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## Housing Voucher Data for Louisiana

- Of Louisiana's 42,107 authorized vouchers, only 58 percent were used by families last year. (Some additional families received disaster voucher assistance.)
- 10,787 fewer families in Louisiana received assistance in 2007 than in 2004.
- This year, housing agencies in Louisiana have sufficient funds, including reserves, to assist 8,151 additional families, thereby using up to 75 percent of their authorized vouchers. To encourage agencies to make efficient use of these resources, agencies must be reassured that voucher renewal funding policy will be both stable and take into account the additional vouchers used by these families. Congress should enact the Section 8 Voucher Reform Act (H.R. 1851 and S. 2684) to provide confidence that renewal funding needs will be met in future years, thereby encouraging agencies to put as many of their vouchers to use as possible.

| Agency Name            | Code  | 2004                                       | 2005                                       | 2006                                       | 2007                                       |                                    | 2008  |  |  |  |
|------------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
|                        |       | % of Auth-<br>orized<br>Vouchers<br>in Use | % of Auth-<br>orized<br>Vouchers<br>in Use | % of Auth-<br>orized<br>Vouchers<br>in Use | % of Auth-<br>orized<br>Vouchers<br>in Use | Number<br>of<br>Vouchers<br>in Use | Auth-<br>orized<br>Vouchers<br>as of<br>January<br>2008 | Auth-<br>orized<br>Vouchers<br>Funded<br>under<br>Renewal<br>Formula | Additional<br>Auth.<br>Vouchers<br>That Could<br>be Funded<br>Using<br>Remaining<br>Reserves | % of Auth-<br>orized<br>Vouchers<br>Funded<br>(Counting<br>Reserves) |
| <b>Louisiana Total</b> |       | <b>92%</b>                                 | <b>82%</b>                                 | <b>56%</b>                                 | <b>58%</b>                                 | <b>23,388</b>                      | <b>42,107</b>   | <b>29,671</b>  | <b>1,868</b>   | <b>75%</b>   |
| Alexandria             | LA023 | 95%  | 78%  | 74%  | 70%  | 756                                | 1,073   | 795  | 278  | 100%   |
| Ascension Parish **    | LA009 | 98%  | 97%  | 85%  | 82%  | 75                                 | 96  | 90   | 0  | 94%  |
| Assumption Parish      | LA215 | 84%  | 79%  | 76%  | 74%  | 80                                 | 108   | 84   | 15   | 92%  |
| Avoyelles Parish       | LA132 | 99%  | 97%  | 88%  | 84%  | 101                                | 121   | 101  | 20   | 100%   |
| Baton Rouge **         | LA219 | 77%  | 82%  | 80%  | 90%  | 247                                | 280   | 229  | 1  | 82%  |
| Bienville Parish       | LA241 | 99%  | 89%  | 91%  | 90%  | 73                                 | 81  | 72   | 9  | 100%   |
| Bogalusa **            | LA024 | 94%  | 84%  | 71%  | 64%  | 63                                 | 98  | 97   | 0  | 99%  |
| Bossier Parish         | LA190 | 98%  | 100%                                       | 101%                                       | 99%  | 635                                | 647   | 596  | 51   | 100%   |
| Caddo Parish           | LA184 | 96%  | 91%  | 78%  | 73%  | 103                                | 141   | 101  | 31   | 94%  |
| Calcasieu              | LA172 | 95%  | 94%  | 77%  | 72%  | 386                                | 536   | 366  | 164  | 99%  |
| Caldwell Parish        | LA125 | 96%  | 90%  | 92%  | 94%  | 107                                | 114   | 114  | 0  | 100%   |
| Catahoula Parish       | LA222 | 98%  | 98%  | 89%  | 76%  | 50                                 | 66  | 57   | 9  | 100%   |
| Church Point **        | LA032 | 99%  | 98%  | 98%  | 98%  | 86                                 | 88  | 88   | 0  | 100%   |
| Claiborne Parish       | LA246 | 99%  | 100%                                       | 96%  | 87%  | 73                                 | 84  | 77   | 7  | 100%   |

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| Colfax                  | LA122 | 90%                             | 96%                             | 88%                             | 92%                             | 46                        | 50                                     | 39   | 2   | 82%   |
| Concordia Parish        | LA159 | 94%                             | 92%                             | 73%                             | 71%                             | 37                        | 53                                     | 41   | 12  | 100%  |
| Covington **            | LA238 | 101%                            | 89%                             | 72%                             | 62%                             | 68                        | 109                                    | 67   | 1   | 62%   |
| Crowley **              | LA029 | 94%                             | 91%                             | 88%                             | 91%                             | 334                       | 368                                    | 343  | 2   | 94%   |
| Delhi                   | LA114 | 90%                             | 80%                             | 65%                             | 78%                             | 31                        | 40                                     | 30   | 9   | 98%   |
| Denham Springs **       | LA101 | 97%                             | 93%                             | 85%                             | 74%                             | 93                        | 129                                    | 103  | 1   | 81%   |
| DeRidder                | LA086 | 97%                             | 97%                             | 100%                            | 261%                            | 47                        | 35                                     | 30   | 1   | 89%   |
| Desoto Parish           | LA230 | 97%                             | 92%                             | 87%                             | 89%                             | 189                       | 212                                    | 198  | 11  | 99%   |
| Donaldsonville          | LA202 | 95%                             | 97%                             | 88%                             | 91%                             | 87                        | 97                                     | 85   | 0   | 88%   |
| E. Baton Rouge Parish** | LA003 | 97%                             | 97%                             | 87%                             | 76%                             | 1,978                     | 2,828                                  | 2,411  | 11  | 86%   |
| East Carroll Parish     | LA195 | 99%                             | 100%                            | 99%                             | 99%                             | 140                       | 142                                    | 142  | 0   | 100%  |
| Evangeline Parish       | LA182 | 97%                             | 98%                             | 94%                             | 102%                            | 122                       | 120                                    | 120  | 0   | 100%  |
| Franklin Parish         | LA229 | 92%                             | 92%                             | 100%                            | 92%                             | 12                        | 13                                     | 11   | 2   | 100%  |
| Grambling               | LA097 | 77%                             | 81%                             | 75%                             | 68%                             | 102                       | 150                                    | 100  | 39  | 93%   |
| Grant Parish            | LA120 | 82%                             | 80%                             | 77%                             | 76%                             | 86                        | 113                                    | 92   | 21  | 100%  |
| Hammond                 | LA104 | 100%                            | 98%                             | 97%                             | 97%                             | 277                       | 286                                    | 274  | 12  | 100%  |
| Iberia Parish           | LA189 | 83%                             | 81%                             | 66%                             | 65%                             | 146                       | 226                                    | 166  | 33  | 88%   |
| Iberville Parish        | LA214 | 76%                             | 79%                             | 69%                             | 55%                             | 24                        | 45                                     | 25   | 18  | 96%   |
| Independence **         | LA099 | 96%                             | 95%                             | 84%                             | 91%                             | 50                        | 55                                     | 49   | 0   | 89%   |
| Jackson Parish          | LA248 | 94%                             | 94%                             | 100%                            | 94%                             | 17                        | 18                                     | 18   | 0   | 100%  |
| Jeanerette              | LA168 | 95%                             | 93%                             | 90%                             | 98%                             | 40                        | 41                                     | 41   | 0   | 100%  |
| Jefferson Davis         | LA188 | 98%                             | 98%                             | 97%                             | 97%                             | 125                       | 129                                    | 123  | 4   | 98%   |
| Jefferson Parish **     | LA013 | 96%                             | 78%                             | 14%                             | 42%                             | 1,203                     | 3,011                                  | 2,204  | 9   | 73%   |
| Kenner **               | LA012 | 96%                             | 84%                             | 53%                             | 60%                             | 342                       | 572                                    | 372  | 2   | 65%   |
| Kentwood **             | LA206 | 96%                             | 95%                             | 91%                             | 96%                             | 53                        | 55                                     | 53   | 0   | 96%   |
| Kinder **               | LA247 | 96%                             | 88%                             | 81%                             | 80%                             | 78                        | 97                                     | 88   | 1   | 92%   |
| Lafayette **            | LA005 | 97%                             | 98%                             | 94%                             | 90%                             | 1,494                     | 1,692                                  | 1,570  | 8   | 93%   |
| Lafourche Parish **     | LA253 | 68%                             | 60%                             | 48%                             | 49%                             | 133                       | 271                                    | 177  | 1   | 66%   |
| Lake Charles **         | LA004 | 94%                             | 87%                             | 32%                             | 54%                             | 836                       | 1,546                                  | 1,546  | 0   | 100%  |
| Leesville **            | LA111 | 86%                             | 82%                             | 95%                             | 80%                             | 45                        | 56                                     | 49   | 0   | 88%   |
| Lincoln Parish          | LA212 | 98%                             | 84%                             | 83%                             | 84%                             | 113                       | 135                                    | 115  | 20  | 100%  |
| Mamou **                | LA031 | 95%                             | 95%                             | 95%                             | 95%                             | 19                        | 20                                     | 20   | 0   | 100%  |
| Minden                  | LA037 | 95%                             | 96%                             | 94%                             | 83%                             | 114                       | 137                                    | 92   | 26  | 86%   |
| Monroe                  | LA006 | 98%                             | 95%                             | 96%                             | 96%                             | 1,423                     | 1,495                                  | 1,495  | 0   | 100%  |
| Morehouse Parish        | LA258 | 85%                             | 87%                             | 81%                             | 79%                             | 125                       | 158                                    | 132  | 21  | 97%   |
| Morgan City             | LA221 | 76%                             | 66%                             | 63%                             | 59%                             | 79                        | 134                                    | 81   | 44  | 93%   |
| Natchitoches            | LA115 | 94%                             | 87%                             | 82%                             | 83%                             | 374                       | 449                                    | 362  | 81  | 99%   |
| Natchitoches Parish     | LA166 | 98%                             | 99%                             | 89%                             | 86%                             | 287                       | 334                                    | 298  | 36  | 100%  |
| New Iberia **           | LA165 | 99%                             | 93%                             | 89%                             | 86%                             | 277                       | 322                                    | 300  | 2   | 94%   |
| New Orleans **          | LA001 | 82%                             | 59%                             | 4%                              | 12%                             | 1,320                     | 12,602                                 | 4,519  | 37  | 36%   |
| New Roads **            | LA205 | 98%                             | 93%                             | 83%                             | 86%                             | 36                        | 42                                     | 38   | 0   | 90%   |
| Newellton               | LA169 | 93%                             | 89%                             | 82%                             | 77%                             | 100                       | 131                                    | 119  | 12  | 100%  |
| Oakdale **              | LA033 | 93%                             | 93%                             | 92%                             | 93%                             | 111                       | 120                                    | 116  | 1   | 98%   |
| Oberlin **              | LA269 | 53%                             | 47%                             | 32%                             | 47%                             | 35                        | 75                                     | 28   | 0   | 37%   |
| Ouachita Parish         | LA171 | 100%                            | 96%                             | 96%                             | 98%                             | 507                       | 520                                    | 520  | 0   | 100%  |
| Pearl River **          | LA254 | 89%                             | 50%                             | 23%                             | 44%                             | 31                        | 70                                     | 30   | 0   | 43%   |

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| Pineville             | LA057 | 99%                             | 97%                             | 96%                             | 98%                             | 161                       | 165                                    | 157  | 8   | 100%  |
| Plaquemine            | LA179 | 96%                             | 92%                             | 85%                             | 85%                             | 115                       | 136                                    | 124  | 12  | 100%  |
| Ponchatoula **        | LA075 | 95%                             | 100%                            | 87%                             | 82%                             | 49                        | 60                                     | 51   | 0   | 85%   |
| Port Allen            | LA199 | 83%                             | 82%                             | 71%                             | 73%                             | 101                       | 139                                    | 102  | 19  | 87%   |
| Rapides Parish        | LA129 | 97%                             | 100%                            | 101%                            | 94%                             | 250                       | 267                                    | 250  | 17  | 100%  |
| Rayne **              | LA174 | 92%                             | 90%                             | 81%                             | 82%                             | 76                        | 93                                     | 79   | 0   | 85%   |
| Red River             | LA163 | 100%                            | 100%                            | 100%                            | 100%                            | 45                        | 45                                     | 45   | 0   | 100%  |
| Ruston                | LA232 | 96%                             | 95%                             | 97%                             | 91%                             | 239                       | 290                                    | 254  | 36  | 100%  |
| Sabine Parish **      | LA074 | 94%                             | 87%                             | 86%                             | 85%                             | 92                        | 108                                    | 99   | 1   | 93%   |
| Shreveport            | LA002 | 94%                             | 92%                             | 84%                             | 82%                             | 2,592                     | 3,174                                  | 2,850  | 324   | 100%  |
| Slidell **            | LA103 | 83%                             | 60%                             | 21%                             | 33%                             | 100                       | 304                                    | 234  | 1   | 77%   |
| St Martin Parish **   | LA178 | 89%                             | 78%                             | 72%                             | 74%                             | 252                       | 341                                    | 258  | 2   | 76%   |
| St. Bernard Parish    | LA187 | 95%                             | 60%                             | 0%                              | 12%                             | 33                        | 280                                    | 77   | 203   | 100%  |
| St. Charles Parish ** | LA094 | 98%                             | 90%                             | 77%                             | 77%                             | 236                       | 305                                    | 223  | 1   | 73%   |
| St. John the Baptist  | LA181 | 86%                             | 89%                             | 79%                             | 58%                             | 73                        | 149                                    | 71   | 5   | 51%   |
| St. Landry Parish **  | LA067 | 104%                            | 96%                             | 94%                             | 94%                             | 606                       | 646                                    | 638  | 3   | 99%   |
| St. Martinville       | LA173 | 100%                            | 100%                            | 96%                             | 96%                             | 48                        | 50                                     | 50   | 0   | 100%  |
| St. Mary Parish **    | LA220 | 99%                             | 97%                             | 96%                             | 95%                             | 190                       | 200                                    | 180  | 1   | 91%   |
| Sulphur **            | LA063 | 96%                             | 96%                             | 89%                             | 89%                             | 96                        | 108                                    | 89   | 1   | 83%   |
| Tallulah              | LA242 | 84%                             | 73%                             | 64%                             | 73%                             | 40                        | 55                                     | 45   | 9   | 98%   |
| Tangipahoa Parish **  | LA207 | 96%                             | 91%                             | 86%                             | 91%                             | 175                       | 200                                    | 186  | 1   | 94%   |
| Terrebonne Parish     | LA211 | 96%                             | 95%                             | 88%                             | 89%                             | 460                       | 525                                    | 491  | 34  | 100%  |
| Thibodaux **          | LA194 | 84%                             | 78%                             | 69%                             | 61%                             | 154                       | 251                                    | 203  | 1   | 81%   |
| Union Parish          | LA196 | 84%                             | 79%                             | 69%                             | 79%                             | 80                        | 101                                    | 83   | 14  | 96%   |
| Vernon Parish **      | LA128 | 100%                            | 98%                             | 97%                             | 86%                             | 57                        | 66                                     | 56   | 0   | 85%   |
| Ville Platte          | LA192 | 100%                            | 100%                            | 100%                            | 98%                             | 112                       | 115                                    | 108  | 7   | 100%  |
| Vinton **             | LA046 | 94%                             | 82%                             | 68%                             | 72%                             | 36                        | 50                                     | 34   | 0   | 68%   |
| W. Baton Rouge Parish | LA204 | 96%                             | 91%                             | 84%                             | 83%                             | 67                        | 82                                     | 76   | 6   | 100%  |
| Washington Parish     | LA217 | 99%                             | 100%                            | 97%                             | 91%                             | 141                       | 155                                    | 155  | 0   | 100%  |
| Webster Parish        | LA213 | 96%                             | 96%                             | 88%                             | 79%                             | 140                       | 177                                    | 155  | 22  | 100%  |
| West Carroll Parish   | LA233 | 94%                             | 88%                             | 89%                             | 92%                             | 60                        | 65                                     | 58   | 5   | 97%   |
| West Monroe           | LA186 | 95%                             | 91%                             | 89%                             | 85%                             | 395                       | 463                                    | 405  | 58  | 100%  |
| White Castle **       | LA266 | 100%                            | 93%                             | 86%                             | 86%                             | 12                        | 14                                     | 11   | 0   | 79%   |
| Winn Parish           | LA257 | 93%                             | 90%                             | 84%                             | 91%                             | 84                        | 92                                     | 75   | 12  | 95%   |

Note: Authorized voucher figures for each agency are based on data from HUD's Resident Characteristics Report. The percentage of authorized vouchers in use in each year was determined by analysis of voucher leasing data reported by housing agencies to HUD's Voucher Management System (VMS). The number of vouchers funded in 2008 under the renewal formula was calculated using actual renewal funding awards and an estimate of the additional funds assumed to be available from excess reserves (the "offset" amount); these estimates do not take into account amounts received under the \$50 million in supplemental adjustment funds available under the law. The number of additional authorized vouchers that could be funded using remaining reserves is based on estimates of each agency's fund balance at the end of 2007, excluding the 2008 offset, and per-voucher costs for 2008. Agencies marked with a double asterisk were potentially affected by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in 2005. Leasing data for these agencies may be unusually low due to reporting problems or an actual decline in leasing resulting from the dislocation of voucher holders. In addition, these agencies are assumed to have no voucher funding reserves, as many were granted temporary waivers allowing them to use voucher funds for other purposes (such as rehabilitation of damaged public housing).