



FAST FACTS 2024

2024 NUMBER & TYPE OF COLLEGES¹



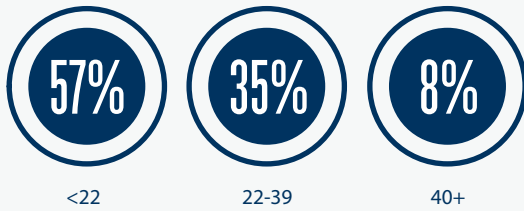
921 Public
36 Tribal
69 Independent
TOTAL 1,026



DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES AWARDED⁸ 2021-2022

849,111 ASSOCIATE DEGREES
610,791 CERTIFICATES
22,776 BACCALAUREATE DEGREES
Bachelor's degrees-awarded by 148 public, 26 tribal and 38 independent colleges^{1,10}

AGE⁶



AVERAGE: 27
MEDIAN: 23

Avg/median does not include dual-enrolled students

GENDER²



MEN 42%



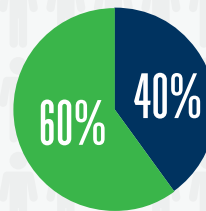
WOMEN 58%

DEMOGRAPHICS OF STUDENTS ENROLLED FOR CREDIT²

HISPANIC	28%
BLACK	12%
WHITE	43%
ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER	6%
NATIVE AMERICAN	1%
2 OR MORE RACES	4%
OTHER/UNKNOWN	4%
NONRESIDENT ALIEN	2%



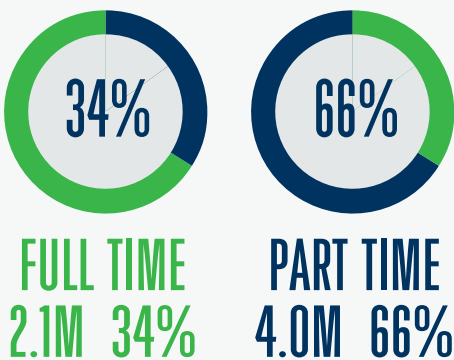
FALL 2022 HEADCOUNT ENROLLMENT



CREDIT 6.1M²
NONCREDIT 4.1M³
TOTAL: 10.2M⁵

Estimated change Fall 2022 - Fall 2023: +4%⁴

CREDIT BY ATTENDANCE²



OTHER SIGNIFICANT DEMOGRAPHICS⁵

First generation to attend college	32%
Single parents	13%
Non-U.S. citizens	8%
Veterans	4%
Students with disabilities ..	23%
Students with prior bachelor's degrees	9%



A BETTER MEASURE OF SUCCESS

Fall 2010 Cohort

VFA metrics are a better measure of community college student success than traditional IPEDS metrics.

VFA 59% **VS.** **IPEDS 25%**

VFA measures:
• All entering students
• 6 years to complete
• 9 separate outcomes

Traditional IPEDS measures:
• First time, full time
• 3 years to complete
• Only graduates

2023-2024

AVERAGE ANNUAL TUITION & FEES⁷

\$3,990

Community Colleges
(public, in district)

\$11,260

4-Year Colleges
(public, in state)



PUBLIC COMMUNITY COLLEGES WITH ON-CAMPUS HOUSING¹⁰

2022

MEDIAN EARNING OF FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES BY EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT¹¹



\$35,464 **\$44,336**

Less than High School Diploma

High School

\$52,260 **\$74,454**

Associate Degree

Bachelor's Degree

FALL 2022

REPRESENTATION OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS AMONG UNDERGRADUATES²



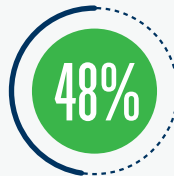
All U.S. undergraduate



First-time freshmen



Native American



Hispanic



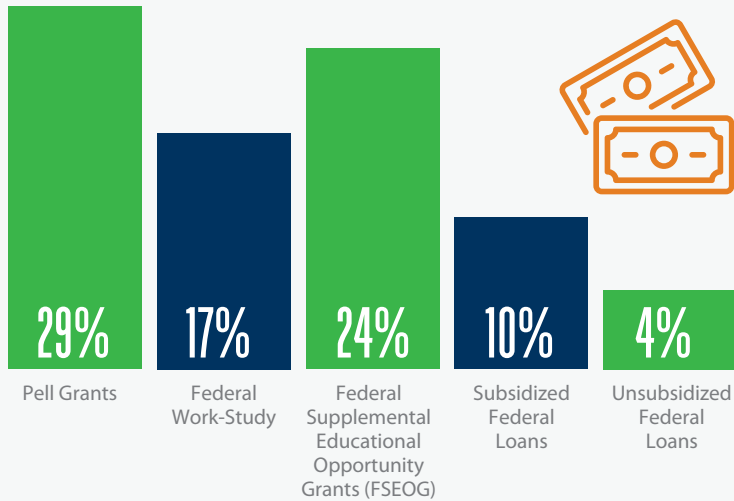
Black



Asian Pacific Islander

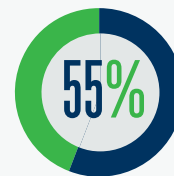
2021-2022

% OF FEDERAL AID RECEIVED BY COMMUNITY COLLEGES⁹

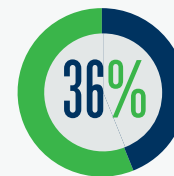


2019-2020

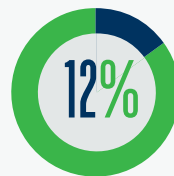
% OF STUDENTS RECEIVING STUDENT FINANCIAL AID⁵



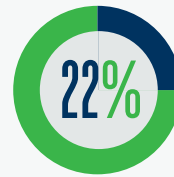
Any aid



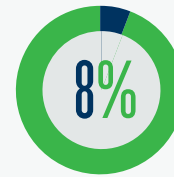
Federal Grants



Federal Loans



State Aid



Institutional



2021-2022

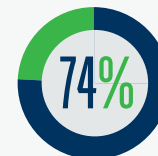
COMMUNITY COLLEGE REVENUES BY SOURCE⁹

Tuition	\$15,093,770,437	24.1%
Federal	\$18,350,275,973	24.1%
State	\$24,118,328,894	31.7%
Local	\$15,693,585,936	20.6%
Other	\$2,867,803,459	3.8%
Total	\$76,123,764,699	100%

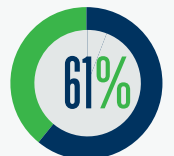


2019-2020

% OF STUDENTS APPLYING FOR AID⁵



Any Aid



Federal Aid

2019-2020

EMPLOYMENT STATUS⁵



43% Full-time Students Employed Full Time

59% Part-time Students Employed Full Time

30% Full-time Students Employed Part Time

23% Part-time Students Employed Part Time



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SOURCE:

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