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IELTS Writing Task 1: Overview examples

Expenditure by local authorities in Someland

1980   1990

2000

- Higher Education
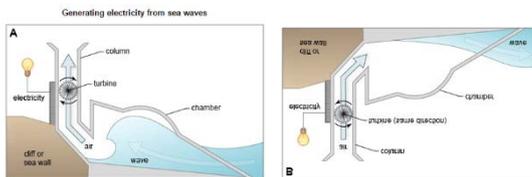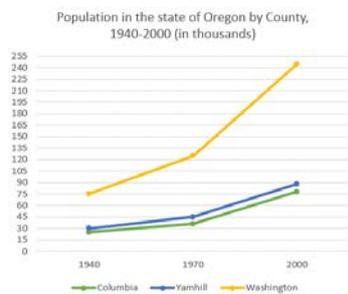- K-12 Education
- Transportation
- Health and human resources
- Environmental services
- Other

➲ The three pie charts below show the changes in annual spending by local authorities in Someland in 1980, 1990 and 2000. Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Overall, higher education constituted the largest cost to local authorities, and while spending increased for transportation and environmental services, there were corresponding drops in expenditure on health and human resources and K–12 education.

Generating electricity from sea waves

➲ The diagrams show a structure that is used to generate electricity from wave power.
Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.
In conclusion, we can see that this structure is useful as electricity is generated in both phases: entering and retreating of water.
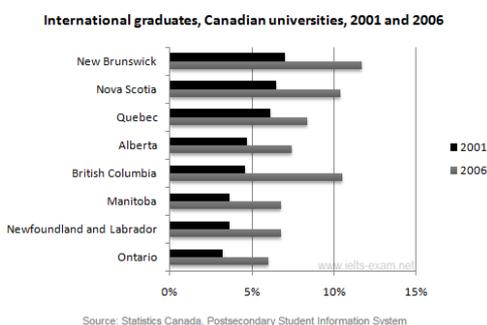

Population in the state of Oregon by County, 1940-2000 (in thousands)

Columbia — Yamhill — Washington

➲ The graph below shows the population change between 1940 and 2000 in three different counties in the U.S. state of Oregon. Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Although Washington's increase in population between 1940 and 1970 was large, its increase in the following thirty years was even sharper, rising from about 125,000 in 1970 to more than 240,000 in 2000.

- Car
- LRT (Light Rail Transit)
- Bus
- Taxi

People's reasons for using the car in city

Commute to work	55%
Shopping	15%
Leisure activities	15%
Taking children to school	40%
Business	45%

➲ The diagrams below give information on transport and car use in Edmonton.
Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant

Overall, people in Edmonton make good use of alternative methods of transport but there is a heavy dependence on cars for work.

International graduates, Canadian universities, 2001 and 2006

New Brunswick
Nova Scotia
Quebec
Alberta
British Columbia
Manitoba
Newfoundland and Labrador
Ontario

- 2001
- 2006

Source: Statistics Canada, Postsecondary Student Information System

➲ The chart below shows the percentage change in the share of international students among university graduates in different Canadian provinces between 2001 and 2006. Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant

Over this five-year period, changes in the proportion of international graduates have been very uneven across the provinces of Canada. However, New Brunswick remained the province with the highest percentage overall.