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This document updates the 2002-2003 "Fact File," which provided information about the independent colleges and universities in Ohio. It contains the most current facts about the 52 institutions that are members of the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Ohio (AICUO). Independent institutions of higher education in Ohio have experienced 17 consecutive years of enrollment growth. Students are attracted to these institutions because of the personal attention they receive; the average student to faculty ratio is 14.9 to 1. Students attending independent colleges in Ohio are successful. Nearly 81% of freshmen return for their sophomore years. Figures present information about enrollment, degrees conferred, minority success, tuition and financial aid, the Ohio Student Choice Grant, and Ohio Instructional Grants. A chart lists institutions responding to the survey on which the report is based. (SLD)

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Letter from the Chair and President

September 2003

Dear Friends,



R. Stanton Hales



Larry H. Christman

The Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Ohio (AICUO) is pleased to provide this 2003-04 Update to the 2002-03 Fact File. This update provides the most current facts about AICUO's 52 independent, nonprofit colleges and universities.

Independent colleges and universities have experienced 17 consecutive years of enrollment growth, demonstrating that Ohio students value the education provided by these institutions. Students are attracted to independent institutions because of the personal attention they receive - the average student to faculty ratio is 14.9 to 1. Students attending independent colleges are successful. Nearly 81% of freshmen enrolled return for their sophomore years, and 51.9% of Ohio independent college students graduate in four years.

By meeting the needs of Ohio's students, independent colleges and universities are also serving the state in many important ways. Ohio's independent colleges enroll one of the largest private college student bodies in the nation, enrolling just over 33% of all students attending Ohio four-year institutions. This leads to substantial savings for Ohio by not having to educate these students at public expense.

Ohio's independent higher education sector is an important and essential resource for the state, the nation and college-bound students.

Sincerely,

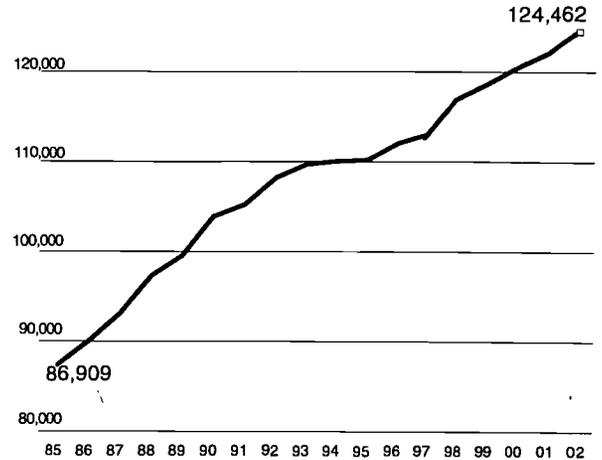
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Enrollment

Ohio's private colleges and universities enroll 33 percent of the students attending four-year institutions in Ohio. Their total enrollment for fall 2002 was 124,462, that is an increase of over 2,100 students from the previous year.

**Fall Headcount, 1985-2002
Ohio Independent Campuses**

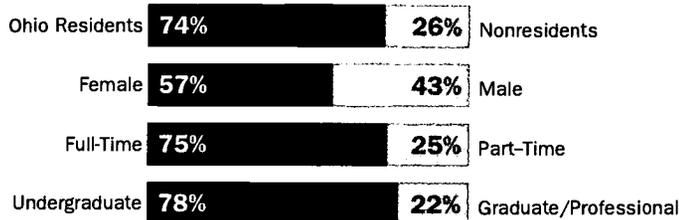


Source: Ohio Board of Regents Student Inventory Data, IPEDS Fall Enrollment Survey

Total Enrollment Composition

AICUO Members, Fall 2002

Source: Ohio Board of Regents Student Inventory Data, IPEDS Fall Enrollment Survey



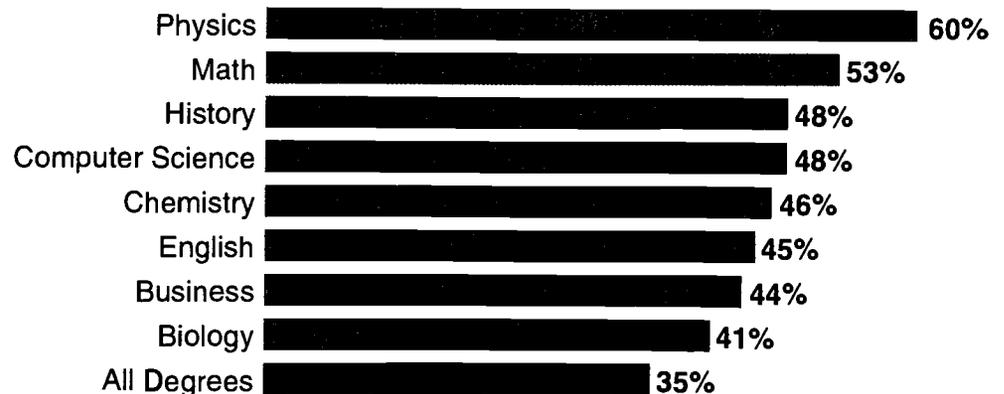
Degrees

In the 2001-2002 academic year, Ohio's independent colleges and universities awarded 35 percent of all bachelor's degrees in the state. Overall, the private colleges and universities awarded 27,496 associate through graduate and professional degrees in the 2001-2002 academic year.

AICUO Members' Share of Ohio's Bachelor's Degrees

Awarded July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002

Source: IPEDS-C Completions Survey



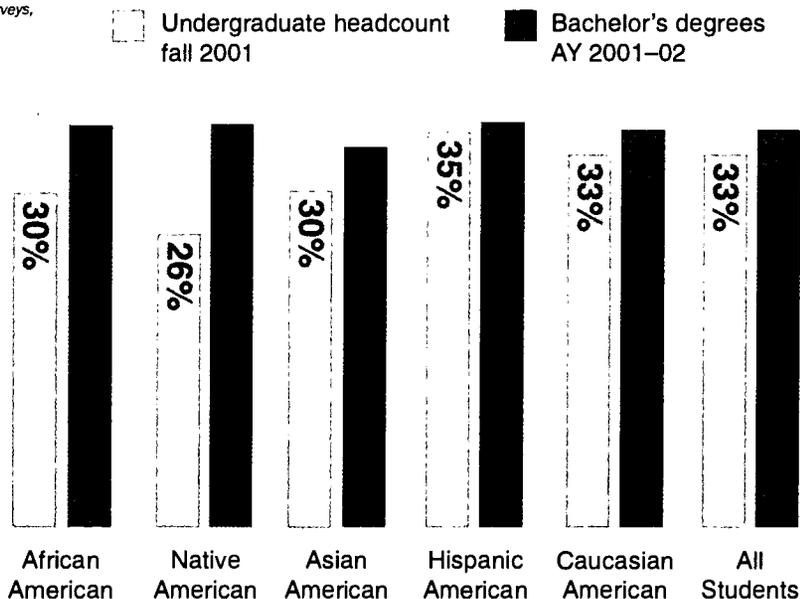
Minority Success

Ohio's independent institutions are diverse campuses. In the 2001-2002 academic year, Ohio's private colleges and universities enrolled 28.7 percent of minorities at four-year institutions.

Minority Student Success

Academic Year 2001-2002

Source: IPEDS Fall Enrollment and Completion Surveys, Ohio Board of Regents Student Inventory Data.



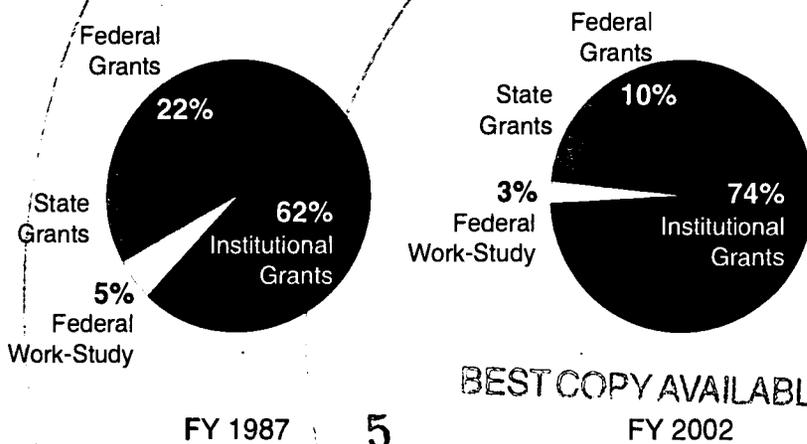
Tuition & Financial Aid

The 2003-2004 undergraduate tuition and fees average for Ohio's private colleges and universities is \$17,256. Approximately 71 percent of freshmen at Ohio's private colleges and universities received financial aid. The average financial aid package was \$15,244. AICUO members awarded \$451 million of their own revenue in financial aid for students in FY 2002.

Increase In Institutional Financial Aid

Share of Financial Aid (excluding loans) to Ohio Independent College Students at AICUO Members.

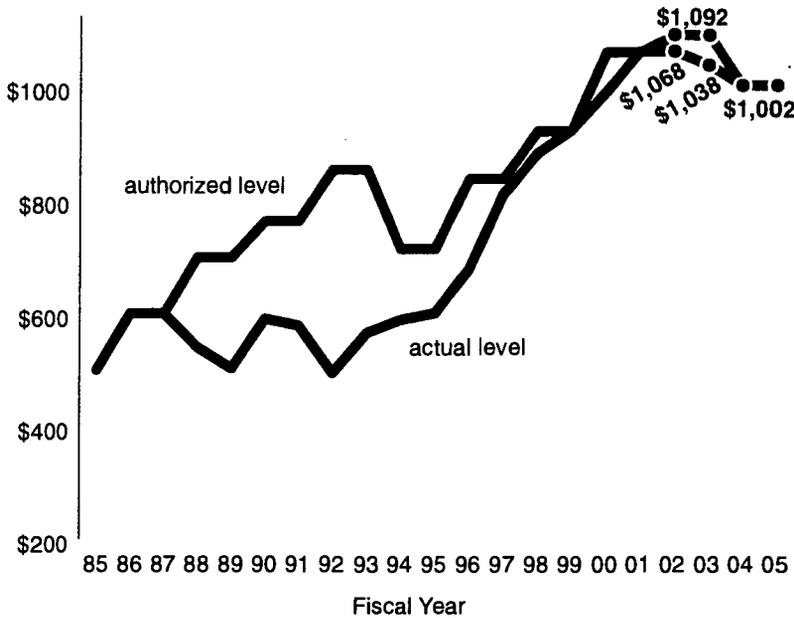
Source: IPEDS Finance Survey



Ohio Student Choice Grant

The Student Choice Grant program - financial aid for Ohio residents enrolled full time in baccalaureate programs at Ohio's private colleges and universities - benefited 50,751 students at AICUO member institutions during fiscal year 2002.

Student Choice Grant Funding

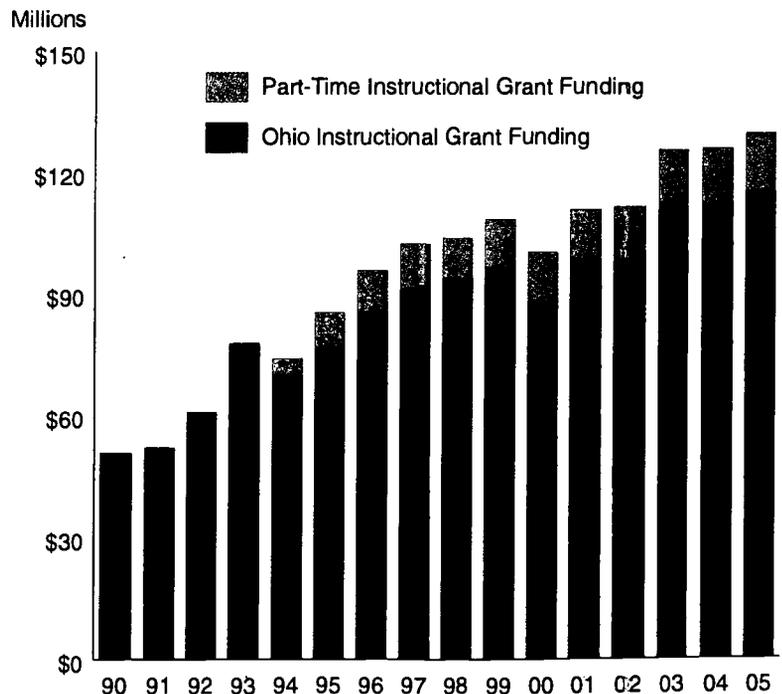


Source: Ohio State Budgets, Ohio Board of Regents and Office of State Grants and Scholarships

Ohio Instructional Grants

Nearly 11,000 students received need-based financial aid at AICUO member institutions funded by the State of Ohio. The Ohio Instructional Grant and Part-time Instructional Grant programs benefit full-time and part-time students attending private nonprofit, proprietary or public institutions. Improvements to these programs include increasing the income ceiling caps and individual grant awards.

State Funded Need-Based Financial Aid



Source: Ohio State Budgets.

AICUO Institutional Enrollment Survey, Fall 2002

	full-time, first-time freshmen	full-time undergraduate	full-time graduate & professional	part-time undergraduate	part-time graduate & professional	TOTAL HEADCOUNT	full-time equivalent
Antioch College	157	654	0	15	0	669	582
Antioch University McGregor	0	70	277	93	263	703	634
Antioch University	157	724	277	108	263	1,372	1,216
Art Academy of Cincinnati	34	176	0	12	9	197	181
Ashland University	559	2,340	1,530	408	2,152	6,430	4,767
Baldwin-Wallace College	733	3,046	187	864	622	4,719	3,714
Bluffton College	263	986	32	67	25	1,110	1,056
Capital University	570	2,075	670	710	492	3,947	3,432
Case Western Reserve University	836	3,157	3,674	300	1,966	9,097	8,027
Cedarville University	774	2,841	0	145	14	3,000	2,869
Columbus College of Art & Design	250	1,323	0	257	0	1,580	1,343
Dayton, University of	1,644	6,552	1,578	533	1,463	10,126	9,013
Defiance College	169	679	8	215	96	998	814
Denison University	633	2,076	0	20	0	2,096	2,081
Findlay, The University of	726	2,703	308	681	899	4,591	3,778
Franciscan University of Steubenville	359	1,648	148	151	306	2,253	1,948
Franklin University	35	1,635	533	3,228	412	5,808	4,768
Heidelberg College	280	1,006	16	271	190	1,483	1,173
Hiram College	233	941	0	193	0	1,134	1,070
John Carroll University	843	3,281	181	185	647	4,294	4,114
Kenyon College	440	1,551	0	25	0	1,576	1,562
Kettering College of Medical Arts	73	321	0	202	0	523	550
Lake Erie College	133	560	4	123	133	820	743
Lourdes College	60	578	14	694	14	1,300	993
Malone College	348	1,659	18	219	241	2,137	1,995
Marietta College	264	1,035	15	93	78	1,221	1,112
MedCentral College of Nursing	20	61	0	4	0	65	65
Mercy College of Northwest Ohio	77	196	0	210	0	406	349
Mount Carmel College of Nursing	40	353	0	71	0	424	402
Mount St. Joseph, College of	300	1,289	37	554	188	2,068	1,806
Mount Union College	578	2,095	0	277	0	2,372	2,187
Mount Vernon Nazarene University	349	1,935	2	300	100	2,337	2,143
Muskingum College	448	1,607	26	79	318	2,030	1,600
Myers University	39	575	27	512	61	1,175	995
Northwestern Ohio, University of	1,358	1,913	0	292	0	2,205	2,033
Notre Dame College	76	320	15	396	142	873	586
Oberlin College	719	2,743	13	105	0	2,861	2,837
Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine	0	0	243	0	3	246	241
Ohio Dominican University	251	1,607	52	643	15	2,317	1,823
Ohio Northern University	533	2,124	1,107	157	42	3,430	3,288
Ohio Wesleyan University	546	1,904	0	31	0	1,935	1,912
Otterbein College	544	1,954	5	680	432	3,071	2,516
Rio Grande, University of	390	1,558	12	347	152	2,069	2,242
Tiffin University	258	979	227	225	102	1,533	1,368
Union Institute & University	25	868	1,648	286	0	2,802	2,597
Urbana University	150	814	2	519	71	1,406	1,062
Ursuline College	94	581	84	427	227	1,319	1,113
Walsh University	302	1,093	66	387	102	1,648	1,433
Wilberforce University	212	1,183	0	7	0	1,190	1,185
Wilmington College	454	1,459	16	470	15	1,960	1,575
Wittenberg University	611	1,964	0	216	26	2,206	2,105
Wooster, The College of	512	1,811	0	45	0	1,856	1,826
Xavier University	757	3,366	680	576	1,951	6,573	5,502
TOTAL FOUR-YEAR ENROLLMENT	20,059	79,245	13,455	17,520	13,969	124,189	109,109
Chatfield College*	55	139	0	134	0	273	223
TOTAL TWO-YEAR ENROLLMENT	55	139	0	134	0	273	223
GRAND TOTAL ALL ENROLLMENT	20,114	79,384	13,455	17,654	13,969	124,462	109,331

* Two-year campus awarding associate degrees only



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