

S.C. SCHOOL AGE POPULATION AND ENROLLMENT ESTIMATES

Fiscal Year	Regular School Districts (ADM)	Special School Districts	Statewide Charter Districts	Total Public Schools	Total Private Schools	Total Home School	Dropouts
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	
2000-2001	648,023	2,407	n/a	650,430	56,673	9,471	6,089
2001-2002	652,468	2,231	n/a	654,699	58,931	11,158	6,224
2002-2003	656,898	2,582	n/a	659,480	54,306	12,605	6,000
2003-2004	661,376	2,578	n/a	663,954	52,603	13,518	6,231
2004-2005	665,124	2,536	n/a	667,660	54,057	14,448	6,485
2005-2006	672,560	2,518	n/a	675,078	54,622	14,729	8,108
2006-2007	679,328	2,517	n/a	681,845	54,121	14,747	7,891
2007-2008	683,364	2,307	n/a	685,671	54,401	15,377	8,013
2008-2009	686,612	2,420	2,407	691,439	53,668	16,637	7,077
2009-2010	688,012	2,131	5,878	696,021	52,945	15,064	6,265
2010-2011	687,447	1,984	8,831	698,262	52,219	14,577	5,900
2011-2012	691,122	1,978	9,948	703,048	51,906	14,089	5,232
2012-2013	697,174	1,781	11,499	710,454	47,760	14,990	5,537
2013-2014	702,558	1,779	14,000	718,337	46,466	15,826	5,640
2014-2015	710,996	1,618	17,066	729,680	46,027	17,248	5,644
2015-2016	716,361	1,754	18,352	736,467	46,948	17,730	5,162
2016-2017	719,879	1,280	21,280	742,439	46,395	19,983	5,351
2017-2018	720,499	1,197	25,563	747,259	45,068	21,743	4,979
2018-2019	721,122	1,132	28,051	750,305	44,853	20,808	4,850
2019-2020	723,263	1,122	30,331	754,716	44,853	20,764	3,969
2020-2021	703,401	804	38,522	742,727	47,107	30,115	5,754
2021-2022	710,976	725	40,510	752,211	51,252	30,638	5,712
2022-2023	716,765	738	41,312	758,815	54,340	32,004	5,638
2023-2024	715,903	742	46,326	762,971	51,344	34,301	5,547 p
2024-2025	710,678	736	53,827	765,241	54,373	41,355	5,547 p
2025-2026	709,807 p	736 p	57,286 p	767,829 p	56,061 p	42,918 p	5,547 p
2026-2027	710,055 p	736 p	60,967 p	771,758 p	57,800 p	44,541 p	5,547 p

Footnotes and Column Notes:

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

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

(3) Source: S.C. Department of Education. Prior to FY 2018-19, includes only the S.C. Public Charter School District. Beginning in FY 2018-19, also includes the Charter Institute at Erskine. Beginning in FY 2022-23, also includes the Limestone Charter Association.

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

(5) Source: Based upon the Private School Enrollment Survey. Estimates for FY 2025-26 and FY 2026-27 are based upon historical growth trends.

(6) Source: Based upon the Home School Enrollment Survey. Estimates for FY 2025-26 and FY 2026-27 are based upon historical growth trends.

(7) Source: S.C. Department of Education with RFA estimates for FY 2023-24 to FY 2026-27.