

Enrollment Report 2021



Dear colleagues:

I am pleased to present Ohio State's 2021 Enrollment Report. In this report, you will find a summary of university enrollment, key data on our students and a decade's worth of historical statistics on a variety of meaningful measures.

Once again, the numbers tell a great university success story. Even with the continued challenges of COVID-19, there's much to be proud of, including a continued increase in minority student enrollment as well as strong graduation and retention rates.

The pandemic continued to impact some numbers, however: regional campus enrollment is once again down from previous years.

Among the highlights:

- We enrolled the largest number of minority students in the Columbus campus freshman class in university history, with minority representation increasing to 2,196 students.
- We enrolled record numbers of Latinx, Asian and African American students of all levels on all campuses.
- First-year retention rose to 94%, and our four- and six-year graduation rates hit 70.8% and 88%, respectively — both record highs.

Overall, our strong numbers are the result of university-wide efforts to enroll well-prepared students, to focus on student success through targeted programming and to provide our Buckeyes with a tremendous academic experience. Behind those efforts are the dedicated faculty and staff who attract, retain, support, inspire and challenge our students every day.

Thank you for your contribution.

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Enrollment counts

Total university enrollment, all levels and campuses

Total	67,772
Undergraduate	53,189
Graduate	11,278
Professional	3,305

Enrollment by country and state, all levels and campuses

Top 14 countries: China, India, Korea (Republic of), Taiwan, Malaysia, Canada, Saudi Arabia, Brazil, Turkey, Bangladesh, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Vietnam, Indonesia, Mexico

Top 12 states: Ohio, Illinois, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, California, Michigan, Maryland, Texas, Florida, Virginia, Massachusetts

Undergraduate details, Columbus

Campus-change students (from regional to Columbus)

Autumn 2021	1,286
Autumn 2020	1,412
Autumn 2019	1,372
Autumn 2018	1,422
Autumn 2017	1,348
Autumn 2016	1,246

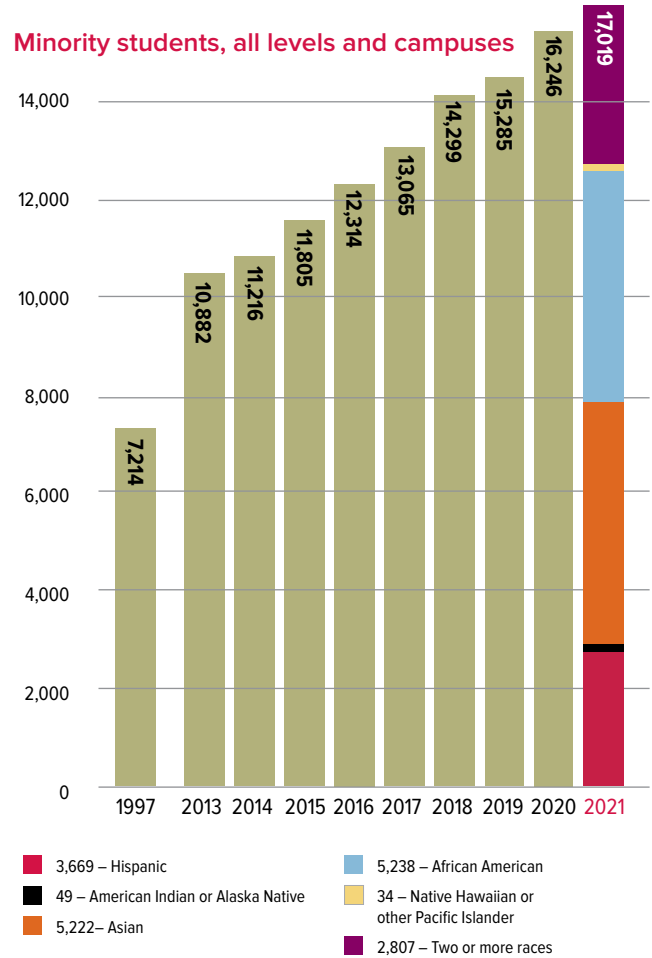
Transfer students from two- and four-year colleges

Autumn 2021	2,070
Autumn 2020	2,158
Autumn 2019	2,415
Autumn 2018	2,388
Autumn 2017	2,634
Autumn 2016	2,375

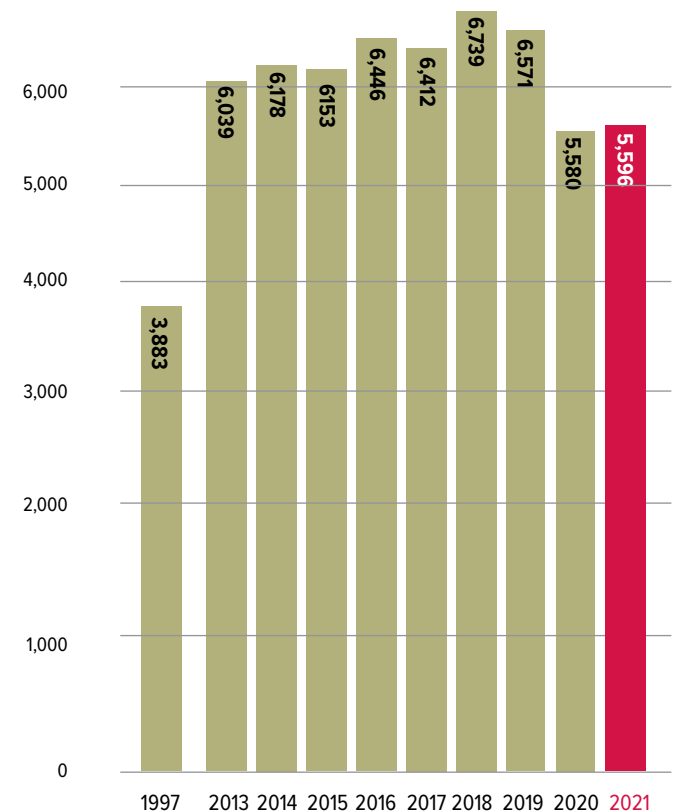
Distribution by academic area, Columbus

Arts and Sciences	17,453	37.1%
Business	7,643	16.2%
Dental Hygiene	154	0.3%
Education and Human Ecology	3,042	6.5%
Engineering and Architecture	8,334	17.7%
Exploration	2,223	4.7%
Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences	2,275	4.8%
Health and Rehabilitation Sciences	2,139	4.5%
Medicine	100	0.2%
Nursing	1,064	2.3%
Pharmacy	465	1.0%
Public Affairs	322	0.7%
Public Health	328	0.7%
Social Work	446	0.9%
Continuing education	588	1.2%
Dual enrollment	530	1.1%
Total	47,106	100%

Minority students, all levels and campuses



Number of international students, all levels



Freshman information *(for the class of 2021)*

Admission data, Columbus

Total freshman applicants	63,138
Number admitted	33,247
Enrolled freshmen	8,350

Academic qualifications

% in top 10% of high school class	64
% in top 25% of high school class	94
ACT Composite (middle 50%)	26–32
SAT Combined (middle 50%)	1260–1420

Demographics

Male/Female ratio	46/54
Minority students	2,196 (26.3%)
First generation	1,774 (21.2%)
Pell-grant recipients	1,471 (17.6%)

Residency distribution

Ohio residents	5,773 (69.1%)
Domestic out-of-state students	1,884 (22.6%)
International students	693 (8.3%)

Freshman enrollment by campus

CFAES Wooster (ATI)	207
Columbus	8,350
Lima	279
Mansfield	358
Marion	378
Newark	1,352

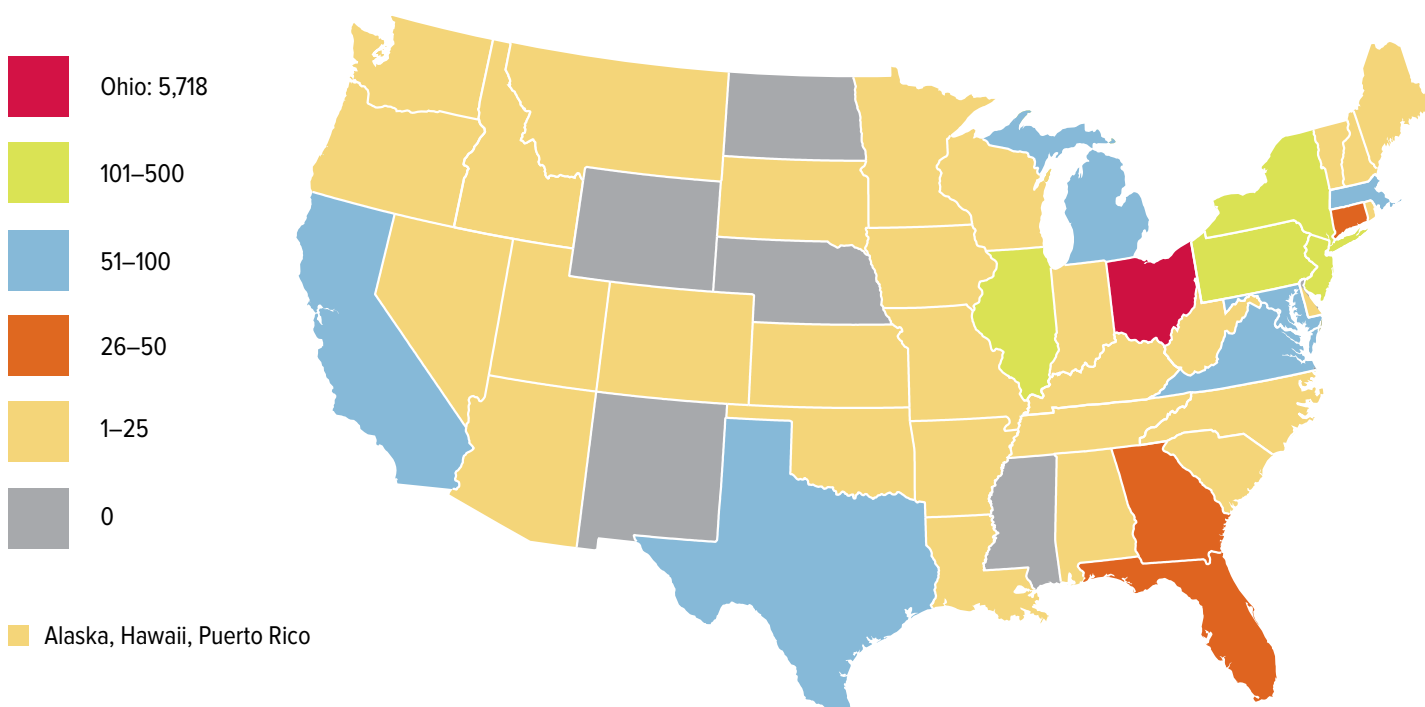


First-year retention

Ohio State's first-year retention for the class of 2021 was 94%, well above the national average for four-year colleges and universities. Underrepresented minority students retained at very high levels: 92.7% of African American students returned for a second year as did 90.5% of Latinx students.

Geographic distribution, Columbus campus

Distribution of first-year students by state and territory



Graduate and professional information *(Columbus)*

Enrollment data

Enrollment composition

Master's	5,591
PhD	5,068
Non-degree/Certificate	407

Total graduate applications

Autumn 2021	16,255
Autumn 2020	16,620
Autumn 2019	16,107
Autumn 2018	17,022
Autumn 2017	17,441
Autumn 2016	18,436

Total graduate enrollment

Autumn 2021	11,266
Autumn 2020	11,095
Autumn 2019	11,285
Autumn 2018	11,097
Autumn 2017	10,672
Autumn 2016	10,483

Total post-baccalaureate professional enrollment

Autumn 2021	3,305
Autumn 2020	3,290
Autumn 2019	3,288
Autumn 2018	3,253
Autumn 2017	3,219
Autumn 2016	3,168

Distribution by academic area

Graduate

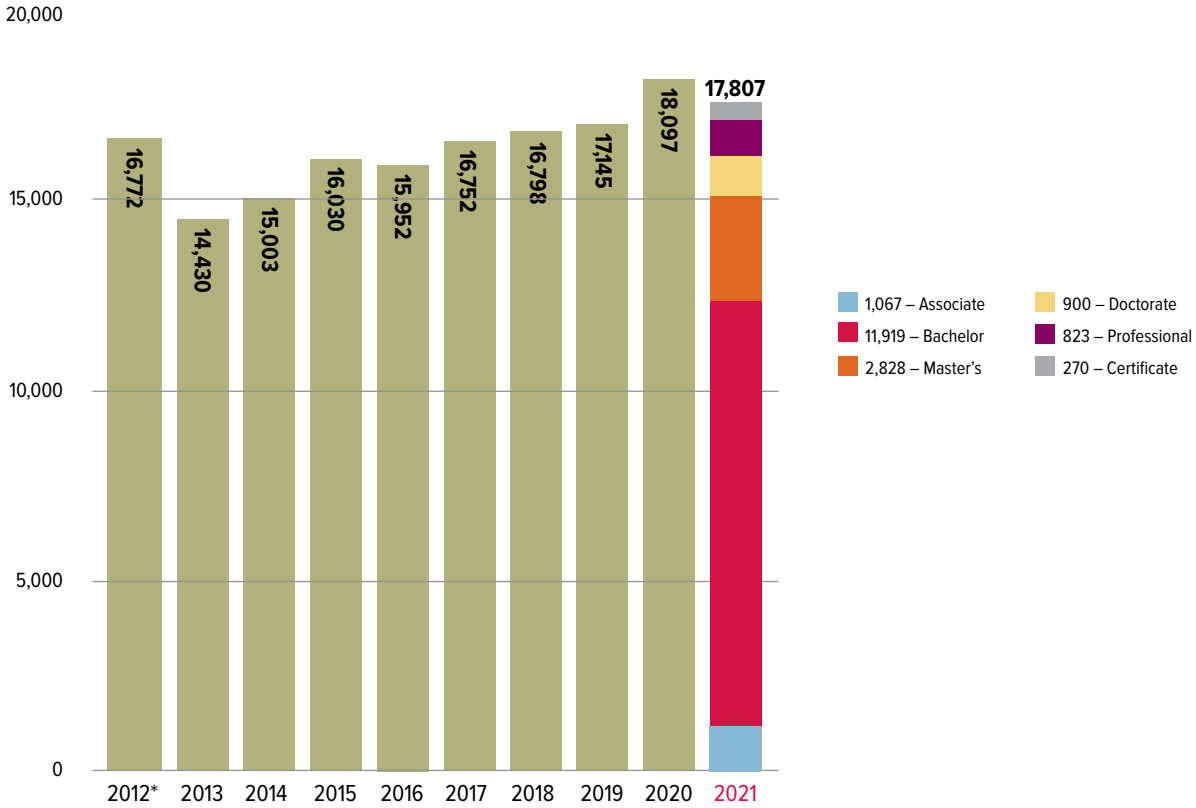
Arts and Sciences	2,285	20.3%
Business	886	7.9%
Dentistry	85	0.8%
Education and Human Ecology	1,024	9.1%
Engineering and Architecture	1,861	16.5%
Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences	507	4.5%
GRD Interdisciplinary	934	8.3%
Health and Rehabilitation Sciences	412	3.7%
Law	10	<0.1%
Medicine	384	3.4%
Nursing	1,067	9.5%
Optometry	9	<0.1%
Pharmacy	98	0.9%
Public Affairs	262	2.3%
Public Health	351	3.1%
Social Work	1,013	9.0%
Veterinary Medicine	78	0.7%
Total	11,266	100%

Post-baccalaureate professional

Dentistry	473	14.3%
Law	574	17.4%
Medicine	829	25.1%
Optometry	265	8.0%
Pharmacy	502	15.2%
Veterinary Medicine	662	20.0%
Total	3,305	100%

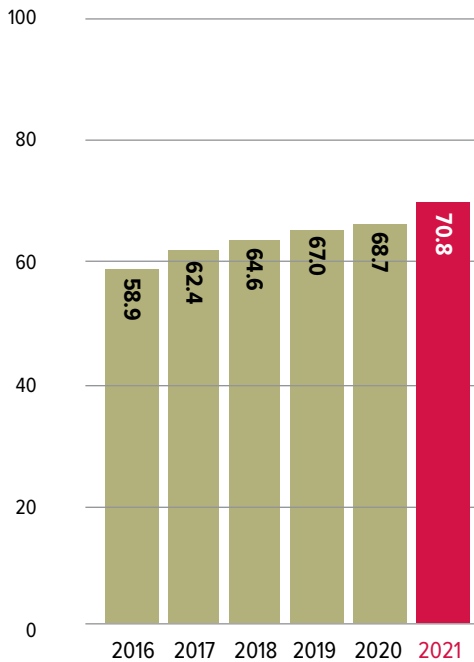
Degree attainment and graduation

Degrees awarded



* Higher rate due to semester conversion

Percent of undergraduates graduating within four years of enrolling



Percent of undergraduates graduating within six years of enrolling

