



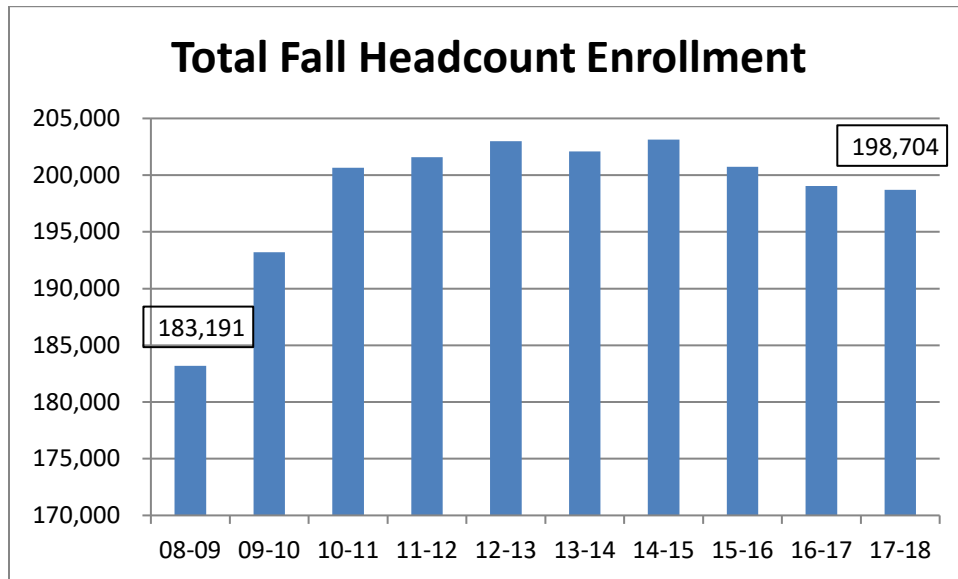
STATE OF CONNECTICUT
Office of Higher Education

FALL 2017 COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY ENROLLMENT IN CONNECTICUT

Introduction

This report analyzes fall 2017 headcount enrollment as reported by Connecticut’s public and independent colleges and universities. It presents data on students who are enrolled for credit, with detail by full- and part-time status, level (undergraduate, graduate), and first-time freshmen.

Connecticut public and independent colleges enrolled 198,704 students this fall, down 345 (-0.2%) from last year. This is the third consecutive year of decline after the state reached its high water mark in 2014-15. This fall’s enrollment is down 4,441 students from 2014-15 or -2.2%



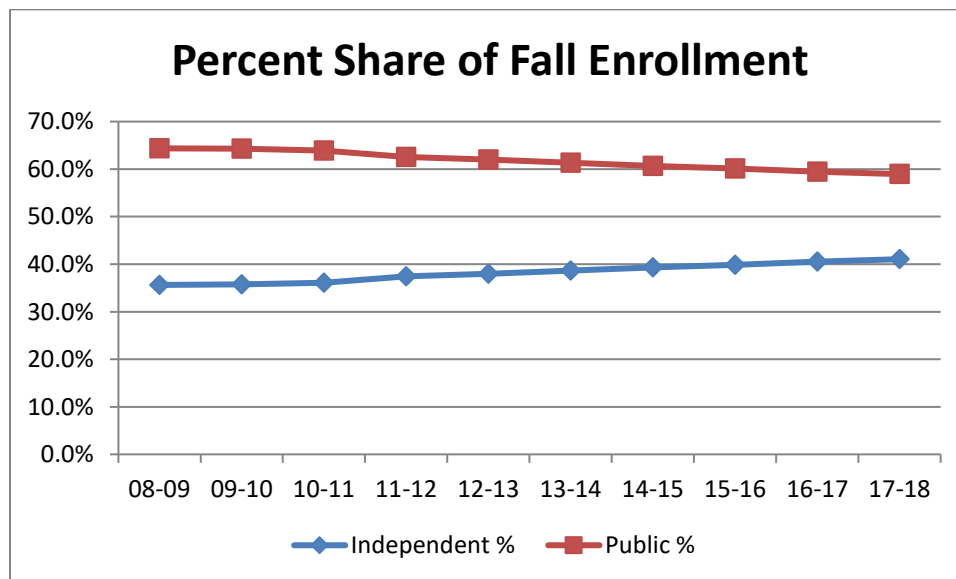
Headcount by Sector

	Total Number of Students	Percent of Students
Public Colleges and Universities		
Undergraduate	103,347	52.0%
Graduate	13,793	6.9%
Total	117,793	58.9%
Independent Colleges and Universities		
Undergraduate	58,324	29.4%
Graduate	23,240	11.7%
Total	81,564	41.1%
State Total	198,704	100.0%

Historical Head Count Enrollment by Sector

	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Percent Change 08-17
Public Colleges and Universities											
Undergraduate	104,703	109,354	113,551	112,765	112,448	110,754	109,545	107,236	104,550	103,347	-1.3%
Graduate	13,211	14,830	14,660	14,151	13,471	13,242	13,662	13,429	13,781	13,793	4.4%
Total	117,914	124,184	128,211	126,916	125,919	123,996	123,207	120,665	118,331	117,140	-0.7%
Independent Colleges and Universities											
Undergraduate	46,719	47,911	50,800	53,424	55,483	56,372	57,349	56,783	57,149	58,324	24.8%
Graduate	18,558	21,113	21,626	22,040	21,590	21,727	22,589	23,300	23,569	23,240	25.2%
Total	65,277	69,024	72,426	75,464	77,073	78,099	79,938	80,083	80,718	81,564	25.0%
State Total	183,191	193,208	200,637	201,577	202,992	202,095	203,145	200,748	199,049	198,704	8.5%

- Public Sector** - Enrollment at the public institutions declined by 1,191 versus last year or -1.0%. Combined, the public institutions enrolled 117,140 students which accounts for 59.0% of all students enrolled in Connecticut. This total is 4 years removed for the public institution record high in 2013-14 where they enrolled 123,996 students and accounted for 61.4% of Connecticut enrollment.
- Independent Sector** - Enrollment at the independent institutions grew by 846 versus last year or 1.0%. Combined, the independent institutions enrolled 81,564 students which accounts for 41.0% of all students enrolled in Connecticut. This total is an all-time high, and since 2008-09, this sector has gradually increased their percent share of Connecticut enrollment against the public institutions.

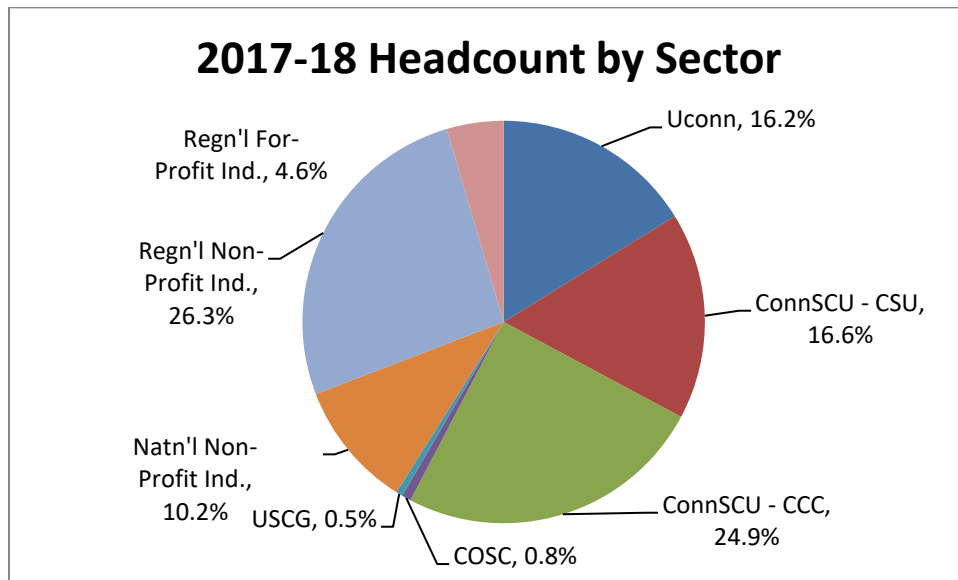


Public Colleges and Universities

Enrollment at the public institutions declined by 1,191 versus last year or -1.0%. Within these institutions, 103,347 are undergraduates and account for 88.2% of the total. Over the course of the last 10 years, that percentage of the total has remained constant. The full-time student's population total in fall 2017 is 70,174 or 59.9% of the total. Part-time undergrads have declined the most from the previous year enrolling 1,352 less students or -3.2%. Since their high water mark in 2012-13, this sector has declined by 13.8%.

Independent Colleges and Universities

Enrollment at the independent institutions grew by 846 versus last year or 1.0%. Within these institutions, 58,324 are undergraduates and account for 71.5% of the total. Over the course of the last 10 years, that percentage of the total has remained constant. The full-time students population total was 60,477 in fall 2017 or 74.1% of the total. The full-time undergraduate sector has grown the most this year enrolling 812 more students than the previous year or 1.8%, and 15.0% more full-time undergraduate students than ten years ago.



University of Connecticut Enrollment

Headcount by Sector – University of Connecticut

	Total Number of Students	Percent of Students
Undergraduate	23,845	74.1%
Graduate	8,337	25.9%
Total	32,182	100.0%
Full-Time	28,175	87.5%
Part-Time	4,007	12.5%
Total	32,182	100.0%

Historical Head Count Enrollment by Sector – University of Connecticut

	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Percent Change 08- 17
Undergraduate	21,372	21,496	21,881	22,472	22,301	22,595	22,973	23,407	23,630	23,845	11.6%
Graduate	6,583	8,021	8,153	8,053	7,955	7,879	8,146	8,217	8,397	8,337	26.6%
Total	27,955	29,517	30,034	30,525	30,256	30,474	31,119	31,624	32,027	32,182	15.1%
Full-Time	23,060	24,472	24,939	25,614	25,518	25,911	26,787	27,434	28,030	28,175	22.2%
Part-Time	4,895	5,045	5,095	4,911	4,738	4,563	4,332	4,190	3,997	4,007	-18.1%
Total	27,955	29,517	30,034	30,525	30,256	30,474	31,119	31,624	32,027	32,182	15.1%

- Enrollment at UConn grew 155 students versus last year or 0.5%. Each of the last five years has been a new record for total enrollment at the institution. Growth has been the greatest in full-time undergrad and full-time graduate studies, each growing by 10.8% and 9.0% respectively in the last five years.
- Attracting first time freshman has been instrumental, mirroring record highs in enrollment for the last five years. First time freshman enrollment is now 19.9% higher in the fall of 2017 than it was five years ago.

Connecticut State University Enrollment

Headcount by Sector – Connecticut State Universities

	Total Number of Students	Percent of Students
Undergraduate	27,661	83.7%
Graduate	5,372	16.3%
Total	33,033	100.0%
Full-Time	24,419	73.9%
Part-Time	8,619	26.1%
Total	33,033	100.0%

Historical Head Count Enrollment by Sector – Connecticut State Universities

	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Percent Change 08- 17
Undergraduate	29,263	29,694	30,122	29,949	29,308	28,699	28,585	28,434	27,853	27,661	-5.5%
Graduate	6,628	6,809	6,507	6,098	5,516	5,363	5,516	5,212	5,334	5,372	-18.9%
Total	35,891	36,503	36,629	36,047	34,824	34,062	34,101	33,646	33,187	33,033	-8.0%
Full-Time	25,295	26,077	26,528	26,238	25,556	25,027	24,718	24,593	24,395	24,419	-3.5%
Part-Time	10,596	10,426	10,101	9,809	9,268	9,035	9,383	9,053	8,792	8,614	-18.7%
Total	35,891	36,503	36,629	36,047	34,824	34,062	34,101	33,646	33,187	33,033	-8.0%

- Enrollment at the State Universities declined by -154 students versus last year or -0.5%. Since their record high in fall 2010, CSU has declined by -9.8% or -3,596 students. The part-time graduate sector has declined the most since 2010, declining by -22.2% or -1,048 students.
- Recent years have shown growth in first time freshman enrollment which has grown by 47 students or 1.0% students over last year and by 245 students or 5.7% when compared to three years ago.

Connecticut Community College Enrollment

Headcount by Sector – Connecticut Community Colleges

	Total Number of Students	Percent of Students
Full-Time	16,239	32.9%
Part-Time	33,141	67.1%
Total	49,380	100.0%

Historical Head Count Enrollment by Sector – Connecticut Community Colleges

	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Percent Change 08- 17
Full-Time	19,694	21,404	21,918	20,293	19,601	19,243	18,418	17,375	16,301	16,239	-17.5%
Part-Time	31,411	33,708	36,335	36,859	38,627	37,734	36,744	35,386	34,247	33,141	5.5%
Total	51,105	55,112	58,253	57,152	58,228	56,977	55,162	52,761	50,548	49,380	-3.4%

- Enrollment at the Community Colleges declined by -1,168 students versus last year or -2.3%. Since their record high in fall 2012, CCC has declined by -15.2% or -8,848 students. The part-time undergraduate sector has declined the most since 2010, declining by -14.2% or -5,486 students.
- Recent years have also shown decline in first time freshman enrollment which is down -42 students or -0.4% over last year and by -538 or -5.4% students when compared to three years ago.

Charter Oak State College Enrollment

Headcount by Sector – Charter Oak State College

	Total Number of Students	Percent of Students
Undergraduate	1,416	94.4%
Graduate	84	5.6%
Total	1,500	100.0%
Full-Time	296	19.7%
Part-Time	1,204	80.3%
Total	1,500	100.0%

Historical Head Count Enrollment by Sector – Charter Oak State College

	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Percent Change 08-17
Undergraduate	1,988	2,079	2,278	2,147	1,644	1,581	1,929	1,735	1,533	1,416	-28.8%
Graduate	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	84	-
Total	1,988	2,079	2,278	2,147	1,644	1,581	1,929	1,735	1,583	1,500	-25.5%
Full-Time	131	168	237	222	276	301	386	329	319	296	126.2%
Part-Time	1,857	1,911	2,041	1,925	1,368	1,280	1,543	1,406	1,264	1,204	-35.2%
Total	1,988	2,079	2,278	2,147	1,644	1,581	1,929	1,735	1,583	1,500	-25.5%

- Enrollment at the Charter Oak declined by -83 students versus last year or -5.2%. Since their record high in fall 2010, COSC has declined by -778 students or -34.2%. Seventy-five percent of their student body is part-time undergraduate students. This area has been the primary are of decline.

National Independent Non-Profit Enrollment

Headcount by Sector – National Non-Profit Independent

	Total Number of Students	Percent of Students
Undergraduate	12,760	62.9%
Graduate	7,526	37.1%
Total	20,286	100.0%
Full-Time	19,812	97.7%
Part-Time	474	2.3%
Total	20,286	100.0%

Historical Head Count Enrollment by Sector – National Non-Profit Independent

	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Percent Change 08-17
Undergraduate	12,235	12,260	12,336	12,431	12,556	12,552	12,614	12,636	12,567	12,760	4.3%
Graduate	5,462	6,830	6,863	6,942	6,916	7,074	7,254	7,216	7,312	7,526	37.8%
Total	17,697	19,090	19,199	19,373	19,472	19,626	19,868	19,852	19,879	20,286	14.6%
Full-Time	17,005	18,433	18,602	18,828	18,943	19,087	19,345	19,250	19,395	19,812	16.5%
Part-Time	692	657	597	545	529	539	523	602	484	474	-31.5%
Total	17,697	19,090	19,199	19,373	19,472	19,626	19,868	19,852	19,879	20,286	14.6%

- Enrollment at the National Independents grew 407 students versus last year or 2.0%. Fall 2017 was a new record for total enrollment in this sector, crossing 20,000 for the first time (20,286). Growth has been the greatest in full-time graduate sector, growing by 260 students over last year or 3.7% and growing by 2,305 students or 46.2% in the last ten years.
- The national independents have steadily increased first time freshman enrollment growing by 5.6% over last year, 4.5% in the last three years and 5.1% in the last five years.

Regional Independent Non-Profit Enrollment

Headcount by Sector – Regional Non-Profit Independent

	Total Number of Students	Percent of Students
Undergraduate	37,183	71.2%
Graduate	15,017	28.8%
Total	52,200	100.0%
Full-Time	37,364	71.6%
Part-Time	14,836	28.4%
Total	52,200	100.0%

Historical Head Count Enrollment by Sector – Regional Non-Profit Independent

	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Percent Change 08- 17
Undergraduate	31,549	32,265	33,709	34,385	34,683	35,395	36,249	36,588	36,872	37,183	17.9%
Graduate	12,918	13,890	14,140	14,319	13,903	13,952	14,611	15,467	15,646	15,017	16.2%
Total	44,467	46,155	47,849	48,704	48,586	49,337	50,860	52,055	52,518	52,200	17.4%
Full-Time	30,978	32,300	32,973	33,225	33,283	34,466	35,809	36,776	37,245	37,364	20.6%
Part-Time	13,489	13,855	14,876	15,479	15,303	14,881	15,051	15,279	15,273	14,836	10.0%
Total	44,467	46,155	47,849	48,704	48,586	49,337	50,860	52,055	52,518	52,200	17.4%

- Enrollment at the Regional Non-Profits declined by -318 students versus last year or -0.6%. Since the fall of 1999, this sector has experienced a remarkable run of 16 years of growth in 19 years. To quantify, Regional Non-Profits have grown by 14,973 students of 40.2% during this span. Full-time undergrad has grown the most by adding 637 students over last year, or 2.2% and 4,573 students in the last ten years, or 17.8%.
- First-time freshman enrollment has also grown at very high rate growing by 426 students over last year, or 5.3% and 1,797 students in the last ten years, or 27.2%.

Regional Independent For-Profit Enrollment

Headcount by Sector – Regional For-Profit Independent

	Total Number of Students	Percent of Students
Undergraduate	8,381	92.3%
Graduate	697	7.7%
Total	9,078	100.0%
Full-Time	3,301	36.4%
Part-Time	5,777	63.6%
Total	9,078	100.0%

Historical Head Count Enrollment by Sector – Regional For-Profit Independent

	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Percent Change 08- 17
Undergraduate	2,935	3,386	4,755	6,608	8,244	8,425	8,486	7,559	7,710	8,381	158.6%
Graduate	178	393	623	779	771	711	724	617	611	697	291.6%
Total	3,113	3,779	5,378	7,387	9,015	9,136	9,210	8,176	8,321	9,078	191.6%
Full-Time	2,210	2,049	3,054	3,698	3,921	3,809	3,618	3,522	3,251	3,301	49.9%
Part-Time	903	1,730	2,324	3,689	5,094	5,327	5,592	4,654	5,070	5,777	539.8.0%
Total	3,113	3,779	5,378	7,387	9,015	9,136	9,210	8,176	8,321	9,078	191.6%

- Regional For-Profit Independents** - Enrollment at the Regional For-Profits grew by 757 students versus last year or 9.1%. In the last ten years this sector has grown by 5,965 students or 191.6%. In recent years this sector has also shown growth in first time freshman enrollment which is up 172 students over last year, or 11.8% and by 952 students or 139.8% when compared to ten years ago.