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The 4 year and 5 years graduation rate for all Worcester students has increased over the last 10 years. Gaps between racial groups have continued to persist but progress has been made to decrease the magnitude of these gaps. It is important to note that the percentages for small groups, such as the multi-race student group, are less stable due to the large impact a few students can have on the overall group's percentage. The work over the last 10 years has brought the Worcester graduation rate closer to the state's overall graduation rate.

Categories on the chart are not discrete [e.g. English Learners (EL), students with disabilities, and low income]. Students are counted in each category they qualify for. Thus, the same student may potentially be counted in each of these categories and under their self-identified race/ethnicity. Please note the criteria for low income changed in the 2014-2015 school year.

We are actively engaging in initiatives to identify reasons for these gaps and solutions. Our 2018-2019 work with the BARR Foundations requires the development of specific action steps and a related timeline for implementation. Additionally, multiple grants are currently in place to support students in college and career explorations and planning.

Worcester	4yr Grad Rate	4yr Grad. Rate	4yr Grad. Rate	4yr Grad. Rate	4yr Grad. Rate	4yr Grad. Rate	4yr Grad. Rate	4yr Grad. Rate	4yr Grad. Rate	4yr Grad. Rate
	2007	2008	2009	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
All Students	69.8	69.2	70.1	72.3	73.4	79.2	80.8	81.9	83.3	83.5
Male	67	63.1	65.5	67.8	69.5	74.9	77.9	77.8	80.8	81.7
Female	72.7	75.8	74.7	76.8	77.5	83.9	84.0	86.4	86.1	85.4
EL	63	61.2	62.8	60.5	70.4	75.8	75.2	74.3	75.6	74.4
Students w/disabilities	51.3	54.4	49.1	56.6	53.0	63.1	62.4	61.5	63.7	76.5
Low Income	66.3	65.4	67.8	69.6	70.6	77.1	79.1	79.9	81.0	79.9
High Needs	0	0	0	69.6	70.5	77.2	78.7	79.7	81.2	80.3
African American/Black	72	71.4	77.7	75.1	76.9	83.5	82.2	86.4	87.7	84.5
Asian	81.7	86.5	86	86.9	85.6	92.9	91.5	93.6	95.3	90.6
Hispanic/Latino	59.8	60.1	61.1	62.7	63.1	72.1	74.9	77.1	76.6	78.3
White	74.1	73	72.6	77.2	79.9	81.6	84.0	84.0	86.9	88.2
Multi-Race	75	72.7	71.4	66.7	79.2	76.0	88.2	60.5	80.0	81.7

State	4yr Grad Rate	4yr Grad. Rate	4yr Grad. Rate	4yr Grad. Rate	4yr Grad. Rate	4yr Grad. Rate	4yr Grad. Rate	4yr Grad. Rate	4yr Grad. Rate	4yr Grad. Rate
	2007	2008	2009	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
All Students	80.9	81.2	81.5	84.7	85.0	86.1	87.3	87.5	88.3	87.9
Male	77.8	78	78.6	81.8	82.1	83.4	84.7	85.0	85.9	85.3
Female	84.1	84.7	84.6	87.7	88.1	89.0	90.0	90.2	90.7	90.3
EL	53.3	55.8	57.5	61.1	63.5	63.9	64.0	64.1	63.4	64.1
Students w/disabilities	62.8	64.1	64.9	68.6	67.8	69.1	69.9	71.8	72.8	72.4
Low Income	65.2	64.8	66.9	72.4	73.6	75.5	78.2	78.4	79.0	77.4
High Needs	67	67.2	69.1	74.1	74.7	76.5	78.5	79.1	80.0	78.0
African American/Black	65.2	68.4	69.1	73.4	73.8	74.9	77.5	78.9	80.0	80.1
Asian	83.7	86.7	86.1	89.5	90.6	92.1	92.4	92.7	94.1	94.3
Hispanic/Latino	58.5	58.3	59.7	65.5	66.8	69.2	72.2	72.7	74.4	73.8
White	86.4	86.6	86.9	89.7	90.1	90.9	91.6	91.9	92.6	92.2
Multi-Race	79.6	70.3	80.5	82.8	83.8	84.9	85.9	84.3	85.2	86.5

	5 Yr Grad. Rate	5 Yr Grad. Rate	5 Yr Grad. Rate	5 Yr Grad. Rate	5 Yr Grad. Rate	5 Yr Grad. Rate	5 Yr Grad. Rate	5 Yr Grad. Rate	5 Yr Grad. Rate	5 Yr Grad. Rate
Worcester	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
All Students	76.0	74.0	75.0	77.7	77.6	78.7	82.5	84.4	86.4	87.1
Male	71.7	70.0	72.6	75.0	74.3	75.0	78.8	82.6	82.4	84.9
Female	80.6	77.9	77.8	80.5	81.0	82.5	86.5	86.4	90.7	89.5
EL	68.7	66.3	68.8	63.9	69.1	78.0	81.2	80.3	80.6	80.5
Students w/disabilities	62.2	53.7	60.8	58.8	62.6	60.3	67.6	67.3	68.9	72.3
Low Income	72.8	72.1	72.7	75.1	75.5	76.4	80.8	83	85	85.1
High Needs	0.0	0.0	0.0	74.8	75.4	76.3	80.9	82.5	84.7	85.3
African American/Black	79.2	82.5	79.9	83.5	85.1	80.9	86.2	86.6	91.5	90.9
Asian	89.7	87.5	87.8	87.9	90.6	89.5	96.1	94.5	95	97.3
Hispanic/Latino	68.5	65.5	67.0	68.2	68.3	70.9	76.4	79.6	82.5	81.2
White	78.9	75.9	78.4	82.2	81.2	83.6	83.8	86	87	90
Multi-Race	72.7	76.2	70.8	71.4	66.7	79.2	84.0	91.2	74.4	85.7

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State	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
All Students	84.2	84.0	84.7	86.3	87.5	87.7	88.5	89.4	89.8	90.1
Male	81.5	81.7	82.4	84.1	85.4	85.3	86.3	87.4	87.8	88.2
Female	87.0	86.4	87.0	88.7	89.7	90.1	90.7	91.6	92	92.1
EL	62.8	63.3	63.7	64.2	68.5	70.9	69.8	70.2	70.9	69
Students w/disabilities	69.6	69.3	68.6	70.8	73.8	72.9	73.5	74.5	76.5	76.8
Low Income	69.9	71.3	72.3	75.0	77.5	78.3	79.6	81.6	82.1	82
High Needs	72.3	73.3	73.9	76.5	78.9	79.2	80.3	82.0	82.9	83
African American/Black	74.1	73.7	73.5	76.4	80.0	79.7	80.2	82.3	83.4	84.2
Asian	89.6	89.1	89.4	90.4	92.1	92.7	94.1	94.1	94.8	95.4
Hispanic/Latino	64.4	64.6	65.9	67.9	70.9	71.6	73.5	75.8	76.8	77.4
White	88.6	88.7	89.5	91.1	91.6	91.9	92.4	93.1	93.5	93.9
Multi-Race	73.6	83.4	81.6	84.1	86.0	85.9	87.2	86.3	87.4	87.7