

Administrative Trivia

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The following information was taken from the 2004-2005 OPI Directory. The directory was used because it is a public document that is widely distributed for public use. The names of the positions are as listed in the directory.

Administrative Districts

- 340 Total - Operating Districts - (150,631 student enrollments statewide)
- 195 - Superintendent Adm. Districts
- 143 - District Clerks/Supervisory Teachers
 - 2 - Districts administered by chairperson/other
- 9 - Non-operating districts
- 3- State Funded schools

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Superintendents (130.65 FTE)

- 195 Superintendent Positions - (53 have K-12 responsibilities)
- 100 - Full-time Positions
 - 61 - Only administrator in district
 - 9 - Superintendents share High School Principal responsibilities
 - 8 - Superintendents share Middle School Principal responsibilities
 - 17 - Superintendents share Elementary School Principal responsibilities

Principal Positions (467.55 FTE)

- 733 - Total number of Principal positions
- 317 - Full-time principal positions
- 416 - Shared positions (150.55 FTE)
 - 61.13 FTE Superintendent/Principal positions shared
 - 89.42 FTE Principal positions shared

High School Principal Positions (101.20 FTE)

- 65 - Full-time High School principal positions
- 106 - Shared positions - High School Principal (36.20 FTE)
 - 16.85 FTE Shared positions - Superintendent/High School Principal
 - 19.35 FTE Shared positions - High School Principal

Middle School Principal Positions (120.08 FTE)

- 61 - Full-time Middle School principal positions
- 155 - Shared positions - Middle School Principal (59.08 FTE)
 - 19.66 FTE Shared positions - Superintendent/Middle School Principal
 - 39.42 FTE Shared positions - Middle School Principal

Elementary School Principal Positions (242.27 FTE)

- 187 - Full-time Elementary School principal positions
- 155 - Shared positions - Elementary School Principal (55.27 FTE)
 - 24.62 FTE Shared positions - Superintendent/Elementary School Principal
 - 30.65 FTE Shared positions - Elementary School Principal

Supervisor Teacher Districts

- 102 - Districts
- 109 - Supervisory Teachers
 - 4 - Lead Teachers
 - 20 - 1-5 Students
 - 25 - 6-10 Students
 - 23 - 11-15 Students
 - 14 - 16-20 Students
 - 12 - 21-30 Students
 - 21 - 31-80 Students

Note: FTE numbers may differ from OPI reports due to assignment of administrative responsibilities that may differ from what districts reported on their reports: e.g., if there was only one administrator for a district, the assignment was as follows: 2/3 responsibilities to the superintendent, 1/3 responsibilities to the elementary principal, and 1/3 responsibilities to the high school principal.

Also, it should be noted that 195 superintendent positions does not mean that Montana has 195 superintendents. For example, in Jefferson County, one superintendent covers 3 districts.

Below is a chart reflecting county student enrollments in Montana from largest to smallest. The first number reflects the number of students enrolled, and the second number is the number of operating districts in that county.

Yellowstone	22,393	15	Teton	1,264	8
Missoula	14,908	13	Pondera	1,164	6
Flathead	13,232	19	Powell	1,001	8
Cascade	12,665	8	Madison	938	5
Gallatin	9,862	16	Toole	878	3
Lewis & Clark	9,526	8	Phillips	876	5
Ravalli	6,253	7	Choteau	779	9
Silver Bow	5,011	4	Mineral	765	3
Lake	4,385	8	Broadwater	745	1
Hill	3,148	8	Musselshell	665	2
Lincoln	3,010	8	Sweet Grass	611	5
Glacier	2,863	4	Sheridan	571	4
Roosevelt	2,551	7	Fallon	504	2
Richland	2,384	6	Granite	481	3
Big Horn	2,334	6	Wheatland	454	4
Park	2,168	7	Judith Basin	404	4
Fergus	1,983	10	Powder River	377	3
Rosebud	1,927	6	Liberty	358	4
Custer	1,850	10	Daniels	290	3
Sanders	1,792	8	Meagher	286	3
Jefferson	1,722	7	McCone	285	2
Carbon	1,563	9	Garfield	205	9
Stillwater	1,508	8	Carter	188	6
Deer Lodge	1,400	1	Prairie	174	1
Blaine	1,393	9	Golden Valley	170	2
Dawson	1,378	5	Wibaux	160	1
Beaverhead	1,319	9	Treasure	141	1
Valley	1,266	6	Petroleum	103	1