



**New York City Dropout Rates:
Comparison of Class of 1999 (no high-stakes Regents exam requirements) and
Class of 2002 (4 high-stakes Regents exams)**

	<i>1999</i>	<i>2002</i>
African-American	18.6%	22.1%
Hispanic	22.4%	26.0%
Asian	10.0%	12.2%
White	10.4%	12.2%
Total	17.5%	20.3%

*The high-stakes Regents exam mandates went into effect for the Class of 2000. This graph compares dropout rates for the Class of 1999, which had no high-stakes Regents exam requirements, and the Class of 2002, which had to pass 4 high-stakes Regents exams to graduate from high school.

Source: NYC Department of Education – 2001-2002 Annual School Reports

