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.

1 Year 3 data not submitted.

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

3 Cohort 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.