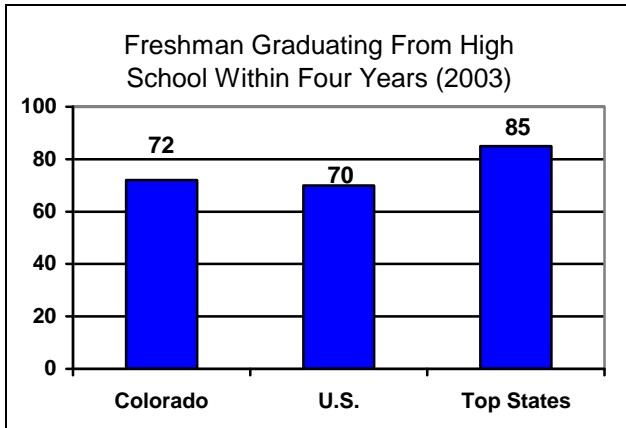


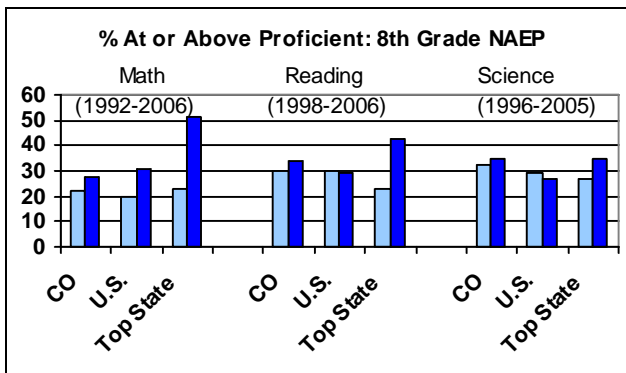
### How is Colorado's economy changing?

By 2012, 92% of Colorado's fastest growing jobs will require some college or training beyond high school, including a projected 36,870 computer software engineering jobs.

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



### Are 8<sup>th</sup>-graders ready for high school?



### Is the achievement gap in Colorado closing in math and science?

% AT OR ABOVE PROFICIENT: NAEP			
<b>8<sup>th</sup> GRADE MATH</b>			
	1992	2006	% Point Change
All	22%	38%	+16
White	26%	48%	+22
African American	4%	21%	+17
Latino	6%	13%	+7
<b>8<sup>th</sup> GRADE SCIENCE</b>			
	2000	2005	% Point Change
All	--	35%	--
White	--	46%	--
African American	--	12%	--
Latino	--	12%	--

### Are Colorado high school students on the path to college?

#### Are 8<sup>th</sup>-graders taking Algebra (2005)?

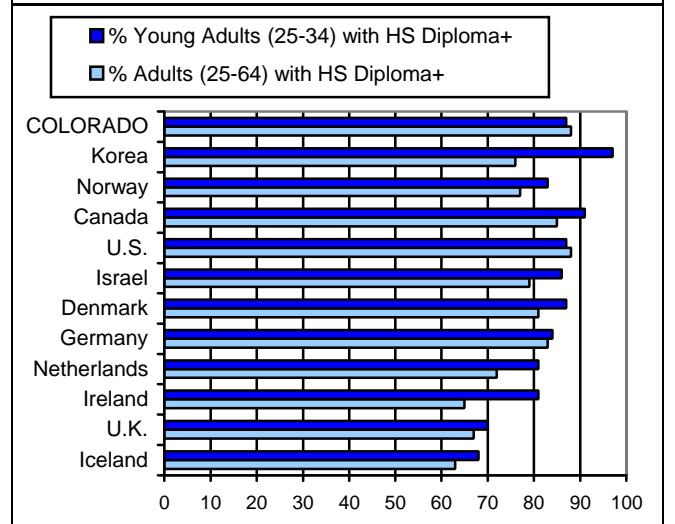
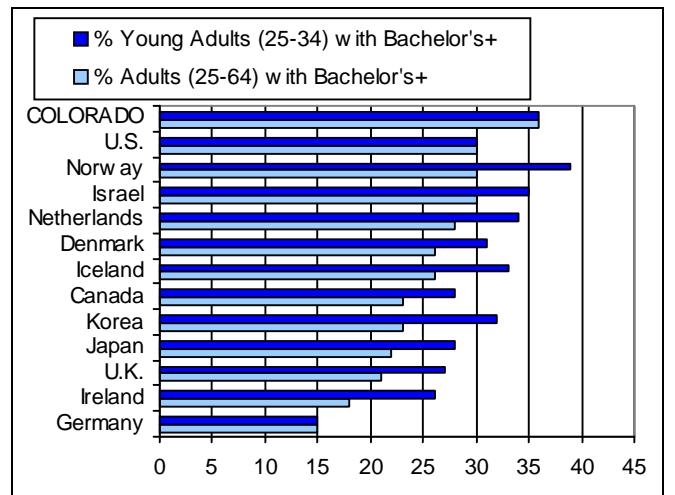
Colorado.....	41%
U.S.....	41%
Top States.....	56%

#### Are 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup>-graders taking AP exams (2004)?

Colorado .....	14%
U.S.....	12%
Top States.....	18%

2005	COLORADO	U.S.
Participation in ACT	100%	40%
Average ACT score	20.2	20.9
Participation in SAT	26%	49%
Average SAT score	1120	1028

### How does Colorado stack up internationally?





# COLORADO DATA FACT SHEET

## How Prepared Are Students in Colorado for Life After High School?



### What are Colorado's school demographics?

2003-04	CO	U.S.
# of Public Schools	1,672	95,726
Total Public School Enrollment	757,693	48,540,725
# of High Schools	401	22,782
Total High School Enrollment	221,368	14,333,486
Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity/Program Participation		
White	65%	59%
African American	6%	17%
Latino	25%	19%
Asian/Pacific Islander	3%	4%
American Indian/Alaskan	1%	1%
Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible	31%	36%
English Language Learner	13%	11%

### End Notes

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