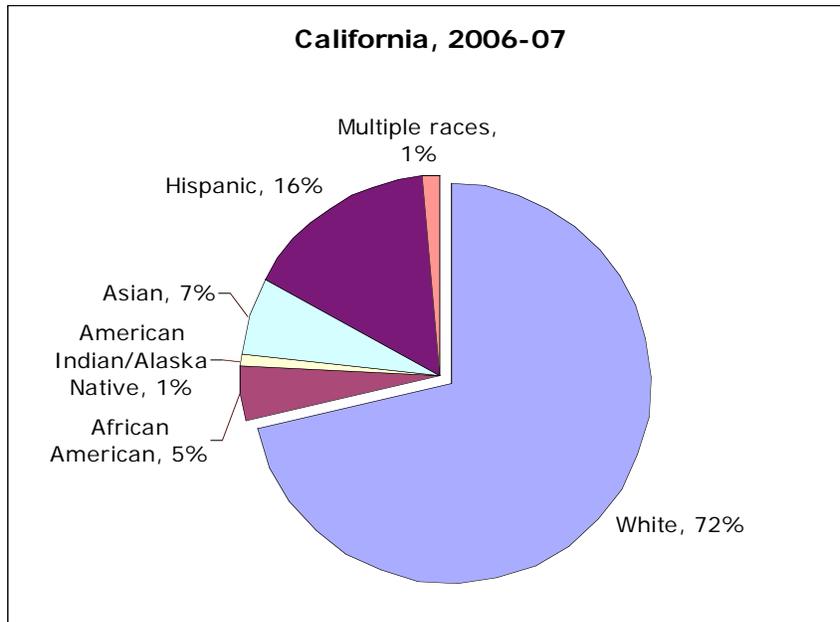




## Racial and Ethnic Distribution of Teachers

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In the 2006-07 school year, more than 3 million teachers taught across the country. 309,000 of those teachers taught in California's public schools and they accounted for nearly 10 percent of the total teaching workforce. The racial or ethnic distribution of California differed widely from the nation's teacher workforce.



The racial or ethnic distribution of the California's public school teacher workforce indicates that nearly three-fourth (72 percent) identified themselves as white or Caucasian; 16 percent Hispanic, 7 percent Asian, 5 percent African American and less than one percent American Indian. About 1 percent identified as belonging to more than one race.

The racial or ethnic distribution of national teacher workforce indicates that more than four-fifths (82 percent) identified themselves as white or Caucasian; 6 percent Hispanic, and 8 percent African American. Asians accounted for 2 percent and American Indian less than 1 percent. About 1 percent identified as belonging to more than one race.

The percentage of white or Caucasian teachers was 10 points higher than California whereas the percentage of Hispanic teachers was 10 points lower than California.

