

# Data Walk: Sedgwick County GRADUATION



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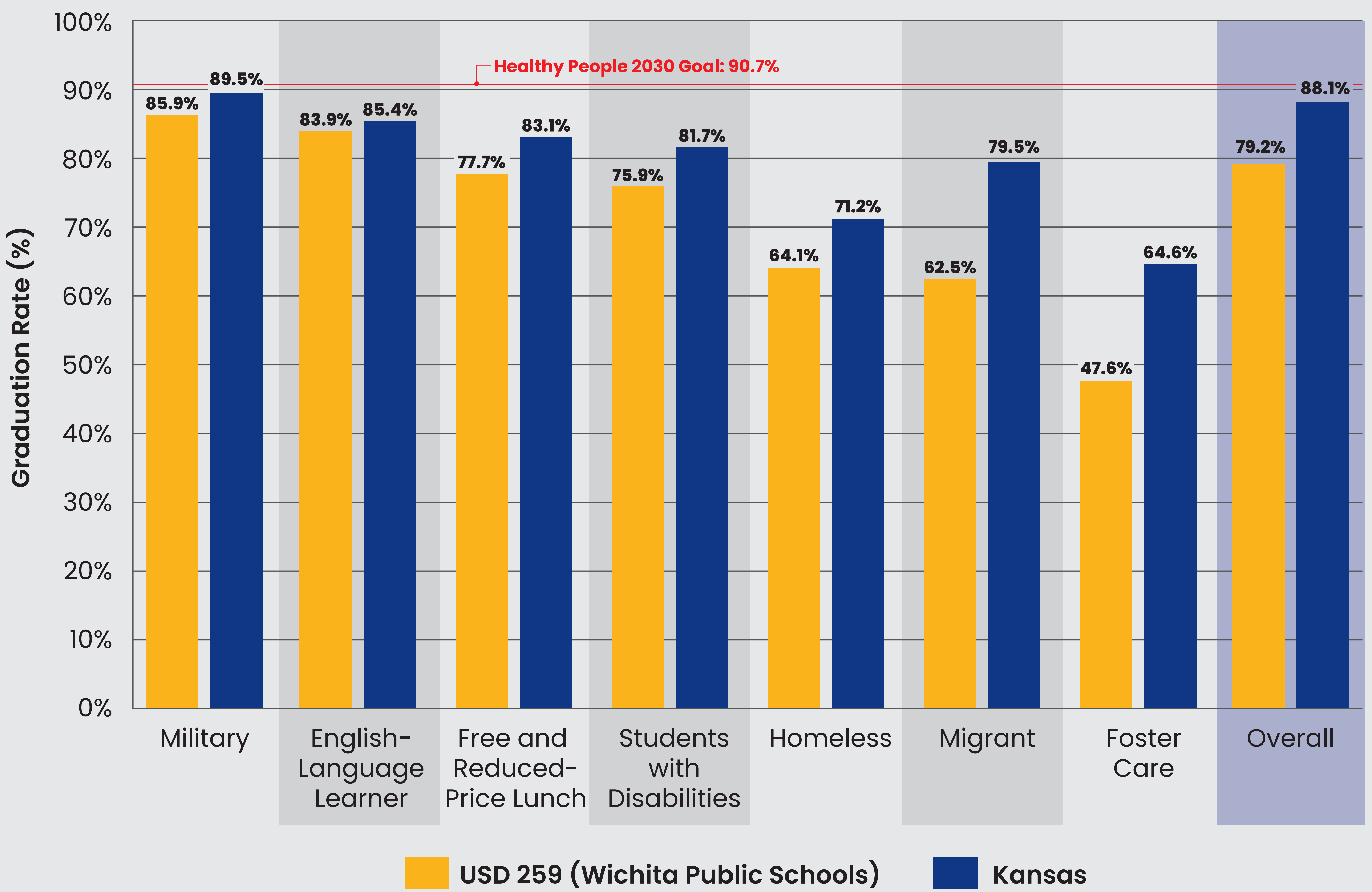
## What This Measures:

Rate of USD 259 (Wichita Public Schools) and Kansas students graduating in 2022-2023 school year.

# Nearly half of students in foster care

in USD 259 (47.6 percent) graduated in 2023, compared to 64.6 percent statewide.

Graduation Rates in USD 259 (Wichita Public Schools) and Kansas, 2022-2023 School Year



Note: Data are from a four-year cohort study. The cohort study follows students from 9th – 12th grade to calculate graduation rate. Students who transferred in or out, immigrated or died have been accounted for in each four-year cohort. Overall includes all students in district or state.  
 Source: Kansas Health Institute analysis of Kansas State Department of Education, 2022, Graduation Rate Four Year Adjusted Cohort Formula.



**Why this is important:** There's a **strong connection between education and health** — for example, higher levels of education are linked to **increased economic stability** and a **lower risk of death** later in life. Students in foster care **may struggle more academically** and are at **greater risk of dropping out of high school**, in part due to instability in placements and chronic absences. The Healthy People 2030 national health target is to increase the proportion of high school students who graduate in four years to 90.7 percent.

(Source: Healthy People 2030, U.S. Department of Education)

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