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There are nine school districts in El Paso County, with the three largest being :

El Paso Independent School District (EPISD)¹

- EPISD is the largest school district in El Paso and the 5th largest in Texas with an enrollment of 62,353.
- The district was established in 1881.
- There are 77 regular PK-12 schools, 5 special schools, and 5 other campus or programs.
- The district owns and operates a 120-seat planetarium.
- Programs include the Center for Career and Technology Education, where for half the day students can take classes in career and technology, and magnet schools in applied sciences and health sciences.

Ysleta Independent School District (YISD)²

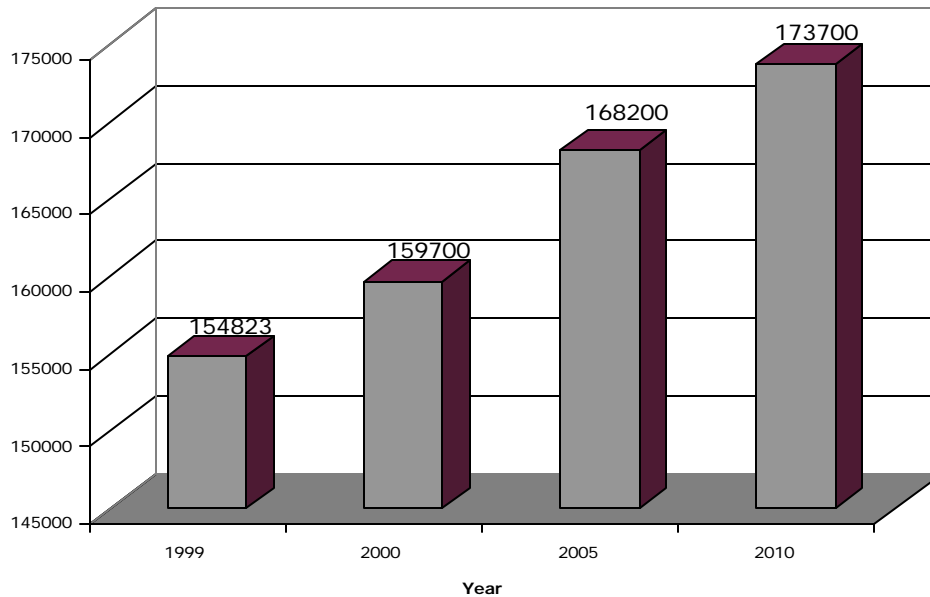
- YISD was established in the 1930s.
- The student population is 50,000
- The district has 60 campuses that stretch from northeast El Paso to the east and the southwest parts of the city.
- Accomplishments of the YISD include two elementary schools named Blue Ribbon Schools. Also, in 1999 the district lead all other urban school districts on their Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) scores.

Socorro Independent School District (SISD)³

- Socorro serves the east side of El Paso along with the cities of Horizon and Socorro.
- There are 13 elementary schools, five middle schools, and three high schools in the district.
- There is also one alternative school, and early childhood center and a community education program.
- The district predicts that it will be serving 56,700 students by 2010, which is up from 25,375.
- The district offers certifications in: Certified Nursing Assistant, Cosmetology, Security Service, Cisco Certification, A+ Certification, and Microsoft Certification.
- The district also offers a four year Health Profession Academy and a Pharmacy Tech certification program.
- Three Socorro schools have been recognized as Blue Ribbon Schools.
- One high school has been recognized as Redbook Magazine's America's Best Schools.

Exhibit 4⁴

Student Enrollment Projections for El Paso County



Source: U.S. Census projections & growth rates calculated from the Texas Education Agency.

School District Tax Rates Region XIX (1980-2000)⁵

Exhibit 5

| Year | El Paso ISD | Ysleta ISD | San Eli. ISD | Tornillo ISD | Canutillo ISD | Socorro ISD | Anthony ISD | Clint ISD | Fabens ISD |
|------|----------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|---------------|
| 1980 | 0.656 | 0.730 | 1.390 | 1.330 | 1.850 | 0.424 | 1.090 | 0.940 | 0.730 |
| 1981 | 0.726 | 0.736 | 1.050 | 1.070 | 0.970 | 0.640 | 0.790 | 1.080 | 1.070 |
| 1982 | 0.726 | 0.805 | 1.510 | 1.204 | 0.950 | 0.940 | 0.780 | 1.080 | 1.070 |
| 1983 | 0.7577 | 0.8706 | 1.930 | 1.380 | 0.940 | 1.140 | 0.810 | 1.080 | 1.070 |
| 1984 | 0.7741 | 0.8706 | 1.900 | 1.300 | 0.940 | 1.0349 | 0.965 | 1.380 | 1.070 |
| 1985 | 0.6782 | 0.7660 | 1.288 | 1.0998 | 0.6488 | 0.7503 | 0.8784 | 1.320 | 0.930 |
| 1986 | 0.6745 | 0.7690 | 1.296 | 1.0539 | 0.6468 | 0.9537 | 0.9245 | 1.290 | 0.9950 |
| 1987 | 0.7394 | 0.8021 | 1.2747 | 1.0507 | 0.7267 | 1.0426 | 0.7292 | 1.260 | 1.150 |
| 1988 | 0.7731 | 0.8021 | 1.0185 | 1.0658 | 0.7226 | 1.0300 | 0.7380 | 1.290 | 1.150 |
| 1989 | 1.0039 | 1.0002 | 0.9826 | 1.0549 | 0.833 | 1.1996 | 0.8650 | 1.630 | 1.150 |
| 1990 | 1.0039 | 0.9979 | 1.6715 | 1.490 | 1.0125 | 1.3868 | 1.040 | 1.700 | 1.150 |
| 1991 | 0.3645 | 0.420 | 1.0094 | 0.5046 | 0.414 | 0.5174 | 0.330 | 0.612 | 0.354 |
| 1992 | 0.3645 | 0.4625 | 0.8276 | 0.5246 | 0.494 | 0.550 | 0.330 | 0.5264 | 0.254 |
| 1993 | 0.6215 | 1.440 | 1.6822 | 1.350 | 1.470 | 1.480 | 1.285 | 1.530 | 1.310 |
| 1994 | 1.5397 | 1.650 | 1.6220 | 1.4697 | 1.5110 | 1.480 | 1.37477 | 1.650 | 1.310 |
| 1995 | 1.5247 | 1.6060 | 1.1721 | 1.330 | 1.5740 | 1.470 | 1.365 | 1.5368 | 1.230 |
| 1996 | 1.510 | 1.6495 | 1.500 | 1.3608 | 1.670 | 1.470 | 1.385 | 1.5604 | 1.3133 |
| 1997 | 1.5152 | 1.5803 | 1.4752 | 1.2317 | 1.670 | 1.380 | 1.350 | 1.6424 | 1.370 |

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|------|----------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|---------------|
| 1998 | 1.6539 | 1.630 | 1.500 | 1.480 | 1.670 | 1.550 | 1.58 | 1.6424 | 1.460 |
| 1999 | 1.5602 | 1.5515 | 1.500 | 1.2684 | 1.5366 | 1.4738 | 1.4317 | 1.400 | 1.460 |
| 2000 | 1.5516 | 1.5496 | 1.500 | 1.4981 | 1.7007 | 1.5306 | 1.6311 | 1.4515 | 1.500 |

* The tax data is rounded to the nearest millionth for your convenience when applicable

Source: Mr. Juan F. Sandoval, Tax Assessor Collector (915) 541-4116 City of El Paso Tax Office

Property Tax Structures El Paso, Texas (1980-2000)⁶

Exhibit 6

| Year | El Paso Independent School District | City of El Paso | El Paso County | Thomason General Hospital | El Paso Community College |
|------|---|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1980 | 0.656000 | 0.531200 | 0.149200 | 0.117000* | 0.028540 |
| 1981 | 0.726000 | 0.531200 | 0.200000 | 0.124800* | 0.028800 |
| 1982 | 0.726000 | 0.532100 | 0.223000 | 0.131160* | 0.052730 |
| 1983 | 0.757700 | 0.532100 | 0.230980 | 0.161860* | 0.054930 |
| 1984 | 0.774100 | 0.532100 | 0.230980 | 0.161860* | 0.064730 |
| 1985 | 0.678200 | 0.452240 | 0.208230 | 0.143600* | 0.057560 |
| 1986 | 0.674500 | 0.459484 | 0.226100 | 0.144480 | 0.067560 |
| 1987 | 0.734930 | 0.495335 | 0.226100 | 0.149200 | 0.067310 |
| 1988 | 0.773093 | 0.495427 | 0.226100 | 0.187014 | 0.098330 |
| 1989 | 1.003908 | 0.516160 | 0.196100 | 0.188048 | 0.093757 |
| 1990 | 1.003908 | 0.560247 | 0.186691 | 0.282309 | 0.096965 |
| 1991 | 0.364513 | 0.607468 | 0.253568 | 0.214680 | 0.098941 |
| 1992 | 0.364513 | 0.607468 | 0.260382 | 0.205321 | 0.099610 |
| 1993 | 1.300513 | 0.621451 | 0.293296 | 0.205321 | 0.099328 |
| 1994 | 1.539709 | 0.643796 | 0.305400 | 0.217244 | 0.100566 |
| 1995 | 1.524686 | 0.653229 | 0.280346 | 0.193747 | 0.100280 |
| 1996 | 1.514987 | 0.635926 | 0.305400 | 0.193747 | 0.105070 |
| 1997 | 1.515232 | 0.635926 | 0.315000 | 0.191304 | 0.103640 |
| 1998 | 1.653880 | 0.660234 | 0.361434 | 0.185070 | 0.110751 |
| 1999 | 1.560150 | 0.660234 | 0.361434 | 0.185070 | 0.110751 |
| 2000 | 1.551579 | 0.660213 | 0.361434 | 0.185468 | 0.127499 |

*El Paso County Hospital

Source: El Paso Central Appraisal District, Gerry Ramsey (915) 780-2000

Information provided by Mr. Jim Fraser, Demographics (915) 541-4721, City of El Paso Department of Planning, Research, and Development

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Facts on Region 19

TAKS Results for 2003⁷

Exhibit 7

| | Year | State | Region | African American | Hispanic | White | Native American | Asian/Pacific |
|-------------------|------|-------|--------|------------------|----------|--------|-----------------|---------------|
| TAKS Met Standard | | | | | | | | |
| Grade 3 (English) | | | | | | | | |
| Reading | 2003 | 89.6% | 88.5% | 91.4% | 87.6% | 93.9% | 82.5% | 96.9% |
| Mathematics | 2003 | 90.8% | 89.8% | 91.0% | 89.0% | 94.7% | 84.6% | 95.5% |
| All Tests | 2003 | 84.9% | 83.4% | 87.1% | 82.2% | 90.3% | 76.2% | 94.0% |
| TAKS Met Standard | | | | | | | | |
| Grade 3 (Spanish) | | | | | | | | |
| Reading | 2003 | 81.7% | 84.3% | * | 84.3% | 100.0% | * | * |
| Mathematics | 2003 | 82.0% | 83.0% | * | 82.9% | 100.0% | * | * |
| All Tests | 2003 | 72.8% | 75.5% | * | 75.4% | 100.0% | * | * |
| TAKS Met Standard | | | | | | | | |
| Grade 4 (English) | | | | | | | | |
| Reading | 2003 | 85.9% | 85.8% | 87.1% | 84.5% | 93.8% | 96.4% | 94.4% |
| Mathematics | 2003 | 88.0% | 85.8% | 81.3% | 84.9% | 92.2% | 93.5% | 97.3% |
| Writing | 2003 | 86.8% | 87.5% | 86.0% | 86.7% | 92.7% | 100.0% | 93.2% |
| All Tests | 2003 | 75.8% | 74.7% | 71.3% | 73.2% | 85.3% | 90.3% | 88.2% |
| TAKS Met Standard | | | | | | | | |
| Grade 4 (Spanish) | | | | | | | | |
| Reading | 2003 | 81.0% | 79.8% | * | 79.7% | 100.0% | * | * |
| Mathematics | 2003 | 74.9% | 74.1% | * | 74.1% | 50.0% | * | * |
| Writing | 2003 | 87.1% | 87.6% | * | 87.6% | 75.0% | * | * |
| All Tests | 2003 | 66.6% | 65.0% | * | 65.0% | 50.0% | * | * |
| TAKS Met Standard | | | | | | | | |
| Grade 5 (English) | | | | | | | | |
| Reading | 2003 | 80.0% | 77.6% | 80.4% | 76.0% | 89.0% | 81.1% | 87.7% |
| Mathematics | 2003 | 86.3% | 84.8% | 79.1% | 84.0% | 92.2% | 86.8% | 97.3% |
| Science | 2003 | 74.5% | 69.1% | 74.7% | 66.7% | 85.0% | 73.7% | 84.9% |
| All Tests | 2003 | 65.9% | 65.9% | 64.6% | 57.7% | 77.5% | 69.2% | 78.4% |
| TAKS Met Standard | | | | | | | | |
| Grade 5 (Spanish) | | | | | | | | |
| Reading | 2003 | 75.7% | 77.2% | * | 77.2% | 60.0% | - | * |
| Mathematics | 2003 | 66.9% | 70.9% | * | 70.8% | 100.0% | - | * |
| Science | 2003 | 32.4% | 33.7% | * | 33.6% | 40.0% | - | * |
| All Tests | 2003 | 32.1% | 31.7% | * | 31.7% | 40.0% | - | * |
| TAKS Met Standard | | | | | | | | |
| Grade 6 (English) | | | | | | | | |
| Reading | 2003 | 86.2% | 80.6% | 84.1% | 79.1% | 93.2% | 87.5% | 85.1% |
| Mathematics | 2003 | 79.3% | 72.5% | 69 | 71.3% | 83.3% | 65.6% | 88.2% |
| All Tests | 2003 | 74.8% | 66.6% | 65 | 64.9% | 81.8% | 65.6% | 78.9% |
| TAKS Met Standard | | | | | | | | |

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| | Year | State | Region | African American | Hispanic | White | Native American | Asian/Pacific |
|-------------------|------|-------|--------|------------------|----------|-------|-----------------|---------------|
| Grade 6 (Spanish) | | | | | | | | |
| Reading | 2003 | 82.8% | 84.1% | * | 84.4% | - | - | * |
| Mathematics | 2003 | 53.1% | 52.7% | * | 52.7% | - | - | * |
| All Tests | 2003 | 52.5% | 50.6% | * | 50.6% | - | - | * |
| TAKS Met Standard | | | | | | | | |
| Grade 7 | | | | | | | | |
| Reading | 2003 | 88.0% | 83.7% | 85.6 | 82.4% | 93.4% | 100.0% | 89.4% |
| Mathematics | 2003 | 73.4% | 67.9% | 65.4 | 66.2% | 82.0% | 72.7% | 82.1% |
| Writing | 2003 | 85.8% | 81.1% | 86 | 79.5% | 91.4% | 97.7% | 90.5% |
| All Tests | 2003 | 67.7% | 60.7% | 60.3 | 58.5% | 77.5% | 72.7% | 74.6% |
| TAKS Met Standard | | | | | | | | |
| Grade 8 | | | | | | | | |
| Reading | 2003 | 88.7% | 85.8% | 87.4% | 84.3% | 96.0% | 81.5% | 93.5% |
| Mathematics | 2003 | 73.2% | 66.1% | 62.9% | 64.0% | 81.8% | 76.0% | 80.8% |
| Soc Studies | 2003 | 93.1% | 91.2% | 91.6% | 90.4% | 97.6% | 92.6% | 93.4% |
| All Tests | 2003 | 69.9% | 62.6% | 60.3% | 60.3% | 80.4% | 70.4% | 80.8% |
| TAKS Met Standard | | | | | | | | |
| Grade 9 | | | | | | | | |
| Reading | 2003 | 82.4% | 76.2% | 81.3% | 74.3% | 91.2% | 88.6% | 77.8% |
| Mathematics | 2003 | 65.1% | 52.5% | 48.0% | 50.1% | 71.8% | 64.1% | 82.6% |
| All Tests | 2003 | 61.7% | 49.4% | 48.0% | 46.9% | 70.9% | 60.9% | 68.8% |
| TAKS Met Standard | | | | | | | | |
| Grade 10 | | | | | | | | |
| Eng Lang Arts | 2003 | 72.8% | 64.3% | 69.9% | 62.1% | 79.1% | 63.0% | 72.3% |
| Mathematics | 2003 | 74.2% | 65.4% | 69.7% | 63.4% | 78.2% | 55.2% | 83.7% |
| Science | 2003 | 69.6% | 59.2% | 64.0% | 56.0% | 81.9% | 53.6% | 73.5% |
| Soc Studies | 2003 | 86.8% | 81.6% | 89.5% | 79.9% | 91.8% | 85.7% | 83.9% |
| All Tests | 2003 | 53.3% | 42.2% | 46.5% | 39.2% | 64.3% | 28.1% | 56.8% |

Source: Texas Education Agency. 2002-03 AEIS Region Report <<http://www.tea.state.tx.us/perfreport/aeis/>>

Information on the Staff and Students for 2003⁸

Exhibit 8

| | Count | Percentage |
|---|---------|------------|
| Professional Staff: | 13064.1 | 61.4% |
| Teachers | 10713.3 | 50.4% |
| Professional Support | 1660.8 | 7.8% |
| Campus Administration (School Leadership) | 503.8 | 2.4% |
| Central Administration | 186.2 | 0.9% |
| Educational Aides: | 1702.5 | 8.0% |
| Auxiliary Staff: | 6505.5 | 30.6% |

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|---|---------|--------|
| Total Staff: | 21272.0 | 100.0% |
| Total Minority Staff: | 15605.1 | 73.4% |
| Teachers by Ethnicity and Sex: | | |
| Females | 7523.0 | 70.2% |
| Males | 3190.3 | 29.8% |
| African American | 223.0 | 2.1% |
| Hispanic | 6400.1 | 59.7% |
| White | 3986.4 | 37.2% |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 79.1 | 0.7% |
| Native American | 24.6 | 0.2% |
| Teachers by Highest Degree Held: | | |
| No Degree | 176.1 | 1.6% |
| Bachelors | 8308.0 | 77.5% |
| Masters | 2192.9 | 20.5% |
| Doctorate | 36.3 | 0.3% |
| Teachers by Years of Experience: | | |
| Beginning Teachers | 916.5 | 8.6% |
| 1-5 Years Experience | 2843.5 | 26.5% |
| 6-10 Years Experience | 2006.6 | 18.7% |
| 11-20 Years Experience | 2763.0 | 25.8% |
| Over 20 Years Experience | 2183.7 | 20.4% |
| Number of Students per Teacher: | 15.2 | n/a |
| Average Years Experience of Teachers: | 11.7 | |
| Average Years Experience of Teachers with District: | 8.8 | |
| Average Teacher Salary by Years of Experience: (regular duties only) | | |
| Beginning Teachers | 32,037 | |
| 1-5 Years Experience | 33,631 | |
| 6-10 Years Experience | 36,272 | |
| 11-20 Years Experience | 41,911 | |
| Over 20 Years Experience | 49,633 | |
| Average Actual Salaries (regular duties only) | | |
| Teachers | 39387 | |

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|---|---------|--------|
| Professional Support | 46758 | |
| Campus Administration (School Leadership) | 60550 | |
| Central Administration | 65981 | |
| | | |
| Total Students | 163,170 | 100.0% |
| By Grade | | |
| Early Childhood Education | 328 | 0.2% |
| Pre-Kindergarten | 6,247 | 3.8% |
| Kindergarten | 11,399 | 7.0% |
| Grade 1 | 12,791 | 7.8% |
| Grade 2 | 12,124 | 7.4% |
| Grade 3 | 12,325 | 7.6% |
| Grade 4 | 12,560 | 7.7% |
| Grade 5 | 12,376 | 7.6% |
| Grade 6 | 12,424 | 7.6% |
| Grade 7 | 12,412 | 7.6% |
| Grade 8 | 11,944 | 7.3% |
| Grade 9 | 14,538 | 8.9% |
| Grade 10 | 11,850 | 7.3% |
| Grade 11 | 10,200 | 6.3% |
| Grade 12 | 9,652 | 5.9% |
| Ethnic Distribution: | | |
| African American | 4,357 | 2.7% |
| Hispanic | 142,213 | 87.2% |
| White | 14,929 | 9.1% |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 1,143 | 0.7% |
| Native American | 528 | 0.3% |
| Economically Disadvantaged | 121,936 | 74.7% |
| Limited English Proficient (LEP) | 49,703 | 30.5% |
| Students w/ Disciplinary Placements (2001-02) | 2,193 | 1.5% |
| Total Graduates (Class of 2002): | 9,020 | 100.0% |
| | | |
| By Ethnicity (incl. Special Ed.) | | |
| African American | 236 | 2.6% |
| Hispanic | 7,515 | 83.3% |
| White | 1,165 | 12.9% |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 82 | 0.9% |
| Native American | 22 | 0.2% |
| By Graduation Type (incl. Special Ed.) | | |
| Minimum H.S. Program | 1,563 | 17.3% |
| Recommended H.S. Pgm./DAP | 7,457 | 82.7% |
| Special Education Graduates | 627 | 7.0% |

Source: Texas Education Agency. 2002-03 AEIS Region Report <<http://www.tea.state.tx.us/perfreport/aeis/>>

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Class Size Information (Derived from teacher responsibility records.)⁹ Exhibit 9

| Class Size Averages by Grade and Subject: | Average |
|---|---------|
| Elementary: | |
| Kindergarten | 20.4 |
| Grade 1 | 19.5 |
| Grade 2 | 19.5 |
| Grade 3 | 20.5 |
| Grade 4 | 20.1 |
| Grade 5 | 24.8 |
| Grade 6 | 26.3 |
| Mixed Grades | 38.1 |
| Secondary: | |
| English/Language Arts | 23.3 |
| Foreign Language | 24.7 |
| Mathematics | 24.4 |
| Science | 25.1 |
| Social Studies | 26.0 |

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Program Information¹⁰

Exhibit 10

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| Student Enrollment by Program: | |
| Bilingual/ESL Education | 40,674 |
| Career and Technology Education | 28,568 |
| Gifted and Talented Education | 12,051 |
| Special Education | 15,903 |
| | |
| Teachers by Program (population served): | |
| Bilingual/ESL Education | 2018.3 |
| Career and Technology Education | 350.1 |
| Compensatory Education | 41.4 |
| Gifted and Talented Education | 108.9 |
| Regular Education | 7150.5 |
| Special Education | 887.8 |
| Other | 156.3 |
| Expenditures by Program: | |
| Bilingual/ESL Education | 48,872,200 |
| Career and Technology Education | 18,801,316 |
| Compensatory Education | 35,442,997 |
| Gifted and Talented Education | 2,189,373 |
| Regular Education | 391,164,856 |
| Special Education | 68,934,476 |
| Other | 5,716,903 |

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⁵ Mr. Juan F. Sandoval, Tax Assessor Collector (915) 541-4116 City of El Paso Tax Office

⁶ El Paso Central Appraisal District, Gerry Ramsey (915) 780-2000

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⁷ Texas Education Agency. *2002-03 AEIS Region Report* <<http://www.tea.state.tx.us/perfreport/aeis/>>

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