

Cloud County Rural Health Works



Communities Building Affordable & Sustainable Healthcare Systems

Education Data

Introduction

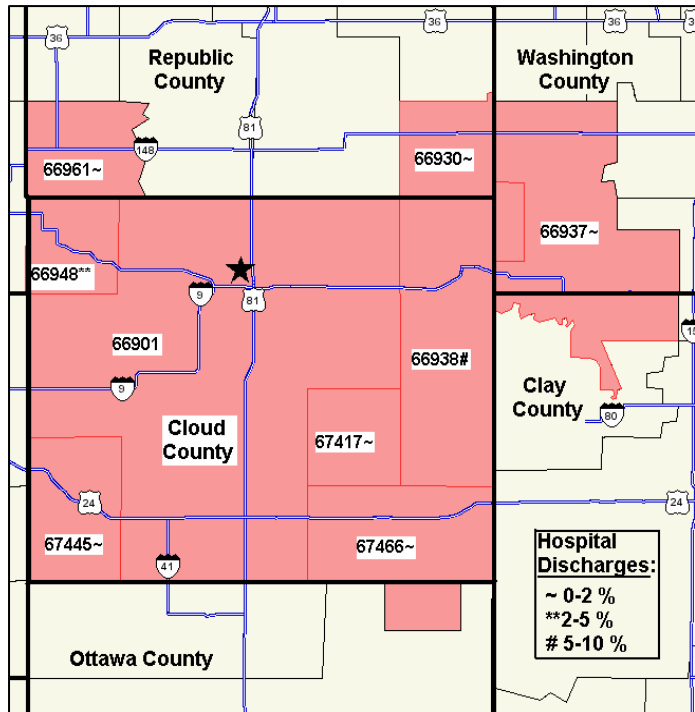
Kansas Rural Health Works (KRHW) is dedicated to helping rural communities build affordable and sustainable local health care systems. Health care is important to seniors, young families and companies. But rural health care systems are facing many challenges: hospitals are closing; services have been cut; doctors won't come to the area or they don't stay; Medicare and Medicaid payments are too low. Rural residents can revitalize their local health care system. KRHW provides the tools. Local visionary leadership puts these tools to work. KRHW helps communities keep health care dollars at home. Sponsored by the Kansas Rural Health Options Project with funding from the Office of Rural Health Policy, Health Resources and Services Administration.

Education Data Summary

Following are a variety of data and statistics about the K-12 school system in Cloud County that may have implications related to local health care needs. The data in this case reflects information reported by the school districts located in Cloud County.

- Following overall patterns in the general population, total student enrollment in the Cloud County K-12 educational system has steadily declined since the mid-1990s.
- As the student population has declined, the student-to-teacher ratio has dropped. This generally means more personal attention per student.
- About 60 percent of the high school students have passed at least one advanced math or science course prior to graduation.
- The student dropout rate has generally been declining in Cloud County.
- Violence in the school is extremely disruptive to learning. The trend in student-on-student violence has increased sharply in the past two years for which data is available, and has crept above the historic norm.

Cloud County Health Market Area

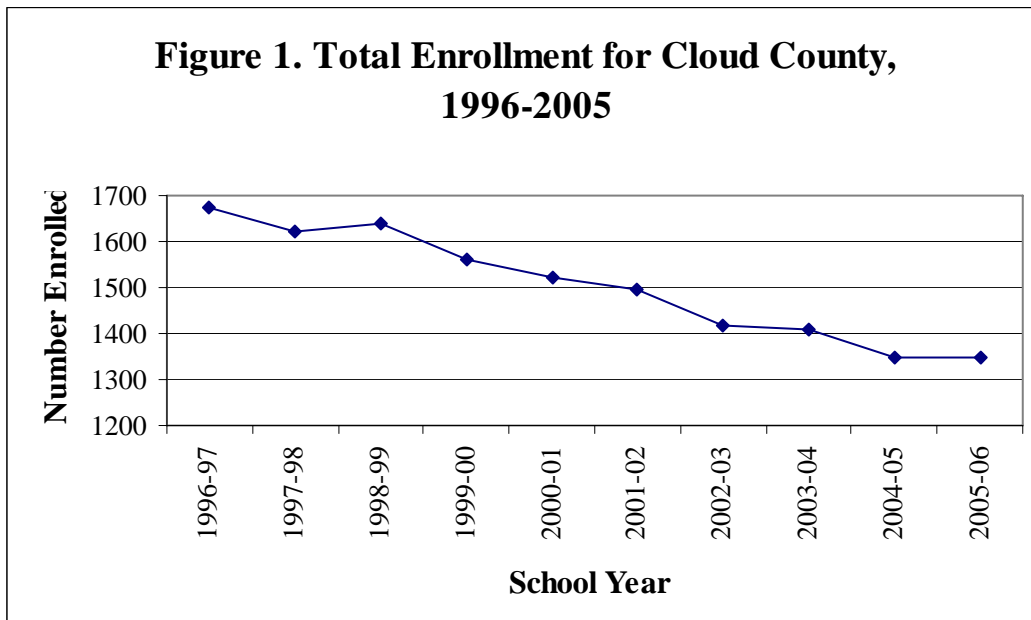


ZIP codes within the Cloud County Health Area.
 Source: Claritas, Inc. 2006

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Cloud County School Districts
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USD 334 Southern Cloud
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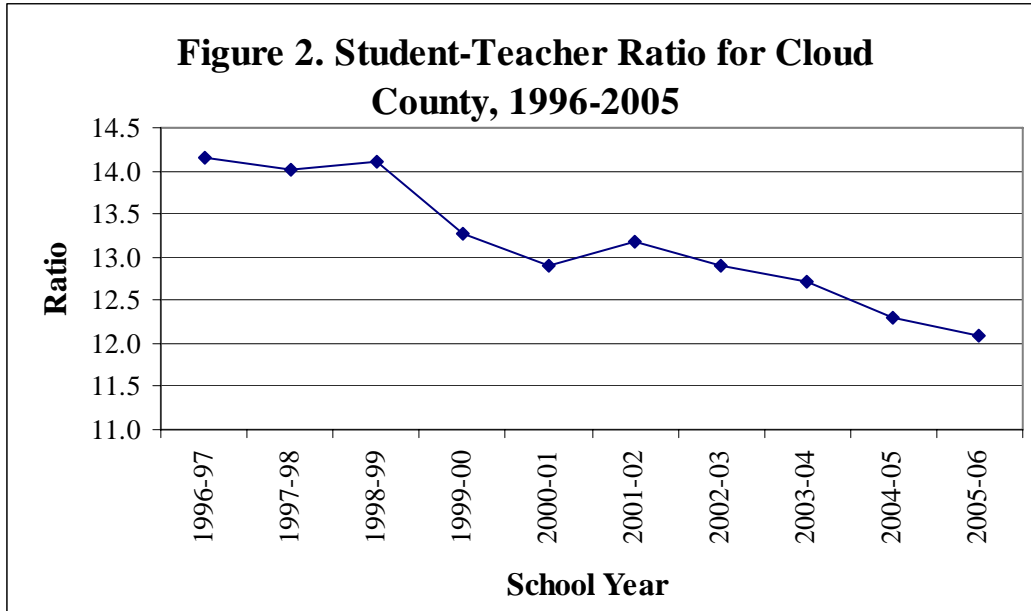
Following overall patterns in the general population, total student enrollment in the Cloud County K-12 educational system has steadily declined since the mid-1990s. Enrollment was about 1,350 in the 2005-06 school year, down from nearly 1,700 in 1996-97.



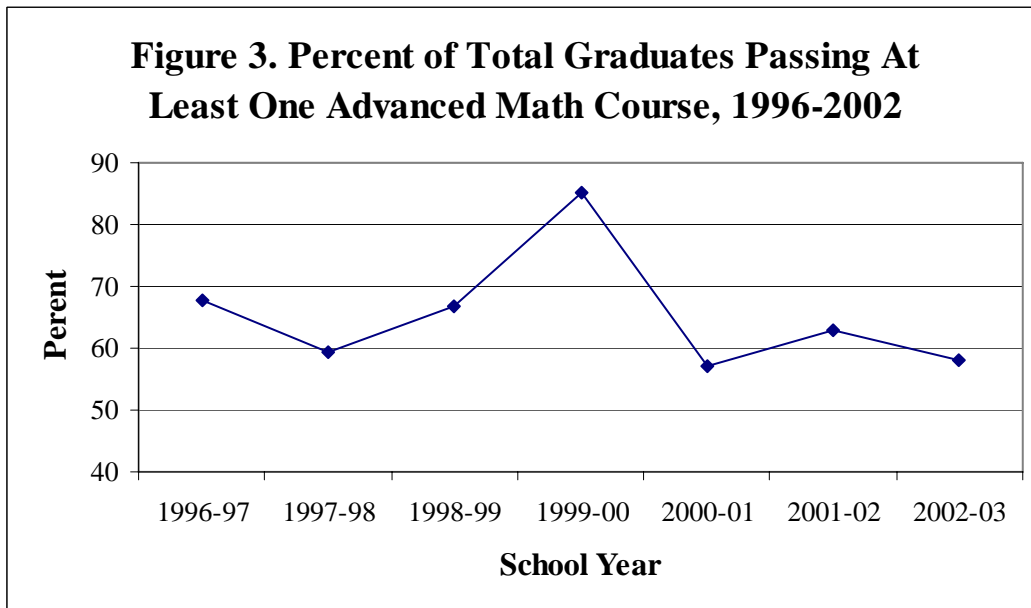
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As the student population has declined, the student-to-teacher ratio has dropped. This generally means more personal attention per student. Over the past decade, the ratio has dropped by about two students per teacher, leaving each teacher, on average, working with about 12 students.



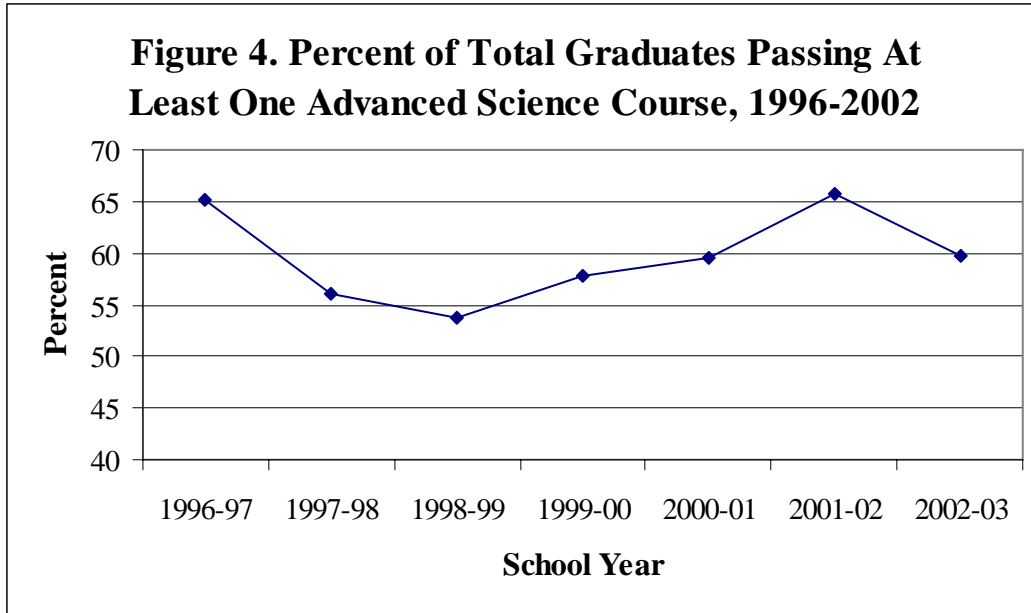
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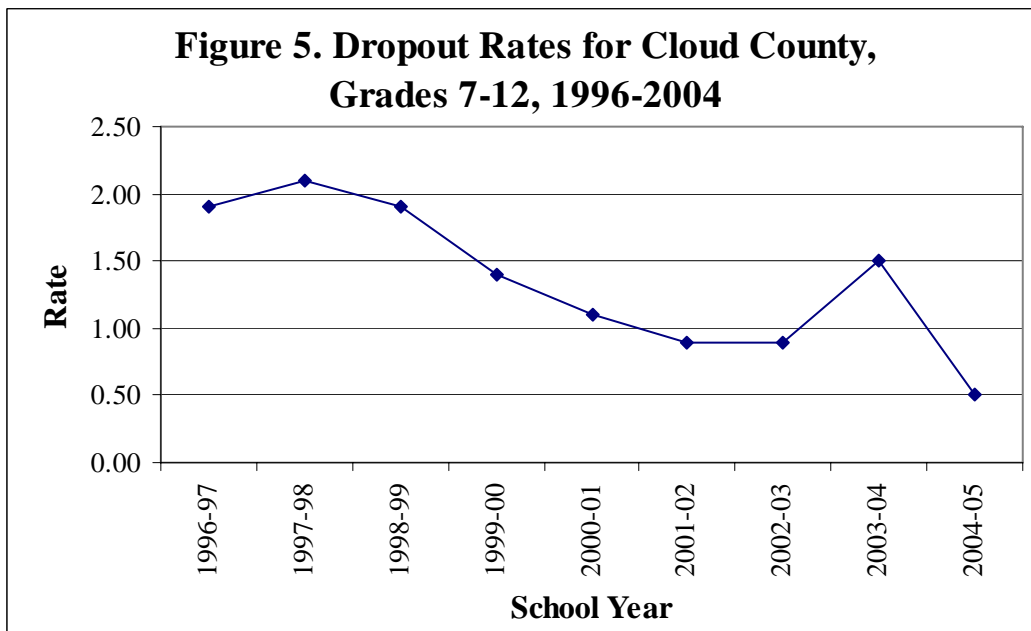
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About 60 percent of the high school students have passed at least one advanced math or science course prior to graduation. In a globalizing and increasingly competitive economic environment, math and science literacy is increasingly important.



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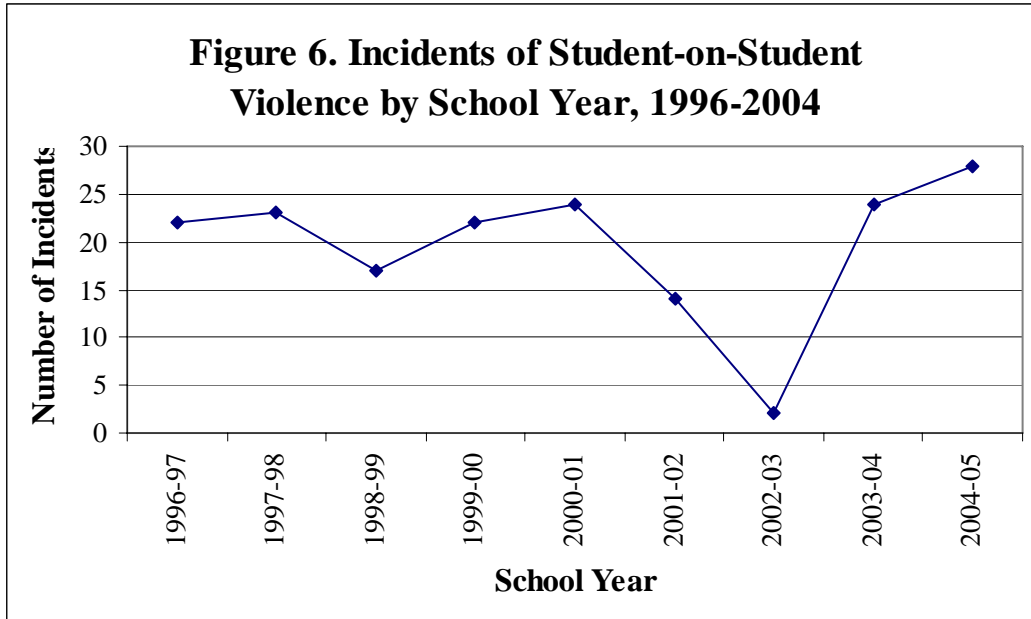
The trend in the student dropout rate has generally been declining in Cloud County. In the most recent year for which data is available, it was about one-half percent of the student population.



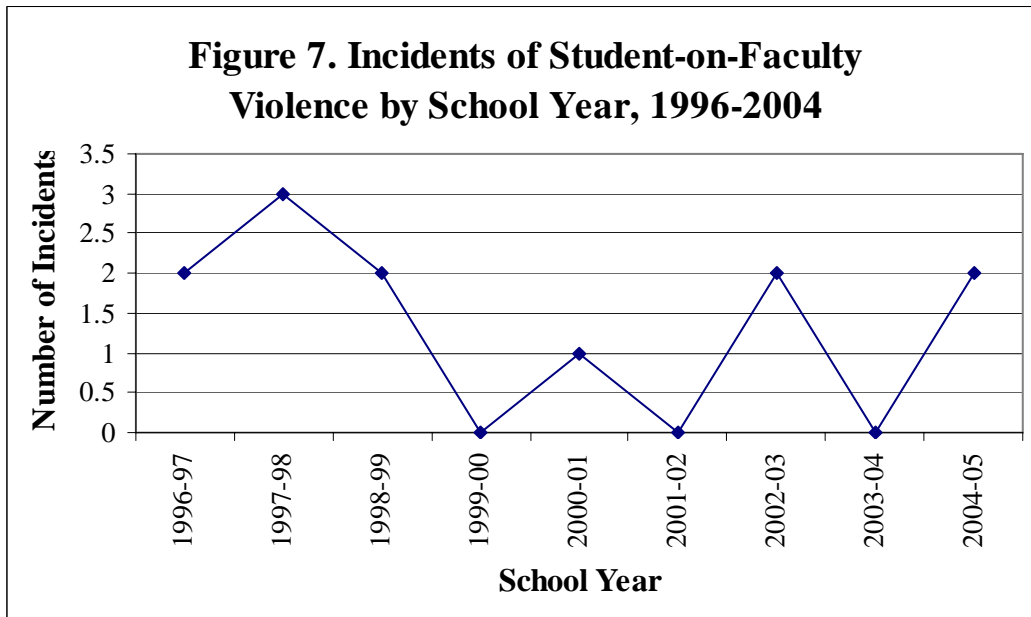
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Violence in the school is extremely disruptive to learning. The trend in student-on-student violence has increased sharply in the past two years for which data is available, and has crept above the historic norm. The incidence of student-on-faculty violence also has been about 1.5 incidents for the past three years.



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