

**Accountability Data - Please read instructions/info below data table.**

File	File Type	Description	Years of Availability
<b>Federal Accountability</b>			
Various	Federal Reports (District & Campus) federal_acct_rtgs_district(yy) federal_acct_rtgs_campus(yy)	Federal accountability report cards covering ESEA-NCLB (Elementary and Secondary Education Act-No Child Left Behind) ratings and any other federal school, district, and state requirements; reports include information at the district level as well as campus level	2003-2008
<b>State Accountability</b>			
Various	State Reports - AEIS/TAPR (District & Campus) state_acct_rtgs_district(yy) state_acct_rtgs_campus(yy)	Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) / Texas Academic Performance Reports (TAPR): Reporting system from the state that pulls together a wide range of information on schools, districts, and state averages; performance indicators according to state developed accountability measures; information covers achievement outcomes, student demographics, staffing information, and budget data; reports are often referred to as 'snapshot' data and/or school report cards; 2004-2009 data are recorded all together while all other yearly files are separated into categories of interest (e.g., campus reference, student/staff/financial data, various achievement records, and college readiness/completion information)	2004-2009
Various	State Reports - TAPR (District & Campus)	The Texas Academic Performance Reports (TAPR), formerly known as the Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) reports, pull together a wide range of information annually on the performance of students in each school and district in Texas. The reports also provide extensive information on staff, programs, and demographics for each school and district. From this website you can access TAPRs for the state and every public school, district, or region of Texas: <a href="http://tea.texas.gov/perfreport/tapr/index.html">http://tea.texas.gov/perfreport/tapr/index.html</a>	After 2009 - go to TEA website link directly

**Data Description:**

- Each of these data sets cover information on achievement testing for students as well as other indicators of accountability as required by either state or federal law (attendance, graduation, dropout, etc.);
- The data within the files describe the levels of attainment by campus/district/state and whether or not those levels were acceptable under required accountability standards and/or set goals;
- Attainment of accountability indicators are shown by totals and percents as well as broken down by numbers in important subgroups which are also monitored under accountability provisions.
- Some years of state data are not combined into one large file but rather separated out into several files covering distinct sections of accountability;
- In years with multiple files, the use of the campus/district reference file in coordination with the other files will provide the most information;

**Overall Considerations:**

- Keep in mind legislative changes at the state and federal levels when deciding upon the data needed for your project;
- Also keep in mind implementation changes (e.g., Texas TPM additions to the accountability rating system, NCLB waiver periods) when looking at data;
- Accountability rating systems have changed over the years with several different programs (e.g., 1994-2002, 2004-2011, 2014-current, plus a new A-F system to start in 2017); no ratings were given in 2003 or 2012;
- The TEA website devoted to accountability provides a number of useful resources including links to this data as it is publically available (i.e., you can download it for yourself);
- In addition you will be able to find archives, manuals, information on systematic changes, and other informative links and published materials to help better understand the data;
- Much like the accountability site, the performance reporting site on the TEA website provides a number of useful resources for both AEIS and TAPR.

**\*These data sets are publically available and as such you do not have to request them. Once in the ERC server system you may access and move these files to your own folder from the "ERC\_Master" folder. Files may be in another software format and may be transferred via Stat/Transfer software or in (.dat) or (.lyt) file formats which are comma delimited and may be opened in Excel.**

*Several resources below should help as you consider the data for your study*

**TEA Accountability Site:** <http://tea.texas.gov/accountability/>

**TEA Performance Reporting (AEIS/TAPR):** <http://tea.texas.gov/perfreport/>