



Graduation Rate

This annual component of IPEDS was added in 1997 to help institutions satisfy the requirements of the Student Right-to-Know legislation. Data are collected on the number of students entering the institution as full-time, first-time, degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate students in a particular year (cohort). 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. The graduation rate is calculated as the percentage of those students in the cohort (after adjusted/minus exclusion) who completed their program within 150 percent of normal time to completion.

For example, Graduation Rate of Cohort 2006 is a percentage of full-time, first-time freshmen bachelor or equivalent degree-seeking students enrolled at Kentucky State University in Fall 2006, including Summer prior, who completed their programs by Summer 2012.

	Cohort Year					5-Yr Change
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	
Cohort Size (First-time, Full-time, Bachelor degree-seeking)	275	306	362	506	522	
Graduated within 150% (Completers within 6 years)	63	76	78	71	95	
Graduation Rate (Percent Completers of Cohort)	22.9%	24.8%	21.5%	14.0%	18.2%	-4.7%



Graduation Rates Among Kentucky Public Institutions

Institution Name	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	5-Yr Change
Eastern Kentucky University	37.7%	36.9%	37.3%	37.6%	36.9%	-0.8%
Kentucky State University	22.9%	22.9%	24.8%	21.4%	14.0%	-8.9%
Morehead State University	39.1%	39.9%	34.2%	40.4%	42.8%	3.7%
Murray State University	49.1%	49.6%	53.7%	52.4%	54.1%	5.0%
Northern Kentucky University	32.3%	31.8%	34.1%	37.0%	37.1%	4.8%
University of Kentucky	57.7%	59.5%	58.2%	59.2%	57.6%	-0.1%
University of Louisville	45.7%	48.4%	48.6%	50.8%	52.1%	6.4%
Western Kentucky University	47.3%	49.5%	48.7%	49.7%	49.6%	2.3%

Source: IPEDS

Note: Cohort 2007 data has not been published





Graduation Rate Demographic

	Cohort Year															5-Yr Change Grad Rate
	2003			2004			2005			2006			2007			
	N Cohort	N Grad	Grad Rate	N Cohort	N Grad	Grad Rate	N Cohort	N Grad	Grad Rate	N Cohort	N Grad	Grad Rate	N Cohort	N Grad	Grad Rate	
Total Cohort	275	63	23%	306	76	25%	362	78	22%	507	71	14%	522	95	18%	-5%
Gender																
Female	133	36	27%	160	57	36%	188	42	22%	225	42	19%	278	71	26%	-2%
Male	142	27	19%	146	19	13%	174	36	21%	282	29	10%	244	24	10%	-9%
Race																
Black, Non Hispanic	211	54	26%	215	53	25%	285	64	22%	451	60	13%	413	78	19%	-7%
Asian/Pacific Islander	1	0	0%	3	2	67%	5	1	20%	3	1	33%	2	2	100%	100%
Hispanic	5	0	0%	2	0	0%	1	0	0%	3	0	0%	1	0	0%	0%
White, Non Hispanic	43	8	19%	49	12	24%	48	7	15%	45	9	20%	45	7	16%	-3%
Other Races	15	1	7%	37	9	24%	23	6	26%	5	1	20%	61	8	13%	6%
Residency																
In-State	115	18	16%	142	27	19%	175	33	19%	217	30	14%	213	31	15%	-1%
Out-of-State	160	45	28%	164	49	30%	187	45	24%	290	41	14%	309	64	21%	-7%