

Nevada State Public Charter School Authority



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SPCSA Overview

What are public charter schools?

- ✓ Tuition-free, public schools
- ✓ Students enrolled through a lottery (school may not impose any admission criteria*)
- ✓ Required to take all state assessments (SBAC, ACT, etc.)
- ✓ Governed by volunteer board of directors
- ✓ May not operate for profit
- ✓ Subject to a performance contract with a charter school sponsor

**Pursuant to NRS 388A.274, a charter school may, with approval from the SPCSA and State Board of Education be rated under the Alternative Performance Framework schools and restrict enrollment to certain students, including those that are significantly under-credited.*

Creation and Purpose

Created in 2011, the purpose of the State Public Charter School Authority is to:

“ Authorize charter schools of high-quality throughout this State with the goal of expanding the opportunities for pupils in this State, including, without limitation, pupils who are at risk.

Provide oversight to the charter schools that it sponsors to ensure that those charter schools maintain high educational and operational standards, preserve autonomy and safeguard the interests of pupils and the community.

Serve as a model of the best practices in sponsoring charter schools and foster a climate in this State in which all high-quality charter schools, regardless of sponsor, can flourish. ”

NRS 388A.150

About the State Public Charter School Authority

- 9 Member board appointed by Governor, Senate Majority Leader, Speaker of the Assembly, State Board of Education, and Charter School Association of Nevada
- 20 Full time employees who conduct oversight of schools and execute Local Education Agency responsibilities (ex. monitoring, technical assistance, managing grants)
- 2 Offices, one located in Carson City and one located in Las Vegas
- \$20M Of federal and state grants passed through to schools annually



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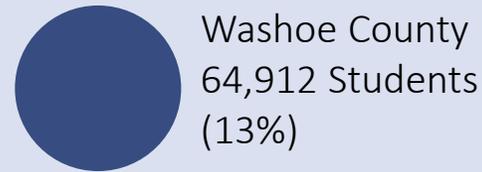
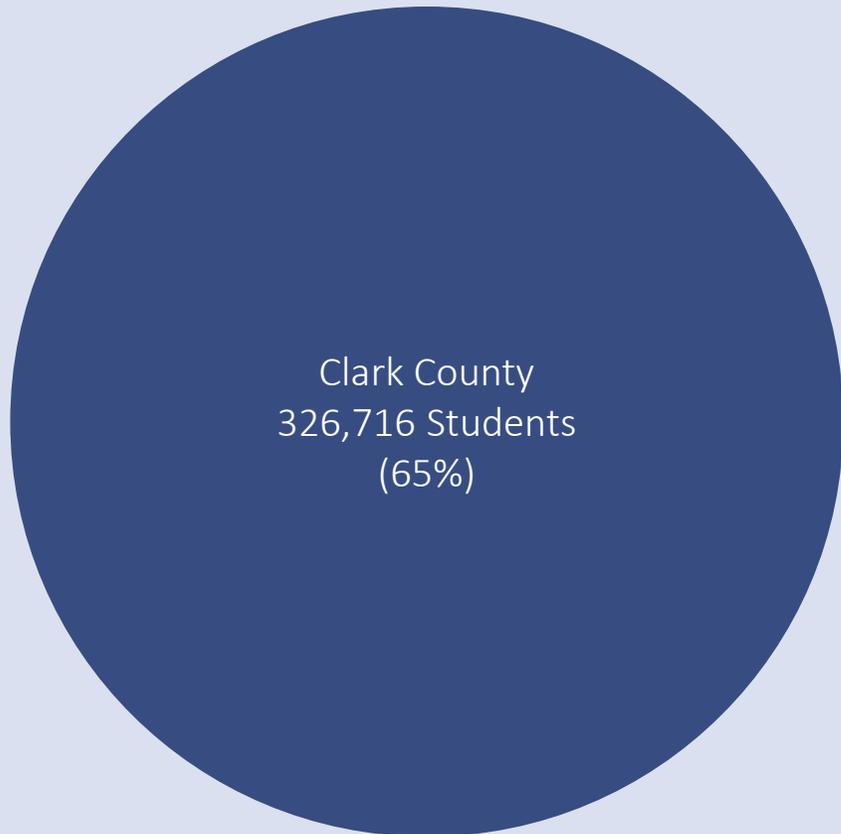


Sponsored Schools

Overview of Schools and Students Served

There are 60 schools sponsored by the SPCSA located across five counties: Churchill, Clark, Elko, Washoe, and White Pine. Of the schools sponsored by the SPCSA, 85% are located in Clark County.

District and Charter School Enrollment



- Districts under 5k, combined
12,640 Students
(3%)
- Elko County
10,263 Students
(2%)
- Lyon County
9,042 Students
(2%)
- Carson City
7,935 Students
(2%)
- Douglas County
5,787 Students
(1%)
- Nye County
5,712 Students
(1%)

SPCSA-Sponsored Schools

By offering a variety of school models, the SPCSA enables Nevada families to choose schools that best align with the needs and interests of their children.

- Alternative High Schools Serving Under-Credited Students
- Arts Integration Schools
- A Montessori School
- A Sports Leadership and Management School
- Dual Enrollment High Schools
- Online or Blended Learning Schools
- Classical Education Schools
- STEM/STEAM Schools





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Academic Performance

During the 2018-19 school year, SPCSA-sponsored schools showed strong growth and overall performance.

Star Ratings



78%
of schools rated 3-star
or better



64%
4- and 5-Star Schools



11 point increase
in 4- and 5-Star Schools
compared to prior year

Graduation Rate



78%
4-year Graduation Rate



7 point increase
compared to prior year

14 of 17 high schools
exceeded the statewide graduation rate



Student Performance



60%
3-8 grade ELA proficiency

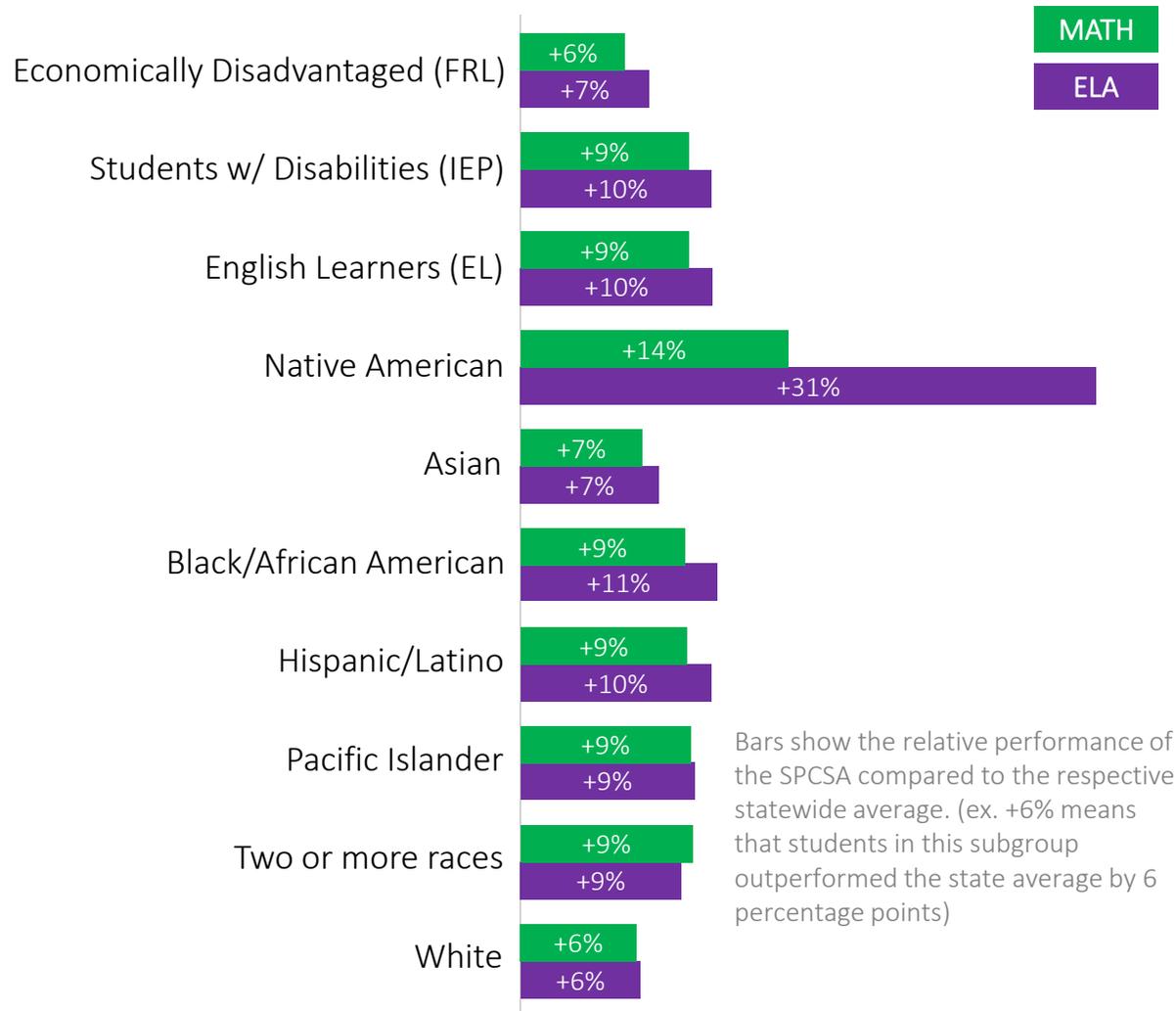


53%
11th grade ELA proficiency

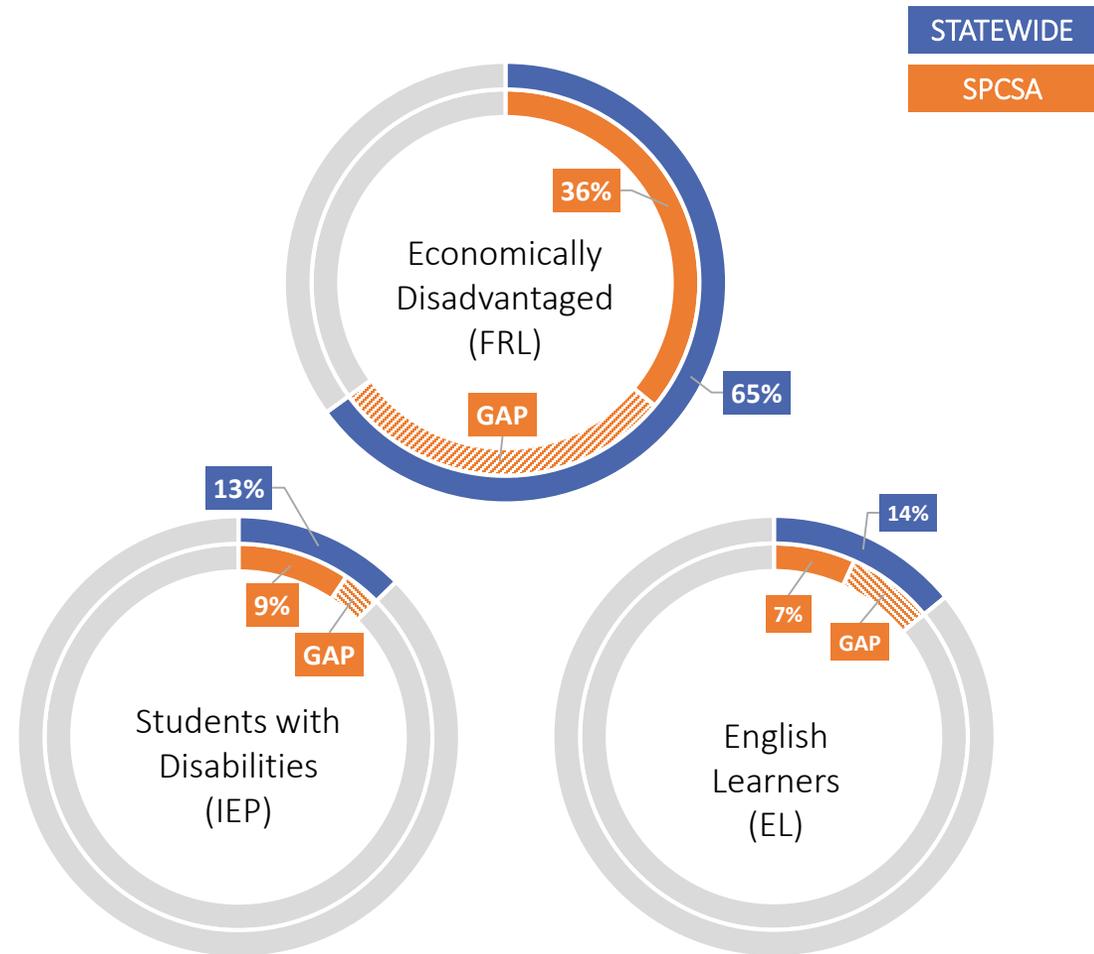
3 consecutive years
of 3 – 8 grade Math and ELA gains



All student groups outperformed the state in 3rd-8th grade Math and English Language Arts (ELA)



We are focused on increasing access for underserved student groups



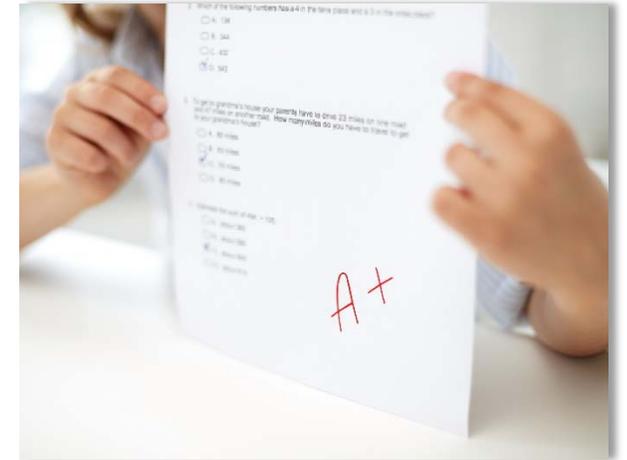
2018-19 Awards and Recognitions

Nevada ESEA Distinguished Schools (total of 3 identified statewide)

- Democracy Prep at the Agassi Campus Middle School
- Mater Academy of Northern Nevada Middle School

Shining-Star Schools

School	Percent FRL	Star Rating
Mater Academy of Norther Nevada MS	92.8%	5
Equipo Academy MS	>95%	5
Equipo Academy HS	>95%	4
Mater Academy Mt. Vista ES	>95%	4
Mater Academy Mt. Vista MS	>95%	5
Mater Academy Bonanza MS	83.2%	4
Nevada State High School Downtown	71.2%	5
Democracy Prep Agassi MS	>95%	5
Nevada Prep MS	89.1%	5



A Shining-Star School is a high-performing school serving a high percentage of students in poverty.



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Strategic Plan



Vision

Equitable access to diverse, innovative, and high-quality public schools for every Nevada student.

Mission

The SPCSA sponsors, supports, and oversees dynamic and responsive public charter schools that prepare all students for academic, social, and economic success.

STUDENT FOCUSED

We put what is best for students at the center of our work and honor the critical role that families play in student success.



LEADERSHIP

We earn the public's trust by holding our agency to the highest standards and investing in our growth and development.



EXCELLENCE THROUGH IMPROVEMENT

We establish clear, high expectations and constantly seek growth for ourselves and foster improvement for our schools.



OUR VALUES

EQUITY & DIVERSITY

We are committed to ensuring equitable access for students from all backgrounds and value the voices of all members of our community.



TRANSPARENCY

We promote transparent and open communication and make school performance data accessible to all stakeholders.



ACCOUNTABLE AUTONOMY

We provide our charter schools with the autonomy to innovate in the best interests of students while holding them accountable for academic results, financial performance, and legal compliance, so that students, families, and taxpayers can be confident in the quality of the schools we sponsor.

Five-Year Goals

- ✓ Provide families with access to high quality schools
- ✓ Ensure that every SPCSA student succeeds – including those from historically underserved student groups
- ✓ Increase the diversity of students served by SPCSA schools

Strategies



Proactive Oversight



Strategic Growth



Expanded Support



Recognize Progress



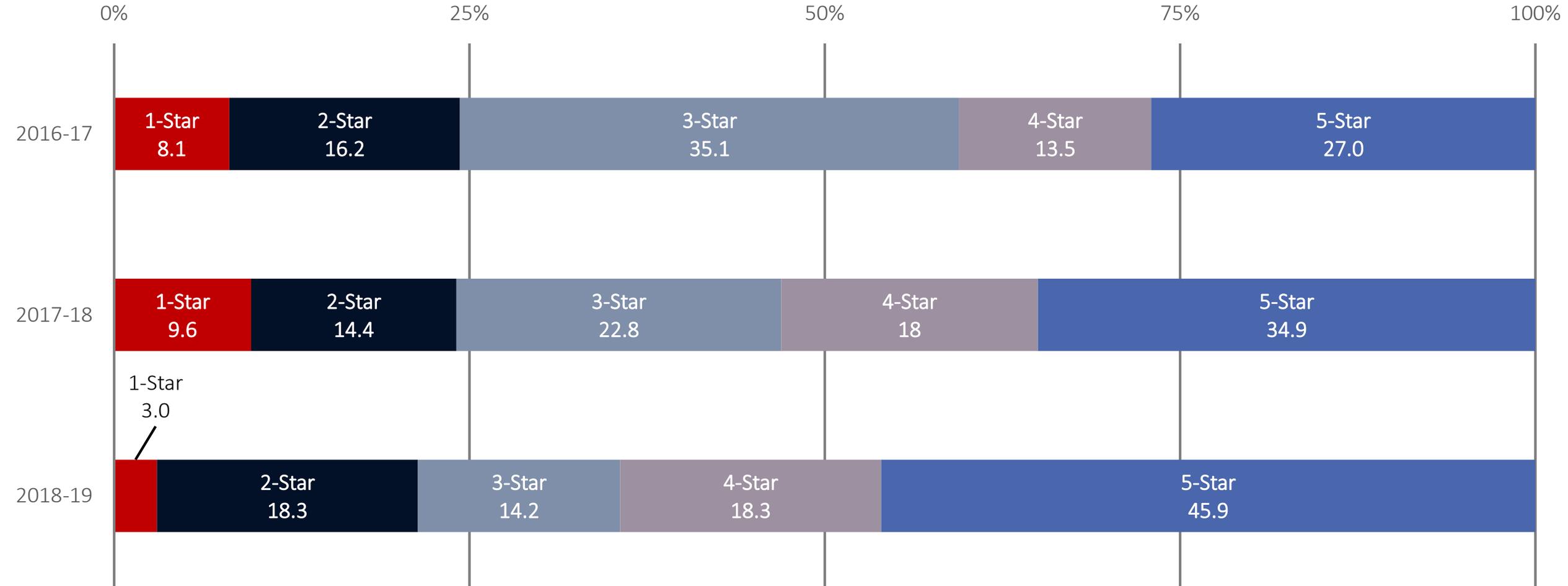
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Appendix

3-Year Star Rating Trend

SPCSA 3-Year Trend: Star Rating Percentages

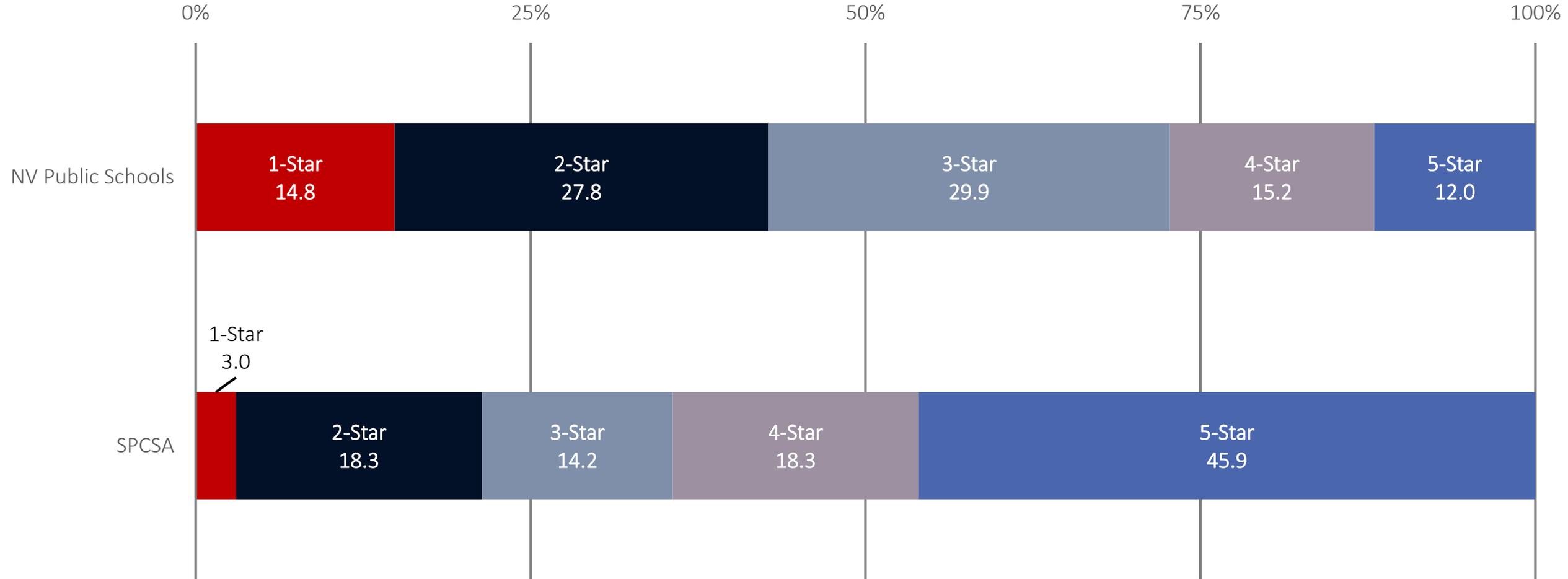


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Star Rating Comparison

Nevada vs. SPCSA: 2018-19 Star Rating Percentages

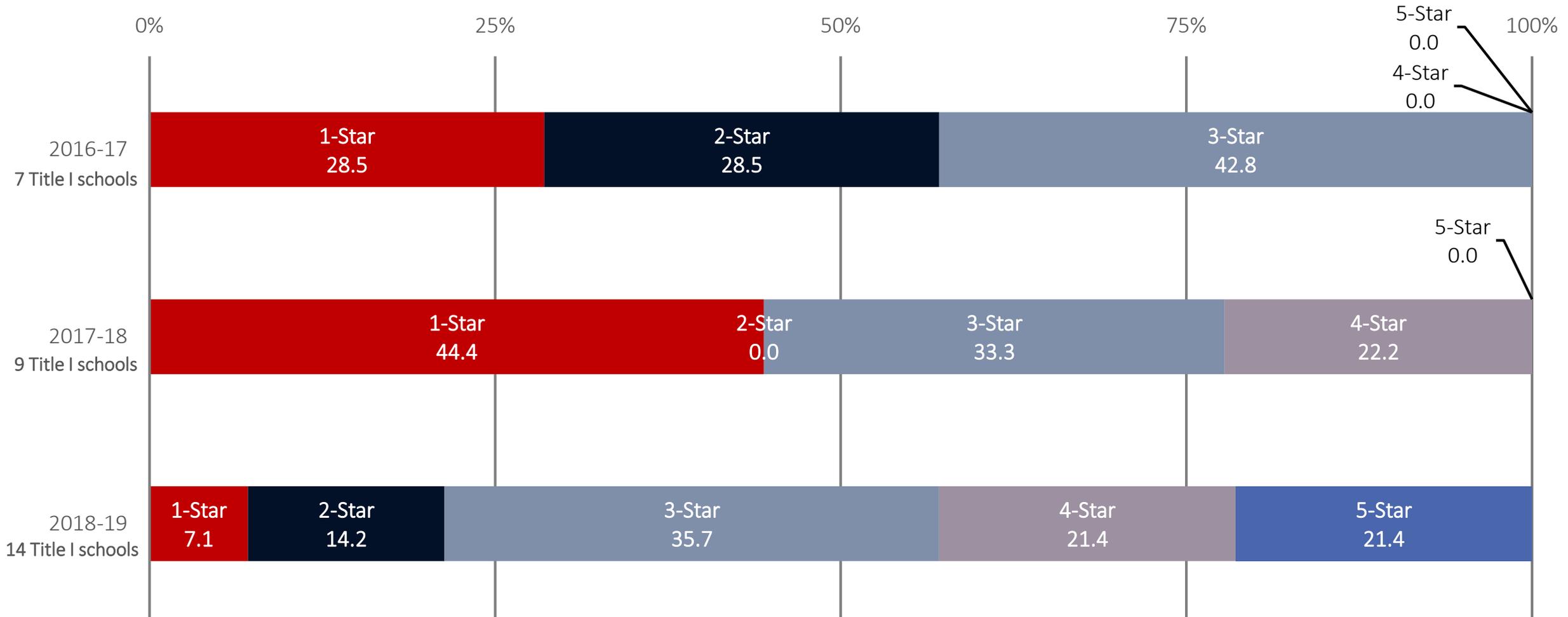


NV Public Schools includes all districts except SPCSA.

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3-Year Star Rating Trend – Title I Schools

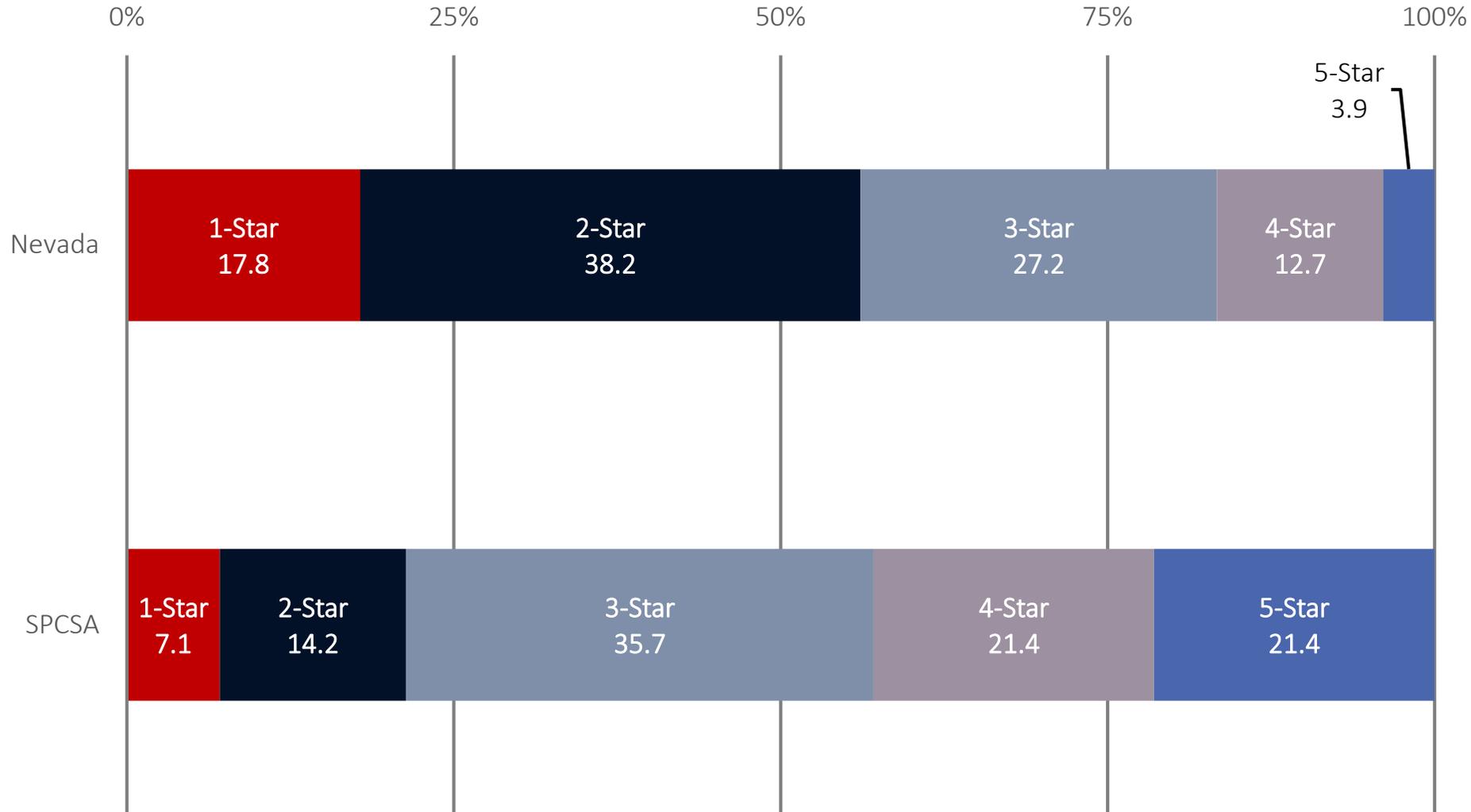
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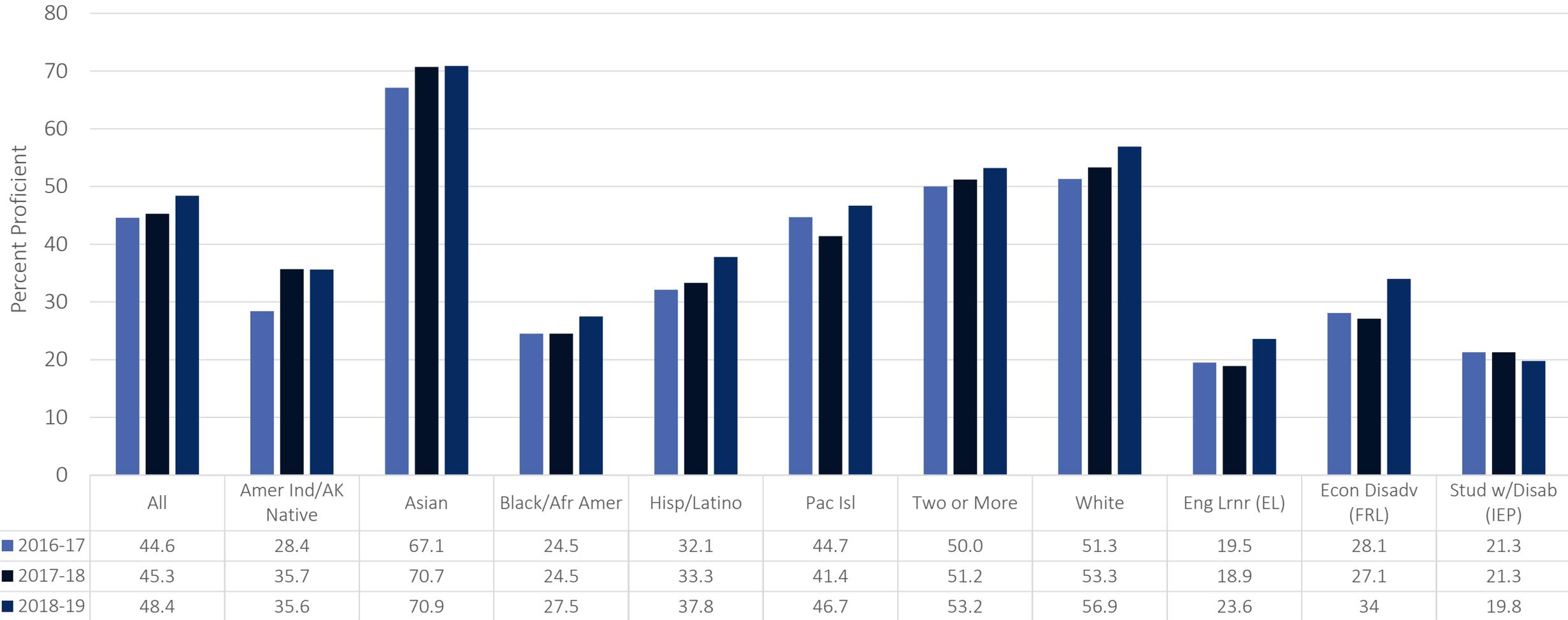
Star Rating Comparison – Title I Schools

Nevada vs. SPCSA: 2018-19 Title I Schools Star Rating Percentages



3-Year Math Proficiency Trend (3rd-8th Grade)

SPCSA 3-Year Trend: Smarter Math Proficiency

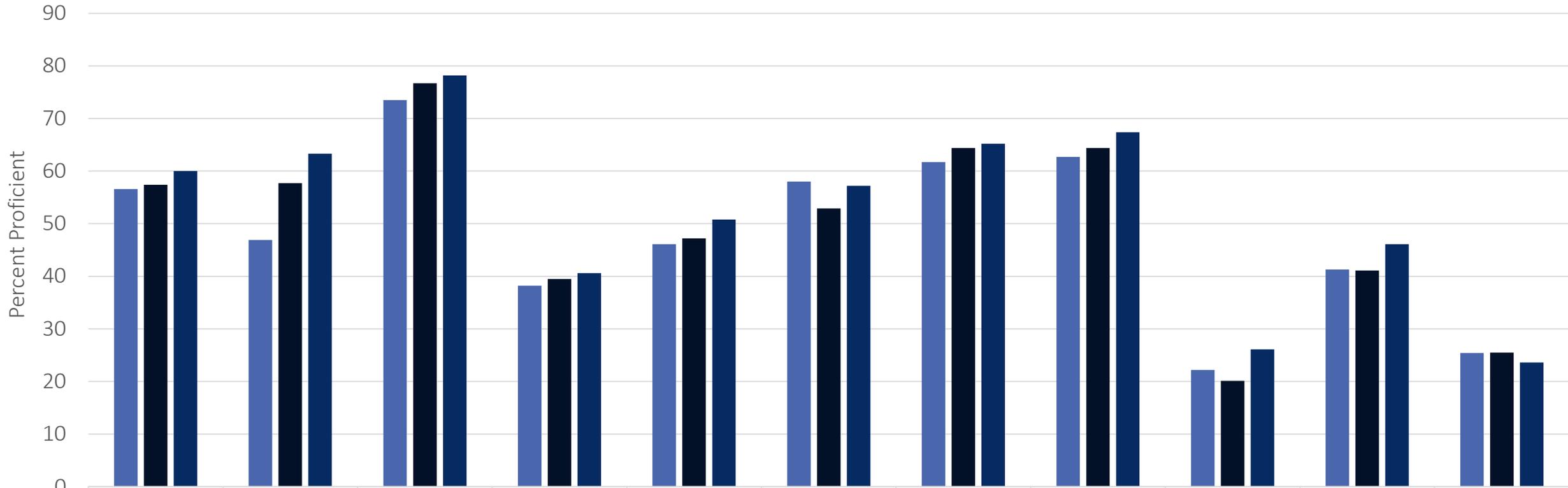


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3-Year English Language Arts Proficiency Trend (3rd-8th Grade)

SPCSA 3-Year Trend: Smarter ELA Proficiency



	All	Amer Ind/AK Native	Asian	Black/Afr Amer	Hisp/Latino	Pac Isl	Two or More	White	Eng Lrnr (EL)	Econ Disadv (FRL)	Stud w/Disab (IEP)
■ 2016-17	56.6	46.9	73.5	38.2	46.1	58	61.7	62.7	22.2	41.3	25.4
■ 2017-18	57.4	57.7	76.7	39.5	47.2	52.9	64.4	64.4	20.1	41.1	25.5
■ 2018-19	60	63.3	78.2	40.6	50.8	57.2	65.2	67.4	26.1	46.1	23.6

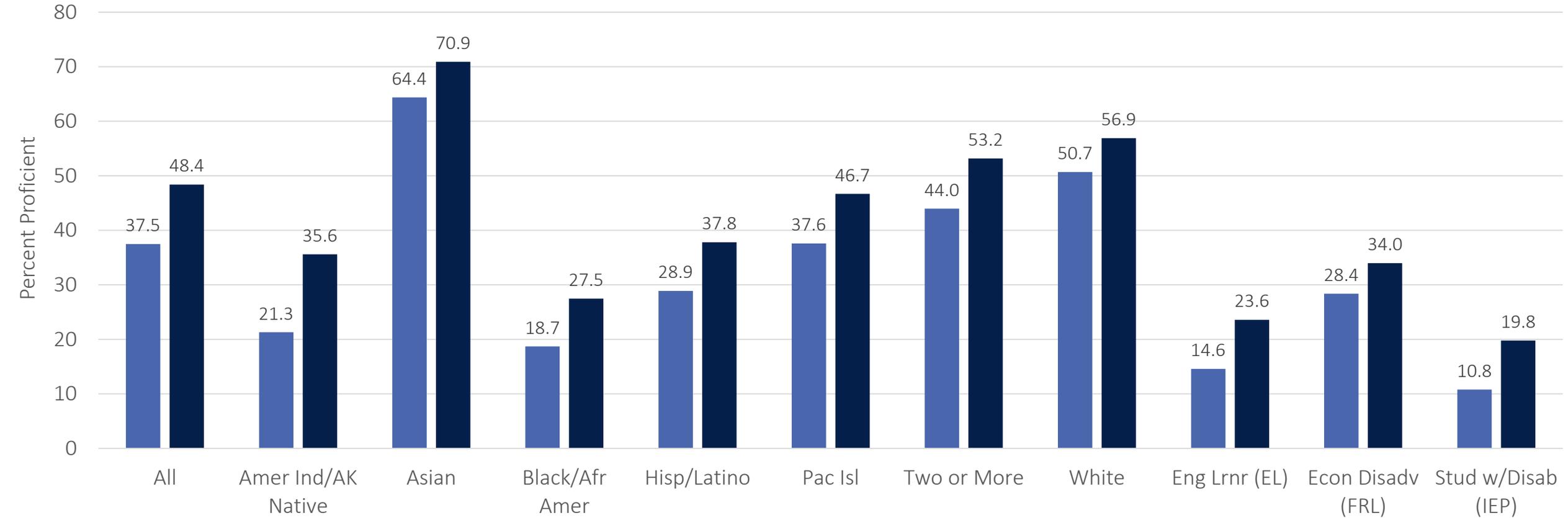
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Math Proficiency Comparison (3rd-8th Grade)

Nevada vs. SPCSA: 2018-19 Smarter Math Proficiency

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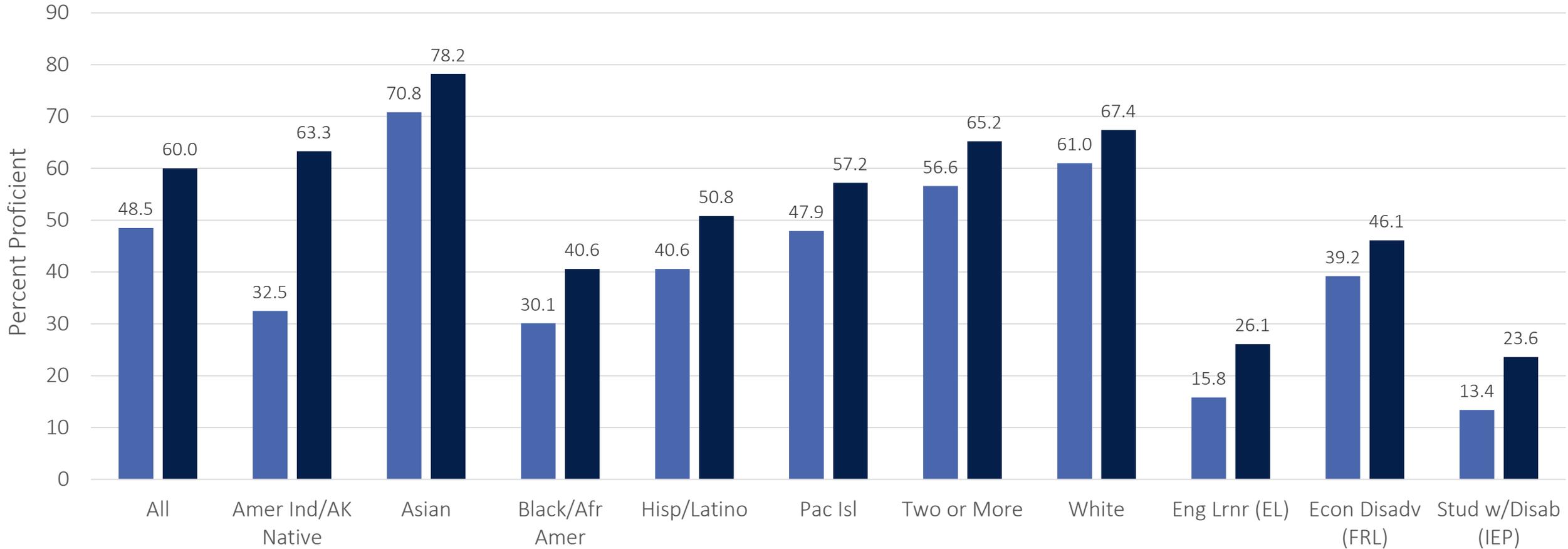
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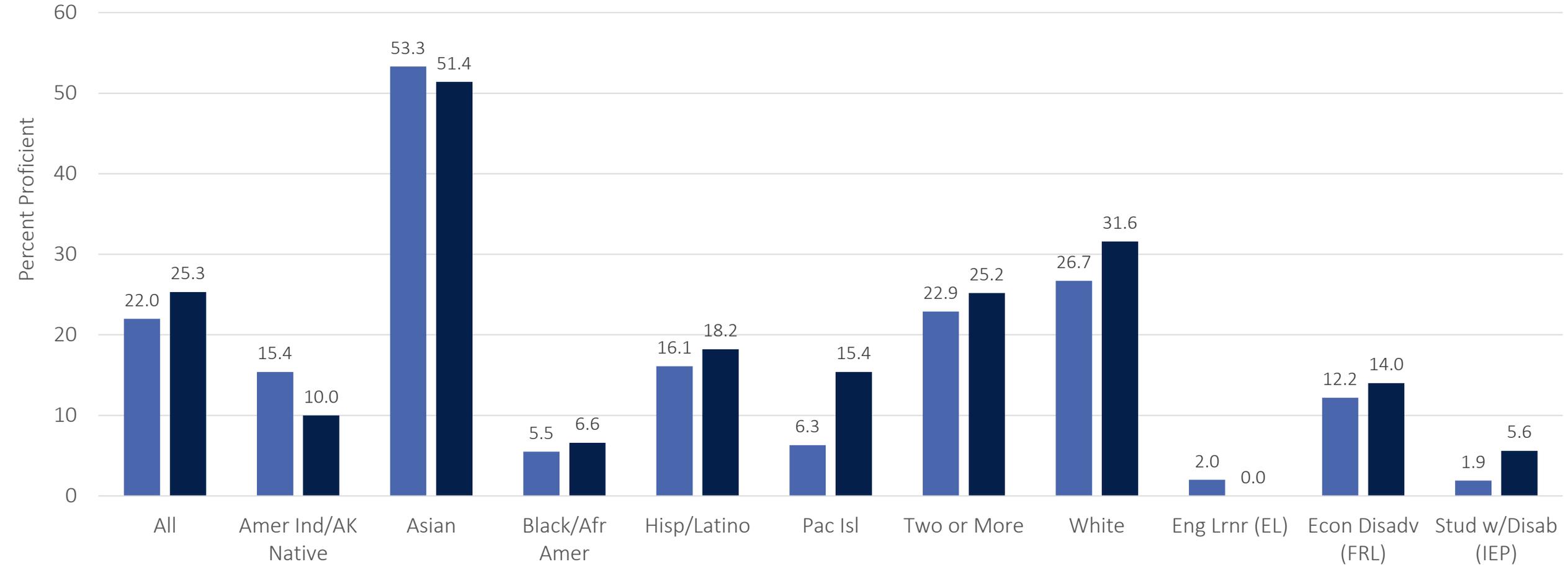
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2-Year Math Proficiency Trend (11th Grade)

SPCSA 2-Year Trend: ACT Math Proficiency

■ 2017-18 ■ 2018-19



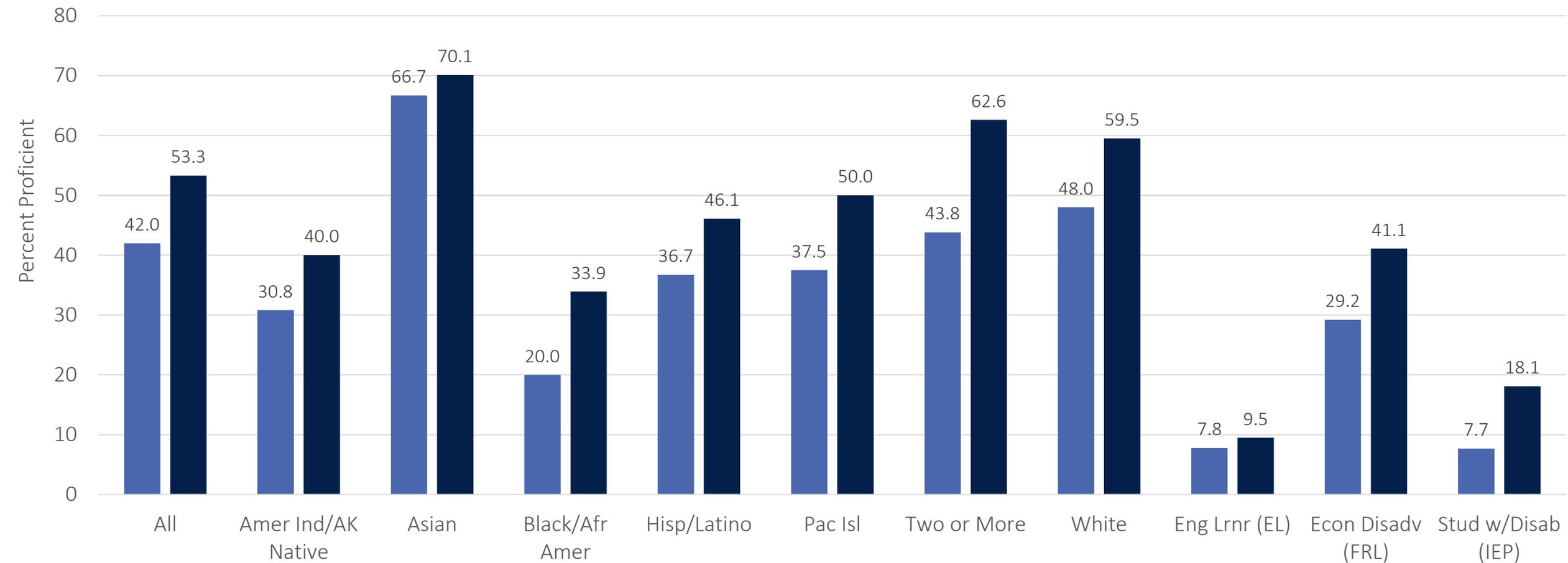
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2-Year English Language Arts Proficiency Trend (11th Grade)

SPCSA 2-Year Trend: ACT ELA Proficiency

■ 2017-18 ■ 2018-19

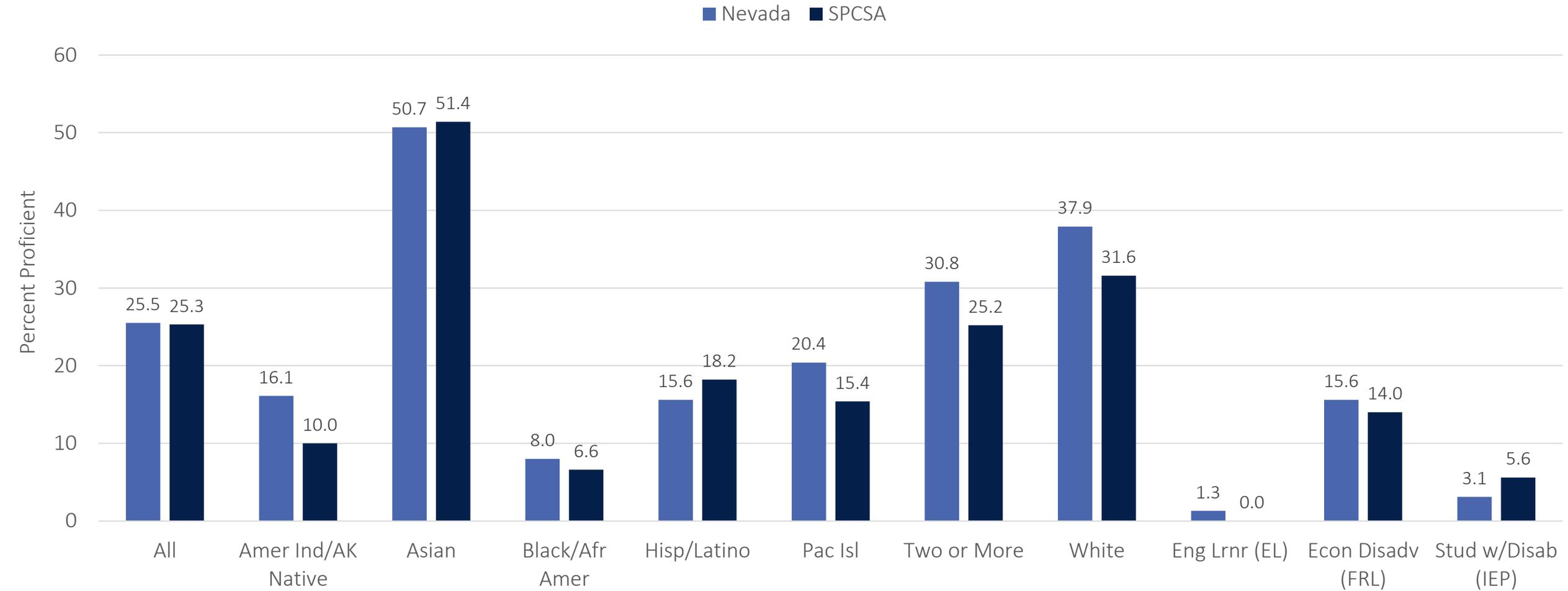


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Math Proficiency Comparison (11th Grade)

Nevada vs. SPCSA: 2018-19 ACT Math Proficiency

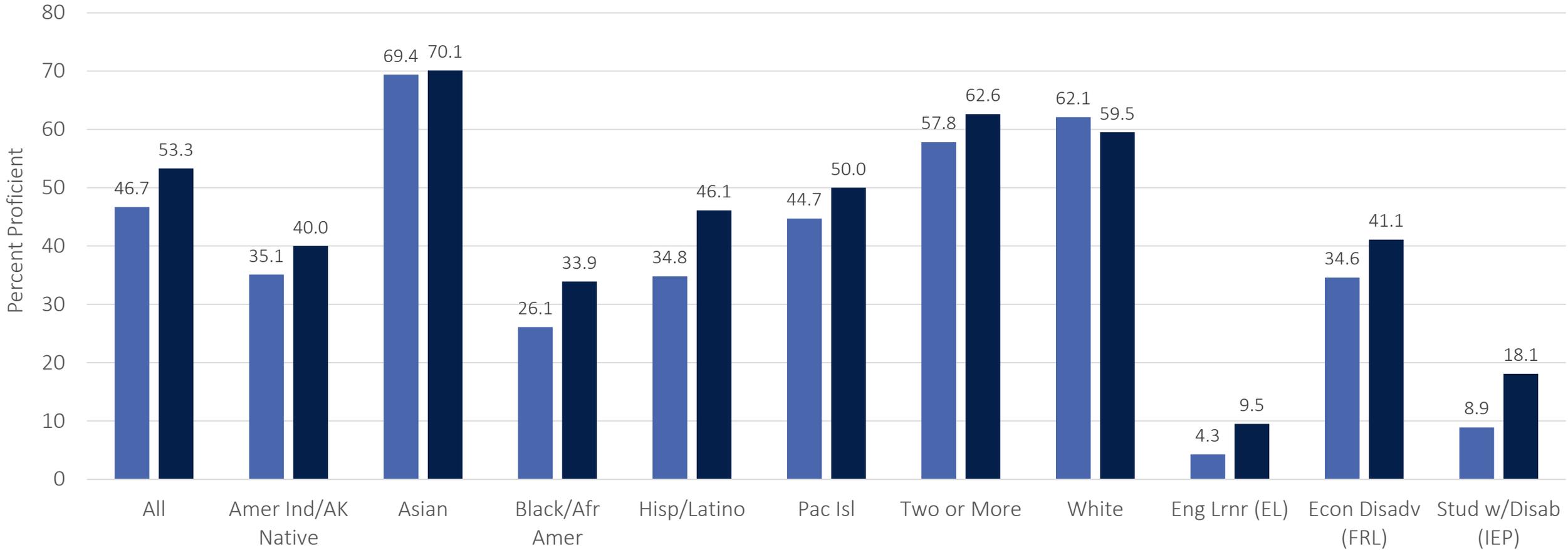


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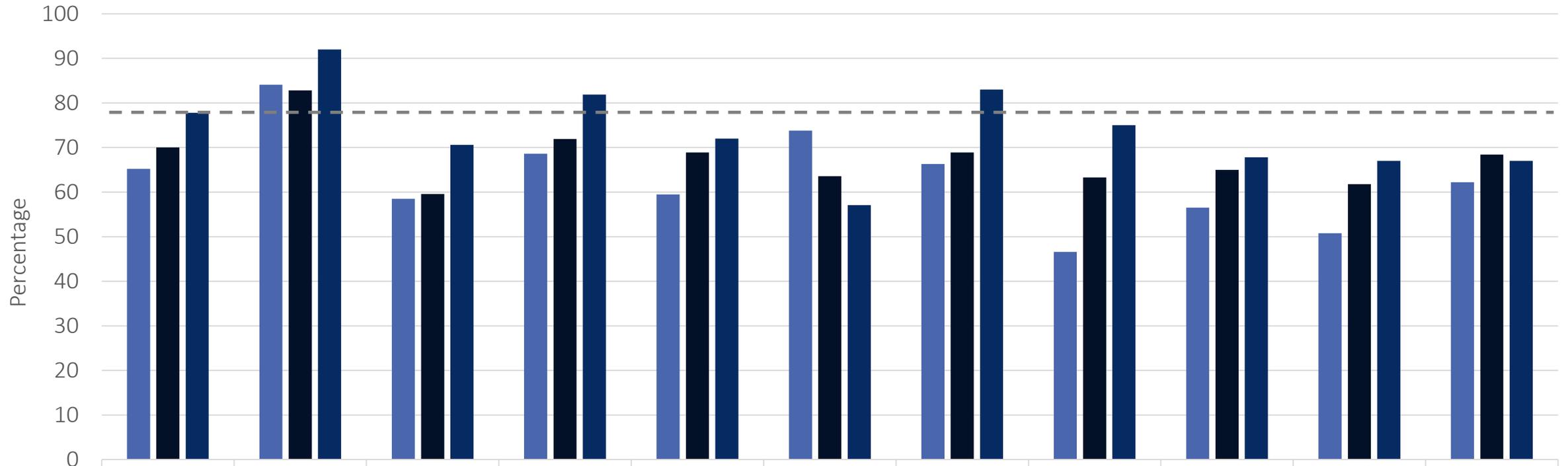


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Graduation Rate Trend

SPCSA 3-Year Trend: 4-Year Graduation Rates

■ Class of 16-17 ■ Class of 17-18 ■ Class of 18-19

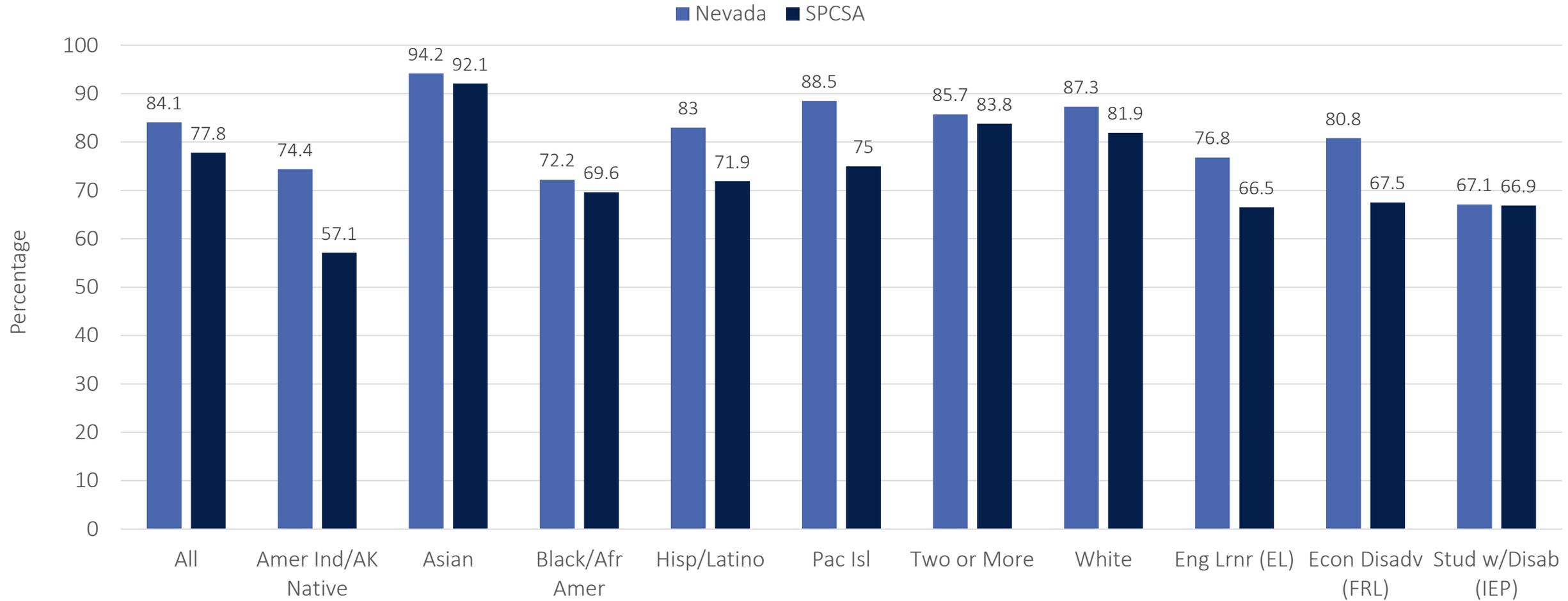


	SPCSA (All Students)	Asian	Bl/Afr Amer	White	Hisp/Latino	Am Ind/AK Nat	Two or More	Pacf Isl	Econ Disadv (FRL)	Stud w/Disab (IEP)	Eng Lrnrr (EL)
■ Class of 16-17	65.2	84.1	58.5	68.6	59.5	73.8	66.3	46.6	56.5	50.8	62.2
■ Class of 17-18	70.0	82.8	59.6	71.9	68.9	63.6	68.9	63.3	65.0	61.8	68.4
■ Class of 18-19	77.8	92.0	70.6	81.9	72.0	57.1	83.0	75.0	67.8	67.0	67.0

The dashed line represents the SPCSA all students group rate for 2018-19, for ease of comparison. ASD schools are not included in SPCSA data as they were local LEA or ASD in the year(s) shown.

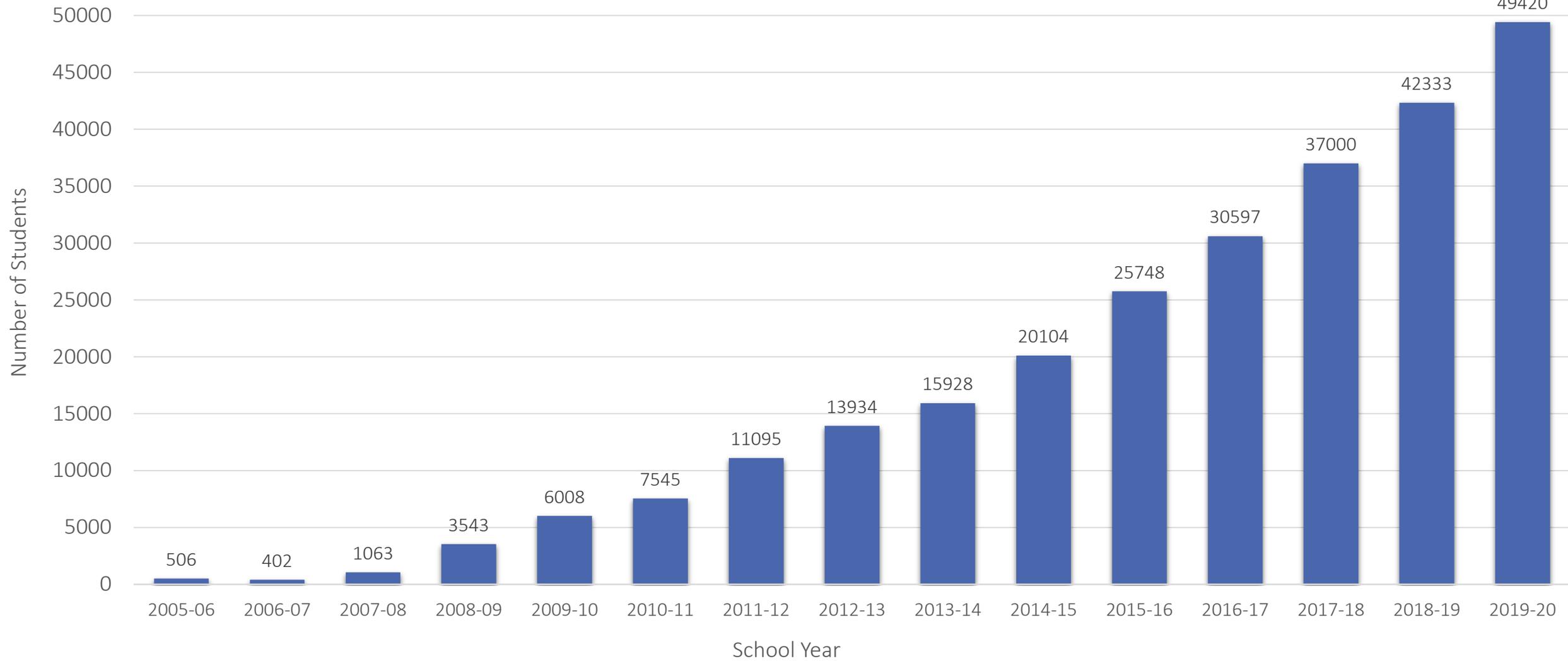
Graduation Rate Comparison

Nevada vs. SPCSA: Class of 2018-19 4-Year Graduation Rates



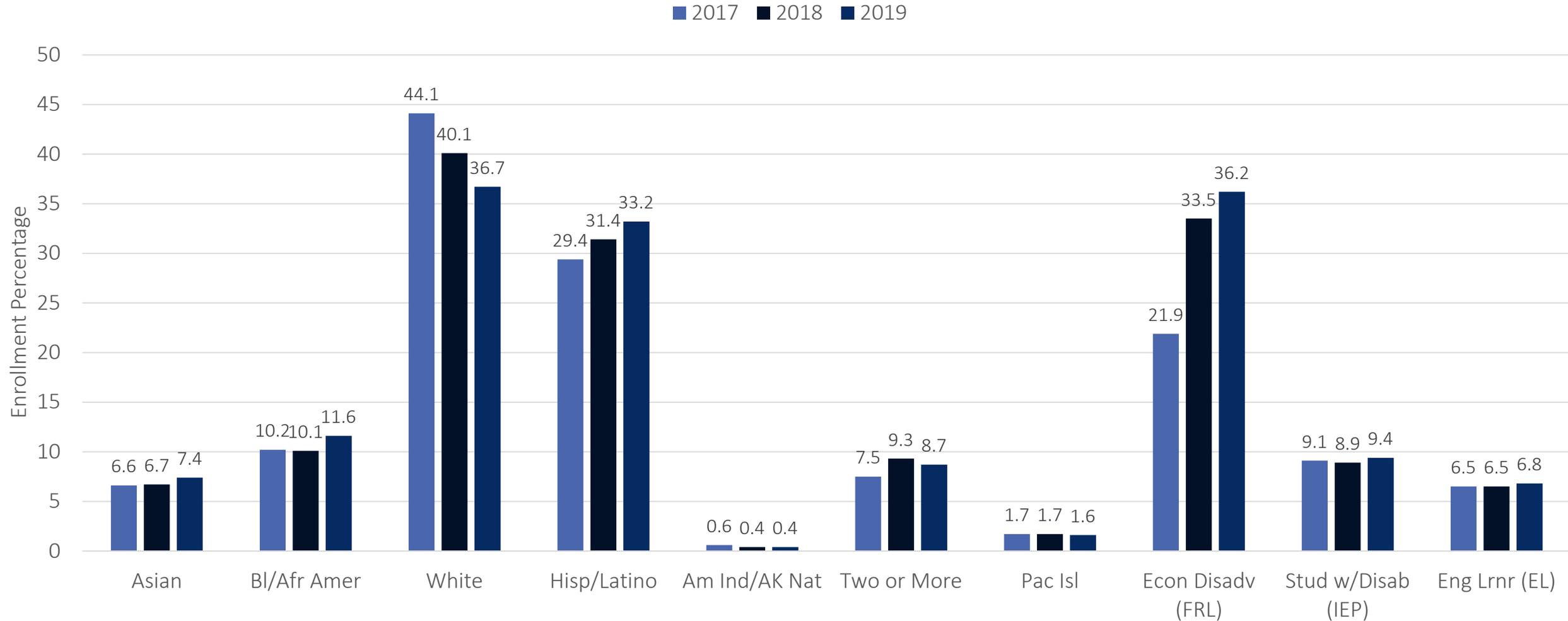
Enrollment Trend

Historic SPCSA Enrollment



Enrollment Trend by Student Group

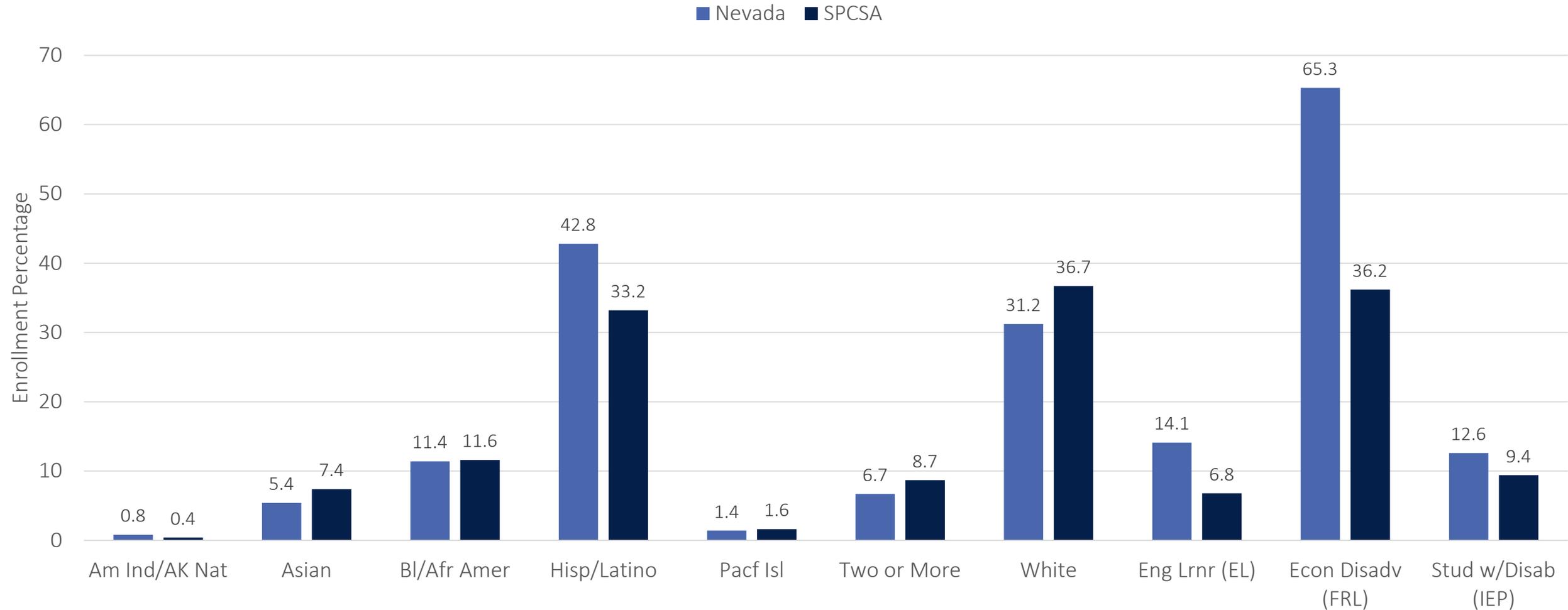
SPCSA 3-Year Trend: Student Group Enrollment



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Enrollment Comparison by Student Group

Nevada vs. SPCSA: SY 2019-20 Student Group Enrollment



Nevada data is from all districts, including SPCSA.
ASD schools that were ASD in 2018-19 are now included in SPCSA data.