FACT

In SY 2015–16, the national graduation rate reached a record high of 84.1 percent for all public high school students, an increase of 4.1 percentage points from 2011-2012 (80 percent).

Between SYs 2010–11 and 2015–16, graduation rates consistently increased for all racial and ethnic groups. Asian/Pacific Islander and White students graduated at higher rates than the national average for all students. The gaps between “all students” rates and ELs decreased by approximately 4.8 percentage points since SY 2010–11.
Fact
In SY 2015–16, ELs graduation rates grew by nearly 10 percentage points (from 57 percent to 66.9 percent).

Fact
During SY 2015–16, fifteen states reported 70 percent or more of ELs graduated from high school. The three states with the highest graduation rate for ELs included: West Virginia (93 percent), followed by Arkansas (86 percent), Iowa (83 percent), and Indiana (81 percent).