

# HELPING STUDENTS GET A JUMP START ON COLLEGE:

## A Look at Innovative Early College and Dual Enrollment Programs



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# Accelerated Learning Options for High School Students

Dual Enrollment  
Dual Credit

Other  
Models



Concurrent  
Enrollment



Credit by Exam

Advanced  
Placement



International  
Baccalaureate



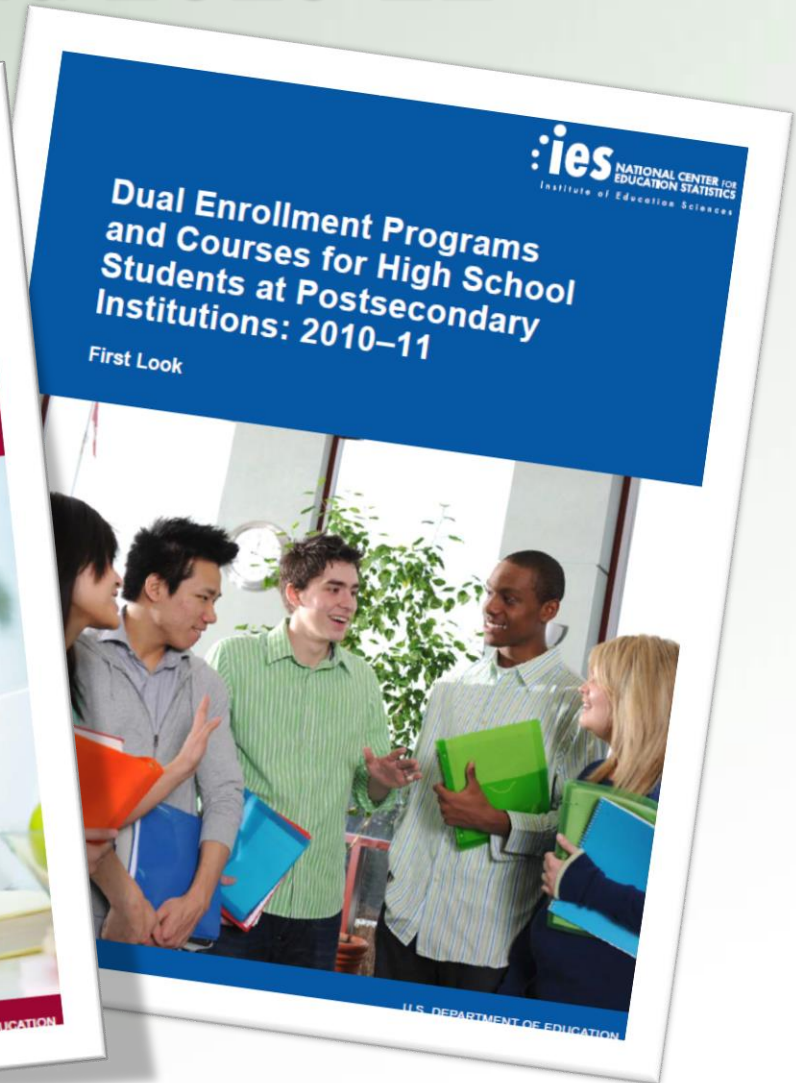
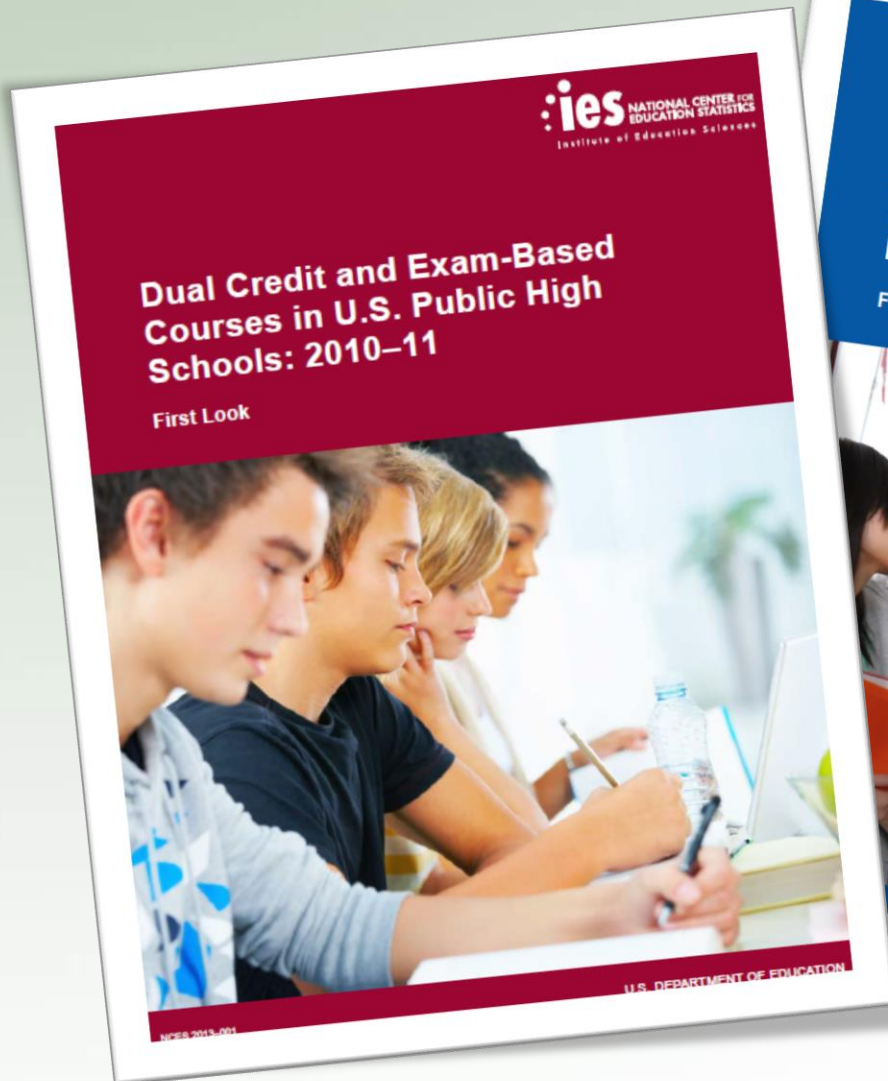
## Early College High Schools

- Small, autonomous schools, operated in close connection with postsecondary institutions
- Students can earn an Associate's degree or up to 2 years of transferable college credit
- Schools enroll about 100 students per grade and can start in grades 6, 7, or 9
- Can feature STEM, CTE, liberal arts pathways
- Instructional coherence and continuous improvement are core to the design

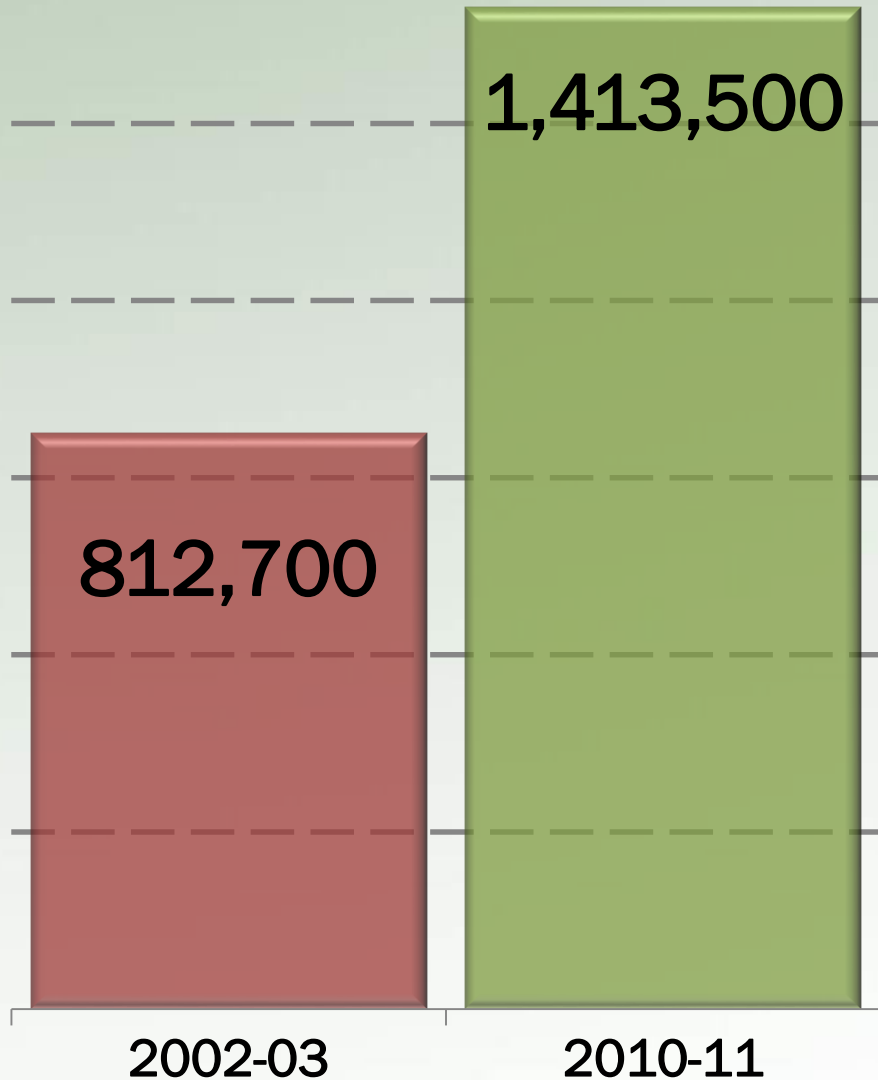
## Early College Designs

- Accelerated pathways for all starting in 9th grade - aligned to college-ready standards
- Designed so many students complete at least 12 college credits, including college gatekeeper courses
- Dual enrollment options may include STEM, CTE, liberal arts pathways
- Aligned with postsecondary programs of study
- Instructional coherence and continuous improvement are core to the design

# NCES Reports on Dual Enrollment 2002-03 and 2010-11



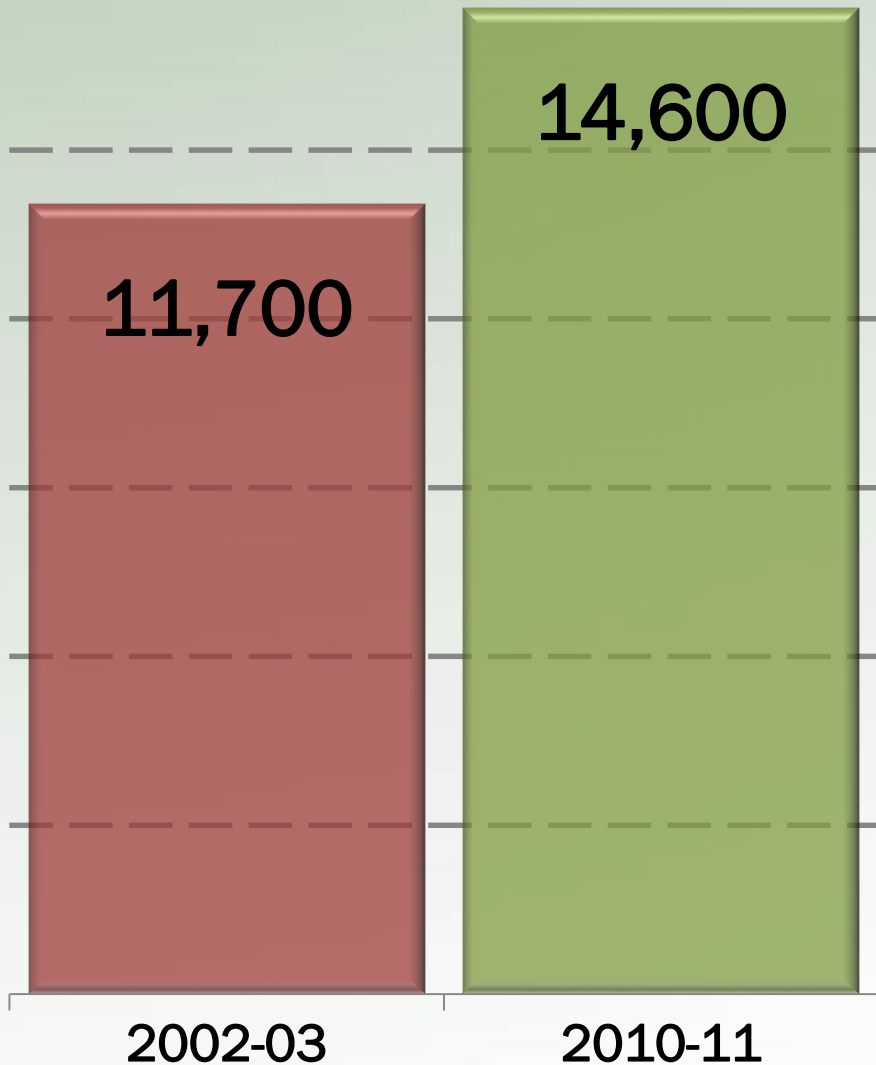
# Students taking dual enrollment courses



**7.2%** annual growth

**10%** of high school students nationwide

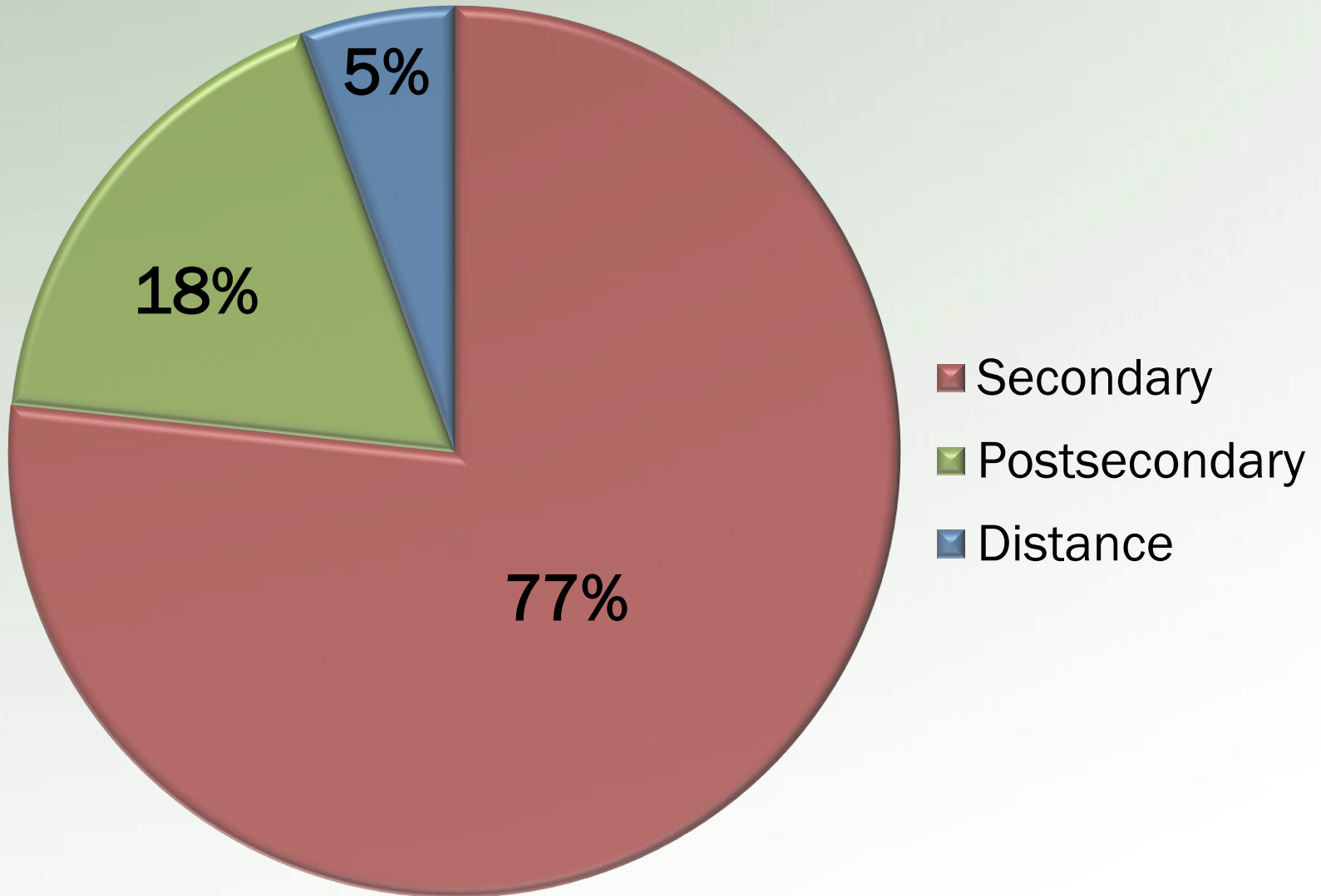
# High schools offering dual enrollment



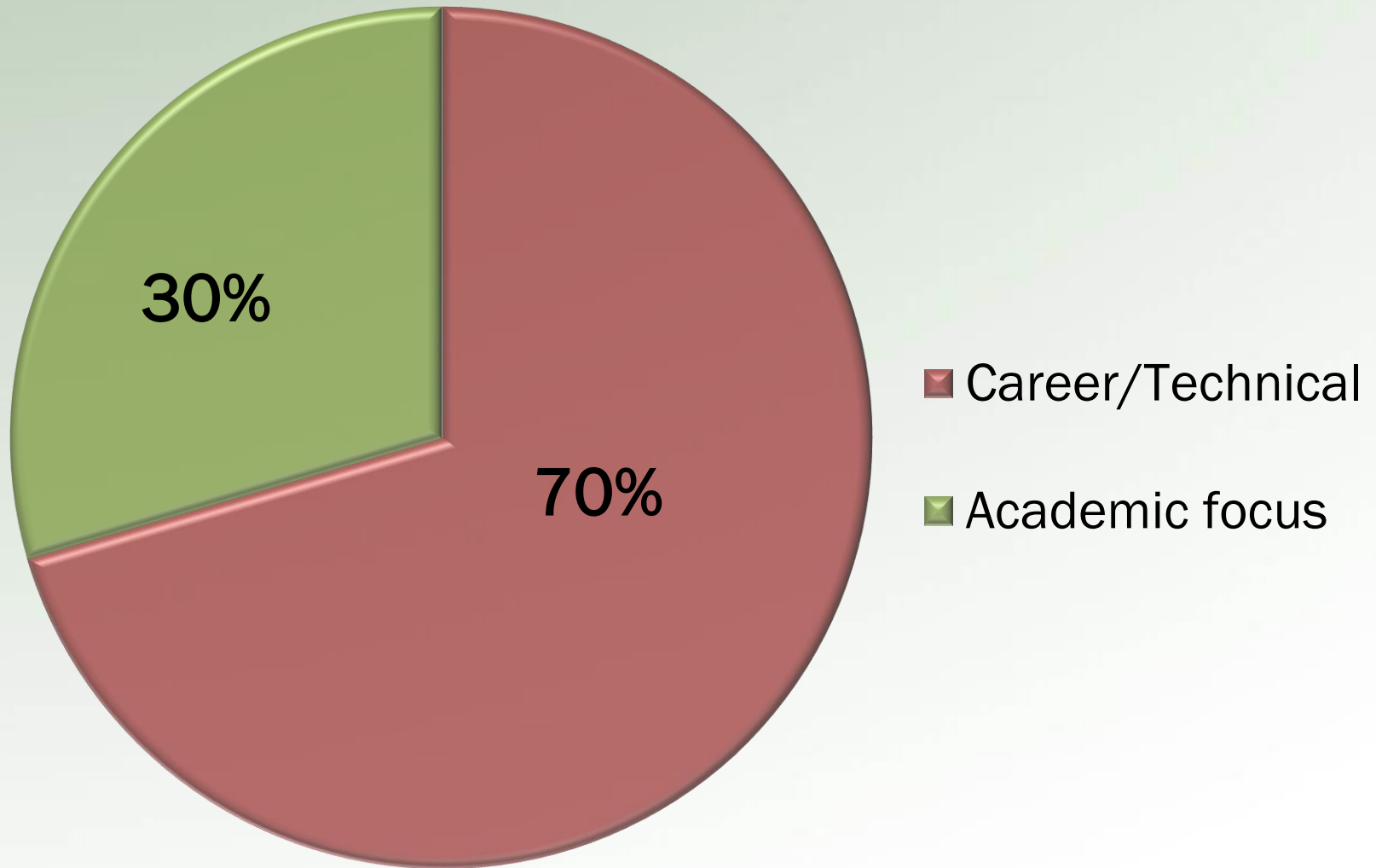
**82%** of high schools  
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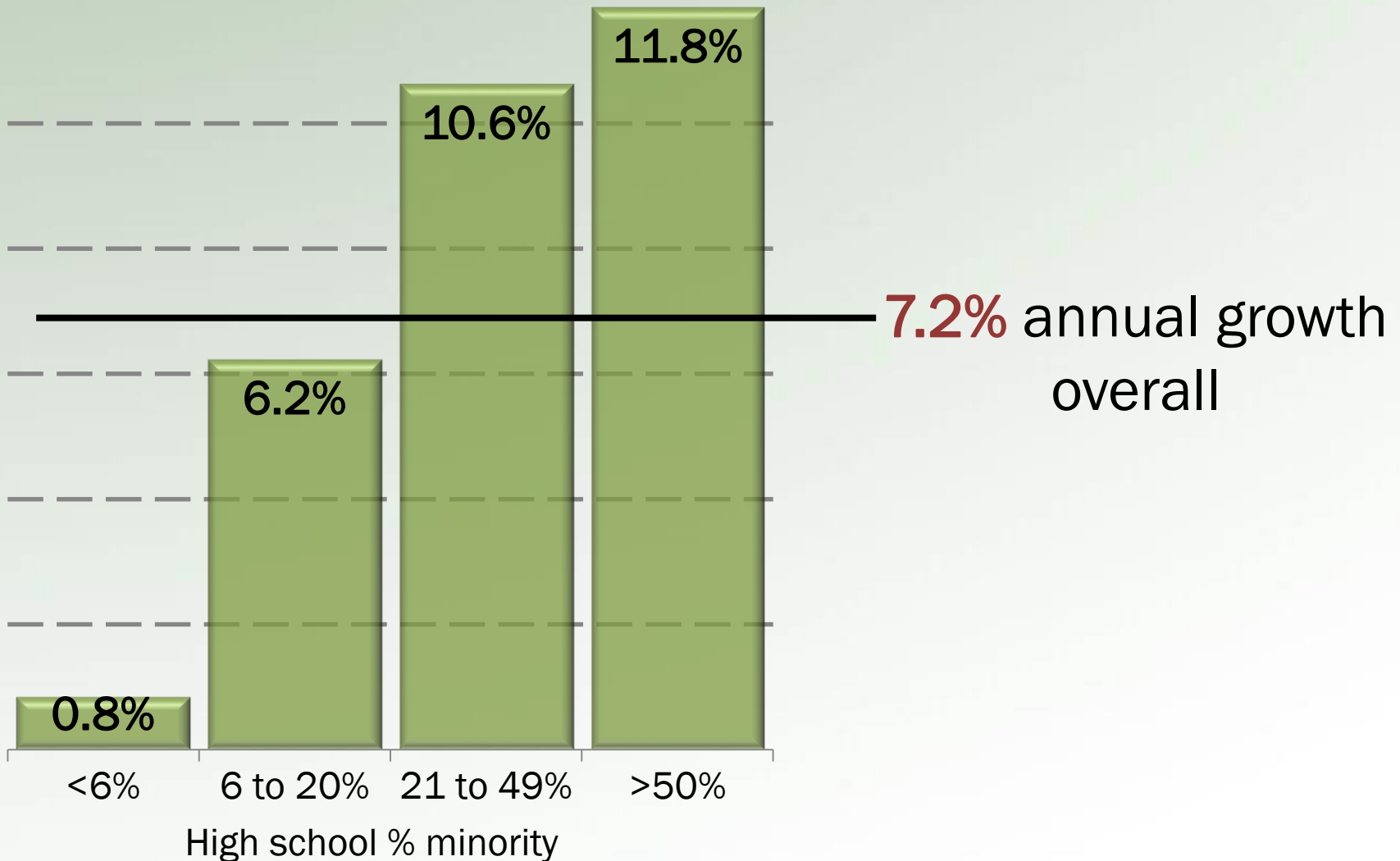
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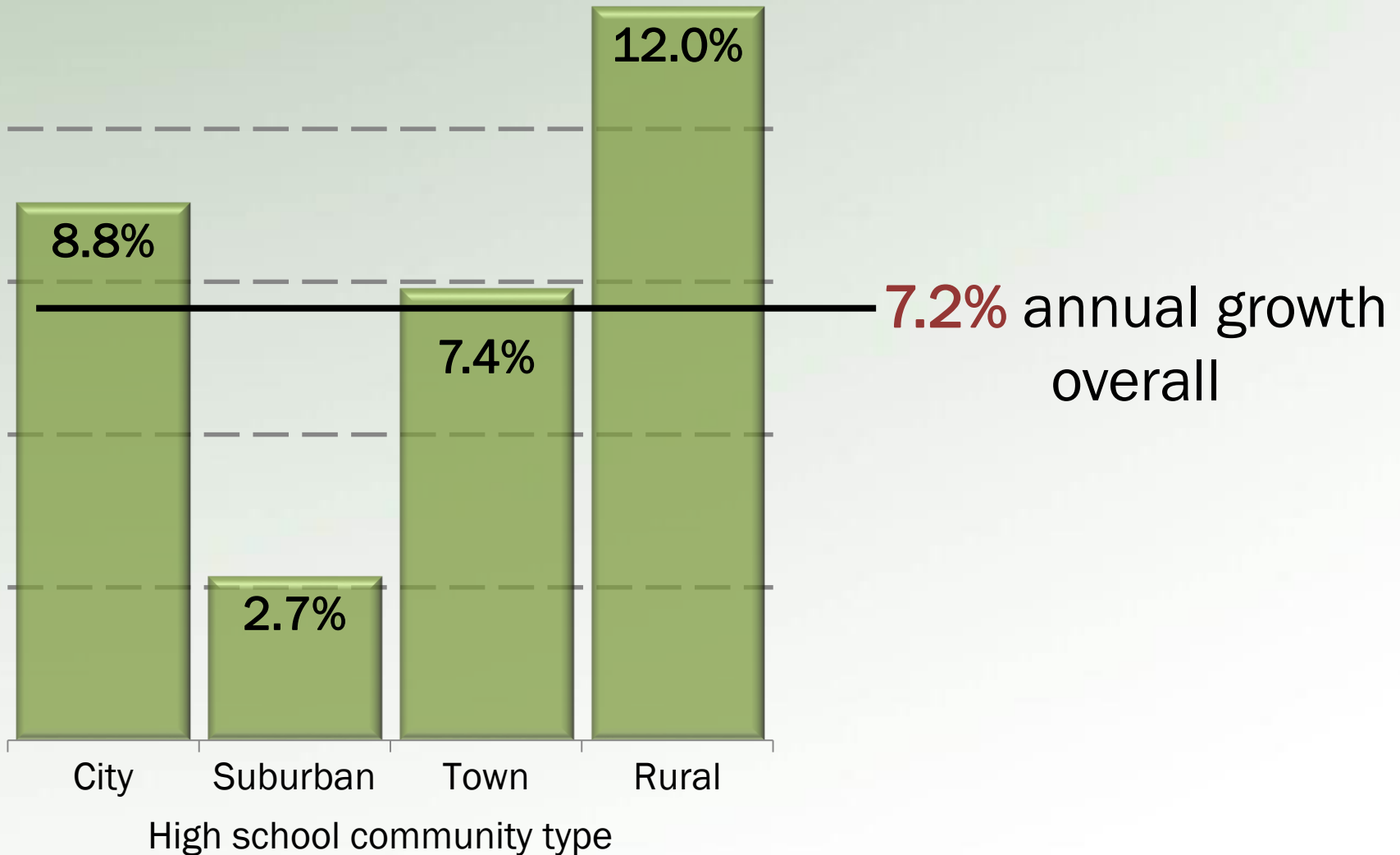
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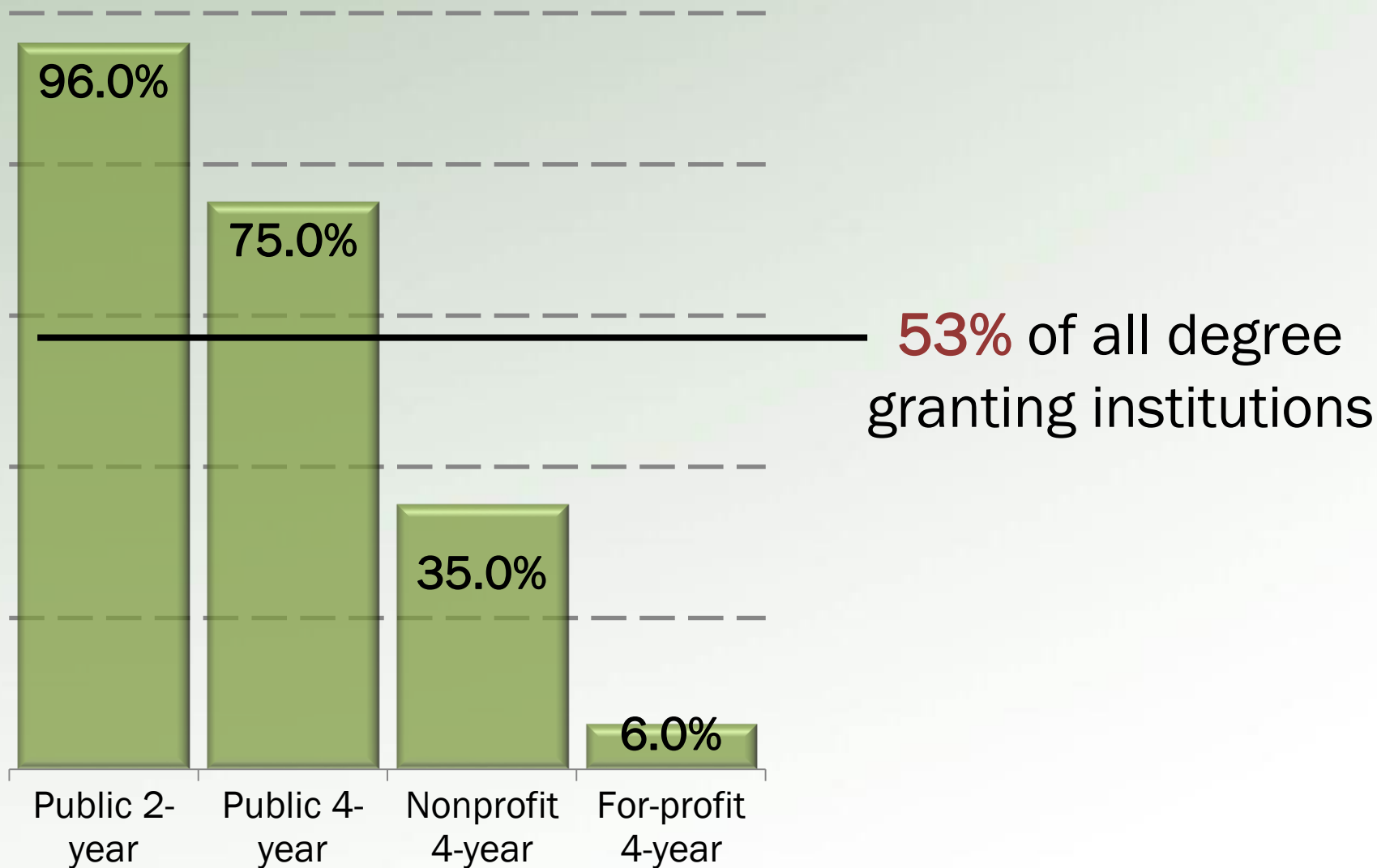
# Rapid enrollment growth in high minority schools



# Rapid enrollment growth in urban and rural schools



# % of postsecondary institutions with dual enrollment programs



# Share of 2,030 institutions with dual enrollment programs

