Table 246. Public Elementary and Secondary School Teachers—Selected Characteristics: 2004 to 2005

[For school year (449 represents 449,000). Based on the 2004–2005 Teacher Follow-up Survey, a component of the School and Staffing Survey, and subject to sampling error; for details, see also http://nces.ed.gov/surveys/sass/. Excludes prekindergarten teachers]

	Unit	Age				Sex		Race/ethnicity		
Characteristic		Under 30 years old	30–39 years old	40–49 years old	Over 50 years old	Male	Fe- male	White ¹	Black ¹	His- panic ²
Total teachers 3	1,000	449	769	750	976	723	2,220	2,502	216	124
Highest degree held: Bachelor's Master's Education specialist Doctorate	Percent Percent	80.9 17.7 0.6 (X)	57.1 38.8 3.4 0.3	44.9 48.8 5.5 0.5	37.6 49.4 9.6 1.3	2.4 51.8 38.8 6.5	0.7 50.9 42.6 5.3	49.7 43.2 5.5 0.6	53.7 38.7 5.8 1.2	67.9 22.1 7.6 0.2
Full-time teaching experience: Less than 3 years 3 to 9 years 10 to 20 years 20 years or more	Percent	26.2 73.3 0.5 (X)	4.3 56.7 39.0 (X)	2.5 19.3 47.5 30.7	0.8 8.8 25.4 65.0	5.5 35.9 26.7 31.9	6.2 33.1 32.1 28.6	5.7 31.9 31.6 30.9	6.5 47.3 20.3 26.0	9.8 40.0 37.8 12.4
Full-time teachers	Dollars	411 37,510 37,093	706 43,288 42,607	687 48,392 47,662	902 54,577 53,590	687 50,823 49,207	2,018 46,328 45,865	2,284 47,710 46,864	207 45,981 45,672	120 45,941 45,646

X Not applicable.
¹ Non-Hispanic.
² People of Hispanic origin may be any race.
³ Includes teachers with no degrees and associate's degrees not shown separately.

Source: U.S. National Center for Education Statistics, "Teacher Followup Survey, 2004-05," unpublished data.