

## **Education Data for Buffalo**

## Educational Attainment of Those Over Age 25 (2009 American Community Survey)<sup>i</sup>

	City of Buffalo (174,290)	Buffalo-Niagara Falls Metropolitan Area (771,830)	National Average (201,952,383)
Less than High School Diploma	18.91%	11.23%	14.75%
High School Diploma or Equivalent	29.47%	30.91%	28.50%
Some College or Associate's Degree	28.22%	29.65%	28.86%
Bachelor Degree	12.76%	16.69%	17.58%
Graduate or Professional Degree	10.07%	12.52%	10.32%

## Four Year Graduation Rate<sup>ii</sup>

	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
City of Buffalo	47.4% <sup>v</sup>	53.1% <sup>v</sup>	52.00%	45.00%	50.00%
New York State	73.4% <sup>v</sup>	71.8% <sup>v</sup>	70.90%	69.30%	-
United States Average			70.6% <sup>iii</sup>	68.80% <sup>iv</sup>	69.20% <sup>v</sup>

	Male	Female
Black	10.00%	12.00%
American Indian	13.00%	14.00%
Asian/Pacific Islander	69.00%	56.00%
Hispanic	15.00%	16.00%
Non-Hispanic White	26.00%	23.00%

## Percent of Adults with Bachelor's Degree: Buffalo-Niagara Metropolitan Area, 2000

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http://www.districtadministration.com/newssummary.aspx?postid=52793); Simon, Peter. "City gains in rate of high school graduation - but continues to trail state, other districts in rgion." *The Buffalo News*, 23 June 2009; and Simon, Peter. "Educators clash over interpretation of graduation rates - Buffalo superintendent accuses state of pushing charter school

agenda." *The Buffalo News*. 10 March 2010.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>http://factfinder.census.gov/servlet/DTTable? bm=y&-context=dt&-ds name=ACS 2009 1YR G00 &-CONTEXT=dt&-mt name=ACS 2009 1YR G2000 B15003&-tree id=309&-geo id=01000US&-geo\_id=16000US3611000&-geo\_id=31000US15380&-search\_results=31000US15380&-format=&-\_lang=en</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>ii</sup>This represents the percentage of students who graduated within four years of entering high school. For comparison, many suburban districts, including Iroquois, Clarence, East Aurora, Eden, North Collins, Orchard Park, Williamsville, and Barker, had graduation rates between 90-95% in 2008. See

http://www.csmonitor.com/USA/Education/2010/0610/Graduation-rate-for-US-high-schoolers-falls-for-second-straightyear

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>v</sup> <u>http://www.buffalonews.com/city/article454554.ece</u>