



Indiana Department of Education

Dr. Katie Jenner, Secretary of Education

To: Indiana State Board of Education
 From: Dr. Nancy Holsapple, Director of Special Education
 Date: June 28, 2024
 Re: Special Education Child Count

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

This memo provides the count of students by primary disability. The first table lists the unduplicated special education Adjusted Pupil Count (APC) taken from special education data collections reported as of April 1, 2024. The second table lists the Preschool Count taken from the data collections reported as of April 1, 2024. Both tables provide comparisons to the totals between this year's counts and the counts taken as of April 1, 2023. The intervening December 1, 2023 count is provided for reference.

ADJUSTED PUPIL COUNT COMPARISONS (APRIL 1, 2023 AND APRIL 1, 2024) SOURCE: DOE-SE AND DOE-SV AND ESA PROGRAM ROSTER AGES 5B-22 UNDULICATED STATE TOTALS BY DISABILITY				
Primary Exceptionality Category	4-1-23 Count	12-1-23 Count	4-1-24 Count	Increase/Decrease April to April
Multiple Disability	1,808	1,787	1,802	-6
Orthopedic Impairment	1,149	1,137	1,138	-11
Blind or Low Vision	943	910	925	-18
Deaf or Hard of Hearing	2,278	2,285	2,289	11
Emotional Disability – Full Time	6,117	6,139	6,264	147
Emotional Disability – All Other	5,371	5,171	5,256	-115
Specific Learning Disability	54,501	53,512	54,952	451
Developmental Delay (Ages 5B-8)	10,050	11,612	11,051	1,001
Language/Speech Impairment	33,102	34,363	33,243	141
Mild Intellectual Disability	9,168	9,120	9,336	168
Moderate Intellectual Disability	3,098	3,026	3,105	7
Severe Intellectual Disability	244	219	223	-21
Deaf-Blind	36	37	34	-2
Autism Spectrum Disorder	18,430	19,335	19,895	1,465
Traumatic Brain Injury	404	377	391	-13
Other Health Impairment	30,818	31,285	32,348	1,530
Total Unduplicated Count	177,517	180,315	182,252	4,735 (+2.67%)

PRESCHOOL CHILD COUNT COMPARISONS (APRIL 1, 2023 AND APRIL 1, 2024)

SOURCE: DOE-SE

AGES 3-5A

UNDUPLICATED TOTALS BY DISABILITY

Primary Exceptionality Category	4-1-23 Count	12-1-23 Count	4-1-24 Count	Increase/Decrease April to April
Multiple Disability	85	75	93	8
Orthopedic Impairment	137	116	134	-3
Blind or Low Vision	71	60	68	-3
Deaf or Hard of Hearing	217	227	254	37
Emotional Disability – Full Time	3	0	2	-1
Emotional Disability – All Other	2	1	1	-1
Specific Learning Disability	8	3	2	-6
Developmental Delay	6,917	6,327	7,418	501
Language/Speech Impairment	7,523	6,308	7,509	-14
Mild Intellectual Disability	25	19	31	6
Moderate Intellectual Disability	21	11	20	-1
Severe Intellectual Disability	3	0	0	-3
Deaf-Blind	4	1	1	-3
Autism Spectrum Disorder	1122	1,091	1,432	310
Traumatic Brain Injury	13	15	15	2
Other Health Impairment	337	300	368	31
Total Unduplicated Count	16,488	14,554	17,348	860 (+5.22%)