

2014 Cohort Graduation Rate

Since 2006, the first year the state reported a four-year cohort graduation rate, the percentage of students graduating from high school in four years or less has risen 15.5 percentage points – from 68.3 percent to 83.8 percent.

Background Information

The rules for calculating the cohort graduation rate meet federal requirements and the National Governor’s Association’s definition as “the number of graduates divided by the number of students who entered ninth grade in 2010–11, plus any incoming students and minus any students who leave North Carolina in subsequent years.”

Results of the 2013–14 cohort graduation rate results are presented online at <http://www.ncpublicschools.org/accountability/reporting/cohortgradrate>. The graduation results are available by individual school and school district (LEA). There are also links to supplementary documents that explain the calculations used for the four-year and five-year cohort graduation rates. A longitudinal cohort graduation rate spreadsheet is available since 2006, the first year the state reported a four-year cohort graduation rate to the most current results.

2014 4-Year Cohort Graduation Rate Results by Subgroup (2010–11 Entering Ninth Graders)

State of North Carolina

Subgroup	Denominator	Numerator	Percent
All Students	109,869	92,106	83.8
Male	55,933	44,874	80.2
Female	53,936	47,232	87.6
American Indian	1,629	1,292	79.3
Asian	2,732	2,497	91.4
Black	30,010	23,933	79.8
Hispanic	12,034	9,304	77.3
Two or More Races	3,819	3,157	82.7
White	59,550	51,838	87.0
Economically Disadvantaged	47,895	37,334	77.9
Limited English Proficient	2,615	1,355	51.8
Students With Disabilities	10,381	6,687	64.4
Academically Gifted	18,219	-	>95

Subgroup information is based on data collected when a student is last seen in the cohort. Table reflects data as of August 28, 2014.

**2013 4-Year Cohort Graduation Rate
Results by Subgroup
(2009–10 Entering Ninth Graders)**

Subgroup	Denominator	Numerator	Percent
All Students	109,795	90,549	82.5
Male	56,329	44,254	78.6
Female	53,466	46,295	86.6
American Indian	1,604	1,240	77.3
Asian	2,617	2,352	89.9
Black	30,764	23,846	77.5
Hispanic	11,158	8,396	75.2
Two or More Races	3,530	2,878	81.5
White	60,031	51,760	86.2
Economically Disadvantaged	47,663	36,288	76.1
Limited English Proficient	2,813	1,374	48.8
Students With Disabilities	11,251	7,006	62.3
Academically Gifted	18,087	-	>95

**2014 5-Year Cohort Graduation Rate
Results by Subgroup
(2009–10 Entering Ninth Graders)**

Subgroup	Denominator	Numerator	Percent
All Students	109,795	93,208	84.9
Male	56,329	46,035	81.7
Female	53,466	47,173	88.2
American Indian	1,604	1,283	80.0
Asian	2,617	2,419	92.4
Black	30,764	24,944	81.1
Hispanic	11,158	8,867	79.5
Two or More Races	3,530	2,971	84.2
White	60,031	52,645	87.7
Economically Disadvantaged	47,663	38,040	79.8
Limited English Proficient	2,813	1,592	56.6
Students With Disabilities	11,251	7,630	67.8
Academically Gifted	18,087	-	>95

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