

Explanations to Accompany the Federal Allocations and Data File

Federal dollars (Titles I, IIA, and IV, CRF, ESSER I, and ESSER II) go to the supervisory unions with some CRF going to the three stand-alone regional CTEs. Largely due to the small size of most Vermont school districts, the SUs are statutorily Vermont's local education agencies (LEAs) for the purpose of distributing federal funds – 16 V.S.A. § 43(b).

There are 52 supervisory unions (SUs) in Vermont. Of those 52 SUs, 28 consist of a single school district. These 28 are called supervisory districts (SDs) and are a subset of the SUs per statute – 16 V.S.A. § 11(a)(24).

When looking at the distribution of the federal dollars, you will see some SUs with codes such as S0xx, U0xx, or T0xx. Those beginning with a "U" or a "T" are SDs, supervisory districts consisting of a single school district. Those beginning with an "S" are SUs and consist of two or more school districts.

The SU&Districts tab pulls the federal data at the SU level and lists it with the State data from the district level. On this tab, the SDs are denoted by the "U" and "T". The yellow rows denote the SUs (not the SDs) and will have district level data aggregated to the SU level where appropriate. Underneath each yellow row (an SU), the member districts are listed, all of which begin with either a "U" or a "T". The member school districts listed below a yellow SU are indented to differentiate them from the SDs.

SU&Districts tab columns descriptions, by number (I did not format this tab to print):

1. Title I – the FY2021 allocations to SUs/SDs
2. Title IIA – the FY2021 allocations to SUs/SDs
3. Title IV – the FY2021 allocations to SUs/SDs
4. CRF – grant amounts to SUs/SDs based on grant applications, as amended – i.e., not the final figures. CRF dollars are from the CARES Act.
5. ESSER I – the allocations as prescribed by the CARES Act to SUs/SDs
6. ESSER II – the allocations as prescribed by the CRRSA Act to SUs/SDs, amending the CARES Act
7. Total – the total federal dollar awards to SUs/SDs. It is expected most ESSER I dollars will be used in the current school year, FY2021. It is expected most of the ESSER II dollars will be used in the summer of 2021 and the remainder of the FY2022 school year (next school year).
8. FY20 ADM – the average daily membership counts from fall of 2019 (FY2020).
9. FY21 ADM – the average daily membership counts from fall of 2020 (FY2021). These counts are down significantly from the FY20 ADM counts, largely a result of parents not sending prekindergarten children to preK programs and a large increase in homeschooling, grades K-12. Legislation passed last session allowed districts to have an ADM count for FY2021 no lower than the FY2020 count. The counts shown in column 9 are the actual ADM counts for FY2021.
10. FY21 EqPup – FY2021 equalized pupil count used this current school year
11. FY22 EqPup – FY2022 equalized pupil count to be used next school year, FY2022. This count reflects use of the larger of the FY2020 or FY2021 ADM count in its calculation.
12. FY21 ES/EP – FY2021 education spending per equalized pupil (current year)
13. Title I Poverty – poverty counts provided by the US Census Bureau and used for FY2021 Title I calculations

14. Title I Pov Ratio – the poverty ratio based on data provided for FY2021 Title I – the total formula count divided by the 5-17 population in a district per the US Census Bureau data
15. 2-Yr Pov Avg at district – the average of two years of poverty count data as provided by DCF at the school district level. These counts represent children ages 6 through 17 living with families receiving nutrition benefits and are used in the equalized pupil calculation for the poverty weighting factor – 16 V.S.A. § 4001(8). ELL students not receiving FRL are excluded from column 15, although included in the actual calculation.
16. Poverty ratio at district – the poverty ratio as prescribed in statute at the school district level, but recalculated, excluding ELL students not receiving FRL.
17. 2-Yr Pov Avg at SU level – column 15 aggregated to the SU level when there are two or more member school districts.
18. Poverty ratio at SU level – the prescribed poverty ratio recalculated at the SU level.