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About ACTION for Healthy Communities

ACTION for Healthy Communities is a cooperative, collaborative effort of individual agencies and organizations, public and private, that are committed to improving the overall quality of life of San Luis Obispo County. A list of those organizations involved with the collaborative effort is found in the Introduction to this report. ACTION completed its first benchmark study of community issues in 1999. This report represents the first time comparative results are available for a number of criteria that measure local community health and wellbeing.

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With headquarters on the Central Coast, Campbell Research has a stake in the region's quality of life. The ACTION for Healthy Communities project is a prime example of a comprehensive evaluation of the needs of the community. Its goal is to stimulate dialogue about growing trends and to devise informed strategies for shaping future policies and effective actions.

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Project Overview_

What is the quality of life like in San Luis Obispo County? Do residents feel safe? Are there enough employment opportunities? Do people feel they have access to good schools and services? Is our community healthy?

These are just a few of the questions that a consortium of public and private health, education, business, environmental, human service and civic organizations set out to answer when they began the ACTION for Healthy Communities project in the late 1990s. As defined, the project goals are:

- -Raise public awareness of human needs, changing trends, emerging issues and community problems;
- -Provide accurate, credible and valid information on an ongoing basis to human services planners and those providing funds;

- -Provide information for individual institutions to guide decision-making about creation, management, and redesign of programs;
- -Establish community goals using measurable Quality-of-Life Indicators that will lead to positive, healthy development for individuals, families and communities;
- -Develop and support collaborative action plans to achieve the community goals.

The first wave of data collection occurred in 1999. This 2001 survey represents the first follow-up, in which many of the measures have been re-examined for changes. In addition, results of the initial wave suggested new areas that could be examined.

ACTION for Healthy Communities will provide survey results and data to the community through this Comprehensive Report and a separate Indicators Report.

Introduction

ACTION for Healthy Communities believes that by sharing resources and working together, more comprehensive useful planning tools can be developed. ACTION also believes that a more comprehensive approach to assessing the quality of life in San Luis Obispo County will enable organizations that allocate resources to more effectively address critical community concerns.

In December 2000, ACTION selected Campbell Research, a non-profit social research firm, to conduct the assessment for San Luis Obispo County. The Comprehensive Report is considered one step in this comprehensive planning process. The next phase involves identifying goals and action plans.

ACTION celebrates the collaborative spirit of all individuals and organizations involved with this ongoing effort. We especially thank our financial sponsors for their support, encouragement and faith in the process.

Mission and Guiding Principles

The mission of ACTION is to "develop a comprehensive planning approach to identify and address community needs through collaborative efforts with community partners to implement effective programs that improve community health and well being."

ACTION has adopted these guiding principles:

- Long-term approach to planning and program development
- Creation of a collaborative planning mechanism
- Commitment to a community-driven process with consumer empowerment
- Assessment should result in identification of priorities and action plans

Desired Outcomes

ACTION has developed the following desired outcomes for this community assessment:

To study the community health and services that exist in order to:

- Provide accurate, credible and valid information on an ongoing basis to health and human service planners, policy makers, and funders concerning the creation, management and support of programs.
- 2. Encourage collaboration and partnerships to facilitate improved service delivery that is

- coordinated, holistic and consolidated within the community.
- 3. Set Community Indicators that can serve as the basis for the formulation of Community Goals that will lead to a community-wide vision and plan for improving community health.
- Re-assess key indicators every two years to track progress and to identify emerging gaps and resources so that strategies for responding to the gaps can be developed.

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The Community Assessment Process

This community assessment model provides a comprehensive view of the quality of life in San Luis Obispo County. It is based on primary (public opinion) data and secondary (empirical trend) data that are gathered for a series of

indicators in seven areas —basic needs, education, the economy, health, natural environment, public safety, and social environment. These components are described below.

Methodology_

Primary Data

Measures of community progress depend upon consistent, reliable, and scientifically accurate sources of data. One of the types of data gathered for this project is primary (public opinion) data. There is much to be learned from people's perception of their community, especially when perceptions contradict the empirical evidence about its conditions. For instance, in the area of public safety, crime rates may be going down while perceptions of danger are going up.

For this reason, in February 2001, Campbell Research conducted a random telephone survey of 809 county residents in both English and Spanish. Telephone numbers were randomly and proportionately selected from all valid exchanges in the County, including unlisted numbers. The intent of the survey is to be representative of the overall demographics of the county while ensuring representation of special population groups. Respondents are asked open-ended questions that elicit opinion as well as questions that present options to choose.

There is a 95% confidence that the opinions of survey respondents reflect those of the general population within approximately +/- 3.5%. It is important to note that all surveys have some inherent biases. This study's bias probably appears in the area of respondent self-selection and the capturing of opinion of those willing to contribute 17 minutes of their time to the community.

In many cases, questions used in the 1999 ACTION telephone survey were used for tracking purposes. That survey, fielded in March 1999, interviewed 534 County residents using the same random-sampling process.

In addition to the telephone surveying, a community survey was conducted by ACTION member organizations. These organizations surveyed their clients, patients, or members using a four-page, self-administered survey. These surveys enabled the project to explore in greater depth those groups that have special interests or needs, or who may be under-represented in the telephone survey (such as those who do not have a telephone or who have difficulty with their non-native language). Over 900 such surveys were collected. Copies of the telephone and community questionnaires are included in the Appendix of this report.

Secondary Data

Another type of data used for this project is secondary or empirical data. Secondary data is collected from a variety of sources including but not limited to: the U.S. Census, federal, state, and local government agencies, academic institutions, economic development groups, health care institutions, libraries, schools, local police, sheriff and fire departments and computerized sources through on-line databases and the internet.

Data Report

Every two years, the primary and secondary data will be compiled into a Data Report. The intent of this report is to provide an in-depth look at all aspects of life in San Luis Obispo County. Ethnicity, income, senior and geographic breakdowns have been incorporated in many of the primary data items as well. Please refer to the legend for explanations of frequently used symbols and notations throughout the report.

Legend_

Some survey responses are reported by geographic sub-areas. Those sub-areas are organized as follows:

North County Adelaide, Atascadero, California Valley, Camp Roberts, Cholame, Creston, Lake Nacimiento, Paso Robles, Pozo, San Miguel, Santa Margarita, Shandon, Templeton, Welsona, Whitley Gardens

North Coast Baywood, Cambria, Cayucos, Harmony, Los Osos, Morro Bay, San Simeon

San Luis Obispo City of San Luis Obispo, Avila Beach

South County Arroyo Grande, Grover Beach, Halcyon, Huasna, Nipomo, Oceano, Pismo Beach, Shell Beach

% Change Describes change in value between the current and previous year data

The Denotes a telephone survey question

Suggested Uses of this Report_

Because the scope of this project is so broad it may take a while to become familiar with the data and format of the report. The tips shown below are offered to make the report more useful to the user.

For a Broad Overview of Quality of Life Issues in San Luis Obispo County

It is best to review the first page of each of the seven sections of the report—basic needs, education, the economy, health, natural environment, public safety, and social environment. Each of these sections begins with a summary of the research area.

For Information About Trends that May Impact Your Business or Organization

Within each of the seven research areas there is a wealth of information on a wide range of issues. One of the most useful features of this report is the display of trend data, where it is available. A tremendous amount of detailed information can be found that may help identify new customers or emerging needs, or explain changes in the local

environment that will have future impacts. In selected areas, demographic breakdowns of data, most commonly by ethnicity, income, seniors or geographic areas have been included.

For Data to Support or Refine Your Services and Products

This information is intended to be used in your own reports and proposals, and as a baseline for performance systems. Whenever report data is used, ACTION should be acknowledged. ACTION representatives are available to speak with groups about the information in this report.

Supplementary Reports Available

In addition to this Comprehensive Report, an Indicators Report is available which highlights and provides analysis of over 42 key Quality of Life Indicators. Separate detailed computer tabulations of the 2001 telephone survey and community surveys are available, as well as, computer tables comparing 1999 and 2001 survey results. These are available from ACTION at nominal prices.

ACTION for Healthy Communities

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Basic Needs Issues

When basic needs go unmet, few other quality-oflife issues seem to matter. Among these key needs are food, shelter, clothing and medical care.

Most San Luis Obispo residents know that affordable housing is a problem in the county, but primary and secondary research reveals the extent of the problem and how rapidly the situation is changing.

Rising home prices are a boon to homeowners but a bane to those seeking to move from renting to owning. From 1999 to 2000, the median home price in San Luis Obispo County rose 22%, far outpacing increases in income.

As a result, affordability has plummeted. In 1998, a family earning the median household income could purchase 42 % of the homes in San Luis Obispo County. That figure dropped to 33% in 1999, then plunged to 18% in 2000 – meaning that the average family cannot afford to purchase four out of five homes in the county.

Before the most recent drop, San Luis Obispo was already considered the eighth least-affordable U.S.

housing market (factoring in both home prices and wages). Now the county has taken over sixth place in that category (with the top five markets all in Northern California).

Two-thirds of county residents spend at least a third of their income on housing, and nearly 50% spend half of their income (or more) on housing. Both of these figures are up substantially since 1999. Fifty-six percent of survey respondents indicate they are "very concerned" about housing costs.

One glimmer of good news on the housing front is that rental rates are stable, rising only 2.2%, on average, in 2000.

With so much income going toward housing, less is available for other basic needs. One in 12 residents indicated they went without a basic need in the past year. Among key subgroups, 17% of low-income households report going without a basic need, as do 13% of Hispanics and 4% of seniors.

A1 Basic Needs

Telephone Survey Results

In any given month, do you have to go without basic needs such as food, clothing, childcare, housing or health care?

	1999		2001	
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	42	7.7	69	8.5
No	500	92.3	739	91.5
Total	542	100.0	808	100.0

Source: 1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Surveys.



Responses, by Respondent Type

	1999		2001	
Respondent	Yes	No	Yes	No
Respondents with income less than \$15,000	24.6	75.4	17.1	82.9
Seniors 55 and older	2.6	97.4	3.9	96.1
Latino	14.1	85.9	12.8	87.2

Source: 1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

A1 Basic Needs, continued

Telephone Survey Results

If yes, what do you go without? (Top 3 responses)

	1999		2001	
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Health Care (including	20	51.3	36	52.9
prescriptions)				
Food	14	35.9	21	30.9
Clothing	5	12.8	20	29.4



Responses, by Respondent Type

1999

Respondent	% Saying Food	% Saying Health Care	% Saying Clothing
Respondents with income less than \$15,000	18.2	63.6	18.2
Latino	30.0	60.0	10.0

2001

		% Saying	% Saying
Respondent	% Saying Food	Health Care	Clothing
Respondents with income less than \$15,000	28.6	71.4	14.3
Latino	36.4	54.5	18.2

Source: 1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

A2 Poverty Guidelines

Federal Guidelines, 1997-2001

ANNUAL INCOME

						00-01
FAMILY SIZE	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	% CHANGE
1	\$7,890	\$8,050	\$8,240	\$8,350	\$8,590	2.9
2	\$10,610	\$10,850	\$11,060	\$11,250	\$11,610	3.2
3	\$13,330	\$13,650	\$13,880	\$14,150	\$14,630	3.4
4	\$16,050	\$16,450	\$16,700	\$17,050	\$17,650	3.5
5	\$18,770	\$19,250	\$19,520	\$19,950	\$20,670	3.6
6	\$21,490	\$22,050	\$22,340	\$22,850	\$23,690	3.7
7	\$24,210	\$24,850	\$25,160	\$25,750	\$26,710	3.7
8	\$26,930	\$27,650	\$27,980	\$28,650	\$29,730	3.8

Source: Department of Health and Human Services, Poverty Guidelines, 2001.

Note: Poverty income guidelines are for all states except Alaska and Hawaii. For 1997 add \$2,720 for each additional member; for 1998 add \$2,800 for each additional member; in 1999 add \$2,820; in 2000 add \$2,900 and in 2001 add \$3,020 for each additional member.

A3 Food Bank Services

Average Number of People Served per Month, 1998

Jurisdiction Pantries	Persons Served
Arroyo Grande	1,049
Atascadero	1,700
California Valley	56
Cambria	373
Cayucos	73
Grover Beach	1,123
Heritage Ranch	21
Los Osos	82
Morro Bay	455
Nipomo	366
Oceano	1,502
Paso Robles	888
San Luis Obispo	1,500
San Miguel	148
Santa Margarita	113
Shandon	158
Templeton	329
Christ's Kitchen	457
People's Kitchen (South County)	3,100
Women's Resource Center (North County)	21
Women's Shelter Program (SLO)	16
EOC Homeless Shelter	302
Total persons served	13,832

Source: Food Bank Coalition of San Luis Obispo County, 1999.

Note: Includes Pantry and United States Department of Agriculture, (USDA) distribution.

Note: Statistics taken directly from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

A3 Food Bank Services, continued

Number of Meals Served per Year

Jurisdiction	Distributor	1997	1998	% Change
Atascadero	North County Women's			
	Resource Center	10,971	10,701	-2.5
	Loaves and Fishes	39,720	48,696	22.6
Morro Bay/ Nipomo/ Oceano	Salvation Army	123,267	182,862	48.3
Oceano	Harvest Bag	114,852	125,103	8.9
Paso Robles	Loaves and		123,103	
	Fishes	116,881	147,858	26.5
Pismo Beach	Five Cities Meals	N/A	23,094	N/A
	South County People's Kitchen	36,000	N/A	N/A
San Luis Obispo	Women's Shelter	7,860	7,257	-7.7
-	Salvation Army	11,882	14,000	17.8
	Grass Roots II	2,700	4,207	55.8
	EOC Homeless Shelter	N/A	54,485	N/A
	AIDS Support	6,924	10,043	45
SLO County-wide	Senior Nutrition- Congregate Facility	64,196	63,710	-0.8
	Senior Nutrition- Home Delivery	85,460	86,044	0.7
Total meals served		620,713	778,060	25.3

Source: United Way of San Luis Obispo County, 1999.

Note: Statistics taken directly from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

A4 Concern, Homelessness

Telephone Survey Results

How concerned are you about the following issues in your community? For each one, please answer "Very Concerned", "Somewhat Concerned", or "Not at all Concerned."

Homelessness

	1999		2001		
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Very Concerned	161	29.9	269	33.7	
Somewhat Concerned	230	42.7	368	46.1	
Not at all Concerned	148	27.5	162	20.3	
Total	539	100	799	100	

Source: 1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

A5 Homeless Shelter Overcapacity

Shelter Occupants, by Background

EOC Emergency Shelter (SLO)	1998
Domestic Violence	32%
Chronic Substance Abuse	50%
Mentally ill	45%
HIV/ AIDS	4%
Elderly	7%
Total Shelter Occupants	883

Note: Percents do not total, as occupants may fulfill more than one category.

Note: Statistics taken directly from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

Shelter Over Capacity

EOC Homeless Services	1998	1999	2000	2001
1st Quarter- Jan-March	43	28	26	111
2nd Quarter- April-June	351	64	177	253
3rd Quarter- July –Sept.	430	47	129	*291
4th Quarter- Oct-Dec.	290	24	113	
Total Overcapacity	1114	163	445	*655

^{*} Through August 2001

Source: Economic Opportunity Commission (EOC) Homeless Shelter, 2001.

Note: Over capacity refers to the number of individuals seeking shelter that exceed the number of available beds. The shelter has a regular capacity of 49 beds per night, plus overflow capacity of 15-35 beds provided in collaboration with the Interfaith Coalition for the Homeless. Capacity increased in 1999 when the EOC-ICH overflow program expanded from seven to 12 months per year.

Clients placed in Permanent Housing

EOC Homeless Services	1999	2000
Number of Single Adults	43	57
Number of Families	35	30
Number of Parents	40	38
Number of Children	71	38
% children	46.1	28.6
Number of clients		
permanently housed	154	133

Source: Economic Opportunity Commission (EOC) Homeless Shelter, 2001.

A6 Fair Market Rents

Fair Market Rents - HUD

						00-01
NUMBER OF BEDROOMS	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	% CHANGE
Studio	\$491	\$498	\$507	\$514	\$525	2.1
1	\$555	\$563	\$573	\$580	\$593	2.2
2	\$704	\$714	\$727	\$736	\$752	2.2
3	\$978	\$991	\$1,009	\$1,022	\$1,045	2.3
4	\$1,155	\$1,171	\$1,192	\$1,207	\$1,234	2.2

Source: Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2001.

Average Apartment Rents – San Luis Obispo City

NUMBER OF BEDROOMS	Units	1998
Studio	269	\$ 520
1 Bedroom, 1 Bath	57	\$ 628
2 Bedroom, 1 Bath	73	\$ 762
2 Bedroom, 2 Bath	149	\$ 794
3 Bedroom, 2 Bath	21	\$ 980
2 Bedroom Townhouse	144	\$ 815

Source: Real Data, in UCSB Economic Forecast Project, 1999.

Note: Statistics taken directly from 1999Action Report. Updated information not available.

A7 Concern, Housing Costs

Telephone Survey Results

How concerned are you about the following issues in your community? For each one, please answer "Very Concerned", "Somewhat Concerned", or "Not at all Concerned."

Housing Costs

Response	Number	Percent
Very Concerned	447	55.7
Somewhat Concerned	222	27.7
Not at all Concerned	133	16.6

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

A8 Housing Expenses

Telephone Survey Results

Does <u>one-third</u> or more of your income go to housing, <u>including utilities</u>, <u>such as gas</u> <u>and electricity</u>?

	199	9	20	01
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	291	54.5	519	66.4
No	243	45.5	263	33.6
Total	534	100.0	782	100.0

Source: 1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

Does <u>one-half</u> or more of your income go to housing, <u>including utilities</u>, <u>such as gas</u> <u>and electricity</u>?

	199	9	20	01
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	108	37.6	234	47.4
No	179	62.4	260	52.6
Total	287	100.0	494	100.0

Source: 1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

^{*}Note: The 2001 version of this questionnaire added the phrase "including utilities, such as gas and electricity" — therefore, results may not be directly comparable.

A9 Housing Affordability

8 Least Affordable Areas in the Nation-1999

	Percent of Homes Affordable for	Median Family Income	Median Sales Price	
Area	Median Income	(1st Qtr1999)	(1st Qtr1999)	National Rank
San Francisco, CA PMSA	21.3	\$ 72,400	\$ 366,000	181
Santa Cruz-Watsonville, CA PMSA	32.0	\$ 61,000	\$ 273,000	180
Eugene-Springfield, OR MSA	37.8	\$ 41,200	\$ 128,000	179
Laredo, TX MSA	40.6	\$ 30,200	\$ 104,000	177
Salinas, CA MSA	41.3	\$ 49,400	\$ 195,000	175
Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA	42.6	\$ 52,400	\$ 158,000	174
San Luis Obispo-Atascadero-	42.8	\$ 48,000	\$ 180,000	173
Paso Robles, CA. MSA				
San Diego, CA MSA	45.3	\$ 52,500	\$ 196,000	172

Source: National Association of Home Builders, 1999.

8 Least Affordable Areas in the Nation-2001

	Percent of Homes Affordable for	Median Family Income	Median Sales Price	
Area	Median Income	(1st Qtr2001)	(1st Qtr2001)	National Rank
San Francisco, CA PMSA	6.1	\$ 74,900	\$ 530,000	180
Santa Cruz-Watsonville, CA PMSA	7.8	\$ 61,700	\$ 395,000	179
Salinas, CA MSA	9.6	\$ 50,300	\$ 286,000	178
Santa Rosa, CA PMSA	12.1	\$ 58,100	\$ 305,000	176
San Jose, CA PMSA	12.1	\$ 87,000	\$ 469,000	176
San Luis Obispo-Atascadero- Paso Robles, CA. MSA	18.0	\$ 48,000	\$ 236,000	175
Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA	20.4	\$ 52,300	\$ 200,000	174
Oakland, CA PMSA	20.7	\$ 67,600	\$ 329,000	173

Source: National Association of Home Builders, 2001.

Note: The Housing Opportunity Index is based on the median family income, interest rates, and the price distributions of homes sold for each market in a particular quarter of a year. The price of homes sold is collected from actual court records by First American Real Estate Solutions, a marketing company. The median family income for each market is calculated by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

^{*}Metropolitan Area is one of a large population nucleus, together with adjacent communities that have a high degree of economic and social integration with that nucleus.. MSAs are relatively free standing and are not closely associated with other metropolitan areas.

A10 Housing Prices

Median Sales Price (in thousands)

	3^{RD} Q	1999-2000 %				
MSA/PMSA	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Fresno	105	102	104	109	114	4.6
Merced	100	102	107	122	130	6.6
Ventura/Oxnard	195	198	217	235	259	10.2
Santa Cruz	225	243	260	306	371	21.2
San Luis Obispo	160	170	175	192	235	22.4
Visalia	90	91	89	98	100	2.0
National	122	127	138	141	151	7.1

Source: Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2001.

Housing Opportunity Index (% of homes in area affordable to family with median income)

						1999-2000
	$3^{RD} Q$	%				
MSA/PMSA	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Fresno	53.2	58.7	64.9	58.5	51.7	-11.6
Merced	55.0	61.6	65.3	49.4	39.7	-19.6
Ventura/Oxnard	49.0	53.6	52.7	43.4	34.6	-20.3
Santa Cruz	25.4	28.0	32.1	19.2	8.7	-54.7
San Luis Obispo	35.3	33.5	41.3	32.6	17.8	-45.4
Visalia	58.8	59.8	72.6	63.1	57.2	-9.4
National	61.2	63.7	64.4	63.4	58.1	-8.4

Source: Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2001.

Note: Index is based on the median family income, interest rates, and the price distributions of homes sold in each market in a particular quarter of a year. The price of homes sold is collected from actual public records by First American Real Estate Solutions, a marketing company. The median family income for each market is calculated by the Department of Housing and Urban Development

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A11 School Meals Program

2000-2001 Countywide Program Enrollment

School Meal Program Enrollment	1997-'98	1998-'99	1999-'00	2000-'01	2000-2001 % CHANGE
San Luis Obispo County	32.1%	31.8%	30.9%	29.4%	-4.9%
California	47.4%	47.6%	47.3%	46.8%	-1.1%

Source: California Department of Education, 2001

http://data1.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/page2.asp?subject=Profile&level=County&submit1=Submit

Note: In 2000-2001, 30.2 percent of San Luis Obispo students were eligible for the program. Since 97 percent of eligible families enroll (at least in 2000-2001), enrollment is a proxy for eligibility (for which historical data is unavailable).

2000-2001 Program Enrollment by District

District	Free & Reduced Price Meal Enrollment	% of Students Enrolled
ATASCADERO UNIFIED	1,178	20.2
CAMBRIA UNION ELEMENTARY	NA	NA
CAYUCOS ELEMENTARY	76	24.8
COAST UNIFIED	289	30.6
COAST UNION HIGH	NA	NA
LUCIA MAR UNIFIED	4,323	36.7
PASO ROBLES JOINT UNIFIED	2,573	38.8
PASO ROBLES JOINT UNION HIGH	NA	NA
PASO ROBLES UNION ELEMENTARY	NA	NA
PHILLIPS ELEMENTARY	NA	NA
PLEASANT VALLEY JOINT UNION EL	26	20.5
SAN LUIS COASTAL UNIFIED	1,772	20.8
SAN LUIS OBISPO CO CYA DIST	NA	NA
SAN LUIS OBISPO CO. OFFICE OF	112	42.6
SAN MIGUEL JOINT UNION ELEMENT	245	52.7
SHANDON JOINT UNIFIED	192	56.0
TEMPLETON UNIFIED	364	13.4
County Totals:	11,150	29.4
State Totals:	2,828,758	46.8

Source: California Department of Education, 2001

http://data1.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/Cbeds2.asp?FreeLunch=on&cChoice=CoProf2&cYear=2000-01&TheCounty=40%2CSAN%2CLUIS%2COBISPO&cLevel=County&submit1=Submit

ACTION for Healthy Communities

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Education Issues

There are more graduates than ever coming out of San Luis Obispo high schools, the drop-out rate is lower than it has been in the past four years, and student test scores are higher than the state average (and rising).

More good news: parental involvement in schools appears to be rising and student drug use is perceived to be less of a problem.

The assessment measured local education issues by looking at test scores, graduate and drop-out statistics and public perceptions about school issues.

The drop-out rates for local high schools have continued to decrease, to 1.3 percent in 2001. The county drop-out rate is now less than half of the statewide rate. Improvement has been particularly strong among Hispanic students. Through the mid-1990s the dropout rate for Hispanics was five percent or more; in 1999-2000, the percentage was only 1.8 percent.

San Luis Obispo high school students continue to outpace their state counterparts in SAT testing, the standardized aptitude tests taken by many students in their junior or senior year. The difference between San Luis Obispo students and California students average combined math and verbal score has ranged from 50 to 70 points each year since 1995. In 2000 the county combined average score was 1067; the state average was 1009.

Among elementary and middle-school students, test results are not only above state and national averages but have also improved since 1999. Average math scores for students between first and eighth grades ranked in the 67th percentile nationally (up from 61st in 1999). Average language scores ranked in the 65th percentile (up from 60th in 1999).

The number of Limited English Proficiency (LEP) students in the county continues to edge upward and was nearly 9 percent of the total local student

population in 1999-2000. Coast Unified School District had the largest percentage of LEP students at 18 percent, surpassing Shandon Joint Unified School District, which saw a drop from 20 percent to 16 percent.

Parents' self-assessed involvement has also increased. In 1999 the proportion of parents saying they "often" participate at their children's school declined as children grew older. In the 2001 survey, percentages were high across the board, with at least 57 percent of parents indicating frequent involvement at all levels.

Most parents continue to feel that their children have enough recreational activities available to them during non-school hours: overall 86 percent of parents said their children have enough activities.

Substance abuse concerns among local parents have declined somewhat since 1999. Nine percent of middle school parents say substance abuse is a "serious concern" (down from 26%). Among high school parents, that percentage has dropped from 41 percent to 29 percent.

In addition, employers who hire local high-school graduates have noted improvement in work-preparedness in several areas. The percentage of new hires rated "excellent" or "very good" has doubled in several areas: Basic Skills (from 18% to 40%), Personal Qualities (from 11% to 23%), Interpersonal Skills (from 18% to 38%) and Technology Skills (from 11% to 33%).

Early childhood education is also seeing encouraging signs. Nine out of 10 parents of children age 5 or under report reading to their children three or more times per week.

Nearly half of San Luis Obispo County residents report having visited a public library in the past three months. Two-thirds of library visitors rate county library services "excellent" or "very good." More than half agree that the county should spend more money to expand library services.

B1 Family Education

Telephone Survey Results

In a typical week, how many times do you or other adults in your household read to your child or children? (asked of those with children age 5 or under)

Number of times	Number	Percent
None	2	2.5
1-2	6	7.6
3-5	25	31.6
6-10	24	30.4
More than 10	22	27.8
Total	79	100

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

Telephone Survey Results

In the past year, have you taken part in any parent or family education programs or classes? (asked of those with children age 5 or under)

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	30	38.5
No	48	61.5
Total	78	100

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

B2 Parental Involvement in School

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Telephone Survey Results

How often do you participate in activities in your child(ren)'s schools(s) (educational and extra curricular activities) — Often, Sometimes or Never?

	19	1999		2001	
Elementary School	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Often	66	56.9	73	67.0	
Sometimes	38	32.8	30	27.5	
Never	12	10.3	6	5.5	
Total respondents	116	100	109	100	

	19	1999		2001	
Middle School	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Often	20	43.5	27	57.4	
Sometimes	19	41.3	17	36.2	
Never	7	15.2	3	6.4	
Total respondents	46	100	47	100	

	19	1999		2001	
High School	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Often	17	29.8	52	63.4	
Sometimes	26	45.6	20	24.4	
Never	14	24.6	10	12.2	
Total respondents	57	100	82	100	

Source: 1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

Note: Due to variation in the way this question was posed to respondents, 1999 and 2001 results are not comparable.

B3 Pre-school Enrollment

Enrollment in Head Start Programs

EOC HEAD START	1997-98	1998-99
Enrollment	387	387
Waiting list: 3 year olds	NA	31
4 year olds	NA	82
5 year olds	NA	49

EOC MIGRANT HEAD START	1997-98	1998-99
Enrollment	49	49
Waiting list	0	0

EOC STATE MIGRANT HEAD START PROGRAM	1997-98	1998-99
Enrollment	75	75
Waiting list: 0-3 year olds	NA	16
3-5 year olds	NA	6

Source: Economic Opportunity Commission (EOC), Child Care Resource Connection, 1999.

Notes: EOC Head Start is a federally funded, center-based head start. EOC Migrant Head Start is also federally funded, runs at full enrollment capacity, and does not have a waiting list. These programs are funded by the Department of Health and Human Services. The EOC State Migrant Head Start Program is funded by the California Department of Education and has a waiting list, mostly for infant and toddler care.

The EOC Migrant Head Start and State Migrant Head Start Program differ from the federally funded EOC Head Start in that they use center-based models as well as licensed family day care centers for provision of Head Start services. These two programs also offer child care.

Note: Statistics taken directly from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

B4 Bilingual Education

Percent of English Learner (EL) Students by District

DISTRICT	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
Atascadero USD	0.9	1.5	1.4	1.8
Cambria Union Elementary	18.7	NA	0.0	0.0
Cayucos Elementary SD	5.5	4.8	5.4	6.4
Coast USD	10.7	16.6	16.5	17.6
Lucia Mar USD	10.9	11.5	12.0	12.1
Paso Robles Joint USD	13.8	14.4	14.8	16.5
Pleasant Valley Joint USD	5.8	9.3	6.5	6.1
San Luis Coastal USD	5.6	5.3	4.7	5.2
San Luis Obispo Co. Office of Ed.	1.8	1.6	2.5	3.7
San Miguel Joint Union Elementary SD	4.7	3.0	4.6	9.9
Shandon Joint USD	16.9	19.7	19.8	15.6
Templeton USD	2.1	3.1	3.7	4.1
San Luis Obispo County	7.9	8.3	8.3	8.8
State	24.6	24.6	24.7	24.9

Source: California Department of Education, 2001.

EL students are those students for whom there is a report of a primary language other than English on the state-approved Home Language Survey **and** who, on the basis of the state approved oral language (grades K-12) assessment procedures and including literacy (grades 3-12 only), have been determined to lack the clearly defined English language skills of listening comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing necessary to succeed in the school's regular instructional programs.

B5 Activities for Youth

Telephone Survey Results

Does your child(ren) have enough activities after school and on weekends (including recreational)?

	19	1999		2001	
Elementary School	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Yes	101	86.3	92	86.8	
No	16	13.7	14	13.2	
Total respondents	117	100.0	106	100.0	

	19	99	2001		
Middle School	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Yes	35	77.8	42	87.5	
No	10	22.2	4	8.3	
Don't Know			2	4.2	
Total respondents	45	100.0	48	100.0	

	19	99	20	2001		
High School	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
Yes	49	84.5	70	84.3		
No	9	15.5	12	14.5		
Don't Know			1	1.2		
Total respondents	58	100.0	83	100.0		

Source: 1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

B6 Substance Abuse in Schools

Telephone Survey Results

How serious would you say the alcohol and drug abuse problem is at your child(ren)'s school?

	19	99	2001		
Elementary School	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Very serious	11	9.4	6	5.8	
Somewhat serious	17	14.5	14	13.5	
Not at all serious	75	64.1	71	68.3	
Don't know	14	12	13	12.5	
Total respondents	117	100.0	104	100.0	

Middle School	19	99	20	01
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Very serious	12	26.1	4	8.5
Somewhat serious	14	30.4	22	46.8
Not at all serious	16	34.8	11	23.4
Don't know	4	8.7	10	21.3
Total respondents	46	100.0	47	100.0

	19	99	20	2001	
High School	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Very serious	24	41.4	23	28.7	
Somewhat serious	24	41.4	40	50.0	
Not at all serious	9	15.5	11	13.8	
Don't know	1	1.7	6	7.5	
Total respondents	58	100.0	80	100.0	

Source: 1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

B7 Test Scores-STAR

STAR Test Scores- District, County and State

NPR* of "Average" Student Reading	1998	1999	2000	2001
Atascadero USD	61.6	61.6	63.1	63.0
Cayucos Elementary District	69.4	67.1	69.7	75.4
Coast USD	53.4	55.3	58.0	60.7
Lucia Mar USD	54.1	53.3	56.2	56.3
Paso Robles Joint USD	45.7	45.0	46.1	49.3
San Luis Coastal USD	67.0	66.4	66.4	68.7
San Miguel Joint USD	51.3	48.3	56.6	53.3
Shandon Joint USD	27.4	31.1	37.6	38.4
Templeton USD	58.2	63.2	62.6	63.1
San Luis Obispo County	57.2	56.9	58.2	59.1
California	38.6	40.2	42.6	43.6
NDD: 6114	1000	1000	2000	2001
NPR* of "Average" Student Math	1998	1999	2000	2001
Atascadero USD	61.4	64.5	68.3	69.5
Cayucos Elementary District	65.4	64.1	68.6	77.6
Coast USD	46.1	55.8	60.7	66.4
Lucia Mar USD	56.6	58.6	63.8	64.4
Paso Robles Joint USD	47.2	49.0	56.9	59.1
San Luis Coastal USD	67.3	69.8	72.2	75.4
San Miguel Joint USD	57.3	61.7	66.1	60.7
Shandon Joint USD	35.0	40.8	46.9	44.0
Templeton USD	54.8	63.2	64.4	65.2
San Luis Obispo County	57.9	60.7	65.1	66.8
California	44.2	47.9	52.6	54.4
NPR* of "Average" Student Language	1998	1999	2000	2001
Atascadero USD	63.4	64.2	67.9	67.7
Cayucos Elementary District	66.6	64.7	70.3	73.7
Coast USD	54.7	57.4	61.3	65.0
Lucia Mar USD	57.4	56.7	60.1	60.4
Paso Robles Joint USD	49.2	50.3	54.0	55.7
San Luis Coastal USD	66.6	66.9	68.5	70.7
San Miguel Joint USD	50.3	49.4	57.3	50.9
Shandon Joint USD	33.9	34.7	43.2	44.9
Templeton USD	60.6	66.7	66.8	66.9
San Luis Obispo County	59.1	59.6	62.4	63.3
California	43.6	46.1	49.3	51.0

^{*}NPR is National Percentile Ranking. NPR's shown here are simple averages of NPR scores for each grade level tested (not weighted by number of children taking test in each grade). National Median Score is 50. Test is administered in Spring of each year listed. Source: California Department of Education, 2001 (http://star.cde.ca.gov/star2001/).

B7 Test Scores-STAR

STAR Test Scores- District, County and State, Continued

NPR* of "Average" Student – Spelling	1998	1999	2000	2001
Atascadero USD	53.9	54.1	56.9	56.7
Cayucos Elementary District	54.6	55.1	56.4	62.6
Coast USD	39.9	43.1	45.9	50.4
Lucia Mar USD	46.7	45.9	52.1	52.9
Paso Robles Joint USD	37.6	37.9	43.3	45.6
San Luis Coastal USD	58.0	58.6	61.0	63.1
San Miguel Joint USD	40.3	41.9	46.3	46.3
Shandon Joint USD	32.4	33.3	40.9	44.7
Templeton USD	50.3	56.7	57.0	60.1
San Luis Obispo County	49.0	49.4	53.6	55.0
California	38.3	41.3	45.3	48.1
NPR* of "Average" Student – Science	1998	1999	2000	2001
Atascadero USD	60.0	63.7	64.3	63.7
Cayucos Elementary District				
Coast USD	52.3	54.0	60.3	58.0
Lucia Mar USD	52.0	53.7	54.0	54.0
Paso Robles Joint USD	50.0	50.3	50.0	50.3
San Luis Coastal USD	66.0	61.7	61.3	65.0
San Miguel Joint USD				
Shandon Joint USD	36.0	37.7	32.7	38.3
Templeton USD	61.0	65.7	67.3	68.0
San Luis Obispo County	56.7	56.7	57.0	57.3
California	43.7	44.7	45.3	45.0
NPR* of "Average" Student – Social Science	1998	1999	2000	2001
Atascadero USD	60.7	61.7	61.3	60.3
Cayucos Elementary District				
Coast USD	54.3	52.7	59.3	61.3
Lucia Mar USD	51.3	56.0	55.3	55.7
Paso Robles Joint USD	55.7	54.3	54.0	53.3
San Luis Coastal USD	68.0	63.7	62.3	64.7
San Miguel Joint USD				
Shandon Joint USD	31.3	29.3	31.7	35.0
Templeton USD	61.7	64.3	63.0	67.0
San Luis Obispo County	58.3	58.0	57.0	58.0
California	44.7	45.3	46.3	46.7

Source: California Department of Education, 2001. *Note: The Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) program has used The Stanford Achievement Test Series, Ninth Edition, Form T (Stanford 9) since its inception. The Stanford 9 is a multiple-choice test that allows comparisons to a national sample of students. The average student's national percentile rank (NPR) is shown here (unweighted average of NPRs for all grades tested). National Median Score is 50. Students in grades 2-8 were tested in reading, math, language and spelling. Students in grades 9-11 also took tests in science and social science, but not spelling.

B8 Academic Performance Index

			2000	2000 Similar	1000 2000
Elementary Schools	1999 API	2000 API	Statewide	Schools Decile	1999-2000
Bauer/Speck Elementary	598	669	Decile 5	7	Change 71
Baywood Elementary	771	801	9	3	30
Bishop's Peak Elementary	796	858	10	9	62
Branch Elementary	804	822	9	6	18
Brown (Georgia) Elementary	450	550	3	4	100
Butler (Pat) Elementary	703	762	8	6	59
Cambria Elementary	691	716	7	4	25
Cayucos Elementary	779	811	9	7	32
Dana Elementary	627	649	5	3	22
Del Mar Elementary	725	769	8	8	44
Grover Beach Elementary	592	667	5	7	75
Grover Heights Elementary	700	734	7	7	34
Harloe Elementary	752	796	8	8	44
Hawthorne Elementary	716	715	7	5	-1
Larsen (Lillian) Elementary	679	736	7	7	57
Los Ranchos Elementary	856	868	10	5	12
Monarch Grove Elementary	825	858	10	8	33
Monterey Road Elementary	787	811	9	6	24
Morro Elementary	757	764	8	8	11
Nipomo Elementary	632	668	5	4	36
North Oceano Elementary	607	648	5	3	41
Ocean View Elementary	796	812	9	2	16
Oceano Elementary	574	NA	NA	NA	10
•	675	678		NA 4	3
Pacheco Elementary			6	-	
Peterson (Virginia) Elementary	613	705	6	6	92 47
Pifer (Winifred) Elementary	668	715	7	7	47
San Benito Elementary	775	797 704	8	7	22
San Gabriel Elementary	786	794	8	3	8
Santa Margarita Elementary	772	812	9	4	40
Santa Rosa Road Academic Academy	730	764	8	4	34
Shell Beach Elementary	797	824	9	6	27
Sinsheimer Elementary	863	855	10	8	-8
Smith (C. L.) Elementary	803	797	8	7	-6
Sunnyside Elementary	719	739	7	6	20
Teach Elementary	931	935	10	10	4
Templeton Elementary	822	933 797	8	5	-25
Vineyard Elementary	784	766	8	3	-23 -18
San Luis Obispo County	713*	758	0	3	45
San Luis Obispo County	/15**	/38			45

Source: California Department of Education Educational Demographics Unit, 2001

Note: API Scores are out of a possible 1,000 points. See additional explanation on next page.

B8 Academic Performance Index (continued)

Middle Schools	1999 API	2000 API	2000 Statewide Decile	2000 Similar Schools Decile	1999- 2000 Change
Atascadero Junior High	752	765	8	4	13
Flamson (George H.) Middle	620	619	5	1	-1
Judkins (Frances) Middle	738	753	8	10	15
Laguna Middle	817	830	10	8	13
Lewis (Daniel) Middle	644	689	6	3	45
Los Osos Middle	736	784	9	6	48
Mesa Middle	684	756	8	10	72
Paulding (Ruth) Middle	748	778	9	8	30
Santa Lucia Middle	720	763	8	7	43
Templeton Middle	753	760	8	3	7
San Luis Obispo County	723*	750			27

High Schools	1999 API	2000 API	2000 Statewide Decile	2000 Similar Schools Decile	1999- 2000 Change
Arroyo Grande High	702	702	8	7	0
Atascadero High	767	776	10	10	9
Coast Union High	665	728	9	6	63
Morro Bay High	718	743	9	6	25
Paso Robles High	686	683	7	7	-3
San Luis Obispo High	771	747	9	2	-24
Shandon High	491	544	NA	NA	53
Templeton High	764	763	9	9	-1
San Luis Obispo County	722*	725			3

Source: California Department of Education Educational Demographics Unit, 2001.

http://data1.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/SearchName.asp?cCounty=40+SAN+LUIS+OBISPO&Topic=API&Level=County&submit1=Submit

Note: 1999 countywide averages are approximate because the total number of students tested at each school was unavailable.

Note: The 2000 API (Base) summarizes a school's performance on the 2000 STAR. It is on a scale of 200 to 1000. It is based on the performance of individual pupils on STAR content area tests as measured through national percentile rankings (NPRs). Schools are ranked in deciles by grade level of instruction: elementary, middle, and high. A rank of 10 is the highest and 1 is the lowest. They are also ranked in deciles by school type when compared to schools with similar characteristics, including mobility, ethnicity, socioeconomic status and proportion of credentialed teachers.

B9 Physical Fitness

California Physical Fitness Test, 1999

% of Tested Students Scoring in "Healthy Fitness Zone"

Spring 1999	Grade 5		Gra	ade 7	Grade 9	
Physical Fitness Tasks	San Luis Obispo	California	San Luis Obispo	California	San Luis Obispo	California
Aerobic Capacity	59.6	58.1	75.9	58.4	67.7	49.0
Body Composition	76.3	67.1	80.1	66.7	75.3	68.6
Abdominal Strength	80.0	79.7	94.0	81.1	89.8	80.0
Trunk Extension Strength	86.4	84.1	95.2	85.8	89.4	79.6
Upper Body Strength	56.4	60.6	60.6	58.8	66.8	59.5
Flexibility	63.1	60.8	77.8	66.8	78.7	66.1

Source: California Department of Education web site: http://www.eddataonline.com/fitness/, 2001

The Fitnessgram uses criterion-referenced standards to evaluate fitness performance. The standards were established by the Cooper Institute for Aerobics Research to represent a level of fitness that offers some degree of protection against diseases that result from sedentary living. Findings from current research based on the United States national norms have been used as the basis for establishing the Fitnessgram standards.

Performance is classified into two general areas: "in the healthy fitness zone (HFZ)" and "not in the HFZ." For a list of the standards for the HFZ, see http://www.eddataonline.com/fitness/appendix1.htm.

All students should strive to achieve a score within the HFZ. It is possible that some students score above the HFZ. For the purpose of this report, scores are reported as meeting the standard (falling in the fitness zone) or not meeting the standard (falling lower than the HFZ).

B10 Student Attendance/Expulsion

Students referred to School Attendance Review Board

District	1994-95	1998-99	% Change from 1994-95	98-99 Referrals as % of Student Population
Lucia Mar	137	95	-31%	0.90
San Luis Obispo	74	44	-41%	0.52
Atascadero	69	50	-28%	0.85
Paso Robles	37	82	+122%	1.32
Total	317	271	-15%	0.87

Source: Children's Services Network, 1999.

Students Identified as Title 1

			% Change	98-99 Title 1 as % of
District	1994-95	1998-99	from 1994-95	Student Population
Lucia Mar	5,500	2,824	-49	26.6
San Luis Obispo	1,508	2,152	43	25.4
Atascadero	926	482	-48	8.1
Paso Robles	671	1,025	53	16.5
Total	8,605	6,483	-25	20.8

Source: Children's Services Network, 1999

Note: "Title 1" students are identified as having language arts skills two or more grade levels below their current grade.

Students Expelled

District	1994-95	1998-99	Change from 1994-95	98-99 Expulsions as of Student Population
Lucia Mar	142	20	-86	0.32
San Luis Obispo	14	12	-14	0.20
Atascadero	9	4	-56	0.05
Paso Robles	56	14	-75	0.13
Total	221	50	-77	0.16

Source: Children's Services Network, 1999.

B11 College Prep Work

Percent of UC/CSU-eligible Graduates

District	1996-'97	1997-'98	1998-'99	1999-'00
Atascadero Unified	46.4	52.4	51.0	46.8
Coast Unified	41.8	33.8	57.8	36.4
Lucia Mar Unified	26.2	28.6	28.9	29.1
Paso Robles Joint Unified	34.4	41.5	43.9	27.1
San Luis Coastal Unified	46.3	36.5	40.2	35.8
Shandon Joint Unified	52.6	17.4	15.0	41.9
Templeton Unified	65.0	52.5	39.3	39.3
County Totals:	39.7	37.1	37.8	33.8
State Totals:	36.0	36.6	35.6	34.8

Source: California Department of Education Educational Demographics Unit, 2001.

http://data1.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/Cbeds2.asp?Grads=on&Uccsu=on&cChoice=CoProf2&cYear=2000-01&TheCounty=40%2CSAN%2CLUIS%2COBISPO&cLevel=County&submit1=Submit

B12 High School Graduation

High School Graduates by District

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ATASC	A DER	O UNIFIED	SCHOOL

DISTRICT	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
Atascadero High	305	310	322	352	345
West Mall Alternative	NA	11	0	4	14
Westside Continuation High	NA	21	12	0	28
Oak Hills High (Continuation)	37	29	23	7	NA
Total	352	371	357	363	387

PASO ROBLES SCHOOL DISTRICT	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
Paso Robles High	301	322	316	337	346
Liberty High (Continuation)	23	21	14	16	22
Total	324	343	330	353	368

TEMPLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
Templeton High	88	116	106	124	136
Templeton Independent	NA	NA	35	44	35
Total	88	116	141	168	171

SHANDON SCHOOL DISTRICT	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
Shandon High School	18	19	23	20	31

SAN LUIS COASTAL UNIFIED SCHOOL

DISTRICT	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
San Luis Obispo High	238	285	285	286	358
Pacific Beach Continuation High	39	27	35	34	25
Morro Bay High	195	176	217	195	186
San Luis Obispo Coastal Special Education	2	NA	NA	2	7
Total	472	490	537	517	576

COAST UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
Coast Union High	68	71	59	78	94
Leffingwell Continuation High	7	8	6	12	16
Total	75	79	65	90	110

B12 High School Graduation, Continued

LUCIA MAR UNIFIED SCHOOL

DISTRICT	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
Arroyo Grande High	433	452	520	521	501
Lopez Continuation High	65	82	75	75	59
Total	498	534	595	596	560

GRAND TOTAL	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
San Luis Obispo County	1,828	1,953	2,128	2,225	2,284

B13 High School Graduates, by Ethnicity

Atascadero Unified School District	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
Caucasian	315	333	319	312	342
Hispanic	31	28	23	29	33
Asian	7	6	9	7	5
African American	4	3	5	8	4
Filipino	2	1	1	3	1
Native American	3	0	0	3	1
Pacific Islander	0	0	0	1	1
Total	362	371	357	363	387

Paso Robles Unified School District	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
Caucasian	256	272	319	271	270
Hispanic	50	53	23	68	77
Asian	4	4	9	7	10
African American	14	9	5	6	18
Filipino	0	0	1	0	0
Native American	0	3	0	0	1
Pacific Islander	0	2	0	1	0
Total	324	343	357	353	376

Templeton Unified School District	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
Caucasian	72	99	118	145	154
Hispanic	12	11	18	14	15
Asian	0	0	1	1	0
African American	2	1	1	1	2
Filipino	0	2	0	1	1
Native American	0	4	3	4	1
Pacific Islander	0	0	0	2	0
Total	89	117	141	168	173

B 13 High School Graduates, by Ethnicity, Continued

Shandon Unified School District	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
Caucasian	7	13	18	10	18
Hispanic	8	5	5	9	13
Asian	2	0	0	0	0
African American	0	0	0	1	0
Filipino	0	0	0	0	0
Native American	0	1	0	0	0
Pacific Islander	1	0	0	0	0
Total	18	19	23	20	31

San Luis Coastal Unified School District	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
Caucasian	397	420	459	437	472
Hispanic	40	35	42	49	50
Asian	18	17	16	10	26
African American	9	4	12	6	10
Filipino	7	10	3	10	13
Native American	1	4	2	2	5
Pacific Islander	0	0	2	2	0
Total	472	490	537	517	576

Coast Unified School District	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
Caucasian	62	65	58	74	94
Hispanic	12	10	6	12	16
Asian	1	2	1	2	0
African American	0	1	0	1	0
Filipino	0	0	0	0	0
Native American	0	0	0	1	0
Pacific Islander	0	1	0	0	0
Total	75	79	65	90	110

B13 High School Graduates, by Ethnicity, Continued

Lucia Mar Unified School District	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
Caucasian	346	387	431	403	397
Hispanic	121	117	134	150	133
Asian	8	11	8	16	7
African American	7	6	6	8	6
Filipino	11	9	10	11	12
Native American	4	3	6	5	4
Pacific Islander	1	1	0	3	1
Total	498	534	595	596	560

B14 Test Scores-SAT

SAT Scores by School

PASO ROBLES HIGH SCHOOL	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
12 th Grade Enrollment	294	352	394	334	388	384
Students Tested	134	132	143	132	156	139
% Tested	45.6	37.5	36.3	39.5	40.2	36.2
Average Verbal Score	504	471	524	507	506	522
Average Math Score	508	493	527	521	515	516
Average Total Score	1,012	964	1,051	1,028	1,021	1,038

ATASCADERO HIGH SCHOOL	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
12 th Grade Enrollment	291	346	326	355	367	373
Students Tested	104	138	136	142	162	155
% Tested	35.7	39.9	41.7	40	44.1	41.6
Average Verbal Score	509	534	522	536	532	532
Average Math Score	521	536	529	547	550	536
Average Total Score	1,030	1,070	1,051	1,083	1,082	1,068

TEMPLETON HIGH SCHOOL	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
12 th Grade Enrollment	82	102	133	173	130	149
Students Tested	29	25	50	47	59	77
% Tested	35.4	24.5	37.6	27.2	45.4	51.7
Average Verbal Score	516	511	516	488	507	531
Average Math Score	489	497	494	478	485	524
Average Total Score	1,005	1,008	1,010	966	992	1,055

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280	268	302	301	311	384
152	138	174	165	180	207
54.3	51.5	57.6	54.8	57.9	53.9
561	560	566	560	554	558
566	565	578	550	572	560
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Source: California Department of Education, Office of Policy and Evaluation, 2001.

B14 Test Scores-SAT, continued

SAT Scores by School, continued

MORRO BAY HIGH SCHOOL	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
12 th Grade Enrollment	199	196	185	236	213	203
Students Tested	55	64	68	71	92	78
% Tested	27.6	32.7	36.8	30.1	43.2	38.4
Average Verbal Score	540	558	536	526	548	529
Average Math Score	543	552	540	544	547	539
Average Total Score	1,083	1,110	1,076	1,070	1,095	1,068

COAST UNION HIGH SCHOOL	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
12 th Grade Enrollment	65	73	70	60	79	98
Students Tested	22	37	33	30	53	39
% Tested	33.8	50.7	47.1	50	67.1	39.8
Average Verbal Score	480	519	536	509	526	528
Average Math Score	512	534	541	541	523	525
Average Total Score	992	1,053	1,077	1,050	1,049	1,053

SHANDON HIGH SCHOOL	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
12 th Grade Enrollment	27	20	28	24	26	33
Students Tested	3	6	10	6	2	14
% Tested	11.1	30	35.7	25	7.7	42.4
Average Verbal Score	410	410	403	453	370	434
Average Math Score	410	377	446	492	370	504
Average Total Score	820	787	849	945	740	938

ARROYO GRANDE HIGH

SCHOOL	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
12 th Grade Enrollment	470	497	502	624	590	546
Students Tested	176	184	190	216	212	209
% Tested	37.4	37	37.8	34.6	35.9	38.3
Average Verbal Score	526	531	523	515	527	527
Average Math Score	540	531	537	526	534	525
Average Total Score	1,066	1,062	1,060	1,041	1,061	1,052

Source: California Department of Education, Office of Policy and Evaluation, 2001.

B14 Test Scores-SAT, continued

SAT Scores by School, continued

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

TOTAL	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
12 th Grade Enrollment	1,844	2,054	2,179	2,341	2,498	2,697
Students Tested	675	725	804	810	916	919
% Tested	36.6	35.3	36.9	34.6	36.7	34.1
Average Verbal Score	526	526	532	525	530	533
Average Math Score	533	531	539	533	538	534
Average Total Score	1,059	1,057	1,071	1,058	1,068	1,067

CALIFORNIA	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
12 th Grade Enrollment	285,132	287,428	298,669	317,595	334,852	347,813
Students Tested	102,782	105,448	108,210	113,968	122,359	126,786
% Tested	36	36.7	36.2	35.6	36.5	36.5
Average Verbal Score	488	490	490	491	492	492
Average Math Score	509	511	514	516	513	517
Average Total Score	997	1,001	1,004	1,007	1,005	1,009

Source: California Department of Education, Office of Policy and Evaluation, 2001.

B15 Comparison of Average Total SAT Scores

School, County, and State

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Paso Robles High School	1,012	964	1,051	1,028	1,021	1,038
Atascadero High School	1,030	1,070	1,051	1,083	1,082	1,068
Templeton High School	1,005	1,008	1,010	966	992	1,055
San Luis Obispo High	1,127	1,125	1,144	1,110	1,126	1,118
School						
Morro Bay High School	1,083	1,110	1,076	1,070	1,095	1,068
Coast Union High School	992	1,053	1,077	1,050	1,049	1,053
Shandon High School	820	787	849	945	740	938
Arroyo Grande High	1,066	1,062	1,060	1,041	1,061	1,052
School						
County	1,059	1,057	1,071	1,058	1,068	1,067
State	997	1,001	1,004	1,007	1,005	1,009

Source: California Department of Education, Office of Policy and Evaluation, 2001.

B16 High School Dropout Rates

San Luis Obispo County and California

One-year Rate

DISTRICTS	93-94	94-95	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
Atascadero USD	3.6	1.9	2.5	2.2	1.4	1.0	1.6
Paso Robles Joint USD	6.7	1.3	0.8	1.1	1.1	0.2	0.5
Templeton USD	2.6	1.8	0.7	0.2	0.0	0.7	1.0
Shandon Joint USD	1.0	0.9	0.0	0.8	0.0	1.0	0.0
Coast USD	1.5	2.7	0.8	0.8	0.2	0.5	1.0
San Luis Coastal USD	3.4	2.2	2.6	2.4	2.0	2.4	2.3
Lucia Mar USD	2.7	2.9	2.1	2.3	2.0	2.5	1.2
San Luis Obispo County	3.7	2.1	1.9	1.8	1.5	1.5	1.3
California	4.9	4.4	3.9	3.3	2.9	2.8	2.8

Source: California Department of Education, 2001.

Note: 1 year drop-out rate: the annual dropout rate is calculated by dividing the number of dropouts in grades 9 through 12, by the total enrollment in those grades for the same year (Gr. 9-12 Dropouts/Gr. 9-12 Enrollment)*100. It is also called the "annual" or "event" rate and it is the dropout rate used by the National Center for Education Statistics to compare states and school districts. A dropout is a student who meets the following criteria: was formerly enrolled in grades 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12; was formerly enrolled in a school or program leading to a high school diploma or its equivalent; was under 21 years of age; has left school for 45 consecutive school days and has not enrolled in another public or private educational institution or school program; has not received a high school diploma or its equivalent; has not re-enrolled in the school.

Four-year Rate

•	'93-'94	'94-'95	'95-'96	'96-'97	'97-'98	'98-'99	'99-'00
Atascadero Unified	14.5	8.0	10.3	9.5	6.2	4.0	6.6
Coast Unified	6.6	10.8	3.3	2.8	0.9	2.0	3.9
Lucia Mar Unified	11.1	13.1	8.9	9.1	7.9	10.4	5.9
Paso Robles Joint Unified	26.2	5.5	3.0	4.1	5.0	1.1	2.2
San Luis Coastal Unified	13.1	8.9	10.6	9.9	8.8	10.2	9.6
Shandon Joint Unified	4.3	3.7	0.0	3.6	0.0	3.0	0.0
Templeton Unified	9.9	7.8	2.9	0.6	0.0	2.9	4.1
San Luis Obispo County	15.0	9.1	7.9	7.6	6.3	6.2	5.8
California	18.5	17.1	15.3	13.0	11.7	11.1	11.1

Source: California Department of Education, 2001.

The 4-year derived dropout rate is an estimate of the percent of students who would drop out in a four year period based on data collected for a single year (1-((1-(drop gr 9/enroll gr 9))*(1-(drop gr 10/enroll gr 10))*(1-(drop gr 11/enroll gr 11))*(1-(drop gr 12/enroll gr 12))))*100. This estimates the number of students who start but do not finish high school. To create an actual 4-year rate the CDE would need to collect individual student data and be able to track such data over time.

B16 High School Dropout Rates, continued

Rates by Ethnicity

San Luis Obispo County

ETHNICITY	93-94	94-95	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
Caucasian	2.8	1.6	1.5	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.1
Hispanic	7.7	4.9	3.6	4.8	2.8	2.5	1.8
Asian	2.8	0.0	0.6	0.5	1.6	0.0	0.8
African American	7.1	2.1	3.1	1.2	5.0	0.9	1.7
Filipino	4.1	1.1	0.0	1.9	1.0	0.8	2.4
Native American	2.4	1.9	1.1	0.0	1.0	3.3	3.3
Pacific Islander	4.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.6	0.0	0.0
Total	3.7	2.1	1.9	1.8	1.5	1.5	1.3

California

ETHNICITY	93-94	94-95	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
Caucasian	2.9	2.7	2.4	2.0	1.9	1.7	1.7
Hispanic	7.2	6.4	5.6	4.8	4.1	3.9	3.9
Asian	2.5	2.2	2.0	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.4
African American	8.0	7.7	6.6	5.1	4.4	4.7	4.6
Filipino	2.7	2.6	2.3	1.7	1.9	2.2	1.6
Native American	6.2	4.7	4.7	4.2	4.2	4.0	3.5
Pacific Islander	5.5	5.1	4.7	3.5	3.3	3.6	3.3
Total	4.9	4.4	3.9	3.3	2.9	2.8	2.8

Source: California Department of Education 2001. (Single-year dropout rates; four-year estimates not available by ethnicity.)

B17 Work Preparedness Survey

Employer Evaluation of New Employees

	1999	2001
Number of employers surveyed	(23)	(49)
	% Excellent or	% Excellent or
	Very Good	Very Good
FOUNDATION SKILLS		
Basic Skills, such as reading, writing, and arithmetic	18	40
Thinking Skills, such as decision making and problem solving	18	17
Personal Qualities, such as responsibility and self-esteem	11	23
WORKPLACE SKILLS		
Resource Skills, such as plans and allocates resources	11	10
Interpersonal Skills, such as works with others	18	38
Information Skills, such as acquires and uses information	24	23
Systems Skills, such as understands complex relationships	18	14
Technology Skills, such as works with a variety of technologies	11	33

Source: Foundation for Community Design employer survey, 1999; ACTION for Healthy Communities employer survey, 2001.

A question asking the employers to rate the new graduates on eight SCAN skills was included in both surveys. The table shows the percentages of employers who rated new high school graduates they had hired as Excellent or Very Good on a five-point scale that also included Good, Fair, and Poor.

Note: The 49 employers surveyed in 2001 estimate they had interviewed over 1,500 new high school grads in the past year. Forty-one of those employers had hired a total of 306 of those new graduates.

B18 College Preparation & Placement

Percent of Incoming Students with College-Level Skills

Language	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
San Luis Obispo County HS Graduates	62	65	62	64	64
All Students	62	65	62	62	65

Math	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
San Luis Obispo County HS Graduates	71	75	79	74	74
All Students	61	65	67	67	69

Source: Cuesta College, Matriculation Services, Advanced Placement Test, 2001

Note: Percentages reflect recommended placement of students in either A.A. degree courses or transfer-level courses.

B19 Literacy

Average State Literacy Level, by Educational Attainment, 1992

Level of Education	Prose Literacy	Document Literacy	Quantitative
Attained	Ave. Score	Ave. Score	Literacy Ave. Score
0 to 8 grade	152	145	148
9 to 12 grade	225	219	225
High School Diploma	264	257	262
GED	263	259	261
Some Post Secondary	297	292	297
4 year College Degree	331	322	331

Source: State Adult Literacy Survey-Adult Education Office, 1992.

Note: Statistics taken directly from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

Note: Literacy scores are out of a possible 500. Scores below 200 are considered very low; above 375 are considered very high.

Prose literacy involves the knowledge and skills needed to understand and use information from texts that include editorials, news stories, poems, and fiction; for example, finding a piece of information in a newspaper article, interpreting instructions from a warranty, inferring a theme from a poem, or contrasting views expressed in editorials.

Document literacy concerns the knowledge and skills required to locate and use information contained in materials that include job applications, payroll forms, transportation schedules, maps, tables, and graphs; for example, locating a particular intersection on a street map, using a schedule to choose the appropriate bus, or entering information on an application form.

Quantitative literacy involves the knowledge and skills required to apply arithmetic operations, either alone or sequentially, using numbers embedded in printed materials; for example, balancing a checkbook, figuring out a tip, completing an order form, or determining the amount of interest from a loan advertisement.

Note: The next National Assessment of Adult Literacy (NAAL) is planned for the year 2002. The NAAL is an in-person household survey that includes an assessment of English-language literacy skills and an interview to collect background information. The literacy assessment measures the ability to use printed or written materials to perform prose, document, or quantitative tasks that simulate real-life experiences. More information about literacy scores and the NAAL is available from the National Center for Education Statistics (http://nces.ed.gov/pubs2001/2001457.pdf).

B19 Literacy, continued

Literacy estimates and comparison to average annual earnings

Average Annual Earnings, by Literacy Proficiency Level, 1992

Proficiency Level	Prose Literacy	Document Literacy	Quantitative Literacy
-		Literacy	Literacy
Level 1: Score 0 to 225	\$18,000	\$18,050	\$17,390
Level 2: Score 225 to 275	\$29,380	\$30,160	\$28,980
Level 3: Score 276 to 325	\$39,390	\$40,140	\$39,970
Level 4: Score 326 to 375	\$53,590	\$51,610	\$52,590
Level 5: Score 376 to 500	\$66,990	\$64,040	\$64,580

Note: this is the average salary that a person would receive by test score level. Literacy levels represent ranges of literacy scores that correspond to the ability to comprehend and complete tasks of increasing complexity.

Source: State Adult Literacy Survey-Adult Education Office, 1992.

City, County and State Literacy Estimates, 1996

Jurisdiction	Mean Literacy Proficiency	Percent at Level 1 (Score: 0 - 225)	Percent at Level 1 or 2 (Score: 0 - 275)
	289	11	·
Atascadero	289	11	31
Paso Robles	270	20	45
Grover City	271	18	44
San Luis Obispo	299	12	28
Arroyo Grande	285	16	36
San Luis Obispo County	282	17	38
California	266	24	46

Source: Portland State University, California Department of Education, 1996.

Note: Statistics taken directly from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

B20 Library Services

Telephone Survey Results

How many times have you visited any public library in the past three months?

Number of visits	Number	Percent
None	407	50.7
1-2	130	16.2
3-5	121	15.1
6-10	63	7.9
11-25	54	6.7
26-50	19	2.4
50 or more	8	1.0
Total	802	100

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

Telephone Survey Results

How would you rate SLO county in the following area: Library Services

Response	Number	Percent
Excellent	200	25.3
Very Good	320	40.6
Good	207	26.2
Fair	52	6.6
Poor	10	1.3
Total	789	100

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

B20 Library Services, continued

Telephone Survey Results

Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements:

"The county should spend more money to: Expand library services, including extending the hours they are open"

Response	Number	Percent
Strongly agree	169	22.1
Agree	291	38.1
Neutral	218	28.5
Disagree	66	8.6
Strongly Disagree	20	2.6
Total	764	100.0

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

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Economic Issues

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Economic Issues

The ACTION for Healthy Communities Project looked at the local economy through employment, unemployment and poverty rates, local salaries, the number of new homes built, the amount of taxes raised and the perceptions of local residents about their own economic well-being.

More local residents worked in 2000 than in previous years. There was a 3.6 percent increase in employment countywide over 1999. The largest increases (among industries with at least 1,000 jobs) were found in the hospitality, agriculture and wholesale trade industries (15%, 12% and 11%, respectively).

Local unemployment rates continued to drop for the fifth consecutive year. San Luis Obispo's countywide rate of 2.9 percent in 2000 was well below state (4.9%) and national (4.0%) levels. When asked how concerned they were about employment opportunities in the county, one in three phone survey respondents said "very concerned."

Closely related to employment issues is child care. About three in 10 parents of pre-schoolers indicate they are unable to get some kind of child care that they need. The most-frequently cited need is part-time care; the most-frequently cited location is close to home.

When asked whether they were better off economically this year than last year, 41 percent of telephone-survey respondents said "yes." While they outnumbered those who said "no" (29%), the proportion of "no" responses has doubled since the 1999 phone survey.

Locally, the average per capita personal income for 1997 was \$25,888, a 4.1 percent increase over the previous year. Statewide, the personal income rate rose 5.6 percent; nationally, personal income rose 4.5 percent.

For families, the 2000 median family income was unchanged from 1999 at \$48,000. Meanwhile, state and national median incomes posted slight gains, to \$55,400 and \$50,200, respectively.

Nearly one resident in five acknowledged receiving some kind of state or federal assistance in the past 12 months. More than half of those were seniors receiving Medicare benefits.

The number of school-age children enrolled in the reduced-cost meals program dropped more than one percent in 2000-2001, to 29.4 percent, as did the proportion of children receiving AFDC/Calworks assistance (to 5.0%).

Another sign of a healthy economy is in how much money people are spending. Retail sales countywide in 2000 rose 7.5 percent, slightly slower than the statewide rate. Growth in both local and statewide spending has been a combination of population growth and greater spending per person. In 2000 per-capita spending in the county rose by 5 percent, slightly greater than the growth experienced statewide.

Each incorporated community in the county experienced real growth in spending, led by Arroyo Grande (17% increase) and Paso Robles (13% increase). All communities but Grover Beach also experienced an increase in per-person spending.

C1 Economic Well-being

Telephone Survey Results

Do you feel you are better off this year than last year economically?*

	19	1999		01
RESPONSE	Number	PERCENT	Number	PERCENT
Yes	272	50.1	331	41.1
No	75	13.8	230	28.6
About the same	196	36.1	244	30.3
Total	543	100.0	805	100.0

Source: 1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Surveys.

Responses, by Respondent Type

		1999			2001	
			% ABOUT			% ABOUT
RESPONSE	% YES	% No	THE SAME	% YES	% No	THE SAME
Respondents with income under \$15,000	31.6	29.8	38.6	19.5	39.0	41.5
Seniors 55 and older	31.4	13.4	55.2	25.5	33.0	41.5
Latino	52.1	11.3	36.6	48.2	24.7	27.1
North County	54.0	13.6	32.4	45.1	29.4	25.5
North Coast	49.1	12.0	38.9	38.3	31.2	30.5
San Luis Obispo	47.2	13.9	38.9	36.9	27.9	35.1
South County	49.3	15.5	35.1	42.8	26.2	31.0

Source: 1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Surveys.

^{*} The word "economically" was added in 2001 for clarity. Results may not be comparable to the 1999 Action results

C2 Household Income

Telephone Survey Results

Which income range best describes your household income?

	1999		20	01
RESPONSE	Number	PERCENT	Number	PERCENT
Less than \$15,000 per year	57	11.4	82	13.1
\$15,000-\$25,000 per year	83	16.6	83	13.3
\$25,000-\$35,000 per year	80	16.0	92	14.7
\$35,000-\$45,000 per year	88	17.6	92	14.7
\$45,000-\$55,000 per year	86	17.2	122	19.5
\$65,000-\$80,000 per year	37	7.4	53	8.5
\$80,000-\$100,000 per year	28	5.6	47	7.5
\$100,000-\$125,000 per year	21	4.2	23	3.7
\$125,000-\$150,000 per year	6	1.2	14	2.2
Over \$150,000 per year	14	2.8	17	2.7
Total	543	100.0	805	100.0

\$40,500			
Mean Household Income \$40,500 \$42,100	an Household Income	\$40,500	\$42,100

Source: 1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Surveys.

Responses, by Respondent Type

	2001
RESPONSE	MEAN HH INCOME
Seniors 60 and older	\$ 36,700
Latino	\$ 31,300
Single-parent households	\$ 37,300
North County	\$ 44,950
North Coast	\$ 49,750
San Luis Obispo	\$ 37,600
South County	\$ 43,300

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Surveys.

C2 Household Income, continued

Median Income

						99-00 %
INCOME	FY 1996	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY1999	FY 2000	CHANGE
San Luis Obispo County	\$43,300	\$43,800	\$46,200	\$48,000	\$48,000	0.0
State	\$48,400	\$50,000	\$52,600	\$54,100	\$55,400	2.4
National	\$41,600	\$43,500	\$45,300	\$47,800	\$50,200	5.0

Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2001.

Note: Median family income estimates are calculated for each metropolitan and non-metropolitan area using the Fair Market Rent (FMR) area definitions applied in the Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment program. The estimates are based on 1990 Census median family income estimates updated to 1998 with a combination of Bureau of Labor Statistics earnings and employment data and Census Divisional P-60 median family income Data.Indicator 62

Per Capita Personal Income

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	98-99
INCOME						% CHANGE
San Luis Obispo County	\$20,933	\$21,984	\$23,559	\$24,879	\$25,888	4.1
State	\$24,496	\$25,563	\$26,742	\$28,264	\$29,856	5.6
National	\$23,562	\$24,651	\$25,874	\$27,321	\$28,546	4.5

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, 2001.

Note: Per capita personal income (PCPI) is calculated by dividing the total personal income by the total population for a given county. Population figures used for this calculation are derived from the Census Bureau mid-year estimates.

^{*1996-1998} State and National statistics reflect updated information.

^{*1995-1997} statistics also reflect updated information.

C3 Concern, Employment Opportunities

Telephone Survey Results

How concerned are you about the following issues in your community? For each one, please answer "Very Concerned," "Somewhat Concerned," or "Not at all Concerned."

Employment Opportunities

Response	Number	Percent
Very Concerned	267	33.6
Somewhat Concerned	309	38.9
Not at all Concerned	218	27.5

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

C4 Annual Average Unemployment

County, State and National Comparisons

						% CHANGE
SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	1999-2000
Labor Force	102,500	106,200	108,800	112,000	115,700	3.3
Number Employed	96,800	101,200	104,300	108,400	112,300	3.6
Number Unemployed	5,700	5,000	4,500	3,600	3,400	-5.6
County Unemployment Rate	5.6	4.7	4.2	3.2	3.0	-9.4
California Unemployment Rate	7.2	6.3	5.9	5.2	4.9	-5.8
National Unemployment Rate	5.4	4.9	4.5	4.2	4.0	-4.8

Sources: California Employment Development Department, Labor Market Information Division, 2001; U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2001.

C5 Net Job Growth

Number of Persons Employed, by Industry- San Luis Obispo County

INDUSTRY	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	99-00 % Change
Total Farm	3,900	4,800	4,600	4,300	4,800	11.6
Total Nonfarm	78,800	82,100	86,100	90,500	94,200	4.1
Goods Producing	10,500	11,100	12,000	12,900	13,400	3.9
Mining	100	100	100	100	200	100.0
Construction	3,800	4,100	4,500	5,300	5,700	7.5
Manufacturing	6,700	6,800	7,300	7,400	7,500	1.4
Durable Goods	3,400	3,600	4,100	4,100	4,000	-2.4
Industrial Machinery	1,200	1,300	1,400	1,300	1,100	-15.3
Electronic Equipment	600	600	700	700	800	14.3
Other Durable Goods	1,600	1,700	2,100	2,100	2,100	0.0
Nondurable Goods	3,300	3,200	3,300	3,400	3,500	2.9
Food & Kindred Products	600	700	700	800	900	12.5
Printing & Publishing	1,400	1,500	1,500	1,400	1,400	0.0
Other Nondurable Goods	1,200	1,100	1,100	1,200	1,200	0.0
Service Producing	68,300	71,000	74,200	77,600	80,800	4.1
Transportation, Public Utilities	4,400	4,500	4,500	4,800	5,000	4.2
Trade	20,600	21,000	21,900	23,200	24,200	4.3
Wholesale Trade	2,500	2,600	2,600	2,700	3,000	11.1
Retail Trade	18,100	18,400	19,400	20,500	21,200	3.4
General Merchandise	1,200	1,200	1,300	1,500	1,500	0.0
Food Stores	2,400	2,500	2,600	2,700	2,600	-3.7
Eating & Drinking Places	8,100	7,800	8,300	8,700	8,900	2.3
Other Retail Trade	6,500	6,900	7,100	7,600	8,200	7.9
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,200	4,400	4,700	4,900	4,800	2.0
Services	19,900	20,900	21,900	23,200	24,400	5.2
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	2,000	2,200	2,400	2,600	3,000	15.4
Business Services	2,600	3,100	3,200	3,600	3,500	2.8
Amusement & Recreation Serv.	1,200	1,100	1,100	1,000	1,100	10.0
Health Services	5,600	5,800	6,100	6,100	6,100	0.0
Social Serv. & Member Orgn	3,100	3,200	3,300	3,500	3,700	5.7
Other Services	5,400	5,600	5,800	6,500	7,000	7.7
Government	19,300	20,300	21,200	21,600	22,400	3.7
Federal Government	700	700	700	700	800	14.3
State & Local Government	18,600	19,600	20,500	20,800	21,600	3.8
State Government	8,700	8,800	8,800	9,000	9,200	2.2
State Education	3,300	3,500	3,500	3,600	3,700	2.8
Other State Government	5,300	5,200	5,300	5,400	5,500	1.9
Local Government	9,900	10,800	11,700	11,800	12,500	5.9
Total, All Industries	82,700	87,000	90,800	94,800	99,000	4.4

Source: State of California Employment Development Department, 2001.

C5 Net Job Growth, continued

20 Occupations with the Largest Projected Growth

	GROWTH RATE CURRENT	GROWTH RATE 1998		2004	New	%	MEDIAN HOURLY
OCCUPATION	RANK	RANK	1997	PROJECTED	Jobs	CHANGE	WAGE
Salespersons, Retail	1	5	3,690	4,230	540	14.6	\$7.23
Cashiers	2	4	2,520	2,890	370	14.7	\$7.25
General Managers/ Top Executive	3	3	2,310	2,530	220	9.5	\$23.56
Corrections Officers, Jailers	4	10	890	1,090	200	22.5	\$20.01
Maintenance Repairers, General Utility	5	11	1,130	1,330	200	17.7	\$19.16
Laborers/Landscaping/	6	17	1,380	1,560	180	13.0	\$7.83
Grounds keeping							
Combined Food Prep & Service	7	NA	1,760	1,930	170	9.7	\$6.19
Computer Support Specialists	8	NA	370	530	160	43.2	\$11.89
General Office Clerks	9	9	2,160	2,320	160	7.4	\$8.88
Teacher Aides, Paraprofessional	10	6	450	600	150	33.3	\$9.60
Teachers - Elementary School	11	1	1,430	1,580	150	10.5	NA
Waiters & Waitresses	12	7	2,020	2,170	150	7.4	\$5.99
Teacher Aides & Education Assistants, Clerical	13	NA	460	590	130	28.3	\$7.77
Food Prep Workers	14	13	950	1,070	120	12.6	\$6.59
Receptionists	15	16	690	800	110	15.9	\$8.16
Police Patrol Officers	16	NA	480	580	100	20.8	\$22.70
Child Care Workers	17	NA	430	520	90	20.9	\$6.93
Human Services Workers	18	NA	160	250	90	56.3	\$11.05
Systems Analysts	19	NA	180	270	90	50.0	\$19.68
Teachers, Preschool	20	NA	480	570	90	18.8	\$9.13

Source: State of California Employment Development Department, 1998.

C6 Average Salaries

Annual Average Salary, by Selected Industry

				98-99
INDUSTRY	1997	1998	1999	% CHANGE
Agriculture	\$16,023	\$17,258	\$18,043	4.5
Mining	\$58,362	\$61,129	\$66,241	8.4
Construction	\$34,514	\$36,076	\$37,454	3.8
Manufacturing	\$42,512	\$44,742	\$49,661	11.0
Transportation / Utilities	\$40,227	\$41,386	\$46,491	12.3
Wholesale Trade	\$40,886	\$43,547	\$45,789	5.1
Retail Trade	\$18,073	\$19,321	\$20,384	5.5
Finance / Insurance / Real Estate	\$47,028	\$51,906	\$54,730	5.4
Services	\$33,384	\$34,630	\$36,906	6.6
Government	\$39,325	\$40,932	\$41,540	1.5
Total	\$33,010	\$34,836	\$37,311	7.1

Source: California Employment Development Department, Labor Market Information Division, 2001.

^{*1997-1998} statistics reflect updates in information.

C7 Median Hourly Pay for Selected Occupations

San Luis Obispo County and California, 1998

JOB CATEGORY	SAN LUIS OBISPO	CALIFORNIA
Dental Hygienists	\$33.92	\$30.23
Computer Engineers	\$19.25	\$32.24
Carpenters	\$14.41	\$17.41
Accountants and Auditors	\$15.87	\$19.72
Laborers, Landscaping, and Repairers	\$7.83	\$8.47
Truck Drivers, Heavy or Tractor- Trailer	\$13.87	\$13.40
Secretaries, Except Legal and Medical	\$11.63	\$12.23
General Office Clerks	\$8.88	\$9.72
Cooks, Restaurant	\$8.14	\$7.58
Cashiers	\$7.25	\$6.49

Source: California Employment Development Department, Labor Market Information Division, 2001.

C8 Child Care

Telephone Survey Results

Thinking about your childcare needs, what kind of childcare do you need for your children but cannot get?

Those with children 0 - 2 years

	199	2001		
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
None needed	32	71.1	22	68.8
Part time (0-6hrs/day)	5	11.1	5	15.6
Full time (6-8hrs/day)	5	11.1	3	9.4
Non traditional hours	1	2.2	2	6.3
Care for a child who is sick	N/A	N/A	1	3.1
Intermittent care	2	4.4	N/A	N/A
Unsure/Did not specify specific need	N/A	N/A	2	6.3
Total	45	99.9	35	109.4

Those with children 3 - 5 years

	1999		2001	
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
None needed	42	75.0	41	70.7
Part time (0-6hrs/day)	5	8.9	6	10.3
Full time (6-8hrs/day)	4	7.1	5	8.6
Non traditional hours	4	7.1	1	1.7
Care for a child who is sick	N/A	N/A	2	3.4
Intermittent care	4	7.1	N/A	N/A
Unsure/Did not specify specific need	N/A	N/A	5	8.6
Total	59	105.4	61	103.4

Those with children 6 - 14 years

1999		9	2001	
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
None needed	72	80.0	114	85.7
Part time (0-6 hrs/day)	8	8.9	5	3.8
Full time (6-8hrs/day)	1	1.1	2	1.5
Non traditional hours	6	6.7	4	3.0
Care for a child who is sick	N/A	N/A	2	1.5
Intermittent care	6	6.7	N/A	N/A
Unsure/Did not specify specific need	N/A	N/A	8	6.0
Total	93	103.3	127	101.5

C8 Child Care, continued

Telephone Survey Results

Where is childcare needed?

Response	Number	Percent
Near home	22	64.7
At or near school	7	20.6
Near work	9	26.5
Total	38	111.8

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

C9 Subsidized Child Care

Subsidized Child Care Requests, Recipients and Waiting Lists, 1999

	Requests for All Types of Child Care	Receiving Subsidized Child Care	Wait List for Subsidized Child Care	Wait List as a % of Those Requesting Subsidized Child Care
Shandon	5	4	1	20%
Paso Robles/San Miguel	333	344	43	13%
Templeton	51	57	11	22%
Atascadero	242	321	16	7%
Santa Margarita/Creston	5	41	2	40%
Cambria	17	12	3	18%
Cayucos	5	21	-	0%
Morro Bay	86	71	9	10%
Los Osos	86	111	16	19%
San Luis Obispo	415	211	16	4%
Pismo Beach	39	27	2	5%
Grover Beach	155	189	18	12%
Arroyo Grande	155	169	27	17%
Oceano	86	46	16	19%
Nipomo	51	176	24	47%
Total	1,731	1,800	204	12%

Source: Children's Services Network, 2001

C10 Government Payments

Telephone Survey Results

Excluding Social Security retirement checks, are you or is anyone in your household now receiving regular payments or benefits from any government program? This would include programs such as MediCare, food stamps, and rent subsidies as well as others.

Response	Number	Percent	
Yes	147	18.4	
No	651	81.6	
Total	798	100.0	

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

Telephone Survey Results

What program or programs would that be?

Response	Number	Percent
MediCare	86	58.5
MediCal	14	9.5
CalWORKS,	1	0.7
Temporary Assistance		
for Needy Families		
(TANF)		
Food Stamps	3	2.0
Social Security	15	10.2
disability payments		
General assistance	4	2.7
Section 8 housing, rent	3	2.0
assistance		
Women, infants and	11	7.5
children (WIC)		
Other	28	19.0
Total	165	112.2

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

C11 Poverty Level

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) & Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC), San Luis Obispo County

					96-97
CHARACTERISTICS OF	1994	1995	1996	1997	%
RECIPIENTS					CHANGE
Persons 18+	3,723	3,773	3,490	2,011	-42.4
Children	6,849	7,030	6,628	4,448	-32.9
Total Persons	10,572	10,803	10,118	6,459	-36.2
Families	3,980	4,143	3,842	2,783	-27.6
GENDER OF RECIPIENTS					
Adult Males	756	790	698	169	-75.8
Adult Females	2,967	2,983	2,792	1,842	-34.0
AGE OF RECIPIENTS					
18–21	427	452	314	198	-36.9
22–39	2,602	2,560	2,394	1,352	-43.5
40–59	686	752	767	459	-40.2
60+	8	9	15	2	-86.7
ETHNICITY OF RECIPIENTS					
Caucasian	1,889	1,825	1,779	1,035	-41.8
African American	100	123	122	66	-45.9
Hispanic	1,638	1,713	1,522	855	-43.8
Asian / Pacific Islander	47	58	34	21	-38.2
Other	49	54	32	34	6.3

Source: San Luis Obispo County Human Resources Agency, AFDC CA237, 1997.

Note: Due to the Welfare Reform Law of 1996, the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program became effective July 1, 1997, and replaced what was commonly known as Welfare (AFDC).

Note: Statistics taken from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

C11 Poverty Level, continued

Welfare-to-Work Participant Profile- May 1999

	Female	Female %	Male	Male %	Total
Number of Participants in a Job Training program	76	87%	11	13%	87
Number of Participants in an Employment program	564	84%	105	16%	669
Number of Participants in a School Program	297	91%	28	9%	325
Total Welfare-to-Work Participants	937	87%	144	13%	1,081

Source: San Luis Obispo County Human Resources Agency, 1999.

Note: Statistics taken from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

C12 School Meal Program/CalWORKS

Percent of school-aged children enrolled in free/reduced cost meal program

District	1997-98	1998-99 19	99-2000	2000-01	% Change 00-01
ATASCADERO UNIFIED	19.4	20.8	20.8	20.2	-2.9
CAYUCOS ELEMENTARY	26.8	26.0	32.2	24.8	-23.0
COAST UNIFIED	27.4	31.9	32.0	30.6	-4.4
LUCIA MAR UNIFIED	43.3	41.4	39.1	36.7	-6.1
PASO ROBLES JOINT UNIFIED	41.6	41.0	40.9	38.8	-5.1
PLEASANT VALLEY JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY	23.7	29.5	NA	20.5	NA
SAN LUIS COASTAL UNIFIED	22.5	22.8	21.7	20.8	-4.1
SAN MIGUEL JOINT UNION ELEMENT	55.5	59.3	54.0	52.7	-2.4
SHANDON JOINT UNIFIED	59.4	56.9	68.2	56.0	-17.9
TEMPLETON UNIFIED	18.8	19.0	15.4	13.4	-13.0
County Total	32.1	31.8	30.9	29.4	-4.9
State Total	47.4	47.6	47.3	46.8	-1.1

Source: California Department of Education, 2001.

Percent of school-aged children receiving AFDC/CalWorks

					% Change
District	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001	00-01
ATASCADERO UNIFIED	7.8%	5.8%	4.3%	3.9%	-9.3%
CAYUCOS ELEMENTARY	9.3%	5.6%	4.5%	4.6%	2.2%
COAST UNIFIED	2.7%	2.6%	2.6%	2.7%	3.8%
LUCIA MAR UNIFIED	11.5%	10.4%	8.5%	5.6%	-34.1%
PASO ROBLES JOINT UNIFIED	9.7%	9.3%	8.2%	6.9%	-15.9%
SAN LUIS COASTAL UNIFIED	6.6%	5.9%	4.9%	4.3%	-12.2%
SAN MIGUEL JOINT UNION ELEMENT	12.9%	11.6%	9.7%	10.1%	4.1%
SHANDON JOINT UNIFIED	7.1%	5.7%	5.8%	3.8%	-34.5%
TEMPLETON UNIFIED	3.6%	3.5%	1.8%	2.0%	11.1%
County Total	8.6%	7.6%	6.2%	5.0%	-19.4%
State Total	18.2%	16.0%	14.3%	12.7%	-11.2%

Source: California Department of Education, 2001.

C13 Building Permit Valuation

San Luis Obispo County

RESIDENTIAL					97-98 %
(IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)	1995	1996	1997	1998	CHANGE
Single Family	\$128,220	\$142,923	\$175,581	\$267,817	52.5
Alterations and Additions	\$13,214	\$13,502	\$15,014	\$15,034	0.1
Total	\$141,434	\$156,425	\$190,595	\$282,851	48.4

Source: California Department of Finance, Construction Industry Research Board, 1999.

Note: Statistics taken from 1999 Action Report. Updated information not available.

Non-Residential	1007	1007	1000	1000	98-99 %
(IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)	1996	1997	1998	1999	CHANGE
Office	2,833	1,136	3,707	3,254	-12.2
Retail	11,255	21,428	27,332	19,200	-29.8
Industrial	659	5,238	10,824	12,337	14.0
Total	40,054	54,595	74,691	93,047	24.6

Source: California Department of Finance, Construction Industry Research Board, 1999.

C14 Travel Spending and Related Impacts

San Luis Obispo County

CATEGORY (\$FIGURES						98-99
ARE IN MILLIONS)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	% CHANGE
Total employment (# of jobs)	15,810	17,260	16,910	16,820	17,510	4.1
Total travel expenditures	215.2	236.5	252.6	264.4	285.0	7.8
Local Tax Receipts	14.3	15.4	16.3	17.4	18.7	7.5
State Tax Receipts	29.6	32.5	34.7	36.5	39.1	7.1

Source: California Trade and Commerce Agency, Division of Tourism, Travel Spending and Related Impacts, 2001.

Transient Occupancy Tax by Jurisdiction

					96-97
CITY / AREA	1994	1995	1996	1997	% CHANGE
Arroyo Grande	\$177,684	\$229,939	\$253,728	\$184,998	-27.0
Atascadero	\$159,063	\$157,887	\$177,733	\$177,359	-0.2
Paso Robles	\$403,536	\$455,561	\$481,843	\$527,206	9.4
Grover Beach	\$39,378	\$46,930	\$61,935	\$112,207	81.1
Morro Bay	\$876,234	\$985,640	\$1,06,577	\$1,101,879	3.2
Pismo Beach	\$2,659,775	\$2,591,098	\$2,917,937	\$2,980,537	2.1
San Luis Obispo	\$2,335,267	\$2,462,000	\$2,648,779	\$2,821,370	6.5
Unincorporated	\$2,294,334	\$2,403,770	\$2,667,170	\$2,879,855	7.9
Total	\$8,945,271	\$9,332,825	\$9,208,751	\$10,785,411	17.1

Source: California Trade and Commerce Agency, Division of Tourism, California Transient Occupancy Tax by Jurisdiction, 1998.

^{*}Note:: Statistics taken directly from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated statistics not available.

C15 Retail Sales

Taxable Sales per Person – County and State, 1997

TYPE OF BUSINESS	COUNTY	STATE
Apparel stores group	\$326	\$349
General merchandise stores	\$649	\$953
Specialty stores group	\$782	\$1,026
Food stores selling all types of liquor	\$409	\$336
All other food stores	\$198	\$147
Packaged liquor stores	\$80	\$54
Eating and drinking group	\$1,037	\$857
Household and home furnishings	\$183	\$180
Household appliance dealers	\$73	\$112
Second-hand merchandise	\$20	\$13
Farm implement dealers	\$33	\$59
Farm and garden supply stores	\$139	\$59
Fuel and ice dealers	\$14	\$12
Building material group	\$569	\$475
Automotive group	\$1,715	\$1,740
Retail stores total	\$6,576	\$6,592
Business and personal services	\$369	\$515
All other outlets	\$2,332	\$3,243
Total all outlets	\$9,276	\$10,349
Total all outlets	\$9,276	\$10,349

Source: California State Board of Equalization, Taxable Sales in California, Thirty-Seventh Annual Report, 1997.

Note: Per capita taxable sales figures are derived by dividing the annual self-assessed taxable sales by the total population for a given area. Department of Finance figures (July-count) are used for yearly population estimates.

C15 Retail Sales, continued

Per Capita Retail Sales (constant 1996 dollars)

						% Change
	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	1999-2000
Arroyo Grande	8,523	8,964	8,910	10,941	12,310	12.5
Atascadero	6,407	6,735	6,643	7,202	7,643	6.1
Grover Beach	3,481	4,418	4,405	4,457	4,441	-0.4
Morro Bay	8,660	8,396	8,329	8,870	9,228	4.0
Paso Robles	10,385	11,161	12,146	13,526	14,811	9.5
Pismo Beach	12,260	12,315	12,193	12,874	13,281	3.2
San Luis Obispo City	12,052	12,485	13,045	14,144	14,893	5.3
Unincorporated Area	2,119	2,178	2,335	2,402	2,367	-1.5
SLO County Total	6,246	6,523	6,742	7,331	7,690	4.9
California	6,476	6,640	6,811	7,124	7,451	4.6

Source: State Board of Equalization via UCSB Economic Forecast Project

Real Retail Sales (in thousands, constant 1996 dollars)

						% Change 1999-2000
	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	
SLO County Total	1,433,800	1,517,900	1,593,800	1,754,400	1,885,500	7.5
Arroyo Grande	127,600	137,000	139,000	173,400	202,200	16.6
Atascadero	156,500	166,400	166,400	181,600	197,100	8.5
Grover Beach	41,600	53,600	54,400	55,800	56,700	1.6
Morro Bay	82,800	80,900	81,000	86,700	92,100	6.2
Paso Robles	219,700	240,000	264,800	301,300	339,500	12.7
Pismo Beach	99,000	101,600	100,900	108,100	114,600	6.0
San Luis Obispo City	499,000	522,000	550,500	600,400	640,800	6.7
Unincorporated Area	207,600	216,600	236,800	247,000	250,100	1.3
California	205,700,000	213,700,000	222,500,000	242,200,000	260,800,000	7.7

Source: State Board of Equalization via UCSB Economic Forecast Project

ACTION for Healthy Communities

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Health Issues

Health and the availability of quality care is a primary concern in any community. The assessment looked at the availability of health care locally.

In telephone and face-to-face surveys, more than 80 percent of respondents said they have a regular source of health care, and 73 percent see a private doctor for their heath care. Seventy percent of telephone respondents had seen their doctor in the past year.

Three of four phone-survey respondents indicated having a regular source of dental care, but only 26 percent of seniors and 39 percent of Latinos said the same. Seventy-two percent of adult respondents said they have had a dental check-up within the past year. Seventy-seven percent say their children have been to the dentist in the past year.

Fifty-nine percent of phone survey respondents said they are "very satisfied" with their healthcare the same as in 1999. The proportion of dissatisfied respondents increased slightly, from seven percent to 10 percent. One in eight county residents said they had needed health care in the past year and had not been able to afford it. For Latinos, the proportion was one in five; for those with income under \$15,000, one in four. Nearly one in three community survey respondents said the same.

Eighty-eight percent of phone respondents said they had health insurance, which is about the same as in 1999. Coverage among Latinos rose from 61 percent to 72 percent. The degree of health coverage, however, may be dropping, as fewer respondents reported having dental and substance-abuse treatment coverage in 2001 than in 1999.

While overall concern about the use of drugs and alcohol remains high (46% of phone-survey respondents said "very concerned," compared to 42% in 1999), concern about abuse at school has declined substantially. Among parents of high schoolers, those saying "very concerned" dropped from 41 percent to 29 percent; among parents of middle schoolers, the drop was from 26 percent to 8.5 percent.

One in eight residents report smoking cigarettes "everyday." Another four percent smoke "some days." Nearly two-thirds of smokers have quit smoking for at least one day in the past year.

Forty-five percent of adults report not drinking on a weekly basis (down from 51 percent in 1999). The proportion of frequent drinkers (6 or more drinks weekly) was unchanged at 17 percent.

Fewer than seven percent of phone-survey respondents said they have been diagnosed with diabetes. Of those, more than half check their blood-sugar level at least once a day. Eleven percent have been diagnosed with asthma; half use medication to control the condition.

An important Indicator of health in a community is that community's own perception of their health. When asked about their state of health, more than two-thirds of residents said they are in "excellent" or "very good" health. Thirty percent cited "excellent" health, up from 21 percent in 1999.

Residents also feel healthy emotionally. Nearly three in four phone-survey respondents said their mental health was "excellent" or "very good.

In terms of preventive health, more than half of telephone respondents reported that they exercise five or more days a week. Two-thirds of women said they have had a mammogram.

D1 Physical Health

Telephone Survey Results

Would you say that, in general, your physical health (including physical illness and injury) is:

Response	1999	9	2001		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Excellent	114	21.0	241	30.0	
Very Good	223	41.0	310	38.6	
Good	144	26.5	187	23.3	
Fair	46	8.5	53	6.6	
Poor	17	3.1	13	1.6	
Total	544	100.0	804	100.0	

D2 Source of Primary Health Care

Telephone Survey Results

Do you have a regular source of primary health care?

	1999		20	01
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	454	83.8	620	79.8
No	88	16.2	157	20.2
Total	542	100	777	100

Telephone Survey Results

If yes, where do you go?

Response	Number	Percent
Private Doctor	332	73.1
Medical Clinics	154	33.9
Emergency room	33	7.3
Total	519	114.3

Note: Multiple response question-454 respondents offered 519 responses.

D3 Last Routine Check Up

Telephone Survey Results

How long has it been since you last visited a doctor for a routine check up?

	1999		2001	
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Within the past year	389	71.6	559	69.8
1 - 2 years	81	14.9	124	15.5
3 - 5 years	39	7.2	70	8.7
More than 5 years ago	27	5.0	41	5.1
Never	7	1.3	7	0.9
Total	543	100.0	801	100.0

Response Percentages, by Respondent Type

	Within the		More than			
Respondent	Past Year	1-2 Years	3-5 Years	5 Years	Never	
Respondents with income less	65.8	19.0	12.7	2.5	0.0	
than \$15,000						
Seniors 55 and Older	87.4	8.1	2.2	2.2	0.0	
Latino	60.5	20.9	11.6	5.8	1.2	
North County	73.1	13.4	7.1	5.1	1.2	
North Coast	69.2	18.2	7.0	5.6	0.0	
San Luis Obispo	60.3	18.3	15.1	5.0	1.4	
South County	76.9	12.9	4.8	4.8	0.5	

D3 Last Routine Check Up, continued

Telephone Survey Results

How long has it been since any of your children visited a doctor for a routine check up?

Time since last visit	Responses	Percent
Within past 6 months (since	129	70.1
August 2000)		
from 6 months to 1 year ago	43	23.4
more than 1 year ago	12	6.5
Total	184	100

D4 Satisfaction with Medical Care

Telephone Survey Results

How satisfied are you with your medical care?

		1999		2001
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Very satisfied	315	59.3	446	59.4
Somewhat satisfied	177	33.3	229	30.5
Not at all satisfied	39	7.3	76	10.1
Total	531	100	751	100

D5 Inability to Receive Medical Care

Telephone Survey Results

Have you or a member of your household needed health care in the past year and been unable to receive it because you could not afford it*?

	19	1999		01
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	54	9.9	100	12.4
No	489	90.1	706	87.6
Total	543	100	806	100

Source: 1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

^{*} added in 2001 survey; answers may not be comparable



Responses, by Respondent Type

Respondent	Yes	No
Respondents with income less	25.6%	74.4%
than \$15,000		
Seniors 60 and Older	6.7%	93.3%
Latino	20.0%	80.0%

D6 Mental Health

Telephone Survey Results

Would you say that in general your mental health (which includes stress, depression and problems with emotions) is:

	19	1999		001
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Excellent	141	25.9	296	36.9
Very Good	253	46.5	297	37.0
Good	115	21.1	159	19.8
Fair	30	5.5	42	5.2
Poor	5	0.9	8	1.0
Total	544	100	802	100

D7 Mental Health Cost

Telephone Survey Results

Have you ever felt the need to talk to a mental health professional but have not had the money or insurance to do so?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	60	7.5
No	741	92.5
Total	801	100

D8 Mental Health Outpatients Clients

San Luis Obispo County, Mental Health Outpatients Clients Served, by Age

Age	1995-1996	1996-1997	1997-1998	1998-1999	1999-2000
1 - 17	840	996	1,061	927	1,153
18 - 54*	1,912	1,834	1,751	1,866	2,345
Over 55*	254	247	238	233	164
Total	3,006	3,077	3,050	3,026	3,662

^{*1999} Figures represent age groups of 18-59 and 60-plus.

Source: San Luis Obispo County, Mental Health Department, 2001.

San Luis Obispo County, Mental Health Outpatients Clients Served, by Gender

Gender	1995-1996	1996-1997	1997-1998	1998-1999	1999-2000
Female	1,472	1,505	1,548	1,519	1,945
Male	1,533	1,569	1,502	1,507	1,717
Total	3,006	3,077	3,050	3,026	3,662

Source: San Luis Obispo County, Mental Health Department, 2001.

San Luis Obispo County, Mental Health Outpatients Clients Served, by Ethnicity

Ethnicity	1995-1996	1996-1997	1997-1998	1998-1999	1999-2000
Caucasian	2,460	2,568	2,538	2,535	2,977
African American	98	96	98	90	105
Hispanic	341	321	328	326	415
Native American	31	20	25	22	40
Asian / Pacific Islander	34	32	30	28	43
Other/Unknown	42	40	31	35	82
Total	3,006	3,077	3,050	3026	3,662

Source: San Luis Obispo County, Mental Health Department, 2001.

Patients Committed for Involuntary Emergency Brief Hospitalizations – 5150's

	1995-1996	1996-1997	1997-1998	1998-1999	1999-2000
Number Committed	714	645	748	591	734

Source: San Luis Obispo County, Mental Health Department, 2001.

D9 Regular Source of Dental Care

Telephone Survey Results

Do you have a regular source of dental care?

	19	1999		2001	
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Yes	409	75.3	594	74.8	
No	134	24.7	200	25.2	
Total	543	100	794	100	

Responses, by Respondent Type

	19	999	20	001
Respondent	Yes	No	Yes	No
Respondents with income less than \$15,000	43.6	56.4	41.5	53.7
Seniors 60 (65 in 2001) and older	73.9	26.1	71.9	27.5
Latino	61.0	39.0	58.1	37.2

D10 Last Dental Check Up

Telephone Survey Results

How long has it been since you visited a dentist for a routine check up?

Time since last visit	Number	Percent
Within the past year	565	71.7
1-2 years	116	14.7
3-5 years	64	8.1
More than 5 years ago	34	4.3
Never	9	1.1
Total	788	100

Telephone Survey Results

How long has it been since any of your children visited a dentist for a routine check up?

Time since last visit	Number	Percent
Within the past year	135	77.1
1-2 years	12	6.9
3-5 years	2	1.1
More than 5 years ago	3	1.7
Never	23	13.1
Total	175	100

D11 Sealants/Dental Education for Child(ren)

Telephone Survey Results

(Has your child / Have any of your children) ever had their teeth sealed by a dentist?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	97	54.8
No	80	45.2
Total	177	100

Telephone Survey Results

In the past year, have you received any information, education, or training on how to take care of your child(ren's) teeth and gums, from a dentist, health class, or school?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	124	70.9
No	51	29.1
Total	175	100

D12 Health Insurance

Telephone Survey Results

Do you have health insurance?

	1999	1999		
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	458	84.5	711	87.9
No	84	15.5	98	12.1
Total	542	100	809	100

Responses by respondent type

	1999		2001	
Response	Yes	No	Yes	No
Income less than \$15,000	70.2	29.8	73.2	26.8
Seniors 55 and older	91.2	8.8	94.3	5.7
Latinos	60.6	39.4	72.1	27.9

If no, why not?

1999

Number	Percent	
21	77.8	
2	7.4	
4	14.8	
27	100	
	21 2 4	

If yes, does it cover:

Dental care

	1999	1999		
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	318	70.4	427	60.9
No	134	29.6	274	39.1
Total	452	100	701	100

D12 Health Insurance, continued

Mental health

	1999		2001	
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	278	83.0	417	80.5
No	57	17.0	101	19.5
Total	335	100	518	100

Regular Physical Exams (Preventive Care)

	1999		2001	
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	389	91.3	643	93.5
No	37	8.7	45	6.5
Total	426	100	688	100

^{*1999} wording was "Preventive care (physicals)"; results may not be comparable.

Substance Abuse Treatment

	1999		2001	
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	235	86.4	335	76.8
No	37	13.6	101	23.2
Total	272	100	436	100

^{*2001} survey added the word "treatment"; results may not be comparable.

Prescriptions

	1999	1999		
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	408	91.1	605	87.1
No	40	8.9	90	12.9
Total	448	100	695	100

Hospitalization

	1999		2001		
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Yes	440	98.4	685	98.7	
No	7	1.6	9	1.3	
Total	447	100	694	100	

D12 Health Insurance, continued

Dependent Spouse and Children

	1999		2001	
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	326	77.6	465	73.0
No	94	22.4	172	27.0
Total	420	100	637	100

D13 MediCal

Number of MediCal Recipients

	July 1996	July 1997	July 1998	July 1999	July 2000	July 2001	% Change 2000-2001
San Luis Obispo County	23,923	22,948	21,841	21,745	22,214	23,110	4.0

Source: California Department of Health Services; http://www.dhs.ca.gov/admin/ffdmb/mcss/RequestedData/files.htm

D14 Exercise/Mammogram

Telephone Survey Results

How many days a week do you engage in physical activity (such as brisk walking or gardening) for a combined total of 30 minutes or more?:

	19	99	2001	
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
None	77	14.2	36	4.5
1-2 days	71	13.1	120	15.2
3-4 days	134	24.6	200	25.3
5 or more days	262	48.2	436	55.1
Total Respondents	544	100	792	100

Source: 1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Surveys.



Telephone Survey Results

Have you ever had a mammogram?

Response	Number	Percent	
Yes	263	66.8	
No	131	33.2	
Total	394	100	

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

Note: Asked only of women.

D15 Child Health and Disability Prevention

Child Health and Disability Prevention Program

CHDP Condition	Referrals 1996	Referrals 1997	% Difference
Behavioral/Developmental	85	86	1%
Nutritional/Growth	40	57	30%
Communicable Disease	2	9	77%
Integumentary (Skin)	9	15	40%
Eyes/Ears/Nose	318	320	1%
Neurological	1	3	66%
Respiratory	15	26	42%
Cardiovascular	16	15	-6%
Blood/Lymph	53	31	-42%
Gastrointestinal	1	7	86%
Endocrine	0	2	200%
Musculoskeletal	30	27	-10%
Genitourinary	51	42	-18%
Dental/Oral	919	906	-1%
Other	107	152	30%

Source: San Luis Obispo County Health and Disability Program Report 1996 & 1997.

Note: The statistics include children who were referred to a specialist or were scheduled to come back to their health care provider for additional diagnosis and treatment due to theses prevalent problems. Department, 1999.

Note: Statistics taken from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

D16 Immunization Levels

Child Care Students, All Centers

Enrollment and Immunization Status,		San Luis Obispo
Ages 2-5	California	County
Number of Students	430,136	2,717
Number of Schools	9,013	81
Percent with medical exemptions	.12	.22
Percent with personal exemptions	.64	6.74
Percent requiring follow-up	5.9	5.9
Percent requiring no follow-up	94.1	94.1

Child Care Students, Public Centers

Enrollment and Immunization Status,		San Luis Obispo
Ages 2-5	California	County
Number of Students	81,076	496
Number of Schools	1,921	20
Percent with medical exemptions	.10	.00
Percent with personal exemptions	.40	1.41
Percent needing one or more immunizations	5.6	4.6
Percent with all required immunizations	94.4	95.4

Child Care Students, Private Centers

Enrollment and Immunization Status,		San Luis Obispo
Ages 2-5	California	County
Number of Students	278,116	1,910
Number of Schools	5,587	49
Percent with medical exemptions	.14	.21
Percent with personal exemptions	.85	9.21
Percent needing one or more immunizations	6.3	5.7
Percent with all required immunizations	93.7	94.3

Child Care Students, Head Start Centers

Enrollment and Immunization Status, Ages 2-5	California	San Luis Obispo County
Number of Students	70,944	311
Number of Schools	1,505	12
Percent with medical exemptions	.05	.64
Percent with personal exemptions	.12	.00
Percent needing one or more immunizations	4.6	9.3
Percent with all required immunizations	95.4	90.7

Source: California Department of Health Services, Immunization Levels in Child Care and Schools, 2000. http://www.dhs.ca.gov/ps/dcdc/izgroup/pdf/ca00.pdf

D16 Immunization Levels, continued

Kindergartners, County and State

% of kindergartners having

immunizations up-to-date	1998	1999	2000
San Luis Obispo County	N/A	N/A	92.4
California	89.3	91.9	92.2

% of kindergartners having

immunizations up-to-date at age 2	1995	1996	1997
Central Coast Region	62.9	63.9	66.6
California	14.6	13.0	11.3
Central Coast Rank (among 7 regions)	T4	1	1

Source: Statewide survey of 1,737 students from 174 schools sponsored by California Department of Health Services Immunization Branch, 2000; health records of kindergartners were examined to see how many children were up-to-date at age two; thus, a three-year time-lag in data (e.g. 1997 data were gathered from kindergartners in 2000).

http://www.dhs.ca.gov/ps/dcdc/izgroup/pdf/ka00.pdf; http://www.dhs.ca.gov/ps/dcdc/izgroup/pdf/krtab00.pdf.

D17 Smoking

Telephone Survey Results

Do you smoke cigarettes everyday, some days, or not at all?

	19	99	20	01
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Everyday	49	9.0	100	12.4
Some days	44	8.1	31	3.9
Not at all	451	82.9	673	83.7
Total	544	100	804	100

^{*}Note: Response choices in 1999 were "Always," "Sometimes" and "Never"; results may not be comparable.

Source: 1999 & 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

Youth Smoking (self-reported)

San Luis Obispo County (1999)	7 th Grade	9 th Grade	11 th Grade
% smoked cigarettes at least once	10	31	44
% smoked cigarettes in past 30 days	6	17	23

Source: Healthy Kids Survey, 2001.

California (1997)	7 th Grade	9 th Grade	11 th Grade
% smoked cigarettes at least once	9	24	41
% smoked cigarettes in past 30 days	7	13	21

Source: California Student Survey, 1999, as reported in California Healthy Kids Survey, 2001.

D18 Smoking, Attempt to Quit

Telephone Survey Results In the past 12 months, have you:

Quit smoking for 1 day or longer?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	88	67.2
No	43	32.8
Total	131	100

Note: Question asked only of those who indicated that they smoke "everyday" or "some days."

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.



Telephone Survey Results

In the past 12 months, have you:

Attended any class or participated in any program to help you stop smoking?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	11	8.4
No	120	91.6
Total	131	100

Note: Question asked only of those who indicated that they smoke "everyday" or "some days."

D19 Smoking Inside Home (Smokeless Tobacco, Pipe)

Telephone Survey Results

In the past 30 days has anyone, including yourself, smoked cigarettes, cigars, or pipes anywhere inside your home?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	97	12.7
No	664	87.3
Total	761	100

Telephone Survey Results

Have there been any non-smokers present in your home while someone was smoking?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	73	75.3
No	24	24.7
Total	97	100

Telephone Survey Results

Do you currently use any smokeless tobacco products, such as chewing tobacco or snuff?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	18	2.4
No	744	97.6
Total	762	100

Telephone Survey Results

Do you currently smoke cigars or a pipe?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	20	2.6
No	745	97.4
Total	765	100

D20 Drug, Tobacco & Alcohol Abuse

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Telephone Survey Results

How concerned are you about the following issues in your community? For each one, please answer "Very Concerned," "Somewhat Concerned," or "Not at all Concerned."

Drug, tobacco & alcohol abuse

	19	99	2001	
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Very concerned	227	42.1	369	45.9
Somewhat concerned	208	38.6	278	34.6
Not at all concerned	104	19.3	157	19.5
Total	539	100	804	100



Telephone Survey Results

How serious would you say the alcohol and drug abuse problem is at your child's school — "Very Serious," "Somewhat Serious," or "Not at all Serious."

Elementary School

	199	9	2001	
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Very serious	11	9.4	6	5.8
Somewhat serious	17	14.5	14	13.5
Not at all serious	75	64.1	71	68.3
Don't know	14	12.0	13	12.5
Total	117	100	104	100

Middle School

	199	9	200	1
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Very serious	12	26.1	4	8.5
Somewhat serious	14	30.4	22	46.8
Not at all serious	16	34.8	11	23.4
Don't know	4	8.7	10	21.3
Total	46	100	47	100

D20 Drug, Tobacco & Alcohol Abuse, continued

High School

	199	1999		2001	
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Very serious	24	41.4	23	28.7	
Somewhat serious	24	41.4	40	50.0	
Not at all serious	9	15.5	11	13.8	
Don't know	1	1.7	6	7.5	
Total	58	100	80	100	

D21 Alcohol Use

Telephone Survey Results

How many servings of alcohol do you generally drink in a week?

	1999		2001	
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
None	279	51.4	358	44.8
1 to 2	104	19.2	171	21.4
3 to 5	65	12.0	129	16.1
6 or more	95	17.5	141	17.6
Total	543	100	799	100

Source: 1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

Alcohol Consumption, National Comparisons

	1996	1997
Persons consuming alcohol in the last month	109,000,000	111,000,000
Percent of National Population	41.1	41.2
Persons engaged in Binge Drinking (5 or more	32,000,000	32,000,000
drinks in a sitting)		
Percent of drinkers engaged in Binge Drinking	29.4	28.8
Persons engaged in Heavy Drinking (Binge	11,000,000	11,200,000
drinking more than 5 times in last month)		
Percent of drinkers engaged in Heavy Drinking	10.1	10.1

Source: 1997 American Household Survey, National Clearinghouse for Drug and Alcohol Information and the Historical National Population Estimates, US Census Bureau, 1999.

Note: National Population counts used for the above percentages are: 1996 (265,189,794) and 1997 (267,743,595).

Note: Statistics taken from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

D22 Student Self-Reports of Substance Use

Percent of Students Who Reported Using Each Substance Ever and in the Last 30 Days, by County and State

	7th Gi	raders	9th Gi	raders	11th G	raders
	SLO		SLO		SLO	
	County	State	County	State	County	State
Behavior	(1999)	(1997)	(1999)	(1997)	(1999)	(1997)
Drink Alcohol (ever)	26	25	59	50	73	70
Been Very Drunk (ever)	9	9	34	23	52	45
Use Inhalants (ever)	8	6	15	8	16	14
Smoke Marijuana (ever)	7	8	29	24	46	45
Drink Alcohol (last 30 days)	13	16	35	29	48	44
Drink 5 Drinks in a Couple of	4	6	21	13	33	26
Hours (last 30 days)						
Use Inhalants (last 30 days)	3	3	5	3	5	3
Smoke Marijuana (last 30 days)	3	8	17	18	25	26

Source: California Healthy Kids Survey, 2001.

National Comparisons - Use in last 12 months

	8th Graders	10th Graders	12th Graders	12th Graders
SUBSTANCE	1993	1993	1993	1996
Alcohol	26	42	51	
Been Drunk	8	20	29	52
Marijuana	5	11	16	36
Cocaine	1	1	1	5
Stimulants	4	4	4	10
Inhalants	5	3	3	8
Nitrites			<1.0	2
Downers			1	5
Hallucinogens	1	2	3	10
PCP			1	3
Narcotics other than heroin			1	5

Source: "Monitoring the Future". Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan, 1993 and 1996.

Note: Statistics taken from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

D23 Deaths by Leading Causes

San Luis Obispo County Age Adjusted Death Rates

Cause	1994-1996	1995-1997
All Deaths	411.7	402
Heart Disease	90.9	88.3
Malignant Neoplasms	119.2	113.9
Lung Cancer	36	33
Breast Cancer	21.7	20
Stroke	20.8	21.2
Unintentional Injury	29.1	29.5
Suicide	12.5	12.4
Homicide	3.6	3
Motor Vehicle	13.3	11.9
Firearm Injuries	8.5	8.3
Drug Related	9	9.6

California Age Adjusted Death Rates

Cause	1994-1996	1995-1997
All Deaths	454.2	439.9
Heart Disease	100.6	96.9
Malignant Neoplasms	115.9	113.3
Lung Cancer	31.8	31
Breast Cancer	19.7	18.9
Stroke	26.3	26.1
Unintentional Injury	26.6	29.3
Suicide	10.7	25.7
Homicide	11.8	10.6
Motor Vehicle	13.2	12.4
Firearm Injuries	15	13.5
Drug Related	8	7.9

Source: Health Data Summaries for California Counties, California Department of Health Services, 1998.

Note: Rate is per 100,000 people.

Note: Statistics taken directly from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

D24 Suicides

Suicide Rate, 1990 - 1999

	1990-1992	1993-1995	1996-1998	1999
San Luis Obispo County Deaths (annual average)	N/A	15.3	12.9	11.3
San Luis Obispo County Age- adjusted suicide death rate	14.6	13.0	11.3	11.3
California Age- adjusted suicide death Rate	11.3	10.9	9.4	9.4

Source: Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics, 2000.

Note: Age-adjusted suicide rates are per 100,000 people.

D25 Reported Communicable Diseases

New Cases Diagnosed

Disease						% Change
	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1997-1998
AIDS	44	42	52	13	19	46.2
Chlamydia	357	200	244	233	334	46.3
Cryptosporidiosis	1	0	2	0	0	
E. Coli	5	5	2	4	2	-50.0
Giardia	47	36	51	58	52	-10.3
Gonorrhea	49	38	44	37	31	-16.2
Hepatitis A	21	19	19	25	9	-64.0
Hepatitis B	4	6	9	2	0	-100.0
Meningitis - Total	19	24	18	37	60	62.2
Pertussis	17	2	6	11	2	-81.8
Salmonellosis	28	45	43	35	33	33.3
Syphilis - Total	11	9	19	3	4	67.7
Tuberculosis	13	34	10	9	9	0.0

Source: San Luis Obispo County Public Health Department, "San Luis Obispo County Health Status Report" July 2000.

AIDS Cases and Cumulative Incidence (1981-July 2001)

AIDS Cases	Total Cases	Living Cases	Deceased Number	Deceased Percent	Incidence per 100,000	Statewide Rank
San Luis Obispo County	469	256	213	45%	191.3	42
California	122,107	47,420	74,687	61%	355.6	

Source: Department of Health Services, 2001; http://www.dhs.ca.gov/ps/ooa/Statistics/pdf/Stats2001/July01stats.pdf

D26 Infant Mortality Rate

Infant Death Rate, San Luis Obispo County and State

1992-1994	1993-1995	1994-1996	1995-1997
19.0	17.0	13.7	12.7
7.1	6.4	5.2	5.0
7.0	6.8	6.4	6.1
31	29	12	18
	19.0 7.1 7.0	19.0 17.0 7.1 6.4 7.0 6.8	19.0 17.0 13.7 7.1 6.4 5.2 7.0 6.8 6.4

Note: Birth Cohort Infant Death Rate are per 1,000 live births.

Note: Because incidence levels, rates are calculated as rolling three-year averages

Source: Department of Health Services, 2001; http://www.dhs.ca.gov/hisp/chs/phweek/cprofile2001/cprofile2001.htm

Infant Death Rate, San Luis Obispo County, by Ethnicity, 1995-1997

Infant Deaths	Asian/Other	Black	Hispanic	White
SLO County Annual Number	0.3	0.0	2.7	9.7
of Infant Deaths (average)				
SLO County Birth Cohort	4.0	0.0	3.8	5.6
Infant Death Rate				
California Birth Cohort Infant	5.3	13.1	5.7	5.5
Death Rate				
SLO County Statewide Rank	26	4	17	29

Note: Birth Cohort Infant Death Rate are per 1,000 live births.

Note: Because incidence levels, rates are calculated as rolling three-year averages

Source: Department of Health Services, 2001; http://www.dhs.ca.gov/hisp/chs/phweek/cprofile2001/cprofile2001.htm

D27 Prenatal Care

Prenatal Care, San Luis Obispo County and State

	1994-1996	1995-1997	1996-1998	1997-1999
San Luis Obispo County percent	20.5	19.7	18.6	17.1
Late or no prenatal care	20.3	15.7	16.0	17.1
California statewide percent	20.9	19.5	18.4	17.4
Late or no prenatal care			4.0	• 0
SLO County statewide rank	22	22	19	20
Late or no prenatal care				
San Luis Obispo County percent	76.0	80.3	81.4	83.8
Adequate/adequate plus prenatal care				
California statewide percent	68.6	67.1	70.5	75.0
Adequate/adequate plus prenatal care				
SLO County statewide rank	9	1	1	1
Adequate/adequate plus prenatal care				

Source: Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics, 2001; http://www.dhs.ca.gov/hisp/chs/phweek/cprofile2001/cprofile2001.htm

Note: Because incidence levels, rates are calculated as rolling three-year averages.

Live Births by Trimester Prenatal Care Began, 1999 (percentages)

	First	Second	Third			County Rank for Receiving Any Prenatal
	Trimester	Trimester	Trimester	None	Unknown	Care
San Luis Obispo County	83.0	13.4	1.9	0.4	1.2	17
California	82.2	13.0	2.5	0.6	1.6	NA

Source: Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics, 2001. http://www.dhs.ca.gov/hisp/chs/OHIR/vssdata/1999Data/99Ch2Excel/2-33-99vJC.xls

Note: The definition of adequate | adequate plus prenatal care includes mothers who initiated prenatal care visits recommended by the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

D28 Birth Weight

Birth weight for all births (percentages) San Luis Obispo County and State, 1999

	Under 1500	1500 - 2499	2500 - 3499	3500 - 4499	4500 Grams	
	Grams	Grams	Grams	Grams	And Over	Unknown
San Luis Obispo County	1.1	3.9	49.7	43.9	1.5	0.0
California	1.1	5.0	52.8	39.4	1.7	0.0

Low birth weight births (as percentage of all births) San Luis Obispo County and State

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
San Luis Obispo County	4.6	5.5	5.4	4.6	4.9
California	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.2	6.1
San Luis Obispo Rank Among California Counties	51	31	33	51	41

Note: Low birthweight is less than 2,500 grams (5 lbs., 8 oz.).

Source: Dept. of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics, 2001.

http://www.dhs.ca.gov/hisp/chs/OHIR/vssdata/1999Data/99Ch2Excel/2-22-99vJC.xls

D29 Teen Birth Rate

Teen Births: San Luis Obispo County and California

Teen Births	1994-1996	1995-1997	1996-1998	1997-1999
SLO County Annual Number	264.3	254.7	249.0	245.0
of Births (average)				
SLO County Teen Birth Rate	32.2	29.5	27.9	30.3
California Birth Rate	66.6	61.7	57.2	53.6
SLO County Rank	4	4	7	11

Note: Birth Rate refers to the number of births to females, ages 15 – 19, per 1,000 women in that age group.

Note: Because incidence levels, rates are calculated as rolling three-year averages

Source: Department of Health Services, 2001; http://www.dhs.ca.gov/hisp/chs/phweek/cprofile2001/cprofile2001.htm

Teen Births by Age and Ethnicity, San Luis Obispo County, 2000

Ethnicity	10-14	15-17	18-19	Total
Caucasian	1	36	87	124
Hispanic	1	32	74	107
Other	0	5	8	12
Total	2	73	169	244

Source: California Department of Health Services, 2001.

D30 Concern With Child Abuse

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Telephone Survey Results

How concerned are you about the following issues in your community? For each one, please answer "Very Concerned," "Somewhat Concerned," or "Not at all Concerned."

Child Abuse

	1999	1	2001	
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Very concerned	240	44.8	448	56.4
Somewhat concerned	158	29.5	213	26.8
Not at all concerned	138	25.7	133	16.8
Total	536	100	794	100

D31 Diabetes and Asthma

Telephone Survey Results

[If female, add: Other than during pregnancy], has a doctor ever told you that you have diabetes or sugar diabetes?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	53	6.6
No	746	93.4
Total	799	100

Telephone Survey Results

About how many times per day, per week, or per month do you or a family member or friend check your blood for glucose or sugar?

Response	Number	Percent
1 time per day	11	22.9
More than 1 time per day	14	29.2
1 or more times per month	16	33.3
Never	7	14.6
Total	48	100

Telephone Survey Results

Has a doctor ever told you that you have asthma?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	89	11.1
No	713	88.9
Total	802	100

Telephone Survey Results

Are you currently taking any medications to control your asthma, including an inhaler?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	44	50.6
No	43	49.4
Total	87	100

D32 Caregivers/Healthy Families Program

Telephone Survey Results

Are you the caregiver to a disabled child, disabled adult or older person?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	64	8.5
No	693	91.5
Total	757	100

Telephone Survey Results

Have you ever heard of the Healthy Families Program?

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	96	51.6
No	90	48.4
Total	186	100

Note: Question asked only of those who have children age 14 or younger.

ACTION for Healthy Communities

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Natural Environment Issues

People greatly affect the natural environment – and are greatly affected by it! Key environment issues include not only the degree to which negative impacts are avoided (such as pollution and crowding), but also the degree to which positive impacts are created (such as parks and public transportation).

From 1999 to 2001, public perceptions regarding the best things in San Luis Obispo County have remained essentially the same. However, perceptions about the things that detract from the quality of life have shifted.

Temperate weather is still considered the county's greatest asset, as noted by nearly a quarter of respondents. Other popular responses from 1999 continued to be popular in 2001, including the small-town quality (mentioned by 17%), natural beauty (14%), clean air/environment (14%), friendliness of people (11%) and general quality of life (10%).

In terms of things that detract from the quality of life, "nothing" continued to be the most frequently mentioned response (17%), followed by too many people (13%) and too much crowding/growth (11%). Emerging concerns include the cost of housing (8%) and concern about healthcare options (3%), both of which were mentioned twice as frequently in 2001 as in 1999. Diversity concerns rose by half (to 6%). Declining concerns included crime (from 6% to 2%) roads (from 8% to 5%).

When asked about specific environmental issues, County residents expressed a fairly strong degree of concern across the board. Nearly half of respondents said they were "very concerned" with water quality (47%). This concern was followed by loss of wildlife habitat (39%), building in open space (39%) and traffic congestion (38%). While growth is a concern for many, county data indicates that growth patterns are favorable, with most new construction occurring in established urban areas (and that percentage rising).

A less favorable finding is that county residents and businesses are using more energy per user. Over the last five years, per-capita usage has increased 10 percent.

Public transportation is still an unknown for many county residents. More than a quarter of county residents did not respond to a question about the quality of public transport. Among those who did respond, three out of four rated public transportation "good" or better.

Another quality of life issue is recreation. Nearly two-thirds rate recreation facilities and opportunities "very good" or "excellent." Self-reported usage of recreation facilities indicates that one resident in four is an avid user, visiting parks, trails or beaches more than 10 times during a three-month period (fall and winter months). Most residents are occasional users (1-10 visits), while one in five residents did not visit an outdoor recreation facility. More than 60 percent agree that the county should spend more on recreation.

E1 Quality of Life

Telephone Survey Results

What one thing contributes to your quality of life in San Luis Obispo County?

	19	99	20	001
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Climate	128	23.6	192	24.4
Small-town quality	102	18.8	131	16.7
Natural beauty/open space	103	19.0	60	14.3
Clean air/environment	28	5.2	112	14.2
Sense of community/friendly people	69	12.7	90	11.5
Area/county/quality of life	55	10.1	76	9.7
Peaceful/quiet	24	4.4	45	5.7
Low crime/safe/security	27	5.0	45	5.7
Activities/clubs/recreation	7	1.3	35	4.5
General locale	19	3.5	30	3.8
Minimal traffic	7	1.3	24	3.1
Colleges/good schools	6	1.1	16	2.0
Everything	18	3.3	15	1.9
Identifiable/pleasant downtown	2	0.4	13	1.7
Growth/environmental concern	1	0.2	11	1.4
Family/friends/home/long-time residents	16	3.0	10	1.3
Cultural climate	0	0.0	4	0.5
Employment opportunities	2	0.4	4	0.5
Local businesses/services	3	0.6	2	0.3
Don't know	3	0.6	3	0.4
Other	30	5.5	41	5.2

Multiple-response question with 542 respondents offering 650 responses in 1999, and 786 respondents offering 1,012 responses in 2001.

E1 Quality of Life, continued

Telephone Survey Results

What one thing do you think takes away from your quality of life in San Luis Obispo County?

	1999		2001	
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Nothing	100	18.9	118	16.6
Population too large	18	3.4	92	12.9
Too much growth/poor growth planning	67	12.7	81	11.4
Cost of housing	19	3.6	57	8.0
Cost of living	30	5.7	50	7.0
Lack of commercial/industrial growth	29	5.5	47	6.6
Insular attitudes/Lack of diversity	22	4.2	45	6.3
Lack of cultural activities/recreation	25	4.7	34	4.8
Poor road infrastructure	43	8.1	33	4.6
Bad local government	18	3.4	33	4.6
Lack of employment opportunities	28	5.3	24	3.4
Lack of quality, affordable healthcare	8	1.5	22	3.1
options				
Climate (summertime heat/fog/wind/cold)	19	3.6	13	1.8
Crime/gangs/kidnapping	33	6.2	12	1.7
Too many malls/chain stores	5	0.9	12	1.7
Location/access to city	16	3.0	8	1.1
Don't Know	12	2.3	5	0.7
Other	84	15.9	139	19.5

Multiple-response question with 530 respondents offering 577 responses in 1999, and 711 respondents offering 825 responses in 2001.

E2 Natural Environment Concerns

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Telephone Survey Results

How concerned are you about the following issues in your community? For each one, please answer "Very Concerned," "Somewhat Concerned," or "Not at all Concerned."

Building in open space

Response	Number	Percent
Very concerned	308	38.6
Somewhat concerned	303	38.0
Not at all concerned	187	23.4
Total	798	100

Loss of wildlife habitat

Response	Number	Percent
Very concerned	312	39.0
Somewhat concerned	309	38.6
Not at all concerned	180	22.5
Total	801	100

Water quality

Response	Number	Percent
Very concerned	375	46.9
Somewhat concerned	270	33.8
Not at all concerned	154	19.3
Total	799	100

Air pollution

Response	Number	Percent
Very concerned	253	31.4
Somewhat concerned	304	37.7
Not at all concerned	249	30.9
Total	806	100

E2 Natural Environment Concerns, continued

Traffic congestion

Response	Number	Percent
Very concerned	307	38.0
Somewhat concerned	309	38.3
Not at all concerned	191	23.7
Total	807	100

E3 Growth Patterns

Urban vs. Rural Development

	1993-1995	1994-1996	1995-1997	1996-1998	1997-1999
Rural Dwelling Units Completed as	21.3	19.9	20.1	17.3	17.4
a Percentage of all Dwelling Units					

Note: Percentage refers to the number of new dwelling units completed in the county's rural areas vs. those completed in the cities and unincorporated communities.

Source: San Luis Obispo Department of Planning & Building

Traffic Volume (21 monitored road segments)

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Peak-hour Traffic Volume	13,342	12,959	14,611	14,687	16,433
Peak-hour Traffic Per Capita	0.156	0.150	0.167	0.165	0.182

Note: Measure of total peak hour traffic volume for 21 road segments in the county-maintained road network. Traffic on state highways and city streets is not included.

Source: San Luis Obispo Department of Planning & Building, 2001.

E4 School Overcrowding

Percentage of Students Attending Overcrowded Schools

 1994
 1995
 1996
 1997
 1998
 1999
 2000

 San Luis Obispo County
 76.9%
 77.8%
 74.9%
 62.1%
 63.7%
 61.7%
 64.3%

Enrollment vs. Capacity, by School

District	School	Capacity	Enrollment	Enrollment as % of Capacity	RLOS*
Cayucos Elementary	Cayucos Elementary	240	292	122%	III
Shandon Unified	Shandon Elementary	150	173	115%	III
	Shandon Jr/Sr H.S.	100	150	150%	III
Coast Unified	Cambria Elementary	191	356	186%	III
	Santa Lucia Middle	103	190	184%	III
	Coast Union H.S.	506	319	63%	OK
San Miguel Joint Union	Lillian Larson K-8	250	463	185%	III
Paso Robles	Paso Robles Elem (5)	2,860	2,806	98%	II
	Paso Robles Mdl (2)	1,170	1,414	121%	III
	Paso Robles H.S.	1,508	2,055	136%	III
Templeton Unified	Templeton Elem (2)	450	992	220%	III
	Templeton Middle	350	556	159%	III
	Templeton H.S.	425	673	158%	III
Atascadero Unified	Atascadero Elem (4)	1,708	2,328	136%	III
	Atascadero Jr. High	1,246	865	69%	OK
	Atascadero H.S.	1,929	1,752	90%	II
	Carrisa Plains K-8	53	46	87%	OK
	Creston Elementary	40	110	275%	III
	Santa Margarita Elem	358	403	113%	III
San Luis Coastal Unified	Los Osos Elem (3)	1,640	1,099	67%	OK
	Los Osos Middle	650	502	77%	OK
	Morro Bay H. S.	1,000	986	99%	II
	Morro Bay Elem (2)	1,100	547	50%	OK
	SLO Area Elem (7)	3,990	2,668	67%	OK
	Laguna Middle	850	836	98%	II
	San Luis H.S.	1,564	1,647	105%	III
Bellevue-Santa Fe	K-8 (Charter)	170	146	86%	OK
Lucia Mar Unified	Five Cities Elem (8)	3,545	4,214	119%	III
	Middle Schools (3)	1,810	1,997	110%	III
	Arroyo Grande H.S.	1,500	3,212	214%	III
	Nipomo Elem (2)	1,050	1,388	132%	III

^{*}RLOS stands for "Recommended Level of Severity." Levels include:

Level I: When enrollment projections reach school capacity within seven years

Level II: When enrollment projections reach school capacity within five years

Level III: When enrollment equals or exceeds school capacity

Source: San Luis Obispo County Department of Planning & Building, 2001..

E5 Agricultural and Open Space

Harvested, Pasture and Total Acreage

Acreage (thousands)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	% Change from 1998-1999
Harvested Acreage	126.3	128.9	140.2	117.3	118.4	0.9
Pasture Acreage	1,232.8	1,232.4	1,232.4	1,208.0	1,200.0	-0.7
Total	1,359.1	1,361.3	1,372.6	1,325.3	1,318.3	-0.5

Source: UCSB Economic Forecast Project, 2001

Preliminary Countywide Open Space Inventory

Open Space Resources	Total Open Space Acres	Permanently Protected	Temporarily Protected	Unprotected
U.S. Forest Service	188,000		188,000	P
U.S. Bureau of Land Management	241,493		241,493	
State Parks, Beaches & Reserves	14,549	14,549		
County & City Parks & Open Space	14,326	14,326		
County Agricultural Use Category	1,387,200		807,000	580,200
County Irrigated Agricultural Land	60,000		42,000	18,000
County Open Space Land Use Category	211,900			
Total Open Space Acres	2,057,468	28,875	1,236,493	580,200

Source: County Department of Planning & Building, 2001

Note: The above table is a preliminary inventory of open space resources. The County intends to develop a comprehensive listing of open space resources to monitor changes over time.

E6 Parks

Telephone Survey Results

In the past three months, how many times have you visited any outdoor recreation facility in SLO County such as a park, trail, or beach?

Response	Number	Percent
None	175	21.8
1-2	124	15.4
3-5	179	22.3
6-10	118	14.7
11-25	108	13.4
26-50	64	8.0
More than 50	36	4.5
Total	804	100

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.



Telephone Survey Results

How would you rate SLO county in the following area:

Parks and Recreation Opportunities

Response	Number	Percent
Excellent	200	25.3
Very Good	320	40.6
Good	207	26.2
Fair	52	6.6
Poor	10	1.3
Total	789	100

E7 Funding for Outdoor Activities

Telephone Survey Results

Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements:

"The county should spend more money to: Buy and preserve open spaces"

Response	Number	Percent
Strongly agree	239	30.1
Agree	213	26.8
Neutral	198	24.9
Disagree	98	12.3
Strongly Disagree	46	5.8
Total	794	100

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

Telephone Survey Results

Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements:

"The county should spend more money to: Construct public recreation facilities"

Response	Number	Percent
Strongly agree	176	22.3
Agree	314	39.7
Neutral	207	26.2
Disagree	69	8.7
Strongly Disagree	24	3.0
Total	790	100

E8 Public Transportation

Telephone Survey Results

How would you rate SLO county in the following area:

Public Transportation Services

Response	Number	Percent
Excellent	83	14.0
Very Good	178	30.1
Good	192	32.4
Fair	73	12.3
Poor	66	11.1
Total	592	100

E9 Air Quality

Summary: Total days exceeding state air quality standards

Location	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Ozone	4	3	8	20	0	27	2
Particulate Matter (10)	39	2	10	16	18	12	10

Source: San Luis Obispo County Department of Planning & Building, Annual Resource Summary Report 2000.

Number of days exceeding safe levels of ozone

Location	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Paso Robles	0	1	7	11	0	25	1
Atascadero	2	2	1	7	0	2	0
San Luis	0	0	0	0	0	0	NA
Obispo							
Morro Bay	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Grover Beach	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nipomo- South	1	0	0	1			
Wilson							
Nipomo					0	0	0
Regional Park							
Nipomo Mesa-	1	N/A	0	1	0	0	NA
Guadalupe Rd.							
Total	4	3	8	20	0	27	2

Source: San Luis Obispo County Department of Planning & Building, Annual Resource Summary Report 2000.

Note: The above chart refers only to exceedance of parts per million State Ambient Air Quality Standards (SAAQS), and does not include exceedances of national standards. The Nipomo South Wilson Monitoring station closed in 1997, and reopened nearby at the Regional Park (Tefft and Pomeroy) site in 1998. In 1997, there were no ozone excess dances due to complex climatological effects resulting from El Nino.

Ozone: Exposure to unhealthful levels of ozone can result in chest pain, coughing, nausea, shortness of breath, headaches, congestion and throat irritation. Most at risk during high ozone levels are children, the elderly, pregnant women, and individuals with asthma. About 40% of the county's ozone is produced from vehicle exhaust, while other sources include industrial fuel combustion, pesticides, and waste burning.

E9 Air Quality, continued

Number of days exceeding safe levels of Particulate Matter

Location	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Paso Robles	2	0	3	0	1	1	1
Atascadero	5	1	3	0	1	0	0
San Luis	1	1	1	0	2	0	0
Obispo							
Morro Bay	2	0	0	0	1	0	0
Nipomo- South	1	1	1	0	NA		
Wilson							
Nipomo-						0	0
Regional Park							
Nipomo UCD1	10	6	4	6	5	4	4

Source: San Luis Obispo County Department of Planning & Building, Annual Resource Summary Report 2000.

Note: The above chart refers only to exceedance of parts per million State Ambient Air Quality Standards (SAAQS), and does not include exceedances of national standards. The Nipomo South Wilson Monitoring station closed in 1997, and reopened nearby at the Regional Park (Tefft and Pomeroy) site in 1998.

Particulate Matter (PM 10) refers to the mixture of solid particles and liquid droplets found in the air that are less than 10 microns in size. Studies have linked high levels of particulate matter to aggravated asthma and acute respiratory symptoms, chronic bronchitis, decreased lung function, and premature death. In San Luis Obispo County, the single largest source of PM10 is re-entrained dust from vehicles driving on unpaved roads. Other sources can be grinding operations, fuel combustion, agricultural burning and wood stoves.

E10 Water Supply & Consumption

Water Use per Service Connection (gallons per day)

Region	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Inland	626.5	705.4	713.4	696.2	652.7	752.0
Coastal	353.3	357.6	377.3	364.6	327.8	366.1

Note: includes County's major water suppliers - the incorporated cities, community service districts and major private water companies

Source: Water purveyors; San Luis Obispo County Department of Planning & Building

Community Water Supply & Distribution, 2000

Recommended Level of Severity Community Reason Avila Beach None Cambria II Seasonal supply shortage Cayucos II Pending determination of growth rate Garden Farms II Inadequate pumping capacity during drought Heritage Ranch None Los Ranchos/Edna None Nipomo II Possible basin overdraft per DWR groundwater study None Oceano I San Miguel/S.L. Terrance Basin overdraft (Paso Robles Basin) San Simeon Ш CSD moratorium; supply uncertainty during Santa Margarita I Supply uncertainty during drought Shandon I Basin overdraft (Paso Robles Basin) II Los Osos Potential for seawater intrusion Templeton П Supply fully allocated; Basin overdraft (Paso Robles Basin)

Level of Severity I: When projected water demand over the next nine years equals or exceeds the estimated dependable supply

Level of Severity II: When projected water demand over the next seven years equals or exceeds the estimated dependable supply

Level of Severity III: When the existing water demand equals or exceeds the dependable supply

Source: County Department of Planning & Building, 2000 Annual Resource Summary Report

E11 Water Quality

Number of Public Well Systems Exceeding State Standards

Type of Contaminant	1996-97	1997-98
Bacteriological	16	16
Nitrates	0	3
Selenium	4	0
Total Monthly Sample Exceedances	20	19

Note: The above exceedances do not total to 12 months, as some water systems did not pass monthly sampling on more than one occasion.

Total Number of Public Well Systems Exceeding State Standards

	1997		19	98
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Public well systems sampled monthly	160	100	160	100
Wells exceeding standards for bacteria	12	7.5	13	8.1
Wells corrected for bacteriological contamination	8	66.6	7	53.8
Wells exceeding standards for Nitrate	0	0	3	1.8
Wells corrected for Nitrate contamination	0	0	3	100
Wells exceeding standards for Selenium	4	2.5	0	0
Wells corrected for Selenium contamination	4	100	0	0
Failure rate for all primacy water systems		1		0.9

Source: Environmental Health Division-Public Health Department, San Luis Obispo County, 1999.

Note: Public well systems are small systems serving fewer than 200 people, and that are monitored monthly. The county does not monitor private wells. Drinking water should not contain any bacteria, yet bacteriological contamination does not necessarily result in illness. Selenium contamination is more serious, and in too high of levels can result in neurological damage. Contamination is often due to industry runoff. The County worked with each well site and the necessary corrections were made. Nitrate contamination is also serious, in that it displaces oxygen in the blood. Nitrates are usually due to fertilizer and wastewater runoff. Fortunately, the County again worked with parties responsible at each well site to correct the contaminations.

Note: Statistics taken from 1999 Action Report. Updated information not available.

E12 Energy Use

Per Capita Electricity Deliveries, by Sector (in kilowatt hours)

								% Change
	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	'99 to '00
Residential	2,227	2,242	2,302	2,328	2,386	2,439	2,475	1.5
Commercial	1,879	1,903	1,955	2,014	2,007	2,119	2,194	3.5
Industrial	431	412	374	416	384	419	443	5.7
Agricultural	346	343	364	398	337	399	381	-4.5

Source: California Energy Commission

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Public Safety

In looking at issues of public safety, the assessment examined local crime statistics, for both juveniles and adults, statistics from local law enforcement and social service agencies, and sought public opinion.

When it comes to local crime, the latest statistics, for 2000, show that the crime rate leveling off after sharp declines in recent years. The per-capita crime rate showed a tiny increase for both violent and property crimes in 2000. However, violent crime in 2000 was only half as frequent as in 1995, and the countywide FBI crime index was down by more than 25 percent since 1995.

Among specific crimes in 2000, per capita robberies and car thefts both notched increases of more than 10 percent, while homicides, rapes and arson incidents all decreased by more than 20 percent.

Regional changes in violent crime varied by location. Violent crime reports decreased in 2000 by more than 20 percent in Arroyo Grande, Grover Beach, Morro Bay and Paso Robles. However, violent crimes increased by a similar rate in Atascadero and Pismo Beach. For most cities, the direction of change reversed from the 1998-1999 change – the exceptions being Grover Beach and Morro Bay, where violent crime decreased for the second straight year.

Property crimes were also down sharply in Grover Beach (-20%) and Morro Bay (-34%), down slightly in Arroyo Grande (-9%), nearly stable in San Luis Obispo (+4%), up slightly in Pismo Beach (+8%) and Atascadero (12%) and up sharply in Paso Robles (21%).

A bright spot in public safety is in the area of domestic abuse. The number and rate of calls in the county have decreased for four consecutive years. The call rate for the county is less than half of the state average.

Juvenile crime was mixed in 2000. The felony arrest rate dropped for the third straight year, and remains far below the state average. Misdemeanor juvenile arrests, however, rose in 2000, slightly exceeding the state average. The increase reversed a three-year downward trend.

One area of particular concern is drunk driving. While the adult and juvenile DUI arrest rates were down somewhat in 2000, both rates far exceed state averages. While this may be due in part to a high concentration of college students, it is consistent with higher-than-average drinking rates among high school students noted in the Health section of this report.

Public concerns about crime remain high. Forty percent of phone-survey respondents say they are "very concerned" about crime; 37 percent say the same about gangs. Similarly, 42 percent of phone-survey respondents saying they were "very concerned" about family violence in their community and 39 percent are "very concerned" about senior abuse.

Feelings about overall security, however, have improved. According to telephone survey results, 84 percent of respondents said they feel "very safe" in their neighborhoods, a 10 percent increase since 1999. Regionally, the greatest increases were noted in San Luis Obispo, where those indicating "very safe" increased from 61 percent to 82 percent and in South County (from 72% to 88%).

F1 Neighborhood Safety

Telephone Survey Results

How safe would you say you feel in your neighborhood?

	19	99	2001		
RESPONSE	Number	PERCENT	Number	PERCENT	
Very safe	399	73.6	680	84.3	
Somewhat safe	131	24.2	119	14.7	
Not at all safe	12	2.2	8	1.0	
Total	542	100	807	100	

Responses by Area of Residence

	NORTH COUNTY		North	NORTH COAST		SAN LUIS OBISPO		COUNTY
	1999	2001	1999	2001	1999	2001	1999	2001
RESPONSE	PERCENT	PERCENT	PERCENT	PERCENT	PERCENT	PERCENT	PERCENT	PERCENT
Very safe	76.6	81.7	83.2	88.1	61.1	81.9	71.6	87.6
Somewhat safe	22.9	16.3	15.9	11.2	32.4	17.6	26.4	11.8
Not at all safe	0.6	1.9	0.9	0.7	6.5	0.5	2.0	0.5
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

Note: The low 1999 "Very safe" results for the City of San Luis Obispo are likely due to the fact that the 1999 survey was conducted at a time when the disappearance of three students was receiving widespread news coverage and publicity.

F2 School & Neighborhood Safety

Children Feel Safe at School & in their Neighborhood

Grade Level	% Feel Safe at School	% Feel Safe in Neighborhood
7 th Grade	92	93
9 th Grade	88	93
11 th Grade	90	94

Source: Healthy Kids Survey, 2001.

F3 Public Safety Concerns

Telephone Survey Results

How concerned are you about the following issues in your community? For each one, please answer "Very Concerned," "Somewhat Concerned," or "Not at all Concerned."

Crime

	199	99	2001		
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Very Concerned	192	35.5	321	39.9	
Somewhat Concerned	249	46.0	327	40.7	
Not at all Concerned	100	18.5	156	19.4	
Total	541	100	804	100	

Source: 1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

Gangs

	1999			2001			
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent			
Very Concerned	180	33.1	291	36.6			
Somewhat Concerned	185	34.1	242	30.4			
Not at all Concerned	178	32.8	262	33			
Total	543	100	795	100			

F4 Prevalence of Street Gangs

Gang Task Force

Since its inception in 1990, (pursuant to Penal Code Section 186.20), the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Department Gang Task Force has successfully prosecuted and had court certified as criminal street gangs eleven separate groups. These groups operated throughout the entire County. As of June 1999, there were six active criminal street gangs operating in San Luis Obispo County.

Penal Code Sections 186.20 (f) defines "criminal street gang" as any ongoing organization,

association, or group of three or more persons, whether formal or informal, having as one of its primary activities the commission of one or more of the criminal acts enumerated in Paragraphs (1) to (23), inclusive, of subdivision (e), having a common name or common identifying sign or symbol, and whose members individually or collectively engage in or have engaged in a pattern of criminal gang activity.

San Luis Obispo Sheriff's Department, Gang Task Force, 1999.

F5 Hate Crimes

Number of Hate Crime Victims, County & State, 1999

Location	Number of Victims	Victims per 100,000 people
San Luis Obispo County	29	11.75
California	2,436	7.19

Source: Hate Crime in California, 1999. Per capita measures based on 2000 census population figures.

F6 Crime Rate for Selected Areas

Definition of Crimes

<u>Homicide</u>: the willful (nonnegligent) killing of one human being by another. Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter are included in this definition.

Rape: the carnal knowledge of a female forcibly and against her will.

Robbery: the taking or attempting to take anything of value from the custody, care, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by creating fear in the victim.

Aggravated Assault: an unlawful attack or attempted attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. This type of assault is usually accompanied by the use of

a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm.

<u>Burglary</u>: the unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or a theft.

Motor Vehicle Theft: the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle.

<u>Larceny:</u> the unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession of another (except embezzlement, fraud, forgery, and worthless checks).

Arson: any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc.

Source: California Criminal Justice Profile, 1998.

F6 Crime Rate for Selected Areas, continued

San Luis Obispo County – Violent Crime Rate (crimes per 1,000 population)

							99-00 %
CRIME	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Homicide	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.01	-27.7
Rape	0.29	0.34	0.45	0.53	0.35	0.28	-21.0
Robbery	0.38	0.30	0.38	0.33	0.24	0.28	18.2
Aggravated Assault	6.06	3.28	3.01	2.56	2.14	2.22	3.9
Total Violent Crime	6.77	3.94	3.87	3.45	2.74	2.79	1.8

San Luis Obispo County – Property Crime Rate (crimes per 1,000 population)

							99-00 %
CRIME	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Burglary	8.60	6.74	6.49	6.44	5.33	5.41	1.3
Larceny	22.56	22.08	18.68	19.54	18.64	18.83	1.0
Auto Theft	1.60	1.25	1.36	1.47	1.41	1.61	14.1
Arson	0.71	0.53	0.40	0.39	0.64	0.50	-23.0
Total Property Crime	33.48	30.60	26.93	27.83	26.03	26.34	1.2

Combined Total FBI Crime Rate (crimes per 1,000 population)

FBI CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Total, Eight Major Crimes	40.25	34.54	30.80	31.29	28.77	29.13	1.3

Source: California Department of Justice Law Enforcement Information Center, 2001 (http://justice.hdcdojnet.state.ca.us/cjsc_stats/prof00/40/11.pdf,

Note: Typically the FBI Crime Rate is rendered as crimes per 100,000 population. Due to the smaller population of cities in the county, crime rate is reflected in this report as crimes per 1,000 population.

F6 Crime Rate for Selected Areas, continued

County Overview

Violent Crime Rate (crimes per 1,000 population)

						99-00 %
1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
5.3	2.9	2.5	1.0	1.5	1.1	-26.7
4.2	2.4	4.1	4.2	3.2	5.1	59.4
3.9	3.0	4.1	4.5	3.5	2.1	-40.0
7.5	9.1	7.6	8.7	6.2	4.9	-21.0
7.4	5.1	3.8	2.8	4.1	2.4	-41.5
6.7	4.0	3.0	3.1	2.1	2.7	28.6
7.5	5.5	4.6	3.7	2.7	3.0	11.1
7.2	3.1	3.2	3.0	1.8	2.1	16.7
6.8	3.9	3.9	3.5	2.7	2.8	1.8
9.5	8.5	7.8	6.9	6.1	6.1	0.0
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Property Crime Rate (crimes per 1,000 population)

							99-00 %
Jurisdiction	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Arroyo Grande	36.5	34.0	32.8	27.0	26.8	24.5	-8.6
Atascadero	37.7	34.6	28.5	29.5	22.0	24.6	11.8
Grover Beach	42.4	40.5	39.3	28.8	28.1	22.6	-19.6
Morro Bay	40.2	32.3	27.3	21.8	25.5	16.9	-33.7
Paso Robles	38.5	36.4	28.5	27.6	28.0	33.8	20.7
Pismo Beach	49.6	46.6	52.5	39.1	41.4	44.6	7.7
City of San Luis Obispo	43.5	42.8	40.7	45.9	44.5	46.1	3.6
Unincorporated Areas	17.5	14.8	12.3	14.6	11.9	12.3	3.4
County Total	33.5	30.6	26.9	27.8	26.0	26.3	1.2
State Total	48.4	43.3	40.3	35.9	31.4	31.0	-1.2

Combined Total FBI Crime Rate (crimes per 1,000 population)

							99-00 %
Jurisdiction	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Arroyo Grande	41.8	36.9	35.3	28.1	28.3	25.6	-9.5
Atascadero	41.8	37.0	32.6	33.6	25.2	29.6	17.5
Grover Beach	46.3	43.6	43.4	33.3	31.6	24.7	-21.8
Morro Bay	47.8	41.4	34.9	30.5	31.7	21.8	-31.2
Paso Robles	45.9	41.5	32.4	30.4	32.1	36.2	12.8
Pismo Beach	56.3	50.6	55.5	42.2	43.5	47.2	8.5
City of San Luis Obispo	51.1	48.3	45.4	49.6	47.2	49.1	4.0
Unincorporated Areas	24.7	17.8	15.5	17.5	14.0	14.4	2.9
County Total	40.2	34.5	30.8	31.3	28.8	29.1	1.3
State Total	58.0	51.7	48.1	42.8	37.5	37.1	-1.0

Source: California Department of Justice Law Enforcement Information Center, 2001 (http://justice.hdcdojnet.state.ca.us/cjsc_stats/prof00/40/11.pdf,

Arroyo Grande

VIOLENT CRIME RATE (CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	99-00 % Change
Homicide	0.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	NA
Rape	0.00	0.33	0.20	0.00	0.32	0.25	-21.9
Robbery	0.67	0.47	0.79	0.52	0.32	0.19	-40.6
Aggravated Assault	4.52	2.07	1.52	0.52	0.90	0.63	-30.0
Total Violent Crime	5.32	2.87	2.51	1.04	1.54	1.07	-30.5

PROPERTY CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Burglary	8.02	5.01	6.47	4.57	4.61	4.61	0.0
Larceny	26.89	27.58	24.84	20.29	20.66	18.86	-8.7
Auto Theft	1.01	1.00	0.92	1.89	1.15	0.95	-17.4
Arson	0.54	0.40	0.59	0.26	0.38	0.06	-84.2
Total Property Crime	36.46	33.99	32.83	27.01	26.81	24.48	-8.7

FBI CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Total, Eight Major Crimes	41.80	36.90	35.30	28.10	28.30	25.60	-9.5

Sources: California Department of Justice Law Enforcement Information Center, 2001, U.S. Census, 2000 (http://justice.hdcdojnet.state.ca.us/cjsc_stats/prof00/40/11.pdf, http://www.census.gov/population/estimates/metrocity/placebyco/SC99T8_CA.txt)

Atascadero

VIOLENT CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Homicide	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	NA
Rape	0.21	0.21	0.37	0.61	0.32	0.19	-40.6
Robbery	0.38	0.33	0.37	0.69	0.20	0.27	35.0
Aggravated Assault	3.56	1.86	3.36	NA	2.66	4.62	73.7
Total Violent Crime	4.15	2.40	4.09	4.18	3.18	5.07	59.4

PROPERTY CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Burglary	11.24	11.18	8.68	8.86	5.44	7.31	34.4
Larceny	23.31	20.95	18.05	18.00	14.41	15.30	6.2
Auto Theft	2.43	1.49	1.39	1.67	1.33	1.51	13.5
Arson	0.67	0.99	0.37	0.93	0.85	0.45	-47.1
Total Property Crime	37.65	34.62	28.48	29.46	22.02	24.57	11.6

FBI CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Total, Eight Major Crimes	41.80	37.00	32.60	33.60	25.20	29.60	17.5

Sources: California Department of Justice Law Enforcement Information Center, 2001, U.S. Census, 2000 (http://justice.hdcdojnet.state.ca.us/cjsc_stats/prof00/40/11.pdf, http://nww.census.gov/population/estimates/metro-city/placebyco/SC99T8 CA.txt)

Grover Beach

VIOLENT CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Homicide	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.08	0.00	0.00	NA
Rape	0.25	0.08	0.74	0.57	0.48	0.31	-35.4
Robbery	0.42	0.25	0.41	0.65	0.40	0.31	-22.5
Aggravated Assault	3.21	2.68	2.98	3.19	2.57	1.53	-40.5
Total Violent Crime	3.88	3.02	4.14	4.49	3.46	2.14	-38.2

PROPERTY CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Burglary	9.79	8.46	8.11	5.39	5.23	5.20	-0.6
Larceny	30.73	30.07	28.46	21.23	20.59	15.76	-23.5
Auto Theft	1.86	1.68	2.40	NA	2.25	1.53	-32.0
Arson	0.00	0.34	0.33	0.41	0.08	0.08	0.0
Total Property Crime	42.38	40.54	39.30	28.83	28.15	22.58	-19.8

FBI CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Total, Eight Major Crimes	46.30	43.60	43.40	33.30	31.60	24.70	-21.8

Sources: California Department of Justice Law Enforcement Information Center, 2001, U.S. Census, 2000 (http://justice.hdcdojnet.state.ca.us/cjsc_stats/prof00/40/11.pdf, http://www.census.gov/population/estimates/metrocity/placebyco/SC99T8_CA.txt)

Morro Bay

VIOLENT CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Homicide	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	NA
Rape	0.00	0.31	0.10	0.20	0.10	0.29	190.0
Robbery	0.41	0.51	0.61	0.00	0.10	0.00	-100.0
Aggravated Assault	7.12	8.29	6.91	8.48	6.00	4.64	-22.7
Total Violent Crime	7.53	9.10	7.62	8.69	6.20	4.93	-20.5

PROPERTY CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Burglary	8.36	4.71	5.59	4.34	3.70	3.67	-0.8
Larceny	30.33	26.50	20.82	16.87	19.91	11.69	-41.3
Auto Theft	1.55	1.13	0.91	0.61	1.80	1.26	-30.0
Arson	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.29	190.0
Total Property Crime	40.24	32.33	27.32	21.82	25.51	16.91	-33.7

FBI CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Total, Eight Major Crimes	47.80	41.40	34.90	30.50	31.70	21.80	-31.2

Sources: California Department of Justice Law Enforcement Information Center, 2001, U.S. Census, 2000 (http://justice.hdcdojnet.state.ca.us/cjsc_stats/prof00/40/11.pdf, http://www.census.gov/population/estimates/metrocity/placebyco/SC99T8_CA.txt)

Paso Robles

VIOLENT CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Homicide	0.05	0.00	0.05	0.14	0.05	0.04	-20.0
Rape	0.39	0.66	0.33	0.46	0.27	0.04	-85.2
Robbery	0.43	0.62	0.42	0.37	0.45	0.41	-8.9
Aggravated Assault	6.51	3.84	3.04	1.81	3.32	1.89	-43.1
Total Violent Crime	7.38	5.11	3.83	2.78	4.09	2.39	-41.6

PROPERTY CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Burglary	12.01	7.53	7.05	7.92	5.32	6.34	19.2
Larceny	23.79	26.47	19.71	18.52	20.47	25.39	24.0
Auto Theft	2.51	2.13	1.40	1.06	2.00	1.98	-1.0
Arson	0.19	0.24	0.37	0.14	0.18	0.12	-33.3
Total Property Crime	38.50	36.37	28.53	27.64	27.97	33.83	21.0

FBI CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Total, Eight Major Crimes	45.90	41.50	32.40	30.40	32.10	36.20	12.8

Sources: California Department of Justice Law Enforcement Information Center, 2001, U.S. Census, 2000 (http://justice.hdcdojnet.state.ca.us/cjsc_stats/prof00/40/11.pdf, http://www.census.gov/population/estimates/metrocity/placebyco/SC99T8_CA.txt)

Pismo Beach

VIOLENT CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Homicide	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	NA
Rape	0.37	0.37	0.60	0.48	0.24	0.00	-100.0
Robbery	0.75	0.98	0.72	1.32	0.71	1.05	47.9
Aggravated Assault	5.59	2.69	1.69	1.32	1.18	1.64	39.0
Total Violent Crime	6.71	4.04	3.02	3.11	2.12	2.69	26.9

PROPERTY CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Burglary	13.29	6.12	8.82	7.53	8.00	7.25	-9.4
Larceny	34.28	39.27	39.85	30.37	31.29	34.73	11.0
Auto Theft	1.61	0.73	3.86	1.20	2.00	2.22	11.0
Arson	0.37	0.49	0.00	0.00	0.12	0.35	191.7
Total Property Crime	49.55	46.61	52.53	39.10	41.41	44.56	7.6

FBI CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Total, Eight Major Crimes	56.30	50.60	55.50	42.20	43.50	47.20	8.5

Sources: California Department of Justice Law Enforcement Information Center, 2001, U.S. Census, 2000 (http://justice.hdcdojnet.state.ca.us/cjsc_stats/prof00/40/11.pdf, http://www.census.gov/population/estimates/metrocity/placebyco/SC99T8_CA.txt)

San Luis Obispo (City)

VIOLENT CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Homicide	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.05	0.05	0.00	-100.0
Rape	0.48	0.40	0.66	1.08	0.37	0.38	2.7
Robbery	0.48	0.33	0.49	0.54	0.40	0.57	42.5
Aggravated Assault	6.59	4.80	3.46	2.06	1.87	2.08	11.2
Total Violent Crime	7.54	5.53	4.62	3.72	2.68	3.03	13.1

PROPERTY CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Burglary	9.02	8.55	8.55	6.18	8.77	7.74	-11.7
Larceny	29.70	30.95	29.06	35.36	30.82	33.50	8.7
Auto Theft	2.22	1.64	1.93	3.04	2.68	2.85	6.3
Arson	2.58	1.61	1.20	1.29	2.26	2.01	-11.1
Total Property Crime	43.52	42.75	40.74	45.87	44.53	46.11	3.5

FBI CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Total, Eight Major Crimes	51.10	48.30	45.40	49.60	47.20	49.10	4.0

Sources: California Department of Justice Law Enforcement Information Center, 2001, U.S. Census, 2000 (http://justice.hdcdojnet.state.ca.us/cjsc_stats/prof00/40/11.pdf, http://www.census.gov/population/estimates/metrocity/placebyco/SC99T8_CA.txt)

Unincorporated (Sheriff)

VIOLENT CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Homicide	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.02	100.0
Rape	0.26	0.30	0.45	0.56	0.08	0.34	325.0
Robbery	0.23	0.10	0.23	0.04	0.08	0.12	50.0
Aggravated Assault	6.67	2.62	2.53	2.33	1.65	1.63	-1.2
Total Violent Crime	7.22	3.07	3.24	2.95	1.82	2.11	15.9

PROPERTY CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Burglary	6.39	4.78	4.36	4.23	3.55	3.64	2.5
Larceny	10.02	8.99	6.88	9.21	8.13	8.47	4.2
Auto Theft	1.03	0.89	0.91	1.12	0.04	0.05	25.0
Arson	0.00	0.09	0.11	0.03	0.15	0.11	-26.7
Total Property Crime	17.45	14.76	12.27	14.59	11.87	12.27	3.4

FBI CRIME RATE							99-00 %
(CRIMES PER 1,000 PEOPLE)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Total, Eight Major Crimes	24.70	17.80	15.50	17.50	14.00	14.40	2.9

Sources: California Department of Justice Law Enforcement Information Center, 2001, U.S. Census, 2000 (http://justice.hdcdojnet.state.ca.us/cjsc_stats/prof00/40/11.pdf, http://www.census.gov/population/estimates/metrocity/placebyco/SC99T8_CA.txt)

F7 Public Safety Concerns

Telephone Survey Results

How concerned are you about the following issues in your community? For each one, please answer "Very Concerned," "Somewhat Concerned," or "Not at all Concerned."

Family Violence

	1999)	2001		
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Very Concerned	180	33.6	330	41.6	
Somewhat Concerned	187	35.0	268	33.8	
Not at all Concerned	168	31.4	195	24.6	
Total	535	100	793	100	

Source: 1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

Senior Abuse

	1999)	2001		
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Very Concerned	184	34.9	303	39.1	
Somewhat Concerned	169	32.1	228	29.4	
Not at all Concerned	174	33	244	31.5	
Total	527	100	775	100	

Source: 1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

F8 Domestic Violence Calls

Number of Calls, San Luis Obispo County

						99-00 %
JURISDICTION	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Arroyo Grande	40	48	37	25	26	4.0
Atascadero	158	148	124	118	100	-15.3
Grover Beach	52	58	47	57	51	-10.5
Morro Bay	55	47	55	41	36	-12.2
Paso Robles	185	141	162	135	133	-1.5
Pismo Beach	51	57	51	45	27	-40.0
San Luis Obispo (city)	124	124	86	89	98	10.1
Unincorporated Areas	303	234	213	206	197	-4.4
Other Jurisdictions	4	5	3	5	3	-40.0
San Luis Obispo County	972	862	778	721	671	-6.9

Call Rate, San Luis Obispo County & State

	3					99-00 %
CALLS PER 1,000 POP.	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
Arroyo Grande	2.7	3.2	2.4	1.6	1.6	0.0
Atascadero	6.5	6.1	5.0	4.8	3.8	-20.8
Grover Beach	4.4	4.8	3.8	4.6	3.9	-15.2
Morro Bay	5.6	4.8	5.6	4.1	3.5	-14.6
Paso Robles	8.8	6.6	7.5	6.1	5.5	-9.8
Pismo Beach	6.2	6.9	6.1	5.3	3.2	-39.6
San Luis Obispo	2.9	2.9	2.0	2.1	2.2	4.8
Unincorporated areas	3.1	2.4	2.1	2.0	1.9	-5.0
San Luis Obispo County	4.3	3.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	-10.0
California	7.2	6.8	6.0	5.6	5.8	3.6

Arrest Rate, San Luis Obispo County & State

ARRESTS PER 1,000 POP.	1995	1996	1997	1998	97-98 % Change
San Luis Obispo County	1.92	1.88	1.98	1.74	-11.9
State	1.86	1.63	1.44	1.32	-8.3

Source: California Criminal Justice Profile, 1999 & 2001. No arrest data available for 1999 or 2000.

F9 Domestic Violence Shelters

Shelter occupants, by Age and Family Status-North County area

NORTH COUNTY WOMEN'S RESOURCE	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00
CENTER					
Number of Women	61	44	49	43	48
% aged 18-29	54.1	34.1	34.7	51.2	36
% aged 30-50	44.3	65.9	59.2	46.5	58
% aged 50+	1.6	0.0	6.1	2.3	6
Number of Children	83	65	68	59	73
% children	57.6	59.6	58.1	57.8	60
Family Status					
% Married with children	39.3	43.2	42.8	34.9	45.8
% Single with children	31.1	34.1	32.6	48.8	31.2
% Single- no children	29.5	22.7	24.5	16.3	23
Total Shelter Occupants	144	109	117	102	121

Shelter Occupants, by Income Source

NORTH COUNTY WOMEN'S RESOURCE

CENTER	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00
% Private Income Source	N/a	31.8	36.7	30.2	27
% Public Assistance Income Source	N/a	27.3	28.6	27.9	31.3
% No Income Source	N/a	40.9	34.7	41.9	41.7

Shelter Occupants, by Ethnicity

NORTH COUNTY WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00
% Caucasian	68.8	75.2	70.9	58.8	50
% Hispanic	24.3	20.2	26.5	37.3	39
% Native American	1.4	1.8	1.7	1.9	1
% African American	4.9	2.7	0.8	1.9	4
% other	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	6

Source: North County Women's Shelter & Resource Center, 2001.

F9 Domestic Violence Shelters, continued

Shelter Occupants, by Age and Family Status-San Luis Obispo Area

WOMEN'S SHELTER PROGRAM,	NC.
OF SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY	

OF SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
Number of Women	66	50	38
% aged 18-29	48.5	38.0	52.6
% aged 30-50	51.5	52.0	44.7
% aged 50+	0.0	4.0	2.6
Number of Children	84	51	50
% children	56.0	50.5	56.8
Family Status			
% Married with no children	0.0	8.3	0
% Married with children	46.9	39.6	39.5
% Single with children	24.2	18.8	42.1
% Single- no children	28.8	33.3	18.4
Total Shelter Occupants	150	101	88

Shelter Occupants, by Income Source

WOMEN'S SHELTER PROGRAM, INC.

OF SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
% Private Income Source	NA	NA	8.6
% Public Assistance Income Source	NA	NA	37.1
% No Income Source	NA	NA	34.3
% Disability	NA	NA	11.4
% Other	NA	NA	8.6

Source: Women's Shelter Program, Inc. of San Luis Obispo County, 1999.

Note: 1998-99 figures are preliminary (YTD) as of June, 1999.

Note: Statistics taken from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

F9 Domestic Violence Shelters, continued

Shelter Occupants, by Ethnicity

WOMEN'S SHELTER PROGRAM, INC.

OF SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
% Caucasian	68.0	74.3	59.0
% Hispanic	21.3	12.9	34.0
% Native American	2.0	1.9	0.0
% African American	2.6	4.9	4.5
% Asian/ Pacific Islander	6.0	5.9	1.1

Source: Women's Shelter Program, Inc. of San Luis Obispo County, 1999.

Note: 1998-99 figures are preliminary (YTD) as of June, 1999.

Note: Statistics taken from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

F9 Domestic Violence Shelters, continued

Prevention and Outreach

NORTH COUNTY WOMEN'S RESOURCE

CENTER	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00
Participants in Low Cost Counseling	29	73	102	158
Teens attending Domestic Violence Awareness Presentations	NA	1,805	1,806	1,700
Restraining Orders *	NA	NA	64	116

WOMEN'S SHELTER PROGRAM, INC.

OF SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
Participants in Low Cost Counseling	176	296	254
Number of women	111	118	144
Number of children	48	166	93
Number of men	17	12	17
Restraining orders issued	181	250	187

^{*} In 1998, the North County Women's Resource Center began providing support to help women obtain restraining orders.

Total Shelter Occupants by Original Area of Residence

	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00
North County + North Coast	134	107	109	103
South County + San Luis Obispo	100	96	51	14
Out of County	25	15	30	4
Total	259	218	190	121

Source: North County Women's Resource Center, Women's Shelter Program of San Luis Obispo, 2001.

F10 Emergency Response Child Abuse Referrals

TOTAL REPORTED CASES OF CHILD ABUSE	1995	1996	1997*	1998	1999	2000	99-00 % Change
San Luis Obispo County	4,078	3,950	3,745	3,168	3,240	3,549	+ 9.5
Santa Cruz County	5,950	5,652	2,332	2,623	NA	NA	
Monterey County	9,757	9,142	7,658	6,674	NA	NA	

Source: Child Protective Services, San Luis Obispo, Monterey and Santa Cruz Counties 1999 & 2001.

Note: The reports cited do not include those made to law enforcement.

^{*}In 1997 a new reporting system was implemented which counts cases of physical abuse and severe neglect as one referral instead of two. Thus the decline in figures for 1997 does not reflect a decline in the number of referrals. The new system does not duplicate so it is now counted as one. Effective FY 98/99 the referrals are no longer be counted by child, but by family.

F11 Family Violence

Elder Abuse and Neglect 7/96 – 6/97

Sexual Abuse 0 — Physical Abuse 22 — Neglect 18 — Mental Suffering 21 182 Financial Abuse 14 4 Abandonment 4 9 Total 79 195	CONFIRMED ABUSE - ELDER	By Others	BY SELF
Neglect18—Mental Suffering21182Financial Abuse144Abandonment49	Sexual Abuse	0	_
Mental Suffering 21 182 Financial Abuse 14 4 Abandonment 4 9	Physical Abuse	22	_
Financial Abuse 14 4 Abandonment 4 9	Neglect	18	_
Abandonment 4 9	Mental Suffering	21	182
	Financial Abuse	14	4
Total 79 195	Abandonment	4	9
	Total	79	195

CONFIRMED ABUSE - DEPENDENT ADULT		
Sexual Abuse	3	_
Physical Abuse	2	_
Neglect	11	26
Mental Suffering	2	2
Financial Abuse	0	1
Abandonment	4	9
Total	47	29
Total Confirmed Abuse – 321 or 53% cases		
Total Cases Investigated – 605		

Source: Child Protective Services, San Luis Obispo, 1999.

Note: Figures include the number of cases investigated in that particular year, in addition to the number of cases reported and not investigated after an evaluation by a supervisor. Elder is defined as an individual 65 years and older.

Note: Statistics taken from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

F12 Juvenile Crime

Juvenile Arrest Rate – Felonies

FELONIES PER 1,000 PEOPLE						99-00
AGE 10-17	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	% CHANGE
San Luis Obispo County	15.1	12.1	12.8	11.0	9.8	-10.9
California	23.0	21.6	20.2	17.8	16.0	-10.2

Juvenile Arrest Rate – Misdemeanors

MISDEMEANORS PER 1,000						99-00
PEOPLE AGE 10-17	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	% CHANGE
San Luis Obispo County	43.2	36.9	35.4	33.5	35.1	4.8
California	40.6	40.3	40.9	38.1	34.9	-8.4

Source: 2000 California Criminal Justice Profile, 2001.

F12 Juvenile Crime, continued

Section 601 Petitions

			% Change
	1994-95	1998-99	1995-1999
Referrals	153	31	-79.7
Filed with Court	30	1	-96.7

Source: Children's Services Network, 2001.

Section 602 Petitions

			% Change
	1994-95	1998-99	1995-1999
Referrals	1,934	2,095	8.3
Filed with Court	363	710	95.6

602 Court Filings by Jurisdiction	1994-95	1998-99	% Change 1995-1999
Arroyo Grande	29	95	227.6
Atascadero	71	114	60.6
Grover Beach	27		122.2
Graver Bouch		60	
Los Osos	33	28	-15.2
Morro Bay	25	39	56.0
Oceano	27	30	11.1
Paso Robles	77	98	27.3
Pismo Beach	11	39	254.5
San Luis Obispo	38	163	328.9
Other Jurisdictions	25	44	76.0
Total	363	710	95.6

Source: Children Services Network, 2001

F12 Juvenile Crime, continued

Juvenile Probation

			Change from
<u>. </u>	1994-95	1998-99	1995 to 1999
Placed on Informal Probation	369	194	-47.4%
Placed on Formal Probation	206	583	183.0%
Probation Violations	309	246	-20.4%

Children's Services Network, 2001.

F13 Foster Care

Foster Care Caseload – San Luis Obispo County

				97-98 %
	August 1996	August 1997	August 1998	Change
Cases open on last day of the month	73	87	69	-20.7
Total cases opened during the year	101	105	51	-51.4
Average age in years at case	15.9	15.8	15.9	0.6
opening				
Average months in placement	10.7	12.2	13.2	8.1
% female	20.5	25.3	21.7	-14.2
% male	79.5	74.7	78.3	4.8

Source: California Department of Social Services, 1999.

Note: Statistics taken from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

Foster Care Placements – San Luis Obispo County

	1994-95	1998-99	% Change 1995-1999
Foster Care	207	145	-30.0
Foster Family Agency	87	93	6.9
Group Home	33	38	15.2

Source: Children's Services Network, 2001.

F13 Foster Care, continued

Profile of Children in Foster Care-San Luis Obispo County

	August 1996	August 1997	August 1998
% Caucasian	80	74.7	79.7
% Hispanic	13.7	20.7	14.5
% African American	4.1	4.6	4.3
% Native American	0	0	1.4
% Asian/ Pacific Islander	1.4	0	0
% Filipino	0	0	0

Source: California Department of Social Services, 1999.

Children in Foster Care, by Placement and Reunification status

	August 1996	August 1997	August 1998
% placed in non-relative foster family homes	20.5	21.8	4.3
% placed in relative foster family homes	0	0	0
% placed in group homes	79.5	78.2	42
% placed in other type of facility/ unknown	0	0	53.6
% cases terminated/ reunified with family	45.3	54.9	57.3
% cases terminated/ adopted	0	0	0

Source: California Department of Social Services, 1999.

Note: Statistics taken from ACTION 1999 Data Report.

F14 Crime in Schools

California Safe Schools Assessment 1999-2000

San Luis Obispo County

Number of Crimes per						% Change
1,000 Students	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	'99-'00
Drug/Alcohol	7.0	4.8	4.7	5.3	5.2	-2.5
Battery	8.5	8.4	7.2	4.1	4.3	4.4
Assault w/weapon	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.2	100.0
Robbery/ Extortion	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	-40.0
Sex Offenders	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	-77.3
Possession of Weapon	1.5	1.3	1.0	1.1	0.9	-15.6
Property Crimes	4.0	4.1	3.9	4.2	3.7	-11.2
Loss per Student	\$ 2.55	\$ 1.69	\$ 1.70	\$ 29.04	\$ 4.57	-84.3

California

Number of Crimes per						% Change
1,000 Students	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	'99-'00
Drug/Alcohol	3.8	3.5	3.6	3.9	4.0	2.5
Battery	3.3	3.1	3.0	3.3	3.9	18.7
Assault w/weapon	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.0
Robbery/ Extortion	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.0
Sex Offenders	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	36.8
Possession of Weapon	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.1	-11.6
Property Crimes	5.0	4.6	4.5	4.1	4.3	3.9
Loss per Student	\$ 4.15	\$ 4.02	\$ 2.93	\$ 4.33	\$ 4.01	-7.4

Source: California Department of Education, California Safe Schools Assessment, 1999-2000

http://www.cde.ca.gov/spbranch/safety/cssa/99-00results.pdf

F14 Crime in Schools, continued

California Safe Schools Assessment 1999-2000 (continued)

Atascadero Unified

Number of Crimes per						% Change
1,000 Students	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	'99-'00
Drug/Alcohol	7.0	4.8	4.7	5.3	5.2	-2.5
Battery	8.5	8.4	7.2	4.1	4.3	4.4
Assault w/weapon	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.2	100.0
Robbery/ Extortion	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	-40.0
Sex Offenders	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	-77.3
Possession of Weapon	1.5	1.3	1.0	1.1	0.9	-15.6
Property Crimes	4.0	4.1	3.9	4.2	3.7	-11.2
Loss per Student	\$ 1.72	\$ 1.28	\$ 5.48	\$ 1.82	\$ 3.26	79.1

Lucia Mar Unified

Number of Crimes per											% Change
1,000 Students	199	5-96	199	96-97	19	97-98	19	98-99	19	99-00	'99-'00
Drug/Alcohol		7.0		4.8		4.7		5.3		5.2	-2.5
Battery		8.5		8.4		7.2		4.1		4.3	4.4
Assault w/weapon		0.3		0.5		0.3		0.1		0.2	100.0
Robbery/ Extortion		0.3		0.1		0.2		0.1		0.0	-40.0
Sex Offenders		0.2		0.2		0.1		0.2		0.1	-77.3
Possession of Weapon		1.5		1.3		1.0		1.1		0.9	-15.6
Property Crimes		4.0		4.1		3.9		4.2		3.7	-11.2
Loss per Student	\$	2.78	\$	2.67	\$	0.88	\$	1.70	\$	10.54	520.0

Paso Robles Joint Unified

Number of Crimes per											% Change
1,000 Students	199	95-96	19	96-97	19	97-98	19	98-99	199	99-00	'99-'00
Drug/Alcohol		7.0		4.8		4.7		5.3		5.2	-2.5
Battery		8.5		8.4		7.2		4.1		4.3	4.4
Assault w/weapon		0.3		0.5		0.3		0.1		0.2	100.0
Robbery/ Extortion		0.3		0.1		0.2		0.1		0.0	-40.0
Sex Offenders		0.2		0.2		0.1		0.2		0.1	-77.3
Possession of Weapon		1.5		1.3		1.0		1.1		0.9	-15.6
Property Crimes		4.0		4.1		3.9		4.2		3.7	-11.2
Loss per Student	\$	6.22	\$	0.85	\$	0.95	\$	1.44	\$	1.96	36.1

Source: California Department of Education, California Safe Schools Assessment, 1999-2000

http://www.cde.ca.gov/spbranch/safety/cssa/99-00results.pdf

F14 Crime in Schools, continued

California Safe Schools Assessment 1999-2000 (continued)

San Luis Coastal Unified

Number of Crimes per											% Chang	ge
1,000 Students	199	95-96	19	96-97	19	97-98	199	98-99	199	99-00	'99-'00	
Drug/Alcohol		7.4		5.5		5.0		4.8		5.6	17	7.4
Battery		5.3		1.5		1.4		0.6		4.4	663	3.8
Assault w/weapon		0.1		0.5		0.1		0.0		0.4	N	ΙA
Robbery/ Extortion		0.6		0.1		0.2		0.0		0.1	N	ΙA
Sex Offenders		0.1		0.0		0.0		0.1		0.1	0	0.0
Possession of Weapon		1.6		0.8		0.8		0.8		1.6	101	1.2
Property Crimes		2.2		2.0		2.4		3.7		1.9	-49	9.7
Loss per Student	\$	1.05	\$	0.90	\$	1.05	\$ 1	18.15	\$	0.93	-99	9.2

Templeton Unified

Number of Crimes per						% Change
1,000 Students	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	'99-'00
Drug/Alcohol	1.1	4.4	2.7	2.9	2.4	-17.2
Battery	0.6	2.4	2.7	3.3	2.0	-39.8
Assault w/weapon	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	NA
Robbery/ Extortion	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	NA
Sex Offenders	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	0.0	-100.0
Possession of Weapon	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	-100.0
Property Crimes	2.2	1.0	3.5	3.3	2.8	-15.7
Loss per Student	\$ 2.24	\$ 1.22	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.89	\$ 1.02	14.6

Source: California Department of Education, California Safe Schools Assessment, 1999-2000

http://www.cde.ca.gov/spbranch/safety/cssa/99-00results.pdf

F15 Gun Sales

Annual Handgun Sales

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	96-97 % CHANGE
San Luis Obispo County	2,517	2,714	1,636	1,694	1,871	10.5
Guns sold per 1,000 people	11	12	7	7	8	_
California	418,719	361,502	238,755	207,318	195,338	-5.8
Guns sold per 1,000 people	13	11	7	7	6	

Source: Firearms Registration, Department of Justice, California Department of Finance, Demographic Unit, 1999.

Note: Statistics taken from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

F16 Firearms

Telephone Survey Results

Do you have any firearms kept in or around your home? Include those kept in a garage, outdoor storage area, truck, or other motor vehicles.

Response	Number	Percent	
Yes	228	29.5	
No	545	70.5	
Total	773	100	

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

Telephone Survey Results

Are any of the firearms in or around your home handguns, such as pistols or revolvers?

Response	Number	Percent	
Yes	143	63.6	
No	82	36.4	
Total	225	100	

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

Telephone Survey Results

How many of the firearms are currently stored under lock and key?

Response	Number	Percent
All of them	86	61.0
Some of them	10	7.1
None of them	45	31.9
Total	141	100

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Telephone Survey.

F17 Driving Under the Influence

Adult DUI Arrests, San Luis Obispo County & State

DUI ARRESTS & ARREST RATE							99-00 %
(PER 1,000 ADULTS)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	CHANGE
San Luis Obispo County Arrests	2,243	2,214	1,885	2,036	2,236	2,163	-3.3
California Arrests	200,773	201,972	191,535	188,327	188,531	182,408	-3.2
San Luis Obispo County Arrest	14.0	13.6	12.3	12.7	13.6	12.8	-6.0
Rate							
California Arrest Rate	9.3	9.3	8.7	8.8	8.6	8.2	-4.7

Note: Includes both felony and misdemeanor DUI arrests.

Source: California Department of Justice, 2001 (http://justice.hdcdojnet.state.ca.us/cjsc_stats/prof00/)

Juvenile DUI Arrests, San Luis Obispo County & State

DUI ARRESTS & ARREST RATE (PER 1,000 JUVENILES AGE 10- 17)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999		9-00 % Change
San Luis Obispo County Arrests	22	42	23	32	39	26	-33.3
California Arrests	1,681	1,822	1,715	1,771	1,755	1,547	-11.9
San Luis Obispo County Arrest	0.9	1.7	0.9	1.3	1.5	1.0	-35.8
Rate							
California Arrest Rate	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.4	-15.1

Note: Includes both felony and misdemeanor DUI arrests.

Source: California Department of Justice, 2001 (http://justice.hdcdojnet.state.ca.us/cjsc_stats/prof00/)

F17 Driving Under the Influence, continued

Juvenile Misdemeanor DUI Arrests, California

					98-99 %
ETHNICITY	1996	1997	1998	1999	CHANGE
Caucasian	960	818	875	892	1.9
Hispanic	629	639	615	621	1.0
African American	56	51	57	40	-29.8
Other	69	101	136	121	-11.0
Total	1,714	1,609	1,683	1,674	-0.5

Source: California Criminal Justice Profile, 1999.

F18 Senior Drivers

Number of Senior Drivers- County

		% of All		% of All	5 Year %
Age Group	1993	Drivers	1999	Drivers	Change
Aged 60-69	17,042	10.9	16,870	10.3	-1.0
70-79	13,909	8.9	15,100	9.2	8.7
80-89	4,128	2.7	5,265	3.2	27.5
90-99	212	0.1	313	0.2	47.6
Total 60+	35,291	22.8	37,548	22.8	6.4

Note: The total number of persons over 60 in San Luis Obispo is 45,626 (1998), which means approximately 82.3 % of seniors have a license to drive.

Number of Senior Drivers-State

		% of All		% of All	5 Year %
Age Group	1993	Drivers	1998	Drivers	Change
Aged 60-69	1,792,383	8.8	1,793,659	8.6	
70-79	1,170,566	5.8	1,238,606	5.9	5.8
80-89	325,646	1.6	396,634	1.9	21.8
90-99	16,867	.08	22,995	.11	36.3
Total 60+	3,305,462	16.3	3,451,894	16.7	4.4

Source: California Department of Motor Vehicles, 1999.

Note: Statistics taken from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

F19 County Parolees

Felons Paroled from an Institution by County of Parole, San Luis Obispo County

						% CHANGE
	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	1999-2000
Total parolees	789	908	1,074	1,074	884	-17.7
County population	229,500	232,700	236,400	239,300	245,200	2.5
Parolees per 1,000 people	3.4	3.9	4.5	4.5	3.6	-20.0

Source: Offender Information Services Branch, Department of Corrections, 2001. State Department of Finance population figures, 2001

Note: The data indicates parolees who have been paroled to San Luis Obispo County.

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Social Environment

To gauge issues surrounding the local social environment, the assessment looked to a handful of key resources: voter participation, perceptions of discrimination and whether or not people give blood.

One in 10 county phone-survey respondents reported experiencing some type of discrimination within the county in the past 12 months - down slightly from 1999. Among those citing discrimination, the basis varied widely. Age-based discrimination was noted most frequently, by 38 percent, and was cited both by older and younger adults. One in five noted racial or ethnic discrimination, down dramatically from the 41 percent noted in 1999. However, Latinos were still two-and-a-half times as likely as Caucasians to have experienced discrimination, and other non-Caucasians were twice as likely. One third of phone-survey respondents say they are "very concerned" about racism.

Voting in 2000 was up from 1998, reflecting the traditionally stronger interest shown in presidential election years. More than half of eligible voters participated in the November 2000 general election, up 12 percent from 1998. Thirty-seven percent voted in the March primaries, up 7 percent from 1998. Participation in the primary elections may also have been aided from California's move to have primary elections on Super Tuesday in March.

In terms of voting preferences, the trend appears to be toward not specifying party membership. The number of voters who "declined to state" a party preference when registering grew to 14 percent in 2000, up from nine percent in 1996. The move toward open primaries may be a factor in this trend.

In the telephone survey one in eight county residents reported giving blood regularly. That percentage is virtually unchanged from 1999.

G1 Discrimination

Telephone Survey Results

Have you felt discriminated against in San Luis Obispo County in the last twelve months?

	199	1999		
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	77	14.2	83	10.3
No	464	85.8	726	89.7
Total	541	100	809	100

If yes, for what reason? (Top three responses)

	19	99	2001		
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Ethnicity / Race	24	41.4	17	21.0	
Gender	16	27.6	7	8.6	
Age	14	24.1	31	38.3	

Source:1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Survey



Telephone Survey Results, by ethnicity

Have you felt discriminated against in San Luis Obispo County in the last twelve months?

Response	Yes 199	Yes 1999			
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Caucasian	54	11.9	55	8.4	
Latino	16	22.5	18	20.9	
Other	6	37.5	10	18.2	

Source:1999 and 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Survey

G2 Racism

Telephone Survey Results

How concerned are you about the following issues in your community? For each one, please answer "Very Concerned," "Somewhat Concerned," or "Not at all Concerned."

Racism

Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Very concerned	135	25.2	257	32.2
Somewhat concerned	200	37.3	231	28.9
Not at all concerned	201	37.5	310	38.8
Total	536	100	798	100



Telephone Survey Results

Do you regularly:

Donate blood?

	19	99	2001		
Response	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Yes	69	12.7	103	12.8	
No	474	87.3	700	87.2	
Total	543	100	803	100	

G3 Voting

San Luis Obispo County Voter Registration and Turnout

	Eligible to		%	County	% of	% of	State Turnout
Election	Register	Registered	Registered	Turnout	Registered	Eligible	(% of Eligible)
June 1998 Primary	171,805	129,805	75.6	70,905	54.6	41.3	30.1
November 1998	173,074	133,809	77.3	88,049	65.8	50.9	41.4
General							
March 2000 Primary	177,922	130,828	73.5	84,425	64.5	47.5	37.1
November 2000	178,707	142,633	79.8	109,761	77.0	61.4	51.9
General							

Source: San Luis Obispo County Elections Department, Elections Division-California Secretary of State, 1999 and 2001.

http://www.ss.ca.gov/elections/sov/2000_general/reg.pdf

Voter Profile

	19	1996		1998		2000	
Registered Voters	County	State	County	State	County	State	
Democrat	39.7	47.4	38.7	46.8	36.1	45.4	
Republican	45.2	36.8	44.4	35.8	43.5	34.9	
Declined to state	9.1	10.6	10.8	12.4	13.6	14.4	
Other	6	5.2	6.1	5.0	6.8	5.3	
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	

Source: San Luis Obispo County Elections Department, 2001.

G4 Hotline Calls for Assistance

Number of Calls

Category	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00
Alcohol and Drug Abuse	991	1,276	953	801
Child Abuse	110	99	100	88
Counseling Resources	363	439	397	450
Developmental Disabilities/	96	52	89	70
Neurological Handicaps				
Emergency Assistance	1,056	752	494	391
Family Care Network	182	140	201	146
Family Planning/Sexuality	124	182	162	136
Family Services Center	550	0		
Homeless Shelter (EOC)	2,132	2,391	2,783	3,217
Hospice	50	0		
HOTLINE Staff/Resources	3,733	3,688	3,700	3,512
Housing Problems	184	193	241	196
Information and Referral	1,732	1,289	1,048	1,186
Interpersonal Relationship	362	546	501	434
Legal/Consumer Complaint	634	605	578	422
Mental Illness	974	1,368	1,242	1,035
Misc./Defies Classification	1,566	1,511	1,472	1,835
Phone Friends	4,811	0		
Physical/Health/Disabilities	360	396	329	313
Rape Crisis Center	85	0		
Senior Services	3,778	4,100	3,774	3,360
Sexual Assault	0	75	71	61
Special Olympics	120	96	69	63
Support	1,725	1,364	1,122	1,128
Teenage/Youth	304			
Telecare		4,770	4,595	5,229
Women's Shelter	2,587	2,214	1,610	1,749
Suicide Issues	232	255	235	224
Total Calls	28,841	27,801	25,766	26,052

Source: HOTLINE of San Luis Obispo County, 2001.

G4 Hotline Calls for Assistance, continued

Hotline Calls, by Age Group of Caller

	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00
0 - 9	12	12	9	15
10 - 19	375	431	434	401
20 - 29	2,923	3,146	2,754	2,634
30 - 39	7,030	6,315	5,466	5,220
40 - 49	6,137	5,564	5,248	5,244
50 - 59	2,546	2,254	2,207	2,432
60 - 69	1,854	2,087	1,976	2,144
70 - 79	2,843	2,423	1,810	2,158
80 - 89 +	3,304	3,656	3,887	3,837
Unknown	1,817	1,830	1,975	1,967

Source: HOTLINE of San Luis Obispo County, 2001.

Hotline Calls, by Caller Area of Residence

Jurisdiction	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00
San Luis Obispo	10,916	10,042	9,874	10,663
Paso Robles	2,109	2,106	1,510	1,394
Atascadero	2,401	2,337	1,750	1,525
Morro Bay	980	1,057	984	1,259
Cambria	296	248	226	223
Cayucos	242	174	134	104
Los Osos/Baywood	1,232	1,321	1,299	1,361
Pismo Beach	1,465	1,294	1,513	1,581
Grover Beach	1,224	1,638	1,339	1,303
Arroyo Grande	1,922	1,880	2,131	2,078
Santa Margarita	159	107	113	85
Nipomo	241	204	188	157
Other	2,460	2,266	1,591	1,470
Out of County	1	2	11	6
Unknown	3,193	3,125	3,103	2,843

Source: HOTLINE of San Luis Obispo County, 2001.

Note: Twenty-four-hour phone lines are available to anyone in need. A specialized phone line is open to accommodate the needs of the senior citizen and frail, elderly population of San Luis Obispo County. Senior Telecare is a daily assurance and safety-check telephone service, whereby volunteers place regularly scheduled phone calls to clients.

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Government Issues

Perceptions of government effectiveness, responsiveness and access were considered using three research methods. One was the inclusion of an overall performance rating in the 2001 community telephone survey. A second was a survey conducted with the assistance of the League of Women Voters to monitor the use of communication and access methods by local government entities. The third was a "mystery shopper" process designed to test responsiveness of government to customerservice issues.

Both the access survey and the mystery shopper survey were conducted in both 1999 and 2001. Results show that, by and large, government is paying attention to these issues (possibly as a result of being monitored).

Overall, residents have a fairly high degree of confidence in county government, with more than one resident in three giving the county a "very good" or "excellent" rating. Slightly more than one in five residents rated the county "fair" or "poor." Respondents tended toward the middle of the response scale, with fewer than 10 percent opting for either "excellent" or "poor."

Public-access scores for incorporated cities ranged from 11 (Morro Bay) to 21 (San Luis Obispo) out of a possible 28 points. Most cities showed a slight increase over 1999.

School district scores ranged from 14 (Paso Robles) to an outstanding 27 (Lucia Mar). Lucia Mar and the County School Superintendent's office both noted substantial improvements from 1999.

Among city planning departments, scores ranged from 5 (Grover Beach) to 15 (Morro Bay). Five of the eight departments surveyed showed declines from 1999.

Community services districts fared somewhat worse in terms of public access, with scores ranging from 4 (Heritage Ranch CSD) to 16 (Oceano CSD). The greatest improvement from 1999 was seen in Los Osos CSD (from 11 to 15 methods used); the greatest decline was that of Cambria CSD (from 16 to 7). CSDs fared better on customer service issues, with scores ranging from 16 (Los Osos) to 23 (Nipomo) out of a possible 29 points.

City utilities showed strong across-the-board improvement in customer service, with all seven utilities improving substantially since 1999. Scores ranged from 17 (Pismo Beach) to 27 (Atascadero).

The County Elections Board also noted improvement and a strong overall customerservice score, garnering 27 out of 29 points.

H1 Rating of County Government

Telephone Survey Results

How would you rate SLO county in the following area:

County government, including major units such as the sheriff, social services, County planning & building, Elections office, health department, assessor, tax collector, roads, and the County board of Supervisors?

Response	Number	Percent
Excellent	59	8.2
Very Good	190	26.3
Good	316	43.8
Fair	103	14.3
Poor	54	7.5
Total	722	100

Source: 2001 ACTION for Healthy Communities, Survey

H2 Public Access & Info Methods

Cities

		Total Score
Cities	1999	2001
City of San Luis Obispo	19	21
County Board of Supervisors	18	18
City of Atascadero	18	18
City of Arroyo Grande	16	17
City of Grover Beach	14	16
City of Pismo Beach	14	15
City of Paso Robles	13	14
City of Morro Bay	12	11

Community Services Districts

	Total Score	Total Score
Community Services Districts	1999	2001
Oceano Community Services Dist.	15	16
Los Osos Community Services Dist.	11	15
Templeton Community Services Dist.	10	11
San Simeon Community Services Dist.	8	8
Cambria Community Services Dist.	16	7
Nipomo Community Services Dist.	7	6
Heritage Ranch Community Services Dist.	6	4

School Districts

	Total Score	Total Score
School Districts	1999	2001
Lucia Mar School Dist.	19	27
County Superintendent of Schools	16	20
San Luis Coastal School Dist.	20	18
Paso Robles School Dist.	14	14

Miscellaneous

	Total Score	Total Score
Miscellaneous	1999	2001
Council of Governments	14	17
Port San Luis Harbor Dist.	14	14
Air Pollution Control Dist.	13	14
Water Quality Control Board	10	10

Note: 30 different access methods were inquired about (e.g., host website, mail agendas free of charge, Spanish information available, Braille information available). Maximum Score is 30.

Sources: Foundation for Community Design agency survey, 1999; ACTION for Healthy Communities agency survey, 2001.

H2 Public Access & Info Methods, continued

Planning Departments

Planning Departments	Total Score 1999	Total Score 2001
Morro Bay Planning Dept.	10	15
City of San Luis Obispo Planning Dept.	13	14
Atascadero Community Dev. Dept.	14	11
County Planning Dept.	12	10
Pismo Beach Planning Dept.	13	9
Paso Robles Community Dev. Dept.	7	9
Arroyo Grande Planning Dept.	10	7
Grover Beach Community Dev. Dept.	10	5

H3 Customer Service Index

City Utilities

	1999 Average	2001 Average
Agency	Score	Score
Arroyo Grande	6.3	22.0
Atascadero	17.0	27.0
Grover Beach	8.0	21.7
Morro Bay	16.0	22.7
Paso Robles	8.7	19.7
Pismo Beach	11.0	17.0
San Luis Obispo	10.3	22.0

Community Service Districts

	1999 Average	2001 Average
Agency	Score	Score
Los Osos	10.3	15.3
Cambria	15.7	19.0
Oceano		19.0
Nipomo		22.7
Templeton		18.3
Avila		12.7

Note: Each agency was contacted at least three times on different days. Each was asked a single question frequently posed by constituents (e.g. How do I get my water turned on? How do I enroll my children in school?). Responses were evaluated on 20 criteria; maximum possible score is 29.

Sources: Foundation for Community Design agency survey, 1999; ACTION for Healthy Communities agency survey, 2001.

H3 Customer Service Index, continued

School Districts

	1999 Average	2001 Average
Agency	Score	Score
Paso Robles	10.7	13.0
Lucia Mar	16.7	12.0
San Luis Coastal Unified		10.0
Templeton		14.7
Atascadero		12.0

Elections

	1999 Average	2001 Average
Agency	Score	Score
County Elections	15.7	26.0

Note: Each agency was contacted at least three times on different days. Each was asked a single question frequently posed by constituents (e.g. How do I get my water turned on? How do I enroll my children in school?). Responses were evaluated on 20 criteria; maximum possible score is 29.

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San Luis Obispo County Demographics

Ethnicity or Race	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	176,246	81.2	187,840	76.1
Hispanic or Latino	28,923	13.3	40,196	16.3
Black	4,325	2.0	4,743	1.9
Asian or Pacific Islander	5,774	2.7	6,569	2.7
American Indian	1,652	0.8	1,490	0.6
Other	242	0.1	365	0.1
Multi-racial*	-	-	5,478	2.2
Total	217,162	100.1	246,681	99.9

Age	19	1990		00
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Under 15 years	40,332	18.6	43,444	17.6
15 to 24 years	37,844	17.4	43,540	17.7
25 to 34 years	37,001	17.0	28,177	11.4
35 to 44 years	35,675	16.4	38,416	15.6
45 to 54 years	18,518	8.5	36,150	14.7
55 to 64 years	17,180	7.9	21,269	8.6
65 to 74 years	18,490	8.5	18,094.0	7.3
75 years and over	12,122	5.6	17,591	7.1
Total	217,162	100.0	246,681	100.0

^{*} The 2000 Census uses the "multi-racial" category for people who identify themselves with more than one race.. The 1990 Census did not include this category..

Note: For additional census information for San Luis Obispo County, contact the SLO Council of Governments.

Source: Bureau of the Census, 2001.

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Cambria Demographics

Ethnicity or Race	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	4,787	88.9	5,153	82.7
Hispanic or Latino	498	9.3	874	14.0
Black	12	0.2	18	0.3
Asian or Pacific Islander	52	1.0	75	1.2
American Indian	31	0.6	21	0.3
Other	2	0.0	6	0.1
Multi-racial*	-	-	85	1.4
Total	5,382	100.0	6,232	100.0

Age	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
0-17	939	17.4	1,022	16.4
18+	4443	82.6	5,210	83.6
Total	5,382	100.0	6,232	100.0

^{*} The 2000 Census uses the "multi-racial" category for people who identify themselves with more than one race. The 1990 Census did not include this category.

Note: For additional census information for San Luis Obispo County, contact the council of Governments.

Cayucos Demographics

Ethnicity or Race	19	1990		000
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	2751	93.0	2,645	89.2
Hispanic or Latino	131	4.4	200	6.7
Black	10	0.3	7	0.2
Asian or Pacific Islander	43	1.5	37	1.1
American Indian	19	0.6	6	0.2
Other	6	0.2	36	1.1
Multi-racial*	-	-	48	1.5
Total	2,960	100.0	2,943	100.0

Age	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
0-17	521	17.6	495	16.8
18+	2439	82.4	2,448	83.2
Total	2,960	100.0	2,943	100.0

^{*} The 2000 Census uses the "multi-racial" category for people who identify themselves with more than one race. The 1990 Census did not include this category.

Note: For additional census information for San Luis Obispo County, contact the council of Governments.

Heritage Ranch Demographics

Ethnicity or Race	19	1990		00
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	1,422	91.4	1,929	88.6
Hispanic or Latino	89	5.7	159	7.3
Black	10	0.6	6	0.3
Asian or Pacific Islander	15	1.0	8	0.4
American Indian	20	1.3	21	1.0
Other	0	0.0	0	0.0
Multi-racial*	-	-	48	1.6
Total	1,556	100.0	2,176	100.0

Age	1990		1990 2000		00
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
0-17	369	23.7	470	21.6	
18+	1,187	76.3	1,706	78.4	
Total	1,556	100.0	2,176	100.0	

^{*} The 2000 Census uses the "multi-racial" category for people who identify themselves with more than one race. The 1990 Census did not include this category.

Note: For additional census information for San Luis Obispo County, contact the council of Governments.

Los Osos Demographics

Ethnicity or Race	1990		90 2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	12,569	87.5	11,871	82.9
Hispanic or Latino	995	6.9	1,292	9.2
Black	106	0.7	87	0.7
Asian or Pacific Islander	609	4.2	657	4.7
American Indian	89	0.6	60	0.5
Other	9	0.1	19	0.1
Multi-racial*	-	-	85	0.6
Total	14,377	100.0	14,351	100.0

Age	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
0-17	3,363	23.4	3,105	21.6
18+	11,014	76.6	11,246	78.4
Total	14,377	100.0	14,351	100.0

^{*} The 2000 Census uses the "multi-racial" category for people who identify themselves with more than one race. The 1990 Census did not include this category.

Note: For additional census information for San Luis Obispo County, contact the council of Governments.

Nipomo Demographics

Ethnicity or Race	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	4,401	61.9	7,653	60.6
Hispanic or Latino	2,498	35.2	4,362	34.5
Black	46	0.6	64	0.5
Asian or Pacific Islander	108	1.6	169	1.3
American Indian	46	0.6	83	0.7
Other	10	0.1	20	0.2
Multi-racial*	-	-	275	2.2
Total	7,109	100.0	12,626	100.0

Age	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
0-17	2,128	29.9	3,878	44.3
18+	4,981	70.1	8,748	55.7
Total	7,109	100.0	12,626	100.0

^{*} The 2000 Census uses the "multi-racial" category for people who identify themselves with more than one race. The 1990 Census did not include this category.

Note: For additional census information for San Luis Obispo County, contact the council of Governments.

Oceano Demographics

Ethnicity or Race	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	3,708	60.1	3,548	48.9
Hispanic or Latino	2,232	36.2	3,240	44.6
Black	39	0.6	56	0.8
Asian or Pacific Islander	132	2.1	115	1.6
American Indian	58	0.9	63	0.9
Other	0	0.0	13	0.2
Multi-racial*	-	-	225	3.1
Total	6,169	99.9	7,260	100.1

Age	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
0-17	1,809	29.3	2,139	29.5
18+	4,360	70.7	5,121	70.5
Total	6,169	100.0	7,260	100.0

^{*} The 2000 Census uses the "multi-racial" category for people who identify themselves with more than one race. The 1990 Census did not include this category.

Note: For additional census information for San Luis Obispo County, contact the council of Governments.

San Miguel Demographics

Ethnicity or Race	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	880	78.4	828	58.0
Hispanic or Latino	166	14.8	466	32.7
Black	36	3.2	21	1.5
Asian or Pacific Islander	14	1.3	6	0.4
American Indian	25	2.2	26	1.8
Other	2	0.2	11	0.8
Multi-racial*	-	-	69	4.8
Total	1,123	100.1	1,427	100

Age	1990		2000		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
0-17	393	35.0	471	33.0	
18+	730	65.0	956	67.0	
Total	1123	100.0	1,427	100.0	

^{*} The 2000 Census uses the "multi-racial" category for people who identify themselves with more than one race. The 1990 Census did not include this category.

Note: For additional census information for San Luis Obispo County, contact the council of Governments.

Templeton Demographics

Ethnicity or Race	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	2,596	89.9	3,906	83.4
Hispanic or Latino	239	8.3	554	11.8
Black	10	0.4	49	1.0
Asian or Pacific Islander	20	0.7	46	1.0
American Indian	21	0.7	26	0.6
Other	1	0.0	7	0.1
Multi-racial*	-	-	99	2.1
Total	2,887	100.0	4,687	100.0

Age	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
0-17	863	29.9	1,578	33.7
18+	2,024	70.1	3,109	66.3
Total	2,887	100.0	4,687	100.0

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Note: For additional census information for San Luis Obispo County, contact the council of Governments.

Arroyo Grande Demographics

Ethnicity or Race	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	12386	86.0	13109	82.7
Hispanic or Latino	1298	9.0	1770	11.2
Black	75	0.5	93	0.6
Asian or Pacific Islander	503	3.5	495	3.1
American Indian	96	0.7	55	0.3
Other	20	0.1	13	0.1
Multi-racial*	-		316	2.0
Total	14398	99.8	15851	100

Age	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
0-17	3370	23.4	3697	23.3
18+	11028	76.6	12154	76.7
Total	14398	100.0	15851	100.0

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Note: For additional census information for San Luis Obispo County, contact the council of Governments.

Atascadero Demographics

Ethnicity or Race	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	20504	88.6	21850	82.7
Hispanic or Latino	1972	8.5	2783	10.5
Black	230	1.0	603	2.3
Asian or Pacific Islander	226	1.0	347	1.3
American Indian	194	0.8	160	0.6
Other	12	0.05	55	0.2
Multi-racial*			613	2.3
Total	23138	99.95	26411	99.9

Age	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
0-17	6727	29.1	6772	25.6
18+	16411	70.9	19639	74.4
Total	23138	100.0	26411	100.0

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Note: For additional census information for San Luis Obispo County, contact the council of Governments.

Grover Beach Demographics

Ethnicity or Race	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	8572	73.4	9023	69.1
Hispanic or Latino	2280	19.6	2941	22.5
Black	188	1.6	99	0.8
Asian or Pacific Islander	479	4.1	498	3.8
American Indian	130	1.1	115	0.9
Other	7	0.06	29	0.2
Multi-racial*	-	-	362	2.8
Total	11656	99.86	13067	100.1

Age	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
0-17	2988	25.6	3346	25.6
18+	8668	74.4	9721	74.4
Total	11656	100.0	13067	100.0

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Note: For additional census information for San Luis Obispo County, contact the council of Governments.

Morro Bay Demographics

Ethnicity or Race	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	8619	89.2	8630	83.4
Hispanic or Latino	744	7.7	1183	11.4
Black	42	0.4	59	0.6
Asian or Pacific Islander	164	1.7	187	1.8
American Indian	89	0.9	79	0.8
Other	6	0.06	9	0.09
Multi-racial*			203	2.0
Total	9664	99.96	10350	100.09

Age	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
0-17	1468	15.2	1566	15.1
18+	8196	84.8	8784	84.9
Total	9664	100.0	10350	100.0

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Note: For additional census information for San Luis Obispo County, contact the council of Governments.

Pismo Beach Demographics

Ethnicity or Race	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	6961	90.8	7449	87.1
Hispanic or Latino	495	6.5	589	6.9
Black	36	0.5	49	0.6
Asian or Pacific Islander	142	1.9	249	2.9
American Indian	32	0.4	41	0.5
Other	3	0.04	11	0.1
Multi-racial*	-	-	163	1.9
Total	7669	100.14	8551	100

Age	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
0-17	1131	14.7	1307	15.3
18+	6538	85.3	7244	84.7
Total	7669	100.0	8551	100.0

^{*} The 2000 Census uses the "multi-racial" category for people who identify themselves with more than one race. The 1990 Census did not include this category.

Note: For additional census information for San Luis Obispo County, contact the council of Governments.

Paso Robles Demographics

Ethnicity or Race	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	14056	75.6	15600	64.2
Hispanic or Latino	3367	18.1	6735	27.7
Black	621	3.3	751	3.1
Asian or Pacific Islander	326	1.8	444	1.8
American Indian	183	1.0	174	0.7
Other	30	0.2	30	0.1
Multi-racial*			563	2.3
Total	18583	100	24297	99.9

Age	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
0-17	5436	29.3	7240	29.8
18+	13147	70.7	17057	70.2
Total	18583	100.0	24297	100.0

^{*} The 2000 Census uses the "multi-racial" category for people who identify themselves with more than one race. The 1990 Census did not include this category.

Note: For additional census information for San Luis Obispo County, contact the council of Governments.

City of San Luis Obispo Demographics

Ethnicity or Race	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	34961	83.3	34756	78.7
Hispanic or Latino	3951	9.4	5147	11.7
Black	749	1.8	594	1.3
Asian or Pacific Islander	2046	4.9	2335	5.3
American Indian	217	0.5	189	0.4
Other	34	0.08	78	0.2
Multi-racial*			1075	2.4
Total	41958	99.98	44174	100

Age	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
0-17	5788	13.8	6263	14.2
18+	36170	86.2	37911	85.8
Total	41958	100.0	44174	100.0

^{*} The 2000 Census uses the "multi-racial" category for people who identify themselves with more than one race. The 1990 Census did not include this category.

Note: For additional census information for San Luis Obispo County, contact the council of Governments.

12 Senior Demographic Profile

Persons aged 60+, as a percent of total population

San Luis Obispo

	County	California
1980	28,810	3,406,639
% of population	18.5	14.4
1990	39,878	4,234,871
% of population	18.4	14.2
2000	45,167	4,742,499
% of population	18.3	14.0

Source: Central Coast Commission for Senior Citizens, Area Agency on Aging and U.S. Census, 2000.

Persons aged 65+, by jurisdiction

		Population	
Jurisdiction	Total Population	+65	Percent 65+
San Luis Obispo City and surrounding rural areas	43,478	5,959	14
Los Osos	14,369	2,459	17
Arroyo Grande	14,215	3,830	27
Atascadero	22,876	2,937	13
Cambria	5,377	1,351	25
Cayucos	2,946	700	24
Grover Beach	11,615	1,496	13
Morro Bay	9,379	2,767	30
Nipomo	7,097	1,440	20
Oceano	6,124	692	11
Paso Robles	18,529	3,778	20
Pismo Beach	7,625	1677	22
San Miguel	1,123	125	11
Santa Margarita	1,066	114	11
Shandon	1,902	68	4
Templeton	2,795	953	34
County of San Luis Obispo	217,162	30,612	14

Source: Central Coast Commission for Senior Citizens/ Area Agency on Aging (adapted from U.S. Census, 1990), 1999.

Note: Statistics taken from ACTION 1999 Data Report. Updated information not available.

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J1 Telephone Questionnaire

My YN Ob ye qu	MCA and several other local organizations of county. Your opinions are crucars. You will not be asked to buy any estion?	calling on behalf of San Luis Obispo County, the United Way, the tions. We are conducting a survey of the quality of life in San Luis cial to help develop plans for our community during the next five ything or make a donation of any kind. May I please ask the first oring organizations, say: San Luis Obispo Community Health omic Opportunity Commission.
	{Do not ask} Respondent is: (1) Male	mic opportunity commission.
2.	(2) FemaleWhat city/town do you live in or live	closest to?
	(01) Adelaida (02) Arroyo Grande (03) Atascadero (04) Avila Beach (05) Baywood (06) California Valley (07) Cambria (08) Camp Roberts (09) Cayucos (10) Cholame (11) Creston (12) Cuesta-by-the-Sea (13) Grover Beach (14) Halcyon (15) Harmony (16) Huasna	(17) Los Osos (18) Morro Bay (19) Nipomo (20) Oceano (21) Paso Robles (22) Pismo Beach (23) Pozo (24) San Luis Obispo (25) San Miguel (26) Santa Margarita (27) San Simeon (28) Shandon (29) Shell Beach (30) Templeton (31) Welsona (32) Whitley Gardens
	[If response is 02, 03, 13, 18, 21, otherwise, skip Q3.1 and ask Q3.	22, 24 or 29, ask Q3.1 and skip Q3.2; 2]
3.	3.1 {added} Do you live within the(1) Yes(2) No(8) Refused(9) Don't Know	e city limits of{insert previous answer}?
	3.2 {added} Do you live within the(1) Yes(2) No(8) Refused(9) Don't Know	service district boundary of{insert previous answer}?

4.	How concerned are you about the following issues in your community? For each one, please answer
	"Very Concerned," "Somewhat Concerned" or "Not at All" concerned. [Rotate order]

(01) Traffic congestion	(1) Very	(2) Somewhat	(9) Not at all
(02) Drug, tobacco & alcohol abuse	(1) Very	(2) Somewhat	(9) Not at all
(03) Family violence	(1) Very	(2) Somewhat	(9) Not at all
(04) Child abuse	(1) Very	(2) Somewhat	(9) Not at all
(05) Senior abuse	(1) Very	(2) Somewhat	(9) Not at all
(06) Racism	(1) Very	(2) Somewhat	(9) Not at all
(07) Crime	(1) Very	(2) Somewhat	(9) Not at all
(08) Homelessness	(1) Very	(2) Somewhat	(9) Not at all
(09) Employment opportunities	(1) Very	(2) Somewhat	(9) Not at all
(10) Gangs	(1) Very	(2) Somewhat	(9) Not at all
(11) Housing costs	(1) Very	(2) Somewhat	(9) Not at all
(12) Building in open space	(1) Very	(2) Somewhat	(9) Not at all
(13) Loss of wildlife habitat	(1) Very	(2) Somewhat	(9) Not at all
(14) Water quality	(1) Very	(2) Somewhat	(9) Not at all
(15) Air pollution	(1) Very	(2) Somewhat	(9) Not at all

- 5. How safe would you say you feel in your neighborhood?
 - (1) Very safe
 - (2) Somewhat safe
 - (3) Not at all safe
 - (8) Refused [Don't Prompt]
 - (9) Don't Know [Don't Prompt]
- 6. Have you felt discriminated against in San Luis Obispo County in the last twelve months?
 - (1) Yes [If YES, Ask question 6.1]
 - (2) No [If NO, Skip to question 7]
 - 6.1 For what reason? [Do not read list. Enter up to two responses]
 - (1) Ethnicity / race
 - (2) Gender
 - (3) Age
 - (4) Language
 - (5) Sexual orientation
 - (6) Income
 - (7) Disability
 - (8) Other [please specify]_____

	(1) one		(5) fi	ve								
	(2) two		(6) s	ix								
	(3) three		(7) s	even or r	nore							
	(4) four											
8.	Do you hav (1) Yes (2) No [If I					the age	of 18?					
9.	What are to	he ages	of you	r children	living a	t home?	[enter	all that a	pply]			
	Under 1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18 an	d over			
10.	Is this a sir (1) Yes (2) No	ngle pare	ent hou	sehold?								
	[if younge to questio									child is	ages 6-14, s	skip
11.	 11. {for CFC} In the past year, have you taken part in any parent or family education programs or classes? (1) Yes (2) No (8) Refused (9) Don't Know 											
12.	{for CFC} child or chi					nes do y	ou or of	her adul	ts in you	r househ	nold read to	your
	(1) None (2) 1-2 (3) 3-5 (4) 6-10 (5) More than 10 (8) Refused (9) Don't Know											
13.	Now, think							nd of chil	dcare yo	u need	for your child	dren
	(1) Yes [l (2) No [if (8) Refuse (9) Don't k	No, Ski j ed										

7. Including yourself, how many people live in your household?

		0 –2 years		3 - 5 years		∃ 6-14 years			
		(2) Part time (0-6hrs/day)		(2) Part time (0-6hrs/da	ay) [(2) Part time (0-6hrs/day)			
		(3) Full time (6-8hrs/day)		(3) Full time (6-8hrs/da	ay) C	3 (3) Full time (6-8hrs/day)			
		(4) Non traditional hours (weekends, holidays, evenings)		(4) Non traditional hours (weekends, holidays, evenings)	,	(4) Non traditional hours (weekends, holidays, evenings)			
		(5) {added} Child care for a child who is sick		(5) {added} Child care for child who is sick	ora E	(5) {added} Child care for a child who is sick			
14	14. Where is childcare needed? [check all that apply] (1) Near home (2) At or near school (3) Near work								
15	(1)	you have children in local sch Yes [If yes, Ask questio No [If no, Skip to quest	ns 10	6 - 19]					
16	(1) (2)	e they in: [Circle all that apply Elementary School Middle School / Junior High High School	']						
17		ow often do you participate in a d extra curricular activities?	ctiviti	es in your [enter previous	s respo	nse(s)] child's educational			
	(1) (2)	Often (1) (2) Sometimes (2)	Ofter	(1) etimes (2)	gh Scho Often Somet Never				
18		ow serious would you say the a sponse(s)] child's school?	lcoh	ol and drug abuse problem	n is at yo	our [enter previous			
	(1) (2) (3)	Very serious (1) Somewhat serious (2) Somewhat serious (3) I	Very Some Not a	gh/Middle School (6-8) serious ewhat serious t all serious know	(1) (2) (3)	gh School(9-12)) Very serious) Somewhat serious) Not at all serious) Don't know			

19. Does your child or children have enough activities after school and on weekends, including recreational activities?

Elementary(K-5) Junior High/Middle School(6-8) High School (9-12) (1) Yes (1) Yes

- (1) Tos (1) Tos (2) No (2) No (2) No
- (9) Don't know (9) Don't know (9) Don't know
- 20. Do you, or does anyone in your household, have a permanent physical or mental impairment that substantially limits a major life activity?
 - (1) Yes
 - (2) No
 - (8) Refused
 - (9) Don't Know
- 21. Are you the care giver to a disabled child, disabled adult or older person?
 - (1) Yes [If YES, ask question 21.1]
 - (2) No
 - (8) Refused
 - (9) Don't Know
 - 21.1 Would that include a... [Read list and enter all that apply]
 - (1) Disabled child
 - (2) Disabled adult
 - (3) Older person
- 22. Do you feel you are better off this year than last year economically?
 - (1) Yes
 - (2) No
 - (3) About the same
- 23. **{Re-wording}** Is one third or more of your income used to pay for housing, <u>including utilities</u>, <u>such as</u> gas and electricity?
 - (1) Yes [If Yes, Ask question 23.1]
 - (2) No [If No, Skip to question 24]
 - (8) Refused
 - (9) Don't Know
 - 23.1 Is half or more of your income used to pay for housing, including utilities, such as gas and electricity?
 - (1) Yes
 - (2) No
 - (8) Refused
 - (9) Don't Know

24.	In any giver or health ca		to go without bas	sic needs such	as food, clothing, childcare, housing
		If Yes, Ask questi If No, skip to ques			
	24.1 (1) (2)	If yes, what need do Food (3) (Clothing (4) H	you go without? Childcare Housing	{added} (chec (5) (6)	ck all that apply) Health Care Other (specify)
25.		ecause you could not a		health care in	the past year and been unable to
26.	Have you e insurance to (1) Yes (2) No (8) Refuse (9) Don't K	o do so? d	k to a mental hea	alth professiona	al but have not had the money or
27.	(1) Yes [If	e health insurance? YES, Ask question 2 NO, why not? please			
Does that include insurance through: [Read each one and enter all that app (1) your employer or spouse's employer (2) a State or Federal program such as MediCal or MediCare (3) private insurance you purchased on your own (8) Refused (9) Don't Know					
	27.2	Does it cover: [Read	each one and e	nter all that ap	oply]
	(4) Regular(5) Substar(6) Prescrip(7) Hospita	care health benefits r physical exams nce abuse treatment otions	(1) Yes (1) Yes (1) Yes (1) Yes (1) Yes (1) Yes (1) Yes (1) Yes	(2) No (2) No (2) No (2) No (2) No (2) No (2) No (2) No	 (9) Don't know

- 28. Do you have a regular source of primary health care?
 - (1) Yes
 - (2) No
 - (8) Refused
 - (9) Don't Know
- 29. How satisfied are you with your medical care? [Read list]
 - (1) Very satisfied
 - (2) Somewhat satisfied
 - (3) Not at all satisfied
- 30. How long has it been since you last visited a doctor for a routine check up? [read list]
 - (1) Within the past year
 - (2) 1-2 years
 - (3) 3-5 years
 - (4) More than 5 years ago
 - (5) Never

[If youngest child is age 14 or younger, ask Q31 and Q32; otherwise, skip to Q33]

- 31. **(for CFC)** How long has it been since any of your children visited a doctor for a routine check up? **[read list]**
 - (1) within past 6 months (since August 2000)
 - (2) from 6 months to 1 year ago
 - (3) more than 1 year ago
- 32. **(for CFC)** Have you ever heard of the Healthy Families Program? [If asked about description, say "The Healthy Families Program provides low-cost health insurance for children who do not already have insurance, and whose parents have limited income."]
 - (1) Yes
 - (2) No
 - (9) Don't Know
- 33. Do you have a regular source of dental care?
 - (1) Yes
 - (2) No
 - (8) Refused
 - (9) Don't Know
- 34. How long has it been since you last visited a dentist for a routine check up? [read list]
 - (1) Within the past year
 - (2) 1-2 years
 - (3) 3-5 years
 - (4) More than 5 years ago
 - (5) Never
 - (9) Don't Know

[If youngest child is age 14 or younger, ask Q 35-37; otherwise, skip to Q38]

35.	<pre>{for CFC} How long has it been since any of your children visited a dentist for a routine check up? [read list] (1) Within the past year (2) 1-2 years (3) 3-5 years (4) More than 5 years ago (5) Never (9) Don't Know</pre>
36.	{for CFC} (Has your child / Have any of your children) ever had their teeth sealed by a dentist? [If necessary, say: "That is when a dentist applies sealant material to permanent teeth of children between the ages of 7 and 12 to help protect against cavities"] (1) Yes (2) No (8) Refused (9) Don't' Know
37.	{for CFC} In the past year, have you received any information, education, or training on how to take care of your child(ren)'s teeth and gums, from a dentist, health class, or school? (1) Yes (2) No (8) Refused (9) Don't Know
38.	 {added from CHIS} [INSERT IF FEMALE: "Other than during pregnancy,] Has a doctor ever told you that you have diabetes or sugar diabetes? (1) Yes (2) No [if NO, Skip to 40] (8) Refused [if Refused, Skip to 40] (9) Don't Know [if Don't Know, Skip to 40]
39.	{added from CHIS} About how many times per day, per week, or per month do you or a family member or friend check your blood for glucose or sugar? times per day times per week times per month (1) Never (8) Refused (9) Don't Know
40.	{added from CHIS} Has a doctor ever told you that you have asthma? (1) Yes (2) No [if No, Skip to 42] (8) Refused [if Refused, Skip to 42] (9) Don't Know [if Don't Know, Skip to 42]

41.	 {added from CHIS} Are you currently taking any medications to control your asthma, including an inhaler? (1) Yes (2) No (8) Refused (9) Don't Know
42.	Do you regularly donate blood? (1) Yes (2) No [if NO, ask 42.1] (8) Refused (9) Don't Know
	42.1 What would you say is the main reason that you do not donate blood? (specify)
43.	How many days a week do you spend 30 minutes or more doing some kind of physical activity such as brisk walking, going to the gym, cleaning house or gardening? (1) None (2) 1-2 days (3) 3-4 days (4) 5 or more days
44.	{added from CHIS} {IF FEMALE, ASK} Have you EVER had a mammogram?
	[IF NECESSARY, SAY: "A mammogram is an x-ray taken of each breast separately by a machine that flattens or squeezes each breast."] (1) Yes (2) No (8) Refused
	(9) Don't Know
45.	{for tobacco control} Do you now smoke cigarettes everyday, some days, or not at all? (same as CHIS and CDC)
	 (1) Everyday (2) Some days (3) Not at all [if Not at all, Skip to 47] (8) Refused [if Refused, Skip to 47]
46.	{for tobacco control} In the past 12 months, have you:
	a. Quit smoking for 1 day or longer? (same as CDC) (1) Yes (2) No (3) Refused
	 b. Attended any class or participated in any program to help you stop smoking? (1) Yes (2) No (3) Refused

47.	 {for tobacco control} In the past 30 days has anyone, including yourself, smoked cigarettes, cigars, or pipes anywhere inside your home? (same as CDC) (1) Yes (2) No [if No, Skip to 49] (8) Refused [if Refused, Skip to 49] (9) Don't Know [if Don't Know, Skip to 49]
48.	{for tobacco control} Have there been any non-smokers present in your home while someone was smoking?
	(1) Yes(2) No(8) Refused(9) Don't Know
49.	<pre>{for tobacco control} Do you currently use any smokeless tobacco products, such as chewing tobacco or snuff? (1) Yes (2) No (8) Refused (9) Don't Know</pre>
50.	Do you currently smoke cigars or a pipe? (1) Yes (2) No (8) Refused (9) Don't Know
51.	How many servings of alcohol do you generally drink in a week? (1) None (2) 1-2 (3) 3-5 (4) 6 or more
52.	Would you say that in general, your physical health (including physical illness and injury) is: (1) Excellent (2) Very good (3) Good (4) Fair (5) Poor
53.	Would you say that in general, your mental health (which includes stress, depression and problems with emotions) is: (1) Excellent (2) Very good (3) Good (4) Fair (5) Poor

- 54. **{added for County Health Dept.}** These next questions are about safety and firearms. All of your answers will be kept confidential. Do you have any firearms kept in or around your home? Include those kept in a garage, outdoor storage area, car, truck, or other motor vehicles.
 - (1) Yes
 - (2) No [if No, Skip to question 57]
 - (8) Refused [if Refused, Skip to question 57]
 - (9) Don't Know [if Don't Know, Skip to question 57]
- 55. **{added from CHIS}** Are any of the firearms in or around your home handguns, such as pistols or revolvers?
 - (1) Yes
 - (2) No [if No, Skip to question 57]
 - (8) Refused [if Refused, Skip to question 57]
 - (9) Don't Know [if Don't Know, Skip to question 57]
- 56. **(from County Health Department)** How many of the firearms are currently stored under lock and key? **[Read List]**
 - (1) All of them
 - (2) Some of them
 - (3) None of them
- 57. **{added }** In the past three months, how many times have you visited any outdoor recreation facility in SLO County such as a park, trail, or beach? **[Read list]**
 - (1) None
 - (2) 1-2
 - (3) 3-5
 - (4) 6-10
 - (5) 11-25
 - (6) 26-50
 - (0) 20-30
 - (7) more than 50
- 58. {added } How many times have you visited any public library in the past three months? [Read list]
 - (1) None
 - (2) 1-2
 - (3) 3-5
 - (4) 6-10
 - (5) 11-25
 - (6) 26-50
 - (7) 50 or more
- 59. {added } How would you rate SLO county in the following areas:

	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	DK
 (1) Parks & recreation opportunities (2) Public transportation services (3) Library services (4) County government, including majorunits such as the sheriff, social services County planning & building, Elections of health department, assessor, tax collect roads, and the County board of Supervision 	s, ffice, tor,	(2) (2) (2) (2)	(3) (3) (3) (3)	(4) (4) (4) (4)	(5) (5) (5) (5)	(9) (9) (9) (9)

60. **{added }** Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements: "The county should spend more money to: ..."

	Strongly				Strongly		
	Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Disagree	DK	
(1) Buy and preserve open spaces	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
(2) Construct public recreation facilities	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
(3) Expand library services, including extending the hours they are open	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	

61.	Generally speaking, what one thing contributes most to your quality of life in San Luis Obispo
	County? (What do you like about San Luis Obispo County?)

62.	Generally speaking,	what one th	ning do you thin	k takes away	most from	your quality	of life?	(What
	don't you like about	San Luis Ob	oispo County?)					

Demographics

- 63. Finally, we have a few questions just for confidential classification purposes. How long have you lived in San Luis Obispo County? [Read choices and select one]
 - (1) less than 1 year
 - (2) 1 to 4 years
 - (3) 5 to 10 years
 - (4) 11 to 20 years
 - (5) 21 years or more
 - (6) 60 to 64 years
 - (7) 65 to 69 years
 - (8) Refused
 - (9) Don't Know

64.	Which of the following age groups are you in? [Read list and circle one response] {response					
	ranges changed from 1999}					
	(1)	18 to 24 years				
	(2) 2	25 to 34 years				
	(3) 3	35 to 44 years				
	(4)	45 to 54 years				
	(5) 5	55 to 59 years				
	(6) 6	60 to 64 years				
	(7)	65 to 69 years				
	(8)	70 to 79 years				
	(9) 8	30 years and over				
	(88)	Refused				
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65.	_	those age 55 or older] Please			rollowing items	is a "Major Problem," a
		or Problem," or "Not a Problem"	ior		(O) Minor	(O) Not a Drahlam
	` ,	Housing		(1) Major	(2) Minor	(9) Not a Problem
	` ,	Transportation		(1) Major	(2) Minor	(9) Not a Problem
	` ,	Loneliness		(1) Major	(2) Minor	(9) Not a Problem
		Not Having Enough Money		(1) Major	(2) Minor	(9) Not a Problem
	` ,	Taking Care of Yourself Physic	ally	(1) Major	(2) Minor	(9) Not a Problem
		Getting Prescription Drugs		(1) Major	(2) Minor	(9) Not a Problem
	` ,	Dental Care		(1) Major	(2) Minor	(9) Not a Problem
	` ,	Eating Nutritious Food		(1) Major	(2) Minor	(9) Not a Problem
	(09)	In-home Care		(1) Major	(2) Minor	(9) Not a Problem
66.	Whic	ch of the following best describe	s yo	ur ethnic group?		
	(1)	Caucasian	(5)	Asian		
	(2)	Latino	(6)	Multi-racial		
	(3)	Native American	(7)	Other (specify)_		
	(4)	African American	(8)	Refused		

- 67. How many wage earners (18 and over) live in your household?
 - (1) one
 - (2) two
 - (3) three
 - (4) four
 - (5) five
 - (6) over 5
 - (8) Refused
- 68. Which income range best describes your household income? [Read list and circle one response]
 - (01) Less than \$15,000 per year
 - (02) \$15,000 \$25,000 per year
 - (03) \$25,000 \$35,000 per year
 - (04) \$35,000 \$45,000 per year
 - (05) \$45,000 \$65,000 per year
 - (06) \$65,000 \$80,000 per year
 - (07) \$80,000 \$100,00 per year
 - (08) \$100,00- \$125,000 per year
 - (09) \$125,000- \$150,000 per year
 - (10) Over \$150,000 per year
 - (88) Refused
- 69. **{added}** Excluding Social Security retirement checks, are you or is anyone in your household now receiving regular payments or benefits from any government program? This would include programs such as Medicare, food stamps, and rent subsidies as well as others.
 - (1) Yes [If Yes, ask 69.1]
 - (2) No
 - (8) Refused
 - (9) Don't Know

69.1 What program or programs would that be?

[Don't prompt i	unless asked;	select all	that apply	y]
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- (01) Medicare
- (02) Medical
- (03) CalWORKS, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) (was AFDC)
- (04)Food stamps
- (05) Social Security retirement payments
- (06) Social Security survivors payments (payments to family members when a worker dies)
- (07) Social Security disability payments (for adult or child with a disability)
- (07) General Assistance
- (08) Section 8 Housing, rent assistance
- (09) Women Infants and Children (WIC)
- (10) Other (write in) _____
- 70. What is your highest level of education? [Read list and circle one response {prompt added}]
 - (1) No formal education
 - (2) Elementary School
 - (3) Junior High School
 - (4) High School
 - (5) Vocational/Trade School
 - (6) Community College / Junior College
 - (7) Four-year College
 - (8) Graduate School
- 71. Do you own or rent your primary residence?
 - (1) Own
 - (2) Rent

72.	Wh	at is your employment status? [Read list and circle up to two responses]
	(1)	Employed full-time
	(2)	Employed part -time
	(3)	Unemployed
	(4)	Self-employed
	(5)	Retired
	(6)	Student
	(7)	Homemaker
	(8)	Disabled
73.	Wh	at is the zip code where you live?

Closing script: Thank you for taking the time to talk with me today.

- 74. Language: (1) English (2) Spanish

J2 Community Survey

ACTION for Healthy Communities

San Luis Obispo schools, hospitals, government and other local organizations are conducting a survey of the quality of life in San Luis Obispo County. Your opinions are crucial to help develop plans for the community. OF

dur	ing the next few years. Please take a fe N LUIS OBISPO COUNTY SHOULD Co	w minutes to give	e us your opinions.	ONLY ADULT RESIDENTS OF
1.	How concerned are you about the fo one answer: "Very" "Somewhat" or	ollowing issues "Not at All" con	in your community cerned.	7? For each one, please circle
	 (01) Traffic congestion (02) Drug, tobacco & alcohol abuse (03) Family violence (04) Child abuse (05) Senior abuse (06) Racism (07) Crime (08) Homelessness (09) Employment opportunities (10) Gangs (11) Housing costs (12) Building in open space (13) Loss of wildlife habitat (14) Water quality (15) Air pollution 	(1) Very	(2) Somewhat (3) Somewhat (4) Somewhat (5) Somewhat (6) Somewhat	 (9) Not at all
2.	How safe would you say you feel in (1) Very safe (2) Somewhat safe (3) Not at all safe	your neighborh	ood?	
3.	Do you feel you are better off this yet (1) Yes (2) No (3) About the same	ear than last yea	r <u>economically</u> ?	
4.	In any given month, do you have to housing or health care?	go without basi	c needs such as fo	ood, clothing, childcare,
	(1) Yes [If Yes, Answer question (2) No [If No, skip to question			
	4.1 If yes, what do you go v (1) Food (3) Childea (2) Clothing (4) Housin	are	(5) Health Care	

5.	Have you fe months?	It discriminated against in San Luis Obispo County in the last twelve
	(1) Yes	[If YES, Answer question 5.1]
	(2) No	[If NO, Skip to question 6]
	5.1 For wha	treason? (1) Ethnicity / race (2) Gender (3) Age (4) Language (5) Sexual orientation (6) Income (7) Disability (8) Other [please specify]
6.		a member of your household needed health care in the past year and been ceive it because you could not afford it?
7.		ver felt the need to talk to a mental health professional but have not had the surance to do so?
8.		e health insurance?
	(1) Yes (2) No [If N	O, why not? please specify]
9.	Do you have (1) Yes (2) No (9) Don't Kn	e a regular source of primary health care?
10.	Would you sinjury) is: (1) Excellen (2) Very good (3) Good (4) Fair (5) Poor	

11.	Do you have a permanent physical or mental impairment that substantially limits a major life activity?
	(1) Yes (2) No
12.	Are you currently homeless? (1) Yes (2) No
13.	Which of the following best describes you? (1) Working full time (35 hours a week or more) (2) Working part time (3) Looking for work (4) Homemaker (5) Retired (6) Student (7) Unable to work because of a disability
14.	Are you a single parent? (1) Yes (2) No
15.	Is one third or more of your income used to pay for housing, including utilities, such as gas and electricity? (1) Yes (2) No
16.	Is there a working telephone where you live? (1) Yes (2) No (8) Don't Know
17.	Do you have any firearms kept in or around your home? Include those kept in a garage, outdoor storage area, car, truck, or other motor vehicles. (Answers will be kept confidential) (1) Yes (2) No (8) Don't Know
18.	Including yourself, how many people live in your household? (1) one (5) five (2) two (6) six (3) three (7) seven or more (4) four

19.	now receiving regular payments or be	checks, are you or is anyone in your household enefits from any government program? This would food stamps, and rent subsidies as well as others.
	If yes, what program(s) would that	at be?
20.	Which of the following age groups are (1) 18 to 24 years (2) 25 to 34 years (3) 35 to 44 years (4) 45 to 54 years (5) 55 to 59 years (6) 60 to 64 years (7) 65 to 69 years (8) 70 to 79 years (9) 80 years and over	e you in? [circle one response]
21.	Which income range best describes y (01) Less than \$15,000 per year (02) \$15,000 - \$25,000 per year (03) \$25,000 - \$35,000 per year (04) \$35,000 - \$45,000 per year (05) \$45,000 - \$65,000 per year (06) \$65,000 - \$80,000 per year (07) \$80,000 - \$100,00 per year (08) \$100,000 - \$125,000 per year (09) \$125,000 - \$150,000 per year (10) Over \$150,000 per year	your household income? [circle one response]
22.	Which of the following best describes	s your ethnic group?
	(1) Caucasian/White	(5) Asian
	(2) Latino	(6) Multi-racial
	(3) Native American	(7) Other (specify)
	(4) African American	
23.	What is the zip code where you live?	