

Table 32. Pupil/teacher ratios in elementary and secondary schools, by control of institution, with alternative projections: Fall 1988 to fall 2013

Year	Total	Public	Private
1988 ¹	17.0	17.3	15.2
1989 ²	16.7	17.2	13.8
1990 ²	16.9	17.2	14.7
1991 ²	17.0	17.3	14.9
1992 ²	17.1	17.4	14.7
1993 ²	17.0	17.4	14.6
1994 ²	17.0	17.3	14.7
1995 ³	17.0	17.3	14.9
1996 ³	16.8	17.1	14.9
1997 ³	16.6	16.8	15.1
1998 ³	16.3	16.4	15.2
1999 ³	16.0	16.1	15.2
2000 ³	16.0	16.0	15.8
2001 ³	15.9	15.9	15.9
Middle alternative projections			
2002	16.1	16.1	16.2
2003	16.1	16.1	16.3
2004	16.2	16.2	16.4
2005	16.2	16.2	16.3
2006	16.2	16.2	16.4
2007	16.2	16.1	16.4
2008	16.0	16.0	16.3
2009	15.9	15.9	16.2
2010	15.9	15.8	16.2
2011	15.8	15.8	16.2
2012	15.8	15.8	16.2
2013	15.8	15.7	16.1
Low alternative projections (Based on high alternative projections of teachers)			
2002	16.1	16.1	16.2
2003	16.2	16.1	16.3
2004	16.1	16.0	16.2
2005	16.0	16.0	16.1
2006	16.1	16.1	16.2
2007	15.9	15.9	16.1
2008	15.7	15.7	16.0
2009	15.6	15.6	16.0
2010	15.5	15.5	15.9
2011	15.5	15.4	15.8
2012	15.4	15.4	15.8
2013	15.4	15.4	15.7
High alternative projections (Based on low alternative projections of teachers)			
2002	16.1	16.1	16.2
2003	16.2	16.1	16.3
2004	16.3	16.3	16.5
2005	16.4	16.4	16.6
2006	16.5	16.4	16.7
2007	16.5	16.5	16.8
2008	16.5	16.4	16.8
2009	16.4	16.4	16.8
2010	16.5	16.4	16.9
2011	16.5	16.5	16.9
2012	16.5	16.5	16.9
2013	16.6	16.5	16.9

¹ Private school numbers are estimated on the basis on past data.

² Private school teacher numbers are from the Early Estimates survey and private school enrollment numbers are from the Private School Universe Survey.

³ Private school numbers are projected or interpolated.

NOTE: The pupil/teacher ratios were derived from tables 2 and 31. Some data have been revised from previously published figures. Mean absolute percentage errors of selected education statistics can be found in table A2, appendix A.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, The NCES Common Core of Data (CCD), "State Nonfiscal Survey of Public Elementary/Secondary Education," various years; "Early Estimates of Public Elementary/Secondary Education Survey," various years; Private School Survey Early Estimates, various years; and Elementary and Secondary Teacher Model. (This table was prepared July 2003.)