Employed Superintendent Attrition and New Hires 2011-12 through 2022-23

The table below presents statewide, annual figures for superintendent attrition and new hires.

Definition: We measure the number of employed superintendents by counting all superintendents employed at half-time or more regardless of whether they worked within a single local education agency (LEA; i.e., a school district or charter school organization) or multiple LEAs. In this analysis, we count a superintendent to attrite if an LEA reported a superintendent as employed in the academic year immediately prior to the enumerated year and the same superintendent was not reported as employed by any LEA in the enumerated year. We count a superintendent as new hire if an LEA reported a superintendent as employed by an LEA in the enumerated school year, but the superintendent was not employed by any LEA in the prior school year. We omit assistant superintendents from this analysis.

Academic Year	Number of Superintendent s	Attrition from Previous Year		New Hires	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2022-23	1,174	161	13.83%	171	14.57%
2021-22	1,164	163	13.90%	154	13.23%
2020-21	1,173	152	13.01%	157	13.38%
2019-20	1,168	158	13.76%	178	15.24%
2018-19	1,148	163	14.24%	166	14.46%
2017-18	1,145	163	14.11%	153	13.36%
2016-17	1,155	162	14.37%	190	16.45%
2015-16	1,127	191	16.73%	176	15.62%
2014-15	1,142	174	15.17%	169	14.80%
2013-14	1,147	174	15.32%	185	16.13%
2012-13	1,136	174	15.43%	182	16.02%
2011-12	1,128	161	14.41%	172	15.25%

Methodology: For the reported academic years, we extracted all superintendent employment records from the Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS) database. Superintendents who were employed during the previous academic year but not the current academic year were identified, and an attrition sum was computed. Then, superintendents who were employed during the current academic year but not the previous academic year were identified, and a sum of new hires was computed. Attrition is calculated as a percentage of the previous academic year's employed superintendents. New hires are calculated as a percentage of the current academic year's employees.