



## Certified Enrollments: October 2020 vs. October 2019 and Potential Impact on the FY 2022 Budget Guarantee Amount

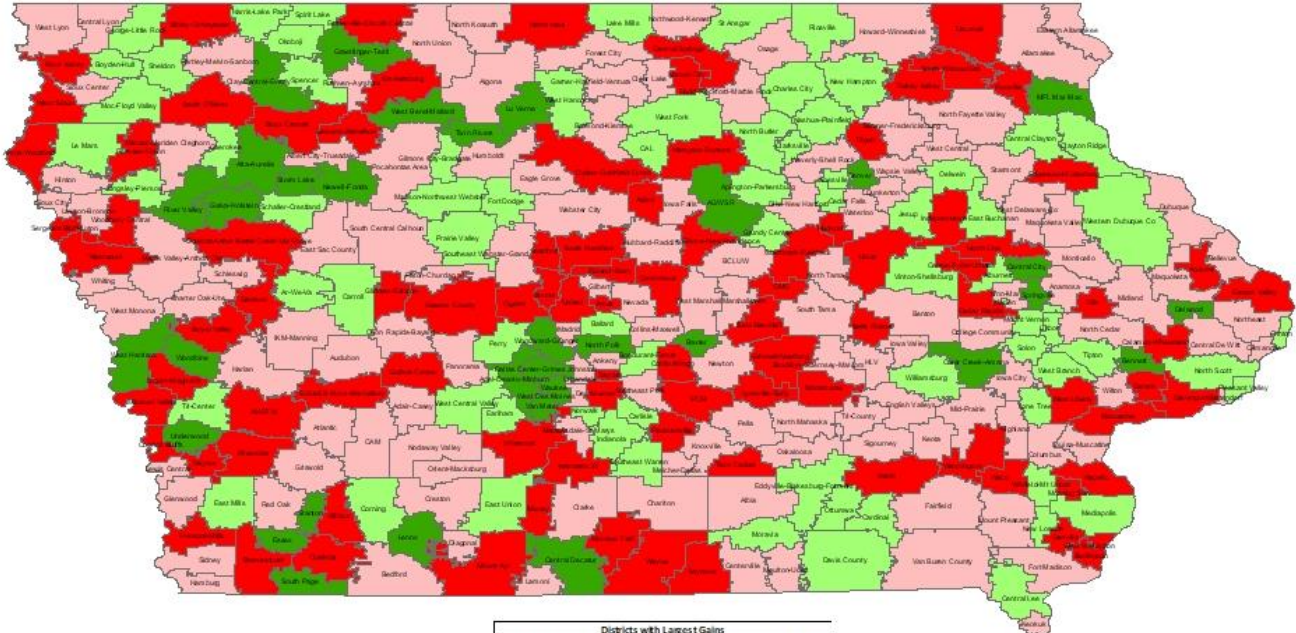
The Iowa Department of Education released the certified enrollment counts from this past October. With this new data, IASB has updated the following enrollment data tools:

- [Certified Enrollment Comparison Tool](#): Provides current and historical data on certified enrollments including enrollment trend data for each of the variables included in the certified enrollment file. Additionally, this tool allows for comparison between districts on the various elements included in the certified enrollment.

The following map provides the percentage change in certified enrollment from the October 2019 count to the October 2020 count ([please click here or on the map for a larger version](#)). Of the 327 school districts, 107 districts (32.7%) had an increase in enrollment, 215 districts (67.3%) had a decrease or no increase (five districts had no change in enrollment). Overall, total enrollment decreased by 5,935.9 (-1.2%). [Click here for enrollment data of all districts](#). The steep enrollment decrease stops the trend of statewide enrollment increases and is likely the result of parental enrollment decisions related to the COVID-19 pandemic.



## Iowa Association of School Boards Change in Certified Enrollments: October 2020 versus October 2019



### Legend

#### Percentage Change in Certified Enrollments

- -9.1% to -2.5% (93 Districts)
- -2.4% to 0.0% (127 Districts)
- 0.1% to 2.5% (74 Districts)
- 2.6% to 10.1% (33 Districts)

Districts with Largest Gains			
District	% Increase	District	# Increase
Stanton	10.1%	Waukegan	293.3
Delwood	9.5%	Clear Creek Amana	135.7
Clay Central Everly	9.0%	Pleasant Valley	115.8
Lu Verne	8.4%	Dallas Center Grimes	96.6
West Bond Mollard	6.0%	Cedar Falls	85.0

Districts with Largest Losses			
District	% Increase	District	# Increase
Morning Sun	9.1%	Des Moines	(885.2)
United	7.8%	Cedar Rapids	(614.7)
Wayne	7.4%	Davenport	(459.9)
Andlow	7.4%	Iowa City	(287.8)
Guthrie Center	7.0%	Waterloo	(238.9)

Total Enrollment	484,158.5
Total Change	(5,935.9)
Median Enrollment	676.6
Median Change	-6.8
Median % Change	-0.9%

Sources:  
Iowa Department of Education, Certified Enrollment files  
IASB analysis and calculations

The following table and chart show the overall enrollment changes by enrollment category. Of note:

- All enrollment categories had a decrease in total enrollments.
- The 2,500 to 7,499 enrollment category had half their districts with an enrollment increase and half with an enrollment decrease.
- All other enrollment categories had more districts with an enrollment decrease than an enrollment increase.

**Certified Enrollment Changes by Enrollment Category: October 2020 versus October 2019**

Enrollment Category	Oct. 2019 Enrollment	Oct. 2020 Enrollment	Enr. Change	Districts with a Decrease		Districts with an Increase	
				# of Districts	Enr. Change	# of Districts	Enr. Change
<500	34,064.0	33,780.1	-283.9	62	-645.9	34	362.0
500-749	47,676.9	47,051.0	-625.9	53	-841.5	24	215.6
750-999	32,949.4	32,610.3	-339.1	25	-501.2	13	162.1
1,000-2,499	111,929.9	110,929.9	-1,000.0	52	-1,463.4	23	463.4
2,500-7,499	98,398.6	97,978.0	-420.6	12	-1,161.9	12	741.3
7,500 and up	165,075.6	161,809.2	-3,266.4	11	-3,559.7	1	293.3
<b>State Enrollment</b>	<b>490,094.4</b>	<b>484,158.5</b>	<b>(5,935.9)</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>-8,173.6</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>2,237.7</b>

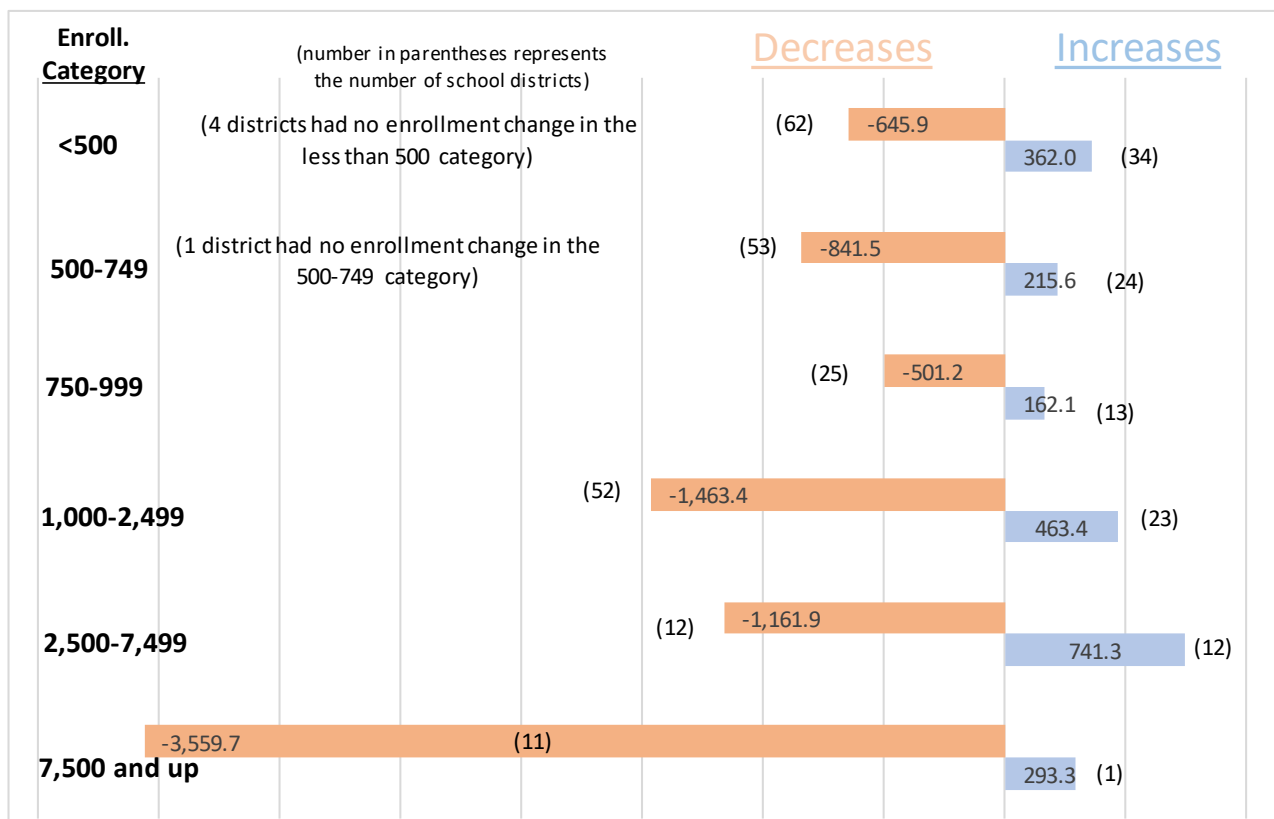
Note: Five districts had no change in enrollment between 2019 and 2020 (4 districts in the < 500 category and 1 district in the 500-749 category).

Sources:

Iowa Department of Education, Certified Enrollment file

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**Enrollment Changes By Enrollment Category: October 2020 versus October 2019**



## FY 2022 Budget Guarantee Implications

In prior Data Boost publications, information has been provided regarding the budget guarantee, and the impact of certified enrollments and Supplemental Aid has on it.

- 12/4/2020: [Budget Guarantee – How It Works and the Potential Impact on FY 2022](#)
- 7/2/2020: [FY 2021 Budget Guarantee Information](#)

The FY 2022 Supplemental State Aid (SSA) state percent of growth rate will be set in the upcoming legislative session. The following table shows the estimated statewide budget guarantee amounts at different SSA state percent of growth rates. To see an estimate of your district’s budget guarantee amount, check out the [SSA/New Money Calculator](#). Note that budget guarantee is funded entirely through local property taxes and requires adoption of a board resolution prior to budget certification.

<b>Estimated Impact of FY 2022 SSA State Percent of Growth Rate on Budget Guarantee</b>					
<b>SSA - State Percent of Growth Rate</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>3.0%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>
Budget Guarantee Amount	\$ 85,152,944	\$ 58,543,722	\$ 35,170,628	\$ 18,062,891	\$ 7,292,684
Number of Districts Eligible For Budget Guarantee	256	220	163	118	76
% of Districts Eligible for Budget Guarantee	78.3%	67.3%	49.8%	36.1%	23.2%