State of the Hispanic Education Climate in Idaho

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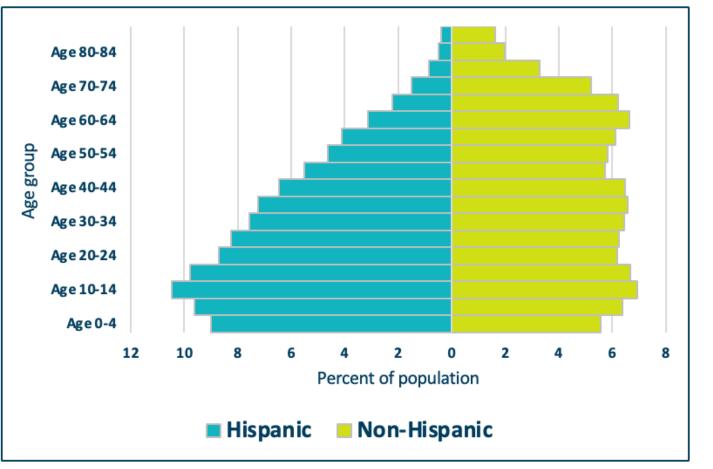
Statewide 252,000 Hispanics are the largest and fastest growing minority group, representing 14% of the total.



Poverty

Rates are higher among the state's Hispanic children under age 18, with 29% living in poverty Percent of Hispanic and non-Hispanic Idahoans 2021

Hispanic youth under age 5 22,068



As of 2021, 39% of Idaho Hispanics were under age 20, compared to 26% among non-Hispanics. In contrast, only 5% of Hispanics were 65 and older, compared to 18% of non-Hispanics.

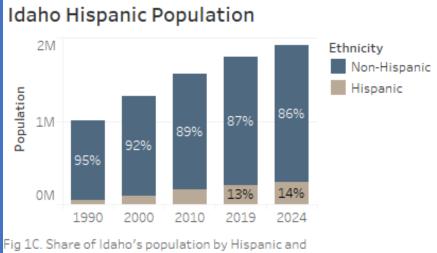


Fig 1C. Share of Idaho's population by Hispanic a Non-Hispanic ethnicities.





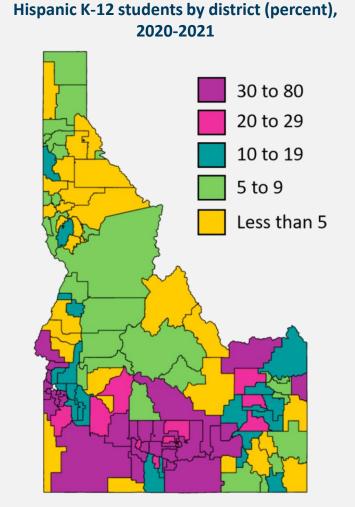
Rural Idaho Schools

Statewide Hispanic student population is 19% of K-12

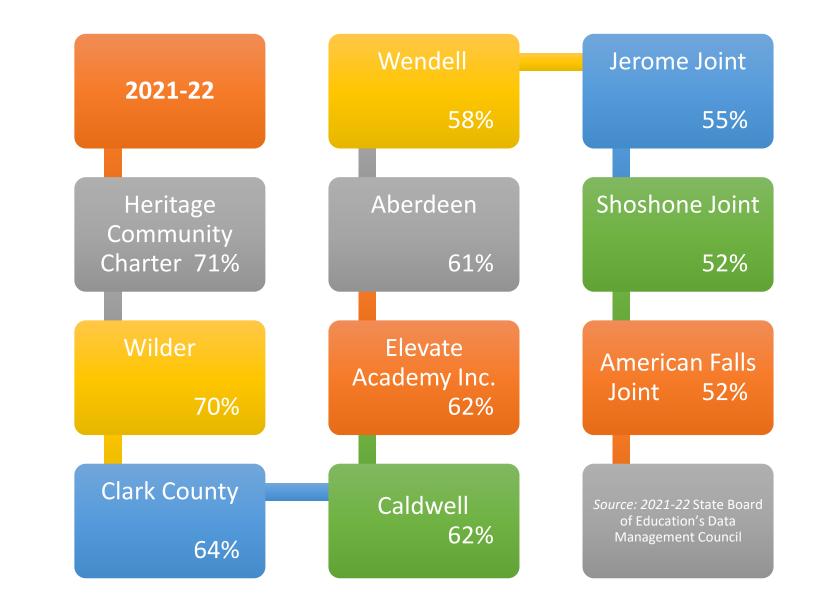
K-12 public school enrollment

Idaho's 58,000 Hispanic students made up 19% of public-school enrollment in the 2020-2021 school year, up from 18% nine years earlier.

Like the overall Hispanic population, Hispanic K-12 students are concentrated in southern Idaho in 2020-21:



Top ten school districts with highest Hispanic student population





Hispanic population poses challenges for our Public-School Districts

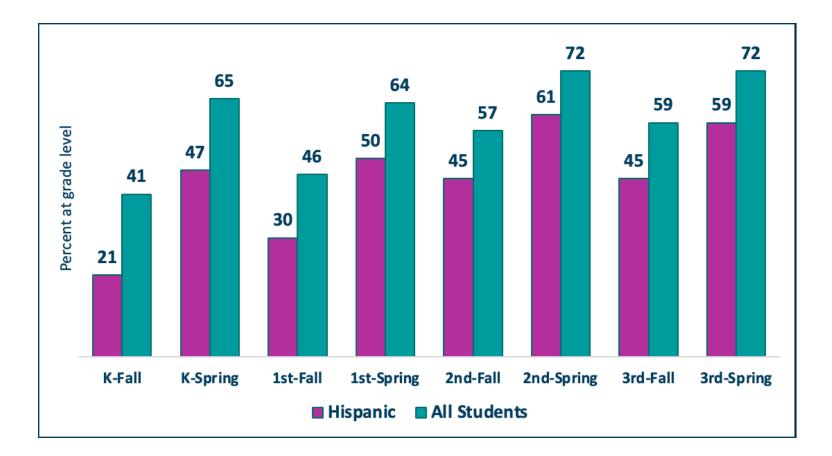
Non-Hispanic Students Outperform Hispanic Students on Both K-12 Achievement Tests

2022 Fall IRI All Grades Composite Rates



- Tier 1 is at grade level (the desired tier)- above the 40th%ile
- Tier 2 is near grade level- between the 21st%ile and 40th%ile
- Tier 3 is below grade level- below the 20th%ile.

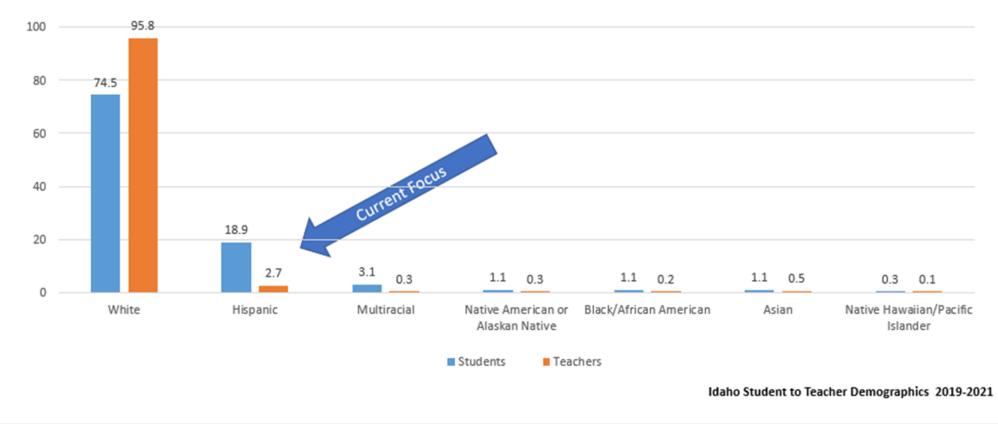
Idaho K-3 students reading at grade level, Hispanic compared to all students, fall 2021 and spring 2022



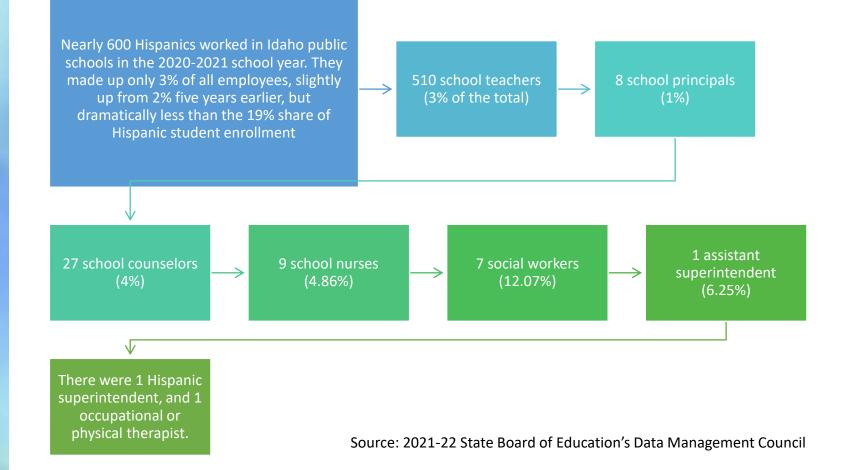
More school districts lost non-Hispanic students than lost Hispanic students: 69 districts lost non-Hispanic students and 55 lost Hispanic students.

Our Next Challenge: Recruiting and Retaining Teachers of Color

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Hispanic Make up a Small Share of Public-School Personnel

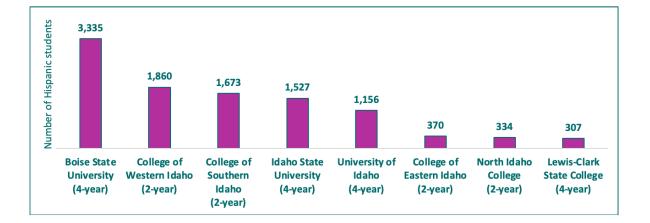


In 2021-22 9,843 Hispanic students made up 16% of Idaho's total postsecondary enrollment. This an increase from 2018, when Hispanic students made up 10% of total enrollment.

From 2014 to 2021, the go-on rate decreased across all groups except for Hispanic females in Idaho.



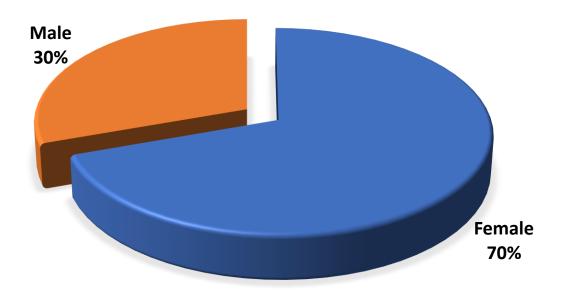
Hispanic enrollment at public postsecondary institutions in Idaho, 2021

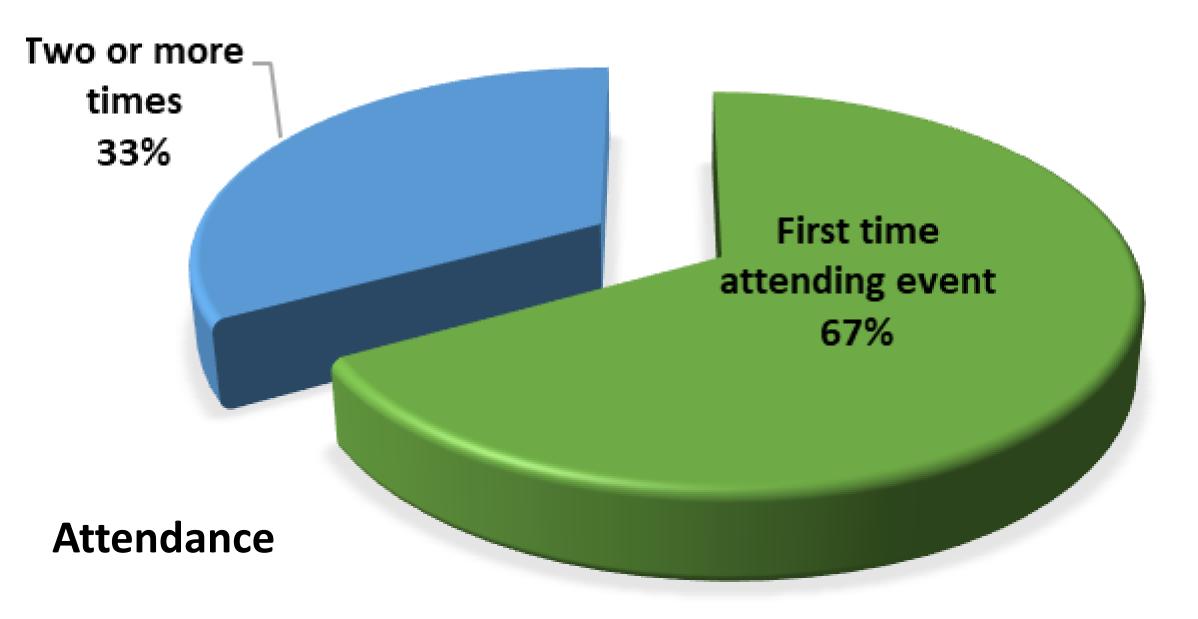




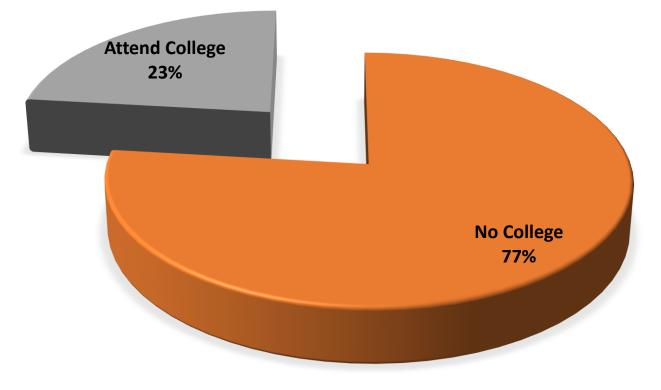
Hispanic Youth Leadership Summit 2023

2,800 participants, 1,900 had a change in attitude about going onto college by end of the Conference



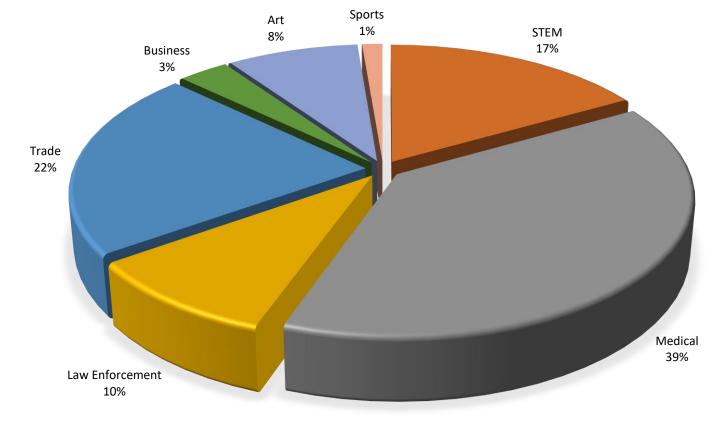


% of Parents who attended college



The students responding to the post-summit survey reported that they would like to learn more about

Field of interest



- The events have been held in the Treasure Valley for the last 18 years. The summits attract students and school leaders from over 94 schools to celebrate our heritage and further empower our communities. The Commission's summit is the largest gathering of Hispanic youth in the state of Idaho.
- FY2023 over \$7,000,000 in scholarships were awarded





Top Challenges at the Forefront

- 1. Testing scores
- 2. Addressing academic achievement gaps
- Increasing Bilingual/Bicultural Educators
- 4. Representation on School Boards



Thank you on behalf of the Idaho Commission on Hispanic Affairs

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