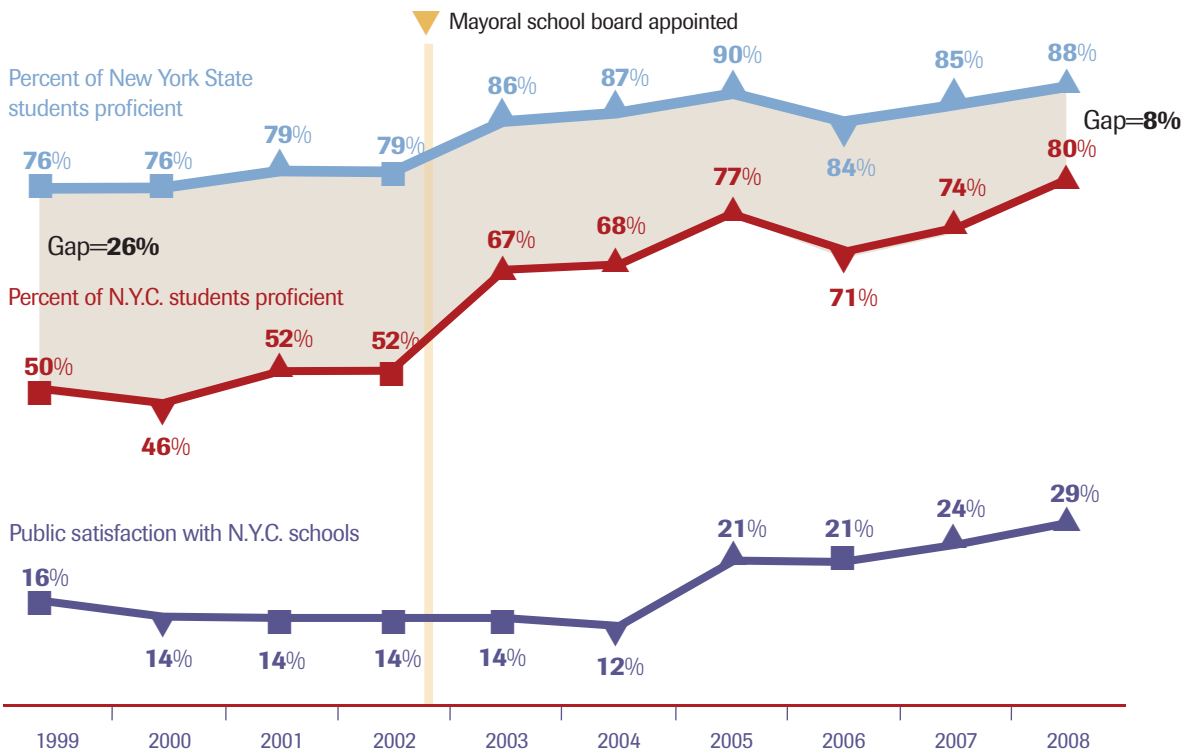


Mayors and Public Confidence

Public satisfaction with the New York City public schools has doubled since the introduction of mayoral control. Student performance on state assessments has also risen during that period.



Note: Proficiency is defined here as scoring at level 3 or 4 on New York's 4th grade mathematics assessment.

SOURCE: Kenneth K. Wong and Francis X. Shen

Achievement data: New York State Education Department

Public-opinion data: Various years of the Quinnipiac University Poll, in which registered voters were asked, "Are you generally satisfied with the quality of the public schools in New York City, or are you not satisfied?"