

Fall 2015 Enrollment Report Highlights

IBHE has issued [the Fall 2015 Enrollment Report](#). It provides a “snapshot” of Illinois higher education enrollments on the 10th day, or census date, of the fall term.

Fall Enrollments by Sector

Sector	Undergraduate		Graduate	
	Headcount	FTE ¹	Headcount	FTE
Public University	143,614	130,844	49,371	41,820
Community College	317,192	184,437	-	-
Private Not-for-Profit	131,620	126,210	82,601	62,287
Private For-Profit	52,654	34,885	12,183	6,362
Out-of-State	7,672	5,041	3,346	2,205
Total	652,752	481,417	147,501	112,674

Illinois has 204 degree-granting institutions with operating authority from IBHE. Preliminary figures for Fall 2015 find:

- Total Headcounts: Just over 800,000
- Total FTE Enrollments: Just under 600,000
- Community colleges accounted for roughly half of the undergraduate enrollment based on headcount and 38% of undergraduate FTE enrollment.
- Public universities accounted for 22% of undergraduate headcount enrollment and over a quarter (27%) of all undergraduate FTE enrollments.

In comparing the percent change in the preliminary headcount and FTE from 2014 to 2015, we found a few noteworthy patterns.

- Undergraduate enrollment declined overall and in all sectors; however, there was some variation in the extent of the decline in undergraduate enrollment by sector.
 - Public universities (as a sector) only experienced a decreased of one half of one percent (-0.5%) in terms of undergraduate enrollment.
 - The community college sector also experienced a substantial decrease in enrollment (-6.0% in Headcount and -5.5% in FTE).
 - Out-of-state institutions experienced the largest year over year decline.
- Graduate enrollment held steady or increased in all but the Out-of-State sector.
 - The private for-profit sector experienced the largest increase in graduate enrollment.
 - The public universities experienced about a 1 percent increase in graduate enrollment.

¹ Full-Time Equivalent