



A Discussion of Diploma Requirements

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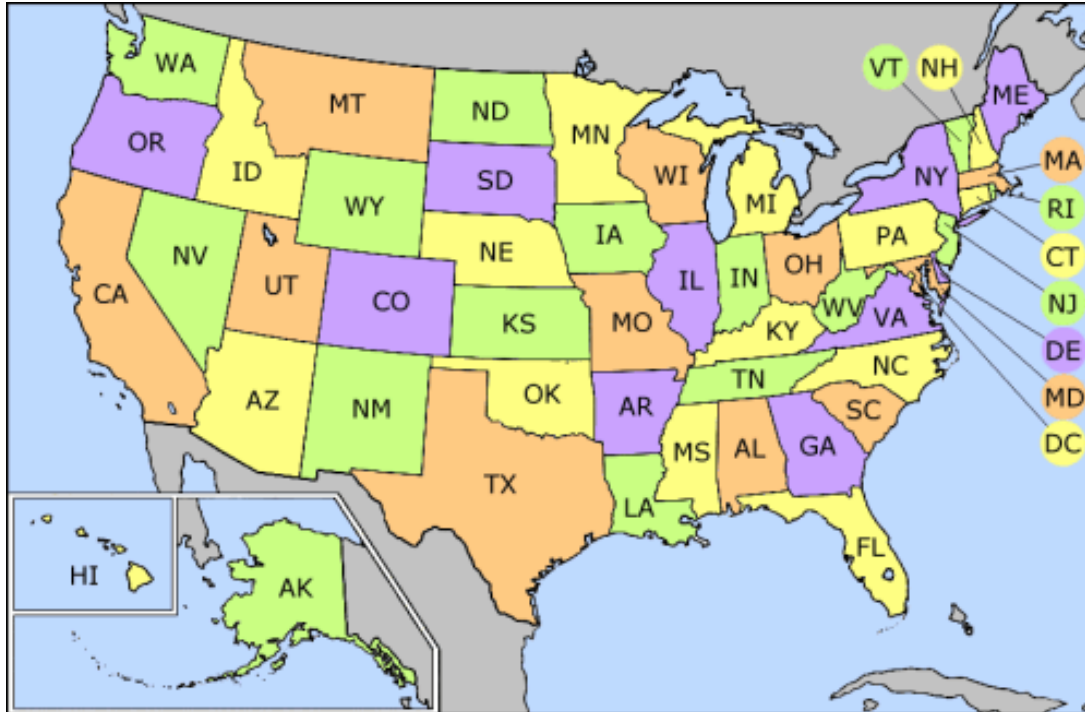


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New York State Minimum Diploma Requirements - Regents and Local Diploma

Credits		Assessments
ELA	4	1 ELA
Math	3	1 Math
Science	3	1 Science
Social Studies	4	1 Social Studies
Health	½	
Art	1	1 Pathway
PE	2	
LOTE	1	
Electives	3 ½	Passing Score: Varies based upon credential and student subgroup
Total	22	Range 45-65

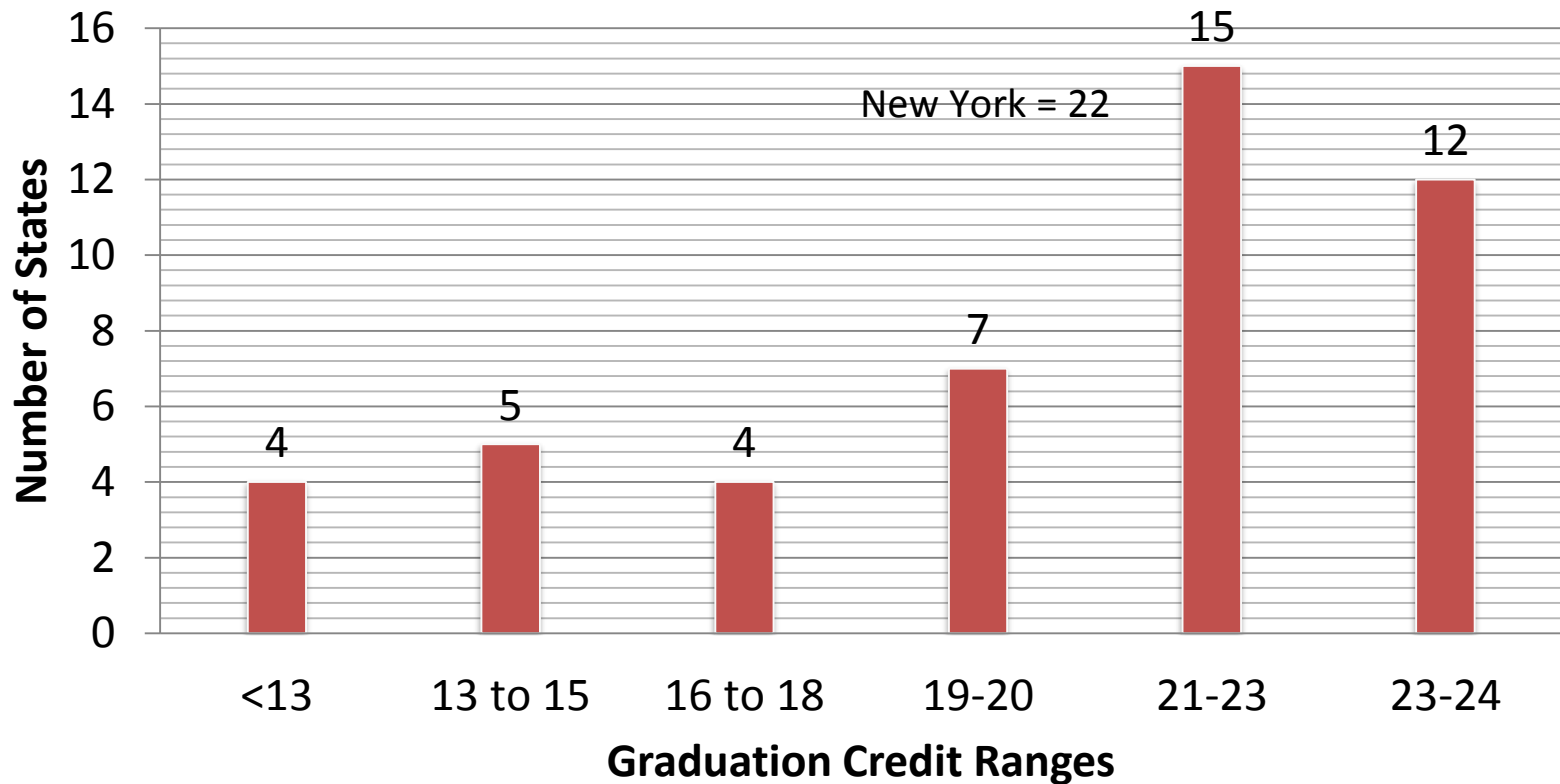
How Does NY Compare to Other States?



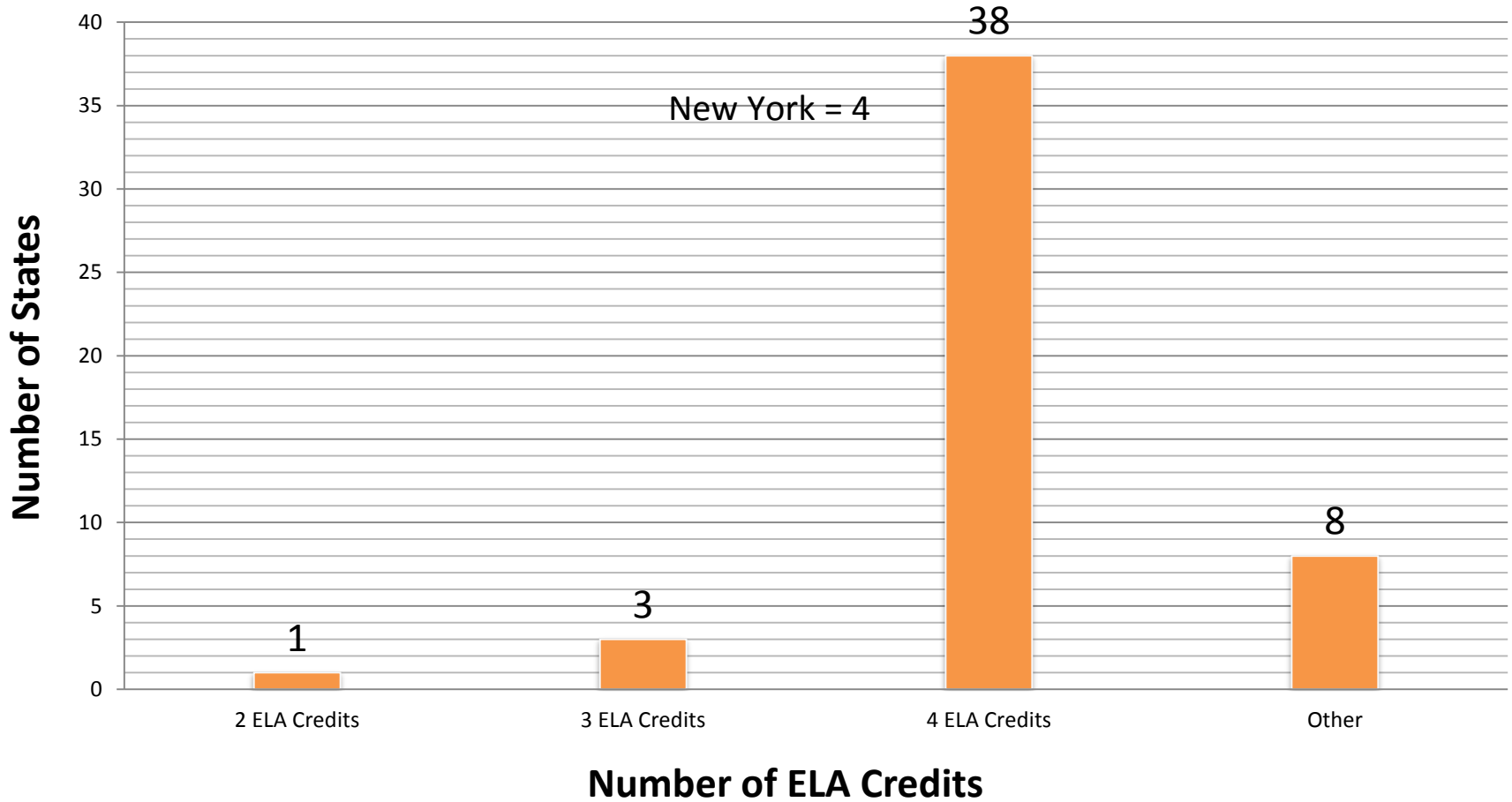
The graphs on the following slides were developed using data published on November 7, 2016 by Achieve in a study entitled State by State Graduation Requirements (Class of 2015).

<https://www.achieve.org/publications/state-state-graduation-requirements-class-2015>

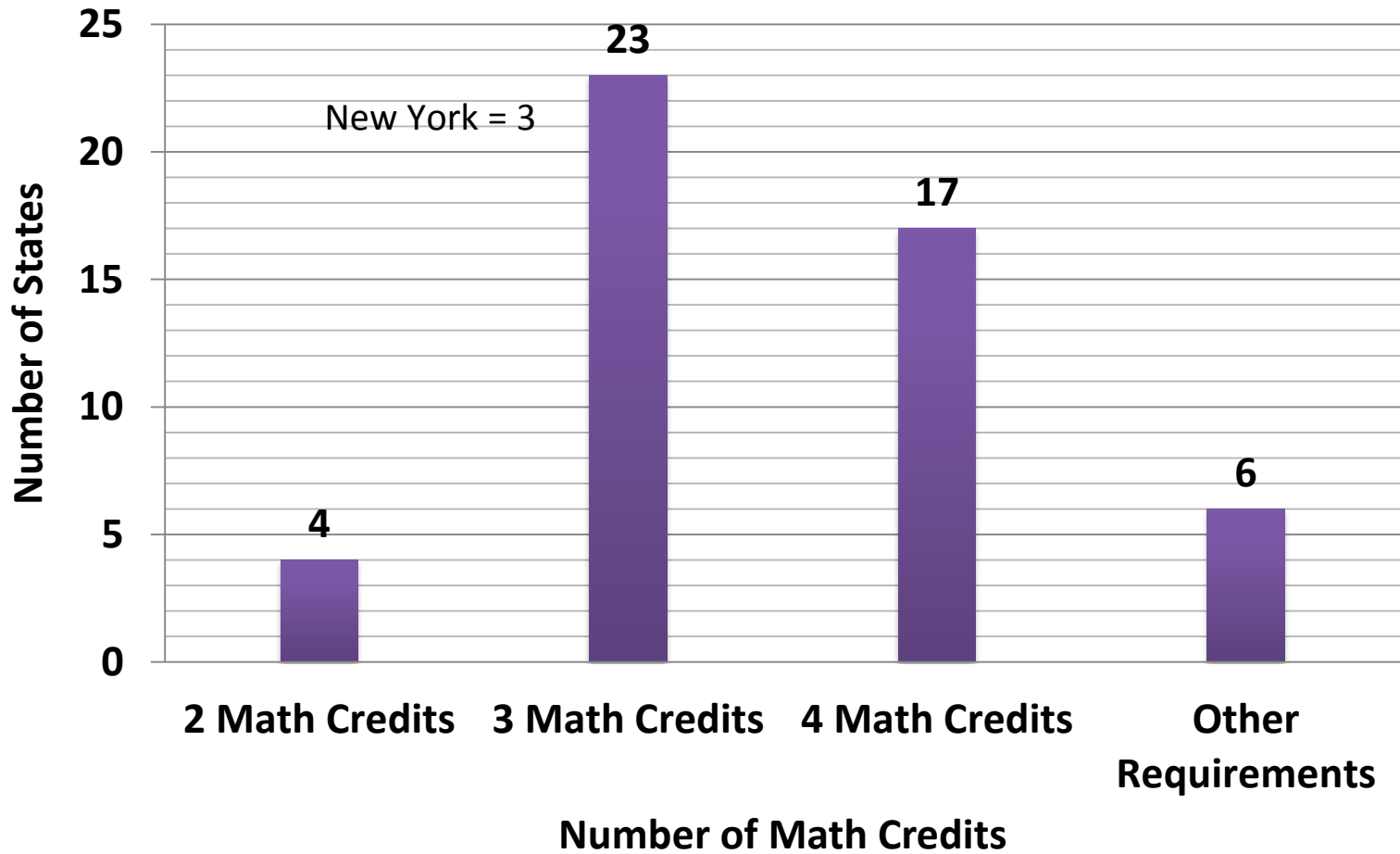
Total Credits Required for the Minimum High School Diploma



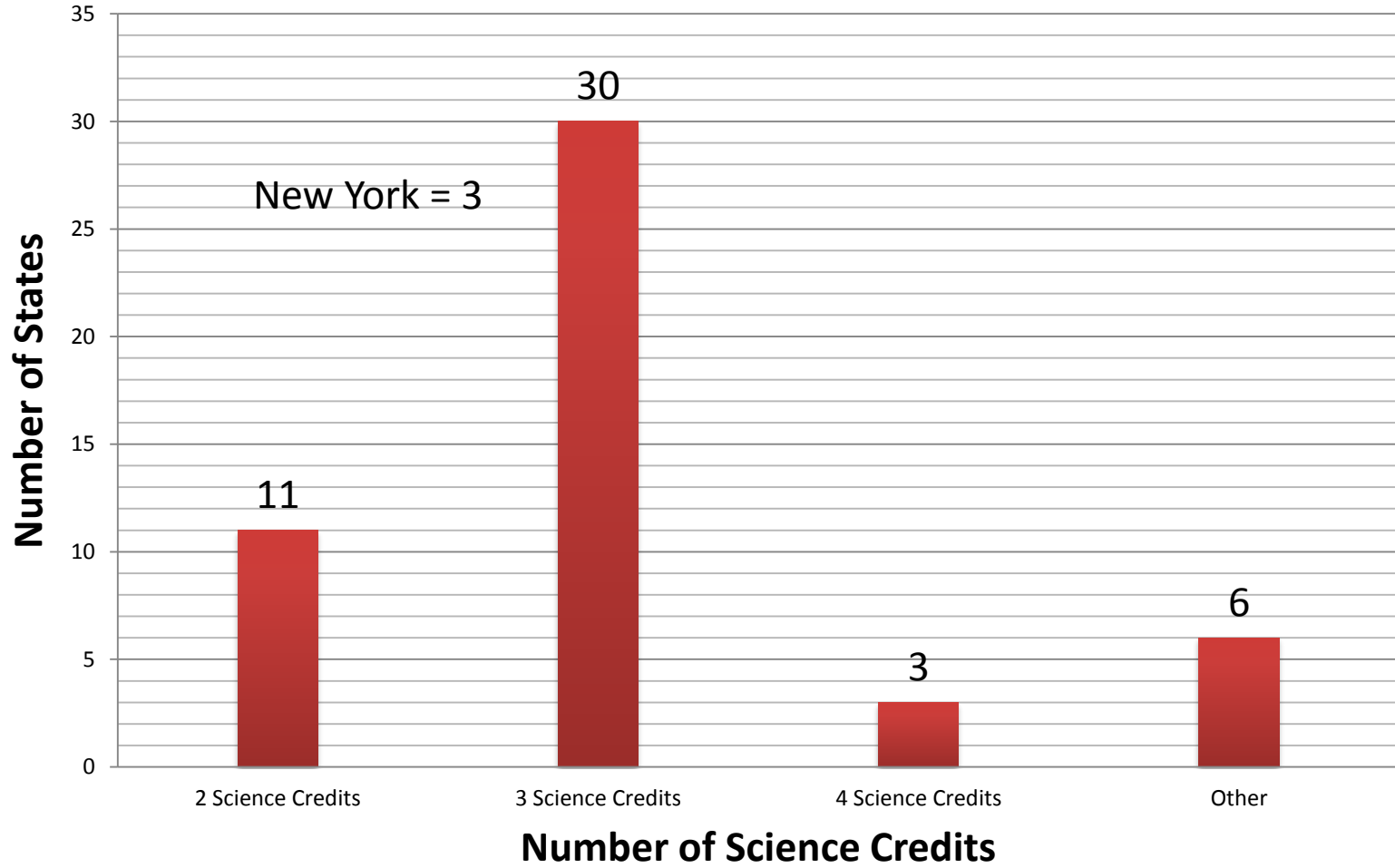
Minimum Number of ELA Credits for High School Diploma



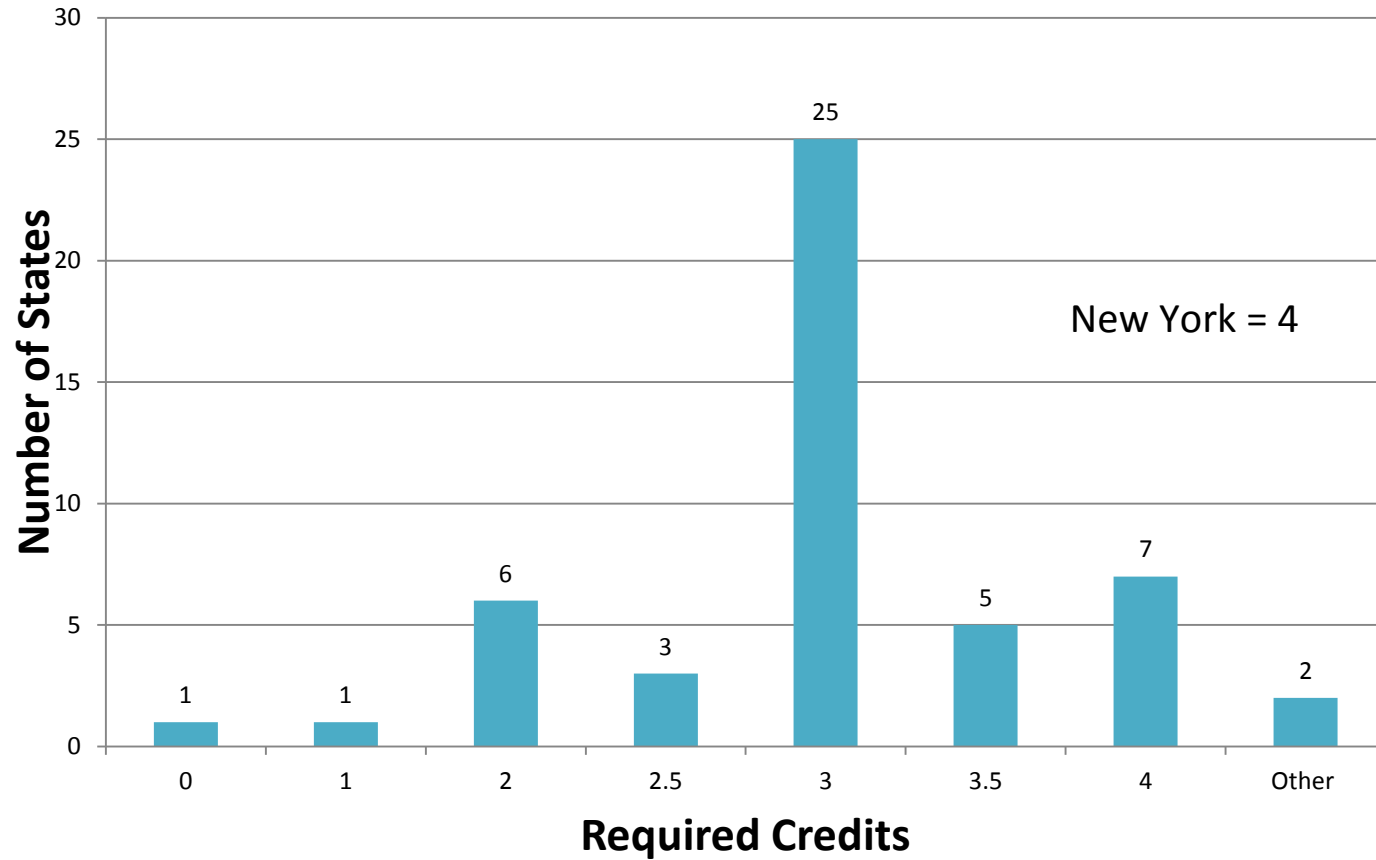
Minimum Number of Math Credits for High School Diploma



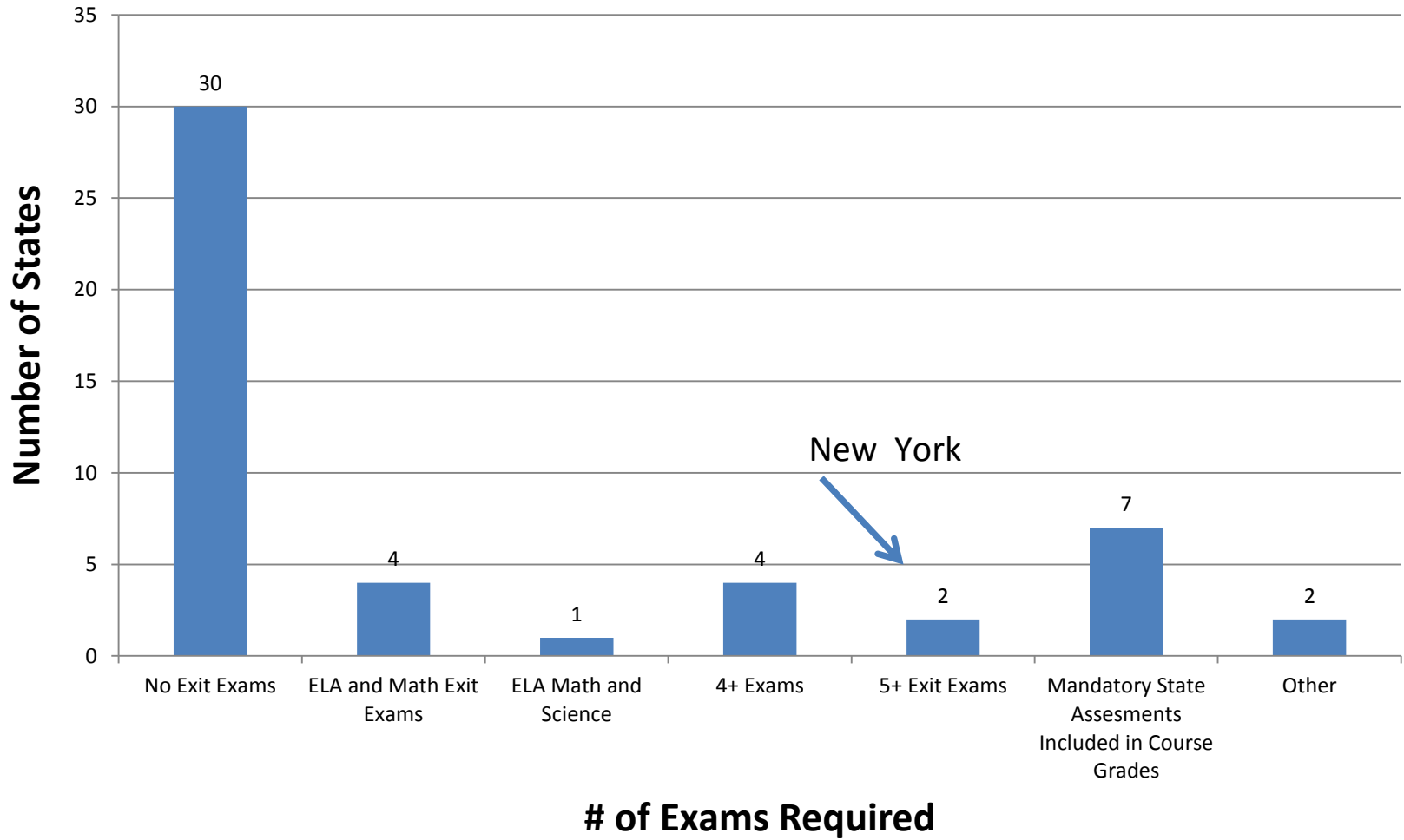
Minimum Number of Science Credits for High School Diploma



Minimum Number of Social Studies Credits for a High School Diploma



States with High Stakes Exit Exam Requirements



Potential Goals

- Prepare students for 21st century post secondary options
 - Baccalaureate Programs in STEM, Humanities, Arts etc.
 - Technical degree programs
 - Career training certificate programs,
 - Adult Education programs leading to certifications
 - Military Service
 - Employment
- Offer more flexibility in completing credit requirements related to pathway choice and student interest
- Expand external certification assessment options
- Allow students to demonstrate proficiency in multiple ways

Key Considerations



- How do we ensure that all students, including students with disabilities and English language learners, are able to access rigorous coursework?
- Should students have the opportunity to demonstrate proficiency in a specific area of graduation through a district designed standards based Capstone project?