

California's K–12 Test Scores

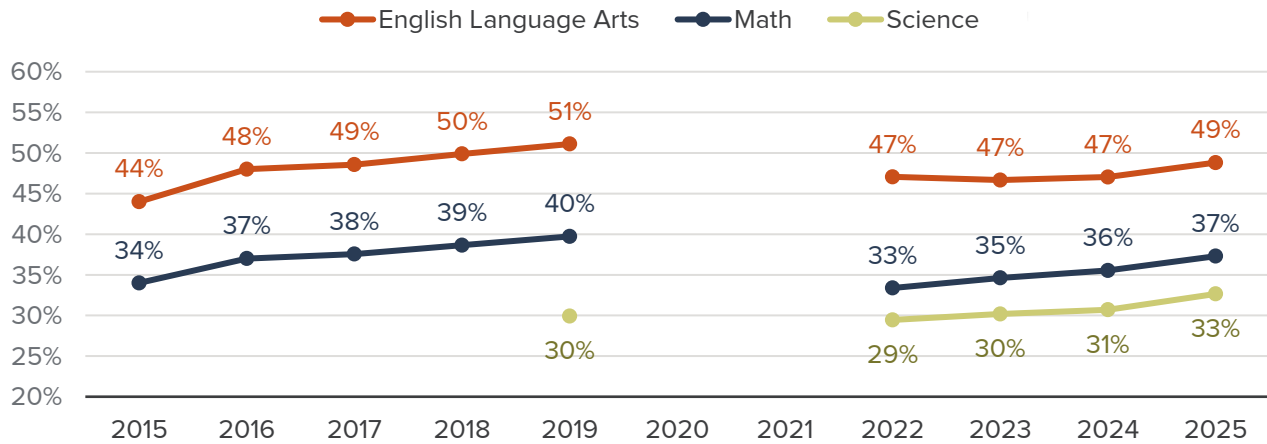
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Data Appendix

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A1. SBAC Proficiency, All Subjects, 2015 – 2025

Share proficient, all students

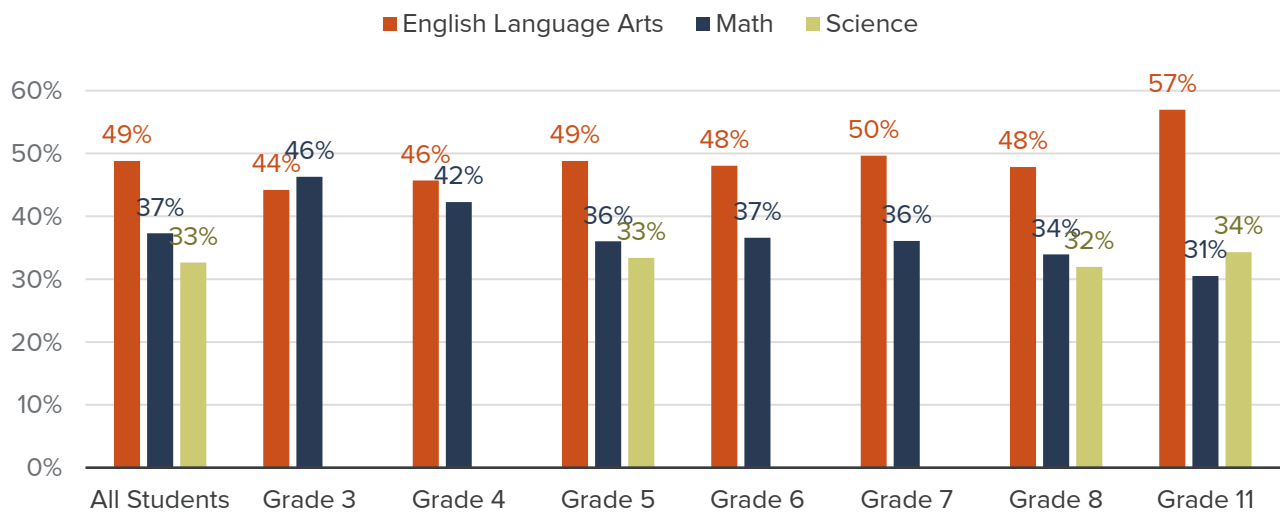


Source: California Department of Education. California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP).

Notes: SBAC tests were fully administered in spring 2022 for the first time since the start of the pandemic. The 2020 tests were cancelled outright and the 2021 tests were optional—fewer than one in four students took them. Share proficient indicates the share of students scoring at the achievement levels Standard Met or Standard Exceeded.

B1. SBAC Proficiency by Grade, 2025

Share proficient



Source: California Department of Education. California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP).

Notes: Share proficient indicates the share of students scoring at the achievement levels Standard Met or Standard Exceeded. The SBAC tests are administered only in grades 3–8 and 11.



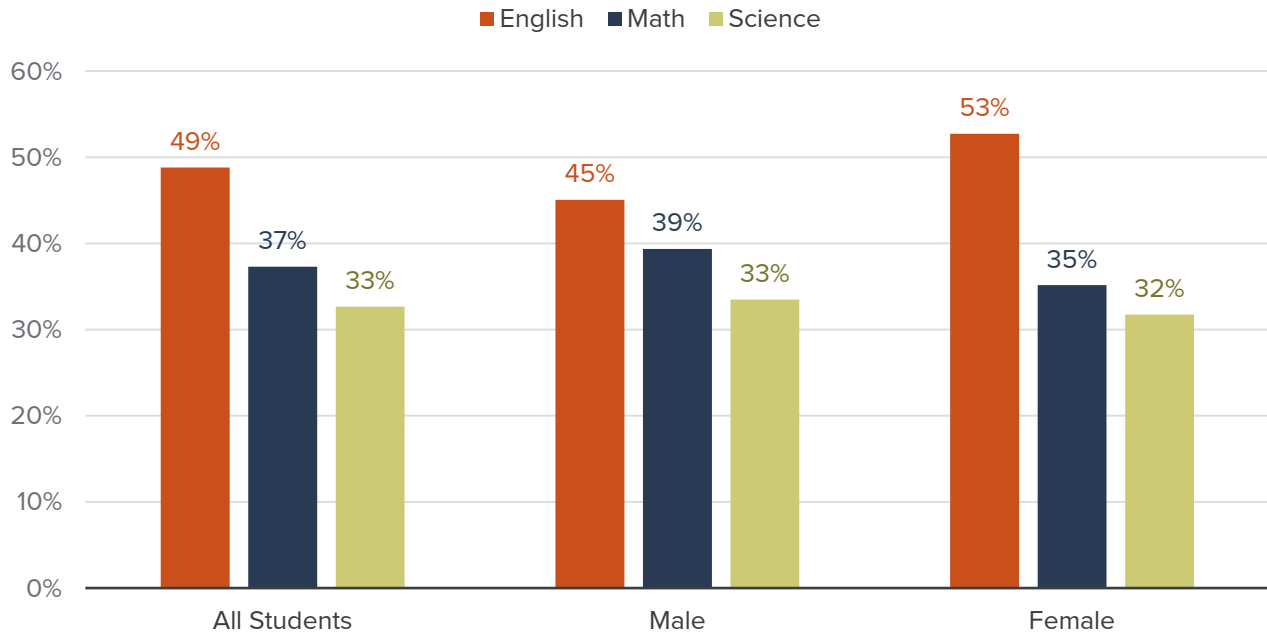
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C1. SBAC Proficiency by Gender, 2025

Share proficient, all grades

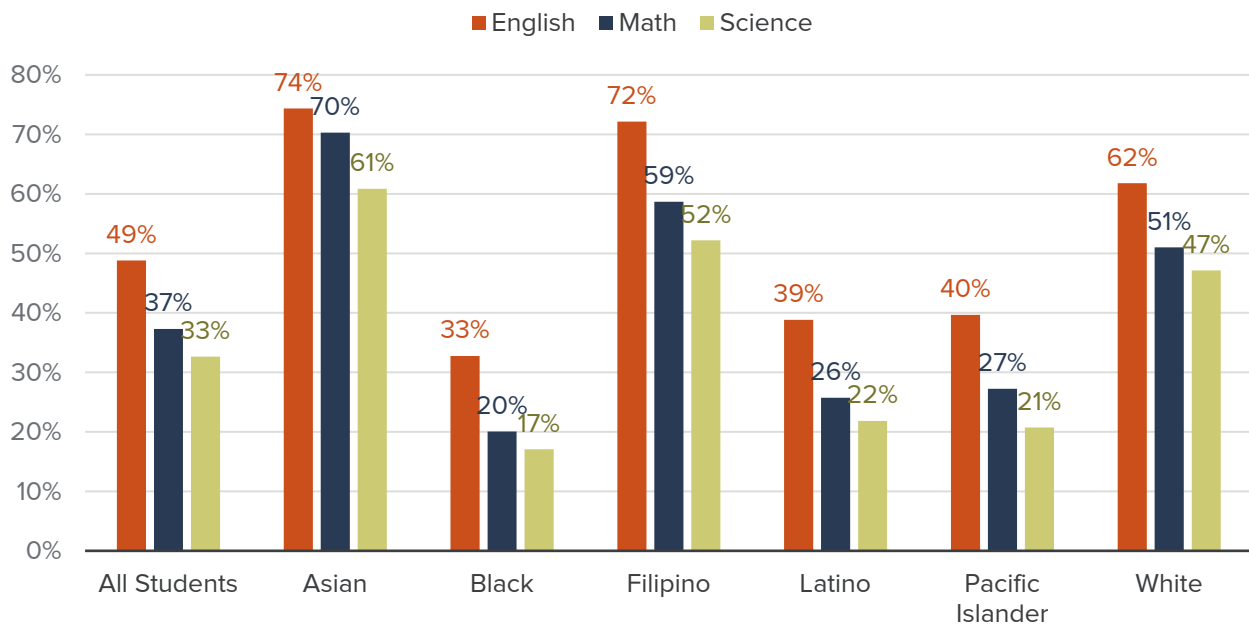


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C2. SBAC Proficiency by Race, 2025

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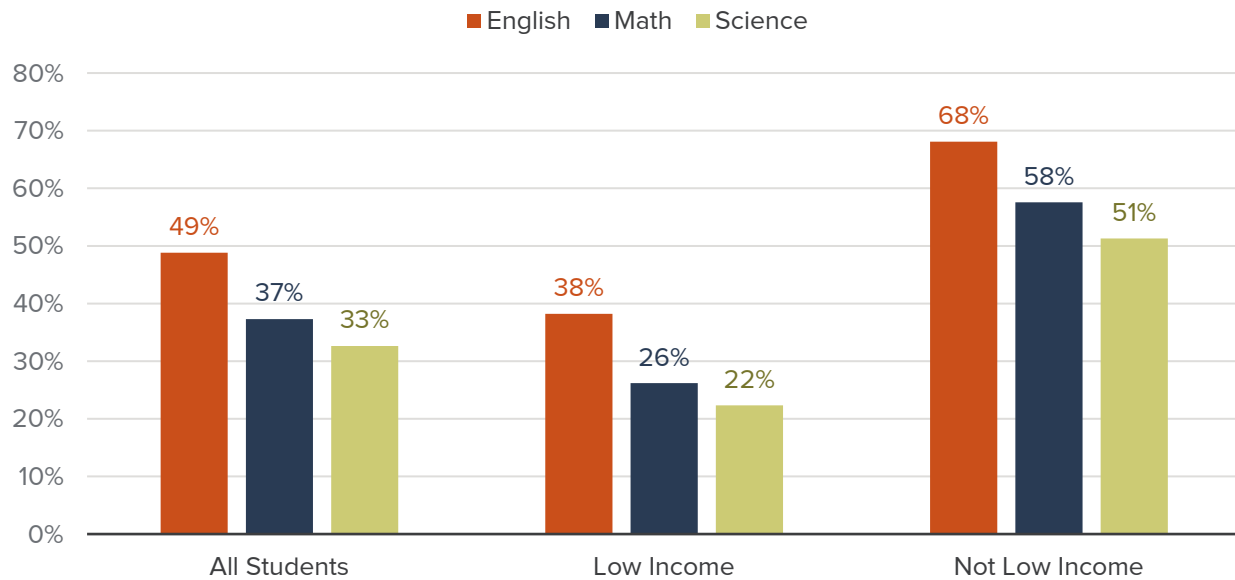
Source: California Department of Education. California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP).

Note: Share proficient indicates the share of students scoring at the achievement levels Standard Met or Standard Exceeded. The Asian subgroup referenced in the fact sheet combines Asian here with Filipino and Pacific Islander.



C3. SBAC Proficiency by Income, 2025

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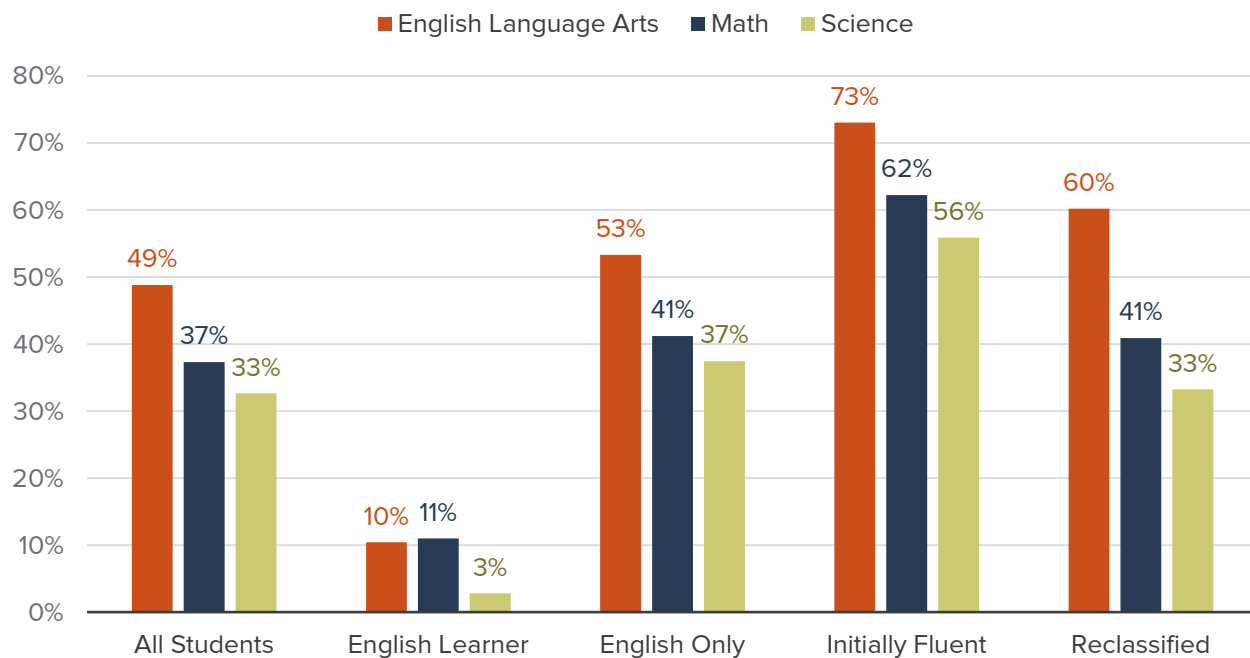


Source: California Department of Education. California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP).

Note: Low-income students are eligible for free or reduced-price meals or other safety net programs.

C4. SBAC Proficiency by English Language Acquisition Status, 2025

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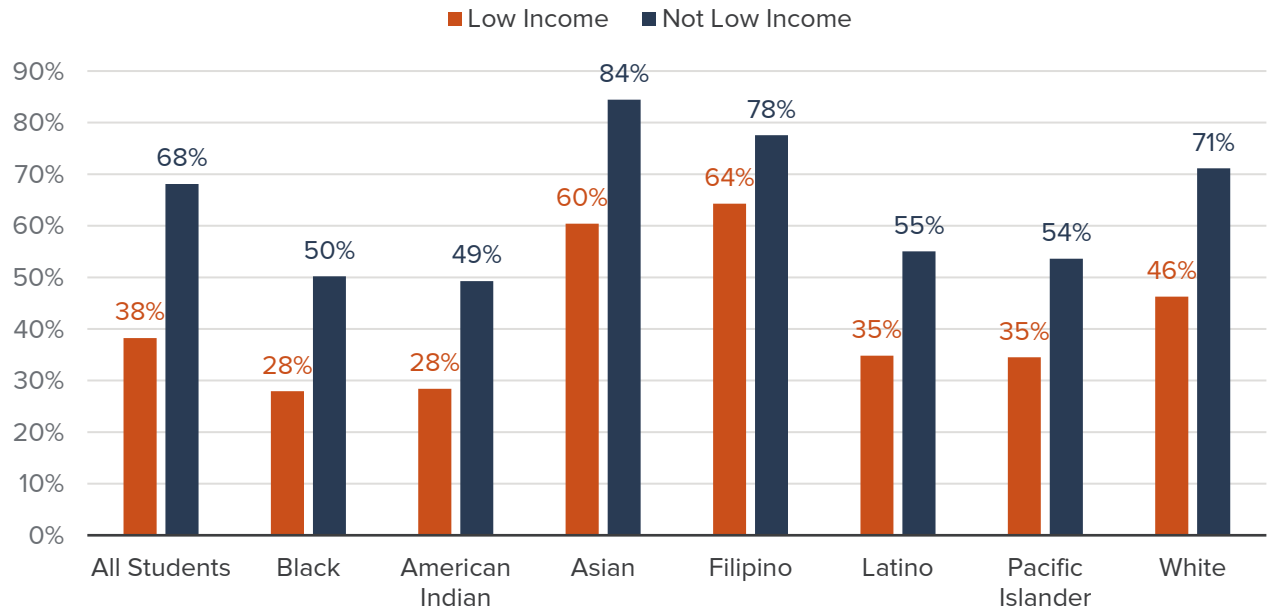
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Note: Share proficient indicates the share of students scoring at the achievement levels Standard Met or Standard Exceeded. The Ever-English Learner subgroup referenced in the fact sheet combines English Learner and Reclassified students. The Never-English Learner subgroup combines English Only and Initially Fluent students.



C5. SBAC Proficiency by Income and Race, English Language Arts, 2024

Share proficient, all grades, English Language Arts

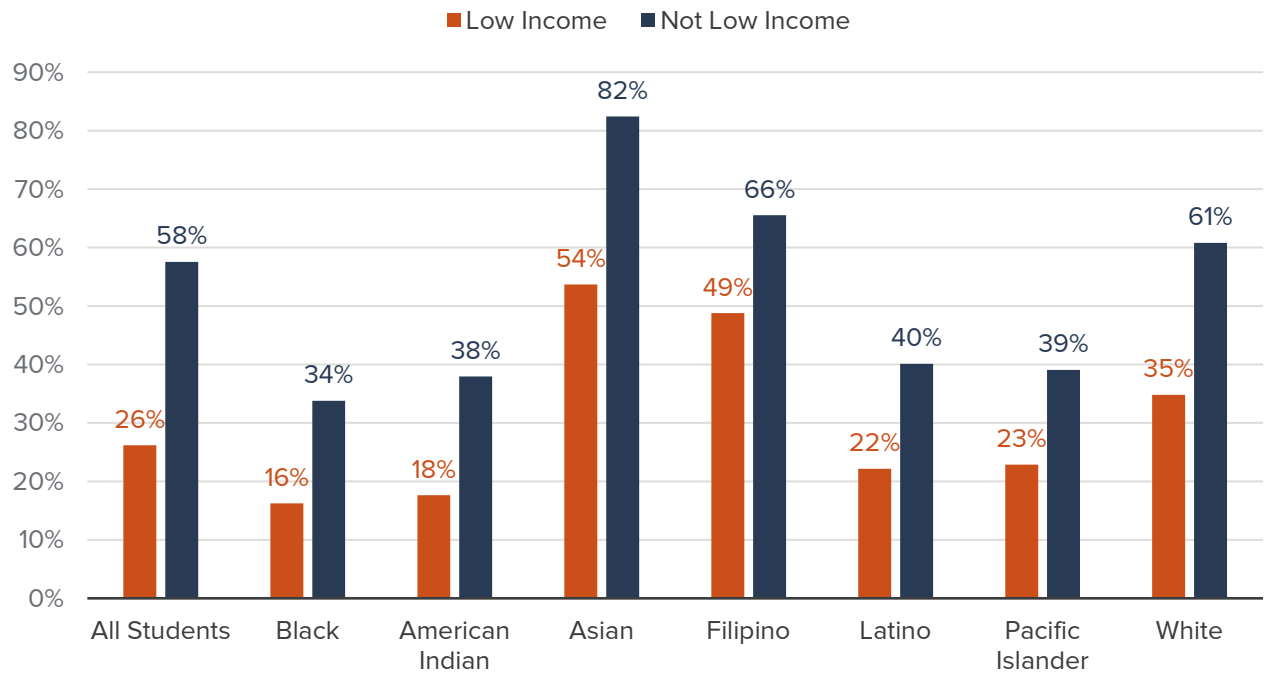


Source: California Department of Education. California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP).

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C6. SBAC Proficiency by Income and Race, Mathematics, 2025

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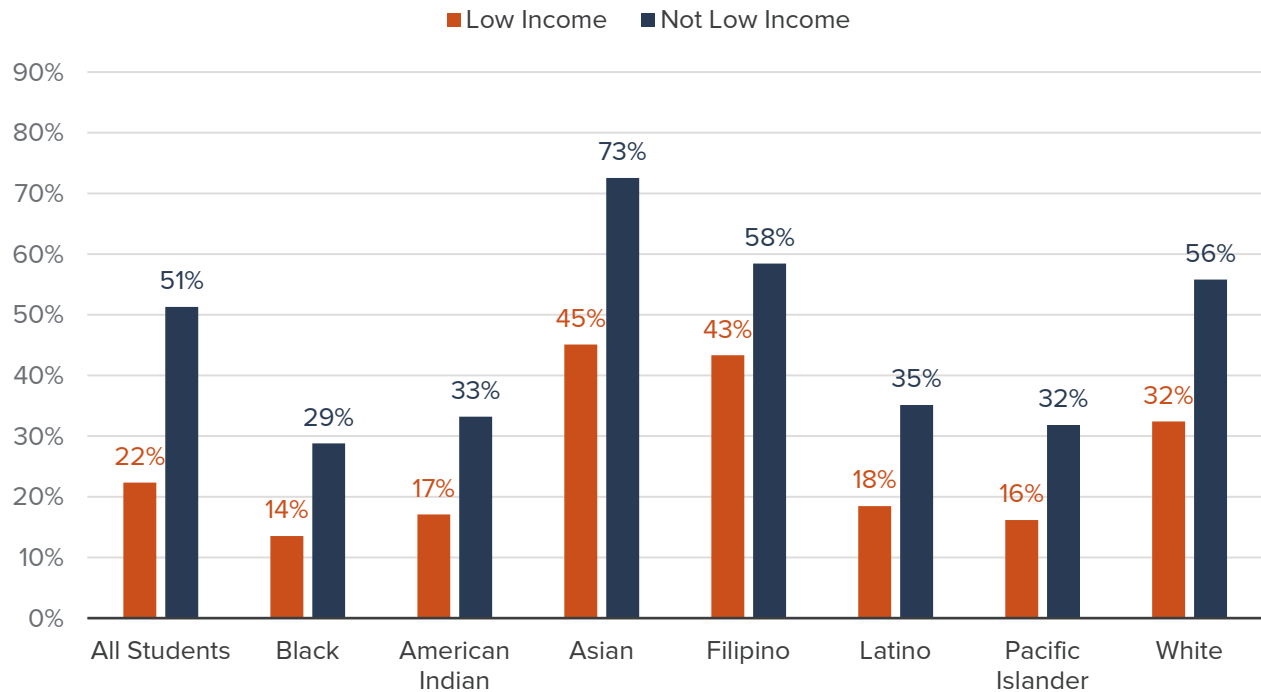
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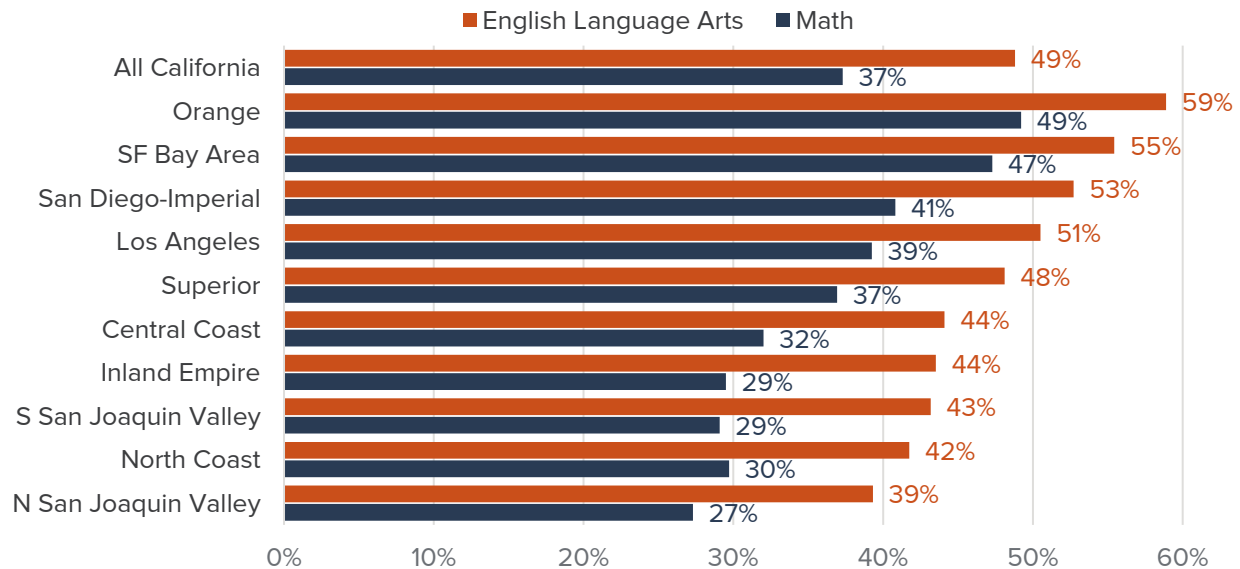


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D1. SBAC Proficiency by Region, 2025

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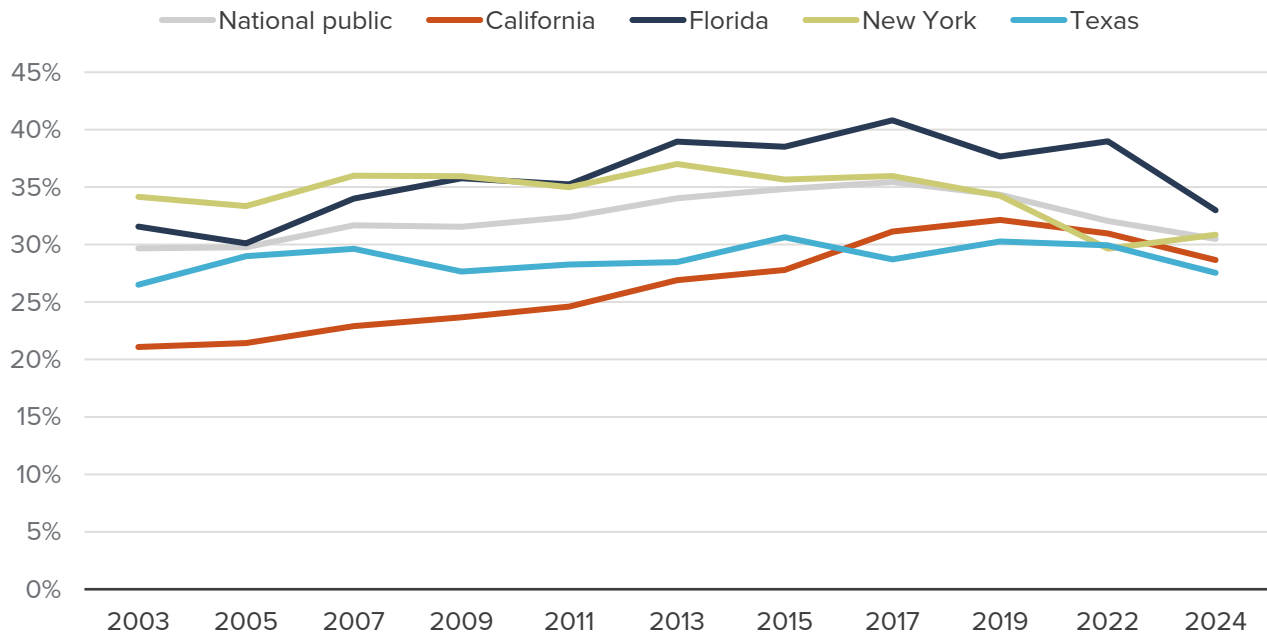
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E1. NAEP Proficiency by State, 4th Grade Reading, 2003–2024

Share proficient, 4th grade reading

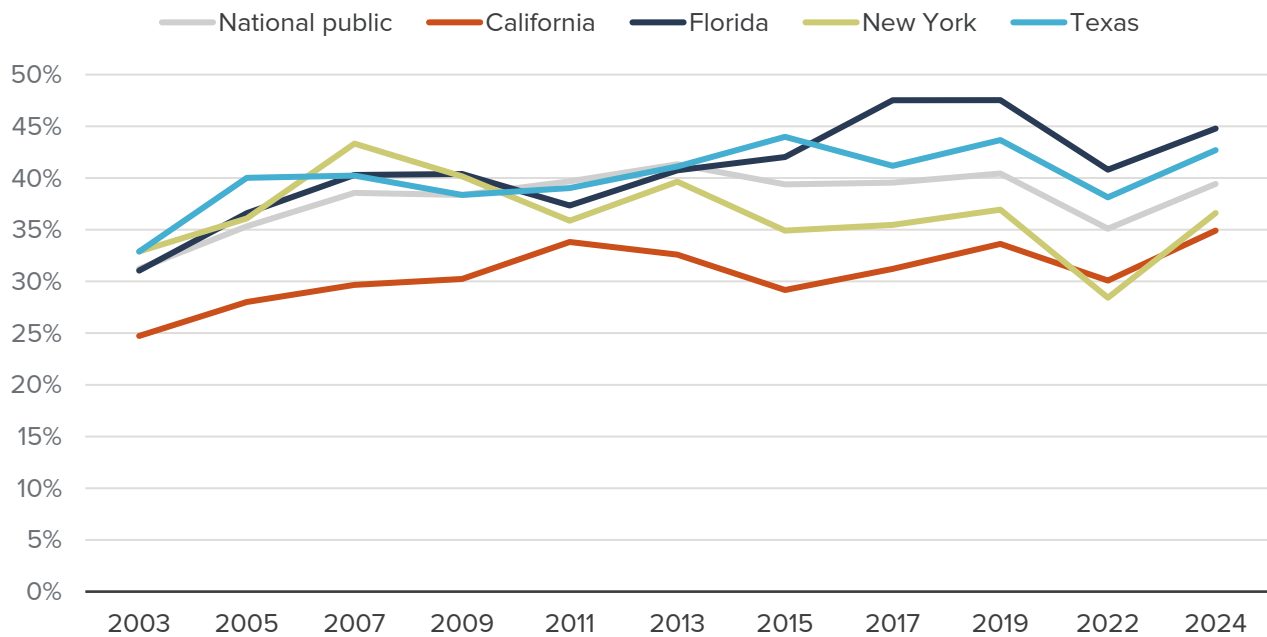


Sources: U.S. Department of Education. Institute of Education Sciences, National Center for Education Statistics, National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), Reading and Mathematics Assessments 2003-2024.

Notes The 2021 administration of the NAEP was postponed until 2022 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

E2. NAEP Proficiency by State, 4th Grade Math, 2003–2024

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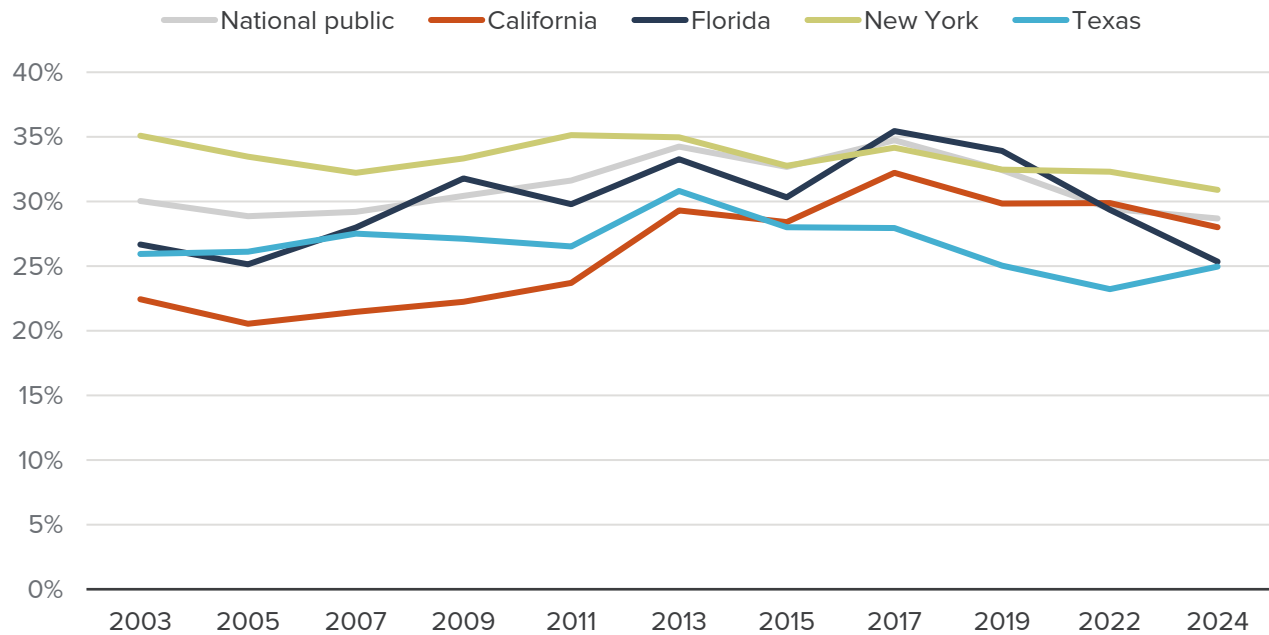
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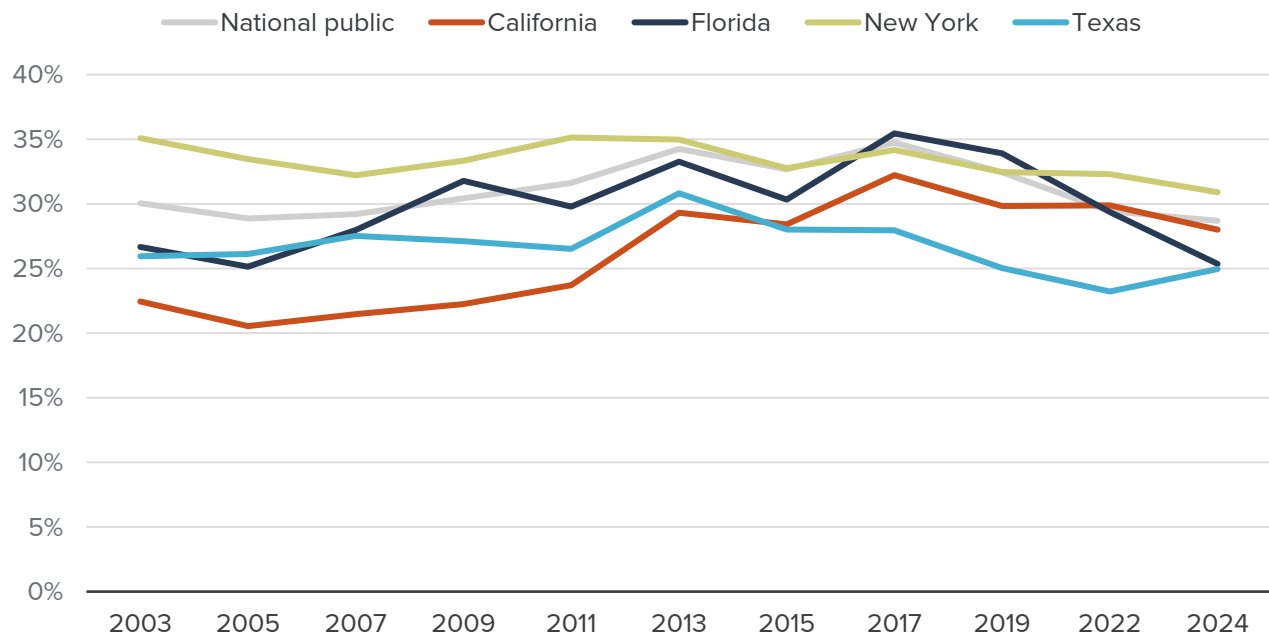


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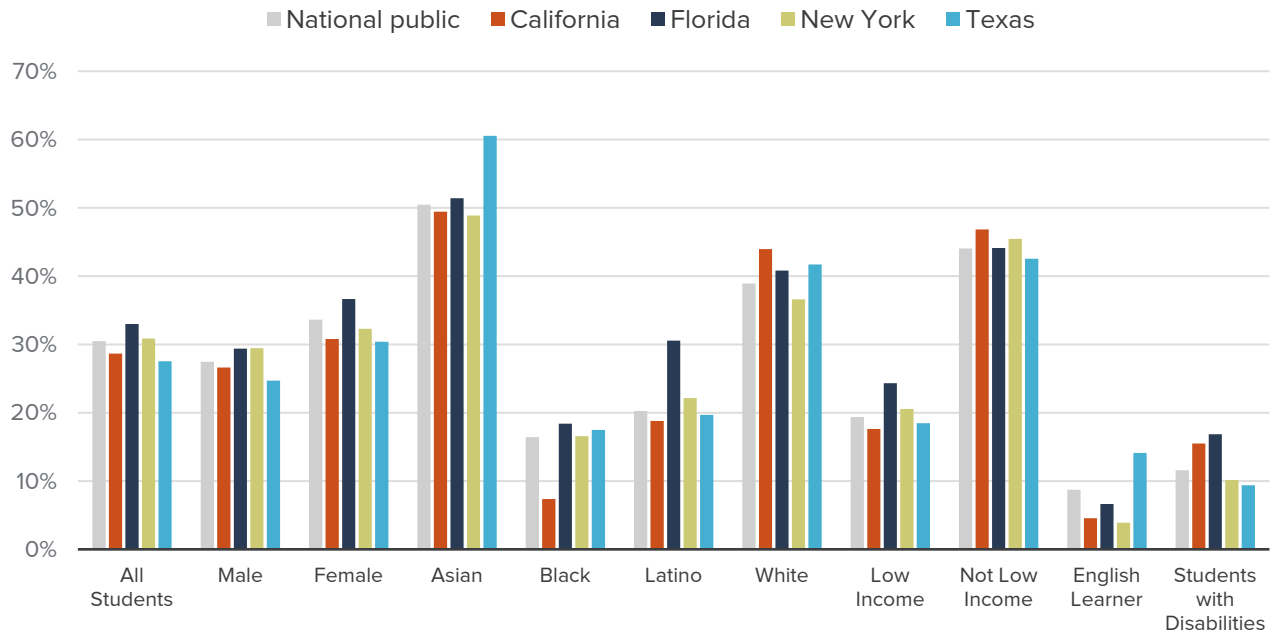
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F1. NAEP Proficiency by State and Student Group, 4th Grade Reading, 2024

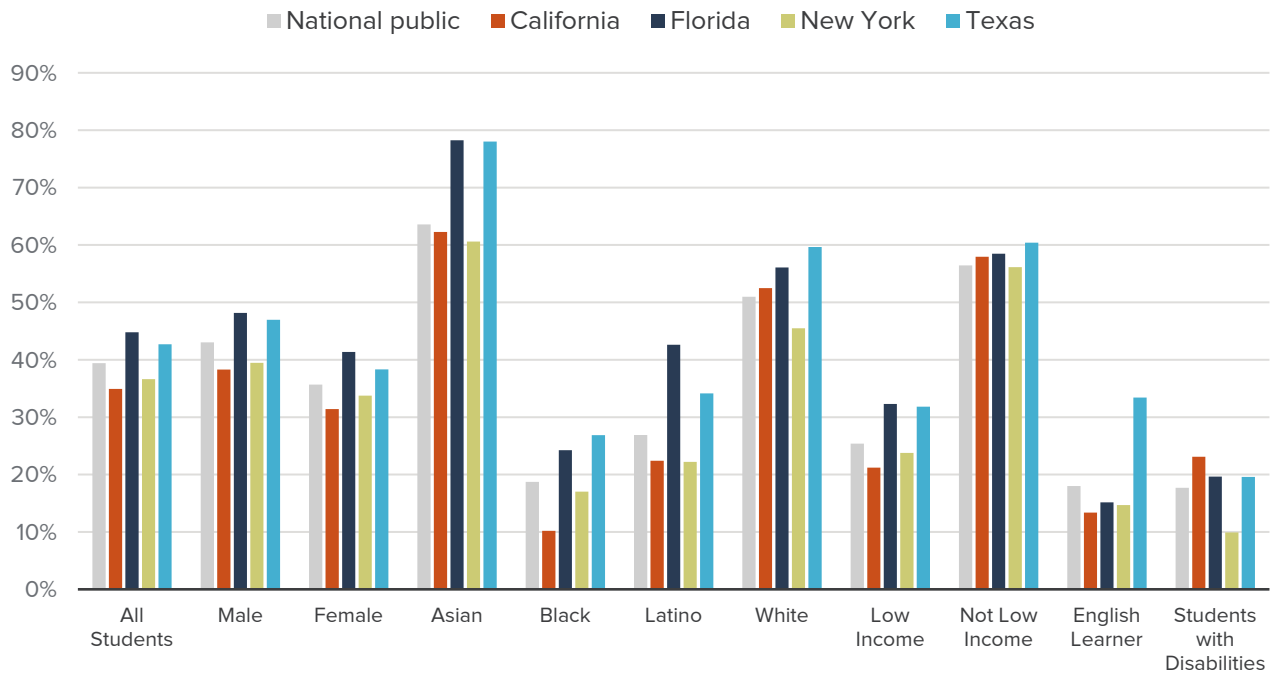
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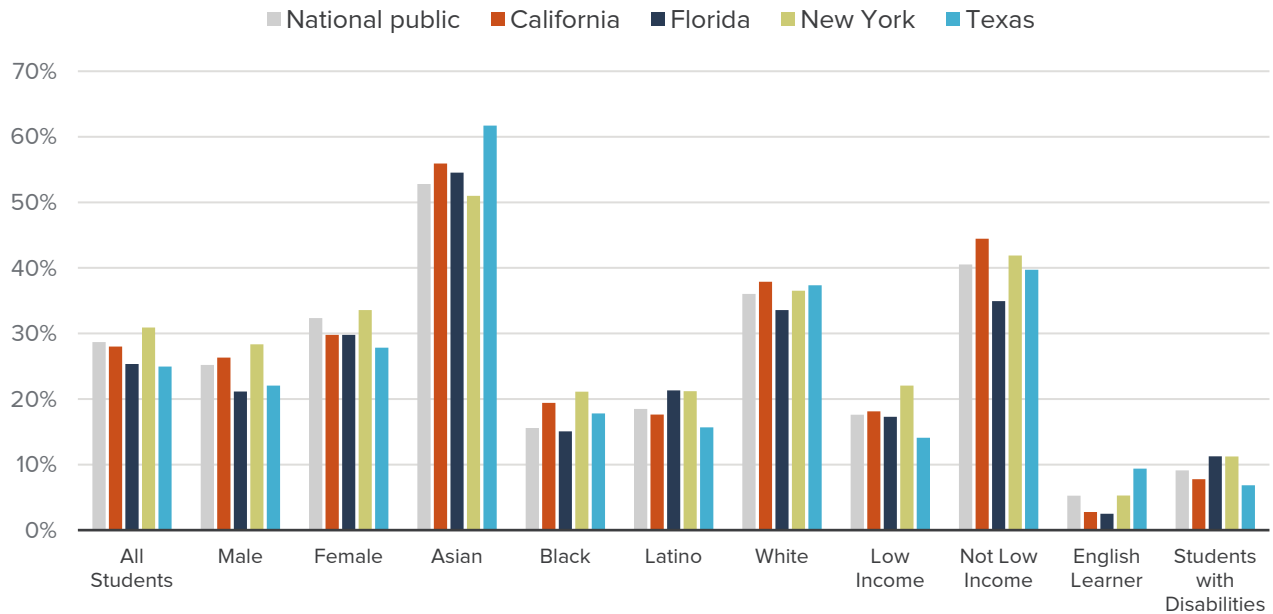


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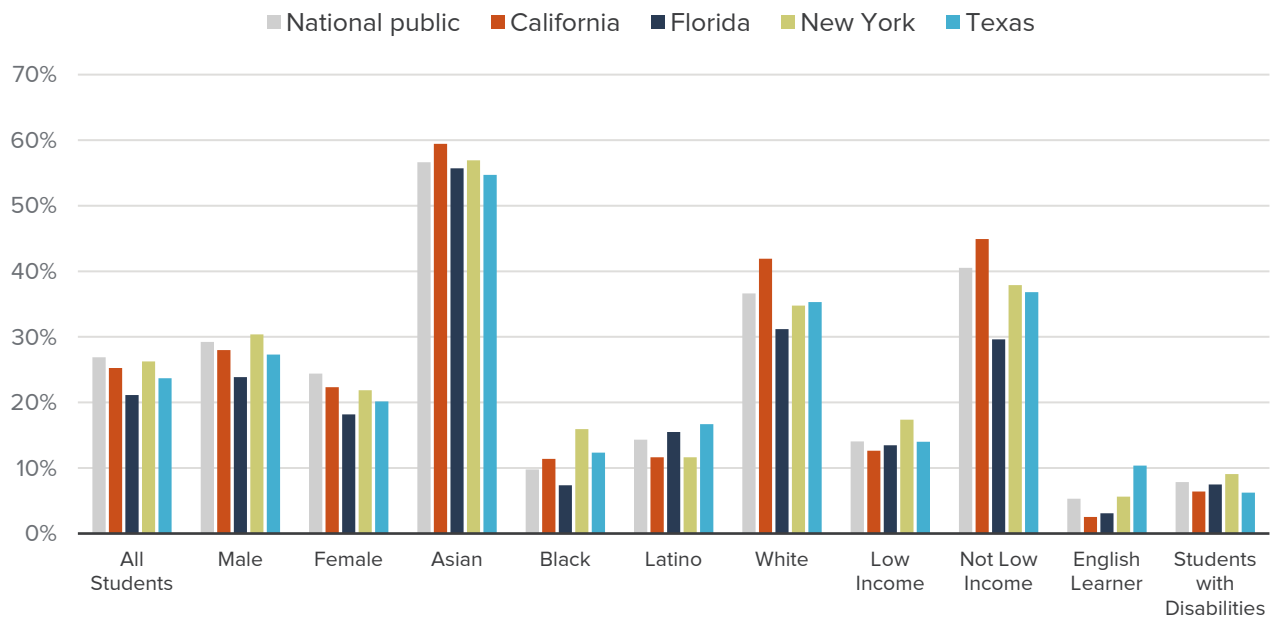
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