# 2000 National Survey of Science and Mathematics Education

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# Study Background

- Fourth in series funded by NSF, dating to 1977.
- Includes responses from almost 6,000 teachers in over 1,200 schools.
- Topics included:
  - Science and mathematics course offerings and enrollments
  - Availability of facilities and equipment
  - Instructional techniques
  - Teacher background
  - Needs for professional development
- Surveyed all Presidential Awardees.

# Question 1: What percent of high school science teachers are male?

# Percent of Male Science and Mathematics Teachers



# Percent of White Science and Mathematics Teachers



## Age Distribution of High School Mathematics Teachers



Question 2: What percent of high school physics classes are taught by teachers with six or more college courses in physics? Percent of Grade 7-12 Science Classes Taught by Teachers with Six or More Courses in Field



**Grades 7-12 Science** 

### Percent of Grade 9-12 Classes Taught by Teachers with Six or More Courses in Field



**Grades 9-12 Science** 

### Elementary Teachers Considering Themselves "not well qualified" to Teach the Subject



### Elementary Teachers Considering Themselves "very well qualified" to Teach the Subject



Question 3: What percent of K-4 mathematics teachers indicate they are "implementing" the NCTM standards?

# Teacher Opinions Related to NCTM Standards



### Percent of <u>All</u> Teachers Agreeing with and Implementing NCTM Standards



# Teacher Opinions Related to NRC Standards



### Percent of <u>All</u> Teachers Agreeing with and Implementing NRC Standards



### School Attention to NCTM Standards



### School Attention to NRC Standards



Question 4: What percent of middle grades mathematics teachers perceive a moderate or substantial need for professional development in:

- Deepening their own content knowledge
- Learning how to use technology
- Understanding student thinking

### Mathematics Teachers' Perception of Need for Professional Development Three Years Ago





### Science Teachers' Perception of Need for Professional Development Three Years Ago





**Question 5:** 

What percent of elementary science and mathematics teachers had no inservice education in science/mathematics in last 3 years?

### Science Teachers' Participation in Professional Development in Last 3 Years



### Mathematics Teachers' Participation in Professional Development



Question 6: On average, how many minutes per day are spent on science instruction in elementary classes?

### **Average Number of Minutes Per Day Spent Teaching Each Subject in Self-Contained Classes**



### Average Number of Minutes Per Day Spent Teaching Each Subject in Self-Contained Grades 1-3 Classes



### Average Number of Minutes Per Day Spent Teaching Each Subject in Self-Contained Grades 4-6 Classes



Question 7: What is the average class size in middle grades science and mathematics classes? What percent of classes have more than 29 students?

#### **Average Class Sizes**



#### **Distribution of Middle Grades Science Classes**



### Distribution of Middle Grades Mathematics Classes



#### **Mean Class Sizes**



#### **Mean Class Sizes**



Question 8: What percent of K-4 science and mathematics classes include students of limited English proficiency (LEP)?

### Percent of Classes With at Least One Special Needs Student (K-4)



### Grades 1-4 Science and Mathematics Classes with One or More LEP Students



### Science Classes with One or More LEP Students by Region



**Question 9:** What percent of first-year chemistry enrollment is non-Asian minority?

### Percent of Non-Asian Minority Students in Science Classes



### Percent of Non-Asian Minority Students in Mathematics Classes



### Non-Asian Minorities in Science Classes



### Non-Asian Minorities in Mathematics Classes



Question 10: If you walked into 10 randomly selected high school mathematics lessons, how many would include students:

- •Completing textbook/ worksheet problems?
- •Using computers?

# **9-12 Mathematics Classes Participating in Various Activities in Most Recent Lesson**



### 9-12 Science Classes Participating in Various Activities in Most Recent Lesson



Question 11: What percent of middle grades science classes are using textbooks/programs developed after the NSES were published?

#### **Publication Year of Textbooks**

	Percent of Classes		
	Grades	Grades	Grades
	K-4	5-8	9-12
Science			
1986 or earlier	5	4	3
1987–1991	28	21	15
1992–1996	50	47	49
1997 or later	16	27	33
Mathematics			
1986 or earlier	3	2	4
1987–1991	11	12	14
1992–1996	34	32	34
1997 or later	51	54	49

### **Publishers' Market Share: Grades K-4 Science**



- Addison-Wesley Longman, Inc./ Scott Foresman
- Silver, Burdett, & Ginn
- □ McGraw-Hill/Merrill Co
- □ Scholastic, Inc.
- Harcourt, Brace, & Jovanovich
- Holt, Rinehart, Winston
- Houghton Mifflin/McDougall Littell/D.C. Heath
- Encyclopaedia Britannica
- A-Beka
- □ National Science Resource Center
- Kendall Hunt Publishing
- Prentice Hall
- Globe Fearon, Inc/Cambridge
- CORD Communications

### **Publishers' Market Shares: Grades 5-8 Science**



Prentice Hall

- McGraw-Hill/Merrill Co
- □ Addison-Wesley Longman, Inc./ Scott Foresman
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### **Publishers' Market Shares: Grades 9-12 Science**



- McGraw-Hill/Merrill Co
- Holt, Rinehart, Winston
- □ Prentice Hall
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- □ Houghton Mifflin/McDougall Littell/D.C. Heath
- □ Saxon Publishers
- Silver, Burdett, & Ginn
- McGraw-Hill/Merrill Co.
- Everyday Learning Corporation
- Dale Seymour Publications
- Open Court
- A-Beka
- Creative Publications
- Holt, Rinehart, Winston
- Prentice Hall
- Aamsco
- Key Curriculum Press
- South-Western Educational Publishing

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Question 12: What percent of high school mathematics classes <u>ever</u> use graphing calculators?

#### Use, Availability, and Need for Calculators in Grades 9-12 Mathematics Classes



### Use-of-Equipment Composites Science



### Use-of-Equipment Composites Mathematics



### Question 13: What is the median perpupil amount spent on consumable supplies for:

- Elementary science?
- High school science?
- Elementary mathematics?
- High school mathematics?

#### Median Amount Schools Spent Per Pupil on Science and Mathematics Equipment, Consumable Supplies, and Software

	_	Consumable	
	Equipment	Supplies	Software
Science			
Elementary Schools	\$ 1.10	\$ 0.79	\$ 0.00
Middle Schools	\$ 1.10	\$ 1.33	\$ 0.00
High Schools	\$ 2.05	\$ 3.12	\$ 0.19
Mathematics			
Elementary Schools	\$ 0.99	\$ 1.58	\$ 0.66
Middle Schools	\$ 1.16	\$ 0.94	\$ 0.14
High Schools	\$ 1.32	\$ 0.61	\$ 0.18

#### Median Amount Schools Spent Per Year on Science and Mathematics Equipment, Consumable Supplies, and Software

		Consumable	
	Equipment	Supplies	Software
Science			
Elementary Schools	\$ 250	\$ 250	\$ O
Middle Schools	\$ 400	\$ 400	\$ O
High Schools	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,500	\$ 100
Mathematics			
Elementary Schools	\$ 300	\$ 500	\$ 150
Middle Schools	\$ 300	\$ 300	\$ 50
High Schools	\$ 575	\$ 300	\$ 100

#### Amount of Own Money Science and Mathematics Teachers Spent on Supplies Per Class

	Median Amount		
	Science	Mathematics	
Grades K–4	\$ 30	\$ 40	
Grades 5–8	\$ 50	\$ 50	
Grades 9–12	\$ 55	\$ 50	

# Forthcoming Reports

- Presidential Awardees–impact of award and comparison to national sample
- Trend report
- Subject-matter specific reports; e.g., the status of chemistry education
- All reports available at: www.horizon-research.com