

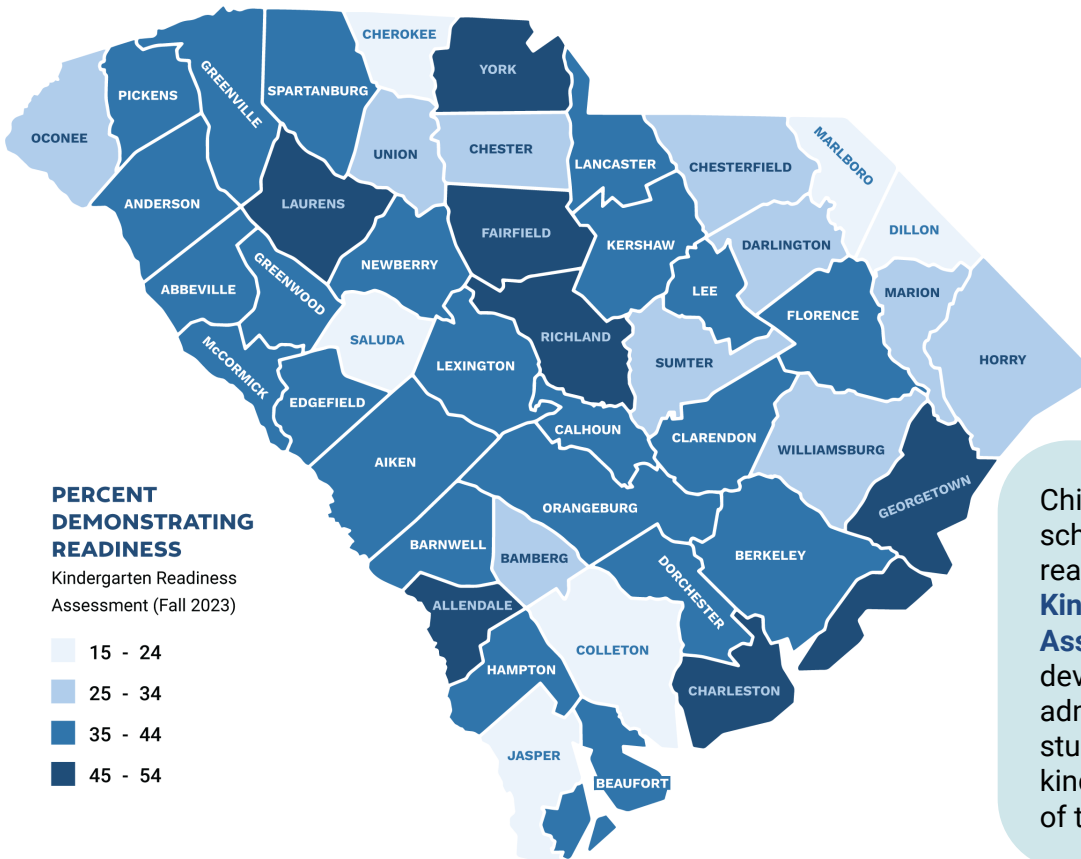
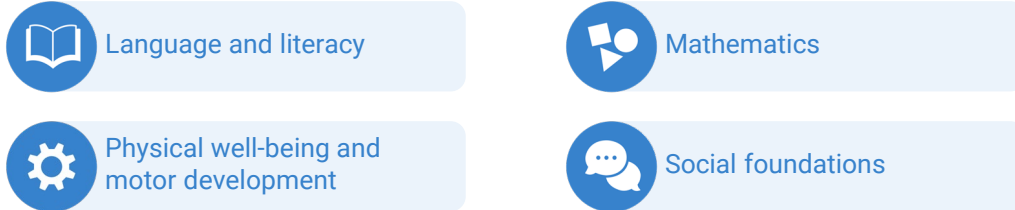
Kindergarten Readiness

Fall 2023 South Carolina Assessment Results



At the beginning of the 2023-24 school year, the KRA was administered to **53,354** incoming kindergartners across South Carolina, according to the South Carolina Education Oversight Committee.

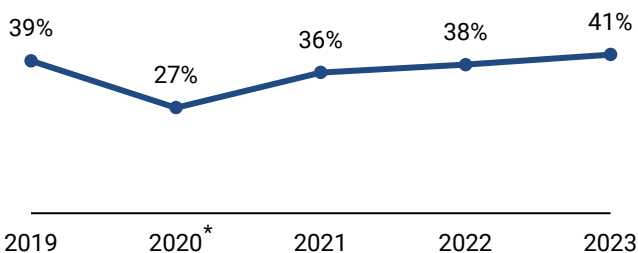
The KRA determines each child's readiness across four domains:



In Fall 2023, **41%** of incoming kindergartners were ready for school

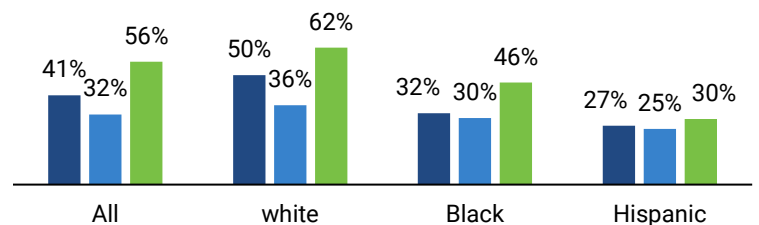
Children are considered "ready for school" if they score "demonstrating readiness" on the **South Carolina Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA)**. This developmentally appropriate test is administered in English to all students entering publicly funded kindergarten within the first 45 days of the school year.

Kindergarten readiness is better than it was pre-pandemic



*Modified KRA due to COVID-19 pandemic

There are disparities in kindergarten readiness by **race and ethnicity** – for **all students** and for those **in poverty** compared to **not in poverty**



Data obtained directly from the South Carolina Department of Education