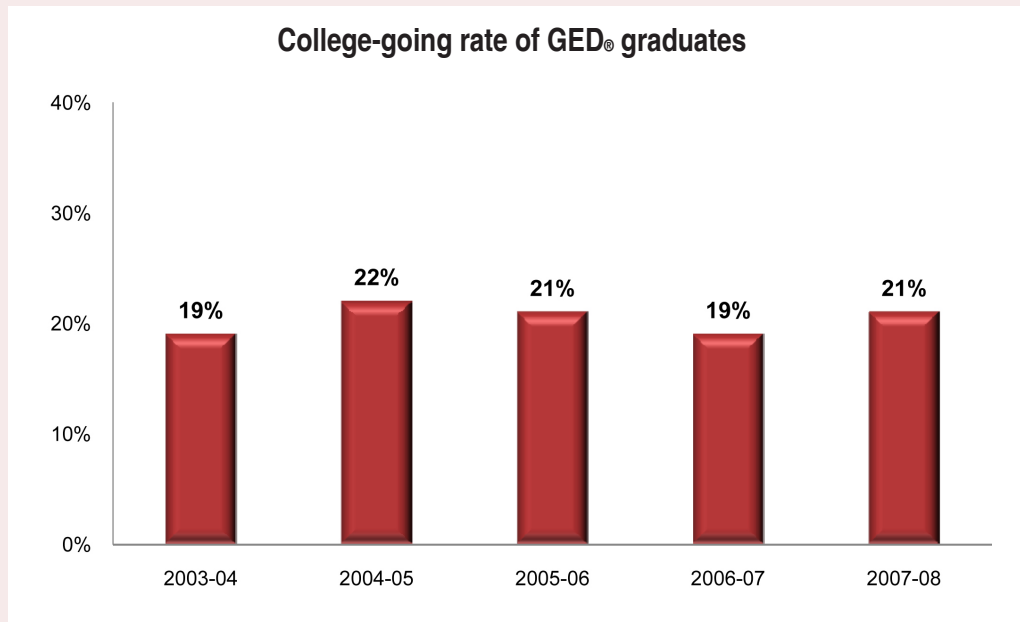




College-going rate of GED® graduates

Status: Making progress



Source: CPE Comprehensive Database and Kentucky Adult Education

Highlights

- The college-going rate of GED graduates rose from 19% in 2006-07 to 21% in 2007-08, a 2-point percentage increase.
- Though improving, the GED college-going rate was 3 percentage points shy of the 2007-08 goal of 24%.
- Of those who enrolled in college, 87% entered a two-year public (KCTCS) institution, 10% a four-year public university, and 3% an independent college or university.
- Although more men than women earn the GED diploma, 54% of GED graduates who transition to college are women.

About this measure

This indicator focuses attention on an important yet often overlooked population of potential college students—recent GED graduates. The GED college-going rate reflects the percentage of Kentucky's GED graduates who have enrolled in a Kentucky postsecondary institution within two years of receiving the credential.

Kentucky will not be able to achieve its educational attainment goals merely by increasing the college-going rate of recent high school graduates. We must reach out to more working-age adults and encourage them to enroll in postsecondary education and persist to degree completion.