## Strategic Data Project College-Going Diagnostic

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Final Analyses



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Sample: 2007-08 first-time ninth graders with nonmissing 8th grade test scores. Prior achievement is measured by 8th grade math test scores Post-secondary enrollment outcomes from NSC matched records. All other data from state administrative records

## $\mathbf{9}^{\text {th }}$ to $\mathbf{1 0}^{\text {th }}$ Grade Transition



## How SDP Defines On-Track to Graduation Status

Graduation requirements were determined using DEDOE guidelines for the 2007-08 ninth-grade cohort. The SDP definition of "on-track" was established based on the total number of credits required for high school graduation and through consultation with the SDP fellows.

On-Track Requirements

| Year in High School | Total Credits |
| :--- | :---: |
| First Year | 5 |
| Second Year | 11 |
| Third Year | 16 |
| Graduation | 22 |

For the first three on-track analyses, we restricted this sample to include only: 1) first-time ninth graders attending ninth grade at a public high school in the state, 2) students who did not transfer out of the state in high school, and 3) students who enrolled at a public high school in the state sequentially from one year to the next. We exclude non-sequential enrollers and transfer-out students, because we are unable to observe their credit accumulation completely.

For all subsequent on-track analyses, we restricted the sample to include all first-time ninth graders

## High School Graduation Rate of Students Ever Off Track in High School <br> State Average



Did Not Graduate On Time
Graduated On Time

Sample: 2007-08 first-time ninth-graders. Students who transferred out of the district are excluded from the sample. All data from administrative records. Results shown only for comprehensive, vocational, and magnet schools.

## When Students First Fall Off Track, Among Students Ever Off Track to Graduate



Sample: 2007-08 first-time ninth-graders. Students who transferred out of the district are excluded from the sample. All data from administrative records. Results shown only for comprehensive, vocational, and magnet schools.

High School Completion Status After 4 Years in High School,
By On-Track Status after 9th Grade By On-Track Status after 9th Grade

State Average


Status After 4 Years

- Graduated

Still Enrolled

- Dropped Out/Disappeared

Sample: 2007-08 first_time ninth-graders. Students who transferred out of the district are excluded from the sample. All data from administrative records. Results shown only for comprehensive, vocational, and magnet schools.

# Shares of Students Off Track after Ninth Grade, by Cohort State Average 



Sample: 2007-08 through 2010-11 first-time ninth graders. 2007-08: 8920 students; 2008-09: 9026 students; 2009-10: 9036 students; 2010-11: 8995 students; 2011-12: 8120 students. All data from state administrative records.

## Shares of Students Off Track after Ninth Grade, by High School 2008



Sample: 2008 first-time ninth graders. All data from state administrative records.

Share of Students Off Track after Ninth Grade, by Prior Achievement


Sample: 2007-08 through 2010-11 first-time ninth graders. All data from state administrative records.

## High School Graduation



## How SDP Calculates High School Graduation Rates

$\left.\begin{array}{|llll}\mathbf{2 0 1 0} \\ \text { Graduation } \\ \text { Rate }\end{array}=\frac{\text { Number of graduates by August 31, } 2010}{} \begin{array}{l}\text { First-time ninth graders } \\ \text { in 2006-07 }\end{array} \quad+\begin{array}{c}\text { Transfers into state after } \\ \text { ninth grade }\end{array} \quad-\begin{array}{c}\text { Transfers out of } \\ \text { state }\end{array}\right]$

## Analytic Details

## Transfers out of Delaware Public Schools

## High school assignments

We exclude from the analysis students who did not receive a diploma and whose last withdrawal code indicated a transfer out of the state's public school system (i.e. students who attend home school, private school transfer, transfer to another state, etc.). Students who simply disappear or whose withdrawal code is "unknown" are not considered transfer outs.

We assign students to their first high school attended in the state. Calculating school-level rates based on the students that each school first receives, addresses concerns of selection bias across schools related to variation in school dismissal policies.

On-Time High School Graduation Rates, By Prior Student Achievement By High School


Sample: 2007-08 first time ninth graders with 8th grade math test scores. Results shown for comprehensive, vocational, magnet, and charter schools. All data are from state administrative records.

# College Enrollment 



## How SDP Calculates College Enrollment Rates

| Number of students who graduated high school in 2009-10 <br> and enrolled in college as of October 1st, 2010 |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| College <br> Enrollment Rate$=$ | Total number of students who graduated high school in 2009-10 |

We also calculate college enrollment rates for "delayed" enrollers, using two calendar years from students' date of graduation as the effective cut-off date for determining their college enrollment status.

## Analytic Details

## Analytic Samples

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We report college enrollment rates for high school graduates from Delaware Public Schools. The graduation sample for most analyses includes students who graduated from high school during the 2007-08 through 2010-11 school years.

For college enrollment analyses, we assign students to their last high school attended in the state.

## College Enrollment by High School Seamless and Delayed Enrollers



Sample: 2007-08 through 2009-10 high school graduates. Results shown for comprehensive, vocational, magnet, and charter schools. Post-secondary enrollment outcomes from NSC matched records. All other data from administrative records. The national college enrollment enrolled in college as of October 2011. It is reported by the National Center for Education Bureau's Current Population Survey.
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College Enrollment Rates by High School By Prior Student Achievement, Seamless Enrollers Only


1 = A I duPont
2 =Appoquinimink
3 = Brandywine
4 = Caesar Rodney
5 = Calloway School
6 = Campus Community
7 = Cape Henlopen
$8=$ Charter Sch of Wilm
$9=$ Christiana
10 = Concord 11 = Conrad School 12 = Delaware Military 13 = Delcastle Tech 14 = Delmar Senior 15 = Dickinson 16 = Dover 17 = Glasgow $18=$ Hodgson Vo-Tech 19 = Howard HS of Tech
$20=$ Indian River
21 = Lake Forest
$22=$ Laurel
$23=$ McKean
$24=$ Middletown 25 = Milford $26=$ Mt Pleasant 27 = Newark $28=$ POLYTECH 29 = Pencader $30=$ Penn 31 = Seaford 32 = Smyrna $33=$ St Georges HS Tech 34 = Sussex Central $35=$ Sussex Tech $36=$ Woodbridge

## Seamless College Enrollment Rates by Prior Student Achievement By High School

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Sample: 2010-11 high school graduates with 8th grade math test scores. Results shown for comprehensive, vocational, magnet and charter schools. Post-secondary enrollment outcomes from NSC matched records. All data from state administrative records.

# College Choices of Highly Qualified High School Graduates by Race and FRPL status 



Sample: 2007-08 through 2010-11 graduates with SAT test scores. Highly-qualified graduates are defined as having a SAT combined (including Writing) score greater than or equal to 1550 . Sample includes 5412 students overall, 444 African American students, 132 Hispanic students, 450 Asian students, 4361 White students, and 593 students qualifying for FRPL. All data from administrative records and NCS matched records.

College/University Attended by DEDOE Graduates
Among Seamless Enrollers


Sample: 2007-08 through 2009-10 high school graduates. Results shown only for comprehensive, vocational, charter, and magnet schools. Post-secondary enrollment outcomes from NSC matched records. All other data from administrative records.

## College Persistence



## How SDP Calculates College Persistence Rates



## College Persistence to 2nd Year, by High School Seamless Enrollers by Type of College



Sample: 2007-08 through 2009-10 seamless college enrollers. Post-secondary enrollment outcomes from NSC matched records. All other data from state administrative records.

## College Persistence by Timing of College Enrollment



Sample: 2007-08 through 2008-09 high school graduates who enroll in college within two years of graduation.
Post-secondary enrollment outcomes from NSC matched records. All other data from district administrative records.

## College Persistence to 2nd Year <br> By First College Type



Sample: 2007-08 through 2009-10 high school graduates seamless college enrollers. Results shown only for comprehensive, vocational, charter, and magnet schools. Post-secondary enrollment outcomes from NSC matched records. All other data from state administrative records.

## College Persistence to 2nd Year <br> By First Enrollment Status



Sample: 2007-08 through 2009-10 high school graduates seamless college enrollers. Results shown for comprehensive, vocational, charter, and magnet schools. Post-secondary enrollment outcomes from NSC matched records. All other data from state administrative records.

## College Persistence to Second Year By College



Sample: 2007-08 through 2009-10 high school graduates seamless college enrollers. Results shown only for comprehensive, vocational, charter, and magnet schools. Post-secondary enrollment outcomes from NSC matched records. All other data from state administrative records.

## Appendix

Shares of Students Off Track after Ninth Grade, by High School


Sample: 2008 and 2011 first-time ninth graders. All data from state administrative records.

## College Enrollment by Enrollment Status <br> Seamless Enrollers at any College



Sample: 2007-08 through 2009-10 high school graduates from state high schools. Results shown for comprehensive, vocational, magnet, and charter schools. Post-secondary enrollment outcomes from NSC matched records. All other data from administrative records.

