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Highlights

- Approximately 4.8 million students were enrolled in the Nation's private elementary and secondary schools in the fall of 1989. Fifty-five percent of these students attended Catholic schools. Thirty-two percent attended other religiously affiliated schools, and 13 percent attended non-sectarian schools (see table 1).
- Most private school students were enrolled in Catholic schools, a total of about 2.6 million, compared with 1.5 million students enrolled in other religious schools and 639,500 students enrolled in non-sectarian schools (tables 1 and 4).
- Most private school students were enrolled at the elementary level, with 2.8 million private school students in elementary schools, compared with 842,000 students in secondary schools and 1.2 million students in combined schools (table 1).
- Our Nation's private school students were taught by approximately 332,000 full-time-equivalent (FTE) teachers; 44 percent of these educators worked in Catholic schools, 36 percent in other religiously affiliated schools, and 21 percent in non-sectarian schools (table 1).
- Of the total number of private school teachers, 80 percent worked full-time, 9 percent worked half-time, 4 percent worked one-fourth time, and the other 6 percent were employed three-fourths or less than one-fourth time (table 13).
- Most of the Nation's 26,712 private schools were small: more than half the schools have enrollments of less than 150 students (table 1).
- Secondary schools tended to be larger than elementary and combined schools: 65 percent of secondary schools had more than 150 students enrolled, while 46 percent of elementary schools and 34 percent of combined schools had more than 150 students (table 3).
- Fifty-two percent of all private secondary schools were Catholic, compared with 27 percent of other religious schools and 21 percent of non-sectarian schools (table 3).
- Twenty-one percent of Catholic schools had enrollments of less than 150 students. Seventy-four percent of schools described as "other religious" had enrollments of less than 150; similarly 75 percent of non-sectarian schools had enrollments of less than 150 students (table 12).
- More than 80 percent of the 26,712 private schools had some religious orientation. One-third were Catholic, and about half had some other religious orientation (table 1).

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Introduction

This report on the private school universe presents data on schools with grades kindergarten through twelve by school size, school level, religious orientation, geographical region, and program emphasis. The numbers of students and teachers are reported in the same categories. The number of students is also reported by grade level and religious orientation.

The Private School Universe Survey (PSS) is designed to collect data from all private schools in the 50 states and the District of Columbia. This survey, conducted in 1989-90 by the U.S. Bureau of the Census for the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), is the data source for this report. To obtain a more accurate count of the total number of elementary and secondary private schools, a dual frame approach is used in the PSS: a universe list of previously identified private schools and an area search to identify additional schools.

The data were collected in two parts: first, from a subsample of schools, early in the school year, to give early estimates of key statistics for private schools; and second, from all other schools not included in the early estimates sample. Both sets of data are combined to form the data for the Private School Universe Survey. The survey design is described in the Technical Notes section of the report, pages 19-41.

Definitions

Affiliated Schools -- Schools which have a formal or recognized association with an established religious group or denomination.

Combined schools -- Schools serving students in grades that range below grade six and above grade eight, or of students that are all in ungraded classes.

Elementary schools -- Schools serving students in grades kindergarten through six, students in grades seven and eight when the remainder of the students in the school are in the lower grades or are ungraded, and students in ungraded classes in schools with no grade higher than the eighth grade.

Private Schools -- Institutions which provide educational services for any of grades 1-12, have one or more teachers to give instruction, are not administered by a public agency, and are not operated in a private home.

Schools -- Institutions for instruction which have 1) a minimum school day of 4 hours per day, 2) a minimum of 160 days per year, 3) at least a first grade or higher, and 4) one or more teachers.

Secondary schools -- Composed of students in grades 9 through 12, students in grades 7 and 8 when the remainder of the students in the school are in the higher grades or are ungraded, and students in ungraded classes in schools with no grade lower than grade 7.

Teachers -- Any full-time or part-time teacher whose school reported that their primary assignment was teaching in any of grades K-12.

Typology -- Categories (three major with three sub-categories each) into which private schools are divided: 1) Catholic - parish, diocesan, private; 2) Other religious - affiliated with a national denomination, affiliated with a conservative Christian school association, unaffiliated; 3) Non-sectarian - regular, special program emphasis, special education (Marilyn M. McMillen and Peter Benson, Technical Report, Diversity of Private Schools [Washington, D.C.: 1991]).

Unaffiliated schools -- Religious schools which do not have a formal association with any organized religious group or association.

Table 1.--Number and percent of private schools, students, and FTE teachers, by selected characteristics: United States, 1989-90

	Scho	ools	Enroll	ment	FTE teach	
Characteristics	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	26,712	100.0	4,838,497	100.0	331,533	100.0
Private school type						
Catholic	9,051	33.9	2,637,473	54.5	144,021	43.4
Parochial	5,809	21.7	1,557,282	32.2	78,964	23.8
Diocesan	2,316	8.7	736,363	15.2	40,384	12.2
Private	925	3.5	343,828	7.1	24,673	7.4
Other religious	12,870	48.2	1,561,491	32.3	118,086	35.6
Conservative Christian	4,063	15.2	528,236	10.9	38,811	11.7
Affiliated	4,083	15.3	621,194	12.8	45,726	13.8
Unaffiliated	4,724	17.7	412,060	8.5	33,550	10.1
Non-sectarian	4,791	17.9	639,533	13.2	69,425	20.9
Regular	2,007	7.5	387,694	8.0	38,334	11.6
Special emphasis	1,874	7.0	184,961	3.8	19,493	5.9
Special education	910	3.4	c66,878	1.4	11,599	3.5
School level	4					
Elementary	16,514	61.8	2,764,118	57.1	158,025	47.7
Secondary Combined	2,490	9.3	842,040	17.4	62,971	19.0
	7,707	28.9	1,232,339	25.5	110,537	33.3
Program emphasis Regular elementary,						
secondary	19,525	73.1	3,909,100	80.8	251,136	75.7
Montessori	914	3.4	52,356	1.1	4,157	1.3
Special program			,		.,	
emphasis	3,071	11.5	541,112	11.2	41,838	12.6
Special education	1,059	4.0	75,219	1.6	13,226	4.0
Vocational/technical		0.1		0.1		0.1
Alternative	1,176	4.4	88,417	1.8	8,304	2.5
Other	768	2.9	124,747	2.6	9,841	3.0
Not reported	188	0.7	44,818	0.9	2,861	0.9
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Less than 150	14,933	55.9	894,384	18.5	83,830	25.3
150 to 299	6,996	26.2	1,507,672	31.2	96,210	29.0
300 to 499 500 to 749	2,996 1,196	11.2 4.5	1,149,386	23.8	70,799	21.4
750 or more	550	2.1	717,757 569,297	14.8 11.8	44,804 35,480	13.5 10.7
Not reported	40	0.2	0	0.0	410	0.1
tegion						
Northeast	6,136	23.0	1,345,580	27.8	95,453	28.8
Midwest	8,047	30.1	1,368,061	28.3	84,697	25.5
South	7,171	26.8	1,280,450	26.5	95,606	28.8
West	5,358	20.1	844,405	17.5	55,777	16.8

⁻⁻Too few sample cases for a reliable estimate.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{NOTE}}\xspace$. Details may not add to totals due to rounding or missing values in cells with too few sample cases.

 ${\tt SOURCE:}\ {\tt U.S.}\ {\tt Department}\ {\tt of}\ {\tt Education},\ {\tt National}\ {\tt Center}\ {\tt for}\ {\tt Education}\ {\tt Statistics},$ ${\tt Private}\ {\tt Schools}\ {\tt Survey},\ {\tt 1989-90}.$

Table 2.--Number and percent of private schools, students, and FTE teachers, by religious and non-sectarian category: United States, 1989-90

	Sch	iools	Enroll	ment	FTE teach	
Category	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	26,712	100.0	4,838,497	100.0	331,533	100.0
Religious orientation						
Amish	*802	*3.0	*21,163	*0.4	*1,227	*0.4
Assembly of God	531	2.0	54,265	1.1	3,956	1.2
Baptist	2,221	8.3	279,452	5.8	20,765	6.3
Calvinist	152	0.6	42,607	0.9	2,452	0.7
Christian (unspecified)	2,449	9.2	329,044	6.8	24,775	7.5
Church of Christ	190	0.7	38,413	0.8	2,672	0.8
Church of God	85	0.3	8,486	0.2	650	0.2
Episcopal	358	1.3	83,314	1.7	8,413	2.5
Friends	69	0.3	16,846	0.3	1,901	0.6
Jewish	613	2.3	153,722	3.2	13,807	4.2
Lutheran	1,680	6.3	211,158	4.4	11,972	3.6
Mennonite	701	2.6	38,085	0.8	*2,843	0.9
Methodist	*214	*0.8	22,285	0.5	1,809	0.5
Pentecostal	338	1.3	24,128	0.5	2,124	0.6
Presbyterian	123	0.5	24,197	0.5	1,940	0.6
Roman Catholic	9,051	33.9	2,637,473	54.5	144,021	43.4
Seventh-Day Adventist	1,293	4.8	77,242	1.6	5,301	1.6
Religious (unspecified)	1,051	3.9	137,084	2.8	11,478	3.5
Non-sectarian						
Exceptional children	421	1.6	34,974	0.7	6,222	1.9
Montessori	583	2.2	39,317	0.8	3,285	1.0
Other non-sectarian	3,787	14.2	565,241	11.7	59,918	18.1

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Table 3.--Number and percent of private schools by school level, by selected characteristics: United States, 1989-90

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Characteristics	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Total	26,712	100.0	16,514	100.0	2,490	100.0	7,707	100.0	
Private school type									
Catholic Parochial Diocesan Private	9,051 5,809 2,316 925	33.9 21.7 8.7 3.5	7,462 5,447 1,718 297	45.2 33.0 10.4 1.8	1,292 277 541 474	51.9 11.1 21.7 19.0	296 85 57 154	3.8 1.1 0.7 2.0	
Other religious Conservative Christian Affiliated Unaffiliated	12,870 4,063 4,083 4,724	48.2 15.2 15.3 17.7	6,865 1,190 2,959 2,715	41.6 7.2 17.9 16.4	676 109 347 221	27.1 4.4 13.9 8.9	5,329 2,763 777 1,788	69.1 35.9 10.1 23.2	
Non-sectarian Regular Special emphasis Special education	4,791 2,007 1,874 910	17.9 7.5 7.0 3.4	2,187 1,044 1,030 113	13.2 6.3 6.2 0.7	522 192 211 119	21.0 7.7 8.5 4.8	2,082 770 633 679	27.0 10.0 8.2 8.8	
Program emphasis Regular elementary, secondary Montessori	19,525 914	73.1 3.4	13,134 731	79.5 4.4	1,640	65.8	4,751 176	61.6 2.3	
Special program emphasis Special education Vocational/technical Alternative Other Not reported	3,071 1,059 1,176 768 188	11.5 4.0 0.1 4.4 2.9 0.7	1,692 135 + 288 423 110	10.2 0.8 + 1.7 2.6 0.7	443 129 128 107 29	17.8 5.2 0.4 5.1 4.3 1.2	936 795 760 238 49	12.1 10.3 # 9.9 3.1 0.6	
Size Less than 150 150 to 299 300 to 499 500 to 749 750 or more Not reported	14,933 6,996 2,996 1,196 550 40	55.9 26.2 11.2 4.5 2.1 0.2	8,884 5,090 1,907 537 85 11	53.8 30.8 11.5 3.3 0.5	861 585 463 317 262	34.6 23.5 18.6 12.7 10.5	5,188 1,321 627 342 203 27	67.3 17.1 8.1 4.4 2.6 0.3	
Region Northeast Midwest South West	6,136 8,047 7,171 5,358	23.0 30.1 26.8 20.1	3,967 5,526 3,795 3,225	24.0 33.5 23.0 19.5	810 670 498 512	32.5 26.9 20.0 20.5	1,359 1,850 2,878 1,621	17.6 24.0 37.3 21.0	

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Table 4.--Number and percent of private school students by school level, by selected characteristics: United States, 1989-90

	Tota	ι	Elemen	tary	Secon	dary	Combin	ed
Characteristics	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	4,838,497	100.0	2,764,118	100.0	842,040	100.0	1,232,339	100.0
Private school type								
Catholic Parochial Diocesan Private	2,637,473 1,557,282 736,363 343,828	54.5 32.2 15.2 7.1	1,914,039 1,418,023 436,465 59,551	69.2 51.3 15.8 2.2	635,000 113,054 286,633 235,312	75.4 13.4 34.0 27.9	88,434 26,204 13,264 48,965	2.1 1.1
Other religious Conservative Christian Affiliated Unaffiliated	1,561,491 528,236 621,194 412,060	32.3 10.9 12.8 8.5	661,707 151,691 349,600 160,417	23.9 5.5 12.6 5.8	123,236 17,942 74,908 30,387	14.6 2.1 8.9 3.6	776,547 358,604 196,686 221,257	29.1 16.0
Non-sectarian Regular Special emphasis Special education	639,533 387,694 184,961 66,878	13.2 8.0 3.8 1.4	188,372 115,607 67,967 4,798	6.8 4.2 2.5 0.2	83,804 49,360 28,109 6,334	10.0 5.9 3.3 0.8	367,358 222,727 88,885 55,746	29.8 18.1 7.2 4.5
Program emphasis Regular elementary, secondary Montessori	3,909,100 52,356	80.8 1.1	2,371,100 38,232	85.8 1.4	636,243	75.6 	901,758 14,051	73.2 1.1
Special program emphasis Special education Vocational/technical Alternative Other Not reported	541,112 75,219 88,417 124,747 44,818	11.2 1.6 0.1 1.8 2.6 0.9	250,954 5,804 + 23,256 53,083 21,690	9.1 0.2 + 0.8 1.9 0.8	135,755 5,965 16,403 32,762 13,083	16.1 0.7 0.2 1.9 3.9 1.6	154,403 63,450 48,758 38,903 10,045	12.5 5.1 0.1 4.0 3.2 0.8
Size Less than 150 150 to 299 300 to 499 500 to 749 750 or more Not reported	894,384 1,507,672 1,149,386 717,757 569,297	18.5 31.2 23.8 14.8 11.8 0.0	551,478 1,095,776 726,469 314,039 76,357	20.0 39.6 26.3 11.4 2.8 0.0	60,202 125,830 181,554 194,415 280,039	7.1 14.9 21.6 23.1 33.3 0.0	282,704 286,066 241,364 209,303 212,902 0	22.9 23.2 19.6 17.0 17.3 0.0
Region Northeast Midwest South West	1,345,580 1,368,061 1,280,450 844,405	27.8 28.3 26.5 17.5	803,602 902,865 572,411 485,240	29.1 32.7 20.7 17.6	312,605 239,465 149,343 140,628	37.1 28.4 17.7 16.7	229,373 225,731 558,697 218,538	18.6 18.3 45.3 17.7

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Table 5.--Number and percent of private schools by school level, by religious and non-sectarian category: United States, 1989-90

	Tota	al	Elemer	ntary	Secor	ndary	Combi	ined
Category	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	26,712	100.0	16,514	100.0	2,490	100.0	7,707	100.0
Religious orientation								
Amish	*802	*3.0	*751	*4.5			•-	*0.6
Assembly of God	531	2.0	196	1.2	• •		321	4.2
Baptist	2,221	8.3	554	3.4	50	2.0	1,618	21.0
Calvinist	152	0.6	87	0.5	26	1.0	39	0.5
Christian (unspecified)	2,449	9.2	990	6.0	93	3.7	1,366	17.7
Church of Christ	190	0.7	64	0.4		0.5	*115	*1.5
Church of God	85	0.3	26	0.2		***	57	0.7
Episcopal	358	1.3	237	1.4	50	2.0	70	0.9
Friends	69	0.3	38	0.2		0.4	21	0.3
Jewish	613	2.3	348	2.1	125	5.0	141	1.8
Lutheran	1,680	6.3	1,559	9.4	84	3.4	38	0.5
Mennonite	701	2.6	*446	*2.7		*1.7	*213	*2.8
Methodist	*214	*0.8	*44	*0.3		0.2	*164	*2.1
Pentecostal	338	1.3	38	0.2			279	3.6
Presbyterian	123	0.5	*80	*0.5		0.4	33	0.4
Roman Catholic	9,051	33.9	7,462	45.2	1,292	51.9	296	3.8
Seventh-Day Adventist	1,293	4.8	934	5.7	61	2.4	299	3.9
Religious (unspecified)	1,051	3.9	474	2.9	*68	*2.7	509	6.6
Non-sectarian								
Exceptional children	421	1.6	46	0.3	35	1.4	340	4.4
Montessori	583	2.2	482	2.9	0	0.0	100	1.3
Other non-sectarian	3,787	14.2	1,658	10.0	487	19.6	1,642	21.3

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Table 6.--Number and percent of private school students by school level, by religious and non-sectarian category: United States, 1989-90

	Tot	al	Eleme	ntary	Seco	ndary	Combined		
Category	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Total	4,838,497	100.0	2,764,118	100.0	842,040	100.0	1,232,339	100.0	
Religious orientation									
Amish	*21,163	*0.4	*19,789	*0.7				*0.1	
Assembly of God	54,265	1.1	22,614	0.8			30,015	2.4	
Baptist	279,452	5.8	59,592	2.2	8,912	1.1	210,948	17.1	
Calvinist	42,607	0.9	19,060	0.7	8,839	1.0	14,708	1.2	
Christian (unspecified)	329,044	6.8	98,883	3.6	18,130	2.2	212,031	17.2	
Church of Christ	38,413	0.8	7,117	0.3		0.4	28,302	2.3	
Church of God	8,486	0.2	3,341	0.1			5,086	0.4	
Episcopal	83,314	1.7	36,618	1.3	12,686	1.5	34,010	2.8	
Friends	16,846	0.3	3,378	0.1		0.1	12,282	1.0	
Jewish	153,722	3.2	76,159	2.8	17,666	2.1	59,897	4.9	
Lutheran	211,158	4.4	184,229	6.7	20,206	2.4	6,723	0.5	
Mennonite	38,085	0.8	18,951	0.7	·-	*0.9	*11,868	*1.0	
Methodist	22,285	0.5	*9,147	*0.3		0.2	11,756	1.0	
Pentecostal	24,128	0.5	4,266	0.2			19,455	1.6	
Presbyterian	24,197	0.5	*12,086	*0.4		0.2	10,181	0.8	
Roman Catholic	2,637,473	54.5	1,914,039	69.2	635,000	75.4	88,434	7.2	
Seventh-Day Adventist	77,242	1.6	32,911	1.2	11,134	1.3	33,196	2.7	
Religious (unspecified)	137,084	2.8	53,565	1.9	8,758	1.0	74,761	6.1	
Non-sectarian									
Exceptional children	34,974	0.7	3,958	0.1	2,740	0.3	28,277	2.3	
Montessori	39,317	0.8	28,969	1.0	0	0.0	10,348	0.8	
Other non-sectarian	565,241	11.7	155,445	5.6	81,064	9.6	328,733	26.7	

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Group membership was sorted using the order displayed in the table; schools reporting membership in more than one group were assigned to the first group in the table. Cases classified as Exceptional children and Montessori include those schools reporting no religious orientation but membership in a relevant special interest association.

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Table 7.--Percentage distribution of private schools by program emphasis, by religious and non-sectarian category: United States, 1989-90

Category	Total	Regular elementary secondary	Montessori	Special programs	Special education	Alternative	Other	Not reported
Religious orientation	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			**	2.00			
Amish	100.0	86.4		*6.9	0.0	*0.4	*6.0	*0.3
Assembly of God	100.0	74.0	0.0	*8.6	0.0	*15.8	1.3	0.2
Baptist	100.0	79.2		11.2		*5.9	2.9	0.7
Calvinist	100.0	87.8	0.0	*8.2				0.7
Christian (unspecified)	100.0	71.9	0.6	15.4	0.7	*7.9	2.8	0.7
Church of Christ	100.0	91.9	 .	2.8	0.0		3.2	0.0
Church of God	100.0	74.7	0.0	6.3	0.0	9.6		0.0
Episcopal	100.0	77.5	*7.2	7.4		2.0	3.9	1.5
Friends	100.0	70.7	0.0	12.1	4.7	11.0		0.0
Jewish	100.0	55.7	0.0	34.9	0.7	3.0	5.0	0.7
Lutheran	100.0	88.1		8.6	0.4	0.9	1.5	0.5
Mennonite	100.0	66.9	0.0	*26.1		*5.3	*1.3	*0.3
Methodist	100.0	*64.3	0.0	*4.5	*1.4	*28.7		0.0
Pentecostal	100.0	68.7	0.0	*15.7	0.0	*12.3	3.0	0.3
Presbyterian	100.0	58.9	0.0	*29.6		6.6	3.3	0.0
Roman Catholic	100.0	86.7	0.3	8.4	1.0	0.6	2.1	0.9
Seventh-Day Adventist	100.0	82.4	0.0	13.6	0.0	1.5	1.9	0.6
Religious (unspecified)	100.0	63.0	*5.2	12.2	4.6	*8.1	*5.8	1.0
Non-sectarian								
Exceptional children	100.0	*3.2	0.7	9.1	81.2	5.8	0.0	0.0
Montessori	100.0	4.1	94.8	0.7		0.0	0.0	0.0
Other non-sectarian	100.0	49.5	6.1	14.1	14.2	9.9	5.5	0.7

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For this table the categories "Vocational/technical" and "Other" were combined into the category entitled "Other."

Group membership was sorted using the order displayed in the table; schools reporting membership in more than one group were assigned to the first group in the table. Cases classified as Exceptional children and Montessori include those schools reporting no religious orientation but membership in a relevant special interest association.

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Table 8.--Percentage distribution of private school students by program emphasis, by religious and non-sectarian category: United States, 1989-90

Category	Total	Regular elementary secondary	Montessori	Special programs	Special education	Alternative	Other	Not reported
Religious orientation								
Amish	100.0	83.1		*9.8	0.0	*0.5	*6.1	*0.2
Assembly of God	100.0	87.9	0.0	7.3	0.0	*3.6	1.1	#
Baptist	100.0	84.4		10.8		2.4	1.9	0.4
Calvinist	100.0	88.9	0.0	*8.0				1.0
Christian (unspecified)	100.0	77.4	0.2	15.7	0.3	3.0	*2.4	1.0
Church of Christ	100.0	95.7		1.9	0.0		2.0	0.0
Church of God	100.0	79.1	0.0	4.3	0.0	5.9		0.0
Episcopal	100.0	81.0	*0.9	8.0		3.2	4.3	2.4
Friends	100.0	88.2	0.0	6.5	0.7	4.5		0.0
Jewish	100.0	62.5	0.0	32.0	0.1	1.4	3.6	0.3
Lutheran	100.0	89.3		8.5	0.1	0.5	1.1	0.4
Mennonite	100.0	71.4	0.0	*21.9		*4.6	*1.8	*0.2
Methodist	100.0	83.0	0.0	*4.7	*0.6	*9.8	••	0.0
Pentecostal	100.0	77.5	0.0	12.1	0.0	*7.9	2.4	0.1
Presbyterian	100.0	71.6	0.0	*22.6		1.9	3.7	0.0
Roman Catholic	100.0	86.9	0.1	9.0	0.2	0.6	2.1	1.1
Seventh-Day Adventist	100.0	82.2	0.0	12.5	0.0	1.9	3.3	0.1
Religious (unspecified)	100.0	70.6	*2.6	14.7	3.1	3.7	4.0	1.1
lon-Sectarian								
Exceptional children	100.0	10.0	0.6	7.9	75.8	5.7	0.0	0.0
Montessori	100.0	11.6	85.5	2.1		0.0	0.0	0.0
Other non-sectarian	100.0	64.3	1.9	15.1	6.5	5.4	5.8	1.1

⁻⁻Too few sample cases for a reliable estimate.

#Estimate is less than .1.

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For this table the categories "Vocational/technical" and "Other" were combined into the category entitled "Other."

Group membership was sorted using the order displayed in the table; schools reporting membership in more than one group were assigned to the first group in the table. Cases classified as Exceptional children and Montessori include those schools reporting no religious oreientation but membership in a relevant special interest association.

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Table 9.--Number and percent of private school students by grade level, by private school type: United States, 1989-90

	Grade										
	Kinder	garten	First		Second		Third		Fourth		
Private school type	Number	Percent									
Total	448,761	100.0	462,515	100.0	436,402	100.0	416,727	100.0	399,077	100.0	
Catholic Parochial Diocesan Private	211,226 153,352 48,076 9,798	47.1 34.2 10.7 2.2	245,027 180,002 55,467 9,558	53.0 38.9 12.0 2.1	239,544 176,053 54,223 9,268	54.9 40.3 12.4 2.1	233,460 171,874 52,754 8,832	56.0 41.2 12.7 2.1	227,543 167,185 51,798 8,560	57.0 41.9 13.0 2.1	
Other religious Conservative Christian Affiliated Unaffiliated	172,540 64,896 66,391 41,253	38.4 14.5 14.8 9.2	165,083 58,103 65,141 41,840	35.7 12.6 14.1 9.0	152,077 53,388 61,169 37,520	34.8 12.2 14.0 8.6	142,084 49,350 57,528 35,206	34.1 11.8 13.8 8.4	133,958 46,012 54,654 33,292	33.6 11.5 13.7 8.3	
Non-sectarian Regular Special emphasis Special education	64,995 41,022 23,036 936	14.5 9.1 5.1 0.2	52,405 34,945 16,163 1,297	11.3 7.6 3.5 0.3	44,782 30,502 13,231 1,049	10.3 7.0 3.0 0.2	41,183 28,067 12,000 1,116	9.9 6.7 2.9 0.3	37,576 26,253 10,067 1,256	9.4 6.6 2.5 0.3	

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	Fi	Fifth		th	Seve	enth	Eigl	hth	Nin	h
Private school type	Number	Percent								
Total	379,540	100.0	364,114	100.0	350,579	100.0	330,104	100.0	302,687	100.0
Catholic	218,724	57.6	210,638	57.8	200,415	57.2	189,336	57.4	174,178	57.5
Parochial	160,413	42.3	154,056	42.3	141,712	40.4	132,664	40.2	30,972	10.2
Diocesan	49,505	13.0	47,444	13.0	46,592	13.3	43,752	13.3	75,201	24.8
Private	8,806	2.3	9,138	2.5	12,111	3.5	12,920	3.9	68,005	22.5
Other religious	124,766	32.9	117,088	32.2	113,037	32.2	103,906	31.5	84,402	27.9
Conservative Christian	41,324	10.9	38,719	10.6	37,286	10.6	33,209	10.1	28,662	9.5
Affiliated	51,453	13.6	48,266	13.3	45,883	13.1	42,636	12.9	32,768	10.8
Unaffiliated	31,990	8.4	30,103	8.3	29,869	8.5	28,061	8.5	22,972	7.6
Non-sectarian	36,050	9.5	36,389	10.0	37,127	10.6	36,862	11.2	44,108	14.6
Regular	25,375	6.7	25,617	7.0	25,669	7.3	24,951	7.6	30,245	10.0
Special emphasis	9,247	2.4	8,882	2.4	9,475	2.7	9,583	2.9	10,851	3.6
Special education	1,427	0.4	1,890	0.5	1.983	0.6	2,328	0.7	3,012	1.0

NOTE: All sources and footnotes appear on the second page of Table 9.

Table 9.--Number and percent of private school students by grade level, by private school type: United States, 1989-90 Continued

	Grade									
	Ten	th	Eleve	enth	Twel	lfth	Ungi	raded	Not re	ported
Private school type	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	283,553	100.0	266,626	100.0	272,895	100.0	109,671	100.0	15,247	100.0
Catholic Parochial Dìocesan Private	161,563 28,433 70,320 62,809	57.0 10.0 24.8 22.2	151,934 27,384 66,620 57,930	57.0 10.3 25.0 21.7	156,022 27,827 68,832 59,363	57.2 10.2 25.2 21.8	13,475 4,413 4,097 4,965	12.3 4.0 3.7 4.5	4,389 941 1,681 1,767	28.8 6.2 11.0 11.6
Other religious Conservative Christian Affiliated Unaffiliated	77,823 25,355 31,081 21,387	27.4 8.9 11.0 7.5	71,322 22,028 29,718 19,577	26.7 8.3 11.1 7.3	70,466 21,814 29,140 19,512	25.8 8.0 10.7 7.1	26,385 7,108 4,040 15,236	24.1 6.5 3.7 13.9	6,555 *984 1,328 *4,243	43.0 *6.5 8.7 *27.8
Non-sectarian Regular Special emphasis Special education	44,167 29,970 10,715 3,481	15.6 10.6 3.8 1.2	43,370 29,462 11,000 2,908	16.3 11.0 4.1 1.1	46,407 29,327 14,471 2,609	17.0 10.7 5.3 1.0	69,810 3,769 25,048 40,993	63.7 3.4 22.8 37.4	4,302 2,520 *1,190 593	28.2 16.5 *7.8 3.9

^{*}The coefficient of variation for this estimate is larger than 25 percent. The standard error for this estimate is presented in the corresponding table in appendix A.

NOTE: Details may not add to totals due to rounding.

Kindergarten counts only cover schools that have a first grade or higher.

Table 10.--Number of private school students by program emphasis, by grade level: United States, 1989-90

Grade	Total	Regular elementary secondary	Montessori	Special programs	Special education	Alternative	Other	Not reported
Total	4,838,497	3,909,100	52,356	541,112	75,219	88,417	127,474	44,818
Kindergarten	448,761	370,821	13,774	42,017	959	7,515	10,544	3,131
First	462,515	388,507	7,208	45,444	1,414	6,380	10,060	3,503
Second	436,402	368,979	5,520	42,487	1,187	6,283	8,651	3,296
Third	416,727	353,587	4,815	40,239	1,339	5,655	7,947	3,145
Fourth	399,077	338,782	2,935	39,459	1,435	5,580	7,819	3,066
Fifth	379,540	322,174	2,199	38,128	1,649	4,884	7,353	3,153
Sixth	364,114	308,027	1,489	37,278	2,058	4,695	7,466	3,102
Seventh	350,579	295,351	361	36,620	2,167	5,033	7,842	3,205
Eighth	330,104	275,842	416	35,580	2,591	4,933	7,771	2,970
Ninth	302,687	231,154	•	45,115	3,145	7,491	11,540	4,203
Tenth	283,553	215,846	~ *	42,156	3,383	6,462	11,720	3,948
Eleventh	266,626	202,771		40,047	2,655	6,043	11,287	3,756
Twelfth	272,895	205,217		44,284	2,315	5,929	10,826	4,251
Ungraded	109,671	20,690	12,672	10,600	47,779	11,195	*6,647	88
Not reported	15,247	11,354	*754	1,658	1,142	339	0	0

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For this table the categories "Vocational/technical" and "Other" were combined into the category entitled "Other."

Kindergarten counts only cover schools that have a first grade or higher.

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Table 11.--Number of private schools by program emphasis, by length of school day: United States, 1989-90

Length of school day	Total	Regular elementary secondary	Montessori	Special programs	Special education	Alternative	Other	Not reported
Total schools	26,712	19,525	914	3,071	1,059	1,176	780	188
Number of hours								
Less than 4	122	58		16		15		1
4 to 4.9	*162	*60			21	26		0
5 to 5.9	3,095	2,066	66	300	398	124	115	26
6 to 6.9	16,690	12,429	661	1,822	519	706	436	117
7 or more	6,451	4,770	140	912	97	292	200	40
Not reported	193	142	3	14	*14	12	3	4

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For this table the categories "Vocational/technical" and "Other" were combined into the category entitled "Other."

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Table 12.--Number and percent of private schools by school size, by private school type, school level, and program emphasis: United States, 1989-90

						School s	ize					
Characteristics	Less th	nan 150	150 t	o 299	300 to	499	500 to	749	750 or	more	Not r	eported
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number F	ercent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	14,933	55.9	6,996	26.2	2,996	11.2	1,196	4.5	550	2.1	40	0.2
Private school type											•	
Catholic Parochial Diocesan Private	1,888 1,198 433 258	20.9 20.6 18.7 27.9	4,139 2,860 1,027 252	45.7 49.2 44.4 27.3	1,921 1,253 494 174	21.2 21.6 21.3 18.8	769 404 234 130	8.5 7.0 10.1 14.1	333 94 128 111	3.7 1.6 5.5 12.0	1 1 , 0 0	# 0.0 0.0
Other religious Conservative Christian Affiliated Unaffiliated	9,531 2,858 2,645 4,029	74.1 70.3 64.8 85.3	2,135 781 926 428	16.6 19.2 22.7 9.1	761 301 315 145	5.9 7.4 7.7 3.1	280 82 131 68	2.2 2.0 3.2 1.4	132 30 57 45	1.0 0.7 1.4 1.0	30 12 9 10	0.2 0.3 0.2 0.2
Non-sectarian Regular Special emphasis Special education	3,513 1,161 1,558 794	73.3 57.9 83.1 87.2	722 423 203 *96	15.1 21.1 10.8 *10.6	314 247 57	6.6 12.3 3.0 1.2	147 - 108 35	3.1 5.4 1.9 0.4	85 63 21	1.8 3.2 1.1	9 4 1 4	0.2 0.2 0.1 0.4
School level Elementary Secondary Combined	8,884 861 5,188	53.8 34.6 67.3	5,090 585 1,321	30.8 23.5 17.1	1,907 463 627	11.5 18.6 8.1	537 317 342	3.3 12.7 4.4	85 262 203	0.5 10.5 2.6	11 2 27	0.1 0.1 0.3
Program emphasis Regular elementary, secondary Montessori	9,696 859	49.7 94.1	5,822 49	29.8 5.4	2,550	13.1 0.5	987 	5.1	444 0	2.3	28 0	0.1
Special program emphasis Special education Vocational/technical Alternative Other Not reported	1,828 941 1,037 479 86	59.5 88.9 50.0 88.1 62.4 45.9	710 *101 91 172 50	23.1 *9.6 7.7 22.4 26.5	308 28 64 29	10.0 1.1 2.4 8.4 15.4	148 32 14	4.8 24.9 0.8 4.2 7.2	72 0 0 16 8	2.3 0.0 0.0 0.9 2.1 4.4	5 2 0 1 4	0.1 0.2 0.0 0.1 0.5 0.6

⁻⁻Too few sample cases for a reliable estimate.

#Estimate is less than .1.

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Table 13.--Number and percent of private school teachers (headcount) by work status, by selected characteristics: United States, 1989-90

Characteristics	Tot	al	Full	time	3/4 ti less th		1/2 ti less th	me but an 3/4	1/4 ti less th		Less th	an 1/4
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	364,354	100.0	292,733	80.3	12,877	3.5	32,288	8.9	14,656	4.0	11,800	3.2
Private school type												
Catholic Parochial Diocesan Private	155,065 85,171 43,216 26,678	100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0	130,683 71,440 37,004 22,239	84.3 83.9 85.6 83.4	4,527 2,545 1,001 981	2.9 3.0 2.3 3.7	10,818 6,191 2,869 1,758	7.0 7.3 6.6 6.6	5,502 3,090 1,390 1,021	3.5 3.6 3.2 3.8	3,535 1,905 952 678	2.3 2.2 2.2 2.5
Other religious Conservative Christian Affiliated Unaffiliated	133,741 43,823 52,087 37,831	100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0	100,421 33,856 37,679 28,886	75.1 77.3 72.3 76.4	5,366 1,426 2,363 1,577	4.0 3.3 4.5 4.2	15,284 4,120 7,397 3,767	11.4 9.4 14.2 10.0	6,513 2,265 2,767 1,481	4.9 5.2 5.3 3.9	6,157 2,156 1,881 *2,120	4.6 4.9 3.6 5.6
Non-sectarian Regular Special emphasis Special education	75,548 41,534 21,835 12,179	100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0	61,630 34,180 16,782 10,668	81.6 82.3 76.9 87.6	2,984 1,568 969 448	3.9 3.8 4.4 3.7	6,186 3,296 2,253 636	8.2 7.9 10.3 5.2	2,641 1,474 905 *262	3.5 3.5 4.1 *2.1	2,108 1,016 926 166	2.8 2.4 4.2 1.4
School level Elementary Secondary Combined	174,303 68,487 121,563	100.0 100.0 100.0	138,995 56,204 97,534	79.7 82.1 80.2	6,138 2,450 4,289	3.5 3.6 3.5	16,230 5,060 10,998	9.3 7.4 9.0	7,030 2,977 4,649	4.0 4.3 3.8	5,911 1,796 4,093	3.4 2.6 3.4
Program emphasis Regular elementary, secondary Montessori	275,648 4,798	100.0 100.0	222,555 3,509	80.7 73.1	8,873 250	3.2 5.2	24,426 482	8.9 10.0	11,160 232	4.0 4.8	8,634 *325	3.1 *6.8
Special program emphasis Special education Vocational/technical Alternative Other Not reported	46,421 13,856 186 9,585 10,727 3,134	100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0	36,111 12,238 7,018 8,641 2,517	77.8 88.3 78.1 73.2 80.6 80.3	2,124 502 496 523 98	4.6 3.6 6.0 5.2 4.9 3.1	4,623 624 943 863 303	10.0 4.5 12.6 9.8 8.0 9.7	1,995 *297 439 416 114	4.3 *2.1 1.7 4.6 3.9 3.6	1,567 194 689 285 102	3.4 1.4 1.7 7.2 2.7 3.3
Size Less than 150 150 to 299 300 to 499 500 to 749 750 or more Not reported	96,832 106,393 75,785 47,728 37,177 439	100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0	70,981 84,197 63,583 40,683 32,944 345	73.3 79.1 83.9 85.2 88.6 78.7	3,699 3,931 2,661 1,510 1,017	3.8 3.7 3.5 3.2 2.7 13.4	10,588 9,973 5,913 3,630 2,176 8	10.9 9.4 7.8 7.6 5.9 1.7	5,604 4,978 2,259 1,167 627 21	5.8 4.7 3.0 2.4 1.7 4.7	5,959 3,314 1,369 737 414 6	6.2 3.1 1.8 1.5 1.1
Region Northeast Midwest South West	104,659 93,685 104,015 61,995	100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0	83,660 75,003 85,708 48,362	79.9 80.1 82.4 78.0	4,452 2,712 3,206 2,507	4.3 2.9 3.1 4.0	9,103 8,579 8,445 6,160	8.7 9.2 8.1 9.9	4,401 3,840 3,633 2,782	4.2 4.1 3.5 4.5	3,043 3,550 3,025 2,183	2.9 3.8 2.9 3.5

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SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Private Schools Survey, 1989-90.

Table 14.--Number of private schools, students, and teachers, by private school association membership: United States, 1989-90

Association	Number of schools	Students	Teachers
Accelerated Christian Education	1,168	55,203	5,798
Alternative School Network	47	3,875	400
American Association of Christian Schools	1,142	153,498	11,606
American Montessori Society	439	40,060	3,254
Other Montessori Associations	384	26,373	2,202
Association of Christian Schools International	2,143	346,722	24,255
Association of Military Colleges and Schools	21	5,311	529
Association of Evangelical Lutheran Churches	16	1,938	121
Bilingual School Association			
hristian Schools International	353	86,014	5,344
ouncil of Bilingual Education			
Other Association of Bilingual Education			
Council for Exceptional Children	332	37,015	5,425
arly Childhood Education Assoc.	526	113,764	7,597
other Early Childhood Education Assoc.	352	60,021	4,491
uropean Council for International Schools			
other Association for International Schools	32	6,116	639
vangelical Lutheran Church in America	107	16,974	1,017
vangelical Lutheran Church Wisconsin Synod	289	29,761	1,637
riends Council on Education	53	15,611	1,776
eneral Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists	708	47,603	3,169
esuit Secondary Education Association	42	32,800	2,164
ocal State or Regional Independent School Association	1,883	573,521	50,462

NOTE: All sources and footnotes appear on the second page of Table 14.

Table 14.--Number of private schools, students, and teachers, by private school association membership: United States, 1989-90 Continued

	Number of	<u> </u>	
Association	schools	Students 	Teachers
Local State or Regional Association of Religious Private Schools	1,200	292,983	19,362
Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod	1,017	143,678	8,014
National Association of Episcopal Schools	245	65,150	6,524
National Association of Independent Schools	1,238	427,059	46,309
National Association of Laboratory Schools			
National Association of Private Schools for Exceptional Children	253	21,972	3,963
Other Association of Private Schools for Exceptional Children	215	19,490	3,309
National Catholic Educational Association	7,773	2,298,558	124,524
National Center for Neighborhood Enterprise			
National Coalition of Alternative Community Schools	40	2,374	248
National Federation of Church Schools			
National Independent Private School Association	249	50,539	4,850
National Society of Hebrew Day Schools	205	55,819	5,026
Oral Roberts Educational Fellowship	100	16,995	1,229
Solomon Schechter Day Schools	58	12,996	1,388
Other Christian school association	473	82,804	5,739
Other Jewish school association	248	66,705	6,038
Other non-religious school association	2,107	536,378	42,418
Other religious school association	1,564	311,485	20,220
lot reported	6,945	636,027	48,819

⁻⁻Too few sample cases for a reliable estimate.

NOTE: Private schools may belong to more than one association.

Technical Notes: Private School Universe System

Background

Private school data have been collected by the U.S. Department of Education since 1890. Until 1930-31, when private and parochial elementary schools were added, data were collected for secondary schools only. When a report on elementary and secondary schools was released for 1940-41, approximately 5,000 schools were estimated missing from the 10,967 count for private and parochial elementary and secondary schools.¹ Private school estimates since that time have probably also been undercounts.

NCES has continued its effort to obtain a more accurate count of the total number of elementary and secondary private schools by using a number of different methods to improve national estimates of private schools. The Center first used a dual frame approach (described in the next section of these notes) to improve the universe count of private schools in 1983. Another survey, Private Schools and Private School Teachers: Final Report of the 1985-86 Private School Study, was conducted by Westat, Inc. The 1989-90 and the 1991-92 private school surveys were conducted by the Bureau of the Census for NCES. Private school sample surveys were also conducted in 1987-88 and 1990-91 as part of the Schools and Staffing Survey (SASS) (Janice Ancarrow and Elizabeth Gerald, E.D. Tabs Comparisons of Public and Private Schools, 1987-88 (Washington, D.C.: 1990)).

At a 1988 meeting with private school associations, NCES introduced a proposal to develop a Private School Data Collection System. This data collection system, of which the Private School Universe Survey is a key component, is a system designed to 1) build an NCES universe frame of private schools of sufficient accuracy and completeness to serve as a sampling frame for NCES sample surveys of private schools; and 2) generate annual data on the total number of private schools, teachers, and students. In order to achieve these purposes, two major components were implemented: list building for the universe and data collection. An Interagency Agreement with the Bureau of the Census was developed in 1987, and it has conducted all major aspects of the survey since that time.

Private School Frames

The list building component was the primary means for improving coverage of private schools. Three major sources were used to build the universe list: commercial lists, private school association lists, and the area search list. To capture schools that might be overlooked in the list building component, an area frame component was also included. The combination of the universe list and additional schools identified in the area search comprised schools included in the 1989-90 Private School Universe Survey.

¹U.S. Office of Education, Federal Security Agency, Statistics of Nonpublic Elementary and Secondary Schools 1940-41, Biennial Survey of Education in the United States 1940-42 (Washington, D.C.: 1945).

List Frame

As stated earlier, NCES has used a dual frame approach in surveying private schools since 1983.² A commercial list from Quality Education Data (QED) served as the base list for the private school universe in 1987 and 1989. The list is compiled from handbooks, annual directories, and other materials which list private schools. The QED identifies private schools in all 50 states. It describes each school by address, phone number, grade level, enrollment, and number of teachers. This list is used primarily by commercial companies for marketing books, supplies, and other educational material. NCES checked all schools on the QED file to determine their eligibility for inclusion on the list.³ Many of the schools on the QED base list did not meet the criteria and were eliminated, leaving approximately 23,000 private schools on the base list.

To improve coverage of private schools, NCES requested and collected membership lists from 20 private school associations and denominations. Schools on private school membership lists were compared to the base list. Any school on an association or denomination list which did not match a school on the base list was added to the NCES private school universe list. Seventeen associations and denominations responded to the NCES request in 1987, and three additional associations responded in 1989. As a result of these efforts, 1,261 schools were added in 1987, and 866 schools were added in 1989 for a total of 24,727 schools on the NCES private school universe list.

Area Frame

Additional schools were identified through an area search of randomly selected primary sampling units (PSUs).⁴ The first NCES area search for private schools was conducted in 1983, and this method has been used to increase coverage in private school surveys since that time. The 1983

- 1. Minimum length of school day must be four hours;
- 2. Minimum length of school year must be 160 days;
- 3. School must have at least a first grade or higher;
- 4. School must be privately administered; and
- 5. Instruction must not be exclusively provided in a private home.

⁴Each PSU consists of a single county or independent city or cluster of geographically contiguous areas defined so that each PSU has a minimum population of 20,000 according to the 1988 projected population. To avoid having PSUs covering too large a geographic area, some PSUs had less than 20,000 in population. Counties of Alaska were excluded because of size and density. The eight certainty PSUs were also excluded from this sampling operation.

²Norman D. Beller, *Private Elementary and Secondary Education, 1983 Enrollment, Teachers, and Schools* (Washington, D.C.: 1984).

³The NCES criteria for inclusion on the list are:

and the 1985 private school surveys and the private school component of the 1987-88 Schools and Staffing Survey used samples selected from the same set of 75 PSUs.⁵

The 1989 PSS area frame sample consisted of 123 PSUs from two sets of sample PSUs. The first set is a subsample of 60 PSUs selected from the 75 PSUs in the earlier private school surveys; the second set of 64 sample PSUs was selected independently of the 75 PSUs in the earlier sample. One PSU in the sample of 64 was also drawn in the first sample of 60 PSUs, thus resulting in a total of 123 PSUs. The total number of PSUs in the U.S. was used in drawing the second set of PSUs. This design was intended to improve the reliability of estimates of change.

Sample Design

The 60 sample PSUs, subsetted from the 75 PSUs used in earlier studies, included 8 certainty PSUs. The remaining 52 PSUs were systematically selected with equal probability from the 67 remaining noncertainty PSUs.

An additional 64 PSUs were selected independently of the original 75 PSUs from the total number of PSUs in the United States. To avoid having PSUs covering too large a geographic area, some PSUs had less than 20,000 in population. Counties of Alaska were excluded.

The 1989 strata were defined as: 1) census region (4 levels: Northeast, Midwest, South, West); 2) metro/nonmetro status (2 levels); and 3) whether or not each PSU's private school enrollment exceeded the median enrollment of the other PSUs in the same census region/metro status strata (2 levels).

A minimum of two PSUs was allocated to each of the 16 strata (32 PSUs). Thirty-two additional PSUs were allocated to the 16 strata in a manner that equalized the sampling rates across the strata.

The PSUs were selected as a systematic sample with probability proportionate to the square root of the 1988 projected PSU population. Since one PSU was selected for both sets of samples, its weight was adjusted to appropriately reflect the duplication.

Within each of the 123 PSUs, the Census Bureau attempted to find all eligible private schools (i.e., schools which met criteria stated in footnote No. 3 on page 21). An area canvas was not attempted. However, regional field staff created the frame by using such sources as yellow pages, non-Roman Catholic religious institutions, local education agencies, chambers of commerce, and local government offices. Roman Catholic religious institutions were not contacted because their lists are usually up to date. Once these lists were constructed, they were matched with the NCES private school universe list from the list frame. Schools that did not match the list were contacted to verify their eligibility.

⁵In 1983, 75 PSUs were selected from a frame of 2,497 PSUs. They were randomly selected with probabilities proportional to the square root of the population in the area. Eight PSUs with populations greater than 1,700,000 were included in the sample with certainty.

Private School Universe								
Source	Unweighted	Weighted						
Out of scope	4,279	0						
List Frame	20,586	20,586						
Area Frame	923	6,126						
Total	25,788	26,712						

Data Collection

The data collection phase was designed to achieve two objectives: first, to provide estimates early in the school year and second, to establish and maintain a universe of private schools. To meet the first of these objectives, the data for the private school universe were collected in two phases. The early estimates (EE) phase, includes a nationally representative sample of schools designed for reporting key statistics on private schools by the end of the calendar year. The second phase includes the remainder of the universe. Identical information is collected in both phases although collection procedures differ.

The 1989 private school universe totaled 25,788 schools of which 1,169 schools comprised the Early Estimates sample. Data from the early estimates phase were collected by telephone between October 2 and October 22, 1989, after an advance questionnaire had been mailed to all schools on September 22, 1989.

Data from the remaining universe schools were collected by questionnaires mailed to schools. The initial mailout was October 6, 1989, and 44 percent responded by October 27, 1989. On November 1, 1989, questionnaires were mailed a second time to schools which had not responded. An additional 23 percent of the schools responded after the second mailout for a total of 67 percent of the schools which returned their questionnaires by mail. If schools did not respond to the second mailout by November 28, 1989, follow-up interviews were conducted using a Computer Assisted Telephone Interview (CATI). Seven thousand six hundred cases were included in the telephone interviews. In 300 cases, personal visits were made because telephones were not available for interviews. Data collection was completed in February of 1990. Forms were received from 25,039 of the 25,788 universe schools, including the Early Estimates sample. Four thousand two hundred seventy-nine cases were considered out-of-scope; 743 cases were non-interviews. This resulted in 20,766 interviews and a 97 percent response rate. After weighting the list and area components (see weighting section) of the PSS, the estimate for the number of private schools in the United States in 1989 was 26,712.

Quality Control and Editing

Several activities were involved in processing the private school data to maintain quality control. Processing activities were handled by the Bureau of the Census in Jeffersonville, Indiana and in Suitland, Maryland at Census headquarters office. Control numbers were assigned to all schools in

the survey by the headquarters office. Questionnaires were mailed from and returned to Jeffersonville where they were checked-in and coded numerically. After a brief clerical edit, the data were keyed for the computer. The data were then subjected to a machine edit. This consisted of a(an):

- 1. Range check to identify data outside the limits of established specifications;
- 2. Consistency edit to compare data in different fields for consistency;
- 3. Skip pattern check to verify that sequential patterns on the questionnaire had been followed;
- 4. Interview status recode (ISR), a program used during the weighting process to assign the final interview status to the form;
- 5. Blanking edit to eliminate out-of-range items from data calculations; and a
- 6. Characteristics check to compare religious affiliation and enrollment figures with 1987 QED data to find major discrepancies which may indicate a school identification problem.

The machine edit was done at the Census Bureau's headquarters office in Washington, D.C.

Item Response Rates

Unweighted response rates for every item except one were larger than 90 percent. The one exception, item 12, "The date the survey was completed," had a response rate of 72 percent. There was a 100 percent response rate for 52 percent of the items, and a 99 percent and 98 percent response rate for an additional 16 and 12 percent of the items, respectively.

Weighting

The survey data from the area frame component were weighted to reflect the sampling rates (probability of selection) in the PSUs. Data from both the list and area frame components were adjusted for total nonresponse and for the partial nonresponse associated with a specific PSS data element. PSS has five separate sets of weights. Each weight is associated with a specific PSS data element. Schools, students, teachers, graduates, and projected graduates have separate weights. When estimates are produced for one of the data elements, the weight associated with that data element should be used. As an example, to produce an estimate of total students, the weight associated with the student data element should be used. Different weights are used for each data element to reflect the differential partial response associated with each data element. A brief description of the components that comprise the PSS weights follows.

 $^{^{6}}$ ISR Codes: 0 = out of scope; 1 = interview, the required items in the form are complete; 2 = noninterview, refusal to answer questions, unable to contact institution, or conditions for code 1 not met.

 W_{iv} , the PSS weight for variable v (schools, teachers, students, projected graduates, or graduates) in the i^{th} school is

$$W_{iv} = BW_i \times NR_c \times NR_{cv}$$

where:

BW_i is the inverse of the selection probability for school i (BW_i = 1, for list frame schools);

 NR_c total nonresponse is the weighted ratio of the sum of the in-scope schools to the sum of the in-scope responding schools in cell c, using BW_i as the weight; and

NR_{ev} partial nonresponse is the weighted ratio of the sum of the in-scope schools responding for variable v to the sum of the in-scope responding schools in cell c, using BW_i as the weight.

The cells used in NR_c and NR_{cv} were school association (18 groups) by school level (5 groups: elementary, secondary, combined, other, and unknown), for list frame schools (see table A); and school association (3 groups) by school level (3 groups: elementary, secondary, combined), for area frame schools (see table B). If the number of schools in cell c was less than 15 or NR_c was greater than 1.5, then cell c was collapsed. Cells were collapsed within grade level before association cells were collapsed. Cells were collapsed within grade level before association cells were collapsed. Cells were collapsed within grade level before association cells were collapsed.

Imputation

Imputations for item nonresponse were performed when the estimate of interest was not the estimate adjusted for in the partial nonresponse adjustment to the weight. Imputation procedures were applied to three estimates in this report.

In the case of teachers, the partial nonresponse adjustment reflected in the teacher weight was done for the headcount estimate of teachers. However, not all schools reporting a headcount of teachers provided the full-time/part-time distribution that was needed to compute an estimate of full-time-equivalent teachers. Imputations were implemented for this item by assuming like full-time/part-time distributions within school level and private school type (Catholic, other religious, and non-sectarian). These operations resulted in a more accurate estimate of FTE teachers.

In the case of enrollments, the partial nonresponse adjustment in the enrollment weight was based on total enrollment in the school, including nursery and prekindergarten. In order to report a separate estimate for kindergarten through grade 12 enrollment, enrollments in schools were allocated proportionate to the distribution of nursery and prekindergarten teachers to all other teachers.

Finally, a small number of schools in each of the three main categories of private schools did not supply sufficient information to be assigned to one of the three subcategories of these main categories. These schools were distributed proportionately to private school estimates found in the nine category typology for the 1987-88 Schools and Staffing Survey.

Table A: Nonresponse	Adjustment Cell	ls For List Fra	ame Schools		
			School level		
School Association	Elementary	Secondary	Combined	Other	Unknown
Association of Evange- lical Lutheran Churches					
The American Lutheran Church					
American Montessori Society					
Catholic					
Christian Schools International					
Friends Council on Education				,	
Lutheran Church- Missouri Synod					
National Association of Episcopal Schools					
National Association of Independent Schools					
National Association of Private Schools for Exceptional Children					
National Society of Hebrew Day Schools					
Seventh-Day Adventist Board of Education					
Solomon Schechter Day Schools					
American Association of Christian Schools					
Association of Military Colleges and Schools of the United States					
Other Jewish					
Other Lutheran					
All else					

Table B: Cells for Area Frame Schools								
Affiliation	Elementary	Secondary	Combined					
Catholic								
Other religious								
Non-sectarian								

Sampling Error

The standard error is a measure of the variability due to sampling when estimating a parameter. It indicates how much variance there is in the population of possible estimates of a parameter for a given sample size. For PSS, only the area frame contributes to the standard error. The list frame component of the standard error is always zero (0).

Standard errors can be used as a measure of the precision expected from a particular sample. If all possible samples were surveyed under similar conditions, intervals of 1.96 standard errors below to 1.96 standard errors above a particular statistic would include the true population parameter being estimated in about 95 percent of the samples. This is a 95 percent confidence interval. For example, in 1989-90, the estimate for all private schools is 26,712, and the standard error is 593.6. The 95 percent confidence interval for this statistic extends from 26,712 - (593.6 times 1.96) to 26,712 + (593.6 times 1.96) or from 25,548 to 27,875. The standard error for the 4,838,497 students in private schools is 39,281.3. The 95 percent confidence interval for this statistic extends from 4,761,506 to 4,915,488.

Estimates of standard errors were computed using a technique known as half-sample replication. As with any replication method, half-sample replication involves constructing a number of subsamples (replicates) from the full sample and computing the statistic of interest for each replicate. The mean square error of the replicate estimates around the full sample provides an estimate of the variance of the statistic. A proprietary computer program (WESVAR), available at Westat, Inc., was used to calculate the estimates of standard errors. The software runs under IBM/OS and VAX/VMS systems.

Standard errors for statistics in each table are presented in corresponding tables labeled for standard errors (appendix A).

Stability of Sampling Error Estimates

The known incompleteness of the private school list frame mandates the need for an area frame sample to improve the coverage of the private school universe. However, the area frame sample of PSUs is small (123 out of a total of approximately 2,500 eligible PSUs) leading to potentially unstable

⁷Kirk M. Wolter, *Introduction to Variance Estimation*, chapter 3, (New York: 1985).

estimates of standard errors. This is particularly true when the domain of interest is small. When this occurs, sometimes there is not enough information to compute a standard error, as the tables indicate.

Stabilizing the standard error estimate given the level of detail of the PSS estimates would require a much larger PSU sample. The current area frame is designed to produce regional estimates.

Nonsampling Error

Survey estimates are also subject to errors of reporting and errors made in the collection of the data. These errors, called nonsampling errors, can sometimes bias the data. While sampling theory can be used to estimate the sampling variability of an estimate, nonsampling errors are not easy to measure and usually require either an experiment to be conducted as part of the data collection procedure or use of data external to the study.

Nonsampling errors may include such things as differences in the respondents' interpretation of the meaning of the questions, differences related to the particular time the survey was conducted, or errors in data preparation. The survey instrument used in the 1989-90 Early Estimates data collection was developed based on the experiences of the 1988-89 Early Estimates data collection. The form was modified as needed to accommodate one data collection instrument for both the Early Estimates and Universe components of the Private School data collection system. Content of the survey was developed in consultation with representatives of private school associations attending NCES private school data users meetings. The questionnaire and instructions were extensively reviewed by NCES staff. The data were checked for accuracy and consistency by the manual and machine edit described in the earlier section on quality control. Data were keyed with 100 percent verification.

Undercoverage in the list and area frames is another possible source of nonsampling error. The area frame was used to complement the list frame through the identification of schools missing from the list frame.

Publication Criteria for PSS Estimates

NCES criteria for the publication of an estimate is based on two category types: 1) surveys based on a sample from the frame or 2) universe surveys, surveys based on the entire frame. To publish an estimate for a sample survey, at least 30 cases must be used in developing the estimate; for a universe survey, at least 3 cases must be used in developing the estimate. The PSS survey does not fit into either of these two categories. PSS has pieces of both categories: 1) a complete census of schools belonging to the list frame and 2) a sample survey of 123 PSUs (area frame) which collects data on schools not on the list frame. Since a significant component of a PSS estimate comes from the census of the list frame, the criterion of at least 30 cases seems unnecessarily high. However, since the area frame component of an estimate can have a large sampling error, some indication of a large sampling error is appropriate. Based on these two concerns, the following rule was applied to estimates in the PSS tables:

In order for an estimate to be included in a PSS table, it must be based on at least 15 schools. If the estimate is based on more than 15 schools and the CV (standard

error/estimate) is greater than 25 percent, then the estimate is identified as having a large CV, and the reader is referred to a table of standard errors.

An exception to this rule occurs when a private school association provides the Center with a list of its schools. If no area frame schools are found belonging to the association, then it is assumed the list frame is complete and only three schools are required to publish. This exception only applies to schools associated with Friends.

Comparability with Other Estimates

Comparisons of the NCES private school estimates from 1989-90 with those from the 1988-89 Early Estimates (see table C) show similarities in the estimates for the number of private schools, students, and teachers in the aggregate, as well as within each school level and religious orientation group. For example, the 95 percent confidence interval on the 1988-89 estimate of 4,873,431 students ranges from 4,683,742 to 5,063,120 and the 95 percent confidence interval of the 1989-90 estimate of 4,838,497 ranges from 4,761,506 to 4,915,488. Similarly the 95 percent confidence interval on the 1988-89 estimate of 344,659 teachers ranged from 329,715 to 359,603 and the confidence interval on the 1989-90 estimate of 331,533 ranges from 325,233 to 337,833.

A comparison of the NCES Private School Universe Survey estimate for the total number of students in private schools with the most recent sample survey estimate of total enrollment from the October supplement of the Current Population Survey (CPS) shows that the two estimates are different ("School Enrollment - Social and Economic Characteristics of Students: October 1989," Current Population Reports, Series P-20, U.S. Department of Commerce). In particular, the CPS estimate of the number of private school students in grades kindergarten through 12 in the 1989-90 school year is 4.1 million, compared with the 4.8 million students reported in the NCES 1989-90 Private School Universe Survey. (The 95 percent confidence interval on the CPS estimate ranges from 3.9 to 4.3 million, and the 95 percent confidence interval of the Private School Universe membership count ranges from 4.7 to 4.9 million.)

Comparisons of the NCES Private School Universe Survey estimate for Catholic schools with the National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA) universe data for the 1989-90 school year (see table D) show differences in the two data sources (*U.S. Catholic Elementary and Secondary Schools, 1989-90*, National Catholic Educational Association, 1990). Specifically, the NCEA 1989-90 school year count of 2,498,870 students is not within the confidence interval of the NCES 1989-90 private school universe estimate for Catholic schools (the 95 percent confidence interval on the NCES private school universe of Catholic school enrollment ranges from 2,599,451 to 2,675,495). The NCEA teacher count of 136,900 is based solely on full-time teachers, while the estimate reported here (144,021 teachers) includes part-time teachers in the computation of full-time equivalents (the 95 percent confidence interval of the NCES estimate ranges from 142,315 to 145,727). These differences may be attributed to some difference in the way teachers and pupils are counted or the way in which information is collected. These differences will be explored with the NCEA.

Table C: Summary table for p	orivate school s	tatistics: 1983 ⁸	, 1985 ⁹ , 1988 ¹⁰ ,	and 1989
	1983	1985	1988	1989
Schools				
Total	27,700	25,600	26,300	26,712
Elementary	15,630	15,300	(11)	16,514
Secondary	2,620	2,400	(11)	2,490
Combined	5,250	4,900	(11)	7,707
Other	4,200	2,900	(11)	(¹²)
Students				
Total	5,715,200	5,982,000	4,873,000	4,838,497
Elementary	3,240,500	3,343,000	2,827,800	2,764,118
Secondary	1,047,000	1,318,000	868,300	842,040
Combined	1,130,200	1,047,000	1,177,400	1,232,339
Other	297,500	274,000	(¹²)	(¹²)
FTE teachers				
Total	337,200	404,000	344,659	331,533
Elementary	(11)	190,000	171,115	158,025
Secondary	(11)	83,000	63,270	62,971
Combined	(11)	96,000	110,273	110,537
Other	(11)	35,000	(12)	(12)

⁸Beller, Private Elementary and Secondary Education, 1983 Enrollment, Teachers, and Schools.

⁹Westat, Inc., Private Schools and Private School Teachers: Final Report of the 1985-86 Private School Study (Rockville, Maryland: 1987).

¹⁰Marilyn M. McMillen, Early Estimates: Key Statistics for Private Elementary and Secondary Education: School Year 1988-89 (Washington, D.C.: 1988).

¹¹Data are not available.

¹²The 1989 PSS did not include the category "other" for schools, students, or teachers. The alternative and special education schools assigned to that category have been included in the other three levels.

Table D: National Statistics for Catholic S Comparison of NCEA ¹³ and NC		90
	NCEA	NCES
Schools		
Total	8,719	9,051
Elementary	7,395	7,462
Secondary	1,324	1,292
Combined	(14)	296
Students		
Total	2,498,870	2,637,473
Elementary	1,892,913	1,914,039
Secondary	605,957	635,000
Combined	(14)	88,434
FTE teachers		
Total	136,900	¹⁵ 144,021
Elementary	94,197	95,184
Secondary	42,703	41,139
Combined	(14)	7,698

¹³United States Catholic Elementary and Secondary Schools, 1989-90: Annual Report on Schools, Enrollment and Staffing. (Washington, D.C.: National Catholic Educational Association, 1990).

¹⁴Data are not available.

¹⁵Private Schools Survey, 1989-90, unpublished tabulation.

Appendix A: Standard Error Tables

Table 1A.--Standard errors for number and percent of private schools, students, and FTE teachers, by selected characteristics: United States, 1989-90

	Scho	ools	Enroll	ment .	FTE teachers		
Characteristics	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Total	593.6		38,729.0		3,214.3		
Private school type							
Catholic	73.3	0.69	19,399.1	0.31	870.6	0.34	
Parochial	51.6	0.44	15,248.5	0.23	634.7	0.20	
Diocesan	20.0	0.21	5,356.9	0.14	341.6	0.12	
Private	25.3	0.10	3,340.4	0.05	196.9	0.09	
Other religious	501.6	1.00	22,769.8	0.34	2,061.3	0.43	
Conservative Christian	212.0	0.78	11.671.6	0.24	1,249.4	0.36	
Affiliated	108.6	0.42	12,979.3	0.22	1,127.1	0.29	
Unaffiliated	463.6	1.45	16,043.8	0.31	1,298.3	0.37	
Non-sectarian	223.7	0.74	17,983.2	0.34	1,905.1	0.48	
Regular	139.0	0.51	13,331.4	0.27	1,204.7	0.36	
Special emphasis	105.6	0.36	5,251.1	0.10	941.2	0.27	
Special education	80.7	0.28	8,671.1	0.18	1,090.7	0.31	
School level							
Elementary	466.6	0.85	36,088.6	0.46	2,116.4	0.49	
Secondary	78.9	0.27	12,851.9	0.27	1,214.0	0.30	
Combined	248.4	0.76	20,320.5	0.41	1,927.5	0.47	
Program emphasis							
Regular elementary,							
secondary	464.2	0.72	32,613.5	0.37	2,161.9	0.57	
Montessori	90.2	0.32	3,779.0	0.07	288.1	0.08	
Special program							
emphasis	178.8	0.64	18,145.8	0.36	1,698.0	0.46	
Special education	84.3	0.29	8,695.9	0.18	1,094.2	0.31	
Vocational/technical Alternative	101.5	# 0.36	3,636.9	4	704 /	4	
Other	73.9	0.36	4,953.2	0.07 0.10	391.4	0.12 0.15	
Not reported	73.7	0.02	4,955.2	0.10	494.1	0.15	
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Size Less than 150	E/O O	0.07	2/ 027 7	0.11	2 775 7		
150 to 299	569.9	0.93	24,023.3	0.41	2,375.3	0.54	
300 to 499	85.4 34.1	0.60 0.25	17,270.7 12,531.7	0.35 0.20	1,532.0 880.6	0.45 0.22	
500 to 749	16.6	0.25	11,255.1	0.20	740.0	0.22	
750 or more	7.2	0.05	5,490.9	0.14	222.5	0.20	
Not reported		0.01	2,470.7			#	
tegion							
Northeast	312.7	1.05	36,943.1	0.64	2,356.2	0.57	
Midwest	403.2	1.28	15,423.2	0.34	1,127.1	0.37	
South	318.8	1.07	24,345.6	0.50	1.880.3	0.53	
West	202.7	0.68	12,384.1	0.24	1,388.0	0.36	

 $[\]mbox{--}\mbox{Too}$ few sample cases for a reliable estimate or insufficient information available to compute a standard error.

[#]Standard error is less than .01.

Table 2A.--Standard errors for number and percent of private schools, students, and FTE teachers, by religious and non-sectarian category:
United States, 1989-90

	Sch	ools	Enrol	lment		TE chers
Category	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	593.6		38,729.0		3,214.3	
Religious orientation						
Amish	311.8	1.13	6,234.4	0.13	473.4	0.14
Assembly of God	74.4	0.27	3,075.8	0.06	327.7	0.10
Baptist	138.7	0.53	6,857.7	0.14	739.6	0.22
Calvinist	6.2	0.03	1,944.2	0.04	146.6	0.04
Christian (unspecified)	160.6	0.56	9,938.8	0.22	899.4	0.27
Church of Christ	41.8	0.15	3,384.9	0.07	229.2	0.07
Church of God	6.0	0.02	882.1	0.02	81.1	0.02
Episcopal	20.7	0.08	1,514.7	0.03	184.7	0.06
Friends		0.01		#		0.01
Jewish	24.8	0.09	7,130.5	0.13	673.9	0.18
Lutheran	39.6	0.19	2,905.7	0.07	200.3	0.07
Mennonite	171.8	0.62	8,867.0	0.18	725.2	0.22
Methodist	70.4	0.26	5,246.6	0.11	373.7	0.11
Pentecostal	49.2	0.18	1,725.5	0.04	216.1	0.06
Presbyterian	21.3	0.08	3,104.0	0.06	214.3	0.06
Roman Catholic	73.3	0.69	19,399.1	0.31	870.6	0.34
Seventh-Day Adventist	59.3	0.23	1,466.7	0.03	147.6	0.05
Religious (unspecified)	66.8	0.23	4,518.3	0.08	334.1	0.09
lon-sectarian						
Exceptional children	41.8	0.15	2,525.7	0.05	443.7	0.12
Montessori	56.1	0.21	2,043.5	0.04	216.1	0.07
Other non-sectarian	199.7	0.68	17,451.3	0.34	1,739.6	0.47

⁻⁻Too few sample cases for a reliable estimate or insufficient information available to compute a standard error.

[#]Standard error is less than .01.

Table 3A.--Standard errors for number and percent of private schools by school level, by selected characteristics: United States, 1989-90

	To	tal	Elemei	ntary	Seco	ndary	Comb	ined
Characteristics	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	593.6		466.6		78.9		248.4	
Private school type								
Catholic Parochial Diocesan Private	73.3 51.6 20.0 25.3	0.69 0.44 0.21 0.10	77.3 51.6 21.1 26.2	1.21 0.88 0.32 0.15	22.9 1.6 14.2 17.4	1.46 0.33 0.74 0.76	0.8 0.8	0.13 0.04 0.02 0.07
Other religious Conservative Christian Affiliated Unaffiliated	501.6 212.0 108.6 463.6	1.00 0.78 0.42 1.45	399.4 63.1 88.2 386.7	1.44 0.34 0.67 1.98	45.8 15.9 28.2 34.1	1.29 0.60 1.03 1.24	228.6 195.4 33.3 170.2	1.48 2.30 0.49 1.82
Non-sectarian Regular Special emphasis Special education	223.7 139.0 105.3 80.0	0.74 0.51 0.36 0.28	174.1 93.4 85.6 24.1	0.96 0.52 0.49 0.14	44.1 5.3 33.1 28.6	1.38 0.39 1.19 1.08	122.0 99.2 43.0 64.7	1.45 1.26 0.55 0.79
Program emphasis Regular elementary, secondary Montessori	464.2 90.2	0.72 0.32	403.2 76.1	0.87 0.44	47.0	1.87	180.4 26.4	1.33 0.32
Special program emphasis Special education Vocational/technical Alternative Other	178.8 84.3 101.5 73.9	0.64 0.29 # 0.36 0.27	132.9 25.8 + 17.4 69.5	0.77 0.15 + 0.11 0.42	46.4 28.6 19.5 4.6	1.55 1.08 0.01 0.74 0.27	61.7 64.2 93.2 26.6	0.78 0.78 # 1.07 0.36
Not reported		0.02	07.3	0.02		0.04		0.02
Size Less than 150 150 to 299 300 to 499 500 to 749 750 or more Not reported	569.9 85.4 34.1 16.6 7.2	0.93 0.60 0.25 0.11 0.05	438.7 48.5 31.1 11.2 7.2	1.19 0.83 0.30 0.10 0.04	68.2 30.1 14.2 12.3	1.83 1.24 0.68 0.49 0.34	231.7 75.3 9.4 4.8	1.16 0.91 0.30 0.16 0.09 0.01
Region Northeast Midwest South West	312.7 403.2 318.8 202.7	1.05 1.28 1.07 0.68	246.3 349.7 233.2 101.6	1.37 1.64 1.27 0.70	23.1 45.7 33.0 43.2	0.86 1.52 1.29 1.43	97.6 113.4 161.1 120.3	1.08 1.44 1.60 1.34

⁻⁻Too few sample cases for a reliable estimate or insufficient information available to compute a standard error.

[#]Standard error is less than .01.

⁺Not applicable.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Private Schools Survey, 1989-90.

Table 4A.--Standard errors for number and percent of private school students by school level, by selected characteristics: United States, 1989-90

	Tot	al	Elemen	tary	Secon	dary	Combi	ned
Characteristics	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	38,729.0		36,088.6		12,851.9		20,320.5	
Private school type								
Catholic	19,399.1	0.31	20,128.4	0.47	9,627.2	0.53	678.7	
Parochial	15,248.5	0.23	14,972.6	0.38	2,887.9	0.24		0.04
Diocesan Private	5,356.9 3,340.4	0.14 0.05	4,761.6 4,979.7	0.23 0.16	7,456.6 2,291.3	0.56 0.45	678.7	0.02 0.08
Other religious	22,769.8	0.34	17,677.4	0,42	4,941.3	0.48	13,641.3	0.88
Conservative Christian	11,671.6	0.24	6,477.2	0.20	1.649.6	0.19	9,343.9	0.73
Affiliated	12,979.3	0.22	10,648.8	0.33	4,760.4	0.51	4,541.3	0.40
Unaffiliated	16,043.8	0.31	11,305.0	0.38	2,250.1	0.26	8,649.7	0.60
Non-sectarian	17,983.2	0.34	7,473.9	0.23	3,061.8	0.34	15,217.6	
Regular	13,331.4	0.27	4,872.4	0.16	293.6	0.12	12,281.5	0.86
Special emphasis	5,251.1	0.10	3,104.8	0.10	2,994.4	0.35	2,922.2	0.24
Special education	8,671.1	0.18	602.3	0.02	827.6	0.09	8,581.9	0.67
Program emphasis								
Regular elementary,	70 417 5	0.37	77 2/0 E	0.41	7,821.8	0.96	16,428.2	0.71
secondary Montessori	32,613.5 3,779.0	0.37	33,248.5 2,444.0	0.08	1,021.0	0.90	1,995.4	0.71
Special program	3,779.0	0.07	2,444.0	0.08			1,773.4	0.10
emphasis	18,145.8	0.36	11,387.4	0.41	10,290.0	1.04	4.039.7	0.35
Special education	8,695.9	0.18	671.5	0.02	827.6	0.09	8,581.0	0.67
Vocational/technical		#	+	+		#		#
Alternative	3,636.9	0.07	442.2	0.02	905.7	0.11	3,357.2	0.25
Other	4,953.2	0.10	3,450.0	0.12	722.8	0.14	3,529.5	0.29
Not reported		0.01		0.01		0.02		0.01
Size	.							
Less than 150	24,023.3	0.41	15,441.4	0.40	4,191.2	0.47	12,162.3	0.83
150 to 299	17,270.7	0.35	11,199.6	0.34	4,723.9	0.55	15,730.2	1.01
300 to 499	12,531.7	0.20	11,388.8	0.24	6,545.0	0.60	3,918.1	0.42
500 to 749	11,255.1	0.19	7,747.7 5,490.9	0.20	7,678.1	0.70 0.51	2,585.6	0.31 0.28
750 or more	5,490.9	0.14	5,490.9	0.19		0.51		0.28
Not reported								
egion	74 0/7 1	0.44	77 777 0	0.93	0 010 0	0.75	5,370.1	0 /7
Northeast Midwest	36,943.1 15,423.2	0.64 0.34	33,373.8 10,429.4	0.50	8,919.0 4,796.2	0.75	7,222.0	0.43 0.58
South	24,345.6	0.50	17,905.8	0.62	7,441.7	0.57	16,368.6	0.83
West	12,384.1	0.24	7,165.3	0.31	3,481.2	0.44	7,068.4	0.52

⁻⁻Too few sample cases for a reliable estimate or insufficient information available to compute a standard error.

#Standard error is less than .01.

⁺Not applicable.

Table 5A.--Standard errors for number and percent of private schools by school level, by religious and non-sectarian category: United States, 1989-90

	To	tal	Eleme	ntary	Seco	ndary	Comb	ined
Category	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	593.6		466.6		78.9		248.4	
Religious orientation								
Amish	311.8	1.13	310.3	1.79				0.42
Assembly of God	74.4	0.27	28.2	0.16			66.9	0.84
Baptist	138.7	0.53	38.3	0.23	3.4	0.15	133.5	1.70
Calvinist	6.2	0.03		0.02	6.2	0.24		0.02
Christian (unspecified)	160.6	0.56	107.0	0.61	6.6	0.27	114.4	1.25
Church of Christ	41.8	0.15	6.0	0.04		0.01	41.4	0.51
Church of God	6.0	0.02	5.2	0.03			3.0	0.05
Episcopal	20.7	80.0	21.8	0.14		0.06	6.2	0.08
Friends		0.01		0.01		0.01		0.01
Jewish	24.8	0.09	22.9	0.14	10.9	0.38	9.3	0.13
Lutheran	39.6	0.19	37.3	0.34	5.0	0.20		0.02
Mennonite	171.8	0.62	118.8	0.69		1.06	63.6	0.80
Methodist	70.4	0.26	15.3	0.09		0.01	69.7	0.89
Pentecostal	49.2	0.18		0.01			44.7	0.55
Presbyterian	21.3	0.08	21.3	0.13		0.01		0.01
Roman Catholic	73.3	0.69	77.3	1.21	22.9	1.46	0.8	0.13
Seventh-Day Adventist	59.3	0.23	50.1	0.32		0.08	31.7	0.41
Religious (unspecified)	66.8	0.23	32.9	0.18	18.0	0.70	40.1	0.51
Non-sectarian								
Exceptional children	41.8	0.15	9.1	0.05		0.05	40.0	0.48
Montessori	56.1	0.21	54.8	0.33			11.8	0.14
Other non-sectarian	199.7	0.68	157.6	0.88	44.1	1.40	112.7	1.42

⁻⁻Too few sample cases for a reliable estimate or insufficient information available to compute a standard error.

Table 6A.--Standard errors for number and percent of private school students by school level, by religious and non-sectarian category: United States, 1989-90

	Tot	al	Eleme	ntary	Secon	dary	Combi	ned
Category	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	38,729.0		36,088.6		12,851.9		20,320.5	
Religious oientation								
Amish	6,234.4	0.13	6,287.6	0.23				0.07
Assembly of God	3,075.8	0.06	1,278.4	0.04			2,231.4	0.19
Baptist	6,857.7	0.14	3,454.1	0.12	180.2	0.02	5,987.2	0.52
Calvinist	1,944.2	0.04		0.01	1,944.2	0.22		0.02
Christian (unspecified)	9,938.8	0.22	4,093.7	0.14	210.0	0.04	9,602.7	0.68
Church of Christ	3,384.9	0.07	371.7	0.01		0.01	3,364.4	0.26
Church of God	882.1	0.02	706.9	0.03			527.8	0.04
Episcopal	1,514.7	0.03	1,185.4	0.05		0.02	2,471.3	0.20
Friends		#		#		#		0.02
Jewish	7,130.5	0.13	8,550.7	0.29	164.0	0.03	2,901.2	0.23
Lutheran	2,905.7	0.07	2,648.4	0.15	353.3	0.05		0.01
Mennonite	8,867.0	0.18	4,353.4	0.15		0.47	3,044.5	0.25
Methodist	5,246.6	0.11	4,639.4	0.17		#	2,474.8	0.20
Pentecostal	1,725.5	0.04	• •	#			1,680.7	0.14
Presbyterian	3,104.0	0.06	3,104.0	0.11		#		0.01
Roman Catholic	19,399.1	0.31	20,128.4	0.47	9,627.2	0.53	678.7	0.12
Seventh-Day Adventist	1,466.7	0.03	676.3	0.03		0.02	1,301.5	0.11
Religious (unspecified)	4,518.3	0.08	2,995.3	0.10	887.5	0.10	2,294.8	0.20
lon-sectarian								
Exceptional children	2,525.7	0.05	933.5	0.03		#	2,204.7	0.18
Montessori	2,043.5	0.04	1,880.4	0.06			799.9	0.06
Other non-sectarian	17,451.3	0.34	6,717.9	0.22	3,061.8	0.34	15,258.2	0.98

⁻⁻Too few sample cases for a reliable estimate or insufficient information available to compute a standard error.

[#]Standard error is less than .01.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Private Schools Survey, 1989-90.

Table 7A.--Standard errors for percentage distribution of private schools by program emphasis, by religious and non-sectarian category: United States, 1989-90

Category	Regular elementar secondary	y Montessori	Special programs	Special education	Alternative	Other	Not reported
Religious orientation							
Amish	8.28		6.83		0.23	8.10	0.16
Assembly of God	7.20		2.23		7.75	0.23	0.03
Baptist	1.22		1.21		1.54	0.63	0.04
Calvinist	3.58		3.74				0.03
Christian (unspecified)	2.52	0.04	2.83	0.04	2.20	0.59	0.04
Church of Christ	2.03		0.70			0.80	
Church of God	9.36		0.45		0.68		
Episcopal	4.51	5.40	0.43		0.11	0.23	0.09
Friends					••		
Jewish	1.96		1.97	0.03	0.12	0.21	0.03
Lutheran	0.66		0.66	0.01	0.02	0.04	0.01
Mennonite	9.19		9.05		3.31	0.43	0.10
Methodist	20.79		2.10	0.67	23.00		
Pentecostal	6.55		5.20		5.10	0.46	0.05
Presbyterian	11.16		13.34		1.24	0.63	
Roman Catholic	0.13	#	0.20	0.10	#	0.05	0.01
Seventh-Day Adventist	0.81		0.63	,	0.07	0.09	0.03
Religious (unspecified)	3.18	1.84	1.20	0.30	2.21	1.86	0.07
Non-sectarian							
Exceptional children	1.20	0.08	2.31	3.27	0.59		
Montessori	0.41	0.51	0.07				
Other non-sectarian	2.39	1.22	1.25	1.48	1.13	0.92	0.04

 $[\]mbox{\scriptsize --} \mbox{\scriptsize Too}$ few sample cases for a reliable estimate or insufficient information available to compute a standard error.

#Standard error is less than .01.

NOTE: For this table the categories "Vocational/technical" and "Other" were combined into the category entitled "Other."

Table 8A.--Standard errors for percentage distribution of private school students by program emphasis, by religious and non-sectarian category: United States, 1989-90

Category	Regular elementary secondary	Montessori	Special programs	Special education	Alternative	Other	Not reported
Religious orientation							
Amish	5.95		7.88	•-	0.21	7.47	0.09
Assembly of God	1.41		1.08		0.97	0.07	#
Baptist	0.81	•	0.79		0.31	0.22	0.01
Calvinist	4.07		4.21				0.05
Christian (unspecified)	1.21	0.01	1.07	0.01	0.46	0.82	0.03
Church of Christ	0.39		0.17			0.18	
Church of God	9.21		0.46		0.64		
Episcopal	0.62	0.64	0.15		0.06	0.08	0.04
Friends							~-
Jewish	2.16		2.14	#	0.06	0.17	0.02
Lutheran	0.57		0.58	#	0.01	0.02	0.01
Mennonite	8.48		8.01		3.55	0.51	0.06
Methodist	9.15		1.32	0.17	9.47		~ •
Pentecostal	3.47		2.03		3.41	0.17	0.01
Presbyterian	9.46		10.21		0.25	0.49	
Roman Catholic	0.25	#	0.28	0.01	#	0.04	0.01
Seventh-Day Adventist	0.34		0.24		0.04	0.06	#
Religious (unspecified)	2.07	1.11	1.58	0.10	0.80	0.74	0.04
Non-Sectarian							
Exceptional children	2.38	0.05	1.36	3.28	0.42		~-
Montessori	0.61	0.76	0.11				
Other non-sectarian	1.48	0.30	0.65	1.37	0.37	0.61	0.03

⁻⁻Too few sample cases for a reliable estimate or insufficient information available to compute a standard error. #Standard error is less than .01.

NOTE: For this table the categories "Vocational/technical" and "Other" were combined into the category entitled "Other."

Table 9A.--Standard errors for number and percent of private school students by grade level, by private school type:
United States, 1989-90

	Grade									
	Kinderg	arten	Fi	rst	Sec	ond	Thi	rd	Fou	rth
Private school type	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	6,440.3		5,443.1		4,394.4		4,093.9		3,847.2	
Catholic Parochial Diocesan Private	2,082.2 1,480.6 663.4 499.6	0.53 0.40 0.18 0.99	2,505.6 1,877.2 701.5 614.8	0.37 0.18	2,502.7 1,896.0 623.8 603.3	0.31 0.16	2,347.8 1,819.1 596.3 660.9	0.29 0.18	2,236.8 1,776.4 578.9 538.0	0.29 0.17
Other religious Conservative Christian Affiliated Unaffiliated	3,117.1 1,719.8 1,535.4 1,711.3	0.40 0.31 0.34 0.32	3,031.8 1,684.9 1,417.3 1,906.1	0.38 0.30 0.28 0.37	2,626.5 1,511.9 1,506.8 1,699.3	0.31 0.30	2,287.4 1,234.4 1,366.6 1,737.8	0.29 0.29	2,233.3 1,091.7 1,308.8 1,663.4	0.27 0.28
Non-sectarian Regular Special emphasis Special education	3,172.0 2,217.9 1,200.9 57.7	0.55 0.41 0.21 0.01	1,910.8 1,392.9 750.1 85.8	0.35 0.28 0.14 0.02	950.7 810.5 408.4 79.6	0.20 0.08	910.4 726.5 387.1 72.8	0.18 0.08	904.8 844.4 326.4 78.4	0.21

	Grade									
	Fift	th	Sixt	h	Seve	enth	Eig	hth	Nin	th
Private school type	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	3,417.7		3,364.8		3,244.2		2,614.5		3,480.2	
Catholic Parochial Diocesan Private	2,233.3 1,669.4 471.6 640.7	0.37 0.30 0.15 0.16	2,296.2 1,632.1 516.7 607.5	0.34 0.28 0.16 0.15	2,120.0 1,706.5 697.3 455.2	0.38 0.35 0.21 0.11	2,033.4 1,639.6 735.3 359.4	0.36 0.21	2,334.7 731.4 1,762.2 386.4	0.52 0.18 0.44 0.28
Other religious Conservative Christian Affiliated Unaffiliated	1,993.2 903.1 1,075.2 1,514.3	0.38 0.24 0.25 0.37	1,833.9 798.2 928.6 1,555.8	0.37 0.24 0.21 0.40	1,749.2 936.6 781.6 1,530.4	0.38 0.27 0.18 0.41	1,532.8 911.9 663.2 1,368.8	0.29 0.17	1,542.1 906.4 1,321.5 818.5	0.43 0.32 0.40 0.25
Non-sectarian Regular Special emphasis Special education	1,034.5 995.0 204.4 106.6	0.26 0.26 0.05 0.03	1,077.9 1,051.9 170.8 121.0	0.29 0.29 0.05 0.03	1,255.6 1,201.4 273.8 184.7	0.34 0.33 0.08 0.05	1,079.8 1,045.6 171.9 286.8	0.31 0.05	1,784.5 1,764.7 199.2 344.6	0.52 0.54 0.09 0.11

NOTE: All sources and footnotes appear on the second page of Table 9A.

Table 9A.--Standard errors for number and percent of private school students by grade level, by private school type: United States, 1989-90 Continued

					Gr	ade				
	Ten	th	Elev	enth	Twe	lfth	Ung	raded	Not reported	
Private school type	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	3,259.8		2,814.9		4,467.4		9,117.1		1,962.0	
Catholic Parochial Diocesan Private	2,069.5 757.6 1,474.3 275.9		1,628.1 411.3 1,250.5 339.6	0.44 0.11 0.34 0.26	2,217.2 987.5 1,365.7 335.9	0.30 0.44	229.8 229.8	0.35 0.32	 	3.96 0.85 1.52 1.60
Other religious Conservative Christian Affiliated Unaffiliated	1,508.1 742.9 1,278.4 673.3	0.44 0.26 0.41 0.23	1,282.2 743.5 1,113.1 609.8	0.39 0.28 0.38 0.22	1,061.8 690.9 1,005.8 367.0	0.28 0.35	3,144.2 374.1 369.5 3,092.9	2.91 0.65 0.45 2.67	1,641.8 298.3 1,557.2	6.85 1.85 1.20 7.59
Non-sectarian Regular Special emphasis Special education	1,632.0 1,531.0 110.5 617.6	0.51 0.50 0.07 0.21	1,458.8 1,391.3 92.8 423.1	0.46 0.48 0.04 0.15	3,468.2 876.8 2,984.7 401.6	1.07 0.34 1.03 0.13	8,633.0 387.1 1,994.8 8,323.9	3.46 0.46 2.32 4.94	1,074.2 559.5 514.7	5.85 3.04 2.96 0.54

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NOTE: Kindergarten counts only cover schools that have a first grade or higher.

Table 10A.--Standard errors for number of private school students by program emphasis, by grade level: United States, 1989-90

Grade	Total	Regular elementary secondary	Montessori	Special programs	Special education	Alternative	Other	Not reported
Total	38,729.0	32,613.5	3,779.0	18,145.8	8,695.9	3,636.9	4,953.2	
Kindergarten	6,440.3	4,852.4	897.3	1,395.5	68.6	612.1	1,776.9	
First	5,443.1	4,315.4	504.6	1,536.2	103.8	364.8	1,192.8	
Second	4,394.4	3,969.7	386.7	1,404.5	87.1	417.5	272.8	
Third	4,093.9	3,565.2	382.6	1,301.9	89.0	326.3	221.5	
Fourth	3,847.2	3,617.5	289.8	1,216.8	84.6	375.7	248.7	
Fifth	3,417.7	3,169.8	193.6	1,326.9	117.0	308.4	178.6	
Sixth	3,364.8	3,171.6	98.4	936.2	127.3	204.1	296.1	
Seventh	3,244.2	3,170.1		699.3	186.2	247.2	385.7	
Eighth	2,614.5	2,707.5	41.5	653.6	286.8	302.1	373.5	
Ninth	3,480.2	2,399.7	••	2,404.7	344.6	325.9	409.0	
Tenth	3,259.8	2,254.7		2,232.1	619.3	293.8	500.6	
Eleventh	2,814.9	1,806.8		1,954.0	423.8	370.8	589.7	
Twelfth	4,467.4	1,457.0		3,830.8	401.6	175.7	444.1	
Ungraded	9,117.1	1,326.2	1,981.7	2,308.8	8,323.9	907.5	3,064.0	
Not reported	1,962.0	1,734.5	323.8	190.9		. -		
•	·	•	•	·	8,323.9	907.5	3,064.0	

⁻⁻Too few sample cases for a reliable estimate or insufficient information available to compute a standard error.

NOTE: For this table the categories "Vocational/technical" and "Other" were combined into the category entitled "Other."

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Private Schools Survey, 1989-90.

Table 11A.--Standard errors for number of private schools by program emphasis, by length of school day: United States, 1989-90

Length of school day	Total	Regular elementary secondary	Montessori	Special programs	Special education	Alternative	Other	Not reported
Total schools	593.6	464.2	90.2	178.8	84.3	101.5	73.9	
Number of hours								
Less than 4	16.6	14.3						
4 to 4.9	43.7	17.0				6.6		
5 to 5.9	116.3	60.8	13.6	33.4	56.1	19.8	27.0	
6 to 6.9	441.9	313.0	68.5	166.1	51.6	98.5	50.5	
7 or more	329.2	300.0	26.6	50.6	7.5	58.2	18.5	
Not reported	6.6				6.6	••		

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NOTE: For this table the categories "Vocational/technical" and "Other" were combined into the category entitled "Other."

Table 12A.--Standard errors for number and percent of private schools by school size, by private school type, school level, and program emphasis: United States, 1989-90

						School :	size					
Characteristics	Less th	an 150	150 to	299	300 to	499	500 to	749	750 or	more	Not re	ported
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number 1	Percent	Number F	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	569.9	0.93	85.4	0.60	34.1	0.25	16.6	0.11	7.2	0.05		#
Private school type												
Catholic	53.5	0.46	24.7	0.28	17.0	0.19	15.5	0.16	7.2	0.08		#
Parochial	32.4	0.44	17.7	0.31	16.7	0.25	11.1	0.17	7.2	0.12		#
Diocesan	17.2	0.60	7.6	0.40	3.1	0.21	6.2	0.25		0.05		
Private	23.7	1.87	9.0	1.00		0.51	0.8	0.39		0.33		
Other religious	487.9	0.98	46.2	0.67	27.1	0.29	1.4	0.09		0.04		0.01
Conservative Christian	208.8	1.63	33.1	1.21	16.3	0.51		0.10		0.04		0.02
Affiliated	96.6	1.08	35.5	0.86	21.7	0.50	1.4	0.08		0.04		0.01
Unaffiliated	464.5	1.60	17.7	1.04		0.32		0.15		0.10		0.02
Non-sectarian	209.2	1.58	69.9	1.38	8.4	0.38		0.14		0.08		0.01
Regular	127.8	3.26	56.2	2.64	8.4	0.95		0.38		0.22		0.01
Special emphasis	103.4	1.12	14.8	0.90		0.17		0.11		0.06		#
Special education	70.8	3.74	37.2	3.79		0.11		0.04				0.04
School level												
Elementary	438.7	1.19	48.5	0.83	31.1	0.30	11.2	0.10	7.2	0.04		#
Secondary	68.2	1.83	30.1	1.24	14.2	0.68	12.3	0.49		0.34		#
Combined	231.7	1.16	75.3	0.91	9.4	0.30	4.8	0.16		0.09		0.01
Program emphasis												
Regular elementary,	(70.4	4 40	74 7	0.40	20. (0.70	0.7	0.40	~ ~			ш
secondary	438.4	1.12	71.7	0.68	28.6	0.32	9.3	0.12	7.2	0.06		#
Montessori	90.2	0.62		0.56		0.05						
Special program	470.0	2 77	22.0	4 7/	10 /	0.7/	17.0	0 /0		0.47		0.01
emphasis	172.9	2.33	22.0	1.36	18.6	0.76	13.8	0.48		0.14		0.01
Special education	75.6	3.25	37.2	3.28		0.09						0.02
Vocational/technical	400 E	•		0.75		0.19		0.06				0 01
Alternative	100.5	1.00	6.6							0.07		0.01
Other	74.0	4.15	15.8	2.92		0.84		0.42		0.21		0.05
Not reported								••				

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[#]Standard error is less than .01.

Table 13A.--Standard errors for number and percent of private school teachers (headcount) by work status, by selected characteristics: United States, 1989-90

Characteristics	Total	Full 1	ime		ime but nan 100%	1/2 ti less th	me but an 3/4	1/4 ti less th	me but an 1/2	Less th	nan 1/4
	Number	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	3,663.5	2,869.4	0.20	255.7	0.07	507.8	0.08	333.8	0.08	638.7	0.17
Private school type											
Catholic Parochial Diocesan Private	912.2 655.0 357.5 234.7	826.8 589.2 324.7 184.5	0.08 0.07 0.13 0.26	84.8 83.8 12.8	0.05 0.09 0.03 0.03	83.6 63.6 62.6 21.1	0.06 0.07 0.14 0.11	97.3 30.3 42.7 88.3	0.06 0.04 0.09 0.31	37.7 6.6 37.1	0.02 0.02 0.02 0.14
Other religious Conservative Christian Affiliated Unaffiliated	2,469.7 1,496.2 1,234.8 1,639.4	1,806.5 1,012.8 1,055.8 1,152.8	0.47 0.64 0.70 1.11	169.7 106.7 81.9 70.6	0.12 0.21 0.21 0.19	415.8 289.3 252.4 245.7	0.23 0.43 0.34 0.58	237.9 178.9 139.7 101.5	0.15 0.33 0.23 0.26	619.0 177.6 77.0 582.1	0.42 0.33 0.16 1.39
Non-sectarian Regular Special emphasis Special education	2,036.4 1,289.4 1,017.0 1,152.9	1,794.7 1,126.7 851.3 1,019.1	0.39 0.55 0.83 1.68	91.3 79.2 59.9 59.9	0.16 0.20 0.30 0.41	264.2 151.0 192.3 106.1	0.28 0.28 0.65 0.76	164.4 117.7 52.3 97.7	0.22 0.28 0.29 0.71	152.2 97.1 119.3 41.3	0.18 0.21 0.54 0.34
School level Elementary Secondary Combined	2,463.1 1,322.4 2,171.5	1,875.1 1,108.4 1,729.7	0.28 0.37 0.33	152.0 67.8 129.3	0.08 0.11 0.11	262.0 157.9 396.3	0.10 0.14 0.24	231.7 195.2 136.3	0.10 0.26 0.12	553.1 16.5 307.1	0.30 0.04 0.23
Program emphasis Regular elementary, secondary Montessori Special program emphasis	2,579.5 342.0 1,685.4	1,849.4 241.3 1,675.0	0.21 1.69 0.97	179.2 25.0 77.2	0.06 0.56 0.29	372.5 78.9 186.5	0.09 1.25 0.29	294.7 40.3 101.8	0.09 0.77 0.28	607.2 91.6 110.2	0.21 1.79 0.32
Special education Vocational/technical Alternative Other Not reported	1,157.0 526.2 503.0	1,022.1 300.8 486.4	1.50 1.57 0.93	60.8 67.8 31.0	0.35 0.62 0.41	103.1 120.2 67.5	0.63 0.88 0.57	97.7 27.8 31.1	0.62 0.33 0.34	136.3	0.30 1.14 0.12
Size Less than 150 150 to 299 300 to 499 500 to 749 750 or more Not reported	2,807.4 1,596.1 949.4 689.3 222.5	2,034.5 1,454.4 778.8 828.7 222.5	0.57 0.27 0.20 0.52 0.07	162.4 71.5 102.0 85.8 	0.16 0.07 0.11 0.22 0.02	460.7 142.9 128.5 15.4	0.31 0.11 0.15 0.12 0.04	301.5 95.8 94.5 59.6	0.26 0.09 0.10 0.15 0.01	634.6 53.3 6.2 23.8	0.59 0.06 0.02 0.07 0.01
Region Northeast Midwest South West	2,520.5 1,571.4 2,150.9 1,476.4	2,217.8 930.9 1,611.9 1,261.3	0.41 0.54 0.26 0.36	177.3 108.0 87.8 59.1	0.20 0.11 0.08 0.12	239.5 198.1 368.4 256.7	0.14 0.16 0.23 0.28	172.5 219.4 153.5 99.9	0.12 0.20 0.13 0.18	113.6 591.6 176.2 108.1	0.12 0.59 0.14 0.18

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Table 14A.--Standard errors for number of private schools, students, and teachers, by private school association membership: United States, 1989-90

Association	Number of schools	Students	Teachers
Accelerated Christian Education	152.7	4,714.5	712.3
Alternative School Network	••		
American Association of Christian Schools	57.9	5,217.2	504.4
American Montessori Society	33.0	1,705.6	126.3
Other Montessori Associations	50.2	1,600.5	190.4
Association of Christian Schools International	102.4	8,851.8	819.7
Association of Military Colleges and Schools			
Association of Evangelical Lutheran Churches			
Bilingual School Association			
Christian Schools International	23.0	2,847.9	205.5
Council of Bilingual Education			
Other Association of Bilingual Education			•-
Council for Exceptional Children	13.1	1,301.3	339.0
Early Childhood Education Assoc.	13.4	366.6	38.7
Other Early Childhood Education Assoc.	22.9	3,128.6	310.8
European Council for International Schools			
Other Association for International Schools			
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America			
Evangelical Lutheran Church Wisconsin Synod			
Friends Council on Education	••		
General Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists	25.5	347.2	25.7
Jesuit Secondary Education Association			
ocal State or Regional Independent School Association	18.9	2,796.7	400.7

NOTE: All sources and footnotes appear on the second page of Table 14A.

Table 14A.--Standard errors for number of private schools, students, and teachers, by private school association membership: United States, 1989-90 Continued

Association	Number of schools	Students	Teachers
ocal State or Regional Association of Religious Private Schools	52.2	4,111.3	311.0
utheran Church, Missouri Synod	15.7	1,421.8	103.7
ational Association of Episcopal Schools	6.2	2,471.3	279.9
ational Association of Independent Schools	20.9	4,450.0	484.3
ational Association of Laboratory Schools			
ational Association of Private Schools for Exceptional Children	38.9	2,127.0	401.8
ther Association of Private Schools for Exceptional Children	12.6	538.7	84.3
ational Catholic Educational Association	56.5	16,494.0	632.8
ational Center for Neighborhood Enterprise		- •	
ational Coalition of Alternative Community Schools			
ational Federation of Church Schools			
ational Independent Private School Association	41.4	3,185.7	499.1
ational Society of Hebrew Day Schools	9.4	3,776.6	309.8
ral Roberts Educational Fellowship			
olomon Schechter Day Schools			
her Christian school association	26.9	2,165.5	169.6
her Jewish school association	13.1	4,266.2	555.1
her non-religious school association	94.5	15,537.7	1,291.1
her religious school association	80.1	6,635.6	521.9
t reported	511.2	20,136.9	1,808.4

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NOTE: Private schools may belong to more than one association.

Appendix B: Questionnaire

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE BUREAU OF THE CENSUS ACTING AS COLLECTING AGENT FOR ATIONAL CENTER FOR EDUCATION STATISTICS U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OMB No. 1850-0641 Approval Expires 07/31/92

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PRIVATE SCHOOLS SURVEY

1989-1990

Dear Principal/Headmaster/Headmistress:

The National Center for Education Statistics of the U.S. Department of Education, requests your participation in the Private Schools Survey. The purpose of this data collection affort is to obtain current information about private schools including: the type of school, length of school year, the number of students and teachers, and the number of high school graduates, if any. The data will be used to develop a profile of the providers of private education in the United States.

Private schools are a significant segment of the Nation's educational system. Results from previous surveys have shown that approximately 25 percent of all elementary and secondary schools in the United States are private and that these schools enroll approximately 12 percent of the Nation's children. The National Center for Education Statistics has instituted this survey in recognition of the importance of private education in the United States.

The U.S. Bureau of the Census is collecting these data for the National Center for Education Statistics by the authority of Sections 406(b) and (c) of the General Education Provisions Act, as amended (20 USC 1221e—1).

We estimate that it will take approximately 30 minutes to complete the questionnaire. If you have any questions regarding this estimate or any other aspect of this survey, send them to the U.S. Department of Education, Information Management and Compliance Division, Washington, DC 20202-4651; or to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project 1850-0641, Washington, DC 20503.

While there is no penalty for not responding, a high response rate is very important to the success of the survey. I, therefore, encourage you to participate in this voluntary effort by completing this questionnaire and returning it within 3 weeks to the Bureau of the Census. A preaddressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

I thank you for your cooperation in this very important effort.

Sincerely,

EMERSON J. ELLIOTT Acting Commissioner

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	INSTRI If you are unsure about how to answer a question, please give the best answer you can and make a comment in the "Comments" section. If you have any questions, please call the Bureau of the Census collect at (301) 763-2220.	Use ques it wi	the enclosed postage-paid stionnaire to the Bureau of thin the next 3 weeks. NK YOU FOR TAKING P	he Census. Please return
1.	Does your school serve any students in any grades 1—12 or in any comparable ungraded levels?	006	Please return it in the enclosed	PLETE THIS QUESTIONNAIRE to the Bureau of the Census preaddressed envelope. rour cooperation.
28	For what grade levels does your school offer instruction?		Instruction offered Mark (X) all that apply (a)	Enrollment October 1, 1989 (b)
	Mark the box for each grade in which instruction is offered in this school, whether or not there are any pupils enrolled in that grade.	007	1 🗆 Nursery	008
ĺ	•	009	1 Prekindergarten	010
b	How many students were enrolled in each grade on October 1, 1989?	011	1 🗆 Kindergarten	012
	Enter the number of students (in head counts) enrolled in this school on or about October 1, 1989.	013	1 🗆 1st	014
	by grade.	015	1 🗆 2nd	016
		017	1 🗆 3rd	018
		019	1 □ 4th	020
		021	1 ☐ 5th	022
		023	1 🗆 6th	024
		025	1 □ 7th	026
		027	1 □ 8th	028
		029	1 🗆 9th	030
		031	1 🗆 10th	032
		033	1 □ 11th	034
		035	1 □ 12th	036
		037	1 □ 13th	038
		039	1 □ 14 th	040
c.	What is the total number of students who were	041	1 Ungraded	042
	enrolled in your school on October 1, 1989?		TOTAL	043
	Including 1989 summer graduates, how many of your students received a regular high school diploma in the 1988—89 school year?	044	Students	
CH	CK ITEM A		. □Van C- to too St	
	Does this school currently have students in the 12th grade?	045	1 \square Yes — Go to item 3b 2 \square No — Skip to item 4,	page 3
	Including 1990 summer graduates, how many of your students would you estimate will receive a regular high school diploma in the 1989—90 school year?	046	Students	

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4.	How many days are in the school year for students in the HIGHEST grade?	047 Days
5.	How long is the school day for students in the HIGHEST grade?	048 Hours
	•	Minutes
CH	ECK ITEM B Does this school offer instruction for the nursery end/or prekindergarten levels?	050 1 ☐ Yes — Go to item 6a 2 ☐ No — Skip to item 7a
6a.	How many persons teaching the nursery and/or prekindergarten grades were employed at your school on or about October 1, 1989? (Do not	Full-time teachers
	include substitute teachers or student teachers. Include only filled positions; do not count vacant positions. Consider only the amount of time an	Teach at least 3/4 time but less than full time
	individual is employed as a teacher during a typical day at your school.)	Teach at least 1/2 time but less than 3/4 time
		Teach at least 1/4 time but less than 1/2 time
		Teach less than 1/4 time
b.	What is the total number of persons teaching the nursery and/or prekindergarten grades who were employed at your school on or about October 1, 1989? (Use the guidelines stated above)	Total number of teachers
7a.	How many persons teaching in grades K-12 and/or the comparable ungraded levels were employed at your school on or about October 1, 1989? (Do not include substitute teachers or student teachers.	Full-time teachers
	Include only filled positions; do not count vacant positions. Consider only the amount of time an individual is employed as a teacher during a typical	Teach at least 3/4 time but less than full time
	day at your school.)	Teach at least 1/2 time but less than 3/4 time Teach at least 1/4 time but less than 1/2 time
		Teach less than 1/4 time
b.	What is the total number of persons teaching grades	
	K-12 and/or the comparable ungraded levels who were employed at your school on or about October 1, 1989? (Use the guidelines stated above)	Total number of teachers
8.	is this school operated in a private home that is used as a family residence?	063 1 ☐ Yes 2 ☐ No
9a.	Does this school have a religious orientation, purpose, or affiliation?	1 064 1 Yes — Go to item 9b 2 No — Skip to item 9e, page 4
b.	Is this school FORMALLY affiliated with a national religious denomination?	085 1 Yes 2 No
Co	mments	
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9C. What is this school's religious orientation, purpose, or affiliation?	1 Amish	\
Mark (X) only one box.	2☐ Assembly of God	
•	3□ Baptist	
	5 ☐ Christian (no specific denomination)	
	Church of Christ	
	7□ Church of God	
	s□ Disciples of Christ	
	e□ Episcopal	0 4 != 4 =
	10□ Friends	Skip to item 9e
	11 Greek Orthodox	
	12 Uslamic	
	13 ☐ Jewish 14 ☐ Latter Day Saints	
	15 Lutheran	
	16 Mennonite	I
	17 ☐ Methodist	
	18 ☐ Pentacostal	
	19 ☐ Presbyterian	
	20 ☐ Roman Catholic — Go to item 9d	_
	21 D Seventh Day Adventist	Skil
	22□ Other — Specify ⊋	to
	İ	iter
) ⁹
. Is this school —	067 1 Parochial? (or inter-parochial?)	
Mark (X) only one box.	2 Diocesan?	
	3 Private?	
. Is your school a member of any associations?	·	
	1 ☐ Yes — Go to item 9f, page 5	
	2 □ No — Skip to item 10s, page 6	
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9f. Which associations is your	1 Accelerated Christian Education
school a member of?	070 2□ Alternative School Network
Mark (X) all that apply. If none,	3☐ American Association of Christian Schools
mark the last box.	072 4□ American Montessori Society
	5☐ Other Montessori Associations
	1074 s□ Association of Christian Schools International
	1075 7☐ Associaton of Military Colleges and Schools
	1076 s ☐ Association of Evangelical Lutheran Churches
	1077 9 Bilingual School Association
	10 Christian Schools International
	1079 11 Council of Bilingual Education
	1080 12 Other Association of Bilingual Education
	081 13 Council for Exceptional Children
	14 Early Childhood Education Association
	083 15 Other Early Childhood Education Association
	18 European Council for International Schools
	085 17 Other Association for International Schools
	18 Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (formerly ALC or LCA)
	19 Evangelical Lutheran Church — Wisconsin Synod
	1088 20 Friends Council on Education
	1089 21 General Conference of Seventh Day Adventists
	22 Jesuit Secondary Education Association
	23 Local State or Regional Independent School Association
	24 Local State or Regional Association of Religious Private Schools
	25 Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod
	26 National Association of Episcopal Schools
	27 National Association of Independent Schools
	28 National Association of Laboratory Schools
	29 National Association of Private Schools for Exceptional Children
	30 Other Association of Private Schools for Exceptional Children
	1099 31 National Catholic Education Association
	100 32 National Center for Neighborhood Enterprise
	101 33 National Coalition of Alternative Community Schools
	34 National Federation of Church Schools
	103 35 National Independent Private School Association
	36 National Society of Hebrew Day Schools
	1105 37 Oral Roberts Educational Fellowship
	38 Solomon Schechter Day Schools
	1 107 39 Other Christian school association
	40 Other Jewish school association
	41 Other non-religious school association
	1110 42 Other religious school association
	1111 43 None
Comments	

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10a.	Which of the following best describes to Mark (X) only one box.	112	dary ary with a primarily	Skip to				
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Ь.	Is a major role of this school to support	 home	113	 1 □ Yes	er — S ki ———	p to item 11 		
11.	In what year did this achool most recent begin operating? Enter the most recent year the school begs		114	2 No		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
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