

Table 51.—Public school pupils transported at public expense and current expenditures for transportation: 1929–30 to 1999–2000

School year	Average daily attendance, all students	Pupils transported at public expense		Expenditures for transportation (in current dollars)		Expenditures for transportation (in constant 1999–2000 dollars)	
		Number	Percent of total	Total ¹ (in thousands)	Average per pupil transported	Total ¹ (in thousands)	Average per pupil transported
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1929–30	21,265,000	1,902,826	8.9	\$54,823	\$29	\$542,215	\$285
1931–32	22,245,000	2,419,173	10.9	58,078	24	681,982	282
1933–34	22,458,000	2,794,724	12.4	53,908	19	689,185	247
1935–36	22,299,000	3,250,658	14.6	62,653	19	771,842	237
1937–38	22,298,000	3,769,242	16.9	75,637	20	893,874	237
1939–40	22,042,000	4,144,161	18.8	83,283	20	1,008,883	243
1941–42	21,031,000	4,503,081	21.4	92,922	21	1,008,912	224
1943–44	19,603,000	4,512,412	23.0	107,754	24	1,046,880	232
1945–46	19,849,000	5,056,966	25.5	129,756	26	1,204,180	238
1947–48	20,910,000	5,854,041	28.0	176,265	30	1,280,698	219
1949–50	22,284,000	6,947,384	31.2	214,504	31	1,533,328	221
1951–52	23,257,000	7,697,130	33.1	268,827	35	1,731,547	225
1953–54	25,643,871	8,411,719	32.8	307,437	37	1,935,394	230
1955–56	27,740,149	9,695,819	35.0	353,972	37	2,229,090	230
1957–58	29,722,275	10,861,689	36.5	416,491	38	2,468,961	227
1959–60	32,477,440	12,225,142	37.6	486,338	40	2,802,067	229
1961–62	34,682,340	13,222,667	38.1	576,361	44	3,246,168	246
1963–64	37,405,058	14,475,778	38.7	673,845	47	3,698,741	256
1965–66	39,154,497	15,536,567	39.7	787,358	51	4,177,429	269
1967–68	40,827,965	17,130,873	42.0	981,006	57	4,883,453	285
1969–70	41,934,376	18,198,577	43.4	1,218,557	67	5,461,071	300
1971–72	42,254,272	19,474,355	46.1	1,507,830	77	6,203,246	319
1973–74	41,438,054	21,347,039	51.5	1,858,141	87	6,746,775	316
1975–76	41,269,720	21,772,483	52.8	2,377,313	109	7,257,025	333
1977–78	40,079,590	² 21,800,000	54.4	2,731,041	² 125	7,381,786	² 339
1979–80	38,288,911	21,713,515	56.7	3,833,145	177	8,358,827	385
1980–81	37,703,744	² 22,272,000	59.1	² 4,408,000	² 198	² 8,615,000	² 387
1981–82	37,094,652	² 22,246,000	60.0	² 4,793,000	² 215	² 8,622,000	² 388
1982–83	36,635,868	² 22,199,000	60.6	² 5,000,000	² 225	² 8,624,000	² 388
1983–84	36,362,978	² 22,031,000	60.6	² 5,284,000	² 240	² 8,789,000	² 399
1984–85	36,404,261	² 22,320,000	61.3	² 5,722,000	² 256	² 9,159,000	² 410
1985–86	36,523,103	² 22,041,000	60.3	² 6,123,000	² 278	² 9,526,000	² 432
1986–87	36,863,867	² 22,397,000	60.8	² 6,551,000	² 292	² 9,970,000	² 445
1987–88	37,050,707	² 22,158,000	59.8	² 6,888,000	² 311	² 10,066,000	² 454
1988–89	37,268,072	² 22,635,000	60.7	² 7,550,000	² 334	² 10,547,000	² 466
1989–90	37,799,296	² 22,459,000	59.4	8,030,990	² 358	10,707,481	² 477
1990–91	38,426,543	² 22,000,000	57.3	8,678,954	² 394	10,971,554	² 499
1991–92	38,960,783	² 23,165,000	59.5	8,769,754	² 379	10,742,136	² 464
1992–93	39,570,462	² 23,439,000	59.2	9,252,300	² 395	10,989,934	² 469
1993–94	40,146,393	² 23,858,000	59.4	9,627,155	² 404	11,146,449	² 467
1994–95	40,720,763	² 23,693,000	58.2	9,889,034	² 417	11,130,620	² 470
1995–96	41,501,596	² 24,155,000	58.2	10,396,426	² 430	11,391,791	² 472
1996–97	42,262,004	² 24,090,000	57.0	10,989,809	² 456	11,707,949	² 486
1997–98	42,765,774	² 24,342,000	56.9	11,465,658	² 471	12,000,867	² 493
1998–99	43,186,715	² 24,898,000	57.7	12,224,454	² 491	12,577,350	² 505
1999–2000	43,806,726	² 24,951,000	57.0	13,006,821	² 521	13,006,821	² 521

¹ Excludes capital outlay for years through 1979–80, and 1989–90 to the latest year. From 1980–81 to 1988–89 total transportation figures include capital outlay.

² Estimate based on data appearing in January issues of *School Bus Fleet*.

NOTE: Constant dollars are adjusted for inflation using the Consumer Price Index computed on a school year basis. Some data have been revised from previously published figures.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Statistics of State School Systems; Revenues and Expenditures for Public Elementary and Secondary Education*, Common Core of Data survey; and unpublished data; and Bobit Publishing Co., *School Bus Fleet*, January issues. (This table was prepared September 2002.)