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The statistical data included in this report was collected from a survey of 1,052 school districts, all of which enroll at least 300 pupils. The data indicate national trends in paid vacation and leave policies, retirement plans, insurance benefits, severance pay, and school district payment of membership dues for principals, assistant principals, and other school administrators. The data are displayed according to school district enrollment, and statistical tables include the total percentage of districts responding in each category. The data were drawn from a 1975-76 Educational Research Service survey. (DS)

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Since compensation through a comprehensive fringe benefits package has become a major component in any school administrator's remuneration, NASSP's Status and Welfare Committee felt that each member of NASSP should have access to pertinent fringe benefit data relating to the principalship. As a means of accomplishing that objective, this report has been prepared with information from tables contained in Part II of the ERS National Survey of Fringe Benefits for Professional Personnel in Public Schools, 1975-76.

From a random sample of school systems enrolling 300 or more pupils, responses from 1,052 districts were summarized (rounded to the nearest percent); however, caution should always be used in drawing inferences from such data because of the sampling variance associated with studies of this type. The information contained in this AIR covers the following categories:

- 1. Paid Vacation and Sick Leave Provisions
 - 2. Paid Emergency and/or Personal, Religious, and Sabbatical Leave
 - 3. Retirement Plans for Administrators
 - 4. Group Insurance Benefits (Portion of Premium Paid by District)
 - 5. Organizational Membership Dues Paid by District
 - 6. Severance Pay Provisions for Administrators.

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PAID VACATION AND SICK LEAVE FOR PRINCIPALS, ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS, AND OTHER ADMINISTRATORS/SUPERVISORS BY ENROLLMENT GROUP, 1975-76

	Percent	of Respondi	ng School Si	ystems		,
	25,000 or more	istrict Enr. 10,000 to 24,999	2,500 to 9,999	300 to	Percent of Total System Reporting	
VACATION LEAVE			•	•		
Number of Days Per Year: None	9.2	15.6	. 18.9	40.0	. 20.1	į.
Fewer than 10 days	16.0	.8 9.9	.9 15/3	12.4	1.4	
15 to 19 days 20 to 24 days	19.1 47.3	15.6 46.5	11.8 41.0	5.7 23.3	12.8 40.2 4.9	
25 to 29 days 30 or more days	6.1	5.9 2.7	5.6 .4.4	9.0	4.2	,
Unlimited No data	2.3	3.0	2.1	3.8	2.8	
Total Districts Responding	131 19	A ₃₇₂	339 19	210 18	1052 19	
Mean number of days Range - Low High	10 27	40	4 35	1 40	1 40	>
	•	•		••		:
Maximum Number of Days of Accumulation (Carry-over):		•				u
None Fewer than 10 days	37.8 1.7	42.0 2.2	56.7 1.5	56.0 3.2	48.4 2.0	
10 to 19 days 20 to 29 days	10.1	8.9 15.0	10.2 13.1	9.6 10.4	9. 6 *	
30 or more days.* Unlimited No data:	34.5 2.5 .8	24.8 2.5 4.5	13.5 1.8 3.3	10.4 1.6 8.8	20.3 • 2.2 4.2	-
Total Districts Responding Mean number of days **	119 31	314 28	275 25	125 , 24	.833 27	

^{*} But not unlimited.

^{**} For systems that specify a definite number of days. Systems that grant an unlimited number of days or permit no accumulation are excluded from means.

	Percent of Responding School Systems in District Enrollment Group				
	25,000 or more	10,000 to 24,999	2,500 to 9,999	300 to .	Percent of Total Systems Reporting
SICK LEAVE	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·) F	· · · · ·	i	
Number of Days Per Year:			•	•	\
None Fewer than 10 days 10 to 19 days 20 to 19 days 30 to 39 days 40 to 49 days 50 or more days * Unlimited No data	1.5 3.1 89.3 3.8 	.3 -7.0 83.6 2.2 .8 .5 .8 4.8	8.6 85.8 1.5 6 	.5 12.4 83.3 1.4 1.0 	.4 8.1 85.0 2.0 .7 .2 .6 3.1
Total Districts Responding Mean number of days **. Maximum Number of Days of Accumulation (Carry-over):	131	372 13	339 12	210° 12° (4	1052 12
None Fewer than 20 days 20 to 29 days 30 to 49 days 50 to 69 days 70 to 99 days 100 to 199 days 200 to 299 days -300 to 399 days 400 or more days Unlimited No data	1.6 .8 .8 .2.3 9.3 17.8 10.9 .8	1.6 .5 1.1 1.4 1.6 4.9 21.7 7.3 	.3 .9 1.8 1.8 4.1 9.7 28.6 4.7 .3 47.2	1.0 .5 1.9 9.1 8.6 18.2 36.8 1.4 (21.1	1.4 2.9 3.9 9.7 26.5 5.7 .1 .1 46.7
Total Districts Responding Mean number of days **	12 9 149	369 143 ,	339 129	209 101	1046 126

^{*} But not unlimited.

^{**} For systems that specify a definite number of days. Systems that grant an unlimited number of days or permit no accumulation are excluded from means.

2. PAID EMERGENCY AND/OR PERSONAL, RELIGIOUS, AND SABBATICAL LEAVE FOR PRINCIPALS, ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS, AND OTHER ADMINISTRATORS/SUPERVISORS BY ENROLLMENT, 1975-76

	Percent of				
EMERGENCY AND/OR PERSONAL LEAVE	25,000 or more	10,000 to 24,999.	2,500 to 9,999	300 to 2,499	Total Systems Reporting
Number of Days Per Year:					•
None	9.2.	11.8	6.8	11.9 '	9.9
1 day	6.1	4.8	5.0	9.0	5 . 9
2 days	26.0	26.9	39.3	43.3	34.1
3 days	22.1	21.2	20.4	10.5	18.9
4 days	4.6	· 3.8	2.4	2.9	3.2
5 days	7.6	6.5	8.0	8.6	7. 5
6 days or more *	19,1	18.8	9.8	8.1	13.8
Unlimited	1.5	1.6	3.3	1.4	2.1
No data	3.8	4.6	5.0	4.3	4.6
	131	372	339	210	1052
Total Districts Responding	4	4	3	3	. 3
Mean Number of days **	4	• •	•		and the second second
Are days charged to	•	, '			,
sick leave?	40.6		25.0	21.1	33.4
Yes	49.6	42.7	71.2	75.1	63.2
No ,	49.6	53.7	3.8	3.8	3.4
No data	8	3.7	•		
Total Districts Responding	119	328	316	185	948
RELIGIOUS LEAVE		•			
Number of Days Per Year:				4	• • •
None	61.8	69.9	79.0	91.0	76.0
1 day	3.8	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.8
2 days	. 14.5	9.1	3.8	3.8	7.0
3 days	9.9	6.2	4.7	1.0	5.1
4 days	• • •	. 5	.3	• • •	.3
5 days	1.5	.5	1.2	• 5	.9
6 days or more *	2.3	1'. 6.	.3	• • •	1.0
Unlimited		. 1.3	1.8		1.0
No data'	6.1	9.1	7.4	2.4	6.9
	131	372	339	210	1052
Total Districts Responding Mean number of days **	3	3,2	3.	2	, ⁻ · 3
Are days charged to		•			
sick leave?			10 7	15.8	31.7
Yes	40.8	38.1	19.7		63.5
No .	55.1	58.4	74.6	73.7	4.8
No data	4.1	_~ 3.5	5.6	10.5	
Total Districts Responding	49	113	71	. 19	252

^{*} But not unlimited.

^{**} For systems that specify a definite number of days. Systems that grant an unlimited number of days or permit no accumulation are excluded from means.

	Percent . <u>in</u> l	Percent of			
SABBATICAL LEAVE	25,000 or more	10,000 to 24,999	2,500 to 9,999	•	Total Systems Reporting
Maximum Time Granted:			•	•	
None 1 semester 2 semesters 1 calendar year Other No data	33.6 1.5 26.0 35.1 1.5 2.3	33.1 .3 22.8 41.7 1.6	46.3 .3 15.9 35.4 1.5	72.4 1.0 7.6 18.1 5	45.2 .6 18.0 , 34.1 1.3
Total Districts Responding Portion of Salary Paid	131	372	339	210	1052
None Less than half One half Over half, but not all Full salary	92 4.6 60.9 9.2 3.4	8.4 1.2 61.0 15.3 3.6	16.5 2.7 56.6 12.6 4.9	32.8 44.8 10.3	13.5 2.1 58.0 13.0 3.8
Full salary, less cost of substitute Other No data Total Districts Responding	6.9 5.7 87	5.6 4.0 .8 249	3.8 2:2 .5	5.2 1.7 3.4 58	5.2 3.5 .9
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3. RETIREMENT PLANS FOR PRINCIPALS, ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS, AND OTHER ADMINISTRATORS/SUPERVISORS BY ENROLLMENT, 1975-76

	Percent <u>in</u>	of Respondin District Enro	g School S llment Gro	ystems . up	Percent of
DEPTDEMENT DOCUTETON 2	25,00 0 or more	10,000 to 24,999	2,500 to 9,999	300 to 2,499	Total Systems Reporting
State Retirement System Local Retirement System Covered by Social Security	100.0 7.6 61.1	100.0 3.8 55.4	100.0 .9 62.5	100.0 1.0 62.4	100.0 2.8 59.8
Total Districts Responding	131	372	339.	210'	1052



4. GROUP INSURANCE PROVISIONS FOR PRINCIPALS, ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS, AND OTHER ADMINISTRATORS/SUPERVISORS BY ENROLLMENT, 1975-76 *

Portion of Premium	Percent in D	of Respondin istrict Enro	ng School S Ollment Gro	ystems up	Percent of
Paid by District	25,000 or more	10,000 to 24,999	2,500 to 9,999	300 to 2,499	Total Systems Reporting
GROUP HOSPITALIZATION	,				* .
Single Coverage: .			,	16.0	10.6
None	7.9	8.4	10.4	16.3	10.6
Less than half	8.7	3.3	2.7	3.3	3.8 4.5
One half	2.4	3.1	6.9	4.3	•
Over half, but not all	17.3	15.9	16.4	14.4	15.9 64.5
A11 ,	63. 8 '	68.0	. 63.0	61.2	.8
No data	• • •	1.4	-, . 6	•5 ·	•0
Family Coverage:	,	•	•		
None	36.2	23.2	22.4	31.6	26.2
Less than half (14.2	8.1	4.8	8.1	7.8
One half	3. 9	4.2	8.4	`5.7	5.8
Over half, but not all	18.9	20.4	19.7	15.8	19.0
A11 .	24.4	39.1	43.0	3 5.4	37.8
No data	2.4	5 .0	1.8	3.3	3.3
Total Districts Responding	127	359	335	209	1030
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MAJOR MEDICAL and/or SURGICAL PLAN	•		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	٥	•
, ·	, *				•
Single Coverage:	9.4	9.5	11.3	17.7	11.7
None	9.4	2.2	2.7	2.9	3.4
Less than half	2.4	2.8	7.2	3.8	4.4
One half	15.7	1 5 .9	16.1	13.9	15.5
Over half, but not all	63.0	67.7	61.8	60.3	63.7
A11	. 05.0	1.9	.9	1.4	1.3
No data	• • •	1.9			1
Family Coverage:				00 5	26.8
None.	35.4	~ 24. 0	23.0	32.5	
Less than half	14.2	6.7	3.9	2	6.8
One half	3.9	3.9	8.4	4.8	5.5 18.7 •
Over half, but not all	18.9	19.8	20.0	14.8	38.3
↑A11	25.2	40.1	42.7	35.9	
No dáta	2.4	5 .6	2.1	4.8	3.9
Total Districts Responding	7 127	3 59	335	209	1030

Figures do not include the provision of "cafeteria plans" for selection of group insurance coverage provided by a few districts.

Portion of Premion	Percent <u>in l</u>	Percent of			
Paid by District DENTAL CARE	25,000 or more	10,000 to 24,999	2,500 to 9,900	300 to 2,499	Total Systems Reporting
Single Coverage:			•	•	, .
None	74.8	65.8	74.3	86.1	73.8
Less than half } .		•6	.6	1.9	/ /3.8
One half	• • •	.3	1.5	.5	.7 ,
'Over half, but not all	3.9	5.6	1.8	1.4	/ 3.3
A11	21.3	25.3	19.7	9.1	19.7
No data	•••	2.5	2.1	1.0	1.7
Family Coverage:			•	_,_,	-;·
None ·	78.7	72'. 7	81.2	88.0	79.3
Less than half	.8	•6	.6%	1.4	.8
One half	.8	.6	.9	~5	.7
Over half, but not all	3.9	5.3	2.7	2.4	3.7
A11 C	11.8	17.5	11.9	6.2	12.7
No data '	3.9	3.3	2.7	. 1.4	2.8
Total Districts Responding	127	359 ` ,	335	209	1030
GROUP LIFE INSURANCE			•		,
None	18.1	26.7	35.5	51.2	33.5
Less than half	10.2	2.5	1.5	. 1.4	2.9
One, half	1.6	3.6	5.4	2.9	3.8
Over half, but not all	9.4	6.1	5.7	4.3	6.0 ·
All	55.1	´53 . 8	46.9	30.6 °	47.0
No data •	5.5	7.2	5.1	9.6	6.8
Total Districts Responding	127	359	335	209	1030

5. MEMBERSHIP DUES PAID BY DISTRICT FOR PRINCIPALS, ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS, AND OTHER ADMINISTRATORS/SUPERVISORS BY ENROLLMENT, 1975-76

Dues Payment	Percent <u>in L</u>	Percent of			
<u>Provisions</u>	25,000 - or more	10,000 to 24,999	2,500 to 9,999	300 to 2,499	Total Systems Reporting
Dues paid by district for one or more groups No dues paid by district No data	8.4 87.8 3.8♥	13.2 84.1 2.7	20.4 77.0 2.7	26.7 . 71.9 1.4	17.6 79.8 2.6
Total Districts Responding	131	372	339	210	1052
Fixed dollar limit for each year * Limited to fixed number	54.5	48.1	69.7	52.9	58.5
of organizations *	54.5	33.3	48.5	23.5	39.0
Other	45.4	51.9	30.3	47.1	41.5
Total Districts Responding	. 11	49	69	56	185
				•	

^{*} Includes systems with a limitation that combines a dollar amount and a fixed number of organizations.

6. SEVERANCE PAY PROVISIONS FOR PRINCIPALS, ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS, AND OTHER ADMINISTRATORS/SUPERVISORS BY ENROLLMENT, 1975-76

SEVERANCE PAY		· Percent in D	of Responding istrict Enro	ng School S ollment Gro	ystems u <u>p</u>	Percent of
PROVISIONS		25,000 or more	10,000 to 24,999	2,500 to 9,999	300 to 2,499	Total Systems Reporting
Severance pay provide No severance pay provide No data	led owid e d	35.1 63.4 1.5	37.1 62.4 .5	30.7 69.0 .3	16.7 . 82.4 1.0	30.7 68.6 .7
Total Districts Resp	onding	131	372	339	210	- 1052

BASIS FOR SEVERANCE PAYMENTS AT SEPARATION FROM SCHOOL SYSTEM

Basis for Computation of Severance Payments	Number of Reporting Systems		Percent of Total Systems Reporting
Based on accumulated sick leave Based on number of years of service	213 \ 40		65.7 12.4
Based on combination of sick leave and number of years of service Based on annual (vacation) leave	61 7 •3	•	18.8 2.2
Basis not stated Total Districts Responding	324	3	100.0

BASIS FOR DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR SEVERANCE PAYMENTS

Eligibility Basis for Severance Payments	Number of Reporting Systems	Percent of Total Systems Reporting
Paid only at retirement Paid only at resignation Paid only at death	154 8 5	47.5 2.5 1.5
Paid at resignation, death, or retirement Paid at death or retirement Paid at resignation or retirement Basis for payment not stated	27 74 .9 47	8.3 22.8 2.8 14.5
Total Districts Responding	324	99.9