

# Differences between the Oregon "dropout rate" and the "graduation rate"

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## 2011-12 Dropouts from Grades 9-12 (4 YRS.)

<http://www.ode.state.or.us/search/page/?id=1>

| Resident District Name | Sub Group | Fall Membership | Dropout count | Dropout Percent |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Portland SD            | Tot       | 13044           | 440           | 3.37            |
| Portland SD            | M         | 6694            | 234           | 3.50            |
| Portland SD            | F         | 6350            | 206           | 3.24            |
| Portland SD            | TAG       | 2123            | 12            | 0.57            |
| Portland SD            | WOTAG     | 10921           | 428           | 3.92            |

| Definitions |         |
|-------------|---------|
| Tot         | Total   |
| M           | Male    |
| F           | Female  |
| TAG         | TAG     |
| WOTAG       | Non-TAG |

A dropout is a student who withdrew from school and did not graduate or transfer to another school that leads to graduation. Dropouts do not include students who:

- are deceased.
- are being home schooled,
- are enrolled in an alternative school or hospital education program,
- are enrolled in a juvenile detention facility,
- are enrolled in a foreign exchange program,
- are temporarily absent because of suspension, a family emergency, or severe health problems that prevent attendance at school,
- received a GED certificate,
- received an adult high school diploma from a community college.

## 2011-12 Four-year Cohort Graduation Rate Published January 31, 2013

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| District Name | Sub Group | Unadjusted Cohort from 2008-09 to 2011-12 | Transfer Out to Another State / Country / Private School / Homeschool | Deceased | Adjusted Cohort from 2008-09 to 2011-12 | Regular High School Diploma | 2011-12 Four-year Cohort Grad Rate (Reg Diploma / Adjusted Cohort) | Other Completers |                  |                  |     | Non-Graduates                           |                         | Non-Completers<br>Students who either:<br>dropped out or completed 4 years of High School but did not graduate and did not enroll in 2012-13 |     |
|---------------|-----------|---|---|----------|---|-----------------------------|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----|---|-------------------------|--|-----|
|               |           |   |   |          |   |                             |  | Adult HS Diploma | Modified Diploma | Extended Diploma | GED | 2011-12 Four-year Cohort Completer Rate | Alternative Certificate |  |     |
| Portland SD   | Tot       | 3741                                      | 340   | 1        | 3400                                    | 2145                        | 63.09  | 11               | 66               | 2                | 273 | 73.44                                   | 15                      | 386  | 502 |
| Portland SD   | M         | 1949                                      | 186   | 0        | 1763                                    | 1033                        | 58.59  | 5                | 38               | 1                | 155 | 69.88                                   | 11                      | 237  | 283 |
| Portland SD   | F         | 1792                                      | 154   | 1        | 1637                                    | 1112                        | 67.93  | 6                | 28               | 1                | 118 | 77.28                                   | 4                       | 149  | 219 |

### Some clarifications from the ODE "Dropout Manual."

<http://www.ode.state.or.us/data/research/dropoutmanual.pdf>

The following are examples of dropouts. This is a list of some of the most often occurring incidences of dropping out. There are many others that are not listed here as examples.

- The student left school without notice and cannot be located.
- The student withdrew from a district-sponsored alternative program.
- The student moved with a migrant family within the U.S. and is not known to be in school.
- The student moved to another district or state and is not known to be in school.
- The student was suspended or expelled and did not return to school when scheduled to.
- The student was expelled and did not enroll in the alternative education program that was offered.
- The student reported for active duty in military service before receiving a high school diploma or GED.
- The student withdrew from home schooling and did not register with the ESD.
- The student was sent back from home schooling by the ESD and did not re-enroll.
- The student withdrew near the end of the school year before full credit for classes was awarded.
- The student withdrew from a GED recapture program without earning a GED.
- The student left to enroll independently in an alternative education program.

### Transfers out of Oregon public schools within the U.S. (that meet the following are NOT dropouts)

- \* The student transferred to another school that leads to graduation in another state or a private school system, and a record request is received.
- \* The student moved, and enrollment is verified by contact with the student's new school located in another state or a private school system.

Dropout count over 4 yrs is 440, so there may be ~110 included.

Dropouts are some part of these non-grads.