

APPENDIX A: DEMOGRAPHICS OF ORLEANS PARISH ADULT POPULATION (AGE 18+) FOR 2005, 2006, AND 2008

	Kaiser Post-Katrina Survey		U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey
	Orleans Parish 2008 % of adults ¹	Orleans Parish 2006 % of adults	Orleans Parish 2005 (Pre-Katrina) % of adults
Gender			
Male	46	44	45
Female	54	56	55
Age (years)			
18-49	51	57	61
18-29	19	18	23
30-49	32*	39	38
50+	47	44	39
50-64	28	27	25
65+	19	17	15
Refused	2	<1	-
Race/ethnicity			
White, non-Hispanic	35	39	32
African American, non-Hispanic	56	53	60
Asian American	2	1	3
Hispanic	5	5	3
Some other race	1	1	1
Refused	1	<1	-
Marital status			
Married	47*	40	37
Living as married	9	7	NA
Single, never married	26	29	38
Separated	2	4	4
Divorced	9	12	13
Widowed	7	7	9
Refused	<1	1	-
Education			
Less than high school graduate	13	12	18
High school graduate	26	29	28
Some college or technical school	26	25	25
College graduate or more	35	31	30
Refused	1	2	-
Income²			
< 200% Federal Poverty Level (among those reporting)	41	NA	39
200% Federal Poverty Level and above (among those reporting)	59	NA	61
Home ownership³			
Own	52	54	50
Rent	36	36	48
Staying with friends or family	10*	6	NA
Temporary housing	NA	3	NA
Don't know/Refused/Other	2	1	2
Any child in household⁴			
Yes	37	34	29
No	62	66	71

¹ Asterisk * indicates a statistically significant difference between 2006 and 2008. Statistical differences between Kaiser Survey and American Community Survey were not tested due to differences in survey methodology.

² Percentages shown here are among the 83 percent of respondents who provided income information in 2008. Because of the large number of respondents who did not answer the household income question in 2006, we are not able to show a comparison in this category.

³ Percentages from the 2005 American Community Survey are among occupied housing units.

⁴ 2008 and 2006 Kaiser survey measure refers to those respondents with any child under age 19 in their household. The measure from the 2005 American Community Survey refers to the percentage of occupied housing units with a child under age 18.