

Table 103.—High school graduates and dropouts in public elementary and secondary schools, by race/ethnicity and state: 1997–98

| State | High school graduates, by race/ethnicity | | | | | | Percent of 9th to 12th graders who dropped out during 1996–97, by race/ethnicity ¹ | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|--|---------------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|---|---------------------|---------------------|----------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | Total | White, non-Hispanic | Black, non-Hispanic | Hispanic | Asian or Pacific Islander | American Indian/Alaskan Native | Total | White, non-Hispanic | Black, non-Hispanic | Hispanic | Asian or Pacific Islander | American Indian/Alaskan Native |
| | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| United States² | 2,447,782 | 1,738,180 | 318,016 | 253,185 | 112,270 | 23,348 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Alabama | 38,089 | 25,511 | 11,590 | 155 | 341 | 492 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 5.8 | 9.9 | 3.4 | 1.8 |
| Alaska | 6,462 | 4,610 | 259 | 154 | 307 | 1,132 | 4.9 | 3.8 | 6.5 | 6.8 | 4.0 | 7.7 |
| Arizona ³ | 35,936 | 23,150 | 1,252 | 8,526 | 903 | 2,105 | 10.0 | 5.7 | 13.8 | 16.6 | 5.0 | 18.9 |
| Arkansas | 26,855 | 20,198 | 5,962 | 333 | 270 | 92 | 5.0 | 4.7 | 5.6 | 9.2 | 4.2 | 8.0 |
| California | 282,536 | 128,405 | 21,165 | 87,742 | 42,711 | 2,513 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Colorado | 35,794 | 28,235 | 1,594 | 4,612 | 1,081 | 272 | 6.0 | 4.4 | 8.4 | 12.2 | 4.5 | 11.3 |
| Connecticut | 27,885 | 21,607 | 3,154 | 2,266 | 795 | 63 | 3.9 | 2.8 | 6.5 | 9.4 | 2.4 | 4.3 |
| Delaware | 6,439 | 4,395 | 1,659 | 219 | 153 | 13 | 4.5 | 3.7 | 6.1 | 7.3 | 1.0 | 2.9 |
| District of Columbia | 2,777 | 91 | 2,320 | 168 | 198 | 0 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Florida | 98,498 | 60,399 | 21,051 | 14,104 | 2,750 | 194 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Georgia | 58,525 | 37,683 | 18,515 | 870 | 1,380 | 77 | 8.2 | 7.2 | 9.8 | 11.8 | 5.0 | 8.4 |
| Hawaii | 9,670 | 1,824 | 145 | 470 | 7,205 | 26 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Idaho | 15,523 | 14,381 | 47 | 770 | 191 | 134 | 7.2 | — | — | — | — | — |
| Illinois | 114,611 | 81,878 | 17,390 | 10,302 | 4,816 | 225 | 6.6 | 4.2 | 12.6 | 11.9 | 3.0 | 9.6 |
| Indiana | 58,899 | 52,082 | 4,954 | 1,199 | 564 | 100 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Iowa | 36,008 | 34,189 | 696 | 531 | 508 | 84 | 2.9 | 2.6 | 8.0 | 8.6 | 2.5 | 7.8 |
| Kansas | 27,856 | 24,085 | 1,699 | 1,203 | 594 | 275 | 4.6 | 3.6 | 9.9 | 12.1 | 3.8 | 6.5 |
| Kentucky | 37,270 | 33,607 | 3,007 | 171 | 224 | 261 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Louisiana | 38,030 | 21,997 | 14,834 | 443 | 583 | 173 | 11.6 | 9.6 | 13.9 | 13.9 | 11.5 | 15.6 |
| Maine | 12,171 | 11,852 | 100 | 72 | 104 | 43 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.3 | 1.3 | 3.9 | 5.7 |
| Maryland | 44,555 | 26,663 | 14,031 | 1,439 | 2,310 | 112 | 4.9 | 3.4 | 7.9 | 5.5 | 1.6 | 8.2 |
| Massachusetts | 50,452 | 41,159 | 3,824 | 3,306 | 2,088 | 75 | 3.4 | 2.7 | 5.5 | 8.1 | 2.7 | 6.0 |
| Michigan | 92,732 | 76,742 | 11,684 | 1,885 | 1,585 | 836 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Minnesota ³ | 54,688 | 49,859 | 1,578 | 841 | 1,782 | 628 | 5.5 | 4.2 | 22.0 | 16.6 | 8.1 | 20.9 |
| Mississippi | 24,502 | 12,697 | 11,585 | 51 | 141 | 28 | 6.0 | 5.2 | 6.8 | 5.9 | 3.2 | 28.0 |
| Missouri | 52,031 | 44,506 | 6,234 | 533 | 639 | 119 | 5.8 | 4.9 | 10.8 | 8.8 | 3.1 | 7.6 |
| Montana | 10,656 | 9,789 | 30 | 148 | 63 | 626 | 5.1 | 4.6 | 6.5 | 12.6 | 4.5 | 9.6 |
| Nebraska | 19,719 | 18,047 | 724 | 595 | 231 | 122 | 4.3 | 3.4 | 12.5 | 11.5 | 4.3 | 14.6 |
| Nevada | 13,052 | 9,397 | 1,056 | 1,643 | 740 | 216 | 10.2 | 8.4 | 12.7 | 16.4 | 8.5 | 13.1 |
| New Hampshire ⁴ | 10,843 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| New Jersey ⁵ | 70,028 | 47,682 | 10,217 | 7,693 | 4,324 | 112 | 3.7 | — | — | — | — | — |
| New Mexico | 16,529 | 7,270 | 353 | 7,083 | 228 | 1,595 | 7.5 | 5.5 | 9.2 | 10.4 | 4.2 | 8.8 |
| New York ³ | 141,065 | 95,086 | 18,567 | 17,369 | 9,381 | 662 | 3.4 | 2.1 | 5.1 | 6.1 | 2.6 | 4.3 |
| North Carolina | 59,292 | 40,842 | 15,873 | 804 | 1,074 | 699 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| North Dakota | 8,170 | 7,711 | 39 | 58 | 55 | 307 | 2.7 | 2.0 | 4.2 | 6.7 | 3.8 | 10.9 |
| Ohio | 111,211 | 97,425 | 10,952 | 1,375 | 1,343 | 116 | 5.2 | 4.2 | 10.7 | 11.5 | 3.3 | 9.5 |
| Oklahoma | 35,213 | 25,359 | 3,142 | 1,125 | 540 | 5,047 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Oregon | 27,754 | 24,499 | 491 | 1,289 | 1,085 | 390 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Pennsylvania | 110,919 | 95,088 | 10,801 | 2,617 | 2,327 | 86 | 3.9 | 2.7 | 9.6 | 11.6 | 3.5 | 5.3 |
| Rhode Island | 8,074 | 6,724 | 462 | 600 | 254 | 34 | 4.7 | 4.0 | 8.0 | 8.2 | 5.1 | 8.9 |
| South Carolina ⁴ | 31,951 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| South Dakota | 9,140 | 8,575 | 55 | 58 | 65 | 387 | 4.5 | 2.7 | 11.5 | 9.2 | 2.1 | 18.5 |
| Tennessee ³ | 39,866 | 30,909 | 8,181 | 261 | 471 | 44 | 5.1 | 4.0 | 8.6 | 8.2 | 3.6 | 3.7 |
| Texas | 197,186 | 104,792 | 25,165 | 60,362 | 6,263 | 604 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Utah | 31,416 | 29,246 | 128 | 1,073 | 689 | 280 | 4.5 | 3.9 | 10.7 | 12.0 | 7.4 | 11.3 |
| Vermont ⁴ | 6,469 | — | — | — | — | — | 5.0 | 4.8 | 7.5 | 13.9 | 7.4 | 9.3 |
| Virginia | 61,777 | 43,280 | 13,989 | 1,649 | 2,738 | 121 | 4.6 | 3.8 | 6.6 | 8.8 | 3.4 | 5.4 |
| Washington ^{3,6} | 54,472 | 44,102 | 2,001 | 2,977 | 4,309 | 1,052 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| West Virginia | 20,164 | 19,268 | 677 | 70 | 117 | 32 | 4.1 | 4.0 | 5.0 | 0.5 | 4.2 | 5.7 |
| Wisconsin | 57,607 | 52,073 | 2,531 | 1,284 | 1,190 | 529 | 2.7 | 1.6 | 13.1 | 8.6 | 2.7 | 5.2 |
| Wyoming | 6,416 | 5,874 | 49 | 340 | 49 | 104 | 6.2 | 5.6 | 9.6 | 11.1 | 3.3 | 17.5 |
| Outlying areas | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| American Samoa | 665 | — | — | — | 665 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Guam | 923 | 37 | 5 | 3 | 876 | 2 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Northern Marianas | 374 | 2 | — | — | 372 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Puerto Rico | 29,881 | — | — | 29,881 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Virgin Islands | 1,069 | 7 | 985 | 77 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |

—Not available.

¹ Alaska, Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Illinois, Maryland, New Jersey, South Dakota, Tennessee, Virginia, Vermont, and Wisconsin reported data on an alternative July through June cycle, rather than the specified October through September cycle.

² U.S. total includes estimates for nonreporting states, based on 1997 12th grade enrollment racial/ethnic distribution reported by state.

³ Estimates provided by state education agencies after CCD file was closed.

⁴ Racial/ethnic distribution estimated by NCES based on 1997 12th grade enrollment racial/ethnic distribution reported by state.

⁵ High school graduates are for 1996–97.

⁶ There are 31 race unknown in the total.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Common Core of Data survey; and unpublished data. (This table was prepared September 2000.)