

Orleans Parish Dropout Profile



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Family Engagement/Commitment to Education

- Low Education Expectation (page 10)
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- Low Contact with School
- Lack of Conversation About School

Social Attitudes, Values and Behaviors

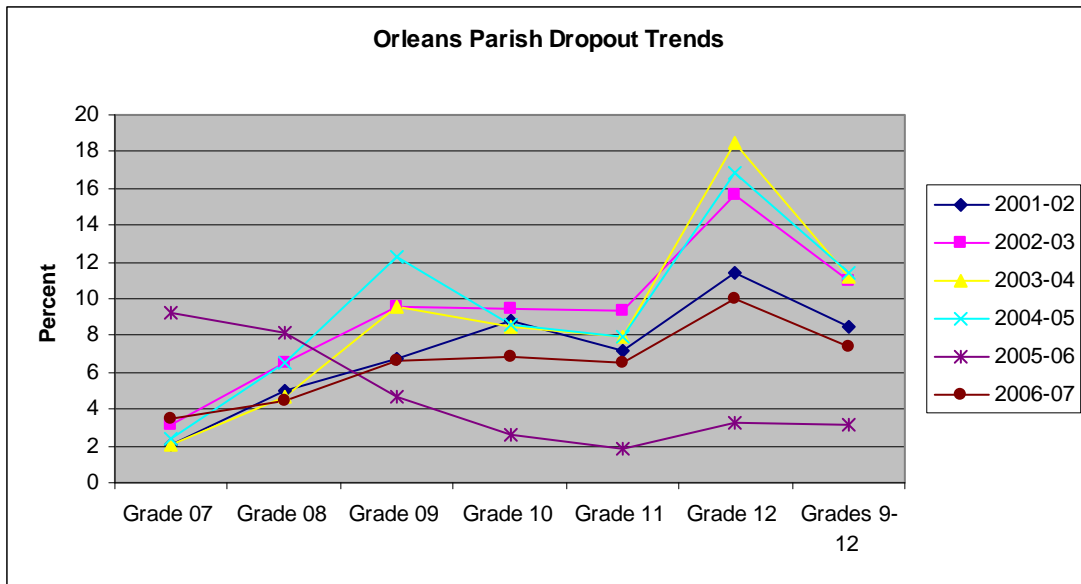
- High-Risk Peer Group
- High-Risk Social Behavior
- Highly Active Outside of School

Individual Background Characteristics

- Has a Learning Disability or Emotional Disturbance

Orleans Parish Dropout Trends (Percentages)

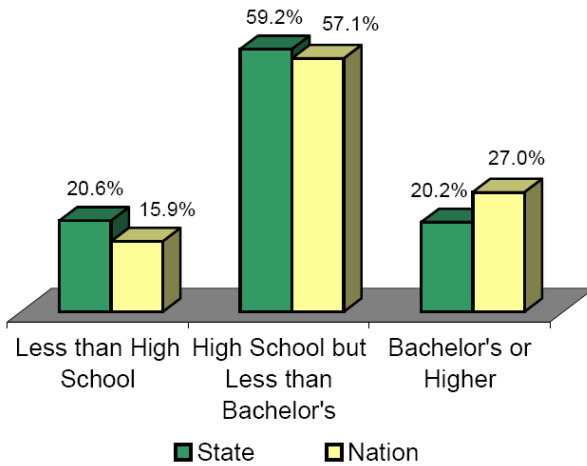
Year	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12	Grades 9-12
2001-02	2.1	5	6.7	8.8	7.2	11.4	8.5
2002-03	3.1	6.5	9.6	9.5	9.4	15.7	11
2003-04	2.1	4.7	9.6	8.5	7.9	18.5	11.2
2004-05	2.4	6.5	12.3	8.6	7.9	16.8	11.4
2005-06	9.2	8.1	4.7	2.6	1.9	3.3	3.2
2006-07	3.5	4.5	6.6	6.9	6.5	10	7.4



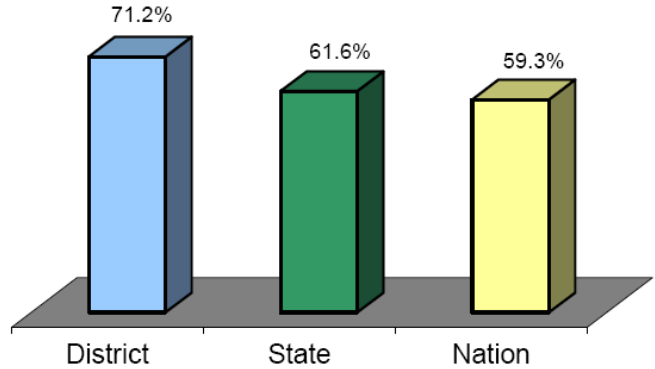
Louisiana Dropout Trends (Percentages)

	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

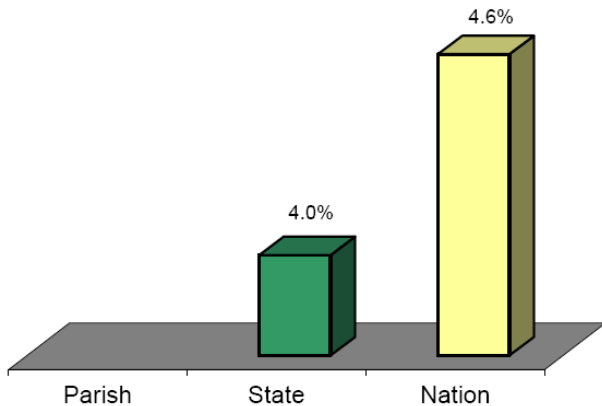
Educational Attainment at State and National Levels



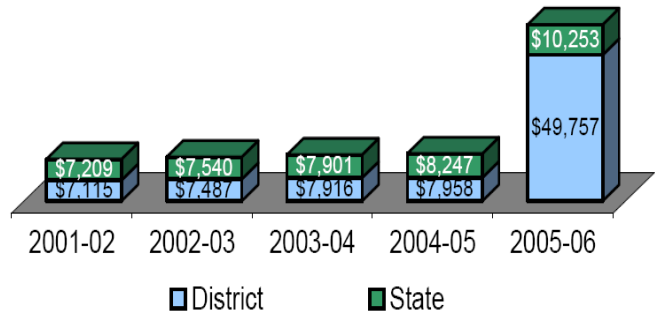
Student Participation in the Federal Free or Reduced Price Lunch Program



Unemployment Rate



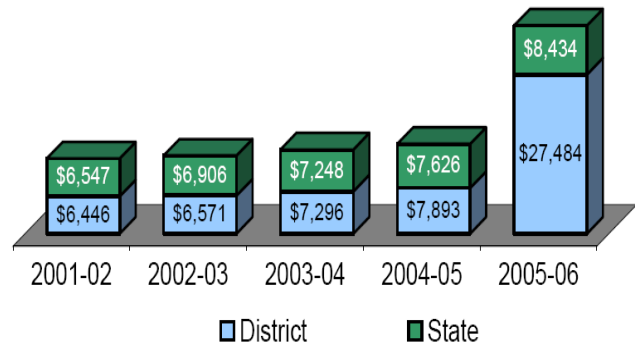
Revenues Per Pupil (Elementary/Secondary Enrollment)



Income and Poverty

	Parish	State	Nation
Median Household Income	\$27,355	\$35,216	\$44,334
Persons Below Poverty	27.0%	19.2%	12.7%
Children Below Poverty	40.3%	27.8%	18.3%

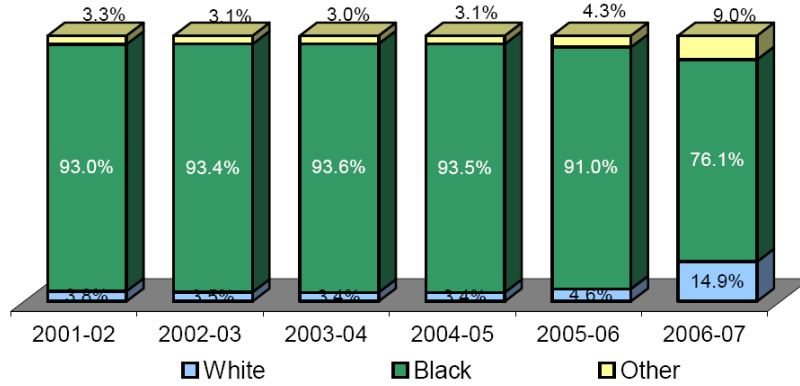
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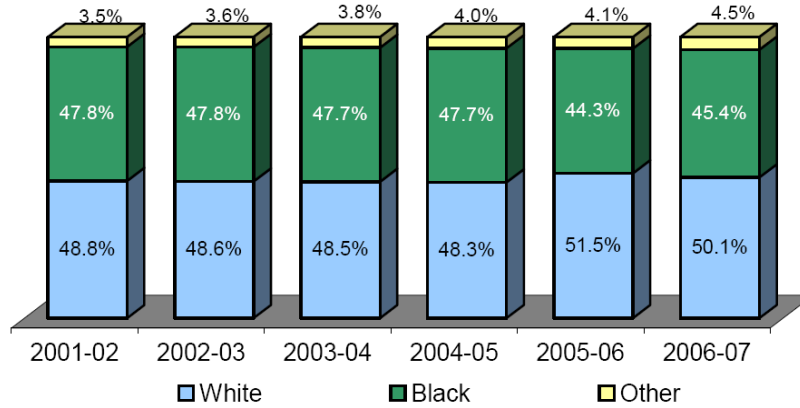
Teenage Birth and Single Motherhood

	Parish	State	Nation
Teenage Birth Rate	16.8%	14.4%	10.0%
Female Householders	17.4%	16.1%	12.5%

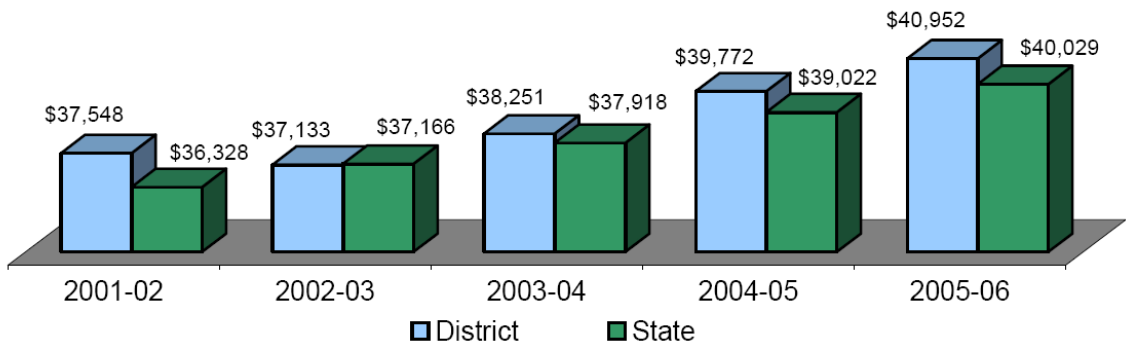
District's Public Student Population by Ethnicity (PK-12)



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



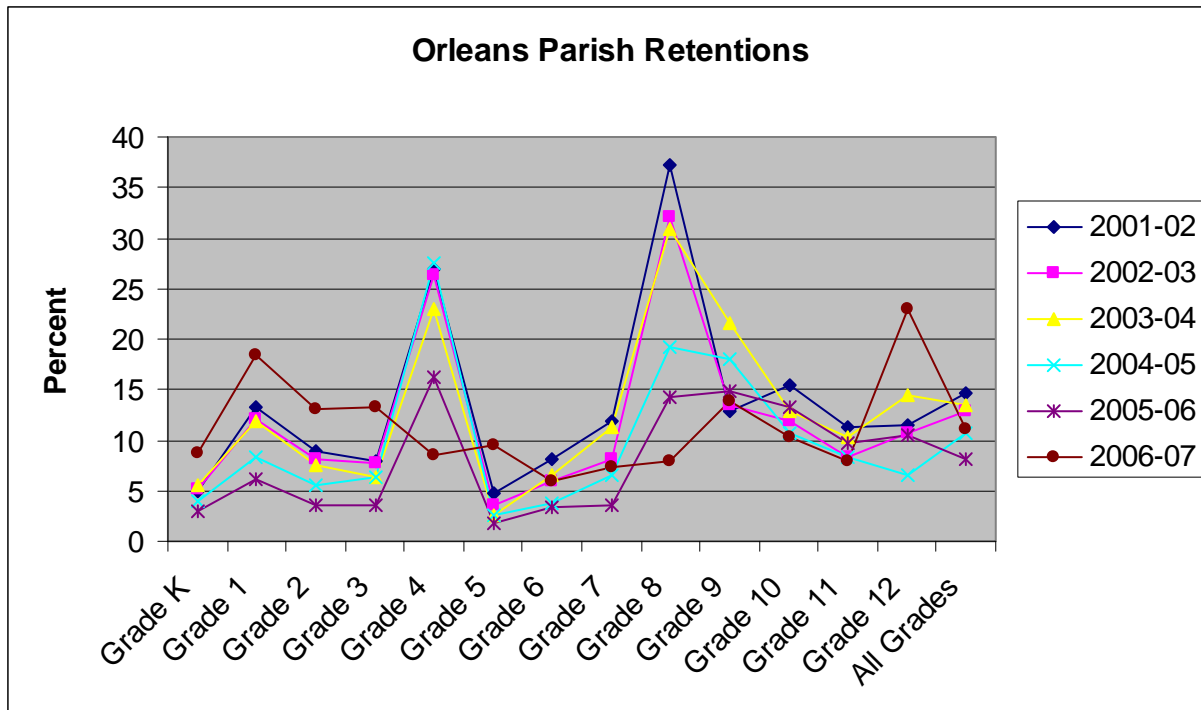
Average Classroom Teacher Salary



Risk Factor: Student Retention

Orleans Parish Student Retention

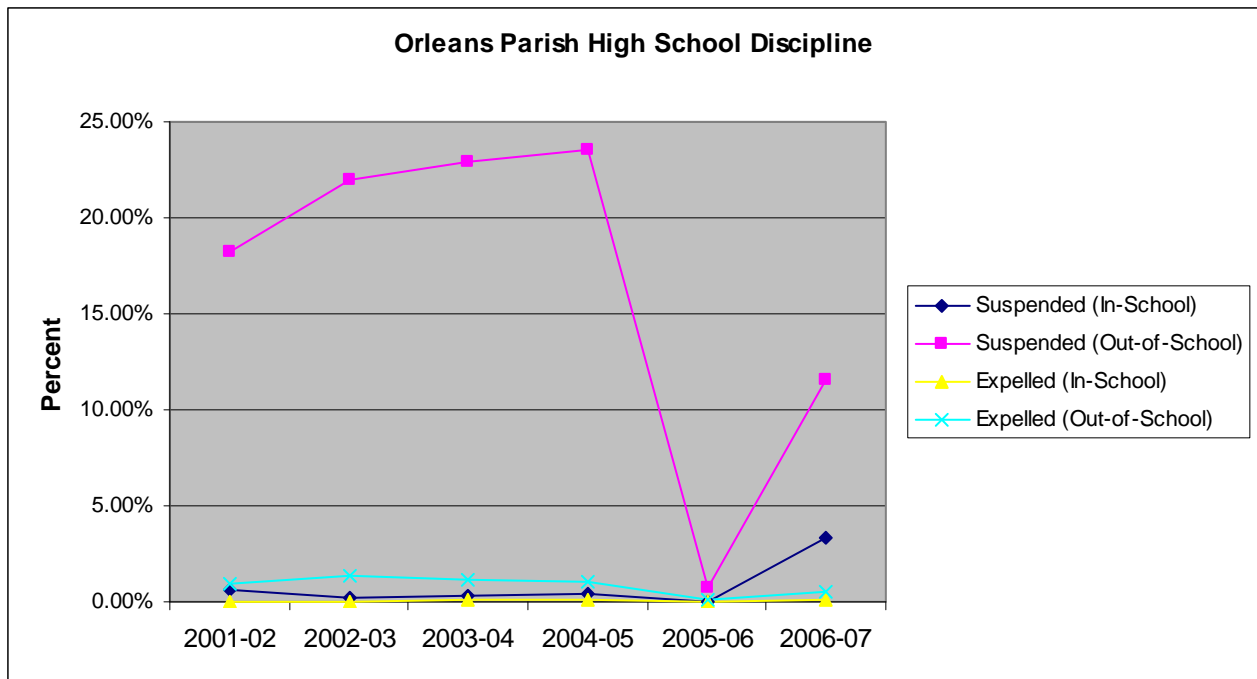
	2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05		2005-06		2006-07	
	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#
Grade K	4.9	243	5.1	209	5.6	260	4	182	2.9	131	8.8	100
Grade 1	13.3	850	12	660	11.8	541	8.4	417	6.2	298	18.4	238
Grade 2	8.9	565	8.1	477	7.5	387	5.5	240	3.5	161	13	164
Grade 3	8	489	7.8	468	6.4	355	6.3	305	3.5	147	13.3	162
Grade 4	27	2,014	26.3	1,840	22.9	1,585	27.6	1,798	16.3	979	8.6	112
Grade 5	4.7	187	3.5	159	2.6	113	2.6	112	1.7	77	9.5	125
Grade 6	8.1	439	5.9	273	6.6	338	3.8	195	3.4	144	6	71
Grade 7	11.9	656	8.2	432	11.3	523	6.6	329	3.5	162	7.4	81
Grade 8	37.2	2,676	32	2,210	30.9	1,999	19.3	1,093	14.2	730	8	117
Grade 9	12.8	492	13.5	584	21.5	980	18	841	14.8	719	13.9	239
Grade 10	15.4	765	11.8	499	12.8	534	10.7	432	13.3	558	10.2	168
Grade 11	11.2	480	8.3	347	10.2	382	8.4	290	9.8	350	7.9	111
Grade 12	11.4	456	10.6	409	14.4	543	6.5	235	10.4	329	22.9	197
All Grades	14.6	10,312	12.9	8,567	13.4	8,540	10.6	6,469	8.2	4,785	11.1	1,885



Risk Factor: Student Discipline

Orleans Parish- High School **Discipline**

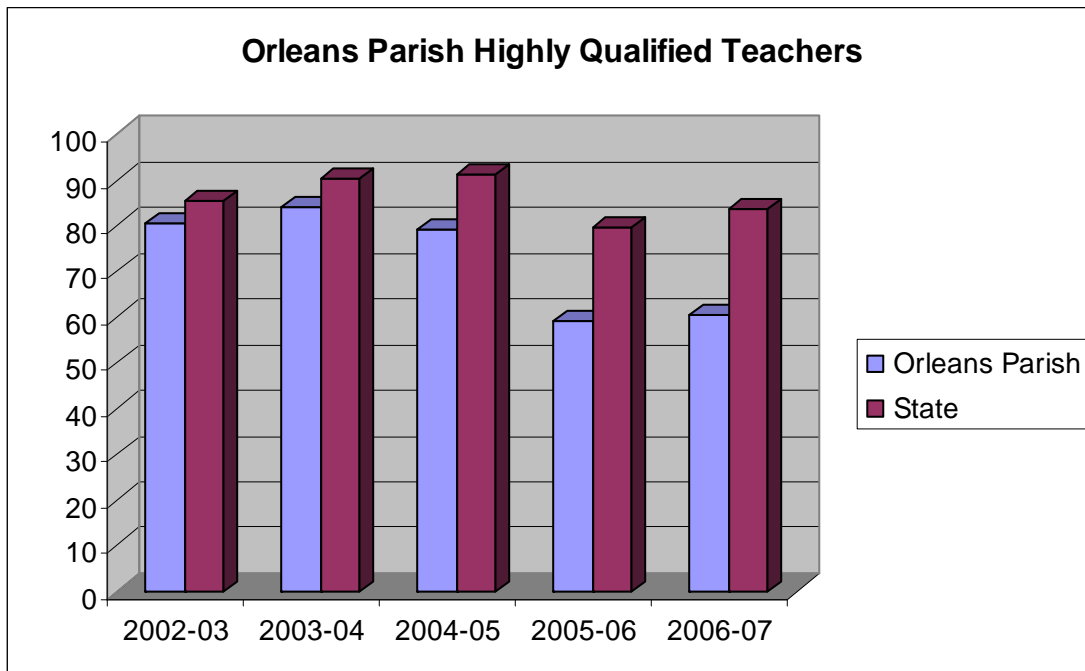
School Year	Suspension In-School		Suspension Out-of-School		Expulsion In-School		Expulsion Out-of-School	
	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#
2002-03	0.25%	57	21.94%	4914	0.02%	5	1.35%	302
2003-04	0.28%	61	22.96%	4988	0.15%	32	1.10%	240
2004-05	0.45%	94	23.52%	4967	0.09%	19	1.06%	223
2005-06	0.02%	5	0.73%	147	0.00%		0.08%	17
2006-07	3.29%	177	11.52%	620	0.06%	3	0.54%	29



Teacher Quality

Highly Qualified Teachers (Percentages)

	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Orleans Parish Core Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	80.5	84.1	79.3	59.2	60.6
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

Orleans Parish **Dropout Reasons**

	Count	Percent
No Reason Given	377	97.2
Academic Difficulty	0	0
Behavioral Difficulty	0	0
Dislike of School Experience	0	0
Employment	1	.3
Entered Criminal Justice System	0	0
Failed Required Test	0	0
Military	0	0
Health Problems	1	.3
Parent/Guardian Influence	0	0
Pregnancy	1	.3
Reason Unknown	8	2.1
Total	388	100

Orleans Dropout **Truancy**

	Frequency	Percent
Non-Truant	347	89.4
Truant	41	10.6
Total	388	100
Louisiana Truant-Dropout Total	5,890	36.0

Orleans Parish Dropout: **Options Program Participation**

	Count	Percent
Non-Options Participant	386	99.5
Option 3 (GED Program)	2	.5
Total	388	100
Louisiana Dropout Option 3 Participants	1,924	11.7

Orleans Dropout **Homelessness**

	Orleans Counts	Orleans Percent	Louisiana Dropout Counts	Louisiana Dropout Percents
Non-Homeless	375	96.6	15,834	96.6
Hotels/Motels	0	0	8	.0
Shelters	3	.8	28	.2
Sharing Housing with Others	5	1.3	412	2.5
Unsheltered/FEMA	5	1.3	55	.3
Total	388	100	16,383	100

Risk Factor: Family Characteristics

Orleans Parish Dropouts by **Gender**

	Count	Percent
Female	85	21.9
Male	303	78.1
Total	388	100

Louisiana Dropouts by **Gender**

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

Orleans Parish Dropout **Poverty**

	Count	Percent
Paid Lunch	191	49.2
Free Lunch	188	48.5
Reduced Lunch	9	2.3
Total	388	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

Orleans Parish Dropouts by **Ethnicity**

	Count	Percent
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	0	0
Asian/Pacific Islander	3	.8
African American	365	94.1
Hispanic	8	2.1
Caucasian	12	3.1
Total	388	100

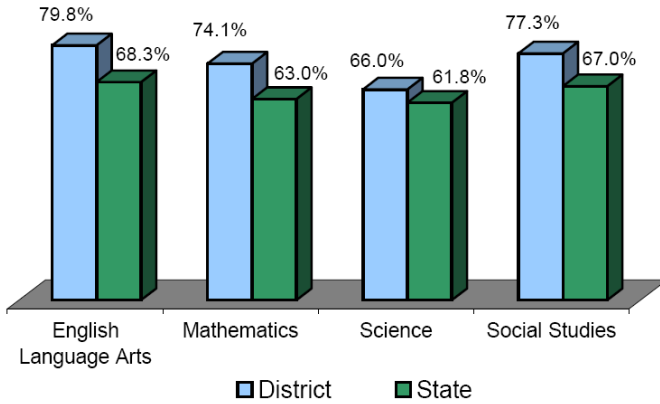
Louisiana Dropouts by **Ethnicity**

	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

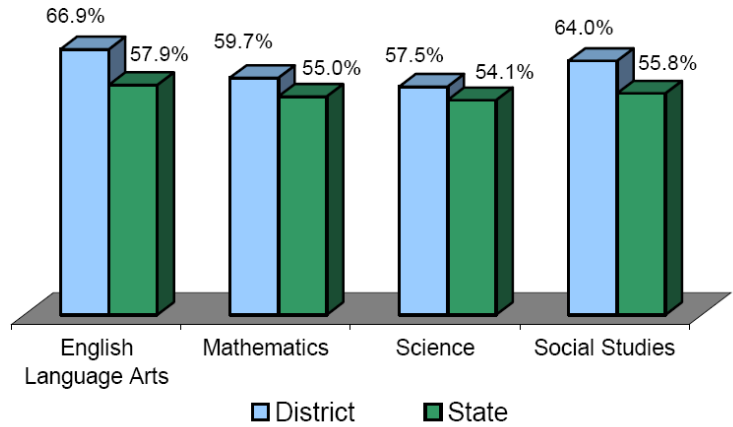
Grade 4 LEAP Test Results

Percent Scoring at Basic & Above
(2006-2007)



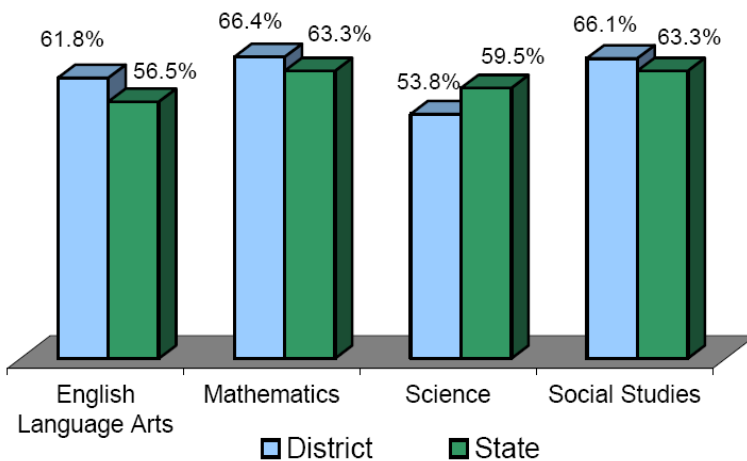
Grade 8 LEAP Test Results

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	1.3	91	0.3	19	0.7	44	1.1	67	5.5	26	7.0	34
	Mastery*	5.9	420	5.3	374	9.8	654	10.1	631	10.9	52	30.0	146
	Basic	24.0	1,715	30.2	2,151	29.4	1,971	33.2	2,072	30.8	147	42.8	208
	Approaching Basic	33.6	2,400	29.6	2,107	24.9	1,667	26.4	1,648	17.0	81	13.0	63
	Unsatisfactory	35.2	2,511	34.6	2,462	35.3	2,363	29.1	1,814	35.8	171	7.2	35
Mathematics													
	Advanced	0.6	45	0.6	43	0.5	36	0.7	45	2.1	10	3.1	15
	Mastery*	3.7	261	4.1	289	4.8	322	7.3	456	12.8	61	14.4	70
	Basic	19.6	1,396	27.7	1,969	26.6	1,785	33.0	2,054	26.8	128	56.6	275
	Approaching Basic	24.4	1,739	26.2	1,860	25.1	1,681	23.5	1,463	15.3	73	13.8	67
	Unsatisfactory	51.8	3,696	41.5	2,947	42.9	2,875	35.4	2,199	43.0	205	12.1	59
Science													
	Advanced	0.7	53	0.4	27	0.2	14	0.6	37	1.1	5	1.7	8
	Mastery*	2.5	175	2.9	206	4.0	267	4.4	275	7.6	36	13.6	66
	Basic	19.6	1,398	19.3	1,367	23.5	1,574	28.8	1,791	30.0	143	50.7	246
	Approaching Basic	35.8	2,554	43.3	3,075	37.8	2,531	38.8	2,410	27.7	132	24.1	117
	Unsatisfactory	41.4	2,955	34.2	2,426	34.5	2,309	27.3	1,695	33.8	161	9.9	48
Social Studies													
	Advanced	0.2	15	0.5	32	0.3	18	0.2	12	1.3	6	1.9	9
	Mastery*	2.1	149	2.9	208	4.7	312	2.7	165	7.6	36	18.1	88
	Basic	23.7	1,689	28.6	2,031	30.4	2,032	31.0	1,922	35.1	167	57.3	278
	Approaching Basic	26.7	1,904	31.5	2,235	25.7	1,718	28.1	1,744	18.3	87	13.0	63
	Unsatisfactory	47.3	3,375	36.5	2,593	39.0	2,613	38.0	2,358	37.8	180	9.7	47

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	0.4	20	0.7	40	0.7	35	0.7	31	1.7	10	1.6	9
Mastery*	5.3	258	5.3	284	4.2	200	6.3	286	11.4	68	21.2	117
Basic	16.5	802	17.5	944	19.6	931	22.9	1,044	23.9	142	44.1	243
Approaching Basic	43.4	2,113	34.2	1,842	39.0	1,850	37.7	1,721	38.0	226	26.7	147
Unsatisfactory	34.4	1,678	42.2	2,274	36.5	1,731	32.5	1,485	25.0	149	6.4	35
Mathematics												
Advanced	0.3	14	1.4	78	1.4	65	1.4	66	4.6	28	12.5	69
Mastery*	0.8	37	2.5	137	2.7	129	3.0	135	3.4	21	7.6	42
Basic	15.8	769	19.1	1,030	30.7	1,459	30.2	1,378	26.9	165	39.6	218
Approaching Basic	23.7	1,152	19.7	1,061	22.6	1,074	22.6	1,033	17.9	110	22.7	125
Unsatisfactory	59.4	2,888	57.2	3,077	42.6	2,026	42.8	1,953	47.1	289	17.6	97
Science												
Advanced	0.1	3	0.8	42	0.7	31	0.9	42	1.4	8	3.8	21
Mastery*	2.7	128	4.3	229	4.7	223	5.8	265	8.8	51	21.2	117
Basic	14.7	708	14.2	764	14.5	683	18.1	825	17.1	99	32.5	179
Approaching Basic	31.1	1,501	29.6	1,587	26.6	1,258	31.6	1,439	27.3	158	26.0	143
Unsatisfactory	51.5	2,480	51.1	2,741	53.6	2,531	43.5	1,983	45.3	262	16.5	91
Social Studies												
Advanced	0.1	4	0.5	26	0.9	41	0.7	34	0.9	5	2.9	16
Mastery*	1.8	85	3.4	182	4.0	191	6.0	274	9.8	56	16.2	89
Basic	20.7	995	18.9	1,011	21.0	991	23.6	1,073	23.7	136	44.9	246
Approaching Basic	26.1	1,257	24.9	1,335	28.0	1,322	24.4	1,111	20.4	117	19.3	106
Unsatisfactory	51.4	2,475	52.3	2,804	46.1	2,176	45.3	2,061	45.3	260	16.6	91

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		2.1	87	0.7	30	1.5	61	1.1	47	2.2	20	2.8	31
Mastery*		9.3	377	6.0	262	9.2	383	9.6	396	14.7	135	14.5	160
Basic		26.0	1,057	21.3	932	24.9	1,037	29.7	1,231	33.3	306	44.5	493
Approaching Basic		21.8	887	22.1	965	22.4	935	25.1	1,042	21.9	201	25.3	280
Unsatisfactory		40.7	1,633	50.0	2,186	42.1	1,757	34.5	1,430	28.0	257	12.9	143
Mathematics													
Advanced		4.4	179	3.8	165	5.2	218	4.6	191	12.1	111	12.9	144
Mastery*		6.2	252	6.9	305	8.6	357	8.6	359	11.1	102	14.5	161
Basic		18.9	768	21.4	940	24.6	1,023	26.3	1,091	28.4	260	39.0	434
Approaching Basic		13.6	552	16.3	715	15.9	663	14.0	581	16.6	152	16.0	178
Unsatisfactory		56.9	2,308	51.7	2,273	45.7	1,902	46.5	1,930	31.8	292	17.7	197
Science													
Advanced		1.8	81	2.0	75	2.4	80	2.9	100	7.0	59	8.0	82
Mastery*		5.4	237	6.6	243	7.2	236	8.9	306	10.2	86	14.9	152
Basic		15.4	673	19.8	728	24.6	806	24.0	821	22.4	188	30.9	315
Approaching Basic		17.1	748	21.9	805	26.8	878	21.7	741	26.0	218	26.2	267
Unsatisfactory		60.3	2,642	49.7	1,830	38.9	1,272	42.4	1,451	34.4	289	20.0	204
Social Studies													
Advanced		0.7	32	1.2	44	1.0	32	1.0	35	1.8	15	3.9	40
Mastery*		3.8	167	6.8	250	6.4	209	5.1	175	9.9	82	14.9	152
Basic		23.4	1,023	25.6	940	35.0	1,147	33.4	1,139	36.5	304	47.3	483
Approaching Basic		17.3	755	21.8	801	23.4	765	20.2	690	21.5	179	18.2	186
Unsatisfactory		54.8	2,395	44.7	1,644	34.2	1,121	40.3	1,374	30.3	252	15.7	160