

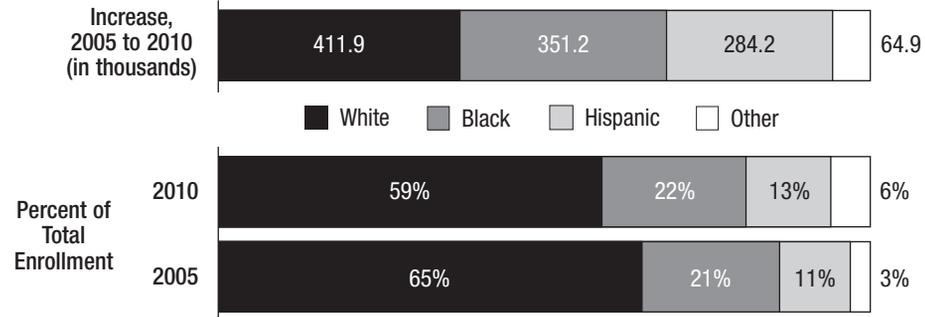


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REPORTING SIGNIFICANT TRENDS AFFECTING EDUCATION PROGRESS IN THE SREB STATES

College Enrollment in SREB States



Source: National Center for Education Statistics.

Minority Enrollment Gains Show Region's Progress Toward College Completion Goals

Nationwide, from 2005 to 2010, 1.6 minority (non-white) students enrolled in college for every additional white student who enrolled. In the SREB region that meant 700,312 more minority college students and 411,915 more white college students. Increases in minority student enrollment accounted for almost two-thirds of the total growth in college enrollment over the period.

These enrollment gains are encouraging progress toward meeting all U.S. regions' college completion goals, which many experts believe are necessary to meet the demands of the work force and international competitiveness.

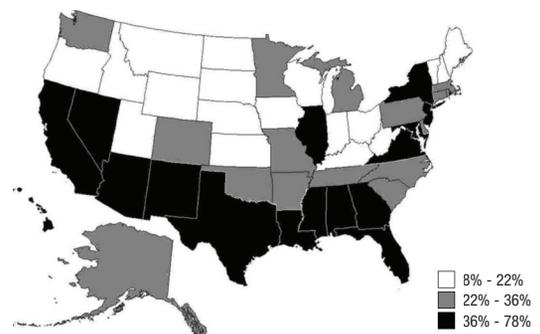
In 2010, the proportion of working-age adults with associate's or higher degrees in the SREB region was 40 percent for white adults, 26 percent for black adults and 21 percent for Hispanic adults. The SREB and national goals call for 60 percent of working-age adults to have a degree or career certificate in the years ahead.

In 2011, for the first time in the nation's history, more than half of all babies were born to minority group families. Already in 2009,

minority students were more than 50 percent of public pre-K-12 enrollment in the SREB region (compared with 46 percent nationally and 58 percent in the West). White public high school graduates are projected to fall below 50 percent of the regional total in 2017.

Clearly, maintaining the historical progress in college completion hinges on growing the college completion numbers of minority students. And, demographers and education leaders will have to find new ways to talk about these trends as minority students and graduates become the statistical majority.

Minority College Enrollment, 2010



Source: National Center for Education Statistics.

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Enrollment Changes By Racial/Ethnic Group¹

(Updates Table 23, *SREB Fact Book on Higher Education, 2011*)

	Percent Change, 2005 to 2010				Number Change, 2005 to 2010			
	White	Black	Hispanic	Other ²	White	Black	Hispanic	Other ²
50 states and D.C.	9.1	31.8	43.9	12.6	974,805	659,689	765,914	151,929
SREB states as a percent of U.S.	12.1	32.6	51.5	27.4	411,915 42.3	351,202 53.2	284,232 37.1	64,878 42.7
Alabama	18.0	28.4	90.5	38.5	29,348	20,636	3,300	2,070
Arkansas	15.2	26.8	111.8	25.2	16,115	6,954	3,213	903
Delaware	-2.2	15.9	57.0	35.1	-711	1,435	941	537
Florida	14.3	41.1	50.2	27.9	67,174	60,485	76,465	8,856
Georgia	11.7	44.4	105.7	41.7	29,313	56,073	10,739	6,876
Kentucky	16.9	44.8	99.7	27.7	33,779	8,857	2,640	983
Louisiana ³	22.8	33.7	125.9	54.0	27,248	19,677	4,372	2,558
Maryland	9.0	26.4	79.9	23.1	15,314	21,433	9,087	4,697
Mississippi	11.2	19.7	84.9	37.2	9,514	11,399	996	693
North Carolina	9.0	20.7	93.1	17.8	28,661	23,604	10,947	3,099
Oklahoma	-0.8	17.7	41.3	7.5	-1,142	3,335	2,981	1,937
South Carolina	16.6	23.3	95.5	24.7	22,441	13,120	3,100	983
Tennessee	16.5	27.4	83.0	28.8	33,716	14,790	4,119	1,813
Texas	5.8	33.9	41.8	29.6	36,526	50,627	133,301	19,977
Virginia	11.1	37.3	84.5	28.8	31,898	30,664	13,272	7,252
West Virginia	38.1	160.6	445.6	111.7	32,721	8,113	4,759	1,644
West as a percent of U.S.	7.3	37.8	39.2	4.3	163,624 16.8	95,868 14.5	307,265 40.1	26,338 17.3
Alaska	-1.2	0.1	80.2	-3.4	-251	1	815	-177
Arizona	24.0	125.2	44.7	21.2	72,021	49,742	33,968	7,135
California	-0.9	11.8	35.5	2.3	-8,346	19,537	202,065	9,547
Colorado	9.0	99.7	42.9	12.9	19,082	13,952	13,353	1,905
Hawaii	-10.7	10.8	191.4	-19.6	-1,864	161	3,814	-7,757
Idaho	5.2	48.3	54.9	26.0	3,348	293	1,849	601
Montana	12.3	54.4	95.3	5.0	4,618	141	705	246
Nevada	6.6	34.0	75.5	22.7	4,101	2,550	10,220	2,715
New Mexico	12.2	38.1	31.3	25.3	6,336	1,341	15,505	3,312
Oregon	14.9	49.9	73.6	20.9	21,716	2,066	7,248	2,975
Utah	19.7	142.2	75.0	28.2	31,477	2,967	6,605	2,164
Washington	4.6	22.1	60.3	10.2	10,563	2,912	10,441	3,512
Wyoming	2.7	63.5	43.0	17.8	823	205	677	160
Midwest as a percent of U.S.	9.4	41.1	40.4	13.6	286,770 29.4	161,781 24.5	70,595 9.2	22,326 14.7
Illinois	-1.0	16.7	19.3	4.5	-5,266	18,828	17,755	2,181
Indiana	15.6	56.4	72.9	29.7	45,015	16,470	7,305	2,548
Iowa	26.9	340.2	164.2	51.9	46,049	25,614	8,309	2,766
Kansas	4.2	41.7	57.7	-17.9	6,143	4,387	4,685	-1,778
Michigan	4.4	16.7	22.9	5.0	19,587	12,713	3,764	1,232
Minnesota	18.7	161.8	131.7	24.4	49,637	33,347	8,788	4,386
Missouri	9.3	30.1	38.7	20.4	26,083	13,184	3,931	2,278
Nebraska	11.6	59.5	72.9	29.4	11,746	2,959	2,971	1,074
North Dakota	5.0	82.7	64.6	10.5	2,142	564	316	378
Ohio	13.2	39.1	54.5	19.5	62,063	27,579	6,402	2,855
South Dakota	15.7	100.7	124.9	53.3	6,286	602	596	1,955
Wisconsin	6.2	33.8	62.2	18.8	17,285	5,534	5,773	2,451
Northeast as a percent of U.S.	6.2	19.9	45.3	20.8	118,949 12.2	62,517 9.5	103,576 13.5	38,978 25.7
Connecticut	-2.2	17.1	45.2	6.7	-2,585	2,918	5,954	519
Maine	1.4	55.6	72.4	7.7	788	538	498	144
Massachusetts	9.5	27.3	59.1	18.0	25,843	8,114	13,903	5,208
New Hampshire	-0.1	26.0	46.8	12.8	-55	294	662	235
New Jersey	6.6	20.6	48.0	16.2	13,728	10,010	21,857	4,909
New York	5.9	14.7	35.0	26.3	36,548	21,470	41,824	22,089
Pennsylvania	8.7	28.1	85.0	18.0	44,364	18,428	16,414	5,179
Rhode Island	-5.2	11.5	42.1	15.0	-2,890	486	1,913	492
Vermont	9.5	39.6	72.5	19.5	3,208	259	551	203
District of Columbia ⁴	-15.0	-35.7	5.7	-9.6	-6,453	-11,679	246	-591

¹ Figures represent enrollments in all degree-granting institutions eligible for federal Title IV student financial aid in the 50 states and the District of Columbia, excluding service schools. Beginning with the 2008 data, institutions had the option of reporting new sub-categories of students, including "two or more races." Students reported in this new category were formerly reported in one of the non-Hispanic categories. As of 2010, 1.3 percent of the nation's and SREB region's, 2.6 percent of the West's, 1.4 percent of the Midwest's and 1.2 percent of the East's enrollment was in this new category. Hawaii was the highest, with almost 22 percent. Three other states, Alaska, Oklahoma and Washington, were above 3 percent.

² Excludes people whose race is unknown and students from foreign countries.

³ Figures reflect the effects of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

⁴ In prior years, Strayer University reported all their campuses nationwide in the figures for the District of Columbia campus. Now, District of Columbia figures represent only the District of Columbia campus.

Source: SREB analysis of National Center for Education Statistics fall enrollment surveys — (www.nces.ed.gov/ipeds).

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