



# The New Economic Reality: Higher Education Attainment

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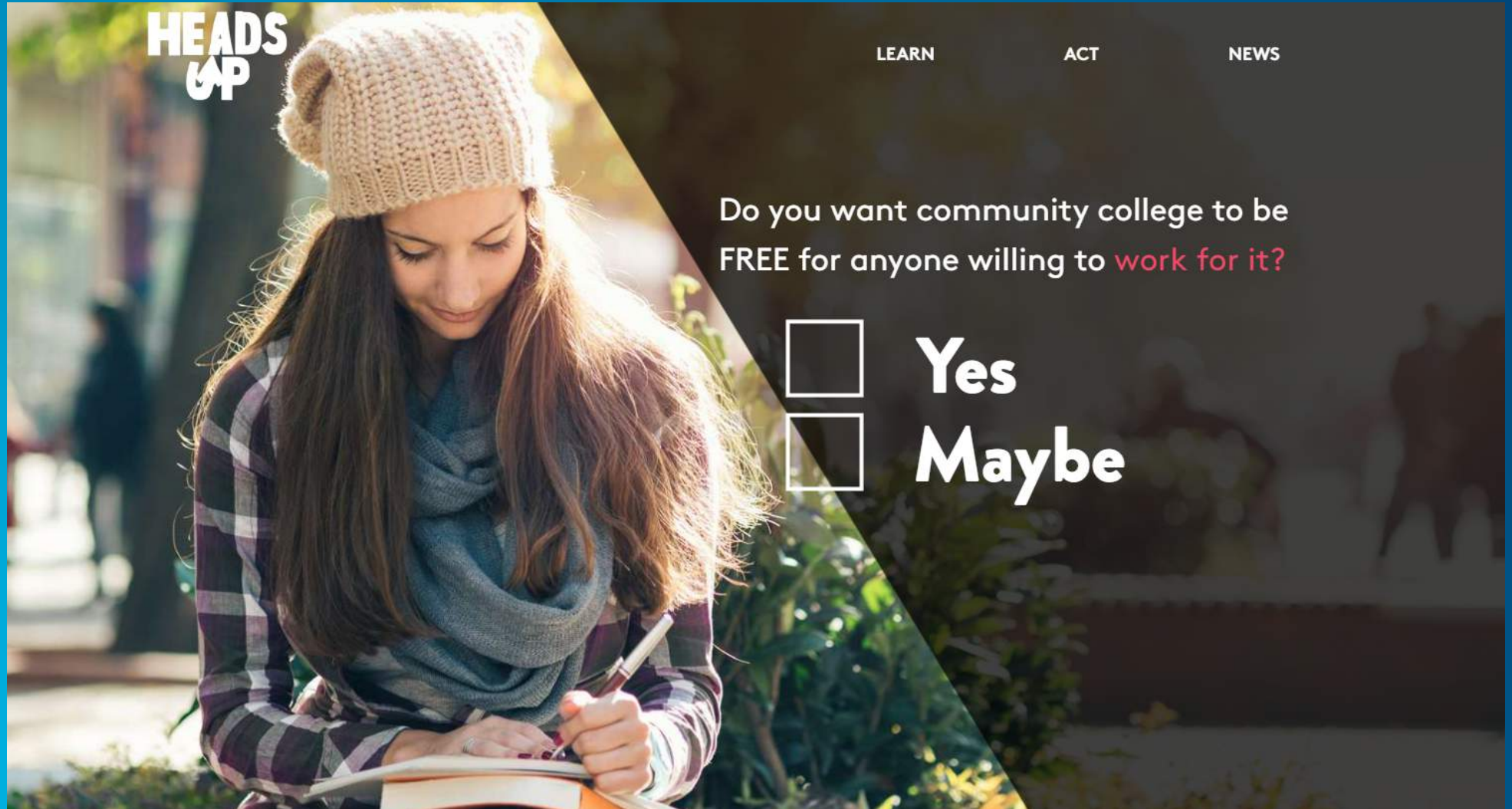
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# College Promise



<http://headsupamerica.us/>



• Free with No Degree is Not Free....

Neither is Access without Success.

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## Key Policy Issues - *Public Higher Education*

- Address State Economic Goals – attracting business, developing workforce
- Educational Attainment, credential/degree – Policies and Goals for global Competitiveness;
- Financial Challenges – State Appropriations, Tuition Policy, Student Aid, HEA Reauthorization, Capital Outlay, Deferred Maintenance
- State Higher Education Appropriations Tied to Outcomes and or Quality (Performance Based Funding) – Assess and Report completion and success after graduation
- Career preparation now outpaces academics, social environment, and affordability as the top driver of college enrollment
- Retaining current students tops all other revenue producing strategies at 92%, beating out increasing the endowment (62%), developing and expanding online programming (58%), and investing more in fundraising (53%)\*
- Different Business Model - More than 60% of degree-granting institutions are offering online programs

# Challenges

- **Articulate the value of a degree**
- **Student persistence and completion**
- **Constant pressure on educational quality**
- **Keep College cost in perspective**
- **Financial literacy and Student Debt**

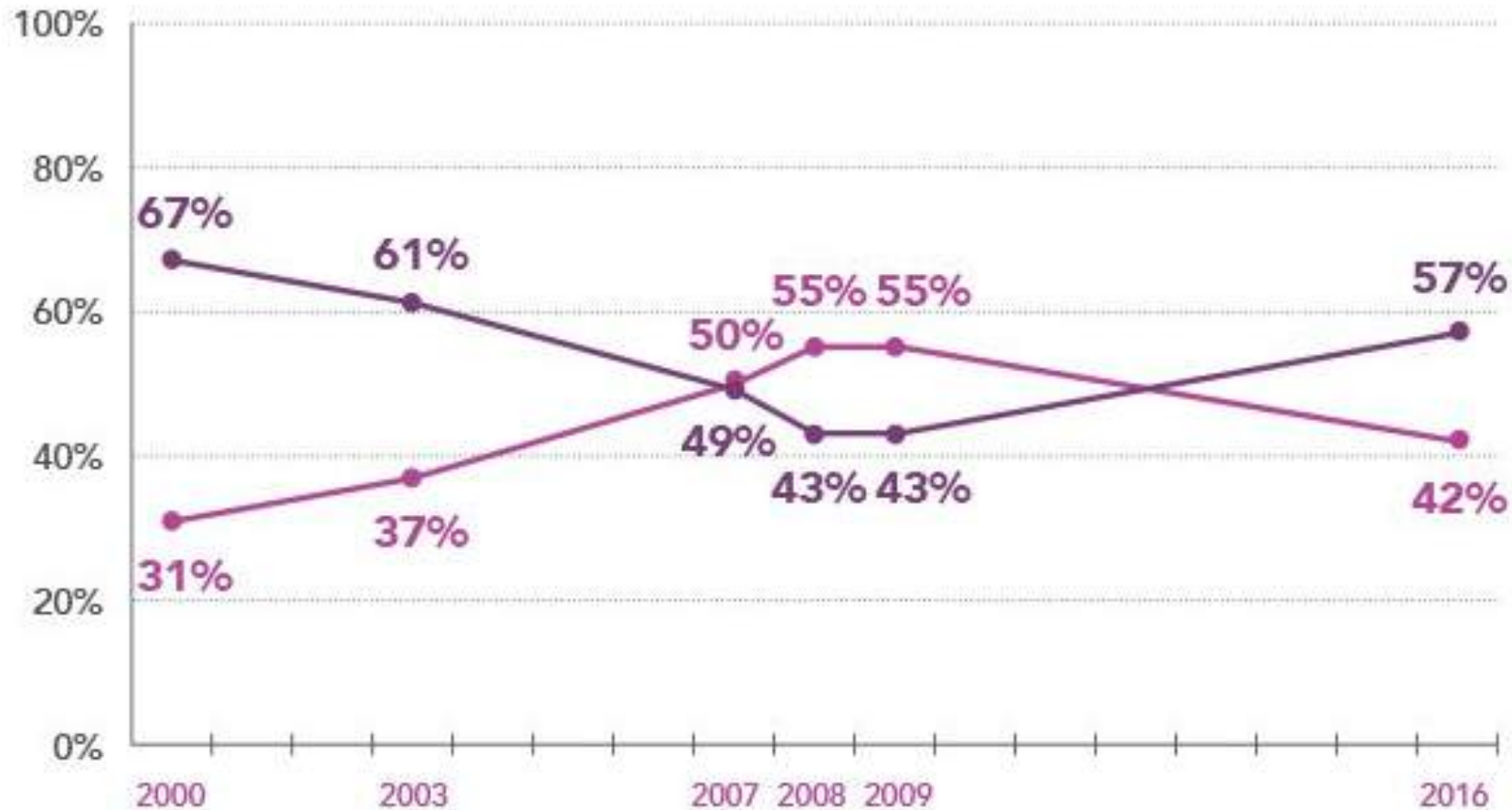


## Americans increasingly uncertain about the necessity of college.

Percent who say that:

— There are many ways to succeed in today's world without a college degree

— College education is necessary



2016 base: All respondents, July survey, N=1,006.

Note: Percentages may not add up to 100 percent. Chart does not include the small number of respondents who replied with "Don't know" or refused the question.

Source: Public Agenda, 2016. [www.publicagenda.org/pages/public-opinion-higher-education-2016](http://www.publicagenda.org/pages/public-opinion-higher-education-2016)

Source: Public Agenda  
2016



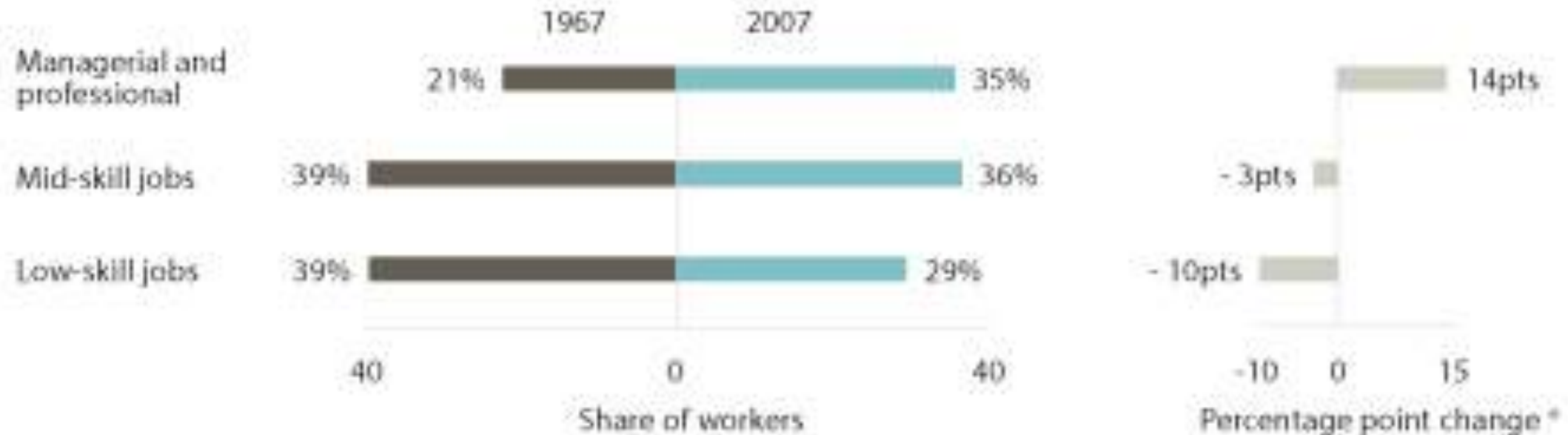
**Bloomberg**

# **The Value of a College Degree is More Obvious Than Ever**

**The fastest-growing sectors of the economy are all seeking college-educated workers**

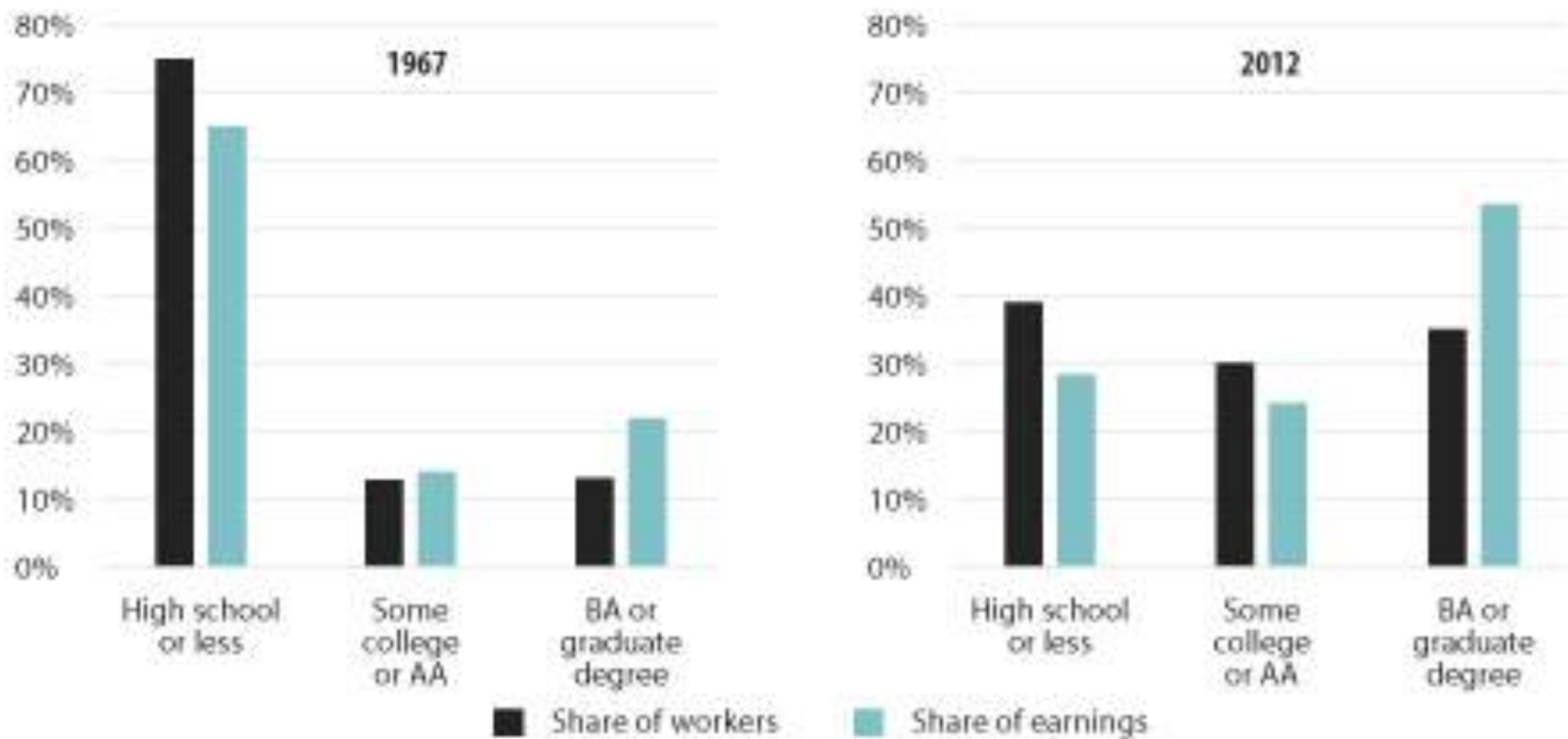
# Low Skill Jobs Are Declining Dramatically

**FIGURE 4.** High-skill jobs are increasing, middle-skill jobs are changing, and low-skill jobs are declining dramatically.



Source: Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce analysis of data from the U.S. Census Bureau, 1967-2007. \* Values may not sum to total due to rounding.

**FIGURE 2.** By 2012, workers with a Bachelor's degree or better accounted for 34 percent of workers and 53 percent of all earnings.

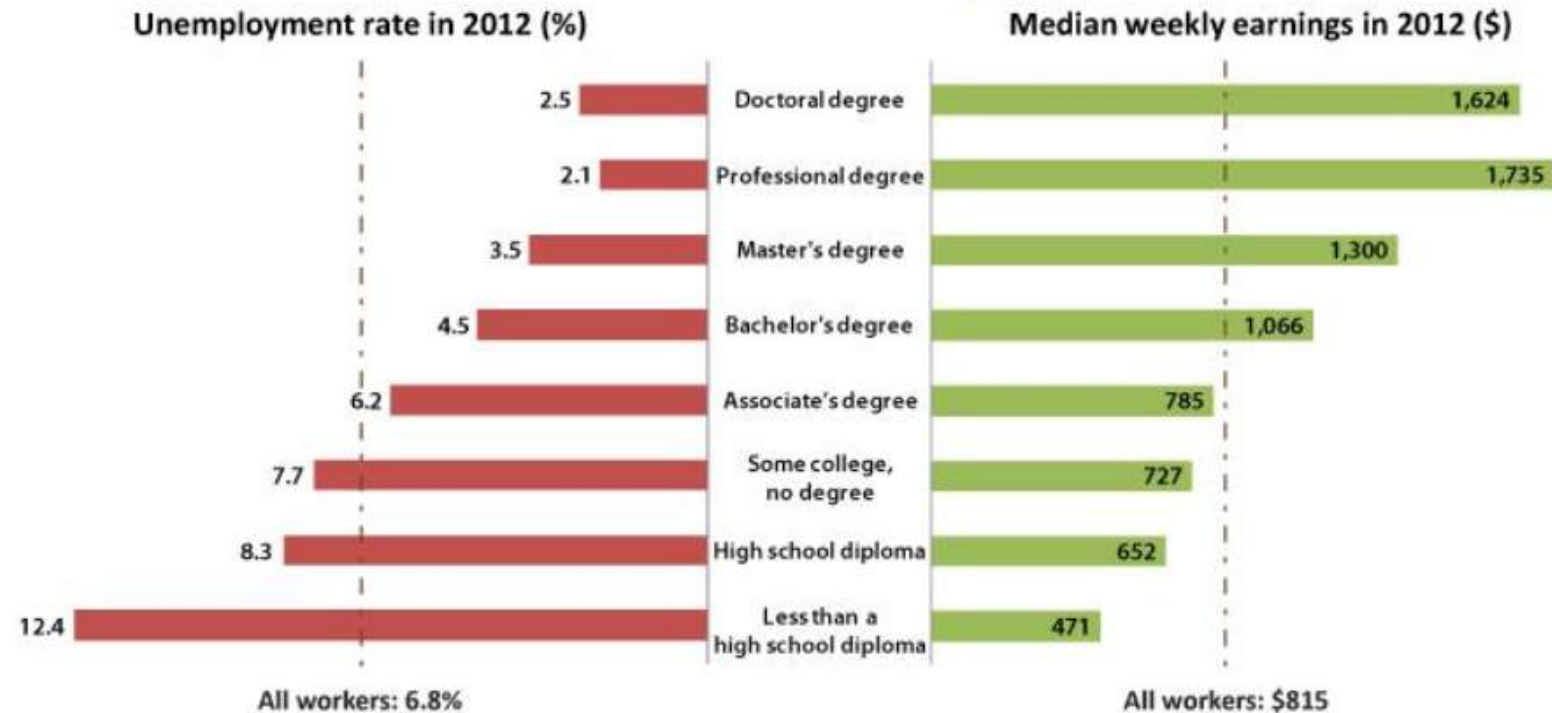


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# Postsecondary Education More Important than Ever!

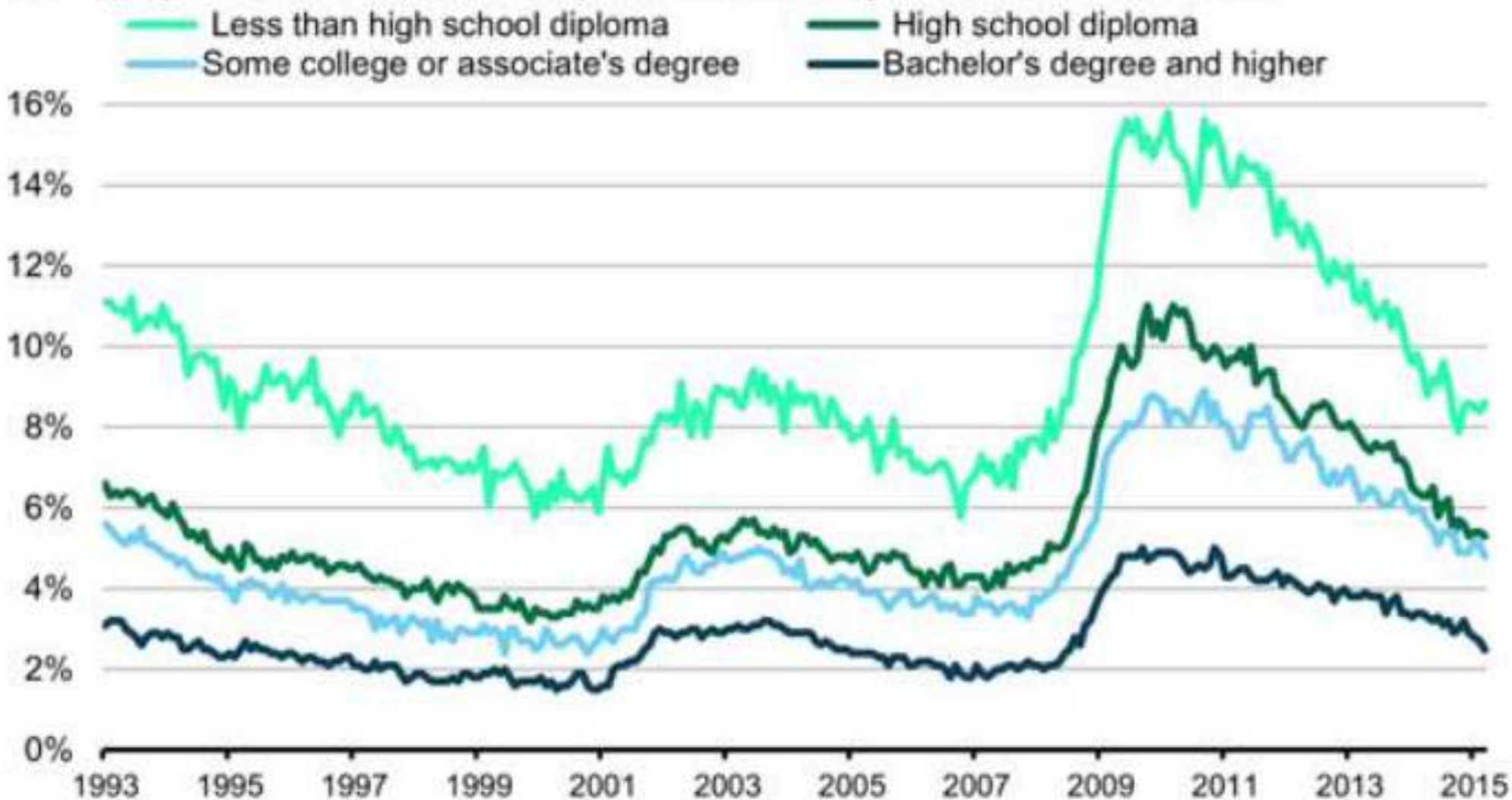
## Education Pays



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey

# Help Wanted

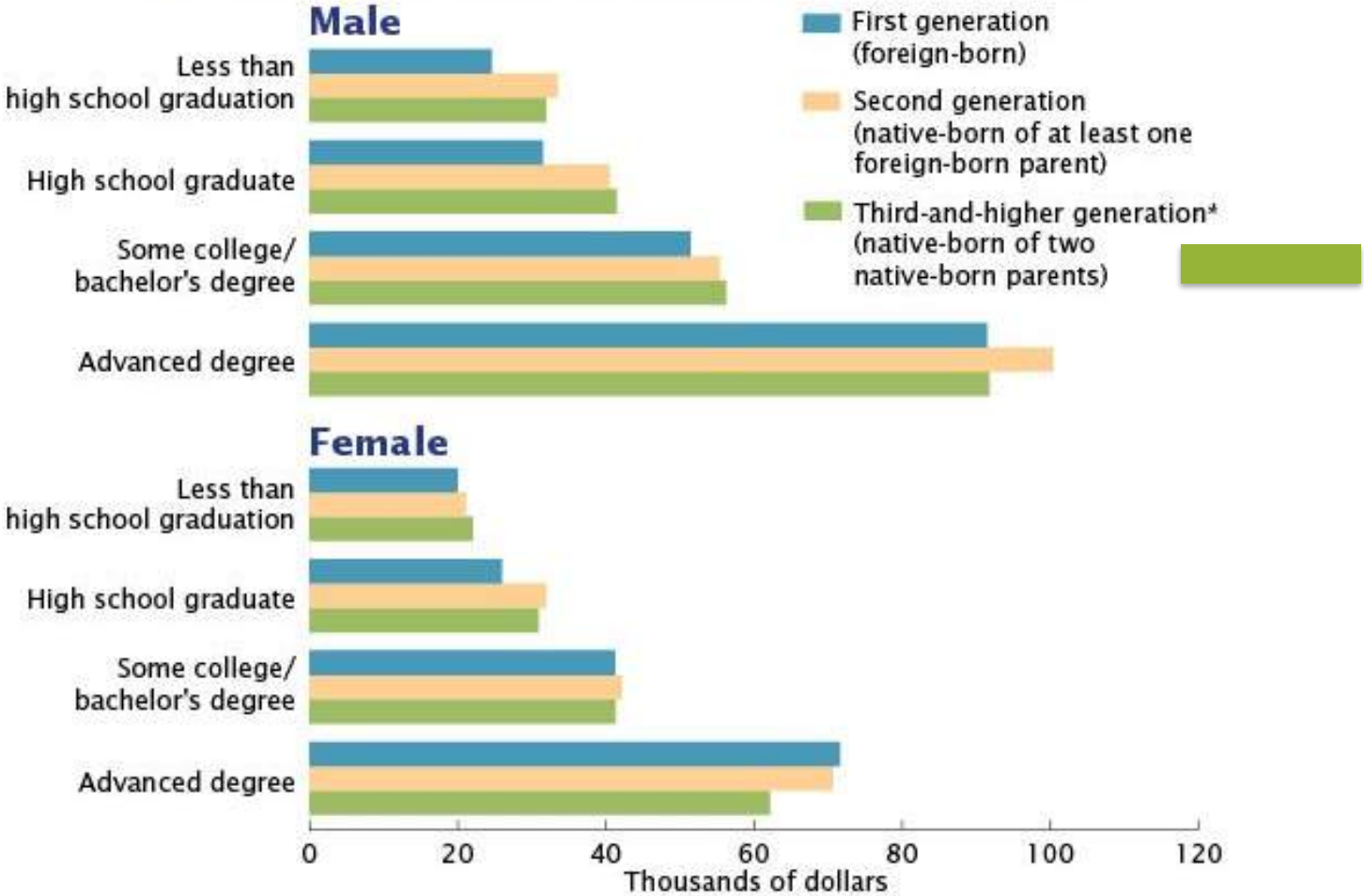
Unemployment rate for people 25 years and older by educational attainment



Source: Labor Department | WSJ.com

# Generational Earnings and Education

Median Earnings of Full-Time, Year-Round Workers Ages 25 to 64



Three quarters of the U. S. Population

Note: Refer to "Characteristics of the U.S. Population by Generational Status: 2013" for comparisons of the estimates. Data shown for 2012 reference year.  
\*Three quarters of the U.S. population were third-and-higher generation.



# Then and Now

A Look at How Life Has Changed from Super Bowl I to Super Bowl 50

## SUPER BOWL I

JAN. 15, 1967

LOS ANGELES MEMORIAL COLISEUM

### **Population** (1970 Census)

**United States:** 203 million

**Los Angeles:** 2.8 million

**Santa Clara:** 86,118

### **Median Household Income**

(1970 Census)

**United States:** \$9,590

**Los Angeles:** \$10,535

**Santa Clara:** \$12,135

### **Percent with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher** (1970 Census)

**United States:** 10.7%

**Los Angeles:** 13.9%

**Santa Clara:** 12.6%

Note: Median household income statistics have not been adjusted for inflation.

## SUPER BOWL 50

FEB. 7, 2016

LEVI'S STADIUM, SANTA CLARA, CA

### **Population** (July 1, 2014)

**United States:** 319 million

**Los Angeles:** 3.9 million

**Santa Clara:** 122,192

### **Median Household Income**

(as of 2014)

**United States:** \$53,657

**Los Angeles:** \$50,544

**Santa Clara:** \$91,080

### **Percent with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher** (as of 2014)

**United States:** 30.1%

**Los Angeles:** 32.3%

**Santa Clara:** 54.8%

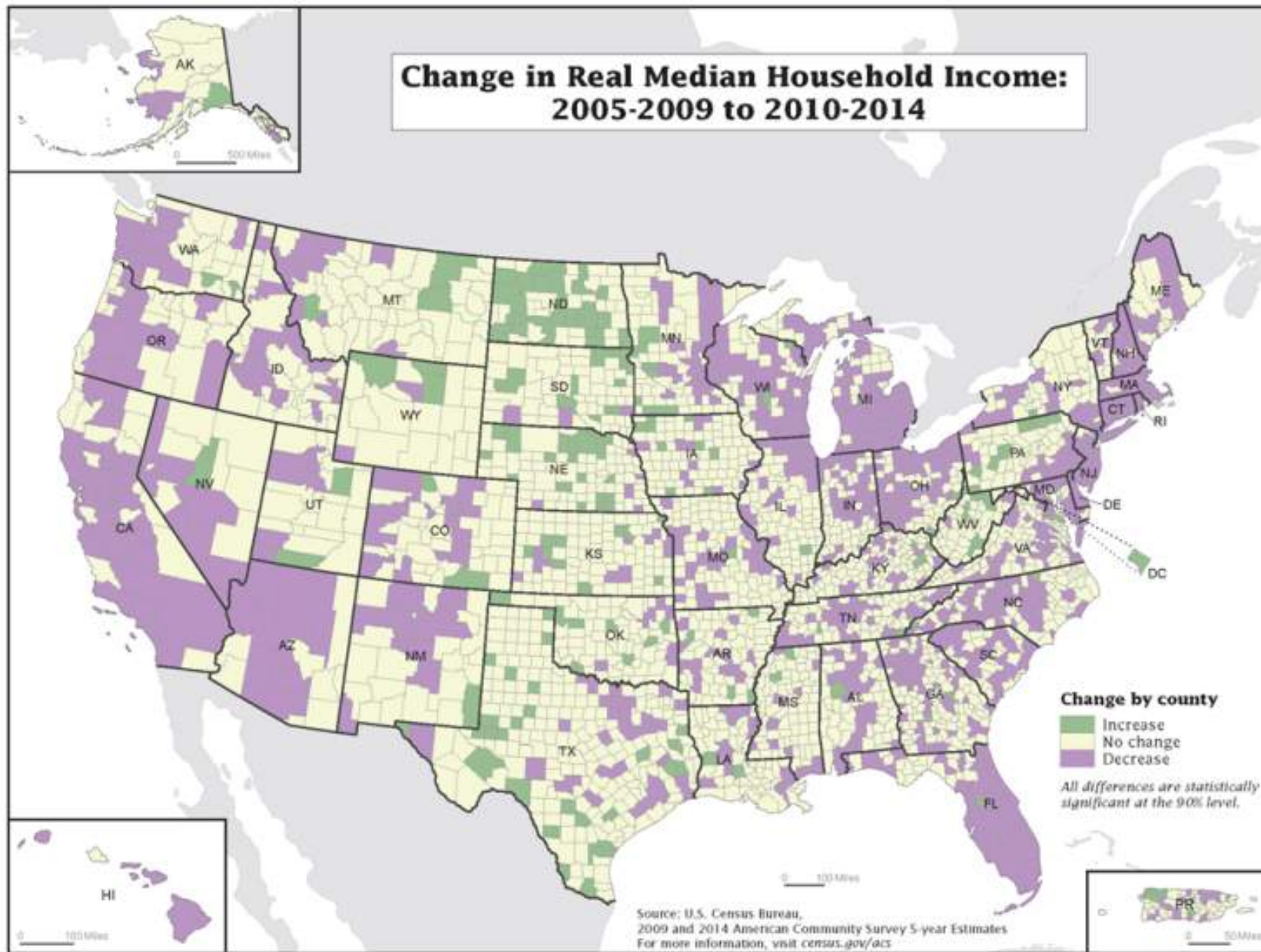
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**Census**  
Bureau

U.S. Department of Commerce  
Economics and Statistics Administration  
U.S. CENSUS BUREAU  
**census.gov**

Source: 1970 Census, Vintage 2014 Population Estimates,  
2014 American Community Survey

For more information, go to [census.gov/acs](http://census.gov/acs)

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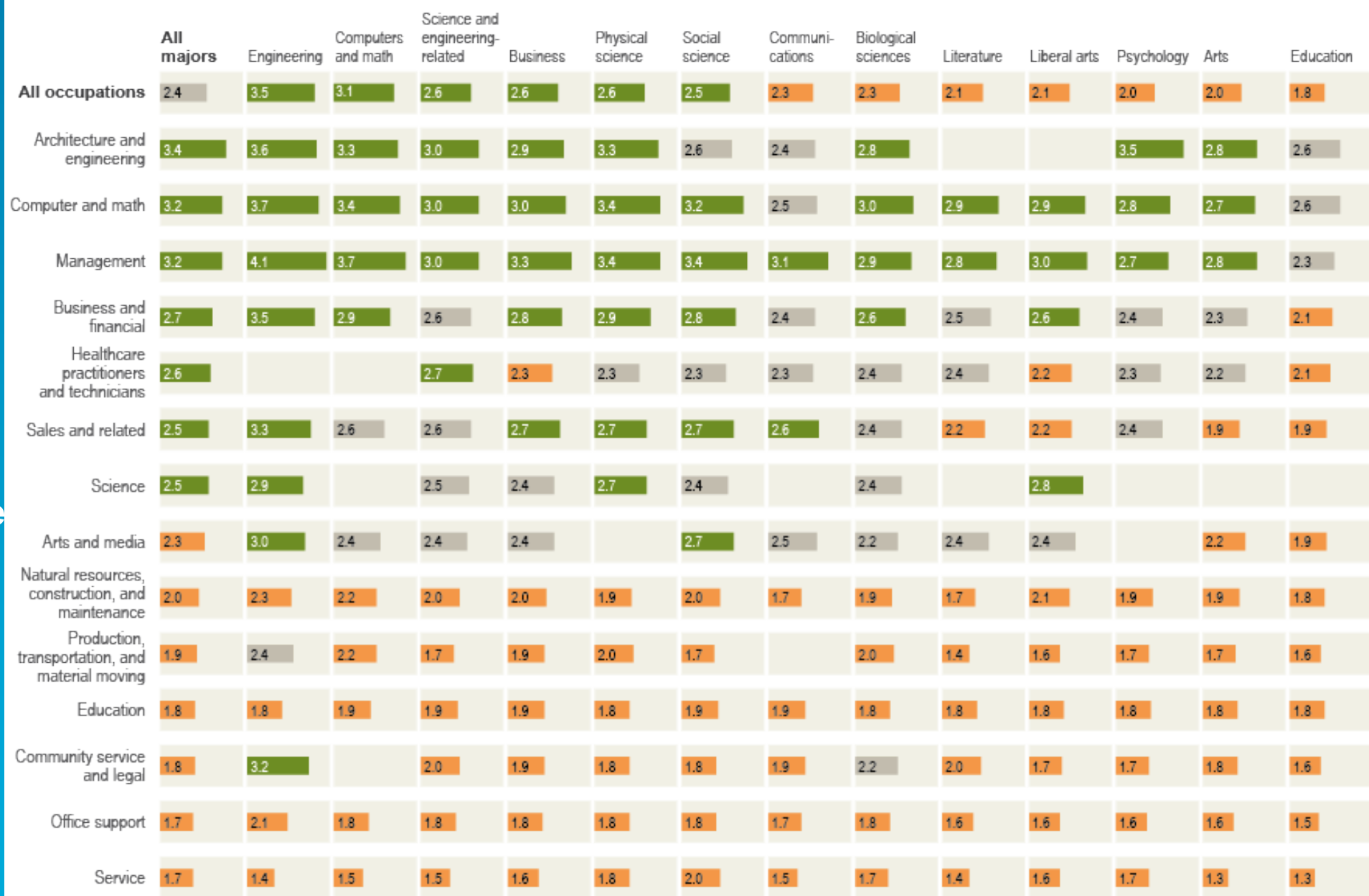



Source: U.S. Census Bureau 2009 and 2014 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates

<https://www.census.gov/library/visualizations/2015/acs/2014-2009-acs-hh-income.html>






- A bachelor's degree holder can expect to earn about \$2.4 million over his or her work life
- Engineering majors make the most of any college major, at \$3.5 million
- Education majors make the least, at \$1.8 million



Work-life earnings  
  
 1 2 3 \$4 million

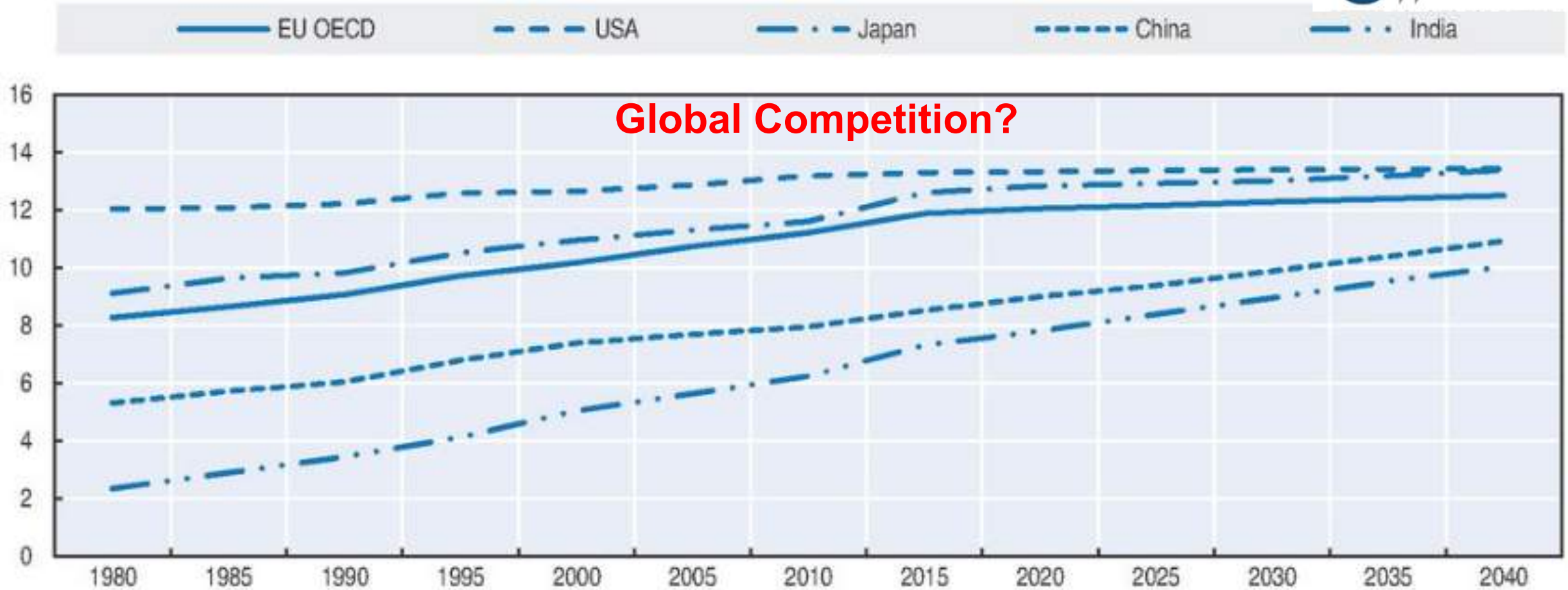
Average of \$2.4 million  
in work-life earnings

 Statistically higher  
 Not statistically different  
 Statistically lower  
 Blank cells indicate a small sample

<https://www.census.gov/dataviz/visualizations/056/>

Figure 2.12. **Long-term trends in educational attainment**

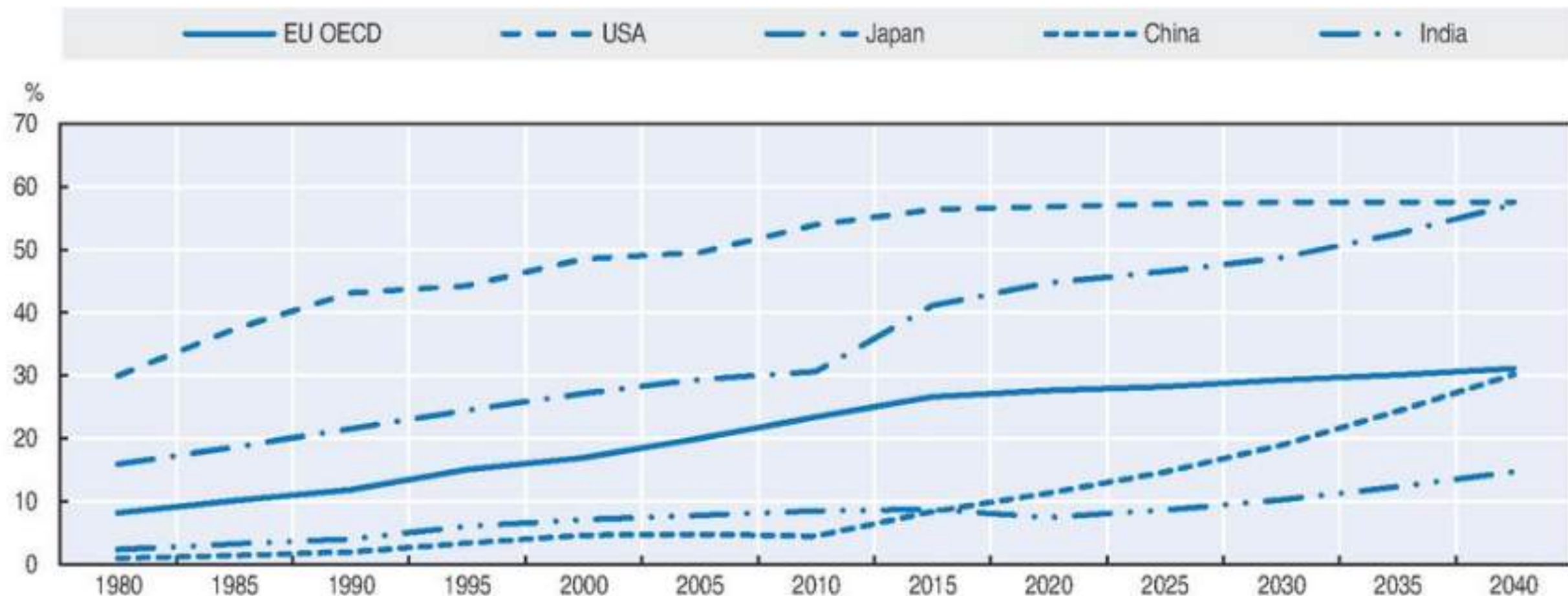
A. Average years of total schooling, whole population



OECD Skills Outlook 2017  
*Skills and Global Value Chains*  
DOI:[10.1787/9789264273351-en](https://doi.org/10.1787/9789264273351-en)

The OECD Skills Outlook 2017 shows how countries can make the most of global value chains, socially and economically.

### C. Share of the population with tertiary education



Note: Data for the whole population are for those aged above 15 until 2010 and estimates are given for the population 15-64 after 2010. Inequalities in educational attainment are measured by the coefficient of variation of average years of schooling.

Source: OECD calculations based on Barro and Lee (2013), "A new data set of educational attainment in the world, 1950-2010.", *Journal of Development Economics*, Vol. 104.

# Best College ROI by State

By:

20 Year Net ROI

Annual Percentage ROI

<http://www.payscale.com/college-roi>






















# PayScale 2017 COLLEGE ROI REPORT

<http://www.payscale.com/college-roi>

On Campus		Financial Aid		ROI Type			
<div>OnOff</div>		<div>WithoutWith</div>		<div>20-Yr NetAnnual %</div>		<div>Find a School by Name</div>	
Rank	School Name	20 Year Net ROI ▼	Total 4 Year Cost	Graduation Rate	Typical Years to Graduate	Average Loan Amount	
463 (tie)	 <a href="#">SUNY - Geneseo</a> (In-State)	\$300,000	\$89,100	78%	4 Years	\$26,000	
463 (tie)	 <a href="#">Temple University</a> (In-State)	\$300,000	\$122,000	69%	5 Years	\$34,000	
463 (tie)	 <a href="#">University of Arkansas - Main Campus</a> (Out-of-State)	\$300,000	\$138,000	62%	5 Years	\$27,800	
463 (tie)	 <a href="#">University of Kentucky (UK)</a> (In-State)	\$300,000	\$98,700	61%	5 Years	\$29,500	
468 (tie)	 <a href="#">California State University - Stanislaus</a> (Out-of-State)	\$298,000	\$129,000	53%	5 Years	\$20,800	
468 (tie)	 <a href="#">Indiana University (IU) - Bloomington</a> (Out-of-State)	\$298,000	\$186,000	78%	4 Years	\$31,000	
468 (tie)	 <a href="#">Texas State University - San Marcos Campus</a> (In-State)	\$298,000	\$81,800	55%	5 Years	\$24,400	
471 (tie)	 <a href="#">Jacksonville University</a> (Private)	\$297,000	\$183,000	41%	4 Years	\$30,600	
471 (tie)	 <a href="#">Merrimack College</a> (Private)	\$297,000	\$203,000	68%	4 Years	\$44,400	
471 (tie)	 <a href="#">Minnesota State University - Mankato Campus</a> (In-State)	\$297,000	\$73,400	50%	5 Years	\$31,500	
471 (tie)	 <a href="#">University of North Carolina at Charlotte (UNCC)</a> (Out-of-State)	\$297,000	\$129,000	55%	5 Years	\$25,900	
471 (tie)	 <a href="#">University of St. Thomas - Houston, TX</a> (Private)	\$297,000	\$168,000	52%	4 Years	\$24,700	
476 (tie)	 <a href="#">Lake Forest College</a> (Private)	\$296,000	\$211,000	73%	4 Years	\$28,800	
476 (tie)	 <a href="#">University of North Dakota</a> (Out-of-State)	\$296,000	\$125,000	55%	5 Years	\$36,300	
478 (tie)	 <a href="#">Ferris State University</a> (Out-of-State)	\$295,000	\$113,000	43%	5 Years	\$29,000	
478	<a href="#">Mississippi State University</a>	\$295,000	\$88,100	60%	5 Years	\$26,900	



## College ROI Report 324<sup>th</sup>

20 Year Net ROI	\$345,000
Annual ROI	9.1%
Total 4 Year Cost	\$73,700

[Compare to Other Schools](#)

## College Salary Report 344<sup>th</sup>

Early Career Salary	\$48,500
Mid-Career Salary	\$79,400
% High Meaning	58 %

[Compare to Other 4-Year Schools](#)

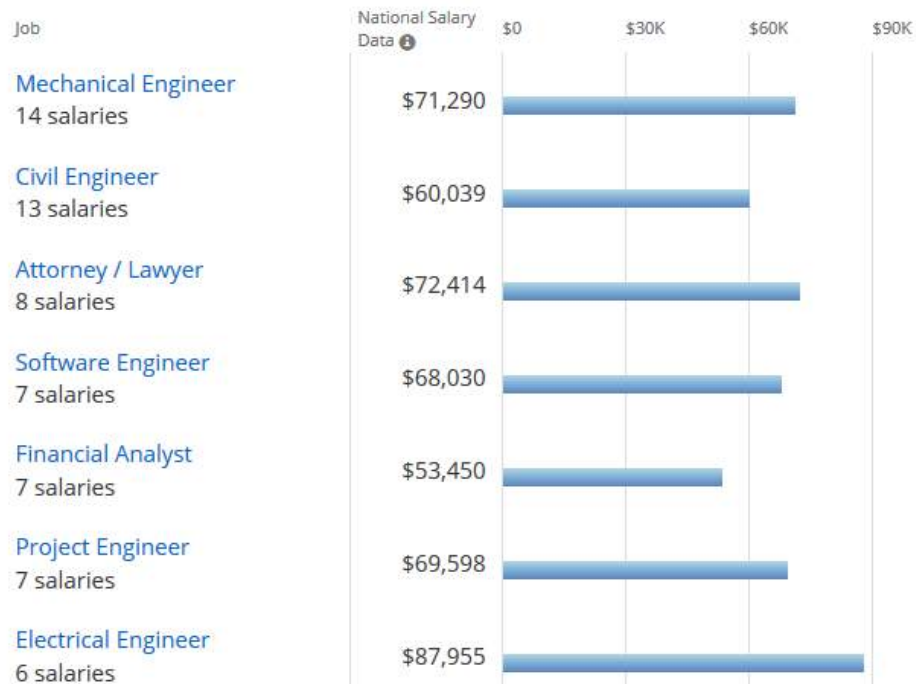
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University of Wyoming (UW) Alumni

### Median Salary by Job



Country: United States | Currency: USD | Updated: 27 Apr 2017 | Individuals Reporting: 566

## College ROI Report 330<sup>th</sup>

20 Year Net ROI	\$343,000
Annual ROI	8.3%
Total 4 Year Cost	\$86,500

[Compare to Other Schools](#)

## College Salary Report 292<sup>nd</sup>

Early Career Salary	\$48,300
Mid-Career Salary	\$82,000
% High Meaning	57 %

[Compare to Other 4-Year Schools](#)

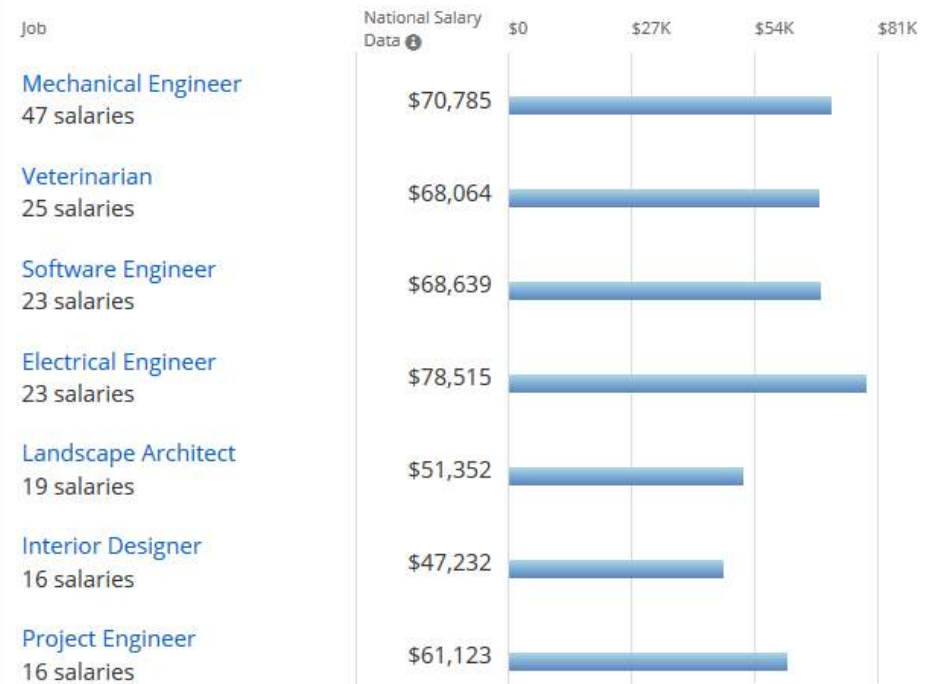
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Kansas State University (KSU) Alumni

### Median Salary by Job



Country: United States | Currency: USD | Updated: 23 Apr 2017 | Individuals Reporting: 1,612

## College ROI Report 3<sup>rd</sup>

20 Year Net ROI	\$959,000
Annual ROI	8.4%
Total 4 Year Cost	\$240,000

[Compare to Other Schools](#)

## College Salary Report 2<sup>nd</sup>

Early Career Salary	\$78,300
Mid-Career Salary	\$134,000
% High Meaning	62 %

[Compare to Other 4-Year Schools](#)

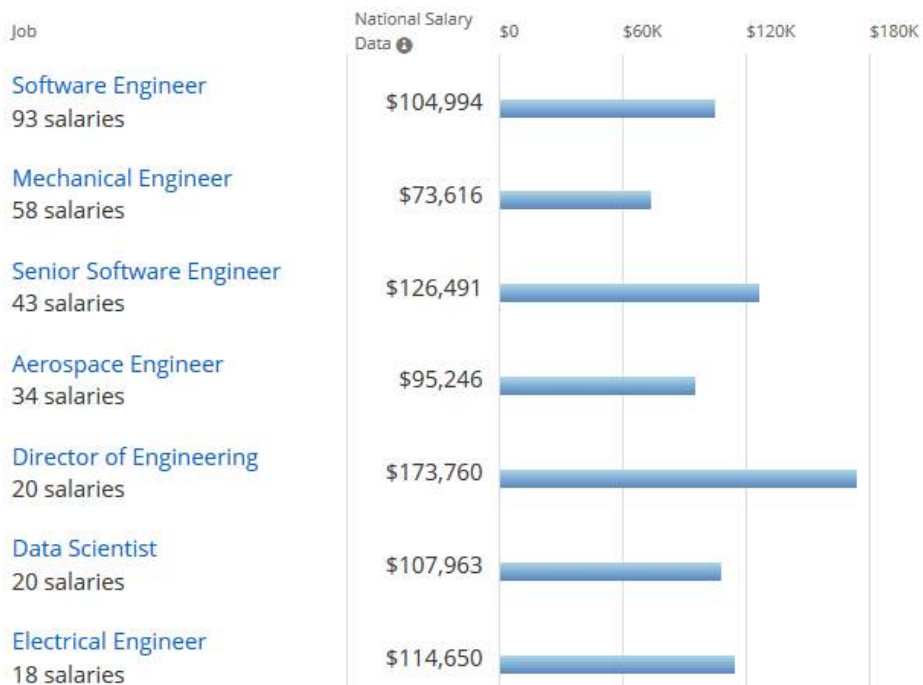
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Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Alumni

### Median Salary by Job



Country: United States | Currency: USD | Updated: 22 Apr 2017 | Individuals Reporting: 1,503

## College ROI Report 5<sup>th</sup>

20 Year Net ROI	\$883,000
Annual ROI	11.1%
Total 4 Year Cost	\$123,000

[Compare to Other Schools](#)

## College Salary Report 22<sup>nd</sup>

Early Career Salary	\$65,200
Mid-Career Salary	\$114,000
% High Meaning	55 %

[Compare to Other 4-Year Schools](#)

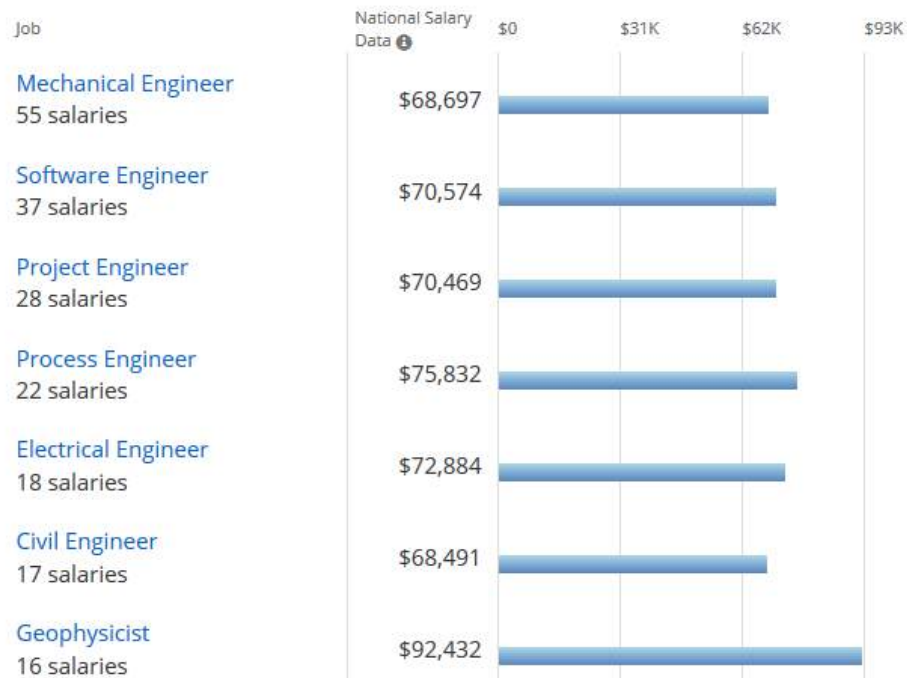
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Colorado School of Mines Alumni

### Median Salary by Job



Country: United States | Currency: USD | Updated: 21 Apr 2017 | Individuals Reporting: 741

# A More Educated Citizenry Has A Positive Impact – Local, State, Nation

## Personal benefit, public good

- Higher income
  - Lower unemployment
  - Greater job satisfaction
  - Social/Emotional Benefits
  - Health/Welfare/Quality of Life Benefits
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- The success of our democracy lies in ordinary citizens vested with deep civic responsibility, citizens who engage each other directly in the pursuit of the **common good**. \_Thomas Jefferson

# ***VISION: Increased ATTAINMENT***

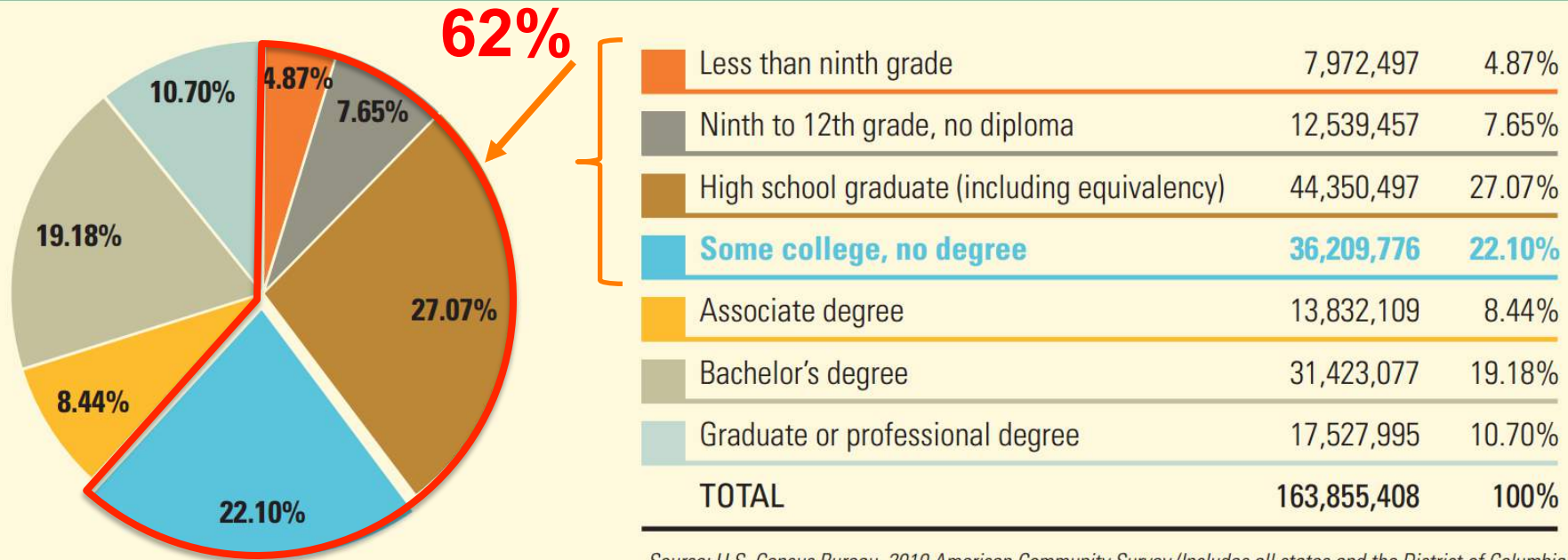
***Post Secondary Degree or Credential***

- **U.S. is 14<sup>th</sup> in the world for college attainment**
- **Several goals to increase attainment to 60% by 2020 or 2025**
- **Will need to serve ever more students who have some college or acquired competencies, but no degree**
- **Gaps for underserved and minorities need to be closed**
- **Can we do that with our current system and higher ed business model?**



# Attainment – How much is good enough? Is 38% “good enough?”

## Levels of education for United States residents, ages 25-64



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 American Community Survey (Includes all states and the District of Columbia.)



A special report from Lumina Foundation



## ***GOAL: 60% of 25 to 34 year-olds Will Have Post Secondary Certificate or Degree By 2020***

- Percent of Adults Today Aged 25 to 34 with College Degrees is 38%
- *Average Annual % Change from 2000 to 2008 was 0.34%*
- At that rate of change (.34%) by 2020 attainment would only be about 42%
- Projected 25 to 34 Year Olds in 2020 is 45,065,697
- Additional Degrees Needed to Meet Goal =  $(60\% - 42\%) \times 45,065,697$  or 8,111,825
- Current Production of Associate and Bachelors (2007-08) 2,313,233
- *U.S. Annual Percentage Increase Needed: 4.2%*
  - *That's 12 times the current annual rate of growth!*

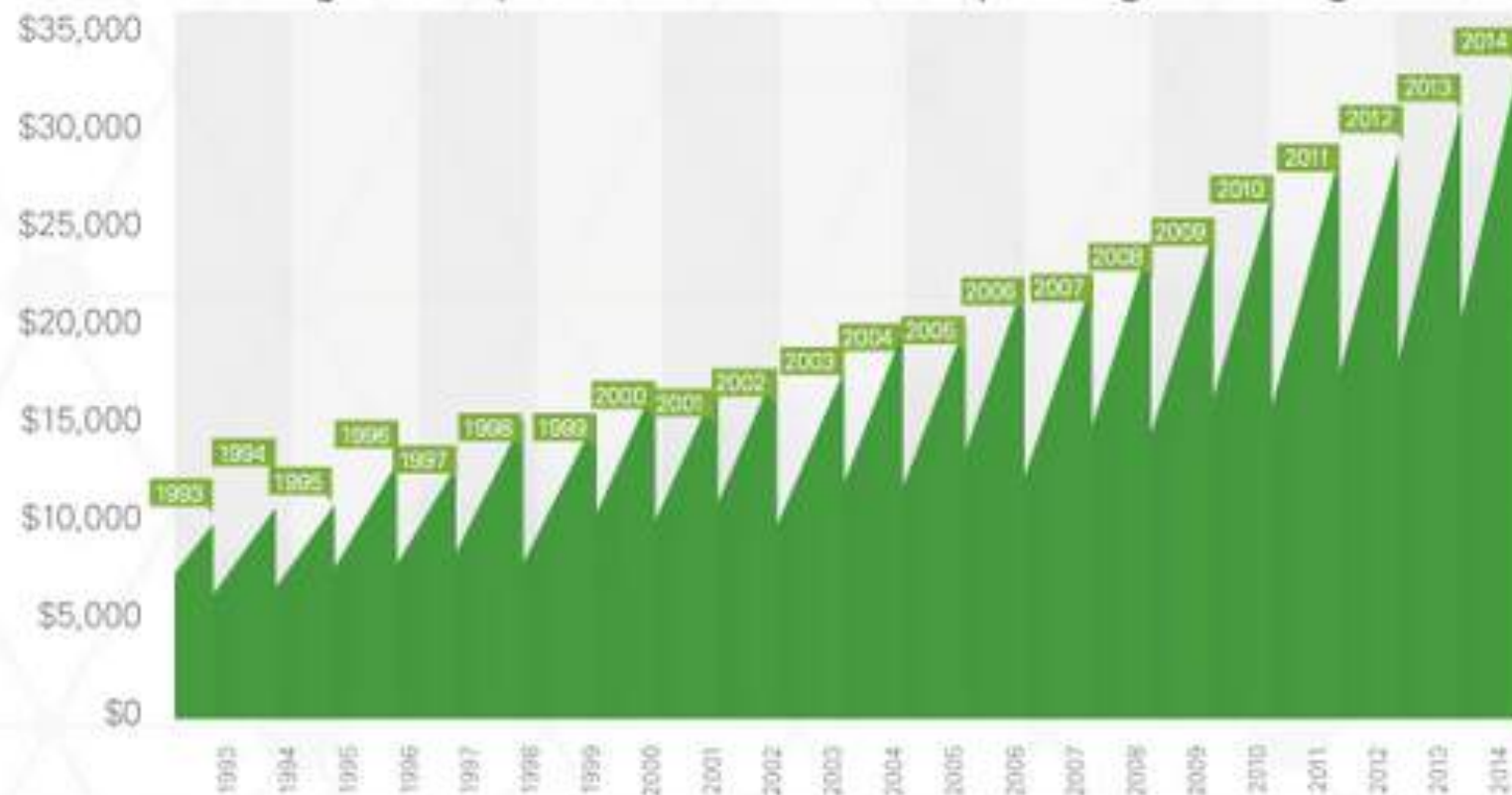
*More Brick and Mortar?*

# CLASS OF 2014

## \$33,000

Average Debt of  
a 2014 Graduate

Average debt per borrower in each year's graduating class.



Source: Mark Kantrowitz analysis of National Center for Education Statistics data. WSJ.com

**New Hampshire \$34,170.00**

**Pennsylvania \$32,659.00**

**Delaware \$32,571.00**

**Maine \$31,449.00**

**Minnesota \$29,657.00**

**Alaska \$29,467.00**

**South Carolina \$29,407.00**

**Michigan \$29,092.00**

**Alabama \$28,994.00**

**Rhode Island \$28,875.00**

**Illinois \$28,260.00**

**Montana \$28,030.00**

**Ohio \$28,010.00**

**New Jersey \$27,914.00**

**Vermont \$27,886.00**

**Indiana \$27,878.00**

**Iowa \$27,695.00**

**Massachusetts \$27,348.00**

**West Virginia \$27,264.00**

**Mississippi \$27,222.00**

**Wisconsin \$27,094.00**

**Idaho \$26,385.00**

**Virginia \$26,380.00**

**Kansas \$26,087.00**

**Connecticut \$25,348.00**

**Arkansas \$25,257.00**

**Maryland \$25,156.00**

**Kentucky \$25,036.00**

**Missouri \$24,353.00**

**Oregon \$24,248.00**

**South Dakota \$24,181.00**

**Nebraska \$24,130.00**

**Tennessee \$24,016.00**

**Colorado \$23,937.00**

**Texas \$23,860.00**

**North Carolina \$23,440.00**

**Wyoming \$22,879.00**

**Georgia \$22,833.00**

**Washington \$22,629.00**

**Arizona \$22,165.00**

**Florida \$22,065.00**

**Hawaii \$21,979.00**

**New York \$21,720.00**

**Louisiana \$21,640.00**

**Nevada \$21,577.00**

**Oklahoma \$20,750.00**

**New Mexico \$18,473.00**

**California \$18,066.00**

**Utah \$18,065.00**

## COLLEGE STUDENT DEBT

- Is average debt of \$33,000 real?

Most college-level data are taken directly from U.S. Department of Education sources and the Common Data Set (CDS).  
Derived variables and aggregate figures for states, sectors, and other groupings of colleges were calculated as described under "About the Data."

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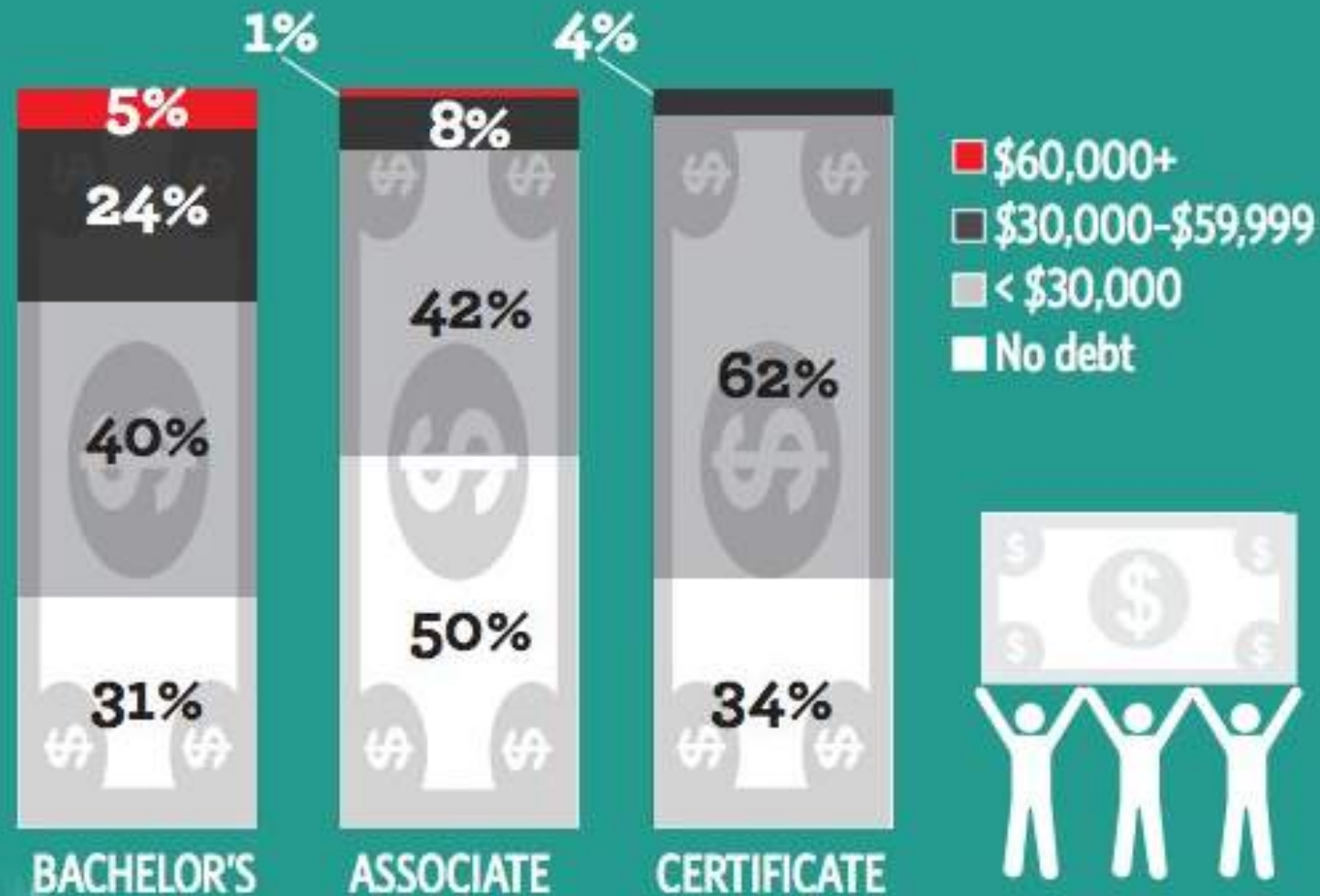
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# Amount of Cumulative Student Debt

Most students have no loan debt or have less than \$30,000 in debt.<sup>4</sup> (Note: Totals may not add up to 100 percent, due to rounding.)





Cumulative debt  
(% of all beginning  
postsecondary  
students)

Did not borrow  
(43%)

\$1 to \$10,000  
(25%)

\$10,001 to \$20,000  
(16%)

\$20,001 to \$30,000  
(8%)

\$30,001 to \$50,000  
(5%)

\$50,001 to \$75,000  
(1%)

\$75,001 or more  
(1%)

## *Student Debt: Who Borrows Most?*

Sandy Baum, Martha C. Johnson

April 19, 2015



- **93% of students**
  - **43% did not borrow**
  - **Another 25% had less than \$10,000 debt**
  - **Then 16% had less than \$20,000**
  - **And only 8% had debt between \$20,001 and \$30,000**

# *Student Debt: Who Borrows Most? What Lies Ahead?*

Sandy Baum, Martha C. Johnson, April 19, 2015

- Recent discussions of student debt have focused on the rapidly growing aggregate amount outstanding, which now exceeds **\$1 trillion**.
- Less attention goes to the reality that, over the decade from 2004 through 2014, the three years with the **slowest rates of growth** were 2012, 2013, and 2014.
- Moreover, the **number of borrowers has increased** more rapidly than the average debt, **as college enrollment has risen**.
- The **amount of debt individual students accrue** is a more important indicator of students' well-being and the future of educational opportunity than the dramatic outstanding total.



## Summary:

- The borrowers with the highest levels of debt tend to be among those who have pursued **graduate** study
- Those with **professional practice degrees** in law, medicine, and related professions account for a disproportionate number of borrowers with large debts
- Among undergraduate borrowers: more likely than others to accumulate large debts
  - students enrolled in **for-profit** institutions
  - those who are **independent** of their parents
  - those who **stay in school** for a longer time
- Students from **low-income families** are not more likely than others to borrow large amounts
  - because they tend to stay in school for fewer years.

# Debt Is Higher among Graduates with Higher Degrees

*Cumulative debt among degree recipients, 2012*



Source: NCES, 2012.

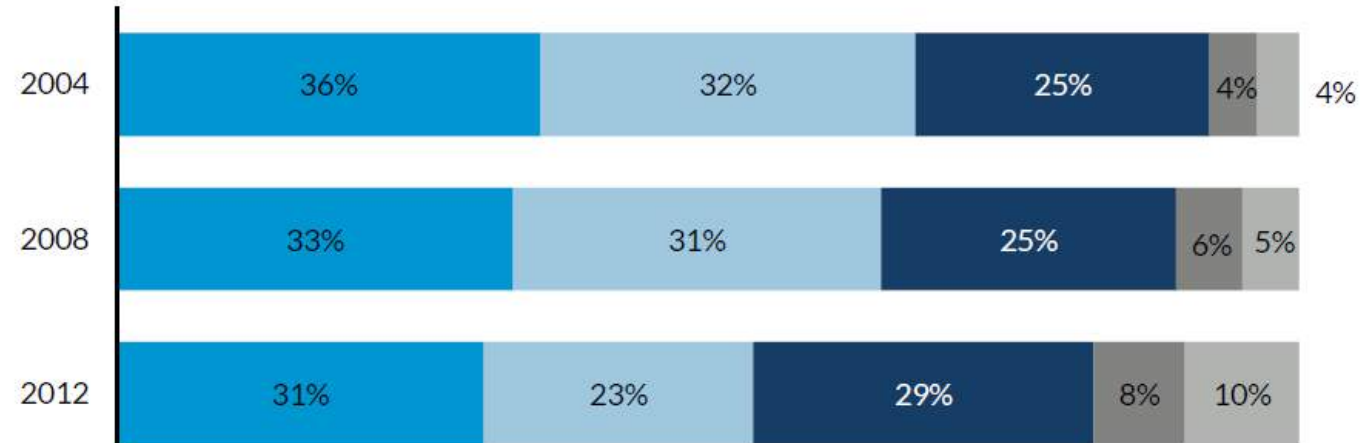


# High Debt Is Rare, but Becoming More Common among Bachelor's Degree Recipients

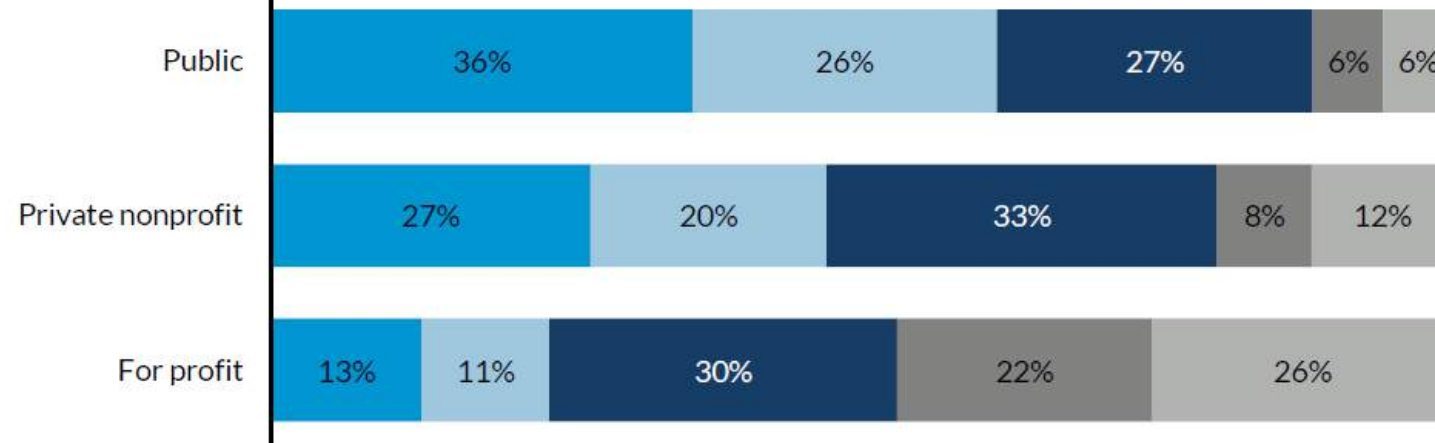
*Distribution of debt for bachelor's degree recipients, 2012*

■ No debt   ■ <\$20,000   ■ \$20,000–\$39,999   ■ \$40,000–\$49,999   ■ \$50,000 or more

## Over time (all sectors)

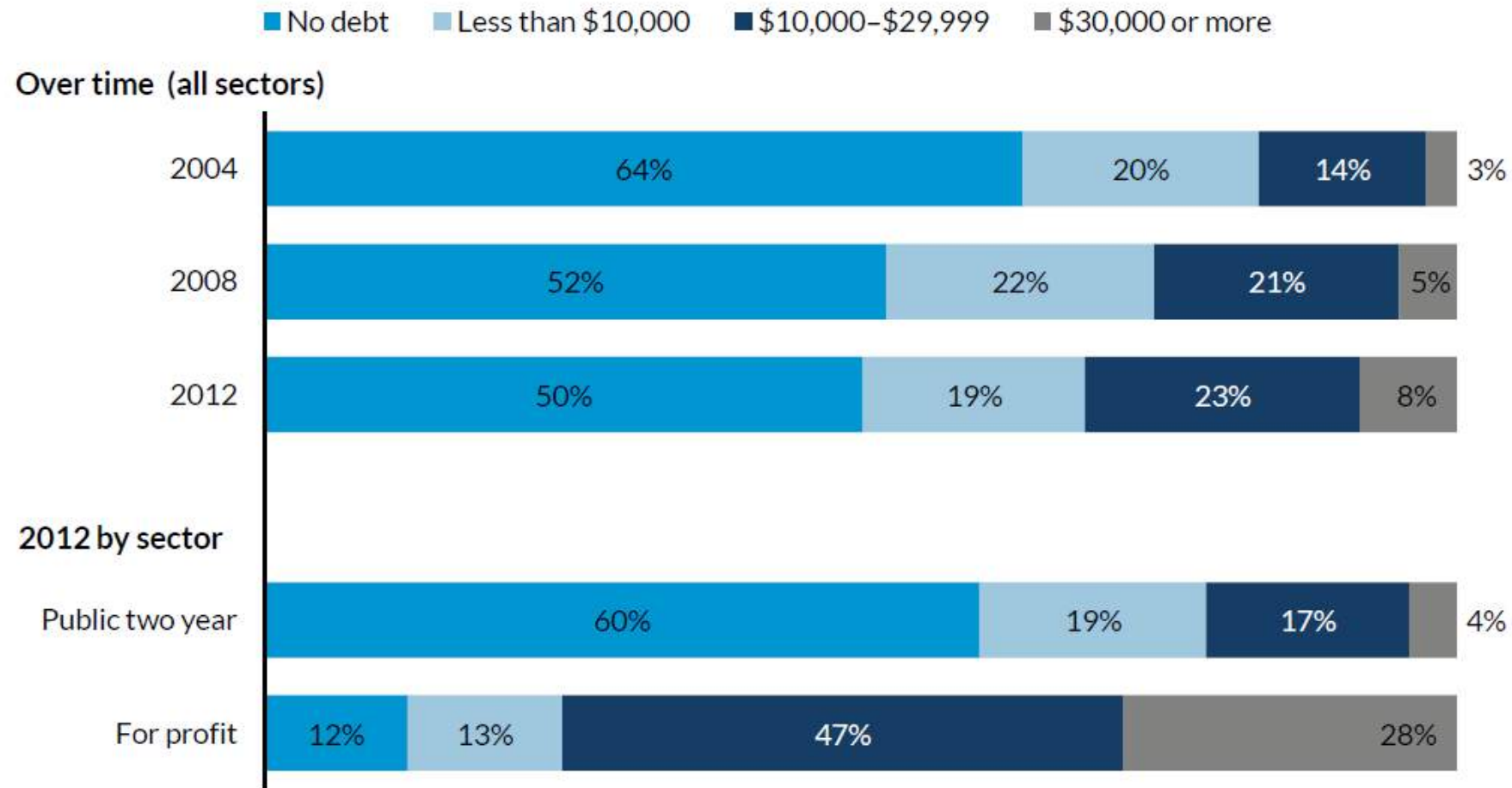


## 2012 by sector



# Debt Levels of Associate Degree Recipients Have Also Increased over Time

*Distribution of debt for associate degree recipients, 2012*



**Source:** NCES, 2004, 2008, and 2012.

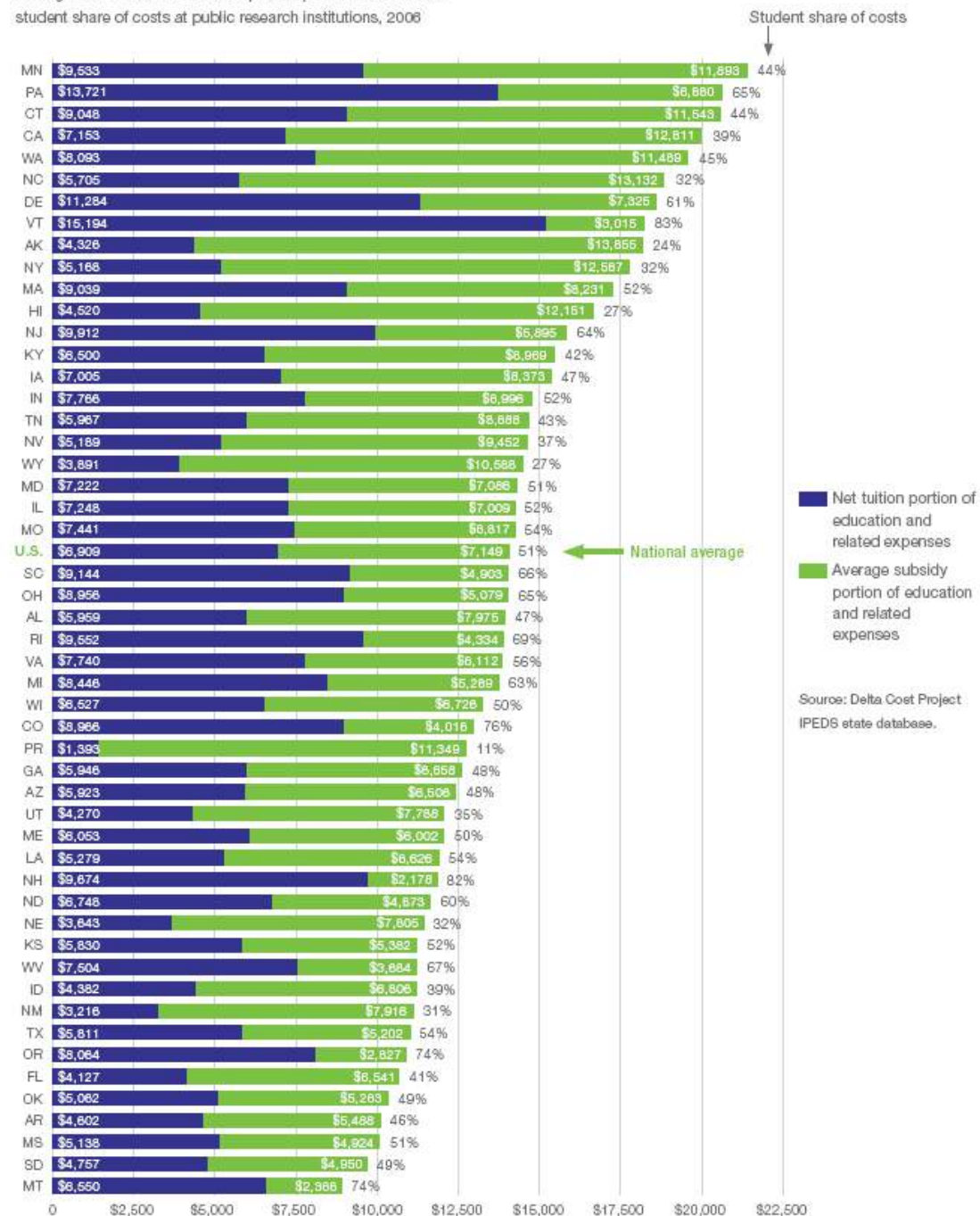
**Note:** Debt cutoffs are in 2012 dollars. Percentages by sector do not sum to 100 percent because four-year institutions awarded associate degrees to 9 percent of recipients in 2012 and 10 percent of the recipients had attended other types of institutions or multiple institutions in 2012. Among the associate degrees awarded in 2012, 68 percent were from public, two-year institutions and 14 percent were from for-profit institutions.

# Public Institutions –Tuition Trends Upward

- Declining Appropriations to Public Institutions
- Higher Education's Share of State Spending Is Declining
  - Health, including Medicaid, is nearly 1/3, and rising
  - K-12 is next largest, and rising
  - Higher Education is less than 10%, and NOT rising
    - Discretionary

# A snapshot of state subsidy patterns for education and related expenses

Average education and related expenses per FTE student and student share of costs at public research institutions, 2008



## Net Tuition after State Subsidy -

Student share of cost:

Highest: Vermont at 83%, Colorado 76%, Oregon 74%

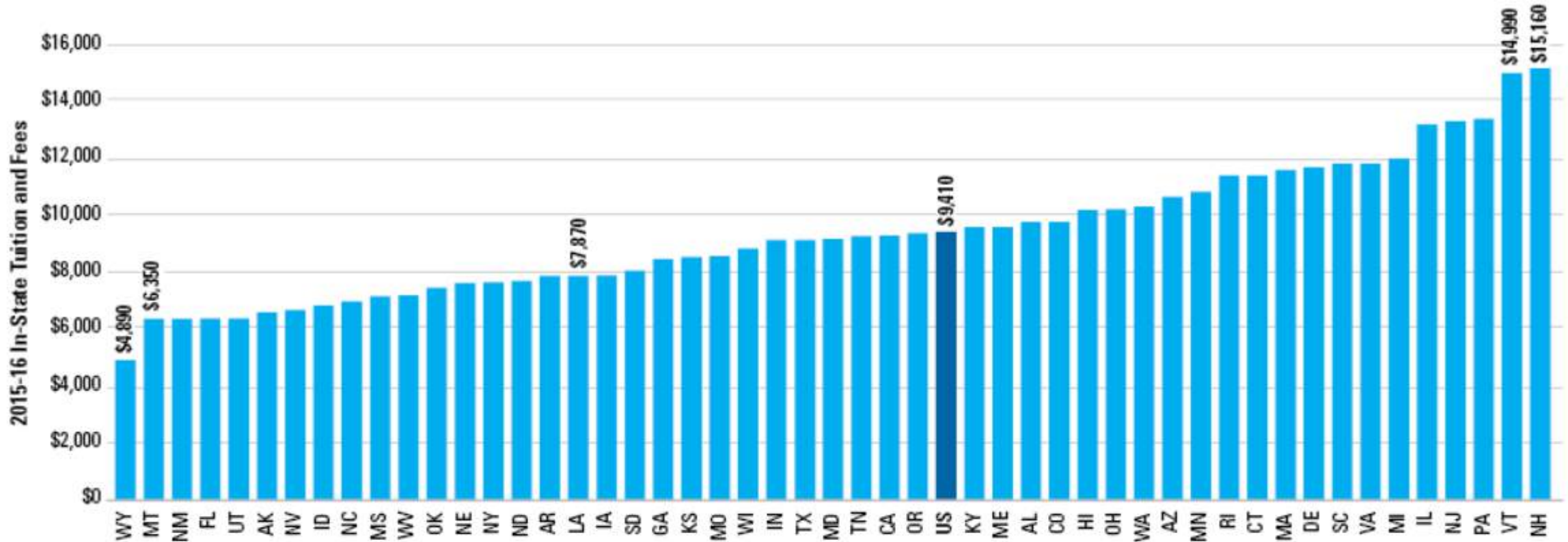
Lowest: Alaska at 24%, Wyoming and Hawaii 27%

[http://www.deltacostproject.org/resources/pdf/trends\\_in\\_spending-report.pdf](http://www.deltacostproject.org/resources/pdf/trends_in_spending-report.pdf)



# How Free is Free Tuition?

## Average 2015-16 In-State Tuition and Fees at Public Four-Year Institutions by State



- <https://trends.collegeboard.org/college-pricing/figures-tables/2015-16-state-tuition-and-fees-public-four-year-institutions-state-and-five-year-percentage>

# It's Not All About Tuition

- The highest cost is non-completion
- Then there's room, board, transportation....

# Tuition and Fees and Room and Board over Time, 1976-77 to 2016-17, Selected Years

Other Data in this Topic

Between 2011-12 and 2016-17, published tuition and fee prices rose by 9% in the public four-year sector, by 11% at public two-year colleges, and by 13% at private nonprofit four-year institutions, after adjusting for inflation.

Table 2A: Average Tuition and Fees and Room and Board in 2016 Dollars, 1976-77 to 2016-17, Selected Years

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	Tuition and Fees in 2016 Dollars						Tuition and Fees and Room and Board in 2016 Dollars			
	Private Nonprofit Four-Year	Five-Year % Change	Public Four-Year	Five-Year % Change	Public Two-Year	Five-Year % Change	Private Nonprofit Four-Year	Five-Year % Change	Public Four-Year	Five-Year % Change
1976-77	\$10,680		\$2,600		\$1,190		\$16,760		\$8,160	
1981-82	\$10,810	1%	\$2,390	-8%	\$1,140	-4%	\$16,630	-1%	\$7,540	-8%
1986-87	\$14,630	35%	\$3,110	30%	\$1,450	27%	\$21,650	30%	\$8,900	18%
1991-92	\$17,340	19%	\$3,720	20%	\$2,070	43%	\$25,070	16%	\$9,630	8%
1996-97	\$19,920	15%	\$4,560	23%	\$2,250	9%	\$28,140	12%	\$10,950	14%
2001-02	\$23,560	18%	\$5,110	12%	\$2,180	-3%	\$32,340	15%	\$12,250	12%
2006-07	\$26,380	12%	\$6,860	34%	\$2,680	23%	\$36,060	12%	\$15,180	24%
2011-12	\$29,700	13%	\$8,820	29%	\$3,170	18%	\$40,450	12%	\$18,270	20%
2016-17	\$33,480	13%	\$9,650	9%	\$3,520	11%	\$45,370	12%	\$20,090	10%

## Notes & Sources

Notes: Average tuition and fee prices reflect in-district charges for public two-year institutions and in-state charges for public four-year institutions.

Sources: College Board, Annual Survey of Colleges; NCES, IPEDS data.

# Four-Year Institutions

In 2016-17, the average full-time in-state student at a public four-year institution faces an average of **\$14,210** in charges for tuition and fees and room and board combined, **net** of grant aid and tax benefits.

In 2016-17, the average full-time in-state public four-year college student receives an estimated \$5,880 in grant aid and federal tax benefits, covering **61%** of the \$9,650 **published tuition and fee price**, or **net \$3770**

Sources: College Board, Annual Survey of Colleges; Trends in Student Aid 2016.

## Average Net Price over Time for Full-Time Students at Public Four-Year Institutions

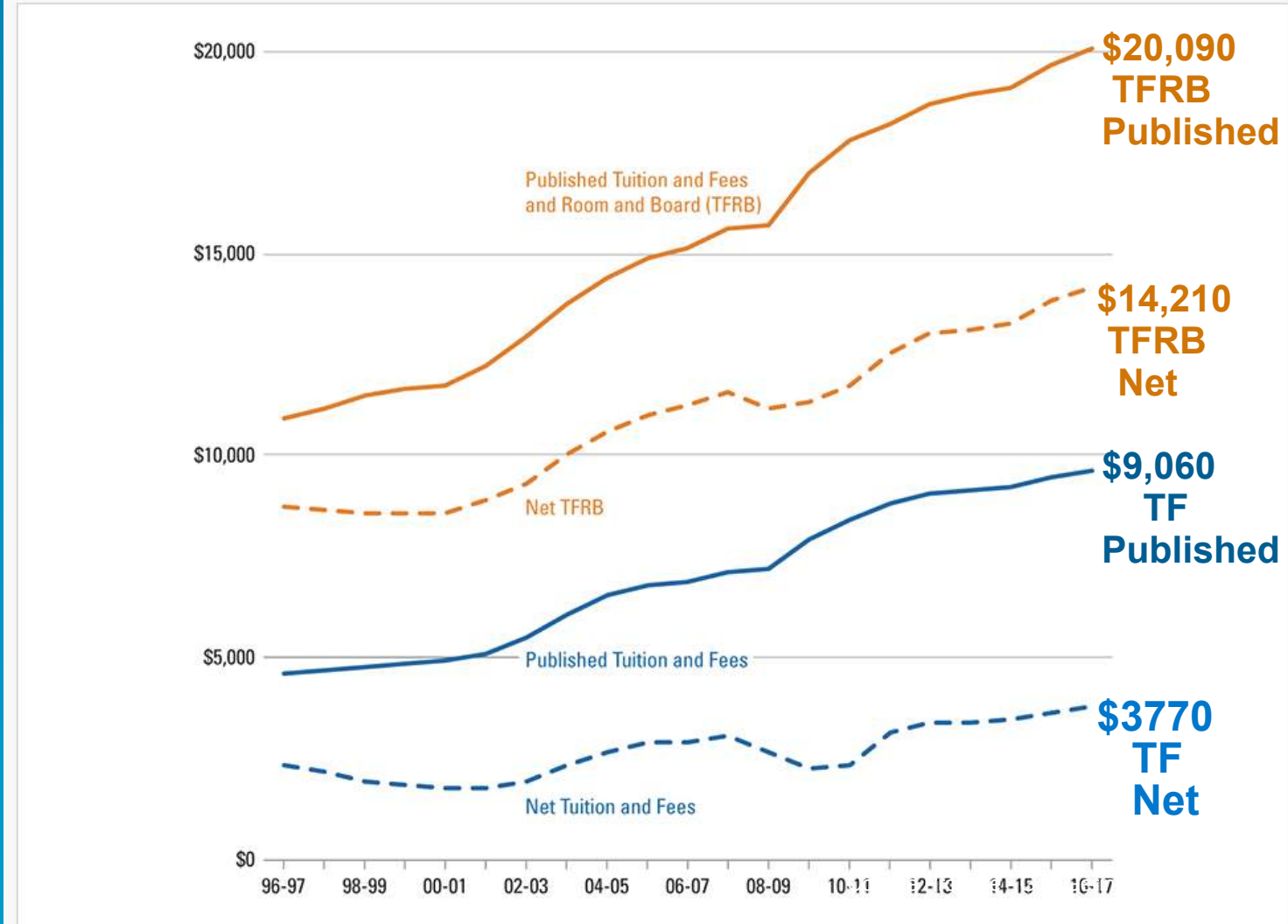
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In 2016-17, the estimated average net tuition and fee price paid by full-time in-state students at public four-year institutions is \$3,770, \$860 (in 2016 dollars) higher than the net price a decade earlier and \$1,550 higher than the 2009-10 low of \$2,220.

Figure 10: Average Published and Net Prices in 2016 Dollars, Full-Time In-State Undergraduate Students at Public Four-Year Institutions, 1996-97 to 2016-17

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# Two-Year Institutions

In 2016-17, full-time students at public two-year colleges receive an average of about **\$4,020** in grant aid and federal education tax credits and deductions — **\$500 more than required to cover tuition and fees**. They can use these funds for books and supplies or living expenses.

In 2016-17, on average after grant aid, full-time students at public two-year colleges must cover about **\$7,560** in books and supplies and living expenses.

Sources: College Board, Annual Survey of Colleges; Trends in Student Aid 2016.

## Average Net Price over Time for Full-Time Students at Public Two-Year Institutions

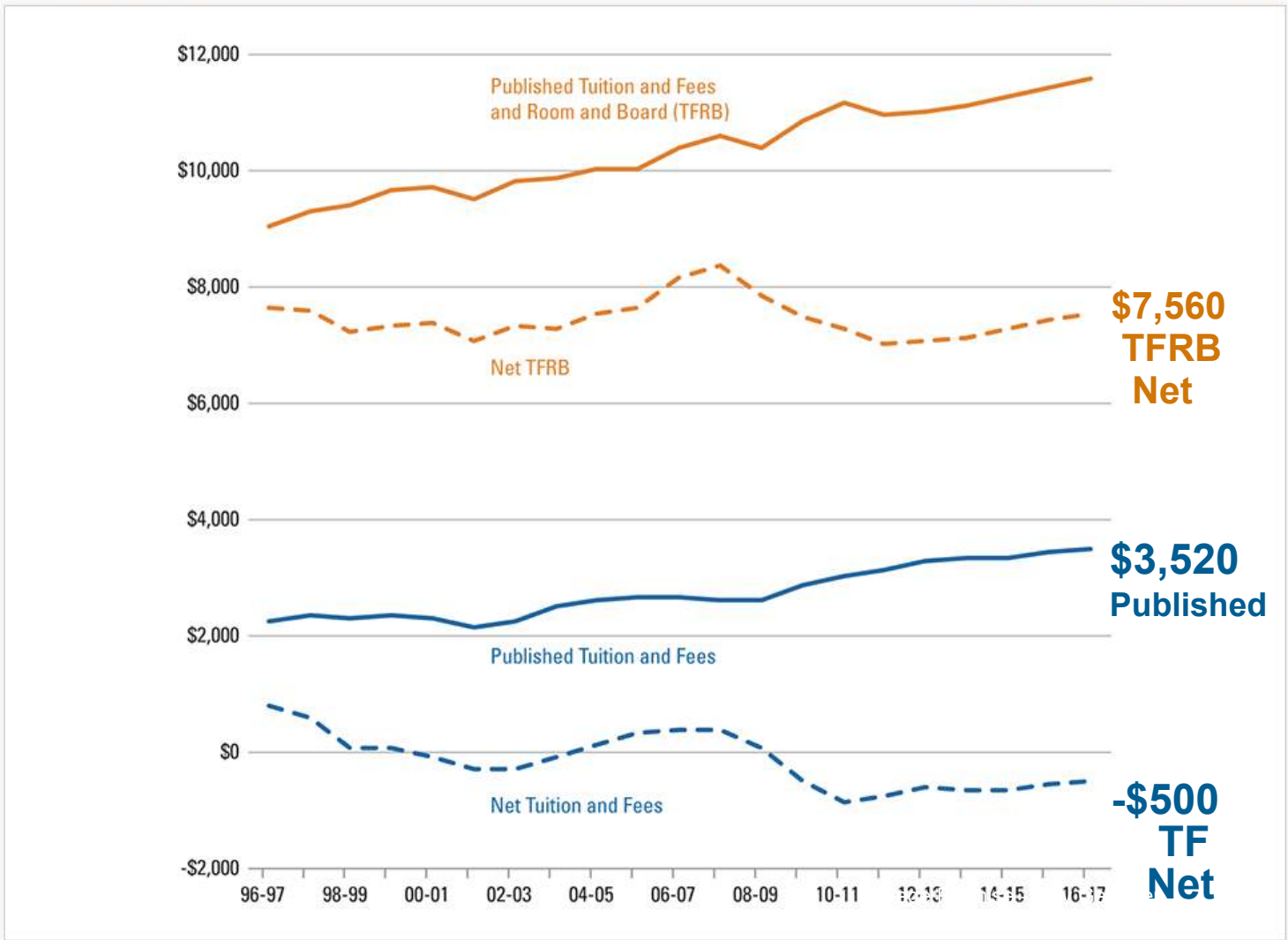
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In 2016-17, the average net tuition and fee price paid by full-time public two-year college students is \$920 (in 2016 dollars) less than in 2006-07 — but \$270 more than in 2011-12.

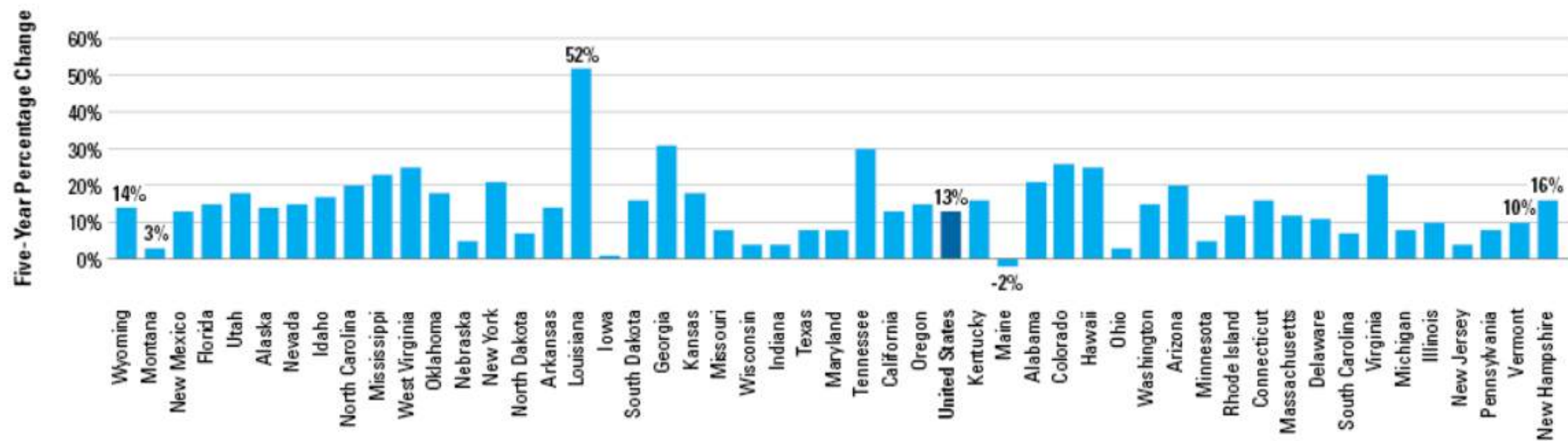
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# Five-Year Percentage Change in Inflation-Adjusted Tuition and Fees



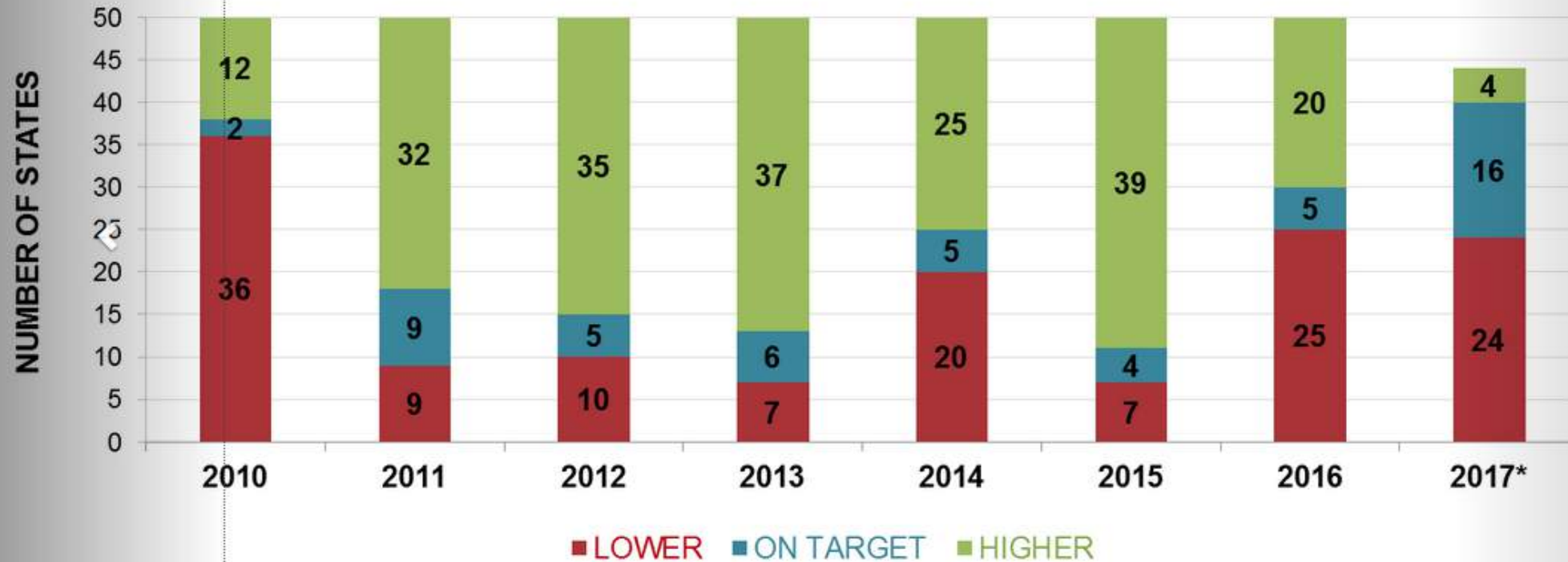
<https://trends.collegeboard.org/college-pricing/figures-tables/2015-16-state-tuition-and-fees-public-four-year-institutions-state-and-five-year-percentage>

# How Probable is Free Tuition?

- **How probable is increased HE state appropriations?**
- **State Higher Education Appropriations are Increasingly Tied to Outcomes and or Quality - Performance Based Funding**
  - **Assess and Report completion and success after graduation**
- **The greatest return on state investment is to increase rate of completion and attainment**

## REVENUES BELOW PROJECTIONS IN MANY STATES IN FISCAL 2016 & 2017

### GENERAL FUND REVENUE COLLECTIONS COMPARED TO BUDGET PROJECTIONS | BY FISCAL YEAR



Source: NASBO Fiscal Survey of States.

\*Fiscal 2017 figures are based on data collected early in fiscal year. Not all states were able to report for fiscal 2017.

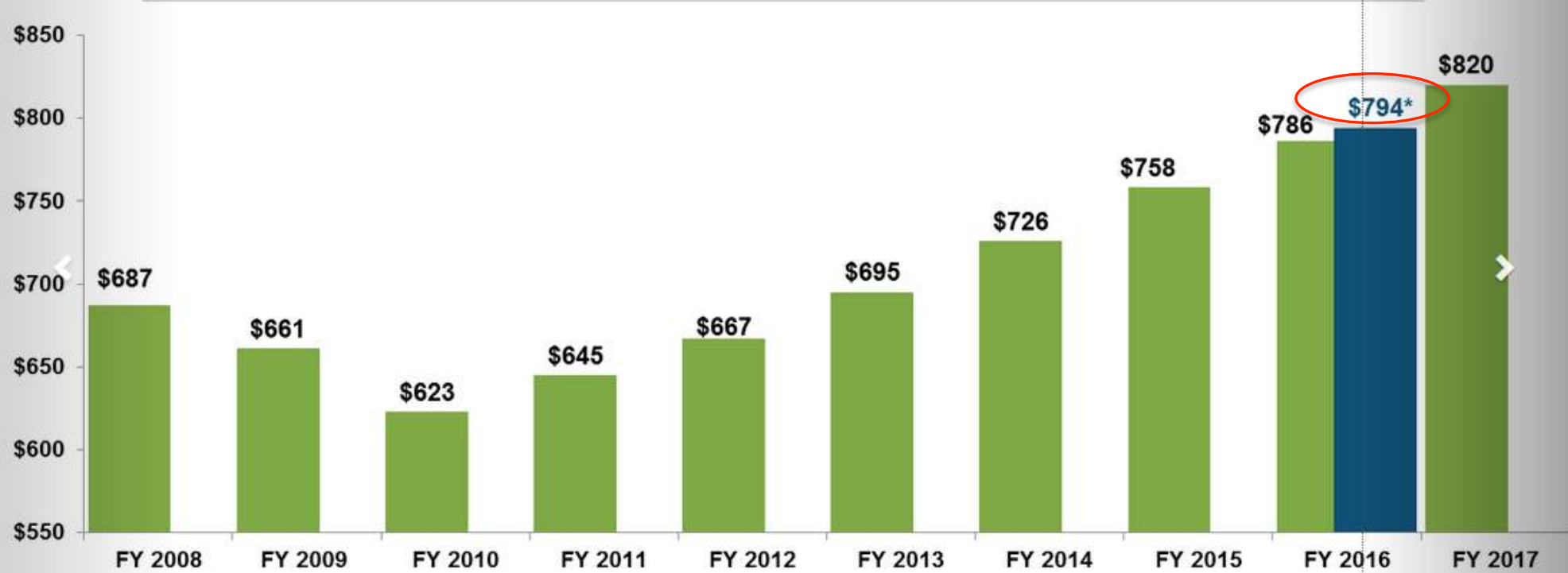




# FISCAL 2016 GENERAL FUND REVENUE GROWTH SLOWED

Modest Growth Expected in Fiscal 2017

GENERAL FUND SPENDING: FY 2008 – FY 2017 | BY FISCAL YEAR IN BILLIONS



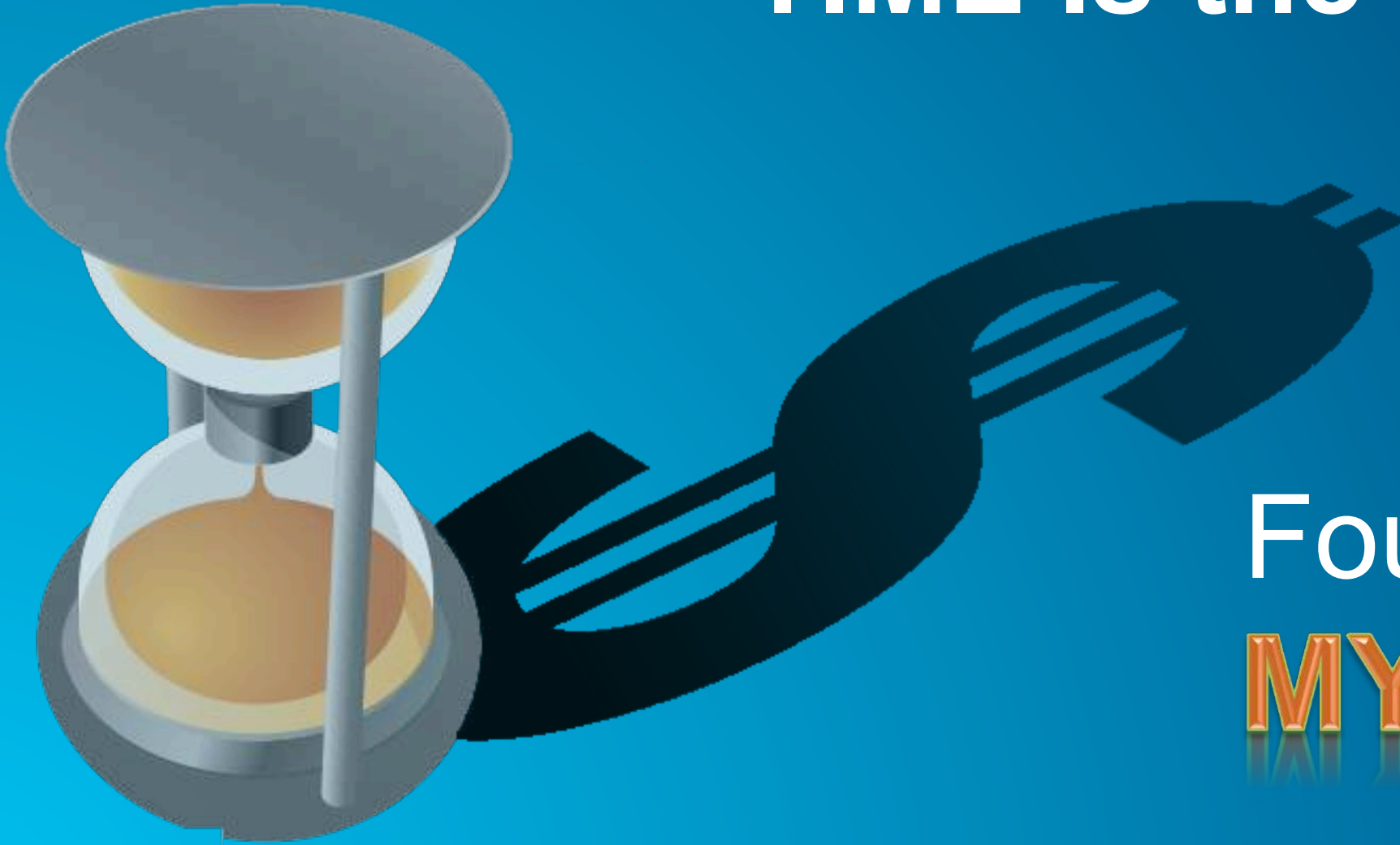
Source: NASBO Fiscal Survey of States; Fiscal 2017 figure is based on enacted budgets.

\*Aggregate revenue level would need to total \$794 billion in fiscal 2016 to be equivalent with real 2008 spending level.

# What is an Action Agenda?

- **Change the business model for Higher Education or it will not be able to compete for public support and private philanthropy when Health costs, Medicaid, K-12 education and public safety receive higher priority**
- **Public Investment should be tied to better performance, higher productivity and more accountability**
- *Colleges must accept responsibility for doing more to help students succeed, including strategies to significantly increase on-time completion.*
- *Recognize the trends in the Service Economy – Education on Demand.*

# TIME Is the ENEMY



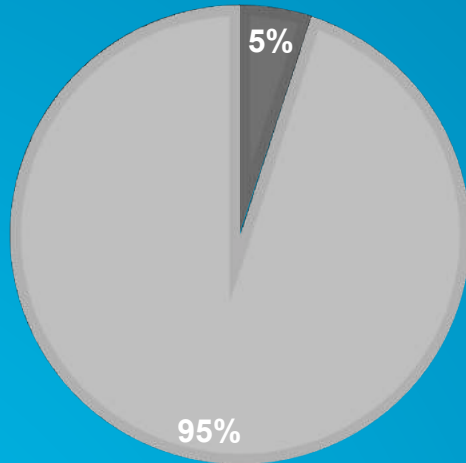
Four-Year

**MYTH**

# On-Time Graduation Rates

(Full-Time Students)

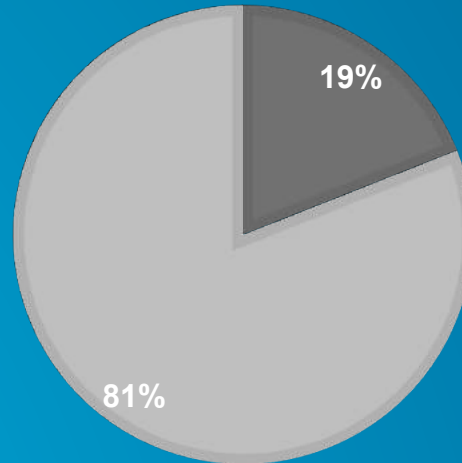
2-Year  
Associate



**5%**

ON TIME

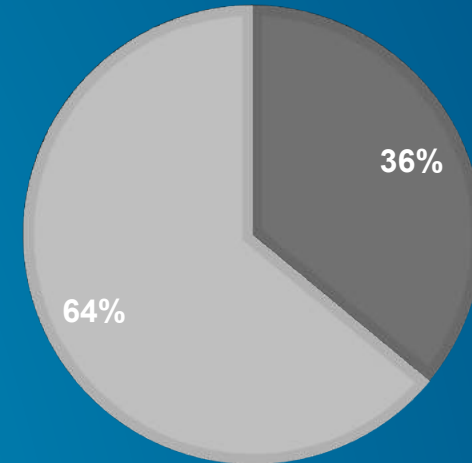
4-Year  
Bachelor's  
(non-flagship)



**19%**

ON TIME

4-Year  
Bachelor's  
(flagship/  
very high research)



**36%**

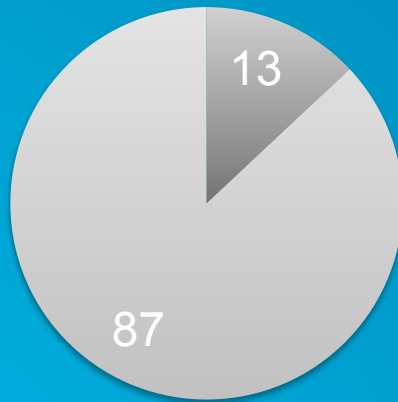
ON TIME



# 150% Graduation Rates

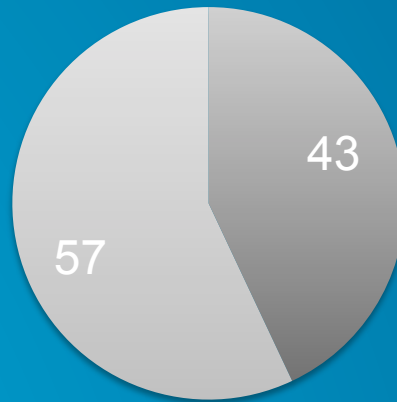
(Full-Time Students)

2-Year  
Associate



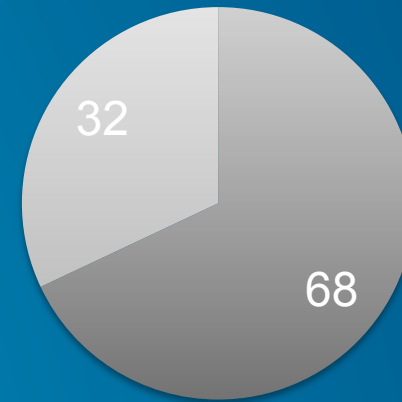
**13%**  
IN 3 YEARS

4-Year  
Bachelor's  
(non-flagship)



**43%**  
IN 6 YEARS

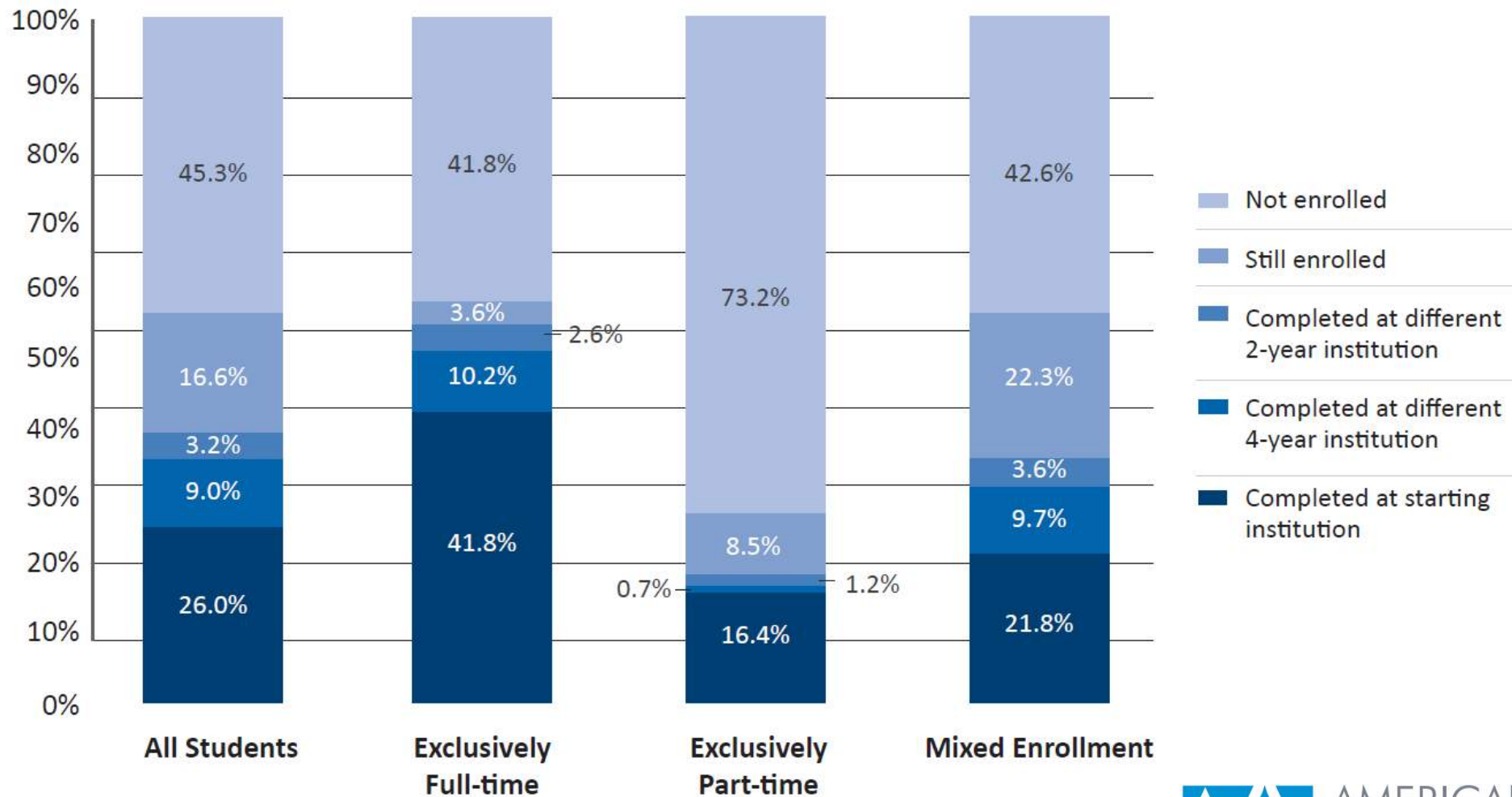
4-Year  
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**68%**  
IN 6 YEARS

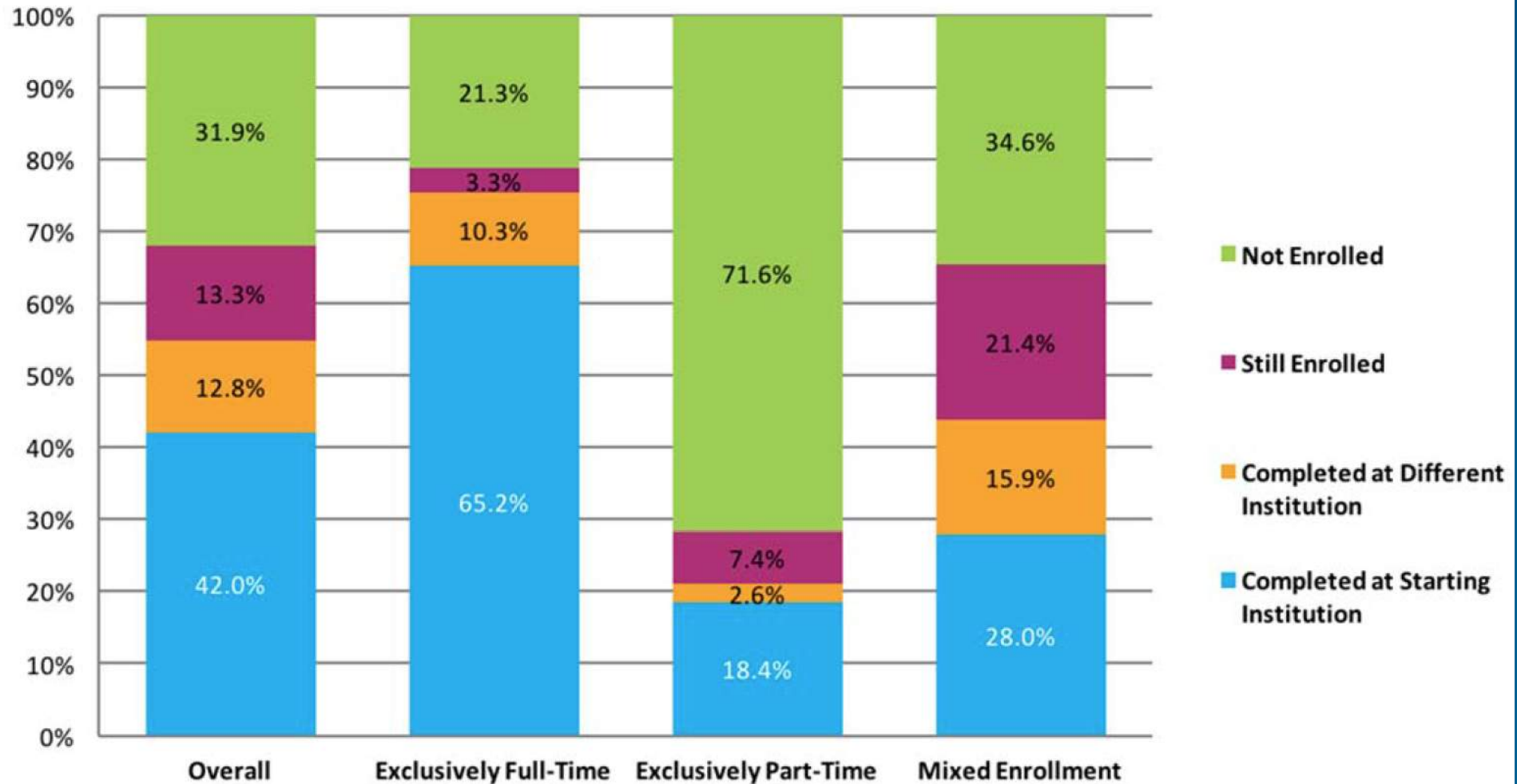
## 300% Graduation Rates – Six Years at 2-Year Public Institution

**Figure 1: Six-Year Outcomes for Students Who Started at a 2-Year Public Institution by Enrollment Intensity**

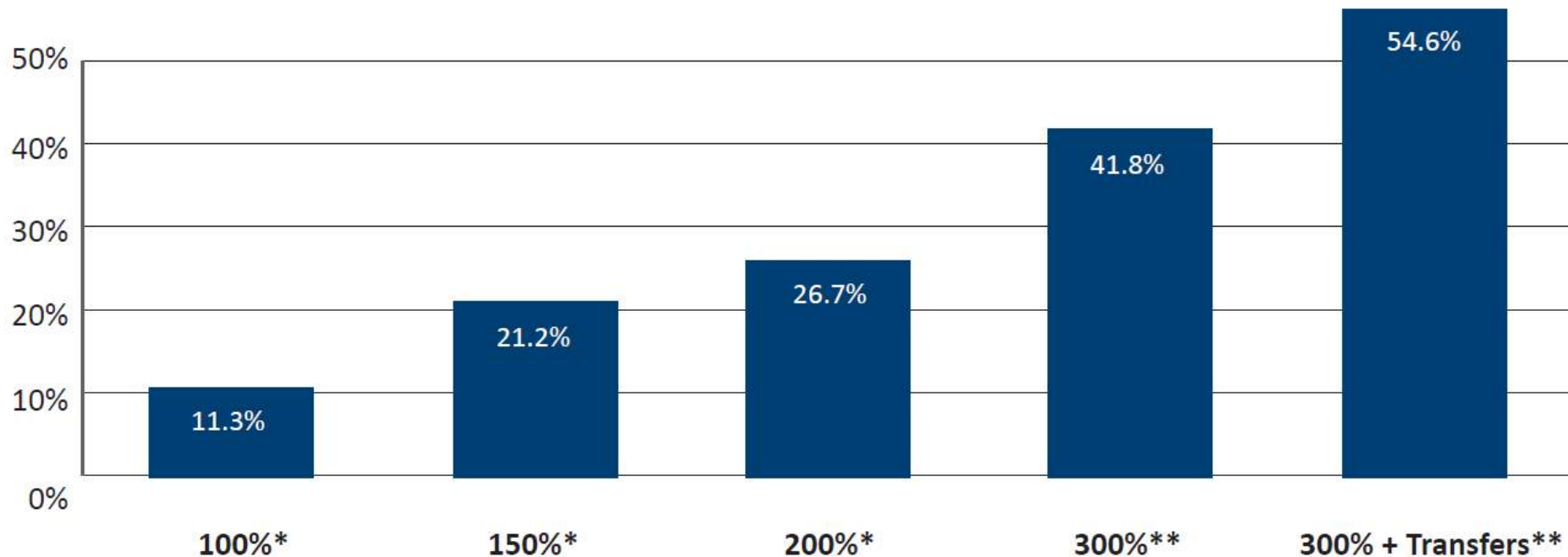


**Figure 5. Six-Year Outcomes by Enrollment Intensity (N=2,911,634)\***

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**Figure 2: Completion Rates of First-Time, Full-Time Students Who Start at 2-Year Public Institutions**



The completion rates depicted in Figure 2 are derived from two different sources but based on the same cohort of students: academic year 2009. The rates indicated by a single asterisk are from ED; the NSC is the source for the rates with two asterisks.



# 200% Graduation Rate (Part-Time Students)

2-Year  
Associate



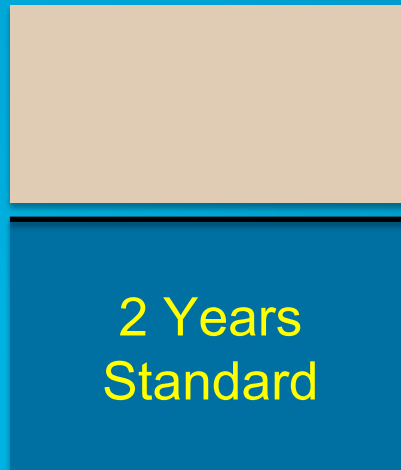
7%

IN 4 YEARS

# Time to Degree (Full-Time Students)

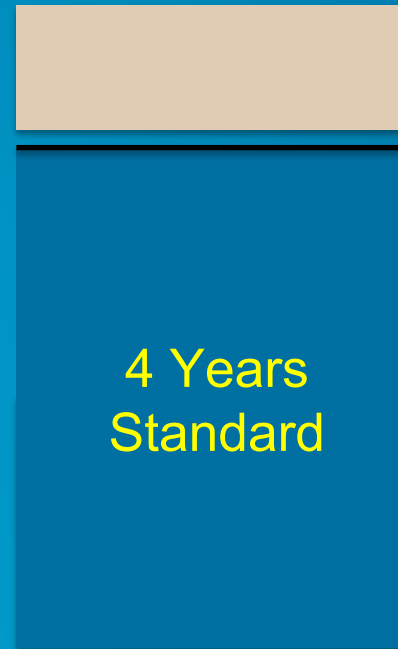
2-Year  
Associate

3.6



4-Year  
Bachelor's  
(non-flagship)

4.9



4-Year  
Bachelor's  
(flagship/  
very high research)

4.4



# Excess Credits (Full-Time Students)

2-Year  
Associate

80.9



60 Credits  
Standard

4-Year  
Bachelor's  
(non-flagship)

133.5



120 Credits  
Standard

4-Year  
Bachelor's  
(flagship/  
very high research)

134.6



120 Credits  
Standard

# Total Cost of Each Extra Year

(Full-Time Students)

College Board's *Trends in Student Pricing 2013 Report*

2-Year  
Student

**\$15,933**

in cost of attendance

**\$35,000**

in lost wages

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**\$50,933**

4-Year  
Student

**\$22,826**

in cost of attendance

**\$45,327**

in lost wages

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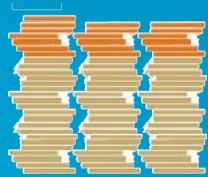
**\$68,153**



# Students are ...



Taking too much time



Taking too many credits



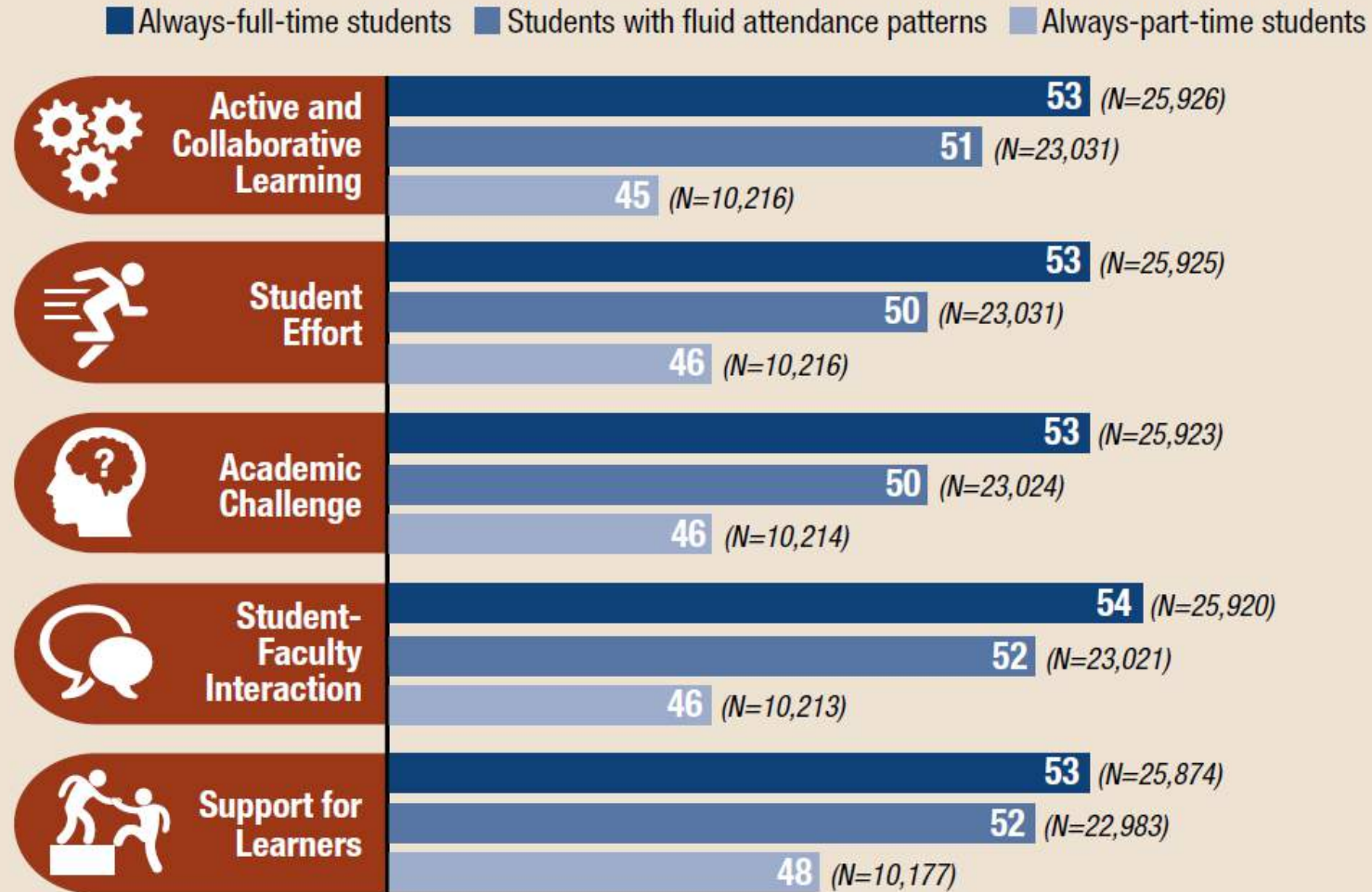
Spending too much money



Not graduating

# More Full-Time Attendance Leads to More Engagement

For every benchmark, always-full-time students are the most engaged, and always-part-time students are the least engaged. Students with fluid attendance patterns fall in between but are closer to always-full-time students.



Source: 2016 CCSSE special-focus item respondents

College Promise - Gov Geringer

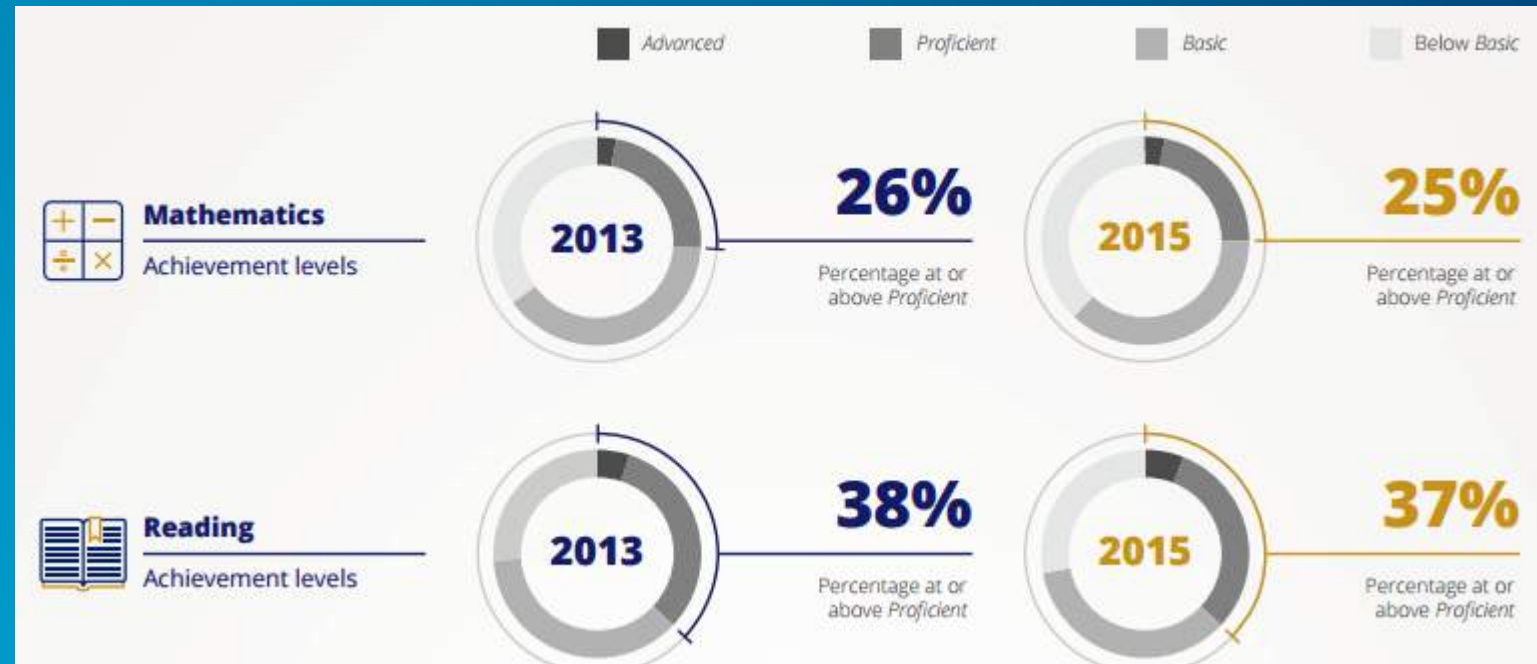
# College Readiness – National Assessment of Educational Progress



- NAEP Results released in April 2016 show that only 37% of 12<sup>th</sup> graders are college ready in Reading and only 25% in Math





([www.nagb.org](http://www.nagb.org))



Remedial Education costs \$7B per year

### What Comprises a College-Ready Curriculum?

Subject	Credits	Specific Courses
 English	4	N/A
 Math	3	Algebra II
 Science	3	Biology and Chemistry or Physics
 Social Studies	3	U.S. or World History
 Foreign Language	2	Same Language Study

### What Comprises a Career-Ready Curriculum?

Subject	Credits	Specific Courses
 Career Technical Education	3	In the Same Field

Education Trust's new report, *Meandering Toward Graduation: Transcript Outcomes of High School Graduates*, shows that too many students leave high school with a diploma in hand but no clear path forward.

The report finds that **47 percent**, or *almost half*, of American high school graduates **complete neither a college- nor career-ready** course of study — *defined here as the standard 15-course sequence required for entry at many public colleges, along with three or more credits in a broad career field such as health science or business.* It also shows that only **8 percent** of high school graduates in 2013 completed a full college- and career-prep curriculum.

**Less than one-third** of graduates completed only a **college-ready** course of study, and just **13 percent** finished a **career-ready** course sequence only.



# Strategies for Completion



- **15 to Finish** - ensure that students take the number of credits necessary each semester to graduate on time
- **Structured schedules** help working students balance jobs and school by adding needed scheduling predictability to often stressful lives.

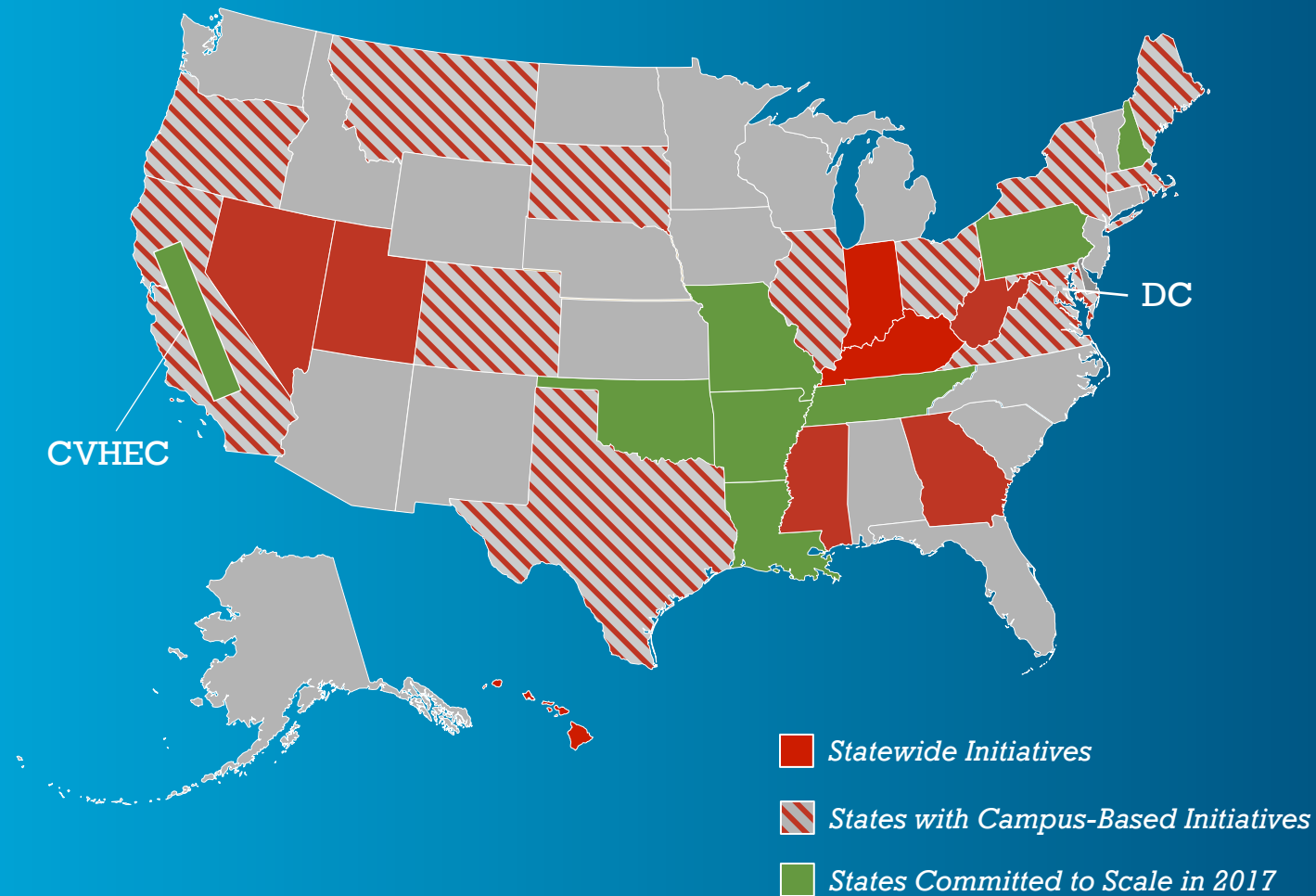
## Strategies for Completion



- **Corequisite remediation** strategies place most underprepared students directly into college-level gateway math and English courses with paired, mandatory academic support.
- **Guided Pathways to Success** so that they proceed on a degree plan consisting of sequenced courses guaranteed to be available to students when needed to stay on track.



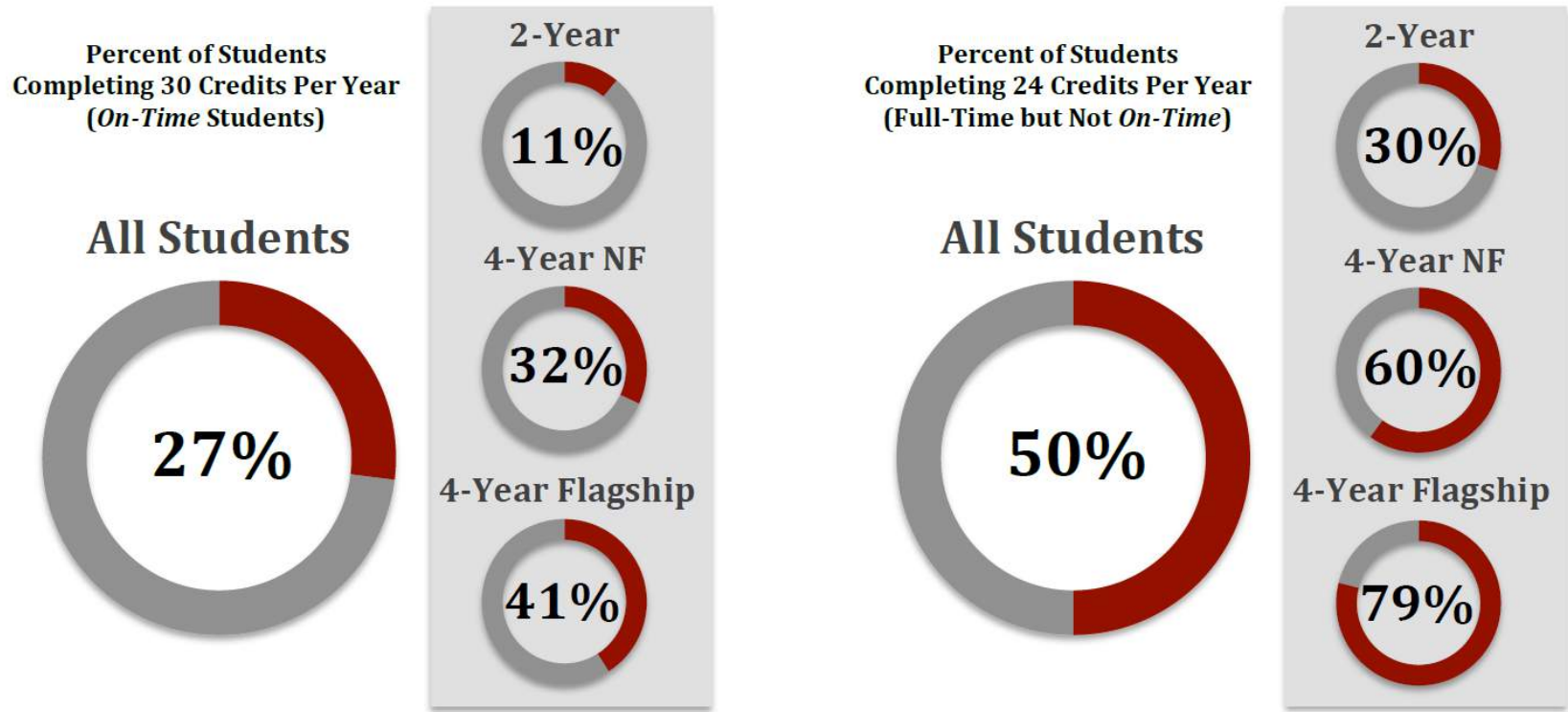
# Fifteen to Finish



# “Full-time” enrollment is not on-time enrollment

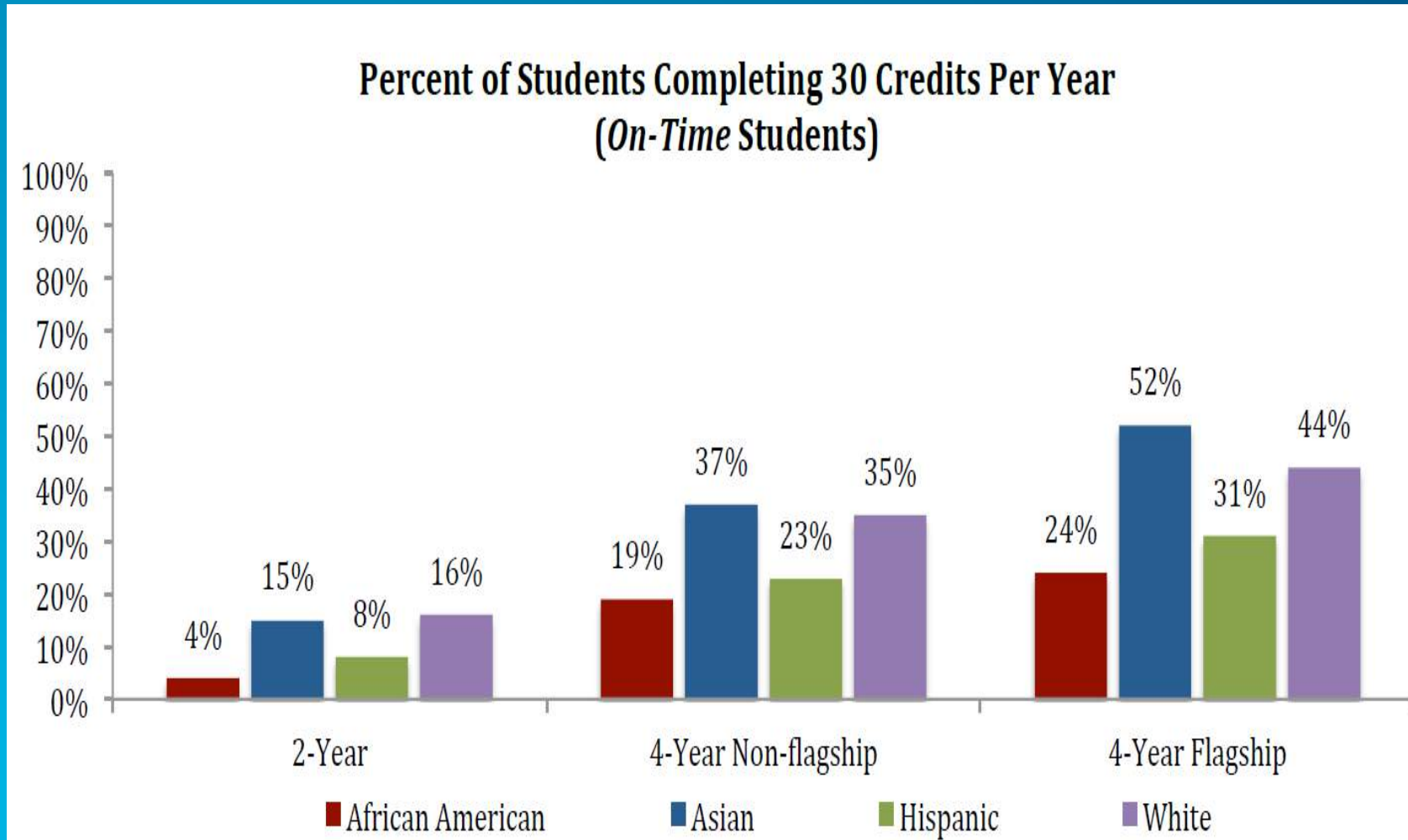
Federal Definition considers Full Time as only 12 CH/Sem

**Half of American college students need just one more course per semester to be on track for on-time graduation.**



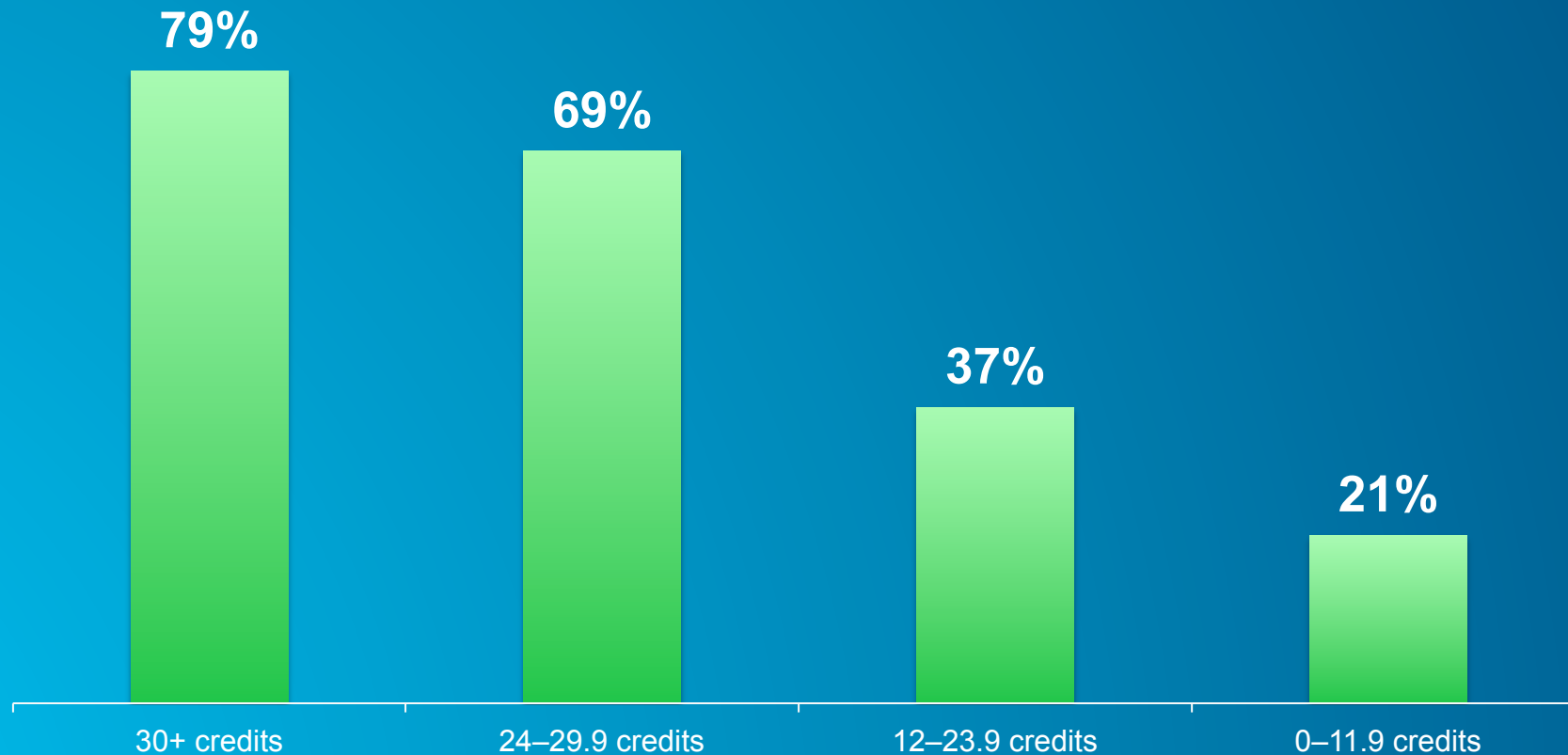


Minority students are less likely to be on track for on-time graduation.



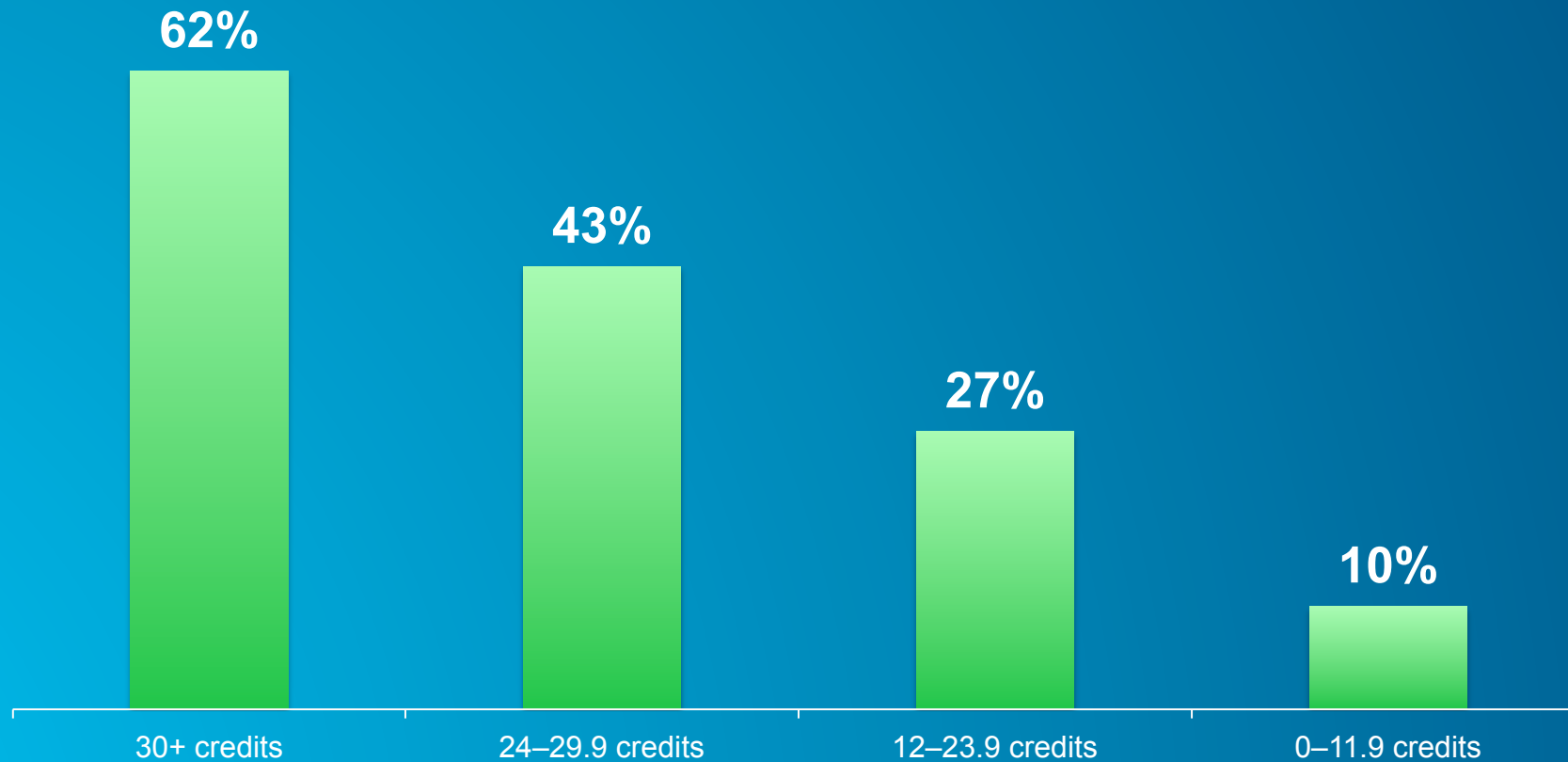
Students who complete 30+ credits in their first year are more likely to graduate.

## Bachelor's degree



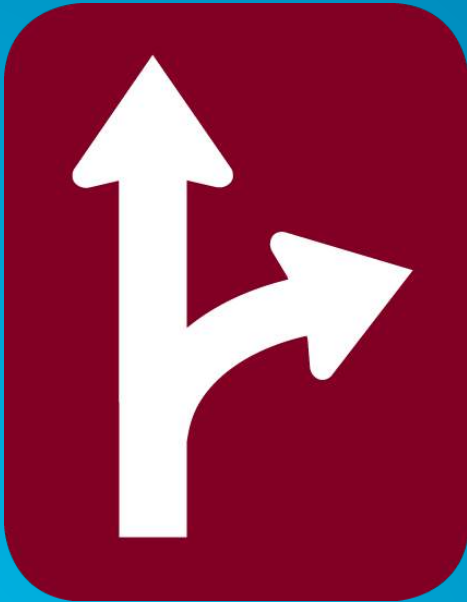
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## Associate Degrees



# Remediation

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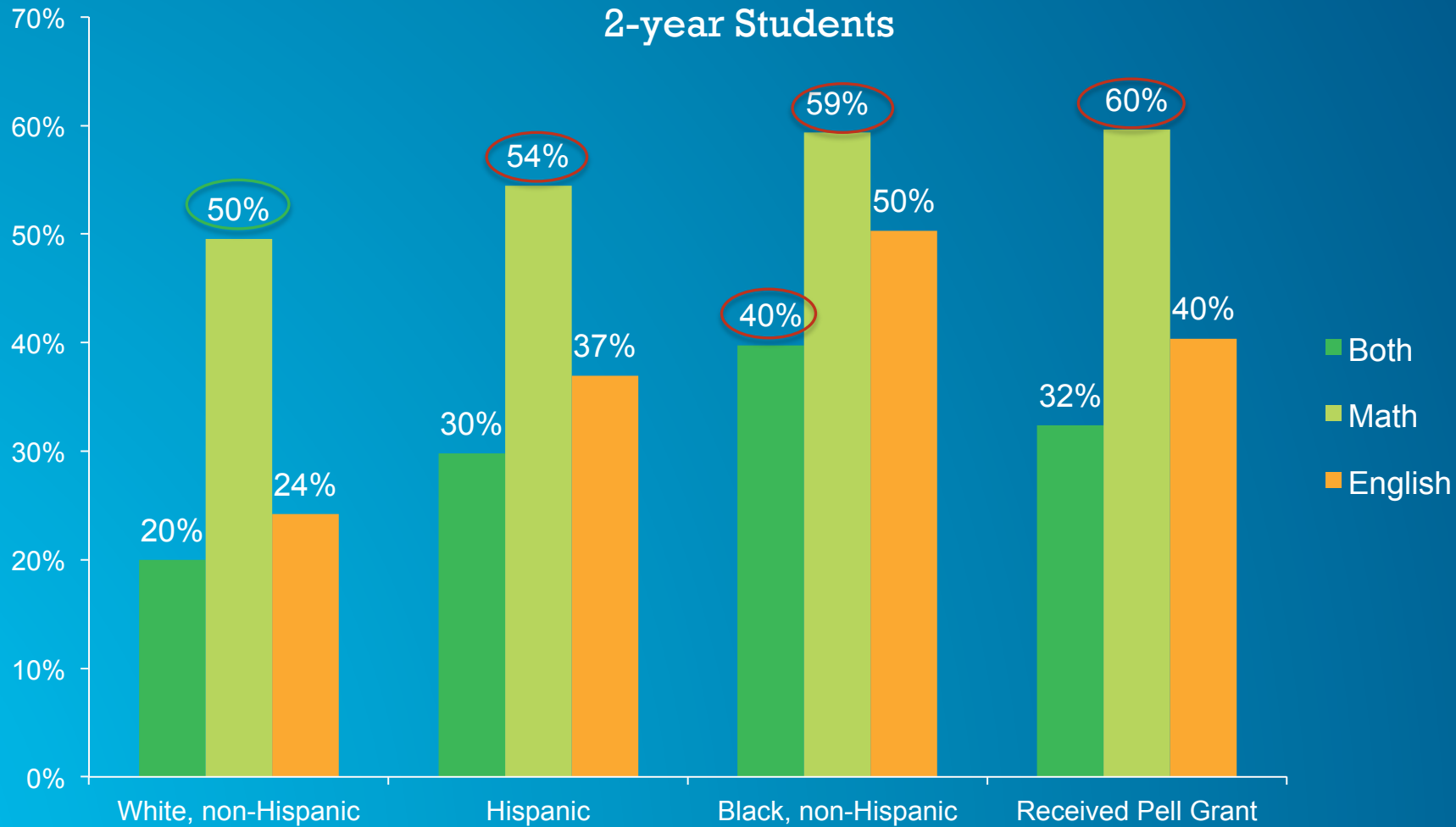
Too many students start college  
in remedial courses

**61% in 2-year institution**

**28% in 4-year, non-flagship  
institution**

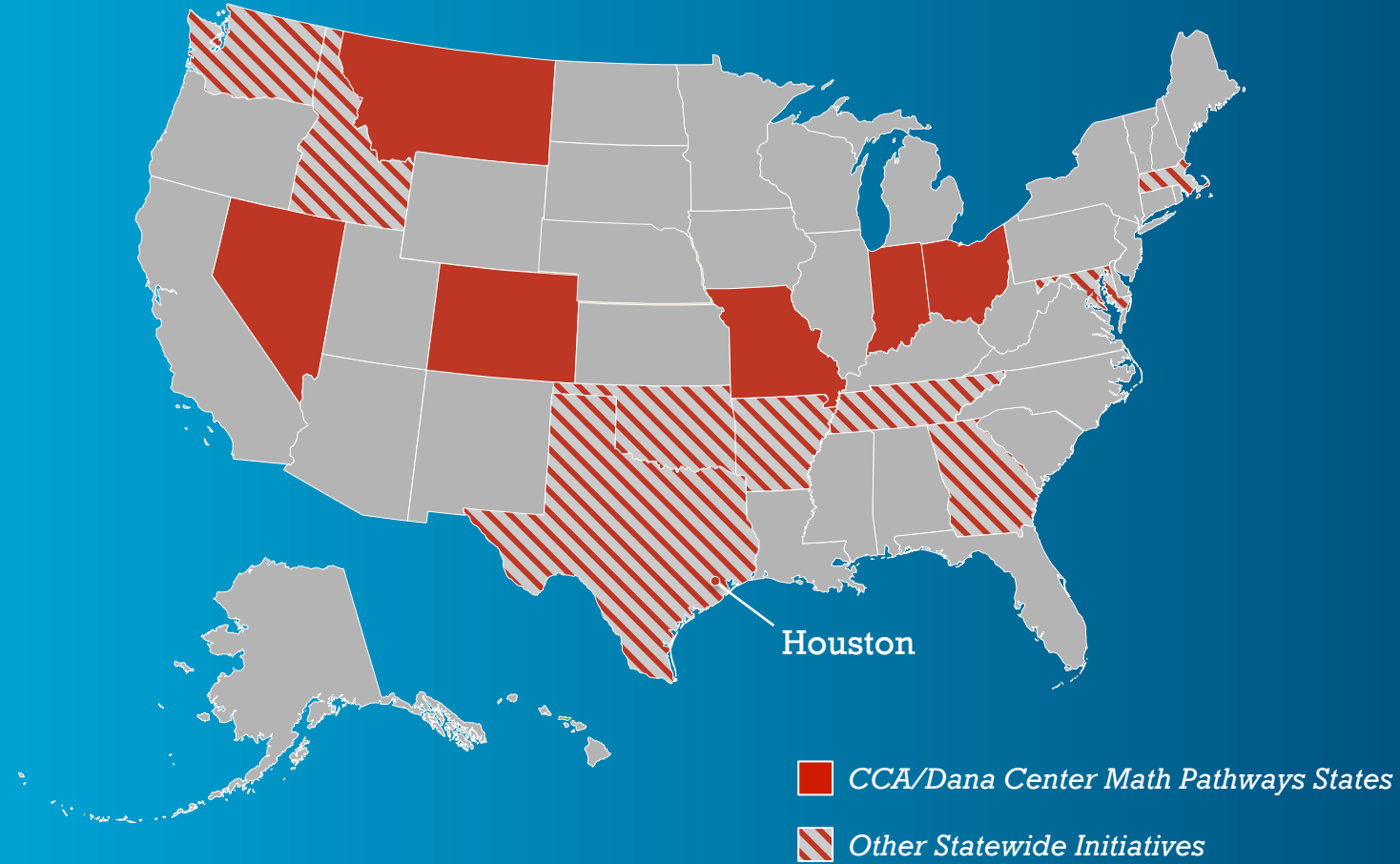


# Most are in Math – Far Too Many Require Both Math and English



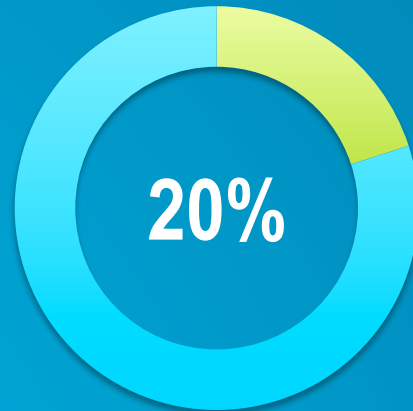


# Math Pathways

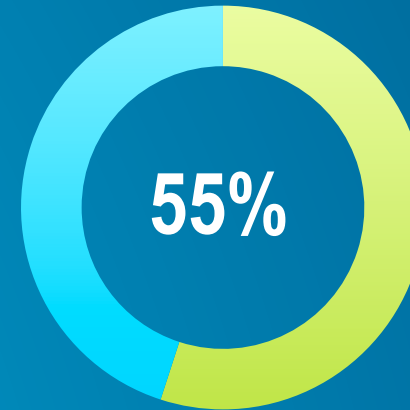


# Few Students Complete Gateway Math in First Year

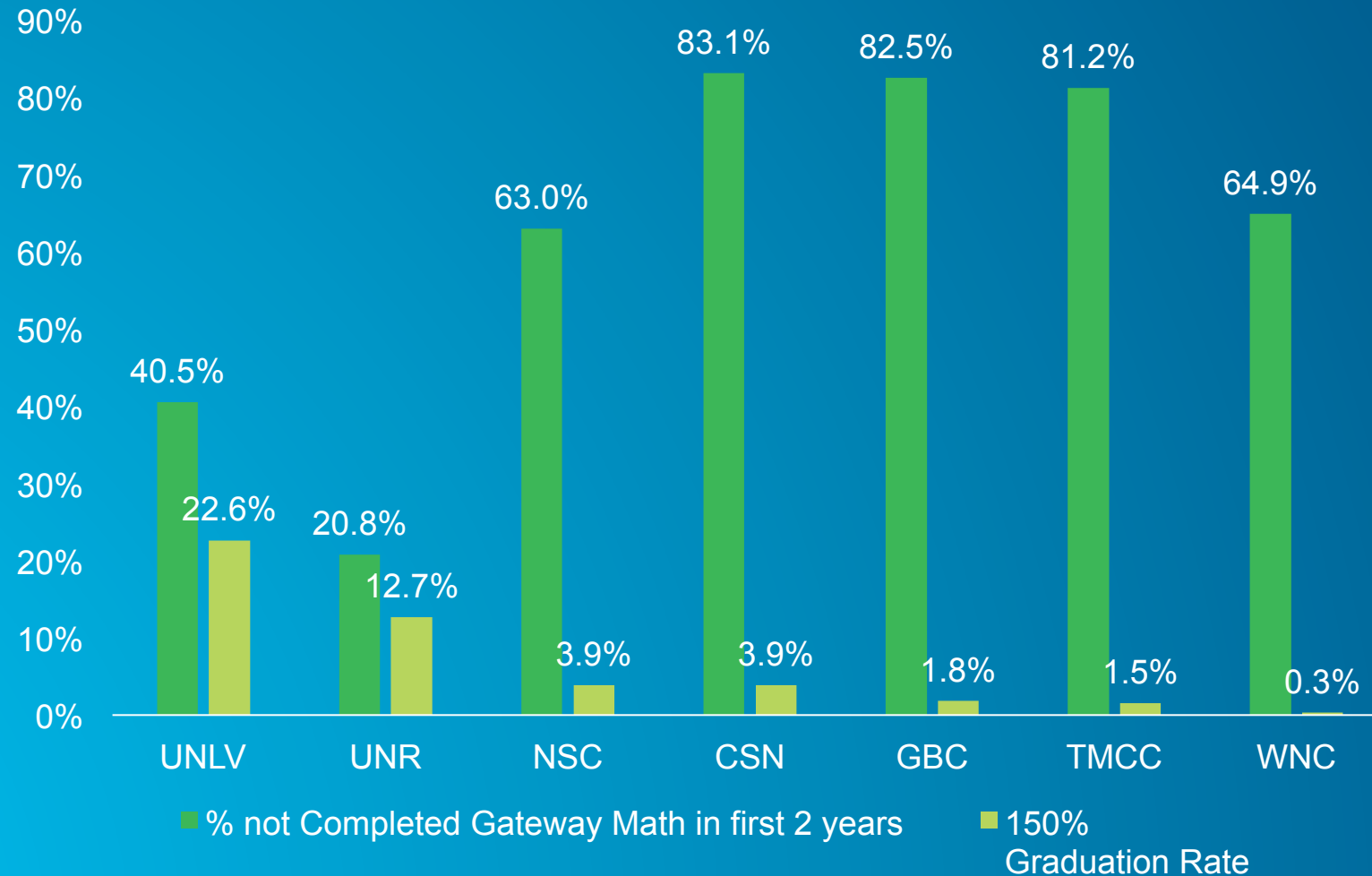
**Community College**



**Non-Flagship  
4-year**

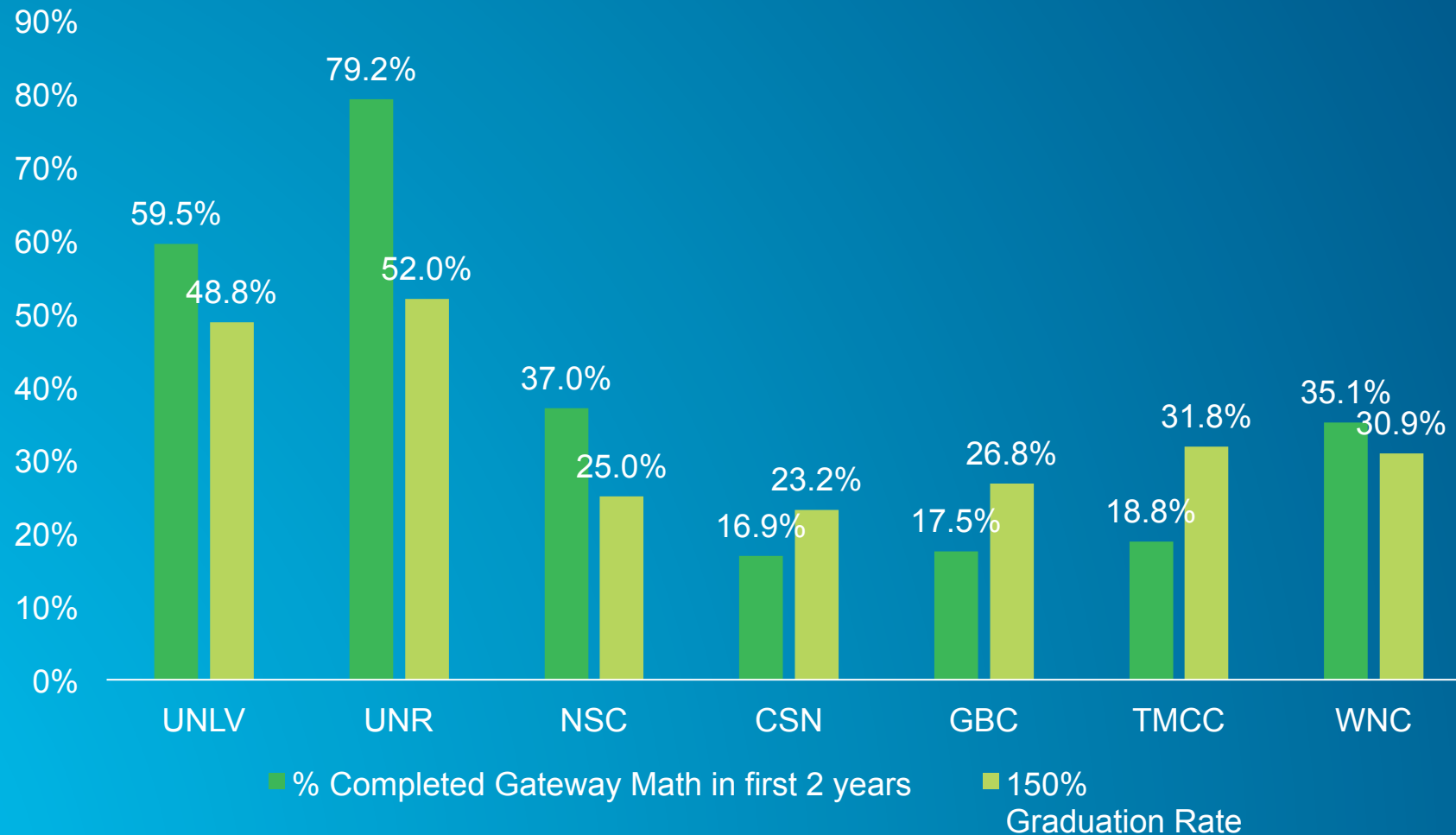


# Students Who Don't Complete Math Early, Graduate at Low Rates





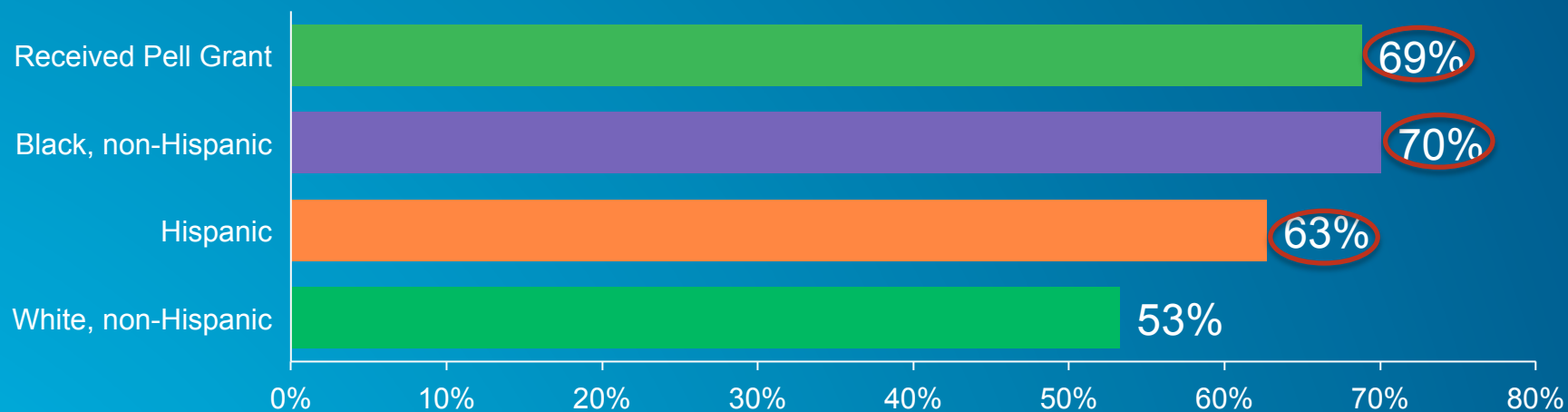
# Students Who Complete Math in First Year, Graduate at Higher Rates



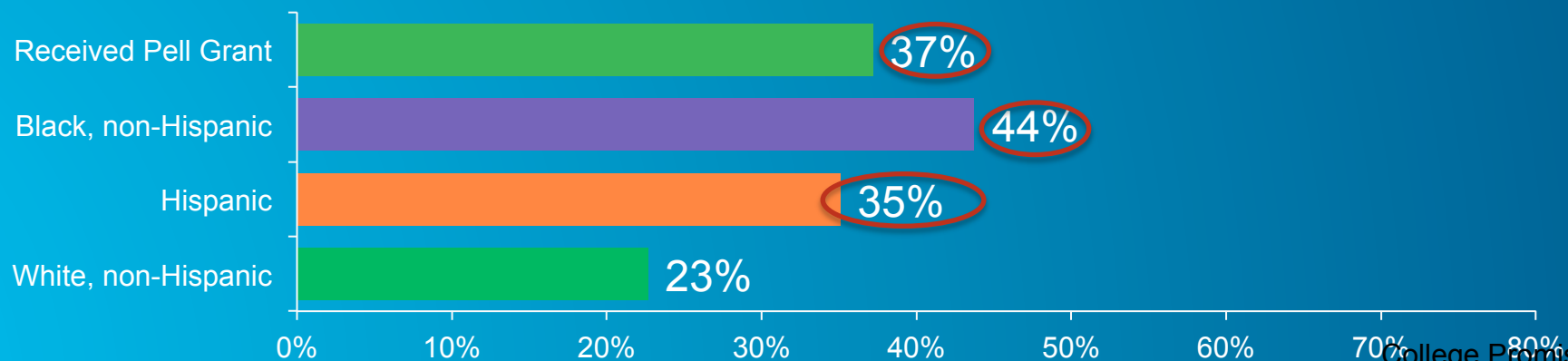


# African Americans, Hispanics and Pell Students are Over Represented

## 2-year Students

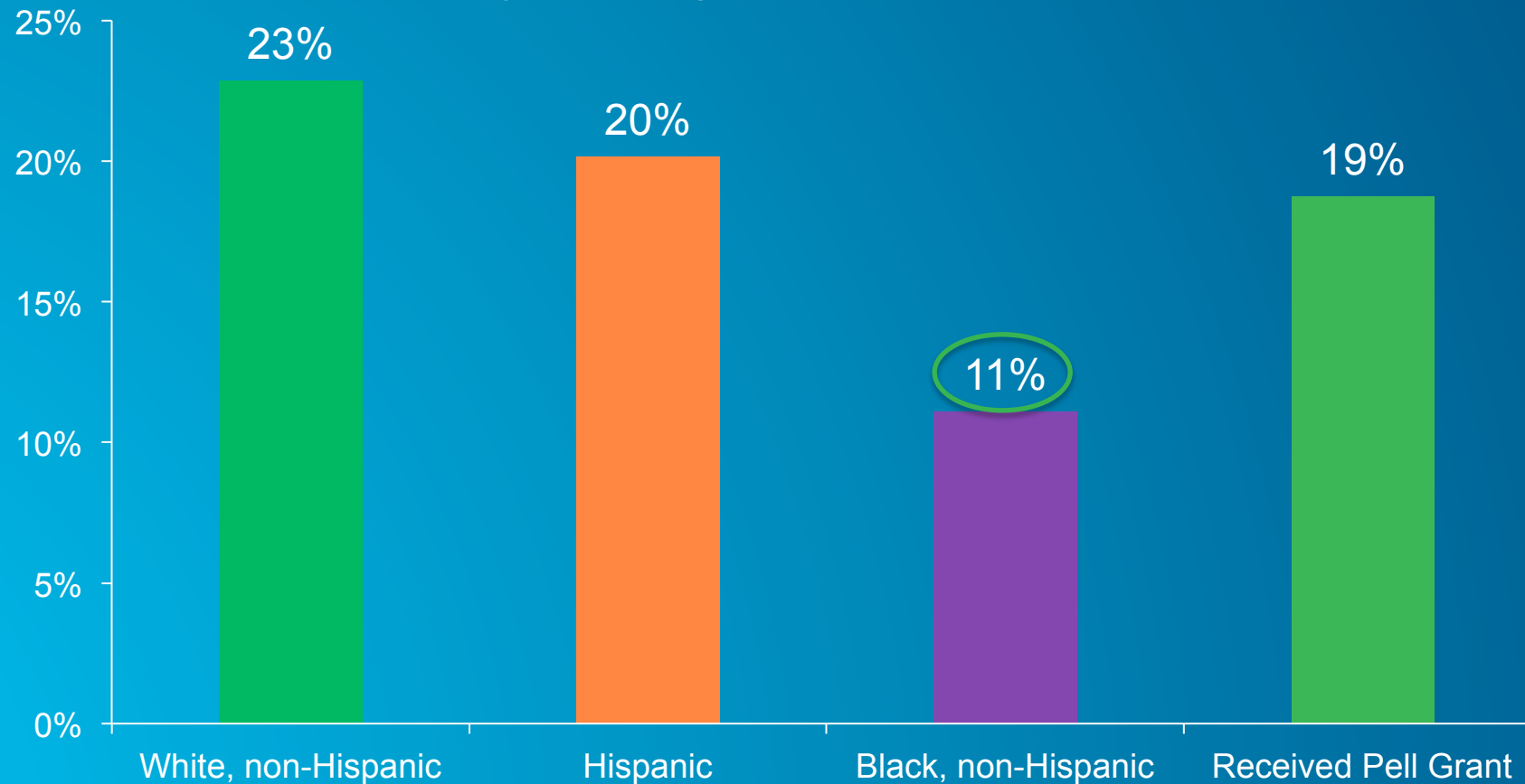


## 4-year Non-Flagship Students



# The System Does Not Work, Particularly for African Americans

Gateway Course Completion in 2 years  
2-year college remedial students

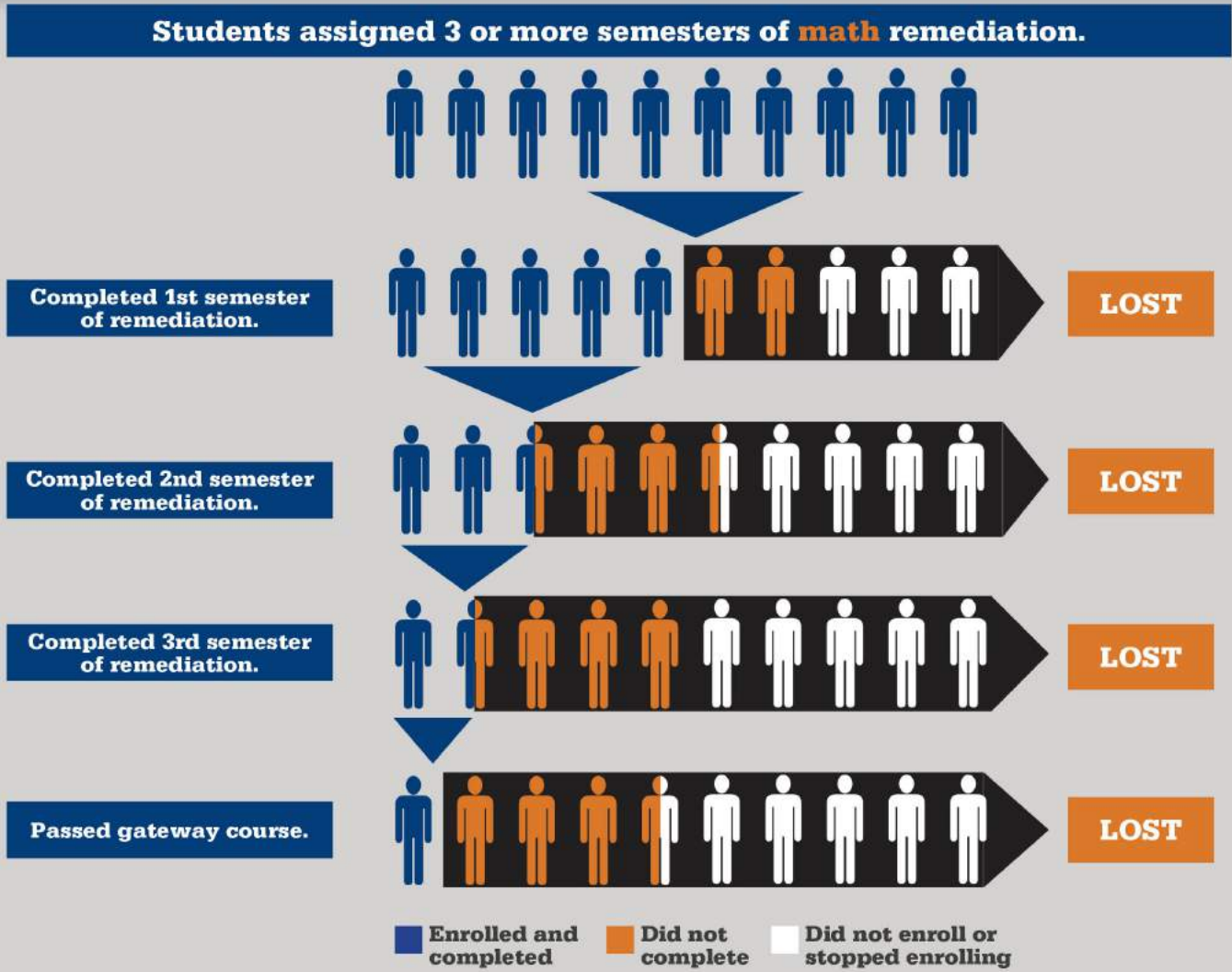






Student attrition is at  
the heart of the matter

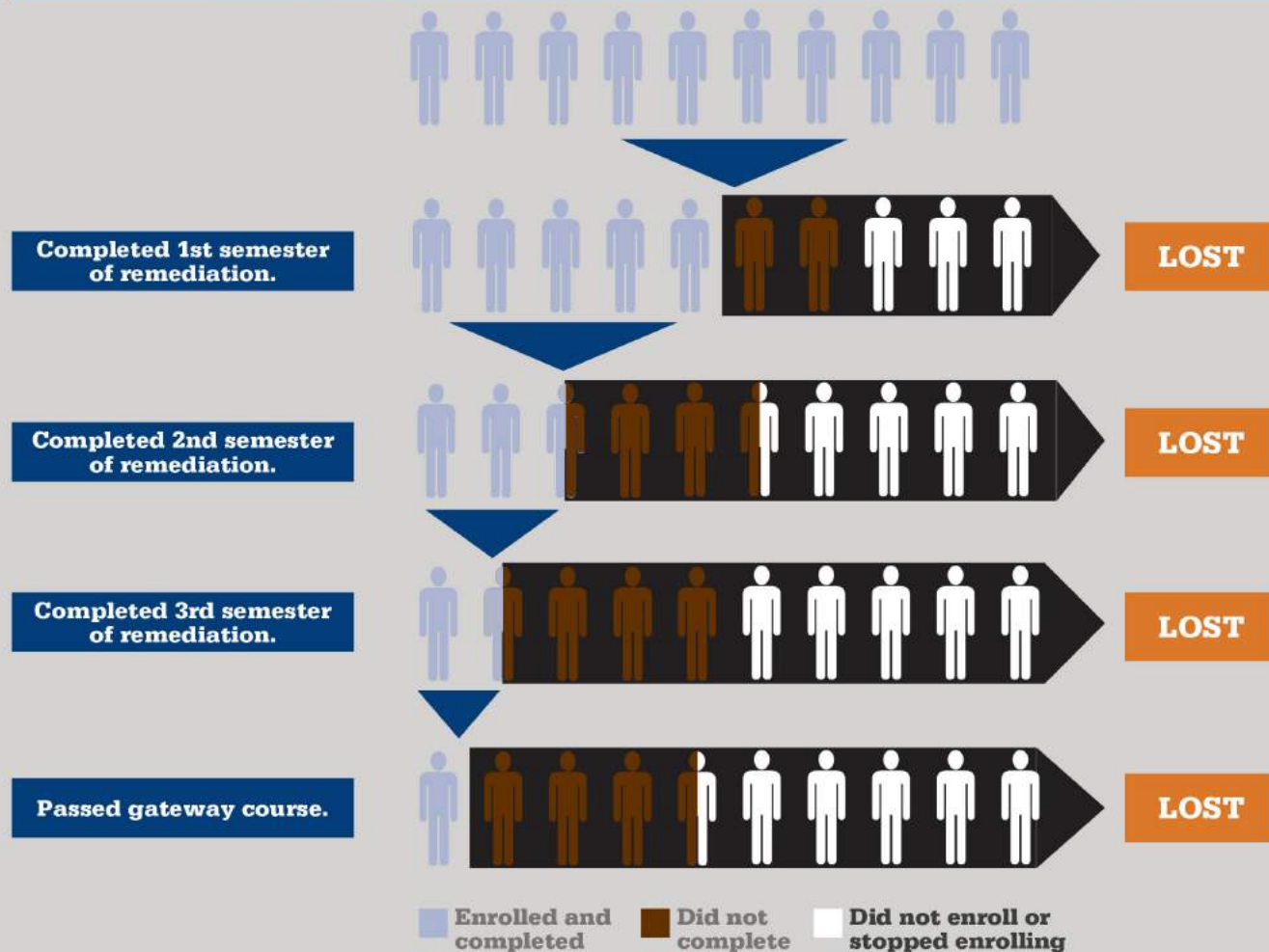
# Remediation: The effect of attrition.



**KNOW THIS** The remediation system is broken. More students quit than fail.

# Remediation: The effect of attrition.

Students assigned 3 or more semesters of **math** remediation.



**KNOW THIS**

**The remediation system is broken. More students quit than fail.**

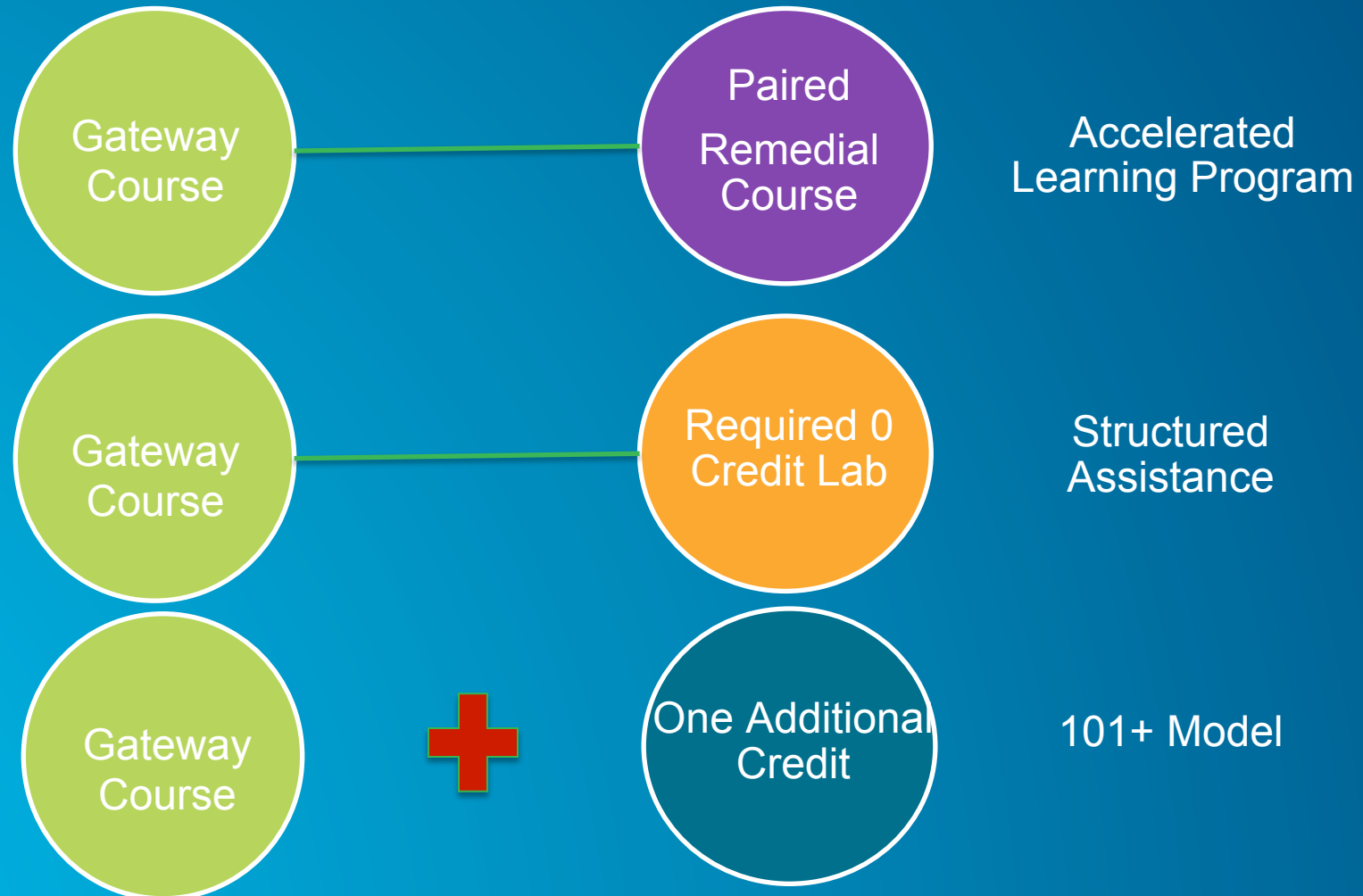
# Corequisite Remediation

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Provide academic support as a **Corequisite** rather than a separate **prerequisite** that automatically puts the student behind

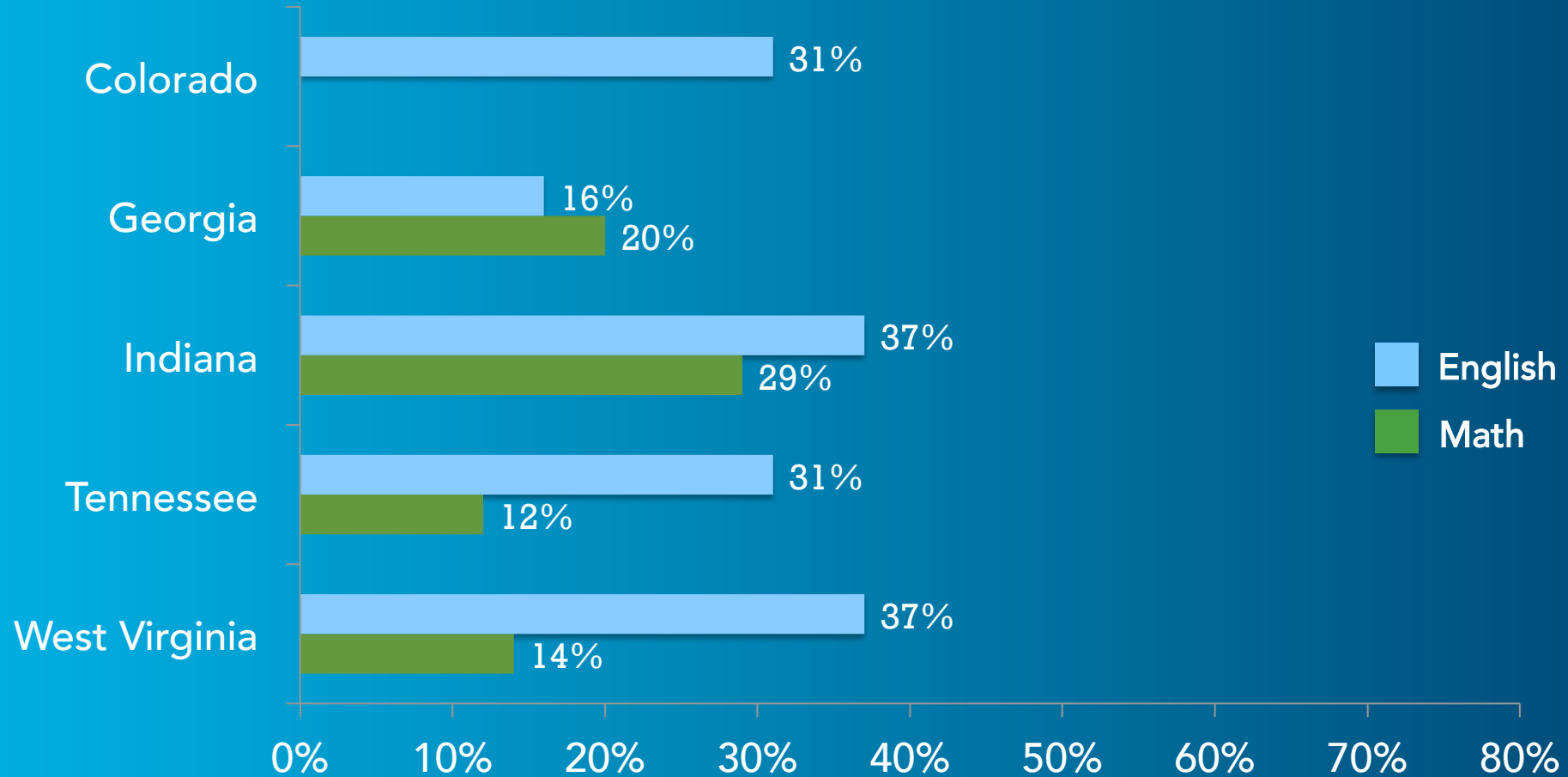


## Multiple Corequisite Models

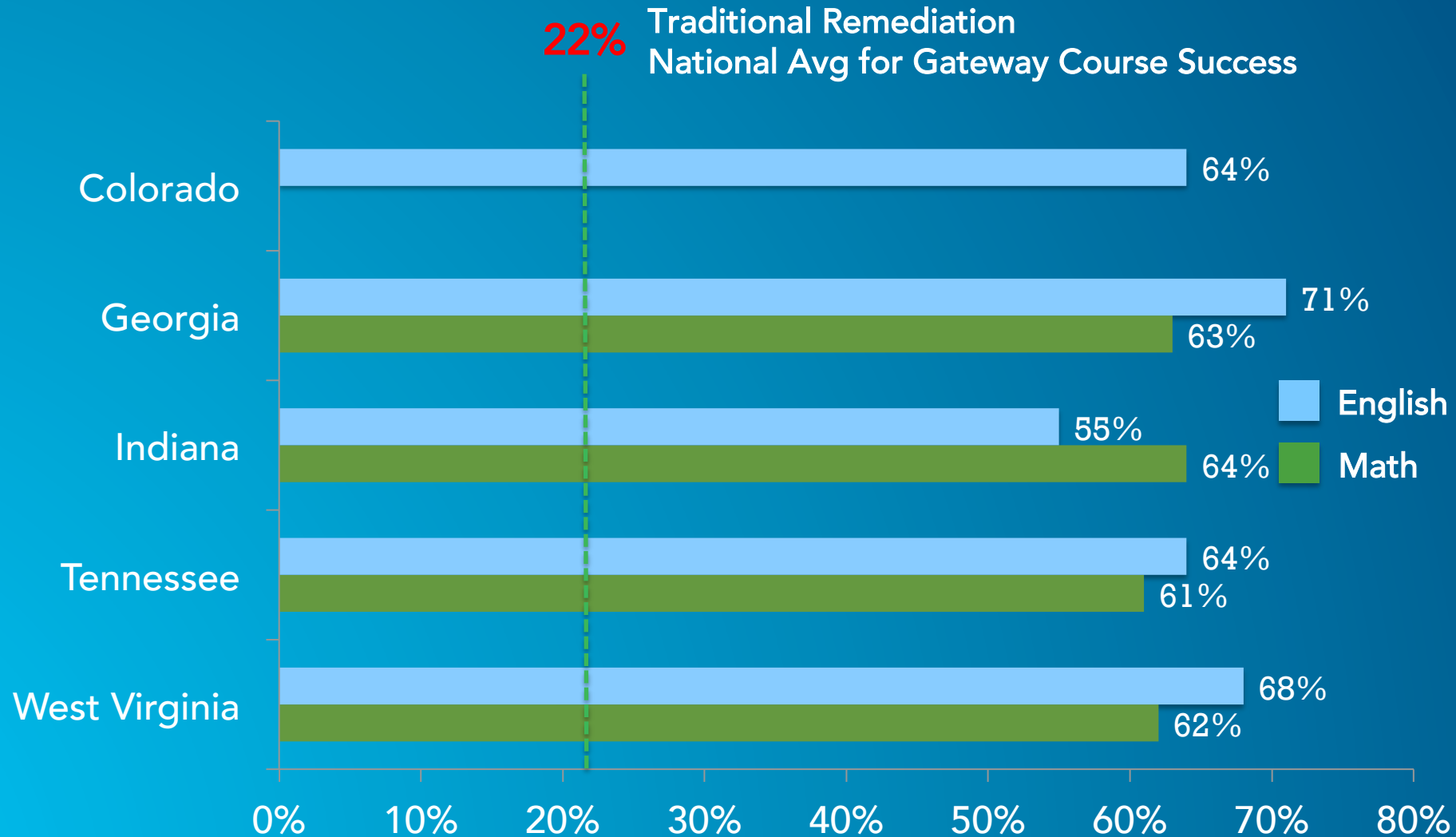


# Traditional Remediation Results

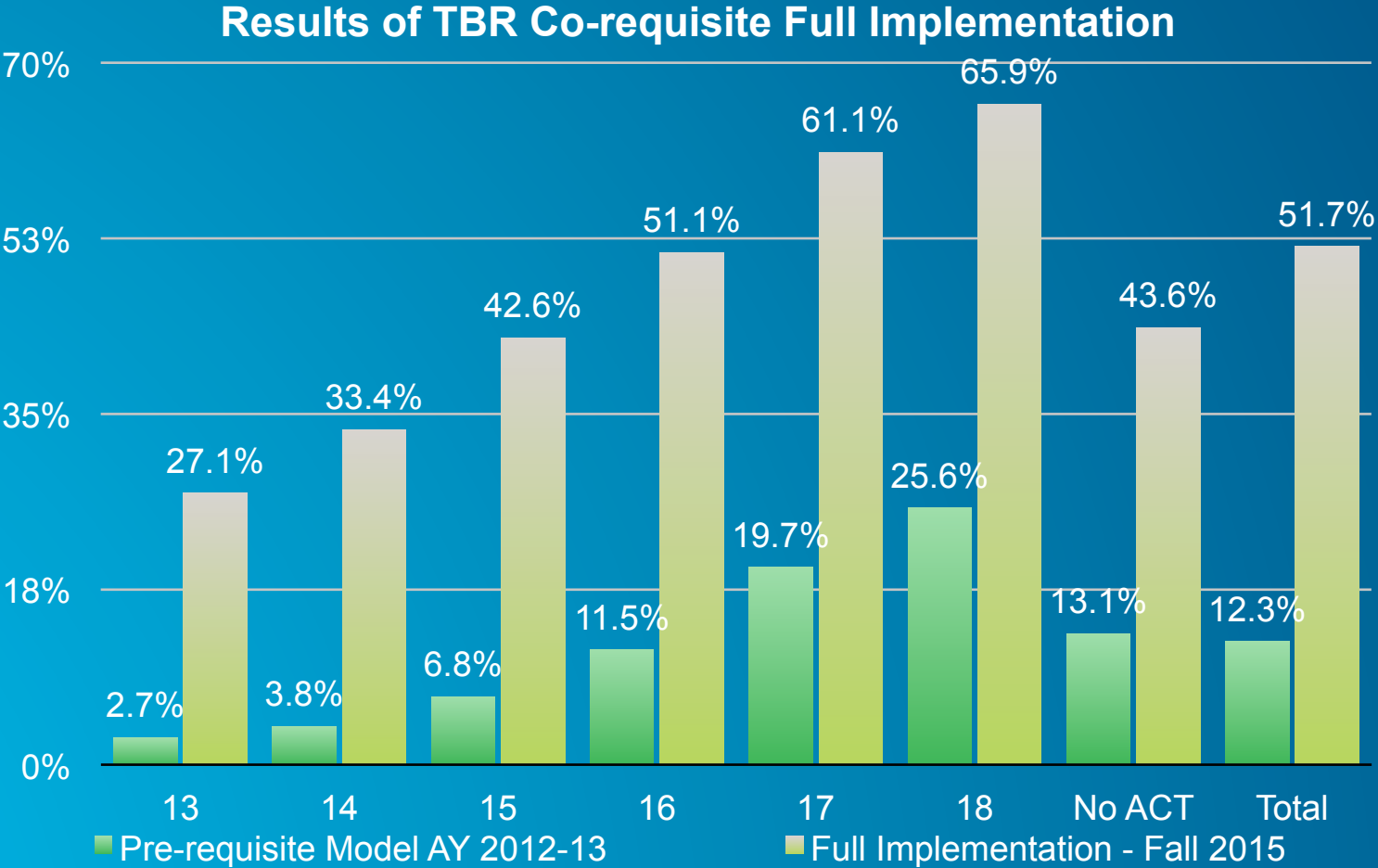
Completion of Gateway Courses Within Two Years



# One Semester Corequisite Results



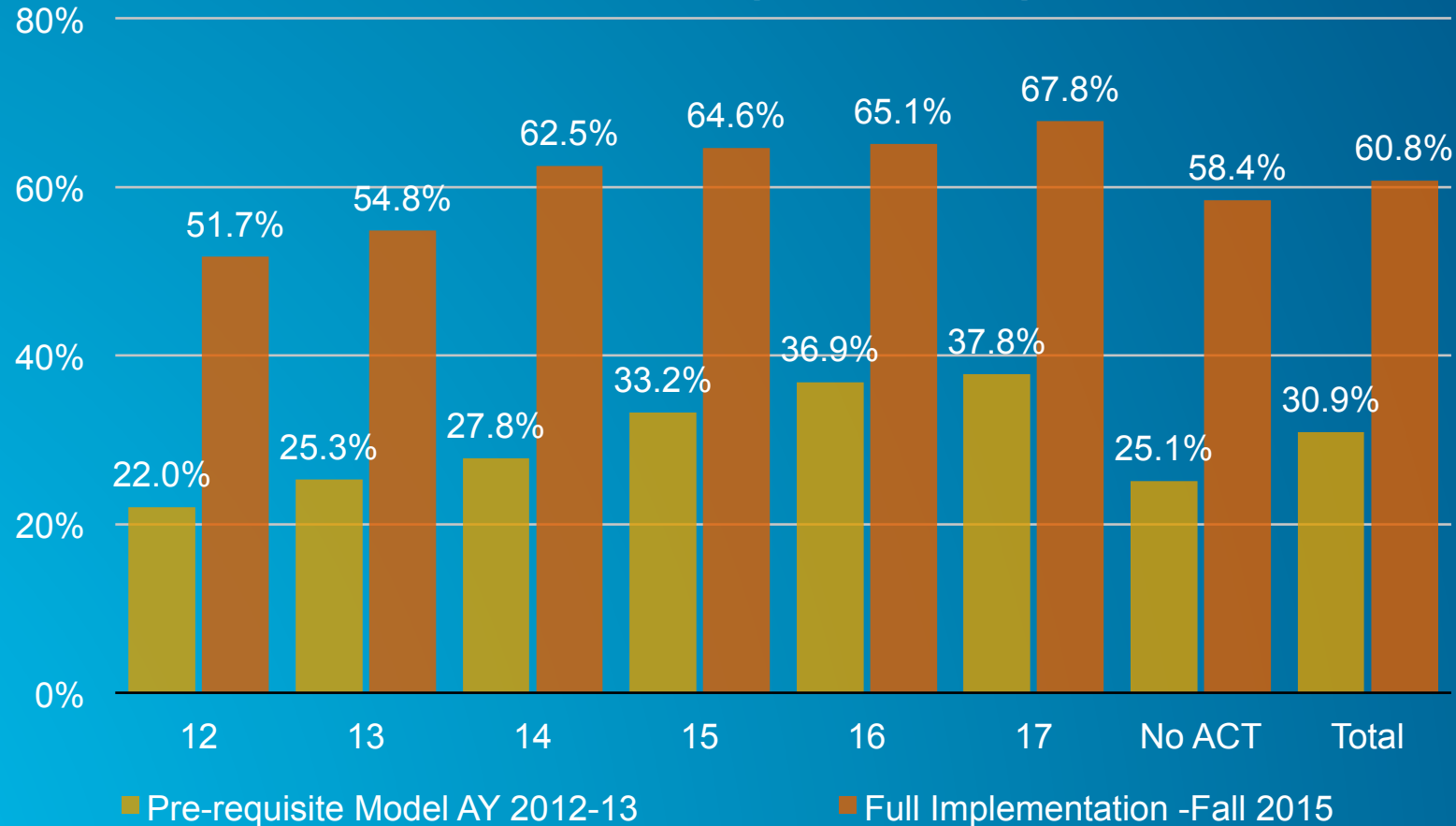
# Completion of Gateway Math by ACT Sub-score



# Completion of Gateway English by ACT Sub-score

Community College Pre-requisite Model vs. Co-requisite Model

## Results of TBR Co-requisite Full Implementation



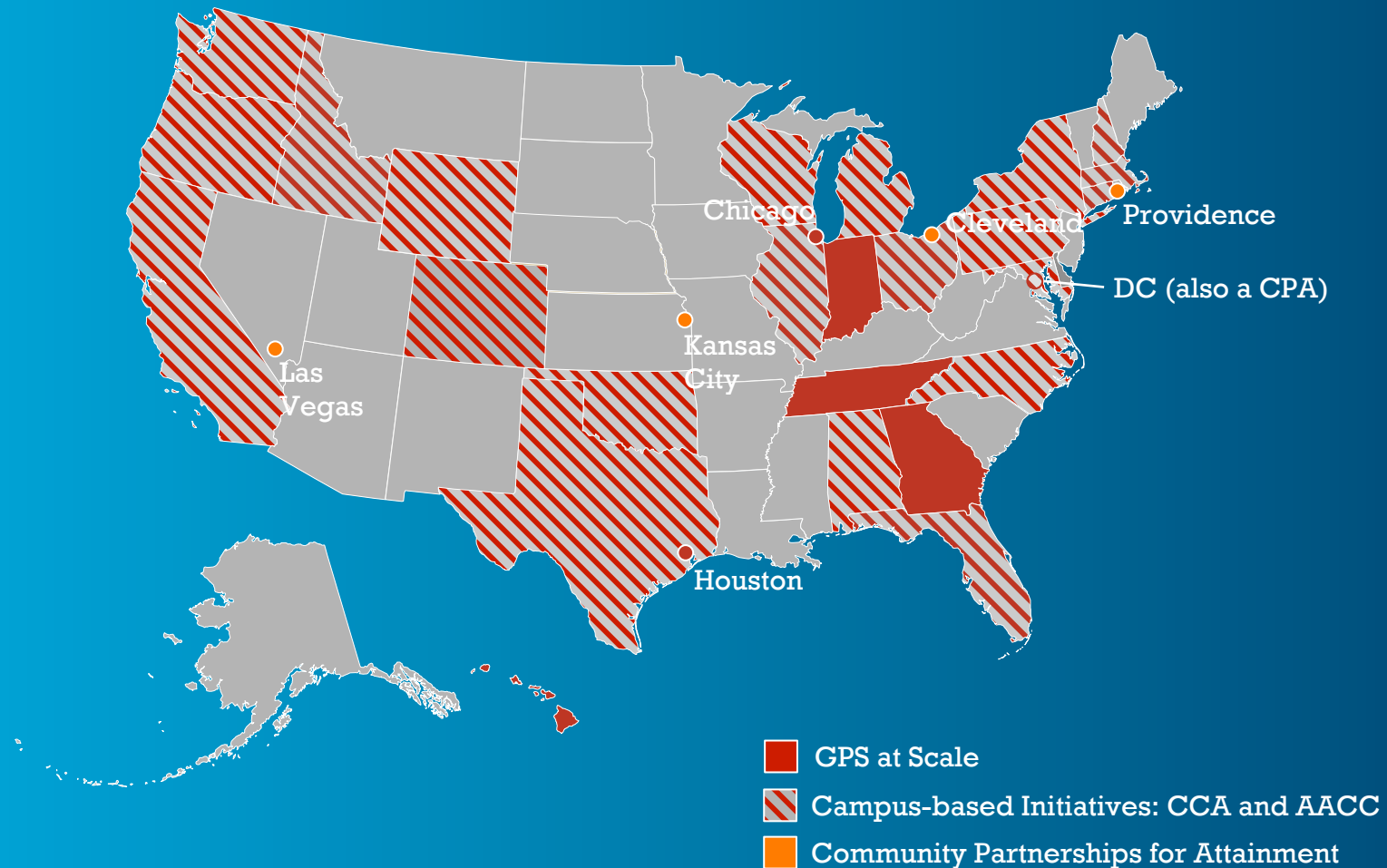
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# Guided Pathways to Success





# Guided Pathways to Success

## GPS: Essential Components



Purpose First: Informed Choice & Meta-Majors



Academic Maps w/ Critical Path Courses & Aligned Math



Default “One-Click” Registration



Proactive Advising



- **Degree maps and intrusive advising**
- Graduation rates **up 20 percentage points** in past 10 years
- Graduation rates higher for:
  - Pell students, at **52.5%**
  - African American students, at **57.4%**
  - Hispanic students students, at **66.4%**
- More bachelor's degrees to African-Americans than any other U.S. university



- Since starting **degree maps**, FSU has cut the number of students graduating with excess credits in half
- Graduation rate **increased to 74%**
  - African Americans to **77%**
  - First-generation Pell students to **72%**
  - Hispanic students to more than **70%**

## What Next?

- **How should post-secondary education be delivered, to whom, at what cost (expenses) and at what price? Is higher education on track for a financially sustainable future?**
- **Open learning, distance education, flexible learning, online learning, MOOCS, blended learning, flipped classrooms,**
- **Free Tuition – several models. Wyoming, Tennessee, Rhode Island, New York, College Promise....but DESIGN FOR COMPLETION!**
- **Private participation can show states the way**





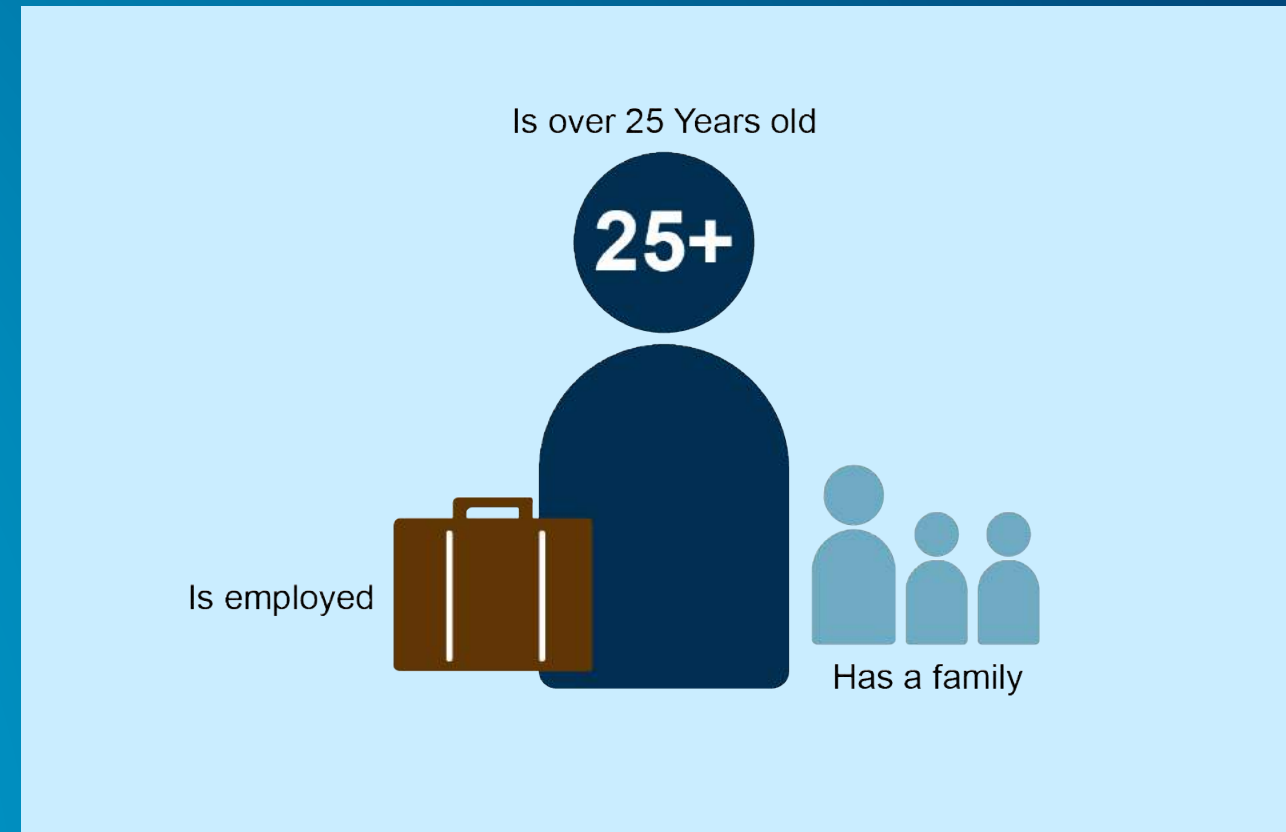
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On-Line  
COMPETENCY-BASED  
ACCREDITED  
STUDENT CENTERED  
DATA DRIVEN

# Non-traditional Student Is Now in the Majority

...with different needs

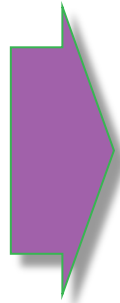
- Flexibility
- Access
- Affordability
- Recognition of knowledge and skills already acquired



# WESTERN GOVERNORS UNIV – ALTERNATIVE OPPORTUNITY

## Our Focus

- Teaching
- High-volume, high-demand degree programs
- All-you-can-learn pricing



## Low Cost

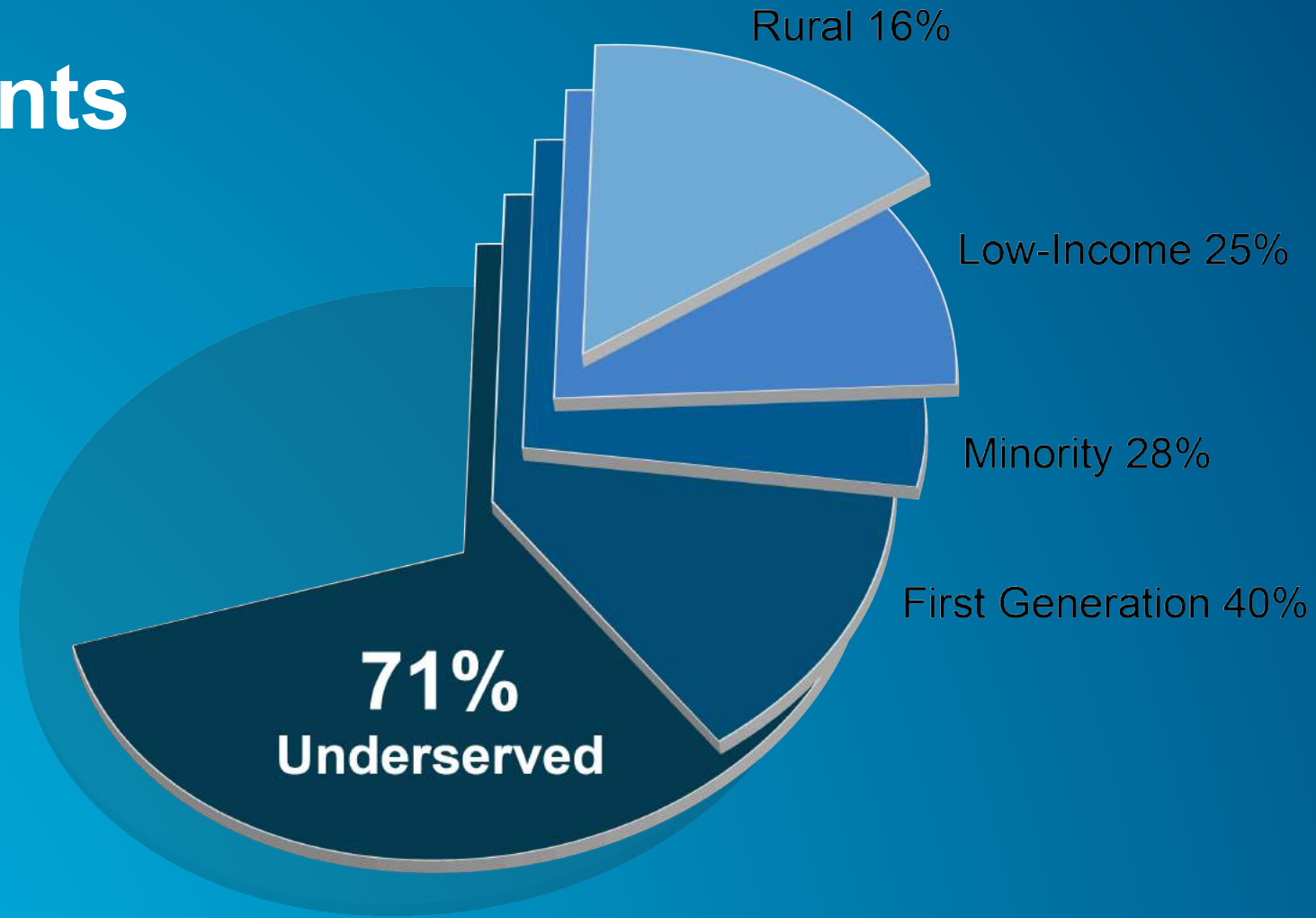
- \$6,000 / year
- No increase in 8 years
- E-books and learning resources included
- Well-Connect included



## Less Debt

- 30 months to graduation
- Responsible borrowing
- Lower debt
- Fewer defaults

# WGU Students



12% of WGU students are active military, veterans, or military families.

# Why It Works



**Learn as Fast  
as You Want**

**Lower Cost  
to Students**



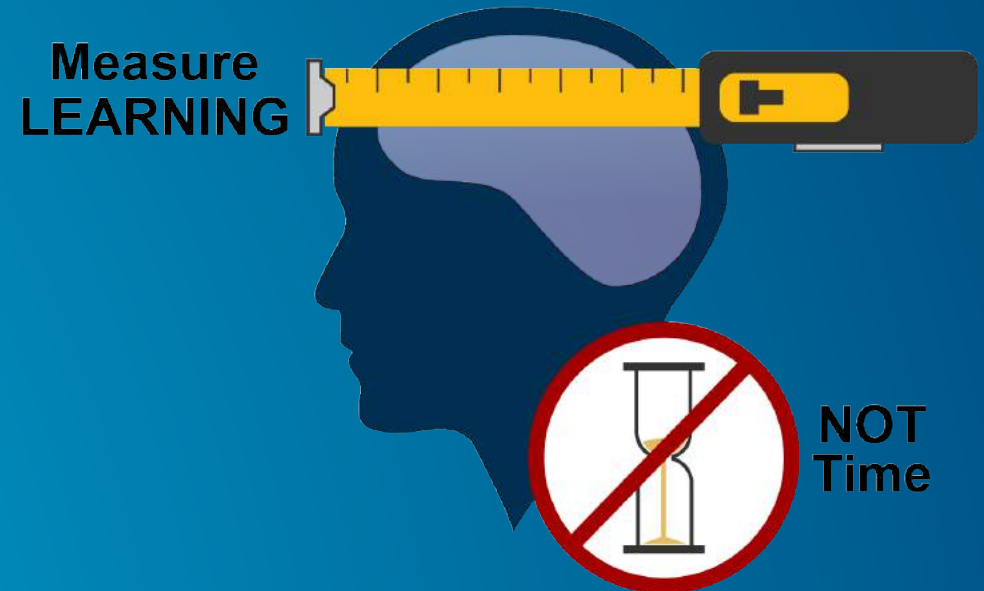
**More Student  
Support**



# Competency-based Education (CBE)

Recognizes adults have different levels of knowledge and learn at different rates.

- **Market (employer) alignment**
- **Measure learning, not time**
- **No waiting to learn**
- **Individualized support**
- **Regular, substantive progress**



**ONLINE ≠ CBE**

# Technology isn't the only game-changer

- Focus on student learning assessment and demand for ROI by students, parents, and policy makers
- “Free-range students” who attend more than one institution at a time and sequentially.
- Increasing age of college-going students
  - students who work, who have families, who care for their parents.
- Protests against student debt.



# Thanks!



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## About WGU

- Nonprofit, founded in 1997 by 19 governors
- 74,000 students today, so far 70,000 graduates in each of the 50 states
- 50+ degrees in 4 Colleges for high-demand fields:
  - Business
  - K-12 teacher education
  - IT
  - Health professions
- Competency-based, all online



**Created to expand and enhance higher education opportunities for busy and/or underserved adults.**

# How CBE Works



## Quality

- College & Program councils
- Academic & industry advisors
- Assessments designed into curriculum
- Data-driven



## Relevancy

- Aligned with demand
- Regular review by employers
- Grad surveys



## Assessment

- Objective & Performance
- Designed by experts
- Expert evaluators
- Secure, online proctoring
- Integrated field / clinical experiences



## Faculty

- Specialized roles
- One-to-one, personalized support
- Guided by real-time data
- 100% student focused



## WGU Approach: Student-Centric

**Fundamentally, a teaching institution:**

- Competency-based
- Technology-enabled
- Low cost, high value

