

**High School Graduation Rates, College Continuation Rates, and Chance for College by State**  
**State Summaries: 1986, 1988, 1992, 1994, 1996, 1998, 2000, and 2002**

	Public HS Graduation Rates								College Continuation Rate								Chance for College by Age 19							
	1986	1988	1992	1994	1996	1998	2000	2002	1986	1988	1992	1994	1996	1998	2000	2002	1986	1988	1992	1994	1996	1998	2000	2002
Alabama	66.2	74.1	66.1	60.1	57.8	59.8	58.9	59.4	37.8	47.7	56.5	64.1	59.8	58.0	58.0	55.2	25.0	35.4	37.3	38.5	34.6	34.7	34.2	32.8
Alaska	79.3	69.8	74.1	70.8	64.7	65.0	62.3	59.3	19.9	26.7	39.5	37.4	40.5	37.2	44.3	47.4	15.8	18.6	29.3	26.5	26.2	24.2	27.6	28.1
Arizona	68.4	66.6	72.7	63.8	58.4	61.5	59.2	66.2	42.9	55.6	45.8	47.3	47.9	45.0	50.0	46.7	29.3	37.0	33.3	30.2	27.9	27.7	29.6	30.9
Arkansas	78.2	78.7	78.3	76.4	74.9	73.2	73.1	73.6	25.2	41.4	45.7	48.2	51.5	53.7	52.9	57.2	19.7	32.6	35.7	36.8	38.6	39.3	38.6	42.2
California	69.0	68.5	68.6	66.3	65.3	67.3	67.4	68.5	58.7	58.3	51.4	60.8	66.4	51.3	47.7	51.1	40.6	40.0	35.2	40.3	43.4	34.5	32.1	35.0
Colorado	76.2	76.4	75.1	74.9	71.9	71.5	70.3	70.4	11.0	44.3	51.2	51.7	56.2	54.3	52.8	57.3	8.4	33.9	38.5	38.8	37.9	38.8	37.1	40.4
Connecticut	87.1	82.2	80.4	78.9	73.5	73.4	77.0	75.6	45.8	49.2	57.1	58.6	59.7	64.9	62.2	62.3	39.9	40.4	45.9	46.2	43.9	47.6	47.8	47.1
Delaware	70.7	69.8	69.6	66.5	65.8	68.0	60.7	63.1	47.2	43.2	57.7	65.1	66.5	62.2	59.9	40.8	33.4	30.2	40.1	43.2	43.8	42.3	36.4	25.8
Florida	66.8	63.0	65.0	59.3	57.8	57.0	55.2	56.0	44.6	42.7	45.4	49.2	50.3	49.5	57.5	55.4	29.8	26.9	29.5	29.2	29.1	28.2	31.8	31.0
Georgia	64.9	63.4	63.7	59.4	55.0	51.3	52.3	53.2	42.6	47.7	55.1	59.4	55.6	60.4	60.4	59.4	27.6	30.2	35.1	35.3	30.6	30.9	31.6	31.6
Hawaii	83.2	81.7	78.1	76.1	74.8	62.0	64.1	62.8	28.0	45.8	56.1	61.7	62.0	59.6	59.8	49.8	23.3	37.4	43.8	46.9	46.4	37.0	38.4	31.3
Idaho	79.9	76.8	81.1	79.7	79.6	78.5	76.9	78.3	43.3	32.3	49.0	48.0	46.2	47.3	44.8	44.9	34.6	24.8	39.7	38.3	36.7	37.1	34.4	35.2
Illinois	77.9	78.2	78.6	77.2	76.2	76.9	70.9	72.5	42.0	53.1	62.1	63.6	63.9	62.7	59.8	57.4	32.7	41.5	48.8	49.1	48.7	48.3	42.4	41.6
Indiana	76.2	78.1	76.0	71.3	70.1	70.8	67.7	67.8	37.5	44.8	50.5	55.0	57.9	60.5	60.0	62.4	28.6	35.0	38.4	39.2	40.6	42.9	40.6	42.3
Iowa	87.3	86.9	87.6	87.0	85.3	88.7	79.8	79.6	50.2	57.5	61.8	64.1	63.8	60.2	64.5	64.3	43.9	50.0	54.1	55.7	54.4	53.4	51.5	51.2
Kansas	84.6	82.7	80.5	79.0	75.8	73.3	73.8	74.5	47.0	52.8	57.3	57.2	61.6	60.9	67.5	54.6	39.8	43.6	46.2	45.2	46.7	44.6	49.8	40.7
Kentucky	68.9	69.1	69.8	75.5	68.1	66.8	64.7	61.4	39.4	52.8	48.9	49.4	52.9	54.7	58.7	62.4	27.1	36.5	34.2	37.3	36.0	36.6	37.9	38.3
Louisiana	61.7	61.6	52.9	58.5	57.9	55.4	54.9	57.8	42.5	41.3	54.2	53.4	54.2	63.0	59.2	57.6	26.2	25.4	28.7	31.2	31.4	34.9	32.5	33.3
Maine	76.1	77.7	81.1	74.0	72.4	78.5	75.7	75.0	23.5	22.2	48.6	50.4	53.9	55.3	54.3	51.3	17.9	17.3	39.4	37.3	39.1	43.4	41.1	38.5
Maryland	78.0	76.1	76.1	74.7	73.9	70.6	71.2	72.4	40.9	46.4	55.9	55.2	58.2	57.6	54.7	56.5	31.8	35.3	42.6	41.2	43.0	40.7	39.0	40.9
Massachusetts	74.7	74.3	79.1	78.0	75.8	75.6	74.8	74.4	50.4	51.3	59.0	65.4	70.8	71.5	69.0	65.1	37.7	38.2	46.7	51.0	53.7	54.1	51.6	48.5
Michigan	74.3	72.9	70.9	70.0	69.6	72.2	67.3	74.6	43.2	48.8	57.5	60.1	58.6	57.9	58.7	51.1	32.1	35.6	40.8	42.1	40.8	41.9	39.5	38.1
Minnesota	88.7	89.5	89.2	87.9	85.3	83.6	83.7	84.7	42.4	49.6	53.6	52.6	53.9	49.1	63.9	62.9	37.6	44.4	47.8	46.2	45.9	41.0	53.4	53.3
Mississippi	63.6	67.5	62.1	62.4	56.8	56.4	53.5	56.0	40.8	48.2	61.9	68.6	63.5	49.7	63.4	65.1	26.0	32.6	38.4	42.8	36.0	33.7	33.9	36.5
Missouri	76.6	75.5	73.2	73.2	71.2	71.7	72.2	72.3	42.2	43.9	48.7	50.8	50.2	54.7	53.4	53.3	32.3	33.1	35.7	37.2	35.8	39.2	38.5	38.5
Montana	86.3	84.7	85.5	84.4	82.8	80.1	77.9	77.8	27.9	33.1	50.8	54.2	55.5	57.7	54.4	54.7	24.1	28.0	43.4	45.8	46.0	46.2	42.4	42.5
Nebraska	87.7	85.9	87.2	85.1	82.9	84.7	83.8	81.6	53.6	58.7	63.3	60.4	61.7	61.0	59.3	58.8	47.0	50.4	55.2	51.4	51.2	51.7	49.7	48.0
Nevada	79.5	73.0	70.7	67.4	65.4	69.9	68.7	68.1	25.1	42.3	32.8	37.6	38.7	37.1	40.3	40.4	19.9	30.8	23.2	25.3	25.3	25.9	27.7	27.5
New Hampshire	74.5	72.2	78.1	78.3	74.9	74.5	73.8	75.2	40.0	39.6	56.2	55.6	57.4	59.4	59.0	56.4	29.8	30.6	43.9	43.5	43.0	44.2	43.5	42.5
New Jersey	79.4	80.4	84.1	85.3	82.8	78.2	81.0	84.3	40.1	41.6	60.9	64.4	65.4	68.8	63.6	62.7	31.8	33.4	51.2	54.9	54.1	53.8	51.6	52.8
New Mexico	73.0	73.4	67.8	66.6	63.4	57.9	55.3	59.8	37.3	41.7	50.1	53.5	55.7	64.5	58.9	58.5	27.2	30.6	34.0	35.6	35.3	37.3	32.6	35.0
New York	67.6	66.3	66.6	64.5	61.4	61.0	53.9	53.7	49.6	45.2	66.9	69.5	71.0	71.3	63.9	68.7	33.5	30.0	44.5	44.8	43.6	43.5	34.4	36.9
North Carolina	71.0	68.0	68.5	66.0	62.4	60.8	58.7	60.8	51.2	53.1	50.0	51.0	53.8	64.5	65.4	63.6	36.4	36.1	34.3	33.7	33.5	39.2	38.4	38.7
North Dakota	88.6	88.3	87.5	87.7	89.0	85.4	84.1	83.9	54.8	56.3	65.8	68.2	71.0	69.5	69.4	73.7	48.5	49.7	57.5	59.7	63.2	59.4	58.4	61.8
Ohio	79.3	76.4	72.4	75.0	70.6	73.2	69.6	71.4	34.0	41.4	50.3	51.4	54.5	55.1	56.1	57.5	27.0	31.6	36.4	38.5	38.5	40.3	39.0	41.1
Oklahoma	75.9	74.0	76.3	76.1	73.0	72.1	72.5	72.2	43.4	32.4	50.6	49.3	47.6	50.7	49.7	51.2	32.9	24.0	38.6	37.5	34.7	36.6	36.1	36.9
Oregon	71.7	71.7	73.5	72.7	66.6	67.2	67.2	68.5	45.0	52.6	54.3	57.4	52.6	47.2	51.1	47.6	32.3	37.7	39.9	41.8	35.0	31.7	34.3	32.6
Pennsylvania	81.0	81.1	81.5	78.9	76.3	75.3	73.2	76.0	38.9	43.1	53.8	56.9	56.7	62.3	61.5	59.8	31.6	35.0	43.8	44.9	43.2	46.9	45.0	45.4
Rhode Island	73.1	71.9	76.8	73.4	71.4	70.0	69.3	70.9	40.3	44.1	61.8	65.4	65.1	67.8	65.9	53.4	29.5	31.7	47.5	48.0	46.4	47.5	45.6	37.8
South Carolina	65.3	64.8	58.1	57.5	54.4	53.2	51.0	49.4	40.6	47.1	43.4	58.4	59.1	61.2	66.3	59.6	26.5	30.5	25.2	33.6	32.1	32.6	33.8	29.4
South Dakota	84.7	86.7	85.3	91.4	86.6	75.7	73.8	79.1	46.8	41.2	51.3	49.9	52.0	63.9	64.0	60.9	39.7	35.8	43.8	45.6	45.0	48.4	47.2	48.1
Tennessee	66.3	68.6	68.7	63.0	63.4	60.0	54.8	58.5	40.1	46.2	46.7	53.5	53.8	55.6	62.2	61.8	26.6	31.7	32.1	33.7	34.1	33.3	34.1	36.2
Texas	66.0	64.9	56.0	59.6	58.4	61.0	61.9	62.5	37.7	50.5	52.5	50.4	54.1	51.2	52.5	53.4	24.9	32.8	29.4	30.1	31.6	31.3	32.5	33.4
Utah	81.6	81.3	81.1	80.2	78.4	82.3	81.5	81.4	20.2	27.0	51.7	55.8	50.8	41.7	38.1	46.1	16.5	21.9	41.9	44.8	39.8	34.3	31.0	37.5
Vermont	80.9	81.2	82.4	84.6	89.9	80.9	75.6	77.3	40.3	51.5	55.8	50.6	47.2	49.8	45.3	45.4	32.6	41.9	45.9	42.8	42.4	40.3	34.3	35.1
Virginia	75.7	74.6	74.0	72.4	75.5	73.2	73.9	73.8	40.7	48.0	51.7	53.3	54.5	56.1	53.1	54.4	30.9	35.8	38.3	38.6	41.1	41.1	39.3	40.1
Washington	74.8	78.0	76.1	76.7	72.2	70.9	70.8	67.5	46.6	48.6	58.4	57.4	58.1	52.2	44.6	43.9	34.9	37.9	44.5	44.0	42.0	37.0	31.6	29.7
West Virginia	75.6	76.8	77.0	78.0	76.1	75.3	74.4	70.9	38.1	41.5	49.1	49.5	50.1	53.4	52.4	54.0	28.8	31.9	37.9	38.6	38.1	40.2	39.0	38.3
Wisconsin	84.6	83.3	82.2	81.9	80.4	78.8	78.0	78.6	47.2	52.4	60.5	59.8	57.7	55.4	57.2	57.9	39.9	43.6	49.7	49.0	46.4	43.7	44.6	45.5
Wyoming	77.2	77.5	83.8	84.3	77.8	77.4	75.0	73.3	46.6	46.9	46.2	52.6	52.8	54.1	52.2	55.1	36.0	36.4	38.7	44.3	41.1	41.9	39.2	40.4
US	73.4	72.7	71.2	70.0	67.9	67.8	66.1	67.1	43.1	47.8	54.3	57.1	58.5	57.2	56.7	56.6	31.6	34.7	38.7	40.0	39.7	38.8	37.5	38.0

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