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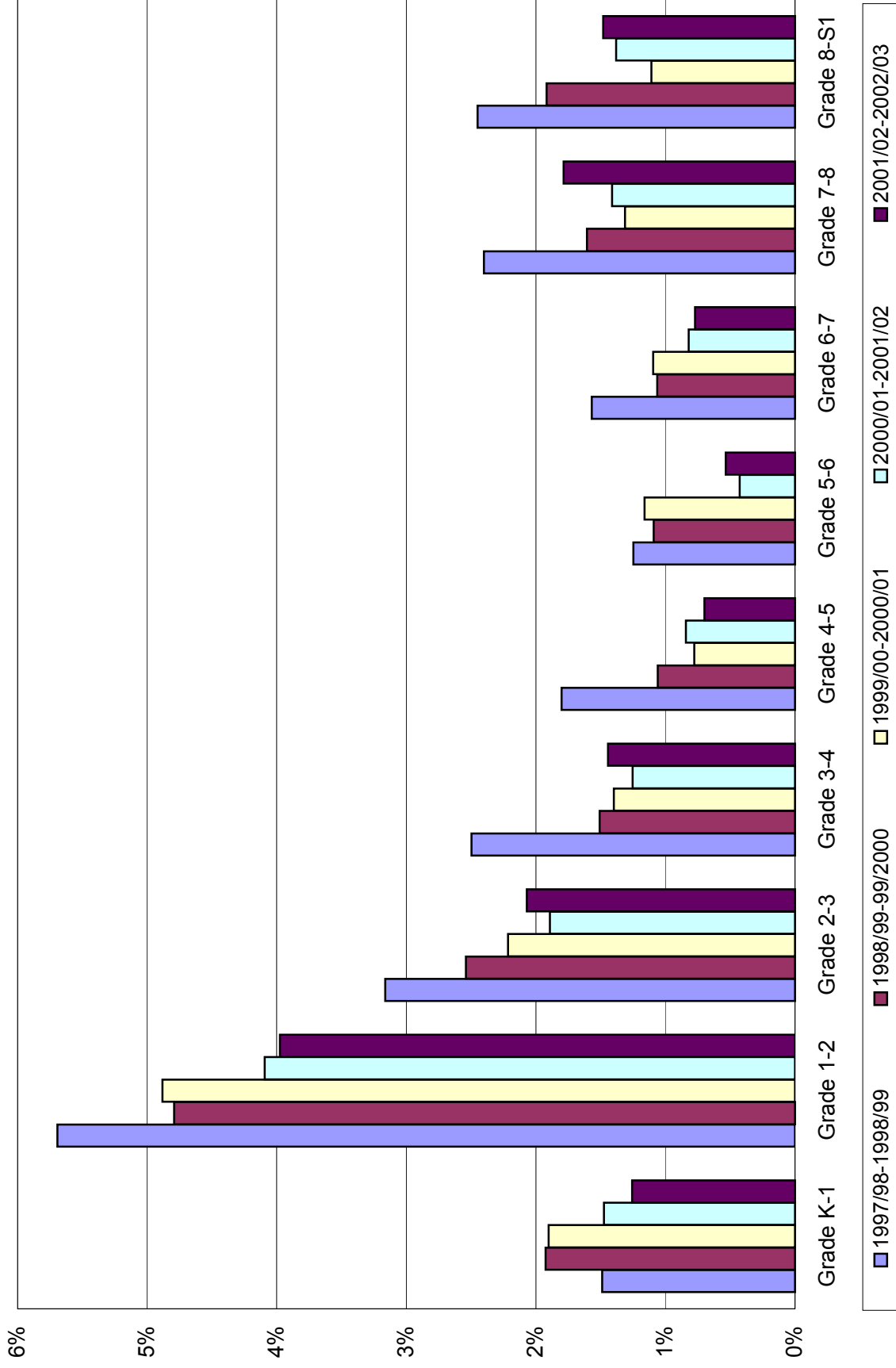
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http://www.umanitoba.ca/centres/mchp/reports/child_inequalities

Education Indicators: Retention Rates by Year and Grade for Non-Winnipeg

How many students are held back a grade in Manitoba? Research has shown that retention in grade fails to provide greater benefits to students with academic or adjustment difficulties than does promotion to the next grade (Jimerson, 2001), and also that it is one of the most powerful predictors of high school dropout (Jimerson, Anderson, & Whipple, 2002); however, school divisions have different policies about whether or not to retain students. This graph shows that retention rates in Manitoba outside of Winnipeg have decreased since 1997. However, rates are still higher in Grade 1 with 4% of students retained in Grade 1 from 2001/02 to 2002/03 compared with 0.5% of students retained in grade 5. Rates are also higher in Grades 7 and 8. As well, retention rates are higher for students living outside of Winnipeg compared with retention rates for students living in Winnipeg (see graph 'Retention Rates by Grades K to 8 in the Years 1997/98 to 2002/03 for Winnipeg').

Retention Rates by Grades K to 8 in the Years 1997/98 to 2002/03 For Non-Winnipeg



These definitions can be found in the Child Health Atlas Glossary:
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