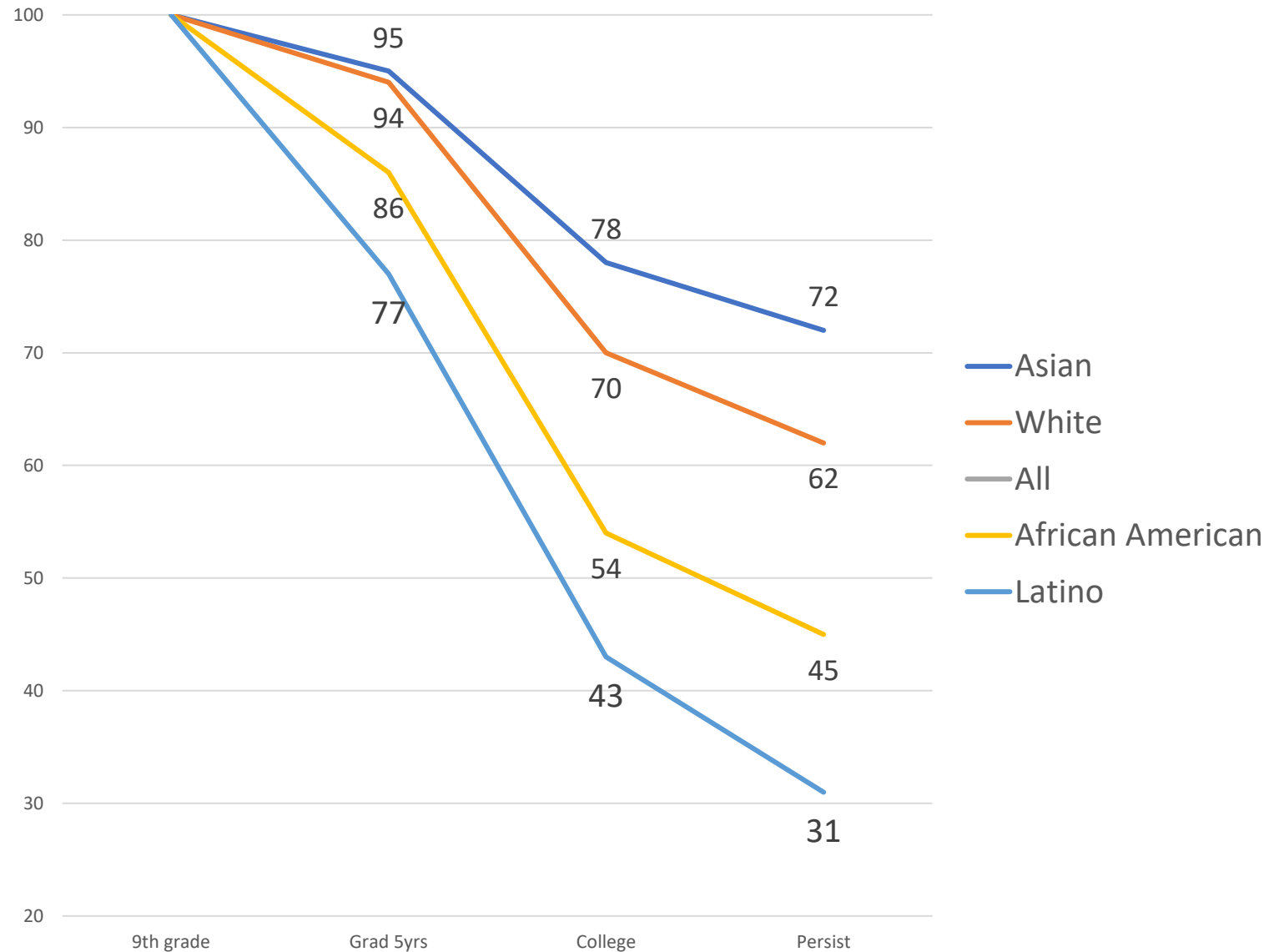




Closing College Access Gaps |

Looking at Racial/Ethnic High School Achievement Gaps

Massachusetts faces two opportunity/achievement gaps for high school students: earning a high school credential and moving on to higher education.

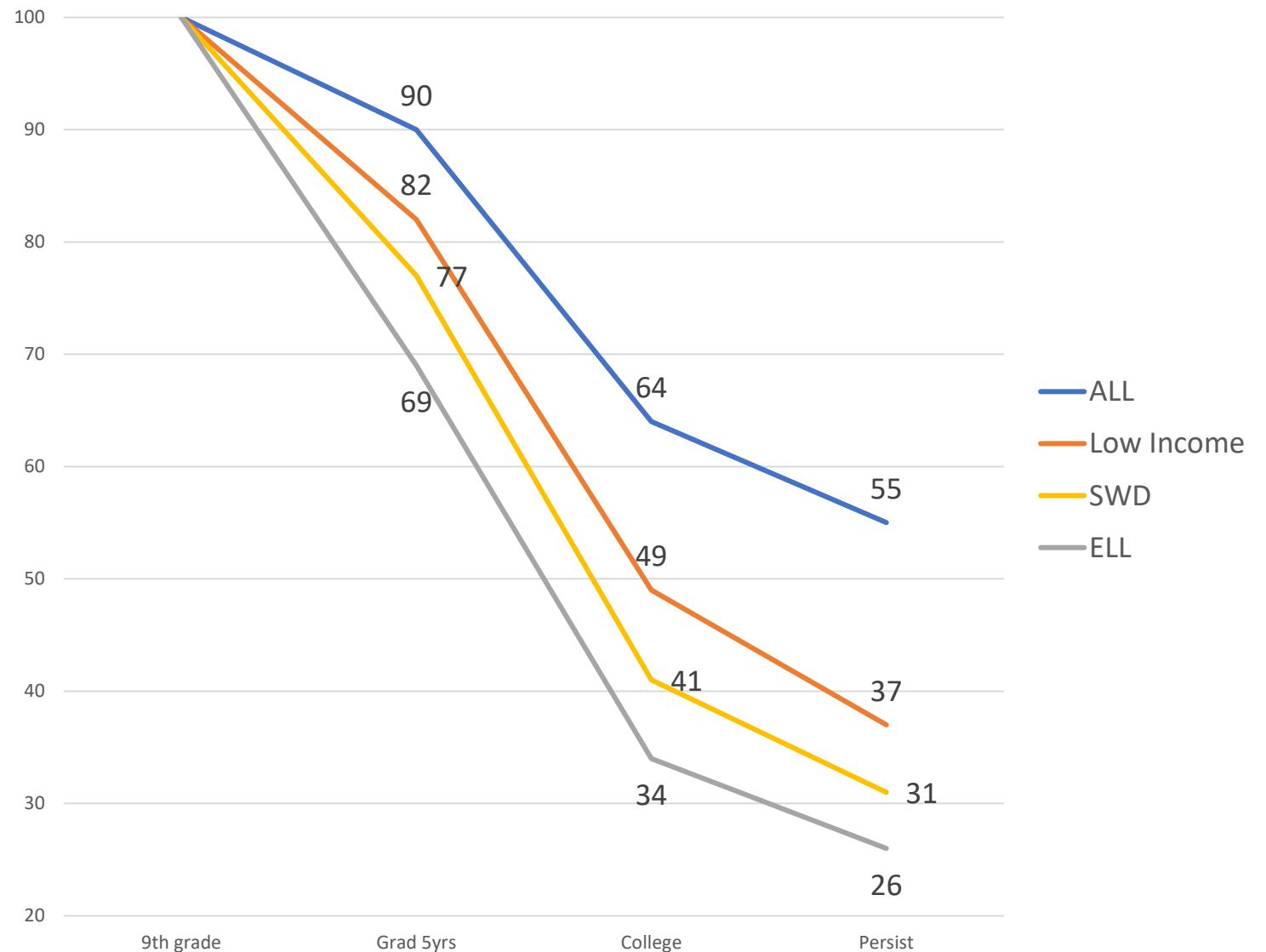


Class of 2017

Looking at Student Group High School Achievement Gaps

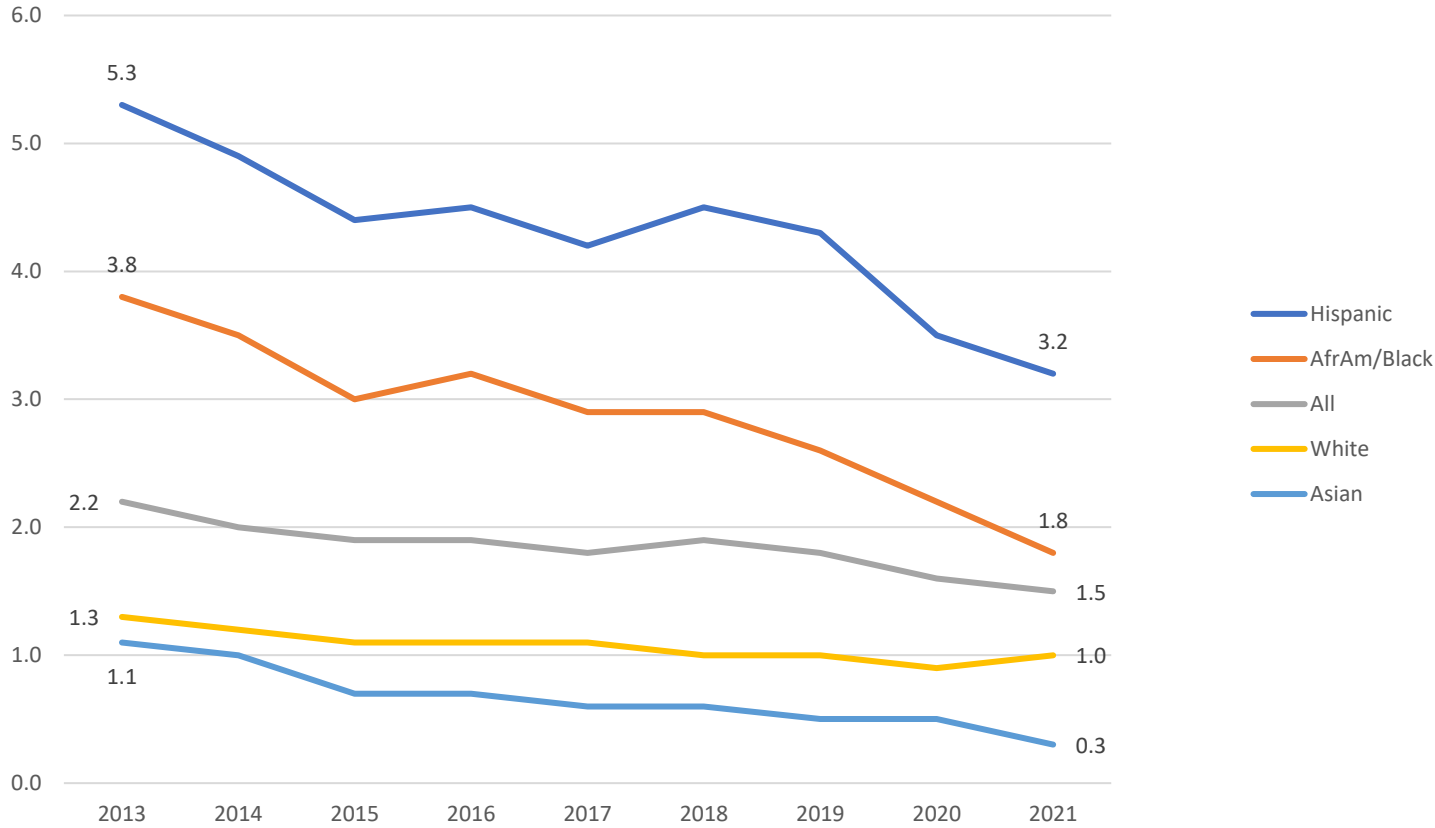
For many students of color, poor students, and students with disabilities, not graduating from high school and not having access to higher education lock them out of potential postsecondary opportunities

<https://www.doe.mass.edu/dart/>



Dropout Rates and a Focus on Equity

	9-12 Enrollment	% of 9-12	#of dropouts	%of dropouts
African American	26,866	9.3	483	11.2
Asian	19,486	6.8	59	1.4
Hispanic	60,738	21.1	1918	44.6
White	170,523	59.1	1675	39

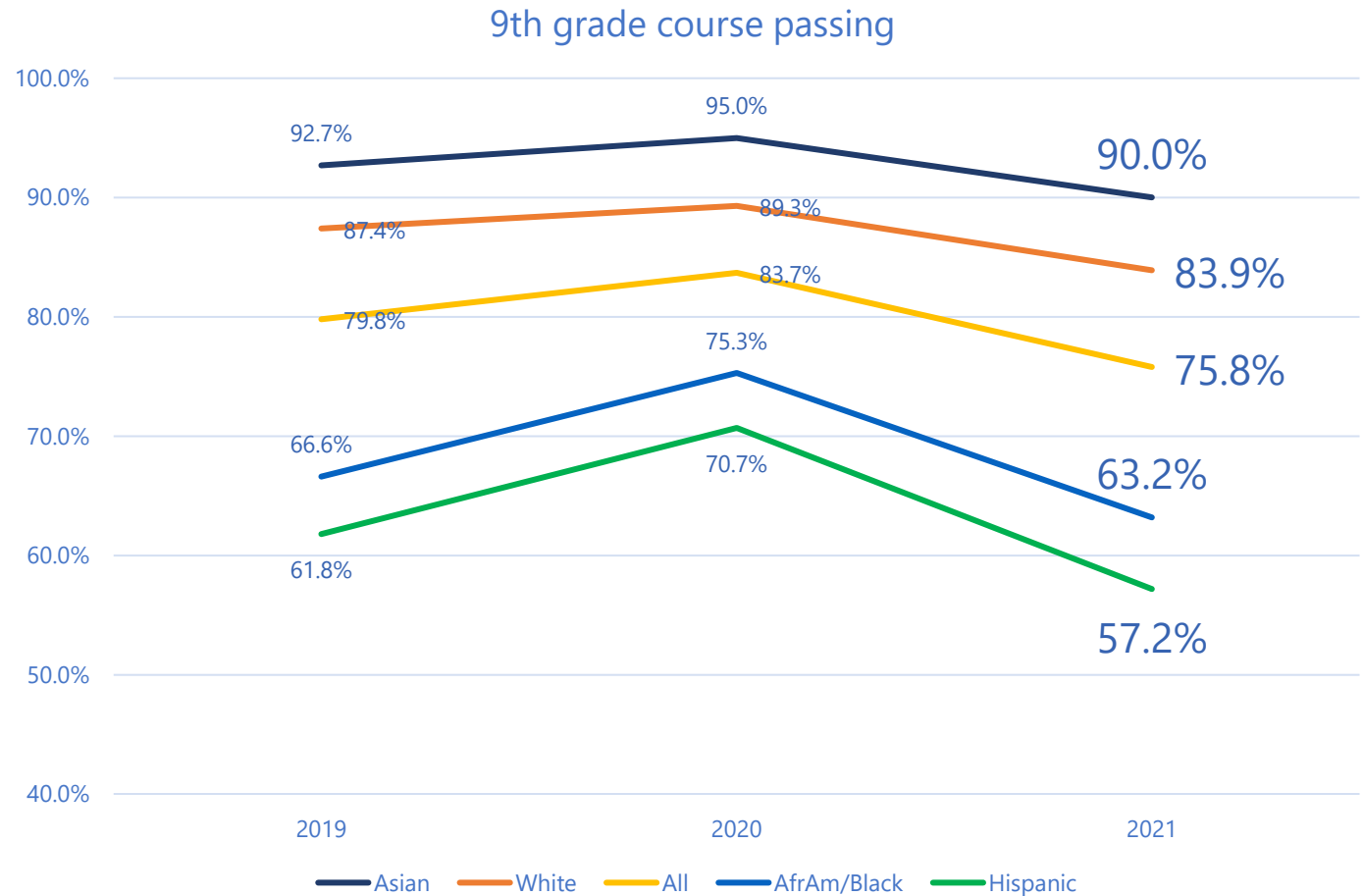


4,297 of the 288,358 students enrolled in 9-12 dropped out in 2020-21

Signs of things to Come: 9th grade passing all courses

- Our EWIS research shows that students passing all of their ninth grade courses are 14 times more likely to graduate on time.

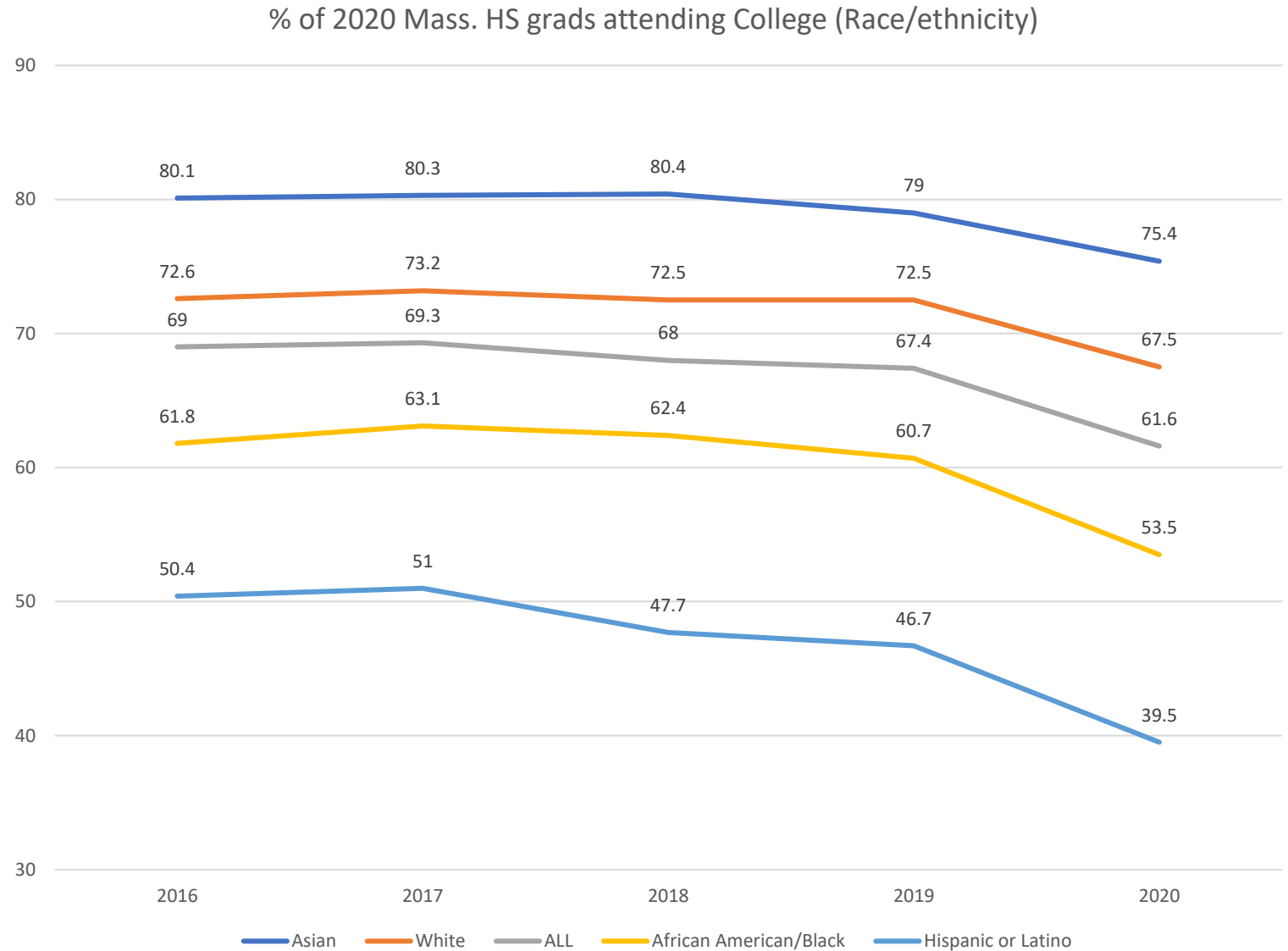
In other words, students failing one or more 9th grade courses have a 65% 4 year graduation rate vs. a 96% rate for those who pass all their 9th grade courses.



College Enrollment by graduating class (immediate fall enrollment)

3846 fewer high school seniors enrolled in college in fall 2020 than fall 2019.*

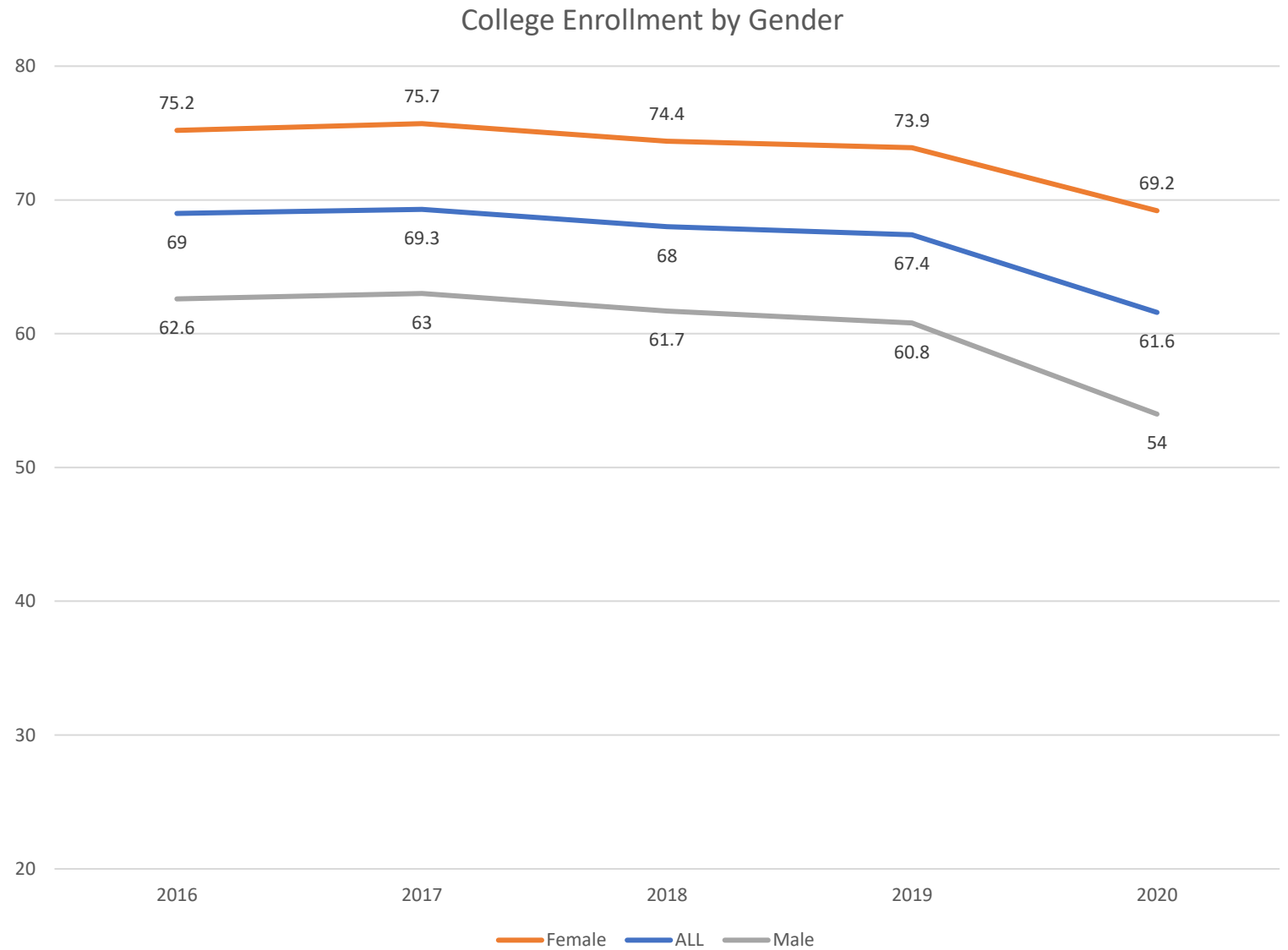
African American/Black	-403
Asian	-138
Hispanic or Latino	-474
White	-2705
Female	-1600
Male	-2246
High Needs	-2123
Economically Disadvantaged	-1559
English language learner	-503
Students with disabilities	-933



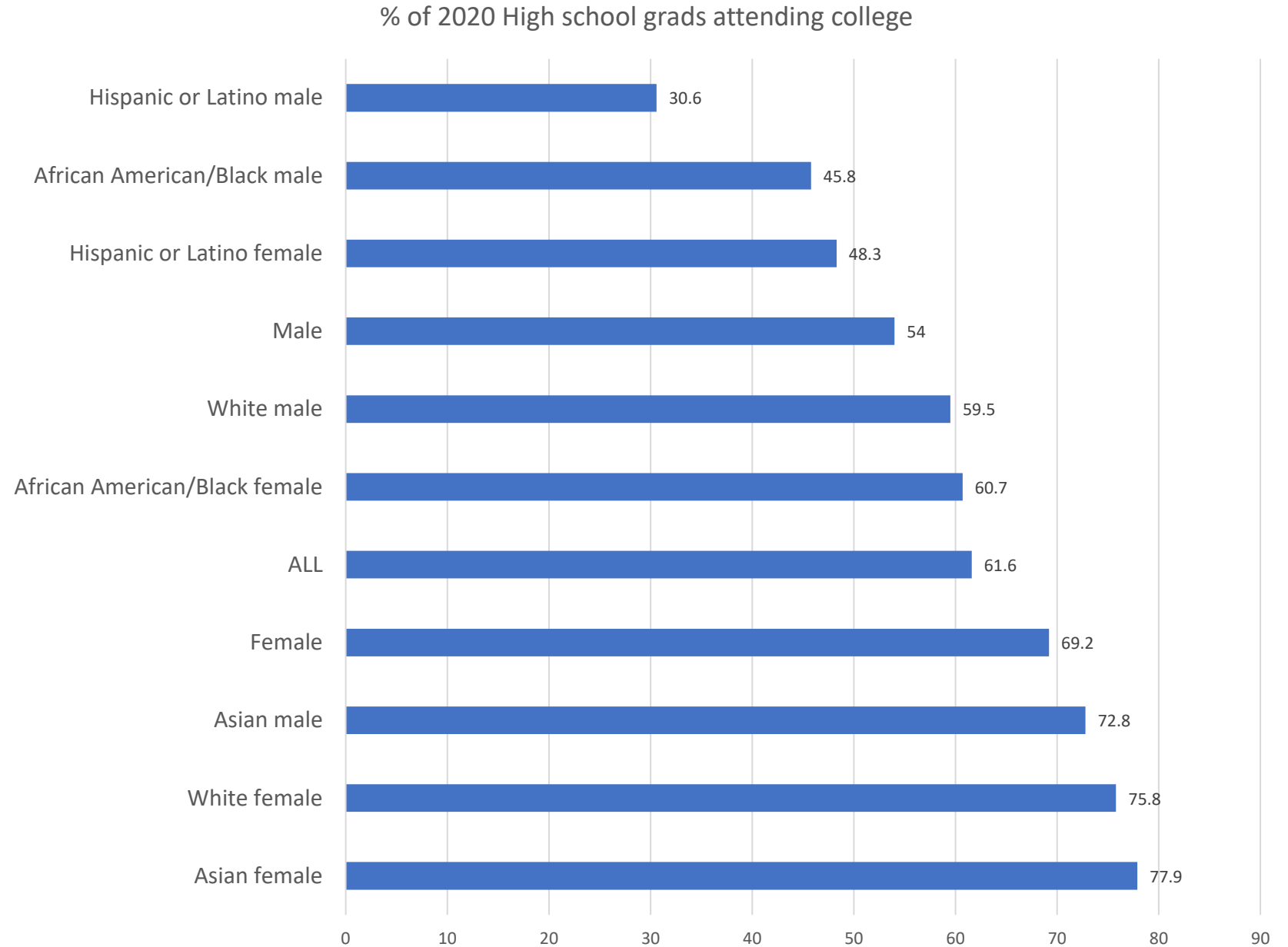
*there were about 200 more high school graduates in 2020 than 2019

College Enrollment by graduating class

The gap between women and men attending college is enormous

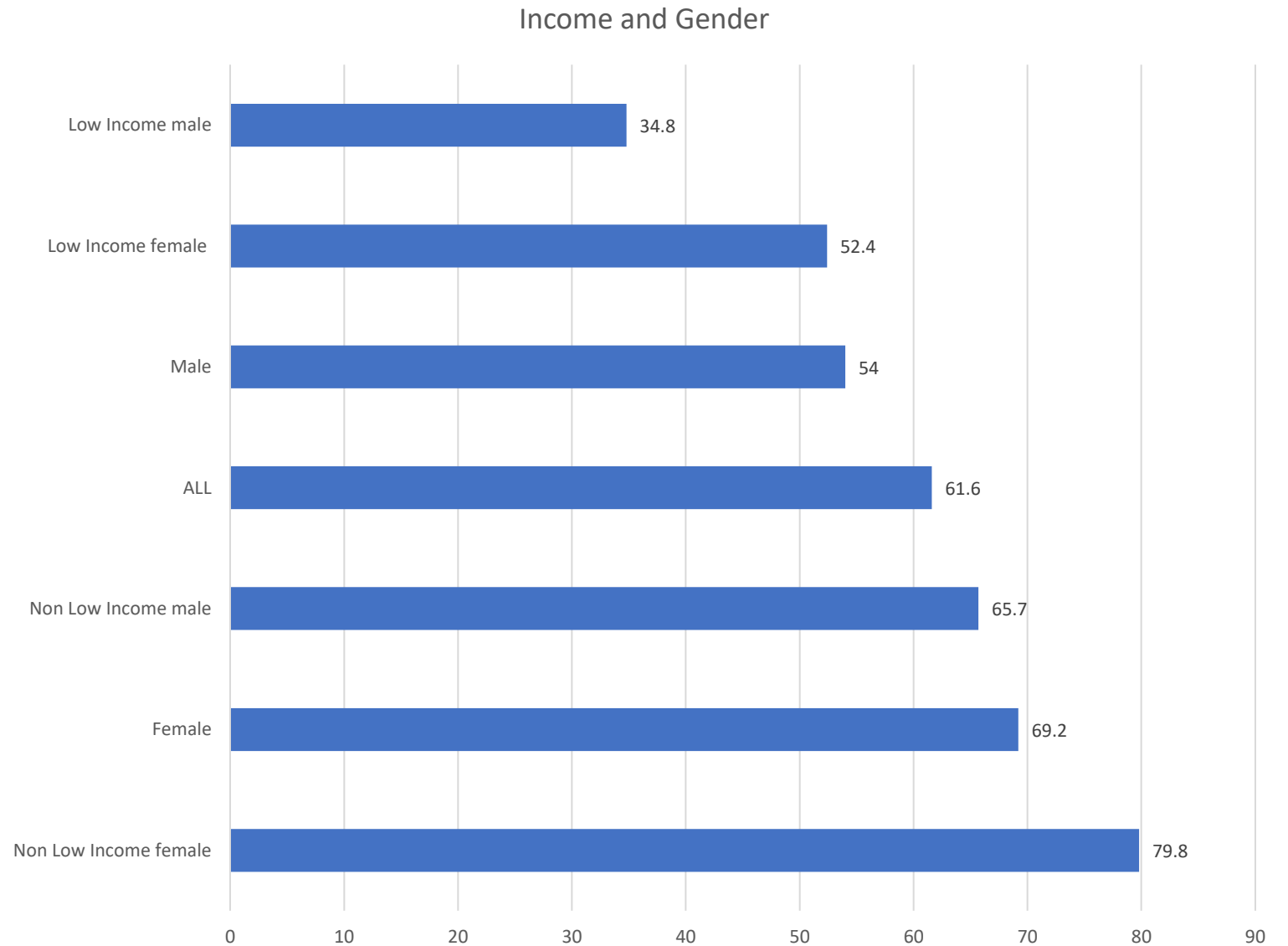


College Enrollment by graduating class by gender and race ethnicity



College Enrollment by graduating class by gender and income

Income has a strong effect on immediate college enrollment, less than 1 in 4 Latino low-income male graduates enroll in college (24.7 pct)



Early indications from DHE for the class of 2021

Annual % Change (20-Year Trend)

