

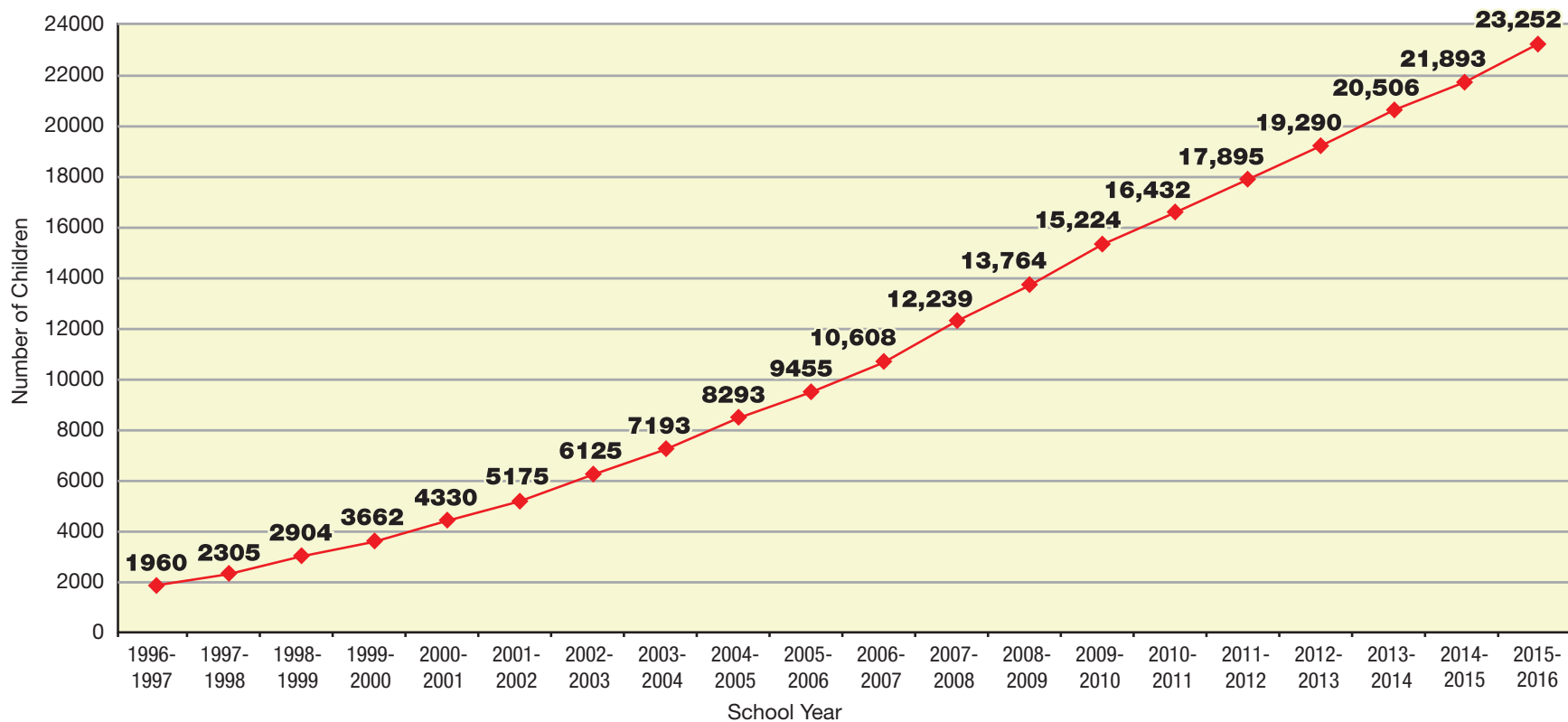
The Increase of Students with Autism

A steady increase continues in the number of students identified with Autism nationally and in Illinois. The chart below shows the number of students identified for special education services under the category of Autism in Illinois over the last 20 years.

Number of Children with Autism Receiving Special Education in Illinois Continues to Rise.

Increase in Children with Autism in Illinois

Number of Children in Illinois Receiving Special Education under the Category of Autism Ages 3-21



Source: Illinois State Board of Education