

**Voluntary Prekindergarten Estimating Conference**  
**Executive Summary**  
**August 5, 2010 - Updated**

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The Voluntary Prekindergarten Estimating Conference reviewed actual 2008-09 and 2009-10 school year and 2009 summer data through June 30, 2010. Based on these data and a downward adjustment for immigration of Haitians due to the January 2010 earthquake, the conference adopted revised estimated and forecasted fiscal year enrollments and full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment for the Voluntary Prekindergarten Program (VPK) for 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13 and 2013-14.

While the new forecast appears to contain significant downward adjustments, an apparent shift in parental preference between the summer and school year programs has moved students between fiscal years, somewhat distorting what otherwise would have been modest adjustments. The revised fiscal year FTEs are as follows:

<b>Actual, Estimated and Forecasted FTE Student Enrollment for the VPK Program</b>			
Fiscal Year	Change	August 5, 2010 Estimate/Forecast	March 8, 2010 Estimate/Forecast
2007-08 Actual	0.00	118,960.41	118,960.41
2008-09 Actual	-0.22	132,891.2	132,891.45
2009-10 Estimate	-895.86	142,317.38	143,213.24
2010-11 Forecast	-3,413.87	148,693.85	152,107.72
2011-12 Forecast	-2,941.97	153,601.29	156,543.26
2012-13 Forecast	-436.81	157,027.53	157,464.34
2013-14 Forecast	-437.60	158,678.44	159,116.04

Updated data used for the revised estimates and forecasts are:

1. 2008-09 school year and summer data through June 30, 2010 (actual).
2. 2009-10 school year data through June 30, 2010 (actual except for reconciliation).
3. Reported enrollment and paid hours reported for 2009-10 summer program through June 30, 2010.

The estimated population aged four was not revised.

For the 2008-09 program year, it is estimated that 63.46% of eligible four year olds participated in the VPK program. The participation rate is estimated to increase to 67.24% for the 2009-10 program year and is anticipated to reach 75% by the 2012-13 program year.

The assumptions for the forecasts through 2013-14 are:

1. The uniform attendance policy that began with the 2009-10 program year will have an insignificant impact upon FTE.
2. By 2012-13, 75% of the eligible 4-year olds will be participating in the program. The program will continue at the 75% participation level.
3. The estimate of 4-year olds and enrollment for the school-year 2010-11 were adjusted by 190 students for immigration of Haitians due to the recent earthquake.
4. Enrollment in the summer program expected to remain at 8,169, the estimate of summer 2010 enrollment, throughout the forecast time period. Round-up calculations for summers 2010 through 2014 are only included for districts that were eligible for round-up during summer 2010.
5. The relationship of FTE to enrollment for 2009-10 through 2013-14 will remain at the 2008-09 school year and 2009 summer levels.

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# Input Data and Forecast Assumptions

<b>Comparison of Input Data and Forecast Assumptions</b>		
<b>March 8' 2010 and August 5, 2010 Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Estimating Conferences</b>		
	March 8, 2010 Conference	August 5, 2010 Conference
VPK Enrollment and FTE – School Year Program 2008-2009	Reported data through January 2010: (actual except for reconciliation) Enrollment: 137,643 FTE: 123,413.41 FTE to Enrollment: 89.66%	Reported data Enrollment: 137,637 FTE: 123,414.05 FTE to Enrollment: 89.67%
VPK Enrollment and FTE – 2009 Summer Program	Reported data through January 2010 (actual except for reconciliation) May/June 2009 (includes round-up): Enrollment: 9,763 FTE: 3,684.48 FTE to Enrollment: 37.74%  July/August 2009: Enrollment: 9,623 FTE: 5,785.34 FTE to Enrollment: 60.12%  Summer 2009: Enrollment: 10,116 FTE: (may not add due to rounding):9,469.82 FTE to Enrollment: 93.61%	Reported data May/June 2009 (includes round-up): Enrollment: 9,760 FTE: 3,683.62 FTE to Enrollment: 37.74%  July/August 2009: Enrollment: 9,622 FTE: 5,784.98 FTE to Enrollment: 60.12%  Summer 2009: Enrollment: 10,115 FTE: (may not add due to rounding):9,468.64 FTE to Enrollment: 93.61%
VPK Summer Round-up	Actual summer round-up (FTE) based on 51 districts offering summer program in 2009 (actual except for reconciliation). May/June 2009 round-up: 129.49 July/August 2009 round-up: 202.62 Total summer round-up: 332.11	Actual summer round-up (FTE) based on 51 districts offering summer program in 2009 (actual except for reconciliation). May/June 2009 round-up: 129.48 July/August 2009 round-up: 202.64 Total summer round-up: 332.12
VPK Enrollment and FTE – School Year Program 2009-2010	Reported data through January 2010: Enrollment: 145,333	Reported data through June 2010: Enrollment: 148,274 FTE: 134,051.01 FTE to Enrollment 90.41%
VPK Enrollment and FTE – 2010 Summer Program	Projected summer enrollment: Enrollment: 10,280  May/June 2010: Enrollment: 9,917  July/August 2010: Enrollment: 9,772	Reported data through June 2010 :  May/June 2010 (includes round-up): Enrollment: 7,592 FTE: 2,386.01 FTE to Enrollment: 31.43%  Estimated summer: Enrollment: 8,169  Estimated July/August 2010: Enrollment: 7,793
	Estimates based on January 2010 Demographic Estimating Conference. October 1, 2008: 232,811 October 1, 2009: 232,118	Estimates based on January 2010 Demographic Estimating Conference. October 1, 2008: 232,811 October 1, 2009: 232,118
<b>ASSUMPTIONS</b>		
Attendance Policy	Implementation began with the 2009-10 School Year.	Implementation began with the 2009-10 School Year.
Population Participation	Reach 75% participation by 2011-12.	Reach 75% participation by 2012-13.
Summer Growth	Growth has stabilized and is expected to remain at 10,000 enrollment for the forecast years.	Summer enrollment will remain at the estimated 2010 level.
Summer Providers	Assumed that only districts that offered summer 2009 will offer summer programs in the future and will be the only counties eligible for forecasted summer round-up.	Assumed that only districts that offered summer 2010 will offer summer programs in the future and will be the only counties eligible for forecasted summer round-up.
Relationship of Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Enrollment to Enrollment	Constant relationship based on 2008-09 school year and 2009 summer programs.	Constant relationship based on 2008-09 school year and 2009 summer programs.
Haitian Immigration	Based on K-12 estimates, an estimated 830 4-year olds may enter the population for summer 2010 and school year 2010-11. A percentage of these 4-year olds were included in the analysis, (280 students for summer 2010 and 300 students for school year 2010-11).	Based on K-12 estimates, an estimated 539 4-year olds may enter the population for summer 2010 and school year 2010-11. A percentage of these 4-year olds were included in the analysis, (190 students for school year 2010-11). No students were added to summer 2010, as they should be reflected in the reported data.

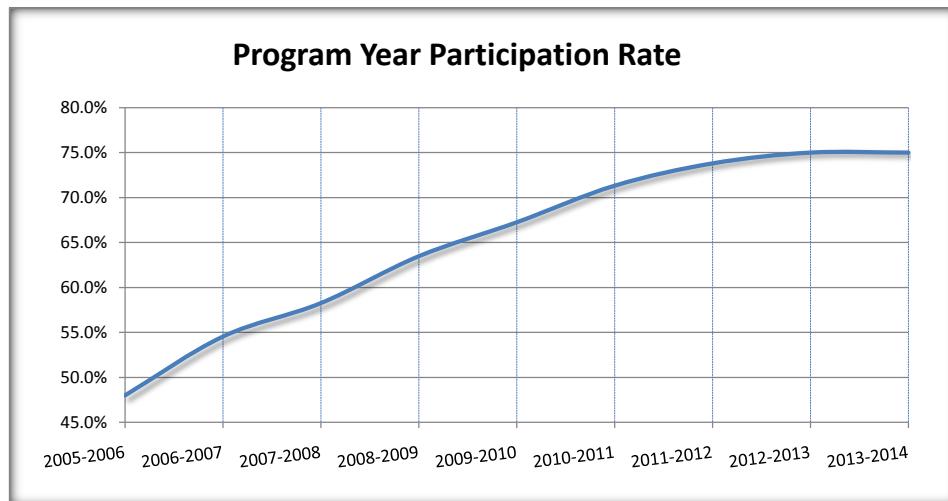
## Growth and Participation Rates with Haitian Immigration

**Table A**

Year	Population	Population Growth Rate	Program Year Enrollment	Program Year Enrollment Growth Rate	School Year Enrollment	School Year Enrollment Growth Rate	Summer Enrollment	Summer Enrollment Growth Rate	May / June Summer	July / August Summer
2005-2006	221,924		106,479		94,011		12,468		12,233	11,424
2006-2007	226,632	2.1%	123,567	16.0%	113,253	20.5%	10,314	-17.3%	10,105	9,767
2007-2008	231,280	2.1%	134,717	9.0%	125,141	10.5%	9,576	-7.2%	9,242	9,259
2008-2009	232,811	0.7%	147,752	9.7%	137,637	10.0%	10,115	5.6%	9,760	9,622
2009-2010	232,657	-0.1%	156,443	5.9%	148,274	7.7%	8,169	-19.2%	7,904	7,793
2010-2011	232,629	0.0%	165,902	6.0%	157,733	6.4%	8,169	0.0%	7,904	7,793
2011-2012	232,173	-0.2%	171,344	3.3%	163,175	3.5%	8,169	0.0%	7,904	7,793
2012-2013	233,541	0.6%	175,156	2.2%	166,987	2.3%	8,169	0.0%	7,904	7,793
2013-2014	235,995	1.1%	176,996	1.1%	168,827	1.1%	8,169	0.0%	7,904	7,793

**Table B**

Year	Program Year Enrollment	Program Year Enrollment Growth Rate	School Year	School Year Enrollment Growth Rate	Fiscal Year Enrollment	Fiscal Year Enrollment Growth Rate	Program Year Participation Rate
2005-2006	106,479		94,011				48.0%
2006-2007	123,567	16.0%	113,253	20.5%	134,782		54.5%
2007-2008	134,717	9.0%	125,141	10.5%	144,150	7.0%	58.2%
2008-2009	147,752	9.7%	137,637	10.0%	156,656	8.7%	63.5%
2009-2010	156,443	5.9%	148,274	7.7%	165,800	5.8%	67.2%
2010-2011	165,902	6.0%	157,733	6.4%	173,430	4.6%	71.3%
2011-2012	171,344	3.3%	163,175	3.5%	178,872	3.1%	73.8%
2012-2013	175,156	2.2%	166,987	2.3%	182,684	2.1%	75.0%
2013-2014	176,996	1.1%	168,827	1.1%	184,524	1.0%	75.0%





**Estimated  
&  
Forecast Tables**





















# Historical Tables

















# Terminology

<b>Terminology</b>	
Enrollment	Headcount of students in a program; unduplicated state and duplicated counties.
Fiscal Year	July 1 - June 30 (Includes part of summer enrollment from two program years).
Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Enrollment	One Full-Time Equivalent Enrollment represents one child enrolled for the entire program. FTE calculation is based on the number of hours paid divided by 540 or 300 depending on the child's program (either 540 for the School Year program or 300 for the summer program).
Participation Rate	Program Year enrollment divided by the estimated/forecasted October 1, population of 4-year olds.
Program Year	Includes the VPK School Year and Summer Programs based on eligibility as determined by date of birth.
Public School Round-up	The public school FTE enrollment round-up refers to adding enrollment to public school FTE enrollment if the level of enrollment is not a multiple of 12 for summer 2009 and beyond and a multiple of 10 for summers 2007 and 2008.
School Year	540 hour VPK Program that runs from July/August (varies by county) until May/June.
Summer	300 hour VPK Program that runs from May/June to July/August.
Summer - First Half	Portion of the 300 hour VPK Program that runs from May/June.
Summer - Second Half	Portion of the 300 hour VPK Program that runs from July/August.