

ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS

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WHAT IS ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS?

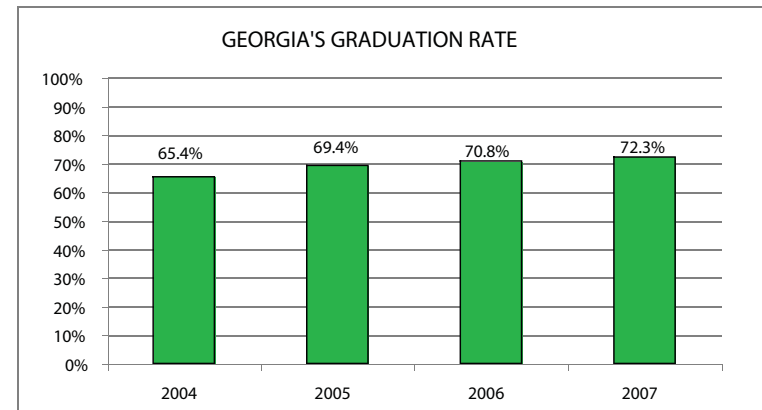
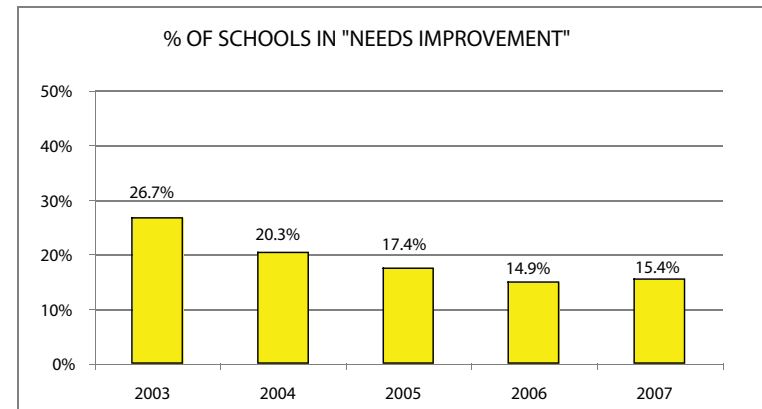
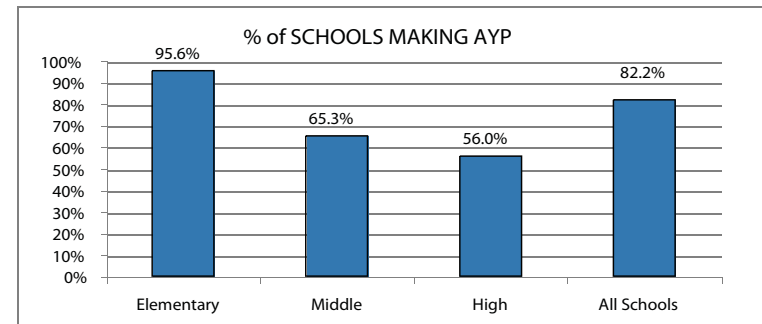
- ✓ Adequate Yearly Progress – or AYP – is the formula used to determine if schools and school systems are meeting standards. It is required under the Federal No Child Left Behind Act. It consists of three parts:
 - ◆ Participation in Reading/English Language Arts and Math Tests
 - ◆ Academic Performance in Reading/English Language Arts and Math
 - ◆ A “Second Indicator,” which is graduation rate in high school and usually attendance in elementary and middle school.
- ✓ **DISTINGUISHED SCHOOLS** have made AYP for at least three years in a row.
- ✓ **NEEDS IMPROVEMENT (NI) SCHOOLS** have not made AYP for at least two consecutive years in the same subject and receive additional support to make improvement.
- ✓ **NI SCHOOLS ARE NOT NECESSARILY “FAILING” SCHOOLS:** Often times schools may have missed making AYP because of the performance of a single subgroup of students. Make sure you know why a school missed AYP!

WHAT'S GEORGIA DOING TO IMPROVE NI SCHOOLS?

- ✓ GaDOE's **SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT DIVISION** puts Leadership Facilitators in schools and school systems to help schools get out of NI status. These Leadership Facilitators use research-based methods and best practices that are working elsewhere and are sharing those with all schools.

WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP?

- ✓ **GET INFORMED:** If your school did not make AYP, learn why.
- ✓ **GET INVOLVED:** Offer to be a mentor or a partner with your local school and help them improve.
- ✓ **MORE INFO:** www.gadoe.org/ayp2007.aspx



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