

MHEC: Higher Education Overview

INDICATORS OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

Indicators of Enrollment

Performance Measures	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Act.	2017 Act.	2018 Est.	2019 Est.
Headcount enrollments at community colleges and public four-year institutions	314,451	310,573	301,528	305,209	304,591	307,804	311,497
Full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment at community colleges and public four-year institutions	242,510	248,407	242,472	243,043	239,911	218,617	225,518

Indicators of Equity

Performance Measures	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Act.	2017 Act.	2018 Est.	2019 Est.
Percentage of bachelor's degrees awarded to racial/ethnic minorities	35.9%	36.4%	37.4%	39.3%	40.0%	39.8%	40.5%
Percentage of associate's degrees awarded to racial/ethnic minorities	35.3%	35.4%	36.3%	38.4%	38.7%	39.4%	39.8%
Difference between six-year graduation rate of African Americans and all students	20.1%	20.0%	19.8%	21.4%	20.0%	20.0%	19.8%
¹ Gap between four-year transfer/ graduation rate of all minorities and all community college students	7.5%	7.5%	6.8%	6.4%	6.4%	6.4%	6.2%
Second year retention rate of students at historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs)	69.8%	68.8%	73.4%	71.4%	66.2%	68.5%	69.5%
Six-year graduation rate of students at HBCUs	32.4%	33.7%	34.9%	34.4%	36.0%	35.1%	35.5%

Indicators of Educational Outcomes

Performance Measures	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Act.	2017 Act.	2018 Est.	2019 Est.
Six-year graduation rate at four-year colleges and universities	61.6%	63.8%	63.7%	66.4%	66.0%	66.0%	68.0%
Baccalaureate recipients enrolling for advanced study (survey not conducted annually)	N/A	22%	N/A	N/A	29%	N/A	N/A
Percentage of community college transfer students who earned a bachelor's degree from a public four-year institution within four years	56.4%	55.9%	51.2%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Degree attainment rate for Marylanders ages 25 to 64	44.2%	44.8%	45.0%	45.2%	46.0%	46.0%	47.0%
Number of community college students who transfer to a public four-year campus	9,807	9,875	9,751	9,874	N/A	N/A	N/A
Number of teacher candidates completing programs leading to licensure	2,555	2,823	2,744	2,933	2,759	2,852	2,761

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Indicators of Educational Outcomes (Continued)

Performance Measures	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Act.	2017 Act.	2018 Est.	2019 Est.
Number of graduates in STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics) fields	11,850	13,082	13,850	15,039	15,923	16,300	16,800
Four-year successful persister rate at community colleges	73.7%	71.4%	69.0%	69.2%	69.0%	70.0%	71.0%
Four-year transfer and graduation rate at community colleges	33.5%	33.7%	33.9%	33.1%	36.0%	34.0%	35.0%
Number of students who graduate from Maryland nursing programs	4,097	4,237	4,221	4,258	4,167	4,211	4,345
Number of master's and doctoral degrees awarded by Maryland nursing programs	595	675	663	700	581	610	600

Indicators of Affordability and Financial Aid

Performance Measures	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Act.	2017 Act.	2018 Est.	2019 Est.
Percentage of Maryland median family income (MFI) covering tuition and fees at community colleges	5.1%	5.2%	5.4%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%
Percentage of Maryland MFI covering tuition and fees at public four-year colleges	11.2%	11.3%	11.5%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%
Percentage of students with household income at or below 40 percent of median household income (MHI) who have unmet need	38.0%	43.5%	43.3%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%
Number of Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) applications submitted on time by applicants 19 years of age or younger	42,175	42,033	42,082	41,932	42,805	58,188	60,000
Number of State grant recipients	27,044	33,744	28,592	25,856	24,847	24,000	24,000
State grant recipients as a percent of on-time applicants	19.0%	25.0%	21.0%	19.7%	20.0%	16.0%	15.0%
Number of Guaranteed Access Grant recipients	1,406	1,406	1,493	1,477	1,609	2,100	2,100

Indicators of State Funding

Performance Measures	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Act.	2017 Act.	2018 Est.	2019 Est.
Percentage of funding guideline attained for public four-year institutions	73.8%	74.3%	77.0%	71.0%	74.0%	73.0%	73.0%
Percentage of full funding guideline attained for HBCUs	74.0%	74.0%	91.4%	85.0%	95.0%	91.0%	91.0%
Total dollars appropriated for disbursement as State financial aid grant awards (millions)	\$111	\$121	\$98	\$101	\$103	\$105	\$105

NOTES

¹ Definition of racial/ethnic minorities updated in fiscal year 2015 to include two or more races.