

## United States Student-to-Counselor Ratios for Elementary and Secondary Schools

**Maximum Recommended Ratio ( 250:1 ) -- Current U.S. Average ( 467:1 )**

<u>Rank</u>	<u>U.S. States</u>	<u># of Students</u>	<u># of Counselors</u>	<u>Student-to-Counselor Ratio</u>
1	Wyoming	86,422	425	203:1
2	Vermont	94,038	428	220:1
3	Louisiana	681,038	3,022	225:1
4	New Hampshire	200,772	827	243:1
5	Hawaii	179,897	660	273:1
6	Virginia	1,230,857	4,103	300:1
7	Montana	142,823	461	310:1
8	Maine	196,245	623	315:1
9	Missouri	917,188	2,721	337:1
10	Arkansas	479,016	1,414	339:1
11	Maryland	845,700	2,421	349:1
12	District of Columbia	78,422	220	356:1
13	Tennessee	964,259	2,700	357:1
14	Rhode Island	147,629	410	360:1
15	North Dakota	95,059	260	366:1
16	Nebraska	291,244	790	369:1
17	North Carolina	1,489,492	3,927	379:1
18	Pennsylvania	1,801,971	4,747	380:1
19	South Dakota	121,606	312	390:1
20	Oklahoma	642,065	1,643	391:1
21	Alabama	744,865	1,872	398:1
22	Iowa	485,115	1,214	400:1
23	New Mexico	329,040	815	404:1
24	West Virginia	282,535	698	405:1
25	South Carolina	712,317	1,751	407:1
26	Connecticut	570,626	1,396	409:1
27	Kansas	468,295	1,119	418:1
28	Massachusetts	962,958	2,262	426:1
29	Texas	4,674,832	10,879	430:1
30	Florida	2,666,811	6,155	433:1
31	Idaho	272,119	614	443:1
32	Georgia	1,649,589	3,686	448:1
33	Delaware	122,574	272	451:1
34	Alaska	131,029	290	452:1
35	Kentucky	666,225	1,467	454:1
36	Wisconsin	874,633	1,926	454:1
37	New York	2,765,435	5,971	463:1
38	Mississippi	494,122	1,065	464:1
39	Colorado	801,867	1,707	470:1
40	Nevada	429,362	888	484:1
41	Oregon	565,586	1,166	485:1
42	Ohio	1,827,184	3,703	493:1
43	New Jersey	1,382,348	2,794	495:1
44	Washington	1,030,247	2,062	500:1
45	Indiana	1,046,766	1,926	543:1
46	Michigan	1,692,739	2,631	643:1
47	Arizona	1,087,447	1,450	750:1
48	Utah	576,244	746	772:1
49	Minnesota	837,578	1,078	777:1
50	California	6,343,471	7,839	809:1
51	Illinois	2,112,805	1,963 *	1,076:1
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>49,292,507</b>	<b>105,519</b>	

Based on data from the U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics  
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\*ACA could not verify the validity of the Illinois school counselor data