



New England School Development Council

**Washington Central USD
Montpelier, VT**

School Year 2025-26 Enrollment Projection Report

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Enrollment projections are more reliable in Years #1-3 in the future. Projections four to ten years out may serve as a guide to future enrollments and are useful for planning purposes. For more information, please refer to the Projection Methodology and Reliability section of this document.

The NESDEC enrollment projection fell within 26 students of the K-12 total, 1,220 students projected vs. 1,246 enrolled. Note: Ungraded students are not included in K-12 total.

Over the next three years, District Grades K-6 enrollments are projected to decrease by 42 students, and District Grades 7-12 enrollments are projected to decrease by 68 students, as students move through the grades.



Historical Enrollment

School District:

Washington Central UUSD, VT - consol

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Historical Enrollment By Grade																			
Birth Year	Births*	School Year	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	UNGR	K-12	PK-12
2010	92	2015-16	97	104	82	107	99	96	105	105	124	112	125	141	136	126	0	1462	1559
2011	78	2016-17	108	88	109	90	110	105	96	111	115	123	129	125	139	115	0	1455	1563
2012	71	2017-18	139	87	89	103	92	113	106	99	107	117	141	127	124	120	0	1425	1564
2013	64	2018-19	146	76	89	98	101	99	115	109	110	107	148	130	128	103	0	1413	1559
2014	70	2019-20	165	82	74	91	98	107	101	115	113	115	120	143	124	116	0	1399	1564
2015	68	2020-21	128	73	76	75	89	94	107	98	124	116	123	114	140	112	0	1341	1469
2016	73	2021-22	95	90	84	82	79	88	103	117	106	129	131	123	124	110	0	1366	1461
2017	65	2022-23	91	69	90	83	83	77	87	100	121	108	143	121	111	111	0	1304	1395
2018	68	2023-24	75	83	66	91	82	83	79	92	110	121	110	144	121	109	0	1291	1366
2019	66	2024-25	112	66	86	67	92	85	82	82	92	108	133	106	139	115	<10 **	1255	1367
2020	62	2025-26	103	82	63	90	71	100	86	83	85	95	121	129	107	134	<10 **	1253	1356

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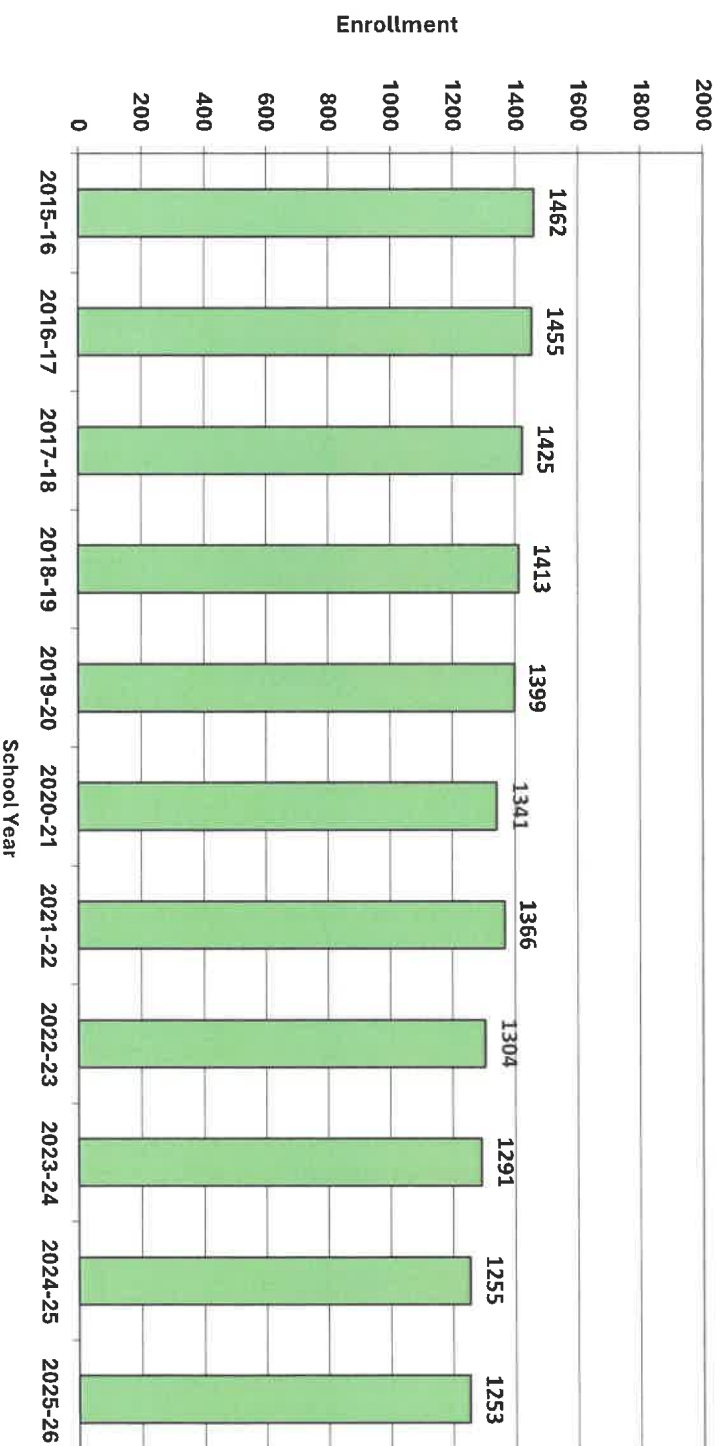
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Historical Enrollment in Grade Combinations										
School Year	PK-6	K-6	K-3	4-6	6-8	K-8	PK-8	7-8	7-12	9-12
2015-16	795	698	392	306	341	934	1031	236	764	528
2016-17	817	709	397	312	349	947	1055	238	746	508
2017-18	828	689	371	318	323	913	1052	224	736	512
2018-19	833	687	364	323	326	904	1050	217	726	509
2019-20	833	668	345	323	343	866	1061	228	731	503
2020-21	740	612	313	299	338	852	980	240	729	489
2021-22	738	643	335	308	352	878	973	235	723	488
2022-23	680	589	325	264	329	818	909	229	715	486
2023-24	651	576	322	254	323	807	882	231	715	484
2024-25	672	560	311	249	282	760	872	200	693	493
2025-26	678	575	306	269	263	755	858	180	671	491

Historical Percentage Changes			
School Year	K-12	Dif.	%
2015-16	1462	-7	-0.5%
2016-17	1455	-30	-2.1%
2017-18	1425	-12	-0.8%
2018-19	1413	-14	-1.0%
2019-20	1399	-58	-4.1%
2020-21	1341	25	1.9%
2021-22	1366	-62	-4.5%
2022-23	1304	-13	-1.0%
2023-24	1291	-36	-2.8%
2024-25	1255	-2	-0.2%
2025-26	1253	-209	-14.3%

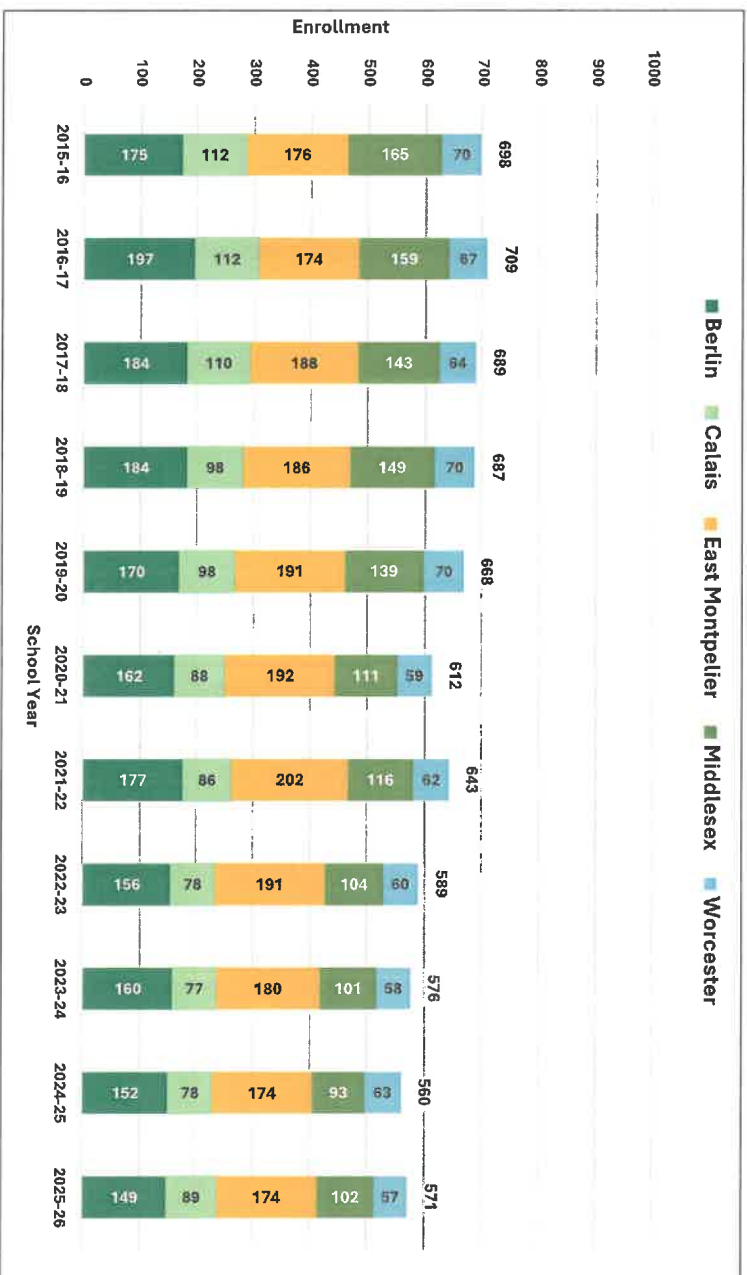


Grades K-12 Historical Enrollment





Grades K-6 Historical Enrollment by Town

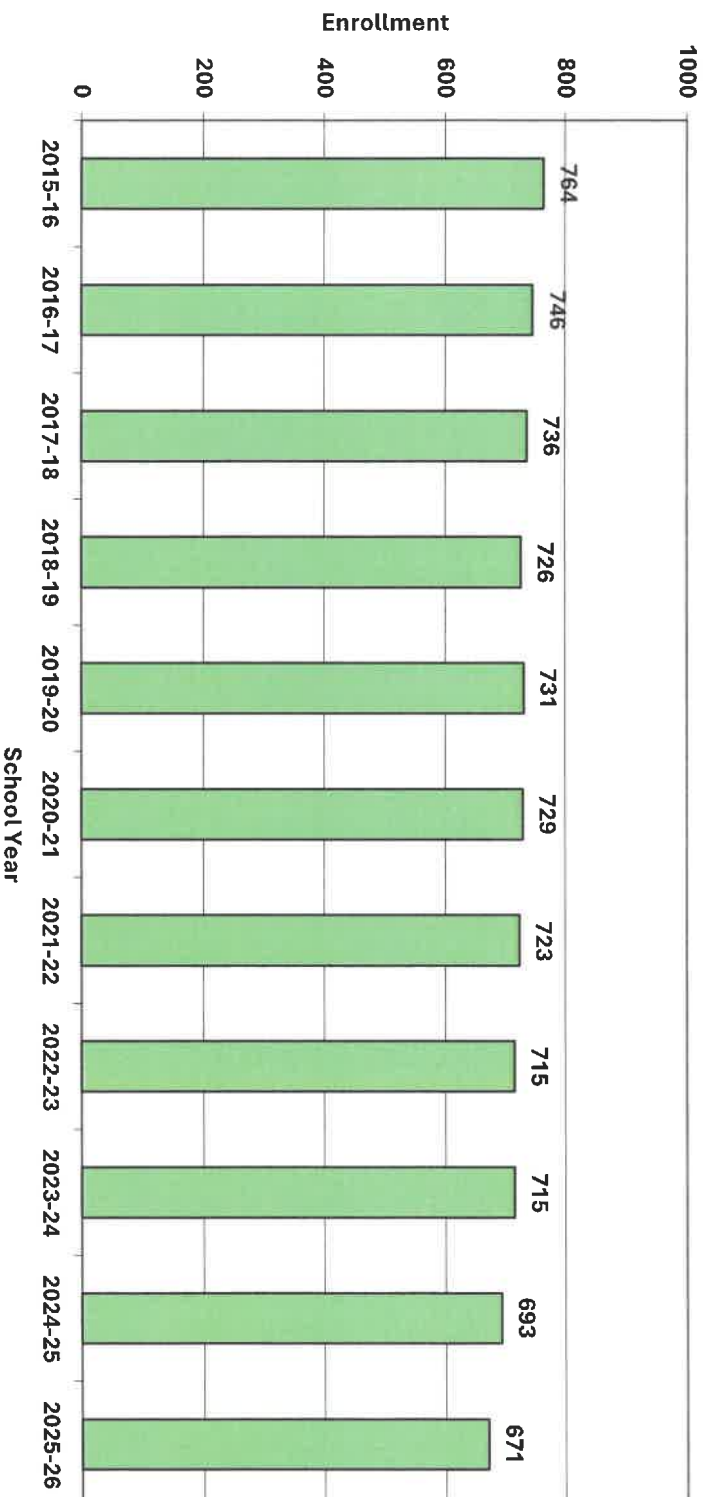


Town	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Berlin	25%	28%	27%	27%	25%	26%	28%	26%	28%	27%	26%
Calais	16%	16%	16%	14%	15%	14%	13%	13%	13%	14%	16%
East Montpelier	25%	25%	27%	27%	29%	31%	31%	32%	31%	31%	30%
Middlesex	24%	22%	21%	22%	21%	18%	18%	18%	18%	17%	18%
Worcester	10%	9%	9%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	11%	10%

* percentages rounded



Grades 7-12 Historical Enrollment





Projected Enrollment

School District:

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Enrollment Projections By Grade*																			
Birth Year	Births*	School Year	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	UNGR	K-12	PK-12
2020	62	2025-26	103	82	63	90	71	100	86	83	85	95	121	129	107	134	<10**	1253	1356
2021	56	2026-27	103	66	84	64	92	75	101	89	87	86	103	119	128	103	<10**	1204	1307
2022	58	2027-28	103	66	86	85	85	95	76	103	93	88	93	101	118	124	<10**	1180	1283
2023	62	2028-29	103	72	87	87	88	66	96	77	108	94	96	91	100	114	<10**	1143	1246
2024	61	2029-30	103	70	72	67	69	91	68	98	81	109	102	94	90	97	<10**	1115	1218
2025	60	2030-31	108	70	70	73	68	71	91	71	102	82	118	100	93	87	<10**	1103	1211
2026	59	2031-32	108	69	71	71	75	69	72	93	74	103	89	116	99	90	<10**	1098	1206
2027	60	2032-33	108	69	69	72	73	78	69	75	97	75	112	87	115	96	<10**	1094	1202
2028	60	2033-34	109	70	69	70	74	75	78	70	78	98	81	110	86	111	<10**	1077	1186
2029	60	2034-35	113	68	71	70	72	77	76	80	73	79	106	79	109	83	<10**	1050	1163
2030	60	2035-36	113	69	68	72	72	74	78	78	84	74	86	104	78	105	<10**	1049	1162

Note: Ungraded students (UNGR) often are high school students whose anticipated years of graduation are unknown, or students with special needs - UNGR not included in Grade Combinations for 7-12, 9-12, etc.

*Birth data provided by Public Health Vital Records Departments in each state. Based on an estimate of births Based on children already born Based on students already enrolled

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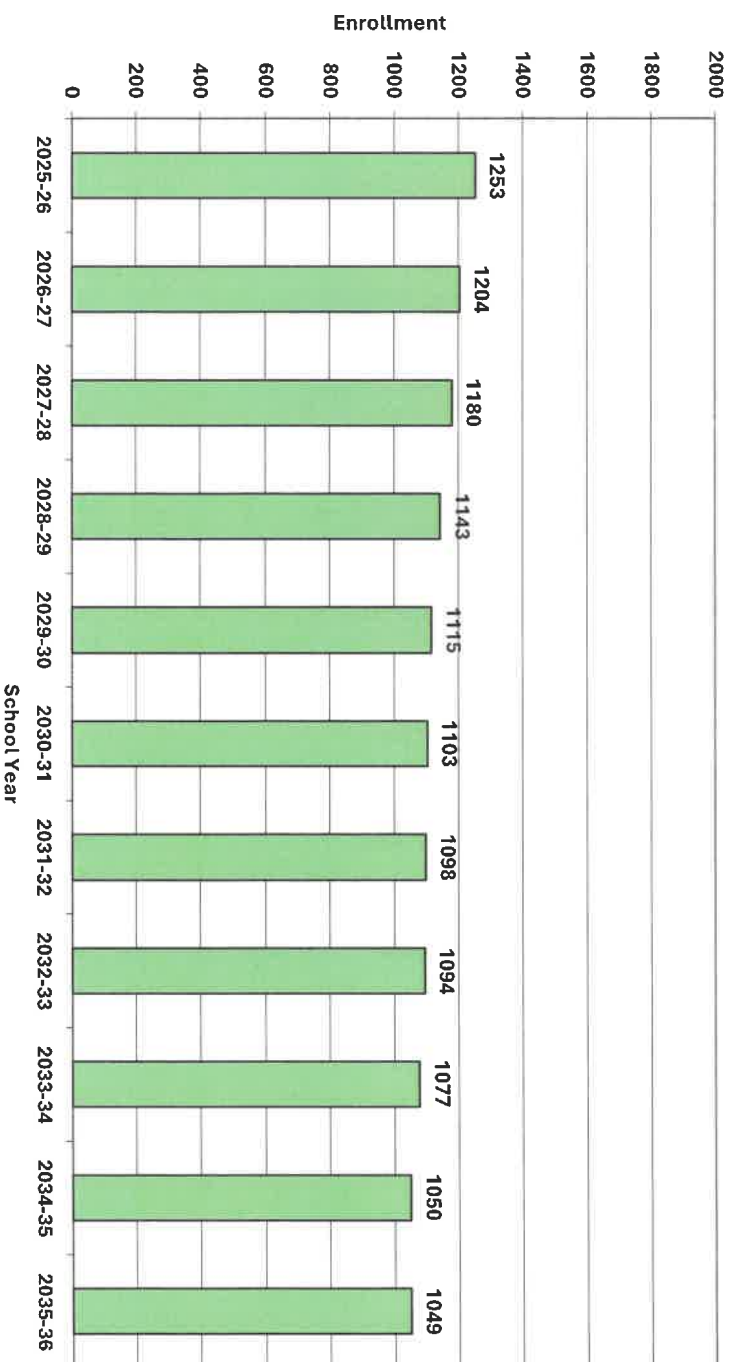
Projected Enrollment in Grade Combinations*										
School Year	PK-6	K-6	K-3	4-6	6-8	K-8	PK-8	7-8	7-12	9-12
2025-26	678	575	306	269	263	755	858	180	671	491
2026-27	674	571	306	265	262	744	847	173	626	453
2027-28	659	556	282	274	284	737	840	181	617	436
2028-29	636	533	294	239	279	735	838	202	603	401
2029-30	638	535	278	257	288	725	828	190	573	383
2030-31	622	514	281	233	255	698	806	184	582	398
2031-32	628	520	286	234	270	697	805	177	571	394
2032-33	613	505	283	222	247	677	785	172	582	410
2033-34	615	506	283	223	246	682	791	176	564	388
2034-35	627	514	281	233	232	666	779	152	529	377
2035-36	624	511	281	230	236	669	782	158	531	373

Projected Percentage Changes			
School Year	K-12	Diff.	%
2025-26	1253		
2026-27	1204	-49	-3.9%
2027-28	1180	-24	-2.0%
2028-29	1143	-37	-3.1%
2029-30	1115	-28	-2.4%
2030-31	1103	-12	-1.1%
2031-32	1098	-5	-0.5%
2032-33	1094	-4	-0.4%
2033-34	1077	-17	-1.6%
2034-35	1050	-27	-2.5%
2035-36	1049	-1	-0.1%
Change		-204	-16.3%

*Projections should be updated annually to reflect changes in in/out-migration of families, births, and similar factors.



Grades K-12 Projected Enrollment





Grades K-6 Projected Enrollment by Town

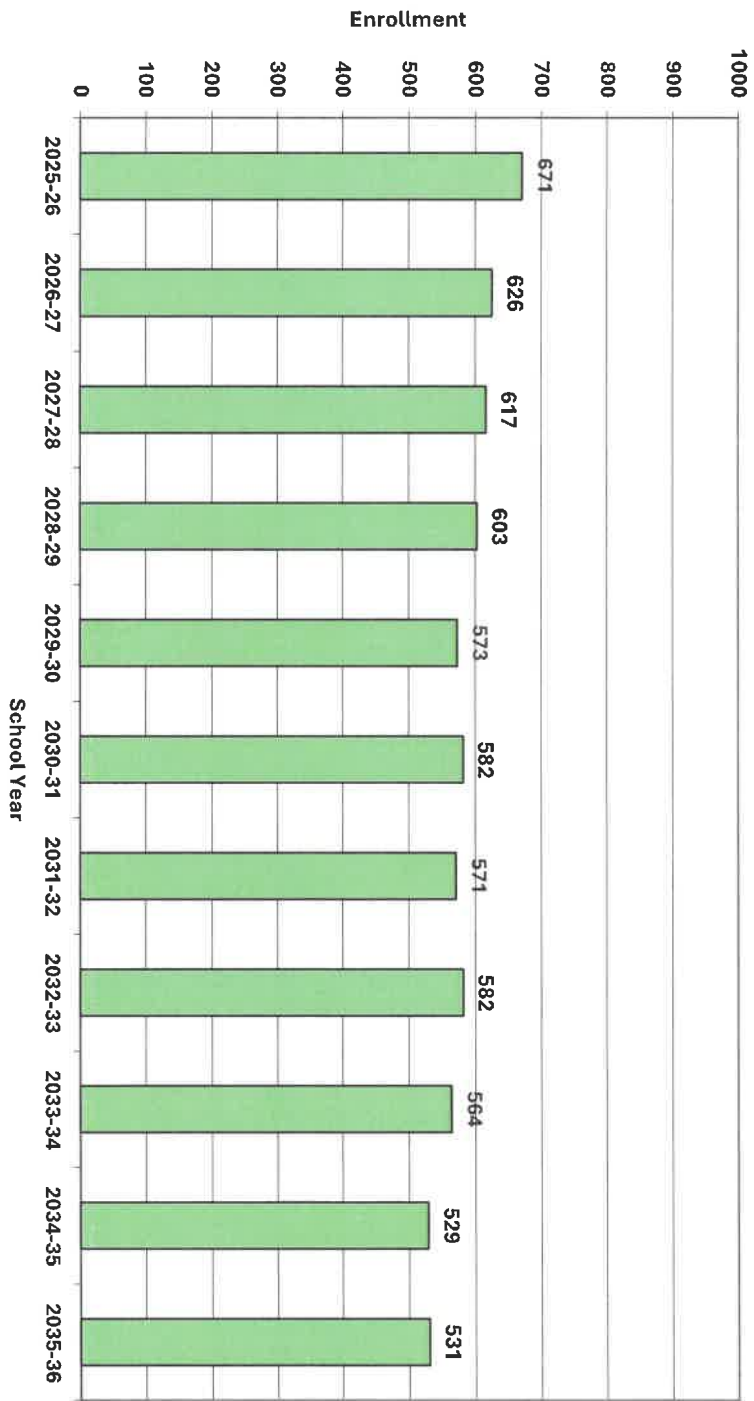


Town	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	2031-32	2032-33	2033-34	2034-35	2035-36
Berlin	26%	28%	29%	29%	31%	32%	32%	33%	32%	31%	32%
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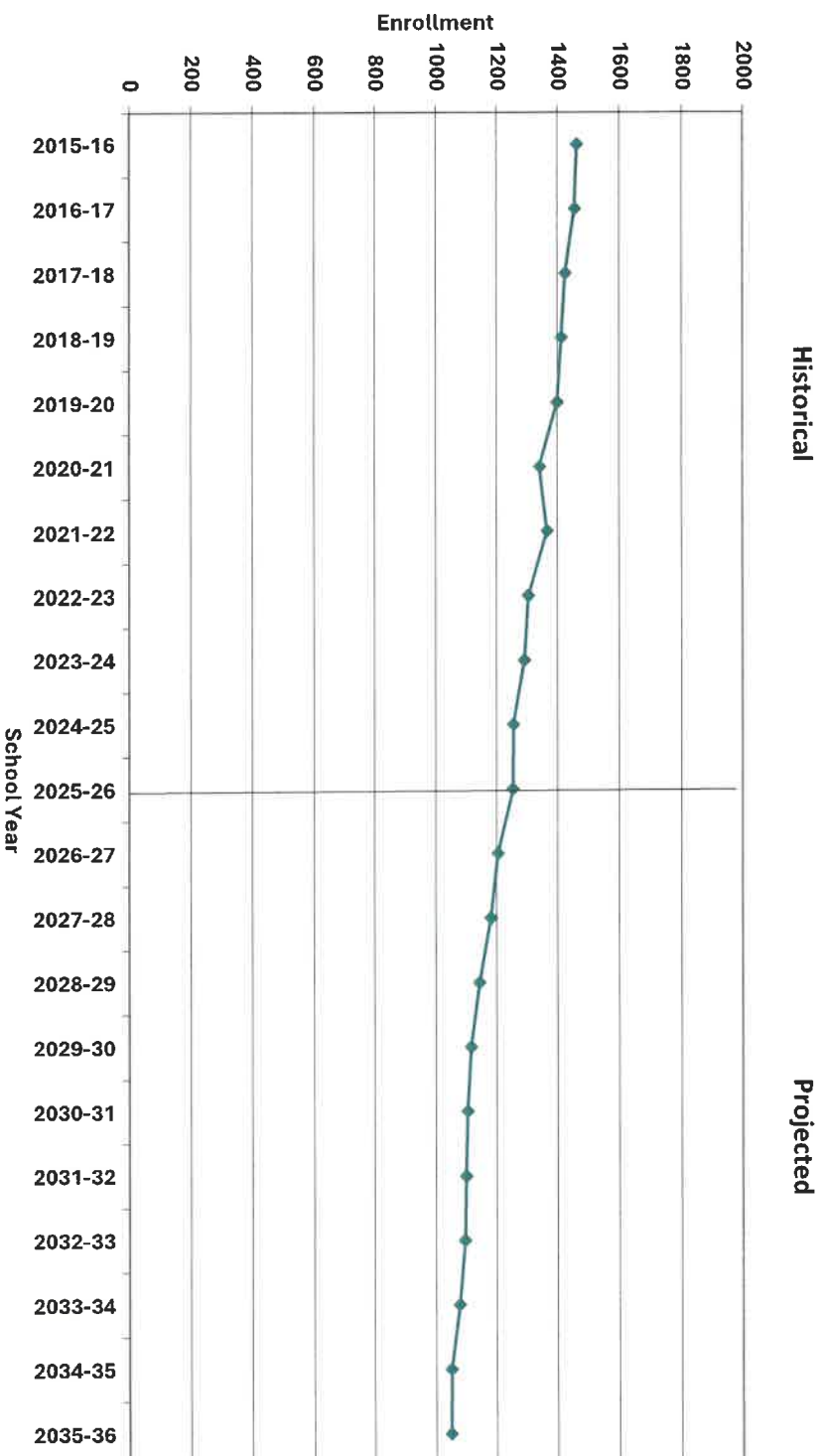


Grades 7-12 Projected Enrollment



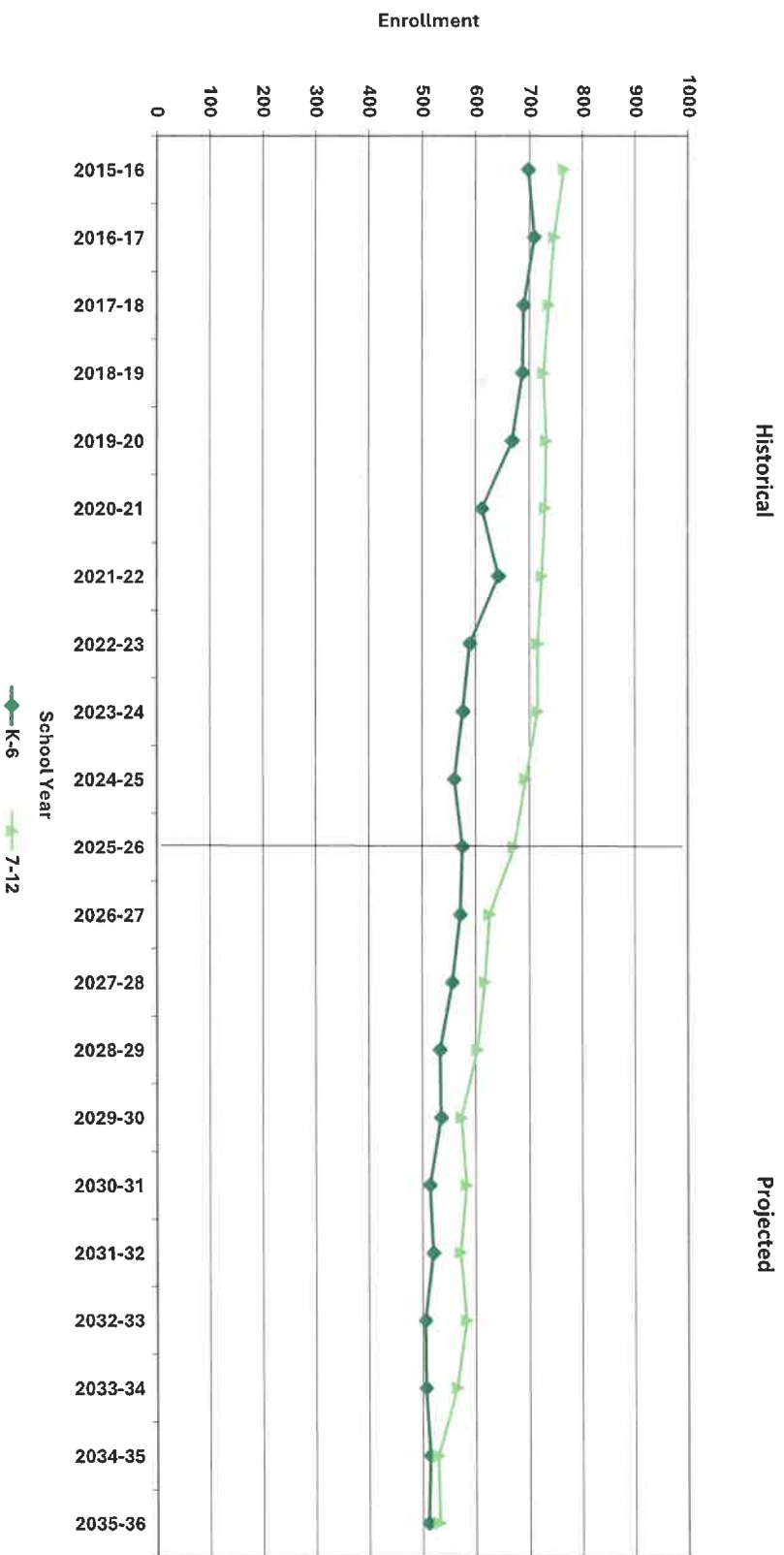


Grades K-12 Historical & Projected Enrollment



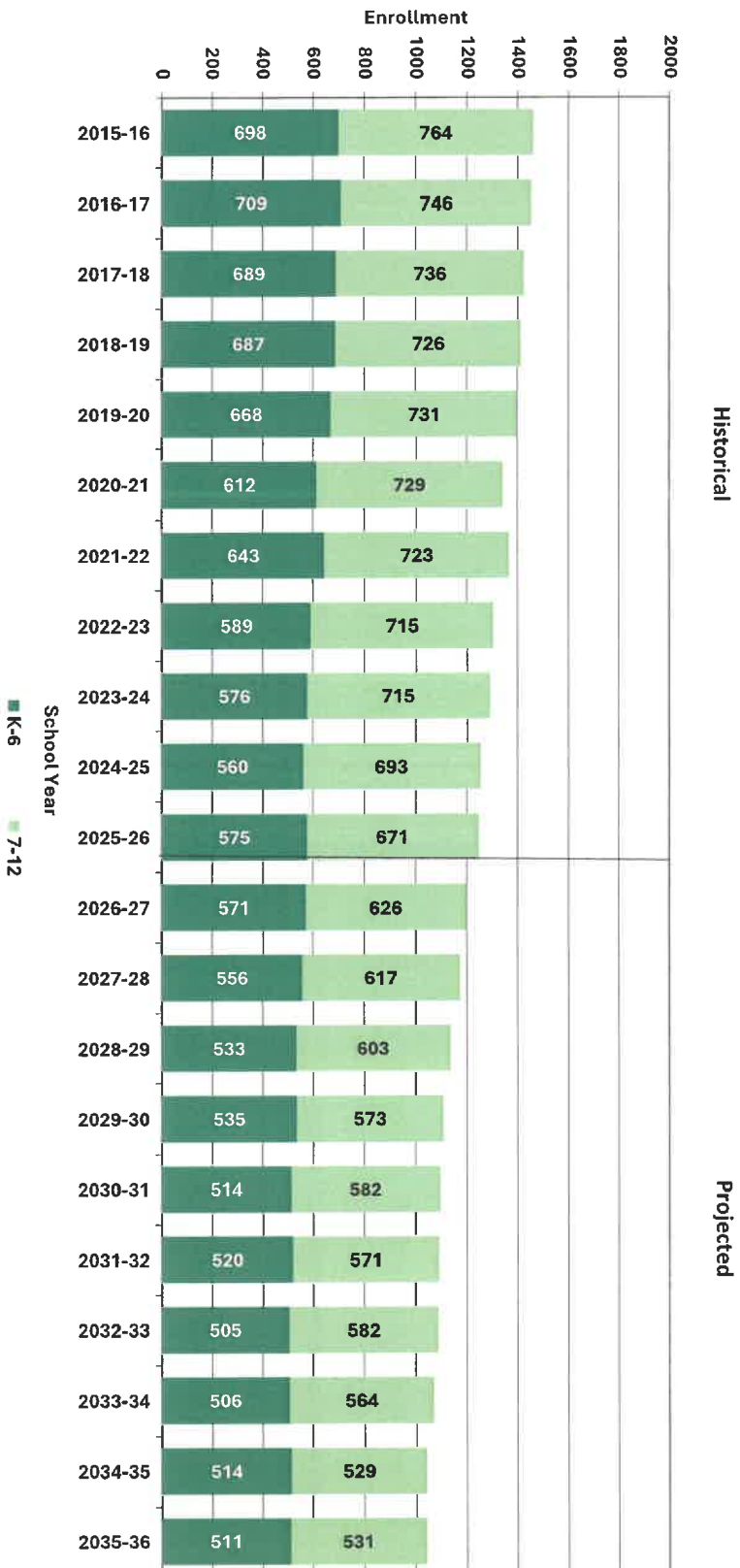


Historical & Projected Enrollment in Grade Combinations



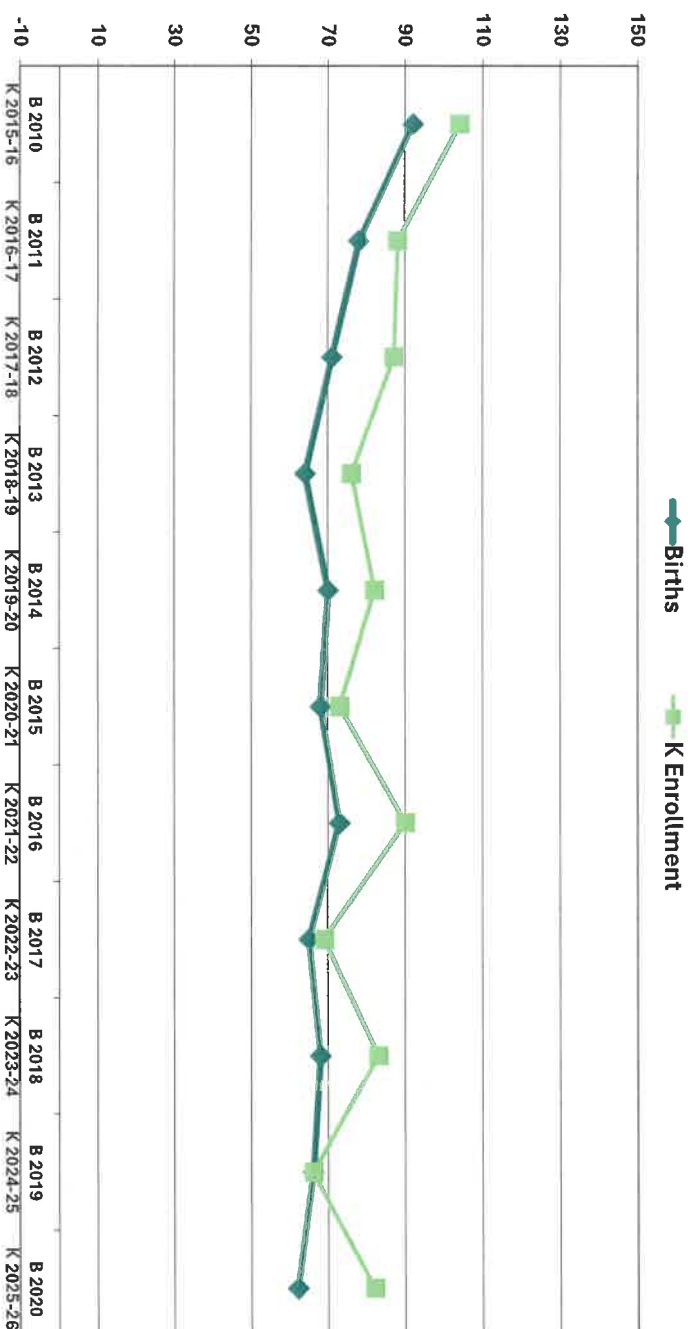


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Birth to Kindergarten Relationship



Birth Year/ School Year

	B 2010 K 2015-16	B 2011 K 2016-17	B 2012 K 2017-18	B 2013 K 2018-19	B 2014 K 2019-20	B 2015 K 2020-21	B 2016 K 2021-22	B 2017 K 2022-23	B 2018 K 2023-24	B 2019 K 2024-25	B 2020 K 2025-26
Births	92	78	71	64	70	68	73	65	68	66	62
Kindergarten	104	88	87	76	82	73	90	69	83	66	82



Additional Information

School Year	9-12 CTE	7-12 Non-Public	7-12 Choice-In	7-12 Choice-Out	7-12 Out District SPED	7-12 Homeschool
2021-22	51	n/a	78	0	10	15
2022-23	47	n/a	78	32	< 10 **	< 10 **
2023-24	43	n/a	69	39	11	< 10 **
2024-25	65	n/a	58	38	< 10 **	< 10 **
2025-26	74	n/a	43	n/a	n/a	n/a

* Data provided by District.

"n/a" signifies that information was not provided by District.

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New England's PK-12 Enrollments Trends

State	Fall 2013 PK - 12	Fall 2019 PK - 12	Fall 2022 PK - 12	Fall 2023 PK - 12	% Change 2013 - 23	% Change 2019-23	% Change 2022-23
USA	50,044,522	50,796,445	49,618,464	49,516,361	-1.1%	-2.5%	-0.2%
CT	546,200	523,690	513,513	512,652	-6.1%	-2.1%	-0.2%
ME	183,995	180,291	173,853	172,545	-6.2%	-4.3%	-0.8%
MA	955,739	959,394	923,349	914,958	-4.3%	-4.6%	-0.9%
NH	186,310	177,351	168,909	166,594	-10.6%	-6.1%	-1.4%
RI	142,008	143,557	137,449	136,154	-4.1%	-5.2%	-0.9%
VT	88,690	86,759	83,654	82,455	-7.0%	-5.0%	-1.4%

Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Enrollment in public elementary and secondary schools, by region, state, and jurisdiction: Selected years, fall 1990 through fall 2023, Table 203.20, Report Generated Oct. 2024, NESDEC 5.28.25

Although most New England Districts are seeing a decline in the number of births, NESDEC's experience indicates that the impact on enrollment varies from District to District. Almost half of New England Districts have been growing in PK-12 enrollment, and a similar number are declining (often in rural areas), with the other Districts remaining stable.



Projection Methodology and Reliability

PROJECTION METHODOLOGY

Cohort component (survival) technique is a frequently used method of preparing enrollment projections. NESDEC uses this method, but modifies it in order to move away from projections that are wholly computer- or formula-driven. Such modification permits the incorporation of important, current district-specific demographic information into the generation of enrollment projections (such as in/out-migration of students, resident births, etc.). Percentages are calculated from the historical enrollment data to determine a reliable percentage of increase or decrease in enrollment between any two grades. For example, if 100 students enrolled in Grade 1 in 2024-25 increased to 104 students in Grade 2 in 2025-26, the percentage of survival would be 104%, or a ratio of 1.04. Ratios are calculated between each pair of grades or years in school over several recent years.

After study and analysis of the historical ratios, and based upon a reasonable set of assumptions regarding births, migration rates, retention rates, etc., ratios most indicative of future growth patterns are determined for each pair of grades. The ratios thus selected are applied to the present enrollment statistics to project into future years. The ratios are the key factors in the reliability of the projections, assuming validity of the data at the starting point.

RELIABILITY OF ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS

Projections can serve as useful guides to school administrators for educational planning. Enrollment projections are more reliable in Years #1-3 in the future and less reliable in the “out-years.” Projections four to ten years out may serve as a guide to future enrollments and are useful for planning purposes, but they should be viewed as subject to change given the likelihood of potential shifts in underlying assumptions/trends, such as student migration, births as they relate to kindergarten enrollment, and other factors.

Projections that are based upon **the children who already are in the district** (the current K-12 population only) will be the most reliable. The second level of reliability will be for those children **born into the community but not yet old enough to be in school**. The least reliable category is the group for which an estimate must be made **to predict the number of births**, thereby adding additional uncertainty. See these three multi-colored groupings on the “Projected Enrollment” tab.

Annual updates allow for early identification of recent changes in historical trends. When the actual enrollment in a grade is significantly different (higher or lower) from the projected number, it is important (yet difficult) to determine whether this is a one-year aberration or whether a new trend may have begun. **In light of this possibility, NESDEC urges all school districts to have updated enrollment projections developed by NESDEC each October.** This service is available at no cost to affiliated school districts.



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The NESDEC enrollment projection fell within 8 students of the K-12 total, 302 students projected vs. 310 enrolled. Note: Ungraded students are not included in K-12 total.

Births increased by 1 from a previous 10-year average of 19 births per year to a projected average of 20 births per year. In most districts, Grades 1-8 are very stable in enrollments. However, there have been increases in 4 of the 8 most recent years, leading to a net increase averaging 2 students per year.

Over the next three years, Grades K-6 enrollments are projected to increase by 4 students, and Grades 7-12 enrollments are projected to decrease by 11 students, as students move through the grades.

Note: Lower grade level enrollments are less statistically reliable due to the small grade level cohort size.



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2012	16	2017-18	33	21	25	26	26	29	33	24	25	26	31	33	24	38	0	361	394
2013	18	2018-19	33	13	26	27	25	30	32	31	26	25	26	25	30	23	0	339	372
2014	26	2019-20	37	26	13	23	24	25	29	30	29	27	25	24	25	22	0	322	359
2015	14	2020-21	32	22	26	13	24	26	24	27	36	28	26	23	23	28	0	326	358
2016	23	2021-22	23	30	21	28	12	25	31	30	27	34	28	23	23	20	0	332	355
2017	12	2022-23	26	16	28	20	29	12	24	27	31	28	31	26	19	19	0	310	336
2018	17	2023-24	20	26	15	30	20	27	13	29	28	31	26	28	26	15	0	314	334
2019	26	2024-25	30	21	26	14	29	20	27	15	29	26	33	24	26	24	<10**	315	345
2020	16	2025-26	35	22	21	26	13	27	20	20	24	28	26	33	23	27	<10**	311	346

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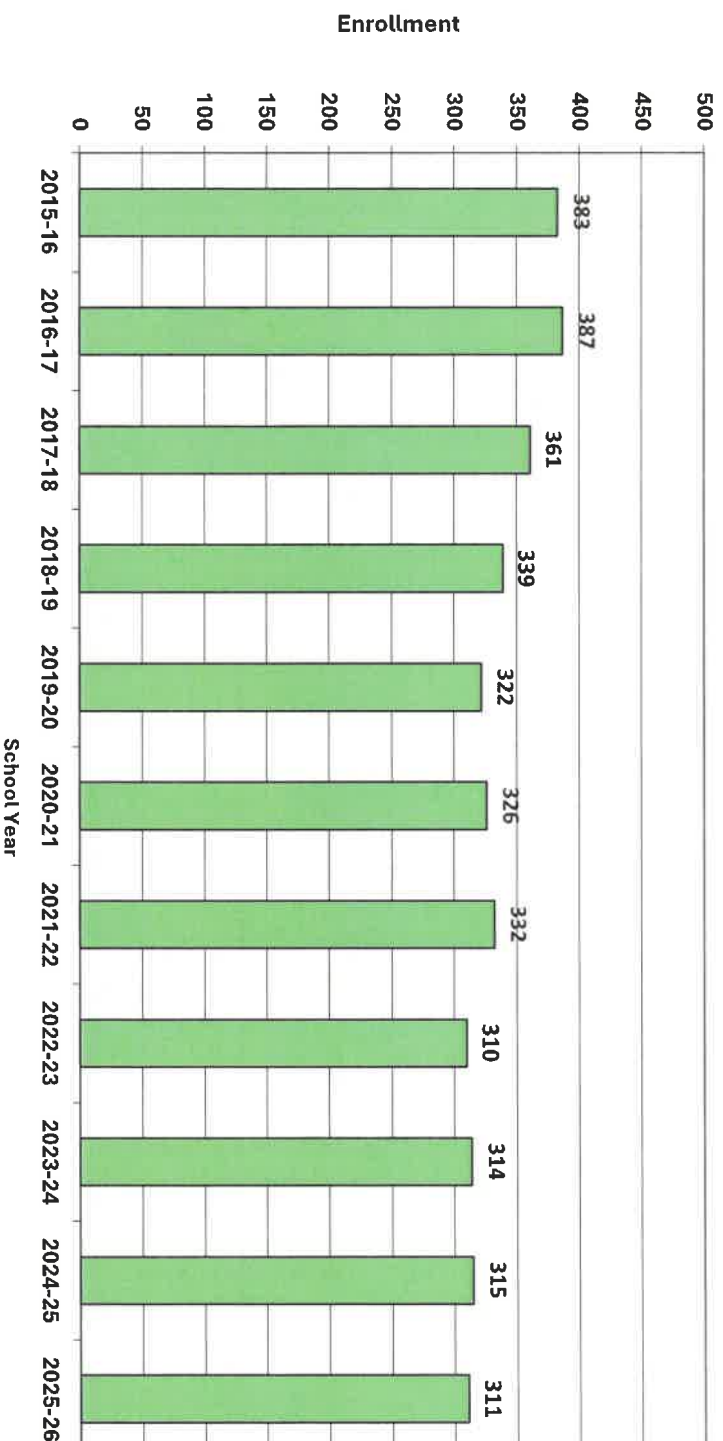
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2015-16	198	175	110	65	81	237	260	62	208	146
2016-17	220	197	112	85	80	250	273	53	190	137
2017-18	217	184	98	86	75	235	268	51	177	126
2018-19	217	184	91	93	82	235	268	51	155	104
2019-20	207	170	86	84	86	226	263	56	152	96
2020-21	194	162	85	77	91	226	258	64	164	100
2021-22	200	177	91	86	91	238	261	61	155	94
2022-23	182	156	93	63	86	215	241	59	154	95
2023-24	180	160	91	69	88	219	239	59	154	95
2024-25	182	152	90	62	70	207	237	55	162	107
2025-26	184	149	82	67	72	201	236	52	161	109

Historical Percentage Changes			
School Year	K-12	Diff.	%
2015-16	383		
2016-17	387	4	1.0%
2017-18	361	-26	-6.7%
2018-19	339	-22	-6.1%
2019-20	322	-17	-5.0%
2020-21	326	4	1.2%
2021-22	332	6	1.8%
2022-23	310	-22	-6.6%
2023-24	314	4	1.3%
2024-25	315	1	0.3%
2025-26	311	-4	-1.3%
Change	-72	-18.8%	



Grades K-12 Historical Enrollment





Projected Enrollment

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Enrollment Projections By Grade*																			
Birth Year	Births*	School Year	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	UNGR	K-12	PK-12
2020	16	2025-26	35	22	21	26	13	27	20	20	24	28	26	33	23	27	<10**	311	346
2021	23	2026-27	35	28	21	21	26	13	28	21	24	24	27	24	31	21	<10**	310	345
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2023	16	2028-29	35	19	27	27	21	20	26	13	35	25	24	23	23	20	<10**	304	339
2024	21	2029-30	35	25	18	27	27	20	21	27	16	34	25	23	21	21	<10**	306	341
2025	20	2030-31	36	24	24	18	27	26	21	22	33	16	33	23	21	19	<10**	308	344
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2027	20	2032-33	36	24	24	23	24	17	27	28	27	27	31	15	29	19	<10**	316	352
2028	19	2033-34	37	23	23	24	23	23	28	34	34	27	26	28	14	26	<10**	318	355
2029	20	2034-35	37	24	22	23	24	22	18	34	34	33	26	24	27	13	<10**	315	352
2030	20	2035-36	37	24	23	22	23	23	23	25	22	33	32	24	22	24	<10**	321	358

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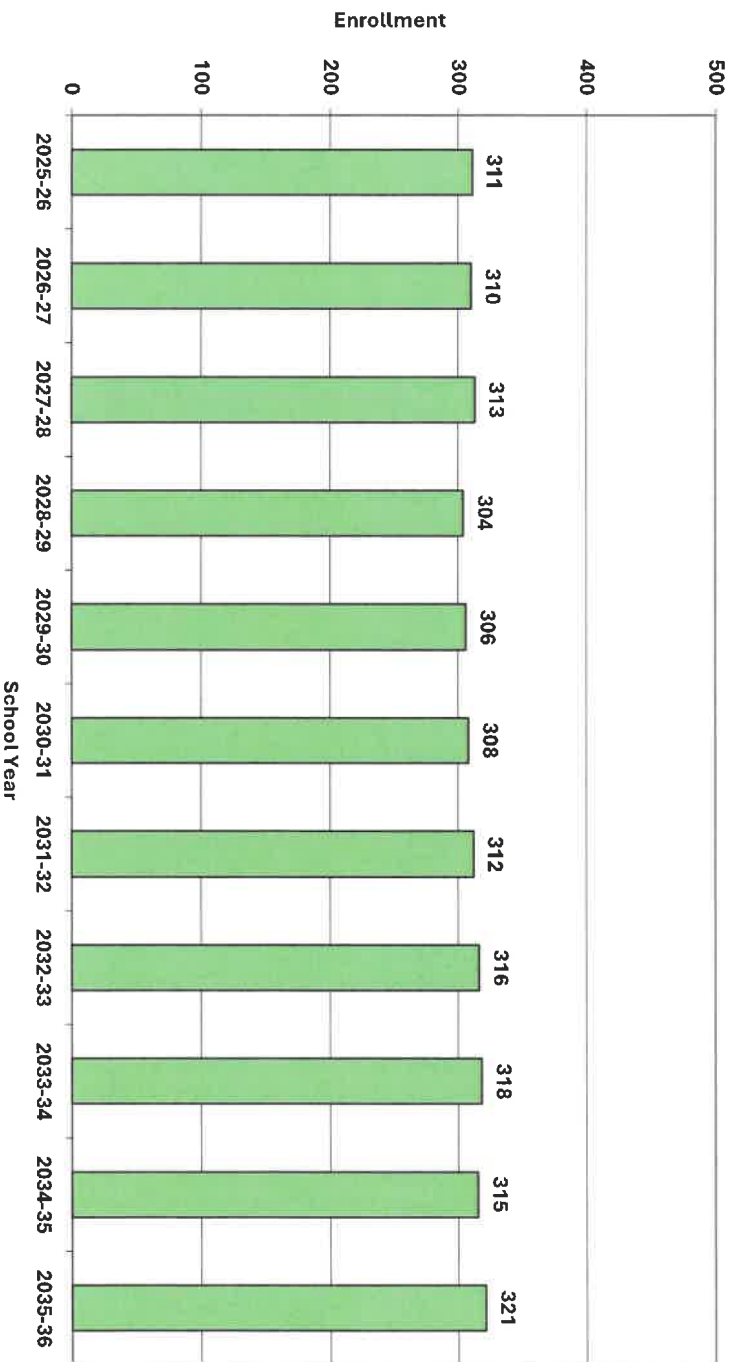
Projected Enrollment in Grade Combinations*										
School Year	PK-6	K-6	K-3	4-6	6-8	K-8	PK-8	7-8	7-12	9-12
2025-26	184	149	82	67	72	201	236	52	161	109
2026-27	193	158	96	62	69	206	241	48	151	103
2027-28	199	164	97	67	78	213	248	49	148	99
2028-29	188	153	94	59	73	213	248	60	150	90
2029-30	200	165	97	68	77	215	250	50	140	90
2030-31	198	162	93	69	71	211	247	49	145	96
2031-32	201	165	90	75	81	224	260	59	146	87
2032-33	203	167	95	72	82	221	257	54	148	94
2033-34	198	161	93	68	89	222	258	61	156	95
2034-35	194	157	93	64	85	224	261	67	157	90
2035-36	200	163	92	71	80	218	255	55	157	102

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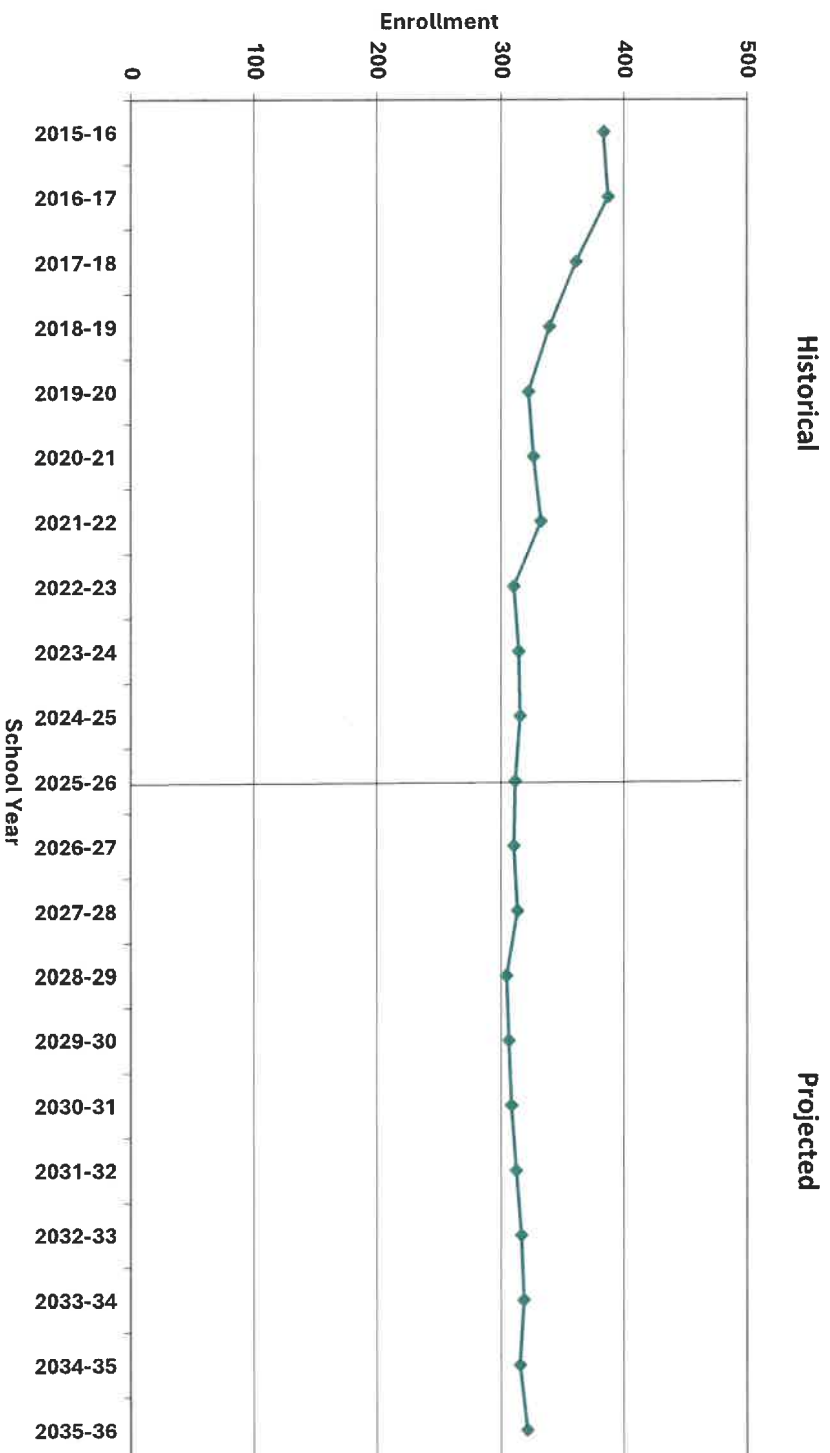


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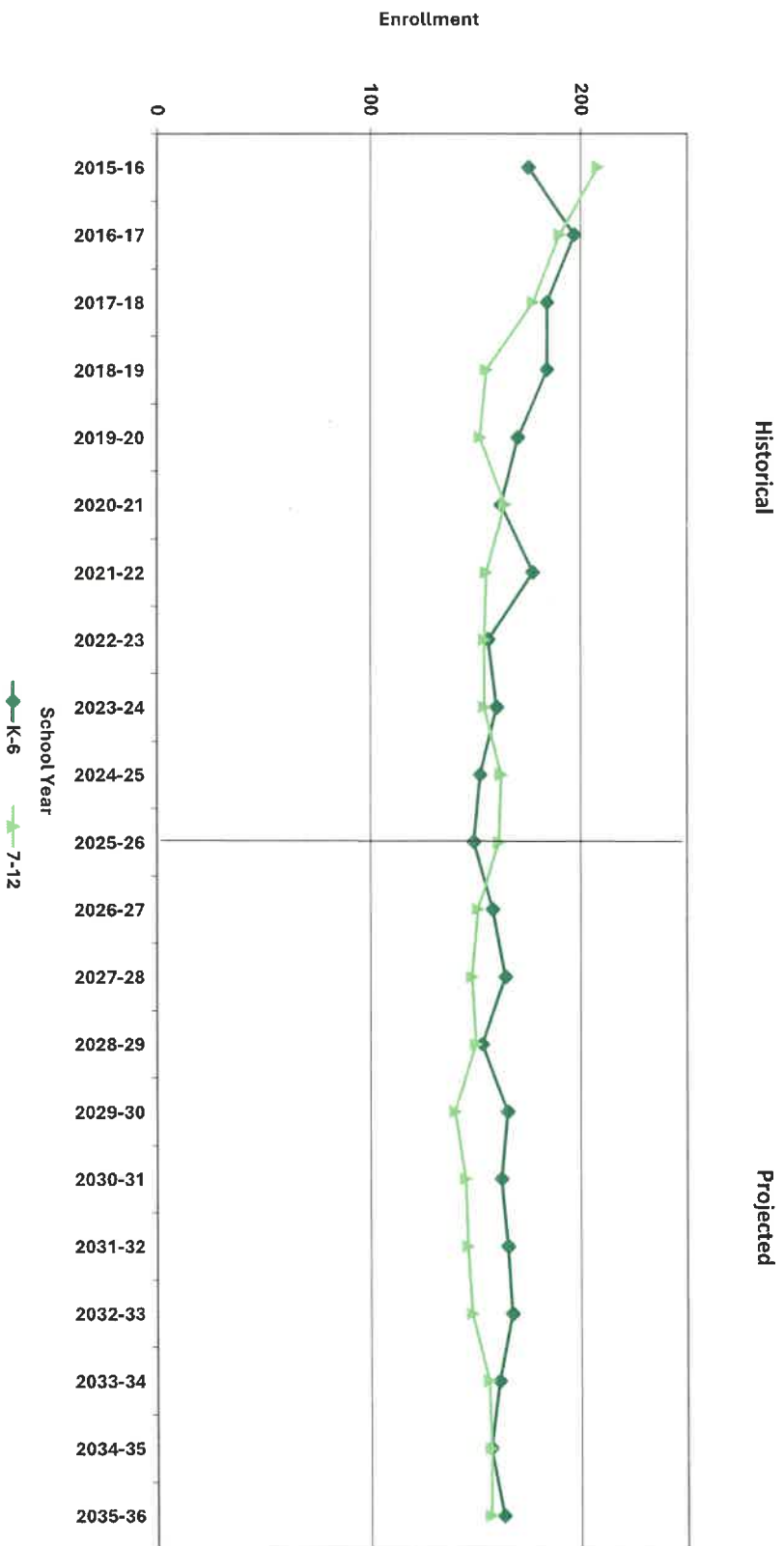


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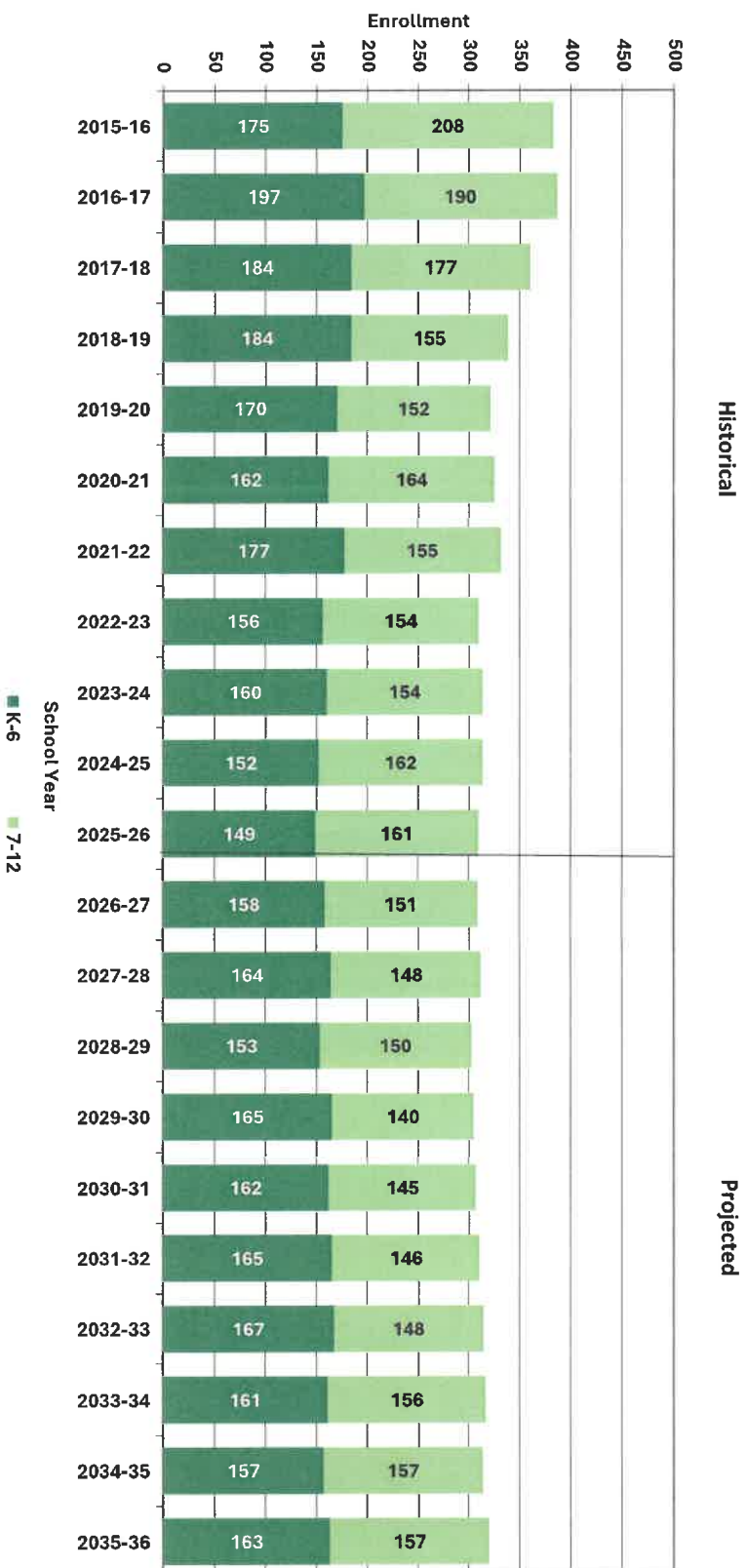


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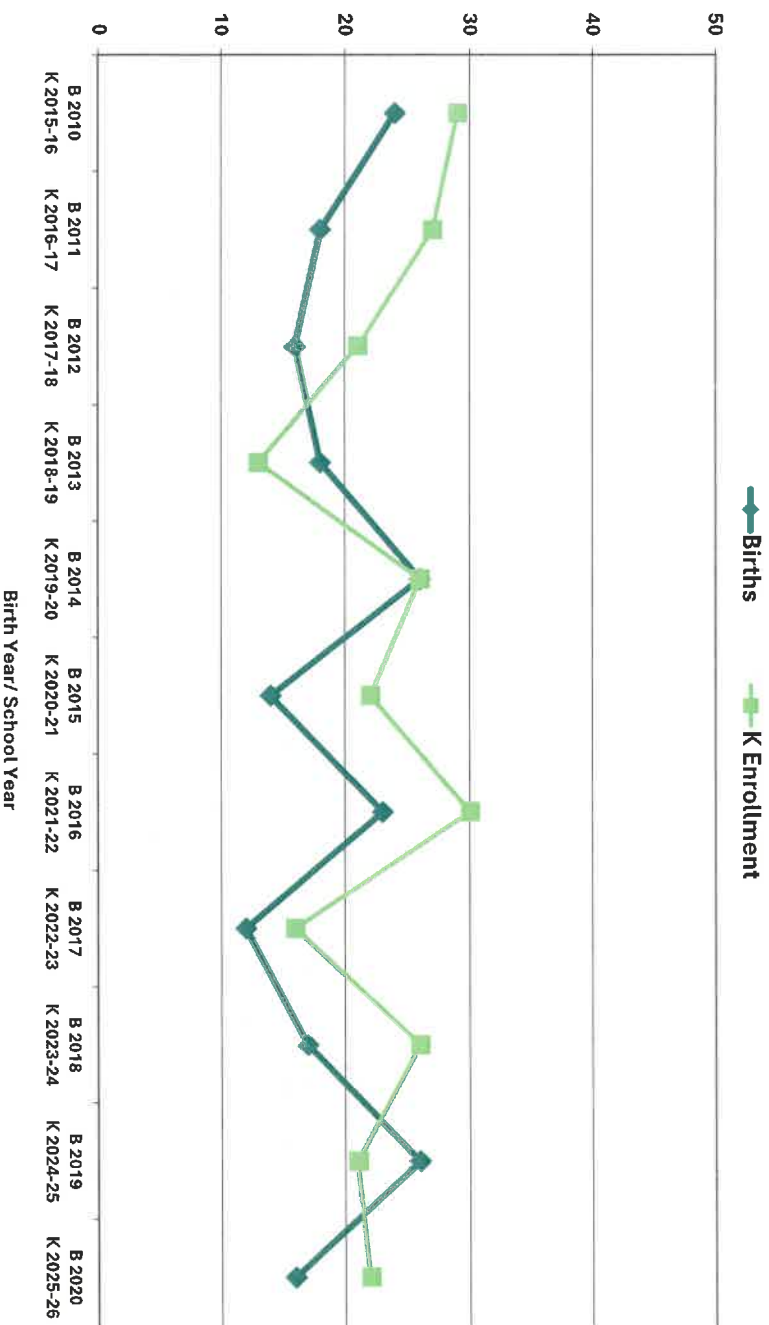


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Calais, VT

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Calais, VT Enrollment Summary

NESDEC is pleased to send you this report displaying the past, present, and projected enrollments for your District. It is important to update enrollment projections every year to identify changes in enrollment patterns. Ten-year projections are designed to provide your District with yearly, up-to-date enrollment information that can be used by boards and administrators for effective planning and allocation of resources. We received the enrollment data from the District, and we assume that the method of collecting this data has been consistent from year to year.

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The NESDEC enrollment projection fell within 17 students of the K-12 total, 177 students projected vs. 194 enrolled. Note: Ungraded students are not included in K-12 total.

Births decreased by 2 from a previous ten-year average of 12 to a projected average of 10. In most districts, Grades 1-8 are very stable in enrollments. However, there have been increases in 7 of the 8 most recent years, leading to a net increase averaging 6 students per year.

Over the next three years, Grades K-6 enrollments are projected to decrease by 4 students, and Grades 7-12 enrollments are projected to decrease by 7 students, as students move through the grades.

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Historical Enrollment

School District:

Washington Central USD - Calais, VT

10/30/2025

Historical Enrollment By Grade																		
Birth Year	Births*	School Year	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	UNGR	K-12
2010	21	2015-16	16	16	11	18	14	19	17	17	28	10	20	22	23	18	0	233
2011	15	2016-17	10	10	17	15	19	15	20	16	19	26	11	18	20	16	0	222
2012	7	2017-18	16	6	12	16	17	20	16	23	17	20	26	11	19	22	0	225
2013	9	2018-19	28	5	6	13	17	19	20	18	25	18	22	23	15	20	0	221
2014	10	2019-20	30	12	5	7	15	19	22	18	23	25	18	19	25	11	0	219
2015	10	2020-21	24	8	12	5	8	16	19	20	17	21	24	19	22	25	0	216
2016	12	2021-22	17	10	11	13	6	9	16	21	22	20	21	25	19	16	0	209
2017	12	2022-23	15	10	10	13	13	6	9	17	20	24	19	20	23	13	0	197
2018	13	2023-24	13	12	12	9	12	16	7	9	18	19	21	19	21	17	0	192
2019	7	2024-25	15	9	14	11	9	14	14	7	12	18	22	22	15	21	0	188
2020	12	2025-26	16	11	10	14	12	10	14	18	10	15	21	22	21	16	0	194

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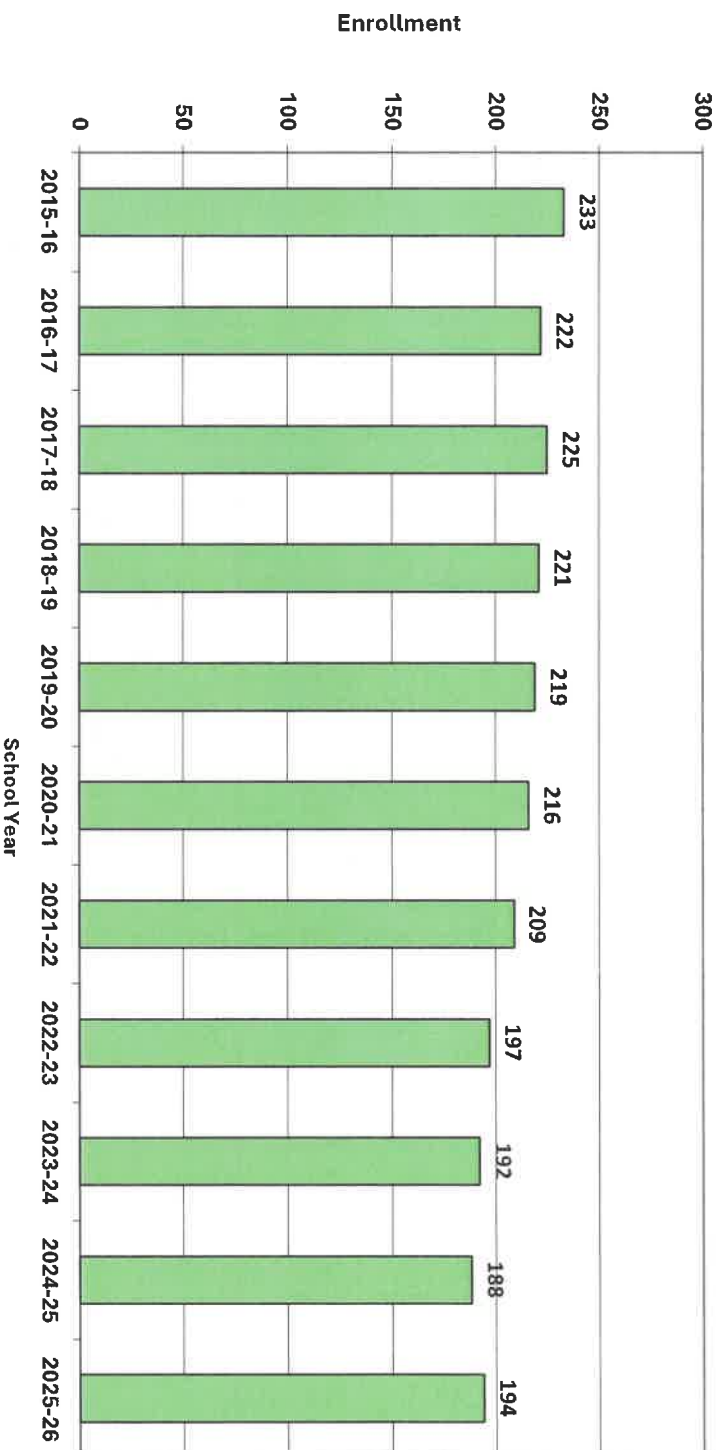
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Historical Enrollment in Grade Combinations									
School Year	PK-6	K-6	K-3	4-6	6-8	K-8	PK-8	7-8	7-12
2015-16	128	112	59	53	55	150	166	38	121
2016-17	122	112	61	51	61	157	167	45	110
2017-18	126	110	51	59	60	147	163	37	115
2018-19	126	98	41	57	61	141	169	43	123
2019-20	128	98	39	59	66	146	176	48	121
2020-21	112	88	33	55	58	126	150	38	128
2021-22	103	86	40	46	63	128	145	42	123
2022-23	93	78	46	32	61	122	137	44	119
2023-24	90	77	45	32	46	114	127	37	115
2024-25	93	78	43	35	37	108	123	30	110
2025-26	105	89	47	42	43	114	130	25	105

Historical Percentage Changes			
School Year	K-12	Diff.	%
2015-16	233		
2016-17	222	-11	-4.7%
2017-18	225	3	1.4%
2018-19	221	-4	-1.8%
2019-20	219	-2	-0.9%
2020-21	216	-3	-1.4%
2021-22	209	-7	-3.2%
2022-23	197	-12	-5.7%
2023-24	192	-5	-2.5%
2024-25	188	-4	-2.1%
2025-26	194	6	3.2%
Change		-39	-16.7%



Grades K-12 Historical Enrollment





Projected Enrollment

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Enrollment Projections By Grade*																		
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2020	12	2025-26	16	11	10	14	12	10	14	18	10	15	21	22	21	16	0	194
2021	9	2026-27	16	9	13	10	14	14	10	15	21	11	16	21	20	18	0	192
2022	9	2027-28	16	9	10	13	10	16	14	11	18	22	11	16	20	17	0	187
2023	10	2028-29	16	10	10	10	13	11	16	15	13	19	23	11	15	17	0	183
2024	9	2029-30	16	9	12	10	10	15	11	17	18	14	20	23	10	13	0	182
2025	10	2030-31	17	10	10	12	10	11	15	12	20	19	15	20	21	9	0	184
2026	9	2031-32	17	9	12	10	12	11	11	16	14	21	20	15	19	18	0	188
2027	10	2032-33	17	9	10	12	10	14	11	12	19	15	22	20	14	17	0	185
2028	10	2033-34	17	10	10	10	12	11	14	12	14	20	16	22	19	12	0	182
2029	10	2034-35	18	9	12	10	10	14	11	15	14	15	21	16	20	17	0	184
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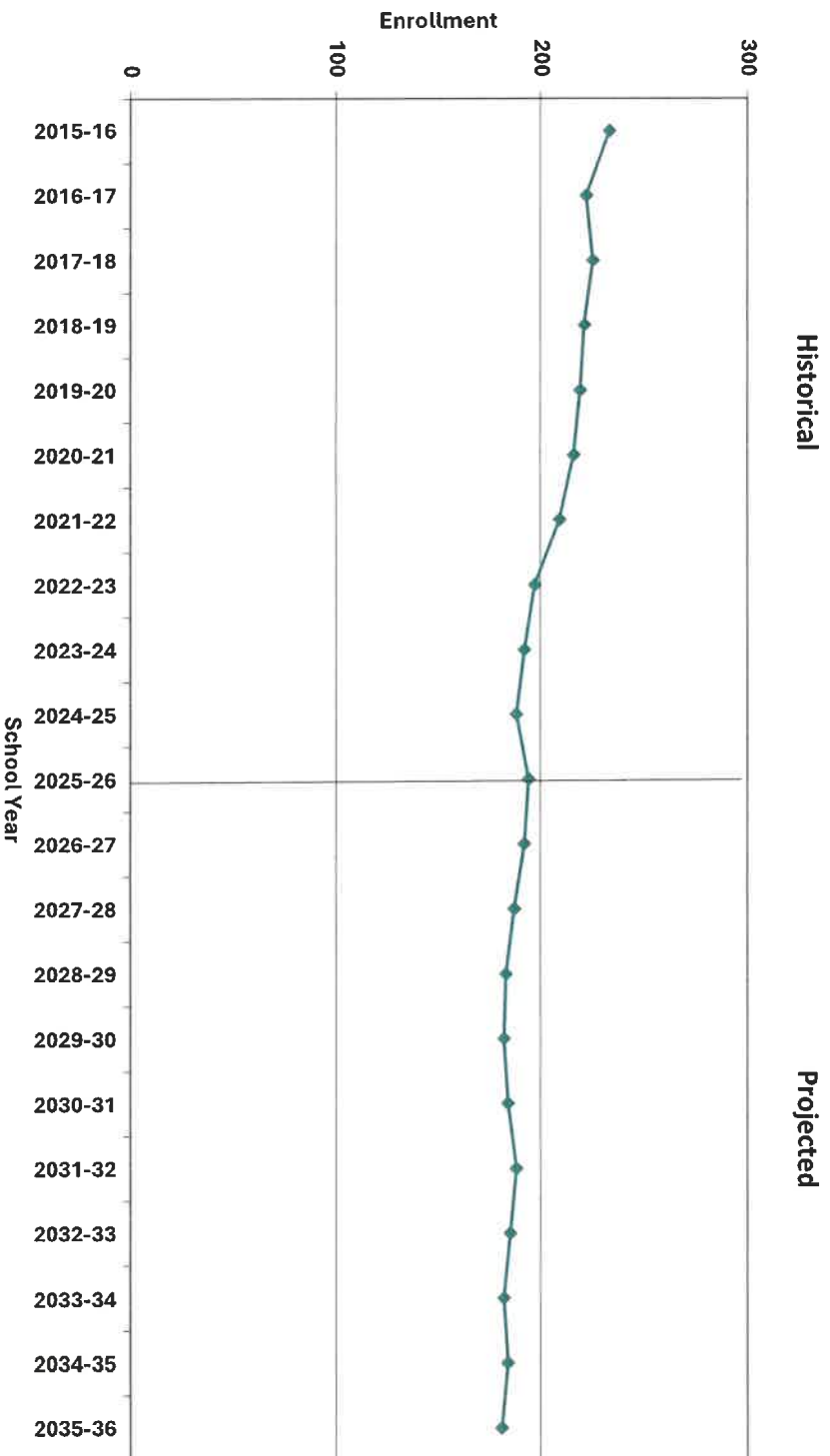


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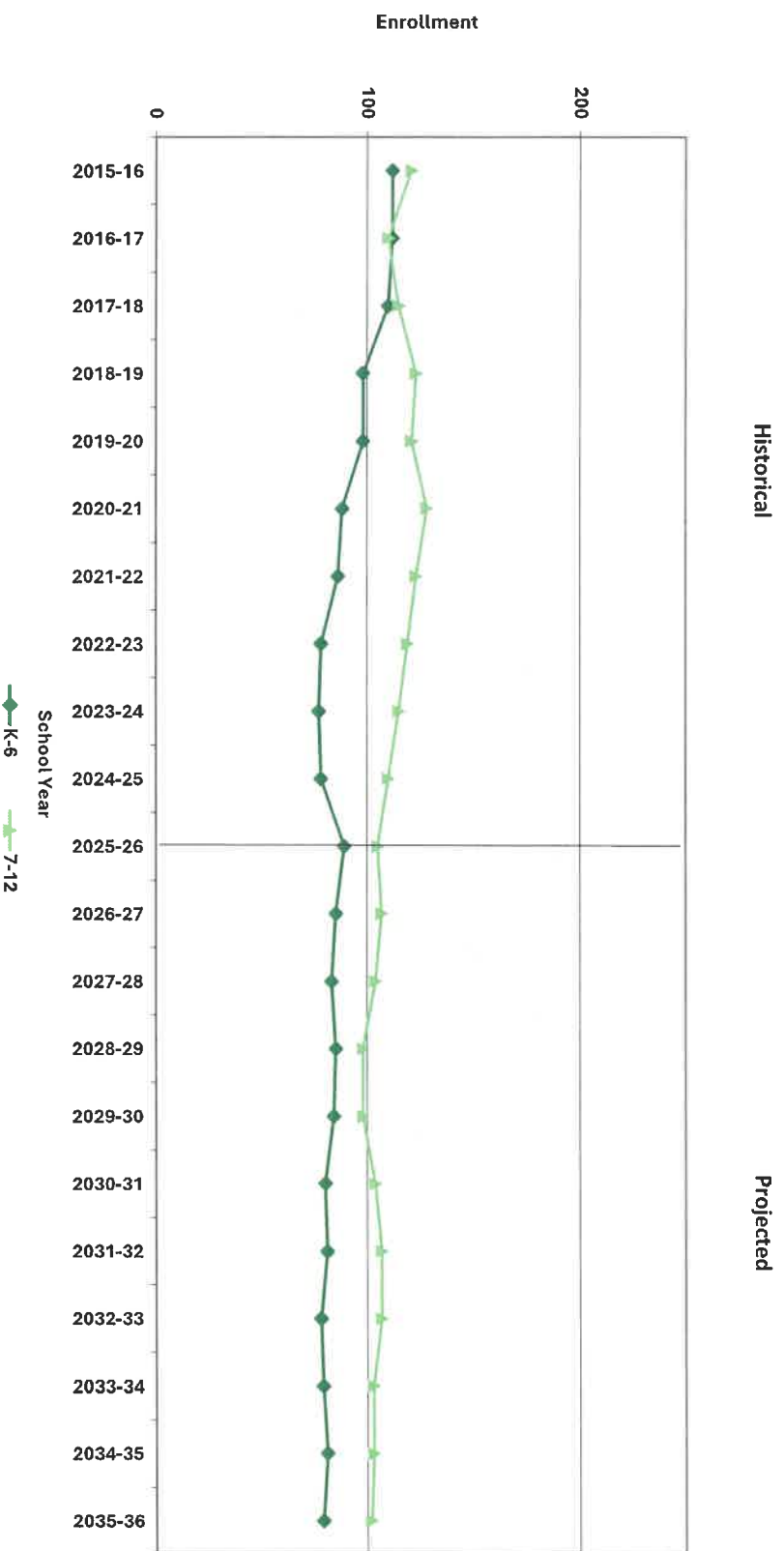


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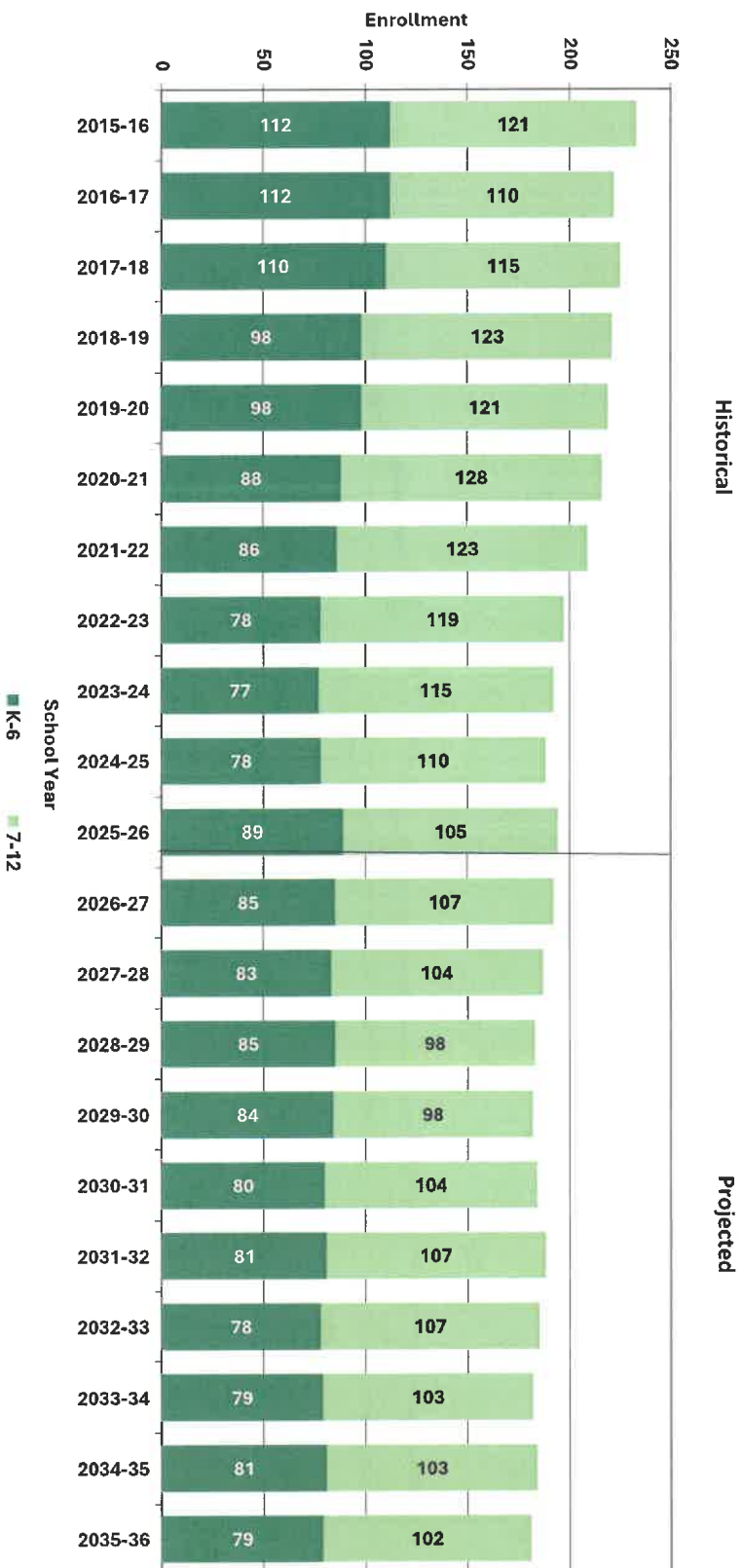


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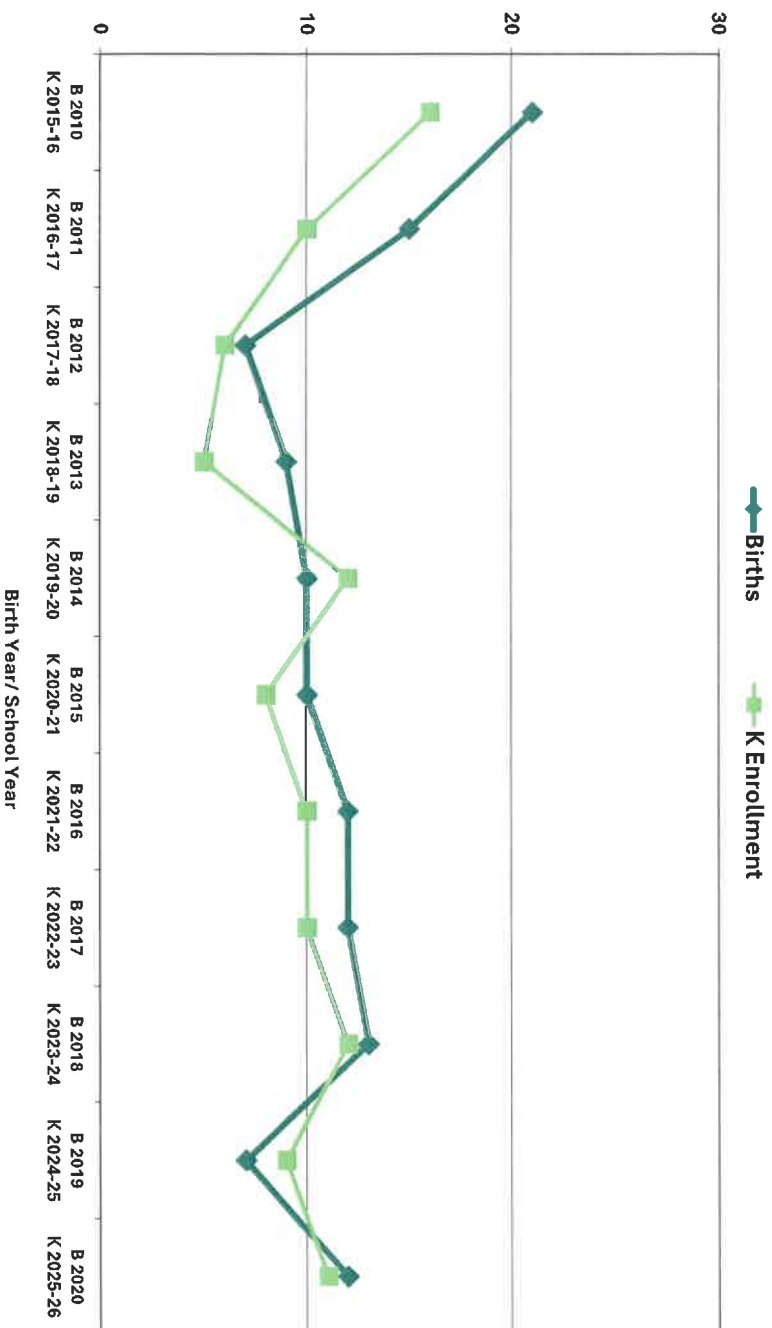


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East Montpelier, VT Enrollment Summary

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The NESDEC enrollment projection fell within 5 students of the K-12 total, 350 students projected vs. 355 enrolled. Note: Ungraded students are not included in K-12 total.

Births decreased by 6 from a previous ten-year average of 18 to a projected average of 12. In most districts, Grades 1-8 are very stable in enrollments. However, there have been increases in 8 of the 8 most recent years, leading to a net increase averaging 8 students per year.

Over the next three years, Grades K-6 enrollments are projected to decrease by 19 students, and Grades 7-12 enrollments are projected to decrease by 8 students, as students move through the grades.

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Historical Enrollment

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Historical Enrollment By Grade																			
Birth Year	Births*	School Year	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	UNGR	K-12	PK-12
2010	20	2015-16	27	28	16	26	18	27	23	38	29	37	31	34	34	38	0	379	406
2011	18	2016-17	36	25	31	17	28	22	25	26	37	31	36	32	35	34	0	379	415
2012	24	2017-18	41	34	26	31	19	31	22	25	25	35	34	33	33	21	0	369	410
2013	13	2018-19	41	27	29	29	31	19	28	23	30	25	41	36	32	32	0	382	423
2014	14	2019-20	50	19	28	31	29	33	20	31	26	32	22	43	35	30	0	379	429
2015	20	2020-21	36	25	18	30	33	29	36	21	33	30	33	19	41	29	0	377	413
2016	19	2021-22	23	20	31	18	33	31	33	36	23	34	34	33	22	34	0	382	405
2017	17	2022-23	22	21	21	32	18	32	33	34	38	20	32	31	31	19	0	362	384
2018	16	2023-24	20	22	20	22	31	19	33	33	37	37	19	36	31	28	0	368	388
2019	17	2024-25	31	23	21	21	22	31	20	36	30	37	35	19	35	31	0	361	392
2020	13	2025-26	30	22	22	25	26	26	32	21	32	30	36	33	17	33	<10**	357	387

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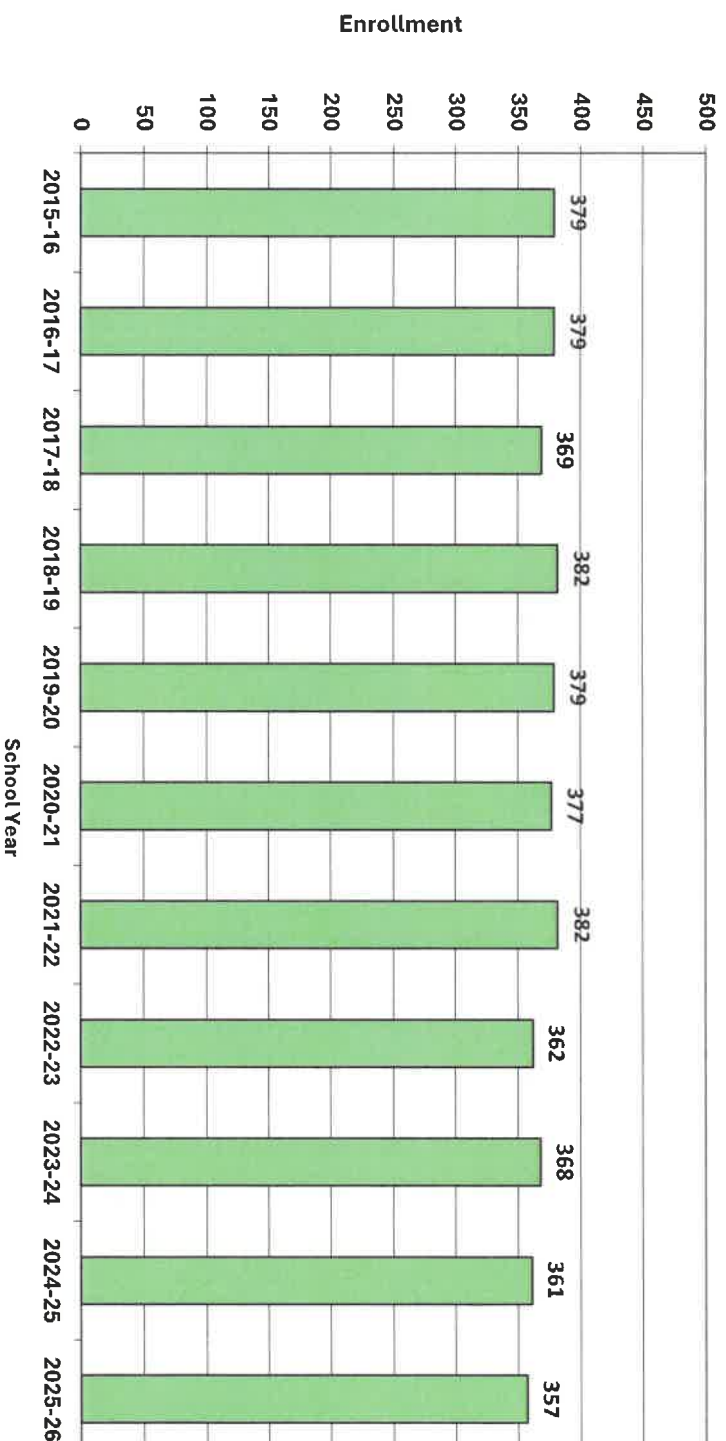
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Historical Enrollment in Grade Combinations									
School Year	PK-6	K-6	K-3	4-6	6-8	K-8	PK-8	7-8	7-12
2015-16	203	176	88	88	104	242	269	66	203
2016-17	210	174	101	73	94	242	278	68	205
2017-18	229	188	110	78	85	248	289	60	181
2018-19	227	186	116	70	78	241	282	55	196
2019-20	241	191	107	84	89	249	299	58	188
2020-21	228	192	106	86	84	255	291	63	185
2021-22	225	202	102	100	93	259	282	57	180
2022-23	213	191	92	99	92	249	271	58	171
2023-24	200	180	95	85	107	254	274	74	188
2024-25	205	174	87	87	103	241	272	67	187
2025-26	204	174	95	79	83	236	266	62	181

Historical Percentage Changes			
School Year	K-12	Diff.	%
2015-16	379	0	0.0%
2016-17	379	0	0.0%
2017-18	369	-10	-2.6%
2018-19	382	13	3.5%
2019-20	379	-3	-0.8%
2020-21	377	-2	-0.5%
2021-22	382	5	1.3%
2022-23	362	-20	-5.2%
2023-24	368	6	1.7%
2024-25	361	-7	-1.9%
2025-26	357	-4	-1.1%
Change	-22		-5.8%



Grades K-12 Historical Enrollment





Projected Enrollment

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Enrollment Projections By Grade*																				
Birth Year	Births*	School Year	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	UNGR	K-12	PK-12	
2020	13	2025-26	30	22	22	25	26	26	32	21	32	30	36	33	17	33	<10**	357	387	
2021	13	2026-27	30	18	22	23	26	27	27	34	21	32	29	36	32	16	<10**	345	375	
2022	6	2027-28	30	8	18	23	24	27	28	28	34	21	31	29	35	29	<10**	337	367	
2023	16	2028-29	30	22	8	19	24	25	28	29	28	34	20	31	28	32	<10**	330	360	
2024	13	2029-30	30	18	22	8	20	25	26	29	29	28	33	20	30	26	<10**	316	346	
2025	12	2030-31	31	17	18	23	8	21	26	27	29	29	27	33	19	28	<10**	307	338	
2026	12	2031-32	31	17	17	19	24	8	22	27	27	29	28	27	32	17	<10**	296	327	
2027	12	2032-33	31	17	17	18	20	25	8	23	27	27	28	28	26	29	<10**	295	326	
2028	13	2033-34	31	18	17	18	19	21	26	8	23	23	27	26	27	24	<10**	284	315	
2029	12	2034-35	32	17	18	18	19	20	22	27	8	23	26	26	27	25	<10**	278	310	
2030	12	2035-36	32	17	17	19	19	20	21	23	27	8	22	26	25	25	<10**	271	303	

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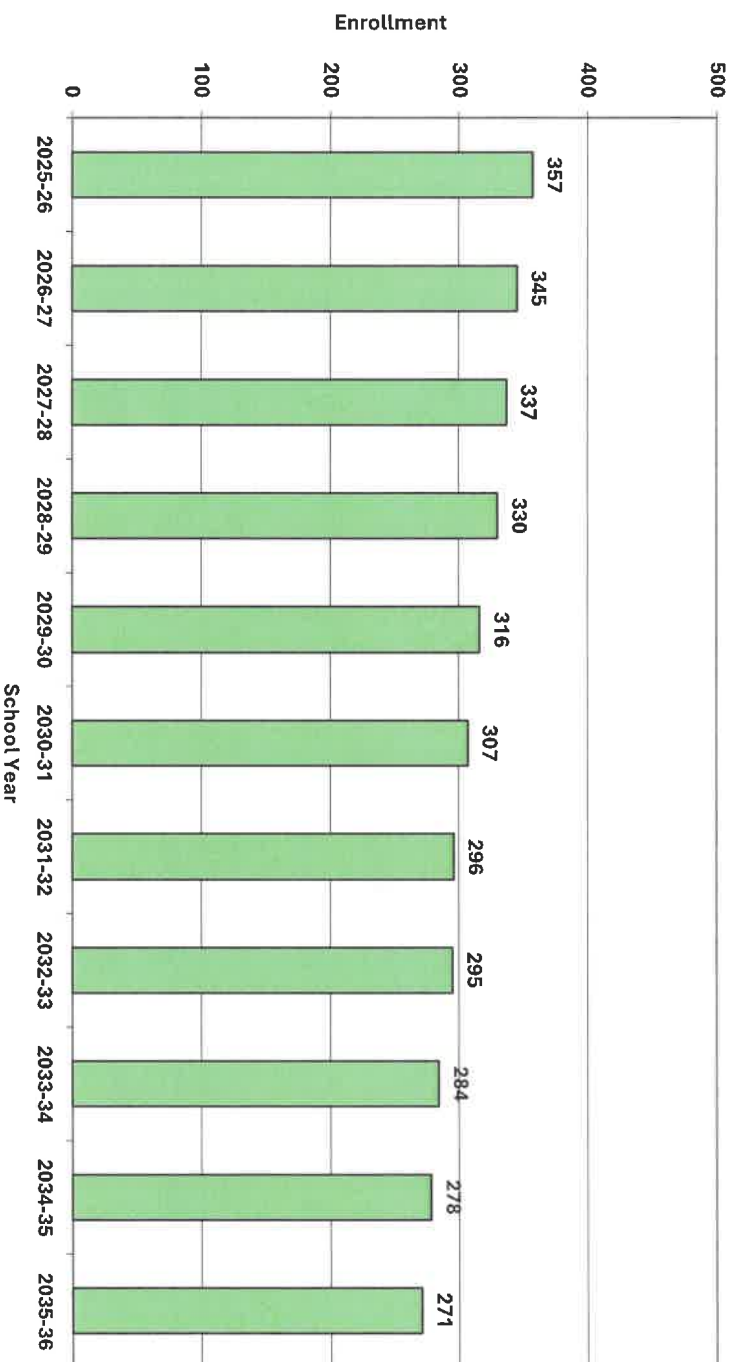
Projected Enrollment in Grade Combinations*									
School Year	PK-6	K-6	K-3	4-6	6-8	K-8	PK-8	7-8	7-12
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2026-27	207	177	89	88	87	230	260	53	166
2027-28	186	156	73	83	83	211	241	55	179
2028-29	185	155	73	82	91	217	247	62	173
2029-30	178	148	68	80	86	205	235	57	166
2030-31	171	140	66	74	85	198	229	58	165
2031-32	165	134	77	57	83	190	221	56	160
2032-33	159	128	72	56	77	182	213	54	165
2033-34	158	127	72	55	58	177	208	50	155
2034-35	173	141	72	69	58	172	204	31	135
2035-36	168	136	72	64	58	171	203	35	133

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Projected Percentage Changes			
School Year	K-12	Diff.	%
2025-26	357		
2026-27	345	-12	-3.4%
2027-28	337	-8	-2.3%
2028-29	330	-7	-2.1%
2029-30	316	-14	-4.2%
2030-31	307	-9	-2.8%
2031-32	296	-11	-3.6%
2032-33	295	-1	-0.3%
2033-34	284	-11	-3.7%
2034-35	278	-6	-2.1%
2035-36	271	-7	-2.5%
Change		-86	-24.1%

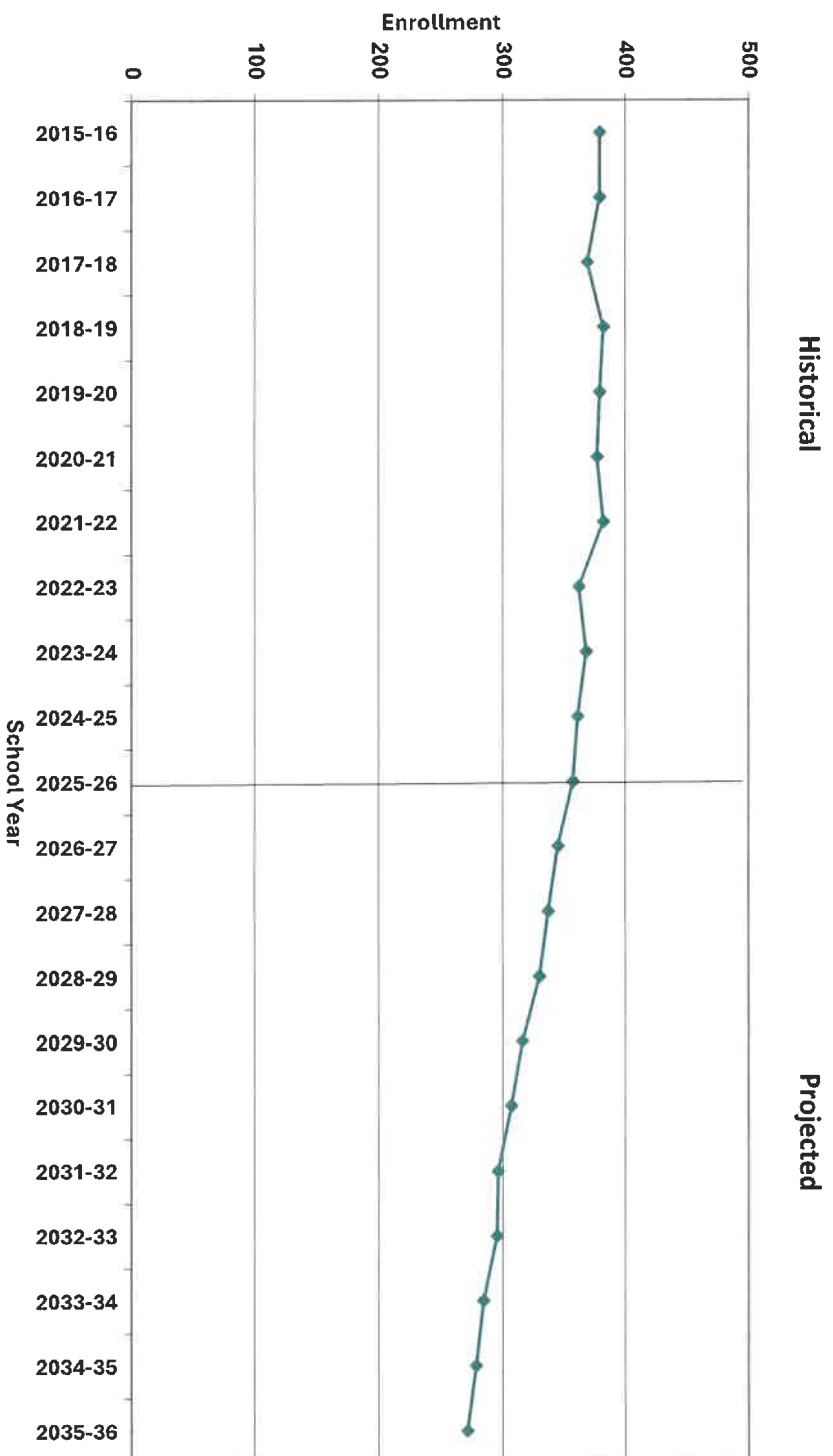


Grades K-12 Projected Enrollment



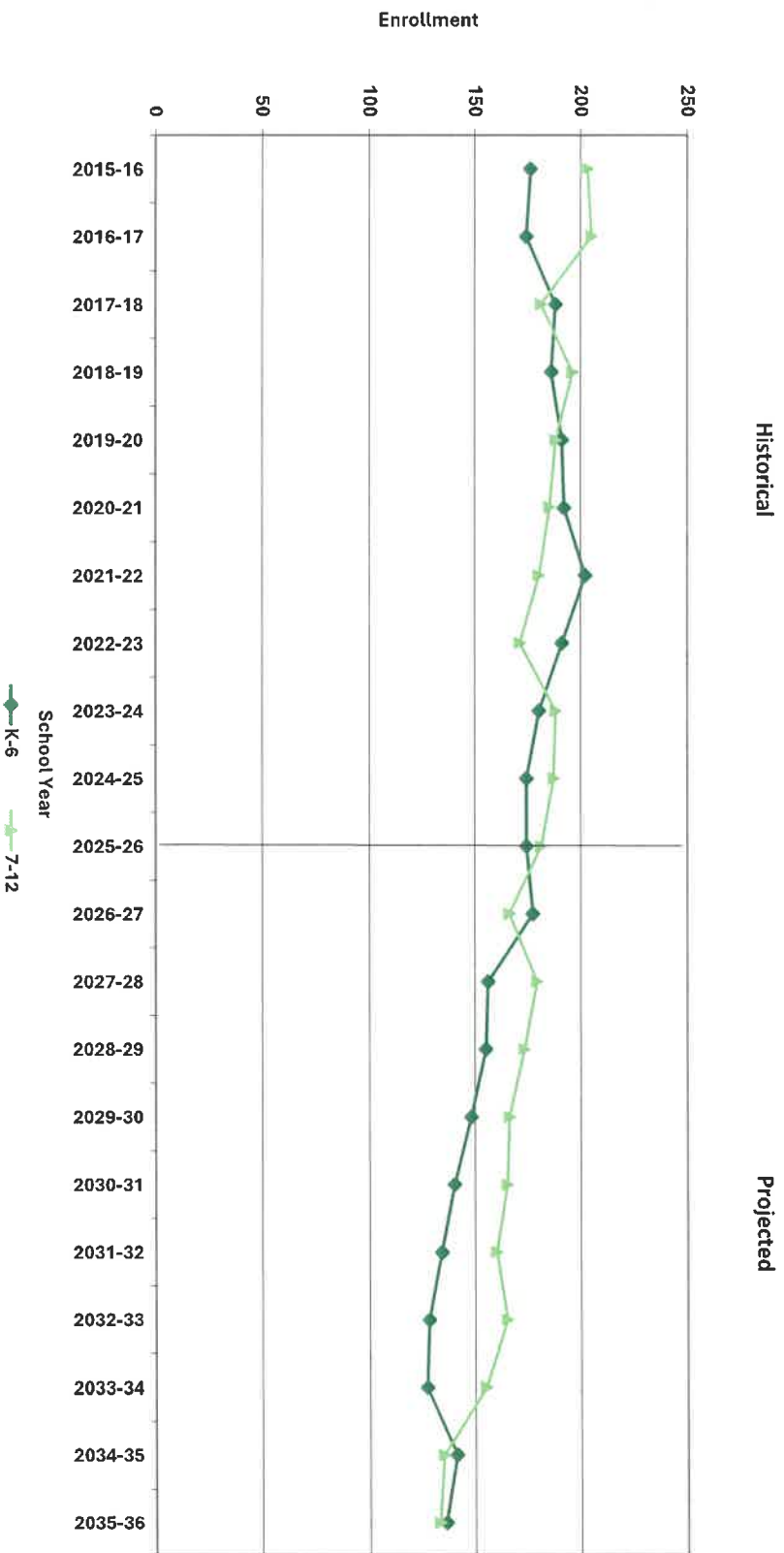


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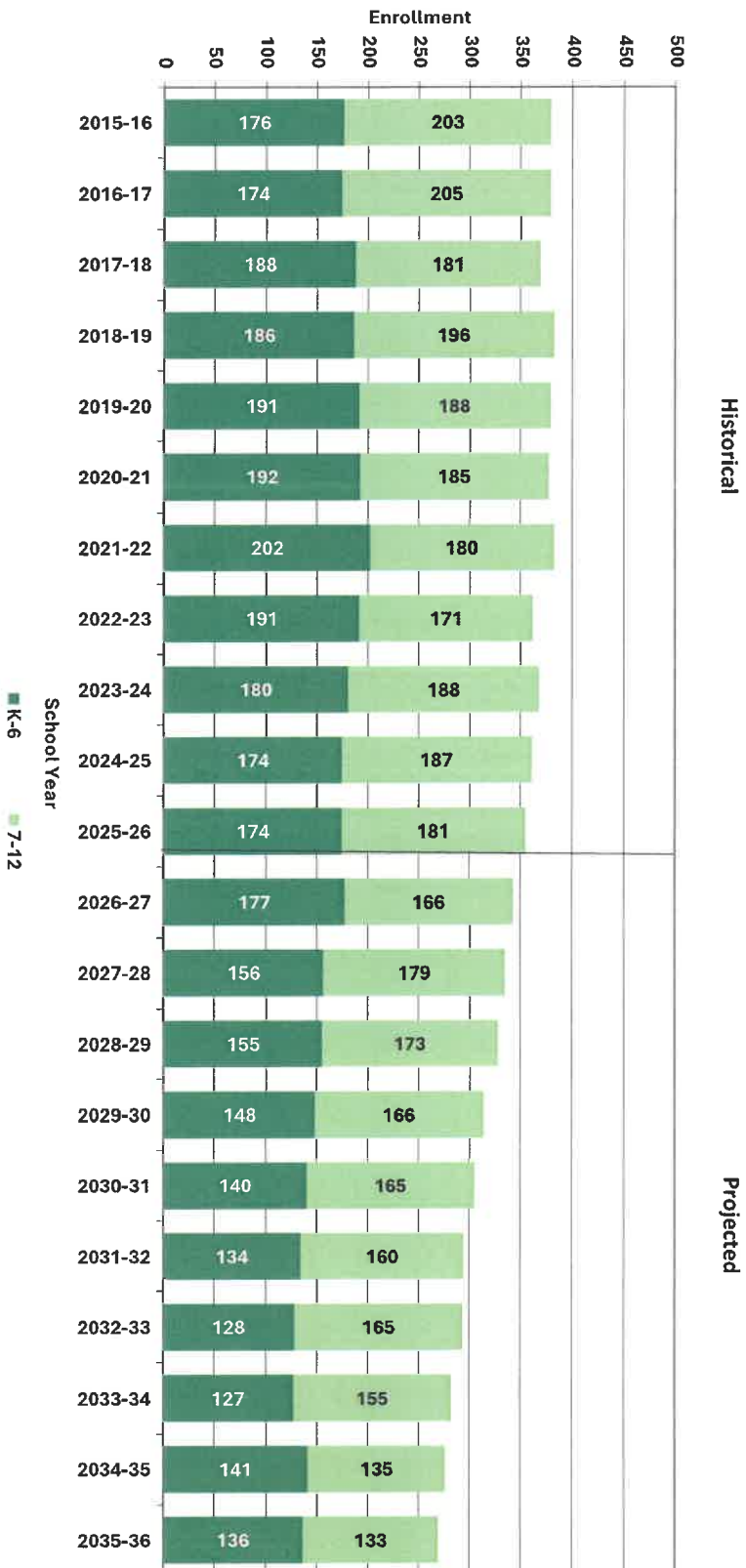


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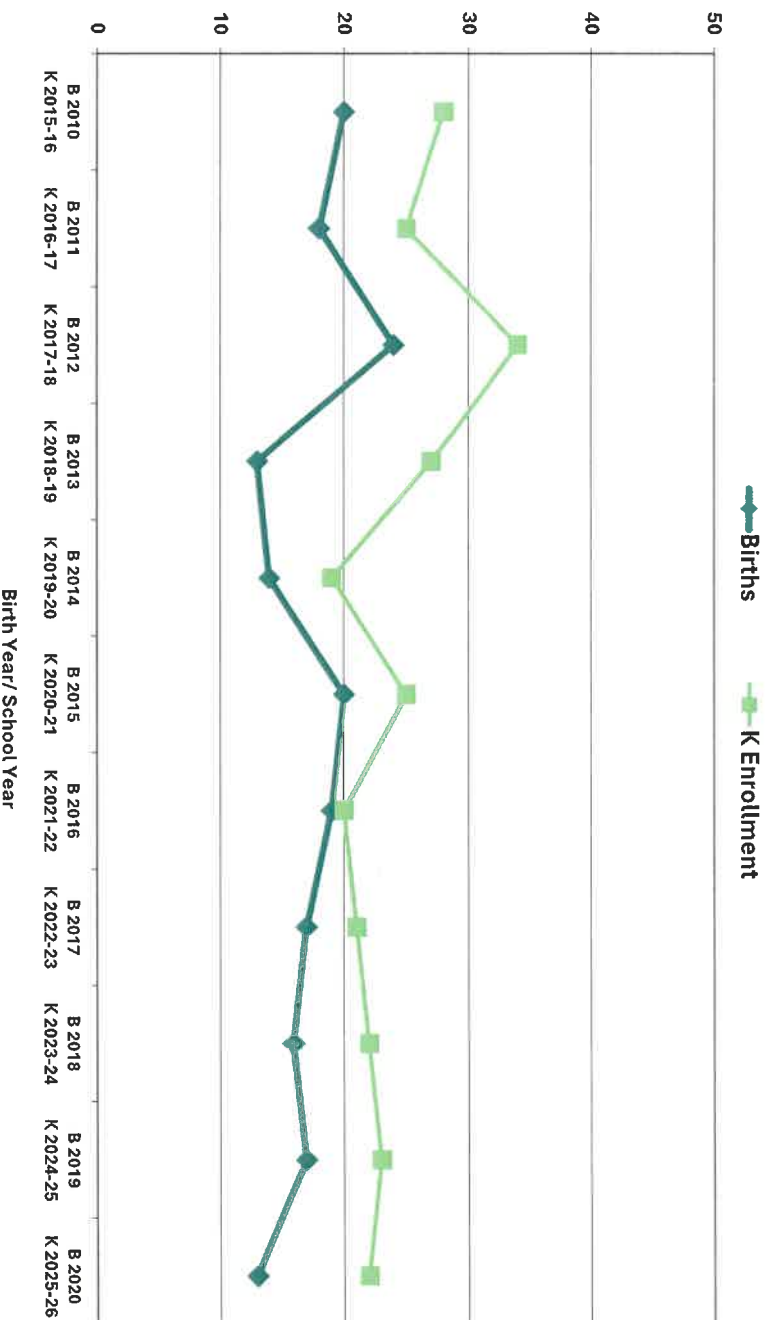


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Birth to Kindergarten Relationship



	B 2010	B 2011	B 2012	B 2013	B 2014	B 2015	B 2016	B 2017	B 2018	B 2019	B 2020
Births	20	18	24	13	14	20	19	17	16	17	13
Kindergarten	28	25	34	27	19	25	20	21	22	23	22



Additional Information

School Year	9-12 CTE	K-12 Non-Public	K-12 Choice-In	K-12 Choice-Out	K-12 Out District SPED	K-12 Homeschool
2021-22	n/a	n/a	0	14	0	10
2022-23	n/a	n/a	0	0	0	< 10 **
2023-24	n/a	n/a	0	15	0	< 10 **
2024-25	n/a	n/a	< 10 **	0	0	< 10 **
2025-26	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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New England's PK-12 Enrollments Trends

State	Fall 2013 PK - 12	Fall 2019 PK - 12	Fall 2022 PK - 12	Fall 2023 PK - 12	% Change 2013 - 23	% Change 2019-23	% Change 2022-23
USA	50,044,522	50,796,445	49,618,464	49,516,361	-1.1%	-2.5%	-0.2%
CT	546,200	523,690	513,513	512,652	-6.1%	-2.1%	-0.2%
ME	183,995	180,291	173,853	172,545	-6.2%	-4.3%	-0.8%
MA	955,739	959,394	923,349	914,958	-4.3%	-4.6%	-0.9%
NH	186,310	177,351	168,909	166,594	-10.6%	-6.1%	-1.4%
RI	142,008	143,557	137,449	136,154	-4.1%	-5.2%	-0.9%
VT	88,690	86,759	83,654	82,455	-7.0%	-5.0%	-1.4%

Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Enrollment in public elementary and secondary schools, by region, state, and jurisdiction: Selected years, fall 1990 through fall 2023, Table 203.20, Report Generated Oct. 2024, NESDEC 5.28.25

Although most New England Districts are seeing a decline in the number of births, NESDEC's experience indicates that the impact on enrollment varies from District to District. Almost half of New England Districts have been growing in PK-12 enrollment, and a similar number are declining (often in rural areas), with the other Districts remaining stable.



Projection Methodology and Reliability

PROJECTION METHODOLOGY

Cohort component (survival) technique is a frequently used method of preparing enrollment projections. NESDEC uses this method, but modifies it in order to move away from projections that are wholly computer- or formula-driven. Such modification permits the incorporation of important, current district-specific demographic information into the generation of enrollment projections (such as in/out-migration of students, resident births, etc.). Percentages are calculated from the historical enrollment data to determine a reliable percentage of increase or decrease in enrollment between any two grades. For example, if 100 students enrolled in Grade 1 in 2024-25 increased to 104 students in Grade 2 in 2025-26, the percentage of survival would be 104%, or a ratio of 1.04. Ratios are calculated between each pair of grades or years in school over several recent years.

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RELIABILITY OF ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS

Projections can serve as useful guides to school administrators for educational planning. Enrollment projections are more reliable in Years #1-3 in the future and less reliable in the "out-years." Projections four to ten years out may serve as a guide to future enrollments and are useful for planning purposes, but they should be viewed as subject to change given the likelihood of potential shifts in underlying assumptions/trends, such as student migration, births as they relate to Kindergarten enrollment, and other factors.

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Annual updates allow for early identification of recent changes in historical trends. When the actual enrollment in a grade is significantly different (higher or lower) from the projected number, it is important (yet difficult) to determine whether this is a one-year aberration or whether a new trend may have begun. **In light of this possibility, NESDEC urges all school districts to have updated enrollment projections developed by NESDEC each October.** This service is available at no cost to affiliated school districts.



New England School Development Council

Middlesex, VT

Washington Central USD

School Year 2025-26 Enrollment Projection Report



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The NESDEC enrollment projection fell within 7 students of the K-12 total, 205 students projected vs. 212 enrolled. Note: Ungraded students are not included in K-12 total.

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Over the next three years, Grades K-6 enrollments are projected to decrease by 7 students, and Grades 7-12 enrollments are projected to decrease by 22 students, as students move through the grades.

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2011	18	2016-17	29	18	21	23	21	26	17	33	22	23	19	20	17	17	0	277	306
2012	17	2017-18	33	21	18	19	21	20	24	20	31	21	23	18	20	15	0	271	304
2013	12	2018-19	29	21	22	21	17	22	22	24	22	30	22	19	17	18	0	277	306
2014	13	2019-20	31	16	17	23	21	18	20	24	23	20	29	20	16	17	0	264	295
2015	15	2020-21	24	10	13	15	19	16	18	20	25	21	20	28	19	15	0	239	263
2016	13	2021-22	20	20	12	16	16	18	16	18	23	25	19	18	27	16	0	244	264
2017	13	2022-23	16	9	22	10	17	14	16	16	18	23	25	19	17	22	0	228	244
2018	12	2023-24	12	15	9	21	11	16	13	16	17	19	22	25	20	15	0	219	231
2019	10	2024-25	26	5	17	10	22	12	15	12	16	17	21	19	25	17	<10 **	209	235
2020	15	2025-26	18	20	6	17	11	25	10	13	15	15	16	19	20	25	<10 **	214	232

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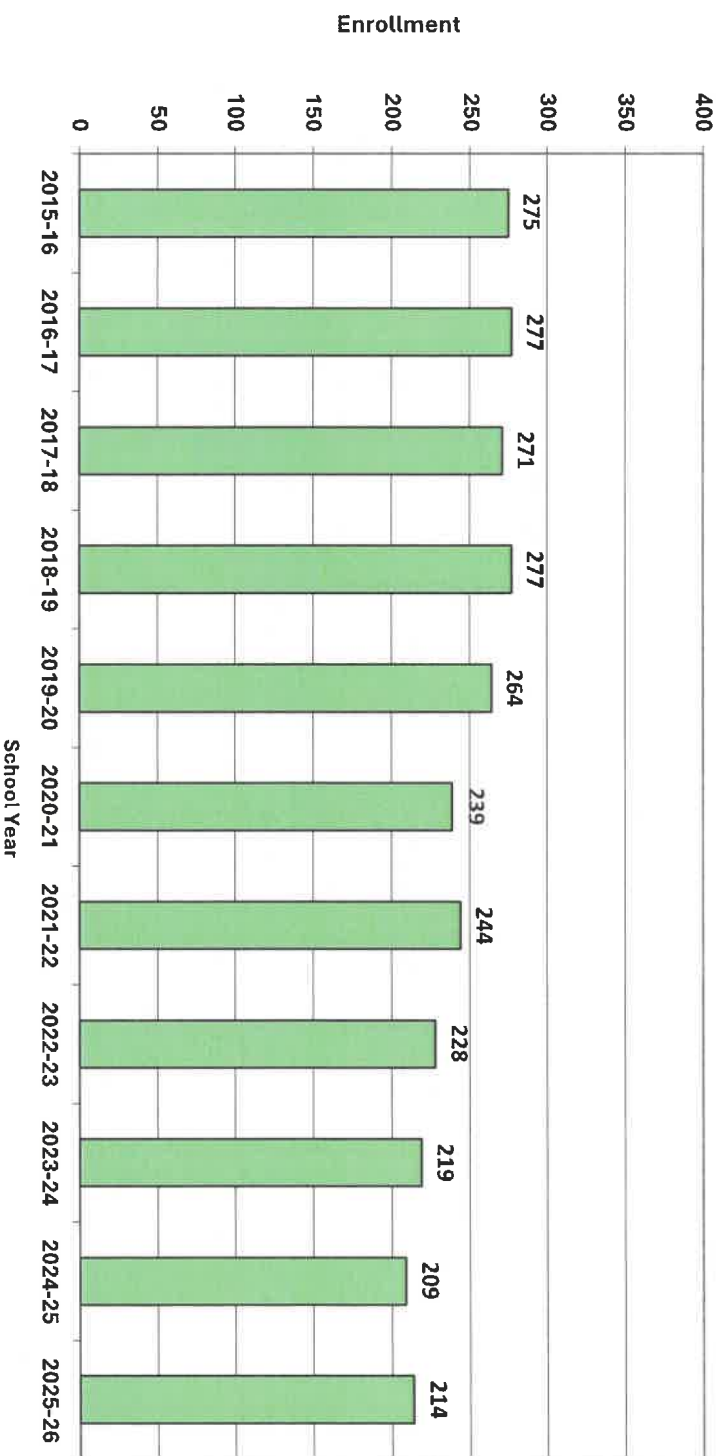
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2015-16	188	165	92	73	63	206	229	41	110
2016-17	188	159	83	76	78	204	233	45	118
2017-18	176	143	79	64	72	195	228	52	128
2018-19	178	149	81	68	76	201	230	52	128
2019-20	170	139	77	62	67	182	213	43	125
2020-21	135	111	57	54	66	157	181	46	128
2021-22	136	116	64	52	66	164	184	48	128
2022-23	120	104	58	46	57	145	161	41	124
2023-24	113	101	56	45	52	137	149	36	118
2024-25	119	93	54	39	45	126	152	33	115
2025-26	120	102	54	48	43	132	150	30	110

Historical Percentage Changes			
School Year	K-12	Diff.	%
2015-16	275		
2016-17	277	2	0.7%
2017-18	271	-6	-2.2%
2018-19	277	6	2.2%
2019-20	264	-13	-4.7%
2020-21	239	-25	-9.5%
2021-22	244	5	2.1%
2022-23	228	-16	-6.6%
2023-24	219	-9	-3.9%
2024-25	209	-10	-4.6%
2025-26	214	5	2.4%
Change	-61		-22.2%



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2021	7	2026-27	18	7	22	6	18	12	22	9	14	15	15	15	19	18	<10**	194	212	
2022	15	2027-28	18	15	8	22	6	19	11	21	10	14	15	14	15	17	<10**	189	207	
2023	13	2028-29	18	13	17	8	24	6	17	10	22	10	14	14	14	14	<10**	185	203	
2024	12	2029-30	18	12	14	17	9	25	5	16	11	22	10	13	14	13	<10**	183	201	
2025	12	2030-31	19	13	13	14	18	10	22	5	17	11	22	9	13	13	<10**	182	201	
2026	12	2031-32	19	12	14	13	15	19	9	21	5	17	11	21	9	12	<10**	180	199	
2027	13	2032-33	19	13	13	14	14	16	17	9	22	5	17	10	21	8	<10**	181	200	
2028	12	2033-34	19	13	14	13	15	15	14	16	10	22	5	16	10	19	<10**	184	203	
2029	12	2034-35	20	12	14	14	14	16	13	13	17	10	22	5	16	9	<10**	177	197	
2030	12	2035-36	20	12	13	14	15	15	14	12	14	17	10	21	5	15	<10**	179	199	

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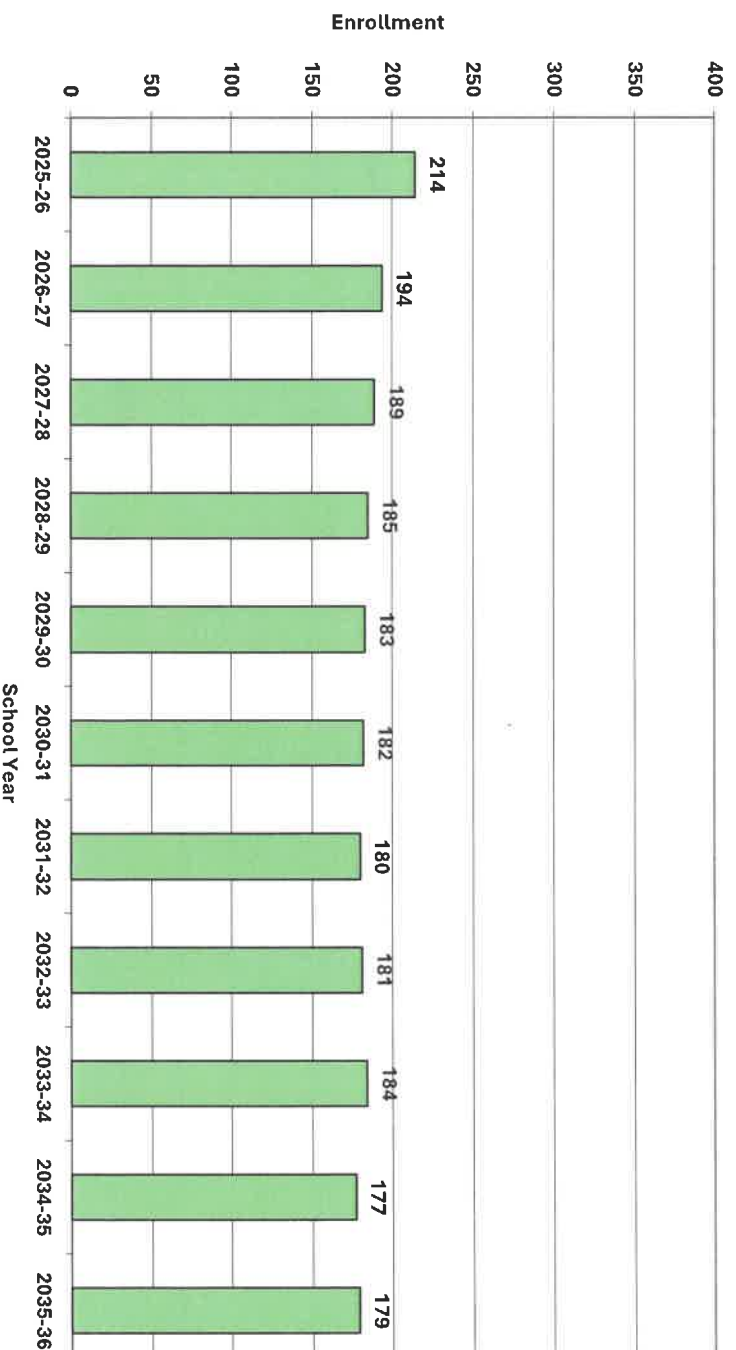
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School Year	PK-6	K-6	K-3	4-6	6-8	K-8	PK-8	7-8	7-12
2025-26	120	102	54	48	43	132	150	30	110
2026-27	114	96	53	43	38	125	143	29	96
2027-28	120	102	51	51	45	126	144	24	85
2028-29	113	95	62	33	42	127	145	32	88
2029-30	116	98	52	46	49	131	149	33	83
2030-31	114	95	58	37	33	123	142	28	85
2031-32	122	103	54	49	43	125	144	22	75
2032-33	115	96	54	42	36	123	142	27	83
2033-34	119	100	55	45	48	132	151	32	82
2034-35	116	96	54	42	40	123	143	27	79
2035-36	115	95	54	41	43	126	146	31	82

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Projected Percentage Changes			
School Year	K-12	Diff.	%
2025-26	214	-20	-9.3%
2026-27	194	-5	-2.6%
2027-28	189	-4	-2.1%
2028-29	185	-2	-1.1%
2029-30	183	-1	-0.5%
2030-31	182	1	0.6%
2031-32	180	3	1.7%
2032-33	181	1	0.6%
2033-34	184	3	1.7%
2034-35	177	-7	-3.8%
2035-36	179	2	1.1%
Change	-35	-16.4%	

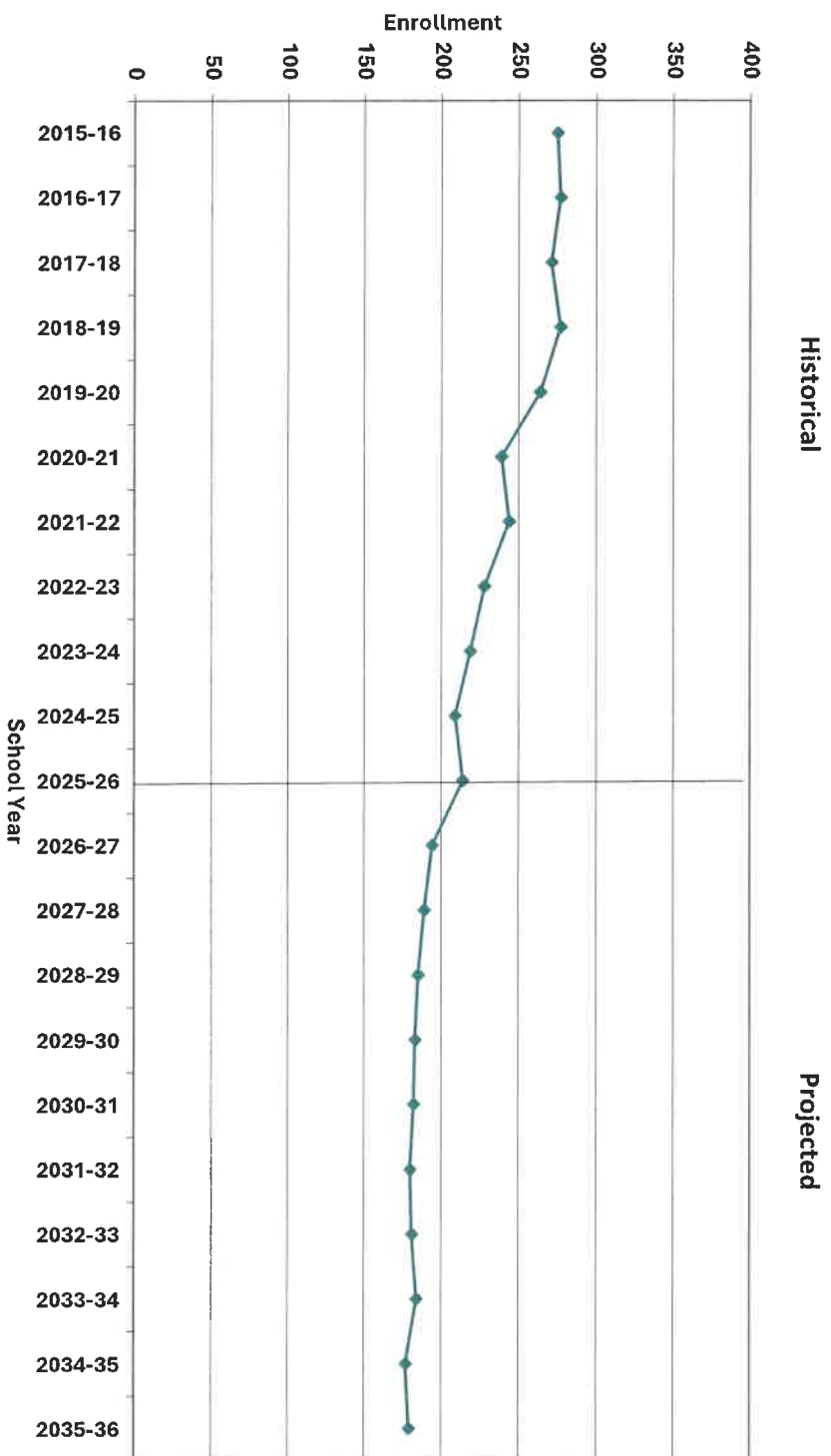


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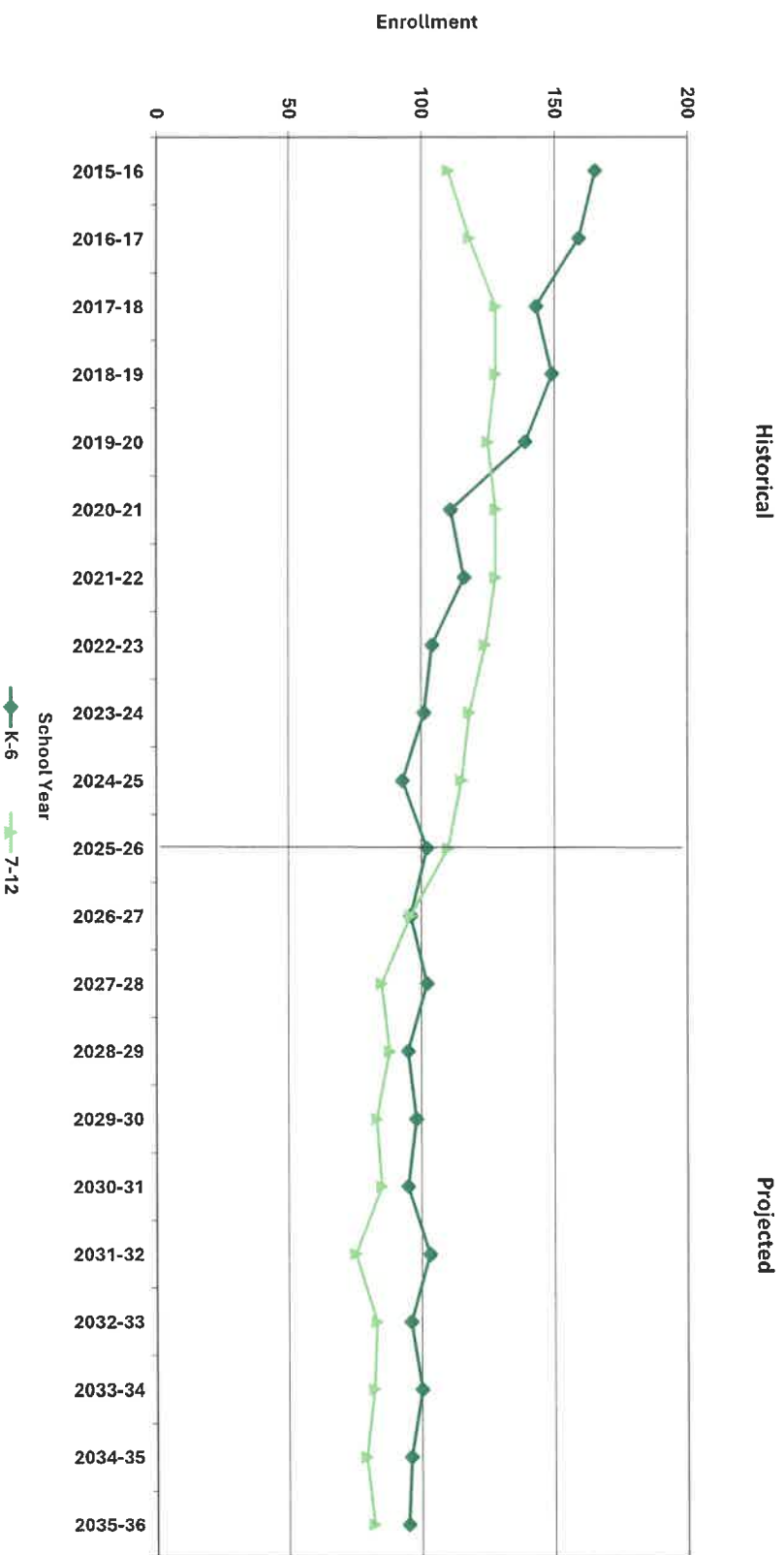


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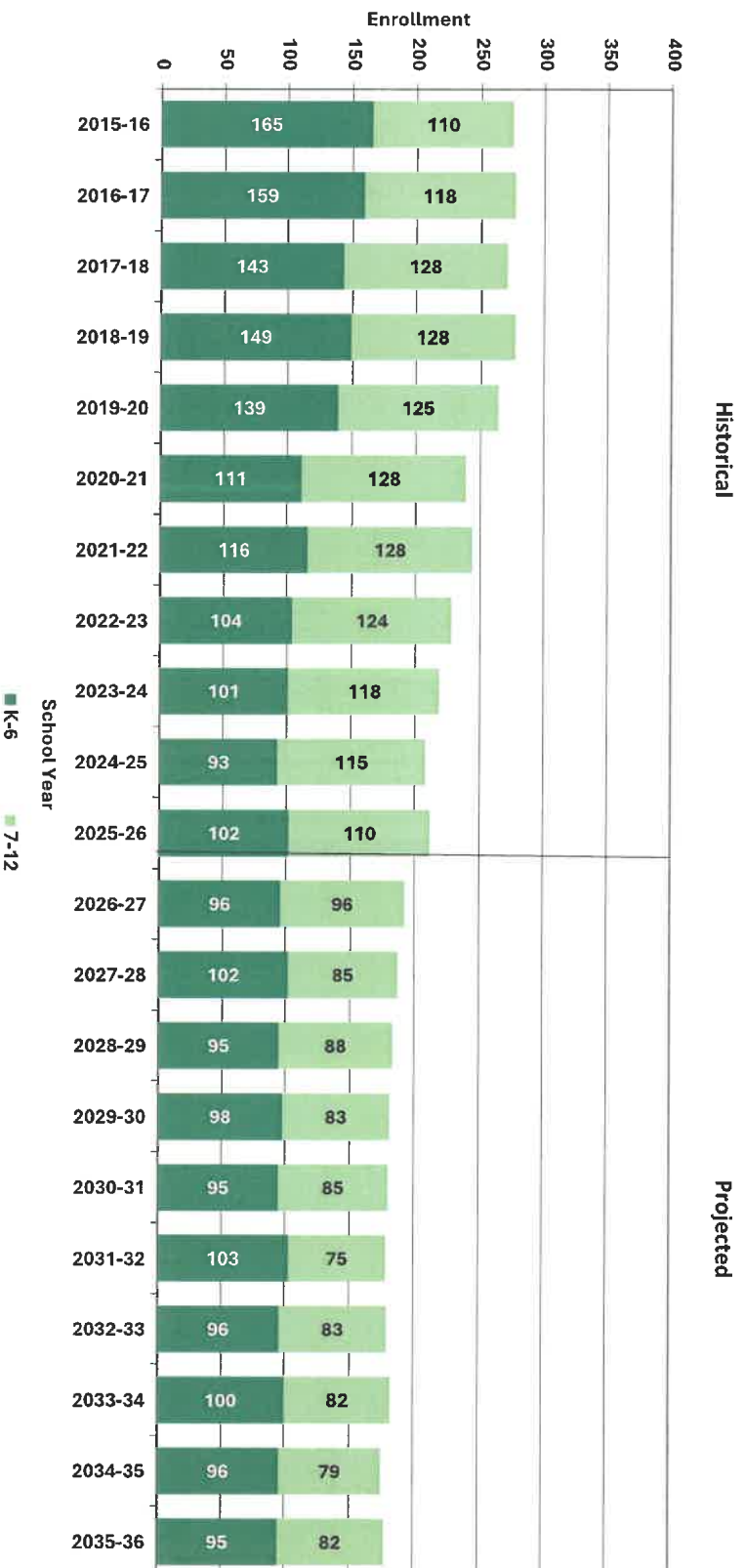


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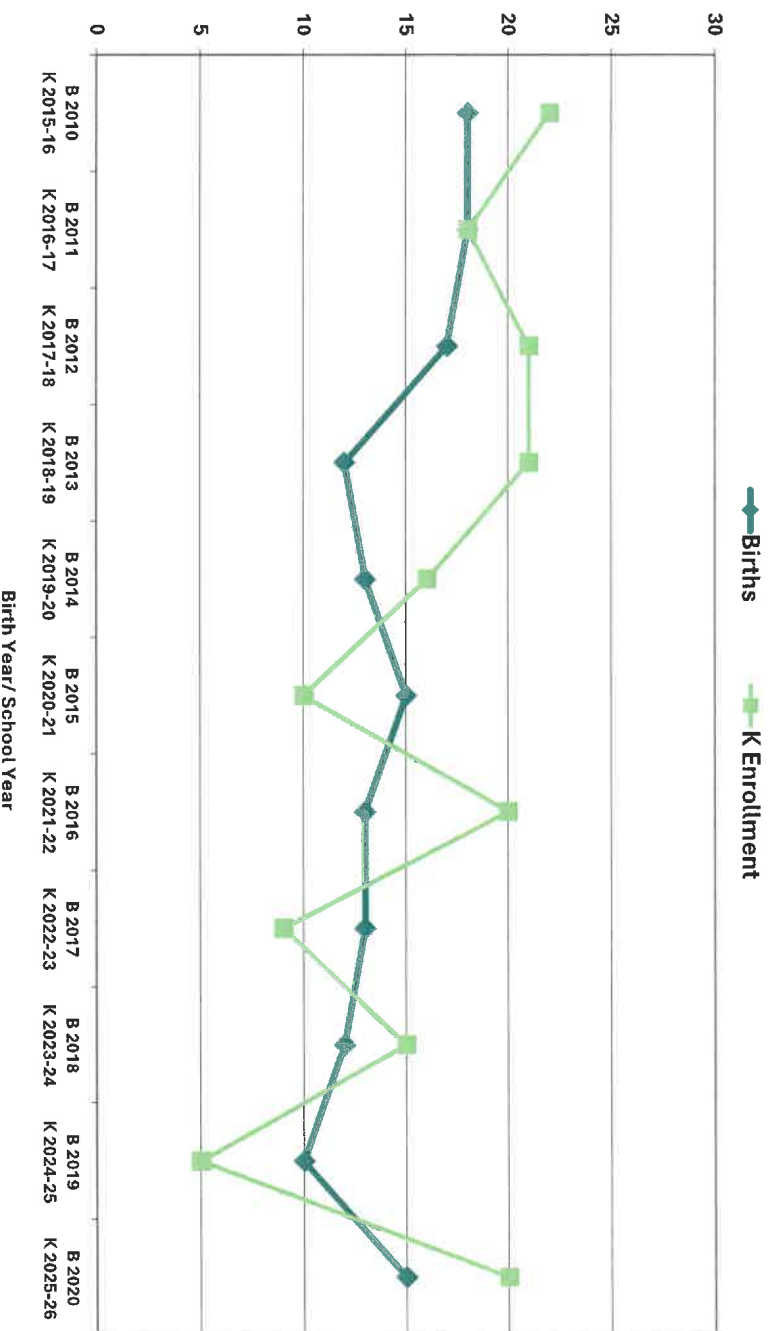


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School Year 2025-26 Enrollment Projection Report



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Births decreased by 3 from a previous ten-year average of 9 to a projected average of 6. As in most districts, Grades 1-8 are very stable in enrollments in Worcester, with an average increase of just 1 student per year over the past 8 years.

Over the next three years, Grades K-6 enrollments are projected to decrease by 12 students, and Grades 7-12 enrollments are projected to decrease by 2 students, as students move through the grades.

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Historical Enrollment

School District:

Washington Central USD - Worcester, VT

10/30/2025

Historical Enrollment By Grade																		
Birth Year	Births*	School Year	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	UNGR	K-12
2010	9	2015-16	8	9	11	13	10	9	9	9	11	9	10	12	10	8	0	130
2011	9	2016-17	10	8	10	10	12	10	8	9	12	9	9	10	13	10	0	130
2012	7	2017-18	16	5	8	11	9	13	11	7	10	11	10	10	8	13	0	126
2013	12	2018-19	15	10	6	8	11	9	13	13	8	9	12	10	9	8	0	126
2014	7	2019-20	17	9	11	7	9	12	10	12	11	10	11	12	8	8	0	130
2015	9	2020-21	12	8	7	12	5	7	10	10	14	12	9	10	12	8	0	124
2016	6	2021-22	12	10	9	7	12	5	7	12	11	13	13	9	11	8	0	127
2017	11	2022-23	12	13	9	8	6	13	5	6	13	12	13	12	9	10	0	129
2018	10	2023-24	10	8	10	9	8	5	13	5	7	13	10	13	13	5	0	119
2019	6	2024-25	10	8	8	11	10	8	6	12	5	8	14	9	11	12	0	122
2020	6	2025-26	4	7	4	8	9	12	10	7	10	7	9	14	11	12	< 10**	121

*Birth data provided by Public Health Vital Records Departments in each state.

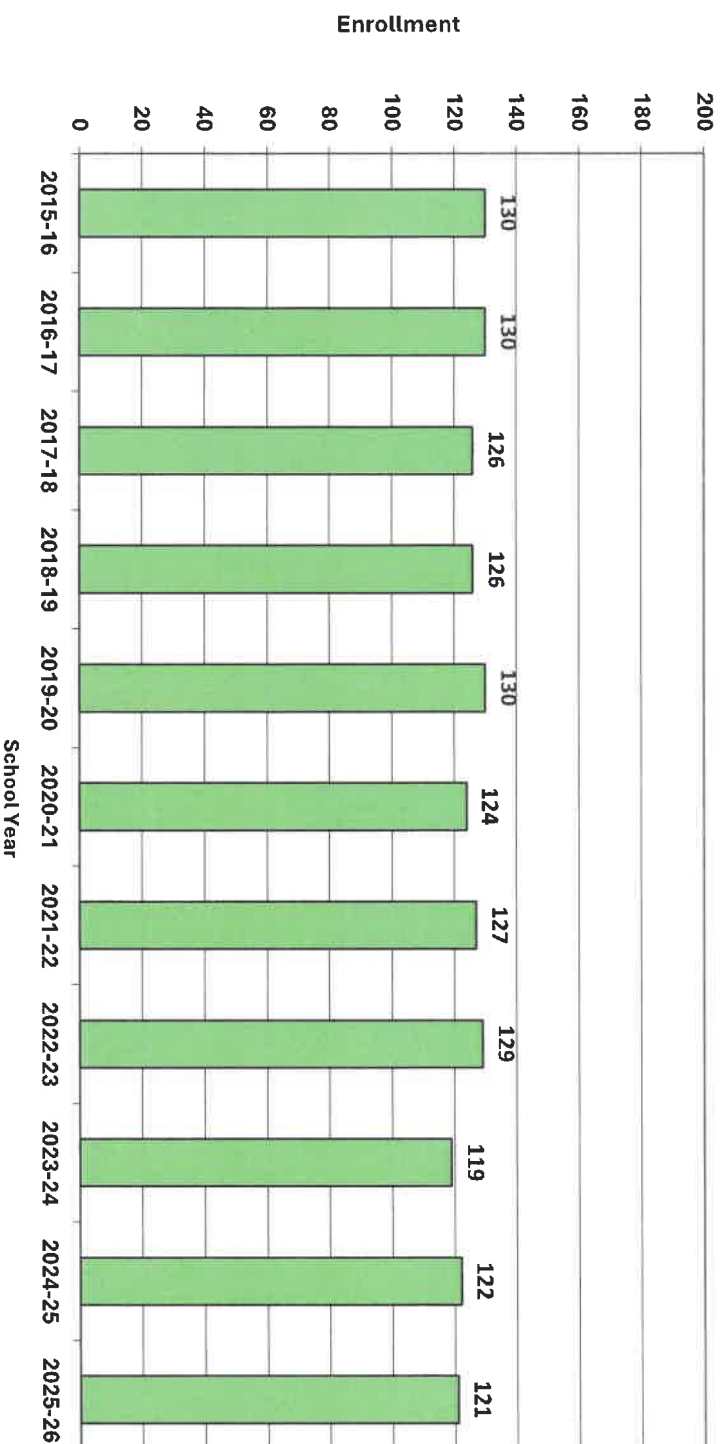
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Historical Enrollment in Grade Combinations									
School Year	PK-6	K-6	K-3	4-6	6-8	K-8	PK-8	7-8	7-12
2015-16	78	70	43	27	29	90	98	20	60
2016-17	77	67	40	27	30	88	98	21	63
2017-18	80	64	33	31	28	85	101	21	62
2018-19	85	70	35	35	30	87	102	17	56
2019-20	87	70	36	34	33	91	108	21	60
2020-21	71	59	32	27	36	85	97	26	65
2021-22	74	62	38	24	36	86	98	24	65
2022-23	72	60	36	24	31	85	97	25	69
2023-24	68	58	35	23	25	78	88	20	61
2024-25	73	63	37	26	25	76	86	13	59
2025-26	61	57	28	29	24	74	78	17	63

Historical Percentage Changes			
School Year	K-12	Diff.	%
2015-16	130		
2016-17	130	0	0.0%
2017-18	126	-4	-3.1%
2018-19	126	0	0.0%
2019-20	130	4	3.2%
2020-21	124	-6	-4.6%
2021-22	127	3	2.4%
2022-23	129	2	1.6%
2023-24	119	-10	-7.8%
2024-25	122	3	2.5%
2025-26	121	-1	-0.8%
Change		-9	-6.9%



Grades K-12 Historical Enrollment





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Enrollment Projections By Grade*																			
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2020	6	2025-26	4	7	4	8	9	12	10	7	10	7	9	14	11	12	<10**	121	125
2021	4	2026-27	4	4	6	4	8	9	14	10	7	12	7	9	15	9	<10**	115	119
2022	5	2027-28	4	6	3	6	4	8	10	14	10	8	12	7	9	13	<10**	111	115
2023	7	2028-29	4	8	5	3	6	4	9	10	14	12	8	12	7	8	<10**	107	111
2024	6	2029-30	4	6	6	5	3	6	5	9	10	17	12	8	12	6	<10**	106	110
2025	6	2030-31	5	6	5	6	5	3	7	5	9	12	17	12	8	10	<10**	106	111
2026	5	2031-32	5	6	5	5	6	5	3	7	5	11	12	16	12	7	<10**	101	106
2027	6	2032-33	5	6	5	5	5	6	6	3	7	6	11	12	17	10	<10**	100	105
2028	6	2033-34	5	6	5	5	5	5	7	6	3	8	6	11	12	15	<10**	95	100
2029	6	2034-35	6	6	5	5	5	5	7	7	6	4	8	6	11	10	<10**	85	91
2030	6	2035-36	6	6	5	5	5	5	6	6	7	7	4	8	6	9	<10**	80	86

Note: Ungraded students (UNGR) often are high school students whose anticipated years of graduation are unknown, or students with special needs - UNGR not included in Grade Combinations for 7-12, 9-12, etc.

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Based on children already born
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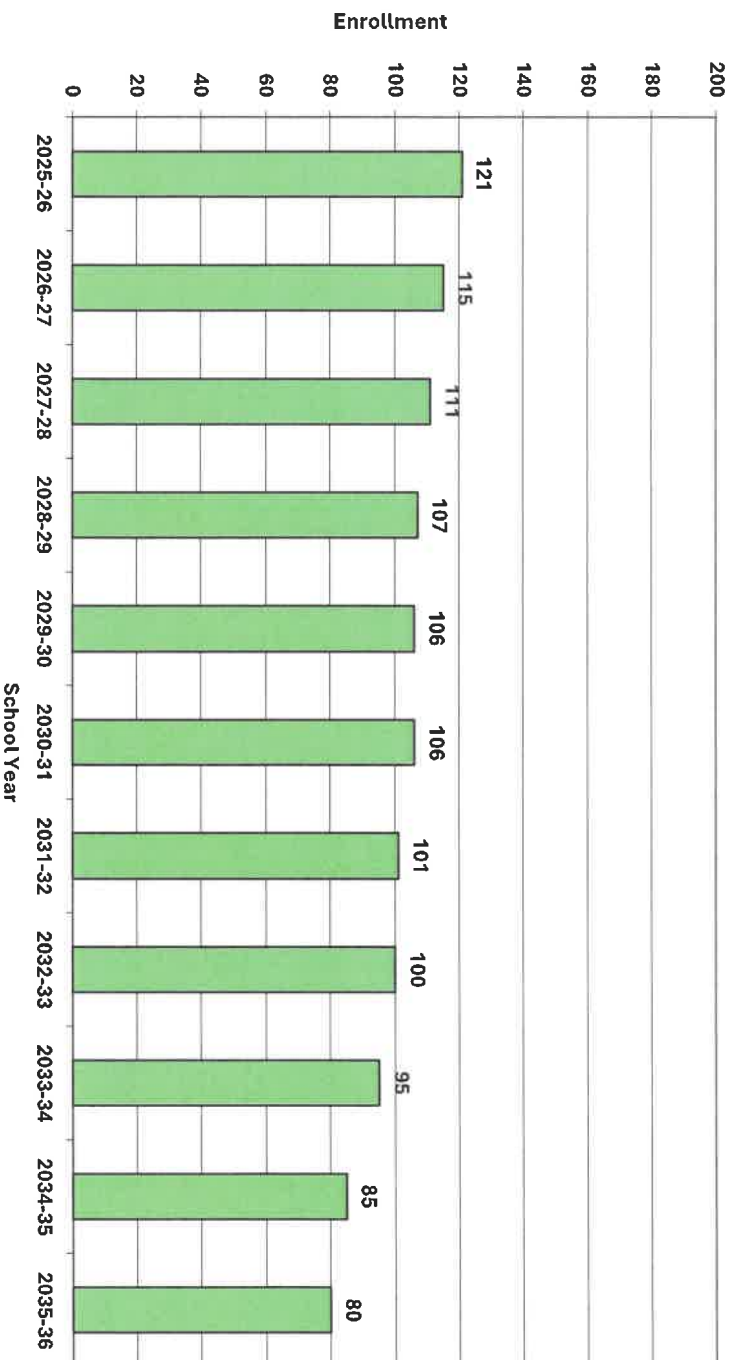
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2026-27	55	55	22	33	29	74	78	19	40
2027-28	51	51	19	32	32	69	73	18	41
2028-29	49	45	22	23	36	71	75	26	35
2029-30	44	40	20	20	36	67	71	27	38
2030-31	42	37	22	15	26	58	63	21	47
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2032-33	41	36	21	15	16	49	54	13	63
2033-34	44	39	21	18	17	50	55	11	55
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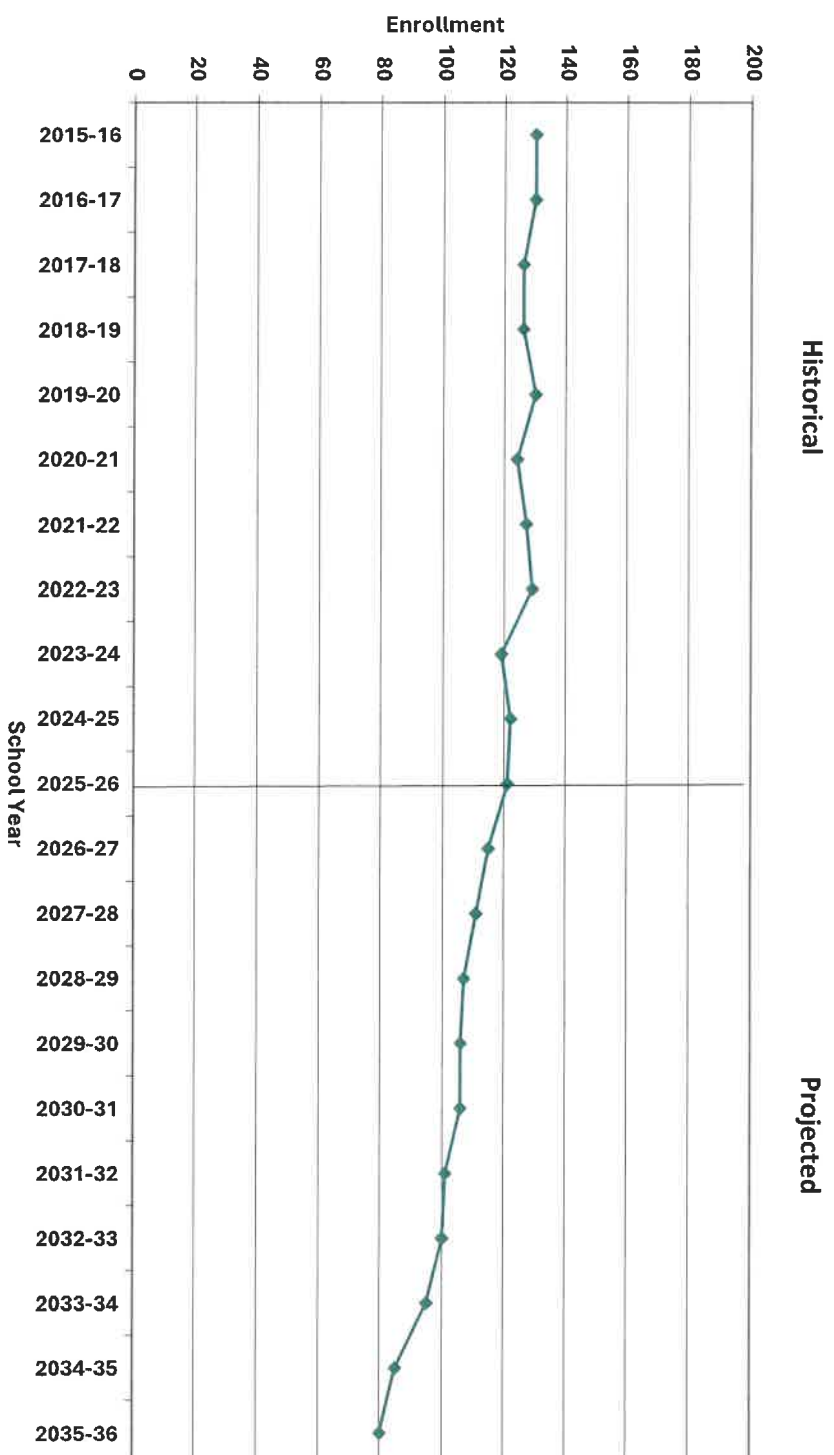


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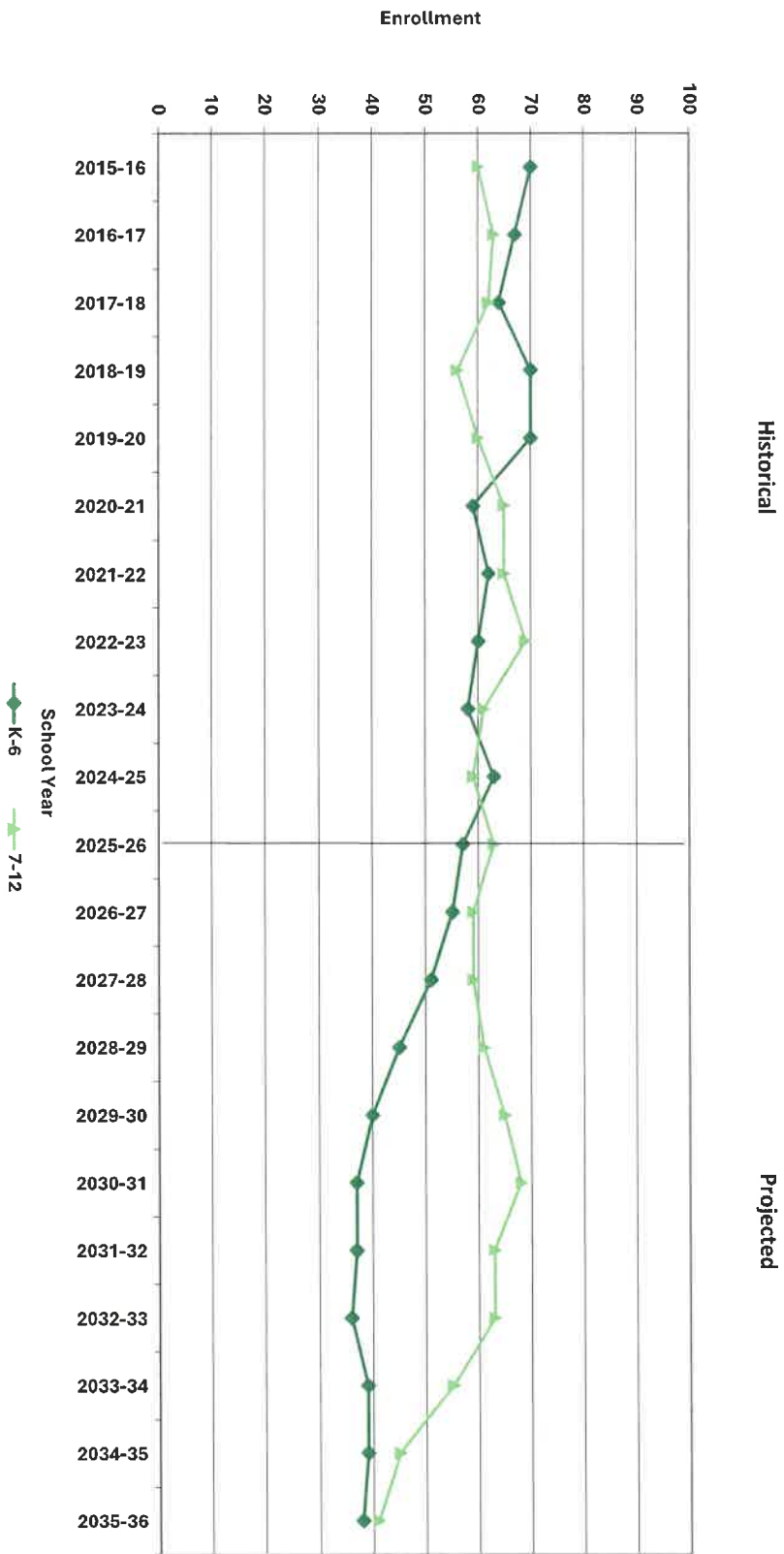


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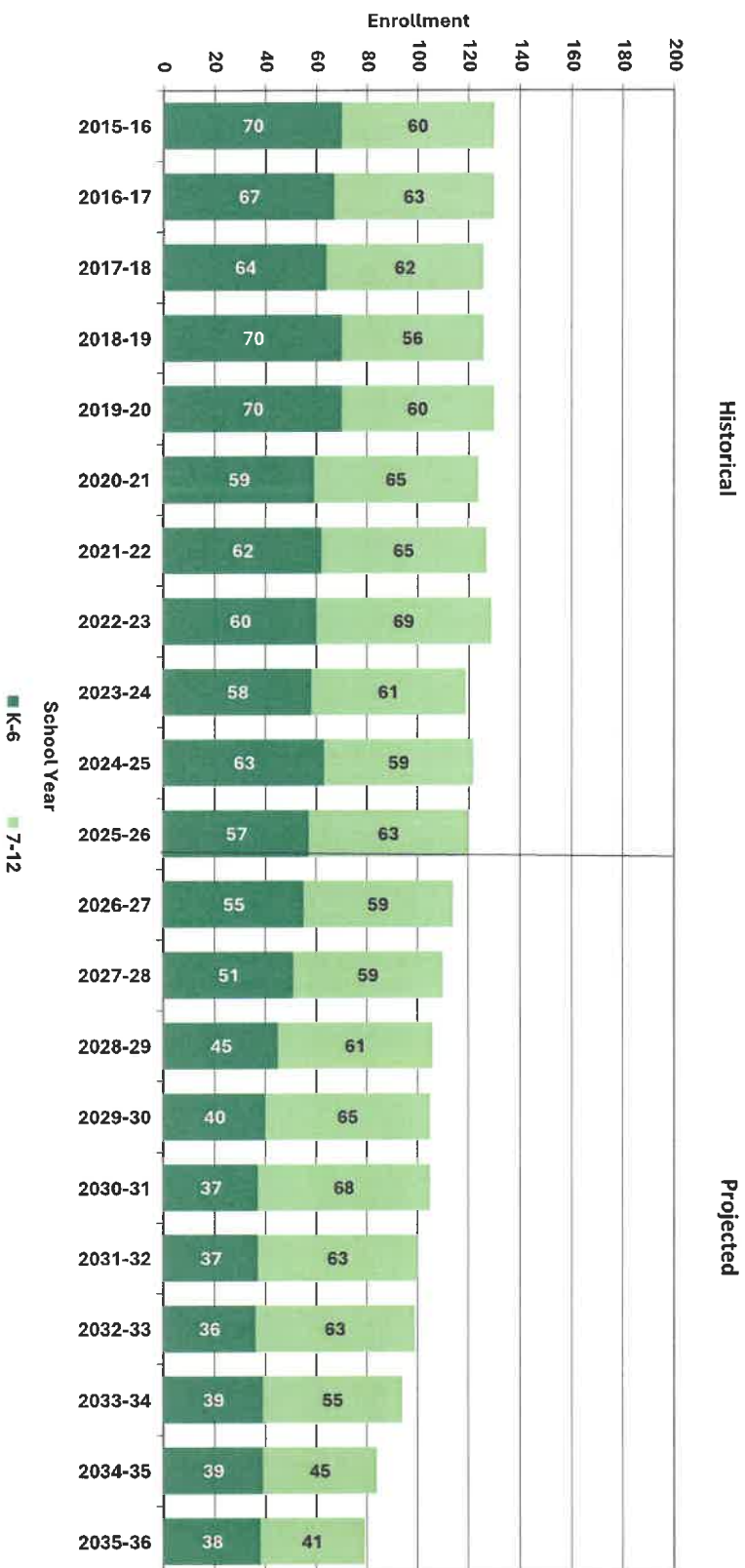


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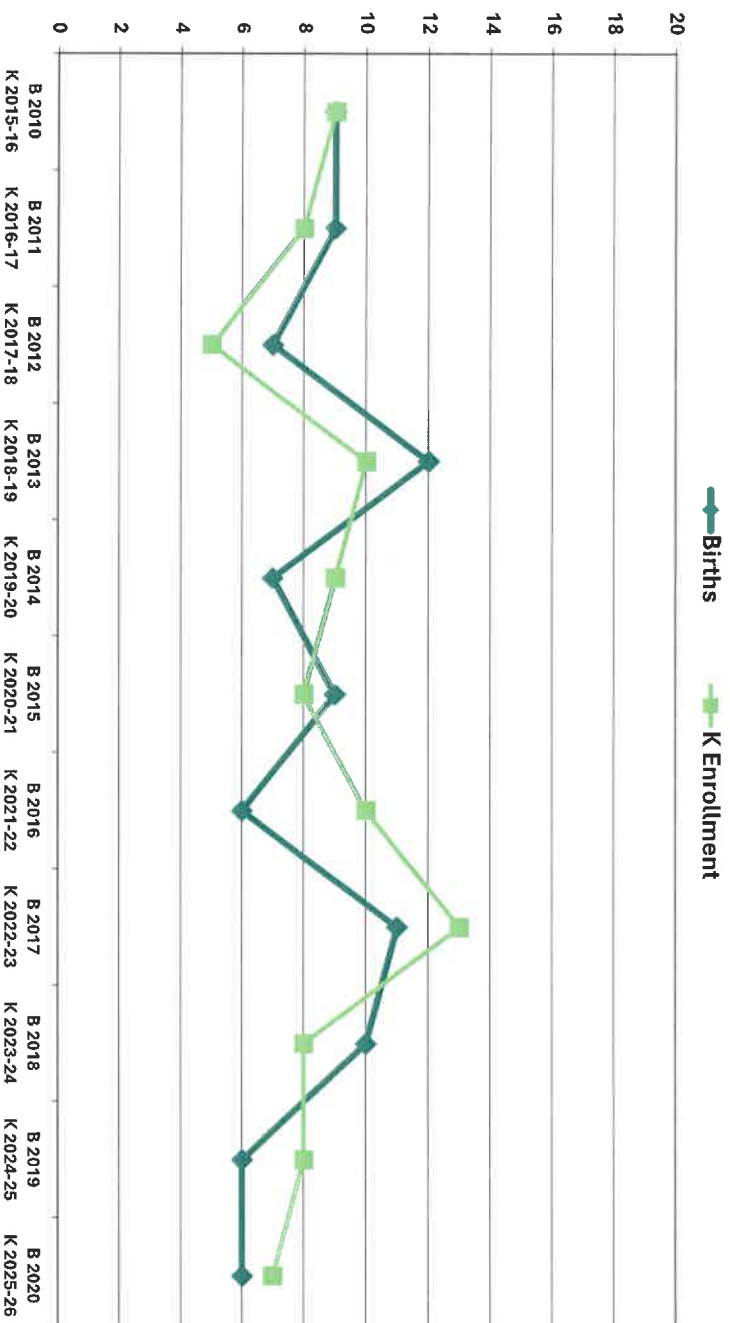


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