

February 2023: Supply & Demand Update

In an effort to obtain more up-to-date information from school districts, CERRA recently contacted personnel directors to inquire about the number of additional teacher departures since they submitted a Supply and Demand Survey and the number of positions currently vacant in their schools. Below is a table that summarizes the data collected from districts at two different points during the 2022-23 school year. Also included in the table are comparable data from the 2021-22 school year.

In February 2023, 75 of 76 SC public school districts (including all three public charter school districts) reported an additional 880 teacher departures since completing their survey in September/October 2022. These districts also reported 1,273 teacher positions that are currently vacant for the 2022-23 school year. Of these vacancies, 88 were identified as newly created positions for the 2022-23 school year that have yet to be filled. Therefore, most vacancies occurred as a result of teacher resignations.

Teacher* Supply & Demand Data	Teacher Departures	Vacant Teacher Positions
September/October 2021	6,893	1,033
February 2022	977 (additional departures)	1,121
September/October 2022	8,321	1,474
February 2023	880 (additional departures)	1,273

**For reporting purposes, a teacher is a certified educator in a classroom-based teaching position or a school-based service position (school counselor, librarian, psychologist, and speech language pathologist).*