

Quality of Life Historical Data

NSA 52 Commonwealth

Quality of Life Index		2002	2004	2006	2008	Difference	2008 City-Wide
Rating		Transitioning	Stable	Transitioning	Stable	Between 2002-2008	
Profile Variables	Population	1,256	1,275	1,220	1,176	(80)	686,291
	Youth Population	255	258	273	270	15	174,650
	Number of Housing Units	665	675	676	679	14	295,624
	Area (Acres)	228	240	240	240	12	183,674
	Median Household Income	\$30,880	\$35,158	\$36,870	\$37,803	\$6,923	\$47,670
	Average House Value	\$136,874	\$132,904	\$163,700	\$232,824	\$95,950	\$207,627
Analysis Variables	Social Dimension						
	% of Persons over Age 64	8.6%	8.6%	7.1%	7.1%	(1.5%)	8.7%
	Average Kindergarten Score	2.7	2.6	2.8	2.4	(0.3)	2.8
	Dropout Rate	11.6%	0.0%	17.5%	6.9%	(4.7%)	5.1%
	% of Children Passing Competency Exams	57.6%	56.5%	75.0%	47.1%	(10.5%)	55.2%
	% of Births to Adolescents	3.9%	9.1%	17.9%	5.6%	1.7%	6.6%
	Crime Dimension						
	Violent Crime Rate	2.7	3.0	4.0	3.3	0.6	1.0
	Juvenile Crime Rate	2.5	0.9	1.9	0.3	(2.2)	1.0
	Property Crime Rate	3.3	3.0	2.7	2.2	(1.1)	1.0
	Physical Dimension						
	% Substandard Housing	0.0%	0.0%	0.9%	1.9%	1.9%	0.7%
	% Homeowners	25.4%	26.1%	26.2%	26.4%	1.0%	55.4%
	Projected Infrastructure Improvement Costs	0	0	0	0	0	
	% 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	20.3%	19.7%	19.7%	48.6%	28.3%	19.0%
	Pedestrian Friendliness Index	Low	Medium	Medium	High	No Change	Low
	Economic Dimension						
	% of Persons Receiving Food Stamps	15.0%	16.0%	16.8%	5.5%	(9.4%)	8.9%
	% Change in Income	53.7%	3.4%	3.6%	2.6%	(51.1%)	1.2%
% Change in Housing Value		14.1%	15.7%	16.4%		4.7%	