

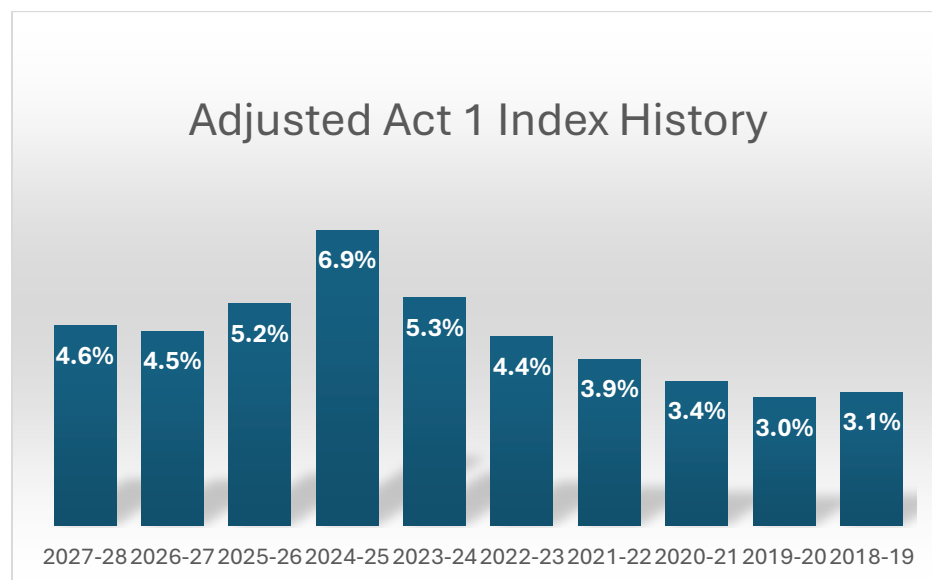
PDE Announces Act 1 Adjusted Index for FY 2027-28

Prevailing Wage Expansion Moves in House

The PA Department of Education has published the Adjusted Act 1 Index for all school districts for 2027-28 budgets. You can find your district's index by [clicking here](#). (From the landing page scroll down to the second bullet which is an Excel spreadsheet showing the adjusted index for all 500 districts.)

The adjusted index provides some additional relief for districts with an aid ratio greater than .4000. More than 80% of the 500 districts qualify for the additional property tax ceiling.

The base (unadjusted) index for 2027-28 is 3.6%. For the current budget year, the base index was 3.5%. The chart below shows the average adjusted index history for all schools.



In the House, a bill to expand the scope of the PA Prevailing Wage Act has been approved in committee. [Senate Bill 908](#) was approved in the Labor and Industry Committee on a 14-12 party line vote on Monday. If passed in the House without amendments, the bill would then go to the Governor's desk. The bill would require prevailing wages for off sight work for public construction projects that are currently not covered. The bottom line: the bill increases construction costs for schools and other public entities.

