

Appendix table 1-26

**Student access to and use of computers and Internet at home, and use of both information technology resources at school, by student and family characteristics: 2003**

(Percent)

| Student and family characteristic     | Computer access at home | Computer use at home | Internet access at home | Internet use at home | Computer use at school | Internet use at school |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Total .....                           | 76.6                    | 69.1                 | 67.0                    | 47.4                 | 87.2                   | 46.6                   |
| School sector                         |                         |                      |                         |                      |                        |                        |
| Public.....                           | 75.2                    | 67.6                 | 65.3                    | 46.3                 | 87.4                   | 46.7                   |
| Private.....                          | 88.6                    | 82.5                 | 82.4                    | 57.0                 | 85.2                   | 46.2                   |
| Student grade level                   |                         |                      |                         |                      |                        |                        |
| Elementary (K-6).....                 | 74.1                    | 64.2                 | 64.0                    | 34.5                 | 83.6                   | 33.5                   |
| Secondary (7-12).....                 | 79.3                    | 74.5                 | 70.4                    | 61.5                 | 91.1                   | 61.0                   |
| Sex                                   |                         |                      |                         |                      |                        |                        |
| Male.....                             | 76.2                    | 68.4                 | 66.8                    | 46.4                 | 87.2                   | 45.6                   |
| Female.....                           | 77.0                    | 69.9                 | 67.3                    | 48.4                 | 87.2                   | 47.7                   |
| Race/ethnicity                        |                         |                      |                         |                      |                        |                        |
| White.....                            | 87.1                    | 80.2                 | 79.5                    | 58.0                 | 89.2                   | 52.9                   |
| Black.....                            | 55.3                    | 47.4                 | 42.9                    | 28.4                 | 85.2                   | 38.6                   |
| Hispanic.....                         | 57.3                    | 49.2                 | 44.0                    | 27.9                 | 83.3                   | 33.1                   |
| Asian/Pacific Islander.....           | 85.7                    | 75.2                 | 75.0                    | 48.5                 | 81.1                   | 42.7                   |
| Other.....                            | 76.7                    | 69.2                 | 65.9                    | 45.8                 | 88.3                   | 48.3                   |
| Family income <sup>a</sup>            |                         |                      |                         |                      |                        |                        |
| Low.....                              | 47.7                    | 39.9                 | 31.8                    | 20.9                 | 83.5                   | 33.5                   |
| Middle.....                           | 76.0                    | 68.1                 | 65.6                    | 44.9                 | 86.9                   | 46.0                   |
| High.....                             | 94.4                    | 88.3                 | 90.4                    | 68.1                 | 89.8                   | 55.6                   |
| Parental education                    |                         |                      |                         |                      |                        |                        |
| No high school completion.....        | 42.8                    | 35.1                 | 26.8                    | 17.3                 | 80.4                   | 29.2                   |
| High school or GED <sup>b</sup> ..... | 64.8                    | 56.6                 | 52.8                    | 35.9                 | 86.6                   | 43.0                   |
| Some college.....                     | 81.8                    | 73.7                 | 71.2                    | 50.4                 | 88.6                   | 48.4                   |
| Bachelor's or higher degree.....      | 92.6                    | 86.5                 | 88.1                    | 63.9                 | 89.1                   | 54.0                   |

GED = General Educational Development certificate

<sup>a</sup>Low income includes families in lowest 20% income distribution, middle income includes middle 60%, and high income includes highest 20%.<sup>b</sup>GEDs awarded when applicants pass a set of tests and treated as equivalent to high school diplomas for most purposes.

SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey 2003 (October), School Enrollment and Computer Use Supplement File.