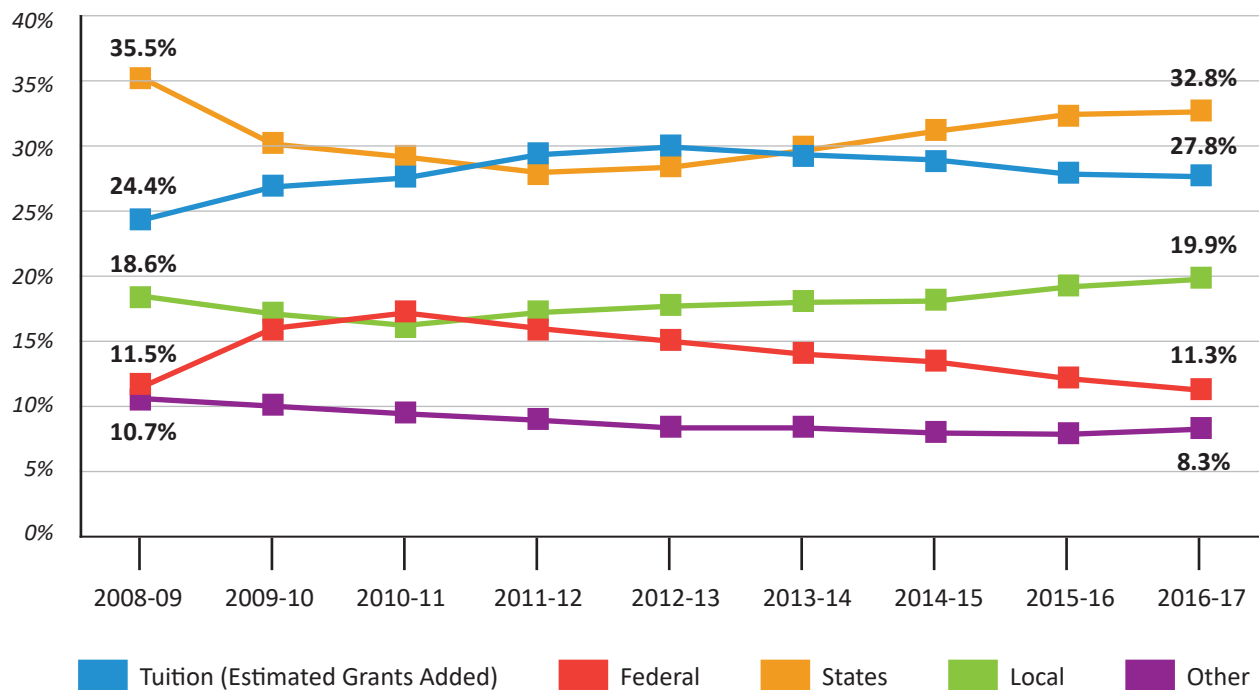


Revenue source

States are still the largest single revenue source for community colleges.

Community college revenue source: 2008 to 2017



Source: AACC analysis of Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) Finance Survey files, U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, 2019.



Community college revenue sources comprise mainly tuition and local, state and federal funding. Over the last decade, tuition revenue has been relatively steady. State funding remains the highest revenue source, while the federal portion has significantly declined. In the 2016-17 academic year, state funding at community colleges accounted for nearly one-third (32.8 percent) of community college revenues, with tuition comprising 27.8 percent, local funding 19.9 percent and federal funding 11.3 percent.

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