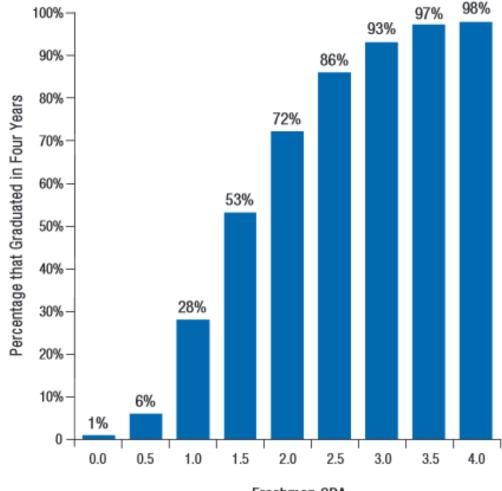
## **The Ninth Grade On-Track Indicator**

### A measure of basic progress in ninth grade

A ninth grade student is on-track with:

- At least 5 credits by the end of the year
- No more than one semester failure in a core class

## Four-Year Graduation Rates by Ninth Grade GPA

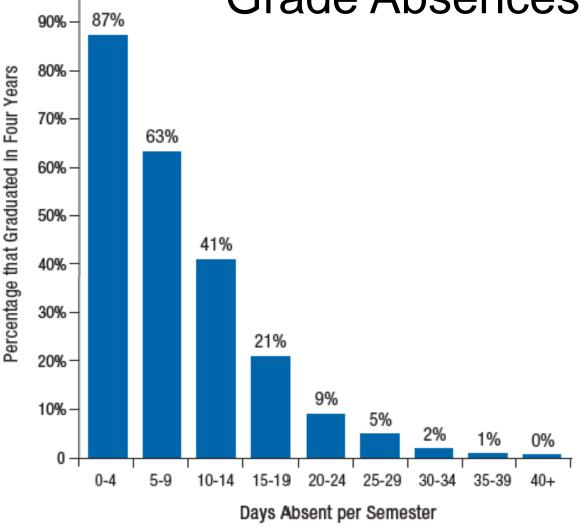


Freshman GPA Rounded to the nearest 0.5

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## Four-Year Graduation rates by Ninth Grade Absences

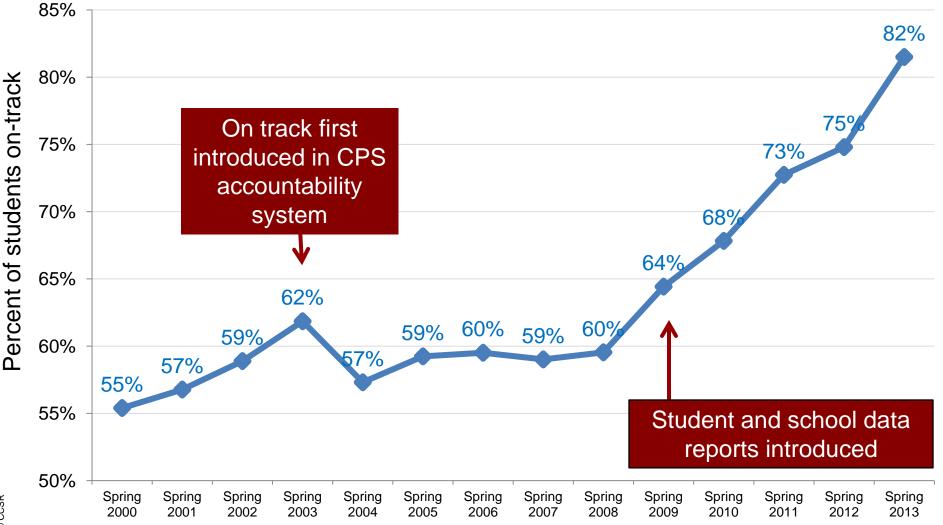


Course cutting counted as partial days

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## On-Track Rates in Chicago 2001-2011



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# Chronic absenteeism is a strong predictor of high school dropout, college readiness

Percent of Students in the Chicago Public Schools who are Chronically Absent, by Grade, 2011-2012 60% 55% Percent Chronically Absent 50% 50% 50% 39% 39% 40% 30% 20% 20% 15% 13% 12% 12% 11% 11% 10% 9% 10% preschool grade i grad 0% Absence Rate: ■ 10% < 15% ■ 15% < 20% ■ 20%+

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