

MAINE DATA SUPPLEMENT
HOUSE SEAT # 21

SOME OF THE DATA FOR THIS STUDY WERE COLLECTED AT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT LEVEL. OTHER DATA ITEMS WERE COLLECTED AT THE MUNICIPAL LEVEL. IN ORDER TO MAKE COMPARISONS BETWEEN DATA ITEMS, YOU WILL BE PROVIDED WITH DATA FOR ALL THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS EITHER WHOLLY OR PARTIALLY CONTAINED IN YOUR SENATE OR HOUSE DISTRICT AND ALL THE MUNICIPALITIES CONTAINED THEREIN.

THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND TOWNS IN HOUSE SEAT # 21 INCLUDE:
 (DISTRICTS) (TOWNS)

- 1. PORTLAND PORTLAND

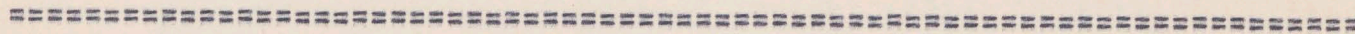
I. GENERAL ENROLLMENT TRENDS
 A. OVERALL ENROLLMENT

THE ENROLLMENT TRENDS FOR YOUR DISTRICT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

DISTRICT	TOTAL ENROLLMENT BY YEARS				% CHANGE 72-76
	1972-73	1973-74	1974-75	1975-76	
PORTLAND	12752.0	12237.0	11794.0	11415.0	-10.5%
STATE AVERAGES	982.3	982.9	889.4	972.6	

THE AVERAGE GROWTH RATE FOR YOUR SEAT'S DISTRICTS IS -10.48%

THE ABOVE TABLE INDICATES THAT SCHOOLS IN YOUR DISTRICT HAVE BEEN DECLINING AT A RATE WHICH IS SUBSTANTIALLY BELOW THE STATE AVERAGE.



B. ENROLLMENT TRENDS FOR PRIMARY GRADES(K-8)

THE ENROLLMENT TRENDS FOR YOUR DISTRICT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

DISTRICT	ENROLLMENT IN PRIMARY GRADES BY YEARS				% CHANGE 72-76
	1972-73	1973-74	1974-75	1975-76	
PORTLAND	8986.0	8597.0	8236.0	7859.0	-12.5%
STATE AVERAGES	666.9	646.5	646.7	632.9	

THE AVERAGE GROWTH RATE FOR YOUR SEAT'S DISTRICTS IS -12.54%

THE ABOVE TABLE INDICATES THAT SCHOOLS IN YOUR DISTRICT HAVE BEEN DECLINING AT A RATE WHICH IS SOMEWHAT BELOW THE STATE AVERAGE.

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C. ENROLLMENT TRENDS FOR SECONDARY GRADES(9-12)

THE ENROLLMENT TRENDS FOR YOUR DISTRICT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

DISTRICT	ENROLLMENT FOR SECONDARY GRADES BY YEARS				% CHANGE 72-76
	1972-73	1973-74	1974-75	1975-76	
PORTLAND	3766.0	3640.0	3558.0	3556.0	-5.6%
STATE AVERAGES	290.8	294.7	301.9	302.2	

THE AVERAGE GROWTH RATE FOR YOUR SEAT'S DISTRICTS IS -5.58%

THE ABOVE TABLE INDICATES THAT SCHOOLS IN YOUR DISTRICT HAVE BEEN DECLINING AT A RATE WHICH IS SOMEWHAT BELOW THE STATE AVERAGE.

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D. PUPIL STAFF RATIOS 1973 AND 1976

DISTRICTS	TOTAL STAFF		TOTAL ENROLLMT		PUPIL/STAFF RATIO	
	1973	1976	1973	1976	1973	1976
PORTLAND	702	665	12752	11415	18.17	17.17
DISTRICT AVERAGES	702	665	12752	11415	18.17	17.17
STATE AVERAGES	61	66	982	973	25.2	22.5

THE ABOVE TABLE INDICATES THAT PUPIL STAFF RATIOS IN YOUR DISTRICT WERE SUBSTANTIALLY BELOW THE STATE AVERAGE IN 1973 AND WERE SUBSTANTIALLY BELOW THE STATE AVERAGE IN 1976.

II. WEALTH AND PROPERTY VALUE CHARACTERISTICS

A. PER PUPIL PROPERTY VALUATIONS

PER PUPIL STATE VALUATIONS FOR THE SCHOOLS IN YOUR DISTRICT WERE:

DISTRICT	PER PUPIL STATE VALUATIONS (IN \$00S)				% CHANGE		
	1973	1974	1975	1976	73-74	74-75	75-76
PORTLAND	424	483	543	599	13.74	12.45	10.34
DISTRICT AVERAGES	424	483	543	599	13.74	12.45	10.34

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B. ASSESSMENT RATIO CHARACTERISTICS

THE CERTIFIED ASSESSMENT RATIOS FOR THE CITIES AND TOWNS IN YOUR LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT ARE:

CITY OR TOWN	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976
PORTLAND	67	64	60	100	90	86
DISTRICT AVERAGES	67.00	64.00	60.00	100.00	90.00	86.00
STATE AVERAGES	50.04	50.25	50.84	51.18	53.56	68.62

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C. ASSESSMENT RATIOS BY LAND USE CLASSES

THE 1976 CERTIFIED ASSESSMENT RATIOS FOR THE CITIES AND TOWNS IN YOUR LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT FOR RESIDENTIAL, VACANT, FARM AND SEASONAL PROPERTY:

CITY OR TOWN	RESIDENTIAL		FARM	SEASONAL	VACANT
	URBAN	RURAL	PROPERTY	PROPERTY	PROPERTY
PORTLAND	144	NA	NA	55	NA
DISTRICT AVERAGES	144.00	.00	.00	55.00	.00
STATE AVERAGES	58.81	45.73	47.09	43.59	35.43

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D. ASSESSMENT QUALITY

THE MAINE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION COMPUTES A STATISTIC MEASURING THE QUALITY OF THE PROPERTY ASSESSMENT FOR ALL CITIES AND TOWNS IN THE STATE. THE STATISTIC MEASURES HOW UNIFORM THE ASSESSMENT RATIOS ARE IN YOUR CITY AND TOWN. THE GREATER THE VARIATION IN THE ASSESSMENT RATIOS, THE LOWER THE QUALITY OF ASSESSMENT. THE ASSESSMENT QUALITY SCALE SHOULD BE INTERPRETED AS FOLLOWS:

ASSESSMENT QUALITY STATISTIC	TYPE OF ASSESSMENT QUALITY
0-10	EXCELLENT ASSESSMENT
11-15	GOOD ASSESSMENT
16-20	FAIR ASSESSMENT
21-25	QUESTIONABLE ASSESSMENT
26-35	POOR ASSESSMENT
OVER 35	VERY POOR ASSESSMENT

TOWN OR CITY	CERT. ASSESSMENT RATIO 1976	AVG ASSESSMENT RATIO	ASSESSMENT QUALITY
PORTLAND	86	140	16
DISTRICT AVERAGES	86.0	140.0	16.0
STATE AVERAGES	69	43	71

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E. EQUALIZED TAX RATE TRENDS 1972-1976

THE EQUALIZED OR "TRUE" TAX RATES FOR THE CITIES AND TOWNS IN YOUR DISTRICT WERE AS FOLLOWS:

CITY OR TOWN	1972	TOTAL TAXES DIVIDED BY THE STATE VALUATION RATES					
		1973	1975	1976	72/73	75/76	72/76
PORTLAND	.0393	.0376	.0333	.0342	-4.18	2.64	-12.89
DISTRICT AVERAGE	.0393	.0376	.0333	.0342	-4.18	2.64	-12.89
STATE AVERAGES	.0276	.0272	.0228	.0142	-3.37	-5.79	-29.54

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F. EQUALIZED SCHOOL TAX RATES 1973-1976

THE EQUALIZED OR "TRUE" SCHOOL TAX RATE FOR THE SCHOOLS IN YOUR LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT WERE:

SCHOOL DISTRICT	EQUALIZED OR "TRUE" SCHOOL TAX RATE				% CHANGE 73-76
	72-73	73-74	74-75	75-76	
PORTLAND	.01698	.01754	.01525	.01584	-6.74%
DISTRICT AVERAGES	.01698	.01754	.01525	.01584	-6.74%
STATE AVERAGES	.01725	.01392	.01602	.01551	

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G. SCHOOL AND NON-SCHOOL TAX LEVELS 1972-1976

THE LEVELS OF SCHOOL AND NON SCHOOL TAX SPENDING IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN YOUR LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS WERE:

SCHOOL DISTRICT	IN 000'S OF \$\$								% CHANGE 73-76	
	NON-SCHOOL TAXES				SCHOOL TAXES					
	1973	1974	1975	1976	1973	1974	1975	1976	NON-SCH	SCHL
PORTLAND	11550.	11903.	10689.	13570.	9186.	9487.	8253.	10135.	17.5	10.3
DISTRICT AVERAGES	11550.	11903.	10689.	13570.	9186.	9487.	8253.	10135.	17.5	10.3
STATE AVERAGES	374.	379.	384.	448.	443.	440.	452.	523.	21.3	80.7

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H. ELDERLY TAX RELIEF

THE STATE OF MAINE PROVIDES PROPERTY TAX RELIEF PAYMENTS TO ELDERLY HOMEOWNERS AND RENTERS THAT HAVE EXCESSIVE PROPERTY TAX BURDENS. IN 1973 AND 1976, STATE PAYMENTS TO THE CITIES AND TOWNS IN YOUR DISTRICT WERE AS FOLLOWS: (NA FOR CITIES WITH FEW RETURNS)

CITY OR TOWN	AVERAGE REFUND		REFUND AS A % OF ELERLY TAX		REFUNDS/ STATE VALUATION	
	1973	1976	1973	1976	1973	1976
PORTLAND	NA	\$233.	NA	74.43	NA	.0006
DISTRICT AVERAGES	\$0.	\$233.	.00	74.43	.0000	.0006
AVERAGE CITY	\$178.	\$181.	82.01	81.05	.0017	.0006

IV. SCHOOL REVENUE AND SPENDING DATA.

A. CURRENT AND INSTRUCTIONAL EXPENDITURES 1973-1976

CURRENT AND INSTRUCTIONAL EXPENDITURES FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN YOUR DISTRICT WERE AS FOLLOWS:

SCHOOL DISTRICT	CURRENT EXPENDITURES PER PUPIL				INSTRUCTIONAL EXPENDITURES PER PUPIL			
	1973	1974	1975	1976	1973	1974	1975	1976
PORTLAND	915	945	1087	1186	648	676	771	865
DISTRICT AVERAGES	915	945	1087	1186	648	676	771	865
STATE AVERAGES	671	760	831	907	428	474	519	566

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B. AMOUNT OF SPENDING DEDICATED TO INSTRUCTION 1973-1976

THE PERCENT OF CURRENT OPERATING EXPENDITURES DEVOTED TO INSTRUCTION IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN YOUR LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT WERE:

SCHOOL DISTRICT	% OF TOTAL EXPENDITURES DEVOTED TO INSTRUCTIONAL SALARIES				% CHANGE 1973-76
	1973	1974	1975	1976	
PORTLAND	65.43	66.74	66.13	68.37	4.50
DISTRICT AVERAGES	65.43	66.74	66.13	68.37	4.50
STATE AVERAGES	58.21	56.93	56.97	56.30	-1.52

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C. STAFF SALARY TRENDS 1972-1976

THE AVERAGE STAFF SALARIES IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN YOUR LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT WERE:

SCHOOL DISTRICT	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	PERCENT CHANGE	
						72-74	74-76
PORTLAND	10172	10592	10474	11672	12495	2.97%	19.30%
DISTRICT AVERAGES	10172	10592	10474	11672	12495	2.97%	19.30%
STATE AVERAGES	8284	8568	8852	9381	10099	6.85%	14.09%

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D. PROPERTY TAX REVENUES PER PUPIL: 1973-1976

THE PROPERTY TAX PER PUPIL RAISED BY THE SCHOOL UNITS IN YOUR LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT WERE AS FOLLOWS:

SCHOOL DISTRICT	PER PUPIL PROPERTY TAXES				PERCENT CHANGE		
	1973	1974	1975	1976	73-74	74-75	75-76
PORTLAND	720	775	700	12	7.62	-9.74	-98.31
DISTRICT AVERAGES	720	775	700	12	7.62	-9.74	-98.31

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E. STATE AID PER PUPIL 1973-1976

STATE AID TO THE SCHOOLS IN YOUR LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT WAS AS FOLLOWS:

SCHOOL DISTRICT	STATE OPERATING AID PER PUPIL				% CHANGE
	1973	1974	1975	1976	72-76
PORTLAND	214.02	184.43	222.98	275.70	28.82
DISTRICT AVERAGES	214.02	184.43	222.98	275.70	28.82
STATE AVERAGES	\$256	\$330	\$370	\$183	-314.43%

EVERY ATTEMPT WAS MADE TO INSURE THE ACCURACY OF THE PRECEDING TABLES. DATA WERE COLLECTED FROM SEVERAL SOURCES INCLUDING; THE FEDERAL OFFICE OF REVENUE SHARING, THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES, AND THE MAINE BUREAU OF TAXATION. THE DATA COVERS A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT UNITS (SCHOOL DISTRICTS, MUNICIPALITIES) AND SPANS A FOUR YEAR PERIOD. DUE TO THE CHANGING NATURE OF SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION IN MAINE, SOME DATA COMPARISONS ACROSS TIME MAY BE MISLEADING.