





THE 2002-2003 School Year

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Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, 2003.