

Iowa Education Facts

School districts¹

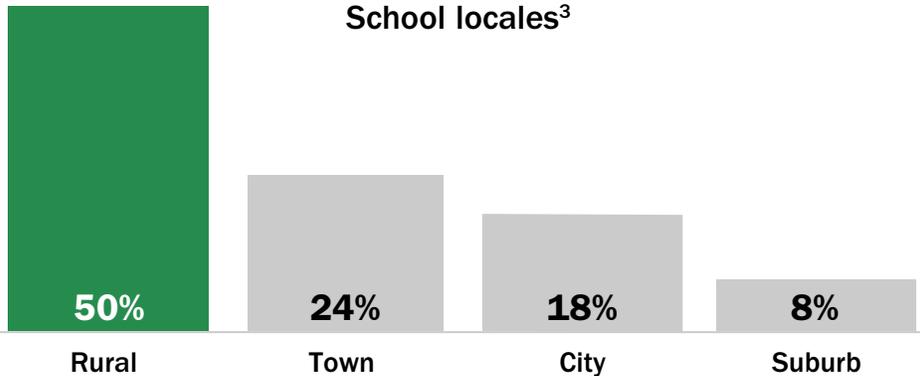
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Public schools²

1,364

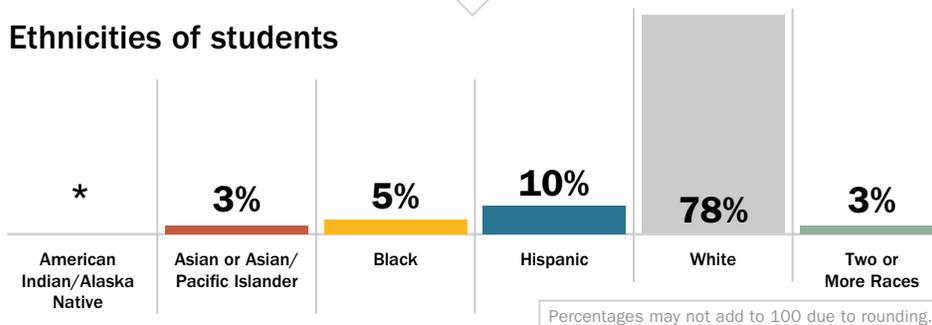
1 in 2 public schools are located in a rural setting

School locales³



Public schools in Iowa serve 505,311 STUDENTS

Ethnicities of students



91% of students graduated from high school within 4 years in 2014–15

Source: 2014–15 PreK–12 school characteristics can be found on the U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Common Core of Data (CCD), Elementary/ Secondary Information System, and the 2014–15 adjusted cohort graduation rate can be found in the 2017 Condition of Education Report.

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State Education Priority

Iowa is dedicated to providing students learning opportunities enabled by technology. The Iowa Digital Learning Plan Steering Committee, comprised of leaders from the Iowa Area Education Agencies and Iowa Department of Education, are using the National Educational Technology Plan as its guiding framework to develop a Digital Learning Plan for the state. The state plan aims to provide policy and practice recommendations for teaching, learning, leadership, assessment, and infrastructure when using educational technology.

To learn about how Regional Educational Laboratory Midwest is helping Iowa and other states in the Midwest use education technology to improve instruction through research-practice partnerships, visit the REL Midwest website:

ies.ed.gov/ncee/edlabs/regions/midwest/default.aspx



1. Districts include regular local school districts, supervisory union administrative centers, regional education services agencies, county superintendents, state-operated institutions which serve special-needs populations, and federally operated institutions.

2. Schools include public elementary and secondary schools, career and technical schools, charter schools, schools that provide instruction virtually, and schools run by state agencies.

3. School locale code definitions can be found here: https://nces.ed.gov/ccd/pdf/2016077_Documentation_062916.pdf
* Less than 1% of the state's students identify as American Indian or Alaska Native.