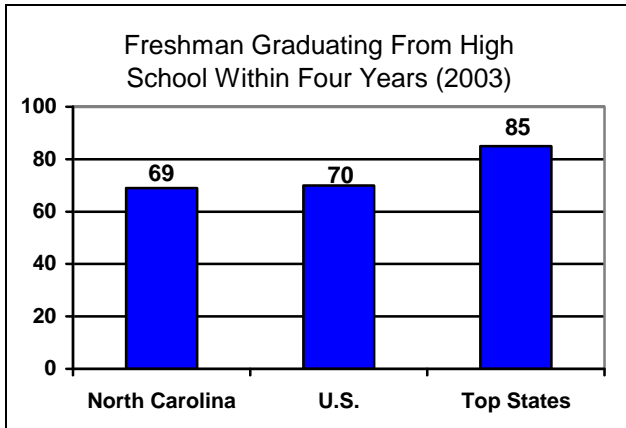


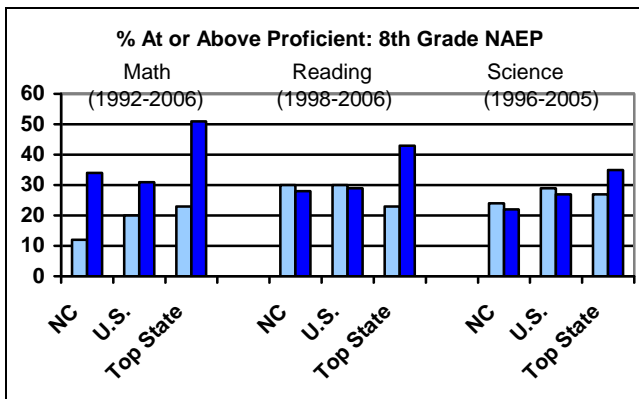
How is North Carolina's economy changing?

By 2012, 81% of North Carolina's fastest growing jobs will require some college or training beyond high school, including a projected 20,000 computer systems analyst jobs.

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



Are 8th-graders ready for high school?



Is the achievement gap in North Carolina closing in math and science?

% AT OR ABOVE PROFICIENT: NAEP			
8th GRADE MATH	1992	2006	% Point Change
All	12%	34%	+22
White	16%	46%	+30
African American	3%	14%	+11
Latino	--	23%	--
8th GRADE SCIENCE	2000	2005	% Point Change
All	25%	22%	-3
White	35%	31%	-4
African American	5%	6%	+1
Latino	--	13%	--

Are North Carolina high school students on the path to college?

Are 8th-graders taking Algebra (2005)?

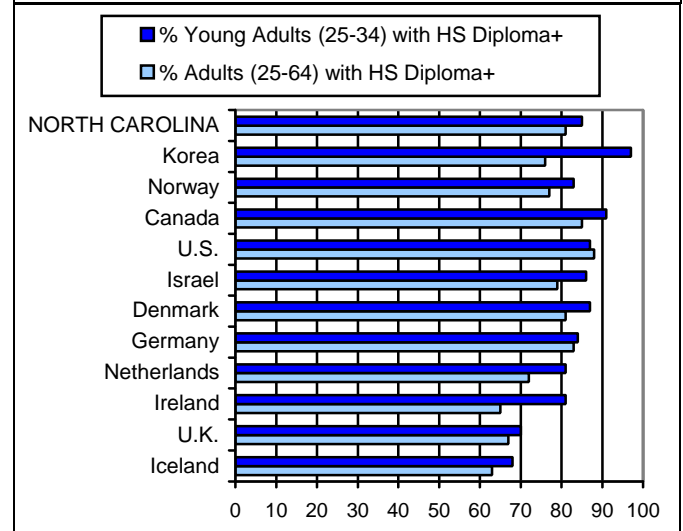
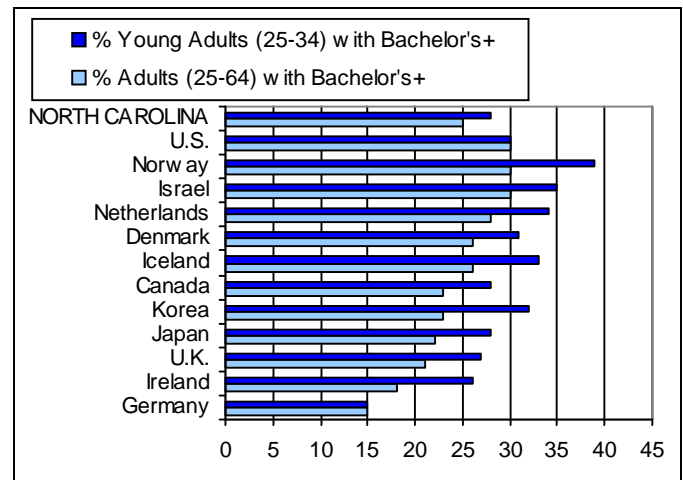
North Carolina.....36%
 U.S.....41%
 Top States.....56%

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

North Carolina17%
 U.S.....12%
 Top States.....18%

2005	NC	U.S.
Participation in ACT	15%	40%
Average ACT score	20.2	20.9
Participation in SAT	74%	49%
Average SAT score	1010	1028

How does NC stack up internationally?





NORTH CAROLINA DATA FACT SHEET

How Prepared Are Students in North Carolina for Life After High School?



Achieve, Inc.

What are North Carolina's school demographics?

2003-04	NC	U.S.
# of Public Schools	2,268	95,726
Total Public School Enrollment	1,360,209	48,540,725
# of High Schools	390	22,782
Total High School Enrollment	386,190	14,333,486
Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity/Program Participation		
White	58%	59%
African American	32%	17%
Latino	7%	19%
Asian/Pacific Islander	2%	4%
American Indian/Alaskan	1%	1%
Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible	45%	36%
English Language Learner	5%	11%

End Notes

BLS, 2002-2012 Employment Projections "Monthly Labor Review" Feb. 2004 & ProjectionsCentral.Com
 Manhattan Institute, April 2006, Leaving Boys Behind: Public High School Graduation Rates. (**"top states" is the median of the top five states)
 National Assessment of Education Progress, 1992-2006
 NCES, 2005
 College Board, 2004 & NCES, 2005 (**"top states" is the median of the top five states)
 School Matters, 2006
 OECD, "Education at a Glance," 2007 & U.S. Census, American Fact Finder and People, 2005 (***)State data represents adults 25 years and older)
 NCES, Common Core of Data, 2005 & 2006 (values may not equal 100% due to rounding)