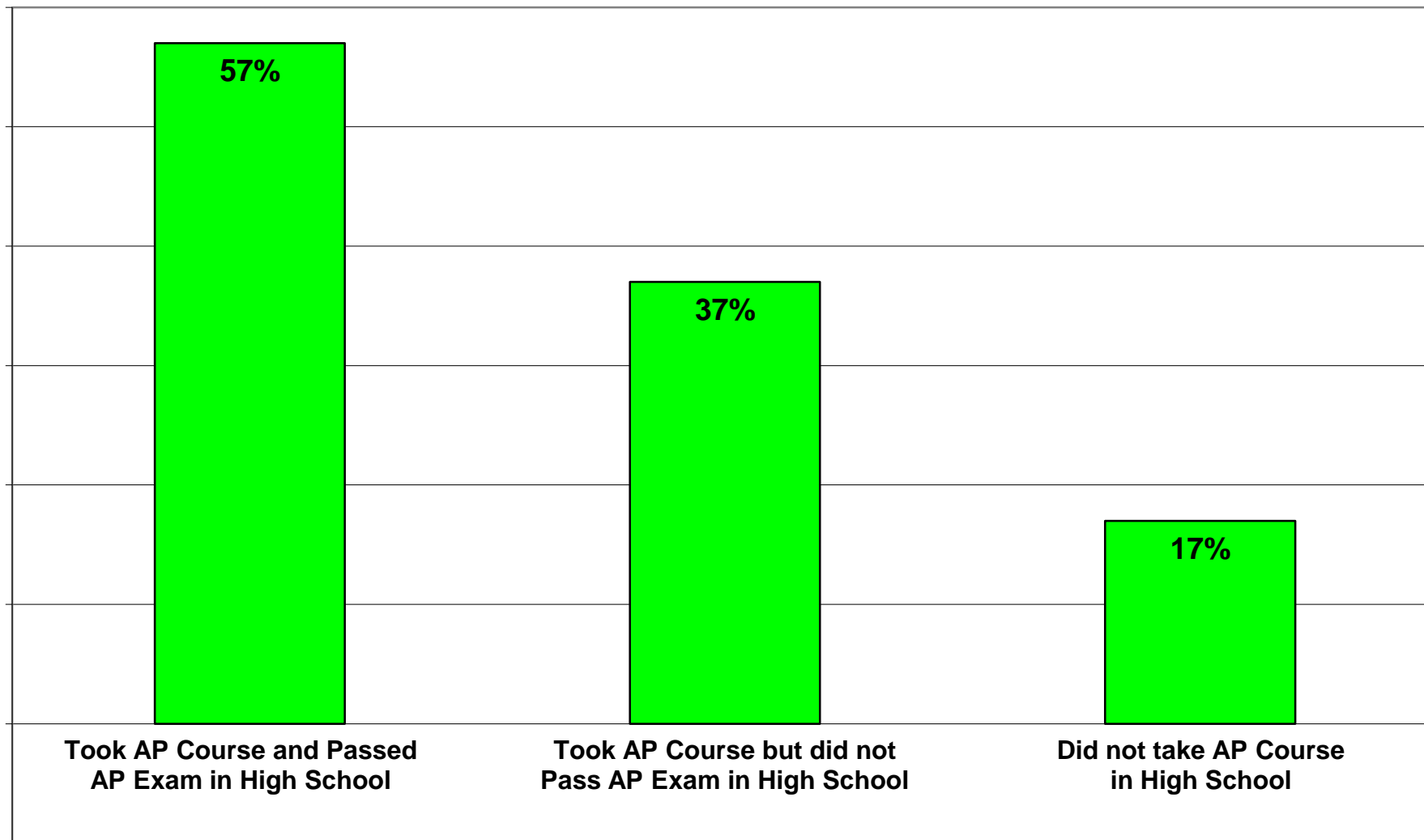
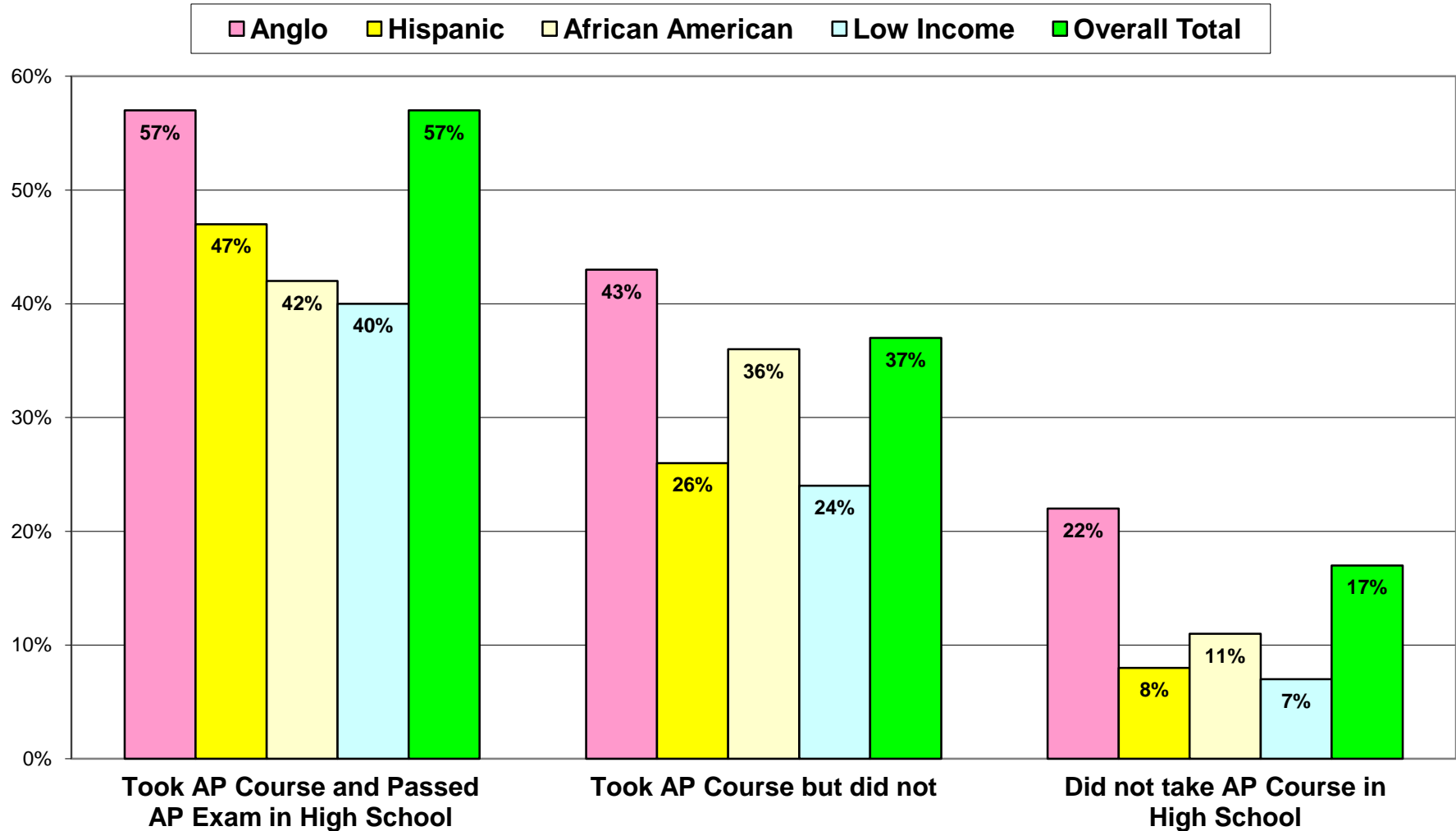


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**% of Texas High School graduates
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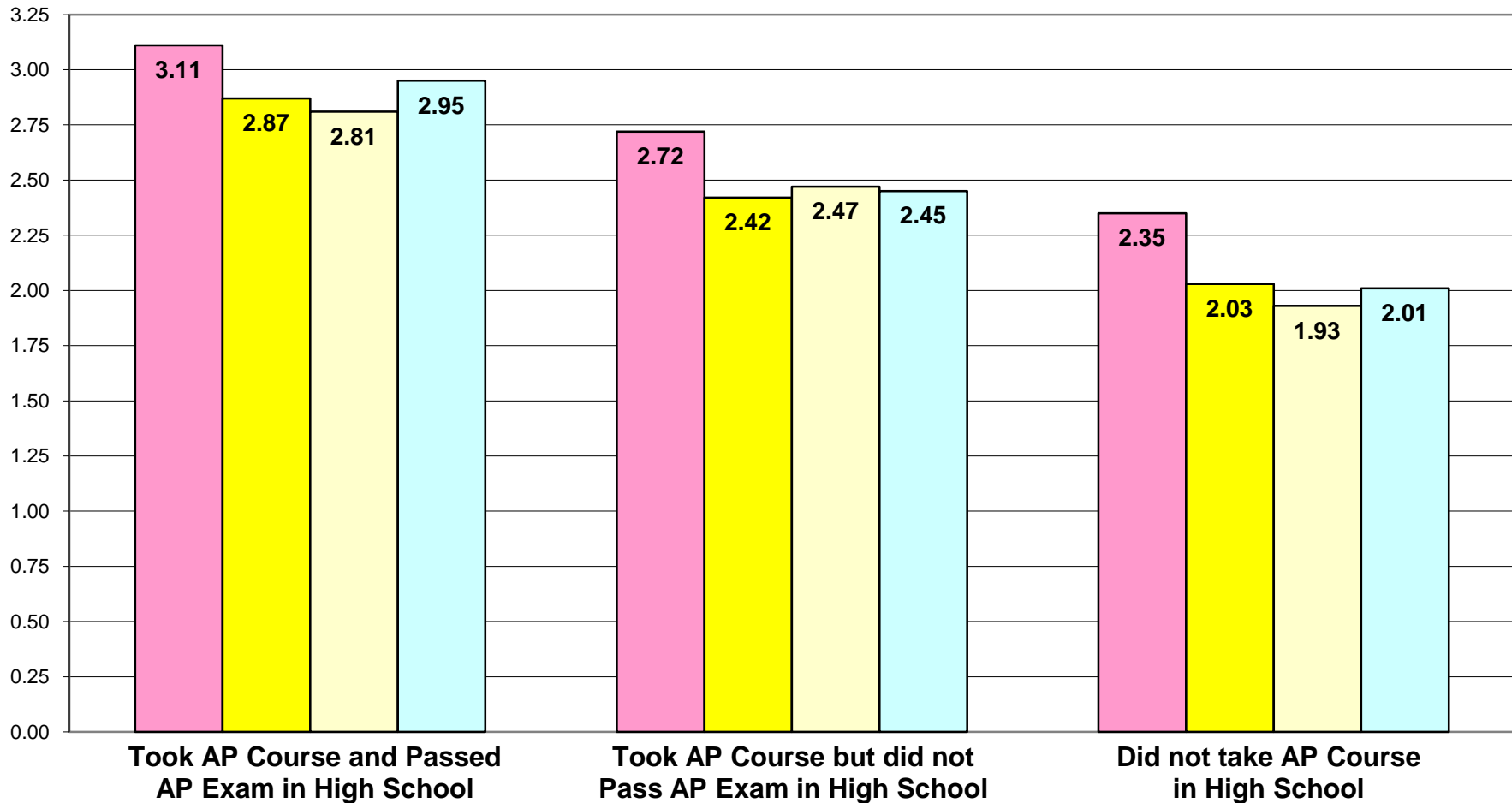
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Likelihood of Graduating College

	Number	Took AP α	Took AP α	Did not take AP course in High School	2.592593
Anglo	47,647	57%	43%	22%	
Hispanic	19,868	47%	26%	8%	
African Am	7,813	42%	36%	11%	
Low Incom	22,028	40%	24%	7%	
Total	78,079	57%	37%	17%	

Readiness for College

	Number	Took AP α	Took AP α	Did Not Take AP Exam
Anglo	47,647	95%	79%	50%
Hispanic	19,868	89%	56%	25%
African Am	7,813	87%	50%	17%
Low Incom	22,028	84%	54%	20%
Total	78,079			

Average 1st Year GPA

	Number	Took AP α	Took AP α	Did Not Take AP Exam
Anglo	37,004	3.11	2.72	2.35
Hispanic	18,019	2.87	2.42	2.03
African Am	7,312	2.81	2.47	1.93
Low Incom	15,167	2.95	2.45	2.01
Total	67,863			

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