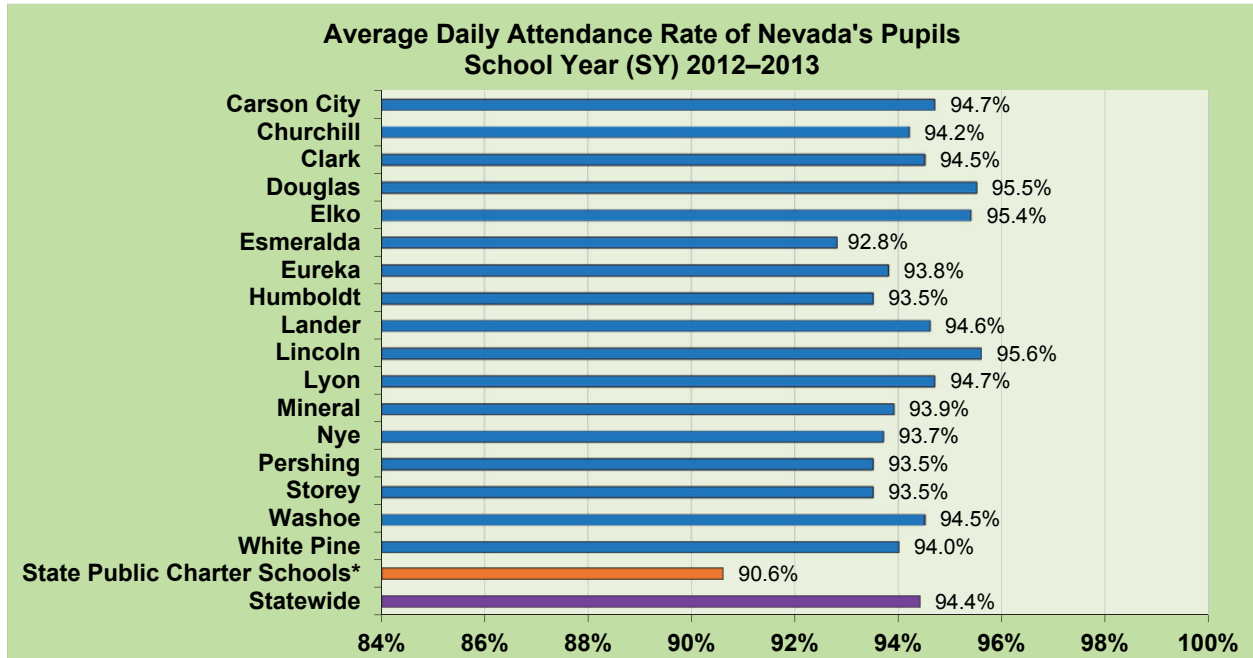


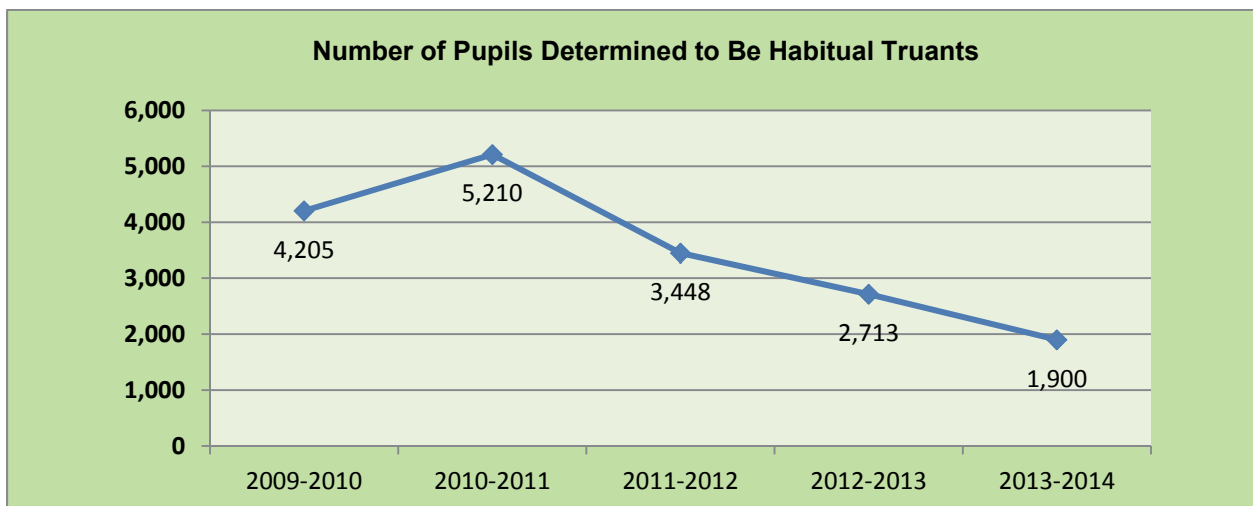


## Student Performance Measures—Attendance, Credit Attainment, Graduation Rates, and Dropout Rates

### Students—Attendance

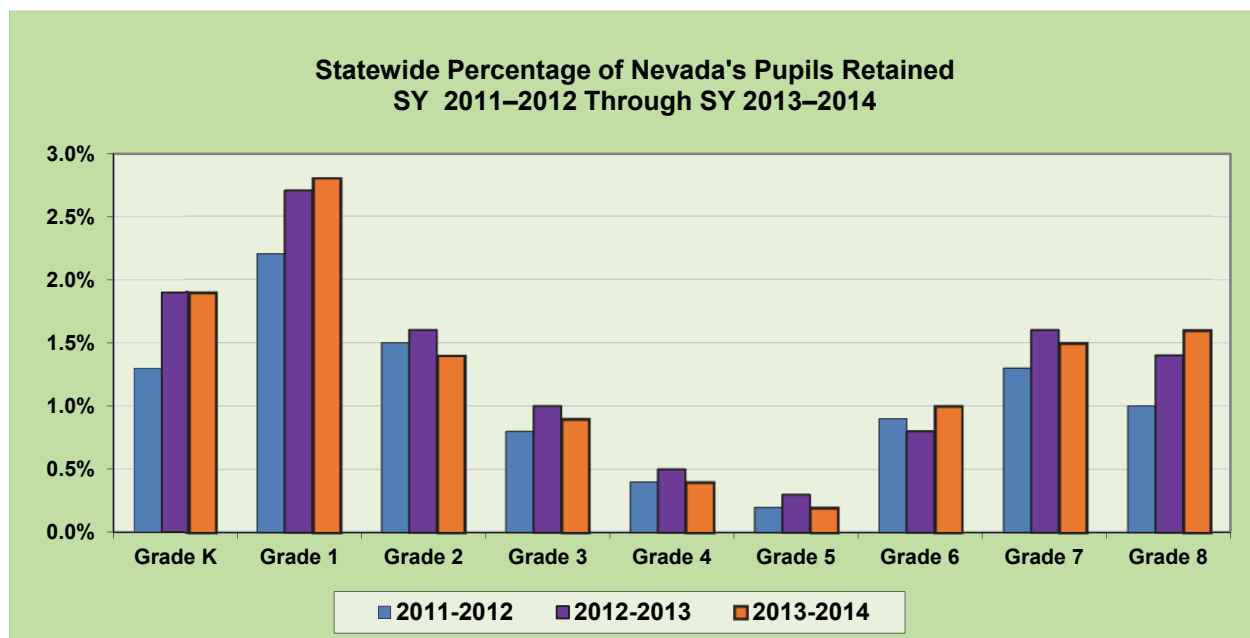


\*Public charter schools sponsored by the State Public Charter School Authority



Source: Nevada's Department of Education (NDE), *Nevada Annual Reports of Accountability*, <http://www.NevadaReportCard.com>.

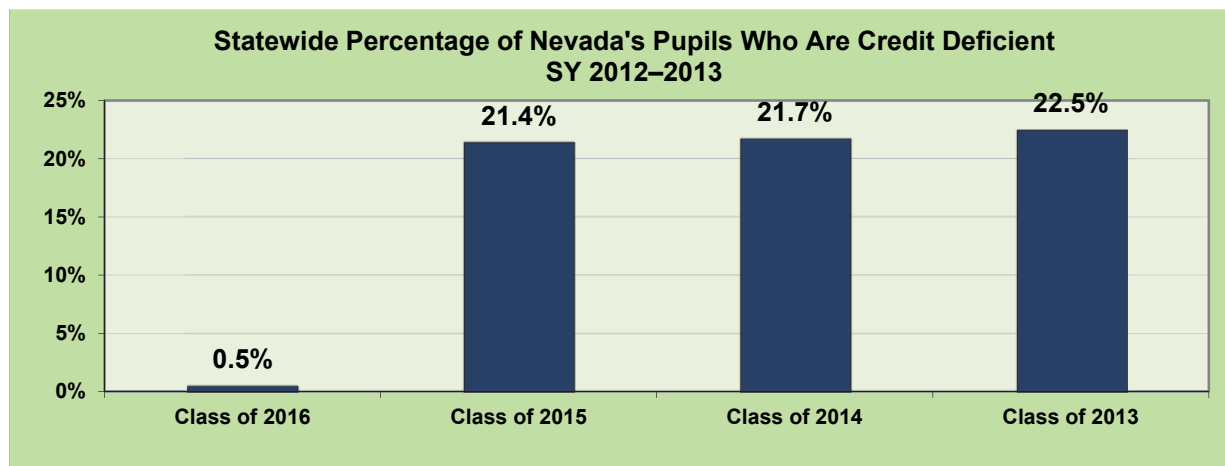
## Students—Retention



| Statewide Percentage of Nevada's Pupils Retained |           |           |           |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|                                                  | 2011–2012 | 2012–2013 | 2013–2014 |
| Grade K                                          | 1.3%      | 1.9%      | 1.9%      |
| Grade 1                                          | 2.2%      | 2.7%      | 2.8%      |
| Grade 2                                          | 1.5%      | 1.6%      | 1.4%      |
| Grade 3                                          | 0.8%      | 1.0%      | 0.9%      |
| Grade 4                                          | 0.4%      | 0.5%      | 0.4%      |
| Grade 5                                          | 0.2%      | 0.3%      | 0.2%      |
| Grade 6                                          | 0.9%      | 0.8%      | 1.0%      |
| Grade 7                                          | 1.3%      | 1.6%      | 1.5%      |
| Grade 8                                          | 1.0%      | 1.4%      | 1.6%      |

Source: NDE, *Nevada Annual Reports of Accountability*, <http://www.NevadaReportCard.com>.

## Students—Credit Deficiencies



| Number and Percentage of Nevada's Students Who Are Credit Deficient by Class<br>SY 2013–2014 |               |             |               |              |               |              |               |              |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
|                                                                                              | Class of 2017 |             | Class of 2016 |              | Class of 2015 |              | Class of 2014 |              |
|                                                                                              | Number        | Percent     | Number        | Percent      | Number        | Percent      | Number        | Percent      |
| <b>Carson City</b>                                                                           | N/A           | N/A         | N/A           | N/A          | N/A           | N/A          | N/A           | N/A          |
| <b>Churchill</b>                                                                             | N/A           | N/A         | N/A           | N/A          | N/A           | N/A          | *             | *            |
| <b>Clark</b>                                                                                 | N/A           | N/A         | 3,592         | 15.2%        | 4,663         | 20.6%        | 4,885         | 22.5%        |
| <b>Douglas</b>                                                                               | *             | *           | 21            | 3.5%         | 18            | 4.0%         | 17            | 4.1%         |
| <b>Elko</b>                                                                                  | 11            | 1.4%        | 84            | 11.0%        | 106           | 14.3%        | 62            | 8.8%         |
| <b>Esmeralda</b>                                                                             | N/A           | N/A         | N/A           | N/A          | N/A           | N/A          | N/A           | N/A          |
| <b>Eureka</b>                                                                                | 0             | 0.0%        | 0             | 0.0%         | 0             | 0.0%         | 0             | 0.0%         |
| <b>Humboldt</b>                                                                              | 50            | 20.2%       | 44            | 18.3%        | 37            | 14.7%        | *             | *            |
| <b>Lander</b>                                                                                | 0             | 0.0%        | 0             | 0.0%         | 0             | 0.0%         | *             | *            |
| <b>Lincoln</b>                                                                               | 0             | 0.0%        | 0             | 0.0%         | 0             | 0.0%         | 0             | 0.0%         |
| <b>Lyon</b>                                                                                  | 17            | 2.7%        | 39            | 6.6%         | 42            | 7.5%         | 24            | 4.3%         |
| <b>Mineral</b>                                                                               | 0             | 0.0%        | 0             | 0.0%         | 0             | 0.0%         | 0             | 0.0%         |
| <b>Nye</b>                                                                                   | 0             | 0.0%        | 0             | 0.0%         | 0             | 0.0%         | 16            | 4.0%         |
| <b>Pershing</b>                                                                              | 0             | 0.0%        | *             | *            | *             | *            | 0             | 0.0%         |
| <b>Storey</b>                                                                                | *             | *           | *             | 0.0%         | 0             | 0.0%         | 0             | 0.0%         |
| <b>Washoe</b>                                                                                | N/A           | N/A         | 689           | 14.4%        | 1,023         | 22.4%        | 1,165         | 25.5%        |
| <b>White Pine</b>                                                                            | 0             | 0.0%        | 0             | 0.0%         | 0             | 0.0%         | 11            | 9.5%         |
| <b>SPCSA Charter Schools</b>                                                                 | 156           | 13.7%       | 148           | 15.3%        | 99            | 9.9%         | 38            | 4.9%         |
| <b>Statewide</b>                                                                             | <b>242</b>    | <b>0.7%</b> | <b>4,737</b>  | <b>14.0%</b> | <b>6,287</b>  | <b>19.2%</b> | <b>6,631</b>  | <b>21.1%</b> |

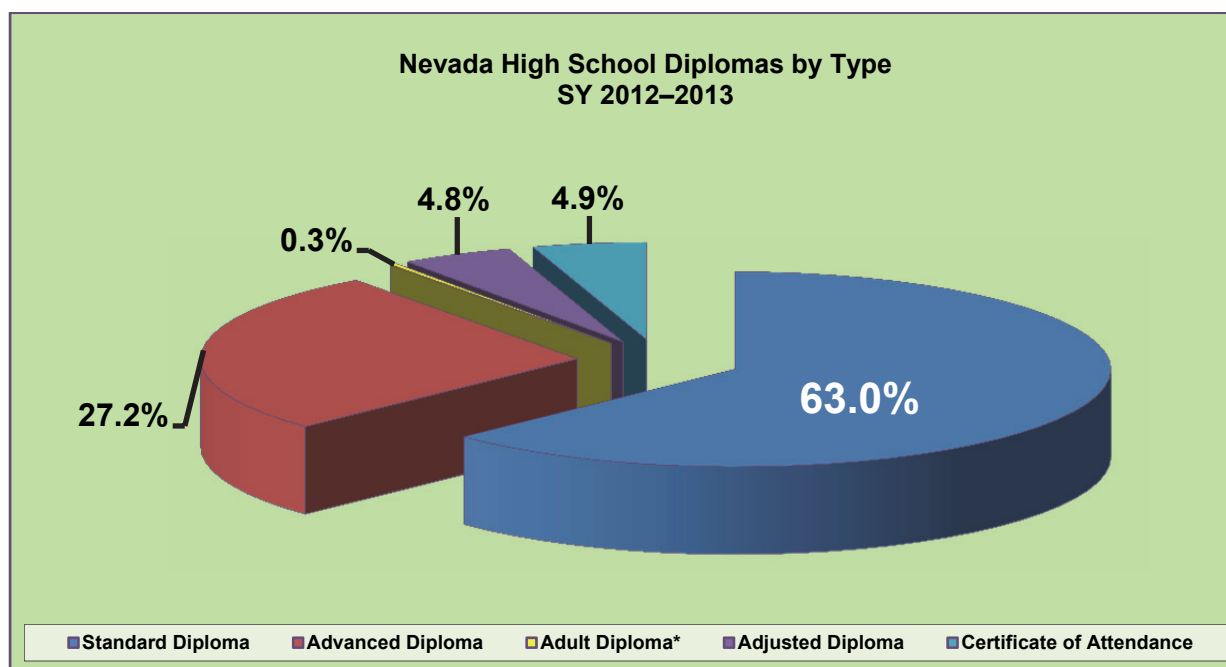
\*Data not presented for groups fewer than 10. This data is suppressed due to FERPA (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act) regulations.

"N/A" indicates that this data was not available.

**Note:** Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 389.048 and NAC 389.659 authorize school districts to promote high school students to the next grade based upon credit sufficiency or length of attendance. District totals do not include State or district sponsored charter school data.

**Source:** NDE, Nevada Annual Reports of Accountability, <http://www.NevadaReportCard.com>.

## Students—High School Diplomas



**STATEWIDE PERCENTAGE OF HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS BY TYPE  
SY 2005–2006 THROUGH SY 2012–2013**

|                  | Standard Diploma | Advanced Diploma | Adult Diploma* | Adjusted Diploma | Certificate of Attendance |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>2012–2013</b> | 62.8%            | 27.2%            | 0.3%           | 4.8%             | 4.9%                      |
| <b>2011–2012</b> | 62.1%            | 26.3%            | 0.4%           | 5.1%             | 6.1%                      |
| <b>2010–2011</b> | 63.0%            | 25.8%            | 0.4%           | 5.5%             | 5.3%                      |
| <b>2009–2010</b> | 72.3%            | 16.7%            | 0.4%           | 5.2%             | 5.5%                      |
| <b>2008–2009</b> | 71.0%            | 17.6%            | 0.3%           | 6.0%             | 5.1%                      |
| <b>2007–2008</b> | 63.5%            | 24.6%            | 0.5%           | 6.2%             | 5.2%                      |
| <b>2006–2007</b> | 62.2%            | 24.8%            | 0.3%           | 6.6%             | 6.1%                      |
| <b>2005–2006</b> | 62.9%            | 25.0%            | 0.5%           | 6.6%             | 5.0%                      |

\*Adult diplomas issued to twelfth grade students enrolled in a program of alternative education are included in these figures.

**Source:** NDE, *Nevada Annual Reports of Accountability*, <http://www.NevadaReportCard.com>.

## Students—Standard Diploma Graduation Requirements, Graduation Rates, and Dropout Rates

The table on pages 37 and 38 shows credit requirements for graduation, high school exit exam requirements, graduation rates, and dropout rates for each of the 50 states and the District of Columbia.

### CREDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION

The number of credits required for high school graduation varies by state. Texas has the highest requirement at 26 credits. Twelve states and the District of Columbia require 24 credits for graduation. These include Alabama, Florida, Hawaii, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oregon, South Carolina, Utah, and West Virginia. At the other end of the spectrum, California, Wisconsin, and Wyoming require 13 credits to graduate. Currently, Nevada requires at least 22.5 credits, with a minimum of 4 credits in English language arts, 3 credits in mathematics, 2 credits in social studies, and 2 credits in science. An advanced diploma in Nevada requires 24 credits with additional credits in math, science, and social studies.

**Source:** United States Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Digest of Education Statistics 2013*, Table 234.30.

### HIGH SCHOOL EXIT EXAM

Nevada and 24 other states require students to pass an exit examination in order to graduate. However, Nevada's High School Proficiency Exam (HSPE) is currently being phased out. It will be replaced with end-of-course exams in key subjects and a college and career readiness assessment that students must take, but will not be required to pass for graduation.

**Source:** U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Digest of Education Statistics 2013*, Table 234.30.

### GRADUATION RATES

Nevada uses the Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate (ACGR) to report high school graduation rates. School Year 2014–2015 will be the third year Nevada has calculated its graduation rate using this new formula as required by the U.S. Department of Education.

The ACGR is essentially the rate at which ninth graders graduate by the end of the twelfth grade; that is, the number of students who graduate in four years with a regular high school diploma divided by the number of students who form the adjusted cohort for the graduating class. Although all 50 states now report their graduation rates using this formula,

## Students—Standard Diploma Graduation Requirements, Graduation Rates, and Dropout Rates (*continued*)

states award different types of high school diplomas to their students, and graduation requirements vary considerably from state to state.

According to the National Center for Education Statistics, U.S. Department of Education, an estimated 80 percent of all public school students in the nation graduated from high school with a regular diploma in SY 2011–2012; that is, four out of five students in the U.S. received a regular diploma within four years of starting ninth grade for the first time. However, significant disparities persist. In SY 2011–2012, the four-year ACGR among American Indian/Alaska Native, Black, and Hispanic students was below the national average at 67, 69, and 73 percent, respectively. The ACGR among White and Asian students was above the national average at 86 and 88 percent, respectively. A similar trend is evident in Nevada's graduation rates.

National leaders in high school graduation are Iowa, Nebraska, Texas, Vermont, and Wisconsin. In contrast, the graduation rate falls below 70 percent in the District of Columbia (59 percent), **Nevada (63 percent)**, and Oregon (68 percent).

More recent State-level data shows that Nevada's graduation rate increased from 63 percent in SY 2012–2013 to 70.6 percent in SY 2013–2014. With this increase, Nevada schools graduated 1,967 more students in 2014 than in 2013. Twelve school districts improved their graduation rates in 2014, while Clark, Eureka, and Nye Counties, as well as the Nevada State Public Charter School Authority, increased their graduation rates by 10 percentage points or more.

### DROPOUT RATE

The dropout rate is the Event Dropout Rate (EDR). The EDR shown for grades 9 through 12 for each jurisdiction is calculated by dividing the number of students who drop out of these grades by the number of students who enrolled in these grades at the beginning of the school year.

From SY 2010–2011 to SY 2011–2012, the EDR for the U.S. remained constant at 3.3 percent. The states with the lowest dropout rates for SY 2011–2012 were New Hampshire (1.3 percent), New Jersey and Alabama (1.4 percent), and Utah (1.5 percent). Alaska had the highest dropout rate in the country at 7.0 percent, and Michigan came in second with a dropout rate of 6.9 percent. In SY 2011–2012 Nevada had a dropout rate of 3.9 percent.

**Source:** U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Public High School Four-Year On-Time Graduation Rates and Event Dropout Rates: School Years 2010–11 and 2011–12, First Look*, April 2014.

# Students—Standard Diploma Graduation Requirements, Graduation Rates, and Dropout Rates *(continued)*

|                      | GRADUATION RATE | DROPOUT RATE (GRADES 9–12) | STANDARD HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS |            |                |            |            | HIGH SCHOOL EXIT EXAM |
|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------|----------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|
|                      | SY 2011–2012    | SY 2011–2012               | TOTAL CREDITS                                | ENGLISH    | SOCIAL STUDIES | SCIENCE    | MATH       | YES/NO                |
| <b>UNITED STATES</b> | <b>80</b>       | <b>3.3</b>                 | <b>N/A</b>                                   | <b>N/A</b> | <b>N/A</b>     | <b>N/A</b> | <b>N/A</b> | <b>N/A</b>            |
| ALABAMA              | 75              | 1.4                        | 24                                           | 4          | 4              | 4          | 4          | YES                   |
| ALASKA               | 70              | 7.0                        | 21                                           | 4          | 3              | 2          | 2          | YES                   |
| ARIZONA              | 76              | 5.9                        | 22                                           | 4          | 3              | 3          | 4          | YES                   |
| ARKANSAS             | 84              | 3.2                        | 22                                           | 4          | 3              | 3          | 4          | YES                   |
| CALIFORNIA           | 78              | 4.0                        | 13                                           | 3          | 3              | 2          | 2          | YES                   |
| COLORADO             | 75              | 4.9                        | ESTABLISHED BY LOCAL BOARDS                  |            |                |            |            | NO                    |
| CONNECTICUT          | 85              | 2.1                        | 20                                           | 4          | 3              | 2          | 3          | NO                    |
| DELAWARE             | 80              | 3.5                        | 22                                           | 4          | 3              | 3          | 4          | NO                    |
| DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA | 59              | 5.8                        | 24                                           | 4          | 4              | 4          | 4          | NO                    |
| FLORIDA              | 75              | 2.1                        | 24                                           | 4          | 3              | 3          | 4          | YES                   |
| GEORGIA              | 70              | 3.9                        | 23                                           | 4          | 3              | 4          | 4          | YES                   |
| HAWAII               | 82              | 4.7                        | 24                                           | 4          | 4              | 4          | 3          | NO                    |
| IDAHO                | N/A             | 1.9                        | 23                                           | 4.5        | 2.5            | 3          | 3          | YES                   |
| ILLINOIS             | 82              | 2.4                        | 16                                           | 4          | 2              | 2          | 3          | NO                    |
| INDIANA              | 86              | 2.1                        | 20                                           | 4          | 3              | 3          | 3          | YES                   |
| IOWA                 | 89              | 3.2                        | 14                                           | 4          | 3              | 3          | 3          | NO                    |
| KANSAS               | 85              | 2.1                        | 21                                           | 4          | 3              | 3          | 3          | NO                    |
| KENTUCKY             | N/A             | 2.5                        | 22                                           | 4          | 3              | 3          | 3          | NO                    |
| LOUISIANA            | 72              | 5.7                        | 24                                           | 4          | 4              | 4          | 4          | YES                   |
| MAINE                | 85              | 3.2                        | 16                                           | 4          | 2              | 2          | 2          | NO                    |
| MARYLAND             | 84              | 3.8                        | 21                                           | 4          | 3              | 3          | 3          | YES                   |
| MASSACHUSETTS        | 85              | 2.5                        | ESTABLISHED BY LOCAL BOARDS                  |            |                |            |            | YES                   |
| MICHIGAN             | 76              | 6.9                        | 16                                           | 4          | 3              | 3          | 4          | NO                    |
| MINNESOTA            | 78              | 1.9                        | 21.5                                         | 4          | 3.5            | 3          | 3          | YES                   |
| MISSISSIPPI          | 75              | 3.2                        | 24                                           | 4          | 4              | 4          | 3          | YES                   |
| MISSOURI             | 86              | 2.9                        | 24                                           | 4          | 3              | 3          | 3          | NO                    |
| MONTANA              | 84              | 4.1                        | 20                                           | 4          | 2              | 2          | 2          | NO                    |
| NEBRASKA             | 88              | 2.2                        | ESTABLISHED BY LOCAL BOARDS                  |            |                |            |            | NO                    |
| <b>NEVADA</b>        | <b>63</b>       | <b>3.9</b>                 | <b>22.5</b>                                  | <b>4</b>   | <b>2</b>       | <b>2</b>   | <b>3</b>   | <b>YES</b>            |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE        | 86              | 1.3                        | 20                                           | 4          | 2.5            | 2          | 3          | NO                    |
| NEW JERSEY           | 86              | 1.4                        | 24                                           | 4          | 3              | 3          | 4          | YES                   |
| NEW MEXICO           | 70              | 6.4                        | 24                                           | 4          | 3.5            | 3          | 3          | YES                   |
| NEW YORK             | 77              | 3.8                        | 22                                           | 4          | 4              | 3          | 4          | YES                   |
| NORTH CAROLINA       | 80              | 3.1                        | 21                                           | 4          | 3              | 3          | 3          | NO                    |
| NORTH DAKOTA         | 87              | 3.0                        | 22                                           | 4          | 3              | 3          | 3          | NO                    |
| OHIO                 | 81              | 4.6                        | 20                                           | 4          | 3              | 3          | 3          | YES                   |
| OKLAHOMA             | N/A             | 2.5                        | 23                                           | 4          | 3              | 3          | 3          | YES                   |

## Students—Standard Diploma, Graduation Requirements, Graduation Rates, and Dropout Rates (*continued*)

|                | GRADUATION RATE | DROPOUT RATE (GRADES 9–12) | STANDARD HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS |         |                |         |      | HIGH SCHOOL EXIT EXAM |
|----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------------------|---------|----------------|---------|------|-----------------------|
|                | SY 2011–2012    | SY 2011–2012               | TOTAL CREDITS                                | ENGLISH | SOCIAL STUDIES | SCIENCE | MATH | YES/NO                |
| OREGON         | 68              | 3.4                        | 24                                           | 4       | 3              | 3       | 3    | NO                    |
| PENNSYLVANIA   | 84              | 2.8                        | ESTABLISHED BY LOCAL BOARDS                  |         |                |         |      | NO                    |
| RHODE ISLAND   | 77              | 4.2                        | 20                                           | 4       | 3              | 3       | 4    | NO                    |
| SOUTH CAROLINA | 75              | 2.5                        | 24                                           | 4       | 3              | 3       | 4    | YES                   |
| SOUTH DAKOTA   | 83              | 3.1                        | 22                                           | 4       | 3              | 3       | 3    | NO                    |
| TENNESSEE      | 87              | 3.7                        | 22                                           | 4       | 3              | 3       | 4    | NO                    |
| TEXAS          | 88              | 2.5                        | 26                                           | 4       | 4              | 4       | 4    | YES                   |
| UTAH           | 80              | 1.5                        | 24                                           | 4       | 3              | 3       | 3    | NO                    |
| VERMONT        | 88              | 2.5                        | 20                                           | 4       | 3              | 3       | 3    | NO                    |
| VIRGINIA       | 83              | 1.9                        | 22                                           | 4       | 3              | 3       | 3    | YES                   |
| WASHINGTON     | 77              | 3.8                        | 20                                           | 3       | 2.5            | 2       | 3    | YES                   |
| WEST VIRGINIA  | 79              | 2.7                        | 24                                           | 4       | 4              | 3       | 4    | NO                    |
| WISCONSIN      | 88              | 1.9                        | 13                                           | 4       | 3              | 2       | 2    | NO                    |
| WYOMING        | 79              | 4.3                        | 13                                           | 4       | 3              | 3       | 3    | NO                    |

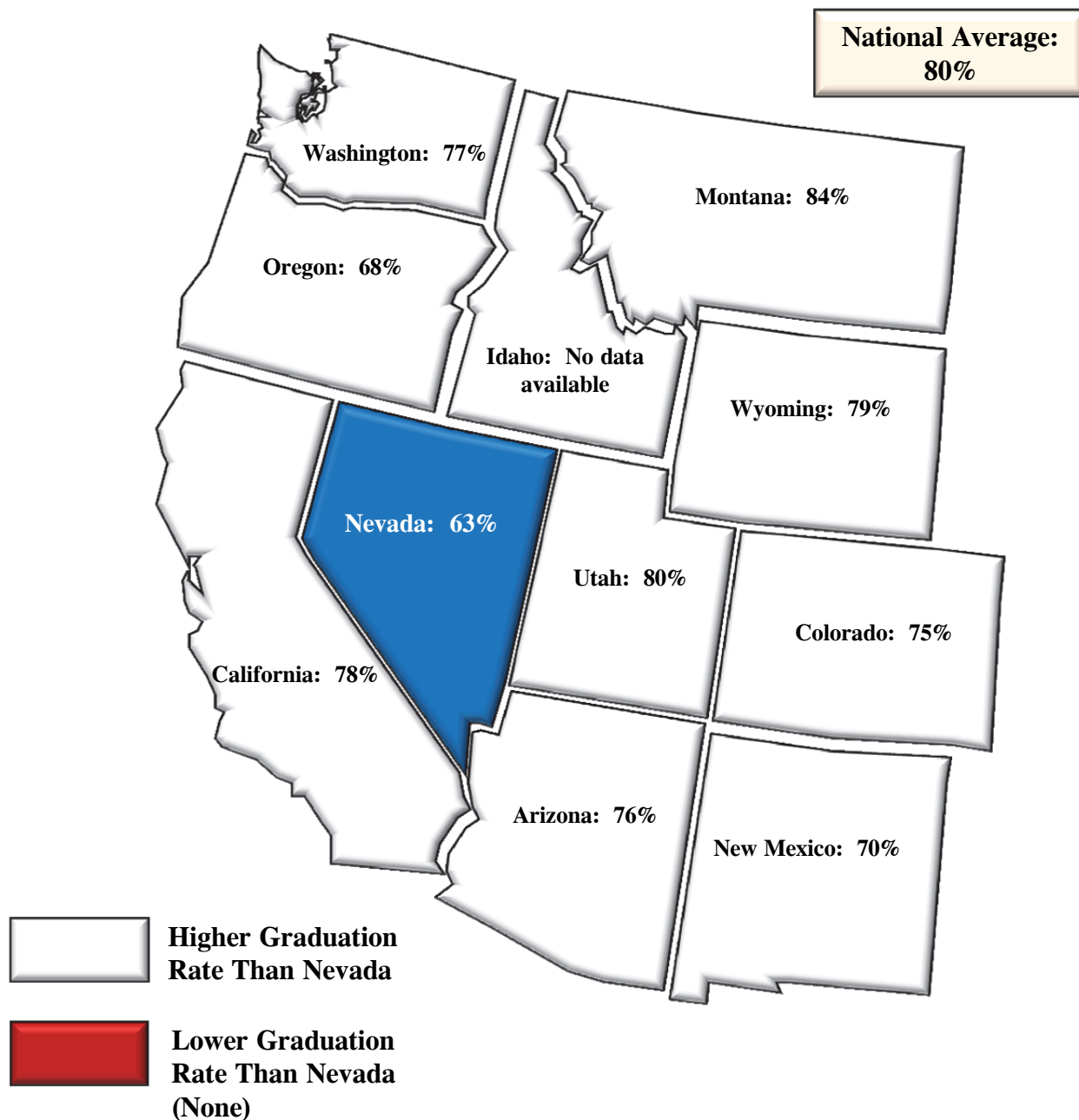


The average salary paid to teachers in Nevada's public schools in 1863 was about \$48 per month (roughly \$905 in today's dollars), which was less than half the average wage paid to miners.



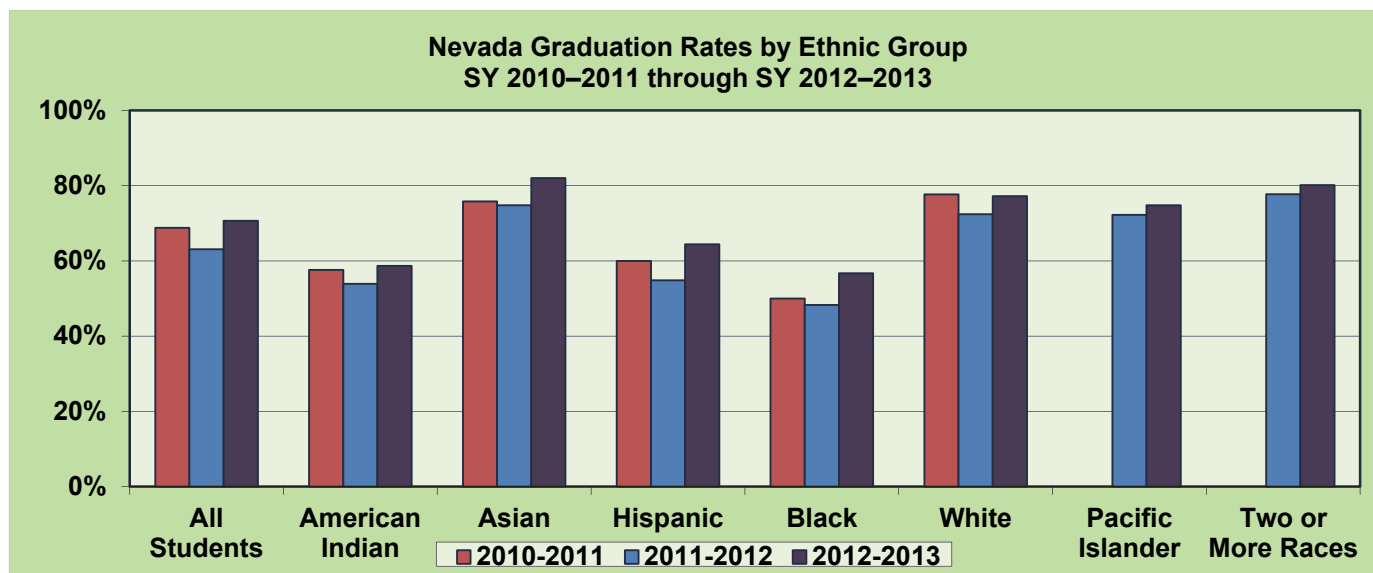
## Students—Graduation Rates

### PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL FOUR-YEAR ADJUSTED COHORT GRADUATION RATE WESTERN STATES COMPARISON SY 2011–2012



**Note:** The four-year adjusted cohort graduation rate is the number of students who graduate in four years with a regular high school diploma, divided by the number of students who form the adjusted cohort for that graduating class.

**Source:** U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Public High School Four-Year On-Time Graduation Rates and Event Dropout Rates: School Years 2010–11 and 2011–12, First Look*, April 2014.

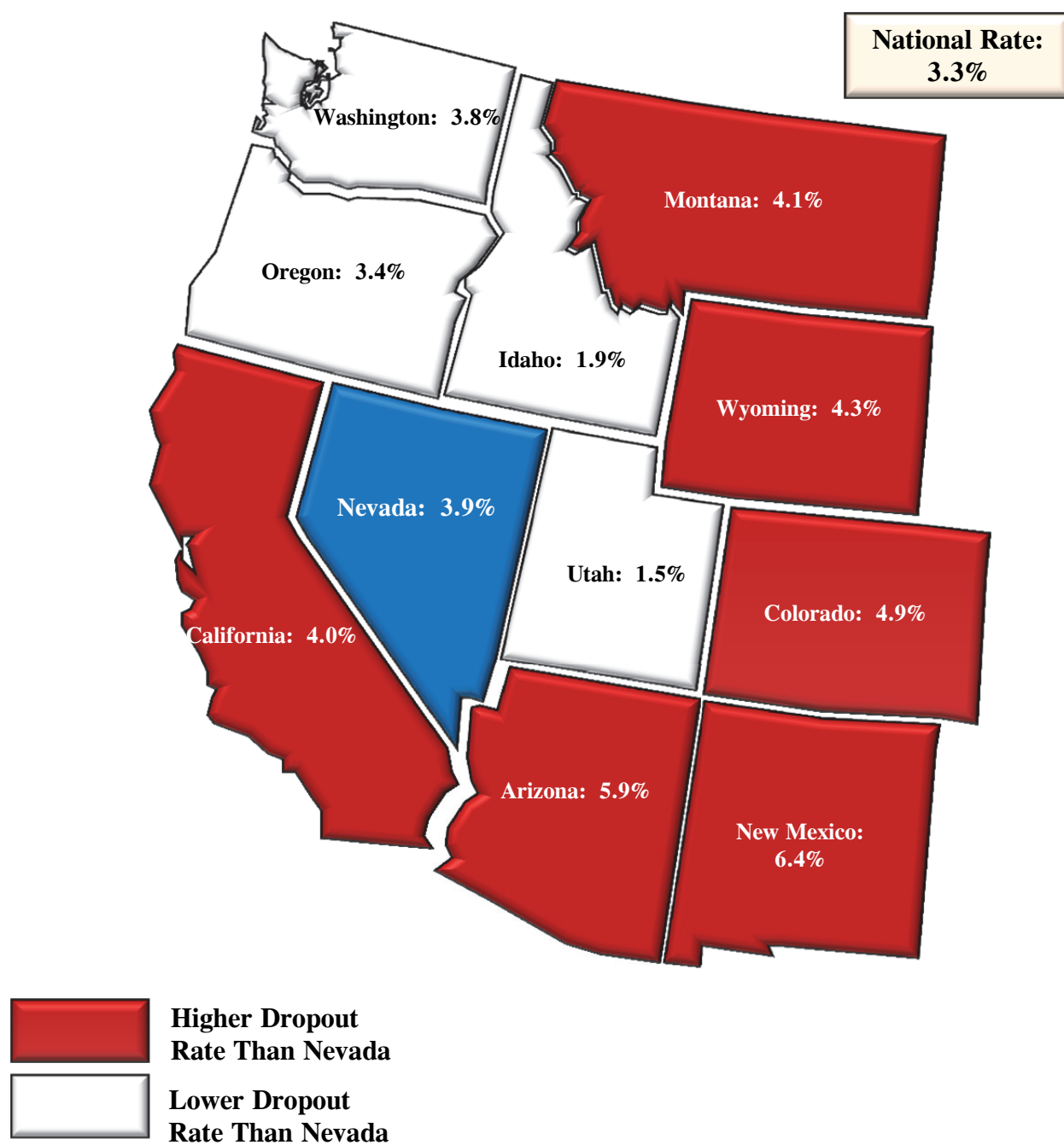
Students—Graduation Rates (*continued*)

| Nevada Graduation Rates by Ethnic Group |              |              |              |              |           |           |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|
|                                         | 2007–2008    | 2008–2009    | 2009–2010    | 2010–2011    | 2011–2012 | 2012–2013 |
| <b>All Students</b>                     | 68.7%        | 71.3%        | 70.3%        | 68.8%        | 63.1%     | 70.7%     |
| <b>American Indian</b>                  | 58.0%        | 64.6%        | 64.1%        | 57.6%        | 53.9%     | 58.7%     |
| <b>Asian</b>                            | 80.7%        | 82.0%        | 81.3%        | 75.8%        | 74.8%     | 82.0%     |
| <b>Hispanic</b>                         | 57.0%        | 60.5%        | 60.3%        | 60.0%        | 54.9%     | 64.4%     |
| <b>Black</b>                            | 54.5%        | 57.7%        | 57.6%        | 50.0%        | 48.3%     | 56.7%     |
| <b>White</b>                            | 76.8%        | 79.2%        | 78.4%        | 77.7%        | 72.4%     | 77.2%     |
| <b>Pacific Islander</b>                 | Not Reported | Not Reported | Not Reported | Not Reported | 72.2%     | 74.8%     |
| <b>Two or More Races</b>                | Not Reported | Not Reported | Not Reported | Not Reported | 77.7%     | 80.1%     |

Source: NDE, *Nevada Annual Reports of Accountability*, <http://www.NevadaReportCard.com>.

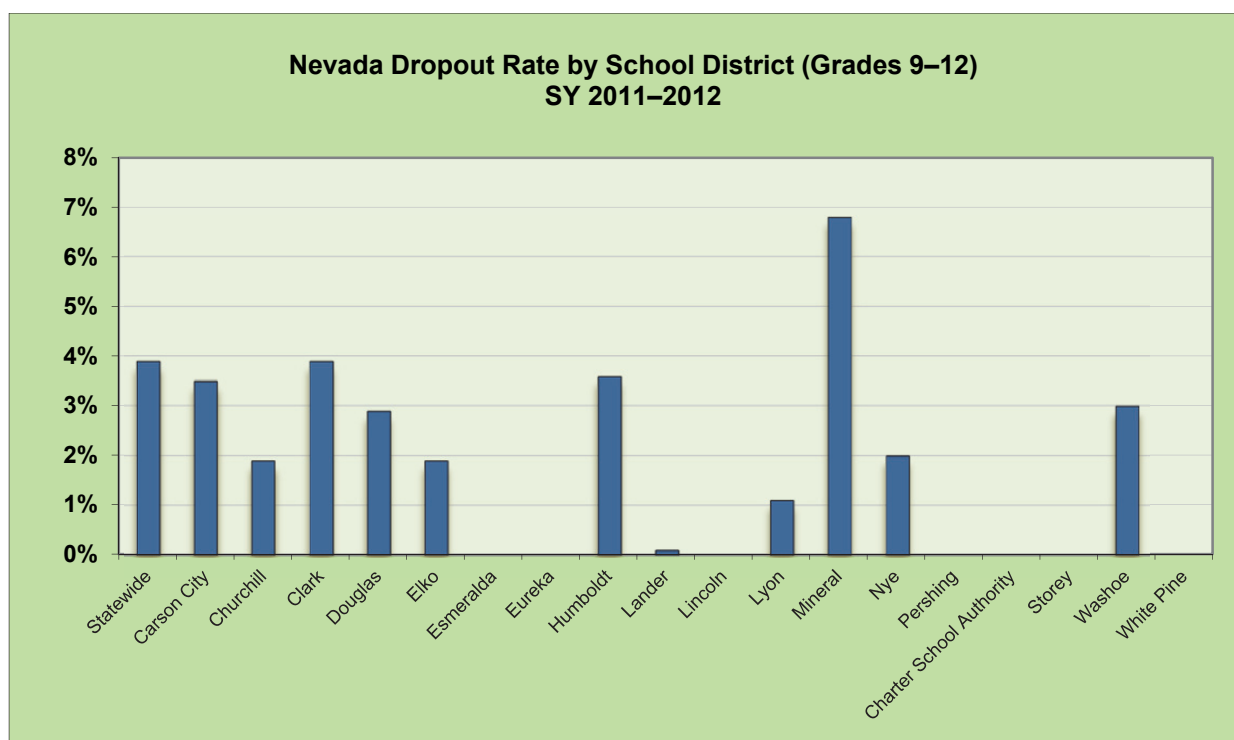
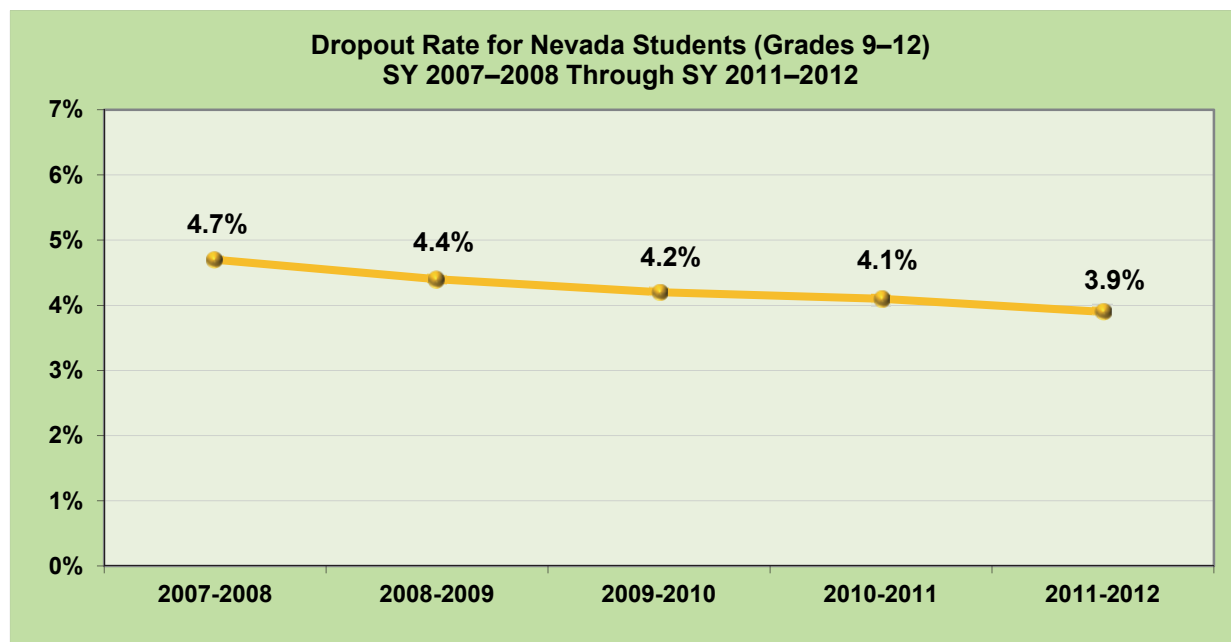
## Students—Dropout Rates

**PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL DROPOUT RATES  
WESTERN STATES COMPARISON  
SY 2011–2012**



**Source:** U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Public High School Four-Year On-Time Graduation Rates and Event Dropout Rates: School Years 2010–11 and 2011–12, First Look*, April 2014.

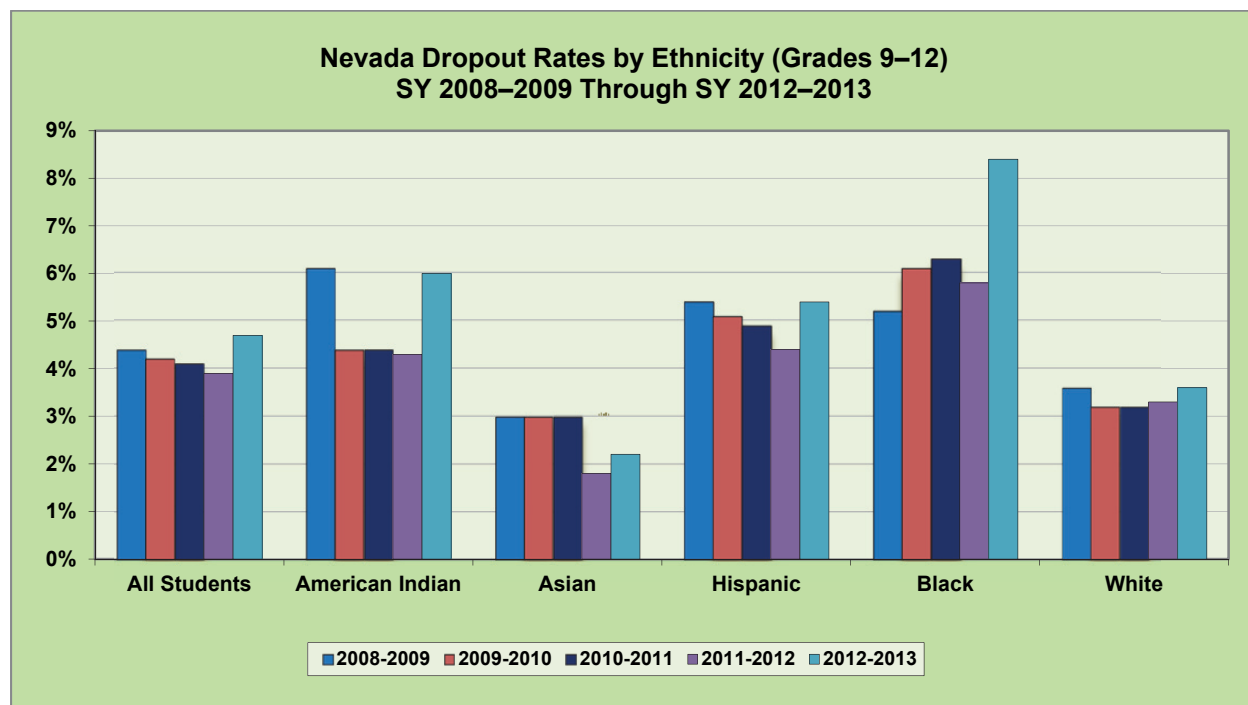
## Students—Dropout Rates (*continued*)



**Note:** Data from school districts with less than 10 students who dropped out are not reported. Esmeralda County School District does not provide instruction in grades 9 through 12. The State Public Charter School Authority is responsible for 16 public charter schools.

**Source:** NDE, *Nevada Annual Reports of Accountability*, <http://www.NevadaReportCard.com>.

### Students—Dropout Rates (*continued*)



| Dropout Rates by Ethnicity |           |           |           |           |           |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|                            | 2007–2008 | 2008–2009 | 2009–2010 | 2010–2011 | 2011–2012 | 2012–2013 |
| All Students               | 4.7%      | 4.4%      | 4.2%      | 4.1%      | 3.9%      | 4.7%      |
| American Indian            | 5.5%      | 6.1%      | 4.4%      | 4.4%      | 4.3%      | 6.0%      |
| Asian                      | 3.2%      | 3.0%      | 3.0%      | 3.0%      | 1.8%      | 2.2%      |
| Hispanic                   | 6.2%      | 5.4%      | 5.1%      | 4.9%      | 4.4%      | 5.4%      |
| Black                      | 6.4%      | 5.2%      | 6.1%      | 6.3%      | 5.8%      | 8.4%      |
| White                      | 3.6%      | 3.6%      | 3.2%      | 3.2%      | 3.3%      | 3.6%      |
| Pacific Islander           | N/A       | N/A       | N/A       | N/A       | 4.2%      | 4.8%      |
| Two or More Races          | N/A       | N/A       | N/A       | N/A       | 3.1%      | 4.3%      |

Source: NDE, *Nevada Annual Reports of Accountability*, <http://www.NevadaReportCard.com>.