

Public high school graduates: 1970-71 to 2008-2009

	1970-71	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74	1974-75	1975-76	1976-77	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80	71 to 80
United States	2,637,642	2,699,553	2,728,822	2,763,317	2,822,502	2,837,129	2,837,340	2,824,636	2,801,152	2,747,678	4.2%
Iowa	43,546	44,426	44,521	43,508	43,005	42,318	43,720	44,168	44,488	43,445	-0.2%
Minnesota	60,966	63,135	63,394	63,981	66,535	66,424	68,166	67,475	66,096	64,908	6.5%
Montana	11,500	10,652	10,504	12,135	12,293	12,136	12,328	12,184	12,068	12,135	5.5%
Nebraska	21,410	21,720	22,459	22,276	22,249	22,237	23,067	23,322	23,147	22,410	4.7%
North Dakota	11,003	10,515	10,563	10,824	10,690	10,771	10,839	10,526	10,385	9,928	-9.8%
South Dakota	11,875	11,945	12,164	11,894	11,725	11,340	11,293	11,349	11,092	10,689	-10.0%
Wyoming	5,635	5,778	5,653	5,760	5,648	5,757	5,861	6,074	5,982	6,072	7.8%
	1980-81	1981-82	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	81 to 90
United States	2,725,254	2,704,758	2,597,604	2,494,797	2,413,917	2,382,616	2,428,803	2,500,191	2,458,800	2,320,337	-14.9%
Iowa	42,635	41,509	39,569	37,248	36,087	34,279	34,580	35,218	34,294	31,796	-25.4%
Minnesota	64,166	62,145	59,015	55,376	53,352	51,988	53,533	54,645	53,122	49,087	-23.5%
Montana	11,634	11,162	10,689	10,224	10,016	9,761	10,073	10,311	10,490	9,370	-19.5%
Nebraska	21,411	21,027	19,986	18,674	18,036	17,845	18,129	18,300	18,690	17,664	-17.5%
North Dakota	9,924	9,504	8,886	8,569	8,146	7,610	7,821	8,432	8,077	7,690	-22.5%
South Dakota	10,385	9,864	9,206	8,638	8,206	7,870	8,074	8,415	8,181	7,650	-26.3%
Wyoming	6,161	5,999	5,909	5,764	5,687	5,587	5,933	6,148	6,079	5,823	-5.5%
	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	91 to 00
United States	2,234,893	2,226,016	2,233,241	2,220,849	2,273,541	2,281,317	2,273,109	2,439,050	2,488,605	2,546,102	13.9%
Iowa	28,593	29,224	30,677	30,247	31,268	31,689	32,986	34,189	34,378	33,926	18.7%
Minnesota	46,474	46,228	48,002	47,514	49,354	50,481	48,193	54,628	56,964	57,372	23.4%
Montana	9,013	9,046	9,389	9,601	10,134	10,139	10,322	10,656	10,925	10,903	21.0%
Nebraska	16,500	17,057	17,569	17,072	17,969	18,014	18,636	19,719	20,550	20,149	22.1%
North Dakota	7,573	7,438	7,310	7,522	7,817	8,027	8,025	8,170	8,388	8,606	13.6%
South Dakota	7,127	7,261	7,952	8,442	8,355	8,532	9,247	9,140	8,757	9,278	30.2%
Wyoming	5,728	5,818	6,174	5,997	5,889	5,892	6,381	6,427	6,348	6,462	12.8%
	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07*	2007-08*	2008-09*	*Projected	01 to 09
United States	2,569,200	2,621,534	2,719,947	2,753,438	2,799,250	2,815,544	2,950,450	3,025,780	3,011,040		17.2%
Iowa	33,774	33,789	34,860	34,339	33,547	33,693	35,480	35,810	35,580		5.3%
Minnesota	56,581	57,440	59,432	59,096	58,391	58,898	59,640	60,540	59,040		4.3%
Montana	10,628	10,554	10,657	10,500	10,335	10,283	10,130	10,310	10,030		-5.6%
Nebraska	19,658	19,910	20,161	20,309	19,940	19,764	19,860	20,840	20,550		4.5%
North Dakota	8,445	8,114	8,169	7,888	7,555	7,192	7,220	7,080	6,990		-17.2%
South Dakota	8,881	8,796	8,999	9,001	8,585	8,589	8,240	8,380	8,250		-7.1%
Wyoming	6,071	6,106	5,845	5,833	5,616	5,527	5,380	5,420	5,530		-8.9%

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics.

