

Classroom Dollars and Proposition 301 Results

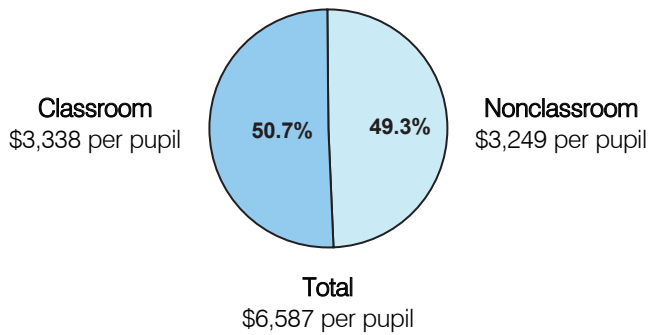
Somerton Elementary School District

Yuma County

District size: Medium
 Students attending: 2,508
 Number of schools: 4
 Number of certified teachers: 125

Classroom Dollars

Fiscal year 2005

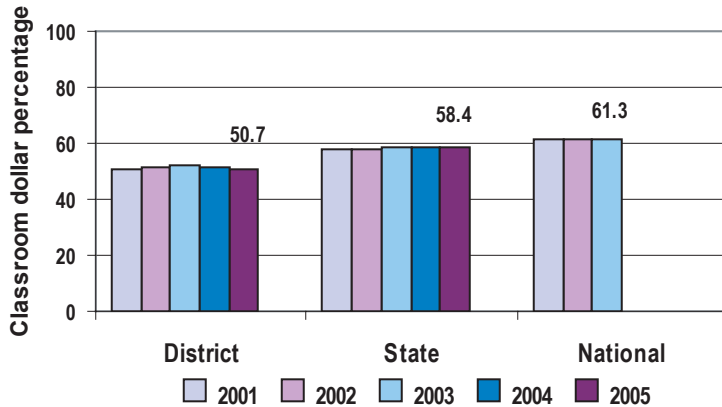


Comparative Information

	District			State
	2003	2004	2005	2005
Student/teacher ratio	21.1	19.9	20.1	18.3
Average teacher salary	\$36,079	\$37,965	\$39,300	\$39,095
Average years' experience	7.4	6.9	6.3	8.5

Classroom dollar ranking: 179 of 228 districts.

5-year comparison



Expenditures by function

	District					State	National
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2005	2002
Classroom dollars	50.4	51.4	52.1	51.7	50.7	58.4	61.5
Nonclassroom dollars:							
Administration	12.4	11.0	11.5	10.8	10.5	9.5	11.1
Plant operations	12.8	14.0	12.0	11.6	10.7	11.4	9.5
Food service	8.5	8.2	8.3	8.7	8.9	4.8	4.0
Transportation	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.3	3.2	4.1	4.0
Student support	8.0	7.3	6.9	6.3	8.2	7.0	5.0
Instruction support	4.5	4.8	5.8	7.6	7.8	4.6	4.7
Other						0.2	0.2

Proposition 301

District-reported 2005 results

Teacher pay

- On average, each teacher, librarian, speech pathologist, audiologist, and counselor earned between \$2,671 and \$3,466 in additional salary.

Performance

- The District accomplished its goals, which were similar to the prior fiscal year's goals and were based on district, school, and individual performance.
- Goals were linked to standardized test scores, developing assessments, implementing changes to instruction based on test scores, monitoring progress, and tutoring students.
- Another goal called for a 94.1 percent student attendance rate.

Menu

- Monies were primarily used to increase eligible employee compensation.
- 1 additional teacher and an instructional aide were hired to reduce class sizes.