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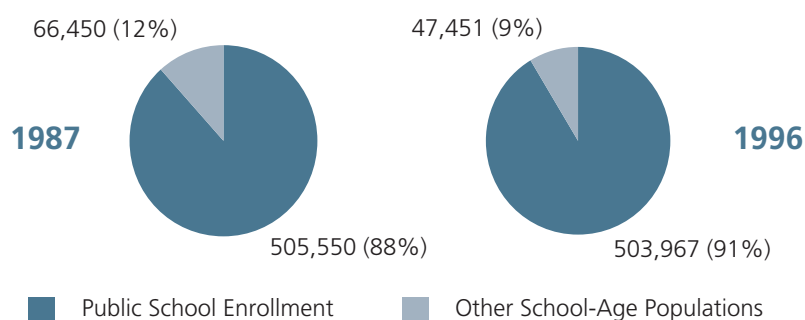
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GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

1987	1996	Demographics
505,550	503,967	Students in public elementary and secondary schools
955	1,007	Public schools
26,930	29,293	Teachers in public elementary and secondary schools
47,716	47,716	Land area in square miles
10.6	10.6	Public school students per square mile
2.0	2.1	Public schools per 100 square miles

Figure 1

School-age population in public elementary and secondary schools



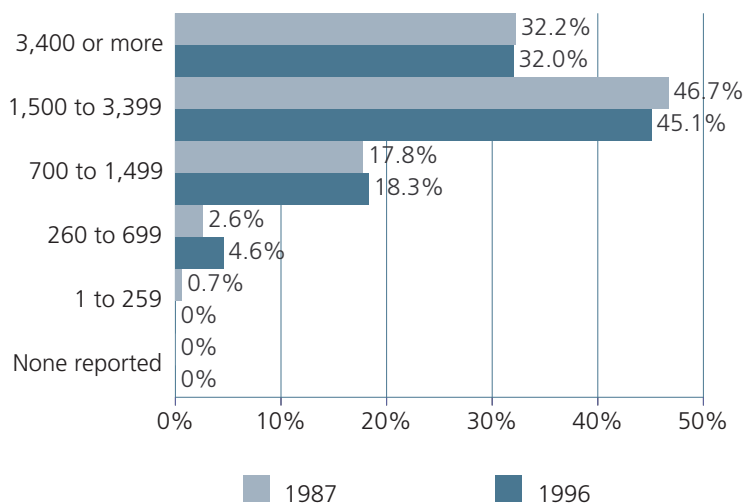
1987	1996	Fiscal summary
2,589	2,711	State population (in thousands)
\$1,787	\$3,443	State revenue per capita
\$1,607	\$3,298	State expenditure per capita
\$375	\$548	State expenditure for elem. and secondary education per capita
\$63,190	\$102,293	Gross state product per school-age child

AGENCY/SCHOOL INFORMATION

1987		1996		Distribution of agencies by type
100%	167	100%	164	Total public education agencies
91.0%	152	93.3%	153	Regular school districts
9.0%	15	0.0%	0	Regional service agencies
0.0%	0	6.1%	10	State-operated agencies
0.0%	0	0.6%	1	Federally operated and other types

1987		1996		Distribution of agencies by number of schools
0.0%	0	0.0%	0	100 or more schools
0.6%	1	0.6%	1	25 to 99 schools
12.0%	20	14.0%	23	10 to 24 schools
41.3%	69	41.5%	68	5 to 9 schools
39.5%	66	43.9%	72	1 to 4 schools
6.6%	11	0.0%	0	No schools reported

Figure 2
Regular school districts by student membership size



1987		1996		Distribution of schools by type
100%	955	100%	1,007	Total public elementary and secondary schools reported
89.7%	857	87.4%	880	Regular schools
1.5%	14	0.0%	0	Special education schools
8.4%	80	8.6%	87	Vocational schools
0.4%	4	4.0%	40	Other and alternative schools

Figure 3
Distribution of public schools and students by type of locale: 1996-97

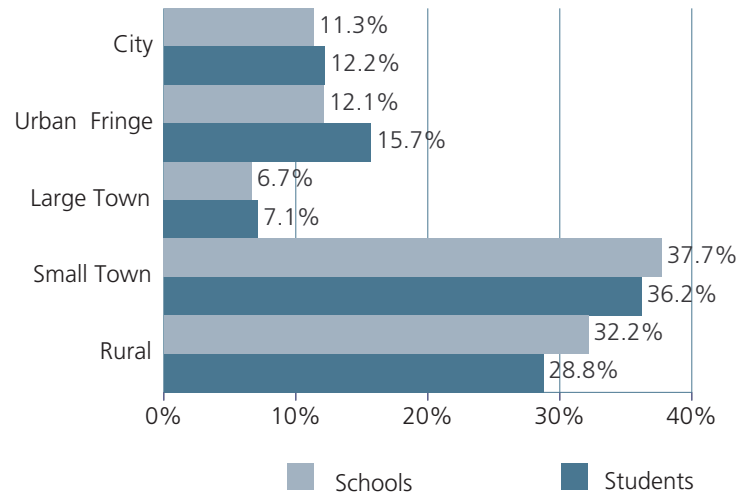
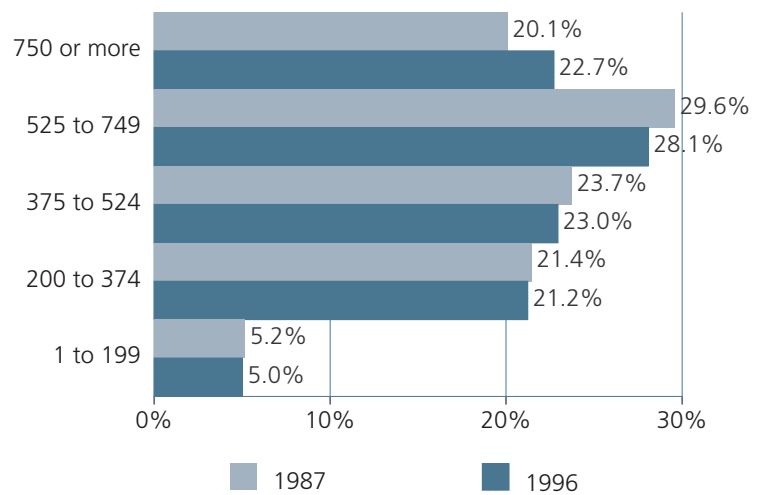


Figure 4
Public schools by size of student membership

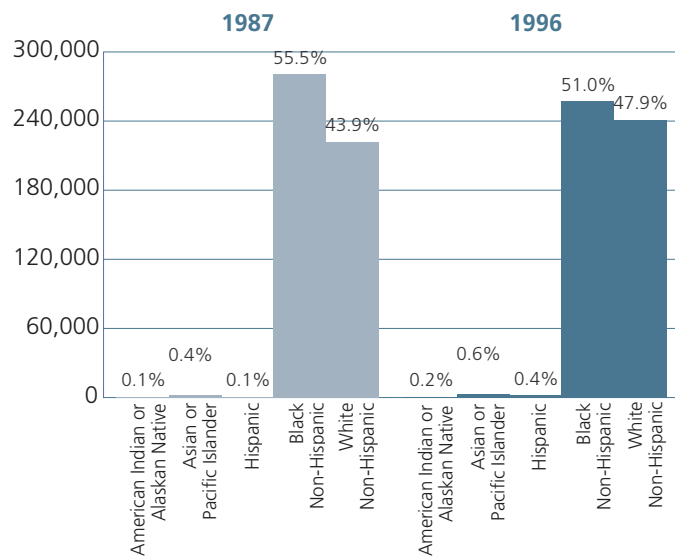


	1987	1996	Number of public schools by grade span category	
33.0%	315	30.8%	310	PK, K, 1 to 3, 4, 5, 6
5.1%	49	5.1%	51	PK, K, 1 to 8
9.3%	89	11.2%	113	4, 5, 6, to 6, 7, 8
5.1%	49	3.7%	37	7 to 8, 9
5.8%	55	5.3%	53	7, 8 to 12
11.2%	107	12.3%	124	9, 10, 11 to 12
20.4%	195	17.4%	175	Other grades
1.4%	13	1.3%	13	Ungraded
8.7%	83	13.0%	131	Not reported

STUDENT INFORMATION

1987	1996	Public school membership by grade
154	1,052	Prekindergarten
37,766	39,459	Kindergarten
46,425	43,401	First
42,079	39,406	Second
39,859	38,145	Third
39,223	37,315	Fourth
39,598	37,795	Fifth
36,424	38,102	Sixth
38,710	40,558	Seventh
35,503	38,879	Eighth
38,370	43,295	Ninth
35,224	35,243	Tenth
31,841	29,357	Eleventh
30,281	25,711	Twelfth
14,093	16,249	Ungraded

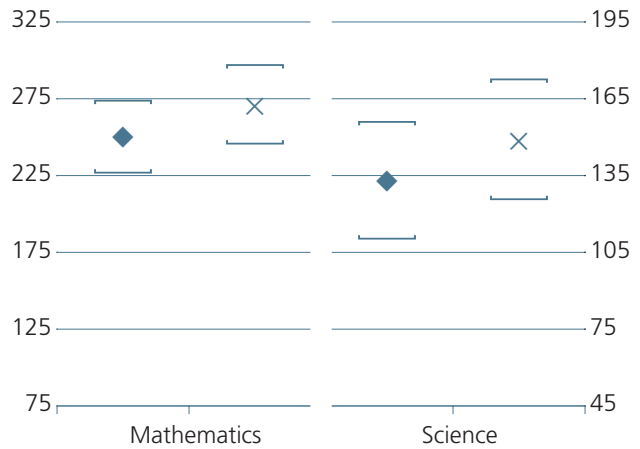
Figure 5
Public school student membership by racial/ethnic category



1987	1996	
—	13.2%	Students in special education with IEPs
—	55.5%	School membership eligible for free lunch
—	21.8%	School-age children below poverty

1987		1995		High school completers and dropouts
100.0%	26,201	91.6%	23,032	Regular diploma
—	—	0.0%	4	Other diploma
—	—	0.0%	4	High school equivalency
—	—	2.3%	547	Other completers
—	—	—	6.2%	Dropouts
—	—	—	59.3%	Dropouts who were male
—	—	—	56.5%	Dropouts who were minority

Figure 6
Grade 8 1996 Mathematics and Science average scale scores for the state (♦) and nation (×) and the 25th (—) and 75th (—) percentiles

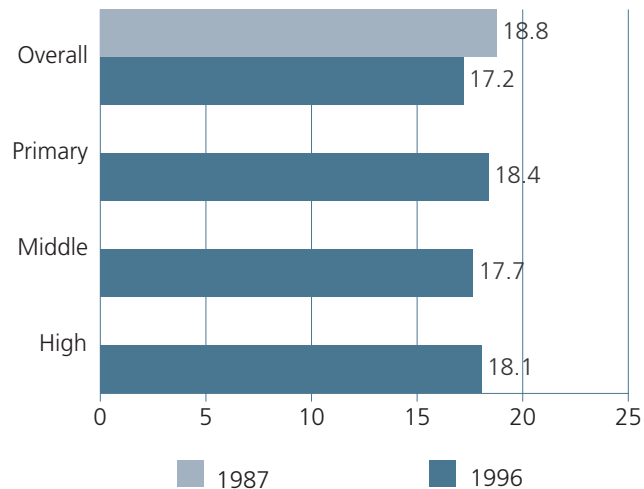


Grade 4	Grade 8	1996 Mathematics and Science achievement levels
208.4	250.2	Average Mathematics scale score [scale 0 to 500]
58.0%	64.4%	Students below basic level
42.0%	35.6%	Students at or above basic level
8.0%	7.2%	Students at or above proficient level
0.4%	0.4%	Students at advanced level
—	133.0	Average Science scale score [scale 0 to 300]
—	60.7%	Students below basic level
—	39.3%	Students at or above basic level
—	12.3%	Students at or above proficient level
—	0.7%	Students at advanced level

STAFF INFORMATION

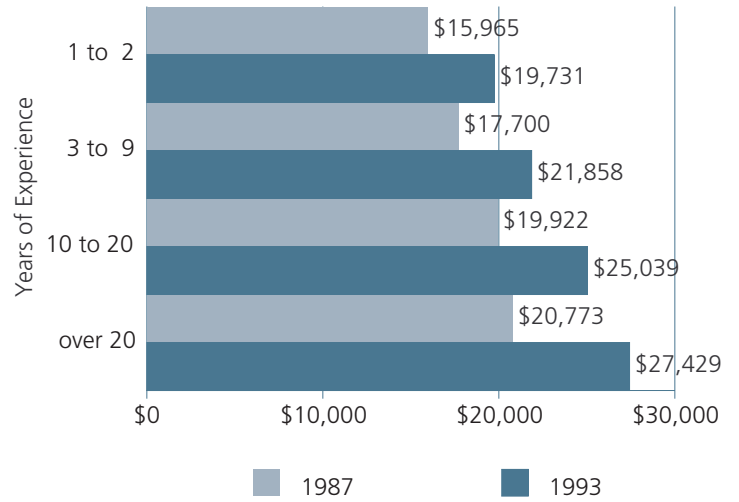
	1987	1996	Educational staff	
100%	42,541	100%	61,125	Total education staff
				Instructional staff
63.3%	26,930	47.9%	29,293	Teachers
18.2%	7,754	14.1%	8,615	Instructional aides
				Support staff
1.8%	747	1.4%	869	Guidance counselors/directors
2.3%	986	1.9%	1,141	Librarians/library support
5.5%	2,333	5.3%	3,263	Administrative support
3.8%	1,629	24.7%	15,105	Other support services
				Administrators
2.8%	1,212	2.5%	1,499	School-based
2.2%	949	2.2%	1,340	School district officials/administrators

Figure 7
Average number of students per teacher, by grade level



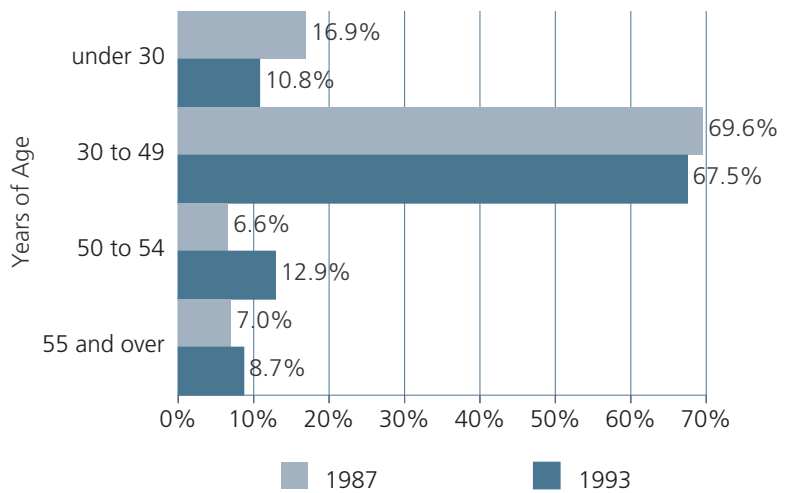
	1987	1996	
	1.7	0.9	Teacher to all other staff ratio
	12.5	10.3	Teacher to administrator ratio

Figure 8
Average salary of full-time teachers by years of experience



1987	1996	
\$16,400	\$20,264	Average beginning teacher salary
\$20,562	\$27,662	Average teacher salary

Figure 9
Distribution of public school teachers by age



1987	1993	Preparation of teachers: highest degree earned
0.3%	0.9%	Public school teachers with no degree
56.9%	56.8%	Public school teachers with a Bachelor's or lower degree
36.9%	37.5%	Public school teachers with a Master's degree
5.9%	4.8%	Public school teachers with a degree beyond Master's

FISCAL INFORMATION

FY88	FY97	Federal aid to education under selected programs (in thousands of current dollars)
\$69,595	\$102,266	National school lunch
\$15,843	\$29,633	National school breakfast
\$75,073	\$125,430	Title I
\$28,306	\$35,576	Education for the handicapped
\$12,910	\$18,380	Vocational and adult education
\$9,604	\$22,010	School improvement
\$3,653	\$2,732	School assistance (federally affected areas)
\$872	\$126	Bilingual education
\$835	\$96	Indian education

Figure 10
Revenues by source

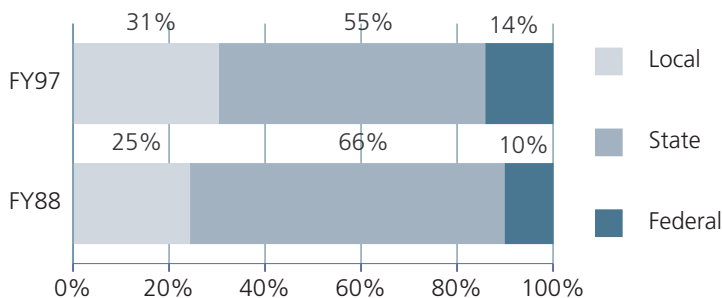
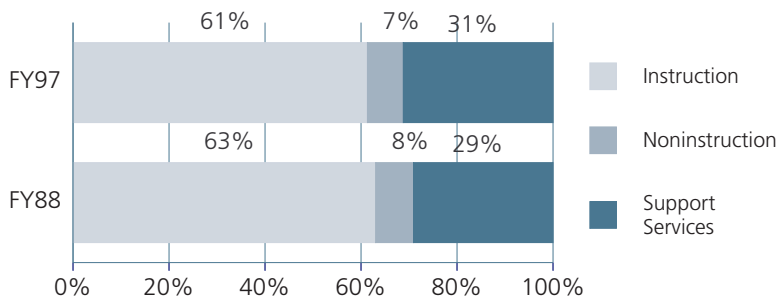


Figure 11
Current expenditures by function



FY88	FY97	Revenues and expenditures (in current dollars)
\$1,135,053	\$2,259,053	Revenues (in thousands of dollars)
\$2,245	\$4,483	Revenue per pupil in membership
\$1,221,560	\$2,035,675	Current expenditures (in thousands of dollars)
\$2,416	\$4,039	Current expenditure per pupil in membership