



MEMORANDUM

To: Indiana State Board of Education  
 From: Dr. Pamela Wright, Director of Special Education  
 Date: January 25, 2018  
 Re: Special Education Child Count

Indiana Code 20-43-4-4 provides that the State Board shall monitor changes that occur in the number of students enrolled in programs for students with disabilities. The State Superintendent shall certify the December special education child count to the State Budget Committee no later than February 5.

This memo provides this information in the tables below. The first table lists the unduplicated special education child count taken from the DOE-SE and DOE-SV data reported on December 1, 2017. The second table lists the preschool child count taken from the DOE-SE reported on December 1, 2017. Both tables provide comparisons to the totals between this year's counts and the counts taken on December 1, 2016.

| <b>CHILD COUNT COMPARISONS (DECEMBER 1, 2016 AND DECEMBER 1, 2017)</b> |                      |                      |                          |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>SOURCE: DOE-SE AND DOE-SV</b>                                       |                      |                      |                          |
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| <b>UNDULICATED STATE TOTALS BY DISABILITY</b>                          |                      |                      |                          |
| <b>Primary Exceptionality Category</b>                                 | <b>12-1-16 Count</b> | <b>12-1-17 Count</b> | <b>Increase/Decrease</b> |
| Multiple Disability  | 2,092                | 2,055                | -37                      |
| Orthopedic Impairment  | 1,463                | 1,431                | -32                      |
| Blind or Low Vision  | 944                  | 927                  | -17                      |
| Deaf or Hard of Hearing  | 2,224                | 2,277                | 53                       |
| Emotional Disability – Full Time                                       | 6,487                | 6,595                | 108                      |
| Emotional Disability - All Other                                       | 6,318                | 6,334                | 16                       |
| Specific Learning Disability   | 54,874               | 55,068               | 194                      |
| Language/Speech Impairment   | 34,055               | 34,225               | 170                      |
| Mild Cognitive Disability  | 10,224               | 10,102               | -122                     |
| Moderate Cognitive Disability  | 3,654                | 3,560                | -94                      |
| Severe Cognitive Disability  | 389                  | 381                  | -8                       |
| Deaf Blind   | 28                   | 26                   | -2                       |
| Autism Spectrum Disorder   | 15,210               | 15,721               | 511                      |
| Traumatic Brain Injury   | 469                  | 458                  | -11                      |
| Other Health Impairment  | 22,705               | 24,526               | 1,821                    |
| <b>Total Unduplicated Count</b>  | <b>161,136</b>       | <b>163,686</b>       | <b>2,550 (+1.58%)</b>    |

**PRESCHOOL CHILD COUNT COMPARISONS DECEMBER 1, 2016 AND DECEMBER 1, 2017**

**SOURCE: DOE-SE**

**AGES 3-5A**

**UNDUPLICATED TOTALS BY DISABILITY**

| <b>Primary Exceptionality Category</b> | <b>12-1-16 Count</b> | <b>12-1-17 Count</b> | <b>Increase/Decrease</b> |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Multiple Disability                    | 105                  | 104                  | -1                       |
| Orthopedic Impairment                  | 141                  | 133                  | -8                       |
| Blind or Low Vision                    | 42                   | 43                   | 1                        |
| Deaf or Hard of Hearing                | 183                  | 176                  | -7                       |
| Emotional Disability – Full Time       | 4                    | 4                    | 0                        |
| Emotional Disability - All Other       | 3                    | 2                    | -1                       |
| Specific Learning Disability           | 24                   | 27                   | 3                        |
| Developmental Delay                    | 4,349                | 4,566                | 217                      |
| Language/Speech Impairment             | 6,837                | 6,962                | 125                      |
| Mild Cognitive Disability              | 100                  | 72                   | -28                      |
| Moderate Cognitive Disability          | 31                   | 35                   | 4                        |
| Severe Cognitive Disability            | 7                    | 5                    | -2                       |
| Deaf Blind                             | 2                    | 4                    | 2                        |
| Autism Spectrum Disorder               | 605                  | 635                  | 30                       |
| Traumatic Brain Injury                 | 13                   | 12                   | -1                       |
| Other Health Impairment                | 284                  | 286                  | 2                        |
| <b>Total Preschool Count</b>           | <b>12,730</b>        | <b>13,066</b>        | <b>336 (+2.64%)</b>      |