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This report provides a summary of significant financial trends and findings identified in the audits of the 67 district school boards. For the 2009-10 fiscal year, audits of 51 school districts were performed by our office and audits of 16 school districts were performed by other independent certified public accountants. The audit reports prepared by the other independent certified public accountants were required to be filed with us no later than June 30, 2011.

Significant Financial Trends

- At June 30, 2010, school districts Statewide had an average level of general fund unreserved fund balance that was 11.89 percent of general fund revenues (financial condition ratio), which represents an increase of more than 3 percent over the average financial condition ratio for the previous fiscal year. Of the 67 school districts, 3 had ratios that were less than 3 percent at June 30, 2010. In these circumstances, these three school districts have significantly less resources available for emergencies and unforeseen situations than other school districts.

Significant Findings

- The audit reports for 65 of 67 districts included audit findings addressing weaknesses in internal control or instances of noncompliance with applicable laws or rules. Nine audit reports included one or more findings that were considered to be material weaknesses, which represents a significant decrease from the fifteen audit reports that included material weaknesses for the previous fiscal year.