

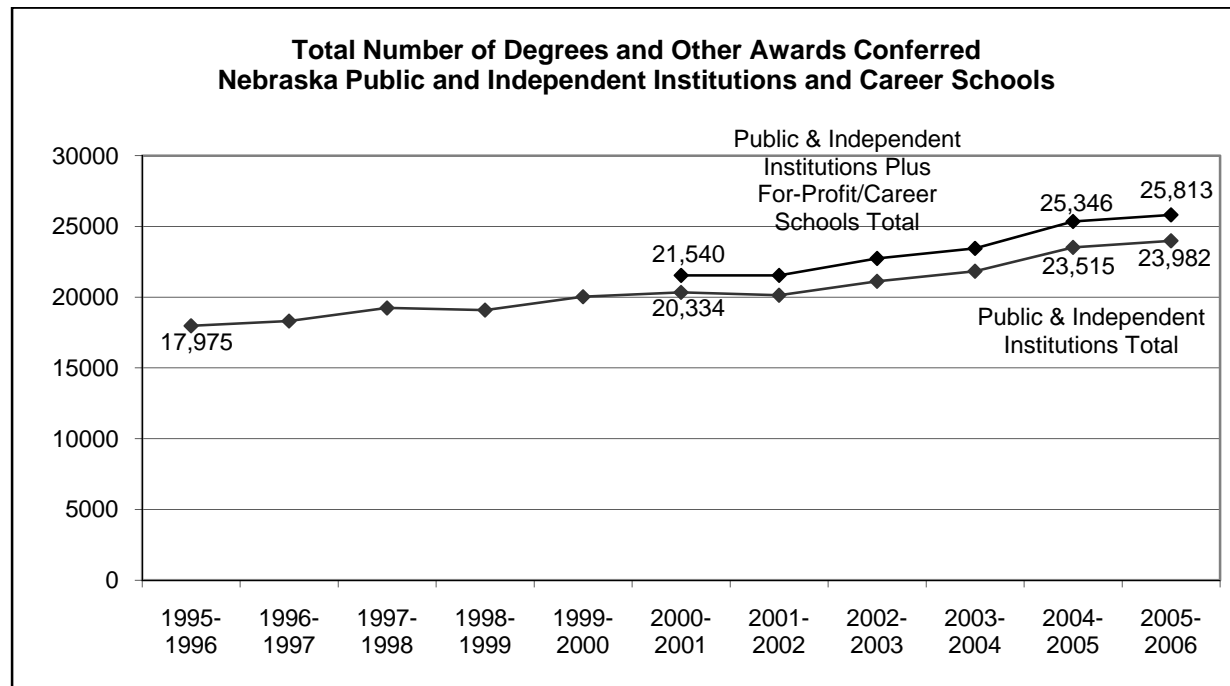
## Section B.1

# Total Degrees and Other Awards by Sector and by Institution

**Note:** Ten-year trends are shown for Nebraska's public and independent colleges and universities. Comparable data for for-profit/ career schools in Nebraska are available only for the most recent six years. A few for-profit/ career schools are not included in this analysis because they are not required to report any school statistics to the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) maintained by the National Center for Education in the U.S. Department of Education.

## **TOTAL DEGREES AND OTHER AWARDS CONFERRED: 1996-2006**

- Nebraska's public and independent colleges and universities conferred a total of 23,982 degrees, diplomas, and certificates during the one-year period from July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006, an increase of 2.0% from one year earlier.
- Over the 10-year period from 1995-96 to 2005-06, the total number of degrees and awards conferred by Nebraska's public and independent institutions increased by 33.4%. The highest one-year increase occurred in 2004-05 when 7.7% more degrees, diplomas, and certificates were awarded than in 2003-04.
- Each year, between 2000-01 and 2005-06, for-profit/career schools<sup>1</sup> in Nebraska conferred 1,206 to 1,831 degrees, diplomas, and certificates, increasing the total number of awards to 21,540 in 2000-01 and 25,813 in 2005-06. Including the for-profit/career schools, the number of degrees, diplomas, and certificates awarded by Nebraska institutions increased by 19.8% from 2000-01 to 2005-06.



<sup>1</sup>Most of the for-profit/career schools in Nebraska are operated for profit. See page B.1.9 for a listing of these schools.

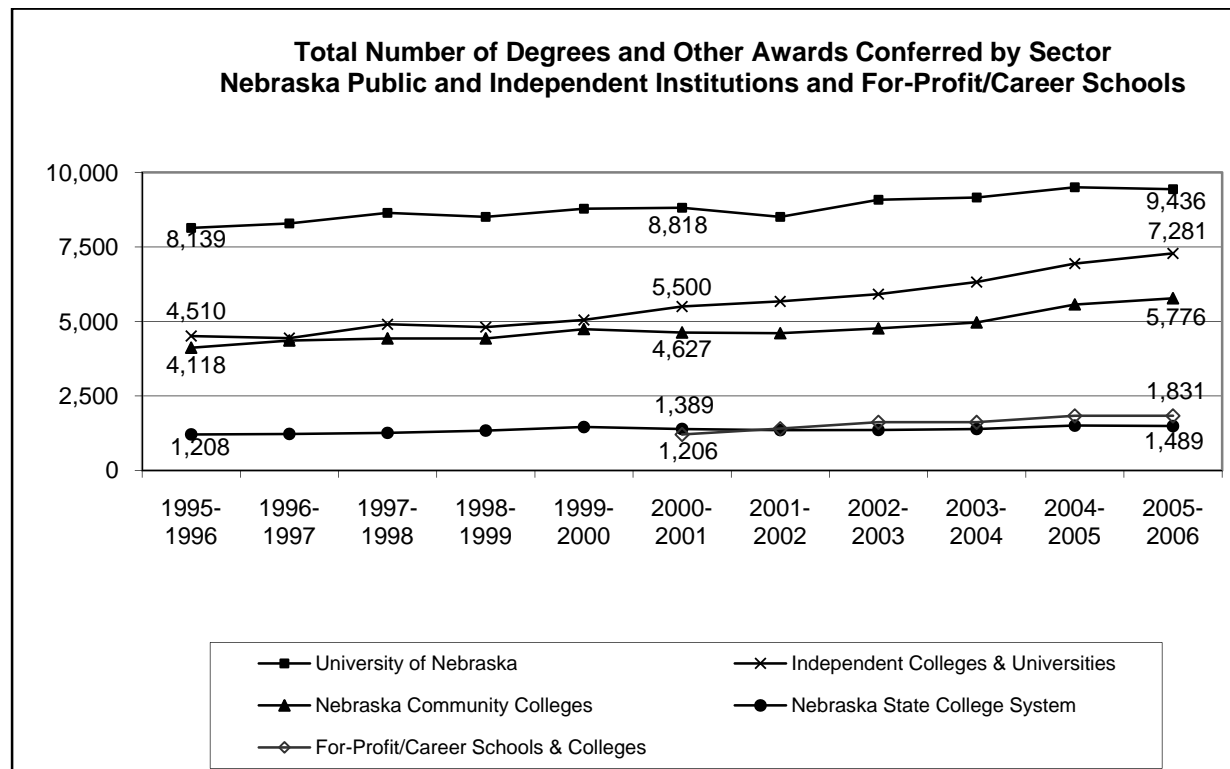
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## **TOTAL DEGREES AND OTHER AWARDS CONFERRED by SECTOR: 1996-2006**

- Between 1995-96 and 2005-06, the number of degrees and other awards conferred by each public and independent sector of higher education in Nebraska increased as follows:

	<u>10-Year Increase</u>	<u>5-Year Increase</u>
University of Nebraska	15.9%	7.0%
Independent colleges and universities	61.4%	32.4%
Nebraska community colleges	40.3%	24.8%
Nebraska State College System	23.3%	7.2%

- Over the 5-year period between 2000-01 and 2005-06, the number of degrees and other awards conferred by for-profit/career schools increased by 51.8%, from 1,206 in 2000-01 to 1,831 in 2005-06.

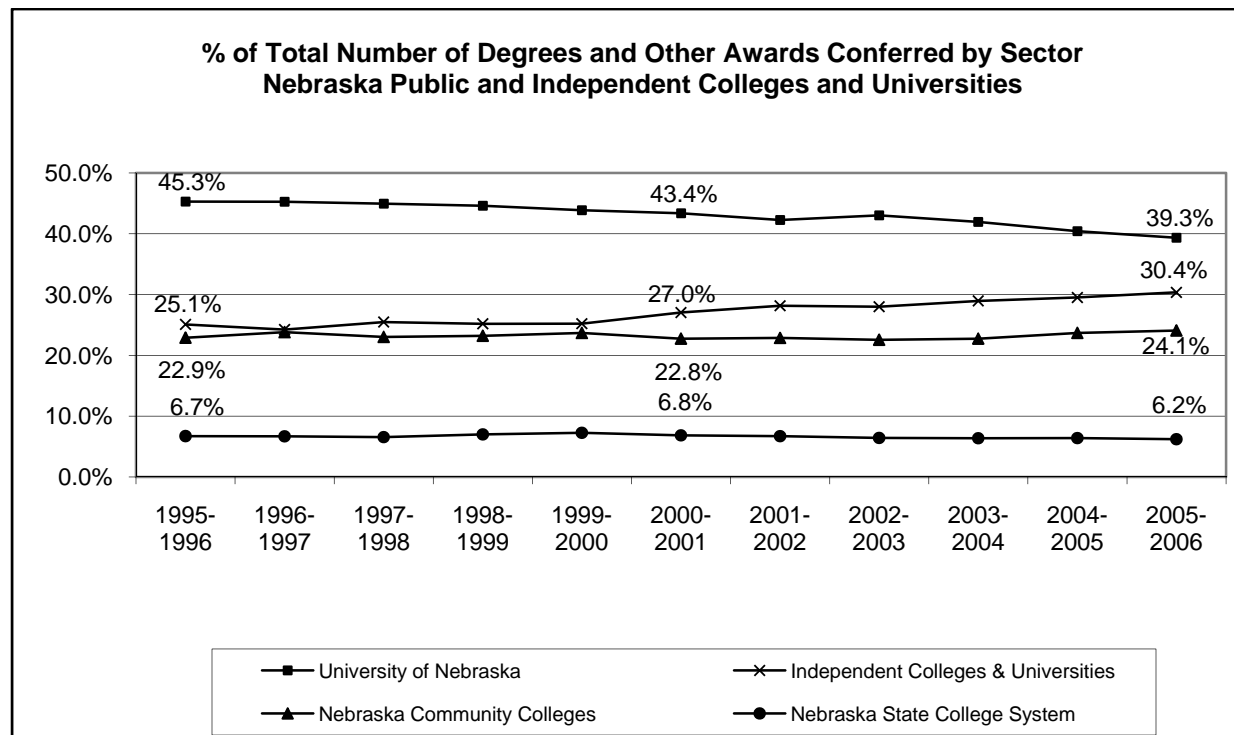


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## Percentage of TOTAL DEGREES AND OTHER AWARDS CONFERRED by SECTOR: 1996-2006

### 10-Year Trends for Public and Independent Colleges and Universities

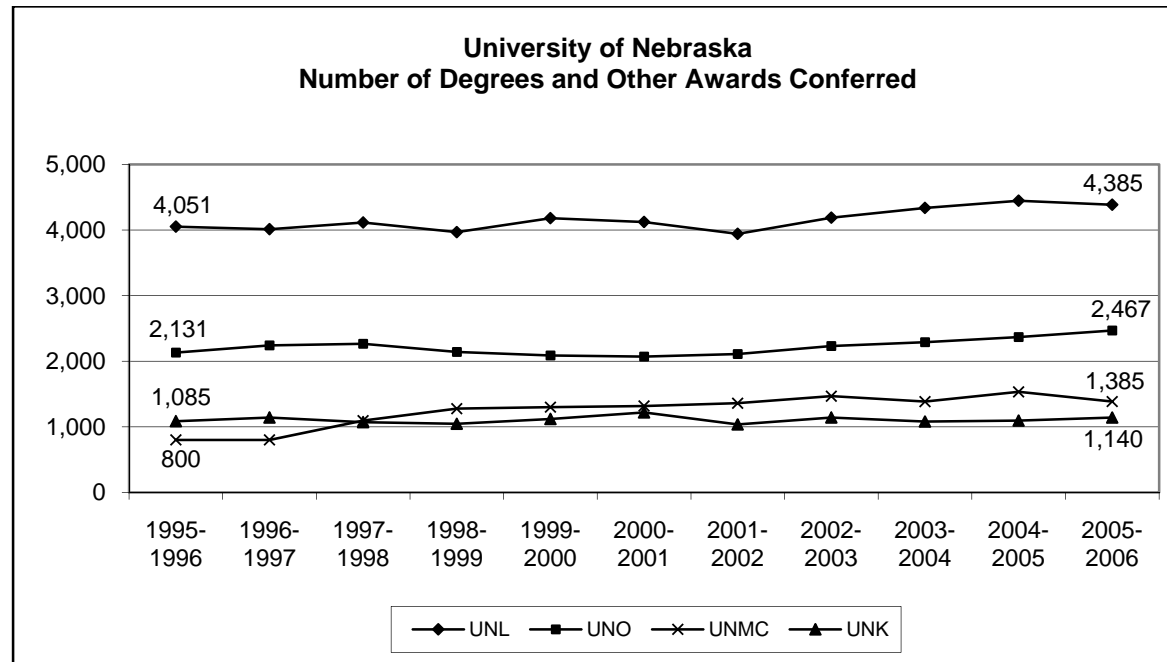
- As a result of the significant increase in the total number of degrees and other awards conferred within the independent sector, the public sectors conferred lower percentages of the total number of degrees, diplomas, and certificates awarded in 2005-06 than in 1995-96.
- Throughout the 10-year period, the University of Nebraska continued to award the highest number and percentage of degrees conferred in the state, but the university's percentage of all degrees conferred in the public and independent sectors decreased from 45.3% to 39.3%. Over the period, the percentage of degrees awarded by the Nebraska State College System decreased slightly, while the percentage conferred by Nebraska community colleges increased by one percent, and the percentage of degrees conferred by independent institutions increased significantly from 25.1% to 30.4%.



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## **TOTAL DEGREES AND OTHER AWARDS CONFERRED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA: 1996-2006**

- Throughout the 10-year period from 1995-96 to 2005-06, the institutions conferring the highest number of degrees in the state were the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) and the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO), which awarded 4,385 and 2,467 degrees, respectively, in 2005-06.
- The institution within the University of Nebraska system that had the highest growth rate in the number of degrees conferred was the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC). Between 1995-96 and 2005-06, the number of degrees awarded by UNMC increased by 73.1% from 800 in 1995-96 to 1,385 in 2005-06. During this 10-year period, the number of degrees conferred by the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO) increased by 15.8%, while the number awarded by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) and the University Nebraska at Kearney (UNK) increased by 8.2% and 5.1%, respectively. (UNK joined the University of Nebraska system on July 1, 1999.)

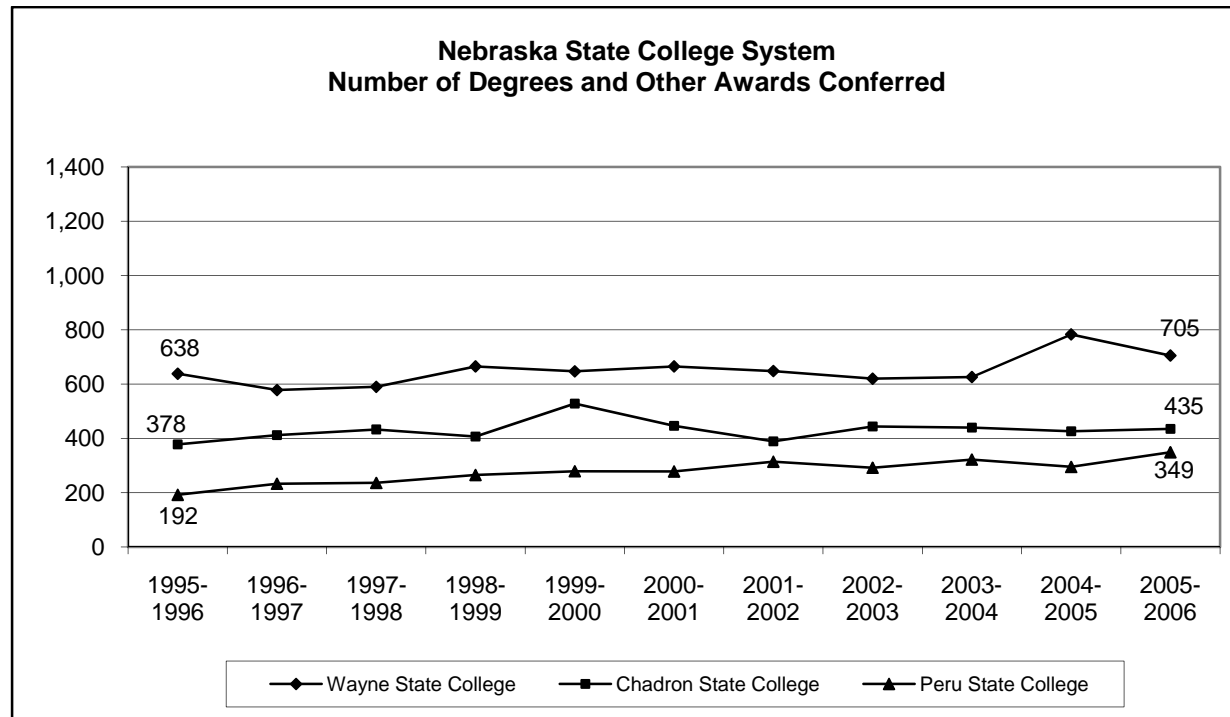


Note: The number of awards conferred by the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture was 72 in 1995-96 and 56 in 2005-06.

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## **TOTAL DEGREES AND OTHER AWARDS CONFERRED BY NEBRASKA STATE COLLEGE SYSTEM: 1996-2006**

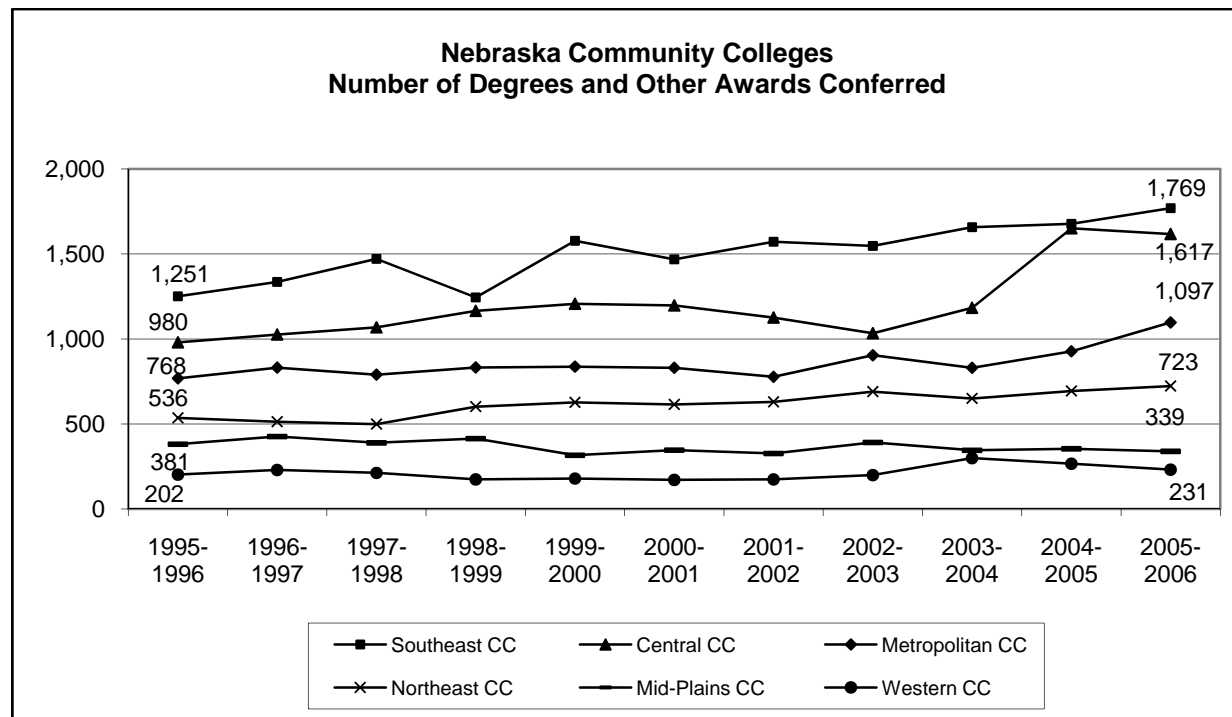
- Wayne State College awarded the highest number of degrees within the Nebraska State College System between 1995-96 and 2005-06, and the college experienced a 10.5% increase in the number of degrees conferred during the 10-year period. The significant increase in the number of degrees awarded by Wayne State College that occurred in 2004-05 was due primarily to offering courses in education at outreach sites, including Blair and South Sioux City, and the subsequent increase in the number of masters degrees awarded to teachers.
- The number of degrees awarded by Chadron State College increased by 15.1% from 1995-96 to 2005-06. The surge in the number of degrees awarded in 1999-2000 was due primarily to a backlog of students graduating that year, rather than a year or two earlier.
- Peru State College had the highest growth rate among the state colleges in terms of the number of degrees awarded. Between 1995-96 and 2005-06, the number of degrees conferred by Peru State College increased from 192 to 349 or by 81.8%.



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## **TOTAL DEGREES AND OTHER AWARDS CONFERRED BY NEBRASKA COMMUNITY COLLEGES: 1996-2006**

- The number of degrees and other awards conferred by each of the Nebraska community colleges increased by at least 14% from 1995-96 to 2005-06, with the exception of the number of awards conferred by Mid-Plains Community College, where the number of conferred awards decreased by 11%.
- Southeast Community College awarded the third highest number of degrees and other awards conferred by postsecondary institutions in Nebraska until 2002-03, when Bellevue University in the independent sector started to award more degrees than Southeast.
- The highest single one-year increase in the number of degrees conferred was evidenced at Central Community College, where the number of degrees and other awards increased by 40% in 2004-05. According to the college, this surge was primarily the result of a follow-up campaign that encouraged students to complete their degree programs and/or apply for awards for which they were qualified. Between 2003-04 and 2005-06, there was a significant two-year increase of 32% in the number of degrees and other awards conferred by Metropolitan Community College



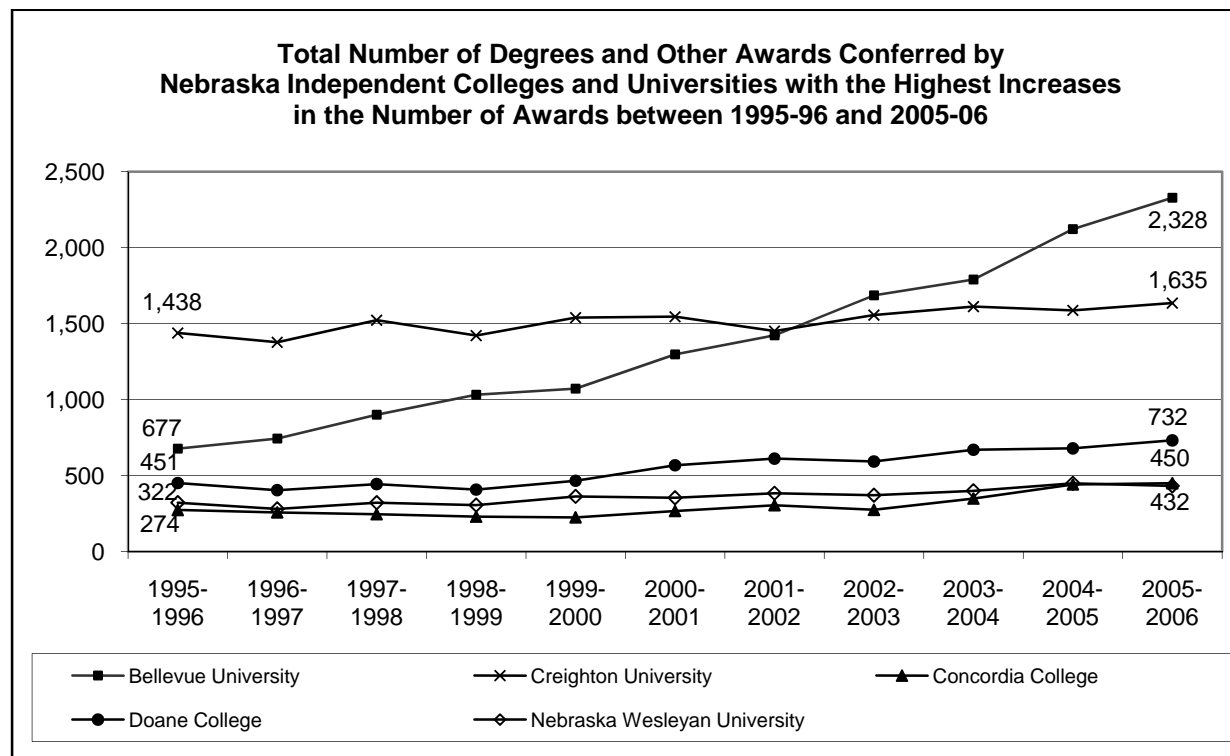
### 10-Year Percentage Increase or Decrease:

Southeast CC	41.4%
Central CC	65.0%
Metropolitan CC	42.8%
Northeast CC	34.9%
Mid-Plains CC	- 11.0%
NE Western CC	14.4%

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## **INDEPENDENT INSTITUTIONS with the Highest Increases in the Number of Degrees Awarded: 1996-2006**

- Institutions in the independent sector conferred 2,771 more degrees and other awards in 2005-06 than in 1995-96, an increase of 61.4% over the ten-year period. (Refer to page B.1.3 for the sector's 10-year trend.)
- Bellevue University alone accounted for almost 60% of the sector increase. In 2005-06, Bellevue University awarded 1,651 more degrees than the institution conferred in 1995-96.
- Four other colleges and universities accounted for another 28% of the increased number of degrees conferred within the independent sector between 1995-96 and 2005-06: Concordia College, Creighton University, Doane College, and Nebraska Wesleyan University.



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## **TOTAL DEGREES AND OTHER AWARDS CONFERRED BY FOR-PROFIT/CAREER SCHOOLS: 2001-2006**

- The following table summarizes the number of total number of degrees, diplomas, and certificates awarded by for-profit/career schools in Nebraska from 2000-01 through 2005-06, the only years for which sufficient data are available.

<b>Number of Degrees, Diplomas, and Certificates Awarded by For-Profit/Career Schools &amp; Colleges in Nebraska<sup>1</sup></b>						
	<b>2000-01</b>	<b>2001-02</b>	<b>2002-03</b>	<b>2003-04</b>	<b>2004-05</b>	<b>2005-06</b>
<b>Degree-Granting For-Profit/Career Schools</b>						
Hamilton College-Lincoln Campus	150	174	171	110	170	208
Hamilton College-Omaha Campus	189	169	201	244	279	359
ITT Technical Institute	104	107	114	119	110	104
Myotherapy Institute				68	58	45
The Creative Center	41	69	70	65	40	45
Vatterott College	131	476	350	172	172	99
Vatterott College-Spring Valley Campus	70	138	133	182	215	183
Universal College of Healing Arts						37
<b>Total Degree-Granting For-Profit/Career Schools</b>	<b>685</b>	<b>1,133</b>	<b>1,039</b>	<b>960</b>	<b>1,044</b>	<b>1,080</b>
<b>Non-Degree-Granting For-Profit/Career Schools</b>						
Alegent Health School of Radiologic Technology	6	9	9	14	13	14
Capitol School of Hairstyling West	64	57	86	99	155	93
College of Hair Design	74	83	100	107	98	92
Fullen School of Hair Design				12	17	14
Josephs College of Beauty-Lincoln	117	146	132	145	183	194
La'James International College	59	11	81	83	73	119
Mary Lanning Memorial Hospital School of Radiologic Technology	0	7	7	6	6	7
Omaha School of Massage Therapy	116	0	53	55	90	85
Regional West Medical Center School of Radiologic Technology	4		4	5	5	5
Xenon International School of Hair Design II Inc	81	95	106	129	147	128
<b>Total Non-Degree-Granting For-Profit/Career Schools</b>	<b>521</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>578</b>	<b>655</b>	<b>787</b>	<b>751</b>
<b>Total For-Profit/Career Schools and Colleges</b>	<b>1,206</b>	<b>1,541</b>	<b>1,617</b>	<b>1,615</b>	<b>1,831</b>	<b>1,831</b>

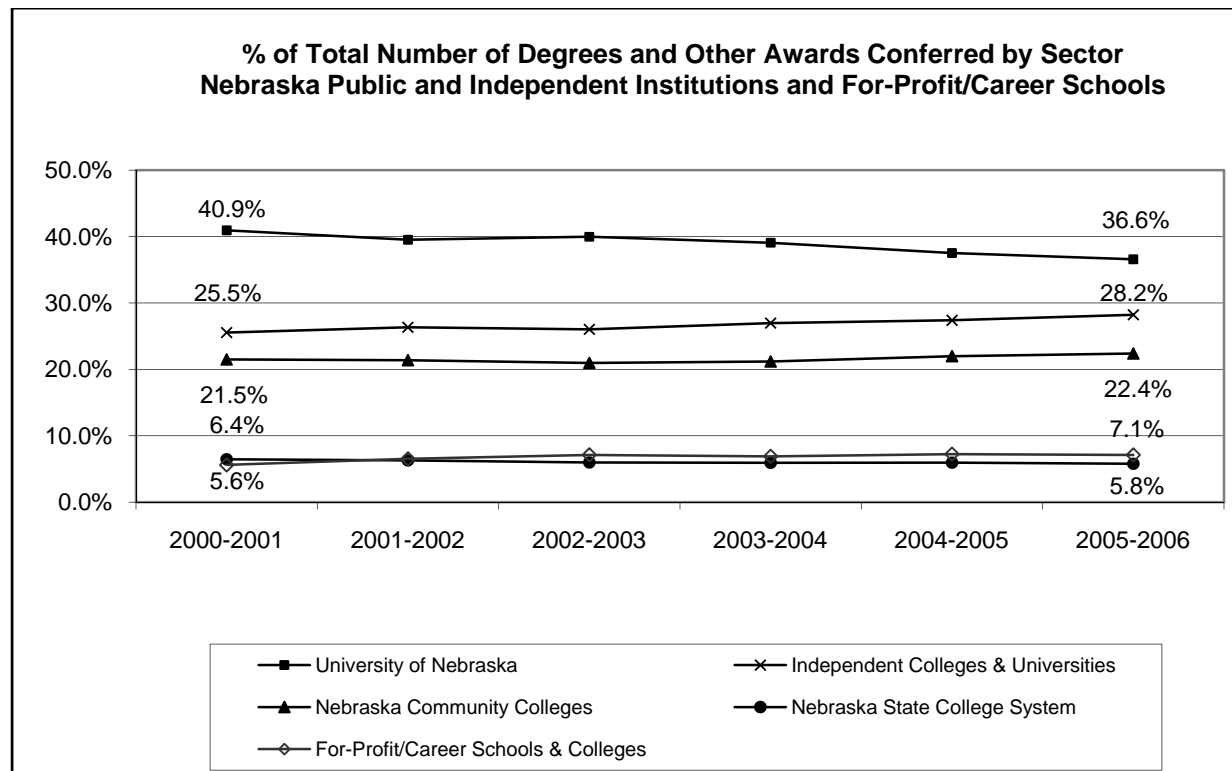
<sup>1</sup>All of the for-profit/career schools in Nebraska are operated for profit except for the three schools of radiologic technology.

Note: The significant increase in the number of degrees and other awards conferred by Vatterott College in 2001-02 and 2002-03 was due primarily to Vatterott offering students from the failed Omaha College of Health Careers opportunities to complete programs at Vattercott College. Detailed data reporting the number of degrees conferred by institution, by sector, by level, by race, and by gender for 1995-96 through 2005-06 are available in the spreadsheet titled **Total Degrees and Awards** in the **downloadable Excel workbook for Section B: Degrees**.

## Percentage of TOTAL DEGREES AND OTHER AWARDS CONFERRED by SECTOR: 2000-2006

### 5-Year Trends for Nebraska Postsecondary Institutions Including For-Profit/Career Schools

- The following chart shows the five-year trends in the percentages of degrees and other awards conferred by Nebraska's postsecondary institutions when for-profit/career schools are included in an analysis by sector.<sup>1</sup>
- Between 2000-01 and 2005-06, the University of Nebraska and the Nebraska State College System accounted for slightly decreasing percentages of all of the degrees conferred in the state, while the state's independent institutions, community colleges, and for-profit/career schools and colleges accounted for increasing percentages of the awards conferred.



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