Appendix 3 Standard Error Tables

This appendix includes tables of standard errors for indicator tables and figures that present data collected through sample surveys. There are no standard error tables for indicator tables and figures that present data from universe surveys (such as all school districts), compilations of administrative records, or statistical projections.

Standard errors for supplemental tables are not included here, but can be found on the NCESWebSite(http:// /nces.ed.gov).

## Standard Errors

The information presented in this report was obtained from many sources, including federal and state agencies, private research organizations, and professional associations. The data were collected using many research methods, including surveys of a universe (such as all school districts) or of a sample of respondents, compilations of administrative records, and statistical projections. Users of The Condition of Education should be cautious when comparing data from different sources. Differences in procedures, timing, phrasing of questions, interviewer training, and so forth mean that the results are not strictly comparable.

## Statistical Significance

Unless otherwise noted, all statements cited in the text about differences between two or more groups or changes over time were tested for statistical significance and are statistically significant at the 0.05 level. Several test procedures were used, depending on the type of data interpreted and the nature of the state ment tested. The most commonly used test procedures are: t-tests; multiple t-tests with a Bonferroni adjustment to the significance level; and linear trend tests. As an illustration, when a statement compares sample estimates for males and females, a t-test was used. When multiple comparisons between more than two groups were made, a Bonferroni adjustment to the significance level was made, even if only one comparison is cited in the text, to ensure that the significance level for the tests as a group is at the 0.05 level. The Bonferroni adjustment is commonly used when making comparisons between racial/ethnic groups and between the United States and other countries. A linear trend test was used when a statement describing a trend, such as the growth of enrollment rates over time, was made or when a statement describing a relationship, such as that betw een a parent's educational attainment and a student's reading proficiency, was made.

The joint effects of sampling and nonsampling errors determine the accuracy of any statistic. Estimates based on a sample will differ from the figures that would have been obtained if a complete census had been taken using the same survey instruments, instructions, and procedures. In addition to such sampling errors, all surveys, both sample and universe, are susceptible to design, reporting, and processing errors due to nonresponse. To the extent possible, these nonsampling errors are minimized by methods included in the survey procedures. Nonetheless, the effects of nonsampling errors are more difficult to gauge than those produced by sampling variability.

The estimated standard error of a statistic is a measure of the variation due to sampling and can be used to examine the precision obtained in a particular sample. The sample estimate and an estimate of its standard error permit the construction of interval estimates with prescribed confidence that the interval includes the average result of all possible samples. If all possible samples were selected, each was surveyed under the same conditions, and an estimate and its standard error were calculated from each sample, then approximately 90 percent of the intervals from 1.6 standard errors below the estimate to 1.6 standard errors above the estimate would include the actual value; 95 percent of the intervals from 2 standard errors below the estimate to 2 standard errors above the estimate would include the actual value; and 99 percent of all intervals from 2.5 standard errors below the estimate to 2.5 standard errors above the estimate would include the actual value. These intervals are called 90 percent, 95 percent, and 99 percent confidence intervals, respectively.

To illustrate this further, consider the figure for indicator 1 and the standard error table S1 for estimates from the N ational H ousehold Education Surveys Program (N HES).

## Standard Errors

For the 2001 estimate of the percentage of children ages 3-5 that were enrolled in cen-ter-based early childhood care and education programs ( 56.4 percent), table S1 shows a standard error of 0.6 . Therefore, a 95 percent confidence interval can be constructed from 55.2 to 57.6 (i.e., $56.4 \pm 2 \times 0.6$ ). If this procedure was used for every possible sample, about 95 percent of the intervals would include the actual percentage of children ages 3-5 enrolled in center-based early childhood care and education programs.

The estimated standard errors for two sample statistics can be used to estimate the precision of the difference between the two statistics and to avoid concluding that there is an actual difference when the difference in sample estimates may be due only to sampling error. The need to be aware of the precision of differences arises, for example, when comparing mean proficiency scores between groups or years in the $N$ ational Assessment of Educational Progress (N AEP) or when comparing percentages between groups or years in the Current Population Survey (CPS). The standard error (se) of the difference betw een sample estimate $A$ and sample estimate $B$ (when A and B do not overlap) is

$$
s e_{A-B}=\sqrt{s e_{A}^{2}+s e_{B}^{2}}
$$

When a ratio (called a t-statistic) of the difference betw een the two sample statistics and the standard error of the difference as calculated above is less than 2 , one cannot be sure at the 5 percent significance level that the difference is not due only to sampling error, and caution should be used in drawing any conclusions about the difference. In this report, for example, using the rationale above, one would not conclude that a statistically significant difference exists between the two sample statistics.

To illustrate this further, consider the data on the performance of male and female $4^{\text {th }}$ grade students in the assessment of reading
in the N ational Assessment of Educational Progress in 2000 (see indicator 7). M ales had a scale score of 212; females had a scale score of 222 . Is the difference in scale scores between these samples of males and females statistically significant? The standard errors of these estimates are 1.1 and 0.9 , respectively (see standard error table S7-1). Using the formula above, the standard error of the difference is 1.4. The ratio, or t-statistic, of the estimated difference of 10 scale points to the standard error of the difference (1.4) is 7.1. This value is considerably higher than the critical value of the $t$ distribution for a 5 percent level of significance and a large sample, 1.96, indicated in the table below. With this information, one can see that there is less than a 5 percent chance that the difference of 10 scale points is due only to sampling error and can conclude that there was a difference between the performance of males and females in reading in $4^{\text {th }}$ grade in 2000.

Percent chance that a difference is due only to sampling error (for large samples):

| t-statistic | 1.00 | 1.64 | 1.96 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Percent chance | 32 | 10 | 5 |

It should be noted that most of the standard errors presented in this report and in the original documents are approximations. That is, to derive estimates of standard errors that would be applicable to a wide variety of items and that could be prepared at a moderate cost, a number of approximations were required. As a result, most of the standard errors presented provide a general order of magnitude rather than the exact standard error for any specific item.

## Standard Error Tables on the Web

The following pages in this section contain tables of standard error tables for all of the graphics or tables found on the indicator

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pages in sections 1 through 6 . Tables of standard errors for all supplemental tables are located on the NCES Web Site. Go to nces.ed.gov and select The Condition of Edu-
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## Racial/Ethnic Distribution of Public School Students

Table S3
Standard errorsfor the percentage of publicschool studentsenrolled in grades $K$ - 12 who were minorities, by region: October 1972-2000

| October | Minority enrollment |  |  | Minority enrollment |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Black | Hispanic | Other | Black | Hispanic | Other |
|  | Northeast |  |  | Midwest |  |  |
| 1972 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| 1973 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| 1974 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| 1975 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| 1976 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| 1977 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| 1978 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| 1979 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| 1980 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| 1981 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| 1982 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| 1983 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| 1984 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| 1985 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| 1986 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.2 |
| 1987 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| 1988 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.3 |
| 1989 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.3 |
| 1990 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| 1991 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| 1992 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| 1993 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| 1994 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.2 |
| 1995 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| 1996 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| 1997 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| 1998 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| 1999 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| 2000 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 |

See footnotes at end of table.

## Racial/Ethnic Distribution of Public School Students

Table S3 Standard errors for the percentage of public school students enrolled in grades K-12 who were minorities, by region: October 1972-2000 - Continued

| October | Minority enrollment |  |  | Minority enrollment |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Black | Hispanic | Other | Black | Hispanic | Other |
|  |  | South |  |  | West |  |
| 1972 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.4 |
| 1973 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.4 |
| 1974 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.4 |
| 1975 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.5 |
| 1976 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.4 |
| 1977 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.5 |
| 1978 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 0.5 |
| 1979 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 1.5 | 0.8 |
| 1980 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 0.6 |
| 1981 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 0.5 |
| 1982 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 0.6 |
| 1983 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 0.6 |
| 1984 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 0.6 |
| 1985 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 0.6 |
| 1986 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 0.6 |
| 1987 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 0.6 |
| 1988 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 1.3 | 0.7 |
| 1989 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 1.3 | 0.6 |
| 1990 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 0.6 |
| 1991 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 0.6 |
| 1992 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 0.6 |
| 1993 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 0.6 |
| 1994 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.5 |
| 1995 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.4 |
| 1996 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.5 |
| 1997 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.5 |
| 1998 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.5 |
| 1999 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.5 |
| 2000 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.5 |

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. October Current Population Surveys, 1972-2000.

## Reading Performance of Students in Grade 4

| Table S7 Standarderrorsforthe average reading scale scores for 4 ${ }^{\text {th}}$-graders, bysex: 1992, 1994, 1998, and 2000 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Average scale score | 1992 | 1994 | 1998 | 2000 |
| All $4^{\text {th }}$-graders | 0.9 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| Male | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 1.1 |
| Female | 1.0 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 0.9 |

## Trends in the Achievement Gap in Reading Between White and Black Students

| TableS8a | Standard errors for thedifferencein average reading scale scores of 9-, 13-, and 17-year-old White and Black students: 1971-99 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age | 1971 | 1975 | 1980 | 1984 | 1988 | 1990 | 1992 | 1994 | 1996 | 1999 |
| 9 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 1.3 | 2.8 | 3.2 | 2.4 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 2.8 |
| 13 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.1 | 2.6 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.7 |
| 17 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 1.2 | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.5 | 4.2 | 3.0 | 2.3 |

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. (2000). NAEP 1999 Trends in Academic Progress: Three Decades of Student Performance (NCES 2000-469) and National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), 1999 Long-Tem Trend Assessment, unpubbished data produced by the Educational Testing Service.

Table S8b Standard errorsforthe change in average reading scale scores for 17-year-olds, by race and score quartile: 1971-88 and 1988-99

| Score quartile | Difference <br> $\mathbf{1 9 7 1 - 8 8}$ | Difference <br> $\mathbf{1 9 8 8 - 9 9}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  | Black |  |
| Lower quartile | 2.8 | 4.0 |
| Middle two quartiles | 2.0 | 2.5 |
| Upper quartile | 3.2 | 3.8 |
|  | White |  |
| Lower quartile | 1.4 | 2.5 |
| Middle two quartiles | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Upper quartile | 1.9 | 2.3 |

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. (2000). NAEP 1999 Trends in Academic Progress: Three Decades of Student Performance (NCES 2000-469) and National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), 1999 Long-Term Trend Assessment, unpublished data produced by the Educational Testing Service.

## International Comparisons of Reading Literacy

Table S9 Standard errorsforthe average reading literacy score of 15-year-olds, by country: 2000

| Country | Combined reading literacy score |
| :--- | :--- |
| International average | $\mathbf{0 . 6}$ |
| Australia | 3.5 |
| Austria | 2.4 |
| Belgium | 3.6 |
| Brazil | 3.1 |
| Canada | 1.6 |
| Czech Republic | 2.4 |
| Denmark | 2.4 |
| Finland | 2.6 |
| France | 2.7 |
| Germany | 2.5 |
| Greece | 5.0 |
| Hungary | 4.0 |
| Celand | 1.5 |
| Ireland | 3.2 |
| Italy | 2.9 |
| Japan | 5.2 |
| Korea, Republic of | 2.4 |
| Latvia | 5.3 |
| Liechtenstein | 4.1 |
| Luxembourg | 1.6 |
| Mexico | 3.3 |
| New Zealand | 2.8 |
| Norway | 2.8 |
| Poland | 4.5 |
| Portugal | 4.5 |
| Russian Federation | 4.2 |
| Spain | 2.7 |
| Sweden | 2.2 |
| Switzerland | 4.2 |
| United Kingdom | 2.6 |
| United States | 7.0 |
| SouRC: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. (2001). Outcomes of Learning: Results from the 2000 Program for International Student Assessment of $15-$ Year-0lds in Reading, Mathematics, and Science Literacy (NCES |  |
| 2002- 115). |  |

## Mathematics Performance of Students in Grades 4, 8, and 12

| Table S10 Standarderrorsforthe average mathematicsscale scoresfor $4^{\text {th }}$, $8^{\text {th }}$ - , and $12^{\text {th }}$-graders: $1990,1992,1996$, and 2000 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Average scale score | 1990 | 1992 | 1996 | 2000 |
| Grade 4 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 0.9 |
| Grade 8 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 0.8 |
| Grade 12 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 0.9 |

## Poverty and Student Achievement

Table S11 Standard errors for the average scale score of public school students in $4^{\text {th }}$-grade mathematics, by the percentage of students in the school eligible for free or reduced-price lunch and whether the student was eligible for free or reduced-price lunch: 2000

| Characteristic | $\mathbf{0 - 1 0}$ percent | $\mathbf{1 1 - 2 5}$ percent | $\mathbf{2 6 - 5 0}$ percent | $\mathbf{5 1 - 7 5}$ percent | More than 75 percent |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| All students | $\mathbf{1 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 6}$ |
| Student is eligible for <br> free or reduced-price lunch |  |  |  |  |  |
| Eligible |  |  |  |  |  |

\#Too few sample cases for a reliable estimate.
SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), unpublished data provided by the Educational Testing Service, 2000.

## Science Performance of Students in Grades 4, 8, and 12

Table S12 Standard errorsfor the percentage distribution of students performing at each science achievement level, by grade: 2000

| Achievement level | Grade 4 | Grade 8 | Grade 12 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Below Basic | 0.8 | 0.8 | 1.1 |
| Basic | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.7 |
| Proficient | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.9 |
| Advanced | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.3 |

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. (forthcoming). The Nation's Report Card: Science 2000 (NCES 2002-451).

## Education and Health

Table S14 Standard errors for the percentage of the population age 25 and above who reported being in excellent or very good health, by educational attainment and family income: 1997

| Family income | Less than <br> high school | High school <br> diploma or <br> equivalent | Some college, <br> including <br> vocational/ <br> technical | Bachelor's <br> degree or <br> higher |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Less than $\$ 20,000$ | 1.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 1.4 |
| $\$ 20,000-34,999$ | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.3 |
| $\$ 35,000-54,999$ | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.6 |  |
| $\$ 5,000-74,999$ | 1.7 | 0.7 | 0.5 |  |
| $\$ 75,000$ or more | 3.2 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.5 |

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## Civic Performance of U.S. Students in an International Perspective

## Table S15 Standard errors for the averagetotal civic knowledge and civic content and civic skills subscale performance of gth $^{\text {th }}$-grade students, by score and

 country: 1999| Country | Total civic knowledge | Subscales |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Civic content | Civic skills |
| Australia | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.8 |
| Belgium (French) | 0.9 | 0.9 | 1.0 |
| Bulgaria | 1.3 | 1.1 | 1.3 |
| Chile | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.8 |
| Colombia | 0.9 | 0.8 | 1.2 |
| Cyprus | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Czech Republic | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| Denmark | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| England | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.7 |
| Estonia | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Finland | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.6 |
| Germany | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Greece | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.7 |
| Hong Kong (SAR) | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Hungary | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.7 |
| Italy | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.7 |
| Latvia | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.8 |
| Lithuania | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 |
| Norway | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 |
| Poland | 1.7 | 1.3 | 1.7 |
| Portugal | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 |
| Romania | 0.9 | 1.0 | 0.7 |
| Russian Federation | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 |
| Slovak Republic | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 |
| Slovenia | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 |
| Sweden | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.7 |
| Switzerland | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| United States | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.0 |

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## Annual Earnings of Young Adults

TableS16a Standard errors for the ratio of median annual earnings of all wage and salary workers ages $25-34$ whose highest education level was grades 9-11, some college, or a bachelor's degree or higher, compared with those with a high school diploma or GED, by sex: March 1971-2000

| Year | Grades 9-11 |  | Some college |  | Bachelor's degree or higher |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Male | Female | Male | Female | Male | Female |
| 1971 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.08 | 0.02 | 0.08 |
| 1972 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.07 | 0.02 | 0.07 |
| 1973 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.06 |
| 1974 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.06 |
| 1975 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.06 |
| 1976 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.05 |
| 1977 | 0.03 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.05 |
| 1978 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.05 |
| 1979 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.04 |
| 1980 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.04 |
| 1981 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.04 |
| 1982 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.05 |
| 1983 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.04 |
| 1984 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.05 | 0.04 |
| 1985 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.04 |
| 1986 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.04 |
| 1987 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.04 |
| 1988 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.03 |
| 1989 | 0.03 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.04 |
| 1990 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.04 |
| 1991 | 0.03 | 0.05 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.04 |
| 1992 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.05 |
| 1993 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.06 |
| 1994 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.05 |
| 1995 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.06 |
| 1996 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.05 |
| 1997 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.05 |
| 1998 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.05 |
| 1999 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.03 |
| 2000 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.04 |

NOTE:The Current Population Survey (CPS) questions used to obtain educational attainment were changed in 1992 . In 1994 , the survey methodology for the CPS was changed and weights were adjusted. See Supplemental Note 2 for further discussion. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) was used to adjust earnings into constant dollars; see Supplemental Note 1.
SOURCE: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. March Current Population Surveys, 1972-2001.

## Annual Earnings of Young Adults

Table S16b Standard errors forthe difference in average annual earnings(in constant 2000 dollars) for all wage and salary workers ages 25-34 between the highest and lowest quartiles, by sex and educational attainment: March 1971-2000

| Year | Male |  |  |  | Female |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Grades } \\ 9-11 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | High school diploma or GED | Some college | Bachelor's degree or higher | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Grades } \\ 9-11 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | High school diploma or GED | Some college | Bachelor's degree or higher |
| 1971 | \$1,144 | \$668 | \$1,187 | \$1,488 | \$893 | \$549 | \$1,187 | \$1,595 |
| 1972 | 1,274 | 580 | 1,049 | 1,458 | 1,053 | 695 | 1,019 | 1,489 |
| 1973 | 1,275 | 707 | 1,487 | 1,197 | 920 | 605 | 958 | 1,301 |
| 1974 | 1,164 | 740 | 1,185 | 1,139 | 857 | 632 | 1,062 | 1,405 |
| 1975 | 1,158 | 698 | 1,124 | 822 | 1,012 | 483 | 794 | 1,176 |
| 1976 | 1,290 | 714 | 1,000 | 1,170 | 810 | 526 | 992 | 926 |
| 1977 | 1,587 | 670 | 828 | 912 | 834 | 590 | 964 | 914 |
| 1978 | 1,467 | 798 | 1,057 | 873 | 792 | 598 | 760 | 1,176 |
| 1979 | 1,479 | 661 | 875 | 792 | 915 | 443 | 811 | 1,062 |
| 1980 | 1,010 | 533 | 708 | 898 | 926 | 510 | 883 | 785 |
| 1981 | 1,104 | 472 | 848 | 834 | 784 | 453 | 695 | 994 |
| 1982 | 1,180 | 547 | 850 | 1,176 | 911 | 540 | 800 | 770 |
| 1983 | 952 | 654 | 847 | 1,022 | 920 | 545 | 621 | 965 |
| 1984 | 1,265 | 601 | 770 | 732 | 1,026 | 515 | 680 | 645 |
| 1985 | 1,436 | 554 | 976 | 942 | 888 | 478 | 856 | 830 |
| 1986 | 1,055 | 498 | 1,071 | 823 | 745 | 443 | 896 | 827 |
| 1987 | 1,072 | 500 | 983 | 1,115 | 807 | 394 | 721 | 742 |
| 1988 | 1,167 | 549 | 917 | 1,226 | 755 | 423 | 682 | 1,095 |
| 1989 | 927 | 615 | 688 | 804 | 696 | 391 | 656 | 996 |
| 1990 | 944 | 616 | 737 | 870 | 867 | 495 | 730 | 772 |
| 1991 | 854 | 709 | 760 | 1,325 | 616 | 481 | 795 | 908 |
| 1992 | 686 | 703 | 914 | 1,389 | 1,216 | 492 | 622 | 915 |
| 1993 | 758 | 779 | 828 | 897 | 1,044 | 495 | 744 | 736 |
| 1994 | 888 | 720 | 1,112 | 1,023 | 838 | 463 | 609 | 752 |
| 1995 | 915 | 521 | 843 | 1,485 | 917 | 502 | 556 | 654 |
| 1996 | 743 | 526 | 650 | 1,453 | 1,031 | 446 | 563 | 702 |
| 1997 | 943 | 500 | 774 | 1,982 | 910 | 495 | 483 | 1,248 |
| 1998 | 1,095 | 801 | 888 | 1,691 | 1,015 | 638 | 514 | 616 |
| 1999 | 869 | 471 | 503 | 1,568 | 802 | 741 | 838 | 855 |
| 2000 | 1,153 | 547 | 1,165 | 1,386 | 1,286 | 509 | 664 | 794 |

NOTE:The Current Population Survey (CPS) questions used to obtain educational attainment were changed in 1992. In 1994, the survey methodology for the CPS was changed and weights were adjusted. See Supplemental Note 2 for further discussion. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) was used to adjust earnings into constant dollars; see Supplemental Note 1.
SOURCE: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. March Current Population Surveys, 1972-2001.

## Students' Absence From School

Table S17 Standard errors for the percentage distributions of $8^{\text {th }}$., $10^{\text {th }}$, and $12^{\text {th }}$-grade studentsby how many school days they missed in a 4-week period from skipping school, and for reasonsother than skipping or illness: 2000

| Students | Skipped school |  |  | Absent for other reasons |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1 day $\quad$2 or more <br> days |  |  |  | more |
|  | 0 days |  |  | 0 days | 1 day | days |
| 8th-graders | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.5 |
| 10th-graders | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| 12th-graders | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.7 |

SOURCE: University of Michigan, Institute for Social Research. Monitoring the Future $8^{\text {th }}$, $10^{\text {th }}$, and $12^{\text {th }}$-Grade Studies, 2000.

## $12^{\text {th }}$-Graders' Effort and Interest in School

TableS18 Standard errorsfor the percentage of $12^{\text {th }}$-graders who expressed variousopinions about their school experience: 1983, 1990, 1995, and 2000

| Year | School work is often <br> or always meaningful | Courses are quite <br> or very interesting | School learning will be quite/ <br> very important in later life |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1983 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| 1990 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.0 |
| 1995 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 1.0 |
| 2000 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.1 |

[^2]
## Status Dropout Rates, by Race/Ethnicity

## Table S19 Standard errorsfor thedropout rates of 16-to 24-yearolds, by race/ethnicity: October 1972-2000

| Year | Race/ethnicity (percent) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | White | Black | Hispanic |
| 1972 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.1 | 2.2 |
| 1973 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.1 | 2.2 |
| 1974 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.1 | 2.1 |
| 1975 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.1 | 2.0 |
| 1976 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 2.0 |
| 1977 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 2.0 |
| 1978 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 2.0 |
| 1979 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 2.0 |
| 1980 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 1.9 |
| 1981 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 1.8 |
| 1982 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 1.9 |
| 1983 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 1.9 |
| 1984 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 1.9 |
| 1985 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 1.9 |
| 1986 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 1.9 |
| 1987 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 1.8 |
| 1988 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 2.3 |
| 1989 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 2.2 |
| 1990 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 1.9 |
| 1991 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 1.9 |
| 1992 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 1.9 |
| 1993 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 1.8 |
| 1994 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 1.2 |
| 1995 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 1.2 |
| 1996 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 1.1 |
| 1997 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 1.1 |
| 1998 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 1.1 |
| 2000 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 1.1 |

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. October Current Population Surveys, 1972-2000.

## Immediate Transition to College

Table S20 Standard errorsfor the immediate enrollment in postsecondary education, by race/ethnicity: October 1972-2000

|  | Actual rates of enrollment |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | White | Black | Hispanic |
| 1972 | 1.4 | 4.6 | 9.7 |
| 1973 | 1.4 | 4.3 | 9.0 |
| 1974 | 1.4 | 4.6 | 8.9 |
| 1975 | 1.4 | 4.7 | 8.4 |
| 1976 | 1.4 | 4.8 | 8.0 |
| 1977 | 1.4 | 4.7 | 8.0 |
| 1978 | 1.4 | 4.5 | 8.4 |
| 1979 | 1.4 | 4.7 | 7.9 |
| 1980 | 1.4 | 4.4 | 8.7 |
| 1981 | 1.4 | 4.4 | 8.2 |
| 1982 | 1.5 | 4.3 | 8.0 |
| 1983 | 1.6 | 4.3 | 9.0 |
| 1984 | 1.5 | 4.1 | 7.7 |
| 1985 | 1.6 | 4.8 | 9.8 |
| 1986 | 1.6 | 4.4 | 8.9 |
| 1987 | 1.7 | 4.8 | 8.3 |
| 1988 | 1.8 | 4.9 | 10.1 |
| 1989 | 1.9 | 5.3 | 10.5 |
| 1990 | 1.8 | 5.1 | 10.8 |
| 1991 | 1.8 | 5.2 | 9.6 |
| 1992 | 1.8 | 4.9 | 8.5 |
| 1993 | 1.9 | 5.3 | 8.2 |
| 1994 | 1.6 | 4.4 | 6.3 |
| 1995 | 1.6 | 4.2 | 4.9 |
| 1996 | 1.7 | 4.0 | 5.8 |
| 1997 | 1.6 | 4.1 | 4.5 |
| 1998 | 1.6 | 4.0 | 4.9 |
| 1999 | 1.6 | 3.9 | 4.8 |
| 2000 | 1.7 | 4.1 | 5.0 |

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. October Current Population Surveys, 1972-2000.

## College Qualifications and College Enrollment

| Table S21 | percentage of colleg lyincome | raduates who enro | ation by 1994, bytype |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Family income |  |  |
|  | Less than \$25,000 | \$25,000-74,999 | \$75,000 or more |
| College-qualified, total |  |  |  |
| Any 4-year | 1.8 | 1.3 | 1.5 |
| Public 2-year | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| Other less-than-4-year | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.4 |
| College-qualified and took steps toward admission |  |  |  |
| Any 4-year | 1.7 | 1.3 | 1.2 |
| Public 2-year | 1.6 | 1.2 | 1.0 |
| Other less-than-4-year | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.3 |

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. National Education Longitudinal Study of 1988, "Third Follow-up" (NELS: 1988/1994).

## Enrollment of Students With Risk Factors

TableS22a Standard errorsforthe percentage of 1992 high school graduateswith risk factors for low educational attainment, and percentage distribution according to type of institution in which first enrolled (by 1994)

|  |  |  | Type of institution first enrolled |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

[^3]
## Enrollment of Students With Risk Factors

Table S22b Standard errors for the percentage of 1992 high school graduates with risk factors who had enrolled in a 4-year college by 1994, by selected student characteristics

| Student's $10^{\text {th }}$-grade aspirations |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Less than a bachelor's degree | 0.8 |
| Bachelor's degree or higher | 1.2 |
| High school mathematics |  |
| Non- or low-academic | 0.8 |
| Middle academic I | 1.0 |
| Middle academic II | 1.8 |
| Advanced academic | 1.8 |
| Academic preparation |  |
| Not prepared | (\#) |
| At least minimally prepared | 1.2 |
| Help with postsecondary application |  |
| High school did not help | 1.1 |
| High school helped | 1.4 |
| Extracurricular activities: 1990 |  |
| None | 1.5 |
| One | 1.2 |
| Two or more | 1.4 |
| Parents' highest educational level |  |
| High school diploma or less | 1.1 |
| Some postsecondary education | 1.3 |
| Bachelor's degree or higher | 2.2 |
| School-related discussions with parents: 1992 |  |
| Infrequent or none | 1.5 |
| Moderately frequent | 1.2 |
| Very frequent | 1.8 |
| Friends who plan to attend 4-year college |  |
| None to some | 1.1 |
| Most | 1.4 |
| \#700 small to report. |  |
| SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. National Education Longitudinal Study of 1988 Eighth Graders, "Third Follow-up" (NELS:1988/1994). |  |

## High School Academic Preparation and Postsecondary Progress

| Table S23 | Standard errors for the percentage of 1995-96 beginning postsecondary studentswho persisted toward a bachelor'sdegree, by the academic rigor of their secondary school curriculum and first-generation status: June 1998 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Curriculum | First-generation | At least one parent has bachelor's degree |
| Total | 1.7 | 1.2 |
| Core or lower | 3.3 | 2.6 |
| Mid-level | 2.9 | 2.2 |
| Rigorous | 4.1 | 2.0 |

## Persistence of Students With Pell Grants

Table S24 Standard errors for the percentage of low- and middle-income 1995-96 beginning postsecondary students who persisted, by receipt of Pell Grant and type of institution: 1998

| Type of institution | Pell Grant recipient | Nonrecipient |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Public 2-year | 4.1 | 2.8 |
| Public 4-year | 2.0 | 1.7 |
| Private not-for-profit 4-year |  |  |
| Total | 3.2 | 2.1 |
| Rigorous curriculum | 3.8 | 3.3 |

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. Beginning Postsecondary Students Longitudinal Study, "First Follow-up" (BPS:1996/1998).

## Educational Attainment

## Table S25 Standard errorsfor percentage of 25- to 29-year-oldswho completed high school, at least somecollege, and a bachelor'sdegree or higher, by race/ ethnicity: March 1971-2001

| March | High school completion |  |  |  | At least some college |  |  |  | Bachelor's degree or higher |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | All | White | Black | Hispanic | All | White | Black | Hispanic | All | White | Black | Hispanic |
| 1971 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 2.2 | 2.9 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 1.3 |
| 1972 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 2.1 | 2.9 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| 1973 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 2.0 | 2.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.2 | 1.2 |
| 1974 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.9 | 2.5 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 1.1 |
| 1975 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.8 | 2.5 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| 1976 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.7 | 2.5 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.3 | 1.3 |
| 1977 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.7 | 2.5 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 2.2 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.3 | 1.3 |
| 1978 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.6 | 2.3 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| 1979 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.6 | 2.3 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.2 | 1.2 |
| 1980 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.5 | 2.2 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| 1981 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 1.5 | 2.1 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 1.1 |
| 1982 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 2.1 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 1.2 | 1.3 |
| 1983 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 2.2 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 1.2 | 1.3 |
| 1984 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 2.1 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 1.3 |
| 1985 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 2.1 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 1.4 |
| 1986 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.3 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| 1987 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.3 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 1.1 |
| 1988 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.5 | 2.3 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 1.5 |
| 1989 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 2.2 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| 1990 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| 1991 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| 1992 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| 1993 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| 1994 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.5 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 0.7 |
| 1995 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.5 | 1.1 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 0.7 |
| 1996 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.6 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 0.8 |
| 1997 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 1.6 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 0.8 |
| 1998 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1.6 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 0.8 |
| 1999 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1.6 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 1.2 | 0.7 |
| 2000 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1.7 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 1.3 | 0.7 |
| 2001 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1.7 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 1.3 | 0.8 |

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. March Current Population Surveys, 1971-2001.

## Trends in Science and Mathematics Coursetaking

| Table S26 Standarderrorsforthe percentage of highest course completed: Select | Standard errorsfor the percentage of high school graduateswho completed middle or advanced level science and mathematicscourses, by level of highest course completed: Selected years 1982 to 1998 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1982 | 1987 | 1990 | 1992 | 1994 | 1998 |
| Science |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Advanced academic level |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chemistry II or physics II or advanced biology | 0.7 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 1.3 |
| Chemistry I and physics I | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1.1 |
| Chemistry I or physics I | 0.5 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.3 |
| Middle academic level |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| General biology | 1.0 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.1 |
| Mathematics |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Advanced academic level |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Level III | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.9 |
| Level II | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1.1 |
| Level I | 0.6 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 1.2 |
| Middle academic level |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Level II | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 1.1 |
| Level I | 0.8 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 1.0 |

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. High School and Beyond Longitudinal Study of 1980 Sophomores, "First Follow-up" (HS\&B:1980/1982); National Education Longitudinal Study of 1988, "High School Transcript Study" (NELS:1988/1992); and National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) High School Transcript Studies, 1987, 1990, 1992, 1994, and 1998.

## Coursetaking in Science and Mathematics

## TableS27a Standard errors for the percentage of high school graduates who completed some advanced level coursework in science or mathematics, by

 race/ethnicity: 1998| Race/ethnicity | Advanced academic science | Advanced academic mathematics |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 4}$ |
| White | 1.6 | 1.6 |
| Black | 2.2 | 2.1 |
| Hispanic | 3.3 | 2.1 |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 2.0 | 2.7 |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 4.6 | 4.0 |

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) High School Transcript Study, 1998.

TableS27b Standard errors for the percentage distribution of 1998 high school graduates according to highest level of science courses completed, by student and school characteristics: 1998

| Student and school characteristics | No science | Low academic level |  |  | General biology | Advanced academic level |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Primary physical science | Secondary physical science and basic biology | Total |  | Chemistry I or physics I | Chemistry I and physics I | Chemistry II or physics II or advanced biology | Total |
| Total | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.5 |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 1.3 | 1.8 |
| Female | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.6 |
| Race/ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 1.6 |
| Black | 0.2 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 2.2 |
| Hispanic | 0.2 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 2.6 | 1.6 | 2.8 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 3.3 |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | (\#) | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 2.8 | 3.8 | 2.2 | 2.0 |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | ve ( $\dagger$ ) | 1.4 | 2.2 | 1.6 | 5.0 | 3.6 | 3.9 | 1.6 | 4.6 |
| Met Core New Basics |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yes | ( $\dagger$ ) | ( $\dagger$ ) | 0.2 | 0.2 | 1.6 | 2.4 | 2.8 | 2.1 | 1.6 |
| No | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 1.6 |
| Control of school |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Public | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 1.3 | 1.4 |
| Private | ( $\dagger$ | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 5.4 | 5.1 | 8.3 | 4.3 | 5.7 |
| School enrollment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less than 300 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 2.5 | 2.1 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 2.9 |
| 300-999 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 1.5 | 1.9 | 4.8 | 4.2 | 6.3 | 5.8 | 5.6 |
| 1,000 or more | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.7 |
| \#roo small to report. <br> $\dagger$ Not applicable. <br> SOURCE: US. Department of Education, NCES. National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) High School Transcript Study, 1998. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Coursetaking in Science and Mathematics

 student and school characteristics: 1998

| Student and school characteristics | No mathematics | Nonacademic | Low academic | Middle academic |  |  | Advanced academic |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Level I | Level II | Total | Level I | Level II | Level III | Total |
| Total | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 1.4 |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 1.1 | 1.4 | 0.9 | 1.8 |
| Female | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.4 |
| Race/ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 1.6 |
| Black | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 0.9 | 1.7 | 2.1 |
| Hispanic | 0.2 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 2.1 |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 2.1 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 3.4 | 2.7 |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 0.7 | 2.3 | 1.7 | 3.2 | 3.5 | 3.9 | 1.9 | 3.6 | 2.2 | 4.0 |
| Met Core New Basics |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yes | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 1.7 |
| No | 0.2 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 1.7 | 1.1 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 0.6 | 1.8 |
| Control of school |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Public | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 1.3 |
| Private | ( $\dagger$ | 0.3 | 0.3 | 3.4 | 4.0 | 6.2 | 3.7 | 5.4 | 4.9 | 6.5 |
| School enrollment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less than 300 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 1.6 | 2.3 | 2.1 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 0.9 | 2.1 |
| 300-999 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 2.7 | 3.3 | 5.3 | 4.0 | 5.7 | 4.0 | 5.9 |
| 1,000 or more | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.5 |

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## Parental Choice of Schools

Table S29 Standard errors for the percentage distribution of students in grades 1-12, by school type: 1993 and 1999

| School type | $\mathbf{1 9 9 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 9}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Public, assigned | 0.4 | 0.4 |
| Public, chosen | 0.4 | 0.4 |
| Private, church-related | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| Private, not church-related | 0.1 | 0.1 |

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. National Household Education Surveys Program (NHES), "School Readiness" survey, 1993; "School Safety and Discipline" survey, 1993;"PParent and Family Involvement" survey, 1996; and "Parent Interview" survey, 1999.

## Public Charter Schools

## Table S30 Standard errors for the percentage of public charter schools, by community type, school level, and school origin status: 1999-2000

| Selected school characteristics | Percentage of schools |
| :--- | :---: |
| Community type <br> Central city | 0.8 |
| Urban fringe/large town | 0.7 |
| Rural/small town | 0.6 |
| School level <br> Elementary | 0.6 |
| Combined | 0.6 |
| Secondary | 0.5 |
| School origin status | 0.6 |
| Newly created | 0.4 |
| Pre-existing public | 0.4 |
| Pre-existing private |  |

## Academic Background of College Graduates Who Enter and Leave Teaching



## Educational Background of Teachers

Table S32 Standard errors for the percentage distribution of secondary school teachers according to the type of undergraduate or graduate major, by control of school and years of teaching experience: 1999-2000

| Teacher and school characteristics | Total | Academic <br> subject | Subject area <br> specialization | General <br> education | Other <br> education |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Total | $\mathbf{0 . 0 7}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 1 2}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 1 0}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 0 8}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 0 5}$ |
| Control <br> Public | 0.07 | 0.12 | 0.10 | 0.08 | 0.06 |
| Private | 0.27 | 0.20 | 0.24 | 0.23 | 0.10 |
| Years of teaching experience <br> 3 or fewer | 0.17 | 0.23 | 0.19 | 0.14 | 0.09 |
| $4-9$ | 0.17 | 0.19 | 0.16 | 0.13 | 0.12 |
| $10-19$ | 0.11 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 0.09 |
| 20 or more | 0.10 | 0.11 | 0.11 | 0.11 | 0.08 |
| SOURCE: US. Department of Education, NCES. Schools and Staffing Survey (SASS), "Public, Public Charter, and Private School Teacher Surveys," $1999-2000$. |  |  |  |  |  |

## Participation in Professional Development

| Table S33 | Standard errorsfor the percentage of publicelementary and secondary school teachers who participated in professional development during the past 12 months who believed the activity improved their classroom teaching "a lot," by focus of activity and hours of participation in selected activities: 2000 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Focus of professional development activity |  | Hours of participation |  |
|  |  | 1-8 | More than 8 |
| State or d | ct curriculum and performance standards | 0.9 | 1.3 |
| New meth | s of teaching (e.g., cooperative learning) | 1.0 | 1.9 |
| Addressing | he needs of students with disabilities | 1.2 | 2.9 |
| Encouragin | parental and community involvement | 0.7 | 2.7 |
| Classroom | anagement, including student discipline | 1.1 | 2.8 |
| Addressing | he needs of students from diverse cultural backgrounds | 1.0 | 2.9 |
| Addressing | , needs of students with limited English proficiency | 1.2 | 3.5 |
| SOURCE:US. Department of Education, NCES. (2001). Teacher Preparation and Professional Development: 2000 (NCES 2001-088). |  |  |  |

## Student Victimization

TableS34 Standard errorsfor the percentage of students ages 12-18 who reported criminal victimization at school according to type of victimization, by their perception of conditionsat school: 1999

|  |  | Victimization |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| Perception of conditions at school | Response rate | Any | Violent | Property |
| Total |  | $\mathbf{0 . 4}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 4}$ |
| Street gangs at school <br> Yes | 0.6 | 1.2 | 0.7 | 1.0 |
| No | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.4 |
| Knew a student who brought a gun to school <br> Yes | 0.4 | 1.8 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| No | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.4 |
| Saw a student with a gun at school <br> Yes | 0.2 | 3.0 | 1.9 | 2.4 |
| No | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.4 |

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. (forthcoming). Are America's Schools Safe? Kids Speak Out (NCES 2002-146).

## Undergraduate Diversity

## Table S35 Standard errors for the percentage of undergraduates with selected student characteristics: 1999-2000

Selected characteristics

| Sex <br> Male | 0.4 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Female | 0.4 |
| Race/ethnicity <br> White | 0.8 |
| Black | 0.6 |
| Hispanic | 0.7 |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 0.2 |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 0.1 |
| Age |  |
| 18 and under | 0.2 |
| $19-23$ | 0.5 |
| $24-29$ | 0.3 |
| $30-39$ | 0.3 |
| 40 and above | 0.3 |
| 50 URCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. National Postsecondary Student Aid Study (NPSAS:2000). |  |

## Perceived Impact of Work on Postsecondary Learning

Table S37 Standard errorsfor the percentage reporting variouseffects of work on their schooling, and the percentage who borrowed, of undergraduates who considered themselves primarily students but worked to help pay for school expenses, by average hours worked per week: 1999-2000

|  | Effects of working |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Limited <br> number of <br> classes | Limited <br> class <br> schedule | Limited <br> access to <br> library | Reduced <br> class <br> choice | Negative <br> effect on <br> grades | Borrowed <br> to pay <br> for education |
| Total | $\mathbf{0 . 6}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 6}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 6}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 6}$ |
| $1-15$ | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.9 |
| $16-20$ | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| $21-34$ | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| 35 or more | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.0 |

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. National Postsecondary Student Aid Study (NPSAS:2000).

## Student Participation in Distance Education

Table S38 Standard errors forthe percentage of undergraduateswho participated in distance education dassesat postsecondary institutions, and percentage of participantswith various experienceswith distance education: 1999-2000

| Distance education characteristics | Total | 2-year public | 4-year |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Total | Public | Private not-for-profit |
| Total percentage participating | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| Percentage of participants |  |  |  |  |  |
| Type of distance education |  |  |  |  |  |
| Live TV/audio | 1.5 | 2.6 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 3.0 |
| Prerecorded audio/TV | 1.7 | 3.1 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 2.8 |
| Internet | 1.6 | 2.9 | 1.6 | 2.0 | 2.5 |
| Entire program available through distance education | 1.2 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 2.1 | 2.8 |
| Level of satisfaction with distance education classes compared with regular classes Total | ( $\dagger$ ) | ( $\dagger$ ) | ( $\dagger$ ) | ( $\dagger$ ) | ( $\dagger$ ) |
| More satisfied | 1.1 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 1.9 | 2.1 |
| Equally satisfied | 1.4 | 2.5 | 1.6 | 2.0 | 2.6 |
| Less satisfied | 1.2 | 2.0 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 1.9 |

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## Status of Women and Minority Faculty

## Table S39 Standard errors for the percentage of full-time instructional faculty and staff having selected characteristics and their average base salary (in constant 1998 dollars), by sexand race/ethnicity: Fall 1992 and 1998

| Faculty characteristics | Percentage of all full-time instructional faculty and staff who: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Average base salary of full-time instructional faculty and staff |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Taught at public doctoral, research, and medical institutions |  | Ranked as a full professor |  | Had tenure |  | Had a doctorate or firstprofessional degree |  |  |  |
|  | 1992 | 1998 | 1992 | 1998 | 1992 | 1998 | 1992 | 1998 | 1992 | 1998 |
| Total | 1.6 | 1.8 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.8 | \$780 | \$689 |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 1.7 | 2.0 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 1,037 | 835 |
| Female | 1.3 | 1.6 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 544 | 641 |
| Race/ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 1.6 | 1.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 842 | 728 |
| Black | 2.7 | 2.7 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 1,430 | 1,060 |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 3.2 | 3.4 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 2,708 | 1,575 |
| Hispanic | 3.7 | 4.1 | 2.3 | 3.5 | 2.8 | 3.5 | 3.0 | 3.4 | 1,072 | 1,950 |
| American Indian/ Alaska Native | 4.8 | 7.0 | 4.0 | 4.7 | 6.3 | 5.5 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 13,795 | 3,009 |

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. National Study of Postsecondary Faculty (NSOPF:1993 and NSOPF:1999).

## Parents' Attitudes Toward Schools

Table S40 Standard errorsforthe percentage of children in grades3-12 whose parentswere very satisfied with their schools, by family income: 1993 and 1999

| Household income | $\mathbf{1 9 9 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 9 9}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| $\$ 10,000$ or less | 1.9 | 2.2 |
| $\$ 10,001-20,000$ | 1.4 | 1.8 |
| $\$ 20,001-35,000$ | 1.4 | 1.1 |
| $\$ 35,001-50,000$ | 1.4 | 1.4 |
| More than $\$ 50,000$ | 0.9 | 1.0 |
| SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. National Household Education Surveys Program (NHES), "School Safety and Discipline" survey, 1993 and "Parent Interview" survey, 1999. |  |  |

## Net Price of College Attendance

## Table S44 Standard errors for the average price of college attendance and student financial aid for dependent full-time, full-year undergraduates, by type of institution and family income: Academic year 1999-2000

| Type of institution <br> and family income <br> Total$\quad \mathbf{1 2 1 . 6}$ | Total price | Grants | Net price | Student <br> loans | Student <br> earnings |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Public 4-year | 77.6 | 136.7 | $\mathbf{7 4 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 1 . 6}$ | $\mathbf{4 0 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{8 8 . 9}$ |
| Low income | 119.9 | 204.3 | 42.8 | 106.2 | 47.2 | 98.5 |
| Lower middle | 97.5 | 124.1 | 119.6 | 167.6 | 101.3 | 189.1 |
| Upper middle | 99.8 | 120.2 | 78.6 | 124.1 | 81.6 | 169.2 |
| High income | 110.5 | 123.8 | 73.1 | 126.0 | 79.4 | 167.2 |
| Private not-for-profit 4-year | 254.3 | 278.9 | 63.9 | 129.5 | 63.2 | 163.4 |
| Low income | 532.3 | 640.4 | 398.3 | 271.6 | 92.4 | 573.0 |
| Lower middle | 329.6 | 368.8 | 376.7 | 430.8 | 211.3 | 652.0 |
| Upper middle | 307.4 | 337.7 | 374.0 | 384.5 | 170.8 | 369.2 |
| High income | 248.0 | 255.5 | 195.2 | 306.9 | 163.8 | 715.9 |
| Public 2-year | 59.9 | 97.3 | 64.2 | 130.4 | 117.7 | 1863.6 |
| Low income | 82.5 | 143.8 | 126.0 | 220.9 | 54.2 | 288.7 |
| Lower middle | 85.2 | 145.1 | 70.5 | 169.9 | 157.9 | 367.1 |
| Upper middle | 82.4 | 157.7 | 70.8 | 178.6 | 46.9 | 514.3 |
| High income | 94.0 | 167.8 | 66.5 | 172.4 | 55.2 | 364.4 |

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. National Postsecondary Student Aid Study (NPSAS:2000).

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[^3]:    SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. National Education Longitudinal Study of 1988, "Third Follow-up" (NELS:1988/1994).

[^4]:    $\dagger$ Not applicable.
    SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) High School Transcript Study, 1998.

[^5]:    $\dagger$ Not applicable.
    SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, NCES. National Postsecondary Student Aid Study (NPSAS:2000).

