

QUALITY DISTRIBUTION INDEX (QDI) CUT POINTS 2010 - 2011 SCHOOL YEAR BY SCHOOL DISTRICT MISSISSIPPI DEPT. OF EDUCATION DATA

WHAT THIS MAP DOES: This map shows the Quality Distribution Index (QDI) scores for each school district used by MDE to rank the Accountability Status for each school district for the 2010 - 2011 school year.

QDI = Quality Distribution Index. The QDI is one of 3 components the MS Dept. of Education used to rate each school district in the new Accountability system. The other 2 components are whether district Growth goals are met and district Graduation and Completion Rates.

The cut points in the Quality Distribution Index are:

- 0 - 99 = Failing (6 districts)
- 100 - 132 = At-Risk of Failing (42 districts)
- 133 - 165 = Academic Watch (61 districts)
- 166 - 199 = Successful (37 districts)
- 200 - 300 = High Performing (3 districts).
- Total number of districts: 149.

This index is part of the state accountability formula used to assess the performance of school districts across the state. The 2010 - 2011 school year is the second year in which the accountability model is being used.

The blue number in each school district represents the QDI score for the 2010 -2011 school year. The QDI is a composite score that takes into account all of the student testing in one year, including the MCT 2 and SATP results.

Each year for the first 4 years of the new accountability model the cut points will be changed to make the standards tougher. The goal is to make the ratings system for Mississippi school districts comparable to the ratings of school districts across the nation.

This data is part of the most recent school district Accountability ratings released by the MS Dept. of Education on September 10, 2009.

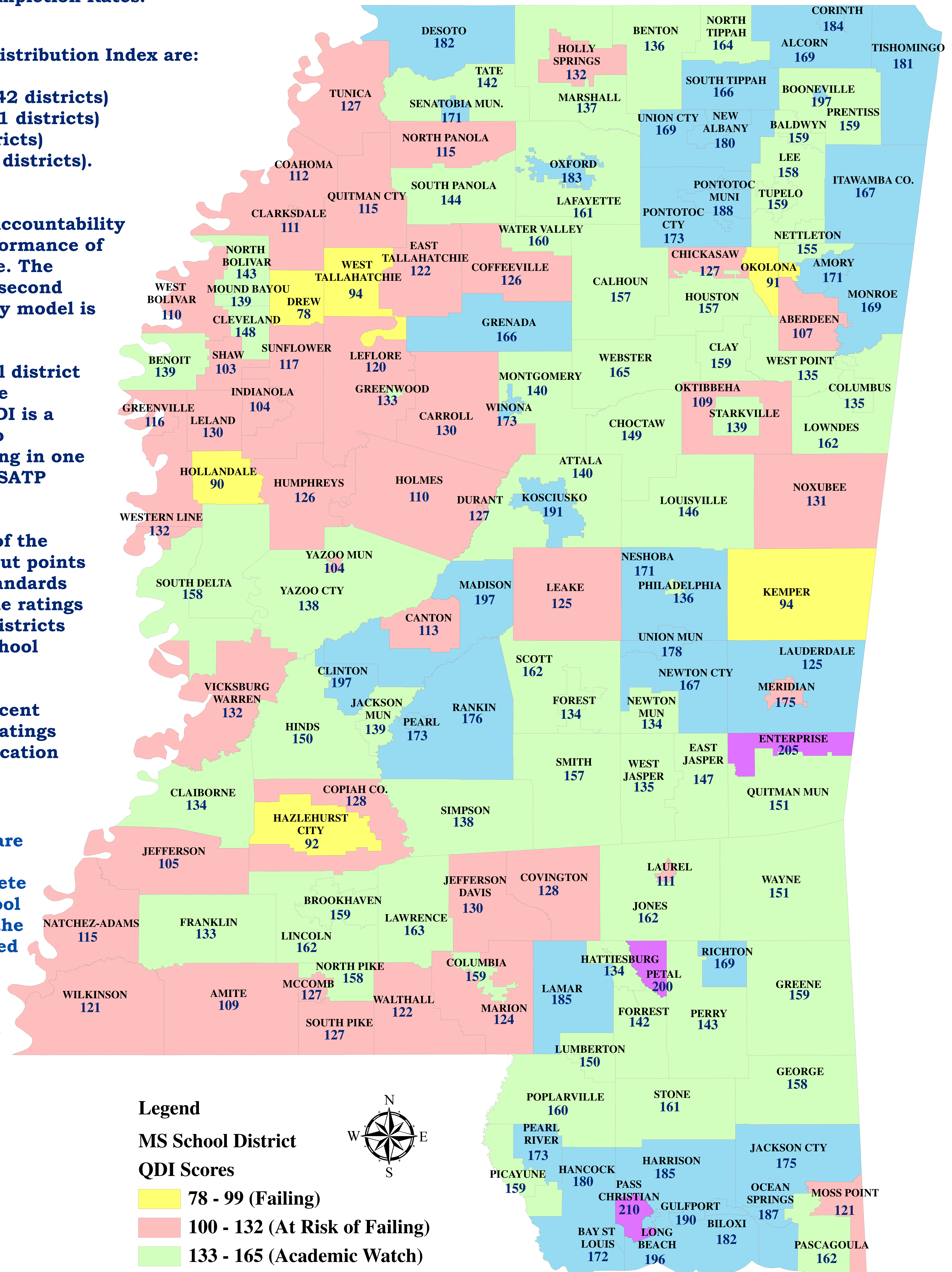
Agricultural High Schools: The Agricultural High Schools are not included in the visual map because they do not have discrete physical jurisdictions that school districts have. The ratings for the Ag High Schools are not included in the cumulative district numbers set forth above.

The QDI cut scores for the AHS are:

- Coahoma AHS: 126
- Forrest AHS: 158
- Hinds AHS: 108

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