



## Data Collection and Data Reporting

This document describes the difference between how race and ethnicity data are collected and how race and ethnicity data are reported (with a focus on special education) at the Texas Education Agency (TEA).

Revised data standards for classifying individuals by race and ethnicity were issued by the US Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in 1997. In 2007, the US Department of Education (USED) issued requirements and guidance to educational institutions on how race and ethnicity data will be collected and reported. For example, race and ethnicity data are used at the state level for calculating and reporting the results of 9 types of significant disproportionality (SD) at each local education agency (LEA) (CR §00.647).

USED's guidance