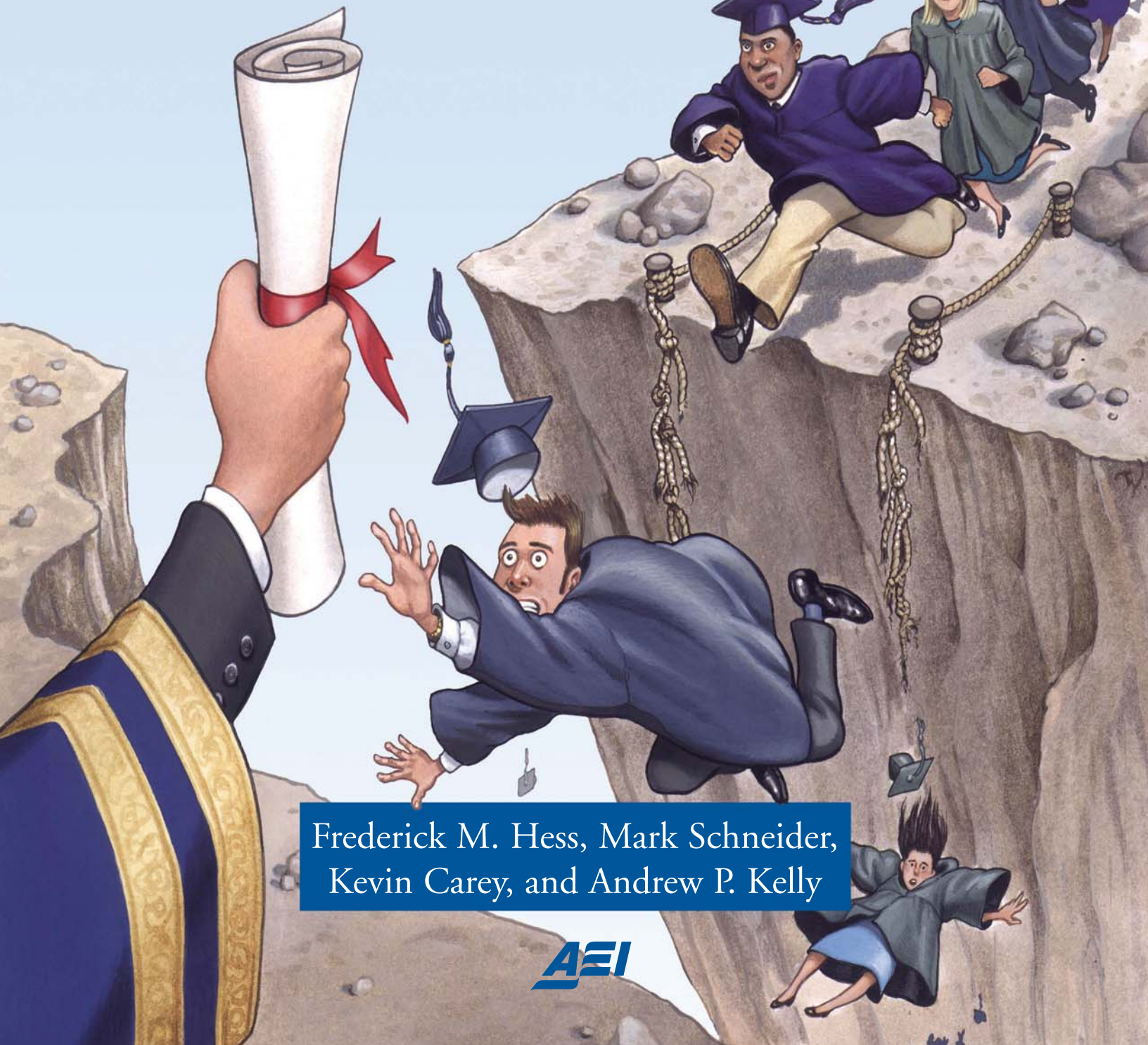


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## Executive Summary

In the fall of 2001, nearly 1.2 million freshmen began college at a four-year institution of higher education somewhere in the United States. Nearly all of them expected to earn a bachelor's degree. As a rule, college students do not pack their belongings into the back of a minivan in early September wondering *if* they will get a diploma—only *when*.

For many students, however, that confidence was misplaced. At a time when college degrees are valuable—with employers paying a premium for college graduates—fewer than 60 percent of new students graduated from four-year colleges within six years. At many institutions, graduation rates are far worse. Graduation rates may be of limited import to students attending the couple hundred elite, specialized institutions that dominate the popular imagination, but there are vast disparities—even *among schools educating similar students*—at the less selective institutions that educate the bulk of America's college students. At a time when President Barack Obama is proposing vast new investments to promote college attendance and completion, and has announced an intention to see the United States regain leadership in such tallies, these results take on heightened significance.

This report documents the dramatic variation in graduation rates across more than 1,300 of the nation's colleges and universities, even between those with similar admissions criteria and students. Using official U.S. Department of Education graduation rates, this report identifies the top and bottom performers among institutions that have similar levels of admissions selectivity, as reported in the widely used *Barron's Profiles of American Colleges*. Though completion rates increase as one moves up the selectivity scale, we show that within each category of selectivity,

there are large differences between the schools that graduate most students and those that graduate few. While student motivation, intent, and ability matter greatly when it comes to college completion, our analysis suggests that the practices of higher education institutions matter, too.

The institutions covered in this report run the gamut from large, public research universities to small, private liberal arts colleges; from highly selective, world-famous institutions to regional, open admissions ones. America's college graduation rate crisis is not happening at the handful of institutions that admit only a few of their applicants and graduate most—it is happening at a large swath of institutions that admit many but graduate few.

We do not argue that high graduation rates are invariably a good sign or low graduation rates necessarily a bad one. After all, an easy way to pad graduation rates is to drop standards and hand a diploma to every student who walks through the door. And we do not want to suggest that modest differences in graduation rates should be overemphasized—that is why we focus on the extremes.

However, graduation rates as calculated here do convey important information—information that should be readily available to students selecting a school, parents investing in their child's education, and policymakers and taxpayers who finance student aid and public institutions. We believe that the graduation rate measure included here should be just the beginning of a deeper inquiry into college success—one driven by more accurate measures broadly defined: in future earnings, in acquiring knowledge, in workplace success, and ultimately in becoming the kind of citizens who can contribute to the stability and prosperity of our society.



## Introduction

In the fall of 2001, nearly 1.2 million freshmen began college at a four-year institution of higher education somewhere in the United States. Nearly all of them, it is safe to say, expected to earn a bachelor's degree. As a rule, college students do not pack their belongings into the back of a minivan in early September wondering *if* they will get a diploma—only *when*.

Yet, far too often, that initial confidence is misplaced. Six years after the first class of the new millennium left for college, many of those same students were absent from commencement ceremonies and would never stroll across the graduation stage—not because they had already finished by the spring of 2007 but because they were still struggling to earn enough credits, or they had dropped out of college altogether, or they had transferred and were lost according to the way we count graduation rates.

In a time when college degrees are valuable—when employers pay a premium to college graduates and when growing unemployment disproportionately affects workers without a degree—on average, four-year colleges graduate fewer than 60 percent of their freshmen within six years. At many institutions, graduation rates are far worse.

There are famous, perhaps apocryphal, stories of deans addressing incoming classes in the nation's best universities, in which students are told to look to the left of them and then to the right. The punch line is that one of those people will not be there at graduation time. As our analysis of graduation rates shows, at the nation's top universities, this is not the case—almost everyone sitting in the welcoming ceremony will graduate. In some institutions, however, the dean could say, “Look to the right of you, look to the left, look in front of you, look in back of you, look any which way you want, because almost no one you see, including you, will graduate from here.”

The University of Louisville, for example, which enrolls over seventeen thousand undergraduates, has a 44 percent six-year graduation rate. At the University of Memphis, the rate is 34 percent. The University of Alaska, Fairbanks, graduates only 25 percent of students within six years. Graduation rates below 50, 40, and even 30 percent are distressingly easy to find, even when the measure is the percentage of students graduating within *six years*.

In his first speech to Congress in late February, President Obama emphasized that low graduation rates are a threat to America's international competitiveness and challenged the nation's colleges and universities to improve. “By 2020,” he promised, “America will once again have the highest proportion of college graduates in the world.” Weeks later, the president's first budget proposal included an unprecedented \$2.5 billion in new funding to increase college completion. The administration recognizes the urgent need to tackle the graduation crisis, but the depth and breadth of that crisis are breathtaking.

When confronted with rock-bottom graduation numbers, many colleges point to their academic mission or blame students as culprits, citing poor high school preparation and the need to enroll a diverse array of undergraduates, not all of whom are equally ready to succeed. It is certainly true that graduation rates should be considered in context. Harvard's 97 percent four-year graduation rate may not be all that impressive—it is easy to grant diplomas when you enroll only students who are most likely to succeed.

But a closer analysis of graduation rates reveals wide variance among institutions that have similar admissions standards and admit students *with similar track records and test scores*.<sup>1</sup>

Using official graduation rates submitted to the U.S. Department of Education, this report identifies the top and bottom performers among institutions that have similar levels of admissions selectivity, as reported in the widely used *Barron's Profiles of American Colleges*.<sup>2</sup> We show that within each category of selectivity, there are large differences between the schools that graduate most students and those that graduate few. While student motivation, intent, and ability matter greatly, our analysis suggests that the practices of higher education institutions matter, too.

Colleges also point to the limitations of the graduation rate measure; some students graduate after more than six years, and some graduate after transferring. This is true, but these limitations apply to all colleges within each selectivity group, usually (although not always<sup>3</sup>) depressing graduation rates in a similar way. When two colleges that enroll similar students have a graduation rate gap of twenty or thirty percentage points or more, it is fair to ask why. More important, students, parents, guidance counselors, and taxpayers (who foot the bill for many student costs) all deserve to know which schools graduate most of their students and which graduate only a few.

The institutions covered in this report run the gamut from large, public research universities to small, private liberal arts colleges; from highly selective, world-famous institutions to regional, open admissions ones. America's college graduation rate crisis is not happening at the handful of institutions that admit only a few of their applicants and graduate most—it is happening at a large swath of institutions that admit many but graduate few. Colleges that can pick and choose among applicants nearly always have the highest graduation rates. Among less selective institutions, by contrast, the differences in graduation rates are often large. John Carroll University in Cleveland, Ohio, admits 86 percent of applicants and graduates 74 percent within six years. Chicago State University admits a smaller percentage of applicants (57 percent) but graduates only 16 percent. Of course, the large majority of college students enroll at less selective institutions.

A host of factors beyond selectivity affect graduation rates—funding levels, institutional mission,

student demographics, and other factors play a part. This complexity is precisely why outcomes-based analyses of college success are so important.

For too long, institutional status has been driven by a combination of inputs and long-established, vaguely grounded academic reputations. Colleges that spend (and charge) the most money and enroll high-quality students are assumed to be exemplary. Everyone just “knows” that these institutions are first-rate. This not only deprives many other institutions from being recognized for their successes; it also gives far too many colleges and universities a free pass on being held accountable for the extent to which their students learn and earn degrees.

We are not suggesting that high graduation rates are invariably a good sign or low graduation rates necessarily a bad one. After all, an easy way to pad graduation rates is to drop standards and hand a diploma to every student who walks through the door. The high graduation rates at Harvard, Notre Dame, Princeton, or Stanford may not say as much about those institutions as they do about the students who attend them. The results reported here should be read with such cautions. In particular, we do not want to suggest that modest differences in graduation rates should be overemphasized—that is why we focus on the extremes.

We believe that the graduation rate measure included here should be just the beginning of a deeper inquiry into college success—one driven by more accurate measures broadly defined: in future earnings, in acquiring knowledge, in succeeding in the workplace, and ultimately in becoming the kind of citizens on which the stability and prosperity of our society rest. Colleges play a large role in shaping those outcomes, for good or ill—more so, perhaps, than is often believed.

## Methods

We want to repeat our cautionary note: colleges and universities have many goals and serve a wide range of populations. Most students, however, attend college to earn a degree—and every institution in this

analysis is recognized as a bachelor's degree-granting school. While more holistic measures or value-added metrics may be desirable, any set of indicators must include a measure of graduation rates.

In our analysis, we use the most widely known and, indeed, legislatively defined graduation rate. In 1990, reflecting a growing interest in student outcomes, Congress passed the Student Right-to-Know (SRK) and Campus Security Act (Public Law 101-542) as an amendment to the reauthorization of the 1965 Higher Education Act. The SRK law requires that all colleges report graduation rates to the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) for their students to receive federal financial aid.<sup>4</sup> The SRK graduation rate is defined as the percentage of that cohort of full-time beginning students that graduate in 150 percent of the "expected" time that it should take to complete a degree. For a bachelor's degree, which traditionally has taken four years, the SRK graduation rate is therefore based on graduation within six years.

Because it does not include students who do not fit the definition of full-time, first-time, degree-seeking students, this official graduation rate covers only about a quarter of full-time students enrolled in American higher education. It is also an "institutional graduation rate" rather than a "total" graduation rate. This is because students who do not graduate from the school at which they started may eventually graduate from another college or university. The *Beginning Postsecondary Students Longitudinal Study: 1996–2001*, conducted by NCES, shows that many students switch institutions and then graduate, often taking longer than the six-year cutoff. This survey suggests that the "individual graduation rate" is about 8 percent higher than the average institutional graduation rate.<sup>5</sup>

Despite its limitations, the SRK graduation rate is *the only common metric available* for comparing graduation rates across the nation's array of institutions of higher learning. Moreover, this measurement reflects a fundamentally important aspect of institutional performance.

Given the diversity in the qualifications and backgrounds of students admitted to different types of colleges and universities, it would be unfair to

compare the graduation rates of the most selective schools in the nation with open admissions schools, at which many students have to meet a complex set of financial and academic challenges that can interfere with their educational progress. In our analysis, we use the well-known *Barron's* selectivity index to divide colleges and universities into six levels of selectivity, recognizing the differences in the types of students who attend various institutions.

Most of the data we report come from official government statistics available through the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) housed at NCES.<sup>6</sup> The most recent graduation data in IPEDS are from the 2001 entering class. The SRK graduation rate for that class is calculated six years later and reported in the 2007 IPEDS. In that year, there were over 2,000 colleges and universities that were identified as granting bachelor's degrees. Of these, 1,853 reported graduation rates for the incoming class of 2001.<sup>7</sup> The other data we report, such as admissions rates, tuition, and Carnegie classification (bachelor's, master's associates, research, special, etc.), are also drawn from the 2007 IPEDS.

To account for differences in the selectivity of colleges and universities, we used *Barron's* selectivity rankings. Specifically, we coded schools into six categories based on their selectivity as reported by *Barron's*. Of the 1,853 institutions with graduation rate data from IPEDS, 1,385 were ranked in *Barron's*—and this is the set of schools we used.<sup>8</sup> Because families are making school selections during the 2008–2009 academic year, we used the most recent selectivity data.

In classifying schools, *Barron's* takes into account a variety of factors: SAT/ACT scores, the percentages of 2007–2008 freshmen who ranked in the upper one-fifth and upper two-fifths of their high school graduating classes, the minimum class rank and grade point average required for admission (if any), and the percentage of applicants to the 2007–2008 freshman class who were accepted. The six *Barron's* selectivity categories, which we used as a basis for comparing similar institutions, are as follows:

- “Noncompetitive” colleges generally require only evidence of graduation from an accredited high school (although they may also require completion of a certain number of high school units).
- “Less competitive” colleges have median freshman test scores that are generally below 500 on the SAT and below 21 on the ACT; require entrance examinations but do not report median scores; admit students with average high school grades below C who rank in the top 65 percent of their graduating class; and usually admit 85 percent or more of their applicants.
- “Competitive” colleges generally have median freshman test scores between 500 and 572 on the SAT and between 21 and 23 on the ACT; require minimum high school grades that range from C to B–; admit students in the top 50–65 percent of their high school graduating class; and accept between 75 and 85 percent of their applicants.
- “Very competitive” colleges typically admit students with high school grade averages no lower than B– and who rank in the top 35–50 percent of their graduating class; have median freshman test scores ranging from 573 to 619 on the SAT and from 24 to 26 on the ACT; and admit between one-half and three-quarters of their applicants.
- “Highly competitive” colleges generally admit students with high school grade averages of B to B+ and accept most students from the top 20–35 percent of their high school class; have median freshman test scores ranging from 620 to 654 on the SAT and 27 or 28 on the ACT; and accept between one-third and one-half of their applicants.
- “Most competitive” colleges usually require high school rank in the top 10–20 percent and high school grade averages of B+ to A; have median freshman test scores between 655 and 800 on the SAT and 29 on the ACT; and typically admit fewer than one-third of applicants.

While America’s most competitive and highly competitive institutions often dominate popular discussions about quality, the vast majority of the nation’s colleges and universities are less selective, and most students attend these schools. As figure 1 shows, just under 14 percent of the institutions in our IPEDS sample are found in the top two selectivity categories. More than 45 percent of institutions in our sample are competitive, accepting more than three-quarters of applicants, and approximately two-thirds are in the bottom three categories. Institutions in the two most competitive categories enroll 21 percent of four-year students, while those that accept more than half of their applicants enroll the remaining 79 percent of all full-time students at four-year colleges and universities. The appeal of most institutions is rooted less in boutique academic programs or nationally renowned scholarship but in the promise that graduates will earn a diploma that will benefit them professionally and financially.

#### **A Note on Transfers**

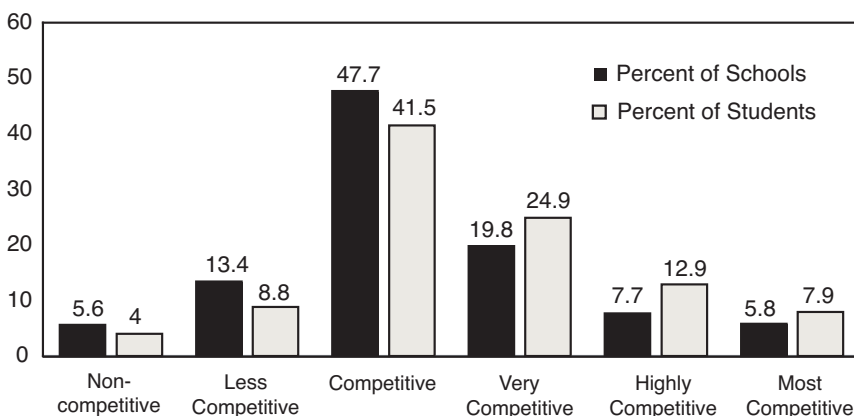
Before moving on to the general findings, we should discuss transfer rates and the potential problems they pose for an analysis of graduation rates. Under government rules, students who transfer from their first institution and graduate elsewhere are counted as nongraduates by the first institution. For institutions that have a mission to provide transfer opportunities, this can significantly depress graduation rates. NCES does allow such institutions to report the percentage of students who transfer. Only 491 of the 1,385 institutions analyzed here did so, however, and many reported relatively few transfer students.

Not surprisingly, transfers are most frequent among schools in the least competitive categories. For those institutions that fall in the bottom three selectivity categories, the average transfer rate ranges from 24 percent (competitive) to 29 percent (noncompetitive). For schools in the three highest selectivity categories, the average rate drops from 20 percent for very competitive institutions to 17 percent for highly competitive ones and 7 percent for the most competitive ones.

These differences mirror the decline in graduation rates as you move down in selectivity, but what about differences in transfer rates *within* selectivity categories? The correlation between transfer rates and graduation rates is modestly negative, suggesting that higher transfer rates depress graduation rates; however, the relationship is relatively weak within the four lowest selectivity categories and is weakest among the least selective schools, where transfers are most prevalent. The correlation ranges from  $-0.23$  (competitive) to  $-0.4$  (noncompetitive) across the bottom four selectivity categories. In contrast, among the highly competitive and most competitive schools, the correlation is  $-0.7$ . Transfers are infrequent across these schools, though, and they also have consistently high graduation rates. In general, differences in the relationship between transfer and graduation rates of schools within the same selectivity category are not especially large.

Table A3 in the appendix summarizes the dearth of transfer data and how transfer rates differ across institutions within the same category that have the

FIGURE 1  
PERCENTAGE OF SCHOOLS AND ENROLLED STUDENTS  
BY SELECTIVITY CATEGORY



SOURCE: Authors' calculations.

highest and lowest graduation rates. Almost half of noncompetitive schools report transfer data, but in the other categories, only about one-third of schools do. In general, reported transfer rates are not wildly different across schools within the same category that are ranked in the bottom and top thirds of the graduation rate distribution. These differences in transfer rates between the top and bottom schools in each selectivity category are typically about five to ten percentage points. The obvious outlier is the highly competitive category, in which the disparity between the top and bottom thirds is large, but this gap is based on a small number of schools.

These data, we believe, suggest that transfers can account for only a small portion of the difference between schools with the best and worst graduation rates in a given selectivity category. Transfers are a complicating factor, but their impact ought not to be exaggerated.

## National Findings

The following discussion reviews the institutions with the highest and lowest official graduation rates and reveals the large differences that exist among these schools for each of the six *Barron's* classifications. These comparisons make clear the gulf in graduation rates even among institutions that accept students with similar academic credentials.

Because the vast majority of students and families weighing college decisions are focused on geographically proximate institutions, we also cluster institutions by region in reporting graduation rates (as defined by *U.S. News & World Report*).<sup>9</sup> Below, readers will also find institutions with the top and bottom graduation rates for each of the *Barron's* categories reported within four broad regions: the North, South, Midwest, and West. We then discuss graduation rates for Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) and for Institutions of High Hispanic Enrollment (IHHEs)<sup>10</sup> (see table A4 in the appendix for full results).

Figure 2 presents the average graduation rates for institutions grouped by selectivity and the range in graduation rates (the vertical lines) for each category. It shows that graduation rates increase with competitiveness: open admissions institutions graduate the lowest percentage of students, and highly selective colleges and universities graduate the highest. This has to do as much with the student bodies at these institutions as with their academic programs, and it illustrates why it is essential to focus on apples-to-apples comparisons. In addition, the figure reveals that the gaps between the highest and lowest graduation rates in a category are large for the bottom four selectivity categories and that these ranges shrink as you move up in selectivity. These data suggest that even schools within the same selectivity category can have drastically different

records of success and that this is especially true for those institutions that serve the majority of the nation's students.

Noncompetitive institutions graduate, on average, 35 percent of their students, while the most competitive institutions graduate 88 percent. Less competitive and competitive schools do better than noncompetitive institutions, but the average graduation rate in these categories is less than 50 percent. There is considerable improvement as we move from the competitive to the very competitive categories, with very competitive institutions graduating 62 percent of their students. Highly competitive schools graduate 75 percent of their students, a graduation rate that lags behind that of most competitive schools.

Perhaps more important—and certainly more relevant for students and families—are the differences in graduation rates among schools *within* the same selectivity categories. This is especially true for noncompetitive and less competitive institutions. Take, for instance, Heritage University and Walla Walla University, both in Washington. On the surface, the schools look similar—both are noncompetitive, private master's degree-granting colleges located in the same state. However, Walla Walla graduates 53 percent of its students, while Heritage graduates only 17 percent. Our analysis reveals that such substantial differences between similar schools are quite common.

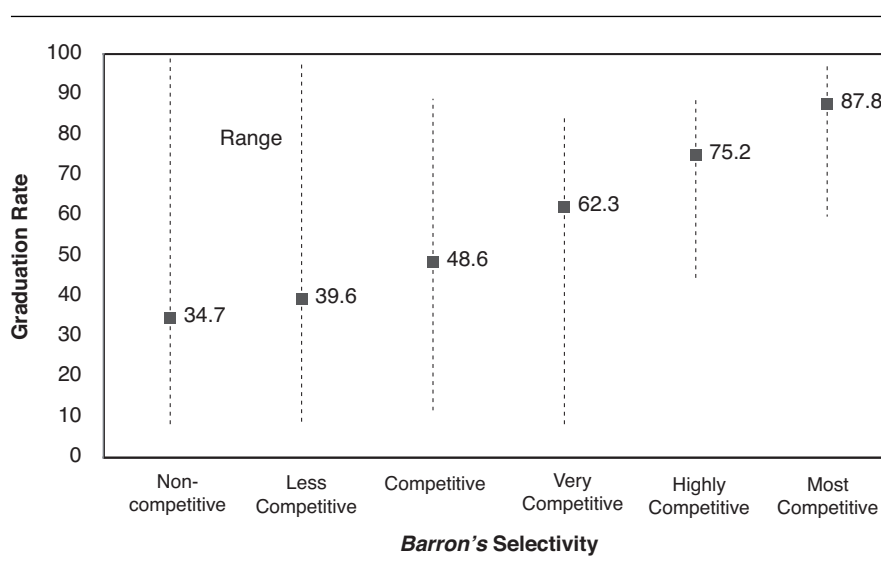
To illustrate the differences within selectivity categories, we sorted the schools according to their graduation rates and then ranked the top and bottom ten institutions in each category (see table 2 beginning on page 10). To illustrate that the variation in graduation rates is not simply a function of outliers in the bottom and top ten, we then examined the average graduation rate for schools in the

top and bottom thirds of the rankings for each category (see table 1).

In the noncompetitive category, the range in graduation rates spans ninety-two percentage points, from Southern University, New Orleans, at 8 percent to Arkansas Baptist College at 100 percent. As table 1 shows, noncompetitive schools ranked in the bottom third have an average graduation rate of just 20 percent, with institutions like Southern University, New Orleans; Carlos Albizu University, Miami; and American Intercontinental University in Georgia failing to graduate

over 85 percent of their students. In contrast, the twenty-six noncompetitive schools in the top third have an average graduation rate of 52 percent. In other words, the difference between an average school from the high graduation pool and one from the low graduation pool is thirty-two percentage points—students who attend schools in the top third are more than twice as likely to earn a diploma

FIGURE 2  
AVERAGE SIX-YEAR GRADUATION RATE AND RANGE  
BY SELECTIVITY CATEGORY



SOURCE: Authors' calculations.

within six years than students enrolled in the bottom third. Institutions like Thomas University in Georgia (70 percent), Concordia College in Alabama (97 percent), and Arkansas Baptist (100 percent) are excelling relative to many of their peer institutions.

In the less competitive category, the range in graduation rates spans eighty-nine percentage  
*(continued on page 16)*

TABLE 1  
VARIATION IN AVERAGE GRADUATION RATES WITHIN SELECTIVITY CATEGORIES

Selectivity Category	Bottom Third (%)	Top Third (%)	Difference (in percentage points)
Noncompetitive N: 26	20	52	32
Less Competitive N: 62	26	54	28
Competitive N: 220	35	62	27
Very Competitive N: 92	49	74	25
Highly Competitive N: 36	65	84	19
Most Competitive N: 27	81	94	13

NOTE: N=number of schools per third in each selectivity category.

TABLE 2  
TOP AND BOTTOM TEN SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE ACCORDING TO SELECTIVITY CATEGORY

<b>Noncompetitive</b>							
<b>BOTTOM TEN SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE</b>							
	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Southern University at New Orleans	LA	8	2,970	2,184	Master's	Public
T-2	Carlos Albizu University, Miami Campus	FL	10	11,724	851	Special	Private
T-2	Jarvis Christian College	TX	10	8,208	679	Baccalaureate	Private
4	Miles College	AL	11	7,181	1,186	Baccalaureate	Private
5	American InterContinental University	GA	13	16,736	695	Master's	Private
6	National American University, Rapid City	SD	15	12,482	938	Baccalaureate	Private
7	University of Houston, Downtown	TX	16	4,022	8,370	Baccalaureate	Public
8	Heritage University	WA	17	9,055	827	Master's	Private
T-9	Bellevue University	NE	18	5,445	6,137	Master's	Private
T-9	Mountain State University	WV	18	6,480	4,134	Master's	Private

<b>TOP TEN SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE</b>							
	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Arkansas Baptist College	AR	100	5,500	592	Baccalaureate	Private
2	Concordia College, Selma	AL	97	6,826	502	Baccalaureate	Private
3	Thomas University	GA	70	10,570	540	Baccalaureate	Private
4	Philadelphia Biblical University, Langhorne	PA	62	16,730	1,135	Master's	Private
T-5	Bryn Athyn College of the New Church	PA	58	10,114	134	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5	Kansas State University	KS	58	6,235	20,184	Research	Public
T-5	Notre Dame de Namur University	CA	58	24,650	1,024	Master's	Private
8	Southern Nazarene University	OK	54	15,924	2,055	Master's	Private
T-9	University of Wisconsin, Platteville	WI	53	5,747	6,333	Master's	Public
T-9	Walla Walla University	WA	53	21,114	1,753	Master's	Private

(table 2, continued)

**Less Competitive****BOTTOM TEN SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Edward Waters College	FL	9	9,176	772	Baccalaureate	Private
2	National-Louis University	IL	12	17,725	4,607	Master's	Private
3	South University, Savannah	GA	13	16,760	3,075	Baccalaureate	Private
4	University of Alaska, Southeast	AK	16	4,445	1,667	Master's	Public
T-5	Colorado Technical University	CO	17	10,095	410	Master's	Private
T-5	Indiana University, East	IN	17	5,292	1,666	Baccalaureate	Public
7	Huston-Tillotson University	TX	18	10,040	714	Baccalaureate	Private
T-8	Sul Ross State University	TX	19	3,942	1,887	Master's	Public
T-8	University of the District of Columbia	DC	19	3,140	3,689	Master's	Public
T-8	Wiley College	TX	19	9,400	852	Baccalaureate	Private

**TOP TEN SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Atlantic Union College	MA	98	16,080	484	Baccalaureate	Private
2	Paul Quinn College	TX	93	9,170	515	Baccalaureate	Private
3	Cleary University	MI	83	14,160	570	Special	Private
4	Saint Bonaventure University	NY	71	23,605	2,241	Master's	Private
5	College of Saint Elizabeth	NJ	67	22,547	1,350	Master's	Private
6	Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania	PA	65	6,849	7,031	Master's	Public
7	Woodbury College	VT	64	16,050	87	Baccalaureate	Private
T-8	Regis College	MA	60	25,990	1,133	Master's	Private
T-8	University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio	TX	60	3,456	2,557	Special	Public
10	University of Pittsburgh, Johnstown	PA	59	11,332	3,011	Baccalaureate	Public

(table 2, continued)

**Competitive****BOTTOM TEN SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE**

Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
T-1 Texas Southern University	TX	12	5,428	8,228	Master's	Public
T-1 Voorhees College	SC	12	7,460	568	Baccalaureate	Private
3 Chicago State University	IL	16	7,730	4,895	Master's	Public
T-4 Coppin State University	MD	19	4,980	3,166	Master's	Public
T-4 Northeastern Illinois University	IL	19	5,641	8,739	Master's	Public
T-4 Crichton College	TN	19	11,136	751	Baccalaureate	Private
T-7 Central State University	OH	21	5,294	1,900	Baccalaureate	Public
T-7 Long Island University, Brooklyn Campus	NY	21	26,102	6,828	Master's	Private
T-7 University of West Alabama	AL	21	4,728	2,950	Master's	Public
T-10 Capitol College	MD	22	19,356	436	Special	Private
T-10 Le Moyne-Owen College	TN	22	10,298	537	Baccalaureate	Private
T-10 University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma	OK	22	3,240	1,084	Baccalaureate	Public

**TOP TEN SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE**

Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1 College of Our Lady of the Elms	MA	89	23,380	994	Baccalaureate	Private
2 Yeshiva University	NY	84	30,560	5,912	Research	Private
3 Merrimack College	MA	78	27,040	1,901	Baccalaureate	Private
4 Gwynedd Mercy College	PA	77	21,025	1,933	Master's	Private
T-5 Bethel University	MN	76	24,510	3,655	Master's	Private
T-5 Saint Joseph's College, Main Campus	NY	76	14,520	922	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5 Westminster College	PA	76	25,530	1,376	Baccalaureate	Private
T-8 American Jewish University	CA	75	21,300	217	Baccalaureate	Private
T-8 Moravian College and Moravian Theological Seminary	PA	75	28,388	1,770	Baccalaureate	Private
T-10 John Carroll University	OH	74	26,434	3,397	Master's	Private
T-10 La Salle University	PA	74	29,400	4,495	Master's	Private
T-10 Whitworth University	WA	74	25,692	2,302	Master's	Private

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## Very Competitive

### BOTTOM TEN SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Colorado Christian University	CO	8	19,000	1,504	Master's	Private
2	Southern Polytechnic State University	GA	23	3,872	3,517	Master's	Public
3	Touro College	NY	25	13,500	12,696	Master's	Private
4	Sierra Nevada College	NV	27	22,005	739	Baccalaureate	Private
5	Roosevelt University	IL	31	16,980	4,778	Master's	Private
6	Henderson State University	AR	33	5,378	3,152	Master's	Public
7	Antioch College	OH	34	28,573	225	Baccalaureate	Private
8	The College of New Rochelle	NY	37	23,700	5,199	Master's	Private
9	Concordia University, Ann Arbor	MI	38	19,870	962	Baccalaureate	Private
T-10	Shimer College	IL	40	24,890	60	Baccalaureate	Private
T-10	South Dakota School of Mines and Technology	SD	40	5,670	1,769	Special	Public

### TOP TEN SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Stonehill College	MA	85	28,440	2,394	Baccalaureate	Private
2	Pennsylvania State University, Main Campus	PA	84	12,844	41,817	Research	Public
T-3	College of Saint Benedict	MN	82	26,570	2,065	Baccalaureate	Private
T-3	Susquehanna University	PA	82	28,320	2,006	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5	Fairfield University	CT	81	33,905	4,223	Master's	Private
T-5	DePauw University	IN	81	29,700	2,376	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5	James Madison University	VA	81	6,666	17,053	Master's	Public
T-8	Miami University, Oxford	OH	80	10,554	15,531	Research	Public
T-8	Saint John's University	MN	80	26,570	2,012	Baccalaureate	Private
T-8	Saint Michael's College	VT	80	29,945	2,204	Baccalaureate	Private
T-8	Siena College	NY	80	22,685	3,097	Baccalaureate	Private
T-8	Willamette University	OR	80	31,968	2,534	Baccalaureate	Private
T-8	Xavier University	OH	80	25,270	5,201	Master's	Private

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**Highly Competitive****BOTTOM TEN SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology	NM	44	4,104	1,472	Master's	Public
2	Milwaukee School of Engineering	WI	52	25,980	2,254	Baccalaureate	Private
T-3	Lyon College	AR	55	15,960	479	Baccalaureate	Private
T-3	University of Texas at Dallas	TX	55	8,554	11,202	Research	Public
T-5	Kettering University	MI	56	25,808	2,375	Special	Private
T-5	New College of Florida	FL	56	3,850	767	Baccalaureate	Public
T-5	St. John's College	NM	56	36,596	529	Baccalaureate	Private
8	Bennington College	VT	57	36,800	711	Baccalaureate	Private
9	Stony Brook University	NY	59	5,760	20,573	Research	Public
10	The New School	NY	61	31,940	8,351	Research	Private

**TOP TEN SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
T-1	Babson College	MA	89	34,112	2,676	Special	Private
T-1	Mount Holyoke College	MA	89	35,940	2,174	Baccalaureate	Private
T-3	University of California, Berkeley	CA	88	7,165	33,855	Research	Public
T-3	University of Michigan, Ann Arbor	MI	88	10,447	39,199	Research	Public
T-5	Bentley College	MA	87	31,696	4,850	Master's	Private
T-5	Grinnell College	IA	87	33,910	1,635	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5	Trinity College	CT	87	36,870	2,312	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5	Providence College	RI	87	29,499	4,584	Master's	Private
T-9	Gustavus Adolphus College	MN	86	28,515	2,596	Baccalaureate	Private
T-9	Smith College	MA	86	34,186	3,025	Baccalaureate	Private
T-9	St. Olaf College	MN	86	30,600	3,007	Baccalaureate	Private
T-9	Union College	NY	86	N/A	2,160	Baccalaureate	Private
T-9	Wheaton College	IL	86	23,730	2,690	Baccalaureate	Private

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**Most Competitive****BOTTOM TEN SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Webb Institute	NY	60	0	91	Special	Private
T-2	Reed College	OR	76	36,420	1,444	Baccalaureate	Private
T-2	Tulane University of Louisiana	LA	76	36,610	9,116	Research	Private
T-2	University of Miami	FL	76	33,018	14,700	Research	Private
5	United States Air Force Academy	CO	77	0	4,461	Baccalaureate	Public
6	George Washington University	DC	78	39,240	19,385	Research	Private
7	Scripps College	CA	80	35,850	914	Baccalaureate	Private
T-8	Case Western Reserve University	OH	81	33,538	8,454	Research	Private
T-8	Connecticut College	CT	81		1,833	Baccalaureate	Private
T-8	Occidental College	CA	81	35,373	1,859	Baccalaureate	Private
T-8	United States Military Academy	NY	81	0	4,487	Baccalaureate	Public
T-8	University of Rochester	NY	81	35,190	8,355	Research	Private

**TOP TEN SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Harvard University	MA	97	34,998	21,904	Research	Private
T-2	Amherst College	MA	96	36,232	1,683	Baccalaureate	Private
T-2	Yale University	CT	96	34,530	11,345	Research	Private
T-4	Brown University	RI	95	36,342	7,974	Research	Private
T-4	Princeton University	NJ	95	33,000	7,261	Research	Private
T-4	Stanford University	CA	95	35,089	16,392	Research	Private
T-4	University of Notre Dame	IN	95	35,187	11,657	Research	Private
T-4	University of Pennsylvania	PA	95	35,916	21,427	Research	Private
T-4	Williams College	MA	95	35,670	2,053	Baccalaureate	Private
T-10	Duke University	NC	94	35,512	13,351	Research	Private
T-10	Pomona College	CA	94	33,932	1,547	Baccalaureate	Private
T-10	Swarthmore College	PA	94	34,884	1,487	Baccalaureate	Private

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points, from Edward Waters College at 9 percent to Atlantic Union College at 98 percent. The sixty-two schools ranked in the bottom third had an average graduation rate of 26 percent, and none of the bottom ten institutions graduate more than 20 percent of their students in six years. Meanwhile, the sixty-two schools in the top third graduate an average of 54 percent of their students. Institutions like Paul Quinn College in Texas and Atlantic Union in Massachusetts graduate more than 90 percent of their students, while other less competitive schools like South University in Georgia and National-Louis in Illinois do not surpass the 15 percent mark.

The largest number of colleges and universities in the United States fall under the competitive category. Graduation rates at competitive institutions spanned seventy-seven percentage points, ranging from 12 percent (Voorhees College in South Carolina and Texas Southern University) to 89 percent (College of Our Lady of the Elms in Massachusetts). The 220 schools in the bottom third have an average graduation rate of 35 percent. Within the bottom ten schools, six institutions graduate fewer than one in five of their students in six years. In contrast, the top 220 institutions in the category graduate about 62 percent of their students. Though the students enrolling in Our Lady of the Elms and Texas Southern may be similar academically, their choice of college may significantly affect their chances of obtaining a degree.

The highest- and lowest-ranked very competitive institutions have graduation rates that are also seventy-seven percentage points apart. Colorado Christian College graduates only 8 percent of its students, tying the national low, while the graduation rate of Stonehill College in Massachusetts is ten times higher (85 percent). Even at the very competitive level, the ninety-two schools in the bottom third fail to graduate more than 50 percent of their students on average. Meanwhile, the ninety-two institutions in the top third graduated 74 percent of their students, with Stonehill and Pennsylvania State University leading the way.

Among the nation's highly competitive schools, variation still exists. The range in graduation rates is

forty-five percentage points, but the gap between the top and bottom thirds shrinks to nineteen percentage points. However, almost all schools with the ten lowest graduation rates fail to graduate more than 60 percent of their students. New York's New School is the only institution in the bottom ten to pass the 60 percent mark, while the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology anchors the bottom with a 44 percent graduation rate. Two flagship state universities—University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and University of California, Berkeley—appear to do an exemplary job with their large and diverse student bodies, with graduation rates of 88 percent. Their record is similar to smaller liberal arts colleges like Trinity College in Connecticut (87 percent) and Grinnell College in Iowa (87 percent).

Institutions in the most competitive category enroll the nation's most talented students, and their graduation rates are consistently over 60 percent. In the top ten, no school falls below a 90 percent graduation rate. Apart from these colleges and universities, however, the national picture reveals substantial variation in graduation rates across institutions with similar admissions criteria.

In ranking over one thousand institutions, there are inevitably outliers where legitimate factors fuel noticeably low or high graduation rates. For instance, several engineering institutions—such as Embry Riddle in Florida, with a graduation rate of 61 percent—have more modest rates than comparable schools, likely due to a more demanding curriculum. Furthermore, Goddard College, whose 50 percent graduation rate looks at first glance like a risky investment for a prospective student, is explicitly geared toward adults with transfer credits. Given Goddard's niche and mission, the SRK graduation rate based on first-time, full-time beginning students who graduate within six years applies to few of its students, meaning the figures may be of little or no use in gauging its performance. The point, which bears frequent repeating, is that the data reported here are invaluable to students, families, and policymakers, but they still need to be read sensibly and used with care.

## Regional Findings

Proximity to home is an important consideration for prospective college students, the majority of whom will choose to remain within driving distance of their hometown. In 2005, 56 percent of college freshmen attended a school within one hundred miles of their home.<sup>11</sup> Given the importance of proximity, we compare graduation rates of schools within similar geographic regions. Table A4 in the appendix displays the top and bottom five schools in each selectivity category within each region.

**Northeast.** The Northeast houses many of the nation's best institutions, and the distribution of graduation rates in this region reflects the high quality of many of these schools. The stellar performance of schools like Harvard, Amherst, and Yale, however, whose average graduation rates are better than 95 percent, should not obscure the poor performance of many other institutions. Among noncompetitive and less competitive schools, graduation rates like the University of the District of Columbia's 19 percent, tied for the lowest in the region, are far too common.

Several colleges and universities in the Northeast fare better in graduating their students than one might expect given their low selectivity. Merrimack College in Massachusetts, for instance, a competitive school, has a graduation rate of 78 percent, followed closely in the same category by Westminster College in Pennsylvania at 76 percent. On the flip side, given their relatively selective admissions criteria, a few schools fare worse than might be expected. Touro College and the College of New Rochelle, both in New York, are rated very competitive, but their graduation rates are just 25 percent and 37 percent, respectively.

There is wide variation in regional graduation rates within the less competitive (seventy-nine percentage points), competitive (seventy percentage

points), and very competitive (sixty percentage points) selectivity categories. These ranges shrink to thirty-two percentage points among highly competitive schools and thirty-seven percentage points among most competitive ones. Even at the most selective levels, however, private schools like Bennington College in Vermont or the New School in New York graduate only about 60 percent of their students. Meanwhile, Mount Holyoke College and Babson College, both in Massachusetts, accept the same type of students and charge about the same tuition but graduate about 30 percent more of their students than these other institutions.

**Midwest.** As with other regions, the range in graduation rates for schools in the Midwest varies widely across and within selectivity categories. Among non-competitive schools, the range is forty-three percentage points, with a low of 15 percent at the National American University, Rapid City, in South Dakota and a high of 58 percent at Kansas State University. The overall gap between the top and bottom performers is even larger among less competitive schools (seventy-one percentage points), where National-Louis University in Illinois boasts the lowest graduation rate in the region (12 percent) and Cleary University in Michigan one of the highest (83 percent).

The gaps between the top and bottom graduation rates get smaller as we move up the selectivity scale, from sixty percentage points (competitive) to fifty-one percentage points (very competitive) to thirty-six percentage points (highly competitive). Even in the competitive and very competitive levels, though, not one school in the bottom five graduates more than 50 percent of its students. Some institutions, like Northeastern Illinois University or Central State University in Ohio, leave about 80 percent of their

students without degrees after six years. The news for the most competitive schools is brighter; the range in this category is only fourteen percentage points, with Case Western Reserve University at the bottom with an 81 percent graduation rate and the University of Notre Dame at the top with a 95 percent graduation rate.

**South.** The South has the dubious distinction of housing institutions with some of the lowest graduation rates in our sample. At the noncompetitive level, none of the five institutions with the lowest graduation rates in the region surpass 20 percent. At the less competitive level, schools like South University in Georgia and Edward Waters College in Florida graduate well under 15 percent of their students. Overall, of the seventy-eight schools in the South classified as noncompetitive or less competitive, only six (less than 8 percent) have graduation rates higher than 50 percent. In contrast, not one of the twenty-nine schools rated highly competitive or most competitive failed to graduate half of their first-time students.

There is considerable variation within selectivity categories as well. The gaps between the top and bottom graduation rates within the lowest selectivity categories are large: ninety-two percentage points for noncompetitive and forty-three percentage points for less competitive schools. Meanwhile, with the exception of the less competitive category, the range between the highest and lowest performers shrinks with each step up the selectivity scale, and it falls to just eighteen percentage points among the most competitive schools.

In the South, it is again relatively easy to find schools that look similar in most respects but that

have significant disparities in graduation rates. The University of Louisville in Kentucky is a very competitive public research university that enrolls around seventeen thousand students and charges about \$7,000 in tuition. It graduates only 44 percent of its students. In contrast, James Madison University in Virginia, another public university that enrolls about seventeen thousand students and charges slightly less than \$7,000, graduates 81 percent of its students.

**West.** The patterns for institutions in the West are largely consistent with those of the other regions. Of the sixty-six colleges and universities denoted noncompetitive and less competitive, only 9 percent have graduation rates over 50 percent, including a regional low of 10 percent at Jarvis Christian College in Texas. Meanwhile, at the top of the selectivity scale, of the forty western schools in the highly competitive and most competitive categories, all but one have graduation rates above this threshold, led by Stanford University at 95 percent.

Again, though, even among institutions of the same selectivity—and those that enroll highly qualified student bodies—it is easy to find gaps in the rates at which students graduate. The University of Colorado, Boulder, for instance, is a public research university designated very competitive that charges just over \$6,600 for in-state tuition and graduates 67 percent of its students. The University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, a rival state school, is a public master's degree-granting university also ranked very competitive that charges slightly less for in-state tuition, at \$5,700. Its graduation rate, however, is substantially lower at 41 percent.

# Historically Black Colleges and Universities/ Institutions of High Hispanic Enrollment

## Historically Black Colleges and Universities

HBCUs occupy an important place in American higher education, having played a prominent role in educating African Americans who were historically excluded from other colleges and universities. While HBCUs represent just 3 percent of the nation's institutions of higher learning, they graduate nearly 20 percent of African Americans who earn undergraduate degrees and more than 50 percent of African American professionals. Despite their importance, the seventy-eight HBCUs featured in this report are failing to graduate a large percentage of their student body.<sup>12</sup>

Among HBCUs, there are a few well-known institutions that compete for top talent, such as Howard University and the all-women Spelman College, which post graduation rates of 69 percent and 78 percent, respectively. However, 97 percent of HBCUs fall into the noncompetitive, less competitive, or competitive categories, and the graduation rates at sixty-seven of these seventy-eight institutions fall below 50 percent.

There are some success stories. Arkansas Baptist University and Concordia College in Alabama, both noncompetitive HBCUs, graduate 100 percent and 97 percent of their students, respectively. Paul Quinn College in Texas, a less competitive school, graduates 93 percent of its students, outperforming its closest comparable competitor by forty-two percentage points. On the whole, however, HBCU graduation rates are low, especially compared to other non-HBCU schools of similar characteristics.

HBCUs typically charge substantially lower tuition rates than non-HBCUs. Arkansas Baptist College, for instance, charges tuition of just under \$5,500 and has the highest graduation rate in the

nation. Still, there are a number of HBCUs that charge relatively high tuition matched by low graduation rates. Saint Paul's College in Virginia, a non-competitive school with tuition of more than \$12,000, graduates just 25 percent of its students. Similarly, Stillman College in Alabama, a less competitive school with tuition of more than \$12,000, has a graduation rate of only 23 percent.

HBCUs play an important role in our higher education system, and some appear to be doing an excellent job of providing opportunities to their students by helping them earn a degree in a reasonable amount of time. For many African American men and women, however, choosing to attend an HBCU may be a risky investment, one with a less than 50 percent chance of producing a degree.

## Institutions of High Hispanic Enrollment

IHHEs—schools with undergraduate student bodies comprising at least 25 percent Hispanic students—tend to be located in states with large Hispanic populations, such as California, Texas, Florida, and New Mexico. Overall, the fifty-two IHHEs included in this report are less selective and have lower graduation rates than non-IHHEs, with roughly 96 percent ranking in the bottom three selectivity categories. Of these, 78 percent have graduation rates under 50 percent. None of the schools under the IHHE classification have a graduation rate that is higher than 60 percent.

Although IHHEs generally have more modest graduation rates, there is significant variance among schools in the same category—but the pattern is different than previously seen. The range is largest in the competitive category (with graduation rates of 19–59 percent), slightly smaller for the less

TABLE 3  
 AVERAGE SIX-YEAR GRADUATION RATE AND RANGE OF HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES  
 AND UNIVERSITIES AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGH HISPANIC ENROLLMENT BY SELECTIVITY CATEGORY

	HBCUs		IHHEs	
	Graduation Rate	Percent Range	Graduation Rate	Percent Range
Noncompetitive	37.1%	8–100	19.8%	10–29
Number of schools in sample	11		6	
Less Competitive	34.7%	9–93	36.9%	19–49
Number of schools in sample	32		14	
Competitive	36.5%	12–69	44.3%	19–59
Number of schools in sample	33		30	

competitive category (19–49 percent), and smallest for the noncompetitive category (10–29 percent). As these ranges reveal, students in search of an IHHE that suits their needs must confront stark differences in completion rates. For instance, California students looking for an IHHE in the competitive category have a choice between California State University (CSU), Stanislaus, which charges about \$3,300 in tuition and graduates 52 percent of its students, and CSU, Los Angeles, which charges about the same tuition but graduates only 31 percent. Unfortunately

for Hispanic students in search of a noncompetitive option, all of the IHHE schools in this category are doing a lackluster job, graduating less than 30 percent of their first-time students in six years.

Both of these types of institutions cater to minority students and are arguably more sensitive to the needs and challenges of these students. The graduation rate data show that, far from outperforming other schools, HBCUs and IHHEs lag behind national averages, particularly at the lower levels of selectivity.

## Conclusion

This fall, well over one million students will enroll in four-year colleges. It is safe to say that nearly all of them expect to graduate. At some schools, and especially at the nation's elite institutions, the vast majority of students can reasonably plan on doing so. At far too many other colleges, however, students are likely unaware that they have less than a one in four chance of earning a degree by 2015, even as they spend thousands of dollars on tuition and countless hours working toward a degree they may never receive. Perhaps more tragically, tens of thousands of these students will enroll at institutions from which they are unlikely to graduate, even when there are less expensive alternatives nearby at which they would be far more likely to complete their degree.

Some students go to college seeking top-shelf music programs, world-renowned physics faculty, tiny seminars, eye-popping athletic facilities, and lush campus landscapes. These fortunate students search nationally for the right college and then compete feverishly to get into the small pool of elite institutions that can satisfy their needs. The top-performing prospective students are catered to by counselors, rating guides, and consultants who shower them with information and advice. This report is not intended for those students or focused on those elite institutions.

Most students search for institutions that are close to home, attend schools that accept most applicants, and are focused on getting their degree at an affordable price. For students at a vast majority of the more than 1,300 four-year colleges included in this study, the readily available data are of little help in deciding the most basic question: how confident can I be that I will graduate from a college or university?

This is not just a matter of importance for students and families. President Obama hopes to increase

dramatically the number of college-goers and is asking taxpayers to help foot the bill. If we are to adopt such a course, receiving good value on our investment requires that students receive quality instruction and earn degrees in a timely manner. At many institutions in line to benefit from billions of dollars in increased federal aid, it is hard to be confident that these conditions will be met.

As we have noted, six-year graduation rates depend on an institution's students and not just its academic program. The fact that incoming Ivy League students are much more likely to graduate than are students entering a regional institution has long afforded schools a justification as to why they cannot and should not be compared or held responsible for outcomes. We address this concern by comparing institutions with similar admissions criteria. This ensures that we are not lauding institutions simply for attracting academically successful students and graduating them at high rates.

At the same time, schools should not be unfairly penalized for maintaining high standards. One peril with tracking degree completion, just as with tracking high school graduation rates, is encouraging institutions to hand out diplomas like candy. We trust that readers will keep in mind, just as we do, that there is an array of factors—like institutional mission, resources, and approach—that affect graduation rates.

Policymakers should acknowledge these factors as they move to promote greater transparency and accountability built around graduation rates. We need to ensure that graduation rate measures reflect the diversity of America's student population, especially the growing number of transfer and part-time students. We also need to ensure that, as graduation rates become part of any accountability system, these factors are taken into account. Failing to do so

could create incentives for institutions to increase graduation rates by lowering academic standards.

With these problems in mind, the fact still remains that a crucial piece of information for students and families deciding whether and where to enroll is the likelihood of receiving a degree. The data reported here represent the only comparable metric available to measure graduation rates across the nation's two-thousand-plus bachelor's degree-granting colleges and universities. These data suffer from real limitations—they cover a declining proportion of all college students, they fail to track transfer students, and they do not account for the fact that some colleges do a better job imparting knowledge than others. Despite these limits, they are an invaluable piece of information that should be readily available to families.<sup>13</sup>

These data present a disconcerting picture. Even as President Obama seeks to return the nation to its historical position as the international leader in post-secondary degree completion by 2020, hundreds of institutions are failing to graduate a majority of their students in six years. Colleges and universities receive tens of billions of dollars from taxpayers every year, but the evidence suggests that many of these institutions are not serving their students well. In a time of fiscal constraints and tight budgets, voters and public officials should be made aware of which institutions are not accomplishing their most basic mission.

Parents, prospective students, and guidance counselors should take a hard look at graduation rates. If the numbers are low, they should make sure there is a good reason. If none is forthcoming, they should look for alternative places to invest their time, their money, and their future.

Legislators and higher education officials should regularly examine the graduation rates of the institutions in their state. Where the results indicate grounds for concern, they should take a closer look and consider appropriate interventions, if warranted. Where institutions are doing well, officials may want to contemplate ways to direct more resources or students to those institutions.

It is possible that many of the nation's college-bound students are not college-ready—and that explains low graduation rates; however, if this is the case, we need to determine what needs to be done to prepare them for the rigors of college attendance and completion. For those who do choose to enroll in college, they should have crucial performance information readily at their disposal when making a choice. The bottom line is that students enrolling in a college or university should have a reasonable expectation that they will earn a degree in a timely fashion. Where they do not, we must confront challenges more profound than a simple need for more transparency.

# Appendix

## Sample Construction

The 2007 installment of IPEDS identifies over 2,000 colleges and universities that grant bachelor's degrees. Of these, 1,853 reported the six-year graduation rate (SRK) for the incoming 2001 cohort of students.

To be included in our analysis, a school had to be ranked in one of *Barron's* six selectivity categories. This eliminates many special focus schools like theological seminaries, art schools, and some institutions that specialize in training for a particular industry, which are listed in *Barron's* but are not ranked. *Barron's* does rank other special focus schools that focus on engineering or business and management. These types of schools are included.

In addition, although some schools have multiple campuses, each campus is not always ranked individually by *Barron's*. This is especially true for many for-profit institutions, like the University of Phoenix or National American University, and for some state universities like the SUNY system. In such cases, we included only the campuses that were ranked

individually by *Barron's*. For instance, while National American University operates campuses in Albuquerque, New Mexico; Independence, Missouri; Rapid City, South Dakota; and many other locations, *Barron's* ranked only the Rapid City campus, so this was the institution that we included. Of the 1,853 schools that award bachelor's degrees and reported graduation rates, 1,385 fulfilled our criteria.

It is important to note that the data used for this report cover a limited percentage of the total number of currently enrolled college students. In the fall of 2006, for instance, the number of full-time, first-time, degree-seeking undergraduates (those included in the graduation rate survey) was 2.4 million. Meanwhile, the total number of full-time undergraduates was about 9.9 million. In tables A4 and A5, all tuition amounts for public universities are reported as in-state tuition.

Data on selectivity categories from *Barron's Profiles of American Colleges 2009* reprinted with permission of *Barron's Educational Series*.

### A1

#### DISTRIBUTION OF INSTITUTIONS AND STUDENTS BY SELECTIVITY CATEGORY

Selectivity Category	Institutions	Percentage	Students	Percentage
Noncompetitive	78	5.6	325,332	4.0
Less Competitive	185	13.4	713,321	8.8
Competitive	660	47.7	3,372,603	41.5
Very Competitive	274	19.8	2,025,954	24.9
Highly Competitive	107	7.7	1,050,497	12.9
Most Competitive	81	5.8	641,852	7.9
Total	1,385		8,129,559	

A2

AVERAGE SIX-YEAR GRADUATION RATE AND RANGE BY SELECTIVITY CATEGORY

Selectivity Category	Average Graduation Rate (%)	Low	High	Range
Noncompetitive	34.7	8	100	92
Less Competitive	39.6	9	98	89
Competitive	48.6	12	89	77
Very Competitive	62.4	8	85	77
Highly Competitive	75.2	44	89	45
Most Competitive	87.8	60	97	37

A3

TRANSFER RATE SUMMARY BY SELECTIVITY CATEGORY

Selectivity Category	Schools Reporting	Transfer Rate: Bottom Third	Transfer Rate: Top Third	Difference
Noncompetitive	37/78 (47%)	34.2	23.4	10.8
Less Competitive	59/185 (32%)	27.7	23.4	4.3
Competitive	243/660 (37%)	27.1	22.5	4.6
Very Competitive	92/274 (34%)	22.4	16.6	5.8
Highly Competitive	34/107 (32%)	26.7	9.4	17.3
Most Competitive	26/81 (32%)	10.5	3.6	6.9

## A4

## TOP AND BOTTOM COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES IN EACH REGION BY SELECTIVITY CATEGORY

## North

## BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: NONCOMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Mercy College, Main Campus	NY	23	14,170	6,040	Master's	Private
2	CUNY College of Staten Island	NY	26	4,328	9,901	Master's	Public
3	CUNY York College	NY	28	4,262	5,208	Baccalaureate	Public
4	Wilmington University	DE	35	8,450	5,345	Research	Private
5	Southeastern University	DC	48	10,470	427	Master's	Private

## TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: NONCOMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Philadelphia Biblical University, Langhorne	PA	62	16,730	1,135	Master's	Private
2	Bryn Athyn College of the New Church	PA	58	10,114	134	Baccalaureate	Private

## BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: LESS COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	University of the District of Columbia	DC	19	3,140	3,689	Master's	Public
2	DeVry Institute of Technology & Keller Graduate School of Management, New York	NY	23	14,640	974	Special	Private
T-3	Cheyney University of Pennsylvania	PA	29	6,412	1,349	Master's	Public
T-3	Sojourner, Douglass College	MD	29	7,478	935	Baccalaureate	Private
5	Dowling College	NY	33	17,452	4,072	Master's	Private

## TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: LESS COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Atlantic Union College	MA	98	16,080	484	Baccalaureate	Private
2	Saint Bonaventure University	NY	71	23,605	2,241	Master's	Private
3	College of Saint Elizabeth	NJ	67	22,547	1,350	Master's	Private
4	Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania	PA	65	6,849	7,031	Master's	Public
5	Woodbury College	VT	64	16,050	87	Baccalaureate	Private

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## BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Coppin State University	MD	19	4,980	3,166	Master's	Public
2	Long Island University, Brooklyn Campus	NY	21	26,102	6,828	Master's	Private
3	Capitol College	MD	22	19,356	436	Special	Private
4	New Jersey City University	NJ	31	8,155	6,024	Master's	Public
5	CUNY John Jay College of Criminal Justice	NY	33	4,279	11,919	Master's	Public

## TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	College of Our Lady of the Elms	MA	89	23,380	994	Baccalaureate	Private
2	Yeshiva University	NY	84	30,560	5,912	Research	Private
3	Merrimack College	MA	78	27,040	1,901	Baccalaureate	Private
4	Gwynedd Mercy College	PA	77	21,025	1,933	Master's	Private
T-5	Saint Joseph's College, Main Campus	NY	76	14,520	922	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5	Westminster College	PA	76	25,530	1,376	Baccalaureate	Private

## BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: VERY COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Touro College	NY	25	13,500	12,696	Master's	Private
2	College of New Rochelle	NY	37	23,700	5,199	Master's	Private
3	New York Institute of Technology, Old Westbury	NY	42	21,498	6,657	Master's	Private
4	Metropolitan College of New York	NY	43	16,720	933	Master's	Private
5	Marymount Manhattan College	NY	45	20,600	1,703	Baccalaureate	Private

## TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: VERY COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Stonehill College	MA	85	28,440	2,394	Baccalaureate	Private
2	Pennsylvania State University, Main Campus	PA	84	12,844	41,817	Research	Public
3	Susquehanna University	PA	82	28,320	2,006	Baccalaureate	Private
4	Fairfield University	CT	81	33,905	4,223	Master's	Private
T-5	Saint Michael's College	VT	80	29,945	2,204	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5	Siena College	NY	80	22,685	3,097	Baccalaureate	Private

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**BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: HIGHLY COMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Bennington College	VT	57	36,800	711	Baccalaureate	Private
2	Stony Brook University	NY	59	5,760	20,573	Research	Public
3	The New School	NY	61	31,940	8,351	Research	Private
4	Ramapo College of New Jersey	NJ	65	9,965	5,152	Master's	Public
5	Northeastern University	MA	66	31,899	21,184	Research	Private

**TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: HIGHLY COMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
T-1	Babson College	MA	89	34,112	2,676	Special	Private
T-1	Mount Holyoke College	MA	89	35,940	2,174	Baccalaureate	Private
T-3	Bentley College	MA	87	31,696	4,850	Master's	Private
T-3	Providence College	RI	87	29,499	4,584	Master's	Private
T-3	Trinity College	CT	87	36,870	2,312	Baccalaureate	Private

**BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: MOST COMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Webb Institute	NY	60	0	91	Special	Private
2	George Washington University	DC	78	39,240	19,385	Research	Private
T-3	Connecticut College	CT	81	N/A	1,833	Baccalaureate	Private
T-3	United States Military Academy	NY	81	0	4,487	Baccalaureate	Public
T-3	University of Rochester	NY	81	35,190	8,355	Research	Private

**TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: MOST COMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Harvard University	MA	97	34,998	21,904	Research	Private
T-2	Amherst College	MA	96	36,232	1,683	Baccalaureate	Private
T-2	Yale University	CT	96	34,530	11,345	Research	Private
T-4	Brown University	RI	95	36,342	7,974	Research	Private
T-4	Princeton University	NJ	95	33,000	7,261	Research	Private
T-4	University of Pennsylvania	PA	95	35,916	21,427	Research	Private
T-4	Williams College	MA	95	35,670	2,053	Baccalaureate	Private

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**South****BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: NONCOMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Southern University at New Orleans	LA	8	2,970	2,184	Master's	Public
2	Carlos Albizu University, Miami Campus	FL	10	11,724	851	Special	Private
3	Miles College	AL	11	7,181	1,186	Baccalaureate	Private
4	American InterContinental University	GA	13	16,736	695	Master's	Private
5	Mountain State University	WV	18	6,480	4,134	Master's	Private

**TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: NONCOMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Arkansas Baptist College	AR	100	5,500	592	Baccalaureate	Private
2	Concordia College, Selma	AL	97	6,826	502	Baccalaureate	Private
3	Thomas University	GA	70	10,570	540	Baccalaureate	Private
4	West Virginia University Institute of Technology	WV	50	4,598	1,207	Baccalaureate	Public
5	Tougaloo College	MS	46	9,710	832	Baccalaureate	Private

**BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: LESS COMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Edward Waters College	FL	9	9,176	772	Baccalaureate	Private
2	South University, Savannah	GA	13	16,760	3,075	Baccalaureate	Private
3	Amridge University	AL	20	6,240	539	Special	Private
4	Stillman College	AL	23	12,186	894	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5	Clayton State University	GA	24	3,582	4,433	Baccalaureate	Public
T-5	DeVry University, Georgia	GA	24	13,220	3,087	Master's	Private
T-5	DeVry University, Virginia	VA	24	14,640	517	Master's	Private

**TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: LESS COMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Webber International University	FL	52	16,760	549	Special	Private
2	Elizabeth City State University	NC	51	2,898	2,778	Baccalaureate	Public
T-3	North Carolina Central University	NC	48	3,606	7,126	Master's	Public
T-3	Virginia Intermont College	VA	48	21,200	212	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5	Our Lady of Holy Cross College	LA	45	7,350	895	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5	South Carolina State University	SC	45	7,318	4,540	Research	Public
T-5	West Liberty State College	WV	45	4,172	2,170	Baccalaureate	Public
T-5	Winston-Salem State University	NC	45	3,300	5,372	Baccalaureate	Public

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## BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Voorhees College	SC	12	7,460	568	Baccalaureate	Private
2	Crichton College	TN	19	11,136	751	Baccalaureate	Private
3	University of West Alabama	AL	21	4,728	2,950	Master's	Public
4	Le Moyne-Owen College	TN	22	10,298	537	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5	Augusta State University	GA	23	3,242	5,230	Master's	Public
T-5	Talladega College	AL	23	7,128	338	Baccalaureate	Private

## TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Jacksonville University	FL	72	22,500	2,534	Master's	Private
T-2	Beacon College	FL	71	26,950	117	Baccalaureate	Private
T-2	Birmingham Southern College	AL	71	24,300	1,354	Baccalaureate	Private
T-2	Sweet Briar College	VA	71	25,015	780	Baccalaureate	Private
5	Hollins University	VA	69	25,645	920	Baccalaureate	Private

## BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: VERY COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Southern Polytechnic State University	GA	23	3,872	3,517	Master's	Public
2	Henderson State University	AR	33	5,378	3,152	Master's	Public
T-3	Middle Tennessee State University	TN	44	5,278	20,342	Master's	Public
T-3	University of Central Arkansas	AR	44	6,025	10,899	Master's	Public
T-3	University of Louisville	KY	44	6,940	17,294	Research	Public

## TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: VERY COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	James Madison University	VA	81	6,666	17,053	Master's	Public
2	Spelman College	GA	78	18,615	2,278	Baccalaureate	Private
3	University of Mary Washington	VA	76	6,494	4,265	Master's	Public
4	Transylvania University	KY	73	22,300	1,146	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5	Eastern Mennonite University	VA	71	21,960	1,138	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5	John Brown University	AR	71	17,176	1,858	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5	Presbyter College	SC	71	26,320	1,148	Baccalaureate	Private

*(table A4 continued)***BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: HIGHLY COMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Lyon College	AR	55	15,960	479	Baccalaureate	Private
2	New College of Florida	FL	56	3,850	767	Baccalaureate	Public
3	Hendrix College	AR	66	24,498	1,187	Baccalaureate	Private
T-4	Loyola University, New Orleans	LA	68	26,508	3,657	Master's	Private
T-4	Rollins College	FL	68	32,640	3,040	Master's	Private

**TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: HIGHLY COMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Furman University	SC	83	31,560	2,773	Baccalaureate	Private
2	University of Florida	FL	81	3,257	47,600	Research	Public
T-3	Clemson University	SC	78	10,370	16,230	Research	Public
T-3	Georgia Institute of Technology, Main Campus	GA	78	5,305	17,558	Research	Public
T-3	Sewanee: The University of the South	TN	78	30,660	1,546	Baccalaureate	Private

**BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: MOST COMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
T-1	Tulane University of Louisiana	LA	76	36,610	9,116	Research	Private
T-1	University of Miami	FL	76	33,018	14,700	Research	Private
3	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	NC	83	5,340	25,089	Research	Public
4	University of Richmond	VA	86	37,610	3,852	Baccalaureate	Private
5	Emory University	GA	87	34,336	12,040	Research	Private

**TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: MOST COMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Duke University	NC	94	35,512	13,351	Research	Private
T-2	Davidson College	NC	93	31,794	1,674	Baccalaureate	Private
T-2	University of Virginia, Main Campus	VA	93	8,690	21,889	Research	Public
T-4	College of William and Mary	VA	91	9,164	7,448	Research	Public
T-4	Vanderbilt University	TN	91	35,278	11,395	Research	Private

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**Midwest****BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: NONCOMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	National American University, Rapid City	SD	15	12,482	938	Baccalaureate	Private
2	Bellevue University	NE	18	5,445	6,137	Master's	Private
T-3	Davenport University	MI	23	9,956	6,552	Master's	Private
T-3	Peru State College	NE	23	4,428	1,722	Baccalaureate	Public
5	Oakland City University	IN	26	14,820	1,661	Master's	Private

**TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: NONCOMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Kansas State University	KS	58	6,235	20,184	Research	Public
2	University of Wisconsin, Platteville	WI	53	5,747	6,333	Master's	Public
3	Tabor College	KS	50	17,640	512	Baccalaureate	Private
4	Washburn University	KS	49	5,636	5,547	Master's	Public
5	Wayne State College	NE	46	4,322	2,977	Master's	Public

**BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: LESS COMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	National-Louis University	IL	12	17,725	4,607	Master's	Private
2	Indiana University, East	IN	17	5,292	1,666	Baccalaureate	Public
T-3	William Penn University	IA	21	16,880	1,889	Baccalaureate	Private
T-3	Calumet College of Saint Joseph	IN	21	11,650	765	Master's	Private
5	Black Hills State University	SD	22	5,803	3,099	Baccalaureate	Public

**TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: LESS COMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Cleary University	MI	83	14,160	570	Special	Private
T-2	Northwood University	MI	53	16,705	3,263	Special	Private
T-2	Lourdes College	OH	53	11,232	1,490	Baccalaureate	Private
4	University of Wisconsin, River Falls	WI	52	5,886	5,989	Master's	Public
T-5	Marian College of Fond du Lac	WI	51	18,650	2,073	Master's	Private
T-5	Valley City State University	ND	51	5,846	800	Baccalaureate	Public

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## BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Chicago State University	IL	16	7,730	4,895	Master's	Public
2	Northeastern Illinois University	IL	19	5,641	8,739	Master's	Public
3	Central State University	OH	21	5,294	1,900	Baccalaureate	Public
T-4	David N Myers University	OH	23	10,950	379	Baccalaureate	Private
T-4	Iowa Wesleyan College	IA	23	18,870	714	Baccalaureate	Private

## TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Bethel University	MN	76	24,510	3,655	Master's	Private
2	John Carroll University	OH	74	26,434	3,397	Master's	Private
3	Ripon College	WI	72	23,323	991	Baccalaureate	Private
T-4	Clarke College	IA	71	21,312	1,075	Baccalaureate	Private
T-4	Ohio University, Main Campus	OH	71	8,907	19,805	Research	Public

## BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: VERY COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Roosevelt University	IL	31	16,980	4,778	Master's	Private
2	Antioch College	OH	34	28,573	225	Baccalaureate	Private
3	Concordia University, Ann Arbor	MI	38	19,870	962	Baccalaureate	Private
T-4	Shimer College	IL	40	24,890	60	Baccalaureate	Private
T-4	South Dakota School of Mines and Technology	SD	40	5,670	1,769	Special	Public

## TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: VERY COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	College of Saint Benedict	MN	82	26,570	2,065	Baccalaureate	Private
2	DePauw University	IN	81	29,700	2,376	Baccalaureate	Private
T-3	Miami University, Oxford	OH	80	10,554	15,531	Research	Public
T-3	Saint John's University	MN	80	26,570	2,012	Baccalaureate	Private
T-3	Xavier University	OH	80	25,270	5,201	Master's	Private

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## BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: HIGHLY COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Milwaukee School of Engineering	WI	52	25,980	2,254	Baccalaureate	Private
2	Kettering University	MI	56	25,808	2,375	Special	Private
3	University of Minnesota, Twin Cities	MN	63	9,598	41,927	Research	Public
4	Loyola University, Chicago	IL	65	27,966	14,210	Research	Private
5	Illinois Institute of Technology	IL	67	26,756	6,175	Research	Private

## TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: HIGHLY COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	University of Michigan, Ann Arbor	MI	88	10,447	39,199	Research	Public
2	Grinnell College	IA	87	33,910	1,635	Baccalaureate	Private
T-3	Gustavus Adolphus College	MN	86	28,515	2,596	Baccalaureate	Private
T-3	St. Olaf College	MN	86	30,600	3,007	Baccalaureate	Private
T-3	Wheaton College	IL	86	23,730	2,690	Baccalaureate	Private

## BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: MOST COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Case Western Reserve University	OH	81	33,538	8,454	Research	Private
2	Oberlin College	OH	82	36,282	2,747	Baccalaureate	Private
3	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	IN	83	30,768	1,883	Special	Private
4	Kenyon College	OH	84	38,140	1,657	Baccalaureate	Private
5	Macalester College	MN	86	33,694	1,891	Baccalaureate	Private

## TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: MOST COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	University of Notre Dame	IN	95	35,187	11,657	Research	Private
T-2	Carleton College	MN	93	36,156	1,994	Baccalaureate	Private
T-2	Northwestern University	IL	93	35,429	17,026	Research	Private
4	Washington University in St. Louis	MO	92	35,524	11,929	Research	Private
5	University of Chicago	IL	90	35,868	12,880	Research	Private

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**West****BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: NONCOMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Jarvis Christian College	TX	10	8,208	679	Baccalaureate	Private
2	University of Houston, Downtown	TX	16	4,022	8,370	Baccalaureate	Public
3	Heritage University	WA	17	9,055	827	Master's	Private
4	Cameron University	OK	19	3,872	4,224	Master's	Public
5	University of Alaska, Anchorage	AK	20	4,477	10,990	Master's	Public

**TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: NONCOMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Notre Dame de Namur University	CA	58	24,650	1,024	Master's	Private
2	Southern Nazarene University	OK	54	15,924	2,055	Master's	Private
3	Walla Walla University	WA	53	21,114	1,753	Master's	Private
4	University of Nevada, Reno	NV	46	4,128	13,551	Research	Public
5	Utah State University	UT	45	4,200	13,143	Research	Public

**BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: LESS COMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	University of Alaska, Southeast	AK	16	4,445	1,667	Master's	Public
2	Colorado Technical University	CO	17	10,095	410	Master's	Private
3	Huston-Tillotson University	TX	18	10,040	714	Baccalaureate	Private
T-4	Sul Ross State University	TX	19	3,942	1,887	Master's	Public
T-4	Wiley College	TX	19	9,400	852	Baccalaureate	Private

**TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: LESS COMPETITIVE**

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Paul Quinn College	TX	93	9,170	515	Baccalaureate	Private
2	University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio	TX	60	3,456	2,557	Special	Public
3	University of Texas at Arlington	TX	52	6,464	19,319	Research	Public
4	Woodbury University	CA	49	25,758	1,362	Master's	Private
5	California State University, Fresno	CA	48	3,299	19,364	Master's	Public

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## BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Texas Southern University	TX	12	5,428	8,228	Master's	Public
2	University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma	OK	22	3,240	1,084	Baccalaureate	Public
3	University of Alaska, Fairbanks	AK	25	4,573	5,817	Research	Public
4	Texas Wesleyan University	TX	26	15,775	2,471	Master's	Private
T-5	Concordia University Texas	TX	27	18,910	1,228	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5	Lewis-Clark State College	ID	27	4,092	2,814	Baccalaureate	Public

## TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	American Jewish University	CA	75	21,300	217	Baccalaureate	Private
2	Whitworth University	WA	74	25,692	2,302	Master's	Private
3	American Indian College of the Assemblies of God	AZ	73	6,645	63	Baccalaureate	Private
4	Lewis & Clark College	OR	71	31,840	3,181	Baccalaureate	Private
5	Saint Mary's College of California	CA	67	31,080	3,277	Master's	Private

## BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: VERY COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Colorado Christian University	CO	8	19,000	1,504	Master's	Private
2	Sierra Nevada College	NV	27	22,005	739	Baccalaureate	Private
T-3	Pacific Union College	CA	41	21,435	1,282	Baccalaureate	Private
T-3	University of Colorado at Colorado Springs	CO	41	5,726	6,576	Master's	Public
T-5	Brigham Young University, Hawaii	HI	46	3,250	2,244	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5	Grand Canyon University	AZ	46	14,320	6,753	Master's	Private

## TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: VERY COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Willamette University	OR	80	31,968	2,534	Baccalaureate	Private
2	University of California, Davis	CA	79	8,124	28,868	Research	Public
3	Brigham Young University	UT	78	3,840	31,497	Research	Private
4	Loyola Marymount University	CA	76	31,804	8,289	Master's	Private
5	University of Washington, Seattle Campus	WA	75	6,385	36,120	Research	Public

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## BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: HIGHLY COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology	NM	44	4,104	1,472	Master's	Public
2	University of Texas at Dallas	TX	55	8,554	11,202	Research	Public
3	St. John's College	NM	56	36,596	529	Baccalaureate	Private
4	University of Tulsa	OK	63	22,195	3,881	Research	Private
T-5	Chapman University	CA	67	32,608	5,570	Master's	Private
T-5	Colorado School of Mines	CO	67	10,050	4,040	Research	Public

## TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: HIGHLY COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	University of California, Berkeley	CA	88	7,165	33,855	Research	Public
T-2	Santa Clara University	CA	84	33,000	7,415	Master's	Private
T-2	University of California, San Diego	CA	84	7,456	26,466	Research	Public
4	Colorado College	CO	83	33,972	2,062	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5	Gonzaga University	WA	80	26,658	5,772	Master's	Private
T-5	Thomas Aquinas College	CA	80	20,400	360	Baccalaureate	Private
T-5	University of California, Irvine	CA	80	7,556	25,839	Research	Public
T-5	University of California, Santa Barbara	CA	80	7,896	21,054	Research	Public

## BOTTOM SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: MOST COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Reed College	OR	76	36,420	1,444	Baccalaureate	Private
2	United States Air Force Academy	CO	77	0	4,461	Baccalaureate	Public
3	Scripps College	CA	80	35,850	914	Baccalaureate	Private
4	Occidental College	CA	81	35,373	1,859	Baccalaureate	Private
5	Harvey Mudd College	CA	84	34,891	734	Baccalaureate	Private

## TOP SCHOOLS BY GRADUATION RATE: MOST COMPETITIVE

	Name	State	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
1	Stanford University	CA	95	35,089	16,392	Research	Private
2	Pomona College	CA	94	33,932	1,547	Baccalaureate	Private
T-3	University of California, Los Angeles	CA	90	7,165	36,733	Research	Public
T-3	Rice University	TX	90	28,905	5,084	Research	Private
T-5	California Institute of Technology	CA	89	32,835	2,133	Research	Private
T-5	Claremont McKenna College	CA	89	35,190	1,135	Baccalaureate	Private

## COMPLETE LISTING OF COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES ALPHABETICALLY BY STATE

Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
<b>Alabama</b>					
Alabama A & M University	33	4,072	5,124	Master's	Public
Alabama State University	27	4,508	4,918	Master's	Public
Amridge University	20	6,240	539	Special	Private
Auburn University, Main Campus	63	5,834	21,941	Research	Public
Auburn University, Montgomery	27	5,010	3,856	Master's	Public
Birmingham Southern College	71	24,300	1,354	Baccalaureate	Private
Concordia College, Selma	97	6,826	502	Baccalaureate	Private
Faulkner University	32	12,000	2,446	Baccalaureate	Private
Huntingdon College	51	18,270	853	Baccalaureate	Private
Jacksonville State University	38	4,056	7,254	Master's	Public
Judson College	54	11,120	268	Baccalaureate	Private
Miles College	11	7,181	1,186	Baccalaureate	Private
Oakwood College	44	12,668	1,756	Baccalaureate	Private
Samford University	67	17,920	4,171	Research	Private
Spring Hill College	55	23,100	1,328	Master's	Private
Stillman College	23	12,186	894	Baccalaureate	Private
Talladega College	23	7,128	338	Baccalaureate	Private
Troy University	42	4,264	19,015	Master's	Public
Tuskegee University	49	14,360	2,877	Baccalaureate	Private
University of Alabama	65	5,700	23,499	Research	Public
University of Alabama at Birmingham	38	4,208	13,146	Research	Public
University of Alabama in Huntsville	44	5,216	5,740	Research	Public
University of Mobile	37	13,250	1,336	Master's	Private
University of Montevallo	47	5,794	2,644	Master's	Public
University of North Alabama	41	4,025	5,915	Master's	Public
University of South Alabama	37	4,822	11,618	Master's	Public
University of West Alabama	21	4,728	2,950	Master's	Public
State Average	42.9				
<b>Alaska</b>					
Alaska Pacific University	35	21,010	521	Master's	Private
University of Alaska, Anchorage	20	4,477	10,990	Master's	Public
University of Alaska, Fairbanks	25	4,573	5,817	Research	Public
University of Alaska, Southeast	16	4,445	1,667	Master's	Public
State Average	24.0				
<b>Arizona</b>					
American Indian College of the Assemblies of God	73	6,645	63	Baccalaureate	Private
Arizona State University at the Tempe Campus	56	4,971	42,605	Research	Public
DeVry University, Arizona	34	13,220	1,153	Master's	Private
Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, Prescott	51	26,496	1,622	Baccalaureate	Private
Grand Canyon University	46	14,320	6,753	Master's	Private
Northern Arizona University	48	4,964	17,230	Research	Public

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Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
Prescott College	52	21,130	879	Master's	Private
University of Arizona	56	5,048	33,447	Research	Public
State Average	52.0				
<b>Arkansas</b>					
Arkansas Baptist College	100	5,500	592	Baccalaureate	Private
Arkansas State University, Main Campus	38	6,010	9,268	Master's	Public
Arkansas Tech University	39	4,154	6,510	Master's	Public
Harding University	60	12,360	4,968	Master's	Private
Henderson State University	33	5,378	3,152	Master's	Public
Hendrix College	66	24,498	1,187	Baccalaureate	Private
John Brown University	71	17,176	1,858	Baccalaureate	Private
Lyon College	55	15,960	479	Baccalaureate	Private
Ouachita Baptist University	66	17,950	1,412	Baccalaureate	Private
Philander Smith College	28	8,402	522	Baccalaureate	Private
Southern Arkansas University, Main Campus	34	5,224	2,687	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Arkansas at Little Rock	20	5,725	8,843	Research	Public
University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff	33	4,499	2,919	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Arkansas, Main Campus	58	6,038	15,913	Research	Public
University of Central Arkansas	44	6,025	10,899	Master's	Public
University of the Ozarks	46	16,110	614	Baccalaureate	Private
Williams Baptist College	33	10,370	543	Baccalaureate	Private
State Average	48.5				
<b>California</b>					
American Jewish University	75	21,300	217	Baccalaureate	Private
Azusa Pacific University	65	25,130	5,872	Research	Private
Bethany University	33	17,375	462	Baccalaureate	Private
Biola University	71	24,998	4,907	Research	Private
California Baptist University	64	20,636	3,181	Master's	Private
California Institute of Technology	89	32,835	2,133	Research	Private
California Lutheran University	63	25,990	2,972	Master's	Private
California Maritime Academy	62	3,728	819	Baccalaureate	Public
California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo	66	4,689	19,004	Master's	Public
California State Polytechnic University, Pomona	49	3,278	18,734	Master's	Public
California State University, Bakersfield	40	3,714	6,607	Master's	Public
California State University, Chico	52	3,690	15,886	Master's	Public
California State University, Dominguez Hills	28	3,377	8,943	Master's	Public
California State University, East Bay	40	3,345	10,933	Master's	Public
California State University, Fresno	48	3,299	19,364	Master's	Public
California State University, Fullerton	50	3,342	29,821	Master's	Public
California State University, Long Beach	47	3,116	30,920	Master's	Public
California State University, Los Angeles	31	3,332	16,695	Master's	Public

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Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
California State University, Monterey Bay	36	3,256	3,710	Baccalaureate	Public
California State University, Northridge	41	3,350	28,579	Master's	Public
California State University, Sacramento	42	3,558	23,908	Master's	Public
California State University, San Bernardino	38	3,455	14,282	Master's	Public
California State University, San Marcos	44	3,374	7,567	Master's	Public
California State University, Stanislaus	52	3,330	6,951	Master's	Public
Chapman University	67	32,608	5,570	Master's	Private
Claremont McKenna College	89	35,190	1,135	Baccalaureate	Private
Cogswell Polytechnical College	44	16,548	158	Baccalaureate	Private
Concordia University	62	22,380	2,152	Master's	Private
DeVry University, California	31	14,330	4,390	Master's	Private
Dominican University of California	54	30,570	1,752	Master's	Private
Fresno Pacific University	59	21,796	1,859	Master's	Private
Golden Gate University, San Francisco	43	12,240	2,146	Research	Private
Harvey Mudd College	84	34,891	734	Baccalaureate	Private
Holy Names University	36	25,060	864	Master's	Private
Hope International University	30	19,900	804	Master's	Private
Humboldt State University	42	3,843	7,084	Master's	Public
La Sierra University	28	21,846	1,559	Master's	Private
Loyola Marymount University	76	31,804	8,289	Master's	Private
Menlo College	44	27,950	648	Special	Private
Mills College	57	35,440	1,360	Master's	Private
Mount St. Mary's College	53	25,358	1,931	Master's	Private
Notre Dame de Namur University	58	24,650	1,024	Master's	Private
Occidental College	81	35,373	1,859	Baccalaureate	Private
Pacific Union College	41	21,435	1,282	Baccalaureate	Private
Pepperdine University	79	37,000	6,075	Research	Private
Pitzer College	71	35,912	974	Baccalaureate	Private
Point Loma Nazarene University	70	23,730	3,039	Master's	Private
Pomona College	94	33,932	1,547	Baccalaureate	Private
Saint Mary's College of California	67	31,080	3,277	Master's	Private
San Diego State University	56	3,428	30,914	Research	Public
San Francisco State University	44	3,456	25,589	Master's	Public
San Jose State University	42	3,632	26,233	Master's	Public
Santa Clara University	84	33,000	7,415	Master's	Private
Scripps College	80	35,850	914	Baccalaureate	Private
Simpson University	50	18,600	979	Baccalaureate	Private
Sonoma State University	56	3,946	7,851	Master's	Public
Stanford University	95	35,089	16,392	Research	Private
The Master's College and Seminary	51	22,140	1,268	Baccalaureate	Private
Thomas Aquinas College	80	20,400	360	Baccalaureate	Private
University of California, Berkeley	88	7,165	33,855	Research	Public
University of California, Davis	79	8,124	28,868	Research	Public
University of California, Irvine	80	7,556	25,839	Research	Public
University of California, Los Angeles	90	7,165	36,733	Research	Public

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Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
University of California, Riverside	66	7,355	16,880	Research	Public
University of California, San Diego	84	7,456	26,466	Research	Public
University of California, Santa Barbara	80	7,896	21,054	Research	Public
University of California, Santa Cruz	68	7,646	15,466	Research	Public
University of La Verne	59	25,590	5,358	Research	Private
University of Redlands	67	30,626	4,154	Master's	Private
University of San Diego	74	32,564	6,719	Research	Private
University of San Francisco	65	31,180	8,200	Research	Private
University of Southern California	85	35,809	30,768	Research	Private
University of the Pacific	60	28,980	5,807	Research	Private
Vanguard University of Southern California	51	22,986	1,883	Baccalaureate	Private
Westmont College	69	31,212	1,322	Baccalaureate	Private
Whittier College	58	30,160	1,825	Baccalaureate	Private
Woodbury University	49	25,758	1,362	Master's	Private
State Average	59.7				
<b>Colorado</b>					
Adams State College	29	3,466	2,244	Master's	Public
Colorado Christian University	8	19,000	1,504	Master's	Private
Colorado College	83	33,972	2,062	Baccalaureate	Private
Colorado School of Mines	67	10,050	4,040	Research	Public
Colorado State University	62	5,419	24,038	Research	Public
Colorado State University, Pueblo	36	4,156	4,262	Baccalaureate	Public
Colorado Technical University, Greenwood Village	17	10,095	410	Master's	Private
Colorado Technical University, Colorado Springs	25	10,095	1,403	Master's	Private
DeVry University, Colorado	30	14,020	708	Baccalaureate	Private
Fort Lewis College	30	6,448	3,714	Baccalaureate	Public
Mesa State College	42	4,064	5,155	Baccalaureate	Public
Metropolitan State College of Denver	23	3,079	16,301	Baccalaureate	Public
Regis University	60	26,800	7,657	Master's	Private
United States Air Force Academy	77	0	4,461	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Colorado at Boulder	67	6,636	28,171	Research	Public
University of Colorado at Colorado Springs	41	5,726	6,576	Master's	Public
University of Colorado at Denver	39	5,932	14,365	Research	Public
University of Denver	74	32,232	9,257	Research	Private
University of Northern Colorado	48	4,313	11,091	Research	Public
Western State College of Colorado	36	3,586	1,985	Baccalaureate	Public
State Average	44.7				
<b>Connecticut</b>					
Albertus Magnus College	57	21,114	1,917	Baccalaureate	Private
Central Connecticut State University	44	6,734	9,684	Master's	Public
Connecticut College	81	N/A	1,833	Baccalaureate	Private
Eastern Connecticut State University	48	6,961	4,474	Master's	Public

(table A5 continued)

Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
Fairfield University	81	33,905	4,223	Master's	Private
Mitchell College	36	23,093	807	Baccalaureate	Private
Post University	36	22,550	935	Baccalaureate	Private
Quinnipiac University	72	28,720	6,651	Master's	Private
Sacred Heart University	66	27,150	4,714	Master's	Private
Saint Joseph College	55	24,690	1,218	Master's	Private
Southern Connecticut State University	38	6,623	9,495	Master's	Public
Trinity College	87	36,870	2,312	Baccalaureate	Private
United States Coast Guard Academy	81	3,000	963	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Bridgeport	43	22,860	3,734	Research	Private
University of Connecticut	74	8,852	21,373	Research	Public
University of Hartford	54	26,996	6,091	Research	Private
University of New Haven	36	26,396	4,029	Master's	Private
Wesleyan University	92	36,806	3,079	Baccalaureate	Private
Western Connecticut State University	38	6,624	5,150	Master's	Public
Yale University	96	34,530	11,345	Research	Private
State Average	60.8				
<b>Delaware</b>					
Delaware State University	37	6,146	3,323	Master's	Public
Goldey, Beacom College	47	14,850	863	Special	Private
University of Delaware	78	8,150	18,716	Research	Public
Wesley College	38	17,579	2,113	Baccalaureate	Private
Wilmington University	35	8,450	5,345	Research	Private
State Average	47.0				
<b>District of Columbia</b>					
American University	73	31,425	9,757	Research	Private
Catholic University of America	75	28,990	5,288	Research	Private
George Washington University	78	39,240	19,385	Research	Private
Georgetown University	93	35,964	13,657	Research	Private
Howard University	69	14,020	9,543	Research	Private
Southeastern University	48	10,470	427	Master's	Private
Trinity Washington University	36	18,807	1,131	Master's	Private
University of the District of Columbia	19	3,140	3,689	Master's	Public
State Average	61.4				
<b>Florida</b>					
Barry University	39	24,752	7,093	Research	Private
Beacon College	71	26,950	117	Baccalaureate	Private
Bethune-Cookman University	34	12,382	3,304	Baccalaureate	Private
Carlos Albizu University, Miami Campus	10	11,724	851	Special	Private
Clearwater Christian College	42	13,160	577	Baccalaureate	Private
DeVry University, Florida	26	14,020	2,190	Master's	Private
Eckerd College	58	29,160	2,260	Baccalaureate	Private
Edward Waters College	9	9,176	772	Baccalaureate	Private

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Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach	61	26,496	4,644	Master's	Private
Flagler College	60	11,810	2,496	Baccalaureate	Private
Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University	39	3,274	10,678	Research	Public
Florida Atlantic University	38	2,694	18,915	Research	Public
Florida Gulf Coast University	35	3,647	7,656	Master's	Public
Florida Institute of Technology	56	28,920	3,886	Research	Private
Florida International University	49	3,130	28,951	Research	Public
Florida Memorial University	38	12,254	1,657	Baccalaureate	Private
Florida Southern College	54	21,190	1,899	Baccalaureate	Private
Florida State University	69	3,355	36,327	Research	Public
Hodges University	35	10,238	1,373	Master's	Private
Jacksonville University	72	22,500	2,534	Master's	Private
Lynn University	34	28,490	2,248	Master's	Private
New College of Florida	56	3,850	767	Baccalaureate	Public
Northwood University, Florida Education Center	39	16,705	810	Special	Private
Nova Southeastern University	47	19,450	19,023	Research	Private
Palm Beach Atlantic University, West Palm Beach	52	20,210	2,998	Master's	Private
Rollins College	68	32,640	3,040	Master's	Private
Saint Leo University	41	16,420	9,894	Master's	Private
Saint Thomas University	34	19,680	2,144	Master's	Private
Southeastern University	37	13,480	2,798	Baccalaureate	Private
Stetson University	67	28,780	3,438	Master's	Private
University of Central Florida	59	3,562	39,639	Research	Public
University of Florida	81	3,257	47,600	Research	Public
University of Miami	76	33,018	14,700	Research	Private
University of North Florida	46	2,793	13,171	Master's	Public
University of South Florida	49	3,457	35,247	Research	Public
University of Tampa	53	20,682	5,051	Master's	Private
University of West Florida	48	2,860	8,039	Research	Public
Warner Southern College	39	13,860	1,099	Baccalaureate	Private
Webber International University	52	16,760	549	Special	Private
State Average	48.0				
<b>Georgia</b>					
Agnes Scott College	69	27,387	874	Baccalaureate	Private
Albany State University	41	3,470	3,545	Master's	Public
American InterContinental University	13	16,736	695	Master's	Private
Armstrong Atlantic State University	26	3,424	5,219	Master's	Public
Augusta State University	23	3,242	5,230	Master's	Public
Berry College	60	20,570	1,770	Baccalaureate	Private
Brenau University	50	17,700	1,938	Master's	Private
Brewton-Parker College	29	14,050	848	Baccalaureate	Private

(table A5 continued)

Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
Clark Atlanta University	44	16,100	3,945	Research	Private
Clayton State University	24	3,582	4,433	Baccalaureate	Public
Columbus State University	33	3,514	5,971	Master's	Public
Covenant College	58	22,840	1,285	Baccalaureate	Private
DeVry University, Georgia	24	13,220	3,087	Master's	Private
Emory University	87	34,336	12,040	Research	Private
Fort Valley State University	32	3,558	2,382	Master's	Public
Georgia College & State University	46	4,750	5,618	Master's	Public
Georgia Institute of Technology, Main Campus	78	5,305	17,558	Research	Public
Georgia Southern University	45	4,082	15,062	Research	Public
Georgia Southwestern State University	35	3,546	2,006	Master's	Public
Georgia State University	47	5,484	22,136	Research	Public
Kennesaw State University	33	3,806	16,722	Master's	Public
LaGrange College	49	18,500	1,031	Baccalaureate	Private
Mercer University	53	26,960	6,245	Master's	Private
Morehouse College	60	18,678	2,718	Baccalaureate	Private
North Georgia College & State University	48	3,810	4,355	Master's	Public
Oglethorpe University	53	24,442	921	Baccalaureate	Private
Paine College	31	10,694	876	Baccalaureate	Private
Piedmont College	48	16,500	1,609	Master's	Private
Reinhardt College	35	14,870	953	Baccalaureate	Private
Savannah State University	40	3,486	2,860	Master's	Public
Shorter College	47	15,160	1,011	Baccalaureate	Private
Shorter College, Professional Studies	31	8,260	1,908	N/A	Private
South University, Savannah	13	16,760	3,075	Baccalaureate	Private
Southern Polytechnic State University	23	3,872	3,517	Master's	Public
Spelman College	78	18,615	2,278	Baccalaureate	Private
Thomas University	70	10,570	540	Baccalaureate	Private
Toccoa Falls College	49	13,825	927	Baccalaureate	Private
University of Georgia	77	5,622	31,008	Research	Public
University of West Georgia	37	3,918	8,944	Master's	Public
Valdosta State University	41	4,038	9,812	Master's	Public
Wesleyan College	52	16,500	521	Baccalaureate	Private
State Average	44.7				
<b>Hawaii</b>					
Brigham Young University, Hawaii	46	3,250	2,244	Baccalaureate	Private
Chaminade University of Honolulu	39	15,470	2,115	Master's	Private
Hawaii Pacific University	40	13,080	5,979	Master's	Private
University of Hawaii at Hilo	36	3,676	3,118	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Hawaii at Manoa	55	5,390	16,505	Research	Public
State Average	43.2				
<b>Idaho</b>					
Boise State University	28	4,410	14,876	Master's	Public

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Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
College of Idaho	59	17,680	811	Baccalaureate	Private
Idaho State University	31	4,400	10,070	Research	Public
Lewis-Clark State College	27	4,092	2,814	Baccalaureate	Public
Northwest Nazarene University	52	19,970	1,704	Master's	Private
University of Idaho	53	4,410	10,138	Research	Public
State Average	41.7				
<b>Illinois</b>					
Augustana College	76	26,484	2,518	Baccalaureate	Private
Aurora University	45	16,850	2,897	Master's	Private
Benedictine University	60	21,310	3,284	Master's	Private
Blackburn College	49	15,770	609	Baccalaureate	Private
Bradley University	76	21,378	5,551	Master's	Private
Chicago State University	16	7,730	4,895	Master's	Public
Columbia College Chicago	33	17,584	11,082	Master's	Private
Concordia University	48	21,320	2,429	Master's	Private
DePaul University	62	24,394	19,528	Research	Private
DeVry University, Illinois	33	13,220	11,709	Master's	Private
Dominican University	61	22,450	2,454	Master's	Private
Eastern Illinois University	60	7,990	10,868	Master's	Public
Elmhurst College	67	24,660	2,815	Master's	Private
Eureka College	53	15,360	654	Baccalaureate	Private
Greenville College	54	18,672	1,450	Baccalaureate	Private
Illinois College	58	18,800	997	Baccalaureate	Private
Illinois Institute of Technology	67	26,756	6,175	Research	Private
Illinois State University	65	9,019	18,706	Research	Public
Illinois Wesleyan University	82	30,750	2,090	Baccalaureate	Private
Judson University	55	20,420	1,083	Baccalaureate	Private
Knox College	72	29,178	1,361	Baccalaureate	Private
Lake Forest College	69	30,964	1,433	Baccalaureate	Private
Lewis University	53	20,450	3,961	Master's	Private
Loyola University, Chicago	65	27,966	14,210	Research	Private
MacMurray College	67	16,850	612	Baccalaureate	Private
McKendree University	60	20,150	2,461	Baccalaureate	Private
Millikin University	67	23,945	2,296	Baccalaureate	Private
Monmouth College	60	22,000	1,337	Baccalaureate	Private
National-Louis University	12	17,725	4,607	Master's	Private
North Central College	66	24,564	2,290	Master's	Private
North Park University	53	20,015	2,516	Master's	Private
Northeastern Illinois University	19	5,641	8,739	Master's	Public
Northern Illinois University	52	8,588	21,547	Research	Public
Northwestern University	93	35,429	17,026	Research	Private
Olivet Nazarene University	57	19,590	3,567	Master's	Private
Quincy University	48	19,600	1,092	Baccalaureate	Private
Rockford College	34	22,950	1,202	Master's	Private

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Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
Roosevelt University	31	16,980	4,778	Master's	Private
Saint Xavier University	54	21,236	3,959	Master's	Private
Shimer College	40	24,890	60	Baccalaureate	Private
Southern Illinois University Carbondale	46	8,899	18,447	Research	Public
Southern Illinois University Edwardsville	45	7,033	11,514	Master's	Public
Trinity Christian College	60	19,241	1,200	Baccalaureate	Private
Trinity International University	47	21,080	2,013	Research	Private
University of Chicago	90	35,868	12,880	Research	Private
University of Illinois at Chicago	50	10,546	23,015	Research	Public
University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign	82	11,130	40,248	Research	Public
University of St. Francis	62	20,830	2,286	Master's	Private
Western Illinois University	57	8,079	11,878	Master's	Public
Wheaton College	86	23,730	2,690	Baccalaureate	Private
State Average	56.3				
<b>Indiana</b>					
Anderson University	53	20,976	2,299	Master's	Private
Ball State University	59	7,212	17,762	Research	Public
Bethel College	64	18,900	1,672	Baccalaureate	Private
Butler University	74	26,806	4,161	Master's	Private
Calumet College of Saint Joseph	21	11,650	765	Master's	Private
DePauw University	81	29,700	2,376	Baccalaureate	Private
Earlham College	75	31,514	1,325	Baccalaureate	Private
Franklin College	58	21,325	1,060	Baccalaureate	Private
Goshen College	63	21,300	911	Baccalaureate	Private
Grace College and Theological Seminary	59	19,424	1,268	Baccalaureate	Private
Hanover College	59	24,220	923	Baccalaureate	Private
Huntington University	59	19,430	1,021	Baccalaureate	Private
Indiana Institute of Technology	27	19,480	2,493	Special	Private
Indiana State University	42	6,812	9,002	Research	Public
Indiana University, Bloomington	72	7,837	36,151	Research	Public
Indiana University, East	17	5,292	1,666	Baccalaureate	Public
Indiana University, Kokomo	30	5,325	1,989	Baccalaureate	Public
Indiana University, Northwest	32	5,398	3,443	Master's	Public
Indiana University–Purdue University, Fort Wayne	26	5,681	9,203	Master's	Public
Indiana University–Purdue University, Indianapolis	31	6,850	22,838	Research	Public
Indiana University, South Bend	27	5,490	5,332	Master's	Public
Indiana University, Southeast	30	5,375	4,477	Master's	Public
Indiana Wesleyan University	66	18,284	14,148	Master's	Private
Manchester College	55	21,640	1,016	Baccalaureate	Private
Marian College	54	20,800	1,672	Baccalaureate	Private
Oakland City University	26	14,820	1,661	Master's	Private
Purdue University, Calumet Campus	23	5,757	7,186	Master's	Public
Purdue University, Main Campus	70	7,416	37,786	Research	Public

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Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	83	30,768	1,883	Special	Private
Saint Joseph's College	51	21,880	1,038	Baccalaureate	Private
Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College	51	20,180	951	Baccalaureate	Private
Saint Mary's College	75	26,875	1,583	Baccalaureate	Private
Taylor University	76	23,260	1,847	Baccalaureate	Private
Tri-State University	50	22,250	1,254	Baccalaureate	Private
University of Evansville	63	24,340	2,653	Master's	Private
University of Indianapolis	52	19,690	3,717	Master's	Private
University of Notre Dame	95	35,187	11,657	Research	Private
University of Saint Francis, Ft. Wayne	47	19,570	1,802	Master's	Private
University of Southern Indiana	33	4,458	8,617	Master's	Public
Valparaiso University	77	25,200	3,626	Master's	Private
Wabash College	71	26,350	915	Baccalaureate	Private
State Average	53.1				
<b>Iowa</b>					
Ashford University	41	15,340	10,504	Baccalaureate	Private
Briar Cliff University	45	19,995	1,030	Baccalaureate	Private
Buena Vista University	54	23,842	2,302	Baccalaureate	Private
Central College	72	22,510	1,573	Baccalaureate	Private
Clarke College	71	21,312	1,075	Baccalaureate	Private
Coe College	67	26,390	1,258	Baccalaureate	Private
Cornell College	64	26,280	1,073	Baccalaureate	Private
Dordt College	70	19,900	1,260	Baccalaureate	Private
Drake University	73	23,692	4,711	Master's	Private
Graceland University, Lamoni	48	17,900	2,131	Master's	Private
Grand View College	39	17,752	1,503	Baccalaureate	Private
Grinnell College	87	33,910	1,635	Baccalaureate	Private
Iowa State University	66	6,161	24,049	Research	Public
Iowa Wesleyan College	23	18,870	714	Baccalaureate	Private
Loras College	64	23,330	1,517	Baccalaureate	Private
Luther College	74	28,840	2,450	Baccalaureate	Private
Maharishi University of Management	43	24,430	813	Master's	Private
Morningside College	50	20,164	1,404	Baccalaureate	Private
Mount Mercy College	58	20,070	1,161	Baccalaureate	Private
Northwestern College	61	21,648	1,288	Baccalaureate	Private
Saint Ambrose University	61	20,580	3,098	Master's	Private
Simpson College	65	23,596	1,716	Baccalaureate	Private
University of Dubuque	44	19,180	1,450	Baccalaureate	Private
University of Iowa	66	6,293	25,685	Research	Public
University of Northern Iowa	65	6,190	11,335	Master's	Public
Upper Iowa University	36	19,625	3,574	Master's	Private
Wartburg College	67	24,300	1,769	Baccalaureate	Private
William Penn University	21	16,880	1,889	Baccalaureate	Private
State Average	57.0				

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Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
<b>Kansas</b>					
Baker University	59	18,830	2,381	Baccalaureate	Private
Benedictine College	55	17,700	1,534	Master's	Private
Bethany College	56	17,110	522	Baccalaureate	Private
Bethel College	50	17,800	523	Baccalaureate	Private
Emporia State University	45	3,926	4,961	Master's	Public
Fort Hays State University	50	2,685	6,497	Master's	Public
Friends University	24	17,220	2,396	Master's	Private
Kansas State University	58	6,235	20,184	Research	Public
Kansas Wesleyan University	34	17,400	748	Baccalaureate	Private
McPherson College	42	16,400	517	Baccalaureate	Private
MidAmerica Nazarene University	49	17,090	1,473	Master's	Private
Newman University	45	17,928	1,531	Master's	Private
Ottawa University	34	17,350	471	Baccalaureate	Private
Pittsburg State University	52	4,060	6,281	Master's	Public
Southwestern College	45	17,820	1,027	Master's	Private
Sterling College	50	15,500	571	Baccalaureate	Private
Tabor College	50	17,640	512	Baccalaureate	Private
University of Kansas	60	6,600	24,988	Research	Public
University of Saint Mary	31	17,270	623	Master's	Private
Washburn University	49	5,636	5,547	Master's	Public
Wichita State University	42	4,804	10,846	Research	Public
State Average	46.7				
<b>Kentucky</b>					
Alice Lloyd College	34	8,250	604	Baccalaureate	Private
Asbury College	64	21,286	1,304	Baccalaureate	Private
Bellarmine University	60	26,120	2,521	Master's	Private
Berea College	63	790	1,552	Baccalaureate	Private
Brescia University	50	14,220	460	Baccalaureate	Private
Campbellsville University	39	17,200	1,886	Baccalaureate	Private
Centre College	73	28,000	1,187	Baccalaureate	Private
Eastern Kentucky University	37	6,142	13,267	Master's	Public
Georgetown College	62	22,360	1,574	Baccalaureate	Private
Kentucky Christian University	39	12,555	586	Special	Private
Kentucky State University	27	5,320	2,255	Baccalaureate	Public
Kentucky Wesleyan College	33	14,550	923	Baccalaureate	Private
Lindsey Wilson College	25	15,806	1,756	Baccalaureate	Private
Midway College	32	15,775	1,181	Baccalaureate	Private
Morehead State University	35	5,280	7,194	Master's	Public
Murray State University	50	5,418	9,111	Master's	Public
Northern Kentucky University	33	5,952	11,823	Master's	Public
Pikeville College	30	13,750	1,056	Baccalaureate	Private
Spalding University	24	16,950	1,342	Research	Private
Thomas More College	41	21,220	1,410	Master's	Private

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Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
Transylvania University	73	22,300	1,146	Baccalaureate	Private
Union College	36	16,020	1,085	Master's	Private
University of Kentucky	62	7,096	23,600	Research	Public
University of Louisville	44	6,940	17,294	Research	Public
University of the Cumberlands	41	13,658	1,839	Baccalaureate	Private
Western Kentucky University	45	6,416	16,044	Master's	Public
State Average	44.3				
<b>Louisiana</b>					
Centenary College of Louisiana	55	20,950	878	Baccalaureate	Private
Dillard University	48	12,240	912	Baccalaureate	Private
Grambling State University	32	3,622	4,817	Master's	Public
Louisiana College	46	11,490	935	Baccalaureate	Private
Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College	60	4,543	26,901	Research	Public
Louisiana State University, Shreveport	26	3,520	3,067	Master's	Public
Louisiana Tech University	47	4,622	8,754	Research	Public
Loyola University, New Orleans	68	26,508	3,657	Master's	Private
McNeese State University	35	3,262	6,933	Master's	Public
Nicholls State University	25	3,595	5,767	Master's	Public
Northwestern State University of Louisiana	32	3,713	7,116	Master's	Public
Our Lady of Holy Cross College	45	7,350	895	Baccalaureate	Private
Southeastern Louisiana University	32	3,561	12,743	Master's	Public
Southern University and A & M College	29	3,666	7,328	Master's	Public
Southern University at New Orleans	8	2,970	2,184	Master's	Public
Tulane University of Louisiana	76	36,610	9,116	Research	Private
University of Louisiana at Lafayette	41	3,402	14,531	Research	Public
University of Louisiana at Monroe	32	3,607	7,356	Master's	Public
University of New Orleans	24	3,984	9,085	Research	Public
Xavier University of Louisiana	40	13,800	2,998	Master's	Private
State Average	40.1				
<b>Maine</b>					
Bates College	89	N/A	1,660	Baccalaureate	Private
Bowdoin College	88	36,370	1,712	Baccalaureate	Private
Colby College	87	N/A	1,867	Baccalaureate	Private
College of the Atlantic	54	29,970	336	Baccalaureate	Private
Husson College	42	11,970	1,997	Master's	Private
Maine Maritime Academy	64	8,805	885	Baccalaureate	Public
Saint Joseph's College of Maine	60	23,300	1,819	Master's	Private
Thomas College	56	18,710	766	Baccalaureate	Private
Unity College	43	19,595	545	Baccalaureate	Private
University of Maine	59	8,330	10,130	Research	Public
University of Maine at Farmington	62	7,157	2,202	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Maine at Fort Kent	44	5,753	952	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Maine at Machias	50	5,770	702	Baccalaureate	Public

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Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
University of Maine at Presque Isle	36	5,740	1,263	Baccalaureate	Public
University of New England	50	25,605	3,407	Master's	Private
University of Southern Maine	34	6,970	7,752	Master's	Public
State Average	57.4				
<b>Maryland</b>					
Bowie State University	37	5,939	4,473	Master's	Public
Capitol College	22	19,356	436	Special	Private
College of Notre Dame of Maryland	63	24,500	1,719	Master's	Private
Columbia Union College	35	19,375	850	Baccalaureate	Private
Coppin State University	19	4,980	3,166	Master's	Public
Frostburg State University	51	6,550	4,568	Master's	Public
Goucher College	67	31,082	1,876	Baccalaureate	Private
Hood College	71	25,076	1,811	Master's	Private
Johns Hopkins University	90	35,900	14,735	Research	Private
Loyola College in Maryland	83	34,250	4,916	Master's	Private
McDaniel College	72	28,940	2,533	Baccalaureate	Private
Morgan State University	38	6,318	6,529	Research	Public
Mount St. Mary's University	66	25,890	1,916	Master's	Private
Salisbury University	68	6,412	6,958	Master's	Public
Sojourner-Douglass College	29	7,478	935	Baccalaureate	Private
St. John's College	71	36,596	557	Baccalaureate	Private
St. Mary's College of Maryland	83	11,989	1,957	Baccalaureate	Public
Towson University	66	7,234	16,861	Master's	Public
United States Naval Academy	82	0	4,441	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Maryland, Eastern Shore	37	5,988	3,718	Master's	Public
University of Maryland, Baltimore County	61	8,708	10,148	Research	Public
University of Maryland, College Park	80	7,969	32,660	Research	Public
Villa Julie College	61	17,944	2,885	Baccalaureate	Private
Washington College	73	32,160	1,218	Baccalaureate	Private
State Average	59.4				
<b>Massachusetts</b>					
American International College	50	22,500	2,083	Master's	Private
Amherst College	96	36,232	1,683	Baccalaureate	Private
Anna Maria College	56	24,617	946	Master's	Private
Assumption College	69	27,485	2,550	Master's	Private
Atlantic Union College	98	16,080	484	Baccalaureate	Private
Babson College	89	34,112	2,676	Special	Private
Bay Path College	48	22,073	1,327	Baccalaureate	Private
Bentley College	87	31,696	4,850	Master's	Private
Boston College	91	35,674	12,918	Research	Private
Boston University	82	35,418	28,203	Research	Private
Brandeis University	89	35,702	4,960	Research	Private
Bridgewater State College	48	6,033	8,175	Master's	Public
Clark University	76	32,865	2,946	Research	Private

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Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
College of Our Lady of the Elms	89	23,380	994	Baccalaureate	Private
College of the Holy Cross	92	35,142	2,829	Baccalaureate	Private
Curry College	47	25,755	2,497	Baccalaureate	Private
Eastern Nazarene College	53	20,788	1,043	Baccalaureate	Private
Emerson College	72	27,366	4,132	Master's	Private
Emmanuel College	57	26,250	2,087	Master's	Private
Endicott College	64	22,950	2,590	Baccalaureate	Private
Fitchburg State College	47	5,992	4,711	Master's	Public
Framingham State College	43	5,799	4,212	Master's	Public
Gordon College	71	25,748	1,568	Baccalaureate	Private
Hampshire College	71	36,545	1,431	Baccalaureate	Private
Harvard University	97	34,998	21,904	Research	Private
Lasell College	46	21,850	1,340	Baccalaureate	Private
Lesley University	58	25,750	4,100	Master's	Private
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts	46	6,168	1,548	Baccalaureate	Public
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	93	34,986	10,057	Research	Private
Massachusetts Maritime Academy	64	7,113	1,088	Baccalaureate	Public
Merrimack College	78	27,040	1,901	Baccalaureate	Private
Mount Holyoke College	89	35,940	2,174	Baccalaureate	Private
Mount Ida College	38	21,330	1,368	Baccalaureate	Private
Newbury College, Brookline	49	20,000	1,035	Baccalaureate	Private
Nichols College	47	25,700	1,216	Special	Private
Northeastern University	66	31,899	21,184	Research	Private
Pine Manor College	55	17,750	463	Baccalaureate	Private
Regis College	60	25,990	1,133	Master's	Private
Salem State College	37	6,210	7,534	Master's	Public
Simmons College	73	28,302	3,318	Master's	Private
Smith College	86	34,186	3,025	Baccalaureate	Private
Springfield College	68	24,075	4,281	Master's	Private
Stonehill College	85	28,440	2,394	Baccalaureate	Private
Suffolk University	52	24,270	7,481	Master's	Private
Tufts University	89	36,700	9,195	Research	Private
University of Massachusetts, Amherst	66	9,921	22,655	Research	Public
University of Massachusetts, Boston	35	8,837	9,949	Research	Public
University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth	47	8,592	7,925	Master's	Public
University of Massachusetts, Lowell	44	8,731	8,701	Research	Public
Wellesley College	92	34,994	2,294	Baccalaureate	Private
Wentworth Institute of Technology	48	20,930	3,488	Special	Private
Western New England College	65	25,942	3,203	Master's	Private
Westfield State College	56	6,209	4,697	Master's	Public
Wheaton College	79	36,690	1,655	Baccalaureate	Private
Wheelock College	57	26,080	947	Master's	Private
Williams College	95	35,670	2,053	Baccalaureate	Private
Worcester Polytechnic Institute	76	34,830	3,723	Research	Private
Worcester State College	40	5,864	4,190	Master's	Public
State Average	66.6				

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<b>Michigan</b>					
Adrian College	50	21,620	1,309	Baccalaureate	Private
Albion College	71	27,530	1,912	Baccalaureate	Private
Alma College	70	23,688	1,318	Baccalaureate	Private
Andrews University	52	18,968	2,592	Research	Private
Aquinas College	57	20,048	1,779	Master's	Private
Calvin College	73	21,685	4,109	Baccalaureate	Private
Central Michigan University	57	9,120	22,301	Research	Public
Cleary University	83	14,160	570	Special	Private
Concordia University, Ann Arbor	38	19,870	962	Baccalaureate	Private
Cornerstone University	42	18,360	2,065	Master's	Private
Davenport University	23	9,956	6,552	Master's	Private
Eastern Michigan University	39	7,490	17,079	Master's	Public
Ferris State University	39	7,668	11,055	Master's	Public
Grace Bible College	47	11,620	154	Baccalaureate	Private
Grand Valley State University	52	7,240	20,198	Master's	Public
Hope College	78	23,800	3,140	Baccalaureate	Private
Kalamazoo College	78	28,716	1,314	Baccalaureate	Private
Kettering University	56	25,808	2,375	Special	Private
Lake Superior State University	37	7,246	2,376	Baccalaureate	Public
Lawrence Technological University	48	20,496	2,765	Master's	Private
Madonna University	44	11,680	2,565	Master's	Private
Marygrove College	29	14,690	2,464	Master's	Private
Michigan State University	74	9,690	42,597	Research	Public
Michigan Technological University	63	9,829	6,254	Research	Public
Northern Michigan University	49	6,709	8,437	Master's	Public
Northwood University	53	16,705	3,263	Special	Private
Oakland University	44	7,575	14,061	Research	Public
Olivet College	37	18,684	978	Baccalaureate	Private
Rochester College	35	14,860	778	Baccalaureate	Private
Saginaw Valley State University	36	6,258	7,809	Master's	Public
Siena Heights University	50	18,494	1,316	Master's	Private
Spring Arbor University	60	18,360	3,273	Master's	Private
University of Detroit Mercy	52	25,620	4,511	Master's	Private
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor	88	10,447	39,199	Research	Public
University of Michigan, Dearborn	53	7,519	5,959	Master's	Public
University of Michigan, Flint	35	6,966	5,050	Master's	Public
Wayne State University	32	7,844	23,905	Research	Public
Western Michigan University	54	7,260	20,646	Research	Public
State Average	52.1				
<b>Minnesota</b>					
Augsburg College	60	24,046	3,276	Master's	Private
Bemidji State University	61	6,738	3,803	Master's	Public
Bethel University	76	24,510	3,655	Master's	Private

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Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
Carleton College	93	36,156	1,994	Baccalaureate	Private
College of Saint Benedict	82	26,570	2,065	Baccalaureate	Private
College of Saint Scholastica	64	24,990	2,906	Master's	Private
College of St. Catherine	53	25,942	3,997	Master's	Private
Concordia College at Moorhead	69	22,350	2,774	Baccalaureate	Private
Concordia University, Saint Paul	45	23,496	2,086	Master's	Private
Gustavus Adolphus College	86	28,515	2,596	Baccalaureate	Private
Hamline University	69	26,614	3,736	Master's	Private
Macalester College	86	33,694	1,891	Baccalaureate	Private
Minnesota State University, Mankato	50	6,050	13,020	Master's	Public
Minnesota State University, Moorhead	46	5,948	6,615	Master's	Public
North Central University	49	13,666	1,143	Baccalaureate	Private
Northwestern College	60	20,990	2,427	Baccalaureate	Private
Saint Cloud State University	46	5,955	14,275	Master's	Public
Saint John's University	80	26,570	2,012	Baccalaureate	Private
Saint Mary's University of Minnesota	53	22,398	3,547	Research	Private
Southwest Minnesota State University	47	6,518	3,925	Master's	Public
St. Olaf College	86	30,600	3,007	Baccalaureate	Private
University of Minnesota, Crookston	34	8,821	1,603	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Minnesota, Duluth	50	9,093	10,143	Master's	Public
University of Minnesota, Morris	57	9,331	1,602	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities	63	9,598	41,927	Research	Public
University of St. Thomas	72	26,274	8,381	Research	Private
Winona State University	55	7,324	7,597	Master's	Public
State Average	62.7				
<b>Mississippi</b>					
Alcorn State University	43	4,324	3,173	Master's	Public
Belhaven College	33	15,580	2,403	Master's	Private
Blue Mountain College	58	8,100	396	Baccalaureate	Private
Delta State University	45	4,248	3,436	Master's	Public
Jackson State University	36	4,476	7,431	Research	Public
Millsaps College	69	23,352	1,104	Baccalaureate	Private
Mississippi College	62	12,494	3,781	Master's	Private
Mississippi State University	58	4,978	14,932	Research	Public
Mississippi University for Women	35	4,209	1,991	Master's	Public
Mississippi Valley State University	36	4,467	2,622	Master's	Public
Rust College	29	6,600	882	Baccalaureate	Private
Tougaloo College	46	9,710	832	Baccalaureate	Private
University of Mississippi, Main Campus	53	4,932	13,977	Research	Public
University of Southern Mississippi	48	4,914	12,724	Research	Public
William Carey University	40	9,015	2,170	Master's	Private
State Average	46.1				
<b>Missouri</b>					
Avila University	35	18,850	1,547	Master's	Private

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Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
Central Methodist University, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences	40	17,160	908	Baccalaureate	Private
College of the Ozarks	62	16,180	1,346	Baccalaureate	Private
Columbia College	43	13,034	9,732	Master's	Private
Culver–Stockton College	47	16,800	798	Baccalaureate	Private
DeVry University, Missouri	41	13,220	921	Master's	Private
Drury University	68	16,979	3,852	Master's	Private
Evangel University	45	13,915	1,566	Baccalaureate	Private
Fontbonne University	51	18,320	2,388	Master's	Private
Hannibal-Lagrange College	57	13,630	982	Baccalaureate	Private
Lindenwood University	40	12,640	8,137	Master's	Private
Maryville University of Saint Louis	64	19,050	2,430	Master's	Private
Missouri Baptist University	41	15,850	2,702	Master's	Private
Missouri Southern State University	33	4,006	4,603	Baccalaureate	Public
Missouri State University	55	5,988	16,171	Master's	Public
Missouri University of Science and Technology	61	8,085	5,529	Research	Public
Missouri Valley College	25	15,450	1,520	Baccalaureate	Private
Missouri Western State University	31	5,026	4,324	Baccalaureate	Public
Northwest Missouri State University	52	5,193	5,776	Master's	Public
Park University	37	7,310	5,917	Master's	Private
Rockhurst University	65	22,640	2,344	Master's	Private
Saint Louis University, Main Campus	74	28,878	11,816	Research	Private
Southeast Missouri State University	51	5,925	8,448	Master's	Public
Southwest Baptist University	47	14,950	2,599	Master's	Private
Stephens College	58	21,730	918	Baccalaureate	Private
Truman State University	70	6,432	5,777	Master's	Public
University of Central Missouri	48	5,104	8,844	Master's	Public
University of Missouri, Columbia	67	7,603	25,714	Research	Public
University of Missouri, Kansas City	43	7,450	10,608	Research	Public
University of Missouri, St. Louis	43	8,264	10,269	Research	Public
Washington University in St. Louis	92	35,524	11,929	Research	Private
Webster University	61	19,330	11,535	Master's	Private
Westminster College	59	15,946	960	Baccalaureate	Private
William Jewell College	65	21,400	1,195	Baccalaureate	Private
William Woods University	41	16,080	1,776	Master's	Private
State Average	51.8				
<b>Montana</b>					
Carroll College	58	19,620	1,279	Baccalaureate	Private
Montana State University	48	5,749	10,453	Research	Public
Montana State University, Billings	33	5,130	3,098	Master's	Public
Montana State University, Northern	26	4,840	1,035	Baccalaureate	Public
Montana Tech of the University of Montana	41	5,640	1,688	Baccalaureate	Public
Rocky Mountain College	54	17,774	859	Baccalaureate	Private
University of Great Falls	31	16,492	588	Master's	Private

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Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
University of Montana	42	5,141	12,129	Research	Public
University of Montana, Western	34	4,213	1,037	Baccalaureate	Public
State Average	40.8				
<b>Nebraska</b>					
Bellevue University	18	5,445	6,137	Master's	Private
Chadron State College	45	4,340	2,128	Baccalaureate	Public
Clarkson College	69	11,070	587	Special	Private
College of Saint Mary	46	20,136	821	Baccalaureate	Private
Concordia University	58	19,790	1,151	Baccalaureate	Private
Creighton University	75	26,634	6,563	Master's	Private
Dana College	49	19,370	616	Baccalaureate	Private
Doane College	67	19,150	914	Baccalaureate	Private
Hastings College	62	19,604	1,118	Baccalaureate	Private
Midland Lutheran College	54	20,924	815	Baccalaureate	Private
Nebraska Wesleyan University	70	20,252	1,873	Baccalaureate	Private
Peru State College	23	4,428	1,722	Baccalaureate	Public
Union College	53	16,130	903	Baccalaureate	Private
University of Nebraska at Kearney	58	5,098	5,464	Master's	Public
University of Nebraska at Omaha	41	5,390	11,200	Master's	Public
University of Nebraska, Lincoln	63	6,216	20,781	Research	Public
Wayne State College	46	4,322	2,977	Master's	Public
York College	48	14,000	380	Baccalaureate	Private
State Average	52.5				
<b>Nevada</b>					
Sierra Nevada College	27	22,005	739	Baccalaureate	Private
University of Nevada, Las Vegas	41	4,201	21,938	Research	Public
University of Nevada, Reno	46	4,128	13,551	Research	Public
State Average	38.0				
<b>New Hampshire</b>					
Colby-Sawyer College	58	28,010	938	Baccalaureate	Private
Daniel Webster College	41	25,741	924	Baccalaureate	Private
Dartmouth College	93	35,178	5,786	Research	Private
Franklin Pierce University	41	26,516	2,292	Baccalaureate	Private
Keene State College	58	8,298	4,787	Master's	Public
New England College	45	25,100	1,213	Baccalaureate	Private
Plymouth State University	53	7,944	5,056	Master's	Public
Rivier College	52	22,160	1,482	Master's	Private
Saint Anselm College	71	27,690	1,937	Baccalaureate	Private
Southern New Hampshire University	41	23,346	4,917	Master's	Private
Thomas More College of Liberal Arts	62	12,250	98	Baccalaureate	Private
University of New Hampshire, Main Campus	73	11,070	13,620	Research	Public
State Average	57.3				

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Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
<b>New Jersey</b>					
Berkeley College	43	18,150	2,795	Special	Private
Bloomfield College	38	18,000	1,765	Baccalaureate	Private
Caldwell College	50	22,000	1,643	Master's	Private
Centenary College	47	23,950	2,641	Master's	Private
College of New Jersey	83	11,307	6,440	Master's	Public
College of Saint Elizabeth	67	22,547	1,350	Master's	Private
Drew University	71	34,790	2,277	Baccalaureate	Private
Fairleigh Dickinson University, College at Florham	51	28,778	2,966	Master's	Private
Fairleigh Dickinson University, Metropolitan Campus	34	25,636	5,317	Master's	Private
Felician College	53	21,700	1,741	Baccalaureate	Private
Georgian Court University	56	22,078	2,187	Master's	Private
Kean University	42	8,505	10,431	Master's	Public
Monmouth University	60	23,034	5,435	Master's	Private
Montclair State University	61	8,895	13,571	Master's	Public
New Jersey City University	31	8,155	6,024	Master's	Public
New Jersey Institute of Technology	51	11,350	6,869	Research	Public
Princeton University	95	33,000	7,261	Research	Private
Ramapo College of New Jersey	65	9,965	5,152	Master's	Public
Richard Stockton College of New Jersey	68	9,697	6,524	Master's	Public
Rider University	58	26,230	4,890	Master's	Private
Rowan University	64	10,068	8,760	Master's	Public
Rutgers University, Camden	62	10,532	4,270	Master's	Public
Rutgers University, New Brunswick	73	10,686	31,188	Research	Public
Rutgers University, Newark	57	10,267	8,173	Research	Public
Saint Peter's College	45	24,026	2,566	Master's	Private
Seton Hall University	57	27,850	7,735	Research	Private
Stevens Institute of Technology	76	35,100	3,798	Research	Private
William Paterson University of New Jersey	47	9,996	8,715	Master's	Public
State Average	57.3				
<b>New Mexico</b>					
College of Santa Fe	46	26,072	635	Master's	Private
College of the Southwest	48	12,480	469	Master's	Private
Eastern New Mexico University, Main Campus	33	3,156	3,175	Master's	Public
New Mexico Highlands University	24	2,536	2,563	Master's	Public
New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology	44	4,104	1,472	Master's	Public
New Mexico State University, Main Campus	45	4,452	14,527	Research	Public
St. John's College	56	36,596	529	Baccalaureate	Private
University of New Mexico, Main Campus	44	4,571	20,870	Research	Public
Western New Mexico University	22	3,223	1,934	Master's	Public
State Average	40.2				

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<b>New York</b>					
Adelphi University	63	23,000	6,326	Research	Private
Alfred University	64	23,162	2,225	Master's	Private
Bard College	76	36,534	2,235	Baccalaureate	Private
Barnard College	89	35,190	2,313	Baccalaureate	Private
Berkeley College	46	18,150	3,138	Special	Private
Boricua College	38	9,225	1,058	Baccalaureate	Private
Canisius College	65	26,427	4,418	Master's	Private
Cazenovia College	43	21,500	995	Baccalaureate	Private
Clarkson University	70	29,160	2,923	Research	Private
Colgate University	90	37,660	2,818	Baccalaureate	Private
College of Mount Saint Vincent	53	22,750	1,514	Master's	Private
College of New Rochelle	37	23,700	5,199	Master's	Private
College of Saint Rose	68	20,620	4,196	Master's	Private
Columbia University in the City of New York	93	37,223	20,719	Research	Private
Concordia College	53	22,450	667	Baccalaureate	Private
Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art	83	33,050	943	Baccalaureate	Private
Cornell University	92	34,781	19,777	Research	Private
CUNY Bernard M. Baruch College	60	4,320	12,678	Master's	Public
CUNY Brooklyn College	47	4,381	11,977	Master's	Public
CUNY City College	36	4,279	10,699	Master's	Public
CUNY College of Staten Island	26	4,328	9,901	Master's	Public
CUNY Hunter College	36	4,349	15,271	Master's	Public
CUNY John Jay College of Criminal Justice	33	4,279	11,919	Master's	Public
CUNY Lehman College	34	4,290	7,797	Master's	Public
CUNY Queens College	53	4,397	13,741	Master's	Public
CUNY York College	28	4,262	5,208	Baccalaureate	Public
Daemen College	47	18,750	2,150	Master's	Private
DeVry Institute of Technology & Keller Graduate School of Management, New York	23	14,640	974	Special	Private
Dominican College of Blauvelt	42	19,510	1,566	Master's	Private
Dowling College	33	17,452	4,072	Master's	Private
D'Youville College	52	17,800	2,487	Master's	Private
Elmira College	62	31,700	1,372	Baccalaureate	Private
Fordham University	80	32,720	12,065	Research	Private
Hamilton College	88	36,860	1,823	Baccalaureate	Private
Hartwick College	61	31,035	1,504	Baccalaureate	Private
Hilbert College	55	16,600	895	Baccalaureate	Private
Hobart William Smith Colleges	71	36,718	2,007	Baccalaureate	Private
Hofstra University	53	26,730	10,920	Research	Private
Houghton College	73	21,620	1,337	Baccalaureate	Private
Iona College	60	24,724	3,856	Master's	Private
Ithaca College	77	28,670	6,561	Master's	Private

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Keuka College	46	20,550	1,358	Baccalaureate	Private
Laboratory Institute of Merchandising	49	18,625	1,080	Special	Private
Le Moyne College	68	23,760	2,834	Master's	Private
Long Island University, Brooklyn Campus	21	26,102	6,828	Master's	Private
Long Island University, C. W. Post Campus	42	25,750	6,772	Research	Private
Manhattan College	69	22,840	3,189	Master's	Private
Manhattanville College	62	29,680	2,410	Master's	Private
Marist College	79	24,040	5,080	Master's	Private
Marymount Manhattan College	45	20,600	1,703	Baccalaureate	Private
Medaille College	44	16,590	2,824	Master's	Private
Mercy College, Main Campus	23	14,170	6,040	Master's	Private
Metropolitan College of New York	43	16,720	933	Master's	Private
Molloy College	60	18,390	2,870	Master's	Private
Mount Saint Mary College	57	19,520	2,101	Master's	Private
Nazareth College of Rochester	77	22,834	2,699	Master's	Private
New York Institute of Technology, Old Westbury	42	21,498	6,657	Master's	Private
New York University	85	35,290	35,660	Research	Private
Niagara University	63	22,300	3,859	Master's	Private
Nyack College	41	15,950	2,600	Master's	Private
Pace University, New York	53	30,158	9,562	Research	Private
Polytechnic University	47	30,972	2,830	Research	Private
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	82	35,878	6,352	Research	Private
Roberts Wesleyan College	61	21,352	1,669	Master's	Private
Rochester Institute of Technology	59	26,481	13,253	Master's	Private
Russell Sage College	67	25,790	652	Baccalaureate	Private
Saint Bonaventure University	71	23,605	2,241	Master's	Private
Saint John Fisher College	69	21,930	3,302	Master's	Private
Saint Joseph's College, Main Campus	76	14,520	922	Baccalaureate	Private
Saint Joseph's College, Suffolk Campus	59	14,520	3,199	Master's	Private
Saint Thomas Aquinas College	52	18,900	1,751	Master's	Private
Sarah Lawrence College	76	38,090	1,609	Baccalaureate	Private
Siena College	80	22,685	3,097	Baccalaureate	Private
Skidmore College	82	36,860	2,710	Baccalaureate	Private
St. Francis College	56	14,920	2,099	Baccalaureate	Private
St. Lawrence University	77	35,600	2,248	Baccalaureate	Private
St. John's University, New York	60	26,890	16,294	Research	Private
Stony Brook University	59	5,760	20,573	Research	Public
SUNY at Albany	64	6,018	15,590	Research	Public
SUNY at Binghamton	77	6,012	13,376	Research	Public
SUNY at Buffalo	61	6,218	25,252	Research	Public
SUNY at Fredonia	62	5,542	5,209	Master's	Public
SUNY at Geneseo	79	5,616	5,423	Master's	Public
SUNY College at Brockport	58	4,350	7,245	Master's	Public
SUNY College at Buffalo	43	5,375	9,549	Master's	Public

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SUNY College at Cortland	57	5,450	6,505	Master's	Public
SUNY College at New Paltz	65	5,390	6,592	Master's	Public
SUNY College at Old Westbury	36	5,177	3,202	Baccalaureate	Public
SUNY College at Oneonta	59	5,455	5,727	Master's	Public
SUNY College at Oswego	54	5,934	7,618	Master's	Public
SUNY College at Plattsburgh	55	5,407	5,848	Master's	Public
SUNY College at Potsdam	50	5,406	4,127	Master's	Public
SUNY College at Purchase	51	5,997	3,974	Baccalaureate	Public
SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry	66	5,675	1,932	Research	Public
SUNY Maritime College	48	6,049	1,400	Baccalaureate	Public
Syracuse University	82	31,686	17,445	Research	Private
The New School	61	31,940	8,351	Research	Private
Touro College	25	13,500	12,696	Master's	Private
Union College	86	N/A	2,160	Baccalaureate	Private
United States Merchant Marine Academy	79	0	926	Baccalaureate	Public
United States Military Academy	81	0	4,487	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Rochester	81	35,190	8,355	Research	Private
Utica College	49	24,584	2,477	Master's	Private
Vassar College	93	38,115	2,424	Baccalaureate	Private
Wagner College	63	29,500	2,182	Master's	Private
Webb Institute	60	0	91	Special	Private
Wells College	51	17,810	545	Baccalaureate	Private
Yeshiva University	84	30,560	5,912	Research	Private
State Average	59.6				
<b>North Carolina</b>					
Appalachian State University	63	4,241	14,628	Master's	Public
Barton College	38	18,886	980	Baccalaureate	Private
Belmont Abbey College	49	18,796	1,275	Baccalaureate	Private
Bennett College for Women	35	14,648	664	Baccalaureate	Private
Campbell University	52	18,850	5,006	Master's	Private
Catawba College	42	20,836	1,262	Baccalaureate	Private
Davidson College	93	31,794	1,674	Baccalaureate	Private
Duke University	94	35,512	13,351	Research	Private
East Carolina University	54	4,368	22,048	Research	Public
Elizabeth City State University	51	2,898	2,778	Baccalaureate	Public
Elon University	73	22,166	5,299	Master's	Private
Fayetteville State University	36	3,422	5,475	Master's	Public
Gardner-Webb University	57	18,500	2,988	Master's	Private
Greensboro College	41	20,810	1,044	Baccalaureate	Private
Guilford College	58	24,470	2,433	Baccalaureate	Private
High Point University	56	19,925	2,734	Baccalaureate	Private
Johnson C. Smith University	42	15,754	1,441	Baccalaureate	Private
Lees-McRae College	31	19,500	870	Baccalaureate	Private
Lenoir-Rhyne College	53	21,580	1,460	Baccalaureate	Private

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Livingstone College	32	12,174	952	Baccalaureate	Private
Mars Hill College	38	18,812	1,197	Baccalaureate	Private
Meredith College	62	22,400	1,944	Baccalaureate	Private
Methodist University	40	20,080	1,919	Baccalaureate	Private
Montreat College	31	18,056	1,131	Baccalaureate	Private
Mount Olive College	30	13,126	2,819	Baccalaureate	Private
North Carolina A & T State University	41	3,500	9,434	Research	Public
North Carolina Central University	48	3,606	7,126	Master's	Public
North Carolina State University at Raleigh	69	5,117	27,596	Research	Public
North Carolina Wesleyan College	28	18,900	1,317	Baccalaureate	Private
Pfeiffer University	53	17,520	1,480	Master's	Private
Queens University of Charlotte	61	20,720	1,676	Master's	Private
Saint Augustine's College	31	13,206	1,269	Baccalaureate	Private
Salem College	52	19,190	776	Baccalaureate	Private
Shaw University	36	10,840	2,663	Baccalaureate	Private
St. Andrew's Presbyterian College	43	18,192	721	Baccalaureate	Private
University of North Carolina at Asheville	54	4,045	3,249	Baccalaureate	Public
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	83	5,340	25,089	Research	Public
University of North Carolina at Charlotte	51	4,153	18,686	Research	Public
University of North Carolina at Greensboro	50	4,029	15,155	Research	Public
University of North Carolina at Pembroke	34	4,000	4,871	Master's	Public
University of North Carolina at Wilmington	65	4,399	11,083	Master's	Public
Wake Forest University	89	34,330	6,694	Research	Private
Warren Wilson College	45	21,384	941	Baccalaureate	Private
Western Carolina University	48	4,061	7,549	Master's	Public
Wingate University	47	18,480	1,828	Baccalaureate	Private
Winston-Salem State University	45	3,300	5,372	Baccalaureate	Public
State Average	50.5				
<b>North Dakota</b>					
Dickinson State University	37	4,773	2,138	Baccalaureate	Public
Jamestown College	50	11,535	973	Baccalaureate	Private
Mayville State University	31	5,438	595	Baccalaureate	Public
Minot State University	31	4,774	3,048	Master's	Public
North Dakota State University, Main Campus	47	5,985	11,175	Research	Public
University of Mary	51	11,780	2,313	Master's	Private
University of North Dakota	54	6,060	10,965	Research	Public
Valley City State University	51	5,846	800	Baccalaureate	Public
State Average	44.0				
<b>Ohio</b>					
Antioch College	34	28,573	225	Baccalaureate	Private
Ashland University	59	23,006	4,988	Master's	Private
Baldwin-Wallace College	67	22,404	3,796	Master's	Private
Bluffton University	56	21,780	1,046	Baccalaureate	Private
Bowling Green State University, Main Campus	57	9,060	17,043	Research	Public

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Capital University	57	26,360	3,252	Master's	Private
Case Western Reserve University	81	33,538	8,454	Research	Private
Cedarville University	69	19,680	2,947	Baccalaureate	Private
Central State University	21	5,294	1,900	Baccalaureate	Public
Cleveland State University	31	7,945	11,303	Research	Public
College of Mount St. Joseph	51	21,200	1,819	Master's	Private
College of Wooster	73	31,870	1,771	Baccalaureate	Private
David N. Myers University	23	10,950	379	Baccalaureate	Private
Defiance College	51	20,630	827	Baccalaureate	Private
Denison University	79	33,010	2,223	Baccalaureate	Private
DeVry University, Ohio	32	13,220	2,587	Master's	Private
Franciscan University of Steubenville	69	18,180	2,224	Master's	Private
Heidelberg College	59	18,618	1,360	Master's	Private
Hiram College	61	24,885	1,130	Baccalaureate	Private
John Carroll University	74	26,434	3,397	Master's	Private
Kent State University, Kent Campus	49	8,430	20,025	Research	Public
Kenyon College	84	38,140	1,657	Baccalaureate	Private
Lake Erie College	50	23,886	809	Baccalaureate	Private
Lourdes College	53	11,232	1,490	Baccalaureate	Private
Malone College	56	18,870	2,030	Master's	Private
Marietta College	56	24,842	1,534	Baccalaureate	Private
Miami University, Oxford	80	10,554	15,531	Research	Public
Mount Union College	65	22,050	2,092	Baccalaureate	Private
Mount Vernon Nazarene University	51	18,064	2,377	Baccalaureate	Private
Muskingum College	61	17,970	1,822	Master's	Private
Notre Dame College	51	21,090	1,118	Baccalaureate	Private
Oberlin College	82	36,282	2,747	Baccalaureate	Private
Ohio Dominican University	44	21,700	2,489	Master's	Private
Ohio Northern University	69	29,685	3,526	Baccalaureate	Private
Ohio State University, Lima Campus	36	5,664	1,196	Associates	Public
Ohio State University, Main Campus	71	8,676	48,583	Research	Public
Ohio State University, Newark Campus	36	5,664	2,270	Associates	Public
Ohio University, Main Campus	71	8,907	19,805	Research	Public
Ohio Wesleyan University	68	31,930	1,975	Baccalaureate	Private
Otterbein College	63	25,065	2,648	Master's	Private
Shawnee State University	29	5,832	3,292	Baccalaureate	Public
Tiffin University	34	16,800	2,001	Master's	Private
University of Akron, Main Campus	36	8,382	19,179	Research	Public
University of Cincinnati, Main Campus	43	9,399	24,986	Research	Public
University of Dayton	76	25,950	9,219	Research	Private
University of Findlay	57	23,890	4,077	Master's	Private
University of Rio Grande	41	16,400	1,886	Master's	Private
University of Toledo, Main Campus	44	7,982	17,098	Research	Public
Urbana University	35	17,704	1,132	Baccalaureate	Private
Ursuline College	49	22,910	1,117	Master's	Private

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Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
Walsh University	55	18,960	2,072	Master's	Private
Wilberforce University	32	11,560	825	Baccalaureate	Private
Wilmington College	54	22,078	1,446	Baccalaureate	Private
Wittenberg University	61	31,400	1,996	Baccalaureate	Private
Wright State University, Main Campus	43	7,018	14,100	Research	Public
Xavier University	80	25,270	5,201	Master's	Private
Youngstown State University	36	6,721	11,486	Master's	Public
State Average	54.5				
<b>Oklahoma</b>					
Cameron University	19	3,872	4,224	Master's	Public
East Central University	35	3,930	3,676	Master's	Public
Langston University	22	3,596	2,482	Baccalaureate	Public
Northeastern State University	32	3,798	7,423	Master's	Public
Northwestern Oklahoma State University	31	3,875	1,690	Baccalaureate	Public
Oklahoma Baptist University	56	15,932	1,474	Baccalaureate	Private
Oklahoma Christian University	41	15,796	2,078	Master's	Private
Oklahoma City University	47	21,000	3,453	Master's	Private
Oklahoma Panhandle State University	27	3,820	1,034	Baccalaureate	Public
Oklahoma State University, Main Campus	58	5,491	19,883	Research	Public
Oklahoma Wesleyan University	29	15,500	716	Baccalaureate	Private
Oral Roberts University	52	17,800	2,859	Research	Private
Saint Gregory's University	28	14,710	553	Baccalaureate	Private
Southeastern Oklahoma State University	32	3,668	3,287	Master's	Public
Southern Nazarene University	54	15,924	2,055	Master's	Private
Southwestern Oklahoma State University	35	3,198	4,426	Master's	Public
University of Central Oklahoma	31	3,857	12,454	Master's	Public
University of Oklahoma, Norman Campus	62	6,507	21,945	Research	Public
University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma	22	3,240	1,084	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Tulsa	63	22,195	3,881	Research	Private
State Average	38.8				
<b>Oregon</b>					
Cascade College	32	13,520	261	Baccalaureate	Private
Concordia University	51	21,200	1,436	Master's	Private
Corban College	44	20,690	856	Baccalaureate	Private
Eastern Oregon University	29	6,072	2,430	Master's	Public
George Fox University	62	23,790	2,553	Research	Private
Lewis & Clark College	71	31,840	3,181	Baccalaureate	Private
Linfield College	69	25,644	1,667	Baccalaureate	Private
Linfield College, Portland Campus	70	N/A	327	Special	Private
Marylhurst University	38	15,570	759	Master's	Private
Northwest Christian College	61	21,480	379	Baccalaureate	Private
Oregon Institute of Technology	42	6,093	2,435	Baccalaureate	Public
Oregon State University	61	5,911	17,670	Research	Public
Pacific University	63	26,470	2,796	Research	Private

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Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
Portland State University	35	5,764	18,168	Research	Public
Reed College	76	36,420	1,444	Baccalaureate	Private
Southern Oregon University	35	5,481	3,995	Master's	Public
University of Oregon	65	6,174	18,902	Research	Public
University of Portland	70	28,834	3,316	Master's	Private
Warner Pacific College	40	21,500	788	Baccalaureate	Private
Western Oregon University	46	5,757	4,423	Master's	Public
Willamette University	80	31,968	2,534	Baccalaureate	Private
State Average	54.3				
<b>Pennsylvania</b>					
Albright College	60	28,884	2,177	Baccalaureate	Private
Allegheny College	71	30,000	2,167	Baccalaureate	Private
Alvernia College	59	21,614	2,091	Master's	Private
Arcadia University	60	27,800	2,843	Master's	Private
Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania	62	6,623	8,114	Master's	Public
Bryn Athyn College of the New Church	58	10,114	134	Baccalaureate	Private
Bryn Mawr College	84	34,650	1,659	Baccalaureate	Private
Bucknell University	89	38,134	3,611	Baccalaureate	Private
Cabrini College	56	28,030	2,295	Master's	Private
California University of Pennsylvania	49	6,851	7,347	Master's	Public
Carlow University	50	19,514	1,656	Master's	Private
Carnegie Mellon University	87	37,354	9,504	Research	Private
Cedar Crest College	58	25,340	1,341	Baccalaureate	Private
Chatham University	47	25,816	1,438	Master's	Private
Chestnut Hill College	56	24,900	1,522	Master's	Private
Cheyney University of Pennsylvania	29	6,412	1,349	Master's	Public
Clarion University of Pennsylvania	50	6,865	5,903	Master's	Public
Delaware Valley College	50	24,410	1,857	Baccalaureate	Private
DeSales University	68	23,900	2,175	Master's	Private
Dickinson College	83	35,784	2,365	Baccalaureate	Private
Drexel University	64	29,065	16,742	Research	Private
Duquesne University	73	23,950	9,231	Research	Private
East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania	51	6,809	6,277	Master's	Public
Eastern University	59	21,395	3,646	Master's	Private
Edinboro University of Pennsylvania	47	6,767	6,687	Master's	Public
Elizabethtown College	70	29,000	2,109	Baccalaureate	Private
Franklin and Marshall College	84	36,480	2,077	Baccalaureate	Private
Gannon University	66	21,976	3,358	Master's	Private
Geneva College	53	19,430	1,746	Baccalaureate	Private
Gettysburg College	81	35,770	2,482	Baccalaureate	Private
Grove City College	82	11,500	2,489	Baccalaureate	Private
Gwynedd Mercy College	77	21,025	1,933	Master's	Private
Haverford College	91	35,390	1,169	Baccalaureate	Private
Holy Family University	58	20,300	2,300	Master's	Private

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Immaculata University	68	22,650	2,303	Research	Private
Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Main Campus	50	6,695	12,546	Research	Public
Juniata College	76	28,920	1,460	Baccalaureate	Private
Keystone College	40	18,340	1,515	Baccalaureate	Private
King's College	72	23,450	2,228	Master's	Private
Kutztown University of Pennsylvania	55	6,873	9,310	Master's	Public
La Roche College	59	19,252	1,304	Master's	Private
La Salle University	74	29,400	4,495	Master's	Private
Lafayette College	89	33,811	2,370	Baccalaureate	Private
Lebanon Valley College	70	27,800	1,769	Baccalaureate	Private
Lehigh University	83	35,610	6,084	Research	Private
Lincoln University of Pennsylvania	38	7,578	2,322	Master's	Public
Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania	51	6,679	4,902	Master's	Public
Lycoming College	70	26,749	1,410	Baccalaureate	Private
Mansfield University of Pennsylvania	48	7,004	2,963	Master's	Public
Marywood University	62	24,090	2,736	Master's	Private
Mercyhurst College	58	21,876	3,911	Master's	Private
Messiah College	73	24,420	2,801	Baccalaureate	Private
Millersville University of Pennsylvania	67	6,624	7,388	Master's	Public
Misericordia University	70	21,950	1,818	Master's	Private
Moravian College and Moravian Theological Seminary	75	28,388	1,770	Baccalaureate	Private
Muhlenberg College	83	33,090	2,346	Baccalaureate	Private
Neumann College	55	19,486	2,476	Master's	Private
Pennsylvania State University, Main Campus	84	12,844	41,817	Research	Public
Pennsylvania State University, Penn State Altoona	67	11,464	3,864	Baccalaureate	Public
Pennsylvania State University, Penn State Erie-Behrend College	68	11,464	3,938	Baccalaureate	Public
Philadelphia Biblical University, Langhorne	62	16,730	1,135	Master's	Private
Philadelphia University	50	25,556	3,026	Master's	Private
Point Park University	47	18,990	2,999	Master's	Private
Robert Morris University	51	17,900	3,921	Master's	Private
Rosemont College	59	22,535	651	Master's	Private
Saint Francis University	58	23,494	1,790	Master's	Private
Saint Joseph's University	75	30,985	5,752	Master's	Private
Saint Vincent College	71	24,106	1,785	Baccalaureate	Private
Seton Hill University	52	25,006	1,643	Baccalaureate	Private
Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania	65	6,849	7,031	Master's	Public
Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania	53	6,671	7,719	Master's	Public
Susquehanna University	82	28,320	2,006	Baccalaureate	Private
Swarthmore College	94	34,884	1,487	Baccalaureate	Private
Temple University	60	10,802	30,095	Research	Public
Thiel College	39	20,024	1,173	Baccalaureate	Private

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Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
University of Pennsylvania	95	35,916	21,427	Research	Private
University of Pittsburgh, Bradford	52	11,660	1,279	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Pittsburgh, Greensburg	57	11,320	1,695	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Pittsburgh, Johnstown	59	11,332	3,011	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh Campus	75	12,876	24,194	Research	Public
University of Scranton	78	28,758	4,733	Master's	Private
University of the Sciences in Philadelphia	62	26,930	2,775	Special	Private
Ursinus College	75	35,160	1,569	Baccalaureate	Private
Villanova University	88	34,900	8,933	Master's	Private
Washington & Jefferson College	70	29,532	1,522	Baccalaureate	Private
Waynesburg University	52	16,420	1,963	Master's	Private
West Chester University of Pennsylvania	64	6,676	11,593	Master's	Public
Westminster College	76	25,530	1,376	Baccalaureate	Private
Widener University, Main Campus	52	28,630	3,831	Research	Private
Wilkes University	63	24,080	3,562	Master's	Private
Wilson College	57	23,770	506	Baccalaureate	Private
York College Pennsylvania	43	12,750	5,079	Baccalaureate	Private
State Average	64.4				
<b>Rhode Island</b>					
Brown University	95	36,342	7,974	Research	Private
Bryant University	74	27,639	3,414	Master's	Private
Johnson & Wales University	55	21,717	9,475	Master's	Private
Providence College	87	29,499	4,584	Master's	Private
Rhode Island College	45	5,256	7,012	Master's	Public
Roger Williams University	58	25,942	4,182	Baccalaureate	Private
Salve Regina University	65	26,950	2,361	Master's	Private
University of Rhode Island	58	8,184	13,655	Research	Public
State Average	67.1				
<b>South Carolina</b>					
Allen University	22	9,884	644	Baccalaureate	Private
Anderson University	42	17,850	1,631	Baccalaureate	Private
Benedict College	27	14,010	2,608	Baccalaureate	Private
Charleston Southern University	39	17,795	2,790	Master's	Private
Citadel Military College of South Carolina	65	7,735	2,666	Master's	Public
Clafflin University	55	12,358	1,686	Baccalaureate	Private
Clemson University	78	10,370	16,230	Research	Public
Coastal Carolina University	44	7,600	7,036	Baccalaureate	Public
Coker College	40	18,602	1,103	Baccalaureate	Private
College of Charleston	60	7,778	10,087	Master's	Public
Columbia College	47	21,650	1,306	Master's	Private
Converse College	65	23,344	1,204	Master's	Private
Erskine College and Seminary	63	21,680	778	Baccalaureate	Private
Francis Marion University	42	7,038	3,408	Master's	Public
Furman University	83	31,560	2,773	Baccalaureate	Private

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Lander University	47	7,728	2,224	Baccalaureate	Public
Limestone College	43	15,900	2,676	Baccalaureate	Private
Morris College	38	9,250	855	Baccalaureate	Private
Newberry College	44	20,891	907	Baccalaureate	Private
Presbyterian College	71	26,320	1,148	Baccalaureate	Private
South Carolina State University	45	7,318	4,540	Research	Public
Southern Wesleyan University	50	17,200	2,426	Master's	Private
University of South Carolina, Aiken	41	7,036	2,717	Baccalaureate	Public
University of South Carolina, Columbia	63	8,346	23,955	Research	Public
University of South Carolina, Upstate	38	7,900	4,377	Baccalaureate	Public
Voorhees College	12	7,460	568	Baccalaureate	Private
Winthrop University	58	10,210	5,438	Master's	Public
Wofford College	77	27,830	1,350	Baccalaureate	Private
State Average	50.0				
<b>South Dakota</b>					
Augustana College	65	21,182	1,666	Baccalaureate	Private
Black Hills State University	22	5,803	3,099	Baccalaureate	Public
Dakota State University	51	5,381	1,707	Baccalaureate	Public
Dakota Wesleyan University	52	17,600	736	Baccalaureate	Private
Mount Marty College	47	17,468	936	Master's	Private
National American University, Rapid City	15	12,482	938	Baccalaureate	Private
Northern State University	40	5,280	1,930	Baccalaureate	Public
Presentation College	41	13,290	604	Special	Private
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology	40	5,670	1,769	Special	Public
South Dakota State University	53	5,373	9,739	Research	Public
University of Sioux Falls	45	17,940	1,262	Baccalaureate	Private
University of South Dakota	48	5,752	7,041	Research	Public
State Average	43.3				
<b>Tennessee</b>					
Austin Peay State University	26	5,238	7,394	Master's	Public
Belmont University	65	19,780	4,277	Master's	Private
Bethel College	27	11,690	1,846	Master's	Private
Bryan College	60	16,320	1,007	Baccalaureate	Private
Carson-Newman College	52	16,980	1,900	Baccalaureate	Private
Christian Brothers University	57	21,360	1,528	Master's	Private
Crichton College	19	11,136	751	Baccalaureate	Private
Cumberland University	36	15,550	1,107	Master's	Private
East Tennessee State University	38	4,887	11,448	Research	Public
Fisk University	53	15,620	783	Baccalaureate	Private
Freed-Hardeman University	59	13,192	1,663	Master's	Private
King College	49	19,262	1,339	Baccalaureate	Private
Lambuth University	38	17,400	724	Baccalaureate	Private
Lane College	25	7,620	1,716	Baccalaureate	Private

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Le Moyne-Owen College	22	10,298	537	Baccalaureate	Private
Lee University	51	10,782	3,701	Master's	Private
Lincoln Memorial University	45	14,400	2,234	Master's	Private
Lipscomb University	56	16,811	2,501	Master's	Private
Maryville College	55	25,350	1,167	Baccalaureate	Private
Middle Tennessee State University	44	5,278	20,342	Master's	Public
Milligan College	56	19,510	942	Baccalaureate	Private
Rhodes College	73	30,652	1,684	Baccalaureate	Private
Sewanee: The University of the South	78	30,660	1,546	Baccalaureate	Private
Southern Adventist University	60	15,596	2,368	Baccalaureate	Private
Tennessee State University	41	4,886	7,746	Research	Public
Tennessee Technological University	44	4,952	8,757	Master's	Public
Tennessee Wesleyan College	44	15,550	786	Baccalaureate	Private
Trevecca Nazarene University	49	15,512	2,083	Research	Private
Tusculum College	43	17,385	2,556	Master's	Private
Union University	64	18,850	2,746	Master's	Private
University of Memphis	34	5,802	16,276	Research	Public
University of Tennessee	58	5,932	27,620	Research	Public
University of Tennessee at Chattanooga	42	5,062	8,381	Master's	Public
University of Tennessee, Martin	44	5,005	6,066	Master's	Public
Vanderbilt University	91	35,278	11,395	Research	Private
State Average	48.5				
<b>Texas</b>					
Abilene Christian University	57	17,410	4,281	Master's	Private
Angelo State University	34	4,343	5,544	Master's	Public
Austin College	78	24,920	1,331	Baccalaureate	Private
Baylor University	72	24,645	13,829	Research	Private
Concordia University Texas	27	18,910	1,228	Baccalaureate	Private
Dallas Baptist University	49	14,940	3,720	Master's	Private
DeVry University, Texas	27	13,220	2,522	Master's	Private
East Texas Baptist University	34	14,680	1,213	Baccalaureate	Private
Hardin-Simmons University	47	16,946	2,174	Master's	Private
Houston Baptist University	49	17,736	2,109	Master's	Private
Howard Payne University	35	16,030	1,181	Baccalaureate	Private
Huston-Tillotson University	18	10,040	714	Baccalaureate	Private
Jarvis Christian College	10	8,208	679	Baccalaureate	Private
Lamar University	36	5,560	8,328	Master's	Public
LeTourneau University	52	17,910	3,644	Master's	Private
Lubbock Christian University	42	14,290	1,637	Master's	Private
McMurry University	43	16,950	1,293	Baccalaureate	Private
Midwestern State University	29	4,372	4,817	Master's	Public
Northwood University	42	16,705	825	Special	Private
Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio	35	19,116	1,829	Master's	Private

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Paul Quinn College	93	9,170	515	Baccalaureate	Private
Prairie View A & M University	38	4,948	6,981	Master's	Public
Rice University	90	28,905	5,084	Research	Private
Saint Edward's University	54	20,400	4,197	Master's	Private
Sam Houston State University	44	5,416	14,013	Master's	Public
Schreiner University	65	17,008	940	Baccalaureate	Private
Southern Methodist University	71	30,880	9,118	Research	Private
Southwestern Adventist University	43	14,284	794	Baccalaureate	Private
Southwestern University	72	25,740	1,278	Baccalaureate	Private
St. Mary's University	58	21,500	3,508	Master's	Private
Stephen F. Austin State University	39	6,162	10,278	Master's	Public
Sul Ross State University	19	3,942	1,887	Master's	Public
Tarleton State University	37	4,537	7,538	Master's	Public
Texas A & M University	78	7,335	43,567	Research	Public
Texas A & M University, Galveston	36	6,055	1,529	Baccalaureate	Public
Texas A & M University, Commerce	38	5,126	6,357	Research	Public
Texas A & M University, Corpus Christi	35	5,149	6,916	Master's	Public
Texas A & M University, Kingsville	30	4,800	5,133	Research	Public
Texas Christian University	69	24,868	8,001	Research	Private
Texas Lutheran University	55	20,060	1,334	Baccalaureate	Private
Texas Southern University	12	5,428	8,228	Master's	Public
Texas State University, San Marcos	55	6,506	24,020	Master's	Public
Texas Tech University	56	5,642	26,029	Research	Public
Texas Wesleyan University	26	15,775	2,471	Master's	Private
Texas Woman's University	41	5,832	8,925	Research	Public
Trinity University	79	25,022	2,607	Master's	Private
University of Dallas	63	23,267	2,130	Master's	Private
University of Houston	43	6,084	28,476	Research	Public
University of Houston, Downtown	16	4,022	8,370	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Mary Hardin-Baylor	42	17,700	2,435	Master's	Private
University of North Texas	44	5,972	28,090	Research	Public
University of St. Thomas	56	19,070	2,231	Master's	Private
University of Texas at Arlington	52	6,464	19,319	Research	Public
University of Texas at Austin	78	7,670	47,490	Research	Public
University of Texas at Dallas	55	8,554	11,202	Research	Public
University of Texas at El Paso	29	5,610	15,259	Research	Public
University of Texas at San Antonio	30	5,478	23,409	Master's	Public
University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio	60	3,456	2,557	Special	Public
University of Texas–Pan American	33	3,899	14,024	Master's	Public
University of the Incarnate Word	38	19,060	4,151	Master's	Private
Wayland Baptist University	39	9,120	2,957	Master's	Private
West Texas A & M University	37	4,668	5,916	Master's	Public
Wiley College	19	9,400	852	Baccalaureate	Private
State Average	45.8				

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<b>Utah</b>					
Brigham Young University	78	3,840	31,497	Research	Private
Southern Utah University	41	3,796	5,899	Master's	Public
University of Utah	56	4,988	22,845	Research	Public
Utah State University	45	4,200	13,143	Research	Public
Weber State University	29	3,664	13,005	Master's	Public
Westminster College	54	22,374	2,321	Master's	Private
State Average	50.5				
<b>Vermont</b>					
Bennington College	57	36,800	711	Baccalaureate	Private
Castleton State College	40	7,244	1,873	Master's	Public
Champlain College	69	22,550	2,312	Baccalaureate	Private
College of St. Joseph	53	15,760	300	Master's	Private
Goddard College	50	11,606	677	Master's	Private
Green Mountain College	41	24,565	812	Baccalaureate	Private
Johnson State College	36	7,244	1,402	Master's	Public
Lyndon State College	43	7,244	1,288	Baccalaureate	Public
Marlboro College	59	30,680	312	Baccalaureate	Private
Middlebury College	91	N/A	2,485	Baccalaureate	Private
Norwich University	48	24,430	3,380	Master's	Private
Saint Michael's College	80	29,945	2,204	Baccalaureate	Private
Southern Vermont College	55	16,800	366	Baccalaureate	Private
Sterling College	40	19,375	104	Special	Private
University of Vermont	72	12,054	11,061	Research	Public
Woodbury College	64	16,050	87	Baccalaureate	Private
State Average	56.1				
<b>Virginia</b>					
Averett University	41	20,512	802	Baccalaureate	Private
Bluefield College	42	13,180	701	Baccalaureate	Private
Bridgewater College	66	21,490	1,534	Baccalaureate	Private
Christopher Newport University	52	7,050	4,668	Baccalaureate	Public
College of William and Mary	91	9,164	7,448	Research	Public
DeVry University, Virginia	24	14,640	517	Master's	Private
Eastern Mennonite University	71	21,960	1,138	Baccalaureate	Private
Emory and Henry College	54	22,320	964	Baccalaureate	Private
Ferrum College	35	20,840	1,218	Baccalaureate	Private
George Mason University	58	6,840	21,608	Research	Public
Hampden-Sydney College	66	27,732	1,122	Baccalaureate	Private
Hampton University	54	15,610	5,324	Master's	Private
Hollins University	69	25,645	920	Baccalaureate	Private
James Madison University	81	6,666	17,053	Master's	Public
Liberty University	51	15,800	20,248	Master's	Private
Longwood University	64	8,058	4,214	Master's	Public
Lynchburg College	54	26,837	2,256	Master's	Private

(table A5 continued)

Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
Mary Baldwin College	52	22,730	1,349	Master's	Private
Marymount University	51	20,410	2,857	Master's	Private
Norfolk State University	31	5,322	5,292	Master's	Public
Old Dominion University	49	5,262	16,661	Research	Public
Radford University	56	6,176	8,502	Master's	Public
Randolph College	62	25,860	638	Baccalaureate	Private
Randolph-Macon College	52	26,830	1,162	Baccalaureate	Private
Roanoke College	65	26,250	1,951	Baccalaureate	Private
Saint Paul's College	25	12,020	679	Baccalaureate	Private
Shenandoah University	46	22,340	2,696	Master's	Private
Sweet Briar College	71	25,015	780	Baccalaureate	Private
University of Mary Washington	76	6,494	4,265	Master's	Public
University of Richmond	86	37,610	3,852	Baccalaureate	Private
University of Virginia, Main Campus	93	8,690	21,889	Research	Public
University of Virginia's College at Wise	41	6,151	1,628	Baccalaureate	Public
Virginia Commonwealth University	47	6,196	25,890	Research	Public
Virginia Intermont College	48	21,200	212	Baccalaureate	Private
Virginia Military Institute	68	10,048	1,378	Baccalaureate	Public
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University	77	7,397	28,022	Research	Public
Virginia State University	42	5,655	4,282	Master's	Public
Virginia Union University	25	13,394	1,504	Baccalaureate	Private
Virginia Wesleyan College	42	24,515	1,288	Baccalaureate	Private
Washington and Lee University	89	35,445	2,179	Baccalaureate	Private
State Average	56.7				
<b>Washington</b>					
Central Washington University	55	5,493	9,563	Master's	Public
DeVry University, Washington	29	14,640	658	Baccalaureate	Private
Eastern Washington University	47	4,905	9,592	Master's	Public
Evergreen State College	58	5,127	4,192	Master's	Public
Gonzaga University	80	26,658	5,772	Master's	Private
Heritage University	17	9,055	827	Master's	Private
Northwest University	45	19,762	1,174	Baccalaureate	Private
Pacific Lutheran University	66	25,088	3,444	Master's	Private
Saint Martin's University	41	22,450	1,325	Master's	Private
Seattle Pacific University	66	25,128	3,408	Master's	Private
Seattle University	68	26,325	6,275	Master's	Private
University of Puget Sound	76	31,895	2,720	Baccalaureate	Private
University of Washington, Seattle Campus	75	6,385	36,120	Research	Public
Walla Walla University	53	21,114	1,753	Master's	Private
Washington State University	63	6,866	21,822	Research	Public
Western Washington University	67	5,291	13,287	Master's	Public
Whitman College	86	32,980	1,467	Baccalaureate	Private
Whitworth University	74	25,692	2,302	Master's	Private
State Average	59.2				

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(table A5 continued)

Name	Graduation Rate (%)	Tuition and Fees (\$)	Enrollment	Carnegie Classification	Institution Type
<b>West Virginia</b>					
Alderson Broaddus College	52	20,030	713	Baccalaureate	Private
Bethany College	57	18,203	809	Baccalaureate	Private
Bluefield State College	27	3,984	1,595	Baccalaureate	Public
Concord University	38	4,414	2,437	Baccalaureate	Public
Davis & Elkins College	46	18,746	596	Baccalaureate	Private
Fairmont State University	44	4,814	3,936	Baccalaureate	Public
Glenville State College	32	4,174	1,224	Baccalaureate	Public
Marshall University	40	4,360	11,160	Master's	Public
Mountain State University	18	6,480	4,134	Master's	Private
Ohio Valley University	48	15,990	524	Baccalaureate	Private
Salem International University	39	13,620	540	Baccalaureate	Private
Shepherd University	32	4,564	3,542	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Charleston	43	22,050	1,348	Baccalaureate	Private
West Liberty State College	45	4,172	2,170	Baccalaureate	Public
West Virginia State University	30	3,778	2,687	Baccalaureate	Public
West Virginia University	55	4,722	25,673	Research	Public
West Virginia University Institute of Technology	50	4,598	1,207	Baccalaureate	Public
West Virginia Wesleyan College	55	21,830	1,249	Baccalaureate	Private
Wheeling Jesuit University	59	23,490	1,199	Master's	Private
State Average	42.6				
<b>Wisconsin</b>					
Alverno College	42	17,296	2,160	Master's	Private
Beloit College	79	29,908	1,339	Baccalaureate	Private
Cardinal Stritch University	53	19,074	5,399	Master's	Private
Carroll College	56	20,900	2,854	Master's	Private
Carthage College	55	25,000	2,446	Baccalaureate	Private
Concordia University, Wisconsin	70	19,040	4,394	Master's	Private
Edgewood College	47	19,080	1,974	Master's	Private
Lakeland College	38	17,595	2,233	Master's	Private
Lawrence University	79	31,080	1,410	Baccalaureate	Private
Marian College of Fond du Lac	51	18,650	2,073	Master's	Private
Marquette University	75	26,678	10,307	Research	Private
Milwaukee School of Engineering	52	25,980	2,254	Baccalaureate	Private
Mount Mary College	40	19,205	1,277	Master's	Private
Northland College	54	21,901	645	Baccalaureate	Private
Ripon College	72	23,323	991	Baccalaureate	Private
Saint Norbert College	71	24,653	2,085	Baccalaureate	Private
Silver Lake College	48	18,320	452	Master's	Private
University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire	60	5,841	10,041	Master's	Public
University of Wisconsin, Green Bay	53	5,960	5,249	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Wisconsin, La Crosse	66	5,851	9,102	Master's	Public
University of Wisconsin, Madison	79	7,185	38,652	Research	Public

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University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee	41	6,954	25,095	Research	Public
University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh	46	5,690	10,401	Master's	Public
University of Wisconsin, Parkside	32	5,756	4,153	Baccalaureate	Public
University of Wisconsin, Platteville	53	5,747	6,333	Master's	Public
University of Wisconsin, River Falls	52	5,886	5,989	Master's	Public
University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point	59	5,831	8,541	Master's	Public
University of Wisconsin, Stout	53	7,273	7,537	Master's	Public
University of Wisconsin, Superior	40	5,912	2,357	Master's	Public
University of Wisconsin, Whitewater	53	5,860	9,681	Master's	Public
Viterbo University	48	18,590	2,278	Master's	Private
Wisconsin Lutheran College	61	19,564	679	Baccalaureate	Private
State Average	55.6				
<b>Wyoming</b>					
University of Wyoming	57	3,366	10,549	Research	Public
State Average	57.0				

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## Notes

1. Other recent studies have examined individual-level graduation rates. See J. Bound, M. Lovenheim, and S. Turner, “Understanding the Decrease in College Graduation Rates and the Increased Time to the Baccalaureate Degree” (Research Report No. 07-626, Population Studies Center, University of Michigan, 2007); and C. Adelman, *The Toolbox Revisited: Paths to Degree Completion from High School through College* (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Education, 2006). For a review of the evidence on college completion, see S. Godrick-Rab and J. Roksa, *A Federal Agenda for Promoting Student Success and Degree Completion* (Washington, DC: Center for American Progress, 2008). Our analysis adds to this discussion by focusing on institutional graduation rates and explicitly comparing schools that have similar student bodies and admissions standards. A similar analysis by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) examined four-year graduation rates at colleges grouped into three broad selectivity categories. See Laura Horn and C. Dennis Carroll, *Placing Graduation Rates in Context: How 4-Year College Graduation Rates Vary With Selectivity and the Size of Low Income Enrollment* (Washington, DC: NCES, 2006).

2. *Barron’s Profiles of American Colleges* (Hauppauge, NY: Barron’s Education Series, 2009).

3. We discuss transfers in more detail on pages 6–7.

4. The data are reported through the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System—widely known as IPEDS.

5. See U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Descriptive Summary of 1995–96 Beginning Postsecondary Students: Six Years Later* (Washington, DC: Department of Education, 2002), available at <http://nces.ed.gov/pubs2003/2003151.pdf> (accessed May 8, 2009).

6. U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, “Integrated Postsecondary Education

Data System,” available at <http://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/> (accessed May 8, 2009).

7. There are a variety of reasons the remaining schools, while having the authority to grant bachelor’s degrees, do not report a six-year graduation rate. For example, some are specialized religious schools; some are community colleges that have the authority to grant the degree but do not take in students who meet the definition for inclusion in the cohort.

8. For further description of the sample construction, see page 23.

9. We used the *U.S. News and World Report* regional definitions, which differ very slightly from those used by the U.S. government, to simplify matters for readers who wish to use the figures presented here in conjunction with that publication’s popular college guide.

10. Defined as institutions whose full-time equivalent enrollment of undergraduate students is at least 25 percent Hispanic, according to the fall 2005 enrollment IPEDS survey. See U.S. Department of Education, “Accredited Postsecondary Minority Institutions,” available at [www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/edlite-minorityinst-list-hisp-tab.html](http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/edlite-minorityinst-list-hisp-tab.html) (accessed May 8, 2009).

11. Higher Education Research Institute, *CIRP Freshman Survey 2005* (Los Angeles: University of California, Los Angeles, 2005).

12. A recent Associated Press study of graduation rates at HBCUs pointed out that some schools in this category have exceptionally low graduation rates, and rates of completion are especially low for African American men at HBCUs. Our results are similarly discouraging.

13. Last year, NCES unveiled a new website, the College Navigator, that made these data easier to access, but it has never published a compendium of scores such as this.



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