

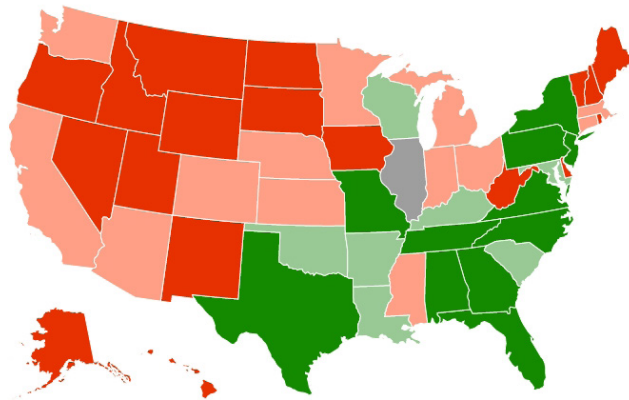
SCHOOL LIBRARIAN INEQUITY: A State-by-State Comparison

Librarians in Full-Time Equivalents



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Texas has more school librarians than in the bottom 20 states combined.



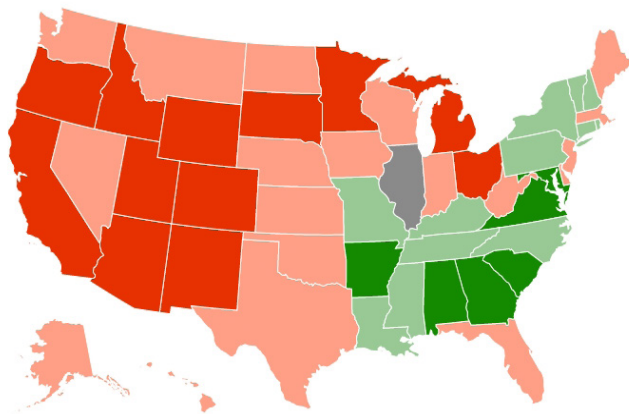
#1	Texas	4,485
#2	New York	2,459
#3	Georgia	2,033
#48	Wyoming	77
#49	S. Dakota	66
#50	Idaho	42

Librarians per School



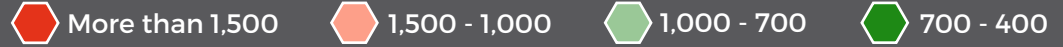
REGIONAL DISPARITIES

School librarians were more likely in schools in the South and the Northeast than in the Midwest and the West.



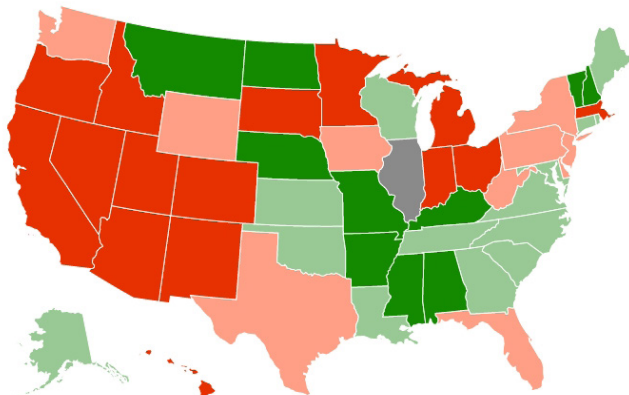
#1	Georgia	0.88
#2	S. Carolina	0.86
#3	Alabama	0.85
#48	S. Dakota	0.09
#49	California	0.06
#50	Idaho	0.05

Students per Librarian



EXTREME DIFFERENCES

The ratio of students to librarians for some states is 10 times or more what it is for other states.



#1	Montana	404
#2	Vermont	406
#3	New Hampshire	519
#49	Oregon	3,824
#50	Idaho	7,381
#51	California	9,767

Source: Common Core of Data, National Center for Education Statistics, 2020-21. Figures for NY and UT are from state departments of education. No data was provided for IL.

2020-21 STATE DATA (with rankings)

State	Librarian FTEs	Librarians per School	Students per Librarian
ALABAMA	1,305 (9)	0.85 (3)	563 (5)
ALASKA	132 (44)	0.26 (38)	981 (24)
ARIZONA	415 (31)	0.18 (44)	2,675 (45)
ARKANSAS	894 (17)	0.83 (5)	544 (4)
CALIFORNIA	621 (23)	0.06 (49)	9,767 (50)
COLORADO	469 (29)	0.24 (39)	1,885 (40)
CONNECTICUT	668 (22)	0.67 (11)	762 (16)
DELAWARE	105 (46)	0.47 (23)	1,311 (32)
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	88 (47)	0.37 (29)	1,021 (25)
FLORIDA	1,924 (5)	0.46 (25)	1,451 (35)
GEORGIA	2,033 (3)	0.88 (1)	851 (21)
HAWAII	114 (45)	0.39 (28)	1,548 (36)
IDAHO	42 (50)	0.05 (50)	7,381 (49)
ILLINOIS	no data	no data	no data
INDIANA	523 (27)	0.27 (37)	1,979 (41)
IOWA	377 (32)	0.29 (35)	1,345 (33)
KANSAS	603 (24)	0.46 (24)	799 (20)
KENTUCKY	1,011 (14)	0.66 (13)	652 (8)
LOUISIANA	927 (15)	0.68 (10)	748 (15)
MAINE	182 (40)	0.31 (33)	949 (23)
MARYLAND	1,133 (12)	0.8 (6)	779 (17)
MASSACHUSETTS	555 (25)	0.3 (34)	1,659 (37)
MICHIGAN	480 (28)	0.14 (46)	2,988 (47)
MINNESOTA	434 (30)	0.17 (45)	2,012 (42)
MISSISSIPPI	725 (20)	0.7 (9)	610 (7)
MISSOURI	1,303 (10)	0.53 (16)	677 (10)
MONTANA	362 (33)	0.44 (26)	404 (1)
NEBRASKA	533 (26)	0.49 (21)	609 (6)
NEVADA	258 (35)	0.35 (31)	1,870 (39)
NEW HAMPSHIRE	326 (34)	0.66 (14)	519 (3)
NEW JERSEY	1,216 (11)	0.47 (22)	1,130 (28)
NEW MEXICO	191 (39)	0.22 (41)	1,663 (38)
NEW YORK*	2,459 (2)	0.51 (18)	1,060 (26)
NORTH CAROLINA	2,023 (4)	0.75 (7)	748 (14)
NORTH DAKOTA	175 (42)	0.36 (30)	658 (9)
OHIO	723 (21)	0.2 (43)	2,277 (44)
OKLAHOMA	880 (18)	0.49 (20)	789 (18)
OREGON	147 (43)	0.12 (47)	3,824 (48)
PENNSYLVANIA	1,522 (7)	0.52 (17)	1,120 (27)
RHODE ISLAND	176 (41)	0.56 (15)	790 (19)
SOUTH CAROLINA	1,086 (13)	0.86 (2)	706 (12)
SOUTH DAKOTA	66 (49)	0.09 (48)	2,103 (43)
TENNESSEE	1,333 (8)	0.71 (8)	739 (13)
TEXAS	4,485 (1)	0.5 (19)	1,198 (29)
UTAH*	235 (36)	0.22 (40)	2,893 (46)
VERMONT	203 (37)	0.66 (12)	406 (2)
VIRGINIA	1,780 (6)	0.84 (4)	703 (11)
WASHINGTON	793 (19)	0.32 (32)	1,372 (34)
WEST VIRGINIA	201 (38)	0.28 (36)	1,266 (31)
WISCONSIN	899 (16)	0.4 (27)	924 (22)
WYOMING	77 (48)	0.21 (42)	1,203 (30)

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