

1.1. The Range of Sizes of Oklahoma School Districts.

Most of Oklahoma’s school districts are small. Over 200 districts have less than 26 educators in their workforce.

- The top 37 districts (less than 7 percent of all districts) account for 50 percent of the educator workforce.

To better analyze the data, clusters—based on the size of districts---were created. The clusters were constructed on “natural” breaks in the data, and in total show fairly similar numbers for total educators as the table indicates.

- The clusters have been broadly designated as urban (clusters 1-4), mid-size (clusters 5-8) and rural (clusters 9-10).

Table 5: District Clusters

Cluster Number	Range in Size of the Educator Workforce	Number of Districts in the Cluster	Total Number of Educators in the Cluster 1996	Cumulative Percent of Districts	Cumulative Total of All Educators in 1996	Cumulative Percent of All Educators in 1996	Broad Categories for Clusters
1	2923+	2	5920	0.4%	5920	13%	Urban Districts
2	1275 - 1359	3	3967	0.9%	9887	21%	
3	943 - 1152	4	4181	1.6%	14068	30%	
4	510 - 716	5	2338	2.5%	16406	35%	
5	331 - 471	9	3521	4.1%	19927	43%	Mid-Size Districts
6	202 - 298	14	3503	6.6%	23430	50%	
7	100 - 190	48	6582	15.3%	30012	65%	
8	51 - 99	97	6973	32.7%	36985	80%	
9	26 - 50	172	6235	63.6%	43220	93%	Rural Districts
10	1- 25	203	3225	100.0%	46445	100%	

Appendix 6 indicates which districts are in which clusters