# Comparing Discipline Metrics
between WISEdash for Districts and WISEdash Public
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The presentation of Discipline data in WISEdash for Districts and WISEdash Public are similar but vary in important ways. A limited subset of discipline data is available to the public. In particular, disciplinary actions which are gathered only for students with disabilities are excluded from WISEdash Public. This document explains the differences between metrics available in the two portals and provides guidance for when comparison is possible.

WISEdash for Districts - Disciplinary Incidents by Subgroup Dashboard

The 'Total Student-Incident Occurrences' chart is similar to the 'Incident Rate' chart in WISEdash Public. Note that WISEdash for Districts displays current student data while WISEdash Public displays certified data. This may result in minor differences in counts.

WISEdash for Districts
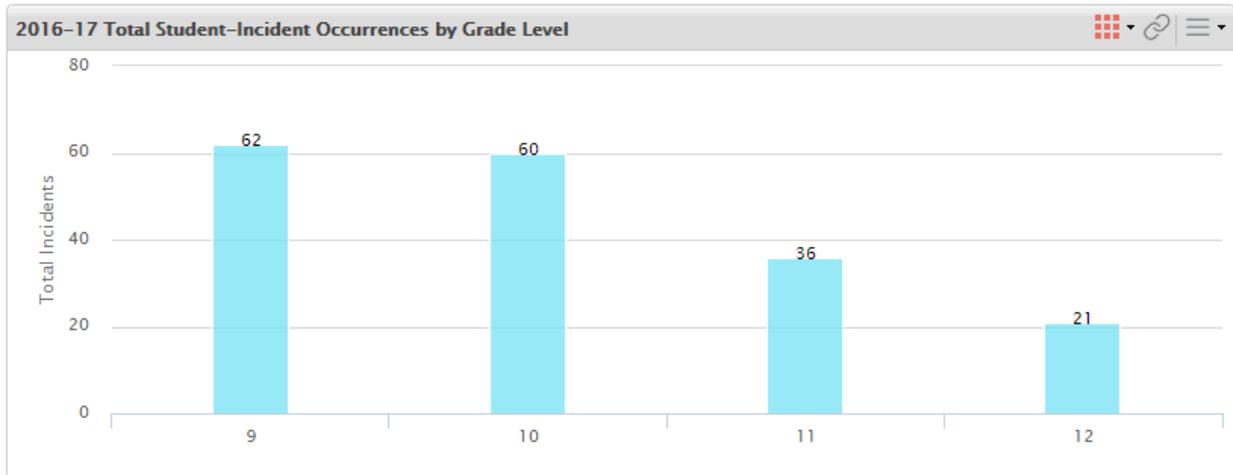
WISEdash Public
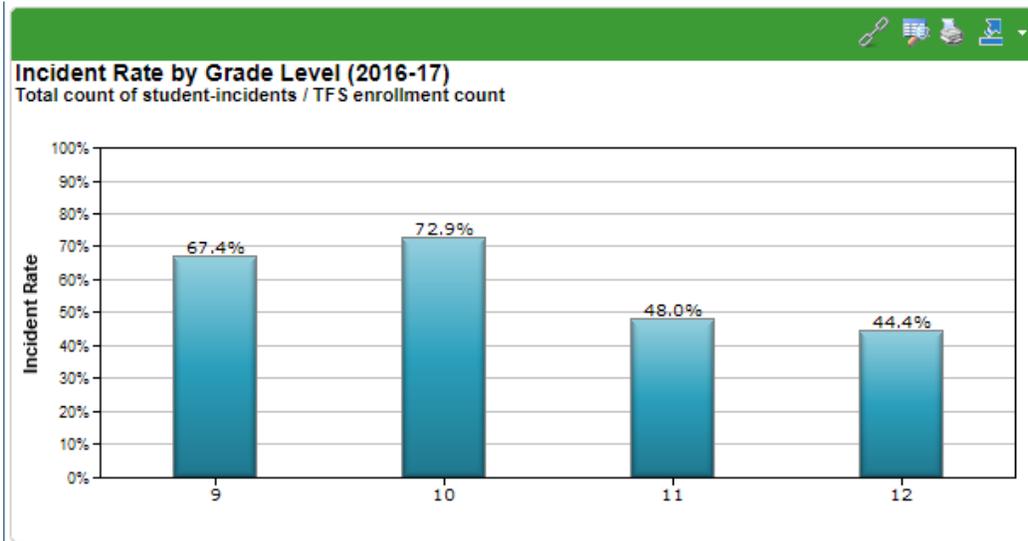
Click to view the incident counts associated with the displayed rates.

Group By	Students Enrolled	Incidents Count	Discipline Rate
9	92	62	67.4%
10	85	62	72.9%
11	75	36	48.0%
12	45	20	44.4%

The 'Percent of Students with Disciplinary Removals' and 'Students with 3 or More Incidents in a School' charts in WISEdash for Districts are not directly comparable to a WISEdash Public chart.

The WISEdash for Districts 'Incidents Dynamic Crosstab' with Columns: Primary Behavior and Rows: None is comparable to the WISEdash Public 'Incident Count by Behavior' chart.

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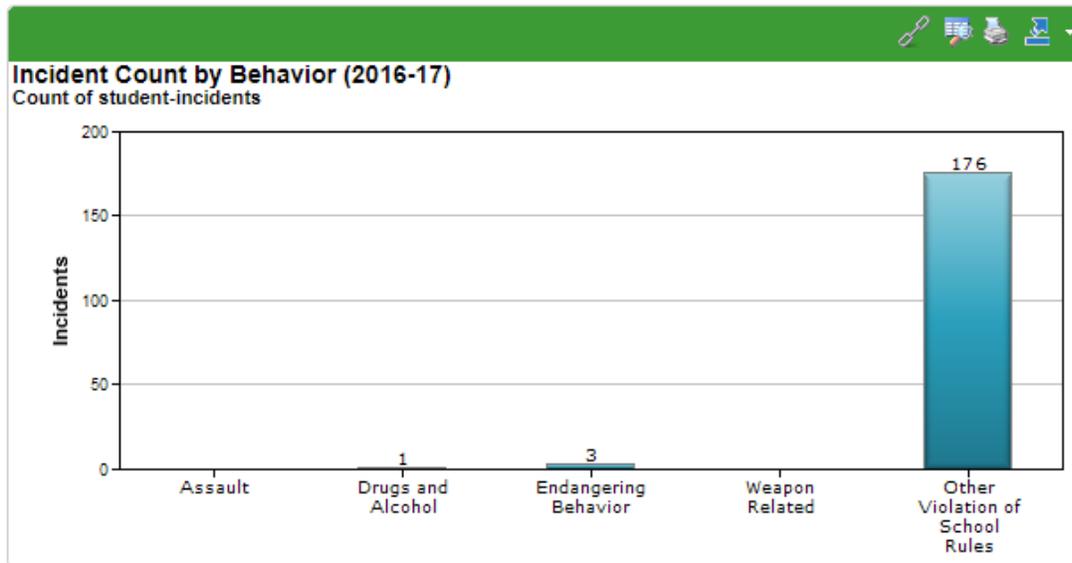
WISEdash Public

WISEdash for Districts - Disciplinary Actions by Subgroup Dashboard

2016–17 Disciplinary Removals by Type and [All Students]

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Legend: In School Suspension, Out of School Suspension, Expulsion without Services Offered, Expulsion with Services Offered, IAES by School Personnel, IAES by Hearing Officer
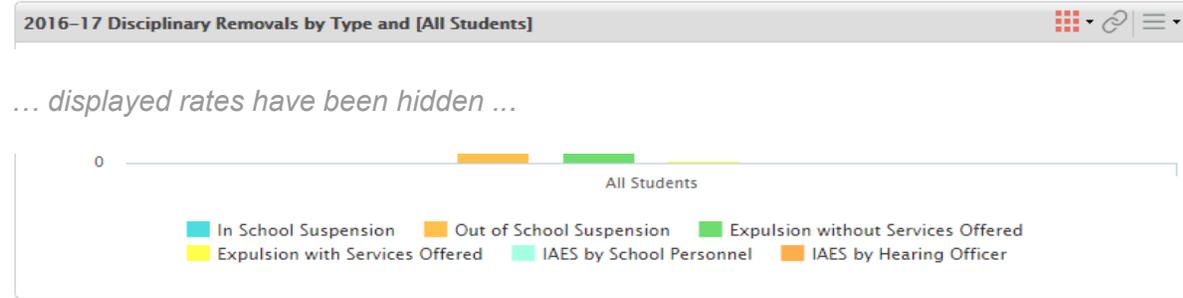
WISEdash for Districts and WISEdash Public may show significantly different removal counts. All removal types are combined on one chart in WISEdash for Districts. Out of School Suspension Rate and Expulsion Count are displayed as separate charts in WISEdash Public. In-school suspension and Interim Alternative Education Setting (IAES) Placement counts are not available in WISEdash Public. The District versus Public metrics for out of school suspension detail answer two different questions:

> WISEdash for Districts: How many students are removed by out-of-school suspension?
> WISEdash Public: What is the rate of total out-of-school suspensions over the total school population on third Friday of September?

The second question may return a significantly higher rate if some students in the district had multiple out-of-school suspensions. Such a student will count only once in the WISEdash for Districts chart (first question), while the same student will appear multiple times in the rate numerator in WISEdash Public (second question). Notice below the large out-of-school suspension rate for this sample school. In WISEdash for Districts the Disciplinary Removals by Type Out of School Suspension rate is less by half.

WISEdash Public

Out-of-School Suspension Rate by [All Students] (2016-17)
Count of out-of-school student-suspensions / TFS enrollment count
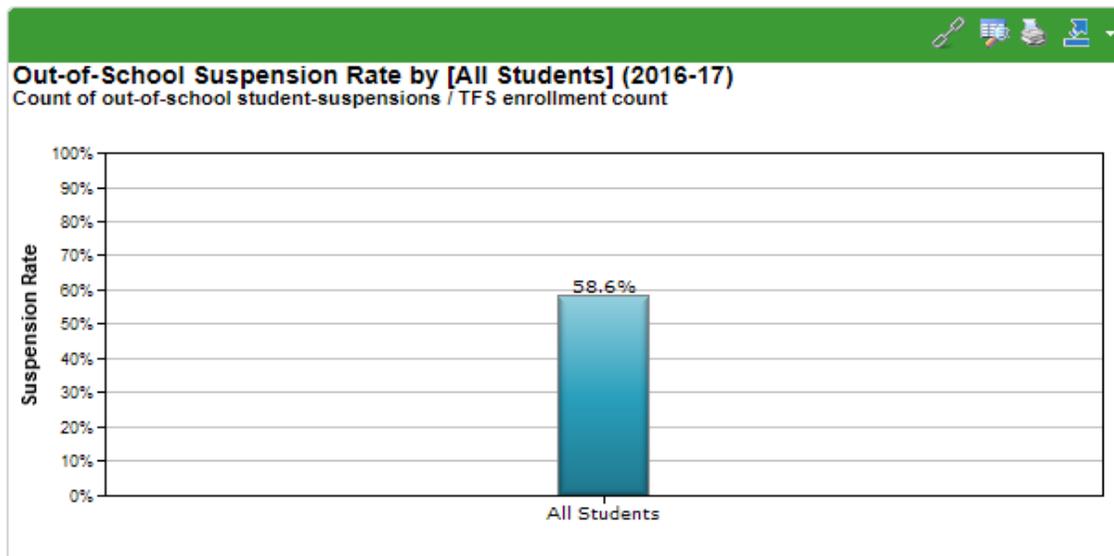
All Students: 58.6%

Click or hover over the All Students bar (58.6%) to view the student count for out-of-school student-suspensions.

Group By	Students Enrolled	Suspensions	Discipline Rate
All Students	297	174	58.6%

The 'Days Removed by Type' chart in WISEdash for Districts is not directly comparable to a WISEdash Public chart.