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ABSTRACT

Statistics on higher education and elementary/secondary education are presented, including data on enrollments, instructional staff, expenditures and revenues, federal funds for education, and degrees conferred. Data for school years 1970-71, 1975-76, 1980-81 and estimates for 1985-86, are provided on enrollments, instructional staff, and expenditures in public and private schools and colleges. For fiscal years 1980, 1982, 1983, and 1984, data are provided on federal funds for higher education, elementary/secondary education, and research at colleges. For school years 1970-71, 1975-76, 1980-81, and 1984-85 data are provided on: the number of public and private colleges including breakdowns for two- and four-year colleges; enrollment at two- and four-year public and private colleges; the number of full- and part-time college students; enrollments by sex and race; the number of senior instructional staff at two- and four-year colleges; the number of bachelor's, master's, doctor's, and first-professional degrees and degree awards to women; total expenditures of public and private colleges; current-fund expenditures and additions to plant value at public and private colleges; total revenues and sources of funds; and tuition and room and board fees at public and private colleges. Additional data on elementary/secondary education are included.
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An Overview

Characteristic	School year			
	1970-71	1975-76	1980-81	1985-86 (Estimated)
Enrollment	(In thousands)			
Total, all levels	59 853	60 976	58 415	57 200
Elementary secondary, total	51 272	49 791	46 318	45 050
Public schools	45 909	44 791	40 987	39 350
Private schools	5 363	5 000	5 331	5 700
Higher education, total	8 581	11 185	12 097	12 150
Public	6 428	8 835	9 457	9 430
Private	2 153	2 350	2 640	2 720
Instructional staff				
Total, all levels	2 762	3 079	3 149	3 180
Elementary secondary teachers	2 288	2 451	2 463	2 490
Public schools	2 055	2 195	2 162	2 150
Private schools	233	255	301	340
College faculty (senior staff only)	474	1 628	1 686	690
Public	314	1 443	1 495	500
Private	160	1 185	1 191	190
Expenditures	(In billions)			
Total, all levels	\$75.7	\$118.7	\$182.8	\$260.2
Elementary secondary expenditures	48.2	75.1	112.3	159.3
Public schools	45.5	70.6	104.1	146.0
Private schools	2.7	4.5	8.2	13.3
College expenditures	27.5	43.6	70.5	100.9
Public colleges	18.0	29.7	46.6	65.6
Private colleges	9.5	13.9	24.0	35.3
	Fiscal year			
	1980	1982	1983	1984
Federal funds for education	(In billions)			
Total for all agencies	\$34.6	\$34.7	\$34.8	\$36.5
Elementary/secondary education	16.7	15.9	15.5	17.2
Higher education programs	10.8	10.9	10.7	10.1
Research at colleges	5.8	6.6	7.2	7.8
Other education programs	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.4

Higher Education

Characteristic	School year			
	1970-71	1975-76	1980-81	1984-85
Number of colleges				
	(In units)			
Total	—	3 026	3 231	3 331
Public	—	1 442	1 497	1 501
4-year	—	545	552	566
2-year	—	897	945	935
Private	—	1 584	1 734	1 830
4-year	—	1 353	1 405	1 459
2-year	—	231	329	371
Enrollment				
	(in thousands)			
Total	8 581	11 186	12 097	12 242
Control				
Public	6 428	8 835	9 457	9 477
4-year	4 326	4 998	5 129	5 198
2-year	2 102	3 836	4 329	4 279
Private	2 153	2 350	2 640	2 765
4-year	2 032	2 217	2 442	2 513
2-year	121	134	198	252
Student attendance status				
Full-time	5 815	6 841	7 008	7 098
Part-time	2 766	4 344	4 999	5 144
Sex of student				
Men	5,044	6 149	5,874	5,864
Women	3 537	5 036	6 223	6 378
Distribution by race				
	(Percent)			
White	—	7100.0	100.0	100.0
Black, non-Hispanic	—	782.6	81.4	80.8
Hispanic	—	75.4	9.2	8.5
Asian/Pacific Islander	—	73.5	3.9	4.2
American Indian/Alaskan Native	—	71.8	2.4	3.1
Non-resident alien	—	70.7	0.7	0.7
	—	72.0	2.5	2.8
Faculty				
	(In thousands)			
Total senior instructional staff	473	1 628	1 686	1 700
4-year	382	1 467	1 494	1 498
2-year	52	1 161	1 192	1 202
Degrees conferred				
Bachelor's	840	926	935	4970
Master's	231	312	296	4290
First-professional	57	63	72	473
Doctor's	32	34	33	433
Awarded to women				
	(Percent)			
Bachelor's	43.4	45.5	49.8	450.6
Masters	40.1	46.4	50.3	450.1
First-professional	6.3	15.6	26.6	429.8
Doctor's	14.3	22.9	31.1	433.2
Finances				
	(in billions)			
Total public and private expenditures	\$27.5	\$43.6	\$70.5	\$89.6
Public colleges	18.0	29.7	46.6	58.1
Current-fund expenditures	15.0	26.2	42.3	53.1
Additions to plant value	3.0	3.6	4.3	5.0
Private colleges	9.5	13.9	24.0	31.5
Current-fund expenditures	8.4	12.7	21.8	28.9
Additions to plant value	1.1	1.1	2.2	2.6
Total public and private revenues	\$23.9	\$39.7	\$65.6	\$84.4
Revenues, by source of funds				
	(Percent)			
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Tuition	21.0	20.6	21.0	23.4
Federal government	19.3	16.3	14.9	12.3
State governments	27.6	30.9	30.7	29.3
Local governments	3.8	4.1	2.7	2.6
Private sources	5.1	4.8	4.8	5.2
Endowment	2.3	1.7	2.1	2.2
Sales and services revenues and other	20.9	21.6	23.8	25.0
Average annual rates for tuition, and room and board:				
	(In units)			
Public	\$1 287	\$1 666	\$2,071	\$3 383
Tuition	351	433	633	960
Room and board	936	1,233	1,738	2,423
Private	2,738	3,663	5,468	8,156
Tuition	1,684	2,272	3,498	5,281
Room and board	1,054	1,391	1,970	2,875

Elementary/Secondary Education

Characteristic	School year			
	1970-71	1975-76	1980-81	1984-85
Public school districts	(In units)			
Total	17 995	16 376	15 912	215 747
Public schools	(In units)			
Total	89 372	87 456	93 688	482 039
Elementary	64 020	61 759	59 326	458 051
Secondary	23 572	23 837	22 619	422 383
Combined elementary secondary	1 780	1 860	1 743	41 605
Enrollment	(In thousands)			
Total, public and private	51,272	49,791	46,318	45,005
Public schools	45 909	44 791	40 987	39,305
Elementary (K-8)	32 577	30,487	27 674	26 929
Secondary (9-12)	13,332	14 304	13 313	12,376
Private schools	5 363	5 000	5 331	5 700
Elementary (K-8)	4 052	3,700	3 992	4 300
Secondary (9-12)	1 311	1 300	1 339	1 400
Percent of students in private schools	10.5	10.0	11.5	11.2
Teachers	(In thousands)			
Total, public and private	2 288	2,451	2,463	2,490
Public schools	2 055	2 196	2 162	2 150
Elementary	1 128	1 180	1 177	1 188
Secondary	927	1 016	985	962
Private schools	233	255	301	340
Elementary	153	172	212	243
Secondary	80	83	89	97
High school graduates	(In thousands)			
Total, public and private	2,937	3,148	3 020	22 793
Public schools	2 637	2,837	2 725	22 503
Private schools	300	311	295	1 290
High school graduates as a percent of 18-year-olds	75.7	73.8	72.3	74.9
Public school finances	(In billions)			
Total expenditures	\$45.5	\$70.6	\$104.1	\$127.5
Current expenditures	39.6	62.6	95.5	118.0
-for regular school programs	38.7	62.1	94.3	115.8
-for other programs	1.0	0.6	1.2	2.2
Interest on school debt	1.3	1.8	1.9	2.5
Capital outlay	4.6	6.1	6.7	7.0
Total revenues	\$44.5	\$71.2	\$105.9	\$126.4
Revenues by source of funds	(Percent)			
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Federal	8.4	8.9	9.2	8.8
State	39.1	44.6	47.4	48.0
Local	52.5	46.5	43.4	43.1
Average annual salary for public school teachers^a	(In units)			
	\$9 269	\$12 591	\$17 644	\$23 582
Current expenditure per pupil in average daily attendance in public schools	\$911	\$1 504	\$2 487	\$3 173
Pupil-teacher ratios (based on enrollment)	(In units)			
Public schools	22.3	20.4	19.0	18.3
Private schools	23.0	19.6	17.7	16.8

Population Characteristics⁸

Characteristic	Calendar year			
	1960	1970	1980	1984
Enrollment rates (of selected population age groups)				
	(In units)			
3- and 4-year-olds	—	20.5	36.7	36.3
5- and 6-year-olds	80.7	89.5	95.7	94.5
7- to 13-year-olds	99.5	99.2	99.3	99.2
14- to 17-year-olds	90.3	94.1	93.4	94.7
18- and 19-year-olds	38.4	47.7	46.4	50.1
20- to 24-year-olds	13.1	21.5	22.3	23.7
25- to 34-year-olds	3.6	6.0	7.9	7.7
Educational attainment of persons 25 and over				
Completing less than 5 years of school	8.3	5.3	3.3	2.8
Completing high school	41.1	55.2	68.7	73.3
Completing at least 4 years of college	7.7	11.0	17.0	19.1

¹ Estimated

² Data are for 1963-64

³ Data are for 1974-75

⁴ Data are for 1982-83

⁵ Data are for 1983-84 and based on information collected by the National Education Association

⁶ Data collected by the National Education Association

⁷ Data are for 1976-77

⁸ Data are from the Bureau of the Census

— Data not available

NOTE—All data are for the 50 States and D.C. Finance data have not been adjusted for changes in the inflation rate. Some data have been revised from previously published figures. Because of rounding, details may not add to totals.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Center for Statistics, *Digest of Education Statistics, 1985-86* (forthcoming), and unpublished data (March 1986).