

# Calcasieu Parish Dropout Profile



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

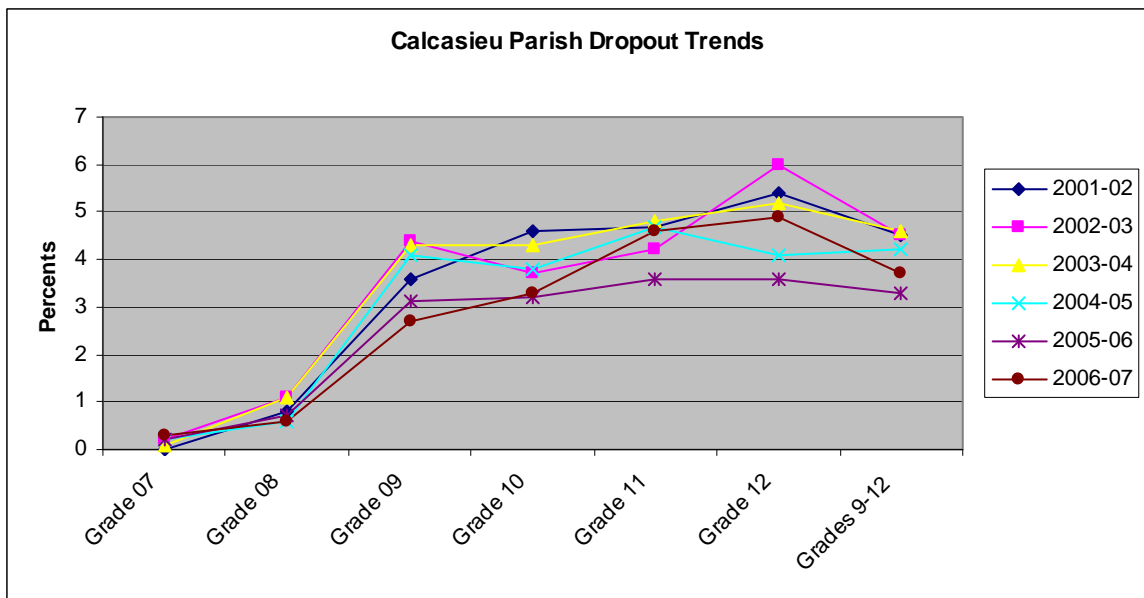
- High-Risk Peer Group
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- Highly Active Outside of School

### **Individual Background Characteristics**

- Has a Learning Disability or Emotional Disturbance

## Calcasieu Parish Dropout Trends (Percentages)

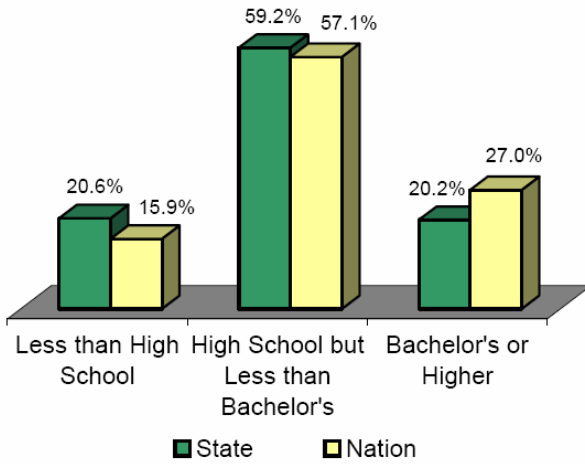
Year	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12	Grades 9-12
2001-02	0	0.8	3.6	4.6	4.7	5.4	4.5
2002-03	0.2	1.1	4.4	3.7	4.2	6	4.5
2003-04	0.1	1.1	4.3	4.3	4.8	5.2	4.6
2004-05	0.2	0.6	4.1	3.8	4.7	4.1	4.2
2005-06	0.2	0.7	3.1	3.2	3.6	3.6	3.3
2006-07	0.3	0.6	2.7	3.3	4.6	4.9	3.7



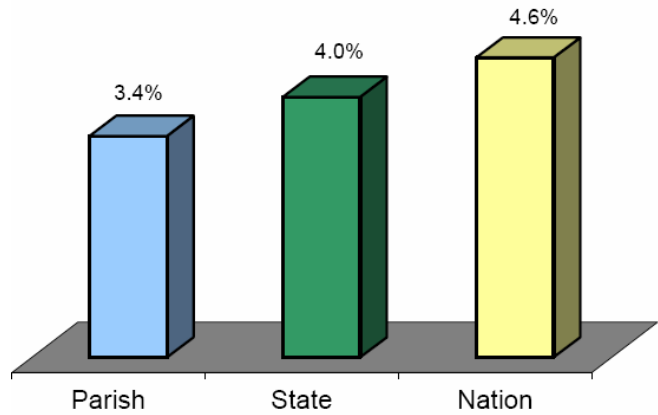
## Louisiana Dropout Trends (Percentages)

	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

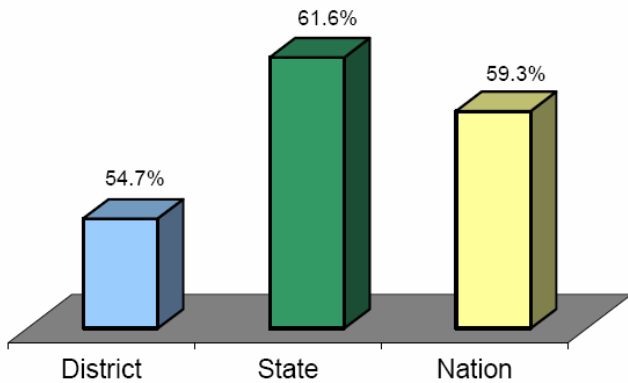
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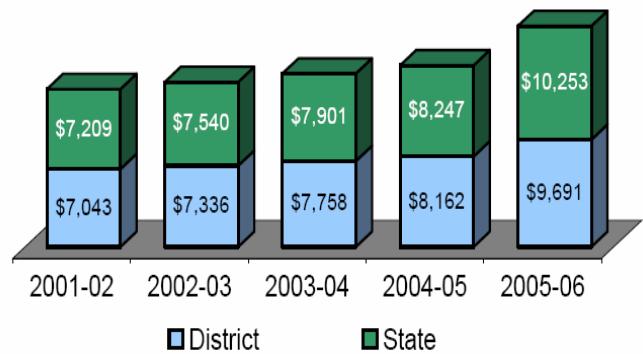
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**Student Participation in the Federal Free or Reduced Price Lunch Program**



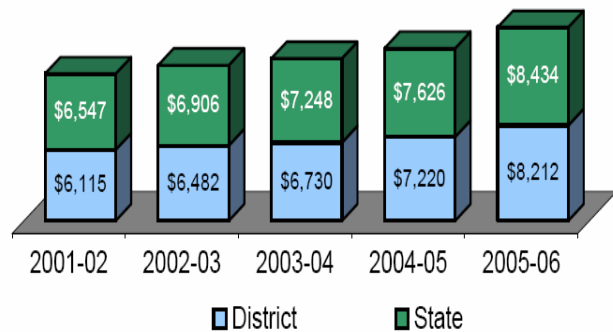
**Revenues Per Pupil (Elementary/Secondary Enrollment)**



**Income and Poverty**

	Parish	State	Nation
Median Household Income	\$36,772	\$35,216	\$44,334
Persons Below Poverty	17.4%	19.2%	12.7%
Children Below Poverty	19.9%	27.8%	18.3%

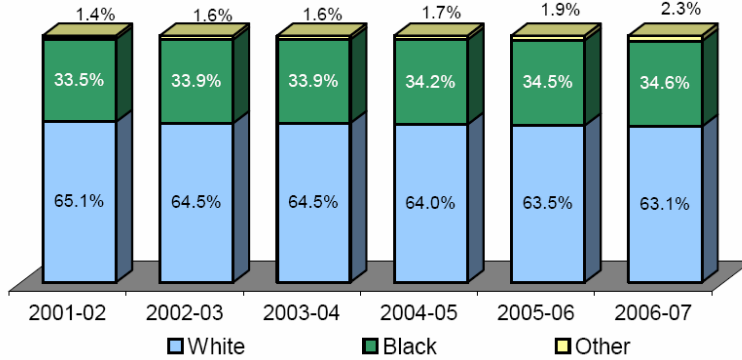
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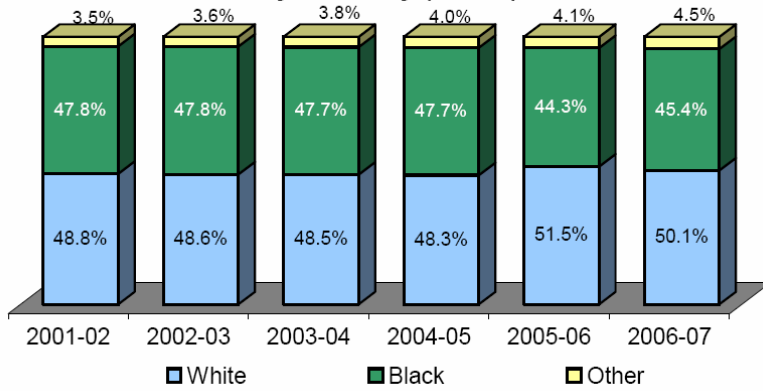
**Teenage Birth and Single Motherhood**

	Parish	State	Nation
Teenage Birth Rate	14.4%	14.4%	10.0%
Female Householders	7.4%	16.1%	12.5%

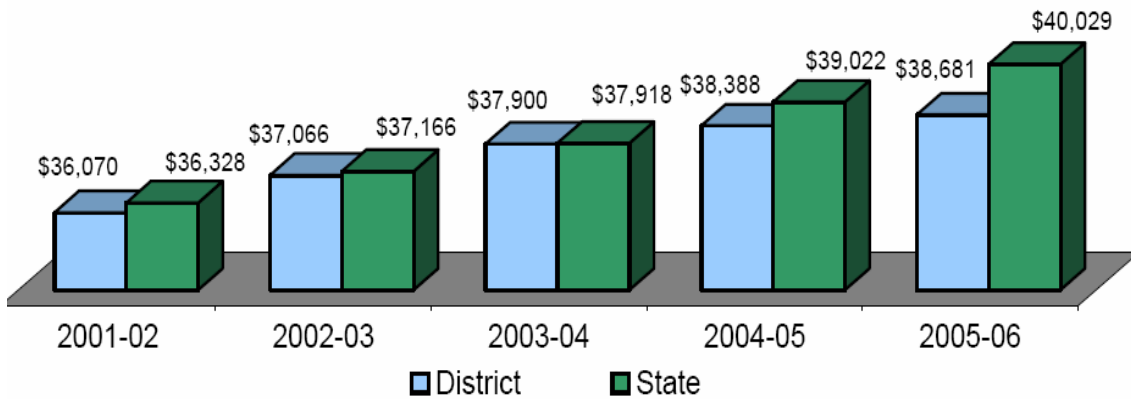
**District's Public Student Population by Ethnicity (PK-12)**



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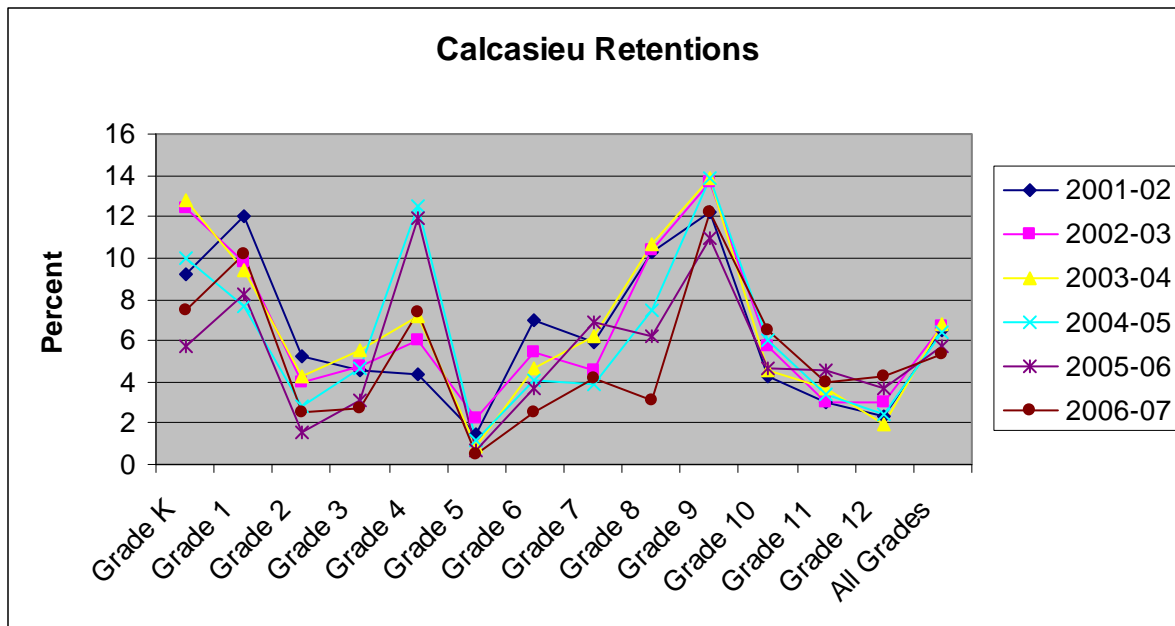
**Average Classroom Teacher Salary**



# Risk Factors: Student Retention

## Calcasieu Parish Student Retention

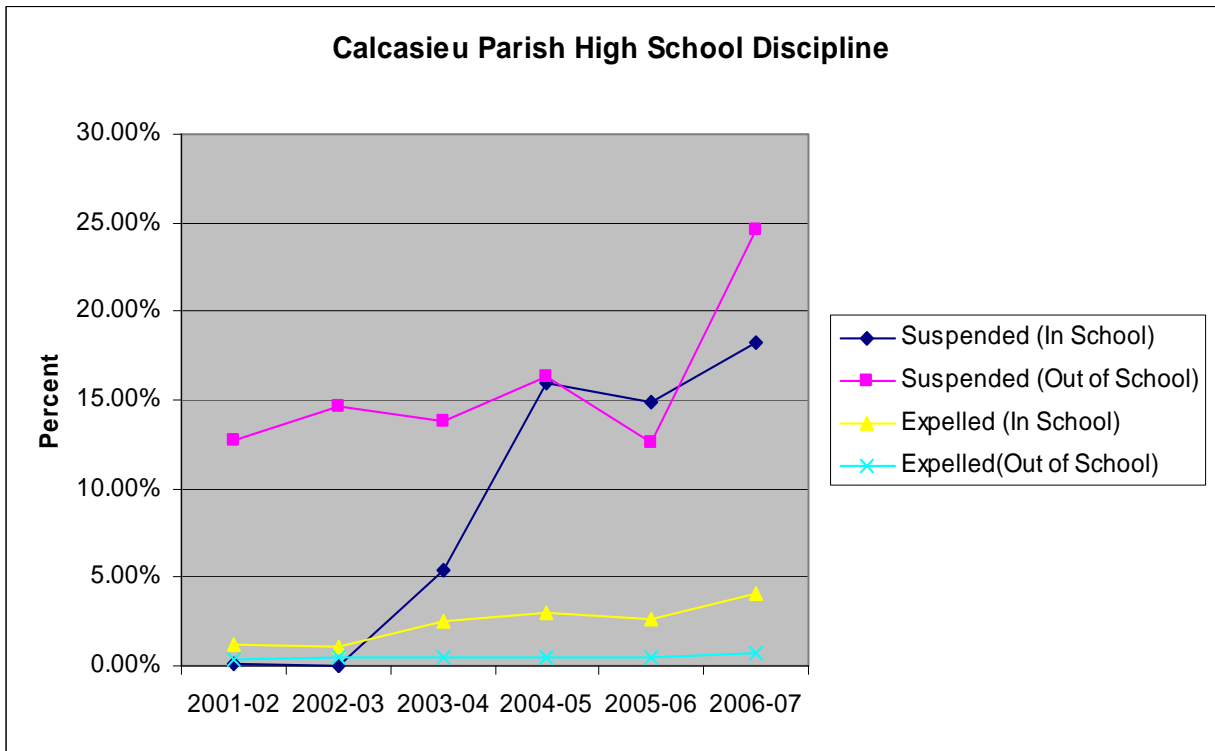
	2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05		2005-06		2006-07	
	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#
Grade K	9.2	218	12.4	297	12.8	320	10	253	5.7	152	7.5	198
Grade 1	12	324	9.8	253	9.4	225	7.7	190	8.2	208	10.2	277
Grade 2	5.2	127	4	100	4.3	105	2.8	64	1.6	38	2.5	59
Grade 3	4.6	111	4.8	116	5.5	142	4.7	116	3.1	74	2.7	63
Grade 4	4.4	108	6	146	7.2	175	12.5	327	11.9	318	7.4	186
Grade 5	1.5	33	2.2	49	0.9	21	1.2	26	0.7	15	0.5	10
Grade 6	7	166	5.4	129	4.7	111	4.1	98	3.7	89	2.5	61
Grade 7	5.9	137	4.6	102	6.2	148	3.9	91	6.9	164	4.2	100
Grade 8	10.3	252	10.4	264	10.7	256	7.5	186	6.2	155	3.1	73
Grade 9	12.2	287	13.7	320	13.9	336	13.9	323	11	276	12.2	293
Grade 10	4.3	91	5.7	119	4.6	91	6	122	4.7	96	6.5	135
Grade 11	3	58	3	57	3.7	70	3.4	62	4.6	86	4	73
Grade 12	2.3	43	3	54	1.9	34	2.4	44	3.7	64	4.3	74
All	6.5	1,955	6.7	2,006	6.8	2,034	6.4	1,902	5.7	1,735	5.3	1,602



# Risk Factor: Student Discipline

## Calcasieu 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	0.07	6	12.70	1,165	1.20	110	0.34	31
2002-03	0.01	1	14.66	1,349	1.13	104	0.46	42
2003-04	5.44	485	13.80	1,231	2.52	225	0.50	45
2004-05	15.93	1,439	16.26	1,469	3.06	276	0.46	42
2005-06	14.87	1,447	12.57	1,223	2.62	255	0.53	52
2006-07	18.20	1,612	24.57	2,176	4.12	365	0.75	66

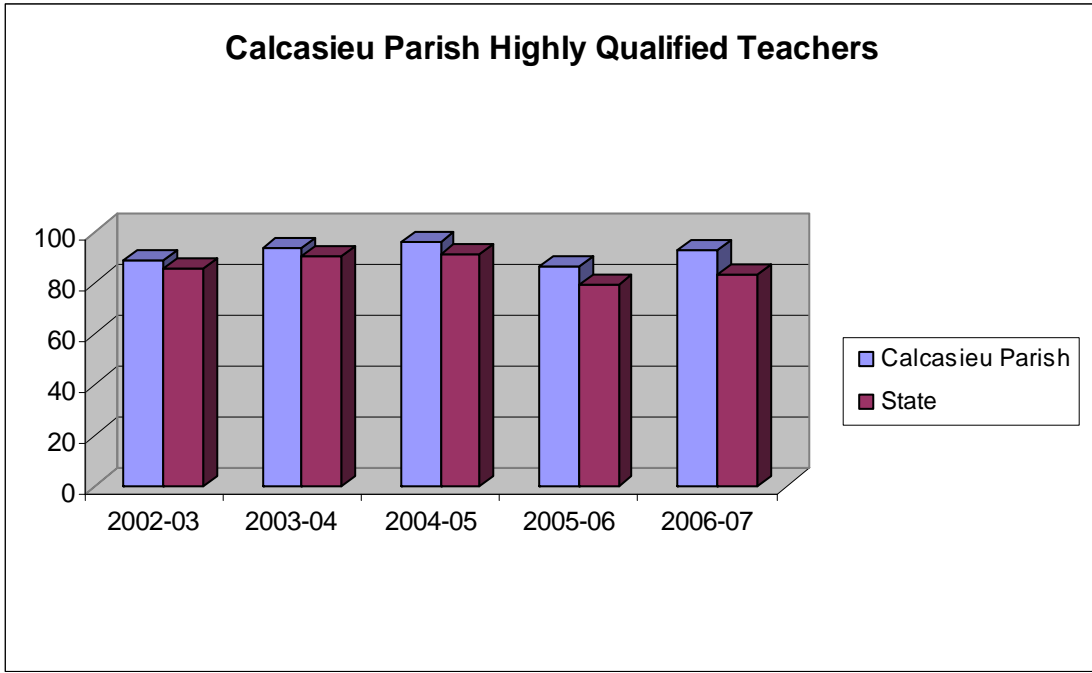


# Teacher Quality

## Highly Qualified Teachers (Percentages)

	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Calcasieu Parish Core Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	89.2	93.9	96	86.4	93
Louisiana Core Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	85.6	90.5	91.4	79.6	83.5

**Calcasieu Parish Highly Qualified Teachers**



## Risk Factor: Student Engagement and Family Background

### Calcasieu Parish **Dropout Reasons**

	Count	Percent
No Reason Given	417	65.5
Academic Difficulty	4	.6
Behavioral Difficulty	26	4.1
Dislike of School Experience	182	28.6
Employment	1	.2
Marriage	1	.2
Needed at Home	1	.2
Parent/Guardian Influence	2	.3
Pregnancy	2	.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>100</b>

### Calcasieu Dropout **Truancy**

	Frequency	Percent
Non-Truant	362	56.8
Truant	275	43.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Louisiana Truant-Dropout Total	4,736	28.9

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

	Count	Percent
Non-Options Participant	528	82.9
Option 3 (GED Program)	96	15.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>100</b>
Louisiana Dropout Option 3 Participants	1274	7.8

### Calcasieu Dropout **Homelessness**

	Calcasieu Counts	Calcasieu Percent	Louisiana Dropout Counts	Louisiana Dropout Percents
Non-Homeless	605	95.0	15,734	96.0
Hotels/Motels	1	.2	6	.0
Shelters	2	.3	47	.3
Sharing Housing with Others	19	3.0	385	2.3
Unsheltered/FEMA	10	1.6	72	.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>16,383</b>	<b>100</b>

## Risk Factor: Family Characteristics

### Calcasieu Parish Dropouts by **Gender**

	Count	Percent
Female	245	38.5
Male	392	61.5
Total	637	100

### Louisiana Dropouts by **Gender**

	Count	Percent
Female	6,917	42.2
Male	9,466	57.8
Total	16,383	100

### Calcasieu Parish Dropout **Poverty**

	Count	Percent
Paid Lunch	287	45.1
Free Lunch	319	50.1
Reduced Lunch	31	4.9
Total	637	100

### Louisiana Dropout **Poverty**

	Count	Percent
Paid Lunch	6,443	39.3
Free Lunch	9,404	57.4
Reduced Lunch	536	3.3
Total	16,383	100

### Calcasieu Parish Dropouts by **Ethnicity**

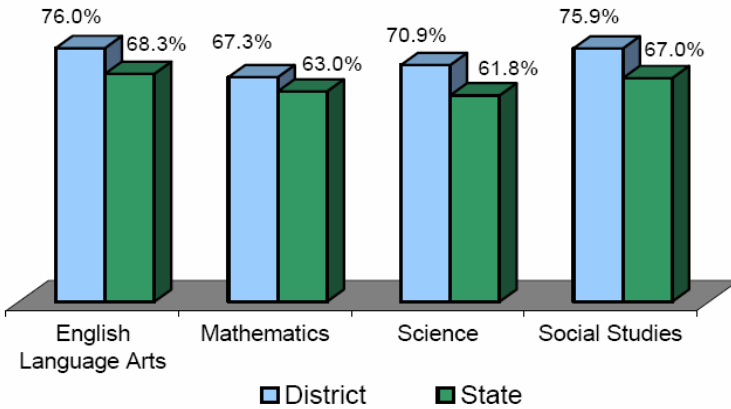
	Count	Percent
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	1	.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	4	.6
African American	344	54.0
Hispanic	13	2.0
Caucasian	275	43.2
Total	637	100

### Louisiana Dropouts by **Ethnicity**

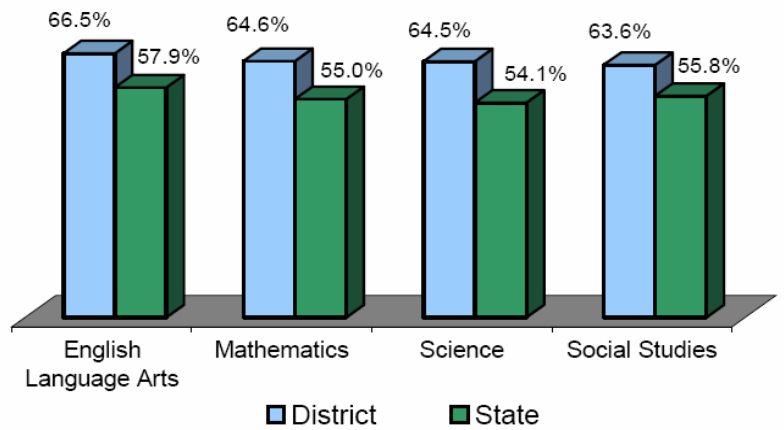
	Count	Percent
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	99	0.6
Asian/Pacific Islander	149	0.9
African American	11,217	68.5
Hispanic	447	2.7
Caucasian	4,471	27.3
Total	16,383	100

## Risk Factor: School Performance

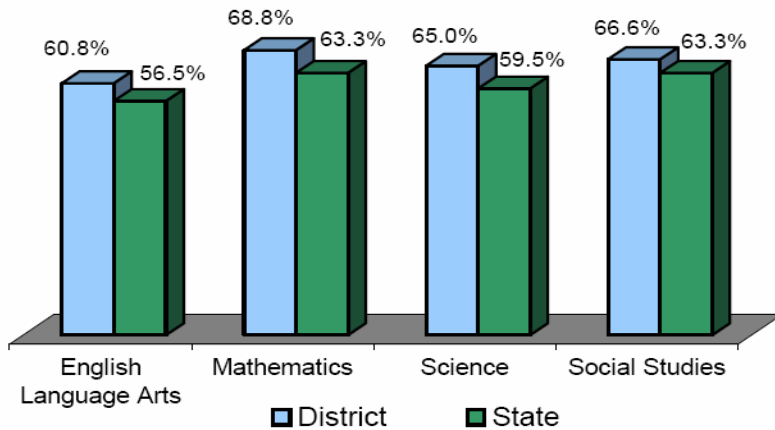
**Grade 4 LEAP Test Results**  
Percent Scoring at Basic & Above  
(2006-2007)



**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	4.6	113	1.4	35	3.4	90	3.5	95	4.9	122	3.8	88
	Mastery*	21.2	523	17.0	426	23.4	626	23.4	634	19.2	479	24.0	560
	Basic	46.4	1,143	50.1	1,253	43.4	1,164	47.1	1,277	47.5	1,185	48.2	1,126
	Approaching Basic	20.7	511	21.6	540	18.9	506	17.9	486	17.7	442	15.9	372
	Unsatisfactory	7.1	174	9.9	248	11.0	294	8.2	222	10.6	265	8.1	189
<b>Mathematics</b>													
	Advanced	1.9	48	3.1	78	2.1	56	3.0	82	5.1	128	2.8	65
	Mastery*	13.0	321	16.4	410	17.5	468	18.2	494	19.9	496	14.6	340
	Basic	47.1	1,161	47.9	1,199	43.3	1,160	47.6	1,291	40.7	1,014	49.9	1,166
	Approaching Basic	22.7	559	19.7	493	21.3	571	19.0	515	20.2	504	20.0	466
	Unsatisfactory	15.2	375	12.8	321	15.8	424	12.2	330	14.1	351	12.8	298
<b>Science</b>													
	Advanced	4.5	112	3.0	76	1.6	44	5.3	144	3.1	76	2.9	68
	Mastery*	15.8	389	16.0	400	16.0	429	17.3	470	14.8	368	16.7	390
	Basic	51.3	1,264	44.7	1,116	52.1	1,395	51.4	1,394	47.3	1,179	51.3	1,197
	Approaching Basic	22.6	556	27.8	695	24.0	642	21.7	588	26.1	650	23.0	537
	Unsatisfactory	5.8	144	8.5	212	6.3	168	4.2	115	8.8	219	6.0	141
<b>Social Studies</b>													
	Advanced	1.2	29	1.8	44	1.3	35	1.4	37	2.3	58	2.4	57
	Mastery*	10.3	254	16.8	419	18.6	497	12.2	330	17.1	427	15.8	368
	Basic	56.7	1,396	52.9	1,323	52.4	1,404	57.9	1,568	53.2	1,324	57.7	1,345
	Approaching Basic	20.1	496	19.6	489	17.5	468	20.3	549	16.8	418	15.8	369
	Unsatisfactory	11.7	289	9.0	224	10.2	274	8.3	226	10.6	264	8.3	194

## 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		
<b>District</b>													
<b>English Language Arts</b>													
Advanced		1.3	30	1.0	22	0.5	13	0.7	16	2.9	65	1.4	31
Mastery*		19.5	434	15.4	353	8.8	211	13.3	325	13.9	314	13.0	291
Basic		38.8	865	44.5	1,020	41.5	996	44.1	1,075	45.5	1,026	52.1	1,167
Approaching Basic		34.6	772	27.6	632	35.9	862	30.7	748	30.6	690	28.3	634
Unsatisfactory		5.8	129	11.5	263	13.2	316	11.2	272	7.1	160	5.3	118
<b>Mathematics</b>													
Advanced		2.2	50	4.2	97	3.4	81	2.8	67	2.9	67	6.3	140
Mastery*		4.4	99	6.6	151	8.3	200	6.6	160	4.7	108	6.3	140
Basic		51.9	1,157	50.6	1,159	53.2	1,276	52.9	1,288	52.0	1,201	52.0	1,164
Approaching Basic		25.0	557	17.9	409	19.0	455	21.2	516	23.6	545	21.7	486
Unsatisfactory		16.5	367	20.7	473	16.1	385	16.6	405	16.9	390	13.8	310
<b>Science</b>													
Advanced		0.7	16	0.6	14	1.0	24	1.1	27	1.5	33	2.2	49
Mastery*		16.8	375	14.5	331	17.0	406	17.1	416	12.6	281	18.5	413
Basic		41.7	929	40.1	916	38.4	919	40.1	976	40.3	898	43.8	979
Approaching Basic		29.1	649	28.1	642	25.8	619	28.0	681	31.7	706	24.6	550
Unsatisfactory		11.6	259	16.8	383	17.8	427	13.7	332	14.0	312	11.0	246
<b>Social Studies</b>													
Advanced		0.7	15	0.2	5	0.9	21	0.8	19	1.2	27	1.1	25
Mastery*		10.6	237	9.4	214	10.4	250	14.4	350	10.1	224	12.6	281
Basic		52.2	1,163	46.9	1,072	48.6	1,163	49.0	1,192	51.1	1,139	49.9	1,116
Approaching Basic		22.5	501	24.9	569	24.5	587	20.2	490	21.4	476	22.9	513
Unsatisfactory		14.0	313	18.6	426	15.5	372	15.6	380	16.2	362	13.5	303

## 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	1.1	24	0.7	15	2.4	49	1.2	24	1.2	24	1.5	29
Mastery*	16.5	356	13.8	284	22.0	457	19.7	396	15.7	315	11.6	231
Basic	46.9	1,011	45.0	927	44.2	917	50.3	1,010	52.2	1,044	47.7	951
Approaching Basic	21.3	460	23.2	478	19.8	411	20.6	413	20.9	419	25.4	507
Unsatisfactory	14.1	304	17.2	354	11.6	241	8.2	164	10.0	199	13.8	275
<b>Mathematics</b>												
Advanced	8.4	182	10.7	220	11.4	236	10.3	207	11.5	231	8.6	172
Mastery*	14.9	322	17.9	369	18.7	388	20.2	405	17.8	357	17.3	345
Basic	40.5	873	37.3	768	40.4	837	41.1	824	40.6	812	42.9	857
Approaching Basic	14.8	319	14.7	302	12.9	267	12.1	242	14.5	290	15.2	303
Unsatisfactory	21.3	458	19.5	402	16.6	345	16.4	328	15.6	312	16.0	319
<b>Science</b>												
Advanced	2.5	50	1.7	33	3.6	62	5.7	102	3.8	67	4.7	84
Mastery*	15.2	298	15.1	298	21.1	368	19.5	347	13.3	237	17.4	314
Basic	42.2	828	45.9	903	44.2	770	43.0	765	43.9	780	42.9	776
Approaching Basic	21.5	421	23.7	466	22.8	397	22.8	405	27.7	492	22.5	406
Unsatisfactory	18.6	365	13.7	269	8.4	146	9.0	160	11.3	201	12.6	228
<b>Social Studies</b>												
Advanced	1.0	20	1.6	31	1.0	17	1.5	26	1.4	25	1.8	32
Mastery*	11.4	224	15.0	295	15.8	275	12.4	220	9.3	165	11.5	208
Basic	52.5	1,029	52.8	1,039	58.5	1,018	57.6	1,026	57.7	1,026	53.3	963
Approaching Basic	18.8	368	19.3	380	17.8	310	20.2	360	21.3	378	20.4	368
Unsatisfactory	16.3	320	11.3	222	7.0	121	8.3	148	10.3	184	13.1	237