

# Manitoba Child Health Atlas 2004

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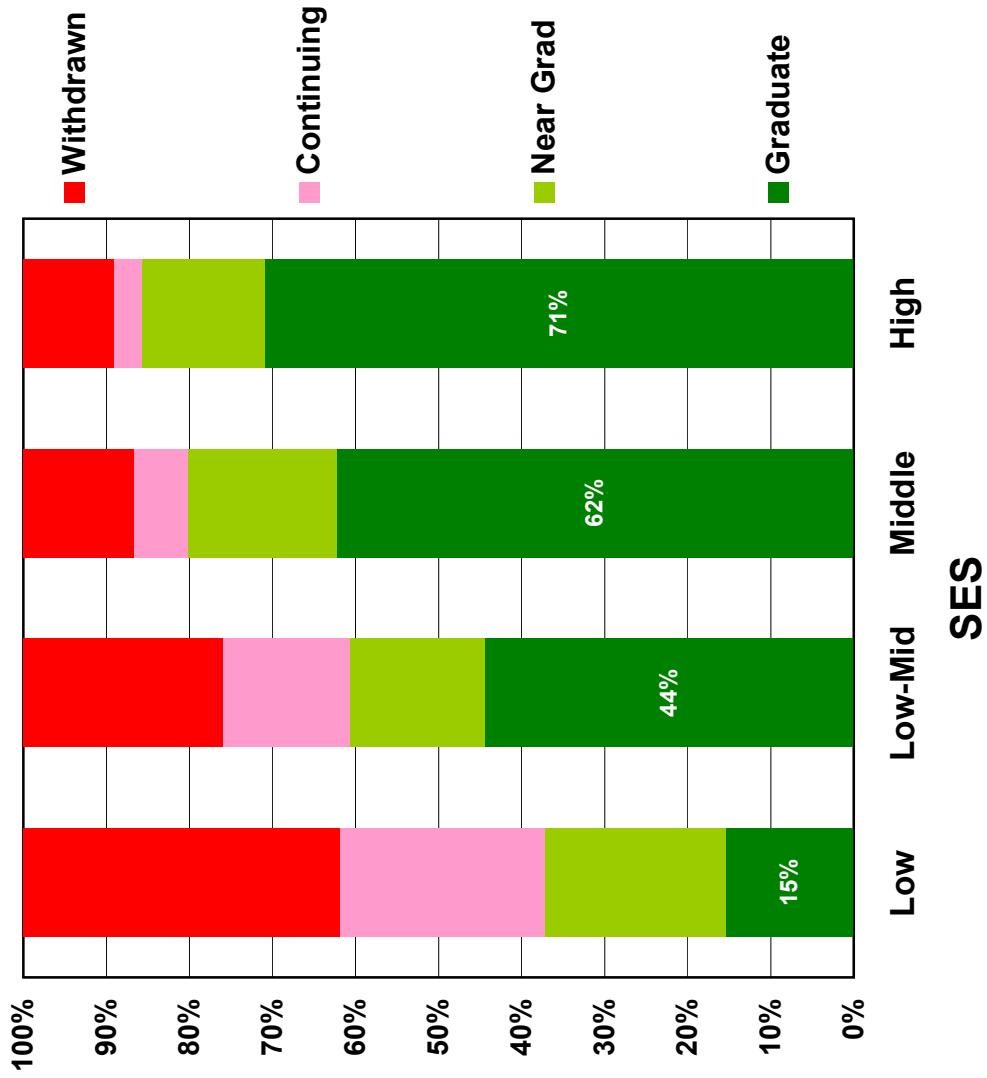
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[http://www.umanitoba.ca/centres/mchp/reports/child\\_inequalities](http://www.umanitoba.ca/centres/mchp/reports/child_inequalities)

## Education Indicators: High School Completion by Non-Winnipeg SES Group

What proportion of kids in each SES group outside of Winnipeg will graduate? To answer this question, we took a cohort of students enrolled in Grade 9 (S1) in 1997/98 and still living in Manitoba four or five years later (depending on how long they remained in the education system). The graph presented here shows what we found. Only 15% of the students from the Low SES areas graduated by the end of five years. Already more than one in six students had withdrawn before completing high school (the students had not been enrolled for two consecutive years). An additional 22% were still in school after five years, but they had not yet made it to Grade 12 (shown as "continuing" on the graph). The remaining 25% were classified as "near graduates", as they were in S4 (Grade 12) in the 4th or 5th year, but without a graduation flag or 28+ credits. The picture was very different for students living in other neighbourhoods. In the High SES areas, 71% had completed high school within five years, and only 11% had withdrawn. Note that students in band-operated schools were excluded from the analysis.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Students in band-operated schools were excluded because enrollment data is only partially reported to the provincial Education Information System (EIS). Some students could be enrolled in a non-band-operated school in Grade 9 and later transfer to a band-operated school and could therefore be misclassified as withdrawn because they no longer appear in

**High School Completion Rates  
by Non-Winnipeg SES Group  
Grade 9 (S1) Students in 1997/98:  
What happens in next 5 years?  
(excludes Band-Operated schools)**



These definitions can be found in the Child Health Atlas Glossary:  
[http://www.umanitoba.ca/centres/mchp/reports/child\\_inequalities/glossary.shtml](http://www.umanitoba.ca/centres/mchp/reports/child_inequalities/glossary.shtml)

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