

2000 Census Summary Merced County Education Characteristics

	Number	Percentage
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT		
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school		
Nursery school, preschool	70,396	
Kindergarten	3,578	5.1
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	3,992	5.7
High school (grades 9-12)	35,010	49.7
College or graduate school	16,739	23.8
	11,077	15.7
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 years and over		
Less than 9 th grade	116,725	
9 th to 12 th grade, no diploma	25,184	21.6
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	17,063	14.6
Some college, no degree	27,901	23.9
Associate degree	25,632	22.0
Bachelor's degree	8,049	6.9
Graduate or professional degree	8,882	7.6
	4,014	3.4
Percent high school graduate or higher	63.8	
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	11.0	

Table DP-2: Profile of Selected Social Characteristics