

Table A1. Standard errors for Table 1: Instructional paraprofessionals in public elementary and secondary schools, by instructional responsibility: 2003-04

Instructional responsibility	Total	Percentage of schools with instructional paraprofessionals	In schools with instructional paraprofessionals		
			Average number per school	Average number of teachers per instructional paraprofessional	Percentage full-time
All instructional paraprofessionals	8,717.4	0.52	0.09	0.05	0.66
Special education	5,885.8	0.64	0.08	0.13	0.96
Regular Title I	3,076.0	0.72	0.09	0.31	1.38
ESL/bilingual	1,688.7	0.69	0.05	0.44	1.55
Library/media center	761.8	0.63	0.01	0.49	1.36
Other instructional	4,254.3	0.76	0.09	0.26	1.45

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Schools and Staffing Survey (SASS), "Public School Questionnaire," 2003-04.

Table A2. Standard errors for Table 2: Instructional paraprofessionals in public elementary and secondary schools, by school characteristic: 2003-04

School characteristics	Percentage of schools with instructional paraprofessionals	In schools with instructional paraprofessionals		
		Average number per school	Average number of teachers per instructional paraprofessional	Percentage full-time
Total	0.52	0.09	0.05	0.66
School classification				
Traditional public school	0.54	0.09	0.05	0.68
Charter school	4.17	0.73	0.40	4.54
School level				
Elementary	0.48	0.12	0.05	0.81
Secondary	1.49	0.17	0.17	1.48
Combined	1.63	0.33	0.18	1.57
Student enrollment				
1-299	1.34	0.13	3.31	1.53
300-699	0.49	0.14	4.18	1.02
700 or more	0.72	0.21	6.53	1.44
Percent minority				
Less than 10 percent	0.86	0.12	0.09	0.94
From 10 to 34 percent	1.05	0.19	0.11	1.37
35 percent or more	1.00	0.19	0.09	1.14
Percent of students in school approved for free or reduced-price lunch				
0-20	0.90	0.18	0.13	1.24
21-50	0.62	0.16	0.09	1.29
51-100	0.97	0.17	0.08	1.13
Community type				
Central city	0.90	0.19	0.11	1.35
Urban fringe/large town	0.82	0.15	0.08	1.10
Rural/small town	0.94	0.16	0.09	1.17
Region				
Northeast	1.20	0.25	0.14	1.26
Midwest	0.91	0.15	0.10	1.01
South	0.65	0.16	0.10	0.73
West	1.29	0.25	0.10	1.72

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Schools and Staffing Survey (SASS), "Public School Questionnaire," 2003-04.

Table A3. Standard errors for Table 3: Percentage of schools with districts that reported hiring paraprofessionals and used or required educational qualification hiring criteria when considering applicants for instructional paraprofessional staff, by Title I status: 2003-04

School characteristic	Educational qualification criteria used or required in school district									
	High school diploma or equivalent		Beyond high school diploma or equivalent							
	Used but not required	Required	Required at least one of the educational qualifications beyond high school diploma or equivalent	Completion of at least two years of college		Associate's degree or higher		Passage of a state or local test		
			Used but not required	Required	Used but not required	Required	Used but not required	Required	Used but not required	Required
All schools	0.32	0.35	0.92	0.91	0.98	0.70	0.67	0.74	0.87	
Title I schools	0.46	0.51	1.19	1.27	1.33	1.09	1.13	1.00	1.08	
Non-Title I schools	0.49	0.58	1.26	1.25	1.25	1.12	0.82	1.23	1.25	

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