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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY** Introduction

This eighth report on the features of America's teacher preparation and initial state credentialing presents data states<sup>1</sup> reported to the U.S. Department of Education (Department) in October 2008, October 2009 and October 2010. Title II of the Higher Education Act (HEA) of 1965, as amended in 2008 by the Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA), like its predecessor, requires states to report annually on key elements of their teacher preparation programs and requirements for initial teacher certification or licensure, kindergarten through 12th grade (see appendix 1). Because the 2008 reauthorization changed both a number of state reporting requirements and the content of this annual report, and states reasonably needed time to adjust their own data collection and reporting procedures, this three-year period was by necessity a transition period. For this reason, the Department determined that the public would be better served by providing a report on these three vears at one time.

Since 2001, the Department has used a Webbased state reporting system to collect the required state data on teacher preparation programs and prospective teachers, as well as on state requirements that govern assessments that prospective teachers must take and credentialing of teacher candidates. State credentials for beginning teachers are referred to in this report as those for initial teacher certification or licensure. States also reported on standards and policies that regulate teacher credentialing and teacher preparation program performance. While this report

focuses on national and key state-specific data, the individual state reports contain additional information (such as data for individual teacher preparation programs), and are available at https:// title2.ed.gov and http://www2.ed.gov/about/ reports/annual/teachprep/index.html.

The report is intended to provide Congress, aspiring teachers, the education community, researchers and policymakers, and the general public with information that Congress has identified as important to a basic understanding of teacher preparation in America. In this regard, this report provides national information and answers questions such as:

- How many prospective teachers were enrolled in teacher preparation programs, and what was the demographic composition of these enrollees?
- How many prospective teachers successfully completed a teacher preparation program, and did they attend a "traditional"2 or "alternative route"3 type of program?
- What state standards and policies guide teacher preparation program development and evaluation?
- Which teacher preparation programs have states reported as low-performing or as at-risk of being identified as low-performing?
- What state requirements and assessment criteria underpin initial teacher certification or licensure?
- How many new teachers were certified or licensed by states each year from 2000-01 through 2008-09?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For purposes of this report, the term "state" refers to the entities required to report as states, that is, any of the states of the United States, as well as the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, Guam, American Samoa, the United States Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and the Freely Associated States (the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of Palau). While for purposes of defining who must report a "state" includes the other entities, for purposes of presentation of data in this report other entities will be reported separately from the 50 states.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Traditional teacher preparation programs generally serve undergraduate students who have no prior teaching or work experience, and lead at least to a bachelor's degree. Some traditional teacher preparation programs may lead to a teaching credential but not to a degree. A traditional teacher preparation program in the outlying areas may lead to an associate's degree.

<sup>3</sup> Alternative route teacher preparation programs primarily serve candidates that are the teacher of record in a classroom while participating in the route. For purposes of Title II reporting, each state determines which teacher preparation programs are alternative routes.

- What proportion of teachers assigned to classrooms were reported as not fully certified or licensed by their states from 2003-04 through 2007-08?
- What was the percentage of teachers reported as not fully certified or licensed by states in high-poverty school districts compared to all other districts for 2007-08, the last year the data were collected?

### Reauthorization of the Higher Education Act

The Secretary's Eighth Report on Teacher Quality is unique in that it is a transitional report. As noted above, the 2008 reauthorization of HEA made significant changes to the Title II data elements and reporting requirements. Congress eliminated some data elements from the prior legislation, such as the number of teachers on waivers, the ranking of teacher preparation programs based on pass rate data and the extent to which passing an assessment was required to teach, and these elements are no longer collected. On the other hand, Congress added other reporting requirements, such as teacher preparation program admissions requirements. States reported these new data for the first time in 2010.

More specifically, the 2008 reauthorization of HEA requires states now to report on new elements including: data on teacher preparation

program admissions requirements; the number of students enrolled in each teacher preparation program by gender, race and ethnicity; for the state as a whole, and for each teacher preparation program, the number of teachers prepared by area of certification or licensure, major and subject area; the reliability and validity of the teacher certification or licensure assessments used by the state; and the average scaled score on these assessments. In general, the new statute now requires states to report far more detailed information about their teacher preparation programs. Moreover, much of the information states report on those programs comes from reports that Title II of HEA requires institutions of higher education (IHEs) with teacher preparation programs, whether traditional or alternative route programs, to report to their states. As a result, much of the data reported by each teacher preparation program is included in the state Title II report. As an additional change from the prior law's reporting requirements, states must now also include in their reports information about teacher preparation programs that are not administered by IHEs, including non-IHE-based alternative routes.

Table ES1 below shows the new data elements required by the 2008 reauthorization of the HEA, followed by the statutory citation and section of the state report in which the new data elements can be found (see appendix 1 and appendix 2).

Table ES1. New data elements required by the 2008 Reauthorization of HEA

| New data element   | Citation                                 | State report section   |
|--|--|------------------------|
| For each teacher preparation program in the State, the criteria for admission into the program   | §205(b)(1)(G)(i)                         | I                      |
| For each teacher preparation program in the State, the number of students in the program, disaggregated by race, ethnicity, and gender   | §205(b)(1)(G)(ii)                        | I                      |
| For each teacher preparation program in the State, the average number of hours of supervised clinical experience required for those in the program; and the number of full-time equivalent faculty, adjunct faculty, and students in supervised clinical experience  | §205(b)(1)(G)(iii),<br>§205(b)(1)(G)(iv) | I                      |
| For the State as a whole, and for each teacher preparation program in the State, the number of teachers prepared, in the aggregate and reported separately by area of certification or licensure; academic major; and subject area for which the teacher has been prepared to teach.   | §205(b)(1)(H)                            | I                      |
| A description of the reliability and validity of the teacher certification and licensure assessments, and any other certification and licensure requirements, used by the State  | §205(b)(1)(A)                            | II                     |
| For each of the assessments used by the State for teacher certification or licensure for each institution of higher education located in the State and each entity located in the State, including those that offer an alternative route for teacher certification or licensure, the percentage of students at such institution or entity who have completed 100 percent of the nonclinical course work and taken the assessment who pass such assessment; the percentage of all such students at all such institutions and entities who have taken the assessment who pass such assessment; the percentage of students who have taken the assessment who enrolled in and completed a teacher preparation program; and the average scaled score of individuals participating in such a program, or who have completed such a program during the two-year period preceding the first year for which the annual State report card is provided, who took each such assessment.* | §205(b)(1)(D)                            | V                      |
| A description of the extent to which teacher preparation programs are addressing shortages of highly qualified teachers, by area of certification or licensure, subject, and specialty, in the State's public schools.   | §205(b)(1)(I)                            | IX                     |
| The extent to which teacher preparation programs prepare teachers, including general education and special education teachers, to teach students with disabilities effectively, including training related to participation as a member of individualized education program teams, as defined in section 614(d)(1)(B) of the <i>Individuals with Disabilities Education Act</i> .  | §205(b)(1)(J)                            | X                      |
| A description of the activities that prepare teachers to integrate technology effectively into curricula and instruction, including activities consistent with the principles of universal design for learning; and use technology effectively to collect, manage, and analyze data to improve teaching and learning for the purpose of increasing student academic achievement.   | §205(b)(1)(K)                            | XI                     |
| The extent to which teacher preparation programs prepare teachers, including general education and special education teachers, to effectively teach students who are limited English proficient.   | §205(b)(1)(L)                            | X                      |
| Shall identify States for which eligible partnerships received a grant under this part.  | §205(d)(1)                               | NA<br>(see appendix 3) |

<sup>\*</sup> Pass rates for enrolled students, enrolled students who have completed all nonclinical course work and the average scaled scores on assessments will be reported for the first time in 2011.

## Transitional Report Data Contents

The 2008 reporting year was the last year of state and IHE reporting under the prior HEA authorization. The 2009 reporting year was a transition year, during which states and IHEs submitted Title II reports using the previous format, but omitted data elements that were no longer required under the 2008 reauthorized legislation. Moreover, in keeping with requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, the Department could not direct states and IHEs to report on new elements in the 2008 HEA reauthorization in a uniform and comprehensible manner until after it had provided the public with opportunities to comment on its proposed procedures for such reporting, considered those comments, and then had obtained approval to have states report under these new procedures as modified to reflect public comment. The Department used the 2010 reporting year to pilot the new reporting procedures and instruments. That year, the Department directed states and IHEs to report as completely as was reasonably possible, while they used the pilot year to build capacity and develop processes for collecting full and accurate data the following year. Consequently, new data elements that states reported during 2010 vary in comprehensiveness and limit the Department's ability to fully interpret the data.

For purposes of Title II reporting, all traditional teacher preparation programs at an IHE are considered to be a single program. For example, an IHE that prepares undergraduate students to become either mathematics or science teachers would be counted as one teacher preparation program rather than two programs. Thus, the count of traditional teacher preparation programs is the count of IHEs with traditional teacher preparation programs. Because many IHEs have multiple teacher preparation programs, the number of individual traditional teacher preparation programs in the academic content

areas (e.g., English, mathematics, science, history) or in other areas (e.g., special education, career and technical education) would be larger than the number of IHEs.

Similarly, all alternative teacher preparation programs at an IHE are considered to be a single program. Alternative route teacher preparation programs primarily serve candidates who are the teacher of record in a classroom while participating in the route. For purposes of Title II reporting, each state determines which teacher preparation programs are alternative routes. Also, they may be within or independent of an IHE. An IHE with both a traditional teacher preparation program and an alternative route teacher preparation program is counted as having two teacher preparation programs, regardless of the number of areas in which the IHE prepares teachers (e.g., arts, foreign languages, physical education). A teacher preparation program that is not IHE-based is counted as one program.

However, when states report on low-performing teacher preparation programs and those at risk of receiving this designation, they report both the name of the IHE and the teacher preparation program that has been identified as low-performing or at-risk. This can be the entire teacher preparation program (e.g., school of education, initial certification program) or a specific portion of the teacher preparation program (e.g., French, social studies, teaching students with disabilities). States also report on alternative route teacher preparation programs that are not based at IHEs that are identified as low-performing or at-risk, and they are counted as one program (see Chapter III). See the Key Terminology for more information on the definition of teacher preparation program.

Some data elements did not change from the 1998 to the 2008 legislation, such as states' descriptions of standards and criteria for initial teacher certification or licensure and alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure, and reports of states' assessments and pass rates.

However, revisions were made to the questions in the previous reporting instrument to align with new language in the reauthorized law. For example, both the 1998 and 2008 legislations require states to describe how teacher certification or licensure assessments and requirements for teachers align with the state's standards for students. However, the 2008 legislation specifically included state early learning standards for early childhood education programs. Thus, the reporting instrument was revised to include questions addressing early childhood education.

Depending on the data reported, states and IHEs may have collected the data either in calendar years or in academic years. For example, information reported on state teacher certification or licensure requirements, alternative routes to certification, state standards for teachers and criteria for assessing the performance of teacher preparation programs was based on the most current state laws, regulations or policies as of October of the reporting year. Numerical data, such as the number of students enrolled in teacher preparation programs, the number of program completers and the number of teachers receiving initial certification or licensure reflect specific academic years (AY).<sup>4</sup> Finally, the list of at-risk and low-performing teacher preparation programs reflects the states' most current cycle for assessing the performance of those programs.<sup>5</sup>

In cases where a data element, such as the number of teacher preparation program completers, has not changed and has been collected in the same manner under both the 1998 and 2008 legislation, trend data are provided for the available years. In cases where a data element is new, data for only one year are included.

The 1998 legislation required states to report on the extent to which teachers in the state are given waivers of certification licensure requirements, including the proportion of such teachers distributed across high- and low-poverty school districts and across subject areas. The definition of a waiver changed for Title II reporting in 2004. A waiver is any temporary, provisional or emergency permit, license or other authorization that permits an individual to teach in a public school classroom without having received an initial certificate or license from that state unless the teacher is a short- or long-term substitute or is participating in an alternate route program and meets the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) criteria for being highly qualified. The changes to the definition aligned the HEA Title II definition with the state certification and licensure requirements for highly qualified teachers in ESEA. Further, the new definition better reflected state certification and licensure policies across the nation. The collection of the waiver data changed from a snapshot to a full-year head count of teachers on waivers. Also, the subject areas for which waiver data were reported were refined. Teachers participating in an alternative route who met the criteria for being highly qualified under ESEA, but who may not have held a teaching license or certificate, began to be excluded from the count of teachers on waivers. As a result of these changes, waiver data collected prior to 2004 cannot be compared to waiver data collected in 2004 and beyond. Because the 2008 legislation does not require states to report waiver data, waiver data were no longer collected beginning with the 2009 state reports. Waiver data collected from 2004 through 2008, the last year waiver data were collected, are included in this report.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Prior to 2010, the Department's Title II reporting guide defined "academic year" (AY) as any period of 12 consecutive months, as defined by the state. Starting in 2010, the Department defined AY as a period of 12 consecutive months, starting Sept. 1 and ending Aug. 31. Single years used in this report refer to the calendar year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> State review cycles are usually an academic year, but it may be a calendar year. States reported for the most recent review cycle for which they had complete data in October of each year.

# Design of the State Reporting System

States used the Department's Web-based reporting system to enter data for each of the three collections, 2008, 2009, 2010, presented in this transitional report. The reporting system was developed according to the requirements of the current and prior Title II authorizations, and was refined based on input from representatives of teacher preparation programs, states, testing companies and national organizations. The data elements included in the legislation were operationalized to allow for the collection of consistent information across states.

Much of the state Title II information is collected in narrative form; through some data elements call for numeric responses. Table ES2 highlights the main data elements of the state report and whether a narrative or numeric response is required. A narrative response may include responding to questions by checking yes or no, selecting from a list of possible responses or typing a response in a text box. A numeric response requires that the state enter a number in response to a question or upload a data file. Data elements may require only narrative responses, only numeric responses or both types of responses. See appendix 2 for the Title II state report.

Table ES2. New data elements in the state reports

| Data element  | Narrative | Numeric |
|---|-----------|---------|
| A description of traditional and alternative route teacher preparation program admissions requirements  | <b>✓</b>  |         |
| The number of students enrolled in each teacher preparation program by gender, race and ethnicity   |           | ✓       |
| The number of hours required prior to student teaching and for student teaching, and the number of faculty and prospective teachers participating at each teacher preparation program   |           | ✓       |
| The number of teachers prepared by certification area, academic major and subject area  |           | ✓       |
| The total number of teachers receiving initial certification or licensure   |           | ✓       |
| The total number of traditional and alternative route teacher preparation program completers  |           | ✓       |
| A description of the reliability and validity of teacher certification or licensure assessments and requirements  | 1         |         |
| A description of each state teacher certificate or license and the requirements to obtain each certificate or license   | ✓         | 1       |
| A description of state teacher standards and the alignment of the standards with assessments for teacher certification or licensure and state academic standards  | 1         |         |
| The institutional and state pass rates of traditional and alternative route program completers on assessments required for certification or licensure, including the minimum passing score  |           | 1       |
| A description of alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure   | ✓         | 1       |
| A description of criteria for determining low-performing teacher preparation programs and a list of any teacher preparation programs that the state identified as low-performing or at risk of being identified as low-performing | 1         |         |
| A description of the extent to which teacher preparation programs addressed shortages of highly qualified teachers  | 1         |         |
| A description of the extent to which teacher preparation programs prepared teachers to teach students with disabilities and students who are limited English proficient   | 1         |         |
| A description of the extent to which teacher preparation programs prepared teachers to integrate technology into curricula and instruction  | 1         |         |
| A description of steps the state has taken to improve teacher quality during the past year  | 1         |         |

States had the option to provide introductory or supplemental information to provide context for their reports. States completed and certified their report on or before the October reporting deadline in each year.

The state reporting system was designed to ensure that states would submit complete and accurate data and narrative information in their reports. The reporting system contains internal edit check functions that assist states to identify missing or incomplete data and increase reporting accuracy. For example, through these functions, states could correct data reported by teacher preparation programs in the state report. States also received technical assistance with their reporting. During and following the reporting period, states were provided with multiple opportunities to review, verify and correct their data. To further improve data quality, states were able to revise previous years' data omissions and correct errors. As a result, data presented in this report for previous reporting years may appear inconsistent when compared with data published in earlier reports, but data in this report are more accurate.

### State Participation in Title II Reporting

Since 2001, the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Guam and Puerto Rico have participated in Title II reporting. The Virgin Islands began reporting in 2002. American Samoa, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands, the Northern Mariana Islands and Palau began reporting in 2006. Palau does not currently have a teacher certification or licensure system in place and does not report any data.

### **Key Terminology**

The definitions used in this report are those that the Department established for HEA Title II reporting. Key definitions are included here.

- **Cut score.** The minimum score required by the state to pass a teacher certification or licensure assessment.
- Enrolled student. A student who has been admitted to a teacher preparation program but who has not yet completed the program.
- **Initial certification or licensure.** The first teaching certificate or license issued to an individual. The specific certificates or licenses classified as initial certification in each state are defined by the state. States are to provide information on degree, course work, assessment, supervised clinical experiences and other requirements.
- Low-performing teacher preparation program. A program that a state identifies on the basis of criteria it has established for identifying lowperforming teacher preparation programs. The criteria may be based on the data collected to meet Title II reporting requirements.
- **Median score.** The median of an odd number of scores is the middle number when the scores are listed in increasing order; the median of an even number of scores is the arithmetic mean of the two middle scores when the scores are listed in increasing order.
- **Program completer.** A person who has met all the requirements of a state-approved teacher preparation program. Program completers include all those who are documented as having met such requirements. Documentation may take the form of a degree, institutional certificate, program credential, transcript or other written proof of having met the program's requirements. In applying this definition, the fact that an individual has or has not been recommended to the state for initial certification or licensure may not be used as a criterion for determining who is a program completer.
- **Summary pass rate.** The percentage of students who passed all tests they took for their area of specialization among those who took one or more tests in their specialization areas.

- Teacher preparation program. A state-approved course of study, the completion of which signifies that an enrollee has met all the state's educational requirements, or training requirements, or both, for initial certification or licensure to teach in the states' elementary, middle or secondary schools. A teacher preparation program may be either a traditional program or an alternative route to certification, as defined by the state. Also, it may be within or outside an IHE. For Title II reporting, all traditional teacher preparation programs at a single IHE are considered to be a single program.
  - O Alternative route teacher preparation programs primarily serve candidates that are the teacher of record in a classroom while participating in the route. For purposes of Title II reporting, each state determines which teacher preparation programs are alternative routes. Also, they may be within or outside an IHE.
  - O Traditional teacher preparation programs generally serve undergraduate students who have no prior teaching or work experience, and lead at least to a bachelor's degree. Some traditional teacher preparation programs may lead to a teaching credential but not to a degree. A traditional teacher preparation program in the outlying areas may lead to an associate's degree.
- Waiver. Any temporary, provisional or emergency permit, license or other authorization that permits an individual to teach in a public school classroom without having received an initial certificate or license from that state unless the teacher is a short- or long-term substitute or is participating in an alternative route program and meets the *Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)*, as amended, criteria for being highly qualified.

# Selected Findings From 2008, 2009 and 2010 State Reports

The findings from the state reports are organized into five chapters. Each chapter contains figures and tables following most of the bulleted statements to provide a graphic view of the data and display national data trends, when available. Selected findings from each chapter are presented below.

### **Teacher Preparation Programs**

- In 2010, states reported data on 2,054 teacher preparation programs.<sup>6</sup>
- Three types of teacher preparation programs were reported, with 71 percent classified as traditional, 21 percent alternative teacher preparation programs based at institutions of higher education (IHEs) and 8 percent alternative teacher preparation programs not based at IHEs.
- During AY 2008–09, a total of 724,173 students were enrolled in teacher preparation programs.
- Teacher preparation programs prepared a total of 235,138 completers in AY 2008–09. This represented a decrease of 1 percent from the previous academic year (236,592 in AY 2007–08) and a 1 percent increase from AY 2006–07 (231,675).
- States reported on supervised clinical experiences for the first time in 2010. The curriculum policies of each state and its teacher preparation institutions identified course work that is clinical and nonclinical. Thus, the data reported on supervised clinical experience varied from state to state.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See Key Terminology on page 9 for the definition of teacher preparation program. For purposes of Title II reporting, all traditional teacher preparation programs at a single IHE are considered to be a single program. An IHE with both a traditional teacher preparation program and an alternative route teacher preparation program is counted as having two teacher preparation programs.

### State Standards for Teacher Certification or Licensure

- In 2010, 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands reported that they had standards that prospective teachers must meet in order to attain initial teacher certification or licensure.
- In 2010, 43 states, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa and the Northern Mariana Islands had a policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure standards with early learning standards for early childhood education programs. States reported on this data element for the first time in 2010.

### **Evaluation of Teacher Preparation Programs**

- In 2010, 28 states and Puerto Rico had teacher preparation program evaluation criteria that included the program's progress in improving student academic achievement for elementary and secondary students.
- In 2010, 10 states and Puerto Rico reported 38 at-risk and low-performing teacher preparation programs. Twenty-six of these programs were identified as at-risk and 12 were classified as low-performing.
- At-risk and low-performing programs represented a very small proportion (less than 2 percent) of the total number of IHEs and alternative route programs that prepare teachers.

### State Initial Certification or Licensure for Teachers

- In 2010, states reported on the total number of initial teaching licenses or certificates issued in AY 2008–09 to individuals trained in the state and to individuals trained in another state. States reported a total of 313,787 initial teaching licenses or certificates issued in AY 2008–09.
- The proportion of teachers working with waivers of full certification continued to decrease, going from 1.5 percent in AY 2006–07 to 1.4 percent in AY 2007–08. However, the percentage of teachers with a waiver in high-poverty school districts<sup>7</sup> (2.0%) continued to exceed the percentage for all other districts (1.1%).
- In AY 2007–08, 21 percent of teachers receiving initial teaching licenses or certificates were trained in another state.

### Assessments Required for Teacher Certification or Licensure

- In AY 2008–09, 48 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands assessed initial teacher candidates through state testing.
- Not all states required assessments for initial certification or licensure. Iowa, Montana, American Samoa, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands and Palau have either announced plans to use assessments or were deciding on the minimum passing score. As of AY 2008–09, Iowa, Montana, American Samoa, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands and Palau did not require testing for initial teacher certification or licensure.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> High-poverty school districts are determined using the quartile of the highest percentage of children living in poverty based on estimates generated by the Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE) program. The estimates provided are only for local education agencies (LEAs) identified in the U.S. Census Bureau's school district mapping project. For more information about the SAIPE data, visit http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/saipe. For charter schools, states would need to include data for teachers if (1) the charter schools are considered to be LEAs and (2) the state requires teachers in those schools to meet the same requirements for initial certification as any other public school teacher. High-poverty school districts are contrasted with all other districts in the state.

## CHAPTER I TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAMS

With the amendments to the *HEA* enacted in 2008, state Title II reports now provide more traditional and alternative route teacher preparation program-level data than in previous years. The state reports also now provide data on a third type of program, non-IHE based alternative routes. Under the new 2008 requirements, states now report on the number of students enrolled in each of the three types of teacher preparation programs by gender, race, ethnicity; the number of teachers prepared by certification, major and subject area; program admissions requirements; and hours of supervised clinical experience data.

### **Program Types**

- In 2010, states reported data on 2,054 teacher preparation programs.<sup>8</sup>
- The teacher preparation programs were reported by one of three classifications, traditional, alternative teacher preparation programs based at IHEs, or alternative teacher preparation programs not based at IHEs (see figure 1).
- Among the three types of teacher preparation programs, 71 percent were classified as traditional; 21 percent were alternative teacher preparation programs based at institutions of higher education (IHEs); and 8 percent were alternative teacher preparation programs not based at IHEs (see figure 1).

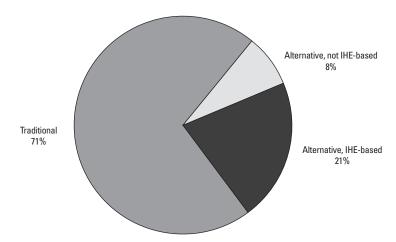


Figure 1. Classification of teacher preparation programs by type of program: 2010

**NOTE:** The 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands submitted a state Title II report in 2010. Federated States of Micronesia did not submit a state Title II report in 2010. Republic of the Marshall Islands did not submit a state Title II report in 2010. The Department used the 2010 reporting year to pilot the new reporting procedures and instruments. That year, the Department directed states and teacher preparation programs to report as completely as was reasonably possible, while they used the pilot year to build capacity and develop processes for collecting full and accurate data in 2011. Consequently, new data elements that states reported in 2010 vary in comprehensiveness and limit the Department's ability to fully interpret the data.

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- In 2010, 45 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands reported that the state had approved alternative routes to certification (see figure 2). In 2009, there were 48 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands and, in 2008, 48 states, Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands with approved alternative routes to certification.9
- Twenty-one states and the District of Columbia had one or more initial teacher certificates or licenses given only to alternative teacher preparation program participants or completers. States reported on this data element for the first time in 2010.

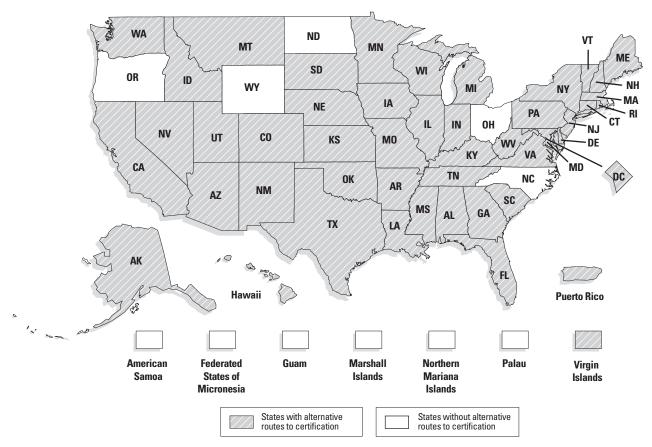


Figure 2. States with approved alternative routes to certification: 2010

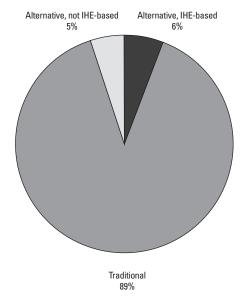
NOTE: Alternative route teacher preparation programs primarily serve candidates that are the teacher of record in a classroom while participating in the route. For purposes of Title II reporting, alternative route teacher preparation programs are defined as such by the state. For purposes of this figure, the term "state" refers to any of the states of the United States, as well as the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, Guam, American Samoa, the United States Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and the Freely Associated States (the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of Palau). Federated States of Micronesia did not submit a state Title II report in 2010. Republic of the Marshall Islands did not submit a state Title II report in 2010. The Department used the 2010 reporting year to pilot the new reporting procedures and instruments. That year, the Department directed states and teacher preparation programs to report as completely as was reasonably possible, while they used the pilot year to build capacity and develop processes for collecting full and accurate data in 2011. Consequently, data elements that states reported in 2010 vary in comprehensiveness and limit the Department's ability to fully interpret the data. Due to changes in the way states reported data on teacher certification or licensure in 2010, some alternative routes to certification that were previously reported as an approved route are now being reported as a certificate or license.

<sup>9</sup> Under the previous data collection, states were not asked specifically about certificates or licenses issued to individuals participating in or completing an alternative teacher preparation program. As such, some states reported certificates or licenses for individuals from alternative teacher preparation programs as alternative routes. Starting in 2010, states were asked to report certificates or licenses given to individuals from alternative routes. Thus, some states changed the way they reported on alternative routes to separately report on alternative routes and certificates or licenses issued to individuals from these routes.

### **Enrollment Characteristics**

- States reported on the number of students enrolled in teacher preparation programs for the first time in 2010 (AY 2008-09) (see table 1).
- During AY 2008–09, a total of 724,173 students were enrolled in teacher preparation programs.
  - o 74 percent of the enrolled students were female, and 25 percent were male.
  - O 11 percent of the enrolled students identified themselves as Hispanic or Latino students of any race; 69 percent of the students identified themselves as White, and 8 percent identified themselves as Black or African American.
  - O Of the Black or African American enrolled students, 15 percent were enrolled in Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs).10
  - O 89 percent of students were enrolled in traditional teacher preparation programs; 6 percent were enrolled in alternative teacher preparation programs based at IHEs; and 5 percent were enrolled in alternative teacher preparation programs not based at IHEs (see figure 3).

Figure 3. Enrollment in teacher preparation programs by type of program: AY 2008-09



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<sup>10</sup> Data on enrollment by gender, ethnicity and race were not available for all teacher preparation programs. Some teacher preparation programs only provided the total number of students enrolled.

Table 1. Number and percentage of students enrolled in teacher preparation programs, by selected characteristics and program type: AY 2008-09

|                                     | Program type |                       |         |            |        |                  |                               |            |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|---------|------------|--------|------------------|-------------------------------|------------|
| Selected characteristics            |              | eacher<br>on programs | Trad    | itional    |        | native,<br>based | Alternative,<br>not IHE-based |            |
|                                     | Number       | Percentage            | Number  | Percentage | Number | Percentage       | Number                        | Percentage |
| Total                               | 724,173      | _                     | 642,448 | _          | 43,186 | _                | 38,539                        | _          |
| Students enrolled by gender         |              |                       |         |            |        |                  |                               |            |
| Female                              | 532,867      | 74                    | 478,453 | 74         | 29,569 | 68               | 24,845                        | 64         |
| Male                                | 181,662      | 25                    | 155,112 | 24         | 13,443 | 31               | 13,107                        | 34         |
| Students enrolled by ethnicity      |              |                       |         |            |        |                  |                               |            |
| Hispanic/Latino of any race         | 80,396       | 11                    | 67,996  | 11         | 5,527  | 13               | 6,873                         | 18         |
| Students enrolled by race           |              |                       |         |            |        |                  |                               |            |
| American Indian<br>or Alaska Native | 6,489        | 1                     | 6,119   | 1          | 276    | 1                | 94                            | 0          |
| Asian                               | 16,915       | 2                     | 14,609  | 2          | 1,380  | 3                | 926                           | 2          |
| Black or African<br>American        | 56,232       | 8                     | 44,896  | 7          | 5,158  | 12               | 6,178                         | 16         |
| Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander | 4,097        | 1                     | 3,875   | 1          | 141    | 0                | 81                            | 0          |
| White                               | 496,637      | 69                    | 447,682 | 70         | 27,509 | 64               | 21,446                        | 56         |
| Two or more races                   | 8,604        | 1                     | 6,326   | 1          | 580    | 1                | 1,698                         | 4          |

NOTE: Data on enrollment by gender, ethnicity and race were not available for all teacher preparation programs. Some teacher preparation programs only provided the total number of students enrolled; thus, the sum of the number of students enrolled by characteristic will not equal the total. Percentages may not sum to 100. The Department used the 2010 reporting year to pilot the new reporting procedures and instruments. That year, the Department directed states and teacher preparation programs to report as completely as was reasonably possible, while they used the pilot year to build capacity and develop processes for collecting full and accurate data in 2011. Consequently, new data elements that states reported in 2010 vary in comprehensiveness and limit the Department's ability to fully interpret the data.

### **Admissions Requirements**

 States reported on the admissions requirements for teacher preparation programs for the first time in 2010 (see table 2).

Table 2. Most commonly reported admissions requirements, by program type and level, and percentage of teacher preparation programs with requirement: 2010

|   | Percentage of teacher preparation programs with admissions requirement |                  |  |                  |  |                     |  |
|---|--|------------------|--|------------------|--|---------------------|--|
| Common<br>admissions  | Traditional<br>( <i>N</i> =1,458)                                      |                  | Alternative, IHE-based<br>( <i>N</i> =430) |                  | Alternative, not IHE-based<br>( <i>N</i> =166) |                     |  |
| requirements  | Undergraduate<br>(%)   | Postgraduate (%) | Undergraduate<br>(%)                       | Postgraduate (%) | Undergraduate<br>(%)                           | Postgraduate<br>(%) |  |
| Application   | 86   | 66               | 22   | 95               | 9  | 89                  |  |
| Bachelor's degree or higher   | 1  | 64               | 5  | 95               | 7  | 92                  |  |
| Essay or personal statement   | 60   | 52               | 14   | 66               | 6  | 72                  |  |
| Interview   | 42   | 38               | 15   | 65               | 6  | 73                  |  |
| Minimum basic skills test score   | 68   | 41               | 27   | 69               | 5  | 63                  |  |
| Minimum number of credits completed   | 75   | 45               | 19   | 65               | 7  | 64                  |  |
| Minimum<br>undergraduate<br>grade point average<br>(GPA)                          | 79   | 62               | 21   | 87               | 5  | 67                  |  |
| Payment or fee  | 25   | 43               | 8  | 64               | 7  | 71                  |  |
| Recommendation(s)   | 59   | 56               | 16   | 70               | 5  | 69                  |  |
| Subject matter verification, such as a subject area or academic content area test | 21   | 29               | 10   | 70               | 5  | 70                  |  |
| Transcript  | 76   | 65               | 21   | 92               | 10   | 90                  |  |

NOTE: The most commonly reported admissions requirements are those that many, though not necessarily the majority, of the teacher preparation programs indicated were required for admissions. Most of the teacher preparation programs are classified as traditional teacher preparation programs. The Department used the 2010 reporting year to pilot the new reporting procedures and instruments. That year, the Department directed states and teacher preparation programs to report as completely as was reasonably possible, while they used the pilot year to build capacity and develop processes for collecting full and accurate data in 2011. Consequently, new data elements that states reported in 2010 vary in comprehensiveness and limit the Department's ability to fully interpret the data. SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Office of Postsecondary Education. (2011). Higher Education Act Title II Reporting System.

### **Supervised Clinical Experience Requirements**

- States reported on supervised clinical experiences for the first time in 2010.
- The curriculum policies of each state and its teacher preparation institutions identified course work that is clinical and nonclinical. Thus, the data reported on supervised clinical experience varied from state to state.
- Of the total students enrolled, 50 percent were taking part in supervised clinical experience during AY 2008-09.
- The majority (90 percent) of the students participating in supervised clinical experience were from traditional teacher preparation programs, which serve most students (see figure 3).
- Among the teacher preparation programs that reported data on supervised clinical experience requirements, the average number of hours of supervised clinical experience required prior to student teaching was 172. The average number of hours required for student teaching was 577 (see table 3).
- Within traditional teacher preparation programs that reported data on supervised clinical experience requirements, the average number of hours of supervised clinical experience required prior to student teaching was 177. The average number of hours required for student teaching was 514 (see table 3).
- Within alternative teacher preparation programs based at IHEs that reported data on supervised clinical experience requirements, the average number of hours of supervised clinical experience required prior to student teaching was 151. The average number of hours required for student teaching was 725 (see table 3).
- Within alternative teacher preparation programs not based at IHEs that reported data on supervised clinical experience requirements, the average number of hours of supervised clinical experience required prior to student teaching was 169. The average number of hours required for student teaching was 901 (see table 3).

Table 3. Number of hours required for supervised clinical experiences, by selected characteristics and program type: AY 2008-09

|                           | Program type                     |             |                           |                               |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Selected characteristics  | All teacher preparation programs | Traditional | Alternative,<br>IHE-based | Alternative,<br>not IHE-based |  |  |  |  |
| Prior to student teaching |                                  |             |                           |                               |  |  |  |  |
| Average number of hours   | 172                              | 177         | 151                       | 169                           |  |  |  |  |
| For student teaching      |                                  |             |                           |                               |  |  |  |  |
| Average number of hours   | 577                              | 514         | 725                       | 901                           |  |  |  |  |

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### **Program Completers**

■ Teacher preparation programs prepared a total of 235,138 completers in AY 2008–09. This represented a decrease of 1 percent from the previous academic year (236,592 in AY 2007-08) and a 1 percent increase from AY 2006-07 (231,675) (see figure 4).

#### **Traditional Routes**

- Traditional teacher preparation programs prepared 186,488 completers in AY 2008–09. This represented a decrease of 1 percent from the previous academic year (188,327 in AY 2007-08) and a 1 percent increase from AY 2006-07 (185,208) (see figure 4).
- In AY 2008–09, the proportion of program completers in traditional teacher preparation programs, as compared to alternative programs, was 79 percent. This represented a decrease from the two previous academic years, when the proportion of program completers in traditional preparation programs was 80 percent in each year (see figure 5).

#### Alternative Routes

- States reported the number of program completers from alternative teacher preparation programs based at IHEs and alternative teacher preparation programs not based at IHEs separately for the first time in 2010. States provided these data for AY 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09.
- Alternative teacher preparation programs based at IHEs prepared 21,766 completers in AY 2008–09. This represented an increase of 1 percent from the previous academic year (21,589 in AY 2007-08) and a 2 percent decrease from AY 2006-07 (22,178) (see figure 4).
- Alternative teacher preparation programs not based at IHEs prepared 26,884 completers in AY 2008– 09. This represented an increase of 1 percent from the previous academic year (26,676 in AY 2007–08) and an 11 percent increase from AY 2006-07 (24,289) (see figure 4).
- In AY 2008–09, nine percent of completers came from alternative programs based at IHEs and 11 percent came from alternative programs not based at IHEs (see figure 5).

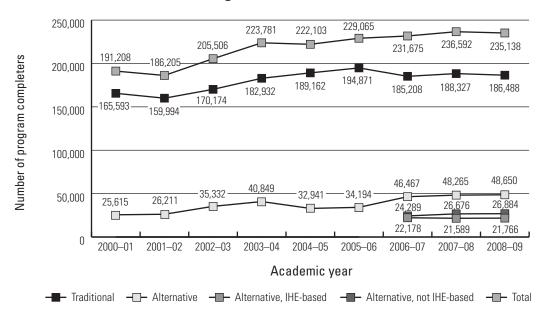


Figure 4. Trend in total number of program completers, by traditional and alternative routes: AY 2000-01 through AY 2008-09

NOTE: The 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands submitted a state Title II report in 2010. Federated States of Micronesia did not submit a state Title II report in 2007 or 2010. Republic of the Marshall Islands did not submit a state Title II report in 2009 or 2010. Data presented in this report for previous years may not be consistent with data published in earlier reports because states are able to revise their data. The number of alternative completers in AY 2006-07 through AY 2008-09 is the sum of the alternative, IHE-based completers and alternative, not IHE-based completers. The Department used the 2010 reporting year to pilot the new reporting procedures and instruments. That year, the Department directed states and teacher preparation programs to report as completely as was reasonably possible, while they used the pilot year to build capacity and develop processes for collecting full and accurate data in 2011. Consequently, data elements that states reported in 2010 vary in comprehensiveness and limit the Department's ability to fully interpret the data.

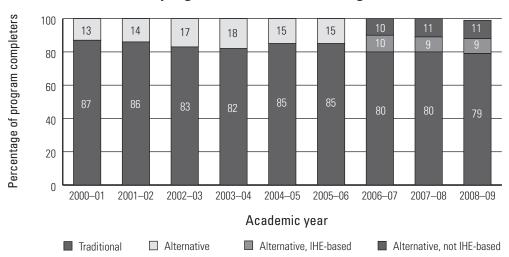


Figure 5. Trend in percentage of program completers attending traditional and alternative route programs: AY 2000–01 through AY 2008–09

**NOTE:** Due to changes in the data collection, states reported the number of program completers from alternative teacher preparation programs based at IHEs and alternative teacher preparation programs not based at IHEs separately for the first time in 2010. States provided these data for AY 2006–07, 2007–08 and 2008–09. Data for AY 2006-07 through 2008-09 include the percentage of program completers for traditional teacher preparation programs, alternative, IHE-based teacher preparation programs and alternative, not IHE-based teacher preparation programs. The total percentage of alternative completers in AY 2006–07 through AY 2008–09 is the sum of the percentage of alternative, IHE-based completers and alternative, not IHE-based completers. See Key Terminology for definitions of teacher preparation programs. The 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands submitted a state Title II report in 2010. Federated States of Micronesia did not submit a state Title II report in 2007 or 2010. Republic of the Marshall Islands did not submit a state Title II report in 2009 or 2010. Data presented in this report for previous years may not be consistent with data published in earlier reports because states are able to revise their data. Percentages may not sum to 100 due to rounding. The Department used the 2010 reporting year to pilot the new reporting procedures and instruments. That year, the Department directed states and teacher preparation programs to report as completely as was reasonably possible, while they used the pilot year to build capacity and develop processes for collecting full and accurate data in 2011. Consequently, data elements that states reported in 2010 vary in comprehensiveness and limit the Department's ability to fully interpret the data.

### Top Teacher Producers by State and Program Type

- The five states that prepared the greatest number of teacher preparation program completers in AY 2008–09 were (see figure 6):
  - o Texas (28,115)
  - o New York (26,670)
  - o Illinois (18,121)
  - o California (17,407)
  - O Pennsylvania (12,800)
- The five states that prepared the greatest number of traditional route completers in AY 2008–09 were (see figure 7):
  - o New York (23,327)
  - o Illinois (17,682)
  - o California (13,017)
  - O Pennsylvania (12,357)
  - o Texas (11,725)
- The five states that prepared the greatest number of alternative route completers based at IHEs in AY 2008–09 were (see figure 8):
  - o California (3,664)
  - o Texas (3,440)
  - o New York (3,343)
  - O New Jersey (2,040)
  - o Florida (1,962)
- States reported the number of program completers from alternative teacher preparation programs based at IHEs and alternative teacher preparation programs not based at IHEs separately for the first time in 2010. States provided these data for AY 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09.
- The five states that prepared the greatest number of alternative route completers not based at IHEs in AY 2008–09 were (see figure 9):
  - o Texas (12,950)
  - o New Jersey (2,718)
  - o Florida (1,649)
  - o Alabama (1,396)
  - O Oklahoma (1,186)

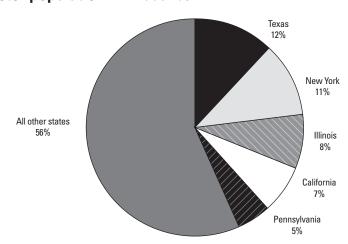
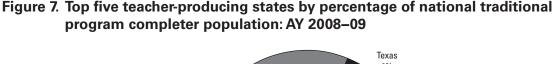
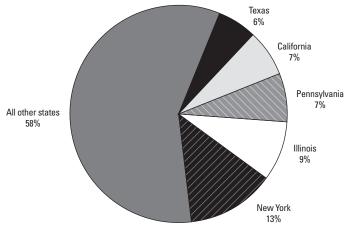


Figure 6. Top five teacher-producing states by percentage of national program completer population: AY 2008-09

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California 17% All other states 34% Texas 16% Florida New York 9% 15% New Jersey

Figure 8. Top five teacher-producing states by percentage of national alternative route, IHE-based program completer population: AY 2008-09

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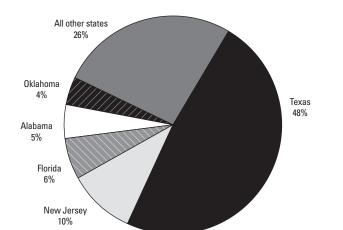


Figure 9. Top five teacher-producing states by percentage of national alternative route, not IHE-based program completer population: AY 2008-09

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### **CHAPTER II** STATE STANDARDS FOR TEACHER CERTIFICATION OR LICENSURE

States have reported on state standards for teacher certification or licensure since the inception of Title II reporting, but the specific data elements have changed. With the amendments to HEA enacted in 2008, states in 2010 reported on teacher standards for early childhood education and the use of national organizations' standards in the development of the state teacher standards for the first time

### **New Data Elements Reported in 2010**

- As Title II of *HEA* now requires, states responded to these specific questions below for the first time in 2010.
  - O Has the state established early learning standards for early childhood education programs?
  - O Were the standards of any national organizations used, modified or referenced in the development of the state teacher standards?
  - O Has the state established challenging academic content standards for K-12 students that specify what children are expected to know and be able to do, contain coherent and rigorous content and encourage the teaching of advanced skills?
  - O Has the state established a policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure standards with the assessments required for teacher certification or licensure?
  - O Has the state established a policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure standards with the challenging academic content standards for K-12 students?
  - O Has the state established a policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure standards with early learning standards for early childhood education programs?
  - O Has the state established a policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure assessments with the challenging academic content standards for K-12 students?
  - O Has the state established a policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure assessments with early learning standards for early childhood education programs?
  - O Are there other steps being taken to develop or implement teacher standards and align teacher preparation, certification, licensure or assessment standards with content standards for students?

### **State Standards for Teachers**

- In 2010, 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands reported that they had standards that prospective teachers must meet in order to attain initial teacher certification or licensure.
- In 2009, 48 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands reported that they had standards that prospective teachers must meet in order to attain initial teacher certification or licensure.
- This is an increase from 2008 when 47 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands had developed standards that prospective teachers must meet in order to attain initial teacher certification or licensure.

### **Policy on Standards for Teachers**

- In 2010, 46 states, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa and the Northern Mariana Islands had a policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure standards with the challenging academic content standards for K-12 students (see table 4).
- In 2009, 42 states, Guam and the Marshall Islands had established a policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure standards with state content standards for students and, in 2008, 44 states, Guam and the Marshall Islands had established such a policy.
- In 2010, 43 states, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa and the Northern Mariana Islands had a policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure standards with early learning standards for early childhood education programs (see table 4).

Table 4. Summary of state policies on and status of teacher standards: 2010

| Policies or standards   | Number of states responding "yes" |  |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|
| Has the state developed standards that prospective teachers must meet in order to attain initial teacher certification or licensure?  | 56                                |  |
| Were the standards of any national organizations used, modified or referenced in the development of the state teacher standards?*   | 46                                |  |
| Has the state established challenging academic content standards for K-12 students that specify what children are expected to know and be able to do, contain coherent and rigorous content and encourage the teaching of advanced skills?* | 56                                |  |
| Has the state established early learning standards for early childhood education programs?*   | 52                                |  |
| Has the state established a policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure standards with the assessments required for teacher certification or licensure?*  | 51                                |  |
| Has the state established a policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure standards with the challenging academic content standards for K–12 students?*   | 50                                |  |
| Has the state established a policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure standards with early learning standards for early childhood education programs?*  | 47                                |  |
| Has the state established policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure assessments with the challenging academic content standards for K–12 students?*   | 45                                |  |
| Has the state established policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure assessments with early learning standards for early childhood education programs?*  | 43                                |  |
| Are there other steps being taken to develop or implement teacher standards and align teacher preparation, certification, licensure or assessment standards with content standards for students?*   | 42                                |  |

<sup>\*</sup>New data element in 2010.

NOTE: For purposes of this table, the term "state" refers to any of the states of the United States, as well as the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, Guam, American Samoa, the United States Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and the Freely Associated States (the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of Palau). Federated States of Micronesia did not submit a state Title II report in 2010. Republic of the Marshall Islands did not submit a state Title II report in 2010. The Department used the 2010 reporting year to pilot the new reporting procedures and instruments. That year, the Department directed states and teacher preparation programs to report as completely as was reasonably possible, while they used the pilot year to build capacity and develop processes for collecting full and accurate data in 2011. Consequently, new data elements that states reported in 2010 vary in comprehensiveness and limit the Department's ability to fully interpret the data. SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Office of Postsecondary Education. (2011). Higher Education Act Title II Reporting System.

- In 2010, nearly all states have set teacher standards at all levels across all fields (see table 5).
- Forty-four states, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and Puerto Rico have set teacher standards at all levels in special education, and 40 states Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands have set teacher standards at all levels in the arts (see table 5).
- At the secondary level, 39 states, the District of Columbia, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and Puerto Rico have set teachers standards in mathematics and science (see table 5).

Table 5. Number of states that have set teacher standards in specific fields, by grade level: 2010

|                                   | Grade level and number of states |                    |               |               |                  |                     |  |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|---------------------|--|
| Field                             | All levels                       | Early<br>childhood | Grades<br>K–3 | Grades<br>4–6 | Middle<br>grades | Secondary<br>grades |  |
| Across all fields                 | 54                               | 40                 | 37            | 30            | 35               | 44                  |  |
| Arts                              | 42                               | 20                 | 27            | 27            | 27               | 28                  |  |
| Bilingual education, ESL          | 41                               | 20                 | 27            | 27            | 27               | 28                  |  |
| Civics and government             | 11                               | 7                  | 11            | 15            | 25               | 31                  |  |
| Economics                         | 10                               | 5                  | 10            | 14            | 23               | 30                  |  |
| English or language arts          | 28                               | 21                 | 29            | 30            | 36               | 41                  |  |
| Foreign languages                 | 37                               | 15                 | 24            | 24            | 26               | 30                  |  |
| Geography                         | 12                               | 8                  | 15            | 18            | 25               | 30                  |  |
| History                           | 15                               | 10                 | 17            | 20            | 29               | 34                  |  |
| Mathematics                       | 24                               | 21                 | 29            | 30            | 38               | 43                  |  |
| Science                           | 23                               | 20                 | 27            | 30            | 38               | 43                  |  |
| Social studies                    | 21                               | 19                 | 27            | 30            | 39               | 44                  |  |
| Special education                 | 47                               | 33                 | 30            | 30            | 31               | 31                  |  |
| Technology in teaching            | 34                               | 20                 | 24            | 25            | 29               | 30                  |  |
| Vocational or technical education | 10                               | 5                  | 6             | 12            | 31               | 41                  |  |

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### **National Association Standards**

■ In 2010, 43 states, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands reported using, modifying or referencing standards of national organizations in the development of their state teacher standards. Among the states that provided details on the standards used, 24 states, Guam and the Virgin Islands reported that they used the Interstate Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium (InTASC) standards, and 16 states and Guam noted that they used the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) standards. Other organizations listed included the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) and the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL), among other content-specific groups.

### Most common national organizations referenced by states in the development of teacher standards

Interstate Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium (InTASC)

National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE)

National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM)

National Science Teachers Association (NSTA)

Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)

National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)

National Council for the Social Studies (NCSS)

National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE)

National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS)

American Association for Health Education (AAHE)

American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL)

Association for Childhood Education International (ACEI)

International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE)

National Association for Sport and Physical Education (NASPE)

International Reading Association (IRA)

National Middle School Association (NMSA)

Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)

American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD)

Interstate School Leaders Licensure Consortium Standards (ISLLC)

American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)

American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (AACTE)

American Library Association (ALA)

Association for Childhood Education (ACE)

Council on Technology Teacher Education (CTTE)

Educational Testing Service-Pathwise

National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD)

National Association of Schools of Dance (NASD)

National Dance Education Organization (NDEO)

North American Association for Environmental Education (NAAEE)

Teacher Education Accreditation Council (TEAC)

# CHAPTER III **EVALUATION OF TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAMS**

While states have reported on the evaluation of their teacher preparation programs in previous years, HEA as reauthorized in 2008 increased the amount of information that states report on assessing program performance and identifying at-risk and low-performing programs. For example, states reported on the implementation of criteria for assessing the performance of alternative teacher preparation programs for the first time in 2010. Also, questions about additional criteria, such as progress in improving student academic achievement, were added to what states needed to report. Of the 38 programs identified by states as low-performing or at-risk, 21 are housed at institutions of higher education that participate in the Higher Education Act's TEACH Grant program that is designed to provide scholarship aid to high achieving students attending high quality teacher preparation programs.

# **New Data Elements Reported in 2010**

- States responded to the specific data elements below for the first time in 2010.
  - O 47 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands implemented criteria for assessing the performance of traditional teacher preparation programs.
  - O 32 states and Puerto Rico implemented criteria for assessing the performance of alternative teacher preparation programs.
- States reported on the criteria below for the first time in 2010.
  - O 37 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands had criteria that include a determination of passing rates on state certification or licensure assessments in the academic content areas.
  - O 43 states and Puerto Rico had criteria that include indicators of teaching skills.
  - O 22 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands had criteria that include progress in increasing the percentage of highly qualified teachers in the state.
  - O 22 states and Puerto Rico had criteria that include progress in increasing professional development opportunities.
  - O 28 states and Puerto Rico had criteria that include progress in improving student academic achievement for elementary and secondary students.
  - O 23 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands had criteria that include progress in raising the standards for entry into the teaching profession.

# Identifying Low-performing Teacher Preparation Programs and Those at Risk of **Being Considered Low-performing**

 As Title II of HEA requires, each state determines the criteria for assessing teacher preparation programs and identifying low-performing teacher preparation programs and those at-risk of being considered low-performing.<sup>11</sup>

<sup>11</sup> See Appendix 1, Sections 205(b)(1)(F) and 207 for more information. For details on each state's criteria, visit https://title2.ed.gov. States report both the name of the IHE, if the teacher preparation program is IHE-based, and the teacher preparation program that has been identified as lowperforming or at-risk. This can be the entire teacher preparation program or a specific portion of the teacher preparation program.

- In 2010, 10 states and Puerto Rico reported 38 low-performing teacher preparation programs and those at-risk of receiving this designation. Twenty-six of these programs were identified as at-risk and 12 were classified as low-performing (see table 6).
- Thirty-one of the 38 low-performing teacher preparation programs and those at-risk of receiving this designation were located in 29 different traditional teacher preparation institutions, and seven were alternative teacher preparation programs (see table 6).

Table 6. At-risk and low-performing institutions, by risk type and state: 2010

| State           | Institution name  | Program type                  | Program name(s)   | Risk type | Date<br>designated |
|-----------------|---|-------------------------------|---|-----------|--------------------|
| California      | Alliant International<br>University*                          | Traditional                   | Multiple Subject Program<br>Intern; Single Subject; Education<br>Specialist | At-risk   | 6/19/08            |
| Florida         | University of Tampa*  | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program   | At-risk   | 7/1/10             |
| Illinois        | Columbia College Chicago                                      | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program   | At-risk   | 11/19/08           |
| Indiana         | Anderson University*  | Traditional                   | Advanced Programs   | At-risk   | 1/7/10             |
|                 | Calumet College of St. Joseph                                 | Traditional                   | Initial Certification Program   | At-risk   | 2/9/10             |
| Maine           | Thomas College  | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program   | At-risk   | 2/10/10            |
|                 | University of Maine at Fort<br>Kent                           | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program   | At-risk   | 7/14/10            |
| Michigan        | Adrian College  | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program   | At-risk   | 8/10/10            |
|                 | Lake Superior State University*                               | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program   | At-risk   | 8/12/09            |
| Puerto Rico     | Caribbean University - Recinto de Ponce*                      | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program   | At-risk   | 10/30/10           |
| Rhode<br>Island | University of Rhode Island*                                   | Traditional                   | School Psychology   | At-risk   | 3/29/10            |
| South           | Limestone College   | Traditional                   | Education Unit  | At-risk   | 10/19/10           |
| Carolina        | Southern Wesleyan University*                                 | Traditional                   | Education Unit  | At-risk   | 10/19/10           |
| Texas           | Alternative Certification for<br>Teachers - Rio Grande Valley | Alternative,<br>not IHE-based | Alternative Certification for<br>Teachers - Rio Grande Valley               | At-risk   | 4/9/10             |
|                 | Arlington Baptist College                                     | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program   | At-risk   | 4/9/10             |
|                 | Houston Community College<br>System*                          | Alternative,<br>IHE-based     | Teacher Preparation Program   | At-risk   | 4/9/10             |
|                 | Intern Teacher Alternative<br>Certification Program           | Alternative,<br>not IHE-based | Intern Teacher Alternative<br>Certification Program                         | At-risk   | 4/9/10             |

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Table 6. At-risk and low-performing institutions, by risk type and state: 2010 continued

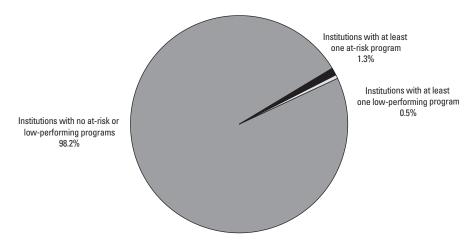
| State    | Institution name   | Program type                  | Program name(s)  | Risk type      | Date<br>designated |
|----------|--|-------------------------------|--|----------------|--------------------|
| Texas    | Jarvis Christian College*                                | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program                              | At-risk        | 4/9/10             |
| (cont'd) | Prairie View Agricultural & Mechanical University*       | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program                              | At-risk        | 4/9/10             |
|          | Region 02 Education Service<br>Center                    | Alternative,<br>not IHE-based | Region 02 Education Service<br>Center                    | At-risk        | 4/9/10             |
|          | Schreiner University*                                    | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program                              | At-risk        | 4/9/10             |
|          | Southwestern Adventist<br>University*                    | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program                              | At-risk        | 4/9/10             |
| -        | Teachers for the 21st Century                            | Alternative,<br>not IHE-based |  |                | 4/9/10             |
|          | Texas Alternative Center for Teachers                    | Alternative,<br>not IHE-based | Texas Alternative Center for<br>Teachers                 | At-risk        | 4/9/10             |
|          | Texas Southern University*                               | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program                              | At-risk        | 4/9/10             |
|          | University of St. Thomas*                                | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program                              | At-risk        | 4/9/10             |
| Florida  | Florida Memorial University*                             | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program                              | Low-performing | 7/1/10             |
| Michigan | Marygrove College*                                       | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program                              | Low-performing | 8/12/09            |
|          | Olivet College*  | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program                              | Low-performing | 8/12/09            |
|          | University of Detroit Mercy*                             | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program                              | Low-performing | 8/12/09            |
| New York | CUNY Brooklyn College*                                   | Traditional                   | English Content Specialty                                | Low-performing | 7/20/10            |
|          | CUNY Brooklyn College*                                   | Traditional                   | Student with Disability Content<br>Specialty             | Low-performing | 7/20/10            |
|          | D'Youville College                                       | Traditional                   | French Content Specialty                                 | Low-performing | 7/20/10            |
|          | Le Moyne College*  | Traditional                   | Social Studies Content Specialty                         | Low-performing | 7/20/10            |
|          | Touro College - Manhattan                                | Traditional                   | Teaching Students with Disabilities                      | Low-performing | 9/11/06            |
|          | Touro College - Manhattan                                | Traditional                   | Student with Disability Content<br>Specialty             | Low-performing | 7/20/10            |
| Texas    | Steps to Teaching – Alternative<br>Certification Program | Alternative,<br>not IHE-based | Steps to Teaching — Alternative<br>Certification Program | Low-performing | 4/9/10             |
|          | Texas College  | Traditional                   | Teacher Preparation Program                              | Low-performing | 4/9/10             |

<sup>\*</sup> Of the 38 programs identified by states as low-performing or at-risk, 21 are housed at institutions of higher education that participate in the Higher Education Act's TEACH Grant program that is designed to provide scholarship aid to high achieving students attending high quality teacher preparation programs.

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■ Under state procedures for assessing the quality of teacher preparation programs, those institutions that states identify as having at least one program that is low-performing or at-risk of being designated lowperforming represented a very small proportion (less than 2 percent) of the total number of IHEs and alternative route programs that prepare teachers (see figure 10).

Figure 10. Classification of teacher preparation programs by at-risk or low-performing status: 2010



NOTE: Definitions of the at-risk and low-performing categories were established by each state authority. The Department used the 2010 reporting year to pilot the new reporting procedures and instruments. That year, the Department directed states and teacher preparation programs to report as completely as was reasonably possible, while they used the pilot year to build capacity and develop processes for collecting full and accurate data in 2011. Consequently, data elements that states reported in 2010 vary in comprehensiveness and limit the Department's ability to fully interpret the data. In this figure, institutions include traditional IHE-based teacher preparation programs, alternative IHE-based teacher preparation programs, and alternative routes not based within IHEs. SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Office of Postsecondary Education. (2011). Higher Education Act Title II Reporting System.

- Of the 38 low-performing teacher preparation programs or those at-risk of being designated lowperforming reported in 2010, 14 were also reported as at-risk or low-performing in one or more previous years, though not necessarily in consecutive years (see table 7).
- In 2009, states reported that there were 28 low-performing teacher preparation programs or programs at-risk of being designated low-performing, and states reported 40 at-risk and low-performing teacher preparation programs in 2008.

Table 7. States that have identified at-risk or low-performing teacher preparation programs: 2002 through 2010

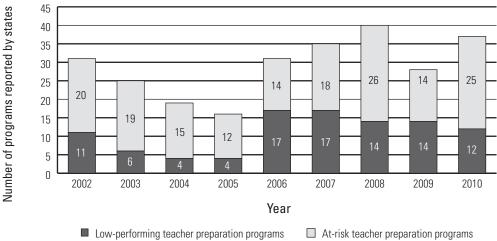
| State                  |        |        |        | At-risk (AR) | or Low-per | forming (LP | )      |        |        |
|------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------------|------------|-------------|--------|--------|--------|
| State                  | 2002   | 2003   | 2004   | 2005         | 2006       | 2007        | 2008   | 2009   | 2010   |
| Alabama                |        |        |        |              |            |             |        | LP     |        |
| California             |        |        |        |              |            |             | AR     | AR     | AR     |
| Connecticut            |        |        |        |              |            | LP          | LP     |        |        |
| Florida                | LP     |        | LP     | LP           | LP         | LP          | AR, LP | AR, LP | AR, LP |
| Georgia                | LP     |        | †      | †            | AR         | AR          | AR     |        |        |
| Illinois               |        | AR     | AR     | AR           | AR         | AR          |        |        | AR     |
| Indiana                |        |        | AR     | AR           |            |             |        |        | AR     |
| lowa                   |        |        |        |              | LP         |             |        |        |        |
| Kansas                 | AR     | AR     | AR, LP | AR, LP       | AR, LP     | AR, LP      | AR     |        |        |
| Kentucky               |        |        | AR     | LP           | AR         | AR, LP      | AR, LP | LP     |        |
| Louisiana              | LP     |        | AR     | AR           |            |             |        |        |        |
| Maine                  |        |        | AR     |              | AR         | AR          |        |        | AR     |
| Maryland               |        | LP     |        |              | AR         |             |        |        |        |
| Michigan               |        |        |        |              |            | AR, LP      | AR, LP | AR, LP | AR, LP |
| Mississippi            | AR     |        |        |              |            |             |        |        |        |
| Missouri               |        |        |        |              | AR         | AR          | AR     |        |        |
| New York               | AR     | AR     | AR     |              | LP         | LP          | LP     | LP     | LP     |
| North Carolina         | LP     | LP     | LP     | LP           | LP         |             |        |        |        |
| Ohio                   | AR     | AR     |        |              | AR         | AR          | AR     | AR     |        |
| Puerto Rico            |        |        |        |              |            |             | AR, LP | AR, LP | AR     |
| Rhode Island           |        |        |        |              |            |             |        |        | AR     |
| South Carolina         | AR     | AR, LP |        | AR           | AR         |             | AR     | AR     | AR     |
| Tennessee              | AR, LP | AR     | AR     | AR           |            |             |        |        |        |
| Texas                  | AR, LP | LP     |        |              | LP         |             |        |        | AR, LP |
| Washington             |        |        |        | AR           |            | AR          |        |        |        |
| Total number of states | 11     | 9      | 11     | 11           | 14         | 12          | 12     | 9      | 11     |

<sup>†</sup>The state did not specify the designation of the program. The program was being restructured.

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■ The number of low-performing teacher preparation programs or those at-risk of being considered lowperforming reported by states fluctuated between 2002 and 2010, ranging from a low of 16 programs in 2005 to a high of 40 programs in 2008 (see figure 11).

Figure 11. Number of at-risk and low-performing teacher preparation programs reported by states: 2002 through 2010



NOTE: Definitions of at-risk and low-performing teacher preparation programs were established by each state authority. In 2004 and 2005, one state did not specify the designation of one program. The 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands submitted a state Title II report in 2010. Federated States of Micronesia did not submit a state Title II report in 2007 or 2010. Republic of the Marshall Islands did not submit a state Title II report in 2009 or 2010. Data presented in this report for previous years may not be consistent with data published in earlier reports because states are able to revise their data. The Department used the 2010 reporting year to pilot the new reporting procedures and instruments. That year, the Department directed states and teacher preparation programs to report as completely as was reasonably possible, while they used the pilot year to build capacity and develop processes for collecting full and accurate data in 2011. Consequently, data elements that states reported in 2010 vary in comprehensiveness and limit the Department's ability to fully interpret the data.

# State Criteria for Assessing Teacher Preparation Programs Performance

- States set their own criteria for evaluating the performance of all three types of teacher preparation programs.
- States provided narrative responses to the following open-ended questions about identifying and assisting low-performing teacher preparation programs and those at-risk for being identified as lowperforming:
  - O Provide a list of the criteria your state has defined for classifying traditional teacher preparation programs as "low-performing" or "at-risk of being low-performing."
  - O Provide a list of the criteria your state has defined for classifying alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure as "low-performing" or "at-risk of being low-performing."
  - O Provide a description of the procedures your state uses to identify and assist (through the provisions of technical assistance) low-performing traditional teacher preparation programs.
  - O Provide a description of the procedures your state uses to identify and assist (through the provisions of technical assistance) low-performing alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure.
- There were 48 states that provided a detailed description of their criteria.
- Twenty-eight states reported that the criteria for classifying programs as low-performing or at-risk of being low-performing are the same for both traditional and alternative programs.
- Based on the data states provided on criteria they used to classify traditional and alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure as low-performing or at-risk of being low-performing, states can be classified into two groups: those that used either a single criterion or multiple criteria. Some states require programs to meet all of the criteria, while other states require programs to meet some number or combination of criteria.
  - O Among the 48 states, 21 states used a single criterion, which included:
    - Program's approval or accreditation status (typically based on multiple criteria)
    - Program's pass rate on state certification assessments
    - Program's completion rate
  - O Among the 48 states that provided a detailed description of their criteria, 27 states used multiple criteria to establish at-risk or low-performing status. The multiple criteria may include:
    - Pass rate data
    - Program approval or accreditation status
    - Minimum number of hours required for student teaching
    - Student to faculty ratios
    - School or district satisfaction surveys
    - Academic major requirements

- Adherence to state reporting requirements
- Program completion rates
- Certification rates
- Response to state or school district hiring needs
- Four states have different criteria for alternative programs.
  - O One state's criteria for alternative routes included additional requirements assessing the subjectmatter knowledge of program completers.
  - O Three states are in the process of developing criteria specific to alternative programs.
- The assessment of the teacher preparation programs may occur on a multiyear cycle as part of the state accreditation or approval process, which can include:
  - O on-site visits, interviews with stakeholders, documentation reviews, surveys or other data collections. States report using teams who are responsible for the review and approval of state teacher preparation programs.
  - O partnership with a national accreditation organization to conduct the review process.
  - O other activities, which may include:
    - Program self-evaluations designed to show evidence of meeting state standards and identifying areas for improvement.
    - Annual progress reports demonstrating the program's analysis of data, such as pass rates on certification assessments.
    - Other data collections, such as surveys of program graduates and their employers.
- Title II accountability provisions require states to provide technical assistance to programs identified as being low-performing, or at-risk of being so identified, which states may tailor to programs' needs such as:
  - O On-site visits
  - O Funding for program improvements
  - Outside resources or consultants
  - O Workshops or trainings
  - O Institutional mentoring
  - O Helping teacher preparation programs develop test-taking skills or practice testing programs
  - O State liaison programs: Some states report they have developed a state liaison program, which provides every teacher preparation program in the state with a dedicated state staff member to turn to for advice or assistance on a regular basis. If a program is identified as low-performing or as at-risk of being identified as low-performing, the state liaison may provide more intensive assistance, such as regular conference calls or meetings with the program.

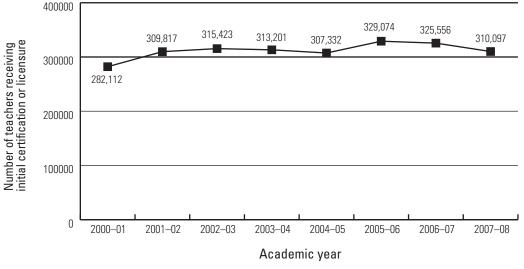
# CHAPTER IV STATE INITIAL CERTIFICATION OR LICENSURE FOR TEACHERS

States have reported on initial certification or licensure since the inception of Title II reporting, and *HEA* as reauthorized in 2008 expanded the reporting requirements. States began to report on the areas of initial teacher certification or licensure in 2010, such as elementary education, special education and English language arts. Also, the 2008 *HEA* reauthorization no longer requires states to report the number of teachers who are on waivers of initial state certification or licensure requirements.

# Initial Certificates or Licenses Issued by States

- In 2010, states reported on the total number of initial teaching licenses or certificates issued in AY 2008–09 to individuals trained in the state and to individuals trained in another state. States reported a total of 313,787 initial teaching licenses or certificates issued in AY 2008–09. Under the new 2008 requirements, data collected on initial teaching licenses or certificates in 2010 are not comparable to data collected in previous years. In previous years, states reported on the total number of teachers receiving initial certification or licensure. In 2010, states reported on the number of initial teaching licenses or certificates issued.
- In AY 2007–08, the total number of teachers receiving initial certification or licensure was 310,097, and in AY 2006–07, it was 325,556 (see figure 12).

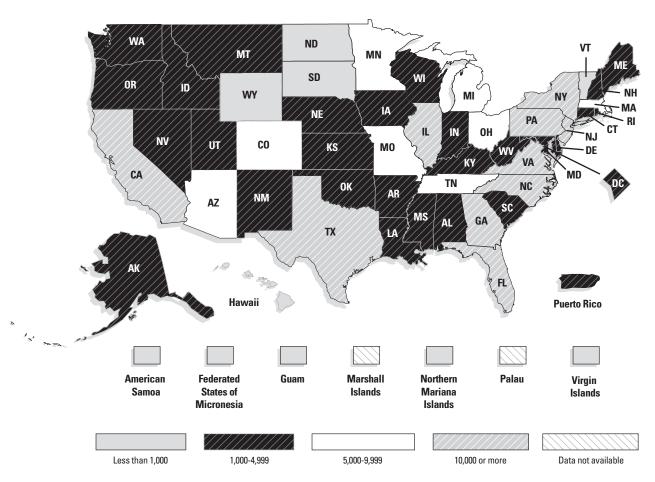
Figure 12. Trend in total number of teachers receiving initial certification or licensure:
AY 2000–01 through 2007–08



**NOTE:** The 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands submitted a state Title II report in 2010. Federated States of Micronesia did not submit a state Title II report in 2007. Republic of the Marshall Islands did not submit a state Title II report in 2009. Data presented in this report for previous years may not be consistent with data published in earlier reports because states are able to revise their data.

- For AY 2007–08, ten states reported issuing initial teaching certificates or licenses to over 10,000 teachers (see figure 13).
- Hawaii, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming, Vermont, American Samoa, the Federates States of Micronesia, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands reported issuing initial teaching certificates or licenses to less than 1,000 teachers (see figure 13).

Figure 13. Number of teachers receiving initial certification or licensure, by state: AY 2007-08



NOTE: For purposes of this figure, the term "state" refers to any of the states of the United States, as well as the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, Guam, American Samoa, the United States Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and the Freely Associated States (the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of Palau). Republic of the Marshall Islands did not submit a state Title II report in 2009.

- Colorado and American Samoa reported increasing the number of teachers receiving initial certification or licensure by 50 percent or more between AY 2006-07 and AY 2007-08 (see table 8).
- Between AY 2006–07 and AY 2007–08, 29 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Federated States of Micronesia, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands reported a decrease in the number of teachers receiving initial certification or licensure (see table 8).

Table 8. Total number of teachers receiving initial certification or licensure, by state: AY 2000-01 through AY 2007-08

| State                                |         |         |         | Acaden  | nic year |         |         |         | Percent change from   | Percent change from   |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| State                                | 2000–01 | 2001–02 | 2002–03 | 2003–04 | 2004–05  | 2005–06 | 2006–07 | 2007–08 | 2000-01 to<br>2007-08 | 2006-07 to<br>2007-08 |
| Alabama                              | 7,329   | 11,651  | 5,633   | 4,063   | 3,929    | 4,292   | 6,014   | 4,096   | -44                   | -32                   |
| Alaska                               | 857     | 623     | 936     | 994     | 765      | 834     | 937     | 1,056   | 23                    | 13                    |
| American<br>Samoa                    |         |         |         |         | _        | 107     | 47      | 138     | _                     | 194                   |
| Arizona                              | 9,041   | 11,241  | 11,174  | 11,093  | 11,643   | 7,395   | 7,184   | 6,852   | -24                   | -5                    |
| Arkansas                             | 1,950   | 1,631   | 2,053   | 1,693   | 911      | 1,531   | 1,651   | 1,959   | 0                     | 19                    |
| California                           | 23,926  | 29,536  | 27,136  | 31,397  | 28,039   | 25,879  | 24,176  | 23,320  | -3                    | -4                    |
| Colorado                             | 5,647   | 4,476   | 5,591   | 3,131   | 3,525    | 3,358   | 2,513   | 5,570   | -1                    | 122                   |
| Connecticut                          | 3,465   | 3,488   | 3,526   | 3,503   | 3,744    | 3,700   | 4,020   | 2,976   | -14                   | -26                   |
| Delaware                             | 1,125   | 871     | 922     | 1,041   | 1,136    | 1,358   | 1,346   | 1,191   | 6                     | -12                   |
| District of<br>Columbia              | 1,271   | 1,250   | 1,200   | 1,070   | 1,380    | 859     | 1,072   | 1,021   | -20                   | -5                    |
| Federated<br>States of<br>Micronesia | _       | _       | _       | _       | 27       | _       | 2,123   | 454     | _                     | -79                   |
| Florida                              | 17,320  | 17,977  | 21,257  | 20,521  | 23,366   | 25,485  | 21,537  | 21,035  | 21                    | -2                    |
| Georgia                              | 7,760   | 8,055   | 9,759   | 10,217  | 10,619   | 11,287  | 11,866  | 11,895  | 53                    | 0                     |
| Guam                                 | 181     | 174     | 92      | 109     | 89       | 136     | 248     | 82      | -55                   | -67                   |
| Hawaii                               | 792     | 920     | 716     | 928     | 1,097    | 1,155   | 1,044   | 975     | 23                    | -7                    |
| Idaho                                | 1,216   | 1,829   | 1,850   | 1,875   | 1,820    | 1,513   | 1,709   | 2,009   | 65                    | 18                    |
| Illinois                             | 8,885   | 9,810   | 11,182  | 11,479  | 9,898    | 13,476  | 14,389  | 10,157  | 14                    | -29                   |
| Indiana                              | 6,389   | 6,629   | 5,687   | 6,027   | 6,067    | 5,548   | 5,017   | 4,865   | -24                   | -3                    |
| Iowa                                 | 4,113   | 3,886   | 4,090   | 4,168   | 3,684    | 3,680   | 3,328   | 3,237   | -21                   | -3                    |
| Kansas                               | 1,736   | 1,846   | 1,867   | 2,406   | 2,723    | 2,387   | 2,545   | 2,909   | 68                    | 14                    |
| Kentucky                             | 2,519   | 2,657   | 2,980   | 3,319   | 4,333    | 4,364   | 2,385   | 2,230   | -11                   | -6                    |
| Louisiana                            | 3,749   | 4,558   | 4,198   | 3,903   | 3,492    | 3,143   | 2,892   | 3,098   | -17                   | 7                     |
| Maine                                | 1,052   | 1,302   | 1,294   | 1,237   | 1,054    | 1,313   | 1,042   | 1,155   | 10                    | 11                    |
| Marshall<br>Islands                  | _       | _       | _       | _       | 0        | 0       | 0       | _       | _                     | _                     |
| Maryland                             | 4,602   | 4,030   | 4,377   | 3,084   | 4,380    | 4,350   | 4,370   | 4,003   | -13                   | -8                    |
| Massachusetts                        | 7,331   | 5,110   | 8,054   | 8,664   | 7,057    | 5,911   | 7,361   | 6,875   | -6                    | -7                    |
| Michigan                             | 6,141   | 8,653   | 7,641   | 8,451   | 8,515    | 8,675   | 8,041   | 7,233   | 18                    | -10                   |
| Minnesota                            | 10,433  | 10,322  | 11,348  | 8,758   | 7,911    | 8,001   | 4,650   | 5,078   | -51                   | 9                     |

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Table 8. Total number of teachers receiving initial certification or licensure, by state: AY 2000-01 through AY 2007-08 continued

| State                          |         |         |         | Acaden  | nic year |         |         |         | Percent change from   | Percent change from   |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| State                          | 2000–01 | 2001–02 | 2002–03 | 2003–04 | 2004–05  | 2005–06 | 2006–07 | 2007–08 | 2000-01 to<br>2007-08 | 2006-07 to<br>2007-08 |
| Mississippi                    | 2,140   | 2,186   | 1,189   | 1,112   | 1,051    | 2,373   | 2,094   | 2,805   | 31                    | 34                    |
| Missouri                       | 5,505   | 5,919   | 5,326   | 5,059   | 5,958    | 5,113   | 5,931   | 6,374   | 16                    | 7                     |
| Montana                        | 1,238   | 1,203   | 1,381   | 1,376   | 1,473    | 1,130   | 1,494   | 1,266   | 2                     | -15                   |
| Nebraska                       | 2,919   | 2,252   | 2,244   | 1,548   | 1,859    | 2,307   | 1,992   | 1,870   | -36                   | -6                    |
| Nevada                         | 2,019   | 2,723   | 2,664   | 2,122   | 2,380    | 2,996   | 5,923   | 4,909   | 143                   | -17                   |
| New<br>Hampshire               | 1,466   | 1,295   | 1,873   | 1,928   | 1,816    | 1,722   | 1,516   | 1,725   | 18                    | 14                    |
| New Jersey                     | 10,093  | 12,556  | 13,276  | 10,836  | 11,144   | 11,521  | 10,858  | 10,977  | 9                     | 1                     |
| New Mexico                     | 2,471   | 2,533   | 2,596   | 2,637   | 2,367    | 3,097   | 1,477   | 2,172   | -12                   | 47                    |
| New York                       | 25,901  | 28,193  | 32,128  | 28,386  | 15,480   | 29,723  | 35,195  | 30,122  | 16                    | -14                   |
| North Carolina                 | 9,333   | 9,452   | 9,679   | 12,356  | 13,621   | 13,047  | 12,908  | 12,277  | 32                    | -5                    |
| North Dakota                   | 645     | 506     | 506     | 630     | 697      | 693     | 489     | 539     | -16                   | 10                    |
| Northern<br>Mariana<br>Islands | _       | _       | _       |         | _        | 70      | 29      | 28      | _                     | -3                    |
| Ohio                           | 7,256   | 10,483  | 7,493   | 8,857   | 9,045    | 11,199  | 9,534   | 8,880   | 22                    | -7                    |
| Oklahoma                       | 2,942   | 1,765   | 2,091   | 6,069   | 6,846    | 5,154   | 5,435   | 4,596   | 56                    | -15                   |
| Oregon*                        | 1,724   | 2,611   | 3,388   | 2,352   | 2,253    | 3,990   | 3,800   | 2,743   | 59                    | -28                   |
| Palau                          |         | _       |         |         |          | _       | _       | _       | _                     | _                     |
| Pennsylvania                   | 11,311  | 12,376  | 12,608  | 12,036  | 12,260   | 15,959  | 14,318  | 14,192  | 25                    | -1                    |
| Puerto Rico                    | 3,136   | 3,447   | 3,017   | 3,538   | 3,740    | 4,296   | 4,020   | 2,943   | -6                    | -27                   |
| Rhode Island                   | 1,805   | 1,498   | 1,308   | 1,582   | 1,263    | 1,103   | 1,206   | 1,267   | -30                   | 5                     |
| South Carolina                 | 3,017   | 2,007   | 2,049   | 2,159   | 2,063    | 1,881   | 2,534   | 2,296   | -24                   | -9                    |
| South Dakota                   | 652     | 940     | 943     | 957     | 1,057    | 1,165   | 1,263   | 967     | 48                    | -23                   |
| Tennessee                      | 6,448   | 8,913   | 5,747   | 5,553   | 5,908    | 6,158   | 6,648   | 7,052   | 9                     | 6                     |
| Texas                          | 16,601  | 17,920  | 24,726  | 22,715  | 26,393   | 27,993  | 29,644  | 30,257  | 82                    | 2                     |
| Utah                           | 2,139   | 2,193   | 2,830   | 2,582   | 3,204    | 3,311   | 3,145   | 2,920   | 37                    | -7                    |
| Vermont                        | 746     | 702     | 702     | 720     | 1,069    | 970     | 984     | 867     | 16                    | -12                   |
| Virgin Islands                 | 90      | 39      | 60      | 24      | 18       | 20      | 70      | 73      | -19                   | 4                     |
| Virginia                       | 10,777  | 11,003  | 9,304   | 10,582  | 10,832   | 10,969  | 9,219   | 10,179  | -6                    | 10                    |
| Washington                     | 4,538   | 5,939   | 4,959   | 4,953   | 5,932    | 5,033   | 3,702   | 3,792   | -16                   | 2                     |
| West Virginia                  | 1,352   | 1,369   | 1,505   | 1,581   | 1,786    | 1,801   | 1,778   | 1,690   | 25                    | -5                    |
| Wisconsin                      | 4,445   | 4,617   | 4,699   | 5,080   | 3,975    | 3,886   | 4,092   | 4,055   | -9                    | -1                    |
| Wyoming                        | 573     | 652     | 569     | 740     | 638      | 657     | 751     | 795     | 39                    | 6                     |
| Total                          | 282,112 | 309,817 | 315,423 | 313,201 | 307,332  | 329,074 | 325,556 | 310,097 | 10                    | -5                    |

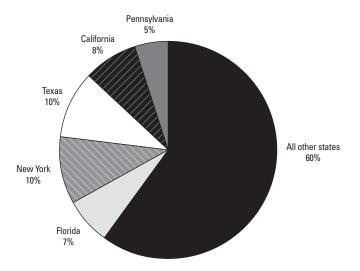
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<sup>\*</sup>Data for AY 2000-01 and AY 2001-02 are incomplete for out-of-state program completers.

- The five states issuing initial teaching licenses or certificates to the largest number of teachers in AY 2007–08 were (see figure 14):
  - o Texas (30,257)
  - o New York (30,122)
  - o California (23,320)
  - o Florida (21,035)
  - O Pennsylvania (14,192)

Figure 14. Top five states issuing teachers initial certification or licensure by percentage of teachers receiving initial teaching certificates or licenses: AY 2007–08

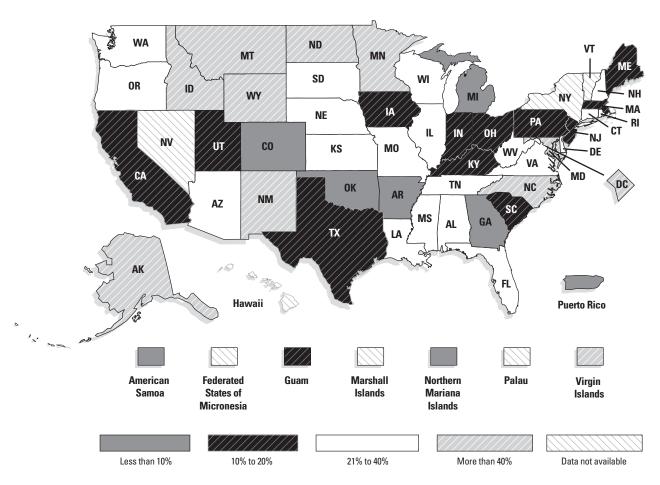


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### Initial Certificates or Licenses Issued to Teachers Trained in Another State

- In AY 2007–08, 21 percent of teachers receiving initial teaching licenses or certificates were trained in another state.
- In AY 2007–08, nine states, the District of Columbia and the Virgin Islands reported that more than 40 percent of teachers receiving initial teaching licenses or certificates completed out-of-state programs. Five states, American Samoa, the Northern Mariana Islands and Puerto Rico reported rates lower than 10 percent (see figure 15).

Figure 15. Percentage of teachers certified who were trained in another state, by state: AY 2007-08



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#### **Certification or Licensure Areas**

States reported on the areas of initial teacher certification or licensure for the first time in 2010 (see table 9).

Table 9. Most common initial teacher certification or licensure areas, by program type: AY 2008-09

| Progra                    | Program type              |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Traditional               | Alternative               |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Elementary education      | Elementary education      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Early childhood education | Special education         |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Special education         | Early childhood education |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| English language arts     | English language arts     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Social studies            | Science                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |

NOTE: The Department used the 2010 reporting year to pilot the new reporting procedures and instruments. That year, the Department directed states and teacher preparation programs to report as completely as was reasonably possible, while they used the pilot year to build capacity and develop processes for collecting full and accurate data in 2011. Consequently, new data elements that states reported in 2010 vary in comprehensiveness and limit the Department's ability to fully interpret the data.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Office of Postsecondary Education. (2011). Higher Education Act Title II Reporting System.

# **Certification or Licensure Degree Requirements**

- In 2010, five states and the Northern Mariana Islands reported requiring a subject area or academic content area bachelor's degree for all of their initial certificates or licenses regardless of level. In 2009, there were seven states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands and, in 2008, six states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands with this requirement.
- In 2009, 10 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands required content-specific degrees for at least one initial certificate issued at the elementary level, and 28 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands required these degrees for at least one initial secondary-level certificate.
- In 2008, nine states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands required content-specific degrees for at least one initial certificate issued at the elementary level, and 28 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands required these degrees for at least one initial secondary-level certificate.
- In 2010, 12 states and the Northern Mariana Islands reported requiring a subject area or academic content area bachelor's degree for at least one initial certificate or license issued at the elementary level (see figure 16).

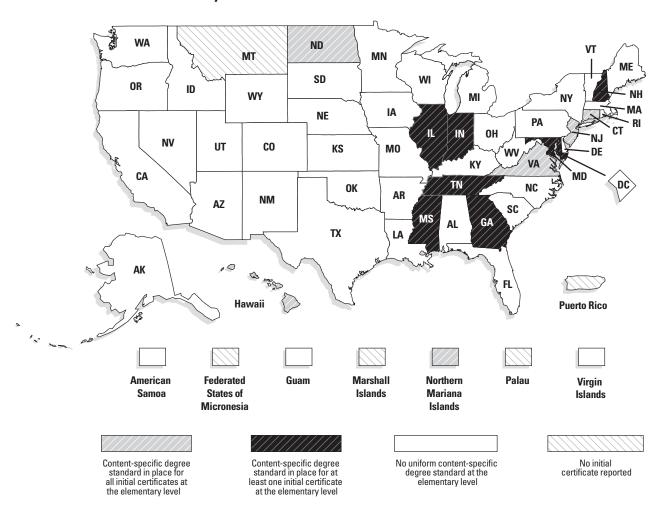
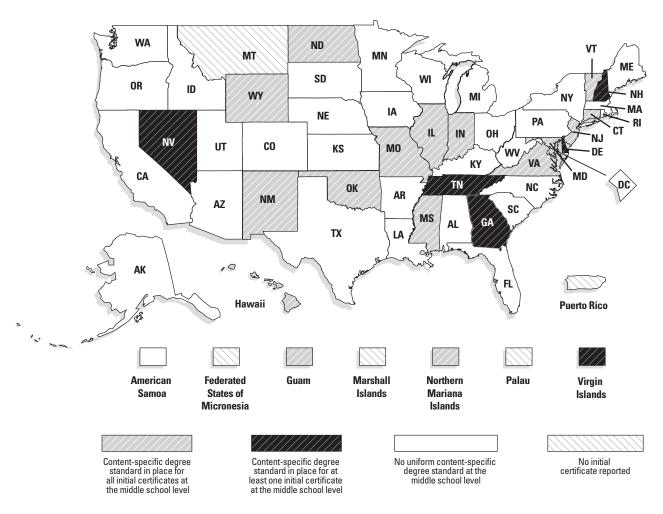


Figure 16. States requiring content-specific bachelor's degrees for initial certification at the elementary level: 2010

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■ In 2010, 19 states, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands required a subject area or academic content area bachelor's degree for at least one initial certificate or license issued at the middle school level (see figure 17).

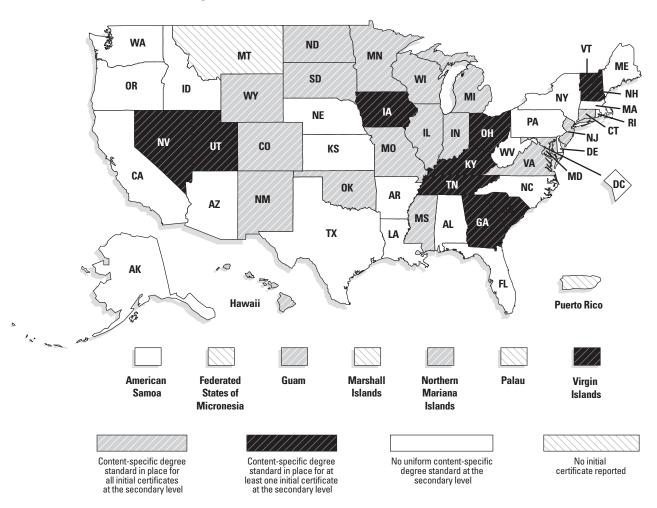
Figure 17. States requiring content-specific bachelor's degrees for initial certification at the middle school level: 2010



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 In 2010, 28 states, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands required a subject area or academic content area bachelor's degree for at least one initial certificate or license issued at the secondary level (see figure 18).

Figure 18. States requiring content-specific bachelor's degrees for initial certification at the secondary level: 2010



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### **Emergency Licenses**

- Due to changes in the data collection, data collected on emergency licenses in 2010 are not comparable to data collected in previous years. Beginning in 2010, the amount of information collected about emergency licenses increased compared to previous years. In addition, some states reported each emergency license available in each subject area or grade level as a separate license, increasing what was previously reported as one emergency license to multiple licenses.
- In 2010, states reported having 275 different emergency licenses with an average permitted duration of 2.2 years (see table 10).

Table 10. Number and characteristics of states' emergency licenses: 2002 through 2010

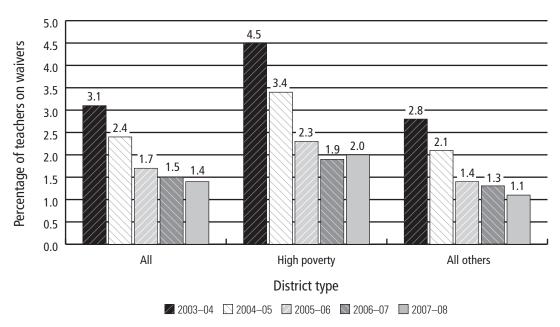
|                                      |                | Year           |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--|--|
|                                      | 2002<br>(N=54) | 2003<br>(N=54) | 2004<br>(N=54) | 2005<br>(N=54) | 2006<br>(N=59) | 2007<br>(N=59) | 2008<br>(N=59) | 2009<br>(N=59) | 2010<br>(N=59) |  |  |
| Number of emergency licenses         | 124.0          | 127.0          | 122.0          | 121.0          | 132.0          | 128.0          | 126.0          | 124.0          | 275.0          |  |  |
| Average duration (in years)          | 1.4            | 1.4            | 1.4            | 1.4            | 1.5            | 1.5            | 1.5            | 1.4            | 2.2            |  |  |
| Average number of times renewable    | 1.5            | 1.3            | 1.3            | 1.2            | 1.1            | 1.2            | 1.1            | 1.1            | 1.0            |  |  |
| Number of unlimited renewal licenses | 22.0           | 15.0           | 15.0           | 12.0           | 9.0            | 10.0           | 10.0           | 10.0           | 72.0           |  |  |
| Number of nonrenewable licenses      | 36.0           | 51.0           | 49.0           | 51.0           | 59.0           | 50.0           | 49.0           | 48.0           | 114.0          |  |  |

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#### **Waivers of State Certification or Licensure**

- Due to changes in the statute, the final year that data on the number of teachers on waivers of state certification or licensure were reported was 2008. As a result of definitional changes, waiver data collected prior to 2004 cannot be compared to waiver data collected from 2004 through 2008. 12
- The proportion of teachers working with waivers of full certification continued to decrease, going from 1.5 percent in AY 2006-07 to 1.4 percent in AY 2007-08. However, the percentage of teachers with a waiver in high-poverty school districts<sup>13</sup> (2.0%) continued to exceed, by almost double, the percentage for all other districts (1.1%) (see figure 19).

Figure 19. Percentage of teachers on waivers by poverty status of district: AY 2003-04 through AY 2007-08



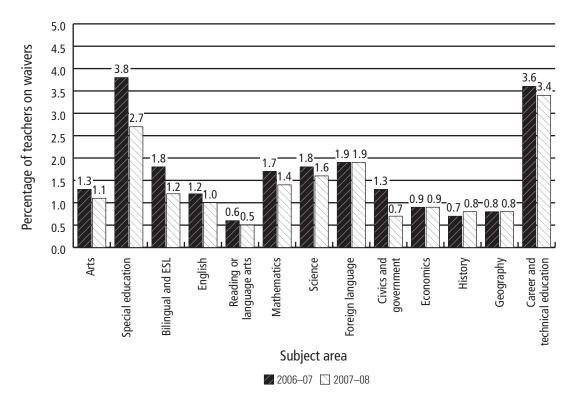
NOTE: The 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands submitted a state Title II report in 2010. Federated States of Micronesia did not submit a state Title II report in 2007. See footnote 13 for the definition of "high-poverty districts." Data presented in this report for previous years may not be consistent with data published in earlier reports because states are able to revise their data.

<sup>12</sup> The changes to the definition aligned HEA Title II definition with the state certification and licensure requirements for highly qualified teachers in ESEA. Further, the new definition better reflected state certification and licensure policies across the nation. The collection of the waiver data changed from a snapshot to a full-year head count of teachers on waivers. Also, the subject areas for which waiver data were reported were refined. Teachers participating in an alternative route who met the criteria for being highly qualified under ESEA, but who may not have held a teaching license or certificate, began to be excluded from the count of teachers on waivers.

<sup>13</sup> High-poverty districts are determined using the quartile of the highest percentage of children living in poverty based on estimates generated by the Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE) program. The estimates provided are only for local education agencies (LEAs) or school districts identified in the U.S. Census Bureau's school district mapping project. For more information about the SAIPE data, visit http://www. census.gov/hhes/www/saipe. For charter schools, states would need to include data for teachers if (1) the charter schools are considered to be LEAs and (2) the state requires teachers in those schools to meet the same requirements for initial certification as any other public school teacher. High-poverty school districts are contrasted with all other districts in the state.

■ From AY 2006–07 to AY 2007–08, states reported a decrease in the percentage of teachers on waivers by subject area for most areas, with three subjects (foreign language, economics and geography) remaining the same and one subject (history) seeing an increase (see figure 20).

Figure 20. Percentage of teachers on waivers by subject area: AY 2006–07 through AY 2007–08



**NOTE**: The 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands submitted a state Title II report in 2010. Federated States of Micronesia did not submit a state Title II report in 2007. ESL is English as a Second Language. Data presented in this report for previous years may not be consistent with data published in earlier reports because states are able to revise their data.

# **CHAPTER V** ASSESSMENTS REQUIRED FOR TEACHER CERTIFICATION OR LICENSURE

While states have provided data on state assessments for initial teacher certification or licensure in previous years, the Department revised the reporting requirements. The Department no longer requires states to classify assessments by aggregate area (e.g., basic skills, academic content), and rankings on the institutional summary pass rates are no longer required. Beginning in 2011, the Department will have states report pass rates for enrolled students and the average scaled score on assessments. As required by the reauthorized HEA, states must now report on the reliability and validity of the certification or licensure assessments.

# State Assessment Requirements

- In AY 2008–09, 48 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands assessed initial teacher candidates through state testing (see figure 21).
- Not all states required assessments for initial certification or licensure. Iowa, Montana, American Samoa, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands and Palau have either announced plans to use assessments or were deciding on the minimum passing score. As of AY 2008–09, Iowa, Montana, American Samoa, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands and Palau did not require testing for initial teacher certification or licensure.

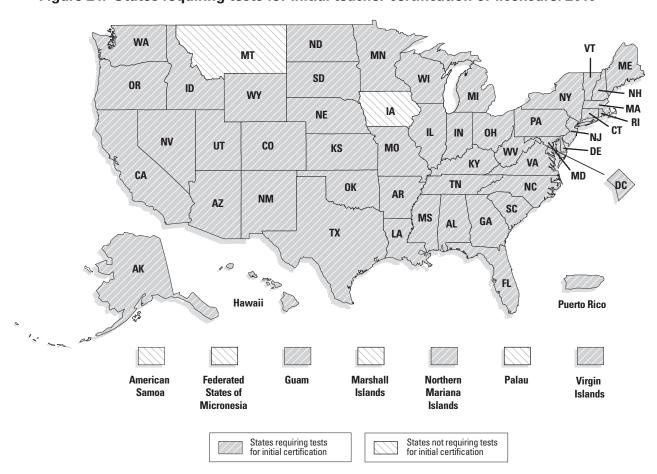


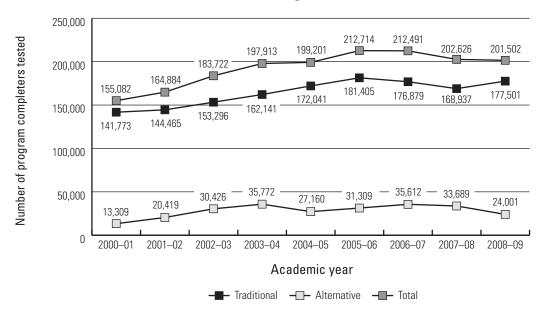
Figure 21. States requiring tests for initial teacher certification or licensure: 2010

NOTE: For purposes of this figure, the term "state" refers to any of the states of the United States, as well as the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, Guam, American Samoa, the United States Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and the Freely Associated States (the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of Palau). Federated States of Micronesia did not submit a state Title II report in 2010. Republic of the Marshall Islands did not submit a state Title II report in 2010. The Department used the 2010 reporting year to pilot the new reporting procedures and instruments. That year, the Department directed states and teacher preparation programs to report as completely as was reasonably possible, while they used the pilot year to build capacity and develop processes for collecting full and accurate data in 2011. Consequently, data elements that states reported in 2010 vary in comprehensiveness and limit the Department's ability to fully interpret the data. SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Office of Postsecondary Education. (2011). Higher Education Act Title II Reporting System.

### **Test Takers**

- Among the AY 2008–09 program completers, there were a total of 201,502 test takers. There were 202,626 test takers in AY 2007–08 and 212,491 in AY 2006–07 (see figure 22).
- In AY 2008–09, 88 percent of the test takers were from traditional teacher preparation programs; 12 percent were from alternative teacher preparation programs.

Figure 22. Trend in total number of program completers tested, by traditional and alternative routes: AY 2000–01 through AY 2008–09



**NOTE:** The 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands submitted a state Title II report in 2010. Federated States of Micronesia did not submit a state Title II report in 2007 or 2010. Republic of the Marshall Islands did not submit a state Title II report in 2009 or 2010. Data presented in this report for previous years may not be consistent with data published in earlier reports because states are able to revise their data. The Department used the 2010 reporting year to pilot the new reporting procedures and instruments. That year, the Department directed states and teacher preparation programs to report as completely as was reasonably possible, while they used the pilot year to build capacity and develop processes for collecting full and accurate data in 2011. Consequently, data elements that states reported in 2010 vary in comprehensiveness and limit the Department's ability to fully interpret the data. The number of alternative route test takers in AY 2008–09 is the sum of the alternative, IHE-based test takers and alternative, not IHE-based test takers.

# **State Summary Pass Rates**

- In order to determine whether program completers have passed an assessment for the purposes of meeting initial teacher certification or licensure requirements, each state sets the minimum passing score, or cut score, on each assessment. Depending on the score a state established as needed to pass, receiving a passing score on the assessment may not mean the same thing as having a significant degree of content knowledge. The summary pass rate is the percentage of students who passed all tests they took for their area of specialization among those who took one or more tests in their specialization areas.
- In AY 2008–09, pass rates on state teacher assessments remained high. Nationally, 97 percent of AY 2008–09 program completers passed their certification or licensure assessments.
- The pass rate for traditional program completers was 96 percent, and, for alternative route completers, it was 97 percent (see table 11 and table 12).

Table 11. Summary pass rates for traditional route program completers: AY 2000-01 through AY 2008-09

| Acadomiawaan  | Summary                |               |                |               |  |  |  |  |
|---------------|------------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|--|--|--|--|
| Academic year | Number of institutions | Number tested | Number passing | Pass rate (%) |  |  |  |  |
| 2000-01       | 1,108                  | 141,773       | 132,297        | 93            |  |  |  |  |
| 2001–02       | 1,094                  | 144,465       | 135,902        | 94            |  |  |  |  |
| 2002–03       | 1,102                  | 153,296       | 145,824        | 95            |  |  |  |  |
| 2003-04       | 1,115                  | 162,141       | 154,940        | 96            |  |  |  |  |
| 2004–05       | 1,170                  | 172,041       | 165,562        | 96            |  |  |  |  |
| 2005-06       | 1,242                  | 181,405       | 175,003        | 96            |  |  |  |  |
| 2006–07       | 1,240                  | 176,879       | 170,280        | 96            |  |  |  |  |
| 2007–08       | 1,242                  | 168,937       | 162,897        | 96            |  |  |  |  |
| 2008-09       | 1,240                  | 177,501       | 171,246        | 96            |  |  |  |  |

NOTE: The summary pass rate is the percentage of students who passed all tests they took for their area of specialization among those who took one or more tests in their specialization areas. The 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands submitted a state Title II report in 2010. Federated States of Micronesia did not submit a state Title II report in 2007 or 2010. Republic of the Marshall Islands did not submit a state Title II report in 2009 or 2010. Data presented in this report for previous years may not be consistent with data published in earlier reports because states are able to revise their data. The Department used the 2010 reporting year to pilot the new reporting procedures and instruments. That year, the Department directed states and teacher preparation programs to report as completely as was reasonably possible, while they used the pilot year to build capacity and develop processes for collecting full and accurate data in 2011. Consequently, data elements that states reported in 2010 vary in comprehensiveness and limit the Department's ability to fully interpret the data. The number of institutions includes the number of institutions with at least 10 test takers. Summary pass rates were calculated for states that did not provide summary pass rate data based on the institutional pass rate data available.

Table 12. Summary pass rates for alternative route program completers: AY 2000-01 through AY 2008-09

| A d :         | Summary            |               |                |               |  |  |  |  |
|---------------|--------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|--|--|--|--|
| Academic year | Number of programs | Number tested | Number passing | Pass rate (%) |  |  |  |  |
| 2000-01       | 70                 | 13,309        | 12,507         | 94            |  |  |  |  |
| 2001–02       | 129                | 20,419        | 19,403         | 95            |  |  |  |  |
| 2002–03       | 158                | 30,426        | 29,039         | 95            |  |  |  |  |
| 2003-04       | 160                | 35,772        | 34,212         | 96            |  |  |  |  |
| 2004–05       | 179                | 27,160        | 25,655         | 94            |  |  |  |  |
| 2005-06       | 214                | 31,309        | 29,747         | 95            |  |  |  |  |
| 2006–07       | 207                | 35,612        | 34,037         | 96            |  |  |  |  |
| 2007–08       | 225                | 33,689        | 32,509         | 96            |  |  |  |  |
| 2008-09       | 249                | 24,001        | 23,324         | 97            |  |  |  |  |

NOTE: The summary pass rate is the percentage of students who passed all tests they took for their area of specialization among those who took one or more tests in their specialization areas. The 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Virgin Islands submitted a state Title II report in 2010. Federated States of Micronesia did not submit a state Title II report in 2007 or 2010. Republic of the Marshall Islands did not submit a state Title II report in 2009 or 2010. Data presented in this report for previous years may not be consistent with data published in earlier reports because states are able to revise their data. The Department used the 2010 reporting year to pilot the new reporting procedures and instruments. That year, the Department directed states and teacher preparation programs to report as completely as was reasonably possible, while they used the pilot year to build capacity and develop processes for collecting full and accurate data in 2011. Consequently, data elements that states reported in 2010 vary in comprehensiveness and limit the Department's ability to fully interpret the data. The number of programs includes the number of programs with at least 10 test takers. Summary pass rates were calculated for states that did not provide summary pass rate data based on the program pass rate data available. The pass rate data for alternative routes in AY 2008-09 include the alternative, IHE-based data and alternative, not IHE-based data.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Office of Postsecondary Education. (2011). Higher Education Act Title II Reporting System.

### **State Minimum Passing Scores**

- Each state sets the minimum passing score, or cut score, on assessments required for initial teacher certification or licensure. Thus, the cut score can vary for an assessment used in multiple states. Also, depending on the score a state established as needed to pass, receiving a passing score on the assessment may not mean the same thing as having a significant degree of content knowledge.
- Most states use the assessments developed by the Educational Testing Service (ETS), called the Praxis Series. Other states work with Pearson to develop assessments aligned to state standards, so assessments offered in different states vary.<sup>14</sup> Some states use a combination of ETS and Pearson assessments, or assessments from other organizations, such as Language Testing International, the College Board or the American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence (ABCTE).
- Assessments that many states use include ETS' Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment (0011), Elementary Education: Content Knowledge (0014), English Language, Literature, and Composition: Content Knowledge (0041) and Mathematics: Content Knowledge (0061). The cut score on ETS' Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment (0011) test varies from 155 in West Virginia to 168 in Pennsylvania (see table 13a). The cut score ranges from 116 in Arkansas to 147 in Virginia on the Mathematics: Content Knowledge (0061) assessment (see table 13d).

<sup>14</sup> For information on the cut scores states set on Pearson assessments, see the individual state reports available at https://title2.ed.gov and http:// www2.ed.gov/about/reports/annual/teachprep/index.html.

Table 13a. State passing scores for selected Praxis II assessments: AY 2001-02 through AY 2008-09

| Eleme                                       | ntary Educa | ation: Curric | ulum, Instru | iction, and A | Assessment | (0011)  |         |         |
|---|-------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|------------|---------|---------|---------|
| State                                       | 2001–02     | 2002–03       | 2003–04      | 2004–05       | 2005–06    | 2006–07 | 2007–08 | 2008–09 |
| Connecticut                                 | 163         | 163           | 163          | 163           | 163        | 163     | 163     | 163     |
| Delaware                                    | _           | -             | -            | -             | 158        | 158     | 158     | _       |
| District of Columbia                        | 146         | 146           | 146          | 146           | 146        | _       | _       | _       |
| Hawaii                                      | 164         | 164           | 164          | 164           | 164        | 164     | 164     | 164     |
| Indiana                                     | 143         | 143           | 165          | 165           | 165        | 165     | 165     | 165     |
| Kansas                                      | -           | -             | -            | 163           | 163        | 163     | 163     | 163     |
| Kentucky                                    | 163         | 163           | 163          | 163           | 163        | 163     | 163     | _       |
| Louisiana                                   | 156         | 156           | 156          | 156           | 156        | 156     | _       | _       |
| Mississippi                                 | _           | -             | -            | -             | -          | 158     | 158     | 158     |
| Missouri                                    | 164         | 164           | 164          | 164           | 164        | 164     | 164     | 164     |
| Nevada                                      | 158         | 158           | 158          | 158           | 158        | 158     | 158     | 158     |
| North Carolina <sup>a</sup>                 | _           | _             | _            | _             | _          | _       | _       | _       |
| North Dakota                                | _           | _             | _            | _             | _          | _       | _       | 158     |
| Ohio  | 162         | 162           | 162          | -             | -          | -       |         | _       |
| Pennsylvania                                | 168         | 168           | 168          | 168           | 168        | 168     | 168     | 168     |
| South Carolina                              | 164         | 164           | 164          | 164           | 164        | 164     | 164     | 164     |
| Tennessee                                   | 159         | 159           | 159          | 159           | 159        | 159     | 159     | 159     |
| West Virginia                               | 155         | 155           | 155          | 155           | 155        | 155     | 155     | 155     |
| Wyoming                                     | _           | _             | _            | _             | 160        | 160     | 160     | 160     |
| Median for Title II Completers <sup>b</sup> | 180         | 179           | 181          | 179           | 180        | 180     | 179     | 178     |
| National Median                             | 179         | 178           | 177          | 177           | 177        | 177     | 177     | 177     |
| Average Performance Range                   | 169–188     | 168–187       | 168–186      | 167–186       | 168–186    | 169–186 | 168–186 | 168–185 |

■ Generally, the cut scores set by states are at or below the national median score established for a test (see table 13b).

Table 13b. State passing scores for selected Praxis II assessments: AY 2001-02 through AY 2008-09

| Elementary Education: Content Knowledge (0014) |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| State  | 2001–02 | 2002–03 | 2003–04 | 2004–05 | 2005–06 | 2006–07 | 2007–08 | 2008–09 |
| Alabama  | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | 137     | 137     |
| Delaware                                       | _       | -       | _       | _       | 151     | 151     | 151     | 151     |
| District of Columbia                           | _       | -       | 145     | 145     | 145     | 145     | 145     | 145     |
| Idaho  | _       | _       | _       | 143     | 143     | 143     | 143     | 143     |
| Kentucky                                       | _       | _       | _       | 148     | 148     | 148     | 148     | 148     |
| Louisiana                                      | 147     | 147     | 147     | 150     | 150     | 150     | 150     | 150     |
| Maine  | _       | _       | _       | _       | 145     | 145     | 145     | 145     |
| Maryland                                       | 142     | 142     | 142     | 142     | 142     | 142     | 142     | 142     |
| Minnesota                                      |         | 140     | 140     | 145     | 145     | 145     | 145     | 145     |
| Mississippi                                    | 153     | 153     | 153     | 153     | _       | 153     | 153     | 153     |
| New Hampshire                                  | _       | _       | _       | _       | _       | _       | 148     | 148     |
| New Jersey                                     | 133     | 133     | 141     | 141     | 141     | 141     | 141     | 141     |
| Northern Mariana Islands                       | _       | _       | _       | _       | _       | _       | _       | 146     |
| Rhode Island                                   | _       | _       | 145     | 145     | 145     | 145     | 145     | 145     |
| South Dakota                                   | _       | _       | _       | _       | 137     | 137     | 140     | 140     |
| Tennessee                                      | _       | _       | 140     | 140     | 140     | 140     | 140     | 140     |
| Utah   | _       | _       | _       | _       | 150     | 150     | 150     | 150     |
| Vermont  | 148     | 148     | 148     | 148     | 148     | 148     | 148     | 148     |
| Virginia                                       | _       | 143     | 143     | 143     | 143     | 143     | 143     | 143     |
| Washington                                     | _       | _       | _       | _       | 141     | 141     | 141     | 170     |
| Wisconsin                                      | _       | _       | _       | 147     | 147     | 147     | 147     | 147     |
| Median for Title II Completers <sup>b</sup>    | 165     | 166     | 165     | 165     | 166     | 165     | 165     | 165     |
| National Median                                | 159     | 162     | 163     | 163     | 163     | 163     | 163     | 164     |
| Average Performance Range                      | 145–174 | 149–175 | 149–175 | 150–175 | 150–175 | 151–175 | 151–176 | 151–176 |

■ There is very little change in states' cut scores from year to year (see table 13c).

Table 13c. State passing scores for selected Praxis II assessments: AY 2001-02 through AY 2008-09

| English Language, Literature, and Composition: Content Knowledge (0041) |         |         |         |         |         |         |         | ,       |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| State   | 2001–02 | 2002–03 | 2003-04 | 2004–05 | 2005–06 | 2006–07 | 2007–08 | 2008–09 |
| Alabama   | _       | -       | -       | -       | -       | 151     | 151     | 151     |
| Alaska  | _       | _       | 158     | _       | 158     | 158     | 158     | _       |
| Arkansas  | 159     | 159     | 159     | 159     | 159     | 159     | 159     | 159     |
| Connecticut   | 172     | 172     | 172     | 172     | 172     | 172     | 172     | 172     |
| Delaware  | _       | _       | _       | _       | 159     | 163     | 163     | 163     |
| District of Columbia  | 150     | 150     | 150     | 142     | 150     | 142     | 142     | 142     |
| Hawaii  | 164     | 164     | 164     | 164     | 164     | 164     | 164     | 164     |
| Idaho   | _       | _       | _       | 158     | 158     | 158     | 158     | 158     |
| Indiana   | 153     | 153     | 153     | 153     | 153     | 153     | 153     | 153     |
| Kansas  | _       | -       | _       | 165     | 165     | 165     | 165     | 165     |
| Kentucky  | 155     | 155     | 160     | 160     | 160     | 160     | 160     | 160     |
| Louisiana   | 160     | 160     | 160     | 160     | 160     | 160     | 160     | 160     |
| Maine   | _       | _       | _       | _       | 160     | 160     | 160     | 160     |
| Maryland  | 164     | 164     | 164     | 164     | 164     | 164     | 164     | 164     |
| Minnesota   | _       | 148     | 148     | 157     | 157     | 157     | 157     | 157     |
| Mississippi   | 157     | 157     | 157     | 157     | 157     | 157     | 157     | 157     |
| Missouri  | 158     | 158     | 158     | 158     | 158     | 158     | 158     | 158     |
| Nevada  | 150     | 150     | 150     | 150     | 150     | 150     | 150     | 150     |
| New Hampshire   | 164     | 164     | 164     | 164     | 164     | 164     | 164     | 164     |
| New Jersey  | 155     | 155     | 162     | 162     | 162     | 162     | 162     | 162     |
| North Dakota  | _       | -       | _       | -       | -       | -       | _       | 151     |
| Northern Mariana Islands  | _       | _       | _       | _       | _       | -       | _       | 164     |
| Ohio  | 167     | 167     | 167     | 167     | 167     | 167     | 167     | 167     |
| Pennsylvania  | 160     | 160     | 160     | 160     | 160     | 160     | 160     | 160     |
| South Carolina  | 162     | 162     | 162     | 162     | 162     | 162     | 162     | 162     |
| South Dakota  | _       | _       | _       | _       | 154     | 154     | 154     | 154     |
| Tennessee   | 157     | 157     | 157     | 157     | 157     | 157     | 157     | 157     |
| Utah  | _       | _       | _       | _       | _       | 168     | 168     | 168     |
| Vermont   | 172     | 172     | 172     | 172     | 172     | 172     | 172     | 172     |
| Virginia  | 172     | 172     | 172     | 172     | 172     | 172     | 172     | 172     |
| Washington  | _       | _       | _       | _       | 158     | 158     | 158     | 158     |
| West Virginia   | 155     | 155     | 155     | 155     | 155     | 155     | 155     | 155     |
| Wisconsin   | _       | _       | _       | 160     | 160     | 160     | 160     | 160     |
| Median for Title II Completers <sup>b</sup>                             | 178     | 178     | 179     | 179     | 179     | 178     | 179     | 179     |
| National Median   | 176     | 177     | 177     | 178     | 177     | 177     | 177     | 177     |
| Average Performance Range   | 164–187 | 166–188 | 166–188 | 166–188 | 166–188 | 166–187 | 166–187 | 165–187 |

Table 13d. State passing scores for selected Praxis II assessments: AY 2001-02 through AY 2008-09

| Mathematics: Content Knowledge (0061)       |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| State                                       | 2001–02 | 2002-03 | 2003-04 | 2004-05 | 2005-06 | 2006-07 | 2007-08 | 2008-09 |
| Alabama                                     | _       | -       | _       | -       | _       | 126     | 126     | 126     |
| Alaska                                      | _       | _       | 146     | _       | _       | 146     | 146     | _       |
| Arkansas                                    | 116     | 116     | 116     | 116     | 116     | 116     | 116     | 116     |
| Connecticut                                 | 141     | 137     | 137     | 137     | 137     | 137     | 137     | 137     |
| Delaware                                    | _       | _       | _       | _       | 121     | 141     | 141     | 141     |
| District of Columbia                        | 141     | 141     | 141     | 141     | 141     | 141     | 141     | 141     |
| Hawaii                                      | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     |
| Idaho                                       | _       | _       | _       | 119     | 119     | 119     | 119     | 129     |
| Indiana                                     | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     |
| Kansas                                      | _       | _       | _       | 137     | 137     | 137     | 137     | 137     |
| Kentucky                                    | 125     | 125     | 125     | 125     | 125     | 125     | 125     | 125     |
| Louisiana                                   | _       | _       | 125     | 125     | 130     | 130     | 130     | 130     |
| Maine                                       | _       | _       | _       | _       | 126     | 126     | 126     | 126     |
| Maryland                                    | 141     | 141     | 141     | 141     | 141     | 141     | 141     | 141     |
| Minnesota                                   | _       | 124     | 124     | 125     | 125     | 125     | 125     | 125     |
| Mississippi                                 | 123     | 123     | 123     | 123     | 123     | 123     | 123     | 123     |
| Missouri                                    | 137     | 137     | 137     | 137     | 137     | 137     | 137     | 137     |
| Nevada                                      | 144     | 144     | 144     | 144     | 133     | 133     | 133     | 133     |
| New Hampshire                               | 127     | 127     | 127     | 127     | 127     | 140     | 140     | 140     |
| New Jersey                                  | 130     | 130     | 137     | 137     | 137     | 137     | 137     | 137     |
| North Dakota                                | _       | _       | _       | _       | _       | _       | _       | 139     |
| Ohio  | 139     | 139     | 139     | 139     | 139     | 139     | 139     | 139     |
| Pennsylvania                                | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     |
| South Carolina                              | 131     | 131     | 131     | 131     | 131     | 131     | 131     | 131     |
| South Dakota                                | _       | _       | _       | _       | 124     | 124     | 124     | 124     |
| Tennessee                                   | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     | 136     |
| Utah  | _       | _       | _       | _       | 138     | 138     | 138     | 138     |
| Vermont                                     | 141     | 141     | 141     | 141     | 141     | 141     | 141     | 141     |
| Virginia                                    | 147     | 147     | 147     | 147     | 147     | 147     | 147     | 147     |
| Washington                                  | _       | _       | _       | _       | 134     | 134     | 134     | 134     |
| West Virginia                               | 133     | 133     | 133     | 133     | 133     | 133     | 133     | 133     |
| Wisconsin                                   | _       | -       | -       | 135     | 135     | 135     | 135     | 135     |
| West Virginia                               | 155     | 155     | 155     | 155     | 155     | 155     | 155     | 155     |
| Wisconsin                                   | _       | _       | _       | 160     | 160     | 160     | 160     | 160     |
| Median for Title II Completers <sup>b</sup> | 149     | 150     | 151     | 148     | 151     | 152     | 153     | 153     |
| National Median                             | 143     | 143     | 143     | 143     | 143     | 143     | 144     | 144     |
| Average Performance Range                   | 128–157 | 128–157 | 128-156 | 127-156 | 127-156 | 128–157 | 128-158 | 128–159 |

<sup>-</sup>Data not available.

NOTE: For purposes of this figure, the term "state" refers to any of the states of the United States, as well as the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, Guam, American Samoa, the United States Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and the Freely Associated States (the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of Palau). States shown reported pass rates and cut scores for the assessments shown. The possible score range for these assessments is 100-200. Average performance range indicates the 25th and 75th percentiles of test score distribution. Federated States of Micronesia did not submit a state Title II report in 2007 or 2010. Republic of the Marshall Islands did not submit a state Title II report in 2009 or 2010. Data presented in this report for previous years may not be consistent with data published in earlier reports because states are able to revise their data. The Department used the 2010 reporting year to pilot the new reporting procedures and instruments. That year, the Department directed states and teacher preparation programs to report as completely as was reasonably possible, while they used the pilot year to build capacity and develop processes for collecting full and accurate data in 2011. Consequently, data elements that states reported in 2010 vary in comprehensiveness and limit the Department's ability to fully interpret the data.

a In North Carolina, while this assessment is required for elementary education certification, the state counts a combined score of the Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment and Elementary Education: Content Area Exercises for its elementary education license. The individual assessment cut score is not applicable.

b Includes data only for those state where ETS calculates the pass rates for states: Ala., Alaska, Ark., Conn., D.C., Del., Hawaii, Idaho, Ind., Kan., Ky., La., Maine, Md., Minn., Miss., Neb. (AY 2008–09), N.H., N.J., Nev., Ohio, Pa., R.I., S.C., S.Dak., Tenn. (AY 2008–09), Utah, Vt. (AY 2008–09), V.I., Wash. (prior to AY 2008–09), W.Va. (AY 2008–09), Wis., Wyo.

### APPENDIX I

# Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA), Sections 205-208

# SEC. 205. ACCOUNTABILITY FOR PROGRAMS THAT PREPARE TEACHERS.

- (a) INSTITUTIONAL AND PROGRAM REPORT CARDS ON THE QUALITY OF TEACHER PREPARATION.—
  - (1) REPORT CARD.—Each institution of higher education that conducts a traditional teacher preparation program or alternative routes to State certification or licensure program and that enrolls students receiving Federal assistance under this Act shall report annually to the State and the general public, in a uniform and comprehensible manner that conforms with the definitions and methods established by the Secretary, the following:

#### (A) GOALS AND ASSURANCES.—

- (i) For the most recent year for which the information is available for the institution—
  - (I) whether the goals set under section 206 have been met; and
  - (II) a description of the activities the institution implemented to achieve such goals.
- (ii) A description of the steps the institution is taking to improve its performance in meeting the annual goals set under section 206.
- (iii) A description of the activities the institution has implemented to meet the assurances provided under section 206.
- (B) PASS RATES AND SCALED SCORES.—For the most recent year for

which the information is available for those students who took the assessments used for teacher certification or licensure by the State in which the program is located and are enrolled in the traditional teacher preparation program or alternative routes to State certification or licensure program, and for those who have taken such assessments and have completed the traditional teacher preparation program or alternative routes to State certification or licensure program during the two-year period preceding such year, for each of such assessments—

- (i) the percentage of students who have completed 100 percent of the nonclinical coursework and taken the assessment who pass such assessment;
- (ii) the percentage of all students who passed such assessment;
- (iii) the percentage of students who have taken such assessment who enrolled in and completed the traditional teacher preparation program or alternative routes to State certification or licensure program, as applicable;
- (iv) the average scaled score for all students who took such assessment;
- (v) a comparison of the program's pass rates with the average pass rates for programs in the State; and
- (vi) a comparison of the program's average scaled scores with the average scaled scores for programs in the State.

# (C) PROGRAM INFORMATION.— A description of—

(i) the criteria for admission into the program;

- (ii) the number of students in the program (disaggregated by race, ethnicity, and gender);
- (iii) the average number of hours of supervised clinical experience required for those in the program;
- (iv) the number of full-time equivalent faculty and students in the supervised clinical experience; and
- (v) the total number of students who have been certified or licensed as teachers, disaggregated by subject and area of certification or licensure.
- (D) STATEMENT.—In States that require approval or accreditation of teacher preparation programs, a statement of whether the institution's program is so approved or accredited, and by whom.
- (E) DESIGNATION AS LOW-PERFORMING.—Whether the program has been designated as low-performing by the State under section 207(a).
- (F) USE OF TECHNOLOGY.—A description of the activities, including activities consistent with the principles of universal design for learning, that prepare teachers to integrate technology effectively into curricula and instruction, and to use technology effectively to collect, manage, and analyze data in order to improve teaching and learning for the purpose of increasing student academic achievement.
- (G) TEACHER TRAINING.—A description of the activities that prepare general education and special education teachers to teach students with disabilities effectively, including training related to participation as a member of individualized education program teams,

- as defined in section 614(d)(1)(B) of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, and to effectively teach students who are limited English proficient.
- (2) REPORT.—Each eligible partnership receiving a grant under section 202 shall report annually on the progress of the eligible partnership toward meeting the purposes of this part and the objectives and measures described in section 204(a).
- (3) FINES.—The Secretary may impose a fine not to exceed \$27,500 on an institution of higher education for failure to provide the information described in this subsection in a timely or accurate manner.
- (4) SPECIAL RULE.—In the case of an institution of higher education that conducts a traditional teacher preparation program or alternative routes to State certification or licensure program and has fewer than 10 scores reported on any single initial teacher certification or licensure assessment during an academic year, the institution shall collect and publish information, as required under paragraph (1)(B), with respect to an average pass rate and scaled score on each State certification or licensure assessment taken over a three-year period.

# (b) STATE REPORT CARD ON THE QUALITY OF TEACHER PREPARATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Each State that receives funds under this Act shall provide to the Secretary, and make widely available to the general public, in a uniform and comprehensible manner that conforms with the definitions and methods established by the Secretary, an annual State report card on the quality of teacher preparation in the State, both for traditional teacher preparation programs and for alternative routes to State certification or licensure programs, which shall include not less than the following:

- (A) A description of the reliability and validity of the teacher certification and licensure assessments, and any other certification and licensure requirements, used by the State.
- (B) The standards and criteria that prospective teachers must meet to attain initial teacher certification or licensure and to be certified or licensed to teach particular academic subjects, areas, or grades within the State.
- (C) A description of how the assessments and requirements described in subparagraph (A) are aligned with the State's challenging academic content standards required under section 1111(b) (1) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 and, as applicable, State early learning standards for early childhood education programs.
- (D) For each of the assessments used by the State for teacher certification or licensure—
  - (i) for each institution of higher education located in the State and each entity located in the State, including those that offer an alternative route for teacher certification or licensure, the percentage of students at such institution or entity who have completed 100 percent of the nonclinical coursework and taken the assessment who pass such assessment;
  - (ii) the percentage of all such students at all such institutions and entities who have taken the assessment who pass such assessment;
  - (iii) the percentage of students who have taken the assessment who enrolled in and completed a teacher preparation program; and

- (iv) the average scaled score of individuals participating in such a program, or who have completed such a program during the two-year period preceding the first year for which the annual State report card is provided, who took each such assessment.
- (E) A description of alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure in the State (including any such routes operated by entities that are not institutions of higher education), if any, including, for each of the assessments used by the State for teacher certification or licensure—
  - (i) the percentage of individuals participating in such routes, or who have completed such routes during the two-year period preceding the date for which the determination is made, who passed each such assessment; and
  - (ii) the average scaled score of individuals participating in such routes, or who have completed such routes during the two-year period preceding the first year for which the annual State report card is provided, who took each such assessment.
- (F) A description of the State's criteria for assessing the performance of teacher preparation programs within institutions of higher education in the State. Such criteria shall include indicators of the academic content knowledge and teaching skills of students enrolled in such programs.
- (G) For each teacher preparation program in the State—
  - (i) the criteria for admission into the program;

- (ii) the number of students in the program, disaggregated by race, ethnicity, and gender (except that such disaggregation shall not be required in a case in which the number of students in a category is insufficient to yield statistically reliable information or the results would reveal personally identifiable information about an individual student);
- (iii) the average number of hours of supervised clinical experience required for those in the program; and
- (iv) the number of full-time equivalent faculty, adjunct faculty, and students in supervised clinical experience.
- (H) For the State as a whole, and for each teacher preparation program in the State, the number of teachers prepared, in the aggregate and reported separately by—
  - (i) area of certification or licensure;
  - (ii) academic major; and
  - (iii) subject area for which the teacher has been prepared to teach.
- (I) A description of the extent to which teacher preparation programs are addressing shortages of highly qualified teachers, by area of certification or licensure, subject, and specialty, in the State's public schools.
- (J) The extent to which teacher preparation programs prepare teachers, including general education and special education teachers, to teach students with disabilities effectively, including training related to participation as a member of individualized education program teams, as defined in section 614(d)(1)(B) of the

- Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.
- (K) A description of the activities that prepare teachers to-
  - (i) integrate technology effectively into curricula and instruction, including activities consistent with the principles of universal design for learning; and
  - (ii) use technology effectively to collect, manage, and analyze data to improve teaching and learning for the purpose of increasing student academic achievement.
- (L) The extent to which teacher preparation programs prepare teachers, including general education and special education teachers, to effectively teach students who are limited English proficient.
- (2) PROHIBITION AGAINST CREATING A NATIONAL LIST.— The Secretary shall not create a national list or ranking of States, institutions, or schools using the scaled scores provided under this subsection.
- (c) DATA QUALITY.—The Secretary shall prescribe regulations to ensure the reliability, validity, integrity, and accuracy of the data submitted pursuant to this section.
- (d) REPORT OF THE SECRETARY ON THE QUALITY OF TEACHER PREPARATION.—
  - (1) REPORT CARD.—The Secretary shall annually provide to the authorizing committees, and publish and make widely available, a report card on teacher qualifications and preparation in the United States, including all the information reported in subparagraphs (A) through (L) of subsection (b)(1). Such report shall identify States for which eligible partnerships received a grant under this part.

- (2) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—The Secretary shall prepare and submit a report to the authorizing committees that contains the following:
  - (A) A comparison of States' efforts to improve the quality of the current and future teaching force.
  - (B) A comparison of eligible partnerships' efforts to improve the quality of the current and future teaching force.
  - (C) The national mean and median scaled scores and pass rate on any standardized test that is used in more than one State for teacher certification or licensure.
- (3) SPECIAL RULE.—In the case of a teacher preparation program with fewer than ten scores reported on any single initial teacher certification or licensure assessment during an academic year, the Secretary shall collect and publish, and make publicly available, information with respect to an average pass rate and scaled score on each State certification or licensure assessment taken over a three-year period.
- (e) COORDINATION.—The Secretary, to the extent practicable, shall coordinate the information collected and published under this part among States for individuals who took State teacher certification or licensure assessments in a State other than the State in which the individual received the individual's most recent degree.

#### SEC. 206. TEACHER DEVELOPMENT.

(a) ANNUAL GOALS.—Each institution of higher education that conducts a traditional teacher preparation program (including programs that offer any ongoing professional development programs) or alternative routes to State certification or licensure program, and that enrolls students receiving Federal assistance under

- this Act, shall set annual quantifiable goals for increasing the number of prospective teachers trained in teacher shortage areas designated by the Secretary or by the State educational agency, including mathematics, science, special education, and instruction of limited English proficient students.
- (b) ASSURANCES.—Each institution described in subsection (a) shall provide assurances to the Secretary that—
  - (1) training provided to prospective teachers responds to the identified needs of the local educational agencies or States where the institution's graduates are likely to teach, based on past hiring and recruitment trends;
  - (2) training provided to prospective teachers is closely linked with the needs of schools and the instructional decisions new teachers face in the classroom;
  - (3) prospective special education teachers receive coursework in core academic subjects and receive training in providing instruction in core academic subjects;
  - (4) general education teachers receive training in providing instruction to diverse populations, including children with disabilities, limited English proficient students, and children from low-income families; and
  - (5) prospective teachers receive training on how to effectively teach in urban and rural schools, as applicable.
- (c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to require an institution to create a new teacher preparation area of concentration or degree program or adopt a specific curriculum in complying with this section.

### SEC. 207. STATE FUNCTIONS.

(a) STATE ASSESSMENT.—In order to receive funds under this Act, a State shall conduct an assessment to identify low-performing H. R. 4137—76 teacher preparation programs in the State and to assist such programs through the provision of technical assistance. Each such State shall provide the Secretary with an annual list of low-performing teacher preparation programs and an identification of those programs at risk of being placed on such list, as applicable. Such assessment shall be described in the report under section 205(b).

Levels of performance shall be determined solely by the State and may include criteria based on information collected pursuant to this part, including progress in meeting the goals of-

- (1) increasing the percentage of highly qualified teachers in the State, including increasing professional development opportunities;
- (2) improving student academic achievement for elementary and secondary students; and
- (3) raising the standards for entry into the teaching profession.
- (b) TERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY.—Any teacher preparation program from which the State has withdrawn the State's approval, or terminated the State's financial support, due to the low performance of the program based upon the State assessment described in subsection (a)—
  - (1) shall be ineligible for any funding for professional development activities awarded by the Department;
  - (2) may not be permitted to accept or enroll any student who receives aid under title IV in the institution's teacher preparation program;
  - (3) shall provide transitional support, including remedial services if necessary, for students enrolled at the institution at the

- time of termination of financial support or withdrawal of approval; and
- (4) shall be reinstated upon demonstration of improved performance, as determined by the State.
- (c) NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING.—If the Secretary develops any regulations implementing subsection (b)(2), the Secretary shall submit such proposed regulations to a negotiated rulemaking process, which shall include representatives of States, institutions of higher education, and educational and student organizations.
- (d) APPLICATION OF THE REQUIREMENTS.—The requirements of this section shall apply to both traditional teacher preparation programs and alternative routes to State certification and licensure programs.

#### SEC. 208. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

- (a) METHODS.—In complying with sections 205 and 206, the Secretary shall ensure that States and institutions of higher education use fair and equitable methods in reporting and that the reporting methods do not reveal personally identifiable information.
- (b) SPECIAL RULE.—For each State that does not use content assessments as a means of ensuring that all teachers teaching in core academic subjects within the State are highly qualified, as required under section 1119 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, in accordance with the State plan submitted or revised under section 1111 of such Act, and that each person employed as a special education teacher in the State who teaches elementary school or secondary school is highly qualified by the deadline, as required under section 612(a)(14)(C) of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, the Secretary shall—
  - (1) to the extent practicable, collect data comparable to the data required under this

part from States, local educational agencies, institutions of higher education, or other entities that administer such assessments to teachers or prospective teachers; and

(2) notwithstanding any other provision of this part, use such data to carry out requirements of this part related to assessments, pass rates, and scaled scores.

### (c) RELEASE OF INFORMATION TO TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAMS.—

- (1) IN GENERAL.—For the purpose of improving teacher preparation programs, a State that receives funds under this Act, or that participates as a member of a partnership, consortium, or other entity that receives such funds, shall provide to a teacher preparation program, upon the request of the teacher preparation program, any and all pertinent education related information that—
  - (A) may enable the teacher preparation program to evaluate the effectiveness of the program's graduates or the program itself: and
  - (B) is possessed, controlled, or accessible by the State.

## (2) CONTENT OF INFORMATION.— The information described in paragraph (1)—

(A) shall include an identification of specific individuals who graduated from the teacher preparation program to enable the teacher preparation program to evaluate the information provided to the program from the State with the program's own data about the specific courses taken by, and field experiences of, the individual graduates; and

### (B) may include—

- (i) kindergarten through grade 12 academic achievement and demographic data, without revealing personally identifiable information about an individual student, for students who have been taught by graduates of the teacher preparation program; and
- (ii) teacher effectiveness evaluations for teachers who graduated from the teacher preparation program

### APPENDIX II

# Title II State Report Card on the Quality of Teacher Preparation

Office of Postsecondary Education U.S. Department of Education

| Contact Information   |  |
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| Academic year:2008-09 |  |

Section 205 of Title II of the Higher Education Opportunity Act mandates that the Department of Education collect data on state assessments, other requirements, and standards for teacher certification and licensure, as well as data on the performance of teacher preparation programs. The law requires the Secretary to use these data in submitting an annual report on the quality of teacher preparation to the Congress. The first Secretarial report is due April 2011. Annual state reports to the Secretary are first due on October 30, 2010. Data from institutions with teacher preparation programs are due to states annually, beginning April 31, 2010, for use by states in preparing annual report cards to the Secretary.

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NOTE: The procedures for developing the information required for these tables are explained in the Higher Education Opportunity Act, Title II: Reporting Reference and User Manual. Terms and phrases in this questionnaire are defined in the glossary. Introduction

# Introduction (optional) Section I. Program information

(A) For each element listed below, check those required for admission into each traditional initial teacher certification preparation program at institutions of higher education in the state at either the undergraduate (UG) or postgraduate (PG) level. (§205(b)(1)(G)(i))

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(B) For each element listed below, check those required for admission into each alternative initial teacher certification preparation program in the state at either the undergraduate (UG) or postgraduate (PG) level. Include alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure within institutions of higher education (IHEs) and outside of IHEs.  $(\S205(b)(1)(G)(i))$ 

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(C) Provide the number of students in each initial teacher certification preparation program in the state in 2008-09 in the following categories. Include both traditional programs and alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure (both within IHEs and outside of IHEs). Note that you must report on the number of students by ethnicity and race separately. Individuals who are non-Hispanic/Latino will be reporting in one of the race categories. Also note that individuals can belong to one or more racial groups, so the sum of the members of each racial category may not necessarily add up to the total number of students enrolled. (§205(b)(1)(G)(ii))

| Teacher preparation program name | Unduplicated number of males enrolled | Unduplicated number of females enrolled | Total number of students enrolled |
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| Teacher preparation | Number of students enrolled by ethnicity |   | Nun   | ber of studen                   | ts enrolled by                               | race  |                   |
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| program<br>name     | Hispanic/Latino of any race              | American<br>Indian or<br>Alaska<br>Native | Asian | Black or<br>African<br>American | Native<br>Hawaiian<br>or Pacific<br>Islander | White | Two or more races |
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(D) For each initial teacher certification preparation program in the state, provide the following information about supervised clinical experience in 2008-09. Include both traditional programs and alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure (both within IHEs and outside of IHEs). (\$205(b)(1)(G)(iii), \$205(b)(1)(G)(iv))

| Teacher<br>preparation<br>program name | Average number of clock hours required prior to student teaching | Average number of clock hours required for student teaching | Number of full-<br>time equivalent<br>faculty in<br>supervised clinical<br>experience during<br>this academic year | Number of full-<br>time equivalent<br>adjunct faculty in<br>supervised clinical<br>experience during<br>this academic year<br>(IHE and PreK-12<br>staff) | Number of<br>students in<br>supervised clinical<br>experience during<br>this academic year |
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(E) For each initial teacher certification preparation program in the state, provide the number of teachers prepared, by area of certification or licensure, academic major and subject area prepared to teach in 2008-09. Include both traditional programs and alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure (both within IHEs and outside of IHEs). ( $\S205(b)(1)(H)$ )

| Teacher preparation program name | Teacher preparation program type | Teacher preparation program sponsored by IHE? | Area of certification/<br>licensure | Number prepared |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
|                                  |                                  |   |                                     |                 |
| Total                            |                                  |   |                                     |                 |

| Teacher preparation program name | Teacher preparation program type | Teacher preparation program sponsored by IHE? | Academic major | Number prepared |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|----------------|-----------------|
|                                  |                                  |   |                |                 |
| Total                            |                                  |   |                |                 |

| Teacher preparation program name | Teacher preparation program type | Teacher preparation program sponsored by IHE? | Subject area | Number prepared |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--------------|-----------------|
|                                  |                                  |   |              |                 |
| Total                            |                                  |   |              |                 |

### (F) Provide the following:

| Total number of traditional teacher preparation program completers in 2006-07                                       |  |
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| Total number of traditional teacher preparation program completers in 2007-08                                       |  |
| Total number of traditional teacher preparation program completers in 2008-09                                       |  |
| Total number of alternative route program completers in 2006-07 within IHEs   |  |
| Total number of alternative route program completers in 2007-08 within IHEs   |  |
| Total number of alternative route program completers in 2008-09 within IHEs   |  |
| Total number of alternative route program completers in 2006-07 outside of IHEs                                     |  |
| Total number of alternative route program completers in 2007-08 outside of IHEs                                     |  |
| Total number of alternative route program completers in 2008-09 outside of IHEs                                     |  |
| Total number of initial teaching licenses or certificates issued in 2008-09 to individuals trained in your state    |  |
| Total number of initial teaching licenses or certificates issued in 2008-09 to individuals trained in another state |  |

### Section II. Reliability and validity of teacher certification or licensure assessments and requirements

| Provide documentation on the reliability and validity of the teacher certification and | licensure assessments,  |
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| and any other certification and licensure requirements, used by the state. Provide sup | porting files and links |
| to websites, as applicable. (§205(b)(1)(A))  |                         |

#### Section III. Teacher certification or licensure requirements

List each teaching certificate or license currently issued by the state and answer the questions about each certificate or license. Include all teaching licenses including initial, emergency, temporary, provisional, permanent, professional and master teacher licenses and well as any licenses given specifically to those participating in or completing alternative routes to certification or licensure. Do not include certificates/ licenses for principals, administrators, social workers, guidance counselors, speech/language pathologists or any other school support personnel. (§205(b)(1)(A))

- 1. Certificate name:
- 2. Is this an initial certificate?
- 3. Is this an emergency, temporary or provisional certificate?
- 4. Is this certificate given only to alternative routes to teacher certification participants or completers?
- 5. Is this certificate given only to career/technical education teachers?
- 6. Is this a permanent certificate?
- 7. Duration of certificate (in years):
- 8. Is this certificate renewable?
  - a. How many times?
  - b. Renewal duration (in years)
  - c. Renewal requirements
- 9. Is a bachelor's degree required?
- 10. Is a master's degree or higher required?
- 11. Is a bachelor's degree in education required?
- 12. Is this certificate granted at the elementary level?
  - a. What is the grade span covered by this certificate?
  - b. Is a bachelor's degree in a subject area or academic content area (other than elementary education) required?
- 13. Is this certificate granted at the middle school level?
  - a. What is the grade span covered by this certificate?
  - b. Is a bachelor's degree in a subject area or academic content area required?
- 14. Is this certificate granted at the secondary level?
  - a. What is the grade span covered by this certificate?
  - b. Is a bachelor's degree in a subject area or academic content area required?
- 15. Will transcript analysis (for degrees from non-U.S. postsecondary institutions) be accepted?
- 16. Is a state-approved teacher education program required?
- 17. Is there a credit hour requirement for pedagogy, professional knowledge and/or professional education coursework?

- 18. Is there a grade point average (GPA) requirement for general and/or professional education coursework?
- 19. Are tests or assessments required?
- 20. Are performance assessment (such as portfolios) required?
- 21. Is there a recency of credit requirement?
- 22. Are passing state prescribed coursework and/or written assignments required?
- 23. Is professional employment as a teacher required?
- 24. Is passing National Board of Professional Teaching Standards required?
- 25. Is completion of a supervised clinical experience required?
- 26. Is professional development or continuing education experience required?
- 27. Is participation in a mentoring program required?
- 28. Of fingerprinting, background check or police record examination, which are required?
- 29. Is United States citizenship required?
- 30. Are there any other requirements?

### Section IV. State teacher standards and criteria for certification or licensure (§205(b)(1)(B), §205(b)(1)(C))

- 1. Has the state developed standards that prospective teachers must meet in order to attain initial teacher certification or licensure?
- 2. Is there a unique, overarching set of teacher standards that currently applies to all teaching fields and grade levels?
- 3. Are there distinct state teacher standards for early childhood education (birth through age 6)?
- 4. Are there distinct state teacher standards for early elementary education (grades K-3)?
- 5. Are there distinct state teacher standards for upper elementary education (grades 4-6)?
- 6. Are there distinct state teacher standards for middle grades education?
- 7. Are there distinct state teacher standards for secondary education?
- 8. Were the standards of any national organizations used, modified or referenced in the development of the state teacher standards? If yes, please specify.
- 9. Specify where there are state teacher standards for the following specific teaching fields and grade levels:

| Teaching field                 | Grade level |                    |            |            |                  |                     |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|------------|------------|------------------|---------------------|
|                                | All levels  | Early<br>childhood | Grades K-3 | Grades 4-6 | Middle<br>grades | Secondary<br>grades |
| Arts                           |             |                    |            |            |                  |                     |
| Bilingual education, ESL       |             |                    |            |            |                  |                     |
| English/language arts          |             |                    |            |            |                  |                     |
| Foreign languages              |             |                    |            |            |                  |                     |
| Mathematics                    |             |                    |            |            |                  |                     |
| Science                        |             |                    |            |            |                  |                     |
| History                        |             |                    |            |            |                  |                     |
| Geography                      |             |                    |            |            |                  |                     |
| Civics/government              |             |                    |            |            |                  |                     |
| Economics                      |             |                    |            |            |                  |                     |
| Social studies                 |             |                    |            |            |                  |                     |
| Special education              |             |                    |            |            |                  |                     |
| Technology in teaching         |             |                    |            |            |                  |                     |
| Vocational/technical education |             |                    |            |            |                  |                     |
| Other (specify:)               |             |                    |            |            |                  |                     |

- 10. Has the state established challenging academic content standards for K-12 students that specify what children are expected to know and be able to do; contain coherent and rigorous content; and encourage the teaching of advanced skills?
- 11. Has the state established early learning standards for early childhood education programs?
- 12. Has the state established a policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure standards with the assessments required for teacher certification or licensure?
- 13. Has the state established a policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure standards with the challenging academic content standards for K-12 students?
- 14. Has the state established a policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure standards with early learning standards for early childhood education programs?
- 15. Has the state established a policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure assessments with the challenging academic content standards for K-12 students?
- 16. Has the state established a policy that links, aligns or coordinates teacher certification or licensure assessments with early learning standards for early childhood education programs?
- 17. Are there other steps being taken to develop or implement teacher standards and align teacher preparation, certification, licensure or assessment standards with content standards for students?

#### Section V. Pass rates and scaled scores

Provide the information in the following tables on the performance of students of each teacher preparation program on each teacher certification/licensure assessment used by your state. This information may be provided to your state by the testing companies. Include traditional teacher preparation programs, alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure within institutions of higher education and alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure operated by entities that are not institutions of higher education. In cases where a student has taken a given assessment more than once, the highest score on that test must be used. There must be at least 10 students in each category taking the same assessment in an academic year for data on that assessment to be reported; for summary data, there must also be at least 10 students (although not necessarily taking the same assessment) for data to be reported. In cases where there are less than 10 students taking the same assessment and the assessment pass rate is not reported, those students must be included in the summary data. Enrolled students are those students admitted to the teacher preparation program who have not yet completed the program. In the case of a teacher preparation program with fewer than 10 scores reported on any single initial teacher certification or licensure assessment during an academic year, the program shall collect and publish information with respect to an average pass rate and scaled score on each state certification or licensure assessment taken over a three-year period.

### ASSESSMENT PASS RATES (\$205(b)(1)(D), \$205(b)(1)(E))

| TPP<br>code | TPP name             | Assessment code | Assessment name | Test<br>company/<br>entity<br>code | Group  | Number<br>taking<br>test | Average<br>scaled<br>score | Number<br>passing<br>test | Pass<br>rate<br>(%) |
|-------------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|--|--------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
|             |                      |                 |                 |                                    | All enrolled students who have completed all nonclinical courses |                          |                            |                           |                     |
|             |                      |                 |                 |                                    | Other enrolled students  |                          |                            |                           |                     |
|             |                      |                 |                 |                                    | All program completers, 2008-09                                  |                          |                            |                           |                     |
|             |                      |                 |                 |                                    | All program completers, 2007-08                                  |                          |                            |                           |                     |
|             |                      |                 |                 |                                    | All program completers, 2006-07                                  |                          |                            |                           |                     |
|             | Statewide<br>average |                 |                 |                                    |  |                          |                            |                           |                     |

### **SUMMARY PASS RATES**

| TPP code | TPP name          | Group                           | Number taking one or more required tests | Number passing all tests taken | Pass rate<br>(%) |
|----------|-------------------|---------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|------------------|
|          |                   | All program completers, 2008-09 |  |                                |                  |
|          |                   | All program completers, 2007-08 |  |                                |                  |
|          |                   | All program completers, 2006-07 |  |                                |                  |
|          | Statewide average |                                 |  |                                |                  |

### **CUT SCORE TABLE**

For each assessment required for initial certification or licensure listed below, provide the low end (lowest possible score), high end (highest possible score) and cut score (minimum passing score).

| Assessment | Low end | High end | Cut score |
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### Section VI. Alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure (§205(b)(1)(E))

- 1. Has the state approved any alternative routes to certification or licensure?
- 2. Is the state considering or has the state proposed alternative routes to certification or licensure?
- 3. Has the state approved alternative routes to certification or licensure, but no entity is currently implementing them?
- 4. Has the state approved and implemented one or more alternative routes to certification or licensure?

For all state-approved alternative routes, both implemented and not implemented, list each alternative route and answer the questions about each route.

- 1. Alternative route name:
- 2. Year approved by the state:
- 3. Year implemented:
- 4. Number enrolled during the 2008-09 academic year:
- 5. Is this alternative route limited to teaching certain subject areas or grade levels? If yes, please specify.
- 6. Is this alternative route designed to address critical shortage areas? If yes, please specify.
- 7. Maximum number of years allowed to complete alternative route program:
- 8. Is this route intended for mid-career switchers?
- 9. Is a teaching license issued to an individual participating in this route? If yes, please specify.
- 10. Is a bachelor's degree required?
  - a. Is a bachelor's degree in a subject area required?
- 11. Are pedagogy or professional knowledge classes required?
- 12. Is there a credit hour requirement for general and/or professional education coursework?
- 13. Is there a grade point average (GPA) requirement for general and/or professional education coursework?
- 14. Are tests or assessments required?
- 15. Are performance assessment (such as portfolios) required?
- 16. Is passing state prescribed coursework and/or written assignments required?
- 17. Is professional employment as a teacher required?
- 18. Is completion of a supervised clinical experience required? If yes, please describe.
- 19. Is professional development or continuing education experience required?
- 20. Is participation in a mentoring program required?
- 21. Is a person participating in this route considered highly qualified under the No Child Left Behind Act?
- 22. Is there a service requirement upon completion of this alternative route? If yes, please specify:
  - a. Teaching in a high-needs school? How many years: \_
  - b. Teaching in a critical shortage area? How many years: \_

- 23. Of fingerprinting, background check or police record examination, which are required?
- 24. Is United States citizenship required?
- 25. Who administers the alternative route:

| state                              | institution of higher education | district |
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| non-profit or private organization | other (specify:)                |          |

If the alternative route is administered by institutions of higher education, select the institutions offering this alternative route:

- 26. Are there any other requirements? Please specify.
- 27. Website:

### Section VII. Criteria for assessing the performance of teacher preparation programs in the state (\$205(b)(1)(F), \$207(a))

- 1. Has the state implemented criteria for assessing the performance of traditional teacher preparation programs? If yes, provide the implementation date.
- 2. Has the state implemented criteria for assessing the performance of alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure? If yes, provide the implementation date.
- 3. List the entities involved in implementation:
- 4. Specify any national organizations whose criteria are being used or that are involved in some other way:
- 5. If the state has not implemented criteria, has the state proposed criteria for assessing teacher preparation program performance?
- 6. Do the state criteria include a determination of passing rates on state certification or licensure assessments in the academic content areas?
- 7. Do the state criteria include indicators of teaching skills? Describe the state criteria for assessing the performance of teacher preparation programs for:
  - 7.a. Assessing the ability of teacher preparation program enrollees to employ teaching and learning strategies that focus on the identification of the specific learning needs of students who are gifted and talented, and to tailor academic instruction to such needs.
  - 7.b. Assessing the ability of teacher preparation program enrollees to employ teaching and learning strategies that focus on the identification of the specific learning needs of students with disabilities, and to tailor academic instruction to such needs.
  - 7.c. Assessing the ability of teacher preparation program enrollees to employ teaching and learning strategies that focus on the identification of the specific learning needs of students who are limited English proficient, and to tailor academic instruction to such needs.
  - 7.d. Assessing the ability of teacher preparation program enrollees to employ teaching and learning strategies that focus on the identification of the specific learning needs of students with low literacy levels, and to tailor academic instruction to such needs.
- 8. Do the state criteria include progress in increasing the percentage of highly qualified teachers in the state?
- 9. Do the state criteria include progress in increasing professional development opportunities?
- 10. Do the state criteria include progress in improving student academic achievement for elementary and secondary students?
- 11. Do the state criteria include progress in raising the standards for entry into the teaching profession?
- 12. Are there any other criteria? Please specify.

### Section VIII. Low performing state teacher preparation programs (§207(a))

- Provide a list of the criteria your state has defined for classifying traditional teacher preparation programs as "low performing" or "at risk of being low performing."
- Provide a list of the criteria your state has defined for classifying alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure as "low performing" or "at risk of being low performing."
- · Provide a description of the procedures your state uses to identify and assist (through the provisions of technical assistance) low-performing traditional teacher preparation programs.
- Provide a description of the procedures your state uses to identify and assist (through the provisions of technical assistance) low-performing alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure.
- Last year, your state indicated that the following traditional and alternative teacher preparation programs were classified as low performing or at risk of being classified as low performing. For each program, indicate whether the program is still classified as low performing or at risk of being so classified.
  - a. Program name:
  - b. Institution name:
  - c. Program type (traditional or alternative):
  - d. At risk or low performing:
  - e. Date designated:
- Provide a list of traditional and alternative teacher preparation programs in your state that are currently classified as low performing or at risk of being so classified.
  - a. Program name:
  - b. Institution name:
  - c. Program type (traditional or alternative):
  - d. At risk or low performing:
  - e. Date designated:

### Section IX. Shortages of highly qualified teachers

| Provide a description of the extent to which teacher preparation programs are addressing shortages of highly qualified teachers, by area of certification or licensure, subject, and specialty, in your state's public schools. Include planning activities and timelines if these activities are not currently in place. Include both tradition programs and alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure, as applicable. (§205(b)(1)(I)) | • |
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| Section X. Tea | cher Training | • |
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| Provide a description of the extent to which teacher preparation programs prepare teachers, including general education and special education teachers, to teach students with disabilities effectively, including training related to participation as a member of individualized education program teams, as defined in section $614(d)$ (1)(B) of the <i>Individuals with Disabilities Education Act</i> <sup>15</sup> . Include planning activities and timelines if these activities are not currently in place. Include both traditional programs and alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure, as applicable. ( $$205(b)(1)(J)$ ) |
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| Provide a description of the extent to which teacher preparation programs prepare teachers, including general education and special education teachers, to effectively teach students who are limited English proficient. Include planning activities and timelines if these activities are not currently in place. Include both traditional programs and alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure, as applicable. (§205(b)(1)(L))   |
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<sup>15</sup> The term `individualized education program team' or `IEP Team' means a group of individuals composed of the parents of a child with a disability; not less than 1 regular education teacher of such child (if the child is, or may be, participating in the regular education environment); not less than 1 special education teacher, or where appropriate, not less than 1 special education provider of such child; a representative of the local educational agency who is qualified to provide, or supervise the provision of, specially designed instruction to meet the unique needs of children with disabilities; is knowledgeable about the general education curriculum; and is knowledgeable about the availability of resources of the local educational agency; an individual who can interpret the instructional implications of evaluation results, who may be a member of the team described above; at the discretion of the parent or the agency, other individuals who have knowledge or special expertise regarding the child, including related services personnel as appropriate; and whenever appropriate, the child with a disability.

| Provide a description of the activities that prepare teachers to integrate technology effectively into curricula and instruction, including activities consistent with the principles of universal design for learning; and use technology effectively to collect, manage, and analyze data to improve teaching and learning for the purpose of increasing student academic achievement. Include planning activities and timelines if these activities are not currently in place. Include both traditional programs and alternative routes to teacher certification or licensure, as applicable. (§205(b)(1)(K)) |  |  |  |
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| Section XII. Efforts to improve teacher quality   |  |  |  |
| List and describe any steps taken by the state during the past year to improve the quality of the current and future teaching force. $(\$205(d)(2)(A))$   |  |  |  |
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| Section XIII. Certification   |  |  |  |
| I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information in this report is accurate and complete and  |  |  |  |
| conforms to the definitions and instructions used in the <i>Higher Education Opportunity Act, Title II: Reporting</i>   |  |  |  |
| Reference and User Manual.  |  |  |  |
| Signature Name of responsible representative for the state  |  |  |  |
| Title   |  |  |  |
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| Certification of review of submission: Signature  |  |  |  |
| SignatureName   |  |  |  |
| Title   |  |  |  |
| Supplemental information (optional)   |  |  |  |

### APPENDIX III

# Title II Teacher Quality Grant Partnership (TQP) **Discretionary Grant Awards**

Title II of the Higher Education Act (HEA) of 1965, as amended in 2008 by the Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA), authorizes Teacher Quality Partnership (TQP) grant awards to eligible partnerships and requires information about them be reported annually as listed below. The discretionary grants are to reform traditional university teacher preparation and implement teacher residency programs. The partnerships include high-need school districts, their high-need schools, institutions of higher education (IHEs) and their colleges or departments of education, arts and sciences. The TQP awards support collaboration of key stakeholders to improve the quality of teaching in public elementary and secondary schools in which children are in greatest need of support to accelerate their learning. Project abstracts and other information are available at http://www2.ed.gov/programs/tqpartnership/awards.html.

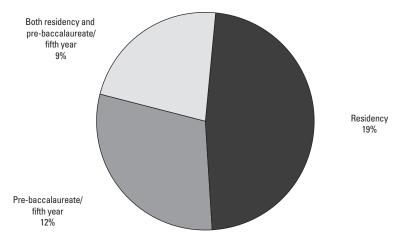
Teacher Quality Partnership (TQP) grant awards in FY 2009 and FY 2010

| State | Grantee   | Name of Partnership   |  |  |
|-------|---|---|--|--|
|       | 2009  |   |  |  |
| AZ    | Arizona Board of Regents for and on behalf of Arizona<br>State University | PDS NEXT  |  |  |
| CA    | California State L.A. University Auxiliary Services, Inc.                 | Los Angeles Urban Teacher Residency Program   |  |  |
|       | California State University, Bakersfield                                  | California Partnership for Teacher Quality Programs   |  |  |
|       | California State University, Dominguez Hills                              | California State University, Dominguez Hills Urban Teacher<br>Residency   |  |  |
|       | The CSU, Chico Research Foundation  | Co-STARS: Collaboration for Student and Teacher Achievement in Rural Schools  |  |  |
|       | The Regents of the University of California                               | Los Angeles Urban Teacher Residency (LA-UTR)  |  |  |
| GA    | Georgia State University Research Foundation, Inc.                        | NET-Q: Network for Enhancing Teaching-Quality   |  |  |
|       | Kennesaw State University   | Vertically Articulated Professional Development Schools   |  |  |
| IL    | Illinois State University   | Teacher Education and Assessment Continuum for High-need<br>Educators and Resources + Principal Leadership in Urban Schools<br>(TEACHER + PLUS) Project |  |  |
|       | National-Louis University   | Academy for Urban School Leadership (AUSL)  |  |  |
|       | The Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois                       | Chicago Teacher Partnership Program   |  |  |
| IN    | Trustees of Indiana University  | Urban Education Excellence: STEM Teaching Residency with Dual Licensure in Special Education  |  |  |
| KS    | MidAmerica Nazarene University  | Preparing Educators for Rural Kansas  |  |  |
|       | Wichita State University  | Wichita Teacher Quality Partnership   |  |  |
| KY    | Western Kentucky University Research Foundation, Inc.                     | GSKyTeach   |  |  |
| LA    | Louisiana State University and A&M College                                | Central Louisiana Academic Residency for Teachers   |  |  |
| M0    | Curators, Univ. of Missouri-on behalf of UMKC                             | Institute for Urban Education Change Agents for Urban School Excellence   |  |  |
| NC    | East Carolina University  | Teacher Quality and Student Achievement: A Comprehensive Data-<br>Driven School-University Approach to P–16 Reform                                      |  |  |

| NJ | Montclair State University  | Newark-Montclair Urban Teacher Residency Program  |  |  |  |
|----|---|---|--|--|--|
|    | William Paterson University   | Garden State Partnership for Teacher Quality  |  |  |  |
| NY | Bard College  | Bard College Rural Teacher Residency Program  |  |  |  |
|    | Research Foundation of CUNY on behalf of Hunter College of CUNY     | New Visions for Public Schools—Hunter College Urban Teacher<br>Residency  |  |  |  |
|    | Teachers College, Columbia University                               | Teaching Residents at Teachers College, Columbia University (TR@ TC)  |  |  |  |
| ОН | Ohio State University Research Foundation                           | Apprenticeships Supported by Partnerships for Innovation and Reform in Education (ASPIRE)                                   |  |  |  |
| SC | Winthrop University   | Network of Sustained, Collaborative, Ongoing Preparation for Educators (NetSCOPE)   |  |  |  |
| SD | Mid Central Education Cooperative                                   | South Dakota Partnership for Teacher Quality  |  |  |  |
| TX | Texas State University– San Marcos                                  | Teaching Residency Program for Critical Shortage Areas  |  |  |  |
| VA | Old Dominion University Research Foundation                         | Old Dominion University Teacher Immersion Residency   |  |  |  |
|    | 2010  |   |  |  |  |
| CA | The University Corporation California State University Northridge   | A Teaching Residency Program in Special Education: Improving Achievement of Students with Disabilities in High-Need Schools |  |  |  |
| CO | School District No. 1, City and County of Denver, State of Colorado | Denver Teacher Residency  |  |  |  |
| IA | Iowa Department of Education  | lowa Teacher Quality Partnership Grant project  |  |  |  |
| IL | Governors State University  | Chicago Southland Region Teacher Quality Partnership  |  |  |  |
|    | University of Chicago   | Chicago Urban Teacher Education Program   |  |  |  |
| MA | Boston Plan for Excellence/Boston Teacher Residency                 | Boston Teacher Residency Partnership  |  |  |  |
| NC | University of North Carolina at Greensboro                          | Project ENRICH: Educational Network for Renewal, Innovation, Collaboration and Help   |  |  |  |
| NM | Questa Independent Schools  | Land of Enchantment Teacher Quality Partnership (LETQP)   |  |  |  |
| NY | Research Foundation of CUNY on behalf of Lehman<br>College          | Mathematics Achievement with Teachers of High-need Urban Populations  |  |  |  |
| TX | National Math and Science Initiatives, Inc.                         | The Teacher Preparation Reform Consortium   |  |  |  |
| VA | Virginia Commonwealth University                                    | Richmond Teacher Residency Program  |  |  |  |
| WA | Heritage University   | Heritage 105 Project  |  |  |  |

There are two types of TQP grants: 1) Teacher Residency Programs that focus on preparing elementary education, mathematics, science and special education teachers, and 2) Reformed Teacher Preparation projects that focus on reform of all teacher certification areas offered by the IHE in their pre-baccalaureate and fifth year programs. Figure A shows the distribution of the 40 TQP grants awarded in FY 2009 and FY 2010 by program type.

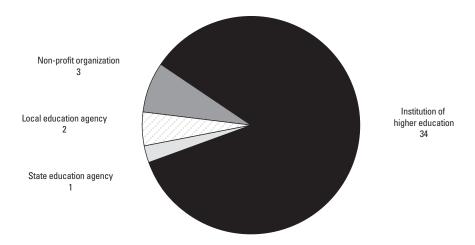
Figure A. Classification of Teacher Quality Partnership grant awards by type of program: 2009-2010



SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Annual Performance Reports, Teacher Quality Partnership Grants (2011).

TQP grants can be awarded to various fiscal agents, including IHEs, local education agencies, state education agencies and nonprofit organizations. Figure B shows the distribution of the 40 TQP grants awarded in FY 2009 and FY 2010 by fiscal agent.

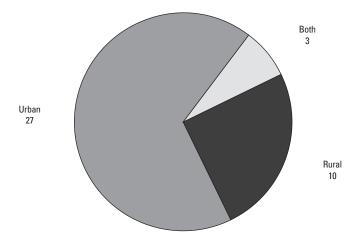
Figure B. Classification of Teacher Quality Partnership grant awards by fiscal agent: 2009-2010



SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Annual Performance Reports, Teacher Quality Partnership Grants (2011).

TQP grants can be focused on preparing teachers for rural, urban or both types of school districts. Figure C shows the distribution of the 40 TQP grants awarded in FY 2009 and FY 2010 by location.

Figure C. Classification of Teacher Quality Partnership grant awards by program focus: 2009-2010



SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Annual Performance Reports, Teacher Quality Partnership Grants (2011).



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