



Division of Community & Regional Affairs (DCRA) Report to Director Tara Jollie

Research Project: Investigate Alaska Rural/Urban Migration 1995 to 2008/2009

Project Background: Recently much discussion has been devoted to the issue of migration from rural Alaska to its urban centers. While in-state migration has been ongoing for over several decades, the socio economic position of rural residents has recently suffered from substantial increases to their costs-of-living, in particular fuel prices.

People movement from rural to urban places may have accelerated and may have challenged the viability of rural communities. Moreover, the influx of new populations to the urban centers may cause urban housing shortages and challenge other social and economic conditions.

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Status Report: November 19, 2008

Current efforts:

- 1) **First Alaskans Institute:** conducted survey October 20-Oct 25, 2008
- 2) **DCRA:** compared historical school enrollment and population data between 1995 and 2007 (intervals) on the borough or census area level.
- 3) **DCRA:** established a five year school enrollment trend on the community level.
- 4) **DCRA:** collected school enrollment numbers (October 20, 2009) on the community level.
- 5) **DOLWD:** provided in-state migration 2006 figures and 2007 age distribution or census area level.
- 6) **ISER:** started to investigate the increase in Anchorage School District enrollment numbers of Alaska Native students.

Future Tasks: discuss preliminary findings, continue research and conduct analyses of all existing data, provide periodic progress reports to interested groups.

- 1) **First Alaskans Institute:** evaluate survey
- 2) **DCRA:** continue school district data collection and analyze existing data
- 3) **DCRA:** investigate and collect data from rural electricity customer base (if possible)
- 4) **DOLWD:** population estimates 2008; in-state migration 2008
- 5) **ISER:** evaluate proposed socio-economic survey
- 6) **All:** define methodology, common terminology, and compile findings

School Enrollment and Population
Change 2000-2005
Calendar Year

Census Area	School Districts by borough or census area	2000		2005		2000-2005		2000-2005		Population		Population	
		School FY 2001 KG-12	Enrollment FY 2005 KG-12	School FY 2001-2006	Enrollment FY 2001-2006	Change FY 2001-2006	Percent Change 2001-2006	2000	2005	Change 1995-2000	Percent Change 1995-2000		
13	Aleutians East Borough	301	244	(57)	-18.9%	2,697	2,656	(41)	-1.5%				
16	Aleutinas West Census Area	553	557	4	0.7%	5,465	5,244	(221)	-4.0%				
20	Municipality of Anchorage	49,123	49,260	137	0.3%	260,283	278,294	18,011	6.9%				
50	Bethel Census Area	4,556	4,800	244	5.4%	16,006	17,092	1,086	6.8%				
60	Bristol Bay Borough	243	176	(67)	-27.6%	1,258	1,176	(82)	-6.5%				
68	Denali Borough	310	627	317	102.3%	1,893	1,823	(70)	-3.7%				
70	Dillingham Census Area	1,338	1,212	(126)	-9.4%	4,922	4,791	(131)	-2.7%				
90	Fairbanks North Star Borough	15,555	14,513	(1,042)	-6.7%	82,840	87,704	4,864	5.9%				
99	Alveska Central School	1,041	1,041	(1,041)	-100.0%	2,392	2,208	(184)	-7.7%				
100	Haines Borough	402	291	(111)	-27.6%	30,711	31,225	514	1.7%				
110	Juneau Borough	5,463	5,218	(245)	-4.5%	49,691	51,248	1,557	3.1%				
122	Kenai Peninsula Borough	9,916	9,499	(417)	-4.2%	14,070	13,131	(939)	-6.7%				
130	Ketchikan Gateway Borough	2,469	2,274	(195)	-7.9%	13,913	13,687	(226)	-1.6%				
150	Kodiak Island Borough	2,735	2,728	(7)	-0.3%	1,823	1,620	(203)	-11.1%				
164	Lake & Peninsula Borough	480	394	(86)	-17.9%	59,322	74,095	14,773	24.9%				
170	Mat-Su Borough	12,924	15,349	2,425	18.8%	9,196	9,464	268	2.9%				
180	Nome Census Area	2,495	2,423	(72)	-2.9%	7,385	6,896	(489)	-6.6%				
185	North Slope Borough	1,957	1,710	(247)	-12.6%	7,208	7,326	118	1.6%				
188	Northwest Arctic Borough	2,146	2,019	(127)	-5.9%	6,146	5,510	(636)	-10.3%				
201	Prince of Wales -Outer Ketchikan CA	1,428	1,491	63	4.4%	8,835	8,944	109	1.2%				
220	Sitka City and Borough	1,945	1,873	(72)	-3.7%	3,436	3,063	(373)	-10.9%				
232	Skagway -Hoonah-Angeon Census Area	629	494	(135)	-21.5%	2,229	2,229	834	37.1%				
105	Hoonah-Angeon Census Area												
230	Skagway Municipality												
240	Southeast Fairbanks Census Area	1,340	1,828	488	36.4%	6,174	6,471	297	4.8%				
261	Valdez-Cordova Census Area	2,184	2,073	(111)	-5.1%	10,195	10,021	(174)	-1.7%				
270	Wade Hampton Census Area	2,341	2,492	151	6.5%	7,028	7,505	477	6.8%				
280	Wrangell Petersburg Census Area	1,334	1,076	(258)	-19.3%	6,684	6,167	(517)	-7.7%				
282	Yakutat City and Borough	167	134	(33)	-19.8%	808	643	(165)	-20.4%				
290	Yukon Koyukuk Census Area	6,771	6,619	(152)	-2.2%	6,551	6,056	(495)	-7.6%				
Total		132,146	131,374	(772)	-0.6%	626,932	664,060	37,128	5.9%				

Source: Alaska Department of Education and Early Development and Department of Labor and Workforce Development

divergent trend
parallel trend

School Enrollment and Population Change 2005-2007

Census Area	School Districts by borough or census area	School Enrollment		School Enrollment Change FY	School Enrollment Percent Change	Population		Population Change	Population Percent Change
		2005 FY	2007 FY			2007	2005-2007		
13 Aleutians East Borough		244	254	10	4.1%	2,795	2,656	139	5.2%
16 Aleutians West Census Area		557	536	(21)	-3.8%	4,524	5,244	-720	-13.7%
20 Municipality of Anchorage		49,260	48,370	(890)	-1.8%	283,823	278,294	5,529	2.0%
50 Bethel Census Area		4,800	4,828	28	0.6%	16,832	17,092	-260	-1.5%
60 Bristol Bay Borough		176	183	7	4.0%	1,035	1,176	-141	-12.0%
68 Denali Boroughs		627	646	19	3.0%	1,731	1,823	-92	-5.0%
70 Dillingham Census Area		1,212	1,162	(50)	-4.1%	4,792	4,791	1	0.0%
90 Fairbanks North Star Borough		14,513	14,031	(482)	-3.3%	90,963	87,704	3,259	3.7%
99 Alyeska Central School		0	0	-	-				
100 Haines Borough Schools		291	317	26	8.9%	2,257	2,208	49	2.2%
110 Juneau Borough Schools		5,218	5,042	(176)	-3.4%	30,305	31,225	-920	-2.9%
122 Kenai Peninsula Borough Schools		9,499	9,375	(124)	-1.3%	52,370	51,248	1,122	2.2%
130 Ketchikan Gateway Borough Schools		2,274	2,167	(107)	-4.7%	13,160	13,131	29	0.2%
150 Kodiak Island Borough Schools		2,728	2,662	(66)	-2.4%	13,568	13,687	-119	-0.9%
164 Lake & Peninsula Borough Schools		394	373	(21)	-5.3%	1,538	1,620	-82	-5.1%
170 Mat-Su Borough Schools		15,349	16,028	679	4.4%	80,056	74,095	5,961	8.0%
180 Nome Census Area		2,423	2,371	(52)	-2.1%	9,509	9,464	45	0.5%
185 North Slope Borough Schools		1,710	1,609	(101)	-5.9%	6,748	6,896	-148	-2.1%
188 Northwest Arctic Borough Schools		2,019	1,933	(86)	-4.3%	7,396	7,326	70	1.0%
201 Prince of Wales - Outer Ketchikan CA		1,491	1,394	(97)	-6.5%	5,328	5,510	-182	-3.3%
220 Sitka City and Borough		1,873	1,791	(82)	-4.4%	8,640	8,944	-304	-3.4%
232 Skagway -Hoonah-Angoon Census Area		494	429	(65)	-13.2%				
105 Hoonah-Angoon Census Area				-	-	2,156	2,229	-73	-3.3%
230 Skagway Municipality				-	-	845	834	11	1.3%
240 SE Fairbanks		1,828	1,646	(182)	-10.0%	7,022	6,471	551	8.5%
261 Valdez-Cordova Census Area		2,073	1,886	(187)	-9.0%	9,610	10,021	-411	-4.1%
270 Wade Hampton Census Area		2,492	2,534	42	1.7%	7,595	7,505	90	1.2%
280 Wrangell Petersburg Census Area		1,076	997	(79)	-7.3%	6,016	6,167	-151	-2.4%
282 Yakutat City Schools		134	120	(14)	-10.4%	621	643	-22	-3.4%
290 Yukon Koyukuk Census Area		6,619	6,667	48	0.7%	5,752	6,056	-304	-5.0%
Total		131,374	129,351	(2,023)	-1.5%	676,987	664,060	12,927	1.9%

Source: Alaska Department of Education and Early Development and Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development

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School Enrollment and Population Change 1995-2000
Calendar Year

Census Area	School Districts by Borough or Census Area	1995 School Enrollment		2000 School Enrollment		1995-2000 School Enrollment Change		1995-2000 School Enrollment Percent Change		Population		Population Change		Population Percent Change	
		FY 1996 KG-12	FY 2001 KG-12	FY 1996 KG-12	FY 2001 KG-12	FY 1996-2001	1996-2001	1995	2000	1995-2000	1995-2000	1995	2000	1995-2000	1995-2000
13	Aleutians East Borough	355	301	(54)	-15.2%	2,234	2,697	463	21%						
16	Aleutians West Census Area	573	553	(20)	-3.5%	5,651	5,465	(186)	-3%						
20	Municipality of Anchorage	46,915	49,123	2,208	4.7%	252,729	260,283	7,554	3%						
50	Bethel Census Area	4,129	4,556	427	10.3%	15,217	16,006	789	5%						
60	Bristol Bay Borough	291	243	(48)	-16.5%	1,189	1,258	69	6%						
68	Denali Borough	378	310	(68)	-18.0%	1,836	1,893	57	3%						
70	Dillingham Census Area	1,125	1,338	213	18.9%	4,389	4,922	533	12%						
90	Fairbanks North Star Borough	15,872	15,555	(317)	-2.0%	81,552	82,840	1,288	2%						
99	Alyeska Central School	1,351	1,041	(310)	-22.9%										
100	Haines Borough	439	402	(37)	-8.4%	2,280	2,392	112	5%						
110	Juneau Borough	5,502	5,463	(39)	-0.7%	28,700	30,711	2,011	7%						
122	Kenai Peninsula Borough	10,270	9,916	(354)	-3.4%	45,906	49,691	3,785	8%						
130	Ketchikan Gateway Borough	2,848	2,469	(379)	-13.3%	14,764	14,070	(694)	-5%						
150	Kodiak Island Borough	2,902	2,735	(167)	-5.8%	14,847	13,913	(934)	-6%						
164	Lake & Peninsula Borough	503	480	(23)	-4.6%	1,816	1,823	7	0%						
170	Mat-Su Borough	12,231	12,924	693	5.7%	48,906	59,322	10,416	21%						
180	Nome Census Area	2,389	2,495	106	4.4%	8,893	9,196	303	3%						
185	North Slope Borough	1,793	1,957	164	9.1%	6,920	7,385	465	7%						
188	Northwest Arctic Borough	1,866	2,146	280	15.0%	6,591	7,208	617	9%						
201	Prince of Wales -Outer Ketchikan CA	1,531	1,428	(103)	-6.7%	6,734	6,146	(588)	-9%						
220	Sitka City and Borough	2,065	1,945	(120)	-5.8%	8,868	8,835	(33)	0%						
232	Skagway -Hoonah-Angoon Census Area	783	629	(154)	-19.7%	3,747	3,436	(311)	-8%						
240	Southeast Fairbanks Census Area	1,427	1,340	(87)	-6.1%	6,406	6,174	(232)	-4%						
261	Valdez-Cordova Census Area	2,197	2,184	(13)	-0.6%	10,416	10,195	(221)	-2%						
270	Wade Hampton Census Area	2,214	2,341	127	5.7%	6,632	7,028	396	6%						
280	Wrangell Petersburg Census Area	1,497	1,334	(163)	-10.9%	7,198	6,684	(514)	-7%						
282	Yakutat City and Borough	173	167	(6)	-3.5%	770	808	38	5%						
290	Yukon Koyukuk Census Area	1,721	6,771	1,710	293.4%	6,390	6,551	161	3%						
	Total	125,340	132,146	3,466	5.4%	601,581	626,932	25,351	4%						

Source: Alaska Department of Education and Early Development and Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development

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Type of Schools by Community

Boarding Schools

1. Bethel
2. Galena
3. Sitka

Correctional Facility Schools

1. Anchorage
2. Bethel
3. Juneau
4. Seward

Correspondence Schools

1. Craig
2. Delta Junction
3. Delta/Greely
4. Fairbanks
5. Galena
6. Glennallen
7. Haines
8. Ketchikan
9. Kodiak
10. Kotzebue
11. Lake & Peninsula Borough
12. McGrath
13. Nenana
14. Nome
15. Sitka
16. Tanana
17. Tok
18. Valdez
19. Wasilla

Hub Community Schools

1. Barrow
2. Bethel
3. Cordova
4. Dillingham
5. Galena
6. Haines
7. Homer
8. Kenai
9. Kodiak
10. Kodiak Station
11. Kotzebue
12. McGrath
13. Nome
14. Petersburg
15. Seward
16. Soldotna
17. Valdez

Urban Community Schools

1. Anchorage
2. Big Lake
3. Butte
4. College
5. Eagle River
6. Eielson AFB
7. Fairbanks
8. Fort Richardson
9. Gateway
10. Houston
11. Juneau
12. Ketchikan
13. Knik-Fairview
14. Lakes
15. Meadow Lakes
16. North Pole
17. Palmer
18. Sitka
19. Skagway
20. Tanaina
21. Wasilla
22. Willow

Rural Community Schools

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|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Adak | 57. Fort Yukon | 112. Metlakatla | 168. Saint Michael |
| 2. Akhiok | 58. Gakona | 113. Minto | 169. Saint Paul |
| 3. Akiachak | 59. Gambell | 114. Moose Pass | 170. Salcha |
| 4. Akiak | 60. Glacier View | 115. Mosquito Lake | 171. Sand Point |
| 5. Akutan | 61. Glennallen | 116. Mountain Village | 172. Savoonga |
| 6. Alakanuk | 62. Golovin | 117. Naknek | 173. Scammon Bay |
| 7. Aleknagik | 63. Goodnews Bay | 118. Naknek | 174. Selawik |
| 8. Allakaket | 64. Grayling | 119. Nanwalek | 175. Seldovia |
| 9. Ambler | 65. Gustavus | 120. Napakiak | 176. Shaktoolik |
| 10. Anaktuvuk Pass | 66. Healy | 121. Napaskiak | 177. Shishmaref |
| 11. Anchor Point | 67. Healy Lake | 122. Naukati Bay | 178. Shungnak |
| 12. Anderson | 68. Hollis | 123. Nelson Lagoon | 179. Slana |
| 13. Angoon | 69. Holy Cross | 124. Nenana | 180. Sleetmute |
| 14. Aniak | 70. Hoonah | 125. New Stuyahok | 181. South Naknek |
| 15. Anvik | 71. Hooper Bay | 126. Newhalen | 182. Stebbins |
| 16. Arctic Village | 72. Hope | 127. Newtok | 183. Sterling |
| 17. Atka | 73. Hughes | 128. Nightmute | 184. Stevens Village |
| 18. Atmautluak | 74. Huslia | 129. Nikiski | 185. Stony River |
| 19. Atkasuk | 75. Hydaburg | 130. Nikiski | 186. Sutton-Alpine |
| 20. Beaver | 76. Hyder | 131. Nikolaevsk | 187. Takotna |
| 21. Brevig Mission | 77. Igiugig | 132. Nikolai | 188. Takotna |
| 22. Buckland | 78. Kachemak Selo | 133. Nikolski | 189. Talkeetna |
| 23. Cantwell | 79. Kake | 134. Ninilchik | 190. Tanacross |
| 24. Central | 80. Kaktovik | 135. Noatak | 191. Tanana |
| 25. Chalkyitsik | 81. Kalifornsky | 136. Nondalton | 192. Tatitlek |
| 26. Chefornak | 82. Kaltag | 137. Noorvik | 193. Teller |
| 27. Chenega Bay | 83. Kasaan | 138. Northway | 194. Tenakee Springs |
| 28. Chevak | 84. Kasigluk | 139. Nuiqsut | 195. Tetlin |
| 29. Chignik | 85. Kasigluk | 140. Nulato | 196. Thorne Bay |
| 30. Chignik Lagoon | 86. Kasilof | 141. Nunam Iqua | 197. Togiak |
| 31. Chignik Lake | 87. Kenny Lake | 142. Nunapitchuk | 198. Tok |
| 32. Chiniak | 88. Kiana | 143. Old Harbor | 199. Toksook Bay |
| 33. Chistochina | 89. King Cove | 144. Oscarville | 200. Trapper Creek |
| 34. Chuathbaluk | 90. Kipnuk | 145. Ouzinkie | 201. Tuluksak |
| 35. Circle | 91. Kivalina | 146. Pedro Bay | 202. Tuntutuliak |
| 36. Clark's Point | 92. Klawock | 147. Pelican | 203. Tununak |
| 37. Coffman Cove | 93. Klukwan | 148. Perryville | 204. Twin Hills |
| 38. Cold Bay | 94. Kobuk | 149. Pilot Point | 205. Two Rivers |
| 39. Cooper Landing | 95. Kokhanok | 150. Pilot Station | 206. Tyonek |
| 40. Copper Center | 96. Koliganek | 151. Pitka's Point | 207. Unalakleet |
| 41. Craig | 97. Kongiganak | 152. Platinum | 208. Unalaska |
| 42. Crooked Creek | 98. Kotlik | 153. Point Hope | 209. Upper Kalskag |
| 43. Danger Bay | 99. Koyuk | 154. Point Lay | 210. Venetie |
| 44. Deering | 100. Koyukuk | 155. Port Alexander | 211. Voznesenka |
| 45. Delta Junction | 101. Kwethluk | 156. Port Alsworth | 212. Wainwright |
| 46. Delta Junction | 102. Kwigillingok | 157. Port Graham | 213. Wales |
| 47. Delta Junction | 103. Larsen Bay | 158. Port Heiden | 214. Whale Pass |
| 48. Diomede | 104. Levelock | 159. Port Lions | 215. White Mountain |
| 49. Dot Lake | 105. Lime Village | 160. Port Protection | 216. Whittier |
| 50. Eagle | 106. Lower Kalskag | 161. Portage Creek | 217. Willow |
| 51. Eek | 107. Manley Hot Springs | 162. Quinhagak | 218. Wrangell |
| 52. Egegik | 108. Manokotak | 163. Red Devil | 219. Wrangell |
| 53. Ekwok | 109. Marshall | 164. Ruby | 220. Wrangell |
| 54. Elim | 110. Mekoryuk | 165. Russian Mission | 221. Y |
| 55. Emmonak | 111. Mentasta Lake | 166. Saint George | 222. Yakutat |
| 56. False Pass | | 167. Saint Mary's | |

Migration and School Enrollment Changes

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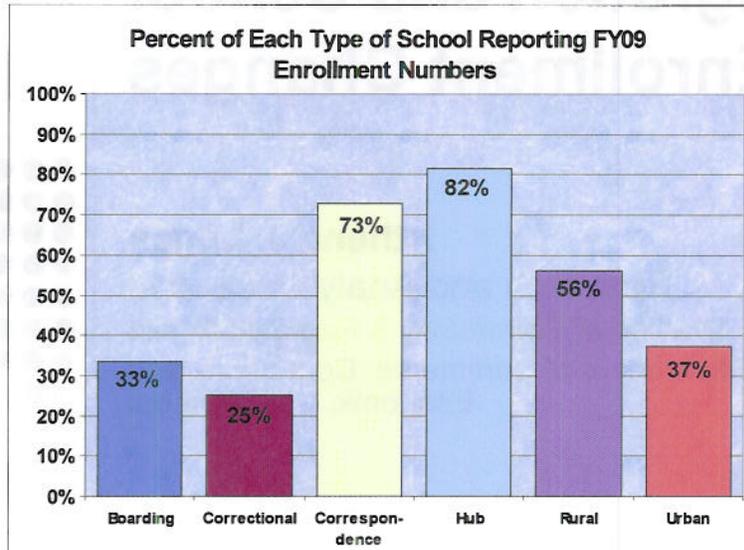


Types of Schools in Alaska

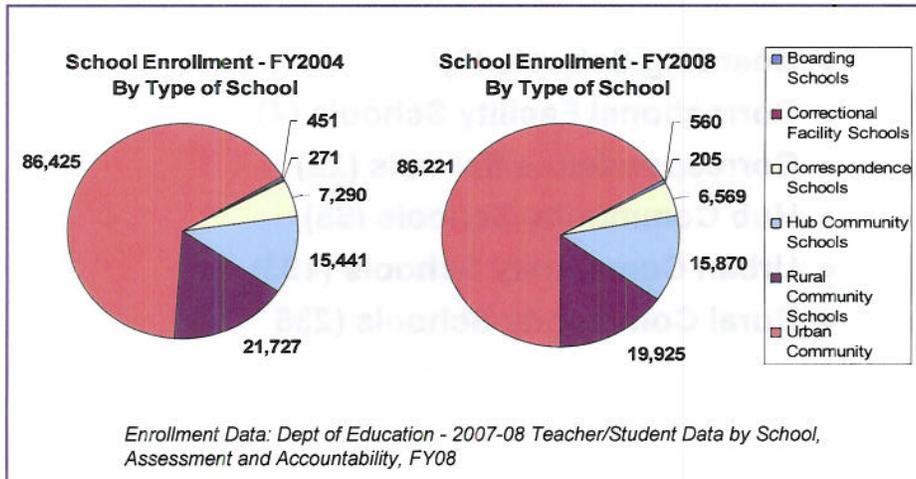
- **Boarding Schools (3)**
- **Correctional Facility Schools (4)**
- **Correspondence Schools (22)**
- **Hub Community Schools (65)**
- **Urban Community Schools (193)**
- **Rural Community Schools (236)**



Preliminary Enrollment FY09 (54% of Schools Reporting)



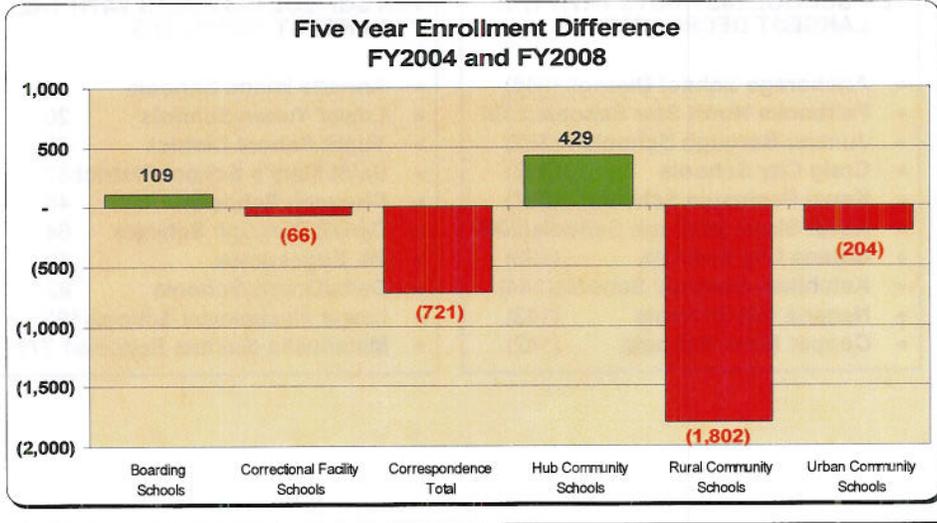
Schools by Type FY04 to FY08



School Enrollment FY2004 to FY2008



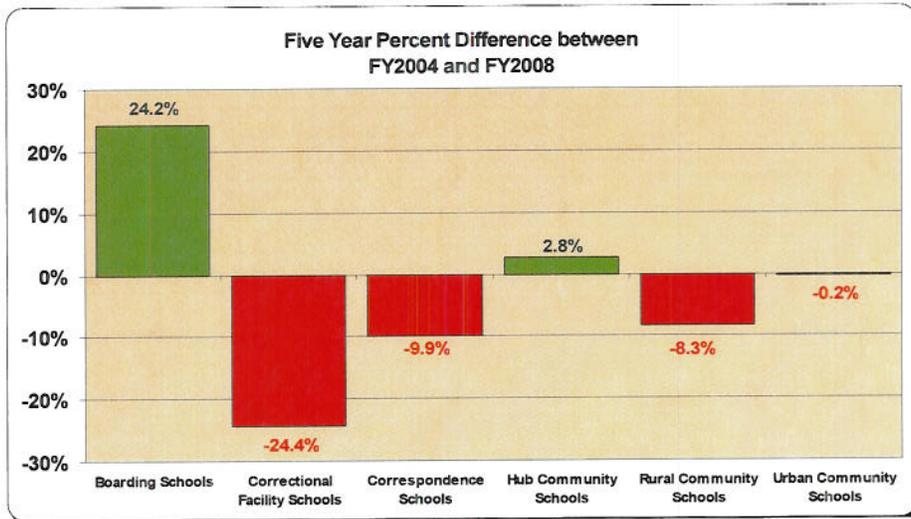
- Overall Alaska School Districts experienced a decrease of 2,255 students.



What were the percentage differences in enrollment between FY04 and FY08?



- Overall Alaska School Districts experienced a two percent decrease in students.



School Districts with the Largest Differences (between FY04 and FY09)



TEN SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH THE LARGEST DECREASES

- Anchorage School District (946)
- Fairbanks North Star Schools(579)
- Juneau Borough Schools (387)
- Craig City Schools (223)
- Kenai Peninsula Schools (207)
- North Slope Borough Schools(204)
- Galena City Schools (193)
- Ketchikan Gateway Schools(144)
- Nenana City Schools (143)
- Copper River Schools (142)

TEN SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH THE LARGEST INCREASES

- Annette Island Schools 2
- Lower Yukon Schools 20
- Yupiit School District 33
- Saint Mary's School District 37
- Chugach Schools 46
- Denali Borough Schools 64
- Mt. Edgecumbe 69
- Delta/Greely Schools 82
- Lower Kuskokwim Schools 193
- Matanuska-Susitna Schools 1,777



OceansAlaska

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Population decline. All of coastal Alaska is in need of new environmentally and economically sustainable jobs to counter a declining population base. The recent population projections by the Alaska Department of Labor paint a dire picture. In Southeast Alaska the population, outside of Juneau, dropped (11%) from 1996 – 2006. And, the projection for the next 25 years, (2006 – 2030) is a further drop of an additional (17%). From 1996 through 2030 the population outside of Juneau will decline by 30%. Most of this is due to migration based on lack of viable jobs. It can be turned around.

Creation of new jobs needed. The question is how to do it. There is no single answer. It will require a combination of efforts on a wide front to add jobs, “one job at a time”. The strategy of waiting for the single big industrial activity to appear and create hundreds of jobs is risky. We need a strategy and plan that works simultaneously on all fronts.

One of the opportunities is through the creation of a shellfish industry. Coastal Alaska has clean water, clean habitat and presents a great environment to grow and harvest shellfish in an environmentally sustainable manner. This is both a great opportunity and a great challenge from a policy perspective.

The industry needs new entrants. It needs more people involved in the business. And, new entrants need training and support to help them succeed in creating new jobs. This is the connection of workforce development with economic development.

OceansAlaska (a Ketchikan based non profit) took the lead in examining the business opportunity and published “**Tipping the Balance: Bringing Alaska’s Shellfish Industry to the Takeoff Point**” in 2006. This work looked at the growth of the shellfish industry from \$7 million to \$50 million (ex-vessel / farm gate) within 20 years and the creation of 200 – 400 new jobs.

This was followed with the development of a strategic plan, “**Tipping the Balance: Removing the Barriers**” published January 2008. The plan identifies several key strategies to use research, development and training to support the growth of the shellfish industry.

This is a great opportunity for the governmental and non governmental organizations that care about the economic issues of southeast Alaska to participate in the creation of an environmentally sustainable economy that will develop a local base of jobs.

We have a plan we have highly motivated existing participants, we have a great opportunity to develop and grow a new industry in coastal Alaska. This will be an industry that will create new economically and environmentally sustainable jobs that exist on a year around basis.

To make this a reality it will take a concerted and focused effort at the policy level of local, state and national government. It will take support in the state and federal operating and capital budget to implement and sustain the needed research, training and development. The private sector will invest the equity capital and debt if there is an opportunity to create a profitable business.

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Alaska Population, 2006 to 2030

By Region, Borough and Census Area

	1996	2006	2010	2020	2030	Percentage Change 2006 to 2030	Percentage Change 1996 to 2030
State of Alaska	605,212	670,053	698,573	771,465	838,676	25.2%	34.8%
Anchorage/ Mat-Su Region	303,601	359,987	377,651	433,588	488,553	35.7%	51.4%
Municipality of Anchorage	253,234	282,813	293,323	322,087	350,871	24.1%	34.5%
Matanuska-Susitna Borough	50,367	77,174	84,328	111,501	137,682	78.4%	113.1%
Gulf Coast Region	71,275	74,611	77,107	80,920	82,286	10.3%	14.8%
Kenai Peninsula Borough	46,654	51,350	53,607	57,883	60,268	17.4%	26.5%
Kodiak Island Borough	14,158	13,506	13,477	13,058	12,255	-9.3%	-14.1%
Valdez-Cordova Census Area	10,463	9,755	10,023	9,979	9,763	0.8%	-7.2%
Interior Region	96,447	102,276	107,416	117,026	125,422	22.6%	28.3%
Denali Borough	1,906	1,795	1,786	1,676	1,536	-14.4%	-20.6%
Fairbanks North Star Borough	81,883	87,849	92,868	101,973	110,131	25.4%	32.2%
Southeast Fairbanks Census Area	6,290	6,772	6,863	7,782	8,644	27.6%	34.8%
Yukon-Koyukuk Census Area	6,368	5,860	5,899	5,595	5,111	-12.8%	-21.5%
Northern Region	22,734	23,676	24,904	27,607	30,372	28.3%	32.3%
Nome Census Area	9,079	9,535	9,902	10,908	12,024	26.1%	30.9%
North Slope Borough	7,111	6,807	7,291	8,095	8,867	30.3%	25.8%
Northwest Arctic Borough	6,544	7,334	7,711	8,604	9,481	29.3%	40.0%
Southeast Region	73,706	70,053	70,315	68,335	65,073	-7.1%	-12.3%
Haines Borough	2,352	2,241	2,095	1,854	1,571	-29.9%	-34.9%
Juneau Borough	29,230	30,650	31,691	32,252	32,260	5.3%	9.9%
Ketchikan Gateway Borough	14,654	13,174	12,836	12,088	11,095	-15.8%	-27.0%
POW-Outer Ketchikan Census Area	6,996	5,477	5,261	4,658	3,894	-28.9%	-56.6%
Sitka Borough	8,650	8,833	8,964	8,864	8,658	-2.0%	0.1%
Skagway-Hoonah-Angoon Census Area	3,823	3,020	2,862	2,415	1,945	-35.6%	-62.2%
Wrangell-Petersburg Census Area	7,202	6,024	5,960	5,580	5,076	-15.7%	-35.3%
Yakutat Borough	799	634	646	624	574	-9.5%	-35.5%
Southwest Region	37,449	39,450	41,180	43,989	46,970	19.1%	24.1%
Aleutians East Borough	2,205	2,643	2,675	2,676	2,632	-0.4%	16.2%
Aleutians West Census Area	5,710	4,810	5,169	4,944	4,665	-3.0%	-21.7%
Bethel Census Area	15,311	17,031	17,774	19,457	21,354	25.4%	35.5%
Bristol Bay Borough	1,230	1,060	1,169	1,152	1,120	5.7%	-10.4%
Dillingham Census Area	4,476	4,796	4,897	5,181	5,408	12.8%	19.4%
Lake and Peninsula Borough	1,810	1,557	1,586	1,510	1,364	-12.4%	-28.6%
Wade Hampton Census Area	6,707	7,553	7,910	9,069	10,427	38.1%	49.3%

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