



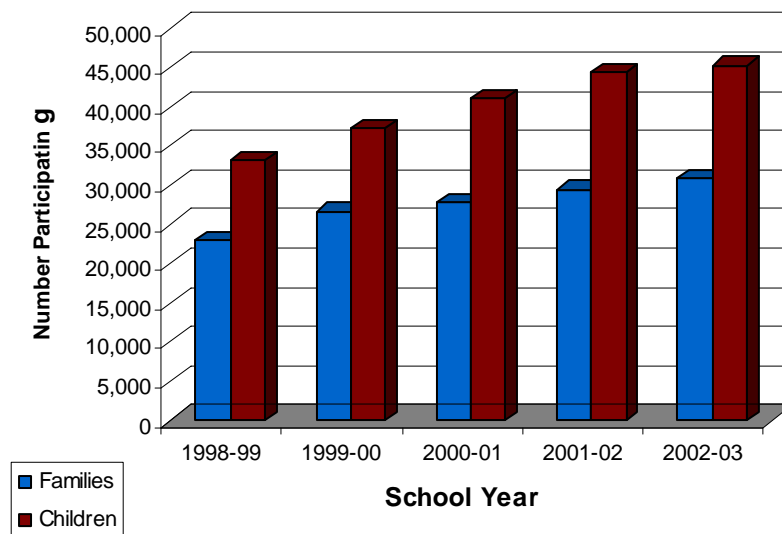
# Statistical Brief

Bureau of Education Information & Accountability Services

## Florida Home Education Programs 2002-03

A Home Education Program, as defined in Section 1002.01(1), F.S., is “sequentially progressive instruction of a student by his or her parent or guardian in order to satisfy attendance requirements of Section 1002.41.” Section 1002.41, F.S., requires that a parent or guardian notify the superintendent of schools of the county of residence of their intent to establish and maintain a home education program. This notice is required within 30 days of its establishment. For the 2002-03 school year, the Department of Education surveyed each school district to determine the number of individuals who had registered their intent to establish home education programs. From the numbers provided by the districts, the statewide roster of home education totals 29,892 families accounting for 45,333 children. Figure 1 shows the increase in home education programs over a five-year period. Table 1 shows the number of children and families in a home education program by district. Based on information provided by school districts as presented in Table 2, the most representative home educated student in Florida is a white male of elementary school age.

**Figure 1**  
**Families and Children in a Home Education Program**  
**Registered with Florida School Districts**  
**1998-99 through 2002-03**



Data as of May 19, 2003.

- 2 Table 1, Number of Children and Families Registered in Home Education Programs
- 3 Table 2, Home Education Student Profile

**Table 1**  
**Number of Children and Families**  
**Registered in Home Education Programs**  
**2002-03**

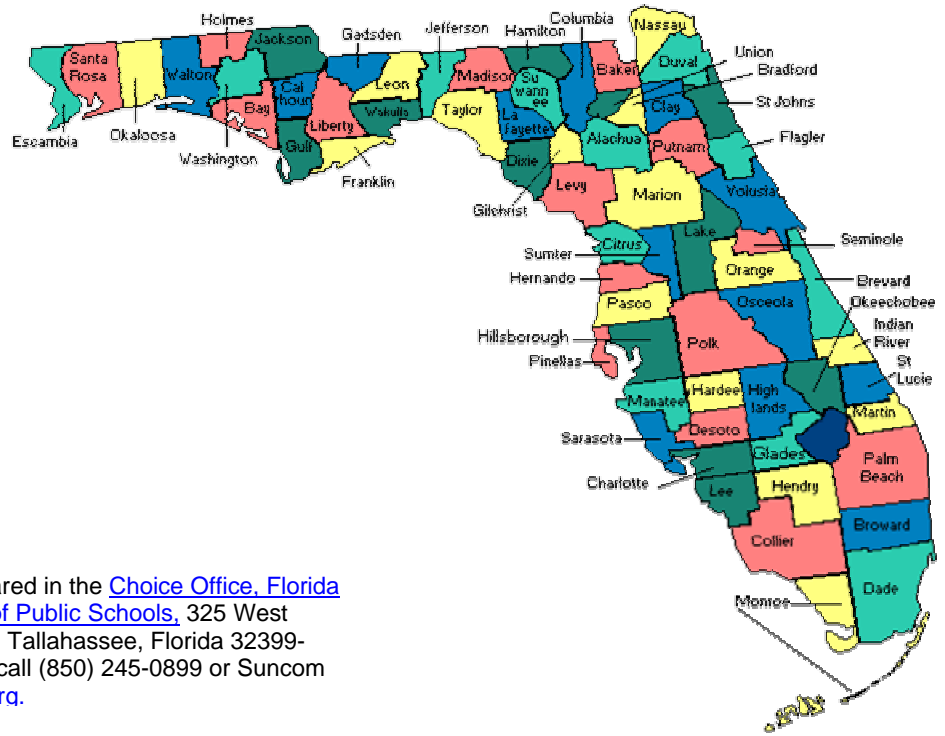
District	Number of Children	Number of Families	District	Number of Children	Number of Families
Alachua	745	472	Lake	839	555
Baker	64	44	Lee	1309	886
Bay	603	399	Leon	877	561
Bradford	112	78	Levy	199	135
Brevard	1,906	1,336	Liberty	8	4
Broward	3,196	894	Madison	60	40
Calhoun	99	68	Manatee	769	596
Charlotte	285	198	Marion	1089	873
Citrus	545	370	Martin	429	334
Clay	643	402	Monroe	280	201
Collier	651	448	Nassau	344	194
Columbia	510	339	Okaloosa	609	386
Dade	2,254	1,770	Okeechobee	123	79
De Soto	113	72	Orange	2,511	1,696
Dixie	69	50	Osceola	601	436
Duval	2,682	1,846	Palm Beach	2,594	1,759
Escambia	1,146	768	Pasco	1231	934
Flagler	241	161	Pinellas	2,441	1,586
Franklin	25	17	Polk	2,374	1,715
Gadsden	268	169	Putnam	220	144
Gilchrist	149	96	St. Johns	493	320
Glades	25	20	St. Lucie	181	145
Gulf	22	13	Santa Rosa	749	503
Hamilton	48	23	Sarasota	749	512
Hardee	33	22	Seminole	1,086	719
Hendry	140	96	Sumter	203	136
Hernando	580	427	Suwannee	236	168
Highlands	268	210	Taylor	132	84
Hillsborough	2,687	1,673	Union	37	27
Holmes	92	63	Volusia	1215	814
Indian River	410	336	Wakulla	71	55
Jackson	178	122	Walton	288	213
Jefferson	113	63	Washington	69	8
Lafayette	15	9	<b>State</b>	<b>45,333</b>	<b>29,892</b>

**Table 2  
Home Education Student Profile by District  
2002-03**

Counties	Enrollment	White	Black	Multi/Other	Not Reported	5-11	12-15	16-18	Not Reported	Male	Female	Not Reported
ALACHUA	745	676	32	37	0	404	225	116		357	388	0
BAKER	64	63	1	0	0	30	30	4	0	37	27	0
BAY	603	0	0	0	603	240	200	163	0	320	283	0
BRADFORD	112	110	2	0	0	54	27	31	0	61	51	0
BREVARD	1,906	1,713	64	71	58	868	664	374	0	979	927	0
BROWARD	3,196	1,234	133	227	1,602	1,824	549	820	3	1,008	972	1,216
CALHOUN	99	98	1	0	0	38	41	20	0	40	59	0
CHARLOTTE	285	0	0	0	285	133	68	84	0	129	156	0
CITRUS	545				545	235	197	113	0	0	0	545
CLAY	643	0	0	0	643	328	163	152	0	0	0	643
COLLIER	651	335	6	41	269	315	208	128	0	315	316	20
COLUMBIA	510	455	15	15	25	229	163	118	0	262	248	0
MIAMI- DADE	2,254	668	173	732	681	953	595	706	0	1,023	1,036	195
DESOTO	113	97	0	16	0	53	34	26	0	58	55	0
DIXIE	69	66		0	3	29	27	13	0	34	35	0
DUVAL	2,682	1,896	228	107	451	1,257	1,046	378	1	1,410	1,267	5
ESCAMBIA	1,146	1,041	65	40	0	509	341	296	0	568	578	0
FLAGLER	241	228	2	9	2	125	63	53	0	119	122	0
FRANKLIN	25	25	0	0	0	10	12	3	0	11	14	0
GADSDEN	268	254	11	3	0	144	77	33	14	148	120	0
GILCHRIST	149	0	0	0	149	63	62	24		77	72	0
GLADES	25	23	0	2		10	10	5	0	11	14	0
GULF	22	22	0	0	0	7	13	2	0	11	11	0
HAMILTON	48	43	1	4	0	20	16	12	0	28	20	0
HARDEE	33	26	1	6	0	17	11	5	0	21	12	0
HENDRY	140	93	1	13	33	76	39	21	4	72	68	0
HERNANDO	580	547	9	24	0	198	156	226	0	304	276	0
HIGHLANDS	268	0	0	0	268	0	0	0	268	0	0	268
HILLSBOROUGH	2,687	0	0	0	2,687	1,479	914	294	0	0	0	2,687
HOLMES	92	0	0		92	33	48	11	0	42	50	0
INDIAN RIVER	410	397	4	9	0	207	122	78	3	220	190	0
JACKSON	178	0	0	0	178	79	66	33	0	95	83	0
JEFFERSON	113	109	0	2	2	56	41	16	0	59	54	0
LAFAYETTE	15	15	0	0	0	11	4	0	0	9	6	0
LAKE	839	782	21	36	0	377	241	221	0	436	403	0
LEE	1,309	1,205	16	88	0	648	444	217	0	663	646	0
LEON	877	588	54	85	150	430	307	140	0	456	421	0
LEVY	199	193	2	4	0	73	82	44	0	96	103	0
LIBERTY	8	8	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	4	4	0
MADISON	60				60	27	27	6	0	37	23	0
MANATEE	769	0	0	0	769	305	207	257	0	415	354	0
MARION	1,089	879	47	42	121	381	285	423	0	542	547	0
MARTIN	429	397	5	4	23	158	181	89	1	225	204	0
MONROE	280	172	2	39	67	109	101	70	0	147	133	0
NASSAU	344	0	0	0	344	174	103	67	0	197	147	0
OKALOOSA	609	0	0	0	609	0	0	0	609	319	290	0
OKEECHOBEE	123	114	0	9	0	43	48	32	0	60	63	0
ORANGE	2,511	2,098	190	220	3	1,192	866	453	0	1,313	1,198	0
OSCEOLA	601	0	0	0	601	273	163	165	0	309	292	0
PALM BEACH	2,594	1,230	89	136	1,139	1,120	916	558		1,357	1,237	0
PASCO	1,231	1,146	13	72	0	581	424	226	0	617	614	0
PINELLAS	2,441	2,027	93	158	163	1,156	862	423	0	1,275	1,166	0
POLK	2,374	1,898	191	111	174	1,025	895	454	0	1,188	1,186	0
PUTNAM	220	160	9	6	45	93	106	21	0	102	118	0
ST. JOHNS	493	474	0	14	5	243	162	88	0	254	239	0
ST. LUCIE	181	77	7	5	92	82	66	33	0	90	91	0
SANTA ROSA	749	0	0	0	749	0	0	0	749	397	352	0
SARASOTA	749	0	0	0	749	353	276	120	0	379	370	0
SEMINOLE	1,086	686	22	69	309	605	331	150	0	551	535	0
SUMTER	203	186	13	4	0	105	69	29	0	106	97	0
SUWANNEE	236				236	109	69	58	0	119	117	0
TAYLOR	132	126	6	0	0	47	63	22	0	65	67	0
UNION	37	35	0	0	2	11	22	4	0	19	18	0
VOLUSIA	1,215	1,140	32	43	0	569	450	196		604	611	0
WAKULLA	71	58	1	1	11	38	24	9	0	34	37	0
WALTON	288	288	0	0	0	142	81	65	0	146	142	0
WASHINGTON	69	0	0	0	69	0	0	0	69	40	29	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>45,333</b>	<b>26,201</b>	<b>1,562</b>	<b>2,504</b>	<b>15,066</b>	<b>20,507</b>	<b>14,107</b>	<b>8,998</b>	<b>1,721</b>	<b>20,390</b>	<b>19,364</b>	<b>5,579</b>
<b>PERCENTAGE</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>12</b>

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