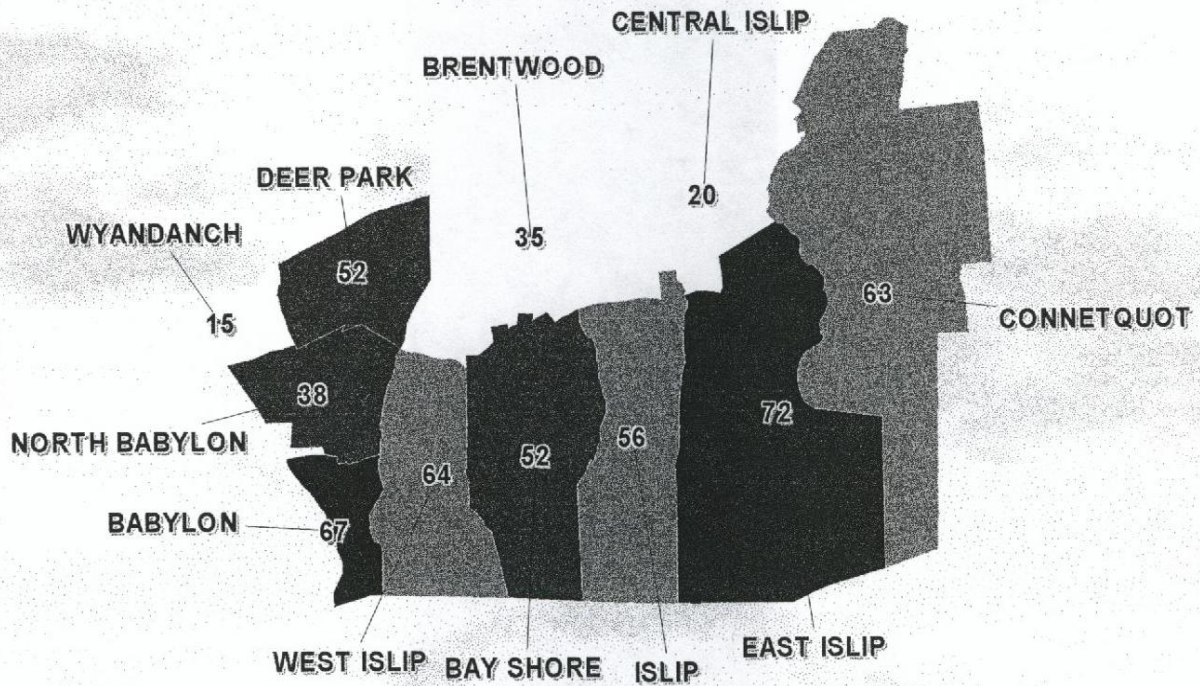


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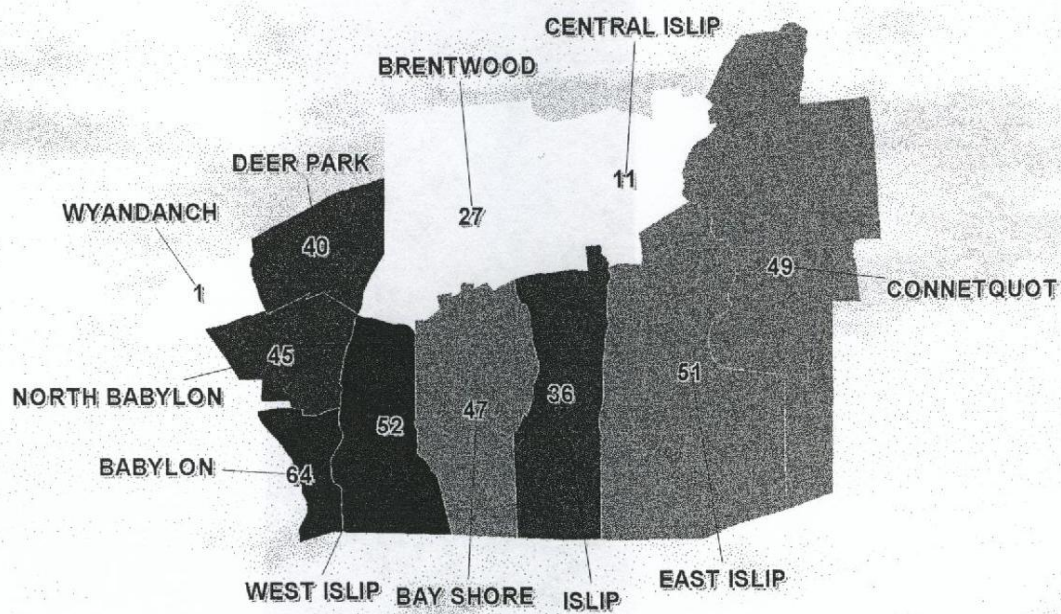
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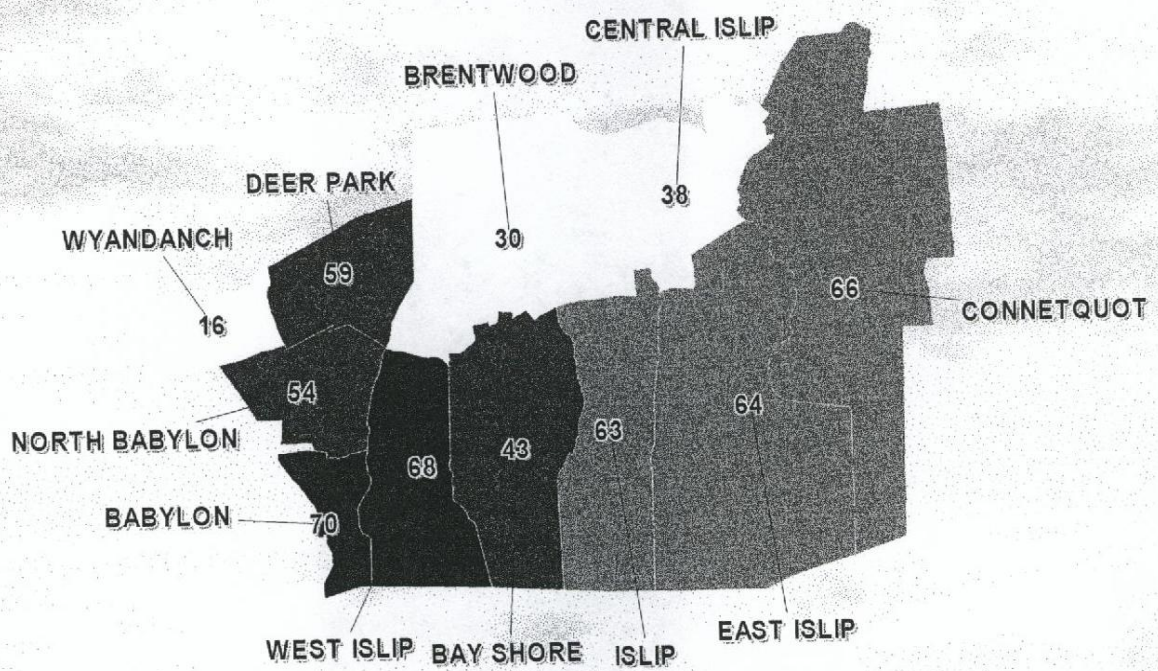
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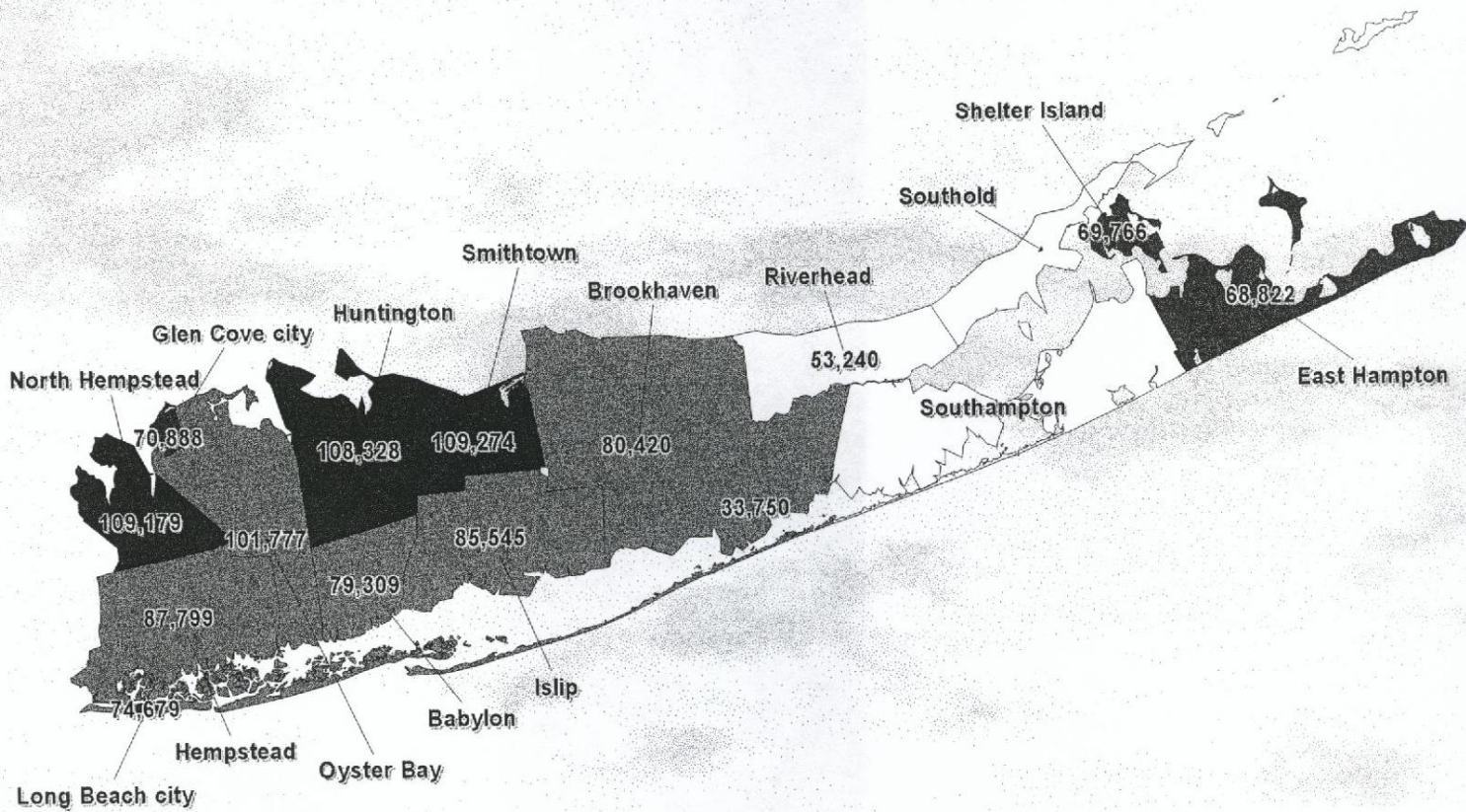
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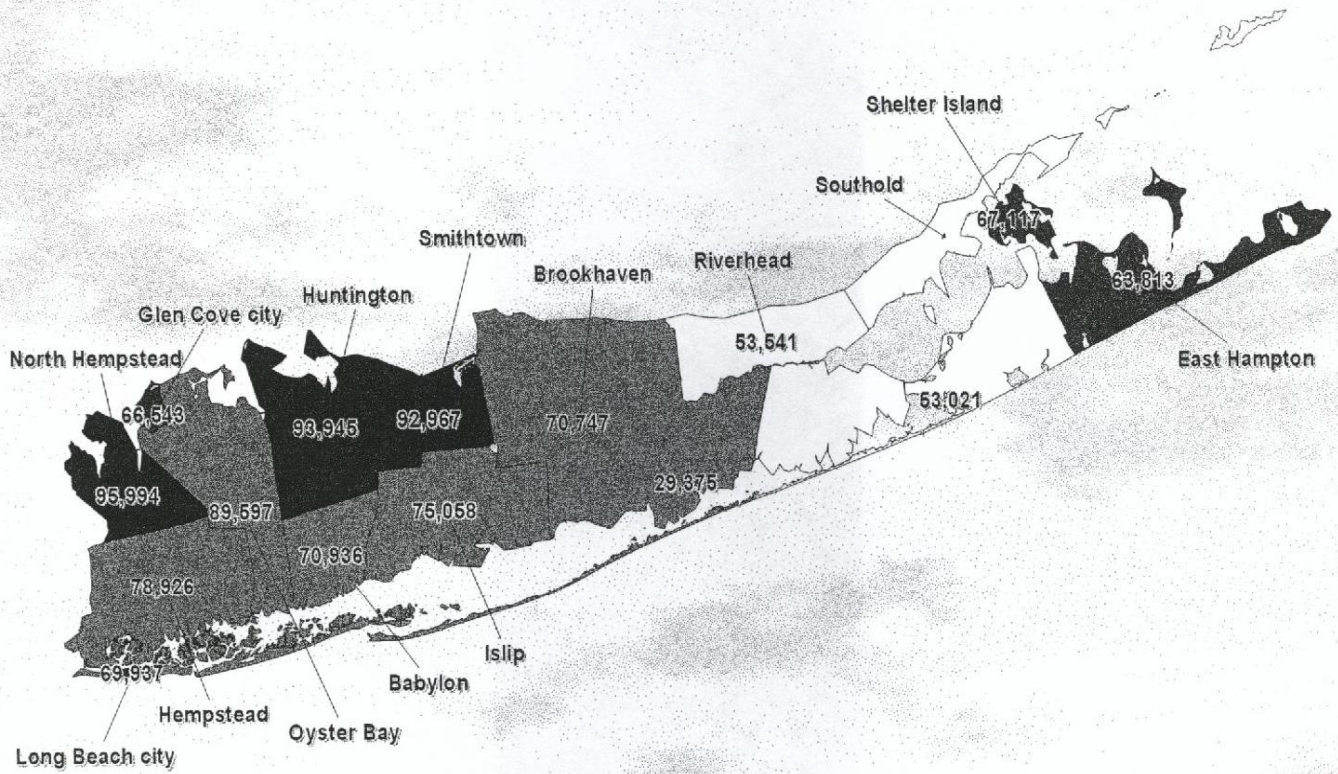
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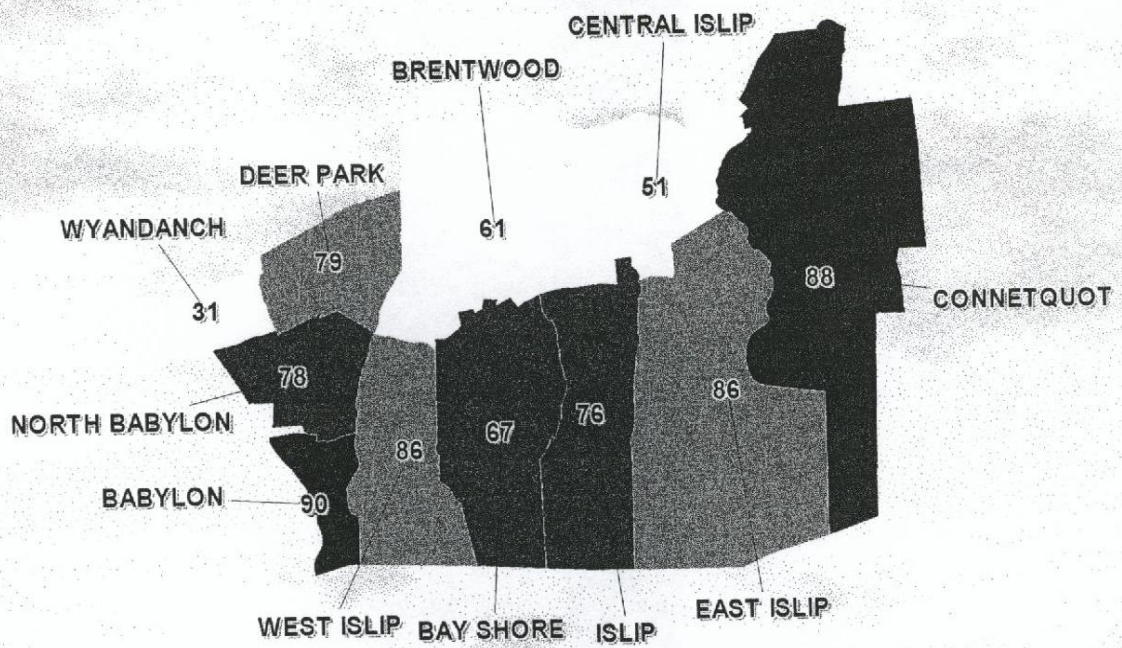
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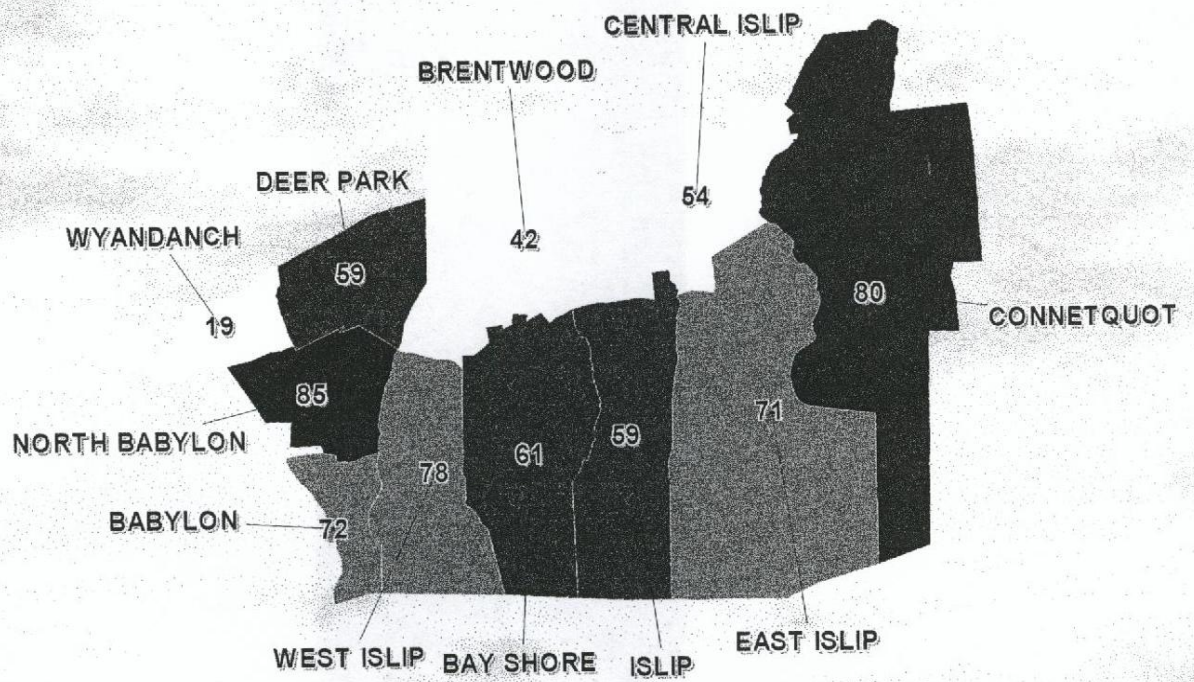
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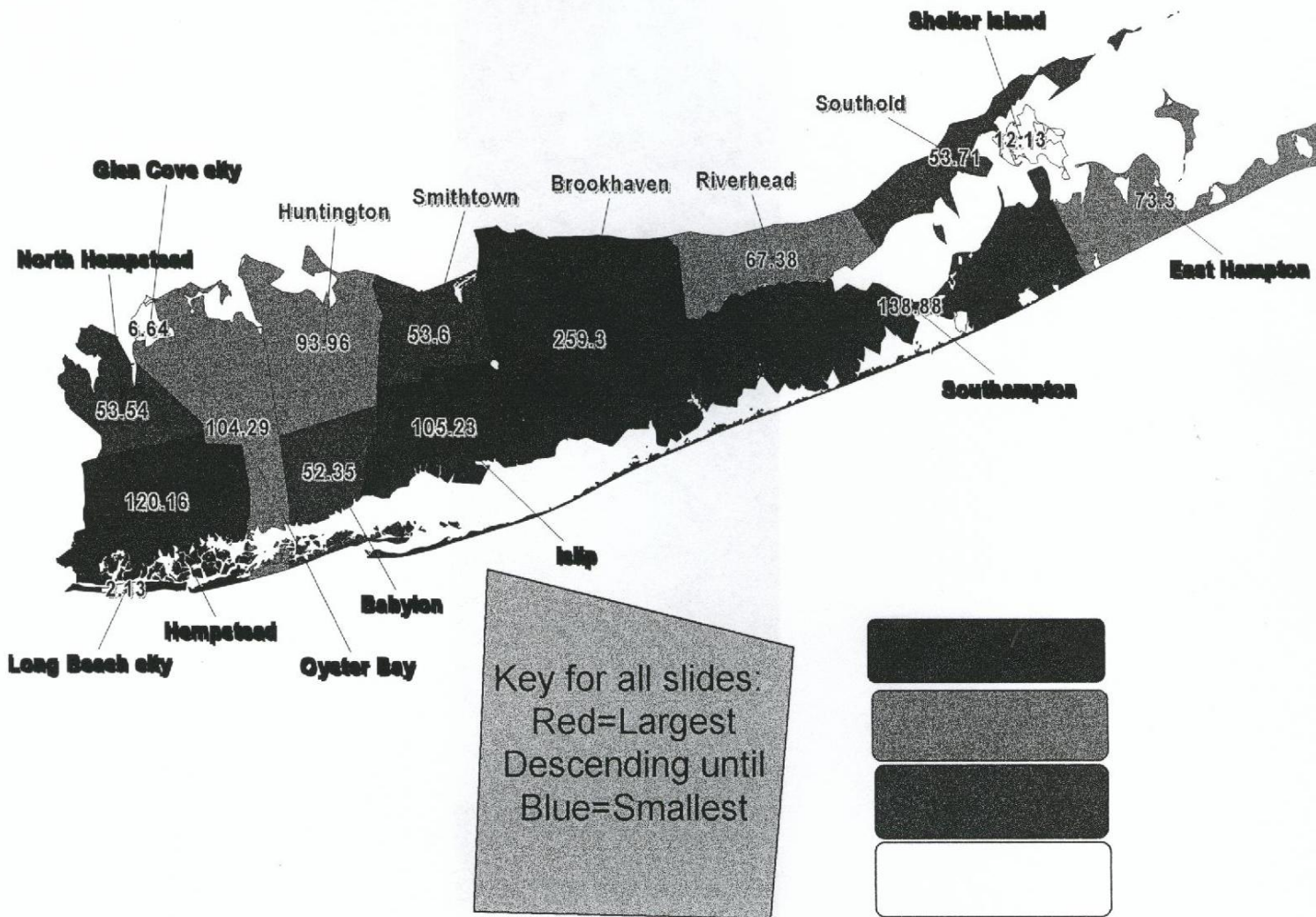
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U.S. History



Long Island Townships--Square Miles



I. Introduction

The Central Islip community is a diverse community. As the community continues to grow the school district continues to be challenged. The school district consists of students from approximately thirty-three different countries. With the diversity in its population the challenge for education tested on the state level is falling short.

Data published in the year 2000 shows the Central Islip School District considerably lower than six of its surrounding districts. The scores range from the second highest student population to the second lowest scores on the fourth grade English Language Arts test.

II. Background

Central Islip School District encompasses a three mile radius, approximately in the center of Long Island. CISD is located in the Town of Islip and the County of Suffolk. The district consists of the Hamlet of Central Islip, the village of Islandia, sections of Islip Terrace, Ronkonkoma, and Hauppauge. It is adjacent to the Long Island Expressway, Northern State, and Southern State Parkways.

Central Islip School District also includes:

- 500 acre campus of New York Institute of technology and Touro Law School
- a new shopping center
- a centralized county and federal court complex
- 120 acre research and development park

- two beautifully developed residential communities (College Woods and Park Row) feature 1,000 attractive and spacious homes
- also, the minor league baseball team Long Island Ducks

The schools include:

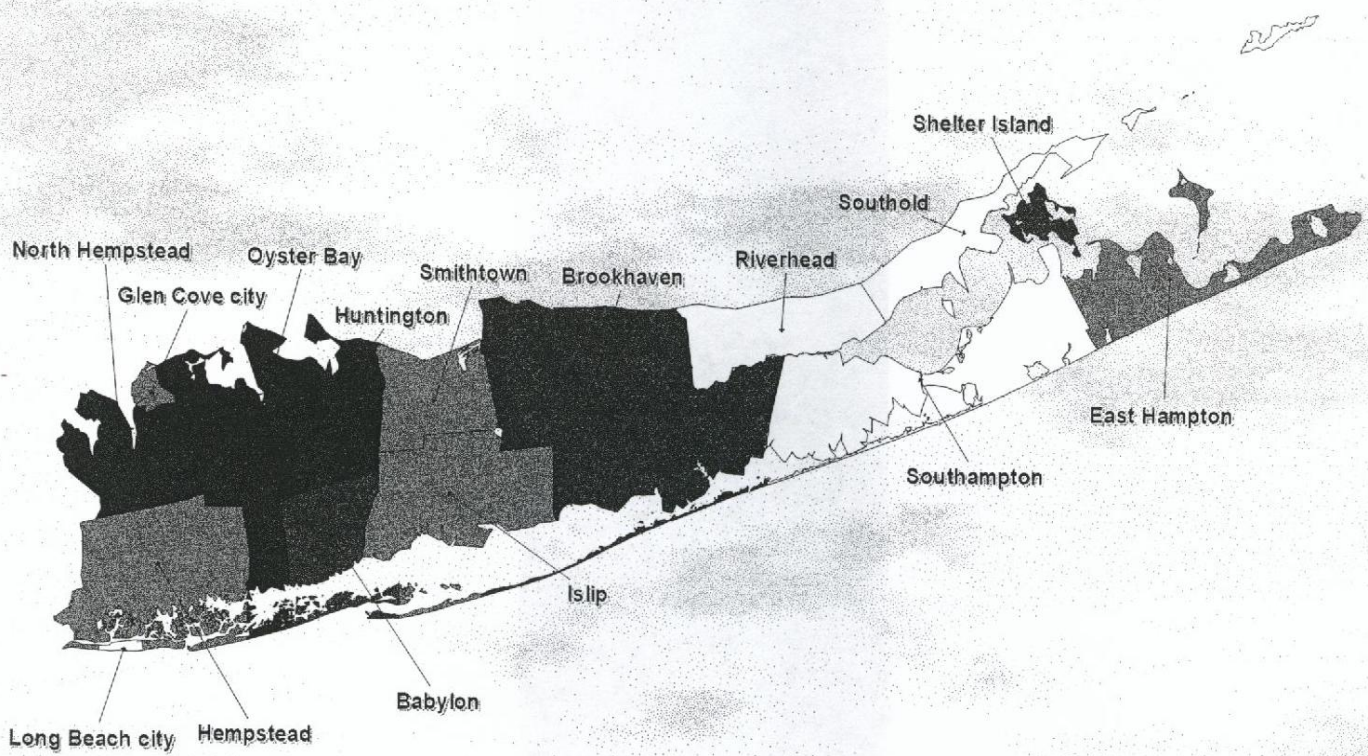
- Early Childhood Center –Pre K&K
- Five Elementary Schools grades 1-6
- Jr. High School grades 7 & 8
- High School grades 9 –12
- Alternative High School 9 –12

The Mission of the Central Islip Public Schools is to enable all its students to fulfill their potential and become responsible, contributing adults able to thrive in a culturally diverse, changing world. In partnership with the entire community, we will provide a quality educational experience that offers equitable learning opportunities in a safe environment. We will link home, school, and community to ensure a positive, supportive education that fosters student excellence and success.

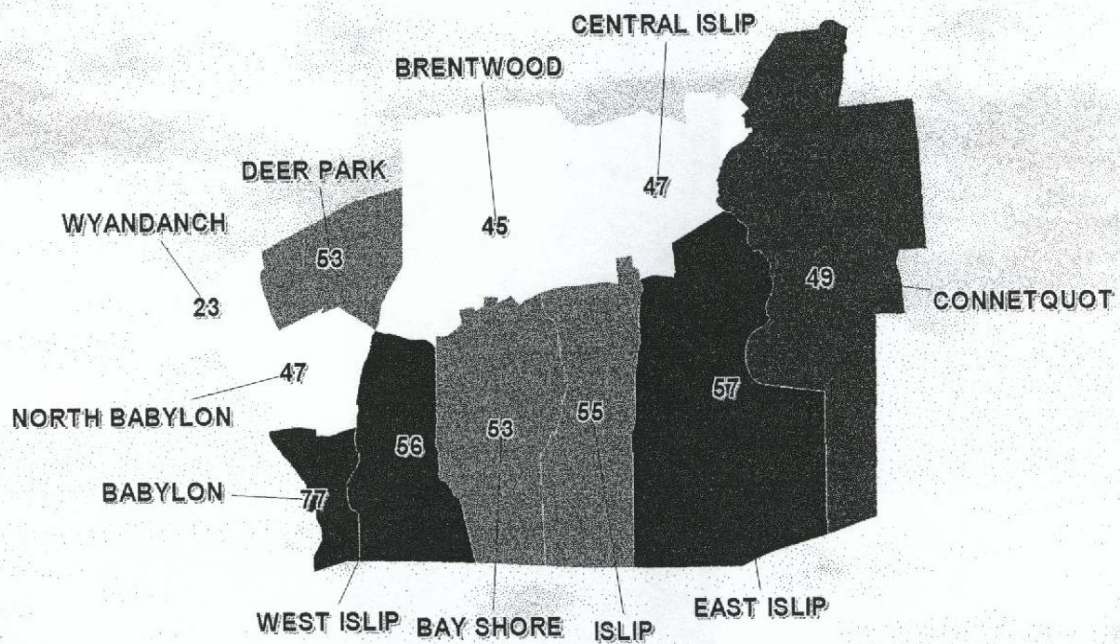
III. Method

Using Long Island Suffolk School Data (2000) in combination with the software program MapInfo information was compiled to compare Central Islip School district with six surrounding districts. Five of the six districts physically touch the CISD excluding Bayshore. Figure 1

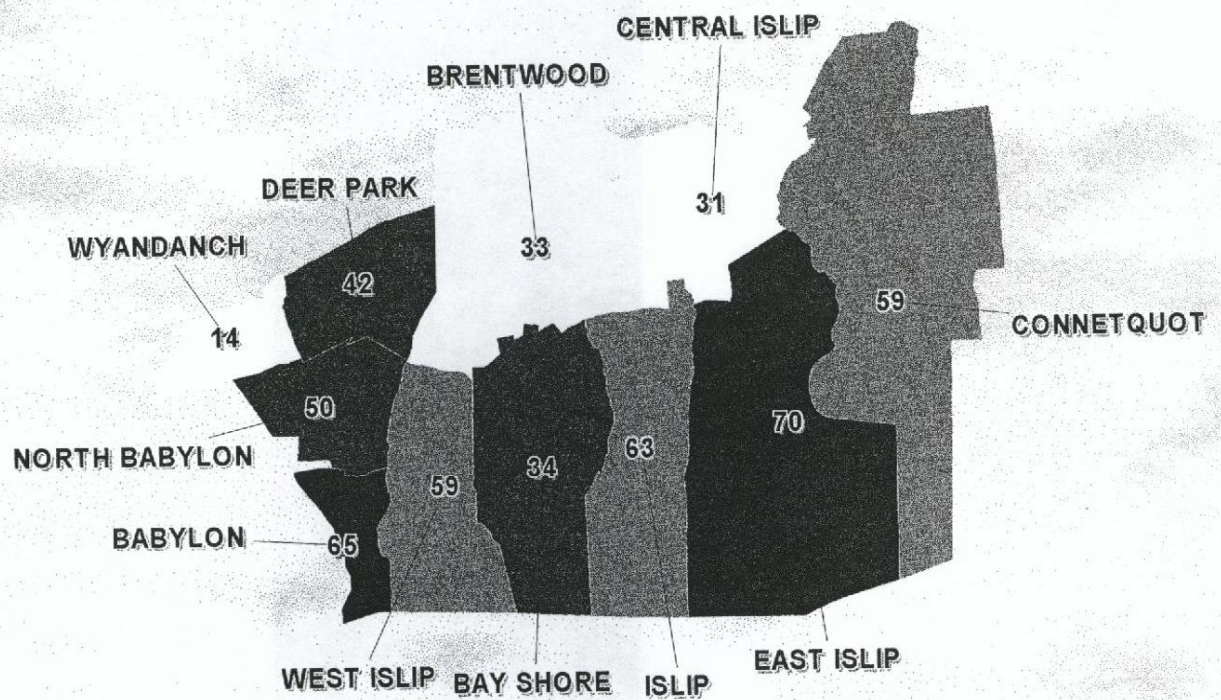
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Percent of Students accepted into a 4yr College



Percent of Students With Earned Regents Diploma



Percent of Special Education Students who Graduated

