

Persistence and Poverty

Office of Institutional Effectiveness

Hypotheses

- 1. There is a disproportionately high percentage of single mothers in the Barstow area.
- 2. Due to the lack of training and education, a majority of these single-mother families are living in poverty.
- 3. In order to make a living and support their families, post-secondary education often becomes a lower priority.
- 4. As a result, we see a lower persistence among 20-24 year-old females.

Marital Status

- There are no significant differences between Barstow and statewide in marital status
- Males are almost identical
- There are about 5% more married females statewide as compared to Barstow.

Subject	California				Barstow city, California			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
MARITAL STATUS								
Males 15 years and over	14,662,725	+/-888	14,662,725	(X)	8,770	+/-497	8,770	(X)
Never married	5,778,554	+/-18,439	39.4%	+/-0.1	3,367	+/-411	38.4%	+/-3.9
Now married, except separated	7,123,855	+/-25,342	48.6%	+/-0.2	3,953	+/-377	45.1%	+/-4.0
Separated	276,146	+/-4,522	1.9%	+/-0.1	246	+/-146	2.8%	+/-1.7
Widowed	311,362	+/-3,405	2.1%	+/-0.1	352	+/-151	4.0%	+/-1.7
Divorced	1,172,808	+/-8,964	8.0%	+/-0.1	852	+/-261	9.7%	+/-2.9
Females 15 years and over	15,037,359	+/-728	15,037,359	(X)	8,870	+/-460	8,870	(X)
Never married	4,819,717	+/-15,854	32.1%	+/-0.1	2,871	+/-393	32.4%	+/-3.8
Now married, except separated	6,913,168	+/-22,148	46.0%	+/-0.1	3,711	+/-358	41.8%	+/-3.9
Separated	407,537	+/-5,248	2.7%	+/-0.1	215	+/-107	2.4%	+/-1.2
Widowed	1,221,077	+/-6,202	8.1%	+/-0.1	710	+/-221	8.0%	+/-2.4
Divorced	1,675,860	+/-8,922	11.1%	+/-0.1	1,363	+/-272	15.4%	+/-3.1

Fertility

- Unmarried women between 15 and 50 who had a birth in the last 12 months
- Statewide: 32.6%
- Barstow: 66.9%

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FERTILITY								
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	531,999	+/-6,056	531,999	(X)	341	+/-174	341	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	173,581	+/-2,847	32.6%	+/-0.5	228	+/-127	66.9%	+/-21.8
Per 1,000 unmarried women	34	+/-1	(X)	(X)	66	+/-36	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	56	+/-1	(X)	(X)	57	+/-29	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	24	+/-1	(X)	(X)	37	+/-38	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	93	+/-1	(X)	(X)	92	+/-52	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	31	+/-1	(X)	(X)	33	+/-38	(X)	(X)

Economic Status

- Families with children under age 5, living below poverty level
 - Statewide: 15.1% Barstow: 45.7%
- Single-mother families with children under age 5, living below poverty level
 - Statewide: 39.3% Barstow: 67.8%

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PERCENTAGE OF FAMILIES AND PEOPLE WHOSE INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS IS BELOW THE POVERTY LEVEL								
All families	(X)	(X)	11.5%	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)	21.6%	+/-4.7
With related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	17.0%	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)	31.5%	+/-7.4
With related children under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	15.1%	+/-0.3	(X)	(X)	45.7%	+/-18.1
Married couple families	(X)	(X)	6.9%	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)	8.3%	+/-3.7
With related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	10.0%	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)	8.8%	+/-5.2
With related children under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	6.8%	+/-0.3	(X)	(X)	11.7%	+/-12.9
Families with female householder, no husband present	(X)	(X)	26.6%	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)	55.3%	+/-11.0
With related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	35.6%	+/-0.3	(X)	(X)	63.9%	+/-12.0
With related children under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	39.3%	+/-0.9	(X)	(X)	67.8%	+/-26.1
All people	(X)	(X)	15.3%	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)	24.3%	+/-4.5
Under 18 years	(X)	(X)	21.3%	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)	32.4%	+/-7.5
Related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	20.9%	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)	32.1%	+/-7.5
Related children under 5 years	(X)	(X)	23.0%	+/-0.3	(X)	(X)	41.5%	+/-14.0
Related children 5 to 17 years	(X)	(X)	20.2%	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)	26.6%	+/-7.3
18 years and over	(X)	(X)	13.3%	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)	21.0%	+/-3.8
18 to 64 years	(X)	(X)	14.0%	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)	22.8%	+/-4.1
65 years and over	(X)	(X)	9.5%	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)	9.9%	+/-4.8
People in families	(X)	(X)	13.0%	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)	23.0%	+/-5.1
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	(X)	(X)	25.9%	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)	30.4%	+/-6.6

Persistence

- % students who enrolled in first 3 consecutive terms.
- There is a >10% drop from the "Under 20" age group and the "20-24" group.

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Persistence

Percentage of degree, certificate and/or transfer-seeking students starting first time in 2007-08 tracked for six years through 2012-13 who enrolled in the first three consecutive terms.

COLLEGE PREPARED			UNPREPARED FOR COLLEGE			OVERALL		
53.1%			52.5%			52.5%		
Gender	%		Gender	%		Gender	%	
FEMALE	58.6		FEMALE	52.7		FEMALE	53.4	
MALE	45.0		MALE	52.6		MALE	51.6	
Age	%		Age	%		Age	%	
UNDER 20	50.0		UNDER 20	56.8		UNDER 20	55.7	
20-24	50.0*		20-24	44.3		20-24	44.9	
25-39	50.0*		25-39	46.0		25-39	46.2	
40 OR OVER	80.0*		40 OR OVER	73.9		40 OR OVER	75.0	

References

- California Community College Chancellor's Office – 2014 Student Success Scorecard (scorecard.cccco.edu)
- US Census Bureau – American Fact Finder (factfinder2.census.gov)