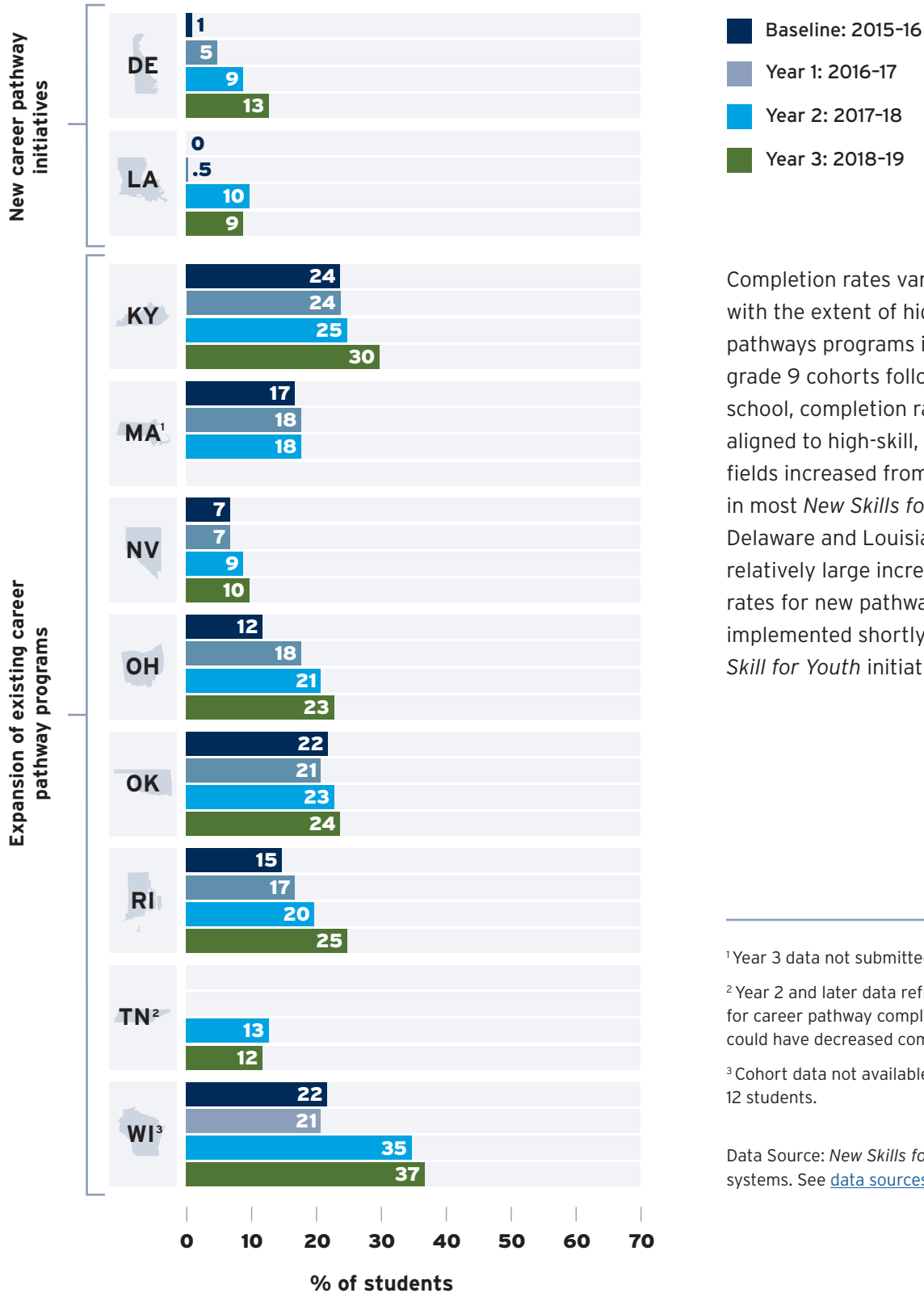


NEW SKILLS FOR YOUTH

Completion of High-Skill, High-Demand (HSHD) Career Pathways by State



Completion rates varied in accordance with the extent of high-skill, high-demand pathways programs in each state. Among grade 9 cohorts followed through high school, completion rates for pathways aligned to high-skill, high-demand career fields increased from 2015-16 to 2018-19 in most *New Skills for Youth* states. Delaware and Louisiana experienced relatively large increases in completion rates for new pathways initiatives implemented shortly before the *New Skill for Youth* initiative began.

¹Year 3 data not submitted.

²Year 2 and later data reflect stricter requirements for career pathway completion than prior years that could have decreased completion rates.

³Cohort data not available; data are for grade 11 and 12 students.

Data Source: *New Skills for Youth* state education data systems. See [data sources](#) for more information.