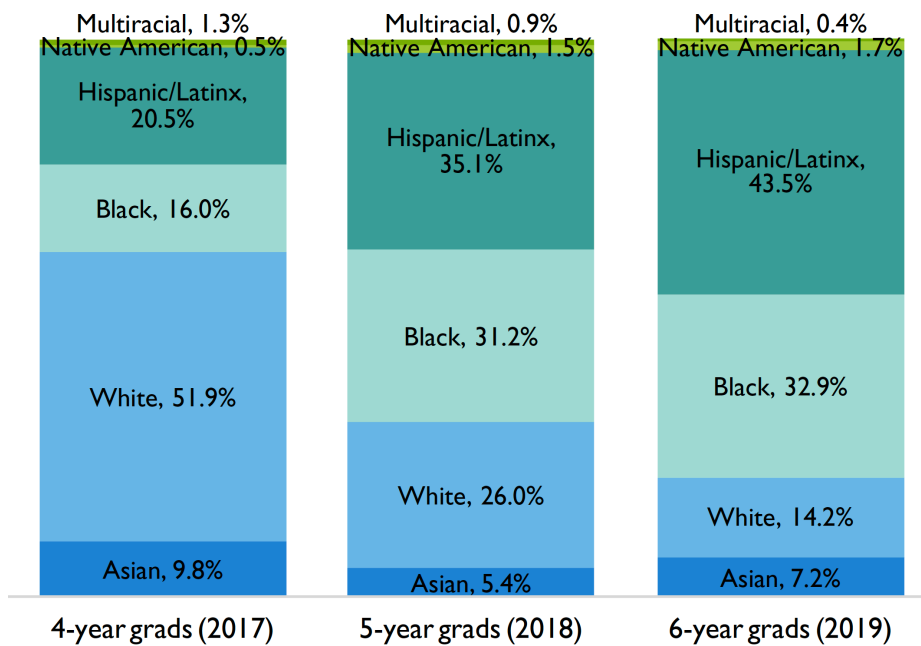


# WHO ARE SIXTH-YEAR GRADUATES?

Over 95% of students who graduate high school in New York State do so in four years. A small group of students need more time. Students who need five or six years to graduate look different from the graduating class as a whole.

## Fifth- and sixth-year graduates are more likely to be students of color.

More than 75% of the 2,722 students who graduated in 2019 after six years in high school were Black or Latinx, compared to less than 40% of 4-year graduates from the same cohort (i.e., students who also started ninth grade in 2013, but graduated in 2017).



## Students with disabilities and English Language Learners (ELLs) who graduate high school in New York State are disproportionately likely to need six years to do so.

One in twelve ELLs who entered ninth grade in 2013 and successfully earned a diploma needed six years to do so, compared to about one in 70 non-ELL graduates; graduates with disabilities were more than three times as likely as those without disabilities to need a sixth year.

