

State Transportation Aid Summary Tables

1997-98 PAYMENT FOR 1996-97 COST

Revised: June 1998

TABLE 1 - SUMMARY OF STATE TRANSPORTATION AID

TOTAL ALLOWABLE COST	\$221,253,787
TOTAL COST ELIGIBLE FOR STATE AID	\$192,794,816
TOTAL ENTITLEMENT	\$130,097,341
APPROPRIATION CAP MAXIMUM PAYMENT	\$112,245,000
TOTAL AID PAID	\$112,244,738
APPROPRIATION CAP REDUCTION PERCENT	13.722295%
PERCENT ELIGIBLE COST PAID BY STATE AID	58.2%

TABLE 2 - SUMMARY PUPIL TRANSPORTATION COSTS BY ACCOUNT CODE

ACCOUNT CODE	ALLOWABLE	NON-ALLOWABLE	TOTAL
PAID OTHER DISTRICTS	\$1,061,255.25	\$0.00	\$1,061,255.25
RECEIVED OTHER DISTRICTS	-\$797,658.54	\$0.00	(\$797,658.54)
CERTIFIED SALARIES	\$2,623,794.53	\$102,382.32	\$2,726,176.85
NON-CERTIFIED SALARIES	\$68,391,606.32	\$1,154,111.13	\$69,545,717.45

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$10,295,966.30	\$4,520,726.55	\$14,816,692.85
PURCHASED SERVICES	\$99,894,625.27	\$25,480,043.01	\$125,374,668.28
SUPPLIES	\$21,256,801.23	\$40,299.46	\$21,297,100.69
MAJOR TOOL	\$407,045.81	\$363,673.98	\$770,719.79
NON-ROUTE COSTS	\$6,876,433.81	\$0.00	\$6,876,433.81
BUS DEPRECIATION	\$17,079,628.00	\$0.00	\$17,079,628.00
FACILITY DEPRECIATION	\$645,068.00	\$0.00	\$645,068.00
EARLY CHILDHOOD SPECIAL ED	-\$6,480,778.00	\$0.00	(\$6,480,778.00)
TOTAL	\$221,253,787.98	\$31,661,236.45	\$252,915,024.43

TABLE 3 - SUMMARY DISTRICT COST FACTOR EFFICIENCY RATING

	CONTRACTED	DISTRICT OPERATED	TOTAL
EFFICIENT	60	263	323
INEFFICIENT	78	120	198
TOTAL	138	383	521

TABLE 4a - SUMMARY ELIGIBLE AVERAGE DAILY TRANSPORTED

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KINDERGARTEN - 12th GRADE	419,561
VOCATIONAL	8,032
HANDICAPPED	8,870
TOTAL	436,463

TABLE 4b - SUMMARY INELIGIBLE AVERAGE DAILY TRANSPORTED

KINDERGARTEN - 12th GRADE ADDITIONAL COST	4,320
KINDERGARTEN - 12th GRADE NO ADDED COST	13,264
TOTAL KINDERGARTEN - 12th GRADE	17,584

TABLE 5 - SUMMARY MILES TRAVELED

CATEGORY	CONTRACTED	DISTRICT OPERATED	BOTH
APPROVED ROUTE/ELIGIBLE MILES	40,033,584	60,313,221	100,346,805
DISAPPROVED ROUTE/INELIGIBLE MILES	841,467	1,998,720	2,840,187
NON-ROUTE/INELIGIBLE MILES	3,198,309	7,647,038	10,845,347
TOTAL	44,073,360	69,958,979	114,032,339

TABLE 6 - STATE COST AVERAGES

	CONTRACTED	DISTRICT OPERATED	BOTH
COST PER MILE	\$2.23	\$1.76	\$1.94
COST PER ELIGIBLE ADT	\$500.18	\$384.72	\$441.72

TABLE 7 - SCHOOL BUS INFORMATION

	CONTRACTED	DISTRICT OPERATED	BOTH
NUMBER OF SCHOOL BUSES	5,267	6,777	12,044
EXPENDITURE FOR SCHOOL BUSES	Not Available	\$21,982,880.20	

CALCULATION OF STATE TRANSPORTATION AID

The state transportation aid program reimburses public school districts for transporting pupils to school from their residence and from school to their residence at the beginning and end of the school day during the regular school term pursuant to sections 163.161 and 167.231 RSMo. The State Board has adopted regulation (5CSR 30-261.040 Allowable Costs for State Transportation Aid) governing the calculation of state transportation aid.

State transportation aid payments to public school districts are calculated annually. School district expenditures for the previous school year that are allowable cost and reported data for the regular school term regarding the number of eligible and ineligible students transported on 9 count days, the total number of days students were transported, and the eligible and ineligible mileage are used to calculation state transportation aid payments. For example the program reimburses a school district during the 1998-99 school year for their 1997-98 school year transportation expenditures.

The reimbursement percentage for the state transportation aid program is a maximum of 75% of a school districts allowable cost for transporting eligible pupils on approved routes. There are two adjustments made to allowable cost. One adjustment is to prorate the allowable cost for eligible pupils and eligible miles or eligible cost for state transportation aid. The second adjustment is for cost efficiency. Only a negative adjustment is made when a school district service for regular pupil transportation is determined to be inefficient. A maximum efficiency adjustment of a negative 30% may be made. An appropriation cap has also been set for the state transportation aid program. A reduction in the calculated payment to keep the total payment to all school districts from exceeding the appropriation cap limitation is made annually. The 1997-98 entitlement calculation total in June of 1998

for 1996-97 transportation cost is \$130,097,341. That entitlement was reduced 13.722295% to keep the total amount paid to all school districts from exceeding the appropriation cap limitation of \$112,245,000. During 1997-98 school year for 1996-97 costs 521 school districts range of reimbursement percentage was 38% to 62% of their cost for eligible pupils and miles.

During the months of July through October estimated amounts based on the previous year's payment is used to make an estimated monthly payment until data is collected and a live payment can be calculated. The first live payment usually is calculated for the month of November. An adjustment in the month of the first live payment and subsequent months for any over or under payments made during previous months is made monthly until June when the payment is final.

NOTE 1: Selected 1997-98 transportation aid payment data for each of the 521 school districts may be found under the general heading of "[Individual School District Transportation Data.](#)"

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