

**IASB Survey of District Superintendents**  
 Regarding District Outsourcing Practices – January 2007  
 856 member districts – 412 responses – 48 percent

Does your district outsource custodial/building maintenance services?	Number	Percent
Yes	86	20.9 %
No	326	79.1 %
Total	412	100.0 %

Does your district outsource food services?	Number	Percent
Yes	133	32.3 %
No	279	67.7 %
Total	412	100.0 %

Does your district outsource transportation?	Number	Percent
Yes	196	47.6 %
No	216	52.4 %
Total	412	100.0 %

Do outsourced services apply to all your schools or just to some.	Number	Percent
All schools	248	60.2 %
Some schools	18	4.4 %
No outsourced services	145	35.2 %
Total	411	99.8 %

Your district consists of how many schools?	Number	Percent
One school	97	23.5 %
Two to four schools	192	46.6 %
Five to ten schools	93	22.6 %
More than 10 schools	30	7.3 %
Total	412	100.0 %

What is the student enrollment of your district?	Number	Percent
Fewer than 500 students	91	22.1 %
500 to 999 students	95	23.1 %
1,000 to 2,499 students	126	30.6 %
2,500 to 4,999 students	67	16.3 %
5,000 or more students	33	8.0 %
Total	412	100.0 %

What type of community does your school district serve?	Number	Percent
Large city	20	4.9 %
Small city	40	9.7 %
Suburban	137	33.3 %
Rural	214	51.9 %
Total	411	99.8 %

Do you outsource custodial and cleaning services?	Number	Percent
Yes	58	14.1 %
No	353	85.7 %
Total	411	99.8 %

Do you outsource building/mechanical maintenance?	Number	Percent
Yes	53	12.9 %
No	359	87.1 %
Total	412	100.0 %

Do you outsource grounds care?	Number	Percent
Yes	72	17.5 %
No	340	82.5 %
Total	412	100.0 %

If you outsource, what planning assistance do you use in working with your vendors?	Number	Percent
Materials provided by vendor	24	5.8 %
Documents developed locally	29	7.0 %
Publications from other sources	10	2.4 %
No planning resources	53	12.9 %
No response	296	71.8 %
Total	412	100.0 %

If you do not outsource, does your district have adequate resources for planning, training and directing?	Number	Percent
Yes, our local manual is up-to-date.	66	16.0 %
Yes, we use purchased materials.	73	17.7 %
No, our material is not up-to-date.	115	27.9 %
No, we have no materials but need to acquire some.	59	14.3 %
No, we see no need for such materials.	24	5.8 %
No response	75	18.2 %
Total	412	100.0 %