What % of Incoming Students Are Placed into Transfer-Level English?

At several California Acceleration Project events in spring 2016, we asked colleges to share their Fall 2015 placement data.

61% of students at large, urban community college district estimated to pass college English with C or better if allowed to enroll.  
-- Study by CCRC researcher Scott-Clayton

81% of Virginia community college students placed into college English in Fall '13 (with & without added co-requisite support). Their pass rates: 74% (the same as under prior policy placing 53% into college level).  
-- Study by CCRC researchers Rodriguez & Edgecombe

72% of a statewide sample of California community college students estimated to earn an average grade of C+ in college English if allowed to enroll.  
-- Phase I of the Multiple Measures Assessment Project

The Invisible Problem of Under-Placement: “When a student is placed into college-level course and fails there (an over-placement error), the fact that there has been a placement mistake is painfully obvious to all.” But “when a student does well in a remedial course, it is unlikely to be perceived as a problem.” -- Judith Scott-Clayton,

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