

Table 231. Public Elementary and Secondary School Enrollment by Grade: 1980 to 2004

[In thousands (40,877 represents 40,877,000). As of fall of year. Based on survey of state education agencies; see source for details]

Grade	1980	1985	1990	1995	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Pupils enrolled	40,877	39,422	41,217	44,840	46,127	46,539	46,857	47,204	47,672	48,183	48,540	48,795
Pre-kindergarten to 8 ¹	27,647	27,034	29,878	32,341	33,073	33,346	33,488	33,688	33,938	34,116	34,202	34,178
Pre-K and Kindergarten	2,689	3,192	3,610	4,173	4,198	4,172	4,148	4,158	4,244	4,349	4,453	4,534
First	2,894	3,239	3,499	3,671	3,755	3,727	3,684	3,636	3,614	3,594	3,613	3,663
Second	2,800	2,941	3,327	3,507	3,689	3,681	3,656	3,634	3,593	3,565	3,544	3,560
Third	2,893	2,895	3,297	3,445	3,597	3,696	3,691	3,676	3,653	3,623	3,611	3,580
Fourth	3,107	2,771	3,248	3,431	3,507	3,592	3,686	3,711	3,695	3,669	3,619	3,612
Fifth	3,130	2,776	3,197	3,438	3,458	3,520	3,604	3,707	3,727	3,711	3,685	3,635
Sixth	3,038	2,789	3,110	3,395	3,492	3,497	3,564	3,663	3,769	3,788	3,772	3,735
Seventh	3,085	2,938	3,067	3,422	3,520	3,530	3,541	3,629	3,720	3,821	3,841	3,818
Eighth	3,086	2,982	2,979	3,356	3,415	3,480	3,497	3,538	3,616	3,709	3,809	3,825
Grades 9 to 12 ¹	13,231	12,388	11,338	12,500	13,054	13,193	13,369	13,515	13,734	14,067	14,338	14,617
Ninth	3,377	3,439	3,169	3,704	3,819	3,856	3,935	3,963	4,012	4,105	4,190	4,281
Tenth	3,368	3,230	2,896	3,237	3,376	3,382	3,415	3,491	3,528	3,584	3,675	3,750
Eleventh	3,195	2,866	2,612	2,826	2,972	3,021	3,034	3,083	3,174	3,229	3,277	3,369
Twelfth	2,925	2,550	2,381	2,487	2,673	2,722	2,782	2,803	2,863	2,990	3,046	3,094

¹ Includes unclassified students, not shown separately.

Source: U.S. National Center for Education Statistics, *Digest of Education Statistics*, annual.