

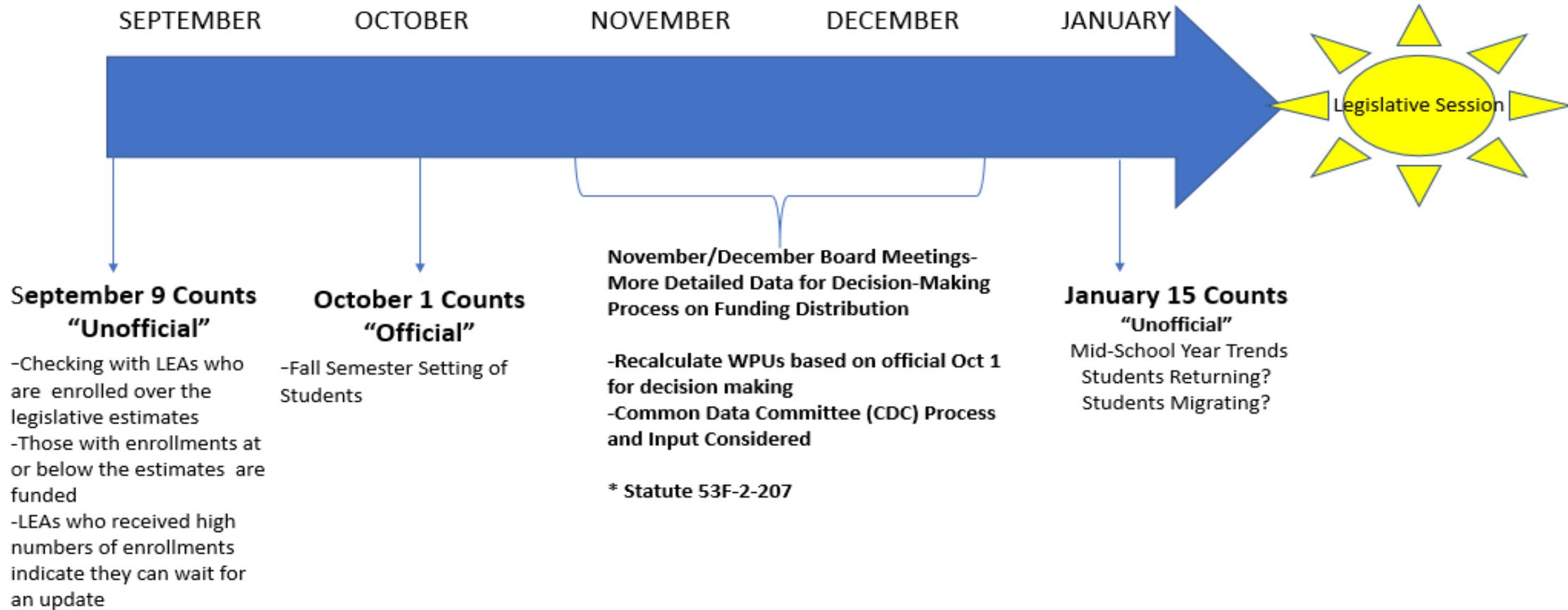
September 9

Enrollment Count Estimates

Utah Districts and Charter Schools
2020-2021 School Year



Timeline



Key Considerations

1. Determine where students came from into the online programs/enrollments (i.e. charter to charter online program, district to charter online program, or district to district online program)
2. Determine the gap between negative growth and projected growth
3. Determine the reasons for the reduction of growth (i.e. less moving into the state, more going into home school)
4. Monitor conditions related to the COVID-19 numbers surge



K-12 Student Count: Comparison of Sep 9th, 2020 with Sep 9th, 2019

	Sep 9th, 2020 K-12 Count	Sep 9th, 2019 K-12 Count	Sep 9th, 2019 to Sep 9th, 2020 K-12 Difference	Sep 9th, 2019 to Sep 9th, 2020 K-12 Percent Difference
Charter	78,978	77,290	1,688	2.2%
District	586,627	590,471	-3,844	-0.7%
USDB	185	179	6	3.4%
STATE	665,790	667,940	-2,150	-0.3%



Potential Reduction in K-12 Growth

(pending official Oct 1 counts)

	Sep 9th, 2020 K-12 Count	CDC Estimate of Oct 1st, 2020 K-12 Count	Sep 9th, 2020 Difference from CDC Estimate	Sep 9th, 2020 Percent Difference from CDC Estimate
Charter	78,978	79,632	-654	-0.8%
District	586,627	595,160	-8,533	-1.4%
STATE	665,790	674,792	-9,002	-1.3%

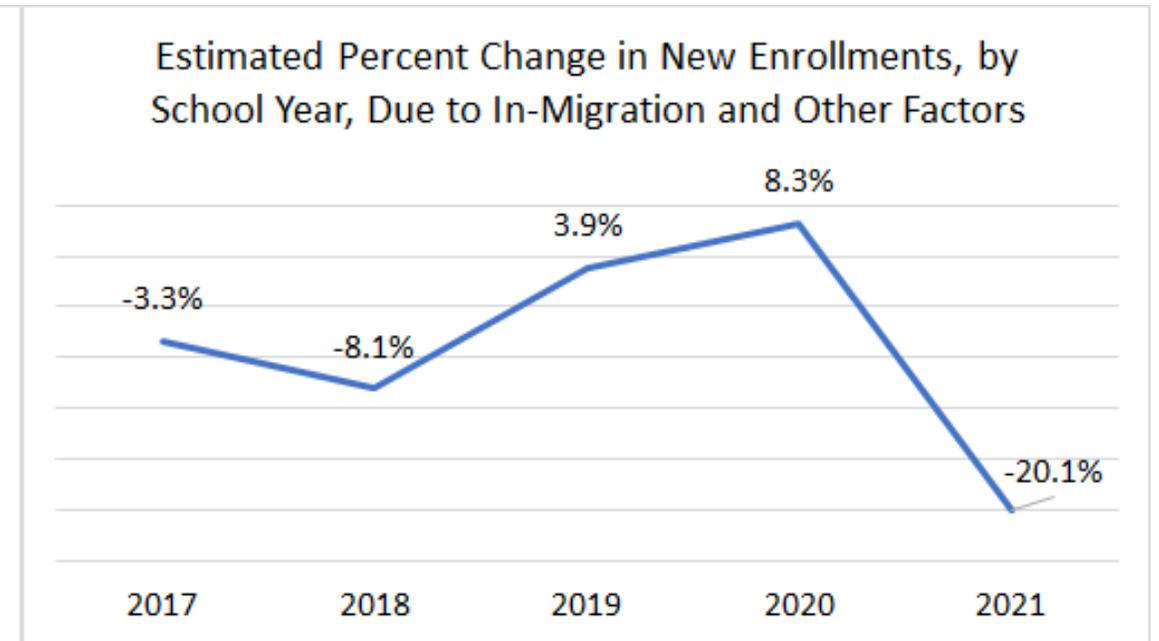
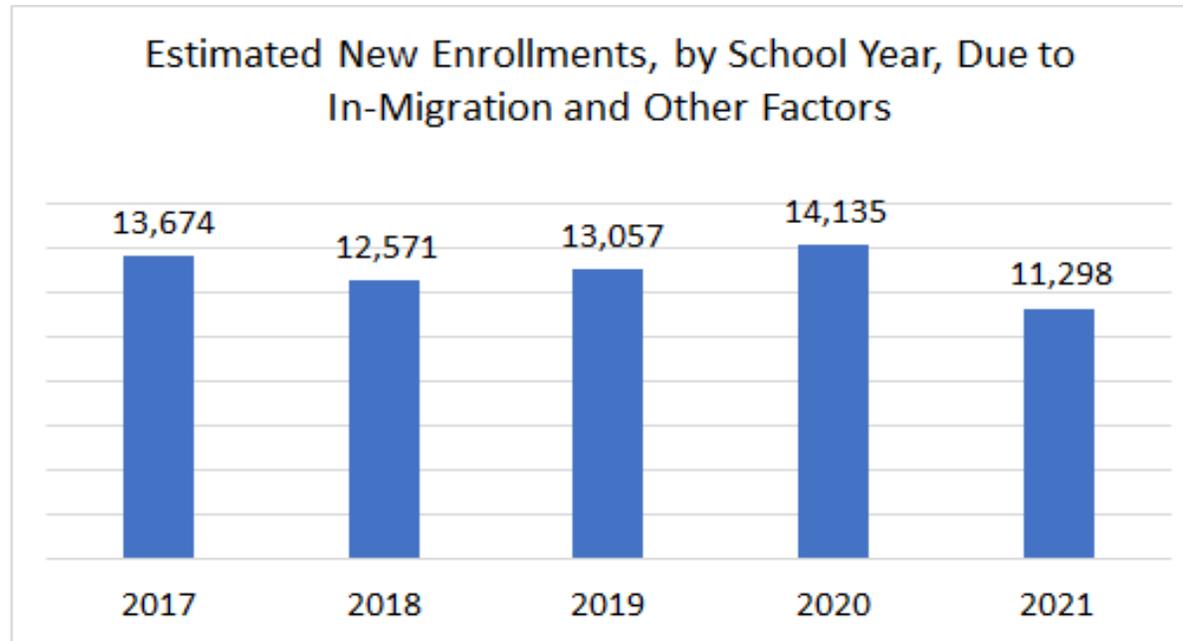


Enrollment Estimate Trends:

*Estimated New Enrollments Due to Migration and Other Factors**

There was a notable decrease in new enrollments (2,837) in SY 2021 compared to recent years.

This equates to a single year decrease of 20% in new enrollment.



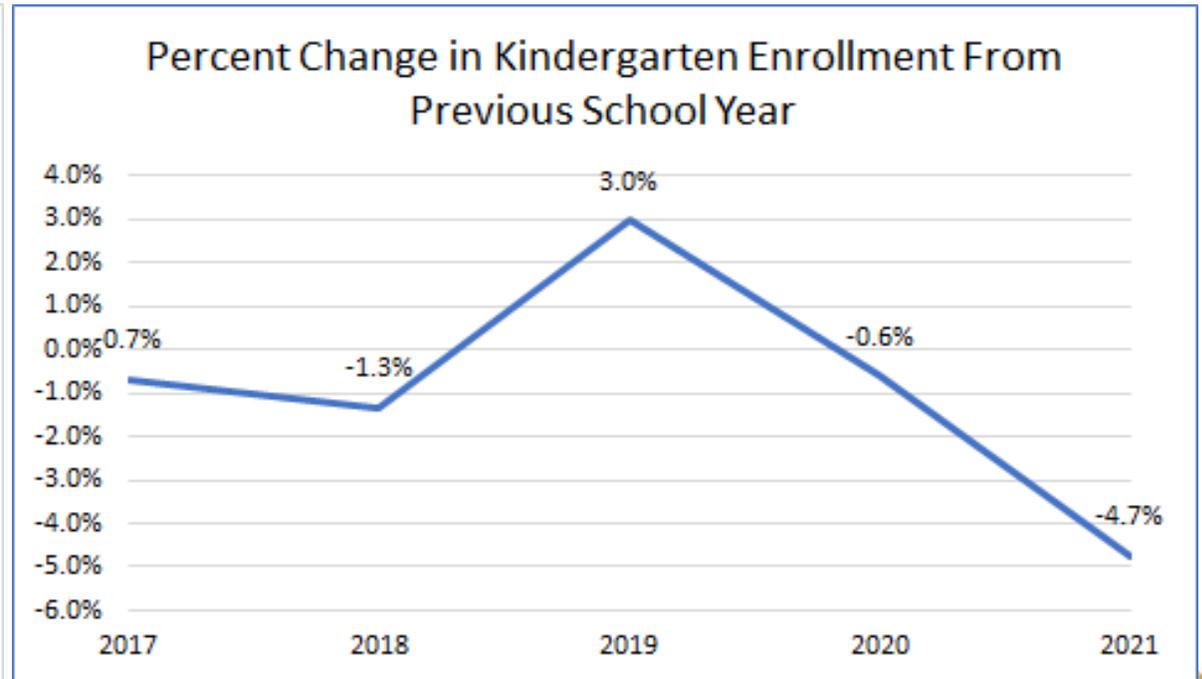
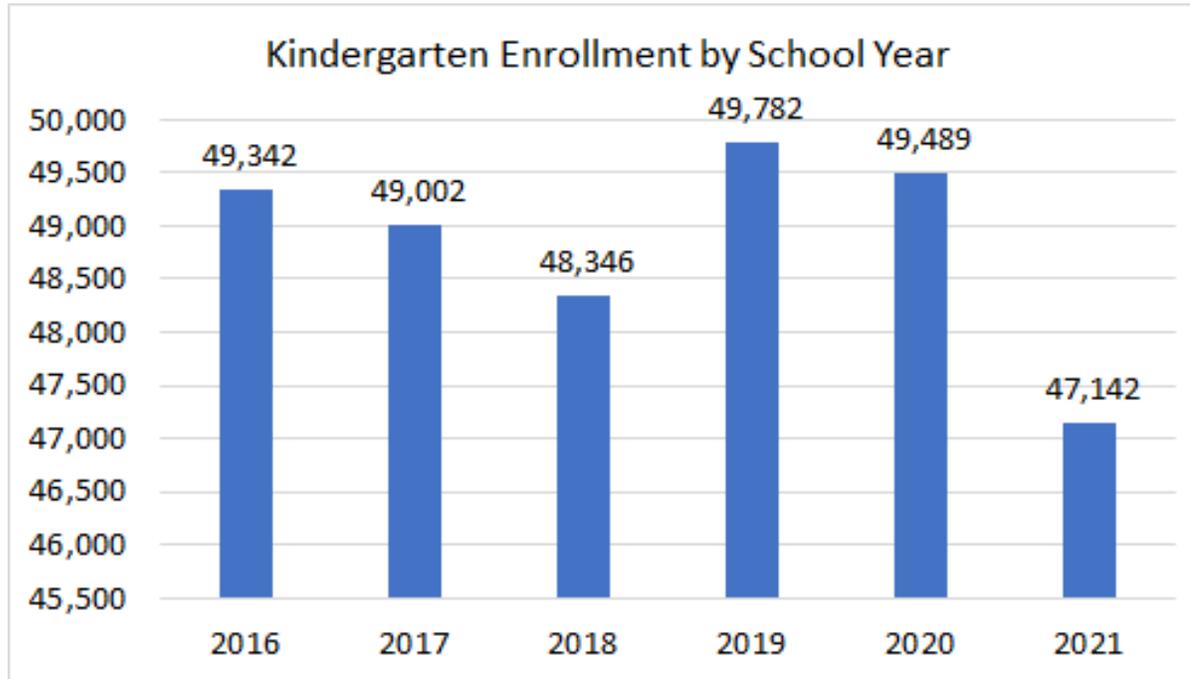
*Counts are of students whose first enrollment in a Utah public school was in first grade or higher. Additionally, counts only include students who first enrolled by Sep 9 of the school year (for more fair comparison with SY 2021, which is currently limited to a poll of enrollment on Sep 9). The reason they did not start in Pre-K or Kindergarten could be that they were previously living out of state or country or may have been homeschooled or attended a private school.



Enrollment Estimate Trends: Kindergarten Enrollment*

There was a notable decrease in Kindergarten enrollment (2,347) from SY 2020 to SY 2021. The next largest decrease was from SY 2017 to SY 2018 (686).

Kindergarten enrollment has not had consistent growth in recent years, though the decrease from SY 2020 to SY 2021 (4.7%) was much bigger than any previous decreases.

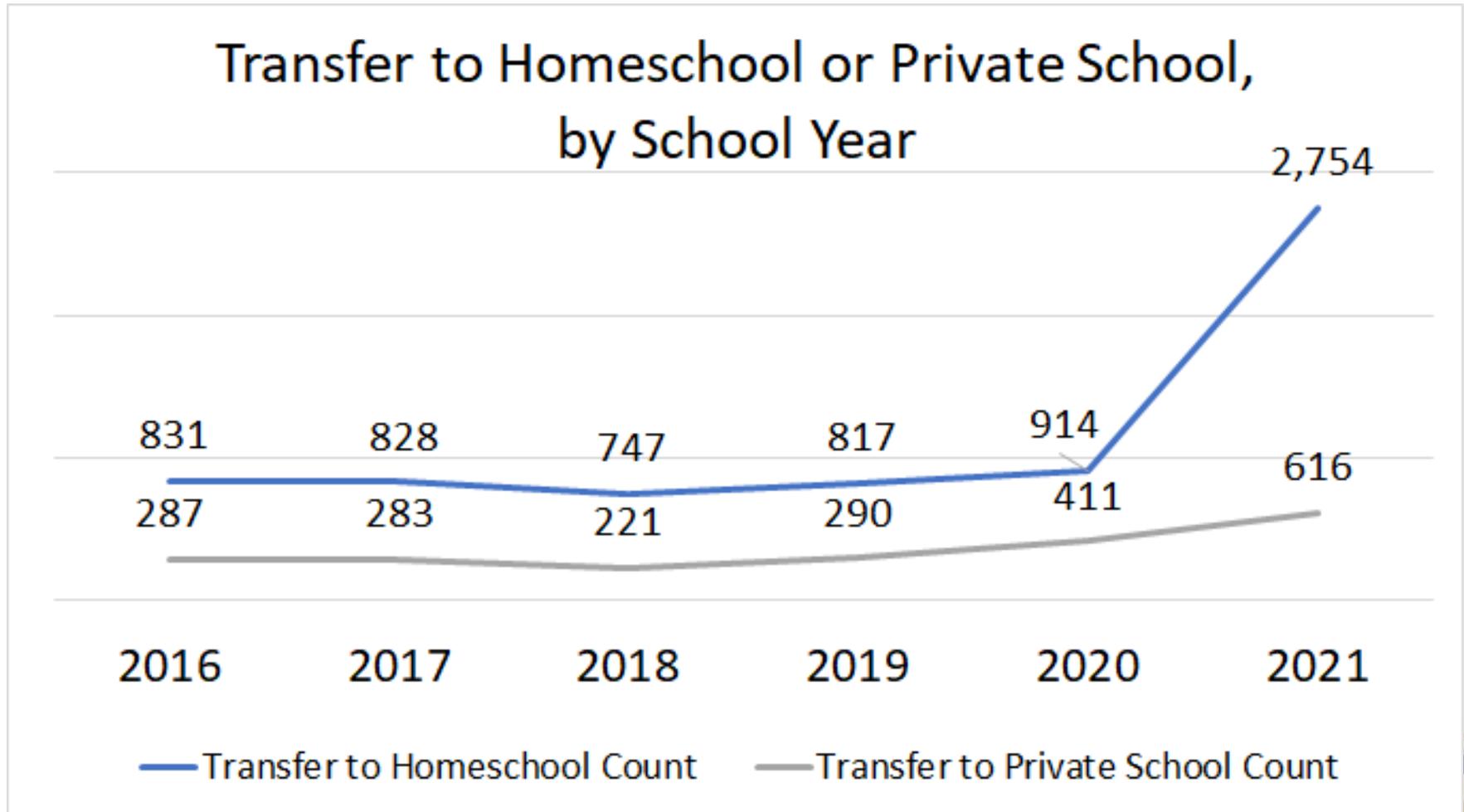


*from each year's October data submission

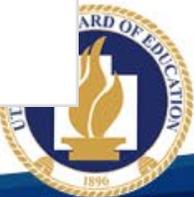


Enrollment Estimate Trends: Homeschool and Private School*

Students who were expected to return but chose to homeschool or transfer to private school



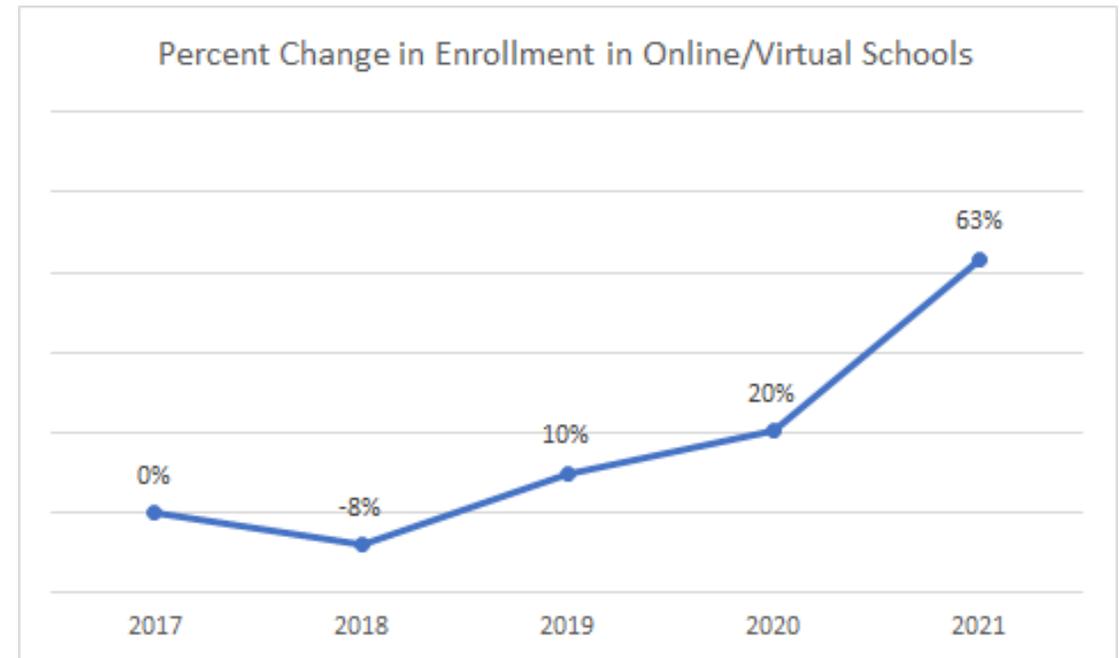
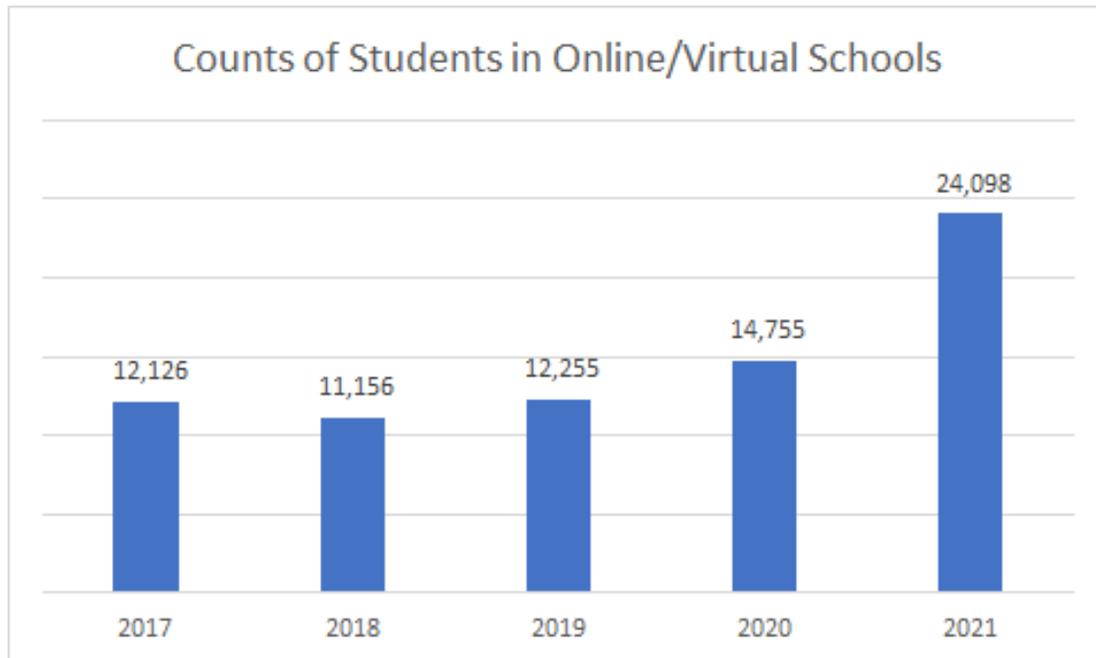
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Enrollment Estimate Trends: Online and Virtual School*

There was a notable increase in students enrolled in Online or Virtual Schools (9,343) in SY 2021.

This equates to a single year increase of 63% in Online or Virtual school enrollment.



Statute

Effective 5/14/2019

53F-2-207. Loss in student enrollment -- Board action.

To avoid penalizing a school district financially for an excessive loss in student enrollment due to factors beyond its control, the state board may allow a percentage increase in units otherwise allowable during any year when a school district's average daily membership drops more than 4% below the average for the highest two of the preceding three years in the school district.

Amended by Chapter 186, 2019 General Session



Questions for October 1 Board Meeting

Timeline

