

**The 2018 National Child Count of Children and
Youth who are Deaf-Blind**



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Introduction

This report is the 33rd edition of the annual National Child Count of Children and Youth Who Are Deaf-Blind, the first and longest running registry and knowledge base of children who are deaf-blind in the world. Begun in 1986 on behalf of the U.S. Department of Education, it represents a collaborative effort between the National Center on Deaf-Blindness (NCDB), its predecessors, and each state and multi-state deaf-blind project throughout the country, as well as projects funded in the Pacific Trust territories, the Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico. Initially requested by the U.S. Department of Education as an examination of the discrepancy between the National Deaf-Blind Child Count and the Office of Special Education Programs' (OSEP) annual counts of children and students with disabilities being served under IDEA Part C or Part B, the child count has expanded over time to inform the work of a range of OSEP-funded deaf-blind projects, including the current national, state, and multi-state technical assistance projects.

The National Deaf-Blind Child Count has been collaboratively designed, implemented, and revised to serve as a common vehicle to meet federal grant requirements for both the state and multi-state deaf-blind technical assistance projects and NCDB, as well as serve as a common data collection and reporting mechanism for use across the country. Consistent with the priorities under which NCDB, its predecessors, and the state and multi-state deaf-blind projects are funded, this national child count is used to help identify national and state technical assistance needs for children and youth who are deaf-blind, their families, and the service providers and systems that serve them.

The National Deaf-Blind Child Count is conducted each year to supplement OSEP's Federal IDEA Part C and Part B child counts, **which include children as deaf-blind only when deaf-blindness is their single disability**. In contrast to OSEP's Part C and Part B child counts, the National Deaf-Blind Child Count data is collected for children whose disability is solely deaf-blindness, as well as those who are identified with deaf-blindness and have additional disabilities. This is a critical distinction given that nearly 87% of the children and youth on the National Deaf-Blind Child Count have one or more additional disabilities. Consequently, most children who are deaf-blind or have deaf-blind intervention needs are not identified as such on OSEP's IDEA Part C and Part B child counts.

Between December 1, 2017 and December 1, 2018, state and multi-state deaf-blind projects reported 11,081 children and youth were eligible to receive services. 10,638 children and youth were eligible to receive services from deaf-blind projects on December 1, 2018. Of these, 9,904 were both eligible to receive deaf-blind project services *and* were being served through either Part C or Part B of IDEA. **Therefore, a total of 9,904 children and youth are included on the December 1, 2018 Deaf-Blind Child Count.**

Across the United States, 647 infants (birth-2) and 9,189 children and young adults (3-21) were identified and reported as deaf-blind by the state and multi-state deaf-blind

projects on the December 1, 2018 Deaf-Blind Child Count. An additional 68 students were reported by those projects, who by their respective state's legislation or regulation, continue to provide services through the end of the school year in which the student turns 22 years of age. These individuals make up the total of 9,904 infants, children, and young adults identified as deaf-blind by the state and multi-state deaf-blind projects. This figure represents a slight increase from the previous year.

In contrast, the U.S. Department of Education (2018a) reports that 1,493 students (3-21) were identified as deaf-blind on [OSEP's IDEA Part B "Snapshot" Child Count](#). Due to the non-categorical nature of Part C, no infants or toddlers are reported as deaf-blind as they are all reported as developmentally delayed or at-risk by their state Part C lead agencies (2018b). This discrepancy of nearly 85% between the IDEA count of children and youth who are deaf-blind and the National Deaf-Blind Child Count is significant. State and multi-state deaf-blind project directors consistently indicate that most Part C lead agencies and state education agencies report their children and students with deaf-blindness as being developmentally delayed, multiply disabled, and/or visually impaired or hearing impaired, rather than identifying them as deaf-blind. Concerns about the under-identification of deaf-blindness and its resulting unique intervention requirements have been a consistent problem and one that often results in a lack of or delay in receiving appropriate intervention and instruction critical to children's early development (Herbster, 2015; Muller, 2006; Purvis & Schalock, 2014). The opportunity for early identification, intervention, and provision of instructional services aimed at the unique needs of young children and students who are deaf-blind is a critical component that should not be lost.

In reviewing the child count data submitted over the years, it is notable that children who are deaf-blind are highly diverse. Clearly, children who are deaf-blind are as varied as the number reported, and the nature and extent of deaf-blindness in children is often misunderstood (Malloy & Killoran, 2007; McCormick, 2015; Schalock, 2018). These children represent one of the lowest incidence yet most diverse group of learners receiving early intervention and special education services (Muller, 2006). They are an extremely heterogeneous group whose sensory losses are often accompanied by additional physical or cognitive disabilities, complex medical needs, and/or behavior challenges. The level of complexity in the needs faced by this population requires continued evolution and adaptation in national, state, and local systems to provide needed services effectively.

Data Elements in the National Deaf-Blind Child Count

Throughout the history of the child count, NCDB and its predecessors have continuously revised the child count language and reporting elements to a) remain current with IDEA Section 618 Part C and Part B data requirements, b) ease the data collection burden of the projects, and c) increase process and cost efficiencies.

Current data elements target both IDEA Section 618 requirements and the collection of information to guide state-specific and national technical assistance. Existing data elements have been broken out into specific Part B and Part C elements using Section 618 language, when possible. Reported data elements that are consistent with the IDEA mandated child counts include:

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- Race/Ethnicity
- Part B and C Category Codes
- Early Intervention Setting (Birth through 2)
- Educational Setting (3-5 and 6-21)
- Participation in Statewide Assessments
- Part C Exiting Status (Birth through 2)
- Part B Exiting Status (3-21)

Data elements have also been included to assist in developing state and national technical assistance initiatives (e.g., collection of demographic and needs assessment information). These include:

- Gender
- Etiology
- Documented Vision Loss
- Cortical Vision Impairment
- Documented Hearing Loss
- Central Auditory Processing Disorder
- Auditory Neuropathy
- Cochlear Implants
- Other Impairments or Conditions
- Living Setting
- Intervener Services
- Use of Corrective Lenses, Listening Devices, and/or Assistive Technology

Considerations for the Reader

When reading the information that follows, the reader should note that:

- Although the IDEA definition is used as the common definition of deaf-blindness, each state or multi-state deaf-blind project has the discretion of establishing criteria for their own project services. This definition was modified for birth-2 to reflect Part C Early Intervention program services and infant-toddler outcomes.
- The National Deaf-Blind Child Count is collected in a timeline similar to IDEA Section 618 data requirements. A point-in-time “snap shot” is used to reflect those infants, young children, and students identified and eligible for services from state and multi-state deaf-blind projects on December 1 of each year. Thus, in many instances, projects serve more infants, young children, and students over the course of the year than are reported on December 1.
- Where cross-over exists, the language and reporting elements used in the National Deaf-Blind Child Count are consistent with those found in Section 618 of IDEA when possible.

- The National Deaf-Blind Child Count uses the IDEA Exiting data category differently than it is used in the Part B Children with Disabilities (IDEA) Exiting Special Education data collection. Exiting data is reported for ages 3-21 using these category codes on the Deaf-Blind Child Count. The IDEA Part B Exiting Special Education collection only collects data on ages 14-21.
- The National Deaf-Blind Child Count data presented are based on aggregate data reported by each state and multi-state deaf-blind project. While the aggregated counts provide a national perspective, there is substantial variability in the individual state project data reports.

Overall Population Demographics

The total December 1, 2018 Deaf-Blind “Snap Shot” count decreased to 9,904; a drop of 96 from 2017. This decline is not unexpected in the first year of a new grant cycle. New state and national project staff often look at data more closely as they establish new data management procedures. Overall, the total number of children and youth served during the year increased slightly from 10,950 to 11,081.

The distribution of children/youth across age groups has remained relatively stable over the past five years. Since 2014, the number of children from birth to 2 years of age has increased from 561 to 647 in 2018. The number of children aged 3 to 5 increased only slightly, from 1,165 in 2014 to 1,276 in 2018. The number of children and youth aged 6 to 17 increased from 6,095 to 6,461. The number of those 18 years of age and older also increased from 1,535 to 1,620.

The racial/ethnic makeup of the children and youth who are deaf-blind has also remained relatively consistent over the past 5 years. There have been slight changes, but nothing significant. For example, the percentage of the population identified as white decreased from 54.3% to 53.2%. The percentage of the population identified as black or African American rose slightly from 14.2% to 14.3%. The percentage identified as Latino or Hispanic shows a slight decrease from 20.0% to 19.7%. The other categories have experienced minor variations as well.

The distribution of children and youth by gender has also remained very stable over time, with about 54% of children and youth being male and 46% female.

State Child Count Totals

State	Total Number Served by State During Year	Number Eligible to Receive Project Services on 12-1-2018 Regardless of Part C or Part B Status	12-1-18 Snap Shot: Number on Child Count ⁽¹⁾
Alabama	252	243	242
Alaska	16	16	16
Arizona	216	215	213
Arkansas	225	214	190
California	1111	1052	829
Colorado	165	147	146
Connecticut	70	61	56

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State	Total Number Served by State During Year	Number Eligible to Receive Project Services on 12-1-2018 Regardless of Part C or Part B Status	12-1-18 Snap Shot: Number on Child Count ⁽¹⁾
Delaware	64	64	64
District of Columbia	20	20	20
Florida	607	607	584
Georgia	329	308	280
Hawaii	55	55	47
Idaho	57	56	55
Illinois	351	343	329
Indiana	221	221	196
Iowa	91	89	87
Kansas	106	102	97
Kentucky	153	153	122
Louisiana	105	104	96
Maine	50	47	40
Maryland	187	187	179
Massachusetts	259	256	227
Michigan	350	345	310
Minnesota	389	356	356
Mississippi	80	71	70
Missouri	248	248	223
Montana	53	47	42
Nebraska	102	102	98
Nevada	132	127	111
New Hampshire	80	73	71
New Jersey	234	234	231
New Mexico	130	130	130
New York	417	417	399
North Carolina	291	280	265
North Dakota	33	33	33
Ohio	417	413	405
Oklahoma	187	167	165
Oregon	102	99	95
Pacific Basin	51	46	46
Pennsylvania	697	660	613
Puerto Rico	37	34	34
Rhode Island	38	38	34
South Carolina	150	147	141
South Dakota	30	29	29
Tennessee	314	299	260
Texas	892	784	769
Utah	144	134	127
Vermont	22	22	22
Virgin Islands	23	23	23
Virginia	218	214	204
Washington	247	246	237
West Virginia	78	76	76
Wisconsin	141	140	129
Wyoming	44	44	41
National Total	11081	10638	9904

(1) December 1 snap shot based on children/youth in Part C or Part B and eligible for DB project services.

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Age of Child

State	0 thru 2	3 thru 5	6 thru 11	12 thru 17	18 thru 21	Over 21	Unknown/ Missing	State Total
Alabama	31	21	68	75	47	0	0	242
Alaska	2	1	5	8	0	0	0	16
Arizona	18	15	63	86	31	0	0	213
Arkansas	3	13	73	79	22	0	0	190
California	46	75	266	306	136	0	0	829
Colorado	16	28	43	47	12	0	0	146
Connecticut	6	9	16	16	9	0	0	56
Delaware	1	9	23	23	8	0	0	64
District of Columbia	0	3	10	4	3	0	0	20
Florida	16	47	186	202	132	1	0	584
Georgia	17	39	95	98	31	0	0	280
Hawaii	0	2	24	16	5	0	0	47
Idaho	2	4	26	14	9	0	0	55
Illinois	11	31	94	115	78	0	0	329
Indiana	13	14	61	60	48	0	0	196
Iowa	6	11	30	32	8	0	0	87
Kansas	6	18	37	28	8	0	0	97
Kentucky	10	15	28	45	24	0	0	122
Louisiana	5	14	16	42	18	1	0	96
Maine	4	5	16	8	7	0	0	40
Maryland	2	16	60	62	32	7	0	179
Massachusetts	6	26	62	92	39	2	0	227
Michigan	8	29	84	107	43	39	0	310
Minnesota	18	32	129	123	54	0	0	356
Mississippi	8	14	20	22	6	0	0	70
Missouri	17	44	59	77	26	0	0	223
Montana	3	4	17	17	1	0	0	42
Nebraska	2	5	39	37	15	0	0	98
Nevada	17	16	46	21	11	0	0	111
New Hampshire	4	12	30	14	11	0	0	71
New Jersey	8	24	82	55	52	10	0	231

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State	0 thru 2	3 thru 5	6 thru 11	12 thru 17	18 thru 21	Over 21	Unknown/ Missing	State Total
New Mexico	9	27	47	37	10	0	0	130
New York	15	33	122	146	80	3	0	399
North Carolina	7	26	93	106	33	0	0	265
North Dakota	3	7	10	8	5	0	0	33
Ohio	3	23	111	154	114	0	0	405
Oklahoma	10	25	56	48	26	0	0	165
Oregon	12	12	26	29	16	0	0	95
Pacific Basin	0	4	15	17	10	0	0	46
Pennsylvania	117	141	177	125	53	0	0	613
Puerto Rico	4	2	7	14	6	0	0	34
Rhode Island	2	5	5	18	4	0	0	34
South Carolina	10	24	41	42	24	0	0	141
South Dakota	3	2	7	14	3	0	0	29
Tennessee	38	41	84	70	27	0	0	260
Texas	49	92	266	267	91	4	0	769
Utah	13	25	36	36	17	0	0	127
Vermont	0	7	7	5	3	0	0	22
Virgin Islands	0	3	6	10	4	0	0	23
Virginia	9	23	60	81	31	0	0	204
Washington	17	33	61	83	43	0	0	237
West Virginia	10	7	29	25	5	0	0	76
Wisconsin	6	14	43	50	16	0	0	129
Wyoming	4	4	15	13	5	0	0	41
National Total	647	1176	3132	3329	1552	68	0	9904

Race/Ethnicity

State	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black or African American	Hispanic/ Latino	White	Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	Two or More Races	Unknown/ Missing	State Total
Alabama	4	7	65	22	140	1	3	0	242
Alaska	6	1	1	1	6	0	0	1	16
Arizona	14	2	13	97	85	0	0	2	213
Arkansas	1	2	36	18	127	0	6	0	190

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State	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black or African American	Hispanic/Latino	White	Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	Two or More Races	Unknown/Missing	State Total
California	6	80	40	400	192	11	36	64	829
Colorado	3	9	9	45	73	2	5	0	146
Connecticut	0	1	10	11	33	0	1	0	56
Delaware	3	3	14	16	28	0	0	0	64
District of Columbia	0	0	13	1	5	1	0	0	20
Florida	1	27	127	166	234	3	22	4	584
Georgia	1	8	83	43	128	0	16	1	280
Hawaii	0	17	2	1	5	13	2	7	47
Idaho	2	1	3	6	42	0	1	0	55
Illinois	0	23	69	70	162	0	5	0	329
Indiana	1	5	20	17	146	0	7	0	196
Iowa	0	1	5	8	68	1	4	0	87
Kansas	0	7	5	8	73	0	3	1	97
Kentucky	0	2	15	6	97	0	2	0	122
Louisiana	0	0	19	1	44	0	0	32	96
Maine	1	0	1	0	38	0	0	0	40
Maryland	0	8	51	25	84	7	0	4	179
Massachusetts	2	13	7	46	147	0	9	3	227
Michigan	4	14	45	19	219	0	9	0	310
Minnesota	13	29	45	28	227	1	13	0	356
Mississippi	0	1	24	5	38	0	1	1	70
Missouri	2	6	30	11	162	1	9	2	223
Montana	3	1	1	2	34	1	0	0	42
Nebraska	2	4	8	14	69	0	1	0	98
Nevada	1	3	14	37	42	2	12	0	111
New Hampshire	3	2	2	5	58	0	1	0	71
New Jersey	0	16	29	57	121	0	8	0	231
New Mexico	20	2	2	65	34	0	6	1	130
New York	5	35	56	108	93	85	9	8	399
North Carolina	4	7	77	22	137	1	17	0	265
North Dakota	5	0	2	1	25	0	0	0	33
Ohio	2	4	73	16	297	2	11	0	405
Oklahoma	26	3	19	17	99	0	0	1	165
Oregon	1	1	1	19	69	1	2	1	95

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State	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black or African American	Hispanic/Latino	White	Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	Two or More Races	Unknown/Missing	State Total
Pacific Basin	0	32	0	0	0	13	0	1	46
Pennsylvania	5	26	104	42	411	0	25	0	613
Puerto Rico	0	0	0	34	0	0	0	0	34
Rhode Island	0	4	5	5	20	0	0	0	34
South Carolina	1	2	49	7	81	0	0	1	141
South Dakota	6	0	0	0	23	0	0	0	29
Tennessee	0	4	50	21	173	0	11	1	260
Texas	5	31	98	306	309	3	17	0	769
Utah	5	1	4	23	87	4	2	1	127
Vermont	0	1	0	0	20	0	1	0	22
Virgin Islands	0	0	4	7	12	0	0	0	23
Virginia	2	9	47	16	121	0	0	9	204
Washington	4	9	10	41	133	8	20	12	237
West Virginia	0	0	1	0	74	0	0	1	76
Wisconsin	1	5	11	8	94	0	4	6	129
Wyoming	0	0	2	6	29	3	0	1	41
National Total	165	469	1421	1950	5268	164	301	166	9904

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Gender

State	Male	Female	Unknown/ Missing	State Total
Alabama	103	134	5	242
Alaska	7	8	1	16
Arizona	121	91	1	213
Arkansas	106	83	1	190
California	431	381	17	829
Colorado	84	62	0	146
Connecticut	34	22	0	56
Delaware	38	26	0	64
District of Columbia	8	11	1	20
Florida	311	272	1	584
Georgia	136	144	0	280
Hawaii	23	23	1	47
Idaho	26	29	0	55
Illinois	167	162	0	329
Indiana	108	88	0	196
Iowa	46	41	0	87
Kansas	52	45	0	97
Kentucky	66	56	0	122
Louisiana	43	45	8	96
Maine	27	13	0	40
Maryland	100	79	0	179
Massachusetts	129	98	0	227
Michigan	182	128	0	310
Minnesota	171	185	0	356
Mississippi	33	37	0	70
Missouri	134	89	0	223
Montana	22	20	0	42
Nebraska	53	45	0	98
Nevada	60	51	0	111
New Hampshire	44	26	1	71
New Jersey	134	97	0	231
New Mexico	60	70	0	130
New York	211	188	0	399
North Carolina	151	114	0	265
North Dakota	15	18	0	33
Ohio	232	173	0	405
Oklahoma	88	77	0	165
Oregon	61	34	0	95
Pacific Basin	30	16	0	46
Pennsylvania	345	268	0	613
Puerto Rico	20	14	0	34
Rhode Island	15	18	1	34
South Carolina	78	63	0	141
South Dakota	13	16	0	29
Tennessee	136	124	0	260
Texas	425	344	0	769
Utah	63	64	0	127

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State	Male	Female	Unknown/ Missing	State Total
Vermont	12	10	0	22
Virgin Islands	11	12	0	23
Virginia	110	94	0	204
Washington	109	119	9	237
West Virginia	50	26	0	76
Wisconsin	82	47	0	129
Wyoming	28	13	0	41
National Total	5344	4513	47	9904

Documented Hearing and Vision Loss

The overall distribution of degree of vision loss has remained relatively consistent over time. A total of 7,844 or just under 80% of the children and youth, were identified as having low vision, being legally blind, or having a documented functional vision loss in 2018. A total of 436, nearly 5% of the population, is totally blind. These distributions have not varied much over the past five years, fluctuating only 1-3% during this time period. There has been a slight increase in the percentage of children and youth with low vision and a documented functional vision loss. The percentage of children who are legally blind has declined.

The number of children and youth who have an identified cortical vision impairment has grown slightly over the past five years from 2,770 in 2014 to 2,797 in 2018 and represents just under 30% of the population.

The documented degree of hearing loss is more evenly distributed from mild to profound. A total of 2,017 children and youth have a profound hearing loss and make up the largest group at 20%. The number of children with a documented functional hearing loss (1,202) decreased this year, while the number of children and youth with a mild hearing loss (1,422) increased slightly. These distributions have remained very consistent over the past five years, fluctuating only 1-2%. The percentage of children/youth identified as needing further hearing testing has fluctuated between 8.3% to 7.2% over the past five years.

Relatively few children and youth have been identified as having a central auditory processing disorder (506) or auditory neuropathy (555). In both cases, these numbers represent less than 6% of the population.

The number of children identified as having received cochlear implants continues to increase, growing from 990 in 2014 (10.5%) to 1,155 in 2018 (11.7%). This increase is true for all ages, from infants to young adults.

While there has been a significant increase over the past five years in the percentage of children and youth with corrective lenses from 38.3% to 43.0% and assistive listening devices from 44.6% to 50.2%, there has been a gradual decrease in the use of other assistive technologies (44.5% to 44.2%).

The broad range and combinations of vision and hearing loss of the children and youth on the National Deaf-Blind Child Count provide evidence of the heterogeneous nature of this population and their needs. Only about 1% of the population has a profound hearing loss and is totally blind. The other 99% have some residual hearing or vision.

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Assistive technology plays an important role in the lives of children and youth who are deaf-blind, especially those with intensive support needs. Overall, the percentage of children and youth that use assistive technologies has remained constant over the past five years at about 45%. However, only about 30% of children and youth with no additional disabilities are reported to use additional assistive technologies while over 50% of children with four or more additional disabilities use additional assistive technologies.

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Primary Classification of Vision Impairment

State	Low Vision	Legally Blind	Light Perception Only	Totally Blind	Diagnosed Progressive Vision Loss	Further Testing Needed (1 year only)	Documented Functional Vision Loss	State Total
Alabama	93	46	5	6	14	3	75	242
Alaska	7	5	0	1	2	0	1	16
Arizona	51	33	5	1	8	10	105	213
Arkansas	73	35	12	13	7	5	45	190
California	235	193	38	38	23	179	123	829
Colorado	70	36	9	3	10	18	0	146
Connecticut	14	24	3	2	5	6	2	56
Delaware	16	9	0	0	2	3	34	64
District of Columbia	3	0	0	0	1	2	14	20
Florida	233	99	39	22	31	0	160	584
Georgia	73	87	21	18	8	8	65	280
Hawaii	5	6	3	3	3	6	21	47
Idaho	13	10	4	2	5	6	15	55
Illinois	115	66	31	16	22	7	72	329
Indiana	71	41	17	8	6	5	48	196
Iowa	29	20	8	5	7	1	17	87
Kansas	22	31	3	1	4	8	28	97
Kentucky	52	38	22	4	1	0	5	122
Louisiana	17	21	2	6	7	32	11	96
Maine	20	5	0	3	2	3	7	40
Maryland	32	26	6	3	6	24	82	179
Massachusetts	85	63	11	8	14	22	24	227
Michigan	94	86	10	25	15	3	77	310
Minnesota	179	60	9	11	24	5	68	356
Mississippi	19	17	14	3	1	8	8	70
Missouri	65	42	15	8	12	3	78	223

2018 National Deaf-Blind Child Count Summary (Ages Birth – 21)

State	Low Vision	Legally Blind	Light Perception Only	Totally Blind	Diagnosed Progressive Vision Loss	Further Testing Needed (1 year only)	Documented Functional Vision Loss	State Total
Montana	9	15	1	3	6	0	8	42
Nebraska	40	33	6	2	8	1	8	98
Nevada	25	22	10	5	4	14	31	111
New Hampshire	35	11	0	1	1	10	13	71
New Jersey	110	58	21	10	7	9	16	231
New Mexico	53	18	6	5	3	2	43	130
New York	141	119	9	18	22	27	63	399
North Carolina	67	68	12	16	6	7	89	265
North Dakota	11	3	2	1	4	4	8	33
Ohio	86	104	21	30	18	45	101	405
Oklahoma	63	37	14	9	4	5	33	165
Oregon	34	20	1	5	10	4	21	95
Pacific Basin	8	3	3	6	2	11	13	46
Pennsylvania	173	117	16	16	21	106	164	613
Puerto Rico	11	6	7	7	2	0	1	34
Rhode Island	11	11	3	0	0	2	7	34
South Carolina	37	30	5	3	7	4	55	141
South Dakota	4	5	1	4	2	0	13	29
Tennessee	100	61	24	11	7	4	53	260
Texas	263	314	32	39	11	12	98	769
Utah	106	9	4	4	3	1	0	127
Vermont	3	3	2	1	0	0	13	22
Virgin Islands	2	5	0	0	0	0	16	23
Virginia	64	33	10	7	19	5	66	204
Washington	69	45	11	15	16	9	72	237
West Virginia	34	12	2	2	4	6	16	76
Wisconsin	24	34	9	6	8	5	43	129
Wyoming	15	8	2	0	3	5	8	41
National Total	3284	2303	521	436	438	665	2257	9904

Cortical Visual Impairment

State	Yes	No	Unknown/Missing	State Total
Alabama	11	231	0	242
Alaska	7	9	0	16
Arizona	124	75	14	213
Arkansas	69	121	0	190
California	157	402	270	829
Colorado	46	96	4	146
Connecticut	15	37	4	56
Delaware	32	32	0	64
District of Columbia	7	13	0	20
Florida	70	333	181	584
Georgia	102	153	25	280
Hawaii	15	29	3	47
Idaho	28	18	9	55
Illinois	100	198	31	329
Indiana	29	100	67	196
Iowa	21	66	0	87
Kansas	55	27	15	97
Kentucky	64	58	0	122
Louisiana	15	33	48	96
Maine	10	26	4	40
Maryland	53	126	0	179
Massachusetts	55	156	16	227
Michigan	81	229	0	310
Minnesota	107	248	1	356
Mississippi	16	29	25	70
Missouri	61	157	5	223
Montana	23	17	2	42
Nebraska	19	55	24	98
Nevada	26	37	48	111
New Hampshire	24	44	3	71
New Jersey	80	126	25	231
New Mexico	78	22	30	130
New York	99	167	133	399
North Carolina	11	14	240	265
North Dakota	6	16	11	33
Ohio	118	131	156	405
Oklahoma	59	86	20	165
Oregon	30	42	23	95
Pacific Basin	5	13	28	46
Pennsylvania	154	459	0	613
Puerto Rico	11	19	4	34
Rhode Island	16	15	3	34
South Carolina	47	67	27	141
South Dakota	8	21	0	29
Tennessee	88	172	0	260
Texas	241	440	88	769

2018 National Deaf-Blind Child Count Summary (Ages Birth – 21)

State	Yes	No	Unknown/Missing	State Total
Utah	54	73	0	127
Vermont	13	6	3	22
Virgin Islands	1	4	18	23
Virginia	52	148	4	204
Washington	84	83	70	237
West Virginia	34	42	0	76
Wisconsin	55	74	0	129
Wyoming	11	15	15	41
National Total	2797	5410	1697	9904

Corrective Lenses

State	Yes	No	Unknown/Missing	State Total
Alabama	130	111	1	242
Alaska	8	7	1	16
Arizona	72	91	50	213
Arkansas	80	104	6	190
California	390	267	172	829
Colorado	72	66	8	146
Connecticut	20	27	9	56
Delaware	27	26	11	64
District of Columbia	8	8	4	20
Florida	177	137	270	584
Georgia	137	139	4	280
Hawaii	8	30	9	47
Idaho	16	38	1	55
Illinois	173	141	15	329
Indiana	95	69	32	196
Iowa	35	41	11	87
Kansas	61	36	0	97
Kentucky	53	69	0	122
Louisiana	25	25	46	96
Maine	11	17	12	40
Maryland	85	81	13	179
Massachusetts	97	55	75	227
Michigan	153	157	0	310
Minnesota	181	154	21	356
Mississippi	29	35	6	70
Missouri	97	120	6	223
Montana	19	23	0	42
Nebraska	53	44	1	98
Nevada	52	56	3	111
New Hampshire	30	17	24	71
New Jersey	71	157	3	231
New Mexico	65	51	14	130
New York	90	77	232	399
North Carolina	114	141	10	265

2018 National Deaf-Blind Child Count Summary (Ages Birth – 21)

State	Yes	No	Unknown/Missing	State Total
North Dakota	19	12	2	33
Ohio	155	126	124	405
Oklahoma	73	86	6	165
Oregon	52	38	5	95
Pacific Basin	4	38	4	46
Pennsylvania	273	340	0	613
Puerto Rico	10	24	0	34
Rhode Island	14	19	1	34
South Carolina	59	65	17	141
South Dakota	14	13	2	29
Tennessee	95	142	23	260
Texas	367	0	402	769
Utah	66	61	0	127
Vermont	6	15	1	22
Virgin Islands	0	4	19	23
Virginia	89	81	34	204
Washington	113	113	11	237
West Virginia	38	25	13	76
Wisconsin	54	66	9	129
Wyoming	22	19	0	41
National Total	4257	3904	1743	9904

2018 National Deaf-Blind Child Count Summary (Ages Birth – 21)

Primary Classification of Hearing Impairment

State	Mild	Moderate	Moderately Severe	Severe	Profound	Diagnosed Progressive Loss	Further Testing Needed (1 year only)	Documented Functional Hearing Loss	State Total
Alabama	31	31	36	24	53	2	5	60	242
Alaska	0	4	7	2	2	0	0	1	16
Arizona	23	46	44	18	67	0	2	13	213
Arkansas	21	27	10	14	21	3	11	83	190
California	73	128	139	86	206	2	123	72	829
Colorado	26	45	26	17	29	1	2	0	146
Connecticut	15	10	7	1	19	1	3	0	56
Delaware	8	17	13	4	7	0	4	11	64
District of Columbia	0	5	3	1	2	0	5	4	20
Florida	97	105	76	63	127	2	10	104	584
Georgia	52	61	49	35	60	1	8	14	280
Hawaii	4	6	3	2	7	0	8	17	47
Idaho	12	12	11	6	9	0	2	3	55
Illinois	101	62	32	33	52	5	5	39	329
Indiana	31	38	30	18	34	0	7	38	196
Iowa	12	22	10	14	17	0	5	7	87
Kansas	13	18	12	8	16	1	6	23	97
Kentucky	21	23	20	14	27	0	0	17	122
Louisiana	13	8	12	9	14	0	32	8	96
Maine	6	8	10	1	6	0	5	4	40
Maryland	24	31	25	16	40	1	18	24	179
Massachusetts	38	48	39	20	33	4	29	16	227
Michigan	37	48	50	36	70	6	1	62	310
Minnesota	49	106	53	39	70	6	5	28	356
Mississippi	10	8	10	11	17	0	10	4	70
Missouri	26	46	51	22	34	4	8	32	223

2018 National Deaf-Blind Child Count Summary (Ages Birth – 21)

State	Mild	Moderate	Moderately Severe	Severe	Profound	Diagnosed Progressive Loss	Further Testing Needed (1 year only)	Documented Functional Hearing Loss	State Total
Montana	8	7	5	2	4	3	3	10	42
Nebraska	7	21	17	20	29	0	0	4	98
Nevada	15	18	11	11	18	1	23	14	111
New Hampshire	11	13	8	7	6	0	20	6	71
New Jersey	23	67	40	29	52	0	3	17	231
New Mexico	23	37	16	16	23	3	4	8	130
New York	52	63	81	37	52	29	28	57	399
North Carolina	33	43	37	26	72	5	10	39	265
North Dakota	3	6	6	4	9	2	2	1	33
Ohio	35	38	30	29	65	4	132	72	405
Oklahoma	18	23	30	17	40	1	11	25	165
Oregon	14	30	17	13	16	0	2	3	95
Pacific Basin	7	3	3	2	9	0	6	16	46
Pennsylvania	93	107	77	45	94	7	130	60	613
Puerto Rico	2	7	6	6	11	1	0	1	34
Rhode Island	4	8	4	4	5	0	4	5	34
South Carolina	21	26	30	19	26	1	3	15	141
South Dakota	4	6	2	0	9	0	1	7	29
Tennessee	40	41	43	31	51	6	21	27	260
Texas	88	190	130	121	196	0	13	31	769
Utah	78	25	8	2	13	0	1	0	127
Vermont	5	4	1	2	9	0	0	1	22
Virgin Islands	2	3	0	0	2	0	0	16	23
Virginia	31	45	29	20	53	4	7	15	204
Washington	27	42	39	28	66	1	6	28	237
West Virginia	16	16	14	3	4	2	7	14	76
Wisconsin	13	31	17	8	31	2	5	22	129
Wyoming	6	6	6	3	13	0	3	4	41
National Total	1422	1889	1485	1019	2017	111	759	1202	9904

Central Auditory Processing Disorder

State	Yes	No	Unknown/ Missing	State Total
Alabama	2	239	1	242
Alaska	2	12	2	16
Arizona	2	186	25	213
Arkansas	2	66	122	190
California	54	312	463	829
Colorado	1	129	16	146
Connecticut	1	27	28	56
Delaware	0	31	33	64
District of Columbia	1	10	9	20
Florida	14	310	260	584
Georgia	19	199	62	280
Hawaii	0	35	12	47
Idaho	16	26	13	55
Illinois	3	255	71	329
Indiana	4	91	101	196
Iowa	1	48	38	87
Kansas	12	53	32	97
Kentucky	26	96	0	122
Louisiana	9	31	56	96
Maine	1	14	25	40
Maryland	2	142	35	179
Massachusetts	4	65	158	227
Michigan	28	282	0	310
Minnesota	6	256	94	356
Mississippi	2	51	17	70
Missouri	15	201	7	223
Montana	16	18	8	42
Nebraska	2	72	24	98
Nevada	6	42	63	111
New Hampshire	7	21	43	71
New Jersey	6	148	77	231
New Mexico	6	72	52	130
New York	14	159	226	399
North Carolina	33	153	79	265
North Dakota	2	26	5	33
Ohio	58	147	200	405
Oklahoma	7	112	46	165
Oregon	3	63	29	95
Pacific Basin	2	17	27	46
Pennsylvania	22	591	0	613
Puerto Rico	9	19	6	34
Rhode Island	1	23	10	34
South Carolina	3	38	100	141
South Dakota	0	29	0	29
Tennessee	11	235	14	260

2018 National Deaf-Blind Child Count Summary (Ages Birth – 21)

State	Yes	No	Unknown/ Missing	State Total
Texas	21	0	748	769
Utah	5	119	3	127
Vermont	1	13	8	22
Virgin Islands	0	4	19	23
Virginia	5	83	116	204
Washington	19	104	114	237
West Virginia	2	36	38	76
Wisconsin	16	70	43	129
Wyoming	2	21	18	41
National Total	506	5602	3796	9904

Auditory Neuropathy

State	Yes	No	Unknown/ Missing	State Total
Alabama	6	236	0	242
Alaska	1	13	2	16
Arizona	1	185	27	213
Arkansas	6	103	81	190
California	37	315	477	829
Colorado	5	129	12	146
Connecticut	5	24	27	56
Delaware	7	27	30	64
District of Columbia	1	11	8	20
Florida	27	285	272	584
Georgia	26	186	68	280
Hawaii	2	13	32	47
Idaho	4	32	19	55
Illinois	14	256	59	329
Indiana	7	65	124	196
Iowa	0	42	45	87
Kansas	7	64	26	97
Kentucky	0	122	0	122
Louisiana	7	34	55	96
Maine	1	20	19	40
Maryland	12	136	31	179
Massachusetts	4	96	127	227
Michigan	18	292	0	310
Minnesota	30	238	88	356
Mississippi	0	46	24	70
Missouri	15	199	9	223
Montana	4	28	10	42
Nebraska	6	68	24	98
Nevada	6	45	60	111
New Hampshire	5	24	42	71
New Jersey	21	135	75	231

2018 National Deaf-Blind Child Count Summary (Ages Birth – 21)

State	Yes	No	Unknown/ Missing	State Total
New Mexico	10	70	50	130
New York	22	107	270	399
North Carolina	17	166	82	265
North Dakota	0	26	7	33
Ohio	56	146	203	405
Oklahoma	15	110	40	165
Oregon	6	62	27	95
Pacific Basin	3	17	26	46
Pennsylvania	33	580	0	613
Puerto Rico	2	29	3	34
Rhode Island	1	30	3	34
South Carolina	9	69	63	141
South Dakota	1	28	0	29
Tennessee	9	221	30	260
Texas	34	0	735	769
Utah	12	109	6	127
Vermont	0	21	1	22
Virgin Islands	1	2	20	23
Virginia	10	88	106	204
Washington	12	102	123	237
West Virginia	3	36	37	76
Wisconsin	12	65	52	129
Wyoming	2	20	19	41
National Total	555	5573	3776	9904

Cochlear Implant

State	Yes	No	Unknown/Missing	State Total
Alabama	28	214	0	242
Alaska	3	12	1	16
Arizona	26	182	5	213
Arkansas	5	175	10	190
California	63	550	216	829
Colorado	14	131	1	146
Connecticut	9	29	18	56
Delaware	1	30	33	64
District of Columbia	2	9	9	20
Florida	48	391	145	584
Georgia	26	251	3	280
Hawaii	0	42	5	47
Idaho	7	45	3	55
Illinois	51	268	10	329
Indiana	28	151	17	196
Iowa	18	64	5	87
Kansas	18	77	2	97

2018 National Deaf-Blind Child Count Summary (Ages Birth – 21)

State	Yes	No	Unknown/Missing	State Total
Kentucky	17	105	0	122
Louisiana	15	41	40	96
Maine	3	25	12	40
Maryland	24	136	19	179
Massachusetts	11	108	108	227
Michigan	44	266	0	310
Minnesota	44	304	8	356
Mississippi	9	47	14	70
Missouri	34	182	7	223
Montana	3	38	1	42
Nebraska	15	83	0	98
Nevada	11	95	5	111
New Hampshire	0	37	34	71
New Jersey	25	204	2	231
New Mexico	3	108	19	130
New York	52	169	178	399
North Carolina	42	219	4	265
North Dakota	8	22	3	33
Ohio	59	241	105	405
Oklahoma	28	132	5	165
Oregon	9	76	10	95
Pacific Basin	0	44	2	46
Pennsylvania	67	546	0	613
Puerto Rico	1	33	0	34
Rhode Island	2	32	0	34
South Carolina	15	91	35	141
South Dakota	4	24	1	29
Tennessee	33	224	3	260
Texas	130	0	639	769
Utah	18	109	0	127
Vermont	4	18	0	22
Virgin Islands	1	7	15	23
Virginia	22	112	70	204
Washington	34	190	13	237
West Virginia	1	55	20	76
Wisconsin	16	102	11	129
Wyoming	4	36	1	41
National Total	1155	6882	1867	9904

Assistive Listening Devices

State	Yes	No	Unknown/Missing	State Total
Alabama	101	140	1	242
Alaska	13	3	0	16
Arizona	94	65	54	213
Arkansas	54	128	8	190

2018 National Deaf-Blind Child Count Summary (Ages Birth – 21)

State	Yes	No	Unknown/Missing	State Total
California	415	211	203	829
Colorado	114	31	1	146
Connecticut	33	13	10	56
Delaware	33	20	11	64
District of Columbia	9	7	4	20
Florida	205	107	272	584
Georgia	175	100	5	280
Hawaii	12	25	10	47
Idaho	33	22	0	55
Illinois	229	88	12	329
Indiana	87	74	35	196
Iowa	52	24	11	87
Kansas	42	54	1	97
Kentucky	78	44	0	122
Louisiana	19	28	49	96
Maine	17	8	15	40
Maryland	104	68	7	179
Massachusetts	88	44	95	227
Michigan	140	170	0	310
Minnesota	215	123	18	356
Mississippi	35	31	4	70
Missouri	143	76	4	223
Montana	17	22	3	42
Nebraska	64	33	1	98
Nevada	49	61	1	111
New Hampshire	30	17	24	71
New Jersey	111	114	6	231
New Mexico	61	45	24	130
New York	130	47	222	399
North Carolina	127	132	6	265
North Dakota	20	10	3	33
Ohio	148	127	130	405
Oklahoma	92	63	10	165
Oregon	69	19	7	95
Pacific Basin	6	36	4	46
Pennsylvania	335	278	0	613
Puerto Rico	10	24	0	34
Rhode Island	21	13	0	34
South Carolina	80	47	14	141
South Dakota	13	14	2	29
Tennessee	125	114	21	260
Texas	447	0	322	769
Utah	72	55	0	127
Vermont	15	7	0	22
Virgin Islands	2	2	19	23
Virginia	103	71	30	204
Washington	151	79	7	237
West Virginia	40	24	12	76
Wisconsin	75	43	11	129
Wyoming	21	20	0	41
National Total	4974	3221	1709	9904

Additional Assistive Technology

State	Yes	No	Unknown/Missing	State Total
Alabama	64	176	2	242
Alaska	9	7	0	16
Arizona	36	96	81	213
Arkansas	47	118	25	190
California	225	262	342	829
Colorado	68	67	11	146
Connecticut	18	22	16	56
Delaware	32	21	11	64
District of Columbia	6	10	4	20
Florida	117	84	383	584
Georgia	144	129	7	280
Hawaii	9	24	14	47
Idaho	19	34	2	55
Illinois	220	92	17	329
Indiana	71	69	56	196
Iowa	32	39	16	87
Kansas	67	30	0	97
Kentucky	95	27	0	122
Louisiana	35	15	46	96
Maine	8	12	20	40
Maryland	68	89	22	179
Massachusetts	51	64	112	227
Michigan	166	144	0	310
Minnesota	177	156	23	356
Mississippi	13	44	13	70
Missouri	117	98	8	223
Montana	25	16	1	42
Nebraska	66	30	2	98
Nevada	61	47	3	111
New Hampshire	18	24	29	71
New Jersey	77	143	11	231
New Mexico	33	64	33	130
New York	66	81	252	399
North Carolina	139	114	12	265
North Dakota	17	8	8	33
Ohio	166	101	138	405
Oklahoma	56	84	25	165
Oregon	41	45	9	95
Pacific Basin	10	32	4	46
Pennsylvania	320	293	0	613
Puerto Rico	29	5	0	34

2018 National Deaf-Blind Child Count Summary (Ages Birth – 21)

State	Yes	No	Unknown/Missing	State Total
Rhode Island	16	17	1	34
South Carolina	57	47	37	141
South Dakota	15	13	1	29
Tennessee	78	157	25	260
Texas	734	0	35	769
Utah	82	36	9	127
Vermont	18	4	0	22
Virgin Islands	2	1	20	23
Virginia	98	55	51	204
Washington	103	112	22	237
West Virginia	42	19	15	76
Wisconsin	63	53	13	129
Wyoming	35	6	0	41
National Total	4381	3536	1987	9904

Etiologies

Over 70 specific etiologies are identified in the 2018 National Deaf-Blind Child Count. Some are exceedingly rare, with less than five cases. Others are much more prevalent. There are 12 etiologies with at least 100 cases.

Complications from prematurity continues to be the most commonly identified etiology. The prevalence of CHARGE syndrome continues to increase. In 2018 there were 933 children and youth identified as having CHARGE syndrome. While still relatively rare, the prevalence of children with Stickler syndrome and Dandy Walker syndrome has also increased. About 19% of the children and youth have no determined etiology.

Overall, the total number of children and youth identified with a prenatal congenital or postnatal non-congenital etiology has declined from 2,732 to 2,551 over the past five years, while the number with hereditary syndromes and disorders has increased from 3,945 to 4,482. Hereditary syndrome and disorders now account for 44.8% of all identified etiologies. Prenatal congenital complications account for 13.9% of identified etiologies and postnatal non-congenital complications account for 11.6% of identified etiologies. Complications from prematurity account for 10.5% of identified etiologies and 19.2% of the children and youth had no identified etiology at the time data was collected.

Congenital Rubella Syndrome (CRS), which has long been associated with the development of the deaf-blind technical assistance system, is no longer a prevalent etiology. In 2018, there were 33 individuals whose etiology was identified as CRS, down from 89 in 2010. Over 75% of these individuals are over 10 years of age and over 50% are 15 years of age or older.

The heterogeneous nature of the population cannot be overstated. The etiologies or causes of deaf-blindness bring unique issues and challenges. Some are relatively more common, such as CHARGE syndrome, Down syndrome, Usher syndrome, and Cytomegalovirus. Some are very rare, with less than five individuals reported nationally, such as Batten disease, Prader-Willi, and Kearns-Sayre syndrome.

Primary Identified Etiology

	Total
Hereditary Syndromes/Disorders	
CHARGE syndrome	958
Usher syndrome (I,II,III)	345
Down syndrome (Trisomy 21 syndrome)	308
Stickler syndrome	130
Dandy Walker syndrome	119
Goldenhar syndrome	98
OTHER: Hereditary Syndrome/Disorders	2,719
Prenatal/Congenital Complications	
Cytomegalovirus (CMV)	293
Hydrocephaly	203
Microcephaly	211
OTHER: Pre-Natal/Congenital Complications	632
Postnatal/Non-Congenital	
Asphyxia	183
Severe Head Injury	137
Meningitis	132
OTHER: Post-Natal/ Non-Congenital	700
Complication of Prematurity	991
No Determination of Etiology	1,745

More detail about etiology is provided in the following four tables.

Etiology Detail: Hereditary Syndromes/Disorders

State	CHARGE Syndrome	Dandy Walker Syndrome	Down Syndrome	Goldenhar Syndrome	Stickler Syndrome	Usher Syndrome (I,II,III)	OTHER: Hereditary Syndromes/ Disorders
Alabama	5	1	7	2	1	2	159
Alaska	5	0	1	0	0	1	4
Arizona	26	5	3	5	4	7	57
Arkansas	8	3	8	1	0	1	54
California	85	5	36	5	11	28	202
Colorado	11	4	9	1	3	8	51
Connecticut	9	0	1	0	0	5	17
Delaware	2	3	1	0	0	0	10
District of Columbia	2	0	0	0	1	1	2
Florida	60	3	20	5	5	17	103
Georgia	23	6	7	4	8	7	71
Hawaii	2	0	1	0	2	0	10
Idaho	5	1	3	2	1	3	13
Illinois	38	4	13	5	4	22	70
Indiana	22	6	1	2	3	7	36
Iowa	17	2	3	1	1	7	17
Kansas	5	0	2	1	1	2	41
Kentucky	17	0	2	1	2	5	14
Louisiana	5	0	2	0	1	10	19
Maine	9	0	0	0	0	1	13
Maryland	20	2	3	3	2	2	39
Massachusetts	26	1	9	0	1	13	81
Michigan	36	5	12	3	5	13	80
Minnesota	36	3	14	2	16	18	117
Mississippi	4	1	3	0	0	0	32
Missouri	23	3	6	3	10	4	59
Montana	3	0	0	0	1	4	17
Nebraska	9	0	2	2	1	6	29
Nevada	7	4	4	1	1	3	36

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State	CHARGE Syndrome	Dandy Walker Syndrome	Down Syndrome	Goldenhar Syndrome	Stickler Syndrome	Usher Syndrome (I,II,III)	OTHER: Hereditary Syndromes/ Disorders
New Hampshire	4	2	7	0	0	1	25
New Jersey	35	4	6	1	0	11	51
New Mexico	5	0	8	2	2	0	47
New York	54	5	4	3	3	20	90
North Carolina	34	4	8	3	1	5	63
North Dakota	5	0	1	0	0	3	10
Ohio	34	5	1	6	7	12	73
Oklahoma	6	2	9	1	0	8	37
Oregon	10	1	1	1	3	2	41
Pacific Basin	1	0	2	0	0	0	2
Pennsylvania	42	2	20	7	6	13	160
Puerto Rico	1	2	0	1	0	1	9
Rhode Island	0	2	2	2	0	1	6
South Carolina	23	2	3	4	5	5	38
South Dakota	4	0	3	1	0	2	3
Tennessee	28	3	6	2	5	7	77
Texas	88	10	32	11	2	24	274
Utah	8	2	3	1	1	5	35
Vermont	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
Virgin Islands	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Virginia	17	1	4	1	4	9	50
Washington	15	6	6	1	3	12	96
West Virginia	4	1	2	1	3	2	21
Wisconsin	15	2	2	0	0	4	24
Wyoming	4	1	5	0	0	1	23
National Total	958	119	308	98	130	345	2719

Etiology Detail: Prenatal/Congenital Complications

State	Cytomegalovirus (CMV)	Hydrocephaly	Microcephaly	OTHER: Prenatal/ Congenital Complications
Alabama	4	6	0	14
Alaska	0	0	0	3
Arizona	17	1	3	19
Arkansas	6	8	5	24
California	11	13	25	52
Colorado	4	5	2	5
Connecticut	2	1	1	2
Delaware	2	3	3	6
District of Columbia	1	1	0	3
Florida	9	10	8	30
Georgia	7	4	3	16
Hawaii	1	1	1	3
Idaho	1	2	0	4
Illinois	9	12	6	31
Indiana	11	2	3	9
Iowa	2	1	4	4
Kansas	0	3	1	7
Kentucky	9	0	0	15
Louisiana	5	2	1	3
Maine	0	1	1	2
Maryland	8	1	2	9
Massachusetts	5	5	8	7
Michigan	10	6	10	9
Minnesota	16	6	4	14
Mississippi	1	3	1	4
Missouri	10	5	6	11
Montana	3	0	1	2
Nebraska	4	4	2	3
Nevada	1	4	5	13
New Hampshire	6	0	6	4
New Jersey	4	4	5	23
New Mexico	4	6	1	11
New York	14	8	5	22
North Carolina	5	4	6	12
North Dakota	1	2	2	1
Ohio	7	7	10	18
Oklahoma	8	9	5	11
Oregon	8	1	1	7
Pacific Basin	0	0	1	5
Pennsylvania	11	12	14	81
Puerto Rico	1	3	5	0
Rhode Island	0	2	1	4
South Carolina	4	4	0	9
South Dakota	1	0	0	0

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State	Cytomegalovirus (CMV)	Hydrocephaly	Microcephaly	OTHER: Prenatal/ Congenital Complications
Tennessee	10	2	7	12
Texas	21	18	15	35
Utah	5	3	1	10
Vermont	1	1	1	1
Virgin Islands	0	0	0	2
Virginia	7	2	1	16
Washington	7	0	14	16
West Virginia	2	3	3	5
Wisconsin	7	2	1	3
Wyoming	0	0	0	0
National Total	293	203	211	632

Etiology Detail: Postnatal/Non-Congenital Complications

State	Asphyxia	Meningitis	Severe Head Injury	OTHER: Postnatal/Non-Congenital
Alabama	0	2	0	19
Alaska	0	0	0	2
Arizona	0	6	2	6
Arkansas	3	4	11	15
California	11	10	3	44
Colorado	2	4	0	19
Connecticut	1	0	1	5
Delaware	3	2	1	10
District of Columbia	1	1	0	3
Florida	1	4	0	42
Georgia	15	2	3	17
Hawaii	0	1	0	6
Idaho	0	0	3	4
Illinois	7	5	7	18
Indiana	1	2	4	4
Iowa	2	1	3	7
Kansas	1	1	3	9
Kentucky	4	2	3	9
Louisiana	2	0	1	8
Maine	2	0	2	4
Maryland	1	0	3	12
Massachusetts	2	1	4	10
Michigan	16	6	6	12
Minnesota	6	8	5	14
Mississippi	0	1	1	4
Missouri	2	2	2	26
Montana	1	0	1	5
Nebraska	1	4	1	7
Nevada	4	0	3	9

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State	Asphyxia	Meningitis	Severe Head Injury	OTHER: Postnatal/Non-Congenital
New Hampshire	2	1	1	2
New Jersey	9	2	4	18
New Mexico	6	1	3	3
New York	7	5	2	31
North Carolina	1	4	3	25
North Dakota	0	1	0	1
Ohio	7	0	4	21
Oklahoma	6	3	5	14
Oregon	1	0	1	5
Pacific Basin	0	4	2	1
Pennsylvania	8	3	8	75
Puerto Rico	1	1	1	3
Rhode Island	2	1	0	1
South Carolina	0	1	2	6
South Dakota	1	1	3	0
Tennessee	8	9	10	22
Texas	8	10	6	52
Utah	5	3	0	13
Vermont	3	2	0	0
Virgin Islands	0	0	0	2
Virginia	6	5	2	24
Washington	7	3	2	10
West Virginia	1	1	0	13
Wisconsin	5	2	5	8
Wyoming	0	0	0	0
National Total	183	132	137	700

Etiology Detail: Other

State	Complication of Prematurity	No Determination of Etiology	Combined Etiology Detail State Total
Alabama	3	17	242
Alaska	0	0	16
Arizona	17	35	213
Arkansas	20	19	190
California	66	222	829
Colorado	4	14	146
Connecticut	9	2	56
Delaware	10	8	64
District of Columbia	2	2	20
Florida	54	213	584
Georgia	53	34	280
Hawaii	4	15	47
Idaho	6	7	55
Illinois	41	37	329
Indiana	24	59	196

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State	Complication of Prematurity	No Determination of Etiology	Combined Etiology Detail State Total
Iowa	8	7	87
Kansas	7	13	97
Kentucky	25	14	122
Louisiana	8	29	96
Maine	1	4	40
Maryland	26	46	179
Massachusetts	17	37	227
Michigan	38	43	310
Minnesota	38	39	356
Mississippi	9	6	70
Missouri	22	29	223
Montana	2	2	42
Nebraska	13	10	98
Nevada	5	11	111
New Hampshire	5	5	71
New Jersey	19	35	231
New Mexico	16	15	130
New York	44	82	399
North Carolina	39	48	265
North Dakota	0	6	33
Ohio	32	161	405
Oklahoma	19	22	165
Oregon	3	9	95
Pacific Basin	0	28	46
Pennsylvania	58	93	613
Puerto Rico	5	0	34
Rhode Island	9	1	34
South Carolina	11	24	141
South Dakota	2	8	29
Tennessee	32	20	260
Texas	97	66	769
Utah	14	18	127
Vermont	0	2	22
Virgin Islands	2	16	23
Virginia	13	42	204
Washington	20	19	237
West Virginia	5	9	76
Wisconsin	14	35	129
Wyoming	0	7	41
National Total	991	1745	9904

Additional Disabilities

The nature and prevalence of additional disabilities faced by the children and youth on the National Deaf-Blind Child Count have remained relatively stable during the past 5 years. Approximately 87% have been identified as having one or more additional disabilities. Most common are cognitive impairments, orthopedic impairments, and complex health care needs.

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The percentage of children and youth who have orthopedic or physical disabilities has fluctuated between 59% and 61% during this time frame. Similarly, the percentage with intellectual/cognitive disabilities has fluctuated between 65% and 68%. Slightly fewer have complex health care needs, fluctuating between 51% and 53%.

The number of children with additional disabilities has increased over time. In 2005, just 13.1% of the children and youth on the count had four or more additional disabilities. In 2018, nearly 42% were reported as having four or more additional disabilities.

Conversely, more children and youth are also being identified with no additional disabilities. This group of children and youth has increased from 11.1% to 13.2% of the overall population over the past five years.

Other (Additional) Disabilities

State	Orthopedic Physical Impairments	Cognitive Impairments	Behavioral Disorders	Complex Health Care Needs	Speech Language Impairments	Other Impairments	State Total One or More Additional Disabilities
Alabama	97	120	36	77	170	57	186
Alaska	10	11	1	9	13	0	14
Arizona	118	148	5	73	174	22	187
Arkansas	160	169	14	145	183	29	185
California	398	500	121	390	590	259	720
Colorado	72	75	2	76	89	30	131
Connecticut	21	23	6	17	35	4	40
Delaware	34	28	1	24	31	0	35
District of Columbia	8	9	1	9	15	0	15
Florida	220	246	37	199	347	83	413
Georgia	72	240	4	48	109	28	265
Hawaii	26	33	5	31	33	2	43
Idaho	45	44	11	39	49	22	50
Illinois	218	212	19	144	208	19	291
Indiana	91	118	13	96	147	28	168
Iowa	53	59	20	57	65	5	78
Kansas	72	78	17	73	86	43	91
Kentucky	75	93	5	80	118	2	119
Louisiana	52	48	12	38	55	13	65
Maine	22	18	2	20	27	4	29
Maryland	115	125	20	89	141	24	162
Massachusetts	91	95	27	99	131	18	146
Michigan	211	250	57	169	258	307	310
Minnesota	239	248	66	210	298	11	326
Mississippi	51	51	3	46	58	12	66
Missouri	163	167	13	147	196	13	216
Montana	31	32	5	24	39	10	41
Nebraska	59	67	10	56	87	37	95
Nevada	78	82	17	74	98	4	105
New Hampshire	35	30	7	29	39	9	44
New Jersey	150	111	40	137	189	8	215

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State	Orthopedic Physical Impairments	Cognitive Impairments	Behavioral Disorders	Complex Health Care Needs	Speech Language Impairments	Other Impairments	State Total One or More Additional Disabilities
New Mexico	93	101	13	84	113	31	122
New York	226	209	34	173	169	80	318
North Carolina	166	207	19	152	214	9	260
North Dakota	17	19	2	16	21	3	27
Ohio	191	204	34	171	218	52	275
Oklahoma	100	133	8	78	145	26	162
Oregon	63	62	5	45	71	12	84
Pacific Basin	16	25	5	17	40	6	42
Pennsylvania	428	458	63	383	539	82	579
Puerto Rico	21	19	5	27	30	10	33
Rhode Island	30	27	0	24	31	8	33
South Carolina	89	93	7	79	108	16	125
South Dakota	14	20	2	13	25	2	26
Tennessee	195	209	8	164	236	46	253
Texas	460	461	35	383	626	213	693
Utah	100	111	6	64	118	4	121
Vermont	20	20	2	16	21	0	22
Virgin Islands	4	3	1	2	4	1	6
Virginia	89	99	17	82	117	33	134
Washington	181	179	15	167	222	78	224
West Virginia	35	20	2	27	45	5	48
Wisconsin	89	80	23	86	99	12	113
Wyoming	33	36	13	28	38	11	41
National Total	5747	6325	916	5006	7328	1843	8592

Part C Information

Because Part C is non-categorical, most infants and toddlers are identified as developmentally delayed. Some states provide an “at risk” category. About 19% of infants and toddlers on the National Deaf-Blind Child Count are identified as at risk. Almost all receive intervention services in the home.

IDEA Part C Reported Category

State	At-Risk	Developmentally Delayed	Not Reported Under Part C	Unknown/Missing	State Total
Alabama	0	29	2	0	31
Alaska	0	2	0	0	2
Arizona	4	6	0	8	18
Arkansas	0	0	3	0	3
California	29	5	2	10	46
Colorado	0	15	0	1	16
Connecticut	0	5	1	0	6
Delaware	0	0	0	1	1
District of Columbia	0	0	0	0	0
Florida	0	13	0	3	16
Georgia	16	0	0	1	17
Hawaii	0	0	0	0	0
Idaho	0	2	0	0	2
Illinois	7	4	0	0	11
Indiana	1	12	0	0	13
Iowa	4	1	1	0	6
Kansas	0	6	0	0	6
Kentucky	0	10	0	0	10
Louisiana	0	2	0	3	5
Maine	1	3	0	0	4
Maryland	1	1	0	0	2
Massachusetts	0	6	0	0	6
Michigan	3	5	0	0	8
Minnesota	5	13	0	0	18
Mississippi	1	7	0	0	8
Missouri	6	11	0	0	17
Montana	2	1	0	0	3
Nebraska	0	1	1	0	2
Nevada	0	17	0	0	17
New Hampshire	0	3	0	1	4
New Jersey	0	7	1	0	8
New Mexico	0	9	0	0	9
New York	8	6	1	0	15
North Carolina	3	2	2	0	7
North Dakota	0	3	0	0	3
Ohio	0	3	0	0	3
Oklahoma	0	9	1	0	10
Oregon	3	3	0	6	12
Pacific Basin	0	0	0	0	0
Pennsylvania	7	109	1	0	117
Puerto Rico	0	4	0	0	4
Rhode Island	0	2	0	0	2

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State	At-Risk	Developmentally Delayed	Not Reported Under Part C	Unknown/Missing	State Total
South Carolina	4	5	0	1	10
South Dakota	0	1	2	0	3
Tennessee	5	33	0	0	38
Texas	4	39	6	0	49
Utah	1	12	0	0	13
Vermont	0	0	0	0	0
Virgin Islands	0	0	0	0	0
Virginia	2	7	0	0	9
Washington	6	9	0	2	17
West Virginia	0	10	0	0	10
Wisconsin	1	5	0	0	6
Wyoming	0	4	0	0	4
National Total	124	462	24	37	647

Early Intervention Setting (Ages Birth through 2)

State	Home	Community-based Setting	Other Setting	Unknown/Missing	State Total
Alabama	27	3	1	0	31
Alaska	1	0	1	0	2
Arizona	18	0	0	0	18
Arkansas	0	2	1	0	3
California	37	5	0	5	47
Colorado	14	1	1	0	16
Connecticut	6	0	0	0	6
Delaware	0	0	0	1	1
District of Columbia	0	0	0	0	0
Florida	16	0	0	0	16
Georgia	15	0	0	2	17
Hawaii	0	0	0	0	0
Idaho	2	0	0	0	2
Illinois	10	0	1	0	11
Indiana	12	1	0	0	13
Iowa	5	0	1	0	6
Kansas	6	0	0	0	6
Kentucky	10	0	0	0	10
Louisiana	2	0	0	3	5
Maine	3	0	1	0	4
Maryland	2	0	0	0	2
Massachusetts	6	0	0	0	6
Michigan	7	1	0	0	8
Minnesota	15	3	0	0	18
Mississippi	2	5	1	0	8
Missouri	17	0	0	0	17
Montana	2	1	0	0	3
Nebraska	1	0	0	1	2
Nevada	17	0	0	0	17
New Hampshire	2	0	0	2	4
New Jersey	8	0	0	0	8

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State	Home	Community-based Setting	Other Setting	Unknown/ Missing	State Total
New Mexico	8	0	1	0	9
New York	8	4	4	4	20
North Carolina	1	0	0	3	4
North Dakota	2	0	1	0	3
Ohio	3	0	0	0	3
Oklahoma	9	0	0	1	10
Oregon	11	0	0	1	12
Pacific Basin	0	0	0	0	0
Pennsylvania	107	2	8	0	117
Puerto Rico	4	0	0	0	4
Rhode Island	1	0	1	0	2
South Carolina	8	0	2	0	10
South Dakota	3	0	0	0	3
Tennessee	33	5	0	0	38
Texas	44	4	1	0	49
Utah	13	0	0	0	13
Vermont	8	1	0	0	9
Virgin Islands	0	0	0	0	0
Virginia	0	0	0	0	0
Washington	14	0	2	1	17
West Virginia	10	0	0	0	10
Wisconsin	2	0	0	4	6
Wyoming	4	0	0	0	4
National Total	556	38	28	28	650

Part B Information

Over two-thirds of all the children and youth in Part B have one of 4 disability category designations: Multiple Disability (39.9%), Deaf-Blind (18.8%), Hearing Impaired (8.9%), or Visually Impaired (4.9%). This distribution has remained essentially unchanged for the past five years.

The percentage of young children, aged 3 to 5, educated in a regular early childhood education setting some portion of the day has doubled in the past decade from less than 15% to 32%. Over 64% of school-age children and youth in special education are being served at least a portion of their day in a regular classroom in their local school.

The continued trend toward educational placement in inclusive settings, especially at the pre-school level, is significant and positive for children and families. The trend does, however, have profound implications on the need for information, resources, and access to expertise in deaf-blindness being available at a local level.

During the 2018 National Deaf-Blind Child Count data review process a coding issue was discovered related to Part B Educational Setting fields for Early Childhood (age 3-5) and School Aged (age 6-21). Some state deaf-blind projects were using an older set of codes and some were using a newer set. A few were using a mix of the two. Significant efforts were made by the national and state projects to identify the codes used and cross-walk the codes into common reporting code values. However, it does bear mentioning that irregularities that may be found in these numbers could be due to the inconsistent code issue.

IDEA Part B Reported Category (Part 1 of 2)

State	Intellectual Disability	Hearing Impairment	Speech Language Impairment	Visual Impairment	Emotional Disturbance	Orthopedic Impairment	Other Health Impairment	Specific Learning Disability
Alabama	6	56	4	21	7	3	3	2
Alaska	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Arizona	0	10	0	4	0	0	0	0
Arkansas	4	10	0	6	0	0	7	2
California	11	37	2	29	2	13	2	0
Colorado	1	3	0	1	0	2	8	0
Connecticut	0	2	0	1	0	0	2	0
Delaware	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
District of Columbia	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
Florida	55	62	1	13	0	1	11	0
Georgia	96	20	0	12	1	2	32	2
Hawaii	1	2	0	1	0	0	2	0
Idaho	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Illinois	0	20	0	0	0	4	37	0
Indiana	4	24	1	21	0	3	3	0
Iowa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Kansas	1	1	0	2	0	0	6	0
Kentucky	0	10	0	5	0	0	1	1
Louisiana	5	8	0	1	0	1	3	1
Maine	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
Maryland	1	10	0	2	0	0	18	0
Massachusetts	1	11	3	4	0	0	4	1
Michigan	13	34	1	9	1	0	21	1
Minnesota	9	19	0	3	1	0	9	0
Mississippi	1	3	0	0	0	1	1	0
Missouri	6	8	2	8	0	0	21	0
Montana	2	1	0	3	0	0	3	1
Nebraska	2	8	0	2	0	0	16	0
Nevada	2	6	0	0	0	0	7	0

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State	Intellectual Disability	Hearing Impairment	Speech Language Impairment	Visual Impairment	Emotional Disturbance	Orthopedic Impairment	Other Health Impairment	Specific Learning Disability
New Hampshire	1	4	1	2	0	2	2	0
New Jersey	1	5	0	1	0	0	2	0
New Mexico	2	9	2	7	0	0	4	1
New York	0	41	61	19	2	0	12	0
North Carolina	15	10	1	6	0	0	11	1
North Dakota	6	3	2	3	0	0	10	0
Ohio	6	26	3	43	1	2	12	2
Oklahoma	0	13	0	12	0	1	1	0
Oregon	11	11	1	11	0	8	7	0
Pacific Basin	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	0
Pennsylvania	20	65	8	42	2	2	29	7
Puerto Rico	0	4	0	1	0	0	0	0
Rhode Island	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
South Carolina	10	26	0	8	0	2	10	0
South Dakota	0	2	3	2	0	0	0	0
Tennessee	13	17	1	6	0	1	13	0
Texas	75	79	1	61	0	9	111	0
Utah	0	1	0	2	0	0	4	1
Vermont	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	0
Virgin Islands	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Virginia	6	19	0	12	1	0	17	2
Washington	3	9	0	5	0	0	34	0
West Virginia	5	5	0	7	0	1	6	0
Wisconsin	9	17	1	6	0	4	23	0
Wyoming	0	1	1	1	0	0	4	0
National Total	407	743	100	408	18	62	540	34

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IDEA Part B Reported Category (Part 2 of 2)

State	Deaf-Blindness	Multiple Disabilities	Autism	Traumatic Brain Injury	Developmentally Delayed (optional age 3 - 9)	Non-Categorical	Unknown/ Not Reported Under Part B	State Total
Alabama	35	52	1	1	8	0	12	211
Alaska	8	3	0	0	1	0	0	14
Arizona	50	117	0	1	0	0	13	195
Arkansas	5	134	1	5	6	0	7	187
California	36	14	13	22	2	1	32	216
Colorado	41	59	4	0	1	0	10	130
Connecticut	12	27	1	1	3	0	1	50
Delaware	50	0	1	0	0	0	11	63
District of Columbia	3	9	0	0	1	0	0	17
Florida	47	219	0	5	34	0	1	449
Georgia	43	6	8	0	40	1	0	263
Hawaii	2	32	0	0	0	0	7	47
Idaho	9	30	0	0	9	0	3	53
Illinois	74	148	31	0	0	0	4	318
Indiana	23	95	1	1	4	0	3	183
Iowa	0	0	0	0	0	67	5	81
Kansas	17	49	1	1	8	0	4	90
Kentucky	13	63	1	0	16	0	2	112
Louisiana	4	24	0	1	4	0	7	59
Maine	5	14	0	0	12	1	0	36
Maryland	16	102	2	0	9	1	3	164
Massachusetts	75	54	3	0	60	3	2	221
Michigan	25	172	4	2	2	3	14	302
Minnesota	125	126	2	3	41	0	0	338
Mississippi	7	35	0	0	11	0	3	62
Missouri	24	96	0	2	19	2	18	206
Montana	8	12	0	1	7	1	0	39
Nebraska	22	35	1	1	9	0	0	96
Nevada	11	59	2	2	3	0	2	94

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State	Deaf-Blindness	Multiple Disabilities	Autism	Traumatic Brain Injury	Developmentally Delayed (optional age 3 - 9)	Non-Categorical	Unknown/ Not Reported Under Part B	State Total
New Hampshire	11	15	1	1	26	0	1	67
New Jersey	23	153	0	1	18	4	15	223
New Mexico	12	78	1	0	5	0	0	121
New York	34	79	0	5	16	1	6	276
North Carolina	36	131	0	3	11	0	0	225
North Dakota	2	0	1	0	0	3	0	30
Ohio	41	228	4	7	3	24	0	402
Oklahoma	20	59	2	0	33	0	14	155
Oregon	15	2	2	1	3	0	10	82
Pacific Basin	14	25	0	0	0	0	2	46
Pennsylvania	82	188	7	7	25	3	9	496
Puerto Rico	5	20	0	0	0	0	0	30
Rhode Island	5	24	0	0	0	0	0	32
South Carolina	12	36	0	0	14	0	5	123
South Dakota	2	16	0	0	0	0	1	26
Tennessee	18	119	3	0	20	0	11	222
Texas	347	20	7	3	4	3	0	720
Utah	11	85	0	0	7	0	2	113
Vermont	2	4	1	0	10	0	0	22
Virgin Islands	0	1	0	0	0	0	20	23
Virginia	24	92	4	0	14	2	2	195
Washington	27	118	0	1	10	0	13	220
West Virginia	25	6	0	0	10	1	0	66
Wisconsin	14	28	0	2	8	0	11	123
Wyoming	1	29	0	0	0	0	0	37
National Total	1573	3342	110	80	547	121	286	8371

Educational Setting: ECSE (3 to 5) Settings

State	Regular EC Setting 80% of Time	Regular EC Setting 40 to 79% of Time	Regular EC Setting < 40% of Time	Separate Class	Separate School	Residential Facility	Service Provider Location	Home	Unknown/ Missing	State Total
Alabama	9	0	0	3	1	1	1	3	0	18
Alaska	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Arizona	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	7	15
Arkansas	0	0	0	1	8	0	0	2	1	12
California	3	1	1	19	6	0	0	7	11	48
Colorado	14	1	0	4	5	0	0	1	2	27
Connecticut	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	0	9
Delaware	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	9
District of Columbia	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Florida	6	0	0	10	6	0	0	2	0	24
Georgia	3	1	1	31	0	1	0	2	0	39
Hawaii	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Idaho	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	4
Illinois	3	3	8	7	5	1	0	4	0	31
Indiana	4	0	0	3	3	0	0	4	0	14
Iowa	3	1	1	0	1	0	0	4	1	11
Kansas	10	2	2	0	3	0	0	1	0	18
Kentucky	8	0	3	1	2	0	0	1	0	15
Louisiana	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	5
Maine	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	5
Maryland	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	4
Massachusetts	1	1	2	5	2	0	0	7	8	26
Michigan	9	1	0	0	12	0	0	1	6	29
Minnesota	8	8	1	8	4	1	0	2	0	32
Mississippi	1	0	2	2	0	0	2	4	0	11
Missouri	2	2	4	6	11	0	1	2	16	44
Montana	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	4
Nebraska	2	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	5
Nevada	0	0	1	3	5	0	0	6	1	16

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State	Regular EC Setting 80% of Time	Regular EC Setting 40 to 79% of Time	Regular EC Setting < 40% of Time	Separate Class	Separate School	Residential Facility	Service Provider Location	Home	Unknown/ Missing	State Total
New Hampshire	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	9	0	12
New Jersey	8	1	3	3	5	1	0	0	3	24
New Mexico	10	1	3	0	6	0	1	5	1	27
New York	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	16	19
North Carolina	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	23	26
North Dakota	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	7
Ohio	15	1	1	0	2	0	0	3	1	23
Oklahoma	8	1	1	3	3	4	1	1	3	25
Oregon	2	0	3	0	3	0	0	2	2	12
Pacific Basin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
Pennsylvania	17	1	2	19	53	1	2	38	8	141
Puerto Rico	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Rhode Island	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	5
South Carolina	5	1	3	4	6	0	0	4	1	24
South Dakota	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Tennessee	5	0	2	12	8	0	0	8	5	40
Texas	47	7	3	8	15	3	0	4	5	92
Utah	1	0	3	7	10	0	0	4	0	25
Vermont	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Virgin Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
Virginia	9	6	0	4	1	0	0	3	0	23
Washington	4	1	2	8	1	1	0	2	14	33
West Virginia	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	7
Wisconsin	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	8	2	13
Wyoming	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4
National Total	239	50	57	179	199	29	9	171	145	1078

Educational Setting: School Aged (6 to 21) Settings

State	Regular Class > 80%	Regular Class 40 to 79%	Regular Class < 40%	Separate School	Residential Facility	Homebound Hospital	Parentally Placed Private School	Unknown /Missing	State Total
Alabama	39	11	42	43	49	7	1	1	193
Alaska	3	1	9	0	0	0	0	0	13
Arizona	15	16	91	53	0	4	0	2	181
Arkansas	6	12	123	4	24	29	0	7	205
California	150	55	322	162	7	48	0	108	852
Colorado	14	22	45	14	7	7	0	10	119
Connecticut	9	7	21	4	1	8	0	0	50
Delaware	0	5	1	6	34	7	0	1	54
District of Columbia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Florida	57	23	168	61	0	18	0	1	328
Georgia	33	18	149	26	2	9	7	10	254
Hawaii	5	3	36	3	1	4	0	0	52
Idaho	6	4	11	10	2	5	0	12	50
Illinois	33	28	138	45	14	15	5	26	304
Indiana	42	18	79	11	10	4	19	10	193
Iowa	10	9	28	12	0	1	0	14	74
Kansas	1	11	7	50	3	6	0	1	79
Kentucky	19	26	53	6	8	7	6	0	125
Louisiana	7	2	21	4	8	11	1	0	54
Maine	10	8	6	13	2	0	0	0	39
Maryland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Massachusetts	32	29	66	53	3	20	1	2	206
Michigan	50	24	38	118	2	9	11	5	257
Minnesota	55	51	150	41	11	20	2	0	330
Mississippi	4	2	25	6	3	15	0	0	55
Missouri	28	33	48	53	0	13	10	0	185
Montana	4	16	8	4	1	3	5	3	44
Nebraska	1	23	28	32	6	4	1	0	95
Nevada	8	3	45	13	0	11	3	4	87
New Hampshire	19	12	9	7	7	5	1	1	61
New Jersey	19	10	31	126	2	3	0	0	191

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State	Regular Class > 80%	Regular Class 40 to 79%	Regular Class < 40%	Separate School	Residential Facility	Homebound Hospital	Parentally Placed Private School	Unknown /Missing	State Total
New Mexico	23	6	30	25	1	8	1	0	94
New York	41	13	76	53	35	5	3	96	322
North Carolina	10	80	60	46	23	28	0	4	251
North Dakota	7	6	5	1	3	0	0	1	23
Ohio	87	30	101	115	7	15	2	34	391
Oklahoma	16	12	68	11	6	20	0	8	141
Oregon	16	10	33	1	2	4	1	11	78
Pacific Basin	4	16	15	0	0	11	0	1	47
Pennsylvania	79	48	115	124	6	25	1	6	404
Puerto Rico	2	1	8	5	3	8	2	0	29
Rhode Island	5	1	11	6	3	2	1	0	29
South Carolina	6	9	43	19	13	17	4	1	112
South Dakota	3	2	4	4	6	5	1	0	25
Tennessee	21	21	87	36	4	29	9	1	208
Texas	119	67	325	32	25	69	0	70	707
Utah	10	4	27	48	0	6	0	1	96
Vermont	2	3	6	1	1	2	0	0	15
Virgin Islands	0	0	8	1	0	0	0	11	20
Virginia	37	18	76	21	15	11	0	4	182
Washington	30	13	120	5	7	15	5	0	195
West Virginia	14	18	9	0	13	7	0	0	61
Wisconsin	22	15	47	10	2	10	4	8	118
Wyoming	4	4	25	0	0	2	1	0	36
National Total	1237	879	3097	1544	382	592	108	473	8314

Data Note: Due to data system problems DC and MD data were not included in this table.

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State Assessments

State	Regular Grade-Level State Assessment	Regular with Accommodations	Alternative Assessments	Not Required at Age/Grade Level or Parent Opt Out	Unknown/Missing	State Total
Alabama	6	66	100	69	1	242
Alaska	0	0	7	8	1	16
Arizona	31	0	125	57	0	213
Arkansas	0	18	97	75	0	190
California	22	106	281	285	135	829
Colorado	4	13	54	74	1	146
Connecticut	0	4	11	41	0	56
Delaware	2	4	15	38	5	64
District of Columbia	1	3	5	4	7	20
Florida	14	106	175	57	232	584
Georgia	4	38	142	78	18	280
Hawaii	0	1	16	25	5	47
Idaho	2	2	0	25	26	55
Illinois	5	50	141	133	0	329
Indiana	4	60	86	46	0	196
Iowa	1	19	41	26	0	87
Kansas	0	12	38	44	3	97
Kentucky	1	16	64	41	0	122
Louisiana	4	3	12	34	43	96
Maine	0	1	6	33	0	40
Maryland	0	40	86	25	28	179
Massachusetts	3	5	102	116	1	227
Michigan	3	45	174	88	0	310
Minnesota	4	51	179	122	0	356
Mississippi	0	7	26	37	0	70
Missouri	2	40	76	105	0	223
Montana	0	7	19	16	0	42
Nebraska	2	19	47	30	0	98
Nevada	1	11	45	54	0	111
New Hampshire	2	0	16	53	0	71
New Jersey	4	23	156	47	1	231
New Mexico	5	10	103	12	0	130

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State	Regular Grade-Level State Assessment	Regular with Accommodations	Alternative Assessments	Not Required at Age/Grade Level or Parent Opt Out	Unknown/Missing	State Total
New York	8	38	79	139	135	399
North Carolina	13	34	117	96	5	265
North Dakota	1	5	5	22	0	33
Ohio	10	82	166	147	0	405
Oklahoma	1	7	64	91	2	165
Oregon	2	9	23	58	3	95
Pacific Basin	2	2	22	20	0	46
Pennsylvania	9	64	151	389	0	613
Puerto Rico	0	2	12	16	4	34
Rhode Island	2	1	15	16	0	34
South Carolina	3	25	41	67	5	141
South Dakota	6	2	9	12	0	29
Tennessee	5	20	70	153	12	260
Texas	50	66	296	354	3	769
Utah	10	6	55	56	0	127
Vermont	0	1	9	12	0	22
Virgin Islands	0	1	3	3	16	23
Virginia	11	25	94	72	2	204
Washington	8	24	99	106	0	237
West Virginia	0	13	38	25	0	76
Wisconsin	2	17	44	37	29	129
Wyoming	0	1	25	15	0	41
National Total	270	1225	3882	3804	723	9904

Educational Supports

Interveners are key players in providing access to a child or youth who is deaf-blind. They provide access to information, the environment, communication, and conceptual learning. While it is encouraging to see that 726 children and youth are receiving intervener services, it is also discouraging that this accounts for only 7% of the population. Continued efforts are needed to fully implement the [2012 Intervener Service Recommendations](#).

Intervener Services

State	Yes	No	Unknown/ Missing	State Total
Alabama	4	238	0	242
Alaska	0	16	0	16
Arizona	13	200	0	213
Arkansas	0	190	0	190
California	71	381	377	829
Colorado	6	136	4	146
Connecticut	5	38	13	56
Delaware	0	63	1	64
District of Columbia	0	0	20	20
Florida	11	98	475	584
Georgia	17	237	26	280
Hawaii	0	0	47	47
Idaho	0	55	0	55
Illinois	4	317	8	329
Indiana	10	171	15	196
Iowa	2	85	0	87
Kansas	9	87	1	97
Kentucky	0	122	0	122
Louisiana	2	48	46	96
Maine	5	30	5	40
Maryland	0	0	179	179
Massachusetts	5	179	43	227
Michigan	23	287	0	310
Minnesota	101	255	0	356
Mississippi	0	70	0	70
Missouri	44	176	3	223
Montana	3	38	1	42
Nebraska	14	60	24	98
Nevada	12	56	43	111
New Hampshire	3	49	19	71
New Jersey	1	230	0	231
New Mexico	3	124	3	130
New York	14	385	0	399
North Carolina	14	235	16	265
North Dakota	5	22	6	33
Ohio	0	405	0	405
Oklahoma	13	149	3	165

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State	Yes	No	Unknown/ Missing	State Total
Oregon	2	90	3	95
Pacific Basin	0	0	46	46
Pennsylvania	78	409	126	613
Puerto Rico	0	34	0	34
Rhode Island	0	34	0	34
South Carolina	9	112	20	141
South Dakota	3	26	0	29
Tennessee	3	257	0	260
Texas	84	658	27	769
Utah	59	67	1	127
Vermont	6	16	0	22
Virgin Islands	0	20	3	23
Virginia	19	25	160	204
Washington	22	162	53	237
West Virginia	9	67	0	76
Wisconsin	15	91	23	129
Wyoming	3	31	7	41
National Total	726	7331	1847	9904

Living Setting

Most children and youth live at home with their parents or extended family (93.2%). This percentage has gone up slightly over the past five years. Fewer are living with foster parents, in state or private residential facilities, or in group homes or apartments.

Given that almost all children and youth who are deaf-blind live in a home setting, providing supports to families (nuclear, extended, and foster) is critical. Supports that include access to parent networks and leadership/self-advocacy skills training are important components of the umbrella of services needed for children who are deaf-blind and their families.

Living Setting (Part 1 of 2)

State	Home: Parents	Home: Extended Family	Home: Foster Parents	State Residential Facility	Private Residential Facility	Group Home (less than 6 residents)
Alabama	226	7	1	6	0	0
Alaska	16	0	0	0	0	0
Arizona	199	6	5	1	0	0
Arkansas	166	4	1	3	16	0
California	737	12	10	0	1	1
Colorado	138	5	3	0	0	0
Connecticut	54	0	0	1	0	0
Delaware	59	1	2	0	0	0
District of Columbia	15	1	1	0	0	0
Florida	475	93	7	1	0	0
Georgia	251	15	11	1	0	0
Hawaii	42	1	0	0	0	0

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State	Home: Parents	Home: Extended Family	Home: Foster Parents	State Residential Facility	Private Residential Facility	Group Home (less than 6 residents)
Idaho	51	3	1	0	0	0
Illinois	286	8	7	14	4	0
Indiana	168	14	5	2	6	0
Iowa	77	4	1	2	1	0
Kansas	92	2	2	0	0	0
Kentucky	105	9	5	0	0	0
Louisiana	53	6	0	7	2	0
Maine	38	1	0	0	1	0
Maryland	167	3	1	0	0	1
Massachusetts	216	2	2	0	1	0
Michigan	291	6	3	0	0	7
Minnesota	330	16	7	1	0	0
Mississippi	61	5	1	1	1	0
Missouri	212	7	2	0	0	0
Montana	36	4	0	1	0	0
Nebraska	88	4	3	0	1	0
Nevada	103	5	0	0	1	0
New Hampshire	69	0	1	0	0	0
New Jersey	222	2	2	0	3	0
New Mexico	117	5	6	0	1	0
New York	313	13	6	1	2	2
North Carolina	210	15	3	4	32	0
North Dakota	28	0	0	0	4	0
Ohio	371	13	9	0	10	2
Oklahoma	136	9	10	5	2	0
Oregon	82	2	6	2	0	0
Pacific Basin	40	6	0	0	0	0
Pennsylvania	562	13	15	3	7	1
Puerto Rico	32	0	0	0	0	0
Rhode Island	25	4	0	0	2	0
South Carolina	125	11	5	0	0	0
South Dakota	21	3	1	1	2	0
Tennessee	235	13	9	2	0	0
Texas	715	36	8	0	4	2
Utah	123	1	1	1	0	0
Vermont	22	0	0	0	0	0
Virgin Islands	13	0	0	0	0	0
Virginia	177	2	2	3	5	0
Washington	221	4	5	2	1	0
West Virginia	63	3	0	9	0	0
Wisconsin	112	1	1	1	0	0
Wyoming	36	2	3	0	0	0
National Total	8822	402	174	75	110	16

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Living Setting (Part 2 of 2)

State	Group Home (6 or more residents)	Apartment (w/ non-family person(s))	Pediatric Nursing Home	Other	Unknown/Missing	State Total
Alabama	0	0	0	0	2	242
Alaska	0	0	0	0	0	16
Arizona	0	0	0	0	2	213
Arkansas	0	0	0	0	0	190
California	1	1	12	3	51	829
Colorado	0	0	0	0	0	146
Connecticut	1	0	0	0	0	56
Delaware	0	0	2	0	0	64
District of Columbia	0	0	0	0	3	20
Florida	0	0	0	1	7	584
Georgia	1	0	0	0	1	280
Hawaii	0	0	2	1	1	47
Idaho	0	0	0	0	0	55
Illinois	0	0	9	0	1	329
Indiana	1	0	0	0	0	196
Iowa	2	0	0	0	0	87
Kansas	0	0	0	0	1	97
Kentucky	0	0	3	0	0	122
Louisiana	0	0	0	0	28	96
Maine	0	0	0	0	0	40
Maryland	0	0	0	0	7	179
Massachusetts	0	0	0	0	6	227
Michigan	3	0	0	0	0	310
Minnesota	1	0	0	0	1	356
Mississippi	0	0	0	1	0	70
Missouri	1	0	0	0	1	223
Montana	0	0	0	1	0	42
Nebraska	0	0	1	0	1	98
Nevada	0	0	0	2	0	111
New Hampshire	0	0	1	0	0	71
New Jersey	0	0	2	0	0	231
New Mexico	1	0	0	0	0	130
New York	1	0	6	3	52	399
North Carolina	0	0	0	1	0	265
North Dakota	1	0	0	0	0	33
Ohio	0	0	0	0	0	405
Oklahoma	0	0	0	1	2	165
Oregon	0	0	1	1	1	95
Pacific Basin	0	0	0	0	0	46
Pennsylvania	2	0	10	0	0	613
Puerto Rico	0	0	0	0	2	34
Rhode Island	0	0	3	0	0	34
South Carolina	0	0	0	0	0	141
South Dakota	0	0	0	0	1	29
Tennessee	0	0	0	0	1	260
Texas	0	0	2	2	0	769
Utah	0	0	0	0	1	127
Vermont	0	0	0	0	0	22

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State	Group Home (6 or more residents)	Apartment (w/ non-family person(s))	Pediatric Nursing Home	Other	Unknown/Missing	State Total
Virgin Islands	0	0	0	0	10	23
Virginia	1	0	2	4	8	204
Washington	2	0	1	0	1	237
West Virginia	0	0	0	0	1	76
Wisconsin	0	0	0	0	14	129
Wyoming	0	0	0	0	0	41
National Total	19	1	57	21	207	9904

Exiting Information

The vast majority of children who exit Part C are eligible for Part B (91%). This percentage has remained relatively constant over the past five years, varying between 90% and 93%. The remaining children have moved out of state, been withdrawn by parents, were not able to be contacted, or died.

Ensuring a seamless transition between Part C and Part B is critical for maintaining appropriate services for children as they enter preschool. The number of children who seem to be “lost” in this transition warrants attention.

Children and youth exit Part B for a number of reasons. They graduate, age out, transfer to regular education, drop out, or die. From 2014 to 2018, there has been a decrease in the number of youth graduating with a regular diploma, from 232 to 185. This has been accompanied by an increase in the numbers of youth who have aged-out from 224 to 253.

The need for post-secondary education or employment has important implications for the continued development of effective post-secondary supports for students who are exiting Part B every year, whether through having received a diploma or certificate, simply aging out, or transitioning to adult services. The growing number of youth who drop out of school also has important implications for effective educational programming and the continued development of effective post-secondary supports.

Part C Exiting Status (Part 1 of 2)

State	In EI Program	Completion of IFSP Prior to Maximum Age	Eligible for Part B	Not Eligible for Part B, Referrals to Other Programs	Part B Eligibility Not Determined	Died
Alabama	31	0	7	0	0	0
Alaska	2	0	0	0	0	0
Arizona	8	0	2	0	0	0
Arkansas	3	0	5	0	0	0
California	31	0	16	0	2	0
Colorado	13	0	9	0	0	0

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State	In EI Program	Completion of IFSP Prior to Maximum Age	Eligible for Part B	Not Eligible for Part B, Referrals to Other Programs	Part B Eligibility Not Determined	Died
Connecticut	7	0	1	0	0	0
Delaware	0	0	0	0	0	0
District of Columbia	0	0	0	0	0	0
Florida	14	0	10	0	0	0
Georgia	19	1	17	0	2	0
Hawaii	0	0	0	0	0	0
Idaho	3	0	0	0	0	0
Illinois	11	0	11	0	0	0
Indiana	13	0	3	0	0	0
Iowa	6	0	4	0	0	0
Kansas	6	0	7	0	0	1
Kentucky	10	0	6	0	0	0
Louisiana	2	0	2	0	0	1
Maine	3	0	2	0	0	0
Maryland	2	0	1	0	0	0
Massachusetts	4	0	8	0	0	0
Michigan	8	1	6	0	0	1
Minnesota	18	0	8	0	0	1
Mississippi	8	0	3	0	0	0
Missouri	17	0	18	0	0	0
Montana	3	1	0	0	0	0
Nebraska	1	0	3	0	0	0
Nevada	17	0	11	0	1	0
New Hampshire	2	0	4	0	0	0
New Jersey	8	0	6	0	0	0
New Mexico	9	0	11	0	0	0
New York	7	0	15	0	0	0
North Carolina	8	0	10	0	0	0
North Dakota	3	0	1	0	0	0
Ohio	3	0	4	0	0	0
Oklahoma	7	0	3	1	0	0
Oregon	12	0	2	0	0	0
Pacific Basin	0	0	1	0	0	0
Pennsylvania	117	1	61	0	1	0
Puerto Rico	4	0	1	0	0	0
Rhode Island	2	0	3	0	0	0
South Carolina	10	0	11	0	0	0
South Dakota	2	0	2	0	0	0
Tennessee	40	0	15	0	0	0
Texas	53	2	30	0	0	1
Utah	13	1	5	0	0	0
Vermont	0	0	1	0	0	0
Virgin Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Virginia	7	0	6	0	0	0
Washington	15	1	10	0	0	0
West Virginia	10	0	4	0	0	0
Wisconsin	6	0	4	0	0	0
Wyoming	3	0	3	0	0	0
National Total	601	8	373	1	6	5

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Part C Exiting Status (Part 2 of 2)

State	Moved Out of State	Withdrawn by Parent	Unable to Contact Parent	Unknown/Missing/Not in Part C	State Total
Alabama	0	0	0	0	38
Alaska	0	0	0	0	2
Arizona	0	0	0	10	20
Arkansas	0	0	0	0	8
California	1	0	0	10	60
Colorado	0	0	0	3	25
Connecticut	0	0	0	0	8
Delaware	0	0	0	1	1
District of Columbia	0	0	0	0	0
Florida	0	0	0	0	24
Georgia	0	0	0	2	41
Hawaii	0	0	0	0	0
Idaho	0	0	0	0	3
Illinois	0	0	0	0	22
Indiana	0	0	0	0	16
Iowa	0	0	0	0	10
Kansas	0	0	0	0	14
Kentucky	0	0	0	0	16
Louisiana	0	0	0	3	8
Maine	0	0	0	1	6
Maryland	0	0	0	0	3
Massachusetts	1	0	0	2	15
Michigan	1	0	0	0	17
Minnesota	0	0	0	0	27
Mississippi	1	0	0	0	12
Missouri	0	0	0	0	35
Montana	0	0	0	0	4
Nebraska	0	0	0	0	4
Nevada	0	0	0	0	29
New Hampshire	0	0	0	0	6
New Jersey	0	0	0	0	14
New Mexico	0	0	0	0	20
New York	0	0	0	4	26
North Carolina	0	0	0	0	18
North Dakota	0	0	0	0	4
Ohio	0	0	0	0	7
Oklahoma	0	0	1	2	14
Oregon	0	0	0	0	14
Pacific Basin	0	0	0	0	1
Pennsylvania	1	2	0	9	192
Puerto Rico	0	0	0	0	5
Rhode Island	0	0	0	0	5
South Carolina	1	0	0	1	23
South Dakota	0	0	0	0	4
Tennessee	0	1	0	0	56
Texas	0	1	0	2	89
Utah	0	0	0	0	19
Vermont	0	0	0	1	2

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State	Moved Out of State	Withdrawn by Parent	Unable to Contact Parent	Unknown/Missing/Not in Part C	State Total
Virgin Islands	0	0	0	0	0
Virginia	1	0	0	0	14
Washington	0	0	0	2	28
West Virginia	0	0	0	0	14
Wisconsin	0	0	0	0	10
Wyoming	0	0	0	0	6
National Total	7	4	1	53	1059

Part B Exiting Status (Part 1 of 2)

State	In Special Education Program	Transferred to Regular Education	Graduated with Regular Diploma	Received a Certificate	Reached Maximum Age for Part B Services
Alabama	243	1	0	2	5
Alaska	13	0	0	0	0
Arizona	185	0	1	0	0
Arkansas	187	0	12	2	3
California	204	16	29	16	33
Colorado	128	4	0	0	9
Connecticut	50	1	0	0	6
Delaware	0	0	0	0	0
District of Columbia	3	0	0	0	0
Florida	561	3	3	0	16
Georgia	271	3	9	1	0
Hawaii	47	1	3	0	4
Idaho	54	0	0	0	0
Illinois	315	3	7	0	3
Indiana	183	1	5	2	0
Iowa	89	2	0	0	0
Kansas	92	2	1	0	1
Kentucky	112	0	10	11	0
Louisiana	59	2	3	3	0
Maine	36	5	0	0	1
Maryland	128	3	1	0	0
Massachusetts	222	1	0	0	23
Michigan	317	4	8	9	0
Minnesota	344	0	6	4	7
Mississippi	62	0	1	0	3
Missouri	204	4	7	1	0
Montana	45	0	1	0	3
Nebraska	95	0	3	0	0
Nevada	96	4	0	0	3
New Hampshire	68	0	0	0	6
New Jersey	228	2	0	0	0
New Mexico	121	0	0	0	0
New York	386	0	1	0	16
North Carolina	270	3	1	2	1
North Dakota	3	0	0	0	0
Ohio	402	4	0	0	0
Oklahoma	142	0	6	0	14

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State	In Special Education Program	Transferred to Regular Education	Graduated with Regular Diploma	Received a Certificate	Reached Maximum Age for Part B Services
Oregon	83	0	3	0	1
Pacific Basin	48	1	0	0	0
Pennsylvania	523	2	16	0	3
Puerto Rico	30	0	0	0	1
Rhode Island	30	2	0	0	0
South Carolina	132	0	0	1	2
South Dakota	25	0	0	0	0
Tennessee	225	4	1	3	1
Texas	762	14	33	1	0
Utah	108	2	1	1	4
Vermont	21	0	0	0	0
Virgin Islands	23	0	0	0	0
Virginia	199	0	1	0	3
Washington	199	7	11	0	0
West Virginia	68	0	0	0	0
Wisconsin	120	1	0	0	1
Wyoming	37	1	1	1	0
National Total	8598	103	185	60	173

Data Note: Due to data system problems DE data were not included in this table.

Part B Exiting Status (Part 2 of 2)

State	Died	Moved: Known to be Continuing	Dropped Out	Unknown/ Missing	State Total
Alabama	0	1	0	0	252
Alaska	0	0	0	1	14
Arizona	1	0	0	11	198
Arkansas	4	8	6	0	222
California	8	129	29	3	467
Colorado	0	3	0	3	147
Connecticut	2	3	0	1	63
Delaware	0	0	0	0	0
District of Columbia	0	0	0	0	3
Florida	0	1	0	4	588
Georgia	1	1	12	10	308
Hawaii	0	0	0	0	55
Idaho	0	0	0	0	54
Illinois	1	4	7	0	340
Indiana	0	0	17	0	208
Iowa	0	0	0	0	91
Kansas	2	0	0	0	98
Kentucky	1	2	7	0	143
Louisiana	0	0	0	3	70
Maine	1	3	0	0	46
Maryland	1	0	0	1	134
Massachusetts	2	4	0	0	252
Michigan	3	5	2	1	349
Minnesota	2	8	0	0	371
Mississippi	2	2	1	0	71
Missouri	1	2	10	2	231

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State	Died	Moved: Known to be Continuing	Dropped Out	Unknown/ Missing	State Total
Montana	0	0	0	0	49
Nebraska	0	1	0	3	102
Nevada	1	0	1	9	114
New Hampshire	0	1	0	0	75
New Jersey	0	1	0	3	234
New Mexico	0	0	0	0	121
New York	0	0	0	0	403
North Carolina	2	1	1	2	283
North Dakota	0	0	0	27	30
Ohio	4	2	2	0	414
Oklahoma	2	3	0	5	172
Oregon	0	0	2	0	89
Pacific Basin	1	0	0	0	50
Pennsylvania	3	6	4	8	565
Puerto Rico	1	1	0	0	33
Rhode Island	0	0	4	0	36
South Carolina	1	2	0	1	139
South Dakota	0	1	0	1	27
Tennessee	7	3	20	1	265
Texas	7	2	14	0	833
Utah	6	0	2	0	124
Vermont	0	0	0	1	22
Virgin Islands	0	0	0	0	23
Virginia	0	5	0	0	208
Washington	0	0	0	23	240
West Virginia	0	0	0	0	68
Wisconsin	0	1	5	7	135
Wyoming	0	0	0	0	40
National Total	67	206	146	131	9669

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