

# Fun Facts: Back to School



## Gearing Up for School

In the United States in 2018, there were approximately—

- **6,400** children and infants clothing stores
- **23,000** shoe stores
- **4,000** department stores
- **5,000** office supply and stationery stores
- **6,000** bookstores



## Roll Call

- **About 77 million:** The number of children and adults enrolled in school throughout the country in October 2018—from nursery school to college.
- **About 49 million:** The total number of students enrolled in public kindergarten through 12th grade in the United States in fall 2018.
- **About 5 out of 10 (54%):** The percentage of children aged 3 to 6 who were enrolled in pre-k and kindergarten in the United States as of October 2018.



## Education Pays Off

In 2018, all workers aged 18 and older with earnings made different average yearly salaries based on their education level.

- People with a bachelor's degree made approximately **\$71,000**.
- High school graduates and GED recipients made about **\$39,000**.
- Those with an education below ninth grade made nearly **\$29,000**.



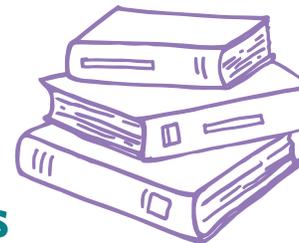
*Why do magicians do so well in school?*

*Because they're good at trick questions.*



## Hitting the Books

- **About \$13,000:** The current spending per pupil amount (in dollars) for elementary and secondary public school systems in the United States in 2018.



Sources: Data on this page come from the U.S. Census Bureau's 2018 County Business Patterns, 2018 Current Population Survey, and 2018 Annual Survey of School System Finances.