

**Table 160. Summary of expenditures for public elementary and secondary education, by purpose: Selected years, 1919-20 to 2000-01**

Purpose of expenditures	1919-20	1929-30	1939-40	1949-50	1959-60	1969-70	1979-80	1989-90	1998-99	1999-2000 <sup>1</sup>	2000-01
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Amounts in thousands of dollars											
Total expenditures	\$1,036,151	\$2,316,790	\$2,344,049	\$5,837,643	\$15,613,255	\$40,683,429	\$95,961,561	\$212,769,564	\$355,837,818	\$381,838,155	\$411,518,072
Current expenditures for public elementary and secondary education	861,120	1,843,552	1,941,799	4,687,274	12,329,389	34,217,773	86,984,142	188,229,359	302,876,294	323,888,508	348,170,327
Administration	36,752	78,680	91,571	220,050	528,408	1,606,646	4,263,757	216,346,991	223,396,918	225,079,298	226,701,026
Instruction	632,556	1,317,727	1,403,285	3,112,340	8,350,738	23,270,158	53,257,937	2113,550,405	2186,776,182	2199,968,138	2214,239,936
Plant operation	115,707	216,072	194,365	427,587	1,085,036	2,537,257	9,744,785	20,261,415	29,396,471	31,190,295	33,928,030
Plant maintenance	30,432	78,810	73,321	214,164	422,586	974,941	( <sup>(3)</sup> )	( <sup>(3)</sup> )	( <sup>(3)</sup> )	( <sup>(3)</sup> )	( <sup>(3)</sup> )
Fixed charges	9,286	50,270	50,116	261,469	909,323	3,266,920	11,793,934	( <sup>(3)</sup> )	( <sup>(3)</sup> )	( <sup>(3)</sup> )	( <sup>(3)</sup> )
Other school services <sup>4</sup>	36,387	101,993	129,141	451,663	1,033,297	2,561,856	7,923,729	23,807,548	263,306,722	267,650,776	273,301,335
Other current expenditures	3,277	9,825	13,367	35,614	132,566	635,803	597,585	2,982,543	5,242,618	5,457,015	6,064,862
Summer schools	( <sup>(5)</sup> )	( <sup>(5)</sup> )	( <sup>(5)</sup> )	( <sup>(5)</sup> )	13,263	106,481	24,753	—	—	—	—
Adult education <sup>5</sup>	3,277	9,825	13,367	35,614	26,858	128,778	—	—	—	—	—
Community colleges	( <sup>(5)</sup> )	( <sup>(5)</sup> )	( <sup>(5)</sup> )	( <sup>(5)</sup> )	34,492	138,813	—	—	—	—	—
Community services	( <sup>(4)</sup> )	( <sup>(4)</sup> )	( <sup>(4)</sup> )	( <sup>(4)</sup> )	57,953	261,731	572,832	—	—	—	—
Capital outlay <sup>6</sup>	153,543	370,878	257,974	1,014,176	2,661,786	4,659,072	6,506,167	17,781,342	39,522,710	43,357,186	47,117,751
Interest on school debt	18,212	92,536	130,909	100,578	489,514	1,170,782	1,873,666	3,776,321	8,196,196	9,135,445	10,165,131
Percentage distribution											
Total expenditures	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Current expenditures for public elementary and secondary education	83.1	79.6	82.8	80.3	79.0	84.1	90.6	88.5	85.1	84.8	84.6
Administration	3.5	3.4	3.9	3.8	3.4	3.9	4.4	2.77	2.66	2.66	2.65
Instruction	61.0	56.9	59.9	53.3	53.5	57.2	55.5	253.4	252.5	252.4	252.1
Plant operation	11.2	9.3	8.3	7.3	6.9	6.2	10.2	28.5	28.3	28.2	28.2
Plant maintenance	2.9	3.4	3.1	3.7	2.7	2.4	( <sup>(3)</sup> )	( <sup>(3)</sup> )	( <sup>(3)</sup> )	( <sup>(3)</sup> )	( <sup>(3)</sup> )
Fixed charges	0.9	2.2	2.1	4.5	5.8	8.0	12.3	—	—	—	—
Other school services <sup>4</sup>	3.5	4.4	5.5	7.7	6.6	6.3	8.3	17.9	17.8	17.7	17.8
Other current expenditures	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.8	1.6	0.6	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.5
Summer schools	( <sup>(5)</sup> )	( <sup>(5)</sup> )	( <sup>(5)</sup> )	( <sup>(5)</sup> )	0.1	0.3	#	—	—	—	—
Adult education <sup>5</sup>	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.2	0.3	—	—	—	—	—
Community colleges	( <sup>(5)</sup> )	( <sup>(5)</sup> )	( <sup>(5)</sup> )	( <sup>(5)</sup> )	0.2	0.3	0.6	—	—	—	—
Community services	( <sup>(4)</sup> )	( <sup>(4)</sup> )	( <sup>(4)</sup> )	( <sup>(4)</sup> )	0.4	0.6	—	—	—	—	—
Capital outlay <sup>6</sup>	14.8	16.0	11.0	17.4	17.0	11.5	6.8	8.4	11.1	11.4	11.4
Interest on school debt	1.8	4.0	5.6	1.7	3.1	2.9	2.0	1.8	2.3	2.4	2.5

<sup>6</sup> Prior to 1969-70, excludes capital outlay by state and local school housing authorities.

NOTE: Beginning in 1959-60, includes Alaska and Hawaii. Beginning in 1989-90, state administration expenditures were excluded from both "total" and "current" expenditures. Beginning in 1989-90, extensive changes were made in the data collection procedures. Detail may not sum to totals due to rounding.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Statistics of State School Systems*; and The NCES Common Core of Data (CCD), "National Public Education Financial Survey," 1989-90 through 2000-01. (This table was prepared August 2003.)

—Not available.

# Rounded to zero.

<sup>1</sup> Revised from previously published data.

<sup>2</sup> Data not comparable to figures prior to 1989-90.

<sup>3</sup> Plant operation also includes plant maintenance.

<sup>4</sup> Prior to 1959-60, items included under "other school services" were listed under "auxiliary services," a more comprehensive classification that also included community services.

<sup>5</sup> Prior to 1959-60, data shown for adult education represent combined expenditures for adult education, summer schools, and community colleges.