

Table 238. Type of School Attended by Student and Household Characteristics: 1996 and 2007

[In percent, except total in thousands (34,600 represent 34,600,000). For students in grades 1 to 12. Includes homeschooled students enrolled in public or private school 9 or more hours per week. Based on the Parent and Family Involvement Survey of the National Household Education Survey Program; see source and Appendix III for details]

Characteristic	Public				Private			
	Assigned		Chosen		Church related		Not church related	
	1996	2007	1996	2007	1996	2007	1996	2007
Total students (1,000)	34,600	34,700	6,200	7,400	3,700	4,100	1,000	1,200
Percent distribution	76.0	73.2	13.7	15.5	8.0	8.7	2.3	2.6
Grade level:								
1 to 5	74.1	71.4	14.8	17.0	8.9	8.7	2.2	2.8
6 to 8	79.4	77.0	11.2	11.9	7.4	8.6	2.0	2.5
9 to 12	75.9	72.6	14.1	16.4	7.3	8.6	2.7	2.3
Race/ethnicity:								
White, non-Hispanic	77.1	73.6	11.1	12.5	9.2	10.8	2.7	3.1
Black, non-Hispanic	72.9	68.9	21.5	23.7	4.2	5.5	1.4	1.8
Other, non-Hispanic	69.3	72.7	19.0	17.4	9.5	6.4	2.2	3.5
Hispanic ¹	76.4	75.8	16.1	17.4	6.3	5.6	1.3	1.2
Family type:								
Two-parent household	76.3	72.7	11.7	14.4	9.5	10.0	2.4	2.9
One-parent household	74.6	74.9	18.4	17.7	5.0	5.4	1.9	2.0
Nonparent guardians	80.2	72.8	14.6	22.7	2.3	3.9	2.9	0.6
Parents' education:								
Less than high school	78.8	85.4	17.4	12.4	2.0	1.5	1.8	0.6
High school diploma or equivalent	82.1	79.8	12.3	15.4	5.0	3.5	0.7	1.3
Some college, including vocational/technical	76.4	75.4	14.7	16.3	7.1	7.3	1.8	1.0
Bachelor's degree	70.7	70.7	13.1	15.3	13.0	11.6	3.3	2.4
Graduate/professional degree	66.1	62.2	12.6	15.8	15.3	15.1	6.0	6.8
Region: ²								
Northeast	74.3	72.3	12.9	13.3	9.2	10.9	3.6	3.4
South	78.7	75.2	12.5	14.0	6.4	8.5	2.4	2.3
Midwest	75.4	73.6	12.4	15.0	10.9	9.9	1.3	1.5
West	74.0	70.6	17.7	20.1	6.3	6.1	2.0	3.3

¹ Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race. ² For composition of regions see map, inside front cover.
Source: U.S. National Center for Education Statistics, *Condition of Education, 2009*, NCES 2009-081, June 2009.

Table 239. Public Charter and Traditional Schools—Selected Characteristics: 2007 to 2008

[47,432 represents 47,432,000. For school year ending in 2008. A public charter school is a public school that, in accordance with an enabling state statute, has been granted a charter exempting it from selected state and local rules and regulations]

Characteristic	All schools		Elementary		Secondary		Combined	
	Traditional	Public charter	Traditional	Public charter	Traditional	Public charter	Traditional	Public charter
Number of schools	87,190	3,560	60,390	2,050	20,720	920	6,080	590
Enrollment (1,000)	47,432	1,047	29,194	619	16,513	229	1,725	200
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF STUDENTS								
Race/ethnicity	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White, non-Hispanic	58.2	41.0	56.2	35.9	60.3	43.5	71.3	54.0
Black, non-Hispanic	15.7	29.0	15.8	36.1	15.8	(S)	12.2	17.6
Hispanic	20.3	23.8	22.1	21.6	18.0	31.5	11.5	22.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	4.4	3.8	4.5	3.8	4.7	3.5	1.3	(S)
American Indian/Alaska Native	1.4	2.3	1.4	2.6	1.2	1.5	3.8	(S)
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF SCHOOLS								
Size of enrollment	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Less than 300 students	28.1	64.2	24.1	59.3	28.9	81.1	65.8	54.9
300 to 599 students	40.6	25.8	49.2	29.2	20.8	14.8	22.8	31.2
600 to 999 students	20.8	7.4	22.5	10.0	19.9	(S)	7.5	6.9
1,000 students or more	10.5	2.7	4.3	(S)	30.4	(S)	4.0	(S)
Percent minority enrollment	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Less than 10.0	28.7	(S)	27.7	(S)	30.2	(S)	33.8	(S)
10.0 to 24.9	17.9	17.0	18.1	15.7	18.4	(S)	14.5	30.7
25.0 to 49.9	19.7	18.0	19.5	15.1	21.3	20.8	17.4	23.9
50.0 to 74.9	12.6	14.1	13.1	11.8	11.4	20.7	12.2	(S)
75.0 or more	21.0	42.7	21.7	50.4	18.7	39.2	22.1	21.2
Percent of students eligible for free or reduced-price lunch ²	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Less than 15.0	4.0	24.5	1.7	16.2	8.5	35.8	11.0	35.3
15.0 to 29.9	27.6	9.9	27.4	9.4	32.7	(S)	11.9	(S)
30.0 to 49.9	27.7	18.8	26.5	16.6	30.9	28.7	28.6	(S)
50.0 to 74.9	21.4	21.4	23.2	25.9	15.6	(S)	22.6	27.5
75.0 or more	19.4	25.5	21.2	31.9	12.2	16.6	25.9	16.9

S Figure does not meet publication standards. ¹ Persons of Hispanic origin may be any race. ² Excludes data for schools not providing information on eligibility for free or reduced-price lunch.
Source: U.S. National Center for Education Statistics, School and Staffing Survey (SASS), "Public School Questionnaire," 2007-08 and "Public Teacher Questionnaire," 2007-08; <<http://www.nces.ed.gov/>>.