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Comparison of 2007 and 2013 School District Typology

The Ohio Department of Education classifies public school districts by typology for research purposes based on a statistical analysis of shared demographic and geographic characteristics. In 2013, the department took advantage of new data and created a new typology for districts to replace the typology created in 2007.

A new typology classification was created for the 2013 update. As a result, there are new typology codes and descriptors. This document contains three tables that serve as a crosswalk between the 2007 and 2013 district typology descriptors and codes.

Change in Typology Descriptors			
2013 Code	2007 Code	2007 Descriptors	2013 Full Descriptors
0	0	Special Districts	Special Districts
1	1	Rural/Agricultural – High poverty, low median income	Rural – High Student Poverty & Small Student Population
2	2	Rural/Agricultural – Small student population, low poverty, low to moderate median income	Rural – Average Student Poverty & Very Small Student Population
3	3	Rural/Small Town – Moderate to high median income	Small Town – Low Student Poverty & Small Student Population
4	---	New	Small Town – High Student Poverty & Average Student Population Size
5	6	Urban/Suburban – High median income	Suburban – Low Student Poverty & Average Student Population Size
6	7	Urban/Suburban – Very high median income, very low poverty	Suburban – Very Low Student Poverty & Large Student Population
7	4	Urban – Low median income, high poverty	Urban – High Student Poverty & Average Student Population
8	5	Major Urban – Very high poverty	Urban – Very High Student Poverty & Very Large Student Population
Note: Because the groupings contain different sets of schools, the descriptors of the 2007 typology may not accurately describe the schools in the 2013 typology classification.			

Change in Districts Within Each Typology Code

2013 Typology	2007 Typology	2007 District Count	2013 District Count	Change in Districts
1	1	97	124	27
2	2	161	107	-54
3	3	81	111	30
4	---	0	89	89
5	6	107	77	-30
6	7	46	46	0
7	4	102	47	-55
8	5	15	8	-7

Movement of Districts Between 2007 and 2013 Typology Codes

2007 Code	2013 Code								Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1	57	22	4	14	0	0	0	0	97
2	58	62	29	12	0	0	0	0	161
3	3	22	49	0	6	1	0	0	81
4	5	1	8	54	1	0	33	0	102
5	0	0	0	0	1	0	6	8	15
6	1	0	21	9	65	3	8	0	107
7	0	0	0	0	4	42	0	0	46
Total	124	107	111	89	77	46	47	8	609