
STUDENTS WITH FINANCIAL NEED May 2008

District staff, district and non-district researchers and evaluators, and local agencies often require summary data about students from low-income families. District staff use these data for Title I¹ and other need-based allocations, grant proposals, evaluations of student achievement, and selection of schools for study samples; agencies document community needs with these data. One measure of low family income is the percentage of students certified eligible² for free or reduced-price meals.

Background

Before 1991–92, all eligible students had to apply to be certified as eligible to receive free or reduced-price meals. Consequently, there were undercounts due to the complexity of the application process, lack of knowledge, and the perceived social stigma attached to receiving free or reduced-price meals. Since 1991–92, San Diego Unified School District (SDUSD) has provided student data electronically to the San Diego County Department of Social Services, which matches these data with county data for recipients of food stamps and CalWORKS. The students who match are directly certified as eligible for free or reduced-price meals. The San Diego Unified School District Food Services Department last fall estimated that about six percent of 2007–08 students eligible for free or reduced-price meals would be certified directly.³ Other students apply through their school and are certified eligible.

In 2004–05, another step was taken to decrease the undercount of eligible students. The free or

¹ Several measures and counts of economically disadvantaged students are reported by or for the district using free or reduced-price meal data: the Consolidated Application (provided to the California Department of Education showing Title I funding allocations to schools), the Title I Ranking Report (used to set Title I funding levels for schools), state Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) results and Academic Performance Index (API) reports, and the Students With Financial Need report. Each serves a different purpose, is based on a different point in time, and varies in how economically disadvantaged students are identified. This report provides school and district counts and rates for students certified eligible for free or reduced-price meals, taking into consideration federal regulations whereby all students at certain schools are considered eligible for such meals. The Consolidated Application and the Title I Ranking Report do not include charter schools, treat high-poverty schools differently than this report, and include students who may not be certified eligible for free or reduced-price meals but who apparently live in the same households as students who are certified eligible. STAR and API reports only include students tested in STAR. API reports also count students as economically disadvantaged if neither parent has a high school diploma. Therefore, the numbers of economically disadvantaged students in these reports and summaries do not always agree.

² The reported numbers do not show the number of “eligible” students, just the number who have applied and are *certified* eligible. With the advent of automated certification in 1991–92, the difference between the two narrowed; the difference has been further narrowed with the introduction of the multi-student household application in 2004–05.

³ San Diego Unified School District Administrative Circular, No. 9, CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBLE NEEDY STUDENTS FOR FREE OR REDUCED-PRICE MEALS, August 31, 2007.

reduced-price meal application was changed from an individual student to a multi-student (family) application on which all students in a household are listed, facilitating the identification and certification of secondary level students who in the past might not have an application submitted because of the perceived social stigma attached to receiving such meals.

In 2007–08, the district had 54 schools with such high percentages of students certified eligible for free and reduced-price meals that, under federal regulations, all students could receive free meals. This report considers all students in these schools to be eligible to receive free or reduced-price meals. These are called Provision 2 schools and are listed in the following table.

School Type	School	School Type	School
Alternative	New Dawn *	Elementary (cont)	Jackson
	Riley *		Johnson *
Atypical	Carver		Kimbrough
	Holly Drive *		King/Chavez Arts
	King/Chavez		King/Chavez Athletics
	KIPP Adelante *		King/Chavez Primary
	Preuss		Knox
	Promise *		Linda Vista
	Elementary	Adams	Logan
	Audubon *	Marshall Elementary	
	Baker	McGill	
	Balboa	Normal Heights *	
	Burbank	North Park	
	Carson	Parks	
	Central	Perkins	
	Chavez	Porter	
	Cherokee Point *	Webster *	
	Chollas/Mead	Middle Level	Clark
	Edison		Gompers Middle
	Emerson/Bandini		King/Chavez Prep *
	Encanto		Mann Expedition
	Euclid		Mann Exploration
	Franklin		Mann Expression
	Golden Hill		Memorial
	Hamilton		Montgomery *
	Horton		Wilson
	Ibarra *	Senior High	Hoover

* Became a Provision 2 school in 2007–08

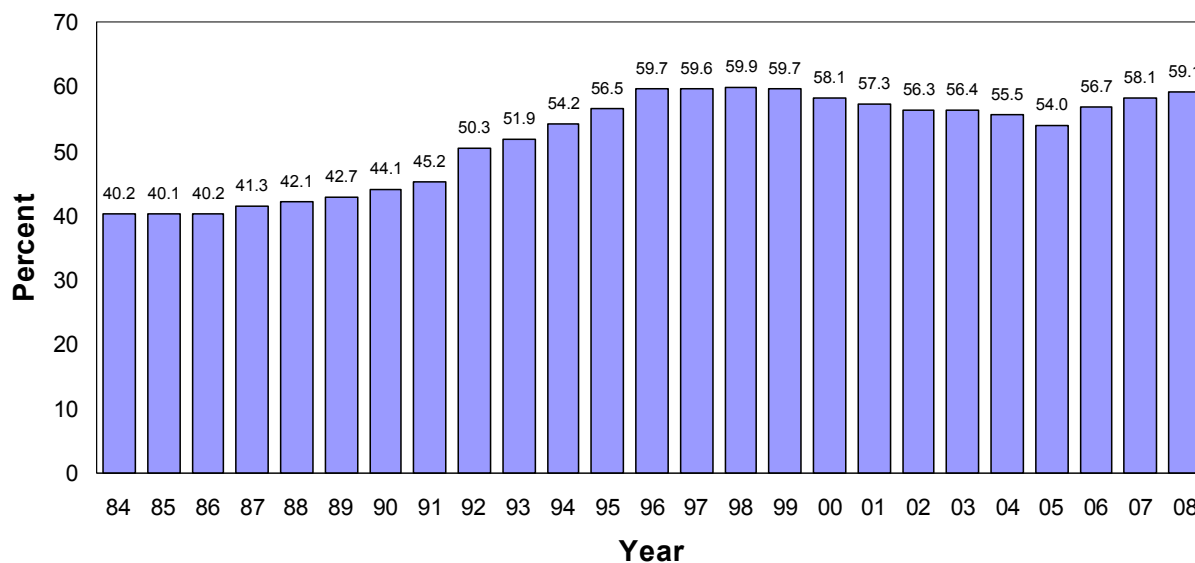


Figure 1. Percentage of students certified eligible for free or reduced-price meals, 1984–2008

Discussion

Of the 129,354 students enrolled in the district in May 2008, 59.1 percent (76,467) were certified eligible for free or reduced-price meals,⁴ 1.0 percentage points higher than for the previous May. Figure 1 shows the percentages of Grade K–12 students certified eligible for the last 25 years, 1984 through 2008. Over the past four years the percentage has increased from 54.0 to 59.1 percent, 5.1 percentage points. Some of this increase may be due to parents becoming more familiar with the requirements of the family application and the centralization of certification in the Food Services Department. Another element of the increase is that before 2006–07 there was an undercount for seven charter schools that are not served by the district’s Food Services Department. Further, current economic and employment conditions tend to increase the numbers of eligible students.

Examination of Table 1 in the Appendix shows that elementary schools had a relatively small percentage increase from 63.3 in 2006–07 to 64.2 percent in 2007–08 (+0.9 percentage point) and that alternative schools had a large increase from 50.6 in 2006–07 to 55.0 percent in 2007–08 (+4.4 percentage points). Between these extremes the senior high percentage rose from 47.8 to 50.6 percent (+2.8 percentage points) and atypical schools increased from 56.5 to 58.2 percent (+1.7 percentage points). In contrast, the middle school percentage fell from 59.7 to 59.3 (-0.4 percentage point).

⁴ Students are eligible for free meals based on household size and income under U.S. Department of Agriculture guidelines. Students in a household of two with an annual income of \$17,797 or less are eligible for meals at no cost. For each additional household member, \$4,524 is added to the income requirement. Students in a household of two are eligible for reduced-price meals when the annual income is \$25,327; for each additional household member, \$6,438 is added to the income requirement (*Federal Register*, Vol. 72, No. 38, February 27, 2007, pp. 8685-8687).

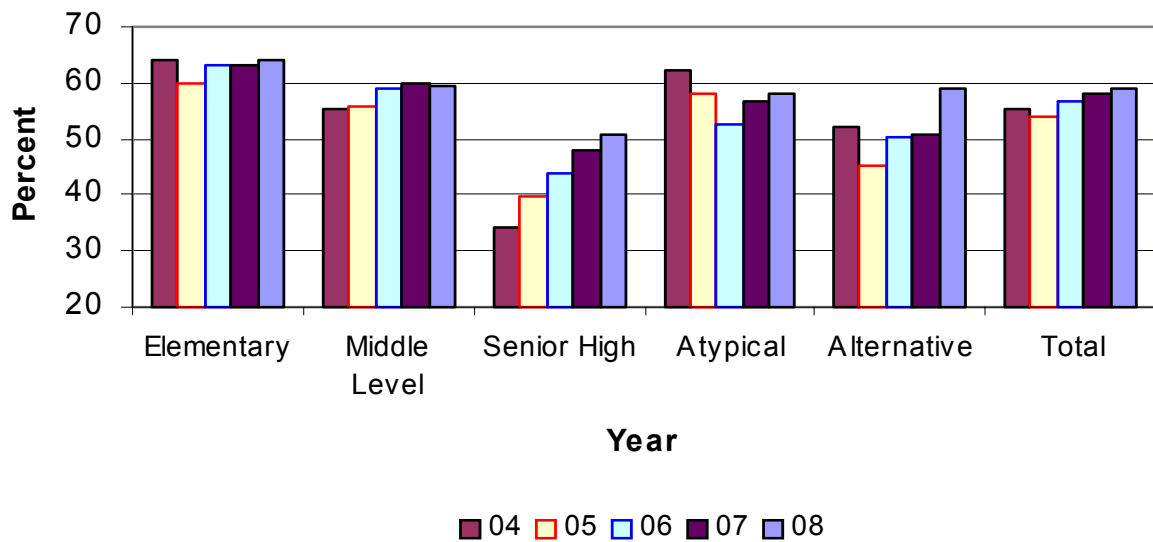


Figure 2. Percentage of students eligible for free or reduced-priced meals by school type, 2004 through 2008

The marked increase since 2003–04 in the percentage of senior high school students eligible for free or reduced-price meals is displayed in Figure 2 and supports the contention that the family application is largely responsible for the increase in district eligibility rates over the last few years. Indeed, without it, the district eligibility rate might have continued to fall after 2003–04.

The figures in this report do not represent the percentages of students attending San Diego Unified School District whose families would have poverty status under federal guidelines.⁵ However, this is the best available measure of district students from economically disadvantaged families.

Economic advantage and disadvantage are strongly associated with student achievement. Much of the correlation between race/ethnicity and student achievement may actually derive from this variable’s strong association with economic advantage and disadvantage. Figure 3 shows the percentage of students in each racial/ethnic group who were

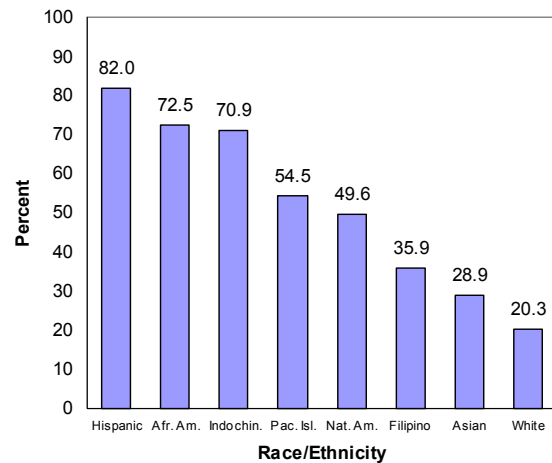


Figure 3. Percentage of students certified eligible to receive free or reduced-price meals by race/ethnicity, 2008

⁵ Current U.S. Department of Health & Human Services guidelines specify an annual income of \$14,000 as the poverty threshold for a two-member household in the 48 contiguous states. For each additional person, \$3,600 is added to the threshold (*Federal Register*, Vol. 73, No. 15, January 23, 2008, pp. 3971–3972). Footnote 4 shows that free or reduced-price meal eligibility thresholds are considerably higher than current federal poverty thresholds.

certified eligible for free or reduced-price meals. There are large differences among racial/ethnic groups. Hispanic, African American, and Indochinese students are two to four times as likely to be certified eligible for free or reduced-priced meals as Filipino, Asian, and White students. Eight of every ten Hispanic students are certified eligible compared to two in ten White students. It should be noted that the Indochinese group has moved from second to third highest and the African American group has moved to second highest. The Indochinese percentage has dropped from 78.6 percent in 2000 to 70.9 percent in 2008 while the percentages of other groups have remained about the same. While financial need is still high among Indochinese students, it appears to have diminished recently.

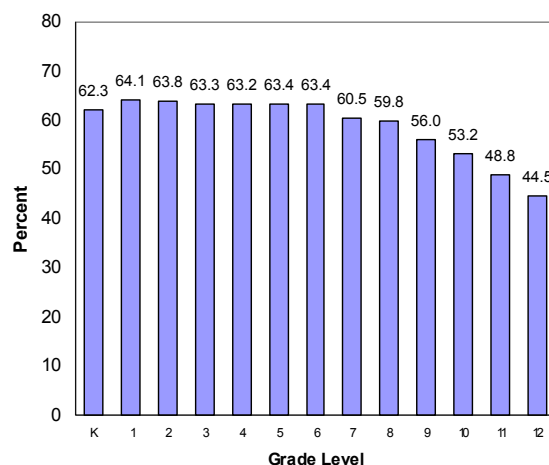


Figure 4. Percentage of students certified eligible for free or reduced-price meals by grade level, 2008

The percentage of students eligible for free or reduced-price meals also varies greatly by grade level. Figure 4 shows that Grade K–6 students have eligibility percentages over 61 percent and that percentages from Grade 7–12 decline from 59.4 percent to 44.5 percent. The decrease may reflect better financial circumstances for the families of older students and, perhaps, a higher likelihood of dropping out of school by Grade 7–12 students from low-income families.⁶

The tables that follow show the number and percentage of students in each school that were certified eligible for free or reduced-price meals in May 2008. Table 1 displays district data by school type for 1983–84 through 2007–08. Tables 2 and 3 show school data by type of school; schools are listed alphabetically in Table 2 and in rank order of percentage of students certified eligible in Table 3. For comparison purposes, Tables 2 and 3 show each school’s ranking in 2007 and 2008.

These data should only be used in ways that do not stigmatize students and families.

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⁶ In 2002–03, Grade 7–12 students eligible for free or reduced-price meals had a dropout rate of 4.8 percent, twice the rate for students who were not eligible (2.4 percent). Grade 9–12 rates for eligible students ranged from 5.3 to 12.0 percent, while the corresponding rates for the non-eligible students were between 1.4 and 5.3 percent.

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Table 1

**Students Certified Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals
1984 through 2008
District Summaries**

Year	School Type	Enrollment	Students Certified Eligible	
			Number	Percent
2007-08	Elementary	59,786	38,363	64.2
	Middle/Junior High	25,163	14,577	59.3
	Senior High	32,656	16,514	50.6
	Atypical	6,817	3,965	58.2
	Alternative	4,932	2,713	55.0
	TOTAL	129,354	76,132	59.1
2006-07	Elementary	60,718	38,455	63.3
	Middle/Junior High	25,726	15,367	59.7
	Senior High	30,929	14,773	47.8
	Atypical	6,550	3,701	56.5
	Alternative	4,520	2,289	50.6
	TOTAL	128,443	74,585	58.1
2005-06	Elementary	62,190	39,149	63.0
	Middle/Junior High	26,116	15,440	59.1
	Senior High	30,767	13,469	43.8
	Atypical	5,982	3,141	52.5
	Alternative	4,391	2,208	50.3
	TOTAL	129,446	73,407	56.7
2004-05	Elementary	64,598	38,804	60.1
	Middle/Junior High	25,725	14,326	55.7
	Senior High	30,201	12,011	39.8
	Atypical	6,959	4,051	58.2
	Alternative	4,060	1,843	45.4
	TOTAL	131,543	71,035	54.0
2003-04	Elementary	67,567	43,392	64.2
	Middle/Junior High	25,421	14,063	55.3
	Senior High	29,011	9,867	34.0
	Atypical	8,072	5,039	62.4
	Alternative	3,417	1,777	52.0
	TOTAL	133,488	74,138	55.5
2002-03	Elementary	70,291	45,166	64.3
	Middle/Junior High	25,772	14,202	55.1
	Senior High	28,393	10,344	36.4
	Atypical	8,379	5,326	63.6
	Alternative	3,480	1,888	54.3
	TOTAL	136,315	76,926	56.4

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Year	School Type	Enrollment	Students Certified Eligible	
			Number	Percent
2001-02	Elementary	72,830	46,739	64.2
	Middle/Junior High	24,979	13,560	54.3
	Senior High	28,116	10,250	36.5
	Atypical	8,101	4,946	61.1
	Alternative	3,564	1,904	53.4
	TOTAL	137,590	77,399	56.3
2000-01	Elementary	73,908	47,777	64.6
	Middle/Junior High	24,417	13,240	54.2
	Senior High	27,598	10,865	39.4
	Atypical	7,820	4,945	63.2
	Alternative	3,793	2,035	53.7
	TOTAL	137,536	78,862	57.3
1999-00	Elementary	76,688	49,605	64.7
	Middle/Junior High	24,362	13,734	56.4
	Senior High	27,280	11,411	41.8
	Atypical	7,113	4,217	59.3
	Alternative	4,292	2,280	53.1
	TOTAL	139,735	81,247	58.1
1998-99	Elementary	74,079	49,257	66.5
	Middle/Junior High	24,883	14,699	59.1
	Senior High	26,826	11,770	43.9
	Atypical	5,242	2,583	49.3
	Alternative	4,223	2,444	57.9
	TOTAL	135,253	80,753	59.7
1997-98	Elementary	73,042	48,242	66.1
	Middle/Junior High	24,001	14,390	60.0
	Senior High	26,125	11,653	44.6
	Atypical	4,601	2,486	54.0
	Alternative	4,113	2,274	55.3
	TOTAL	131,882	79,045	59.9
1996-97	Elementary	72,743	48,246	66.3
	Middle/Junior High	23,880	14,024	58.7
	Senior High	25,456	10,940	43.0
	Atypical	4,019	2,009	50.0
	Alternative	3,605	2,084	57.8
	TOTAL	129,703	77,303	59.6

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Year	School Type	Enrollment	Students Certified Eligible		
			Number	Percent	
1995–96	Elementary	72,806	48,160	66.1	
	Middle/Junior High	22,934	13,787	60.1	
	Senior High	24,240	10,060	41.5	
	Atypical	4,044	2,050	50.7	
	Alternative	3,214	1,906	59.3	
	TOTAL	127,238	75,963	59.7	
1994–95	Elementary	72,728	46,215	63.5	
	Middle/Junior High	22,515	12,834	57.0	
	Senior High	23,452	8,364	35.7	
	Atypical	3,223	1,583	49.1	
	Alternative	3,007	1,574	52.3	
	TOTAL	124,925	70,570	56.5	
1993–94	Elementary	72,001	44,738	62.1	
	Middle/Junior High	22,203	12,009	54.1	
	Senior High	23,109	7,413	32.1	
	Atypical	5,793	2,532	43.7	
	TOTAL	123,106	66,692	54.2	
	1992–93	Elementary	72,086	43,188	59.9
Middle/Junior High		22,170	11,281	50.9	
Senior High		22,543	6,632	29.4	
Atypical		5,034	2,111	41.9	
TOTAL		121,833	63,212	51.9	
1991–92		Elementary	70,997	41,165	58.0
	Middle/Junior High	21,843	10,695	49.0	
	Senior High	22,930	6,805	29.7	
	Atypical	4,846	2,038	42.1	
	TOTAL	120,616	60,703	50.3	
	1990–91	Elementary	70,161	37,841	53.9
Middle/Junior High		20,719	9,160	44.2	
Senior High		22,783	4,783	21.0	
Atypical		5,086	1,836	36.1	
TOTAL		118,749	53,620	45.2	
1989–90		Elementary	68,858	36,434	52.9
	Middle/Junior High	20,547	8,618	41.9	
	Senior High	22,196	4,507	20.3	
	Atypical	5,104	1,859	36.4	

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District Summaries**

Year	School Type	Enrollment	Students Certified Eligible	
			Number	Percent
	TOTAL	116,705	51,418	44.1
1988–89	Elementary	66,773	34,778	52.1
	Middle/Junior High	20,256	8,079	39.9
	Senior High	22,604	4,370	19.3
	Atypical	5,166	1,790	34.6
	TOTAL	114,799	49,017	42.7
1987–88	Elementary	63,984	32,761	51.2
	Middle/Junior High	20,242	8,193	40.5
	Senior High	23,588	4,681	19.8
	Atypical	5,035	1,925	38.2
	TOTAL	112,849	47,560	42.1
1986–87	Elementary	63,711	31,902	50.1
	Middle/Junior High	19,371	8,050	41.6
	Senior High	25,236	5,119	20.3
	Atypical	4,526	1,505	33.3
	TOTAL	112,844	46,576	41.3
1985–86	Elementary	62,115	30,671	49.4
	Middle/Junior High	19,286	7,683	39.8
	Senior High	25,693	5,093	19.8
	Atypical	4,367	1,373	31.4
	TOTAL	111,461	44,820	40.2
1984–85	Elementary	60,317	30,320	50.3
	Middle/Junior High	20,864	7,748	37.1
	Senior High	24,563	4,661	19.0
	Atypical	4,136	1,282	31.0
	TOTAL	109,880	44,011	40.1
1983–84	Elementary	58,714	29,664	50.5
	Middle/Junior High	20,908	7,617	36.4
	Senior High	23,933	4,683	19.6
	Atypical	3,748	1,172	31.3
	TOTAL	107,303	43,136	40.2

Table 2.a.

**Students Certified Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals, May 2008
Elementary Schools
(Alphabetical Listing)**

School	May 2008 Enrollment	Students Certified Eligible		May '08 Rank	May '07 Rank
		Number	Percent	Among 123	Among 128
Adams	369	369	100.0	1	1
Alcott	298	143	48.0	88	91
Angier	414	279	67.4	61	59
Audubon	528	528	100.0	1	41
Baker	500	500	100.0	1	1
Balboa	672	672	100.0	1	1
Barnard	171	109	63.7	68	53
Bay Park	446	142	31.8	98	102
Bayview Terrace	267	224	83.9	43	44
Benchley/Weinberger	524	81	15.5	110	116
Bethune	585	329	56.2	78	88
Bird Rock	446	25	5.6	120	124
Birney	334	241	72.2	56	52
Boone	546	406	74.4	52	63
Burbank	372	372	100.0	1	1
Cabrillo	194	127	65.5	65	71
Cadman	233	161	69.1	60	67
Carson	495	495	100.0	1	1
Central	866	866	100.0	1	1
Chavez	575	575	100.0	1	1
Cherokee Point	474	474	100.0	1	32
Chesterton	505	241	47.7	89	89
Chollas/Mead	797	797	100.0	1	1
Clay	318	267	84.0	42	46
Crown Point	127	95	74.8	50	55
Cubberley	257	135	52.5	83	85
Curie	601	83	13.8	116	120
Dailard	537	117	21.8	107	114
Dana	804	361	44.9	92	92
Darnall	520	429	82.5	45	42
Dewey	447	291	65.1	67	68
Dingeman	707	31	4.4	122	125
Doyle	781	168	21.5	108	106
Edison	615	615	100.0	1	1
Einstein	399	106	26.6	102	113
Emerson/Bandini	777	777	100.0	1	1
Encanto	671	671	100.0	1	1
Ericson	718	243	33.8	97	101
Euclid	620	620	100.0	1	1
Explorer	316	21	6.6	119	128
Field	317	230	72.6	55	51
Fletcher	254	119	46.9	91	77
Florence	270	193	71.5	57	65
Foster	427	211	49.4	86	93

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School	May 2008 Enrollment	Students Certified Eligible		May '08 Rank	May'07 Rank
		Number	Percent	Among 123	Among 128
Franklin	286	286	100.0	1	1
Freese	516	440	85.3	40	48
Fulton	471	400	84.9	41	45
Gage	499	210	42.1	93	97
Garfield Elementary	403	344	85.4	39	35
Golden Hill	418	418	100.0	1	1
Green	405	102	25.2	104	109
Hage	736	201	27.3	101	108
Hamilton	685	685	100.0	1	1
Hancock	770	534	69.4	59	64
Hardy	356	194	54.5	81	86
Hawthorne	316	185	58.5	74	81
Hearst	406	62	15.3	112	117
Hickman	685	248	36.2	95	103
Holmes	442	64	14.5	113	115
Horton	567	567	100.0	1	1
Ibarra	606	606	100.0	1	38
Jackson	597	597	100.0	1	1
Jefferson	310	256	82.6	44	47
Jerabek	827	43	5.2	121	127
Johnson	353	353	100.0	1	43
Jones	297	161	54.2	82	80
Joyner ¹	580	499	86.0	38	—
Juarez	314	205	65.3	66	70
Kimbrough	777	777	100.0	1	1
King/Chavez Arts	160	160	100.0	1	1
King/Chavez Athletics	146	146	100.0	1	1
King/Chavez Primary	335	335	100.0	1	1
Kumeyaay	451	63	14.0	115	121
La Jolla Elementary	551	62	11.3	117	122
Lafayette	350	207	59.1	73	79
Lee	453	297	65.6	64	72
Linda Vista	557	557	100.0	1	1
Lindbergh/Schweitzer	589	324	55.0	80	75
Logan	597	597	100.0	1	1
Loma Portal	360	114	31.7	99	100
Marshall Elementary	578	578	100.0	1	1
Marvin	361	128	35.5	96	99
Mason	790	384	48.6	87	95
McGill	145	145	100.0	1	1
McKinley	397	282	71.0	58	58
Miller	768	469	61.1	71	69
Miramar Ranch	697	60	8.6	118	123

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(Alphabetical Listing)**

School	May 2008 Enrollment	Students Certified Eligible		May '08 Rank Among 123	May'07 Rank Among 128
		Number	Percent		
Museum	76	19	25.0	105	104
Normal Heights	417	417	100.0	1	33
North Park	138	138	100.0	1	1
Nubia	357	239	66.9	63	62
Nye	585	370	63.2	70	73
Oak Park	859	670	78.0	47	49
Ocean Beach	293	171	58.4	76	78
Pacific Beach Elementary	314	157	50.0	85	87
Paradise Hills	352	269	76.4	48	54
Parks	934	934	100.0	1	1
Penn	538	341	63.4	69	74
Perkins	436	436	100.0	1	1
Perry	336	249	74.1	53	57
Porter	772	772	100.0	1	1
Rodriguez ¹	435	413	94.9	36	—
Rolando Park	213	155	72.8	54	60
Ross	364	272	74.7	51	56
Rowan	289	249	86.2	37	39
Sandburg	692	207	29.9	100	105
Scripps	552	22	4.0	123	126
Sequoia	306	158	51.6	84	84
Sessions	370	85	23.0	106	110
Silver Gate	453	93	20.5	109	112
Spreckels	727	286	39.3	94	96
Sunset View	405	58	14.3	114	119
Tierrasanta	507	133	26.2	103	107
Toler	285	174	61.1	72	76
Torrey Pines	405	62	15.3	111	118
Valencia Park	598	491	82.1	46	50
Vista Grande	457	215	47.0	90	94
Walker	573	316	55.1	79	90
Washington	312	234	75.0	49	37
Webster	499	499	100.0	1	34
Wegeforth	296	169	57.1	77	83
Whitman	342	229	67.0	62	66
Zamorano	1,203	703	58.4	75	82

¹ New school in 2007–08

Table 2.b.

Students Certified Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals, May 2008
Middle Level Schools
(Alphabetical Listing)

School	May 2008 Enrollment	Students Certified Eligible		May '08 Rank Among 32	May '07 Rank Among 31
		Number	Percent		
Bell	1,396	904	64.8	16	16
CPMA ¹	573	335	58.5	18	17
Challenger	1,126	451	40.1	24	25
Clark	1,306	1,306	100.0	1	1
Correia	897	449	50.1	20	19
De Portola	973	376	38.6	26	26
Einstein Middle	233	110	47.2	21	20
Farb	753	556	73.8	11	12
Gompers Middle	631	631	100.0	1	1
High Tech Middle	318	51	16.0	31	30
High Tech Middle Media	320	71	22.2	29	29
Keiller	529	364	68.8	13	10
King/Chavez Preparatory ²	217	217	100.0	1	—
Kroc	630	420	66.7	15	15
Lewis	1,044	456	43.7	22	24
Mann Expedition	388	388	100.0	1	1
Mann Exploration	373	373	100.0	1	1
Mann Expression	333	333	100.0	1	1
Marshall Middle	1,405	109	7.8	32	31
Marston	1,069	614	57.4	19	18
Memorial	839	839	100.0	1	1
Momentum	251	52	20.7	30	23
Montgomery	643	643	100.0	1	8
Muirlands	1,078	280	26.0	28	28
O'Farrell	1,079	747	69.2	12	11
Pacific Beach Middle	759	512	67.5	14	13
Pershing	938	381	40.6	23	22
Roosevelt	949	735	77.5	10	9
Standley	1,313	443	33.7	27	27
Taft	705	454	64.4	17	14
Wangenheim	1,302	519	39.9	25	21
Wilson	793	793	100.0	1	1

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Table 2.c.

Students Certified Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals, May 2008
Senior High Schools
(Alphabetical Listing)

School	May 2008 Enrollment	Students Certified Eligible		May '08 Rank Among 34	May '07 Rank Among 32
		Number	Percent		
Arroyo Paseo ¹	83	60	72.2	12	—
Clairemont	1,405	741	52.7	21	21
Cortez Hill	189	85	45.0	23	20
Crawford CHAMP ²	357	312	87.4	8	3
Crawford IDEA ³	357	316	88.5	4	4
Crawford Law & Business	320	283	88.4	5	5
Crawford Multimedia & Health Sciences ¹	377	333	88.3	6	6
Henry	184	81	44.0	25	—
Henry	2,294	605	26.4	29	28
High Tech	531	66	12.4	34	30
High Tech International	381	52	13.6	33	27
High Tech Media Arts	359	69	19.2	30	25
Hoover	1,954	1,954	100.0	1	1
Kearny Construction	463	318	68.7	14	11
Kearny Digital Media	423	274	64.8	17	15
Kearny Intl Business	400	296	74.0	11	9
Kearny Sci Connect Tech	417	274	65.7	16	13
La Jolla	1,607	258	16.1	31	32
Lincoln ¹	2,136	1,626	76.1	9	—
Madison	1,167	709	60.8	18	17
Mira Mesa	2,491	727	29.2	28	29
Mission Bay	1,594	1,067	66.9	15	14
Morse	2,518	1,385	55.0	20	19
Point Loma	1,921	768	40.0	26	24
SD Business	415	373	89.9	3	8
SD CIMA ⁴	346	324	93.6	2	2
SD International Studies	488	224	45.9	22	23
SD LEADS ⁵	440	386	87.7	7	7
SD Media Vis Prf Arts	449	319	71.0	13	16
SD Met Career Technical	173	100	57.8	19	18
SD Science & Tech	444	335	75.5	10	12
Scripps Ranch	2,203	348	15.8	32	31
Serra	1,952	862	44.2	24	22
University City	1,818	584	32.1	27	26

¹ New school in 2007–08

² Community Health and Medical Practices School

³ Invention and Design Academy

⁴ Communication Investigations in a Multicultural Atmosphere

⁵ Lead, Explore, Achieve, Discover, and Serve

Table 2.d.

**Students Certified Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals, May 2008
Atypical Schools
(Alphabetical Listing)**

School	May 2008 Enrollment	Students Certified Eligible		May '08 Rank Among 17	May '07 Rank Among 14
		Number	Percent		
Carver	331	331	100.0	1	1
Grant ¹	537	116	21.6	15	—
Holly Drive	158	158	100.0	1	6
IFTIN ¹	155	118	76.1	9	—
KIPP Adelante ²	318	318	100.0	1	5
King/Chavez	290	290	100.0	1	1
Knox ¹	558	558	100.0	1	1
Language Academy	799	382	47.8	11	9
Learning Choice	574	40	7.0	17	14
Longfellow	667	271	40.6	13	11
Mt. Everest	258	18	7.0	16	13
Muir	293	197	67.2	10	8
Preuss	743	743	100.0	1	1
Promise	181	181	100.0	1	4
SCPA ³	1,434	638	44.5	12	10
San Diego Cooperative	368	83	22.6	14	12
Tubman Village	248	197	79.4	8	7

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² Knowledge Is Power Program

³ School of Creative and Performing Arts

Table 2.e.

**Students Certified Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals, May 2008
Alternative Schools
(Alphabetical Listing)**

School	May 2008 Enrollment	Students Certified Eligible		May '08 Rank Among 13	May '07 Rank Among 13
		Number	Percent		
ALBA. ¹	119	97	81.5	3	6
Audeo Charter	465	232	49.9	8	8
Charter School of SD	2,130	1,050	49.3	9	7
Del Sol	49	27	55.1	7	9
Garfield	532	381	71.6	5	2
Home and Hospital Instr	72	11	15.3	12	12
Integrated Life Skills	11	1	9.1	13	13
LCI Instruction ²	247	95	38.5	11	10
New Dawn Day	39	39	100.0	1	3
Riley	94	94	100.0	1	1
TRACE ³	595	274	46.1	10	11
Twain	560	398	71.1	6	5
Whittier	19	14	73.7	4	4

¹ Alternative Learning for Behavior and Attitude

² Licensed Children's Institution

³ Transitional Resources for Adult Community Education

Table 3.a.

Students Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals, May 2008
Elementary Schools
(Rank Order Listing)

School	May 2008 Enrollment	Students Certified Eligible		May '08 Rank Among 123	May '07 Rank Among 128
		Number	Percent		
Adams	369	369	100.0	1	1
Audubon	528	528	100.0	1	41
Baker	500	500	100.0	1	1
Balboa	672	672	100.0	1	1
Burbank	372	372	100.0	1	1
Carson	495	495	100.0	1	1
Central	866	866	100.0	1	1
Chavez	575	575	100.0	1	1
Cherokee Point	474	474	100.0	1	32
Chollas/Mead	797	797	100.0	1	1
Edison	615	615	100.0	1	1
Emerson/Bandini	777	777	100.0	1	1
Encanto	671	671	100.0	1	1
Euclid	620	620	100.0	1	1
Franklin	286	286	100.0	1	1
Golden Hill	418	418	100.0	1	1
Hamilton	685	685	100.0	1	1
Horton	567	567	100.0	1	1
Ibarra	606	606	100.0	1	38
Jackson	597	597	100.0	1	1
Johnson	353	353	100.0	1	43
Kimbrough	777	777	100.0	1	1
King/Chavez Arts	160	160	100.0	1	1
King/Chavez Athletics	146	146	100.0	1	1
King/Chavez Primary	335	335	100.0	1	1
Linda Vista	557	557	100.0	1	1
Logan	597	597	100.0	1	1
Marshall Elementary	578	578	100.0	1	1
McGill	145	145	100.0	1	1
Normal Heights	417	417	100.0	1	33
North Park	138	138	100.0	1	1
Parks	934	934	100.0	1	1
Perkins	436	436	100.0	1	1
Porter	772	772	100.0	1	1
Webster	499	499	100.0	1	34
Rodriguez ¹	435	413	94.9	36	—
Rowan	289	249	86.2	37	39
Joyner ¹	580	499	86.0	38	—
Garfield Elementary	403	344	85.4	39	35
Freese	516	440	85.3	40	48
Fulton	471	400	84.9	41	45
Clay	318	267	84.0	42	46

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**Students Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals, May 2008
Elementary Schools
(Rank Order Listing)**

School	May 2008 Enrollment	Students Certified Eligible		May '08 Rank Among 123	May '07 Rank Among 128
		Number	Percent		
Bayview Terrace	267	224	83.9	43	44
Jefferson	310	256	82.6	44	47
Darnall	520	429	82.5	45	42
Valencia Park	598	491	82.1	46	50
Oak Park	859	670	78.0	47	49
Paradise Hills	352	269	76.4	48	54
Washington	312	234	75.0	49	37
Crown Point	127	95	74.8	50	55
Ross	364	272	74.7	51	56
Boone	546	406	74.4	52	63
Perry	336	249	74.1	53	57
Rolando Park	213	155	72.8	54	60
Field	317	230	72.6	55	51
Birney	334	241	72.2	56	52
Florence	270	193	71.5	57	65
McKinley	397	282	71.0	58	58
Hancock	770	534	69.4	59	64
Cadman	233	161	69.1	60	67
Angier	414	279	67.4	61	59
Whitman	342	229	67.0	62	66
Nubia	357	239	66.9	63	62
Lee	453	297	65.6	64	72
Cabrillo	194	127	65.5	65	71
Juarez	314	205	65.3	66	70
Dewey	447	291	65.1	67	68
Barnard	171	109	63.7	68	53
Penn	538	341	63.4	69	74
Nye	585	370	63.2	70	73
Miller	768	469	61.1	71	69
Toler	285	174	61.1	72	76
Lafayette	350	207	59.1	73	79
Hawthorne	316	185	58.5	74	81
Zamorano	1,203	703	58.4	75	82
Ocean Beach	293	171	58.4	76	78
Wegeforth	296	169	57.1	77	83
Bethune	585	329	56.2	78	88
Walker	573	316	55.1	79	90
Lindbergh/Schweitzer	589	324	55.0	80	75
Hardy	356	194	54.5	81	86
Jones	297	161	54.2	82	80
Cubberley	257	135	52.5	83	85
Sequoia	306	158	51.6	84	84
Pacific Beach Elementary	314	157	50.0	85	87

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		Number	Percent		
Foster	427	211	49.4	86	93
Mason	790	384	48.6	87	95
Alcott	298	143	48.0	88	91
Chesterton	505	241	47.7	89	89
Vista Grande	457	215	47.0	90	94
Fletcher	254	119	46.9	91	77
Dana	804	361	44.9	92	92
Gage	499	210	42.1	93	97
Spreckels	727	286	39.3	94	96
Hickman	685	248	36.2	95	103
Marvin	361	128	35.5	96	99
Ericson	718	243	33.8	97	101
Bay Park	446	142	31.8	98	102
Loma Portal	360	114	31.7	99	100
Sandburg	692	207	29.9	100	105
Hage	736	201	27.3	101	108
Einstein	399	106	26.6	102	113
Tierrasanta	507	133	26.2	103	107
Green	405	102	25.2	104	109
Museum	76	19	25.0	105	104
Sessions	370	85	23.0	106	110
Dailard	537	117	21.8	107	114
Doyle	781	168	21.5	108	106
Silver Gate	453	93	20.5	109	112
Benchley/Weinberger	524	81	15.5	110	116
Torrey Pines	405	62	15.3	111	118
Hearst	406	62	15.3	112	117
Holmes	442	64	14.5	113	115
Sunset View	405	58	14.3	114	119
Kumeyaay	451	63	14.0	115	121
Curie	601	83	13.8	116	120
La Jolla Elementary	551	62	11.3	117	122
Miramar Ranch	697	60	8.6	118	123
Explorer	316	21	6.6	119	128
Bird Rock	446	25	5.6	120	124
Jerabek	827	43	5.2	121	127
Dingeman	707	31	4.4	122	125
Scripps	552	22	4.0	123	126

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Table 3.b.

Students Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals, May 2008
Middle Level Schools
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School	May 2008 Enrollment	Students Certified Eligible		May '08 Rank Among 32	May '07 Rank Among 31
		Number	Percent		
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Gompers Middle	631	631	100.0	1	1
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Mann Expedition	388	388	100.0	1	1
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Muirlands	1,078	280	26.0	28	28
High Tech Middle Media	320	71	22.2	29	29
Momentum	251	52	20.7	30	23
High Tech Middle	318	51	16.0	31	30
Marshall Middle	1,405	109	7.8	32	31

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**Students Certified Eligible for Free or Reduced-price Meals, May 2008
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SD Business	415	373	89.9	3	8
Crawford IDEA ²	357	316	88.5	4	4
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Knox ²	558	558	100.0	1	1
Preuss	743	743	100.0	1	1
Promise	181	181	100.0	1	4
Tubman Village	248	197	79.4	8	7
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Longfellow	667	271	40.6	13	11
San Diego Cooperative	368	83	22.6	14	12
Grant ²	537	116	21.6	15	—
Mt. Everest	258	18	7.0	16	13
Learning Choice	574	40	7.0	17	14

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Table 3.e.

**Students Certified Eligible for Free or Reduced-Price Meals, May 2008
Alternative Schools
(Rank Order Listing)**

School	May 2008 Enrollment	Students Certified Eligible		May '08 Rank Among 13	May '07 Rank Among 13
		Number	Percent		
New Dawn Day	39	39	100.0	1	3
Riley	94	94	100.0	1	1
ALBA. ¹	119	97	81.5	3	6
Whittier	19	14	73.7	4	4
Garfield	532	381	71.6	5	2
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