

Life Track Survey Class of 2007



18 months post-graduation

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Why Survey?



"Many times we survey parents and teachers, but we believe the most important people to survey are our own graduates. You have been out on your own and can give us a true picture of how well our school was able to prepare you for your chosen direction after graduation—college, work, military, etc. Your opinions and input into this process are valued. Each survey is important. This information will be used along with other data to offer the best programs we can at Geyer High School to meet the needs of our current students.

Thank you for your contribution."

Barbara Fischer

DISD and LifeTrack History



**Class of 2007—Exit Survey and 18 month survey received;
5 year survey due fall 2012**

**Class of 2008—Exit Survey received; 18 month survey due
summer 2010; 5 year survey due fall 2013**

**Class of 2009—Exit Survey due Oct. 09; 18 month survey
due summer 2011; 5 year survey due fall 2014**

LifeTack Services



- Senior Exit Survey
- Initial Postgraduate Survey @ 18 months
- Culminating Survey @ 5 years
- Annual Public Relations Letters

All surveys include Demographic Indicators, Yes/No, and Multiple Choice (qualitative) questions.

DISD Board Reviews of Data



- **October 2007—Exit Survey Class of 2007**
- **February 2009—Comparison of Class of 2008 and 2007 Exit Surveys with Ethnic breakout data**
- **September 2009—Review of Initial 18 month Postgraduate Survey with Ethnic breakout data for Class of 2007**

Demographics

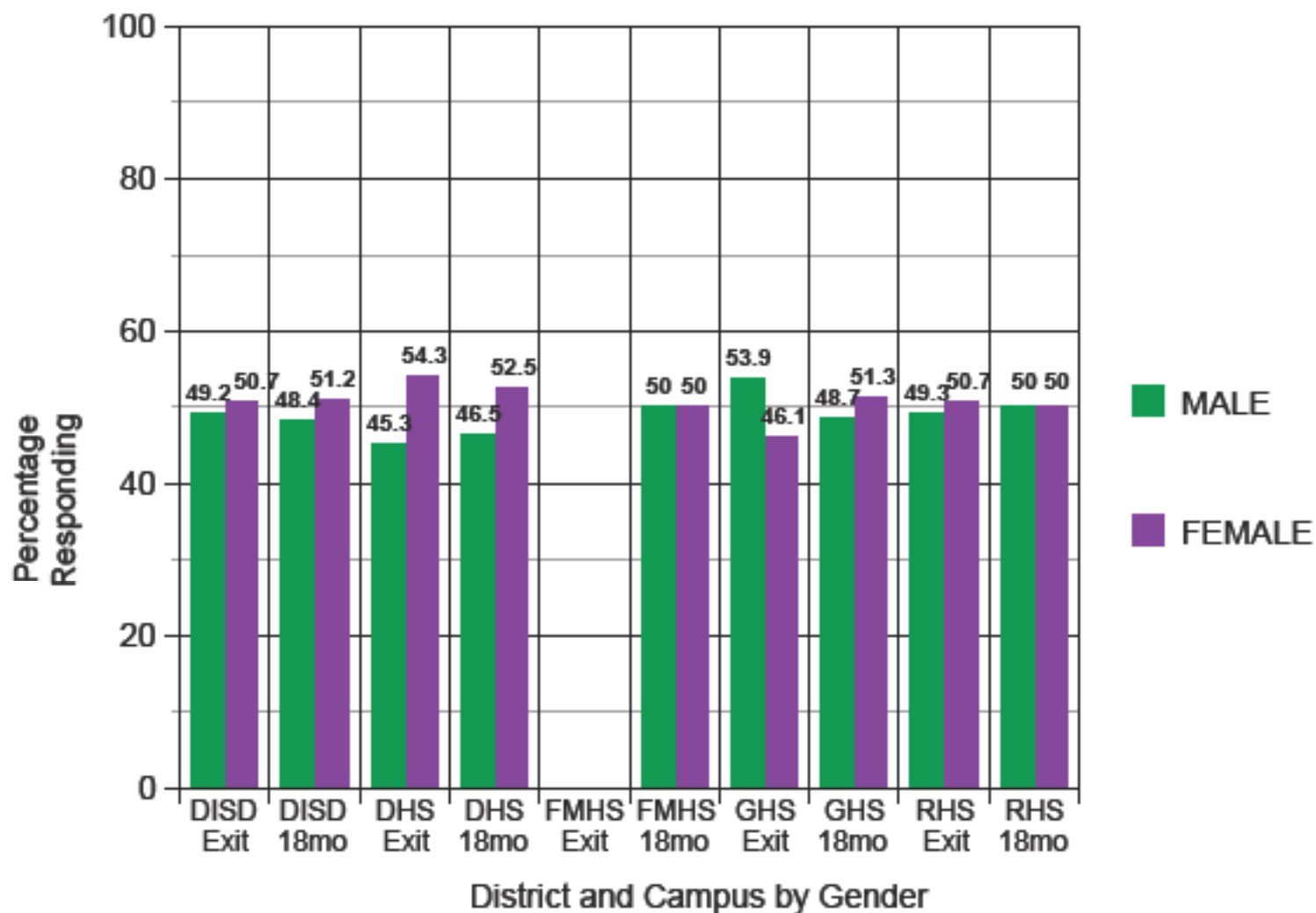


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PRESENT STATUS

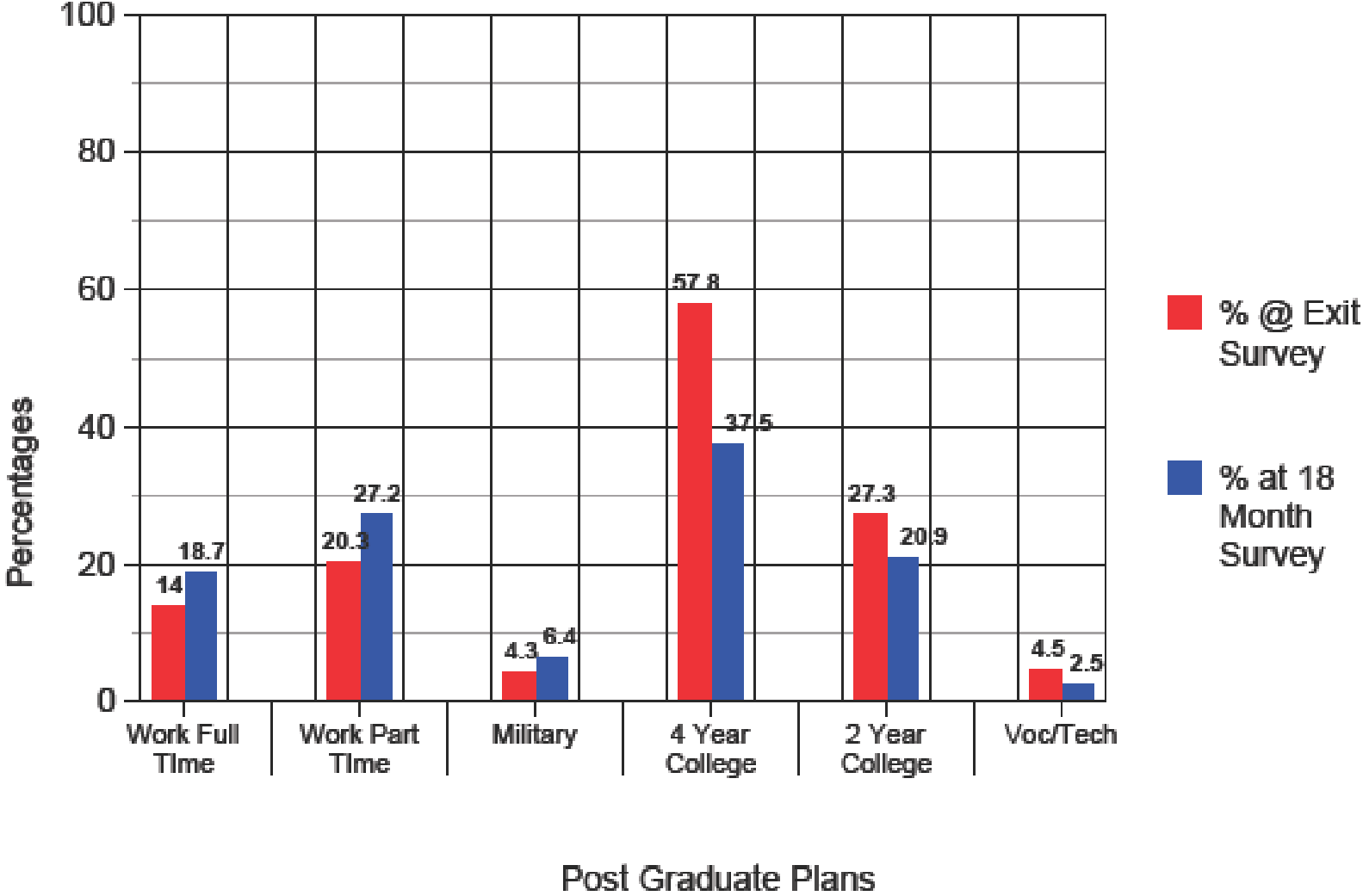
ETHNICITY

Class of 2007 Exit & 18 Month Survey Response by Gender

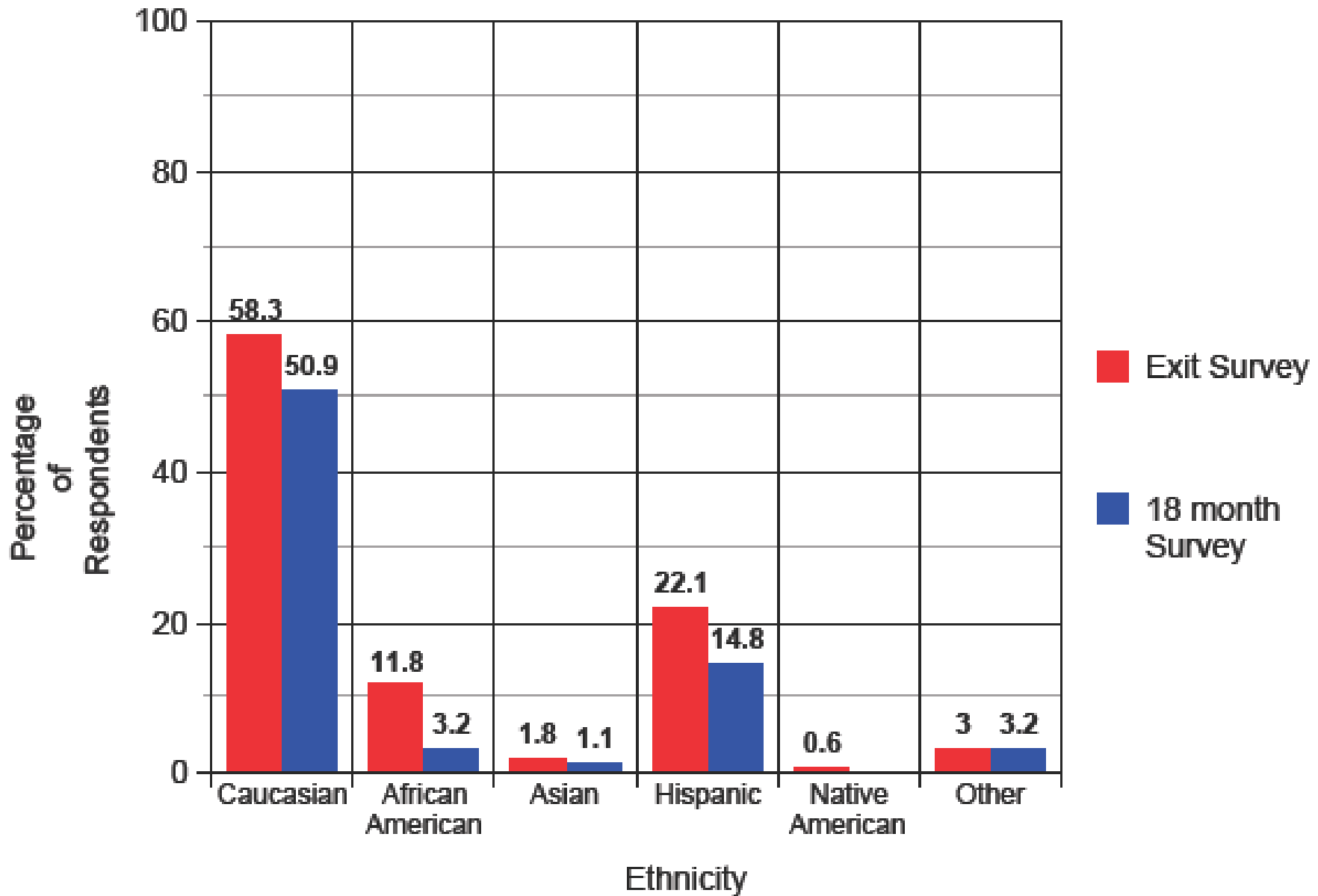


Lifetrack Surveys

Comparison of DISD Reports of Post Graduate Plans with Current Status Reported at 18 Month Survey



Survey Respondents by Ethnicity for Class of 2007



Survey Questions



**SUMMARY DATA CLASS OF 2007
ETHNIC BREAKOUT**

**INITIAL POST GRADUATE SURVEY
18 MONTHS**

#1 – 5 Yes/No
Percentages based
on actual number of
students answering
each question

#6 – 14 Multiple
Choice Qualitative
Percentage is the
sum of the Above
Average choices:
Excellent + Good

Question	DISD 18 month Grads= 809 n283=35%
Gender (M/F)	48.4/51.2%
Plan/Status - work full time	18.70%
work part time	27.20%
military	6.40%
4 year college	37.50%
2 year college	20.90%
voc/tech	2.50%
no response	19.80%
1)Offered Quality Education	93.00%
2)High Teacher Standards	92.00%
3)Guidance/Counseling Opps	75.00%
4)High Academic Standard	87.00%
5)Co-Curricular Activities	80.00%
6)Prep / Math*	74.00%
7)Prep / English*	89.00%
8)Prep / Science*	74.00%
9)Prep / Social Studies*	84.00%
10)Prep / Technology*	79.00%
11)Prep / Work Force*	71.00%
12)Prep / Continue Education*	84.00%
13)Safe Learning Environment*	88.00%
14)Drug Free Environment*	71.00%
* #=Above Average %	

Question	DISD Grads=809 Resp=283	White Resp=144	African American Resp=9	Asian Resp=3	Hispanic Resp=42	Native American Resp=0	Other Resp=9
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work full time	18.70%						
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1) Offered Quality Education	93.00%	93.60%	100.00%	66.70%	95.20%	0.00%	88.90%
2) High Teacher Standards	92.00%	91.40%	100.00%	100.00%	97.60%	0.00%	89.00%
3) Guidance/Counseling Opps	75.00%	73.00%	100.00%	66.70%	84.20%	0.00%	88.90%
4)High Academic Standards	87.00%	85.30%	77.80%	100.00%	88.10%	0.00%	100.00%
5)Co-Curricular Activities	80.00%	83.90%	88.90%	100.00%	73.80%	0.00%	66.70%
6)Prep / Math*	74.00%	71.00%	77.80%	100.00%	80.90%	0.00%	66.70%
7)Prep / English*	89.00%	86.00%	88.90%	100.00%	95.20%	0.00%	66.70%
8)Prep / Science*	74.00%	76.40%	88.90%	33.30%	68.30%	0.00%	66.70%
9)Prep / Social Studies*	84.00%	85.90%	88.90%	66.70%	85.40%	0.00%	75.00%
10)Prep / Technology*	79.00%	79.20%	100.00%	66.70%	77.50%	0.00%	88.90%
11)Prep / Work Force	71.00%	67.40%	87.50%	66.70%	82.50%	0.00%	50.00%
12)Prep / Continue Education	84.00%	83.50%	88.90%	66.70%	92.30%	0.00%	88.90%
13)Safe Learning Environm	88.00%	88.20%	88.90%	66.70%	90.50%	0.00%	88.90%
14)Drug Free Environment	71.00%	67.10%	77.80%	100.00%	87.80%	0.00%	44.40%

* #=Above Average %

Observations-----Implications

- Rate of Return needs to be increased
- Revise Questions
- Work/College Planning
- Campus Review of Data

- Enlist student leaders & brief parents
- Ensure that information gathered is usable
- Help students create back up plans
- Utilize data for goal setting and planning & maintain awareness of student perception of services

Conclusions



- Denton ISD High Schools did an Excellent to Good job with our students as confirmed by the Graduates of the Class of 2007 in the 18 month post graduation survey.
- The data appears to be consistent with the original exit survey and provides a baseline to use in comparing our progress with future 18 month surveys of our subsequent Life Track Classes.
- With district growth and improving technological resources, we should investigate the possibilities of moving to an “in-house” survey process.