

PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM IN MICHIGAN

TABLE 1 HISTORICAL DATA, 1836-1968

Year	Number of School Days ¹	Public School Academies (PSAs)	Local Educational Authorities (LEAs)	Teachers	Number of Children ²	Total Salaries for Instruction
1836	70		55	98	2,377	\$ 3,540
1840	90		1,560	1,870	48,817	42,310
1850	102		3,097	4,087	132,234	140,889
1860	124		4,087	7,921	246,802	468,988
1870	138		5,108	11,014	384,554	1,393,228
1880	150		6,352	13,949	506,221	1,917,983
1890	154		7,168	15,990	654,502	3,323,881
1894	156		7,160	16,190	696,234	3,895,264
1895	158		7,159	16,013	699,828	3,968,600
1896	172		7,167	15,896	700,069	4,083,309
1897	161		7,151	15,601	701,244	4,050,832
1898	162		7,157	15,673	703,730	4,152,878
1899	163		7,161	15,564	713,690	4,312,245
1900	164		7,163	15,924	721,698	4,501,508
1901	164		7,171	16,054	730,101	4,735,192
1902	166		7,204	16,252	738,182	5,002,605
1903	167		7,229	16,664	744,603	5,308,373
1904	166		7,255	16,765	745,010	5,688,103
1905	174		7,267	16,823	743,184	6,007,652
1906	170		7,294	16,924	747,887	6,357,221
1907	170		7,302	17,286	743,030	7,091,866
1908	178		7,310	17,407	747,276	7,700,993
1909	178		7,330	17,763	755,935	8,271,923
1910	171		7,333	17,987	771,471	8,771,896
1911	170		7,361	18,207	783,770	9,327,930
1912	172		7,362	18,824	795,423	9,952,326
1913	172		7,327	19,500	815,840	10,539,963
1914	172		7,335	19,734	826,400	10,795,281
1915	172		7,337	20,161	845,754	11,932,392
1916	173		7,339	20,979	866,570	12,702,856
1917	175		7,333	21,992	892,787	13,837,995
1918	166		7,329	23,051	919,666	15,452,303
1919	161		7,312	23,388	937,330	18,824,799
1920	176		7,273	24,302	978,412	23,391,537
1921	175		7,189	24,938	1,020,699	32,627,184
1922	170		6,984	25,755	1,038,897	35,302,485
1923	174		6,953	27,008	1,075,890	37,033,098
1924	178		6,925	27,918	1,124,551	39,395,203
1925	170		6,890	29,390	1,160,435	42,293,488
1926	170		6,863	30,327	1,199,260	45,991,575
1927	170		6,873	31,184	1,247,932	48,783,937
1928	175		6,878	33,119	1,274,478	50,061,837
1929	176		6,842	33,724	1,337,018	53,622,280
1930	174		6,822	34,552	1,365,007	56,033,919
1931	176		6,779	34,806	1,373,585	57,798,090
1932	174		6,746	34,049	1,383,124	55,132,527
1933	170		6,709	32,007	1,389,417	39,638,378
1934	174		6,710	31,830	1,392,822	36,505,650
1935	174		6,692	31,340	1,398,348	40,739,466
1936	175		6,642	32,583	1,397,679	44,523,700
1937	174		6,604	31,816	1,402,672	46,185,263
1938	176		6,558	32,583	1,399,769	49,664,658
1939	175		6,466	32,702	1,389,347	50,516,474
1940	175		6,386	32,447	1,385,576	52,287,755
1941	175		6,318	32,017	1,382,979	53,178,877
1942	180		6,274	32,119	1,384,446	55,163,582
1943	180		6,239	32,567	1,400,170	57,829,978
1944	180		6,152	31,569	1,410,623	63,658,796
1945	180		6,029	31,966	1,403,493	67,514,467
1946	180		5,823	32,508	1,398,112	74,666,168
1947	180		5,434	32,574	1,414,196	84,998,948
1948	180		5,186	33,811	1,439,750	100,892,520

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Year	Number of School Days ¹	Public School Academies (PSAs)	Local Educational Authorities (LEAs)	Teachers	Number of Children ²	Total Salaries for Instruction
1949	180		5,031	35,200	1,466,972	\$ 113,085,113
1950	180		4,918	37,157	1,489,351	123,881,270
1951	180		4,841	38,688	1,518,759	136,814,060
1952	180		4,736	40,460	1,589,923	150,555,706
1953	180		4,532	45,528	1,664,726	166,669,837
1954	180		4,246	43,957	1,746,789	183,412,303
1955	180		3,855	47,040	1,823,080	206,032,556
1956	180		3,495	49,663	1,910,552	241,620,490
1957	180		2,854	53,171	1,988,293	269,407,840
1958	180		2,499	55,794	2,058,028	297,950,653
1959	180		2,301	58,251	2,124,139	320,621,419
1960	180		2,149	60,394	2,199,545	344,193,814
1961	180		1,989	63,271	2,272,279	373,200,341
1962	180		1,794	66,024	2,339,079	402,153,331
1963	180		1,580	68,099	2,415,696	428,844,667
1964	180		1,436	69,380	2,466,676	449,173,953
1965	180		1,227	72,935	2,539,032	569,152,686
1966	180		993	76,047	2,620,663	643,666,205
1967	180		866	80,637	3,448,802	754,691,245
1968	180		712	85,346	3,434,754	881,028,258

TABLE 2
HISTORICAL DATA, 1969-2020

Year	Number of School Days ¹	Public School Academies (PSAs)	Local Educational Authorities (LEAs)	Teachers ³	Pupil Count ⁴	Total Salaries for Instruction
1969	180		648	87,487	2,122,915	\$ 1,004,226,891
1970	180		638	88,959	2,164,386	1,133,674,901
1971	180		624	90,672	2,178,745	1,274,476,441
1972	180		608	91,190	2,212,505	1,369,280,071
1973	180		602	93,852	2,193,270	1,464,596,394
1974	180		597	94,221	2,159,966	1,573,636,026
1975	180		590	93,580	2,139,720	1,721,180,426
1976	180		587	92,677	2,127,917	1,835,639,963
1977	180		581	90,780	2,081,936	1,888,170,123
1978	180		579	90,312	2,023,944	2,017,898,474
1979	180		576	88,652	1,965,685	1,777,508,874
1980	180		575	87,487	1,910,385	1,919,577,320
1981	180		574	84,041	1,859,934	2,049,304,264
1982	180		574	78,447	1,792,331	2,114,391,081
1983	180		573	74,814	1,742,831	2,138,297,412
1984	180		570	74,312	1,712,103	2,245,977,550
1985	180		567	75,193	1,678,458	2,383,994,751
1986	180		566	76,166	1,666,281	2,560,133,526
1987	180		564	76,791	1,657,423	2,704,312,116
1988	180		563	77,779	1,657,844	2,898,679,091
1989	180		562	77,861	1,640,294	3,044,945,212
1990	180		562	77,737	1,637,592	3,245,914,951
1991	180		561	79,660	1,651,502	3,484,278,059
1992	180		559	81,079	1,673,020	3,723,930,094
1993	180		559	66,247	1,675,465	3,915,816,062
1994	180	1	557	81,024	1,602,622	4,138,560,056
1995	180	14	557	85,349	1,653,949	4,233,280,674
1996	180	44	555	86,446	1,673,879	4,423,924,668
1997	180	78	555	89,667	1,680,693	4,588,225,573
1998	180	108	555	91,823	1,694,320	4,740,083,034
1999	180	138	555	75,564	1,710,365	4,955,604,025
2000	180	171	555	77,720	1,714,815	5,215,769,144
2001	180	184	554	76,970	1,720,335	5,397,501,298
2002	180	189	554	77,818	1,731,092	5,548,528,908

TABLE 2
HISTORICAL DATA, 1969-2020 (Cont.)

Year	Number of School Days ¹	Public School Academies (PSAs)	Local Educational Authorities (LEAs)	Teachers ³	Pupil Count ⁴	Total Salaries for Instruction
2003	*	188	553	78,734	1,750,631	\$ 5,674,487,104
2004	*	199	553	78,148	1,734,019	5,755,361,150
2005	*	216	552	76,319	1,723,087	5,741,440,589
2006	*	225	552	74,544	1,712,133	5,691,371,878
2007	*	229	552	74,256	1,693,436	5,740,806,784
2008	*	230	552	72,961	1,661,461	5,736,428,686
2009	*	232	551	72,021	1,628,628	5,792,111,684
2010	165	240	551	69,996	1,605,951	5,746,574,681
2011	165	247	551	67,950	1,577,606	5,425,572,103
2012	170	256	549	61,775	1,550,550	5,370,155,338
2013	170	277	549	60,580	1,542,691	5,233,354,463
2014	175	298	545	59,957	1,530,457	5,118,224,280
2015	175	302	541	59,237	1,520,074	5,037,549,823
2016	180	302	540	58,233	1,507,743	4,950,937,414
2017	180	301	538	58,038	1,486,733	4,969,381,625
2018	180	295	537	58,738	1,479,329	5,016,498,830
2019	180	297	537	59,078	1,465,964	5,099,929,644
2020	180 ⁵	294	537	58,824	1,457,838	5,187,869,922

¹ Number of school days initially reflects an average number of school days and later, statute-mandated time of instruction. Years 1836 to 1928 list average number of school days; 1929 to 1971, statute mandated at least nine months of instruction; 1972 to 2002, statute mandated a minimum number of days of instruction; 2003 to 2009, statute mandated a minimum of 1,098 hours of instruction. Public Act 121 of 2009 requires a minimum number of days of pupil instruction, in which a minimum of 1,098 hours of instruction will be given, beginning in 2010 to the present.

² Number of school aged children (whether in public school or not) based on the annual school census.

³ Teacher counts for 1999 and later reflect total FTE basic program teachers.

⁴ Number of enrolled students in public schools based on the public school full-time equivalent (FTE) membership count.

⁵ Strict compliance with statutory requirement of 180 days was suspended by executive order due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

* Minimum hours rather than days prescribed by statute.

Sources: Michigan Department of Education, Center for Educational Performance and Information, Bulletin 1011 and Table.

Number of Public School Districts in Michigan, www.michigan.gov/documents/numbsch_26940_7.pdf.

Legislative Service Bureau Research, 2019.

NUMBER OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Number of Students	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020
10,000 and over	16	16	16
5,000 - 9,999	47	44	45
4,000 - 4,999	21	25	20
3,000 - 3,999	48	46	50
2,000 - 2,999	75	77	75
1,000 - 1,999	153	147	150
500 - 999	205	208	204
below 500	260	264	269
Total	825	827	829

REVENUE, ALL FUNDS

Source	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020
From local sources	\$4,790,613,566	\$4,999,465,569	\$5,182,601,153
State school aid	\$11,707,353,698	\$11,909,915,228	\$11,996,344,966
Federal aid	\$1,192,350,964	\$1,222,335,689	\$1,371,323,317
Other sources	\$18,625,768	\$18,434,344	\$18,834,482
Total	\$17,708,943,997	\$18,150,150,829	\$18,569,103,917

Sources: Bulletin 1011, *Analysis of Michigan Public School Districts*, Revenues and Expenditures, Michigan Department of Education, 2017-2018 published February 2019, 2018-2019 published February 2020, 2019-2020 published March 2021.