

Office of Civil Rights: Civil Rights Data Collection

Seclusion and Restraint Data Overview

- The Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC) is a biennial (i.e., every other school year) survey required by the U.S. Department of Education's (Department) Office for Civil Rights (OCR)
 - Data is collected from all public local educational agencies (LEA) and schools, including long-term secure juvenile justice facilities, charter schools, alternative schools, and schools serving students with disabilities.
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WHAT DATA DOES THE CRDC PROVIDE?

- Data every other school year on:
 - Number of instances of restraint and seclusion reported
 - Number of students reported to be involved
 - Detailed data breakdowns on:
 - Number of INCIDENTS and STUDENTS INVOLVED by:
 - State
 - School district (LEA)
 - School
 - Data regarding NUMBER OF STUDENTS by:
 - Type of procedure: Seclusion, Mechanical Restraint, Physical Restraint
 - Race: Hispanic, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, Black, White, Two or more races
 - Sex
 - Disability: Receives special education, regular education
 - Limited English Proficiency
 - Data regarding the NUMBER OF INCIDENTS by:
 - Type of student: Students without disabilities, students who have a disability and receive special education, student who have a disability and are served under a 504 plan
 - Type of procedure: Seclusion, Physical Restraint, Mechanical Restraint
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INFORMATION THAT CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE CRDC?

- Detailed data on the number of students involved, types of students involved, and the number of instances reported (see previous)
 - Data specific to each school and district
 - Data by school type: elementary, middle/junior high, high school
 - Data by school and district size
 - Trends (every other year) by restraint type, student type, race, sex, LEP, district, school, school type, school/district size
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CONSIDERATIONS OF THE INFORMATION THAT CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE CRDC?

- Every other year survey
- About a 2 year wait for data
 - Example: 2013-14 school year data released in June 2016
- Data is not student specific
 - Students involved and number of instances cannot be correlated
- Data needs to be obtained from OCR
- Data needs to be processed and analyzed to obtain specific information wanted

Link to the OCR CRDC Website for further information: <http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/data.html?src=rt>