



# Demographics

## I. SCHOOLS

- A. Enrollment, Fall 2002: 2,704 K-12 + 1,062 @ Career Academy = 3,766 total  
Adult Ed.: 516
- B. Racial-Ethnic Analysis (2000-01), K-12: 99.3% African American, 0.2% white<sup>1</sup>
- C. High School estimated 4-yr. graduation rate, 2001: 63.3%<sup>2</sup>
- D. 2002 Highland Park Community H.S. graduating class: 71
- E. 2002 @ HP Adult Ed/Career Acad.: 79 HPCHS diplomas, 138 GED certificates
- F. Schools of Choice nonresident enrollment: K-12 only, 653 of 2,704 (24%)  
Career Academy. 940 of 1,062 (88%); combined: 1,593 of 3,766 (42.3%)

## II. COMMUNITY: data from 2000 U.S. Census unless otherwise footnoted

- A. Area: 2.98 square miles  
Population: 16,746: 15,648 African American, 93.4%; 4.1% white;  
7,730 male, 9,016 female ages 5-19:4,024 ages 18-21: 11,879  
ages 65 +: 2,435 median age: 34.5
- B. Median household income, 2000: \$17,737 (4<sup>th</sup> lowest in Michigan; lowest in  
S.E. Michigan)  
4<sup>th</sup> largest percentage increase in inflation-adjusted income: 39.4%<sup>6</sup>
- C. Poverty rate, all children ages 5-17 living in District: 47.6% - highest in  
metro Detroit. (Poverty defined as household income \$13,700 for family of  
3, in 2000)<sup>4</sup>
- D. Percentage of residents living in poverty: 38.3%<sup>7</sup>
- E. Percentage of residents age 25+ who are college graduates: 6.1%  
" " " " " " " " at least high school graduates: 63.9%<sup>7</sup>
- F. Number of housing units: 7,249 vacant, 1,050
- G. Number of households (occupied housing units): 6,199  
Married-couple households with children: 441
- H. Percentage of renter-occupied units: 61.4% owner-occupied units: 38.6%
- I. Persons per household: 2.56
- J. Households with individuals under 18: 2,221 35.8%
- K. Single-parent households: 1,267 - 1,101 mother, 166 father
- L. Percentage of children living with single mother: 45.9%<sup>5</sup>
- M. Median home value: \$49,800<sup>7</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Mich. Dept. of Education figure reported in Detroit Free Press 1/21/02

<sup>2</sup> 1998-99 Mich. Dept. of Ed. Dropout Rate, 4/26/99

<sup>3</sup> Mich. Dept. Ed School Breakfast and Lunch Report, 3/23/99, excerpted in Middle Cities Education Association Annual Report 1998-99

<sup>4</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, reported in Detroit Free Press 9/10/02

<sup>5</sup> 2000 U.S. Census figure reported in Detroit News 8/1/01

<sup>6</sup> 2000 U.S. Census figure reported in Detroit Free Press 6/3/02

<sup>7</sup> 2000 U.S. Census figure reported in Detroit News 6/4/02