# National Center for Education Statistics (NCES)

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**What is NCES?** The National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) is the primary federal entity for collecting and analyzing data related to education in the U.S. and other nations. NCES is located within the U.S. Department of Education's Institute of Education Sciences.

**History & General Information:** The National Center for Education Statistics, as part of its Congressional mandate, collects and disseminates data on education in the United States. Major offices and programs within NCES include the Office of the Commissioner, the Office of the Deputy Commissioner, the Early Childhood, International and Crosscutting Studies Division, the Elementary/Secondary and Libraries Studies Division, the Postsecondary Studies Division, and the Assessment Division.

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#### **BASIC FACTS**

**Audience** Congress, federal agencies, state education agencies, state and local officials, educational organizations, news media, business organizations, and the general public

**Publisher/Sponsor** Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education

**President/Director** Mark S. Schneider, Commissioner for Education Statistics, National Center for Education Statistics

#### **CIRCULATION**

Publications and data tools from the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) can be found on the NCES website at <a href="nces.ed.gov">nces.ed.gov</a>.

NCES publications are also made available through Education Publications (ED Pubs), the Education Resources Information Center (ERIC), and the Government Printing Office (GPO).

## Programs and Publications

NCES's regular publication series and data resources include:

- Annual reports including: The Condition of Education, The Digest of Education Statistics, Projections of Education Statistics, and Indicators of School Crime and Safety
- □ Elementary/Secondary Surveys including the Common Core of Data (CCD), the Education Finance Statistics Center, and the Schools and Staffing Survey (SASS)
- NCES data and analysis tools allow users to locate public schools and districts, build tables, and download data from sources like the Common Core of Data and NAEP

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#### **Notes**

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