

Quality of Life Historical Data

NSA 45 Optimist Park

Quality of Life Index		2002	2004	2006	2008	Difference	2008 City-Wide
Rating		Transitioning	Transitioning	Transitioning	Stable	Between 2002-2008	
Profile Variables	Population	460	485	503	733	273	686,291
	Youth Population	154	146	154	222	68	174,650
	Number of Housing Units	176	175	162	245	69	295,624
	Area (Acres)	253	254	254	254	1	183,674
	Median Household Income	\$36,872	\$28,143	\$26,719	\$24,597	(\$12,275)	\$47,670
	Average House Value	\$49,610	\$61,106	\$53,083	\$109,614	\$60,004	\$207,627
Analysis Variables	Social Dimension						
	% of Persons over Age 64	6.1%	6.3%	5.9%	5.5%	(0.6%)	8.7%
	Average Kindergarten Score	2.7	2.5	1.5	2.9	0.2	2.8
	Dropout Rate	13.2%	33.3%	0.0%	9.1%	(4.1%)	5.1%
	% of Children Passing Competency Exams	77.8%	72.7%	71.4%	30.8%	(47.0%)	55.2%
	% of Births to Adolescents	11.8%	16.7%	10.0%	0.0%	(11.8%)	6.6%
	Crime Dimension						
	Violent Crime Rate	6.2	3.6	2.0	1.6	(4.6)	1.0
	Juvenile Crime Rate	1.1	0.4	0.6	0.0	(1.1)	1.0
	Property Crime Rate	3.1	2.3	2.1	2.0	(1.1)	1.0
	Physical Dimension						
	% Substandard Housing	12.0%	9.7%	4.3%	1.2%	(10.8%)	0.7%
	% Homeowners	51.1%	52.6%	56.2%	39.6%	(11.5%)	55.4%
	Projected Infrastructure Improvement Costs	\$1,265,823	\$1,200,000	\$1,663,901	\$2,047,226	\$781,403	
	% 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	Medium	Medium	Medium	Low	Decreased	Low
	Economic Dimension						
	% of Persons Receiving Food Stamps	34.6%	16.5%	28.2%	11.6%	(23.0%)	8.9%
	% Change in Income	81.4%	3.6%	1.1%	(0.4%)	(81.8%)	1.2%
% Change in Housing Value		10.3%	10.3%	17.0%		4.7%	