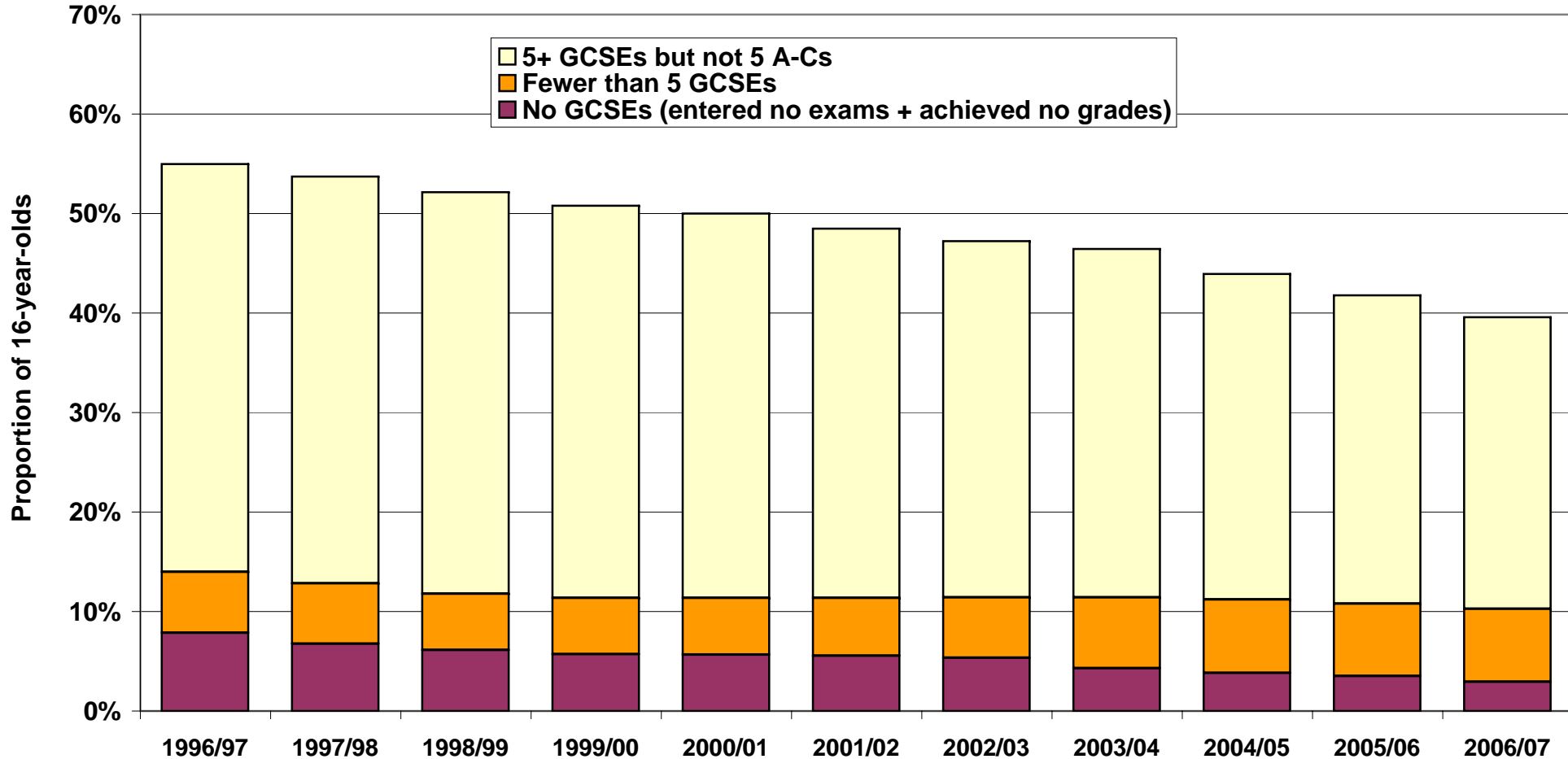


One in ten 16-year-olds still obtain fewer than 5 GCSEs, only slightly lower than in 1999/00. This lack of improvement contrasts with the continuing improvement for the higher threshold of 5 GCSEs at grade C or above.



Source: Statistical Releases from DCSF (England) and the National Assembly for Wales (Wales); England & Wales; updated May 2008