
White	1.7	37.6
AGE		
Less than 15	0.5	5.6
Age 15	0.9	10.3
Age 16	2.0	22.4
Age 17 and over	5.6	61.8

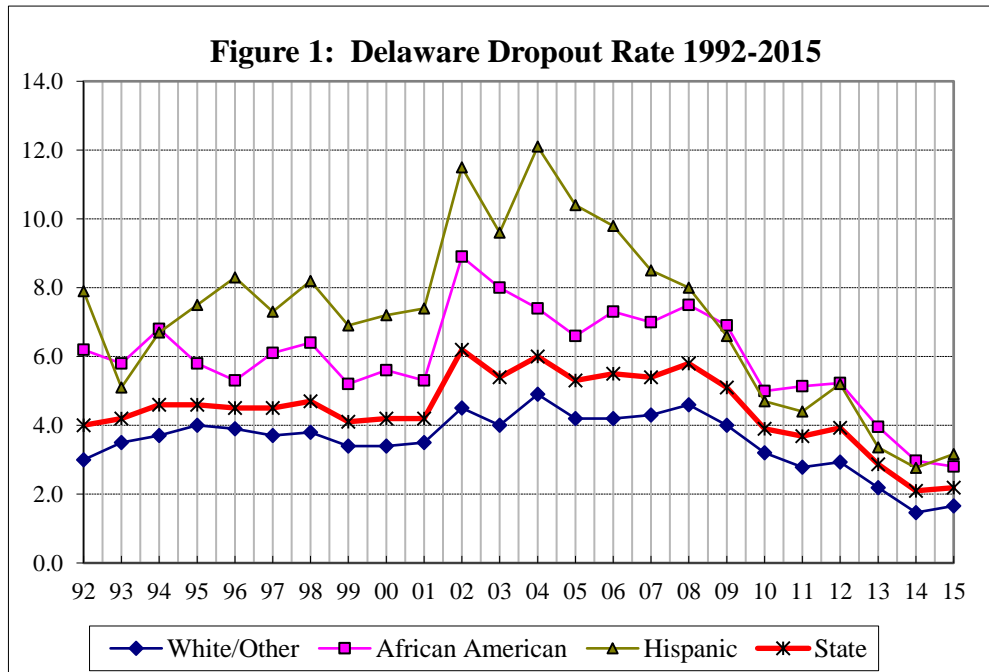


Table 2
Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2014-2015
Grade by Race

Grade	<u>Number of Enrolled Students</u>				<u>Number of Dropouts</u>			
	African American	Hispanic	White/Other	All	African American	Hispanic	White/Other	All
9	4,048	1,653	6,057	11,758	143	71	103	317
10	3,235	1,347	5,643	10,225	95	47	89	231
11	2,788	1,021	5,132	8,941	63	20	97	180
12	2,702	965	5,059	8,726	57	20	63	140
Total	12,773	4,986	21,891	39,650	358	158	352	868

Table 3
Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2014-2015
Grade by Race

Grade	<u>Annual Dropout Rate</u>				<u>Percent of All Dropouts</u>			
	African American	Hispanic	White/Other	All	African American	Hispanic	White/Other	All
Grade 9	3.5%	4.3%	1.7%	2.7%	16.5%	8.2%	11.9%	36.5%
Grade 10	2.9%	3.5%	1.6%	2.3%	10.9%	5.4%	10.3%	26.6%
Grade 11	2.3%	2.0%	1.9%	2.0%	7.3%	2.3%	11.2%	20.7%
Grade 12	2.1%	2.1%	1.2%	1.6%	6.6%	2.3%	7.3%	16.1%
Total	2.8%	3.2%	1.6%	2.2%	41.2%	18.2%	40.6%	100.0%

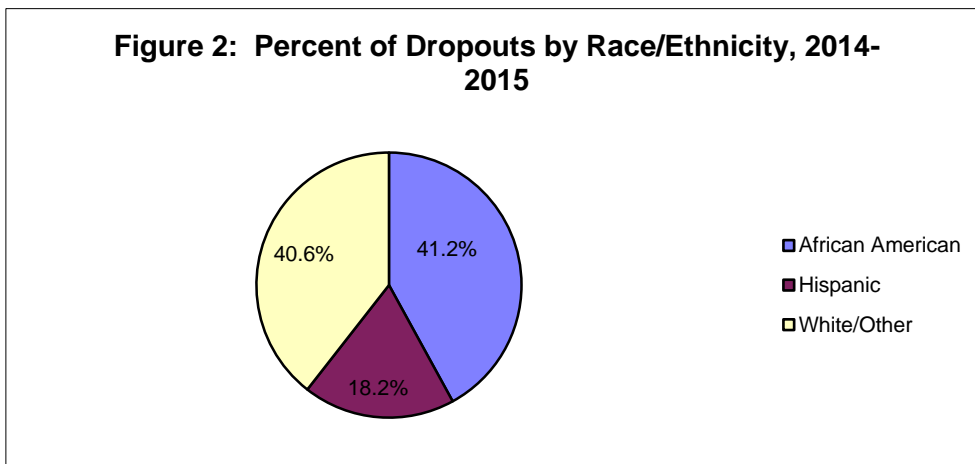


Table 4
Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2014-2015
Gender by Race (Grades 9-12)

Gender	<u>Number of Enrolled Students</u>				<u>Number of Dropouts</u>			
	African American	Hispanic	White/Other	All	African American	Hispanic	White/Other	All
Male	6,487	2,498	11,267	20,252	200	105	203	508
Female	6,286	2,488	10,624	19,398	158	53	149	360
Total	12,773	4,986	21,891	39,650	358	158	352	868

Table 5
Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2014-2015
Gender by Race (Grades 9-12)

Gender	<u>Annual Dropout Rate</u>				<u>Percent of All Dropouts</u>			
	African American	Hispanic	White/Other	All	African American	Hispanic	White/Other	All
Male	3.1%	4.2%	1.8%	2.5%	23.0%	12.1%	23.4%	58.5%
Female	2.5%	2.1%	1.4%	1.9%	18.2%	6.1%	17.2%	41.5%
Total	2.8%	3.2%	1.6%	2.2%	41.2%	18.2%	40.6%	100.0%

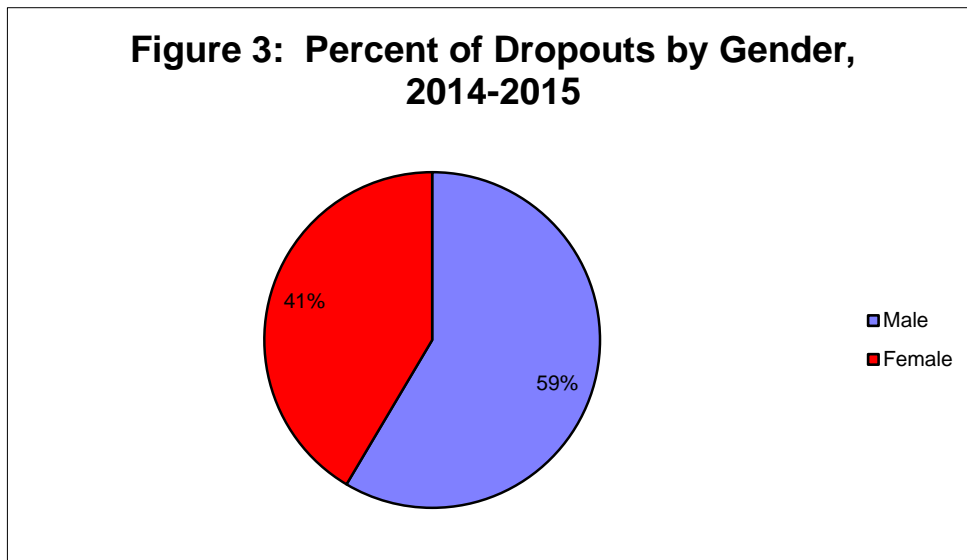


Figure 4: Percent of All Dropouts by Grade, 2014-2015

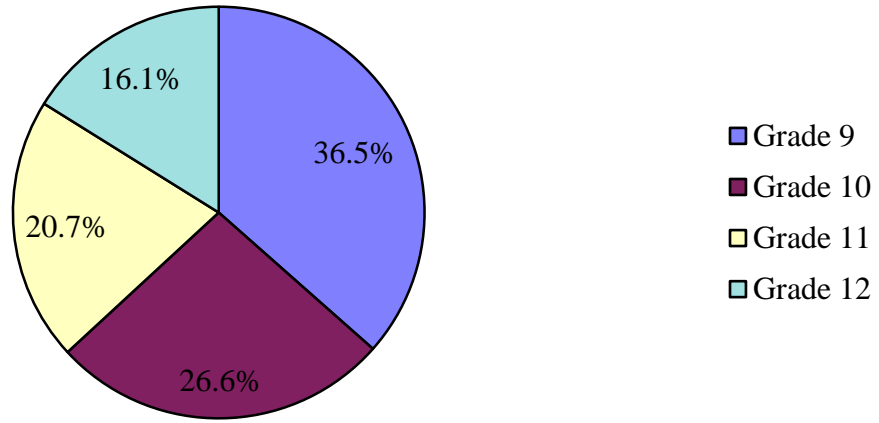


Figure 5: Dropout Rate by Gender by Race, 2014-2015

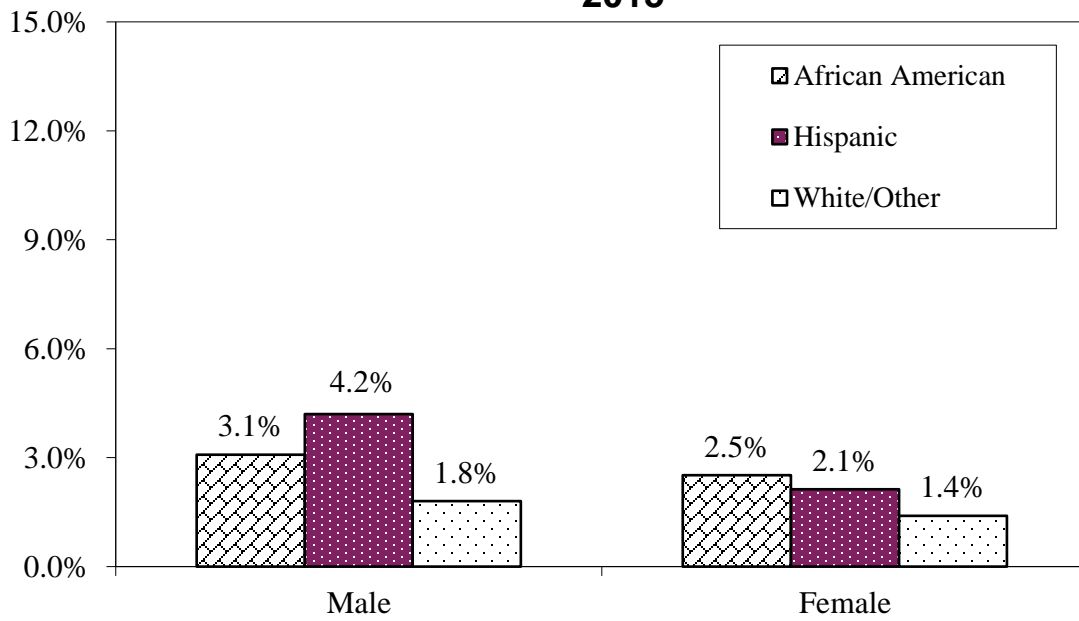


Table 6
Reasons for Dropping Out, 2014-2015
Grades 9-12

	Number	Percent
School-Related Academic, Behavior, Dislike experience, Curriculum, Substance Abuse	120	13.8%
Economic-Related Economic and Employment	103	11.9%
Personal Pregnancy, Marriage, Child care, Language, Religion Needed at home, Military, Transportation	13	1.5%
School/District Did Not Report Data	632	72.8%
Total	868	100%

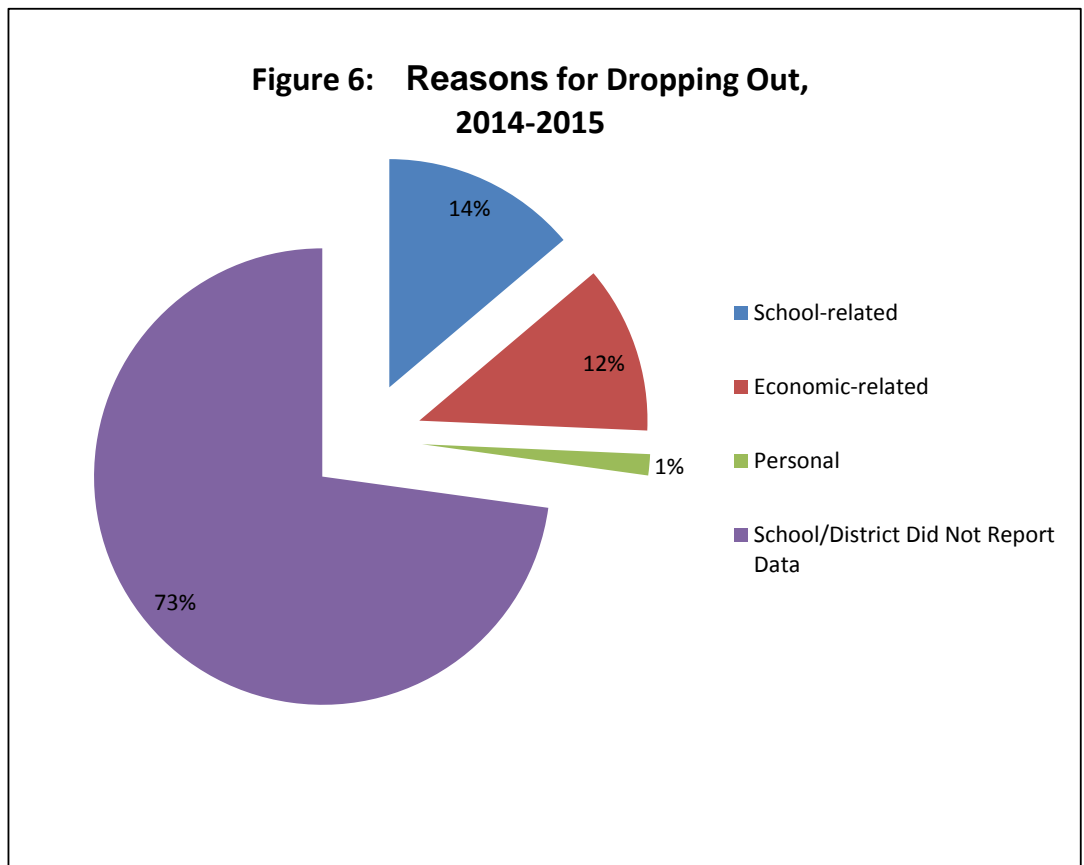


Table 7
Delaware Dropouts, 2014-2015
Grades 7-8

	Grade 7			Grade 8		
	No. of Dropouts	Students Enrolled	Rate	No. of Dropouts	Students Enrolled	Rate
Kent	51	2,362	2.2%	55	2,371	2.3%
New Castle	108	5,743	1.9%	92	5,640	1.6%
Sussex	20	2,080	1.0%	29	2,061	1.4%
State	179	10,185	1.8%	176	10,072	1.7%

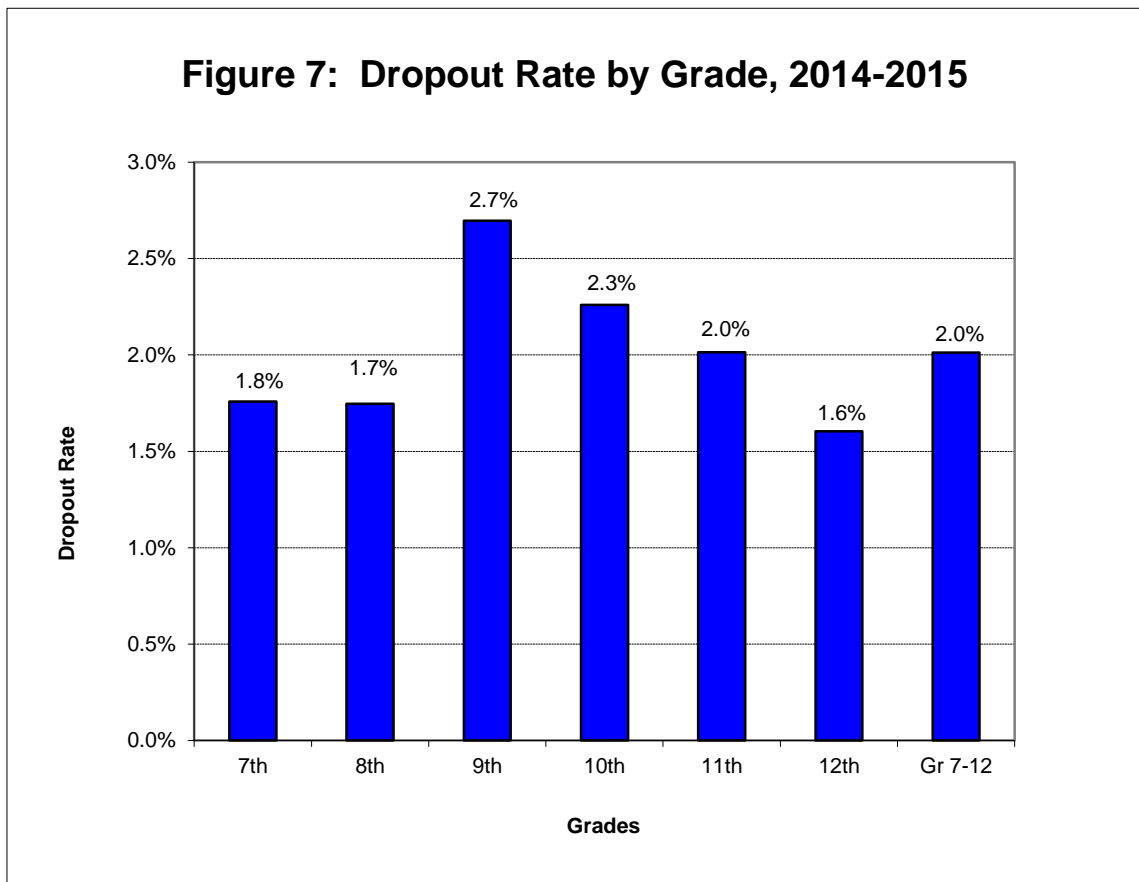


Table 8

**Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2014-2015
County by Race (Grades 9-12)**

County	<u>Number of Enrolled Students</u>				<u>Number of Dropouts</u>			
	African America	Hispanic	White/Other	All	African America	Hispanic	White/Other	All
Kent	2,935	690	5,245	8,870	70	13	100	183
New Castle	8,304	3,126	11,579	23,009	250	89	177	516
Sussex	1,534	1,170	5,067	7,771	38	56	75	169
State	12,773	4,986	21,891	39,650	358	158	352	868

Table 9

**Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2014-2015
County by Race (Grades 9-12)**

County	<u>Annual Dropout Rate</u>				<u>Percent of All Dropouts</u>			
	African America	Hispanic	White/Other	All	African America	Hispanic	White/Other	All
Kent	2.4%	1.9%	1.9%	2.1%	8.1%	1.5%	11.5%	21.1%
New Castle	3.0%	2.8%	1.5%	2.2%	28.8%	10.3%	20.4%	59.4%
Sussex	2.5%	4.8%	1.5%	2.2%	4.4%	6.5%	8.6%	19.5%
State	2.8%	3.2%	1.6%	2.2%	41.2%	18.2%	40.6%	100.0%

Figure 8: Percent of All Dropouts by County, 2014-2015

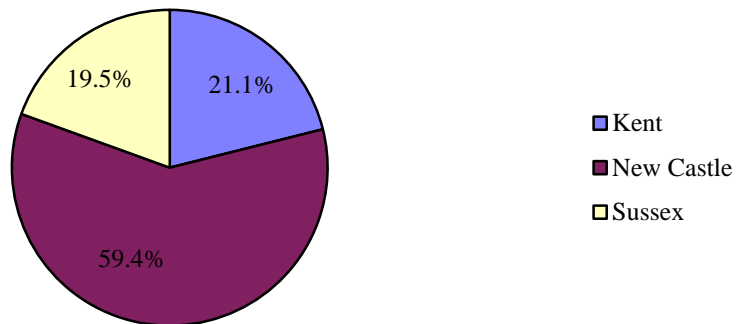
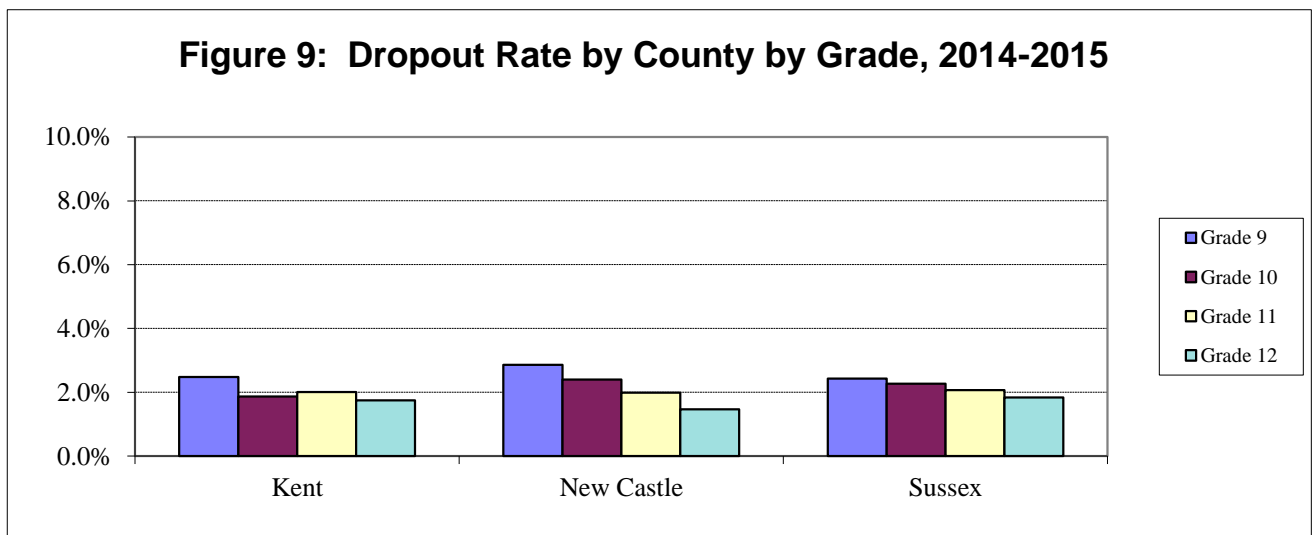


Table 10
Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2014-2015
County by Grade

County	Number of Enrolled Students					Number of Dropouts				
	9	10	11	12	All	9	10	11	12	All
Kent	2,696	2,144	2,086	1,944	8,870	67	40	42	34	183
New Castle	6,843	6,052	5,068	5,046	23,009	196	145	101	74	516
Sussex	2,219	2,029	1,787	1,736	7,771	54	46	37	32	169
State	11,758	10,225	8,941	8,726	39,650	317	231	180	140	868

Table 11
Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2014-2015
County by Grade

County	Annual Dropout rate					Percent of All Dropouts				
	9	10	11	12	All	9	10	11	12	All
Kent	2.5%	1.9%	2.0%	1.7%	2.1%	7.7%	4.6%	4.8%	3.9%	21.1%
New Castle	2.9%	2.4%	2.0%	1.5%	2.2%	22.6%	16.7%	11.6%	8.5%	59.4%
Sussex	2.4%	2.3%	2.1%	1.8%	2.2%	6.2%	5.3%	4.3%	3.7%	19.5%
State	2.7%	2.3%	2.0%	1.6%	2.2%	36.5%	26.6%	20.7%	16.1%	100%



**Table 12
Annual Dropout Rates By District
Grades 9-12**

CODE	DISTRICT/CHARTER	2012-2013			2013-2014			2014-2015			2013-2015
		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		22,558	674	3.0	22,764	515	2.3	23,138	529	2.3	2.5%
29	Appoquinimink	2,786	19	0.7	2,894	22	0.8	2,913	24	0.8	0.8%
31	Brandywine	3,165	122	3.9	3,036	79	2.6	3,112	81	2.6	3.0%
33	Christina	3,760	229	6.1	3,789	127	3.4	3,626	143	3.9	4.5%
34	Colonial	2,180	94	4.3	2,308	93	4.0	2,297	90	3.9	4.1%
68	DE Academy of Public Safety	192	2	1.0	330	17	5.2	363	30	8.3	5.5%
75	M.J. Moyer Academy	85	23	27.1	131	16	12.2	138	34	24.6	20.6%
38	NCC Voc Tech	4,487	25	0.6	4,548	24	0.5	4,629	19	0.4	0.5%
32	Red Clay	5,492	142	2.6	5,567	111	2.0	5,444	92	1.7	2.1%
Kent County		8,653	253	2.9	8,664	159	1.8	8,741	170	1.9	2.2%
10	Caesar Rodney	2,168	96	4.4	2,123	29	1.4	2,092	40	1.9	2.6%
13	Capital	1,759	43	2.4	1,844	49	2.7	1,948	50	2.6	2.6%
15	Lake Forest	905	21	2.3	890	22	2.5	934	16	1.7	2.2%
18	Milford	1,134	36	3.2	1,064	27	2.5	1,043	23	2.2	2.7%
39	Polytech	1,183	2	0.2	1,206	1	0.1	1,192	13	1.1	0.4%
71	Positive Outcomes	87	13	14.9	85	1	1.2	98	5	5.1	7.0%
24	Smyrna	1,387	34	2.5	1,452	28	1.9	1,434	23	1.6	2.0%
Sussex County		7,402	179	2.4	7,521	143	1.9	7,771	169	2.2	2.2%
17	Cape Henlopen	1,340	28	2.1	1,361	13	1.0	1,389	12	0.9	1.3%
37	Delmar	622	4	0.6	634	5	0.8	639	8	1.3	0.9%
36	Indian River	2,241	49	2.2	2,211	46	2.1	2,252	82	3.6	2.6%
16	Laurel	469	24	5.1	491	25	5.1	508	21	4.1	4.8%
23	Seaford	740	37	5.0	711	39	5.5	719	20	2.8	4.4%
40	Sussex Tech	1,409	3	0.2	1,491	2	0.1	1,545	8	0.5	0.3%
35	Woodbridge	581	34	5.9	570	12	2.1	606	13	2.1	3.4%
STATE		38,613	1,106	2.9	38,949	817	2.1	39,650	868	2.2	2.4%

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.

Figure 10: Dropout Rate by District/Charter

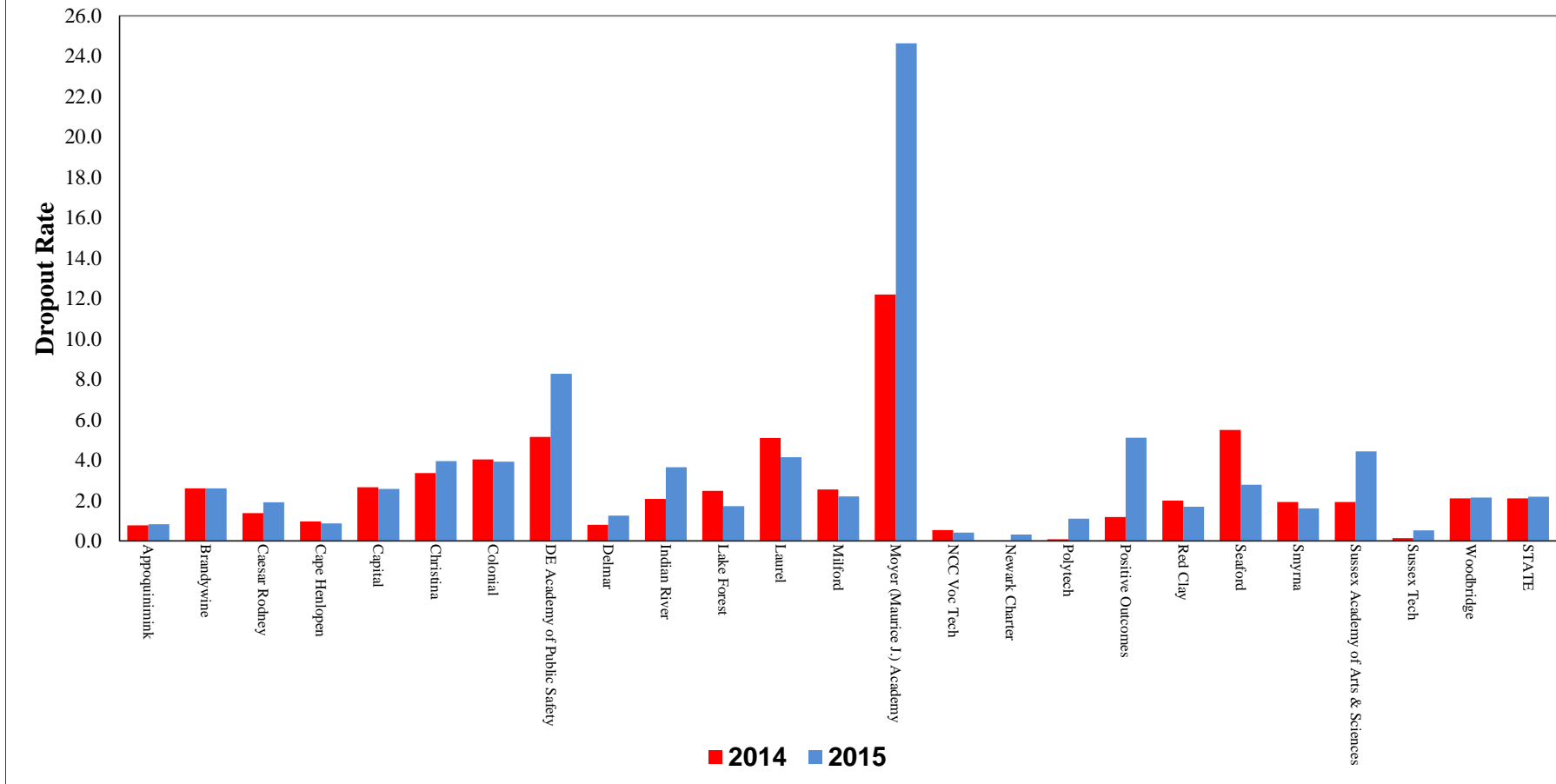


Table 13. Grades 9-12 Annual Dropout Rates by School

CODE	HIGH SCHOOLS	2012-2013			2013-2014			2014-2015		
		TOTAL ENROLLMENT	TOTAL DROPOUTS	DROPOUT RATE	TOTAL ENROLLMENT	TOTAL DROPOUTS	DROPOUT RATE	TOTAL ENROLLMENT	TOTAL DROPOUTS	DROPOUT RATE
New Castle County		21,778	593	2.7	21,950	454	2.1	22,521	457	2.0
18	Middletown HS	1,222	12	1.0	1,281	11	0.9	1,361	12	0.9
24	Appoquinimink HS	1,513	7	0.5	1,539	11	0.7	1,552	12	0.8
26	Howard Tech HS	851	11	1.3	899	6	0.7	940	11	1.2
44	St Georges Tech HS	1,037	0	0.0	1,022	0	0.0	1,043	0	0.0
66	Paul M. Hodgson	1,057	4	0.4	1,048	7	0.7	1,058	5	0.5
80	Delcastle Tech HS	1,481	10	0.7	1,519	11	0.7	1,588	3	0.2
190	Brandywine HS	989	46	4.7	905	45	5.0	906	26	2.9
194	Concord HS	1,217	37	3.0	1,099	20	1.8	1,086	20	1.8
196	Mt Pleasant HS	959	39	4.1	1,032	14	1.4	1,120	35	3.1
284	Conrad School of Science	586	2	0.3	638	1	0.2	670	0	0.0
286	Cab Callaway School of Arts	470	1	0.2	488	0	0.0	499	0	0.0
290	John Dickinson HS	726	54	7.4	765	33	4.3	702	40	5.7
292	A. I. duPont HS	1,172	37	3.2	1,110	37	3.3	1,108	17	1.5
294	Thomas McKean HS	864	28	3.2	873	26	3.0	796	24	3.0
295	Charter Sch of Wilm	970	8	0.8	970	5	0.5	972	2	0.2
390	Christiana HS	836	63	7.5	839	29	3.5	843	48	5.7
392	Glasgow HS	981	53	5.4	997	30	3.0	992	26	2.6
394	Newark HS	1,530	62	4.1	1,549	30	1.9	1,555	46	3.0
490	William Penn HS	2,073	71	3.4	2,187	79	3.6	2,173	58	2.7
574	M.J. Moyer Academy	85	23	27.1	131	16	12.2	138	34	24.6
567	Delaware Acad of Public Safety	192	2	1.0	330	17	5.2	363	30	8.3
578	Delaware Mil. Acad.	556	5	0.9	568	1	0.2	569	5	0.9
587	MOT Charter School	---	---	---	---	---	---	166	2	1.2
588	Newark Charter	---	---	---	161	0	0.0	321	1	0.3
Kent County		8,129	226	2.8	8,415	131	1.6	8,707	169	1.9
570	Positive Outcomes	87	13	14.9	85	1	1.2	98	5	5.1
626	Caesar Rodney HS	2,081	92	4.4	2,037	28	1.4	2,011	37	1.8
648	Dover HS	1,619	26	1.6	1,696	26	1.5	1,866	39	2.1
4040	ECHS at DSU	---	---	---	---	---	---	129	13	10.1
652	Polytech HS	1,183	2	0.2	1,206	1	0.1	1,192	13	1.1
665	Lake Forest HS	896	20	2.2	890	19	2.1	934	16	1.7
678	Milford SR HS	846	31	3.7	1,049	26	2.5	1,043	23	2.2
688	Smyrna HS	1,387	34	2.5	1,452	28	1.9	1,434	23	1.6
Sussex County		7,178	167	2.3	7,334	135	1.8	7,650	154	2.0
576	Sussex Academy	---	---	---	52	1	1.9	113	5	4.4
726	Cape Henlopen HS	1,264	27	2.1	1,283	10	0.8	1,351	9	0.7
730	Delmar Sr HS	615	4	0.7	624	5	0.8	639	8	1.3
746	Indian River HS	897	13	1.4	910	15	1.6	859	6	0.7
748	Sussex Central Sr HS	1,249	27	2.2	1,228	27	2.2	1,316	65	4.9
756	Laurel Sr HS	455	22	4.8	479	24	5.0	502	20	4.0
766	Seaford Sr HS	708	37	5.2	697	39	5.6	719	20	2.8
770	Sussex Tech HS	1,409	3	0.2	1,491	2	0.1	1,545	8	0.5
780	Woodbridge HS	581	34	5.9	570	12	2.1	606	13	2.1

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

Table 14

**Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2014-2015
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	1,328	7,542	8,870	36	147	183
New Castle	3,047	19,962	23,009	119	397	516
Sussex	1,217	6,554	7,771	38	131	169
Total	5,592	34,058	39,650	193	675	868

Table 15

**Dropout Rate and Percent of All Dropouts, 2014-2015
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	2.7%	1.9%	2.1%	4.1%	16.9%	21.1%
Kent	3.9%	2.0%	2.2%	13.7%	45.7%	59.4%
Sussex	3.1%	2.0%	2.2%	4.4%	15.1%	19.5%
Total	3.5%	2.0%	2.2%	22.2%	77.8%	100.0%

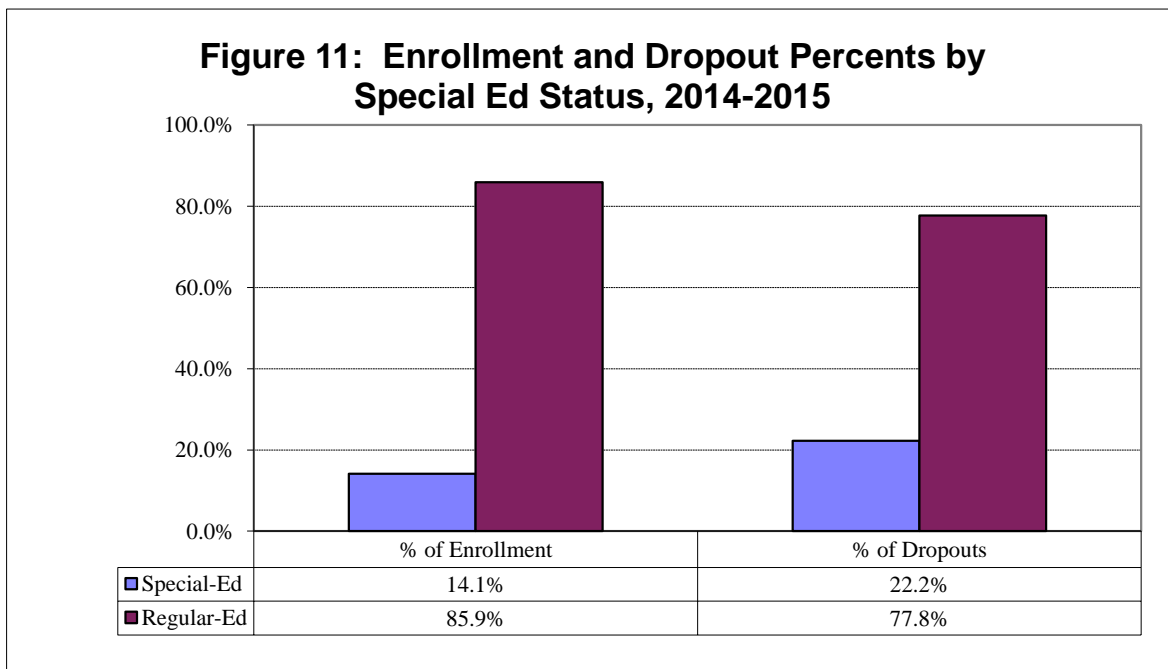


Table 16
Delaware Dropouts and Student Enrollments, 2014-2015
Race by Special-Ed (Grades 9-12)

Group	<u>Number of Enrolled Students</u>				<u>Number of Dropouts</u>			
	African American	Hispanic	White/Other	All	African American	Hispanic	White/Other	All
Special-ED	2,397	660	2,535	5,592	92	23	78	193
Regular-ED	10,376	4,326	19,356	34,058	266	135	274	675
Total	12,773	4,986	21,891	39,650	358	158	352	868

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Race by Special-Ed (Grades 9-12)

Group	<u>Annual Dropout Rate</u>				<u>Percent of All Dropouts</u>			
	African American	Hispanic	White/Other	All	African American	Hispanic	White/Other	All
Special-ED	3.8%	3.5%	3.1%	3.5%	10.6%	2.6%	9.0%	22.2%
Regular-ED	2.6%	3.1%	1.4%	2.0%	30.6%	15.6%	31.6%	77.8%
Total	2.8%	3.2%	1.6%	2.2%	41.2%	18.2%	40.6%	100.0%

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

Year		African American	Hispanic	White/Other	All
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	350
	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%
2012	Enrolled	2149	521	2589	5259
	Dropouts	157	25	127	309
	Annual Dropout Rate	7.3%	4.8%	4.9%	5.9%
	Percent of All Dropouts	10.3%	1.6%	8.3%	20.2%
2013	Enrolled	2,292	575	2,496	5,363
	Dropouts	144	26	105	275
	Annual Dropout Rate	6.3%	4.5%	4.2%	5.1%
	Percent of All Dropouts	13.0%	2.4%	9.5%	24.9%
2014	Enrolled	2,265	616	2,474	5,355
	Dropouts	84	20	83	187
	Annual Dropout Rate	3.7%	3.2%	3.4%	3.5%
	Percent of All Dropouts	10.3%	2.4%	10.2%	22.9%
2015	Enrolled	2,397	660	2,535	5,592
	Dropouts	92	23	78	193
	Annual Dropout Rate	3.8%	3.5%	3.1%	3.5%
	Percent of All Dropouts	10.6%	2.6%	9.0%	22.2%

Table 19
Annual Delaware Dropout Rates, Grades 9-12

Year	White/Other	African American	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
2011-12	2.9	5.2	5.2	3.9
2012-13	2.2	4.0	3.4	2.9
2013-14	1.5	3.0	2.8	2.1
2014-15	1.7	2.8	3.2	2.2

Table 20. Special Education Grade 9-12 Dropouts by School

CODE HIGH SCHOOLS	2012-2013		2013-2014		2014-2015		2013-2015
	SPECIAL ED ENROLLMENT	SPECIAL ED DROPOUTS	SPECIAL ED ENROLLMENT	SPECIAL ED DROPOUTS	SPECIAL ED ENROLLMENT	SPECIAL ED DROPOUTS	3-Yr Average Dropout Rate*
Delaware Public Schools	5,326	250	5,355	184	5,592	182	3.8%
New Castle County	2,888	153	2,923	89	3,112	90	3.7%
18 Middletown HS	117	2	105	4	147	4	2.7%
24 Appoquinimink HS	83	2	89	2	138	2	1.9%
26 HowardTech HS	79	2	84	2	92	2	2.4%
44 St. Georges Tech HS	131	0	130	0	130	0	0.0%
66 Paul M. Hodgson	127	1	116	2	126	2	1.4%
80 Delcastle Tech HS	148	4	167	1	228	1	1.1%
190 Brandywine HS	110	15	110	11	126	11	10.7%
194 Concord HS	103	7	80	4	79	4	5.7%
196 Mt Pleasant HS	129	12	130	3	126	3	4.7%
290 John Dickinson HS	117	9	134	5	136	5	4.9%
292 A. I. duPont HS	134	6	132	7	162	7	4.7%
294 Thomas McKean HS	161	6	176	7	162	7	4.0%
390 Christiana HS	100	17	91	5	189	5	7.1%
392 Glasgow HS	93	12	95	3	174	3	5.0%
394 Newark HS	124	15	134	5	215	5	5.3%
490 William Penn HS	272	13	282	7	329	7	3.1%
522 The Wallace Wallin School	52	11	50	3	53	3	11.0%
527 Central School (PACE)	91	5	90	8	53	8	9.0%
Kent County	1,344	63	1,314	55	1,263	52	4.3%
626 Caesar Rodney HS	251	13	219	8	226	8	4.2%
630 John S. Charlton School	87	4	84	1	81	1	2.4%
648 Dover HS	230	5	224	6	301	6	2.3%
652 Polytech HS	105	1	112	0	108	0	0.3%
655 Kent County Alternative Programs	58	15	70	21	57	21	30.8%
665 Lake Forest HS	119	3	119	4	127	4	3.0%
678 Milford SR HS	106	6	118	5	137	5	4.4%
688 Smyrna HS	192	8	215	7	199	7	3.6%
Sussex County	1,094	34	1,118	40	1,217	40	3.3%
726 Cape Henlopen HS	189	7	193	5	251	5	2.7%
728 Sussex Consortium	76	1	78	3	38	3	3.6%
730 Delmar Sr HS	53	0	56	2	64	2	2.3%
746 Indian River HS	123	2	128	5	143	5	3.0%
748 Sussex Central Sr HS	180	2	174	1	182	1	0.7%
756 Laurel Sr HS	75	6	82	5	106	5	6.1%
766 Seaford SR HS	75	5	93	8	127	8	7.1%
770 Sussex Tech HS	117	3	115	0	106	0	0.9%
780 Woodbridge HS	95	6	88	6	110	6	6.1%

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

Appendix A

Criteria for being identified as a dropout:

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 identified as a dropout:

1. A student who remains enrolled in a public school in the State.
2. 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.
3. A student who transfers to another public or private school should not be reported as a dropout. Documentation of transfer needs to be preserved.
4. A student who moves out of state should not be reported as a dropout. Documentation of the move needs to be preserved.
5. A students who dies should not be reported as a dropout.
6. A school leaver who is in a correctional institution or other state agency placement should not be counted as a dropout.
7. 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.

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