

# Section 4.

## Education

### Schools

A school is not just an education resource, but also a great social networking hub for the community. Enosburgh's school system, which includes an elementary school and a high school, ranks well on many indicators for Vermont schools (see Vermont School Report at <http://crs.uvm.edu/schlrpt/>).

Enosburgh Elementary School's total school enrollment in 2002 was 289, this drop in enrollment slightly more than the average variances for this recent data. The average class size in 2002 shows that Enosburgh Elementary has slightly higher class size compared to the state average. Special education enrollment is also higher than the state average. The student teacher ratio dropped significantly in 2002 to come closer to the state average.

**Table 4.1 – Enosburg Falls Elem. School (K-6): General School Information**

School Participation Information	1998-1999	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002	Vermont (most recent)
Total School Enrollment	316	320	316	289	100,867
Attendance Rate	94.7%	95.4%	95.5%	95.2%	94.7%
Retention Rate	1.9%	3.0%	5.9%	1.4%	2.3%
Average Class Size	20.3	20.4	16.5	17.1	16.6
Student/Teacher Ratio	15.9	16.0	14.3	12.7	11.4
Eligible Special Education	13.6%	12.5%	17.4%	18.0%	13.5%
Home Study (Number)	10	8	5	6	1,819

Table 4.2 shows that Enosburgh High School enrollment has decreased significantly in the past few years, while attendance rates are getting better. The retention rate in 2002 was significantly lower than the state level. The grades 9-12 dropout rate was 2.5% higher than the state average in 2002, while the student teacher ratio is lower than the state average.

**Table 4.2 - Enosburg Falls Jr/Sr High School: General School Information**

School Participation Information	1998-1999	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002	Vermont (most recent)
Total School Enrollment	480	450	402	404	100,867
Attendance Rate	93.3%	93.9%	94.9%	94.1%	95.1%
Retention Rate	0.2%	3.5%	.7%	.5%	2.2%
Average Class Size	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	16.0
Student/Teacher Ratio	11.8	8.6	11.3	10.6	11.4
Eligible Special Education	20.6%	23.3%	20.6%	23.0%	13.0%
9-12 Dropout Rate	5.6%	9.4%	8.1%	6.4%	3.9%
Home study (Number)	1	8	8	6	1,540

Table 4.3 suggests that Enosburgh's proportions of those who have received associate's or bachelor's degrees are slightly lower than the county's numbers. However Enosburgh has a higher percentage of residents with high school degrees. The percentage of residents with no high school degrees though, is much higher than the county average.

**Table 4.3 –Enosburg Town Educational Attainment, 2000 (percent persons 25 years and older)**

	<b>Enosburg</b>	<b>Franklin Co.</b>
<b>Less than High School or no Diploma</b>	23.8%	17.4%
<b>High School Diploma</b>	43%	41.1%
<b>Some College</b>	16.9%	16.7%
<b>Bachelor's / Associate's Degree</b>	12.6%	19.7%
<b>Graduate / Professional / PhD Degree</b>	3.7%	5.1%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau. 2000. *American FactFinder*. <http://factfinder.census.gov>

The reader of this profile interested in more detailed educational information is invited to reference <http://crs.uvm.edu/schlrpt/index.htm>, The Vermont School Report. This annual report is maintained at the CRS www site for the Vermont Department of Education. Indicators for each of Vermont's Public Schools are displayed in seven sections: 1. general information, 2. program information, 3. staff information, 4. more community social indicators, 5. financial resources, 6. financial expenditure and 7. student performance. The Vermont School Report was last updated on February 25, 2003. Also available is the "Complete Vermont Report" which shows state averages and totals for up to four years of data.