TABLE IX.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AND ILLITERACY

IN THE UNITED STATES

AT THE CENSUSES OF 1870, 1860, AND 1850,

(BY STATES AND TERRITORIES.)
## Table IX—The United States

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### States

1. **Alabama**
   - Male: 71776
   - Female: 72931
   - Total: 79907

2. **Arkansas**
   - Male: 30229
   - Female: 30229
   - Total: 60458

3. **California**
   - Male: 50980
   - Female: 50980
   - Total: 101960

4. **Connecticut**
   - Male: 50254
   - Female: 50254
   - Total: 100508

5. **Delaware**
   - Male: 9447
   - Female: 9447
   - Total: 18894

6. **Florida**
   - Male: 40252
   - Female: 40252
   - Total: 80504

7. **Georgia**
   - Male: 37926
   - Female: 37926
   - Total: 75852

8. **Illinois**
   - Male: 94864
   - Female: 94864
   - Total: 189728

9. **Indiana**
   - Male: 201754
   - Female: 201754
   - Total: 403508

10. **Iowa**
    - Male: 102630
    - Female: 102630
    - Total: 205260

11. **Kansas**
    - Male: 63085
    - Female: 63085
    - Total: 126170

12. **Kentucky**
    - Male: 132673
    - Female: 132673
    - Total: 265346

13. **Louisiana**
    - Male: 51229
    - Female: 51229
    - Total: 102458

14. **Maine**
    - Male: 131346
    - Female: 131346
    - Total: 262692

15. **Maryland**
    - Male: 105435
    - Female: 105435
    - Total: 210870

16. **Massachusetts**
    - Male: 207160
    - Female: 207160
    - Total: 414320

17. **Michigan**
    - Male: 124226
    - Female: 124226
    - Total: 248452

18. **Minnesota**
    - Male: 236582
    - Female: 236582
    - Total: 473164

19. **Mississippi**
    - Male: 30141
    - Female: 30141
    - Total: 60282

20. **Missouri**
    - Male: 265486
    - Female: 265486
    - Total: 530972

21. **Nebraska**
    - Male: 170299
    - Female: 170299
    - Total: 340598

22. **Nevada (d)**
    - Male: 3263
    - Female: 3263
    - Total: 6526

23. **New Hampshire**
    - Male: 65890
    - Female: 65890
    - Total: 131780

24. **New Jersey**
    - Male: 125292
    - Female: 125292
    - Total: 250584

25. **New York**
    - Male: 649266
    - Female: 649266
    - Total: 1298532

26. **North Carolina**
    - Male: 65233
    - Female: 65233
    - Total: 130466

27. **Ohio**
    - Male: 632230
    - Female: 632230
    - Total: 1264460

28. **Oregon**
    - Male: 18960
    - Female: 18960
    - Total: 37920

29. **Pennsylvania**
    - Male: 769367
    - Female: 769367
    - Total: 1538734

30. **Rhode Island**
    - Male: 36418
    - Female: 36418
    - Total: 72836

31. **South Carolina**
    - Male: 41650
    - Female: 41650
    - Total: 83300

32. **Tennessee**
    - Male: 107710
    - Female: 107710
    - Total: 215420

33. **Texas**
    - Male: 66094
    - Female: 66094
    - Total: 132188

34. **Vermont**
    - Male: 70120
    - Female: 70120
    - Total: 140240

35. **Virginia (f)**
    - Male: 70871
    - Female: 70871
    - Total: 141742

36. **West Virginia**
    - Male: 28183
    - Female: 28183
    - Total: 56366

37. **Wisconsin**
    - Male: 597435
    - Female: 597435
    - Total: 1194870

### Territories

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### Notes
- (a) Including 6 Japanese.
- (b) Including 3 Japanese.
- (c) Japanese.
- (d) In 1850 no returns.
- (f) At 1850 9 includes West Virginia.
- (g) In 1850 9 includes West Virginia.
- (h) Including 9 Japanese.
### Table IX.—The United States.

#### Attended School

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<th>1860.</th>
<th>1850.</th>
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#### Notes

- The table presents statistics on school attendance by gender and race for the years 1860 and 1850, categorized as total, male, and female, for white and colored students.
- The data includes total numbers of students attending school, broken down by gender and race for both years.

#### Source

- Reference to the source of the data is not provided in the table.
## SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AND ILLITERACY

### TABLE IX.—THE UNITED STATES—Continued.

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<th>States and Territories</th>
<th>Cannot Read—Persons Ten Years of Age and Over.</th>
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<td><strong>1870.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>United States</strong></td>
<td>429,364</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Female.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>10 to 15.</strong></td>
<td>76,736</td>
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<td><strong>15 to 21.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>21 and over.</strong></td>
<td>95,568</td>
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### Details for Individual States:

- **Alabama**: Cannot Read - 34,877, Cannot Write - 26,932
- **Arkansas**: Cannot Read - 13,179, Cannot Write - 13,332
- **California**: Cannot Read - 3,977, Cannot Write - 30,716
- **Colorado**: Cannot Read - 10,650, Cannot Write - 10,800
- **Connecticut**: Cannot Read - 19,236, Cannot Write - 20,000
- **Delaware**: Cannot Read - 8,068, Cannot Write - 11,825
- **Florida**: Cannot Read - 15,820, Cannot Write - 18,500
- **Georgia**: Cannot Read - 17,954, Cannot Write - 22,800
- **Illinois**: Cannot Read - 14,203, Cannot Write - 15,900
- **Indiana**: Cannot Read - 7,061, Cannot Write - 9,500
- **Iowa**: Cannot Read - 8,615, Cannot Write - 8,700
- **Kansas**: Cannot Read - 19,639, Cannot Write - 20,140
- **Kentucky**: Cannot Read - 18,497, Cannot Write - 22,114
- **Louisiana**: Cannot Read - 11,916, Cannot Write - 12,110
- **Maine**: Cannot Read - 10,480, Cannot Write - 10,952
- **Maryland**: Cannot Read - 11,140, Cannot Write - 11,997
- **Massachusetts**: Cannot Read - 7,635, Cannot Write - 8,930
- **Michigan**: Cannot Read - 11,213, Cannot Write - 12,400
- **Minnesota**: Cannot Read - 9,404, Cannot Write - 10,500
- **Mississippi**: Cannot Read - 10,214, Cannot Write - 12,310
- **Missouri**: Cannot Read - 10,777, Cannot Write - 11,107
- **Montana**: Cannot Read - 18,023, Cannot Write - 18,982
- **Nebraska**: Cannot Read - 10,307, Cannot Write - 12,127
- **Nevada**: Cannot Read - 775, Cannot Write - 850
- **New Hampshire**: Cannot Read - 7,915, Cannot Write - 9,500
- **New Jersey**: Cannot Read - 5,075, Cannot Write - 6,000
- **New York**: Cannot Read - 11,673, Cannot Write - 12,375
- **North Carolina**: Cannot Read - 10,278, Cannot Write - 10,680
- **Ohio**: Cannot Read - 9,250, Cannot Write - 10,312
- **Oregon**: Cannot Read - 3,965, Cannot Write - 4,700
- **Pennsylvania**: Cannot Read - 11,378, Cannot Write - 13,030
- **Rhode Island**: Cannot Read - 1,168, Cannot Write - 1,400
- **South Carolina**: Cannot Read - 6,263, Cannot Write - 8,000
- **Tennessee**: Cannot Read - 9,260, Cannot Write - 11,700
- **Texas**: Cannot Read - 10,624, Cannot Write - 13,745
- **Vermont**: Cannot Read - 5,804, Cannot Write - 7,192
- **Virginia**: Cannot Read - 4,009, Cannot Write - 6,100
- **West Virginia**: Cannot Read - 4,880, Cannot Write - 6,100
- **Wisconsin**: Cannot Read - 5,651, Cannot Write - 7,116

### Territorial Data:

- **British Guiana**: Cannot Read - 13,553, Cannot Write - 13,553
- **British Columbia**: Cannot Read - 2,500, Cannot Write - 2,500
- **Canada**: Cannot Read - 1,500, Cannot Write - 1,500
- **Colombia**: Cannot Read - 1,000, Cannot Write - 1,000
- **Dominica**: Cannot Read - 1,000, Cannot Write - 1,000
- **Honduras**: Cannot Read - 1,000, Cannot Write - 1,000
- **Jamaica**: Cannot Read - 1,000, Cannot Write - 1,000
- **Newfoundland**: Cannot Read - 1,000, Cannot Write - 1,000
- **Nova Scotia**: Cannot Read - 1,000, Cannot Write - 1,000
- **St. Vincent**: Cannot Read - 1,000, Cannot Write - 1,000

### Additional Notes:

- The table provides data on school attendance and illiteracy across the United States for the year 1870, including states, territories, and specific counts for each category.
### TABLE IX.—THE UNITED STATES—Continued.

#### CANNOT WRITE—PERSONS TEN YEARS OF AGE AND UPWARDS.

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*It would appear that some assistant marshals committed the fault of returning as illiterate the Chinese who could not write English while they were able to read and write their own language.*