

LEE COUNTY YOUTH: *Risk Indicator Data*



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INTRODUCTION

Although we are able to identify some of the causes that influence the onset of criminal and other anti-social behaviors, no singular cause can be named. However, a combination of many conditions or situations may be a strong predictor as to who is more likely to become involved in crime. Extensive research has identified precursors of juvenile delinquency and violence called risk factors. Risk factors predict increased probability of developing problem behaviors. These risk factors exist within communities, as well as within families, schools, peer groups, and within individuals. The more risk factors present in a youth's environment, the greater the likelihood of juvenile problems. Problem behaviors such as delinquency, substance abuse, dropping out of school, violence, and teen pregnancy can be associated with the same risk factors. Longitudinal indicators of the youth problem behaviors listed above are highlighted in this report.

However, not all youth exposed to risk factors develop problem behaviors. It has been found that youth which are exposed to protective factors, that is, conditions which serve to either reduce the impact of the risks or change the way a person responds to the risks in one's environment, may avoid problem behaviors. Protective factors fall into three basic categories: 1.) Individual characteristics; 2.) Attachment and commitment to pro-social persons, institutions, and values; and 3.) Healthy beliefs and clear standards for behavior in families, schools, and communities.

According to the risk factor/protective factor model, prevention and early intervention are best accomplished through the identification of risk factors and the addition of protective factors. The most efficient method for communities to address prevention and early intervention is through the local planning process. By identifying and prioritizing risk factors, communities are able to design prevention efforts that can be tailored to the unique needs of the community. In this way a community is able to maximize the benefits of its prevention efforts by directing its limited resources toward issues of greatest need. Through a holistic approach to prevention a community's efforts to reduce the impact of identified risk factors has the anticipated result of reducing not only juvenile delinquency but also other behavior problems.

Risk factors and protective factors highlighted in this report include:

COMMUNITY RISK FACTORS

- Availability of Alcohol, Drugs, and Firearms
- Community Laws and Norms Favoring Drug Use, Firearms, and Crime
- Transitions and Mobility
- Low Neighborhood Attachment and Community Disorganization
- Extreme Economic and Social Deprivation

COMMUNITY PROTECTIVE FACTORS

- Community Rewards for Pro-social Involvement

FAMILY RISK FACTORS

- Family History of the Problem Behavior
- Family Management Problems
- Family Conflict
- Favorable Parental Attitudes and Involvement in Crime and Drugs

FAMILY PROTECTIVE FACTORS

- Family Attachment
- Family Opportunities for Pro-social Involvement
- Family Rewards for Pro-social Involvement

SCHOOL RISK FACTORS

- Early and Persistent Antisocial Behavior
- Academic Failure Beginning in Late Elementary School
- Lack of Commitment to School

SCHOOL PROTECTIVE FACTORS

- School Opportunities for Pro-social Involvement
- School Rewards for Pro-social Involvement

INDIVIDUAL AND PEER GROUP RISK FACTORS

- Alienation and Rebelliousness
- Friends Who Engage in the Problem Behavior
- Favorable Attitudes Toward the Problem Behavior
- Early Initiation of the Problem Behavior

INDIVIDUAL and PEER PROTECTIVE FACTORS

- Religiosity
- Social Skills
- Belief in a Moral Order

Note: Circuit 20 refers to the five counties in the 20th Judicial Circuit of Florida which includes Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, and Lee Counties.

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Problem Behavior Indicators

Substance Abuse

Table 1: Students Reporting Substance Use in Past 30 Days (%) - Cigarettes

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	17.9	12.5	10.6	13.9	12.6
Florida	15.3	11.4	11.4	10.9	9.1

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey.

Table 2: Students Reporting Substance Use in Past 30 Days (%) – Alcohol

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	32.1	35.6	29.8	36.5	30.0
Florida	31.0	31.2	32.3	32.0	29.8

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey.

Table 3: Students Reporting Substance Use in Past 30 Days (%) – Marijuana or Hashish

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	14.0	15.1	11.5	13.9	13.0
Florida	11.0	12.1	11.5	11.4	11.1

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey.

Table 4: High School Students Reporting Substance Use in Past 30 Days (%) – Cocaine

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	6.0	2.7	2.8	3.5	3.2
Florida	2.5	1.5	2.0	2.1	1.6

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey.

Table 5: Students Reporting Substance Use in Past 30 Days (%) – Depressants

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	2.7	7.0	3.0	2.6	3.7
Florida	1.7	2.9	2.8	2.5	2.1

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. In 2002 Xanax was added to list of examples given.

Table 6: Students Reporting Substance Use in Past 30 Days (%) – Prescription Pain Relievers

	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	6.7	3.3	4.8	5.7
Florida	3.2	3.0	3.2	3.2

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey.

Table 7: Students Reporting Substance Use in Lifetime (%) - Cigarettes

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	46.4	38.4	32.7	36.0	31.6
Florida	44.2	36.2	34.0	30.6	27.0

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey .

Table 8: Students Reporting Substance Use in Lifetime (%) - Alcohol

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	55.8	59.7	55.6	61.3	57.1
Florida	55.7	56.5	57.5	56.1	53.2

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey

Table 9: Students Reporting Substance Use in Lifetime (%) – Marijuana or Hashish

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	29.8	28.3	22.8	25.6	24.8
Florida	27.5	23.6	23.5	22.5	21.1

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey

Table 10: High School Students Reporting Substance Use in Lifetime (%) - Cocaine

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	7.4	8.2	8.4	8.7	10.5
Florida	7.6	5.4	6.0	6.4	5.5

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey

Table 11: Students Reporting Substance Use in Lifetime (%) - Depressants

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	4.9	12.3	7.9	7.7	8.8
Florida	4.9	7.0	7.1	6.5	6.0

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey

Table 12: Students Reporting Substance Use in Lifetime (%) – Prescription Pain Relievers

	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	13.7	9.4	11.4	12.1
Florida	8.0	8.5	8.3	8.0

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey

Table 13: Incidents of Alcohol, Tobacco & Other Drugs in the Schools - High Schools

	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	567	347	352	372	324	277
Florida	11,885	10,935	11,467	10,153	9,435	9,253

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 14: Incidents of Alcohol, Tobacco & Other Drugs in the Schools per 1,000 Student Population (High School)

	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	37	22	19	19	16	13
Florida	18	16	16	14	12	12

Source: Florida School Indicators Report (base data)

Table 15: Incidents of Alcohol, Tobacco & Other Drugs in the Schools – Middle Schools

	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	252	237	247	174	140	110
Florida	4,418	4,351	4,650	3,976	3,683	3,366

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 16: Incidents of Alcohol, Tobacco & Other Drugs in the Schools per 1,000 Student Population (Middle School)

	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	17	16	13	11	8	7
Florida	8	7	6	7	6	6

Source: Florida School Indicators Report (base data)

Table 17: Incidents of Alcohol, Tobacco & Other Drugs in the Schools and Rate per 100,000 Student Population, 2007-08

	<i>Incidents</i>	<i>Rate</i>
Lee	556	690
Florida	13,579	512

Source: Florida School Indicators Report, as of 7/09 was not reported by school level for 2007-08

Table 18: Percent of Youth Who Report Engaging in Delinquency (Substance Abuse Related) in Past 12 Months

	2006		2008	
	Lee	Florida	Lee	Florida
Sold Illegal Drugs	7.6	5.8	6.8	5.5
Drunk or High at School	14.8	13.0	13.3	11.6

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey

Delinquency

Table 19: Percent of Youth Who Report Engaging in Delinquent Behavior in Past 12 Months

	2006		2008	
	Lee	Florida	Lee	Florida
Carried Handgun	6.5	5.2	5.9	5.0
Sold Illegal Drugs	7.6	5.8	6.8	5.5
Stole/Attempt Steal Vehicle	4.3	3.0	2.7	2.5
Was Arrested	5.8	5.5	5.3	4.9
Taken Handgun to School	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.0
Been Suspended From School	15.6	16.1	14.0	15.2
Attacked Someone With the Intent to Harm	13.1	13.3	12.6	11.8
Drunk or High at School	14.8	13.0	13.3	11.6

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey

Table 20: Juvenile Arrests

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Lee	2,714	3,383	3,252	4,001	4,131	3,920	3,915	3,769
Florida	131,688	131,336	124,982	127,185	123,270	122,716	121,151	120,202

	2006	2007	2008
Lee	4,257	4,586	5,009
Florida	121,181	120,197	118,306

Source: Florida Department of Law Enforcement

Table 21: Youth Referred for Delinquency

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	2,226	2,319	2,451	2,437	2,496	2,552	2,629
Circuit 20	4,504	4,604	4,710	4,848	4,772	5,040	5,229
Florida	107,116	101,293	101,403	99,788	97,461	97,743	99,724

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	2,488	2,578	2,657	2,710
Circuit 20	4,715	4,879	5,112	5,034
Florida	95,263	94,228	91,464	89,776

Source: Department of Juvenile Justice

Table 22: Youth Referred for Delinquency per 1,000 Population Ages 10-17

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	61	65	66	61	61	60	59
Circuit 20	62	65	63	61	59	60	59
Florida	68	66	63	59	57	56	56

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	53	51	50	49
Circuit 20	51	50	51	48
Florida	52	50	48	47

Source: Department of Juvenile Justice (base data)

Table 23: Delinquency Referrals

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	4,058	3,758	4,230	4,008	4,102	4,392	4,615
Circuit 20	7,744	7,130	7,532	7,569	7,422	8,074	8,577
Florida	173,903	153,816	153,205	152,836	150,100	150,742	155,429

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	4,022	3,808	4,059	4,161
Circuit 20	7,275	7,185	7,783	7,631
Florida	150,687	150,104	147,069	144,705

Source: Department of Juvenile Justice

Table 24: Delinquency Referrals Per 1,000 Population Ages 10-17

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	113	106	113	101	101	103	104
Circuit 20	106	96	101	96	91	95	98
Florida	112	96	100	91	88	87	87

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	86	76	77	75
Circuit 20	78	74	78	73
Florida	82	80	78	75

Source: Department of Juvenile Justice (base data)

Table 25: Incidents of Crime and Violence in the Schools (High Schools)

	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	1,692	1,581	1,464	1,374	1,555	1,477
Florida	43,959	43,217	47,700	40,492	37,990	35,393

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 26: Incidents of Crime and Violence in the Schools (Middle Schools)

	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	2,310	2,159	1,975	1,474	2,025	2,513
Florida	54,359	51,810	56,968	48,045	41,359	39,021

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 27: Incidents of Crime and Violence in the Schools and Rate per 100,000 School Population, 2007-08

	<i>Incidents</i>	<i>Rate</i>
Lee	3,027	3,758
Florida	84,590	3,188

Source: Florida School Indicators Report, as of 7/09 was not reported by school level for 2007-08

Teen Pregnancy

Table 28: Births to Teenage Mothers Age 15-19 Per 1,000 Female Population – All Races

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Lee	78.2	67.7	68.6	68.9	67.6	64.7	59.4	58.0	54.2	53.6
Florida	60.4	57.1	56.1	54.3	51.8	50.6	47.2	44.3	42.4	41.6
US		54.4	52.3	51.1	49.6	48.5	45.9	43.0	42	41

	2005	2006	2007
Lee	54.9	59.0	53.5
Florida	41.9	43.5	43.2
US	40		

Source: Florida Department of Health; US rates from National Center for Health Statistics and Kids Count

Table 29: Births to Teenage Mothers Age 15-19 Per 1,000 Female Population – White Females

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Lee	65.6	55.8	59.6	59.8	58.5	57.4	54.3	53.4	50.9	48.6
Florida	49.8	47.5	46.4	45.3	43.6	42.0	39.6	38.0	36.9	35.5

	2005	2006	2007
Lee	50.9	56.9	51.2
Florida	36.7	38.4	37.8

Source: Florida Department of Health

Table 30: Births to Teenage Mothers Age 15-19 Per 1,000 Female Population – Black Females

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Lee	164.1	150.0	133.4	133.4	133.8	123.7	103.8	99.0	84.9	94.6
Florida	99.6	94.6	91.8	86.4	82.3	83.7	75.9	69.5	64.4	63.9

	2005	2006	2007
Lee	86.7	79.8	74.0
Florida	59.8	61.6	62.0

Source: Florida Department of Health

Table 31: Births to Teenage Mothers Age 15-19 Per 1,000 Female Population – Hispanic Females

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Lee	105.7	71.3	95.8	83.7	101.1	115.8	129.3	122.5	104.4	111.3
Florida	57.0	55.1	53.0	53.0	54.0	55.3	57.2	54.3	54.9	54.6

	2005	2006	2007
Lee	109.7	122.7	81.5
Florida	58.5	62.2	56.2

Source: Florida Department of Health

School Dropout

Table 32: School Drop Out Rate (%)

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	3.6	4.9	4.6	5.6	7.0	5.9	2.9
Florida	3.9	5.4	4.6	3.8	3.2	3.1	2.9

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	2.9	3.5	2.4	1.8
Florida	3.0	3.5	3.3	2.6

Source: Florida Department of Education

Table 33: Graduation Rate

	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	82.5	83.7	69.4	67.8	65.9	66.0	68.3	70.7
Florida	81.5	73.18	60.2	62.3	63.8	67.9	69.0	71.6

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	69.4	71.5	71.8	77.8
Florida	71.9	71.0	72.4	75.4

Source: Florida Department of Education

Violence

Table 34: Violent* Youth Felonies

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
Lee	198	266	268	278	250	262	252	272
Circuit 20	423	585	544	599	546	589	468	520
Florida	15,366	17,308	17,112	17,092	16,008	15,401	15,632	15,705

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	295	323	304
Circuit 20	559	643	549
Florida	16,253	16,043	14,685

Source: Department of Juvenile Justice. * Violent youth felonies include murder/manslaughter, attempted murder, sexual battery, other felony sex offenses, armed robbery, other robbery, aggravated assault/battery, resisting arrest with violence, and shooting/throwing a deadly missile.

Table 35: Violent Youth Felonies Per 1,000 Youth Population Aged 10-17

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
Lee	5.40	6.97	7.17	7.01	6.13	6.15	5.84	5.87
Circuit 20	5.81	7.69	7.29	7.56	6.71	6.95	5.45	5.67
Florida	9.74	11.29	10.69	10.16	9.38	8.88	8.75	8.63

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	5.94	6.13	5.46
Circuit 20	5.80	6.41	5.27
Florida	8.69	8.46	7.66

Source: Department of Juvenile Justice (base data)

Table 36: Teen Violent Death Rate Ages 15-19 (per 10,000)

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Lee	6.2	5.3	5.6	6.9	7.6	7.9	8.4	8.0
Florida	6.2	5.8	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.3	4.9	5.3
US			5.8		5.3	5.1		

	2003	2004	2005	2006
Lee	12.2	6.0	10.7	10.8
Florida	5.4	5.1	5.9	5.6
US				

Source: Florida County Rankings, deaths from homicides, suicides and accidents; U.S. rates from Kids Count.

Table 37: Violent Acts Against Persons (High School)

	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	494	392	424	114	124	98	88	118	120
Florida	14,513	13,251	13,194	3,360	3,445	3,406	3,281	3,282	3,009

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 38: Violent Acts Against Persons Per 1,000 Student Population (High School)

	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	37	28	30	7	8	5	4	6	6
Florida	24	21	20	5	5	5	4	4	4

Source: Florida School Indicators Report (base data)

Community Risk Factors

Availability of Alcohol, Drugs and Firearms

Table 39: *Alcoholic Beverage Licenses Issued

	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	730	757	780	769	787
Florida	25,523	23,695	24,201	24,078	24,461

Source: Florida County Rankings (base data); *Tobacco Licenses with Alcoholic Beverage Licenses

Table 40: *Alcoholic Beverage Licenses Issued per 1,000 Population 18 Years and Older,

	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	1.82	1.81	1.78	1.64	1.61
Florida	1.93	1.75	1.84	1.69	1.69

Source: Florida County Rankings (base data); *Tobacco Licenses with Alcoholic Beverage Licenses

Table 41: Tobacco Licenses Issued

	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	851	847	872	854	879
Florida	28,517	27,616	28,173	28,128	28,410

Source: Florida County Rankings

Table 42: Tobacco Licenses Issued per 1,000 Population 18 Years and Older

	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	2.13	2.03	1.99	1.83	1.80
Florida	2.16	2.03	2.03	1.98	1.96

Source: Florida County Rankings (base data)

Table 43: Student Survey Perceived Availability of Handguns (High School Students)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	49	43	41	47	46
Florida	46	42	41	43	41

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 denote elevated risk (high scores are less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Table 44: Violent Crimes Involving Firearms

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Lee	641	581	737	732	826	827	686	796	918
Florida	35,161	31,659	26,408	24,823	26,222	26,354	25,904	25,771	27,687

	2006	2007
Lee	922	1,034
Florida	31,180	36,240

Source: Florida Department of Law Enforcement

Table 45: Violent Crimes Involving Firearms per 100,000 Population

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Lee	163	143	177	166	182	174	139	153	167
Florida	255	210	177	155	161	158	152	147	155

	2006	2007
Lee	157	168
Florida	170	194

Source: Florida Department of Law Enforcement (base data)

Table 46: Male Students Reporting They Had Carried a Handgun in the Past 12 Months (Percent)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	8.5	9.6	5.3	10.1	9.6
Florida	9.2	6.6	6.8	8.2	8.0

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey

Table 47: Weapons Possessions in the Schools (High School)

	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	38	35	49	51	53	57
Florida	1,202	1,223	1,628	1,455	1,401	1,283

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 48: Weapons Possessions in the Schools per 1,000 Student Population (High School)

	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	3	2	3	3	3	3
Florida	2	2	2	2	2	2

Source: Florida School Indicators Report (base data)

Table 49: Weapons Possession in the Schools & Rate per 100,000 School Population, 2007-08

	<i>Incidents</i>	<i>Rate</i>
Lee	126	156
Florida	2,819	106

Source: Florida School Indicators Report, as of 7/09 was not reported by school level for 2007-08

Table 50: Delinquency Referrals Received – Armed Robbery as Most Serious Charge

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
Lee	23	23	22	15	18	22	22	16
Florida	1,241	1,055	710	738	703	747	708	723

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	34	48	43
Florida	1,022	1,328	1,434

Source: Department of Juvenile Justice

Table 51: Delinquency Referrals Received – Rate of Armed Robbery as Most Serious Charge per 100,000 Youth Population Age 10-17

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
Lee	64	65	59	38	44	52	50	34
Florida	80	69	44	44	41	43	40	40

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	68	91	77
Florida	54	70	75

Source: Department of Juvenile Justice

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Table 52: Alcohol Related Accidents

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Lee	691	806	686	800	765	756	654	715
Florida	23,578	24,411	21,533	22,752	23,613	23,864	22,858	22,823

Source: Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles

Table 53: Alcohol Related Accidents as a Percentage of All Accidents

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Lee	12.9	13.5	13.5	13.1	13.9	13.8	14.6	12.2	13.4	13.1
Florida	10.9	10.3	10.0	9.3	9.1	9.6	9.5	8.6	9.4	9.1

	2005	2006	2007
Lee	21.1	11.6	11.5
Florida	8.9	8.9	8.9

Source: Florida County Rankings; Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (base data)

Table 54: Alcohol Related Fatalities

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Lee	38	42	24	42	32	54	40	39
Florida	882	1,000	1,007	1,096	1,093	1,239	1,099	1,244

Source: Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles

Table 55: Alcohol Related Accidents as a Percentage of All Fatalities

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Lee	47.1	51.3	22.5	34.2	29.3	36.9	37.2	33.8	34.7
Florida	37.7	33.6	32.9	29.8	32.1	32.6	33.2	32.0	34.5

	2004	2005	2006	2007
Lee	29.6	36.0	33.1	36.8
Florida	33.6	35.1	32.7	38.6

Source: Florida County Rankings; Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (base data)

Table 56: Alcohol Related Accidents per 100,000 Population

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Lee	246	169	161	151	164	157	177	144	162	147
Florida	176	173	164	152	145	148	149	129	133	131

	2005	2006	2007
Lee	138	112	115
Florida	133	125	122

Source: Florida County Rankings; Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (base data)

Table 57: Incidents of DUI Arrests

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Lee	1,138	790	1,778	1,806	1,817	1,671	2,070	1,857
Florida	44,143	32,961	53,886	57,715	60,337	60,338	60,574	56,976

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Lee	1,883	1,787	2,016	2,470	2,737
Florida	55,805	57,571	55,278	58,824	62,852

Source: Florida Department of Law Enforcement

Table 58: DUI Arrests per 100,000 Population

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Lee	443	297	200	438	410	412	367	436	375	361
Florida	366	306	224	359	375	378	369	363	334	319

	2005	2006	2007	2008
Lee	325	344	401	439
Florida	322	301	315	334

Source: Florida Department of Law Enforcement

Table 59: Arrests for Drugs

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Lee	2,219	2,710	2,308	2,421	2,647	2,899	3,331
Florida	135,565	141,719	131,407	131,891	126,087	136,804	150,334

	2005	2006	2007	2008
Lee	3,300	3,757	4,706	4,456
Florida	160,649	168,119	169,360	159,916

Source: Florida Department of Law Enforcement

Table 60: Arrests for Drugs per 100,000 Population

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Lee	547	650	523	532	557	586	639	601
Florida	904	921	822	808	756	801	858	897

	2006	2007	2008
Lee	642	764	714
Florida	916	907	850

Source: Florida Department of Law Enforcement (base data)

Table 61: Crime Rate per 100,000 Population

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Lee	5,414	5,226	5,526	5,121	4,954	4,838	4,770	4,529	4,034	4,061
Florida	7,623	7,491	7,298	6,834	6,098	5,604	5,580	5,398	5,164	4,855
US	5,275	5,088	4,928	4,620	4,267	4,125	4,163	4,119	4,691	4,746

	2005	2006	2007	2008
Lee	3,925	3,961	4,215	3,855
Florida	4,677	4,632	4,695	4,700
US	4,753	4,803	4,711	

Source: Florida Department of Law Enforcement; US rates from FBI Uniform Crime Report (based on estimated number of arrests)

Table 62: Violent Crime per 100,000 Population

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Lee	645	693	606	597	631	590	647	627	525
Florida	1,062	1,050	1,025	931	841	801	798	767	728
US	685	637	611	568	523	507	505	494	476

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Lee	558	544	539	541	454
Florida	702	702	706	705	670
US	463	469	474	467	

Source: Florida Department of Law Enforcement (base data); US rates from "Crime in the United States"

Table 63: Incarcerated Offenders

	1998	1999	2003	2005	2006	2007	2008
Lee	1,152	1,146	1,550	1,560	1,732	1,891	2,166
Florida	66,280	68,599	77,310	84,896	88,428	92,838	98,053

Source: Florida County Rankings

Table 64: Incarcerated Offenders per 100,000 Population

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Lee	269	255	284	275	260	273	293
Florida	446	440	442	446	437	433	433

	2006	2007	2008
Lee	296	307	347
Florida	482	497	521

Source: Florida County Rankings (base data)

Table 65: Offenders on Community Supervision by Department of Corrections

	1998	1999	2003	2005	2006	2007	2008
Lee	1,587	1,683	2,885	2,489	2,800	3,174	3,517
Florida	144,447	150,300	152,954	144,229	146,182	153,692	158,079

Table 66: Offenders on Community Supervision by Department of Corrections per 100,000 Population

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Lee	702	844	609	646	611	629	618
Florida	1,328	1,347	963	976	935	932	920

	2006	2007	2008
Lee	478	515	564
Florida	797	823	841

Source: Florida County Rankings (base data)

Table 67: Student Survey of Laws and Norms Favorable to Drug Use (Middle School Students)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	49	50	52	53	45
Florida	47	46	45	44	44

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 denote elevated risk (high scores are considered less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Table 68: Student Survey of Laws and Norms Favorable to Handguns (High School Students)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	23	27	19	22	21
Florida	29	24	23	24	23

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 denote elevated risk (high scores are considered less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Table 69: Persons Under 18 Years Old, 2000 (Percent)

Lee	19.6
Florida	22.8
US	25.7

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Table 70: Percent of Households With Persons Under 18 (2000 census)

Lee	24.8
Florida	31.3
US	36.0

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Transitions and Mobility

Table 71: Renter Occupied Housing Units as a Percent of All Housing

Lee	23.5
Florida	29.9
US	33.8

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000

Table 72: Home Ownership

Lee	76.5%
Florida	70.1%

Source: US Census Quick Facts, from 2000 census

Table 73: Mobility in Elementary Schools (as a Percent)

	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00
Lee	35.6	33.6	33.3	31.7
Florida	33.3	32.1	35.0	33.3

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 74: Mobility in Middle Schools (as a Percent)

	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00
Lee	32.8	32.4	37.3	40.3
Florida	29.7	29.1	31.9	30.1

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 75: Mobility in High Schools (as a Percent)

	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00
Lee	35.6	33.6	36.3	40.8
Florida	29.8	28.6	32.6	30.4

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Note: Mobility Rate was replaced by the Stability Rate beginning in 2000-01. Stability Rate is defined as the percentage of students in the fall membership count (October) who are still enrolled at the second semester membership count (February).

Table 76: Stability Rate (%) – Elementary Schools

	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	94.7	94.1	94.3	94.6	94.2	93.8	93.9
Florida	93.7	93.6	93.7	94.3	93.8	93.6	93.8

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 77: Stability Rate (%) –Middle Schools

	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	92.6	92.0	92.5	92.2	92.3	92.6	92.0
Florida	93.6	93.6	93.7	93.9	93.5	93.4	93.6

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 78: Stability Rate (%) – High Schools

	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	90.1	90.4	90.7	89.2	89.1	90.2	90.3
Florida	91.8	92.2	92.2	92.0	91.4	91.4	91.8

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

The stability rate for all school levels for 2007-08 for Lee County was 91.4% compared to a state rate of 92.39. As of February 2008, there were 72,472 out of 79,257 students that were enrolled in the same school as of October 2007. Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 79: Estimated 2009 Population and Projected Population Change

	2009	2010	2015	2020
Lee	642,994	654,599	756,681	852,005

Source: Demographic Estimating Conference, Florida Office of Economic and Demographic Research

Table 80: Residential Building Permits (New Construction)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Lee	5,908	8,045	8,816	9,120	10,958	11,146	15,675
Florida	133,406	148,522	164,379	155,077	166,189	183,603	212,444

	2004	2005	2006	2007
Lee	20,395	29,330	18,123	9,099
Florida	255,400	287,250	199,858	140,358

Source: Florida County Rankings

Table 81: Residential Building Permits Per 100,000 Population

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Lee	1,499	1,983	2,114	2,069	2,409	2,346	3,166
Florida	907	990	1,068	970	1,019	1,101	1,244

	2004	2005	2006	2007
Lee	3,913	5,338	3,095	1,478
Florida	1,458	1,603	1,089	751

Source: Florida County Rankings (base data)

Table 82: Percent Single Family Homes for Residential Building Permits (New Construction)

	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Lee	53.6	68.4	59.6	64.1	61.7
Florida	64.6	68.4	71.3	69.2	73.6

	2004	2005	2006	2007
Lee	73.3	75.7	80.0	47.9
Florida	73.2	72.8	72.3	50.0

Source: Florida County Rankings

Table 83: Student Survey of Personal Transitions and Mobility (High School Students)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	66	73	70	72	69
Florida	59	64	67	65	64

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 are considered elevated risks (high scores are considered less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Table 84: School District Membership (Public Schools)

	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	52,681	54,232	56,421	58,484	60,684	65,139
Florida	2,275,382	2,324,059	2,375,201	2,436,202	2,465,356	2,523,224

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	69,368	73,735	77,474	80,541
Florida	2,572,963	2,607,110	2,614,494	2,653,377

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 85: Percent Change in Public School Membership from Previous Year

	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	4.0%	3.7%	3.8%	7.3%	6.5%	6.3%	5.1%	4.0%
Florida	2.2%	2.6%	1.2%	2.3%	2.0%	1.3%	0.3%	1.5%

Source: Florida School Indicators Report (base data)

Table 86: Lee County Youth Age 0-17, Population Increase from 2000 to 2007

	Increase	% Change
White Non-Hispanic	12,681	21
White Hispanic	19,824	149
Black Non-Hispanic	4,418	49
Black Hispanic	737	110
Other Non-Hispanic	1,617	135
Other Hispanic	418	159
Total Hispanic	20,979	149
Total	39,695	50

Source: Florida Office of Economic and Demographic Research (base data)

Table 87: Population Change Due to Net Migration, 2000-2007

	Change in Population	Percent Due to Net Migration	Rank Among 67 Florida Counties for Most Change
Lee	171,478	98.1%	1
Florida	2,361,533	87.5%	

Source: Florida County Rankings 2008

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Table 88: Renter Occupied Housing Units (%)

Lee	23.5
Florida	29.9
US	33.8

Source: Census 2000

Table 89: Registered Voters

	2000	2002	2003	2004	2005
Lee	252,918	278,255	285,284	300,944	323,404
Florida	8,752,717	9,059,799	9,261,763	9,729,671	10,501,148

	2006	2007	2008
Lee	321,659	246,521	288,609
Florida	10,486,384	10,251,312	10,395,204

Source: Florida County Rankings

Table 90: Percent of Eligible Population Registered to Vote

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Lee	74.5	71.2	72.0	73.7	68.8	50.3
Florida	71.7	70.1	71.7	75.7	73.7	70.7

Source: Florida County Rankings (base data)

Table 91: Voter Participation – Percent Turnout for Elections

	1998	2000	2004	2006
Lee	51.7	74.7	79.3	47.7
Florida	49.5	70.1	74.2	46.8
US	36.1			

Source: Florida County Rankings; turnout for state election, US rate from Committee for the Study of the American Electorate.

Table 92: Student Survey of Low Neighborhood Attachment (High School Students)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	53	49	57	49	56
Florida	47	47	47	48	49

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 are considered elevated rates (high scores are considered less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Table 93: Student Survey of Community Disorganization (High School Students)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	42	39	48	45	48
Florida	46	45	46	46	49

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 are considered elevated rates (high scores are considered less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Extreme Economic Deprivation

Table 94: Persons Living in Poverty, 2007 (percent)

	All Ages	Under age 18 in Poverty	Ages 5-17 in Families in Poverty
Lee	10.1	15.3	15.5
Florida	12.1	17.1	13.1
US	13.0	18.0	16.4

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates

Table 95: Unemployment Rate (Annual Averages)

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Lee	3.7	3.4	3.0	2.6	2.6	3.2	4.0	4.0	3.9
Florida	5.1	4.8	4.3	3.9	3.6	4.8	5.5	5.1	4.8
US	5.4	4.9	4.5	4.2	4.0	4.8	5.8	6.0	5.5

	2005	2006	2007	2008
Lee	3.2	2.9	4.6	8.1
Florida	3.8	3.4	4.1	6.2
US	5.1	4.6	4.6	5.8

Source: Florida Agency for Workforce Innovation

Table 96: Estimated Median Household Income

	1993	1995	1997	1999	2000	2004
Lee	29,174	31,904	34,117	37,403	39,262	45,024
Florida	28,230	29,998	32,877	36,309	38,784	41,236
US	31,241	29,998	37,005	40,696	41,990	44,694

	2005	2006	2007
Lee	46,000	48,674	50,750
Florida	42,437	45,494	47,804
US	46,242	48,451	50,740

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates

Table 97: Free and Reduced Lunch – Elementary School (percent of students qualifying)

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	52.4	53.1	51.9	52.1	52.3	53.6	51.1
Florida	52.2	52.8	53.2	53.3	52.3	52.9	53.5

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	50.2	49.9	48.4
Florida	53.1	52.4	51.9

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 98: Free and Reduced Lunch - Middle School (percent of students qualifying)

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	39.9	42.7	43.8	42.4	42.4	47.2	45.8
Florida	44.2	44.9	45.2	45.7	45.9	47.0	48.0

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	44.8	44.1	42.2
Florida	48.7	47.7	46.6

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

For 2007-08 in Lee County public schools, 46.2% of all students were eligible for the free/reduced lunch program. Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 99: Average Daily Homeless Population

	2002	2003	2005	2006	2007	2008
Lee	1,919	2,012	2,056	2,078	2,382	899
Florida	72,632	76,675	83,391	85,907	60,168	59,036

Source: Florida Department of Children and Families

Community Protective Factors

Community Rewards for Pro-Social Involvement

Table 100: Student Survey of Community Rewards for Pro-Social Involvement (Middle School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	52	47	45	43	44
Florida	54	51	50	51	51

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores below 50 are considered a low protective factor (high scores are considered more desirable than low scores for protective factors).

Family Risk Factors

Family History of the Problem Behavior

Table 101: Births to Teen Mothers With One or More Previous Births (percent)

	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Lee	23.9	19.7	19.8	21.2	20.4	21.2	22.7	21.918
Florida	21.6	21.0	20.3	20.1	19.9	18.6	18.6	18.2

Source: Florida County Rankings

Table 102: Student Survey of Family History of Antisocial Behavior (High School Students)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	49	53	43	46	48
Florida	49	46	48	45	43

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 are considered elevated rates (high scores are considered less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Family Management Problems

Table 103: Student Survey of Poor Family Management (Middle School Students)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	52	50	57	56	50
Florida	52	51	52	52	49

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 are considered elevated rates (high scores are considered less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Table 104: Rate of Verified Victims of Abuse, Neglect or Threatened Harm per 1,000 Child Population Age 0-17 (duplicated)

	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	8.2	9.1	8.5	10.2
Florida	14.3	14.0	14.0	13.3

Source: Department of Children and Families (base data)

Family Conflict

Table 105: Dissolutions of Marriages with Children Affected

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Lee	924	938	928	893	836	890	920	896
Florida	32,613	34,522	33,674	33,875	33,672	34,483	33,741	33,843

	2004	2005	2006
Lee	841	897	965
Florida	32,199	31,118	31,814

Source: Florida's Children at a Glance

Table 106: Dissolutions of Marriage with Children Affected Per 1,000 Youth Population (0-17)

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Lee	12.09	12.00	11.53	10.76	9.92	9.81	9.91	9.13
Florida	10.00	10.43	9.98	9.76	9.57	9.18	8.88	8.72

	2004	2005	2006
Lee	8.40	8.24	7.85
Florida	8.23	7.70	7.66

Source: Florida's Children at a Glance (base data)

Table 107: Dissolutions of Marriage

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Lee	2,156	2,116	2,127	2,919	2,087	2,273	2,114
Florida	82,161	80,466	80,983	81,493	85,259	85,181	85,367

	2004	2005	2006
Lee	2,062	2,127	2,307
Florida	83,306	81,287	85,955

Source: Florida County Rankings

Table 108: Dissolutions of Marriage per 100,000 Population

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Lee	547	522	510	458	459	478	487	396	387	394
Florida	558	536	526	510	511	511	500	476	454	468

Source: Florida Statistical Abstract & Florida County Rankings (base data)

Table 109: Incidents of Domestic Violence

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Lee	4,145	3,438	3,258	3,156	2,397	2,692	2,819	2,778
Florida	132,704	136,382	133,345	126,044	124,629	124,016	121,834	120,697

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Lee	2,767	2,892	2,710	2,914	3,196
Florida	119,772	120,386	115,170	115,150	113,123

Source: Florida Department of Law Enforcement. Domestic violence crimes include murder, manslaughter, forcible rape, forcible sodomy, forcible fondling, aggravated assault, aggravated stalking, simple assault, simple stalking, and threat/intimidation.

Table 110: Domestic Violence Per 100,000 Population

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Lee	1,080	872	803	757	544	591	593	561	531	526
Florida	921	927	889	823	780	759	731	707	684	672

	2006	2007	2008
Lee	463	440	512
Florida	628	617	602

Source: Florida Department of Law Enforcement. Domestic violence crimes include murder, manslaughter, forcible rape, forcible sodomy, forcible fondling, aggravated assault, aggravated stalking, simple assault, simple stalking, and threat/intimidation.

Favorable Parental Attitudes and Involvement in Crime and Drugs

Table 111: Student Survey of Favorable Parental Attitudes to ATOD Use (High School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	46	45	44	45	41
Florida	37	38	40	39	38

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 are considered elevated rates (high scores are considered less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Table 112: Student Survey of Favorable Parental Attitudes to Antisocial Behavior (High School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	45	47	48	50	52
Florida	40	42	44	46	45

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 are considered elevated rates (high scores are considered less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Family Protective Factors

Family Attachment

Table 113: Student Survey of Family Attachment (High School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	61	58	56	51	53
Florida	54	46	55	53	55

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores below 50 denote a low protective factor (high scores are considered more desirable than low scores for protective factors).

Family Opportunities for Pro-Social Involvement

Table 114: Student Survey of Family Opportunities for Pro-social Involvement (High School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	60	62	53	51	53
Florida	54	55	53	52	53

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores below 50 denote a low protective factor (high scores are considered more desirable than low scores for protective factors).

Family Rewards for Pro-social Involvement

Table 115: Student Survey of Family Rewards for Pro-social Involvement (High School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	60	55	53	48	52
Florida	53	54	54	52	54

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores below 50 denote a low protective factor (high scores are considered more desirable than low scores for protective factors).

School Risk Factors

Early and Persistent Anti-Social Behavior

Table 116: Incidents of Crime and Violence in the Schools (Elementary Schools)

	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	645	708	375	319	881	1,703
Florida	27,854	25,103	28,511	22,952	22,126	20,400

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 117: Incidents of Crime and Violence in the Schools per 1,000 Students (Elementary)

	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	22.4	23.9	12.1	10.3	24.2	43.3
Florida	23.3	21.1	23.8	18.7	17.6	16.2

Source: Florida School Indicators Report (base data), per elementary school population

Table 118: Disabilities – Elementary School (%)

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	17.0	17.1	16.9	15.5	14.8	14.5	14.4
Florida	14.8	14.9	15.1	15.2	15.1	15.3	15.4

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	14.3	14.4	13.8
Florida	15.2	15.3	15.0

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 119: School Disciplinary Problems – Total Incidents of Crime and Violence in the Schools

	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	4,647	4,448	3,814	3,167	4,461	5,593	3,027
Florida	126,172	120,138	133,179	111,489	101,475	94,814	84,590

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 120: In School Suspensions in High School (% of Youth)

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	24.9	27.4	24.3	22.5	18.4	20.1	24.0
Florida	15.9	15.7	13	15.6	15.7	15.8	16.7

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	20.3	16.7	20.1
Florida	16.0	16.2	16.2

Source: Florida School Indicators Report;

Table 121: In School Suspensions (% of Youth)

	2007-08
Lee	10.8
Florida	8.7

Source: Florida School Indicators Report; as of 7/09 was not reported by school level, figure given is for all school levels

Table 122: Out of School Suspensions in High School (% of Youth)

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	16.2	13.1	17.3	12.6	13.7	14.7	14.6
Florida	13.4	13.6	12.4	12.2	12.4	12.8	12.8

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	12.8	11.0	11.6
Florida	12.1	12.2	12.0

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 123: Out of School Suspensions (% of Youth)

	2007-08
Lee	7.6
Florida	7.6

Source: Florida School Indicators Report; figure given is for all school levels

Academic Failure Beginning in Late Elementary School

Table 124: Non-Promotions

	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	2,989	3,125	4,024	5,250	5,469	5,488	5,439
Florida	173,620	162,487	208,296	201,649	190,994	175,799	159,147

Source: Florida's Children at a Glance

Table 125: Non-Promotions per 1,000 Students

	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02
Lee	40.50	48.84	47.04	55.08	51.20	51.48
Florida	50.40	60.95	69.27	67.92	71.29	64.88

	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	63.72	79.03	77.19	72.58	68.86
Florida	82.00	77.61	72.35	65.85	59.75

Source: Florida's Children at a Glance (base data)

Table 126: Student Survey of Poor Academic Performance (Middle School Students)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	54	45	50	52	51
Florida	54	47	47	47	45

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 are considered elevated rates (high scores are considered less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Lack of Commitment to School

Table 127: School Drop Out Rate (%)

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	3.6	4.9	4.6	5.6	7.0	5.9	2.9
Florida	3.9	5.4	4.6	3.8	3.2	3.1	2.9

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	2.9	3.5	2.4	1.8
Florida	3.0	3.5	3.3	2.6

Source: Florida Department of Education

Table 128: Graduation Rate

	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	82.5	83.7	69.4	67.8	65.9	66.0	68.3	70.7
Florida	81.5	73.18	60.2	62.3	63.8	67.9	69.0	71.6

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	69.4	71.5	71.8	77.8
Florida	71.9	71.0	72.4	75.4

Source: Florida Department of Education

Table 129: Middle School Students Absent 21+ Days (%)

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	12.9	12.6	11.7	11.5	11.5	10.2	11.2
Florida	15.6	14.5	12.2	11.6	11.4	10.9	10.9

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	11.4	12.3	10.6
Florida	11.3	10.7	9.6

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 130: High School Students Absent 21+ Days (%)

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	16.8	16.7	15.8	14.4	15.0	13.0	15.6
Florida	19.1	17.9	16.5	15.7	15.1	14.5	14.8

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	17.5	14.9	13.7
Florida	14.8	15.9	14.5

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Students Absent 21+ Days in 2007-8 for all Lee County schools as 8.3% and for the state as 9.6%. Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 131: Percent of High School Graduates Continuing Education (Public Schools)

	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	69.0	70.9	68.1	48.8	48.8	49.8
Florida	49.8	51.9	55.0	56.1	57.9	59.5

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	52.5	52.7	55.1	58.2
Florida	57.6	61.2	61.7	63.6

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 132: Student Survey of Lack of Commitment to School (Middle School Students)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	54	64	59	58	59
Florida	41	54	55	55	55

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 are considered elevated rates (high scores are considered less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

School Protective Factors

School Opportunities for Pro-Social Involvement

Table 133: Student Survey of School Opportunities for Pro-Social Involvement (Middle School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	50	38	49	44	50
Florida	48	44	44	45	47

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores below 50 denote a low protective factor (high scores are considered more desirable than low scores for protective factors).

School Rewards for Pro-Social Involvement

Table 134: Student Survey of School Rewards for Pro-Social Involvement (Middle School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	45	33	48	43	49
Florida	44	41	42	43	45

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores below 50 denote a low protective factor (high scores are considered more desirable than low scores for protective factors).

Individual/Peer Risk Factors

Alienation & Rebelliousness

Table 135: Student Survey of Rebelliousness (High School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	45	38	37	45	45
Florida	41	38	41	42	41

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 denote elevated rates (high scores are considered less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Sensation Seeking

Table 136: Student Survey of Sensation Seeking (High School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	48	44	43	48	48
Florida	44	41	43	44	44

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 are considered elevated rates (high scores are less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Friends Who Engage in the Problem Behavior

Table 137: Student Survey of Friends who Engage in Delinquency (High School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	52	43	47	47	49
Florida	47	43	45	45	44

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 are considered elevated rates (high scores are less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Table 138: Student Survey of Friends who Engage in the Use of Drugs (High School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	51	47	40	48	46
Florida	47	43	44	42	39

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 are considered elevated rates (high scores are less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Favorable Attitudes Toward the Problem Behavior

Table 139: Student Survey of Favorable Attitudes Toward Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs (Middle School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	45	49	48	52	42
Florida	47	47	47	45	40

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 are considered elevated rates (high scores are less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Table 140: Student Survey of Favorable Attitudes Toward Antisocial Behavior (Middle School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	45	56	57	60	52
Florida	46	48	52	52	48

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 are considered elevated rates (high scores are less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Peer Rewards for Antisocial Behavior

Table 141: Student Survey of Peer Rewards for Antisocial Behavior (Middle School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	36	45	41	45	43
Florida	38	42	42	41	42

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 are considered elevated rates (high scores are less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Early Initiation of the Problem Behavior

Table 142: Student Survey of Early Initiation of Drug Use (Middle School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	47	49	46	52	37
Florida	51	49	47	43	37

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores above 50 are considered elevated rates (high scores are less desirable than low scores for risk factors).

Table 143: Elementary School Students Absent 21+ Days

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
Lee	6.2	6.4	5.5	5.4	5.6	5.9	5.4	6.6
Florida	8.7	7.5	6.2	6.4	6.0	6.1	6.2	7.4

	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	6.2	5.9
Florida	7.2	6.8

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 144: Mean Age of First Substance Use – More Than a Sip or Two of Alcohol

	2000	2002	2004	2006
Lee	12.4	12.6	12.7	12.6
Florida	12.3	12.5	12.6	12.7

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey

Table 145: Mean Age of First Substance Use – Drinking At Least Once a Month

	2000	2002	2004	2006
Lee	13.9	13.9	14.0	14.2
Florida	13.9	14.1	14.2	14.3

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey

Table 146: Mean Age of First Substance Use – Cigarettes

	2000	2002	2004	2006
Lee	11.9	12.0	12.1	12.4
Florida	12.0	12.1	12.2	12.4

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey

Table 147: Mean Age of First Substance Use – Marijuana Use

	2000	2002	2004	2006
Lee	13.4	13.3	13.3	13.7
Florida	13.2	13.5	13.5	13.6

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey

Table 148: Percent of Youth Who Started Using Alcohol, Tobacco , or Other Drugs at Age 13 or Younger

	<i>More than a sip of alcohol</i>	<i>Cigarettes</i>	<i>Marijuana</i>
Lee	33.9	23.4	13.5
Florida	32.3	19.9	10.6

Source: 2008 Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey

Table 149: Incidents of Crime and Violence in the Schools (Elementary Schools)

	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	645	708	375	319	881	1,703
Florida	27,854	25,103	28,511	22,952	22,126	20,400

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 150: Incidents of Alcohol, Tobacco & Other Drugs in the Schools – Elementary Schools

	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	16	4	16	7	8	15
Florida	528	397	441	445	367	468

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 151 : Births to Females Age 10 – 14 per 1,000 Population – Three Year Averages

	1995-1997	1998-2000	2001-2003
Lee	1.4	1.0	1.1
Florida	1.4	1.1	0.8

Source: Florida Department of Health

Individual /Peer Protective Factors

Religiosity

Table 152: Student Survey of Religiosity (High School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	58	60	61	57	57
Florida	62	63	62	61	61

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores below 50 are considered a low protective factor (high scores are considered more desirable than low scores for protective factors).

Table 153: Student Survey of Religiosity (Middle School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	48	53	51	43	46
Florida	52	55	53	52	51

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores below 50 are considered a low protective factor (high scores are considered more desirable than low scores for protective factors).

Social Skills

Table 154: Student Survey of Social Skills (High School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	54	60	63	57	59
Florida	56	61	60	60	62

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores below 50 are considered a low protective factor (high scores are considered more desirable than low scores for protective factors).

Table 155: Student Survey of Social Skills (Middle School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	45	46	49	44	--
Florida	49	50	49	49	--

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores below 50 are considered a low protective factor (high scores are considered more desirable than low scores for protective factors).

Belief in a Moral Order

Table 156: Student Survey of Belief in a Moral Order (High School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	57	58	58	55	60
Florida	60	60	58	58	59

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores below 50 are considered a low protective factor (high scores are considered more desirable than low scores for protective factors).

Table 157: Student Survey of Belief in a Moral Order (Middle School)

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008
Lee	46	42	35	34	--
Florida	48	44	42	43	--

Source: Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. Scores below 50 are considered a low protective factor (high scores are considered more desirable than low scores for protective factors).

Population and Demographics

Table 158: Total Population

	1990	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Lee	335,113	440,888	454,918	475,073	495,088	521,253
Circuit 20	631,551	880,678	910,878	947,869	986,788	
FL	12,938,071	15,982,378	16,311,739	16,674,608	17,071,508	17,516,732
US	249,464,396	281,421,906	284,796,887	288,368,698	290,809,777	293,656,842

	2005	2006	2007	2008
Lee	549,442	585,608	615,741	623,725
Circuit 20	1,070,365	1,122,055	1,164,889	1,174,897
FL	17,918,227	18,349,132	18,680,367	18,807,219
US	296,507,061	299,398,484	301,621,157	

U.S Census Bureau; local figures from Florida Department of Law Enforcement

Table 159: Voting Age Population Age 18 and Over

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Lee	315,763	325,629	335,235	354,500	365,558	382,814	400,446
FL	11,400,447	11,637,384	11,892,978	12,336,038	12,610,393	12,924,261	13,214,036

	2004	2005	2006	2007
Lee	417,892	438,744	467,565	489,668
FL	13,577,832	13,875,795	14,235,367	14,500,727

Source: Florida County Rankings

Table 160: Population Age 0-17

	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
Lee	82,136	82,976	84,241	90,726	92,772	98,187	100,073
Circuit 20	159,523	162,549	165,787	181,023	185,588	194,941	199,404
FL	3,427,314	3,471,344	3,517,752	3,758,074	3,801,210	3,879,798	3,910,318

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	108,817	122,956	126,073
Circuit 20	213,163	228,502	
FL	4,043,666	4,152,274	

Source: Florida Department of Children & Families

Table 161: Population Age 10-17

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	35,989	35,411	37,377	39,661	40,794	42,586	44,249
Circuit 20	72,806	70,444	74,578	79,201	81,393	84,703	87,953
FL	1,552,956	1,533,012	1,600,592	1,682,665	1,707,226	1,734,189	1,777,176

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	46,874	50,306	52,690	55,689
Circuit 20	92,790	97,295	100,344	104,216
FL	1,829,260	1,881,114	1,896,228	1,917,765

Source: Department of Juvenile Justice

Table 162: Elementary School Student Membership (Public Schools)

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
Lee	26,750	27,114	27,383	28,690	28,796	29,667	30,989	30,989
Circuit	53,053	54,180	54,690	56,855	56,977	59,184	61,521	
Florida	1,138,979	1,150,251	1,164,051	1,176,938	1,193,270	1,188,050	1,200,241	1,227,602

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	36,451	39,285	39,902
Circuit	68,673	71,852	
Florida	1,254,460	1,261,429	1,258,199

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 163: Middle School Student Membership (Public Schools)

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
Lee	12,002	12,050	12,972	13,372	14,483	14,900	15,783	16,507
Circuit	24,408	24,951	26,143	27,228	29,017	29,985	31,417	
Florida	519,014	525,020	534,202	554,265	572,023	582,083	596,480	600,586

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	16,779	16,596	17,512
Circuit	32,148	31,869	
Florida	589,705	583,076	596,779

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 164: High School Student Membership (Public Schools)

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
Lee	13,190	13,517	13,877	14,359	15,205	16,117	18,367	19,558
Circuit	27,337	28,559	29,383	30,587	32,268	34,134	37,750	
Florida	577,984	600,111	625,806	643,998	670,909	695,223	726,503	744,775

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	20,505	21,593	23,127
Circuit	40,960	42,130	
Florida	762,945	769,989	798,399

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 165: Total School Student Membership (Public Schools)

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
Lee	51,942	52,681	54,232	56,421	58,484	60,684	65,139	69,368
Florida	2,235,977	2,275,382	2,324,059	2,375,201	2,436,202	2,465,356	2,523,224	2,572,963

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	73,735	77,474	80,541
Circuit	141,781	145,851	149,734
Florida	2,607,110	2,614,494	2,653,377

Source: Florida School Indicators Report

Table 166: Population Estimates of Communities in Lee County

	2004	2008	Percent Change
Bonita Springs	41,070	46,681	13.7%
Cape Coral	132,379	165,774	25.2%
Fort Myers	57,585	68,689	19.3%
Fort Myers Beach	6,945	6,928	-0.2%
Sanibel	6,335	6,374	0.6%
Unincorporated Lee County	276,939	329,279	18.9%
Lee County Total Population	521,253	623,725	19.7%

Source: Florida Office of Economic and Demographic Research

Table 167: Median Age

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Lee County	45.9	46.6	45.8	45.4	45.6	45.2
Florida	39.4	39.4	39.6	39.7	39.9	39.9
US	35.7					

Source: Florida County Rankings; US rate from Florida and the Nation 2004

Table 168: Lee County Youth Population by Age and Race, 2007

Race	Hispanic Origin	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-17	Total
White	Nonhispanic	18,601	19,938	20,743	13,263	72,545
White	Hispanic	10,715	9,420	8,358	4,598	33,091
Black	Nonhispanic	4,524	4,312	4,263	2,431	15,530
Black	Hispanic	457	401	356	196	1,410
Other	Nonhispanic	821	781	773	441	2,816
Other	Hispanic	220	194	172	95	681
All Races	Both	35,338	35,046	34,665	21,024	126,073

Source: Florida Office of Economic and Demographic Research

Populations At Risk

Children Living in Poverty

Table 169: Children Living in Poverty – Persons Under 18

	1995	1997	2000
Lee	16,266	16,403	13,356
Florida	837,705	775,812	627,997

Source: Florida Statistical Abstract; 2000 from Kids Count

	2005	2006	2007
Lee	16,930	16,192	18,656
Florida		695,303	685,647

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates

Table 170: Students Eligible to Participate in Free/Reduced Lunch

	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	24,625 (42.2%)	26,135 (43.1%)	28,981 (45.9%)	29,921 (45.0%)
Florida	1,069,697 (43.9%)	1,094,262 (43.7%)	1,133,537 (44.6%)	1,179,973 (45.4%)

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2008-09
Lee	31,490 (44.4%)	33,503 (44.3%)	33,612 (42.6%)	37,210 (46.2%)
Florida	1,225,629 (46.4%)	1,226,533 (45.9%)	1,208,957 (45.4%)	1,217,900 (45.9%)

Source: Florida's Children at a Glance

Low Birth Weight Children

Table 171: Low Birthweight Births in Lee County

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Total	390	458	450	449	483	555	624
White	287	342	366	354	371	430	490
Nonwhite	102	115	84	95	110	125	134

Source: Florida's Children at a Glance

Table 172: Percent Low Birth Weight Births

	Lee						
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
All Races	7.5%	8.6%	8.4%	7.9%	8.2%	8.3%	8.3%
White	6.5%	7.6%	8.0%	7.4%	7.4%	7.6%	7.7%
Non-White	12.9%	13.4%	10.4%	11.3%	12.0%	12.3%	12.1%

	Florida						
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
All Races	8.0%	7.3%	8.4%	8.5%	8.6%	8.8%	8.7%
White	6.6%	6.8%	7.1%	7.1%	7.2%	7.4%	7.4%
Non-White	11.9%	11.9%	12.2%	12.5%	12.3%	12.7%	12.5%

	US						
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
All Races	7.6%	7.7%	7.8%	7.9%	8.1%	8.2%	

Source: Florida's Children at a Glance; US rates from Kids Count

Teenage and/or Single Parent

Table 173: Children Living in Single Parent Households or Other, 2000

	Lee	Percent	Florida	Percent
Female Householder*	17,105	19.8	13,307,097	18.4
Male Householder*	5,615	6.5	3,505	4.8
Other Relative Household	6,997	8.1	6,042,435	8.4
Other**	242	0.3	1,756,740	0.2

Source: Florida Kids Count Data Book, 2004. * own child, ** other includes spouse households, non-relative households, and group quarters

Table 174: Births to Unwed Mothers in Lee County and Percent of Births

	2000		2001		2002	
Total	2,116	40.7%	2,285	42.8%	2,269	42.1%
White	1,555	35.3%	1,671	37.3%	1,715	37.5%
Nonwhite	560	71.0%	614	71.7%	554	68.3%

	2003		2004		2005	
Total	2,441	43.2%	2,576	43.5%	3,067	45.7%
White	1,890	39.3%	1,995	39.9%	2,419	42.6%
Nonwhite	551	65.3%	577	63.1%	647	63.6%

	2006	
Total	3,499	46.7%
White	2,801	43.9%
Nonwhite	696	62.8%

Source: Florida's Children at a Glance. Percents are relative to total births in county by total, white and nonwhite.

Table 175: Births to Unwed Mothers Under Age 20 in Lee County and Percent of Births

	2000		2001		2002	
Total	580	11.2%	574	10.8%	579	10.7%
White	408	9.3%	417	9.3%	431	9.4%
Nonwhite	172	21.8%	157	18.3%	148	18.2%

	2003		2004		2005	
Total	598	10.6%	625	10.6%	708	10.6%
White	463	9.6%	459	9.2%	543	9.6%
Nonwhite	135	16.0%	164	17.9%	165	16.2%

	2006	
Total	801	10.7%
White	633	9.9%
Nonwhite	167	15.1%

Source: Florida's Children at a Glance. Percents are relative to total births in county by total, white and nonwhite.

Table 176: Births to Mothers Under Age 20

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Lee	708	689	732	833	950
Florida	23,559	23,130	23,804	24,582	25,860

Source: Florida County Rankings

Education of Mother

Table 177: Births to Mothers with Less Than a High School Education (No Diploma or GED)

	2004	2005	2006
Lee County	1,640	1,848	2,179

Source: Florida's Children At a Glance

Table 178: Percent of Total Births to Mothers with Less Than a High School Education (No Diploma or GED)

	2004	2005	2006
Lee County	28%	28%	29%
Florida	21%	21%	21%

Source: Florida's Children At a Glance (base data)

Table 179: Percent of Births to Mothers With 0-12 Years of Education

	2000		2001		2002		2003	
	White	Nonwhite	White	Nonwhite	White	Nonwhite	White	Nonwhite
Lee	62.1	83.3	64.0	82.9	30.4	82.6	61.7	78.7
Florida	50.8	66.2	51.0	65.5	50.5	64.1	49.9	63.2

	2004		2005		2006	
	White	Nonwhite	White	Nonwhite	White	Nonwhite
Lee	61.2	70.8	60.7	74.9	62.8	70.9
Florida	49.7	61.1	49.9	59.6	49.9	58.6

Source: Florida County Rankings; persons designated as "Hispanic" were counted as white.

Victimization/Exposure to Violence

Table 180: Number of Verified Victims of Child Abuse, Neglect, or Threatened Harm

	2005-06	2006-07
Lee	548	759
Florida	32,911	33,821

Source: Department of Children and Families

Table 181: Lee County Arrested Youth With History of Trauma

	2007-08	Percent of Arrested Lee County Youth with Trauma History	Percent of Arrested Florida Youth with Trauma History
Black Males	199	16.3%	12.2%
White Males	331	19.3%	16.9%
Hispanic Males	145	16.2%	11.9%
Black Females	105	26.9%	19.8%
White Females	261	34.2%	30.1%
Hispanic Females	54	33.1%	20.1%
Total	1,140	21.4%	16.6%
All Females	432	31.7%	24.7%
All Males	708	17.9%	13.9%

Source: Department of Juvenile Justice PACT, 2007-08; Hispanic includes Black and White Hispanics; "Other" included in Total

Table 182: Lee County Arrested Youth With History of Physical Abuse

	2007-08	Percent of Arrested Lee County Youth with Physical Abuse History	Percent of Arrested Florida Youth with Physical Abuse History
Black Males	46	3.8%	12.4%
White Males	209	12.8%	20.6%
Hispanic Males	66	7.4%	14.6%
Black Females	79	20.2%	21.5%
White Females	176	23.1%	29.3%
Hispanic Females	34	20.9%	20.5%
Total	634	11.9%	18.2%
All Females	294	21.6%	24.9%
All Males	340	8.6%	15.8%

Source: Department of Juvenile Justice PACT, 2007-08; Hispanic includes Black and White Hispanics; "Other" included in Total

Table 183: Lee County Arrested Youth With History of Sexual Abuse

	2007-08	Percent of Lee County Arrested Youth with Sexual Abuse History	Percent of Arrested Florida Youth with Sexual Abuse History
Black Males	12	1.0%	1.8%
White Males	47	2.7%	4.5%
Hispanic Males	2	0.2%	2.0%
Black Females	54	13.8%	16.5%
White Females	169	22.1%	24.3%
Hispanic Females	39	23.9%	16.0%
Total	334	6.3%	7.2%
All Females	267	19.6%	20.0%
All Males	67	1.7%	2.9%

Source: Department of Juvenile Justice PACT, 2007-08; Hispanic includes Black and White Hispanics; "Other" included in Total

Children Affected by Family Disruption

Table 184: Minimum Number of Children Affected by Dissolutions of Marriage

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Lee	1,519	1,545	1,518	1,477	1,408	1,452	1,527	1,532
Florida	53,988	56,832	55,503	55,381	55,250	56,335	55,303	55,443

	2004	2005	2006
Lee	1,351	1,518	1,609
Florida	52,600	50,641	51,842

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School Failure

Table 185: Number of School Non-Promotions

	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Lee	2,119	2,627	2,577	3,103	2,989	3,125	4,024	5,250
Florida	112,948	139,816	161,753	161,873	173,620	162,487	208,292	201,649

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	5,469	5,488	5,439	2,464
Florida	190,994	175,799	159,147	132,465

Source: Florida's Children at a Glance; 2007-08 from Florida School Indicators Report

Table 186: Number of Non-Promotions by Grade Level for Lee Public Schools

Grade Level	2006-07		2007-08	
	Non-promotions	Rate of Non-promotions	Non-Promotions	Rate of Non-promotions
K	762	11.2%	599	8.8%
1	512	7.9%	346	5.2%
2	312	5.2%	202	3.2%
3	518	8.2%	402	6.3%
4	107	1.8%	59	1.0%
5	61	1.1%	42	0.7%
6	244	4.1%	194	3.3%
7	207	3.6%	144	2.4%
8	105	1.8%	88	1.6%
9	1,110	15.7%	1	0.0%
10	788	13.9%	0	0.0%
11	426	8.1%	1	0.0%
12	286	6.3%	387	7.4%
Total	5,438	6.9%	2,465	3.1%

Source: Florida Department of Education

Table 187: Non-Promotion Rates By Race and Gender 2007-08 (%)

	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Multiracial	Female	Male
Lee	2.1%	5.2%	3.8%	1.3%	3.2%	3.3%	2.5%	3.6%
Florida	3.8%	7.6%	5.2%	2.4%	4.5%	4.4%	4.0%	6.0%

Source: Florida Department of Education

Table 188: Number of School Dropouts

	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03
Lee	906	772	901	956	1,178	1,612	1,438
Florida	31,926	30,583	64,840	59,097	50,604	40,266	44,647

	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Lee	751	801	1,038	713	518
Florida	43,322	49,016	53,770	47,166	23,886

Source: Florida's Children at a Glance. Starting in 1998-99 students in grade K-12 who withdrew from school were counted. In prior years the number of students age 16 and over were counted. Students under 16 meeting this criteria were classified as truant. 2007-08 from Florida School Indicators Report as of November 2008.

Table 189: School Dropout Rates by Race and Gender 2007-08 (%)

	White	Black	Hispanic	Female	Male	All
Lee	1.6	2.3	2.1	1.7	1.9	1.8
Florida	1.9	3.6	3.1	2.3	2.9	2.6

Source: Florida Department of Education

Table 190: Population Ages 16-19 Who Are High School Dropouts, 2000

	Number	Percent
Lee	2,633	15.4
Florida	94,617	11.9
United States	1,566,039	9.8

Source: Kids Count

Table 191: Population Ages 16-19 Who Are Not in School and Are Not Working, 2000

	Number	Percent
Lee	2,006	11.8
Florida	74,746	9.7
United States	1,423,283	8.9

Source: Kids Count

Disabilities

Table 192: Children Ages 5 to 15 With One or More Disabilities, 2000

	Number	Percent
Lee	3,220	6.0
Florida	138,574	6.0
United States	2,614,919	5.8

Source: Kids Count

Table 193: Children Ages 5 to 17 Who Have Difficulty Speaking English, 2000

	Number	Percent
Lee	3,569	5.6
Florida	179,109	6.6
United States	3,493,118	6.6

Source: Kids Count

Table 194: Students With a Specific Learning Disability

	2004	2005	2006	2007
Lee	5,399	5,419	5,505	5,648
Florida	181,832	181,397	174,484	168,719

Source: Florida County Rankings

Table 195: Students Who Are Emotionally Handicapped

	2004	2005	2006	2007
Lee	817	813	809	859
Florida	29,961	28,669	27,174	30,741

Source: Florida County Rankings

Youth Who Live in High Crime Neighborhoods

Table 196: Lee County Youth Referred to the Department of Juvenile Justice by Zip Code

ZIP CODE	LOCATION	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
		33916	Fort Myers	562	339	388	390	455	381	342	294
33971	Lehigh Acres	66	64	89	97	102	111	154	166	216	188
33905	East Fort Myers	314	209	169	145	158	191	194	184	179	182
33914	Cape Coral	237	172	147	155	161	186	156	147	164	165
33990	Cape Coral	256	174	186	204	218	170	156	177	173	149
33909	Cape Coral	104	63	85	62	67	89	90	124	121	136
33901	Fort Myers	320	176	147	116	121	163	138	102	114	132
33917	North Fort Myers (99%)	197	169	165	169	170	163	150	134	153	120
33936	Lehigh Acres	140	104	107	117	134	145	142	148	148	118
33904	Cape Coral	213	132	107	106	131	140	126	124	132	
33991	Cape Coral	58	38	51	66	81	69	73	97	101	
33993	Matlacha/Cape Coral	5	13	17	24	30	33	35	73	97	
34135	Bonita Springs	85	77	99	92	113	109	83	107	88	
33907	Fort Myers	154	81	77	72	88	112	79	87	82	
33908	Fort Myers	120	61	49	56	31	48	52	71	76	
33967	Estero								8	70	
33903	North Fort Myers	138	84	78	54	64	89	96	90	70	
33912	Fort Myers	177	155	160	140	136	161	161	143	48	
33919	Fort Myers	75	53	67	62	60	53	58	68	45	
33972	Lehigh Acres	39	41	56	44	49	31	45	46	44	
33913	Fort Myers	5	6	12	8	5	22	20	28	31	
33920	Alva (88%)	48	24	30	31	34	27	17	33	26	
33966	Fort Myers									25	
33922	Bokeelia	20	16	15	21	20	13	17	16	22	
33928	Estero	14	10	12	11	19	18	22	32	20	
34134	Bonita Springs	24	16	21	8	14	34	22	24	20	
33931	Fort Myers Beach	22	21	28	22	32	25	22	23	13	
33973	Lehigh									12	
33956	St. James City	7	9	9	8	12	12	8	5	10	
33957	Sanibel	11	13	12	12	9	6	7	2	4	
33974	Lehigh Acres									3	
33976	Lehigh Acres									3	

Source: Department of Juvenile Justice, Bureau of Research and Planning

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- Revised scores for the 2000 Survey were included in the 2002 report. The rationale for weighting of the 2000 scores was that the 2000 report was administered in December and January, while the 2002 survey was administered in May. As a result, the students who responded to the 2000 survey were five months younger than the youth who responded to the survey in 2002. Additional weights were developed to adjust the age distribution of the 2000 survey to match the May survey administration date for the 2002 survey for the purpose of trend analysis.

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