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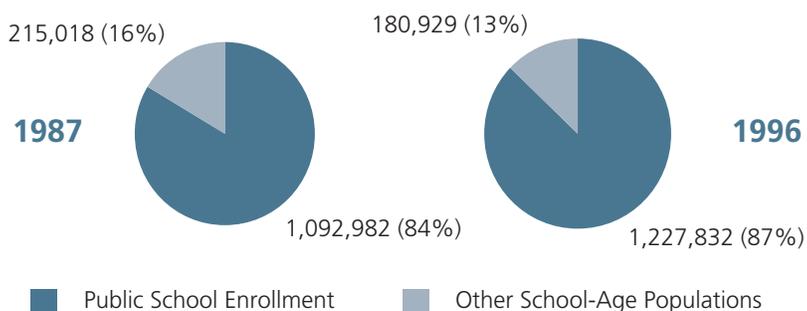


GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

1987	1996	Demographics
1,092,982	1,227,832	Students in public elementary and secondary schools
2,246	2,279	Public schools
78,335	87,642	Teachers in public elementary and secondary schools
7,836	7,836	Land area in square miles
139.5	156.7	Public school students per square mile
28.7	29.1	Public schools per 100 square miles

Figure 1

School-age population in public elementary and secondary schools



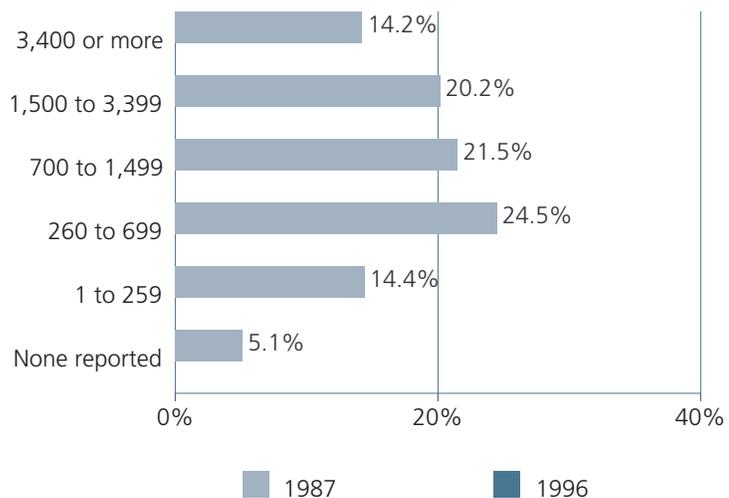
1987	1996	Fiscal summary
7,671	8,002	State population (in thousands)
\$2,717	\$4,481	State revenue per capita
\$2,457	\$3,655	State expenditure per capita
\$398	\$578	State expenditure for elem. and secondary education per capita
\$151,343	\$196,184	Gross state product per school-age child

AGENCY/SCHOOL INFORMATION

1987		1996		Distribution of agencies by type
100%	622	100%	620	Total public education agencies
97.1%	604	98.1%	608	Regular school districts
2.4%	15	1.9%	12	Regional service agencies
0.5%	3	0.0%	0	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
0.6%	4	0.8%	5	25 to 99 schools
5.5%	34	5.3%	33	10 to 24 schools
19.1%	119	19.8%	123	5 to 9 schools
69.3%	431	69.5%	431	1 to 4 schools
5.5%	34	4.5%	28	No schools reported

Figure 2
Regular school districts by student membership size



1987		1996		Distribution of schools by type
100%	2,246	100%	2,279	Total public elementary and secondary schools reported
94.9%	2,132	94.6%	2,156	Regular schools
3.2%	71	3.5%	79	Special education schools
1.8%	41	1.9%	44	Vocational schools
0.1%	2	0.0%	0	Other and alternative schools

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

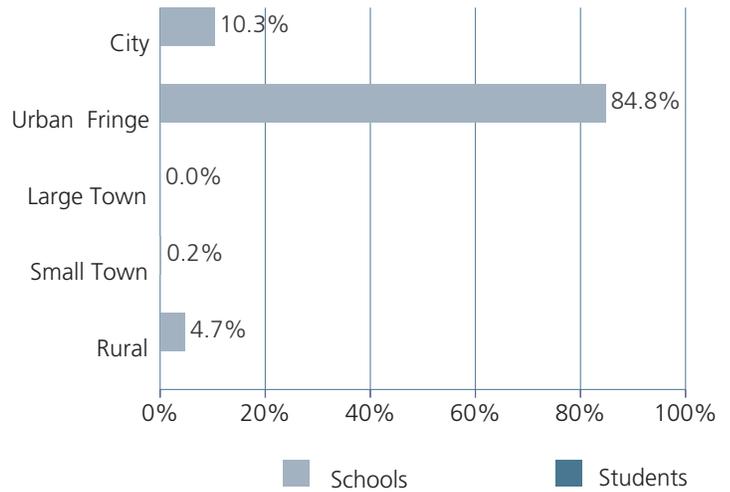
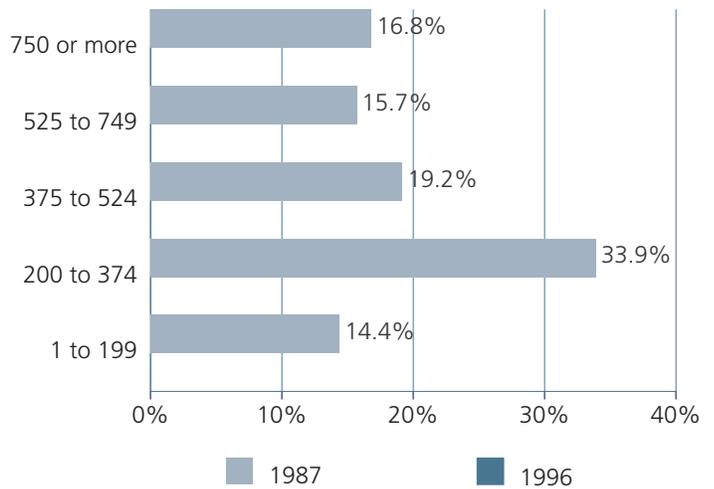


Figure 4
Public schools by size of student membership

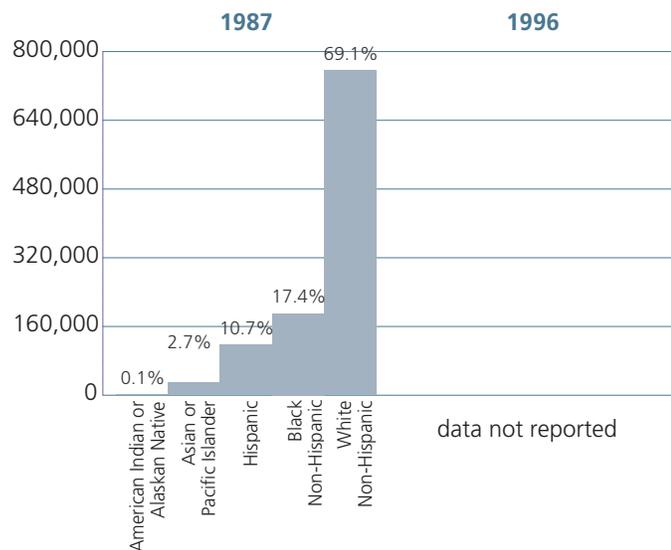


1987		1996		Number of public schools by grade span category
43.3%	973	43.8%	999	
13.4%	302	11.5%	261	PK, K, 1 to 8
11.3%	254	13.4%	306	4, 5, 6, to 6, 7, 8
3.8%	85	3.1%	70	7 to 8, 9
2.3%	52	2.1%	47	7, 8 to 12
12.5%	280	11.4%	259	9, 10, 11 to 12
9.4%	211	9.6%	218	Other grades
3.2%	72	5.2%	118	Ungraded
0.8%	17	0.0%	1	Not reported

STUDENT INFORMATION

1987	1996	Public school membership by grade
6,320	9,737	Prekindergarten
78,991	92,831	Kindergarten
85,932	104,581	First
80,647	99,550	Second
78,772	95,697	Third
76,156	91,665	Fourth
75,882	89,405	Fifth
73,335	88,336	Sixth
75,804	86,283	Seventh
74,848	82,728	Eighth
81,639	87,093	Ninth
80,864	77,752	Tenth
83,009	71,916	Eleventh
82,653	67,460	Twelfth
58,130	82,798	Ungraded

Figure 5
Public school student membership by racial/ethnic category



1987	1996	
—	—	Students in special education with IEPs
—	—	School membership eligible for free lunch
—	15.3%	School-age children below poverty

1987		1995		High school completers and dropouts
87.2%	79,376	100.0%	67,516	Regular diploma
	—		—	Other diploma
11.2%	10,218		—	High school equivalency
1.6%	1,468		—	Other completers
	—		—	Dropouts
				Dropouts who were male
				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

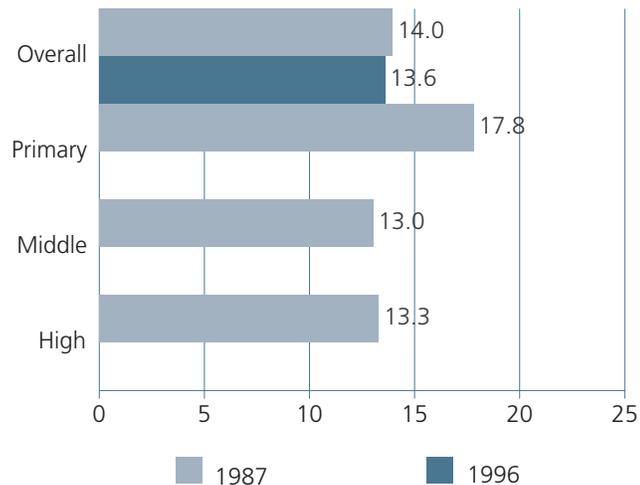
did not meet the initial participation rate standard for public schools and results cannot be reported

Grade 4	Grade 8	1996 Mathematics and Science achievement levels
227.2	—	Average Mathematics scale score [scale 0 to 500]
32.2%	—	Students below basic level
67.8%	—	Students at or above basic level
24.9%	—	Students at or above proficient level
2.5%	—	Students at advanced level
—	151.8	Average Science scale score [scale 0 to 300]
	36.3%	Students below basic level
	63.7%	Students at or above basic level
	29.7%	Students at or above proficient level
	2.9%	Students at advanced level

STAFF INFORMATION

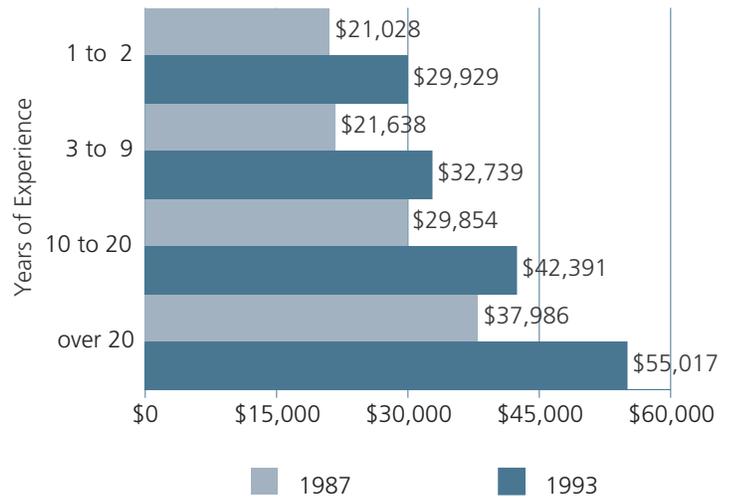
1987		1996		Educational staff
100%	141,257	100%	163,102	Total education staff
Instructional staff				
55.5%	78,335	53.8%	87,642	Teachers
5.8%	8,193	8.9%	14,494	Instructional aides
Support staff				
2.0%	2,778	1.9%	3,136	Guidance counselors/directors
1.5%	2,121	1.5%	2,468	Librarians/library support
24.2%	34,249	8.8%	14,281	Administrative support
6.1%	8,594	20.7%	33,802	Other support services
Administrators				
3.6%	5,119	2.7%	4,339	School-based
1.3%	1,868	1.8%	32,940	School district officials/administrators

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



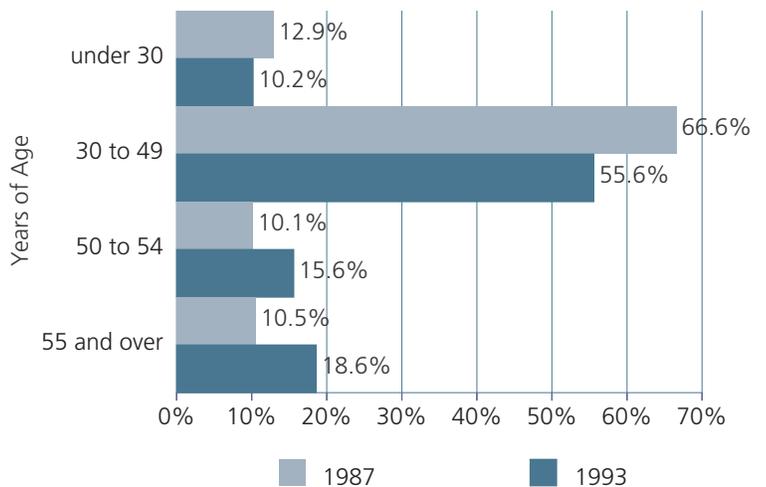
1987	1996	
1.2	1.2	Teacher to all other staff ratio
11.2	12.0	Teacher to administrator ratio

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



1987	1996	
\$19,900	\$28,039	Average beginning teacher salary
\$30,778	\$49,786	Average teacher salary

Figure 9
Distribution of public school teachers by age



1987	1993	Preparation of teachers: highest degree earned
0.3%	0.4%	Public school teachers with no degree
57.9%	56.4%	Public school teachers with a Bachelor's or lower degree
32.4%	37.4%	Public school teachers with a Master's degree
9.4%	5.9%	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)
\$57,063	\$114,651	National school lunch
\$5,404	\$14,108	National school breakfast
\$131,269	\$146,043	Title I
\$57,329	\$140,031	Education for the handicapped
\$24,351	\$31,417	Vocational and adult education
\$22,062	\$46,930	School improvement
\$12,328	\$14,896	School assistance (federally affected areas)
\$2,028	\$2,020	Bilingual education
\$70	—	Indian education

Figure 10
Revenues by source

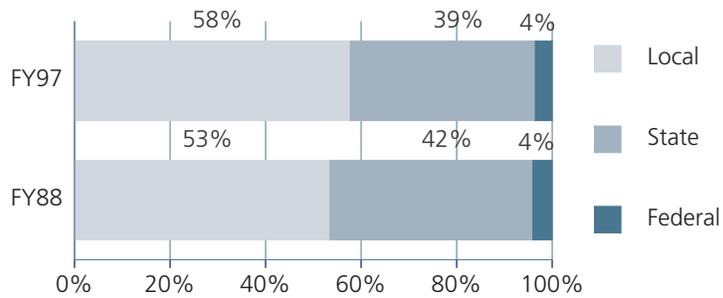
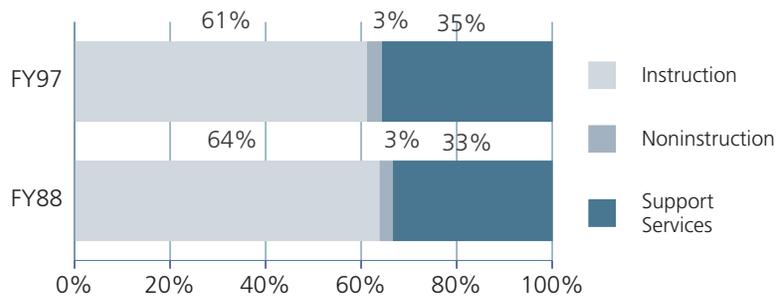


Figure 11
Current expenditures by function



FY88	FY97	Revenues and expenditures (in current dollars)
\$7,250,514	\$12,376,750	Revenues (in thousands of dollars)
\$6,634	\$10,244	Revenue per pupil in membership
\$6,621,860	\$11,771,941	Current expenditures (in thousands of dollars)
\$6,059	\$9,744	Current expenditure per pupil in membership