

THE STATUS OF PUBLIC SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA CENTERS IN THE US: 1999-2000

Number of public schools and number and percentage of public schools with library media centers:

State and selected characteristics	Number of public schools	Number of public schools w/ library media centers	Percentage of public schools w/ library media centers
50 states and DC	83,824	76,807	91.6

Number of pupils in public schools, and number and percentage of pupils and state-certified library media specialists in public schools with library media centers.

		For schools with library media centers					
State and selected characteristics	Number of pupils in public schools	Number of pupils	Percentage of Pupils	Number of schools with paid state-certified LMS	Percentage of schools with paid state-certified LMS		
50 states and DC	45,035,115	43,599,096	96.8	57,781	75.2		

Number and percentage of public schools with library media centers where paid professional staff has a bachelor's degree or MLS or related degree as their highest degree.

State and selected characteristics	Number of schools with library media center	Number of schools where paid professional staff has bachelor's degree	Percentage of schools where paid professional staff has bachelor's degree	Number of schools where paid professional staff has MLS or related degree	Percentage of schools where paid professional staff has MLS or related degree
50 states and DC	76,807	15,305	19.9	31,954	41.6

Number and percentage of public schools with paid full-time or part-time state-certified library media specialists.

State and selected characteristics	Number of schools with library media center	Number of schools with paid full-time state-certified library media specialist	Percentage of schools with paid full-time state-certified library media specialist	Number of schools with paid part-time state-certified library media specialist	Percentage of schools where paid professional staff has MLS or related degree
50 states and DC	76,807	46,485	60.5	11,296	14.7

Number and percentage of public schools with paid library aides or clerical staff and regularly scheduled adult and student library volunteers during most recent full week.

State and selected characteristics	Number of schools with library media center	Number of schools with paid library aides or clerical staff	Percentage of schools with paid library aides or clerical staff	Number of schools with adult volunteers	Percentage of schools with adult volunteers
50 states and DC	76,807	54,956	71.6	29,210	38
State and selected characteristics	Number of schools with student volunteers	Percentage of schools with student volunteers			
50 states and DC	27,805	36.2			

Average library expenditures and book holdings for public school library media centers.

State and selected characteristics	Average library expenditures	Average book expenditures	Percentage of library expenditures spent on books	Average number of books acquired during 98-99	Average number of books held at end of 1998-1999
50 states and DC	\$8,729	\$5,683	65.1	488	10,232

Number and percentage of public school library media centers with CD-ROMs or video materials.

State and selected characteristics	Library media centers with CD-ROMs				Library media centers with video materials			
	Number of schools	Percentage of schools	Average number per school	Average expenditures	Number of schools	Percentage of schools	Average number per school	Average Expenditures
50 states and DC	61,203	79.7	46	\$336	70,979	92.4	292	\$612

Percentage distribution of types of library schedules and frequency of regularly scheduled class visits by public school library media centers.

State and selected characteristics	Percentage distribution by type of scheduling			Frequency of regularly scheduled class visits		
	Percentage of library media centers having flexible schedule	Percentage of library media centers having fixed schedule	Percentage of library media centers having combination scheduling	Percentage weekly	Percentage once every 2 weeks	Percentage varies by grade level
50 states and DC	31.8	42.8	25.5	76.7	7.6	15.6

Number and percentage of public school library media centers with scheduled times that students can use the library independently.

State and selected characteristics	Number of libraries with set times when students can use the library independently	Percentage of libraries with set times when students can use the library independently	Percentage of school libraries offering set times when students can use the library independently.			
			Before or after school	During lunch break	During set times throughout the day	Between classes or during recess
50 states and DC	28,292	36.8	49.9	33.6	80.3	33.5

Average number of public school library books and other materials checked out during the most recent full week and percentage of public school libraries with borrowing privileges for prekindergartners, kindergartners, and parents.

State and selected characteristics	Average number of library materials checked out per school	Percentage of school libraries with borrowing privileges		
		Prekindergartners	Kindergartners	Parents
50 states and DC	605	13.5	52	80.5

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Number of private schools and number and percentage of private schools with library media centers.

Selected Characteristics	Number of private schools	Number of private schools with library media centers	Percentage of private schools with library media centers
See table 1b. pg. 6	27,223	17,054	62.6

Number of pupils in private schools, number and percentage of pupils and state-certified library media specialists in private schools with library media centers.

Selected Characteristics	Number of pupils in private schools	Number of pupils	Percentage of pupils	For schools with library media centers	
				Number of schools with paid state-certified library media specialists	Percentage of schools with paid state-certified library media specialists
See table 2b. pg. 10	5,252,743	4,292,674	81.7	3,441	20.2

Number and percentage of private schools with library media centers where paid professional staff have a bachelor's degree or MLS or related degree as their highest degree.

Selected Characteristics	Number of private schools with library media centers	Number of schools where paid professional staff has bachelor's degree	Percentage of schools where paid professional staff has bachelor's degree	Number of schools where paid professional staff has MLS or related degree	Percentage of schools where paid professional staff has MLS or related degree
See table 3b. pg. 16	17,054	3,542	20.8	2,851	16.7

Number and percentage of private schools with paid full-time or part-time state-certified library media specialists.

Selected Characteristics	Number of schools with library media center	Number of schools with paid full-time state-certified library media specialist	Percentage of schools with paid full-time state-certified library media specialists	Number of schools with paid part-time state-certified library media specialists	Percentage of schools with paid part-time state-certified library media specialist
See table 4b. pg. 20	17054	2501	14.7	940	5.5

Number and percentage of private schools with paid library aides or clerical staff and regularly scheduled adult and student library volunteers during most recent full week.

Selected Characteristics	Number of schools with paid library aides or clerical staff	Percentage of schools with paid library aides or clerical staff	Number of schools with adult volunteers	Percentage of schools with adult volunteers	Number of schools with student volunteers
See table 5b. pg. 24	6064	35.6	9908	58.1	4192
Selected Characteristics	Percentage of schools with student volunteers				
See table 5b. pg. 24	24.6				

Average library expenditures and book holdings for private school library media centers.

Selected Characteristics	Average library expenditures	Average book expenditures	Percentage of library expenditures spent on books	Average number of books acquired during 1998-1999	Average number of books held at end of 1998-1999
See table 6b. pg. 30	\$4391	\$2660	60.6	327	7192

Number and percentage of private school library media centers with CD-ROMS or video materials.

Selected Characteristics	Library media centers with CD-ROMS			Library Media centers with video materials		
	Number of schools	Percentage of schools	Average expenditures	Number of schools	Percentage of schools	Average Expenditures
See table 7b. pg. 34	9442	55.4	\$206	14182	83.2	\$337

Percentage distribution of types of library schedules and frequency of regularly scheduled class visits by private school library media centers.

Selected Characteristics	Type of scheduling			Frequency of regularly scheduled class visits		
	Percentage of library media centers having flexible schedule	Percentage of library media centers having regular schedule	Percentage of library media centers having combination scheduling	Percentage weekly	Percentage once every 2 weeks	Percentage varies by grade level
See table 8b. pg. 40	33.8	40.2	26	81.1	1.5	17.4

Number and percentage of private school library media centers with scheduled times that students can use the library independently.

Selected Characteristics	Number of libraries with set times when students can use the library independently	Percentage of libraries with set times when students can use the library independently	Percentage of school libraries offering set times when students can use the library independently.			
			Before or after school	During lunch break	During set times throughout the day	Between classes or during recess
See table 9b. pg. 44	8543	49.6	35.7	30.2	84.1	27.7

Average number of private school library books and other materials checked out during the most recent full week and percentage of private school libraries with borrowing privileges for prekindergartners, kindergartners, and parents.

Selected Characteristics	Average number of library materials checked out per school	Percentage of school libraries with borrowing privileges		
		Prekindergartners	Kindergartners	Parents
See table 10b. pg. 48	224	23.5	61.3	74.7