

## Michigan Fact Sheet

### I. Enrollment and Growth since 2000

*In Michigan, charter school enrollment increased from 54,750 students in 2000-01 to 99,360 in 2007-08 (81% increase from 2000-2007). In 2007-08, 6.2% of students in the state were enrolled in charter schools.*

- Table 1: Charter School Enrollment and Growth, 2000-01 and 2007-08
- Table 2: Charter School Enrollment as Percentage Public School Enrollment

*Michigan's charter schools increased from 178 in 2000-01 to 266 in 2007-08. There were three metropolitan areas with at least eleven charter schools in Michigan. The Detroit-Warren-Livonia metropolitan area had 158 charter schools.*

- Table A-1: Number of Charter Schools by State, 2000-01 and 2007-08
- Table 3: Charter School Enrollment and Percentage of Total Enrollment by MSA
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CBSA	Charter Schools	Charter Enrollment	Charter %
Detroit-Warren-Livonia, MI	158	65,387	9.0%
Flint, MI	11	5,109	6.6%
Grand Rapids-Wyoming, MI	18	7,837	5.9%

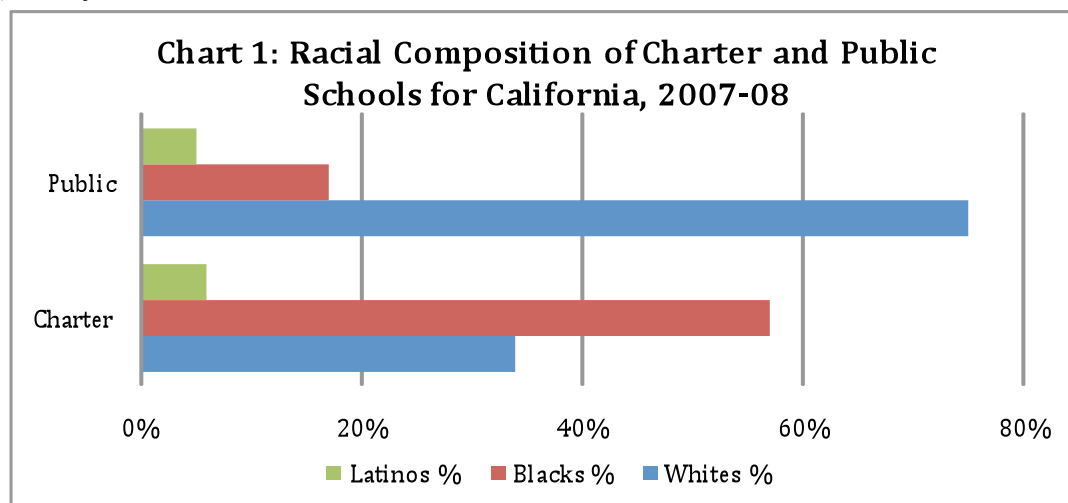
### II. Racial/Ethnic Composition of Charter Schools

*Of the 98,722 students in Michigan charter schools,<sup>1</sup> 34% were White, 57% Black, 5% Latino, 2% Asian, and 1% American Indian. The public schools had a much higher percentage of white students.*

- Table 6: Enrollment and Racial Composition of Charter Schools by State with more than 5,000 Charter Schools Students, 2007-08

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<sup>1</sup> The race/ethnicity of some charter school students in Michigan was not specified.



- Figure 1: White Proportion of All Students Enrolled in Charter Schools and Public Schools, 2007-08
- Figure 2: Black Proportion of All Students Enrolled in Charter Schools and Public Schools, 2007-08
- Figure 3: Latino Proportion of All Students Enrolled in Charter Schools and Public Schools, 2007-08

*In the three metropolitan areas of Michigan with at least ten charter schools, Whites comprise a larger percentage of traditional public schools than in charter schools. By contrast, Blacks comprise a lower percentage of public schools than they do in charter schools, and are substantially over-represented in charter schools in some of Michigan's largest metros. Latinos make up lower percentages of both types of schools in each area.*

CBSA	Charter			Traditional Public		
	Latino %	Black %	White %	Latino %	Black %	White %
Detroit-Warren-Livonia, MI	5%	72%	21%	3%	26%	67%
Flint, MI	3%	60%	36%	2%	26%	70%
Grand Rapids-Wyoming, MI	12%	23%	61%	10%	11%	76%

- Table 7: Racial Composition of Charter and Regular Public Schools in Selected MSAs, 2007-08
- Table A-7: Racial Composition of Charter and Regular Public Schools in Selected MSAs, 2007-08

*The Detroit-Warren-Livonia metro was one of the top 15 metros with the highest Black over-representation in charter schools.*

- Black over-representation in charter schools, top 15 MSAs, 2007-08

Metropolitan Area	Charter Black %	Public Black %	Black Charter Over-representation
Detroit-Warren-Livonia, MI	72%	26%	276.9%

### III. Segregation of Schools

#### Segregated Minority Schools

*Students of each race in Michigan were enrolled in 90-100% minority schools at higher rates in charter schools than in traditional public schools. This was particularly true for Black and Latino students. Nearly four-fifths of black students in charter schools were in intensely segregated minority schools. The percentage of White students in 90-100% minority schools was low in charter schools (2%) and negligible percentage of White students were enrolled in such intensely segregated minority traditional public schools.*

- Table 9: Percentage of Charter and Public School Students in Intensely Segregated Minority Schools, by Race/Ethnicity and State, 2007-08

State	White Share of School Enrollment			90-100% Minority Charter School Enrollment Rate			90-100% Minority Public School Enrollment Rate		
	Charter	Public	Charter-Public Difference	White	Black	Latino	White	Black	Latino
MI	34	75	-40	2	78	46	0	51	12

*In each of the three metros with at least ten charter schools, higher percentages of charter school students were enrolled in intensely segregated minority schools than among students in traditional public schools.*

Metropolitan Area	Percentage of Students in 90-100% Minority Schools	
	Charter Schools	Public Schools
Detroit-Warren-Livonia, MI	66%	18%
Flint, MI	29%	12%
Grand Rapids-Wyoming, MI	15%	6%

- Table 10: Charter and Traditional Public School Students in Intensely Segregated Minority Schools by MSA, 2007-08
- Selected MSAs, Minority Segregation in Charter and Regular Public Schools, 2007-08 [Appendix]

#### Segregated White Schools

*In Michigan, students of each race are enrolled in segregated white schools to a lower extent in charter schools. White public school students are especially more likely to be in segregated white schools (30% for charter school students and 58% for traditional public school students).*

- Table 12: Percentage of Charter and Public School Students in Intensely Segregated White Schools, by race/Ethnicity and State, 2007-08 [p. 39-40]

State	White Share of School Enrollment			90-100% White Charter School Enrollment Rate			90-100% White Public School Enrollment Rate		
	Charter	Public	Charter-Public Difference	White	Black	Latino	White	Black	Latino
MI	34	75	-40	30	0	3	58	4	19

*In the three metropolitan areas of Michigan, low percentages of charter school students were in 90-100% White schools. White students were more likely to be intensely White segregated public schools in 2007-08.*

- Table 13: Charter and Traditional Public School Students in Segregated White Schools by MSA, 2007-08
- Selected MSAs, White Segregation in Charter and Regular Public Schools, 2007-08

Metropolitan Area	White Difference (Charter-Public)	Charter Students in 90-100% White schools	Public Students in 90-100% White schools
Detroit-Warren-Livonia, MI	-45%	9%	31%
Flint, MI	-34%	0%	46%
Grand Rapids-Wyoming, MI	-14%	17%	48%

#### IV. Interracial Exposure

*During 2007-08, White students had higher isolation in public schools than in charter schools. Their exposure to Black students was about 6% in public schools (16% in charters) and their Latino exposure than Blacks, but White charter school students had lower Latino exposure was about 4% in public (5% in charters).*

- Table 16: White Exposure in Public and Charter Schools, by State, 2007-08

State	Percent White		White Isolation		White Exposure to Blacks		White Exposure to Latinos	
	Charter	Public	Charter	Public	Charter	Public	Charter	Public
MI	34	75	75	87	16	6	5	4

*In Michigan, during 2007-08, Black and Latino isolation was several times higher in charter schools than in traditional public schools. The typical Black and Latino charter school student in Michigan attended a school where approximately two-thirds or more of students were of their same race.*

- Table 17: Minority Isolation in Public and Charter Schools, by Race/Ethnicity and by State, 2007-08

State	Black Isolation (Black/Black Exposure)		Latino Isolation (Latino/Latino Exposure)	
	Charter	Public	Charter	Public
MI	87	65	39	23

*In 2007-08, Black and Latino students both had higher exposure to White students in traditional public schools than in charter schools in Michigan. Latino exposure to Whites was nearly twice as high in public schools as in charter schools, while Black exposure to White was almost three times as high.*

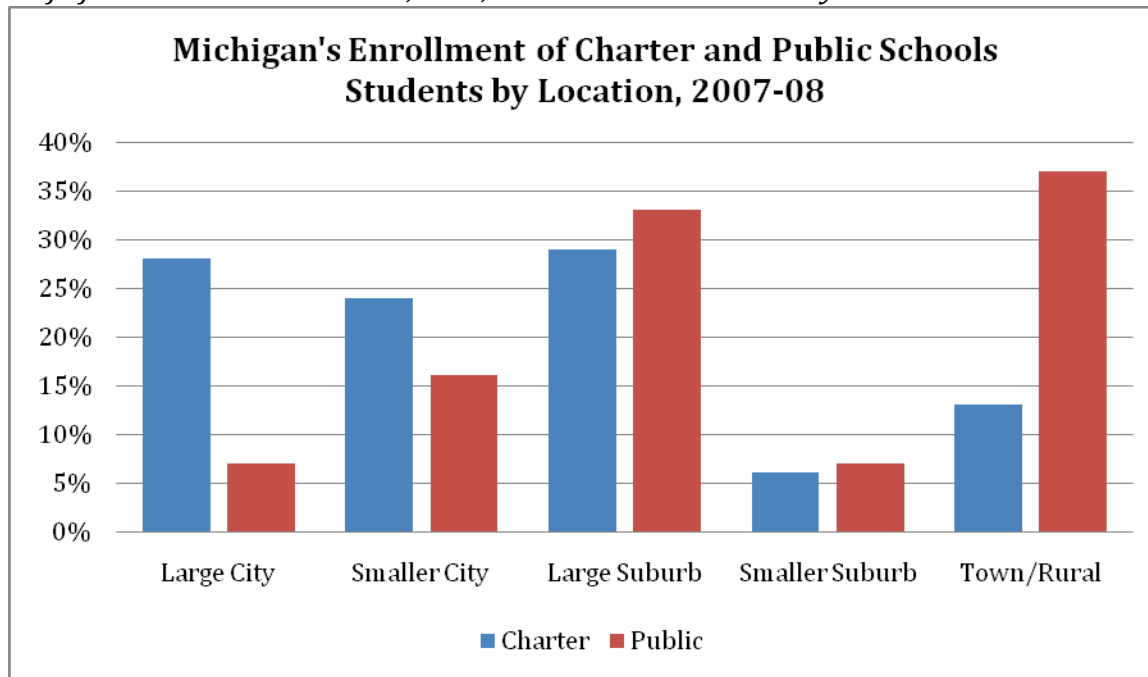
- Table 18: Minority Student Exposure to White Students in Public and Charter Schools, by Race/Ethnicity and State, 2007-08

State	Black/White Exposure	Latino/White Exposure
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	Charter	Public	Charter	Public
MI	10	28	31	58

## V. Geographic Location of Charter Schools

*During 2007-08, 13% of Michigan's enrollment of charter school students was in Rural or Town areas, a considerably lower percentage of students in these locales than among traditional public schools. Almost thirty-five percent of charter school students went to schools in the suburbs, which was lower than among traditional public schools. More than half of charter school students, 52%, went to schools in the city.*



- Figure 4: Enrollment of Charter Students by Location and State, 2007-08
- Table A-16: Charter School Students by Location and State [Appendix]
- Table A-17: Percentage of Traditional Public School Students by Location and State, 2007-08 [Appendix]
- Figure A-1: Enrollment of Non-Charter Students by Location and State, 2007-08 [Appendix]

## VI. State Legislation about Diversity

- Adopted/Amended in 1995 – Public school academy operating in a school district subject to a court desegregation order must select pupils in accordance with that order. If the charter school reflects the racial and ethnic diversity of

the area, it may limit admission to a geographic area greater than average non-white population.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> For more information or further discussion see CRP Policy Brief, Nov. 2009,  
<http://www.civilrightsproject.ucla.edu/research/deseg/equity-overlooked-report-2009.pdf>