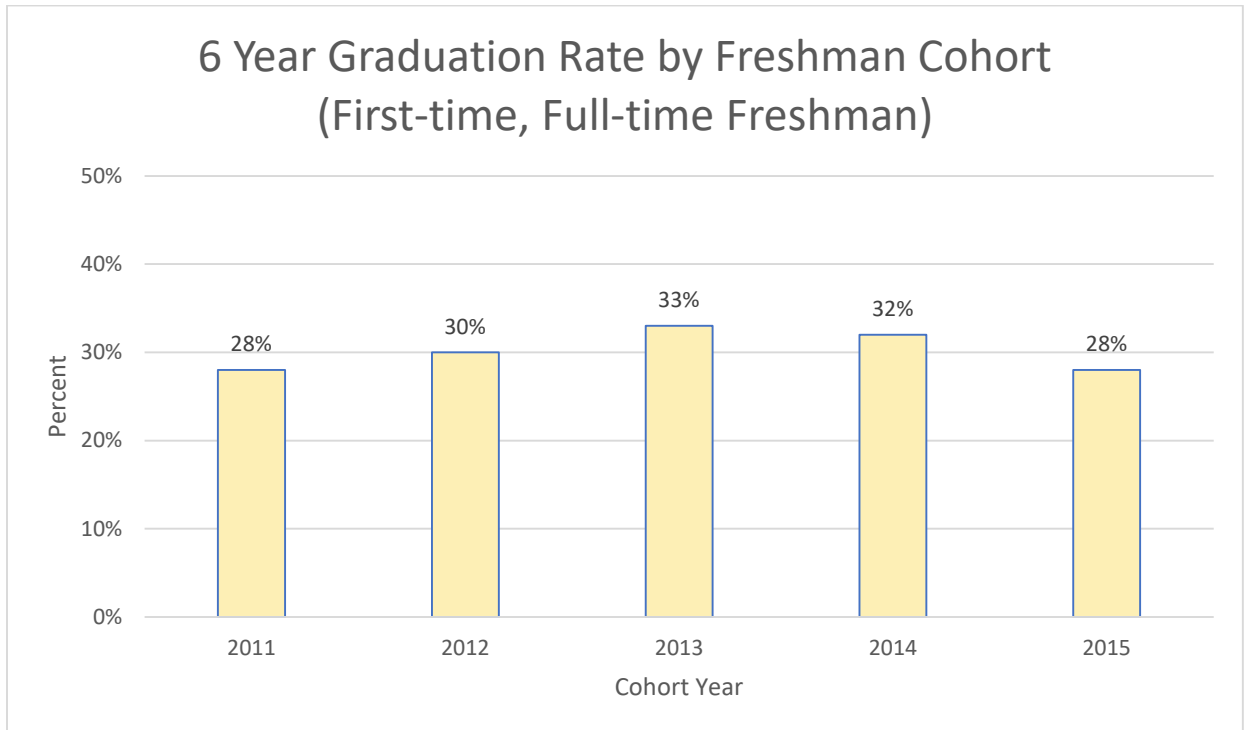


GOAL 3: Demonstrate Student Achievement through Graduation from Academic Programs

Identification: Successful completion of programs of study leading to degree certification is the most direct measure of the institution meeting its instructional goals. Presented in Figure 3 are the 6-year first-time, full-time cohort graduation rates for the most recent five years available: Fall 2011 through Fall 2015 freshmen cohorts.

Figure 3: First-time, Full-Time Undergraduate 6-Year Cohort Graduation Rate



Evaluation: The cohort graduation rate has been increasing; however, for the 2015 cohort, the graduation rate decreased. It is possible that the health, social, and economic impacts caused by the COVID-19 pandemic might have impacted students' abilities to stay enrolled and graduate within six years. ASU continually strives to increase its retention and graduation rates and to implement programs to support students in their academic journey. ASU uses these data for developing plans for continuous improvement to increase programmatic student retention which will impact the overall university graduation rate.