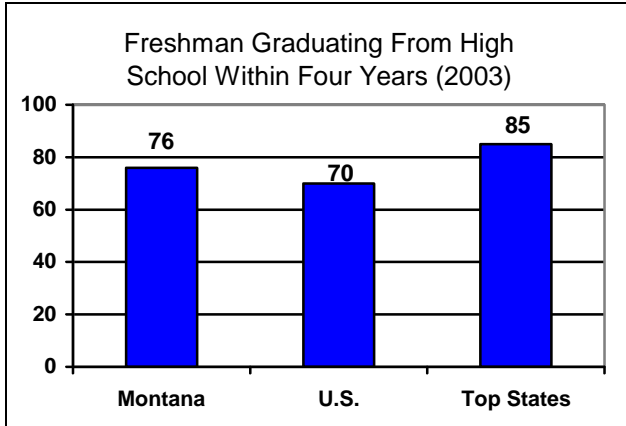


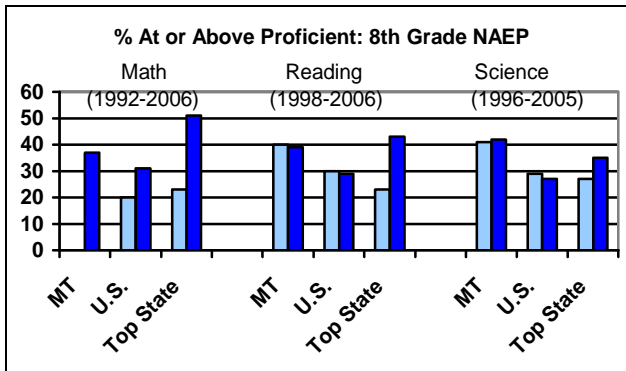
How is Montana's economy changing?

By 2012, 74% of Montana fastest growing jobs will require some college or training beyond high school, including a projected 6,600 jobs in the health care field.

How many students graduate on time from high school in Montana each year?



Are 8th-graders ready for high school?



Is the achievement gap in Montana closing in math and science?

% AT OR ABOVE PROFICIENT: NAEP			
8 th GRADE MATH	1992	2006	% Point Change
All	--	37%	--
White	--	41%	--
African American	--	--	--
American Indian	--	15%	--
8 th GRADE SCIENCE	2000	2005	% Point Change
All	44%	42%	-2
White	46%	45%	-1
African American	--	--	--
American Indian	21%	14%	-7

Are Montana high school students on the path to college?

Are 8th-graders taking Algebra (2005)?

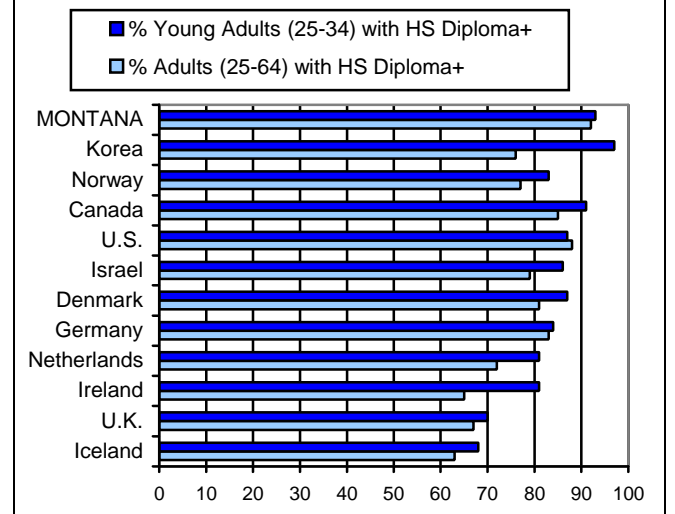
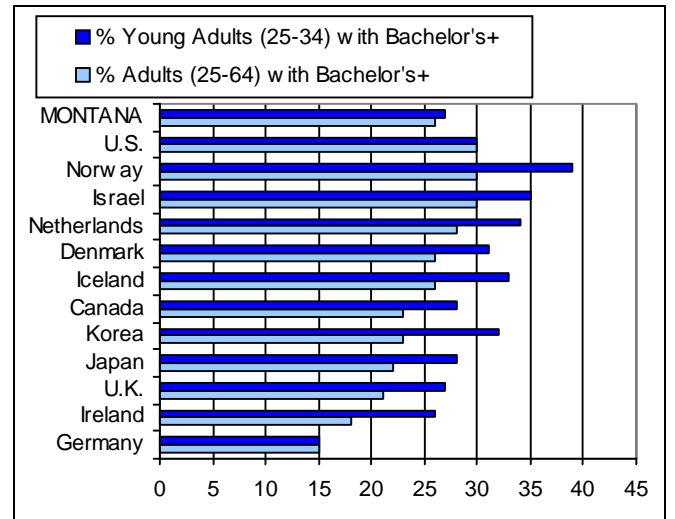
Montana.....27%
 U.S.....41%
 Top States.....56%

Are 11th/12th-graders taking AP exams (2004)?

Montana7%
 U.S.....12%
 Top States.....18%

	2005	MONTANA	U.S.
Participation in ACT		57%	40%
Average ACT score		21.8	20.9
Participation in SAT		31%	49%
Average SAT score		1080	1028

How does Montana stack up internationally?





MONTANA DATA FACT SHEET

How Prepared Are Students in Montana for Life After High School?



What are Montana's school demographics?

2003-04	MT	U.S.
# of Public Schools	859	95,726
Total Public School Enrollment	148,356	48,540,725
# of High Schools	362	22,782
Total High School Enrollment	48,196	14,333,486
Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity/Program Participation		
White	85%	59%
African American	1%	17%
Latino	2%	19%
Asian/Pacific Islander	1%	4%
American Indian/Alaskan	11%	1%
Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible	35%	36%
English Language Learner	7%	11%

End Notes

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