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Dueling data on Latinos, education



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WalletHub, a personal-finance website that prides itself in marketing and demographic analyses, came out this week with another report slamming

Salinas. (The last time was in 2014.) WalletHub's "2016's Most & Least Educated Cities" places Salinas near the bottom in some categories and in the middle of others. Nothing education-related in Salinas rises to the top, according to WalletHub.

For the full report, please visit: <https://wallethub.com/edu/most-and-least-educated-cities/6656/>

The report is unfair at the onset, comparing the 150 largest metropolitan areas in the US - mixing urban with rural communities.

On a scale of 1 to 150, Salinas landed 141st in a total score using in nine WalletHub categories:

- » 147th - % of High-School Diploma Holders
- » 119th - % of Bachelor's Degree Holders
- » 132nd - % of Associate's Degree Holders or College-Experienced Adults
- » 102nd - % of Graduate or Professional Degree Holders
- » 110th - Public-School-System Ranking
- » 75th - Average Quality of Universities
- » 75th - Number of Enrolled Students in Top 200 Universities per Capita
- » 89th - Racial Gap in Educational Attainment (Blacks vs. Whites)

Ann Arbor, Mich., topped the list as the most educated US city; San Jose was third; San Francisco-Oakland was 7th. Below Salinas were Fresno, Modesto, Visalia and Bakersfield.

What these marketing hit pieces fail to provide are depth and recommendations to improve. This report qualifies itself in the category of "Racial Gap in Educational Attainment." "Blacks vs. Whites," it says.

How relevant is that metric in a city where seven in 10 citizens are Latino, particularly Mexican-American?

That's the kind of data that this city needs. The failure of marketing analyses to include the Latino factor, especially in California where Latinos are the majority demographic, cannot be ig-

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Fire exceeds 27,300 acres

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The Soberanes Fire has expanded to more than 27,300 acres, destroyed 34 homes and 10 outbuildings as of Thursday afternoon.

The fire, which began last Friday, remains at 10% containment. It is one of two wildfires raging in California that has been declared a state of emergency by Gov. Jerry Brown.

More than 3,500 personnel are working on containing the fire, and a Cal Fire

Serious Accident Investigation Team is investigating the death of a privately hired equipment bulldozer operator, identified as Robert Oliver Reagen III, 35, of Friant, who died during Tuesday night operations.

Firefighters continue to battle the fire, located on remote and rugged terrain with limited access, while contending with hot and dry summer weather.

"Crews are successfully building line; however, fire perimeter growth has resulted in the containment percentage re-

maintaining the same," according to Cal Fire.

All trails and roads within the Los Padres National Forest, as well as all California State Parks from Point Lobos State Natural Reserve through Julia Pfeiffer Burns State Park, are closed until further notice.

About 350 residents have been evacuated, and several road closures remain in effect at Palo Colorado Road at Highway 1, Robinson Canyon Road south of Penon

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ELECTION 2016

'RISE TOGETHER'



PAUL SANCYA/AP

Arguing that her "primary mission" as president will be "more good jobs with rising wages right here in the United States," Hillary Clinton also said the nation faces a "stark" choice between her and Donald Trump on national security.

Clinton touts national unity, blasts Trump's remarks

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PHILADELPHIA - Making history as the first female major party nominee for president, Hillary Clinton said Thursday that America faces "a moment of reckoning" on the economy, terrorism, national unity and the candidacy of Republican opponent Donald Trump.

"Powerful forces are threatening to pull us apart," Clinton said in her acceptance speech to a wildly cheering convention crowd, adding that "bonds of trust and respect are fraying," and all Americans "have to decide whether we're going to work together so we can all rise together."

Clinton peppered her remarks with criticism of Trump and defined her policy agenda largely in response to her Republican opponent.

While pledging to enact a "path to cit-

izenship" for migrants who are in the country illegally, Clinton attacked Trump's proposed wall along the U.S.-Mexico border. She promised to work with allies to combat terrorism and said Trump's criticism of existing military alliances would undermine global cooperation.

Clinton mocked Trump for saying in his convention speech last week that he "alone" can fix the nation's problem.

"Americans don't say, 'I alone can fix it,'" she said. "We say we'll fix it together."

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Citing recent terrorist attacks in the U.S. and abroad by "determined enemies that must be defeated," Clinton

again hit Trump by saying: "No wonder people are anxious and looking for reassurance - looking for steady leadership."

Playing off a slogan of Republican President Ronald Reagan, she criticized Trump's negative tone by saying he has turned "morning in America" into "midnight in America." She said the nation instead should be "clear-eyed" about its problems, and "we will rise to the challenge."

Trump did not stay idle as Clinton accepted her nomination Thursday. The Republican nominee campaigned in Iowa, where he again attacked "Crooked Hillary" as an unfit candidate who offers only a third term of the Obama administration.

In a written statement, the Republican candidate said Clinton and the Dem-

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Lake San Antonio Resort to reopen through Labor Day

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THE CALIFORNIAN

Campers can exhale. Lake San Antonio is reopening.

Back by popular demand from a passionate group of residents, the lake resort will open on weekends Aug. 5 through Sept. 11.

At the July 26 Monterey County Board of Supervisors meeting, the board voted for a camp opening that allows for camping, non-motorized boating and limited motorized boating.

"It's a trial run," said Supervi-

sor Simon Salinas, a big supporter of the lake, which is expected to fully open next April.

Lake San Antonio is one of two lake resorts operated by the Monterey County Parks Department, the other being Lake Nacimiento Resort and Marina in San Luis Obispo County's Santa Lucia Highlands.

San Antonio, about 88 miles south of Salinas, has been closed since July 2015 because of low water levels (it is currently at 7%) and staffing shortage, said

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