## Changes in Student Population in Indiana Public School Districts, 2006-2022 and 2021-2022 to 2022-2023

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This report examines the trend in student enrollment in Indiana Schools as reported by the Indiana Department of Education. The file of reported ADM may be found at: <a href="https://www.in.gov/doe/it/data-center-and-reports/">https://www.in.gov/doe/it/data-center-and-reports/</a>.

The enrollment trends are analyzed over a 16- year period, 2006-2022 as well as the change over the last year.

## **Historical Trends in Indiana**

The most significant item to note is that of the 289 school districts reviewed, 187 had enrollment declines in the last 16 years (65%). Another 22 districts had growth of 5% or less over the entire 16 year period (8%). Seventy-seven districts saw growth of 5 % or more over the time period (27%).

The following table shows the 20 school districts with the largest growth from 2006 to 2022 in Average Daily Membership (ADM).

|                                   | Increases in Enrollment |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Corp Name                         | 2006-2022               |
| Hamilton Southeastern Schools     | 7,564                   |
| Union School Corporation          | 6,762                   |
| Westfield-Washington Schools      | 3,995                   |
| Brownsburg Community School Corp  | 3,488                   |
| Franklin Township Com Sch Corp    | 3,449                   |
| Avon Community School Corp        | 3,349                   |
| Zionsville Community Schools      | 3,146                   |
| Noblesville Schools               | 2,872                   |
| Tippecanoe School Corp            | 2,604                   |
| Clarksville Community School Corp | 2,532                   |
| Perry Township Schools            | 2,451                   |
| Northwest Allen County Schools    | 2,404                   |

| Crown Point Community School Corp  | 2,323 |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| Center Grove Community School Corp | 2,288 |
| M S D Wayne Township               | 2,000 |
| Carmel Clay Schools                | 1,842 |
| Clark-Pleasant Community Sch Corp  | 1,705 |
| Plainfield Community School Corp   | 1,703 |
| M S D Southwest Allen County Schls | 1,493 |
| Seymour Community Schools          | 1,405 |

Note: Bold above represents school districts in the Indianapolis Metropolitan Area. Thirteen of the twenty districts with the highest growth are Indianapolis Metropolitan Area Districts.

This table below captures increases in ADM by percent in order to show increases in smaller districts.

|                                    | Increases in Enrollment by Percent |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Corp Name                          | 2006-2022                          |
| Union School Corporation           | 1420.59%                           |
| Clarksville Community School Corp  | 169.36%                            |
| Westfield-Washington Schools       | 77.05%                             |
| Zionsville Community Schools       | 66.09%                             |
| Hanover Community School Corp      | 61.20%                             |
| Hamilton Southeastern Schools      | 53.84%                             |
| Brownsburg Community School Corp   | 52.18%                             |
| Daleville Community Schools        | 51.26%                             |
| Avon Community School Corp         | 46.56%                             |
| Franklin Township Com Sch Corp     | 44.43%                             |
| Mt Vernon Community School Corp    | 41.60%                             |
| Northwest Allen County Schools     | 41.59%                             |
| Plainfield Community School Corp   | 41.03%                             |
| Lawrenceburg Community School Corp | 38.20%                             |
| Noblesville Schools                | 37.27%                             |
| Barr-Reeve Community Schools Inc   | 36.56%                             |
| Clark-Pleasant Community Sch Corp  | 36.54%                             |
| Seymour Community Schools          | 35.68%                             |
| School City of Whiting             | 35.38%                             |
| Crown Point Community School Corp  | 34.46%                             |
| Center Grove Community School Corp | 31.56%                             |
| Frankton-Lapel Community Schools   | 30.27%                             |

Indianapolis Metropolitan Districts are shown in **BOLD**. The top two districts with increases have significant online schools.

This table below outlines the twenty districts that lost the greatest number of students from 2006 to 2022:

|     | Corp Name                          | Decrease in Enrollment 2006-2022 |
|-----|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1.  | Indianapolis Public Schools        | -15,276                          |
| 2.  | Gary Community School Corp         | -11,041                          |
| 3.  | South Bend Community School Corp   | -5,779                           |
| 4.  | Anderson Community School Corp     | -3,824                           |
| 5.  | School City of Hammond             | -2,763                           |
| 6.  | School City of East Chicago        | -2,603                           |
| 7.  | Muncie Community Schools           | -2,487                           |
| 8.  | Vigo County School Corp            | -2,414                           |
| 9.  | Elkhart Community Schools          | -2,171                           |
| 10. | Fort Wayne Community Schools       | -2,094                           |
| 11. | Kokomo School Corporation          | -1,691                           |
| 12. | North Lawrence Com Schools         | -1,681                           |
| 13. | Portage Township Schools           | -1,646                           |
| 14. | Michigan City Area Schools         | -1,518                           |
| 15. | M S D Martinsville Schools         | -1,478                           |
| 16. | Huntington Co Com Sch Corp         | -1,426                           |
| 17. | Marion Community Schools           | -1,424                           |
| 18. | Jennings County School Corporation | -1,388                           |
| 19. | South Dearborn Community Sch Corp  | -1,036                           |
| 20. | Franklin County Community Sch Corp | -1,015                           |

While many districts did not see the large net number of student losses in ADM, several districts lost significant portions of their enrollment. Following is a table that shows 40 districts in the state that lost 25% or more of their ADM over the period 2006 to 2022.

| Corp Name                          | Decrease in Enrollment<br>by Percent<br>2006-2022 |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Gary Community School Corp         | -73.03%   |
| Northeast School Corp              | -47.51%   |
| Hamilton Community Schools         | -46.59%   |
| Eminence Community School Corp     | -44.46%   |
| School City of East Chicago        | -43.73%   |
| Attica Consolidated School Corp    | -42.52%   |
| Indianapolis Public Schools        | -40.95%   |
| Anderson Community School Corp     | -38.16%   |
| Whitko Community School Corp       | -36.90%   |
| North Miami Community Schools      | -36.63%   |
| North Judson-San Pierre Sch Corp   | -36.32%   |
| Western Wayne Schools              | -35.70%   |
| Blackford County Schools           | -34.83%   |
| South Dearborn Community Sch Corp  | -34.51%   |
| Franklin County Community Sch Corp | -33.13%   |
| Muncie Community Schools           | -32.87%   |
| North Newton School Corp           | -31.88%   |
| North Lawrence Com Schools         | -31.48%   |
| Loogootee Community Sch Corp       | -30.36%   |
| East Gibson School Corporation     | -30.20%   |
| Oregon-Davis School Corp           | -30.04%   |
| Medora Community School Corp       | -29.77%   |
| West Central School Corp           | -29.47%   |
| Lakeland School Corporation        | -28.38%   |
| Lake Ridge New Tech Schools        | -28.19%   |
| North Putnam Community Schools     | -27.98%   |
| Marion Community Schools           | -27.78%   |
| Spencer-Owen Community Schools     | -27.71%   |
| North Adams Community Schools      | -27.61%   |
| Brown County School Corporation    | -27.24%   |
| South Bend Community School Corp   | -27.23%   |
| Culver Community Schools Corp      | -27.02%   |
| M S D Martinsville Schools         | -26.72%   |
| Griffith Public Schools            | -26.56%   |
| Jennings County School Corporation | -26.30%   |

| Crawford County Community Sch Corp | -26.07% |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Rush County Schools                | -25.86% |
| Mitchell Community Schools         | -25.61% |
| New Castle Community School Corp   | -25.56% |
| Southeast Fountain School Corp     | -25.53% |

This next chart will look at districts that lost both large numbers of students and a large percent—Top 25 in net number losses in ADM as well as 25% of their student population.

| Districts Losing 25% or more of    | Number      | Percent     |
|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| student population AND in the Top  | Decrease in | Decrease in |
| 25 for Net Student Losses          | ADM         | ADM         |
| Indianapolis Public Schools        | -15,276     | -40.95%     |
| Gary Community School Corp         | -11,041     | -73.03%     |
| South Bend Community School Corp   | -5,779      | -27.23%     |
| Anderson Community School Corp     | -3,824      | -38.16%     |
| School City of East Chicago        | -2,603      | -43.73%     |
| Muncie Community Schools           | -2,487      | -32.87%     |
| North Lawrence Com Schools         | -1,681      | -31.48%     |
| M S D Martinsville Schools         | -1,478      | -26.72%     |
| Marion Community Schools           | -1,424      | -27.78%     |
| Jennings County School Corporation | -1,388      | -26.30%     |
| South Dearborn Community Sch Corp  | -1,036      | -34.51%     |
| Franklin County Community Sch Corp | -1,015      | -33.13%     |
| New Castle Community School Corp   | -1,009      | -25.56%     |

## **ADM Trends 2022-2023**

The following table shows the school districts that increased between last year (2021-22) and this year (2022-23). Overall 133 districts increased enrollment during this period with 155 school districts losing enrollment from last year.

|                                    | Net ADM Increase (2021-22 to |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| School Corp                        | 2022-23)                     |
| Clarksville Community School Corp  | 2685                         |
| Union School Corporation           | 900                          |
| Brownsburg Community School Corp   | 373                          |
| Center Grove Community School Corp | 364                          |
| Westfield-Washington Schools       | 360                          |
| Madison-Grant United School Corp   | 299                          |
| Cloverdale Community Schools       | 280                          |
| Crown Point Community School Corp  | 243                          |
| Avon Community School Corp         | 232                          |
| Northwest Allen County Schools     | 229                          |
| MSD Lawrence Township              | 167                          |
| Mt Vernon Community School Corp    | 151                          |
| Silver Creek School Corporation    | 151                          |
| MSD Wabash County Schools          | 141                          |
| Lebanon Community School Corp      | 135                          |
| Zionsville Community Schools       | 122                          |
| Hanover Community School Corp      | 119                          |
| Concord Community Schools          | 113                          |
| Southern Hancock Co Com Sch Corp   | 107                          |
| Southwest School Corporation       | 93                           |
| Caston School Corporation          | 90                           |
| Plainfield Community School Corp   | 88                           |

Note: Indianapolis Metro Area School Districts are noted in **BOLD** and represent 10 of the top schools with net increases in enrollment. Districts with significant online schools are the top two school districts on the list.

This chart below shows the top school districts with increases in enrollment from 2021-22 to 2022-23 by percentage. This table captures smaller districts:

| School Corp                       | Increase in ADM 2021-22 to 2022-23 in Percent |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Clarksville Community School Corp | 200.07%                                       |
| Medora Community School Corp      | 30.43%  |
| Madison-Grant United School Corp  | 23.69%  |
| Cloverdale Community Schools      | 19.91%  |
| Union School Corporation          | 14.20%  |
| Caston School Corporation         | 12.08%  |
| MSD of New Durham Township        | 8.13%   |
| Milan Community Schools           | 7.42%   |
| West Washington School Corp       | 7.11%   |
| Argos Community Schools           | 6.82%   |
| MSD Wabash County Schools         | 6.64%   |
| Southwestern Con Sch Shelby Co    | 6.38%   |
| South Henry School Corp           | 6.21%   |
| Southwest School Corporation      | 5.64%   |
| Southern Wells Com Schools        | 5.21%   |
| Silver Creek School Corporation   | 5.05%   |
| Scott County School District 1    | 5.02%   |
| Hanover Community School Corp     | 4.55%   |
| Eastern Howard School Corporation | 4.34%   |
| MSD Boone Township                | 4.18%   |
| Shelby Eastern Schools            | 4.12%   |
| Westfield-Washington Schools      | 4.08%   |

This chart below shows the districts with the largest decreases in enrollment from 2021-2022 to 2022-23 School Year:

|     |                                    | Net Decrease<br>2021-22 to 2022-23 |
|-----|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
|     | School Corp                        | in ADM                             |
| 1.  | South Bend Community School Corp   | -521                               |
| 2.  | School City of Hammond             | -452                               |
| 3.  | Clark-Pleasant Community Sch Corp  | -440                               |
| 4.  | MSD Washington Township            | -390                               |
| 5.  | Perry Township Schools             | -380                               |
| 6.  | Elkhart Community Schools          | -340                               |
| 7.  | New Albany-Floyd Co Con Sch        | -300                               |
| 8.  | Gary Community School Corp         | -296                               |
| 9.  | Anderson Community School Corp     | -274                               |
| 10. | MSD Wayne Township                 | -257                               |
| 11. | MSD Pike Township                  | -244                               |
| 12. | North Lawrence Com Schools         | -227                               |
| 13. | Portage Township Schools           | -219                               |
| 14. | Evansville Vanderburgh School Corp | -202                               |
| 15. | Fort Wayne Community Schools       | -165                               |
| 16. | Penn-Harris-Madison School Corp    | -153                               |
| 17. | Vigo County School Corp            | -153                               |
| 18. | School City of Mishawaka           | -146                               |
| 19. | Carmel Clay Schools                | -143                               |
| 20. | Jennings County School Corporation | -134                               |

This chart summarizes the districts with the largest net loss from 2021-22 to 2022-23 school year by percent. This table captures smaller district losses:

|                                    | Net Decrease 2021-22<br>to 2022-23 |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| School Corp                        | in Percent                         |
| Attica Consolidated School Corp    | -12.01%                            |
| North Miami Community Schools      | -10.26%                            |
| Crothersville Community Schools    | -8.51%                             |
| Cannelton City Schools             | -8.37%                             |
| Gary Community School Corp         | -6.77%                             |
| Clark-Pleasant Community Sch Corp  | -6.46%                             |
| Peru Community Schools             | -6.36%                             |
| Western Wayne Schools              | -6.24%                             |
| White River Valley School District | -6.17%                             |
| North Lawrence Com Schools         | -5.84%                             |
| Smith-Green Community Schools      | -4.95%                             |
| East Washington School Corp        | -4.94%                             |
| School City of Whiting             | -4.84%                             |
| Northeast Dubois Co Sch Corp       | -4.79%                             |
| North Newton School Corp           | -4.79%                             |
| Delphi Community School Corp       | -4.76%                             |
| Rochester Community School Corp    | -4.61%                             |
| Lakeland School Corporation        | -4.58%                             |
| Anderson Community School Corp     | -4.23%                             |
| Pioneer Regional School Corp       | -4.08%                             |

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