

# Bossier Parish Dropout Profile



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

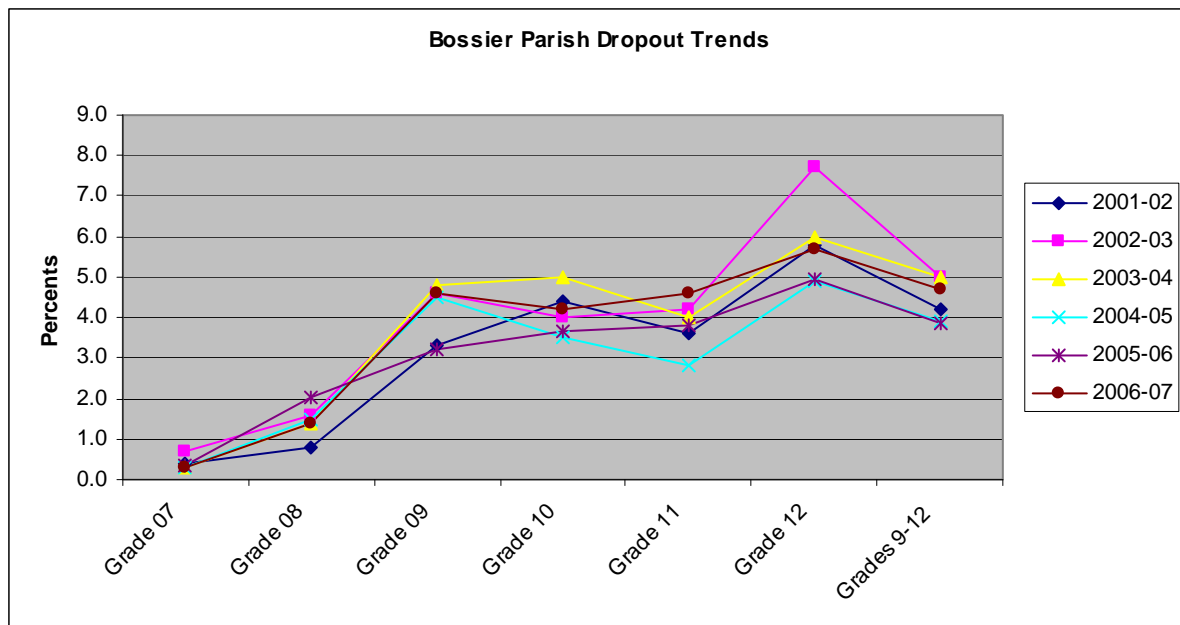
- High-Risk Peer Group
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- Highly Active Outside of School

### **Individual Background Characteristics**

- Has a Learning Disability or Emotional Disturbance

### Bossier Parish Dropout Trends (Percentages)

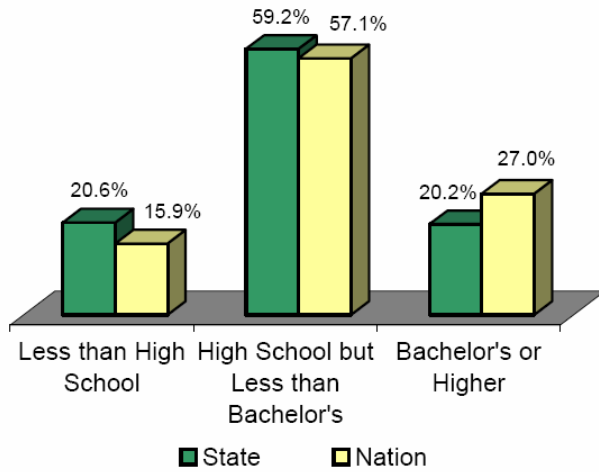
Year	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12	Grades 9-12
2001-02	0.4	0.8	3.3	4.4	3.6	5.8	4.2
2002-03	0.7	1.6	4.6	4.0	4.2	7.7	5.0
2003-04	0.3	1.4	4.8	5.0	4.0	6.0	5.0
2004-05	0.3	1.5	4.5	3.5	2.8	4.9	3.9
2005-06	0.4	2.0	3.2	3.7	3.8	5.0	3.9
2006-07	0.3	1.4	4.6	4.2	4.6	5.7	4.7



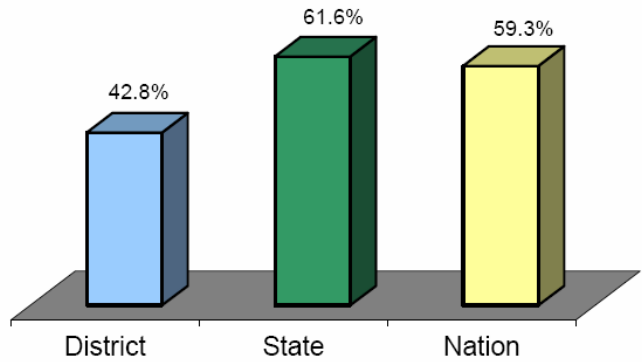
### Louisiana Dropout Trends (Percentages)

	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

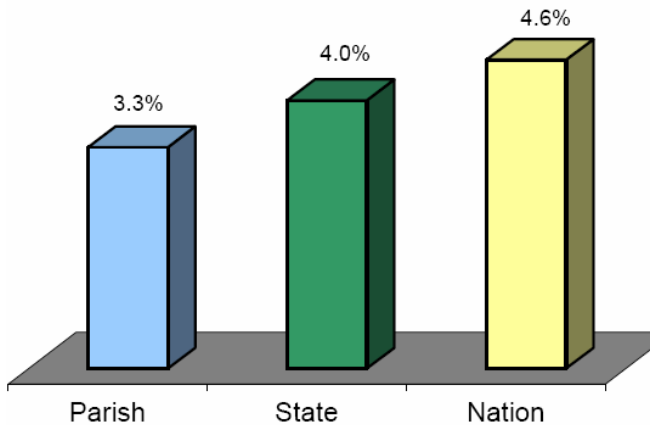
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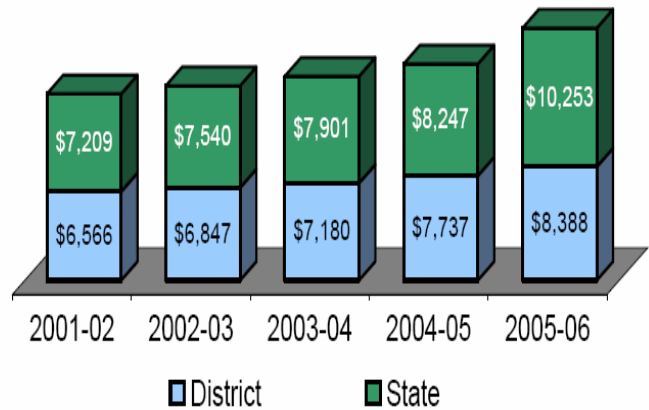
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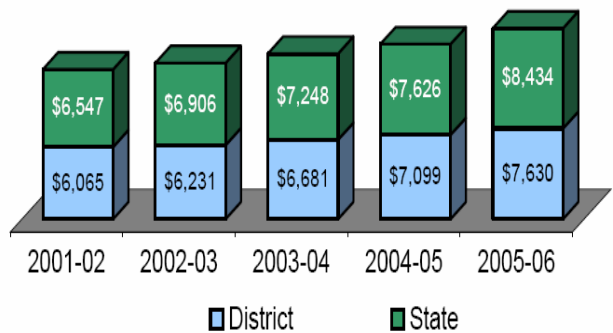
**Revenues Per Pupil (Elementary/Secondary Enrollment)**



**Income and Poverty**

	Parish	State	Nation
Median Household Income	\$42,141	\$35,216	\$44,334
Persons Below Poverty	14.4%	19.2%	12.7%
Children Below Poverty	19.0%	27.8%	18.3%

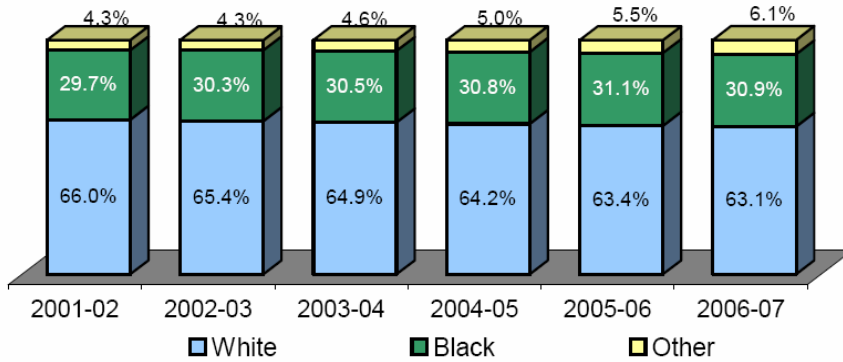
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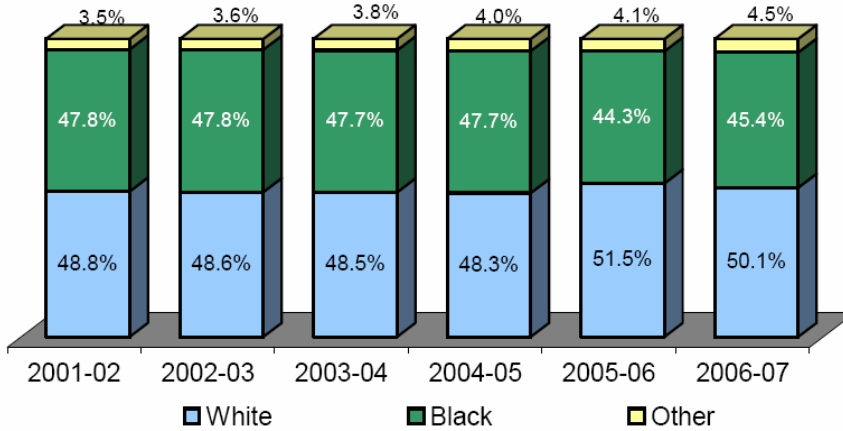
**Teenage Birth and Single Motherhood**

	Parish	State	Nation
Teenage Birth Rate	12.4%	14.4%	10.0%
Female Householders	6.4%	16.1%	12.5%

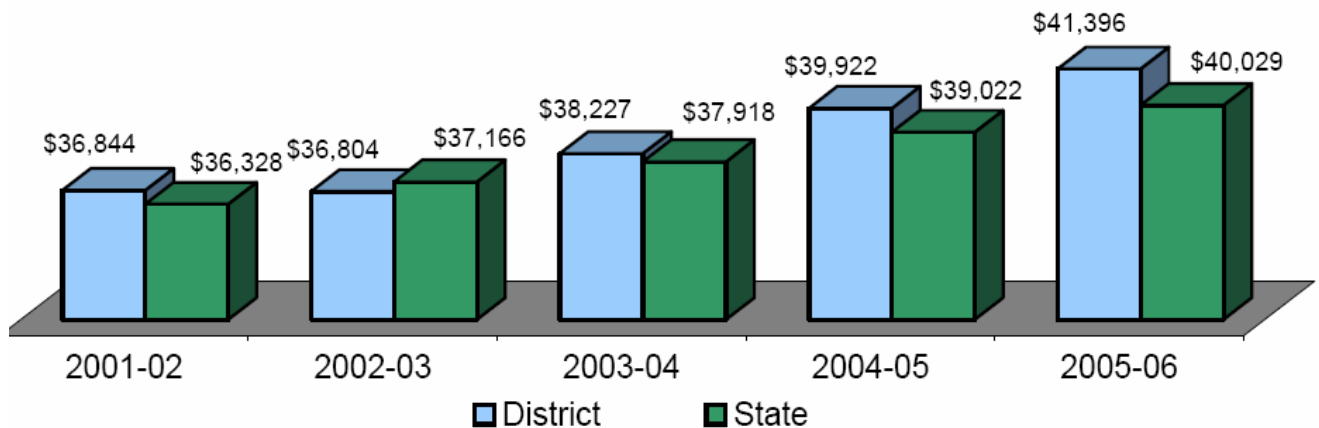
**District's Public Student Population by Ethnicity (PK-12)**



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



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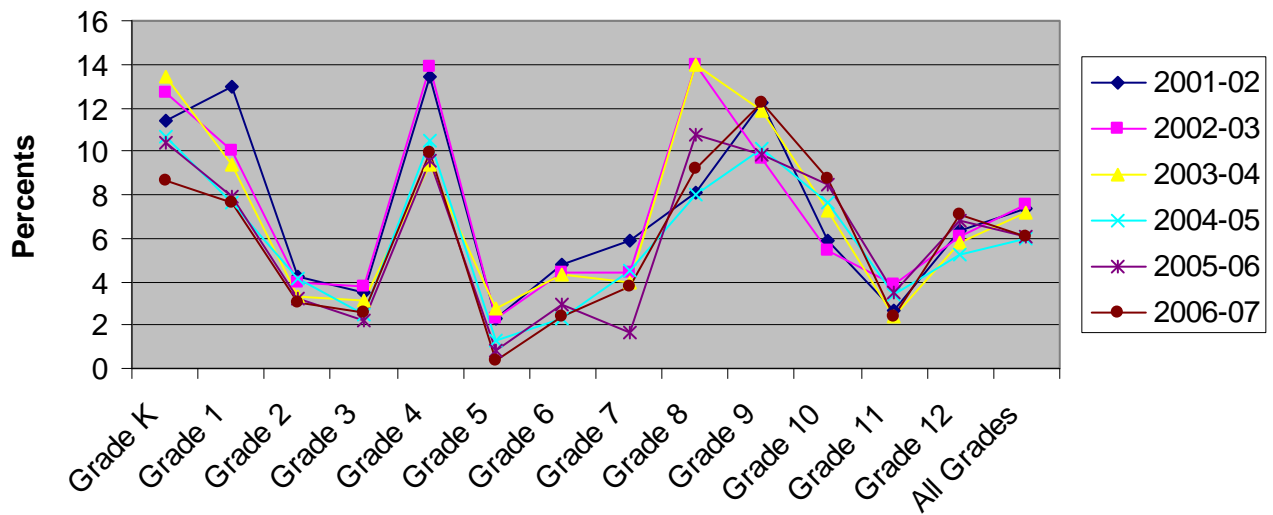


# Risk Factors: Student Retention

## Bossier Parish Student Retention

	2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05		2005-06		2006-07	
	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#
Grade K	11.4	156	12.7	186	13.4	202	10.7	158	10.4	163	8.6	142
Grade 1	13	188	10	144	9.4	137	7.6	111	7.9	116	7.6	122
Grade 2	4.2	57	4	53	3.3	44	4.1	56	3.2	46	3	43
Grade 3	3.5	50	3.8	51	3.1	41	2.5	34	2.2	30	2.6	38
Grade 4	13.4	208	13.9	208	9.4	133	10.5	146	9.6	142	9.9	151
Grade 5	2.3	30	2.3	32	2.8	41	1.3	17	0.8	10	0.4	5
Grade 6	4.8	65	4.4	59	4.3	64	2.3	34	2.9	41	2.4	33
Grade 7	5.9	88	4.4	61	4	55	4.5	66	1.7	26	3.8	54
Grade 8	8.1	123	14	219	14	210	8	116	10.8	160	9.2	147
Grade 9	12.2	168	9.7	127	11.9	158	10.1	128	9.8	127	12.2	165
Grade 10	5.9	73	5.4	66	7.3	90	7.6	94	8.5	103	8.7	106
Grade 11	2.7	29	3.9	44	2.4	27	3.4	38	3.5	41	2.4	27
Grade 12	6.3	66	6.1	62	5.8	62	5.2	57	6.8	74	7.1	81
All Grades	7.4	1,301	7.5	1,312	7.2	1,264	6	1,055	6.1	1,079	6.1	1,114

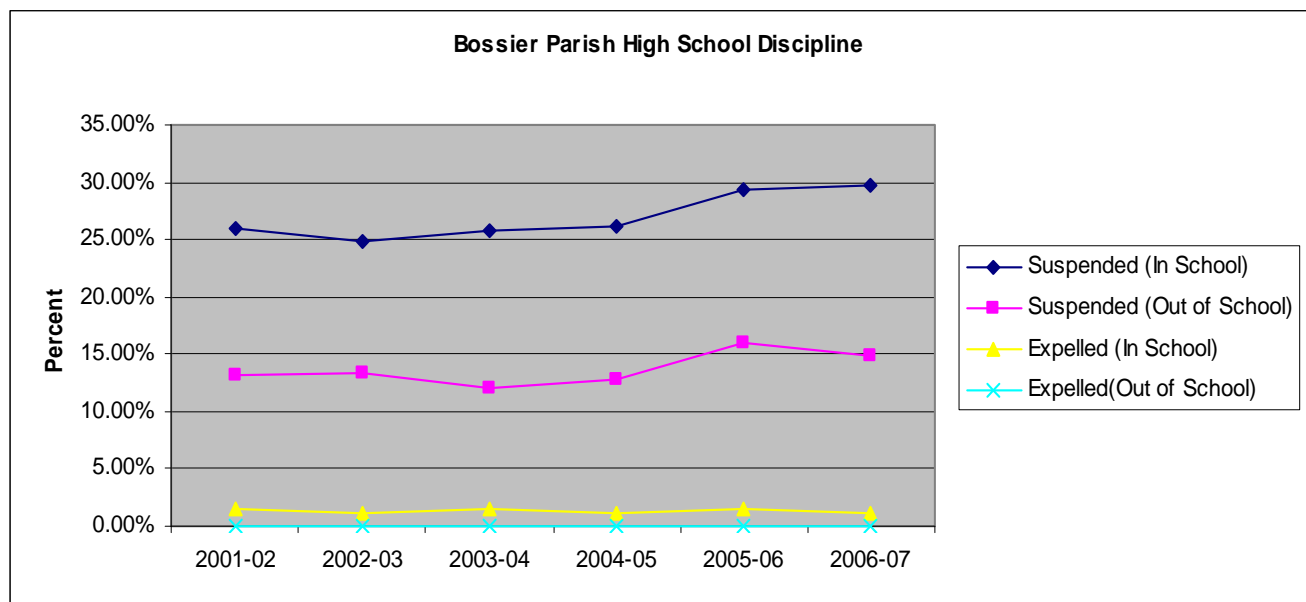
**Bossier Parish Retentions**



## Risk Factor: Student Discipline

### Bossier Parish—High School **Discipline**

School Year	% Suspension (In-School)	# Suspension (In-School)	% Suspension (Out-of-School)	# Suspension (Out-of-School)	% Expulsion (In-School)	# Expulsion (In-School)	% Expulsion (Out-of-School)	# Expulsion (Out-of-School)
2001-02	26	1,422	13.18	721	1.46	80	0	0
2002-03	24.81	1,376	13.32	739	1.10	61	0	0
2003-04	25.77	1,413	12.06	661	1.50	82	0	0
2004-05	26.09	1,413	12.72	689	1.14	62	0	0
2005-06	29.31	1,716	16.02	938	1.57	92	0	0
2006-07	29.64	1,647	14.85	825	1.13	63	0	0

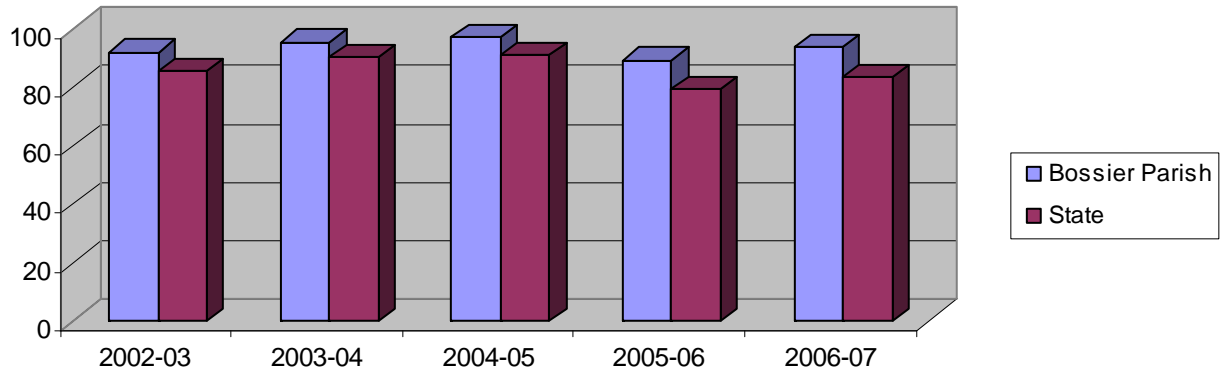


# Teacher Quality

## Highly Qualified Teachers (Percentages)

	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Bossier Parish Core Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	92.2	95.7	97.3	89.4	93.9
Louisiana Core Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	85.6	90.5	91.4	79.6	83.5

**Bossier Parish Highly Qualified Teachers**



## Risk Factor: Student Engagement and Family Background

### Bossier Parish **Dropout Reasons**

	Count	Percent
No Reason Given	358	89.1
Dislike of School Experience	7	1.7
Employment	13	3.2
Entered Criminal Justice System	5	1.2
Lack of Appropriate Curriculum	2	.5
Lack of Childcare	3	.7
Military	1	.2
Pregnancy	1	.2
Substance Abuse	1	.2
Other	11	2.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>100</b>

### Bossier Dropout **Truancy**

	Frequency	Percent
Non-Truant	282	70.1
Truant	120	29.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>100</b>
Louisiana Truant-Dropout Total	5,890	36.0

### Bossier Parish Dropout: **Options Program Participants**

	Count	Percent
Non-Options Participant	339	84.3
Option 3 (GED Program)	56	13.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Louisiana Dropout Option 3 Participants	1924	11.7

### Bossier Dropout **Homelessness**

	Bossier Counts	Bossier Percent	Louisiana Dropout Counts	Louisiana Dropout Percents
Non-Homeless	394	98.0	15,834	96.6
Hotels/Motels	0	0	8	.0
Shelters	1	.2	28	.2
Sharing Housing with Others	7	1.7	412	2.5
Unsheltered/FEMA	0	0	55	.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>16,383</b>	<b>100</b>

## Risk Factor: Family Characteristics

### Bossier Parish Dropouts by **Gender**

	Count	Percent
Female	159	39.6
Male	243	60.4
Total	402	100

### Louisiana Dropouts by **Gender**

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

### Bossier Parish Dropout **Poverty**

	Count	Percent
Paid Lunch	163	40.5
Free Lunch	223	55.5
Reduced Lunch	16	4.0
Total	402	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

### Bossier Parish Dropouts by **Ethnicity**

	Count	Percent
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	0	0
Asian/Pacific Islander	2	.5
African American	194	48.3
Hispanic	7	1.7
Caucasian	199	49.5
Total	402	100

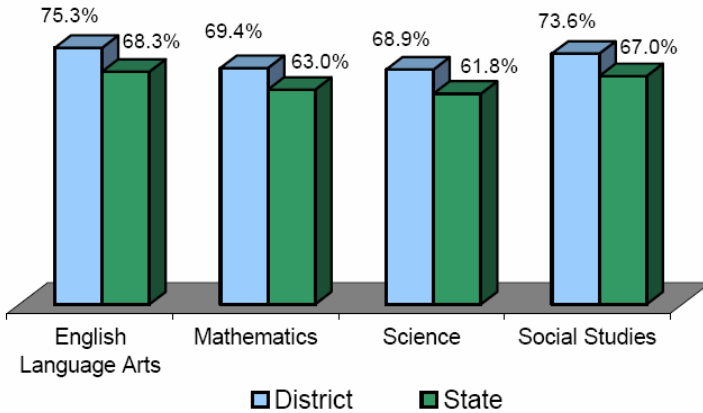
### Louisiana Dropouts by **Ethnicity**

	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

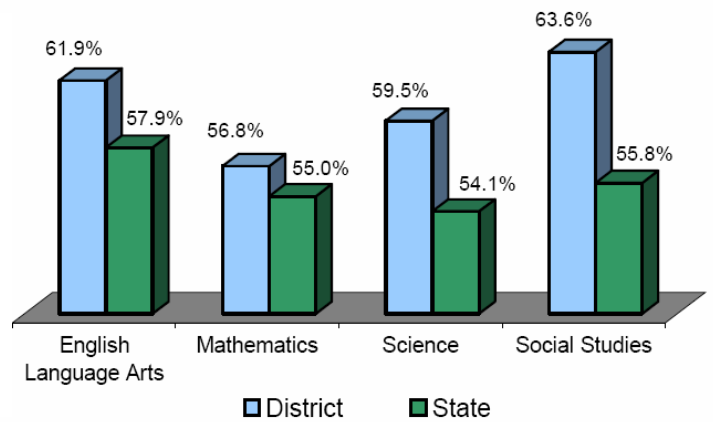
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Percent Scoring at Basic & Above  
(2006-2007)



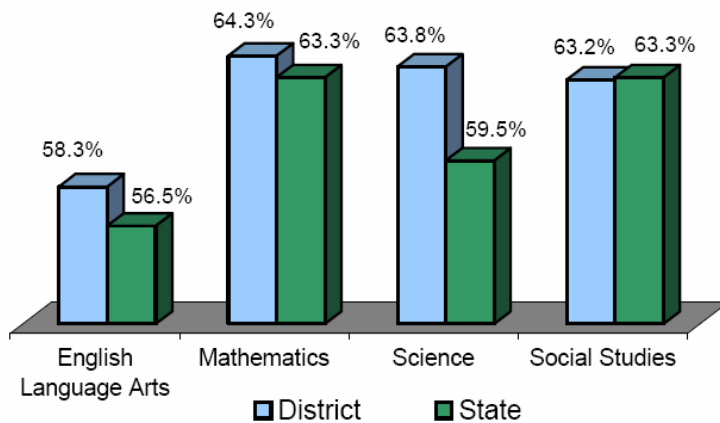
### Grade 8 LEAP Test Results

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	5.9	90	1.2	18	3.7	54	3.6	55	4.7	72	3.7	57
	Mastery*	24.0	368	18.6	273	25.2	366	24.3	368	20.3	309	24.0	375
	Basic	40.8	626	47.8	701	41.9	609	48.5	734	50.6	770	47.6	744
	Approaching Basic	22.8	350	23.1	338	17.6	256	16.4	248	15.1	230	15.9	248
	Unsatisfactory	6.5	100	9.3	136	11.5	167	7.1	108	9.3	142	8.9	139
<b>Mathematics</b>													
	Advanced	3.1	47	4.2	61	2.5	37	3.8	57	4.9	74	4.1	64
	Mastery*	13.4	206	19.1	280	18.0	261	17.4	263	24.7	376	14.8	231
	Basic	45.2	694	47.6	699	44.6	647	50.1	758	43.5	663	50.5	790
	Approaching Basic	24.0	368	18.3	268	20.4	296	18.1	273	16.3	249	20.5	320
	Unsatisfactory	14.3	219	10.8	159	14.5	211	10.6	161	10.6	161	10.1	158
<b>Science</b>													
	Advanced	5.4	83	2.5	37	2.3	33	5.2	79	4.1	63	3.1	49
	Mastery*	13.2	202	16.7	245	19.8	288	17.2	260	17.6	267	16.9	264
	Basic	49.1	752	42.6	624	45.4	659	50.6	766	48.7	741	48.9	764
	Approaching Basic	24.7	378	30.6	448	24.2	352	22.8	345	22.0	334	23.9	374
	Unsatisfactory	7.7	118	7.6	111	8.3	120	4.2	63	7.6	116	7.1	111
<b>Social Studies</b>													
	Advanced	2.3	36	2.7	39	2.3	34	1.2	18	2.7	41	3.5	54
	Mastery*	10.2	157	15.6	229	16.3	236	11.2	169	18.1	276	15.1	236
	Basic	51.0	782	50.2	736	46.7	678	55.3	837	52.9	804	55.0	859
	Approaching Basic	24.5	376	22.3	327	20.7	300	22.7	343	16.1	245	17.1	267
	Unsatisfactory	11.8	181	9.2	135	14.0	204	9.6	146	10.2	155	9.3	145

## 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	2.9	42	1.4	20	1.2	17	1.6	23	1.9	29	1.6	24
Mastery*	21.6	311	17.6	256	10.9	153	15.3	222	11.1	170	14.8	219
Basic	35.5	510	39.3	573	43.9	618	44.0	637	46.6	716	45.5	672
Approaching Basic	33.1	476	32.3	471	34.1	480	29.8	432	33.0	507	31.8	470
Unsatisfactory	6.9	99	9.5	138	9.9	140	9.3	134	7.4	113	6.3	93
<b>Mathematics</b>												
Advanced	2.0	29	3.8	56	2.8	40	2.9	42	1.7	27	4.7	69
Mastery*	4.6	66	5.6	82	7.5	105	5.7	82	3.7	59	5.2	76
Basic	48.3	694	47.8	697	55.4	780	51.2	741	52.8	849	46.9	692
Approaching Basic	26.9	386	22.9	333	19.3	272	22.1	320	22.7	365	26.4	390
Unsatisfactory	18.2	262	19.8	289	15.0	211	18.2	263	19.2	309	16.9	250
<b>Science</b>												
Advanced	1.3	19	1.8	26	1.7	24	2.5	36	2.4	36	1.6	23
Mastery*	23.1	332	16.7	243	19.6	276	16.7	242	12.5	190	16.1	237
Basic	40.1	576	36.9	538	38.3	539	41.1	594	41.8	637	41.8	616
Approaching Basic	24.2	348	30.5	444	26.3	371	28.5	412	31.5	480	28.8	424
Unsatisfactory	11.2	161	14.1	206	14.1	198	11.3	163	11.9	181	11.7	173
<b>Social Studies</b>												
Advanced	1.7	24	1.4	20	1.6	23	2.1	30	1.1	17	1.4	21
Mastery*	13.3	191	10.4	151	12.4	175	14.3	207	10.5	160	14.4	212
Basic	50.8	729	43.5	633	49.1	691	49.8	720	50.0	762	47.8	703
Approaching Basic	20.5	294	28.7	418	23.3	328	19.2	277	23.0	351	22.1	325
Unsatisfactory	13.7	197	16.0	233	13.6	191	14.7	212	15.4	234	14.3	210

## 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		2.1	27	0.3	4	2.3	30	1.5	19	0.7	9	0.6	7
Mastery*		17.2	222	10.3	132	18.0	235	16.7	208	12.0	149	8.3	105
Basic		43.6	562	43.9	565	45.9	600	44.1	550	54.2	673	49.4	623
Approaching Basic		22.5	290	25.5	328	20.7	270	25.0	312	21.4	266	25.8	325
Unsatisfactory		14.7	189	20.0	257	13.1	171	12.7	158	11.6	144	16.0	202
<b>Mathematics</b>													
Advanced		7.0	91	6.6	85	8.1	106	5.5	69	6.5	81	5.9	74
Mastery*		15.1	196	16.7	215	16.6	216	17.2	214	18.4	228	16.4	207
Basic		38.9	503	41.4	534	39.4	512	42.4	529	45.5	563	42.0	531
Approaching Basic		16.9	219	14.2	183	15.9	207	15.1	188	14.7	182	16.9	213
Unsatisfactory		22.0	285	21.1	272	20.0	260	19.8	247	14.9	184	18.8	238
<b>Science</b>													
Advanced		2.9	34	2.0	24	2.7	29	5.1	57	2.0	23	2.5	28
Mastery*		19.6	227	13.9	164	17.5	186	17.5	196	10.5	120	16.1	178
Basic		37.2	431	41.2	488	44.7	474	43.4	487	41.9	477	45.2	500
Approaching Basic		20.2	234	25.5	302	23.9	254	24.4	274	30.7	349	22.1	244
Unsatisfactory		20.1	233	17.4	206	11.1	118	9.5	107	14.9	169	14.1	156
<b>Social Studies</b>													
Advanced		0.9	11	1.4	16	0.8	9	1.2	13	0.3	3	0.6	7
Mastery*		9.3	108	11.2	133	10.6	112	8.9	100	5.9	67	6.6	73
Basic		48.4	561	49.4	585	56.8	601	58.0	650	55.7	634	56.0	619
Approaching Basic		20.4	237	21.1	250	21.3	226	21.2	238	23.4	266	22.5	249
Unsatisfactory		20.9	242	16.9	200	10.5	111	10.7	120	14.8	169	14.3	158