EMPLOYMENT IN NEW MEXICO IS GROWING.

0.9 MILLION

1.0 MILLION

NEW MEXICO HIGH SCHOOLS MUST STEP UP.

TOO MANY STUDENTS DROP OUT:

2 IN 7 STUDENTS

3 IN 8 AMERICAN INDIAN STUDENTS (AM. IND.)

DO NOT GRADUATE WITH THEIR CLASS

TOO FEW GRADUATE COLLEGE-READY:

All students

ENGLISH 50%

MATH 29%

Latino students

ENGLISH 43%

MATH 22%

MOST GRADUATES GO ON TO COLLEGE:

5/8 of graduates enroll in some form of postsecondary education

BUT MANY REQUIRE REMEDIAL COURSES:

43% who enroll in 2- or 4-year colleges need remediation

AND TOO FEW FRESHMEN COMPLETE DEGREES:

Students in 2-year colleges

18%

Students in 4-year colleges

42%

THIS LEAVES NEW MEXICO’S ADULT WORKFORCE FAR SHORT OF WHAT’S NEEDED TO BE COMPETITIVE.

IN 2014-15

62% of job postings required an associate’s degree or higher

But only

35% of adults have an associate’s degree or higher

35% OVERALL

50% OF WHITES

23% OF LATINOS

29% OF AM. IND.

And remember:

Degrees alone don’t guarantee that workers have the other skills—the teamwork, the analysis, the problem-solving—that are so necessary in today’s and tomorrow’s economy.

For detailed source information on New Mexico’s data, visit: xqsuperschool.org/future