The Problem in Massachusetts

In MA, 55% of the students need further attention to become prepared for or to enroll in post-secondary.

MA Secondary Students Graduation Profile, 2012 Cohort

- **Do Not Graduate**: 12% of the students do not graduate within the fall of their graduating year.
- **Graduate and Disconnected**: 27% of the students graduate but require remedial courses.
- **Graduate and Connect to Remediation**: 17% of the students graduate and connect to remedial courses.
- **Graduate and Connect to Success**: 45% of the students graduate and connect to success.

**Graduate and Connect to Success:**

- Students who enroll in a post-secondary institution within the fall of their graduating year and do not require remedial courses.
- Post-secondary institutions include private and public 2 and 4-year colleges and community colleges.

**Graduate and Connect to Remediation:**

- Students that enroll in post-secondary remedial courses.

**Graduate and Disconnected:**

- Students that do not enroll in a post-secondary institution during the fall of their graduating year.
- Note: Because cohort-level enrollment data is only available for immediate fall enrollment, this percentage may be slightly inflated when compared to 16 month enrollment numbers.

**Do Not Graduate:**

- Students that do not graduate high school within 5 years.

Note: Students must enroll in a post-secondary institution in the fall of their graduating year to qualify as immediate enrollees. Remediation rates are estimated based on the number of students in a graduating class that enroll in developmental courses at MA public post-secondary institutions. The remediation rates of students that do not attend public MA post-secondary schools is estimated by applying the national ratio of remediation rates for private 4-year non-profit institutions to public 4-year institutions. All analysis is done at a school level, which leads to slightly suppressed data compared to statewide figures.

Source: MA DESE, DART, NCES