

SETTING THE RECORD STRAIGHT: LICENSE DISCIPLINE

Statistics and figures from August 1, 2009 to present



Wisconsin Has Great Teachers

Wisconsin is fortunate to employ countless outstanding educators, and events that trigger investigations into educator misconduct are uncommon. **Less than 1%** of the licensed school workforce is investigated for potential discipline.



The Department Takes Necessary Action

Over **93%** of investigations and actions result in a license being suspended or revoked.



Thorough, Impartial Investigation Process

Investigations use a **thorough and impartial process** that follows the laws of our state, including the licensee's constitutional right to due process. In order to revoke a license, the department **must show** that a majority of the evidence proves that the educator committed immoral conduct. Only 88 investigations have found insufficient evidence for a revocation.

Background Statistics

- In a given year roughly **220,000** individuals hold a department-issued license
- The department completed **1,294 investigations and actions:**
 - 1,206 resulted in licenses taken
 - 88** immoral conduct investigations found **insufficient evidence** to revoke
- Of the 1,206 revocations:
 - 935** were auto-revocations for tax delinquencies
 - 271** were for immoral conduct, which includes automatic revocations for specified crimes against children
- Of the 271 immoral conduct revocations or other actions:
 - 121** were prevented from renewing their license
 - 109** were revoked
 - 41** were denied a license

