

Graduation Rates 2019-20

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Overview

Graduation Rates Overview

Welcome to the IPEDS Graduation Rates (GR) survey component. The GR component collects data on the cohort of full-time, first-time degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate students and tracks their completion status at 150% of the normal time to complete all requirements of their program of study. This information is collected to assist institutions in complying with the requirements of the Student Right-to-Know Act.

Data Reporting Reminders

Once a student is in the cohort, they remain in the cohort, even if their status changes to part-time or they drop out or transfer out of the institution. However, adjustments can be made to the cohort for allowable exclusions, which include the death of a student, permanent disability, military deployment, or service on an official church mission or with a foreign aid service of the Federal government.

 When reporting award levels for sub-baccalaureate certificates, determine program length by the number of credit or clock hours, NOT the academic year length in parentheses. The academic year length is meant only to provide context.

Changes to reporting for 2019-20

- There are clarifications to the terms "transfer-in student" and "transfer-out student".
- As a clarification to the reporting of transfers-out, if a student transfers out of an institution and goes to another institution within the same coordinated system, they should be counted as a transfer-out student. Since each reporting entity that has an IPEDS UnitID is recognized as an individual reporting institution for Graduation Rates purposes, only report completers if that campus confers the award or degree.
- The term 'contact hour' has been replaced with the term 'clock hour'.
- The term 'formal award' has been replaced with the term 'recognized postsecondary credential'.
- There is a new instruction to exclude students participating in Experimental Pell (See <https://experimentalsites.ed.gov/exp/approved.html>)

Resources:

The survey materials package for this component can be downloaded using the following link: [Survey Materials](#)
To access your prior year data submission for this component: [Reported Data](#)

If you have questions about completing this survey, please contact the **IPEDS Help Desk at 1-877-225-2568**.

Section I - Establishing cohorts

Based on your institution's response to the predominant calendar system question (B3) on the Institutional Characteristics Header survey component from the IPEDS Fall 2019 data collection, your institution must report graduation rates data using a:

Fall Cohort

A fall cohort is used by institutions with standard academic terms (semester, trimester, quarter, 4-1-4). A full-year cohort is used by institutions offering primarily occupational/vocational programs and operating on a continuous basis.

Establishing cohorts

NOTE: Reporting using the new race/ethnicity categories is now mandatory. On this screen you will need to revise your preloaded 2013 cohort of full-time, first-time degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate students to the new race/ethnicity categories (if applicable). For information and assistance with this, please visit the [IPEDS Race/Ethnicity Information Center](#).

Men

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	Cohort year 2013	
	Initial cohort	Revised cohort (Column 01)
Nonresident alien	7	7
Hispanic/Latino	45	45
American Indian or Alaska Native	4	4
Asian	7	7
Black or African American	41	41
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	3	3
White	541	541
Two or more races	23	23
Race and ethnicity unknown	5	5
Total men	676	676

Women

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	Cohort year 2013	
	Initial cohort	Revised cohort (Column 01)
Nonresident alien	1	1
Hispanic/Latino	63	63
American Indian or Alaska Native	3	3
Asian	8	8
Black or African American	40	40
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0
White	785	785
Two or more races	35	35
Race and ethnicity unknown	3	3
Total women	938	938
Total men + women	1,614	1,614

Section I - Establishing cohorts

- Incoming students seeking a bachelor's degree should be reported in Column 02. Column 03 will then be generated for you. Column 03 is meant to include any full-time, first-time entering students who were seeking a degree or certificate other than a bachelor's degree, such as an associate's degree or undergraduate certificate.
- If you have no changes to the preloaded data on this screen, click the "Save and Next" button to generate additional screens for reporting completers and transfers/exclusions.

Establishing cohorts

- Report Hispanic/Latino individuals of any race as Hispanic/Latino
- Report race for non-Hispanic/Latino individuals only

Men

Screen 2 of 2	Cohort year 2013		
	Cohort	Bachelor's or equivalent degree-seeking subcohort	Other degree/certificate-seeking subcohort (Cohort minus Bachelor's or equivalent degree-seeking subcohort)
	(Column 01)	(Column 02)	(Column 03)
<u>Nonresident alien</u>	7	7	0
<u>Hispanic/Latino</u>	45	45	0
<u>American Indian or Alaska Native</u>	4	4	0
<u>Asian</u>	7	7	0
<u>Black or African American</u>	41	41	0
<u>Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander</u>	3	3	0
<u>White</u>	541	541	0
<u>Two or more races</u>	23	23	0
<u>Race and ethnicity unknown</u>	5	5	0
Total men	676	676	0

Women

Screen 2 of 2	Cohort year 2013		
	Cohort	Bachelor's or equivalent degree-seeking subcohort	Other degree/certificate-seeking subcohort (Cohort minus Bachelor's or equivalent degree-seeking subcohort)
	(Column 01)	(Column 02)	(Column 03)
<u>Nonresident alien</u>	1	1	0
<u>Hispanic/Latino</u>	63	63	0
<u>American Indian or Alaska Native</u>	3	3	0
<u>Asian</u>	8	8	0
<u>Black or African American</u>	40	40	0
<u>Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander</u>	0	0	0
<u>White</u>	785	785	0
<u>Two or more races</u>	35	35	0
<u>Race and ethnicity unknown</u>	3	3	0
Total women	938	938	0
Total men + women	1,614	1,614	0

Section II - Bachelor's or equivalent degree-seeking subcohort - Completers within 150%

- In the columns below, report the status of the bachelor's degree-seeking subcohort of students listed in Column 10.
- Of the students in Column 10, those who attained a degree or certificate OTHER THAN A BACHELOR'S DEGREE within 150% of the normal time to complete the program as of August 31, 2019 should be reported in either Column 11 or 12, depending on the length of the program completed.
- Of the students in Column 10, those who attained a bachelor's degree or equivalent within 150% of normal time should be reported in Column 18.

Subcohort of full-time, first-time students seeking a bachelor's or equivalent degree

- Report Hispanic/Latino individuals of any race as Hispanic/Latino
- Report race for non-Hispanic/Latino individuals only

Men

Screen 1 of 4		Cohort year 2013			
	Bachelor's or equivalent degree-seeking subcohort (Column 10)	Subcohort students who completed their program within 150% of normal time to completion			Total completers within 150% (Column 29)
		Completors of programs of less than 2 academic yrs (or equivalent) (Column 11)	Completors of programs of at least 2 but less than 4 academic yrs (or equivalent) (Column 12)	Completors of bachelor's or equivalent degrees (Column 18)	
Nonresident alien	7	0	0	5	5
Hispanic/Latino	45	0	0	22	22
American Indian or Alaska Native	4	0	0	3	3
Asian	7	0	0	4	4
Black or African American	41	0	0	21	21
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	3	0	0	3	3
White	541	0	0	339	339
Two or more races	23	0	0	13	13
Race and ethnicity unknown	5	0	0	3	3
Total men	676	0	0	413	413

Women

Screen 1 of 4		Cohort year 2013			
	Bachelor's or equivalent degree-seeking subcohort (Column 10)	Subcohort students who completed their program within 150% of normal time to completion			Total completers within 150% (Column 29)
		Completors of programs of less than 2 academic yrs (or equivalent) (Column 11)	Completors of programs of at least 2 but less than 4 academic yrs (or equivalent) (Column 12)	Completors of bachelor's or equivalent degrees (Column 18)	
Nonresident alien	1	0	0	1	1
Hispanic/Latino	63	0	0	42	42
American Indian or Alaska Native	3	0	0	2	2
Asian	8	0	0	6	6
Black or African American	40	0	0	27	27
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0
White	785	0	0	494	494
Two or more races	35	0	0	19	19
Race and ethnicity unknown	3	0	0	1	1
Total women	938	0	0	592	592

Total men + women	1,614	0	0	1,005	1,005
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Section II - Bachelor's completers by length of time to degree

Those students in the bachelor's or equivalent degree-seeking subcohort who attained a bachelor's degree or equivalent within 150% of normal time to completion, as reported on the previous screen, are listed in Column 18. In Column 19, report the number of these students who earned a bachelor's degree in 4 years. In Column 20, report the number of these students who earned a bachelor's degree in 5 years. Column 21 will be calculated for you.

Subcohort of full-time, first-time students seeking a bachelor's or equivalent degree

•Report Hispanic/Latino individuals of any race as Hispanic/Latino

•Report race for non-Hispanic/Latino individuals only

Men

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	<u>Bachelor's or equivalent degree-seeking subcohort</u> (Column 10)	Completed bachelor's degree or equivalent within 150% (Column 18)	Cohort year 2013 Subcohort students who attained a <u>bachelor's degree or equivalent</u>		
			Completed the program in 4 yrs or less (Column 19)	Completed the program in 5 yrs (Column 20)	Completed the program in 6 yrs (Column 21)
			Nonresident alien	7	5
Hispanic/Latino	45	22	13	7	2
American Indian or Alaska Native	4	3	3	0	0
Asian	7	4	2	2	0
Black or African American	41	21	8	13	0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	3	3	1	2	0
White	541	339	215	111	13
Two or more races	23	13	11	1	1
Race and ethnicity unknown	5	3	1	2	0
Total men	676	413	256	141	16

Women

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	<u>Bachelor's or equivalent degree-seeking subcohort</u> (Column 10)	Completed bachelor's degree or equivalent within 150% (Column 18)	Cohort year 2013 Subcohort students who attained a <u>bachelor's degree or equivalent</u>		
			Completed the program in 4 yrs or less (Column 19)	Completed the program in 5 yrs (Column 20)	Completed the program in 6 yrs (Column 21)
			Nonresident alien	1	1
Hispanic/Latino	63	42	28	12	2
American Indian or Alaska Native	3	2	2	0	0
Asian	8	6	3	3	0
Black or African American	40	27	14	11	2
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0
White	785	494	374	100	20
Two or more races	35	19	11	8	0
Race and ethnicity unknown	3	1	1	0	0
Total women	938	592	434	134	24
Total men + women	1,614	1,005	690	275	40

Section II - Bachelor's or equivalent degree-seeking subcohort - Transfers/exclusions

- In the columns below, report the status of those students in the BACHELOR'S OR EQUIVALENT DEGREE-SEEKING SUBCOHORT listed in Column 10 who did not complete a program within 150% of normal time to completion.
- Report transfers-out who did not complete a program in Column 30. If the mission of your institution includes providing substantial preparation for students to enroll in another eligible institution WITHOUT having completed a program, you must report transfer-out data in Column 30. A school is required to report only on those students that the school knows have transferred to another eligible institution. A school must document that the student actually transferred. If it is not part of your mission, you may report transfer-out data if you wish.
- Report eligible exclusions from the subcohort in Column 45. The ONLY allowable categories for this column are:
 Students who died or became permanently disabled
 Students who left school to serve in the armed forces (or have been called up to active duty)
 Students who left school to serve with a foreign aid service of the Federal Government
 Students who left school to serve on an official church mission
- Column 52 [No longer enrolled] will be calculated for you. This includes students who have dropped out as well as those who completed in greater than 150% of normal time.
- If you do not have any values to report in either Column 30, 45, or 51, you must enter at least one zero in a field on this screen to continue.

Subcohort of full-time, first-time students seeking a bachelor's or equivalent degree

- Report Hispanic/Latino individuals of any race as Hispanic/Latino
- Report race for non-Hispanic/Latino individuals only

Men

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	Cohort year 2013					
	<u>Bachelor's or equivalent degree-seeking subcohort</u>	<u>Total completers within 150%</u>	<u>Total transfer-out students</u>	<u>Total exclusions</u>	<u>Still enrolled</u>	<u>No longer enrolled</u>
	(Column 10)	(Column 29)	(Column 30)	(Column 45)	(Column 51)	(Column 52)
<u>Nonresident alien</u>	7	5	0	0	0	2
<u>Hispanic/Latino</u>	45	22	12	0	0	11
<u>American Indian or Alaska Native</u>	4	3	0	0	0	1
<u>Asian</u>	7	4	3	0	0	0
<u>Black or African American</u>	41	21	14	0	0	6
<u>Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander</u>	3	3	0	0	0	0
<u>White</u>	541	339	148	3	9	42
<u>Two or more races</u>	23	13	3	1	1	5
<u>Race and ethnicity unknown</u>	5	3	2	0	0	0
Total men	676	413	182	4	10	67

Women

Screen 3 of 4

	Cohort year 2013					
	<u>Bachelor's or equivalent degree-seeking subcohort</u>	<u>Total completers within 150%</u>	<u>Total transfer-out students</u>	<u>Total exclusions</u>	<u>Still enrolled</u>	<u>No longer enrolled</u>
	(Column 10)	(Column 29)	(Column 30)	(Column 45)	(Column 51)	(Column 52)
<u>Nonresident alien</u>	1	1	0	0	0	0
<u>Hispanic/Latino</u>	63	42	16	0	1	4
<u>American Indian or Alaska Native</u>	3	2	1	0	0	0
<u>Asian</u>	8	6	2	0	0	0
<u>Black or African American</u>	40	27	10	0	0	3
<u>Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander</u>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>White</u>	785	494	235	1	7	48
<u>Two or more races</u>	35	19	13	0	1	2
<u>Race and ethnicity unknown</u>	3	1	2	0	0	0
Total women	938	592	279	1	9	57

Total men + women 1,614 1,005 461 5 19 124

Section II - Bachelor's or equivalent degree-seeking cohort - Pell recipients and a recipients of a subsidized Direct Loan who did not receive a Pell Grant

For each subcohort, report the number of students in the cohort, total exclusions for the cohort, the number of students that completed a bachelor's or equivalent degree within 150% of normal time to completion, and the total completers within 150%.

•Recipients of a Pell Grant and Recipients of a Direct Subsidized Loan that did not receive a Pell Grant are **mutually exclusive**, that is, if a student is in one cohort, they cannot be in the other cohort.

- The total of these 2 subcohorts must be less than the Bachelor's or equivalent degree-seeking cohort

Subcohort of full-time, first-time students seeking a bachelor's or equivalent degree

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	Cohort year 2013			
	Number of students in cohort	Total <u>exclusions</u>	Completed bachelor's degree or equivalent within 150%	Total completers within 150%
	(Column 10)	(Column 45)	(Column 18)	(Column 29)
Bachelor's or equivalent degree-seeking cohort	1,614	5	1,005	1,005
Recipients of a Pell Grant (within entering year)	632	1	367	367
Recipients of a Direct Subsidized Loan (within entering year) that did not receive a Pell Grant	288	1	175	175
Did not receive either a Pell Grant or Direct Subsidized Loan (within entering year)	694	3	463	463

Graduation and transfer-out rates

Calculation of graduation and transfer-out rates

Screen 1 of 2	Cohort year 2013	
	Graduation rate	Transfer-out rate
Overall Rates (will be displayed on College Navigator)	62	29
Men	61	27
Women	63	30

Graduation rates displayed below in bold italics will be displayed on College Navigator


Graduation rates for students pursuing bachelor's or equivalent degrees

	4 year graduation rate	5 year graduation rate	6 year graduation rate
Men	38	59	61
Women	46	61	63
Total (men and women)	43	60	62
<u>Nonresident alien</u>	38	75	75
<u>Hispanic/Latino</u>	38	56	59
<u>American Indian or Alaska Native</u>	71	71	71
<u>Asian</u>	33	67	67
<u>Black or African American</u>	27	57	59
<u>Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander</u>	33	100	100
<u>White</u>	45	61	63
<u>Two or more races</u>	39	54	56
<u>Race and ethnicity unknown</u>	25	50	50

Do you wish to provide additional context notes?

No

Yes

 Note that certain information from these worksheets will be displayed on College Navigator, as noted. You may use the space below to provide context for these data. These context notes will be posted on the College Navigator website, and should be written to be understood by students and parents.

4-year average rates

4-year average rates

Screen 2 of 2

Men

	2010	2011	2012	2013	4-year Total
<u>Adjusted cohort</u>	669	660	694	672	2,695
Total <u>completers within 150%</u>	341	359	408	413	1,521
Total <u>transfer-out students</u>	177	170	185	182	714

Women

	2010	2011	2012	2013	4-year Total
<u>Adjusted cohort</u>	746	841	851	937	3,375
Total <u>completers within 150%</u>	459	527	543	592	2,121
Total <u>transfer-out students</u>	179	185	227	279	870

Total (men and women)

	2010	2011	2012	2013	4-year Total
<u>Adjusted cohort</u>	1,415	1,501	1,545	1,609	6,070
Total <u>completers within 150%</u>	800	886	951	1,005	3,642
Total <u>transfer-out students</u>	356	355	412	461	1,584

4-year average Student Right-to-Know completion or graduation rate calculation 60
 (Total Completers within 150% / Adjusted Cohort)

4-year average Student Right-to-Know transfer-out rate calculation 26
 (Total Transfer-out Students / Adjusted Cohort)

Prepared by

The name of the preparer is being collected so that we can follow up with the appropriate person in the event that there are questions concerning the data. The Keyholder will be copied on all email correspondence to other preparers.

The time it took to prepare this component is being collected so that we can continue to improve our estimate of the reporting burden associated with IPEDS. Please include in your estimate the time it took for you to review instructions, query and search data sources, complete and review the component, and submit the data through the Data Collection System.

Thank you for your assistance.

This survey component was prepared by:

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How many staff from your institution only were involved in the data collection and reporting process of this survey component?

Number of Staff (including yourself)	
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How many hours did you and others from your institution only spend on each of the steps below when responding to this survey component?

Exclude the hours spent collecting data for state and other reporting purposes.

Staff member	Collecting Data Needed	Revising Data to Match IPEDS Requirements	Entering Data	Revising and Locking Data
Your office	hours	hours	hours	hours
Other offices	hours	hours	hours	hours

Summary**2019 IPEDS Graduation Rate Component Data Summary**

IPEDS collects important information regarding your institution. All data reported in IPEDS survey components become available in the IPEDS Data Center and appear as aggregated data in various Department of Education reports. Additionally, some of the reported data appears specifically for your institution through the College Navigator website and is included in your institution's Data Feedback Report (DFR). The purpose of this summary is to provide you an opportunity to view some of the data that, when accepted through the IPEDS quality control process, will appear on the College Navigator website and/or your DFR. College Navigator is updated approximately three months after the data collection period closes and Data Feedback Reports will be available through the [Data Center](#) and sent to your institution's CEO in November 2019.

Please review your data for accuracy. If you have questions about the data displayed below after reviewing the data reported on the survey screens, please contact the IPEDS Help Desk at: 1-877-225-2568 or ipedshelp@rti.org.

Overall Graduation Rate	
Graduation Rate	62%
Total number of students in the Adjusted Cohort	1,609
Total number of completers within 150% of normal time	1,005

Overall Transfer-out Rate	
Transfer-out Rate	29%
Total number of students in the Adjusted Cohort	1,609
Total number of transfers-out within 150% of normal time	461

Graduation Rate for students pursuing Bachelor's Degrees	
Graduation Rate for Bachelor's Cohort	62%
Total number of students in the Adjusted Cohort	1,609
Total number of bachelor's degree completers within 150% of normal time	1,005

Graduation Rates

Western Carolina University (200004)

There are no errors for the selected survey and institution.