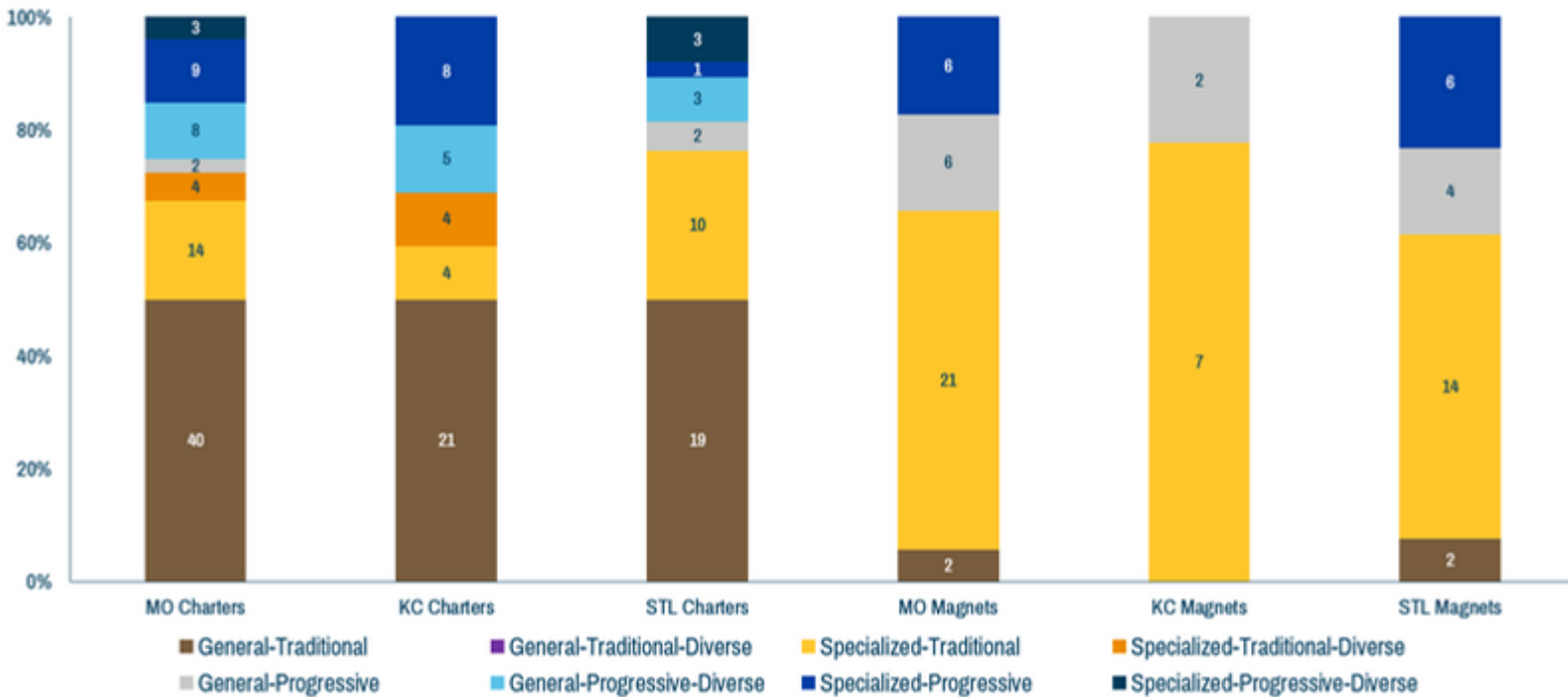


Charter and Magnet Schools in Missouri



Current (2021-22) Missouri Charter and Magnet School Types



General: schools that do not have a special focus for curriculum, or class content

Specialized: have a special curricular focus (e.g., arts, STEM)

Traditional: use conventional teaching methods (teacher-directed) and/or the high expectations (formerly “no excuses”) approach, known for its rigorous expectations

Progressive: use student-centered teaching approaches (e.g., project-based learning)

Diverse: focused on creating a racially and/or socioeconomically diverse student body

Interesting Facts About Charter and Magnet School Types:

- Nine current charter schools opened in 1999, and 67% were General-Traditional. In 2021-22, 50% of the 80 charter schools open were Specialized and/or Progressive.
- Most charter schools (63%) have a general curriculum, while most magnet schools (77%) have a specialized curriculum.
- 45% of charter schools but only 9% of magnet schools take a “high expectations” pedagogical approach.
- About 19% of charters are diverse-by-design, while no magnet schools are explicitly so.

