

Quality of Life Historical Data

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Quality of Life Index		2002	2004	2006	2008	Difference	2008 City-Wide
Rating		Challenged	Challenged	Challenged	Challenged	Between 2002-2008	
Profile Variables	Population	504	523	551	527	23	686,291
	Youth Population	192	178	184	177	(15)	174,650
	Number of Housing Units	213	209	208	206	(7)	295,624
	Area (Acres)	384	392	392	392	8	183,674
	Median Household Income	\$20,875	\$21,452	\$18,106	\$17,672	(\$3,203)	\$47,670
	Average House Value	\$80,183	\$72,460	\$49,833	\$64,406	(\$15,777)	\$207,627
Analysis Variables	Social Dimension						
	% of Persons over Age 64	5.8%	9.7%	9.7%	8.9%	3.2%	8.7%
	Average Kindergarten Score	2.0	3.0	2.1	2.9	0.9	2.8
	Dropout Rate	13.3%	5.3%	27.3%	42.9%	29.5%	5.1%
	% of Children Passing Competency Exams	66.7%	35.7%	33.3%	33.3%	(33.3%)	55.2%
	% of Births to Adolescents	25.0%	0.0%	27.3%	50.0%	25.0%	6.6%
	Crime Dimension						
	Violent Crime Rate	9.1	4.4	4.1	5.6	(3.5)	1.0
	Juvenile Crime Rate	6.0	7.0	6.5	8.0	1.9	1.0
	Property Crime Rate	4.8	2.3	2.1	2.8	(2.0)	1.0
	Physical Dimension						
	% Substandard Housing	25.0%	15.4%	2.4%	30.6%	5.6%	0.7%
	% Homeowners	8.0%	9.1%	8.2%	7.3%	(0.7%)	55.4%
	Projected Infrastructure Improvement Costs	\$666,667	\$700,000	\$984,236	\$1,372,000	\$705,333	
	% of Persons with Access to Public Transportation	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	55.6%
	% Persons with Access to Basic Retail	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	19.0%
	Pedestrian Friendliness Index	Low	Low	Low	Low	No Change	Low
	Economic Dimension						
	% of Persons Receiving Food Stamps	33.1%	25.6%	23.8%	33.2%	0.1%	8.9%
	% Change in Income	59.1%	3.7%	(0.7%)	(0.7%)	(59.8%)	1.2%
% Change in Housing Value		4.8%	4.8%	(3.9%)		4.7%	