

# **Report on Status of High Spending Special Education Supervisory Unions/Districts**

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## Background Information:

16 V.S.A. §2974 defines “high spending” as a district that “spent at least 20 percent more than the state wide average of special education eligible costs per “average daily membership” (ADM). Similarly, a “low spending district” is one that spent less than 80 percent of the state wide average of special education eligible costs per ADM. It is worth noting that the statute refers to “districts” and not “supervisory unions.” We opted to calculate at the Supervisory Union (SU) level given Act 153 which transferred responsibility of special education costs to the SU.

The denominator for calculating high spending is ADM, not child count. The state wide average special education expenditure per ADM in 2015-16 is \$3,553.97, placing low spending Supervisory Unions/Districts as those with special education expenditures of \$2,843.17 or less per ADM, and high spending Supervisory Unions/Districts as those with special education expenditures of \$4,264.76 or more per ADM.

In this report we provide comprehensive data, as required by statute, on the status of special education in Vermont’s supervisory unions and Supervisory Unions/Districts, including cost and financial information, special education population data, staffing and program information, and outcomes for students with disabilities.

The report is arranged with notations for each statutory requirement for the information included in the report. Where data are used for two different requirements it is noted and comments refer to both requirements.

## Statutory reporting requirements with references:

VSA Title 16 § 2974. Special education program; fiscal review

(a) Annually, the commissioner shall report to the state board regarding:

- (1) special education expenditures by school districts; **Table 1**
- (2) the rate of growth or decrease in special education costs, including the identity of high and low spending districts; **Tables 2-5**
- (3) outcomes for special education students; **Annual Performance Report Summary**
- (4) the availability of special education staff; **Table 11**
- (5) the consistency of special education program implementation statewide; **Table 13**
- (6) the status of the education support systems in school districts; and **Chart 1**
- (7) a statewide summary of the special education student count, including:
  - (A) the percentage of the total average daily membership represented by special education students statewide and by school district; **Table 7**

(B) the percentage of special education students by disability category; and

**Table 8**

(C) the percentage of special education students by in-district placement, day placement, and residential placement. **Table 9**

(b) The commissioner's report shall include the following data for both high and low spending districts:

- (1) each district's special education staff-to-child count ratios as compared to the state average, including a breakdown of ratios by staffing categories; **Table 12**
- (2) each district's percentage of students in day programs and residential placements as compared to the state average of students in those placements and information about the categories of disabilities for the students in such placements; **Comment 1**
- (3) whether the district was in compliance with section 2901 of this title; **Table 13**
- (4) any unusual community characteristics in each district relevant to special education placements; **Comment 2**
- (5) a review of high and low spending districts' special education student count patterns over time; **Table 10**
- (6) a review of the district's compliance with federal and state requirements to provide a free, appropriate public education to eligible students; and **Table 13**
- (7) any other factors affecting its spending. **Table 6 A and B**

**Financial Findings:**

**Table 1:** Seven low- and eight high-spending Supervisory Unions/Districts (15 of the 59 school systems) were identified in 2015-16.

**Table 2:** Statewide, total eligible costs are 3.2% higher in 2015-16 than in 2014-15, costs per ADM are 5.1% higher, and costs per child count are 2.8% higher. The majority of Supervisory Unions/Districts had rates of change between a decrease of 9.2% and an increase of 15.2%.

**Table 3:** Between 2005 and 2016 total expenditures, not adjusted for inflation, increased 56.5%, and when adjusted for inflation increased 27.3%.

**Table 4:** Student costs per ADM in non-adjusted dollars increased 85.7%, and in adjusted dollars 51.1%.

**Table 5:** Costs per child count expenditures increased 58.0% in non-adjusted dollars, and 28.6% in dollars adjusted for inflation

**Table 6 A and B:** The greatest percentage of total expenditures is in direct instruction salaries, followed by direct instruction benefits, tuition/excess costs and related services.

## Special Education Student Population Findings:

**Table 7:** Child count and ADM are both down slightly from FY 15 by 0.5% and 1.7% respectively, but child count as percent of ADM increased by 0.6%.

**Table 8 A and B:** Many disability categories have shown few changes measured as percent of all students with active IEPs. However, autism spectrum disorders, multiple disabilities, and developmental delay are three categories showing increases in both student count and as percentage of students with active IEPs. Autism spectrum disorders and multiple disabilities are two categories typically associated with high costs. Developmental delay is a designation for students evaluated under the age of six, and does not differentiate disability type.

**Table 9:** In FY16 of 12,554 child count 576, or 4.6% of child count are places in separate schools, 137, or 1.1% are placed in residential facilities, with a total of 713 or 5.6% placed out of district.

**Table 10:** There have been both increases and decreases in student count for most high and low spending Supervisory Unions/Supervisory Unions/Districts in the three most recent years, ranging from less than one percent to more than 20 percent. However, there is no clear relationship between population changes and high/low spending designations.

## Special Education Staffing Findings:

**Table 11:** Statewide, Special Education Teachers (serving ages 6-21 only) increased by 2.4% from FY15 to FY16.

Special Education Paraprofessionals (serving ages 6-21 only) decreased 4.8% and total personnel (serving ages 6-21) decreased 2.7%.

**Table 12:** Child count to personnel ratios vary, ranging from 3.2 to 20.3 child count to FTE teachers, 2.4 to 10.8 child count to FTE paraprofessionals, and 1.7 to 6.0 child count to total FTE personnel. Compared to the state average child count to total personnel ratios range from 1.6 FTE below the statewide average to 2.7 FTE above. Child count to teacher ratios, compared to the state average range from 7.6 FTE below to 9.5 above, and fro child count to paraprofessionals ratios the range is from 2.5 FTE below to 5.9 FTE above.

## Special Education Program Findings:

**Table 13:** Overall, 98.0% of supervisory unions/ districts met requirements at 64.0% and above.

**Chart 1:** Nine of 13 tracked supports are met by 50.0% to 70.0% of schools, and three are met by over 90.0% of Supervisory Unions/Districts. (Note: these data are tracked by school, not Supervisory Unions/Districts, with 146 schools reporting.)

## Outcome Findings:

**Annual Performance Report Summary:** Performance indicators were met in 21 categories, and not met in nine.

## Financial Data:

In **Table 1** below we identify seven low and eight high spending (of 59) Supervisory Unions/Districts in 2015-16, total expenditures, expenditures per ADM, expenditures per child count, and the percentage under or over the state wide average expenditure per ADM used in the identification of high and low spending Supervisory Unions/Districts.

The statewide average expenditure per ADM is \$3,553.97, placing low spending Supervisory Unions/Districts as those with expenditures of \$2,843.17 or less per ADM, and high spending Supervisory Unions/Districts as those with expenditures of \$4,264.76 or more per ADM.

**Table 1: Special Education Expenditures by Supervisory Unions/Districts**

High and Low Spending Supervisory Unions/Districts

SU ID	SU Name	Eligible Cost (\$)	Eligible Cost Average Daily Membership (ADM)	Over/Under the Statewide ADM (%)	High and Low Spending Supervisory Unions/Districts	Eligible Cost Child Count (\$)
	<b>State Totals</b>	<b>\$284,991,768.31</b>	<b>\$3,553.97</b>			
SU001	Addison Northeast S.U.	\$4,049,207.50	\$2,814.76	-21.0%	Low	\$23,271.31
SU002	Addison Northwest S.U.	\$4,331,913.85	\$4,547.23	27.6%	High	\$28,129.31
SU003	Addison Central S.U.	\$4,489,010.63	\$2,738.85	-23.1%	Low	\$22,445.05
SU004	Addison - Rutland S.U.	\$3,979,123.00	\$3,099.34	-13.0%		\$19,698.63
SU005	Southwest Vermont S.U.	\$10,520,723.95	\$3,586.11	0.6%		\$17,162.68
SU006	Bennington - Rutland S.U.	\$9,140,566.67	\$4,478.76	25.7%	High	\$27,123.34
SU007	Colchester S.D.	\$6,617,963.73	\$3,194.37	-10.3%		\$23,978.13
SU008	Caledonia North S.U.	\$4,601,237.69	\$3,569.31	0.2%		\$20,541.24
SU009	Caledonia Central S.U.	\$2,450,593.23	\$3,166.43	-11.1%		\$23,792.17
SU010	Milton S.D.	\$6,253,768.83	\$4,211.75	18.2%		\$27,309.03
SU011	St Johnsbury S.D.	\$3,605,269.55	\$3,535.27	-0.8%		\$19,700.93
SU012	Chittenden East S.U.	\$8,429,057.55	\$3,567.54	0.1%		\$27,545.94
SU013	Chittenden Central S.U.	\$8,562,918.81	\$3,695.68	3.7%		\$29,026.84
SU014	Chittenden South S.U.	\$10,923,660.32	\$2,888.36	-18.9%		\$25,702.73
SU015	Burlington S.D.	\$13,487,490.56	\$3,804.40	6.8%		\$37,053.55
SU016	South Burlington S.D.	\$7,703,043.11	\$3,554.62	-0.2%		\$33,934.11
SU017	Winooski S.D.	\$3,148,330.10	\$4,246.58	19.2%		\$20,849.87
SU018	Essex - Caledonia S.U.	\$2,098,218.11	\$2,965.68	-16.8%		\$22,561.49
SU019	Essex North S.U.	\$550,464.77	\$3,049.67	-14.4%		\$26,212.61
SU020	Franklin Northeast S.U.	\$4,047,204.21	\$2,781.74	-21.9%	Low	\$16,863.35
SU021	Franklin Northwest S.U.	\$6,487,484.14	\$3,193.40	-10.4%		\$18,695.92
SU022	Franklin West S.U.	\$4,178,012.00	\$2,362.53	-33.7%	Low	\$14,711.31
SU023	Franklin Central S.U.	\$8,173,539.21	\$3,530.24	-0.9%		\$18,789.75
SU024	Grand Isle S.U.	\$2,802,109.64	\$3,260.96	-8.5%		\$22,238.97

SU ID	SU Name	Eligible Cost (\$)	Eligible Cost Average Daily Membership (ADM)	Over/Under the Statewide ADM (%)	High and Low Spending Supervisory Unions/Districts	Eligible Cost Child Count (\$)
SU025	Lamoille North S.U.	\$5,612,593.00	\$3,389.72	-4.9%		\$21,099.97
SU026	Lamoille South S.U.	\$4,684,824.34	\$3,079.43	-13.6%		\$22,852.80
SU027	Orange East S.U.	\$4,897,035.29	\$3,677.42	3.2%		\$21,959.80
SU028	Orange Southwest S.U.	\$2,032,437.41	\$2,487.56	-30.2%	Low	\$14,835.31
SU029	Orange North S.U.	\$2,835,844.09	\$3,832.95	7.6%		\$21,983.29
SU030	Orange - Windsor S.U.	\$3,553,766.00	\$3,418.07	-4.1%		\$19,634.07
SU031	North Country S.U.	\$8,690,287.56	\$3,517.15	-1.3%		\$15,246.12
SU032	Washington Central S.U.	\$4,973,992.00	\$3,614.95	1.5%		\$26,886.44
SU033	Rutland South S.U.	\$2,350,837.10	\$3,190.26	-10.5%		\$24,235.43
SU034	Orleans Central S.U.	\$3,250,612.46	\$3,292.03	-7.6%		\$16,930.27
SU035	Orleans Southwest S.U.	\$5,138,405.85	\$4,763.03	33.7%	High	\$27,478.11
SU036	Rutland Northeast S.U.	\$5,553,053.87	\$3,796.57	6.6%		\$25,356.41
SU037	Rutland Central S.U.	\$2,733,030.57	\$2,641.91	-25.8%	Low	\$18,220.20
SU038	Rutland Southwest S.U.	\$1,954,471.21	\$3,053.96	-14.3%		\$16,424.13
SU040	Rutland City S.D.	\$8,171,864.97	\$4,273.07	19.9%		\$25,144.20
SU041	Washington Northeast S.U.	\$1,746,066.98	\$3,482.11	-2.3%		\$23,280.89
SU042	Washington West S.U.	\$6,256,817.65	\$3,678.71	3.3%		\$25,538.03
SU043	Washington South S.U.	\$2,802,697.30	\$4,586.54	28.7%	High	\$22,602.40
SU045	Montpelier S.D.	\$3,010,513.01	\$3,151.97	-11.5%		\$29,228.28
SU046	Windham Central S.U.	\$3,346,963.89	\$3,559.96	-0.1%		\$21,183.32
SU047	Windham Northeast S.U.	\$5,092,871.77	\$4,277.93	20.1%	High	\$23,469.46
SU048	Windham Southeast S.U.	\$9,705,371.33	\$4,162.55	16.8%		\$24,324.24
SU049	Windham Southwest S.U.	\$2,482,429.67	\$3,852.31	8.1%		\$26,982.93
SU050	Windsor Northwest S.U.	\$1,751,694.00	\$3,518.24	-1.2%		\$24,671.75
SU051	Windsor Central S.U.	\$2,612,583.29	\$3,046.07	-14.5%		\$22,329.77
SU052	Windsor Southeast S.U.	\$4,657,795.74	\$3,559.73	-0.1%		\$29,479.72

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SU054	Hartford S.D.	\$5,491,712.00	\$4,126.13	15.8%		\$19,269.16
SU055	Norwich S.D.	\$1,173,677.30	\$1,992.49	-44.1%	Low	\$20,958.52
SU056	Springfield S.D.	\$5,055,306.00	\$4,321.88	21.3%	High	\$23,513.05
SU057	Blue Mountain S.D	\$1,695,774.93	\$4,582.31	28.6%	High	\$24,225.36
SU059	Essex Town S.D.	\$5,005,736.31	\$4,218.77	18.4%		\$27,353.75
SU060	Battenkill Valley S.U.	\$1,343,774.62	\$3,516.35	-1.3%		\$18,663.54
SU061	Barre S.D.	\$9,420,184.47	\$4,329.92	21.5%	High	\$20,128.60
SU063	Two Rivers S.U.	\$4,284,262.82	\$4,229.57	18.7%		\$20,898.84
SU064	Rivendell Interstate S.D.	\$991,568.35	\$3,618.86	1.6%		\$21,097.20



Table 2, below, presents a comparison of two years of special education expenditures expressed as total eligible cost, eligible costs per ADM, and eligible costs per child count, with the rate of change for each.

Statewide, total eligible costs are 3.2% higher in 2015-16 than in 2014-15, eligible costs per ADM are 5.1% higher, and eligible costs per child count are 2.8% higher.

For total eligible cost, rates of change vary between a decrease of 12.4% and an increase of 21.4%. For eligible cost per ADM changes in spending range from a decrease of 10.9% to an increase of 22.0%, and for eligible cost per child count from a decrease of 58.9% to an increase of 35.2%. Child count costs are more sensitive to population changes both in terms of numbers of students and expenditures than total costs, or costs per ADM, which is why changes in child count costs may appear more volatile than other measurements of change.

**Table 2: Changes in Special Education Costs: 2014-15 to 2015-16**

SU ID	SU Name	Eligible Cost 2014-15 (\$)	Eligible Cost 2015-16 (\$)	Eligible Cost Change (%)	Eligible Cost ADM 2014-15 (\$)	Eligible Cost per ADM 2015-16 (\$)	Eligible Cost per ADM Change (%)	Eligible Cost per Child Count 2014-15 (\$)	Eligible Cost per Child Count 2015-16 (\$)	Eligible Cost per Child Count Change (%)
	<b>State Totals</b>	<b>\$276,293,236.36</b>	<b>\$284,991,768.31</b>	<b>3.2%</b>	<b>\$3,383.00</b>	<b>\$3,553.97</b>	<b>5.1%</b>	<b>\$22,341.13</b>	<b>\$22,963.11</b>	<b>2.8%</b>
SU00 1	Addison Northeast S.U.	\$3,900,961.35	\$4,049,207.50	3.8%	\$2,611.77	\$2,814.76	7.8%	\$20,212.23	\$23,271.31	15.1%
SU00 2	Addison Northwest S.U.	\$4,261,424.66	\$4,331,913.85	1.7%	\$4,243.60	\$4,547.23	7.2%	\$25,671.23	\$28,129.31	9.6%
SU00 3	Addison Central S.U.	\$4,066,851.47	\$4,489,010.63	10.4%	\$2,460.03	\$2,738.85	11.3%	\$20,132.93	\$22,445.05	11.5%
SU00 4	Addison - Rutland S.U.	\$3,841,949.00	\$3,979,123.00	3.6%	\$2,927.91	\$3,099.34	5.9%	\$20,220.78	\$19,698.63	-2.6%
SU00 5	Southwest Vermont S.U.	\$10,279,284.72	\$10,520,723.95	2.4%	\$3,455.18	\$3,586.11	3.8%	\$17,452.10	\$17,162.68	-1.7%
SU00 6	Bennington - Rutland S.U.	\$8,509,214.60	\$9,140,566.67	7.4%	\$4,075.88	\$4,478.76	9.9%	\$24,451.77	\$27,123.34	10.9%
SU00 7	Colchester S.D.	\$6,437,732.49	\$6,617,963.73	2.8%	\$3,135.22	\$3,194.37	1.9%	\$22,828.84	\$23,978.13	5.0%
SU00 8	Caledonia North S.U.	\$4,391,985.09	\$4,601,237.69	4.8%	\$3,251.28	\$3,569.31	9.8%	\$19,607.08	\$20,541.24	4.8%
SU00 9	Caledonia Central S.U.	\$2,671,299.83	\$2,450,593.23	-8.3%	\$3,431.17	\$3,166.43	-7.7%	\$26,189.21	\$23,792.17	-9.2%
SU01 0	Milton S.D.	\$5,660,683.70	\$6,253,768.83	10.5%	\$3,669.72	\$4,211.75	14.8%	\$27,885.14	\$27,309.03	-2.1%
SU01 1	St Johnsbury S.D.	\$3,429,943.00	\$3,605,269.55	5.1%	\$3,445.59	\$3,535.27	2.6%	\$20,058.15	\$19,700.93	-1.8%
SU01 2	Chittenden East S.U.	\$7,630,374.19	\$8,429,057.55	10.5%	\$3,105.06	\$3,567.54	14.9%	\$23,919.67	\$27,545.94	15.2%

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SU01 3	Chittenden Central S.U.	\$9,048,067.09	\$8,562,918.81	-5.4%	\$3,851.55	\$3,695.68	-4.1%	\$31,308.19	\$29,026.84	-7.3%
SU01 4	Chittenden South S.U.	\$10,924,061.47	\$10,923,660.32	0.0%	\$2,800.31	\$2,888.36	3.1%	\$25,228.78	\$25,702.73	1.9%
SU01 5	Burlington S.D.	\$14,322,375.84	\$13,487,490.56	-5.8%	\$4,058.72	\$3,804.40	-6.3%	\$29,838.28	\$37,053.55	24.2%
SU01 6	South Burlington S.D.	\$7,556,090.19	\$7,703,043.11	1.9%	\$3,444.23	\$3,554.62	3.2%	\$32,996.03	\$33,934.11	2.8%
SU01 7	Winooski S.D.	\$2,684,853.55	\$3,148,330.10	17.3%	\$3,696.36	\$4,246.58	14.9%	\$20,495.07	\$20,849.87	1.7%
SU01 8	Essex - Caledonia S.U.	\$1,985,349.39	\$2,098,218.11	5.7%	\$2,734.83	\$2,965.68	8.4%	\$20,258.67	\$22,561.49	11.4%
SU01 9	Essex North S.U.	\$462,022.01	\$550,464.77	19.1%	\$2,726.60	\$3,049.67	11.9%	\$20,087.91	\$26,212.61	30.5%
SU02 0	Franklin Northeast S.U.	\$3,995,707.72	\$4,047,204.21	1.3%	\$2,679.40	\$2,781.74	3.8%	\$16,579.70	\$16,863.35	1.7%
SU02 1	Franklin Northwest S.U.	\$6,112,310.11	\$6,487,484.14	6.1%	\$2,936.41	\$3,193.40	8.8%	\$18,410.57	\$18,695.92	1.6%
SU02 2	Franklin West S.U.	\$3,559,765.00	\$4,178,012.00	17.4%	\$1,988.00	\$2,362.53	18.8%	\$13,638.95	\$14,711.31	7.9%
SU02 3	Franklin Central S.U.	\$7,710,787.84	\$8,173,539.21	6.0%	\$3,248.11	\$3,530.24	8.7%	\$18,015.86	\$18,789.75	4.3%
SU02 4	Grand Isle S.U.	\$2,823,674.58	\$2,802,109.64	-0.8%	\$3,294.37	\$3,260.96	-1.0%	\$21,720.57	\$22,238.97	2.4%
SU02 5	Lamoille North S.U.	\$5,676,516.00	\$5,612,593.00	-1.1%	\$3,304.41	\$3,389.72	2.6%	\$20,129.49	\$21,099.97	4.8%

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SU026	Lamoille South S.U.	\$4,156,948.06	\$4,684,824.34	12.7%	\$2,812.04	\$3,079.43	9.5%	\$23,223.17	\$22,852.80	-1.6%
SU027	Orange East S.U.	\$4,668,928.24	\$4,897,035.29	4.9%	\$3,516.47	\$3,677.42	4.6%	\$20,567.97	\$21,959.80	6.8%
SU028	Orange Southwest S.U.	\$1,933,754.80	\$2,032,437.41	5.1%	\$2,255.06	\$2,487.56	10.3%	\$14,218.79	\$14,835.31	4.3%
SU029	Orange North S.U.	\$3,080,810.00	\$2,835,844.09	-8.0%	\$4,013.09	\$3,832.95	-4.5%	\$19,622.99	\$21,983.29	12.0%
SU030	Orange - Windsor S.U.	\$3,485,124.65	\$3,553,766.00	2.0%	\$3,489.73	\$3,418.07	-2.1%	\$21,250.76	\$19,634.07	-7.6%
SU031	North Country S.U.	\$8,256,549.52	\$8,690,287.56	5.3%	\$3,261.49	\$3,517.15	7.8%	\$15,039.25	\$15,246.12	1.4%
SU032	Washington Central S.U.	\$4,534,888.54	\$4,973,992.00	9.7%	\$3,270.98	\$3,614.95	10.5%	\$24,916.97	\$26,886.44	7.9%
SU033	Rutland South S.U.	\$2,325,848.92	\$2,350,837.10	1.1%	\$3,089.31	\$3,190.26	3.3%	\$21,941.97	\$24,235.43	10.5%
SU034	Orleans Central S.U.	\$3,089,548.27	\$3,250,612.46	5.2%	\$3,040.92	\$3,292.03	8.3%	\$17,069.33	\$16,930.27	-0.8%
SU035	Orleans Southwest S.U.	\$4,865,740.70	\$5,138,405.85	5.6%	\$4,559.65	\$4,763.03	4.5%	\$29,136.17	\$27,478.11	-5.7%
SU036	Rutland Northeast S.U.	\$5,603,163.35	\$5,553,053.87	-0.9%	\$3,821.68	\$3,796.57	-0.7%	\$26,809.39	\$25,356.41	-5.4%
SU037	Rutland Central S.U.	\$2,662,487.89	\$2,733,030.57	2.7%	\$2,447.50	\$2,641.91	7.9%	\$17,067.23	\$18,220.20	6.8%
SU038	Rutland Southwest S.U.	\$2,162,349.70	\$1,954,471.21	-9.6%	\$3,269.01	\$3,053.96	-6.6%	\$17,438.30	\$16,424.13	-5.8%

SU ID	SU Name	Eligible Cost 2014-15 (\$)	Eligible Cost 2015-16 (\$)	Eligible Cost Change (%)	Eligible Cost ADM 2014-15 (\$)	Eligible Cost per ADM 2015-16 (\$)	Eligible Cost per ADM Change (%)	Eligible Cost per Child Count 2014-15 (\$)	Eligible Cost per Child Count 2015-16 (\$)	Eligible Cost per Child Count Change (%)
SU040	Rutland City S.D.	\$8,767,672.68	\$8,171,864.97	-6.8%	\$4,497.90	\$4,273.07	-5.0%	\$26,649.46	\$25,144.20	-5.7%
SU041	Washington Northeast S.U.	\$1,692,614.73	\$1,746,066.98	3.2%	\$3,140.75	\$3,482.11	10.9%	\$22,873.17	\$23,280.89	1.8%
SU042	Washington West S.U.	\$5,514,165.07	\$6,256,817.65	13.5%	\$3,214.83	\$3,678.71	14.4%	\$22,785.81	\$25,538.03	12.1%
SU043	Washington South S.U.	\$2,669,684.20	\$2,802,697.30	5.0%	\$4,374.60	\$4,586.54	4.8%	\$20,072.81	\$22,602.40	12.6%
SU045	Montpelier S.D.	\$2,987,873.65	\$3,010,513.01	0.8%	\$3,229.09	\$3,151.97	-2.4%	\$28,729.55	\$29,228.28	1.7%
SU046	Windham Central S.U.	\$3,081,997.71	\$3,346,963.89	8.6%	\$3,256.93	\$3,559.96	9.3%	\$20,965.97	\$21,183.32	1.0%
SU047	Windham Northeast S.U.	\$4,922,862.53	\$5,092,871.77	3.5%	\$4,099.41	\$4,277.93	4.4%	\$21,497.22	\$23,469.46	9.2%
SU048	Windham Southeast S.U.	\$9,680,051.21	\$9,705,371.33	0.3%	\$4,017.37	\$4,162.55	3.6%	\$23,158.02	\$24,324.24	5.0%
SU049	Windham Southwest S.U.	\$2,158,708.95	\$2,482,429.67	15.0%	\$3,156.61	\$3,852.31	22.0%	\$20,958.34	\$26,982.93	28.8%
SU050	Windsor Northwest S.U.	\$2,000,238.50	\$1,751,694.00	-12.4%	\$3,814.48	\$3,518.24	-7.8%	\$23,532.22	\$24,671.75	4.8%
SU051	Windsor Central S.U.	\$2,324,436.33	\$2,612,583.29	12.4%	\$2,680.42	\$3,046.07	13.6%	\$20,940.87	\$22,329.77	6.6%
SU052	Windsor Southeast S.U.	\$4,731,753.64	\$4,657,795.74	-1.6%	\$3,510.20	\$3,559.73	1.4%	\$31,129.96	\$29,479.72	-5.3%
SU054	Hartford S.D.	\$5,197,716.26	\$5,491,712.00	5.7%	\$3,853.61	\$4,126.13	7.1%	\$17,985.18	\$19,269.16	7.1%

SU ID	SU Name	Eligible Cost 2014-15 (\$)	Eligible Cost 2015-16 (\$)	Eligible Cost Change (%)	Eligible Cost ADM 2014-15 (\$)	Eligible Cost per ADM 2015-16 (\$)	Eligible Cost per ADM Change (%)	Eligible Cost per Child Count 2014-15 (\$)	Eligible Cost per Child Count 2015-16 (\$)	Eligible Cost per Child Count Change (%)
SU055	Norwich S.D.	\$1,274,789.17	\$1,173,677.30	-7.9%	\$2,117.59	\$1,992.49	-5.9%	\$50,991.57	\$20,958.52	-58.9%
SU056	Springfield S.D.	\$4,656,664.00	\$5,055,306.00	8.6%	\$3,935.15	\$4,321.88	9.8%	\$23,052.79	\$23,513.05	2.0%
SU057	Blue Mountain S.D.	\$1,397,213.34	\$1,695,774.93	21.4%	\$3,804.32	\$4,582.31	20.5%	\$17,912.99	\$24,225.36	35.2%
SU059	Essex Town S.D.	\$4,761,200.33	\$5,005,736.31	5.1%	\$3,997.01	\$4,218.77	5.6%	\$25,460.96	\$27,353.75	7.4%
SU060	Battenkill Valley S.U.	\$1,338,582.92	\$1,343,774.62	0.4%	\$3,285.59	\$3,516.35	7.0%	\$17,847.77	\$18,663.54	4.6%
SU061	Barre S.D.	\$9,144,216.68	\$9,420,184.47	3.0%	\$4,035.99	\$4,329.92	7.3%	\$19,210.54	\$20,128.60	4.8%
SU063	Two Rivers S.U.	\$4,164,297.00	\$4,284,262.82	2.9%	\$4,090.10	\$4,229.57	3.4%	\$20,215.03	\$20,898.84	3.4%
SU064	Rivendell Interstate S.D.	\$1,057,069.93	\$991,568.35	-6.2%	\$4,062.22	\$3,618.86	-10.9%	\$16,516.72	\$21,097.20	27.7%

Tables 3, 4 and 5 below contain data on changes in total expenditures, ADM and child count, from FY 2005 to FY 2016, in dollars both not adjusted and adjusted for inflation (Bureau of Labor Statistics Inflation Calculator). In all three tables we see that changes from year to year are somewhat volatile, ranging from a changes of less than one percentage point to over 12 percentage points for unadjusted dollars, and for adjusted dollars, we see changes ranging from slightly decreased spending to increases of more than six percent.

Between 2005 and 2016 total eligible cost (Table 3), not adjusted for inflation, increased 56.5%, and when adjusted for inflation increased 27.3%, for cost per ADM (Table 4) in non-adjusted dollars eligible cost increased 85.7%, and in adjusted dollars 51.1%, and for eligible cost per child count (Table 5) increased 58.0% in non-adjusted dollars, and 28.6% in dollars adjusted for inflation. Eligible cost per ADM is sensitive to changes in total student population in addition to changes in spending, whereas eligible cost per child count is sensitive to changes in both the population of students with disabilities and expenditures.

**Table 3: Changes in Expenditures FY05-FY16: Total Eligible Expenditures**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total Eligible Formula Cost (\$)</b>	<b>Change from Prior Year (\$)</b>	<b>Change from Prior Year NOT ADJUSTED (%)</b>	<b>Total Eligible Formula Cost in FY16 Inflation Adjusted Dollars (\$)</b>	<b>Change from Prior Year in FY16 Inflation Adjusted Dollars (\$)</b>	<b>Change from Prior Year ADJUSTED (%)</b>
FY05	\$182,165,837.66			\$223,866,237.81		
FY06	\$193,513,651.90	\$11,347,814.24	6.2%	\$230,380,114.07	\$6,513,876.26	2.9%
FY07	\$208,330,205.30	\$14,816,553.40	7.7%	\$241,150,888.35	\$10,770,774.28	4.7%
FY08	\$220,815,125.07	\$12,484,919.77	6.0%	\$246,151,590.08	\$5,000,701.73	2.1%
FY09	\$228,089,729.61	\$7,274,604.54	3.3%	\$255,168,720.68	\$9,017,130.60	3.7%
FY10	\$232,436,752.65	\$4,347,023.04	1.9%	\$255,835,416.72	\$666,696.03	0.3%
FY11	\$232,985,497.34	\$548,744.69	0.2%	\$248,592,508.36	-\$7,242,908.35	-2.8%
FY12	\$240,850,864.22	\$7,865,366.88	3.4%	\$251,774,408.23	\$3,181,899.87	1.3%
FY13	\$253,552,178.09	\$12,701,313.87	5.3%	\$261,225,452.09	\$9,451,043.86	3.8%
FY14	\$266,051,013.02	\$12,498,834.93	4.9%	\$269,727,061.02	\$8,501,608.93	3.3%
FY15	\$276,293,236.36	\$10,242,223.34	3.9%	\$279,778,711.36	\$10,051,650.34	3.7%
FY16	284,991,768.31	\$8,698,531.95	3.2%	\$284,991,768.31	\$5,213,056.95	1.9%
<b>FY05-16</b>			<b>56.5%</b>			<b>27.3%</b>



**Table 4: Changes in Expenditures FY05-FY16: Eligible Expenditures per Average Daily Membership (ADM)**

Year	Eligible Cost per ADM (\$)	Eligible Cost per ADM Change from Prior Year (\$)	Eligible Cost per ADM Change from Prior Year (%)	Eligible Cost per ADM in FY16 Inflation Adjusted Dollars (\$)	Eligible Cost per ADM Change from Prior Year in FY16 Inflation Adjusted Dollars (\$)	Eligible Cost per ADM Change from Prior Year ADJUSTED (%)
FY05	\$1,918.21			\$2,357.32		
FY06	\$2,078.73	\$160.52	8.4%	\$2,474.75	\$117.43	5.0%
FY07	\$2,274.95	\$196.22	9.4%	\$2,633.35	\$158.60	6.4%
FY08	\$2,458.53	\$183.58	8.1%	\$2,740.62	\$107.27	4.1%
FY09	\$2,597.51	\$138.98	5.7%	\$2,905.89	\$165.27	6.0%
FY10	\$2,687.98	\$90.47	3.5%	\$2,958.57	\$52.68	1.8%
FY11	\$2,731.02	\$43.04	1.6%	\$2,913.96	-\$44.61	-1.5%
FY12	\$2,863.46	\$132.44	4.9%	\$2,993.33	\$79.37	2.7%
FY13	\$3,046.25	\$182.79	6.4%	\$3,138.44	\$145.11	4.9%
FY14	\$3,224.79	\$178.54	5.9%	\$3,269.35	\$130.91	4.2%
FY15	\$3,404.32	\$179.53	5.6%	\$3,447.26	\$177.91	5.4%
FY16	\$3,562.58	\$158.26	4.7%	\$3,562.58	\$115.32	3.4%
<b>FY05-16</b>			85.7%			51.1%

**Table 5: Changes in Expenditures FY05-FY16: Eligible Expenditures per Average Daily Membership (ADM)**

Year	Eligible Cost per Child Count (CC) (\$)	Eligible Cost per CC Change from Prior Year (\$)	Eligible Cost per CC Change from Prior Year (%)	Eligible Cost per CC in FY16 Inflation Adjusted Dollars (%)	Eligible Cost per CC Change from Prior Year in FY16 Inflation Adjusted Dollars (\$)	Eligible Cost per CC Change from Prior Year ADJUSTED (%)
FY05	\$14,369.79			\$17,659.24		
FY06	\$16,119.42	\$1,749.63	12.2%	\$19,190.35	\$1,531.10	8.7%
FY07	\$16,348.60	\$229.18	1.4%	\$18,924.19	-\$266.16	-1.4%
FY08	\$17,404.83	\$1,056.23	6.5%	\$19,401.87	\$477.69	2.5%
FY09	\$18,029.30	\$624.47	3.6%	\$20,169.75	\$767.88	4.0%
FY10	\$18,315.09	\$285.79	1.6%	\$20,158.81	-\$10.94	-0.1%
FY11	\$18,603.12	\$288.03	1.6%	\$19,849.29	-\$309.52	-1.5%
FY12	\$19,431.29	\$828.17	4.5%	\$20,312.58	\$463.29	2.3%
FY13	\$20,388.56	\$957.27	4.9%	\$21,005.58	\$693.01	3.4%
FY14	\$21,217.88	\$829.32	4.1%	\$21,511.05	\$505.47	2.4%
FY15	\$21,889.81	\$671.93	3.2%	\$22,165.96	\$654.91	3.0%
FY16	\$22,701.27	\$811.46	3.7%	\$22,701.27	\$535.31	2.4%
<b>FY05-16</b>			58.0%			28.6%

The greatest percentage of total expenditures is in direct instruction salaries, followed by direct instruction benefits, tuition/excess costs and related services.

**Table 6 (A and B): Expenditures by Supervisory Union/District and Category of Expense***Note: percentages do not add up to 100 because only the largest expenditure categories were included in the tables.***Table 6A**

SU ID	SU/SD Name	Total (\$)	Direct Instruction (Salaries) (\$)	Percent of Total (%)	Direct Instruction (Benefits) (\$)	Percent of Total (%)	Purchased Professional Services (\$)	Percent of Total (%)
	<b>Statewide</b>	<b>\$322,823,041.15</b>	<b>\$122,518,206.39</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>\$48,487,845.07</b>	<b>15.0%</b>	<b>\$22,191,170.43</b>	<b>6.9%</b>
SU001	Addison Northeast S.U.	\$4,547,198.13	\$2,008,254.94	44.2%	\$805,562.75	17.7%	\$45,450.08	1.0%
SU002	Addison Northwest S.U.	\$4,646,742.79	\$1,507,499.37	32.4%	\$697,707.07	15.0%	\$605,954.46	13.0%
SU003	Addison Central S.U.	\$5,013,290.49	\$1,299,023.96	25.9%	\$386,344.86	7.7%	\$1,327,968.16	26.5%
SU004	Addison - Rutland S.U.	\$4,426,472.00	\$1,990,329.00	45.0%	\$924,477.00	20.9%	\$18,527.00	0.4%
SU005	Southwest Vermont S.U.	\$11,735,695.77	\$5,152,770.14	43.9%	\$1,665,367.67	14.2%	\$649,522.18	5.5%
SU006	Bennington - Rutland S.U.	\$11,707,263.00	\$1,941,012.00	16.6%	\$725,498.00	6.2%	\$214,990.00	1.8%
SU007	Colchester S.D.	\$7,424,387.00	\$3,763,041.85	50.7%	\$969,918.69	13.1%	\$288,559.72	3.9%
SU008	Caledonia North S.U.	\$5,044,178.75	\$1,840,981.78	36.5%	\$583,352.60	11.6%	\$505,021.23	10.0%
SU009	Caledonia Central S.U.	\$2,747,655.68	\$920,046.38	33.5%	\$230,128.40	8.4%	\$240,866.40	8.8%
SU010	Milton S.D.	\$6,798,118.77	\$3,093,545.20	45.5%	\$1,057,433.55	15.6%	\$55,617.87	0.8%
SU011	St Johnsbury S.D.	\$3,932,639.00	\$1,200,272.00	30.52%	\$489,370.00	12.4%	\$193,479.00	4.9%
SU012	Chittenden East S.U.	\$9,297,493.90	\$3,876,553.70	41.7%	\$1,801,308.67	19.4%	\$338,148.12	3.6%
SU013	Chittenden Central S.U.	\$9,916,091.61	\$4,160,709.89	42.0%	\$1,916,832.18	19.3%	\$502,500.72	5.1%

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SU014	Chittenden South S.U.	\$11,900,605.13	\$5,590,417.19	47.0%	\$1,672,680.53	14.1%	\$387,026.78	3.3%
SU015	Burlington S.D.	\$14,193,765.04	\$5,954,173.48	42.0%	\$1,982,918.88	14.0%	\$1,145,988.91	8.1%
SU016	South Burlington S.D.	\$9,000,474.37	\$3,738,334.52	41.5%	\$1,789,876.04	19.9%	\$415,709.39	4.6%
SU017	Winooski S.D.	\$3,387,033.00	\$1,456,238.00	43.0%	\$603,621.00	17.8%	\$140,680.00	4.2%
SU018	Essex - Caledonia S.U.	\$2,317,318.80	\$633,780.52	27.4%	\$229,578.53	9.9%	\$56,922.64	2.5%
SU019	Essex North S.U.	\$617,728.18	\$222,383.59	36.0%	\$90,165.09	14.6%	\$120,907.41	19.6%
SU020	Franklin Northeast S.U.	\$5,198,440.57	\$1,927,004.81	37.1%	\$478,031.99	9.2%	\$912,952.58	17.6%
SU021	Franklin Northwest S.U.	\$7,283,475.25	\$3,132,287.64	43.0%	\$1,112,779.66	15.3%	\$108,531.91	1.5%
SU022	Franklin West S.U.	\$4,857,086.00	\$1,670,163.00	34.4%	\$448,909.00	9.2%	\$491,403.00	10.1%
SU023	Franklin Central S.U.	\$9,514,182.10	\$4,410,952.36	46.4%	\$1,719,087.61	18.1%	\$132,502.46	1.4%
SU024	Grand Isle S.U.	\$3,117,642.03	\$1,045,141.43	33.5%	\$387,276.82	12.4%	\$103,846.69	3.3%
SU025	Lamoille North S.U.	\$6,690,842.00	\$2,258,768.00	33.8%	\$1,025,734.00	15.3%	\$886,046.00	13.2%
SU026	Lamoille South S.U.	\$5,005,713.38	\$1,760,997.24	35.2%	\$860,474.25	17.2%	\$1,110,405.16	22.2%
SU027	Orange East S.U.	\$5,258,494.95	\$2,118,699.02	40.3%	\$1,001,021.13	19.0%	\$152,702.76	2.9%
SU028	Orange Southwest S.U.	\$2,235,377.71	\$920,323.37	41.2%	\$278,506.47	12.5%	\$391.00	0.0%
SU029	Orange North S.U.	\$3,541,267.00	\$1,107,456.00	31.3%	\$345,448.00	9.8%	\$405,992.00	11.5%
SU030	Orange - Windsor S.U.	\$3,857,990.04	\$1,195,646.00	31.0%	\$490,042.00	12.7%	\$156,294.04	4.1%
SU031	North Country S.U.	\$10,082,095.10	\$3,753,978.57	37.2%	\$1,582,437.11	15.7%	\$734,357.73	7.3%

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SU032	Washington Central S.U.	\$5,851,927.27	\$2,341,217.00	40.0%	\$676,958.00	11.6%	\$1,429,111.27	24.4%
SU033	Rutland South S.U.	\$3,010,632.26	\$1,332,751.29	44.3%	\$518,785.59	17.2%	\$6,858.01	0.2%
SU034	Orleans Central S.U.	\$3,770,349.57	\$1,729,575.17	45.9%	\$789,369.69	20.9%	\$421,949.81	11.2%
SU035	Orleans Southwest S.U.	\$5,732,862.83	\$1,446,815.77	25.2%	\$577,308.76	10.1%	\$884,590.42	15.4%
SU036	Rutland Northeast S.U.	\$6,097,408.59	\$2,426,164.05	39.8%	\$1,449,617.37	23.8%	\$16,258.90	0.3%
SU037	Rutland Central S.U.	\$3,112,115.50	\$1,414,539.69	45.5%	\$544,133.43	17.5%	\$152,011.21	4.9%
SU038	Rutland Southwest S.U.	\$4,104,775.58	\$795,548.54	19.4%	\$312,803.66	7.6%	\$1,470,425.67	35.8%
SU040	Rutland City S.D.	\$9,250,444.46	\$4,031,564.57	43.6%	\$2,702,246.96	29.2%	\$181,524.24	2.0%
SU041	Washington Northeast S.U.	\$2,041,634.77	\$798,021.10	39.1%	\$391,413.87	19.2%	\$310,667.21	15.2%
SU042	Washington West S.U.	\$7,043,663.14	\$2,460,152.93	34.9%	\$1,043,353.96	14.8%	\$0.00	N/A
SU043	Washington South S.U.	\$3,090,696.81	\$813,374.00	26.3%	\$377,304.52	12.2%	\$453,110.00	14.7%
SU045	Montpelier S.D.	\$3,421,616.37	\$1,238,354.25	36.2%	\$530,905.36	15.5%	\$520,823.81	15.2%
SU046	Windham Central S.U.	\$3,658,458.05	\$593,552.19	16.2%	\$195,984.05	5.4%	\$1,365,952.26	37.3%
SU047	Windham Northeast S.U.	\$5,667,842.87	\$2,379,720.83	42.0%	\$787,458.26	13.9%	\$199,168.75	3.5%
SU048	Windham Southeast S.U.	\$10,532,524.54	\$4,301,591.00	40.8%	\$1,989,289.91	18.9%	\$86,416.28	0.8%
SU049	Windham Southwest S.U.	\$2,828,134.97	\$529,490.43	18.7%	\$211,598.59	7.5%	\$155,985.62	5.5%

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SU050	Windsor Northwest S.U.	\$2,004,570.04	\$552,864.00	27.6%	\$225,114.00	11.2%	\$174,540.04	8.7%
SU051	Windsor Central S.U.	\$2,996,185.84	\$1,354,586.17	45.2%	\$726,418.30	24.2%	\$99,344.29	3.3%
SU052	Windsor Southeast S.U.	\$4,877,703.62	\$1,266,505.97	26.0%	\$547,113.42	11.2%	\$101,913.61	2.1%
SU054	Hartford S.D.	\$6,196,955.00	\$2,709,701.00	43.7%	\$756,035.00	12.2%	\$158,999.00	2.6%
SU055	Norwich S.D.	\$1,301,419.61	\$608,331.44	46.7%	\$300,171.90	23.1%	\$8,505.35	0.7%
SU056	Springfield S.D.	\$5,593,791.00	\$1,812,313.00	32.4%	\$841,701.00	15.1%	\$35,859.00	0.6%
SU057	Blue Mountain S.D.	\$1,840,475.12	\$583,415.88	31.7%	\$190,269.45	10.3%	\$95,995.04	5.2%
SU059	Essex Town S.D.	\$5,005,736.31	\$2,636,812.21	52.7%	\$969,714.10	19.4%	\$187,603.38	3.8%
SU060	Battenkill Valley S.U.	\$1,544,069.79	\$737,170.42	47.7%	\$269,119.71	17.4%	\$3,167.32	0.2%
SU061	Barre S.D.	\$10,426,957.42	\$3,517,740.34	33.7%	\$1,072,202.40	10.3%	\$841,435.00	8.1%
SU063	Two Rivers S.U.	\$1,734,607.58	\$721,420.40	41.6%	\$400,260.02	23.1%	\$0.00	N/A
SU064	Rivendell Interstate S.D.	\$4,788,724.70	\$1,734,127.80	36.2%	\$739,303.80	15.4%	\$379,689.54	7.9%

**Table 6B**

SUID	SU/SD Name	Total (\$)	Tuition/Excess Cost (\$)	Percent of Total (%)	Related Services (\$)	Percent of Total (%)	Support Services (Instructional) (\$)	Percent of Total (%)
	<b>Statewide</b>	<b>\$322,823,041.15</b>	<b>\$54,305,124.65</b>	<b>16.8%</b>	<b>\$44,059,702.05</b>	<b>13.7%</b>	<b>\$1,666,661.09</b>	<b>0.5%</b>
SU001	Addison Northeast S.U.	\$4,547,198.13	\$304,394.79	6.7%	\$848,147.28	18.7%	\$74,511.77	1.6%
SU002	Addison Northwest S.U.	\$4,646,742.79	\$992,143.56	21.4%	\$531,300.69	11.4%	\$850.00	0.0%
SU003	Addison Central S.U.	\$5,013,290.49	\$766,929.66	15.3%	\$746,885.31	14.9%	\$6,483.59	0.1%
SU004	Addison - Rutland S.U.	\$4,426,472.00	\$326,568.00	7.4%	\$602,548.00	13.6%	\$22,031.00	0.5%
SU005	Southwest Vermont S.U.	\$11,735,695.77	\$1,311,202.11	11.2%	\$1,431,285.03	12.2%	\$141,057.50	1.2%
SU006	Bennington - Rutland S.U.	\$11,707,263.00	\$5,902,963.00	50.4%	\$1,760,265.00	15.0%	\$157,901.00	1.4%
SU007	Colchester S.D.	\$7,424,387.00	\$799,493.85	10.8%	\$877,008.03	11.8%	\$40,653.23	0.6%
SU008	Caledonia North S.U.	\$5,044,178.75	\$1,152,954.78	22.9%	\$633,446.14	12.6%	\$42,262.14	0.8%
SU009	Caledonia Central S.U.	\$2,747,655.68	\$723,067.33	26.3%	\$382,356.85	13.9%	\$7,081.67	0.3%
SU010	Milton S.D.	\$6,798,118.77	\$873,722.34	12.9%	\$995,624.32	14.7%	\$49,735.54	0.7%
SU011	St Johnsbury S.D.	\$3,932,639.00	\$1,419,525.00	36.1%	\$362,676.00	9.2%	-	-
SU012	Chittenden East S.U.	\$9,297,493.90	\$1,060,841.63	11.4%	\$1,319,286.62	14.2%	\$291,830.89	3.1%
SU013	Chittenden Central S.U.	\$9,916,091.61	\$1,440,072.91	14.5%	\$1,056,217.67	10.7%	\$24,982.64	0.3%
SU014	Chittenden South S.U.	\$11,900,605.13	\$1,155,140.70	9.7%	\$1,586,619.78	13.3%	\$9,006.83	0.1%
SU015	Burlington S.D.	\$14,193,765.04	\$2,047,076.18	14.4%	\$1,936,372.96	13.6%	\$6,703.55	0.1%
SU016	South Burlington S.D.	\$9,000,474.37	\$1,195,300.11	13.3%	\$1,035,076.49	11.5%	\$32,121.44	0.4%
SU017	Winooski S.D.	\$3,387,033.00	\$609,254.00	18.0%	\$346,532.00	10.2%	\$2,900.00	0.1%
SU018	Essex - Caledonia S.U.	\$2,317,318.80	\$863,671.88	37.3%	\$331,412.24	14.3%	\$5,447.42	0.2%
SU019	Essex North S.U.	\$617,728.18	-	-	\$63,285.10	10.2%	-	-

SUID	SU/SD Name	Total (\$)	Tuition/Excess Cost (\$)	Percent of Total (%)	Related Services (\$)	Percent of Total (%)	Support Services (Instructional) (\$)	Percent of Total (%)
SU020	Franklin Northeast S.U.	\$5,198,440.57	\$803,405.31	15.5%	\$546,263.70	10.5%	\$3,000.00	0.1%
SU021	Franklin Northwest S.U.	\$7,283,475.25	\$1,174,548.91	16.1%	\$1,018,180.08	14.0%	\$3,000.00	0.0%
SU022	Franklin West S.U.	\$4,857,086.00	\$1,234,130.00	25.4%	\$599,702.00	12.4%	\$15,433.00	0.3%
SU023	Franklin Central S.U.	\$9,514,182.10	\$903,186.55	9.5%	\$1,748,836.26	18.4%	-	-
SU024	Grand Isle S.U.	\$3,117,642.03	\$886,571.25	28.4%	\$375,873.02	12.1%	\$8,217.92	0.3%
SU025	Lamoille North S.U.	\$6,690,842.00	\$1,110,642.00	16.6%	\$759,361.00	11.4%	\$21,136.00	0.3%
SU026	Lamoille South S.U.	\$5,005,713.38	\$261,303.10	5.2%	\$767,085.01	15.3%	\$9,052.82	0.2%
SU027	Orange East S.U.	\$5,258,494.95	\$993,136.24	18.9%	\$571,159.33	10.9%	\$8,385.41	0.2%
SU028	Orange Southwest S.U.	\$2,235,377.71	\$398,254.28	17.8%	\$374,148.20	16.7%	\$10,354.78	0.5%
SU029	Orange North S.U.	\$3,541,267.00	\$800,691.00	22.6%	\$506,780.00	14.3%	\$235.00	0.0%
SU030	Orange - Windsor S.U.	\$3,857,990.04	\$745,540.00	19.3%	\$706,847.00	18.3%	\$686.00	0.0%
SU031	North Country S.U.	\$10,082,095.10	\$1,669,484.09	16.6%	\$1,281,596.79	12.7%	\$262,947.57	2.6%
SU032	Washington Central S.U.	\$5,851,927.27	\$249,883.00	4.3%	\$767,269.00	13.1%	-	-
SU033	Rutland South S.U.	\$3,010,632.26	\$133,694.32	4.4%	\$731,144.49	24.3%	\$3,639.99	0.1%
SU034	Orleans Central S.U.	\$3,770,349.57	\$250,200.64	6.6%	\$321,670.93	8.5%	\$910.66	0.0%
SU035	Orleans Southwest S.U.	\$5,732,862.83	\$1,497,983.75	26.1%	\$771,006.96	13.5%	\$3,404.92	0.1%
SU036	Rutland Northeast S.U.	\$6,097,408.59	\$557,870.71	9.2%	\$1,031,459.35	16.9%	-	-
SU037	Rutland Central S.U.	\$3,112,115.50	\$385,785.45	12.4%	\$437,661.01	14.1%	\$4,608.34	0.2%
SU038	Rutland Southwest S.U.	\$4,104,775.58	\$415,195.99	10.1%	\$804,038.48	19.6%	\$3,807.68	0.1%
SU040	Rutland City S.D.	\$9,250,444.46	\$262,435.70	2.8%	\$918,273.30	9.9%	\$39,554.41	0.4%



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SU041	Washington Northeast S.U.	\$2,041,634.77	\$145,531.00	7.1%	\$2,544.22	0.1%	\$11,319.58	0.6%
SU042	Washington West S.U.	\$7,043,663.14	\$1,643,395.50	23.3%	\$1,243,342.50	17.7%	\$12,452.44	0.2%
SU043	Washington South S.U.	\$3,090,696.81	\$878,626.00	28.4%	\$211,487.00	6.8%	\$2,084.00	0.1%
SU045	Montpelier S.D.	\$3,421,616.37	\$363,767.44	10.6%	\$370,305.88	10.8%	-	-
SU046	Windham Central S.U.	\$3,658,458.05	\$678,820.39	18.6%	\$446,651.33	12.2%	-	-
SU047	Windham Northeast S.U.	\$5,667,842.87	\$753,896.86	13.3%	\$854,634.30	15.1%	\$3,066.07	0.1%
SU048	Windham Southeast S.U.	\$10,532,524.54	\$1,973,155.12	18.7%	\$1,189,860.30	11.3%	\$130,010.20	1.2%
SU049	Windham Southwest S.U.	\$2,828,134.97	\$1,184,528.50	41.9%	\$393,461.00	13.9%	\$2,035.88	0.1%
SU050	Windsor Northwest S.U.	\$2,004,570.04	\$564,182.00	28.1%	\$272,014.00	13.6%	-	-
SU051	Windsor Central S.U.	\$2,996,185.84	\$143,981.25	4.8%	\$391,100.92	13.1%	\$210.00	0.0%
SU052	Windsor Southeast S.U.	\$4,877,703.62	\$1,588,912.63	32.6%	\$724,872.18	14.9%	\$30,996.02	0.6%
SU054	Hartford S.D.	\$6,196,955.00	\$1,040,498.00	16.8%	\$1,262,344.00	20.4%	\$51,045.00	0.8%
SU055	Norwich S.D.	\$1,301,419.61	\$156,526.32	12.0%	\$180,972.35	13.9%	-	-
SU056	Springfield S.D.	\$5,593,791.00	\$1,488,673.00	26.6%	\$860,628.00	15.4%	-	-
SU057	Blue Mountain S.D	\$1,840,475.12	\$442,504.72	24.0%	\$279,415.27	15.2%	\$11,837.34	0.6%
SU059	Essex Town S.D.	\$5,005,736.31	\$109,737.19	2.2%	\$723,830.41	14.5%	\$66,579.80	1.3%
SU060	Battenkill Valley S.U.	\$1,544,069.79	\$33,478.99	2.2%	\$344,961.45	22.3%	-	-
SU061	Barre S.D.	\$10,426,957.42	\$2,484,531.48	23.8%	\$1,518,626.34	14.6%	\$5,842.98	0.1%
SU063	Two Rivers S.U.	\$1,734,607.58	\$126,845.36	7.3%	\$201,763.37	11.6%	\$25,247.07	1.5%

SUID	SU/SD Name	Total (\$)	Tuition/Excess Cost (\$)	Percent of Total (%)	Related Services (\$)	Percent of Total (%)	Support Services (Instructional) (\$)	Percent of Total (%)
SU064	Rivendell Interstate S.D.	\$4,788,724.70	\$825,268.78	17.2%	\$702,185.81	14.7%	-	-

**Special Education Student Population Data:**

Child count and ADM are both down slightly from FY 15 by 0.5% and 1.7% respectively, but child count as percent of ADM increased slightly, by 0.1%, from 15.7% of ADM to 15.8%. Also, the decrease in ADM is greater than the decrease in child count. An increase in child count relative to ADM is an explanation for higher increases in costs per ADM relative to overall costs or costs per child count.

**Table 7: Percentage of total ADM represented by special education students 2014-15 and 2015-16**

SU/SD ID	SU/SD Name	6-21 Child Count (2014-15)	6-21 Child Count (2015-16)	6-21 Child Count Change (%)	6-21 ADM (2014-15)	6-21 ADM (2015-16)	6-21 ADM Change (%)	Child Count of ADM (2014-15)	Child Count of ADM (2015-16)	Child Count of ADM Change (%)
	<b>Statewide</b>	<b>12,612</b>	<b>12,554</b>	<b>-0.5%</b>	<b>81,373.48</b>	<b>79,995.88</b>	<b>-1.7%</b>	<b>15.74</b>	<b>15.84</b>	<b>0.6%</b>
SU001	Addison Northeast S.U.	193	174	-9.8%	1,493.61	1438.56	-3.7%	12.92	12.1	-6.3%
SU002	Addison Northwest S.U.	166	154	-7.2%	1,004.20	952.65	-5.1%	16.53	16.17	-2.2%
SU003	Addison Central S.U.	202	200	-1.0%	1,653.17	1639.01	-0.9%	12.22	12.2	-0.2%
SU004	Addison - Rutland S.U.	190	202	6.3%	1,312.18	1283.86	-2.2%	14.48	15.73	8.6%
SU005	Southwest Vermont S.U.	589	613	4.1%	2,975.04	2933.74	-1.4%	19.8	20.89	5.5%
SU006	Bennington - Rutland S.U.	348	337	-3.2%	2,087.70	2040.87	-2.2%	16.67	16.51	-1.0%
SU007	Colchester S.D.	282	276	-2.1%	2,053.36	2071.76	0.9%	13.73	13.32	-3.0%
SU008	Caledonia North S.U.	224	224	0.0%	1,350.85	1289.11	-4.6%	16.58	17.38	4.8%
SU009	Caledonia Central S.U.	102	103	1.0%	778.54	773.93	-0.6%	13.1	13.31	1.6%
SU010	Milton S.D.	203	229	12.8%	1,542.54	1484.84	-3.7%	13.16	15.42	17.2%
SU011	St Johnsbury S.D.	171	183	7.0%	995.46	1019.8	2.4%	17.18	17.94	4.4%
SU012	Chittenden East S.U.	319	306	-4.1%	2,457.40	2362.71	-3.9%	12.98	12.95	-0.2%

SU/SD ID	SU/SD Name	6-21 Child Count (2014-15)	6-21 Child Count (2015-16)	6-21 Child Count Change (%)	6-21 ADM (2014-15)	6-21 ADM (2015-16)	6-21 ADM Change (%)	Child Count of ADM (2014-15)	Child Count of ADM (2015-16)	Child Count of ADM Change (%)
SU013	Chittenden Central S.U.	289	295	2.1%	2,349.20	2317.01	-1.4%	12.3	12.73	3.5%
SU014	Chittenden South S.U.	433	425	-1.8%	3,901.02	3781.96	-3.1%	11.1	11.24	1.3%
SU015	Burlington S.D.	480	364	-24.2%	3528.79	3545.23	0.5%	13.6	10.27	-24.5%
SU016	South Burlington S.D.	229	227	-0.9%	2193.84	2167.05	-1.2%	10.44	10.48	0.4%
SU017	Winooski S.D.	131	151	15.3%	726.35	741.38	2.1%	18.04	20.37	12.9%
SU018	Essex - Caledonia S.U.	98	93	-5.1%	725.95	707.5	-2.5%	13.5	13.14	-2.7%
SU019	Essex North S.U.	23	21	-8.7%	169.45	180.5	6.5%	13.57	11.63	-14.3%
SU020	Franklin Northeast S.U.	241	240	-0.4%	1491.27	1454.92	-2.4%	16.16	16.5	2.1%
SU021	Franklin Northwest S.U.	332	347	4.5%	2081.56	2031.53	-2.4%	15.95	17.08	7.1%
SU022	Franklin West S.U.	261	284	8.8%	1790.63	1768.45	-1.2%	14.58	16.06	10.2%
SU023	Franklin Central S.U.	428	435	1.6%	2373.93	2315.29	-2.5%	18.03	18.79	4.2%
SU024	Grand Isle S.U.	130	126	-3.1%	857.12	859.29	0.3%	15.17	14.66	-3.4%
SU025	Lamoille North S.U.	282	266	-5.7%	1717.86	1655.77	-3.6%	16.42	16.07	-2.1%
SU026	Lamoille South S.U.	179	205	14.5%	1478.27	1521.33	2.9%	12.11	13.48	11.3%
SU027	Orange East S.U.	227	223	-1.8%	1327.73	1331.65	0.3%	17.1	16.75	-2.0%
SU028	Orange Southwest S.U.	136	137	0.7%	857.52	817.04	-4.7%	15.86	16.77	5.7%
SU029	Orange North S.U.	157	129	-17.8%	767.69	739.86	-3.6%	20.45	17.44	-14.7%
SU030	Orange - Windsor S.U.	164	181	10.4%	998.68	1039.7	4.1%	16.42	17.41	6.0%
SU031	North Country S.U.	549	570	3.8%	2531.53	2470.83	-2.4%	21.69	23.07	6.4%
SU032	Washington Central S.U.	182	185	1.6%	1386.4	1375.95	-0.8%	13.13	13.45	2.4%
SU033	Rutland South S.U.	106	97	-8.5%	752.87	736.88	-2.1%	14.08	13.16	-6.5%
SU034	Orleans Central S.U.	181	192	6.1%	1015.99	987.42	-2.8%	17.82	19.44	9.1%
SU035	Orleans Southwest S.U.	167	187	12.0%	1067.13	1078.81	1.1%	15.65	17.33	10.7%
SU036	Rutland Northeast S.U.	209	219	4.8%	1466.15	1462.65	-0.2%	14.26	14.97	5.0%
SU037	Rutland Central S.U.	156	150	-3.8%	1087.84	1034.49	-4.9%	14.34	14.5	1.1%
SU038	Rutland Southwest S.U.	124	119	-4.0%	661.47	639.98	-3.2%	18.75	18.59	-0.9%

SU/SD ID	SU/SD Name	6-21 Child Count (2014-15)	6-21 Child Count (2015-16)	6-21 Child Count Change (%)	6-21 ADM (2014-15)	6-21 ADM (2015-16)	6-21 ADM Change (%)	Child Count of ADM (2014-15)	Child Count of ADM (2015-16)	Child Count of ADM Change (%)
SU040	Rutland City S.D.	329	325	-1.2%	1949.28	1912.41	-1.9%	16.88	16.99	0.7%
SU041	Washington Northeast S.U.	74	75	1.4%	538.92	501.44	-7.0%	13.73	14.96	9.0%
SU042	Washington West S.U.	242	245	1.2%	1715.23	1700.82	-0.8%	14.11	14.4	2.1%
SU043	Washington South S.U.	133	124	-6.8%	610.27	611.07	0.1%	21.79	20.29	-6.9%
SU045	Montpelier S.D.	104	103	-1.0%	925.3	955.12	3.2%	11.24	10.78	-4.1%
SU046	Windham Central S.U.	147	158	7.5%	946.29	940.17	-0.6%	15.53	16.81	8.2%
SU047	Windham Northeast S.U.	229	217	-5.2%	1200.87	1190.5	-0.9%	19.07	18.23	-4.4%
SU048	Windham Southeast S.U.	418	399	-4.5%	2409.55	2331.59	-3.2%	17.35	17.11	-1.4%
SU049	Windham Southwest S.U.	103	92	-10.7%	683.87	644.4	-5.8%	15.06	14.28	-5.2%
SU050	Windsor Northwest S.U.	85	71	-16.5%	524.38	497.89	-5.1%	16.21	14.26	-12.0%
SU051	Windsor Central S.U.	111	117	5.4%	867.19	857.69	-1.1%	12.8	13.64	6.6%
SU052	Windsor Southeast S.U.	152	158	3.9%	1348	1308.47	-2.9%	11.28	12.08	7.1%
SU054	Hartford S.D.	289	285	-1.4%	1348.79	1330.96	-1.3%	21.43	21.41	-0.1%
SU055	Norwich S.D.	25	56	124.0%	602	589.05	-2.2%	4.15	9.51	129.2%
SU056	Springfield S.D.	202	215	6.4%	1183.35	1169.7	-1.2%	17.07	18.38	7.7%
SU057	Blue Mountain S.D.	78	70	-10.3%	367.27	370.07	0.8%	21.24	18.92	-10.9%
SU059	Essex Town S.D.	187	183	-2.1%	1191.19	1186.54	-0.4%	15.7	15.42	-1.8%
SU060	Battenkill Valley S.U.	75	72	-4.0%	407.41	382.15	-6.2%	18.41	18.84	2.3%
SU061	Barre S.D.	476	468	-1.7%	2265.67	2175.6	-4.0%	21.01	21.51	2.4%
SU063	Two Rivers S.U.	206	205	-0.5%	1018.14	1012.93	-0.5%	20.23	20.24	0.0%
SU064	Rivendell Interstate S.D.	64	47	-26.6%	260.22	274	5.3%	24.59	17.15	-30.3%

Many disability categories have shown few changes measured as percent of all students with active IEPs. However, autism spectrum disorders, multiple disabilities, and developmental delay are three categories showing increases in both student count and as percentage of students with active IEPs. Autism spectrum disorders and multiple disabilities are two categories typically associated with high costs. In terms of student count, autism disorders increased 14.5% between 2011 and 2015, and multiple disabilities increased 26.0%. Developmental delay, which increased 5.0% in terms of student count, is a designation for students evaluated under the age of six, and does not differentiate disability type.

*Note: Four disability categories, Orthopedic Impairment, Traumatic Brain Injury, Visually Impaired, and Deaf-Blindness have percentages of total active IEP students of less than one percent; much of these data are suppressed to protect student privacy, and were omitted from the table.*

**Table 8A: Count and Percentage of Students by Disability Category**

Year	Total Students with Active IEPs	Specific Learning Disability Student Count	Specific Learning Disability as Percent of Total	Developmental Delay Student Count	Developmental Delay as Percent of Total	Other Health Impairment Student Count	Other Health Impairment as Percent of Total	Emotional Disturbance Student Count	Emotional Disturbance as Percent of Total
2011	13,814	3,967	32.4%	2,464	20.1%	1,990	16.2%	1,880	15.3%
2012	13,851	3,886	31.7%	2,537	20.7%	2,048	16.7%	1,931	15.8%
2013	13,885	3,806	31.1%	2,547	20.8%	2,144	17.5%	1,980	16.2%
2014	13,991	3,825	31.2%	2,637	21.5%	2,207	18.0%	2,021	16.5%
2015	13,831	3,831	31.3%	2,596	21.2%	2,222	18.1%	1,959	16.0%

**Table 8B: Count and Percentage of Students by Disability Category**

Year	Total Students with Active IEPs	Speech / Language Impairment Student Count	Speech / Language Impairment as Percent of Total	Autism Spectrum Disorder Student Count	Autism Spectrum Disorder as Percent of Total	Intellectual Disability Student Count	Intellectual Disability as Percent of Total	Multiple Disabilities Student Count	Multiple Disabilities as Percent of Total
2011	1,3814	1,403	11.5%	922	7.5%	778	6.4%	179	1.5%
2012	1,3851	1,306	10.7%	962	7.9%	752	6.1%	206	1.7%
2013	1,3885	1,277	10.4%	1,000	8.2%	714	5.8%	218	1.8%
2014	1,3991	1,191	9.7%	1,004	8.2%	687	5.6%	229	1.9%
2015	1,3831	1,099	9.0%	1,055	8.6%	675	5.5%	226	1.8%

In FY16 of 12,554 child count 576, or 4.6% of child count are placed in separate schools, 137, or 1.1% are placed in residential facilities, with a total of 713 child count or 5.6% placed out of district.

**Table 9: Placement of Special Education Students 2015-1016**

SU ID	SU Name	Separate School Count	Separate School % of ADM	Separate School % of Child Count	Residential School Count	Residential % of ADM	Residential % of Child Count	Total: Out of District Placement Count	Total: Out of District % of ADM	Total: Out of District % of Child Count
	<b>State Total / Average</b>	576	0.7%	4.6%	137	0.17%	1.1%	713	0.9%	5.6%
SU001	Addison Northeast S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU002	Addison Northwest S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	12	1.3%	7.8%
SU003	Addison Central S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU004	Addison - Rutland S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU005	Southwest Vermont S.U.	24	0.8%	3.9%	12	0.4%	2.0%	36	1.2%	5.9%
SU006	Bennington - Rutland S.U.	22	1.1%	6.5%	***	***	***	27	1.3%	8.0%
SU007	Colchester S.D.	13	0.6%	4.7%	***	***	***	14	0.7%	5.1%
SU008	Caledonia North S.U.	12	0.9%	5.4%	***	***	***	15	1.2%	6.7%
SU009	Caledonia Central S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	11	1.4%	10.7%
SU010	Milton S.D.	***	***	***	***	***	***	11	0.7%	4.8%
SU011	St Johnsbury S.D.	14	1.4%	7.7%	***	***	***	16	1.6%	8.7%
SU012	Chittenden East S.U.	25	1.1%	8.2%	***	***	***	27	1.1%	8.8%
SU013	Chittenden Central S.U.	21	0.9%	7.1%	***	***	***	24	1.0%	8.1%
SU014	Chittenden South S.U.	17	0.5%	4.0%	***	***	***	22	0.6%	5.2%

SU ID	SU Name	Separate School Count	Separate School % of ADM	Separate School % of Child Count	Residential School Count	Residential % of ADM	Residential % of Child Count	Total: Out of District Placement Count	Total: Out of District % of ADM	Total: Out of District % of Child Count
SU015	Burlington S.D.	24	0.7%	6.6%	***	***	***	26	0.7%	7.1%
SU016	South Burlington S.D.	22	1.0%	9.7%	0	0.0%	0.0%	22	1.0%	9.7%
SU017	Winooski S.D.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU018	Essex - Caledonia S.U.	***	***	***	0	0.0%	0.0%	***	***	***
SU019	Essex North S.U.		0.0%	0.00%	0	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
SU020	Franklin Northeast S.U.	13	0.9%	5.4%	***	***	***	15	1.0%	6.3%
SU021	Franklin Northwest S.U.	13	0.6%	3.8%	0	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.6%	3.8%
SU022	Franklin West S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	12	0.7%	4.2%
SU023	Franklin Central S.U.	13	0.6%	299.0%	***	***	***	22	1.0%	5.1%
SU024	Grand Isle S.U.	***	***	***	0	0.0%	0.0%	***	***	***
SU025	Lamoille North S.U.	15	0.9%	5.6%	***	***	***	17	1.0%	6.4%
SU026	Lamoille South S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU027	Orange East S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU028	Orange Southwest S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU029	Orange North S.U.	***	***	***	0	0.0%	0.0%	***	***	***
SU030	Orange - Windsor S.U.	13	1.3%	7.2%	***	***	***	14	1.4%	7.7%
SU031	North Country S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***



SU ID	SU Name	Separate School Count	Separate School % of ADM	Separate School % of Child Count	Residential School Count	Residential % of ADM	Residential % of Child Count	Total: Out of District Placement Count	Total: Out of District % of ADM	Total: Out of District % of Child Count
SU032	Washington Central S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	11	0.8%	6.0%
SU033	Rutland South S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU034	Orleans Central S.U.	***	***	***	0	0.0%	0.0%	***	***	***
SU035	Orleans Southwest S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	22	2.0%	11.8%
SU036	Rutland Northeast S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU037	Rutland Central S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU038	Rutland Southwest S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU040	Rutland City S.D.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU041	Washington Northeast S.U.	***	***	***	0	0.0%	0.0%	***	***	***
SU042	Washington West S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	15	0.9%	6.1%
SU043	Washington South S.U.	12	2.0%	9.7%	0	0.0%	0.0%	12	2.0%	9.7%
SU045	Montpelier S.D.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU046	Windham Central S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	17	1.8%	10.8%
SU047	Windham Northeast S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU048	Windham Southeast S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	37	1.6%	9.3%

SU ID	SU Name	Separate School Count	Separate School % of ADM	Separate School % of Child Count	Residential School Count	Residential % of ADM	Residential % of Child Count	Total: Out of District Placement Count	Total: Out of District % of ADM	Total: Out of District % of Child Count
SU049	Windham Southwest S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU050	Windsor Northwest S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU051	Windsor Central S.U.	***	***	***	0	0.0%	0.0%	***	***	***
SU052	Windsor Southeast S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU054	Hartford S.D.	11	0.8%	3.9%	***	***	***	16	1.2%	5.6%
SU055	Norwich S.D.	***	***	***	0	0.0%	0.0%	***	***	***
SU056	Springfield S.D.	14	1.2%	6.5%	0	0.0%	0.0%	14	1.2%	6.5%
SU057	Blue Mountain S.D.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU059	Essex Town S.D.	***	***	***	0	0.0%	0.0%	***	***	***
SU060	Battenkill Valley S.U.		0.0%	0.0%	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU061	Barre S.D.	32	1.5%	6.8%	***	***	***	39	1.8%	8.3%
SU063	Two Rivers S.U.	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
SU064	Rivendell Interstate S.D.	***	***	***	0	0.0%	0.0%	***	***	***

\*\*\* = data are suppressed to protect student data privacy

**Comment 1:** The low numbers of students in the Supervisory Unions/Districts across the state in separate schools and residential placement necessitates suppression of the data to maintain student privacy, with a majority of Supervisory Union/District data unreportable. When these data are further broken down into disability categories by placement, there are very few Supervisory Unions/Districts with reportable data.

**Comment 2:** There are no notable unusual community characteristics relevant to special education placements.

There have been both increases and decreases in student count for most high and low spending Supervisory Unions/Districts in the three most recent years, ranging from less than one percent to over twenty percent. However, there does not appear to be a clear relationship between population changes and high/low spending designations. Between 2011-12 and 2015-16, 19 Supervisory Unions/Districts were designated as high spending in at least one year, and 12 designated low spending in at least one year. In general, there is a fair amount of consistency in both numbers of Supervisory Unions/Districts designated as low or high spending in a given year, and in the Supervisory Unions/Districts that are so designated.

Over time, there has been a slight decrease in the number of Supervisory Unions/Districts designated as high or low, from 18 total in 2012-13 and 2013-14, to 15 in 2015-16. However, the number of designated high/low Supervisory Unions/Districts is too small to draw definitive conclusions about trends. Also, as is always the case with establishing a threshold, there are several Supervisory Unions/Districts that are only slightly above or below the thresholds for designation as “low” or “high” spending. In some cases, particularly where populations are small, a single circumstance can affect percentages of spending in relation to the state wide average per ADM, which is used to determine spending status.

In 2015-16 there are seven low spending Supervisory Unions/Districts, and eight high spending Supervisory Unions/Districts, with a total of 15 identified Supervisory Unions/Districts. Of the low spending Supervisory Unions/Districts 4 have been low spending for four previous years, and three have been low for five years. For the high spending Supervisory Unions/Districts one has been high for five years, three were high for three previous years, two high for two previous years, and one is high for the first time in 2015-16.

**Table 10: SY2012-SY2016 High and Low Spending Supervisory Unions/Districts with K-12 Child Count by SU**

KEY
Low
High

SUID	SU Name	2011-2012 Child Count	2012-2013 Child Count	2013-2014 Child Count	2014-2015 Child Count	2015-2016 Child Count
SU001	Addison Northeast	200	196	201	193	174
SU002	Addison Northwest	172	163	163	166	154
SU003	Addison Central	197	195	207	202	200
SU004	Addison-Rutland	204	208	198	190	202
SU005	Southwest Vermont	563	580	574	589	613
SU006	Bennington-Rutland	254	232	327	348	337
SU007	Colchester	236	226	251	282	276
SU008	Caledonia North	216	219	229	224	224
SU009	Caledonia Central	98	95	97	102	103
SU010	Milton	221	201	205	203	229
SU011	St. Johnsbury	176	168	174	171	183
SU012	Chittenden East	326	321	321	319	306
SU013	Chittenden Central	294	288	301	289	295
SU014	Chittenden South	435	436	423	433	425
SU015	Burlington	433	459	490	480	364
SU016	South Burlington	230	230	235	229	227
SU017	Winooski	134	121	121	131	151
SU018	Essex-Caledonia	87	89	89	98	93
SU019	Essex North	22	24	28	23	21
SU020	Franklin Northeast	228	235	234	241	240
SU021	Franklin Northwest	369	341	339	332	347
SU022	Franklin West	220	237	250	261	284
SU023	Franklin Central	437	427	414	428	435
SU024	Grand Isle	151	150	143	130	126
SU025	Lamoille North	292	277	276	282	266
SU026	Lamoille South	158	174	184	179	205
SU027	Orange East	213	227	237	227	223
SU028	Orange Southwest	170	152	147	136	137
SU029	Orange North	136	149	154	157	129
SU030	Orange-Windsor	183	203	181	164	181
SU031	North Country	562	565	556	549	570
SU032	Washington Central	183	159	176	182	185
SU033	Rutland South	114	85	97	106	97
SU034	Orleans Central	167	163	175	181	192

SUID	SU Name	2011-2012 Child Count	2012-2013 Child Count	2013-2014 Child Count	2014-2015 Child Count	2015-2016 Child Count
SU035	Orleans Southwest	159	158	165	167	187
SU036	Rutland Northeast	254	224	209	209	219
SU037	Rutland Central	144	147	145	156	150
SU038	Rutland Southwest	104	122	129	124	119
SU039	Rutland Windsor	72	80			
SU040	Rutland City	322	324	341	329	325
SU041	Washington Northeast	71	73	76	74	75
SU042	Washington West	265	268	259	242	245
SU043	Washington South	102	117	118	133	124
SU045	Montpelier	110	123	104	104	103
SU046	Windham Central	160	164	137	147	158
SU047	Windham Northeast	226	235	231	229	217
SU048	Windham Southeast	459	433	425	418	399
SU049	Windham Southwest	114	116	104	103	92
SU050	Windsor Northwest	80	78	88	85	71
SU051	Windsor Central	109	123	118	111	117
SU052	Windsor Southeast	153	159	168	152	158
SU053	Windsor Southwest	167	171			
SU054	Hartford	259	267	266	289	285
SU055	Norwich	69	61	56	25	56
SU056	Springfield	234	233	214	202	215
SU057	Blue Mountain	70	76	69	78	70
SU059	Essex Town	128	143	154	187	183
SU060	Battenkill Valley	49	58	64	75	72
SU061	Barre	388	446	463	476	468
SU063	Two Rivers			189	206	205
SU064	Rivendell (VT towns)	46	42	50	64	47

**Staffing Data:**

Statewide, Special Education Teachers (serving ages 6-21 only) increased by 2.4% from 1,198.6 FTEs employed in FY15 to 1,227.6 FTEs employed in FY16.

Special Education Paraprofessionals (serving ages 6-21 only) decreased 4.8% to 2,757.4 FTEs employed in FY16, from 2,894.8 FTEs employed in FY15, and total personnel (serving ages 6-21) decreased 2.7% to 3,984.9 FTEs employed in FY16, from 4,093.4 FTEs employed in FY15.

Depending on the ratio between the higher cost of teachers in relation to the cost of paraprofessionals, the overall decrease in personnel could result in an increase in teaching staff costs, affecting the overall 3.2% (adjusted for inflation) increase in expenditures seen in Table 3 above. (-0.5% change in child count, Table 7). In addition, cost per child count increased, one factor being that child count decreased by 0.5%, while costs for personnel may have increased in spite of decreased overall personnel numbers.

**Table 11: Special Education Staffing 2014-15 and 2015-16**

SU ID	SU Name	6-21 Teacher FTE Count	6-21 Teacher FTE Count	6-21 Teacher FTE Count Change (%)	6-21 Para FTE Count	6-21 Para FTE Count	6-21 Para FTE Count Change (%)	Total 6-21 Personnel FTE	Total 6-21 Personnel FTE	Total 6- 21 Personnel FTE (%)
		2014-15	2015-16		2014-15	2015-16		2014-15	2015-16	(%)
	<b>Statewide Total</b>	<b>1198.59</b>	<b>1227.57</b>	<b>2.4%</b>	<b>2894.76</b>	<b>2757.35</b>	<b>-4.8%</b>	<b>4093.35</b>	<b>3984.92</b>	<b>-2.7%</b>
SU001	Addison Northeast S.U.	18.2	20.2	11.0%	46.09	41.83	-9.2%	64.29	62.03	-3.5%
SU002	Addison Northwest S.U.	14.13	18	27.4%	33.6	25.87	-23.0%	47.73	43.87	-8.1%
SU003	Addison Central S.U.	19.7	19.8	0.5%	49.4	34.83	-29.5%	69.1	54.63	-20.9%
SU004	Addison - Rutland S.U.	19	19	0.0%	57	50	-12.3%	76	69	-9.2%
SU005	Southwest Vermont S.U.	57	55	-3.5%	109.5	113	3.2%	166.5	168	0.9%
SU006	Bennington - Rutland S.U.	18.5	19.75	6.8%	50	45.3	-9.4%	68.5	65.05	-5.0%
SU007	Colchester S.D.	23	24	4.4%	99	95.5	-3.5%	122	119.5	-2.1%
SU008	Caledonia North S.U.	20.5	18	-12.2%	28	32	14.3%	48.5	50	3.1%
SU009	Caledonia Central S.U.	9.5	10.5	10.5%	17	17	0.0%	26.5	27.5	3.8%
SU010	Milton S.D.	33	29	-12.1%	48	51	6.3%	81	80	-1.2%
SU011	St Johnsbury S.D.	11	11	0.0%	30.5	33	8.2%	41.5	44	6.0%
SU012	Chittenden East S.U.	35.2	35.4	0.6%	73	77.41	6.0%	108.2	112.81	4.3%
SU013	Chittenden Central S.U.	29.3	29.4	0.3%	81.5	82.8	1.6%	110.8	112.2	1.3%
SU014	Chittenden South S.U.	46.9	45.6	-2.8%	114.93	117.57	2.3%	161.83	163.17	0.8%
SU015	Burlington S.D.	61.65	49	-20.5%	134	122	-9.0%	195.65	171	-12.6%
SU016	South Burlington S.D.	29.9	36.1	20.7%	72.5	53.5	-26.2%	102.4	89.6	-12.5%
SU017	Winooski S.D.	12.5	13.5	8.0%	31	35.13	13.3%	43.5	48.63	11.8%
SU018	Essex - Caledonia S.U.	6	7	16.7%	16.5	24	45.5%	22.5	31	37.8%
SU019	Essex North S.U.	3	3	0.0%	8.78	4.56	-48.1%	11.78	7.56	-35.82%
SU020	Franklin Northeast S.U.	22.95	22.9	-0.2%	65	46.25	-28.9%	87.95	69.15	-21.4%

SU ID	SU Name	6-21 Teacher FTE Count	6-21 Teacher FTE Count	6-21 Teacher FTE Count Change (%)	6-21 Para FTE Count	6-21 Para FTE Count	6-21 Para FTE Count	Total 6-21 Personnel FTE	Total 6-21 Personnel FTE	Total 6- 21 Personnel FTE
		2014-15	2015-16		2014-15	2015-16	Change (%)	2014-15	2015-16	(%)
SU021	Franklin Northwest S.U.	30	35	16.7%	95	90.13	-5.1%	125	125.13	0.1%
SU022	Franklin West S.U.	16.9	14	-17.2%	57.35	60.2	5.0%	74.25	74.2	-0.1%
SU023	Franklin Central S.U.	43.9	42.9	-2.3%	100.68	87.68	-12.9%	144.58	130.58	-9.7%
SU024	Grand Isle S.U.	7.8	8.5	9.0%	28.4	26.1	-8.1%	36.2	34.6	-4.4%
SU025	Lamoille North S.U.	24.46	23.46	-4.09%	70.72	61.38	-13.2%	95.18	84.84	-10.9%
SU026	Lamoille South S.U.	15.5	15	-3.2%	48.75	45.3	-7.1%	64.25	60.3	-6.2%
SU027	Orange East S.U.	17	16.9	-0.6%	63.75	66.08	3.7%	80.75	82.98	2.8%
SU028	Orange Southwest S.U.	12.5	12.5	0.0%	15.5	13.5	-12.9%	28	26	-7.1%
SU029	Orange North S.U.	11.4	12.5	9.7%	31	27	-12.9%	42.4	39.5	-6.8%
SU030	Orange - Windsor S.U.	10.3	15.75	52.9%	26.43	39	47.6%	36.73	54.75	49.1%
SU031	North Country S.U.	49.18	50.18	2.0%	88	94.6	7.5%	137.18	144.78	5.5%
SU032	Washington Central S.U.	23.7	23.7	0.0%	37.75	37.75	0.0%	61.45	61.45	0.0%
SU033	Rutland South S.U.	16	30	87.5%	30	27.5	-8.3%	46	57.5	25.0%
SU034	Orleans Central S.U.	17.9	16.85	-5.9%	43.5	48	10.3%	61.4	64.85	5.6%
SU035	Orleans Southwest S.U.	16.03	16.22	1.2%	29	26.5	-8.6%	45.03	42.72	-5.1%
SU036	Rutland Northeast S.U.	9	40	344.0%	63.43	58.57	-7.7%	72.43	98.57	36.1%
SU037	Rutland Central S.U.	14.6	14.6	0.0%	36.9	29.83	-19.2%	51.5	44.43	-13.7%
SU038	Rutland Southwest S.U.	8.4	8.4	0.0%	29.5	26.56	-10.0%	37.9	34.96	-7.8%
SU040	Rutland City S.D.	48	47	-2.1%	93	82	-11.8%	141	129	-8.5%
SU041	Washington Northeast S.U.	8.1	8	-1.2%	17.85	19.14	7.2%	25.95	27.14	4.6%
SU042	Washington West S.U.	29.25	22.98	-21.4%	41.36	52	25.7%	70.61	74.98	6.2%
SU043	Washington South S.U.	10	8.5	-15.0%	15.9	14.1	-11.3%	25.9	22.6	-12.7%



SU ID	SU Name	6-21 Teacher FTE Count	6-21 Teacher FTE Count	6-21 Teacher FTE Count Change (%)	6-21 Para FTE Count	6-21 Para FTE Count	6-21 Para FTE Count Change (%)	Total 6-21 Personnel FTE	Total 6-21 Personnel FTE	Total 6- 21 Personnel FTE (%)
		2014-15	2015-16		2014-15	2015-16		2014-15	2015-16	(%)
SU045	Montpelier S.D.	12	14	16.7%	30.25	22.18	-26.7%	42.25	36.18	-14.4%
SU046	Windham Central S.U.	9.2	10	8.7%	28.61	32.34	13.0%	37.81	42.34	12.0%
SU047	Windham Northeast S.U.	24	22.7	-5.4%	52.13	60.09	15.3%	76.13	82.79	8.8%
SU048	Windham Southeast S.U.	45.5	45.5	0.0%	71	90.3	27.2%	116.5	135.8	16.6%
SU049	Windham Southwest S.U.	12.5	12	-4.0%	27.3	25.25	-7.5%	39.8	37.25	-6.4%
SU050	Windsor Northwest S.U.	4	0	-100.0%	16.5	0	-100.0%	20.5	0	-100.0%
SU051	Windsor Central S.U.	12.94	12.6	-2.6%	30.72	23.69	-22.9%	43.66	36.29	-16.9%
SU052	Windsor Southeast S.U.	11.6	10.8	-6.9%	31	37	19.4%	42.6	47.8	12.2%
SU054	Hartford S.D.	28	25	-10.7%	41	39.4	-3.9%	69	64.4	-6.7%
SU055	Norwich S.D.	4.8	5.38	12.1%	14.97	14.95	-0.1%	19.77	20.33	2.8%
SU056	Springfield S.D.	19	16	-15.8%	68.53	20	-70.8%	87.53	36	-58.9%
SU057	Blue Mountain S.D	5.5	6	9.1%	18.6	16.38	-11.9%	24.1	22.38	-7.1%
SU059	Essex Town S.D.	14.7	16	8.8%	65.88	62.3	-5.4%	80.58	78.3	-2.8%
SU060	Battenkill Valley S.U.	6	6.5	8.3%	13	13	0.0%	19	19.5	2.6%
SU061	Barre S.D.	36	34	-5.6%	91	90	-1.1%	127	124	-2.4%
SU063	Two Rivers S.U.	15	15	0.0%	45.2	55	21.7%	60.2	70	16.3%
SU064	Rivendell Interstate S.D.	7	7	0.0%	20	20	0.0%	27	27	0.0%

Child count to personnel ratios vary, ranging from 3.2 to 20.3 child count to FTE teachers, 2.4 to 10.8 child count to FTE paraprofessionals, and 1.7 to 6.0 child count to total FTE personnel. Compared to the state average child count to total personnel ratios range from 1.6 FTE below the statewide average to 2.7 FTE above. Child count to teacher ratios, compared to the state average range from 7.6 FTE below to 9.5 above, and for child count to paraprofessional ratios the range is from 2.5 FTE below to 5.9 FTE above.

Although low spending Supervisory Unions/Districts tend to be below or closer to the state wide average for child count to total personnel ratio than high spending Supervisory Unions/Districts, and have slightly lower child count to personnel ratios, this is not a definitive pattern; the low number of low and high spending Supervisory Unions/Districts makes it difficult to draw conclusions about the relationship between child count to personnel ratios and spending status. The statewide averages are 10.8 child count to FTE teacher, 4.9 child count to FTE paraprofessional, and 3.3 child count to total FTE personnel.

**Table 12: Special Education Staff to Child Count Ratios with High and Low Supervisory Unions/Districts**

*Note: Above/below statewide average ratios in this chart are counts, not percentages*

SU Name	Child Count to Teacher FTE Ratio	Above/Below Statewide Average Child Count to Teacher Ratio	Child Count to Para FTE Ratio	Above/Below Statewide Average Child Count to Para Ratio	Child Count to Total Personnel Ratio	Above/Below Statewide Average Child Count to Total Personnel	High/Low Supervisory Unions/Districts
<b>Statewide Average</b>	10.82		4.85		3.27		
Addison Northeast S.U.	8.61	-2.21	4.16	-0.69	2.81	-0.47	Low
Addison Northwest S.U.	8.56	-2.27	5.95	1.10	3.51	0.24	High
Addison Central S.U.	10.10	-0.72	5.74	0.89	3.66	0.39	Low
Addison - Rutland S.U.	10.63	-0.19	4.04	-0.81	2.93	-0.34	
Southwest Vermont S.U.	11.15	0.32	5.42	0.57	3.65	0.38	
Bennington - Rutland S.U.	17.06	6.24	7.44	2.59	5.18	1.91	High
Colchester S.D.	11.50	0.68	2.89	-1.96	2.31	-0.96	
Caledonia North S.U.	12.44	1.62	7.00	2.15	4.48	1.21	

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Caledonia Central S.U.	9.81	-1.01	6.06	1.20	3.75	0.47	
Milton S.D.	7.90	-2.92	4.49	-0.36	2.86	-0.41	
St Johnsbury S.D.	16.64	5.82	5.55	0.69	4.16	0.89	
Chittenden East S.U.	8.64	-2.18	3.95	-0.90	2.71	-0.56	
Chittenden Central S.U.	10.03	-0.79	3.56	-1.29	2.63	-0.64	
Chittenden South S.U.	9.32	-1.50	3.61	-1.24	2.60	-0.67	
Burlington S.D.	7.43	-3.39	2.98	-1.87	2.13	-1.14	
South Burlington S.D.	6.29	-4.53	4.24	-0.61	2.53	-0.74	
Winooski S.D.	11.19	0.36	4.30	-0.56	3.11	-0.17	
Essex - Caledonia S.U.	13.29	2.46	3.88	-0.98	3.00	-0.27	
Essex North S.U.	7.00	-3.82	4.61	-0.25	2.78	-0.49	
Franklin Northeast S.U.	10.48	-0.34	5.19	0.34	3.47	0.20	Low
Franklin Northwest S.U.	9.91	-0.91	3.85	-1.00	2.77	-0.50	
Franklin West S.U.	20.29	9.46	4.72	-0.14	3.83	0.56	Low
Franklin Central S.U.	10.14	-0.68	4.96	0.11	3.33	0.06	
Grand Isle S.U.	14.82	4.00	4.83	-0.03	3.64	0.37	
Lamoille North S.U.	11.34	0.52	4.33	-0.52	3.14	-0.14	
Lamoille South S.U.	13.67	2.85	4.53	-0.33	3.40	0.13	
Orange East S.U.	13.20	2.37	3.37	-1.48	2.69	-0.58	
Orange Southwest S.U.	10.96	0.14	10.15	5.29	5.27	2.00	Low
Orange North S.U.	10.32	-0.50	4.78	-0.08	3.27	-0.01	
Orange - Windsor S.U.	11.49	0.67	4.64	-0.21	3.31	0.03	
North Country S.U.	11.36	0.54	6.03	1.17	3.94	0.66	
Washington Central S.U.	7.81	-3.02	4.90	0.05	3.01	-0.26	
Rutland South S.U.	3.23	-7.59	3.53	-1.33	1.69	-1.59	
Orleans Central S.U.	11.39	0.57	4.00	-0.85	2.96	-0.31	

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Orleans Southwest S.U.	11.53	0.71	7.06	2.20	4.38	1.11	High
Rutland Northeast S.U.	5.48	-5.35	3.74	-1.12	2.22	-1.05	
Rutland Central S.U.	10.27	-0.55	5.03	0.17	3.38	0.10	Low
Rutland Southwest S.U.	14.17	3.35	4.48	-0.37	3.40	0.13	
Rutland City S.D.	6.91	-3.91	3.96	-0.89	2.52	-0.75	
Washington Northeast S.U.	9.38	-1.45	3.92	-0.94	2.76	-0.51	
Washington West S.U.	10.66	-0.16	4.71	-0.14	3.27	0.00	
Washington South S.U.	14.59	3.77	8.79	3.94	5.49	2.21	High
Montpelier S.D.	7.36	-3.46	4.64	-0.21	2.85	-0.43	
Windham Central S.U.	15.80	4.98	4.89	0.03	3.73	0.46	
Windham Northeast S.U.	9.56	-1.26	3.61	-1.24	2.62	-0.65	High
Windham Southeast S.U.	8.77	-2.05	4.42	-0.44	2.94	-0.33	
Windham Southwest S.U.	7.67	-3.15	3.64	-1.21	2.47	-0.80	
Windsor Central S.U.	9.29	-1.54	4.94	0.08	3.22	-0.05	
Windsor Southeast S.U.	14.63	3.81	4.27	-0.58	3.31	0.03	
Hartford S.D.	11.40	0.58	7.23	2.38	4.43	1.15	
Norwich S.D.	10.41	-0.41	3.75	-1.11	2.75	-0.52	Low
Springfield S.D.	13.44	2.62	10.75	5.90	5.97	2.70	High
Blue Mountain S.D	11.67	0.85	4.27	-0.58	3.13	-0.14	High
Essex Town S.D.	11.44	0.62	2.94	-1.92	2.34	-0.94	
Battenkill Valley S.U.	11.08	0.26	5.54	0.68	3.69	0.42	
Barre S.D.	13.76	2.94	5.20	0.35	3.77	0.50	High
Two Rivers S.U.	13.67	2.85	3.73	-1.13	2.93	-0.34	
Rivendell Interstate S.D.	6.71	-4.11	2.35	-2.50	1.74	-1.53	

**Program Data:**

Local determinations are used as an assessment of the consistency of program implementation statewide and compliance with the statutory requirement to provide a Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) to Eligible students:

Local Determinations are calculated using achievement of Annual Performance Review targets, including dropout and graduation rates, discrepancies in suspension and expulsion rates for SWD, disproportionate representation of racial and ethnic groups in the SWD population, parental consent rates, IEP development rates for eligible children, rate of IEPs with coordinated and measurable goals, correction of instances of non-compliance, provision of accurate and timely data, and audit findings.

Classification of Supervisory Unions/Districts is as follows:

- **Meets Requirements:** Performance on indicators 85.0-100.0%
- **Needs Assistance:** Performance on indicators 64.0-84.9%
- **Needs Intervention:** Performance on indicators 45.0-63.9%
- **Needs Substantial Intervention:** Performance on indicators <45.0%

Thirty-nine Supervisory Unions/Districts, or 67.0% are classified as “Meets Requirements”, 31, or 18.0% are identified as “Needs Assistance”, and 2, or 3.5% are identified as “Needs Intervention”. None of the Supervisory Unions/Districts are classified as “Needs Substantial Intervention.” Overall, 98.0% of Supervisory Unions/Districts met requirements at 64.0% and above.

High and low spending Supervisory Unions/Districts are split between determination categories, there is apparently no clear relationship between spending designation and determination category. Of the high spending Supervisory Unions/Districts one Needs Intervention, two Need Assistance, and four Meet Requirements. Results are similar for low spending Supervisory Unions/Districts; three Need Assistance, and four Meet Requirements.

**Table 13: Supervisory Union and Supervisory District Local Determination 2014-15 (not yet available for 2015-16)**

Local Determinations for 2014 - 2015 School Year

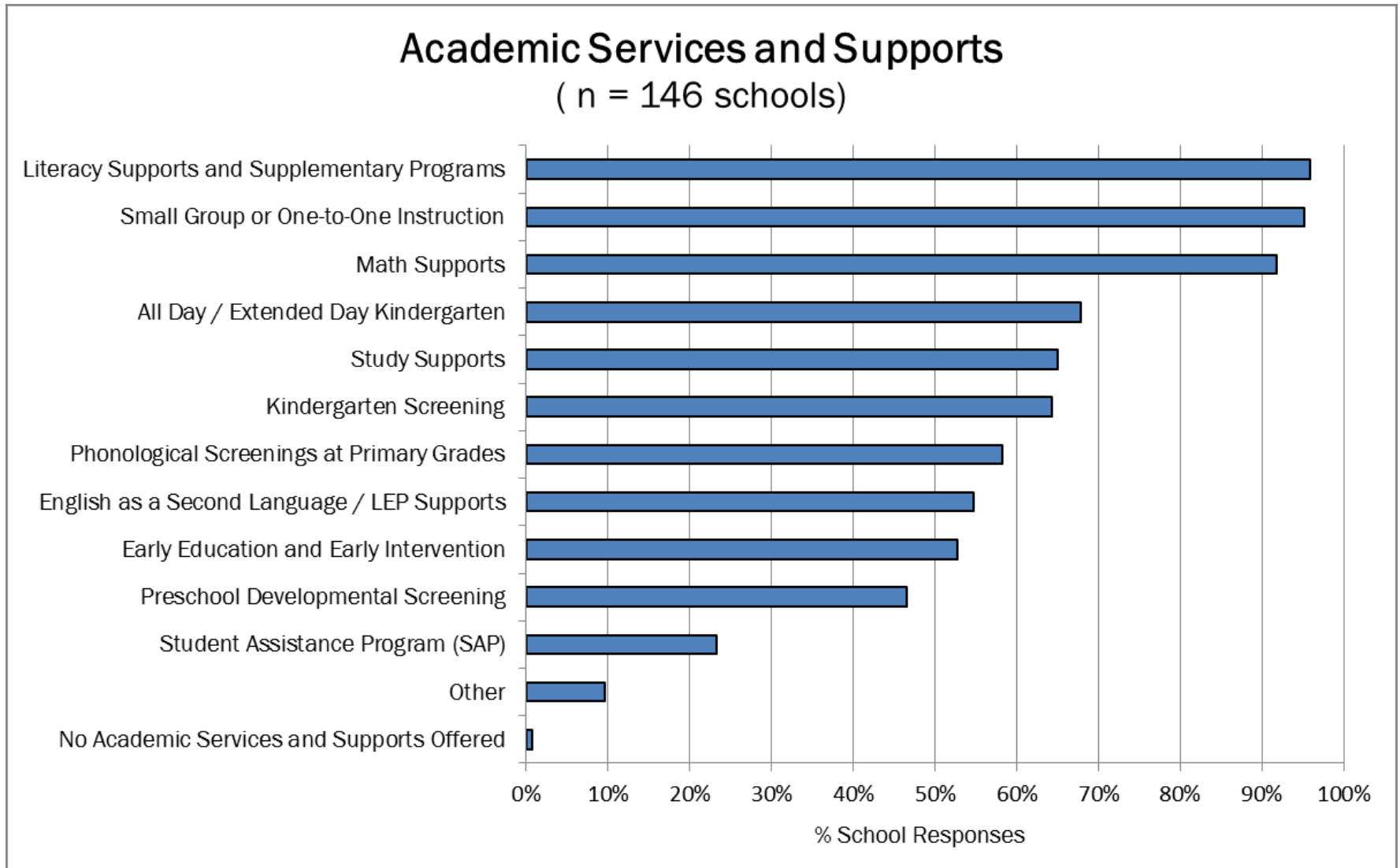
SUID	SU Name	Determination	High / Low
SU001	Addison Northeast S.U.	Meets Requirements	Low
SU002	Addison Northwest S.U.	Meets Requirements	High
SU003	Addison Central S.U.	Needs Assistance	Low
SU004	Addison - Rutland S.U.	Needs Assistance	
SU005	Southwest Vermont S.U.	Needs Assistance	

<b>SUID</b>	<b>SU Name</b>	<b>Determination</b>	<b>High / Low</b>
SU006	Bennington - Rutland S.U.	Meets Requirements	High
SU007	Colchester S.D.	Meets Requirements	
SU008	Caledonia North S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU009	Caledonia Central S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU010	Milton S.D.	Meets Requirements	
SU011	St Johnsbury S.D.	Meets Requirements	
SU012	Chittenden East S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU013	Chittenden Central S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU014	Chittenden South S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU015	Burlington S.D.	Needs Assistance	
SU016	South Burlington S.D.	Needs Assistance	
SU017	Winooski S.D.	Meets Requirements	
SU018	Essex - Caledonia S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU019	Essex North S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU020	Franklin Northeast S.U.	Needs Assistance	Low
SU021	Franklin Northwest S.U.	Needs Assistance	
SU022	Franklin West S.U.	Meets Requirements	Low
SU023	Franklin Central S.U.	Needs Intervention	
SU024	Grand Isle S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU025	Lamoille North S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU026	Lamoille South S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU027	Orange East S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU028	Orange Southwest S.U.	Needs Assistance	Low
SU029	Orange North S.U.	Needs Assistance	
SU030	Orange - Windsor S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU031	North Country S.U.	Needs Assistance	
SU032	Washington Central S.U.	Needs Assistance	
SU033	Rutland South S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU034	Orleans Central S.U.	Needs Assistance	
SU035	Orleans Southwest S.U.	Meets Requirements	High
SU036	Rutland Northeast S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU037	Rutland Central S.U.	Meets Requirements	Low
SU038	Rutland Southwest S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU040	Rutland City S.D.	Meets Requirements	
SU041	Washington Northeast S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU042	Washington West S.U.	Needs Assistance	
SU043	Washington South S.U.	Needs Assistance	High
SU045	Montpelier S.D.	Meets Requirements	
SU046	Windham Central S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU047	Windham Northeast S.U.	Meets Requirements	

<b>SUID</b>	<b>SU Name</b>	<b>Determination</b>	<b>High / Low</b>
SU048	Windham Southeast S.U.	Needs Assistance	
SU049	Windham Southwest S.U.	Needs Assistance	
SU050	Windsor Northwest S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU051	Windsor Central S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU052	Windsor Southeast S.U.	Needs Assistance	
SU054	Hartford S.D.	Meets Requirements	
SU055	Norwich S.D.	Meets Requirements	Low
SU056	Springfield S.D.	Needs Assistance	High
SU057	Blue Mountain S.D.	Meets Requirements	High
SU059	Essex Town S.D.	Meets Requirements	
SU060	Battenkill Valley S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU061	Barre S.D.	Needs Intervention	High
SU063	Two Rivers S.U.	Meets Requirements	
SU064	Rivendell Interstate S.D.	Meets Requirements	

Data on the status of education support system is tracked by school, rather than by Supervisory Unions/Districts. The chart below is an aggregation of school data, and provides a general overview of the coverage of thirteen academic supports and services by 146 responding schools. Nine of 13 tracked academic supports are met by approximately 50 to 65 percent of schools, and three are met by over 90 percent of schools. Only about 2-3 percent of 146 responding schools do not offer any academic supports. (see Chart 1 below)

**Chart 1: Education Support Systems in Schools**



Source: page 14 of [Multi-Tiered Systems of Support, 2015 – 2016 Report](#)



## Outcome Data:

The State Annual Performance Report Summary is included as data on outcomes for special education students. Performance indicators were met in 17 categories, and not met in 13.

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A description of how data were calculated for each indicator can be found by clicking on the name of the indicator.

Data Notes:

OSEP: U.S. Department of Education's Office of Special Education Programs.

### Indicator 1: Graduation Rate - Performance Indicator

Data Source: Student Census Data (Fall and Spring)

Note: Per OSEP instructions, this data is from 2014-2015 school year.

	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
Percent of youth with IEPs graduating from high school with a regular diploma. Calculated as 4 year, 5 year and 6 year cohorts. Reported data is highest result for State.	79.9	≥ 86.0	No	-6.2

### Indicator 2: Drop-Out Rate - Performance Indicator

Data Source: Child Count Data Collection (12/1/2014 and 7/1/2015)

Note: Per OSEP instructions, this data is from 2014-2015 school year.

	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
Percent of youth with IEPs dropping out of high school	3.5	≤ 3.3	Yes	0.2

### Indicator 3: Assessment - Performance Indicator

Data Source: Assessment and Adequate Yearly Progress data

	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
A. Of Supervisory Union/Districts meeting meeting the minimum "n" size and met AYP objectives for the disability subgroup.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
B. Participation rate for children with IEPs for Reading assessments	96.1	≥ 99.3	No	-3.2
B. Participation rate for children with IEPs for Math assessments	96.2	≥ 99.3	No	-3.0
C. Proficiency percentage for children with IEPs on Reading assessments	14.2	≥ 12.1	Yes	2.0
C. Proficiency percentage for children with IEPs on Math assessments	9.3	≥ 7.2	Yes	2.0

**Indicator 4A: Suspension/Expulsion – Compliance Indicator**

Data Source: Combined Incident Reporting Data Collection

Note: Per OSEP instructions, this data is from 2014-2015 school year.

	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
Percent of Supervisory Unions/Districts identified by the State as having a significant discrepancy in the rate of suspensions and expulsions of children with disabilities for greater than 10 days in a school year.	0.0	0.0	Yes	0.0

**Indicator 4B: Suspension/Expulsion by race or ethnicity – Performance Indicator**

Data Source: Combined Incident Reporting Data Collection

Note: Per OSEP instructions, this data is from 2014-2015 school year.

	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
Percent of Supervisory Unions/Districts identified by the State as having a significant discrepancy in the rate of suspensions and expulsions of children with disabilities for greater than 10 days in a school year for any racial or ethnic group.	0.0	0.0	Yes	0.0

**Indicator 5: School Age LRE – Performance Indicator**

Data Source: Child Count Data Collection (12/1/2015)

<b>Percent of children with IEPs aged 6 through 21 served:</b>	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
A. Inside the regular class 80 or more of the day (data must be equal or greater than State Target).	75.8	≥ 79.0	No	-3.2
B. Inside the regular class less than 40 of the day (data must be less than or equal to State Target).	5.7	≤ 7.0	No	-1.3

<b>Percent of children with IEPs aged 6 through 21 served:</b>	<b>State Data</b>	<b>State Target</b>	<b>Met Target?</b>	<b>Delta from Target</b>
C. In separate schools, residential facilities or homebound / hospital placements (data must be less than or equal to State Target).	5.9	≤ 3.8	Yes	2.2

**Indicator 6: Early Childhood Age LRE – Performance Indicator**

Data Source: Child Count Data Collection (12/1/2015)

<b>Percent of children with IEPs aged 3 through 5 served in:</b>	<b>State Data</b>	<b>State Target</b>	<b>Met Target?</b>	<b>Delta from Target</b>
A. Regular early childhood program and receiving the majority of special education and related services in the regular early childhood program.	76.4	≥ 71.8	Yes	4.7
B. Separate special education class, separate school or residential facility.	1.8	≤ 6.2	No	-4.4

**Indicator 7: Early Childhood Outcomes – Performance Indicator**

Data Source: Child Count Data Collection (2015 – 2016 school year)

<b>Percent of preschool children aged 3 through 5 with IEPs who demonstrate improved:</b>	<b>State Data</b>	<b>State Target</b>	<b>Met Target?</b>	<b>Delta from Target</b>
<b>Outcome A. Improved positive social-emotional skills (including social relationships)</b>				
1. Of those preschool children who entered or exited their program below age expectations in Outcome A, the percent who substantially increased their rate of growth by the time they exited the program.	85.2	≥ 86.6	No	-1.5
2. The percent of children who were functioning within age expectations in Outcome A by the time they exited the program.	51.1	≥ 40.9	Yes	10.2
<b>Outcome B. Improved acquisition and use of knowledge and skills (including early language / communication and early literacy)</b>				
1. Of those preschool children who entered or exited their program below age expectations in Outcome B, the percent who substantially increased their rate of growth by the time they exited the program.	84.4	≥ 87.3	No	-2.9
2. The percent of children who were functioning within age expectations in Outcome B by the time they exited the program.	39.4	≥ 32.5	Yes	7.0

Percent of preschool children aged 3 through 5 with IEPs who demonstrate improved:	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
<b>Outcome C. Improved use of appropriate behaviors to meet their needs</b>				
1. Of those preschool children who entered or exited their program below age expectations in Outcome C, the percent who substantially increased their rate of growth by the time they exited the program.	79.3	≥ 86.0	No	-6.7
2. The percent of children who were functioning within age expectations in Outcome C by the time they exited the program.	61.3	≥ 54.7	Yes	6.6

**Indicator 8: Parent Involvement – Performance Indicator**

Data Source: Parent Involvement Survey (Summer 2016)

	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
Percent of parents with a child receiving special education services who report that schools facilitated parent involvement as a means of improving services and results for children with disabilities.	36.1	≥ 38.1	No	-2.0

**Indicator 9: Disproportionality – Compliance Indicator**

Data Source: Child Count (12/1/2015); Student Census (Fall 2015)

	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
Percent of SUs identified for disproportionate representation of race and ethnic groups in special education and related services that is the result of inappropriate identification.	0.0	0.0	Yes	0.0

**Indicator 10: Disproportionality – Compliance Indicator**

Data Source: Child Count (12/1/2015); Student Census (Fall 2015)

	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
Percent of SUs identified with disproportionate representation of racial and ethnic groups in	0.0	0.0	Yes	0.0

	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
specific disability categories that is the result of inappropriate identification.				

**Indicator 11: Child Find – Compliance Indicator**

Data Source: Monitoring Cycle (2015 - 2016 school year)

	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
Percent of children with parental consent for initial evaluation, who were evaluated within 60 days.	97.9	100.0	No	-2.1

**Indicator 12: Early Childhood Transition – Compliance Indicator**

Data Source: Monitoring Cycle (2015– 2016 school year)

	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
Percent of children referred by Part C prior to age 3, who are found Eligible for Part B and who have IEP developed and implemented by their 3 <sup>rd</sup> birthdays.	100.0	100.0	Yes	0.0

**Indicator 13: Post-Secondary Transition – Compliance Indicator**

Data Source: Monitoring Cycle (2015 – 2016 school year)

	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
Percent of youth with IEPs aged 16 and above with an IEP that includes appropriate measurable postsecondary goals that are annually updated and based upon an age appropriate transition assessment, transition services, including courses of study, that will reasonably enable the student to meet those postsecondary goals, and annual IEP goals related to the student’s transition services needs. There also must be evidence that the student was invited to the IEP Team meeting where transition services are to be discussed and evidence that, if appropriate, a representative of any participating agency was invited to the IEP Team meeting	91.5	100.0	No	-8.5

	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
with the prior consent of the parent or student who has reached the age of majority.				

**Indicator 14: Post-Secondary Transition – Performance Indicator**

Data Source: Post-Secondary Outcomes Survey (Summer 2016)

Percent of youth who are no longer in secondary school, had IEPs in effect at the time they left school, and were:	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
A. Enrolled in higher education within one year of leaving high school.	38.8	≥ 24.3	Yes	14.5
B. Enrolled in higher education or competitively employed within one year of leaving high school.	69.6	≥ 56.5	Yes	13.1
C. Enrolled in higher education or in some other postsecondary education or training program; or competitively employed or in some other employment within one year of leaving high school.	80.8	≥ 72.0	Yes	8.8

**Indicator 15: Hearing Requests that Went to Resolution – Performance Indicator**

Data Source: Legal Division Tracking (2015 – 2016 school year)

	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
Percent of hearing requests that went to resolution sessions that were resolved through resolution session settlement agreements.	100.0	≥ 60.0	Yes	40.0

**Indicator 16: Mediations – Performance Indicator**

Data Source: Legal Division Tracking (2015 – 2016 school year)

	State Data	State Target	Met Target?	Delta from Target
Percent of mediations held that resulted in mediation agreements.	70.0	≥ 82.0	No	-12.0