

St. Helena Parish Dropout Profile



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- Low Commitment to School
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- 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

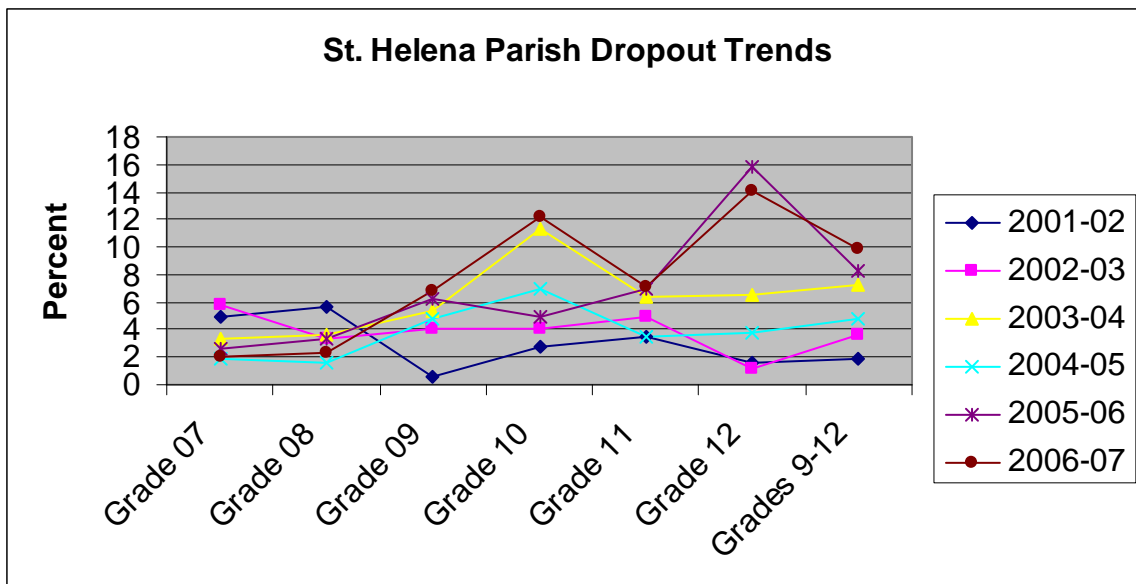
- High-Risk Peer Group
- High-Risk Social Behavior
- Highly Active Outside of School

Individual Background Characteristics

- Has a Learning Disability or Emotional Disturbance

St. Helena Parish Dropout Trends (Percentages)

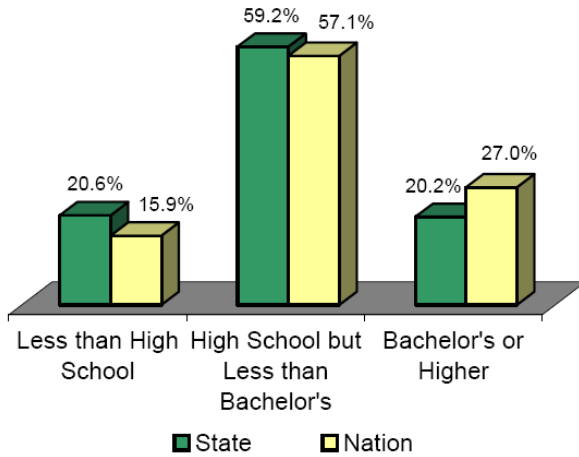
Year	Grade 07	Grade 08	Grade 09	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12	Grades 9-12
2001-02	4.9	5.7	0.6	2.7	3.5	1.6	1.9
2002-03	5.8	3.3	4	4.1	4.9	1.2	3.6
2003-04	3.3	3.6	5.3	11.3	6.4	6.6	7.3
2004-05	1.9	1.6	4.8	6.9	3.5	3.8	4.8
2005-06	2.6	3.4	6.3	4.9	7	15.8	8.3
2006-07	2	2.3	6.8	12.2	7.1	14.1	9.8



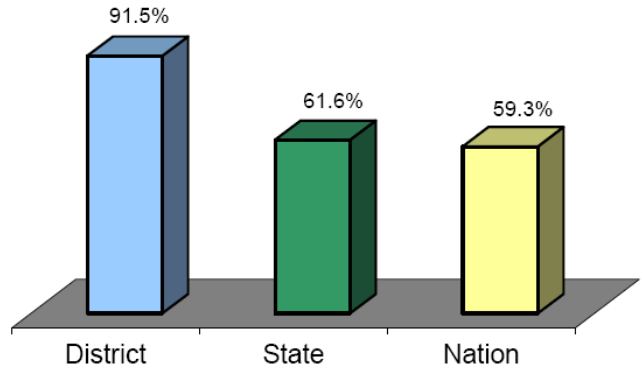
Louisiana Dropout Trends (Percentages)

	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

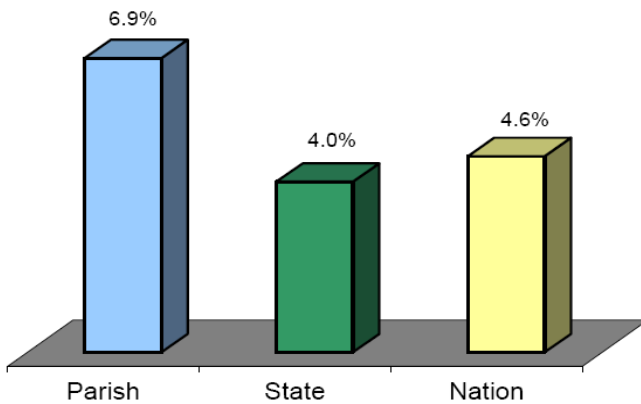
Educational Attainment at State and National Levels



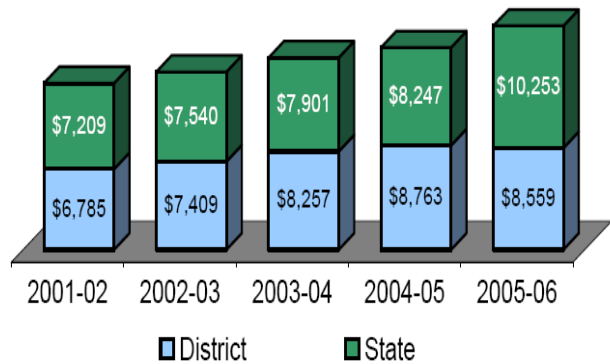
Student Participation in the Federal Free or Reduced Price Lunch Program



Unemployment Rate



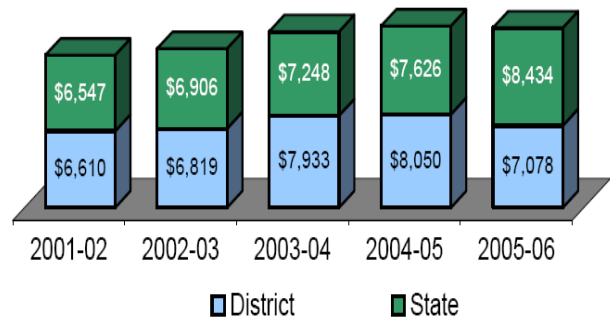
Revenues Per Pupil (Elementary/Secondary Enrollment)



Income and Poverty

	Parish	State	Nation
Median Household Income	\$29,545	\$35,216	\$44,334
Persons Below Poverty	22.0%	19.2%	12.7%
Children Below Poverty	35.5%	27.8%	18.3%

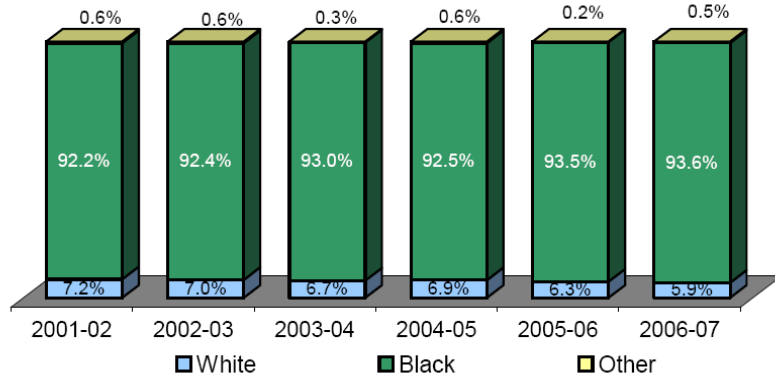
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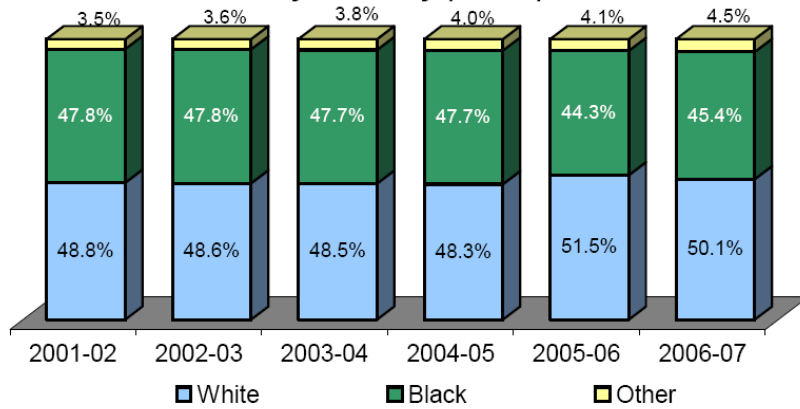
Teenage Birth and Single Motherhood

	Parish	State	Nation
Teenage Birth Rate	19.0%	14.4%	10.0%
Female Householders	11.9%	16.1%	12.5%

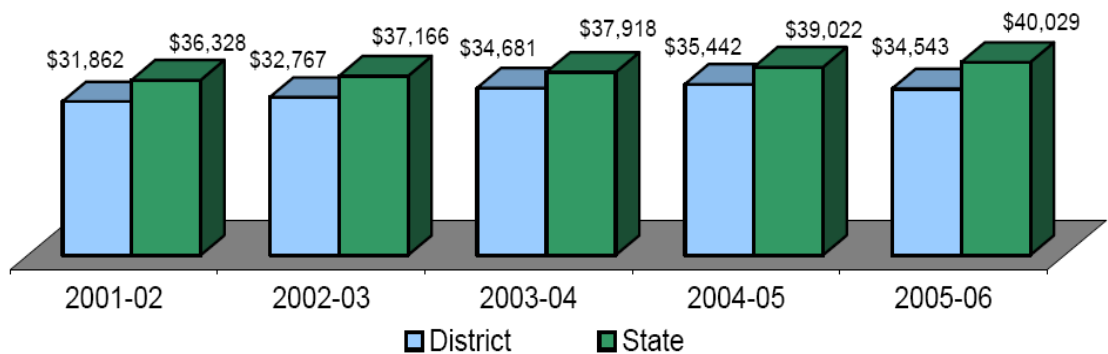
District's Public Student Population by Ethnicity (PK-12)



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



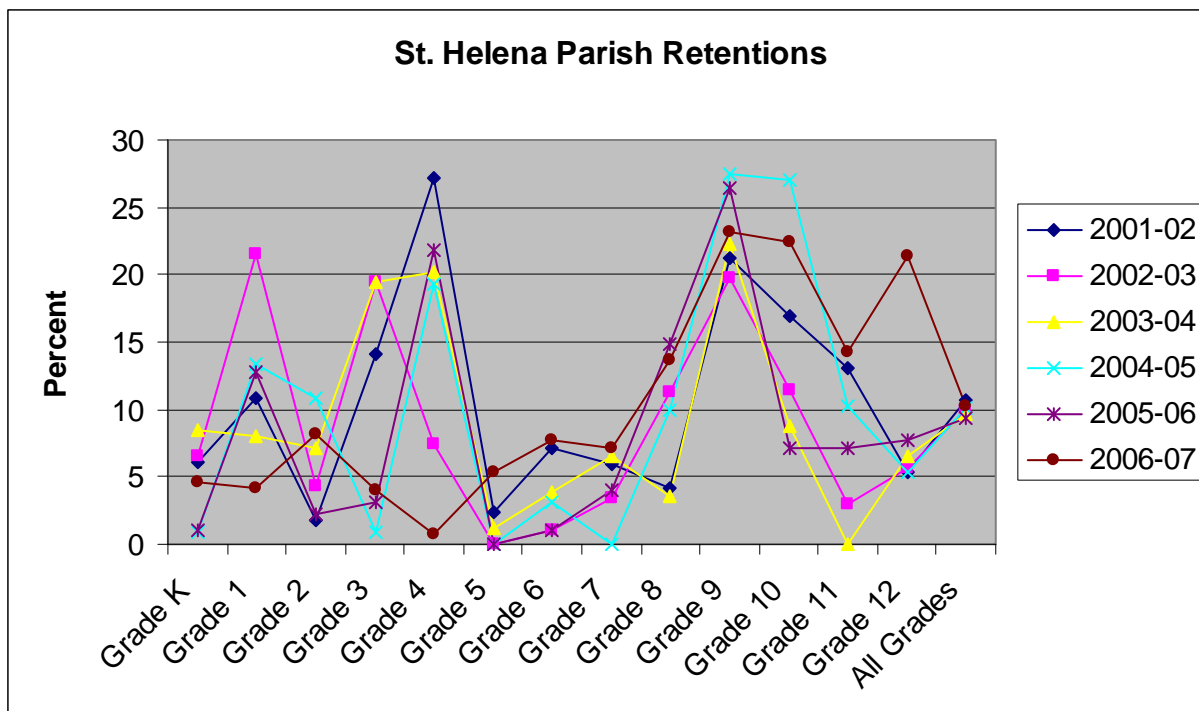
Average Classroom Teacher Salary



Risk Factor: Student Retention

St. Helena Parish Student Retention

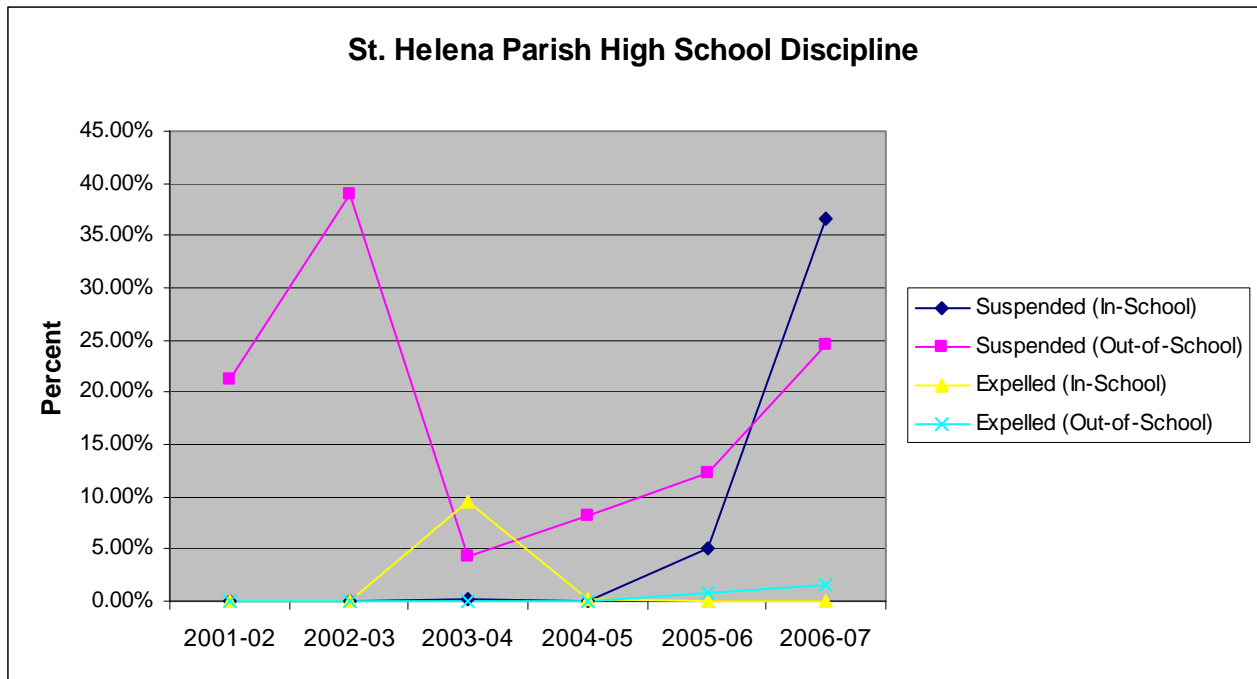
	2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05		2005-06		2006-07	
	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#
Grade K	6.1	8	6.6	7	8.5	8	0.9	1	1	1	4.6	5
Grade 1	10.8	14	21.6	27	8	9	13.4	13	12.8	15	4.2	5
Grade 2	1.8	2	4.3	5	7.1	7	10.9	12	2.2	2	8.1	8
Grade 3	14.1	14	19.4	24	19.5	23	0.9	1	3.1	3	4	4
Grade 4	27.2	37	7.4	9	20.2	20	19.3	22	21.8	27	0.8	1
Grade 5	2.4	2	0	0	1.2	1	0	0	0	0	5.3	5
Grade 6	7.2	7	1	1	3.9	4	3.1	3	1.1	1	7.7	8
Grade 7	5.9	7	3.4	3	6.5	6	0	0	4	4	7.1	7
Grade 8	4.1	5	11.3	12	3.6	3	10	10	14.9	17	13.7	17
Grade 9	21.2	24	19.7	27	22.3	23	27.5	30	26.4	32	23.1	28
Grade 10	16.9	14	11.5	11	8.7	9	27.1	23	7.1	6	22.4	22
Grade 11	13	7	2.9	2	0	0	10.3	10	7.1	5	14.3	11
Grade 12	5.4	4	5.7	3	6.6	5	5.4	4	7.7	7	21.4	18
All Grades	10.7	145	9.9	131	9.6	118	10.1	129	9.3	120	10.3	139



Risk Factor: Student Discipline

St. Helena Parish- High School **Discipline**

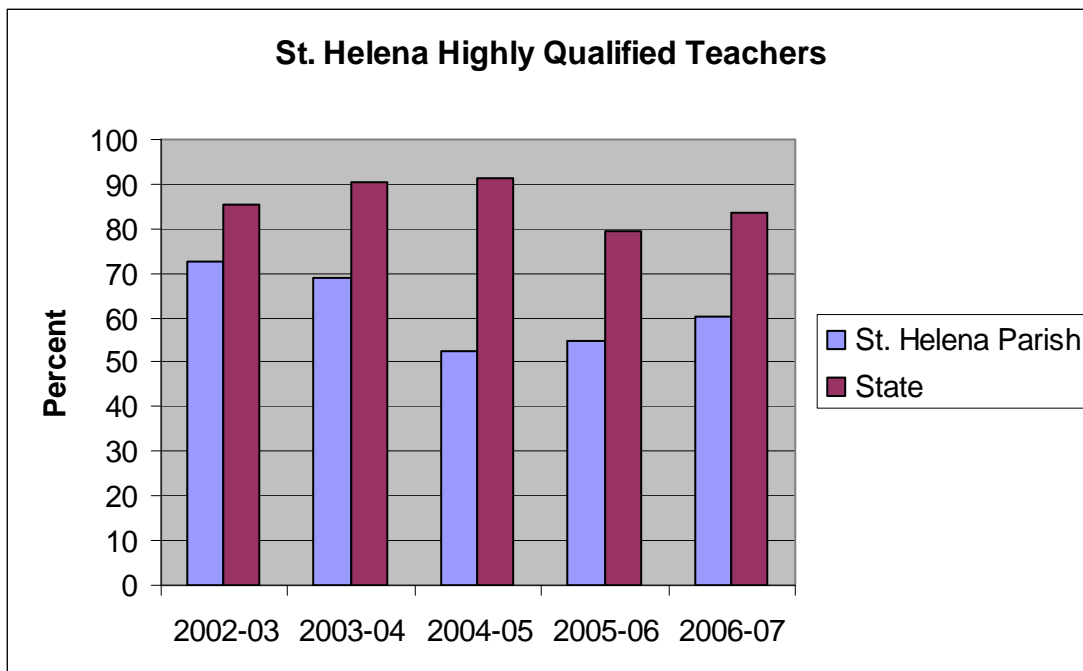
School Year	Suspension In-School		Suspension Out-of-School		Expulsion In-School		Expulsion Out-of-School	
	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#
2002-03	0.00%		39.00%	163	0.00%		0.00%	
2003-04	0.24%	1	4.29%	18	9.52%	40	0.00%	
2004-05	0.00%		8.14%	36	0.23%	1	0.00%	
2005-06	5.08%	25	12.20%	60	0.00%		0.81%	4
2006-07	36.56%	166	24.45%	111	0.00%		1.54%	7



Teacher Quality

Highly Qualified Teachers (Percentages)

	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
St. Helena Parish Core Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	72.7	68.8	52.4	55	60.2
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

St. Helena Parish Dropout Reasons

	Count	Percent
No Reason Given	35	76.1
Academic Difficulty	0	0
Behavioral Difficulty	0	0
Dislike of School Experience	5	10.9
Employment	4	8.7
Entered Criminal Justice System	0	0
Lack of Appropriate Curriculum	0	0
Military	0	0
Needed at Home	0	0
Parent/Guardian Influence	0	0
Pregnancy	2	4.3
Reason Unknown	0	0
Total	46	100

St. Helena Dropout Truancy

	Frequency	Percent
Non-Truant	36	78.3
Truant	10	21.7
Total	46	100
Louisiana Truant-Dropout Total	5,890	36.0

St. Helena Parish Dropout: Options Program Participation

	Count	Percent
Non-Options Participant	46	100
Option 3 (GED Program)	0	0
Total	46	100
Louisiana Dropout Option 3 Participants	1,924	11.7

St. Helena Dropout Homelessness

	St. Helena Counts	St. Helena Percent	Louisiana Dropout Counts	Louisiana Dropout Percents
Non-Homeless	44	95.7	15,834	96.6
Hotels/Motels	0	0	8	.0
Shelters	0	0	28	.2
Sharing Housing with Others	2	4.3	412	2.5
Unsheltered/FEMA	0	0	55	.3
Total	46	100	16,383	100

Risk Factor: Family Characteristics

St. Helena Parish Dropouts by **Gender**

	Count	Percent
Female	14	30.4
Male	32	69.6
Total	46	100

Louisiana Dropouts by **Gender**

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

St. Helena Parish Dropout **Poverty**

	Count	Percent
Paid Lunch	7	15.2
Free Lunch	39	84.8
Reduced Lunch	0	0
Total	46	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

St. Helena Parish Dropouts by **Ethnicity**

	Count	Percent
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	0	0
Asian/Pacific Islander	0	0
African American	43	93.5
Hispanic	0	0
Caucasian	3	6.5
Total	46	100

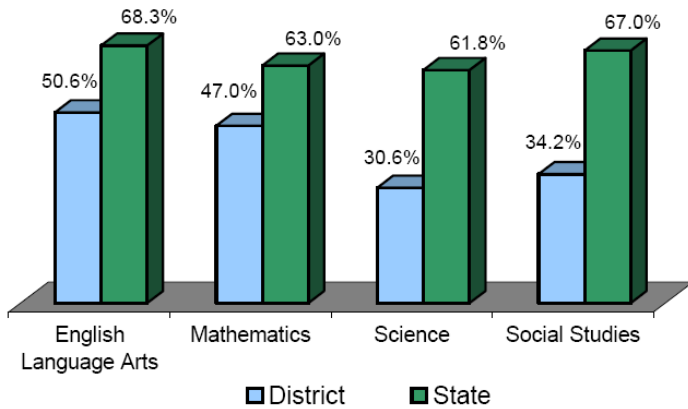
Louisiana Dropouts by **Ethnicity**

	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

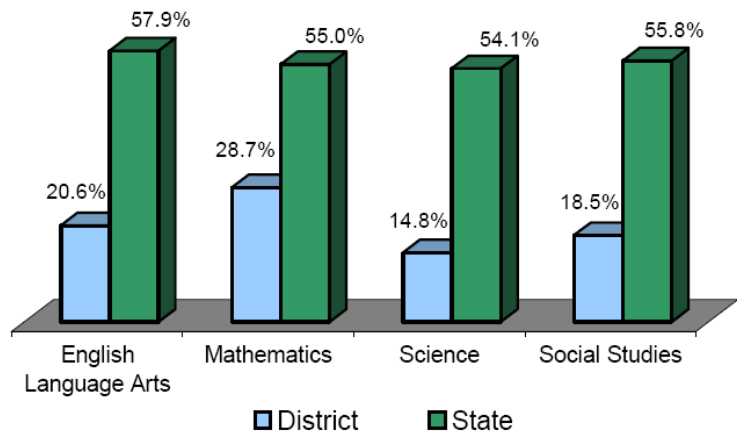
Grade 4 LEAP Test Results

Percent Scoring at Basic & Above
(2006-2007)



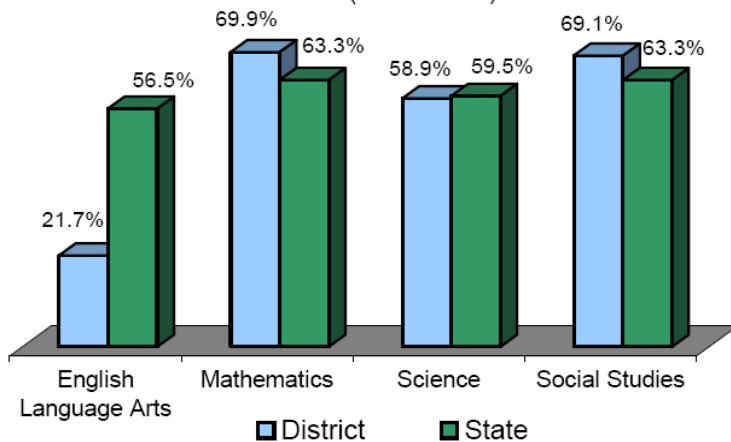
Grade 8 LEAP Test Results

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	0.9	1	0.9	1	0.9	1	0.0	0	0.8	1	0.0	0	0
Mastery*	4.3	5	5.5	6	7.0	8	6.5	8	2.5	3	5.9	5	5
Basic	24.8	29	40.4	44	24.3	28	36.6	45	26.9	32	44.7	38	38
Approaching Basic	35.0	41	33.9	37	29.6	34	28.5	35	37.0	44	18.8	16	16
Unsatisfactory	35.0	41	19.3	21	38.3	44	28.5	35	32.8	39	30.6	26	26
Mathematics													
Advanced	0.0	0	0.9	1	0.0	0	0.8	1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0
Mastery*	1.7	2	4.6	5	4.3	5	6.5	8	4.2	5	3.5	3	3
Basic	14.7	17	29.4	32	13.9	16	27.6	34	19.3	23	43.5	37	37
Approaching Basic	42.2	49	29.4	32	30.4	35	27.6	34	26.1	31	28.2	24	24
Unsatisfactory	41.4	48	35.8	39	51.3	59	37.4	46	50.4	60	24.7	21	21
Science													
Advanced	0.0	0	0.9	1	0.0	0	1.6	2	0.8	1	0.0	0	0
Mastery*	1.7	2	3.7	4	0.9	1	4.9	6	0.8	1	1.2	1	1
Basic	17.9	21	23.9	26	26.1	30	35.0	43	17.6	21	29.4	25	25
Approaching Basic	44.4	52	50.5	55	44.3	51	43.1	53	44.5	53	38.8	33	33
Unsatisfactory	35.9	42	21.1	23	28.7	33	15.4	19	36.1	43	30.6	26	26
Social Studies													
Advanced	0.0	0	0.9	1	0.0	0	0.8	1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0
Mastery*	1.7	2	3.7	4	0.9	1	0.8	1	0.8	1	2.4	2	2
Basic	17.1	20	33.9	37	21.7	25	26.8	33	17.6	21	31.8	27	27
Approaching Basic	33.3	39	33.0	36	31.3	36	36.6	45	35.3	42	21.2	18	18
Unsatisfactory	47.9	56	28.4	31	46.1	53	35.0	43	46.2	55	44.7	38	38

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
District									
English Language Arts									
Advanced		0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Mastery*		2.8	3	2.5	2	5.4	5	2.9	3
Basic		19.4	21	19.0	15	28.0	26	11.5	12
Approaching Basic		56.5	61	58.2	46	47.3	44	44.2	46
Unsatisfactory		21.3	23	20.3	16	19.4	18	41.3	43
Mathematics									
Advanced		0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Mastery*		0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	1.0	1
Basic		29.6	32	29.1	23	63.4	59	10.6	11
Approaching Basic		38.9	42	38.0	30	17.2	16	26.0	27
Unsatisfactory		31.5	34	32.9	26	19.4	18	62.5	65
Science									
Advanced		0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Mastery*		1.0	1	0.0	0	1.1	1	0.0	0
Basic		6.7	7	29.1	23	28.0	26	11.5	12
Approaching Basic		40.4	42	54.4	43	38.7	36	41.3	43
Unsatisfactory		51.9	54	16.5	13	32.3	30	47.1	49
Social Studies									
Advanced		0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Mastery*		0.0	0	0.0	0	1.1	1	1.0	1
Basic		12.5	13	17.7	14	35.5	33	10.7	11
Approaching Basic		27.9	29	43.0	34	34.4	32	24.3	25
Unsatisfactory		59.6	62	39.2	31	29.0	27	64.1	66

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
District									
English Language Arts									
Advanced	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Mastery*	2.5	2	0.9	1	1.1	1	8.3	7	1.2
Basic	27.2	22	16.8	18	21.7	20	37.2	32	51.2
Approaching Basic	34.6	28	35.5	38	39.1	36	23.3	20	17.9
Unsatisfactory	35.8	29	46.7	50	38.0	35	39.5	34	22.6
Mathematics									
Advanced	1.2	1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	1.2
Mastery*	4.9	4	4.8	5	1.1	1	1.2	1	8.1
Basic	39.5	32	65.7	69	34.8	32	24.7	21	40.7
Approaching Basic	22.2	18	15.2	16	19.6	18	17.6	15	14.0
Unsatisfactory	32.1	26	14.3	15	44.6	41	56.5	48	36.0
Science									
Advanced	0.0	0	1.5	1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Mastery*	9.5	7	1.5	1	3.7	4	1.2	1	0.0
Basic	35.1	26	26.9	18	24.3	26	11.1	9	9.5
Approaching Basic	25.7	19	37.3	25	40.2	43	23.5	19	31.1
Unsatisfactory	29.7	22	32.8	22	31.8	34	64.2	52	59.5
Social Studies									
Advanced	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Mastery*	0.0	0	1.5	1	0.0	0	1.3	1	0.0
Basic	43.2	32	16.4	11	42.1	45	16.3	13	18.7
Approaching Basic	25.7	19	28.4	19	31.8	34	21.3	17	36.0
Unsatisfactory	31.1	23	53.7	36	26.2	28	61.3	49	45.3