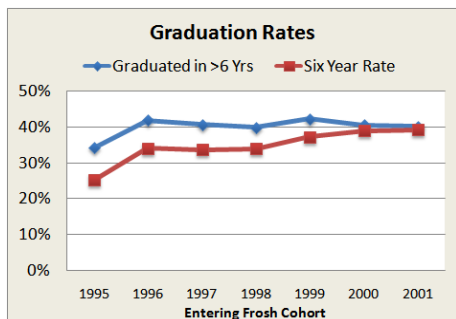
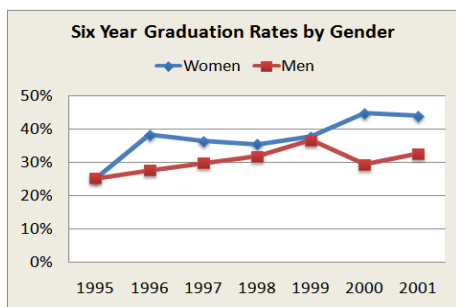


Graduation Rates*

The graduation rates among first-year students have been improving steadily since the entering cohort in 1995. The six-year graduation rate has also caught up to the total graduation rate which includes students finishing after six years (note that earlier cohorts have had more time to graduate).

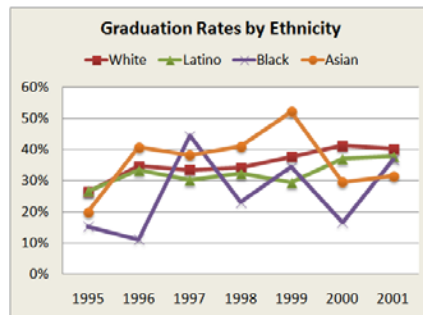


Since the 1995 cohort, there has been a noticeable gender difference. The gender gap in the 2000 cohort was 16 points with women at 45% and men at 29%.

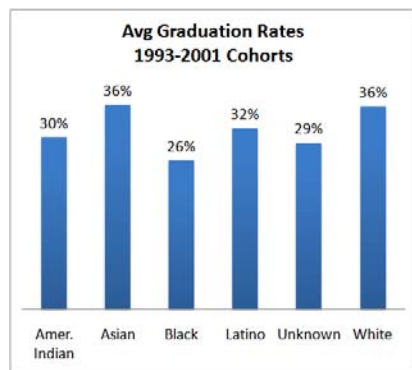


Graduation rates vary by ethnicity across the cohorts. The rates for each group

converged for the 1995 and the 2001 cohorts, but the sudden decline among Asian students between 1999 and 2000 is unusual.

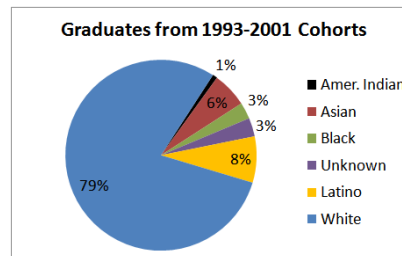


On average among 9 cohorts of first-year students, the six-year graduation rates are highest among Asian and White students.



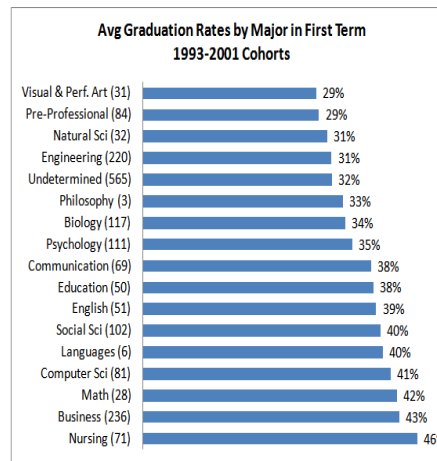
Whereas some minority groups are graduating at near the same rate as all students, the vast of graduates from the 1993-2001 cohorts were White (79%).

The ethnicity-based proportions among graduates are similar to the proportions of entering cohorts. This suggests that graduation rates are not disproportional.



Ethnicity	% of Cohort	% of Grads
Amer. Indian	1%	1%
Asian	6%	6%
Black	3%	4%
Latino	8%	9%
White	80%	77%
Unknown	3%	4%

Based on students' major in their first term, graduation rates range from 29% in VAPA to 46% in Nursing.

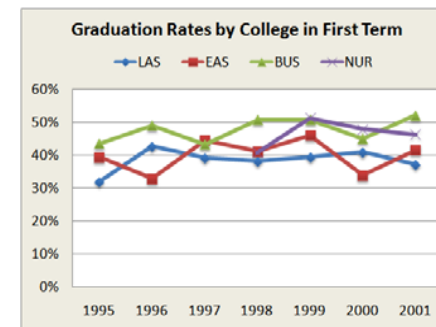


However, students often change their major during their academic careers at UCCS. Among the 1993-2001 cohorts of students who graduated within six years, Communication gained the most graduates compared to initial majors.

The programs which lost the most are undecided and pre-professional programs which are designed to matriculate students into other majors.

Biggest Gainers	Biggest Losers
COMM (206)	LSUD (-565)
PSYC (97)	ENG PREP (-94)
NURS (91)	BUS UND (-92)
MKTG (87)	ENG UND (-79)
SOCI (67)	NUR PREP (-53)
GES (61)	PRE ED (-50)
INFO SYS (57)	PRE MED (-29)
FNCE (43)	PRE NUR (-21)
ORG MGMT (40)	GEN BUS (-15)
ELEC ENG (38)	PRE PT (-11)

Graduation rates also vary according to the students' college in their first term. Undecided majors are categorized in the College of Letters, Arts & Sciences (LAS). Business (BUS) and Beth-El (NUR) have the highest graduation rates.



Among the entering first-year students between 1993 and 2001, approximately 90% of the women and 88% of the men were full-time students in their first semester. Colorado residents comprised an average of 87% of the cohorts.

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* The graduation rate is calculated as the percentage of entering freshman in Fall terms of entering cohorts who graduate by Spring of their sixth year. (It differs from official reporting which only includes full-timers and allows for exceptions.)