

Table 146. Percentage of schools with various security measures, by control and selected characteristics: 1999–2000

Selected school characteristic	Total schools		Percent of schools with security measures							
	Number	Percentage distribution	Required visitor sign-in	Daily metal detector checks ¹	Random metal detector checks	Closed lunch ²	Drug sweeps	Daily presence of police or security	Video surveillance	Violence prevention program
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Public total	84,735 (284.6)	100.0	96.6 (0.2)	1.7 (0.1)	7.7 (0.2)	89.7 (0.3)	20.9 (0.4)	23.4 (0.4)	14.9 (0.4)	59.2 (0.7)
School enrollment										
Under 300	24,626 (444.2)	29.1	91.1 (0.7)	2.1 (0.4)	5.0 (0.4)	82.2 (1.0)	22.0 (1.0)	12.7 (0.9)	9.7 (0.8)	53.0 (1.3)
300 to 499	22,733 (479.2)	26.8	98.5 (0.3)	0.9 (0.2)	5.2 (0.4)	91.9 (0.6)	15.2 (0.8)	12.5 (0.8)	13.1 (0.8)	59.9 (1.3)
500 to 999	28,788 (428.8)	34.0	99.1 (0.2)	1.3 (0.2)	8.5 (0.5)	95.1 (0.5)	19.7 (0.7)	25.8 (0.7)	15.6 (0.7)	62.2 (1.2)
1,000 to 1,499	5,454 (217.2)	6.4	98.3 (0.7)	2.5 (0.6)	17.3 (1.5)	89.7 (0.8)	35.6 (1.6)	66.0 (2.4)	30.1 (1.7)	62.9 (2.1)
1,500 or more	3,133 (109.8)	3.7	99.4 (0.2)	5.9 (1.4)	23.8 (2.0)	82.2 (1.3)	38.5 (2.4)	90.3 (1.8)	35.7 (1.9)	69.9 (1.9)
Percent of students eligible for free or reduced-price school lunch										
Less than 15	19,877 (454.7)	23.5	95.1 (0.6)	0.3 (0.1)	3.6 (0.4)	84.9 (0.8)	20.4 (0.8)	23.4 (0.8)	16.7 (1.0)	54.4 (1.6)
15 to 29	16,634 (458.7)	19.6	96.7 (0.5)	0.6 (0.2)	4.6 (0.4)	88.2 (1.0)	21.1 (1.0)	20.5 (1.0)	14.9 (0.9)	55.5 (1.5)
30 to 49	18,188 (449.1)	21.5	96.9 (0.6)	1.3 (0.3)	6.9 (0.6)	89.7 (0.8)	23.0 (1.2)	20.1 (1.0)	13.0 (0.8)	61.1 (1.6)
50 to 74	15,758 (405.9)	18.6	96.7 (0.5)	2.2 (0.3)	11.8 (1.0)	92.7 (0.6)	19.5 (1.2)	21.3 (1.1)	13.3 (1.0)	62.2 (1.6)
75 to 100	14,279 (357.6)	16.9	97.8 (0.4)	4.9 (0.6)	13.4 (0.8)	94.6 (0.6)	20.2 (1.3)	33.3 (1.5)	16.4 (1.1)	64.5 (1.6)
Community type										
Central city	20,395 (303.5)	24.1	98.4 (0.3)	5.0 (0.5)	14.2 (0.8)	92.8 (0.6)	15.1 (0.9)	27.5 (1.2)	15.5 (0.8)	65.8 (1.5)
Urban fringe/large town ..	37,786 (412.5)	44.6	98.2 (0.3)	0.6 (0.1)	4.9 (0.3)	91.4 (0.6)	16.7 (0.5)	32.6 (0.7)	15.0 (0.7)	57.5 (1.0)
Rural/small town	26,555 (352.3)	31.3	92.8 (0.6)	0.7 (0.1)	6.7 (0.4)	84.9 (0.7)	31.3 (1.0)	13.8 (0.7)	14.1 (0.7)	56.7 (1.2)
Level ³										
Elementary	60,485 (249.8)	71.4	96.8 (0.3)	0.8 (0.1)	5.0 (0.3)	94.4 (0.4)	10.0 (0.5)	14.6 (0.6)	10.9 (0.5)	59.2 (0.9)
Secondary	20,885 (189.9)	24.6	96.4 (0.5)	3.1 (0.3)	13.9 (0.5)	77.3 (0.8)	49.3 (0.7)	48.1 (0.8)	25.5 (0.7)	59.1 (1.0)
Combined	3,364 (154.0)	4.0	93.4 (1.2)	8.5 (2.1)	18.9 (1.7)	82.0 (2.3)	40.0 (2.5)	28.6 (2.4)	19.7 (2.2)	61.1 (2.2)
Private total	27,223 (238.6)	100.0	80.7 (1.1)	0.6 (0.2)	0.8 (0.2)	91.6 (0.7)	4.8 (0.4)	4.8 (0.5)	8.1 (0.6)	23.6 (1.0)
School enrollment										
Under 300	21,890 (297.0)	80.4	78.2 (1.4)	0.7 (0.3)	0.8 (0.2)	91.0 (0.9)	4.2 (0.5)	3.2 (0.6)	6.4 (0.7)	21.0 (1.2)
300 to 499	3,288 (132.7)	12.1	92.8 (1.0)	# (#)	# (#)	95.3 (0.9)	4.3 (0.7)	7.1 (1.1)	12.8 (1.5)	34.4 (2.0)
500 to 999	1,752 (96.3)	6.4	89.1 (1.1)	# (#)	# (#)	92.9 (1.3)	12.4 (1.5)	14.2 (1.3)	17.0 (1.5)	33.9 (2.0)
1,000 or more	293 (32.4)	1.1	81.7 (4.7)	# (#)	# (#)	91.8 (5.9)	6.2 (1.4)	42.0 (5.4)	31.1 (5.9)	30.1 (3.7)
Percent of students eligible for free or reduced-price school lunch										
Less than 15	25,898 (280.2)	95.1	80.6 (1.2)	0.4 (0.1)	0.7 (0.2)	91.8 (0.7)	4.2 (0.4)	5.0 (0.5)	7.9 (0.7)	22.8 (0.9)
15 to 29	610 (92.9)	2.2	89.3 (4.0)	# (#)	# (#)	93.5 (3.2)	14.9 (6.6)	# (#)	5.8 (3.2)	39.4 (8.0)
30 percent or more	715 (117.7)	2.6	77.8 (7.6)	7.3 (5.5)	5.5 (2.6)	84.2 (7.4)	15.5 (5.6)	1.9 (1.1)	17.0 (4.0)	39.8 (7.1)
Community type										
Central city	11,534 (241.4)	42.4	84.9 (1.8)	0.4 (0.4)	0.6 (0.3)	92.5 (1.0)	3.9 (0.5)	6.0 (0.7)	10.8 (1.0)	25.9 (1.6)
Urban fringe/large town ..	10,860 (322.2)	39.9	83.3 (1.6)	0.9 (0.3)	1.2 (0.4)	93.6 (1.1)	4.2 (0.6)	3.7 (0.9)	7.3 (1.0)	21.3 (1.4)
Rural/small town	4,829 (256.2)	17.7	64.9 (3.3)	# (#)	# (#)	85.1 (2.2)	8.3 (1.3)	4.3 (1.3)	3.6 (1.4)	23.3 (2.5)
Level ³										
Elementary	16,562 (278.4)	60.8	80.7 (1.7)	0.3 (0.3)	0.2 (0.1)	94.0 (1.1)	1.3 (0.4)	2.6 (0.6)	7.8 (0.8)	24.6 (1.2)
Secondary	2,583 (126.4)	9.5	80.7 (2.1)	# (#)	3.5 (1.5)	84.7 (2.6)	18.8 (1.9)	15.9 (2.7)	13.1 (2.4)	31.0 (2.6)
Combined	8,078 (276.2)	29.7	80.7 (2.1)	1.1 (0.4)	1.0 (0.3)	88.9 (1.5)	7.3 (1.0)	5.7 (0.9)	7.2 (1.0)	19.1 (1.7)

Rounds to zero.

¹ All students must pass through a metal detector each day.

² All or most students are required to stay on school grounds during lunch.

³ Elementary includes schools that have grade 6 or below, with no grade higher than 8; secondary schools have no grade lower than 7; and combined schools have grades lower than 7 and higher than 8.

NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals due to rounding. Standard errors appear in parentheses.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Schools and Staffing Survey (SASS), "Public School Questionnaire," "Private School Questionnaire," and "Charter School Questionnaire," 1999–2000. (This table was prepared November 2002.)