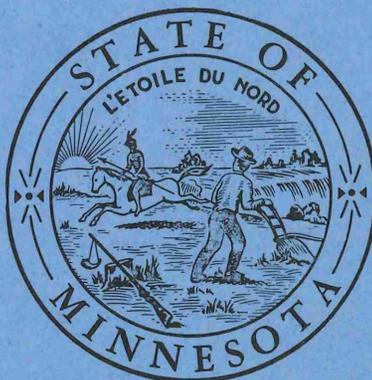




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To The Senators and Representatives
of the 1969, Legislature
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We submit to you our eleventh report on school district reorganization. This report covers the 1967-1969 biennium, and is made pursuant to provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1965, Section 122.24, Subdivision 1, which states:

"On or before January 15 of each odd-numbered year, the Commission shall report its activities and recommendations concerning school reorganization to the legislature."

Information and data covering the period from July 1, 1947 is included and will indicate comparative gains in school district organization since the passage of the original act pertaining to the reorganization of school districts.

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INTRODUCTION

The organization of School Districts into larger administrative units has received the attention of the legislature at each session during the past twenty years and covers the period from 1947 to 1967. The primary objective of school district reorganization is to make it possible for every child in the state to become a resident of a district which can provide a comprehensive educational program from Kindergarten through grade twelve. It is essential that the program has the scope and quality to meet the pupils needs in tomorrows world. To attain equality of education, the formation of strong desirable school districts is a must.

Since 1947 there has been a marked reduction in the number of school districts. As of July 1, 1968 there were 1,082 school districts maintaining classified schools compared to 7,606 school districts that were in existence during the first year of the reorganization program. During this twenty-one year period 6,524 school districts have been merged with districts maintaining graded elementary and secondary schools. This reduction has been accomplished through the use of the optional procedures of dissolution, consolidation and reorganization. Because of the permissive nature of these laws, the merger of school districts into desirable units of administration has not been accomplished.

The 1963 legislature provided for the inclusion of non-operating districts with districts maintaining classified schools as set forth in Chapter 547, Laws of 1963. This law made it possible for the non-operating districts to merge with other districts with classified schools on a voluntary basis before July 1, 1965. After that date the remaining non-operating districts were dissolved and attached by the County Board to districts which were operating classified schools. Because of the mandatory provisions of Chapter 547 nearly all non-operating school districts were merged during the school year of 1965-1966. Under the provisions of M.S. 122.33 non-operating districts after July 1, 1965 were automatically dissolved and attached by the county board to open and operating schools. People residing in these districts accepted the mandatory merger of their districts and as a result these districts were merged in an orderly manner.

In 1967 the legislature enacted into law Chapter 833. It provides for the merging of all districts without a secondary school with districts maintaing elementary and secondary schools on a voluntary basis prior to July 1, 1970. Remaining districts, not a part of a district with a twelve year program after July 1, 1970, will be dissolved by the County Commissioners and attached to such districts.

CHAPTER I

STATE ADVISORY COMMISSION ON SCHOOL REORGANIZATION

The State Advisory Commission was created in 1947 by the Legislature when they enacted Chapter 421, known as the school district reorganization law. The year 1967 marks the completion of twenty years of service by the people who have served as members of this Commission. During this twenty-year period, they have assisted sixty-three county school survey committees that were established under the provisions of Chapter 421, in formulating plans for good school district reorganization in their respective counties. In counties without elected school survey committees, the Commission has rendered service to local citizen committees in their studies relating to the program of school district enlargement. As a result the Commission through their recommendations have been responsible for the formation of stronger school districts with a program of education from grades one through twelve.

Commission Membership

The law provides that there shall be nine members on the State Advisory Commission as set forth in Minnesota Statutes, Section 122.24. Members are appointed by the State Board of Education to a six-year term on a staggered basis. As vacancies occur on the Commission, the State Board of Education is authorized to fill such vacancies by appointment.

The Commissioner of Education serves as the ex-officio secretary and executive officer of the State Advisory Commission. The School District Organization Section has been transferred from the Division of Instruction to the Division of Administration within the Department of Education. Because of the technical and legal aspects relating to school district organization, the responsibility of directing the program has been assigned to the Section of School District Organization. Staff members of the School District Organization Section are available to assist school boards, school administrators and local citizens committees in making studies and formulating plans for sound school district organization.

Duties of the Commission

The duties of the State Advisory Commission are defined in Minnesota Statutes, Section 122.24, Subdivision 1, follows:

"The State Commission shall formulate aims, goals, principles, procedures of public school organization in Minnesota. The Commission shall review the tentative reports of the several county school survey committees, and within 90 days after receipt thereof shall make suggestions to the respective committees concerning their reports as may seem appropriate, giving due consideration to the educational needs of local communities and economical transportation and administration, to the future use of satisfactory school buildings and sites, to the convenience and welfare of the pupils, to the ability of the several communities to support adequate schools, to equalization of educational opportunity and to any other matters which, in their judgment seem advisable. On or before January 15 of each odd-numbered year, the Commission shall report its activities and recommendations concerning school reorganization to the legislature."

The reorganization law under Minnesota Statutes, Section 122.24, Subdivision 16 provides for a hearing before an appeal board composed of five impartial members appointed by the State Advisory Commission to hear the grievances of the people of school districts included in the recommendations as set forth in the final report of the county school survey committee. During the current biennium, no appeals were filed with the Commission.

Commission Meetings and Activities

The State Advisory Commission attended eight official meetings during the present biennium. Upon the recommendation of the commission, County Auditors of the state prepared maps of their counties showing the boundaries of the school districts that were in existence as of December 1, 1965. The original maps were reproduced and are on file for the use of the reorganization section, and other divisions of the State Department of Education as well as the Mobile Homes Section of the Highway Department, Tax Department and other Departments of State who need them for reference.

The reorganization of school districts serving the several Indian reservations was recommended by Mr. Roy Larson, Director of Indian Education. Problems peculiar to the areas of Pine Point and White Earth in Becker County; Naytahwaush in Mahanoma County; Vineland in Mille Lacs County; Nett Lake in St. Louis County and Bishop Whipple in Redwood County was discussed by the Commission as related to the formation of school districts that can meet the educational needs of all Indian children. It was stressed that these children should have the same opportunity for a good comprehensive program of education by being residents of a district with a complete program from kindergarten through grade twelve as all other children of the state. The commission was informed that such an arrangement would make it possible for the pupils to continue their education in Area Vocational Schools and other schools of higher learning. This objective can be achieved by the inclusion of all territory with a twelve year program.

The organization of intermediate units was discussed by the commission. These units would be a service agency to provide assistance in the areas of testing guidance and special education to one or more school districts. This type of organization would serve as an administrative link between the school districts and the State Department of Education. The members of the commission expressed the opinion that such units should not be encouraged until all territory of the state was assigned to a district with a twelve year program. Since the 1967 session of the Legislature, the Commission devoted considerable time studying the Chapter 833 which provides that all area be in Independent School Districts or in Special School Districts maintaining elementary and secondary schools as of July 1, 1970. Procedures for carrying out the provisions of the law were reviewed.

The statewide study of elementary, secondary and Area Vocational technical Education in Minnesota as authorized by the State Board of Education under Title V of Public Law 89-10, and referred to as "Education 1967" was reviewed by Mr. Manley Olson, Assistant Director of the study in his presentation to the Commission. The Commission Members expressed a great deal of interest in the study as related to recommendation effecting school district organization at the elementary and secondary level.

The "Criteria Recommendations" of the State Board of Education which were based upon the study "Education 67" was reviewed by the Commissioner of Education with the State Advisory Commission on School District Organization.

No reorganization proposals were submitted by County School Survey Committees to the State Advisory Commission on School District Organization during this biennium. Eighty-two districts were merged by the consolidation procedure and 211 districts were dissolved and attached to other districts with elementary and secondary schools by the county boards of commissioner in this two year period.

COUNTY SCHOOL SURVEY COMMITTEES

County school survey committees were organized on an optional basis under the provisions of Chapter 421, as passed by the 1947 legislature. At meetings held during the fall of that year, the school boards in 62 counties voted to establish survey committees. The school boards in 21 counties voted against the forming of a survey committee. In 1949 legislation was enacted which permitted the 21 remaining counties to vote a second time on the question of establishing such committees and, as a result, one additional committee was organized. A total of 63 counties had functioning survey committees at that time. In 1953 the legislature amended the reorganization law, which permitted counties to abolish their survey committees by a majority vote of the school board members present at such meeting; and as a result eleven survey committees were abolished. The provision of law for the abolishment of survey committees was later rewritten and amended by the 1955 legislature.

When the work of the survey committee has been completed, it may, under the provisions of the present law, request that the State Advisory Commission disband the committee. To date, the State Advisory Commission, by official action, has approved the disbanding of five county school survey committees. There are at the present time 47 officially organized school survey committees in existence. Chart 1 on Page 6 indicates the counties that have school survey committees. It also shows those counties where the school boards voted to abolish their respective survey committees, together with those counties in which no survey committees were established. Also indicated are counties whose survey committees were disbanded through the approval of the State Advisory Commission. Table I lists the counties in which there are organized county school survey committees.

Table I

COUNTIES WITH ORGANIZED COUNTY SCHOOL

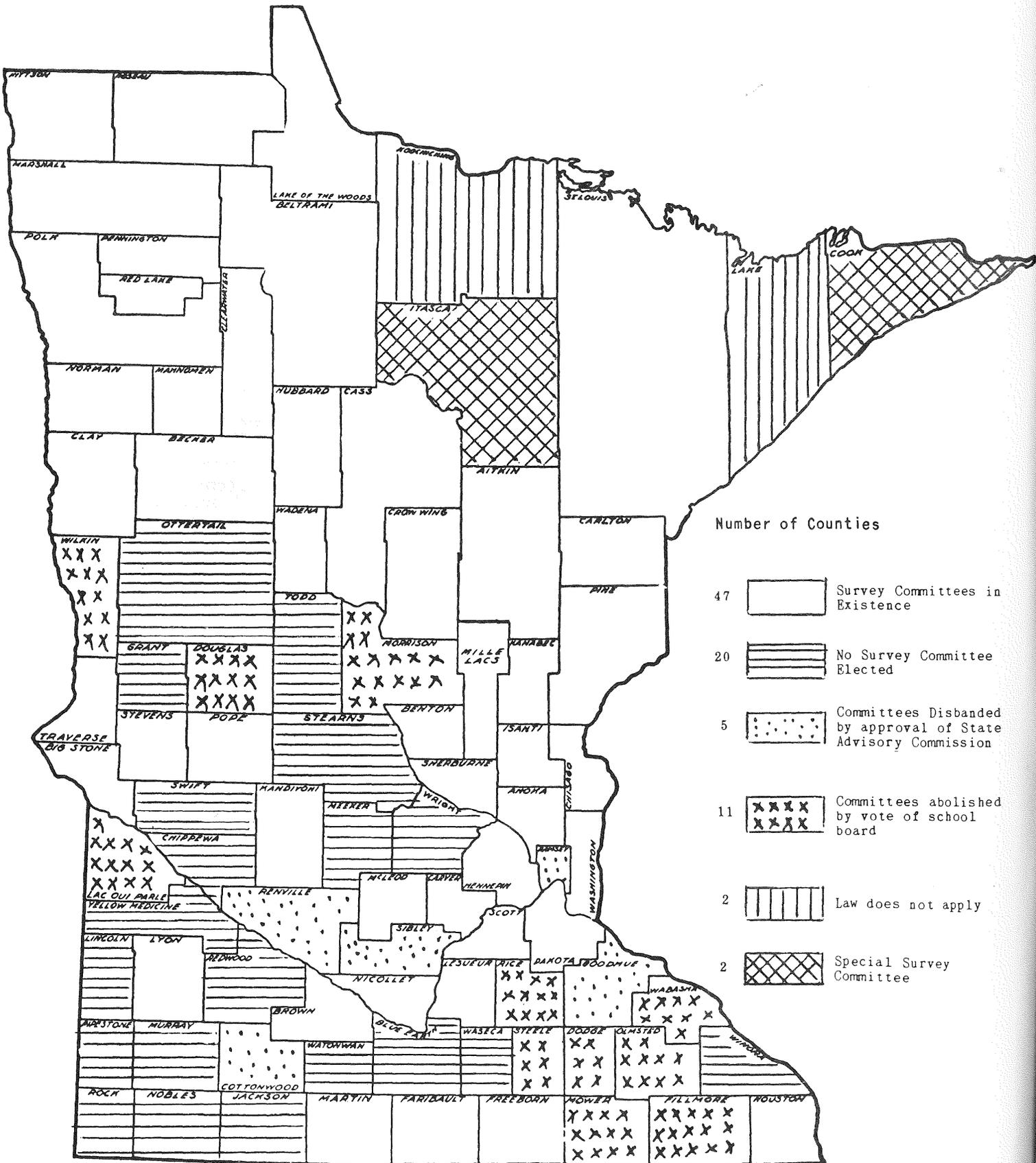
SURVEY COMMITTEES

Aitkin	Freeborn	Nicollet
Anoka	Hennepin	Norman
Becker	Houston	Fennington
Beltrami	Hubbard	Pine
Benton	Isanti	Polk
Big Stone	Kanabec	Pope
Brown	Kandiyohi	Red Lake
Carlton	Kittson	Roseau
Carver	Lake of the Woods	St. Louis
Cass	Le Sueur	Scott
Chisago	Lyon	Sherburne
Clay	McLeod	Stevens
Clearwater	Mahnomen	Traverse
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Dakota	Martin	Washington
Faribault	Mille Lacs	

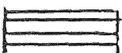
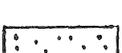
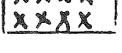
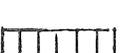
Annually, thereafter, on the date of the regular annual county school officers meetings in any county wherein a survey committee is organized, the County Superintendent shall conduct a meeting of all school board members for the purpose of electing committeemen to fill vacancies on the School Survey Committee when their terms have expired. Many counties that authorized the formation of county school survey committees have not followed the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 122.24, Subdivision 6 and therefore such committees no longer have qualified members serving on the school survey committee.

CHART I

County Survey Committees



Number of Counties

- 47  Survey Committees in Existence
- 20  No Survey Committee Elected
- 5  Committees Disbanded by approval of State Advisory Commission
- 11  Committees abolished by vote of school board
- 2  Law does not apply
- 2  Special Survey Committee

CHAPTER II

SCHOOL DISTRICT REORGANIZATION

Aims and Objectives

The Minnesota Legislature in 1947 established the State Advisory Commission on School Reorganization and charged it with the responsibility of formulating aims, goals, principles and procedures of public school organization in Minnesota. In the 1960 revision of its "Manual for County School Survey Committee" the Commission reemphasized the characteristics of a desirable school district in these words:

"One of the primary aims and goals in the reorganization of the school district system in Minnesota is to have every child a resident of a district offering a unified and comprehensive program of elementary and secondary education with adequate standards and at reasonable cost to the taxpayers. The constantly increasing demands in our social and economic living for more and better education makes any district organization outmoded which does not maintain both elementary and secondary school for its resident pupils. The desirable school administrative unit in many areas will also have facilities for extending its educational services into the adult life of the community as well."

In the attainment of the goal, the efforts of the people are centered along two principal courses: (1) bringing into the larger district all districts which are not maintaining a secondary school, and (2) merging of small secondary schools into stronger units of operation.

The Minnesota State Board of Education, in their reaction to Education 67 requested that the Department of Education prepare a response to this document. As a consequence a condensed Report was prepared as set forth in its Criteria Recommendations. We concur with the following statement appearing in this document: "All dialogue regarding desirable school size, desirable district size and methods of financing must be grounded in a commitment to offering an educational program of a certain magnitude and quality to the student population to be served as it is similar to the above statement that appeared in the 1960 Revision of our Manual for County School Survey Committee."

Basic Criteria in District Reorganization

The scope and quality of public school opportunities are in a very large measure dependent upon an adequate district structure. Good school district organization provides the necessary resources which make it possible to provide well for the varying needs, interests and abilities of its population. These resources include the human as well as the fiscal elements.

The Human Resources. A district with an adequate student population will be able to use its financial resources in an efficient manner to provide a varied program of education which will satisfy the different needs, interests, and abilities of all children.

To fix a minimum enrollment for all districts throughout the state is very difficult and in some cases even unrealistic because of varying geographic conditions. What is of primary importance is that the educational program be of uniform high caliber in all areas and that this be assured by strong state support.

The Financial Resources. To set a specific amount of assessed valuation as a measure of sound district reorganization is difficult if not impossible because of a great variance of this factor throughout the state. Taxes and tax bases are unequal from district to district. Because of this the tax base must be broad and sufficient enough to provide the required program without excessive burden to the local taxpayer. Where local funds are insufficient, state and federal funds must be provided. It is felt that the state should provide at least 50% of the total cost of a thorough and effective program of education.

Procedures Used in District Reorganization

Many secondary school districts are finding it to be important and even urgent to discuss and plan mergers with other secondary districts. Many factors are contributing to this move toward consolidation, some of which are:

Sharp decline in birth rate,
sharp decline in pre-schoolers,
rising costs of education,
need for more varied educational program,
decline in number of available and qualified teachers,
demand for more efficient use of school funds.

There are presently four procedures available to the citizens of Minnesota for changing school boundaries and strengthening districts, they are:

M.S. 122.21 Detachment and Annexation
M.S. 122.22 Dissolution and Attachment
M.S. 122.23 Consolidation
M.S. 122.24 Reorganization

Steps under these procedures are outlined below:

Detachment and Annexation of Land (M.S. 122.21) The procedure for the "Detachment and Annexation of Land" is the responsibility of the County Board of Commissioners.

PROCEDURE

(1) The owner will present a petition to the County Board through the County Auditor requesting the transfer of his land from one district to an adjoining district. Several petitions may be presented at one time, provided each involves land that is included in another pending petition. If the land proposed to be detached is part of a district which maintains and operates a secondary school, the board of that district must consent to the transfer before the petition is filed with the County Board.

(2) A hearing must be held by the County Board on the petitions.

(3) The County Board will adopt a resolution either approving or denying the petition.

(4) The County Board cannot act on petitions if the lands described in such petitions are included in a plat for consolidation which has been submitted to the Commissioner of Education and a copy filed with the County Auditor. (For priority of procedures, see Supreme Court decision in Common School District 1317 etc. Norman County vs. Board of County Commissioners, Norman County etc. 127 NW (2)529.)

(5) If the district from which the land is being transferred has a bonded debt, such land will continue to carry the tax levy for the retirement of such bonded debt until it is paid. Lands attached to another district will assume all tax levies of such district including the levy for any existing bonded debt.

(6) If the County Board grants the petition, the County Auditor will provide the Commissioner of Education with a copy of the order.

Dissolution and Attachment of Districts (MS 122.22) The procedure of dissolving and annexing school districts is the responsibility of the County Board of Commissioners. a brief outline of procedure follows:

PROCEDURE

(1) The procedure is initiated either by an election within the school district for the purpose of adopting a resolution requesting the County Board to dissolve the district and annex it to some other adjoining district or the presentation of a petition signed by the majority of the resident freeholders of the district requesting the same disposition of the district.

(2) The County Board will set a date for a hearing on such petition or resolution at which time the proponents and opponents may present their views on the proposal.

(3) If the County Board approves the petition or resolution, an interlocutory order is issued which will become effective not less than 45 days from the date of the order, or later if an election is ordered on debt assumption.

(4) If an election on the approval of debt assumption is requested by the receiving district, then the interlocutory order will become effective only if the voters of the dissolved district approve such bonded debt assumption.

(5) The County Board cannot act on petitions or resolutions if the district is included in a plat for consolidation approved by the Commissioner.

(6) The County Auditor is required to provide the Commissioner of Education with copies of the notice of hearing, the interlocutory orders, the final orders regarding debt assumption elections, and the resolutions denying the petitions or resolutions of dissolution and attachment.

Consolidation (M.S. 122.23)

General. Request is made to the County Superintendent for the preparation of a plat for consolidation. Following the approval of the plat by the Commissioner of Education, an election on consolidation is held for voters residing in districts not maintaining a secondary school. The consolidation is completed if the election favors the consolidation, and if the school board of the district maintaining the secondary school has adopted a resolution accepting the approved plat.

Guidelines. The following outline will serve as a guide to those who will be using this procedure in the enlargement of districts. The superintendent of the county which contains the greatest land area of the proposed new district is officially in charge of the procedures.

GUIDELINES

a. Requirements for a Proposed New District

(1) It must contain at least 18 sections of land.

(2) It must be composed of contiguous area unless an entire district is to be part of a district which maintains a secondary school and there is no district intervening which maintains a secondary school.

(3) It may include common or independent districts, or parts thereof, or unorganized territory, or any combination of these.

b. Initiating the Consolidation Plat

The County Superintendent shall cause a plat to be prepared:

(1) Upon a resolution of a school board in the area proposed for consolidation, or

(2) Upon petition therefor, executed by 25 per cent of the voters resident within the area of the proposed district (or by 50 of such voters, which ever is the lesser).

c. Preparation of the Plat and Supporting Statement

(1) The plat. The form Code F-26-4(2-68) shall be used for the preparation of the plat and the information provided as required in the directions on the form and in the mimeographed statement.

(2) Supporting statement. The County Superintendent shall submit a supporting statement with the plat giving the reasons for the consolidation and supplementary data not on the plat.

d. Presenting the Plat and Statement

(1) The plat shall be submitted to the Commissioner who shall approve, modify or reject such plat within 60 days.

(2) Copies of plat and supporting statement shall be filed with the auditors of each county containing land area in the proposed consolidation.

e. Procedures Following Approval of the Plat

(1) The County Superintendent is informed by the Commissioner of Education of the decision and a copy of the plat with endorsement is returned to the county office.

(2) The County Superintendent will inform all school boards concerned with such plat of the Commissioner's decision.

FOR APPROVED PLATS:

(1) School boards of districts maintaining secondary schools must adopt resolutions accepting or rejecting the approved plat within 45 days.

(2) Where there are two districts maintaining secondary schools, the school boards must publish their action in the local papers and an election may be required in cases where a petition is presented requesting a referendum vote on the question.

(3) In districts not maintaining secondary schools:

(a) Petitions signed by at least 25 per cent of the resident freeholders qualified to vote at a school election, from each district or part of district, must be presented to the County Superintendent within 60 days.

(b) When the proper petitions have been received from all districts and portions of districts the County Superintendent will:

1. Post the proper notices specifying purpose, date, hours and place of election, and appoint three judges for each election precinct.

2. Receive the results of the elections as certified by the judges for each election precinct and tabulate the vote for all precincts and file ballots for safekeeping.

f. Order of Consolidation

If the vote favors the consolidation and if the necessary approving resolutions have been adopted, the County Superintendent shall issue his order.

(1) The order shall set the effective date for the consolidation, not later than July 1 next following the election.

(2) Copies of the letter shall be delivered to the clerk of each district affected by the order, to each county auditor holding a copy of the plat, and to the Commissioner of Education.

Reorganization Procedures (M.S. 122.24) A new method of approach to the program of school district enlargement was provided when the 1947 legislature enacted the School District Reorganization Law. This act provided for the creation of a State Advisory Commission on School Reorganization and for County School Survey Committees. Survey Committees were elected in 63 counties. There are 47 counties at present that still are listed as having survey committees. In actuality, none of these are functioning and active at the present time and the Reorganization Procedure has not been used for the past ten or eleven years.

Recent Legislation Concerned with School District Reorganization

Prior to 1963, legislation concerning school district reorganization was permissive. Under these permissive laws progress was very slow. Since that date two laws have been passed concerning Mandatory School district alteration which have brought speedy and effective action. These two laws are described as follows:

1. Closed School Law (122.31, 122.32, 122.33) 1963

This law provides for the dissolution and attachment of any organized school district not maintaining a classified school and sets a deadline of July 1, 1965.

2. Chapter 833 (122.42) 1967

This law provides for the dissolution and attachment of all school districts not providing a program of education in grades 1-12 by July 1, 1971.

Both of these laws seem to be accomplishing the tasks for which they were designed and doing it in a smooth and effective manner. This leads many authorities to believe that the next logical step is mandatory legislation for the dissolution and attachment of certain ineffective secondary districts, and that real progress will not be made until such legislation is adopted. At the present time the Office of Planning and Development in the Department has been directed to prepare a state plan for the reorganization of School Districts statewide and using the Criteria Recommendations as a guide.

CHAPTER III

Progress Report on School District Enlargement

The eleventh biennial report on school district reorganization to the sixty-sixth legislature, as submitted by the State Advisory Commission on School Reorganization will show a considerable decrease in the number of school districts in Minnesota since the issuance of the first report to the fifty-sixth Legislature in 1949. Three important laws have been passed during this period by the Legislature: Chapter 421 (M.S.122.24) pertaining to School District Reorganization was passed in 1947, Chapter 547 (M.S.122.31 thru 122.33) relates to the merger of Non-operating schools in 1963 and Chapter 833 (M.S. 122.42 through 122.51) passed in 1967 provides for the inclusion of all territory in Independent and special school districts having graded elementary and secondary schools for grades one through twelve along with the prior existing laws of consolidation, M.S. 122.23 and dissolution, 122.22 have been responsible for the formation of larger school districts. Through these several laws it is now possible for the people of the state to create districts wherein all pupils can become residents of districts having a comprehensive twelve year program of education. As of July 1, 1968, there were 1,082 school districts in existence compared to the 7,606 districts on July 1, 1947. This represents a total reduction of 6,524 school districts. During the current biennium 293 districts were merged, of this number 82 districts were by consolidation and 211 by dissolution.

To meet the objective that all territory of the state be included in a district maintaining a graded elementary and secondary school, it is essential that the entire assessed valuation be available to support a more adequate program of education. It is to be noted that only 4.5 percent of the taxable valuation remains within districts maintaining only elementary schools at the present time. In 1947 these districts had 49.5 percent of the valuation. Over 95 percent of the existing assessed valuation is now in districts providing a twelve year program of education. Referring to Chart 2 on page 18 it shows the percentage change in the assessed valuation from July 1, 1947 to July 1, 1967 in districts maintaining only elementary schools and those with graded elementary and secondary schools, outside of the three cities of the first class.

During the period from 1947 to 1967 the assessed valuations have decreased in the districts maintaining only elementary schools, while districts operating graded elementary and secondary schools have had a significant increase in the total valuation, the assessed valuation in districts maintaining graded elementary and secondary schools had a valuation of \$1,702,039,921 in 1967 compared to \$458,677,921 in 1947. Districts with elementary schools only experience a decrease in the assessed valuation from \$468,357,555 to \$114,051,862. Chart 2 on page 18 shows the change in the assessed valuations.

For the school year of 1966-1967, 859,075 pupils were enrolled in the public schools. Districts having a twelve year educational program enrolled 834,780 pupils or 97.2 percent of the total enrollment. There were 24,295 pupils enrolled in the ungraded elementary schools and this represents only 2.8 percent of the total enrollment. It is to be noted that 1,801 pupils in the ungraded elementary schools were enrolled in grades seven and eight and thus were not given the opportunity of being enrolled in a district having a good Junior high school program which is so essential in this day and age. Chart 3 on page 19 indicates the percent of the total enrollment residing in districts with a program of education from grades one through twelve in each county of the state. Chart 4 on page 20 shows the resident status of pupils enrolled in the graded elementary and secondary schools, as well as those who are residents of districts maintaining ungraded elementary schools only.

Charts and Tables are also included in this report that provides information regarding the present status of school district organization. Table 2 on page 15 shows the year by year reduction from July 1, 1947 to July 1, 1968. For the current biennium a summary report on school district enlargement appears in Table 3 on page Table 4 on page 17 is a summary report on district enlargement by counties. The number of school districts by counties as of July 1, 1968 are shown on Chart 5 on page 21.

During this two year period there has been a further reduction in the number of school districts. On July 1, 1968, the number of districts in the state had been reduced by approximately 86 percent, compared to 82 percent on July 1, 1966. This represents a gain of about four percent over the previous biennium.

As of July 1, 1968, twenty three counties have attained the goal wherein all pupils are residents of districts with classified graded elementary and secondary schools with a twelve year program of education. These counties are as follows:

Anoka	Clay	Cook	Cottonwood	Dakota	Dodge
Faribault	Freeborn	Hennepin	Itasca	Kittson	Koochiching
Lake	Mower	Norman	Pipestone	Ramsey	Renville
Scott	Sibley	Traverse	Waseca	Washington	

Chart 6 on page 22 shows the counties that have achieved resident status for all pupils in districts with a comprehensive program of education from grades one through twelve.

Although there has been a substantial reduction in the number of school districts in the state there still remains considerable work to be done in the development of districts that can provide broad comprehensive program of education for all its resident pupils from grades one through twelve.

TABLE II

Reduction of School Districts Year by Year Since 1947

Date	Total Number of Districts	Reduction During the Year	Total Reduction Since 1947 (Cumulative)
July 1, 1947	7,606		
July 1, 1948	7,518	88	88
July 1, 1949	7,479	39	127
July 1, 1950	6,757	722	849
July 1, 1951	6,479	278	1,127
July 1, 1952	6,018	461	1,588
July 1, 1953	5,298	720	2,308
July 1, 1954	4,722	576	2,884
July 1, 1955	4,261	461	3,345
July 1, 1956	3,634	627	3,972
July 1, 1957	3,298	336	4,308
July 1, 1958	3,084	214	4,522
July 1, 1959	2,814	270	4,792
July 1, 1960	2,579	235	5,027
July 1, 1961	2,410	169	5,196
July 1, 1962	2,271	139	5,335
July 1, 1963	2,148	123	5,458
July 1, 1964	1,999	149	5,607
July 1, 1965	1,742	257	5,864
July 1, 1966	1,375	367	6,231
July 1, 1967	1,242	133	6,364
July 1, 1968	1,082	160	6,524

Table III

Summary of School District Enlargement

from

July 1, 1966 to July 1, 1968

1.	Number of School Districts, July 1, 1966	1,375
2.	Number Merged from July 1, 1966 to July 1, 1967	
	By Consolidation	42
	By Dissolution	<u>91</u>
	Total	133
	Number Merged from July 1, 1967 to July 1, 1968	
	By Consolidation	40
	By Dissolution	<u>120</u>
	Total	160
	Total Number Merged from July 1, 1966 to July 1, 1968	<u>293</u>
3.	Number of School Districts July 1, 1968	1,082
4.	Number of Districts Merged from July 1, 1947 to July 1, 1968. .	<u>6,524</u>
5.	Number of School Districts, July 1, 1947	7,606
6.	Number of Districts with Classified Graded Elementary and Secondary Schools	451
	Number of Districts with Elementary Schools Only	631
	Total Number of School Districts	1,082

Table IV
SUMMARY REPORT ON SCHOOL DISTRICT ENLARGEMENT

July 1, 1947 to July 1, 1968

County	Number of Districts			Total Reduc- tion	County	Number of Districts			Total Reduc- tion
	7-1-47	7-1-68				7-1-47	7-1-68		
		S	E			S	E		
Aitkin	102	4	1	97	Martin	110	8	2	100
Anoka	57	6	0	51	Meeker	92	5	30	57
Becker	133	4	2	127	Mille Lacs	59	4	9	46
Beltrami	59	4	7	48	Morrison	139	7	29	103
Benton	64	2	19	43	Mower	115	7	1	107
Big Stone	60	4	3	53	Murray	113	4	4	105
Blue Earth	122	8	6	14	Nicollet	62	2	4	56
Brown	82	4	21	57	Nobles	110	5	5	100
Carlton	34	7	2	25	Norman	103	6	0	97
Carver	66	4	10	52	Olmsted	125	5	29	91
Cass	23	6	2	15	Otter Tail	281	9	61	211
Chippewa	87	4	8	75	Pennington	68	2	3	63
Chisago	49	5	3	41	Pine	108	6	8	94
Clay	102	7	0	95	Pipestone	72	4	0	68
Clearwater	56	3	5	48	Polk	213	9	14	190
Cook	7	1	0	6	Pope	90	4	5	81
Cottonwood	76	5	0	71	Ramsey	30	5	0	25
Crow Wing	96	3	9	84	Red Lake	53	3	1	49
Dakota	102	9	0	93	Redwood	112	8	10	94
Dodge	82	5	0	77	Renville	131	10	0	121
Douglas	96	5	18	73	Rice	106	3	22	81
Faribault	118	10	0	108	Rock	68	3	4	61
Fillmore	174	8	3	163	Roseau	79	4	7	68
Freeborn	128	5	0	123	St. Louis	29	17	5	7
Goodhue	155	7	3	145	Scott	67	5	0	62
Grant	71	5	1	65	Sherburne	52	3	1	48
Hennepin	90	16	1	73	Sibley	78	5	0	73
Houston	104	4	5	95	Stearns	203	10	33	160
Hubbard	56	4	7	45	Steel	86	4	25	57
Isanti	68	2	10	56	Stevens	68	3	1	64
Itasca	6	4	0	2	Swift	93	4	11	78
Jackson	104	5	1	98	Todd	143	7	34	102
Kanabec	57	2	6	49	Traverse	60	3	0	57
Kandiyohi	109	4	30	75	Wabasha	96	5	5	86
Kittson	68	6	0	62	Wadena	60	4	5	51
Koochiching	4	3	0	1	Waseca	83	4	0	79
Lac qui Parle	104	5	1	98	Washington	65	4	0	61
Lake	1	1	0	0	Watonwan	62	3	4	55
Lake of the Woods	11	2	2	7	Wilkin	80	3	8	69
Le Sueur	95	5	1	89	Winona	114	3	16	95
Lincoln	76	5	1	70	Wright	138	9	36	93
Lyon	98	7	2	89	Yellow Medicine	92	6	2	84
McLeod	83	6	1	76					
Mahnomen	23	2	2	19					
Marshall	140	8	4	128					
					Totals	7,606	451	631	6,524

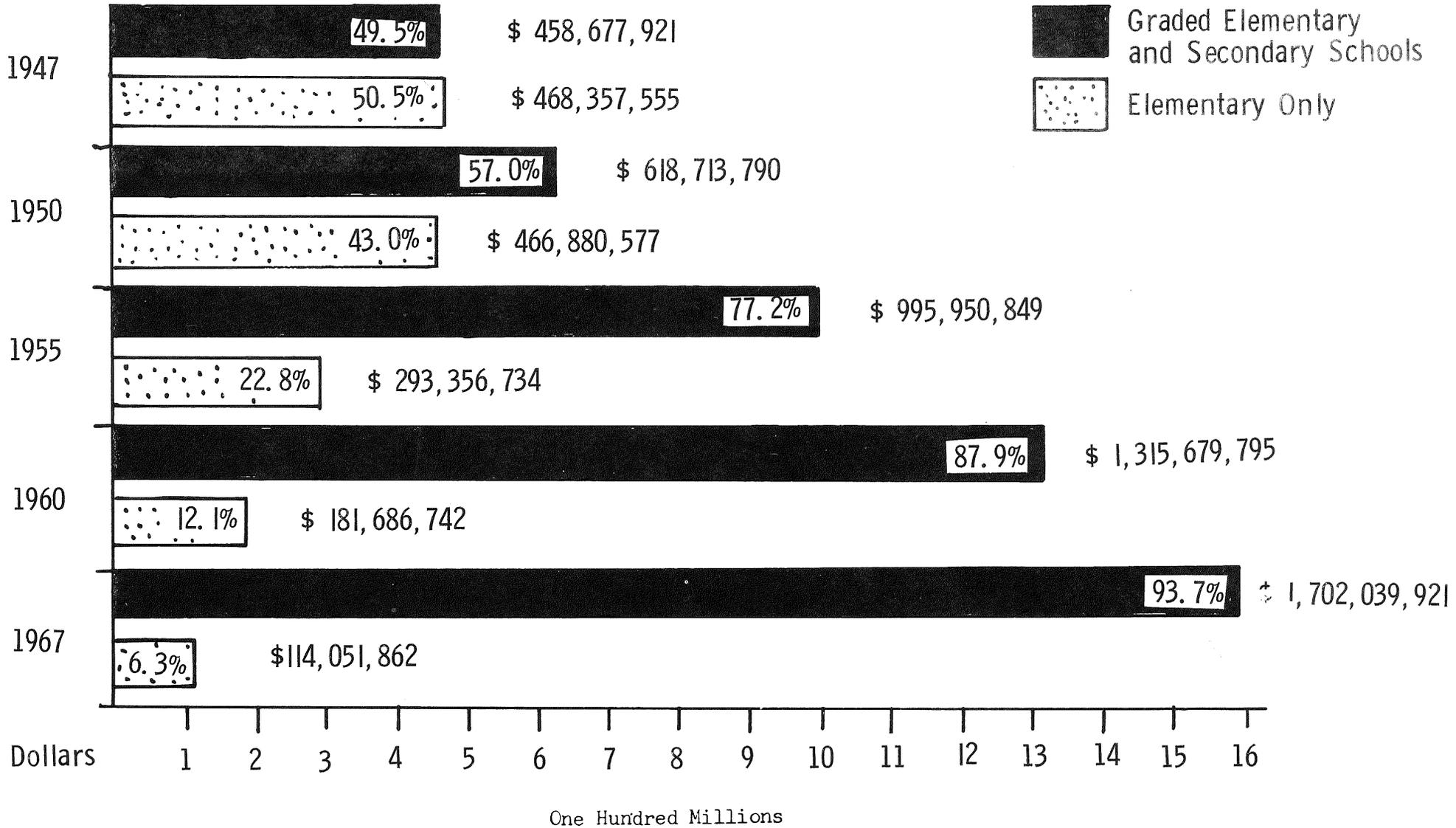
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(E) Districts with Elementary Schools Only

CHART II

Assessed Valuations Shift
From Rural to Urban Districts

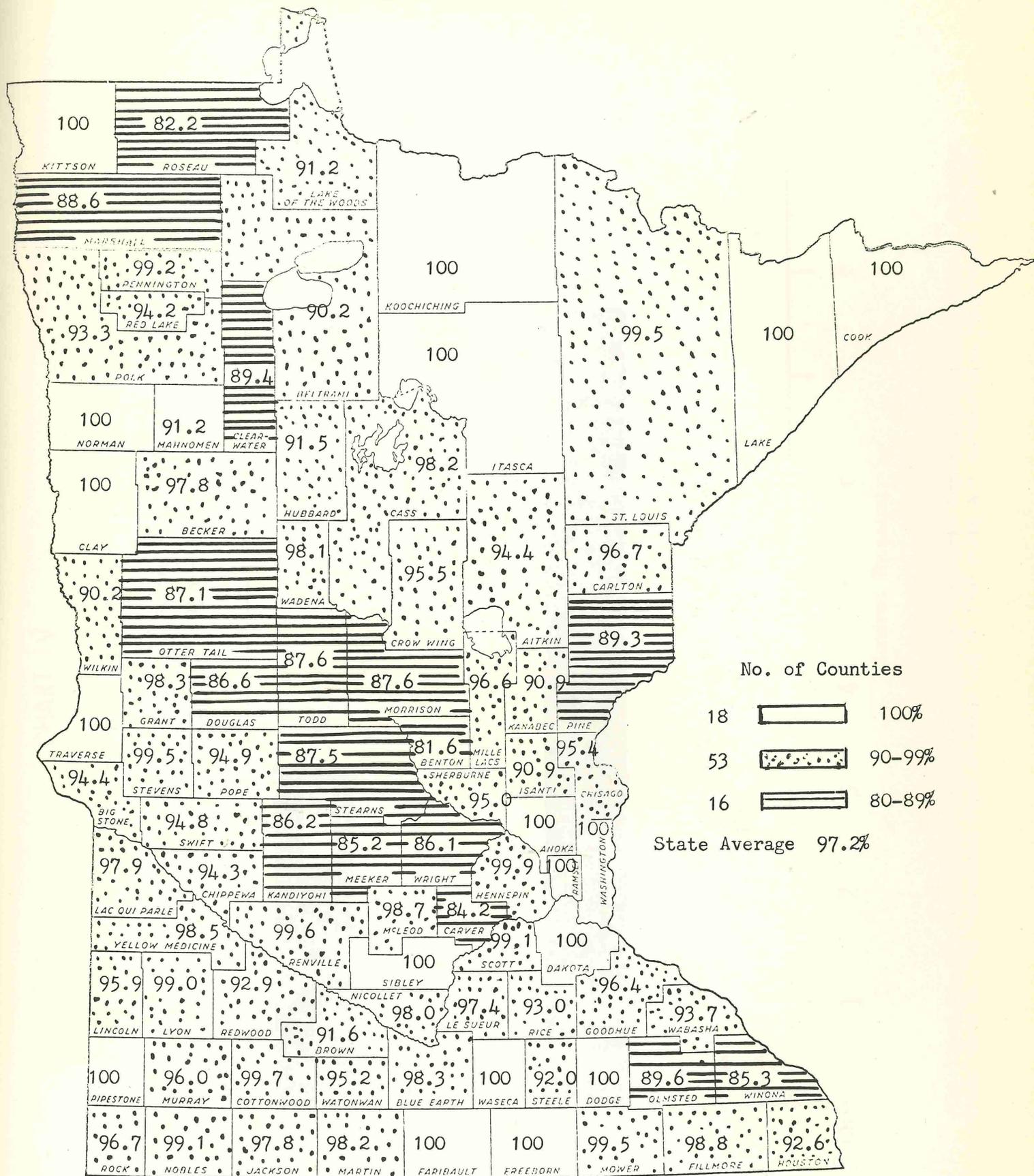
Districts Maintaining



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*Assessed valuations for cities of the first class not included

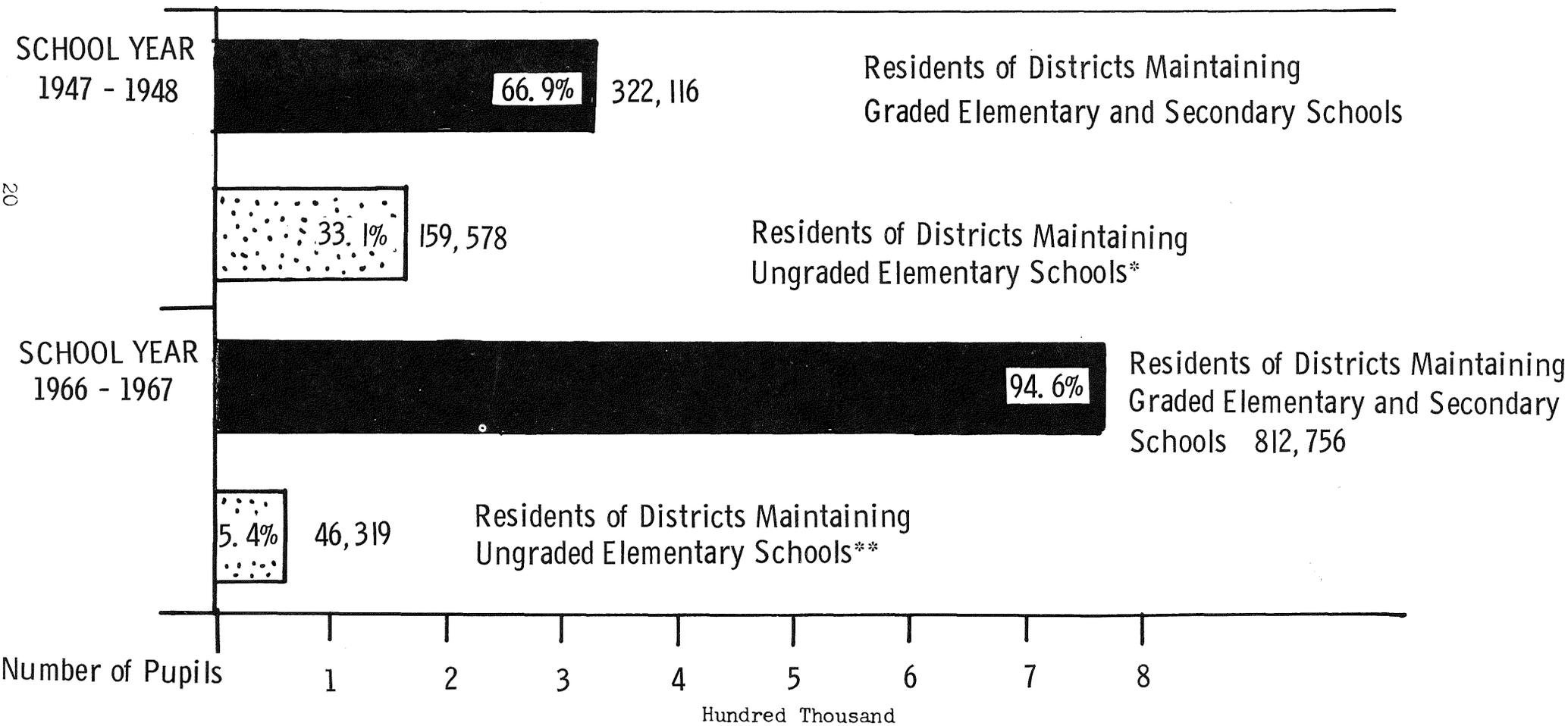
Chart III
 Percent of Total Enrollment Attending
 School in Districts with a Twelve Year
 Program by Counties 1966-1967 Data



Over 97% of the total enrollment in the state attend school in districts with a twelve year program

CHART IV

RESIDENT STATUS OF PUPILS
ENROLLED IN MINNESOTA SCHOOLS
1947 - 1948 and 1966 - 1967



*Includes 45,243 Secondary Pupils Residing in Districts Not Maintaining Secondary Schools
**Includes 22,024 Secondary Pupils Residing in Districts Not Maintaining Secondary Schools

CHAPTER IV

TRENDS AFFECTING FUTURE DISTRICT ORGANIZATION

For the period from 1947 and up to the present time many changes have taken place which have had an effect upon the over all educational planning in the state. The time has now arrived to reevalutate the program of district enlargement in light of present day demands upon education. There are some important trends relative to population, number of farms and the number of people residing on farms, birth rates, school census and enrollments which are causing some concern as to the status of districts which are attempting to maintain their elementary and secondary schools.

Population Shifts From Rural to Urban Centers

There has been a constant migration of the rural population into the larger centers of population. This is brought out when one compares the rural and urban ratio between the 1950 and 1960 census reports. In 1950, approximately 55 percent of the people lived in the urban centers and about 45 percent resided in the rural area. The 1960 census shows that 62 percent of the population may be found in the urban centers and 38 percent reside in the small villages of less than 2500 population and on farms. Between 1940 and 1950, 38 of the 87 counties had an increase in population, 48 counties had a decrease and in one county there was no change. For the census period from 1950 to 1960 50 counties gained and 37 counties lost in population.

The Minnesota Department of Health Section of Vital statistics has prepared population estimates up to July 1, 1967. In their report they state "The Minnesota population was 3,582,000 as of July 1, 1967, according to estimates prepared by the Section of Vital Statistics, Minnesota Department of Health. The 1967 estimate represents an increase of 10,000 over the 1966 estimate and 168,136 over 1960. The new figure is the same as the latest U.S. Bureau of the Census estimate of total state population.

Population gain in the seven-county metropolitan area (Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington) was 188,824 (12.4%) for the seven-year period 1960-67. Total 1967 population for the metropolitan area was 1,714,121 which represents 47.9 percent of the state's entire population.

Altogether, 53 Minnesota counties have lost population since 1960; 14 counties have gained population at a rate lower than the state rate of 4.9%; and 20 counties have gained population at a rate higher than the state.

Table V on page 24 gives the population estimates by counties to July 1, 1967. It is to be noted that the rural areas of the state are declining in population and this going to have an important effect upon the future enrollments among the districts with small secondary schools.

TABLE V

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Section of Vital StatisticsPopulation Estimates by County
July 1, 1967

County	April 1 1960	July 1 1967	Net Change	
			Number	Percent
Aitkin	12,162	11,662	- 500	- 4.1
Anoka	85,916	126,494	40,578	47.2
Becker	23,959	24,965	1,006	4.2
Beltrami	23,425	21,900	-1,525	- 6.5
Benton	17,287	19,033	1,746	10.1
Big Stone	8,954	8,517	- 437	- 4.9
Blue Earth	44,385	47,408	3,023	6.8
Brown	27,676	28,620	944	3.4
Carlton	27,932	27,110	- 822	- 2.9
Carver	21,358	24,374	3,016	14.1
Cass	16,720	17,246	526	3.1
Chippewa	16,320	15,270	-1,050	- 6.4
Chisago	13,419	14,726	1,307	9.7
Clay	39,080	39,133	53	0.1
Clearwater	8,864	8,004	- 860	- 9.8
Cook	3,377	3,949	572	16.9
Cottonwood	16,166	14,772	-1,394	- 8.6
Crow Wing	32,134	32,837	703	2.2
Dakota	78,303	113,425	35,122	44.9
Dodge	13,259	11,873	-1,386	-10.5
Douglas	21,313	21,826	513	2.4
Faribault	23,685	21,410	-2,275	- 9.6
Fillmore	23,768	20,748	-3,020	-12.7
Freeborn	37,891	36,493	-1,398	- 3.7
Goodhue	33,035	32,606	- 429	- 1.3
Grant	8,870	8,347	- 523	- 5.9
Hennepin	842,854	905,986	63,132	7.5
Houston	16,588	16,696	108	0.7
Hubbard	9,962	9,166	- 796	- 8.0
Isanti	13,530	16,561	3,031	22.4
Itasca	38,006	35,117	-2,889	- 7.6
Jackson	15,501	14,027	-1,474	- 9.5
Kanabec	9,007	9,368	361	4.0
Kandiyohi	29,987	29,673	- 314	- 1.0
Kittson	8,343	7,950	- 393	- 4.7
Koochiching	18,190	17,723	- 467	- 2.6
Lac Qui Parle	13,330	11,656	-1,674	-12.6
Lake	13,702	11,749	-1,953	-14.3
Lake of the Woods	4,304	3,207	-1,097	-25.5
Le Sueur	19,906	21,279	1,373	6.9
Lincoln	9,651	8,812	- 839	- 9.1
Lyon	22,655	21,398	-1,257	- 5.5

Table V

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - Section of Vital Statistics

County	April 1 1960	July 1 1967	Net Change	
			Number	Percent
McLeod	24,401	27,148	2,747	11.3
Mahnomen	6,341	6,043	- 298	- 4.7
Marshall	14,262	13,541	- 721	- 5.1
Martin	26,986	24,586	-2,400	- 8.9
Meeker	18,887	18,313	- 574	- 3.0
Mille Lacs	14,560	14,937	377	2.6
Morrison	26,641	27,194	553	2.1
Mower	48,498	44,515	-3,983	- 8.2
Murray	14,743	12,925	-1,818	-12.3
Nicollet	23,196	23,235	39	0.2
Nobles	23,365	25,051	1,686	7.2
Norman	11,253	9,628	-1,625	-14.4
Olmsted	65,532	72,209	6,677	10.2
Otter Tail	48,960	47,265	-1,695	- 3.5
Pennington	12,468	11,847	- 621	- 5.0
Pine	17,004	16,682	- 322	- 1.9
Pipestone	13,605	12,465	-1,140	- 8.4
Polk	36,182	34,952	-1,230	- 3.4
Pope	11,914	11,266	- 648	- 5.4
Ramsey	422,525	447,544	25,019	5.9
Red Lake	5,830	6,522	692	11.9
Redwood	21,718	20,473	-1,245	- 5.7
Renville	23,249	22,440	- 809	- 3.5
Rice	38,988	40,124	1,136	2.9
Rock	11,864	11,169	- 695	- 5.9
Roseau	12,154	11,184	- 970	- 8.0
St. Louis	231,588	224,279	-7,309	- 3.2
Scott	21,909	28,574	6,665	30.4
Sherburne	12,861	15,138	2,277	17.7
Sibley	16,228	15,430	- 798	- 4.9
Stearns	80,345	88,339	7,994	9.9
Steele	25,029	25,750	721	2.8
Stevens	11,262	10,636	- 626	- 5.6
Swift	14,936	14,043	- 893	- 6.0
Todd	23,119	22,259	- 860	- 3.7
Traverse	7,503	6,370	-1,133	-15.1
Wabasha	17,007	15,767	-1,240	- 7.3
Wadena	12,199	11,494	- 705	- 5.8
Waseca	16,041	15,319	- 722	- 4.5
Washington	52,432	67,724	15,292	26.7
Watonwan	14,460	13,089	-1,371	- 9.5
Wilkin	10,650	9,860	- 790	- 7.4
Winona	40,937	42,767	1,830	4.5
Wright	29,935	34,400	4,465	14.9
Yellow Medicine	15,523	14,388	-1,135	- 7.3
State Total	3,413,864	3,582,000	168,136	4.9

Farm Decrease in Numbers

The change in the population pattern has had an effect on the number of farms in the state based upon the figures released by the State-Federal Crop and Livestock Reporting Service. With the introduction of power machinery, farms have become larger and as a result the number of farms has decreased. Table VI on page 28 shows the trends in number of farms between 1960 and 1967 indicates that there were 21,524 fewer farms as of July 1, 1967, which represents a decrease of 16.14 per cent at the state level.

There has been a definite decrease in the number of people living on farms as indicated in Table VII on page 30. Between 1960 and 1967 there were 83211 fewer people residing on farms in the state. This represents a state wide decrease of about 15 percent. Because of the decrease in the number of farms and its corresponding decrease in population, it is quite evident that small communities with secondary schools are going to have difficulty in maintaining sufficient enrollment in their schools. This makes it imperative that rural communities pool their pupil resources through school district enlargement.

Birth Rates Are Declining

Since 1959 there has been a substantial decrease in the birth rate. The decrease is now showing its effect upon the schools in the rural areas of the state. Table VIII on page 32 shows the Resident Live Births by counties for the period from 1959 to 1966.

From 1959 to 1966 there was a decrease of 21,552 live births in the state. In 1959 there were 88,333 live births reported to the Department of Health compared to 66,781 births in 1966.

Chart VII on page 35 shows the percentage change in the number of live births by counties from 1959 to 1966. The State of Minnesota had a decrease of 25 percent in the birth rate for this same period.

Due to the decline in the number of live births it is to be noted that the communities out and away from the metropolitan area are going to have a difficult time in maintaining adequate enrollment in the years ahead.

Enrollment Trends

Selected pupil data for the school year of 1967-1968 relative to the pre-school census and the elementary enrollments for each county indicate that there will be some significant changes in the enrollment trends. The selected pupil data supplies information from the school census regarding the number of youngsters by each age group from ages one through six. The total number of youngsters in this age group is given for each district listed in Table IX on page 36. The data shows that there will be a marked decrease in the number of one year olds as compared to the number of six year olds listed on the census. Information regarding the elementary enrollments for the school year of 1967-1968 shows the

number of first graders enrolled in each district. The total number of pupils enrolled in the elementary grades from one to six is also provided. Comparing the total number of youngsters on the census with the number for the first six grades indicates that there will be a downward trend in the elementary enrollments. This fact is causing concern among the schools located in the rural areas of the state. Chart VIII on page 61 relating to the preschool census trends for 1967 shows the percentage decrease by counties between the number of one year olds and six year olds as listed on the school census. The median for the state shows a percentage decrease of 34 percent between the above age groups.

Chart IX on page 62 compares the percentage gain or loss between the census age group and the elementary grades. Counties showing gains can be attributed to the fact that many youngsters listed on the school census are attending private schools and therefore are not accounted for in the public school enrollments. State wide, the median indicates a loss of 6.9% between the two groups.

Table VI

Trends in Number of Farms
Between 1960 and 1967

County	Number of Farms		Difference in number of Farms	Percent of Decrease
	1960	1967		
Aitkin	1351	834	517	38.26
Anoka	781	494	287	36.74
Becker	2061	1628	433	21.00
Beltrami	1075	850	225	20.93
Benton	1185	1086	99	8.35
Big Stone	835	680	155	18.56
Blue Earth	2306	1908	398	17.25
Brown	1806	1560	246	13.62
Carlton	1235	745	490	39.67
Carver	1552	1356	196	12.62
Cass	1110	779	331	29.81
Chippewa	1424	1220	204	14.32
Chisago	1271	1101	170	13.37
Clay	1580	1331	249	15.75
Clearwater	1016	896	120	11.81
Cook	26	19	7	26.92
Cottonwood	1667	1420	247	14.81
Crow Wing	818	615	203	24.81
Dakota	1380	1106	274	19.85
Dodge	1413	1186	227	16.06
Douglas	1870	1613	257	13.74
Faribault	2000	1657	343	17.15
Fillmore	2413	2211	202	8.37
Freeborn	2360	1971	389	16.48
Goodhue	2255	2052	203	9.00
Grant	1059	870	189	17.84
Hennepin	1469	933	536	36.48
Houston	1388	1261	127	9.14
Hubbard	764	590	174	22.77
Isanti	1217	1040	177	14.54
Itasca	1273	678	595	46.73
Jackson	1917	1654	263	13.71
Kanabec	1099	883	216	19.65
Kandiyohi	2066	1778	288	13.93
Kittson	951	740	211	22.18
Koochiching	447	325	122	27.29
Lac qui Parle	1715	1466	249	14.51
Lake	52	32	20	38.46
Lake of the Woods	417	323	94	22.54
Le Sueur	1613	1377	236	14.63
Lincoln	1286	1098	188	14.61
Lyon	1586	1365	221	13.93
McLeod	2072	1823	249	12.01
Mahnomen	663	535	128	19.30

Table VI

Trends in Number of Farms
Between 1960 and 1967

County	Number of Farms		Difference in number of farms	Percent of Decrease
	1960	1967		
Marshall	1889	1671	218	11.54
Martin	2071	1710	361	17.43
Meeker	1952	1663	289	14.80
Mille Lacs	1321	1069	252	19.07
Morrison	2527	2240	287	11.35
Mower	2104	1777	327	15.54
Murray	1695	1459	236	13.92
Nicollet	1282	1121	161	12.55
Nobles	1903	1675	228	11.98
Norman	1348	1116	232	17.21
Olmsted	1807	1610	197	10.90
Otter Tail	4712	4136	576	12.22
Pennington	818	723	95	11.61
Pine	1967	1469	498	25.31
Pipestone	1119	969	150	13.40
Polk	2799	2337	462	16.50
Pope	1323	1195	128	9.67
Ramsey	175	100	75	42.85
Red Lake	650	526	124	19.07
Redwood	2280	1929	351	15.39
Renville	2578	2174	404	15.67
Rice	1823	1651	172	9.43
Rock	1243	1104	139	11.18
Roseau	1545	1324	221	14.30
St. Louis	1939	1063	876	45.17
Scott	1192	1078	114	9.56
Sherburne	781	653	128	16.38
Sibley	1944	1745	199	10.23
Stearns	3828	3570	258	6.73
Steele	1650	1443	207	12.54
Stevens	1035	895	140	13.52
Swift	1518	1282	236	15.54
Todd	2793	2473	320	11.45
Traverse	856	720	136	15.88
Wabasha	1317	1153	164	12.45
Wadena	986	788	198	20.08
Waseca	1377	1149	228	16.55
Washington	936	798	138	14.74
Watonwan	1262	1077	185	14.65
Wilkin	1009	842	167	16.55
Winona	1478	1346	132	8.93
Wright	2870	2353	517	18.01
Yellow Medicine	1759	1516	243	13.81
State Total	133305	111781	21524	16.14

Table VII

Trends in Number of People
Living on Farms
Between 1960 - 1967

County	Number of People		Difference in number of People	Percent of Decrease
	1960	1967		
Aitkin	4996	3156	1840	36.82
Anoka	3467	2206	1261	36.37
Becker	8315	6744	1571	23.29
Beltrami	4102	3389	713	17.38
Benton	5639	5221	418	7.41
Big Stone	3461	2951	510	14.73
Blue Earth	9459	7817	1642	17.35
Brown	7875	6959	916	11.63
Carlton	4727	3137	1590	33.63
Carver	6984	6326	658	9.42
Cass	4526	3134	1392	30.75
Chippewa	5747	4970	777	13.52
Chisago	4696	4210	486	10.34
Clay	6274	5794	480	7.65
Clearwater	3803	3073	730	19.19
Cook	74	64	10	13.51
Cottonwood	6689	5667	1022	15.27
Crow Wing	3383	2635	748	22.11
Dakota	6388	5634	754	11.80
Dodge	5884	4931	953	16.19
Douglas	7273	6289	984	13.52
Faribault	8495	7065	1430	16.83
Fillmore	9883	8905	978	9.89
Freeborn	9777	8447	1330	13.60
Goodhue	9337	8599	738	7.90
Grant	3995	3279	716	17.92
Hennepin	6078	4142	1936	31.85
Houston	5994	5412	582	9.70
Hubbard	2928	2249	679	23.18
Isanti	4580	3931	649	14.17
Itasca	4801	2842	1959	40.80
Jackson	7639	6584	1055	13.81
Kanabec	4344	3371	973	22.39
Kandiyohi	8454	7475	979	11.58
Kittson	3570	2818	752	21.06
Koochiching	1715	1258	457	26.64
Lac qui Parle	6719	5743	976	14.52
Lake	217	130	87	40.09
Lake of the Woods	1528	1153	375	24.54
LeSueur	6568	6009	559	8.51
Lincoln	5148	4442	706	13.71
Lyon	7241	6160	1081	14.92
McLeod	8703	7603	1100	12.63
Mahnomen	2922	2390	532	18.20

Table VII

Trends in Number of People
Living on Farms
Between 1960 - 1967

County	Number of People		Difference in number of People	Percent of Decrease
	1960	1967		
Marshall	7267	6378	889	12.23
Martin	8559	7149	1410	16.47
Meeker	8104	6840	1264	15.59
Mille Lacs	5151	4272	879	17.06
Morrison	11386	10398	988	8.67
Mower	9018	7554	1464	16.23
Murray	7732	6439	1293	16.72
Nicollet	5878	5064	814	13.84
Nobles	8261	7220	1041	12.60
Norman	5172	4355	817	15.79
Olmsted	8173	7154	1019	12.46
Otter Tail	18934	16079	2855	15.07
Pennington	3225	2667	558	17.30
Fine	7533	5803	1730	22.96
Pipestone	4906	4143	763	15.55
Folk	10629	8893	1736	16.33
Pope	5362	4677	685	12.77
Ramsey	644	312	332	51.55
Red Lake	2760	2232	528	19.13
Redwood	9619	8358	1261	13.10
Renville	10738	8902	1836	17.09
Rice	7748	7347	401	5.17
Rock	5372	4736	636	11.83
Roseau	5865	2886	979	16.69
St. Louis	7502	4483	3019	40.24
Scott	5542	5195	347	6.26
Sherburne	3222	2707	515	15.98
Sibley	8216	7431	785	9.55
Stearns	19841	18774	1067	5.37
Steele	6863	5943	920	13.40
Stevens	4562	3819	743	16.28
Swift	6241	5181	1060	16.98
Todd	11235	10106	1129	10.04
Traverse	3419	2963	456	13.33
Wabasha	6037	5428	609	10.08
Wadena	3883	3199	684	17.61
Waseca	5760	4927	833	14.46
Washington	3991	3586	405	10.14
Watsonwan	5229	4502	727	13.90
Wilkin	4108	3554	554	13.48
Winona	6755	6227	528	7.81
Wright	12283	10660	1623	13.21
Yellow Medicine	6978	6033	945	13.54
State Total	554101	470890	83211	15.01

RESIDENT LIVE BIRTHS BY COUNTY

TABLE VIII

Minnesota, 1959 - 1966

County	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966
1. Aitkin	258	240	261	228	208	199	153	160
2. Anoka	2,859	3,229	3,743	3,771	3,989	3,880	3,666	3,410
3. Becker	567	584	546	605	575	561	486	465
4. Beltrami	658	627	628	600	567	518	482	446
5. Benton	533	547	528	533	529	535	461	433
6. Big Stone	220	209	223	179	168	168	174	150
7. Blue Earth	1,175	1,061	1,116	1,024	1,055	933	913	821
8. Brown	674	709	693	663	604	616	541	526
9. Carlton	677	700	714	697	632	568	523	467
10. Carver	532	555	567	580	535	561	510	454
11. Cass	333	379	344	337	313	271	252	234
12. Chippewa	373	357	362	330	323	295	255	246
13. Chisago	296	278	271	278	259	266	215	199
14. Clay	1,078	1,093	1,047	1,013	955	860	833	763
15. Clearwater	204	179	197	193	170	162	128	123
16. Cook	93	88	82	73	84	76	72	62
17. Cottonwood	361	376	327	339	286	295	268	231
18. Crow Wing	719	737	693	644	677	612	560	516
19. Dakota	2,314	2,494	2,538	2,610	2,539	2,685	2,609	2,431
20. Dodge	355	302	327	321	275	268	228	214
21. Douglas	422	425	416	404	384	358	337	312
22. Faribault	561	547	537	484	438	425	347	334
23. Fillmore	554	523	489	492	438	434	374	341
24. Freeborn	1,029	963	906	824	773	715	697	623
25. Goodhue	745	692	700	669	669	631	545	530
26. Grant	195	173	172	175	178	147	121	105
27. Hennepin	10,191	10,254	9,977	9,940	9,443	9,416	8,850	8,670
Minneapolis	11,891	11,568	11,210	11,105	10,301	9,909	8,876	8,311
28. Houston	440	392	412	382	385	317	316	309
29. Hubbard	204	217	233	225	181	193	163	143
30. Isanti	233	254	251	241	251	215	219	236
31. Itasca	963	882	886	814	708	639	636	570
32. Jackson	347	319	344	294	277	245	232	240
33. Kanabec	174	192	195	198	162	172	146	155
34. Kandiyohi	717	657	640	607	561	542	506	439
35. Kittson	192	156	157	158	115	115	112	107

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County	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966
36.Koochiching	465	459	471	446	402	365	375	308
37.Lac qui Parle	273	260	270	228	200	204	190	138
38.Lake	436	429	421	378	336	291	264	255
39.Lake of Woods	106	125	111	126	98	96	65	55
40.Le Sueur	518	489	484	463	444	461	407	383
41.Lincoln	213	229	198	183	158	180	147	116
42.Lyon	590	615	543	588	539	489	460	426
43.McLeod	516	563	533	532	542	504	482	463
44.Mahnomen	176	169	174	153	153	145	129	123
45.Marshall	339	343	316	305	306	309	258	209
46.Martin	678	646	580	566	476	467	409	352
47.Meeker	454	405	457	437	382	334	317	314
48.Mille Lacs	346	341	322	317	305	276	277	244
49.Morrison	719	743	670	721	648	592	580	522
50.Mower	1,230	1,155	1,094	1,011	936	893	802	736
51.Murray	403	370	341	368	314	316	267	247
52.Nicollet	522	486	516	473	459	492	414	389
53.Nobles	610	529	558	564	461	483	499	415
54.Norman	216	226	181	238	213	179	171	128
55.Olmsted	1,990	2,000	2,044	2,106	1,975	1,867	1,750	1,667
56.Otter Tail	992	985	937	957	790	785	706	638
57.Pennington	289	257	265	288	221	228	203	184
58.Pine	352	335	329	344	295	284	264	221
59.Pipestone	337	319	307	328	261	274	251	212
60.Polk	901	898	888	882	763	763	689	612
61.Pope	264	237	237	219	196	174	147	131
62.Ramsey	3,436	3,525	3,394	3,292	3,158	2,968	2,873	2,942
St. Paul	8,291	8,144	8,077	7,813	7,642	7,170	6,528	6,192
63.Red Lake	134	139	128	138	140	119	127	114
64.Redwood	558	548	506	507	494	427	389	369
65.Renville	562	539	522	494	458	423	375	382
66.Rice	894	819	799	792	791	785	690	648
67.Rock	298	294	267	254	219	226	186	199
68.Roseau	311	283	280	260	221	227	218	168
69.St. Louis	3,050	2,855	2,683	2,461	2,206	1,965	1,859	1,981
Duluth	2,624	2,568	2,541	2,487	2,357	2,157	1,892	1,773
70.Scott	672	705	689	759	755	772	739	647

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County	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966
71. Sherburne	307	332	342	316	345	322	306	294
72. Sibley	384	385	372	356	333	314	274	247
73. Stearns	2,390	2,397	2,287	2,297	2,312	2,118	2,017	1,950
74. Steele	631	629	654	574	589	601	497	501
75. Stevens	307	256	286	301	257	228	203	188
76. Swift	344	333	317	330	274	256	239	229
77. Todd	536	513	518	508	466	423	457	337
78. Traverse	185	173	203	179	171	136	110	118
79. Wabasha	435	419	419	400	360	368	315	284
80. Wadena	406	361	321	371	319	306	262	255
81. Waseca	396	392	361	326	353	314	287	277
82. Washington	1,388	1,658	1,781	1,776	1,732	1,733	1,596	1,450
83. Watonwan	348	375	343	283	250	229	232	201
84. Wilkin	287	273	253	258	224	202	164	157
85. Winona	950	932	867	896	863	825	748	750
86. Wright	811	746	789	793	782	735	661	646
87. Yellow Medicine	322	357	330	308	287	267	224	222
State Total	88,333	87,523	86,310	84,783	80,250	76,895	70,810	66,781

Chart VII

Percentage change in Number of Live Births For 1959 and 1966 by Counties

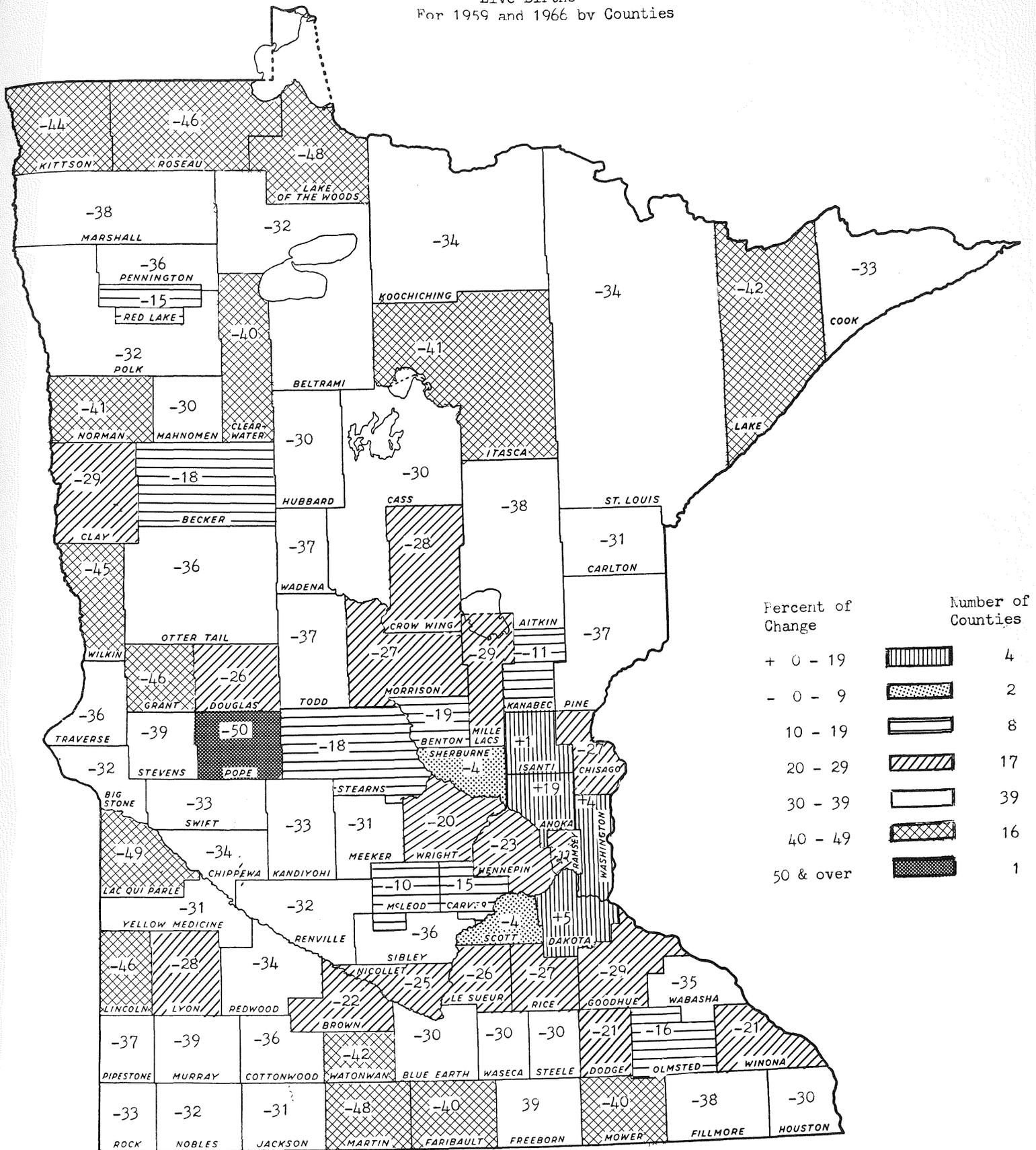


TABLE IX
Selected Pupil Data
School Year 1967-1968

DISTRICTS MAINTAINING ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS BY COUNTIES

County and School	School Census 1967						Total A	Change between Age 1&6	Elementary Enrollment		
	Ages		One	to	Six				Grade One	Total B Grades 1-6	Changes Between A-B
	1	2	3	4	5	6					
Aitkin Co.											
Aitkin, 1	69	81	103	122	99	132	606	-63	116	706	-100
Hill City, 2	10	9	28	17	23	31	118	-21	35	170	- 52
McGrath, 3	9	11	13	13	17	12	75	- 3	12	77	- 2
McGregor, 4	30	24	42	40	42	42	220	-12	49	333	-113
Non.HighSchoolDists.12		16	19	18	21	27	113	-15	27	148	- 35
Total	130	141	205	210	202	244	1132	-114	239	1434	-302
Anoka Co.											
Anoka, 11	1781	2099	2359	2551	2638	2713	14141	-932	2732	13031	+1110
Centennial, 12	197	230	239	292	296	283	1537	- 86	336	1747	- 210
Columbia Hts, 13	591	686	720	751	806	758	4312	-167	696	3894	+ 418
Fridley, 14	356	419	449	487	527	549	2787	-193	598	3193	- 406
St.Francis, 15	121	118	143	142	163	182	869	- 61	183	1008	- 139
SpringLkPark, 16	382	407	461	487	480	504	2721	-122	536	2499	+ 222
Total	3428	3959	4371	4710	4910	4989	26367	-1561	5081	25372	+ 995
Becker Co.											
Audubon, 21	26	14	16	28	23	29	136	- 3	28	172	-36
Detroit Lakes, 22	204	232	244	255	295	289	1519	- 85	289	1625	-106
Frazee, 23	74	87	118	92	123	105	599	- 31	114	684	-85
Lake Park, 24	24	28	28	34	37	42	193	- 18	49	270	-77
Non.HighSchl Dists	21	17	25	21	19	21	124	No Change	22	119	+ 5
Total	349	378	431	430	497	486	2571	-137	502	2870	-299
Beltrami Co.											
Bemidji, 31	121	145	203	210	225	279	1183	-158	252	1409	-226
Blackduck, 32	30	40	64	56	70	78	338	- 48	89	449	-111
Kelliher, 36	24	15	14	18	22	21	114	+ 3	28	168	- 54
Red Lake, 38	121	109	108	109	122	102	671	+ 19	75	384	+287
Non.High Schl Dists	56	77	103	93	124	110	563	- 54	73	459	+104
Total	352	386	492	486	563	590	2869	-238	517	2869	No Change

DISTRICTS MAINTAINING ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS BY COUNTIES-Continued

County and School	School Census 1967						Total A	Change between Age 1&6	Elementary Enrollment		
	Ages 1	2	One 3	to 4	Six 5	6			Grade One	Total B Grades 1-6	Changes Between
Benton County											
Foley, 51	97	92	122	106	115	136	668	-39	112	544	+124
Sauk Rapids, 47	138	160	174	163	193	169	997	-31	102	567	+430
NonHigh Schl Dists	69	71	88	98	102	105	533	-36	85	551	-18
Total	304	323	384	367	410	410	2198	-106	299	1662	+536
Big Stone County											
Beardsley, 57	6	13	9	14	13	24	79	-18	23	119	-40
Clinton, 58	14	18	16	25	31	38	142	-24	42	209	-67
Graceville, 60	34	54	60	46	66	54	314	-20	34	147	+167
Ortonville, 62	54	65	67	57	77	79	399	-25	98	490	-91
NonHigh Schl Dists.	10	23	21	11	29	33	127	-18	35	163	-36
Total	118	173	173	153	216	228	1061	110	232	1128	-67
Blue Earth County											
Amboy, 66	17	15	19	23	20	29	123	-12	28	152	-29
Garden City, 67	10	13	20	14	20	19	16	- 9	21	110	-14
Good Thunder, 68	11	14	12	19	10	24	90	-13	21	112	-22
Lake Crystal, 70	21	42	45	54	47	65	274	-44	67	396	-122
Mapleton, 72	46	46	46	54	54	62	308	-16	65	361	-53
Rapidan, 74	7	19	17	18	20	20	101	-12	24	108	- 7
St. Clair, 75	32	43	37	53	37	42	244	-10	44	299	-55
Mankato, 77	681	723	766	787	821	829	4607	-148	692	3585	+1022
NonHigh Schl Dists	41	54	70	54	68	72	359	-31	49	258	+101
Total	866	969	1032	1076	1097	1162	6202	-296	1011	5381	+821
Brown County											
Comfrey, 81	31	28	32	39	32	37	199	- 6	24	134	+65
New Ulm, 83	221	265	306	342	363	345	1842	-124	158	877	+965
Hanska, 87	8	18	17	17	18	11	89	- 3	15	98	- 9
Sleepy Eye, 84	85	97	78	100	108	107	575	-22	48	258	+317
Springfield, 85	56	48	69	83	91	100	447	-44	42	263	+184
NonHigh Schl Dists	85	73	90	84	96	76	504	+ 9	59	359	+145
Total	486	529	592	665	708	676	3656	-190	346	1989	+1667

DISTRICTS MAINTAINING ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS BY COUNTIES-Continued

County and School	School Census 1967						Total A	Change between Age 1&6	Elementary Enrollment		
	Ages		One	to		Six			Grade One	Total B Grades 1-6	Changes Between A-B
	1	2	3	4	5	6					
Carlton County											
Barnum, 91	34	35	42	39	44	57	251	-23	69	329	-78
Carlton, 93	34	60	48	83	72	77	374	-43	89	467	-93
Cloquet, 94	201	227	284	312	344	322	1690	-121	320	1823	-133
Cromwell, 95	19	27	24	23	28	23	144	-4	36	193	-49
Moose Lake, 97	28	48	50	36	55	64	281	-36	68	425	-144
Thomson Twp, 99	65	62	83	84	112	85	491	-20	94	560	-69
Wrenshall, 100	20	23	24	29	42	24	162	-2	29	191	-29
Non.High Schl Dists	12	16	20	19	20	25	112	-13	24	153	-41
Total	413	498	575	625	717	677	3505	-264	729	4141	-636
Carver County											
NorwoodYoungAm.108	43	49	70	57	71	65	355	-22	52	275	+80
Waconia, 110	107	100	118	114	118	119	676	-12	47	330	+346
Watertown, 111	47	66	44	62	77	70	366	-23	63	311	+55
Chaska, 112	172	177	173	176	195	211	1104	-39	123	613	+491
NonHighSchl Dists	159	164	161	205	183	217	1089	-58	125	651	+438
Total	528	556	566	614	644	682	3590	-154	410	2180	+1410
Cass County											
Backus, 114	14	12	18	14	19	26	103	-12	29	152	-49
Cass Lake, 115	71	79	77	77	78	82	464	-11	92	458	+6
Pillager, 116	15	17	21	18	26	24	121	-9	24	169	-48
Pine River, 117	14	35	43	54	60	81	287	-67	101	476	-189
Remer, 118	31	30	34	52	45	36	228	-5	50	323	-95
Walker, 119	37	43	43	66	66	78	333	-41	81	404	-71
NonHighSchl Dists	3	7	1	7	4	6	28	-3	8	47	-19
Total	185	223	237	288	298	333	1564	-148	385	2029	-465
Chippewa County											
Clara City, 126	56	30	48	58	65	67	324	-11	60	327	-3
Maynard, 127	35	25	42	26	51	43	222	-8	44	233	-11
Milan, 128	13	15	22	11	21	18	100	-5	22	146	-146
Montevideo, 129	113	102	132	142	161	166	816	-53	139	887	-71
NonHighSchl Dists	15	16	19	19	24	23	116	-8	16	102	+14
Total	232	188	263	256	322	317	1578	-85	281	1695	-117

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County and School	School Census 1967						Total A	Change between Age 1&6	Elementary Enrollment		
	Ages 1	2	3	4	5	6			Grade One	Total B Grades 1-6	Changes Between A-B
Chisago County											
Chisago City, 136	24	37	50	40	53	57	261	-33	62	337	-76
LndstrmCntrCty, 137	43	47	56	59	63	73	341	-30	81	482	-141
North Branch 138	45	51	95	93	99	96	479	-51	97	627	-148
Rush City, 139	35	62	73	62	57	74	363	-39	79	399	-36
Taylors Falls, 140	17	18	30	29	30	46	170	-29	43	221	-51
NonHighSchl Dists	22	19	27	30	27	33	158	-11	31	198	-40
Total	186	234	331	313	329	379	1772	-193	393	2264	-492
Clay County											
Glyndon, 145	40	43	55	86	77	72	373	-32	82	458	-85
Barnesville, 146	66	71	68	73	103	93	474	-27	73	480	-6
Dilworth, 147	38	46	54	75	64	64	341	-26	69	392	-51
Hawley, 150	41	42	45	48	50	57	283	-16	57	352	-69
Hitterdal, 151	13	8	9	8	11	16	65	-3	16	104	-39
Moorhead, 152	432	549	573	650	637	674	3514	-242	590	3551	-37
Ulen, 153	12	11	23	17	17	26	106	-14	17	154	-48
Total	642	770	826	957	959	1002	5156	-360	904	5491	-335
Clearwater County											
Gonvick, 158	9	18	12	14	15	18	86	-9	22	126	-40
Clearbrook, 161	19	15	27	23	32	30	146	-11	39	247	-101
Bagley, 162	54	65	72	80	81	91	443	-37	112	542	-99
NonHighSchl Dists	16	27	27	33	30	31	164	-15	37	203	-39
Total	98	125	138	150	158	170	839	-72	210	1118	-279
Cook County											
Grand Marais, 166	57	63	75	68	66	74	403	-17	86	522	-119

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County and School	School Census 1967						Total A	Change between Age 1&6	Elementary Enrollment		
	Ages 1	2	One 3	to 4	Six 5	6			Grade One	Total B Grades 1-6	Changes Between A-B
Cottonwood County											
Jeffers, 172	20	20	23	24	26	26	139	- 6	29	166	-27
Mt. Lake, 173	37	54	42	77	80	77	367	-40	70	419	-52
Storden, 174	14	17	11	12	19	11	84	+ 3	18	106	-22
Westbrook, 175	36	47	45	34	49	41	252	- 5	38	257	- 5
Windom, 177	97	131	121	143	141	160	793	-63	182	995	-202
Total	204	269	242	290	315	315	1635	-111	337	1943	-308
Crow Wing County											
Brainerd, 181	236	281	341	329	340	352	1879	-116	383	2190	-311
Crosby-Ironton, 182	57	52	50	85	75	89	408	-32	96	463	-55
Pequot Lakes, 186	30	17	23	30	40	38	178	- 8	42	237	-59
NonHigh Schl Dists	31	43	40	53	57	56	280	-25	60	378	-98
Nisswa, 185	42	49	44	55	55	55	300	-13	59	357	-57
Riverton, 187	21	14	24	22	21	31	133	-10	28	140	- 7
Baxter, 188	41	36	49	52	43	51	272	-10	47	302	-30
Total	458	492	571	626	631	672	3450	-214	715	4067	-617
Dakota County											
So. St. Paul Sp#6	369	421	461	499	592	562	2904	-193	488	2829	+75
Burnsville, 191	490	644	710	768	800	792	4204	-302	736	3731	+473
Farmington, 192	114	134	152	142	157	146	845	-32	152	892	-47
Lakeville, 194	177	191	207	210	234	211	1230	-34	175	955	+275
Randolph, 195	9	30	21	45	33	58	196	-49	52	237	-41
Rosemount, 196	203	295	311	400	465	478	2152	-275	490	2167	-15
W.St.Paul, 197	381	447	515	524	566	612	3045	-231	554	2721	+324
InvrGrv-FnBnd, 199	186	276	319	357	423	420	1981	-234	395	2217	-236
Hastings, 200	352	391	413	481	471	426	2534	-74	349	1594	+940
Total	2281	2829	3109	3426	3741	3705	19091	-1424	3391	17343	+1748
Dodge County											
Claremont, 201	22	22	27	24	30	31	156	- 9	32	189	-33
Dodge Center, 202	47	41	55	65	74	63	345	-16	69	412	-67
Hayfield, 203	45	62	73	96	100	117	493	-72	116	663	-170
Kasson-Mntrvll, 204	55	65	68	74	164	82	508	-27	106	622	-114
West Concord, 205	28	50	43	48	54	52	275	-24	47	297	-22
Total	197	240	266	307	422	345	1777	-148	370	2183	-406

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County and School	School Census 1967						Total A	Change between Age 1&6	Elementary Enrollment			
	Ag es 1	2	One 3	to Six 4	5	6			Grade One	Total B Grades 1-6	Changes Between A-B	
Douglas County												
Alexandria, 206	137	141	203	196	193	211	1081	-74	181	1058	+23	
Brandon, 207	34	22	23	44	40	30	193	+ 4	27	158	+35	
Evansville, 208	14	20	12	27	24	25	122	-11	29	168	-46	
Kensington, 209	16	11	9	17	12	19	84	- 3	18	114	-30	
Osakis, 213	40	55	58	44	50	68	315	-28	53	319	- 4	
NonHigh Schl Dists	65	64	88	115	110	108	550	-43	106	680	-130	
Total	306	313	393	443	429	461	2345	-155	414	2497	-152	
Faribault County												
Blue Earth, 216	75	80	94	94	113	121	577	-46	107	638	-61	
Bricelyn, 217	11	14	20	23	27	30	125	-19	37	190	-65	
Delavan, 218	18	23	25	29	27	38	160	-20	27	156	+ 4	
Elmore, 219	17	15	38	24	31	30	155	-13	38	209	-54	
Frost, 220	14	10	13	19	20	17	93	- 3	22	130	-37	
Huntley, 221	4	6	11	13	16	13	63	- 9	16	114	-51	
Kiester, 222	19	16	33	41	41	53	203	-34	58	267	-64	
Minn.Lake, 223	33	30	39	27	39	46	214	-13	43	245	-31	
Wells, 224	72	101	103	102	99	108	585	-36	74	374	+211	
Winnebago, 225	37	27	38	33	45	44	224	- 7	53	320	-96	
Total	300	322	414	405	408	500	2399	-200	475	2643	-244	
Fillmore County												
Harmony, 228	24	32	43	43	59	53	254	-29	66	366	-112	
Lanesboro, 229	36	32	47	34	36	40	225	- 4	46	259	-34	
Peterson, 232	13	19	12	25	11	17	97	- 4	22	150	-53	
Freston, 233	38	49	49	43	65	62	306	-24	64	354	-48	
Rushford, 234	27	29	35	32	53	63	239	-36	64	347	-108	
Wykoff, 236	20	23	28	33	33	37	174	-17	40	192	-18	
Spring Valley, 237	59	106	82	87	94	96	524	-37	109	584	-60	
Mabel-Canton, 238	30	43	43	59	62	56	293	-26	61	337	-44	
Non High Schl Dists	3	3	7	5	6	4	28	- 1	7	46	-18	
Total	250	336	346	361	419	428	2140	-178	479	2635	-495	

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Freeborn County											
Emmons,	7	7	23	21	28	28	114	-21	28	161	-47
Albert Lea, 241	408	513	554	581	573	627	3256	-219	669	3585	-329
Alden, 242	32	31	34	46	43	42	228	-10	43	314	-86
Freeborn, 244	28	20	17	31	20	25	141	+ 3	29	165	-24
Glenville, 245	24	31	39	40	57	37	228	-13	46	298	-70
Total	499	602	667	719	721	759	3967	-260	815	4523	-556
Goodhue County											
Cannon Falls, 252	55	76	72	89	92	95	479	-40	104	609	-130
Goodhue, 253	40	59	56	71	66	68	360	-28	54	279	+81
Keriyon, 254	16	27	34	33	43	76	229	-60	73	470	-241
Pine Island, 255	66	64	88	86	74	80	458	-14	88	442	+16
Red Wing, 256	207	214	274	267	316	295	1573	-88	264	1478	+95
Wanamingo, 258	18	16	28	28	28	39	157	-21	41	247	-90
Zumbrota, 260	55	59	51	66	79	65	375	-10	70	400	-25
Non High Schl Dists	15	34	32	31	37	39	188	-24	42	227	-39
Total	472	549	635	671	735	757	3819	-285	736	4152	-333
Grant County											
Ashby, 261	7	9	9	14	17	14	70	- 7	18	112	-42
Barrett, 262	8	7	9	15	14	14	67	- 6	14	113	-46
Elbow Lake, 263	47	62	67	69	71	66	382	-19	66	403	-21
Herman, 264	27	27	25	41	38	33	191	- 6	40	254	-63
Hoffman, 265	11	10	22	26	30	35	124	-14	27	191	-67
Non High Schl Dists	3	3	4	6	4	3	23	--	4	33	-10
Total	103	118	136	171	174	155	857	-52	169	1106	-249

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Hennepin County											
Minneapolis, Sp.#1	6424	6766	7424	7410	7552	6935	42511	-511	6235	33272	+9239
Bloomington, 271	1607	1842	2048	2088	2207	2277	12069	-670	2337	12809	-740
Eden Prairie, 272	37	85	135	133	189	187	766	-150	153	977	-211
Edina, 273	421	573	599	701	785	882	3961	-461	842	5217	-1256
Hopkins, 274	628	666	797	821	887	917	4716	-289	828	4817	-101
Golden Valley, 275	66	80	91	102	133	129	601	-63	130	831	-230
Minnetonka, 276	363	415	442	555	610	655	3040	-292	693	4005	-965
Mound, 277	189	201	228	293	304	254	1469	-65	282	1604	-135
Orono, 278	122	138	155	159	184	195	953	-73	198	1156	-203
Osseo, 279	732	885	974	1079	1219	1249	6138	-517	1321	6637	-499
Richfield, 280	787	882	964	968	981	984	5566	-197	868	5071	+495
Robbinsdale, 281	1662	1883	2118	2236	2374	2538	12811	-876	2478	13592	-781
St. Anthony, 282	179	154	164	204	202	211	1114	-32	173	966	+148
St. Louis Pk, 283	681	819	897	892	930	968	5187	-287	958	5177	+10
Wayzata, 284	359	433	438	468	500	545	2743	-186	530	2964	-221
Brooklyn Cntr, 286	140	146	173	173	183	204	1019	-64	204	1122	-103
Non High Schl Dists	11	16	21	10	17	11	86	----	11	69	+17
Total	14408	15984	17668	18292	19257	19141	104750	-4733	18241	100286	+4464
Houston											
Houston, 294	42	40	45	39	51	56	273	-14	61	316	-43
Sp. Grove, 297	30	41	34	39	34	41	219	-11	43	259	-40
Caledonia, 299	69	82	100	98	125	129	603	-60	116	482	+121
La Crescent, 300	91	93	118	121	120	130	673	-39	93	486	+187
Non High Schl Dists	29	39	27	36	45	35	211	-6	39	209	+2
Hokah, 293	23	26	30	32	26	33	170	-10	11	95	+75
Total	284	321	354	365	401	424	2149	-140	363	1847	+302
Hubbard County											
Akeley, 301	18	16	15	18	29	21	117	-3	29	146	-29
LaPorte, 306	12	13	16	13	18	25	97	-13	29	124	-27
Nevis, 308	10	13	16	19	23	24	105	-14	26	122	-17
Park Rapids, 309	92	95	123	122	135	158	725	-66	151	845	-120
Non High Schl Dists	25	23	20	38	28	28	162	-3	40	209	-47
Total	157	160	190	210	233	256	1206	-99	275	1446	-240

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Isanti County											
Braham, 314	52	52	60	73	76	73	386	-21	88	474	-88
Cambridge, 911	139	129	139	168	169	188	932	-49	215	1124	-192
Non High Schl Dists	30	20	38	43	58	37	226	-7	50	287	-61
Total	221	201	237	284	303	298	1544	-77	353	1885	-341
Itasca County											
Coleraine, 316	138	145	168	150	163	188	952	-50	207	1173	-221
Deer River, 317	53	72	79	98	110	95	507	-42	103	673	-166
Grand Rapids, 318	263	312	350	390	445	441	2201	-178	439	2847	-646
Nashwauk-Kwtn, 319	56	83	74	103	108	91	515	-35	108	640	-125
Total	510	612	671	741	826	815	4175	-305	857	5333	-1158
Jackson County											
Heron Lake, 323	26	28	31	28	33	41	187	-15	15	100	+87
Jackson, 324	65	74	64	93	115	97	508	-32	86	541	-33
Lakefield, 325	48	53	56	57	70	76	360	-28	56	377	-17
Okabena, 326	6	12	14	15	14	21	82	-15	14	96	-14
Sioux Valley, 328	16	13	24	25	20	19	117	-3	22	102	+15
Non High Schl Dists	6	10	7	4	7	10	44	-4	12	74	-30
Petersburg, 327	2	9	3	7	8	11	40	-9	13	52	-12
Total	169	199	199	229	267	275	1338	-106	218	1342	-4
Kanabec County											
Mora, 332	78	89	103	96	95	109	570	-31	115	633	-63
Ogilvie, 333	27	22	26	25	37	37	174	-10	42	286	-112
Non High Schl Dists	19	22	22	26	25	26	140	-7	29	186	-46
Total	124	133	151	147	157	172	884	-48	186	1105	-221

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	1	2	3	4	5	6					
Kandiyohi County											
Atwater, 341	42	30	49	48	44	49	262	- 7	54	252	+10
New London, 345	61	60	69	73	91	96	450	-35	112	580	-130
Raymond, 346	30	8	15	29	30	32	144	- 2	37	190	-46
Willmar, 346	183	203	248	264	286	296	1480	-113	270	1443	+37
Non High Schl Dists	86	124	127	119	138	132	726	-46	129	797	-71
Total	402	425	508	533	589	605	3062	-203	602	3262	-200
Kittson County											
Hallock, 351	26	29	15	46	31	37	184	-11	56	306	-122
Humbolt, 352	12	13	11	17	18	17	88	- 5	19	96	- 8
Karlstad, 353	22	17	19	21	23	29	131	- 7	28	153	-22
Kennedy, 354	16	23	13	19	16	21	108	- 5	24	152	-44
Lake Bronson, 355	9	8	11	10	9	13	60	- 4	13	100	-40
Lancaster, 356	16	20	14	15	23	19	107	- 3	17	150	-43
Total	101	110	83	128	120	136	678	-35	157	957	-279
Koochiching County											
Intrntnl Falls, 361	222	371	285	287	365	385	1815	-163	260	1609	+206
Little Fork, 362	36	52	46	63	50	44	291	- 8	47	308	-17
S. Kchch-RnyRvr, 363	14	24	30	32	37	34	171	-20	43	281	-110
Total	272	347	361	382	452	463	2277	-191	350	2198	+79
Lac qui Parle County											
Bellingham, 371	25	36	31	25	25	35	177	-10	26	134	+43
Boyd, 372	15	10	14	15	18	20	92	- 5	19	105	-13
Dawson, 373	28	52	43	44	63	56	286	-28	60	373	-87
Marietta, 376	8	13	12	9	9	15	66	- 7	17	94	-28
Madison, 377	52	62	67	75	83	90	429	-38	88	432	- 3
Non High Schl Dists	5	2	4	3	2	5	21	---	4	28	- 7
Total	133	175	171	171	200	221	1071	-88	214	1166	-95

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Lake County											
Two Harbors, 381	245	248	298	298	384	344	1817	-99	403	2267	-450
Lake of the Woods County											
Baudette, 386	33	48	39	38	47	57	262	-24	60	348	-86
Williams, 389	7	16	14	19	19	13	88	- 6	20	111	-23
NonHigh Schl Dists	3	5	7	9	7	11	42	- 8	5	60	-18
Total	43	69	60	66	73	81	392	-38	85	519	-127
LeSueur County											
Cleveland, 391	16	25	19	36	30	17	173	-31	53	253	-80
Le Center, 392	72	66	72	90	73	87	460	-15	42	230	+230
LeSueur, 393	95	124	130	137	131	130	747	-35	91	546	+201
Montgomery, 394	37	53	71	91	88	114	454	-77	46	230	+224
Waterville, 395	60	55	57	87	75	69	403	- 9	71	476	-73
Non High Schl Dists	4	3	4	4	5	4	24	---	2	14	+10
Total	284	326	353	445	402	451	2261	-167	305	1749	+512
Lincoln County											
Hendricks, 402	25	18	25	21	31	25	145	---	30	186	-41
Ivanhoe, 403	30	30	42	35	30	43	210	-13	44	253	-43
Lake Benton, 404	17	27	33	33	39	45	194	-28	50	275	-81
Verdi, 408	11	12	19	13	16	16	87	- 5	20	86	+ 1
Tyler, 409	26	38	41	40	40	52	237	-26	63	310	-73
Non High Schl Dists	5	2	6	9	6	7	35	- 2	8	43	- 8
Total	114	127	166	151	162	188	908	-74	215	1153	- 245

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Lyon County												
Balaton, 411	21	30	30	29	24	30	170	-15	40	208	-38	
Cottonwood, 412	32	30	33	36	44	29	204	+ 3	39	272	-68	
Marshall, 413	167	208	213	231	271	227	1317	-60	203	1084	+233	
Minneota, 414	41	41	55	55	71	84	347	-43	63	307	+40	
Lynd, 415	22	18	21	20	28	27	136	- 5	25	133	+ 3	
Tracy, 417	80	84	100	111	109	125	609	-45	98	548	+61	
Russell, 418	16	17	23	17	17	18	108	- 2	27	152	-44	
Non HighSchl Dists	27	20	25	31	19	29	151	-2	7	64	+87	
Total	406	448	500	530	583	575	3042	-169	502	2768	+274	
McLeod County												
Brownston, 421	22	26	27	29	25	36	165	-14	37	183	-18	
Glencoe, 422	136	157	159	163	164	177	956	-41	139	686	+270	
Hutchinson, 423	167	214	213	204	241	218	1257	-51	165	1007	+250	
Lester Prairie, 424	32	27	34	37	57	44	231	-12	35	202	+29	
Silver Lake, 425	37	44	44	39	49	38	251	- 1	13	103	+148	
Stewart, 426	29	33	32	34	34	31	193	- 2	20	123	+70	
NonHighSchl Dists	45	41	52	55	49	35	277	+10	10	61	+216	
Total	468	542	561	561	619	579	3330	-111	419	2365	+965	
Mahnoman County												
Mahnoman, 432	54	80	63	86	70	78	431	-24	67	377	+54	
Waubun, 435	46	41	45	57	56	50	295	- 4	66	380	-85	
NonHighSchl Dists.												
Bejou, 431	8	10	8	10	11	13	60	- 5	17	81	-21	
Naytahwaush, 433	11	13	10	14	16	10	74	+ 1	17	70	+ 4	
Total	119	144	126	167	153	151	860	-32	167	908	-48	
Marshall County												
Alvarado, 436	9	14	15	21	20	24	103	-15	24	134	-31	
Argyle, 437	37	28	35	36	35	36	207	+ 1	26	160	+47	
Middle River, 440	19	19	15	21	14	21	109	- 2	20	135	-26	
Newfolden, 441	16	16	19	17	23	23	114	- 7	22	161	-47	
Oslo, 442	17	13	15	15	15	17	92	---	37	218	-126	
Stephen, 443	39	46	43	51	53	49	281	-10	53	307	-26	
Strandquist, 444	9	7	13	7	24	24	84	-15	11	47	+37	

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Warren, 446	55	58	69	86	78	83	429	-28	97	480	-51
Non HighSchl Dists	37	44	47	51	55	51	285	-14	65	346	-61
Total	238	245	271	305	317	328	1704	-90	355	1988	-284
Martin County											
Ceylon, 451	9	24	26	21	29	36	145	-27	31	136	+ 9
East Chain, 453	10	12	15	21	29	30	117	-20	29	165	-48
Fairmont, 454	229	232	239	246	289	268	1503	-39	215	1205	+298
Granada, 455	13	8	17	19	24	21	102	- 8	25	145	-43
Sherburne, 456	30	33	40	45	53	45	246	-15	55	344	-98
TriMont, 457	25	33	23	28	22	28	159	- 3	31	205	-46
Truman, 458	44	49	57	48	63	65	326	-21	56	326	---
Welcome, 459	23	25	22	36	34	36	176	-13	42	222	-46
Non HighSchl Dists	7	8	8	7	12	14	56	- 7	13	95	-39
Total	390	424	447	471	555	543	2830	-153	497	2843	-13
Meeker County											
Cosmos, 461	19	30	32	29	38	40	188	-21	44	218	-30
Dassel, 462	27	34	35	44	47	46	233	-19	47	257	-24
Eden Valley, 463	82	91	79	100	109	80	541	+ 2	65	232	+309
Grove City, 464	19	27	38	26	26	40	176	-21	35	168	+ 8
Litchfield, 465	87	92	133	102	138	131	683	-44	117	654	+29
Non HighSchl Dists	59	72	73	94	77	98	473	-39	92	574	-101
Total	293	346	390	395	435	435	2294	-142	400	2103	+191
Mille Lacs County											
Isle, 473	24	25	22	37	49	38	195	-14	33	251	-56
Princeton, 478	106	124	132	173	145	191	871	-85	150	989	-118
Onamia, 480	23	31	39	55	51	61	260	-38	55	368	-108
Milaca, 912	81	85	109	123	123	128	649	-47	131	669	-20
Non High Schl Dists	22	26	18	23	23	20	132	+ 2	19	144	-12
Vineland, 478	7	17	15	9	12	13	73	- 6	13	81	- 8
Total	263	308	340	415	403	451	2180	-188	401	2502	-322

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Morrison County											
Little Falls, 482	197	194	207	253	269	246	1366	-49	178	1081	+285
Motley, 483	16	13	26	27	23	30	135	-14	33	185	-50
Pierz, 484	103	102	96	115	97	121	634	-18	27	142	+492
Royalton, 485	26	21	18	28	21	23	137	+ 3	26	178	-41
Swanville, 486	19	31	16	39	37	32	174	-13	38	236	-62
Upsala, 487	15	15	26	31	26	24	137	- 9	31	165	-28
Randall, 489	15	32	30	30	38	43	188	-28	54	257	-69
Non High Schl Dists	126	116	131	151	143	152	819	-26	131	728	+91
Total	517	524	550	674	654	671	3590	-154	518	2972	+618
Mower County											
Adams, 491	28	38	46	51	49	61	273	-33	29	154	+119
Austin, 492	491	534	626	646	694	733	3724	-242	624	3648	+76
Elkton, 494	23	18	22	15	24	18	120	+ 5	20	160	-40
Grand Meadow, 495	31	32	34	51	40	44	232	-13	52	294	-62
Lyle, 497	17	26	24	22	22	27	138	-10	27	184	-46
Rose Creek, 498	17	18	23	21	22	18	119	- 1	12	148	-29
LeRoy, 499	31	32	38	39	45	43	228	-12	44	299	-71
Non High Schl Dists	3	4	7	6	2	6	28	- 3	9	44	-16
Total	641	702	820	851	898	950	4862	-309	817	4931	-69
Murray County											
Chandler, 501	32	21	26	27	32	24	162	+ 8	21	175	-13
Lake Wilson, 503	27	19	21	24	27	21	139	+ 6	21	140	- 1
Slayton, 504	68	75	79	84	98	94	498	-26	99	660	-162
Fulda, 505	44	63	52	74	74	65	372	-21	46	285	+87
Non High Schl Dists	9	7	9	8	12	10	55	- 1	10	76	-21
Total	180	185	187	217	243	214	1226	-34	197	1336	-110

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Nicollet County												
Nicollet, 507	43	43	43	54	56	47	286	- 4	24	185	+101	
St. Peter, 508	147	161	174	184	210	202	1078	-55	158	962	+116	
Non High Schl Dists	7	13	15	11	14	12	72	- 5	11	44	+28	
Lafayette, 506	14	21	15	31	20	25	126	-11	26	149	-23	
Total	211	238	247	280	300	286	1562	-75	219	1340	+222	
Nobles County												
Adrian, 511	67	74	85	82	89	85	482	-18	26	183	+299	
Brewster, 513	28	36	24	30	27	38	183	-10	40	185	- 2	
Ellsworth, 514	28	23	28	37	29	32	177	- 4	30	199	-22	
Round Lake, 516	11	24	18	22	18	29	122	-18	26	164	-42	
Worthington, 518	200	225	239	220	246	230	1360	-30	201	1246	+114	
Non High Schl Dists	14	19	20	17	18	23	111	- 9	10	39	+72	
Bigelow, 512	9	13	12	13	19	14	80	- 5	15	93	-13	
Reading, 515	16	20	12	13	16	15	92	+ 1	15	99	- 7	
Rushmore, 517	10	13	14	19	19	19	94	- 9	22	117	-23	
Total	383	447	452	453	481	485	2701	-102	385	2325	+376	
Norman County												
Ada, 521	45	57	57	71	60	60	350	-15	72	438	-88	
Borup, 522	13	21	18	20	24	13	109	---	13	98	+11	
Gary, 523	11	18	19	30	18	25	121	- 4	25	142	-21	
Halstad, 524	16	16	22	23	20	17	114	- 1	24	154	-40	
Hendrum, 525	7	12	12	19	14	16	80	- 9	25	142	-62	
Twin Valley, 526	6	21	14	18	24	30	113	-24	36	245	-132	
Total	98	145	142	181	160	161	887	-63	195	1219	-332	

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Olmsted County											
Rochester, 535	985	1106	1187	1276	1176	1125	6855	-140	1134	5319	+1536
Chatfield, 225	62	84	83	84	97	94	504	-32	109	596	-92
Byron, 531	87	83	89	99	118	106	582	-19	124	576	+ 6
Dover-Eyota, 533	41	51	52	67	70	75	356	-34	88	484	-128
Stewartville, 534	117	89	116	119	131	143	715	-26	168	835	-120
Non High Schl Dists	290	323	395	422	426	383	2239	-93	366	1746	+493
Bamber Valley C1342	20	18	23	18	24	40	143	-20	29	202	-59
Golden Hill C1371	18	21	29	29	29	32	158	-14	58	282	-124
Total	1620	1775	1974	2114	2071	1998	11552	-378	2076	10040	+1512
Otter Tail County											
Battle Lake, 542	21	14	32	21	32	36	156	-15	37	210	-54
Deer Creek, 543	14	16	12	18	17	15	92	- 1	23	125	-33
Fergus Falls, 544	186	180	224	195	293	275	1353	-89	286	1488	-135
Henning, 545	20	41	34	38	40	48	221	-28	50	254	-33
ParkersPrairie 547	37	38	37	32	54	55	253	-18	59	287	-34
PelicanRapids 548	48	51	59	71	102	100	431	-52	107	603	-172
Perham, 549	67	71	78	75	89	99	479	-32	71	380	+99
Underwood, 550	12	13	12	12	16	24	89	-12	23	113	-24
NewYorkMills 553	41	38	50	54	59	66	308	-25	66	386	-78
Non High Schl Dists	139	148	158	158	161	176	940	-37	175	1120	-180
Total	585	610	696	674	863	894	4322	-309	897	4966	-644
Pennington County											
Goodridge, 561	14	18	21	26	22	23	124	- 9	25	140	-16
ThiefRiverFalls 564	143	166	188	186	220	196	1099	-53	193	1222	-123
Non High Schl Dists	3	2	2	3	5	3	18	---	3	22	- 4
St. Hilaire, 562	6	14	10	20	21	24	95	-18	30	197	-102
Total	166	200	221	235	268	246	1336	-80	251	1581	-245

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Pine County											
Askov, 566	16	13	27	18	24	32	130	-16	33	174	-44
Hinckley, 573	51	48	43	46	73	70	331	-19	75	387	-56
Sandstone, 576	26	33	38	44	48	39	228	-13	44	294	-66
Willow River, 577	27	28	34	37	36	41	203	-14	45	254	-51
Fine City, 578	63	59	61	62	89	100	434	-37	86	538	-104
Finlayson, 570	10	12	10	19	11	18	80	- 8	14	85	- 5
Non High Schl Dists	23	29	33	38	42	45	210	-22	53	280	-70
Total	216	222	246	264	323	345	1616	-129	350	2012	-396
Pipestone County											
Edgerton, 581	40	44	46	61	50	61	302	-21	36	167	+135
Jasper, 582	23	37	33	36	40	41	210	-18	51	324	-114
Pipestone, 583	141	171	157	189	209	218	1085	-77	224	1135	-50
Ruthton, 584	25	21	18	42	27	37	170	-12	44	235	-65
Total	229	273	254	328	326	357	1767	-128	355	1861	-94
Folk County											
Climax, 592	3	8	12	11	12	23	69	-20	19	129	-60
Crookston, 593	172	188	192	217	241	238	1248	-66	229	1242	+ 6
E.Grand Forks, 595	156	181	201	213	243	274	1268	-118	224	1145	+123
Erskine, 597	5	11	21	17	19	21	94	-16	24	134	-40
Fertile, 599	25	26	35	34	43	51	214	-26	56	316	-102
Fisher, 600	21	25	28	20	32	31	157	-10	41	206	-49
Fosston, 601	24	32	50	41	60	77	284	-53	83	473	-189
McIntosh, 603	13	17	25	32	29	22	138	- 9	27	151	-13
Mentor, 604	9	16	15	18	18	16	92	- 7	19	99	- 7
Non High Schl Dists	60	47	53	67	68	71	366	-11	69	408	-42
Total	488	551	632	670	765	824	3930	-336	791	4303	-373
Pope County											
Cyrus, 611	10	11	12	17	13	16	79	- 6	14	110	-31
Glenwood, 612	57	71	86	94	102	103	513	-46	112	709	-196
Starbuck, 614	20	28	31	37	39	42	197	-22	47	295	-98
Villard, 615	9	12	25	12	13	21	92	-12	23	129	-37
Non High Schl Dists	6	15	12	8	15	18	74	-12	15	124	-50
Total	102	137	166	168	182	200	955	-98	211	1367	-412

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Ramsev County	737	902	956	1016	1162	1229	6002	-492	1222	6029	-27
No. St. Paul, 622	780	850	949	1020	1073	1062	5734	-282	1058	5536	+198
Roseville, 623	759	895	984	1055	1178	1212	6083	-455	1100	5731	+352
White Bear Lake, 624	687	741	872	999	1016	1122	5497	-435	1022	5238	+259
St. Paul, 625	5098	5419	6001	6334	6295	6242	35389	-1144	4415	22441	+12948
Total	8061	8807	9762	10424	10784	10867	58705	-2806	8817	44975	+13730
Red Lake County											
Oklee, 627	19	19	15	26	34	34	147	-15	34	211	-64
Plummer, 628	13	13	9	21	27	20	103	-7	23	110	-7
Red Lake Falls, 639	61	71	73	80	64	84	433	-23	57	259	+174
Non High Schl Dists	7	8	10	4	9	14	52	-7	12	69	-17
Total	100	111	107	131	134	152	735	-52	126	649	+86
Redwood County											
Belview, 631	15	22	17	26	16	28	124	-13	22	140	-16
Lamberton, 633	25	34	29	37	40	47	212	-22	43	227	-15
Milroy, 635	30	21	13	24	26	22	136	+8	24	139	-3
Morgan, 636	35	37	37	54	42	52	257	-17	32	173	+84
Redwood Falls, 637	80	86	111	121	122	133	653	-53	115	629	+24
Sandborn, 638	30	29	36	35	34	33	197	-3	24	154	+43
Wabasso, 640	48	64	54	65	78	62	371	-14	27	157	+214
Walnut Grove, 641	23	17	31	35	32	37	175	-14	36	265	-90
Non High Schl Dists	60	60	70	63	76	83	412	-23	63	306	+106
Total	346	370	398	460	466	497	2537	-151	386	2190	+347
Renville County											
Bird Island, 646	51	49	44	63	60	64	331	-13	46	250	+81
Buffalo Lake, 647	22	27	34	31	39	33	186	-11	32	207	-21
Danube, 648	34	29	26	39	44	38	210	-4	40	242	-32
Fairfax, 649	43	52	52	56	67	63	333	-20	25	134	+199
Franklin, 650	18	15	16	23	23	22	117	-4	23	166	-49
Hector, 651	40	40	53	64	43	59	299	-19	69	372	-73
Morton, 652	10	31	25	20	39	28	153	-18	30	179	-26
Olivia, 653	73	72	81	81	68	105	480	-32	67	323	+157
Renville, 654	31	34	41	33	40	37	216	-6	49	294	-78

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Renville County--Continued											
Sacred Heart, 655	22	26	26	25	35	32	166	-10	37	211	-45
Non High Schl Dists	3	1	3	5	1	6	19	-3	2	11	+8
Total	347	376	401	440	459	487	2510	-145	420	2389	+121
Rice County											
Faribault, 656	191	244	266	346	338	313	1698	-122	221	1227	+471
Korristown, 657	21	22	33	28	33	36	173	-15	30	169	+4
Northfield, 659	179	224	245	234	250	277	1409	-98	278	1443	-34
Non High Schl Dists	83	98	116	115	124	108	644	-25	71	482	+162
Total	474	588	660	723	745	734	3924	-260	600	3321	+603
Rock County											
Magnolia, 669	10	13	16	15	12	14	80	-4	13	106	-26
Luverne, 670	90	96	113	103	128	144	674	-54	158	806	-132
Hills-BvrCrk, 671	37	26	44	40	50	42	239	-5	39	247	-8
Non High Schl Dists	12	17	15	17	18	22	101	-10	19	112	-11
Hardwick, 667	13	12	20	16	18	16	95	-3	18	137	-42
Total	162	164	208	191	226	238	1189	-76	247	1408	-219
Roseau County											
Badger, 676	12	21	14	17	24	24	112	-12	26	149	-37
Greenbush, 678	29	43	28	37	45	54	236	-25	44	255	-19
Roseau, 682	40	55	53	62	80	81	371	-41	89	454	-83
Warroad, 690	39	24	41	45	45	48	242	-9	48	318	-76
Non High Schl Dists	43	42	44	50	60	78	317	-35	72	421	-104
Total	163	185	180	211	254	285	1278	-122	279	1597	-319

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St. Louis County											
Duluth, Sp#3	1623	1856	2048	2207	2390	2083	12207	-460	1998	10914	+1293
Aurora, 691	115	147	151	181	181	199	974	-84	212	1242	-268
Babbitt, 692	107	78	107	120	119	135	666	-28	137	792	-126
Biwabik, 693	37	53	57	65	90	74	376	-37	86	462	-86
Buhl, 694	43	27	44	43	49	36	242	+ 7	42	277	-35
Chisholm, 695	78	67	84	103	127	115	574	-37	118	822	-248
Ely, 696	91	118	116	123	138	146	732	-55	162	830	-98
Eveleth, 697	97	93	125	108	137	144	704	-47	155	1033	-329
Floodwood, 698	23	28	38	40	33	44	206	-21	44	263	-57
Gilbert, 699	54	41	59	65	65	80	364	-26	88	545	-181
Hermantown, 700	115	145	139	134	150	169	852	-54	136	1101	-249
Hibbing, 701	283	332	368	427	458	480	2348	-197	437	2470	-122
Mt. Iron, 703	48	48	52	70	74	80	372	-32	78	516	-144
Proctor, 704	163	179	191	224	218	223	1198	-60	243	1415	-217
Virginia, 706	173	188	194	228	243	263	1289	-90	254	1524	-235
Tower-Soudan, 708	25	28	38	34	41	33	199	- 8	37	256	-57
Unorganized	305	285	415	444	438	562	2449	-257	602	3630	-1181
Non High Schl Dists 16	16	19	21	15	20	23	114	- 7	45	254	-140
Lakewood, 702	19	24	34	40	35	35	187	-16	36	236	-49
Total	3415	3756	4281	4671	5006	4924	26053	-1509	4900	28582	-2529
Scott County											
Belle Plaine, 716	51	70	91	85	97	96	490	-45	88	388	+102
Jordan, 717	89	104	102	104	115	113	627	-24	75	398	+229
Prior Lake, 719	118	127	120	158	155	147	825	-29	116	721	+104
Shakopee, 720	219	231	260	253	250	245	1458	-26	118	619	+839
New Prague, 721	163	166	162	194	184	212	1081	-49	91	498	+583
Non High Schl Dists 16	16	8	14	12	14	15	79	+ 1	16	43	+36
Total	656	706	749	806	815	828	4560	-172	504	2667	+1893
Sherburne County											
Becker, 726	42	35	42	38	28	41	226	+ 1	45	315	-89
Big Lake, 727	36	39	51	47	54	69	296	-33	70	353	-57
Elk River, 728	209	199	231	232	265	276	1412	-67	211	1003	+409
Non High Schl Dists 18	18	27	16	22	25	28	136	-10	33	148	-12
Total	305	300	340	339	372	414	2070	-109	359	1819	+251

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Sibley County											
Arlington, 731	55	82	87	91	97	107	519	-52	89	577	-58
Gaylord, 732	51	68	72	73	68	76	408	-25	65	400	+ 8
Gibbon, 733	25	36	37	44	46	50	238	-25	33	223	+15
Henderson, 734	10	26	25	27	35	32	155	-22	37	215	-60
Winthrop, 735	37	35	45	58	52	51	278	-14	56	351	-73
Total	178	247	266	293	298	316	1598	-138	280	1766	-168
Stearns County											
Belgrade, 736	53	60	59	67	56	67	362	-14	53	304	+58
Brooten, 737	24	33	28	42	44	56	227	-32	50	275	-48
Holdingsford, 738	45	53	55	59	59	58	329	-13	67	351	-22
Kimball, 739	58	64	64	80	60	71	397	-13	58	302	+95
Melrose, 740	118	143	131	143	157	151	843	-33	20	98	+745
Paynesville, 741	56	68	69	77	88	92	450	-36	87	494	-44
St.Cloud, 742	742	838	932	968	977	981	5438	-239	609	3031	+2407
Sauk Centre, 743	83	83	113	124	119	120	642	-37	85	492	+150
Albany, 745	101	119	161	161	153	137	832	-36	85	560	+272
ColdSpring, 750	161	188	180	203	195	213	1140	-52	98	466	+674
NonHigh Schl Dists	286	305	304	354	320	328	1897	-42	186	1099	+798
Sartell, 748	77	75	94	90	82	96	514	-19	52	286	+228
Wait Park, C1911	77	82	98	91	94	96	538	-19	48	233	+305
Total	1881	2111	2288	2459	2404	2466	13609	-585	1498	7991	+5618
Steele County											
Blooming Prairie 756	35	31	33	45	107	101	352	-66	101	645	-293
Owatonna, 761	285	342	417	382	398	386	2210	-101	362	1847	+363
Ellendale, 762	39	23	43	43	43	64	255	-25	69	358	-103
Medford, 763	42	38	49	52	50	59	290	-17	59	344	-54
Non High Schl Dists	72	60	83	66	62	77	420	- 5	80	475	-55
Total	473	494	625	588	660	687	3527	214	671	3669	-142

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Stevens County												
Hancock, 768	17	27	26	27	32	33	164	-16	38	224	-60	
Morris, 769	100	117	116	153	159	152	797	-52	134	780	+17	
Alberta-Chokio, 771	28	37	42	61	44	62	274	-34	58	346	-72	
NonHigh Schl Dists	0	4	0	3	2	3	12	-3	3	14	-2	
Total	145	185	184	246	237	250	1247	-105	233	1364	-117	
Swift County												
Benson, 777	95	104	88	108	135	118	648	-23	104	617	+31	
Murdock, 782	17	24	16	25	20	26	128	-9	28	170	-42	
Kerkhoven, 783	34	31	35	43	62	60	265	-26	57	314	-49	
Appleton, 784	42	61	68	62	80	77	390	-35	86	496	-106	
Non HighSchl Dists	23	23	24	36	27	32	165	-9	22	194	-29	
Danvers, 785	9	14	10	18	14	21	86	-12	30	110	-24	
Total	220	257	241	292	338	334	1682	-114	327	1901	-219	
Todd County												
Bertha, 786	22	34	51	44	51	52	254	-30	58	295	-41	
Browerville, 787	24	25	26	36	29	42	182	-18	16	107	+75	
Clarissa, 789	19	25	19	36	26	37	162	-18	49	239	-77	
Eagle Bend, 790	18	26	21	35	29	27	156	-9	24	176	-20	
Grey Eagle, 791	13	15	21	21	28	23	121	-10	23	149	-28	
Long Prairie, 792	55	75	70	93	82	92	467	-37	81	453	+14	
Staples, 793	46	78	85	96	96	98	499	-52	97	581	-82	
NonHigh Schl Dists	71	68	81	86	97	109	512	-38	96	558	-46	
Total	268	346	374	447	438	480	2353	-212	444	2558	-205	
Traverse County												
Browns Valley, 801	21	22	23	21	21	19	127	+2	37	255	-128	
Tintah, 802	10	12	13	25	16	24	100	-14	19	129	-29	
Wheaton, 803	60	63	59	84	78	84	428	-24	88	483	-55	
Total	91	97	95	130	115	127	655	-36	144	867	-212	

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Wabasha County											
Elgin, 806	24	32	26	35	31	27	175	- 3	21	189	-14
Mazeppa, 809	29	23	33	38	29	37	189	- 8	48	168	+21
Plainview, 810	71	82	93	83	91	115	535	-44	101	514	+21
Wabasha, 811	67	70	82	76	84	128	507	-61	78	368	+139
Lake City, 813	101	104	107	140	148	143	743	-42	115	631	+112
NonHigh Schl Dists	21	44	29	37	36	34	201	-13	31	183	+18
Total	313	355	370	409	419	484	2350	-171	394	2053	+297
Wadena County											
Verndale, 818	20	35	28	32	38	38	191	-18	42	251	-60
Wadena, 819	96	101	146	152	177	170	842	-74	136	703	+139
Sebeka, 820	46	53	48	56	64	73	340	-27	79	420	-80
Menahaga, 821	33	30	42	43	39	42	229	- 9	52	309	-80
NonHigh Schl Dists	2	12	6	10	9	5	44	- 3	7	62	-18
Total	197	231	270	293	327	328	1646	-131	316	1745	-99
Waseca County											
New Richland, 827	43	51	46	55	58	79	332	-36	80	444	-112
Waseca, 829	137	140	173	174	181	205	1010	-68	181	965	+45
Janesville, 830	43	54	55	59	67	74	352	-31	57	278	+74
Wald-Pemberton, 913	38	38	48	41	41	43	249	- 5	42	299	-50
Total	261	283	322	329	347	401	1943	-140	360	1986	-43
Washington County											
Forest Lake, 831	219	243	296	288	318	326	1690	-107	322	1748	-58
Mahtomedi, 832	120	136	125	166	175	180	902	-60	168	876	+26
St. Paul Park, 833	612	648	772	885	904	941	4762	-329	1021	4941	-179
Stillwater, 834	396	457	507	463	564	834	3221	-438	534	3052	+169
Total	1347	1484	1700	1802	1961	2281	10575	-934	2045	10617	-42

DISTRICTS MAINTAINING ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS BY COUNTIES-Continued

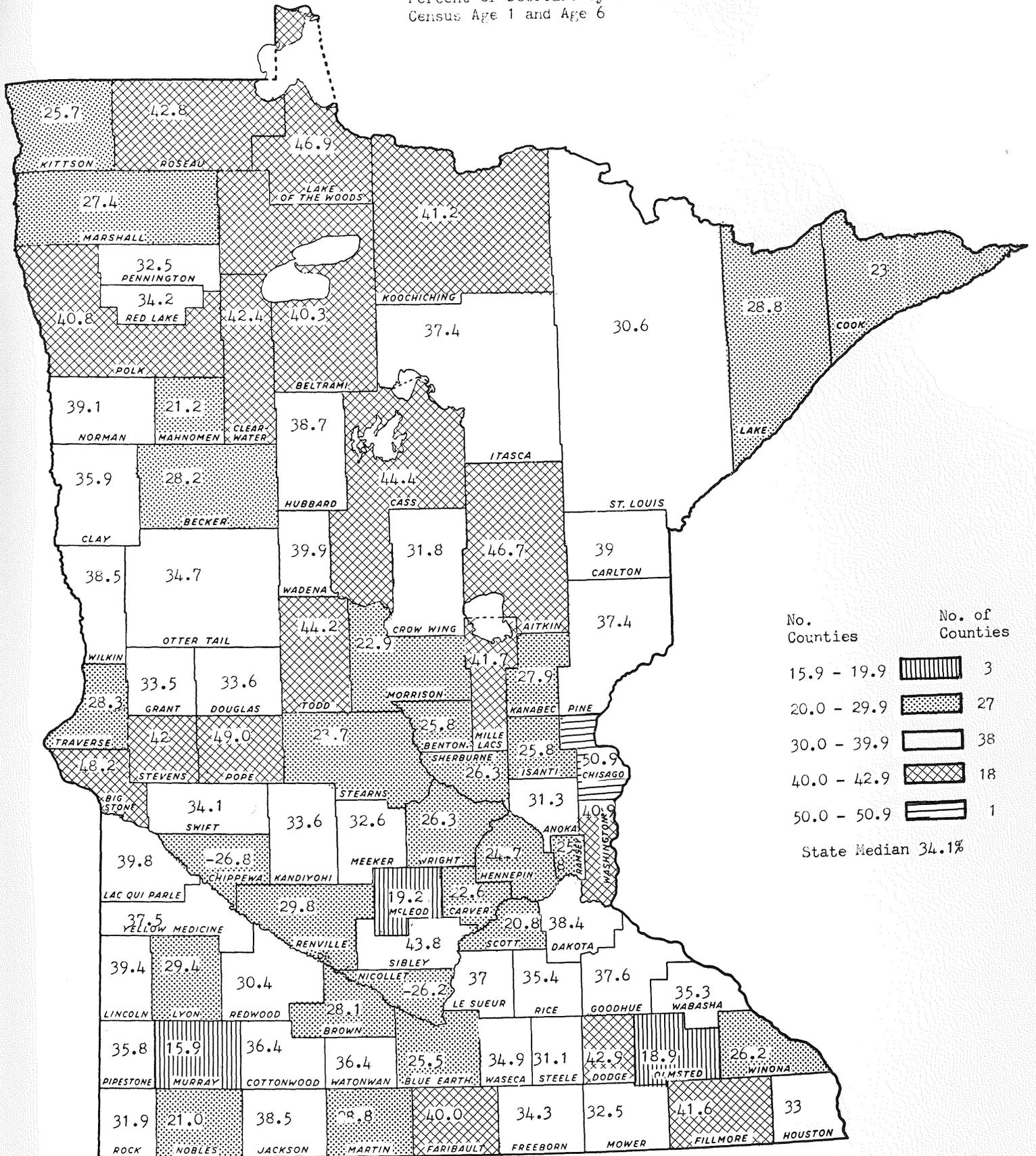
County and School	School Census 1967						Total A	Change between Age 1&6	Elementary Enrollment		
	Ages 1	2	One 3	to 4	Six 5	6			Grade One	Total B Grades 1-6	Changes Between A-B
Watonwan County											
Butterfield, 836	23	26	20	26	41	39	175	-16	38	215	-40
Madelia, 837	67	60	76	92	79	91	465	-24	83	504	-39
St.James, 840	101	106	136	118	150	164	775	-63	131	814	-39
Non HighSchl Dists	5	10	20	16	14	14	79	- 9	11	89	-10
Total	196	202	252	252	284	308	1494	-112	263	1622	-128
Wilken County											
Breckenridge, 846	81	86	117	120	111	125	640	-44	88	470	+170
Campbell, 847	17	17	29	22	26	24	135	- 7	28	183	-48
Doran, 848	5	8	11	9	11	11	55	- 6	10	41	+14
Kothsay, 850	11	15	18	25	29	22	120	-11	28	188	-68
NonHigh Schl Dists	22	21	35	34	33	39	184	-17	38	218	-34
Total	136	147	210	210	210	221	1134	-85	192	1100	-34
Winona County											
Lewiston, 857	49	56	62	82	82	89	420	-40	79	461	-41
St.Charles, 858	50	42	69	67	71	69	368	-19	60	389	-21
Winona, 861	391	441	493	519	523	500	2867	-109	340	1912	+955
Non HighSchlDists	121	142	159	149	173	170	914	-49	174	910	+ 4
Total	611	681	783	817	849	828	4569	-217	653	3672	+897

DISTRICTS MAINTAINING ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS BY COUNTIES-Continued

County and School	School Census 1967						Total A	Change between Age 1&6	Elementary Enrollment			
	Ages 1	2	One 3	to 4	Six 5	6			Grade One	Total B Grades 1-6	Changes Between A-B	
Wright County												
Annandale, 876	46	52	69	97	84	86	434	-40	98	555	-121	
Buffalo, 877	113	101	127	135	130	153	759	-40	119	669	+90	
Cokato, 878	24	44	38	42	54	40	242	-16	51	282	-40	
Delano, 879	73	78	81	110	111	108	561	-35	47	306	+255	
Howard Lake, 880	45	49	54	49	48	50	295	- 5	40	242	+53	
Maple Lake, 881	53	53	57	60	72	63	358	-10	29	156	+202	
Monticello, 882	78	81	88	93	103	112	555	-34	122	646	-91	
Rockford, 883	54	73	46	59	59	80	371	-26	72	359	+12	
St. Michael, 885	14	10	14	22	22	15	97	- 1	57	285	-188	
Non High Schl Dists	202	223	240	283	268	245	1461	-43	134	799	+662	
Total	702	764	814	950	951	952	5133	-250	769	4299	+834	
Yellow Medicine County												
Canby, 891	82	79	94	93	129	110	587	-28	87	543	+44	
Clarkfield, 892	18	35	36	40	51	48	228	-30	39	305	-77	
Echo, 893	14	13	13	21	24	23	108	- 9	22	145	-37	
Granite Falls, 894	59	81	82	92	85	103	502	-44	112	652	-150	
Hanley Falls, 895	13	10	8	9	12	18	70	- 5	21	98	-28	
Wood Lake, 896	14	20	25	30	22	23	134	- 9	20	110	+24	
Non High Schl Dists	8	10	8	6	8	8	48	---	10	57	- 9	
Total	208	248	266	291	331	333	1677	-125	311	1910	-233	

Chart VIII

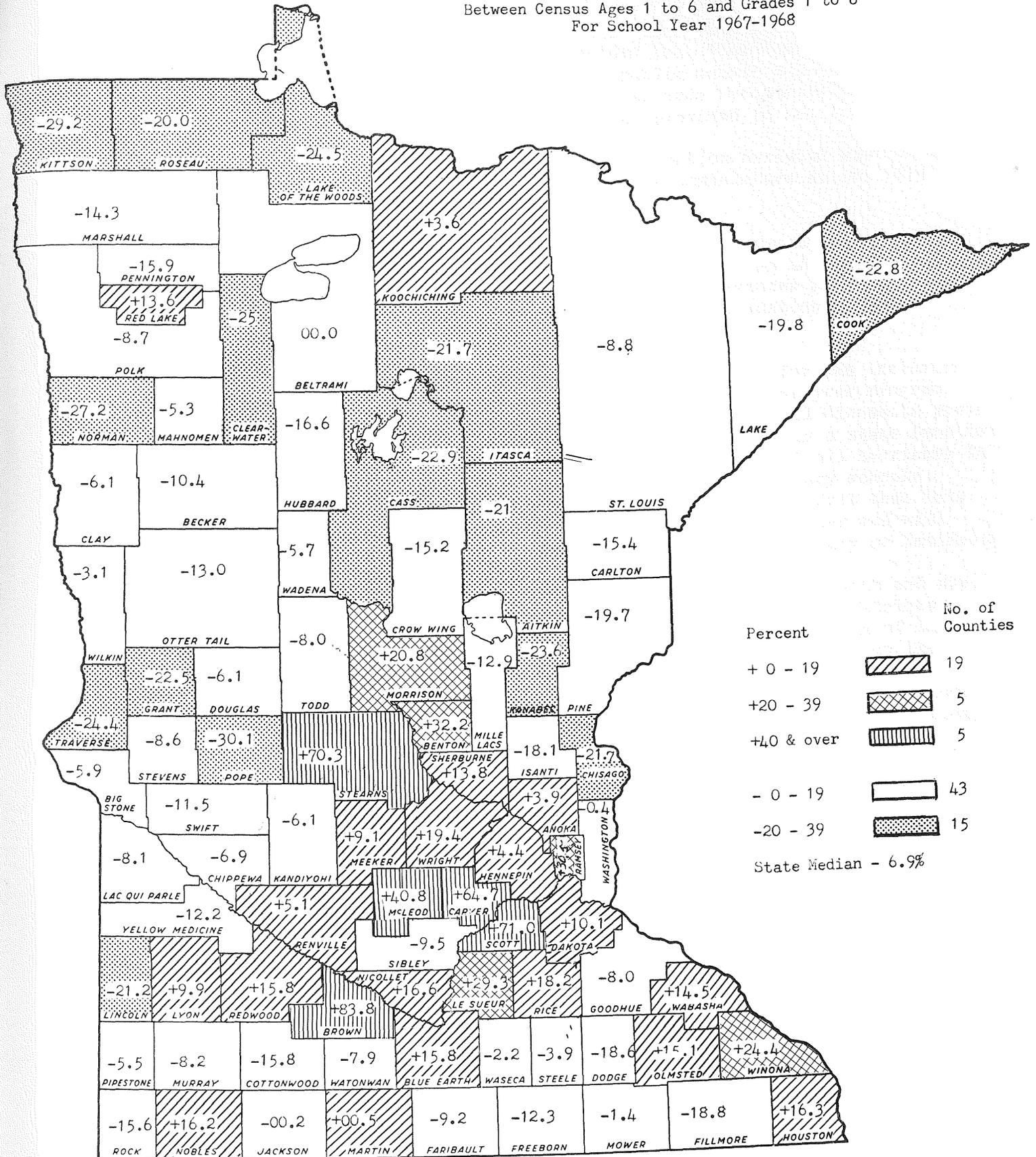
Pre-School Census Trend 1967
 Percent of Decrease by Counties
 Census Age 1 and Age 6



No. of Counties	Shading Pattern	No. of Counties
15.9 - 19.9	[Diagonal lines]	3
20.0 - 29.9	[Dotted]	27
30.0 - 39.9	[White]	38
40.0 - 42.9	[Cross-hatch]	18
50.0 - 50.9	[Horizontal lines]	1
State Median 34.1%		

Chart IX

Comparative Percentage Gain or Loss
By Counties
Between Census Ages 1 to 6 and Grades 1 to 6
For School Year 1967-1968



CHAPTER V

LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

The State Advisory Commission was established under the provisions of Chapter 421 by the 1947 Legislature, which provided that "the Commission shall formulate aims, goals, principles, procedures of public school organization in Minnesota." Since its formation, the Commission has made recommendations concerning school reorganization to the Legislature as provided in the statutes.

The State Advisory Commission on School Reorganization herewith submits the following recommendation for the consideration of the legislature at its 1969 session:

That 122.23, Subdivision 6 of the consolidation law be amended so as to provide for the appointment of an Appeal Board as outlined in 122.24, Subdivision 16, of the Reorganization law to hear grievances relating to approval, modification or rejection of a plat of consolidation by the Commissioner of Education.

During the past biennium, the Commission studied the need for the inclusion of all territory in the state within districts operating a twelve-year program. In the interest of achieving equal educational opportunity for all Minnesota youth and because of the accepted philosophy that education is primarily a state function the Commission recommended to the 1967 Legislature the merging of all territory in the state into districts maintaining graded elementary and secondary schools. This was brought about by Chapter 833 of the Laws of 1967. It is felt that this legislation is accomplishing its goals in a smooth and orderly manner and will continue to do so, and that no major changing or amending is necessary or desirable.

The citizens of the State of Minnesota are presently concerned with and are seriously debating the merging of small and ineffective high school districts into units which can and will offer a unified and comprehensive program of Education at a reasonable cost to local tax payers. This philosophy was adopted by the State Advisory Commission as early as 1960 when the idea was included in the Manual for County School Survey Committee under "Aims and goals of Public School Organization", and is presently the prime thrust of the State Board of Education, the Department of Education, and this Advisory Commission in the area of consolidation.

CONCLUSION

During the past twenty-two years, the number of school districts has been reduced from 7,606 in 1947 to 1,082 as of July 1, 1968. The merger of school districts into larger administrative units has provided the youngsters from grades one through twelve with a better program of education than was available to them in 1947. The main goal of School district enlargement today is to insure a comprehensive program of education having the scope and quality that is now demanded by the parents and students.

Laws relating to Non-operating Districts which was passed by the 1963 legislature and the one providing for the inclusion of all area in Independent Districts with a twelve year program as passed by the 1967 Legislature have tended to facilitate the merger of school districts. The educational programs likewise have been broadend as a result of district organization. In supporting this type of legislation our legislators have taken a major step toward fulfilling their duty as prescribed in our state constitution which provides for "the establishing of a general and uniform system of public schools". The Legislature is to be commended for their fine work in the promotion and passage of progressive laws relating to education. Succeeding legislative bodies should be encouraged to work diligently to overcome any and all obstacles which prevent equal education for all pupils of the state.