

## Public High School Graduation Rates 2008/2009

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State	# Schools <sup>1</sup>	# Students <sup>2</sup>	# Graduates <sup>2</sup>	Graduation Rate <sup>3</sup>	State Rank (1. is best; 50. is worst)
A.	B.	C.	D.	E.	F.
1. Alabama	1,629	739,198	41,346	69.0	43
2. Alaska	516	130,684	7,855	69.1	42
3. Arizona	2,172	1,077,872	61,667	70.7	41
4. Arkansas	1,133	456,795	28,725	76.4	25
5. California	10,198	6,252,031	374,561	71.2	39
6. Colorado	1,783	818,443	46,082	75.4	30
7. Connecticut	1,135	575,287	38,419	82.2	12
8. Delaware	243	125,430	7,388	72.1	37
9. Florida	4,360	2,631,631	149,046	66.9	44
10. Georgia	2,601	1,655,765	83,505	65.4	46
11. Hawaii	290	179,071	11,613	76.0	28
12. Idaho	749	275,075	16,567	80.1	17
13. Illinois	4,447	2,112,132	135,143	80.4	15
14. Indiana	1,983	1,045,551	61,901	74.1	34
15. Iowa	1,542	487,559	34,573	86.4	3
16. Kansas	1,461	474,987	30,737	79.1	18
17. Kentucky	1,568	650,008	39,339	74.4	32
18. Louisiana	1,559	684,873	34,401	63.5	48
19. Maine	681	194,460	14,350	79.1	19
20. Maryland	1,465	843,861	59,171	80.4	16
21. Massachusetts	1,901	958,187	65,197	81.5	14
22. Michigan	4,204	1,682,738	115,183	76.3	27
23. Minnesota	2,756	819,207	60,409	86.4	4
24. Mississippi	1,074	495,665	24,795	63.9	47
25. Missouri	2,438	892,283	61,717	82.4	11
26. Montana	833	141,969	10,396	82.0	13
27. Nebraska	1,194	292,043	20,035	83.8	7
<b>Worst</b> 28. Nevada	634	437,433	17,149	51.3	50
29. New Hampshire	489	199,305	14,982	83.4	9
30. New Jersey	2,619	1,377,728	94,994	84.6	5
31. New Mexico	853	327,580	18,264	66.8	45
32. New York	4,768	2,711,603	176,310	70.8	40
33. North Carolina	2,562	1,426,729	83,307	72.8	36
34. North Dakota	534	93,396	6,999	83.8	8
35. Ohio	4,053	1,900,210	120,758	79.0	20
36. Oklahoma	1,812	644,754	37,630	78.0	21
37. Oregon	1,322	564,064	34,949	76.7	24
38. Pennsylvania	3,348	1,806,969	130,298	82.7	10
39. Rhode Island	336	145,342	10,347	76.4	26
40. South Carolina	1,206	707,739	35,108	58.9*	49
41. South Dakota	750	122,997	8,582	84.4	6
42. Tennessee	1,731	913,500	57,486	74.9	31
43. Texas	9,082	4,728,204	252,121	73.1	35
44. Utah	1,065	489,004	28,167	74.3	33
45. Vermont	330	92,908	7,392	89.3	2
46. Virginia	2,256	1,240,623	77,369	77.0	23
47. Washington	2,355	1,038,620	61,625	71.9	38
48. West Virginia	781	281,908	17,489	77.3	22
<b>Best</b> 49. Wisconsin	2,317	873,586	65,183	89.6	1
50. Wyoming	387	86,519	5,494	76.0	29
<b>Total</b>	<b>98,752</b>	<b>48,903,526</b>	<b>2,996,124</b>		

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<sup>1</sup> National Center for Education Statistics:: <http://nces.ed.gov/pubsearch/pubsinfo.asp?pubid=2010341/> (7-8-10)

<sup>2</sup> National Education Association: <http://www.nea.org/assets/docs/010rankings.pdf> (7-8-10)

<sup>3</sup> National Center for Education Statistics: <http://nces.ed.gov/pubsearch/pubsinfo.asp?pubid=2010341> (7-8-10) The graduation rate is determined by the Averaged Freshman Graduation Rate (AFGR), which is an estimate of the percentage of an entering freshman class graduating in 4 years. For 2007–08, it equals the total number of diploma recipients in 2007–08 divided by the average membership of the 8th-grade class in 2003–04, the 9th-grade class in 2004–05, and the 10th-grade class in 2005–06. \*South Carolina Graduation Rate is from 2006-2007.