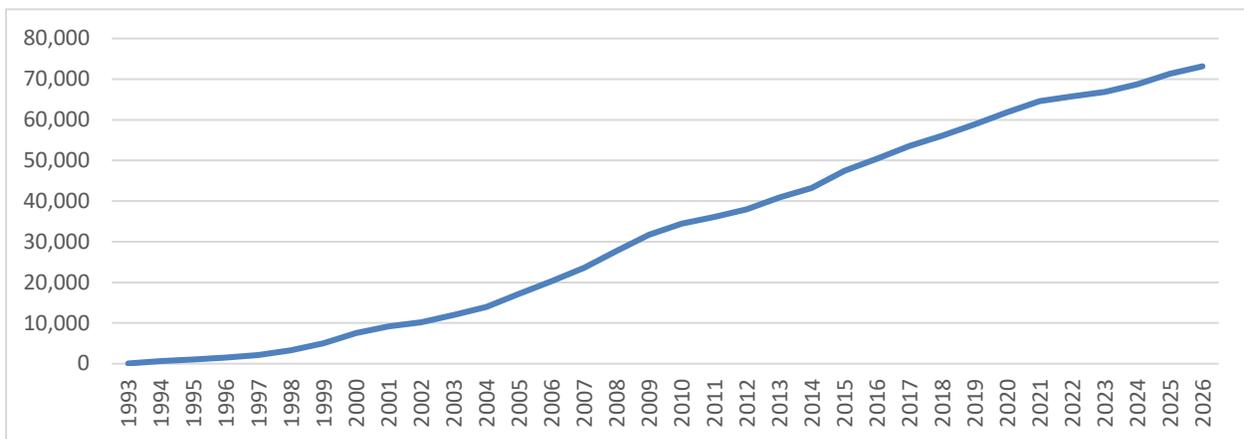


# Charter School Enrollment and Number of Schools

Minnesota’s charter school laws were first enacted by the 1991 Legislature and the first charter school began operating in the 1992-1993 school year. This document contains two figures and one table showing charter school enrollment, which has grown to more than 73,000 students, and the numbers of charter schools opening and closing each year. As of March 15, 2026, 169 charter schools are serving students.

**Figure 1**  
**Charter School Enrollment from Fiscal Year 1993 to Fiscal Year 2026**



**Figure 2**  
**Charter Schools Opening and Closing Each Year**

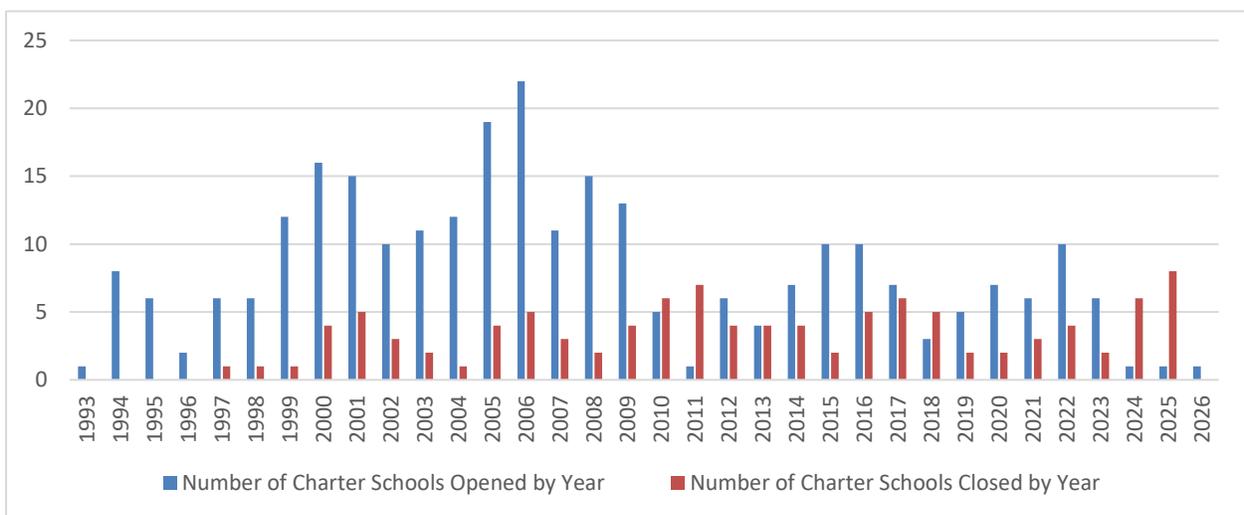


Table 1 shows the numbers of charter school students, the number of charter schools opening, and the number of charter schools closing each year.

**Table 1  
Charter School Openings and Closings, and Enrollment by Year**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Number of Charter Schools Opened by Year</b>	<b>Number of Charter Schools Closed by Year</b>	<b>Enrollment (adm)</b>	<b>Annual Percent Growth in Enrollment</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>106</b>		
1993	1	0	47	
1994	8	0	615	1209%
1995	6	0	1,046	70%
1996	2	0	1,494	43%
1997	6	1	2,138	43%
1998	6	1	3,292	54%
1999	12	1	4,991	52%
2000	16	4	7,526	51%
2001	15	5	9,199	22%
2002	10	3	10,170	11%
2003	11	2	11,998	18%
2004	12	1	13,948	16%
2005	19	4	17,121	23%
2006	22	5	20,306	19%
2007	11	3	23,588	16%
2008	15	2	27,753	18%
2009	13	4	31,687	14%
2010	5	6	34,463	9%
2011	1	7	36,087	5%
2012	6	4	37,958	5%
2013	4	4	40,856	8%
2014	7	4	43,237	6%
2015	10	2	47,439	10%
2016	10	5	50,390	6%
2017	7	6	53,582	6%
2018	3	5	56,061	5%
2019	5	2	58,904	5%
2020	7	2	61,815	5%
2021	6	3	64,618	5%
2022	10	4	65,729	2%
2023	6	2	66,879	2%
2024	1	6	68,758	5%
2025	1	8	71,282	7%
2026	1	0	73,149	6%

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