

High School Graduation Rates of Youth in Foster Care Annual Report 2021

Foster Care Youth¹ Enrolled² in NYC Public Schools During SY 2020-2021

	Enrolled in Public Schools	
	Total	High School
Total	7,416	2,155
Age Group³		
13-15 yrs old	1,201	638
16-18 yrs old	1,361	1,296
19-20 yrs old	231	221
Gender		
Female	3,740	1,212
Male	3,676	943
Race/Ethnicity		
African American	3,733	1,102
Latinx	2,670	832
White	472	100
Asian	188	73
Other/Unknown	353	48

Foster Care Youth Enrolled in High School at the End of the School Year Who are On Track to Graduate⁴, SY 2020-2021

	Total	On Track to Graduate	
		In 4 Years	In 5 Years
Total	1,899	958	119
Age Group			
<14 yrs old	*	*	*
14-15 yrs old	532	369	*
16-18 yrs old	1,169	572	96
19-20 yrs old	198	17	23
Gender			
Female	1,083	564	74
Male	816	394	45
Race/Ethnicity			
African American	963	470	67
Latinx	747	372	45
White	88	55	*
Asian	65	42	*
Other/Unknown	36	19	*

¹ Includes youth in 24 hour care status, on trial discharge and absent from care.

² Enrollment data consider all students who enrolled at any point in the year between September 16, 2020 through July 1, 2020.

³ Age is calculated as of December 31, 2020.

⁴ "On track" status is measured by cohort and credit accumulation for each high school grade level as of August 31, 2021. Due to changes in grading policy during the COVID-19 pandemic, some students may have received extensions to complete coursework for classes taken in 2020-21; given the timing of these extensions, this report may not include all credits data for students who received extensions on courses taken between February and June 2021 and should be considered preliminary.

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Total	Age at Graduation					Gender		Race/Ethnicity				
	16	17	18	19	20	Female	Male	African American	Latinx	White	Asian	Other/Unk
252	*	111	82	34	*	171	81	133	77	*	22	*

Type of Diploma or Credential Received by Foster Care Youth, SY 2019-2020

	Total	Gender		Race/Ethnicity				
		Female	Male	African American	Latinx	White	Asian	Other/Unk
Total	252	171	81	133	77	*	22	*
Local High School Diploma	25	15	10	19	6	*	*	*
High School Regents Diploma	181	118	63	102	51	14	*	*
High School Regents Diploma with Honors	*	s	*	*	*	*	*	*
High School Advanced Regents Diploma	26	25	*	*	11	*	6	*
High School Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
High School Equivalency Diploma (GED) [D79 only]	14	7	7	7	*	*	*	*
Career Development and Occupational Studies Commencement Credential (CDOS)	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential (SACC)	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

Number of Years in High School before Graduation, Youth in Foster Care, SY 2019-2020

	Total	1 yr	2 yrs	3 yrs	4 yrs	5 yrs	6 yrs	7 yrs
	252	*	*	15	173	39	16	7
Gender								
Female	171	*	*	8	124	24	*	*
Male	81	*	*	7	49	15	*	*
Race/Ethnicity								
African American	133	*	*	10	90	20	8	*
Latinx	77	*	*	*	50	14	6	*
White	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian	22	*	*	*	18	*	*	*
Other/Unknown	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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Notes: (1) Graduation data consider all students who graduated in 2020 among students who were enrolled in SY 2019-2020.(2) Graduation data include all outcomes for students enrolled at any point in the year. (3) Graduation outcomes do not align with official graduation sources published by NY State which report 4-year, 5-year, and 6-year outcomes by cohort.