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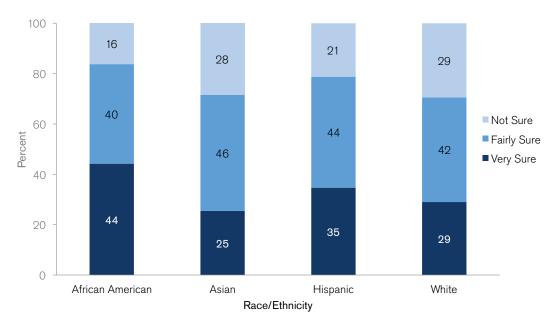
### 2014

- Twenty-nine percent of White and 28% of Asian high school students are not sure what career they will pursue.
- Only 16% of African
   American high school students are not sure what career they will pursue.

# **Strength of Career Interests by Race/Ethnicity 2014**

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## Strength of Career Interests by Race/Ethnicity



Note: Based on data from 1,563,413 ACT-tested 2014 high school graduates who reported strength of career intentions. Approximately 4% did not indicate strength of their career choice.

Among 2014 high school graduates who took The ACT®, African American and Hispanic students are more certain of their career intentions than White and Asian students.¹ African American students

in the class have career intentions that are particularly strong: 44% indicated that they are "very sure" of their career choice.

Similar patterns were observed for 2011, 2012, and 2013 ACT-tested graduates. See ACT Information Briefs 2012-8, 2012-34, and 2013-24.

