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The National Association of School Psychologists recommends a ratio of no more than 500 students per school psychologist. In the 2019-2020 school year, the national ratio was estimated to be more than double, and only one state met the recommended ratio, the organization said. **The National Association of Social Workers** and American School Counselor Association both recommend a ratio of 250 students per social worker and counselor, which most states also fail to meet, according to a [2019 ACLU report](#).