Census enrollment is a snapshot of all enrolled students taken approximately 21 days after the first day of classes. This differs from the official end-of-semester enrollment that the New Mexico Higher Education Department typically reports, which is not available until several weeks after a semester ends. The delay allows time for institutions to finalize grades and submit, edit, and process their data files.

Census enrollment offers an early look at what final enrollment is likely to be. While final numbers are typically slightly higher than the Census snapshot, overall trends are usually consistent.

 $The \ tables in \ this \ report \ reflect \ data \ submitted \ by \ New \ Mexico's \ public \ institutions following \ the \ Census \ date for each \ of \ the \ past \ nine fall \ semesters.$

Each table includes four summary percent-change columns:

2015 to 2021 – Represents the change in enrollment from fall 2015 through the low point in fall 2021.

2021 to 2025 - Represents the change in enrollment since the implementation of the Opportunity Scholarship.

Census Total Headcount Enrollment



	2015 Head	2016 Head	2017 Head	2018 Head	2019 Head	2020 Head	2021 Head	2022 Head	2023 Head	2024 Head	2025 Head			
Institution	Count	Count	Count	Count	Count	Count	Count	Count	Count	Count	Count	2015 to 2021	2021 to 2025	2024 to 2025
Research Universities	45,415	44,050	42,719	40,577	38,903	38,157	37,380	38,051	39,280	40,439	41,773			
New Mexico Tech	2,150	2,135	2,009	1,895	1,832	1,686	1,734	1,690	1,713	1,652	1,612	-19.3%	-7.0%	-2.4%
New Mexico State University	15,490	14,852	14,432	14,289	14,279	14,227	13,904	14,268	14,779	15,408	16,076	-10.2%	15.6%	4.3%
University of New Mexico	27,775	27,063	26,278	24,393	22,792	22,244	21,742	22,093	22,788	23,379	24,085	-21.7%	10.8%	3.0%
Comprehensive Universities	13,915	14,037	13,547	13,541	12,909	12,182	11,772	12,321	13,013	13,358	13,475	-15.4%	14.5%	0.9%
Eastern New Mexico University	5,946	6,014	6,027	6,015	5,694	5,268	4,990	5,106	5,398	5,737	6,012	-16.1%	20.5%	4.8%
New Mexico Highlands University	3,563	3,471	3,284	3,181	2,902	2,780	2,658	2,740	2,815	2,704	2,741	-25.4%	3.1%	1.4%
Northern New Mexico College	1,052	1,125	1,148	1,096	1,120	1,238	1,111	1,093	1,229	1,386	1,558	5.6%	40.2%	12.4%
Western New Mexico University	3,354	3,427	3,088	3,249	3,193	2,896	3,013	3,382	3,571	3,531	3,164	-10.2%	5.0%	-10.4%
Branch Community Colleges	21,817	21,819	20,576	20,017	20,319	16,719	16,371	17,562	18,438	18,838	20,069	-25.0%	22.6%	6.5%
ENMU - Roswell	2,657	2,875	2,661	2,410	2,343	1,703	1,601	1,923	2,049	2,088	2,013	-39.7%	25.7%	-3.6%
ENMU - Ruidoso	723	655	615	608	679	679	605	694	745	775	803	-16.3%	32.7%	3.6%
NMSU - Alamogordo	1,848	1,771	1,710	1,636	1,537	941	946	1,032	1,088	1,152	1,215	-48.8%	28.4%	5.5%
NMSU - Doña Ana	8,252	8,157	7,917	7,876	8,054	7,028	6,454	6,662	6,849	7,200	7,649	-21.8%		6.2%
NMSU - Grants	824	950	963	996	813	622	692	825	834	754	816	-16.0%		8.2%
UNM - Gallup	2,473	2,505	2,214	2,215	2,503	2,198	2,018	2,127	2,295	2,408	2,802	-18.4%		16.4%
UNM - Los Alamos	965	1,050	937	906	929	954	846	1,014	985	983	1,087	-12.3%	28.5%	10.6%
UNM - Taos	1,793	1,714	1,435	1,286	1,225	1,487	1,280	1,282	1,283	1,292	1,241	-28.6%	-3.0%	-3.9%
UNM - Valencia	2,282	2,142	2,124	2,084	2,236	1,107	1,929	2,003	2,310	2,186	2,443	-15.5%	26.6%	11.8%
Independent Community Colleges	49,944	48,203	47,051	45,338	44,373	37,361	34,741	36,637	36,226	37,340	38,594	-30.4%	11.1%	3.4%
Central New Mexico Community College	25,888	24,841	24,612	23,717	23,358	21,592	18,642	19,215	19,159	19,415	19,582	-28.0%		
Clovis Community College	3,696	3,629	3,430	3,354	3,050	2,426	2,309	2,420	2,448	2,455	2,507	-37.5%		2.1%
Luna Community College	1,485	1,396	1,367	1,065	1,151	683	818	746	737	711	730	-44.9%		2.7%
Mesalands Community College	769	844	971	900	446	397	541	674	456	544	569	-29.6%		4.6%
New Mexico Junior College	2,895	2,720	2,411	2,720	2,388	1,951	1,891	2,162	2,078	2,221	2,386	-34.7%		7.4%
San Juan College	7,062	7,062	6,723	6,369	6,621	5,280	5,350	5,615	5,796	6,082	6,661	-24.2%		9.5%
Santa Fe Community College	6,218	5,921	5,585	5,422	5,438	3,829	3,829	4,132	4,359	4,432	4,604	-38.4%		3.9%
Southeast New Mexico College [*]	1,931	1,790	1,952	1,791	1,921	1,203	1,361	1,673	1,193	1,480	1,555	-29.5%		5.1%
Formula Funded Total	131,091	128,109	123,893	119,473	116,504	104,419	100,264	104,571	106,957	109,975	113,911	-23.5%	13.6%	3.6%
*Prior to 2021, Southeast New Mexico College	e (SENMC) operate	d as NMSU-Carl	sbad. Historical	data from NMSU-	Carlsbad have be	een assigned to S	ENMC.							
Military Institute														
New Mexico Military Institute	428	422	419	412	460	391	374	345	342	331	380	-12.6%	1.6%	14.8%
Tribal Colleges [#]	2,742	2,636	2,740	2,525	2,644	2,238	2,420	2,427	2,356	3,156	2,873	-11.7%	18.7%	
Diné College	535	368	445	312	178	196	213	236	193	526	175			-66.7%
Institute of American Indian Arts	521	593	657	613	617	692	808	837	609	920	923	55.1%	14.2%	0.3%
Navajo Technical University	1,686	1,675	1,638	1,600	1,849	1,350	1,399	1,354	1,554	1,710	1,775	-17.0%	20.070	3.8%
Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute	402	367	366	367	443	450	355	284	0	0	0	-11.7%		

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Overall Total

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Total Full-time Equivalent (FTE) Enrollment



	2015 Total	2016 Total	2017 Total	2018 Total	2019 Total	2020 Total	2021 Total	2022 Total	2023 Total	2024 Total	2025 Total			
Institution	FTE	FTE	FTE	FTE	FTE	FTE	FTE	FTE	FTE	FTE	FTE		2021 to 2025	
Research Universities	37,412	36,765	36,094	33,531	31,874	31,449	30,616	31,600	33,204	33,739	34,986	-18.2%		
New Mexico Tech	1,820	1,809	1,666	1,612	1,510	1,465	1,496	1,467	1,463	1,376	1,297	-17.8%		
New Mexico State University	12,585	12,162	12,445	11,762	11,723	11,813	11,410	11,651	12,194	12,701	13,313	-9.3%		
University of New Mexico	23,007	22,794	21,983	20,157	18,641	18,171	17,710	18,482	19,547	19,662	20,376	-23.0%		
Comprehensive Universities	9,588	9,581	9,238	9,069	8,623	8,364	7,891	8,198	8,688	9,001	9,152	-17.7%		
Eastern New Mexico University	4,023	3,978	3,969	3,850	3,710	3,547	3,247	3,330	3,604	3,931	4,098	-19.3%		
New Mexico Highlands University	2,636	2,608	2,438	2,348	2,159	2,129	1,973	2,002	2,036	1,939	2,045	-25.2%		
Northern New Mexico College	707	780	786	799	768	796	714	688	772	837	958	1.0%	34.2%	
Western New Mexico University	2,222	2,215	2,045	2,072	1,986	1,893	1,957	2,178	2,276	2,294	2,051	-11.9%	4.8%	
Branch Community Colleges	12,116	11,955	11,379	10,832	10,807	8,934	8,520	8,937	8,770	9,674	10,257	-29.7%	20.4%	6.0%
ENMU - Roswell	1,570	1,570	1,623	1,436	1,466	1,035	1,070	1,234	1,228	1,297	1,325	-31.8%		
ENMU - Ruidoso	306	306	299	287	339	302	310	339	375	387	445	1.3%	43.5%	15.0%
NMSU - Alamogordo	880	794	758	721	673	429	424	465	515	537	565	-51.8%	33.3%	5.3%
NMSU - Doña Ana	4,967	4,995	4,821	4,740	4,774	4,306	3,890	3,932	4,090	4,344	4,559	-21.7%	17.2%	5.0%
NMSU - Grants	350	377	378	374	302	249	278	347	351	355	364	-20.5%	30.7%	2.6%
UNM - Gallup	1,636	1,625	1,431	1,380	1,438	1,158	1,071	1,112	1,069	1,235	1,361	-34.5%	27.1%	10.2%
UNM - Los Alamos	402	422	389	372	362	359	311	338	190	301	324	-22.6%	4.3%	7.8%
UNM - Taos	850	803	657	579	534	651	447	449	388	476	500	-47.4%	12.0%	5.1%
UNM - Valencia	1,155	1,063	1,023	942	919	446	719	723	565	742	812	-37.8%	13.1%	
Independent Community Colleges	25,558	24,638	23,673	22,947	21,708	18,993	17,345	17,859	18,030	18,451	19,522	-32.1%	12.6%	5.8%
Central New Mexico Community College	13,909	13,101	12,716	12,156	11,872	10,862	9,374	9,586	9,704	9,775	9,899	-32.6%	5.6%	1.3%
Clovis Community College	1,514	1,521	1,495	1,477	1,341	1,263	1,106	1,160	1,167	1,148	1,203	-26.9%	8.7%	4.8%
Luna Community College	667	662	614	505	511	409	441	411	422	415	431	-33.9%	-2.3%	3.9%
Mesalands Community College	396	406	404	388	220	193	258	128	307	265	294	-34.8%	14.0%	10.9%
New Mexico Junior College	1,680	1,696	1,593	1,696	1,598	1,338	1,286	1,381	1,390	1,520	1,656	-23.4%	28.8%	8.9%
San Juan College	3,861	3,861	3,538	3,672	3,169	2,670	2,585	2,714	2,779	2,904	3,528	-33.0%	36.5%	21.5%
Santa Fe Community College	2,656	2,505	2,391	2,252	2,195	1,696	1,696	1,652	1,707	1,751	1,820	-36.2%	7.3%	3.9%
Southeast New Mexico College*	875	886	922	801	802	563	599	828	553	673	691	-31.5%	15.3%	2.7%
Formula Funded Total	84,674	82,939	80,384	76,378	73,013	67,741	64,372	66,595	68,692	70,865	73,917	-24.0%	14.8%	4.3%
*Prior to 2021, Southeast New Mexico Colleg	e (SENMC) operate	d as NMSU-Carl	sbad. Historical o	data from NMSU-	Carlsbad have be	en assigned to S	ENMC.							
Military Institute												40.00/		44.40/
New Mexico Military Institute	510	502	492	487	383	471	445	412	410	413	459	-12.8%	3.3%	
Tribal Colleges [#]	2,165	2,076	2,014	1,914	1,995	1,595	1,456	1,533	1,305	1,456	1,364	-32.8%	-6.3%	
Diné College	221	255	187	146	104	123	133	139	97	161	44			
Institute of American Indian Arts	418	358	395	379	391	365	384	423	371	449	434	-8.1%	13.0%	
Navajo Technical University	1,181	1,153	1,103	1,052	1,089	760	665	688	837	846	886	-43.7%	33.2%	4.7%
Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute	345	310	329	337	410	347	274	284				-20.6%)	
Overall Total	87,349	85,517	82,890	78,779	75,391	69,807	66,272	68,540	70,407	72,735	75,740	-24.1%	14.3%	4.1%

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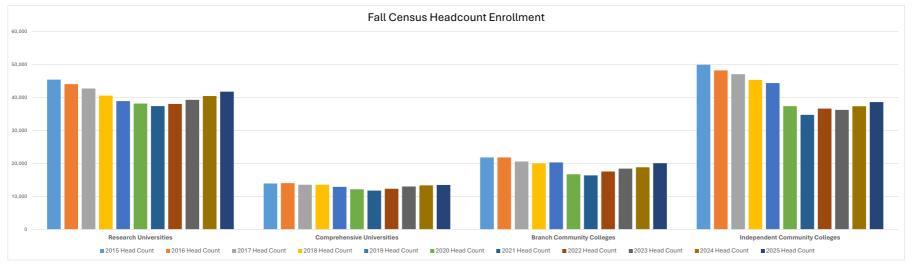
	HC Full Time Degree	Degree	HC Full Time Degree	HC Full Time Degree	HC Full Time Degree									
Institution	Seeking	Seeking	Seeking	Seeking	Seeking		2021 to 2025							
Research Universities	5,605 338		5,443 240	5,048 302			5,096 296		•	5,710 185	5,905 150			3.4% -18.9%
New Mexico Tech	1.978		2.033	2.257	2.158		1.994			2,339	2,396			-18.9%
New Mexico State University	,	,	,			,		,	*	*				2.4% 5.4%
University of New Mexico	3,289	3,365 1,230	3,170 1,233	2,489 1,234	2,447 1,205	2,682 879	2,806 786	· · · · ·	-,	3,186 1,314	3,359			-16.7%
Comprehensive Universities	1,191	-,		* '	,				, , , ,	•	1,095			
Eastern New Mexico University	601	623	623	550			336			568	470			-17.3%
New Mexico Highlands University	298		254	280	275		146			214	269			25.7% -1.5%
Northern New Mexico College	118		137	158			98		114	135 397	133			
Western New Mexico University	174		219	246		175	206		291		223			-43.8% -6.9%
Branch Community Colleges	2,294	2,468	2,413	1,660	,	,	1,371	1,538	1,505	1,854	1,727			
ENMU - Roswell	455		515	231	311		324		226	290	325			12.1%
ENMU - Ruidoso	37	41	51	48			35			42	69			64.3%
NMSU - Alamogordo	156		127	130			73		109	100	97			-3.0%
NMSU - Doña Ana	957	1,162	1,085	50	****		834			* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	1,102			3.3%
NMSU - Grants	45		40	1,109			44		79	72				4.2%
UNM - Gallup	263		227	31	50		26		40					-72.9%
UNM - Los Alamos	64		70				15		9	33	11			-66.7%
UNM - Taos	67	96	69	21	19		6		7	63	6			-90.5%
UNM - Valencia	250		229	20		45	14				10			-85.5%
Independent Community Colleges	3,334	4,525	3,902	4,270		,	2,557	•	, ,	2,845				0.9%
Central New Mexico Community College	1,753		2,117	2,148			1,411	1,347	1,301	1,484	1,341			-9.6%
Clovis Community College	163		229	229		158	132			121	127			5.0%
Luna Community College	93		83	109			127	83	122	100	98			-2.0%
Mesalands Community College	115		28	52	44		34		50	42	129			207.1%
New Mexico Junior College	278		494	957	507	319	365			486	495			1.9%
San Juan College	479		414	466			233		199	390	559			43.3%
Santa Fe Community College	309		382	206			170		165	146	39			-73.3%
Southeast New Mexico College [*]	144		155	103			85		186	76	84			10.5%
Formula Funded Total	12,424	13,715	12,991	12,212	11,512	10,367	9,810	10,776	11,055	11,723	11,599	-21.0%	18.2%	-1.1%
*Prior to 2021, Southeast New Mexico Colleg	ge (SENMC) operate	ed as NMSU-Carl	sbad. Historical	data from NMSU	-Carlsbad have b	een assigned to	SENMC.							
Military Institute														
New Mexico Military Institute	230	255	217	241	199	229	189	193	179	194	221	-17.8%	16.9%	13.9%

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New Mexico Military Institute	230	255	217	241	199	229	189	193	179	194	221	-17.8%	16.9%	13.9%
Tribal Colleges	422	331	368	421	578	387	414	410	212	162	206	-1.9%	-50.2%	27.2%
Diné College	21	22	16	15	14	6	7	7	3	0	46	-66.7%	557.1%	#DIV/0!
Institute of American Indian Arts	63	48	57	51	62	30	35	53	46	17	24	-44.4%	-31.4%	41.2%
Navajo Technical University	224	167	186	205	129	53	117	165	163	145	136	-47.8%	16.2%	-6.2%
Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute	114	94	109	150	373	298	255	185				123.7%		
Overall Total	13,076	14,301	13,576	12,874	12,289	10,983	10,413	11,379	11,446	12,079	12,026	-20.4%	15.5%	-0.4%

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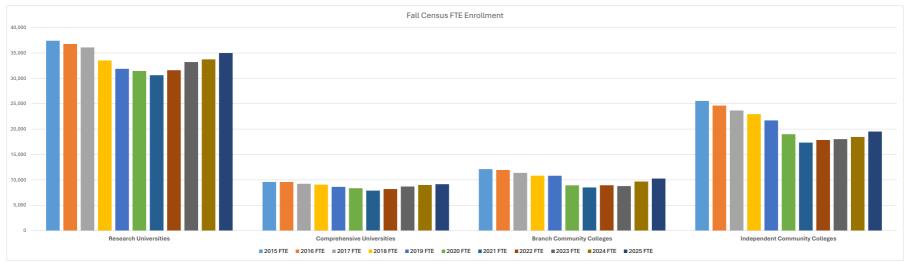
		2016 Head	2017 Head	2018 Head	2019 Head	2020 Head	2021 Head	2022 Head	2023 Head	2024 Head	2025 Head	2015 to	2021 to	2024 to
Institution Sector	2015 Head Count	Count	Count	Count	Count	Count	Count	Count	Count	Count	Count	2021	2025	2025
Research Universities	45,415	44,050	42,719	40,577	38,903	38,157	37,380	38,051	39,280	40,439	41,773	-17.7%	11.8%	3.3%
Comprehensive Universities	13,915	14,037	13,547	13,541	12,909	12,182	11,772	12,321	13,013	13,358	13,475	-15.4%	14.5%	0.9%
Branch Community Colleges	21,817	21,819	20,576	20,017	20,319	16,719	16,371	17,562	18,438	18,838	20,069	-25.0%	22.6%	6.5%
Independent Community Colleges	49,944	48,203	47,051	45,338	44,373	37,361	34,741	36,637	36,226	37,340	38,594	-30.4%	11.1%	3.4%
Formula Funded Total	131,091	128,109	123,893	119,473	116,504	104,419	100,264	104,571	106,957	109,975	113,911	-23.5%	13.6%	3.6%





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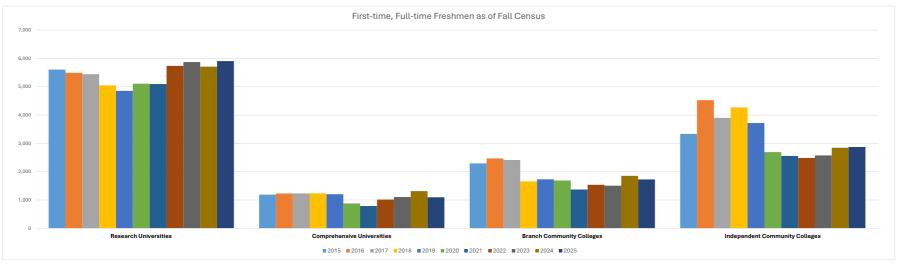
												2015 to	2021 to	2024 to
Institution Sector	2015 FTE	2016 FTE	2017 FTE	2018 FTE	2019 FTE	2020 FTE	2021 FTE	2022 FTE	2023 FTE	2024 FTE	2025 FTE	2021	2025	2025
Research Universities	37,412	36,765	36,094	33,531	31,874	31,449	30,616	31,600	33,204	33,739	34,986	-18.2%	14.3%	3.7%
Comprehensive Universities	9,588	9,581	9,238	9,069	8,623	8,364	7,891	8,198	8,688	9,001	9,152	-17.7%	16.0%	1.7%
Branch Community Colleges	12,116	11,955	11,379	10,832	10,807	8,934	8,520	8,937	8,770	9,674	10,257	-29.7%	20.4%	6.0%
Independent Community Colleges	25,558	24,638	23,673	22,947	21,708	18,993	17,345	17,859	18,030	18,451	19,522	-32.1%	12.6%	5.8%
Formula Funded Total	84,674	82,939	80,384	76,378	73,013	67,741	64,372	66,595	68,692	70,865	73,917	-24.0%	14.8%	4.3%





Total First-time, Full-time, Degree-seeking Enrollment

												2015 to	2021 to	2024 to
Institution Sector	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2021	2025	2025
Research Universities	5,605	5,492	5,443	5,048	4,855	5,107	5,096	5,737	5,871	5,710	5,905	-9.1%	15.9%	3.4%
Comprehensive Universities	1,191	1,230	1,233	1,234	1,205	879	786	1,015	1,105	1,314	1,095	-34.0%	39.3%	-16.7%
Branch Community Colleges	2,294	2,468	2,413	1,660	1,733	1,690	1,371	1,538	1,505	1,854	1,727	-40.2%	26.0%	-6.9%
Independent Community Colleges	3,334	4,525	3,902	4,270	3,719	2,691	2,557	2,486	2,574	2,845	2,872	-23.3%	12.3%	0.9%
Formula Funded Total	12,424	13,715	12,991	12,212	11,512	10,367	9,810	10,776	11,055	11,723	11,599	-21.0%	18.2%	-1.1%



A Comparison of Census Data to End-of-Semester Data

Final enrollment is typically higher than the census count, but the overall relationship between the two has remained consistent over time.

Total Census Headcount Enrollment

	2015 Head	2016 Head	2017 Head	2018 Head	2019 Head	2020 Head	2021 Head	2022 Head	2023 Head	2024 Head	2025 Head
Institution Sector	Count										
Research Universities	45,415	44,050	42,719	40,577	38,903	38,157	37,380	38,051	39,280	40,439	41,773
Comprehensive Universities	13,915	14,037	13,547	13,541	12,909	12,182	11,772	12,321	13,013	13,358	13,475
Branch Community Colleges	21,817	21,819	20,576	20,017	20,319	16,719	16,371	17,562	18,438	18,838	20,069
Independent Community Colleges	49,944	48,203	47,051	45,338	44,373	37,361	34,741	36,637	36,226	37,340	38,594
Total	131,091	128,109	123,893	119,473	116,504	104,419	100,264	104,571	106,957	109,975	113,911

Total End-of-Semester Headcount Enrollment

Institution Sector	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Research Universities	45,537	44,405	43,011	40,794	39,126	38,348	37,443	38,171	39,285	40,501	
Comprehensive Universities	14,383	14,288	13,727	13,626	13,117	12,315	11,990	12,580	13,228	13,617	
Branch Community Colleges	22,348	22,344	21,032	20,608	20,608	17,290	16,788	17,811	18,799	19,360	
Independent Community Colleges	50,686	49,215	48,006	45,468	45,468	38,341	35,843	37,493	37,000	37,946	
Total	132,954	130,252	125,776	120,496	118,319	106,294	102,064	106,055	108,312	111,424	

Change from Census to End-of-Semester Headcount Enrollment (%)

Institution Sector	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Research Universities	0.3%	0.8%	0.7%	0.5%	0.6%	0.5%	0.2%	0.3%	0.0%	0.2%	
Comprehensive Universities	3.4%	1.8%	1.3%	0.6%	1.6%	1.1%	1.9%	2.1%	1.7%	1.9%	
Branch Community Colleges	2.4%	2.4%	2.2%	3.0%	1.4%	3.4%	2.5%	1.4%	2.0%	2.8%	
Independent Community Colleges	1.5%	2.1%	2.0%	0.3%	2.5%	2.6%	3.2%	2.3%	2.1%	1.6%	
Total	1.4%	1.7%	1.5%	0.9%	1.6%	1.8%	1.8%	1.4%	1.3%	1.3%	