

The White Bonus Document Cloud

Mississippi Public Schools and Race Data Set

In reporting The White Bonus, we pulled together data on Mississippi school enrollment, demographics, and spending from archival sources covering the years 1945 to 1987, which is now available on [Document Cloud](#) for all.

Below are five tables identifying the specifics on data we are sharing on public schools in Mississippi:

1. Total public school enrollment, all races
2. Public school enrollment by Race/Ethnic group,
3. School spending, overall and per pupil
4. Gifted and talented program enrollment and racial demographics
5. Advanced placement enrollment and racial demographics

(1) Total Public School Enrollment - All races			
Geographic Area	Years	Report Title	Where to find
Mississippi (State)	1899-1987	Reports of the State Superintendent of Education to the Legislature of Mississippi	The White Bonus resources in Document Cloud
	1987-present	Urban Institute Data Explorer	https://educationdata.urban.org/data-explorer
	2008-2021	Reports of the State Superintendent of Education to the Legislature of Mississippi	https://da.mdah.ms.gov/series/mde/mde-ar
All Mississippi School Districts, (includes Hattiesburg and Simpson)	1899-1987	Reports of the State Superintendent of Education to the Legislature of Mississippi	The White Bonus resources in Document Cloud
	1987-present	Urban Institute Data Explorer	https://educationdata.urban.org/data-explorer
	2008-2021	Reports of the State Superintendent of Education to the Legislature of Mississippi	https://da.mdah.ms.gov/series/mde/mde-ar
Hattiesburg Municipal School District - All Individual Schools	1970-1987	Reports to the Court for Civil Case #4706	The White Bonus resources in Document Cloud
	1987-present	Urban Institute Data Explorer	https://educationdata.urban.org/data-explorer
Simpson County School District - All Individual Schools	1970-1987	Reports to the Court for Civil Case #4706	The White Bonus resources in Document Cloud
	1987-present	Urban Institute Data Explorer	https://educationdata.urban.org/data-explorer

(2) Enrollment Demographics by Race/Ethnic group

Geographic Area	Years	Report Title	Where to find
Mississippi (State)	1899-1901, 1939-1941, 1945-1964	Reports of the State Superintendent of Education to the Legislature of Mississippi	The White Bonus resources in Document Cloud
	1987-present	Urban Institute Data Explorer	https://educationdata.urban.org/data-explorer
	2008-2021	Reports of the State Superintendent of Education to the Legislature of Mississippi	https://da.mdah.ms.gov/series/mde/mde-ar
All Mississippi School Districts	1899-1901, 1939-1941, 1945-1964	Reports of the State Superintendent of Education to the Legislature of Mississippi	The White Bonus resources in Document Cloud
	1987-present	Urban Institute Data Explorer	https://educationdata.urban.org/data-explorer
	2008-2021	Reports of the State Superintendent of Education to the Legislature of Mississippi	https://da.mdah.ms.gov/series/mde/mde-ar
Hattiesburg Municipal School District	1970-1987	Reports to the Court for Civil Case #4706	The White Bonus resources in Document Cloud
	1987-present	Urban Institute Data Explorer	https://educationdata.urban.org/data-explorer
Individual Schools in Hattiesburg Municipal School District	1970-1987	Reports to the Court for Civil Case #4706	The White Bonus resources in Document Cloud
	1987-present	Urban Institute Data Explorer	https://educationdata.urban.org/data-explorer
Simpson County School District	1970-1972	Reports to the Court for Civil Case #4706	The White Bonus resources in Document Cloud
	1987-present	Urban Institute Data Explorer	https://educationdata.urban.org/data-explorer
Individual Schools in Simpson County School District	1970-1972	Reports to the Court for Civil Case #4706	The White Bonus resources in Document Cloud
	1987-present	Urban Institute Data Explorer	https://educationdata.urban.org/data-explorer

(3) School Expenditures by District

Geographic Area	Years	Report Title	Where to find
Mississippi (State)	1899-1987	Reports of the State Superintendent of Education to the Legislature of Mississippi	The White Bonus resources in Document Cloud
	1987-present	Urban Institute Data Explorer	https://educationdata.urban.org/data-explorer
	2008-2021	Reports of the State Superintendent of Education to the Legislature of Mississippi	https://da.mdah.ms.gov/series/mde/mde-ar
All Mississippi School Districts, (includes Hattiesburg and Simpson)	1899-1987	Reports of the State Superintendent of Education to the Legislature of Mississippi	The White Bonus resources in Document Cloud
	1987-present	Urban Institute Data Explorer	https://educationdata.urban.org/data-explorer
	2008-2021	Reports of the State Superintendent of Education to the Legislature of Mississippi	https://da.mdah.ms.gov/series/mde/mde-ar

(4) Gifted and Talented Total Enrollment and Enrollment Demographics by Race/Ethnic Group			
Geographic Area	Years	Report Title	Where to find
Individual Schools in Hattiesburg Municipal School District	2001-2015	Mississippi Department of Education, Office of Reporting	The White Bonus resources in Document Cloud

(5) Advanced Placement Total Enrollment and Enrollment Demographics by Race/Ethnic Group			
Geographic Area	Years	Report Title	Where to find
Hattiesburg High School	2004-2012	Mississippi Department of Education, Office of Reporting	The White Bonus resources in Document Cloud

Explanation of Sources: Enrollment, Demographics, and Spending:

Reports of the State Superintendent of Education to the Legislature of Mississippi

The scans of these documents include the opening “Reports and Recommendations,” enrollment or average daily attendance tables for every school district in Mississippi, and expenditure report tables for every school district in Mississippi. Some reports also contain the income report tables.

The reports were biennial until the 1968-1969 school year, when they became annual.

Enrollment and attendance data was detailed by race for the early reports through the 1963-1965 Biennial report only. After that only total enrollment data is collected.

The following years are included in our scans:

1899-1901	1963-1965	1977-1978
1939-1941	1965-1967	1978-1979
1945-1947	1967-1969	1979-1980
1947-1949	1969-1970	1980-1981
1949-1951	1970-1971	1981-1982
1951-1953	1971-1972	1982-1983
1953-1955	1972-1973	1983-1984
1955-1957	1973-1974	1984-1985
1957-1959	1974-1975	1985-1986
1959-1961	1975-1976	1986-1987
1961-1963	1976-1977	

For digital copies of the Annual reports 2008 to present, see MDAH:

<https://da.mdah.ms.gov/series/mde/mde-ar>

Reports to the Court for Civil Case #4706

As a part of Civil Case #4706, school districts were required to report enrollment by race to the court, for each school as well as each class every October and March.

In reporting for The White Bonus, we pulled every October report available for Hattiesburg Municipal School District from its first required report in 1970 through 1987, as well as as many reports from Simpson County School District as possible. (Simpson County School District did not report as regularly as Hattiesburg Municipal School District).

The dockets for this case are included:

1970-USvStateOfMississippi-CV-4706 Docket 1 (covering 1970-2009)

1970-USvStateOfMississippi-CV-4706 Docket 2 (covering 2009-2022)

The integration reports we pulled and that are included here are:

1970-10-15_Hattiesburg	1978-10-15_Hattiesburg
1970-10-15-SimpsonCounty	1979-10-15_Hattiesburg
1971-03-17_SimpsonCounty	1980-10-15_Hattiesburg
1971-10-15_Hattiesburg	1981-10-15_Hattiesburg
1972-07-24_SimpsonCounty	1982-10-15_Hattiesburg
1972-10-15_Hattiesburg	1983-10-15_Hattiesburg
1973-10-15_Hattiesburg	1984-10-15_Hattiesburg
1974-10-15_Hattiesburg	1985-03-15_Hattiesburg
1975-10-15_Hattiesburg	1986-10-15_Hattiesburg
1976-10-15_Hattiesburg	1987-10-15_Hattiesburg
1977-10-15_Hattiesburg	

Documents for Civil Case #4706 can be found at the National Archives in Atlanta.

School Enrollment Data 1987-present

For all data 1987-present, we used the Urban Institute's Data Explorer:

<https://educationdata.urban.org/data-explorer>

Explanation of Sources: Gifted and Talented and Advanced Placement

Mississippi Gifted and Talented, Advanced Placement Datasets

Spreadsheets containing partially redacted data on Hattiesburg Municipal School District's gifted and talented designation by race and, separately, by grade, were provided by Mississippi Department of Education, Public Reporting Office for the years 2001-2016.

They also provided partially redacted data on Advanced Placement enrollment by race and grade for 2004-2012.

01-02 GIFTED STUDENTS
02-03 GIFTED STUDENTS
03-04 GIFTED STUDENTS
04-05 GIFTED STUDENTS

05-06 GIFTED STUDENTS
06-07 GIFTED STUDENTS
07-08 GIFTED STUDENTS
08-09 GIFTED STUDENTS

09-10 GIFTED STUDENTS
10-11 GIFTED STUDENTS
11-12 GIFTED STUDENTS
12-13 GIFTED STUDENTS

13-14 GIFTED STUDENTS
14-15 GIFTED STUDENTS
15-16 GIFTED STUDENTS
2004-02012 AP STUDENTS