

Table 417.—Selected statistics on public school library/media centers, by level and enrollment size of school: 1999–2000

Selected statistics	Public elementary, secondary, and combined <sup>1</sup>	Elementary libraries, by enrollment size of school					Secondary libraries, by enrollment size of school				
		Total	Less than 150	150 to 499	500 to 749	750 or more	Total	Less than 500	500 to 749	750 to 1,499	1,500 or more
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
<b>Average number of staff per library</b>											
Total .....	1.89 (0.02)	1.80 (0.02)	1.42 (0.05)	1.69 (0.03)	1.93 (0.03)	2.09 (0.08)	2.21 (0.02)	1.68 (0.03)	1.94 (0.04)	2.48 (0.03)	3.47 (0.06)
Certified library/media specialists ..	0.81 (0.01)	0.74 (0.01)	0.62 (0.04)	0.71 (0.02)	0.77 (0.02)	0.80 (0.03)	1.06 (0.01)	0.86 (0.02)	0.94 (0.02)	1.15 (0.01)	1.56 (0.03)
Full-time .....	0.65 (0.01)	0.56 (0.01)	0.25 (0.04)	0.48 (0.01)	0.69 (0.02)	0.73 (0.03)	0.94 (0.01)	0.64 (0.02)	0.91 (0.02)	1.10 (0.01)	1.49 (0.03)
Part-time .....	0.16 (0.01)	0.17 (0.01)	0.38 (0.04)	0.24 (0.01)	0.08 (0.01)	0.07 (0.01)	0.12 (0.01)	0.23 (0.01)	0.03 (0.01)	0.04 (0.01)	0.07 (0.01)
Other professional staff .....	0.17 (0.01)	0.18 (0.01)	0.11 (0.02)	0.16 (0.01)	0.19 (0.02)	0.22 (0.03)	0.15 (0.01)	0.15 (0.01)	0.14 (0.02)	0.14 (0.01)	0.18 (0.02)
Full-time .....	0.12 (0.01)	0.12 (0.01)	0.04 (0.01)	0.10 (0.01)	0.14 (0.01)	0.18 (0.03)	0.10 (0.01)	0.10 (0.01)	0.09 (0.01)	0.11 (0.01)	0.13 (0.02)
Part-time .....	0.06 (2)	0.06 (0.01)	0.07 (0.02)	0.06 (0.01)	0.05 (0.01)	0.04 (0.02)	0.05 (0.01)	0.05 (0.01)	0.05 (0.01)	0.04 (0.01)	0.05 (0.01)
Other paid employees .....	0.91 (0.01)	0.88 (0.02)	0.69 (0.03)	0.81 (0.03)	0.96 (0.03)	1.07 (0.06)	1.00 (0.02)	0.67 (0.02)	0.86 (0.03)	1.19 (0.02)	1.73 (0.05)
Full-time .....	0.49 (0.01)	0.44 (0.01)	0.26 (0.04)	0.36 (0.01)	0.51 (0.03)	0.67 (0.04)	0.67 (0.02)	0.36 (0.02)	0.52 (0.03)	0.85 (0.03)	1.35 (0.04)
Part-time .....	0.41 (0.01)	0.44 (0.02)	0.42 (0.04)	0.45 (0.03)	0.45 (0.03)	0.40 (0.05)	0.33 (0.01)	0.31 (0.02)	0.33 (0.03)	0.34 (0.02)	0.38 (0.03)
<b>Percentage of schools' library media centers with the following equipment</b>											
Telephone .....	84.8 (0.5)	82.8 (0.7)	70.1 (4.2)	77.4 (1.3)	90.0 (1.2)	92.4 (1.4)	91.5 (0.5)	82.5 (1.1)	94.4 (0.9)	98.3 (0.4)	99.6 (0.2)
Fax machine .....	11.5 (0.4)	8.1 (0.5)	6.6 (1.7)	6.7 (0.7)	9.7 (1.0)	10.6 (1.4)	22.2 (0.6)	14.2 (1.2)	22.4 (1.8)	26.8 (1.3)	35.1 (2.2)
Automated catalog .....	61.2 (0.8)	59.8 (1.0)	35.1 (4.3)	55.5 (1.4)	67.4 (1.6)	70.5 (2.2)	66.8 (0.9)	56.7 (1.6)	69.7 (2.2)	75.5 (1.3)	75.0 (1.8)
Automated circulation system .....	74.4 (0.7)	73.2 (0.9)	45.6 (4.1)	67.0 (1.4)	83.7 (1.3)	86.3 (1.7)	79.9 (0.7)	63.9 (1.6)	85.5 (1.4)	91.6 (0.8)	95.1 (1.0)
Video laser disc or DVD .....	43.0 (0.7)	41.8 (0.9)	25.0 (4.3)	36.1 (1.2)	49.0 (2.1)	54.3 (2.4)	47.7 (0.9)	34.3 (1.5)	49.3 (2.1)	60.7 (1.7)	58.6 (2.0)
Connection to Internet .....	56.5 (0.8)	56.4 (1.1)	63.5 (4.4)	56.7 (1.5)	56.1 (1.7)	52.6 (2.3)	56.8 (0.9)	62.9 (1.8)	54.2 (2.2)	52.9 (1.4)	50.2 (2.0)
Cable television .....	77.4 (0.7)	76.6 (0.8)	56.8 (3.6)	77.4 (1.2)	78.4 (1.7)	79.5 (2.0)	82.2 (0.7)	77.0 (1.4)	83.2 (1.5)	87.3 (1.2)	85.6 (1.8)
Broadcast television .....	43.4 (0.8)	43.9 (1.0)	29.5 (3.6)	41.7 (1.5)	46.9 (1.9)	51.8 (2.4)	42.9 (0.9)	34.8 (1.4)	43.8 (2.4)	49.0 (1.4)	52.1 (1.7)
Closed circuit television .....	25.0 (0.7)	23.3 (0.8)	5.4 (1.9)	18.5 (1.0)	27.3 (1.9)	39.8 (2.1)	30.8 (0.8)	20.2 (1.6)	29.5 (1.7)	40.7 (1.3)	42.4 (1.9)
Satellite dish .....	27.9 (0.6)	20.5 (0.7)	36.9 (5.1)	17.6 (1.1)	20.0 (1.4)	23.5 (2.0)	49.9 (0.9)	50.9 (1.8)	53.6 (2.2)	49.5 (1.7)	43.6 (2.1)
<b>Percentage of schools where—</b>											
Long distance learning offered .....	21.2 (0.5)	15.2 (0.6)	23.2 (4.3)	14.3 (0.8)	13.7 (1.1)	17.4 (1.6)	38.1 (0.8)	45.7 (1.5)	36.0 (2.4)	31.5 (1.3)	32.4 (2.1)
Students permitted to check out computer hardware .....	2.2 (0.1)	1.2 (0.2)	0.7 (0.2)	1.2 (0.2)	1.6 (0.3)	0.5 (0.2)	5.5 (0.4)	6.1 (0.7)	3.6 (0.8)	5.0 (0.6)	6.9 (1.2)
Students permitted to check out computer software .....	6.9 (0.3)	4.5 (0.4)	8.4 (2.2)	4.4 (0.5)	4.5 (0.7)	3.3 (0.8)	14.3 (0.7)	13.8 (1.3)	12.4 (1.2)	15.2 (1.2)	16.3 (1.6)
Total students using library per 100 students each week <sup>3</sup> .....	94.9 (0.9)	106.6 (1.1)	202.2 (20.5)	121.9 (1.8)	109.0 (2.0)	80.6 (1.8)	73.4 (1.1)	119.0 (3.7)	80.4 (2.4)	69.6 (1.7)	59.9 (1.8)
Books checked out per 100 students each week <sup>3</sup> .....	106.2 (1.6)	146.2 (2.4)	267.9 (27.9)	174.6 (4.5)	152.1 (3.9)	98.8 (2.9)	32.2 (1.4)	75.6 (4.0)	39.7 (3.3)	25.6 (1.4)	21.7 (2.7)
<b>Average holdings per 100 students at the end of the 1999–2000 school year</b>											
Books (number of volumes) .....	1,802 (20)	1,893 (26)	5,817 (406)	2,377 (46)	1,740 (31)	1,322 (51)	1,607 (26)	3,543 (137)	1,957 (88)	1,416 (39)	1,039 (32)
Video materials (tape and disc) .....	51 (1)	51 (1)	130 (22)	59 (2)	48 (2)	41 (2)	51 (1)	102 (6)	54 (3)	45 (2)	38 (2)
CD-ROM titles .....	8 (4)	10 (4)	29 (6)	12 (1)	9 (4)	7 (1)	5 (4)	13 (1)	6 (1)	5 (1)	2 (4)
<b>Expenditures (all sources) per student, 1999–2000</b>											
Total, library/media materials .....	\$23.37 (0.44)	\$22.99 (0.63)	\$68.71 (7.69)	\$24.88 (0.87)	\$21.07 (0.79)	\$20.98 (1.82)	\$23.84 (0.46)	\$42.15 (1.86)	\$29.88 (1.65)	\$21.31 (0.54)	\$18.20 (0.62)
Books .....	9.97 (0.15)	10.47 (0.23)	25.13 (2.31)	11.32 (0.29)	10.09 (0.43)	9.26 (0.56)	8.95 (0.17)	14.89 (0.67)	10.68 (0.56)	8.19 (0.26)	7.16 (0.31)
Video materials .....	1.07 (0.02)	1.04 (0.03)	2.31 (0.55)	1.12 (0.05)	0.98 (0.04)	0.97 (0.07)	1.13 (0.03)	2.04 (0.12)	1.25 (0.08)	1.03 (0.04)	0.89 (0.04)
CD-ROM titles .....	0.59 (0.02)	0.55 (0.03)	1.92 (0.46)	0.66 (0.05)	0.55 (0.05)	0.36 (0.04)	0.64 (0.02)	1.02 (0.06)	0.74 (0.06)	0.68 (0.05)	0.46 (0.03)
Current serial subscriptions .....	1.26 (0.02)	0.98 (0.02)	3.67 (0.53)	1.20 (0.03)	0.87 (0.03)	0.71 (0.05)	1.75 (0.03)	3.91 (0.14)	2.30 (0.11)	1.57 (0.04)	1.04 (0.03)
Electronic subscriptions .....	0.81 (0.02)	0.32 (0.02)	0.73 (0.23)	0.34 (0.04)	0.30 (0.04)	0.30 (0.04)	1.74 (0.04)	2.00 (0.12)	1.92 (0.13)	1.79 (0.08)	1.56 (0.06)
Microcomputer hardware .....	7.48 (0.31)	7.31 (0.39)	30.98 (5.90)	7.77 (0.71)	6.71 (0.54)	6.39 (0.90)	7.68 (0.37)	14.94 (1.68)	10.71 (0.48)	6.15 (0.32)	5.70 (0.44)
Other audiovisual equipment .....	2.19 (0.18)	2.32 (0.27)	3.97 (1.20)	2.48 (0.32)	1.59 (0.10)	2.98 (0.78)	1.94 (0.07)	3.35 (0.21)	2.28 (0.14)	1.90 (0.10)	1.40 (0.09)

<sup>1</sup> Public school data include charter schools.<sup>2</sup> Data less than 0.005.<sup>3</sup> During the most recent full week of school.<sup>4</sup> Data less than 0.5.

NOTE: Percentages are based on schools that have library/media centers. Detail 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 Library Media Center Questionnaire," 1999–2000; and "Public Charter School Questionnaire," 1999–2000, unpublished data. (This table was prepared October 2002.)