Table 185.-Graduation and college participation rates of high school students, by selected school characteristics: 1999-2000

| Selected school characteristics | Number of schools with 12th-graders | 1999 graduation rate of fall 1998 12thgraders | Average rate of attendance at colleges and universities |  |  | Average rate of attendance at technical schools |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Total | 4 -year institutions | 2-year institutions |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|  | Public schools |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total .................................................................... | 19,959 (232) | 91.5 (0.3) | 65.9 (0.4) | 41.9 (0.4) | 24.0 (0.3) | 8.1 (0.1) |
| Percent minority students |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less than 5\% ........................................................ | 6,448 (164) | 95.1 (0.2) | 65.3 (0.6) | 44.9 (0.6) | 20.4 (0.5) | 9.1 (0.4) |
| 5\% to 19\% | 4,524 (177) | 93.7 (0.3) | 68.0 (0.8) | 45.5 (0.8) | 22.6 (0.5) | 7.9 (0.3) |
| 20\% to 49\% | 4,079 (169) | 91.2 (0.4) | 65.4 (0.9) | 40.9 (0.8) | 24.6 (0.7) | 7.8 (0.3) |
| 50\% or more ........................................................ | 4,909 (154) | 86.9 (0.9) | 65.0 (0.8) | 37.4 (0.9) | 27.6 (0.8) | 7.7 (0.3) |
| Community type |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Central city .......................................................... | 3,562 (145) | 87.7 (0.8) | 68.2 (0.7) | 42.8 (0.9) | 25.4 (0.8) | 7.5 (0.3) |
| Suburban/large town ............................................ | 7,864 (166) | 92.6 (0.4) | 68.2 (0.6) | 43.7 (0.6) | 24.5 (0.4) | 7.5 (0.2) |
| Small town/rural | 8,533 (176) | 93.3 (0.4) | 58.8 (0.5) | 37.4 (0.5) | 21.4 (0.5) | 10.1 (0.3) |
|  | Private schools |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 7,602 (242) | 99.2 (0.1) | 89.7 (0.6) | 76.9 (0.8) | 12.8 (0.5) | 3.3 (0.2) |
| Percent minority students |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less than 5\% ....................................................... | 2,684 (153) | 98.8 (0.2) | 85.9 (1.1) | 71.0 (1.6) | 14.9 (1.1) | 4.3 (0.5) |
| 5\% to 19\% | 2,448 (130) | 99.5 (0.1) | 92.0 (0.8) | 81.9 (1.0) | 10.1 (0.6) | 2.4 (0.2) |
| 20\% to 49\% ........................................................ | 1,434 (98) | 99.0 (0.1) | 93.0 (0.8) | 79.9 (1.8) | 13.0 (1.6) | 2.4 (0.3) |
| 50\% or more | 1,036 (111) | 99.2 (0.3) | 84.2 (2.9) | 67.4 (4.2) | 16.8 (1.9) | 5.6 (1.4) |
| Community type |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Central city .......................................................... | 2,895 (154) | 99.3 (0.1) | 90.6 (0.8) | 78.0 (1.3) | 12.6 (0.7) | 3.5 (0.3) |
| Suburban/large town ............................................. | 2,908 (154) | 99.3 (0.1) | 90.2 (0.9) | 77.5 (1.3) | 12.7 (0.9) | 2.8 (0.4) |
| Small town/rural ....................................................... | 1,800 (141) | 98.2 (0.4) | 82.2 (2.1) | 67.9 (2.5) | 14.3 (1.6) | 3.6 (0.5) | tail may not sum to totals due to rounding. Standard errors appear in parentheses.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Schools and Staffing Survey (SASS), "Public School Questionnaire," "Charter School Questionnaire," and "Private School Questionnaire," 1999-2000. (This table was prepared October 2002).

