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### **ABSTRACT**

Findings of a study that examined patterns of minority employment among elementary and secondary teachers in public and Catholic schools in six San Francisco Bay area counties are presented in this paper. Using an open systems model of service delivery, the study assessed the ability of the model to explain variation in minority teacher employment across public and Catholic schools. Two variables defined the institutional environment of schools: sectoral and intergovernmental. The three environmental variables included student segregation, employment growth, and targeted aid. Regression analysis was conducted on 1981-82 data on public and nonpublic schools in six Bay area counties. Findings indicate that client characteristics (the racial composition of schools) influenced the employment of Black and Hispanic teachers more strongly in public than in Catholic schools. Most employment gains were made in large public schools with higher proportions of minority students. Implications are that the trend toward block grants may dampen the positive employment effects of previous categorical funding, and that urban schools may be confronted with a "crisis of legitimacy" if the political dimensions of the teacher-student relationship are ignored. Two figures and three tables are included. The appendix contains statistical results. (Contains 53 references.) (LMI)



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### Abstract

Today, another restructuring of the operations of government is underway -- a response to the perceived failure of earlier government-initiated social reforms. Since state and federal education programs have been at the center of the new reforms, there are important implications for the continued reduction and redirection of educational funding and regulation on the future employment prospects of minority teachers in public and Catholic schools. This study explores within sector variations in minority employment in public and Catholic schools.

The present study is both geographically and occupationally specific: we examine patterns of employment for elementary and secondary teachers in public and Catholic schools operating in the six counties surrounding San Francisco Bay. Operating within the constraints of available data, this report explores several environmental determinants of minority employment in public and Catholic schools. Employing an open systems model of service delivery, the present study reassesses the ability of that model to explain variation in minority teacher employment across public and Catholic schools. Subsequently we present a more detailed analysis of the different employment experiences of Black and Hispanic teachers within public and Catholic schools. Finally, the results of these two sets of analyses form the basis for a discussion of general conclusions and policy implications.



Nearly two decades have elapsed since the first major federal social programs were enacted in pursuit of Lyndon Johnson's Great Society. Since then, California and other states have matched and often surpassed the level of federal funding and regulation in the areas of education, health, welfare, employment, and public housing. The proliferation of federal and state social programs since the 1960s has fundamentally restructured the operations of government in the 1980s. However, the social outcomes of this restructuring measured in terms of both equity and efficiency have been subjected to considerable controversy.

Today, another restructuring of the operations of government is underway. This restructuring is a response to the perceived failure of earlier government-initiated social reforms. The "new" reforms, initiated by the Reagan Administration, have concentrated on reducing social spending and regulation, and on redirecting social service delivery through private providers. As before, the social impact of this new restructuring is the subject of controversy. This time, however, attention has turned to the impact of "privatization" and "deregulation" on minority employment (See: James and Levin, 1983; Rumberger, 1983). Since state and federal education programs have been at the center of these new reforms, there are important policy implications for the continued reduction and redirection of educational



funding and regulation on the future employment prospects of minority teachers in public and Catholic schools. In a previous study (Encarnation and Richards, 1984), we examine the significance of one such outcome: the impact of government social spending and regulation on the employment of minority teachers in public, Catholic and private schools. The present study explores in greater detail within sector variations in minority employment in public and Catholic schools.

Looking back over the past two decades, few analysts contest the conclusion that federal and state social policies have failed to achieve many of their intended economic objectives. Yet, numerous assessments of program implementation have concluded that these same programs improved the material well-being of ethnic and racial minorities by expanding employment opportunities in professional and semi-professional occupations. Early analyses concluded that this growing minority middle class owed its new-found economic status to federal (and state) equal employment legislation and subsequent judicial interventions in pursuit of affirmative action (For a summary, see Wallace, 1977). No distinction was drawn in these early studies between public and private sector employment gains, especially for professional occupations. Later studies indicated that the gains in minority professional employment were attributable not to growth in the private sector but to the direct creation of publicly-funded jobs in government agencies (Carnoy et al., 1976; Freeman, 1973). Moreover, increases in minority employment were greatest in those government agencies that implemented federal and state social welfare programs designed to serve low-income clientele (Brown and Erie, 1981; Newman,



1976). At the state and local levels, where most of this new public employment took place, <u>public education</u> accounted for two-thirds of the social welfare employment increase (Brown and Brie, 1981). Thus educational employment merits closer scrutiny.

While existing research has focused on important public-private distinctions, these studies suffer from several shortcomings. With a few exceptions (e.g., Lindsay, 1976), existing research analyzes racial employment patterns across the entire national economy. This approach presents several problems: occupational categories are broadly defined; potential employers vary widely across dissimilar industries; labor markets become less and less comparable as their geographic boundaries expand. The present study differs from earlier research by being both geographically and occupationally specific: we examine patterns of employment for elementary and secondary teachers in publicand Catholic schools operating in the six counties surrounding San Francisco Bay.

Another shortcoming of previous studies is their failure to pay much attention to characteristics of public and private sector labor markets internal to the same industry. As the authors demonstrated in prior research (Richards and Encarnation, 1982), the personal characteristics of teachers and the environmental characteristics of schools shape the internal labor markets of those schools. Operating within the constraints of available data, this report explores several environmental determinants of minority employment in public and Catholic schools. Government social spending and regulation must be viewed as but one set of variables that defines the institutional



environment of schools. To this may be added the sector within which the school operates. Ownership patterns and federal categorical programs, for example, have each been identified as important determinants of employment patterns. Similarly, two additional sets of variables define in part the consumer environment of schools—student characteristics and their changing composition. Our first report (Encarnation & Richards, 1984) examined variation between sectors as one explanation of differences in minority employment across public, Catholic and other private schools. Building on this earlier research, the present report explores patterns of variation within the two largest educational sectors—public schools and Catholic schools.

Finally, existing research on determinants of minority employment has paid scant attention to the varied employment experiences of minority groups within public and private institutions. Yet, as the authors demonstrated in previous research on the public sector (Richards and Encarnation, 1982), Anglo, Black, and Hispanic teachers work in strikingly different types of schools. For example, Hispanic teachers typically work in more highly Hispanic-segregated schools than do Black teachers in Black-segregated schools. Similarly, Anglo teachers predominate in schools that are Anglo-segregated—i.e., where Black and Hispanic pupils are a small percentage of the total pupil population. Using our earlier research as a point of departure, this report analyzes variation in racial employment patterns for Black and Hispanic teachers within public and Catholic schools.

Employing an open systems model of service delivery developed and tested in our first report, the present study reassesses in Section I



the ability of that model to explain variation in minority teacher employment across public and Catholic schools. Subsequently we present a more detailed analysis of the different employment experiences of Black and Hispanic teachers within public and Catholic schools. Finally, the results of these two sets of analyses form the basis for our discussion of general conclusions and policy implications.



### Environmental Determinants of Minority Employment:

### Retesting A Model

The model. Figure 1 summarizes the hypothesized relations between factors that comprise a school's environment and one important component of a school's internal operations, its employment of minorities. Two variables define the institutional environment of schools—the first, sectoral; the second, intergovernmental. These institutional factors in turn are affected by the current and changing composition of a school's consumer environment. Taken together, these several environmental variables have both direct and indirect effects on employment patterns.

their degree of "publicness"; that is, schools may be classified by the extent to which they are publicly or privately owned or controlled, and by whom. The hypothesis that sector is an important predictor of minority employment is consistent with research concerning the direct creation of publicly-funded jobs in government agencies that serve low-income clientele. In addition, the relation between sector and minority employment is also consistent with research (Lindsay, 1976) reported on the incentive structure of service industries generally: the argument here is that managers of private service providers value Anglo over minority professionals because managers perceive that this ordering characterizes the preference functions of their clients and consumers. These nonpublic managers may find it easy to match their demand for Anglo teachers with available supply. Research concerning the occupational preferences of teachers (Chambers, 1978) suggests that

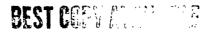
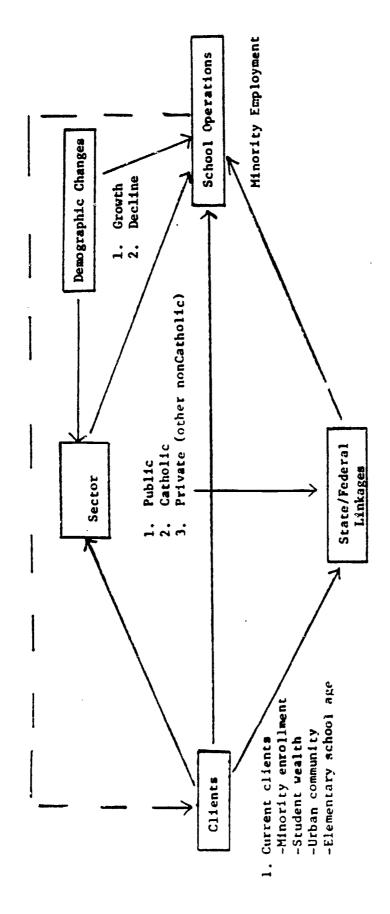




Figure 1

# An Open Systems Model of Minority Employment



- . Incentive grants for broad purposes -Library materials -Vocational education
- Targeted aid for selected students
   Compensatory education
   Bilingual education

Consumer Environment

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Institutional Environment

Internal Operations : (1 2)(3 5 (4) Anglo teachers will accept lower wages in order to work in public schools (and presumably private schools) that have low levels of violence, are located in pleasant suburban surroundings, have a well-maintained physical plant, and so on. In sum, widely different bodies of literature concerning the demand for, and supply of teachers support the hypothesis that the number of minority teachers rises in public schools, declines in private schools. Moreover, research suggests that the institutional factors that define the concept of sector have an independent effect on minority employment. In our first report, sector was treated as a variable in the analysis; in the present report, sector is treated as a control so that within-sector variation among the determinants of minority employment may be examined.

The second component of a school's institutional environment, inextricably related to the first, is defined by the extent of state and federal fiscal and regulatory entanglement with the local educational agency, be it a school or school district. As noted above, minority employment gains were greater in those state and local agencies that implemented federal and state social programs. These programs were not the exclusive preserve of public schools. Nonpublic schools or their students were eligible for funding or "in kind" services under most federal schemes (Encarnation, 1983). Federal programs were generally of two types. Categorical aid targeted to selected students must be distinguished from other programs designed to provide incentives for broad purposes defined locally. It is the former set of programs that are associated with minority employment;



that is, as the number of students participating in compensatory education or bilingual education programs increases, the number of minority teachers is likely to increase. The reasons for this are many and varied; social welfare programs designed to serve low-income clientele have been a major source of minority employment gains (Brown and Erie, 1982; Newman, 1976; Carnoy et al., 1976); most such programs are tightly monitored by state and federal agencies or the courts (Wallace, 1977); a few may link funding to desegregation of the labor force (Levin, 1977); an even fewer number may implicitly link minority professional specialization with ethnic identity (Richards, 1984; Richards and Encarnation, 1982). By contrast, broadly defined incentive grants do not have these characteristics (Encarnation, 1983), and enjoy higher rates of participation among public and nonpublic schools alike (Coleman et al., 1982). Nontargeted aid programs would, therefore, be expected to have negligible effect on minority employment.

Institutional sources of employer demand for minority teachers—be they sectoral or intergovernmental—do not alone explain variation in staffing patterns across different schools. Other sources of variation can be explained by the consumer environment of schools. While these demands may be institutionalized—witness the emergence of parent—teacher associations and school site councils—more often than not they are reflected in the characteristics of the students who attend schools. Our previous research identified two broad sets of student characteristics that have an effect on school operations generally, and staffing patterns specifically (Encarnation and



Richards, 1984). As we see from Figure 1, one set identifies the current composition of students; the other, changes in that composition.

Widely different bodies of research concerning the demand for, and supply of teachers all draw the same conclusion: the single best predictor of the number of minority teachers employed in a given school is the number of minority students enrolled in that school. The reasons for this direct, positive relationship between minority employment and minority enrollment are many and varied: minority teachers are recognized as important role models for minority students (Dworkin, 1980; Naboa, 1980; Haney, 1978); they partially satisfy political demands emitted from the community and from within the school (Peterson, 1981; Kirp, 1982); they work in minority-segregated inner-city schools otherwise deemed less desirable by their Anglo counterparts (Chambers, 1978).

A related predictor of minority employment is a dynamic component of that same consumer environment: growth in the labor market for school personnel. Such growth is associated with greater employment of minorities, largely because growth is often driven by increased minority (especially Hispanic) enrollments. Decline, on the other hand, is usually driven by reductions in Anglo enrollment. The response to declining Anglo enrollment is shaped by structural features in the teacher labor market: seniority and tenure provisions in teacher contracts, and the proclivity of managers to retain personnel long under their employ. Since minority teachers are among the most recently hired for the environmental reasons outlined above, existing



research suggests that they are likely to be among the first fired (Richards, 1933; Richards and Encarnation, 1982). In other words, lower minority employment should be found in schools experiencing larger reductions in teachers employed.

In summary, our review of existing research identified several environmental determinants of minority employment in elementary and secondary schools. In the institutional environment of schools, these determinants include sectoral as well as intergovernmental variables. Additional sources of variation may be found in the consumer environment of schools, environs shaped by the current and changing composition of the students served by schools. Taken together, these variables and the linkages among them define an open systems model of service delivery, a model portrayed in Figure 1.

<u>Data and methodology</u>. Using the indicators identified in Equation (1), we were able in our first report to operationalize the variables identified in the model (Encarnation and Richards, 1984). Data were drawn from public and nonpublic schools surveyed during 1981-82 in the six counties surrounding San Francisco Bay. Schools sampled in these six counties exhibited wide variation on variables of interest to the study, while at the same time operating in close proximity to each other. Geographic proximity, as we noted at the outset of this essay, reduces the number of confounding factors that would otherwise distort a nation-wide sample of schools.

In order to isolate the contribution of separate environmental factors to minority employment, ordinary least square estimation procedures were performed using step-wise inclusion criteria. 4 In



our first report, data from all public, Catholic, and other private schools responding to the survey were entered into regressions, and the general applicability of the model to this cross-section of schools was demonstrated. However, we also suggested that within each sector, the specification of the model may be different. In the present report, we seek to retest the open system model of service delivery outlined above, focusing this time on the applicability of the model as an explanation of minority employment patterns within the two largest educational sectors—public schools and Catholic schools.

In summary, our own empirical findings combined with limited outside evidence give reason to hypothesize significant variation among and between private and public schools in their employment of Anglos, Blacks, and Hispanics. That variation in employment otherwise attributed to sectoral differences should be altered, we further hypothesize, by three additional environmental factors—student segregation, employment growth, and targeted aid—that themselves vary by sector. For example, the level of minority (and especially Hispanic) employment should be higher in public as compared to private schools. That level should be especially high in those public schools with proportionately larger minority (especially Hispanic) enrollments, growth in the labor force, and large numbers of students enrolled in targeted programs (See Figure 2). The opposite should hold for levels of Anglo employment.

A private school that scores high on each of these measures -- student enrollment, employment growth, targeted programs -- should come close to looking like a public school that scores



Figure 2

# HYPOTHESIZED RELATIONSHIPS:

Environmental Factors Shaping the Probability of Minority (Especially Hispanic) Employment

fronment	Changing Faculty Size		Growth Dec11ne		High to Low Prob. Prob.	11 11	VI III		ate	Proh.   Proh.	Environment	Programs	No Targeted Aid	Moderate	to low	II Prob.	1	Very	Prob.
Consumer Environment	Composition	Small Proportion	Minority	Moderate	to Low	II II	. AI	Very	Low	Prob.	Institutional Environment	Government Programs	Targeted Ald	Very	H1gh	Prob. I		Low to	Moderate Prob.
	Student Racial Composition	Large Proportion	Hinority	Very	High	1	111	Low to	Moderate	Prob.									
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				Institutional Environment Sector															

low on these measures. In other words, one can imagine a continuum of "publicness" in which selected private schools begin to look more and more like public schools depending upon the environment within which they operate. With regard to the employment of minorities, this continuum would run from Quadrant I to Quadrant IV, from the highest probability of minority (espacially Hispanic) employment to the lowest. We have constructed this continuum to reflect our hypothesis that sector should dominate all other environmental variables as a predictor of employment.

In our previous analysis of the determinants of minority employment in public, Catholic and private schools (Encarnation and Richards, 1984) we found that "publicness" alone was insignificant when predicting the number of minority teachers in our San Francisco Bay Area sample of public, Catholic and private schools. Rather a small subset of variables—the proportion of minority students enrolled, the proportion of students enrolled in compensatory education programs, the size of the school and the number of new teachers in the school—were the most important predictors of increased employment of minority teachers. Two important and related questions arose as a result of this first analysis:

- (1) Were there important interaction effects between sector and the significant subset of variables identified in our first analysis?
- (2) Did the model we specified have equal predictive power for both Black and Hispanic teachers?

To test for interaction effects, we restricted the sample to public and Catholic schools, and employed an elaborated regression



model. The original 12 variables (minus the Catholic dummy variable) were forced into a regression equation and then the interaction variables were allowed to enter into the equation using a stepwise inclusion criterion. Two interaction terms were statistically significant. The final model is represented in equation (1). The analysis was restricted to a public-Catholic school comparison because of the low numbers of minority students in private (non-Catholic) schools, and their low levels of participation in state and federal categorical programs.

(1) 
$$Y = b_1 + b_2 x_1 + b_3 x_2 + b_4 x_3 + b_5 x_4 + b_6 x_5 + b_7 x_6 + b_8 x_7 + b_9 x_8 + b_{10} x_9 + b_{11} x_{10} + b_{12} x_{11} + b_{13} x_{12} + b_{14} (x_1.x_5) + b_{15} (x_1.x_9)$$

Where:

Y = the number of minority teachers employed

- X<sub>2</sub>= a dummy variable for urban location where "1" indicates the school is within the city limits of Oakland, San Francisco, and San Jose, and "0" indicates all other locations
- X<sub>3</sub> = a dummy variable for school type where 1 = elementary
  and 0 = secondary
- X<sub>4</sub> = a dummy variable for school participation in former ESEA
  Title IV-B where "1" indicates the school received funds for
  library materials and "0" indicates non participation



X = total school enrollment

X = total preschool enrollment

 $X_7$  = number of teachers with less than 5 years seniority

X<sub>8</sub>= the number of teachers laid-off during the two-year period 1979-1981

X = the proportion of minority students enrolled

X<sub>10</sub> = the proportion of low SES students enrolled

 $x_{12}^{**}$  the proportion of students enrolled in federally or state funded bilingual education programs (former ESEA Title VII).

To test whether our model was equally predictive of both Black and Hispanic teacher employment we made two further changes. First, we ran two separate regressions changing the dependent variable from Minority Teachers to Black Teachers and Hispanic Teachers, respectively. Second, we altered the independent variables so that they reflected the proportions of Black and Hispanic students rather than the previous proportions of minority students. Thus, for example, on our second regression the dependent variable became the number of Black teachers employed and our corresponding student enrollment variable became the proportion of Black students enrolled. The third regression (with the number of Hispanic teachers employed as the dependent variable) utilized a parallel modification for Hispanic students.

Table 1 describes the results of the interaction effects and their implications; Tables 2 and 3 describe the fit of the model for Black and Hispanic teachers. Appendix A contains the actual estimates and significance tests generated by the stepwise regression procedures.



TABLE 1

Hypothesized Relations and Empirical Findings:
Determinants of Minority Employment

Independent Variables	Hypothesized, Relationship	Linear Model $(R^2 = .72)$		
Institutional Factors		B Value	Significance	
Local/Sectoral				
Public	+	-1.656	.059	
State/Federal				
Incentive Grants				
Library Materials	Q. ·	-0.568	.042	
Targeted Aid			••••	
Compensatory Education	+	3.004	-0004	
Bilingual Education	+	1.027	N.S.	
Teacher Growth & Decline				
Growth	+	0.080	.002	
Decline	-	-0.086	n.s.	
Client Characteristics				
Minority Race	+	-0.918	N.S.	
Low SES	+	.872	N.S.	
Urban Community	+	0.992	007،	
Elementary School Age	0	0.209	N.S.	
Size (K-12)	0	.000	N.S.	
Interaction Terms				
Public X Minority	+	5.604	.000	
Public X Size (K-12)	+	0.004	.028	

Notes: See Appendix A for the complete estimation of the linear regression model.

b Key: (+) or (-) indicate a positive or negative relationship, respectively; (0) indicates no predicated relationship.

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TABLE 2

Hypothesized Relations and Empirical Findings:
Determinants of Black Teacher Employment

Independent Variables	Hypothesized Relationship	Linear Model $(R^2 = .79)$		
Institutional Factors		B Value	Significance	
Local/Sectoral Public		-0.039	n.s.	
Public	•	0.033		
State/Federal				
Incentive Grants	0	-0.367	.050	
Library Materials Targeted Aid	· ·	0.507	••••	
Compensatory Education	+	0.516	N.S.	
Bilingual Education	+	3.477	.022	
Changing Composition	•		•	
Growth	+	0.023	n.s.	
Decline	-	-0.037	N.S.	
Client Characteristics	•			
Proportion Black Students	+	2.111	.053	
Low SES	<b>+</b> ·	1.246	.069	
Urban Community	+	0.523	.027	
Elementary School Age	C	-0.188	N.S.	
Size (K-12)	0	0.001	.0004	
Interaction Terms			-	
Public X Black Students	+	7.886	.0001	

Notes: See Appendix A for complete estimation of the linear regression model.

b<sub>Key:</sub> (+) or (-) indicate a positive or negative relationship, respectively; (0) indicates no predicted relationship.

TABLE 3

Hypothesized Relations and Empirical Findings:
Determinants of Hispanic Teacher Employment

Independent Variables	Hypothesized b	Linear Model $(R^2 = .57)$		
Institutional Factors		<b>B Value</b>	Significance	
Local/Sectoral				
Public	+	-1.491	.007	
State/Federal				
Incentive Grants				
Library Materials	0	0.092	n.s.	
Targeted Aid				
Compensatory Education	+	-0.067	n.s.	
Bilingual Education	+	0.212	N.S.	
Changing Composition				
Growth	+	0.060	.0005	
Decline	-	0.002	N.S.	
Client Characteristics				
Proportion Hispanic Students	. +	0.954	N.S.	
Low SES	<b>+</b> .	-1.072	.066	
Urban Community	+	0.117	N.S.	
Elementary School Age	0	-0.053	M.S.	
Size (K-12)	0	-0.001	N.S.	
Interaction Terms				
Public X Hispanic Students	+	3.270	.036	
Public X Size (K-12)	0	0.003	.004	

Notes: See Appendix A for complete estimation of the linear regression model.

b Key: (+) or (-) indicate a positive or negative relationship, respectively; (0) indicates no predicted relationship.

### Findings

### Interaction Effects

The first objective of this study was to determine if sector and the various predictors in our model interact. That is, for example, whether minority enrollments have the same impact on the employment of minority teachers in public and Catholic schools. Statistically significant interaction terms provide positive evidence of different within-sector slopes for the corresponding predictor. The logic of this procedure is similar to that for the Chow test. The results are reported in Table 1.

Of the several interaction terms introduced into equation (1) only two were significant; the proportion of minority students enrolled and school size. With the introduction of these two interaction terms into the model, the overall R<sup>2</sup> increased from .68 to .71. Both variables were significant at the .05 level. These results indicate that the proportion of minority students enrolled and school size are more strongly related to minority employment in public schools rather than in Catholic schools.

### Black and Hispanic Teacher Employment

As stated previously, we were also concerned whether our model would predict equally well for Black and Hispanic teachers in separate regressions. There is reason to believe that Black and Hispanic teacher employment patterns might be differentially affected by the predictors in our model.

Based on earlier research (Richards and Encarnation, 1982) we found that in California, Black teachers on average had more years of



teaching experience than Hispanic teachers, suggesting they entered the labor force in the 1960s and 1970s. This was a time when overall school enrollments were expanding; it was prior to the era of fiscal constraint engendered by Proposition 13; and it was at the apex of the Black civil rights and school desegregation movements. This confluence of demographic, fiscal, and social forces may have generated somewhat historically unique employment opportunities for Black teachers. Hispanic teachers, on the other hand, began entering the teacher labor force in California in the 1970s, at a time when overall enrollments were dramatically declining, fiscal constraints were a serious impediment to expanded teacher employment and the momentum of the Civil Rights movement had slowed considerably. Thus, one might expect our model to fit better for Black teachers and not as well for Hispanic teachers. The regression models for Black and Hispanic teachers are reported in Tables 2 and 3, respectively.

With respect to the two issues raised in the introduction to this report, we found:

(1) a significant interaction between "publicness" and the racial composition of the school in predicting both Black and Hispanic teacher employment. This result suggests that client characteristics influence the employment of minority teachers more strongly in the public school sector than in the Catholic school sector.

Only one other interaction term was significant in our study.

Public sector and school size interacted to predict increased employment of Hispanic teachers.



(2) We found important differences in the fit of our two models, as indicated by the R<sup>2</sup>, when we decomposed the original model into separate regressions for Black and Eispanic teachers. The fit increased for Black teachers, and sharply decreased for Hispanic teachers.

This finding was in accordance with the predictions set forth above on the basis of earlier research (Encarnation and Richards, 1982). In addition to these major conclusions a number of additional findings are noteworthy. Some important differences between the predictors of Black and Hispanic teacher employment are as follows:

- (1) The dummy variables for public sector were significant and negative in the Hispanic regression, but not in the Black regression. This indicates that for Hispanic teacher employment, the intercept (constant) terms differ according to sector.
- (2) The proportion of students enrolled in bilingual education, contrary to our prediction, is positively and significantly associated with increased employment of Black teachers but not insignificantly associated with the employment of Hispanic teachers.
- (3) Schools with larger numbers of teachers with less than 5 years experience have significantly higher levels of Hispanic teacher employment but not of Black teacher employment.
- (4) The proportion of Black students predicts the employment of Black teachers independent of school sector; the proportion of Hispanic students is not a statistically significant predictor of Hispanic teacher employment.



- (5) Larger schools independent of sector tend to hire more Black teachers; whereas, only larger <u>public</u> schools tend to hire more Hispanic teachers.
- (6) The crucial interaction term for both models was public sector with proportion Black and Hispanic students respectively. That is, public schools with higher proportions of Black and Hispanic pupils were predicted by each model to hire more Black and Hispanic teachers.
- (7) Finally, the proportion of low-SES students of the same race showed a marginally significant positive association with Black teacher employment, and a marginally significant negative association with Hispanic teacher employment.

There are few straightforward and unambiguous explanations consistent with these complex results. At the risk of generalizing beyond the limitations of our data, however, we suggest one line of plausible argumentation extrapolated form the preceding analyses.

We believe that our analysis supports the conclusion that the client-provider relationship is most important in explaining the racially based patterns of minority teacher employment. Within the public schools in our sample, this relationship was particularly strong, and the finding held for both Black and Hispanic teachers. In Catholic schools, the relation was significantly weaker. One explanation for the observed relationship consistent with previous research is that public schools, in contrast to private and Catholic schools, are more sensitive to what Hans Weiler (1983) has termed the "compensatory legitimacy" claims placed by consumers on state sponsored institutions. Thus, it is argued, the combination of fiscal,



regulatory and judicial mandates of the previous decade created a "crisis of legitimacy" which was reflected, in part, by increased employment of minorities in schools with high proportions of minority clientele. Apparently neither the private sector, nor public schools with few minority students, have as yet responded to these legitimacy claims. By implication, client political pressure seems to be a more significant factor than either general regulatory or judicial mandates as they are expressed in current affirmative action or equal employment opportunity legislation. Generalizations about the "leadership role" of the public sector in increasing minority professional employment are not warranted by available evidence. In the case of education, predominantly non-minority public schools behave much like their private counterparts with respect to the employment of minority teachers.

It is also noteworthy that the proportion of Black students predicts the employment of Black teachers for both public and Catholic schools, but the corresponding relationship for Hispanics was found only in the public sector. While the overall levels of employment of Black teachers in Catholic schools is quite low, Catholic schools have also responded somewhat to our hypothesized client-provider model.

One further result, contrary to our prediction, was the finding that larger schools, independent of sector, hired more Black teachers, but only larger public schools were associated with increased employment of Hispanic teachers. This was true even after controlling for school types (e.g., elementary, secondary) and urban location. Although there is no direct evidence it may be the case that larger schools with "impersonal environments" are responding to a perceived



need to maintain higher levels of social control and therefore employ additional minority teachers.

Two important policy implications emerge from this study. First, there is cause for concern, particularly in the case of public schools, but also for the general educational labor market, that most employment gains for minority teachers have been limited to public schools with high proportions of minority students. The prevailing economic climate for education in combination with the continuous decline in student enrollment in suburban schools suggests that the employment of minority teachers is likely to continue in the present pattern. Furthermore, all of our evidence suggests that general aid has no minority employment impact and that categorical aid has contributed to increased minority employment only in urban, segregated, public schools. The present trend away from categorical aid and toward block grants is likely to dampen the positive employment effects of previous categorical funding.

Finally, the current preoccupation with the "technical" and "efficiency" aspects of teacher selection and training, as represented by a variety of recent national commissions, is likely to ignore the legitimacy and political dimensions of the relationship between teacher and student. Since available evidence shows that urban schools are more segregated today than in 1967 (Orfield, 1982) and that minority interest in education as a profession has sharply dropped, urban schools may be confronted with yet another "crisis of legitimacy" in the near future.

### Notes

- 1. For a detailed summary of the data set, survey instruments, and summary statistics, see: Edward M. Gilliland and Janice Radle, "Characteristics of Public and Private Schools in the San Francisco Bay Area: A Descriptive Report." Institute for Research on Educational Finance and Governance, Stanford, CA. January 1984.
- The six counties represented in the survey of public, Catholic and private schools are: Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara.
- 3. The schools sampled in these six counties exhibit wide variation, encompassing three central cities (Oakland, San Francisco, and San Jose) and numerous suburban towns with wide diversity in the racial, ethnic and socio-economic composition of their inhabitants.
- 4. We are particularly indebted to Edward Haertel for his technical assistance in the preparation of this report and for devising the weighting design used in the regression analyses. Details of the weighting design are available from the Institute for Research on Educational Finance and Governance, Stanford, CA.
- 5. For an excellent discussion of an environmental approach to organizational systems from a sociological perspective, see: John W. Meyer and W. Richard Scott, Organizational Environments: Ritual and Rationality, Beverly Hills, CA: Sage Publications, 1983.



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