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Introduction

Background and Purpose

The Flintridge Foundation has commissioned a report that examines the unmet needs of the Northwest Pasadena and Altadena population. This report will be used by the Foundation Board for strategic planning and as a source of information to support services that will benefit these communities. This component of the report presents and analyzes selected data sets that focus on children and families.

Methods

Secondary Data Collection

Secondary data were collected by obtaining and analyzing a variety of local, County, and State sources to present a community profile, birth and death characteristics, and school and student characteristics.

Analyses were conducted at the most local level possible for Northwest Pasadena and West Altadena, given the availability of the data. For example:

- Analyses of the 2000 U.S. Census data include the following selected census tracts: 4602, 4603.1, 4603.2, 4608, 4609, 4610, 4611, 4615, 4616, 4617, 4619, 4620, 4621, and 4622.
- Data available by zip code only (e.g., the birth and death data available from the state) uses Altadena zip code 91001 and City of Pasadena zip code 91103.
- California Department of Education data was analyzed for the following selected schools located in the target areas that are part of the Pasadena Unified School District: Altadena Elementary, Cleveland Elementary, Franklin Elementary, Jackson Elementary, John Muir High School, Loma Alta Elementary, Madison Elementary, Washington Accelerated Elementary, and Washington Middle School.

When available, statistics from the County of Los Angeles and State of California are used to present a comparison of data findings.

This report presents a two-page data summary that provides highlights of the data findings. This is followed by a detailed narrative examining each of the data sets individually. Finally, selected demographics are presented graphically to enhance the understanding of the target communities.

Overview of Highlights and Key Findings

This overview summarizes some of the significant data findings drawn from analysis of the secondary data. Full data descriptions, findings, and citations follow in the full report. The data included throughout this report are localized to the greatest extent possible to Northwest Pasadena and West Altadena. The categories used in this section follow those used in the other Flintridge Foundation Community Assessment documents.

Demographics

- The population of Altadena and Northwest Pasadena is 80,006.
- Close to one-third (32%) of the population of Altadena/Northwest Pasadena is between the ages of 0-19; over half (58%) are adults 20-64; and 10% are seniors, age 65 and over.
- Latinos and African Americans together comprise 75% of the population (Latinos are 44% and African Americans are 31%). Whites comprise 19% of the population, and there are relatively few Asians (5%). Since 1990 there has been a decrease in the White and African American population and an increase in Latinos.
- In 2004, there were 1,009 total births in Altadena and Northwest Pasadena. In 2005, total births decreased to 928. The majority of the births in 2005 were to mothers who are Latino (54%) and African American (20%).
- Nearly one-quarter (23%) of the population do not speak English well.

Health and Health Care

- Heart disease and cancer account for over half (54%) of all deaths in Altadena/Northwest Pasadena. Heart disease as a cause of death is higher in this area (34%) than in Los Angeles County (32%) or the State of California (29%). The area also has higher death rates caused by stroke (the third leading cause of death, at 9%) than those of the County (7%) and State (7%). For all other leading causes of death, Altadena/Northwest Pasadena have lower rates than found in the County and the State, including cancer, diabetes, accidents, and others.
- Teen pregnancy rates are 9% of the total births.
- The rate of low birth weight births is 94.1 per 1,000 births, which is notably higher than the County (70.7) and State (67.0) rates.
- Within the Pasadena Health District, 29% of adults are overweight and 17% are obese. These percentages are less than among adults in the County, where 36% of adults are overweight and 21% are obese.
- Of children ages 0-19 in Pasadena, 15% are at risk of obesity and 19% are considered obese at the 95th percentile or greater, compared to 23% of children in the County who are obese.

Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drug Use

- Within the Pasadena Unified School District, 58% of 11th graders have tried alcohol and 34% have smoked marijuana.
- Over 90% of 7th, 9th and 11th graders identify that smoking cigarettes is harmful. The knowledge that cigarettes are harmful may relate to lower numbers of high school students using tobacco.
- Pasadena Unified School District High School students are showing a trend of increasing alcohol and drug use as they move to the higher grades. Among 11th graders, 33% have been very drunk and 32% have been high from drugs.

Quality Education

- Of residents age 25 and over, 30% have not graduated high school.
- Ninety-five percent of the public schools' population in Northwest Pasadena and West Altadena is Latino and African American, with Latinos comprising just over two-thirds (67%) and African Americans just under one-third (28%) of the population. Only 3% of students are White and 0.6% is Asian.
- In West Altadena and Northwest Pasadena, 11.1% of the children and youth in grades K-12 attend private schools.
- On average, there are 6.4 students per computer and 18.4 students per teacher at area schools.
- Almost one-third of students (32%) are English learners; when viewed individually by school, however, rates reach as high as 61%.
- Four area schools exceed the District wide Academic Performance Index (API) score of 701, and five area schools fall below the District average.
- On average, 55% of students have achieved basic proficiency in math and 56% of students have basic proficiency in language arts.
- The annual drop out rate for students at John Muir High School is 8%, considerably higher than the District rate of 3.9% and County rate of 3.7%. The four year drop out rate at Muir is 29% - almost double that of the District (15%) and the County (15%).
- One-half of the graduating students at John Muir High School (50%) are UC/CSU eligible. This is comparable to the district (52%) and higher than the County (40%) rate of eligible graduating high school seniors.

Financial Security and Affordable Housing

- The median family income is \$53,450, yet this masks the underlying poverty; 19% of the population live at or below 100% of the Federal Poverty Level and 8% of the population are unemployed.
- The West Altadena/Northwest Pasadena area has 45.1% of the population living below 200% of the federal poverty threshold.
- Over 8 in 10 children (83%) in area schools are eligible for the free or reduced price lunch program; and females head nearly one in five (18%) of the households.
- Homelessness has decreased in the Pasadena area by 16.8% from 2006. There are 969 homeless individuals – 755 are adults and 214 are children.
- West Altadena/Northwest Pasadena has 26,395 housing units with a 96% occupancy rate. Renters occupy 50% of the housing units.

Violence and Safety

- Within Altadena and Pasadena, the number of domestic violence calls involving a weapon have increased from 2003-2005; the domestic violence calls not involving a weapon have decreased.
- Adult and juvenile arrests for felonies in Altadena and Pasadena have decreased from 2004 to 2005.
- Drug-related offenses accounted for 854 arrests among adults and 43 arrests among juveniles in 2005.

Youth and Family Support

- There are 243 foster children in family households and 74 foster children in non-family households in the Altadena and Northwest Pasadena census tracts.

Community Profile

Population

The population for the selected West Altadena and Northwest Pasadena census tracts is 80,006. Almost one-third (32.4%) of the population is children and youth, ages 0-19; 38.3% are 20-44 years of age; 19.4% are 45-64; and 9.9% of the population are seniors, 65 years of age and older. The area has slightly higher percentages of children ages 5-14 than found in Los Angeles County and the State.

Population by Age, 2000

| | West Altadena & Northwest Pasadena Census Tracts | | Los Angeles County | California |
|------------|---|----------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| | Number | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| Ages 0-4 | 6,405 | 8.0% | 7.7% | 7.3% |
| Ages 5-9 | 7,242 | 9.1% | 8.4% | 8.0% |
| Ages 10-14 | 6,575 | 8.2% | 7.6% | 7.6% |
| Ages 15-19 | 5,665 | 7.1% | 7.2% | 7.2% |
| Ages 20-24 | 5,343 | 6.7% | 7.4% | 7.0% |
| Ages 25-44 | 25,321 | 31.6% | 32.5% | 31.6% |
| Ages 45-64 | 15,538 | 19.4% | 19.5% | 20.7% |
| Ages 65+ | 7,917 | 9.9% | 9.7% | 10.6% |
| Total | 80,006 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Race/Ethnicity

The population of West Altadena/Northwest Pasadena consists primarily of Latinos (43.6%) and African Americans (30.6%). Whites comprise 18.9% of the population, and Native Americans, Asian/Pacific Islanders and other races combined total only 6.8% of the population. The area has a notably larger percentage of African Americans, and a smaller percentage of Whites and Asian/Pacific Islanders, compared to Los Angeles County. The percentage of Latinos in the population is comparable to the County.

Race and Ethnicity, 2000

| | West Altadena & Northwest Pasadena Census Tracts | | Los Angeles County | California |
|--|---|----------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| | Number | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| White | 15,121 | 18.9% | 30.9% | 46.6% |
| Black or African American | 24,508 | 30.6% | 9.4% | 6.3% |
| Hispanic or Latino | 34,922 | 43.6% | 44.6% | 32.4% |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 723 | 0.9% | 0.3% | 0.5% |
| Asian/Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander | 3,703 | 4.6% | 12.1% | 11.1% |
| Other | 1,029 | 1.3% | 2.8% | 3.1% |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Race and ethnicity for 1990 were examined in comparison to 2000. The 2000 Census used a different method than the 1990 Census for identifying and reporting Race data. This is seen by the measurement of Hispanic race shown as a percentage separate from the ethnicity data. While the different method to reporting race and ethnicity data makes comparisons more difficult, the data still show an overall trend toward a decrease in White and African American residents and an increase in Latino residents.

Race and Ethnicity, 1990

| | West Altadena & Northwest Pasadena Census Tracts | Los Angeles County | California |
|--|---|---------------------------|-------------------|
| | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| White | 31.4% | 56.9% | 68.9% |
| Black or African American | 42.4% | 11.2% | 7.4% |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 0.5% | 0.5% | 0.8% |
| Asian/Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander | 4.4% | 10.7% | 9.5% |
| Other | 21.3% | 20.7% | 13.4% |
| Hispanic/Latino Origin of any Race | 34.3% | 37.8% | 37.5% |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1990

Unemployment

West Altadena/Northwest Pasadena has an 8.2% unemployment rate, which is the same as the unemployment rate found in Los Angeles County, and higher than in Altadena and Pasadena cities and the State.

Unemployment, 2000

| | West Altadena & Northwest Pasadena Census Tracts | Altadena and Pasadena | Los Angeles County | California |
|--------------------|---|------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| Unemployed Persons | 8.2% | 6.4% | 8.2% | 7.0% |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Income

There are 17,345 families in West Altadena/Northwest Pasadena. The median family income is \$53,540. Families exhibit a slightly higher median family income when compared to families in Los Angeles County and the State. But this does not tell the entire story. Among these census tracts, 5,044 households report annual incomes higher than the median income, ranging from \$54,135 - \$154,709, equaling 29.1% of the households living above the median family income for the area. This translates to 70.9% of the households (9 of the 14 census tracts) living with incomes significantly below the average, from \$25,676 - \$45,603.

Median Family Income, 2000

| | West Altadena & Northwest Pasadena Census Tracts | Los Angeles County | California |
|----------------------|--|--------------------|------------|
| Number of Families | 17,345 | 2,154,311 | 7,985,489 |
| Median Family Income | \$53,540 | \$46,452 | \$53,025 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Poverty

Poverty thresholds are used for calculating all official poverty population statistics. They are updated each year by the Census Bureau. For 2000 the federal poverty threshold for one person was \$8,794 and for a family of four \$17,603. The poverty rate continues to tell the story of high levels of low-income residents in the West Altadena/Northwest Pasadena area with 18.6% of residents living at 100% of the Federal Poverty Level. This is a higher rate than found in the cities as a whole, the County and the State.

Ratio of Income to Poverty Level, 2000

| | West Altadena & Northwest Pasadena Census Tracts | Altadena and Pasadena | Los Angeles County | California |
|---------------------------------|--|-----------------------|--------------------|------------|
| | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| Individuals Below Poverty Level | 18.6% | 14.8% | 17.9% | 14.2% |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Population Living Below 200% of Poverty

West Altadena/Northwest Pasadena has a higher percentage (45.1%) of the population living below 200% of the federal poverty threshold than the cities of Altadena and Pasadena, the County and the State.

Population Living Below 200% of Poverty, 2000

| Ratio of Income to Poverty Level | West Altadena & Northwest Pasadena Census Tracts | Altadena and Pasadena | Los Angeles County | California |
|----------------------------------|--|-----------------------|--------------------|------------|
| <200% of Poverty | 45.1% | 32.9% | 40.0% | 33.1% |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Housing and Households

There are over 26,000 housing units in the area with high rates of occupancy. Half of the housing units are occupied by renters; a percentage slightly lower than the County. As of March 2005, the average rent for a two-bedroom apartment in Pasadena was \$1,209/month.

In Pasadena, the Pasadena Community Development Commission administers the Section 8 Rental Assistance Program, a federally-funded program that assists very low income households obtain affordable housing. There are 1,945 units of affordable rental housing in Pasadena. Some of these are restricted to seniors or the disabled (for a list of affordable rental housing projects see www.ci.pasadena.ca.us/housing/section8.asp). The waiting list for Section 8 assistance is currently closed, with the City

of Pasadena not accepting any new applications. In Altadena, there is one site with 25 available units that is government subsidized. It is specifically for seniors, age 62 and over (see www.hud.gov subsidized apartment search).

Housing/Households, 2000

| | West Altadena & Northwest Pasadena Census Tracts | | Los Angeles County | California |
|-----------------------------------|--|---------|--------------------|------------|
| | Number | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| Housing Units | 26,395 | | | |
| Occupied Housing Units/Households | 25,379 | 96.2% | 95.8% | 94.2% |
| Renter-Occupied Units | 12,749 | 50.2% | 52.1% | 43.1% |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Substandard Housing

Of the housing units, a small percentage lack adequate plumbing and kitchen facilities.

Substandard Housing, 2000

| | West Altadena & Northwest Pasadena Census Tracts | | Los Angeles County | California |
|--------------------------------------|--|---------|--------------------|------------|
| | Number | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| Housing Units | 26,395 | | | |
| Lacking Complete Plumbing Facilities | 318 | 1.2% | 1.1% | 0.9% |
| Lacking Complete Kitchen Facilities | 498 | 1.9% | 1.8% | 1.3% |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Female Head of Household

Single parent households headed by females are typically reflected by higher levels of poverty. Among the 25,379 households in the area, 4,616 (18.2%) are female head of household. This percentage is notably higher than the County or State.

Female Head of Household, 2000

| | West Altadena & Northwest Pasadena Census Tracts | | Los Angeles County | California |
|--------------------------|--|---------|--------------------|------------|
| | Number | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| Female Head of Household | 4,616 | 18.2% | 14.7% | 12.6% |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Language Proficiency

Among residents of West Altadena/Northwest Pasadena, 23.1% of the population is not fluent in the English language, speaking it "less than very well." Of these residents, 91.2% primarily speak Spanish.

Language Spoken at Home, Those Who Speak English Less Than Very Well, 2000

| | West Altadena & Northwest Pasadena Census Tracts | | Los Angeles County | California |
|--|--|---------|--------------------|------------|
| | Number | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| Speak English less than very well | 18,536 | 23.2% | 28.9% | 20.0% |
| Speak Spanish | 16,904 | 91.2% | 72.5% | 68.5% |
| Speak Other Indo-European Languages | 456 | 2.5% | 7.2% | 7.2% |
| Speak Asian and Pacific Island Languages | 1,062 | 5.7% | 18.9% | 22.9% |
| Speak Other Languages | 114 | 0.6% | 1.4% | 1.4% |
| Total | 18,536 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Education

Of the population age 25 and over, 30.1% have not graduated high school; this is consistent with County and State completion rates. By comparison, the area has slightly lower high school graduation rates, equivalent college attainment, and higher rates of residents with graduate or professional degrees.

Educational Attainment, 2000

| | West Altadena & Northwest Pasadena Census Tracts | | Los Angeles County | California |
|---|--|---------|--------------------|------------|
| | Number | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| Population age 25 and over | 48,914 | 100.0% | | |
| Less than 9th grade | 8,188 | 16.7% | 16.2% | 11.5% |
| 9th to 12 th grade, no diploma | 6,532 | 13.4% | 13.8% | 11.7% |
| High school graduate & equivalency | 8,198 | 16.8% | 18.8% | 20.1% |
| Some college, no degree | 10,041 | 20.5% | 20.0% | 22.9% |
| Associate degree | 3,250 | 6.6% | 6.2% | 7.1% |
| Bachelor's degree | 7,626 | 15.6% | 16.1% | 17.1% |
| Graduate or professional degree | 5,079 | 10.4% | 8.8% | 9.5% |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Birth and Death Characteristics

Birth characteristics and major causes of death and premature deaths for West Altadena and Northwest Pasadena residents follow.

Births

In 2004, there were 1,009 total births in the area, decreasing 8% to 928 births in 2005. The majority of the births were to mothers who are Latino (54.2%) and African American (20.0%).

Teen Pregnancy

In 2004, teen pregnancy rates were 9.0% of the total births, slightly less than teen births in the County and State.

Births to Teen Mothers, 2004 & 2005

| | Altadena Zip Code 91001 Pasadena Zip Code 91103 2005 | | Altadena Zip Code 91001 Pasadena Zip Code 91103 2004 | | Los Angeles County 2004 | California 2004 |
|------------------------|--|---------|--|---------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| Births to Teen Mothers | 85 | 9.1% | 91 | 9.0% | 9.4% | 9.3% |
| Total Births | 928 | 100.0% | 1,009 | 100.0% | | |

Source: California Department of Health Services

Low Birth Weight

The rate of low birth weight births was 94.1 per 1,000 births in 2004, decreasing to 85.1 per 1,000 births in 2005. However, even with the decrease in low birth weight births, the rate in Altadena and Northwest Pasadena is considerably higher than County and State rates.

Low Birth Weight, 2004 & 2005

| | Altadena Zip Code 91001 Pasadena Zip Code 91103 2005 | | Altadena Zip Code 91001 Pasadena Zip Code 91103 2004 | | Los Angeles County 2004 | California 2004 |
|--|--|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Number | Rate per 1,000 Births | Number | Rate per 1,000 Births | Rate per 1,000 Births | Rate per 1,000 Births |
| Low Birth Weight (under 2500 grams) | 79 | 85.1 | 95 | 94.1 | 70.7 | 67.0 |

Source: California Department of Health Services

Prenatal Care

In 2004, 1.0% of pregnant women received no prenatal care or entered into prenatal care in the third trimester. This increased slightly to 1.8% of women in 2005, which is comparable to the County and better than State efforts.

Late Entry into Prenatal Care, 2004 & 2005

| | Altadena Zip Code 91001 Pasadena Zip Code 91103 2005 | | Altadena Zip Code 91001 Pasadena Zip Code 91103 2004 | | Los Angeles County 2004 | California 2004 |
|---|--|---------|--|---------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| Entry into Prenatal Care after Third Trimester | 17 | 1.8% | 10 | 1.0% | 1.7% | 2.6% |

Source: California Department of Health Services

Deaths

There were 527 deaths among residents of Altadena/Northwest Pasadena in 2003. Heart disease, cancer and stroke are the top three leading causes of death. The percentage of deaths for heart disease and stroke are higher in the area than when compared to County and State death rates. Deaths from cancer are a lower percentage of the overall deaths when compared to County and State death rates from cancer.

Leading Causes of Death, 2003

| | Altadena Zip Code 91001 Pasadena Zip Code 91103 | | Los Angeles County | California |
|-----------------------------------|--|---------|-----------------------|------------|
| | Number | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| Total Deaths | 527 | 100.0% | | |
| Diseases of the Heart | 177 | 33.6% | 31.5% | 28.8% |
| Cancer | 109 | 20.7% | 22.5% | 22.7% |
| Stroke | 47 | 8.9% | 7.0% | 7.4% |
| Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease | 22 | 4.2% | 4.8% | 5.6% |
| Accidents | 11 | 2.1% | 3.8% | 4.4% |
| Influenza/Pneumonia | 21 | 3.9% | 4.0% | 3.4% |
| Diabetes | 15 | 2.8% | 3.6% | 3.0% |
| Alzheimer's Disease | 9 | 1.7% | 2.1% | 2.8% |
| Cirrhosis | 5 | 0.9% | 1.7% | 1.6% |
| Suicide | 5 | 0.9% | 1.2% | 1.4% |
| All Other Causes | 106 | 20.1% | 17.8% | 19.0% |

Source: California Department of Health Services

Social Issues

A variety of social issues facing residents of Altadena and Northwest Pasadena are examined.

Adult and Childhood Obesity

Within the Pasadena Health District, 28.5% of adults are overweight and 17% are obese. The percentage of overweight and obese adults is less than that of adults in Los Angeles County and the nation as a whole.

Overweight and Obese Adults, 2005

| Adults | Pasadena Health District | Los Angeles County | Nation |
|------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| Overweight | 28.5% | 35.5% | 35.3% |
| Obese | 17.0% | 20.9% | 24.9% |

Source: L.A. County Department of Public Health

Pediatric primary care providers in Pasadena report data on children's weight. These data indicate that 15.4% of pediatric patients are at risk of obesity and 19.2% are obese.

This is a lower percentage compared to LA County but a much higher than is found among children nationally.

Overweight and Obese Children, 2005

| Children, ages 0-19 | Pasadena | Los Angeles County | Nation |
|--|-----------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| Overweight (85 th to < 95 th percentile) | 15.4% | | |
| Obese (>95 th percentile) | 19.2% | 23.3% | 5.0% |

Sources: CDC, PedNSS; L.A. County Department of Public Health

Foster Children

Foster children are placed by the government in households to receive parental care. Foster children may be related to the householder or a non-relative of the householder. In the West Altadena and Northwest Pasadena Census Tracts there are 243 foster children in related family households and 74 foster children in non-family households.

Foster Children, 2000

| | West Altadena & Northwest Pasadena Census Tracts |
|--------------------------|---|
| | Number |
| In Family Households | 243 |
| In Non-Family Households | 74 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Youth Living in Group Quarters

There are a number of youth under age 18, who are living in group quarters. These youth may be institutionalized (living in juvenile institutions, homes for abused, dependent and neglected children, training schools for juvenile delinquents, residential treatment centers, and detention centers) or non-institutionalized (living in group homes for the mentally ill or physically handicapped, foster care homes, college dorms, shelters for children). In the West Altadena and Northwest Pasadena area, 16 youth are institutionalized and 255 are residing in non-institutionalized group quarters.

Youth Living in Group Quarters, 2000

| | West Altadena & Northwest Pasadena Census Tracts |
|-----------------------|---|
| | Number |
| Institutionalized | 16 |
| Non-Institutionalized | 255 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Homelessness

Pasadena's 2007 annual count of the homeless population determined there were 969 homeless individuals – 755 are adults and 214 are children. The total number of homeless has decreased over the last three years with a noticeable decrease in the number of homeless children.

Homeless Adults and Children, 2005 - 2007

| Year | Homeless Adults | | Homeless Children | | Total | |
|------|-----------------|---------|-------------------|---------|--------|---------|
| | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2005 | 782 | 64.2% | 435 | 35.8% | 1,217 | 100% |
| 2006 | 736 | 63.1% | 429 | 36.9% | 1,165 | 100% |
| 2007 | 755 | 77.9% | 214 | 22.1% | 969 | 100% |

Source: City of Pasadena

The percent of African Americans is decreasing, while the percent of Whites is increasing among homeless adults.

Homeless Adults by Race/Ethnicity, 2007

| Year | African American | Latino | White | Asian Pacific | American Indian | Other |
|------|------------------|---------|---------|---------------|-----------------|---------|
| | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| 2005 | 36.9% | 23.2% | 29.1% | 2.6% | 2.3% | 6.2% |
| 2006 | 29.3% | 23.0% | 36.3% | 1.5% | 3.8% | 6.1% |
| 2007 | 29.2% | 23.4% | 37.9% | 0.5% | 2.2% | 6.8% |

Source: City of Pasadena

Crime/Arrests

Crime rates from 2004 to 2005 in Altadena and Pasadena mostly show a decrease. Arrests occur most frequently for assault, burglary/robbery/theft, narcotics/alcohol, vehicle/traffic violations, and warrants.

Adult & Juvenile Arrests, 2004 - 2005

| | Adults | | | | Juveniles | | | |
|----------|----------|-------|--------------|-------|-----------|------|--------------|------|
| | Felonies | | Misdemeanors | | Felonies | | Misdemeanors | |
| | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 |
| Altadena | 468 | 363 | 951 | 886 | 37 | 30 | 43 | 45 |
| Pasadena | 2,263 | 2,242 | 4,449 | 4,159 | 340 | 320 | 777 | 604 |

Sources: Los Angeles Sheriff Department and California Department of Justice

Violent crimes are homicide, rape, robbery and assault. In 2005, there were no juvenile arrests for homicide or rape in Altadena, and there was one juvenile arrest for homicide and five for rape in Pasadena. Drug-related crimes occur more frequently and consist of possession and selling.

Adult & Juvenile Arrests for Violent Crime and Drug-Related Crimes, 2005

| | Adults | | Juveniles | |
|----------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| | Violent Crime | Drug-Related Crime | Violent Crime | Drug-Related Crime |
| Altadena | 88 | 189 | 10 | 10 |
| Pasadena | 584 | 665 | 120 | 33 |

Sources: Los Angeles Sheriff Department and California Department of Justice

Domestic Violence

From 2004 to 2005, domestic violence-related calls increased in Altadena by 14.7% and by 0.5% in Pasadena. By far, most calls involved a weapon – 87.8% of calls in Altadena and 92.7% of calls in Pasadena. These data may reflect that calls for assistance are under reported when no weapon is involved and calls increase proportionately when weapons are involved. Altadena has 2006 data available that indicates a decrease in domestic violence-related calls. No comparable data is yet available for Pasadena.

Altadena

Domestic Violence-Related Calls for Assistance, 2003 - 2006

| | Altadena | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Number 2003 | Number 2004 | Number 2005 | Number 2006 |
| No weapon involved or reported | 18 | 12 | 19 | 7 |
| Weapon involved | 142 | 124 | 137 | 114 |
| Total | 160 | 136 | 156 | 121 |

Source: LA County Sheriff's Department

Pasadena

Domestic Violence-Related Calls for Assistance, 2003 - 2005

| | Pasadena | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Number 2003 | Number 2004 | Number 2005 |
| No weapon involved or reported | 118 | 46 | 27 |
| Weapon involved | 287 | 324 | 345 |
| Total | 405 | 370 | 372 |

Source: California Department of Justice

Gangs

Gang crime data is incorporated into specific crime categories and isn't reported separately. In Pasadena, gangs are handled through the Police Department's Special Enforcement Division, Gang Unit. They are committed to preventing gang activity from occurring through intervention, prevention and enforcement activity. According to the Pasadena City Prosecutor's Office, Gang Division, the gangs in the area form according to race and ethnic groups specific to Latinos and African Americans. The Latino gangs include the Villa Boys and Pasadena Latin Kings. The African American gangs are derived from the Pasadena Denver Lanes. This is a "Blood Set" and different factions form from this blood set. The number of gangs has remained steady, but there has been increased gang activity and increased levels of violence among the gangs since the beginning of the year.

Pasadena had participated in a Community Partnership Against Gangs, which was a partnership program with the Pasadena Police, State Parole and Los Angeles County Probation. The program focused multi-agency resources toward gang enforcement, early intervention and prevention. Funding for this program has not been extended and the program was discontinued.

Youth Alcohol, Tobacco and Drug Use

The California Healthy Kids Survey is a tool used by school districts to collect data on youths' nutritional and activity habits, alcohol, tobacco and drug use, school safety, and strengths and assets. The following table shows the results of the 2005 Healthy Kids survey for the Pasadena Unified School District specific to alcohol, tobacco and drug use. These data show that over half (58%) of 11th graders have tried alcohol and over one-third (34%) have smoked marijuana.

A significant majority of the 7th, 9th and 11th grade students surveyed identify the harmful effects of tobacco, alcohol and drugs. Over 90% of youth surveyed recognize that frequent cigarette smoking is harmful; this knowledge may indicate why fewer youth have smoked cigarettes than tried alcohol or marijuana, and in some cases used inhalants.

Alcohol, Tobacco and Drug Use by 7th, 9th and 11th Graders, Pasadena Unified School District, 2005

| | Percent 7th Grade | Percent 9th Grade | Percent 11th Grade |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| During your life did you ever smoke a cigarette? | 4% | 14% | 21% |
| During your life did you ever chew tobacco or snuff? | 2% | 6% | 7% |
| During your life did you ever drink alcohol? | 15% | 39% | 58% |
| During your life did you ever use inhalants? | 9% | 15% | 11% |
| During your life did you ever smoke marijuana? | 4% | 22% | 34% |
| During your life have you ever been very drunk or sick after drinking? | 6% | 20% | 33% |
| During your life have you ever been high from using drugs? | 3% | 20% | 32% |
| Frequent use of cigarettes is harmful. | 95% | 91% | 92% |
| Frequent use of alcohol is harmful. | 93% | 87% | 89% |
| Frequent use of marijuana is harmful. | 94% | 89% | 86% |

Source: California Department of Education, California Healthy Kids Survey

School and Student Characteristics

Nine area schools were examined for selected demographic and performance characteristics. Of the nine, there are seven elementary schools, one middle school and one high school.

School Enrollment

School enrollment for the selected schools totals 4,680 students.

School Enrollment, 2005-2006

| | Enrollment |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| | Number |
| Altadena Elementary | 352 |
| Cleveland Elementary | 293 |
| Franklin Elementary | 367 |
| Jackson Elementary | 466 |
| John Muir High School | 1,168 |
| Loma Alta Elementary | 282 |
| Madison Elementary | 597 |
| Washington Accelerated Elementary | 711 |
| Washington Middle School | 444 |
| Total | 4,680 |

Source: California Department of Education; Education Data Partnership

Private School Attendance

Private school attendance for children in grades K – 12 was examined for the West Altadena and Northwest Pasadena census tracts and compared against private school attendance for children and youth throughout the Altadena and Pasadena zip codes. As a percent of school attendance, the specific West Altadena and Northwest Pasadena census tracts have a smaller percentage of kids attending private school than when compared to Altadena and Pasadena overall.

Private School Attendance, 2000

| Grades K - 12 | West Altadena & Northwest Pasadena Census Tracts | | Altadena and Pasadena Zip Codes | |
|---------------------------|---|----------------|--|----------------|
| | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Private school enrollment | 2,045 | 11.1% | 6,516 | 20.6% |
| Total school enrollment | 18,390 | 100% | 31,687 | 100% |

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Student Race/Ethnicity

Two-thirds of students in the selected schools in Altadena and Northwest Pasadena are Latino (66.8%). African Americans comprise 28.1% of the student population in these nine schools. Only 3.4% of the students are White and less than 1.0% is Asian. When compared to the population as a whole in these neighborhoods, the percentage of African American students is reflective of the overall population. But there is a markedly increased percentage of Latino students (66.8%) compared to the Latino population (43.6%), and significantly fewer White students (3.4%) compared to the White population in the area (18.9%).

Race and Ethnicity of Students, 2005-2006

| | Students at Selected Schools* | | District (PUSD) | County |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|-----------------|---------|
| | Number | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| White | 161 | 3.4% | 15.7% | 16.0% |
| Black or African American | 1,314 | 28.1% | 24.8% | 10.1% |
| Hispanic or Latino | 3,127 | 66.8% | 54.9% | 62.1% |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 5 | 0.1% | 0.2% | 0.3% |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 26 | 0.6% | 2.7% | 8.1% |
| Filipino | 17 | 0.4% | 1.5% | 2.2% |
| Other | 30 | 0.6% | 0.2% | 1.2% |
| Total | 4,680 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |

*Altadena Elementary, Cleveland Elementary, Franklin Elementary, Jackson Elementary, John Muir High School, Loma Alta Elementary, Madison Elementary, Washington Accelerated Elementary, Washington Middle School.

Source: California Department of Education; Education Data Partnership

Free or Reduced Price Lunch Program

The majority of students at these schools are eligible for the free or reduced price lunch program. On average among all schools, 82.7% of the students are eligible for this program; these high levels of eligible students are markedly higher than the percentage of students in the District or County.

Free or Reduced Price Meals, 2005-2006

| | Students | District (PUSD) | County |
|-----------------------------------|----------|-----------------|---------|
| | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| Altadena Elementary | 84.7% | | |
| Cleveland Elementary | 84.6% | | |
| Franklin Elementary | 88.0% | | |
| Jackson Elementary | 88.2% | | |
| John Muir High School | 61.1% | | |
| Loma Alta Elementary | 73.0% | | |
| Madison Elementary | 92.5% | | |
| Washington Accelerated Elementary | 86.9% | | |
| Washington Middle School | 85.1% | | |
| Total | 82.7% | 66.4% | 64.3% |

Source: California Department of Education; Education Data Partnership

English Learners

The percentage of students who are English learners averages 31.7%; this is similar to the percentage of English learner students in the County and higher than the District average. Madison Elementary shows the highest percentage of English learners. With 91% of the student body being Latino, 61.1% are English learners. The data do reveal that the percentage of students who are English learners decreases as students move to middle school and high school, indicating an improvement in language skills and increased English fluency as they progress to higher grade levels.

English Learners, 2005-2006

| | Students | District (PUSD) | County |
|-----------------------------------|----------|-----------------|---------|
| | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| Altadena Elementary | 24.7% | | |
| Cleveland Elementary | 27.3% | | |
| Franklin Elementary | 27.8% | | |
| Jackson Elementary | 43.3% | | |
| John Muir High School | 16.4% | | |
| Loma Alta Elementary | 23.4% | | |
| Madison Elementary | 61.1% | | |
| Washington Accelerated Elementary | 41.2% | | |
| Washington Middle School | 20.5% | | |
| Total | 31.7% | 22.3% | 31.1% |

Source: California Department of Education; Education Data Partnership

Computers in Schools

Overall, the selected schools have approximately one student per computer (6.4) more than the District (5.5) or County (4.5) average. However, when students per computer are viewed by school, a clear disparity exists. The number of students per computer ranges from “worst” at Washington Accelerated Elementary with 14.2 students per computer to the “best” at Washington Middle School with one computer for every 1.8 students.

Number of Students per Computer, 2005-2006

| | Students per Computer | District (PUSD) | County |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|---------|
| | Number | Percent | Percent |
| Altadena Elementary | 4.8 | | |
| Cleveland Elementary | 7.7 | | |
| Franklin Elementary | 7.1 | | |
| Jackson Elementary | 6.7 | | |
| John Muir High School | 2.8 | | |
| Loma Alta Elementary | 4.3 | | |
| Madison Elementary | 8.4 | | |
| Washington Accelerated Elementary | 14.2 | | |
| Washington Middle School | 1.8 | | |
| Total | 6.4 | 5.5 | 4.5 |

Source: California Department of Education; Education Data Partnership

Pupil/Teacher Ratio

The schools in the Altadena and Northwest Pasadena communities perform very well on the pupil per teacher benchmark. All the selected schools have a better ratio than the District or County average.

Pupil to Teacher Ratio, 2005-2006

| | Pupils per Teacher | District (PUSD) | County |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------|
| | Number | Percent | Percent |
| Altadena Elementary | 16.6 | | |
| Cleveland Elementary | 17.8 | | |
| Franklin Elementary | 19.3 | | |
| Jackson Elementary | 19.4 | | |
| John Muir High School | 19.5 | | |
| Loma Alta Elementary | 14.2 | | |
| Madison Elementary | 19.9 | | |
| Washington Accelerated Elementary | 18.7 | | |
| Washington Middle School | 17.3 | | |
| Total | 18.4 | 20.1 | 21.5 |

Source: California Department of Education; Education Data Partnership

API

The Academic Performance Index (API) summarizes a school's academic performance and progress on statewide assessments. The 2006 base API summarizes a school's performance on the 2006 Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program testing and the 2006 California High School Exit Examination.

Academic Performance Index, 2006

| | Base API | District (PUSD) | State |
|-----------------------------------|----------|-----------------|-------|
| Altadena Elementary | 647 | | |
| Cleveland Elementary | 713 | | |
| Franklin Elementary | 774 | | |
| Jackson Elementary | 687 | | |
| John Muir High School | 601 | | |
| Loma Alta Elementary | 687 | | |
| Madison Elementary | 713 | | |
| Washington Accelerated Elementary | 738 | | |
| Washington Middle School | 623 | | |
| Total | | 701 | 721 |

Source: California Department of Education

Math Proficiency

Math testing results show the Altadena/Northwest Pasadena schools are comparable on average to the District and County in percentage of students who have achieved basic and proficient levels in the subject. When examined by school, Franklin Elementary students clearly excel in math with 80% of the students tested achieving basic competency levels. The high school test results show a different picture with only 19% of the students achieving a basic understanding of math concepts.

Math Basic and Proficient Levels, 2003-2004

| | Math Basic and Above | Math Proficient and Above | District (PUSD) | | County | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---------|---------|---------|
| | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| Altadena Elementary | 50% | 25% | | | | |
| Cleveland Elementary | 62% | 29% | | | | |
| Franklin Elementary | 80% | 51% | | | | |
| Jackson Elementary | 60% | 27% | | | | |
| John Muir High School | 19% | 4% | | | | |
| Loma Alta Elementary | 53% | 27% | | | | |
| Madison Elementary | 64% | 32% | | | | |
| Washington Accelerated Elementary | 60% | 32% | | | | |
| Washington Middle School | 43% | 16% | | | | |
| Total | 55% | 27% | 52% | 26% | 57% | 31% |

Source: California Department of Education

Language Arts Proficiency

Language arts achievement among the schools is lagging behind the overall District and County students achieving basic and proficient levels. Only one school, Franklin Elementary, performs better at a basic proficiency level than the District and County averages. The high school students have significantly better language arts testing results than when compared to their math scores.

Language Arts Basic and Proficient Levels, 2003-2004

| | Language Arts Basic & Above | Language Arts Proficient & Above | District (PUSD) | | County | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|---------|---------|---------|
| | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| Altadena Elementary | 52% | 22% | | | | |
| Cleveland Elementary | 61% | 20% | | | | |
| Franklin Elementary | 73% | 29% | | | | |
| Jackson Elementary | 54% | 17% | | | | |
| John Muir High School | 49% | 19% | | | | |
| Loma Alta Elementary | 57% | 23% | | | | |
| Madison Elementary | 54% | 14% | | | | |
| Washington Accelerated Elementary | 57% | 20% | | | | |
| Washington Middle School | 47% | 15% | | | | |
| Total | 56% | 20% | 62% | 28% | 63% | 31% |

Source: California Department of Education

Drop Out Rates

Data on drop out rates are available beginning in grade 7 through the 12th grade. Washington Middle School had no dropouts during the last school year. For John Muir High School, the drop out rates in grades 10, 11, and 12 were more than double the District and County drop out rates.

Drop Out Rates, 2004-2005

| | Gr. 7 Drop | Gr. 8 Drop | Gr. 9 Drop | Gr. 10 Drop | Gr. 11 Drop | Gr. 12 Drop | Annual Drop Out Rate | Four Year Drop Out Rate |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| Washington Middle School | 0% | 0% | | | | | 0% | |
| John Muir High School | | | 2.7% | 7.2% | 9.5% | 13.4% | 8.0% | 29.3% |
| District | 0% | 0.1% | 3.2% | 3.3% | 3.6% | 6.2% | 3.9% | 15.3% |
| County | 1.3% | 2.3% | 2.9% | 3.2% | 3.5% | 6.3% | 3.7% | 15.1% |

Source: California Department of Education

High School Exit Exam

At John Muir High School in 2006, 38% of students passed the California High School Exit Exam for Mathematics and 50% passed the English Language Arts exam. District wide in 2006, 46% of students passed the Mathematics exam and 55% passed the English Language Arts exam.

California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) Results, 2006

| | Muir High School | District Wide | County |
|-----------------------|------------------|---------------|--------|
| Mathematics | 38% | 46% | 54% |
| English Language Arts | 50% | 55% | 58% |

Source: California Department of Education

College Eligibility

At Muir High School in the 2005-06 school year, 50.4% of high school graduates were eligible for admission to UC/CSU schools. This is up from 48.6% of graduates in the 2004-05 school year.

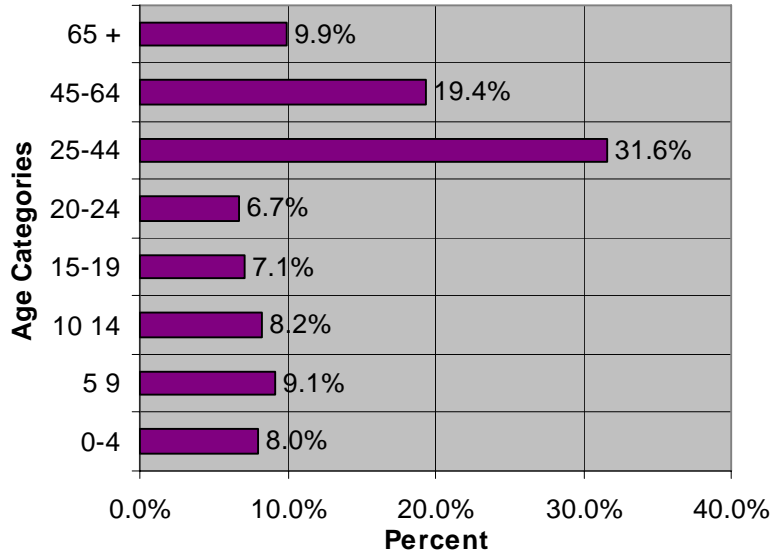
University Eligible Graduates

| | Graduates | UC/CSU Eligible Grads | Percent of graduates UC/CSU Eligible |
|--|-----------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| John Muir High School School Year 04-05 | 247 | 120 | 48.6% |
| District School Year 04-05 | 1,086 | 559 | 51.5% |
| County School Year 04-05 | 84,677 | 29,945 | 35.4% |
| John Muir High School School Year 05-06 | 216 | 109 | 50.4% |
| District School Year 05-06 | 1,117 | 578 | 51.7% |
| County School Year 05-06 | 87,530 | 34,788 | 39.7% |

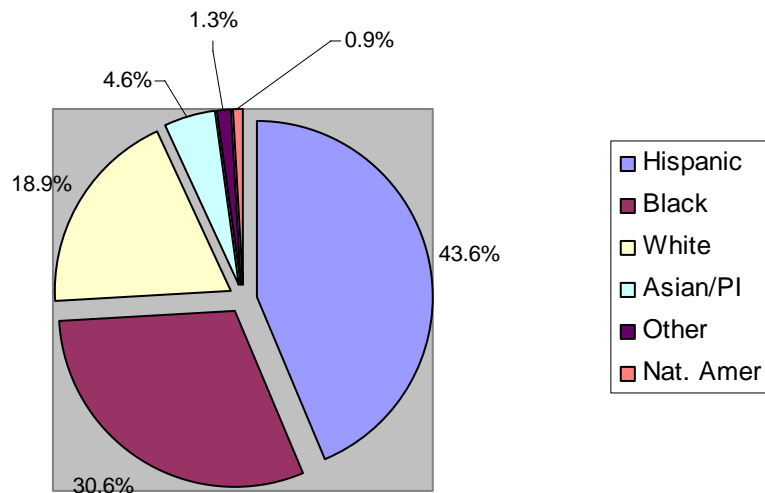
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Graphic Representation of Selected Population Characteristics

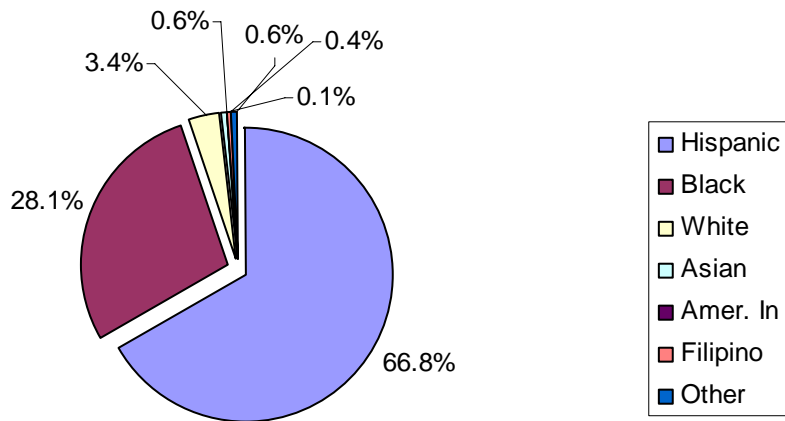
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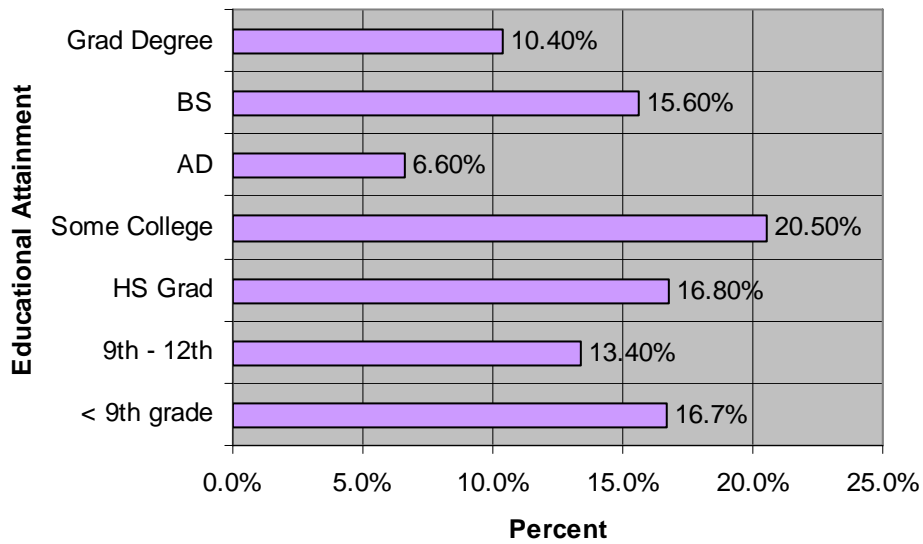
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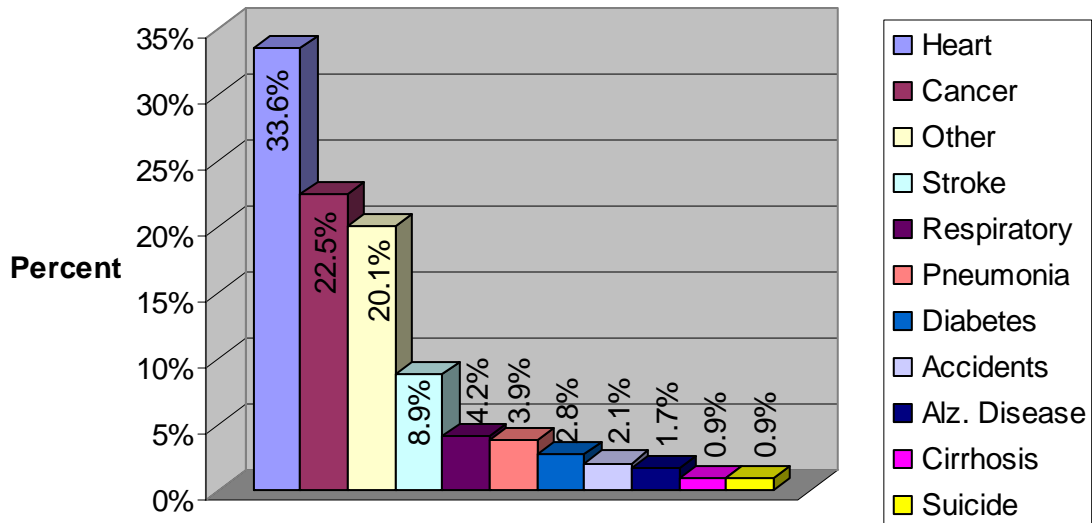
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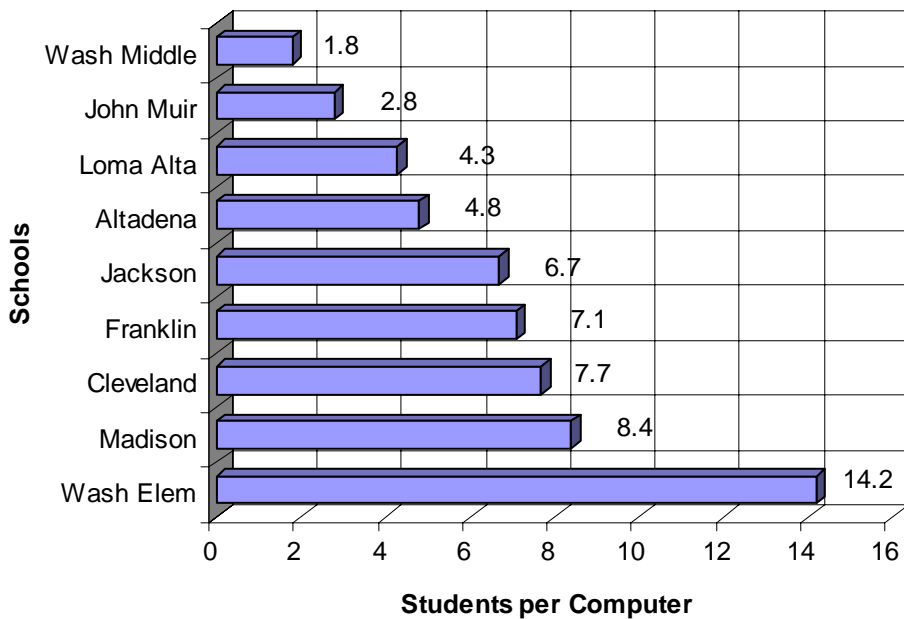
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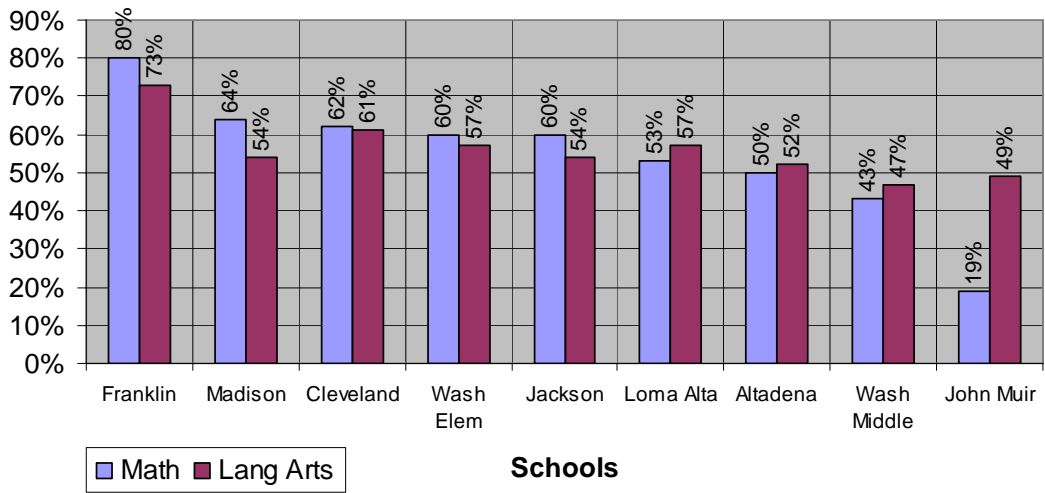
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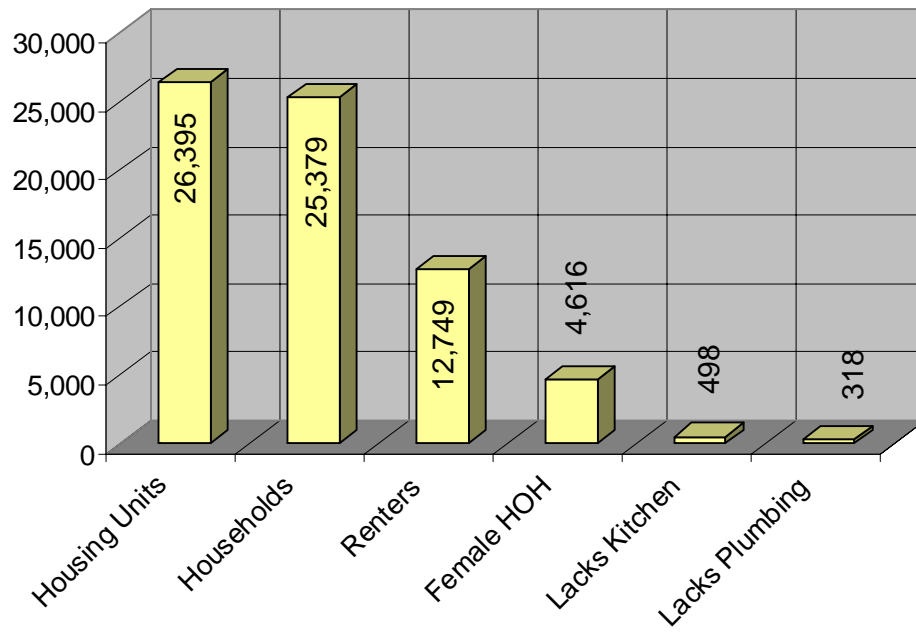
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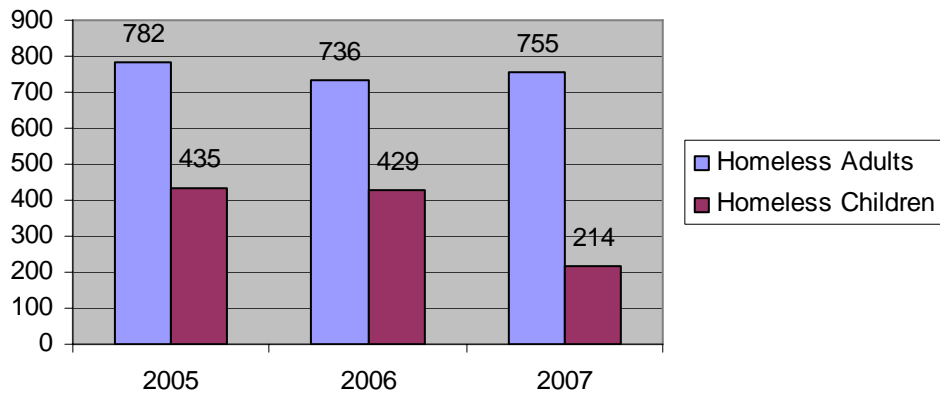
Math and Language Arts Basic Levels



Housing/Households



Homelessness, 2005-2007



Domestic Violence, Pasadena and Altadena, 2003-2005

