

# Nebraska

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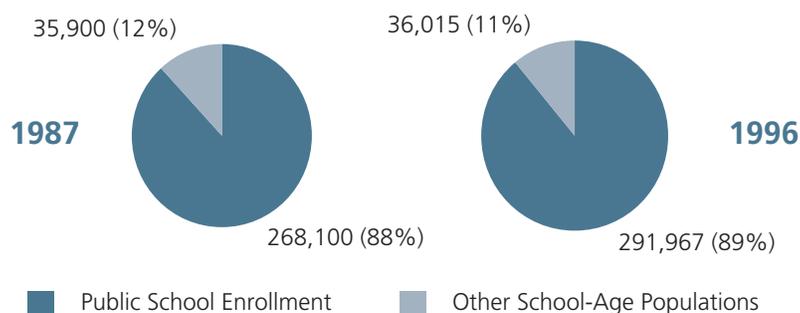
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## GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

1987	1996	Demographics
268,100	291,967	Students in public elementary and secondary schools
1,537	1,396	Public schools
17,713	20,174	Teachers in public elementary and secondary schools
77,227	77,227	Land area in square miles
3.5	3.8	Public school students per square mile
2.0	1.8	Public schools per 100 square miles

**Figure 1**

School-age population in public elementary and secondary schools



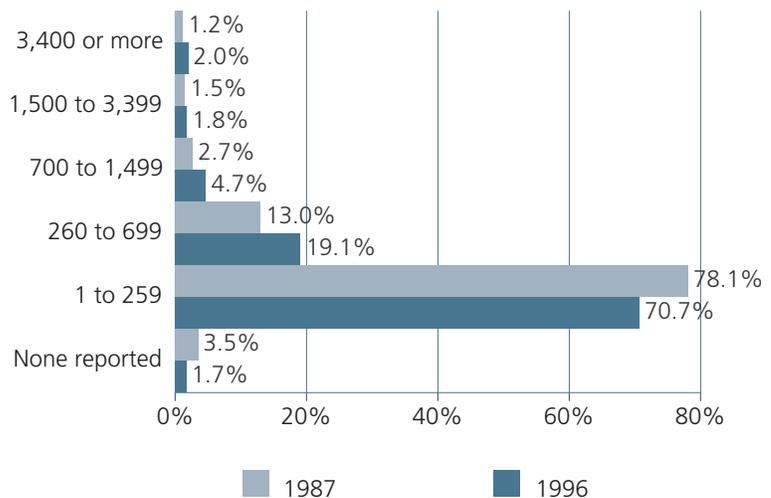
1987	1996	Fiscal summary
1,567	1,649	State population (in thousands)
\$1,670	\$3,342	State revenue per capita
\$1,494	\$2,898	State expenditure per capita
\$168	\$432	State expenditure for elem. and secondary education per capita
\$94,343	\$143,871	Gross state product per school-age child

## AGENCY/SCHOOL INFORMATION

1987		1996		Distribution of agencies by type
100%	1,010	100%	774	Total public education agencies
88.2%	891	84.8%	656	Regular school districts
11.1%	112	14.5%	112	Regional service agencies
0.7%	7	0.8%	6	State-operated agencies
0.0%	0	0.0%	0	Federally operated and other types

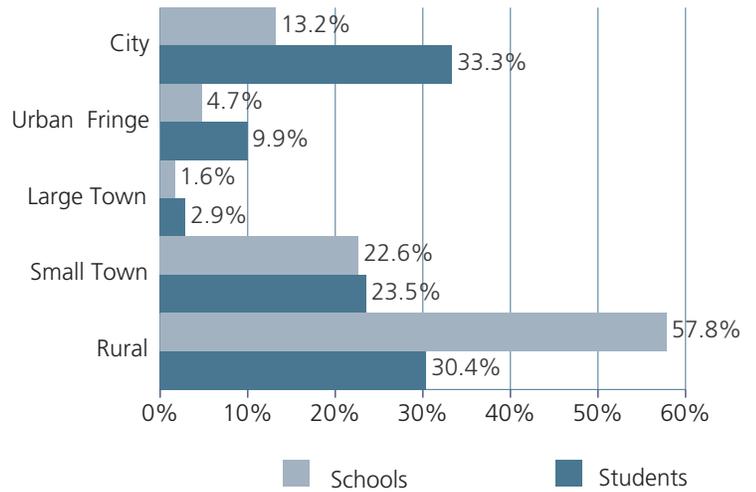
1987		1996		Distribution of agencies by number of schools
0.0%	0	0.0%	0	100 or more schools
0.2%	2	0.4%	3	25 to 99 schools
0.9%	9	1.3%	10	10 to 24 schools
2.3%	23	3.2%	25	5 to 9 schools
82.5%	833	82.0%	635	1 to 4 schools
14.2%	143	13.0%	101	No schools reported

**Figure 2**  
Regular school districts by student membership size

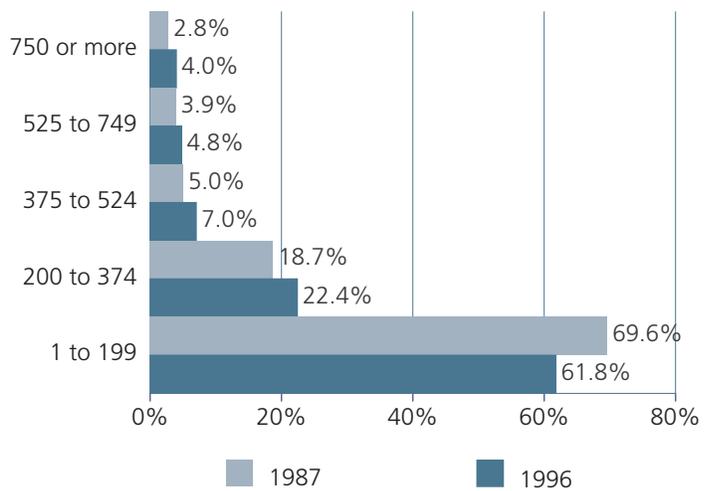


1987		1996		Distribution of schools by type
100%	1,537	100%	1,396	Total public elementary and secondary schools reported
98.8%	1,518	95.5%	1,333	Regular schools
1.2%	19	4.5%	63	Special education schools
0.0%	0	0.0%	0	Vocational schools
0.0%	0	0.0%	0	Other and alternative schools

**Figure 3**  
Distribution of public schools and students by type of locale: 1996-97



**Figure 4**  
Public schools by size of student membership

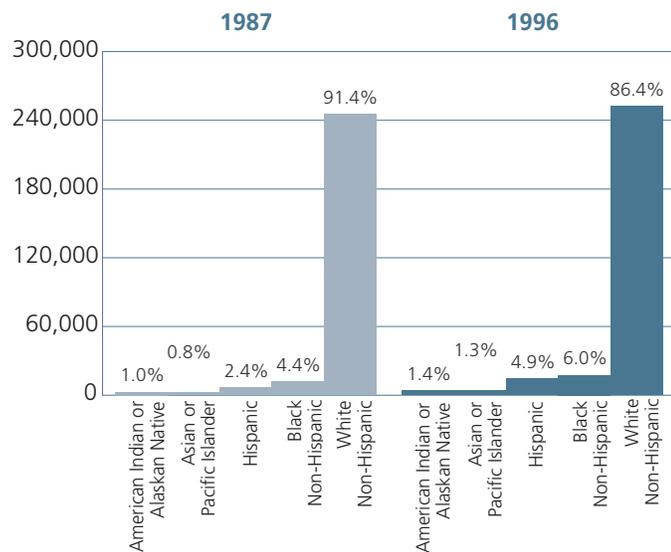


	1987	1996	Number of public schools by grade span category	
45.4%	698	46.1%	644	PK, K, 1 to 3, 4, 5, 6
17.4%	268	11.2%	156	PK, K, 1 to 8
2.5%	38	4.5%	63	4, 5, 6, to 6, 7, 8
3.3%	50	3.0%	42	7 to 8, 9
15.3%	235	15.7%	219	7, 8 to 12
5.8%	89	6.9%	96	9, 10, 11 to 12
10.2%	157	11.4%	159	Other grades
0.0%	0	0.0%	0	Ungraded
0.1%	2	1.2%	17	Not reported

**STUDENT INFORMATION**

1987	1996	Public school membership by grade
1,478	4,104	Prekindergarten
23,255	21,874	Kindergarten
23,188	22,224	First
22,052	21,443	Second
20,714	21,158	Third
20,057	21,440	Fourth
19,544	22,120	Fifth
18,879	22,548	Sixth
19,861	23,023	Seventh
19,138	22,912	Eighth
19,123	24,047	Ninth
20,374	23,790	Tenth
20,690	21,498	Eleventh
19,747	19,786	Twelfth
—	—	Ungraded

**Figure 5**  
Public school student membership by racial/ethnic category

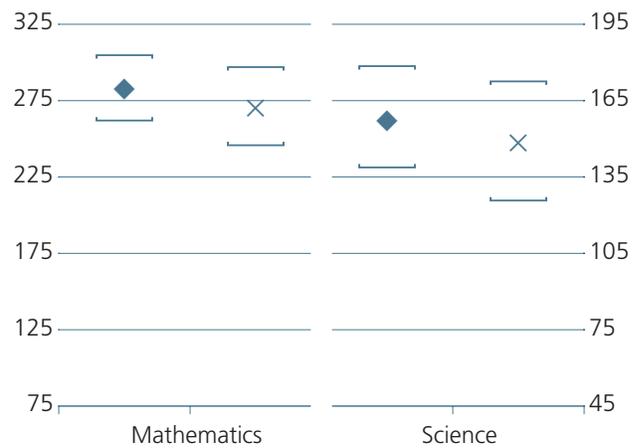


1987	1996	
—	13.9%	Students in special education with IEPs
18.0%	21.0%	School membership eligible for free lunch
—	9.8%	School-age children below poverty

1987		1995		High school completers and dropouts
94.1%	18,129	96.9%	18,014	Regular diploma
	—	0.2%	44	Other diploma
5.9%	1,127	2.1%	394	High school equivalency
	—	0.7%	139	Other completers
	—		4.5%	Dropouts
			57.5%	Dropouts who were male
			29.8%	Dropouts who were minority

**Figure 6**

Grade 8 1996 Mathematics and Science average scale scores for the state (◆) and nation (×) and the 25th (—) and 75th (—) percentiles

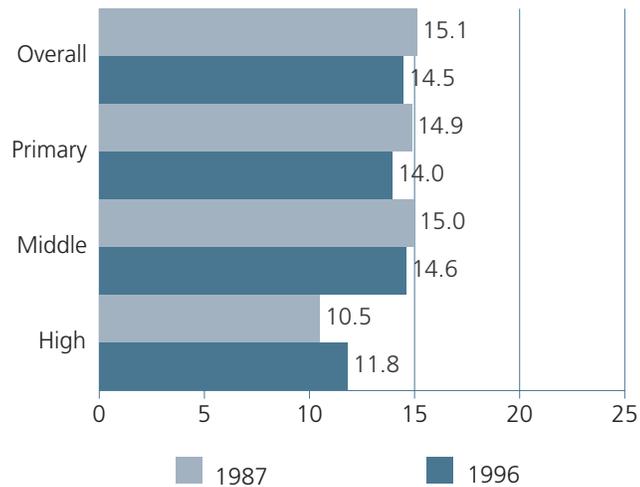


Grade 4	Grade 8	1996 Mathematics and Science achievement levels
227.5	282.8	Average Mathematics scale score [scale 0 to 500]
29.8%	24.1%	Students below basic level
70.2%	75.9%	Students at or above basic level
24.4%	30.8%	Students at or above proficient level
2.3%	5.2%	Students at advanced level
—	157.3	Average Science scale score [scale 0 to 300]
	28.9%	Students below basic level
	71.1%	Students at or above basic level
	34.7%	Students at or above proficient level
	2.7%	Students at advanced level

## STAFF INFORMATION

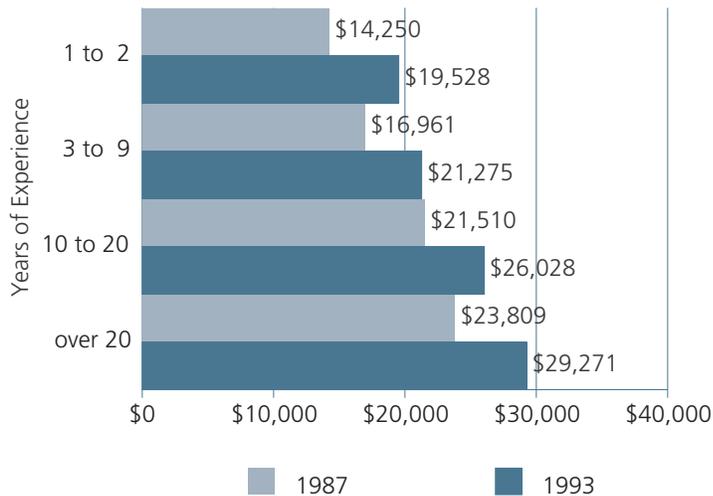
	1987		1996	Educational staff
100%	31,809	100%	38,038	<b>Total education staff</b>
				<b>Instructional staff</b>
55.7%	17,713	53.0%	20,174	Teachers
7.8%	2,472	9.5%	3,629	Instructional aides
				<b>Support staff</b>
1.6%	513	2.0%	757	Guidance counselors/directors
1.6%	498	2.5%	967	Librarians/library support
4.8%	1,526	5.1%	1,958	Administrative support
23.7%	7,535	23.0%	8,743	Other support services
				<b>Administrators</b>
3.3%	1,038	2.5%	969	School-based
1.6%	514	2.2%	841	School district officials/administrators

**Figure 7**  
Average number of students per teacher, by grade level



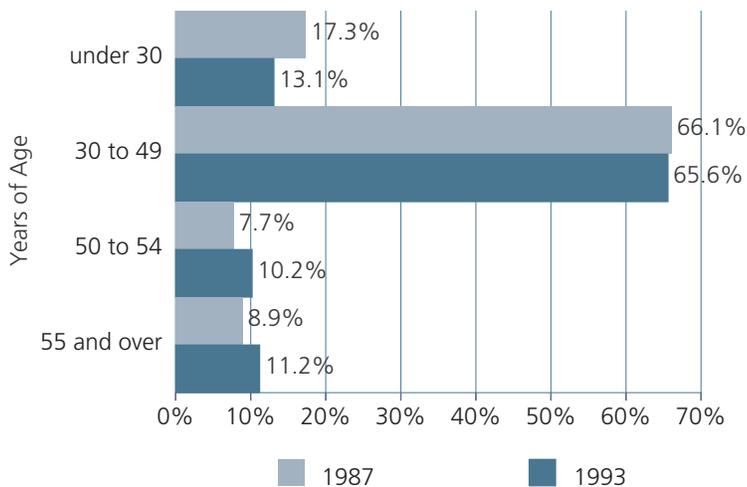
	1987		1996	
	1.3		1.1	Teacher to all other staff ratio
	11.4		11.1	Teacher to administrator ratio

**Figure 8**  
Average salary of full-time teachers by years of experience



1987	1996	
\$15,587	\$21,189	Average beginning teacher salary
\$22,683	\$31,768	Average teacher salary

**Figure 9**  
Distribution of public school teachers by age

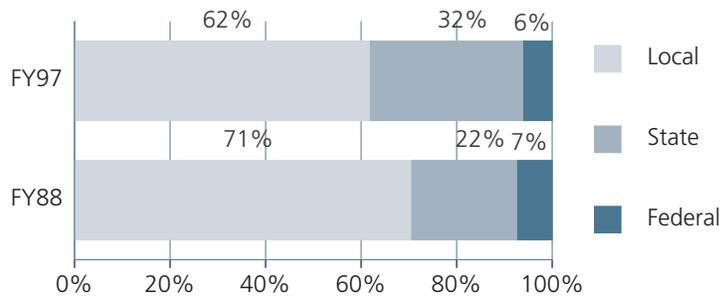


1987	1993	Preparation of teachers: highest degree earned
0.0%	0.2%	Public school teachers with no degree
61.5%	61.5%	Public school teachers with a Bachelor's or lower degree
34.7%	36.0%	Public school teachers with a Master's degree
3.8%	2.3%	Public school teachers with a degree beyond Master's

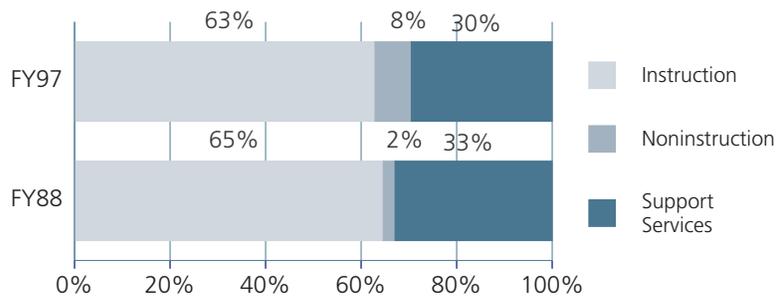
**FISCAL INFORMATION**

FY88	FY97	Federal aid to education under selected programs (in thousands of current dollars)
\$16,453	\$31,413	National school lunch
\$900	\$3,973	National school breakfast
\$19,717	\$32,579	Title I
\$11,320	\$19,863	Education for the handicapped
\$6,444	\$7,935	Vocational and adult education
\$5,042	\$7,380	School improvement
\$8,990	\$12,679	School assistance (federally affected areas)
\$364	\$546	Bilingual education
\$374	\$34	Indian education

**Figure 10**  
Revenues by source



**Figure 11**  
Current expenditures by function



FY88	FY97	Revenues and expenditures (in current dollars)
\$1,034,017	\$1,954,789	Revenues (in thousands of dollars)
\$3,857	\$6,695	Revenue per pupil in membership
\$995,235	\$1,707,455	Current expenditures (in thousands of dollars)
\$3,712	\$5,848	Current expenditure per pupil in membership