

The College/Career indicator is based on the percent of students who graduate with a status of “Prepared” for College/Career. This indicator applies to districts and schools with students in grades 9–12.

For a list of criteria that students must meet to be considered college/career ready, please see the College/Career Readiness flyer at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/cm/documents/understandcciprepared.pdf>.

Calculating Current Year Data



Number of Students Who Graduated
“Prepared”

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Total Number of Students in the
Graduation Class*

*For students attending a school with Dashboard Alternative School Status (DASS), the graduation rate will be based on the number of students in Grade 12 only.

The result will fall into one of five levels, ranging from “Very High” to “Very Low.”

Comparing Current and Prior Year Data

We compare current and prior year data to see whether a school or district made improvement (i.e., had a higher rate of prepared graduates in 2019 than it did in 2018) or experienced a decline.

Current Year Data

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Prior Year Data

The result will fall into one of five levels, ranging from “Increased Significantly” to “Declined Significantly.”

Taken together—current year data and its comparison with prior year data—a performance level, or color, is given. Access the flyer about How Dashboard Colors are Determined on the California Department of Education (CDE) website at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/cm/documents/howcolorsdetermine.pdf>.