

Dropout Rate

	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Number of Dropouts	1,091	1,122	1,196	267	572	563	466	435	407	397
Percent of Dropouts	3.25%	3.29%	3.45%	0.76%	1.61%	1.56%	1.29%	1.22%	1.16%	1.15%
State Dropout Rate	3.18%	2.52%	2.46%	2.02%	2.17%	2.05%	1.86%	1.89%	1.87%	1.89%

Sources: Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) Data and Reports available at <http://www.pen.k12.va.us/VDOE/Publications> (1997-98 through 2005-06) and the 2007-08 Final Report of Dropouts for Virginia Beach from the VDOE Educational Information Management

Note: Prior to the 2000-01 school year, the dropout rate was calculated by dividing the total number of dropouts (grades 7-12) by the end-of-year membership in grades 7-12 plus the number of dropouts. Beginning in 2000-01, the dropout rate was calculated by dividing the total number of dropouts by the fall membership in grades 7-12.

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