

Deficits build for state, regional school districts

A number of Metro Detroit school districts are facing red ink as they struggle to balance their budgets. For some, the problems have lingered for years.

District	2008-09	Years in deficit since 1989
Wayne County		
Detroit City School District	\$ (218,969,421)	5
Inkster City School District	\$ (10,049,858)	8
Highland Park City Schools	\$ (3,070,471)	2
Westwood Community Schools	\$ (2,664,334)	1
River Rouge City Schools	\$ (2,166,650)	4
Hamtramck Public Schools	\$ (1,118,967)	1
Garden City School District	\$ (471,497)	7
Plymouth Educational Center	\$ (263,867)	1
Ecorse Public School District	\$ (239,538)	6
Aisha Shule/Web Dubois Prep Academy	\$ (186,855)	1
North Pointe Academy	\$ (126,906)	2
West Village Academy	\$ (10,563)	2
Oakland County		
Pontiac City School District	\$ (8,533,503)	3
Oak Park City School District	\$ (3,032,012)	3
Hazel Park City School District	\$ (1,774,492)	3
Avondale School District	\$ (1,102,339)	3
Woodmont Academy	\$ (49,997)	1
Macomb County		
Clintondale Comm Schools	\$ (5,230,637)	4
East Detroit Public Schools	\$ (3,813,147)	4
Mt. Clemens Community Schools	\$ (949,010)	5
New Haven Community Schools	\$ (394,143)	8
Livingston County		
Brighton Area Schools	\$ (2,396,282)	1
Rest of the state		
Bingham Academy (Alpena County)	\$ (138,097)	3
Benton Harbor Area Schools (Berrien County)	\$ (11,614,479)	3
Dream Academy (Berrien County)	\$ (42,593)	
Hancock Public Schools (Houghton County)	\$ (1,608,752)	4
Owendale-Gagetown (Huron County)	\$ (27,472)	2
Hale Area Schools (Iosco County)	\$ (117,633)	1
Jackson Arts & Technology Psa (Jackson County)	\$ (127,800)	1
Hudson Area Schools (Lenawee County)	\$ (195,898)	1
Les Cheneaux Community Schools (Mackinac County)	\$ (54,500)	1
Ishpeming Public School District (Marquette County)	\$ (468,964)	3
Republic-Michigamme Schools (Marquette County)	\$ (64,519)	1
Muskegon Heights School District (Muskegon County)	\$ (1,793,789)	4
Ewen-Trout Creek Consolidated Schools (Ontonagon County)	\$ (1,087,795)	16
Walden Green Montessori (Ottawa County)	\$ (193,744)	2
Covert Public Schools (Van Buren County)	\$ (1,035,403)	1
Willow Run Community Schools (Washtenaw County)	\$ (3,007,673)	4

Ypsilanti School District (Washtenaw County)	\$	(2,212,805)	2
Victory Academy Charter School (Washtenaw County)	\$	(47,368)	2