

## Appendix 9

### IPEDS Freshmen Retention Rates

**Table A9.1  
Nebraska Full-Time Freshmen Retention Rates  
of Nebraska Postsecondary Institutions by Sector  
Fall 2008 Compared to Fall 2004 Baseline<sup>1</sup>**

Sector of Nebraska Postsecondary Education	Fall 2004			Fall 2008		
	No. of Full-Time, First-Time Freshmen Fall 2003		Full-Time Retention Rate Fall 2004 <sup>2</sup>	No. of Full-Time, First-Time Freshmen Fall 2007		Full-Time Retention Rate Fall 2008 <sup>2</sup>
	No. Enrolled	No. for Rate Calculation <sup>3</sup>		No. Enrolled	No. for Rate Calculation <sup>3</sup>	
University of Nebraska	6,327	6,327	<b>78.4%</b>	6,861	6,861	<b>79.3%</b>
Nebraska State College System	1,231	1,231	<b>69.7%</b>	1,261	1,261	<b>64.5%</b>
Nebraska Community Colleges	5,576	5,576	<b>61.1%</b>	4,015	4,015	<b>62.0%</b>
Total All Public Institutions	13,134	13,134	<b>70.2%</b>	12,137	12,137	<b>72.0%</b>
Nebraska Independent Institutions	3,613	3,514	<b>76.7%</b>	3,336	3,303	<b>74.6%</b>
Degree-Granting For-Profit Schools	1,053	760	<b>56.3%</b>	965	791	<b>73.9%</b>
Non-Degree-Granting For-Profit Schools	655	589	<b>85.9%</b>	238	214	<b>74.5%</b>
<b>Nebraska State Retention Rate</b>	18,455	17,997	<b>71.4%</b>	16,676	16,445	<b>72.7%</b>

<sup>1</sup>Data Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), (CCPE survey downloads) fall 2004 and 2008 surveys with minor adjustments to the numbers of first-time freshmen in the independent and for-profit sectors to improve data accuracy. (The 2004 data are adjusted for changes reported by Clarkson College.) The for-profit schools include three schools of radiologic technology, which are operated by non-profit organizations.

<sup>2</sup>The retention rate for fall of a given year is the percentage of first-time freshmen enrolled in the fall of the previous year who were enrolled at the same institution one year later.

<sup>3</sup>Sector retention rates are based on the numbers of first-time freshmen and the retention rates reported by each institution within the sector. So that sector percentages are comparable, the sector retention rates reported in this table are calculated:

- Excluding UNMC, Alegent Health School of Radiologic Technology, Mary Lanning Memorial Hospital School of Radiologic Technology, Regional West Medical Center School of Radiologic Technology, and the Universal College of Healing Arts because these institutions did not enroll first-time freshmen in 2003, 2007 or both.
- Excluding BryanLGH College of Health Sciences, Nebraska Indian Community College, Kaplan University-Lincoln Campus, and Omaha School of Massage Therapy because these institutions failed to report retention rates in 2004 or 2008.
- Excluding Doane College-Lincoln, University of Phoenix-Omaha Campus, and Vatterott College because these institutions either opened after 2004 or closed a campus before 2008.

**Table A9.2  
Nebraska Part-Time Freshmen Retention Rates  
of Nebraska Postsecondary Institutions by Sector  
Fall 2008 Compared to Fall 2004 Baseline<sup>1</sup>**

Sector of Nebraska Postsecondary Education	Fall 2004			Fall 2008		
	No. of Part-Time, First-Time Freshmen Fall 2003		Full-Time Retention Rate Fall 2004 <sup>2</sup>	No. of Part-Time, First-Time Freshmen Fall 2007		Full-Time Retention Rate Fall 2008 <sup>2</sup>
	No. Enrolled	No. for Rate Calculation		No. Enrolled	No. for Rate Calculation	
University of Nebraska	174	172	<b>54.6%</b>	141	141	<b>52.2%</b>
Nebraska State College System	62	62	<b>46.0%</b>	21	21	<b>43.0%</b>
Nebraska Community Colleges	2,357	2,357	<b>36.8%</b>	2,027	2,027	<b>50.3%</b>
Total All Public Institutions	2,593	2,591	<b>38.2%</b>	2,189	2,189	<b>50.3%</b>
Nebraska Independent Institutions	220	115	Insufficient Data	66	34	Insufficient Data
Degree-Granting For-Profit Schools	149	12	Insufficient Data	74	8	Insufficient Data
Non-Degree-Granting For-Profit Schools	36	0	Insufficient Data	20	0	Insufficient Data
<b>Nebraska State Retention Rate</b>	2,998	2,718	Insufficient Data	2,349	2,231	Insufficient Data

<sup>1</sup>Data Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), (CCPE survey downloads) fall 2004 and 2008 surveys with minor adjustments to the numbers of first-time freshmen in the independent and for-profit sectors to improve data accuracy. (The 2004 data are adjusted for changes reported by Clarkson College.) The for-profit schools include three schools of radiologic technology, which are operated by non-profit organizations.

<sup>2</sup>The retention rate for fall of a given year is the percentage of first-time freshmen enrolled in the fall of the previous year who were enrolled at the same institution one year later.

Sector retention rates are based on the numbers of first-time freshmen and the retention rates reported by the institutions within the sector, excluding the schools that did not provide sufficient data for calculating comparable sector rates for 2004 and 2008. Note the following with regard to the calculation of sector retention rates for part-time students:

- The Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture did not report a 2004 retention rate for its part-time students. Consequently, this school is excluded from the calculation of the part-time retention rate for the University of Nebraska. (In fall 2007, NCTA had no part-time, first-time freshmen.)
- Independent institutions that reported part-time retention rates of 0% or that did not report the number of part-time, first-time freshmen the previous fall were considered as "non-reporting" and excluded from this analysis. Institutions who did not enroll part-time freshmen for fall 2003 or 2007 were also excluded. As a result, the students from all of the independent institutions, except Bellevue University, had to be excluded from the analysis, resulting in insufficient data for computing a part-time retention rate for the independent sector.
- The schools in the degree-granting and non-degree-granting for-profit sectors did not provide sufficient data to calculate estimated part-time retention rates for these sectors.

As a result of insufficient data for the independent and for-profit sectors, an estimated part-time retention rate could not be calculated for the state.

**Table A9.3  
Nebraska Freshmen Retention Rates  
for Public Four-Year and Two-Year Community Colleges  
For Comparisons to National Rates**

**Fall 2005 Retention Rates<sup>1</sup>**

Institutions	No. of First-Time Freshmen Fall 2004	Retention Rate Fall 2005	Estimated No. of Students Retained by Calculation <sup>2</sup>	Estimated Retention Rate for State-to-State Comparisons
<b>Full-Time Freshmen Retention Rates</b>				
University of Nebraska at Kearney	1,098	84%	922	
University of Nebraska-Lincoln	3,238	84%	2,720	
University of Nebraska at Omaha	1,583	75%	1,187	
Chadron State College	326	70%	228	
Peru State College	209	65%	136	
Wayne State College	552	67%	370	
<b>Total Public 4-Year Institutions</b>	7,006		5,563	<b>79.4%</b>
<b>Part-Time Freshmen Retention Rates</b>				
Central Community College	385	58%	223	
Metropolitan Community College	805	47%	378	
Mid-Plains Community College	316	34%	108	
Northeast Community College	762	71%	541	
Southeast Community College	2,350	69%	1,622	
Western Nebraska Community College	335	52%	174	
<b>Total Public 2-Year Community Colleges</b>	4,953		3,046	<b>61.5%</b>
<b>Part-Time Freshmen Retention Rates</b>				
University of Nebraska at Kearney	65	77%	50	
University of Nebraska-Lincoln	28	36%	10	
University of Nebraska at Omaha	60	48%	29	
Chadron State College	44	36%	16	
Peru State College	10	50%	5	
Wayne State College	12	33%	4	
<b>Total Public 4-Year Institutions</b>	219		114	<b>51.9%</b>
Central Community College	115	42%	48	
Metropolitan Community College	606	34%	206	
Mid-Plains Community College	49	20%	10	
Northeast Community College	46	62%	29	
Southeast Community College	927	47%	436	
Western Nebraska Community College	215	16%	34	
<b>Total Public 2-Year Community Colleges</b>	1,958		763	<b>39.0%</b>

<sup>1</sup>Data Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), fall 2005 survey (CCPE survey download). See page 185 of the *2007 Progress Report* for information regarding data adjustments.

<sup>2</sup>The total estimated number of students retained equals the number of first-time freshmen multiplied by the retention rate. Numbers in this table are rounded to the nearest whole number, but sector rates are based on numbers carried two decimal places.

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**Fall 2006 Retention Rates<sup>1</sup>**

Institutions	No. of First-Time Freshmen Fall 2005	Retention Rate Fall 2006	Estimated No. of Students Retained by Calculation <sup>2</sup>	Estimated Retention Rate for State-to-State Comparisons
<b>Full-Time Freshmen Retention Rates</b>				
University of Nebraska at Kearney	1,022	80%	818	
University of Nebraska-Lincoln	3,538	84%	2,972	
University of Nebraska at Omaha	1,696	71%	1,204	
Chadron State College	289	72%	208	
Peru State College	196	60%	118	
Wayne State College	587	70%	411	
<b>Total Public 4-Year Institutions</b>	<b>7,328</b>		<b>5,730</b>	<b>78.2%</b>
<b>Part-Time Freshmen Retention Rates</b>				
Central Community College	694	67%	465	
Metropolitan Community College	905	51%	462	
Mid-Plains Community College	298	58%	173	
Northeast Community College	788	71%	559	
Southeast Community College	2,083	72%	1,500	
Western Nebraska Community College	306	42%	129	
<b>Total Public 2-Year Community Colleges</b>	<b>5,074</b>		<b>3,288</b>	<b>64.8%</b>
<b>Part-Time Freshmen Retention Rates</b>				
University of Nebraska at Kearney	40	60%	24	
University of Nebraska-Lincoln	22	59%	13	
University of Nebraska at Omaha	62	44%	27	
Chadron State College	37	50%	19	
Peru State College	17	100%	17	
Wayne State College	6	50%	3	
<b>Total Public 4-Year Institutions</b>	<b>184</b>		<b>103</b>	<b>55.8%</b>
Central Community College	254	32%	81	
Metropolitan Community College	604	33%	199	
Mid-Plains Community College	47	31%	15	
Northeast Community College	48	62%	30	
Southeast Community College	732	61%	447	
Western Nebraska Community College	171	19%	32	
<b>Total Public 2-Year Community Colleges</b>	<b>1,856</b>		<b>804</b>	<b>43.3%</b>

<sup>1</sup>Data Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), fall 2006 survey (CCPE survey download).

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**Fall 2007 Retention Rates<sup>1</sup>**

Institutions	No. of First-Time Freshmen Fall 2006	Retention Rate Fall 2007	Estimated No. of Students Retained by Calculation <sup>2</sup>	Estimated Retention Rate for State-to-State Comparisons
<b>Full-Time Freshmen Retention Rates</b>				
University of Nebraska at Kearney	958	79%	757	
University of Nebraska-Lincoln	3,831	83%	3,180	
University of Nebraska at Omaha	1,639	74%	1,213	
Chadron State College	354	66%	234	
Peru State College	204	50%	102	
Wayne State College	606	75%	455	
<b>Total Public 4-Year Institutions</b>	<b>7,592</b>		<b>5,940</b>	<b>78.2%</b>
<b>Public 2-Year Community Colleges</b>				
Central Community College	744	63%	469	
Metropolitan Community College	956	54%	516	
Mid-Plains Community College	243	59%	143	
Northeast Community College	716	70%	501	
Southeast Community College	1,596	64%	1,021	
Western Nebraska Community College	362	55%	199	
<b>Total Public 2-Year Community Colleges</b>	<b>4,617</b>		<b>2,850</b>	<b>61.7%</b>
<b>Part-Time Freshmen Retention Rates</b>				
University of Nebraska at Kearney	56	77%	43	
University of Nebraska-Lincoln	18	44%	8	
University of Nebraska at Omaha	66	41%	27	
Chadron State College	12	33%	4	
Peru State College	12	33%	4	
Wayne State College	5	20%	1	
<b>Total Public 4-Year Institutions</b>	<b>169</b>		<b>87</b>	<b>51.5%</b>
<b>Public 2-Year Community Colleges</b>				
Central Community College	235	33%	78	
Metropolitan Community College	632	33%	209	
Mid-Plains Community College	28	39%	11	
Northeast Community College	75	65%	49	
Southeast Community College	672	47%	316	
Western Nebraska Community College	95	19%	18	
<b>Total Public 2-Year Community Colleges</b>	<b>1,737</b>		<b>680</b>	<b>39.1%</b>

<sup>1</sup>Data Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), fall 2007 survey (CCPE survey download). The National Center for Higher Education Management Systems (NCHEMS) obtained data for national and state comparisons using the IPEDS cutting tool. Calculations based on survey download data were used for this table and for Nebraska's rates in state-to-state comparisons so that the fall 2007 rates for Nebraska were comparable to those for fall 2004. (Beginning in 2007, the survey download and cutting tool no longer contained the same data elements.)

<sup>2</sup>The total estimated number of students retained equals the number of first-time freshmen multiplied by the retention rate. Numbers in this table are rounded to the nearest whole number, but sector rates are based on numbers carried two decimal places.

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**Fall 2008 Retention Rates<sup>1</sup>**

Institutions	No. of First-Time Freshmen Fall 2007	Retention Rate Fall 2008	Estimated No. of Students Retained by Calculation <sup>2</sup>	Estimated Retention Rate for State-to-State Comparisons
<b>Full-Time Freshmen Retention Rates</b>				
University of Nebraska at Kearney	948	79%	749	
University of Nebraska-Lincoln	4215	84%	3,541	
University of Nebraska at Omaha	1603	69%	1,106	
Chadron State College	409	64%	262	
Peru State College	198	64%	127	
Wayne State College	654	65%	425	
<b>Total Public 4-Year Institutions</b>	<b>7,373</b>		<b>5,784</b>	<b>78.4%</b>
<b>Part-Time Freshmen Retention Rates</b>				
Central Community College	706	65%	459	
Metropolitan Community College	925	51%	472	
Mid-Plains Community College	289	52%	150	
Northeast Community College	781	68%	531	
Southeast Community College	931	74%	689	
Western Nebraska Community College	383	49%	188	
<b>Total Public 2-Year Community Colleges</b>	<b>4,015</b>		<b>2,489</b>	<b>62.0%</b>
<b>Part-Time Freshmen Retention Rates</b>				
University of Nebraska at Kearney	48	65%	31	
University of Nebraska-Lincoln	20	55%	11	
University of Nebraska at Omaha	73	43%	31	
Chadron State College	6	17%	1	
Peru State College	8	100%	8	
Wayne State College	7	0%	0	
<b>Total Public 4-Year Institutions</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>83</b>	<b>53.3%</b>
Central Community College	160	35%	56	
Metropolitan Community College	645	32%	206	
Mid-Plains Community College	74	34%	25	
Northeast Community College	60	33%	20	
Southeast Community College	969	70%	678	
Western Nebraska Community College	119	28%	33	
<b>Total Public 2-Year Community Colleges</b>	<b>2,027</b>		<b>1,019</b>	<b>50.3%</b>

<sup>1</sup>Data Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), fall 2008 survey (CCPE survey download). The National Center for Higher Education Management Systems (NCHEMS) obtained data for national and state comparisons using the IPEDS cutting tool. Calculations based on survey download data were used for this table and for Nebraska's rates in state-to-state comparisons so that the fall 2008 rates for Nebraska were comparable to those for fall 2004. (Beginning in 2007, the survey download and cutting tool no longer contained the same data elements.)

<sup>2</sup>The total estimated number of students retained equals the number of first-time freshmen multiplied by the retention rate. Numbers in this table are rounded to the nearest whole number, but sector rates are based on numbers carried two decimal places.

**Table A9.4  
Nebraska First-Time, Full-Time Freshmen Retention Rates by Institution  
Fall 2008 Compared to Fall 2004 Baseline<sup>1</sup>**

Sector and Institution	% of Fall 2003 Full-Time Freshmen Enrolled Fall 2004	% of Fall 2007 Full-Time Freshmen Enrolled Fall 2008	Change Since Fall 2004 Baseline Year
<b>University of Nebraska</b>			
Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture	73%	46%	-27%
University of Nebraska at Kearney	82%	79%	-3%
University of Nebraska-Lincoln	79%	84%	5%
University of Nebraska at Omaha	75%	69%	-6%
<b>Nebraska State College System</b>			
Chadron State College	73%	64%	-9%
Peru State College	60%	64%	4%
Wayne State College	70%	65%	-5%
<b>Nebraska Community Colleges</b>			
Central Community College	60%	65%	5%
Metropolitan Community College	49%	51%	2%
Mid-Plains Community College	43%	52%	9%
Northeast Community College	67%	68%	1%
Southeast Community College	68%	74%	6%
Western Nebraska Community College	50%	49%	-1%
<b>Independent Colleges &amp; Universities</b>			
Bellevue University	62%	28%	-34%
BryanLGH College of Health Sciences	No Report	88%	
Clarkson College	90%	66%	-24%
College of Saint Mary	69%	60%	-9%
Concordia University	77%	81%	4%
Creighton University	88%	87%	-1%
Dana College	66%	57%	-9%
Doane College	79%	74%	-5%
Grace University	67%	70%	3%
Hastings College	75%	69%	-6%
Little Priest Tribal College	43%	29%	-14%
Midland Lutheran College	67%	65%	-2%
Nebraska Christian College	63%	54%	-9%
Nebraska Indian Community College	No Report	27%	
Nebraska Methodist College of Nursing & Allied Health	87%	74%	-13%
Nebraska Wesleyan University	80%	83%	3%
Summit Christian College	71%	60%	-11%
Union College	69%	67%	-2%
York College	66%	76%	10%

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Sector and Institution	% of Fall 2003 Full-Time Freshmen Enrolled Fall 2004	% of Fall 2007 Full-Time Freshmen Enrolled Fall 2008	Change Since Fall 2004 Baseline Year
<b>Degree-Granting Career Schools</b>			
Alegent Health School of Radiologic Technology	90%	Not Applicable	
ITT Technical Institute-Omaha	68%	100%	32%
Kaplan University-Lincoln Campus	No Report	89%	
Kaplan University-Omaha Campus	43%	80%	37%
Myotherapy Institute	90%	85%	-5%
The Creative Center	83%	100%	17%
Universal College of Healing Arts	Not Applicable	85%	
University of Phoenix-Omaha Campus	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Vatterott College	69%	Not Applicable	
Vatterott College-Spring Valley Campus	69%	64%	-5%
<b>Non-Degree-Granting Career Schools</b>			
Capitol School of Hairstyling	77%	100%	23%
College of Hair Design	96%	95%	-1%
Fullen School of Hair Design	69%	73%	4%
Josephs College of Beauty-Lincoln	77%	59%	-18%
La'James International College	100%	59%	-41%
Mary Lanning Memorial Hospital School of Radiologic Technology	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Omaha School of Massage Therapy	95%	No Report	
Regional West Medical Center School of Radiologic Technology	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Xenon International School of Hair Design II Inc	100%	93%	-7%
<p><sup>1</sup>Data Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), fall 2004 and 2008 surveys.</p> <p>Note: No Report indicates that the school did not report a retention rate or reported 0%. Not Applicable Indicates that the school did not enroll freshmen for that year.</p>			

**Table A9.5  
Nebraska First-Time, Part-Time Freshmen Retention Rates by Institution  
Fall 2008 Compared to Fall 2004 Baseline<sup>1</sup>**

Sector and Institution	% of Fall 2003 Part-Time Freshmen Enrolled Fall 2004	% of Fall 2007 Part-Time Freshmen Enrolled Fall 2008	Change Since Fall 2004 Baseline Year
<b>University of Nebraska</b>			
Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture	No Report	Not Applicable	
University of Nebraska at Kearney	67%	65%	-2%
University of Nebraska-Lincoln	42%	55%	13%
University of Nebraska at Omaha	49%	43%	-6%
<b>Nebraska State College System</b>			
Chadron State College	42%	17%	-25%
Peru State College	67%	100%	33%
Wayne State College	50%	0%	-50%
<b>Nebraska Community Colleges</b>			
Central Community College	34%	35%	1%
Metropolitan Community College	35%	32%	-3%
Mid-Plains Community College	27%	34%	7%
Northeast Community College	42%	33%	-9%
Southeast Community College	42%	70%	28%
Western Nebraska Community College	17%	28%	11%
<b>Independent Colleges &amp; Universities</b>			
Bellevue University	42%	29%	-13%
BryanLGH College of Health Sciences	Not Applicable	100%	
Clarkson College	80%	Not Applicable	
College of Saint Mary	No Report	60%	
Concordia University	No Report	Not Applicable	
Creighton University	No Report	50%	
Dana College	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Doane College	No Report	Not Applicable	
Grace University	57%	25%	-32%
Hastings College	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Little Priest Tribal College	No Report	11%	
Midland Lutheran College	No Report	Not Applicable	
Nebraska Christian College	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Nebraska Indian Community College	No Report	33%	
Nebraska Methodist College of Nursing & Allied Health	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Nebraska Wesleyan University	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Summit Christian College	100%	Not Applicable	
Union College	1%	Not Applicable	
York College	No Report	100%	

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Sector and Institution	% of Fall 2003 Part-Time Freshmen Enrolled Fall 2004	% of Fall 2007 Part-Time Freshmen Enrolled Fall 2008	Change Since Fall 2004 Baseline Year
<b>Degree-Granting Career Schools</b>			
Alegent Health School of Radiologic Technology	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
ITT Technical Institute-Omaha	50%	8%	-42%
Kaplan University-Lincoln Campus	No Report	19%	
Kaplan University-Omaha Campus	No Report	63%	
Myotherapy Institute	100%	13%	-87%
The Creative Center	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Universal College of Healing Arts	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
University of Phoenix-Omaha Campus	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Vatterott College	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Vatterott College-Spring Valley Campus	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
<b>Non-Degree-Granting Career Schools</b>			
Capitol School of Hairstyling	16%	100%	84%
College of Hair Design	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Fullen School of Hair Design	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Josephs College of Beauty-Lincoln	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
La'James International College	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Mary Lanning Memorial Hospital School of Radiologic Technology	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Omaha School of Massage Therapy	70%	No Report	
Regional West Medical Center School of Radiologic Technology	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Xenon International School of Hair Design II Inc	Not Applicable	No Report	

<sup>1</sup>Data Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), fall 2004 and 2008 surveys.

Note: No Report indicates that the school did not report a retention rate or reported 0%. Not Applicable indicates that the school did not enroll freshmen for that year.