

Formal Education System

Definition

Nevada's 17 school districts are organized by county.

Nevada Private-School Enrollment by Grade and School District: 2004-2005

School District	Grades K*-3	Grades 4-6	Grades 7-8	Grades 9-12	Ungraded**	Total
Carson City	256	124	86	18	0	484
Churchill	45	23	8	5	0	81
Clark	7,007	3,260	1,926	2,345	0	14,538
Douglas	71	26	0	56	0	153
Elko	18	9	10	8	0	45
Lyon	4	5	1	8	0	18
Nye	89	65	37	31	0	222
Washoe	1,406	534	393	695	583	3,611
NEVADA	8,896	4,046	2,461	3,166	583	19,152

*K = Kindergarten.

**Ungraded refers to multiple-grade grouping.

Source: Nevada Department of Education, 2005, "Student Enrollment and Licensed Personnel Information," *Research Bulletin*, Volume 46.

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The 2004-2005 data show there were 552 public schools in Nevada's 17 county school districts: 329 elementary schools, 89 junior/middle schools, 86 high schools, 28 special schools, 18 charter schools, and 2 K-12 public/charter schools. Special schools, defined as student detention facilities, special education schools, and alternative education schools, were located in Clark (10), Douglas (3), Nye (3), Washoe (2), White Pine (2), Humboldt (1), Churchill (1), Lincoln (1) Lyon (1), and Mineral (1) county school districts, as well as the Carson City School District (3). Charter schools were in Washoe (8), Clark (3), Churchill (1), Douglas (1) county school districts, Carson City School District (1), and State Board of Education (although not a district, a state sponsor of four charter schools in Clark and Washoe).¹ Two K-12 public/charter schools were in the Clark County School District (CCSD).

Public-school enrollment was 401,211, a 4.1 percent increase over the 2003-2004 enrollment. A total of 19,152 students were enrolled in Nevada private schools, 46.5 percent were in grades K-3. Eight counties reported private-school enrollment. By far, the CCSD had the highest enrollment with 283,233 students, followed by the Washoe County School District with 63,698.

The largest percentage of students were white (48.6), followed by Hispanic (31.8). Storey County School District had the highest percentage of white students (84.6), whereas the CCSD had the lowest (41.7),² making CCSD a majority minority-enrollment school district.

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Nevada Public-School Enrollment* by School District: 2003-2004 and 2004-2005

School District	Enrollment Number		Change in Enrollment** Percent
	2003-2004	2004-2005	
Carson City	8,798	8,792	-0.1
Churchill	4,553	4,553	0.0
Clark	270,529	283,233	4.7
Douglas	7,190	7,284	1.3
Elko	9,582	9,739	1.6
Esmeralda	69	66	-4.3
Eureka	220	236	7.3
Humboldt	3,523	3,463	-1.7
Lander	1,255	1,226	-2.3
Lincoln	1,012	1,006	-0.6
Lyon	7,678	8,193	6.7
Mineral	743	747	0.5
Nye	5,471	5,887	7.6
Pershing	841	797	-5.2
Storey	467	479	2.6
Washoe	62,103	63,698	2.6
White Pine	1,380	1,446	4.8
State Board***	0	366	0.0
NEVADA	385,414	401,211	4.1

*Prekindergarten (3- and 4-year-old children receiving special education) through 12th grade and ungraded (students who are enrolled in a nongraded class in a school for special education or students who cannot be assigned) enrollment at the end of the first school month.

**Change in enrollment is the percentage increase or decrease in total student enrollment from the year prior to the previous school year.

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Nevada Public-School Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity and School District: 2004-2005

School District	NA/AN*	Asian/PI**	Hispanic	Black (AA***)	White	Total
Carson City	274	251	2,366	103	5,798	8,792
Churchill	328	212	526	110	3,377	4,553
Clark	2,361	23,065	99,084	40,684	118,039	283,233
Douglas	217	187	903	75	5,902	7,284
Elko	695	100	2,372	64	6,508	9,739
Esmeralda	6	0	17	0	43	66
Eureka	19	3	20	1	193	236
Humboldt	159	27	910	18	2,349	3,463
Lander	65	10	252	3	896	1,226
Lincoln	13	27	85	50	831	1,006
Lyon	400	118	1,320	120	6,235	8,193
Mineral	126	8	66	57	490	747
Nye	148	131	1,033	173	4,402	5,887
Pershing	58	8	203	7	521	797
Storey	11	20	40	3	405	479
Washoe	1,729	3,916	18,262	2,325	37,466	63,698
White Pine	79	15	173	16	1,163	1,446
State Board****	25	13	81	29	218	366
NEVADA	6,713	28,111	127,713	43,838	194,836	401,211
PERCENT	1.7%	7.0%	31.8%	10.9%	48.6%	100.0%

Note: Pre-kindergarten (3- and 4-year-old children receiving special education) through 12th grade and ungraded (students who are enrolled in a nongraded class in a school for special education or students who cannot be assigned) enrollment at the end of the first school month.

*NA = Native American and AN = Alaskan Native.

**PI = Pacific Islander.

***AA = African American.

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