

The average current expense cost in 1925 of educating a pupil in the schools of the twenty-three counties was \$48. Graded schools having three or more teachers with better trained teachers, more equipment, and expenditures for transportation cost less per pupil than rural schools having one or two teachers chiefly because the classes were larger. Transportation was provided at public expense for 8,600 pupils at a cost of 242,000.

Nearly three-fourths of the white high schools, two-fifths of the white elementary, and two-thirds of colored schools in the counties reported that they had parent-teacher associations organized in 1925.

The index number for judging educational efficiency based on five items which evaluate attendance and five which indicate public interest as proved by financial support of schools, continues to show improvement for Maryland. For 1925 it registers 77.9 points in the entire State and 65.0 in the twenty-three counties, including both white and colored schools. In 1918 the index number for Maryland was 43.2 points. The goal is 100.

1925 EDUCATIONAL INDEX NUMBER FOR MARYLAND

ALL SCHOOLS		WHITE SCHOOLS		COLORED SCHOOLS	
County	1925 Index Number	County	1925 Index Number	County	1925 Index Number
Allegany	*83.8	Allegany	*83.5	Allegany	*99.1
Baltimore	*80.1	Baltimore	*82.2	Washington	*56.4
Montgomery	*68.4	Montgomery	*76.9	Baltimore	*53.2
Harford	*67.2	Talbot	*74.1	Carroll	*46.3
Howard	*66.3	Howard	*73.9	Cecil	*45.5
Cecil	*65.3	Anne Arundel	*73.0	Frederick	*44.7
Frederick	*64.8	Queen Anne's	*71.3	Wicomico	*42.1
Washington	*64.3	Harford	*71.2	Caroline	*41.3
Anne Arundel	*63.4	Kent	*68.8	Somerset	*41.2
Queen Anne's	*63.1	Prince George's	*68.7	Anne Arundel	*39.0
Talbot	*63.1	Cecil	*67.6	Prince George's	*39.0
Carroll	*62.9	Frederick	*67.0	Kent	*38.3
Prince George's	*62.2	Calvert	*66.9	Talbot	*38.1
Garrett	*60.7	Worcester	*66.5	Worcester	*36.8
Caroline	*60.6	Caroline	*66.3	Dorchester	*36.7
Wicomico	*59.5	Somerset	*65.9	Queen Anne's	*36.1
Kent	*59.3	Wicomico	*64.9	Harford	*35.2
Somerset	*57.1	Washington	*64.3	Charles	*33.8
Worcester	*57.0	Dorchester	*63.8	Montgomery	*30.0
Dorchester	*55.8	Carroll	*63.6	Howard	*29.4
Calvert	*52.5	Garrett	*60.8	Calvert	*28.5
Charles	*48.7	Charles	*58.3	St. Mary's	*26.7
St. Mary's	*45.5	St. Mary's	*51.6	County Average	40.9
County Average	69.2	County Average	75.0		*40.5
	*65.3		*70.3	Baltimore City	82.8
Baltimore City	90.4	Baltimore City	92.1		*82.6
	*90.8		*92.5	State Average	57.7
State Average	77.9	State Average	81.8		*57.4
	*75.9		*79.4		

* For individual counties, in order to eliminate wide fluctuations from year to year, the average of capital outlay expenditures for the past four years was used instead of expenditures in 1925 only. For the last three items at the bottom of the columns, 1925 expenditures for capital outlay were used in computing the index numbers.

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