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This document reports a follow-up study of 10,504 students who transferred in fall 1973 from Illinois community colleges to Illinois senior institutions, in order to identify patterns of mobility by both sending community colleges and receiving senior institutions, and to study the pre- and post-transfer characteristics and achievement of these students. Data are compared to the findings of a similar study of the transfer population of fall 1967. The performance of the transfer students was measured by three criteria: persistence of the students at the senior college, academic status, and gradepoint average (GPA). The study shows that the large majority of transfers continued to pursue the baccalaureate degree, and 78% of those whose academic status was known were in clear or good standing. At the end of the spring 1974 term, the mean GPA of transfer students was 2.65, only .15 lower than the mean pre-transfer GPA. (NHH)

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## PREFACE

The need for follow-up studies of community college transfer students is recognized by all community college educators and is mandated in the Illinois Public Community College Act as well as in the policies of the Illinois Community College Board. Many community colleges in Illinois have conducted follow-up studies of their transfer students for a number of years. The desirability of having statewide norms for comparison purposes was often indicated in these studies. In 1972, through the cooperative efforts of the Senior College Coordinators Association and the Community College Coordinators Association, the ICCB agreed to undertake a statewide study of community college transfer students at senior institutions in Illinois. Having the backing of both the junior and senior college coordinators, 24 senior colleges in Illinois agreed to furnish information on students transferring to them for the Fall, 1973 term from the various public community colleges for the follow-up study. Although uncertainties about the Buckley Amendment in 1974 made it necessary to change the data from individual to group basis, the majority of these senior institutions continued to furnish data on the transfer students making this statewide effort possible.

This study was designed to encourage local follow-up studies of transfer students at each community college as well as to develop a statewide follow-up study. For this reason, the progress data on the transfer students was sent from the senior institutions to the local community colleges for their use and then forwarded to the Illinois Community College Board to be used in the statewide analysis. Hence, we appreciate the efforts of both the senior college personnel and the community college personnel who provided the data for this statewide analysis.

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## INTRODUCTION

Since the preparation of students to transfer to senior institutions is one of the primary purposes of a community college, a study of the number of transfer students, as well as of their senior college performance, is an important measure of the relative achievement of this purpose. This current study is to some extent a replication of the 1967 Illinois transfer study, "Performance of Transfer Students Within Illinois Institutions of Higher Education," published by the Council on Articulation of the Illinois Conference on Higher Education in November 1971. The primary difference between these two studies is the population followed. In the 1967 study students transferring from 2-year institutions to 4-year institutions as well as "reverse" transfers were studied. In the current study only students transferring during the Fall term 1973 from Illinois public community colleges to Illinois senior institutions were included.

## PURPOSES

All Illinois public community colleges and 24 Illinois private and public senior institutions are currently participating in this study. This level of participation should yield information on at least 80 per cent of all Illinois community college students who transferred in Fall 1973 to Illinois senior institutions. The purposes of this study are as follows:

- (1) To determine the magnitude of Illinois community college transfers to Illinois senior institutions.
- (2) To determine the mobility patterns, by sending community colleges and by receiving senior institutions.
- (3) To study the pre-transfer characteristics of these students

- (4) To study the achievement and retention of these students after transfer.

#### LIMITATIONS

This statewide study depended upon data furnished by the senior institutions to the public community colleges and then by the community colleges furnishing a summary of this data back to the Illinois Community College Board staff for statewide analysis. Hence, the study is limited to the accuracy of the data reported by all institutions involved. Another limitation of the study is that some of the community colleges as well as some of the senior institutions had very small numbers of Fall, 1973 transfer students included in the study and hence, the reliability of the inference is limited. Another difficulty with the study occurred when several of the senior institutions were unable to continue providing post-transfer data on the transfer students to the community colleges. This meant that the progress of the students at some senior institutions could not be monitored each year. We are still hopeful that this progress data can be obtained before the study concludes. Since all of the Fall, 1973 transfer students were identified by name and Social Security number, these progress reports are still possible.

#### PRELIMINARY FINDINGS

Phase I of the study was concerned with identifying the Fall 1973 transfer students at each participating senior college and obtaining the necessary data to analyze the first three purposes of the study. Each senior institution furnished a list of Fall 1973 transfer students to each sending public community college. The community colleges then provided pre-transfer data on these students and the ICCB staff compiled and analyzed the results.<sup>1</sup>

1. This information was reported in November, 1974 in the publication entitled, "A Follow-Up Study of Fall, 1973 Transfer Students from Illinois Public Community Colleges: Phase I Preliminary Report".

Tables I through IV give information on the number and mobility of Fall 1973 community college transfer students. A study of these tables indicates that in the Fall term 1973, Illinois senior institutions received 10,504 transfer students from Illinois public community colleges (Table I). This number represents about a 70 per cent increase in transfer students over the Fall, 1967 total. Even though affected to some extent by the number of private institutions participating in this study, the per cent of transfers attending public Illinois senior institutions increased from 77 per cent in 1967 to 87 per cent in 1973 while the per cent attending private institutions dropped from 23% to 13%. The approximate 70 per cent increase in the number of transfer students is substantiated by Table II, which compares 1967 and 1973 transfers by Illinois community colleges which participated in both studies. Four Illinois senior institutions are receiving about one-half of all community college transfers (Table III).

TABLE I

Illinois Public Community College Transfers To  
Illinois Senior Institutions  
By Institutional Type - Fall, 1973 and Fall, 1967

Illinois Public Community College Transfers to:	Fall '67		Fall '73		Change	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Illinois Private Senior Institutions	1379	22.8	1429	13.6	+50	-2.0
Illinois Public Senior Institutions	4680	77.2	9075	86.4	+4395	+93.9
TOTAL	6059		10,504		+4445	+73.4

TABLE II

Comparative Number of Transfer Students from Select\* Illinois  
Public Community Colleges at Illinois Senior Institutions  
1967 and 1973

	Fall '67	Fall '73	Change	
	Number	Number	Number	Per Cent
Belleville	209	277	+ 68	+ 32.5
Black Hawk (Quad Cities)	118	221	+103	+ 87.3
Prairie State	117	288	+171	+146.2
Spoon River (Canton)	113	54	- 59	- 52.2
Kaskaskia	87	127	+ 40	+ 46.0
College of DuPage	82	634	+552	+673.2
Danville	90	148	+ 58	+ 64.4
Elgin	122	175	+ 53	+ 43.4
Highland	56	71	+ 15	+ 26.8
Joliet	309	576	+267	+ 86.4
Illinois Valley	140	229	+ 89	+ 63.6
Morton	161	139	- 22	- 13.7
Rend Lake	57	116	+ 59	+103.5
Olney	55	92	+ 37	+ 67.3
Wabash Valley	49	24	- 25	- 51.0
City Colleges of Chicago	1840	2452	+612	+ 33.3
Rock Valley	102	708	+606	+594.1
Sauk Valley	15	132	+117	+780.0
Southeastern	68	72	+ 4	+ 5.9
Thornton	187	323	+136	+ 72.7
Triton	111	517	+406	+365.8
TOTAL	4088	7375	+3287	+ 80.4

\*Includes only community colleges who participated in both the 1967 and 1973 studies.

TABLE III

Fall 1973 Community College Transfers by Receiving Senior Institutions\*

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Per Cent</u>
Northern Illinois University	1860	17.7
Southern Illinois University (Carbondale)	1284	12.2
Illinois State University	1093	10.4
University of Illinois (Circle)	1037	9.9
Western Illinois University	832	7.9
University of Illinois (Urbana)	745	7.1
Eastern Illinois University	534	5.1
Chicago State University	414	3.9
Roosevelt University	409	3.9
Southern Illinois University (Edwardsville)	409	3.9
Northeastern Illinois University	327	3.1
Sangamon State University	285	2.7
Governors State University	255	2.4
DePaul University	234	2.2
Loyola University	172	1.7
Lewis University	169	1.6
Bradley University	161	1.5
Elmhurst College	89	.9
Illinois Institute of Technology	60	.6
College of St. Francis	57	.5
Rosary College	52	.5
Blackburn College	14	.1
MacMurray College	8	.1
North Park College	4	.1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10,504</b>	<b>100.01</b>

\*Data received only from 24 senior institutions which are estimated to account for over 90% of the community college transfers.

Table IV shows the mobility matrix of community college transfer students to the 24 participating senior institutions in Illinois. The table shows the number of community college students from each community college attending each of the 24 senior institutions. Also shown are the total number of Fall 1973 transfer students in each of the public community colleges and each of the 24 participating senior institutions. The number of transfer students at each community college range from 21 at Richland to 2,452 at Chicago City Colleges which includes seven campuses.

Northern Illinois University enrolled the largest number of community college transfer students, 1860 (17.7% of the total); Southern Illinois University (Carbondale) had the second highest number 1284 (12.2% of the total); followed closely by Illinois State University with 1093 (10.4% of the total) and University of Illinois (Chicago Circle) with 1,037 (9.9% of the total).

It must be pointed out that the Urban Skills Center campus of Chicago City Colleges does not provide baccalaureate instruction, and hence, does not have transfer students. John Wood Community College was not in existence in the Fall of 1973 when this study started. Hence, all public community colleges that provide baccalaureate instruction were included in this state-wide study.



## PRE-TRANSFER CHARACTERISTICS

Phase I of the transfer study involved obtaining data about the pre-transfer characteristics of the Fall, 1973 community college transfer students. Information about the pre-transfer academic achievements of students is important because it is heavily related to performance of students after transfer at the senior institution.

1. Tables V and VI give selected pre-transfer characteristics indicating that six out of every ten transfer students transfer without an associate degree.

2. Tables V and VI show that two out of every ten students transfer as freshmen.

3. Tables V and VI show that in terms of ability as measured by the mean composite ACT scores, these transfer students possess ability more comparable to the native senior college student than the typical community college student.

The pre-transfer grade point average of the Illinois public community college transfer students indicates that these transfer students possess good ability and community college achievement (about a B grade average).

Table VII on page 10 shows the detailed pre-transfer academic level of the students at each community college at the time of transfer. This table shows that a large number of community college students transferred after acquiring a relatively low number of semester hours at the community colleges. As pointed out earlier, about 20% transfer as freshmen. Another interesting factor is that 430 of the transfer students (4.2%) received associate and applied science degrees which are normally considered to be degrees in the occupational/career area rather than baccalaureate degrees. In addition, 107 transfer students (1%) received other associate degrees which are presumably degrees in general studies or liberal studies.

ACADEMIC LEVEL OF FALL, 1973 TRANSFER STUDENT AT COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT TIME OF TRANSFER TO SENIOR COLLEGE

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Dist. Community College	NUMBER OF TRANSFER STUDENTS	NUMBER OF COURSES					TOTAL OF SACRIFICED COURSES BY GIVE-UP COURSES			
		SENIOR MAJOR COURSES								
		31-45	46-50	51-60	61-65	66-70				
501 Kansas	127	6	4	6	12	14	30	3	1	126
502 Kansas	634	55	65	50	70	111	234	27	9	645
503 State P.V.	293	24	26	21	29	34	127	17	0	303
504 State P.V. G.C.	271	13	22	10	23	14	127	17	0	291
505 State P.V. G.C.	271	13	22	10	23	14	127	17	0	291
506 State P.V. G.C.	271	13	22	10	23	14	127	17	0	291
507 State P.V. G.C.	271	13	22	10	23	14	127	17	0	291
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539 State P.V. G.C.	271	13	22	10	23	14	127	17	0	291
STATE TOTALS	10,427	1,089	1,094	1,255	1,245	1,171	3,576	439	107	10,663
501 SOC. EAST ST. LOUIS	77	26	7	31	15	13	35	0	0	77
STATE TOTALS	10,504	1,105	1,101	1,267	1,360	1,184	3,591	439	107	10,145
% in Each Category		10.9	10.9	12.5	13.4	11.7	35.4	4.2	1.0	

\* Do not have baccalaureate oriented programs  
\*\* Was not in operation in Fall of 1973



TABLE V

Community College Degree Status of Fall, 1973 Transfer Students

	<u>No.</u>	<u>Per Cent</u>
Associate Degree Graduates	4128	40.7
Associate Arts/Associate Science*	3591 (87.0%)	
Associate in Applied Science	430 (10.4%)	
Other Associate Degree	107 ( 2.6%)	
Non-Associate Degree Graduates		
Hours Accrued	6017	59.3
0-15	1105 (18.4%)	
16-30	1101 (18.3%)	
31-45	1267 (21.0%)	
46-60	1360 (22.6%)	
Over 60	1184 (19.7%)	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10,145</b>	<b>100.0</b>
*Approved baccalaureate-oriented associate degree		

TABLE VI

Academic Ability Measures of Fall 1973 Transfer Students

	<u>1967</u>	<u>1973</u>
ACT Composite Mean	19.5 (N=2166)	20.0 (N=5469)
Pre-Transfer GPA (4-point scale)	--	2.8 (N=9986)

ACT is the American College Testing which has a range of scores from 0 to 36 with a mean of around 18.

GPA is the gradepoint average compiled in all course work at the community college prior to transferring to the senior institution.

SUMMARY OF POST-TRANSFER FOLLOW-UP DATA BY COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF FALL 1973-TRANSFER STUDENTS  
ACADEMIC STATUS AT THE CLOSE OF THE  
SPRING 1974 TERM AT SENIOR INSTITUTIONS

Dist. Community No. College	TRANSFER STUDENTS	NUMBER OF FALL 1973 STUDENTS	NUMBER CLEAR OF GOOD STUDY	NUMBER OF ACADEMIC REPEATERS	PERCENT DROPPED OUT	NUMBER RE-ENROLLERS	NUMBER OF SENIOR INSTITUTIONS	NUMBER GRADUATED	SPRING 1974 ACADEMIC STATUS AS REPORTED BY SENIOR INSTITUTIONS	
									NUMBER OF STUDENTS	MEAN GPA
501	Kalamazoo	157	15	1	2	1			157	2.63
502	DuPage	64	21	1	2	1			21	2.77
503	Macomb	(253)	(130)	(13)	(11)	(11)		(6)	(253)	(2.68)
	Black Hawk Q.C.	51	1	1	7	1		1	51	2.69
	Black Hawk East	52	53	2	2	3		0	52	2.50
504	Triton	517	314	3	11	9		0	314	2.65
505	Eastland	189	10	13	9	1		1	189	2.64
506	Black Valley	132	50	1	5	5		2	132	2.62
507	Rockwell	158	1	1	2	1		1	158	2.62
508	St. Louis City	(2,251)	(245)	(7)	(37)	(25)		(1,222)	(2,251)	(2.61)
	St. Louis	20	1	0	3	2		0	20	2.70
	St. Louis II	20	1	0	1	11		0	20	2.52
	St. Louis III	20	1	0	1	9		0	20	2.57
	St. Louis IV	20	1	0	1	7		0	20	2.47
	St. Louis V	20	1	0	6	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis VI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis VII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis VIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis IX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis X	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XIV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XVI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XVII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XVIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XIX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XXI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XXII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XXIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XXIV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XXV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XXVI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XXVII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XXVIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XXIX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
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	St. Louis XXXVIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XXXIX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
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	St. Louis XLI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XLII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XLIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis XLIV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
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	St. Louis XLIX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
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	St. Louis LV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LVI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LVII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LVIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LIX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXIV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXVI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXVII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXVIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXIX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXIV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXVI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXVII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXVIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXIX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXIV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXVI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXVII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXVIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXIX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXIV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXVI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXVII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXVIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXIX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXIV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXVI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXVII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXVIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXIX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXIV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
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	St. Louis LXXXXXXVIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXIX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXIV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXVI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXVII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXVIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXIX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXIV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXVI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXVII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXVIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXIX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXX	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXI	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXIII	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXIV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXV	20	1	0	2	1		0	20	2.62
	St. Louis LXXXXXXXVI	20	1	0	2	1	</			

POST-TRANSFER DATA BY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Table VIII shows the post-transfer follow-up data for the Fall, 1973 transfer students by public community college. The table shows the academic status of the students at the close of the Spring, 1974 term at the senior institution and the gradepoint average at the end of the Spring, 1974 term. Also shown are the number of students in the transfer study and the number of students for which the status is known.

An analysis of the academic status of the Fall, 1973 transfer students shows that of those students whose status is known, 78.0% were on clear or good standing with 10.0% being on academic probation, 3.1% dismissed, and 7.7% had withdrawn. This compares very favorably to the status of native students reported by several of the senior institutions that are doing an analysis comparing transfer students with their own native students. It must be pointed out that the reason for the large number of students whose status is unknown is due to the fact that several of the senior institutions did not report the progress of the transfer students to the community colleges for this year.

The number of graduates reported from Fall 1973 transfers at the end of the Spring 1974 Term by the senior institutions was 77. In checking this data, it appears that some of the transfer students had accumulated a large number of hours prior to attending the community college. Hence, graduation within a year after transfer from the community college, was possible. In analyzing the mean gradepoint average of the transfer students by community college, the differences seem to be very, very slight especially when the pre-transfer achievement of the transfer students is considered. Other factors which will cause the gradepoint average to vary are the senior institution that the transfer students attend and the particular major which the transfer students pursue. The differences in GPA of students from the same community college attending different senior colleges were much larger than the differences between the GPA of students from different community colleges.

SPRING 1974  
POST TRANSFER DATA FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
STUDENTS TRANSFERRING TO ILLINOIS SENIOR INSTITUTIONS  
DURING THE FALL 1973 TERM

POST-TRANSFER DATA BY SENIOR INSTITUTION

Table IX shows the post-transfer follow-up data by participating senior institution. The same academic status categories and the cumulative grade-point average at the end of the Spring, 1974 term are shown in this table as in Table VIII. The grade-point averages of the transfer students among these institutions vary more than among the community colleges. Of course, there is a great deal of difference among the types of institutions represented and among the type of majors that these institutions offer. Also, in comparing the grade averages of these institutions we must be aware of the fact that a few high or low grade averages will greatly effect the mean grade-point average if only a few transfer students are attending that particular institution. In this table, we have purposefully omitted the grade-point average for institutions having less than five transfer students for whom a grade-point average was known. Another factor to consider is that a number of these senior institutions give a student an option of either receiving grades or taking the pass-fail option in which no grade-point average is calculated. In this situation, the grade-point average is only given to those students who desire it, and hence, would be expected to be higher than if everyone received grades. It must be pointed out that all grade-point averages were converted to the four point scale with 4.0 equaling A; 3.0 equaling B; 2.0 equaling C, 1.0 equaling D and F equaling 0.

STATEWIDE FOLLOW-UP STUDY OF TRANSFER STUDENTS

TABLE IX

SUMMARY OF POST TRANSFER FOLLOWUP DATA BY PARTICIPATING SENIOR INSTITUTIONS OF FALL 1973 TRANSFER STUDENTS AS OF SPRING 1974 TERM

PARTICIPATING SENIOR INSTITUTIONS	NUMBER OF FALL 1973 TRANSFER STUDENTS	ACADEMIC STATUS AT THE CLOSE OF THE 1973-74 YEAR AT SENIOR INSTITUTIONS						NUMBER GRADUATED	CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE AT SENIOR INSTITUTIONS AT END OF 1973-74 ACADEMIC YEAR (4-point scale)	
		(1) CLEAR OR GOOD STANDING	(2) ON ACADEMIC PROBATION	(3) DISMISSED	(4) WITHDRAWN	(5) UNKNOWN	(6) NUMBER OF STUDENTS		(7) MEAN GPA	
Blackburn College	14	5	0	0	0	9	0	5	3.18	
Bradley University	161	106	18	0	15	22	0	126	2.64	
Chicago State University	414	0	0	0	0	414	0	--	--	
College of St. Francis	57	8	1	0	11	13	24	42	3.38	
DePaul University	234	143	29	1	28	33	0	173	2.58	
Eastern Illinois University	534	236	37	8	23	207	23	378	2.74	
Elmhurst College	89	68	4	0	13	4	0	74	2.71	
Governors State University	255	2b	0	0	46	182	1	21	--	
Illinois Institute of Technology	60	25	9	5	14	7	0	48	2.52	
Illinois State University	1,093	706	112	6	6	257	6	1,042	2.63	
Leis College	169	126	9	0	20	13	1	140	2.69	
Loyola University	172	103	26	0	11	32	0	129	2.40	
MacMurray College	8	1	0	0	1	6	0	1	*	
Northeastern Illinois University	327	27	1	1	13	285	0	43	3.13	
Northern Illinois University	1,860	890	110	4	26	828	8	1,376	2.61	
North Park College	4	3	0	0	1	0	0	4	*	
Roosevelt University	409	278	36	18	6	71	0	333	2.58	
Rossy College	52	42	1	0	3	6	0	41	2.15	
Sangamon State University	285	140	24	0	7	114	0	162	3.16	
Southern Ill. University (Carbondale)	1,284	704	89	19	93	364	15	831	2.80	
Southern Ill. University (Edwardsville)	409	190	17	4	9	188	1	209	2.81	
University of Illinois (Urbana)	745	518	84	33	27	79	4	658	2.83	
University of Illinois (Circle)	1,037	83	0	1	0	953	0	675	2.51	
Western Illinois University	832	536	27	98	119	52	0	654	2.45	
TOTALS	10,504	4,944	634	198	492	4,139	77	7,165	2.65	
Percent of Students with Known Status		78.0%	10.0	3.1%	7.7%		1.2%			

\*to safeguard privacy of individuals, the ICCB has a policy for not reporting data which is for a group less than five to preclude the identification of specific individuals. Hence, the GPA is omitted for these colleges.

COMPARISON OF PRE-TRANSFER DATA WITH POST-TRANSFER DATA

Table X below shows a comparison of the results for the Illinois Public Community College transfer students in this study with transfer students in a national study conducted by Knoell and Medsker.<sup>1</sup> This table shows that the community college transfer students performed about the same as students in the national study. The drop in gradepoint average for the students in the national study was from 2.57 to 2.42 while the drop in GPA for the transfer students in this study was from 2.80 to 2.65. This initial drop in GPA after transfer is a common occurrence known as "transfer shock" and is due to transfer students not being adjusted to their new institution. Usually, the GPA starts back up after the first few terms at the senior college and approaches nearly the same level as the pre-transfer GPA by the senior year. In comparing the results of the transfer students for the various community colleges, it is important to look at the ACT score of the transfer students as well as their pre-transfer GPA because these two factors are very good indicators of the performance of transfer students at senior institutions. As pointed out earlier, however, all of the other relevant factors should also be considered such as the particular senior institution that a majority of these students attend and the particular majors in which they are enrolled.

TABLE X

COMPARISON OF THE PERFORMANCE OF ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRANSFER STUDENTS WITH TRANSFER STUDENTS IN NATIONAL STUDY

	Pre-Transfer	Post-Transfer	
	Community College GPA	1st Term GPA	2nd Term GPA
Illinois Public Community College Transfer Student in this Study	2.80	N.A.	2.65
Transfer Students in National Study (1965)*	2.57	2.27	2.42

\* (1) Knoell, Dorothy M. and Medsker, Leland L., From Junior to Senior College: A National Study of the Transfer Student. American Council on Education, Washington, D. C., 1965.

Table XI on page 18, shows the comparison of pre-transfer data with the post-transfer data for the Fall, 1973 transfer students by each community college. This table shows that generally the average GPA of the transfer students dropped slightly at the senior institution. The average drop in GPA for all Fall, 1973 transfer students was from 2.8 to 2.6 (rounded to the nearest tenth).

#### SUMMARY

Although this statewide transfer study is only in its second phase with the post-transfer data for the second year at the senior institutions still to be submitted and analyzed, the data indicates that Illinois public community colleges are performing the transfer function rather well because of the performance of its transfer students. The three measures of progress which were analyzed were the persistence of the students at the senior college, their academic status, and their achievement as measured by grade point average. The study showed that the large majority of the students who transferred were still actively pursuing the baccalaureate degree, and 78% of those whose academic status was known were on clear or good standing. The grade point average of these transfer students at the end of the Spring 1974 term was a very respectable 2.65 which is only .15 lower than the pre-transfer GPA.

The next part of this study (Phase III) will analyze the progress of the transfer student during the second year at the senior colleges. The data for this part of the study is being collected at this time. It is anticipated that this data will show the number of transfer students who have completed their baccalaureate degrees within two years after transfer. Since many students follow the part-time pattern of attendance at the four-year colleges and universities, it will be necessary to continue this study for several additional years to determine how many of these students reach their goals of completing a bachelor's degree.

We are very hopeful that all senior institutions will be able to continue to furnish progress data on the transfer students so that this study can be

COMPARISON OF PRE-TRANSFER GPA  
HIGH SCHOOL 1974 POST-TRANSFER  
GPA BY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

TABLE XI

Dist. No.	Community College	PRE-TRANSFER ABILITY AND ACHIEVEMENT				SPRING 1974 POST-TRANSFER GPA (4 point scale)		DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PRE-TRANSFER GPA AND 1974 POST-TRANSFER GPA
		ACT COMPOSITE STANDARD SCORE		PRE-TRANSFER GPA (4 point scale)		NUMBER*	MEAN	
		NUMBER	MEAN	NUMBER	MEAN			
501	Earlham	110	20.4	126	2.8	107	2.8	0
502	Dodge	0	--	688	2.9	516	2.6	-.3
503	Black Hawk	(222)	(20.6)	(266)	(2.9)	(230)	(2.7)	-(.2)
	Black Hawk C.C.	187	20.6	214	2.9	193	2.7	-.2
	Black Hawk East	38	21.6	52	3.0	37	2.6	-.4
504	Tricon	378	20.0	428	2.8	270	2.6	-.2
505	Portland	26	19.4	165	3.0	113	2.6	-.4
506	Sauk Valley	84	21.2	102	2.9	59	2.7	-.2
507	Davenport	104	20.8	166	2.9	220	2.6	-.3
508	Chicago	(874)	(17.9)	(2,342)	(2.6)	(1,314)	(2.4)	-(.2)
	Kennedy-Pine	38	18.1	205	2.5	136	2.2	-.3
	Loop	145	15.7	463	2.6	283	2.6	0
	Madison	0	--	205	2.6	16	2.1	-.5
	Mayfair	161	17.8	219	2.6	122	2.4	-.2
	Olive-Barney	19	15.7	297	2.9	104	2.3	-.6
	Southeast	217	18.9	360	2.8	253	2.5	-.3
	Wilbur Wright	293	18.6	404	2.7	330	2.6	-.1
	Willa Lister	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
509	Elgin	153	21.2	175	2.7	154	2.9	+2
510	Thornton	0	--	116	3.0	212	2.8	-.2
511	Rock Valley	225	20.2	322	2.6	611	2.8	+2
512	William A. Harper	565	21.2	715	2.7	483	2.7	0
513	Illinois Valley	153	21.5	191	2.7	180	2.8	+1
514	Illinois Central	267	20.9	309	2.8	256	2.7	-.1
515	Prairie State	194	19.1	271	2.2	52	2.6	-.2
516	Kankakee	97	21.0	120	2.7	88	2.4	-.1
517	LaSalle	178	17.2	172	2.9	151	2.6	-.3
518	Carl Sandburg	47	20.0	60	2.7	43	2.5	-.2
519	Woodland	66	19.2	71	2.6	61	2.9	+3
520	Waukegan	65	19.4	75	2.8	37	2.4	-.4
521	Fond Lake	103	20.2	116	2.4	93	3.0	+6
522	Rollville	166	21.5	225	2.9	137	2.7	-.2
523	Fishhawk	55	19.9	69	2.9	109	2.6	-.3
524	Barringer Valley	124	17.0	240	2.9	109	2.6	-.1
525	Joliet	234	17.0	323	2.9	535	2.7	-.1
526	Lincoln Land	219	20.6	320	2.9	321	2.9	0
527	Fontana	67	19.1	75	2.5	109	2.6	+1
528	Hellery	45	20.4	85	2.9	74	2.6	-.3
529	Illinois Eastern	(114)	(20.8)	(122)	(2.8)	(112)	(2.9)	(+1)
	Lincoln Trail	17	21.8	1	2.9	17	2.8	-.1
	Olney Central	75	20.9	81	2.7	77	2.0	+3
	Wabash Valley	22	19.6	23	2.9	18	2.9	0
530	John A. Logan	69	18.5	105	2.9	73	2.8	-.1
531	Shawnee	43	19.3	43	2.9	36	2.7	-.2
532	Lake County	105	20.9	105	2.9	61	2.5	-.4
533	Southeastern	60	22.9	69	3.0	56	2.8	-.2
534	Spoon River	50	20.2	54	2.7	35	2.7	0
535	Oakton	125	19.5	211	2.9	138	2.5	-.4
536	Lewis and Clark	67	20.0	118	2.8	16	2.7	-.1
537	Richland	14	18.5	21	2.7	8	2.6	-.1
539	John Wood	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
SUBTOTALS		5,456	20.0	9,912	2.8	7,091	2.6	-.2
601	St. Louis East M. Louis	13	11.2	74	2.7	74	2.8	+1
STATE TOTALS		5,469	20.0	9,986	2.8	7,165	2.6	-.2

\* The # of Students with only Known Status.

completed. In addition, we hope that the few senior institutions who have not been able to report the progress of the transfer students for Part II of the study will make every effort to report this data to the community colleges so that this information can be included in the final report of this follow-up study.

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