# Hispanics in New Mexico: An Overview of Population Demographics and Educational Outcomes

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#### **POPULATION DEMOGRAPHICS**



#### "T e Latino Age Wave"

#### According to t e HIP publication, "T e Latino Age Wave":

- Hispanics are younger than any other racial or ethnic group in the United States.
- Relative to other racial and ethnic groups, individuals over 65 years of age represent a small proportion of the total Hispanic population.
- As Hispanics age, the percentage of older Hispanics will begin to swell.

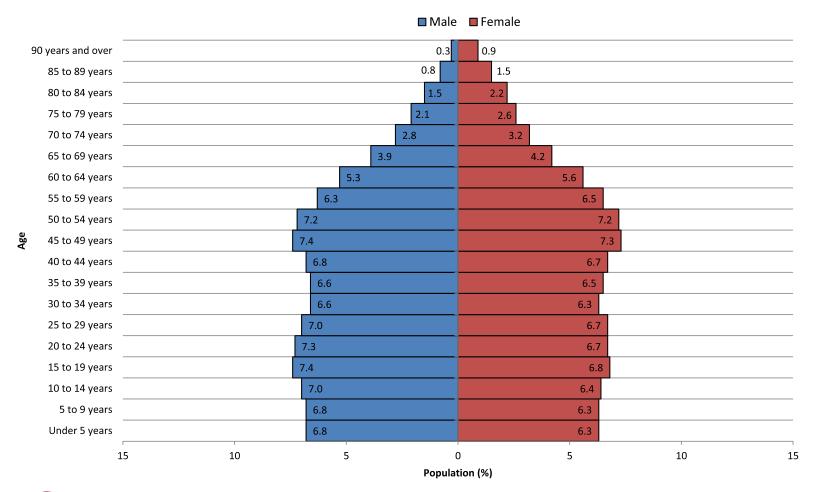
"It is certain t at t e social, economic, and ealt issues facing today's younger Latinos will become t e concerns and needs of Latino older adults in the future. To the extent that this population will comprise a larger percentage of the aged, their health and socioeconomic well-being is a concern not just for Latinos but for t e entire country" (p. 10).



#### **Population Statistics**

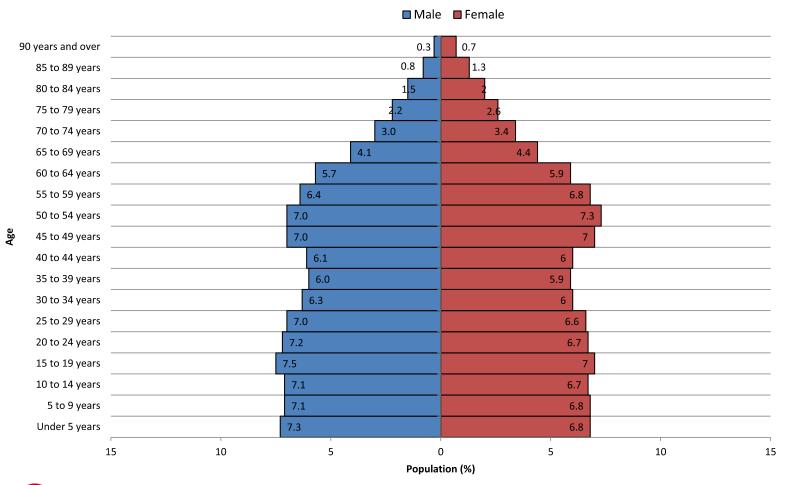


#### "Population Pyramid" in t e <u>United States</u>, All Races and Ethnicities, By Sex and Age Group



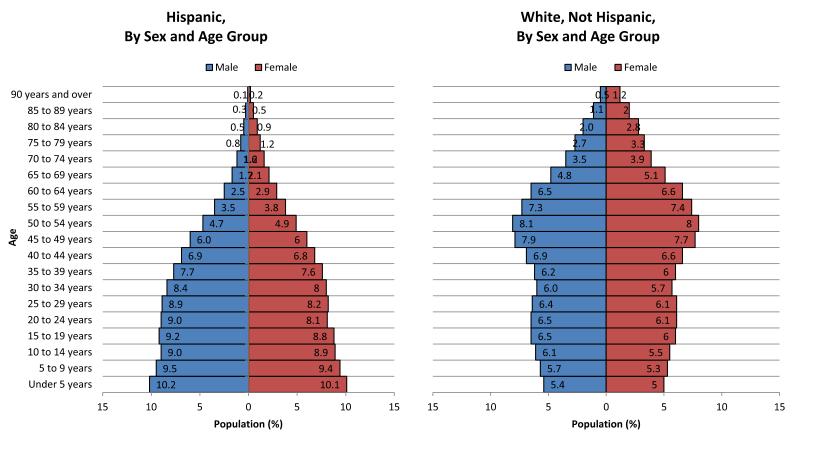
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### Population Pyramid in New Mexico, All Races and Ethnicities, By Sex and Age Group



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### Population Pyramids in the <u>United States</u>: Hispanic vs. White, Non-Hispanic

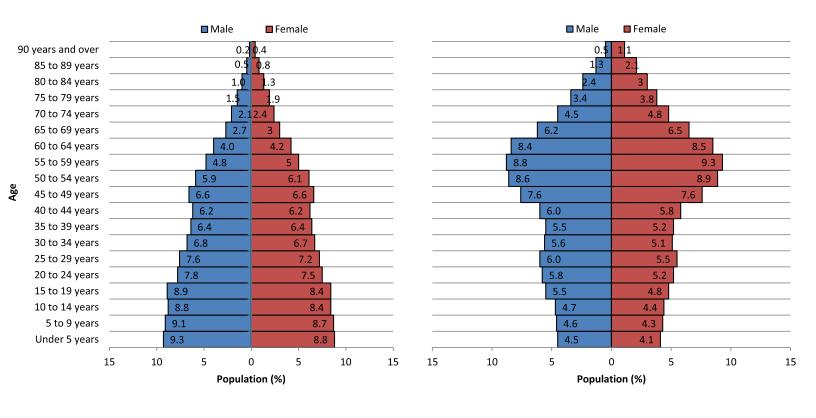


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### Population Pyramids in <u>New Mexico</u>: Hispanic vs. White, Not Hispanic

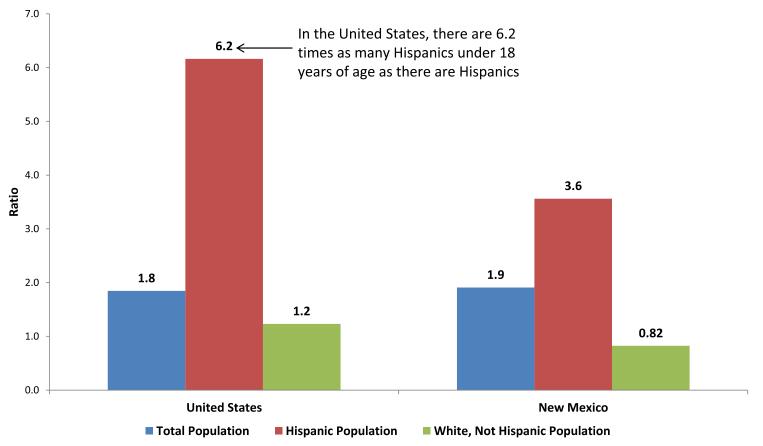


#### White, Not Hispanic, By Sex and Age Group



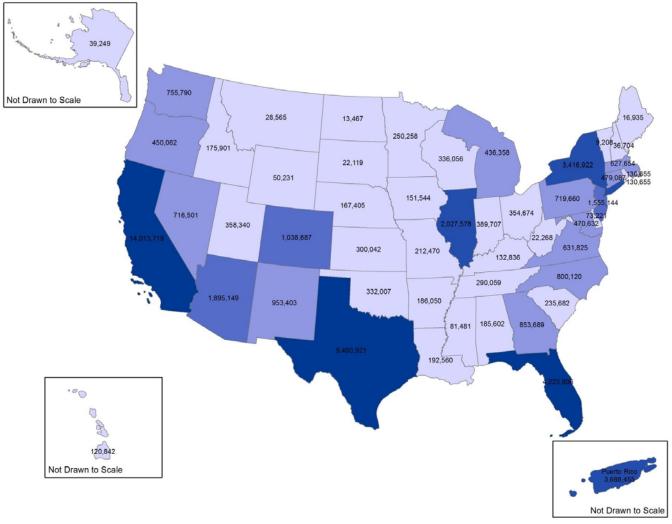
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### Ratio of Population Less than 18 Years of Age to Population Greater than 65 Years of Age



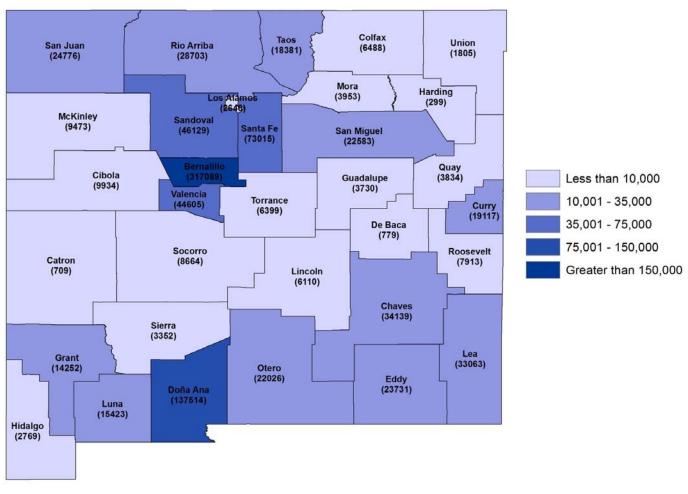
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#### **Hispanic Population, All Ages**



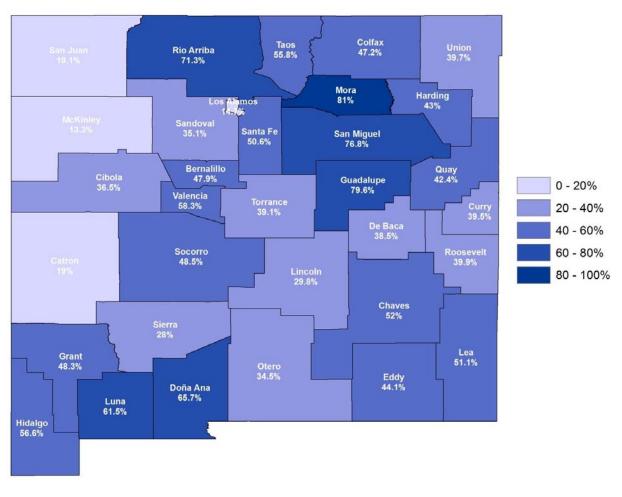
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#### Hispanic Population, All Ages, By County



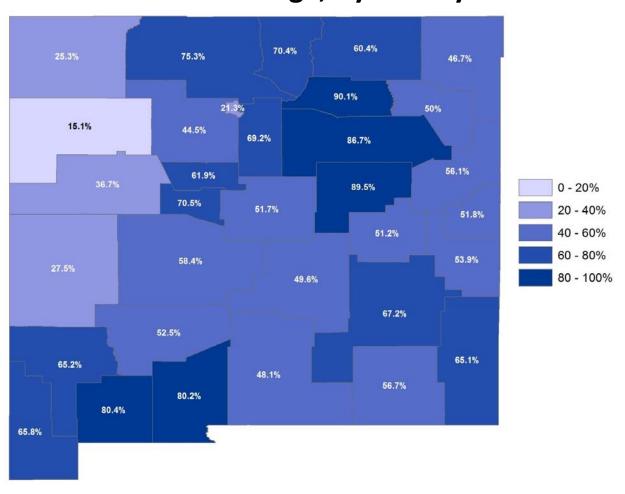
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### Hispanics as a Percentage of the Total Population, All Ages, By County



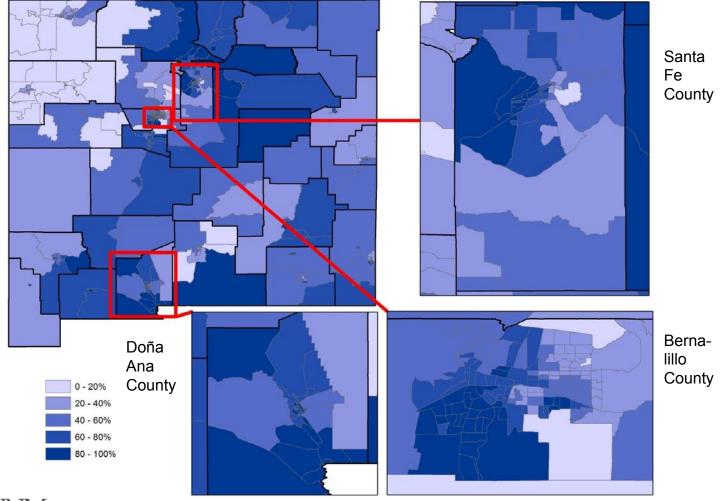
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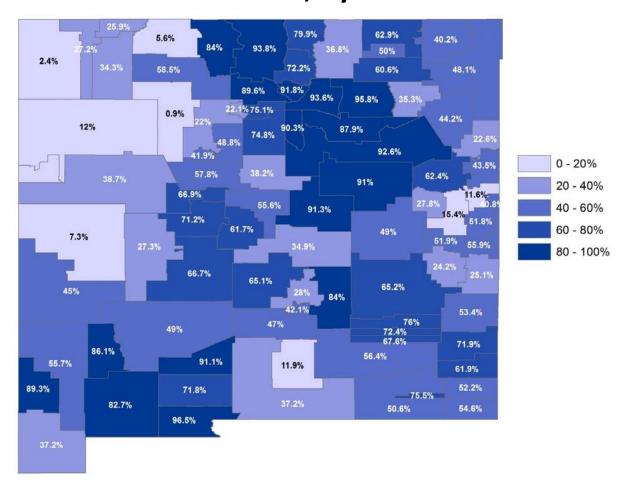
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### Hispanics as a Percentage of Individuals Under 18 Years of Age, By Census Tract



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#### Hispanics as a Percentage of Students Enrolled in Public Schools, By School District



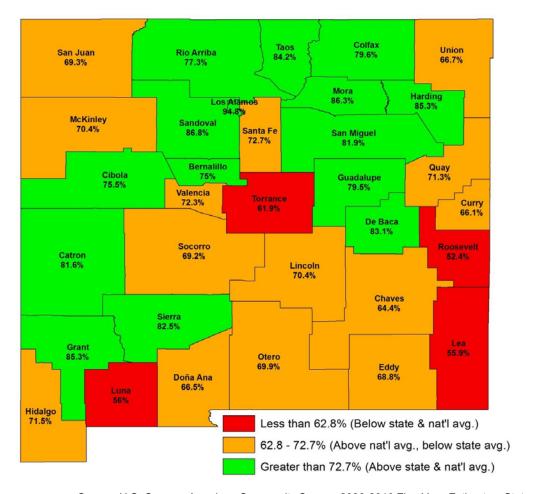


Source: New Mexico Public Education Department, 2009-2010 School Year. Enrollment is based on the 40-day count. Note that state-chartered charter schools are not included in these calculations.

#### **Educational Attainment**



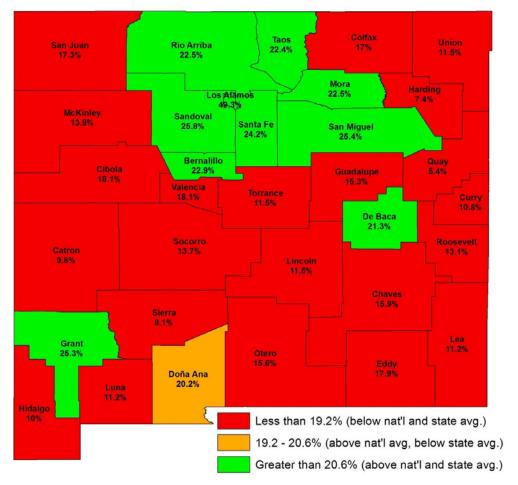
### Percentage of Working-Age Hispanics, 25-64, With a High School Diploma, GED, or Higher, By County





Source: U.S. Census, American Community Survey, 2006-2010 Five-Year Estimates. State and national averages for Hispanics are from the 2010 American Community Survey (nat'l = 62.8%; state = 72.7%). The percentage of the *total* population with a high school diploma, GED, or above is 82.7% (state) and 85.0% (nation).

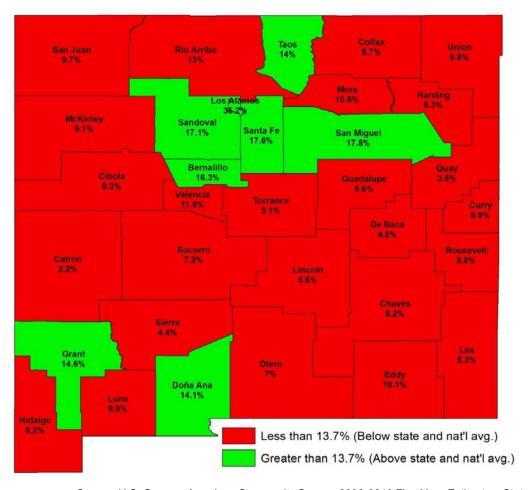
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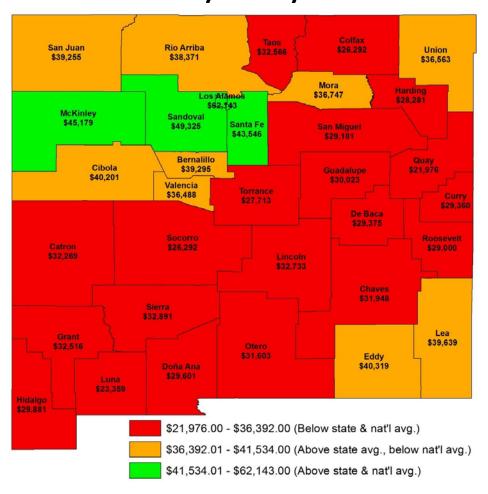


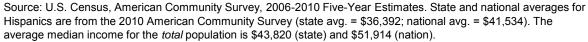
Source: U.S. Census, American Community Survey, 2006-2010 Five-Year Estimates. State and national averages for Hispanics are from the 2010 American Community Survey (nat'l = 13.5%; state = 13.7%). The percentage of the *total* population with a BA or above is 25.5% (state) and 27.9% (nation).

#### **Income & Poverty**

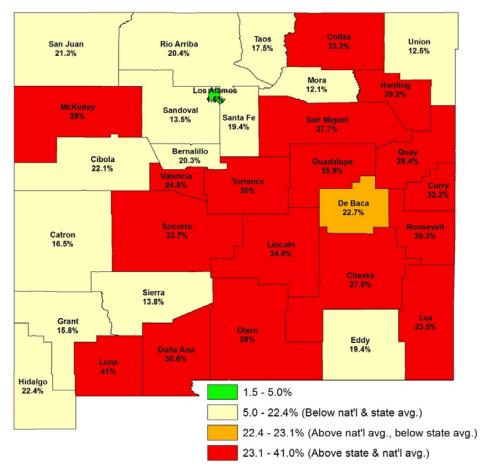


### Median Income for the Hispanic Population, By County



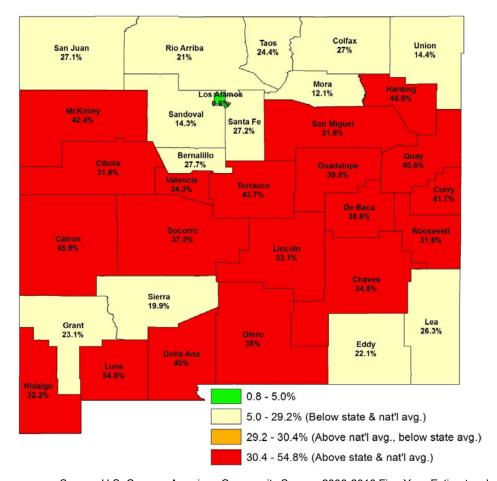


#### Percentage of Hispanics Living Below the Poverty Line, By County



Source: U.S. Census, American Community Survey, 2006-2010 Five-Year Estimates. In 2010, the weighted average poverty threshold for a family of four was \$22,314 (<a href="http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/poverty/data/threshld/">http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/poverty/data/threshld/</a>). State and national averages for Hispanics are from the 2010 American Community Survey (state avg. = 23.1%; national avg. = 22.4%). The percentage of the *total* population living in poverty is 18.4% (state) and 13.8% (nation).

### Percentage of Hispanic Children Under 18 Years of Age Living Below the Poverty Line, By County

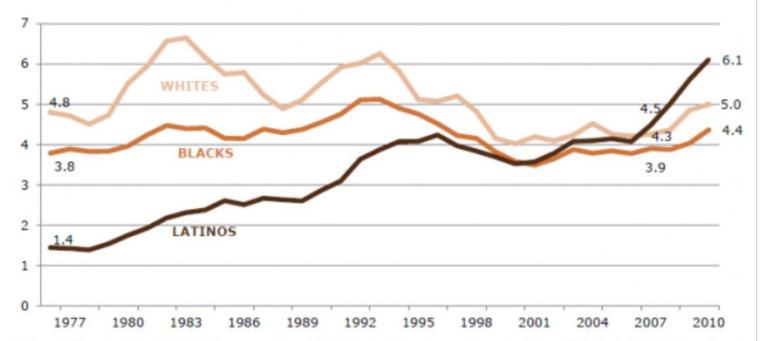


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Figure 1

Number of Children in Poverty, by Race and Ethnicity, 1976-2010

(in millions)



Notes: Children include all individuals younger than 18. Whites include only non-Hispanic whites. Blacks include both Hispanic and non-Hispanic components of the black population.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/poverty/data/incpovhlth/2010/index.html

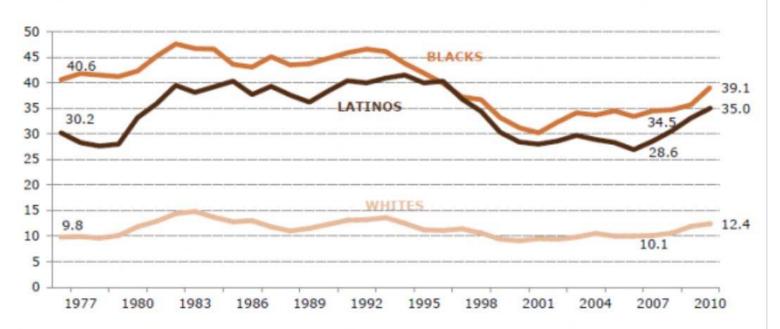
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Source: http://www.pewhispanic.org/2011/09/28/childhood-poverty-among-hispanics-sets-record-leads-nation/



Figure 2

Poverty Rate of Children, by Race and Ethnicity, 1976-2010
(%)



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#### The Relationship Between Family Income and Education

- The median income of Hispanics in New Mexico is below the national average in all but four counties.
- Significant numbers of Hispanics within New Mexico live in families with income below the federal poverty level.
- Prior research points to a strong direct relationship between family income (poverty) and student success.
- "Poverty" is too broad a term. We need to unpack the concept to understand the many ways in w ic poverty impinges upon a c ild's ability to succeed in school and out of school.
- The effects of poverty are felt in multiple ways, including:
  - Access to quality child care
  - Academic achievement
  - Truancy
  - Student and family mobility
  - High school graduation
  - Hunger
  - Access to health care
  - Parental involvement
  - Access to quality out-of-school-time programs and activities
- In order to tackle "poverty," we need to understand the complex ways in which poverty intersects with student success to design targeted solutions both in school and out of school, and at all levels within our state and communities.



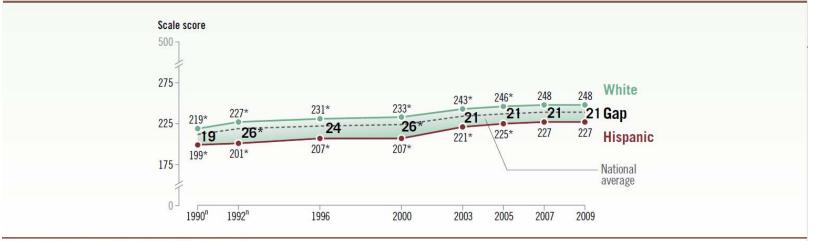
#### THE PATH TO GRADUATION



## Academic Achievement & The Achievement Gap



Figure 5. Mathematics achievement score gaps between Hispanic and White public school students at grade 4: Various years, 1990–2009



Accommodations were not permitted for this assessment.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences, National Center for Education Statistics, National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), various years 1990–2009 Mathematics Assessments.

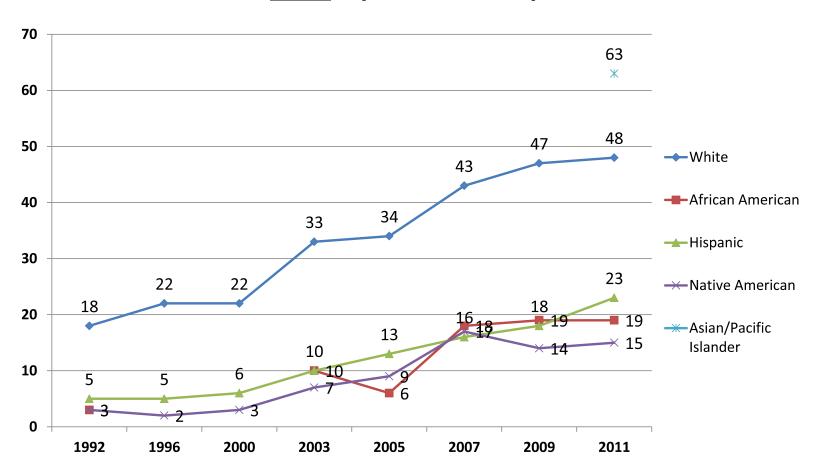
Source: http://nces.ed.gov/pubsearch/pubsinfo.asp?pubid=2011459



<sup>\*</sup> Significantly different (p<.05) from 2009.

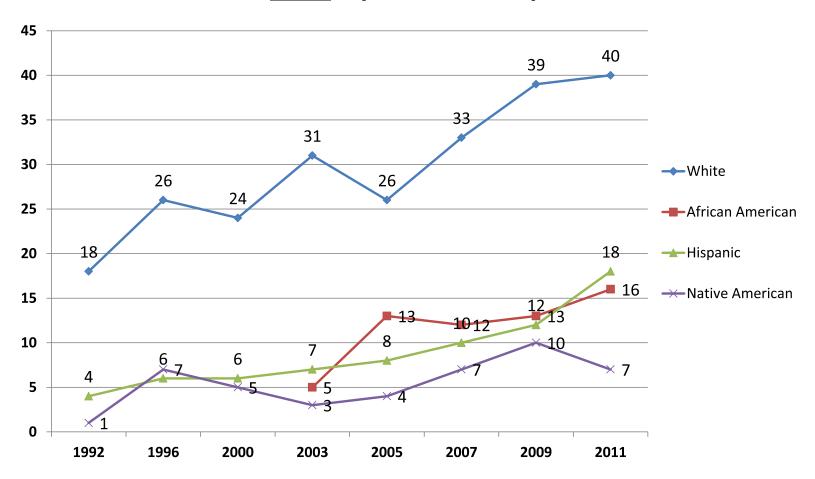
NOTE: Score gaps are calculated based on differences between unrounded average scores.

### Percentage of NM 4th Grade Students Scoring At or Above Proficient in Math, By Race/Ethnicity



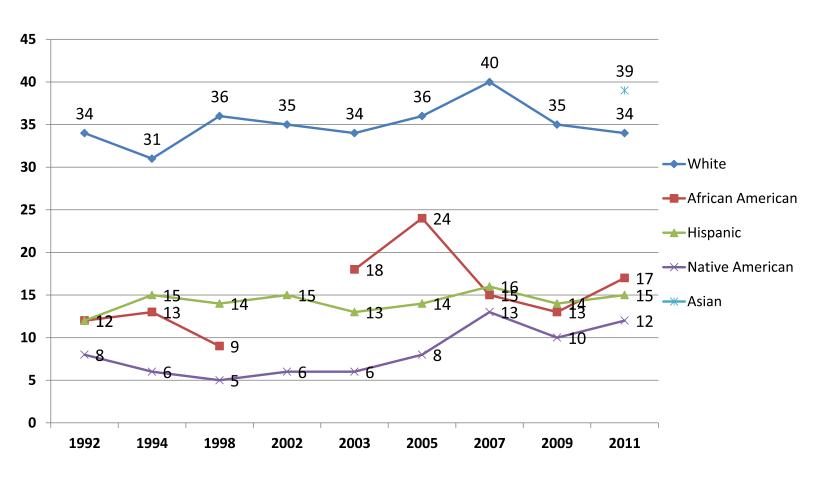


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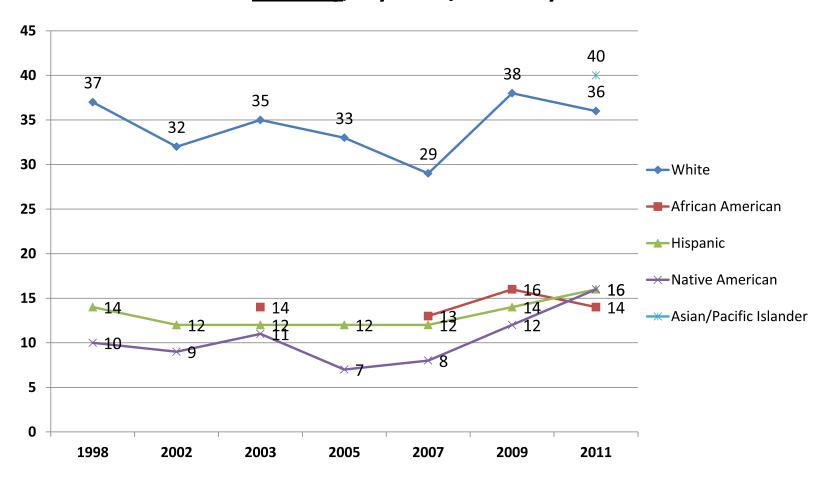


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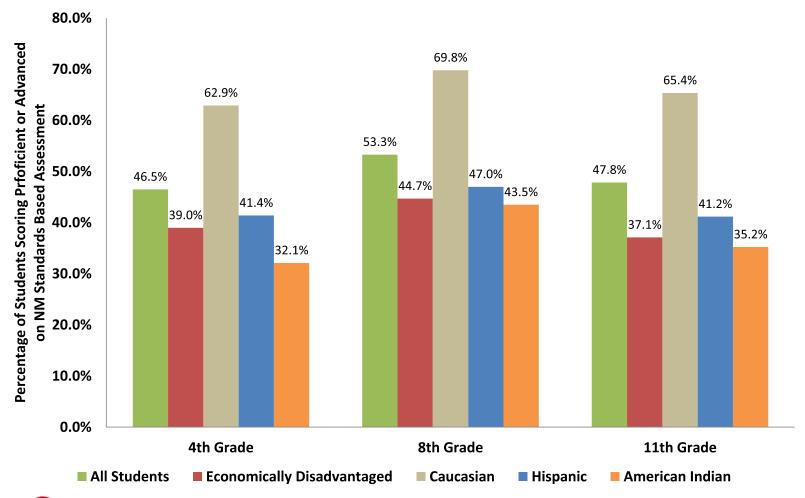


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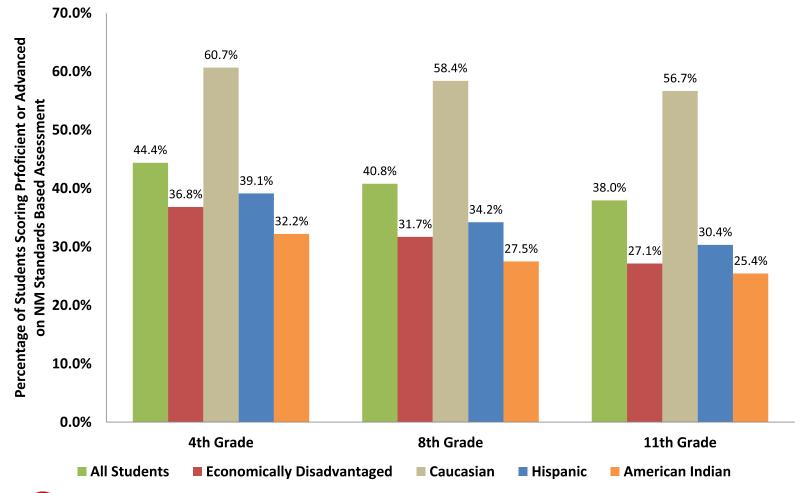
#### Percentage of <u>New Mexico</u> Students Proficient or Above in <u>Reading</u>, By Grade Level and Subgroup



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Source: Standards Based Assessment, 2010-2011, NM Public Education Department.

#### Percentage of <u>New Mexico</u> Students Proficient or Above in <u>Math</u>, By Grade Level and Subgroup



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#### **Selected Research on the Achievement Gap**

- Socioeconomic and Societal Factors: Income, Socioeconomic Status (SES), Health & Environment
  - Achievement gap highly correlated with income, socioeconomic background of families.
  - For example, higher income, more educated parents read to their children more, have higher expectations of their c ildren's sc ool performance, are more comfortable challenging teachers, and are more able to help with home work.
  - Poor health can affect school performance of low-income students (e.g., vision impairments, asthma, hunger, etc.).
- School Factors: School Inequality, Institutional Racism
  - Inadequate school funding, inequitable distribution of effective teachers and school leaders, inferior curriculum, and insufficient technology and textbooks all contribute to the achievement gap.
  - "T e soft bigotry of low expectations" George W. Bush.



## Early Warning Indicators, High School Graduation, & The Graduation Gap



#### **Introduction to Early Warning Indicators**

#### Future Dropouts can be identified in as early as 6th grade

#### The Primary "Off-Track" Indicators for Potential Dropouts:

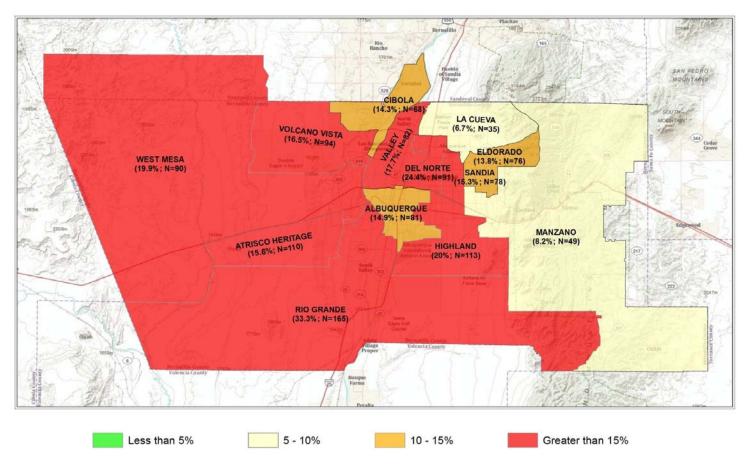
- Attendance: <85-90% school attendance</li>
- Behavior: "unsatisfactory" be avior mark in at least one class
- Course Performance: A final grade of "F" in Mat and/or English or Credit-Bearing HS Course

Source: Robert Balfanz, "Building a Grad Nation: The Role of Learning Beyond the Classroom," Presentation to the C.S. Mott Foundation, September 2011.



#### **Early Warning Indicators:**

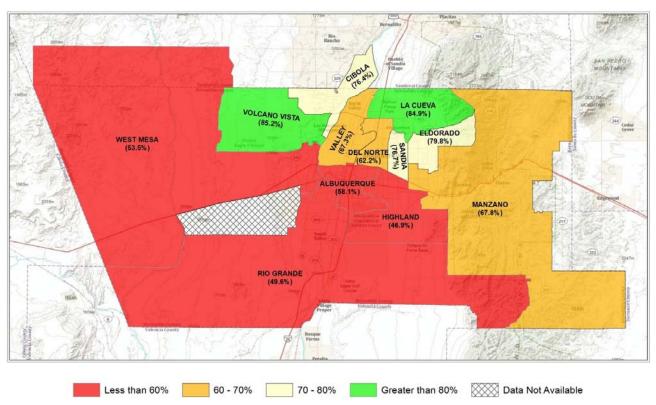
# Percentage of Students Entering 9<sup>th</sup> Grade with One or More F grades and 5 or More Absences in 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Core Courses





Source: Albuquerque Public Schools, School Max, 2011-2012 School Year. Data provided by APS RDA Department. Analysis performed by CEPR.

## Albuquerque Public Schools Four-Year High School Graduation Rate, All Students, Class of 2010



According to the Alliance for Excellent Education, there are nearly 2000 high schools nationally that graduate less than 60% of their students within four years.

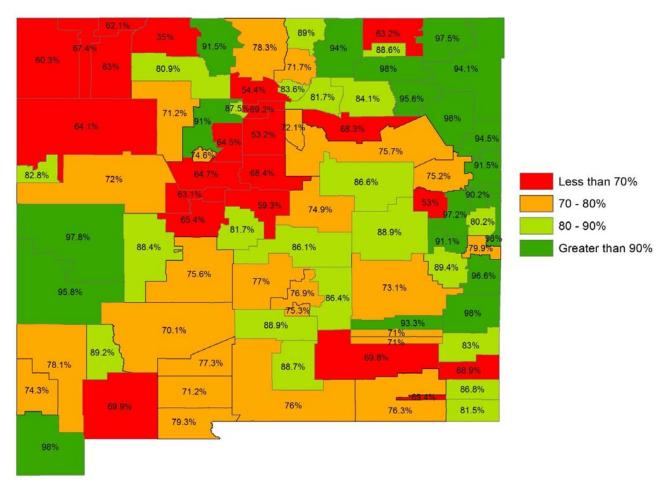
These schools disproportionately produce 51% of the nation's dropouts.

APS has four high schools with less than a 60% graduation rate.



Source: NM Public Education Department, 4-Year Cohort High School Graduation Rate, Class of 2010. Data were unavailable for Atrisco Heritage Academy High School, which did not have a graduating class in 2010. Alliance for Excellent Education statistics taken from http://www.all4ed.org/about\_the\_crisis/schools/dropout.

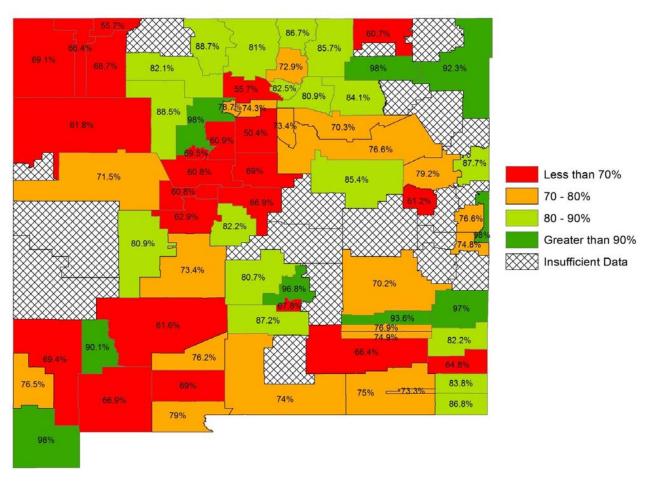
# Four-Year High School Graduation Rate, All Students, By District, Class of 2010





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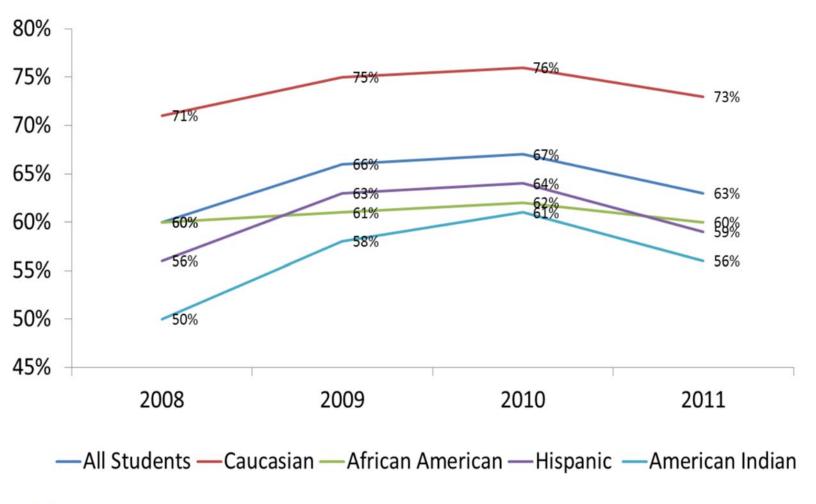
#### Four-Year High School Graduation Rate, Hispanics, By District





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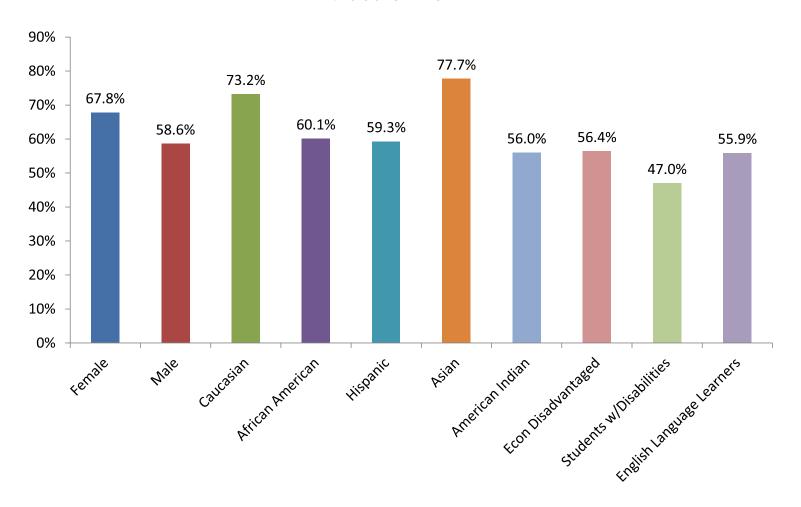
## Statewide Four-Year High School Graduation Rate, By Race and Ethnicity





Source: NM Public Education Department, 4-Year Cohort High School Graduation Rate.

#### Statewide Graduation Gap, Class of 2011



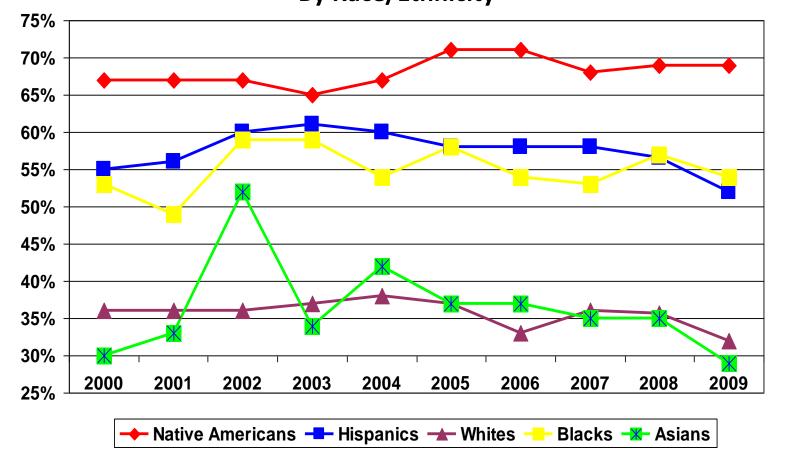


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# College Remediation, Retention, & Graduation



#### Percentage of New Mexico Public High School Graduates Attending New Mexico Colleges Who Took Remedial Classes, By Race/Ethnicity

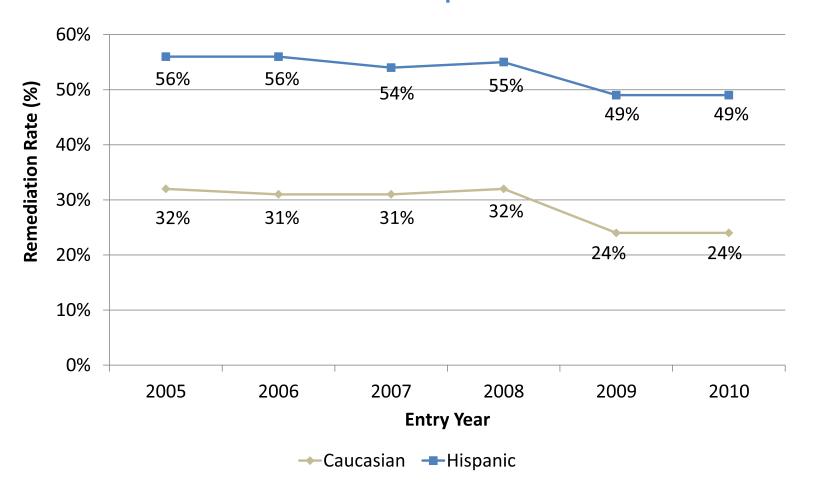




Source: "Ready For College? A Report on New Mexico's High School Graduates Who Take Remedial Courses In College," June 2010, New Mexico Office of Education Accountability. Data do not include charter or alternative schools.

#### % of UNM Freshmen Placed into Remedial Courses,

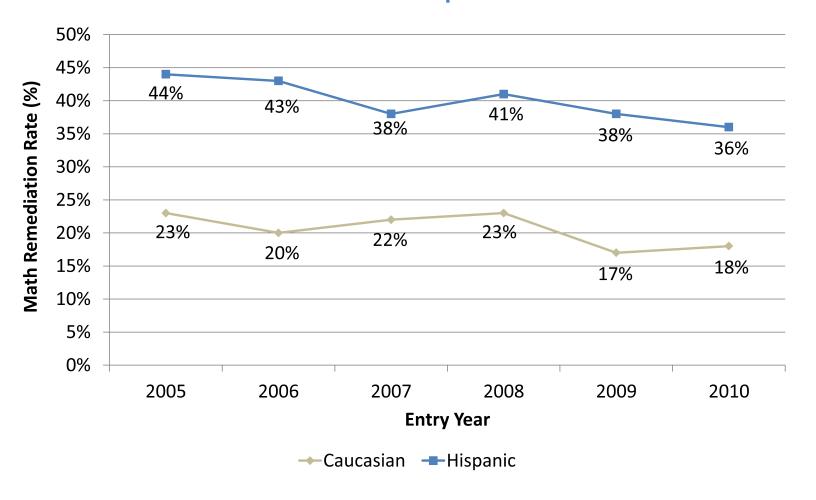
#### **For Caucasian and Hispanic Students**





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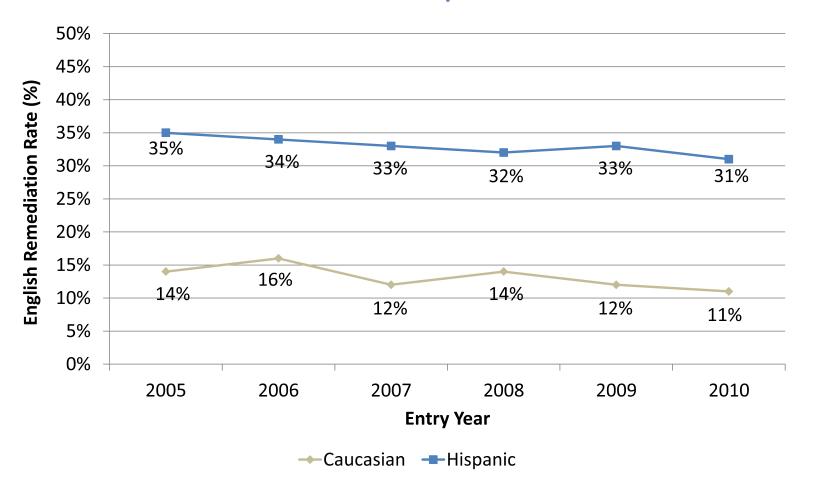
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#### % of UNM Freshmen Placed into Remedial English,

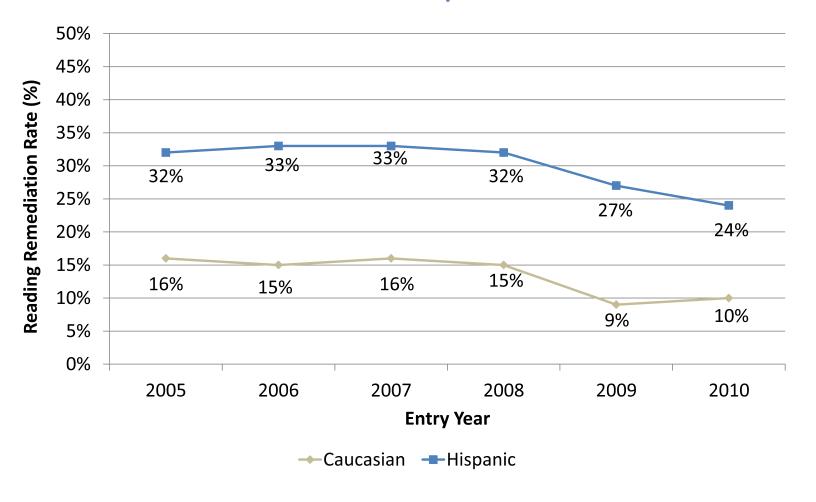
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#### % of UNM Freshmen Placed into Remedial Reading,

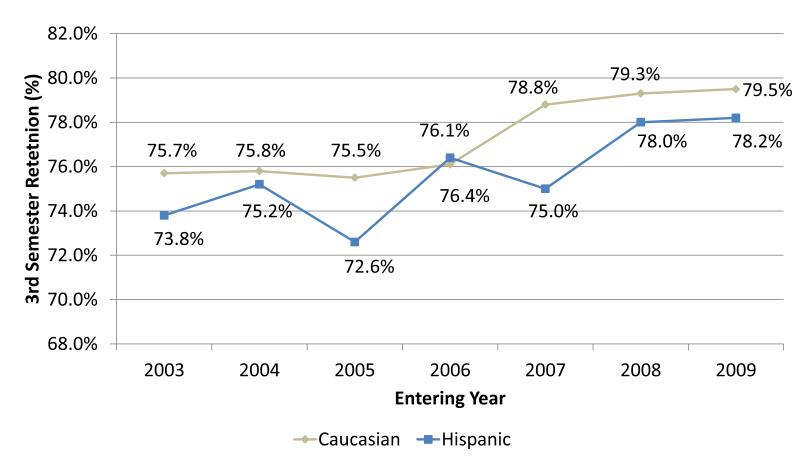
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#### **Average UNM Retention Rates of**

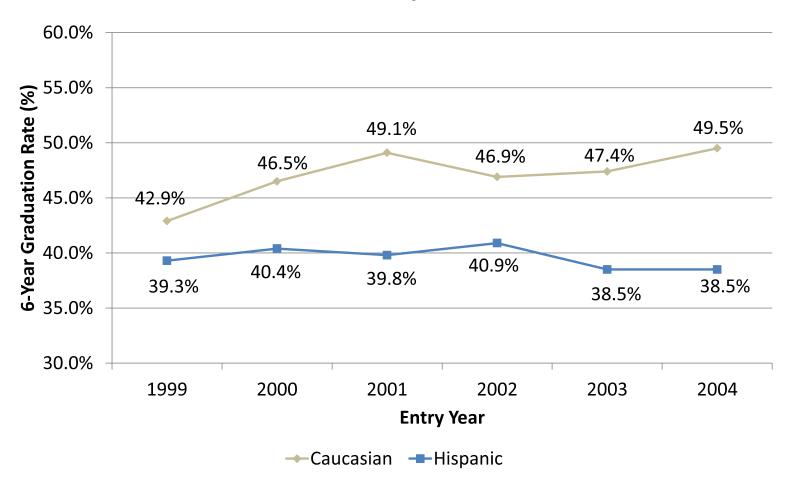
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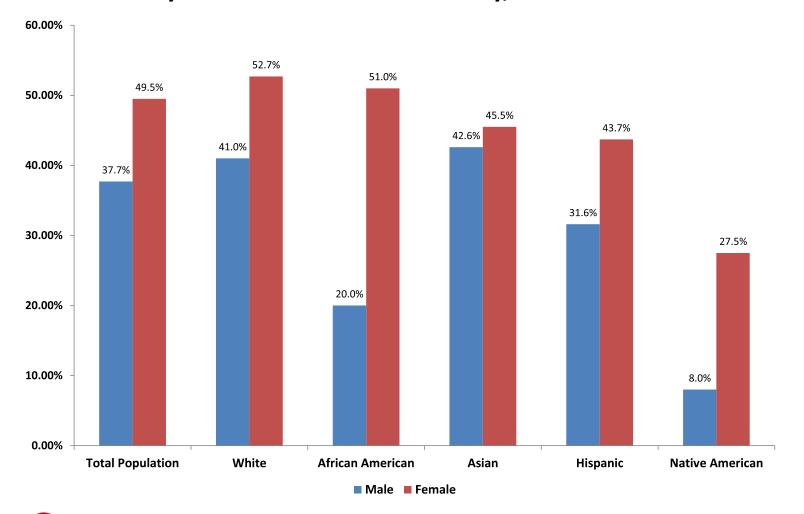
#### **Average UNM Graduation Rates of**

#### **Caucasian and Hispanic Students**





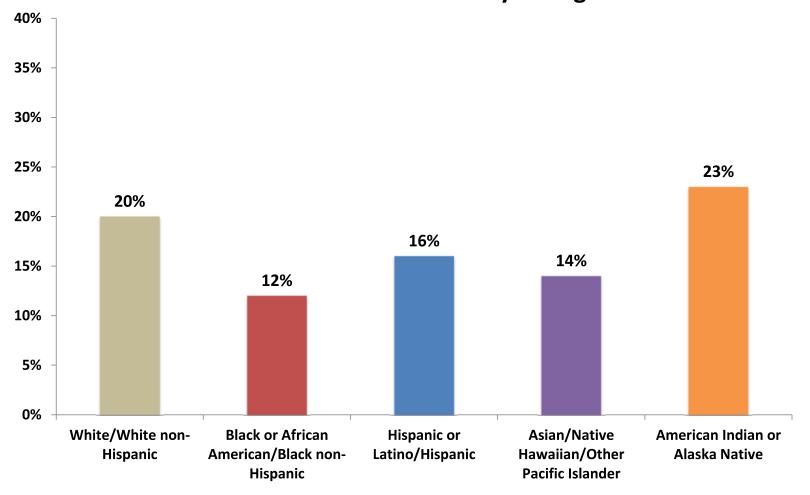
# UNM Graduation Gap, By Gender and Race & Ethnicity, 2004 Cohort





Sources: UNM OIR Freshman Tracking Cohort Report; UNM Division of Equity & Inclusion

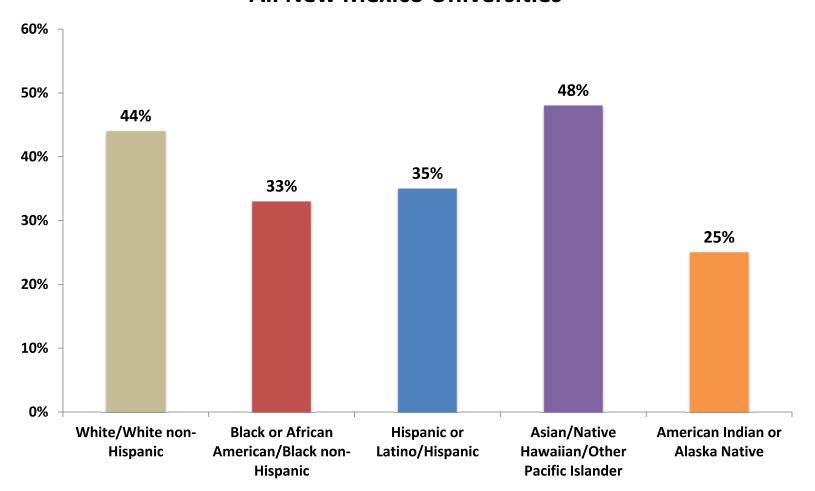
# Three-Year Graduation Rates, All New Mexico Community Colleges



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Source: IPEDS National Data Center Profile For New Mexico, 2009

#### Six-Year Graduation Rates, All New Mexico Universities





Source: IPEDS National Data Center Profile For New Mexico, 2009

## **RISK FACTORS**



## **Truancy**



#### **Selected Research on Truancy**

 Prior research indicates that high truancy rates are associated with high poverty.

#### Student Factors

 Truancy is associated with a decrease in pupil motivation, falling behind academically, losing interest, and avoiding class.

#### School Factors

 Truancy is higher in schools where there is inconsistent enforcement of truancy policies, poor interaction between parents and school personnel, unsupportive teachers, uncertified teachers, and low sensitivity to diversity issues.

#### Family and Parental Factors

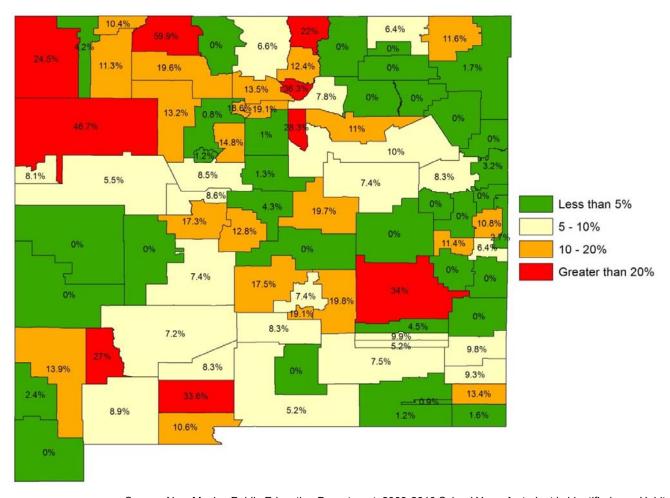
 Parental involvement is strongly correlated with socioeconomic status (SES). Higher income parents tend to be more involved in teir cildren's education in numerous ways.

#### Neighborhood and Community Factors

- Lower SES neighborhoods tend to experience higher truancy rates due to inadequate youth support systems.
- Higher SES neighborhoods tend to invest more in community and youth development because there is less residential mobility and a higher degree of home ownership.



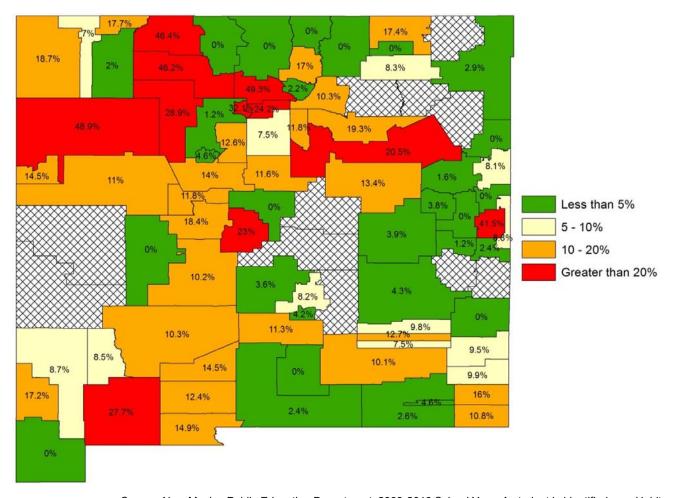
# Percentage of Elementary School Students Who Were Habitually Truant, By School District



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Source: New Mexico Public Education Department, 2009-2010 School Year. A student is identified as a Habitual Truant when the student has accumulated 10 or more days of unexcused absences.

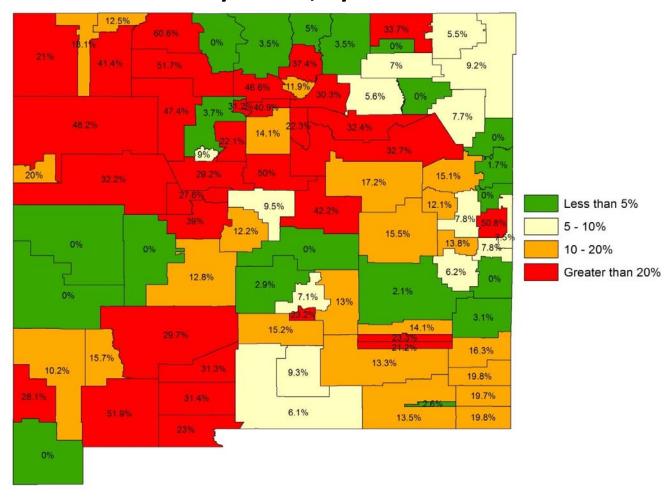
# Percentage of Middle & Junior High School Students Who Were Habitually Truant, By School District





Source: New Mexico Public Education Department, 2009-2010 School Year. A student is identified as a Habitual Truant when the student has accumulated 10 or more days of unexcused absences.

# Percentage of High School Students Who Were Habitually Truant, By School District





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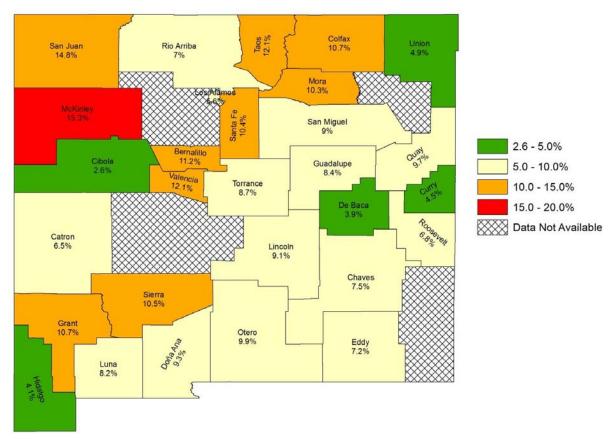
### Hunger



## Percentage of Middle School Students with Not Enough Food to Eat, By County

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, 14.5% of U.S. households were food insecure at some time during 2010.

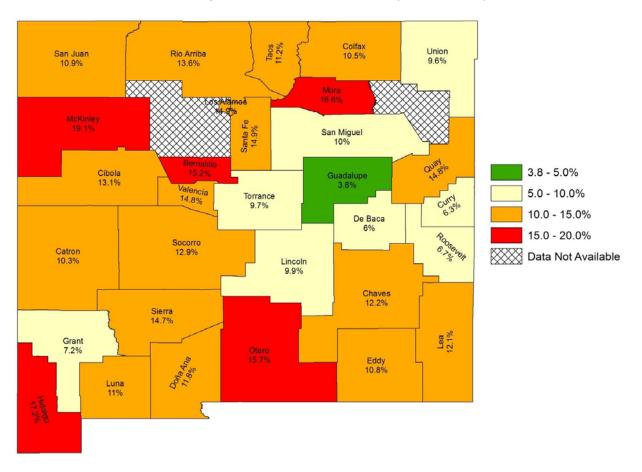
In New Mexico, 15.4% of households were food insecure from 2008 through 2010.





Source: New Mexico Youth Risk and Resiliency Survey, 2009. Students were asked, "During the past 12 months, which of the following statements best describes the food eaten by you and your family?" The percentage reported here reflects respondents who answered "Sometimes not enough food to eat" and "Often not enough food to eat." USDA data taken from http://www.ers.usda.gov/Briefing/FoodSecurity/.

## Percentage of High School Students with Not Enough Food to Eat, By County



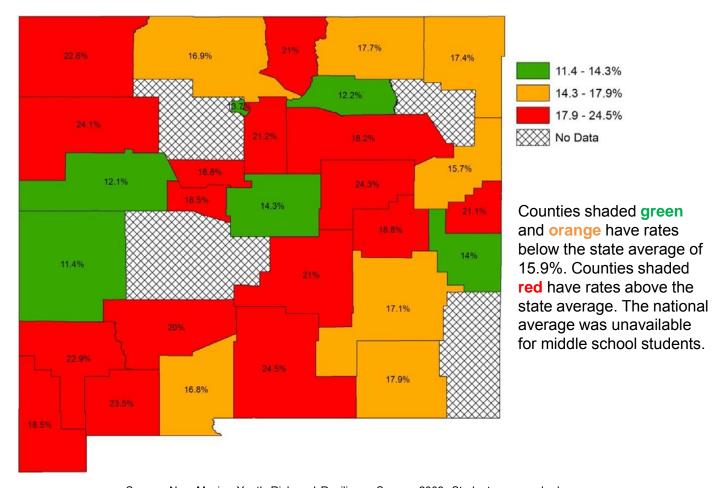


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## Suicidal Thoughts, Attempted Suicide, & Suicide



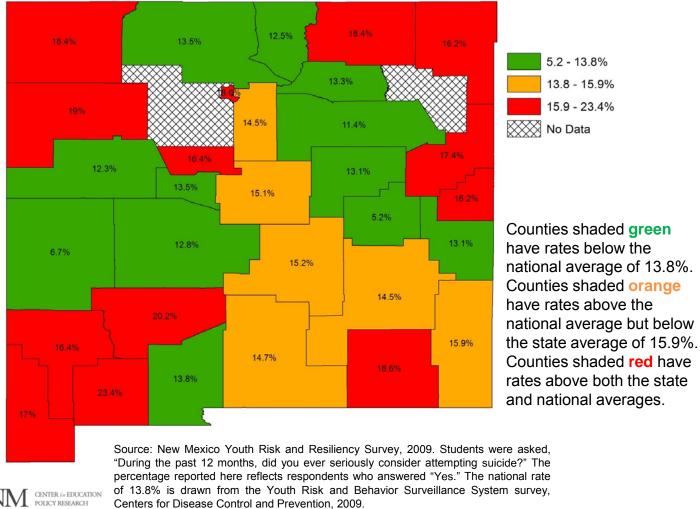
#### Percentage of Middle School Students Who Seriously Considered Attempting Suicide





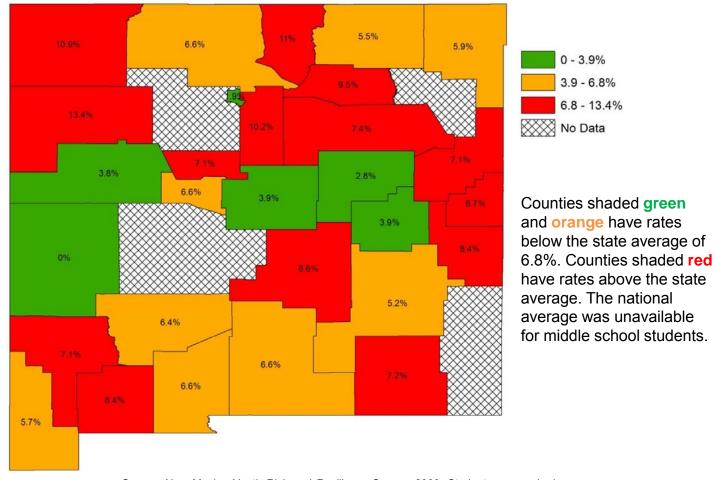
Source: New Mexico Youth Risk and Resiliency Survey, 2009. Students were asked, "During the past 12 months, did you ever seriously consider attempting suicide?" The percentage reported here reflects respondents who answered "Yes."

#### **Percentage of High School Students Who Seriously Considered Attempting Suicide**





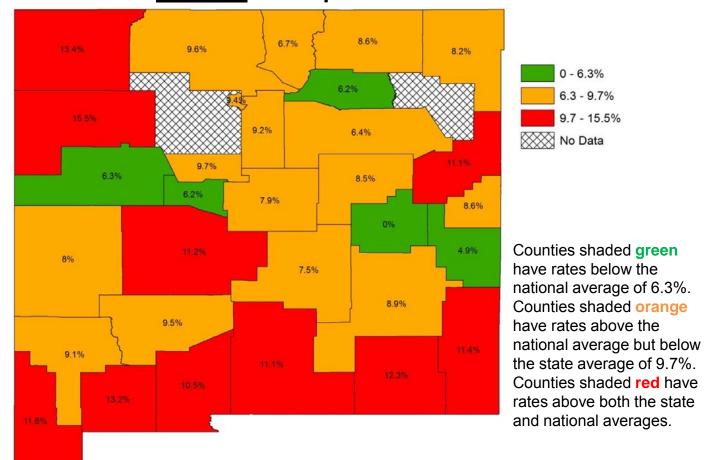
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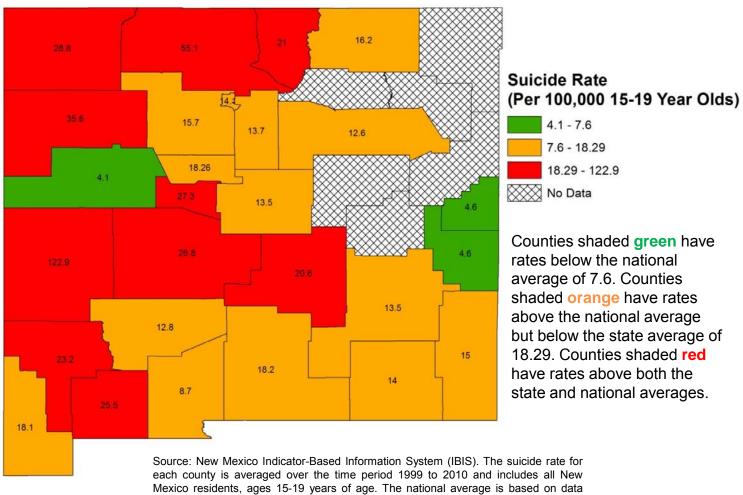
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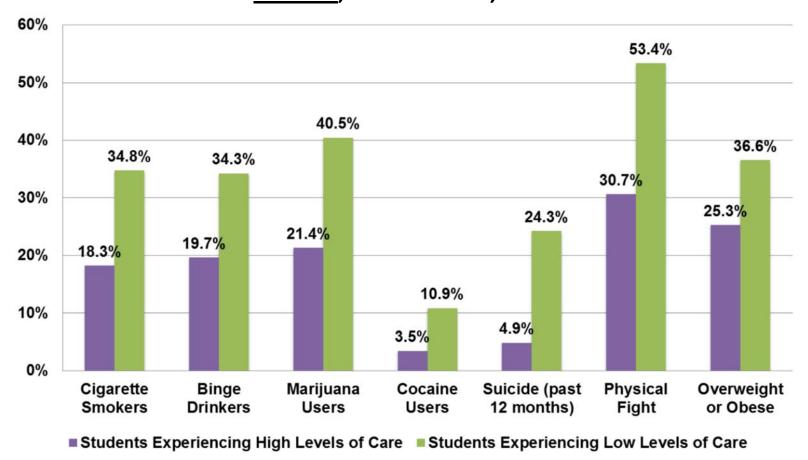
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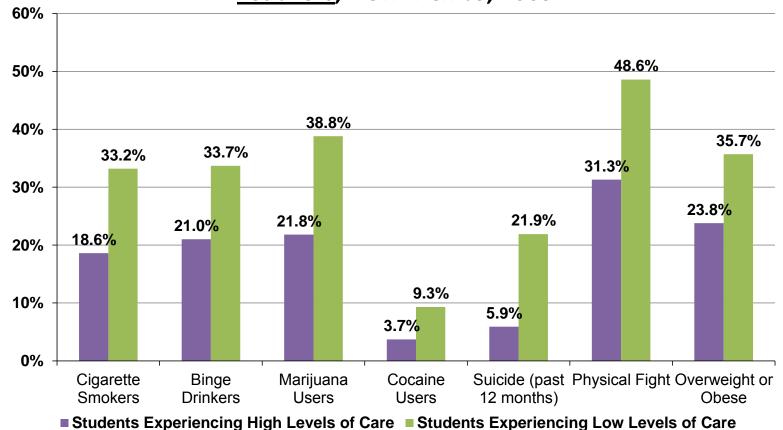
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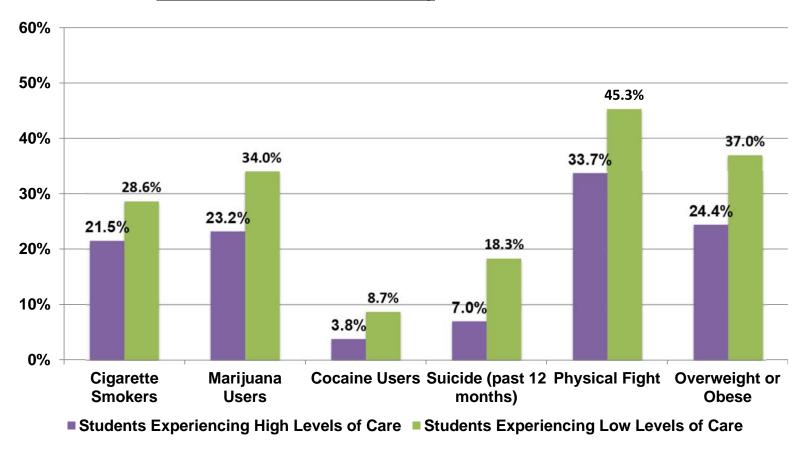
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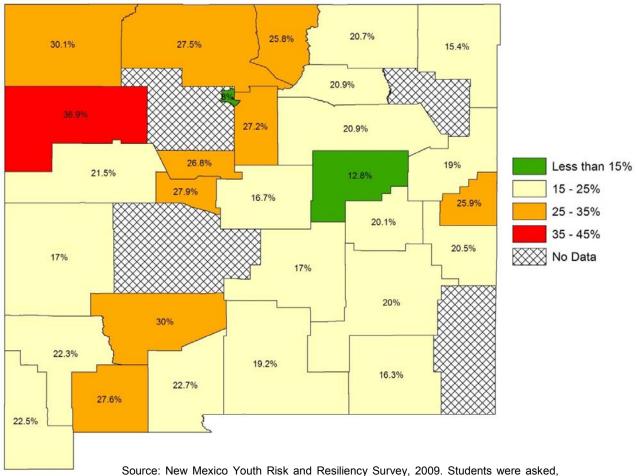


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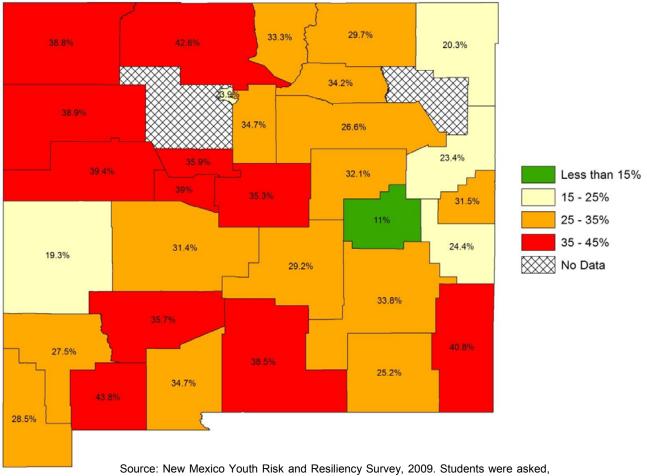
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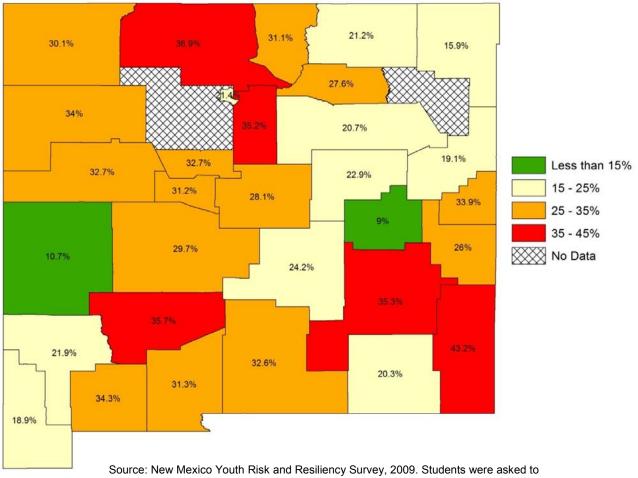
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