



2020 Common Data Project Excerpt

Race/Ethnicity

Improving the Quality and Comparability of State Educational Data across New England



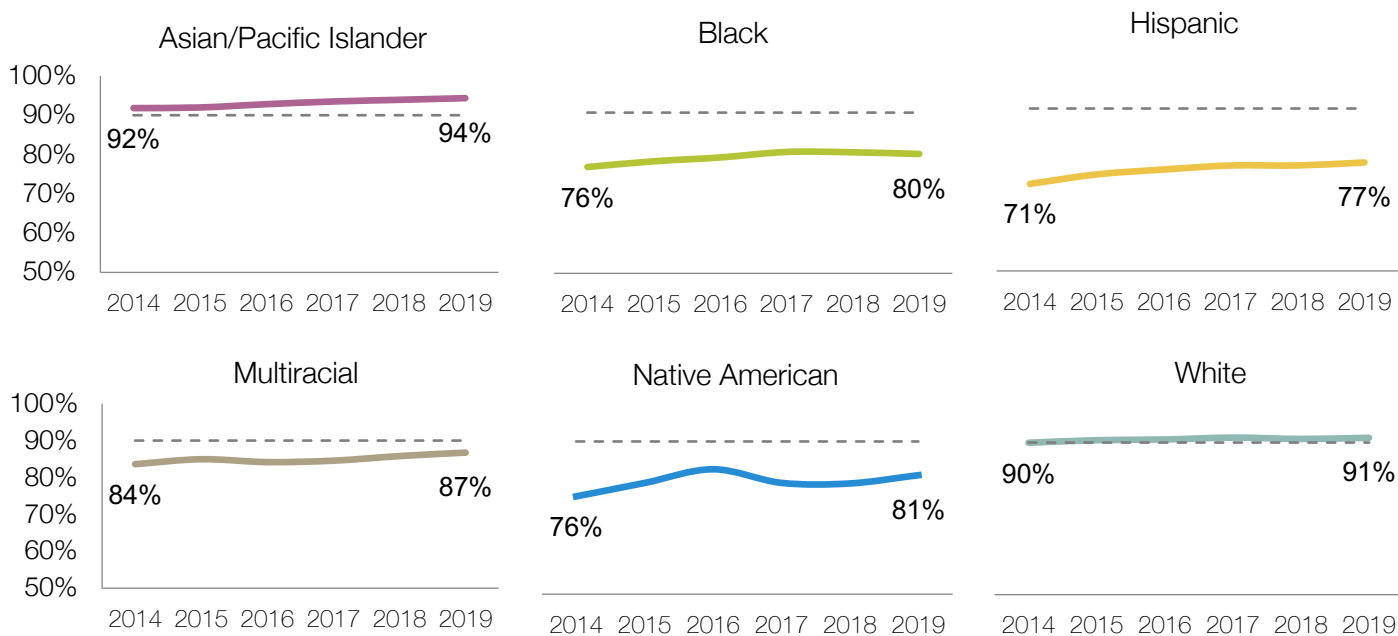
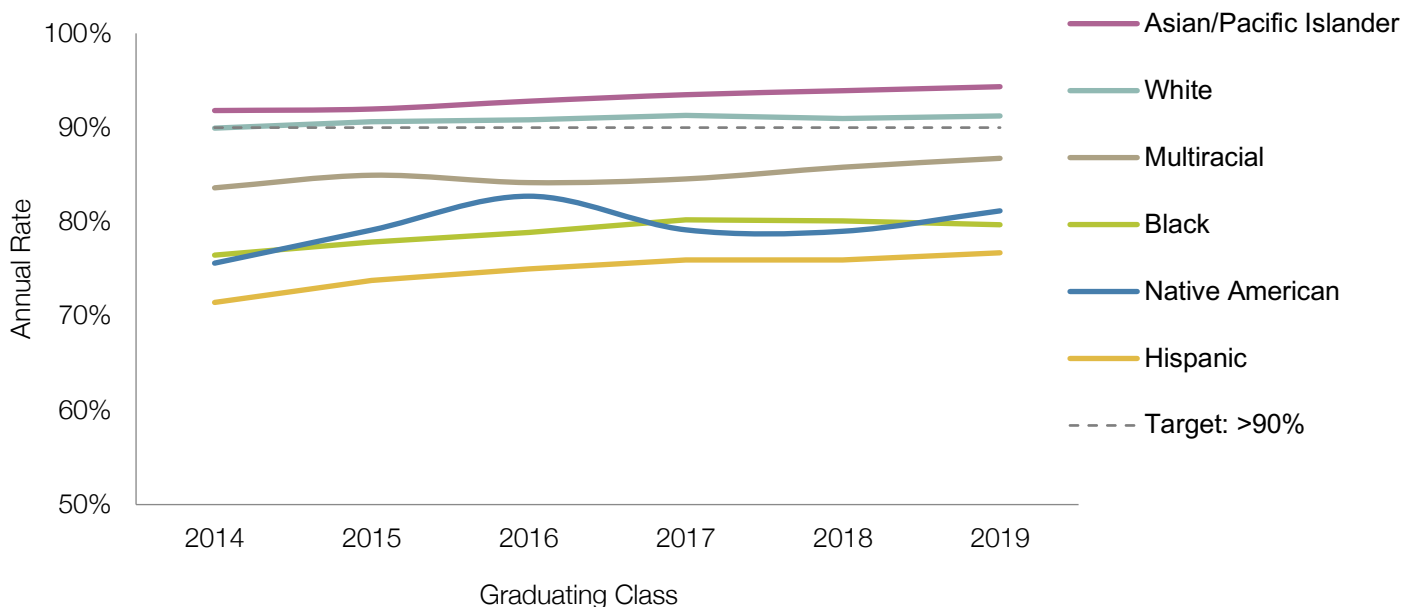
NEW ENGLAND
SECONDARY SCHOOL
CONSORTIUM

Section I: High School Graduation (4-Year)

Race/Ethnicity

Averaged across the region, Asian/Pacific Islander and White students have reached the 90% graduation target. Multiracial, Black, and Native American students are within 10 points of the target, while Hispanic students have graduation rates trailing the NESSC target by more than 10 percentage points.

High School Graduation (4-Year) Rates by Race/Ethnicity



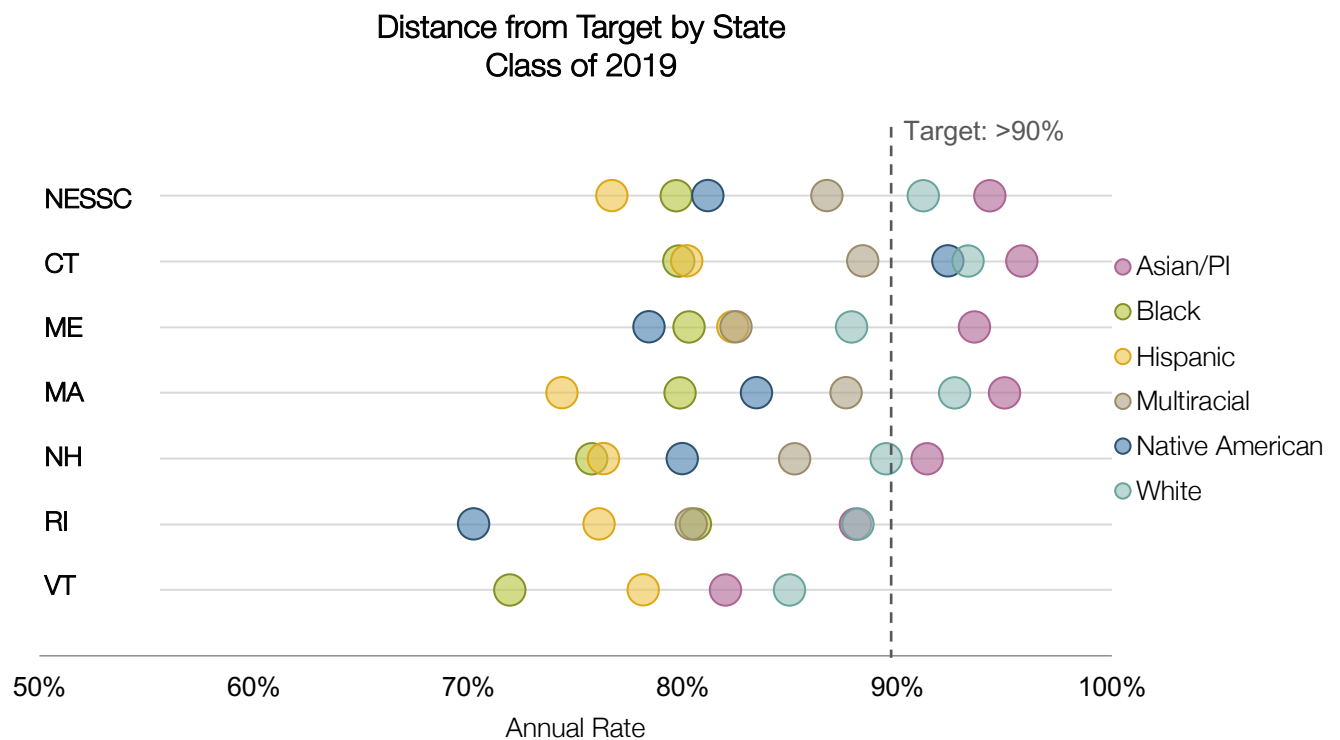
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Race/Ethnicity

Across the region, the gap between the racial/ethnic groups with the highest and lowest graduation rates in the class of 2019 is 17 percentage points.

State-level graduation gaps by race/ethnicity range from 13 percentage points in Vermont to 21 percentage points in Massachusetts.

Student numbers for some racial/ethnic groups are very low. Rates and trends tend to be unstable for data representing small numbers of students. Please interpret with caution.



Graduation rate & number of graduates by state (Class of 2019)

| | Asian/Pacific Islander | | Black | | Hispanic | | Multiracial | | Native American | | White | |
|-------|------------------------|-------|-------|--------|----------|--------|-------------|-------|-----------------|-----|-------|--------|
| NESSC | 94.3% | 7,751 | 79.7% | 11,913 | 76.7% | 21,276 | 86.7% | 3,539 | 81.2% | 487 | 91.2% | 97,882 |
| CT | 95.8% | 1,885 | 79.8% | 4,546 | 80.2% | 7,598 | 88.4% | 967 | 92.4% | 97 | 93.3% | 22,158 |
| ME | 93.6% | 337 | 80.3% | 396 | 82.4% | 252 | 82.5% | 212 | 78.4% | 91 | 87.9% | 11,234 |
| MA | 95.0% | 4,629 | 79.9% | 5,736 | 74.4% | 10,445 | 87.6% | 1,871 | 83.4% | 141 | 92.7% | 43,265 |
| NH | 91.4% | 426 | 75.8% | 247 | 76.3% | 580 | 85.2% | 202 | 80.0% | 24 | 89.5% | 10,887 |
| RI | 88.1% | 310 | 80.6% | 811 | 76.1% | 2,290 | 80.4% | 287 | 70.3% | 52 | 88.2% | 5,710 |
| VT | 82.0% | 164 | 72.0% | 177 | 78.2% | 111 | - | - | 77.4% | 82 | 85.0% | 4,628 |

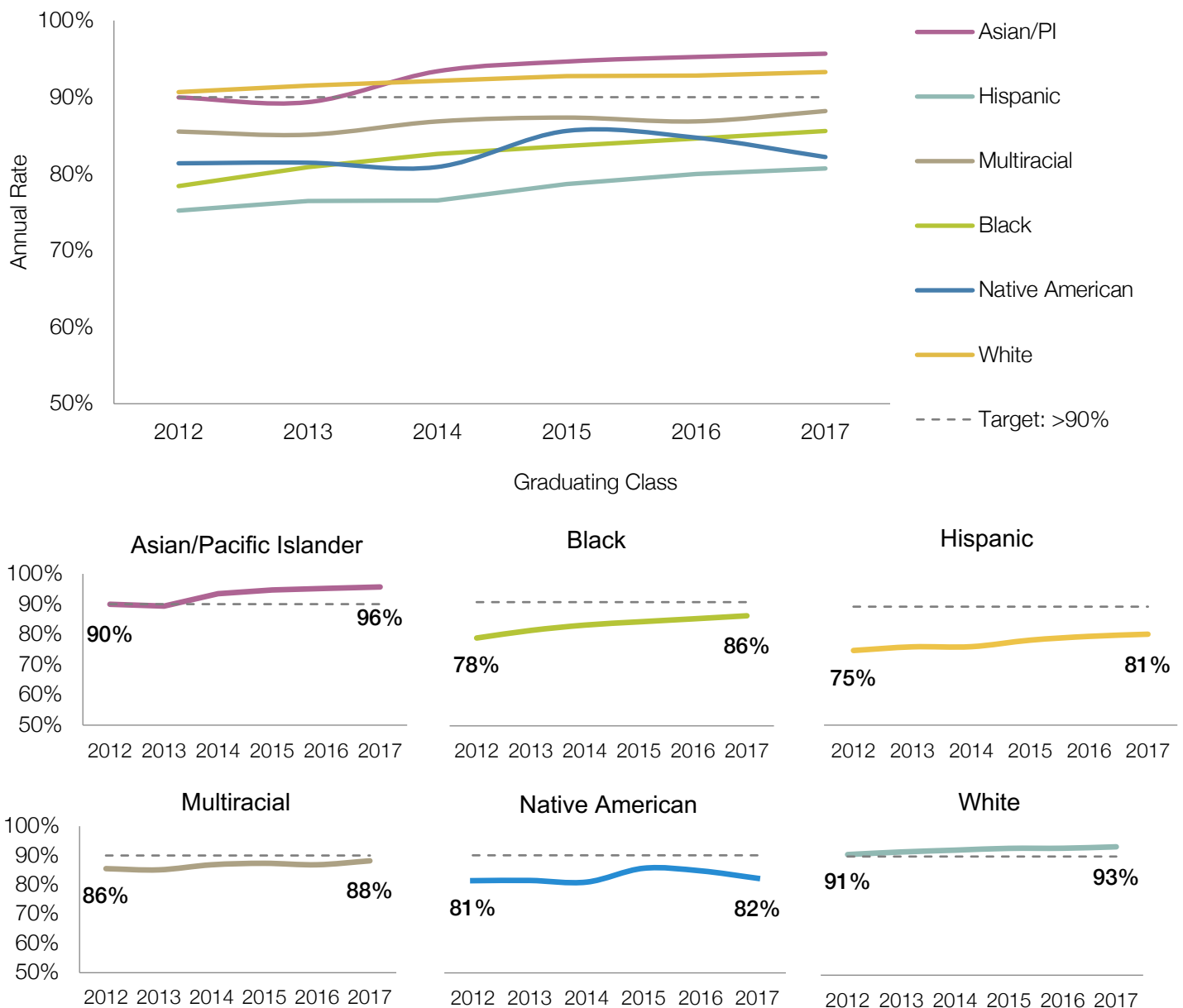
Section II: Extended High School Graduation (6-Year)

Race/Ethnicity

As with 4-year high school graduation rates, substantial variation exists in extended graduation rates by race/ethnicity. Race/ethnicity groups with lower four-year graduation rates—Hispanic, Native American, and Black students—tend to gain more from the additional time than Asian/Pacific Islander, Multiracial, and White students.

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Extended High School Graduation (6-Year) Rates by Race/Ethnicity

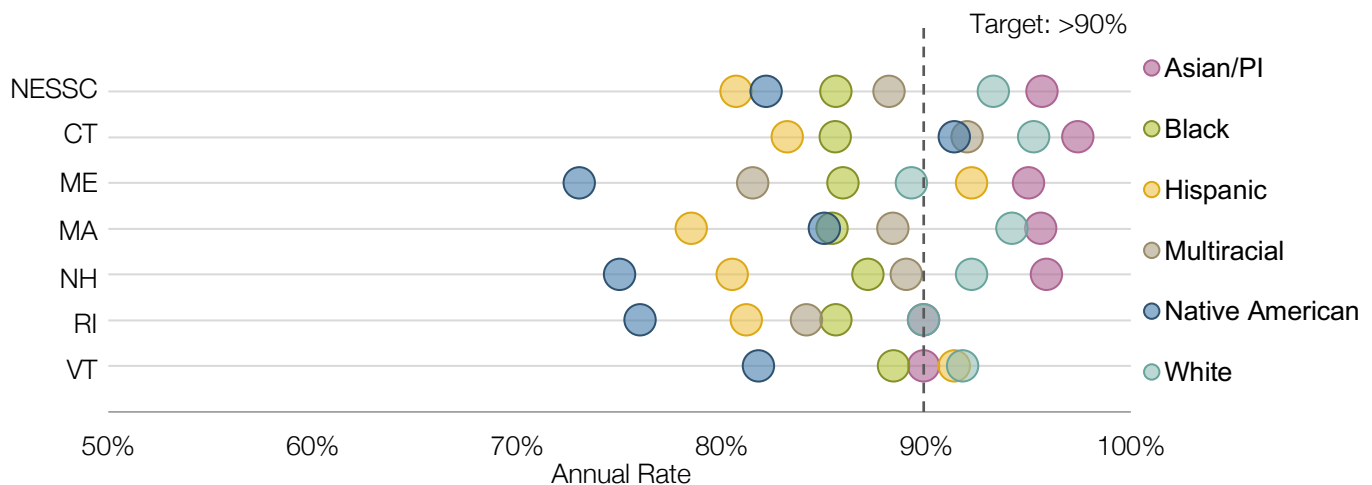


Section II: Extended High School Graduation (6-Year)

Race/Ethnicity

The regional averages for Asian/Pacific Islander and White students have met the target. Asian/Pacific Islander students met the target in 4 of the 6 states. Native American and Hispanic students trail the target by 8 to 9 points: *Note: Student numbers for some race/ethnicity groups are very low.*

Extended High School Graduation (6-Year) Rates by Race/Ethnicity, by State
Class of 2017



4-year graduation rate, extended 6-year graduation rate,
and number of graduates by state (Class of 2017)

| | Asian/Pacific Islander | | | Black | | | Hispanic | | |
|-------|------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|
| | 4-year rate | 6-year rate | 6-year # of grads | 4-year rate | 6-year rate | 6-year # of grads | 4-year rate | 6-year rate | 6-year # of grads |
| NESSC | 93.5% | 95.7% | 6,937 | 80.2% | 85.6% | 12,362 | 76.0% | 80.7% | 19,601 |
| CT | 95.2% | 97.4% | 1,747 | 80.1% | 85.6% | 4,952 | 77.7% | 83.2% | 7,273 |
| ME | 88.4% | 95.0% | 266 | 82.6% | 85.9% | 403 | 88.5% | 92.2% | 214 |
| MA | 93.9% | 95.6% | 4,101 | 80.0% | 85.4% | 5,816 | 74.4% | 78.5% | 9,636 |
| NH | 93.5% | 95.9% | 397 | 78.8% | 87.2% | 251 | 75.9% | 80.5% | 542 |
| RI | 87.5% | 89.9% | 266 | 81.5% | 85.6% | 742 | 75.8% | 81.2% | 1,830 |
| VT | 83.4% | 89.9% | 160 | 80.4% | 88.4% | 198 | 89.8% | 91.4% | 106 |

| | Multiracial | | | Native American | | | White | | |
|-------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|
| | 4-year rate | 6-year rate | 6-year # of grads | 4-year rate | 6-year rate | 6-year # of grads | 4-year rate | 6-year rate | 6-year # of grads |
| NESSC | 84.6% | 88.2% | 3,039 | 79.2% | 82.2% | 466 | 91.3% | 93.3% | 102,624 |
| CT | 87.7% | 92.0% | 783 | 87.9% | 91.4% | 106 | 92.8% | 95.3% | 23,709 |
| ME | 78.9% | 81.5% | 318 | 71.3% | 73.0% | 65 | 87.4% | 89.3% | 11,437 |
| MA | 85.2% | 88.4% | 1,504 | 81.4% | 85.0% | 142 | 92.6% | 94.2% | 45,223 |
| NH | 84.1% | 89.0% | 195 | 75.0% | 75.0% | 24 | 89.8% | 92.2% | 11,596 |
| RI | 79.3% | 84.2% | 239 | 73.0% | 76.0% | 57 | 87.7% | 89.9% | 5,555 |
| VT | - | - | - | 77.8% | 81.8% | 72 | 89.6% | 91.8% | 5,104 |

Section III: High School Dropouts

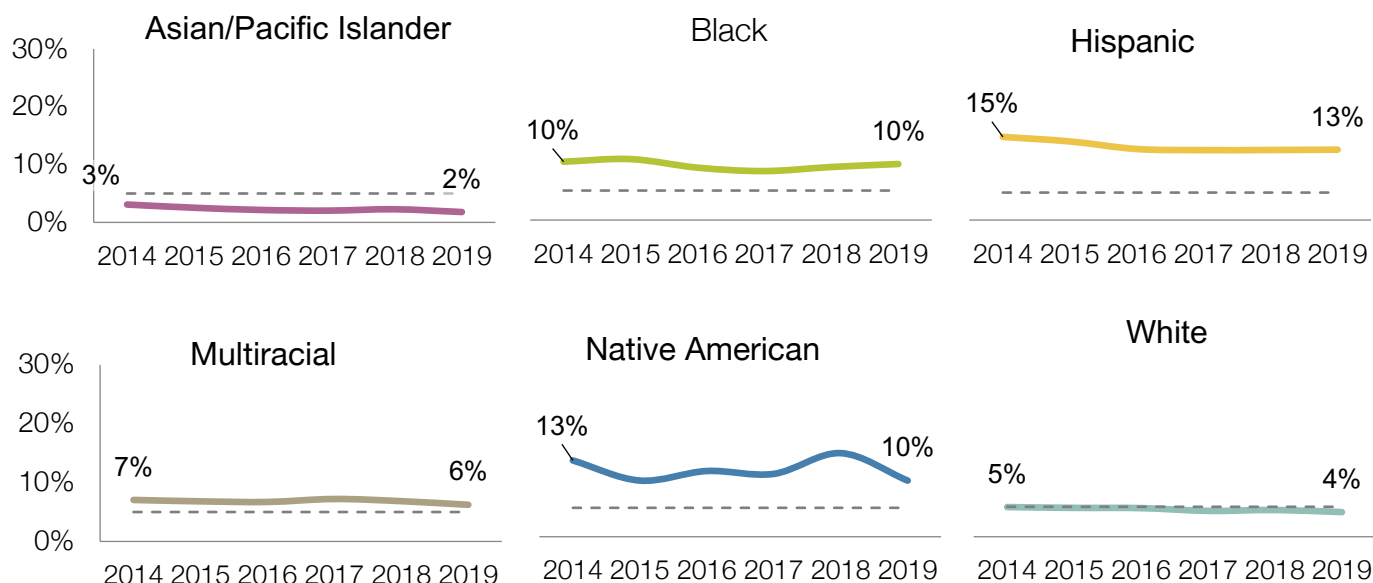
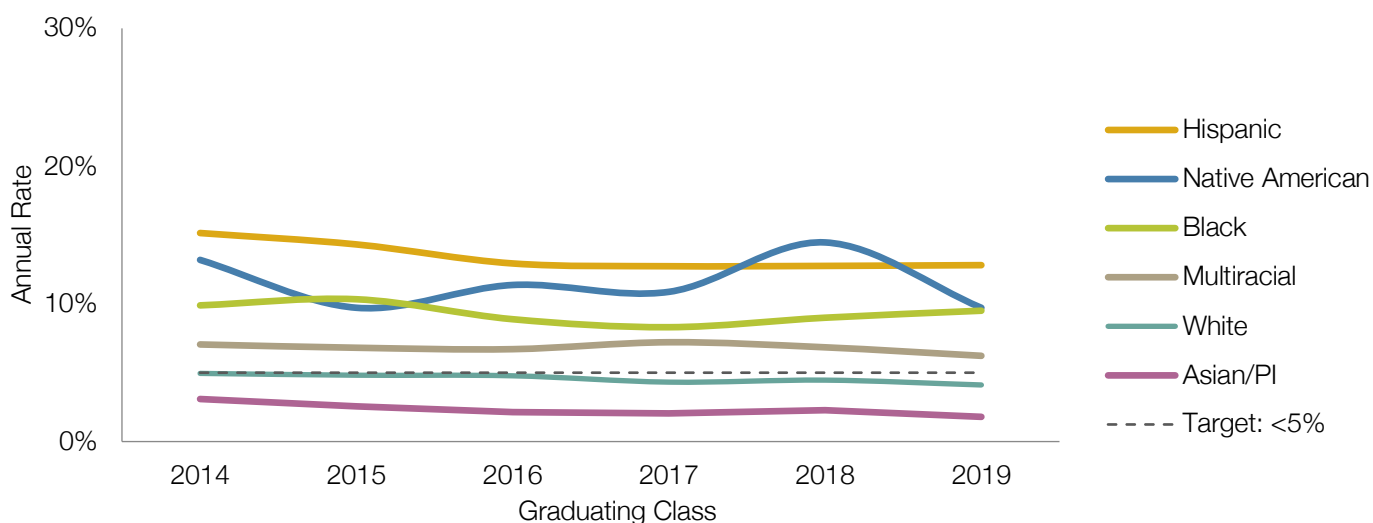
Race/Ethnicity

Dropout rates vary substantially by race/ethnicity in New England.

Since 2014, NESSC states have on average reported small decreases in dropout rates for students in most racial and ethnic groups.

Asian/Pacific Islander and White students meet the NESSC target of dropout rates below 5%. Native American and Black students are five percentage points above the target, while Hispanic students have high school dropout rates above 10%.

High School Dropout Rates by Race/Ethnicity



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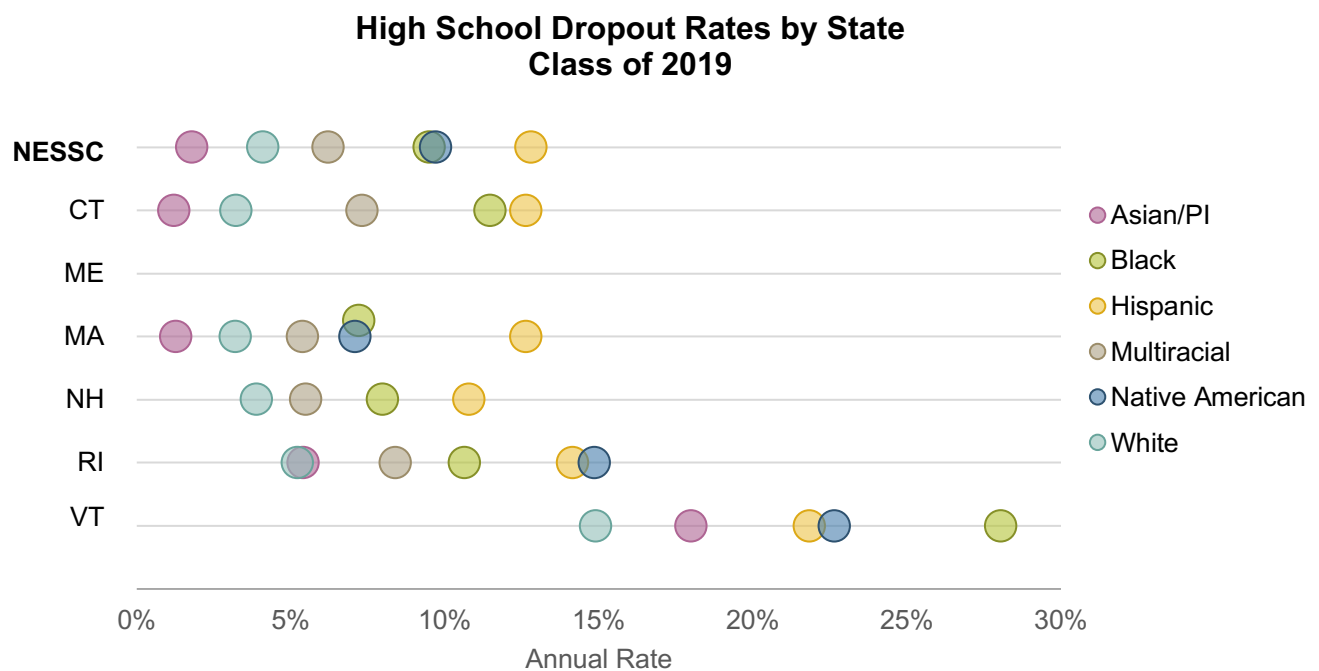
Race/Ethnicity

For students in the class of 2019, NESSC dropout rates by race/ethnicity exhibited some variation across states.

Regionally, the gap between the racial/ethnic groups with the highest and lowest dropout rates is 11 percentage points.

Student numbers for some racial/ethnic groups are very low. Rates and trends tend to be unstable for data representing small numbers of students. Please interpret with caution.

Note: In the dropout rate bar graph below, the aim is to be below the 5% target. For all other indicators discussed in this report (e.g., graduation rate, college enrollment) the aim is to be above the target.



Dropout rate & number of dropouts by state (Class of 2019)

| | Asian/Pacific Islander | | Black | | Hispanic | | Multiracial | | Native American | | White | |
|-------|------------------------|-----|-------|------|----------|-------|-------------|-----|-----------------|----|-------|-------|
| NESSC | 1.8% | 141 | 9.5% | 1373 | 12.8% | 3513 | 6.2% | 238 | 9.7% | 47 | 4.1% | 3883 |
| CT | 1.2% | 24 | 11.5% | 653 | 12.6% | 1,198 | 7.3% | 80 | | * | 3.2% | 767 |
| ME | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| MA | 1.3% | 62 | 7.2% | 518 | 12.6% | 1,776 | 5.4% | 115 | 7.1% | 12 | 3.2% | 1,494 |
| NH | | * | 8.0% | 26 | 10.8% | 82 | 5.5% | 13 | | * | 3.9% | 473 |
| RI | 5.4% | 19 | 10.6% | 107 | 14.2% | 426 | 8.4% | 30 | 14.9% | 11 | 5.2% | 338 |
| VT | 18.0% | 36 | 28.0% | 69 | 21.8% | 31 | - | - | 22.6% | 24 | 14.9% | 811 |

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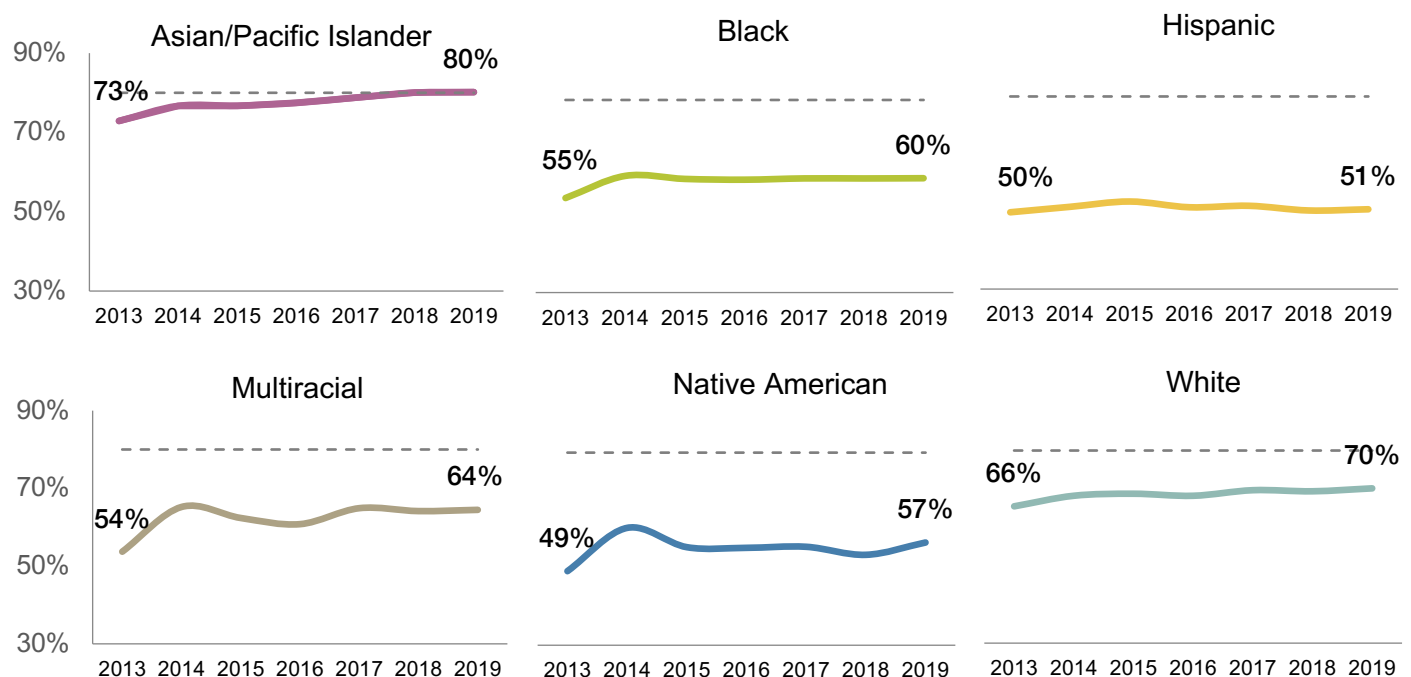
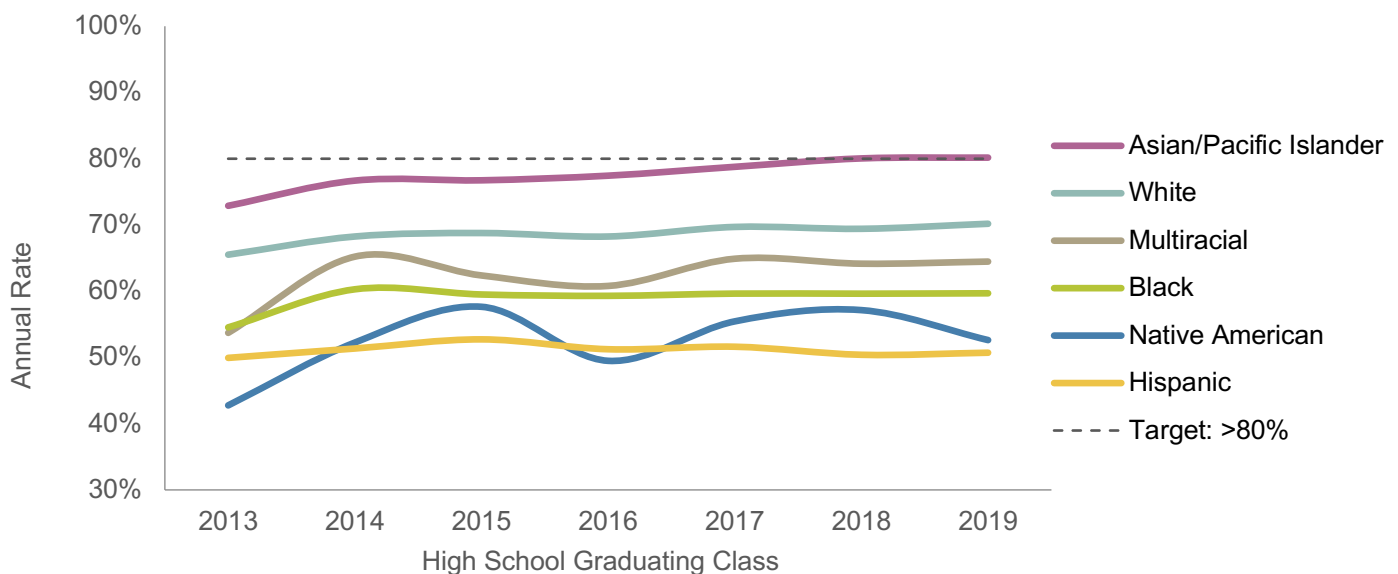
Section IV: College Enrollment

Race/Ethnicity

Significant differences in college enrollment by race are present across New England. Asian/Pacific Islander students enroll in college at the highest rates (80% in 2019), followed by White students (70%), Multiracial students (64%), Black students (60%), Native American students (57%), and Hispanic students (50%).

Asian/Pacific Islander and Native American students have seen the largest increases in college enrollment rates since 2013 (7 and 8 percentage points, respectively), while college enrollment among Hispanic students has remained relatively constant around 50%.

College Enrollment Rates by Race/Ethnicity



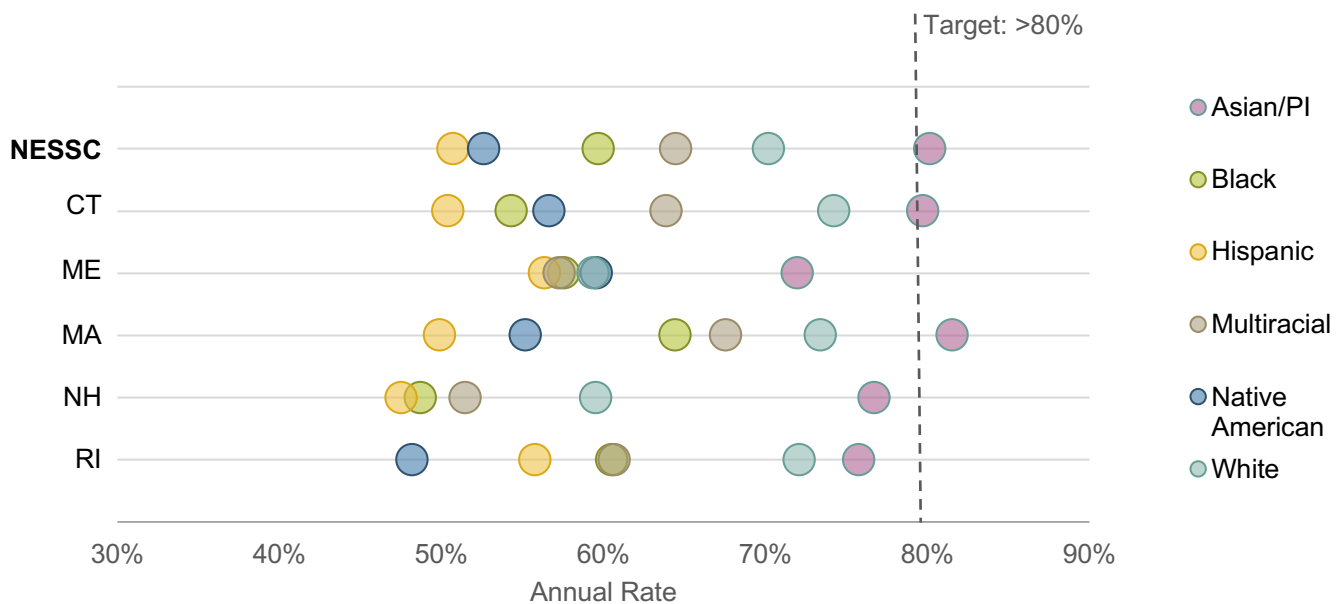
Section IV: College Enrollment

Race/Ethnicity

For students graduating from high school in 2019, college enrollment varied considerably both by race/ethnicity and across states.

Across the region, Maine reported the smallest college enrollment gap by race/ethnicity (18 percentage points). Only Asian/Pacific Islander students in Massachusetts and Connecticut met the target.

**College Enrollment Rates by Race/Ethnicity
High School Class of 2019**



College enrollment rate & number of students by state (Class of 2019)

| | Asian/Pacific Islander | | Black | | Hispanic | | Multiracial | | Native American | | White | |
|-------|---------------------------|------|-------|------|----------|-------|-------------|------|--------------------|-----|-------|-------|
| NESSC | 80.2% | 6213 | 59.7% | 7528 | 50.7% | 11413 | 64.5% | 2301 | 52.6% | 231 | 70.2% | 66713 |
| CT | 79.7% | 1562 | 54.3% | 2653 | 50.4% | 4041 | 63.9% | 596 | 56.7% | 68 | 74.2% | 16628 |
| ME | 72.0% | 249 | 57.5% | 248 | 56.4% | 150 | 57.3% | 126 | 59.6% | 56 | 59.4% | 6864 |
| MA | 81.6% | 3838 | 64.4% | 3979 | 49.9% | 5578 | 67.5% | 1296 | 55.2% | 80 | 73.4% | 32375 |
| NH | 76.7% | 323 | 48.7% | 131 | 47.5% | 299 | 51.5% | 104 | 0.0% | 0 | 59.5% | 6619 |
| RI | 75.8% | 241 | 60.5% | 517 | 55.8% | 1345 | 60.7% | 179 | 48.2% | 27 | 72.1% | 4227 |

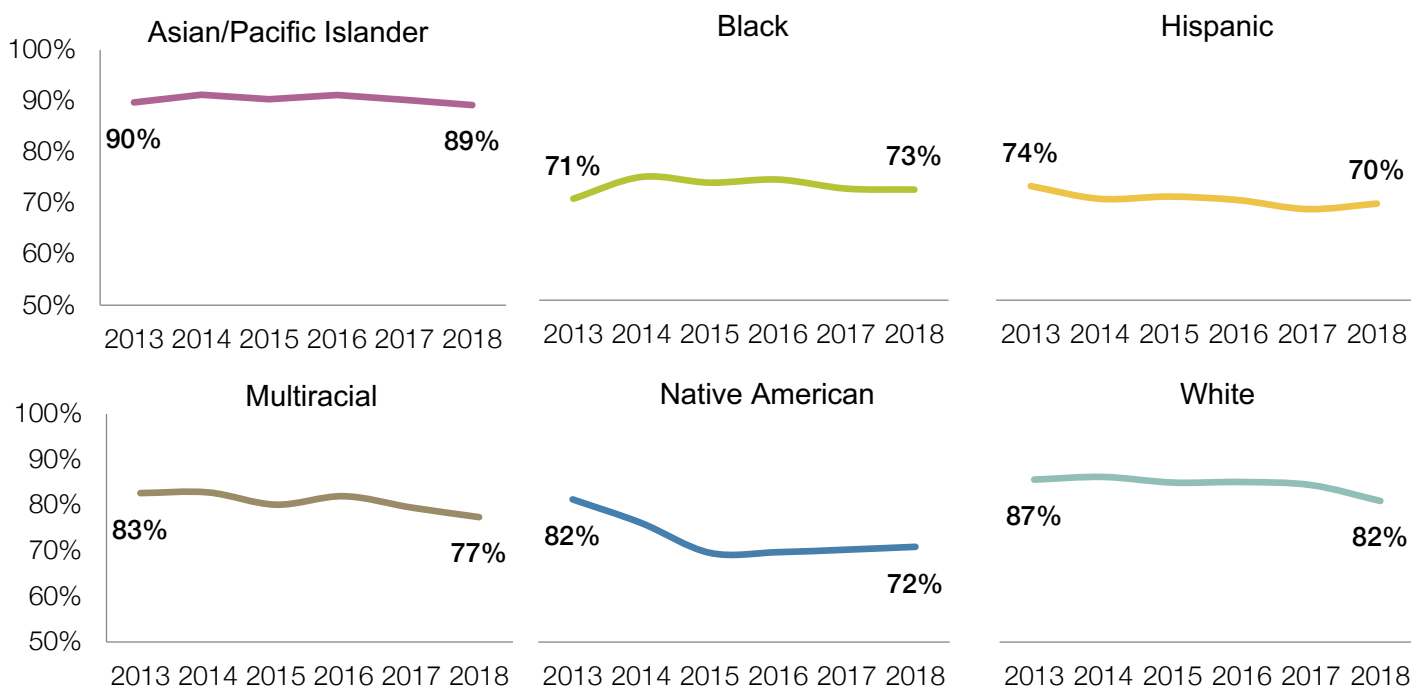
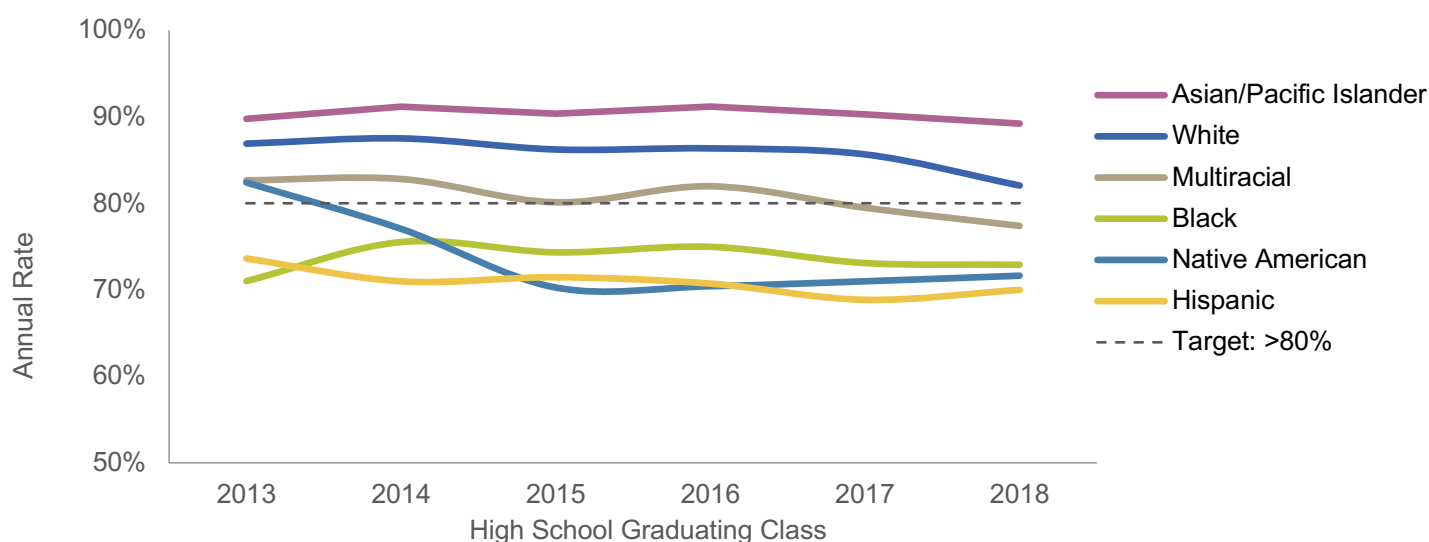
Section V: College Persistence

Race/Ethnicity

College persistence rates vary substantially by race/ethnicity in New England. Asian/Pacific Islander students consistently have the highest college persistence rates (89% for those who entered college in 2018), followed by White students (82%) and Multiracial students (77%). Black students had the fourth-highest college persistence rates in 2016 (73%), followed by Native American students (72%) and Hispanic students (70%).

With the exception of Black students – who have seen a 2 percentage point gain – all other race/ethnicity groups have had unchanging or declining rates in college persistence among students who entered in 2018 as compared to those who entered in 2011.

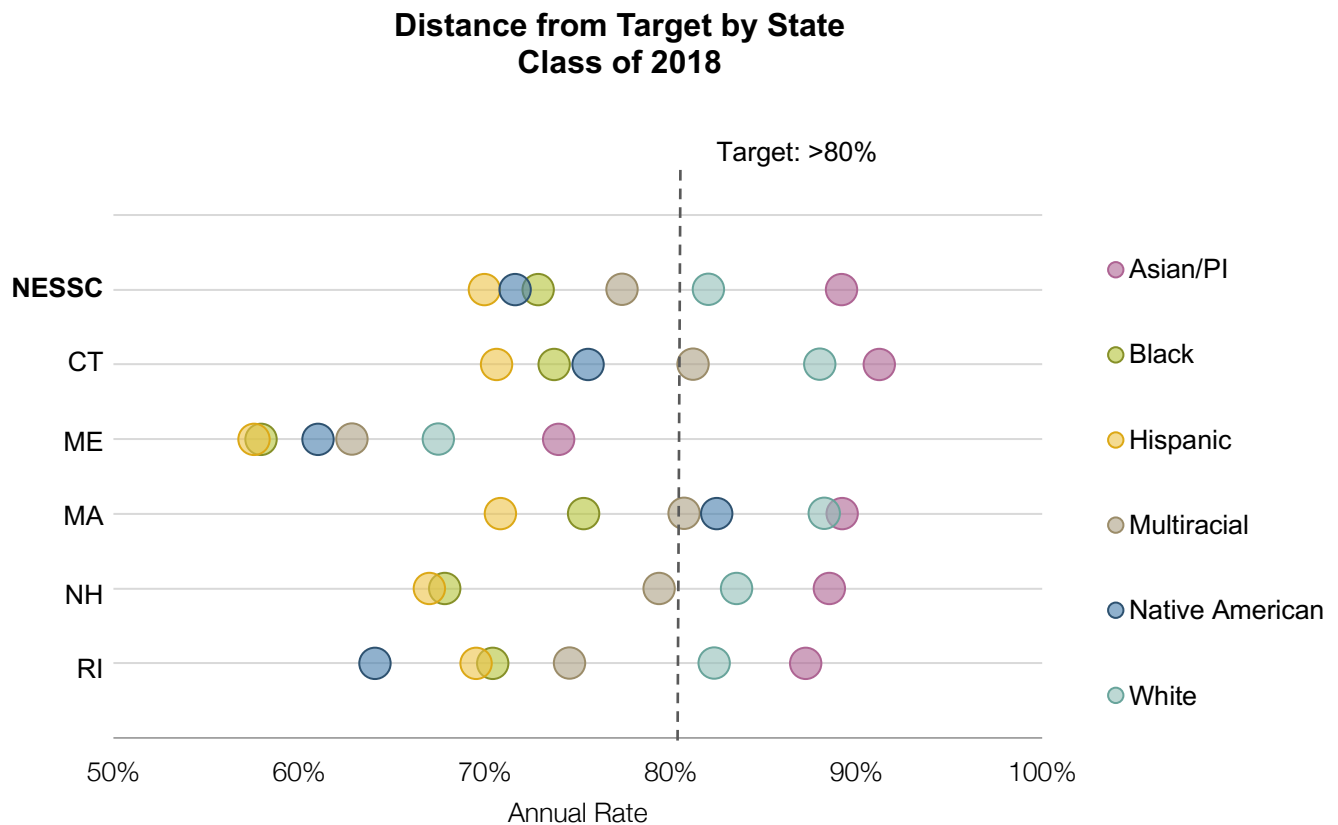
College Persistence Rates by Race/Ethnicity



Section V: College Persistence

Race/Ethnicity

Asian/Pacific Islander and White students have met the college persistence target in all states except Maine. Across the region, the college persistence gap by race/ethnicity stands at 19 percentage points among students who entered college in 2018. Maine reports the smallest persistence gap by race/ethnicity, at 16 percentage points.



Persistence rate & number of students by state (College Entry Year 2018)

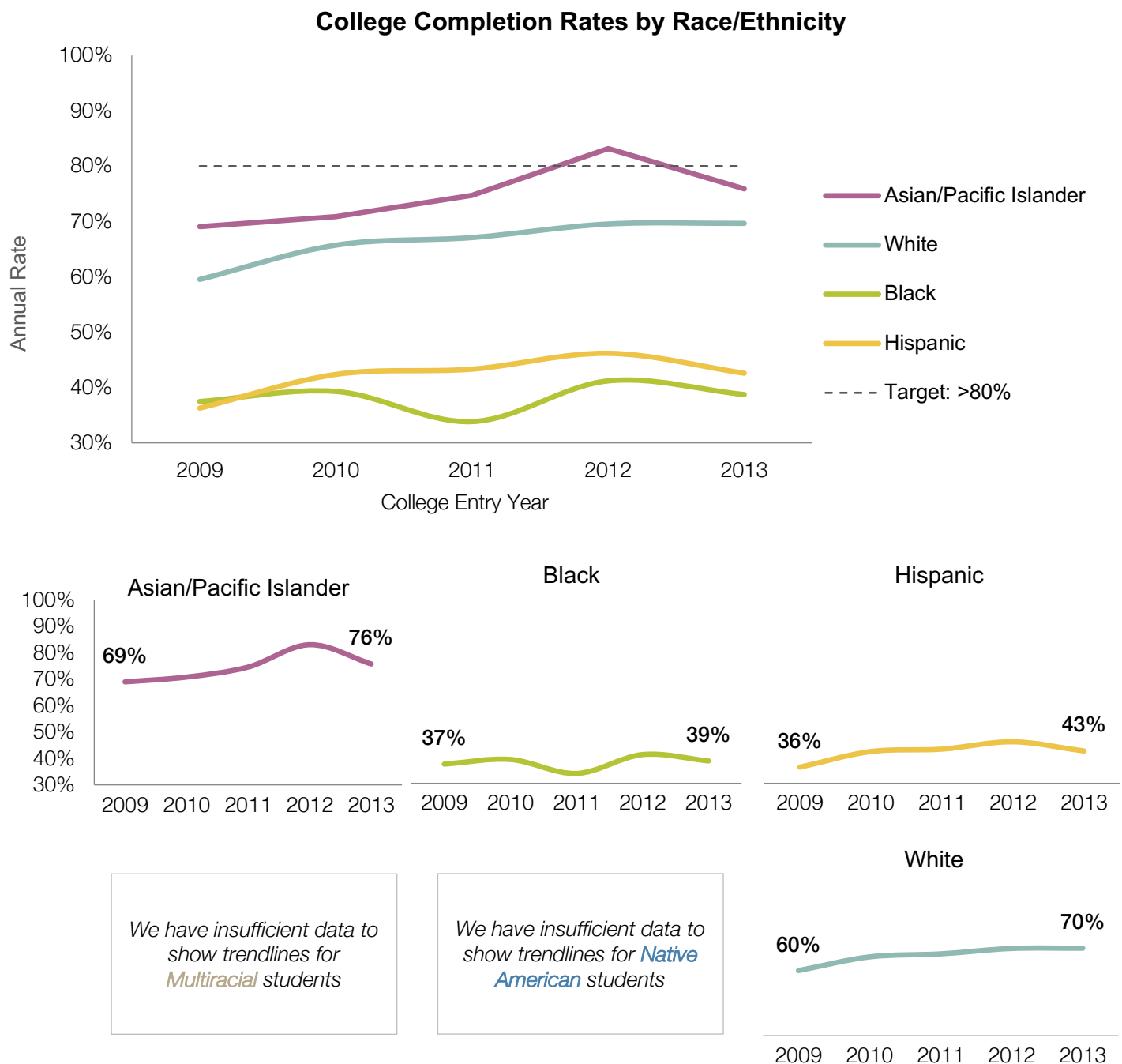
| | Asian/Pacific Islander | | Black | | Hispanic | | Multiracial | | Native American | | White | |
|-------|---------------------------|------|-------|------|----------|------|-------------|------|--------------------|-----|-------|-------|
| NESSC | 89% | 5569 | 73% | 5989 | 70.0% | 8243 | 77.4% | 1731 | 71.6% | 207 | 82.0% | 60275 |
| CT | 91% | 1564 | 74% | 2198 | 70.6% | 3001 | 81.2% | 463 | 75.6% | 65 | 88.0% | 15836 |
| ME | 74% | 148 | 58% | 178 | 57.6% | 76 | 62.9% | 88 | 61.0% | 36 | 67.5% | 5158 |
| MA | 89% | 3358 | 75% | 3054 | 70.9% | 3945 | 80.7% | 964 | 82.5% | 66 | 88.3% | 29324 |
| NH | 89% | 286 | 68% | 116 | 67.0% | 187 | 79.4% | 81 | 0.0% | 15 | 83.6% | 6151 |
| RI | 87% | 213 | 70% | 443 | 69.5% | 1034 | 74.6% | 135 | 64.1% | 25 | 82.3% | 3806 |

Section VI: College Completion

Race/Ethnicity

There are notable variations in college completion rates across New England by race/ethnicity. About three in four Asian/Pacific Islander students (76%) now complete college within six years, compared with 70% of White students, 43% of Hispanic students, and 39% of Black students.

Asian/Pacific Islander and White students have experienced steady increases in college completion over the past three years, whereas college completion for Black students has remained relatively constant with a dip for students who entered college in 2011 and 2013. Hispanic students had experienced steady increases except for students who entered college in 2013.

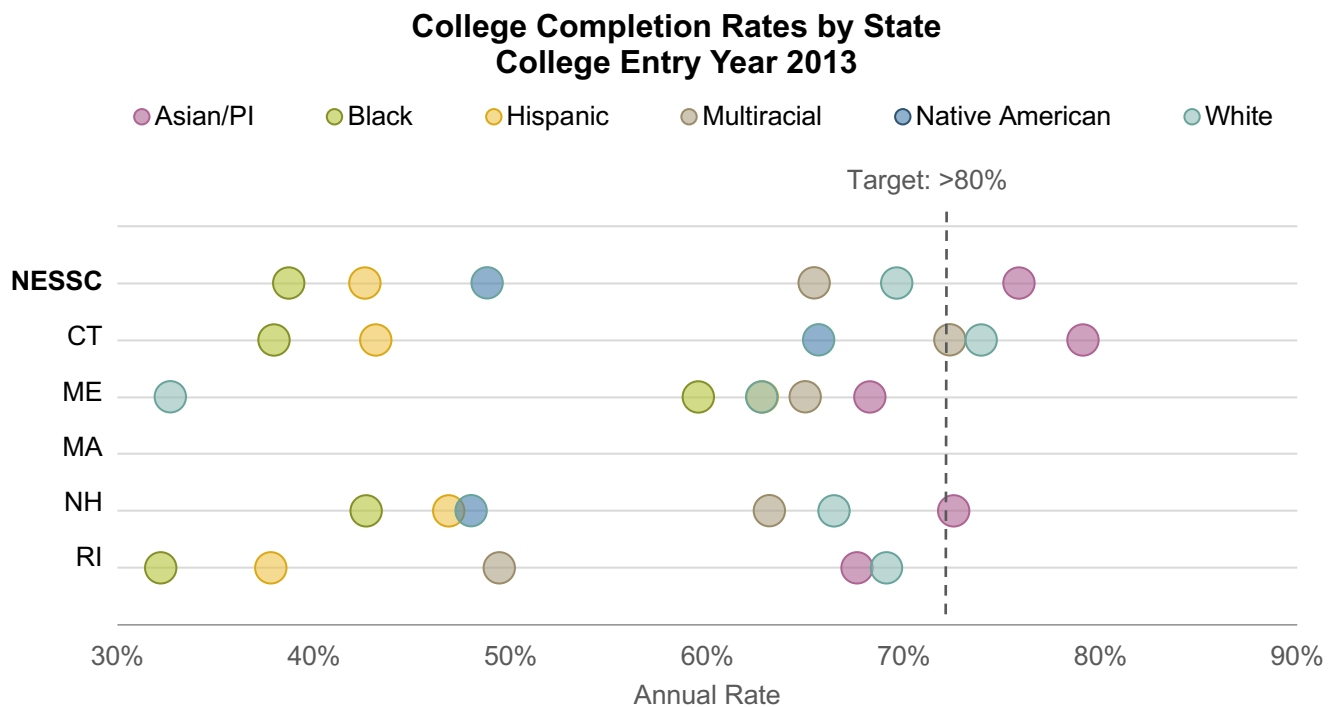


Section VI: College Completion

Race/Ethnicity

The completion gap by race/ethnicity varies widely across states for students entering college in 2012. New Hampshire reported the smallest gap (30 percentage points), while Connecticut reported the widest gap (41 percentage points).

Student numbers for some racial/ethnic groups are very low. For example, of students entering college in 2013 there were 82 Native American college completers across three states, while the number of Native American graduates in two states was too small to report. Rates and trends tend to be unstable for data representing small numbers of students. Please interpret with caution.



College completion rate & number of students by state (College Entry Year 2013)

| | Asian/Pacific Islander | | Black | | Hispanic | | Multiracial | | Native American | | White | |
|-------|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|----------|-------|-------------|-----|-----------------|----|-------|--------|
| NESSC | 75.9% | 1,468 | 38.7% | 1,428 | 42.6% | 1,996 | 65.5% | 326 | 48.8% | 82 | 69.7% | 29,013 |
| CT | 79.1% | 1,001 | 38.0% | 1,063 | 43.1% | 1,402 | 72.3% | 170 | 65.7% | 44 | 73.9% | 14,839 |
| ME | 68.3% | 140 | 59.6% | 137 | 62.8% | 76 | 65.0% | 65 | 32.7% | 17 | 62.8% | 5,148 |
| MA | Not reported | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NH | 72.5% | 185 | 42.7% | 64 | 46.9% | 105 | 63.2% | 48 | 48.0% | 12 | 66.5% | 5,598 |
| RI | 67.6% | 142 | 32.2% | 164 | 37.8% | 413 | 49.4% | 43 | | * | 69.1% | 3,428 |