

PUBLIC SCHOOLS - ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS AND IMPROVEMENT STATUS UNDER NCLB

Holding Schools Accountable for Progress

States have considerable latitude when it comes to developing the exams and criteria that determine whether they make adequate yearly progress under the No Child Left Behind Act. Almost three-fourths of schools (72 percent) nationwide made AYP, while 15 percent were designated as "in need of improvement" in the 2006-07 school year. This represents little change from the prior year.

	NCLB ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS (AYP) FOR SCHOOLS						Percentage-point change in schools making AYP	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS FOR SCHOOLS				Percentage-point change in schools "in need of improvement"
	School Year 2005-06			School Year 2006-07				School Year 2006-07		School Year 2007-08		
	Number of schools rated for AYP	Percent of rated schools that made AYP ¹	Percent of rated schools that did NOT make AYP ¹	Number of schools rated for AYP	Percent of rated schools that made AYP ¹	Percent of rated schools that did NOT make AYP ¹		Number of rated schools "in need of improvement"	Percent of rated schools "in need of improvement" ³	Number of rated schools "in need of improvement"	Percent of rated schools "in need of improvement" ³	
Alabama	1,364	88.7%	11.3%	1,358	83.7%	16.3%	452	33.1%	146	10.8%	-22.4%	
Alaska	497	62.0	38.0	498	65.9	34.1	192	38.6	181	36.3	-2.3	
Arizona	1,860	67.2	32.8	1,841	72.0	28.0	165	8.9	266	14.4	+5.6	
Arkansas	1,113	57.2	42.8	1,035	61.5	38.5	329	29.6	329	31.8	+2.2	
California	9,553	66.5	33.5	9,653	66.1	33.9	2,217	23.2	2,208	22.9	-0.3	
Colorado	1,841	75.2	24.8	1,950	75.3	24.7	112	6.1	122	6.3	+0.2	
Connecticut	986	66.4	33.6	986	68.1	31.9	185	18.8	247	25.1	+6.3	
Delaware	178	76.4	23.6	193	70.5	29.5	34	19.1	38	19.7	+0.6	
District of Columbia	217	15.2	84.8	219	19.2	80.8	111	51.2	129	58.9	+7.8	
Florida	3,198	28.6	71.4	3,243	33.5	66.5	1,011	31.6	1,001	30.9	-0.7	
Georgia	2,071	79.3	20.7	2,100	82.2	17.8	308	14.9	323	15.4	+0.5	
Hawaii	282	35.5	64.5	282	64.5	35.5	172	61.0	162	57.4	-3.5	
Idaho	685	67.3	32.7	625	26.7	73.3	165	24.1	204	32.6	+8.6	
Illinois	3,771	82.0	18.0	3,792	76.4	23.6	851	22.6	708	18.7	-3.9	
Indiana	1,867	49.3	50.7	1,841	51.9	48.1	173	9.3	216	11.7	+2.5	
Iowa	1,494	82.5	17.5	1,491	90.7	9.3	99	6.6	120	8.0	+1.4	
Kansas	1,483	87.4	12.6	1,383	88.9	11.1	25	1.7	35	2.5	+0.8	
Kentucky	1,164	66.2	33.8	1,167	77.5	22.5	155	13.3	145	12.4	-0.9	
Louisiana	1,055	97.7	2.3	1,241	84.9	15.1	85	8.1	77	6.2	-1.9	
Maine	691	81.2	18.8	468 ⁴	74.4	25.6	91	13.2	33 ⁴	7.1	--	
Maryland	1,351	77.0	23.0	1,361	77.1	22.9	233	17.2	233	17.1	-0.1	
Massachusetts	1,772	58.6	41.4	1,771	51.9	48.1	630	35.6	674	38.1	+2.5	
Michigan	3,746	86.3	13.7	2,648	93.3	6.7	334	8.9	91	3.4	-5.5	
Minnesota	1,888	74.4	25.6	1,912	62.1	37.9	63	3.3	110	5.8	+2.4	
Mississippi	850	83.8	16.2	887	79.3	20.7	57	6.7	68	7.7	+1.0	
Missouri	2,083	65.6	34.4	2,108	70.2	29.8	426	20.5	414	19.6	-0.8	
Montana	834	90.2	9.8	825	89.9	10.1	55	6.6	59	7.2	+0.6	
Nebraska	807	81.7	18.3	786	87.8	12.2	19	2.4	24	3.1	+0.7	
Nevada	613	53.5	46.5	631	69.7	30.3	233	38.0	191	30.3	-7.7	
New Hampshire	460	61.5	38.5	459	59.0	41.0	91	19.8	137	29.8	+10.1	
New Jersey	2,210	71.6	28.4	2,215	72.1	27.9	555	25.1	517	23.3	-1.8	
New Mexico	788	47.2	52.8	801	46.4	53.6	236	29.9	348	43.4	+13.5	
New York	4,356	74.3	25.7	--	--	--	699	16.0	--	--	--	
North Carolina	2,345	45.7	54.3	2,350	44.8	55.2	300	12.8	457	19.4	+6.7	
North Dakota	478	91.4	8.6	464	91.2	8.8	19	4.0	18	3.9	-0.1	
Ohio	3,907	63.9	36.1	3,907	63.9	36.1	1,016	26.0	1,016	26.0	+0.0	
Oklahoma	1,783	88.9	11.1	1,793	87.6	12.4	47	2.6	53	3.0	+0.3	
Oregon	1,229	69.7	30.3	1,234	77.6	22.4	38	3.1	38	3.1	-0.0	
Pennsylvania	3,121	82.3	17.7	3,104	77.4	22.6	309	9.9	320	10.3	+0.4	
Rhode Island	319	67.7	32.3	256 ⁴	85.5	14.5	47	14.7	36 ⁴	14.1	--	
South Carolina	1,074	39.6	60.4	1,027 ⁵	38.0	62.0	185	17.2	198 ⁵	19.3	--	
South Dakota	697	80.5	19.5	685	82.6	17.4	80	11.5	91	13.3	+1.8	
Tennessee	1,632	81.2	18.8	1,623	86.6	13.4	95	5.8	139	8.6	+2.7	
Texas	7,057	92.3	7.7	7,111	89.6	10.4	286	4.1	284	4.0	-0.1	
Utah	809	82.0	18.0	835	71.6	28.4	10	1.2	13	1.6	+0.3	
Vermont	308	76.3	23.7	311	87.8	12.2	23	7.5	42	13.5	+6.0	
Virginia	1,823	77.2	22.8	1,822	74.3	25.7	276	15.1	69	3.8	-11.4	
Washington	2,073	83.7	16.3	2,148	64.8	35.2	248	12.0	279	13.0	+1.0	
West Virginia	709	85.6	14.4	701	80.9	19.1	25	3.5	19	2.7	-0.8	
Wisconsin	2,147	95.9	4.1	2,149	95.7	4.3	38	1.8	45	2.1	+0.3	
Wyoming	362	73.2	26.8	358	93.9	6.1	28	7.7	33	9.2	+1.5	
U.S. Total	89,001	73.1%	26.9%	83,648	72.2%	27.8%	-0.9%	13,633	15.3%	12,706	15.2%	-0.1%

Note: Improvement status is based on AYP data from the previous year. A dash (-) indicates that data were unavailable to the Editorial Projects in Education Research Center prior to deadline or that calculations could not be made because of missing data. Some percentages may be based on preliminary data.

- Percentage was calculated by dividing the total number of schools that made AYP or did not make AYP by the total number of schools rated for AYP.
- These columns report the increase or decrease in the percentage of schools making AYP or identified as "in need of improvement" from one school year to the next. Changes for Maine, Rhode Island, and South Carolina are not calculated because of a lack of comparable data.
- All states must include Title I schools in their designation of schools "in need of improvement." Federal law allows states to choose whether non-Title I schools are assigned a school improvement status and whether federal consequences apply to those schools. As a result, some schools rated for AYP may not receive a school improvement designation. Percentage was calculated by dividing the total number of schools identified as "in need of improvement" by the total number of schools rated for AYP.
- This figure does not include high schools. Data on those schools will be released at a later date.
- This figure does not include primary schools that end at the 2nd grade.



SOURCE: EPE Research Center, 2007