College Readiness Benchmarks Over Time

The percent of students meeting all four Benchmarks increased slightly between 2007 and 2011. About 1 in 4 ACT-tested high school graduates met all four ACT College Readiness Benchmarks in 2011, compared to 23% doing so in 2007.

Between 2007 and 2011, Benchmark attainment percentages remained relatively stable in Reading: 52% to 53% of ACT-tested graduates met the Reading Benchmark over this period. Slightly higher percentages of students met the Mathematics or Science Benchmark in 2011 than in 2007. In English, there was a decrease in the percentage of students meeting the Benchmark over this period.

Graph reads: Between 2007 and 2011, the percentage of ACT-tested high school graduates who met the College Readiness Benchmark in English decreased from 69% to 66%.

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Percent of ACT-Tested High School Graduates Meeting ACT College Readiness Benchmarks, 2007–2011

