

Emergency Certificates – 3 year analysis

2016-17, 2015-16, and 2014-15

Overview

The Emergency Certificate Report is an annual report that provides data from the prior three school years. This report will provide a deeper understanding of the annual issuance of emergency certificates in Rhode Island. The report is designed to track trends in the issuance of emergency certificates.

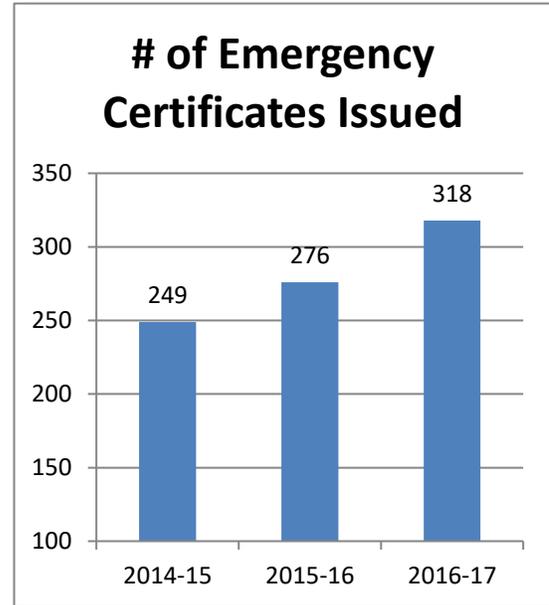
The data within the report include:

- Number of emergency certificates issued in 2015-2016 that were renewed as an emergency certificate or converted to a full certificate (initial or professional) in 2016-2017.
- Numbers of emergency certificates issued in 2016-2017 to teachers who held other full certification, as well as did not hold full certification
- Numbers of emergency certificates that are issued in 2016-2017 for the first time as well as renewals.
- Distribution of emergency certificates by certification areas
- Distribution of emergency certificates by school districts

Emergency Certificates – 3 year analysis

1. How many emergency certificates were issued?

- During the 2014-2015 school year, 249 emergency certificates were issued to 231 people (14 individuals held two emergency certificates and 2 individuals held three emergency certificates).
- During the 2015-2016 school year, 276 emergency certificates were issued to 242 educators (30 individuals held 2 certificates, and 2 individuals held 3 certificates)
- During the 2016-2017 school year, 318 emergency certificates were issued to 273 educators (38 individuals held 2 certificates, 2 individuals held 3 certificates, and one educator held 4 certificates)

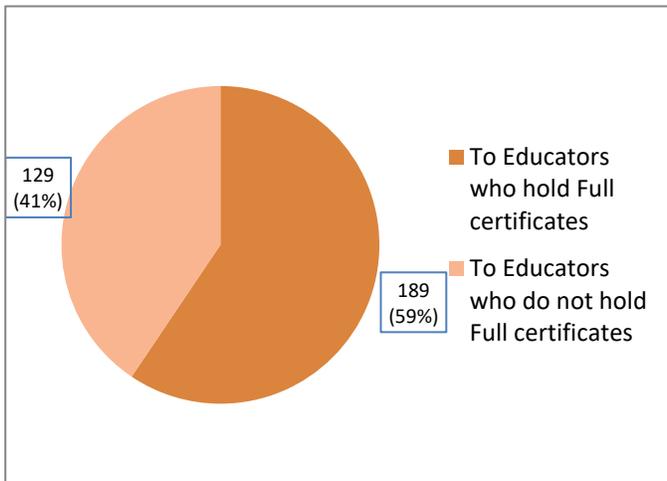


2. What happened to the certificates at the end of school year 2015-2016?

Of the 276 emergency certificates issued in 2015-2016:

- 88 (32%) were renewed as an Emergency certificate in 2016-2017
- 44 (16%) were converted to full certificates in the field of the emergency certificate in school year 2016-2017
- 82 (30%) were not renewed in 2016-2017, but the holder of the certificate is teaching in another certificate area in Rhode Island (during for the 2016-2017 school year)
- 62 (22%) were not renewed in 2016-2017 and there is no evidence that the holder is teaching in Rhode Island a public school.

3. How many of this year's (school year 2016-2017) certificates are issued to fully certified teachers?



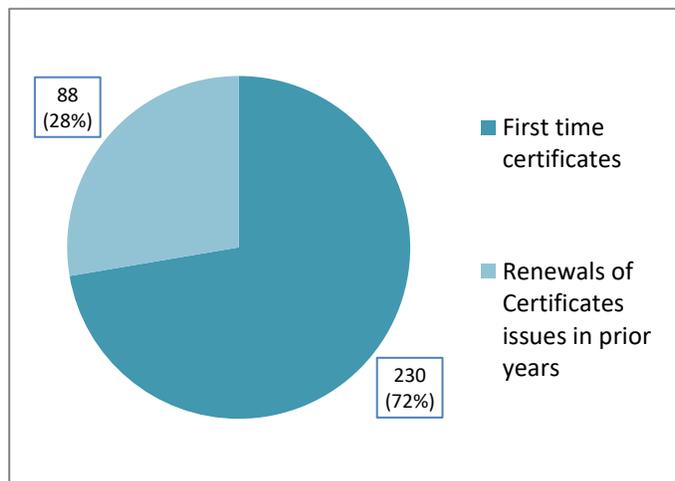
Of the 318 emergency certificates issued for 2016-2017:

- 189 (59%) were issued to individuals who held full certification in another area
- 129 (41%) were issued to individuals who did not hold full certification in any area

4. How many of this year's (school year 2016-2017) certificates are first time issuances and how many are renewals?

Of the 318 emergency certificates issued for 2016-2017:

- 230 (72%) were first time certificates
- 88 (28%) were renewals of certificates that were issued in prior years



5. What is the distribution of emergency certificates issued in 2015-2016 by certification areas?

- The group with the highest number of certificates, 91, is English as a Second Language (ESL) and Bilingual and Dual Language (BDL) certificates. They account for 29% of the certificates issued.
- Special Education accounts for 18% of the certificates.
- Secondary Grades certificates account for 14% of the certificates.
- All Grades certificates account for 17% of the certificates which is an increase of 5% from last year, primarily due to the Library/Media and Technology Education.
- Among the core content areas, the largest numbers of emergency certificates continue to be in mathematics (24 in all, with 16 for high school, 8 for middle school) and the sciences (29 in all, with 22 for high school, 7 for middle school).

6. What is the distribution of emergency certificates issued in 2016-2017 by school district?

Of the 318 certificates issued for 2016-2017:

- a. 211 (66%) were issued to the five districts that top the list of requests: Providence (106), Pawtucket (36), Central Falls (21), Woonsocket (24), and Chariho and Warwick (10 each)
- b. 24 (8%) were issued to Charter Schools.
- c. 22 (7%) were issued at the request of private special education facilities.

7. What is the certificate area breakdown (grouped by grade span) for the past three years – 2014-2015, 2015-2016 and 2016-2017?

The following tables include emergency certificate area details for the past three years.

The listing includes both independent and dependent certificate areas. Readers should consider how certification rules may impact this emergency certificate data. In order for an individual to obtain an emergency for a dependent certificate, s/he must also hold the independent related certificate area. This sometimes results in the issuance of an additional area in a non-shortage certificate. The certificate areas that were issued in order for an educator to attain a dependent certificate are noted with an asterisk. In such instances, the independent certificates that were issued may not indicate a true need for that certificate area.

The complete listing of dependent and independent certificates is found [here](#).

Emergency Permits: A Three Year Comparison															
Certificate Area	2014-2015				Full Cert 2015-16	2015-2016				Full Cert 2016-17	2016-2017				Full Cert 2016-17
	Renew	First Issue	Total	%		Renew	First Issue	Total	%		Renew	First Issue	Total	%	
Early Childhood	1	2	3	1%	1	0	10	10	4%		1	4	5	2%	
Elementary	0	2	2	1%		0	2	2	1%	2	2	6	8	3%	
ESL and Bilingual	33	56	89	36%	23	41	65	106	39%	10	21	70	91	33%	
ESL-Early Childhood	4	3	7	3%	3	4	4	8	3%	1	3	6	9	3%	
ESL-Elementary	9	20	29	12%	10	16	31	47	17%	6	11	22	33	12%	
ESL-Middle Grades	4	9	13	5%	1	3	8	11	4%		1	16	17	6%	
ESL-Secondary	11	13	24	10%	4	12	11	23	8%	2	3	13	16	6%	
ESL-All Grades	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	1	1	0%	
ESL Specialist PK-12	3	3	6	2%	1	0	3	3	1%		0	0	0	0%	
Bilingual-Early Child.	0	2	2	1%		1	4	5	2%		1	6	7	3%	
Bilingual-Elementary	2	5	7	3%	4	5	4	9	3%	1	2	6	8	3%	
Bilingual-Mid. Grades	0	1	1	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
Middle Grades	1	14	15	6%	1	3	11	14	5%	1	3	21	24	9%	
MS English-Elem Extn	0	1	1	0%	1	1	1	2	1%		0	3	3	1%	
MS English-Sec Extn	0	0	0	0%		0	2	2	1%		0	3	3	1%	
MS Math	0	1	1	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	1	1	0%	
MS Math-Elem Extn	0	6	6	2%		2	1	3	1%	1	2	4	6	2%	
MS Math-Sec Extn	0	1	1	0%		0	1	1	0%		0	1	1	0%	
MS Science-Elem Extn	0	1	1	0%		0	3	3	1%		1	3	4	1%	
MS Science-Sec Extn	1	3	4	2%		0	1	1	0%		0	3	3	1%	
MS Social Studies	0	0	0	0%		0	1	1	0%		0	0	0	0%	
MS Soc. Studies-EI Extn	0	1	1	0%		0	1	1	0%		0	2	2	1%	
MS Soc. Studies-Sc Extn	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	1	1	0%	
Secondary Grades	13	22	35	14%	6	9	28	37	13%	8	14	30	44	16%	
Agriculture	-	-	-	-	-	0	1	1	0%		0	0	0	0%	
Biology	1	3	4	2%		1	0	1	0%		1	3	4	1%	
Chemistry	2	4	6	2%	1	2	2	4	1%	2	1	2	3	1%	
English	0	4	4	2%		1	2	3	1%	2	0	4	4	1%	
General Science	3	2	5	2%	2	1	9	10	4%	2	5	8	13	5%	
Mathematics	4	4	8	3%	1	2	10	12	4%	1	7	9	16	6%	
Physics	2	3	5	2%	1	2	1	3	1%	1	0	2	2	1%	
Social Studies	1	2	3	1%	1	0	4	4	1%		0	2	2	1%	
Special Education	16	26	42	17%	6	15	28	43	16%	9	19	38	57	21%	
Spec Ed Early Child.	5	12	17	7%	5	8	11	19	7%	6	9	7	16	6%	
Spec Ed Elementary	-	-	-	-	-	0	3	3	1%		0	5	5	2%	
Spec Ed Middle	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	2	2	1%	
Spec Ed Elem/Middle	0	1	1	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	2	2	1%	
Spec Ed Middle/Sec	4	5	9	4%		1	0	1	0%	1	1	0	1	0%	
Spec Ed Secondary	-	-	-	-	1	0	11	11	4%		3	13	16	6%	

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Spec Ed Severe Intellectual Disability	7	8	15	6%		6	3	9	3%	2	6	9	15	5%	
All Grades	5	20	25	10%	9	11	22	33	12%	10	15	38	53	19%	
Adapted Physical Education	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	1	0	5	5	2%	
Art	0	0	0	0%		0	2	2	1%	1	1	1	2	1%	
Health Education	0	0	0	0%	1	0	2	2	1%		0	2	2	1%	
Family Consumer Science	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	1	0	1	1	0%	
Library/Media	3	13	16	6%	2	8	2	10	4%	2	4	7	11	4%	
Music	1	0	1	0%		0	1	1	0%		1	2	3	1%	
Physical Education	0	0	0	0%	1	0	1	1	0%		0	0	0	0%	
Technology Education	0	1	1	0%	3	1	8	9	3%	1	5	6	11	4%	
World Lang-Chinese	-	-	-	-	-	0	1	1	0%		1	1	2	1%	
World Lang-French	0	3	3	1%	1	1	1	2	1%		0	3	3	1%	
World Lang-Italian	1	0	1	0%		0	0	0	0%		1	2	3	1%	
World Lang-Latin	0	1	1	0%		0	2	2	1%		2	0	2	1%	
World Lang-Spanish	0	2	2	1%	1	1	2	3	1%	4	0	8	8	3%	
Support Professional	0	1	1	0%	0	0	1	1	0%	1	1	4	5	2%	
Reading Specialist	0	1	1	0%		0	1	1	0%	1	0	3	3	1%	
ESL Specialist	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		1	1	2	1%	
School Nurse	8	9	17	7%	4	9	2	11	4%	1	4	4	8	3%	
CTE¹	10	9	19	8%		7	11	18	7%	2	9	15	24	8%	
Emergency Certificates Total	87	161	248		50	95	180	275		44	88	230	318		

¹ The following page lists a section with the breakdown of the Career and Technical Education certificates that were issued in 2016-17. This analysis does not cover the previous years.

8. What is the certificate area breakdown of certificates for Career and Technical Education for 2016-2017?

Emergency certificates for Career and Technical Education by Area for 2016-17

Certificate Areas	Renewal	First Issue	Grand Total
Agriculture		1	1
Air Conditioning And Refrigeration		2	2
Auto Mechanics	1		1
Building Construction Trades	2		2
Computer Technology	1	1	2
Cosmetology	1	1	2
Electrical Installation	1	1	2
Electronics Technology	1	1	2
Graphic Arts	1	3	4
Health Occupations		1	1
Marine Maintenance, Ship Technology		1	1
Plumbing And Heating		1	1
Quantity Food Preparation		2	2
Welding	1		1
Total	9	15	24