# 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 All Teachers Agreeing with and Implementing NCTM Standards



## Teacher Opinions Related to NRC Standards



## Percent of All 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



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\text { K-4 } \square 5-8 \square 9-12
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## Science Teachers' Perception of Need for Professional Development Three Years Ago



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## 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 mathematicslessons, 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 <br> K-4 | Grades <br> $\mathbf{5 - 8}$ | Grades <br> $\mathbf{9 - 1 2}$ |
| Science |  |  |  |
| 1986 or earlier | 5 | 4 | 3 |
| 1987-1991 | 28 | 21 | 15 |
| 1992-1996 | 16 | 47 | 49 |
| 1997 or later |  | 27 | 33 |
| Mathematics | 3 | 2 | 4 |
| 1986 or earlier | 11 | 12 | 14 |
| $1987-1991$ | 34 | 32 | 34 |
| $1992-1996$ | 51 | 54 | 49 |
| 1997 or later |  |  |  |

## Publishers’ Market Share: Grades K-4 Science


$\square$ Addison-Wesley Longman, Inc./ Scott Foresman
$\square$ Silver, Burdett, \& Ginn
$\square$ McGraw-Hill/Merrill Co
$\square$ Scholastic, Inc.
$\square$ Harcourt, Brace, \& Jovanovich
■ Holt, Rinehart, Winston
$\square$ Houghton Mifflin/McDougall Littel1/D.C. Heath
$\square$ Encyclopaedia Britannica
$\square$ A-Beka
$\square$ National Science Resource Center
$\square$ Kendall Hunt Publishing
$\square$ Prentice Hall
■ Globe Fearon, Inc/Cambridge
$\square$ CORD Communications

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


$\square$ Prentice Hall
$\square$ McGraw-Hill/Merrill Co
$\square$ Addison-Wesley Longman, Inc./ Scott Foresman
$\square$ Silver, Burdett, \& Ginn
$\square$ Holt, Rinehart, Winston
■ Harcourt, Brace, \& Jovanovich
$\square$ Houghton Mifflin/McDougall Littell/D.C. Heath
$\square$ Scholastic, Inc.
$\square$ Globe Fearon, Inc/Cambridge
$\square$ Kendall Hunt Publishing
$\square$ Encyclopaedia Britannica
$\square$ A-Beka
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## Publishers' Market Shares: Grades 9-12 Science


$\square$ McGraw-Hill/Merrill Co
$\square$ Holt, Rinehart, Winston
$\square$ Prentice Hall
$\square$ Addison-Wesley Longman, Inc./ Scott Foresman
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## Publishers’ Market Shares: Grades K-4 Mathematics



## Publishers' Market Shares: Grades 5-8 Mathematics


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$\square$ Harcourt, Brace, \& Jovanovich
$\square$ Saxon Publishers

- Prentice Hall
$\square$ Everyday Learning Corporation
$\square$ Silver, Burdett, \& Ginn
$\square$ Dale Seymour Publications
$\square$ A-Beka
$\square$ Creative Publications
$\square$ Open Court
- Holt, Rinehart, Winston
$\square$ Aamsco
$\square$ Key Curriculum Press
■ South-Western Educational Publishing


## Publishers' Market Shares: Grades 9-12 Mathematics



Question 12: What percent of high school mathematics classes ever 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

|  | Equipment | Consumable <br> 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

|  | Equipment | Consumable <br> Supplies | Software |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Science |  |  |  |
| Elementary Schools | $\$ 250$ | $\$ 250$ | $\$ 0$ |
| Middle Schools | $\$ 400$ | $\$ 400$ | $\$ 0$ |
| 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
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