



Quality of Life Report

Tallahassee-Leon County, FL

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Tallahassee-Leon County Florida



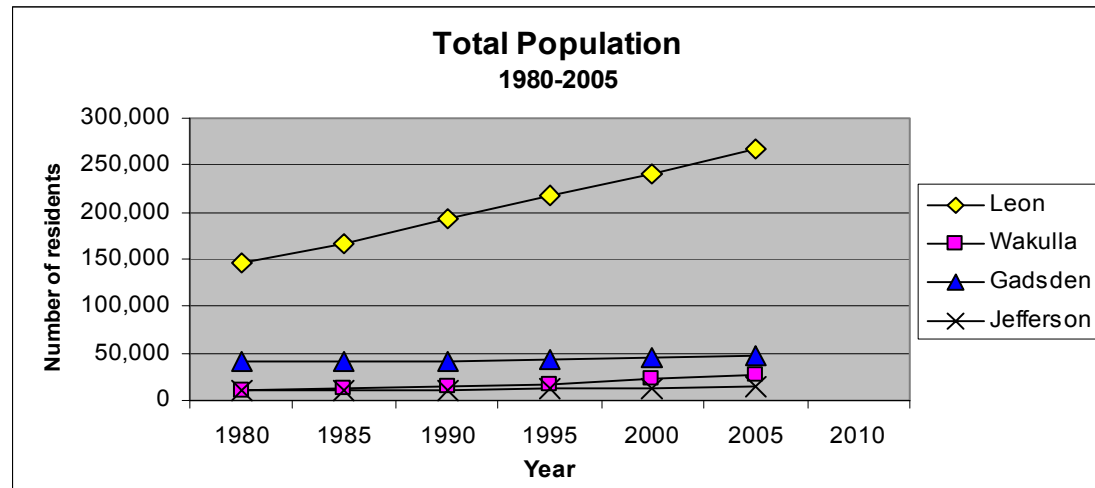
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Indicator 1: Total Population

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Indicator:
Total number of residents.

Analysis:
 From 1980 to 2005, Leon County’s population increased by 84% - about the same percentage growth as the state as whole. Since 1980, Leon County’s population has grown an average of nearly 4,900 people per year.

Leon County has, by far, the largest population in the 4-county region – but is not the fastest growing. Wakulla County’s population, although significantly smaller, was the fastest growing from 1980 to 2005.



Data source:
 Office of Economic and Demographic Research, The Florida Legislature
 (Decennial U.S. Census data and population estimates prepared by the University of Florida)

Website:
<http://www.state.fl.us/edr/population.htm>

	1980	1985	1990	1995	2000	2005	% change 1980 to 2005*
Leon	145,981	166,421	192,493	217,185	239,452	267,900	+84%
Wakulla	10,719	12,352	14,202	17,207	22,863	26,400	+146%
Gadsden	41,324	41,975	41,116	43,460	45,087	47,300	+14%
Jefferson	10,585	10,919	11,296	12,832	12,902	14,100	+33%
Florida*	9,753,351	11,272,332	12,938,071	14,335,992	15,982,378	17,872,300	+83%

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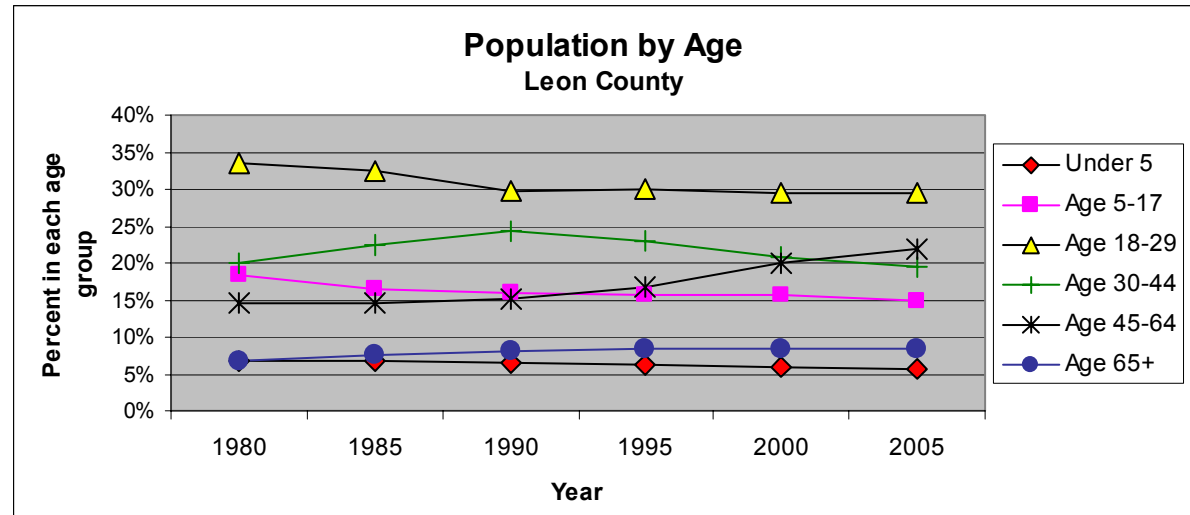
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Indicator 2: Population by Age Group

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Indicator:
Percentage of Leon County residents in each age group.

Analysis:
As of 2005, children and young adults (ages 0-29) comprised a smaller proportion of the population than in 1980. College-age residents (18-29), however, remained the county's largest age group with 30% of the overall population. Baby boomers in the 45-64 age group showed the largest increase (+7%) from 1980-2005.



	1980	1985	1990	1995	2000	2005	Difference 1980-2005*
Under age 5	7%	7%	7%	6%	6%	6%	-1%
Age 5-17	18%	16%	16%	16%	16%	15%	-4%
Ages 0-18*	25%	23%	23%	22%	22%	21%	-5%
Age 18-29	33%	32%	30%	30%	30%	30%	-4%
Age 30-44	20%	22%	24%	23%	21%	19%	-1%
Age 45-64	15%	15%	15%	17%	20%	22%	7%
Age 65+	7%	7%	8%	8%	8%	8%	2%

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Indicator 3: Population by Race

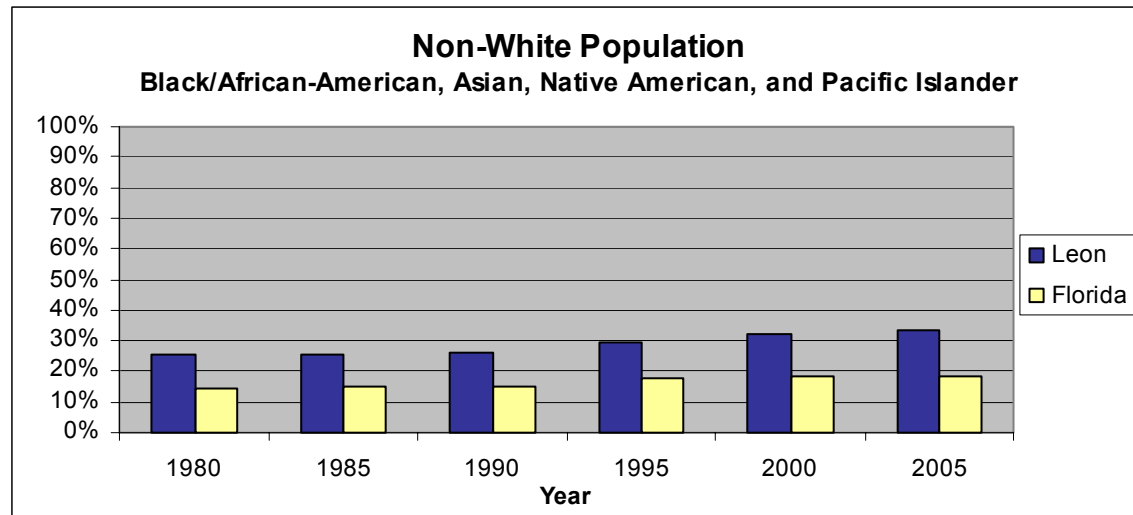
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Indicator:

Percent of residents who are non-White.

Analysis:

Leon County's non-White population is growing and represents a larger percentage of the total population than in the state as a whole. As of 2005, non-Whites (predominantly African-Americans) comprised 33% of Leon County's residents, compared to 18% in Florida.



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	1980		1985		1990		1995		2000		2005	
	Non-White	White *	Non-White	White *	Non-White	White *	Non-White	White *	Non-White	White *	Non-White	White *
Leon County	26%	74%	25%	75%	32%	68%	29%	71%	32%	68%	33%	67%
Florida	15%	85%	15%	85%	18%	82%	18%	82%	18%	82%	18%	82%
Difference* (Leon minus FL)	+11%		+10%		+14%		+11%		+14%		+15%	

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Indicator 4: Income distribution

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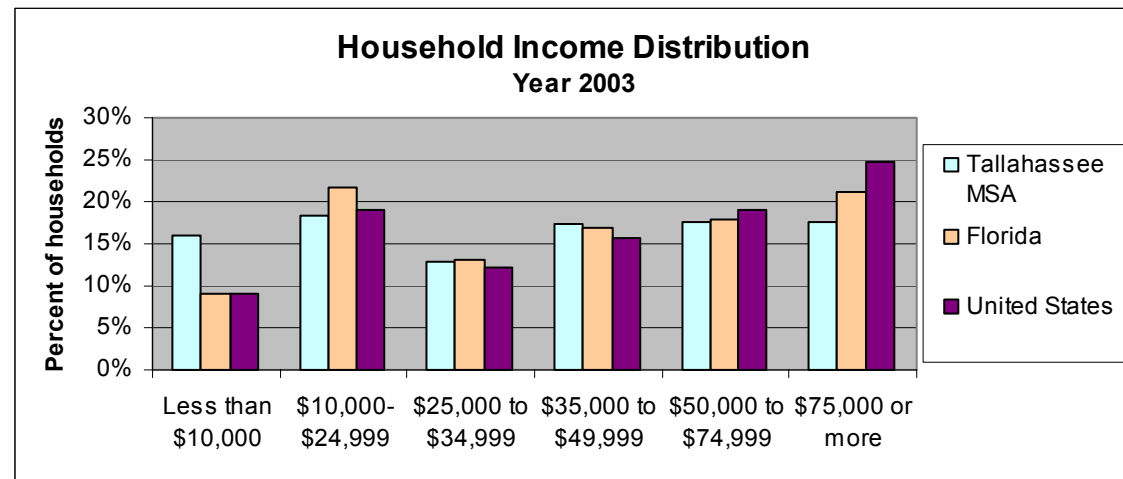
Indicator:
Percent of households at various income levels.

Analysis:
 Compared to Florida and the United States, the Tallahassee MSA (Leon and Gadsden County) has a significantly larger percentage of households in the lowest income group (less than \$10,000 per year), reflecting the large student population, and a similar percentage of households in the middle income ranges (\$25,000 to \$74,999).

At the highest income range (\$75,000 or more), Tallahassee MSA's percentage is considerably lower than the state and the nation.

Data source:
 U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey

Website:
<http://www.census.gov/acs/www/>



2003*	Tallahassee MSA	Florida	United States
Less than \$10,000	15.9%	9.1%	9.0%
\$10,000 to \$24,999	18.4%	21.7%	19.1%
\$25,000 to \$34,999	12.9%	13.1%	12.2%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	17.4%	17.0%	15.8%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	17.7%	17.9%	19.1%
\$75,000 or more	17.7%	21.3%	24.9%

*In 2003 inflation adjusted dollars
 Note: The American Community Survey is limited to household population and excludes the population living in institutions, college dormitories and other group quarters



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Indicator 5: Public School Enrollment

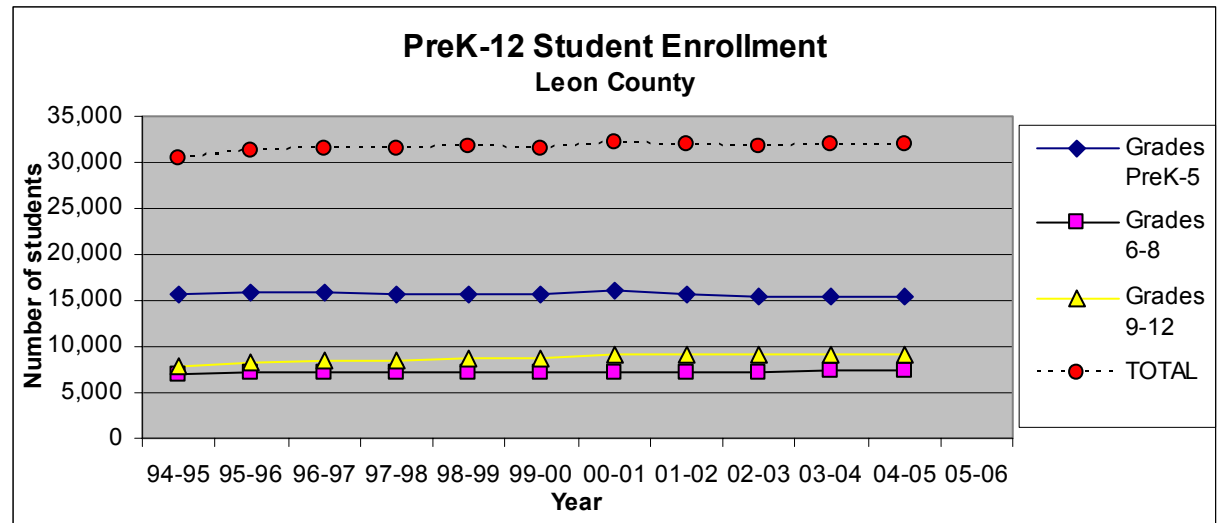
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Indicator:

Number of students enrolled in Leon County Public Schools by grade level

Analysis:

Public school enrollment in Leon County has remained relatively stable over the last seven years, despite an increase in the county's overall population. Middle and high school students (grades 6-12) comprise 52% of student enrollment in Leon County Public Schools. High school students had the largest decrease in enrollment since 1994-95.



Data source:

Leon County Public Schools
Program Monitoring and Evaluation

Website:

<http://www.tandl.leon.k12.fl.us/programme/databook/>

Grades	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	Change: 95-96 to 04-05
PreK-5	15,841	15,851	15,702	15,671	15,713	16,009	15,693	15,445	15,470	15,507	-334
6-8	7,272	7,251	7,150	7,214	7,123	7,155	7,122	7,255	7,393	7,418	+146
9-12	8,199	8,421	8,586	8,754	8,706	9,076	9,137	9,052	9,180	9,080	+881
TOTAL	31,312	31,523	31,438	31,639	31,542	32,240	31,952	31,752	32,043	32,005	+693



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Indicator 6: Minority Public School Enrollment

Indicator:

Percent of students enrolled in Leon County Public Schools who were minorities (Black and Other).

Analysis:

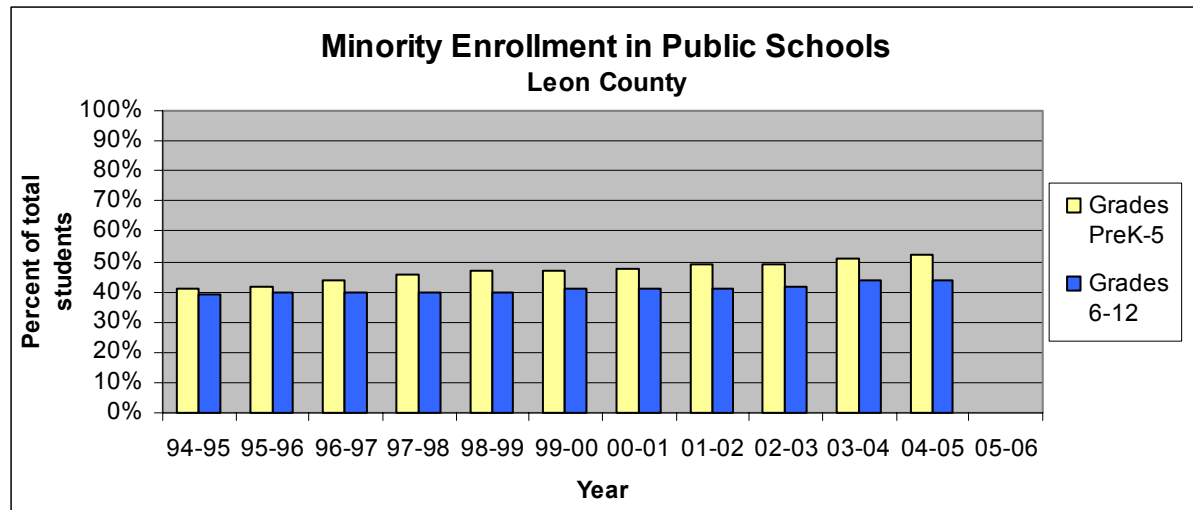
Leon County public schools are serving an increasing percentage of minority students particularly at the elementary level. As of 2004-05, 52% of students in grades PreK-5 were non-White, mainly African American. Although students of “Other” races/ Ethnicities comprise a small proportion of total enrollment, this group showed the largest proportional increase from 1995-96 to 2004-05 in both elementary and secondary schools.

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	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	95-96 to 04-05*
Grades PreK-5											
White*	58%	56%	54%	53%	53%	52%	51%	51%	49%	48%	-9.7%
Black	39%	41%	41%	42%	42%	43%	42%	42%	43%	43%	+4.1%
Other	3%	4%	4%	5%	5%	6%	7%	8%	8%	9%	+5.6%
Grades 6-12											
White*	60%	60%	60%	60%	60%	59%	59%	58%	56%	56%	-4.2%
Black	37%	37%	36%	36%	36%	37%	37%	37%	38%	38%	+1.4%
Other	3%	3%	4%	4%	4%	4%	5%	5%	6%	6%	+2.8%

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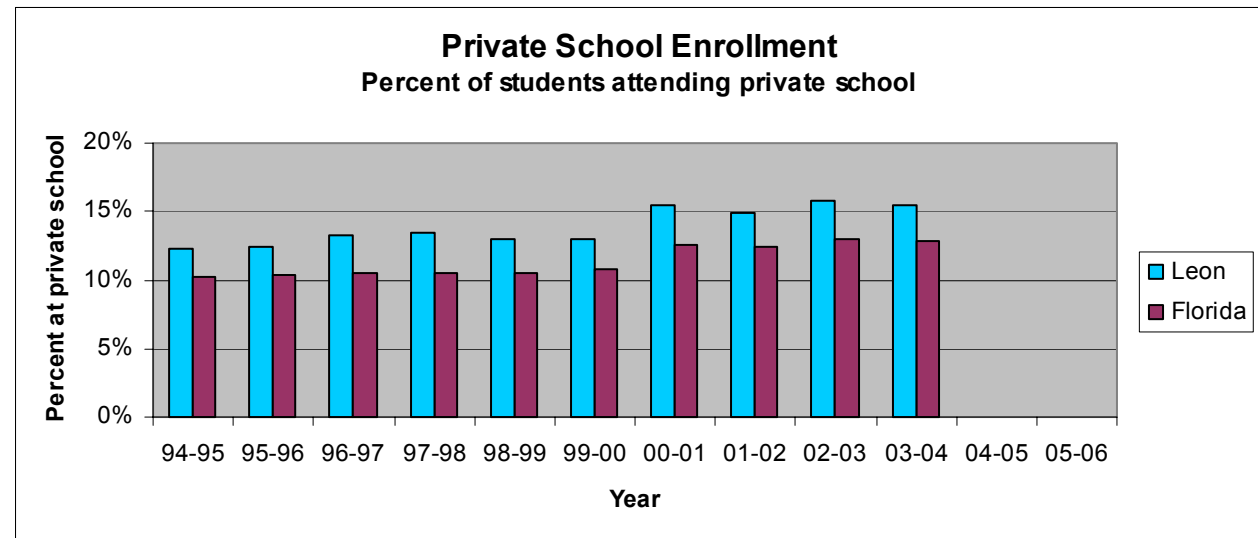
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Indicator 7: Private School Enrollment

Indicator:
Percent of elementary, middle and high school students enrolled in private school.

Analysis:
While the vast majority of students in Leon County attend public school, more than 15% as of 2003-04 attend private school – a larger percentage than in the state as a whole. The increase in 2000-01 reflects the inclusion of pre-kindergarten students in the count that year (see note below table).



Data source:
Florida Department of Education
Bureau of Education Information & Accountability Services

Website:
<http://www.firn.edu/doe/choice/npmain.htm>

Private School	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Leon - # enrolled*	4,295	4,682	4,899	4,722	4,726	5,866	5,585	5,983	5,884
Leon - % enrolled	12.39%	13.29%	13.49%	13.00%	13.04%	15.46%	14.93%	15.80%	15.44%
Florida - % enrolled	10.35%	10.54%	10.55%	10.52%	10.80%	12.52%	12.41%	12.94%	12.79%

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Note: 2000-01 forward includes preK-12; prior years include K-12 only (pre-K excluded).