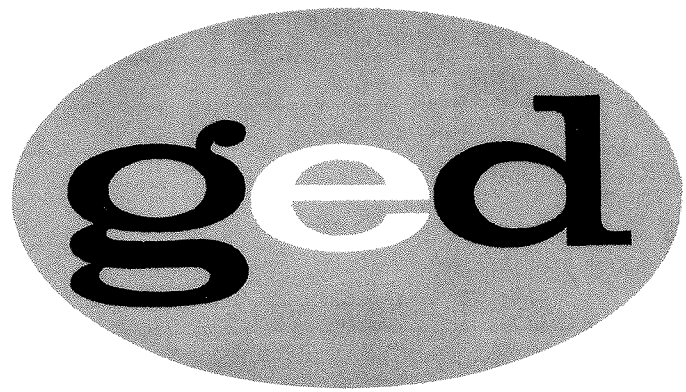


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UNITED STATES, STATES AND TERRITORIES	Official GED Centers in Operation, 1973	Number Tested	DATA FOR ALL EXAMINEES			
			Average Age	Average Years of Schooling	% Planning Further Study	% Failing To Meet State Standards
TOTALS	2,130	422,953	24.9	9.8	41.8	32.2
Alabama	32	8,294	26.1	9.9	40.7	19.0
Alaska	14	1,330	24.4	10.2	36.0	16.5
Arizona	34	6,312	23.8	9.4	66.8	34.1
Arkansas	76	3,453	26.9	9.7	68.2	17.5
California	220	33,075	24.1	10.4	32.1	24.3
Canal Zone	1	34	28.7	10.0	76.5	35.3
Colorado	23	6,215	24.7	10.0	46.2	30.3
Connecticut	14	5,791	26.5	9.6	62.2	35.5
Delaware	6	980	27.0	9.3	73.2	32.3
District of Columbia	4	3,143	22.0	10.1	85.1	56.4
Florida	53	10,339	28.0	9.0	43.7	33.1
Georgia	51	11,611	25.5	9.6	31.1	28.1
Guam	1	290	18.0	11.0	35.5	8.3
Hawaii	12	1,225	24.6	10.0	54.7	20.1
Idaho	10	3,272	25.5	9.8	25.0	18.8
Illinois	51	16,880	27.4	10.0	53.5	32.8
Indiana	57	5,795	27.2	9.9	32.2	27.5
Iowa	65	4,954	27.4	9.9	36.0	11.0
Kansas	29	5,810	25.8	9.9	49.1	20.7
Kentucky	29	9,183	25.4	9.7	24.1	26.8
Louisiana	44	6,880	27.3	9.5	45.4	11.5
Maine	63	1,838	26.6	9.5	39.3	23.3
Maryland	19	8,941	25.7	10.6	44.4	53.3
Massachusetts	12	6,352	27.6	9.5	54.9	26.2
Michigan	143	18,285	26.0	10.1	46.6	25.2
Minnesota	43	4,379	26.9	9.9	54.8	13.8
Mississippi	37	4,683	27.0	9.6	52.3	36.7
Missouri	26	7,597	27.0	10.0	—	33.9
Montana	20	1,851	23.1	9.2	27.4	21.3

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			Average Age	Average Years of Schooling	% Planning Further Study	% Failing To Meet State Standards
TOTALS	2,130	422,953	24.9	9.8	41.8	32.2
Nebraska	31	1,588	27.0	9.9	48.6	7.3
Nevada	10	1,399	25.4	9.6	33.8	26.2
New Hampshire	15	1,225	24.8	9.8	45.1	16.2
New Jersey	38	19,368	25.0	9.0	30.0	36.0
New Mexico	24	5,412	23.5	10.0	45.4	29.6
New York	59	62,804	27.0	—	—	52.5
North Carolina	62	8,991	25.7	9.7	26.9	31.6
North Dakota	12	885	27.5	9.4	62.7	16.8
Ohio	47	5,849	28.8	9.8	54.7	37.3
Oklahoma	53	4,004	27.9	9.5	52.0	20.1
Oregon	44	8,706	25.1	10.2	41.6	15.8
Pennsylvania	80	17,194	26.7	10.1	36.1	35.5
Puerto Rico	1	432	20.0	10.0	65.0	30.1
Rhode Island	3	3,758	27.4	9.7	52.9	22.8
Samoa	1	150	30.0	9.0	29.3	67.3
South Carolina	1	3,100	25.0	9.7	75.6	40.3
South Dakota	40	1,116	26.6	9.6	45.8	10.7
Tennessee	23	10,345	25.6	9.9	34.2	44.8
Texas	182	38,845	24.7	9.5	45.6	28.5
Trust Territory of the Pacific Is.	7	64	30.5	9.1	42.2	50.0
Utah	12	1,932	21.7	10.3	24.3	44.3
Vermont	17	1,057	26.0	9.0	39.0	25.2
Virginia	38	8,379	28.3	11.1	22.1	33.7
Washington	52	7,596	25.3	10.0	42.8	20.6
West Virginia	37	4,073	26.1	9.6	28.0	23.8
Wisconsin	29	4,891	25.7	10.1	31.9	25.4
Wyoming	23	998	27.4	9.8	44.9	10.0

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UNITED STATES, VA HOSPITALS AND GEDTS OFFICE	Number Tested	DATA FOR ALL EXAMINEES			
		Average Age	Average Years of Schooling	% Planning Further Study	% Failing To Meet State Standards
TOTALS	7,564	29.3	10.2	38.2	27.5
Veterans Administration Hospitals (102)	1,868	31.5	9.5	51.3	31.3
Federal Correctional and Health Institutions	3,565	—	—	—	—
Visually Handicapped	144	32.0	9.0	77.7	54.8
American Civilian Citizens Overseas and Foreign Nationals	1,987	27.0	11.0	23.0	22.0

**CANADA,
PROVINCES**

TOTALS	9,699	32.0	9.7	52.2	11.6
British Columbia	1,193	30.4	10.3	—	7.8
Manitoba	4,992	34.0	9.7	49.7	6.7
Nova Scotia	1,734	29.6	9.4	53.5	24.1
Prince Edward Island	248	28.9	9.7	55.2	12.9
Saskatchewan	1,532	30.2	9.4	58.2	16.3

REPORT TOTAL	440,216	25.1	9.8	42.0	31.8
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NOTE: Statistical figures for 1973 vary slightly from data of previous years due to minor changes in the computation process.

COMPARATIVE DATA ON HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL GED TESTING
at official ged centers 1949—1973

YEAR	Official GED Centers in Operation	Total Number Tested	Veterans	Nonveterans	Unclassified	Average Age	Average Number Years of Previous Schooling	% Planning Further Study	% Failing to Meet State Standards
1949	570	39,016	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
1950	563	36,853	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
1951	563	25,584	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
1952	557	29,733	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
1953	568	32,533	61%	38%	1%	*	*	39	*
1954	571	42,141	65%	35%	—	*	*	*	20
1955	587	44,840	58%	37%	5%	*	*	46	21
1956	597	52,552	46%	29%	25%	*	*	43	23
1957	634	52,874	49%	35%	16%	*	*	35	24
1958	642	58,723	43%	41%	16%	27	10	38	22
1959	660	56,496	37%	45%	18%	28	10	36	24
1960	658	61,093	32%	44%	24%	29	10	31	23
1961	702	68,080	28%	46%	26%	29	10	34	26
1962	745	75,428	27%	50%	23%	29	10	34	25
1963	801	88,242	25%	53%	22%	29	10	33	29
1964	840	116,875	22%	58%	20%	29	10	32.5	27
1965	928	143,974	19.4%	58.6%	22%	29	9.73	38	28
1966	1,031	185,778	18.7%	59.7%	21.5%	29.3	9.8	35	28.3
1967	1,194	218,386	*	*	*	29.5	9.7	36	30
1968	1,336	265,499	*	*	*	29.5	9.7	39.9	30.6
1969	1,566	293,451	*	*	*	29.36	9.71	37.25	28.29
1970	1,711	331,534	*	*	*	29.1	9.67	40.1	29.21
1971	1,858	387,733	*	*	*	28.02	9.78	41.23	31.34
1972	1,997	430,346	*	*	*	27.37	9.75	44.3	32.6
1973	2,135	440,216	*	*	*	25.1	9.8	42.0	31.8

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		H	J	K	L	EE	FF	GG	AA	HH	SA	SB	SC	SD
TOTALS	422,953	7,799	40,337	49,903	36,394	43,777	44,615	86,619	85,808	14,658	5,223	5,165	2,652	3
Alabama	8,294	231	744	1,067	582	1,052	824	1,228	2,290	276				
Alaska	1,330	90	408	264	57	233	72	58	117	31				
Arizona	6,312	653	312	627	1,023	988	844	491	1,270	8	56	39		1
Arkansas	3,453						887	2,566						
California	33,075	1,155	4,209	3,911	3,956	3,733	3,861	4,640	6,926	305	218	150	10	1
Canal Zone	34		1			33								
Colorado	6,215	392	809	419	284	270	339	479	3,114	97		11	1	
Connecticut	5,791								5,260			531		
Delaware	980	5	56	79	389	120	31	187	111		1	1		
District of Columbia	3,143		58	383	483	159	408	141	1,424	48	39			
Florida	10,339	9	51	3,081	2,815	2,010		2,329			44			
Georgia	11,611	563	1,226	2,573	857	1,749	910	2,445	1,242	46				
Guam	290				196	28	61	5						
Hawaii	1,225	40	178	174	71	65	155	171	371					
Idaho	3,272	113	293	839	537	235	225	327	702	1				
Illinois	16,880	3	107	1,163	28	757	284	7,786	6,072	199	15	294	172	
Indiana	5,795	89	957	747	988	913	1,003	397	676	18	6	1		
Iowa	4,954		75	267	14	66	87	854	3,589		1	1		

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TOTALS	442,953	7,799	40,337	49,903	36,394	43,777	44,615	86,619	85,808	14,658	5,223	5,165	2,652	3
Kansas	5,810	30	727	880	584	1,594	978	635	327	53	1	1		
Kentucky	9,183	166	1,605	915	1,256	1,254	1,245	1,116	1,617	8	1			
Louisiana	6,880		323	62	165	411	8	3,615	2,292		4			
Maine	1,838	176	191	283	261	233	245	250	199					
Maryland	8,941		112	1,479	668	208	4,447	163	78	1,780	4	2		
Massachusetts	6,352		982	845	790	688	1,696	636	391	26	175	114	9	
Michigan	18,285	523	1,954	1,551	1,627	3,530	3,419	2,364	3,122	150	38	6		1
Minnesota	4,379	273	406	935	552	1,159	353	392	296	8	5			
Mississippi	4,683	25	319	927	663	641	832	726	549	1				
Missouri	7,597		102	10	39	127	420	3,327	3,572					
Montana	1,851	58	376	310	368	356	197	125	61					
Nebraska	1,588	37	111	196	234	208	209	351	242					
Nevada	1,399	7	142	106	196	416	480	6	38		8			
New Hampshire	1,225	116	272	105	41	235	93	31	314	18				
New Jersey	19,368	8		5,644	580	780		9,687	620	29	1,639	381		
New Mexico	5,412	50	242	457	832	667	1,063	1,326	678	21	39	32	5	
New York	62,804		4,773	1,382	5,024	4,647	6,657	11,619	9,483	10,928	2,449	3,391	2,451	
North Carolina	8,991		241	884	424	102	7	4,150	3,179		2	2		
North Dakota	885	5	90	84	29	14	4	411	203	23	22			

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TOTALS	422,953	7,799	40,337	49,903	36,394	43,777	44,615	86,619	85,808	14,658	5,223	5,165	2,652	3
Ohio	5,849	4	1,295	462	11	487	635	1,640	1,293	13	4	5		
Oklahoma	4,004	230	581	456	166	799	311	748	697	16				
Oregon	8,706	178	1,203	1,421	768	1,332	883	810	1,820	275	7	8	1	
Pennsylvania	17,194	39	3,251	2,629	1,707	2,673	1,850	2,342	2,457	185	61			
Puerto Rico	432						253	179						
Rhode Island	3,758	176	445	295		128		1,923	747		9	35		
Samoa	150							49	101					
South Carolina	3,100		245	84	112	121	126	443	1,969					
South Dakota	1,116	28	217	199	39	179	116	116	221	1				
Tennessee	10,345	149	1,365	1,766	561	1,535	1,816	896	2,161	96				
Texas	38,845	1,096	6,253	6,200	3,866	4,901	4,066	6,038	6,171	43	156	53	2	
Trust Territory of the Pacific Is.	64	7				12	39	6						
Utah	1,932	11	64	125	62	243	202	502	676		24	23		
Vermont	1,057	5	162	92	73	186	137	123	279					
Virginia	8,379	509		957			19	2,008	4,886					
Washington	7,596	355	907	1,005	1,352	583	1,087	1,073	1,076	118	22	17	1	
West Virginia	4,073	110	781	643	534	478	241	973	313					
Wisconsin	4,891	70	1,016	682	439	302	376	1,574	377		49	6		
Wyoming	998	15	100	238	91	137	114	142	139	22				

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						EE	FF	GG	AA	HH						
TOTALS	7,564	114	751	912	636	1,131	963	750	1,407	337	360	203				
Veterans Administration Hospitals	1,868	114	337	317	210	220	261	299	100	4	3	3				
Federal Correctional and Health Institutions	3,565		160	595	264	486	702	244	803	175	74	62				
Visually Handicapped	144		144													
American Civilian Citizens Overseas and Foreign Nationals	1,987		110		162	425		207	504	158	283	138				
CANADA, PROVINCES																
TOTALS	9,699	3,407	288	2,288	532	263	1,566	720	634	1						
British Columbia	1,193		162	128	185	234	88	277	119							
Manitoba	4,992	3,316	126	1,522	28											
Nova Scotia	1,734	91		638	319			342								
Prince Edward Island	248					29	219									
Saskatchewan	1,532						1,259	101	171	1						
REPORT TOTAL	440,216	11,320	41,376	53,103	37,562	45,171	47,144	88,089	87,849	14,996	5,583	5,368	2,652			3

SUMMARY
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GED TESTING SERVICE
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During the Calendar year 1973, a total of 440,216 examinations, including 13,000 Spanish, were administered at 2,232 testing centers in the 50 states, D.C., five United States possessions, and five Canadian provinces. Included in the total were 3,565 examinations administered to candidates in federal correctional and health facilities and 144 visually handicapped persons. The Canadian provinces administered 9,699 tests.

The average age of all examinees was 25.1 years; the average years of formal schooling was 9.8. Of the total examinees, 42 percent indicated the test was taken to qualify for post secondary education or training, and 31.8 percent failed to meet state requirements for issuance of the equivalency diploma.

The state-level departments of education issued 256,905 diplomas based on GED Test scores. This number of GED credentials represents approximately 10% of the high school diplomas issued last year.

**STATE HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS OR CERTIFICATES
ISSUED BY DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION IN 1973
ON THE BASIS OF GED TEST SCORES**

STATE	Total No. of Certificates Issued in 1973	Test Reports from Official GED Centers	Test Reports from USAFI	STATE	Total No. of Certificates Issued in 1973	Test Reports from Official GED Centers	Test Reports from USAFI
Alabama	7,815	6,828	987	Nebraska	954	815	139
Alaska	2,544	1,256	1,288	Nevada	1,097	1,033	64
American Samoa	49	46	3	New Hampshire	1,032	774	258
Arizona	3,271	2,875	396	New Jersey	9,824	8,171	1,653
Arkansas	2,799	2,293	506	New Mexico	3,672	3,476	196
California	+	+	+	New York	34,523	31,117	3,406
Canal Zone	13	12	1	North Carolina	6,527	4,806	1,721
Colorado	4,604	4,052	552	North Dakota	776	655	121
Connecticut	4,043	3,598	445	Ohio	3,769	3,369	400
Delaware	602	519	83	Oklahoma	3,874	3,444	430
District of Columbia	1,029	789	240	Oregon	4,294	3,865	429
Florida	8,016	7,682	334	Pennsylvania	11,113	10,153	960
Georgia	6,595	5,824	771	Puerto Rico	963	587	376
Guam	212	186	26	Rhode Island	1,738	1,438	300
Hawaii	917	761	156	South Carolina	1,850	1,393	457
Idaho	366	351	15	South Dakota	1,410	1,310	100
Illinois	8,562	7,991	571	Tennessee	5,525	4,116	1,409
Indiana	642	257	385	Texas	26,829	23,444	3,385
Iowa	3,127	2,851	276	Trust Territory	12	11	1
Kansas	4,975	4,605	370	Utah	117	80	37
Kentucky	6,035	5,329	706	Vermont	746	667	79
Louisiana	8,014	6,638	1,376	Virginia	6,470	4,727	1,743
Maine	2,080	1,838	242	Washington	4,905	4,472	433
Maryland	5,083	4,302	781	West Virginia	3,401	2,747	654
Massachusetts	4,456	3,565	891	Wisconsin	3,075	2,606	469
Michigan	8,623	7,757	866	Wyoming	867	810	57
Minnesota	3,872	3,443	429	British Columbia	1,100	1,100	0
Mississippi	3,335	3,104	231	Manitoba	4,619	4,619	0
Missouri	5,952	5,227	725	Nova Scotia	835	833	2
Montana	1,688	1,507	181	Prince Edward Island	217	216	1
				Saskatchewan	1,452	1,452	0
				TOTALS	256,905	223,792	33,113

* Incomplete figures since both departments of education and high schools issue certificates or diplomas. Numbers given are those issued by the departments of education.

+ California State Department of Education did not issue certificates or diplomas to adults in 1973.