

STATE UNIVERSITY DATA BOOK

Section III: Students

January 2026

★ LEADING HIGHER EDUCATION ★

Enrollment Headcount by Institution Fall 2020 - 2025

Table 3.1

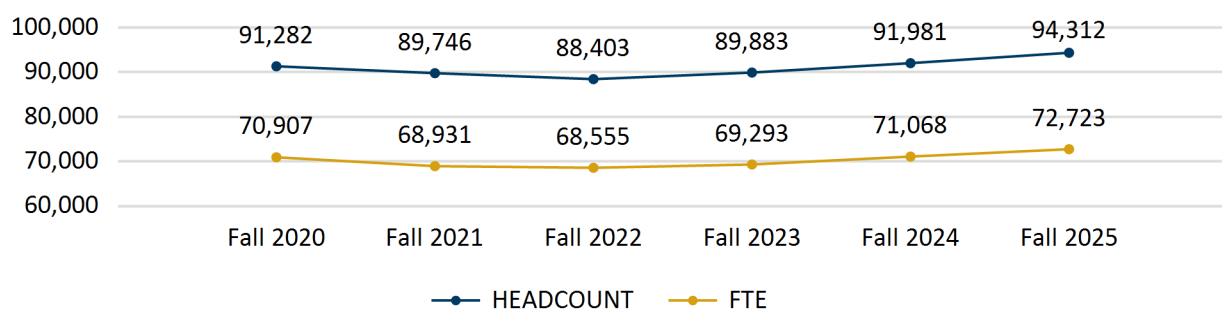
Institution	Fall 2020	Fall 2021	Fall 2022	Fall 2023	Fall 2024	Fall 2025	% Change Fall 20 - 25
University of Kansas	23,964	23,958	23,872	25,469	26,887	27,212	13.6%
University of Kansas Medical Center	3,655	3,726	3,766	3,886	3,882	3,956	8.2%
Kansas State University	20,377	19,752	19,231	19,271	19,810	20,726	1.7%
Kansas State University - Veterinary Medicine	477	477	480	476	493	494	3.6%
Wichita State University	15,550	16,097	16,921	17,548	17,700	18,458	18.7%
Emporia State University	5,828	5,615	5,324	4,658	4,557	4,820	-17.3%
Pittsburg State University	6,398	6,017	5,858	5,732	5,774	5,797	-9.4%
Fort Hays State University	15,033	14,104	12,951	12,843	12,878	12,849	-14.5%
State Universities Total	91,282	89,746	88,403	89,883	91,981	94,312	3.3%

Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Enrollment by Institution* Fall 2020 - 2025

Table 3.2

Institution	Fall 2020	Fall 2021	Fall 2022	Fall 2023	Fall 2024	Fall 2025	% Change Fall 20 - 25
University of Kansas	20,614	20,554	20,644	22,188	23,466	23,780	15.4%
University of Kansas Medical Center	2,785	2,802	2,803	2,803	2,787	2,905	4.3%
Kansas State University	16,629	16,056	15,630	15,633	16,178	16,927	1.8%
Kansas State University - Veterinary Medicine	730	778	771	765	795	795	8.9%
Wichita State University	11,041	11,288	11,785	11,728	11,530	11,799	6.9%
Emporia State University	4,316	4,066	3,944	3,434	3,318	3,464	-19.7%
Pittsburg State University	5,502	5,142	5,007	5,024	5,010	5,006	-9.0%
Fort Hays State University	9,290	8,245	7,971	7,718	7,984	8,047	-13.4%
State Universities Total	70,907	68,931	68,555	69,293	71,068	72,723	2.6%

State Universities - Headcount and FTE Fall 2020 - 2025



*FTE data has been rounded to align with KHEStats.
Source: KHEDS Fall Census Collection

Enrollment Headcount by Institution Academic Year 2020 - 2025

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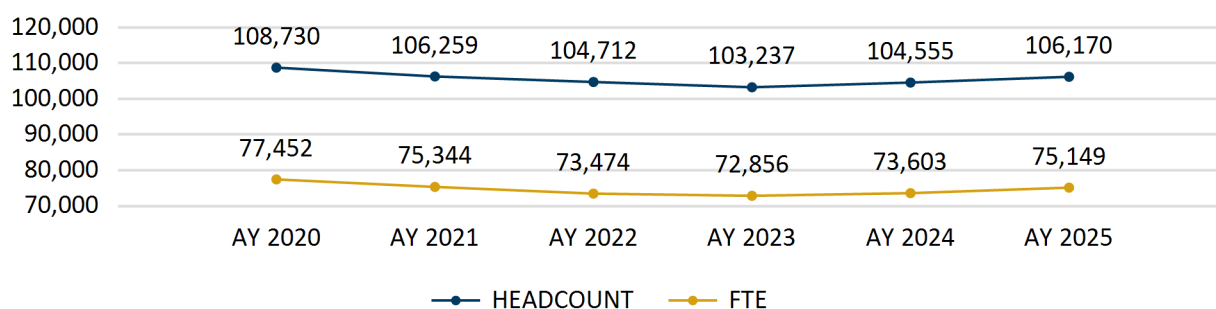
Institution	AY 2020	AY 2021	AY 2022	AY 2023	AY 2024	AY 2025	% Change AY 20 - 25
University of Kansas	27,076	26,241	26,159	26,206	27,685	29,082	7.4%
University of Kansas Medical Center	4,378	4,142	4,258	4,351	4,468	4,450	1.6%
Kansas State University	23,578	22,788	22,133	21,549	21,779	22,333	-5.3%
Kansas State University - Veterinary Medicine	476	482	474	489	491	493	3.6%
Wichita State University	19,010	18,273	19,346	19,899	20,429	20,632	8.5%
Emporia State University	7,240	7,245	7,112	6,660	5,886	5,846	-19.3%
Pittsburg State University	8,145	8,036	7,497	7,099	6,895	6,813	-16.4%
Fort Hays State University	18,827	19,052	17,733	16,984	16,922	16,521	-12.2%
State Universities Total	108,730	106,259	104,712	103,237	104,555	106,170	-2.4%

Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Enrollment by Institution* Academic Year 2020 - 2025

Table 3.2a

Institution	AY 2020	AY 2021	AY 2022	AY 2023	AY 2024	AY 2025	% Change AY 20 - 25
University of Kansas	22,209	21,403	21,227	21,504	22,991	24,276	9.3%
University of Kansas Medical Center	2,904	2,913	2,966	2,946	2,920	2,884	-0.7%
Kansas State University	18,123	17,466	16,856	16,520	16,646	17,166	-5.3%
Kansas State University - Veterinary Medicine	816	835	838	866	872	856	4.9%
Wichita State University	11,898	11,758	11,913	12,326	12,203	12,075	1.5%
Emporia State University	4,934	4,999	4,738	4,547	3,980	3,864	-21.7%
Pittsburg State University	6,138	5,805	5,455	5,262	5,257	5,191	-15.4%
Fort Hays State University	10,430	10,165	9,481	8,885	8,734	8,837	-15.3%
State Universities Total	77,452	75,344	73,474	72,856	73,603	75,149	-3.0%

State Universities - Headcount and FTE Academic Year 2020 - 2025



*FTE data has been rounded to align with KHEStats.
Source: KHEDS AY Collection

Demographic Profiles of Students
Academic Year 2020 - 2025

Table 3.3
State Universities

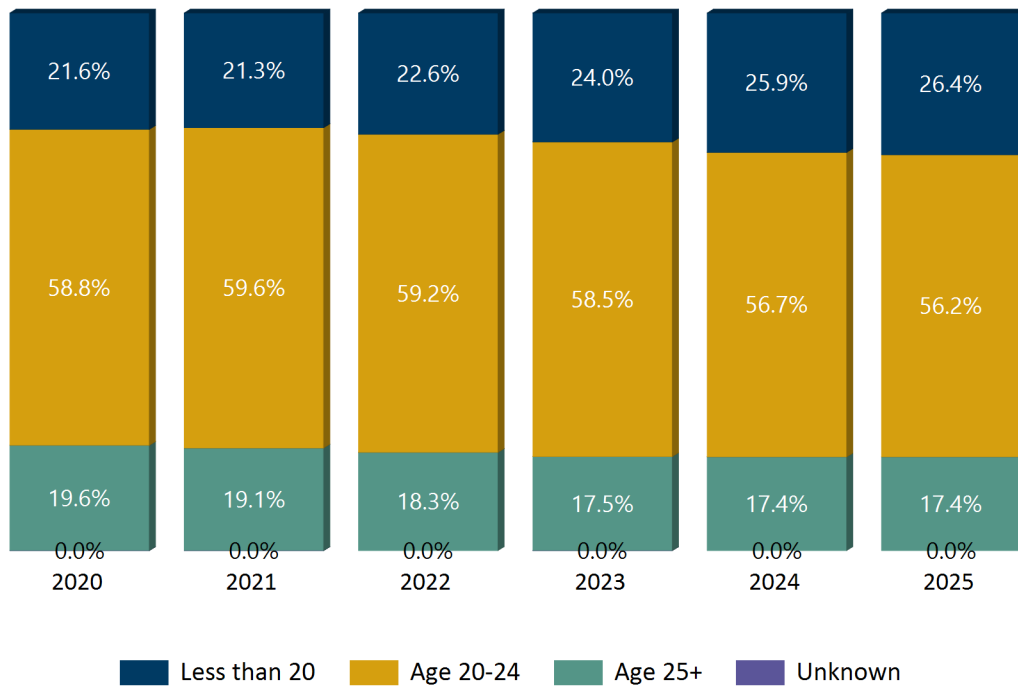
	AY 2020	AY 2021	AY 2022	AY 2023	AY 2024	AY 2025	% Change AY 20 - 25
Headcount							
Undergraduate	79,724	76,576	74,568	72,981	75,008	77,535	-2.7%
Graduate	29,006	29,683	30,144	30,256	29,547	28,635	-1.3%
Total Headcount	108,730	106,259	104,712	103,237	104,555	106,170	-2.4%
FTE							
Undergraduate	60,375	57,565	55,352	54,333	55,695	57,787	-4.3%
Graduate	17,077	17,779	18,122	18,523	17,908	17,362	1.7%
Total FTE	77,452	75,344	73,474	72,856	73,603	75,149	-3.0%
Full-time/Part-time Status							
Full-time	60,090	57,383	56,556	56,518	57,180	59,046	-1.7%
Part-time	48,640	48,876	48,156	46,719	47,375	47,124	-3.1%
Residency							
Resident	69,803	67,447	64,935	64,869	65,532	65,609	-6.0%
Resident by Exception	5,022	4,611	5,491	4,416	3,905	3,831	-23.7%
Nonresident	33,905	34,201	34,286	33,952	35,118	36,730	8.3%
Gender							
Female	59,765	59,652	59,070	58,126	59,090	60,553	1.3%
Male	48,278	46,466	45,489	44,960	45,292	45,342	-6.1%
Unknown	687	141	153	151	173	275	-60.0%
Undergraduate Age Groups							
Age < 18	1.6%	1.4%	1.7%	1.9%	2.2%	2.6%	57.8%
Age 18-19	20.0%	20.0%	20.8%	22.1%	23.7%	23.8%	15.4%
Age 20-24	58.8%	59.6%	59.2%	58.5%	56.7%	56.2%	-7.0%
Age 25-34	11.9%	11.7%	10.9%	10.3%	9.9%	9.8%	-20.3%
Age 35-44	4.2%	4.3%	4.2%	4.0%	4.0%	3.9%	-11.1%
Age 45-64	2.2%	2.2%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.1%	-9.9%
Age 65+	1.2%	0.9%	1.1%	1.2%	1.5%	1.7%	41.1%
Unknown	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-100.0%
Graduate Age Groups							
Age < 18	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	NA
Age 18-19	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	NA
Age 20-24	17.7%	17.7%	19.7%	21.5%	21.1%	20.4%	13.7%
Age 25-34	49.1%	48.1%	46.6%	45.8%	45.7%	45.8%	-7.9%
Age 35-44	19.2%	19.9%	19.8%	19.3%	19.3%	19.5%	0.3%
Age 45-64	13.0%	13.5%	13.1%	12.7%	13.2%	13.6%	3.6%
Age 65+	1.0%	0.8%	0.7%	0.7%	0.6%	0.7%	-31.8%
Unknown	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-100.0%
Race/Ethnicity							
White	65.4%	66.5%	65.2%	63.8%	63.1%	63.0%	-5.9%
Hispanic	8.0%	8.2%	8.2%	8.1%	8.7%	9.3%	13.4%
Black or African-American	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.1%	1.7%
Asian	3.2%	3.4%	3.6%	3.8%	3.9%	4.0%	22.4%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.6%	0.5%	0.5%	-2.2%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	24.7%
Two or More Races	3.7%	3.8%	3.6%	3.7%	3.9%	4.1%	6.5%
Non-Resident Alien	11.4%	11.3%	7.4%	7.7%	7.6%	7.0%	-40.5%
Unknown	3.6%	2.2%	7.4%	8.3%	8.1%	7.9%	111.2%

Source: KHEDS Academic Year Collection

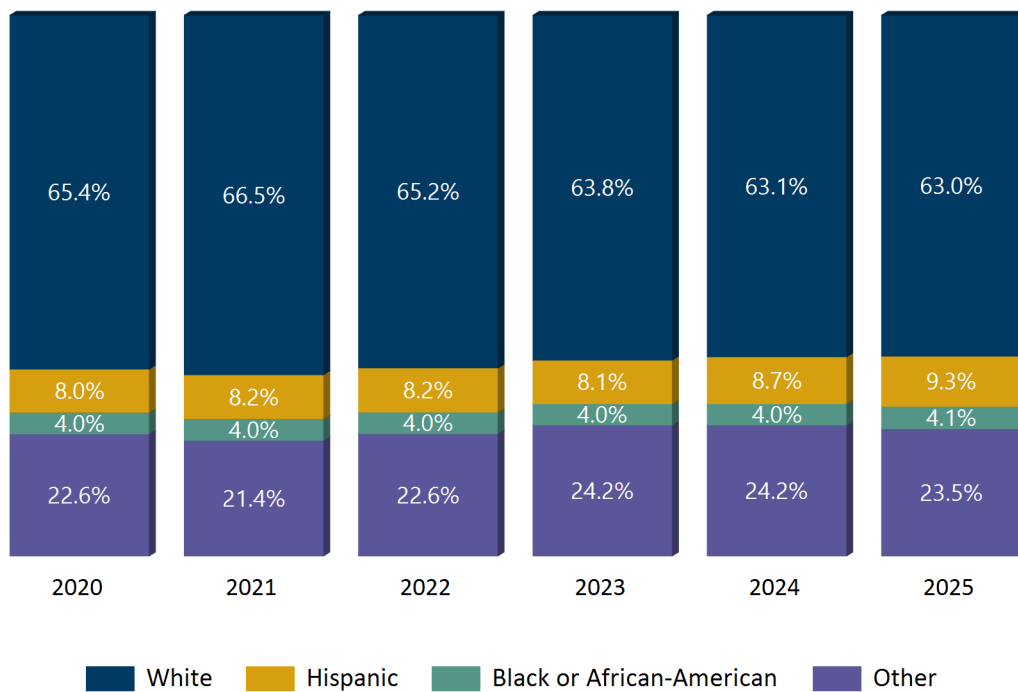
Demographic Profiles of Students at State Universities Academic Year 2020 - 2025

Table 3.3

Enrollment by Age - Undergraduates



Enrollment by Race



**Average ACT Composite Scores Among Entering Freshmen
Academic Year 2020 - 2025**

Table 3.5

Institution	AY 2020	AY 2021	AY 2022	AY 2023	AY 2024	AY 2025
Sent and Enrolled						
University of Kansas	25.1	25.0	24.3	23.4	23.0	22.8
Kansas State University	24.6	24.2	23.5	23.4	22.7	22.7
Wichita State University	23.2	22.9	22.5	22.0	21.6	21.2
Emporia State University	21.7	21.4	20.9	20.8	20.3	20.0
Pittsburg State University	21.3	20.8	20.4	19.9	20.2	19.9
Fort Hays State University	21.5	21.1	21.2	20.6	20.1	20.3
Sent and Not Enrolled						
University of Kansas	23.4	22.3	22.2	23.2	23.3	23.4
Kansas State University	22.3	21.2	21.2	22.3	22.5	22.6
Wichita State University	21.2	20.5	20.4	21.5	21.6	21.9
Emporia State University	20.6	20.0	19.9	20.7	21.0	21.1
Pittsburg State University	20.6	20.3	20.0	21.0	21.2	21.3
Fort Hays State University	20.4	19.7	19.5	20.4	20.5	20.7
Sent to the University						
University of Kansas	23.7	22.8	22.6	23.3	23.2	23.2
Kansas State University	22.7	21.7	21.5	22.6	22.6	22.6
Wichita State University	21.6	20.9	20.7	21.6	21.6	21.7
Emporia State University	20.8	20.2	20.0	20.7	20.9	20.8
Pittsburg State University	20.8	20.4	20.1	20.8	20.9	20.8
Fort Hays State University	20.7	20.0	19.9	20.4	20.4	20.5

Average ACT Composite Score - All Kansas High School Students (Graduating Class)

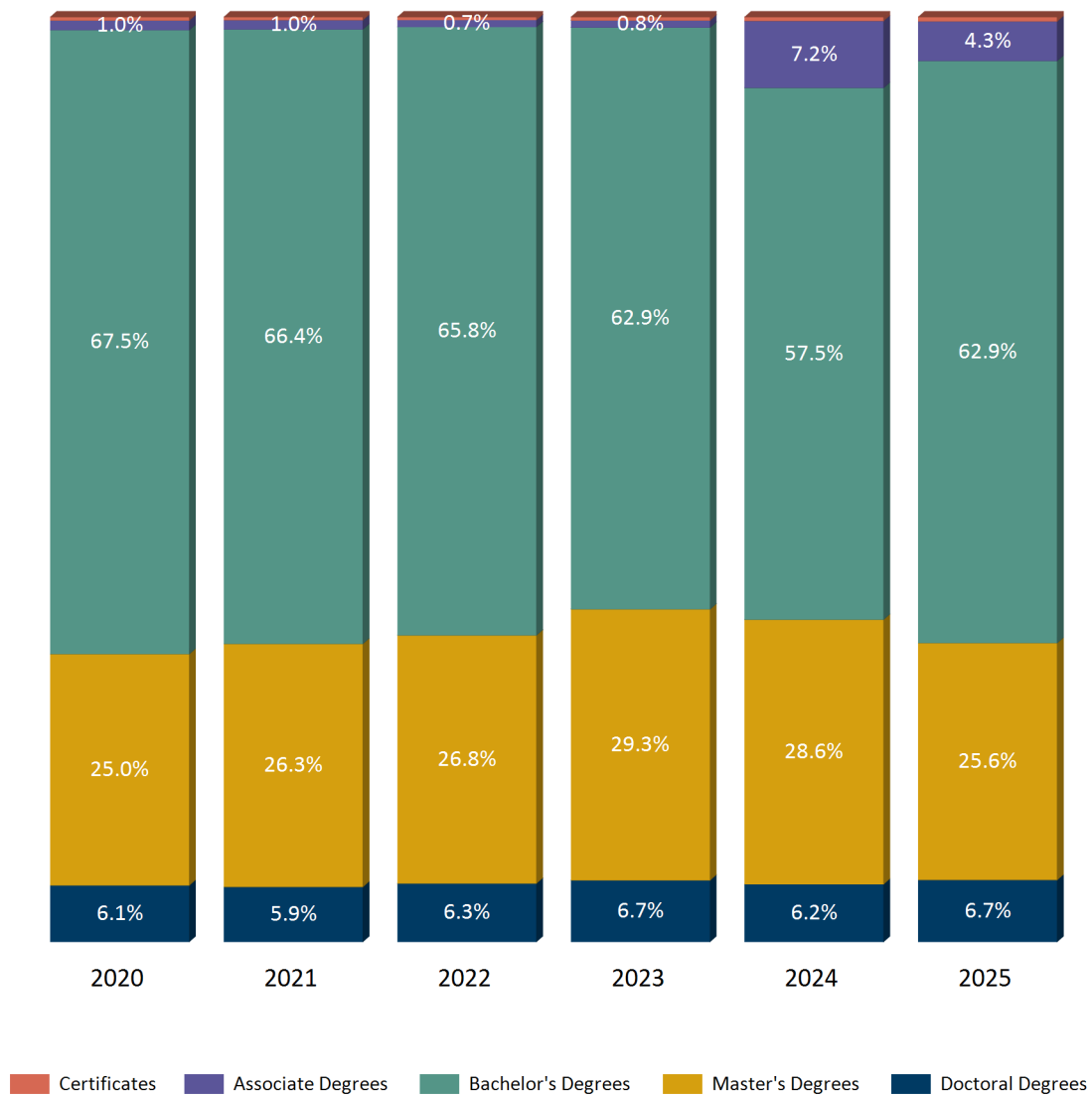
	AY 2020	AY 2021	AY 2022	AY 2023	AY 2024	AY 2025
Kansas High School Graduate Average	20.4	19.9	19.9	19.4	19.3	19.1

Source: Institution's ACT Class Profile Reports; State Average is collected from ACT State Report

Degrees and Certificates Conferred at State Universities by Type Academic Year 2020 - 2025

Table 3.6

Degrees/Certificates	AY 2020	AY 2021	AY 2022	AY 2023	AY 2024	AY 2025	% Change AY 20 - 25
Certificates Total	86	78	74	80	98	104	20.9%
Associate Degrees	236	231	169	171	1,684	938	297.5%
Bachelor's Degrees	15,465	15,509	14,987	13,924	13,387	13,823	-10.6%
Master's Degrees	5,731	6,135	6,112	6,489	6,661	5,627	-1.8%
Doctoral Degrees	1,401	1,387	1,439	1,473	1,452	1,469	4.9%
Degrees Total	22,833	23,262	22,707	22,057	23,184	21,857	-4.3%
Degrees & Certificates Total	22,919	23,340	22,781	22,137	23,282	21,961	-4.2%
Other Awards	879	1,060	1,651	1,823	2,003	2,227	153.4%

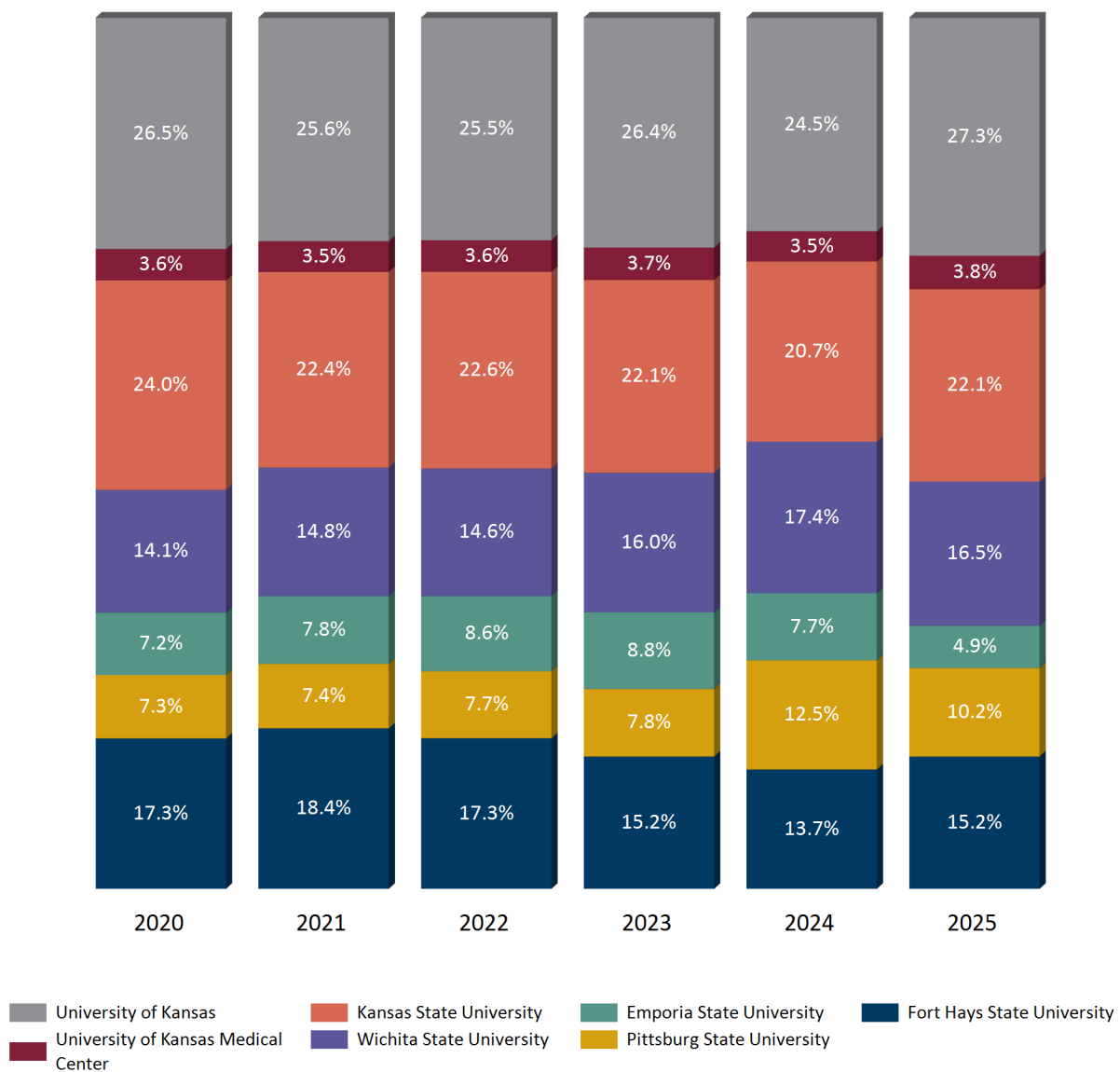


Source: KHEDS AY Collection

Degrees Conferred at State Universities by Institution Academic Year 2020 - 2025

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Institutions	AY 2020	AY 2021	AY 2022	AY 2023	AY 2024	AY 2025	% Change AY 20 - 25
University of Kansas	6,059	5,965	5,795	5,816	5,681	5,967	-1.5%
University of Kansas Medical Center	823	823	821	819	802	836	1.6%
Kansas State University	5,491	5,221	5,136	4,885	4,795	4,835	-11.9%
Wichita State University	3,222	3,435	3,318	3,537	4,040	3,616	12.2%
Emporia State University	1,634	1,811	1,963	1,938	1,784	1,062	-35.0%
Pittsburg State University	1,663	1,721	1,749	1,712	2,908	2,221	33.6%
Fort Hays State University	3,941	4,286	3,925	3,350	3,174	3,320	-15.8%
Degrees Total	22,833	23,262	22,707	22,057	23,184	21,857	-4.3%



Source: KHEDS AY Collection

**Graduation Rates of First-Time, Full-Time Freshmen
Entering Cohort Fall Year 2015 - 2020**

Table 3.7

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
University of Kansas						
4-Year Graduation Rate	49.7%	53.0%	53.5%	55.0%	55.4%	55.7%
Still Enrolled After 4 Years	17.7%	15.8%	17.1%	16.4%	17.1%	15.2%
5-Year Graduation Rate	62.9%	64.6%	65.8%	66.1%	67.6%	-
Still Enrolled After 5 Years	4.2%	3.5%	4.2%	4.3%	4.7%	-
6-Year Graduation Rate	65.8%	66.9%	68.6%	68.6%	-	-
Still Enrolled After 6 Years	1.4%	1.0%	1.5%	1.8%	-	-
8-Year Graduation Rate	67.2%	67.9%	-	-	-	-
Still Enrolled After 8 Years	0.3%	0.5%	-	-	-	-
Kansas State University						
4-Year Graduation Rate	41.4%	46.7%	46.9%	49.5%	51.1%	53.6%
Still Enrolled After 4 Years	29.1%	24.4%	27.1%	24.4%	22.1%	20.1%
5-Year Graduation Rate	64.5%	65.7%	67.2%	68.0%	68.5%	-
Still Enrolled After 5 Years	5.8%	4.7%	5.4%	4.8%	4.2%	-
6-Year Graduation Rate	68.4%	68.5%	70.4%	71.1%	-	-
Still Enrolled After 6 Years	1.9%	1.6%	1.9%	1.9%	-	-
8-Year Graduation Rate	69.7%	69.8%	-	-	-	-
Still Enrolled After 8 Years	0.4%	0.3%	-	-	-	-
Wichita State University						
4-Year Graduation Rate	24.7%	31.7%	31.2%	33.1%	36.1%	36.6%
Still Enrolled After 4 Years	29.8%	26.1%	25.7%	22.2%	21.4%	19.7%
5-Year Graduation Rate	41.2%	46.8%	47.9%	46.7%	48.4%	-
Still Enrolled After 5 Years	11.8%	10.2%	7.4%	8.2%	8.2%	-
6-Year Graduation Rate	47.8%	51.9%	51.5%	50.9%	-	-
Still Enrolled After 6 Years	4.8%	4.6%	4.1%	4.4%	-	-
8-Year Graduation Rate	51.1%	55.1%	-	-	-	-
Still Enrolled After 8 Years	2.2%	1.8%	-	-	-	-

Source: KHEDS Fall Census Collection; KHEDS AY Collection

**Graduation Rates of First-Time, Full-Time Freshmen
Entering Cohort Fall Year 2015 - 2020**

Table 3.7

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Emporia State University						
4-Year Graduation Rate	32.0%	36.0%	38.8%	40.8%	42.9%	42.2%
Still Enrolled After 4 Years	21.7%	18.1%	16.9%	18.3%	17.3%	13.9%
5-Year Graduation Rate	45.6%	49.6%	51.0%	54.9%	55.7%	-
Still Enrolled After 5 Years	5.6%	3.9%	4.2%	2.3%	3.0%	-
6-Year Graduation Rate	49.8%	52.1%	54.2%	56.2%	-	-
Still Enrolled After 6 Years	2.5%	1.7%	0.7%	0.9%	-	-
8-Year Graduation Rate	52.0%	53.3%	-	-	-	-
Still Enrolled After 8 Years	0.4%	0.8%	-	-	-	-
Pittsburg State University						
4-Year Graduation Rate	32.2%	35.7%	35.7%	38.0%	42.5%	47.0%
Still Enrolled After 4 Years	22.0%	21.1%	19.3%	16.8%	13.9%	12.3%
5-Year Graduation Rate	47.6%	50.9%	49.7%	50.1%	52.7%	-
Still Enrolled After 5 Years	5.9%	4.4%	5.2%	4.4%	3.4%	-
6-Year Graduation Rate	50.7%	54.0%	53.7%	52.6%	-	-
Still Enrolled After 6 Years	2.1%	1.7%	1.0%	1.4%	-	-
8-Year Graduation Rate	52.5%	55.2%	-	-	-	-
Still Enrolled After 8 Years	0.6%	0.3%	-	-	-	-
Fort Hays State University						
4-Year Graduation Rate	29.3%	31.1%	31.9%	32.5%	33.9%	34.7%
Still Enrolled After 4 Years	24.4%	22.6%	22.2%	20.8%	21.1%	20.0%
5-Year Graduation Rate	46.2%	45.6%	45.1%	45.2%	46.4%	-
Still Enrolled After 5 Years	7.9%	7.9%	7.3%	7.0%	7.1%	-
6-Year Graduation Rate	49.8%	50.2%	48.3%	48.2%	-	-
Still Enrolled After 6 Years	3.4%	3.3%	3.5%	3.6%	-	-
8-Year Graduation Rate	51.8%	52.3%	-	-	-	-
Still Enrolled After 8 Years	1.2%	1.2%	-	-	-	-

Source: KHEDS Fall Census Collection; KHEDS AY Collection

One-Year Retention Rate of First-Time, Full-Time Freshmen Fall 2019 - 2024

Table 3.8

Institution	Fall 2019	Fall 2020	Fall 2021	Fall 2022	Fall 2023	Fall 2024
University of Kansas						
Number of First-time Freshmen	4,058	3,738	4,045	4,379	5,163	5,274
Number Enrolled in Succeeding Year	3,476	3,167	3,425	3,727	4,464	4,611
Retention Rate	85.7%	84.7%	84.7%	85.1%	86.5%	87.4%
Kansas State University						
Number of First-time Freshmen	3,161	2,912	2,803	2,839	3,115	3,416
Number Enrolled in Succeeding Year	2,753	2,509	2,412	2,474	2,666	2,929
Retention Rate	87.1%	86.2%	86.1%	87.1%	85.6%	85.7%
Wichita State University						
Number of First-time Freshmen	1,602	1,496	1,716	1,743	1,707	1,740
Number Enrolled in Succeeding Year	1,213	1,075	1,184	1,235	1,254	1,248
Retention Rate	75.7%	71.9%	69.0%	70.9%	73.5%	71.7%
Emporia State University						
Number of First-time Freshmen	672	561	472	534	406	416
Number Enrolled in Succeeding Year	522	414	338	367	312	305
Retention Rate	77.7%	73.8%	71.6%	68.7%	76.8%	73.3%
Pittsburg State University						
Number of First-time Freshmen	865	790	801	837	871	881
Number Enrolled in Succeeding Year	640	596	600	650	677	683
Retention Rate	74.0%	75.4%	74.9%	77.7%	77.7%	77.5%
Fort Hays State University						
Number of First-time Freshmen	935	878	848	762	826	940
Number Enrolled in Succeeding Year	732	640	641	583	637	727
Retention Rate	78.3%	72.9%	75.6%	76.5%	77.1%	77.3%

Source: KHEDS Fall Census Collection

One-Year Retention Rate of First-Time, Full-Time Freshmen by ACT Score Table 3.81
Fall 2024 Cohort

							Subtotal		
							Over	- ACT	No ACT
		<= 12	13 - 16	17 - 22	23 - 26	27 - 31	31+	Scores	Score
									Total
University of Kansas									
First-time Freshmen		7	189	1,285	1,078	823	227	3,609	1,665
Number Enrolled		5	138	1,109	964	763	215	3,194	1,417
Retention Rate		71.4%	73.0%	86.3%	89.4%	92.7%	94.7%	88.5%	87.4%
Kansas State University									
First-time Freshmen		1	75	618	583	434	103	1,814	1,602
Number Enrolled		1	54	539	525	404	98	1,621	1,308
Retention Rate		100.0%	72.0%	87.2%	90.1%	93.1%	95.1%	89.4%	81.6%
Wichita State University									
First-time Freshmen		23	185	497	303	175	34	1,217	523
Number Enrolled		14	117	389	252	156	32	960	288
Retention Rate		60.9%	63.2%	78.3%	83.2%	89.1%	94.1%	78.9%	55.1%
Emporia State University									
First-time Freshmen			18	68	36	11	2	135	281
Number Enrolled			15	51	31	10	2	109	196
Retention Rate		NaN	83.3%	75.0%	86.1%	90.9%	100.0%	80.7%	69.8%
Pittsburg State University									
First-time Freshmen		9	113	262	120	57	10	571	310
Number Enrolled		6	96	209	111	54	7	483	200
Retention Rate		66.7%	85.0%	79.8%	92.5%	94.7%	70.0%	84.6%	64.5%
Fort Hays State University									
First-time Freshmen		6	116	400	169	70	12	773	167
Number Enrolled		4	74	320	150	63	10	621	106
Retention Rate		66.7%	63.8%	80.0%	88.8%	90.0%	83.3%	80.3%	63.5%

Source: KHEDS Fall Census Collection; KHEDS AY Collection

Undergraduate Transfers to State Universities by Institution Fall 2024

Table 3.9

Sending Institution	KU	KUMC	KSU	WSU	ESU	PSU	FHSU	Total
State Universities								
University of Kansas	0	0	24	43	2	11	14	94
Kansas State University	48	14	0	62	9	10	31	174
Wichita State University	25	1	35	0	7	4	17	89
Emporia State University	10	1	18	24	0	2	8	63
Pittsburg State University	18	0	7	13	2	0	8	48
Fort Hays State University	10	2	20	18	2	3	0	55
All State Universities	110	18	102	158	21	29	74	512
Washburn University	26	2	25	16	4	10	14	97
Community Colleges								
Allen Community College	9	0	23	22	23	16	17	110
Barton Community College	21	3	88	48	8	4	52	224
Butler Community College	36	12	55	327	33	19	49	531
Cloud County Community College	9	0	56	19	5	2	39	130
Coffeyville Community College	2	0	3	12	4	13	8	42
Colby Community College	1	0	18	10	2	0	47	78
Cowley Community College	7	2	14	100	15	7	30	175
Dodge City Community College	9	0	24	35	4	5	35	112
Fort Scott Community College	17	0	6	6	4	41	9	83
Garden City Community College	11	1	30	22	4	1	68	137
Highland Community College	11	1	49	12	16	0	17	106
Hutchinson Community College	28	10	52	130	12	13	66	311
Independence Community College	3	1	4	18	3	28	3	60
Johnson County Community College	425	26	121	44	44	23	35	718
Kansas City Kansas Community College	51	11	21	18	0	5	10	116
Labette Community College	5	0	2	15	1	58	13	94
Neosho County Community College	13	0	10	14	7	32	13	89
Pratt Community College	6	0	12	23	6	4	12	63
Seward County Community College	1	0	10	17	2	0	31	61
All Community Colleges	630	60	546	793	171	235	493	2,928

Source: KHEDS AY Collection

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Table 3.9

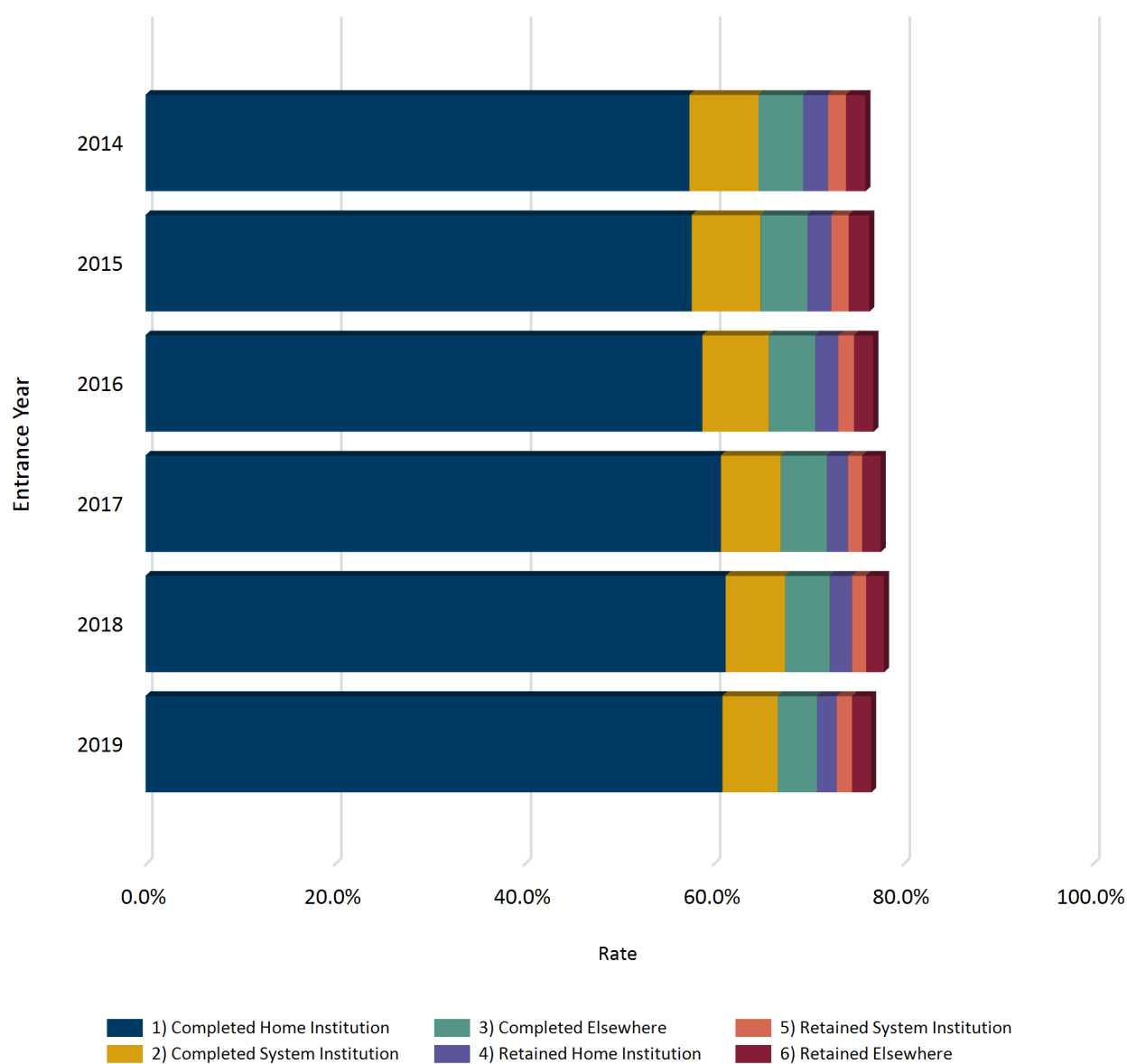
Sending Institution	KU	KUMC	KSU	WSU	ESU	PSU	FHSU	Total
Technical Colleges								
Flint Hills Technical College	5	0	0	0	14	0	0	19
Fort Hays Tech North Central	1	0	2	0	0	0	11	14
Fort Hays Tech Northwest	2	0	0	0	0	0	9	11
Manhattan Area Technical College	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Salina Area Technical College	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	3
Washburn Institute of Technology	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Wichita State University Campus of Applied Sciences and Technology	0	0	0	170	0	0	0	170
All Technical Colleges	12	1	2	170	15	0	20	220
Other Transfers	400	31	560	338	89	177	929	2,524
Systemwide Total	1,178	112	1,235	1,475	300	450	1,530	6,280

Source: KHEDS AY Collection

Six-Year Student Success Index Entrance Year 2014 - 2019

Table 3.10
State Universities

Entrance Year	1) Completed Home Institution	2) Completed System Institution	3) Completed Elsewhere	4) Retained Home Institution	5) Retained System Institution	6) Retained Elsewhere	Total Success Rate
2014	57.4%	7.3%	4.7%	2.6%	1.9%	2.0%	76.0%
2015	57.7%	7.3%	5.0%	2.5%	1.9%	2.2%	76.4%
2016	58.8%	7.0%	4.9%	2.4%	1.7%	2.0%	76.9%
2017	60.8%	6.3%	4.9%	2.2%	1.5%	1.9%	77.6%
2018	61.3%	6.3%	4.7%	2.3%	1.5%	1.9%	78.0%
2019	60.9%	5.8%	4.2%	2.1%	1.6%	2.0%	76.6%



Source: KHEDS AY Collection; National Student Clearinghouse

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Section III Notes

General Notes:

1. Definitions of terms in this section can be found in the Glossary.
2. State university student data can also be found on the Kansas Higher Education Statistics (KHEStats) web tool. The tool includes many tabs that provide data pertinent to this section, such as the “Enrollment”, “Credentials”, “Graduation”, and “Retention” tabs. KHEStats provides more robust historic data than the data books and can be accessed at stats.kansasregents.gov.

Table 3.3: Demographic Profiles of Students at State Universities

1. Totals include the six state universities, University of Kansas – Medical Center, and KSU – Veterinary Medicine Center.
2. The “% Change” column for Age and Race/Ethnicity does not reflect the change in percentage but instead reflects the percent change in the number of students in each category for the time period. This number more accurately reflects the change in student population.
3. Prior to AY 2022, Fort Hays State University reported their China campus students as Non-Resident Aliens. For AY 2022, they incorrectly reported their China campus students in the Asian and Unknown categories. After reviewing federal guidance, FHSU provided corrected AY 2022 numbers for the state university data book. Starting with AY 2022 in the 2023 State University Data Book, China campus students are now correctly reported in the Unknown category. Data for prior years has not yet been corrected.

Table 3.5: Average ACT Composite Scores Among Entering Freshmen

1. ACT definition of entering freshmen differs slightly from that used by institutions. Therefore, average ACT scores reported herein may differ slightly from averages reported by state universities. The ACT scores include both resident and non-resident entering freshmen.

Table 3.6: Degrees and Certificates Conferred at State Universities by Type

1. Certificates that do not lead to an industry-recognized credential are included under the “Other Awards” category. Certificates presented in Table 3.6 are categorized to reflect this new system of classification.
2. In Academic Year 2021, the University of Kansas had 13 awards from University of Kansas Medical Center programs. These awards were not initially included in the publication of the 2022 State University Data Book, but the data book has been updated, and these awards are now included in the “Other Awards” category.
3. In Academic Year 2022, Fort Hays State University submitted erroneous completion data. Upon request, the university provided corrected completion counts for each degree type. The corrected data was provided after publication for the 2023 State University Data Book, and for that reason Table 3.6 had not initially been updated to reflect these new counts. The corrected data for Academic Year 2022 has been published starting with the 2024 State University Data Book and will not match KHEStats.

Table 3.6a: Degrees Conferred at State Universities by Institution

1. See notes for Table 3.6.

Table 3.7: Graduation Rates of First-Time, Full-Time Freshman

1. This table includes undergraduate students who enter the Kansas public postsecondary system in the fall as first-time entering, full-time, degree-seeking students and shows the time it takes for the students to graduate from a Kansas public postsecondary institution.
2. Graduation rates are reported in 100 percent time, 125 percent time, 150 percent time and 200 percent time. The time can refer to four years, five years, six years and eight years for each of the rates for universities based upon 120 hours of completed coursework.
3. To the extent possible, IPEDS definitions are used for calculating graduation rates from KHEDS. A cohort of first-time, full-time degree-seeking students enrolled in the fall semester is used as the denominator. Of the cohort, those who graduate are used as the numerator.
4. KBOR does not track cohort exclusions; thus exclusions, as allowed by IPEDS, are not removed.

5. Prior to the 2023 State University Data Book, the data for this section was sourced from an institution-submitted survey. Starting in 2023 and moving forward, this section will be sourced from the KHEDS AY and Fall Census collections, to better align with the data presented in KHEStats.
6. The graduation rates for the University of Kansas cohort also include students who may have started as a first-time, full-time, degree seeking student at the University of Kansas and later attended or graduated from the University of Kansas Medical Center.
7. Starting with the 2025 State University Data Book, this table has been expanded to show six years of historic data instead of just the most current year's data.

Table 3.8: One Year Retention Rate of First-Time, Full-Time Freshmen

1. This table provides information on undergraduate students who enter the Kansas public postsecondary system in the fall as first-time entering, full-time, degree-seeking students who were enrolled (retained) in the Kansas public postsecondary system the following fall semester in which they first entered the system.
2. To the extent possible, IPEDS definitions are used for calculating retention rates from KHEDS. A cohort of first-time, full-time degree-seeking students enrolled in the fall semester is used as the denominator. Of the cohort, those who retain for the subsequent fall are used as the numerator.
3. KBOR does not track cohort exclusions; thus exclusions, as allowed by IPEDS, are not removed.
4. Prior to the 2023 State University Data Book, the data for this section was sourced from an institution-submitted survey. Starting in 2023 and moving forward, this section will be sourced from the KHEDS Fall Census collection, in an effort to better align with the data presented in KHEStats.
5. The retention rates for the University of Kansas cohort also include students who may have started as a first-time, full-time, degree seeking student at the University of Kansas and later attended or graduated from the University of Kansas Medical Center.
6. Due to data availability, prior data books reported cohort years with a one year lag. Beginning with the 2026 data book, the most recent data available is reported to align with other sources.

Table 3.81: One-Year Retention Rate of First-Time, Full-Time Freshmen by ACT Score

1. See notes for Table 3.8.

Table 3.9: Undergraduate Transfers to State Universities by Institution

1. Prior to the 2020 State University Data Book, this table used data from the Kansas Higher Education Enrollment Report (KHEER). The KHEER collection was discontinued in 2019 for public institutions and going forward, data from the KHEDS AY collection will be used to complete this table. As part of the data source change, this table has been expanded to include every Kansas public, postsecondary institution and will not match previously published data books.
2. Includes transfers to Kansas State University Salina.
3. Sector totals represent unduplicated student counts and may not match the sum of individual institutions.

Table 3.10: Six-Year Student Success Index

1. The data may have changed slightly for prior years due to the collection of additional data which improves the quality of data. Due to this slight adjustment in data, this table may not match exactly what was published in prior year data books.
2. More detail on the purpose and methodology of the Student Success Index can be found in the Glossary section.