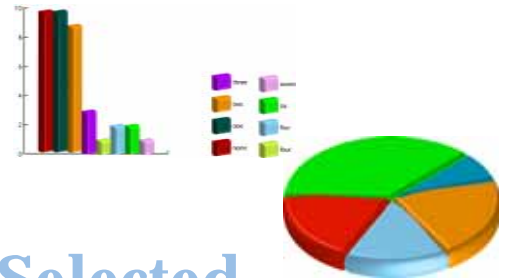


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What's Inside:



Students Have Been Selected for 2007-2008 academic year



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Students have been selected for 2007-2008 academic year

NCEF is pleased to announce the selection of following students for the year of 2007-2008 academic year:

Kathmandu

Ujeli Bhujel
Sumaiya Nepali
Ojima Rajthala
Rojina Rajthala
Ansu Shrestha
Kumar Tamang

Kavre

Santosh Bhujel
Subin Bogati
Ram Mrijar
Shradha Thapa
Shyam Thapa
Sunita Thapa

Nepagunj

Kalpana Acharya
Ganga Adhikari
Rabisha Banskota
Sushila Chaudhary
Pabitra Dhungana
Sujal Khanal
Milina Khatri
Puja Khatri
Sonal Khatri
Hina Manihar
Jyoti Sharma
Puja Singh
Dhanmaya Sunar
Thrisna Chand Thakuri

Nepalgunj (continued)

Shiva Thapa
Usha Thapa
Nisha Verma
Hastanath Yogi
Bishnukumari Chdi
Bina Gaire
Sharmila Khatri
Mana Kumari Masrangi
Kavita Nepali
Rita Nepali
Sushma Nepali
Tilak Rana
Tilishara Somai
Rekha Thadarai

Patan

Dinesh Acharya
Dinesh Basnet
Pramila Humagain
Pragya Pokharel
Kopila Karki
Lapsang Lama
Pradeep Lama
Kripa Pokharel
Sabina Sapkota
Laxmi Shrestha
Laxmi Sunuwar
Sharmila Tandukar

Rules and criteria for selection

The committee used the following criteria to determine applicants' eligibility:

- In rural areas, family income must be less than or equal to US \$20, 23, 26 and 29 per month for a family with 1, 2, 3, and more than 3 children respectively. In urban areas, family income must be less than or equal to US\$33, 37, 41 and 45 per month for a family with 1, 2, 3 and more than 3 children respectively.
- Parents must be willing and available to meet with our social workers at least once a month.
- Academic cost for the sponsored child should be no more than US \$100. Academic costs include admissions fee, monthly tuition, exam fee, book costs, and costs of supplies.
- The child is not a relative of any board members or persons in the selection committee.

Likewise, the following criteria were considered in prioritizing the selection of students:

- Applicant's family has a single parent.
- Applicant never attended a school in the past.
- Applicant is a girl.
- Applicant is from marginalized groups (untouchable/dalit caste or otherwise; not in the social mainstream).
- Applicant's father did not have formal education.
- Applicant's mother did not have formal education.

Statistics and numbers

Regions from which the students are selected

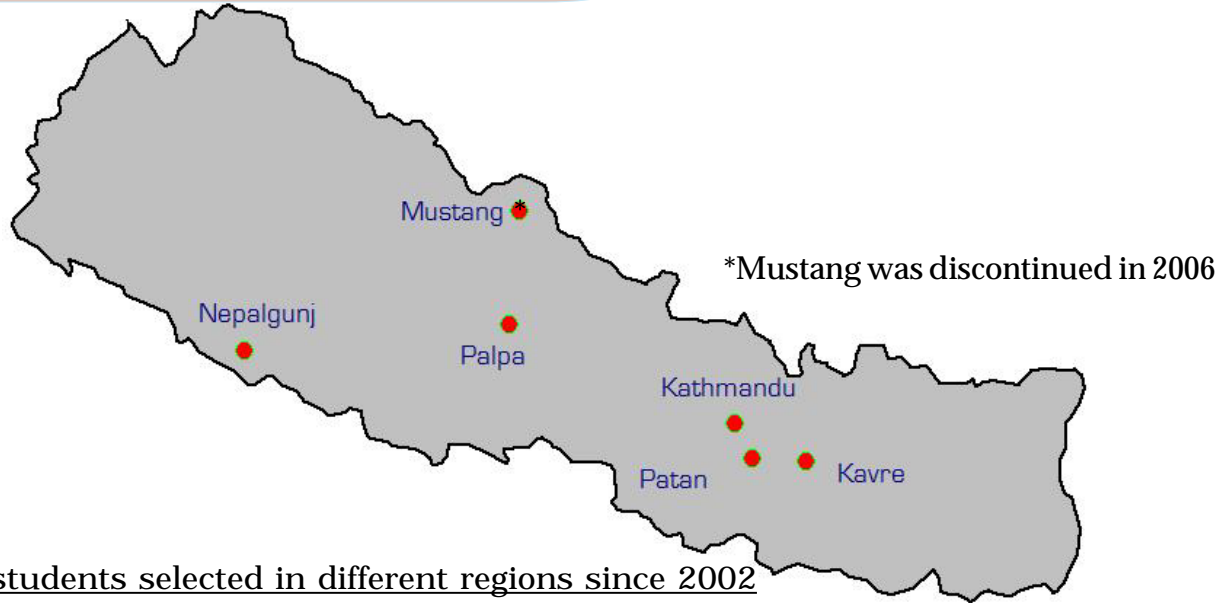


Figure1: Number of students selected in different regions since 2002

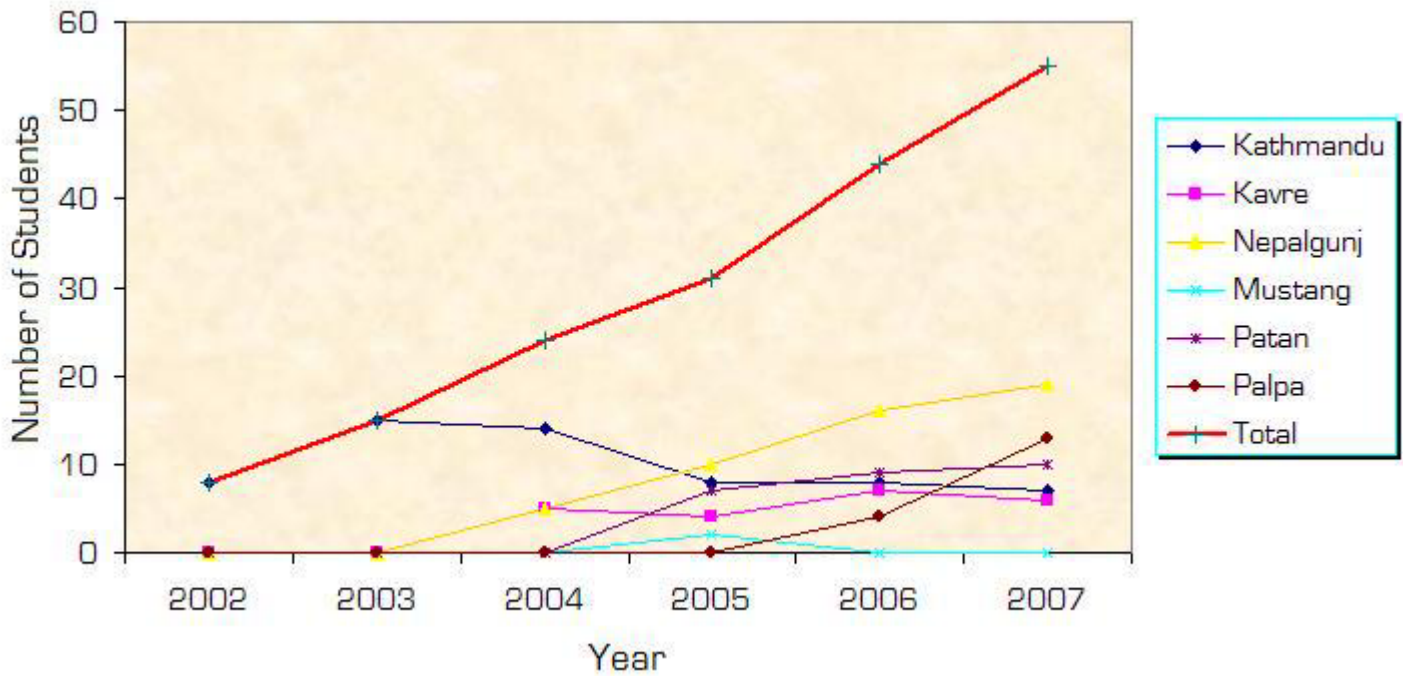
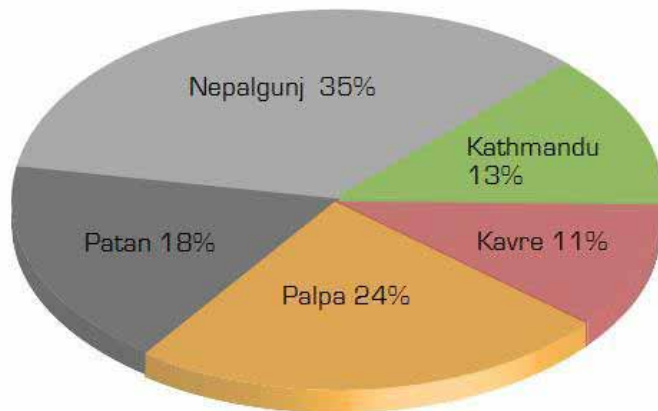


Figure2: Number of students selected in different regions for 2007-2008



General information about students

Figure3: Number of students studying in each grade

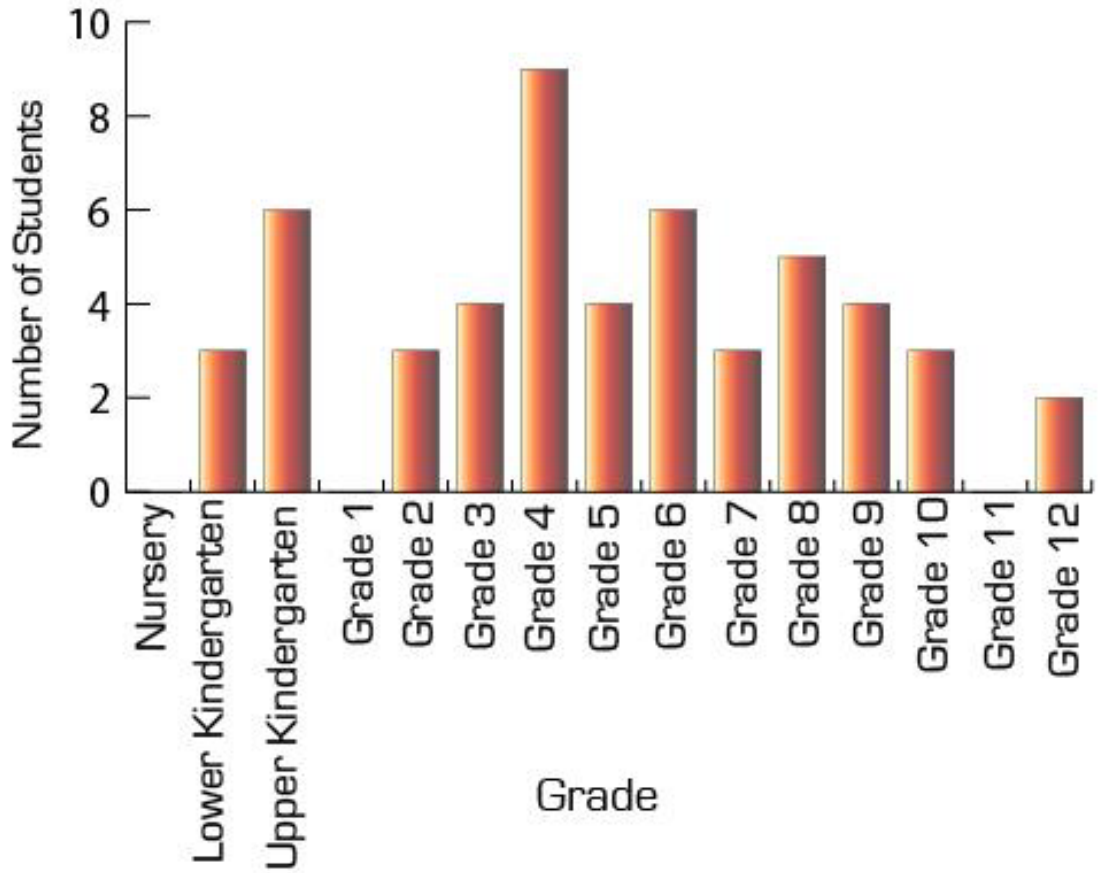
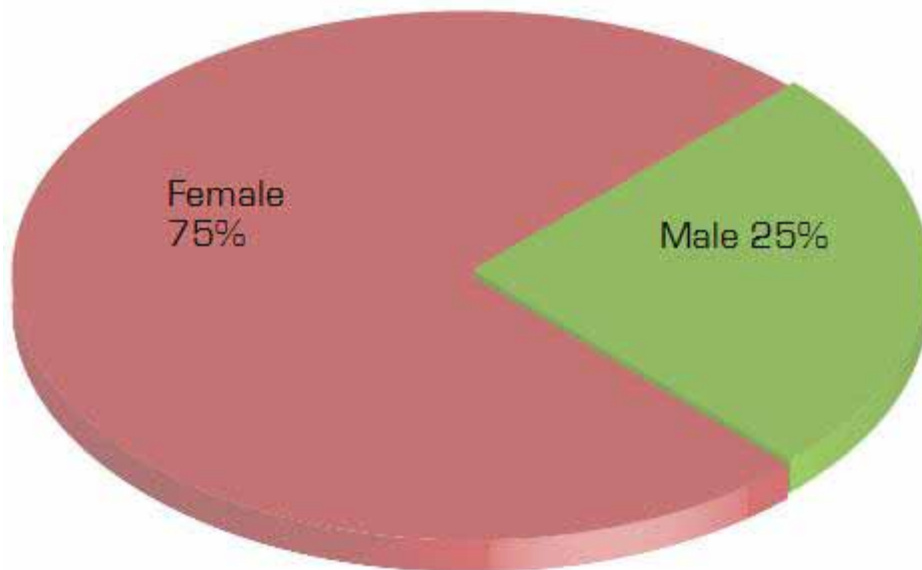


Figure4: Gender distribution



Information about students' families

Figure5: Information about parents

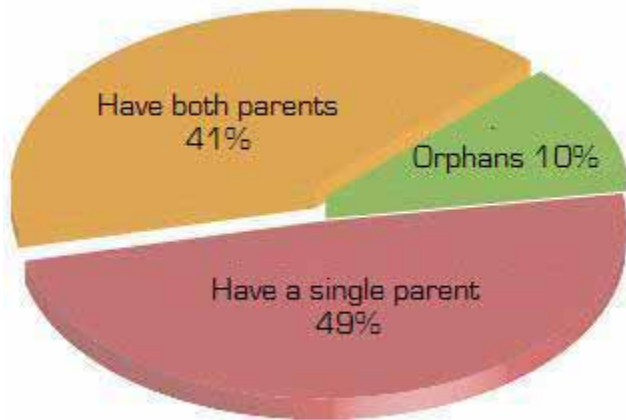


Figure6: Person(s) who support(s) students

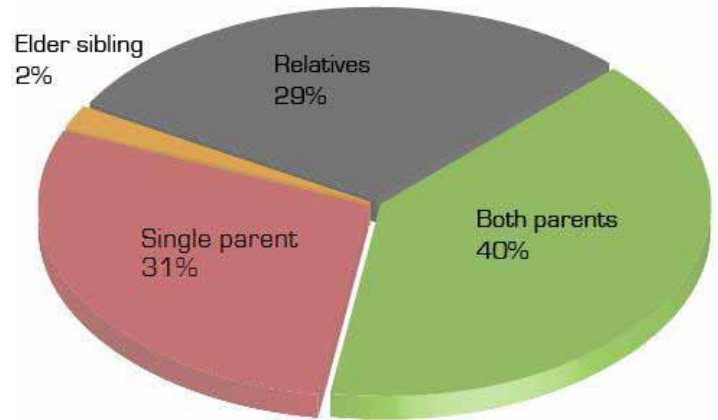


Figure7: Parents literacy: Comparison of Fathers and mothers' literacy levels

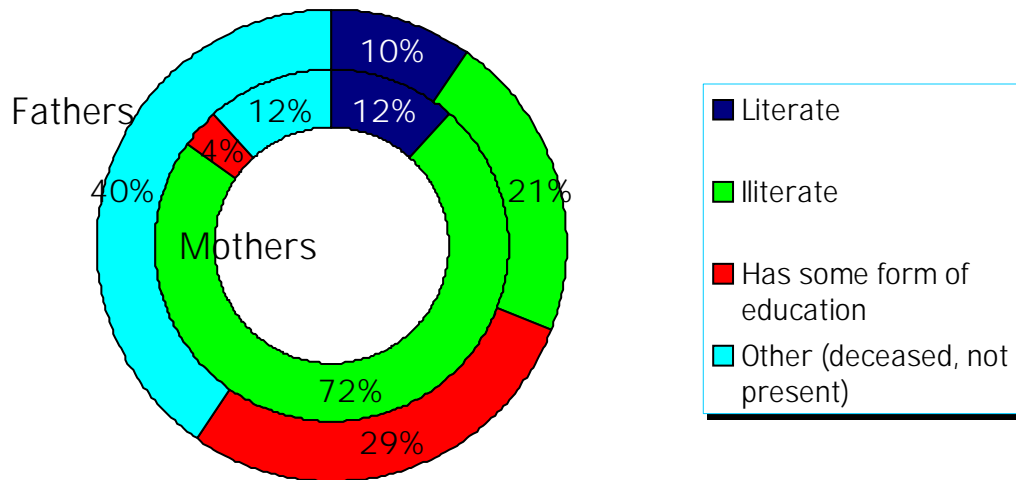
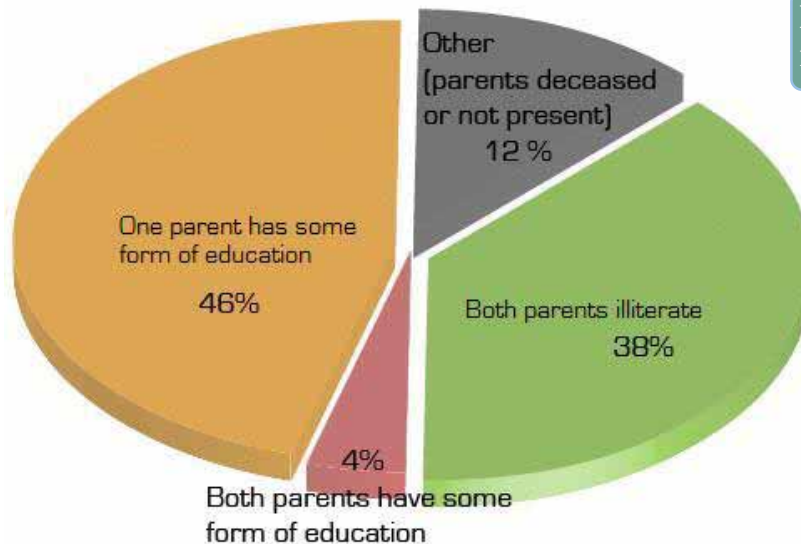


Figure8: Parents literacy:



Parents' literacy compared to the national literacy level:

total population: 48.6%
 male: 62.7%
 female: 34.9%
 (2001 census)

source: CIA The World Factbook
 (<https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/np.html>)

Occupation of parents

Figure9: Occupation of fathers

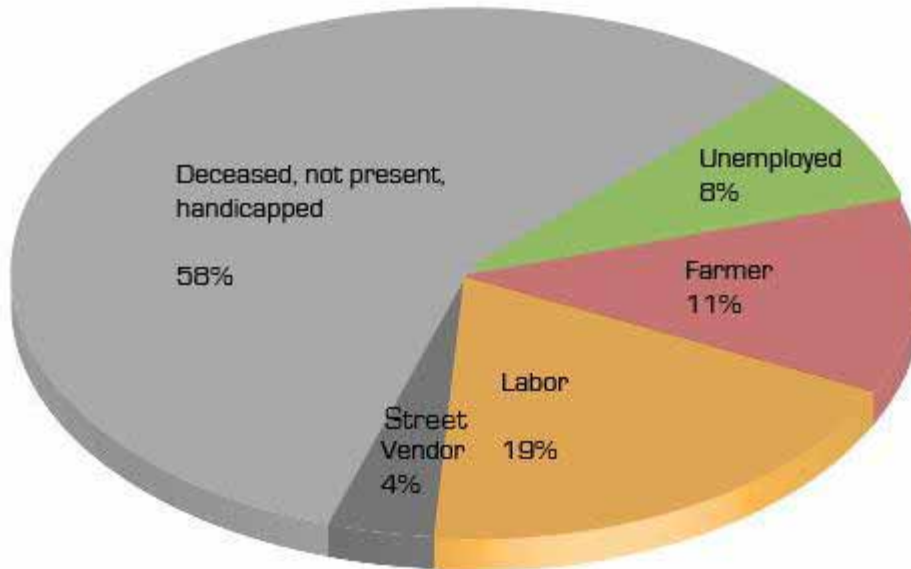
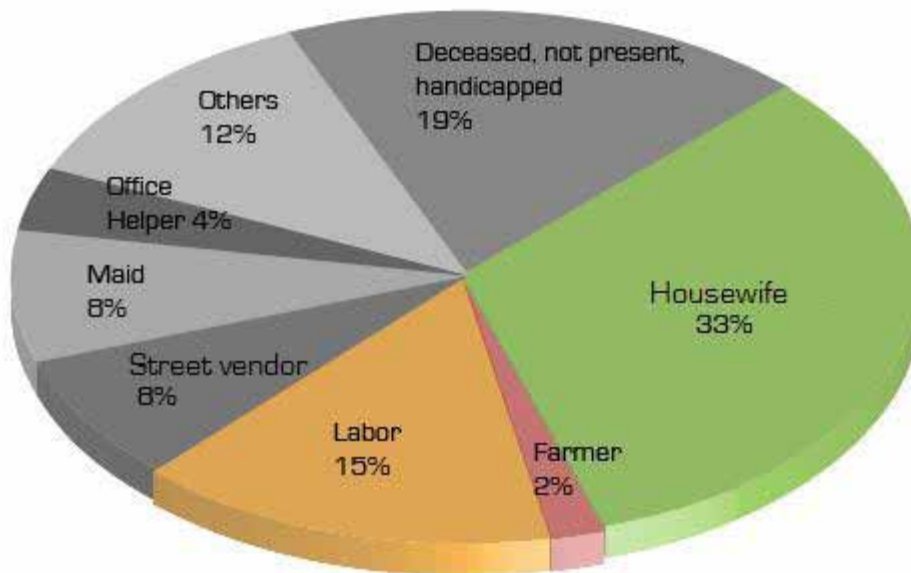


Figure10: Occupation of mothers



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