Multiple Measures Assessment for English

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Placement Methods Before F16

- The majority of students were placed into English and math using only one measure, the Accuplacer test (a standardized test).

- For students whose Accuplacer scores were on the border or who appealed their placement, other measures would be considered.

- So in the past, we have only used multiple measures to place a small number of students.

- Ed code requires the use of multiple measures in college placement.

Placement Method Starting F16

- Almost all students were placed using both Accuplacer scores and high school GPA.
- The placement was based on whichever measure was stronger.
- GPA is 2.5 or higher
- From an American high school, during the last ten years
- Self-report
- Spot checks

Results

- Instructors are not seeing a change in 1A students
  - Karin will add survey findings
  - Success rates did not fall
  - Student who placed by GPA only had comparable success rates to other students
- Small drop in Basic Skills success rates, as expected

Next Steps

- Continuing to measure success
  - Future 1As
  - English 4 and 7
- Working to get our district high schools to upload data to CalPASS so we don't have to rely on self-report, even though studies have self report to be reliable.
  - Transparency

Impact of the New Multiple Measure Criterion (High School GPA of at least 2.50) on English 1A Success Rates
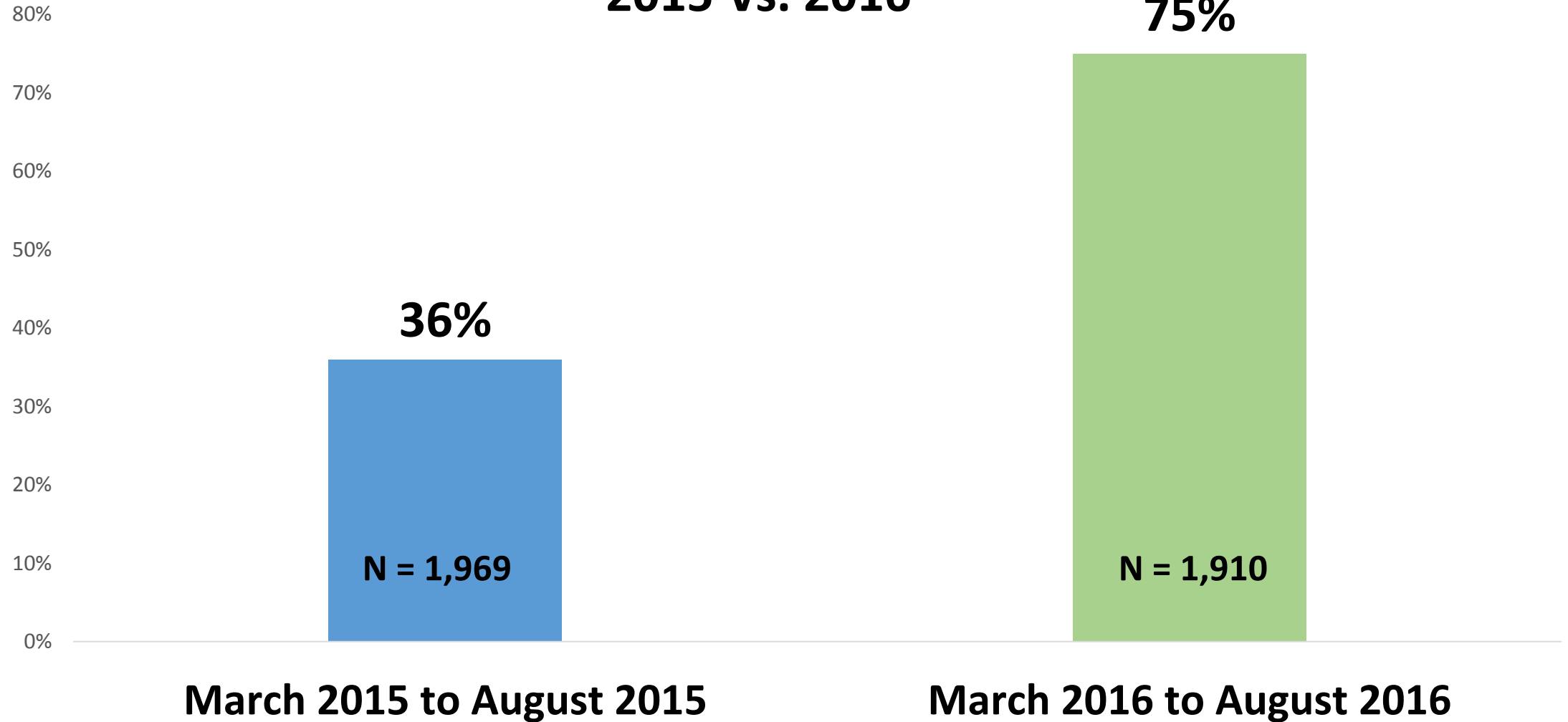
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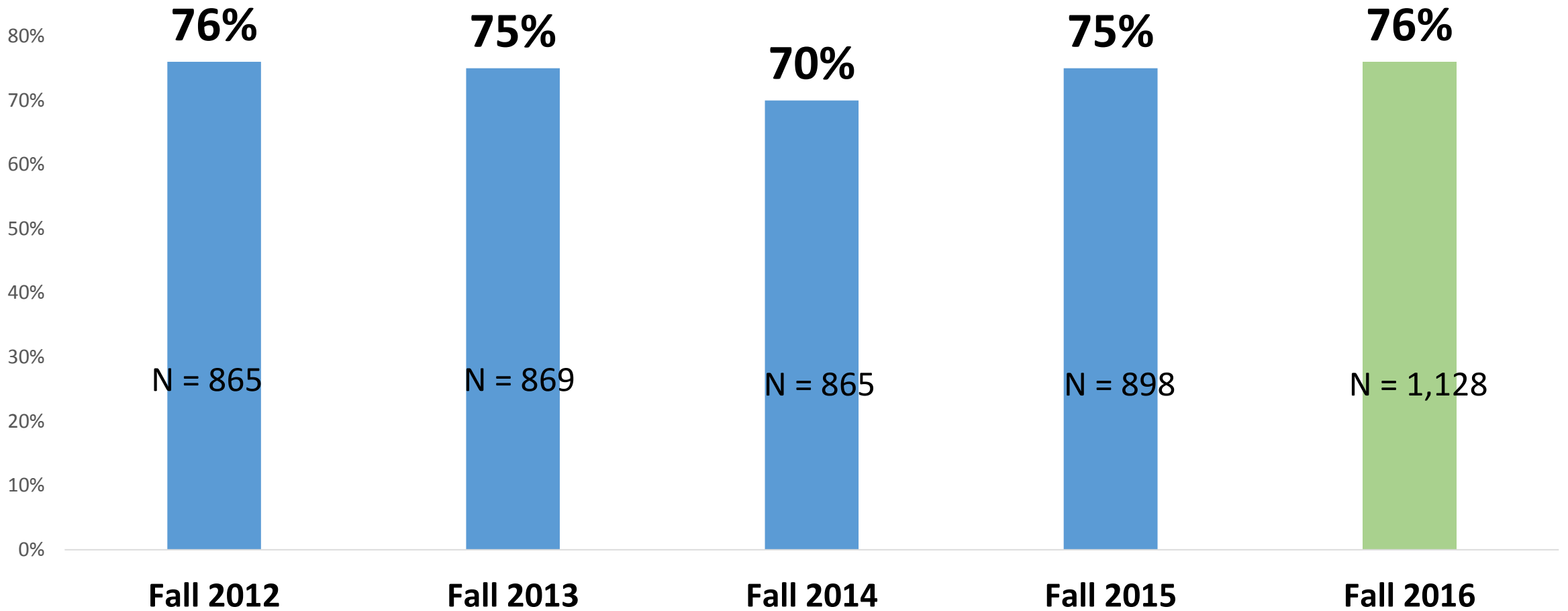
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**Las Positas College
Assessed into English 1A (College-Level English)
2015 Vs. 2016**

36%	**75%**
N = 1,969	N = 1,910
March 2015 to August 2015	**March 2016 to August 2016**

**Las Positas College
Overall English 1A Success Rates
Fall 2012 Through Fall 2016**

	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016
Success Rate	76%	75%	70%	75%	76%
N	N = 865	N = 869	N = 865	N = 898	N = 1,128

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English 1A Success Rates of Those Who Took the English Assessment Test
Fall 2012 to Fall 2016

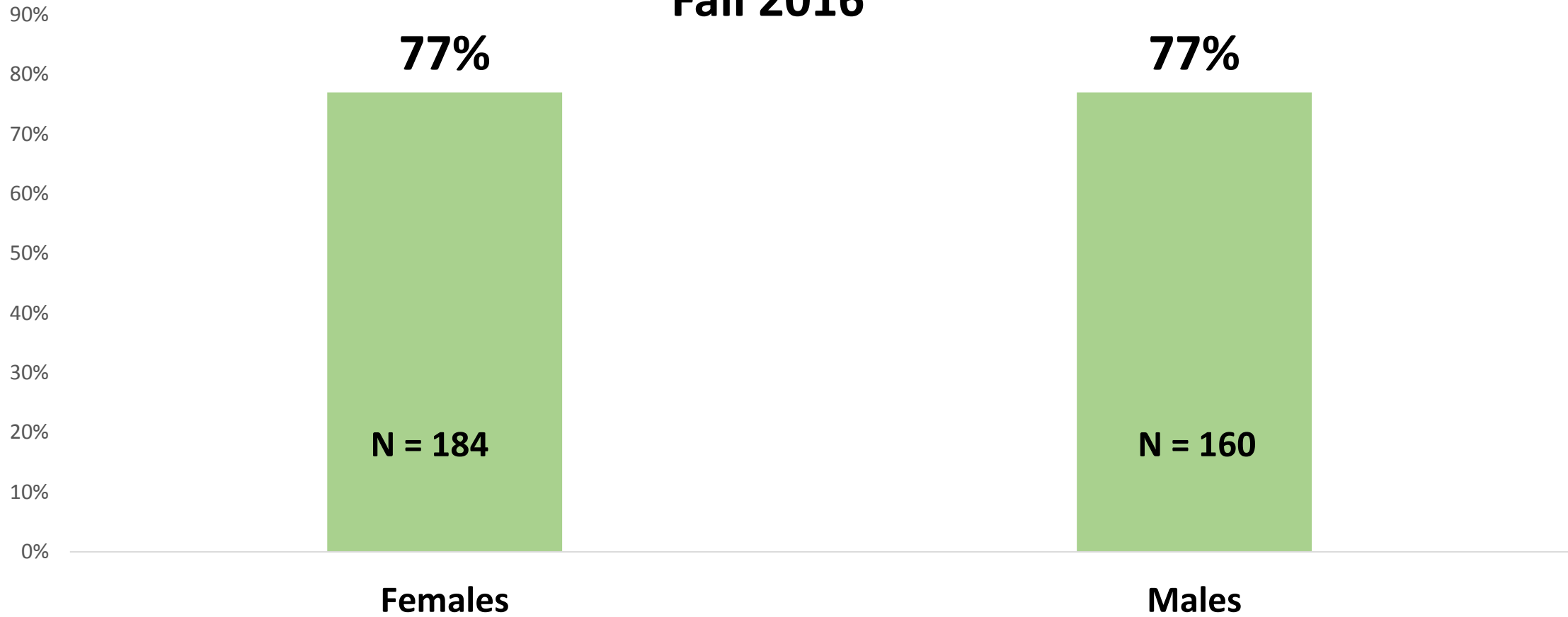|	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016
Success Rate	80%	84%	76%	80%	79%
N	N = 247	N = 245	N = 273	N = 304	N = 593
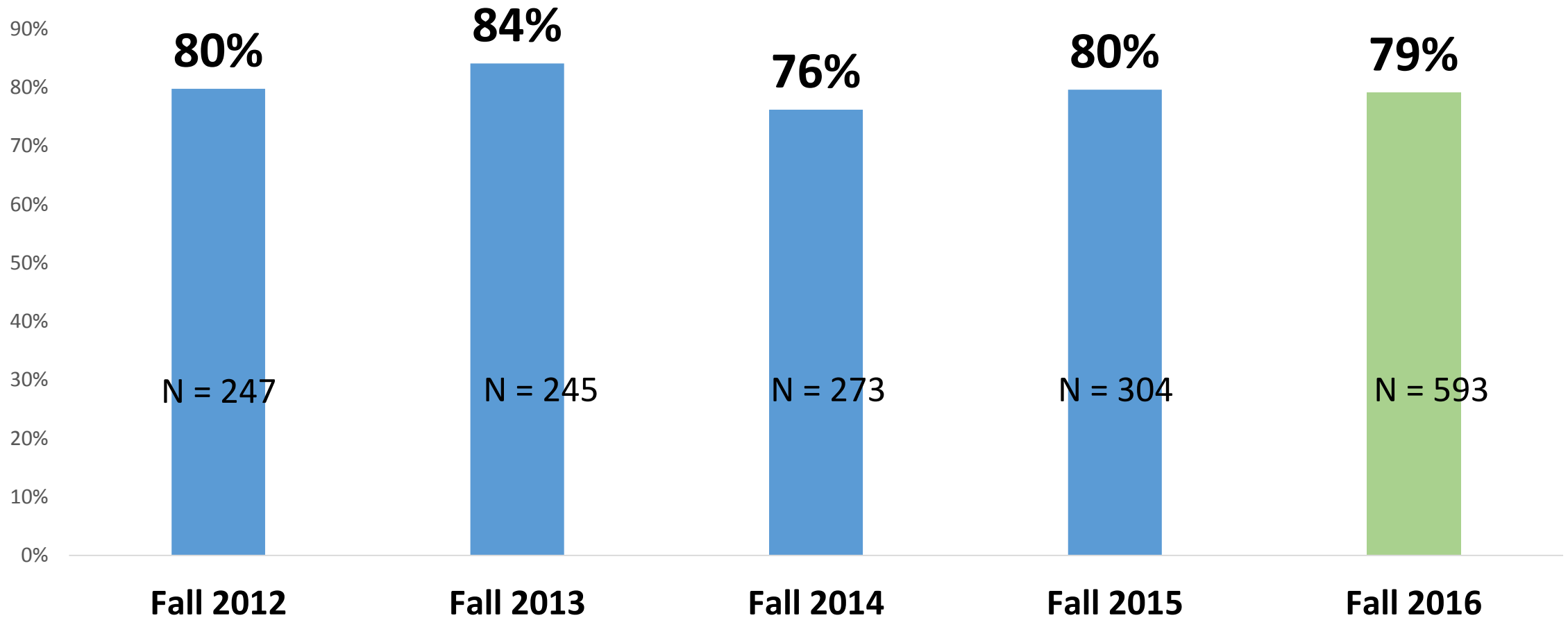
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English 1A Success Rates By Assessment Test Entry Method
Fall 2016
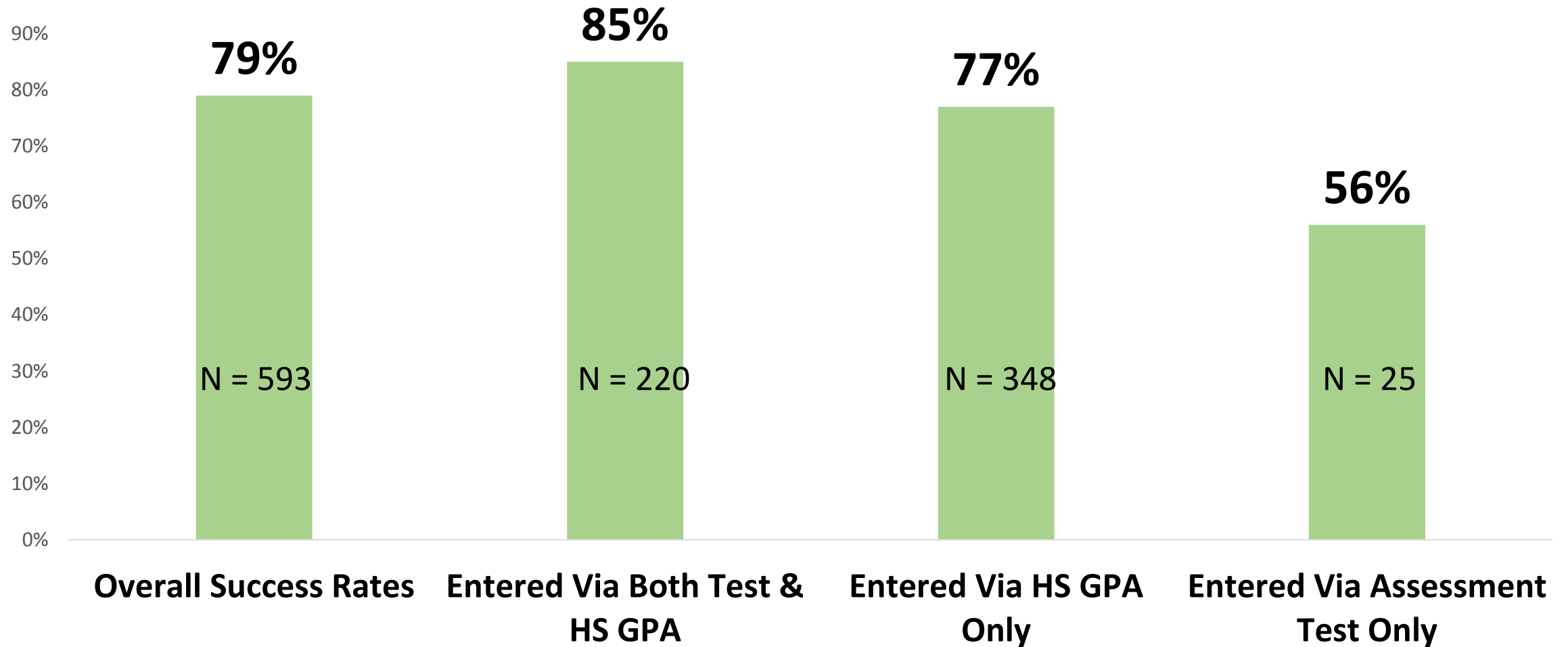
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English 1A Success Rates By Gender
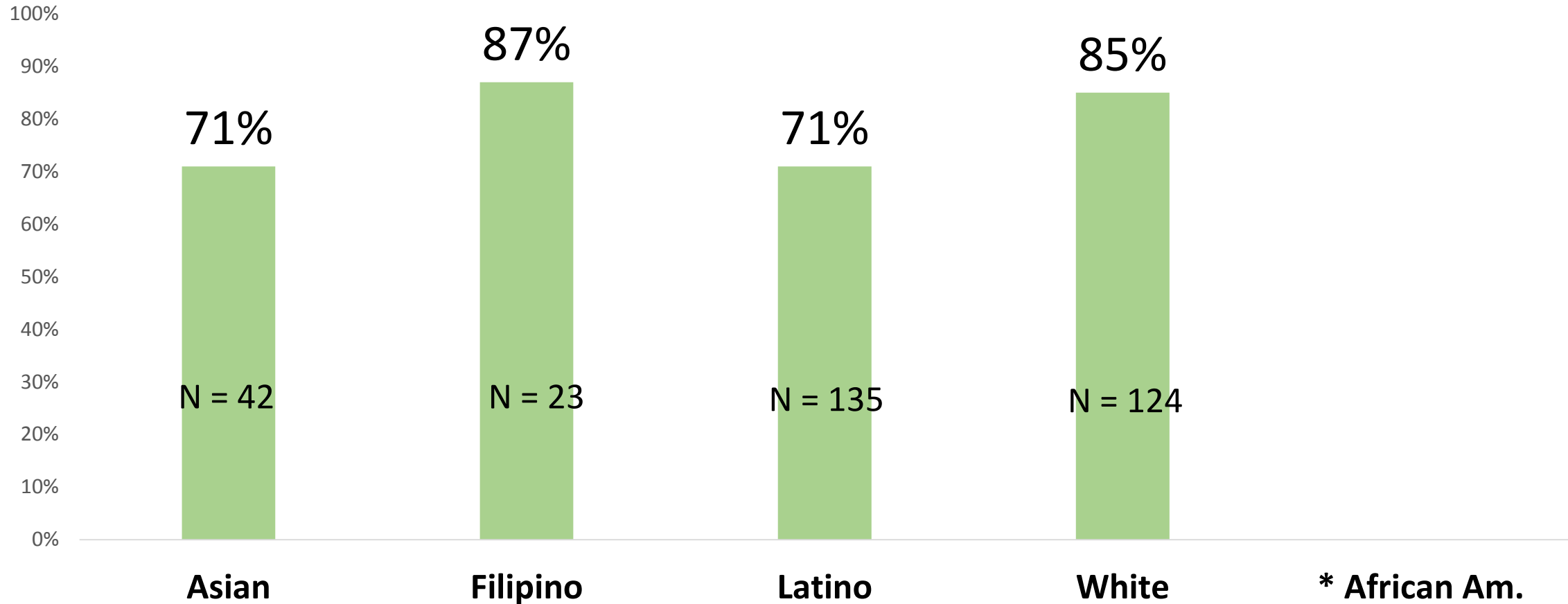Entered Via High School GPA Only
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English 1A Success Rates by Race-Ethnicity
Entered Via High School GPA Only
Fall 2016

	Asian	Filipino	Latino	White	* African Am.
Success Rate	71%	87%	71%	85%	
N	N = 42	N = 23	N = 135	N = 124	

Note: * Data are not displayed for race-ethnicity groups that have less than 20 students.

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English 1A Success Rates By GPA Range
Entered Via High School GPA Only
Fall 2016