

# Assumption Parish Dropout Profile



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### **Family Background Characteristics**

- Low Socioeconomic Status (page 11)
- High Family Mobility
- Low Education Level of Parents
- Large Number of Siblings
- Not Living with Both Natural Parents
- Family Disruption

### **Family Engagement/Commitment to Education**

- Low Education Expectation (page 10)
- Sibling Has Dropped Out
- Low Contact with School
- Lack of Conversation About School

### **Social Attitudes, Values and Behaviors**

- High-Risk Peer Group
- High-Risk Social Behavior
- Highly Active Outside of School

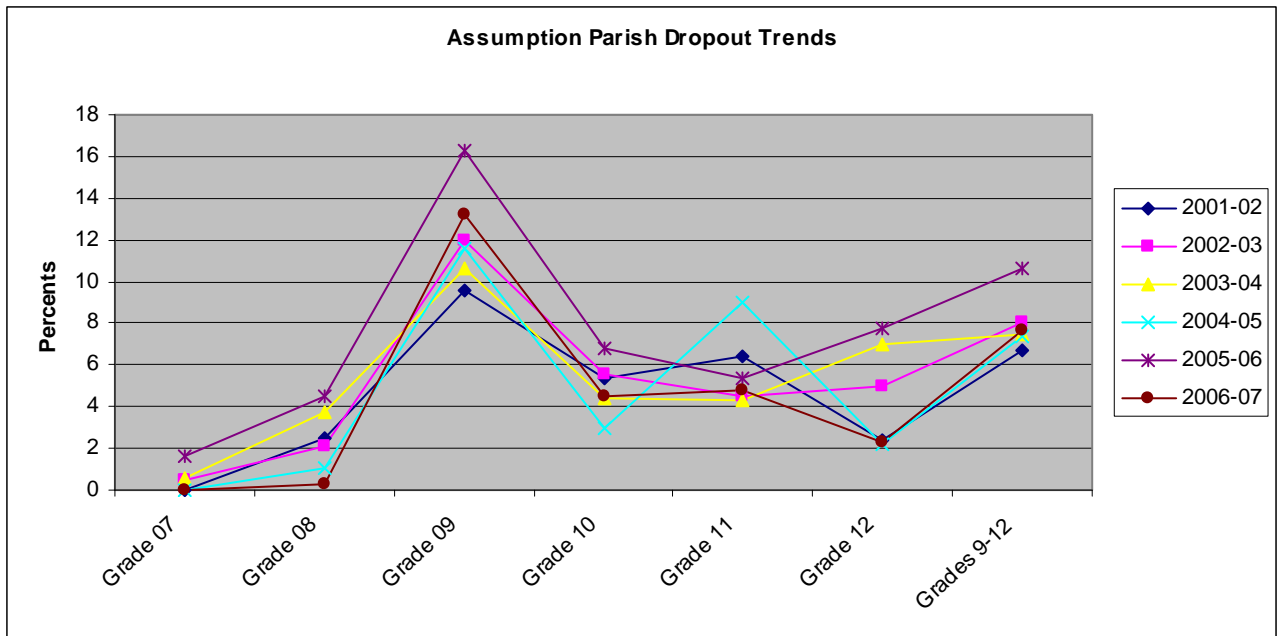
### **Individual Background Characteristics**

- Has a Learning Disability or Emotional Disturbance

Risk Factors were adapted from the National Dropout Prevention Center

### Assumption Parish Dropout Trends (Percentages)

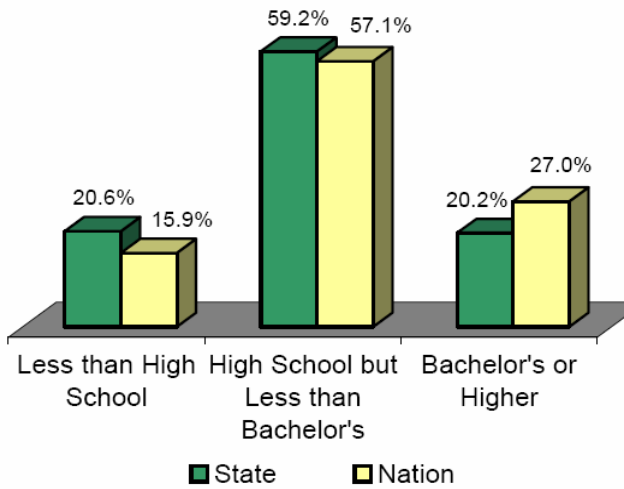
Year	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12	Grades 9-12
2001-02	0	2.5	9.6	5.4	6.4	2.4	6.7
2002-03	0.5	2.1	12	5.6	4.5	5	8
2003-04	0.6	3.7	10.6	4.4	4.3	7	7.5
2004-05	0	1.1	11.6	3	9	2.2	7.4
2005-06	1.6	4.5	16.3	6.8	5.4	7.8	10.6
2006-07	0	0.3	13.2	4.5	4.8	2.3	7.7



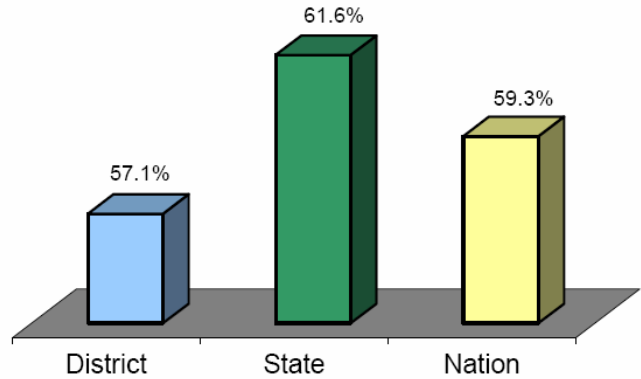
### Louisiana Dropout Trends (Percentages)

	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Grade 7	1.5	1.7	1.4	1.5	2.6	1.6
Grade 8	3.3	3.6	3.4	3.3	4.2	4.2
Grade 9	6.3	7.6	7.7	7.6	7.8	7.8
Grade 10	6.8	6.5	6.6	6.2	6.2	6.2
Grade 11	6.4	6.3	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.4
Grade 12	7.0	7.5	9.0	7.6	7.1	7.1
Louisiana State Total (All Grades)	6.6	7.0	7.4	7.0	6.9	6.9

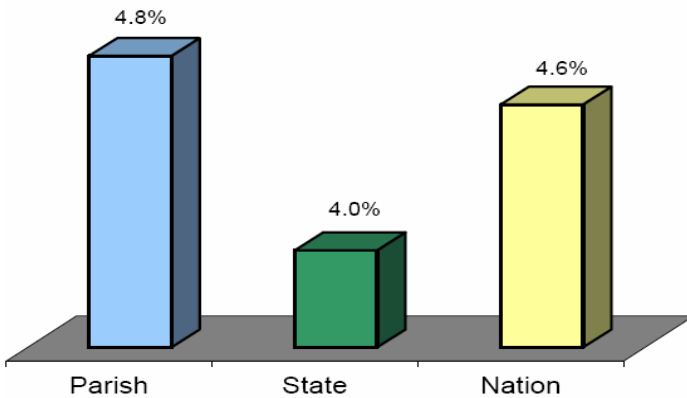
### Educational Attainment at State and National Levels



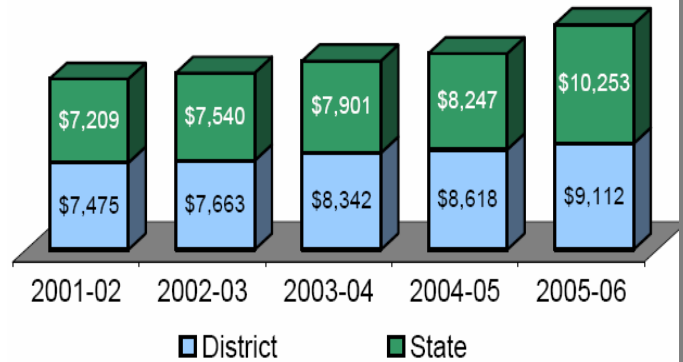
### Student Participation in the Federal Free or Reduced Price Lunch Program



### Unemployment Rate



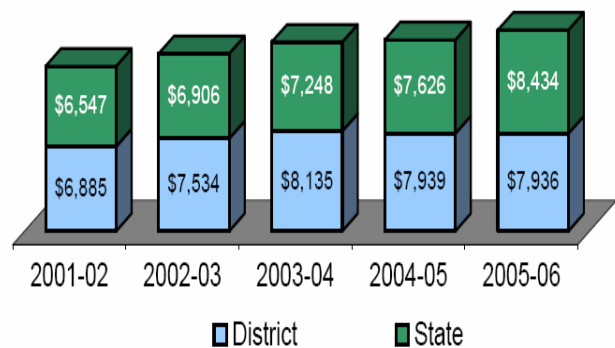
### Revenues Per Pupil (Elementary/Secondary Enrollment)



### Income and Poverty

	Parish	State	Nation
Median Household Income	\$34,781	\$35,216	\$44,334
Persons Below Poverty	19.3%	19.2%	12.7%
Children Below Poverty	28.4%	27.8%	18.3%

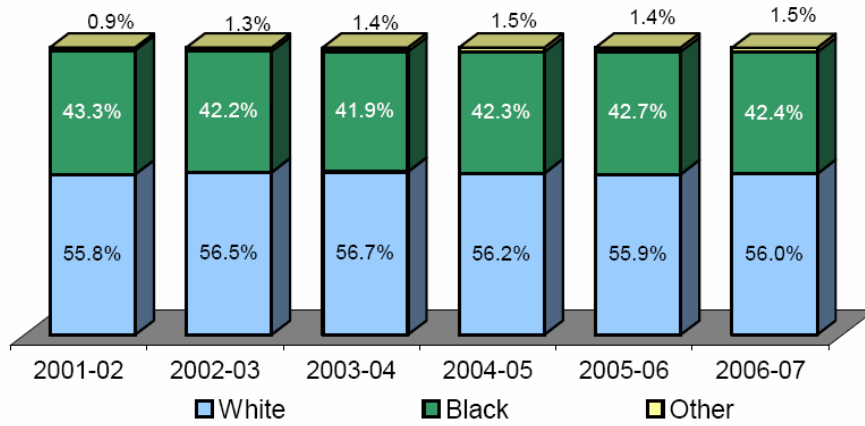
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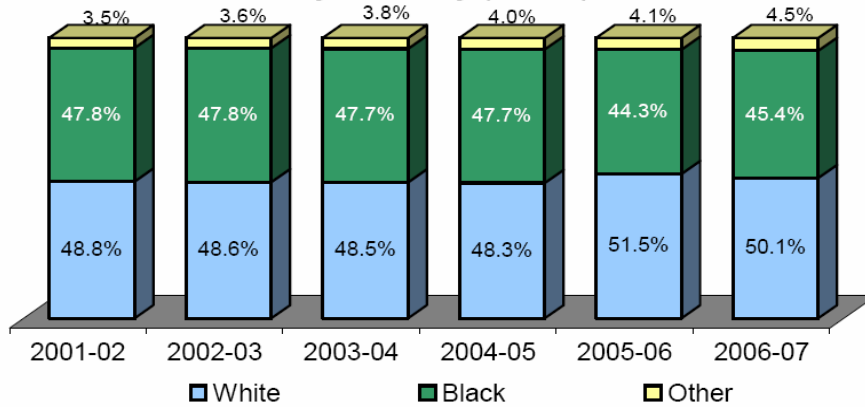
### Teenage Birth and Single Motherhood

	Parish	State	Nation
Teenage Birth Rate	18.4%	14.4%	10.0%
Female Householders	10.8%	16.1%	12.5%

**District's Public Student Population by Ethnicity (PK-12)**

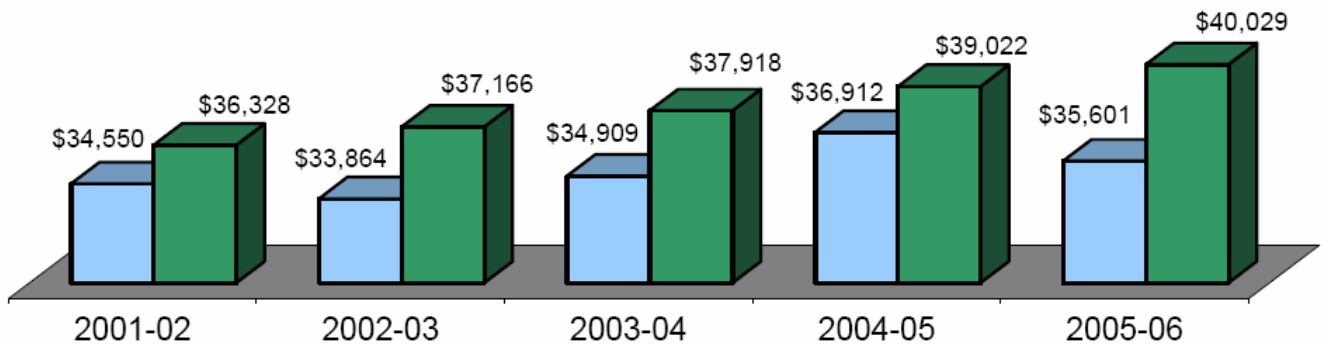


**State's Public Student Population by Ethnicity (PK-12)**



**Risk**

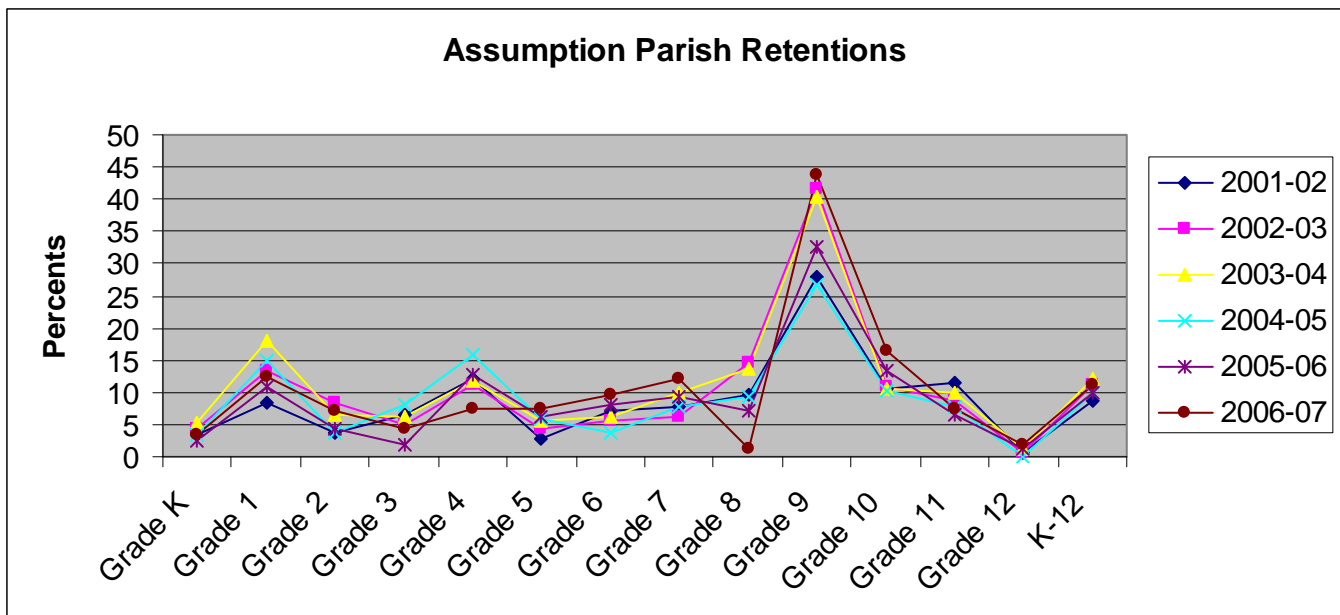
**Average Classroom Teacher Salary**



## Factors: Student Retention

### Assumption Parish Student Retention

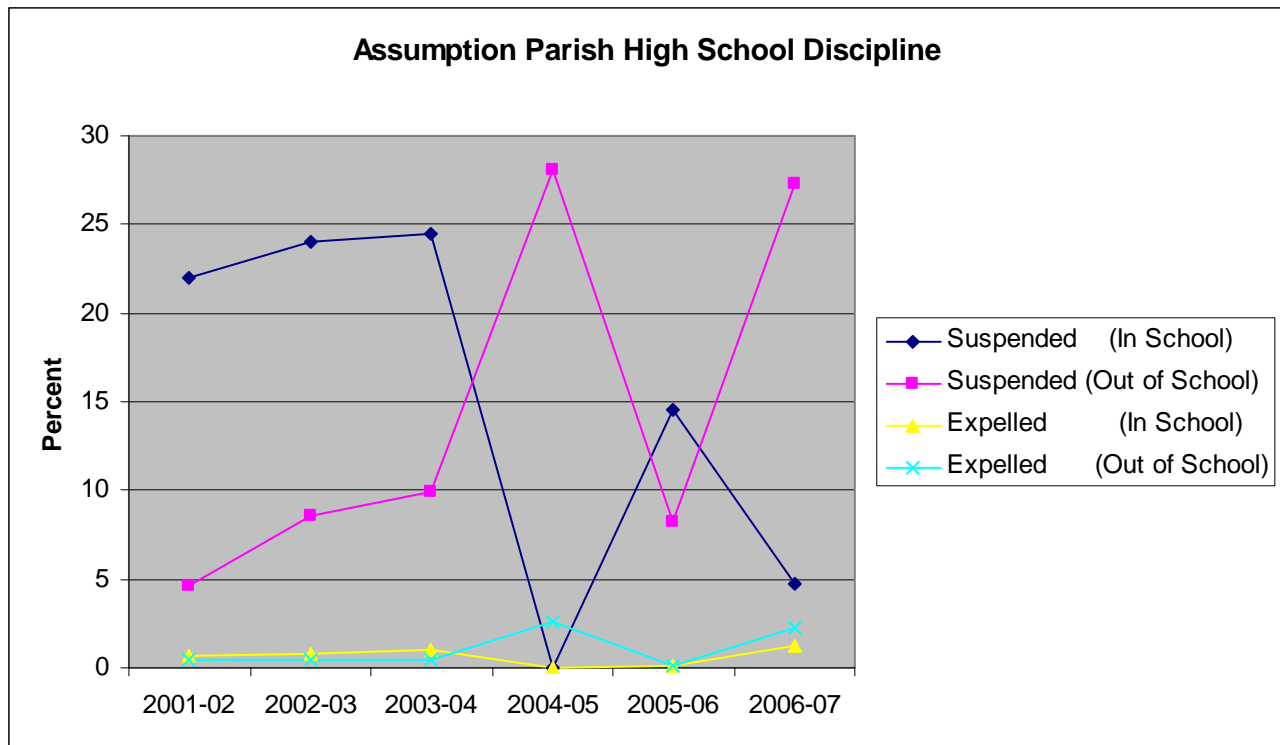
	2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05		2005-06		2006-07	
	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#
Grade K	3.4	12	4.2	13	5.2	15	3.5	10	2.6	7	3.4	10
Grade 1	8.4	28	13.3	48	18.1	59	14.9	50	10.8	34	12.3	37
Grade 2	3.7	14	8.3	26	6.5	21	3.6	10	4.5	13	7	21
Grade 3	6.5	24	5.1	19	6.3	19	8.2	27	2	6	4.5	13
Grade 4	12.2	42	11.3	43	11.9	46	15.8	51	12.6	44	7.3	26
Grade 5	2.9	10	4.2	13	5.7	19	6	21	6.2	18	7.4	24
Grade 6	7	27	5.5	20	6.2	19	3.6	12	8.2	29	9.5	30
Grade 7	7.7	27	6.2	24	9.9	36	7.8	25	9.4	33	12	45
Grade 8	9.6	34	14.6	51	13.6	51	9.3	32	7.1	23	1.3	4
Grade 9	28	93	41.7	166	40.4	149	26.7	109	32.5	123	43.7	166
Grade 10	10.6	28	10.8	24	10.5	24	10.3	22	13.2	35	16.5	45
Grade 11	11.4	27	8.7	18	9.8	19	7.8	16	6.5	12	7.5	17
Grade 12	0.5	1	0.5	1	1.1	2	0	0	1.3	3	2	4
K-12	8.7	367	11.2	466	12	479	9.9	385	9.8	380	11.2	442



## Risk Factor: Student Discipline

### Assumption Parish—High School **Discipline**

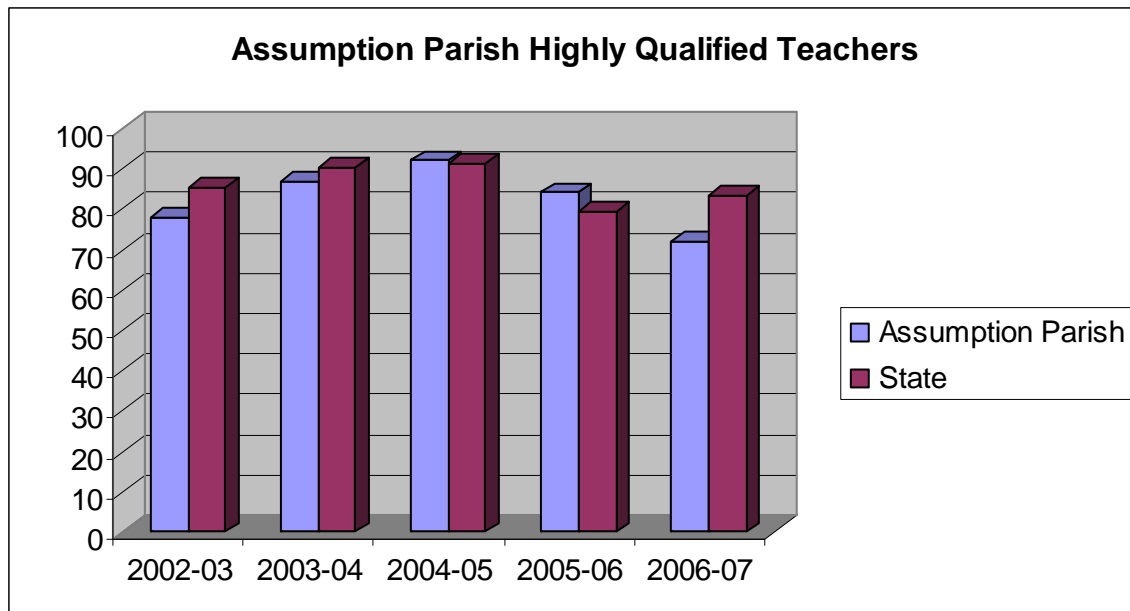
	2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05		2005-06		2006-07	
	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count
Suspended (In School)	21.99	276	24.03	292	24.52	293	0	0	14.59	852	4.75	60
Suspended (Out of School)	4.62	58	8.56	104	9.87	118	28.09	343	8.24	481	27.32	345
Expelled (In School)	0.64	8	0.82	10	1	12	0	0	0.07	4	1.27	16
Expelled (Out of School)	0.4	5	0.49	6	0.5	6	2.62	32	0.1	6	2.3	29



## Teacher Quality

### Highly Qualified Teachers (Percentages)

	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Assumption Parish Core Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	77.9	86.9	92.1	84.2	71.9
Louisiana Core Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	85.6	90.5	91.4	79.6	83.5



## Risk Factor: Student Engagement and Family Background

### Assumption Parish **Dropout Reasons**

	Count	Percent
No Reason Given	103	83.7
Employment	7	5.7
Entered Criminal Justice System	1	.8
Lack of Appropriate Curriculum	1	.6
Reason Unknown	10	8.1
Other	1	.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>100</b>

### Assumption Dropout **Truancy**

	Frequency	Percent
Non-Truant	59	48.0
Truant	64	52.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>100</b>
Louisiana Truant-Dropout Total	5,890	36.0

### Assumption Parish Dropout: **Options Program Participation**

	Count	Percent
Non-Options Participant	83	67.5
Option 3 (GED Program)	40	32.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>100</b>
Louisiana Dropout Option 3 Participants	1,924	11.7

### Assumption Dropout **Homelessness**

	Assumption Counts	Assumption Percent	Louisiana Dropout Counts	Louisiana Dropout Percents
Non-Homeless	98	79.7	15,834	96.6
Hotels/Motels	0	0	8	.0
Shelters	0	0	28	.2
Sharing Housing with Others	23	18.7	412	2.5
Unsheltered/FEMA	1	.8	55	.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>16,383</b>	<b>100</b>

## Risk Factor: Family Characteristics

### Assumption Parish Dropouts by **Gender**

	Count	Percent
Female	53	43.1
Male	70	56.9
Total	123	100

### Louisiana Dropouts by **Gender**

	Count	Percent
Female	6,686	40.8
Male	9,697	59.2
Total	16,383	100

### Assumption Parish Dropout **Poverty**

	Count	Percent
Paid Lunch	48	39.0
Free Lunch	72	58.5
Reduced Lunch	3	2.4
Total	123	100

### Louisiana Dropout **Poverty**

	Count	Percent
Paid Lunch	6,883	42.0
Free Lunch	8,954	54.7
Reduced Lunch	546	3.3
Total	16,383	100

### Assumption Parish Dropouts by **Ethnicity**

	Count	Percent
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	0	0
Asian/Pacific Islander	0	0
African American	70	56.9
Hispanic	2	1.6
Caucasian	51	41.5
Total	123	100

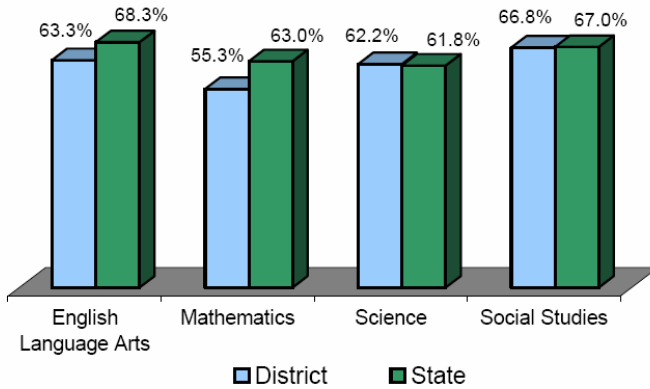
### Louisiana Dropouts by **Ethnicity**

	Count	Percent
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	120	.7
Asian/Pacific Islander	164	1.0
African American	10,439	63.7
Hispanic	452	2.8
Caucasian	5,208	31.8
Total	16,383	100

# Risk Factor: School Performance

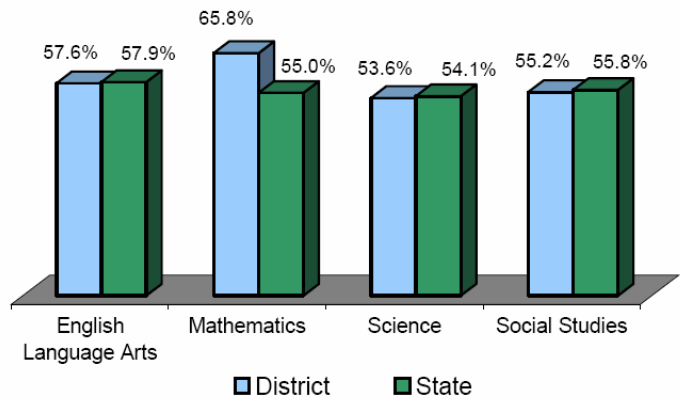
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Percent Scoring at Basic & Above  
(2006-2007)



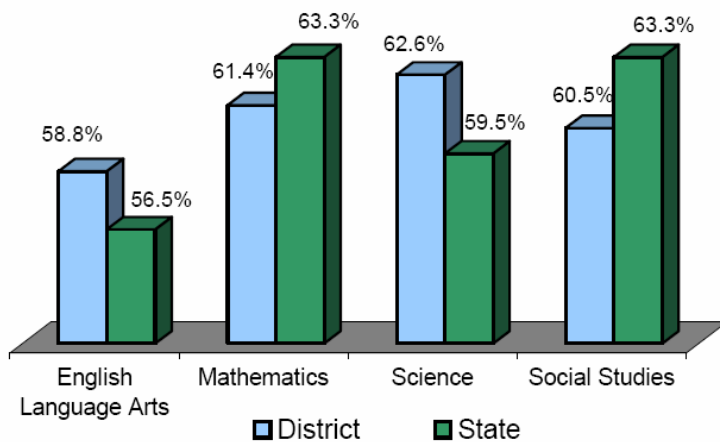
## Grade 8 LEAP Test Results

Percent Scoring at Basic & Above  
(2006-2007)



## GEE Test Results

Percent Scoring at Basic & Above  
(2006-2007)



## District Indicator Results *Student Achievement*

Grade 4 LEAP Test Results													
		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05		2005-06		2006-07	
		Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
<b>District</b>													
<b>English Language Arts</b>													
Advanced	2.1	8	0.8	3	2.8	10	2.0	7	2.6	9	2.5	7	7
Mastery*	11.4	43	10.2	40	17.3	61	22.2	78	10.9	38	17.1	49	49
Basic	33.7	127	44.5	174	36.1	127	44.9	158	41.7	146	43.7	125	125
Approaching Basic	30.5	115	24.8	97	21.6	76	20.7	73	26.3	92	23.1	66	66
Unsatisfactory	22.3	84	19.7	77	22.2	78	10.2	36	18.6	65	13.6	39	39
<b>Mathematics</b>													
Advanced	0.0	0	2.0	8	2.0	7	2.3	8	2.0	7	1.8	5	5
Mastery*	7.2	27	11.0	43	10.5	37	18.5	65	7.7	27	9.8	28	28
Basic	33.7	127	37.1	145	37.5	132	46.6	164	42.9	150	43.7	125	125
Approaching Basic	28.6	108	27.6	108	23.9	84	18.2	64	25.7	90	26.2	75	75
Unsatisfactory	30.5	115	22.3	87	26.1	92	14.5	51	21.7	76	18.5	53	53
<b>Science</b>													
Advanced	1.3	5	1.0	4	1.4	5	2.6	9	2.3	8	2.8	8	8
Mastery*	7.2	27	12.6	49	11.1	39	17.6	62	9.4	33	8.7	25	25
Basic	40.4	152	40.8	159	47.9	168	47.4	167	43.4	152	50.7	145	145
Approaching Basic	34.6	130	35.9	140	28.5	100	29.3	103	32.6	114	30.1	86	86
Unsatisfactory	16.5	62	9.7	38	11.1	39	3.1	11	12.3	43	7.7	22	22
<b>Social Studies</b>													
Advanced	0.3	1	1.3	5	1.1	4	0.3	1	2.0	7	2.5	7	7
Mastery*	2.9	11	7.2	28	13.1	46	11.7	41	10.9	38	13.3	38	38
Basic	43.6	164	47.3	185	41.6	146	57.0	200	47.4	166	51.0	146	146
Approaching Basic	28.2	106	28.1	110	25.1	88	21.7	76	22.6	79	19.6	56	56
Unsatisfactory	25.0	94	16.1	63	19.1	67	9.4	33	17.1	60	13.6	39	39

## District Indicator Results *Student Achievement*

		Grade 8 LEAP Test Results											
		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05		2005-06		2006-07	
		Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
<b>District</b>													
<b>English Language Arts</b>													
	Advanced	0.9	3	0.5	2	0.3	1	0.7	2	1.0	3	2.5	7
	Mastery*	12.9	43	12.9	47	10.3	34	16.2	49	7.3	22	13.1	37
	Basic	35.0	117	41.5	151	43.3	143	40.3	122	49.3	149	42.0	119
	Approaching Basic	37.7	126	31.6	115	34.8	115	29.7	90	36.4	110	35.0	99
	Unsatisfactory	13.5	45	13.5	49	11.2	37	13.2	40	6.0	18	7.4	21
<b>Mathematics</b>													
	Advanced	0.6	2	1.9	7	2.7	9	2.0	6	1.6	5	5.9	17
	Mastery*	2.7	9	6.3	23	6.7	22	8.6	26	2.9	9	7.3	21
	Basic	43.7	146	44.7	163	63.0	208	56.9	173	59.0	184	52.6	151
	Approaching Basic	26.9	90	22.5	82	15.5	51	17.1	52	23.4	73	19.9	57
	Unsatisfactory	26.0	87	24.7	90	12.1	40	15.5	47	13.1	41	14.3	41
<b>Science</b>													
	Advanced	0.0	0	0.8	3	0.9	3	1.3	4	0.0	0	0.7	2
	Mastery*	12.0	40	13.0	47	14.5	48	18.2	55	7.4	22	15.1	42
	Basic	40.5	135	37.6	136	45.8	151	40.3	122	42.5	127	37.8	105
	Approaching Basic	30.0	100	32.9	119	23.6	78	27.1	82	35.8	107	35.6	99
	Unsatisfactory	17.4	58	15.7	57	15.2	50	13.2	40	14.4	43	10.8	30
<b>Social Studies</b>													
	Advanced	0.3	1	0.3	1	0.3	1	1.3	4	0.3	1	1.1	3
	Mastery*	6.3	21	6.9	25	6.4	21	11.6	35	3.7	11	7.9	22
	Basic	45.5	151	41.4	150	50.0	165	47.2	143	48.8	146	46.2	129
	Approaching Basic	28.3	94	35.9	130	27.0	89	21.5	65	32.1	96	30.1	84
	Unsatisfactory	19.6	65	15.5	56	16.4	54	18.5	56	15.1	45	14.7	41

## District Indicator Results *Student Achievement*

Graduation Exit Examination (GEE) Results													
		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05		2005-06		2006-07	
		Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
<b>District</b>													
<b>English Language Arts</b>													
	Advanced	0.9	2	0.4	1	2.3	5	1.2	3	0.4	1	0.0	0
	Mastery*	9.3	21	8.7	20	17.6	38	15.9	41	12.7	33	9.0	19
	Basic	48.9	111	54.6	125	49.5	107	55.4	143	57.1	148	49.8	105
	Approaching Basic	27.8	63	26.6	61	22.2	48	22.1	57	19.7	51	31.3	66
	Unsatisfactory	13.2	30	9.6	22	8.3	18	5.4	14	10.0	26	10.0	21
<b>Mathematics</b>													
	Advanced	7.0	16	6.6	15	8.3	18	8.1	21	6.2	16	5.2	11
	Mastery*	14.1	32	20.5	47	16.7	36	18.6	48	19.7	51	14.2	30
	Basic	37.9	86	39.3	90	44.9	97	42.6	110	44.0	114	42.0	89
	Approaching Basic	19.4	44	17.9	41	16.2	35	14.0	36	17.4	45	21.7	46
	Unsatisfactory	21.6	49	15.7	36	13.9	30	16.7	43	12.7	33	17.0	36
<b>Science</b>													
	Advanced	0.9	2	1.5	3	1.9	4	1.1	2	1.7	4	1.7	4
	Mastery*	10.7	23	9.2	18	14.6	30	18.9	34	8.1	19	12.8	30
	Basic	30.2	65	44.4	87	48.5	100	44.4	80	42.8	101	48.1	113
	Approaching Basic	29.8	64	30.1	59	28.2	58	27.2	49	30.9	73	23.8	56
	Unsatisfactory	28.4	61	14.8	29	6.8	14	8.3	15	16.5	39	13.6	32
<b>Social Studies</b>													
	Advanced	0.0	0	1.0	2	0.5	1	0.6	1	0.0	0	0.0	0
	Mastery*	3.7	8	5.1	10	5.8	12	10.6	19	3.4	8	4.3	10
	Basic	32.1	69	48.5	95	55.3	114	55.6	100	54.5	128	56.2	132
	Approaching Basic	28.4	61	25.0	49	29.1	60	21.1	38	26.0	61	25.5	60
	Unsatisfactory	35.8	77	20.4	40	9.2	19	12.2	22	16.2	38	14.0	33