

DeSoto Parish Dropout Profile



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Family Engagement/Commitment to Education

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Social Attitudes, Values and Behaviors

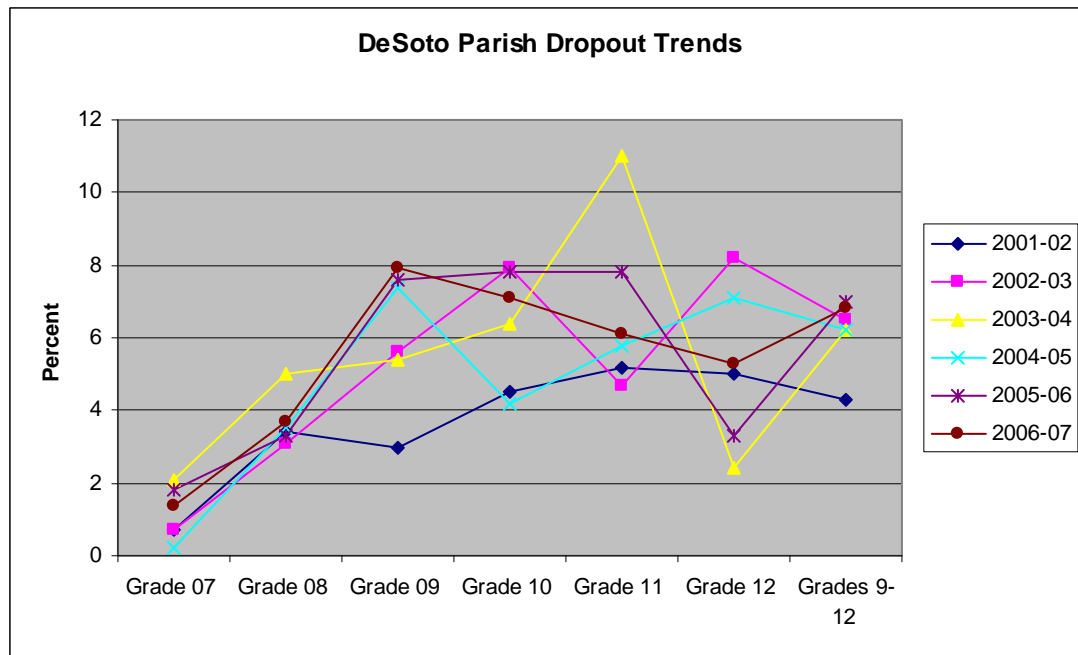
- High-Risk Peer Group
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Individual Background Characteristics

- Has a Learning Disability or Emotional Disturbance

DeSoto Parish Dropout Trends (Percentages)

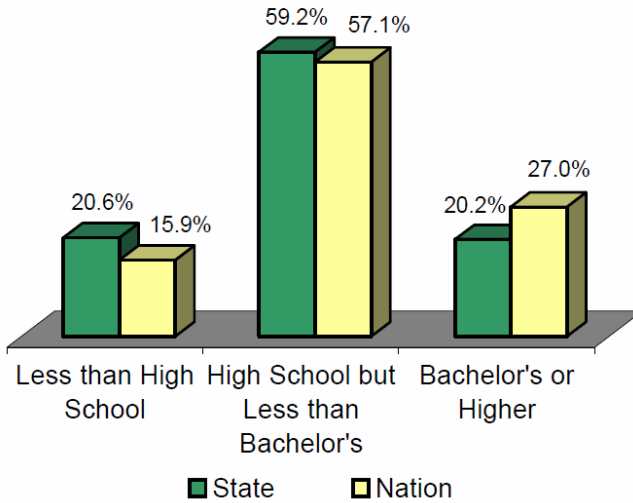
Year	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12	Grades 9-12
2001-02	0.7	3.4	3	4.5	5.2	5	4.3
2002-03	0.7	3.1	5.6	7.9	4.7	8.2	6.5
2003-04	2.1	5	5.4	6.4	11	2.4	6.2
2004-05	0.2	3.5	7.4	4.2	5.8	7.1	6.2
2005-06	1.8	3.3	7.6	7.8	7.8	3.3	7
2006-07	1.4	3.7	7.9	7.1	6.1	5.3	6.8



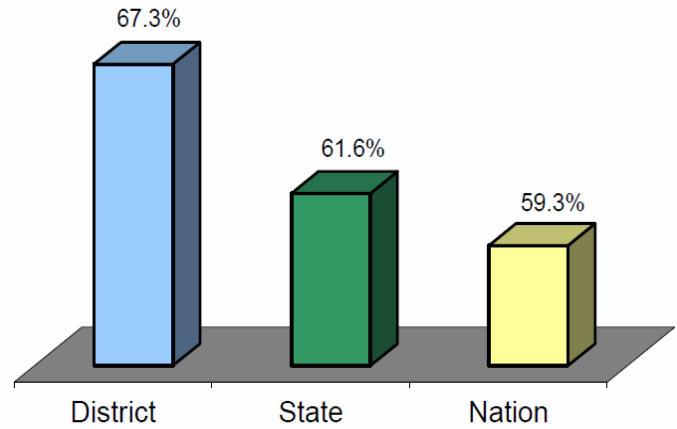
Louisiana Dropout Trends (Percentages)

	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

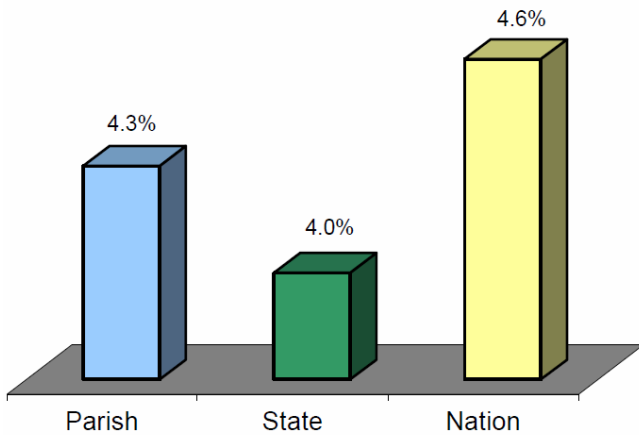
Educational Attainment at State and National Levels



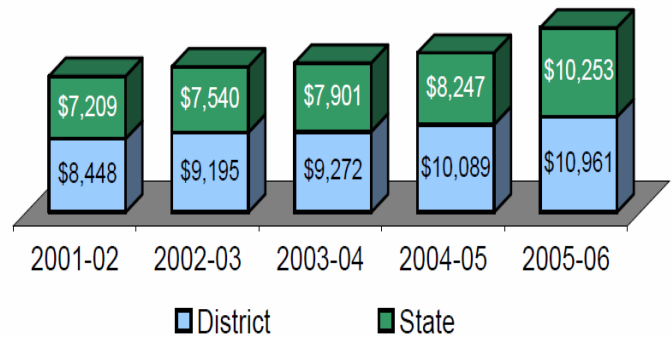
Student Participation in the Federal Free or Reduced Price Lunch Program



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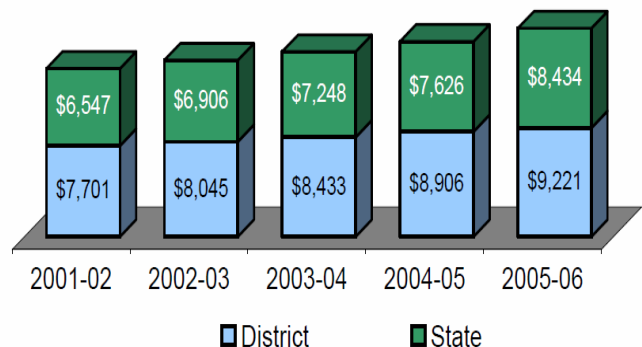
Revenues Per Pupil (Elementary/Secondary Enrollment)



Income and Poverty

	Parish	State	Nation
Median Household Income	\$30,883	\$35,216	\$44,334
Persons Below Poverty	19.5%	19.2%	12.7%
Children Below Poverty	33.8%	27.8%	18.3%

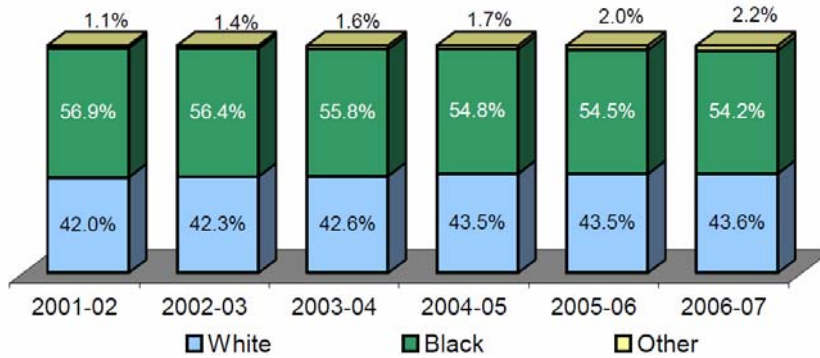
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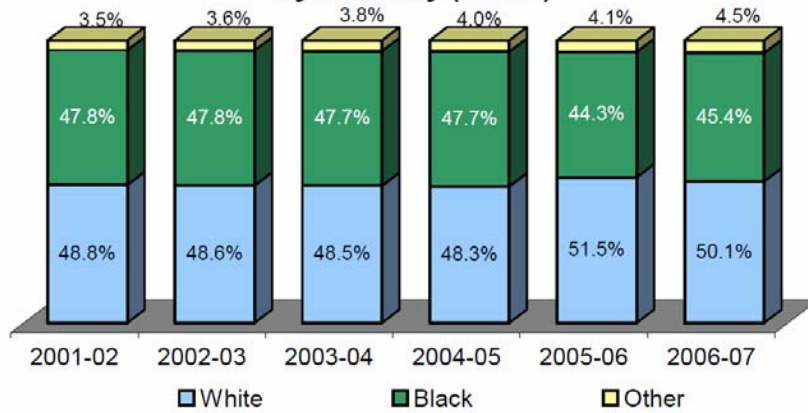
Teenage Birth and Single Motherhood

	Parish	State	Nation
Teenage Birth Rate	15.0%	14.4%	10.0%
Female Householders	12.4%	16.1%	12.5%

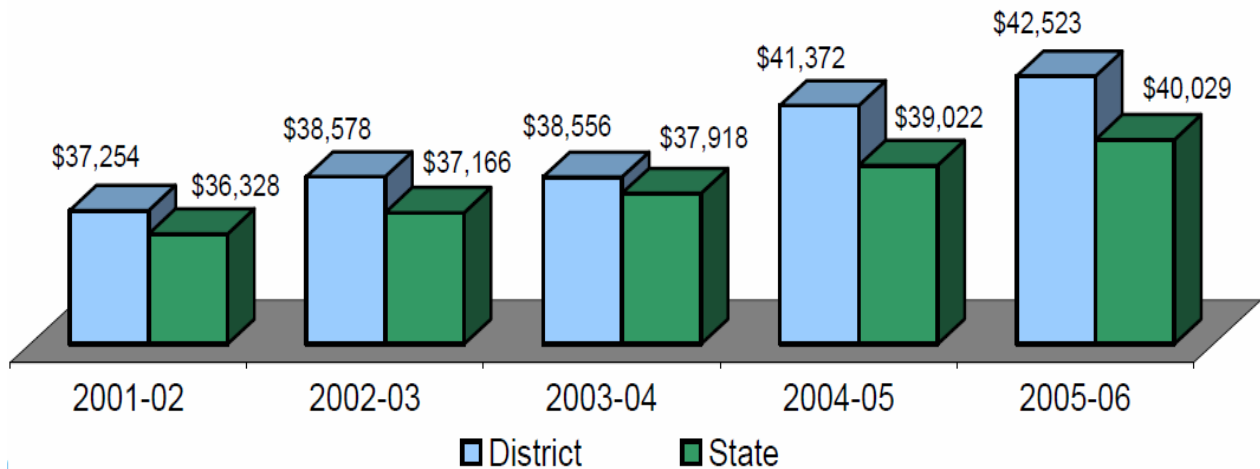
District's Public Student Population by Ethnicity (PK-12)



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



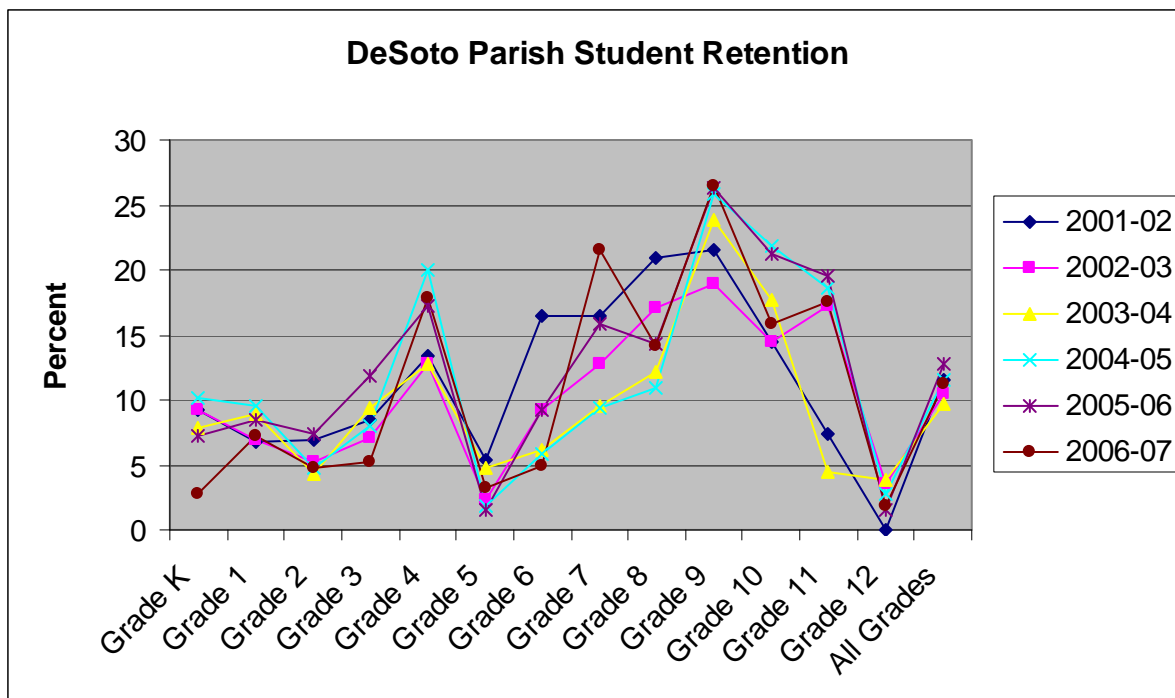
Average Classroom Teacher Salary



Risk Factors: Student Retention

DeSoto Parish Student Retention

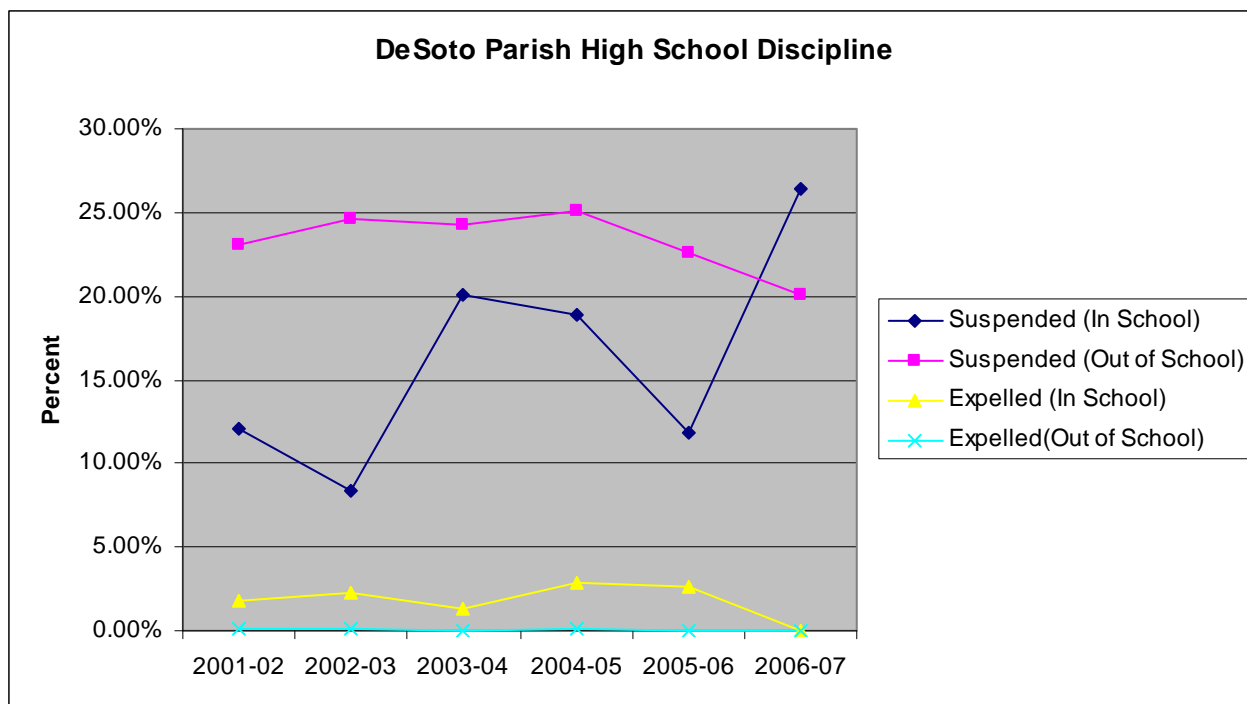
	2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05		2005-06		2006-07	
	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#
Grade K	9.3	35	9.3	30	7.9	28	10.1	33	7.2	28	2.8	11
Grade 1	6.7	25	6.9	25	9	28	9.6	35	8.4	29	7.3	28
Grade 2	6.9	27	5.2	19	4.3	16	4.8	15	7.4	26	4.8	16
Grade 3	8.4	32	7.1	28	9.4	35	8	30	11.9	40	5.3	19
Grade 4	13.4	53	12.8	51	12.8	51	20	79	17.3	75	17.8	65
Grade 5	5.4	18	2.3	8	4.8	17	1.9	7	1.6	5	3.3	11
Grade 6	16.5	68	9.3	36	6.2	26	5.9	23	9.3	37	4.9	18
Grade 7	16.5	68	12.7	50	9.6	37	9.4	40	15.9	64	21.6	93
Grade 8	20.9	71	17.1	67	12.1	51	11	43	14.3	59	14.1	55
Grade 9	21.6	72	18.9	60	23.9	79	25.9	91	26.3	93	26.5	97
Grade 10	14.5	44	14.5	42	17.7	53	21.9	72	21.3	68	15.9	47
Grade 11	7.4	20	17.3	47	4.5	13	18.6	48	19.5	55	17.5	49
Grade 12	0	0	3.5	9	3.8	10	2.8	8	1.6	4	1.9	5
All Grades	11.6	533	10.5	472	9.7	444	11.5	524	12.7	583	11.2	514



Risk Factor: Student Discipline

DeSoto Parish—High School **Discipline**

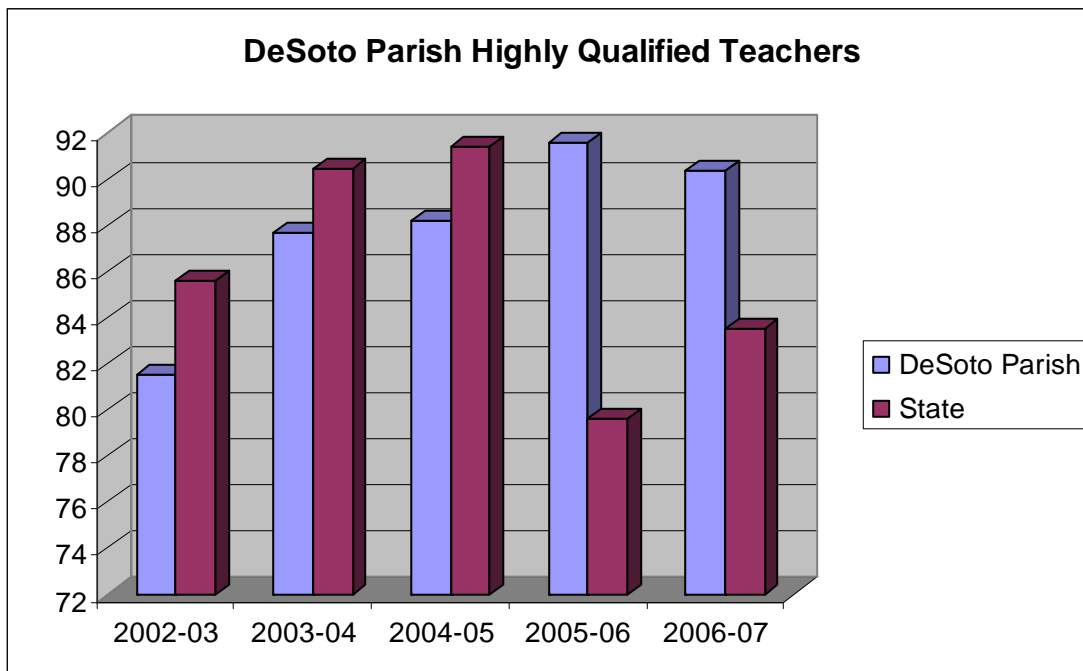
School Year	Suspension (In-School)		Suspension (Out-of-School)		Expulsion (In-School)		Expulsion (Out-of-School)	
	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#
2002-03	8.42	118	24.61	345	2.28	32	0.07	1
2003-04	20.04	286	24.32	347	1.26	18	0	
2004-05	18.86	267	25.14	356	2.82	40	0.07	1
2005-06	11.79	170	22.61	326	2.64	38	0	
2006-07	26.46	354	20.10	269	0		0	



Teacher Quality

Highly Qualified Teachers (Percentages)

	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
DeSoto Parish Core Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	81.5	87.7	88.2	91.6	90.4
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

DeSoto Parish Dropout Reasons

	Count	Percent
No Reason Given	107	78.1
Academic Difficulty	6	4.4
Behavioral Difficulty	0	0
Dislike of School Experience	8	5.8
Employment	5	3.6
Lack of Childcare	1	.7
Failed Required Test	0	0
Military	1	.7
Pregnancy	1	.7
Parent/Guardian Influence	1	.7
Health Problems	2	1.5
Reason Unknown	5	3.6
Total	137	100

DeSoto Dropout Truancy

	Frequency	Percent
Non-Truant	86	62.8
Truant	51	37.2
Total	137	100
Louisiana Truant-Dropout Total	5,890	36.0

DeSoto Parish Dropout: Options Program Participation

	Count	Percent
Non-Options Participant	109	79.6
Option 3 (GED Program)	28	20.4
Total	137	100
Louisiana Dropout Option 3 Participants	1,924	11.7

DeSoto Dropout Homelessness

	DeSoto Counts	DeSoto Percents	Louisiana Dropout Counts	Louisiana Dropout Percents
Non-Homeless	136	99.3	15,834	96.6
Hotels/Motels	0	0	8	.0
Shelters	0	0	28	.2
Sharing Housing with Others	1	.7	412	2.5
Unsheltered/FEMA	0	0	55	.3
Total	137	100	16,383	100

Risk Factor: Family Characteristics

DeSoto Parish Dropouts by Gender

	Count	Percent
Female	47	34.3
Male	90	65.7
Total	137	100

Louisiana Dropouts by Gender

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

DeSoto Parish Dropout Poverty

	Count	Percent
Paid Lunch	84	61.3
Free Lunch	48	35.0
Reduced Lunch	5	3.6
Total	137	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

DeSoto Parish Dropouts by Ethnicity

	Count	Percent
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	0	0
Asian/Pacific Islander	0	0
African American	91	66.4
Hispanic	4	2.9
Caucasian	42	30.7
Total	137	100

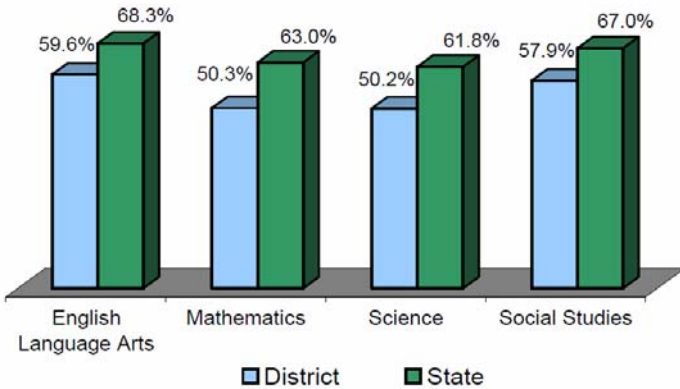
Louisiana Dropouts by Ethnicity

	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

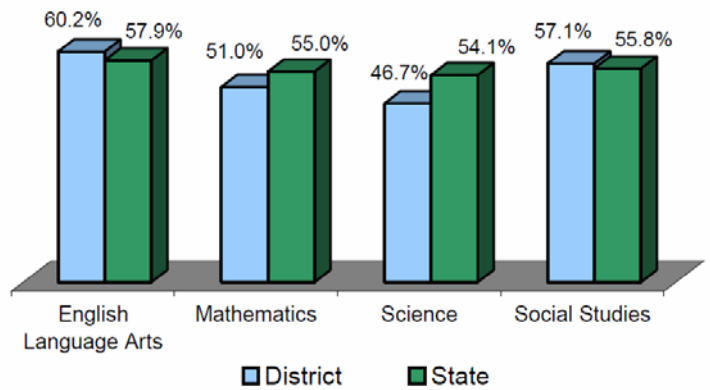
Grade 4 LEAP Test Results

Percent Scoring at Basic & Above
(2006-2007)



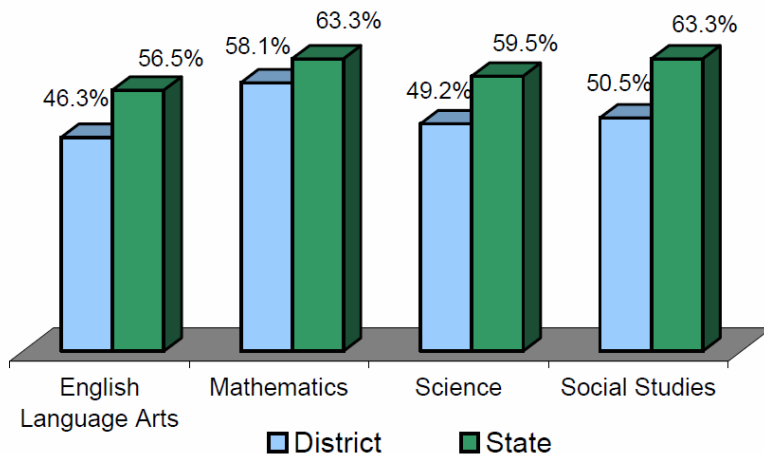
Grade 8 LEAP Test Results

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	
District												
English Language Arts												
Advanced	0.5	2	0.0	0	2.2	9	0.7	3	0.5	2	1.0	4
Mastery*	9.3	38	5.2	21	12.7	52	11.2	50	11.5	43	15.3	63
Basic	40.4	165	41.9	169	37.5	153	39.5	177	48.5	181	43.3	178
Approaching Basic	36.0	147	34.7	140	26.5	108	31.9	143	22.3	83	27.7	114
Unsatisfactory	13.7	56	18.1	73	21.1	86	16.7	75	17.2	64	12.7	52
Mathematics												
Advanced	1.5	6	0.7	3	1.0	4	0.7	3	1.9	7	1.5	6
Mastery*	5.4	22	6.0	24	8.3	34	4.9	22	13.1	49	6.8	28
Basic	35.0	143	36.5	147	34.8	142	39.4	177	37.5	140	42.0	172
Approaching Basic	27.7	113	30.3	122	27.9	114	29.4	132	27.1	101	29.3	120
Unsatisfactory	30.4	124	26.6	107	27.9	114	25.6	115	20.4	76	20.5	84
Science												
Advanced	2.2	9	2.2	9	1.2	5	2.0	9	0.5	2	1.5	6
Mastery*	7.6	31	11.7	47	12.5	51	8.9	40	11.0	41	10.7	44
Basic	40.0	163	34.2	138	40.0	163	43.1	194	40.2	150	38.0	156
Approaching Basic	36.8	150	38.5	155	32.6	133	36.7	165	34.3	128	37.6	154
Unsatisfactory	13.5	55	13.4	54	13.7	56	9.3	42	13.9	52	12.2	50
Social Studies												
Advanced	0.2	1	1.0	4	1.5	6	0.4	2	0.8	3	1.0	4
Mastery*	3.4	14	7.4	30	12.0	49	4.5	20	8.3	31	9.3	38
Basic	41.3	168	43.7	176	44.6	182	38.8	174	50.4	188	47.6	195
Approaching Basic	34.2	139	29.3	118	23.8	97	32.1	144	24.1	90	28.3	116
Unsatisfactory	20.9	85	18.6	75	18.1	74	24.3	109	16.4	61	13.9	57

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
District													
English Language Arts													
	Advanced	1.5	5	0.8	3	1.6	6	0.8	3	3.0	11	0.3	1
	Mastery*	14.7	48	15.3	59	13.4	50	12.7	49	10.6	39	10.8	40
	Basic	38.5	126	41.6	160	35.0	131	40.7	157	40.9	151	49.1	181
	Approaching Basic	38.5	126	28.3	109	37.4	140	31.1	120	36.0	133	31.4	116
	Unsatisfactory	6.7	22	14.0	54	12.6	47	14.8	57	9.5	35	8.4	31
Mathematics													
	Advanced	0.3	1	4.2	16	1.9	7	1.8	7	2.3	9	3.5	13
	Mastery*	3.6	12	6.0	23	5.3	20	6.2	24	3.3	13	5.2	19
	Basic	45.6	150	43.1	166	47.1	176	47.7	184	46.6	183	42.3	156
	Approaching Basic	28.3	93	24.2	93	23.5	88	22.8	88	24.4	96	28.5	105
	Unsatisfactory	22.2	73	22.6	87	22.2	83	21.5	83	23.4	92	20.6	76
Science													
	Advanced	0.6	2	0.3	1	0.8	3	0.5	2	0.5	2	0.3	1
	Mastery*	8.3	27	11.2	43	9.9	37	11.7	45	8.5	31	6.8	25
	Basic	37.3	122	36.5	140	31.6	118	38.1	147	32.4	118	39.6	146
	Approaching Basic	35.5	116	34.9	134	35.6	133	28.5	110	39.3	143	32.5	120
	Unsatisfactory	18.3	60	17.2	66	22.2	83	21.2	82	19.2	70	20.9	77
Social Studies													
	Advanced	0.6	2	0.3	1	0.3	1	0.8	3	1.1	4	0.5	2
	Mastery*	8.0	26	5.2	20	8.3	31	8.3	32	7.7	28	9.2	34
	Basic	44.3	145	39.6	152	42.0	157	44.8	173	44.1	161	47.4	175
	Approaching Basic	27.8	91	26.8	103	27.8	104	20.7	80	27.1	99	25.7	95
	Unsatisfactory	19.3	63	28.1	108	21.7	81	25.4	98	20.0	73	17.1	63

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
District													
English Language Arts													
Advanced	0.7	2	1.5	5	0.0	0	0.3	1	1.3	4	0.7	2	
Mastery*	11.8	35	7.9	26	12.2	39	11.3	35	8.8	27	5.0	15	
Basic	45.6	135	40.9	134	41.4	132	50.2	155	44.5	137	40.6	123	
Approaching Basic	25.7	76	28.0	92	28.2	90	24.6	76	29.5	91	31.0	94	
Unsatisfactory	16.2	48	21.6	71	18.2	58	13.6	42	15.9	49	22.8	69	
Mathematics													
Advanced	3.7	11	3.3	11	4.4	14	5.8	18	3.6	11	5.6	17	
Mastery*	15.0	45	11.2	37	11.3	36	16.5	51	10.4	32	12.2	37	
Basic	38.0	114	43.2	142	42.6	136	40.3	125	46.3	143	40.3	122	
Approaching Basic	18.3	55	17.0	56	20.4	65	17.1	53	23.0	71	17.2	52	
Unsatisfactory	25.0	75	25.2	83	21.3	68	20.3	63	16.8	52	24.8	75	
Science													
Advanced	0.4	1	0.7	2	0.4	1	0.7	2	1.1	3	1.6	4	
Mastery*	9.4	26	10.3	30	8.5	22	11.6	32	7.9	22	8.5	22	
Basic	27.7	77	41.7	121	42.5	110	40.0	110	37.1	104	39.1	101	
Approaching Basic	29.9	83	29.3	85	28.6	74	30.5	84	37.9	106	27.9	72	
Unsatisfactory	32.7	91	17.9	52	20.1	52	17.1	47	16.1	45	22.9	59	
Social Studies													
Advanced	0.4	1	0.0	0	0.4	1	0.0	0	0.0	0	1.6	4	
Mastery*	4.7	13	5.5	16	3.9	10	5.1	14	2.9	8	4.3	11	
Basic	32.0	89	53.4	155	56.4	146	46.9	129	53.2	149	44.6	115	
Approaching Basic	30.9	86	28.6	83	26.6	69	33.1	91	26.1	73	24.4	63	
Unsatisfactory	32.0	89	12.4	36	12.7	33	14.9	41	17.9	50	25.2	65	