

S.C. SCHOOL AGE POPULATION AND ENROLLMENT ESTIMATES

Fiscal Year	Regular School Districts (ADM) (1)	Special School Districts (2)	S.C. Charter Districts (3)	Total Public Schools (4)	Total Private Schools (5)	Total Home School (6)	Dropouts (7)	Other (8)	Census Est. School Age Population (9)
2000-2001	648,023	2,407	n/a	650,430	56,673	9,471	6,089	23,478	746,141
2001-2002	652,468	2,231	n/a	654,699	58,931	11,158	6,224	16,622	747,634
2002-2003	656,898	2,582	n/a	659,480	54,306	12,605	6,000	15,959	748,350
2003-2004	661,376	2,578	n/a	663,954	52,603	13,518	6,231	12,195	748,501
2004-2005	665,124	2,536	n/a	667,660	54,057	14,448	6,485	8,756	751,406
2005-2006	672,560	2,518	n/a	675,078	54,622	14,729	8,108	4,034	756,571
2006-2007	679,328	2,517	n/a	681,845	54,121	14,747	7,891	7,102	765,706
2007-2008	683,364	2,307	n/a	685,671	54,401	15,377	8,013	8,236	771,698
2008-2009	686,612	2,420	2,407	691,439	53,668	16,637	7,077	5,629	774,450
2009-2010	688,012	2,131	5,878	696,021	52,945	15,064	6,265	6,669	776,964
2010-2011	687,447	1,984	8,831	698,262	52,219	14,577	5,900	6,937	777,895
2011-2012	691,122	1,978	9,948	703,048	51,906	14,089	5,232	2,922	777,197
2012-2013	697,174	1,781	11,499	710,454	47,760	14,990	5,537	3,143	781,884
2013-2014	702,558	1,779	14,000	718,337	46,466	15,826	5,640	1,061	787,330
2014-2015	710,996	1,618	17,066	729,680	46,027	17,248	5,644	(4,457)	794,142
2015-2016	716,361	1,754	18,352	736,467	46,948	17,730	5,162	(4,730)	801,577
2016-2017	719,879	1,280	21,280	742,439	46,395	19,983	5,351	(7,308)	806,860
2017-2018	720,499	1,197	25,563	747,259	45,068	21,743	4,979	(6,884)	812,165
2018-2019	721,122	1,132	28,051	750,305	44,853	20,808	4,850	(5,851)	814,965
2019-2020	723,263	1,122	30,331	754,716	44,853	20,764	3,969	(4,059)	820,243
2020-2021	703,401	804	38,522	742,727	47,107	30,115	3,969	2,711	826,629
2021-2022	721,455	p 1,122	p 45,354	p 767,931	p 47,107	p 21,105	p 3,969	p (7,035)	833,077
2022-2023	722,829	p 1,122	p 52,186	p 776,137	p 47,107	p 21,105	p 3,969	p (8,743)	839,575

Footnotes and Column Notes:

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(1) Source: S.C. Department of Education; 135 day ADM count; Does not include the S.C. Charter Districts. Decline in FY 2020-21 was due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

(2) Source: S.C. Department of Education; Includes School for the Deaf and Blind, Department of Juvenile Justice School District, and the Palmetto Unified School District.

(3) Source: S.C. Department of Education. Prior to FY 2018-19, includes only the S.C. Public Charter School District. Beginning in FY 2018-19, also includes the Charter Institute at Erskine.

(4) Sum of columns 1, 2, and 3

(5) Source: Based upon RFA Private School Enrollment Survey. Based upon preliminary data received from some of the private schools, we anticipate flat growth for FY 2021-22. We are also keeping private school student counts flat in FY 2022-23 until more data are available to determine the full impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on private school enrollment.

(6) Source: Based upon RFA Home School Enrollment Survey. We anticipate that home school enrollment will return to pre-pandemic levels in FY 2021-22 and used the three-year average growth rate prior to the pandemic. We are keeping home school student counts flat in FY 2022-23 until more data are available to determine the full impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on home school enrollment.

(7) Source: S.C. Department of Education

(8) This column should not be used as an independent category. While it includes such classifications as immigration and hospitalization, it simply represents the difference between the total school age population as estimated by the U.S. Census Bureau and the estimates provided in columns 1 through 7.

(9) Source: U.S. Census Bureau with RFA projections for FY 2021-22 and FY 2022-23.