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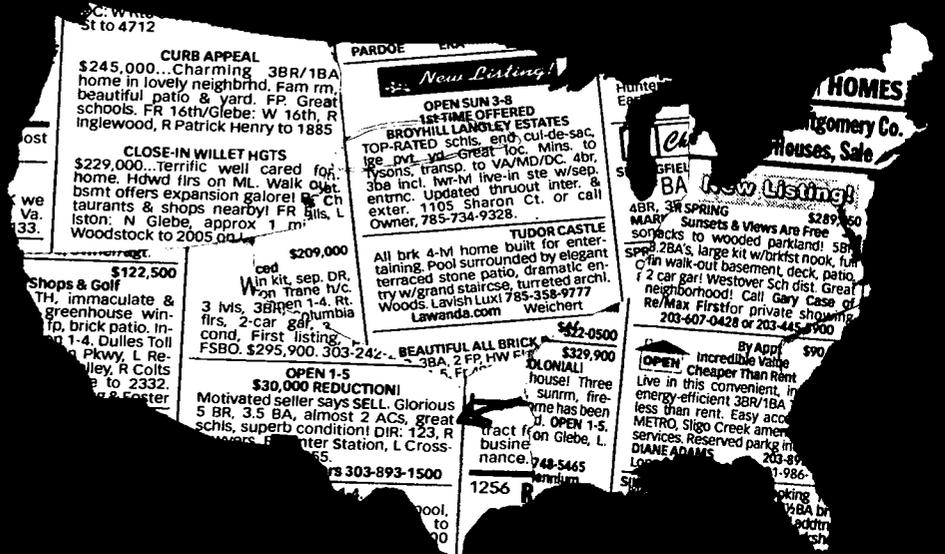
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ABSTRACT

This document profiles opinions on education quality in 55 of the largest cities in the United States. The findings were drawn from a survey analyzed by the Educational Testing Service in which parents were asked their opinions on the public elementary schools in their neighborhood, their views on crime and neighborhood choice, and whether education or crime was such a serious concern that they would like to move. In most cities, between 70 and 95% of households with children were satisfied with their public elementary schools, although in more than half of the cities, upwards of 16% were dissatisfied with their public schools. In most cities, poor schools would prompt only a fraction of households to move. Cities with the largest percentage of households that were dissatisfied did not necessarily have the most intense dissatisfaction. Cities in which there was the highest degree of satisfaction were also the cities with the greatest percentage of children in public schools. In nearly every city, households with children were more concerned about crime than the schools. The differences in school satisfaction between the cities and suburbs were pronounced in most metropolitan areas. However, in the suburbs, as in the cities, concerns related to crime outweighed concerns about the schools. An appendix discusses data collection and survey methodology. (SLD)

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Introduction

School Satisfaction profiles opinions on education quality in 55 of America's largest cities and their surrounding suburbs. The findings were drawn from an Educational Testing Service analysis of the American Housing Survey, a survey sponsored by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and conducted by the U.S. Bureau of the Census. In the survey, parents were asked their opinions on the public elementary schools in their neighborhood, their views on crime and neighborhood choice, and if education or crime were of such a grave concern that they would like to move. The survey also allowed us to assess views on the quality of public schools among parents with children enrolled in either public or private schools.

The American Housing Survey collects metropolitan data every year, and this report includes data from surveys administered between 1990 and 1996. In total, about 46 metropolitan areas are surveyed through this program but only a select number are chosen to participate in any given survey year. Accordingly, each metropolitan area is only re-surveyed every four to six years. Both the national and metropolitan surveys provide a wealth of information on household dwellings, family composition, income, and mobility, housing and neighborhood quality, housing costs, equipment, and fuels.

This report presents an opportunity to evaluate parental views on the quality of public elementary schools in cities and metropolitan suburbs across America. Comparing each city with other major U.S. cities provides a profile of school satisfaction among the nation's inner cities, while comparisons with each city's suburban neighbors provide a look at the differences in suburban and urban educational satisfaction.

Major Findings

City Trends

The majority of households were satisfied with their public elementary schools, but a substantial proportion found their local public education unsatisfactory.

In most cities, between 70 and 95 percent of households with children were satisfied with their public elementary schools.¹ However, in more than one-half of the cities, upwards of 16 percent of the households were dissatisfied with the public education in their neighborhood schools (see Table 1, page 18). The cities of Cleveland and Oakland had the largest proportion of parents who were dissatisfied with their public schools, where more than one-third of the households in Cleveland and 32 percent of Oakland households found the quality of their public schools inadequate. Cincinnati, Philadelphia, and Chicago rounded out the top five cities most dissatisfied with their public schools. Only six cities surveyed had fewer than 10 percent of the households dissatisfied with their public elementary schools—Santa Ana, CA, Riverside, CA, Tampa, Virginia Beach, San Antonio, and Norfolk.

¹All data in this report, unless otherwise noted, include only households with at least one child age 0 to 16.

In most cities, poor school quality would prompt only a fraction of households to move.

In more than three-quarters of the cities surveyed, fewer than 10 percent of households indicated they wanted to move because of poor school quality (see Table 1). Cities with the largest proportion of households sufficiently dissatisfied to move—greater than 15 percent—included Cleveland, Oakland, Philadelphia, and Arlington, TX.

The intensity of school dissatisfaction varied greatly by city. Cities with the largest percentage of households that were dissatisfied did not necessarily have the most intense dissatisfaction.

One measure of the intensity of school dissatisfaction would be the proportion of dissatisfied households so unhappy with public education they wanted to move to a new area. But surprisingly, parents in cities with the highest percentage of households dissatisfied with their public schools were not necessarily ready to move.

In one-half of the cities, the proportion of households dissatisfied with their public schools was at least twice as great as the proportion that wanted to

²The data in this section include households with children age 5 to 16.

³The data in this section only include households with children age 5 to 13.

⁴Sample size restrictions only allowed the examination of school enrollment patterns in unsatisfied households for about 18 percent of the cities.

⁵Comparing the metropolitan area data with the suburb data suggested that some cities had a lower percentage of unsatisfied students enrolled in public schools than the metropolitan average suggested. In those areas where the metropolitan average was lower than the suburb average, city estimates must be lower than the metropolitan area estimates in order to draw the metropolitan area average down. However, in other cities the metropolitan area average was higher than the suburb average indicating that a higher proportion of unsatisfied students were in city public schools than in suburban public schools.

⁶The data in this section only include households with children age 5 to 13.

⁷It is not within the scope of this analysis to address the educational, cultural, and regional differences that affect the widely divergent local marketplaces for public and private education. One recent study, for example, reports that in 1995-96, nonpublic school enrollments (first through twelfth grade) in the West represented 7.9 percent of the total enrollment in the region, in contrast with 14.1 percent of the total enrollment in the Northeast
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move. Upwards of 70 percent of all dissatisfied households in Riverside, CA, Santa Ana, CA, and Salt Lake City found the quality of their public elementary schools so poor that they wanted to move (see *Table 2, page 21*). Kansas City, KS, Arlington, TX, and Cleveland also reported intense dissatisfaction with their schools, but unlike cities with the most intense dissatisfaction, these cities also had a large proportion of unsatisfied parents. Only Cleveland, Oakland, and Arlington, TX ranked among the top 10 cities both in school dissatisfaction and intensity of that school dissatisfaction—more than two-thirds of dissatisfied households in each of these cities were so dissatisfied with the public school system that they wanted to move.

Cities with the lowest intensity of school dissatisfaction included St. Paul, New Orleans, Atlanta, and Portland, OR where less than one-third of the households dissatisfied with schools were so dissatisfied they wanted to move. However, each of these cities ranked above the median city in overall school dissatisfaction.

In all cities, a majority of parents sent their children to public schools; however, in cities least satisfied with education, children were more likely to attend private schools.

In all cities, the majority of students attended public schools. However, cities that were generally more satisfied with their schools typically had a higher proportion of students in public schools.² More than 90 percent of households in Salt Lake City, Hartford, Mesa, Santa Ana, CA, Phoenix, and Oklahoma City had children enrolled in public schools. In each city, more than 85 percent of parents were satisfied with the public schools. However, fewer than 75 percent of households in Philadelphia, Boston, Seattle-Everett, San Francisco, Cleveland, and New Orleans had children enrolled in public schools and generally 80 percent or fewer of the households were satisfied with the schools in these cities.

Most parents who were satisfied with public education sent their children to public schools. Many parents who were dissatisfied with the schools had already removed their children from the public school system.

For many parents in cities, school choice was related to school satisfaction. Among households satisfied with public schools, upwards of 80 percent attended public schools.³ In three out of four cities, more than 90 percent of parents satisfied with their neighborhood schools gave their children a public education (see *Table 3a, page 22*). Among city households dissatisfied with the public school system, a number of parents had already removed their children from the public educational system. Only between 40 and 60 percent of parents dissatisfied with public education still had their children enrolled in public schools.⁴

A review of the metropolitan area data, which included both cities and suburbs, indicated the percentage of unsatisfied parents with children enrolled in public schools could be slightly higher. The metropolitan area data showed that among unsatisfied households, between 40 and 80 percent had children in public schools (see *Table 3b, page 24*).⁵ The Salt Lake City, San Diego, and Phoenix metropolitan areas still had a large proportion of dissatisfied parents sending their children to public schools; while in New Orleans, Milwaukee, Boston, Cleveland, Chicago, and Philadelphia, a majority had already left for a private education. Nevertheless, in most metropolitan areas, more than one-half of the households dissatisfied with public education still enrolled their children in public schools.

Most parents who sent their children to public schools were satisfied with the schools. Moreover, a substantial proportion of private-school parents also found the public schools acceptable.

Among households with children who attended public schools, upwards of 80 percent were satisfied with public education in each city (see *Table 4a, page 26*).⁶ In two-thirds of the cities, more than 90 percent of households with children in public schools were satisfied with the education their children were receiving. In Santa Ana, CA, Boston, Tampa, Riverside, CA, Rochester, Virginia Beach, and St. Louis, at least 95 percent were satisfied. In Oakland, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Philadelphia, Denver, and Minneapolis, only about 80 to 85 percent of households with children in public schools were satisfied.

For many parents, choosing a private school was less of a reflection on the public school system than a desire for alternatives.⁷ Among parents who sent their children to private schools, only about 25 to 65 percent found the public schools unsatisfactory.⁸ Metropolitan area data, which provided data on both cities and suburbs, suggested these estimates were broadly representative of the remaining cities. Among the metropolitan areas, roughly 25 to 50 percent of households that enrolled their children in private schools were dissatisfied with the public schools (see *Table 4b, page 27*).⁹ It appeared that in some cities, private school enrollment reflected public school failure. But in other cities it reflected more of "wanting something different" that the public schools could not deliver.¹⁰

Among households that recently moved, school quality ranked low among the reasons for choosing a neighborhood.

With the level of concern surrounding public education in many cities, the low priority given to the local neighborhood schools in relocation decisions was unexpected. In four out of five cities, fewer than 10 percent of households with

(see "Knocking at the College Door: Projections of High School Graduates by State and Race/Ethnicity, 1996-2002." 1998. Western Interstate Commission on Higher Education and the College Board). Other data demonstrate equally divergent educational marketplace characteristics between central cities, metropolitan areas outside of the central cities, and non-metropolitan areas (see Gladys M. Martinez and Andrea E. Curry. 1999. "School Enrollment (Social and Economic Characteristics of Students (Update)." *Current Population Reports*. (September)).

⁶Sample size restrictions only allowed analysis of about 13 percent of the cities in the sample.

⁹In most of the metropolitan areas, suburb estimates were equal or slightly lower than the metropolitan area estimates. Therefore, city estimates must be higher than the suburb and metropolitan area estimates in order to draw the metropolitan area averages up.

¹⁰Metropolitan area data indicated that in areas where the largest proportion of children attended private schools (23 to 30 percent), about 48 to 70 percent of households with children in private schools were satisfied with the public schools. However, the private school enrollment rates in metropolitan areas where a high proportion of private-school parents were dissatisfied with the public schools were generally not that different from the private school enrollment rates in more satisfied metropolitan areas. For example, in San Francisco, Milwaukee, and Cleveland, two-thirds of private-school parents were satisfied with the public schools and 21 to 24 percent of parents sent their children to private schools. But in Philadelphia and New Orleans, where only 50 to 60 percent of private-school parents were satisfied with the public schools, still only 26 to 30 percent of parents enrolled their children in private schools.

children that recently moved to their current residence indicated that school quality was their top concern. The highest consideration placed on schools in the decision to move was found in Mesa, Seattle-Everett, and Tampa.

In most cities, the appearance of the house or neighborhood, or other neighborhood concerns (such as public services, public transportation, or proximity to leisure activities) had the greatest influence on the residents' neighborhood choice. Furthermore, the proximity of the neighborhood to family and friends or the distance to work were usually more important than school quality.

In nearly every city, households with children were more concerned about crime than public schools.

Crime concerned as few as 20 percent of households in some cities and as much as 50 percent of households in other cities. This was in stark contrast to the discontent with schools, where generally fewer than 30 percent of households were dissatisfied. In nearly every city, residents' concerns about crime outweighed their concerns for poor-performing public schools. The cities where crime concerns most heavily outweighed education concerns—by at least 3.5 to 1—included Tampa, Santa Ana, CA, Riverside, CA, Salt Lake City, and Norfolk (see Table 5, page 28). Crime and education were of equal concern in Cincinnati, Oakland, Cleveland, Arlington, TX, and Sunnyvale, CA.

As expected, crime concerns were greatest in some of the largest cities in the United States, including Minneapolis, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Chicago, St. Louis, and Washington, DC where between 45 and 50 percent of households were bothered by crime. Several of the cities with few educational concerns also ranked near the bottom among cities with crime concerns. Only about 20 to 27 percent of households in San Antonio, Riverside, CA, Virginia Beach, and Santa Ana, CA were bothered by crime.

Across all cities, the intensity of education concerns equaled that of crime concerns; however, in select cities the intensity of education concerns outweighed the intensity of crime concerns.

Although crime concerns affected a larger percentage of city residents than did education concerns, the intensity of concern about crime and public school quality was similar. Looking at the cities as a group, the intensity of crime concerns—measured by the proportion of those bothered by crime that were so bothered they wanted to move—ranged from about 30 to 70 percent, the same as a similar measure calculated to gauge the intensity of public education concerns.

However, the intensity of concern surrounding crime and schools varied by city. In about one-half of the cities, the intensity of education concerns out-

weighed the intensity of crime concerns. But the differences were only statistically significant¹¹ in Tampa, Houston, Salt Lake City, and Oklahoma City (see Table 6, page 30). In Atlanta, New Orleans, San Francisco, Milwaukee, and Chicago, the intensity of crime concerns was greater than the intensity of education concerns and statistically significant.

Poor households did not report a higher level of school dissatisfaction than other city households. In some cities, the poor were more satisfied with public education than their wealthier neighbors.

The relationship between income and school dissatisfaction was unique to each city. In general, poor parents did not report a higher level of dissatisfaction with the public school system than did their wealthier neighbors. Among households that were satisfied with their schools, the proportion in each city living at or near poverty¹² was greater than the proportion of households dissatisfied with the schools but living in similar economic circumstances; however, the differences were statistically significant in only about one-half of the cities.¹³

Furthermore, when looking at only households living at or near the poverty level, there were few differences in their school dissatisfaction rates, compared to all city households with children. Not only did poor households fail to report a higher level of school dissatisfaction, but in nine cities, a higher proportion was more satisfied than their non-poor neighbors. These differences were greatest in St. Louis, Boston, Chicago, Denver, Miami, Dallas, and Milwaukee although the differences were only about 5 to 10 percentage points.

Differences in annual earnings confirmed that in some cities, the wealthiest were the most dissatisfied. In Milwaukee, Denver, Dallas, Memphis, Baltimore, and Chicago, the median annual income of households dissatisfied with the public schools was at least 50 percent higher than the median annual household income of those satisfied with public education.

In some cities, African American and Hispanic parents were more satisfied with the public educational system than were White parents.

Opinions on school quality were reflected in differences by race/ethnic groups.¹⁴ African American and Hispanic parents were likely to be more satisfied than White parents. In two-thirds of the cities, a larger proportion of Black parents was satisfied with the public schools than were White parents (see Table 7a, page 32). The differences were most noticeable in Cleveland, Birmingham, New Orleans, Memphis, Milwaukee, Cincinnati, Chicago, and Dallas where the proportion of Black parents satisfied with the public schools was at least one-third greater than the proportion of satisfied White parents.¹⁵ Hispanic parents also tended to

¹¹Throughout this report, differences between two groups are reported only if they are statistically significant unless otherwise noted. Statistically significant differences are reported at the .10 level.

¹²Includes households living below 150 percent of the poverty line, which in 1996 was about \$18,960 for a family of three or \$24,870 for a family of four.

¹³The poverty and income data in this analysis are based on 40 percent of the cities in the sample. In the remaining cities, there was not a large enough number of unsatisfied households in the sample to report their findings.

¹⁴The different race/ethnic composition of each city limited the number of race/ethnic comparisons that could be made. The White/Black comparisons included nearly half of the cities, the White/Hispanic comparisons included 30 percent of the cities, and the Black/Hispanic comparisons included 15 percent of the cities.

¹⁵Looking at the White/Black differences by metropolitan area, Black households reported higher levels of school satisfaction in New Orleans, Miami, Tampa-St. Petersburg, Dallas, Sacramento, Memphis, Milwaukee, Fort Worth-Arlington, Birmingham, and Norfolk-VA Beach-Newport News. However, unlike in the cities, there were several metropolitan areas where White households were significantly more satisfied than Black households: Los Angeles-Long Beach, Denver, Oakland, Detroit, and Philadelphia.

¹⁶Looking at the White/Hispanic differences by metropolitan area, Hispanic households reported higher levels of school satisfaction in Dallas, Anaheim-Santa Ana, Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, Los Angeles-Long Beach, San Antonio, San Francisco, Phoenix, Hartford, San Diego, and Fort Worth-Arlington.

¹⁷This finding also held true for metropolitan areas. However, in the Tampa-St. Petersburg metropolitan area, Black parents were more satisfied than Hispanic parents with the schools, while in Hartford, Denver, and Chicago, a larger proportion of Hispanic parents was satisfied.

be more satisfied with the public educational system than White parents in a number of cities (see Table 7b, page 33). In Chicago, Dallas, Los Angeles-Long Beach, the proportion of Hispanic parents satisfied with the schools was at least 25 percent greater than the proportion of satisfied White parents.¹⁶

African American and Hispanic parents were more likely to have similar views on school quality. Among cities examined, there were statistically significant differences in Black and Hispanic opinions on education in only two cities. In Sacramento, 94 percent of Black parents were satisfied, compared with 82 percent of Hispanic parents.¹⁷ Conversely, in Los Angeles-Long Beach, 87 percent of Hispanic parents were satisfied with the public schools, compared to 67 percent of Black parents.

City-Suburb Comparisons

The difference in school satisfaction between the cities and suburbs was pronounced in most metropolitan areas.

Suburban parents were more satisfied with public education than were city residents. In most suburban areas, only between 4 and 15 percent of households were dissatisfied with the public elementary schools. Suburban New Orleans parents were the most dissatisfied with their schools, where nearly one-quarter found the schools unsatisfactory. Also reporting a relatively high level of dissatisfaction were the Oakland, San Francisco, Sacramento, and Tampa-St. Petersburg suburbs where about 15 percent of parents found the schools unacceptable. Suburban households in the Buffalo, Rochester, Houston, and Minneapolis-St. Paul metropolitan areas had the fewest school concerns, where fewer than 6 percent of households in suburban areas were dissatisfied with their schools.

In 60 percent of the cities, the proportion of dissatisfied city residents was larger than the proportion of dissatisfied suburban residents and the differences were statistically significant (see Table 8, page 34). The greatest differences in urban and suburban school satisfaction occurred in the Buffalo, Rochester, and Minneapolis-St. Paul metropolitan areas where the proportion of city residents dissatisfied with their schools was four times as great as the proportion of dissatisfied suburban residents. The proportion of dissatisfied city residents in Cleveland, Chicago, and Cincinnati was three times as large as that of the suburban residents with school concerns.

The school dissatisfaction among suburban parents was significantly greater than that of city parents in two of the cities. In Riverside, CA, only 7 percent of city households were dissatisfied with the public schools, compared with 12

percent of suburban Riverside, CA households. In Tampa, 8 percent of city households were dissatisfied with the schools, compared with 14 percent of suburban households.

In most metropolitan areas, a greater proportion of city residents wanted to move because of poor school quality than did their suburban neighbors.

City households were more likely to want to move because of poor schools than were suburban households. In nearly 60 percent of the cities, the proportion of dissatisfied city residents that wanted to move because of school quality was larger than the proportion of similar suburban residents and statistically significant. While in some metropolitan areas, a slightly greater proportion of suburban residents wanted to move because of unsatisfactory schools, the differences were not statistically significant.

The greatest differences between cities and suburbs in the willingness to move because of poor educational quality were reported in the Buffalo, Minneapolis-St. Paul, Cleveland, Philadelphia, New York, and Cincinnati metropolitan areas (see *Table 9, page 36*). The proportion of households in these cities that wanted to move because of poor school quality was at least five times as great as that of their respective suburban neighbors. Parents in these cities generally had a higher than average desire to move, while their suburban neighbors had a very low desire to move relative to other suburban residents.

The intensity of school dissatisfaction was greater in the cities than in the suburbs. Among households dissatisfied with education, a greater proportion of city parents was so dissatisfied they wanted to move.

In nearly 45 percent of the cities, the intensity of school dissatisfaction—measured as the proportion of unsatisfied households that were so dissatisfied with the public schools in their neighborhood they wanted to move—was greater in the cities than in the suburbs. The intensity of school dissatisfaction in New York, Tampa, Phoenix, Minneapolis, Philadelphia, Buffalo, and Milwaukee was at least twice as great as the intensity of school dissatisfaction in their respective suburban areas (see *Table 10, page 38*). While in some suburban areas the intensity of school dissatisfaction was greater than in the cities, the differences were not statistically significant.

Suburban children were more likely to attend public schools than were city children in nearly one-half of the cities.

In most suburban areas, a large proportion of households had children enrolled in public schools, between 80 and 95 percent.¹⁸ However, more than one-in-five

¹⁸The data in this section include households with children age 5 to 16.

suburban households in New Orleans, Milwaukee, New York, San Francisco, Philadelphia, and Cleveland had children enrolled in private schools.

Among households with school-age children, suburban children were more likely to attend public schools than were the children in about 45 percent of the cities. The largest differences were in Seattle-Everett, Boston, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Rochester, and Tampa metropolitan areas, where the proportion of city parents enrolling their children in private schools was at least 10 percentage points higher than in the suburbs. Only in the Miami, Anaheim-Santa Ana, New Orleans, and Hartford metropolitan areas were significantly higher proportions of suburban parents enrolling their children in private schools than were city parents, although the difference was only about 5 to 7 percentage points.

In most metropolitan areas, the proportion of parents satisfied with public education who sent their children to public or private school was similar among a city and its suburb.

Among households satisfied with the public elementary schools, there were slight differences in suburban and city public and private school enrollments.¹⁹ In a handful of metropolitan areas, Milwaukee, San Francisco, St. Louis, Hartford, Miami, and Cincinnati, a higher proportion of suburban households satisfied with the educational system enrolled their children in private schools than did city households. However, in St. Petersburg, Seattle-Everett, San Antonio, Denver, Portland, OR, Boston, and Oakland, a higher proportion of satisfied city households sent their children to private schools than did their suburban neighbors.²⁰

Among households enrolling children in public schools, parents living in suburban areas were more likely to find their schools satisfactory than were city parents in one-third of the cities. In two-thirds of the cities, there were no differences.

Suburban households with children attending public schools were more satisfied with the public education system than city households with children in public schools in nearly one-third of the cities.²¹ The largest differences occurred in Cleveland, Cincinnati, Oakland, Philadelphia, and Minneapolis among households with children attending public schools. In these metropolitan areas, the proportion of suburban parents that were satisfied with their children's education was more than 10 percentage points higher than that of public-school parents in cities (see Table 11, page 40). In only one area, Tampa, were city parents more satisfied than suburban parents who enrolled their children in public schools; however, the difference was only 4 percentage points.

¹⁹The data in this section only include households with children age 5 to 13.

²⁰The number of areas with adequate sample sizes for unsatisfied households in both the city and suburban areas was too small to provide a reliable analysis of the comparisons of unsatisfied households and school choice.

²¹The data in this section only include households with children age 5 to 13.

Among private-school parents, city parents were more likely to send their children to private schools because of school quality issues than were suburban parents.

Among suburban households with children enrolled in private schools, satisfaction with the public schools ranged from 50 to 85 percent.²² More than 80 percent of suburban parents with children in private schools in Indianapolis, Miami, Milwaukee, and St. Louis were satisfied with the public schools but chose private schools for other reasons. In contrast, fewer than 60 percent of suburban private-school parents in New Orleans, Tampa-St. Petersburg, and Sacramento reported their public schools were satisfactory.

²²The data in this section only include households with children age 5 to 13.

In a select number of cities for which comparisons could be made, the proportion of private-school parents who found the public schools acceptable was significantly greater in the suburbs than in the cities. Comparing metropolitan and suburban data continued to suggest that city parents were more likely than suburban parents to send their children to private schools because of concerns with school quality than were suburban parents.²³

²³Metropolitan area estimates of school satisfaction among households with children in private schools were equal to or lower than suburban estimates. This suggested that the parents of private-school students in the cities were less satisfied with public education than suburban private-school parents, thereby drawing the metropolitan average down.

Crime concerns consistently outweighed educational concerns in both cities and suburbs.

Crime was of paramount concern among households with children regardless of whether they were located in a city or suburb. However, in nearly all metropolitan areas, crime concerns in the cities outweighed suburban crime concerns. In Rochester, Milwaukee, Buffalo, and Philadelphia, the differences in city and suburban crime concerns were particularly notable because the proportion of city parents that wanted to move because of crime was at least seven times greater than the proportion of suburban parents. In about 80 percent of the cities, the proportion of city households that wanted to move because of crime was twice as large as the proportion of suburban households.

As in cities, crime concerns outweighed educational concerns in nearly all suburban areas. In 37 percent of the suburban areas, the proportion of parents concerned with crime was at least twice as large as the percent dissatisfied with the public schools. Crime concerns particularly outweighed school concerns in the Houston, Minneapolis-St. Paul, Rochester, and Salt Lake City suburban areas.

Poor households living in cities and suburbs were equally dissatisfied with their schools in a majority of metropolitan areas.

Among households dissatisfied with public schools, larger proportions of city households were living below poverty than were suburban households.

²⁴Sample size restrictions only allowed examination of 25 percent of the city-suburban areas.

However, these differences were statistically significant in less than one-half of the cities.²⁴ In many cities, this finding was likely influenced by the larger proportion of poor households residing in cities overall.

Nevertheless, comparing only poor households in the cities and suburbs revealed that poor city residents were more dissatisfied with their schools in only one-fifth of the cities. In 80 percent of the cities, there were no significant differences. In nearly all suburbs, fewer than 15 percent of households living at or near poverty were dissatisfied with the public schools, compared with about 5 to 25 percent among poor households in cities. In Baltimore, Buffalo, Minneapolis, Cleveland, Los Angeles-Long Beach, Oakland, and Cincinnati, the proportion of poor city households dissatisfied with the public schools was at least twice as large as the proportion of dissatisfied suburban households (see *Table 12, page 42*). In only two cities, Norfolk and Miami, were the proportions of poor households dissatisfied with the schools greater in the suburbs than in the city.

In a majority of metropolitan areas, White parents living in cities were more dissatisfied with the public schools than were White suburban parents. Among African American and Hispanic parents, there were fewer differences in opinions on the quality of public education among city and suburban households.

In more than 60 percent of the cities, the proportion of White households dissatisfied with their public neighborhood schools was greater than among suburban White parents, and statistically significant. The greatest differences were in Chicago, Rochester, Buffalo, Cleveland, St. Paul, and Cincinnati where the proportion of dissatisfied White urban households was more than five times greater than the proportion of dissatisfied suburban households (see *Table 13a, page 44*). There were no suburban areas where the proportion of White parents was more dissatisfied than in the cities.

African American parents' views on education in the cities and suburbs were much more equal than among White parents'. In only two cities, Cleveland and Memphis, was the proportion of dissatisfied urban Black parents significantly greater than suburban Black parents (see *Table 13b, page 44*). Among Hispanic parents, there were a few more statistically significant city and suburban differences. Hispanic city households in Dallas, Phoenix, Denver, and Los Angeles-Long Beach were more dissatisfied with the public schools than were suburban Hispanic parents (see *Table 13c, page 45*). As with White parents, there was no area where Black or Hispanic suburban parents were more dissatisfied with public education than were similar city parents.

Conclusion

This report found both good and bad news with regard to the perceived quality of public education among cities and suburbs across America. Among the encouraging findings, a substantial proportion of city and suburban parents was satisfied with their public elementary schools and only a fraction in any metropolitan area was willing to move because of school quality. Among households with children enrolled in public schools, an even greater proportion was satisfied with public education.

A substantial proportion of the households with children enrolled in private schools reported the public schools were satisfactory, an indication that some parents chose private schools not because of public school quality, but for other reasons. Also, the varying opinions on school quality among White, African American, and Hispanic households also suggested that minority households were more satisfied than White households with the public schools. In most cities and suburbs, poor parents were not disproportionately dissatisfied with the public schools.

The differences in city and suburban views on school quality were among the more discouraging findings. In a majority of cities, city parents were more dissatisfied with the public schools than the parents in their neighboring suburbs. While the majority of city parents were satisfied with the public schools, in select cities too many parents were dissatisfied. Furthermore, among households dissatisfied with the schools, a substantial proportion of both city and suburban households was dissatisfied enough to move but the intensity of dissatisfaction was greater in the cities.

In some cities, dissatisfied parents had already removed their children from the public school system. But in others, large numbers of dissatisfied parents continued to enroll their children in the public schools. Even with the level of school dissatisfaction that existed, most parents placed school quality near the bottom of their concerns when moving to a new neighborhood. While education was a concern to many parents, in every city and suburban area, crime was a more pressing concern.

TABLE 1

A Substantial Proportion of City Residents Are Dissatisfied with Their Public Elementary Schools

City	Percent of Households...	
	...Dissatisfied with Their Public Elementary Schools	...So Dissatisfied They Want to Move
1 Cleveland	34.2%	23.4%
2 Oakland	31.6%	20.9%
3 Cincinnati	26.2%	13.7%
4 Philadelphia	25.7%	15.6%
5 Chicago	23.6%	9.9%
6 Minneapolis	22.7%	11.5%
7 Pittsburgh	22.3%	10.3%
8 San Francisco	22.3%	8.0%
9 St. Louis	21.7%	12.9%
10 Arlington, TX	21.7%	15.0%
11 St. Paul	21.0%	7.1%
12 Denver	20.6%	12.1%
13 New Orleans	20.3%	6.7%
14 Los Angeles-Long Beach†	19.9%	10.5%
15 Boston	19.5%	8.7%
16 Buffalo	18.9%	12.7%
17 Seattle-Everett†	18.8%	6.7%
18 Kansas City, KS	18.6%	12.9%
19 Rochester	17.7%	8.0%
20 Washington, DC	17.7%	7.2%
21 Milwaukee	17.4%	7.5%
22 Detroit	17.3%	7.4%
23 Providence-Warwick, RI†	17.2%	10.6%
24 Kansas City, MO	16.9%	9.2%
25 Memphis	16.7%	10.3%
26 Columbus, OH	16.6%	9.3%
27 Portland, OR	16.4%	4.7%
28 Dallas	16.4%	8.9%
29 Atlanta	16.0%	4.8%
30 Baltimore	15.7%	7.9%
31 Oklahoma City	15.4%	9.6%
32 St. Petersburg	15.3%	7.3%
33 Birmingham	15.2%	7.0%
34 New York	14.6%	8.6%
35 Indianapolis	14.5%	7.2%
36 Phoenix	14.4%	9.4%

TABLE 1 (continued)

City	Percent of Households...	
	...Dissatisfied with Their Public Elementary Schools	...So Dissatisfied They Want to Move
37 Sacramento	13.9%	8.2%
38 Hartford	13.7%	7.7%
39 San Jose	13.5%	7.0%
40 Houston	13.1%	8.8%
41 Anaheim	12.8%	7.3%
42 San Bernardino-Ontario, CA†	11.4%	5.4%
43 Mesa	11.4%	4.0%
44 Miami	11.3%	4.3%
45 Sunnyvale, CA	10.9%	4.7%
46 San Diego	10.7%	4.5%
47 Salt Lake City	10.6%	7.5%
48 Fort Worth	10.4%	4.8%
49 Norfolk	9.6%	4.3%
50 San Antonio	9.4%	5.1%
51 Virginia Beach	8.3%	3.8%
52 Tampa	8.1%	5.4%
53 Riverside, CA	6.5%	4.9%
54 Santa Ana, CA	4.5%	3.2%
55 Newark	—	—
US—Central Cities	12.8%	6.7%

† The data do not allow separate analysis of these cities.

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TABLE 2
The Intensity of School Dissatisfaction Varies Greatly by City

**Among Households Dissatisfied with Public Elementary Schools,
 Proportion that Want to Move**

1 Riverside, CA	74.3%	30 Baltimore	50.4%
2 Santa Ana, CA	72.0%	31 Indianapolis	49.5%
3 Salt Lake City	70.7%	32 St. Petersburg	47.4%
4 Kansas City, KS	69.2%	33 San Bernardino-Ontario, CA†	47.2%
5 Arlington, TX	69.0%	34 Virginia Beach	46.3%
6 Cleveland	68.3%	35 Pittsburgh	46.3%
7 Houston	67.4%	36 Birmingham	46.0%
8 Buffalo	67.3%	37 Fort Worth	45.6%
9 Tampa	66.7%	38 Rochester	45.0%
10 Oakland	66.0%	39 Boston	44.9%
11 Phoenix	65.4%	40 Norfolk	44.7%
12 Oklahoma City	62.2%	41 Milwaukee	43.3%
13 Providence-Warwick, RI†	61.6%	42 Sunnyvale, CA	43.3%
14 Memphis	61.4%	43 Detroit	42.6%
15 Philadelphia	60.5%	44 San Diego	42.3%
16 St. Louis	59.5%	45 Chicago	41.9%
17 Sacramento	59.3%	46 Washington, DC	40.8%
18 Denver	59.0%	47 Miami	37.9%
19 New York	58.5%	48 San Francisco	36.1%
20 Anaheim	56.8%	49 Seattle-Everett†	35.3%
21 Hartford	56.5%	50 Mesa	35.2%
22 Columbus, OH	56.2%	51 St. Paul	33.8%
23 San Antonio	54.7%	52 New Orleans	33.0%
24 Kansas City, MO	54.4%	53 Atlanta	30.1%
25 Dallas	54.3%	54 Portland, OR	28.5%
26 Los Angeles-Long Beach†	52.9%	55 Newark	—
27 Cincinnati	52.3%		
28 San Jose	51.6%	US—Central Cities	52.2%
29 Minneapolis	50.7%		

† The data do not allow separate analysis of these cities.

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TABLE 3A

**Even Among Households Satisfied with Public Elementary Schools,
Some Parents Still Choose to Send Their Children to Private Schools**

**Among Households Satisfied with the Public
Elementary Schools, Percent Enrolled in...**

City	Public Schools	Private Schools	Other Schools
1 Hartford	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
2 Salt Lake City	99.0%	3.6%	0.6%
3 Phoenix	97.0%	3.7%	0.0%
4 Houston	96.1%	5.5%	0.8%
5 Norfolk	95.9%	6.2%	0.6%
6 Dallas	95.8%	7.9%	0.0%
7 Oklahoma City	95.6%	4.6%	2.0%
8 Memphis	95.5%	5.3%	1.6%
9 Santa Ana, CA	95.4%	7.5%	0.9%
10 Birmingham	95.3%	4.4%	1.8%
11 Mesa	94.9%	5.9%	1.5%
12 Virginia Beach	94.7%	10.0%	0.0%
13 San Jose	94.3%	6.5%	1.3%
14 St. Louis	94.3%	5.8%	3.4%
15 Riverside, CA	93.9%	6.1%	2.6%
16 San Diego	93.9%	7.3%	0.5%
17 Denver	93.9%	9.9%	0.7%
18 Chicago	93.7%	9.0%	1.8%
19 Baltimore	93.7%	6.9%	1.7%
20 Sacramento	93.6%	7.9%	0.7%
21 New York	93.5%	10.1%	1.0%
22 Los Angeles-Long Beach†	93.5%	7.5%	0.8%
23 San Bernardino-Ontario, CA†	93.4%	7.5%	0.0%
24 St. Paul	93.2%	6.8%	0.0%
25 Tampa	92.9%	8.9%	5.0%
26 Portland, OR	92.8%	11.2%	4.0%
27 Fort Worth	92.8%	7.7%	1.6%
28 Cincinnati	92.7%	7.9%	1.8%
29 Miami	92.2%	6.1%	1.7%
30 Milwaukee	92.2%	9.6%	1.1%
31 Sunnyvale, CA	92.0%	10.0%	7.0%
32 San Antonio	91.9%	10.1%	0.7%
33 Kansas City, MO	91.8%	8.2%	0.0%
34 Detroit	91.7%	10.7%	0.0%
35 Rochester	91.6%	12.9%	1.2%
36 Anaheim	91.4%	9.3%	2.0%

TABLE 3A (continued)

**Among Households Satisfied with the Public
Elementary Schools, Percent Enrolled in...**

City	Public Schools	Private Schools	Other Schools
37 Washington, DC	91.2%	11.8%	0.0%
38 San Francisco	91.0%	11.5%	0.0%
39 Indianapolis	90.9%	8.6%	3.0%
40 Columbus, OH	90.6%	7.3%	3.3%
41 Philadelphia	89.5%	16.8%	3.0%
42 Buffalo	89.4%	12.8%	2.4%
43 Providence-Warwick, RI†	89.2%	11.9%	1.2%
44 Oakland	89.1%	12.4%	0.8%
45 Cleveland	89.0%	15.3%	0.0%
46 Boston	88.0%	13.6%	1.6%
47 Minneapolis	87.9%	9.9%	2.1%
48 Arlington, TX	87.9%	14.2%	2.0%
49 Pittsburgh	87.9%	17.0%	0.0%
50 New Orleans	87.4%	16.3%	0.0%
51 Atlanta	87.2%	7.4%	7.0%
52 Seattle-Everett†	84.0%	17.0%	0.8%
53 St. Petersburg	79.9%	23.3%	0.0%
54 Newark	—	—	—
55 Kansas City, KS	—	—	—
US—Central Cities	93.4%	8.9%	1.1%

Note: Only includes households with children age 5 to 13.

Totals may not sum to 100% because in some households the children attend more than one type of school.

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TABLE 3B

In Many Metropolitan Areas, More than One-Half of Households Dissatisfied with Public Elementary Schools Still Have Children Enrolled in the Public Schools

Metropolitan Area	Among Households Dissatisfied with the Public Elementary Schools, Percent Enrolled in...		
	Public Schools	Private Schools	Other Schools
1 Salt Lake City, UT	86.6%	13.6%	0.9%
2 San Diego, CA	78.0%	24.8%	0.0%
3 Phoenix, AZ	77.3%	25.0%	2.3%
4 Denver, CO	77.0%	24.1%	1.2%
5 Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA	75.1%	22.7%	3.8%
6 Houston, TX	74.6%	32.3%	0.0%
7 Providence-Warwick-Pawtucket, RI-MA	74.1%	27.7%	4.0%
8 Oklahoma City, OK	72.6%	26.3%	4.8%
9 Washington, DC-MD-VA	72.1%	32.5%	4.5%
10 Birmingham, AL	71.3%	29.6%	2.4%
11 Hartford, CT	69.0%	35.6%	3.2%
12 Norfolk-VA Beach-Newport News, VA	69.0%	29.6%	4.8%
13 Columbus, OH MSA	67.5%	32.6%	3.2%
14 San Jose, CA	64.9%	35.4%	3.3%
15 Pittsburgh, PA	64.5%	42.5%	1.5%
16 Seattle-Everett, WA	64.3%	37.6%	3.2%
17 Indianapolis, IN	64.1%	34.5%	8.1%
18 San Antonio, TX	63.6%	39.1%	0.0%
19 Atlanta, GA	63.0%	35.6%	5.3%
20 Portland, OR-WA	62.0%	35.4%	7.2%
21 Baltimore, MD	61.8%	43.7%	1.3%
22 Los Angeles-Long Beach, CA	61.5%	40.6%	0.0%
23 Tampa-St. Petersburg, FL	60.6%	40.9%	0.8%
24 Sacramento, CA	60.3%	42.2%	3.5%
25 Kansas City, MO-KS	58.2%	37.6%	5.6%
26 St. Louis, MO-IL	56.6%	46.4%	5.7%
27 Oakland, CA	56.5%	44.7%	2.7%
28 Cincinnati, OH-KY-IN	54.2%	51.9%	1.1%
29 Dallas, TX	53.4%	47.3%	3.7%
30 Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN	52.9%	48.1%	5.2%
31 Memphis, TN-AR-MS	52.6%	46.4%	3.9%
32 Anaheim-Santa Ana, CA	51.1%	51.5%	0.0%
33 Fort Worth-Arlington, TX	50.7%	49.9%	4.3%
34 Rochester, NY	47.8%	49.1%	6.6%
35 Philadelphia, PA-NJ	44.3%	58.1%	3.7%
36 Chicago, IL	43.0%	56.9%	2.0%

TABLE 3B (continued)

Metropolitan Area	Among Households Dissatisfied with the Public Elementary Schools, Percent Enrolled in...		
	Public Schools	Private Schools	Other Schools
37 Cleveland, OH	42.1%	56.0%	7.4%
38 Boston-Lawrence-Lowell, MA-NH	41.0%	60.7%	1.3%
39 Milwaukee, WI	40.3%	58.8%	4.6%
40 New Orleans, LA	38.7%	63.7%	0.5%
41 Miami, FL	—	—	—
42 Detroit, MI	—	—	—
43 New York, NY	—	—	—
44 Newark, NJ	—	—	—
45 San Francisco, CA	—	—	—
46 Buffalo, NY	—	—	—
US—Metropolitan Areas	53.6%	46.4%	3.2%

Note: Only includes households with children age 5 to 13.

Totals may not sum to 100% because in some households the children attend more than one type of school.

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TABLE 4A

In Most Cities, Households that Enroll Their Children in Public Elementary Schools Are Satisfied with the Schools

Among Households that Enroll Their Children in Public Elementary Schools, Percent that Are Satisfied

1	Santa Ana, CA	97.2%	30	Baltimore	90.2%
2	Boston	96.6%	31	Anaheim	90.1%
3	Tampa	96.1%	32	Columbus, OH	90.0%
4	Riverside, CA	95.9%	33	New York	89.9%
5	Rochester	95.6%	34	Sacramento	89.6%
6	VA Beach	95.1%	35	Washington, DC	89.6%
7	St. Louis	95.1%	36	Sunnyvale, CA	89.5%
8	San Antonio	94.2%	37	Phoenix	89.4%
9	Milwaukee	94.2%	38	Atlanta	89.1%
10	Kansas City, MO	93.0%	39	Seattle-Everett†	88.7%
11	Miami	92.6%	40	Providence-Warwick, RI†	88.4%
12	Fort Worth	92.6%	41	New Orleans	88.4%
13	San Francisco	92.5%	42	Chicago	88.2%
14	San Bernardino-Ontario, CA†	92.5%	43	Hartford	87.7%
15	Portland, OR	92.2%	44	Los Angeles-Long Beach†	87.0%
16	Norfolk	92.2%	45	Detroit	86.8%
17	San Diego	92.2%	46	Pittsburgh	86.6%
18	San Jose	91.8%	47	Minneapolis	84.7%
19	St. Paul	91.7%	48	Denver	84.7%
20	Indianapolis	91.5%	49	Philadelphia	84.3%
21	Salt Lake City	91.4%	50	Cincinnati	81.9%
22	Mesa	91.3%	51	Cleveland	80.6%
23	Oklahoma City	91.2%	52	Oakland	79.1%
24	Arlington, TX	91.2%	53	Newark	—
25	Houston	91.0%	54	St. Petersburg	—
26	Dallas	90.9%	55	Kansas City, KS	—
27	Memphis	90.8%		US—Central Cities	93.0%
28	Buffalo	90.7%			
29	Birmingham	90.6%			

Note: Only includes households with children age 5 to 13.

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TABLE 4B

In Most Metropolitan Areas, Fewer than One-Half of Households that Enroll Their Children in Private Schools Are Dissatisfied with the Public Elementary Schools

Among Households that Enroll Their Children in Private Schools, Percent that Are Dissatisfied with Public Elementary Schools

1	Oakland, CA	54.9%	26	Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA	32.3%
2	New Orleans, LA	52.1%	27	Columbus, OH	31.1%
3	Memphis, TN-AR-MS	47.9%	28	Detroit, MI	31.1%
4	Dallas, TX	47.6%	29	Baltimore, MD	30.9%
5	Chicago, IL	46.0%	30	Houston, TX	30.8%
6	Los Angeles-Long Beach, CA	44.1%	31	San Francisco, CA	30.7%
7	Oklahoma City, OK	43.4%	32	Hartford, CT	30.6%
8	Sacramento, CA	43.4%	33	San Antonio, TX	30.6%
9	Fort Worth-Arlington, TX	43.2%	34	Rochester, NY	29.8%
10	Boston-Lawrence-Lowell, MA-NH	41.6%	35	Pittsburgh, PA	28.6%
11	Philadelphia, PA-NJ	41.5%	36	Indianapolis, IN	27.3%
12	Seattle-Everett, WA	41.1%	37	Providence-Warwick-Pawtucket, RI-MA	27.1%
13	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN	39.9%	38	St. Louis, MO-IL	26.8%
14	Phoenix, AZ	39.5%	39	Anaheim-Santa Ana, CA	26.8%
15	Tampa-St. Petersburg, FL	39.3%	40	Norfolk-VA Beach- Newport News, VA	26.1%
16	San Jose, CA	39.2%	41	Washington, DC-MD-VA	24.2%
17	Portland, OR-WA	38.0%	42	Buffalo, NY	23.7%
18	Atlanta, GA	36.7%	43	Miami, FL	17.6%
19	Cleveland, OH	35.9%	44	New York, NY	—
20	Birmingham, AL	35.8%	45	Newark, NJ	—
21	San Diego, CA	34.5%	46	Salt Lake City, UT	—
22	Kansas City, MO-KS	33.7%			
23	Denver, CO	33.1%			
24	Cincinnati, OH-KY-IN	33.0%			
25	Milwaukee, WI	32.3%			
				US—Metropolitan Areas	34.7%

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TABLE 5

Crime Concerns Outweigh Education Concerns in Nearly Every City

City	Percent of Households Bothered by Crime	Percent of Households Dissatisfied with Public Elementary Schools	Ratio of Crime to School Dissatisfaction
1 Tampa	43.0%	8.1%	5.29*
2 Santa Ana, CA	20.3%	4.5%	4.52*
3 Riverside, CA	26.0%	6.5%	3.97*
4 Salt Lake City	39.6%	10.6%	3.75*
5 Norfolk	34.1%	9.6%	3.55*
6 San Bernardino-Ontario, CA†	37.4%	11.4%	3.27*
7 Baltimore	49.0%	15.7%	3.11*
8 Houston	40.6%	13.1%	3.09*
9 Fort Worth	32.2%	10.4%	3.09*
10 San Antonio	27.1%	9.4%	2.89*
11 San Diego	29.6%	10.7%	2.77*
12 Atlanta	43.5%	16.0%	2.71*
13 Miami	30.2%	11.3%	2.66*
14 Sacramento	36.9%	13.9%	2.65*
15 Washington, DC	45.5%	17.7%	2.57*
16 Phoenix	36.5%	14.4%	2.54*
17 VA Beach	21.0%	8.3%	2.53*
18 New York	36.8%	14.6%	2.52*
19 Anaheim	32.0%	12.8%	2.50*
20 Detroit	42.8%	17.3%	2.47*
21 Hartford	33.6%	13.7%	2.46*
22 Rochester	41.1%	17.7%	2.32*
23 Milwaukee	40.2%	17.4%	2.31*
24 Portland, OR	37.3%	16.4%	2.27*
25 Minneapolis	50.0%	22.7%	2.20*
26 Memphis	36.4%	16.7%	2.18*
27 Dallas	35.4%	16.4%	2.16*
28 St. Louis	46.0%	21.7%	2.12*
29 Buffalo	39.4%	18.9%	2.09*
30 Mesa	23.2%	11.4%	2.03*
31 Kansas City, MO	34.0%	16.9%	2.01*
32 St. Petersburg	30.8%	15.3%	2.01*
33 Indianapolis	29.1%	14.5%	2.01*
34 Columbus, OH	33.1%	16.6%	2.00*
35 Chicago	46.1%	23.6%	1.95*
36 Philadelphia	47.4%	25.7%	1.84*
37 Kansas City, KS	33.9%	18.6%	1.83*

TABLE 5 (continued)

City	Percent of Households Bothered by Crime	Percent of Households Dissatisfied with Public Elementary Schools	Ratio of Crime to School Dissatisfaction
38 Seattle-Everett†	32.8%	18.8%	1.74*
39 Birmingham	26.0%	15.2%	1.71*
40 Denver	34.7%	20.6%	1.69*
41 San Jose	22.7%	13.5%	1.69*
42 Los Angeles-Long Beach†	33.4%	19.9%	1.68*
43 Oklahoma City	26.0%	15.4%	1.68*
44 Pittsburgh	37.3%	22.3%	1.67*
45 St. Paul	34.8%	21.0%	1.66*
46 Boston	32.2%	19.5%	1.66*
47 New Orleans	33.3%	20.3%	1.64*
48 Providence-Warwick, RI†	27.8%	17.2%	1.62*
49 San Francisco	34.8%	22.3%	1.56*
50 Sunnyvale, CA	15.7%	10.9%	1.44
51 Arlington, TX	28.0%	21.7%	1.29
52 Oakland	38.8%	31.6%	1.23
53 Cleveland	41.2%	34.2%	1.20
54 Cincinnati	25.9%	26.2%	0.99
55 Newark	—	—	—
US—Central Cities	29.7%	12.8%	2.31*

† The data do not allow separate analysis of these cities.

* Differences are statistically significant.

— Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate.

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TABLE 6

The Intensity of Education and Crime Dissatisfaction Varies by City

City	Among Households Dissatisfied with Public Elementary Schools, Proportion that Want to Move	Among Households Bothered by Crime, Proportion that Want to Move	Ratio of School to Crime Dissatisfaction
1 Tampa	66.7%	40.5%	1.64*
2 Houston	67.4%	45.0%	1.49*
3 Arlington, TX	69.0%	46.6%	1.47
4 Salt Lake City	70.7%	47.8%	1.47*
5 Oklahoma City	62.2%	43.1%	1.44*
6 Sunnyvale, CA	43.3%	30.7%	1.41
7 Seattle-Everett†	35.3%	25.2%	1.40
8 Riverside, CA	74.3%	56.7%	1.31
9 Denver	59.0%	46.0%	1.28
10 Kansas City, KS	69.2%	55.1%	1.25
11 Sacramento	59.3%	52.0%	1.14
12 Oakland	66.0%	59.0%	1.11
13 Phoenix	65.4%	58.9%	1.11
14 Memphis	61.4%	55.4%	1.10
15 Minneapolis	50.7%	45.9%	1.10
16 Buffalo	67.3%	61.1%	1.10
17 San Antonio	54.7%	49.6%	1.10
18 New York	58.5%	54.4%	1.07
19 Columbus, OH	56.2%	52.4%	1.07
20 San Jose	51.6%	48.6%	1.06
21 Santa Ana, CA	72.0%	70.4%	1.02
22 Providence-Warwick, RI†	61.6%	61.4%	1.00
23 Kansas City, MO	54.4%	54.9%	0.98
24 Fort Worth	45.6%	46.2%	0.98
25 Indianapolis	49.5%	50.4%	0.98
26 Cleveland	68.3%	70.0%	0.97
27 Virginia Beach	46.3%	47.5%	0.97
28 Dallas	54.3%	56.2%	0.96
29 Philadelphia	60.5%	64.0%	0.94
30 Anaheim	56.8%	60.1%	0.94
31 Los Angeles-Long Beach†	52.9%	56.3%	0.94
32 San Diego	42.3%	45.1%	0.93
33 St. Louis	59.5%	68.3%	0.87
34 Baltimore	50.4%	62.1%	0.81
35 Boston	44.9%	56.2%	0.79
36 Cincinnati	52.3%	65.4%	0.79

TABLE 6 (continued)

City	Among Households Dissatisfied with Public Elementary Schools, Proportion that Want to Move	Among Households Bothered by Crime, Proportion that Want to Move	Ratio of School to Crime Dissatisfaction
37 Portland, OR	28.5%	35.7%	0.79
38 St. Paul	33.8%	42.5%	0.79
39 Mesa	35.2%	44.8%	0.78
40 Birmingham	46.0%	59.0%	0.77
41 Rochester	45.0%	58.4%	0.77
42 Chicago	41.9%	55.8%	0.75*
43 Washington, DC	40.8%	54.8%	0.74
44 St. Petersburg	47.4%	64.1%	0.73
45 San Bernardino-Ontario, CA†	47.2%	64.0%	0.73
46 Hartford	56.5%	77.5%	0.72
47 Norfolk	44.7%	61.8%	0.72
48 Pittsburgh	46.3%	64.5%	0.71
49 Miami	37.9%	54.3%	0.69
50 Detroit	42.6%	61.2%	0.69
51 Milwaukee	43.3%	64.1%	0.67*
52 San Francisco	36.1%	56.9%	0.63*
53 New Orleans	33.0%	55.1%	0.59*
54 Atlanta	30.1%	53.0%	0.56*
55 Newark	—	—	—
US—Central Cities	52.2%	52.7%	0.99

† The data do not allow separate analysis of these cities.

* Differences are statistically significant.

— Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate.

ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1990-1996.

TABLE 7A

In Many Cities, More Black Parents Are Satisfied with Public Elementary Schools than White Parents

City	Percent of White Parents Satisfied with Public Elementary Schools	Percent of Black Parents Satisfied with Public Elementary Schools	Ratio of Black/White School Satisfaction
1 Cleveland	45.3%	78.5%	1.74*
2 Birmingham	61.5%	90.3%	1.47*
3 New Orleans	60.6%	84.0%	1.39*
4 Memphis	64.9%	89.9%	1.38*
5 Milwaukee	68.5%	93.4%	1.36*
6 Cincinnati	62.3%	84.7%	1.36*
7 Chicago	60.3%	80.7%	1.34*
8 Dallas	69.2%	91.7%	1.33*
9 Buffalo	71.9%	91.2%	1.27*
10 Rochester	72.4%	89.1%	1.23*
11 Sacramento	76.7%	94.0%	1.23*
12 Baltimore	76.7%	89.4%	1.17*
13 Fort Worth	83.7%	96.1%	1.15*
14 Indianapolis	82.5%	94.4%	1.15*
15 Norfolk	83.7%	94.9%	1.13*
16 Houston	79.7%	89.9%	1.13*
17 Kansas City, MO	80.4%	90.3%	1.12*
18 Philadelphia	68.1%	75.7%	1.11
19 Pittsburgh	74.7%	82.8%	1.11
20 Tampa	90.1%	95.7%	1.06
21 Columbus, OH	81.9%	85.2%	1.04
22 New York	81.8%	83.3%	1.02
23 Virginia Beach	91.1%	92.7%	1.02
24 Oklahoma City	84.5%	83.8%	0.99
25 Los Angeles-Long Beach†	69.4%	66.8%	0.96
US—Central Cities	84.0%	88.5%	1.05*

Note: Those cities with sample sizes that are too small to provide a reliable estimate of White or Black households' opinions on education are excluded from this ranking.

† The data do not allow separate analysis of these cities.

* Differences are statistically significant.

ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1990-1996.

TABLE 7B
In Some Cities, Hispanic Parents Are More Satisfied with Public Elementary Schools than White Parents

City	Percent of White Parents Satisfied with Public Elementary Schools	Percent of Hispanic Parents Satisfied with Public Elementary Schools	Ratio of Hispanic/White School Satisfaction
1 Chicago	60.3%	87.8%	1.46*
2 Dallas	69.2%	91.3%	1.32*
3 Los Angeles-Long Beach†	69.4%	86.8%	1.25*
4 Denver	70.9%	87.1%	1.23*
5 Houston	79.7%	91.1%	1.14*
6 Fort Worth	83.7%	95.1%	1.14*
7 San Bernardino-Ontario, CA†	82.9%	93.2%	1.12
8 Anaheim	81.0%	91.0%	1.12
9 San Antonio	85.5%	92.5%	1.08*
10 Oklahoma City	84.5%	91.0%	1.08
11 Phoenix	82.4%	88.5%	1.07
12 Sacramento	76.7%	81.8%	1.07
13 New York	81.8%	86.7%	1.06
14 Riverside, CA	91.6%	96.1%	1.05
15 San Jose	84.4%	88.0%	1.04
16 San Diego	87.4%	88.4%	1.01
US—Central Cities	84.0%	91.5%	1.09*

Note: Those cities with sample sizes that are too small to provide a reliable estimate of White or Hispanic households' opinions on education are excluded from this ranking.

† The data do not allow separate analysis of these cities.

** Differences are statistically significant.*

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TABLE 8

City Parents Are More Likely to be Dissatisfied with the Public Elementary Schools than Are Suburban Parents

	Percent of Households Dissatisfied with Public Elementary Schools		Ratio of City/Suburb Dissatisfaction
	City	Suburb	
1 Buffalo	18.9%	4.1%	4.57*
2 Rochester	17.7%	4.3%	4.12*
3 Minneapolis	22.7%	5.6%	4.07*
4 St. Paul	21.0%	5.6%	3.76*
5 Cleveland	34.2%	9.1%	3.75*
6 Chicago	23.6%	6.4%	3.67*
7 Cincinnati	26.2%	7.6%	3.46*
8 Philadelphia	25.7%	9.5%	2.69*
9 Columbus, OH	16.6%	6.5%	2.54*
10 St. Louis	21.7%	8.6%	2.51*
11 Pittsburgh	22.3%	9.0%	2.48*
12 Milwaukee	17.4%	7.1%	2.44*
13 Los Angeles-Long Beach†	19.9%	8.3%	2.40*
14 Houston	13.1%	5.5%	2.39*
15 Denver	20.6%	8.8%	2.35*
16 Washington, DC	17.7%	8.3%	2.13*
17 Boston	19.5%	9.2%	2.11*
18 Kansas City, KS	18.6%	8.9%	2.08*
19 Indianapolis	14.5%	7.0%	2.07*
20 Oakland	31.6%	15.4%	2.06*
21 Arlington, TX	21.7%	10.7%	2.02*
22 Detroit	17.3%	8.7%	2.00*
23 Memphis	16.7%	8.4%	1.99*
24 Baltimore	15.7%	8.0%	1.98*
25 Kansas City, MO	16.9%	8.9%	1.90*
26 New York	14.6%	8.2%	1.79
27 Seattle-Everett†	18.8%	10.8%	1.75*
28 Atlanta	16.0%	9.3%	1.73*
29 Providence-Warwick, RI†	17.2%	10.0%	1.72*
30 Hartford	13.7%	8.2%	1.66
31 Anaheim	12.8%	8.1%	1.57
32 Dallas	16.4%	10.5%	1.55*
33 Oklahoma City	15.4%	10.3%	1.49*
34 San Francisco	22.3%	15.3%	1.46*
35 Birmingham	15.2%	10.9%	1.39*
36 San Jose	13.5%	10.0%	1.35*

TABLE 8 (continued)

	Percent of Households Dissatisfied with Public Elementary Schools		Ratio of City/Suburb Dissatisfaction
	City	Suburb	
37 Phoenix	14.4%	11.0%	1.31
38 Portland, OR	16.4%	12.8%	1.28
39 San Antonio	9.4%	7.6%	1.24
40 Salt Lake City	10.6%	8.5%	1.24
41 St. Petersburg	15.3%	14.0%	1.10
42 Sunnyvale, CA	10.9%	10.0%	1.09
43 Mesa	11.4%	11.0%	1.04
44 Norfolk	9.6%	9.7%	0.99
45 San Bernardino-Ontario, CA [†]	11.4%	11.7%	0.98
46 Fort Worth	10.4%	10.7%	0.97
47 Sacramento	13.9%	14.9%	0.93
48 San Diego	10.7%	11.5%	0.93
49 Miami	11.3%	13.1%	0.87
50 VA Beach	8.3%	9.7%	0.85
51 New Orleans	20.3%	24.0%	0.85
52 Tampa	8.1%	14.0%	0.58*
53 Riverside, CA	6.5%	11.7%	0.56*
54 Santa Ana, CA	4.5%	8.1%	0.55
55 Newark	—	6.3%	—
United States	12.8%	7.8%	1.65*

[†] The data do not allow separate analysis of these cities.

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TABLE 9

In a Majority of the Cities, More City Parents Want to Move Because of Unsatisfactory Public Elementary Schools than do Suburban Parents

	Percent of Households So Dissatisfied with Public Elementary Schools They Want to Move		Ratio of City/Suburb Dissatisfaction
	City	Suburb	
1 Buffalo	12.7%	1.3%	9.48*
2 Minneapolis	11.5%	1.3%	8.69*
3 Cleveland	23.4%	3.4%	6.81*
4 Philadelphia	15.6%	2.8%	5.61*
5 St. Paul	7.1%	1.3%	5.35*
6 New York	8.6%	1.7%	5.17*
7 Cincinnati	13.7%	2.8%	4.97*
8 Milwaukee	7.5%	1.5%	4.88*
9 Rochester	8.0%	1.7%	4.79*
10 Columbus, OH	9.3%	2.1%	4.43*
11 Kansas City, KS	12.9%	3.2%	4.08*
12 Denver	12.1%	3.0%	3.99*
13 Oakland	20.9%	5.3%	3.95*
14 Baltimore	7.9%	2.2%	3.66*
15 Memphis	10.3%	2.8%	3.64*
16 St. Louis	12.9%	3.6%	3.62*
17 Houston	8.8%	2.6%	3.36*
18 Chicago	9.9%	3.1%	3.18*
19 Arlington, TX	15.0%	4.9%	3.04*
20 Pittsburgh	10.3%	3.5%	2.94*
21 Kansas City, MO	9.2%	3.2%	2.91*
22 Los Angeles-Long Beach†	10.5%	3.7%	2.86*
23 Phoenix	9.4%	3.4%	2.80*
24 Boston	8.7%	3.2%	2.72*
25 Indianapolis	7.2%	2.8%	2.58*
26 Oklahoma City	9.6%	3.7%	2.57*
27 San Antonio	5.1%	2.1%	2.43*
28 Anaheim	7.3%	3.0%	2.38
29 Dallas	8.9%	4.0%	2.20*
30 Detroit	7.4%	3.4%	2.16
31 Providence-Warwick, RI†	10.6%	5.1%	2.10*
32 St. Petersburg	7.3%	3.7%	1.96
33 Seattle-Everett†	6.7%	3.5%	1.92

TABLE 9 (continued)

	Percent of Households So Dissatisfied with Public Elementary Schools They Want to Move		Ratio of City/Suburb Dissatisfaction
	City	Suburb	
34 Salt Lake City	7.5%	3.9%	1.90
35 Washington, DC	7.2%	3.8%	1.89
36 San Jose	7.0%	3.9%	1.80*
37 Hartford	7.7%	4.8%	1.61
38 Tampa	5.4%	3.7%	1.47
39 Sacramento	8.2%	5.8%	1.41
40 Atlanta	4.8%	3.9%	1.25
41 Birmingham	7.0%	5.7%	1.22
42 Sunnyvale, CA	4.7%	3.9%	1.22
43 Mesa	4.0%	3.4%	1.20
44 San Francisco	8.0%	6.9%	1.16
45 Santa Ana, CA	3.2%	3.0%	1.06
46 Portland, OR	4.7%	4.8%	0.97
47 Fort Worth	4.8%	4.9%	0.97
48 San Bernardino-Ontario, CA†	5.4%	6.0%	0.89
49 Riverside, CA	4.9%	6.0%	0.81
50 San Diego	4.5%	5.6%	0.80
51 Norfolk	4.3%	5.6%	0.77
52 New Orleans	6.7%	8.8%	0.77
53 VA Beach	3.8%	5.6%	0.69
54 Miami	4.3%	6.7%	0.64
55 Newark	—	3.8%	—
United States	6.7%	2.8%	2.37*

† The data do not allow separate analysis of these cities.

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TABLE 10

**In Almost One-Half of the Cities, the Intensity of School Dissatisfaction
Among City Parents Is Greater than Among Suburban Parents**

	Among Households Dissatisfied with Public Elementary Schools, Proportion that Want to Move		Ratio of City/Suburb Dissatisfaction
	City	Suburb	
1 New York	58.5%	20.2%	2.89*
2 Tampa	66.7%	26.5%	2.52*
3 Phoenix	65.4%	30.6%	2.14*
4 Minneapolis	50.7%	23.7%	2.14*
5 Philadelphia	60.5%	29.1%	2.08*
6 Buffalo	67.3%	32.5%	2.07*
7 Milwaukee	43.3%	21.6%	2.00*
8 Kansas City, KS	69.2%	35.4%	1.96*
9 San Antonio	54.7%	27.9%	1.96*
10 Oakland	66.0%	34.3%	1.92*
11 Santa Ana, CA	72.0%	37.5%	1.92
12 Baltimore	50.4%	27.2%	1.85*
13 Memphis	61.4%	33.6%	1.83*
14 Cleveland	68.3%	37.6%	1.82*
15 St. Petersburg	47.4%	26.5%	1.79
16 Columbus, OH	56.2%	32.2%	1.74*
17 Oklahoma City	62.2%	36.2%	1.72*
18 Denver	59.0%	34.8%	1.70*
19 Salt Lake City	70.7%	46.0%	1.54*
20 Kansas City, MO	54.4%	35.4%	1.54*
21 Anaheim	56.8%	37.5%	1.52
22 Sacramento	59.3%	39.3%	1.51*
23 Arlington, TX	69.0%	45.9%	1.50*
24 St. Louis	59.5%	41.2%	1.45*
25 Riverside, CA	74.3%	51.7%	1.44
26 Cincinnati	52.3%	36.4%	1.43*
27 St. Paul	33.8%	23.7%	1.42
28 Dallas	54.3%	38.3%	1.42
29 Houston	67.4%	47.8%	1.41*
30 San Jose	51.6%	38.7%	1.33
31 Boston	44.9%	34.9%	1.29
32 Indianapolis	49.5%	39.8%	1.25
33 Providence-Warwick, RI†	61.6%	50.4%	1.22

TABLE 10 (continued)

	Among Households Dissatisfied with Public Elementary Schools, Proportion that Want to Move		Ratio of City/Suburb Dissatisfaction
	City	Suburb	
34 Los Angeles-Long Beach†	52.9%	44.4%	1.19
35 Pittsburgh	46.3%	39.0%	1.19
36 Rochester	45.0%	38.7%	1.16
37 Mesa	35.2%	30.6%	1.15
38 Sunnyvale, CA	43.3%	38.7%	1.12
39 Seattle-Everett†	35.3%	32.2%	1.10
40 Detroit	42.6%	39.5%	1.08
41 Fort Worth	45.6%	45.9%	0.99
42 Hartford	56.5%	58.3%	0.97
43 San Bernardino-Ontario, CA†	47.2%	51.7%	0.91
44 New Orleans	33.0%	36.5%	0.90
45 Washington, DC	40.8%	45.8%	0.89
46 Birmingham	46.0%	52.3%	0.88
47 Chicago	41.9%	48.3%	0.87
48 San Diego	42.3%	49.0%	0.86
49 VA Beach	46.3%	57.3%	0.81
50 San Francisco	36.1%	45.5%	0.79
51 Norfolk	44.7%	57.3%	0.78
52 Portland, OR	28.5%	37.6%	0.76
53 Miami	37.9%	51.5%	0.74
54 Atlanta	30.1%	41.6%	0.72
55 Newark	—	60.4%	—
United States	52.2%	36.4%	1.43*

† The data do not allow separate analysis of these cities.

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TABLE 11

In One-Third of the Cities, Households with Public School Children Are Less Satisfied with Public Education than Are Suburban Households

	Among Households that Enroll Their Children in Public Elementary Schools, Percent that Are Satisfied		Percentage Point Difference
	City	Suburb	
1 Cleveland	80.6%	95.5%	14.9*
2 Cincinnati	81.9%	95.7%	13.9*
3 Oakland	79.1%	91.1%	12.1*
4 Philadelphia	84.3%	95.8%	11.5*
5 Minneapolis	84.7%	95.9%	11.2*
6 Chicago	88.2%	98.2%	10.0*
7 Detroit	86.8%	96.4%	9.5*
8 Denver	84.7%	92.9%	8.2*
9 Hartford	87.7%	94.9%	7.1*
10 Los Angeles-Long Beach†	87.0%	94.1%	7.1*
11 Pittsburgh	86.6%	93.7%	7.0
12 Anaheim	90.1%	96.5%	6.4
13 Buffalo	90.7%	96.8%	6.1*
14 Columbus, OH	90.0%	95.7%	5.7*
15 Memphis	90.8%	96.3%	5.5*
16 Baltimore	90.2%	95.7%	5.5*
17 Houston	91.0%	96.0%	5.0*
18 Atlanta	89.1%	93.8%	4.7
19 Washington, DC	89.6%	93.8%	4.3
20 St. Paul	91.7%	95.9%	4.2
21 Indianapolis	91.5%	95.7%	4.2*
22 Sunnyvale, CA	89.5%	93.1%	3.6
23 Arlington, TX	91.2%	94.8%	3.6
24 Providence-Warwick, RI†	88.4%	91.7%	3.3
25 Dallas	90.9%	93.8%	2.9
26 Birmingham	90.6%	93.2%	2.6
27 Phoenix	89.4%	91.9%	2.6
28 Seattle-Everett†	88.7%	91.2%	2.6
29 Sacramento	89.6%	91.9%	2.3
30 Fort Worth	92.6%	94.8%	2.2
31 San Jose	91.8%	93.1%	1.3
32 Norfolk	92.2%	93.5%	1.3
33 Kansas City, MO	93.0%	94.2%	1.2

TABLE 11 (continued)

	Among Households that Enroll Their Children in Public Elementary Schools, Percent that Are Satisfied		Percentage Point Difference
	City	Suburb	
34 Rochester	95.6%	96.8%	1.2
35 Salt Lake City	91.4%	92.5%	1.1
36 Oklahoma City	91.2%	92.0%	0.8
37 Mesa	91.3%	91.9%	0.6
38 Milwaukee	94.2%	94.6%	0.4
39 Portland, OR	92.2%	92.4%	0.2
40 New Orleans	88.4%	87.9%	-0.4
41 San Antonio	94.2%	93.6%	-0.6
42 Santa Ana, CA	97.2%	96.5%	-0.7
43 Boston	96.6%	95.7%	-0.9
44 St. Louis	95.1%	94.1%	-1.0
45 San Bernardino-Ontario, CA†	92.5%	91.4%	-1.1
46 VA Beach	95.1%	93.5%	-1.6
47 Miami	92.6%	90.6%	-2.0
48 San Diego	92.2%	89.6%	-2.6
49 San Francisco	92.5%	89.5%	-3.0
50 Tampa	96.1%	91.7%	-4.4*
51 Riverside, CA	95.9%	91.4%	-4.5
52 Kansas City, KS	—	—	—
53 Newark	—	—	—
54 New York	—	—	—
55 St. Petersburg	—	—	—
United States	93.0%	95.6%	2.6*

Note: Only includes households with children age 5 to 13.

† The data do not allow separate analysis of these cities.

* Differences are statistically significant.

— Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate.

ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1990-1996.

TABLE 12

In Most Cities, Poor Households Are No More Dissatisfied with Public Education than Are Suburban Households

	Among Poor Households, Proportion Dissatisfied with Public Elementary Schools		Ratio of City/Suburb Dissatisfaction
	City	Suburb	
1 Baltimore	10.8%	1.1%	9.90*
2 Buffalo	17.6%	2.7%	6.43*
3 Minneapolis	19.4%	4.6%	4.18*
4 Cleveland	26.7%	7.7%	3.45*
5 St. Paul	11.8%	4.6%	2.55
6 Los Angeles-Long Beach†	15.9%	6.4%	2.50*
7 Oakland	31.8%	15.4%	2.06*
8 Cincinnati	26.4%	13.0%	2.04*
9 Columbus, OH	12.6%	6.5%	1.94
10 Rochester	13.9%	7.3%	1.90
11 Washington, DC	10.2%	5.8%	1.77
12 Phoenix	15.4%	9.5%	1.63
13 Kansas City, MO	17.4%	11.2%	1.56
14 Providence-Warwick, RI†	16.6%	10.9%	1.52
15 San Jose	9.5%	6.4%	1.48
16 Houston	9.7%	6.8%	1.44
17 Pittsburgh	14.9%	10.4%	1.43
18 Oklahoma City	16.1%	12.3%	1.31
19 Boston	9.9%	7.6%	1.30
20 Portland, OR	18.7%	14.8%	1.26
21 Atlanta	10.1%	8.1%	1.25
22 Denver	11.9%	9.6%	1.23
23 Fort Worth	9.3%	8.1%	1.15
24 Salt Lake City	9.7%	8.5%	1.14
25 Detroit	14.9%	13.1%	1.14
26 Birmingham	14.2%	12.9%	1.10
27 St. Louis	9.8%	9.4%	1.05
28 Sacramento	12.0%	11.8%	1.01
29 Memphis	11.3%	12.1%	0.94
30 Hartford	7.3%	7.8%	0.93
31 Indianapolis	11.5%	12.6%	0.91
32 Tampa	12.2%	13.6%	0.90
33 Dallas	7.9%	9.1%	0.87

TABLE 12 (continued)

	Among Poor Households, Proportion Dissatisfied with Public Elementary Schools		Ratio of City/Suburb Dissatisfaction
	City	Suburb	
34 San Diego	9.4%	11.4%	0.83
35 New Orleans	15.5%	19.0%	0.82
36 San Antonio	8.4%	12.0%	0.70
37 San Bernardino-Ontario, CA†	7.0%	10.9%	0.64
38 VA Beach	5.1%	10.5%	0.49
39 Norfolk	4.5%	10.5%	0.43*
40 Santa Ana, CA	1.6%	3.9%	0.42
41 Miami	2.3%	8.0%	0.29*
United States	10.7%	8.7%	1.24*

Note: Those cities with sample sizes that are too small to provide a reliable estimate of poor households' opinions on education are excluded from this ranking.

† The data do not allow separate analysis of these cities.

* Differences are statistically significant.

ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1990-1996.

TABLE 13A

Ten Cities with the Largest Disparity in City-Suburban Opinions on Education Among White Households

	Percent of White Households Dissatisfied with Public Elementary Schools		Ratio of City/Suburb Dissatisfaction
	City	Suburb	
Chicago	39.7%	5.4%	7.33*
Rochester	27.6%	4.1%	6.72*
Buffalo	28.1%	4.3%	6.53*
Cleveland	54.7%	9.6%	5.69*
St. Paul	30.3%	5.7%	5.29*
Cincinnati	37.7%	7.5%	5.03*
Minneapolis	26.2%	5.7%	4.59*
Milwaukee	31.5%	7.3%	4.30*
Houston	20.3%	5.2%	3.86*
Memphis	35.1%	9.5%	3.71*

TABLE 13B

Ten Cities with the Largest Disparity in City-Suburban Opinions on Education Among Black Households

	Percent of Black Households Dissatisfied with Public Elementary Schools		Ratio of City/Suburb Dissatisfaction
	City	Suburb	
Cleveland	21.5%	6.6%	3.25*
Memphis	10.1%	4.5%	2.23*
Baltimore	10.6%	6.1%	1.75
Cincinnati	15.3%	9.5%	1.60
Atlanta	15.3%	9.6%	1.59
Birmingham	9.7%	6.4%	1.51
Dallas	8.3%	5.6%	1.47
Washington, DC	12.4%	9.0%	1.37
Houston	10.1%	7.4%	1.36
Pittsburgh	17.2%	13.2%	1.30

* Differences are statistically significant.

ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1990-1996.

TABLE 13C

Ten Cities with the Largest Disparity in City-Suburban Opinions on Education Among Hispanic Households

	Percent of Hispanic Households Dissatisfied with Public Elementary Schools		Ratio of City/Suburb Dissatisfaction
	City	Suburb	
Dallas	8.7%	1.8%	4.99*
Phoenix	11.5%	3.9%	2.94*
Anaheim	9.0%	3.5%	2.60
Denver	12.9%	5.3%	2.42*
Los Angeles-Long Beach†	13.2%	7.1%	1.85*
San Antonio	7.5%	4.9%	1.54
San Diego	11.6%	7.7%	1.52
Houston	8.9%	6.0%	1.48
Hartford	4.9%	4.1%	1.19
Sacramento	18.2%	16.0%	1.14

† The data do not allow separate analysis of these cities.

* Differences are statistically significant.

ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1990-1996.

United States - All Metropolitan Areas: Cities and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Areas		Central Cities		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	28,411,600	37.3%	10,629,100	35.1%	17,782,500	38.8%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	24,120,700	84.9%	8,735,900	82.2%	15,384,800	86.5%
Satisfied with public elementary school	21,803,300	90.4%	7,615,100	87.2%	14,188,200	92.2%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	2,317,500	9.6%	1,120,800	12.8%	1,196,600	7.8%
So dissatisfied they want to move	1,021,500	4.2%	585,600	6.7%	435,900	2.8%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		44.1%		52.2%		36.4%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	20,656,700	99.0%	7,557,000	98.8%	13,099,700	99.0%
Attend public school*	18,153,300	87.9%	6,542,700	86.6%	11,610,700	88.6%
Attend private school*	2,806,900	13.6%	1,150,700	15.2%	1,656,200	12.6%
Attend other school*	282,800	1.4%	111,700	1.5%	171,200	1.3%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	27,972,100	98.5%	10,417,300	98.0%	17,554,800	98.7%
Find crime bothersome	5,493,400	19.6%	3,091,700	29.7%	2,401,700	13.7%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	2,586,900	9.2%	1,630,400	15.7%	956,500	5.4%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		47.1%		52.7%		39.8%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	5,858,600	20.6%	2,583,200	24.3%	3,275,500	18.4%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	608,100	11.1%	218,300	9.0%	389,700	12.8%
Close to job	573,800	10.5%	251,700	10.3%	322,100	10.6%
Close to family/friends	579,600	10.6%	275,800	11.3%	303,800	10.0%
House or appearance of neighborhood	1,693,600	30.9%	753,600	31.0%	940,000	30.9%
Other reason	1,467,500	26.8%	683,200	28.1%	784,300	25.8%
All reasons important	555,100	10.1%	252,000	10.4%	303,100	10.0%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.3%	53.6%	93.4%	53.7%	93.2%	53.6%
Private	8.6%	46.4%	8.9%	46.1%	8.4%	46.7%
Other	1.1%	3.2%	1.1%	3.5%	1.1%	3.0%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	65.0%	68.3%	45.3%	58.4%	75.6%	77.6%
Black, non-Hispanic	15.8%	17.8%	27.9%	24.6%	9.3%	11.3%
Hispanic	14.4%	10.8%	21.2%	13.5%	10.7%	8.3%
Other, non-Hispanic	4.8%	3.1%	5.6%	3.5%	4.4%	2.8%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$41,490	\$41,593	\$29,856	\$35,107	\$48,388	\$49,829
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	27.5%	27.8%	39.6%	32.3%	20.9%	23.6%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.7%	5.3%	93.0%	7.0%	95.6%	4.4%
Private	65.3%	34.7%	59.5%	40.5%	69.3%	30.7%
Other	78.1%	21.9%	---	---	82.7%	17.3%
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	90.0%	10.0%	84.0%	16.0%	92.0%	8.0%
Black, non-Hispanic	89.3%	10.7%	88.5%	11.5%	90.7%	9.3%
Hispanic	92.6%	7.4%	91.4%	8.6%	93.9%	6.1%
Other, non-Hispanic	93.5%	6.5%	91.5%	8.5%	94.9%	5.1%
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	90.3%	9.7%	89.3%	10.7%	91.3%	8.7%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	18,469,600	32.9%	4,607,300	46.3%	3,959,500	56.3%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	15,751,000	85.3%	3,859,000	83.8%	3,391,300	85.6%
Satisfied with public elementary school	14,168,400	90.0%	3,447,700	89.3%	3,140,600	92.6%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	1,582,600	10.0%	411,400	10.7%	250,700	7.4%
So dissatisfied they want to move	633,200	4.0%	228,000	5.9%	136,200	4.0%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		40.0%		55.4%		54.3%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	13,275,100	98.9%	3,433,300	99.2%	2,952,700	99.0%
Attend public school*	11,392,900	85.8%	3,158,800	92.0%	2,718,700	92.1%
Attend private school*	2,086,400	15.7%	327,100	9.5%	244,300	8.3%
Attend other school*	204,500	1.5%	40,400	1.2%	33,200	1.1%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	18,224,400	98.7%	4,499,900	97.7%	3,909,500	98.7%
Find crime bothersome	3,095,900	17.0%	1,291,000	28.7%	894,100	22.9%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	1,235,600	6.8%	766,600	17.0%	510,100	13.0%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		39.9%		59.4%		57.0%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	3,245,700	17.6%	1,187,200	25.8%	1,092,300	27.6%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	429,800	14.2%	64,600	5.8%	76,800	7.5%
Close to job	300,400	9.9%	113,800	10.3%	108,600	10.7%
Close to family/friends	302,500	10.0%	109,500	9.9%	139,600	13.7%
House or appearance of neighborhood	936,300	31.0%	372,900	33.7%	316,300	31.0%
Other reason	769,400	25.4%	341,100	30.8%	263,000	25.8%
All reasons important	285,600	9.4%	103,800	9.4%	115,800	11.4%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.3%	43.6%	95.5%	75.2%	95.3%	72.5%
Private	9.7%	55.6%	6.2%	26.6%	5.2%	29.3%
Other	1.3%	4.1%	1.1%	2.7%	0.9%	0.0%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$51,476	\$51,476	\$23,267	\$22,650	\$25,737	\$27,303
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	16.1%	17.8%	51.5%	51.2%	52.3%	50.4%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	95.3%	4.7%	92.0%	8.0%	94.6%	5.4%
Private	62.8%	37.2%	67.9%	32.1%	70.3%	29.7%
Other	75.2%	24.8%	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	89.0%	11.0%	89.4%	10.6%	92.9%	7.1%

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area.

--- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1995.

Anaheim-Santa Ana, CA Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Anaheim city		Santa Ana city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	334,900	39.3%	40,800	48.0%	38,600	55.5%	255,500	36.7%
Schools								
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	274,000	81.8%	30,000	73.5%	30,300	78.6%	213,700	83.6%
Satisfied with public elementary school	251,400	91.8%	26,200	87.2%	29,000	95.5%	196,300	91.9%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	22,600	8.2%	3,800	12.8%	1,400	4.5%	17,400	8.1%
So dissatisfied they want to move	9,700	3.5%	2,200	7.3%	1,000	3.2%	6,500	3.0%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		42.8%		56.8%		72.0%		37.5%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	245,900	98.8%	28,900	98.6%	28,900	98.0%	188,000	98.9%
Attend public school*	212,800	86.6%	25,800	89.4%	26,800	92.5%	160,300	85.2%
Attend private school*	36,600	14.9%	3,100	10.7%	2,800	9.6%	30,800	16.4%
Attend other school*	4,500	1.8%	700	2.6%	200	0.7%	3,500	1.9%
Crime								
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	333,900	99.7%	40,600	99.4%	38,600	100.0%	254,700	99.7%
Find crime bothersome	64,700	19.4%	13,000	32.0%	7,800	20.3%	43,900	17.2%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	35,600	10.7%	7,800	19.2%	5,500	14.3%	22,300	8.7%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		55.0%		60.1%		70.4%		50.7%
Reasons for neighborhood choice								
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	84,400	25.2%	11,200	27.5%	11,100	28.6%	62,200	24.3%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood								
Schools	6,900	8.3%	1,400	12.4%	900	8.2%	4,600	7.5%
Close to job	7,900	9.4%	1,100	9.7%	1,400	12.9%	5,400	8.7%
Close to family/friends	8,500	10.2%	1,300	11.9%	2,000	18.1%	5,200	8.4%
House or appearance of neighborhood	19,200	22.9%	800	6.8%	4,700	42.7%	13,700	22.3%
Other reason	26,100	31.1%	2,800	24.5%	2,000	18.1%	21,300	34.6%
All reasons important	15,300	18.2%	3,900	34.6%	0	0.0%	11,400	18.5%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend								
Public	90.8%	51.1%	91.4%	---	95.4%	---	89.8%	---
Private	11.1%	51.5%	9.3%	---	7.5%	---	12.0%	---
Other	2.4%	0.0%	2.0%	---	0.9%	---	2.7%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household								
White, non-Hispanic	54.5%	74.7%	43.6%	---	9.0%	---	62.7%	77.2%
Black, non-Hispanic	1.9%	1.0%	1.5%	---	0.6%	---	2.1%	0.0%
Hispanic	28.5%	12.2%	37.7%	---	77.5%	---	20.1%	8.1%
Other, non-Hispanic	15.0%	12.1%	17.1%	---	13.0%	---	15.1%	14.7%
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	---	100%	100%
Income and poverty								
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$53,094	\$53,994	\$38,516	---	\$33,296	---	\$60,452	\$62,305
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	16.8%	7.8%	25.6%	---	38.3%	---	12.5%	5.7%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend								
Public	95.8%	4.2%	90.1%	9.9%	97.2%	2.8%	96.5%	3.5%
Private	73.2%	26.8%	---	---	---	---	71.3%	28.7%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household								
White, non-Hispanic	89.0%	11.0%	81.0%	19.0%	---	---	90.2%	9.8%
Black, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Hispanic	96.3%	3.7%	91.0%	9.0%	98.3%	1.7%	96.6%	3.5%
Other, non-Hispanic	93.3%	6.8%	---	---	---	---	92.1%	7.9%
Poverty								
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	96.0%	4.0%	---	---	98.4%	1.6%	96.1%	3.9%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

Households with children age 0-16

Schools

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	184,400	30.9%	--	--	94,300	64.3%
Satisfied with public elementary school	137,100	89.0%	--	--	71,800	96.3%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	16,900	11.0%	--	--	2,800	3.7%
So dissatisfied they want to move	6,400	4.1%	--	--	1,500	2.0%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		37.8%		--		55.2%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	135,600	99.1%	--	--	68,300	97.5%
Attend public school*	113,700	83.8%	--	--	61,600	90.2%
Attend private school*	24,700	18.2%	--	--	6,700	9.8%
Attend other school*	2,600	1.9%	--	--	1,700	2.5%

Crime

Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	183,300	99.4%	--	--	94,300	100.0%
Find crime bothersome	41,000	22.4%	--	--	17,200	18.2%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	20,700	11.3%	--	--	11,300	11.9%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		50.5%		--		65.7%

Reasons for neighborhood choice

Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	38,900	21.1%	--	--	31,200	33.0%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	3,300	8.5%	--	--	2,000	6.5%
Close to job	2,900	7.6%	--	--	3,700	12.0%
Close to family/friends	2,200	5.6%	--	--	3,300	10.6%
House or appearance of neighborhood	7,300	19.1%	--	--	8,900	28.6%
Other reason	14,500	37.8%	--	--	8,900	28.4%
All reasons important	8,200	21.4%	--	--	4,300	13.8%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

Type of school children age 5-13 attend

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Public	88.2%	--	--	--	94.1%	--
Private	14.1%	--	--	--	6.8%	--
Other	2.9%	--	--	--	2.2%	--
	100%*	--	--	--	100%*	--

Income and poverty

Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$69,769	\$66,698	--	--	\$34,971	--
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	6.2%	6.7%	--	--	34.9%	--

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

Type of school children age 5-13 attend

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Public	94.4%	5.6%	--	--	97.8%	2.2%
Private	70.5%	29.5%	--	--	--	--
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--

Poverty

Households living below 150% of the poverty line	--	--	--	--	98.5%	1.5%
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Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area.

-- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1994.

Atlanta, GA Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Atlanta city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	474,200	36.3%	47,600	30.2%	426,600	37.1%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	384,300	81.0%	35,500	74.6%	348,800	81.7%
Satisfied with public elementary school	346,100	90.1%	29,800	84.0%	316,300	90.7%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	38,100	9.9%	5,700	16.0%	32,400	9.3%
So dissatisfied they want to move	15,200	4.0%	1,700	4.8%	13,500	3.9%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		39.8%		30.1%		41.6%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	334,800	97.9%	32,200	96.7%	302,600	98.1%
Attend public school*	300,500	89.8%	27,800	86.4%	272,700	90.1%
Attend private school*	34,100	10.2%	3,300	10.2%	30,800	10.2%
Attend other school*	8,600	2.6%	1,400	4.4%	7,200	2.4%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	467,700	98.6%	46,500	97.7%	421,200	98.7%
Find crime bothersome	74,300	15.9%	20,200	43.5%	54,100	12.8%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	28,300	6.0%	10,700	23.1%	17,500	4.2%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		38.0%		53.0%		32.4%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	106,300	22.4%	--	--	94,000	22.0%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	8,500	8.9%	--	--	7,800	9.0%
Close to job	10,800	11.3%	--	--	10,100	11.7%
Close to family/friends	7,300	7.6%	--	--	5,800	6.7%
House or appearance of neighborhood	24,200	25.3%	--	--	23,200	26.8%
Other reason	27,800	29.0%	--	--	23,700	27.3%
All reasons important	17,100	17.8%	--	--	16,000	18.4%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.7%	63.0%	87.2%	--	94.3%	61.6%
Private	6.4%	35.6%	7.4%	--	6.3%	36.8%
Other	2.4%	5.3%	7.0%	--	2.0%	6.0%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	--	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	65.3%	64.7%	14.6%	--	70.1%	71.6%
Black, non-Hispanic	27.5%	31.1%	79.0%	--	22.6%	23.5%
Hispanic	3.9%	3.4%	5.1%	--	3.8%	4.0%
Other, non-Hispanic	3.3%	0.8%	1.2%	--	3.5%	1.0%
	100%	100%	100%	--	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$53,050	\$47,500	\$20,000	--	\$56,000	\$59,000
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	16.4%	14.0%	51.4%	--	13.1%	11.2%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.4%	6.6%	89.1%	10.9%	93.8%	6.2%
Private	63.3%	36.7%	--	--	63.0%	37.0%
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	90.2%	9.8%	--	--	90.5%	9.5%
Black, non-Hispanic	88.9%	11.1%	84.7%	15.3%	90.4%	9.6%
Hispanic	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other, non-Hispanic	--	--	--	--	--	--
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	91.4%	8.6%	89.9%	10.1%	91.9%	8.1%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	296,700	32.7%	141,300	44.4%	21,100	50.7%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	250,600	84.5%	107,100	75.8%	---	---
Satisfied with public elementary school	226,000	90.2%	95,200	88.9%	---	---
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	24,700	9.8%	11,900	11.1%	---	---
So dissatisfied they want to move	10,300	4.1%	4,000	3.7%	---	---
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		41.6%		33.4%		---
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	210,600	97.8%	100,200	97.7%	---	---
Attend public school*	186,300	88.5%	91,900	91.7%	---	---
Attend private school*	25,200	12.0%	7,600	7.6%	---	---
Attend other school*	6,300	3.0%	2,000	2.0%	---	---
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	292,600	98.6%	139,200	98.5%	21,100	100.0%
Find crime bothersome	37,200	12.7%	32,500	23.3%	4,000	19.0%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	9,700	3.3%	15,900	11.4%	2,700	12.8%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		26.0%		48.9%		67.3%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	56,500	19.0%	37,700	26.6%	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	5,300	10.0%	2,300	7.2%	---	---
Close to job	4,500	8.6%	3,300	10.4%	---	---
Close to family/friends	3,200	6.0%	2,800	9.0%	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	15,000	28.4%	7,100	22.5%	---	---
Other reason	15,100	28.6%	11,000	35.0%	---	---
All reasons important	9,700	18.4%	5,000	15.9%	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.3%	52.3%	94.4%	---	---	---
Private	7.5%	43.4%	4.6%	---	---	---
Other	2.4%	8.8%	2.5%	---	---	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$62,500	\$66,020	\$34,000	---	---	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	8.8%	9.4%	32.6%	---	---	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.8%	5.2%	90.2%	9.8%	---	---
Private	64.0%	36.0%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	89.6%	10.4%	91.9%	8.1%	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area.

--- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1996.

Baltimore, MD Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Baltimore city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	330,900	37.4%	97,900	36.8%	233,000	37.7%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	282,000	85.2%	79,600	81.3%	202,400	86.9%
Satisfied with public elementary school	253,400	89.8%	67,100	84.3%	186,300	92.0%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	28,600	10.2%	12,500	15.7%	16,100	8.0%
So dissatisfied they want to move	10,700	3.8%	6,300	7.9%	4,400	2.2%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		37.4%		50.4%		27.2%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	243,000	95.6%	72,200	94.9%	170,800	95.9%
Attend public school*	212,100	87.3%	61,700	85.5%	150,300	88.0%
Attend private school*	36,900	15.2%	11,000	15.3%	25,900	15.1%
Attend other school*	4,800	2.0%	1,700	2.4%	3,100	1.8%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	326,500	98.7%	96,500	98.6%	230,000	98.7%
Find crime bothersome	83,800	25.7%	47,300	49.0%	36,500	15.9%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	44,400	13.6%	29,400	30.4%	15,000	6.5%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		53.0%		62.1%		41.2%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	56,600	17.1%	18,200	18.6%	38,300	16.5%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	2,000	3.8%	0	0.0%	2,000	5.6%
Close to job	5,100	9.8%	1,000	5.7%	4,100	11.7%
Close to family/friends	6,600	12.6%	3,000	17.9%	3,600	10.1%
House or appearance of neighborhood	17,400	33.2%	6,800	40.4%	10,600	29.9%
Other reason	16,500	31.6%	5,000	30.2%	11,400	32.2%
All reasons important	4,700	9.0%	1,000	5.9%	3,700	10.5%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.4%	61.8%	93.7%	---	93.2%	---
Private	9.4%	43.7%	6.9%	---	10.4%	---
Other	1.8%	1.3%	1.7%	---	1.9%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	70.4%	70.8%	31.0%	50.4%	84.6%	86.7%
Black, non-Hispanic	26.2%	23.3%	66.0%	41.9%	11.8%	8.8%
Hispanic	0.8%	2.3%	0.4%	3.1%	1.0%	1.6%
Other, non-Hispanic	2.6%	3.6%	2.6%	4.6%	2.6%	2.8%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$46,079	\$56,159	\$23,047	\$34,559	\$56,447	\$72,575
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	19.2%	13.3%	44.4%	28.7%	10.1%	1.3%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.0%	6.0%	90.2%	9.8%	95.7%	4.3%
Private	69.1%	30.9%	---	---	75.4%	24.6%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	89.8%	10.2%	76.7%	23.3%	91.9%	8.1%
Black, non-Hispanic	90.9%	9.1%	89.4%	10.6%	93.9%	6.1%
Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	92.8%	7.2%	89.2%	10.8%	98.9%	1.1%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	231,500	34.9%	86,000	43.9%	---	---
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	198,700	85.8%	73,000	84.9%	---	---
Satisfied with public elementary school	178,400	89.8%	66,300	90.9%	---	---
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	20,300	10.2%	6,700	9.1%	---	---
So dissatisfied they want to move	6,700	3.3%	3,700	5.0%	---	---
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		32.8%		54.8%	---	---
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	166,600	95.3%	66,800	96.8%	---	---
Attend public school*	141,600	85.0%	63,400	95.0%	---	---
Attend private school*	29,400	17.6%	4,500	6.7%	---	---
Attend other school*	3,700	2.2%	1,100	1.7%	---	---
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	228,500	98.7%	84,800	98.6%	---	---
Find crime bothersome	45,700	20.0%	36,000	42.5%	---	---
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	18,300	8.0%	24,800	29.2%	---	---
Proportion of bothered who want to move		40.2%		68.9%	---	---
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	38,800	16.7%	14,200	16.5%	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	1,300	3.6%	400	3.4%	---	---
Close to job	3,700	10.4%	900	7.1%	---	---
Close to family/friends	4,100	11.5%	1,800	14.0%	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	11,500	31.9%	4,700	36.0%	---	---
Other reason	11,100	31.0%	4,600	34.8%	---	---
All reasons important	4,100	11.5%	600	4.6%	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	91.7%	---	99.0%	---	---	---
Private	11.0%	---	3.5%	---	---	---
Other	2.5%	---	0.5%	---	---	---
	100%*	---	100%*	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$55,871	\$69,004	\$26,611	---	---	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	11.8%	3.8%	37.9%	---	---	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	95.2%	4.8%	92.3%	7.7%	---	---
Private	69.8%	30.2%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	96.5%	3.5%	89.2%	10.8%	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area.

--- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1991.

Birmingham, AL Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Birmingham city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	136,800	38.2%	36,400	38.5%	100,400	38.1%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	124,500	91.0%	31,100	85.5%	93,300	93.0%
Satisfied with public elementary school	109,500	88.0%	26,400	84.8%	83,100	89.1%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	14,900	12.0%	4,700	15.2%	10,200	10.9%
So dissatisfied they want to move	7,500	6.0%	2,200	7.0%	5,300	5.7%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		50.3%		46.0%		52.3%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	105,700	96.8%	26,600	96.1%	79,100	97.1%
Attend public school*	97,300	92.1%	24,300	91.3%	73,000	92.3%
Attend private school*	8,800	8.4%	2,300	8.6%	6,600	8.3%
Attend other school*	1,400	1.3%	400	1.4%	1,000	1.3%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	136,300	99.6%	36,100	99.2%	100,100	99.8%
Find crime bothersome	21,100	15.5%	9,400	26.0%	11,700	11.7%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	10,200	7.5%	5,500	15.4%	4,600	4.6%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		48.1%		59.0%		39.4%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	31,300	22.9%	8,800	24.3%	22,500	22.4%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	3,500	11.6%	100	1.0%	3,400	15.9%
Close to job	2,900	9.7%	900	10.6%	2,000	9.3%
Close to family/friends	4,700	15.7%	1,200	13.9%	3,500	16.4%
House or appearance of neighborhood	8,500	28.2%	2,800	32.1%	5,700	26.6%
Other reason	8,600	28.6%	3,200	37.2%	5,400	25.1%
All reasons important	1,900	6.3%	400	5.1%	1,500	6.8%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.8%	71.3%	95.3%	---	94.7%	70.2%
Private	5.7%	29.6%	4.4%	---	6.1%	31.1%
Other	1.6%	2.4%	1.8%	---	1.5%	3.5%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	64.6%	74.6%	13.6%	47.3%	80.8%	87.3%
Black, non-Hispanic	33.5%	22.8%	85.8%	51.5%	16.9%	9.5%
Hispanic	1.3%	1.4%	0.7%	0.0%	1.4%	2.0%
Other, non-Hispanic	0.7%	1.2%	0.0%	1.3%	0.9%	1.2%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$31,313	\$33,438	\$18,900	\$21,807	\$36,904	\$33,550
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	31.2%	35.3%	50.8%	46.8%	25.0%	30.0%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.6%	7.4%	90.6%	9.4%	93.2%	6.8%
Private	64.2%	35.8%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	86.4%	13.6%	61.5%	38.5%	88.3%	11.7%
Black, non-Hispanic	91.5%	8.5%	90.3%	9.7%	93.6%	6.4%
Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	86.6%	13.4%	85.8%	14.2%	87.1%	12.9%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	88,900	34.2%	45,100	49.0%	---	---
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	81,900	92.1%	40,100	88.9%	---	---
Satisfied with public elementary school	70,700	86.4%	36,700	91.5%	---	---
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	11,100	13.6%	3,400	8.5%	---	---
So dissatisfied they want to move	5,900	7.2%	1,300	3.1%	---	---
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		52.7%		36.8%	---	---
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	68,700	96.7%	35,300	97.2%	---	---
Attend public school*	62,500	91.0%	33,700	95.2%	---	---
Attend private school*	6,800	9.9%	1,600	4.4%	---	---
Attend other school*	800	1.2%	600	1.6%	---	---
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	88,600	99.7%	44,900	99.5%	---	---
Find crime bothersome	10,200	11.5%	10,600	23.7%	---	---
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	3,600	4.0%	6,300	14.1%	---	---
Proportion of bothered who want to move		35.1%		59.5%	---	---
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	19,100	21.5%	11,300	25.0%	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	3,100	16.8%	500	4.1%	---	---
Close to job	1,800	9.7%	1,000	8.8%	---	---
Close to family/friends	2,400	13.3%	2,100	19.0%	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	5,200	28.4%	3,100	28.2%	---	---
Other reason	4,600	25.4%	3,700	33.3%	---	---
All reasons important	1,200	6.4%	700	6.6%	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.0%	66.2%	96.7%	---	---	---
Private	6.9%	35.1%	3.1%	---	---	---
Other	1.4%	3.4%	2.0%	---	---	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$41,378	\$35,507	\$17,893	---	---	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	19.2%	26.6%	54.8%	---	---	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.3%	7.7%	92.9%	7.1%	---	---
Private	62.1%	37.9%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	82.0%	18.0%	89.7%	10.3%	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1992.

Boston-Lawrence-Lowell, MA-NH Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Boston city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	505,400	33.0%	58,900	27.0%	446,500	34.0%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	443,600	87.8%	46,600	79.1%	397,000	88.9%
Satisfied with public elementary school	397,900	89.7%	37,500	80.5%	360,300	90.8%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	45,700	10.3%	9,100	19.5%	36,600	9.2%
So dissatisfied they want to move	16,900	3.8%	4,100	8.7%	12,800	3.2%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		36.9%		44.9%		34.9%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	357,300	99.0%	39,000	100.0%	318,300	98.9%
Attend public school*	313,700	87.8%	27,700	71.1%	286,000	89.8%
Attend private school*	55,800	15.6%	11,300	28.9%	44,500	14.0%
Attend other school*	7,900	2.2%	800	2.0%	7,100	2.2%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	504,200	99.8%	58,500	99.4%	445,700	99.8%
Find crime bothersome	82,100	16.3%	18,900	32.2%	63,300	14.2%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	37,700	7.5%	10,600	18.1%	27,100	6.1%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		45.9%		56.2%		42.8%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	83,200	16.5%	---	---	72,100	16.1%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	5,300	6.5%	---	---	5,300	7.4%
Close to job	5,900	7.2%	---	---	4,700	6.5%
Close to family/friends	8,400	10.3%	---	---	7,700	10.8%
House or appearance of neighborhood	26,600	32.7%	---	---	23,900	33.5%
Other reason	24,100	29.7%	---	---	20,900	29.3%
All reasons important	11,000	13.6%	---	---	8,900	12.5%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	95.3%	41.0%	88.0%	---	96.0%	51.0%
Private	8.8%	60.7%	13.6%	---	8.3%	51.3%
Other	2.4%	1.3%	1.6%	---	2.4%	1.8%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	82.9%	82.3%	31.1%	---	88.3%	90.9%
Black, non-Hispanic	6.8%	7.7%	43.2%	---	3.0%	1.9%
Hispanic	5.9%	5.7%	17.7%	---	4.7%	2.8%
Other, non-Hispanic	4.4%	4.4%	7.9%	---	4.1%	4.4%
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$54,291	\$61,023	\$21,716	---	\$56,462	\$62,977
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	16.6%	12.9%	45.4%	---	13.6%	11.0%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	95.8%	4.2%	96.6%	3.4%	95.7%	4.3%
Private	58.4%	41.6%	---	---	65.4%	34.6%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	89.8%	10.2%	---	---	90.5%	9.5%
Black, non-Hispanic	88.4%	11.6%	85.3%	14.7%	---	---
Hispanic	90.1%	9.9%	---	---	94.3%	5.7%
Other, non-Hispanic	89.8%	10.2%	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	91.8%	8.2%	90.1%	9.9%	92.4%	7.6%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	413,800	30.5%	36,500	48.8%	32,000	62.5%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	367,400	88.8%	30,400	83.1%	26,200	81.8%
Satisfied with public elementary school	329,800	89.8%	26,900	88.4%	23,600	90.1%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	37,600	10.2%	3,500	11.6%	2,600	9.9%
So dissatisfied they want to move	13,800	3.8%	1,100	3.7%	700	2.6%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		36.7%		32.0%		25.8%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	293,400	98.9%	25,600	100.0%	21,500	98.3%
Attend public school*	257,500	87.8%	21,700	84.7%	19,300	89.6%
Attend private school*	47,700	16.3%	3,800	15.0%	1,900	8.6%
Attend other school*	6,800	2.3%	400	1.6%	700	3.5%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	413,500	99.9%	36,200	99.0%	31,600	98.6%
Find crime bothersome	58,500	14.1%	15,000	41.5%	6,200	19.8%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	24,100	5.8%	8,600	23.8%	3,800	12.1%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		41.2%		57.4%		61.1%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	56,200	13.6%	--	--	--	--
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	4,200	7.7%	--	--	--	--
Close to job	4,800	8.6%	--	--	--	--
Close to family/friends	5,200	9.4%	--	--	--	--
House or appearance of neighborhood	20,100	36.4%	--	--	--	--
Other reason	14,000	25.4%	--	--	--	--
All reasons important	6,900	12.5%	--	--	--	--

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	95.3%	40.6%	92.1%	--	100.0%	--
Private	9.1%	61.5%	7.6%	--	2.3%	--
Other	2.7%	1.6%	2.0%	--	0.0%	--
	100%*	100%*	100%*	--	100%*	--
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$59,720	\$64,649	\$27,145	--	\$13,030	--
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	10.4%	8.0%	39.3%	--	64.2%	--

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	95.7%	4.3%	97.7%	2.3%	95.9%	4.1%
Private	58.5%	41.5%	--	--	--	--
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	91.9%	8.1%	--	--	89.9%	10.1%

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area.

-- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1993.

Buffalo, NY Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Buffalo city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	117,300	31.4%	37,400	28.7%	79,900	32.9%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	104,500	89.0%	31,900	85.4%	72,500	90.7%
Satisfied with public elementary school	95,400	91.4%	25,900	81.1%	69,500	95.9%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	9,000	8.6%	6,000	18.9%	3,000	4.1%
So dissatisfied they want to move	5,000	4.8%	4,100	12.7%	1,000	1.3%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		55.8%		67.3%		32.5%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	88,500	98.9%	28,500	100.0%	59,900	98.5%
Attend public school*	75,300	85.1%	22,600	79.3%	52,600	87.8%
Attend private school*	14,500	16.4%	6,100	21.5%	8,400	14.0%
Attend other school*	2,000	2.3%	900	3.2%	1,100	1.9%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	117,200	99.9%	37,400	100.0%	79,800	99.8%
Find crime bothersome	22,700	19.4%	14,700	39.4%	8,000	10.0%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	11,300	9.7%	9,000	24.1%	2,300	2.9%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		49.8%		61.1%		29.0%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	22,400	19.1%	10,000	26.9%	12,400	15.5%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	2,000	8.9%	0	0.0%	2,000	16.1%
Close to job	1,300	5.8%	400	4.5%	900	6.9%
Close to family/friends	4,600	20.4%	2,300	23.3%	2,200	17.9%
House or appearance of neighborhood	9,300	41.4%	4,400	43.6%	4,900	39.6%
Other reason	2,400	10.7%	1,200	12.1%	1,200	9.5%
All reasons important	2,900	12.8%	1,700	16.4%	1,200	9.9%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	88.4%	---	89.4%	---	88.0%	---
Private	13.6%	---	12.8%	---	14.0%	---
Other	2.4%	---	2.4%	---	2.4%	---
	100%*	---	100%*	---	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	81.9%	84.1%	45.3%	---	95.6%	---
Black, non-Hispanic	13.3%	12.7%	45.9%	---	1.1%	---
Hispanic	2.4%	3.3%	6.5%	---	0.9%	---
Other, non-Hispanic	2.4%	0.0%	2.3%	---	2.4%	---
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$41,078	\$26,467	\$20,734	---	\$47,642	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	21.9%	32.0%	47.9%	---	12.3%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.8%	5.2%	90.7%	9.3%	96.8%	3.2%
Private	76.3%	23.7%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	91.2%	8.8%	71.9%	28.1%	95.7%	4.3%
Black, non-Hispanic	91.7%	8.3%	91.2%	8.8%	---	---
Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	87.9%	12.1%	82.4%	17.6%	97.3%	2.7%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	96,200	30.2%	15,700	36.9%	---	---
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	85,800	89.2%	13,800	88.0%	---	---
Satisfied with public elementary school	78,200	91.2%	12,700	91.7%	---	---
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	7,600	8.8%	1,100	8.3%	---	---
So dissatisfied they want to move	3,900	4.5%	800	6.1%	---	---
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		51.3%		74.0%		---
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	71,700	98.7%	12,400	100.0%	---	---
Attend public school*	59,700	83.3%	11,500	92.3%	---	---
Attend private school*	13,700	19.0%	800	6.2%	---	---
Attend other school*	1,300	1.8%	300	2.5%	---	---
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	96,000	99.9%	15,700	100.0%	---	---
Find crime bothersome	16,300	17.0%	5,000	31.7%	---	---
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	7,000	7.3%	3,300	21.2%	---	---
Proportion of bothered who want to move		43.1%		66.7%		---
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	16,000	16.6%	---	---	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	1,700	10.6%	---	---	---	---
Close to job	1,300	8.1%	---	---	---	---
Close to family/friends	2,800	17.6%	---	---	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	6,000	37.3%	---	---	---	---
Other reason	1,900	11.6%	---	---	---	---
All reasons important	2,300	14.7%	---	---	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	86.8%	---	96.7%	---	---	---
Private	16.5%	---	1.2%	---	---	---
Other	1.5%	---	3.6%	---	---	---
	100%*	---	100%*	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$45,524	\$37,055	\$12,704	---	---	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	13.6%	24.8%	63.2%	---	---	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	95.3%	4.7%	93.0%	7.0%	---	---
Private	76.6%	23.4%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	85.0%	15.0%	90.0%	10.0%	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U. *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1994.



Chicago, IL Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Chicago city		Suburbs**	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	783,500	36.5%	344,400	33.5%	439,000	39.1%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	657,800	84.0%	272,500	79.1%	385,300	87.8%
Satisfied with public elementary school	568,600	86.4%	208,200	76.4%	360,500	93.6%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	89,200	13.6%	64,400	23.6%	24,800	6.4%
So dissatisfied they want to move	39,000	5.9%	27,000	9.9%	12,000	3.1%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		43.7%		41.9%		48.3%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	571,800	98.8%	239,100	98.6%	332,700	98.9%
Attend public school*	485,600	84.9%	193,700	81.0%	291,900	87.7%
Attend private school*	95,500	16.7%	48,300	20.2%	47,200	14.2%
Attend other school*	8,000	1.4%	3,800	1.6%	4,200	1.3%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	776,300	99.1%	340,500	98.8%	435,800	99.3%
Find crime bothersome	214,400	27.6%	157,100	46.1%	57,300	13.2%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	114,000	14.7%	87,700	25.8%	26,200	6.0%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		53.1%		55.8%		45.8%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	139,700	17.8%	73,200	21.2%	66,500	15.1%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	19,700	14.8%	8,800	12.8%	10,900	17.0%
Close to job	12,100	9.1%	4,400	6.4%	7,700	12.0%
Close to family/friends	25,200	19.0%	15,300	22.3%	9,900	15.4%
House or appearance of neighborhood	27,900	21.0%	14,100	20.5%	13,900	21.5%
Other reason	36,900	27.8%	18,600	27.2%	18,300	28.4%
All reasons important	11,000	8.3%	7,300	10.7%	3,700	5.8%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.2%	43.0%	93.7%	---	92.9%	---
Private	8.9%	56.9%	9.0%	---	8.9%	---
Other	1.8%	2.0%	1.8%	---	1.7%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	57.0%	48.6%	19.8%	42.2%	78.5%	---
Black, non-Hispanic	24.6%	32.9%	49.1%	38.0%	10.4%	---
Hispanic	14.3%	9.6%	26.9%	12.1%	7.0%	---
Other, non-Hispanic	4.1%	8.9%	4.2%	7.7%	4.0%	---
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$45,814	\$42,828	\$24,179	\$36,033	\$56,624	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	28.4%	21.5%	53.4%	29.9%	14.0%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.2%	5.8%	88.2%	11.8%	98.2%	1.8%
Private	54.0%	46.0%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	88.2%	11.8%	60.3%	39.7%	94.6%	5.4%
Black, non-Hispanic	82.6%	17.4%	80.7%	19.3%	---	---
Hispanic	90.5%	9.5%	87.8%	12.2%	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	89.4%	10.6%	85.3%	14.7%	100.0%	0.0%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	432,600	30.6%	205,100	46.6%	108,100	57.6%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	367,500	85.0%	169,100	82.4%	89,900	83.2%
Satisfied with public elementary school	324,200	88.2%	139,800	82.6%	81,400	90.5%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	43,400	11.8%	29,400	17.4%	8,500	9.5%
So dissatisfied they want to move	19,100	5.2%	14,200	8.4%	2,700	3.0%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		44.1%		48.5%		31.6%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	315,800	98.4%	150,200	99.3%	75,600	98.9%
Attend public school*	265,000	83.9%	133,800	89.1%	62,600	82.9%
Attend private school*	56,200	17.8%	19,600	13.1%	13,700	18.1%
Attend other school*	5,200	1.7%	1,500	1.0%	1,200	1.6%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	430,600	99.5%	200,000	97.5%	108,100	100.0%
Find crime bothersome	81,600	19.0%	95,500	47.8%	34,200	31.6%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	37,400	8.7%	53,600	26.8%	21,800	20.2%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		45.9%		56.1%		63.8%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	61,800	14.3%	---	---	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	9,300	15.9%	---	---	---	---
Close to job	4,500	7.7%	---	---	---	---
Close to family/friends	11,500	19.8%	---	---	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	14,800	25.4%	---	---	---	---
Other reason	14,800	25.4%	---	---	---	---
All reasons important	3,400	5.9%	---	---	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.6%	---	97.0%	---	90.3%	---
Private	9.9%	---	5.2%	---	10.9%	---
Other	1.9%	---	1.5%	---	2.1%	---
	100%*	---	100%*	---	100%*	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$56,907	---	\$20,677	---	\$29,856	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	13.7%	---	54.6%	---	41.7%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	97.2%	2.8%	90.1%	9.9%	94.6%	5.4%
Private	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	93.4%	6.6%	87.4%	12.6%	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area.

--- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

**For confidentiality reasons, the suburb data only includes households in urbanized areas; "other urban" and "rural" areas are excluded.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1995.

Cincinnati, OH-KY-IN Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Cincinnati city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	203,000	36.9%	44,700	30.8%	158,300	39.1%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	176,600	87.0%	37,800	84.5%	138,800	87.7%
Satisfied with public elementary school	156,200	88.4%	27,900	73.8%	128,300	92.4%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	20,400	11.6%	9,900	26.2%	10,500	7.6%
So dissatisfied they want to move	9,000	5.1%	5,200	13.7%	3,800	2.8%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		44.1%		52.3%		36.4%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	148,300	94.8%	30,900	95.5%	117,400	94.7%
Attend public school*	125,400	84.6%	25,000	80.7%	100,400	85.6%
Attend private school*	27,700	18.7%	7,000	22.5%	20,800	17.7%
Attend other school*	2,500	1.7%	500	1.7%	2,000	1.7%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	202,200	99.6%	44,400	99.3%	157,800	99.7%
Find crime bothersome	28,100	13.9%	11,500	25.9%	16,600	10.6%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	15,000	7.4%	7,500	16.9%	7,400	4.7%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		53.1%		65.4%		44.6%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	40,200	19.8%	13,200	29.5%	27,000	17.1%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	4,900	12.6%	800	6.8%	4,000	15.3%
Close to job	3,400	8.8%	1,100	9.2%	2,300	8.6%
Close to family/friends	3,200	8.2%	1,800	14.9%	1,300	5.0%
House or appearance of neighborhood	10,400	27.0%	3,000	24.4%	7,400	28.2%
Other reason	11,600	30.1%	4,300	34.6%	7,400	28.0%
All reasons important	5,200	13.3%	1,200	10.1%	3,900	14.8%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	89.4%	54.2%	92.7%	58.5%	88.7%	50.1%
Private	13.4%	51.9%	7.9%	46.7%	14.5%	56.9%
Other	1.9%	1.1%	1.8%	0.0%	1.9%	2.1%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	83.9%	81.8%	42.0%	71.2%	93.0%	91.8%
Black, non-Hispanic	14.3%	17.3%	56.9%	28.8%	5.1%	6.6%
Hispanic	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.7%	0.0%
Other, non-Hispanic	1.2%	0.8%	1.2%	0.0%	1.2%	1.6%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$43,491	\$36,014	\$24,009	\$25,450	\$48,018	\$40,657
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	19.0%	34.4%	44.5%	45.0%	13.5%	24.5%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.9%	7.1%	81.9%	18.1%	95.7%	4.3%
Private	67.0%	33.0%	---	---	76.3%	23.7%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	88.7%	11.3%	62.3%	37.7%	92.5%	7.5%
Black, non-Hispanic	86.3%	13.7%	84.7%	15.3%	90.5%	9.5%
Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	80.9%	19.1%	73.6%	26.4%	87.0%	13.0%

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	168,700	35.6%	30,300	45.3%	---	---
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	147,800	87.6%	25,900	85.5%	---	---
Satisfied with public elementary school	131,100	88.7%	22,400	86.3%	---	---
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	16,700	11.3%	3,500	13.7%	---	---
So dissatisfied they want to move	7,400	5.0%	1,600	6.2%	---	---
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		44.3%		45.2%		---
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	122,800	94.5%	22,100	96.1%	---	---
Attend public school*	102,400	83.4%	20,100	91.2%	---	---
Attend private school*	24,500	19.9%	2,500	11.3%	---	---
Attend other school*	2,300	1.9%	200	0.7%	---	---
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	167,800	99.5%	30,300	100.0%	---	---
Find crime bothersome	20,800	12.4%	7,000	23.0%	---	---
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	9,600	5.7%	5,200	17.2%	---	---
Proportion of bothered who want to move		46.3%		74.7%		---
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	30,400	18.0%	8,900	29.5%	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	3,800	13.0%	900	11.0%	---	---
Close to job	2,400	8.1%	900	10.5%	---	---
Close to family/friends	2,500	8.5%	700	7.8%	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	7,700	26.2%	2,500	29.2%	---	---
Other reason	8,400	28.4%	3,100	35.7%	---	---
All reasons important	4,700	15.8%	500	5.7%	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	87.1%	50.0%	100.0%	---	---	---
Private	15.5%	57.8%	2.5%	---	---	---
Other	2.1%	1.4%	1.0%	---	---	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$47,967	\$38,415	\$20,141	---	---	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	13.2%	30.6%	52.2%	---	---	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.5%	6.5%	89.9%	10.1%	---	---
Private	69.0%	31.0%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	77.2%	22.8%	87.0%	13.0%	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U. *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1990.



Cleveland, OH Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Cleveland city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	241,700	31.3%	61,400	32.1%	180,400	31.0%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	215,400	89.1%	52,100	84.9%	163,300	90.6%
Satisfied with public elementary school	182,700	84.8%	34,300	65.8%	148,400	90.9%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	32,700	15.2%	17,800	34.2%	14,900	9.1%
So dissatisfied they want to move	17,800	8.3%	12,200	23.4%	5,600	3.4%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		54.3%		68.3%		37.6%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	182,100	98.1%	41,800	96.4%	140,300	98.7%
Attend public school*	146,000	80.2%	30,800	73.6%	115,300	82.1%
Attend private school*	40,000	22.0%	11,800	28.2%	28,200	20.1%
Attend other school*	3,100	1.7%	1,000	2.3%	2,100	1.5%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	241,700	100.0%	61,400	100.0%	180,400	100.0%
Find crime bothersome	48,100	19.9%	25,300	41.2%	22,800	12.6%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	28,300	11.7%	17,700	28.8%	10,600	5.9%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		58.8%		70.0%		46.4%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	36,800	15.2%	12,800	20.9%	23,900	13.3%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	3,500	10.1%	200	1.5%	3,400	14.6%
Close to job	2,500	7.3%	800	6.6%	1,700	7.6%
Close to family/friends	5,900	16.9%	3,500	28.4%	2,500	10.8%
House or appearance of neighborhood	9,000	25.6%	2,500	20.6%	6,500	28.3%
Other reason	10,000	28.3%	4,300	35.0%	5,700	24.8%
All reasons important	4,200	11.8%	1,000	8.0%	3,200	13.9%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	85.9%	42.1%	89.0%	43.7%	85.2%	40.3%
Private	17.1%	56.0%	15.3%	54.5%	17.5%	57.7%
Other	1.1%	7.4%	0.0%	8.8%	1.3%	5.7%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	74.5%	74.9%	26.6%	61.8%	85.5%	90.6%
Black, non-Hispanic	20.9%	21.5%	62.1%	32.7%	11.4%	8.0%
Hispanic	2.8%	2.4%	9.1%	4.4%	1.3%	0.0%
Other, non-Hispanic	1.9%	1.2%	2.2%	1.1%	1.8%	1.4%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$45,500	\$38,335	\$21,295	\$30,000	\$51,000	\$52,000
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	20.4%	25.9%	55.8%	39.0%	12.3%	10.3%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.3%	7.7%	80.6%	19.4%	95.5%	4.5%
Private	64.1%	35.9%	36.4%	63.6%	75.3%	24.7%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	84.7%	15.3%	45.3%	54.7%	90.4%	9.6%
Black, non-Hispanic	84.4%	15.6%	78.5%	21.5%	93.4%	6.6%
Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	81.5%	18.5%	73.3%	26.7%	92.3%	7.7%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	179,400	29.2%	51,100	38.3%	---	---
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	160,600	89.5%	45,200	88.3%	---	---
Satisfied with public elementary school	136,100	84.7%	38,100	84.4%	---	---
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	24,500	15.3%	7,000	15.6%	---	---
So dissatisfied they want to move	13,300	8.3%	3,700	8.2%	---	---
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		54.3%		52.5%		---
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	136,100	98.2%	37,600	97.5%	---	---
Attend public school*	105,200	77.3%	34,200	90.8%	---	---
Attend private school*	33,900	24.9%	4,300	11.3%	---	---
Attend other school*	2,300	1.7%	800	2.0%	---	---
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	179,400	100.0%	51,100	100.0%	---	---
Find crime bothersome	27,600	15.4%	18,100	35.5%	---	---
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	13,200	7.4%	13,700	26.8%	---	---
Proportion of bothered who want to move		47.9%		75.6%		---
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	23,200	13.0%	11,000	21.6%	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	2,700	12.1%	600	6.0%	---	---
Close to job	1,300	6.0%	1,000	9.8%	---	---
Close to family/friends	3,100	13.8%	1,900	18.8%	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	5,200	23.4%	3,000	29.0%	---	---
Other reason	6,800	30.5%	3,100	30.5%	---	---
All reasons important	3,200	14.2%	600	5.9%	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	83.3%	34.5%	94.8%	---	---	---
Private	19.5%	64.3%	9.0%	---	---	---
Other	1.2%	6.3%	0.7%	---	---	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$52,000	\$46,000	\$24,998	---	---	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	11.3%	17.9%	48.5%	---	---	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.4%	6.6%	88.1%	11.9%	---	---
Private	63.9%	36.1%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	77.8%	22.2%	83.3%	16.7%	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area.

--- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1996.

Columbus, OH Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Columbus city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	196,700	35.4%	82,600	30.9%	114,000	39.5%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	171,900	87.4%	66,300	80.3%	105,600	92.6%
Satisfied with public elementary school	154,000	89.6%	55,300	83.4%	98,700	93.5%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	17,900	10.4%	11,000	16.6%	6,900	6.5%
So dissatisfied they want to move	8,400	4.9%	6,200	9.3%	2,200	2.1%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		47.0%		56.2%		32.2%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	144,700	98.0%	55,800	97.5%	88,900	98.3%
Attend public school*	129,200	89.3%	47,700	85.6%	81,400	91.6%
Attend private school*	14,800	10.2%	7,100	12.8%	7,600	8.6%
Attend other school*	3,500	2.4%	1,800	3.3%	1,700	1.9%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	195,100	99.2%	81,900	99.1%	113,300	99.3%
Find crime bothersome	43,000	22.0%	27,100	33.1%	15,900	14.0%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	21,500	11.0%	14,200	17.3%	7,300	6.4%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		50.0%		52.4%		46.0%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	45,100	22.9%	24,000	29.0%	21,100	18.5%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	5,500	12.6%	2,400	10.2%	3,100	15.4%
Close to job	4,900	11.2%	2,700	11.3%	2,300	11.1%
Close to family/friends	4,900	11.1%	3,000	12.7%	1,900	9.3%
House or appearance of neighborhood	11,600	26.3%	5,200	21.9%	6,400	31.5%
Other reason	13,700	31.2%	9,000	37.9%	4,800	23.4%
All reasons important	3,300	7.6%	1,400	6.1%	1,900	9.3%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.8%	67.5%	90.6%	---	94.1%	---
Private	6.8%	32.6%	7.3%	---	6.5%	---
Other	2.5%	3.2%	3.3%	---	2.0%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	83.8%	79.0%	61.8%	68.8%	96.1%	95.4%
Black, non-Hispanic	13.1%	18.3%	32.5%	28.4%	2.2%	2.2%
Hispanic	1.3%	0.0%	2.6%	0.0%	0.6%	0.0%
Other, non-Hispanic	1.8%	2.6%	3.1%	2.8%	1.0%	2.3%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$46,483	\$46,375	\$39,122	\$41,150	\$51,476	\$57,859
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	15.3%	15.3%	26.9%	19.4%	8.9%	8.8%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.6%	6.4%	90.0%	10.0%	95.7%	4.3%
Private	68.9%	31.1%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	90.1%	9.9%	81.9%	18.1%	93.5%	6.5%
Black, non-Hispanic	86.0%	14.0%	85.2%	14.8%	---	---
Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	89.6%	10.4%	87.4%	12.6%	93.5%	6.5%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	160,700	33.8%	29,600	45.9%	---	---
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	143,200	89.1%	23,500	79.3%	---	---
Satisfied with public elementary school	129,100	90.1%	20,200	86.0%	---	---
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	14,100	9.9%	3,300	14.0%	---	---
So dissatisfied they want to move	6,600	4.6%	1,600	6.9%	---	---
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		46.9%		49.2%		---
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	118,400	97.9%	21,800	98.4%	---	---
Attend public school*	105,500	89.1%	19,900	91.3%	---	---
Attend private school*	12,700	10.7%	1,600	7.3%	---	---
Attend other school*	2,900	2.5%	500	2.2%	---	---
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	159,500	99.2%	29,300	98.9%	---	---
Find crime bothersome	32,900	20.6%	9,500	32.4%	---	---
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	15,800	9.9%	5,200	17.6%	---	---
Proportion of bothered who want to move		48.2%		54.4%		---
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	33,900	21.1%	8,900	30.1%	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	4,700	14.3%	500	5.7%	---	---
Close to job	3,200	9.8%	1,200	14.0%	---	---
Close to family/friends	4,100	12.5%	600	7.0%	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	9,300	28.2%	1,900	22.2%	---	---
Other reason	9,200	28.0%	3,700	41.8%	---	---
All reasons important	2,400	7.1%	800	9.3%	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.2%	59.1%	90.1%	---	---	---
Private	6.9%	43.2%	6.6%	---	---	---
Other	2.4%	2.3%	3.3%	---	---	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$49,417	\$49,211	\$26,799	---	---	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	11.6%	12.6%	36.5%	---	---	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	95.1%	4.9%	85.0%	15.0%	---	---
Private	66.2%	33.8%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	89.4%	10.6%	88.4%	11.6%	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U. *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1995.

Dallas, TX Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Dallas city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	411,000	39.5%	135,600	34.3%	275,500	42.7%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	357,000	86.9%	113,100	83.4%	243,900	88.5%
Satisfied with public elementary school	312,800	87.6%	94,600	83.6%	218,200	89.5%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	44,200	12.4%	18,500	16.4%	25,700	10.5%
So dissatisfied they want to move	19,900	5.6%	10,100	8.9%	9,800	4.0%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		45.0%		54.3%		38.3%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	295,100	98.7%	91,900	97.9%	203,200	99.0%
Attend public school*	264,200	89.5%	78,800	85.7%	185,400	91.3%
Attend private school*	36,700	12.5%	16,800	18.3%	19,900	9.8%
Attend other school*	2,900	1.0%	200	0.3%	2,600	1.3%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	406,100	98.8%	134,300	99.1%	271,700	98.6%
Find crime bothersome	95,700	23.6%	47,600	35.4%	48,100	17.7%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	42,600	10.5%	26,700	19.9%	15,800	5.8%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		44.5%		56.2%		32.9%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	119,100	29.0%	45,000	33.2%	74,100	26.9%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	13,800	12.0%	3,000	6.9%	10,700	15.3%
Close to job	15,100	13.2%	8,800	19.9%	6,300	9.0%
Close to family/friends	17,900	15.7%	8,000	18.1%	9,900	14.1%
House or appearance of neighborhood	33,500	29.3%	9,800	22.2%	23,700	33.8%
Other reason	22,100	19.3%	8,900	20.1%	13,200	18.8%
All reasons important	12,000	10.5%	5,600	12.7%	6,400	9.1%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	95.2%	53.4%	95.8%	---	94.9%	---
Private	7.1%	47.3%	7.9%	---	6.7%	---
Other	0.3%	3.7%	0.0%	---	0.4%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	59.3%	79.6%	28.8%	65.4%	72.5%	89.9%
Black, non-Hispanic	17.9%	10.0%	37.8%	17.4%	9.3%	4.7%
Hispanic	19.0%	7.4%	29.9%	14.6%	14.3%	2.2%
Other, non-Hispanic	3.8%	3.0%	3.5%	2.6%	3.9%	3.2%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$43,407	\$49,547	\$26,465	\$48,059	\$53,412	\$50,818
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	20.9%	13.6%	38.3%	16.8%	13.3%	11.3%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.9%	7.1%	90.9%	9.1%	93.8%	6.2%
Private	52.4%	47.6%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	84.0%	16.0%	69.2%	30.8%	87.2%	12.8%
Black, non-Hispanic	92.7%	7.3%	91.7%	8.3%	94.4%	5.6%
Hispanic	94.8%	5.2%	91.3%	8.7%	98.3%	1.8%
Other, non-Hispanic	90.1%	9.9%	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	91.5%	8.5%	92.1%	7.9%	90.9%	9.1%

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	249,500	33.8%	68,500	46.0%	76,000	63.6%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	220,700	88.5%	60,400	88.2%	62,700	82.4%
Satisfied with public elementary school	185,500	84.0%	56,000	92.7%	59,400	94.8%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	35,200	16.0%	4,400	7.3%	3,300	5.2%
So dissatisfied they want to move	16,500	7.5%	1,800	3.0%	1,100	1.7%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		46.9%		40.6%		33.5%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	180,000	98.4%	54,200	99.4%	50,600	99.1%
Attend public school*	155,700	86.5%	50,900	94.0%	47,900	94.6%
Attend private school*	29,100	16.1%	4,000	7.4%	2,700	5.4%
Attend other school*	2,000	1.1%	300	0.5%	300	0.5%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	246,000	98.6%	68,200	99.6%	75,300	99.0%
Find crime bothersome	65,000	26.4%	15,000	21.9%	13,800	18.4%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	25,300	10.3%	9,200	13.5%	7,100	9.4%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		38.9%		61.5%		51.1%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	63,600	25.5%	21,900	32.0%	28,800	37.8%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	8,800	14.4%	900	4.3%	2,800	10.0%
Close to job	5,100	8.4%	3,700	17.7%	6,000	21.6%
Close to family/friends	5,500	9.0%	5,300	25.0%	6,800	24.4%
House or appearance of neighborhood	20,400	33.6%	5,100	24.3%	6,700	23.9%
Other reason	13,600	22.4%	3,900	18.3%	3,600	12.7%
All reasons important	7,400	12.2%	2,200	10.4%	2,100	7.4%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.0%	50.6%	97.7%	---	98.4%	---
Private	10.1%	50.2%	3.8%	---	1.6%	---
Other	0.2%	3.0%	0.0%	---	0.7%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$57,911	\$64,475	\$23,922	---	\$26,203	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	8.3%	7.0%	35.1%	---	46.4%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	91.3%	8.7%	93.6%	6.4%	97.1%	2.9%
Private	53.3%	46.7%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	86.3%	13.7%	92.2%	7.8%	95.0%	5.0%

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area.

--- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1994.

Denver, CO Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Denver city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	248,500	34.2%	55,500	24.4%	193,000	38.7%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	207,400	83.5%	43,700	78.8%	163,700	84.8%
Satisfied with public elementary school	184,000	88.8%	34,700	79.4%	149,300	91.2%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	23,300	11.2%	9,000	20.6%	14,300	8.8%
So dissatisfied they want to move	10,300	5.0%	5,300	12.1%	5,000	3.0%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		44.1%		59.0%		34.8%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	178,400	97.9%	39,300	96.1%	139,100	98.4%
Attend public school*	163,300	91.5%	34,700	88.4%	128,600	92.4%
Attend private school*	17,900	10.0%	6,100	15.6%	11,800	8.4%
Attend other school*	2,200	1.3%	200	0.5%	2,100	1.5%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	247,300	99.5%	55,300	99.6%	192,000	99.5%
Find crime bothersome	48,100	19.5%	19,200	34.7%	29,000	15.1%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	20,100	8.1%	8,800	16.0%	11,200	5.8%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		41.7%		46.0%		38.8%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	56,400	22.7%	14,100	25.3%	42,400	22.0%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	6,300	11.6%	800	5.6%	5,500	13.6%
Close to job	6,100	11.2%	1,500	11.3%	4,500	11.2%
Close to family/friends	3,900	7.2%	1,200	8.5%	2,700	6.7%
House or appearance of neighborhood	13,700	25.3%	3,700	27.1%	10,000	24.7%
Other reason	15,100	27.8%	5,100	37.5%	9,900	24.6%
All reasons important	9,100	16.8%	1,400	10.1%	7,700	19.1%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	95.6%	77.0%	93.9%	---	96.0%	80.4%
Private	5.9%	24.1%	9.9%	---	4.9%	19.5%
Other	1.3%	1.2%	0.7%	---	1.4%	2.0%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	75.5%	76.7%	34.4%	54.6%	85.1%	90.5%
Black, non-Hispanic	4.5%	9.4%	12.2%	17.8%	2.7%	4.1%
Hispanic	16.6%	14.0%	48.3%	27.6%	9.2%	5.4%
Other, non-Hispanic	3.3%	0.0%	5.0%	0.0%	2.9%	0.0%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$48,611	\$45,814	\$28,003	\$50,964	\$53,664	\$44,270
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	13.9%	13.3%	37.1%	19.3%	8.5%	9.5%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	91.1%	8.9%	84.7%	15.3%	92.9%	7.1%
Private	66.9%	33.1%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	88.6%	11.4%	70.9%	29.1%	90.7%	9.3%
Black, non-Hispanic	79.3%	20.7%	---	---	---	---
Hispanic	90.4%	9.6%	87.1%	12.9%	94.7%	5.3%
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	89.2%	10.8%	88.1%	11.9%	90.4%	9.6%

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	186,800	31.6%	13,500	36.4%	41,100	51.2%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	156,900	84.0%	10,500	78.2%	33,800	82.3%
Satisfied with public elementary school	139,000	88.6%	8,300	79.3%	30,500	90.4%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	17,900	11.4%	2,200	20.7%	3,300	9.6%
So dissatisfied they want to move	8,100	5.2%	1,000	9.7%	1,100	3.4%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		45.4%		46.9%		35.1%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	133,000	98.1%	8,700	95.7%	31,000	96.9%
Attend public school*	120,100	90.4%	8,500	97.9%	29,000	93.7%
Attend private school*	15,700	11.8%	200	2.1%	1,900	6.3%
Attend other school*	1,700	1.3%	0	0.0%	400	1.2%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	185,900	99.5%	13,500	100.0%	40,900	99.5%
Find crime bothersome	32,500	17.5%	3,700	27.7%	10,600	25.9%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	11,600	6.2%	2,100	16.0%	5,900	14.5%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		35.7%		57.7%		56.1%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	37,400	20.0%	---	---	12,600	30.8%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	4,300	12.2%	---	---	1,000	7.9%
Close to job	4,000	11.3%	---	---	1,300	10.6%
Close to family/friends	2,300	6.4%	---	---	1,400	11.3%
House or appearance of neighborhood	9,200	25.7%	---	---	3,100	25.2%
Other reason	7,900	22.2%	---	---	4,800	38.5%
All reasons important	7,900	22.2%	---	---	800	6.5%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.5%	75.2%	---	---	99.1%	---
Private	7.7%	24.7%	---	---	0.8%	---
Other	1.3%	1.7%	---	---	0.9%	---
	100%*	100%*	---	---	100%*	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$55,594	\$50,452	---	---	\$27,180	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	7.1%	6.5%	---	---	37.2%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	91.4%	8.6%	---	---	91.3%	8.7%
Private	72.4%	27.6%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	89.4%	10.6%	---	---	88.2%	11.8%

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U. *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1995.

Detroit, MI Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Detroit city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	644,900	37.0%	184,900	43.2%	460,000	35.0%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	551,200	85.5%	149,300	80.8%	401,900	87.4%
Satisfied with public elementary school	490,500	89.0%	123,400	82.7%	367,000	91.3%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	60,700	11.0%	25,900	17.3%	34,800	8.7%
So dissatisfied they want to move	24,800	4.5%	11,000	7.4%	13,800	3.4%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		40.8%		42.6%		39.5%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	497,800	100.0%	138,600	100.0%	359,300	100.0%
Attend public school*	423,400	85.0%	113,400	81.8%	310,000	86.3%
Attend private school*	81,500	16.4%	27,400	19.8%	54,100	15.0%
Attend other school*	4,900	1.0%	2,000	1.5%	2,800	0.8%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	632,700	98.1%	181,100	97.9%	451,700	98.2%
Find crime bothersome	138,300	21.9%	77,600	42.8%	60,700	13.4%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	71,800	11.3%	47,500	26.2%	24,300	5.4%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		51.9%		61.2%		40.0%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	104,800	16.2%	--	--	66,700	14.5%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	8,300	8.4%	--	--	7,300	11.5%
Close to job	11,200	11.3%	--	--	10,200	16.1%
Close to family/friends	10,800	10.9%	--	--	7,400	11.7%
House or appearance of neighborhood	35,200	35.4%	--	--	22,500	35.4%
Other reason	30,900	31.0%	--	--	13,100	20.6%
All reasons important	3,100	3.1%	--	--	3,100	4.8%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	90.9%	--	91.7%	--	90.7%	--
Private	10.7%	--	10.7%	--	10.7%	--
Other	0.5%	--	0.0%	--	0.7%	--
	100%*	--	100%*	--	100%*	--
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	75.8%	56.4%	25.6%	--	92.7%	--
Black, non-Hispanic	20.9%	34.5%	72.1%	--	3.7%	--
Hispanic	1.4%	4.2%	2.3%	--	1.1%	--
Other, non-Hispanic	1.9%	4.9%	0.0%	--	2.5%	--
	100%	100%	100%	--	100%	--
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$47,358	\$40,152	\$26,768	--	\$53,535	--
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	22.3%	29.4%	45.2%	--	14.6%	--

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.7%	6.3%	86.8%	13.2%	96.4%	3.6%
Private	68.9%	31.1%	--	--	--	--
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	91.6%	8.4%	--	--	91.9%	8.1%
Black, non-Hispanic	83.0%	17.0%	81.7%	18.3%	--	--
Hispanic	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other, non-Hispanic	--	--	--	--	--	--
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	85.9%	14.1%	85.1%	14.9%	86.9%	13.1%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	466,500	35.0%	153,800	43.0%	---	---
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	406,200	87.1%	123,600	80.4%	---	---
Satisfied with public elementary school	371,900	91.6%	102,600	83.0%	---	---
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	34,200	8.4%	21,000	17.0%	---	---
So dissatisfied they want to move	13,900	3.4%	8,300	6.7%	---	---
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		40.6%		39.4%		---
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	361,200	100.0%	118,600	100.0%	---	---
Attend public school*	307,800	85.2%	98,500	83.0%	---	---
Attend private school*	56,500	15.6%	22,400	18.9%	---	---
Attend other school*	3,800	1.1%	1,100	0.9%	---	---
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	460,400	98.7%	150,000	97.5%	---	---
Find crime bothersome	75,000	16.3%	59,900	40.0%	---	---
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	36,300	7.9%	33,000	22.0%	---	---
Proportion of bothered who want to move		48.3%		55.0%		---
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	67,400	14.4%	---	---	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	7,300	11.3%	---	---	---	---
Close to job	5,800	9.0%	---	---	---	---
Close to family/friends	9,800	15.2%	---	---	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	21,700	33.7%	---	---	---	---
Other reason	17,600	27.4%	---	---	---	---
All reasons important	2,200	3.4%	---	---	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	89.9%	---	93.3%	---	---	---
Private	11.3%	---	9.4%	---	---	---
Other	0.7%	---	0.0%	---	---	---
	100%*	---	100%*	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$53,227	---	\$26,767	---	---	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	15.5%	---	47.4%	---	---	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	96.2%	3.8%	88.8%	11.2%	---	---
Private	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	87.6%	12.4%	86.3%	13.7%	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area.

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Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1995.

Fort Worth-Arlington, TX Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Fort Worth city		Arlington city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	195,800	39.1%	69,600	39.9%	19,000	37.5%	107,300	38.8%
Schools								
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	167,900	85.7%	61,200	87.9%	16,000	84.2%	90,700	84.6%
Satisfied with public elementary school	148,300	88.3%	54,800	89.6%	12,500	78.3%	81,000	89.3%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	19,600	11.7%	6,400	10.4%	3,500	21.7%	9,700	10.7%
So dissatisfied they want to move	9,800	5.8%	2,900	4.8%	2,400	15.0%	4,500	4.9%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		49.9%		45.6%		69.0%		45.9%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	147,100	98.4%	52,300	99.1%	12,200	97.5%	82,500	98.1%
Attend public school*	130,100	88.5%	46,700	89.2%	10,300	84.5%	73,100	88.6%
Attend private school*	17,600	12.0%	5,600	10.7%	2,300	18.5%	9,700	11.8%
Attend other school*	3,100	2.1%	800	1.5%	200	1.3%	2,100	2.6%
Crime								
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	194,100	99.1%	69,100	99.3%	19,000	100.0%	106,000	98.8%
Find crime bothersome	46,700	24.1%	22,300	32.2%	5,300	28.0%	19,200	18.1%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	20,200	10.4%	10,300	14.9%	2,500	13.1%	7,400	7.0%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		43.2%		46.2%		46.6%		38.6%
Reasons for neighborhood choice								
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	58,400	29.8%	21,000	30.2%	---	---	31,500	29.4%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood								
Schools	5,700	10.4%	1,600	8.1%	---	---	3,900	13.0%
Close to job	4,600	8.4%	1,700	8.8%	---	---	2,300	7.8%
Close to family/friends	3,900	7.1%	1,300	6.5%	---	---	2,300	7.6%
House or appearance of neighborhood	18,000	32.4%	6,600	34.0%	---	---	9,200	30.5%
Other reason	11,800	21.2%	5,000	25.6%	---	---	5,700	18.9%
All reasons important	11,300	20.5%	3,300	17.0%	---	---	6,700	22.1%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend								
Public	92.7%	50.7%	92.8%	---	87.9%	---	93.4%	---
Private	8.1%	49.9%	7.7%	---	14.2%	---	7.4%	---
Other	1.8%	4.3%	1.6%	---	2.0%	---	1.9%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household								
White, non-Hispanic	66.3%	78.3%	45.7%	---	62.2%	---	80.8%	86.0%
Black, non-Hispanic	16.3%	11.2%	28.5%	---	14.6%	---	8.3%	10.5%
Hispanic	13.4%	9.3%	22.4%	---	9.4%	---	8.0%	3.5%
Other, non-Hispanic	4.0%	1.2%	3.5%	---	13.7%	---	2.8%	0.0%
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	---	100%	100%
Income and poverty								
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$42,232	\$44,466	\$28,596	---	\$42,348	---	\$50,962	\$48,714
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	21.3%	18.0%	35.1%	---	20.0%	---	12.1%	8.8%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend								
Public	93.7%	6.3%	92.6%	7.4%	91.2%	8.8%	94.8%	5.2%
Private	56.8%	43.2%	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household								
White, non-Hispanic	86.5%	13.5%	83.7%	16.3%	78.9%	21.1%	88.7%	11.3%
Black, non-Hispanic	91.7%	8.3%	96.1%	3.9%	---	---	86.9%	13.1%
Hispanic	91.6%	8.4%	95.1%	4.9%	---	---	95.0%	5.1%
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty								
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	89.9%	10.1%	90.7%	9.3%	---	---	91.9%	8.1%

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	131,700	34.4%	28,900	51.0%	27,500	59.5%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	113,600	86.3%	26,400	91.2%	21,800	79.2%
Satisfied with public elementary school	98,300	86.5%	24,200	91.7%	19,900	91.6%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	15,300	13.5%	2,200	8.3%	1,800	8.4%
So dissatisfied they want to move	7,800	6.9%	700	2.8%	1,200	5.7%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		50.8%		34.2%		67.7%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	101,100	98.1%	23,300	99.0%	17,800	98.8%
Attend public school*	87,300	86.4%	21,500	92.4%	16,900	94.9%
Attend private school*	14,200	14.1%	2,400	10.1%	500	3.0%
Attend other school*	2,400	2.3%	300	1.4%	400	2.1%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	130,500	99.0%	28,500	98.6%	27,300	99.5%
Find crime bothersome	32,800	25.1%	7,600	26.8%	4,900	17.8%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	13,400	10.3%	3,300	11.5%	2,700	10.0%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		41.0%		43.0%		56.0%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	37,700	28.6%	9,700	33.4%	8,600	31.4%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	4,900	13.4%	600	6.0%	200	2.7%
Close to job	2,300	6.2%	1,400	15.2%	800	10.3%
Close to family/friends	2,100	5.9%	1,000	11.0%	700	8.5%
House or appearance of neighborhood	11,800	32.6%	3,200	34.5%	2,700	34.3%
Other reason	6,900	19.1%	2,100	23.2%	2,000	24.5%
All reasons important	8,200	22.7%	900	10.0%	1,600	19.7%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.6%	42.0%	91.5%	---	95.1%	---
Private	8.9%	54.3%	9.4%	---	2.0%	---
Other	1.6%	5.5%	2.0%	---	2.8%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$51,905	\$47,959	\$21,356	---	\$26,467	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	10.7%	13.5%	46.4%	---	41.0%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.8%	6.2%	90.5%	9.5%	95.8%	4.2%
Private	52.9%	47.1%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	83.6%	16.4%	94.6%	5.4%	90.8%	9.2%

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--- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1994.

Hartford, CT Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Hartford city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	144,400	32.8%	15,700	35.1%	128,700	32.5%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	132,500	91.8%	13,900	88.6%	118,600	92.1%
Satisfied with public elementary school	120,900	91.2%	12,000	86.3%	108,800	91.8%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	11,600	8.8%	1,900	13.7%	9,700	8.2%
So dissatisfied they want to move	6,700	5.1%	1,100	7.7%	5,700	4.8%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		58.0%		56.5%		58.3%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	109,800	99.0%	12,500	100.0%	97,400	98.8%
Attend public school*	100,500	91.5%	11,800	94.3%	88,800	91.2%
Attend private school*	11,000	10.0%	700	5.7%	10,300	10.6%
Attend other school*	900	0.8%	0	0.0%	900	0.9%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	143,800	99.6%	15,700	100.0%	128,100	99.6%
Find crime bothersome	20,000	13.9%	5,300	33.6%	14,700	11.5%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	10,700	7.4%	4,100	26.0%	6,600	5.1%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		53.5%		77.5%		44.8%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	23,300	16.1%	--	--	18,400	14.3%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	1,900	8.9%	--	--	1,700	9.7%
Close to job	1,800	8.3%	--	--	1,500	8.3%
Close to family/friends	2,100	9.7%	--	--	1,600	8.8%
House or appearance of neighborhood	8,400	38.5%	--	--	7,100	40.4%
Other reason	5,700	25.8%	--	--	4,200	23.9%
All reasons important	1,900	8.9%	--	--	1,600	9.0%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.7%	69.0%	100.0%	--	94.1%	64.1%
Private	7.0%	35.6%	0.0%	--	7.8%	41.6%
Other	0.4%	3.2%	0.0%	--	0.5%	3.9%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	--	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	76.9%	77.1%	10.1%	--	84.3%	88.5%
Black, non-Hispanic	8.8%	16.1%	31.4%	--	6.3%	8.1%
Hispanic	12.0%	5.8%	55.6%	--	7.2%	3.4%
Other, non-Hispanic	2.3%	1.0%	2.9%	--	2.2%	0.0%
	100%	100%	100%	--	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$55,000	\$54,000	\$16,080	--	\$59,250	\$59,000
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	16.1%	13.7%	63.8%	--	10.8%	10.2%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.0%	6.0%	87.7%	12.3%	94.9%	5.1%
Private	69.4%	30.6%	--	--	70.4%	29.6%
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	91.2%	8.8%	--	--	91.4%	8.6%
Black, non-Hispanic	85.0%	15.0%	--	--	89.7%	10.3%
Hispanic	95.6%	4.4%	95.1%	4.9%	95.9%	4.1%
Other, non-Hispanic	--	--	--	--	--	--
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	92.4%	7.6%	92.7%	7.3%	92.2%	7.8%

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	110,300	29.6%	13,600	42.2%	17,100	61.6%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	102,000	92.5%	12,500	92.1%	15,200	88.7%
Satisfied with public elementary school	93,000	91.2%	10,600	85.0%	14,500	95.6%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	9,000	8.8%	1,900	15.0%	700	4.4%
So dissatisfied they want to move	5,300	5.2%	800	6.4%	600	3.7%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		58.7%		42.8%		82.9%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	82,700	98.7%	10,700	99.1%	13,600	100.0%
Attend public school*	74,800	90.4%	10,000	93.8%	13,300	97.5%
Attend private school*	9,800	11.8%	700	6.2%	300	2.5%
Attend other school*	800	1.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	109,800	99.6%	13,600	100.0%	17,000	99.4%
Find crime bothersome	12,100	11.0%	2,700	19.9%	4,900	29.0%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	4,500	4.1%	1,800	13.1%	4,200	24.5%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		37.3%		65.6%		84.2%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	12,700	11.5%	---	---	6,400	37.6%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	800	6.5%	---	---	400	7.5%
Close to job	1,300	10.6%	---	---	300	5.9%
Close to family/friends	1,200	10.2%	---	---	800	13.1%
House or appearance of neighborhood	4,500	36.8%	---	---	2,600	44.1%
Other reason	3,200	26.5%	---	---	1,500	25.4%
All reasons important	1,100	9.5%	---	---	200	4.0%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.5%	63.4%	97.0%	---	100.0%	---
Private	9.0%	43.1%	3.0%	---	0.0%	---
Other	0.4%	4.4%	0.0%	---	0.0%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$63,000	\$59,000	\$31,200	---	\$16,000	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	6.7%	9.8%	31.6%	---	63.8%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.7%	5.3%	86.7%	13.3%	96.0%	4.0%
Private	71.5%	28.5%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	87.6%	12.4%	---	---	96.4%	3.6%

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate.
 *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1996.

Houston, TX Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and
Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Houston city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	500,200	41.3%	211,300	34.4%	288,900	48.4%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	424,900	85.0%	169,900	80.4%	255,000	88.3%
Satisfied with public elementary school	388,600	91.4%	147,600	86.9%	241,000	94.5%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	36,300	8.6%	22,300	13.1%	14,000	5.5%
So dissatisfied they want to move	21,700	5.1%	15,000	8.8%	6,700	2.6%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		59.8%		67.4%		47.8%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	367,100	94.3%	143,700	93.1%	223,300	95.0%
Attend public school*	341,200	93.0%	129,600	90.2%	211,600	94.8%
Attend private school*	33,200	9.0%	16,100	11.2%	17,100	7.6%
Attend other school*	1,800	0.5%	1,200	0.8%	600	0.3%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	493,100	98.6%	208,600	98.7%	284,500	98.5%
Find crime bothersome	166,200	33.7%	84,700	40.6%	81,400	28.6%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	64,700	13.1%	38,100	18.3%	26,600	9.3%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		38.9%		45.0%		32.6%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	136,800	27.4%	69,700	33.0%	67,100	23.2%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	15,300	12.5%	6,100	10.3%	9,200	14.6%
Close to job	23,100	18.9%	10,300	17.4%	12,800	20.2%
Close to family/friends	18,200	14.9%	11,700	19.8%	6,500	10.3%
House or appearance of neighborhood	25,600	20.9%	11,200	18.9%	14,500	22.9%
Other reason	27,800	22.7%	13,300	22.5%	14,500	22.9%
All reasons important	12,400	10.1%	6,600	11.1%	5,800	9.2%

Distribution of Households by
Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	96.2%	74.6%	96.1%	---	96.2%	---
Private	5.9%	32.3%	5.5%	---	6.1%	---
Other	0.5%	0.0%	0.8%	---	0.3%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	52.4%	53.8%	28.2%	47.4%	67.2%	---
Black, non-Hispanic	21.2%	22.6%	34.3%	25.4%	13.2%	---
Hispanic	21.3%	19.3%	34.3%	22.3%	13.3%	---
Other, non-Hispanic	5.1%	4.3%	3.1%	5.0%	6.3%	---
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$41,471	\$43,858	\$28,800	\$33,407	\$49,377	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	26.4%	26.1%	39.7%	28.2%	18.2%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied
and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.1%	5.9%	91.0%	9.0%	96.0%	4.0%
Private	69.2%	30.8%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	91.2%	8.8%	79.7%	20.3%	94.8%	5.2%
Black, non-Hispanic	90.9%	9.1%	89.9%	10.1%	92.6%	7.4%
Hispanic	92.2%	7.8%	91.1%	8.9%	94.0%	6.0%
Other, non-Hispanic	92.7%	7.3%	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	91.5%	8.5%	90.3%	9.7%	93.2%	6.8%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	259,700	34.6%	105,300	46.0%	109,900	58.6%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	223,200	86.0%	90,700	86.2%	89,700	81.6%
Satisfied with public elementary school	203,700	91.2%	82,500	90.9%	82,600	92.2%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	19,500	8.8%	8,200	9.1%	7,000	7.8%
So dissatisfied they want to move	12,800	5.7%	3,700	4.1%	4,700	5.3%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		65.4%		44.9%		67.1%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	190,800	94.5%	77,900	93.5%	78,700	94.3%
Attend public school*	172,500	90.4%	75,500	96.8%	75,600	96.1%
Attend private school*	24,600	12.9%	2,500	3.2%	3,600	4.6%
Attend other school*	1,400	0.7%	0	0.0%	400	0.5%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	256,300	98.7%	103,000	97.9%	108,900	99.1%
Find crime bothersome	86,500	33.8%	40,200	39.0%	36,700	33.7%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	27,600	10.8%	15,400	14.9%	20,100	18.5%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		32.0%		38.3%		54.9%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	69,100	26.6%	24,700	23.5%	35,000	31.9%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	9,800	14.6%	1,900	9.7%	3,700	12.3%
Close to job	14,500	21.7%	1,500	7.8%	4,100	13.8%
Close to family/friends	5,700	8.5%	3,900	19.9%	8,700	29.2%
House or appearance of neighborhood	13,900	20.8%	4,600	23.8%	5,600	18.8%
Other reason	17,100	25.5%	4,900	25.3%	4,700	15.8%
All reasons important	6,000	8.9%	2,600	13.5%	3,000	10.1%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.9%	---	98.1%	---	97.2%	---
Private	8.4%	---	1.9%	---	3.7%	---
Other	0.7%	---	0.0%	---	0.6%	---
	100%*	---	100%*	---	100%*	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$53,913	---	\$28,800	---	\$28,800	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	13.0%	---	39.0%	---	47.6%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	95.1%	4.9%	89.5%	10.5%	95.7%	4.3%
Private	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	91.4%	8.6%	92.5%	7.5%	90.0%	10.0%

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U. *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1991.

Indianapolis, IN Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Indianapolis city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	213,000	36.0%	104,100	34.0%	108,900	38.2%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	188,400	88.5%	87,300	83.9%	101,100	92.8%
Satisfied with public elementary school	168,700	89.5%	74,700	85.5%	94,000	93.0%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	19,700	10.5%	12,600	14.5%	7,100	7.0%
So dissatisfied they want to move	9,100	4.8%	6,300	7.2%	2,800	2.8%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		46.0%		49.5%		39.8%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	155,500	97.6%	74,500	98.1%	80,900	97.2%
Attend public school*	137,300	88.3%	63,100	84.7%	74,200	91.7%
Attend private school*	18,000	11.6%	10,600	14.2%	7,400	9.2%
Attend other school*	3,800	2.5%	3,000	4.0%	800	1.0%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	211,300	99.2%	102,800	98.8%	108,500	99.6%
Find crime bothersome	40,000	18.9%	30,000	29.1%	10,100	9.3%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	18,600	8.8%	15,100	14.7%	3,500	3.2%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		46.5%		50.4%		34.7%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	48,500	22.8%	26,800	25.8%	21,700	19.9%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	5,300	11.6%	2,100	8.5%	3,200	15.4%
Close to job	4,800	10.5%	3,100	12.3%	1,800	8.4%
Close to family/friends	4,700	10.2%	2,800	11.0%	1,900	9.2%
House or appearance of neighborhood	11,900	25.8%	6,300	25.2%	5,600	26.6%
Other reason	13,200	28.7%	7,000	27.9%	6,200	29.6%
All reasons important	6,100	13.2%	3,800	15.2%	2,300	10.8%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	91.6%	64.1%	90.9%	59.0%	92.2%	---
Private	8.8%	34.5%	8.6%	37.1%	8.9%	---
Other	1.9%	8.1%	3.0%	9.7%	0.9%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	83.7%	89.5%	67.5%	84.8%	96.6%	97.9%
Black, non-Hispanic	13.9%	7.2%	29.0%	10.1%	1.9%	2.1%
Hispanic	1.2%	1.1%	1.8%	1.7%	0.7%	0.0%
Other, non-Hispanic	1.2%	2.2%	1.7%	3.4%	0.8%	0.0%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$48,800	\$44,120	\$40,700	\$43,000	\$53,350	\$47,500
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	16.1%	18.6%	23.9%	18.4%	9.9%	19.1%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.7%	6.3%	91.5%	8.5%	95.7%	4.3%
Private	72.7%	27.3%	61.9%	38.1%	85.1%	14.9%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	88.9%	11.1%	82.5%	17.5%	92.9%	7.1%
Black, non-Hispanic	94.3%	5.7%	94.4%	5.6%	---	---
Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	88.1%	11.9%	88.5%	11.5%	87.4%	12.6%

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	177,600	35.0%	29,800	43.0%	--	--
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	158,900	89.4%	24,900	83.6%	--	--
Satisfied with public elementary school	141,200	88.9%	23,500	94.3%	--	--
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	17,700	11.1%	1,400	5.7%	--	--
So dissatisfied they want to move	8,000	5.0%	700	2.8%	--	--
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		45.4%		49.9%		--
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	130,100	97.4%	21,600	98.7%	--	--
Attend public school*	113,700	87.4%	19,800	91.8%	--	--
Attend private school*	16,100	12.4%	1,600	7.6%	--	--
Attend other school*	3,100	2.4%	600	2.6%	--	--
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	176,400	99.3%	29,400	98.6%	--	--
Find crime bothersome	30,900	17.5%	8,600	29.1%	--	--
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	13,200	7.5%	5,100	17.3%	--	--
Proportion of bothered who want to move		42.9%		59.2%		--
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	36,700	20.7%	10,000	33.5%	--	--
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	3,900	11.2%	1,300	14.1%	--	--
Close to job	4,000	11.3%	900	9.7%	--	--
Close to family/friends	3,100	8.8%	1,400	15.9%	--	--
House or appearance of neighborhood	8,700	24.7%	2,300	25.2%	--	--
Other reason	10,400	29.7%	2,300	25.8%	--	--
All reasons important	5,000	14.3%	900	9.4%	--	--

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	90.6%	61.6%	95.6%	--	--	--
Private	9.9%	35.2%	4.4%	--	--	--
Other	1.8%	7.9%	1.8%	--	--	--
	100%*	100%*	100%*	--	--	--
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$51,700	\$45,700	\$29,869	--	--	--
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	11.7%	17.5%	41.2%	--	--	--

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.6%	6.4%	94.9%	5.1%	--	--
Private	73.7%	26.3%	--	--	--	--
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	84.2%	15.8%	95.7%	4.3%	--	--

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area.

-- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1996.

Kansas City, MO-KS Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Kansas City, MO		Kansas City, KS		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	239,800	36.4%	59,200	33.4%	15,100	35.3%	165,600	37.7%
Schools								
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	212,900	88.8%	48,100	81.3%	13,000	86.3%	151,700	91.7%
Satisfied with public elementary school	188,800	88.7%	40,000	83.1%	10,600	81.4%	138,200	91.1%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	24,100	11.3%	8,100	16.9%	2,400	18.6%	13,500	8.9%
So dissatisfied they want to move	10,900	5.1%	4,400	9.2%	1,700	12.9%	4,800	3.2%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		45.2%		54.4%		69.2%		35.4%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	177,000	98.2%	41,200	97.8%	9,800	96.3%	125,900	98.5%
Attend public school*	156,900	88.6%	34,900	84.6%	9,100	92.4%	112,900	89.7%
Attend private school*	19,000	10.7%	5,900	14.4%	900	9.5%	12,100	9.6%
Attend other school*	3,400	1.9%	800	1.8%	200	1.8%	2,400	1.9%
Crime								
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	237,900	99.2%	58,800	99.3%	14,900	98.8%	164,200	99.2%
Find crime bothersome	45,300	19.0%	20,000	34.0%	5,100	33.9%	20,200	12.3%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	21,900	9.2%	11,000	18.7%	2,800	18.7%	8,200	5.0%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		48.4%		54.9%		55.1%		40.4%
Reasons for neighborhood choice								
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	58,300	24.3%	14,800	25.1%	---	---	37,200	22.5%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood								
Schools	3,900	7.2%	600	4.6%	---	---	2,900	8.2%
Close to job	8,000	14.6%	2,300	16.5%	---	---	5,000	14.2%
Close to family/friends	3,200	5.9%	1,000	6.9%	---	---	1,700	4.9%
House or appearance of neighborhood	21,900	40.1%	5,200	36.7%	---	---	13,700	39.1%
Other reason	13,400	24.5%	3,200	23.1%	---	---	9,200	26.5%
All reasons important	4,200	7.7%	1,700	12.3%	---	---	2,500	7.1%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend								
Public	92.4%	58.2%	91.8%	---	---	---	92.1%	61.8%
Private	7.8%	37.6%	8.2%	---	---	---	8.0%	33.6%
Other	1.0%	5.6%	0.0%	---	---	---	1.4%	6.7%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	---	---	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household								
White, non-Hispanic	82.4%	82.3%	59.3%	---	42.2%	---	92.1%	93.0%
Black, non-Hispanic	12.3%	9.6%	35.8%	---	39.6%	---	3.4%	5.7%
Hispanic	3.5%	4.1%	3.5%	---	14.6%	---	2.7%	0.0%
Other, non-Hispanic	1.8%	4.0%	1.4%	---	3.6%	---	1.8%	1.3%
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	---	100%	100%
Income and poverty								
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$47,070	\$39,135	\$34,438	---	\$22,753	---	\$51,682	\$45,557
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	15.3%	20.0%	25.1%	---	46.0%	---	10.2%	13.1%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend								
Public	93.8%	6.2%	93.0%	7.0%	---	---	94.2%	5.8%
Private	66.3%	33.7%	---	---	---	---	72.0%	28.0%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household								
White, non-Hispanic	88.7%	11.3%	80.4%	19.6%	---	---	91.0%	9.0%
Black, non-Hispanic	90.9%	9.1%	90.3%	9.7%	---	---	---	---
Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty								
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	85.7%	14.3%	82.6%	17.4%	---	---	88.8%	11.2%

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	195,700	34.9%	31,200	45.4%	---	---
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	175,300	89.6%	25,600	82.0%	---	---
Satisfied with public elementary school	155,500	88.7%	23,300	90.9%	---	---
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	19,800	11.3%	2,300	9.1%	---	---
So dissatisfied they want to move	9,000	5.1%	900	3.7%	---	---
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		45.3%		40.3%	---	---
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	144,000	98.1%	23,300	100.0%	---	---
Attend public school*	126,200	87.7%	21,900	93.9%	---	---
Attend private school*	16,400	11.4%	1,600	6.9%	---	---
Attend other school*	3,000	2.1%	200	0.8%	---	---
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	194,200	99.2%	31,000	99.4%	---	---
Find crime bothersome	33,700	17.4%	9,300	30.0%	---	---
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	14,700	7.5%	5,800	18.6%	---	---
Proportion of bothered who want to move		43.5%		62.1%	---	---
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	42,500	21.7%	11,400	36.4%	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	2,600	6.4%	1,200	10.9%	---	---
Close to job	6,100	15.1%	1,200	10.7%	---	---
Close to family/friends	2,300	5.6%	1,000	8.9%	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	16,100	40.0%	3,900	35.9%	---	---
Other reason	10,100	25.2%	2,900	26.7%	---	---
All reasons important	3,100	7.6%	800	7.0%	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	91.5%	57.9%	96.6%	---	---	---
Private	8.5%	36.8%	4.5%	---	---	---
Other	1.1%	6.9%	0.0%	---	---	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$51,476	\$40,152	\$23,504	---	---	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	10.7%	16.7%	40.6%	---	---	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.7%	6.3%	94.0%	6.0%	---	---
Private	68.5%	31.5%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	83.4%	16.6%	89.3%	10.7%	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U. *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1995.

Los Angeles-Long Beach, CA Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Los Angeles-Long Beach** cities		Suburbs **	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	1,210,300	40.9%	575,700	39.2%	634,600	42.6%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	983,800	81.3%	463,600	80.5%	520,200	82.0%
Satisfied with public elementary school	848,800	86.3%	371,600	80.1%	477,200	91.7%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	135,000	13.7%	92,000	19.9%	43,000	8.3%
So dissatisfied they want to move	67,800	6.9%	48,700	10.5%	19,100	3.7%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		50.2%		52.9%		44.4%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	872,300	98.8%	409,400	99.0%	462,800	98.7%
Attend public school*	756,600	86.7%	350,200	85.5%	406,400	87.8%
Attend private school*	128,100	14.7%	63,700	15.6%	64,400	13.9%
Attend other school*	3,900	0.5%	3,100	0.8%	800	0.2%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	1,203,200	99.4%	571,400	99.3%	631,800	99.6%
Find crime bothersome	304,500	25.3%	190,700	33.4%	113,800	18.0%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	176,300	14.7%	107,300	18.8%	69,000	10.9%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		57.9%		56.3%		60.6%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	307,200	25.4%	171,000	29.7%	136,200	21.5%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	24,400	8.1%	9,500	5.6%	14,900	11.4%
Close to job	32,800	11.0%	18,500	11.0%	14,400	11.0%
Close to family/friends	44,700	14.9%	24,200	14.4%	20,500	15.6%
House or appearance of neighborhood	84,100	28.1%	51,400	30.5%	32,800	25.0%
Other reason	80,200	26.8%	42,400	25.2%	37,800	28.8%
All reasons important	33,200	11.1%	22,300	13.3%	10,900	8.3%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.3%	61.5%	93.5%	61.4%	93.1%	--
Private	8.0%	40.6%	7.5%	40.1%	8.3%	---
Other	0.5%	0.0%	0.8%	0.0%	0.3%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	26.7%	38.8%	22.8%	40.6%	29.7%	---
Black, non-Hispanic	8.0%	19.8%	9.9%	19.9%	6.6%	---
Hispanic	52.6%	36.8%	55.0%	33.8%	50.7%	---
Other, non-Hispanic	12.8%	4.6%	12.4%	5.7%	13.1%	---
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$27,231	\$40,152	\$25,737	\$33,974	\$31,926	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	44.3%	35.8%	50.7%	38.7%	39.3%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	90.8%	9.2%	87.0%	13.0%	94.1%	5.9%
Private	55.9%	44.1%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	81.2%	18.8%	69.4%	30.6%	90.4%	9.6%
Black, non-Hispanic	71.7%	28.3%	66.8%	33.2%	---	---
Hispanic	90.0%	10.0%	86.8%	13.2%	92.9%	7.1%
Other, non-Hispanic	94.6%	5.5%	89.7%	10.3%	98.5%	1.5%
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	88.6%	11.4%	84.1%	15.9%	93.6%	6.4%

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	351,300	26.0%	119,100	35.2%	595,400	63.4%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	278,700	79.3%	94,800	79.6%	495,800	83.3%
Satisfied with public elementary school	226,300	81.2%	68,000	71.7%	446,100	90.0%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	52,400	18.8%	26,800	28.3%	49,700	10.0%
So dissatisfied they want to move	26,400	9.5%	11,400	12.0%	27,800	5.6%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		50.4%		42.6%		56.0%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	239,700	98.3%	89,400	97.6%	443,900	99.3%
Attend public school*	183,600	76.6%	83,300	93.2%	407,500	91.8%
Attend private school*	65,900	27.5%	6,100	6.8%	38,200	8.6%
Attend other school*	1,800	0.7%	0	0.0%	2,100	0.5%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	348,500	99.2%	118,200	99.2%	593,000	99.6%
Find crime bothersome	85,400	24.5%	51,000	43.2%	141,600	23.9%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	39,500	11.3%	33,500	28.3%	92,600	15.6%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		46.2%		65.7%		65.4%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	75,200	21.4%	---	---	173,100	29.1%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	4,900	6.6%	---	---	13,600	8.2%
Close to job	6,700	9.0%	---	---	18,700	11.3%
Close to family/friends	11,400	15.3%	---	---	27,300	16.4%
House or appearance of neighborhood	24,700	33.1%	---	---	42,300	25.5%
Other reason	18,800	25.3%	---	---	46,700	28.1%
All reasons important	8,000	10.7%	---	---	17,500	10.5%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	89.4%	---	97.1%	---	94.9%	---
Private	15.2%	---	2.9%	---	5.0%	---
Other	0.6%	---	0.0%	---	0.6%	---
	100%*	---	100%*	---	100%*	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$54,874	\$63,791	\$21,583	---	\$23,720	\$32,842
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	19.8%	12.4%	47.9%	---	60.2%	51.3%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.6%	6.4%	72.0%	28.0%	92.1%	7.9%
Private	47.6%	52.4%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	87.3%	12.7%	69.7%	30.3%	91.3%	8.7%

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area.

--- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

**The survey does not permit separate analysis of these cities. The suburb data only includes households in urbanized areas.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1995.

Memphis, TN-AR-MS Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Memphis city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	157,000	39.1%	80,700	36.0%	76,300	43.1%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	134,600	85.7%	67,500	83.7%	67,100	87.9%
Satisfied with public elementary school	117,700	87.4%	56,200	83.3%	61,500	91.6%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	16,900	12.6%	11,300	16.7%	5,600	8.4%
So dissatisfied they want to move	8,800	6.6%	6,900	10.3%	1,900	2.8%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		52.2%		61.4%		33.6%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	116,600	98.4%	58,800	97.9%	57,800	98.8%
Attend public school*	102,100	87.5%	51,700	87.8%	50,400	87.2%
Attend private school*	14,700	12.6%	7,400	12.6%	7,300	12.6%
Attend other school*	2,400	2.0%	1,000	1.7%	1,300	2.3%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	156,100	99.4%	80,100	99.2%	76,000	99.6%
Find crime bothersome	40,900	26.2%	29,100	36.4%	11,700	15.4%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	20,900	13.4%	16,100	20.1%	4,800	6.3%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		51.1%		55.4%		40.6%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	38,000	24.2%	20,300	25.2%	17,700	23.2%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	3,400	9.3%	1,500	7.8%	1,900	11.0%
Close to job	4,200	11.6%	1,900	9.6%	2,400	13.8%
Close to family/friends	4,600	12.6%	3,100	15.8%	1,500	9.0%
House or appearance of neighborhood	9,200	25.1%	4,500	23.4%	4,700	27.1%
Other reason	9,900	27.1%	5,800	30.0%	4,100	23.9%
All reasons important	5,200	14.3%	2,600	13.4%	2,600	15.3%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.4%	52.6%	95.5%	55.8%	93.3%	---
Private	6.2%	46.4%	5.3%	44.3%	7.1%	---
Other	1.5%	3.9%	1.6%	2.9%	1.4%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	48.0%	64.2%	20.1%	54.3%	73.6%	84.0%
Black, non-Hispanic	48.8%	32.8%	76.3%	43.0%	23.6%	12.3%
Hispanic	1.6%	0.6%	1.9%	0.9%	1.3%	0.0%
Other, non-Hispanic	1.6%	2.4%	1.7%	1.8%	1.5%	3.7%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$37,500	\$43,500	\$25,000	\$39,000	\$50,000	\$55,050
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	29.4%	26.7%	45.1%	28.8%	15.0%	22.6%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.6%	6.4%	90.8%	9.2%	96.3%	3.7%
Private	52.1%	47.9%	40.7%	59.3%	64.5%	35.5%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	83.9%	16.1%	64.9%	35.1%	90.5%	9.5%
Black, non-Hispanic	91.2%	8.8%	89.9%	10.1%	95.5%	4.5%
Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	88.5%	11.5%	88.7%	11.3%	87.9%	12.1%

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	78,300	33.1%	73,100	48.0%	---	---
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	67,400	86.0%	63,000	86.1%	---	---
Satisfied with public elementary school	56,500	83.9%	57,400	91.2%	---	---
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	10,900	16.1%	5,500	8.8%	---	---
So dissatisfied they want to move	5,400	8.0%	3,100	4.9%	---	---
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		49.9%		55.9%		---
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	57,300	98.5%	55,600	98.1%	---	---
Attend public school*	44,800	78.2%	54,100	97.2%	---	---
Attend private school*	12,900	22.5%	1,300	2.4%	---	---
Attend other school*	1,600	2.8%	600	1.1%	---	---
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	77,900	99.5%	72,600	99.3%	---	---
Find crime bothersome	17,500	22.4%	22,500	31.0%	---	---
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	7,900	10.1%	12,700	17.5%	---	---
Proportion of bothered who want to move		45.1%		56.6%		---
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	16,800	21.5%	19,100	26.1%	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	2,500	15.0%	700	4.1%	---	---
Close to job	1,900	11.8%	1,800	9.8%	---	---
Close to family/friends	1,700	10.3%	2,700	15.0%	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	4,100	24.9%	4,800	26.7%	---	---
Other reason	3,900	23.6%	5,200	28.9%	---	---
All reasons important	2,300	14.3%	2,800	15.4%	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	89.1%	31.1%	99.3%	---	---	---
Private	12.3%	69.0%	0.9%	---	---	---
Other	2.4%	4.6%	0.5%	---	---	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$52,200	\$54,300	\$24,104	\$20,000	---	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	9.9%	13.1%	49.2%	54.1%	---	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.5%	5.5%	92.4%	7.6%	---	---
Private	51.8%	48.2%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	79.8%	20.2%	90.4%	9.6%	---	---

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--- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1996.

Miami, FL Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Miami city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	266,100	37.4%	39,200	31.4%	226,900	38.7%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	221,800	83.3%	32,900	83.8%	188,900	83.2%
Satisfied with public elementary school	193,400	87.2%	29,100	88.7%	164,200	86.9%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	28,400	12.8%	3,700	11.3%	24,700	13.1%
So dissatisfied they want to move	14,100	6.4%	1,400	4.3%	12,700	6.7%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		49.7%		37.9%		51.5%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	194,300	98.6%	25,300	97.1%	169,000	98.9%
Attend public school*	168,200	86.6%	22,600	89.4%	145,600	86.2%
Attend private school*	27,600	14.2%	1,900	7.7%	25,700	15.2%
Attend other school*	2,000	1.0%	700	2.9%	1,300	0.8%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	259,500	97.5%	39,200	100.0%	220,300	97.1%
Find crime bothersome	67,300	25.9%	11,800	30.2%	55,400	25.2%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	33,100	12.8%	6,400	16.4%	26,700	12.1%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		49.2%		54.3%		48.2%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	73,400	27.6%	---	---	61,900	27.3%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	2,800	3.9%	---	---	2,400	4.0%
Close to job	5,600	7.9%	---	---	4,800	8.1%
Close to family/friends	10,300	14.5%	---	---	8,300	13.9%
House or appearance of neighborhood	21,300	30.2%	---	---	17,200	28.9%
Other reason	19,700	27.9%	---	---	16,200	27.2%
All reasons important	11,000	15.5%	---	---	10,600	17.8%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	89.8%	---	92.2%	---	89.4%	---
Private	11.7%	---	6.1%	---	12.6%	---
Other	0.8%	---	1.7%	---	0.6%	---
	100%*	---	100%*	---	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	11.7%	20.8%	4.0%	---	13.1%	22.5%
Black, non-Hispanic	27.0%	21.2%	32.7%	---	26.0%	21.5%
Hispanic	58.4%	56.6%	61.9%	---	57.8%	54.4%
Other, non-Hispanic	2.9%	1.4%	1.3%	---	3.2%	1.6%
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$26,768	\$32,152	\$16,987	---	\$29,856	\$32,945
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	37.0%	18.1%	57.8%	---	33.3%	19.3%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	90.9%	9.1%	92.6%	7.4%	90.6%	9.4%
Private	82.4%	17.6%	---	---	84.4%	15.6%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	79.3%	20.7%	---	---	79.5%	20.5%
Black, non-Hispanic	89.7%	10.3%	---	---	88.9%	11.1%
Hispanic	87.5%	12.5%	87.2%	12.8%	87.6%	12.4%
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	93.3%	6.7%	97.7%	2.3%	92.0%	8.0%

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	36,300	19.3%	67,700	55.5%	155,300	40.1%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	28,600	78.7%	58,200	85.9%	129,000	83.0%
Satisfied with public elementary school	22,600	79.3%	52,200	89.7%	112,900	87.5%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	5,900	20.7%	6,000	10.3%	16,100	12.5%
So dissatisfied they want to move	3,500	12.1%	3,000	5.2%	7,300	5.6%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		58.5%		50.2%		45.1%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	26,500	98.4%	52,000	98.5%	110,900	98.7%
Attend public school*	18,500	69.8%	50,000	96.2%	95,300	85.9%
Attend private school*	8,100	30.5%	2,800	5.3%	16,300	14.7%
Attend other school*	300	1.3%	400	0.8%	1,300	1.1%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	35,100	96.8%	65,100	96.0%	152,500	98.2%
Find crime bothersome	12,500	35.6%	21,300	32.7%	32,300	21.2%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	5,700	16.4%	12,600	19.4%	13,600	8.9%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		46.0%		59.4%		42.0%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	---	---	---	---	48,800	31.4%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	---	---	---	---	2,000	4.3%
Close to job	---	---	---	---	4,500	9.7%
Close to family/friends	---	---	---	---	8,000	17.1%
House or appearance of neighborhood	---	---	---	---	12,200	26.3%
Other reason	---	---	---	---	12,400	26.7%
All reasons important	---	---	---	---	7,400	15.9%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	---	---	97.0%	---	89.7%	---
Private	---	---	5.0%	---	11.8%	---
Other	---	---	1.0%	---	0.5%	---
	---	---	100%*	---	100%*	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$46,329	---	\$22,650	---	\$26,768	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	11.2%	---	52.1%	---	35.6%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	---	---	90.5%	9.5%	91.6%	8.4%
Private	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	---	---	94.7%	5.3%	93.4%	6.6%

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U. *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1995.



Milwaukee, WI Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Milwaukee city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	190,900	34.1%	82,500	35.3%	108,400	33.2%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	164,700	86.3%	68,400	83.0%	96,200	88.8%
Satisfied with public elementary school	145,900	88.6%	56,500	82.6%	89,400	92.9%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	18,800	11.4%	11,900	17.4%	6,900	7.1%
So dissatisfied they want to move	6,700	4.0%	5,200	7.5%	1,500	1.5%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		35.4%		43.3%		21.6%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	144,300	98.0%	60,900	97.4%	83,400	98.5%
Attend public school*	116,200	80.6%	48,800	80.2%	67,500	80.8%
Attend private school*	32,400	22.5%	13,000	21.4%	19,400	23.3%
Attend other school*	2,400	1.7%	1,100	1.7%	1,300	1.6%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	189,900	99.5%	81,600	99.0%	108,300	99.9%
Find crime bothersome	45,500	23.9%	32,800	40.2%	12,600	11.7%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	24,300	12.8%	21,100	25.8%	3,300	3.0%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		53.5%		64.1%		25.8%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	42,400	22.2%	25,300	30.6%	17,100	15.8%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	4,900	12.1%	1,500	6.0%	3,500	20.8%
Close to job	2,800	7.0%	1,800	7.4%	1,000	6.2%
Close to family/friends	4,100	9.9%	2,800	11.4%	1,300	7.8%
House or appearance of neighborhood	14,500	35.5%	9,800	40.4%	4,700	28.5%
Other reason	10,300	25.1%	5,800	24.0%	4,500	26.7%
All reasons important	4,300	10.4%	2,600	10.8%	1,700	9.9%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	87.2%	40.3%	92.2%	---	83.3%	---
Private	15.9%	58.8%	9.6%	---	20.7%	---
Other	1.5%	4.6%	1.1%	---	1.9%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	71.9%	83.6%	34.7%	75.4%	95.4%	---
Black, non-Hispanic	20.4%	11.7%	51.5%	17.2%	0.8%	---
Hispanic	5.3%	4.1%	10.4%	6.4%	2.0%	---
Other, non-Hispanic	2.4%	0.6%	3.5%	1.0%	1.8%	---
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$43,089	\$44,783	\$20,115	\$41,501	\$59,658	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	20.9%	18.4%	46.1%	24.0%	5.0%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.4%	5.6%	94.2%	5.8%	94.6%	5.4%
Private	67.7%	32.3%	45.0%	55.0%	82.5%	17.5%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	87.0%	13.0%	68.5%	31.5%	92.7%	7.3%
Black, non-Hispanic	93.1%	6.9%	93.4%	6.6%	---	---
Hispanic	90.9%	9.1%	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	89.8%	10.2%	90.1%	9.9%	---	---

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	139,100	29.8%	38,000	54.7%	9,100	59.1%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	120,600	86.7%	32,000	84.2%	8,400	92.3%
Satisfied with public elementary school	104,800	87.0%	29,800	93.1%	7,700	90.9%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	15,700	13.0%	2,200	6.9%	800	9.1%
So dissatisfied they want to move	4,500	3.8%	1,700	5.3%	400	4.8%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		28.9%		77.4%		53.3%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	104,500	98.0%	28,600	98.3%	7,600	100.0%
Attend public school*	79,100	75.7%	27,500	96.0%	6,700	88.1%
Attend private school*	28,100	26.9%	2,200	7.7%	1,100	15.0%
Attend other school*	2,300	2.2%	100	0.4%	0	0.0%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	138,700	99.7%	37,500	98.7%	9,000	98.6%
Find crime bothersome	26,100	18.8%	15,900	42.5%	2,300	25.6%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	10,400	7.5%	11,900	31.6%	1,800	19.8%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		39.8%		74.4%		77.4%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	22,900	16.4%	15,700	41.3%	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	3,900	18.2%	700	4.7%	---	---
Close to job	1,600	7.5%	700	4.4%	---	---
Close to family/friends	1,900	9.0%	1,800	11.9%	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	6,100	28.0%	6,100	39.5%	---	---
Other reason	5,300	24.6%	4,700	30.4%	---	---
All reasons important	2,800	12.7%	1,400	9.0%	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	83.5%	32.4%	96.9%	---	---	---
Private	19.7%	66.4%	4.7%	---	---	---
Other	2.0%	5.6%	0.6%	---	---	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$52,935	\$51,064	\$17,022	---	\$30,173	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	9.7%	10.7%	56.0%	---	37.6%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.4%	5.6%	95.0%	5.0%	---	---
Private	65.8%	34.2%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	85.7%	14.3%	92.7%	7.3%	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area.

--- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1994.

Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Minneapolis city		St. Paul city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	347,700	35.4%	37,600	24.5%	39,700	35.8%	270,500	37.7%
Schools								
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	297,800	85.6%	28,400	75.6%	31,700	79.9%	237,700	87.9%
Satisfied with public elementary school	271,400	91.1%	22,000	77.3%	25,100	79.0%	224,400	94.4%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	26,400	8.9%	6,500	22.7%	6,700	21.0%	13,300	5.6%
So dissatisfied they want to move	8,700	2.9%	3,300	11.5%	2,200	7.1%	3,100	1.3%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		32.9%		50.7%		33.8%		23.7%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	249,200	97.7%	26,000	96.5%	26,100	96.3%	197,100	98.1%
Attend public school*	220,400	88.5%	20,800	80.2%	21,800	83.6%	177,800	90.2%
Attend private school*	30,800	12.4%	5,200	19.9%	4,600	17.5%	21,100	10.7%
Attend other school*	4,100	1.7%	600	2.2%	200	0.7%	3,400	1.7%
Crime								
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	343,100	98.7%	37,400	99.6%	38,700	97.7%	267,000	98.7%
Find crime bothersome	72,000	21.0%	18,700	50.0%	13,500	34.8%	39,800	14.9%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	25,100	7.3%	8,600	22.9%	5,700	14.8%	10,800	4.0%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		34.9%		45.9%		42.5%		27.1%
Reasons for neighborhood choice								
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	63,900	18.4%	10,400	27.7%	7,900	19.9%	45,600	16.9%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood								
Schools	5,400	8.7%	200	1.6%	---	---	5,000	11.0%
Close to job	5,900	9.6%	1,200	12.5%	---	---	4,200	9.2%
Close to family/friends	7,500	12.1%	800	8.2%	---	---	5,400	12.1%
House or appearance of neighborhood	19,100	30.8%	2,400	25.5%	---	---	14,100	31.5%
Other reason	17,300	27.9%	4,400	45.7%	---	---	11,300	25.1%
All reasons important	6,700	10.9%	600	6.5%	---	---	5,000	11.1%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend								
Public	93.3%	52.9%	87.9%	---	93.2%	---	93.8%	---
Private	7.5%	48.1%	9.9%	---	6.8%	---	7.3%	---
Other	1.3%	5.2%	2.1%	---	0.0%	---	1.4%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household								
White, non-Hispanic	89.1%	93.4%	65.5%	---	61.1%	---	94.5%	97.0%
Black, non-Hispanic	4.5%	4.9%	22.2%	---	16.9%	---	1.4%	1.3%
Hispanic	2.2%	0.0%	1.0%	---	7.8%	---	1.7%	0.0%
Other, non-Hispanic	4.2%	1.7%	11.2%	---	14.2%	---	2.4%	1.8%
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	---	100%	100%
Income and poverty								
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$52,119	\$52,119	\$23,888	---	\$28,123	---	\$55,376	\$56,603
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	13.7%	15.7%	37.9%	---	34.5%	---	9.0%	7.4%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend								
Public	94.5%	5.5%	84.7%	15.3%	91.7%	8.3%	95.9%	4.1%
Private	60.1%	39.9%	---	---	---	---	71.4%	28.6%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household								
White, non-Hispanic	90.8%	9.2%	73.8%	26.2%	69.7%	30.3%	94.3%	5.7%
Black, non-Hispanic	90.5%	9.5%	---	---	---	---	---	---
Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	96.2%	3.8%	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty								
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	90.0%	10.0%	80.6%	19.4%	88.2%	11.8%	95.4%	4.6%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	308,600	33.8%	18,100	55.1%	---	---
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	266,500	86.4%	13,500	74.6%	---	---
Satisfied with public elementary school	241,800	90.8%	12,200	90.5%	---	---
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	24,600	9.2%	1,300	9.5%	---	---
So dissatisfied they want to move	7,700	2.9%	700	5.4%	---	---
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		31.3%		56.5%		---
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	222,500	97.8%	11,600	97.3%	---	---
Attend public school*	194,600	87.5%	10,900	94.2%	---	---
Attend private school*	29,800	13.4%	800	7.1%	---	---
Attend other school*	3,700	1.7%	200	1.9%	---	---
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	304,500	98.7%	17,500	96.9%	---	---
Find crime bothersome	63,100	20.7%	5,500	31.5%	---	---
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	20,100	6.6%	2,800	15.8%	---	---
Proportion of bothered who want to move		31.8%		50.3%		---
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	49,200	16.0%	---	---	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	4,600	9.7%	---	---	---	---
Close to job	4,600	9.7%	---	---	---	---
Close to family/friends	5,400	11.4%	---	---	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	15,000	31.5%	---	---	---	---
Other reason	12,500	26.3%	---	---	---	---
All reasons important	5,400	11.4%	---	---	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.5%	50.7%	---	---	---	---
Private	8.3%	49.0%	---	---	---	---
Other	1.5%	4.2%	---	---	---	---
	100%*	100%*	---	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$54,649	\$52,662	\$12,758	---	---	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	9.4%	11.3%	59.3%	---	---	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.3%	5.7%	---	---	---	---
Private	60.6%	39.4%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	89.1%	10.9%	---	---	---	---

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Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1993.

New Orleans, LA Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		New Orleans city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	192,300	39.7%	71,300	37.9%	121,000	40.8%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	162,100	84.3%	57,800	81.1%	104,300	86.2%
Satisfied with public elementary school	125,300	77.3%	46,100	79.7%	79,300	76.0%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	36,800	22.7%	11,700	20.3%	25,000	24.0%
So dissatisfied they want to move	13,000	8.0%	3,900	6.7%	9,100	8.8%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		35.4%		33.0%		36.5%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	148,800	99.2%	53,600	98.9%	95,200	99.4%
Attend public school*	106,400	71.5%	40,700	75.9%	65,700	69.0%
Attend private school*	45,700	30.7%	14,400	26.9%	31,300	32.9%
Attend other school*	1,700	1.1%	200	0.3%	1,500	1.6%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	191,300	99.5%	70,800	99.4%	120,500	99.6%
Find crime bothersome	46,000	24.0%	23,600	33.3%	22,400	18.6%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	23,300	12.2%	13,000	18.4%	10,300	8.5%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		50.7%		55.1%		46.0%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	36,000	18.7%	15,100	21.2%	20,900	17.3%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	1,800	5.2%	400	3.1%	1,300	6.6%
Close to job	3,500	10.1%	1,000	7.2%	2,500	12.1%
Close to family/friends	4,600	13.3%	3,100	21.4%	1,600	7.7%
House or appearance of neighborhood	10,500	30.3%	3,800	26.5%	6,700	32.9%
Other reason	10,500	30.2%	4,400	30.3%	6,100	30.1%
All reasons important	3,800	10.9%	1,600	11.4%	2,100	10.6%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	85.3%	38.7%	87.4%	49.8%	84.0%	34.1%
Private	17.4%	63.7%	16.3%	52.2%	18.1%	68.4%
Other	1.4%	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	2.3%	0.8%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	48.5%	63.9%	11.2%	28.5%	70.2%	80.6%
Black, non-Hispanic	46.8%	28.6%	85.6%	63.9%	24.3%	12.1%
Hispanic	2.9%	5.0%	1.6%	3.8%	3.7%	5.6%
Other, non-Hispanic	1.8%	2.4%	1.6%	3.8%	1.8%	1.7%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$30,268	\$43,755	\$22,806	\$31,915	\$36,033	\$47,152
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	33.6%	23.9%	46.0%	33.1%	26.4%	19.6%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	88.1%	11.9%	88.4%	11.6%	87.9%	12.1%
Private	47.9%	52.1%	57.4%	42.6%	44.0%	56.0%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	72.1%	27.9%	60.6%	39.4%	73.4%	26.6%
Black, non-Hispanic	84.8%	15.2%	84.0%	16.0%	86.4%	13.6%
Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	82.7%	17.3%	84.5%	15.5%	81.0%	19.0%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	99,600	33.1%	81,700	51.4%	6,700	40.6%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	84,300	84.6%	69,200	84.6%	---	---
Satisfied with public elementary school	60,800	72.1%	58,600	84.8%	---	---
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	23,500	27.9%	10,500	15.2%	---	---
So dissatisfied they want to move	7,900	9.4%	4,300	6.2%	---	---
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		33.7%		40.4%		---
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	75,000	99.2%	65,000	99.1%	---	---
Attend public school*	45,200	60.2%	54,900	84.4%	---	---
Attend private school*	31,300	41.7%	11,900	18.4%	---	---
Attend other school*	1,500	2.0%	200	0.2%	---	---
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	99,200	99.5%	81,300	99.5%	6,700	100.0%
Find crime bothersome	19,800	20.0%	23,900	29.4%	1,400	21.5%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	8,800	8.8%	13,400	16.5%	600	8.5%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		44.1%		56.2%		39.4%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	16,000	16.0%	17,600	21.5%	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	1,200	7.6%	300	1.8%	---	---
Close to job	1,800	11.2%	1,600	9.6%	---	---
Close to family/friends	1,600	10.5%	2,800	17.1%	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	4,900	31.0%	4,900	29.5%	---	---
Other reason	4,800	30.4%	5,100	30.7%	---	---
All reasons important	1,400	9.2%	1,900	11.4%	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	76.9%	24.2%	93.3%	70.2%	---	---
Private	25.6%	77.5%	10.0%	33.9%	---	---
Other	3.0%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	---	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$42,833	\$55,594	\$21,379	\$22,238	---	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	18.4%	11.7%	49.8%	49.2%	---	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	88.7%	11.3%	87.9%	12.1%	---	---
Private	44.9%	55.1%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	80.2%	19.8%	85.0%	15.0%	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1995.

New York, NY Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		New York City		Suburbs **	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	1,099,200	35.0%	947,300	34.3%	151,800	39.4%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	915,100	83.3%	781,600	82.5%	133,500	87.9%
Satisfied with public elementary school	789,900	86.3%	667,300	85.4%	122,600	91.8%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	125,200	13.7%	114,300	14.6%	10,900	8.2%
So dissatisfied they want to move	69,100	7.6%	66,900	8.6%	2,200	1.7%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		55.2%		58.5%		20.2%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	763,100	97.9%	653,300	97.6%	109,800	100.0%
Attend public school*	655,700	85.9%	568,800	87.1%	86,800	79.1%
Attend private school*	123,800	16.2%	99,000	15.1%	24,800	22.6%
Attend other school*	8,200	1.1%	8,200	1.2%	0	0.0%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	1,058,900	96.3%	909,800	96.0%	149,100	98.2%
Find crime bothersome	356,800	33.7%	335,100	36.8%	21,700	14.5%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	189,100	17.9%	182,200	20.0%	6,900	4.7%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		53.0%		54.4%		32.0%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	139,300	12.7%	126,900	13.4%	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	10,500	7.7%	10,500	8.3%	---	---
Close to job	4,700	3.5%	2,600	2.0%	---	---
Close to family/friends	17,100	12.5%	16,300	12.9%	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	38,300	27.9%	33,800	26.6%	---	---
Other reason	57,900	42.2%	55,100	43.4%	---	---
All reasons important	8,500	6.2%	8,500	6.7%	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.2%	---	93.5%	---	91.5%	---
Private	10.3%	---	10.1%	---	11.2%	---
Other	0.8%	---	1.0%	---	0.0%	---
	100%*	---	100%*	---	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	28.6%	33.2%	22.0%	28.5%	64.9%	---
Black, non-Hispanic	28.5%	33.5%	31.4%	36.7%	12.6%	---
Hispanic	31.9%	30.0%	34.8%	31.1%	16.3%	---
Other, non-Hispanic	11.0%	3.3%	11.9%	3.7%	6.1%	---
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$27,189	\$37,106	\$25,738	\$37,063	\$68,618	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	42.0%	36.4%	47.3%	37.9%	13.4%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	91.2%	8.8%	89.9%	10.1%	---	---
Private	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	84.5%	15.5%	81.8%	18.2%	89.9%	10.1%
Black, non-Hispanic	84.3%	15.7%	83.3%	16.7%	---	---
Hispanic	87.0%	13.0%	86.7%	13.3%	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	95.4%	4.6%	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	87.9%	12.1%	87.9%	12.1%	---	---

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	371,000	23.9%	299,200	42.0%	322,300	53.0%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	267,700	72.1%	266,800	89.2%	289,500	89.8%
Satisfied with public elementary school	226,100	84.5%	224,900	84.3%	252,000	87.0%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	41,600	15.5%	41,900	15.7%	37,600	13.0%
So dissatisfied they want to move	16,100	6.0%	26,100	9.8%	24,900	8.6%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		38.7%		62.2%		66.4%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	205,300	100.0%	227,400	97.1%	250,100	97.2%
Attend public school*	155,200	75.6%	201,900	88.8%	222,600	89.0%
Attend private school*	51,900	25.3%	28,500	12.6%	30,000	12.0%
Attend other school*	2,300	1.1%	5,900	2.6%	0	0.0%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	353,200	95.2%	289,500	96.8%	316,400	98.2%
Find crime bothersome	101,300	28.7%	108,400	37.5%	118,200	37.4%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	34,900	9.9%	62,300	21.5%	80,900	25.6%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		34.5%		57.5%		68.5%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	---	---	---	---	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	---	---	---	---	---	---
Close to job	---	---	---	---	---	---
Close to family/friends	---	---	---	---	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other reason	---	---	---	---	---	---
All reasons important	---	---	---	---	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	88.4%	---	94.7%	---	94.0%	---
Private	13.1%	---	8.3%	---	7.5%	---
Other	1.9%	---	1.3%	---	0.0%	---
	100%*	---	100%*	---	100%*	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$63,846	---	\$24,100	---	\$16,971	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	16.8%	---	49.7%	---	61.8%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.9%	6.1%	87.8%	12.2%	90.4%	9.6%
Private	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	---	---	83.6%	16.4%	90.0%	10.0%

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area.

--- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

**For confidentiality reasons, the suburb data only includes households in urbanized areas; "other urban" and "rural" areas are excluded.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1995.

Newark, NJ Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Newark city		Suburbs **	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	262,900	42.4%	72,865	47.4%	190,100	40.8%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	217,600	82.8%	--	--	171,000	90.0%
Satisfied with public elementary school	201,500	92.6%	--	--	160,200	93.7%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	16,100	7.4%	--	--	10,800	6.3%
So dissatisfied they want to move	8,200	3.7%	--	--	6,500	3.8%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		50.6%		--		60.4%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	191,900	98.6%	--	--	143,300	98.7%
Attend public school*	177,300	92.4%	--	--	134,600	93.9%
Attend private school*	29,800	15.6%	--	--	13,400	9.4%
Attend other school*	0	0.0%	--	--	0	0.0%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	247,100	94.0%	--	--	180,900	95.2%
Find crime bothersome	46,100	18.7%	--	--	25,100	13.9%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	34,900	14.1%	--	--	15,500	8.6%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		75.6%		--		61.6%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	--	--	--	--	--	--
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	--	--	--	--	--	--
Close to job	--	--	--	--	--	--
Close to family/friends	--	--	--	--	--	--
House or appearance of neighborhood	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other reason	--	--	--	--	--	--
All reasons important	--	--	--	--	--	--

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.2%	--	--	--	93.5%	--
Private	17.0%	--	--	--	11.0%	--
Other	0.0%	--	--	--	0.0%	--
	100%*	--	--	--	100%*	--
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	60.9%	--	--	--	73.3%	--
Black, non-Hispanic	21.7%	--	--	--	14.2%	--
Hispanic	14.0%	--	--	--	8.3%	--
Other, non-Hispanic	3.4%	--	--	--	4.2%	--
	100%	--	--	--	100%	--
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$59,754	--	--	--	\$73,612	--
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	25.3%	--	--	--	14.0%	--

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.8%	5.2%	--	--	93.6%	6.4%
Private	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	97.7%	2.3%	--	--	97.6%	2.4%
Black, non-Hispanic	--	--	--	--	--	--
Hispanic	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other, non-Hispanic	--	--	--	--	--	--
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	--	--	--	--	--	--

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	140,300	38.9%	--	--	--	--
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	125,600	89.5%	--	--	--	--
Satisfied with public elementary school	122,700	97.7%	--	--	--	--
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	2,900	2.3%	--	--	--	--
So dissatisfied they want to move	2,900	2.3%	--	--	--	--
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		100.0%				
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	--	--	--	--	--	--
Attend public school*	--	--	--	--	--	--
Attend private school*	--	--	--	--	--	--
Attend other school*	--	--	--	--	--	--
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	129,100	92.0%	--	--	--	--
Find crime bothersome	17,200	13.3%	--	--	--	--
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	7,500	5.8%	--	--	--	--
Proportion of bothered who want to move		43.8%				
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	--	--	--	--	--	--
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	--	--	--	--	--	--
Close to job	--	--	--	--	--	--
Close to family/friends	--	--	--	--	--	--
House or appearance of neighborhood	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other reason	--	--	--	--	--	--
All reasons important	--	--	--	--	--	--

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	--	--	--	--	--	--
Private	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$84,524	--	--	--	--	--
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	9.4%	--	--	--	--	--

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	--	--	--	--	--	--
Private	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	--	--	--	--	--	--

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. -- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U. *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school. **For confidentiality reasons, the suburb data only includes households in urbanized areas; "other urban" and "rural" areas are excluded. Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1995.

Norfolk-VA Beach-Newport News, VA Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Norfolk city		VA Beach city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	209,400	40.8%	32,700	38.0%	61,500	42.9%	115,200	40.6%
Schools								
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	171,600	81.9%	26,300	80.3%	49,800	80.9%	95,500	83.0%
Satisfied with public elementary school	155,600	90.7%	23,700	90.4%	45,600	91.7%	86,300	90.3%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	15,900	9.3%	2,500	9.6%	4,100	8.3%	9,300	9.7%
So dissatisfied they want to move	8,400	4.9%	1,100	4.3%	1,900	3.8%	5,300	5.6%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		52.5%		44.7%		46.3%		57.3%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	152,200	96.3%	23,000	96.9%	43,700	97.1%	85,500	95.8%
Attend public school*	139,800	91.8%	20,800	90.6%	39,900	91.3%	79,100	92.5%
Attend private school*	15,500	10.2%	2,500	10.9%	5,400	12.3%	7,600	8.8%
Attend other school*	1,800	1.2%	100	0.4%	0	0.0%	1,700	1.9%
Crime								
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	206,700	98.7%	32,200	98.6%	60,900	98.9%	113,600	98.6%
Find crime bothersome	46,600	22.5%	11,000	34.1%	12,800	21.0%	22,800	20.1%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	22,900	11.1%	6,800	21.1%	6,100	10.0%	10,100	8.9%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		49.3%		61.8%		47.5%		44.2%
Reasons for neighborhood choice								
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	60,900	29.1%	10,200	31.3%	18,900	30.8%	31,700	27.6%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood								
Schools	4,700	8.1%	400	4.0%	1,600	8.9%	2,700	9.0%
Close to job	6,300	10.8%	1,900	19.4%	1,700	9.5%	2,700	8.8%
Close to family/friends	3,800	6.6%	600	6.5%	1,000	5.5%	2,200	7.2%
House or appearance of neighborhood	17,700	30.4%	2,400	24.0%	6,500	36.2%	8,800	29.1%
Other reason	20,300	35.0%	4,000	39.7%	5,000	27.9%	11,400	37.6%
All reasons important	5,300	9.1%	600	6.4%	2,100	12.0%	2,500	8.3%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend								
Public	95.3%	69.0%	95.9%	---	94.7%	---	95.5%	72.7%
Private	7.7%	29.6%	6.2%	---	10.0%	---	6.9%	24.7%
Other	0.9%	4.8%	0.6%	---	0.0%	---	1.4%	8.6%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household								
White, non-Hispanic	61.9%	76.3%	39.5%	---	77.0%	---	60.1%	74.4%
Black, non-Hispanic	32.5%	20.3%	55.2%	---	16.1%	---	34.9%	21.0%
Hispanic	2.4%	2.7%	2.4%	---	2.4%	---	2.4%	3.4%
Other, non-Hispanic	3.2%	0.7%	2.9%	---	4.6%	---	2.6%	1.3%
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	---	100%	100%
Income and poverty								
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$38,023	\$48,575	\$25,407	---	\$42,496	---	\$40,259	\$48,759
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	24.7%	20.2%	43.3%	---	19.3%	---	22.4%	24.4%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend								
Public	93.8%	6.2%	92.2%	7.8%	95.1%	4.9%	93.5%	6.5%
Private	73.9%	26.1%	---	---	---	---	75.3%	24.7%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household								
White, non-Hispanic	88.8%	11.2%	83.7%	16.3%	91.1%	8.9%	88.2%	11.8%
Black, non-Hispanic	94.0%	6.0%	94.9%	5.1%	92.7%	7.3%	93.9%	6.1%
Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty								
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	92.3%	7.7%	95.5%	4.5%	94.9%	5.1%	89.5%	10.5%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	133,900	37.8%	63,800	46.4%	5,600	57.2%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	108,500	81.0%	53,800	84.3%	---	---
Satisfied with public elementary school	96,300	88.8%	50,600	94.0%	---	---
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	12,200	11.2%	3,200	6.0%	---	---
So dissatisfied they want to move	6,300	5.8%	1,800	3.4%	---	---
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		51.9%		56.1%		---
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	94,000	96.3%	49,600	96.0%	---	---
Attend public school*	84,300	89.7%	47,900	96.6%	---	---
Attend private school*	12,300	13.1%	1,900	3.8%	---	---
Attend other school*	1,200	1.3%	400	0.9%	---	---
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	132,300	98.8%	62,900	98.5%	5,500	97.9%
Find crime bothersome	27,500	20.8%	17,500	27.8%	1,000	18.2%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	12,200	9.2%	9,900	15.8%	700	12.5%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		44.4%		56.7%		69.0%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	36,800	27.5%	19,600	30.8%	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	3,200	9.0%	1,400	7.6%	---	---
Close to job	3,600	10.2%	2,200	12.1%	---	---
Close to family/friends	1,500	4.1%	1,900	10.5%	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	11,800	33.3%	4,900	26.6%	---	---
Other reason	11,500	32.4%	6,900	37.3%	---	---
All reasons important	3,900	11.0%	1,100	5.8%	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.9%	60.3%	97.7%	---	---	---
Private	10.4%	36.0%	2.8%	---	---	---
Other	0.9%	5.3%	0.6%	---	---	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$44,733	\$54,798	\$23,764	---	---	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	13.6%	9.1%	46.9%	---	---	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.6%	6.4%	93.6%	6.4%	---	---
Private	73.2%	26.8%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	92.2%	7.8%	92.9%	7.1%	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U. *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1992.

Oakland, CA Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Oakland city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	288,900	36.5%	55,100	38.9%	233,800	36.0%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	235,800	81.6%	47,200	85.7%	188,500	80.7%
Satisfied with public elementary school	191,800	81.4%	32,300	68.4%	159,500	84.6%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	44,000	18.6%	14,900	31.6%	29,000	15.4%
So dissatisfied they want to move	19,800	8.4%	9,900	20.9%	10,000	5.3%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		45.1%		66.0%		34.3%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	196,500	98.4%	40,100	98.3%	156,400	98.5%
Attend public school*	169,700	86.4%	32,200	80.4%	137,500	87.9%
Attend private school*	29,600	15.1%	8,900	22.1%	20,700	13.2%
Attend other school*	2,700	1.4%	600	1.4%	2,200	1.4%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	284,400	98.5%	53,700	97.4%	230,700	98.7%
Find crime bothersome	72,000	25.3%	20,800	38.8%	51,100	22.2%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	33,000	11.6%	12,300	22.9%	20,700	9.0%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		45.8%		59.0%		40.4%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	65,000	22.5%	---	---	54,100	23.1%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	5,700	9.3%	---	---	5,400	10.6%
Close to job	5,300	8.7%	---	---	5,000	9.8%
Close to family/friends	4,900	7.9%	---	---	3,700	7.4%
House or appearance of neighborhood	18,200	29.6%	---	---	15,300	30.1%
Other reason	22,500	36.6%	---	---	17,000	33.4%
All reasons important	4,800	7.9%	---	---	4,500	8.8%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.4%	56.5%	89.1%	---	95.6%	52.4%
Private	7.8%	44.7%	12.4%	---	6.7%	45.8%
Other	1.3%	2.7%	0.8%	---	1.4%	1.8%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	56.0%	53.0%	21.3%	---	63.1%	70.2%
Black, non-Hispanic	13.6%	20.7%	43.2%	---	7.6%	8.6%
Hispanic	16.1%	19.0%	15.9%	---	16.1%	13.8%
Other, non-Hispanic	14.3%	7.3%	19.6%	---	13.2%	7.4%
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$54,345	\$47,776	\$32,629	---	\$62,977	\$54,345
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	17.6%	22.0%	38.3%	---	13.4%	13.4%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	88.8%	11.2%	79.1%	20.9%	91.1%	8.9%
Private	45.1%	54.9%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	82.2%	17.8%	---	---	83.2%	16.8%
Black, non-Hispanic	74.1%	25.9%	67.8%	32.2%	---	---
Hispanic	78.7%	21.3%	---	---	86.5%	13.5%
Other, non-Hispanic	89.5%	10.5%	---	---	90.7%	9.3%
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	77.8%	22.2%	68.2%	31.8%	84.6%	15.4%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	156,500	30.8%	42,400	42.1%	48,700	58.7%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	130,700	83.6%	35,300	83.1%	39,200	80.5%
Satisfied with public elementary school	107,400	82.2%	26,100	74.1%	30,900	78.7%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	23,300	17.8%	9,100	25.9%	8,400	21.3%
So dissatisfied they want to move	9,700	7.4%	5,500	15.5%	4,000	10.2%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		41.7%		59.9%		47.7%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	104,700	98.2%	30,100	98.8%	34,900	97.6%
Attend public school*	88,600	84.7%	25,200	83.7%	32,200	92.4%
Attend private school*	17,400	16.6%	5,900	19.7%	3,100	8.8%
Attend other school*	900	0.9%	400	1.3%	400	1.0%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	154,900	99.0%	41,700	98.3%	48,000	98.6%
Find crime bothersome	39,300	25.4%	14,800	35.6%	13,700	28.5%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	14,700	9.5%	7,900	19.0%	7,600	15.9%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		37.5%		53.3%		55.6%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	31,400	20.1%	---	---	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	3,600	12.3%	---	---	---	---
Close to job	1,700	5.8%	---	---	---	---
Close to family/friends	2,700	9.1%	---	---	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	9,500	32.1%	---	---	---	---
Other reason	9,900	33.5%	---	---	---	---
All reasons important	2,100	7.2%	---	---	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.6%	---	94.3%	---	98.4%	---
Private	9.0%	---	7.6%	---	3.2%	---
Other	0.9%	---	0.0%	---	1.4%	---
	100%*	---	100%*	---	100%*	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$68,867	\$57,548	\$32,031	---	\$34,746	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	8.6%	11.2%	33.2%	---	32.8%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	89.2%	10.8%	83.7%	16.3%	86.5%	13.5%
Private	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	---	---	---	---	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area.

--- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1993.

Oklahoma City, OK Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Oklahoma City		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	142,000	36.8%	65,400	36.1%	76,500	37.3%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	126,600	89.2%	56,500	86.4%	70,100	91.6%
Satisfied with public elementary school	110,600	87.4%	47,800	84.6%	62,800	89.7%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	16,000	12.6%	8,700	15.4%	7,200	10.3%
So dissatisfied they want to move	8,100	6.4%	5,400	9.6%	2,600	3.7%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		50.4%		62.2%		36.2%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	105,500	97.6%	46,800	97.7%	58,600	97.5%
Attend public school*	97,900	92.9%	42,600	91.0%	55,300	94.3%
Attend private school*	7,000	6.6%	3,800	8.2%	3,200	5.4%
Attend other school*	2,000	1.9%	1,300	2.8%	600	1.1%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	141,100	99.4%	65,000	99.3%	76,100	99.4%
Find crime bothersome	29,200	20.7%	16,900	26.0%	12,300	16.2%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	10,900	7.7%	7,300	11.2%	3,600	4.8%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		37.4%		43.1%		29.5%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	35,500	25.0%	18,200	27.7%	17,300	22.7%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	4,000	12.4%	1,800	10.5%	2,300	14.5%
Close to job	3,500	10.8%	2,000	11.9%	1,500	9.7%
Close to family/friends	3,600	11.1%	1,800	10.8%	1,800	11.4%
House or appearance of neighborhood	10,100	31.0%	5,300	30.9%	4,800	31.0%
Other reason	7,400	22.6%	3,900	23.0%	3,400	22.1%
All reasons important	3,900	12.1%	2,200	12.9%	1,800	11.3%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	95.9%	72.6%	95.6%	61.7%	96.1%	---
Private	4.1%	26.3%	4.6%	31.7%	3.7%	---
Other	1.3%	4.8%	2.0%	9.0%	0.7%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	75.7%	77.4%	65.7%	66.0%	83.2%	91.2%
Black, non-Hispanic	10.2%	10.4%	15.7%	16.7%	5.9%	2.9%
Hispanic	6.8%	4.1%	11.7%	6.4%	3.2%	1.5%
Other, non-Hispanic	7.3%	8.0%	6.9%	11.0%	7.7%	4.4%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$39,100	\$33,600	\$36,408	\$28,900	\$40,000	\$35,014
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	27.3%	31.3%	31.1%	32.6%	24.5%	29.7%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	91.7%	8.3%	91.2%	8.8%	92.0%	8.0%
Private	56.6%	43.4%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	87.1%	12.9%	84.5%	15.5%	88.8%	11.2%
Black, non-Hispanic	87.1%	12.9%	83.8%	16.2%	---	---
Hispanic	91.9%	8.1%	90.9%	9.0%	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	86.4%	13.6%	---	---	93.8%	6.2%
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	85.8%	14.2%	83.9%	16.1%	87.7%	12.3%

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	106,700	34.4%	14,500	43.4%	9,800	51.9%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	96,100	90.0%	12,900	89.0%	8,200	83.7%
Satisfied with public elementary school	83,700	87.1%	11,200	87.1%	7,600	91.9%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	12,400	12.9%	1,700	12.9%	700	8.1%
So dissatisfied they want to move	6,200	6.5%	1,200	9.4%	100	1.3%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		50.2%		72.5%		16.2%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	79,700	97.4%	12,100	99.1%	6,400	96.4%
Attend public school*	73,100	91.7%	11,600	95.7%	6,100	96.5%
Attend private school*	5,900	7.3%	700	6.1%	100	1.8%
Attend other school*	1,800	2.2%	100	0.8%	100	1.7%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	106,000	99.3%	14,400	99.2%	9,800	100.0%
Find crime bothersome	21,600	20.3%	3,200	22.3%	2,000	20.8%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	7,300	6.9%	2,000	13.7%	700	6.8%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		33.9%		61.3%		32.6%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	24,600	23.1%	---	---	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	3,300	14.7%	---	---	---	---
Close to job	2,700	11.8%	---	---	---	---
Close to family/friends	2,500	11.1%	---	---	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	6,500	29.0%	---	---	---	---
Other reason	4,700	20.7%	---	---	---	---
All reasons important	2,900	12.7%	---	---	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	95.3%	70.7%	98.9%	---	---	---
Private	4.4%	27.6%	3.3%	---	---	---
Other	1.5%	5.0%	0.0%	---	---	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$43,000	\$36,000	\$19,000	---	\$19,150	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	19.9%	27.0%	55.4%	---	61.4%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.0%	8.0%	91.7%	8.3%	---	---
Private	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	83.3%	16.7%	88.9%	11.1%	---	---

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--- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate.

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Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1996.

Philadelphia, PA-NJ Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and
Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Philadelphia city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	613,700	34.9%	222,500	35.1%	391,200	34.9%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	524,700	85.5%	181,400	81.5%	343,300	87.8%
Satisfied with public elementary school	445,200	84.9%	134,700	74.3%	310,500	90.5%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	79,400	15.1%	46,600	25.7%	32,800	9.5%
So dissatisfied they want to move	37,700	7.2%	28,200	15.6%	9,500	2.8%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		47.5%		60.5%		29.1%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	455,800	99.4%	157,500	99.4%	298,400	99.3%
Attend public school*	355,800	78.0%	110,600	70.2%	245,200	82.2%
Attend private school*	114,400	25.1%	53,100	33.7%	61,400	20.6%
Attend other school*	8,400	1.8%	5,300	3.4%	3,100	1.0%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	602,100	98.1%	218,200	98.1%	383,800	98.1%
Find crime bothersome	155,900	25.9%	103,400	47.4%	52,500	13.7%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	83,600	13.9%	66,200	30.3%	17,400	4.5%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		53.6%		64.0%		33.2%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	72,900	11.9%	--	--	--	--
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	10,700	18.5%	--	--	--	--
Close to job	13,500	23.4%	--	--	--	--
Close to family/friends	5,800	10.0%	--	--	--	--
House or appearance of neighborhood	13,200	22.9%	--	--	--	--
Other reason	9,600	16.6%	--	--	--	--
All reasons important	5,000	8.6%	--	--	--	--

Distribution of Households by
Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	89.3%	44.3%	89.5%	--	89.2%	--
Private	13.8%	58.1%	16.8%	--	12.7%	--
Other	1.8%	3.7%	3.0%	--	1.4%	--
	100%*	100%*	100%*	--	100%*	--
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	68.2%	58.0%	29.2%	39.5%	85.2%	--
Black, non-Hispanic	22.3%	31.4%	52.1%	48.3%	9.4%	--
Hispanic	5.3%	6.9%	13.9%	5.8%	1.5%	--
Other, non-Hispanic	4.2%	3.8%	4.9%	6.4%	3.9%	--
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	--
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$48,798	\$36,651	\$24,437	\$27,509	\$60,485	--
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	24.4%	34.3%	54.8%	43.0%	11.2%	--

Proportion of Households Satisfied
and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.3%	7.7%	84.3%	15.7%	95.8%	4.2%
Private	58.5%	41.5%	--	--	--	--
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	86.8%	13.2%	68.1%	31.9%	90.6%	9.4%
Black, non-Hispanic	79.9%	20.1%	75.7%	24.3%	--	--
Hispanic	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other, non-Hispanic	--	--	--	--	--	--
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	79.9%	20.1%	78.6%	21.4%	--	--

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	409,500	31.8%	146,200	40.8%	---	---
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	349,800	85.4%	124,300	85.0%	---	---
Satisfied with public elementary school	303,700	86.8%	99,400	79.9%	---	---
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	46,000	13.2%	24,900	20.1%	---	---
So dissatisfied they want to move	14,600	4.2%	16,800	13.5%	---	---
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		31.8%		67.3%	---	---
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	303,800	99.3%	104,800	99.1%	---	---
Attend public school*	230,400	75.9%	86,800	82.8%	---	---
Attend private school*	82,200	27.1%	21,400	20.5%	---	---
Attend other school*	4,900	1.6%	3,500	3.3%	---	---
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	401,900	98.2%	143,000	97.8%	---	---
Find crime bothersome	78,500	19.5%	62,700	43.8%	---	---
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	29,600	7.4%	46,600	32.6%	---	---
Proportion of bothered who want to move		37.7%		74.3%	---	---
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	---	---	---	---	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	---	---	---	---	---	---
Close to job	---	---	---	---	---	---
Close to family/friends	---	---	---	---	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other reason	---	---	---	---	---	---
All reasons important	---	---	---	---	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	89.1%	---	92.3%	---	---	---
Private	12.9%	---	12.7%	---	---	---
Other	1.5%	---	3.7%	---	---	---
	100%*	---	100%*	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$57,756	---	\$18,488	---	---	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	10.7%	---	57.3%	---	---	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	96.4%	3.6%	84.4%	15.6%	---	---
Private	54.6%	45.4%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	---	---	78.7%	21.3%	---	---

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Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1995.

Phoenix, AZ Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Phoenix city		Mesa city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	316,500	35.3%	115,100	34.9%	49,100	44.1%	152,300	33.5%
Schools								
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	267,400	84.5%	94,400	82.0%	43,200	87.9%	129,800	85.2%
Satisfied with public elementary school	234,700	87.8%	80,800	85.6%	38,300	88.6%	115,600	89.0%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	32,700	12.2%	13,600	14.4%	4,900	11.4%	14,200	11.0%
So dissatisfied they want to move	15,000	5.6%	8,900	9.4%	1,700	4.0%	4,400	3.4%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		45.7%		65.4%		35.2%		30.6%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	232,700	97.9%	83,200	97.8%	35,900	98.3%	113,600	97.9%
Attend public school*	214,500	92.2%	77,100	92.6%	33,600	93.7%	103,800	91.3%
Attend private school*	19,400	8.4%	6,700	8.0%	2,400	6.8%	10,300	9.1%
Attend other school*	3,100	1.3%	400	0.4%	400	1.1%	2,400	2.1%
Crime								
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	312,700	98.8%	113,600	98.7%	48,900	99.5%	150,200	98.6%
Find crime bothersome	89,800	28.7%	41,400	36.5%	11,300	23.2%	37,100	24.7%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	43,200	13.8%	24,400	21.5%	5,100	10.4%	13,800	9.2%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		48.1%		58.9%		44.8%		37.1%
Reasons for neighborhood choice								
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	91,500	28.9%	37,800	32.8%	13,800	28.1%	39,900	26.2%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood								
Schools	10,100	11.6%	2,300	6.5%	3,300	25.0%	4,500	11.6%
Close to job	13,200	15.2%	5,100	14.7%	2,800	21.0%	5,300	13.8%
Close to family/friends	8,200	9.5%	4,600	13.3%	500	4.0%	3,100	7.9%
House or appearance of neighborhood	21,500	24.7%	8,000	23.1%	2,700	20.0%	10,800	27.7%
Other reason	17,600	20.2%	6,700	19.4%	2,300	17.4%	8,500	21.9%
All reasons important	16,300	18.8%	8,000	23.0%	1,700	12.6%	6,600	17.1%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend								
Public	96.3%	77.3%	97.0%	--	94.9%	--	96.4%	--
Private	4.8%	25.0%	3.7%	--	5.9%	--	5.1%	--
Other	0.9%	2.3%	0.0%	--	1.5%	--	1.2%	--
	100%*	100%*	100%*	--	100%*	--	100%*	--
Race/Ethnicity of household								
White, non-Hispanic	66.2%	76.1%	52.2%	66.4%	76.4%	--	72.6%	85.5%
Black, non-Hispanic	4.2%	3.6%	7.4%	4.6%	1.6%	--	2.8%	2.7%
Hispanic	26.1%	17.6%	35.4%	27.4%	19.9%	--	21.5%	7.1%
Other, non-Hispanic	3.5%	2.7%	4.9%	1.6%	2.1%	--	3.1%	4.7%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	--	100%	100%
Income and poverty								
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$41,874	\$34,418	\$28,585	\$29,220	\$48,700	--	\$47,642	\$49,759
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	20.4%	21.9%	31.0%	33.7%	12.9%	--	15.5%	13.1%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend								
Public	90.9%	9.1%	89.4%	10.6%	91.3%	8.7%	91.9%	8.1%
Private	60.5%	39.5%	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Race/Ethnicity of household								
White, non-Hispanic	86.2%	13.8%	82.4%	17.6%	88.7%	11.3%	87.3%	12.7%
Black, non-Hispanic	89.4%	10.6%	--	--	--	--	--	--
Hispanic	91.4%	8.6%	88.5%	11.5%	--	--	96.1%	3.9%
Other, non-Hispanic	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Poverty								
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	87.0%	13.0%	84.6%	15.4%	--	--	90.5%	9.5%

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	213,600	30.1%	13,200	43.0%	78,000	59.8%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	180,300	84.4%	11,000	83.5%	66,900	85.8%
Satisfied with public elementary school	155,400	86.2%	9,800	89.4%	61,200	91.4%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	24,900	13.8%	1,200	10.6%	5,800	8.6%
So dissatisfied they want to move	10,400	5.8%	400	3.2%	3,500	5.3%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		41.8%		30.2%		61.3%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	154,600	97.8%	9,700	100.0%	59,300	97.6%
Attend public school*	139,500	90.3%	9,700	100.0%	57,100	96.3%
Attend private school*	16,500	10.7%	200	1.8%	2,000	3.4%
Attend other school*	2,200	1.4%	200	2.3%	500	0.9%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	210,800	98.7%	12,500	95.2%	77,600	99.5%
Find crime bothersome	63,600	30.2%	3,500	27.9%	19,900	25.6%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	27,800	13.2%	1,400	11.5%	12,100	15.5%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		43.7%		41.1%		60.6%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	54,800	25.7%	--	--	26,800	34.3%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	7,200	13.7%	--	--	1,800	7.4%
Close to job	8,300	15.7%	--	--	4,000	16.3%
Close to family/friends	5,400	10.2%	--	--	2,700	11.0%
House or appearance of neighborhood	12,900	24.4%	--	--	5,900	24.2%
Other reason	10,200	19.3%	--	--	5,200	21.3%
All reasons important	8,800	16.8%	--	--	4,800	19.7%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	95.3%	72.4%	--	--	98.5%	--
Private	6.5%	29.3%	--	--	1.0%	--
Other	0.9%	3.2%	--	--	0.5%	--
	100%*	100%*	--	--	100%*	--
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$48,705	\$44,466	\$24,403	--	\$26,468	--
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	11.9%	13.4%	41.0%	--	37.8%	--

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	90.6%	9.4%	--	--	91.8%	8.2%
Private	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	84.8%	15.2%	--	--	89.1%	10.9%

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. -- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U. *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1994.

Pittsburgh, PA Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and
Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Pittsburgh city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	296,900	30.6%	37,400	24.9%	259,500	31.7%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	272,800	91.9%	33,700	89.9%	239,100	92.1%
Satisfied with public elementary school	243,800	89.4%	26,100	77.7%	217,600	91.0%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	29,000	10.6%	7,500	22.3%	21,500	9.0%
So dissatisfied they want to move	11,900	4.4%	3,500	10.3%	8,400	3.5%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		40.9%		46.3%		39.0%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	223,900	98.9%	26,100	98.1%	197,800	99.1%
Attend public school*	193,500	86.4%	19,900	76.5%	173,600	87.7%
Attend private school*	35,800	16.0%	7,400	28.4%	28,400	14.3%
Attend other school*	3,400	1.5%	0	0.0%	3,400	1.7%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	293,300	98.8%	36,700	98.0%	256,600	98.9%
Find crime bothersome	37,000	12.6%	13,700	37.3%	23,300	9.1%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	19,700	6.7%	8,800	24.0%	10,900	4.2%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		53.3%		64.5%		46.7%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	34,600	11.7%	--	--	28,500	11.0%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	2,700	8.3%	--	--	2,400	9.1%
Close to job	3,500	10.9%	--	--	3,000	11.1%
Close to family/friends	4,200	13.0%	--	--	2,400	9.0%
House or appearance of neighborhood	11,500	35.6%	--	--	10,100	37.5%
Other reason	7,000	21.5%	--	--	5,700	21.3%
All reasons important	3,500	10.7%	--	--	3,200	11.9%

Distribution of Households by
Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	90.9%	64.5%	87.9%	--	91.2%	68.3%
Private	11.4%	42.5%	17.0%	--	10.8%	41.1%
Other	1.3%	1.5%	0.0%	--	1.4%	2.0%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	--	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	88.3%	83.4%	56.9%	--	92.1%	89.2%
Black, non-Hispanic	9.5%	14.0%	37.2%	--	6.2%	9.6%
Hispanic	0.6%	1.0%	0.9%	--	0.6%	1.3%
Other, non-Hispanic	1.5%	1.6%	4.9%	--	1.1%	0.0%
	100%	100%	100%	--	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$43,238	\$37,269	\$31,195	--	\$44,279	\$39,122
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	20.1%	21.7%	38.4%	--	17.9%	21.0%

Proportion of Households Satisfied
and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.9%	7.1%	86.6%	13.4%	93.7%	6.3%
Private	71.4%	28.6%	--	--	74.4%	25.6%
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	89.9%	10.1%	74.7%	25.3%	91.3%	8.7%
Black, non-Hispanic	85.1%	14.9%	82.8%	17.2%	86.8%	13.2%
Hispanic	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other, non-Hispanic	--	--	--	--	--	--
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	88.6%	11.4%	85.1%	14.9%	89.6%	10.4%

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	261,100	29.6%	29,400	42.4%	---	---
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	239,500	91.7%	27,300	93.0%	---	---
Satisfied with public elementary school	215,300	89.9%	23,200	85.1%	---	---
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	24,200	10.1%	4,100	14.9%	---	---
So dissatisfied they want to move	9,800	4.1%	2,000	7.4%	---	---
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		40.7%		49.7%	---	---
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	195,600	98.9%	23,000	98.8%	---	---
Attend public school*	168,300	86.0%	21,200	92.3%	---	---
Attend private school*	32,200	16.5%	2,300	10.0%	---	---
Attend other school*	3,100	1.6%	300	1.1%	---	---
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	257,900	98.8%	28,800	98.3%	---	---
Find crime bothersome	26,300	10.2%	10,400	36.1%	---	---
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	11,800	4.6%	7,600	26.3%	---	---
Proportion of bothered who want to move		45.1%		72.9%	---	---
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	29,100	11.2%	---	---	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	2,200	8.0%	---	---	---	---
Close to job	3,300	12.0%	---	---	---	---
Close to family/friends	3,200	11.8%	---	---	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	9,900	36.3%	---	---	---	---
Other reason	5,700	21.1%	---	---	---	---
All reasons important	3,000	10.9%	---	---	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	90.2%	63.2%	97.1%	---	---	---
Private	12.3%	43.6%	4.4%	---	---	---
Other	1.5%	0.0%	0.0%	---	---	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$45,454	\$43,292	\$16,031	---	---	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	16.3%	17.8%	56.6%	---	---	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.4%	6.6%	88.2%	11.8%	---	---
Private	73.7%	26.3%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	89.0%	11.0%	88.3%	11.7%	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U. *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1995.

Portland, OR-WA Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Portland city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	223,900	34.2%	52,100	27.1%	171,700	37.1%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	192,000	85.8%	43,300	83.0%	148,800	86.6%
Satisfied with public elementary school	165,900	86.4%	36,200	83.6%	129,700	87.2%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	26,100	13.6%	7,100	16.4%	19,000	12.8%
So dissatisfied they want to move	9,200	4.8%	2,000	4.7%	7,100	4.8%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		35.2%		28.5%		37.6%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	171,200	97.8%	40,000	97.7%	131,100	97.8%
Attend public school*	152,800	89.2%	33,800	84.4%	119,000	90.7%
Attend private school*	20,900	12.2%	7,500	18.8%	13,400	10.2%
Attend other school*	4,900	2.8%	2,000	5.1%	2,800	2.2%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	222,200	99.3%	51,900	99.6%	170,300	99.2%
Find crime bothersome	52,300	23.6%	19,400	37.3%	33,000	19.4%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	17,800	8.0%	6,900	13.3%	10,900	6.4%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		34.1%		35.7%		33.1%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	50,600	22.6%	9,900	19.1%	40,700	23.7%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	5,500	10.9%	1,300	12.9%	4,200	10.5%
Close to job	4,700	9.4%	900	9.0%	3,800	9.5%
Close to family/friends	2,900	5.9%	700	7.2%	2,200	5.5%
House or appearance of neighborhood	15,600	31.3%	4,100	41.0%	11,600	28.9%
Other reason	15,400	30.9%	2,600	26.1%	12,800	32.0%
All reasons important	5,800	11.6%	400	3.8%	5,400	13.6%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.8%	62.0%	92.8%	---	95.4%	63.6%
Private	7.3%	35.4%	11.2%	---	6.1%	31.5%
Other	2.3%	7.2%	4.0%	---	1.8%	7.9%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	89.0%	88.1%	79.3%	---	91.6%	91.6%
Black, non-Hispanic	1.5%	4.2%	5.5%	---	0.4%	0.9%
Hispanic	5.3%	6.3%	7.6%	---	4.7%	5.7%
Other, non-Hispanic	4.2%	1.3%	7.6%	---	3.3%	1.8%
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$49,366	\$42,211	\$41,181	---	\$51,476	\$45,887
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	13.3%	16.3%	22.1%	---	10.8%	12.8%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.4%	7.6%	92.2%	7.8%	92.4%	7.6%
Private	62.0%	38.0%	---	---	61.0%	39.0%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	86.5%	13.5%	83.7%	16.3%	87.2%	12.8%
Black, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Hispanic	84.3%	15.8%	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	83.8%	16.2%	81.3%	18.7%	85.2%	14.8%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	196,500	32.9%	---	---	12,900	58.0%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	170,600	86.8%	---	---	10,500	81.4%
Satisfied with public elementary school	147,600	86.5%	---	---	8,800	84.2%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	23,000	13.5%	---	---	1,600	15.8%
So dissatisfied they want to move	7,700	4.5%	---	---	1,100	10.6%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		33.5%	---	---		67.4%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	151,400	98.0%	---	---	9,500	92.7%
Attend public school*	134,600	89.0%	---	---	9,000	94.3%
Attend private school*	19,200	12.7%	---	---	700	7.6%
Attend other school*	4,700	3.1%	---	---	0	0.0%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	195,200	99.3%	---	---	12,900	100.0%
Find crime bothersome	46,500	23.8%	---	---	2,700	20.9%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	15,000	7.7%	---	---	1,400	11.2%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		32.3%	---	---		53.5%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	42,700	21.7%	---	---	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	4,600	10.8%	---	---	---	---
Close to job	4,200	9.8%	---	---	---	---
Close to family/friends	2,600	6.1%	---	---	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	12,300	29.2%	---	---	---	---
Other reason	13,400	31.7%	---	---	---	---
All reasons important	5,300	12.4%	---	---	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.5%	57.5%	---	---	---	---
Private	7.7%	39.5%	---	---	---	---
Other	2.6%	8.3%	---	---	---	---
	100%*	100%*	---	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$50,666	\$44,996	---	---	\$36,620	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	11.5%	13.7%	---	---	20.8%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.0%	7.0%	---	---	---	---
Private	61.2%	38.8%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	84.3%	15.7%	---	---	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area.

--- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1995.

Providence-Warwick-Pawtucket, RI-MA Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Providence-Warwick** cities		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	124,300	32.7%	26,500	32.9%	97,800	32.6%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	110,500	88.9%	23,400	88.1%	87,100	89.1%
Satisfied with public elementary school	97,700	88.4%	19,300	82.8%	78,400	90.0%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	12,800	11.6%	4,000	17.2%	8,700	10.0%
So dissatisfied they want to move	6,900	6.2%	2,500	10.6%	4,400	5.1%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		53.9%		61.6%		50.4%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	92,400	97.3%	19,300	95.5%	73,200	97.8%
Attend public school*	82,600	89.4%	16,800	87.0%	65,900	90.1%
Attend private school*	11,300	12.2%	2,800	14.6%	8,500	11.6%
Attend other school*	1,900	2.1%	200	0.8%	1,700	2.4%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	124,200	99.9%	26,500	100.0%	97,600	99.8%
Find crime bothersome	20,800	16.8%	7,400	27.8%	13,500	13.8%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	9,400	7.6%	4,500	17.1%	4,900	5.0%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		45.3%		61.4%		36.4%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	22,900	18.5%	6,300	23.6%	16,700	17.1%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	2,000	8.8%	500	7.8%	1,500	9.2%
Close to job	1,200	5.4%	400	5.8%	900	5.2%
Close to family/friends	2,700	12.1%	600	10.5%	2,100	12.7%
House or appearance of neighborhood	8,200	35.9%	2,600	42.3%	5,500	33.5%
Other reason	5,100	22.3%	1,600	26.5%	3,400	20.7%
All reasons important	3,500	15.5%	400	7.2%	3,100	18.6%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.7%	74.1%	89.2%	---	93.6%	74.0%
Private	9.2%	27.7%	11.9%	---	8.5%	28.4%
Other	1.9%	4.0%	1.2%	---	2.0%	5.4%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	87.0%	87.3%	62.1%	---	93.2%	93.4%
Black, non-Hispanic	4.4%	3.5%	12.9%	---	2.3%	0.0%
Hispanic	5.5%	6.4%	16.5%	---	2.8%	3.5%
Other, non-Hispanic	3.0%	2.7%	8.5%	---	1.6%	3.1%
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$44,621	\$40,539	\$28,553	---	\$46,969	\$43,614
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	20.3%	23.7%	40.7%	---	15.2%	16.7%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	91.1%	8.9%	88.4%	11.6%	91.7%	8.3%
Private	72.9%	27.1%	---	---	72.3%	27.7%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	88.4%	11.6%	80.1%	19.9%	89.9%	10.1%
Black, non-Hispanic	90.6%	9.4%	---	---	---	---
Hispanic	86.9%	13.1%	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	86.7%	13.3%	83.4%	16.6%	89.1%	10.9%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	107,900	31.0%	5,600	46.3%	7,000	53.3%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	96,200	89.2%	4,800	86.1%	6,200	88.5%
Satisfied with public elementary school	85,000	88.4%	4,300	90.6%	5,400	86.9%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	11,200	11.6%	500	9.4%	800	13.1%
So dissatisfied they want to move	6,100	6.3%	100	1.7%	600	8.9%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		54.6%		18.3%		68.1%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	80,900	97.6%	3,900	97.4%	4,800	95.1%
Attend public school*	72,500	89.5%	3,600	92.7%	4,200	88.4%
Attend private school*	9,800	12.1%	400	9.4%	600	12.4%
Attend other school*	1,700	2.1%	0	0.0%	100	1.6%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	107,900	100.0%	5,500	98.2%	7,000	99.0%
Find crime bothersome	17,100	15.8%	1,500	27.5%	1,200	17.2%
So bothersome they want to move	7,400	6.8%	800	14.3%	700	9.4%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		43.0%		51.9%		54.4%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	17,700	16.4%	---	---	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	1,600	9.1%	---	---	---	---
Close to job	500	3.0%	---	---	---	---
Close to family/friends	1,900	10.8%	---	---	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	6,400	36.4%	---	---	---	---
Other reason	4,000	22.7%	---	---	---	---
All reasons important	3,100	18.0%	---	---	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.1%	71.8%	---	---	---	---
Private	8.7%	30.2%	---	---	---	---
Other	2.0%	4.7%	---	---	---	---
	100%*	100%*	---	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$47,193	\$42,496	\$17,863	---	\$14,313	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	15.1%	19.1%	55.9%	---	65.4%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	91.5%	8.5%	---	---	---	---
Private	70.6%	29.4%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	85.8%	14.2%	---	---	87.8%	12.2%

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U. *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school. **The survey does not permit separate analysis of these cities. Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1992.

Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Riverside city		San Bernardino-Ontario** cities		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	408,400	43.8%	32,300	38.4%	45,000	54.0%	331,100	43.3%
Schools								
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	360,100	88.2%	24,300	75.1%	40,200	89.3%	295,600	89.3%
Satisfied with public elementary school	319,300	88.7%	22,700	93.5%	35,600	88.6%	261,100	88.3%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	40,700	11.3%	1,600	6.5%	4,600	11.4%	34,600	11.7%
So dissatisfied they want to move	21,200	5.9%	1,200	4.9%	2,200	5.4%	17,900	6.0%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		52.0%		74.3%		47.2%		51.7%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	316,400	98.8%	23,900	97.7%	34,900	98.8%	257,600	98.9%
Attend public school*	286,800	90.7%	21,300	88.9%	31,500	90.4%	234,000	90.9%
Attend private school*	27,800	8.8%	2,300	9.8%	3,600	10.3%	21,900	8.5%
Attend other school*	5,200	1.6%	900	3.9%	0	0.0%	4,300	1.7%
Crime								
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	407,200	99.7%	32,300	100.0%	44,800	99.5%	330,100	99.7%
Find crime bothersome	102,400	25.2%	8,400	26.0%	16,700	37.4%	77,300	23.4%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	52,500	12.9%	4,800	14.7%	10,700	23.9%	37,000	11.2%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		51.3%		56.7%		64.0%		47.9%
Reasons for neighborhood choice								
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	112,600	27.6%	---	---	14,600	32.4%	89,800	27.1%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood								
Schools	7,100	6.4%	---	---	1,800	12.2%	5,000	5.6%
Close to job	11,700	10.5%	---	---	1,900	13.1%	9,300	10.5%
Close to family/friends	13,100	11.7%	---	---	2,800	19.5%	9,600	10.8%
House or appearance of neighborhood	47,400	42.5%	---	---	6,000	41.8%	37,000	41.7%
Other reason	22,400	20.1%	---	---	1,400	10.0%	18,900	21.2%
All reasons important	9,800	8.8%	---	---	500	3.5%	9,000	10.1%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend								
Public	95.0%	75.1%	93.9%	---	93.4%	---	95.3%	77.1%
Private	5.3%	22.7%	6.1%	---	7.5%	---	5.0%	21.6%
Other	0.9%	3.8%	2.6%	---	0.0%	---	0.9%	3.3%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household								
White, non-Hispanic	50.8%	64.1%	47.8%	---	32.2%	---	53.6%	65.9%
Black, non-Hispanic	8.4%	8.6%	2.7%	---	17.3%	---	7.6%	7.5%
Hispanic	35.8%	22.9%	46.6%	---	47.9%	---	33.3%	22.1%
Other, non-Hispanic	5.0%	4.4%	2.9%	---	2.7%	---	5.5%	4.5%
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	---	100%	100%
Income and poverty								
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$34,937	\$40,231	\$31,764	---	\$25,409	---	\$37,055	\$40,231
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	29.5%	25.2%	31.2%	---	44.6%	---	27.3%	25.3%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend								
Public	91.9%	8.1%	95.9%	4.1%	92.5%	7.5%	91.4%	8.6%
Private	67.7%	32.3%	---	---	---	---	66.4%	33.6%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household								
White, non-Hispanic	86.1%	13.9%	91.6%	8.4%	82.9%	17.1%	86.0%	14.0%
Black, non-Hispanic	88.4%	11.6%	---	---	---	---	88.5%	11.5%
Hispanic	92.5%	7.5%	96.1%	3.9%	93.2%	6.8%	91.9%	8.1%
Other, non-Hispanic	89.9%	10.1%	---	---	---	---	90.2%	9.8%
Poverty								
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	90.2%	9.8%	---	---	93.0%	7.0%	89.1%	10.9%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	212,400	34.2%	33,900	52.9%	140,100	67.7%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	188,300	88.7%	30,200	88.9%	123,700	88.3%
Satisfied with public elementary school	162,200	86.1%	26,700	88.4%	114,400	92.5%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	26,100	13.9%	3,500	11.6%	9,300	7.5%
So dissatisfied they want to move	13,900	7.4%	2,300	7.5%	4,500	3.7%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		53.0%		65.2%		48.7%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	162,200	98.5%	26,900	97.9%	110,400	99.4%
Attend public school*	144,400	89.0%	25,300	94.0%	101,700	92.1%
Attend private school*	17,300	10.6%	2,000	7.4%	7,000	6.3%
Attend other school*	2,400	1.5%	0	0.0%	2,500	2.3%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	211,600	99.6%	33,900	100.0%	140,000	99.9%
Find crime bothersome	58,700	27.8%	9,300	27.4%	31,000	22.2%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	29,200	13.8%	4,600	13.7%	17,100	12.2%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		49.7%		49.9%		55.1%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	52,100	24.5%	10,700	31.6%	45,300	32.3%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	3,500	6.7%	900	8.3%	2,300	5.1%
Close to job	6,300	12.2%	1,000	9.6%	4,200	9.3%
Close to family/friends	5,500	10.7%	700	6.8%	6,600	14.7%
House or appearance of neighborhood	20,800	40.5%	5,200	48.1%	19,800	44.1%
Other reason	12,100	23.6%	1,700	15.4%	7,500	16.8%
All reasons important	3,300	6.3%	1,300	11.8%	4,500	10.0%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.2%	71.1%	95.7%	---	96.0%	---
Private	7.1%	22.4%	4.3%	---	3.3%	---
Other	0.4%	6.5%	0.0%	---	1.8%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$47,411	\$41,862	\$21,598	---	\$25,112	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	18.0%	21.2%	47.6%	---	42.7%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	91.0%	9.0%	89.8%	10.2%	93.7%	6.3%
Private	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	84.1%	15.9%	90.2%	9.8%	94.4%	5.6%

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

**The survey does not permit separate analysis of these cities.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1994.

Rochester, NY Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Rochester city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	132,800	35.3%	31,000	33.8%	101,900	35.8%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	119,500	89.9%	25,300	81.8%	94,100	92.4%
Satisfied with public elementary school	110,900	92.8%	20,800	82.3%	90,100	95.7%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	8,500	7.2%	4,500	17.7%	4,100	4.3%
So dissatisfied they want to move	3,600	3.0%	2,000	8.0%	1,600	1.7%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		42.0%		45.0%		38.7%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	98,000	97.0%	21,200	96.3%	76,900	97.2%
Attend public school*	89,800	91.6%	17,800	84.1%	72,000	93.6%
Attend private school*	10,300	10.5%	3,900	18.3%	6,400	8.3%
Attend other school*	1,300	1.4%	400	1.9%	900	1.2%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	132,300	99.6%	30,500	98.5%	101,800	99.9%
Find crime bothersome	23,900	18.0%	12,500	41.1%	11,300	11.1%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	9,700	7.4%	7,300	24.0%	2,400	2.4%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		40.8%		58.4%		21.4%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	23,500	17.7%	8,600	27.8%	14,800	14.6%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	1,400	6.5%	200	2.5%	1,200	8.9%
Close to job	1,800	8.3%	600	7.2%	1,200	8.9%
Close to family/friends	3,600	16.5%	2,000	24.3%	1,700	11.9%
House or appearance of neighborhood	6,600	30.1%	3,100	38.4%	3,500	25.3%
Other reason	5,600	25.6%	1,900	24.0%	3,700	26.6%
All reasons important	2,800	12.9%	300	3.5%	2,600	18.4%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.7%	47.8%	91.6%	---	95.5%	---
Private	8.2%	49.1%	12.9%	---	7.0%	---
Other	1.3%	6.6%	1.2%	---	1.3%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	83.5%	75.8%	35.8%	63.2%	94.5%	---
Black, non-Hispanic	10.6%	17.1%	45.6%	25.9%	2.5%	---
Hispanic	4.2%	6.3%	15.2%	9.4%	1.6%	---
Other, non-Hispanic	1.8%	0.8%	3.4%	1.4%	1.5%	---
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$46,818	\$36,878	\$21,428	\$27,390	\$52,700	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	17.5%	27.7%	48.6%	36.4%	10.3%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	96.5%	3.5%	95.6%	4.4%	96.8%	3.2%
Private	70.2%	29.8%	---	---	79.0%	21.0%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	93.5%	6.5%	72.4%	27.6%	95.9%	4.1%
Black, non-Hispanic	88.9%	11.1%	89.1%	10.9%	---	---
Hispanic	89.5%	10.5%	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	89.1%	10.9%	86.1%	13.9%	92.7%	7.3%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	109,400	33.0%	15,400	52.0%	5,500	56.1%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	99,000	90.5%	13,200	85.5%	5,100	93.0%
Satisfied with public elementary school	92,600	93.5%	11,700	88.9%	4,600	89.5%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	6,500	6.5%	1,500	11.1%	500	10.5%
So dissatisfied they want to move	3,000	3.0%	300	2.5%	200	3.4%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		46.6%		22.7%		32.6%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	80,100	97.1%	11,700	96.6%	4,200	95.8%
Attend public school*	72,900	91.0%	11,000	94.2%	4,000	94.2%
Attend private school*	8,700	10.8%	1,000	9.0%	300	7.0%
Attend other school*	1,200	1.4%	100	0.9%	100	1.6%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	109,200	99.8%	15,100	97.8%	5,500	100.0%
Find crime bothersome	16,200	14.8%	5,600	37.0%	1,800	31.9%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	5,100	4.7%	3,500	23.2%	900	16.1%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		31.7%		62.6%		50.5%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	16,600	15.1%	4,200	27.5%	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	1,200	7.8%	100	1.7%	---	---
Close to job	1,200	7.4%	300	8.1%	---	---
Close to family/friends	2,100	13.1%	1,300	31.7%	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	4,600	28.9%	1,400	34.6%	---	---
Other reason	4,100	26.0%	800	19.3%	---	---
All reasons important	2,700	16.7%	200	4.7%	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.6%	---	94.9%	---	---	---
Private	8.1%	---	9.4%	---	---	---
Other	1.2%	---	1.2%	---	---	---
	100%*	---	100%*	---	---	---

Income and poverty

Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$51,620	\$46,458	\$21,128	---	\$16,725	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	11.4%	20.0%	50.3%	---	56.2%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13, attend						
Public	96.9%	3.1%	95.1%	4.9%	---	---
Private	68.7%	31.3%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	89.0%	11.0%	87.9%	12.1%	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U. *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1990.



Sacramento, CA Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Sacramento city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	206,700	37.0%	50,200	34.8%	156,500	37.8%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	174,400	84.4%	40,700	81.0%	133,800	85.5%
Satisfied with public elementary school	148,900	85.3%	35,000	86.1%	113,900	85.1%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	25,600	14.7%	5,700	13.9%	19,900	14.9%
So dissatisfied they want to move	11,200	6.4%	3,400	8.2%	7,800	5.8%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		43.7%		59.3%		39.3%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	150,600	97.6%	34,400	98.0%	116,200	97.5%
Attend public school*	132,100	87.7%	31,100	90.4%	101,000	86.9%
Attend private school*	20,400	13.6%	4,300	12.5%	16,100	13.9%
Attend other school*	2,700	1.8%	300	1.0%	2,400	2.0%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	204,800	99.1%	49,700	99.0%	155,100	99.1%
Find crime bothersome	53,400	26.1%	18,300	36.9%	35,000	22.6%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	26,500	12.9%	9,500	19.2%	17,000	10.9%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		49.7%		52.0%		48.4%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	57,100	27.6%	15,500	30.8%	41,600	26.6%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	2,600	5.1%	700	4.9%	2,000	5.2%
Close to job	5,100	9.8%	1,200	8.9%	3,900	10.2%
Close to family/friends	6,700	13.0%	2,200	16.7%	4,400	11.7%
House or appearance of neighborhood	12,300	23.9%	2,700	20.2%	9,500	25.2%
Other reason	16,900	32.9%	5,200	38.3%	11,700	30.9%
All reasons important	7,900	15.3%	1,500	11.1%	6,400	16.8%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.1%	60.3%	93.6%	---	92.9%	56.1%
Private	8.0%	42.2%	7.9%	---	8.0%	47.2%
Other	1.3%	3.5%	0.7%	---	1.5%	4.5%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	61.5%	67.5%	29.3%	---	71.3%	71.0%
Black, non-Hispanic	10.9%	5.3%	23.2%	---	7.1%	4.2%
Hispanic	14.8%	17.3%	21.9%	---	12.6%	13.7%
Other, non-Hispanic	12.9%	9.9%	25.6%	---	9.0%	11.1%
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$46,000	\$47,913	\$33,275	---	\$50,000	\$54,800
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	23.5%	18.4%	36.2%	---	19.6%	15.0%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	91.4%	8.6%	89.6%	10.4%	91.9%	8.1%
Private	56.6%	43.4%	---	---	53.9%	46.1%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	84.1%	15.9%	76.7%	23.3%	85.2%	14.8%
Black, non-Hispanic	92.3%	7.7%	94.0%	6.0%	90.5%	9.5%
Hispanic	83.2%	16.8%	81.8%	18.2%	84.0%	16.0%
Other, non-Hispanic	88.4%	11.6%	96.6%	3.4%	82.2%	17.8%
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	88.1%	11.9%	88.0%	12.0%	88.2%	11.8%

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	129,900	31.8%	21,400	53.8%	31,000	52.7%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	108,700	83.7%	17,500	82.0%	26,500	85.4%
Satisfied with public elementary school	91,500	84.1%	16,200	92.3%	22,000	83.2%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	17,200	15.9%	1,400	7.7%	4,400	16.8%
So dissatisfied they want to move	6,600	6.1%	700	3.9%	2,800	10.7%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		38.5%		50.3%		63.9%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	93,900	98.0%	16,000	98.9%	21,100	93.7%
Attend public school*	81,500	86.8%	14,400	89.6%	18,800	89.4%
Attend private school*	13,700	14.5%	2,000	12.5%	2,400	11.5%
Attend other school*	2,200	2.3%	200	1.0%	200	0.8%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	128,400	98.8%	21,400	100.0%	30,600	98.9%
Find crime bothersome	32,600	25.4%	6,000	27.9%	9,100	29.6%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	14,800	11.5%	3,200	15.1%	5,200	17.1%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		45.3%		54.0%		57.8%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	31,400	24.2%	8,000	37.3%	11,000	35.7%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	2,000	6.7%	---	---	200	1.7%
Close to job	2,900	10.1%	---	---	1,100	11.4%
Close to family/friends	3,300	11.3%	---	---	900	9.2%
House or appearance of neighborhood	6,600	22.6%	---	---	2,600	26.0%
Other reason	9,600	32.9%	---	---	3,500	35.5%
All reasons important	4,800	16.4%	---	---	1,600	16.1%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.1%	56.3%	95.9%	---	90.9%	---
Private	8.7%	42.2%	4.0%	---	9.1%	---
Other	1.7%	5.4%	1.3%	---	0.0%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$53,000	\$60,000	\$32,500	---	\$32,800	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	15.2%	13.0%	30.2%	---	37.4%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	91.2%	8.8%	93.1%	6.9%	89.2%	10.8%
Private	56.4%	43.6%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	86.1%	13.9%	---	---	83.7%	16.3%

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1996.

Salt Lake City, UT Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and
Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Salt Lake City		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	166,700	45.5%	19,300	28.3%	147,400	49.4%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	142,000	85.2%	16,700	86.4%	125,400	85.1%
Satisfied with public elementary school	129,600	91.2%	14,900	89.4%	114,700	91.5%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	12,400	8.8%	1,800	10.6%	10,700	8.5%
So dissatisfied they want to move	6,200	4.3%	1,200	7.5%	4,900	3.9%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		49.5%		70.7%		46.0%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	126,000	97.6%	13,300	92.5%	112,800	98.2%
Attend public school*	121,000	96.1%	12,700	95.9%	108,300	96.1%
Attend private school*	6,000	4.7%	900	6.8%	5,100	4.5%
Attend other school*	500	0.4%	100	0.4%	500	0.4%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	166,000	99.6%	19,300	100.0%	146,700	99.5%
Find crime bothersome	38,900	23.4%	7,600	39.6%	31,200	21.3%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	16,400	9.9%	3,700	18.9%	12,800	8.7%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		42.2%		47.8%		40.8%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	42,300	25.4%	6,100	31.7%	36,200	24.5%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	1,700	4.2%	400	6.8%	1,300	3.8%
Close to job	2,400	5.9%	300	6.4%	2,000	5.9%
Close to family/friends	3,200	8.1%	400	7.2%	2,900	8.2%
House or appearance of neighborhood	15,900	39.7%	2,300	42.1%	13,600	39.3%
Other reason	12,800	31.9%	1,100	21.1%	11,600	33.6%
All reasons important	4,100	10.1%	900	16.4%	3,200	9.2%

Distribution of Households by
Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	98.2%	86.6%	99.0%	---	98.1%	87.4%
Private	2.7%	13.6%	3.6%	---	2.6%	12.3%
Other	0.3%	0.9%	0.6%	---	0.3%	1.1%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	89.9%	90.1%	76.1%	---	91.7%	93.7%
Black, non-Hispanic	1.0%	0.0%	2.6%	---	0.8%	0.0%
Hispanic	6.3%	8.5%	15.0%	---	5.2%	6.3%
Other, non-Hispanic	2.8%	1.4%	6.4%	---	2.4%	0.0%
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$41,221	\$38,582	\$28,964	---	\$42,496	\$40,259
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	21.4%	21.3%	37.2%	---	19.3%	19.3%

Proportion of Households Satisfied
and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.4%	7.6%	91.4%	8.6%	92.5%	7.5%
Private	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	91.2%	8.8%	90.4%	9.6%	91.3%	8.7%
Black, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Hispanic	88.5%	11.5%	---	---	89.8%	10.2%
Other, non-Hispanic	95.4%	4.6%	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	91.2%	8.8%	90.3%	9.7%	91.5%	8.5%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	149,000	44.5%	---	---	11,400	58.7%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	127,700	85.7%	---	---	9,200	81.1%
Satisfied with public elementary school	116,500	91.2%	---	---	8,200	88.6%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	11,200	8.8%	---	---	1,100	11.4%
So dissatisfied they want to move	5,400	4.2%	---	---	700	7.3%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		48.4%	---	---		64.0%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	112,800	97.7%	---	---	8,100	95.5%
Attend public school*	108,600	96.3%	---	---	7,600	94.7%
Attend private school*	5,200	4.6%	---	---	400	5.3%
Attend other school*	500	0.5%	---	---	0	0.0%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	148,500	99.6%	---	---	11,300	99.0%
Find crime bothersome	35,200	23.7%	---	---	3,100	27.4%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	14,000	9.4%	---	---	2,200	19.6%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		39.8%	---	---		71.6%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	35,300	23.7%	---	---	4,500	39.5%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	1,300	3.8%	---	---	100	2.5%
Close to job	2,000	5.9%	---	---	300	6.9%
Close to family/friends	2,500	7.7%	---	---	500	11.9%
House or appearance of neighborhood	13,200	39.8%	---	---	1,800	39.5%
Other reason	10,800	32.5%	---	---	1,300	27.9%
All reasons important	3,400	10.3%	---	---	500	11.3%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	98.4%	86.0%	---	---	96.0%	---
Private	2.6%	14.3%	---	---	4.0%	---
Other	0.4%	1.0%	---	---	0.0%	---
	100%*	100%*	---	---	100%*	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$42,496	\$39,141	---	---	\$21,807	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	18.3%	19.4%	---	---	62.4%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.4%	7.6%	---	---	90.8%	9.2%
Private	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	90.7%	9.3%	---	---	92.3%	7.7%

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U. *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1992.

San Antonio, TX Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		San Antonio city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	192,700	39.8%	133,100	39.8%	59,600	39.7%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	170,100	88.3%	114,700	86.2%	55,400	93.0%
Satisfied with public elementary school	155,100	91.2%	103,900	90.6%	51,200	92.4%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	15,000	8.8%	10,800	9.4%	4,200	7.6%
So dissatisfied they want to move	7,100	4.2%	5,900	5.1%	1,200	2.1%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		47.2%		54.7%		27.9%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	149,900	98.8%	101,300	99.1%	48,600	98.0%
Attend public school*	132,800	88.6%	88,400	87.3%	44,400	91.3%
Attend private school*	18,600	12.4%	14,400	14.2%	4,300	8.8%
Attend other school*	1,600	1.0%	600	0.6%	900	1.9%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	191,300	99.3%	132,300	99.4%	59,000	99.1%
Find crime bothersome	46,100	24.1%	35,900	27.1%	10,200	17.3%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	21,300	11.1%	17,800	13.5%	3,500	6.0%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		46.3%		49.6%		34.5%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	51,900	26.9%	36,700	27.6%	15,200	25.5%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	4,700	9.4%	3,400	9.7%	1,200	8.6%
Close to job	4,300	8.7%	3,400	9.7%	900	6.3%
Close to family/friends	6,100	12.3%	4,600	13.1%	1,500	10.4%
House or appearance of neighborhood	12,100	24.4%	8,300	23.6%	3,800	26.3%
Other reason	13,100	26.3%	7,500	21.2%	5,700	38.9%
All reasons important	9,400	18.8%	8,000	22.7%	1,400	9.6%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.3%	63.6%	91.9%	62.8%	96.2%	---
Private	8.3%	39.1%	10.1%	39.4%	4.6%	---
Other	0.8%	0.0%	0.7%	0.0%	1.1%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	38.2%	51.5%	27.8%	45.6%	59.2%	---
Black, non-Hispanic	4.9%	5.2%	4.4%	2.4%	6.1%	---
Hispanic	55.6%	43.3%	66.4%	51.9%	33.7%	---
Other, non-Hispanic	1.3%	0.0%	1.4%	0.0%	1.0%	---
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$32,945	\$34,264	\$28,714	\$33,398	\$42,828	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	31.0%	32.5%	36.4%	32.2%	19.9%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.0%	6.0%	94.2%	5.8%	93.6%	6.4%
Private	69.4%	30.6%	74.0%	26.0%	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	88.5%	11.5%	85.5%	14.5%	91.6%	8.4%
Black, non-Hispanic	90.8%	9.2%	---	---	---	---
Hispanic	93.0%	7.0%	92.5%	7.5%	95.1%	4.9%
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	90.8%	9.2%	91.6%	8.4%	88.0%	12.0%

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	76,300	30.6%	10,800	39.3%	103,300	51.5%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	67,000	87.8%	8,500	78.6%	92,700	89.8%
Satisfied with public elementary school	59,300	88.5%	7,700	90.8%	86,200	93.0%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	7,700	11.5%	800	9.2%	6,500	7.0%
So dissatisfied they want to move	3,400	5.1%	300	3.0%	3,400	3.7%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		44.3%		32.3%		52.4%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	59,100	97.9%	8,600	100.0%	80,500	99.4%
Attend public school*	49,900	84.4%	8,300	96.9%	72,900	90.7%
Attend private school*	9,500	16.0%	300	3.1%	8,700	10.9%
Attend other school*	800	1.3%	0	0.0%	800	1.0%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	75,500	98.9%	10,800	100.0%	102,800	99.6%
Find crime bothersome	19,000	25.2%	3,200	29.3%	22,700	22.1%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	6,900	9.1%	2,100	19.6%	12,100	11.7%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		36.3%		67.0%		53.1%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	20,500	26.9%	--	--	26,600	25.7%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	3,000	15.2%	--	--	1,400	5.6%
Close to job	1,700	8.7%	--	--	2,300	9.3%
Close to family/friends	2,300	11.8%	--	--	3,300	12.9%
House or appearance of neighborhood	4,400	22.3%	--	--	6,800	27.0%
Other reason	6,000	30.4%	--	--	6,100	24.0%
All reasons important	2,300	11.6%	--	--	5,400	21.3%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
	Type of school children age 5-13 attend					
Public	91.4%	--	--	--	93.8%	--
Private	9.9%	--	--	--	8.2%	--
Other	0.7%	--	--	--	1.1%	--
	100%*	--	--	--	100%*	--
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$50,379	\$44,990	\$26,169	--	\$25,713	\$26,768
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	11.4%	23.1%	35.8%	--	43.8%	39.5%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.1%	6.9%	88.3%	11.7%	95.1%	4.9%
Private	60.8%	39.2%	--	--	78.0%	22.0%
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	79.0%	21.0%	--	--	93.7%	6.3%

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. -- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U. *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1995.

San Diego, CA Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		San Diego city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	322,100	35.9%	133,700	32.8%	188,400	38.6%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	258,100	80.1%	105,500	78.9%	152,600	81.0%
Satisfied with public elementary school	229,300	88.8%	94,200	89.3%	135,100	88.5%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	28,800	11.2%	11,300	10.7%	17,500	11.5%
So dissatisfied they want to move	13,300	5.2%	4,800	4.5%	8,600	5.6%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		46.3%		42.3%		49.0%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	236,400	98.7%	99,200	98.8%	137,200	98.6%
Attend public school*	214,100	90.6%	87,200	87.9%	126,900	92.5%
Attend private school*	25,700	10.9%	13,700	13.8%	12,000	8.8%
Attend other school*	800	0.4%	300	0.3%	500	0.4%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	320,500	99.5%	132,900	99.4%	187,600	99.6%
Find crime bothersome	85,700	26.7%	39,300	29.6%	46,400	24.8%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	34,800	10.9%	17,700	13.3%	17,100	9.1%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		40.6%		45.1%		36.7%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	94,600	29.4%	39,900	29.8%	54,700	29.1%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	9,500	10.5%	4,500	11.5%	5,100	9.7%
Close to job	6,900	7.6%	3,300	8.5%	3,600	6.9%
Close to family/friends	11,100	12.3%	3,500	9.1%	7,600	14.6%
House or appearance of neighborhood	30,600	33.6%	12,800	32.9%	17,800	34.1%
Other reason	24,700	27.2%	11,800	30.4%	13,000	24.8%
All reasons important	8,100	8.9%	2,900	7.5%	5,200	9.9%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	95.5%	78.0%	93.9%	---	96.7%	---
Private	5.9%	24.8%	7.3%	---	4.9%	---
Other	0.6%	0.0%	0.5%	---	0.7%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	56.9%	71.8%	51.2%	61.9%	60.8%	78.1%
Black, non-Hispanic	7.0%	5.2%	10.5%	7.2%	4.6%	3.9%
Hispanic	27.3%	22.2%	26.1%	28.8%	28.1%	18.0%
Other, non-Hispanic	8.8%	0.8%	12.1%	2.0%	6.5%	0.0%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$41,289	\$42,878	\$38,621	\$51,832	\$43,407	\$40,337
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	23.1%	21.4%	27.0%	23.4%	20.4%	20.2%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	90.6%	9.4%	92.2%	7.8%	89.6%	10.4%
Private	65.5%	34.5%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	86.3%	13.7%	87.4%	12.6%	85.7%	14.3%
Black, non-Hispanic	91.4%	8.6%	---	---	---	---
Hispanic	90.7%	9.3%	88.4%	11.6%	92.3%	7.7%
Other, non-Hispanic	98.9%	1.1%	98.1%	1.9%	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	89.6%	10.4%	90.6%	9.4%	88.6%	11.4%

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	183,600	28.1%	25,700	54.4%	85,300	62.3%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	151,100	82.3%	17,600	68.5%	68,900	80.8%
Satisfied with public elementary school	130,400	86.3%	16,100	91.4%	62,500	90.7%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	20,700	13.7%	1,500	8.6%	6,400	9.3%
So dissatisfied they want to move	10,000	6.6%	900	5.3%	2,200	3.2%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		48.3%		61.9%		34.4%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	132,400	98.5%	19,200	100.0%	64,300	98.6%
Attend public school*	117,500	88.8%	17,900	93.4%	60,700	94.4%
Attend private school*	17,800	13.5%	1,300	6.6%	4,100	6.4%
Attend other school*	800	0.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	182,300	99.3%	25,400	99.0%	85,300	100.0%
Find crime bothersome	54,200	29.7%	7,700	30.3%	18,800	22.1%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	20,600	11.3%	3,800	14.8%	9,200	10.8%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		38.0%		48.7%		48.7%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	44,700	24.4%	---	---	30,700	36.0%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	5,600	12.9%	---	---	1,800	6.3%
Close to job	4,300	9.9%	---	---	2,100	7.2%
Close to family/friends	4,500	10.5%	---	---	4,500	15.6%
House or appearance of neighborhood	13,500	31.2%	---	---	9,700	33.2%
Other reason	12,100	28.0%	---	---	7,000	24.1%
All reasons important	3,200	7.5%	---	---	3,900	13.5%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.2%	76.3%	---	---	98.4%	---
Private	7.8%	27.6%	---	---	2.8%	---
Other	1.1%	0.0%	---	---	0.0%	---
	100%*	100%*	---	---	100%*	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$54,403	\$52,406	\$27,145	---	\$24,839	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	11.1%	13.3%	34.5%	---	45.7%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	87.7%	12.3%	93.8%	6.2%	92.7%	7.3%
Private	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	84.0%	16.0%	---	---	90.6%	9.4%

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--- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1994.

San Francisco, CA Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		San Francisco city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	178,500	27.5%	67,700	22.0%	110,800	32.4%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	141,200	79.1%	50,400	74.5%	90,800	81.9%
Satisfied with public elementary school	116,100	82.2%	39,200	77.7%	76,900	84.7%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	25,100	17.8%	11,200	22.3%	13,900	15.3%
So dissatisfied they want to move	10,400	7.3%	4,000	8.0%	6,300	6.9%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		41.3%		36.1%		45.5%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	125,900	99.5%	45,000	98.7%	80,900	100.0%
Attend public school*	99,400	78.9%	33,200	73.9%	66,100	81.7%
Attend private school*	29,500	23.4%	12,800	28.4%	16,700	20.7%
Attend other school*	2,300	1.8%	0	0.0%	2,300	2.8%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	176,800	99.0%	66,600	98.4%	110,200	99.4%
Find crime bothersome	40,400	22.9%	23,200	34.8%	17,300	15.7%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	20,400	11.5%	13,200	19.8%	7,200	6.5%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		50.4%		56.9%		41.6%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	37,000	20.7%	---	---	22,400	20.2%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	4,900	13.7%	---	---	4,400	19.9%
Close to job	4,700	13.1%	---	---	2,200	10.1%
Close to family/friends	4,600	12.9%	---	---	2,700	12.4%
House or appearance of neighborhood	9,300	26.3%	---	---	6,200	28.3%
Other reason	10,300	29.1%	---	---	5,800	26.2%
All reasons important	1,700	4.9%	---	---	700	3.1%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	85.3%	---	91.0%	---	82.6%	---
Private	18.0%	---	11.5%	---	21.0%	---
Other	2.1%	---	0.0%	---	3.2%	---
	100%*	---	100%*	---	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	44.6%	64.9%	17.5%	---	58.4%	---
Black, non-Hispanic	5.8%	6.9%	11.3%	---	2.9%	---
Hispanic	19.3%	13.5%	20.8%	---	18.5%	---
Other, non-Hispanic	30.3%	14.7%	50.3%	---	20.1%	---
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$54,291	\$65,149	\$42,347	---	\$60,386	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	16.9%	15.2%	25.4%	---	12.6%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	90.5%	9.5%	92.5%	7.5%	89.5%	10.5%
Private	69.3%	30.7%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	76.1%	23.9%	---	---	81.5%	18.5%
Black, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Hispanic	86.9%	13.1%	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	90.5%	9.5%	90.9%	9.1%	90.0%	10.0%
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	83.8%	16.2%	---	---	---	---

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	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	86,000	19.9%	---	---	31,400	47.7%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	68,100	79.2%	---	---	25,800	82.0%
Satisfied with public elementary school	51,800	76.1%	---	---	22,400	86.9%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	16,300	23.9%	---	---	3,400	13.1%
So dissatisfied they want to move	6,800	9.9%	---	---	2,300	9.0%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		41.5%		---		68.3%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	60,000	100.0%	---	---	22,800	98.4%
Attend public school*	44,200	73.8%	---	---	20,900	91.8%
Attend private school*	16,500	27.5%	---	---	3,000	13.3%
Attend other school*	2,300	3.8%	---	---	0	0.0%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	85,700	99.6%	---	---	31,400	100.0%
Find crime bothersome	17,000	19.8%	---	---	10,500	33.4%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	6,900	8.0%	---	---	6,200	19.9%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		40.5%		---		59.5%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	---	---	---	---	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	---	---	---	---	---	---
Close to job	---	---	---	---	---	---
Close to family/friends	---	---	---	---	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other reason	---	---	---	---	---	---
All reasons important	---	---	---	---	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	76.4%	---	---	---	95.2%	---
Private	25.5%	---	---	---	9.6%	---
Other	4.7%	---	---	---	0.0%	---
	100%*	---	---	---	100%*	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$68,189	---	---	---	\$39,340	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	7.5%	---	---	---	21.7%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	85.2%	14.8%	---	---	---	---
Private	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	---	---	---	---	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U. *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1993.



San Jose, CA Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		San Jose city		Sunnyvale city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	200,100	37.4%	111,100	42.9%	14,900	29.6%	74,100	32.9%
Schools								
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	164,700	82.3%	90,300	81.3%	12,600	84.8%	61,800	83.3%
Satisfied with public elementary school	144,900	88.0%	78,100	86.5%	11,200	89.1%	55,600	90.0%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	19,700	12.0%	12,200	13.5%	1,400	10.9%	6,200	10.0%
So dissatisfied they want to move	9,300	5.6%	6,300	7.0%	600	4.7%	2,400	3.9%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		47.0%		51.6%		43.3%		38.7%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	144,300	98.1%	79,900	96.9%	10,700	100.0%	53,600	99.6%
Attend public school*	127,300	88.2%	70,100	87.7%	9,500	89.1%	47,700	88.9%
Attend private school*	18,000	12.5%	10,600	13.2%	1,300	12.4%	6,100	11.4%
Attend other school*	3,600	2.5%	1,200	1.5%	500	4.9%	1,800	3.4%
Crime								
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	198,900	99.4%	110,200	99.2%	14,900	100.0%	73,900	99.7%
Find crime bothersome	37,800	19.0%	25,000	22.7%	2,300	15.7%	10,400	14.1%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	16,300	8.2%	12,200	11.1%	700	4.8%	3,400	4.6%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		43.1%		48.6%		30.7%		32.7%
Reasons for neighborhood choice								
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	42,100	21.1%	23,300	20.9%	---	---	15,000	20.3%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood								
Schools	4,800	11.6%	2,500	10.7%	---	---	1,800	12.0%
Close to job	5,400	13.0%	2,000	8.7%	---	---	2,300	15.4%
Close to family/friends	2,800	6.8%	1,300	5.7%	---	---	1,200	7.8%
House or appearance of neighborhood	13,000	31.2%	9,100	39.6%	---	---	3,200	21.3%
Other reason	10,900	26.3%	6,500	28.6%	---	---	3,800	25.7%
All reasons important	4,600	11.1%	1,500	6.6%	---	---	2,600	17.8%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend								
Public	93.9%	64.9%	94.3%	59.4%	92.0%	---	93.6%	---
Private	6.8%	35.4%	6.5%	42.3%	10.0%	---	6.8%	---
Other	2.6%	3.3%	1.3%	1.9%	7.0%	---	3.6%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---
Race/Ethnicity of household								
White, non-Hispanic	49.7%	55.6%	40.0%	47.7%	47.9%	---	63.6%	68.7%
Black, non-Hispanic	4.1%	3.2%	4.6%	3.2%	8.0%	---	2.7%	3.8%
Hispanic	23.7%	23.6%	29.2%	25.6%	22.8%	---	16.2%	20.0%
Other, non-Hispanic	22.5%	17.7%	26.2%	23.5%	21.3%	---	17.5%	7.5%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	100%
Income and poverty								
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$54,937	\$62,217	\$51,033	\$58,634	\$49,947	---	\$65,149	\$83,716
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	16.1%	11.5%	19.2%	13.0%	19.3%	---	11.2%	6.9%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend								
Public	92.1%	7.9%	91.8%	8.2%	89.5%	10.5%	93.1%	6.9%
Private	60.8%	39.2%	51.8%	48.2%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household								
White, non-Hispanic	86.8%	13.2%	84.4%	15.6%	85.5%	14.5%	89.3%	10.7%
Black, non-Hispanic	90.6%	9.4%	---	---	---	---	---	---
Hispanic	88.0%	12.0%	88.0%	12.0%	---	---	87.9%	12.1%
Other, non-Hispanic	90.3%	9.7%	87.7%	12.3%	---	---	95.5%	4.5%
Poverty								
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	91.2%	8.8%	90.5%	9.5%	---	---	93.6%	6.4%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	98,800	29.2%	7,800	42.3%	47,600	56.8%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	83,000	84.0%	6,600	85.0%	39,000	81.9%
Satisfied with public elementary school	72,000	86.8%	6,000	90.6%	34,300	88.1%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	11,000	13.2%	600	9.4%	4,700	11.9%
So dissatisfied they want to move	5,100	6.1%	400	5.5%	1,800	4.7%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		46.2%		58.8%		39.0%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	72,900	98.4%	6,100	97.5%	33,400	98.0%
Attend public school*	62,600	85.9%	5,400	89.5%	29,800	89.0%
Attend private school*	10,900	15.0%	500	7.8%	3,800	11.3%
Attend other school*	2,800	3.8%	300	4.4%	200	0.7%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	98,300	99.5%	7,600	98.1%	47,200	99.2%
Find crime bothersome	20,200	20.5%	2,100	27.3%	9,300	19.7%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	7,000	7.1%	700	8.6%	5,200	10.9%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		34.6%		31.6%		55.4%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	16,600	16.8%	---	---	13,900	29.2%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	3,300	19.8%	---	---	600	4.2%
Close to job	2,100	12.5%	---	---	1,500	10.8%
Close to family/friends	900	5.3%	---	---	1,000	7.3%
House or appearance of neighborhood	4,600	27.8%	---	---	4,300	31.4%
Other reason	4,000	24.4%	---	---	5,000	36.6%
All reasons important	1,700	10.2%	---	---	1,300	9.7%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	91.8%	69.0%	---	---	96.2%	---
Private	9.5%	29.6%	---	---	4.9%	---
Other	4.0%	5.8%	---	---	0.5%	---
	100%*	100%*	---	---	100%*	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$69,926	\$65,583	\$43,433	---	\$32,574	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	6.5%	5.4%	27.9%	---	32.2%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	89.9%	10.1%	---	---	94.3%	5.7%
Private	68.2%	31.8%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	---	---	---	---	92.3%	7.7%

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area.

--- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1993.

Seattle-Everett, WA Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Seattle-Everett** cities		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	296,100	32.8%	58,800	21.2%	237,200	38.0%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	251,600	85.0%	45,100	76.7%	206,500	87.0%
Satisfied with public elementary school	220,900	87.8%	36,600	81.2%	184,300	89.2%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	30,700	12.2%	8,500	18.8%	22,200	10.8%
So dissatisfied they want to move	10,200	4.0%	3,000	6.7%	7,200	3.5%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		33.1%		35.3%		32.2%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	216,700	98.1%	40,800	98.9%	175,900	98.0%
Attend public school*	188,600	87.0%	30,000	73.6%	158,500	90.1%
Attend private school*	27,300	12.6%	10,600	25.9%	16,800	9.5%
Attend other school*	5,000	2.3%	900	2.3%	4,100	2.3%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	293,100	99.0%	57,700	98.0%	235,500	99.3%
Find crime bothersome	62,000	21.2%	18,900	32.8%	43,100	18.3%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	19,900	6.8%	4,800	8.3%	15,100	6.4%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		32.0%		25.2%		35.0%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	67,000	22.6%	13,900	23.6%	53,100	22.4%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	5,800	9.3%	2,100	15.4%	3,800	7.6%
Close to job	7,600	12.1%	1,400	10.4%	6,200	12.6%
Close to family/friends	5,400	8.6%	900	6.8%	4,500	9.1%
House or appearance of neighborhood	13,300	21.1%	1,600	12.2%	11,600	23.5%
Other reason	20,600	32.8%	4,900	36.7%	15,700	31.7%
All reasons important	10,200	16.1%	2,500	18.6%	7,700	15.5%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.3%	64.3%	84.0%	---	94.0%	72.9%
Private	7.8%	37.6%	17.0%	---	5.9%	29.7%
Other	1.6%	3.2%	0.8%	---	1.8%	3.0%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	82.8%	82.1%	69.3%	---	85.4%	86.7%
Black, non-Hispanic	5.0%	3.6%	11.5%	---	3.7%	0.8%
Hispanic	3.6%	3.6%	2.9%	---	3.8%	5.0%
Other, non-Hispanic	8.7%	10.7%	16.3%	---	7.1%	7.5%
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$55,350	\$52,489	\$44,560	---	\$57,100	\$55,000
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	13.0%	16.3%	20.5%	---	11.6%	11.9%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	90.8%	9.2%	88.7%	11.3%	91.2%	8.8%
Private	58.9%	41.1%	---	---	61.7%	38.3%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	87.9%	12.1%	81.0%	19.0%	89.1%	10.9%
Black, non-Hispanic	90.8%	9.2%	---	---	---	---
Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	85.3%	14.7%	---	---	88.7%	11.3%
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	85.2%	14.8%	---	---	89.0%	11.0%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	239,300	31.3%	14,400	43.6%	12,100	42.6%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	208,000	86.9%	12,100	84.0%	---	---
Satisfied with public elementary school	182,800	87.9%	11,000	90.8%	---	---
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	25,200	12.1%	1,100	9.2%	---	---
So dissatisfied they want to move	8,000	3.9%	700	5.9%	---	---
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		31.9%		64.2%		---
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	176,900	98.0%	10,800	100.0%	---	---
Attend public school*	152,600	86.2%	10,200	94.2%	---	---
Attend private school*	23,500	13.3%	600	5.8%	---	---
Attend other school*	4,300	2.4%	0	0.0%	---	---
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	237,300	99.1%	14,400	100.0%	11,700	96.6%
Find crime bothersome	50,000	21.1%	4,400	30.6%	2,200	19.2%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	14,000	5.9%	1,900	13.1%	1,200	10.0%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		28.0%		42.9%		52.1%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	47,200	19.7%	---	---	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	4,200	9.6%	---	---	---	---
Close to job	5,100	11.5%	---	---	---	---
Close to family/friends	4,700	10.8%	---	---	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	10,300	23.3%	---	---	---	---
Other reason	13,200	30.0%	---	---	---	---
All reasons important	6,500	14.8%	---	---	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	91.0%	60.3%	---	---	---	---
Private	9.1%	42.1%	---	---	---	---
Other	1.6%	2.7%	---	---	---	---
	100%*	100%*	---	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$59,200	\$55,000	\$26,000	---	---	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	9.1%	14.2%	46.3%	---	---	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	91.5%	8.5%	---	---	---	---
Private	60.5%	39.5%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	82.3%	17.7%	---	---	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school. **The survey does not permit separate analysis of these cities. Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1996.



St. Louis, MO-IL Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		St. Louis city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	351,800	35.0%	44,400	28.3%	307,400	36.2%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	313,400	89.1%	38,000	85.5%	275,400	89.6%
Satisfied with public elementary school	281,400	89.8%	29,700	78.3%	251,600	91.4%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	32,000	10.2%	8,200	21.7%	23,800	8.6%
So dissatisfied they want to move	14,700	4.7%	4,900	12.9%	9,800	3.6%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		45.9%		59.5%		41.2%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	272,400	97.9%	36,000	98.5%	236,400	97.8%
Attend public school*	228,700	84.0%	28,900	80.5%	199,700	84.5%
Attend private school*	47,600	17.5%	7,300	20.4%	40,200	17.0%
Attend other school*	5,300	2.0%	1,800	5.1%	3,500	1.5%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	350,200	99.5%	44,200	99.4%	306,100	99.6%
Find crime bothersome	68,100	19.4%	20,300	46.0%	47,800	15.6%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	35,300	10.1%	13,900	31.4%	21,500	7.0%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		51.9%		68.3%		44.9%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	71,400	20.3%	13,700	30.8%	57,700	18.8%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	5,900	8.6%	500	4.1%	5,400	9.6%
Close to job	4,400	6.4%	500	4.2%	3,900	7.0%
Close to family/friends	8,500	12.3%	2,500	19.7%	5,900	10.6%
House or appearance of neighborhood	16,100	23.4%	2,700	21.4%	13,300	23.9%
Other reason	20,900	30.4%	5,700	44.4%	15,200	27.2%
All reasons important	12,900	18.8%	800	6.2%	12,100	21.7%

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	89.2%	56.6%	94.3%	---	88.5%	63.9%
Private	12.3%	46.4%	5.8%	---	13.2%	37.8%
Other	1.5%	5.7%	3.4%	---	1.2%	5.5%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	76.9%	75.5%	16.9%	---	84.0%	77.8%
Black, non-Hispanic	20.4%	21.7%	81.3%	---	13.2%	19.6%
Hispanic	0.8%	0.9%	0.0%	---	0.9%	0.0%
Other, non-Hispanic	1.9%	1.9%	1.8%	---	1.9%	2.6%
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$44,090	\$43,800	\$14,400	---	\$47,626	\$43,800
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	22.5%	20.8%	67.4%	---	17.2%	18.8%

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	94.2%	5.8%	95.1%	4.9%	94.1%	5.9%
Private	73.2%	26.8%	---	---	80.1%	19.9%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	89.9%	10.1%	---	---	91.9%	8.1%
Black, non-Hispanic	89.2%	10.8%	91.4%	8.6%	87.6%	12.4%
Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	90.5%	9.5%	90.2%	9.8%	90.6%	9.4%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	267,000	32.6%	72,800	45.9%	---	---
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	240,500	90.1%	64,200	88.2%	---	---
Satisfied with public elementary school	216,300	89.9%	57,300	89.2%	---	---
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	24,200	10.1%	6,900	10.8%	---	---
So dissatisfied they want to move	11,600	4.8%	3,100	4.9%	---	---
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		47.8%		45.3%	---	---
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	203,400	97.4%	59,700	99.2%	---	---
Attend public school*	164,900	81.1%	56,500	94.6%	---	---
Attend private school*	42,000	20.7%	4,200	7.0%	---	---
Attend other school*	3,700	1.8%	1,100	1.8%	---	---
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	265,900	99.6%	72,600	99.7%	---	---
Find crime bothersome	41,600	15.6%	24,400	33.6%	---	---
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	18,000	6.8%	16,000	22.0%	---	---
Proportion of bothered who want to move		43.3%		65.5%	---	---
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	47,600	17.8%	22,200	30.4%	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	5,100	11.1%	800	3.9%	---	---
Close to job	2,900	6.3%	1,000	4.8%	---	---
Close to family/friends	5,500	12.0%	2,700	12.7%	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	9,400	20.4%	5,900	28.0%	---	---
Other reason	12,500	27.1%	8,400	39.9%	---	---
All reasons important	10,700	23.2%	2,300	10.7%	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	86.8%	44.5%	96.4%	---	---	---
Private	14.8%	60.1%	5.1%	---	---	---
Other	1.2%	5.3%	2.4%	---	---	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$50,160	\$53,500	\$18,584	---	---	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	13.5%	13.0%	57.3%	---	---	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	95.4%	4.6%	90.4%	9.6%	---	---
Private	72.4%	27.6%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	90.3%	9.7%	90.3%	9.7%	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area.

--- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1996.

Tampa-St. Petersburg, FL Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and
Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Tampa city		St. Petersburg city		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	243,600	28.0%	37,400	34.1%	25,700	24.2%	180,500	27.6%
Schools								
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	204,700	84.0%	31,100	83.3%	19,900	77.5%	153,600	85.1%
Satisfied with public elementary school	177,700	86.8%	28,600	91.9%	16,900	84.7%	132,200	86.0%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	27,000	13.2%	2,500	8.1%	3,100	15.3%	21,400	14.0%
So dissatisfied they want to move	8,800	4.3%	1,700	5.4%	1,400	7.3%	5,700	3.7%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		32.7%		66.7%		47.4%		26.5%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	180,600	98.7%	27,000	97.1%	19,200	100.0%	134,300	98.8%
Attend public school*	159,700	88.4%	23,900	88.5%	15,400	80.1%	120,400	89.6%
Attend private school*	23,000	12.7%	3,500	12.8%	4,100	21.1%	15,500	11.5%
Attend other school*	3,400	1.9%	1,000	3.7%	100	0.7%	2,300	1.7%
Crime								
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	243,000	99.8%	37,400	100.0%	25,700	100.0%	179,900	99.7%
Find crime bothersome	59,300	24.4%	16,100	43.0%	7,900	30.8%	35,300	19.6%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	25,000	10.3%	6,500	17.4%	5,100	19.7%	13,400	7.5%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		42.1%		40.5%		64.1%		38.0%
Reasons for neighborhood choice								
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	63,600	26.1%	10,400	27.8%	---	---	45,600	25.2%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood								
Schools	5,700	9.2%	1,400	13.5%	---	---	4,200	9.5%
Close to job	6,300	10.1%	600	6.0%	---	---	3,800	8.5%
Close to family/friends	7,600	12.2%	1,000	9.7%	---	---	4,900	11.0%
House or appearance of neighborhood	14,900	24.0%	1,900	18.2%	---	---	10,900	24.7%
Other reason	17,400	27.9%	3,000	29.1%	---	---	13,100	29.6%
All reasons important	10,400	16.6%	2,400	23.5%	---	---	7,300	16.6%

Distribution of Households by
Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend								
Public	94.2%	60.6%	92.9%	---	79.9%	---	96.3%	61.1%
Private	7.9%	40.9%	8.9%	---	23.3%	---	5.7%	40.6%
Other	1.6%	0.8%	5.0%	---	0.0%	---	1.0%	1.0%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household								
White, non-Hispanic	77.1%	87.2%	50.3%	---	63.0%	---	84.7%	90.6%
Black, non-Hispanic	14.2%	4.5%	38.2%	---	31.9%	---	6.8%	1.6%
Hispanic	7.3%	7.5%	8.6%	---	1.4%	---	7.7%	7.2%
Other, non-Hispanic	1.4%	0.8%	2.9%	---	3.7%	---	0.8%	0.5%
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	---	100%	100%
Income and poverty								
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$34,637	\$35,185	\$21,716	---	\$30,403	---	\$39,330	\$38,003
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	25.8%	26.1%	36.3%	---	25.8%	---	23.5%	22.7%

Proportion of Households Satisfied
and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend								
Public	92.5%	7.5%	96.1%	3.9%	---	---	91.7%	8.3%
Private	60.7%	39.3%	---	---	---	---	49.7%	50.3%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household								
White, non-Hispanic	85.3%	14.7%	90.1%	9.9%	80.6%	19.4%	85.2%	14.8%
Black, non-Hispanic	95.4%	4.6%	95.7%	4.3%	---	---	---	---
Hispanic	86.5%	13.6%	---	---	---	---	86.8%	13.2%
Other, non-Hispanic	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty								
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	86.6%	13.4%	87.8%	12.2%	---	---	86.4%	13.6%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	190,200	25.6%	31,500	46.9%	17,800	36.3%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	160,600	84.4%	26,500	84.2%	14,900	83.9%
Satisfied with public elementary school	137,000	85.3%	25,300	95.4%	12,900	86.4%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	23,600	14.7%	1,200	4.6%	2,000	13.6%
So dissatisfied they want to move	7,600	4.8%	600	2.3%	500	3.1%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		32.4%		50.8%		23.0%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	139,700	98.8%	24,600	98.0%	13,100	99.0%
Attend public school*	121,300	86.8%	23,900	97.1%	11,900	90.8%
Attend private school*	20,200	14.5%	1,100	4.3%	1,100	8.3%
Attend other school*	2,900	2.1%	0	0.0%	500	3.7%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	189,500	99.7%	31,500	100.0%	17,800	100.0%
Find crime bothersome	46,500	24.5%	9,500	30.2%	2,800	15.9%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	16,700	8.8%	6,400	20.5%	1,800	10.0%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		35.8%		67.8%		62.7%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	43,600	22.9%	10,600	33.6%	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	3,800	8.9%	600	5.9%	---	---
Close to job	4,800	11.2%	900	8.8%	---	---
Close to family/friends	5,000	11.7%	1,600	15.7%	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	11,000	25.9%	1,800	17.5%	---	---
Other reason	11,300	26.5%	2,800	27.5%	---	---
All reasons important	6,700	15.7%	2,500	24.6%	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.4%	59.8%	98.8%	---	---	---
Private	9.3%	41.0%	2.9%	---	---	---
Other	1.6%	0.9%	0.0%	---	---	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	---	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$41,261	\$37,749	\$17,373	---	\$22,059	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	18.4%	19.8%	50.2%	---	53.9%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	91.4%	8.6%	97.1%	2.9%	---	---
Private	60.6%	39.4%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	84.4%	15.6%	94.5%	5.5%	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area. --- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U. *Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1993.

Washington, DC-MD-VA Metropolitan Area: City and Suburbs

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and
Neighborhood Choice

	Metropolitan Area		Washington, DC		Suburbs	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	534,800	35.1%	58,500	23.9%	476,300	37.3%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	445,000	83.2%	46,400	79.3%	398,500	83.7%
Satisfied with public elementary school	403,600	90.7%	38,200	82.3%	365,400	91.7%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	41,300	9.3%	8,200	17.7%	33,100	8.3%
So dissatisfied they want to move	18,500	4.2%	3,300	7.2%	15,200	3.8%
Proportion of dissatisfied who want to move		44.8%		40.8%		45.8%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	383,000	98.4%	41,000	98.4%	342,000	98.4%
Attend public school*	340,500	88.9%	33,700	82.2%	306,800	89.7%
Attend private school*	52,400	13.7%	9,100	22.1%	43,300	12.7%
Attend other school*	5,100	1.3%	0	0.0%	5,100	1.5%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	530,900	99.3%	57,600	98.3%	473,300	99.4%
Find crime bothersome	109,400	20.6%	26,200	45.5%	83,300	17.6%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	45,600	8.6%	14,300	24.9%	31,300	6.6%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		41.7%		54.8%		37.5%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	111,100	20.8%	---	---	97,900	20.6%
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	7,100	6.9%	---	---	7,100	7.9%
Close to job	12,900	12.6%	---	---	11,900	13.2%
Close to family/friends	6,600	6.4%	---	---	5,800	6.5%
House or appearance of neighborhood	24,600	23.9%	---	---	22,700	25.2%
Other reason	36,100	35.2%	---	---	28,400	31.6%
All reasons important	15,400	15.0%	---	---	14,100	15.7%

Distribution of Households by
Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.5%	72.1%	91.2%	---	93.8%	75.6%
Private	9.3%	32.5%	11.8%	---	9.0%	30.2%
Other	1.0%	4.5%	0.0%	---	1.2%	5.6%
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	100%*
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	56.9%	61.6%	12.2%	---	61.6%	68.1%
Black, non-Hispanic	29.5%	31.8%	83.4%	---	23.8%	26.1%
Hispanic	5.5%	5.6%	3.4%	---	5.7%	4.6%
Other, non-Hispanic	8.1%	0.9%	0.9%	---	8.9%	1.2%
	100%	100%	100%	---	100%	100%
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$59,720	\$58,634	\$30,077	---	\$64,823	\$60,588
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	13.5%	9.9%	38.3%	---	10.9%	7.4%

Proportion of Households Satisfied
and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.4%	6.6%	89.6%	10.4%	93.8%	6.2%
Private	75.8%	24.2%	---	---	78.6%	21.4%
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Race/Ethnicity of household						
White, non-Hispanic	90.0%	10.0%	---	---	90.9%	9.1%
Black, non-Hispanic	90.0%	10.0%	87.6%	12.4%	91.0%	9.0%
Hispanic	90.6%	9.4%	---	---	93.3%	6.8%
Other, non-Hispanic	98.8%	1.2%	---	---	98.8%	1.2%
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	93.0%	7.0%	89.8%	10.2%	94.2%	5.8%

Opinions on Schools, Crime, and Neighborhood Choice

	White		Black		Hispanic	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with children age 0-16	303,500	30.8%	158,500	40.3%	30,200	52.1%
Schools						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on schools	255,200	84.1%	132,100	83.3%	24,600	81.5%
Satisfied with public elementary school	229,700	90.0%	118,900	90.0%	22,300	90.6%
Dissatisfied with public elementary schools	25,500	10.0%	13,200	10.0%	2,300	9.4%
So dissatisfied they want to move	11,800	4.6%	4,800	3.6%	2,000	8.0%
Proportion of of dissatisfied who want to move		46.1%		36.5%		84.6%
Households with children age 5-16 who attend school	212,800	98.7%	116,900	98.0%	21,500	98.3%
Attend public school*	185,600	87.2%	105,800	90.5%	20,100	93.6%
Attend private school*	31,700	14.9%	14,300	12.2%	1,400	6.4%
Attend other school*	4,700	2.2%	0	0.0%	400	1.7%
Crime						
Households with children age 0-16 reporting on crime	302,300	99.6%	156,500	98.7%	30,200	100.0%
Find crime bothersome	54,200	17.9%	44,600	28.5%	6,200	20.7%
Find crime so bothersome they want to move	14,800	4.9%	25,300	16.1%	3,700	12.1%
Proportion of bothered who want to move		27.4%		56.7%		58.7%
Reasons for neighborhood choice						
Households with children age 0-16 who moved last year	52,500	17.3%	37,800	23.8%	---	---
Main reason for choosing their neighborhood						
Schools	2,800	5.8%	2,300	6.5%	---	---
Close to job	5,900	12.3%	5,300	14.6%	---	---
Close to family/friends	2,300	4.7%	2,800	7.8%	---	---
House or appearance of neighborhood	13,400	27.7%	6,300	17.3%	---	---
Other reason	13,500	28.0%	17,200	47.5%	---	---
All reasons important	10,400	21.5%	2,300	6.2%	---	---

Distribution of Households by Satisfaction with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	92.1%	63.0%	95.3%	---	96.0%	---
Private	10.3%	42.7%	7.6%	---	4.0%	---
Other	1.9%	5.3%	0.0%	---	0.0%	---
	100%*	100%*	100%*	---	100%*	---
Income and poverty						
Median annual household income (1996\$)	\$72,749	\$67,874	\$38,818	---	\$36,212	---
Percent living below 150% of the poverty line	5.2%	5.3%	26.7%	---	30.8%	---

Proportion of Households Satisfied and Dissatisfied with Public Schools

	Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?		Satisfied with Public Schools?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Type of school children age 5-13 attend						
Public	93.9%	6.1%	90.9%	9.1%	93.1%	6.9%
Private	71.9%	28.1%	---	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	---	---
Poverty						
Households living below 150% of the poverty line	---	---	94.0%	6.0%	---	---

Note: All data include only those households with at least one child age 0-16 unless otherwise noted. "City" refers to a central city in a metropolitan area; "Suburb" refers to the remainder of the metropolitan area. Race/ethnic data are reported for the entire metropolitan area.

--- Indicates the sample was too small to provide a reliable estimate. Income data converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U.

*Percent may sum to greater than 100 because in households with more than one child, the children may attend more than one type of school.

Source: ETS analysis of the American Housing Survey, 1993.

Appendix

The Bureau of the Census began collecting data for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) American Housing Survey in 1973. Every other year, a national sample of about 50,000 households is interviewed. Each metropolitan area is surveyed every four to six years and the number of interviews in each of the 46 metropolitan areas ranges from 3,000 to 15,000. Interviews are conducted in person and by telephone.

The survey framework incorporates a multi-stage stratified clustered sampling design and all standard errors were adjusted to reflect this complex sampling design (standard error estimates are available upon request). Formulas for computing the standard errors—with adjustments specific to each metropolitan area—were provided by the Census Bureau and are available in their metropolitan area publications. All reported differences are significant at a level of .10.

Throughout this report, the metropolitan area definitions and the corresponding central city or additional cities reported are those identified by Census as defined by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget. In every area, the weighted household totals were benchmarked to the 1990 Census. In general, the metropolitan area data were weighted to reflect the composition of its constituent counties. However, in Chicago, Detroit, Los Angeles-Long Beach, Newark, New York, Philadelphia, the metropolitan weights were not available so the observations were weighted using national control totals. To avoid the disclosure of confidential data, observations in the "other urban" and "rural" areas of Chicago, Los Angeles-Long Beach, New York, and Newark were not included in the metropolitan or suburban area totals.

In select areas, some of the data in this report may differ slightly from that published by HUD and the Census Bureau. These discrepancies occur as a result of the differences in the files used by the Census Bureau to generate their results and the public-use files used in this analysis. In several areas, the public-use files do not allow the demarcation of specific cities. As a result, some city analyses include two cities: Los Angeles-Long Beach, Providence-Warwick, RI, San Bernardino-Ontario, CA, and Seattle-Everett. The geographical boundaries that lie outside, and often between, these cities are included in the suburb data.

The unit of observation in the American Housing Survey is the household. In this report, the sample was limited to those occupied housing units where at

least one child age 0 to 16 resided. Estimates of household satisfaction with public elementary schools, crime concerns, and reasons for neighborhood choice only included households with children age 0 to 16. Furthermore, school satisfaction or dissatisfaction with public elementary schools by race/ethnicity, income, and poverty also only included households with children age 0 to 16. In all estimates, race/ethnicity of the households was determined by the race/ethnicity of the householder (an adult whose name is on the title or lease); "White" included households represented by White, non-Hispanic individuals and "Black" included households represented by Black, non-Hispanic individuals. All income and poverty estimates included the income for the entire household. Income data were converted to 1996 dollars using the CPI-U. Poverty estimates presented include those households living below 150 percent of the poverty line to capture both poor and near poor households.

In some instances, the sample was limited to households with school-age children when it better facilitated the analysis of the data. Estimates of the proportion of households with children who attended public, private, or other schools only included those households with children age 5 to 16. In some households with more than one child, the children attended more than one type of school and as a result, the data may sum to more than 100 percent. Because the survey only assessed parents' satisfaction with public elementary schools, only those households with at least one child age 5 to 13 were included when looking at the type of school attended by school satisfaction, thereby excluding those households with children only of high school age.

In addition to city and suburb analyses, the report also provides similar estimates for White, Black, and Hispanic households in each metropolitan area. These detailed estimates were not available at the city and suburb level because of limited sample sizes.

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