

Tensas Parish Dropout Profile



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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

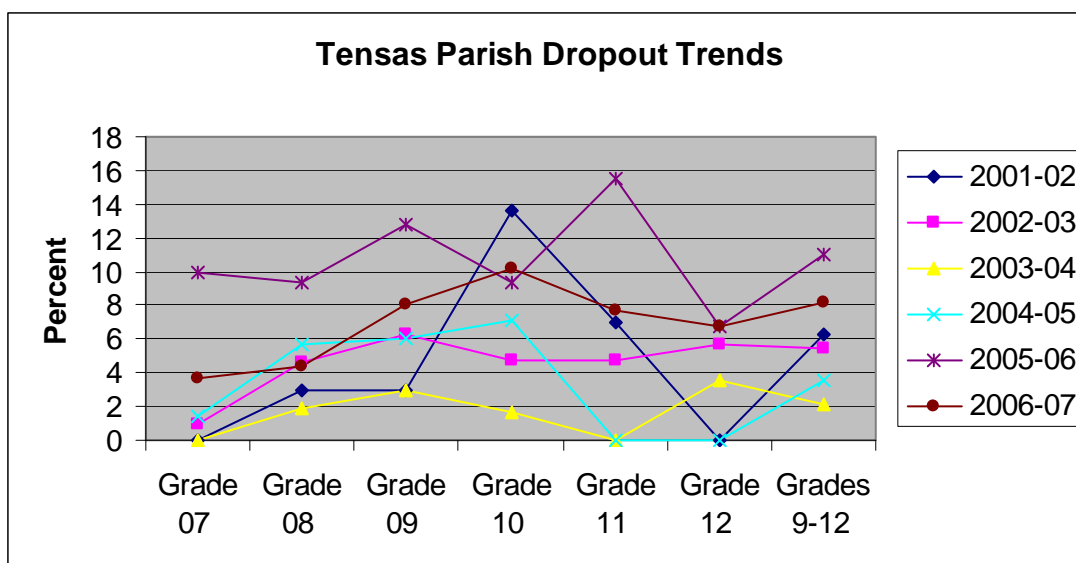
- High-Risk Peer Group
- High-Risk Social Behavior
- Highly Active Outside of School

Individual Background Characteristics

- Has a Learning Disability or Emotional Disturbance

Tensas Parish Dropout Trends (Percentages)

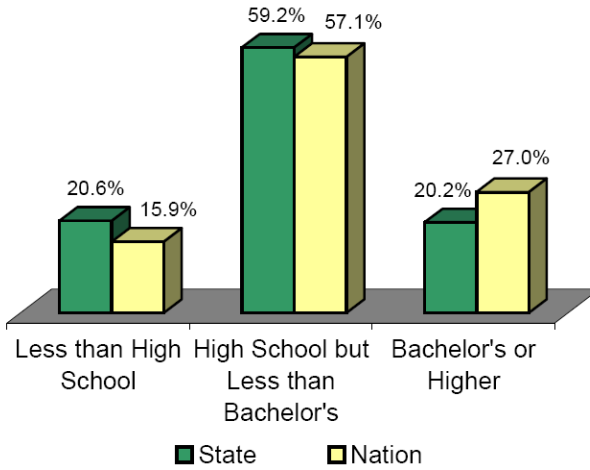
Year	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12	Grades 9-12
2001-02	0	3	3	13.6	7	0	6.3
2002-03	1	4.6	6.3	4.7	4.7	5.7	5.4
2003-04	0	1.9	3	1.7	0	3.6	2.1
2004-05	1.4	5.7	6	7.1	0	0	3.5
2005-06	9.9	9.4	12.8	9.3	15.5	6.8	11
2006-07	3.7	4.4	8	10.2	7.7	6.8	8.2



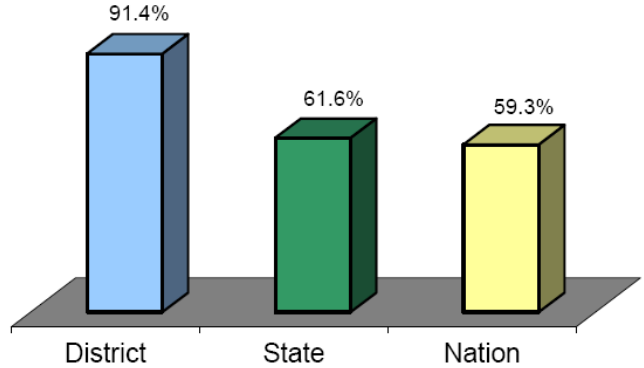
Louisiana Dropout Trends (Percentages)

	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

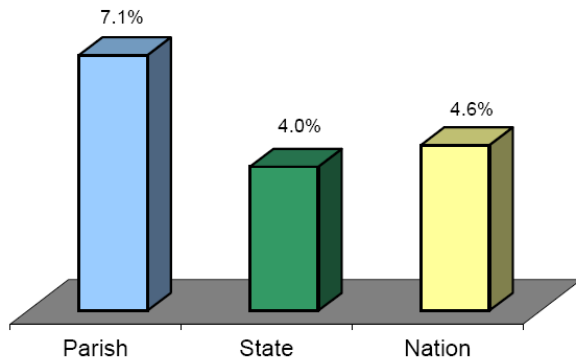
Educational Attainment at State and National Levels



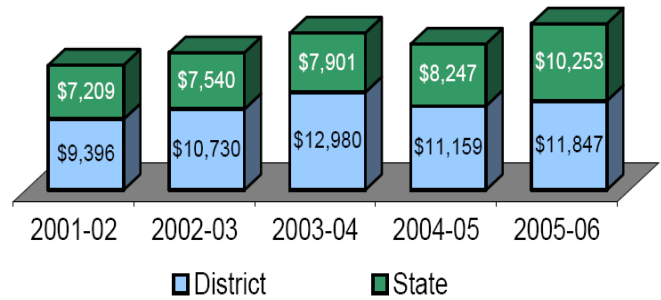
Student Participation in the Federal Free or Reduced Price Lunch Program



Unemployment Rate



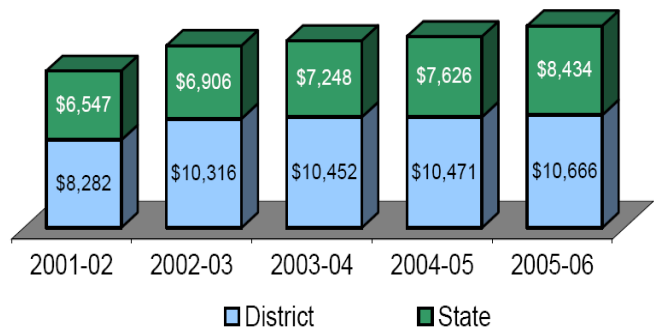
Revenues Per Pupil (Elementary/Secondary Enrollment)



Income and Poverty

	Parish	State	Nation
Median Household Income	\$21,040	\$35,216	\$44,334
Persons Below Poverty	31.3%	19.2%	12.7%
Children Below Poverty	48.2%	27.8%	18.3%

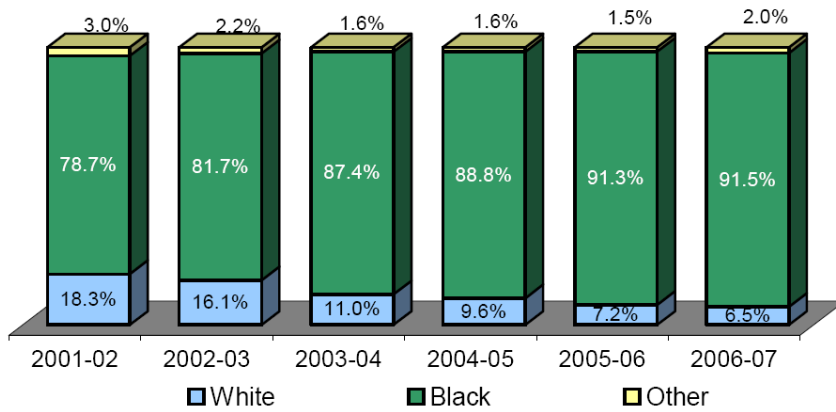
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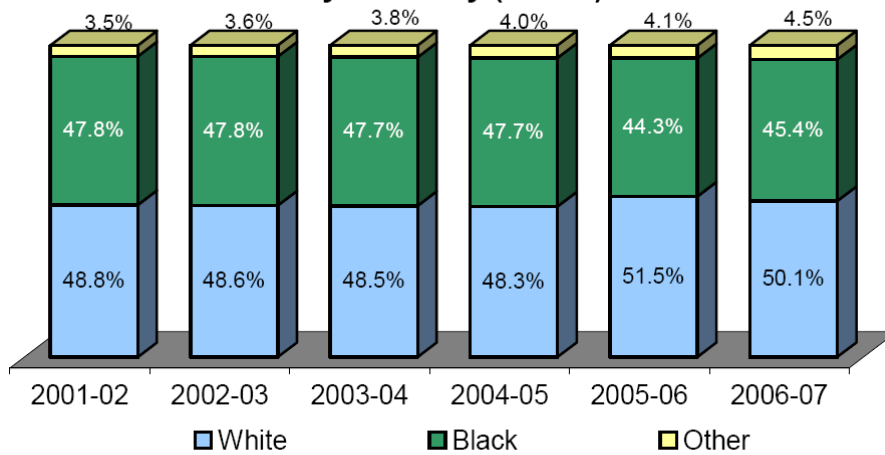
Teenage Birth and Single Motherhood

	Parish	State	Nation
Teenage Birth Rate	13.4%	14.4%	10.0%
Female Householders	16.1%	16.1%	12.5%

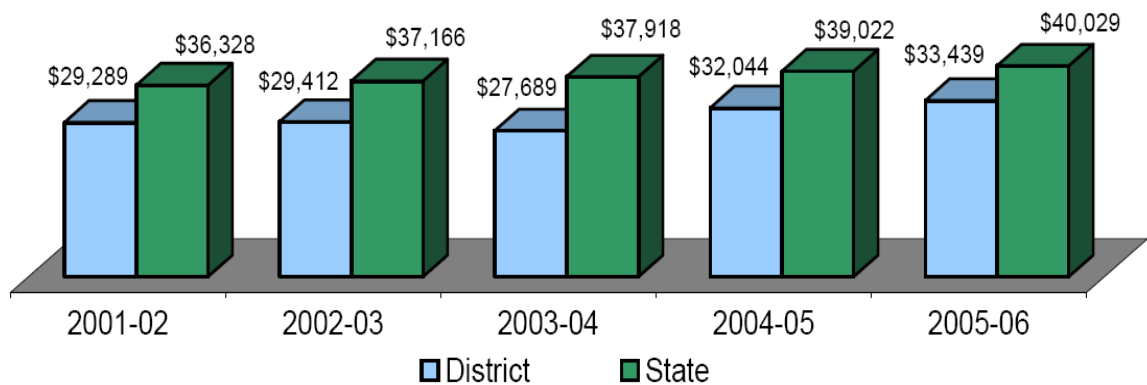
District's Public Student Population by Ethnicity (PK-12)



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



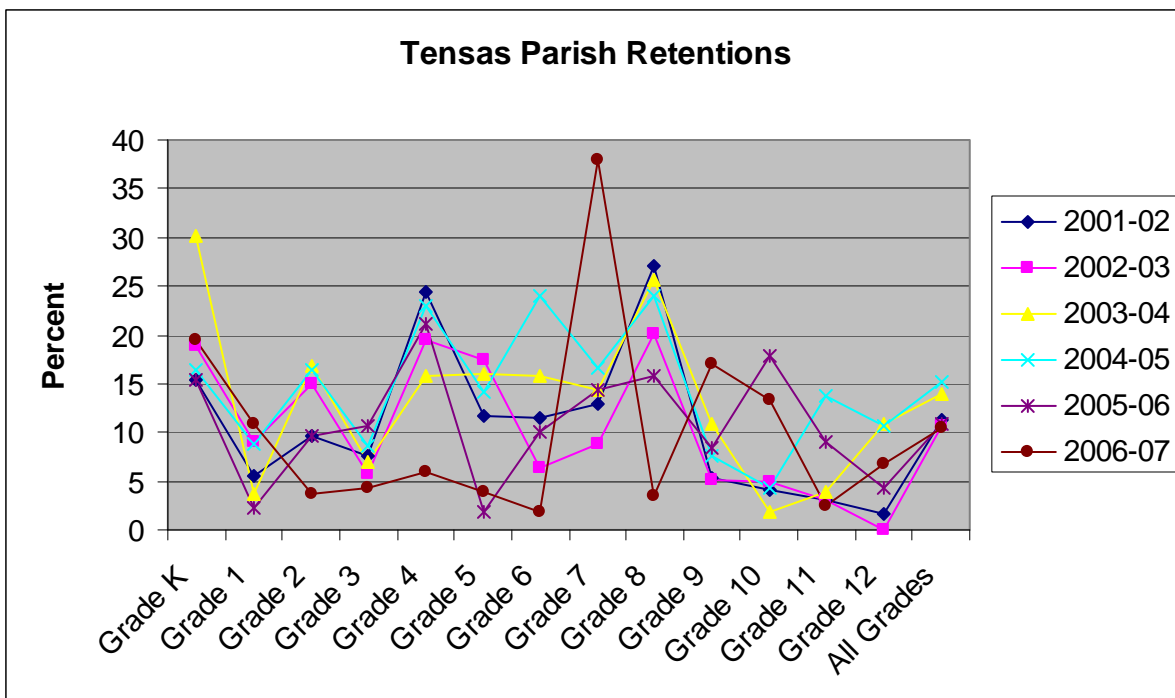
Average Classroom Teacher Salary



Risk Factor: Student Retention

Tensas Parish Student Retention

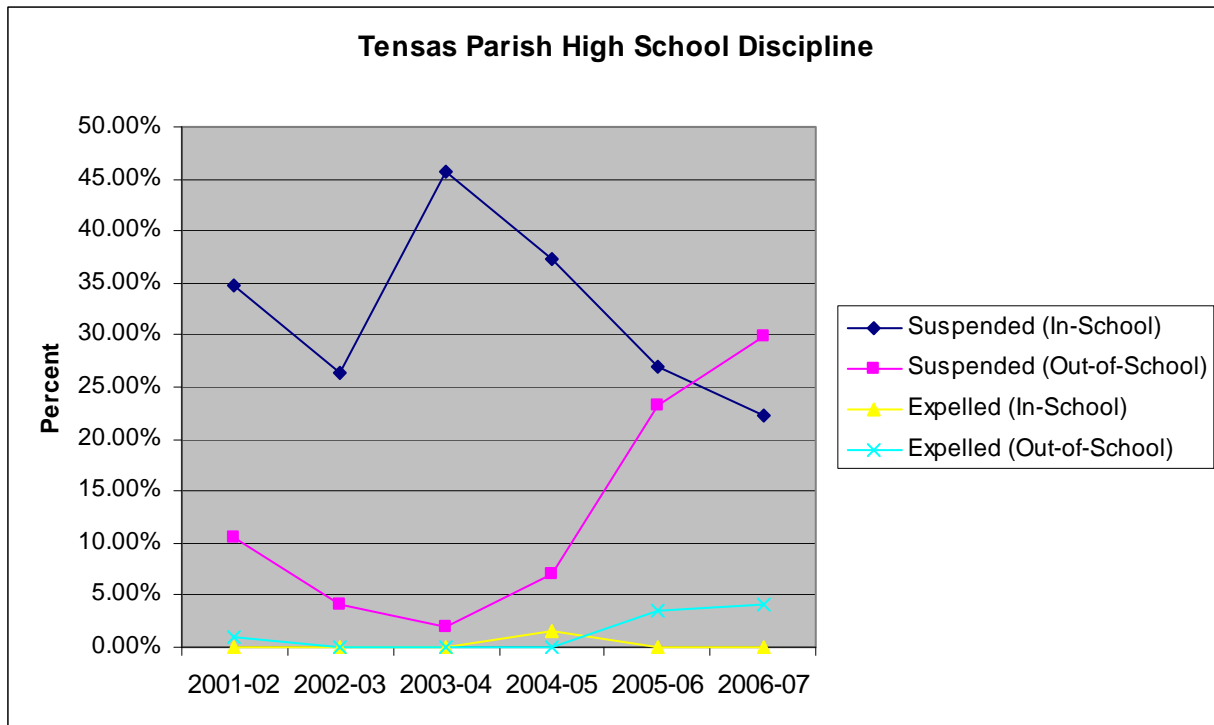
	2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05		2005-06		2006-07	
	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#
Grade K	15.4	10	18.8	13	30.2	19	16.5	16	15.3	11	19.4	18
Grade 1	5.5	3	9.1	5	3.6	2	8.9	5	2.3	2	10.9	7
Grade 2	9.7	7	15	9	16.9	12	16.4	11	9.6	5	3.6	3
Grade 3	7.5	5	5.7	3	7	4	8.7	6	10.7	6	4.3	2
Grade 4	24.4	19	19.4	14	15.7	11	23	14	21.2	14	5.9	4
Grade 5	11.6	11	17.4	12	16	12	14.1	9	1.8	1	3.8	2
Grade 6	11.5	10	6.3	6	15.8	9	24	18	10	7	1.8	1
Grade 7	12.9	11	8.9	7	14.3	13	16.7	9	14.3	9	37.9	22
Grade 8	27	20	20.2	17	25.7	18	24.1	19	15.8	9	3.4	2
Grade 9	5.3	4	5.1	3	10.9	7	7.5	4	8.5	5	17	8
Grade 10	4.2	3	5	3	1.9	1	4.3	2	17.8	8	13.3	8
Grade 11	3	2	3.1	2	3.9	2	13.7	7	9.1	4	2.4	1
Grade 12	1.7	1	0	0	10.9	6	10.6	5	4.4	2	6.8	3
All	11.2	106	10.7	94	13.9	116	15.2	125	10.8	83	10.5	81



Risk Factor: Student Discipline

Tensas Parish- High School **Discipline**

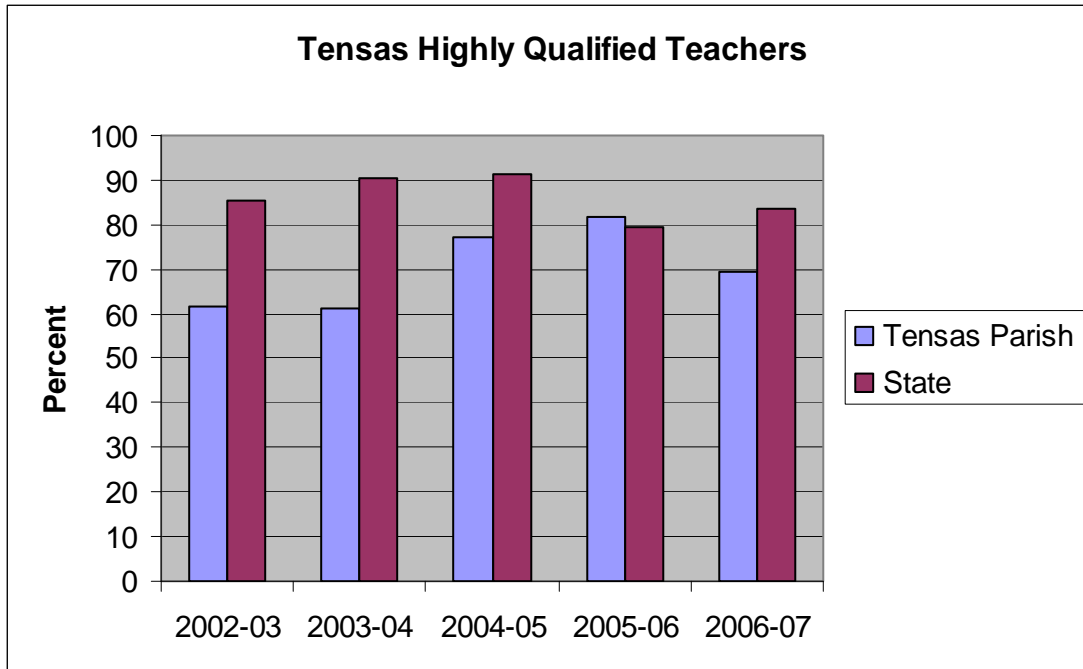
School Year	Suspension In-School		Suspension Out-of-School		Expulsion In-School		Expulsion Out-of-School	
	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#
2002-03	26.29%	51	4.12%	8	0.00%		0.00%	
2003-04	45.73%	91	2.01%	4	0.00%		0.00%	
2004-05	37.31%	75	6.97%	14	1.49%	3	0.00%	
2005-06	27.04%	86	23.27%	74	0.00%		3.46%	11
2006-07	22.26%	61	29.93%	82	0.00%		4.01%	11



Teacher Quality

Highly Qualified Teachers (Percentages)

	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Tensas Parish Core Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	61.8	61.1	77.3	81.7	69.3
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

Tensas Parish Dropout **Reasons**

	Count	Percent
No Reason Given	13	86.7
Academic Difficulty	0	0
Behavioral Difficulty	0	0
Dislike of School Experience	0	0
Employment	0	0
Entered Criminal Justice System	0	0
Failed Required Test	0	0
Military	0	0
Health Problems	1	6.7
Parent/Guardian Influence	0	0
Pregnancy	0	0
Reason Unknown	1	6.7
Total	15	100

Tensas Dropout **Truancy**

	Frequency	Percent
Non-Truant	11	73.3
Truant	4	26.7
Total	15	100
Louisiana Truant-Dropout Total	5,890	36.0

Tensas Parish Dropout: **Options Program Participation**

	Count	Percent
Non-Options Participant	14	93.3
Option 3 (GED Program)	1	6.7
Total	15	100
Louisiana Dropout Option 3 Participants	1,924	11.7

Tensas Dropout **Homelessness**

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

Risk Factor: Family Characteristics

Tensas Parish Dropouts by **Gender**

	Count	Percent
Female	3	20.0
Male	12	80.0
Total	15	100

Louisiana Dropouts by **Gender**

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

Tensas Parish Dropout **Poverty**

	Count	Percent
Paid Lunch	7	46.7
Free Lunch	8	53.3
Reduced Lunch	0	0
Total	15	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

Tensas Parish Dropouts by **Ethnicity**

	Count	Percent
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	0	0
Asian/Pacific Islander	0	0
African American	14	93.3
Hispanic	0	0
Caucasian	1	6.7
Total	15	100

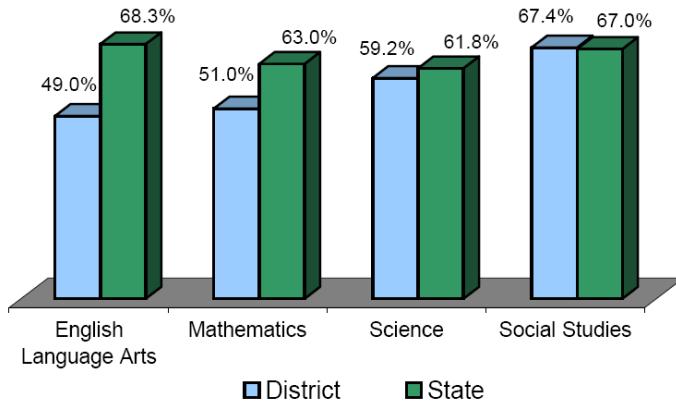
Louisiana Dropouts by **Ethnicity**

	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

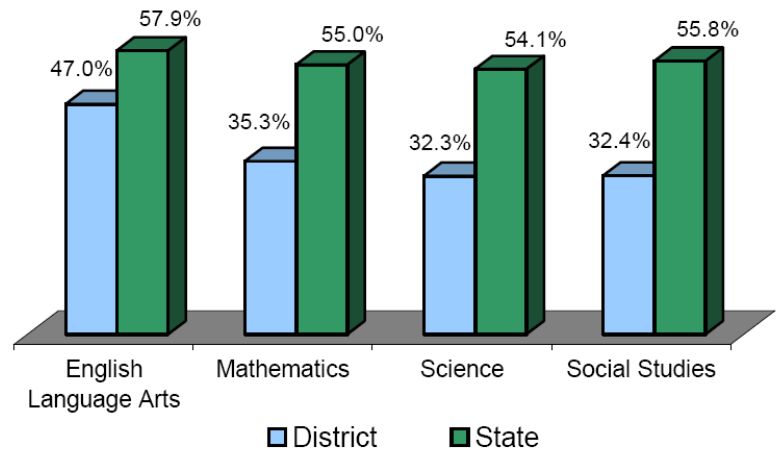
Grade 4 LEAP Test Results

Percent Scoring at Basic & Above
(2006-2007)



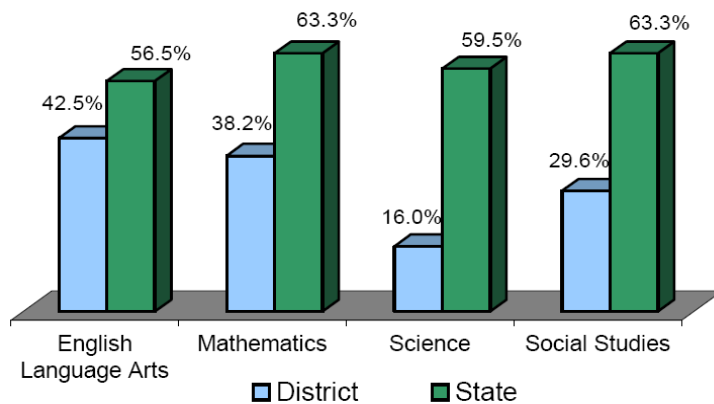
Grade 8 LEAP Test Results

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	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	1.5	1	1.5	1	0.0	0
	Mastery*	0.0	0	2.9	2	6.6	4	6.0	4	7.7	5	10.2	5
	Basic	26.0	20	38.2	26	36.1	22	43.3	29	43.1	28	38.8	19
	Approaching Basic	35.1	27	33.8	23	29.5	18	26.9	18	23.1	15	28.6	14
	Unsatisfactory	39.0	30	25.0	17	27.9	17	22.4	15	24.6	16	22.4	11
	Mathematics												
	Advanced	0.0	0	1.5	1	0.0	0	3.0	2	1.5	1	0.0	0
	Mastery*	1.3	1	5.9	4	3.3	2	7.5	5	3.1	2	4.1	2
	Basic	14.3	11	32.4	22	36.1	22	28.4	19	52.3	34	46.9	23
	Approaching Basic	23.4	18	33.8	23	26.2	16	34.3	23	26.2	17	20.4	10
	Unsatisfactory	61.0	47	26.5	18	34.4	21	26.9	18	16.9	11	28.6	14
	Science												
	Advanced	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	1.5	1	0.0	0	0.0	0
	Mastery*	0.0	0	5.9	4	6.6	4	6.0	4	9.2	6	4.1	2
	Basic	27.3	21	27.9	19	34.4	21	34.3	23	38.5	25	55.1	27
	Approaching Basic	44.2	34	41.2	28	42.6	26	50.7	34	32.3	21	24.5	12
	Unsatisfactory	28.6	22	25.0	17	16.4	10	7.5	5	20.0	13	16.3	8
	Social Studies												
	Advanced	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
	Mastery*	0.0	0	4.4	3	0.0	0	3.0	2	6.2	4	4.1	2
	Basic	28.6	22	38.2	26	47.5	29	40.3	27	40.0	26	63.3	31
	Approaching Basic	29.9	23	26.5	18	39.3	24	34.3	23	29.2	19	10.2	5
	Unsatisfactory	41.6	32	30.9	21	13.1	8	22.4	15	24.6	16	22.4	11

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	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
	Mastery*	7.5	6	2.8	2	1.3	1	2.2	1	1.9	1	2.9	1
	Basic	18.8	15	34.7	25	17.3	13	28.3	13	25.9	14	44.1	15
	Approaching Basic	57.5	46	37.5	27	54.7	41	37.0	17	53.7	29	44.1	15
	Unsatisfactory	16.3	13	25.0	18	26.7	20	32.6	15	18.5	10	8.8	3
	Mathematics												
	Advanced	0.0	0	1.4	1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
	Mastery*	1.3	1	0.0	0	1.3	1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
	Basic	20.0	16	19.4	14	34.7	26	41.3	19	34.0	18	35.3	12
	Approaching Basic	32.5	26	34.7	25	28.0	21	23.9	11	30.2	16	38.2	13
	Unsatisfactory	46.3	37	44.4	32	36.0	27	34.8	16	35.8	19	26.5	9
	Science												
	Advanced	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
	Mastery*	7.5	6	1.4	1	5.3	4	2.2	1	0.0	0	2.9	1
	Basic	17.5	14	25.0	18	26.7	20	23.9	11	19.6	10	29.4	10
	Approaching Basic	43.8	35	37.5	27	25.3	19	39.1	18	60.8	31	44.1	15
	Unsatisfactory	31.3	25	36.1	26	42.7	32	34.8	16	19.6	10	23.5	8
	Social Studies												
	Advanced	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
	Mastery*	2.5	2	1.4	1	5.3	4	4.3	2	0.0	0	0.0	0
	Basic	38.8	31	27.8	20	20.0	15	43.5	20	19.6	10	32.4	11
	Approaching Basic	42.5	34	37.5	27	42.7	32	21.7	10	47.1	24	41.2	14
	Unsatisfactory	16.3	13	33.3	24	32.0	24	30.4	14	33.3	17	26.5	9

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	0.0	0	0.0	0	1.9	1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Mastery*	5.2	3	0.0	0	5.7	3	15.0	6	0.0	0	6.1	2
Basic	19.0	11	25.0	14	43.4	23	30.0	12	32.1	18	36.4	12
Approaching Basic	41.4	24	42.9	24	22.6	12	32.5	13	35.7	20	33.3	11
Unsatisfactory	34.5	20	32.1	18	26.4	14	22.5	9	32.1	18	24.2	8
Mathematics												
Advanced	0.0	0	1.8	1	3.8	2	5.0	2	1.9	1	2.9	1
Mastery*	3.4	2	1.8	1	3.8	2	2.5	1	1.9	1	0.0	0
Basic	22.4	13	25.5	14	46.2	24	35.0	14	25.9	14	35.3	12
Approaching Basic	25.9	15	25.5	14	23.1	12	17.5	7	35.2	19	32.4	11
Unsatisfactory	48.3	28	45.5	25	23.1	12	40.0	16	35.2	19	29.4	10
Science												
Advanced	1.5	1	0.0	0	0.0	0	2.9	1	0.0	0	0.0	0
Mastery*	4.5	3	2.0	1	2.2	1	2.9	1	0.0	0	4.6	2
Basic	28.4	19	22.0	11	35.6	16	29.4	10	26.2	11	11.4	5
Approaching Basic	25.4	17	44.0	22	31.1	14	41.2	14	26.2	11	36.4	16
Unsatisfactory	40.3	27	32.0	16	31.1	14	23.5	8	47.6	20	47.7	21
Social Studies												
Advanced	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Mastery*	1.5	1	2.0	1	0.0	0	8.8	3	2.4	1	4.6	2
Basic	28.4	19	36.0	18	42.2	19	52.9	18	35.7	15	25.0	11
Approaching Basic	29.9	20	40.0	20	31.1	14	32.4	11	35.7	15	27.3	12
Unsatisfactory	40.3	27	22.0	11	26.7	12	5.9	2	26.2	11	43.2	19