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Overview

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Welcome to the IPEDS Outcome Measures (OM) survey component. The OM component collects award and enrollment data from degree-granting institutions on four undergraduate cohorts and eight undergraduate subcohorts at three status points: four-years, six-years, and eight-years after entry.

The four cohorts of degree/certificate-seeking undergraduates are:

- First-time, full-time entering (FTFT)
- First-time, part-time entering (FTPT)
- Non-first-time, full-time entering (NFTFT)
- Non-first-time, part-time entering (NFTPT)

For each cohort, two subcohort groups have been added to the OM component - Pell Grant recipients and Non-Pell Grant recipients - resulting in eight undergraduate subcohorts.

Data Reporting Reminders:

- Report data to accurately reflect the time period corresponding with the IPEDS survey component, even if such reporting is seemingly inconsistent with prior-year reporting. For example, if a summer term began later than usual due to Coronavirus Pandemic postponements, continue to report using the timeframes as defined in the IPEDS instructions. NCES expects that some data reported during the 2020-21 data collection year will vary from established prior trends due to the impacts of Coronavirus Pandemic. If an error edit is triggered even when submitting accurate data, please indicate in the corresponding context box or verbally to the Help Desk that the seemingly inconsistent data are accurate and reflect the effects of Coronavirus Pandemic.
- All institutions must report on a **FULL-YEAR** cohort. The OM cohort year is 2012-13. The full-year cohort coverage period is July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013.
- Institutions will establish their OM cohorts based on their subcohorts of entering Pell Grant recipients and Non-Pell Grant recipients. Institutions should first identify their entering degree/certificate-seeking undergraduates during the cohort coverage period of July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013, and place each student in the appropriate subcohort. Each student should be reported only once.
- All institutions are required to report transfer-out student data.
- For each status point, institutions will report the highest type of award conferred to a student for each subcohort. The three award categories are certificates, Associate's degree, and Bachelor's degree.
- Institutions should report exclusions for the entire eight year period only on the "Establishing Cohorts" screen. Additional exclusions cannot be reported on the status point screens (i.e., four-years, six-years, or eight-years after entry).
- IPEDS will ask for an estimated time it took to complete the OM component. Include in that estimate the time to review instructions, research data sources (i.e., coordinate with IT and Student Aid offices), complete and review the component, and submit the data.

Changes to reporting for 2020-21:

There are no changes to this survey component.

Important Dates to Remember:All reporting institutions will report on degree/certificate-seeking undergraduates who entered the 2012-13 cohort year: (**July 1, 2012-June 30, 2013**).

- Four-year status point was as of **August 31, 2016**
- Six-year status point was as of **August 31, 2018**
- Eight-year status point was as of **August 31, 2020**

Reporting Tips

Carefully read each [OM FAQ](#) before reporting your institution's data. There are FAQs regarding the major updates to OM 2017-18 collection, such as academic reporters now reporting on a full-year cohort, summer sessions starting prior July 1, reporting awards at different status points, and Pell Grant and Non-Pell Grant recipient subcohorts.

Resources:

- To download the survey materials for this component: [Survey Materials](#)

If you have questions about completing this survey, please contact the IPEDS Help Desk at (877) 225-2568.

Establishing Cohorts

2012-13 Entering Undergraduate Cohort

July 1, 2012-June 30, 2013: Full Year

- Begin by identifying your entering degree/certificate-seeking undergraduates for the full year of July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013.
- Then report each student under one of the eight subcohorts (Pell or Non-Pell Grant recipients FTFT, FTPT, NFTFT, NFTPT).
- Each entering student should be reported only once.
- The four cohorts and total entering students will be calculated based on your subcohort reporting.

NOTE: Once a student is in the cohort, the student remains in the cohort, even if the student's attendance status changes (i.e., full-time to part-time, or vice versa) or if the student drops out, transfers out, or transfers back into the institution during the eight-year period. However, institutions can make adjustments to the cohort for allowable exclusions, which include the death of a student, permanent disability, military deployment, or service on an official church mission or with a foreign aid service of the Federal government. Exclusions are for the ENTIRE eight years for the entering 2012-13 cohort.

<u>Degree/Certificate-Seeking Undergraduate Students</u>	<u>2012-13 cohort</u>	<u>Exclusions to 2012-13 cohort</u>	<u>Adjusted 2012-13 cohort</u>	<u>Prior year Adjusted cohort</u>
<u>First-time entering</u>				
<u>Full-time</u>				
Pell Grant recipients	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Non-Pell Grant recipients	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
<u>Part-time</u>				
Pell Grant recipients	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Non-Pell Grant recipients	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
<u>Non-First-time entering</u>				
<u>Full-time</u>				
Pell Grant recipients	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Non-Pell Grant recipients	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
<u>Part-time</u>				
Pell Grant recipients	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Non-Pell Grant recipients	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
<u>Total Entering</u>				
Pell Grant recipients				
Non-Pell Grant recipients				

Award Status at Four Years

Award Status at Four Years After Entry 2012-13 Entering Undergraduate Cohort

(July 1, 2012-June 30, 2013: Full Year)

Directions: From the adjusted 2012-13 cohort, report the number of students who earned an award at four years after entry for each subcohort. Report the highest award earned for each degree/certificate-seeking student for the four-year status point (August 31, 2016) even if a student earns multiple awards.

<u>Undergraduate Students</u>	Adjusted 2012-13 cohort	Number of students conferred an award by your institution (Highest Award by August 31, 2016)			Total number of adjusted cohort that received an award from your institution	Percent of adjusted cohort that received an award from your institution
		<u>Certificates</u>	<u>Associate's</u>	<u>Bachelor's</u>		
First-time entering						
Full-time						
Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Non-Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Part-time						
Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Non-Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Non-First-time entering						
Full-time						
Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Non-Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Part-time						
Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Non-Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Total Entering						
Pell Grant recipients						
Non-Pell Grant recipients						

Award Status at Six Years

Award Status at Six Years After Entry 2012-13 Entering Undergraduate Cohort

(July 1, 2012-June 30, 2013: Full Year)

Directions: From the adjusted 2012-13 cohort, report the number of students who earned an award at six years after entry for each subcohort. Report the highest award earned for each degree/certificate-seeking student for the six-year status point (August 31, 2018) even if a student earns multiple awards.

<u>Undergraduate Students</u>	Adjusted 2012-13 cohort	Number of students conferred an award by your institution (Highest Award through August 31, 2018)			Total number of adjusted cohort that received an award from your institution	Percent of adjusted cohort that received an award from your institution
		<u>Certificates</u>	<u>Associate's</u>	<u>Bachelor's</u>		
<u>First-time entering</u>						
Full-time						
Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Non-Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Part-time						
Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Non-Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
<u>Non-First-time entering</u>						
Full-time						
Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Non-Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Part-time						
Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Non-Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
<u>Total Entering</u>						
Pell Grant recipients						
Non-Pell Grant recipients						


Award and Enrollment Status at Eight Years

Award and Enrollment Status at Eight Years After Entry: 2012-13 Entering Undergraduate Cohort

(July 1, 2012-June 30, 2013: Full Year)

- From the adjusted 2012-13 cohort, report the number of students who earned an award at eight years after entry for each subcohort.
- Report the highest award earned for each degree/certificate-seeking student for the eight-year status point (August 31, 2020) even if a student earns multiple awards.
- For students who did not receive an award from your institution, first report the number of students who are still enrolled at your institution, and then report the number of students who had enrolled at another institution over the eight-year period.

Undergraduate Students	Adjusted 2012-13 cohort	Award Status at Eight Years After Entry					Enrollment Status at Eight Years After Entry				
		Number of students conferred an award by your institution (From Entry through August 31, 2020)			Total number of adjusted cohort that received an award from your institution	Percent of adjusted cohort that received an award from your institution	Prior Year Total number of adjusted cohort that received an award from your institution	Number of students who did not receive an award from your institution (From entry through August 31, 2020)			Percent of adjusted cohort that did not receive an award, but are still enrolled at your institution or enrolled at another institution after leaving your institution
		Certificates	Associate's	Bachelor's				Number still enrolled at your institution	Number who enrolled at another institution after leaving your institution	Number of students whose subsequent enrollment status is unknown	
First-time entering											
Full-time											
Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Non-Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Part-time											
Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Non-Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Non-First-time entering											
Full-time											
Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Non-Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Part-time											
Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Non-Pell Grant recipients		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Total Entering											
Pell Grant recipients											
Non-Pell Grant recipients											

 You may use the box below to provide additional context for the data you have reported above. Context notes will be posted on the College Navigator website. Therefore, you should write all context notes using proper grammar (e.g., complete sentences with punctuation) and common language that can be easily understood by students and parents (e.g., spell out acronyms).

Prepared by

Prepared by

Reporting Reminders:

- The name of the preparer is being collected so that we can follow up with the appropriate person in the event that there are questions concerning the data.
- The Keyholder will be copied on all email correspondence to other preparers.
- The time it took to prepare this component is being collected so that we can continue to improve our estimate of the reporting burden associated with IPEDS.
- Please include in your estimate the time it took for you to review instructions, query and search data sources, complete and review the component, and submit the data through the Data Collection System.
- Thank you for your assistance.

This survey component was prepared by:		
<input type="radio"/> Keyholder	<input type="radio"/> SFA Contact	<input type="radio"/> HR Contact
<input type="radio"/> Finance Contact	<input type="radio"/> Academic Library Contact	<input type="radio"/> Other
Name:	<input type="text"/>	
Email:	<input type="text"/>	

How many staff from your institution only were involved in the data collection and reporting process of this survey component?
<input type="text"/> Number of Staff (including yourself)

How many hours did you and others from your institution only spend on each of the steps below when responding to this survey component? <i>Exclude the hours spent collecting data for state and other reporting purposes.</i>				
Staff member	Collecting Data Needed	Revising Data to Match IPEDS Requirements	Entering Data	Revising and Locking Data
Your office	<input type="text"/> hours	<input type="text"/> hours	<input type="text"/> hours	<input type="text"/> hours
Other offices	<input type="text"/> hours	<input type="text"/> hours	<input type="text"/> hours	<input type="text"/> hours

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Purpose of Survey

The purpose of the IPEDS Outcome Measures (OM) survey component is to provide the award and enrollment statuses of four degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate student cohorts and eight subcohorts at degree-granting institutions. Student completion awarded by the reporting institution are collected at the four-years, six-years, and eight-years status points after they entered the reporting institution. The enrollment status of students who did not earn an award is also collected at the eight-years status point.

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Changes in reporting

There are no changes to this survey component.

As a reminder, when reporting the Outcome Measures component, all degree-granting institutions will report on:

1. full-year cohorts (e.g., July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013),
2. the Pell Grant and Non-Pell Grant recipients subcohorts for each of the four OM cohorts. First-time, full-time (FTFT); First-time, part-time (FTPT); Non-First-Time, Full-time(NFTFT), and Non-First-Time, Part-time (NFTPT),
3. three status points (four-years, six-years, and eight-years),
4. the highest undergraduate award (i.e., certificate award, Associate's degree or Bachelor's degree) for each status point, and
5. all students who transferred out.

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General Instructions

Reporting Period Covered

This OM component requests data on four cohorts of entering degree/certificate-seeking undergraduates enrolled in your institution during the cohort coverage period between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013. To report data on the four cohorts, institutions will report on eight subcohorts of undergraduates who either received a Pell Grant or did not during the OM coverage cohort period. Institutions are to report the award status of these students as of August 31, 2016 (Four-Years Status) and August 31, 2018 (Six-Years Status), and the award and enrollment status of these students as of August 31, 2020 (Eight-Years Status).

Context Boxes

Context boxes are provided to allow institutions to provide more information regarding survey component items. Note that some context boxes are posted on the [College Navigator Website](#), which is the college search tool offered by NCES. NCES will review entries in these context boxes for applicability and appropriateness before posting them on the [College Navigator Website](#); institutions should check grammar and spelling of their entries.

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Coverage

The Outcome Measures component collects data from degree-granting institutions on the following degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate student cohorts and subcohorts:

- First-time, full-time entering students (FTFT)
 - Pell Grant recipients
 - Non-Pell Grant recipients
- First-time, part-time entering students (FTPT)
 - Pell Grant recipients
 - Non-Pell Grant recipients
- Non-first-time, full-time entering students (NFTFT)
 - Pell Grant recipients
 - Non-Pell Grant recipients
- Non-first-time, part-time entering students (NFTPT)
 - Pell Grant recipients
 - Non-Pell Grant recipients

Each of the four cohorts will be calculated from the reported Pell Grant and Non-Pell Grant recipient subcohorts.

Who to Include in the Cohorts

All degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate students entering the institution (during the 12-month period as described in the "Reporting Period Covered" section above) should be reported in one of the subcohorts. All institutions will report using a **full-year cohort**, which counts all students who entered the institution between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013 (i.e., the coverage cohort year). For academic reporting institutions, report students who were enrolled through the term's Census Date for enrollment purposes. For program/hybrid reporting institutions, report students who were enrolled for at least 15 days in a program of up to, and including, one year in length, or 30 days in a program of greater than one year in length.

Students must be enrolled in courses creditable toward a degree, diploma, certificate, or other recognized postsecondary credential. Include students enrolled in courses that are part of a vocational or occupational program, INCLUDING those enrolled in off-campus centers and those enrolled in distance learning/home study programs.

Be sure to include students taking remedial courses if the student is considered degree-seeking for the purpose of student financial aid determination.

A student who is designated as a member of a cohort remains in that cohort, even if the student:

- Started as either a full-time or part-time student and later changes enrollment intensity.
- Transfers to another institution.
- Drops out of the institution.
- Stops out of the institution.
- Has not fulfilled the institution's requirements to receive a degree or certificate.
- Went on a study abroad program the first year upon entering the institution.

Who to Exclude from the Cohort

DO NOT include students in the cohort who are:

- Enrolled exclusively in courses not creditable toward a recognized postsecondary credential or the completion of a vocational program.
- Exclusively taking Continuing Education Units (CEUs).
- Exclusively auditing classes.
- Foreign students who are only taking coursework at a host institution (e.g., an American institution overseas), if these students are not enrolled at a U.S. institution.
- Students in Experimental Pell Programs

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Web Tutorials

You can consult the [IPEDS Website's Trainings & Outreach](#) page which contains several tutorials on IPEDS data collection, a self-paced overview of IPEDS tools, and other valuable resources.

IPEDS Resource Page

The [IPEDS Website's Reporting Tools](#) page contains frequently asked questions, a link to data tip sheets, tutorials, taxonomies, information centers (e.g., academic libraries, average net price, human resources, race/ethnicity, etc.), and other valuable information.

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Where the Reported Data Will Appear

Data collected through IPEDS will be accessible at the institution and aggregate levels.

At the institution-level, data will appear in the:

- [College Navigator Website](#)
- [IPEDS Use the Data portal](#)

- [IPEDS Data Feedback Reports](#)
- [College Affordability and Transparency Center Website](#)

At the aggregate-level, data will appear in:

- [IPEDS Data Explorer](#)
- [IPEDS Data Feedback Reports](#)
- [The Digest of Education Statistics](#)
- [The Condition of Education](#)

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Reporting Instructions

A. Establishing Cohorts

OM has four cohorts: FTFT, FTPT, NFTFT, and NFTPT. OM also has eight subcohorts based on a student's Pell Grant recipient status. Students are reported only once in one of the subcohorts.

1. Report on a Full Year Cohort

1. Regardless of reporting type (i.e., academic, program, or hybrid), all institutions will report to OM using a **full-year cohort** of students. Do not use a fall cohort. Entering students are identified as those students who entered the institution between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013 - the coverage cohort year.
2. Determine if a student enters the OM cohort year based on official enrollment procedures. For academic reporters, include undergraduate students who were enrolled in your institution's official census date for their entering term (i.e., semester or quarter). For program/hybrid reporters, report students who were enrolled for at least 15 days in a program of up to, and including, one year in length, or 30 days in a program of greater than one year in length.

2. Determining Attendance Level

1. The cohort attendance level of students is determined on the first full term (i.e., semester or quarter) at entry. For example, if a transfer-in student entered an institution in the Spring term of the coverage cohort year as part-time, this student should be in OM's part-time, non-first-time cohort.
2. Degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate students who take a summer session preceding the start of OM coverage cohort year (July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013) should be reported in the full year 2012-13 cohort. The cohort attendance level of a summer session student is determined by that student's immediate full-term enrollment. For example, a first-time student takes a summer session that starts May 31, 2012 and enrolls the following fall term as a full-time student. This student should be in OM's full-time, first-time cohort.

3. Pell Grant and Non-Pell Grant Recipient Subcohorts

1. Each OM cohort (FTFT, FTPT, NFTFT, and NFTPT) has two subcohorts of Pell Grant and Non-Pell Grant recipients. For each subcohort, report the number of students that received a Pell Grant and those that did not receive a Pell Grant (i.e., Non-Pell Grant recipients).
2. Students with disbursed Pell Grants during the OM coverage cohort year of July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013 are reported in a Pell Grant subcohort.
3. Students who did not receive a disbursed Pell Grant during the cohort coverage period, but received a Pell Grant after the coverage cohort year (i.e., July 1, 2013 to August 31, 2020) are excluded from a Pell Grant subcohort. Report these students in a Non-Pell Grant subcohort.
4. Students, who were awarded but not disbursed a Pell Grant during the coverage cohort year, should be excluded from a Pell Grant subcohort, and reported in a Non-Pell Grant subcohort.
5. Students, who receive any other forms of student aid, but no Pell Grant during the coverage cohort year, should be reported in the Non-Pell Grant subcohort.

4. Exclusions to the 2012-13 Cohort (from entry through August 31, 2020)

Institutions may choose to exclude students who left your institution after the point of entry through August 31, 2020 for one of the following allowable reasons:

1. The student is deceased or is permanently disabled and thus unable to return to school.
2. The student left school to serve in the armed forces or was called to active duty. (DO NOT include students already in the military who transfer to another duty station.)
3. The student left school to serve with a foreign aid service of the Federal Government, such as the Peace Corps.
4. The student left school to serve on an official church mission.

NOTE: Students who leave the institution for one of the reasons noted in 2, 3, or 4 above, but return before the status date of August 31, 2020, may be subtracted from the cohort. Review FAQ #12 for more information on OM exclusions.

5. Adjusted 2012-13 Cohort

For each cohort and subcohort, the adjusted cohort is calculated by subtracting the "Exclusions to 2012-13 cohort" from the "2012-13 cohort".

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B. Award Status at Four Years

For each subcohort of degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate students, report the number of students that received an award by four years after entering your institution.

All students entering in the 2012-13 full-year cohort should be reported in one of the eight subcohorts. **Report each student only once.**

The **adjusted 2012-13 Cohort** has been brought forward to this screen from the "Establishing Cohorts" screen. The adjusted cohort is calculated by subtracting the eight-year exclusions from the 2012-13 cohort.

Number of students conferred an award by your institution (highest award through August 31, 2016): From the adjusted 2012-13 cohort, report the number of degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate students who earned an award (i.e., certificates, associate's or bachelor's) by four years after entry for each subcohort. If a student earned multiple awards, count the student once and report the **highest** award conferred to the student by the status point (August 31, 2016).

Include non-degree awards in the "certificates" column. Report the highest award conferred by your institution at the four-year status point even if the students are still enrolled at your institution or have transferred to another institution. DO NOT include graduate awards conferred to undergraduate students.

Total number of adjusted cohort that received an award from your institution: This column will calculate total number of highest awards conferred by your institution by the four-year status point (August 31, 2016).

Percent of adjusted cohort that received an award from your institution by August 31, 2016: This column will calculate the proportion of entering students who received an award from your institution for each adjusted subcohort. This four-year award rate is derived from the *Total number of adjusted cohort that received an award from your institution* divided by *Adjusted 2012-13 Cohort*.

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C. Award Status at Six Years

For each subcohort of degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate students, report the number of students that received an award by six years after entering your institution.

All students entering in the 2012-13 full-year cohort should be reported in one of the eight subcohorts. **Report each student only once.**

The **adjusted 2012-13 Cohort** has been brought forward to this screen from the "Establishing Cohorts" screen. The adjusted cohort is calculated by subtracting the eight-year exclusions from the 2012-13 cohort.

Number of students conferred an award by your institution (highest award through August 31, 2018): From the adjusted 2012-13 cohort, report the number of degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate students who earned an award (i.e., certificates, associate's or bachelor's) by six years after entry for each subcohort. If a student earned multiple awards, count the student once and report the **highest** award conferred to the student by the status point (August 31, 2018).

Include non-degree awards in the "certificates" column. Report the highest award conferred by your institution at the 6-year status point even if the students are still enrolled at your institution or have transferred to another institution. DO NOT include graduate awards conferred to undergraduate students.

Total number of adjusted cohort that received an award from your institution: This column will calculate total number of highest awards conferred by your institution by the six-year status point (August 31, 2018).

Percent of adjusted cohort that received an award from your institution by August 31, 2018: This column will calculate the proportion of entering students who received an award from your institution for each adjusted subcohort. This six-year award rate is derived from the *Total number of adjusted cohort that received an award from your institution* divided by *Adjusted 2012-13 Cohort*.

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D. Award and Enrollment Status at Eight Years

1. Award Status at Eight Years After Entry

For each subcohort of degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate students, report the number of students that received an award by eight years after entering your institution.

All students entering in 2012-13 full-year cohort should be reported in one of the eight subcohorts. **Report each student only once.**

The **adjusted 2012-13 Cohort** has been brought forward to this screen from the "Establishing Cohorts" screen. The adjusted cohort is calculated by subtracting the eight-year exclusions from the 2012-13 cohort.

Number of students conferred an award by your institution (highest award through August 31, 2020): From the adjusted 2012-13 cohort, report the number of degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate students who earned an award (i.e., certificates, associate's or bachelor's) by eight years after entry for each subcohort. If a student earned multiple awards, count the student once and report the **highest** award conferred to the student by the status point (August 31, 2020).

Include non-degree awards in the "certificates" column. Report the highest award conferred by your institution at the eight-year status point even if the students are still enrolled at your institution or have transferred to another institution. DO NOT include graduate awards conferred to undergraduate students.

Total number of adjusted cohort that received an award from your institution: This column will calculate total number of highest awards conferred by your institution by the eight-year status point (August 31, 2020).

Percent of adjusted cohort that received an award from your institution by August 31, 2020: This column will calculate the proportion of entering students who received an award from your institution for each adjusted subcohort. This eight-year award rate is derived from the *Total number of adjusted cohort that received an award from your institution* divided by *Adjusted 2012-13 Cohort*.

2. Enrollment Status at Eight Years After Entry

For the remaining students in your adjusted subcohorts who have not earned an award from your institution by August 31, 2020, report each of these students in the one of the enrollment status columns.

Number of students who did not receive an award from your institution (from entry through August 31, 2020):

Number still enrolled at your institution: Report the number of students still enrolled at your institution as of August 31, 2020. Do not include any students who have received an award by August 31, 2020. You may include students who you know are enrolling at your institution in the fall term immediately following August 31, 2020.

Number who enrolled at another institution after leaving your institution: Report the total number of students who transferred out of your institution without an award (i.e., a degree, diploma, certificate, or other recognized postsecondary credential) and enrolled in another institution at any time from point of entry through August 31, 2020. You may include students who you know are enrolling at the other institution in the fall term immediately following August 31, 2020. Only include students for whom you have confirmed subsequent enrollment.

Number of students whose subsequent enrollment status is unknown: This column will be calculated by subtracting the sum of the *Number still enrolled at your institution*, the *Number who enrolled at another institution after leaving your institution*, and the *Total number of adjusted cohort that received an award from your institution (through August 31, 2020)* from the *Adjusted 2012-13 cohort*.

Total number of students who did not receive an award from your institution: The total number of students who did not receive an award by August 31, 2020 will be calculated by summing three columns: *Number still enrolled at your institution*, *Number who enrolled at another institution after leaving your institution*, and *Number of students whose subsequent enrollment status is unknown*.

Percent of the adjusted cohort that did not receive an award, but are still enrolled at your institution or enrolled at another institution after leaving your institution: This column will calculate the proportion of students who are still enrolled at your institution as of August 31, 2020, or left your institution and subsequently enrolled at another institution. The sum of the values from the *Number still enrolled at your institution* and *Number who enrolled at another institution after leaving your institution* are divided by *Adjusted 2012-13 Cohort*.

Glossary

Term	Definition
Adjusted cohort	The result of removing any allowable <u>exclusions</u> from a <u>cohort</u> (or <u>subcohort</u>). For the <u>Fall Enrollment</u> component, it is the cohort for calculating retention rate; for the <u>Graduation Rates</u> component, this is the cohort from which graduation and transfer-out rates are calculated; and for the <u>Outcome Measures</u> component, these are the four cohorts (first-time, full-time; first-time, part-time; non-first-time, full-time; or non-first-time, part-time) for which outcomes rates are calculated at 4, 6, and 8 years.
Associate's degree	An award that normally requires at least 2 but less than 4 years of full-time equivalent college work.
Bachelor's degree	An award (baccalaureate or equivalent degree, as determined by the Secretary, U.S. Department of Education) that normally requires at least 4 but not more than 5 years of full-time equivalent college-level work. This includes all bachelor's <u>degrees</u> conferred in a 5-year <u>cooperative</u> (work-study) <u>program</u> . A cooperative plan provides for alternate class attendance and employment in business, industry, or government; thus, it allows students to combine actual work experience with their college studies. Also includes bachelor's degrees in which the normal 4 years of work are completed in 3 years.
Calculated value (CV)	Calculated value (CV) is used to designate fields that are generated (or calculated) based on data provided on other lines within the same part of a survey component. For example, a "balance" line or "other (detail)" line will be calculated as the difference between the total line and the sum of the remaining detail.
Certificate	A recognized postsecondary credential that is conferred upon the satisfactory completion of a <u>postsecondary education program</u> .
Cohort	A specific group of students established for tracking purposes.
Cohort year	The year that a cohort of students begins attending college.
Degree	An award conferred by a college, university, or other <u>postsecondary education</u> institution as official recognition for the successful completion of a <u>program</u> of studies.
Degree/certificate-seeking students	Students enrolled in courses for credit who are seeking a degree, certificate, or other recognized postsecondary credential. This includes students who: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - received any type of federal financial aid, regardless of what courses they took at any time; - received any state or locally based financial aid with an eligibility requirement that the student be enrolled in a degree, certificate, or transfer-seeking program; or - obtained a student visa to study at a U.S. postsecondary institution <p>High school students also enrolled in postsecondary courses for credit are not considered degree/certificate-seeking.</p>
Exclusions	Those students who may be removed (deleted) from a <u>cohort</u> (or <u>subcohort</u>). For the <u>Graduation Rates</u> , <u>Outcome Measures</u> , and <u>Fall Enrollment</u> retention rate reporting, students may be removed from a cohort if they left the institution for one of the following reasons: death or total and permanent disability; service in the armed forces (including those called to active duty); service with a foreign aid service of the federal government, such as the Peace Corps; or service on official church missions.
First-time student (undergraduate)	A student who has no prior postsecondary experience (except as noted below) attending any institution for the first time at the <u>undergraduate level</u> . This includes students enrolled in <u>academic</u> or <u>occupational programs</u> . It also includes students enrolled in the <u>fall term</u> who attended college for the first time in the prior summer term, and students who entered with advanced standing (college <u>credits</u> or recognized postsecondary credential earned before graduation from high school).
Full-time student	Undergraduate: A student enrolled for 12 or more <u>semester credits</u> , or 12 or more <u>quarter</u> credits, or 24 or more <u>clock hours</u> a week each term. Graduate: A student enrolled for 9 or more semester credits, or 9 or more quarter credits, or a student involved in thesis or dissertation preparation that is considered full-time by the institution. <u>Doctor's degree - Professional practice</u> - as defined by the institution.
Full-year cohort	This is a group of students entering at any time during the <u>12-month period</u> for tracking and reporting. For <u>Graduation Rate</u> (GR), a full-year cohort is from September 1 through August 31 and is used primarily by institutions that offer <u>occupational programs</u> of varying lengths. Students must be <u>full-time</u> and <u>first-time</u> to be considered in the <u>cohort</u> . For <u>Outcome Measures</u> (OM) component, all degree-granting institutions report on a full-year cohort from July 1 through June 30. Students are reported once in one of the four OM cohorts: first-time, full-time; first-time, part-time; non-first-time, full-time; or non-first-time, part-time.
Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS)	The Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), conducted by the <u>NCES</u> , began in 1986 and involves annual institution-level data collections. All <u>postsecondary institutions</u> that have a <u>Program Participation Agreement</u> with the Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE), U.S. Department of Education (throughout IPEDS referred to as "Title IV") are required to report data using a web-based <u>data collection system</u> . IPEDS currently consists of the following components: <u>Institutional Characteristics (IC)</u> ; <u>12-month Enrollment (E12)</u> ; <u>Completions (C)</u> ; <u>Admissions (ADM)</u> ; <u>Student Financial Aid (SFA)</u> ; <u>Human Resources (HR)</u> , composed of Employees by Assigned Position, Fall Staff, and Salaries; <u>Fall Enrollment (EF)</u> ; <u>Graduation Rates (GR)</u> ; <u>Outcome Measures (OM)</u> ; <u>Finance (E)</u> ; and <u>Academic Libraries (AL)</u> .

Non-first-time entering student (undergraduate)	A student who has prior postsecondary experience before attending the reporting IPEDS institution. This cohort of students may closely reflect the transfer-in (non-first-time entering) enrollment from Fall Enrollment (EF), 12-month Enrollment (E12) and Outcomes Measures (OM) components.
Outcome Measures (OM)	This annual component aims to improve the collection of student progression and completion data on a more diverse group of undergraduate students at degree-granting institutions. Award and enrollment statuses are collected on four <u>cohorts</u> (first-time, full-time; first-time, part-time; non-first-time, full-time; and non-first-time, part-time) and on eight <u>subcohorts</u> (based on Pell Grant recipient status) of <u>degree/certificate-seeking students</u> at three points of time (four-, six-, and eight-years after entering the institution).
Part-time student	Undergraduate: A student enrolled for either less than 12 <u>semester</u> or <u>quarter</u> <u>credits</u> , or less than 24 <u>clock hours</u> a week each term. Graduate: A student enrolled for less than 9 semester or quarter credits.
Pell Grant program	(Higher Education Act of 1965, Title IV, Part A, Subpart I, as amended.) Provides grant assistance to eligible <u>undergraduate</u> postsecondary students with demonstrated financial need to help meet education expenses.
Postsecondary award, certificate, or diploma (1,800 or more clock hours, 60 or more semester or trimester credit hours, or 90 or more quarter credit hours)	An award that requires completion of an organized program of study at the postsecondary level (below the baccalaureate degree) designed for completion in 1,800 or more clock hours, or 60 or more semester or trimester credit hours, or 90 or more quarter credit hours. Beginning in 2020-21, references to academic year equivalencies were removed from all levels of subbaccalaureate certificates.
Postsecondary award, certificate, or diploma (300-899 clock hours, 9-29 semester or trimester credit hours, or 13-44 quarter credit hours)	An award that requires completion of an organized program of study at the postsecondary level (below the baccalaureate degree) designed for completion in at least 300 but less than 900 clock hours, or in at least 9 but less than 30 semester or trimester credit hours, or in at least 13 but less than 45 quarter credit hours. Beginning in 2020-21, this award level category was one of two added options for reporting certificates of less than one academic year in length.
Postsecondary award, certificate, or diploma (900-1,800 clock hours, 30-60 semester or trimester credit hours, or 45-90 quarter credit hours)	An award that requires completion of an organized program of study at the postsecondary level (below the baccalaureate degree) designed for completion in at least 900 but less than 1,800 clock hours, or in at least 30 but less than 60 semester or trimester credit hours, or in at least 45 but less than 90 quarter credit hours. Beginning in 2020-21, references to academic year equivalencies were removed from all levels of subbaccalaureate certificates.
Postsecondary award, certificate, or diploma (less than 300 clock hours, 9 semester or trimester credit hours, or 13 quarter credit hours)	An award that requires completion of an organized program of study at the postsecondary level (below the baccalaureate degree) designed for completion in less than 300 clock hours, or in less than 9 semester or trimester credit hours, or less than 13 quarter credit hours. Beginning in 2020-21, this award level category was one of two added options for reporting certificates of less than one academic year in length.
Recognized postsecondary credential	A recognized postsecondary credential includes any credential that is received after completion of a program that is eligible for Title IV federal student aid or that is awarded in recognition of an individual's attainment of measurable technical or industry/occupational skills necessary to obtain employment or advance within an industry/occupation. These technical or industry/occupational skills generally are based on standards developed or endorsed by employers or industry associations.
Subcohort	A predefined subset of the <u>initial cohort</u> or the <u>revised cohort</u> established for tracking purposes. <u>Degree/certificate-seeking students</u> in the <u>bachelor's degree-seeking</u> group in the <u>Graduation Rates</u> (GR) component and Pell-Grant, non-first-time, part-time students in the <u>Outcome Measures</u> (OM) component are examples of subcohorts.
Title IV institution	An institution that has a written agreement with the Secretary of Education that allows the institution to participate in any of the Title IV federal student financial assistance programs (other than the State Student Incentive Grant (SSIG) and the National Early Intervention Scholarship and Partnership (NEISP) programs).
Transfer-in (non-first-time entering) student	A student entering the reporting institution for the first time but known to have previously attended a postsecondary institution at the same level (e.g., undergraduate, graduate). This includes new students enrolled in the fall term who transferred into the reporting institution the prior summer term. The student may transfer with or without credit. For systems of coordinated institutions (multi-campus system), students are to be identified as transfer-in students upon entering an institution from another institution within the same coordinated system.
Transfer-out student	A student that leaves the reporting institution and enrolls at another institution. For systems of coordinated institutions (multi-campus system), students are to be identified as transfer-out students when leaving an institution to enroll into another institution within the same coordinated system.

Transfer-preparatory program	A <u>program</u> designed specifically to provide a student with the basic knowledge needed to transfer into a higher level program. For example, this may be the first 2 years of a baccalaureate level program for which the institution does not offer an award, or 2 years of undergraduate study needed for entrance into a first-professional program, or 1 or more years of undergraduate study needed for entrance into health services fields.
Undergraduate	A student enrolled in a 4- or 5-year <u>bachelor's degree</u> program, an <u>associate's degree</u> program, or a vocational or technical <u>program</u> below the baccalaureate.