



Facts

worth knowing
about Alberta's
education
system, 2010



The Alberta
Teachers' Association

Number of schools

(Jul 14, 2010)

1,436	Public schools
364	Separate schools
35	Francophone schools
19	Charter schools
152	Private schools
113	Private ECS operators
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2,119	Total

Number of school authorities

41	Public
17	Separate
5	Francophone
13	Charter
129	Private schools
102	Private ECS operators
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307	Total

Source: Alberta Education

Number of students registered in Alberta schools*

(2009/10)

157,770	high school students
134,854	junior high school students
258,719	elementary students
50,286	ECS students
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601,629	Total

* Preliminary estimate

Source: Alberta Education

Number of students by types of schools*

(2009/10)

416,763	students attend public schools
135,672	students attend separate schools
5,563	students attend francophone schools
7,550	students attend charter schools
24,097	students attend private schools
3,445	students attend private ECS schools
8,539	students attend schools operated by other ECS to Grade 12 education providers

* Preliminary estimate

Source: Alberta Education

Class sizes

(2009/10)

Province Grades	Averages	Target
K-3	18.5	17
4-6	21.5	23
7-9	22.5	25
10-12	22.8	27

Of 62 public, separate and francophone school boards reporting.

- 51 exceed target in K to Grade 3,
- 9 exceed target in Grades 4-6,
- 2 exceed target in Grades 7-9 and
- 0 exceed target in Grades 10-12.

Source: Alberta Education

High school completion rates

Year	3-year rate*	5-year rate**
2002/03	67.8%	75.2%
2003/04	69.3%	75.5%
2004/05	70.4%	77.4%
2005/06	70.4%	78.6%
2006/07	71.0%	79.5%
2007/08	70.7%	79.2%

* % of students completing in 3 years after entering Grade 10

** % of students completing in 5 years after entering Grade 10

Source: Alberta Education

Alberta Education base funding per student (Grades 1-9) and inflation

Year	Instructional grant	Inflation*
2000/01	\$4,096	3.4%
2001/02	\$4,239	2.3%
2002/03	\$4,367	3.4%
2003/04	\$4,454	4.4%
2004/05	\$4,963	1.4%
2005/06	\$5,087	2.1%
2006/07	\$5,291	3.9%
2007/08	\$5,450	5.0%
2008/09	\$5,697	3.1%
2009/10	\$6,038	-0.1%

* % change based on Alberta Consumer Price Index

**Instructional grants were partially funded by school board surpluses in 2009/10.

Source: Alberta Education and Statistics Canada

Number of teachers 1990/91-2009/10

Year	Active full-time	Active part-time
1990/91	26,301	3,308
1991/92	26,977	3,245
1992/93	27,080	3,379
1993/94	26,569	3,560
1994/95	25,628	3,875
1995/96	25,357	4,116
1996/97	25,595	3,896
1997/98	25,467	4,142
1998/99	26,557	4,346
1999/00	26,220	4,669
2000/01	27,236	4,932
2001/02	27,596	4,872
2002/03	27,706	5,011
2003/04	27,027	4,928
2004/05	28,201	5,058
2005/06	28,741	4,978
2006/07	29,056	4,686
2007/08	29,504	4,879
2008/09	30,063	4,759
2009/10	30,240	4,818

Source: The Alberta Teachers' Association.