

An aerial, black and white photograph of a city area, likely Southern Dallas, showing a dense grid of streets, buildings, and a prominent winding road or canal. The text is overlaid on the image.

Overview of Southern Dallas

**presented by
State Senator Royce West**

What is Southern Dallas?

The Southern Sector of Dallas is commonly defined as those areas south of I-30 out to the city limits.

The Southern Sector is also defined as Dallas Council Districts 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8.

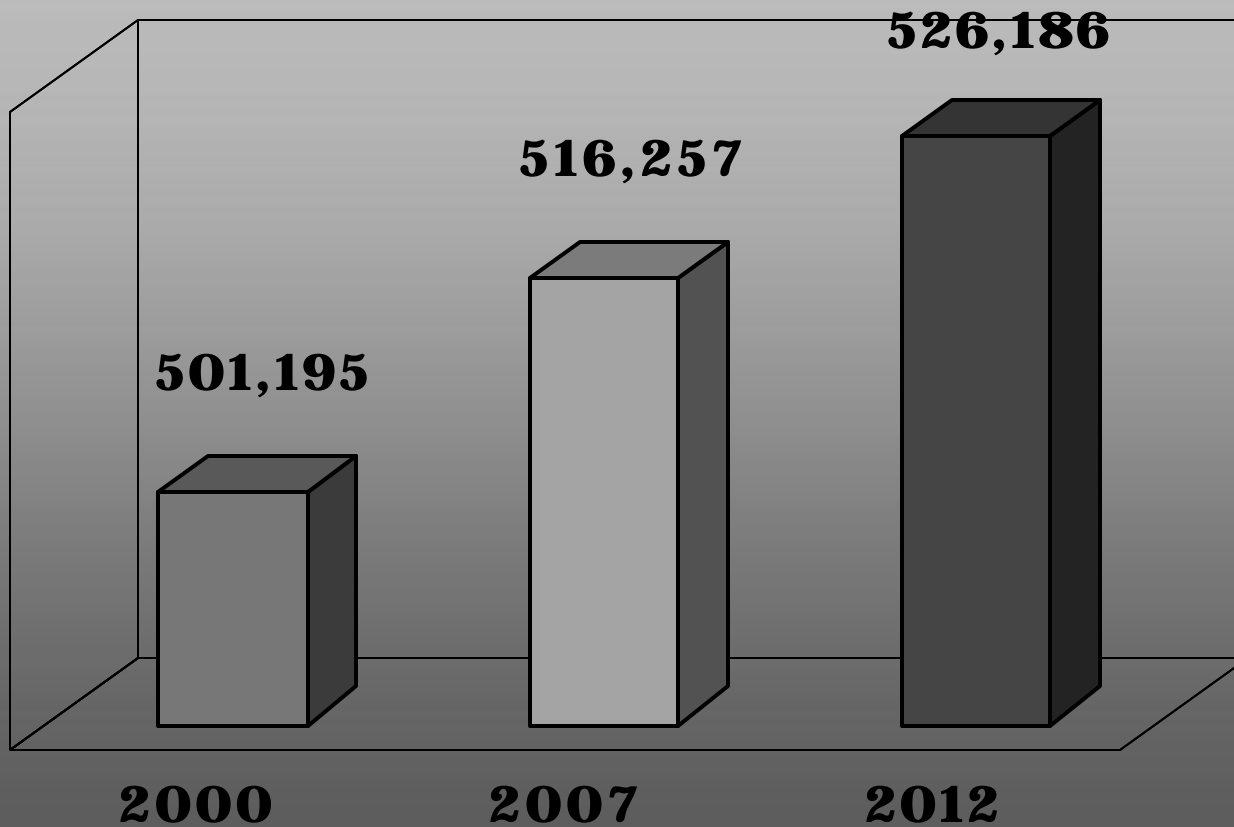
Population

516,257 residents (2007)



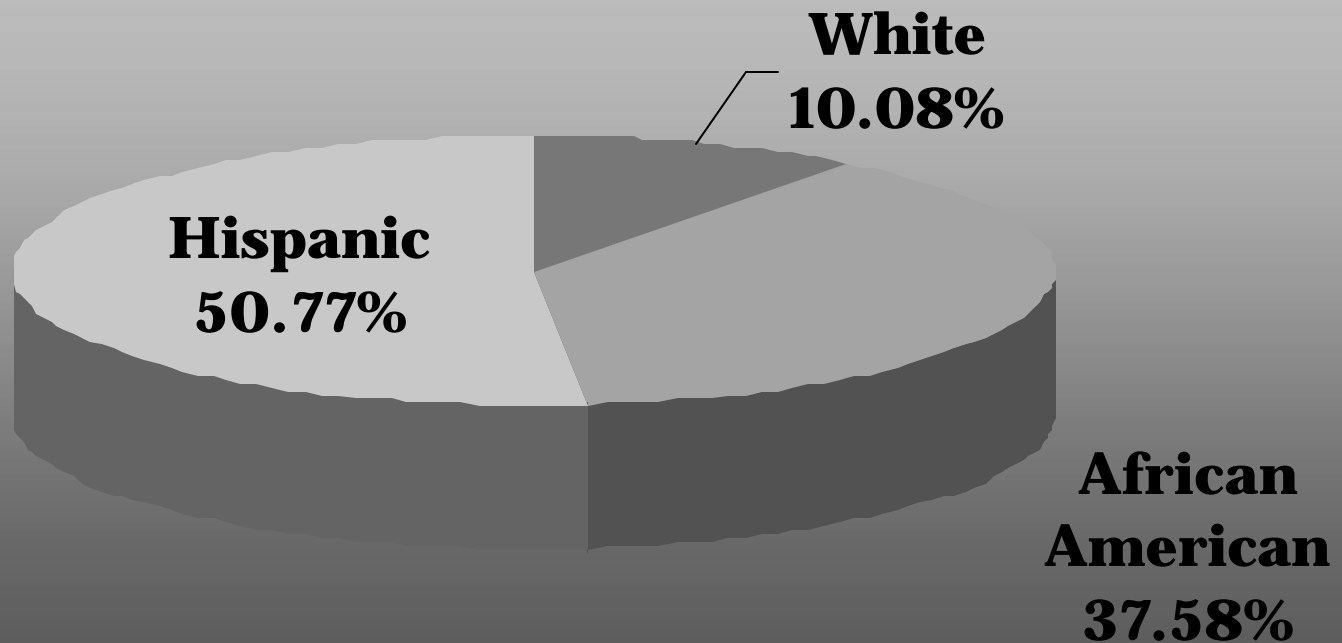
Population Growth

Southern Dallas Population Growth



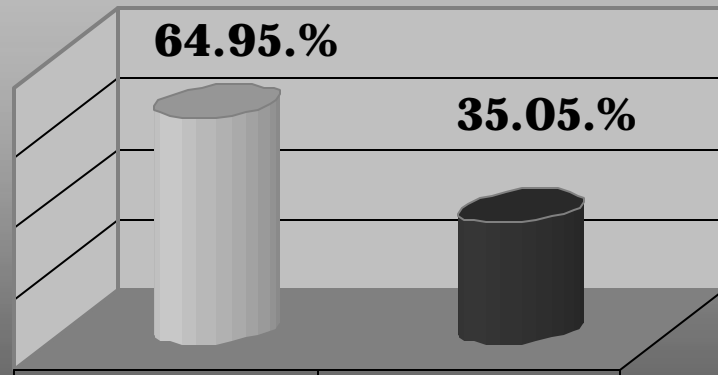
Demographics

Ethnic Breakdown



Household Occupancy

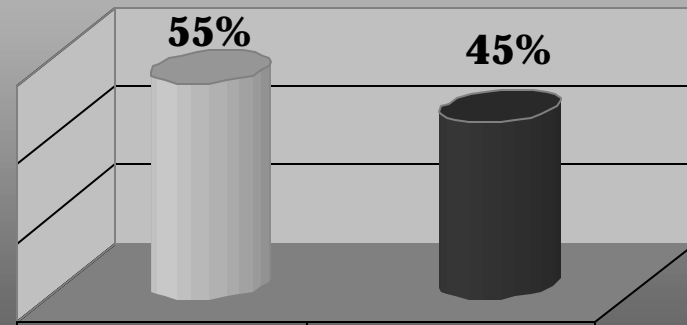
Texas Households



**Homeowner
Occupancy**

**Renter
Occupancy**

Southern Sector Dallas Households



**Homeowner
Occupancy**

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Property Values and Homeownership Potential

Property values

\$50,000 - \$99,999 - 54.9%

\$100,000 - \$149,999 - 15.8%



Homeownership potential

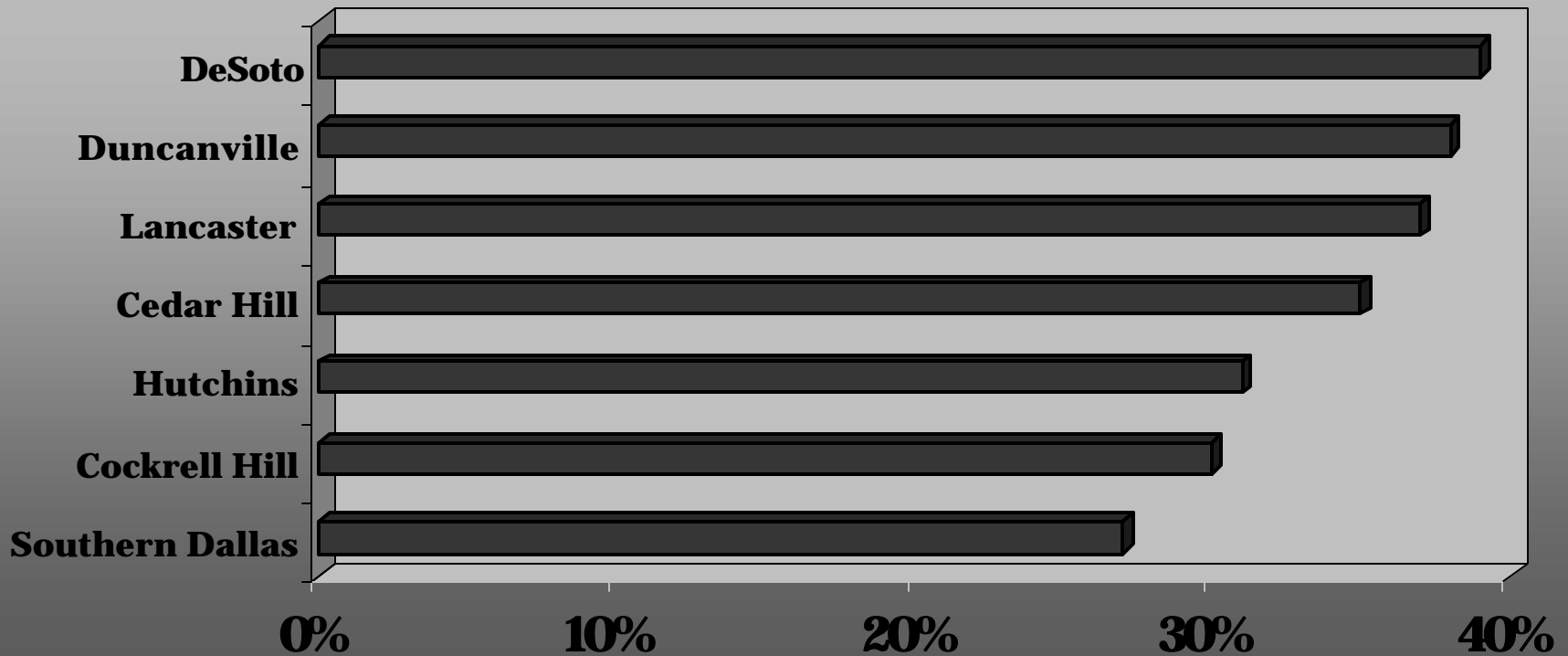
19,365 vacant residential tracts in Dallas' Southern Sector

85% of vacant residential tracts are in Southern Dallas

Voter Turnout/2006

Registered Voters

Voter Turnout



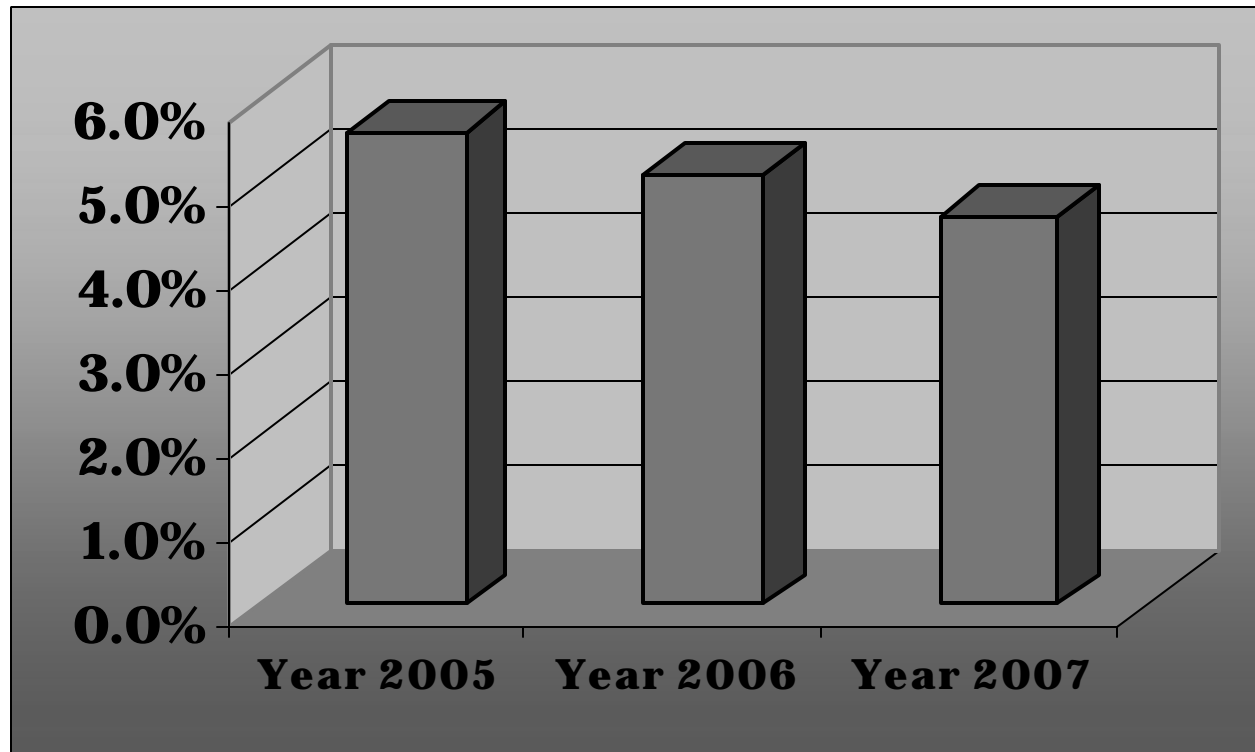
Business and Industry

There are 341 major employers (employment locations with 100 or more employees) in the following categories located in **Southern Dallas County**.

- Retail stores & strip centers - 62
- Manufacturing plants - 54
- Schools & education administration - 49
- Distribution centers - 23
- Warehouses - 22
- Office buildings - 21
- Nursing homes - 16
- Transportation terminals - 15
- Government facilities & post offices – 14
- Hospitals & medical clinics - 12
- Construction companies - 1
- Colleges/Universities - 5
- Police stations & public safety - 4
- Industrial services - 4
- Restaurants - 10
- Hotels & motels - 4
- Business & home services - 3
- Apartment complexes - 3
- Utilities - 2
- Jails - 2
- Waste water treatment plants - 2
- 1 children's home, athletic facility, (YMCA) and movie theater

Unemployment Rate Dallas County

Year	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemployment Rate
2005	1,158,722	1,093,631	65,091	5.6
2006	1,184,476	1,124,159	60,317	5.1
2007	1,201,509	1,146,329	55,180	4.6



2006 Bond Program Southern Sector Projects

**Total 2006 Capital Bond Program =
\$1.35 Billion Citywide**

**Total Southern Sector amount =
\$686 Million or 50.8% of total**



2006 Bond Program continued.....

- Proposition 1. Street and Transportation Improvements = \$152.5 Million
- Proposition 2. Flood Protection and Storm Drainage Facilities = \$295.2 Million
- Proposition 3. Park and Recreation Facilities = \$185.1 Million
- Proposition 4. Library Facilities = \$5.5 Million
- Proposition 5. Cultural Arts Facilities = \$13.5 Million
- Proposition 6. City Service and Maintenance Facilities = \$14.4 Million
- Proposition 7. Land Acquisition Under The Land Bank Program For The Development Of Low And Moderate Income Single Family Homes = \$1.5 Million

2006 Bond Program continued.....

- Proposition 8. Economic Development In Southern Area Of The City, And In Other Areas Of The City In Connection With Transit-Oriented Development, By Providing Public Infrastructure And Funding The City's Economic Development Programs For Such Areas = \$33.1 Million
- Proposition 10. Land Acquisition in the Cadillac Heights Area for Future Location of City Facilities = \$22.6 Million
- Proposition 12. Public Safety Facilities Including Police Facilities, Fire Facilities and Emergency Warning Systems = \$66.7 Million (Citywide)

College Attendance (2004 – 2005)

Dallas County – 22,287 Public High School Graduates

4- Yr. College – 4,636

2- Yr. College – 6, 556

50.2 % College Attendance Rate

Texas – 239, 716 Public High School Graduates

4- Yr. College – 59,770

2- Yr. College – 72,675

55% College Attendance Rate

Educational Attainment

Southern Sector - Dallas

High School Graduates	- 74.7 %
Some College	- 20.55%
Bachelor's degree or above	- 9.71%

Texas

High School Graduates	- 75.7 %
Some College	- 27.90%
Bachelor's degree or above	- 24.03%

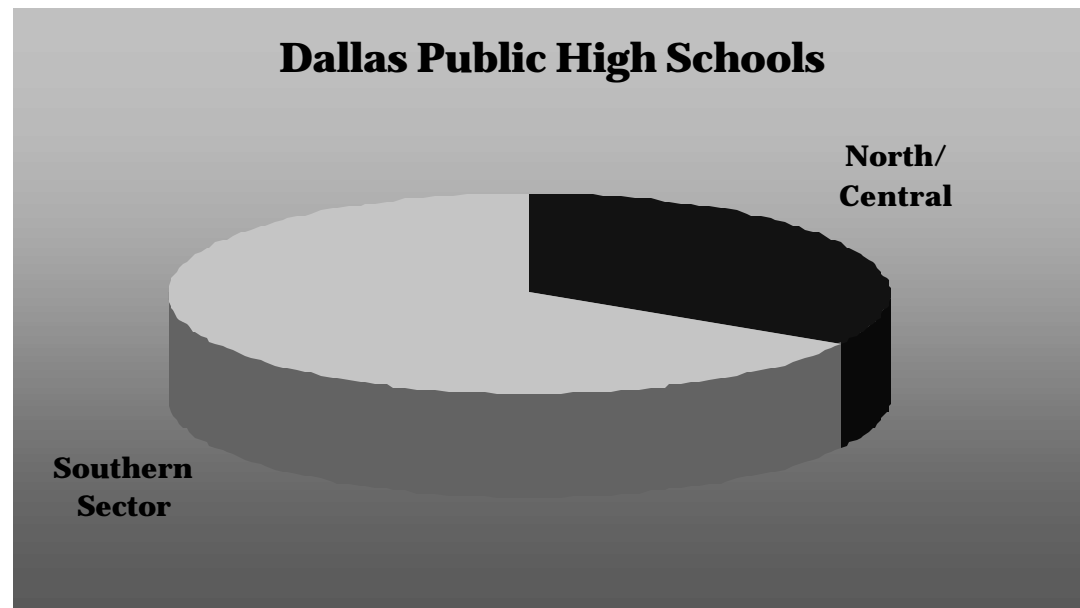
Higher Education Opportunities

- DCCCD campuses - El Centro, Mountain View, Cedar Valley
- University of North Texas at Dallas
- Paul Quinn College
- Northwood University
- Dallas Baptist University



D.I.S.D. Southern Sector Schools

- Of the 225 campuses where more than 161,000 students will enroll this year, DISD has more than 30 high school campuses. About **2/3** of those campuses are in Dallas' Southern Sector.
- Southern Sector
 - 90 elementary schools
 - 17 middle schools
 - 14 high schools
 - 10 magnet/alternative



- So over the next 4 years, nearly **24,000** students will graduate just from these southern DISD schools. (approx. 39,000 total)

D.I.S.D. Achievement

- *Newsweek Magazine* recently named **Townview Talented and Gifted** (TAG) the **# 1** public high school in the nation for the second year in a row!
- **Townview Science and Engineering** (SEM) received the **#2** spot, up from **#8** in 2006!
- Booker T. Washington Performing Arts High School tops U.S. schools with three presidential Scholars
- The Texas Education Agency has rated 71 district schools as exemplary and only two schools as unacceptable.



Addressing Dropouts

High School dropout is defined as a student who;

- is enrolled in public schools in grades 7-12
- does not return to public school the next year
- is not expelled
- does not graduate or receive a GED

or

- continue private education
- start college or is deceased

- The statewide 2005-2006 dropout rate for grades 9-12 was **3.7%**.
- There were **48,803** students who dropped out of grades 9-12 in 2005-2006 in Texas.
- **34%** of high school students in Texas do not graduate.
- Dallas has the highest dropout rate of any major U.S. city with **25%**.

It's About Our Community

***A Dallas County Partnership to
promote education and
eliminate youth violence in our
schools and communities.***



- Contract with the Community
- Law Enforcement Initiative
- Community/Business/Chamber Initiative
- Media/Communications

Closing Remarks

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