



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: July 16, 2025
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, 2025. The second table lists the Preschool Count taken from the data collections reported as of April 1, 2025. Both tables provide comparisons to the totals between this year's counts and the counts taken as of April 1, 2024. The intervening December 2, 2024 count is provided for reference.

ADJUSTED PUPIL COUNT COMPARISONS (APRIL 1, 2024 AND APRIL 1, 2025)				
SOURCE: DOE-SE AND DOE-SV AND ESA PROGRAM ROSTER				
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UNDUPLICATED STATE TOTALS BY DISABILITY				
Primary Exceptionality Category	4-1-24 Count	12-2-24 Count	4-1-25 Count	Increase/Decrease April to April
Multiple Disability	1,802	1,784	1,807	5
Orthopedic Impairment	1,138	1,138	1,137	-1
Blind or Low Vision	925	895	909	-16
Deaf or Hard of Hearing	2,289	2,295	2,311	22
Emotional Disability – Full Time	6,264	6,175	6,227	-37
Emotional Disability – All Other	5,256	5,004	5,054	-202
Specific Learning Disability	54,952	54,330	55,941	989
Developmental Delay (Ages 5B-8)	11,051	12,500	11,881	830
Language/Speech Impairment	33,243	34,383	33,166	-77
Mild Intellectual Disability	9,336	9,269	9,448	112
Moderate Intellectual Disability	3,105	3,043	3,123	18
Severe Intellectual Disability	223	221	219	-4
Deaf-Blind	34	33	33	-1
Autism Spectrum Disorder	19,895	21,425	22,114	2,219
Traumatic Brain Injury	391	382	393	2
Other Health Impairment	32,348	33,009	34,428	2,080
Total Unduplicated Count	182,252	185,886	188,191	5,939 (+3.26%)

PRESCHOOL CHILD COUNT COMPARISONS (APRIL 1, 2024 AND APRIL 1, 2025)

SOURCE: DOE-SE

AGES 3-5A

UNDUPLICATED TOTALS BY DISABILITY

Primary Exceptionality Category	4-1-24 Count	12-2-24 Count	4-1-25 Count	Increase/Decrease April to April
Multiple Disability	93	74	90	-3
Orthopedic Impairment	134	109	123	-11
Blind or Low Vision	68	48	60	-8
Deaf or Hard of Hearing	254	223	251	-3
Emotional Disability – Full Time	2	0	0	-2
Emotional Disability – All Other	1	0	0	-1
Specific Learning Disability	2	3	3	1
Developmental Delay	7,418	6,622	7,599	181
Language/Speech Impairment	7,509	6,344	7,522	13
Mild Intellectual Disability	31	20	26	-5
Moderate Intellectual Disability	20	9	17	-3
Severe Intellectual Disability	0	2	2	2
Deaf-Blind	1	0	0	-1
Autism Spectrum Disorder	1432	1,255	1,615	183
Traumatic Brain Injury	15	8	10	-5
Other Health Impairment	368	321	402	34
Total Unduplicated Count	17,348	15,038	17,720	372 (+2.14%)