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Introduction

An Iowa student is able to receive funding through multiple scholarship and grant programs administered by Iowa Department of Education's Bureau of Iowa College Aid (Iowa College Aid), as long as the student meets the eligibility criteria for each program. This technique of distributing financial aid is referred to as 'stacking.' There are various methods of stacking, but generally the process involves awarding each scholarship and grant until the student qualifies for no additional assistance or until the student's total financial aid meets a maximum threshold (such as meeting the student's financial need or cost of attendance).

The data in this report provides insight into the prevalence of stacking under Iowa College Aid-administered financial aid awards.

Descriptive Analyses

The 2023-24 report provides data on 11 unique Iowa College Aid-administered scholarship and grant programs. Each of these programs has unique eligibility criteria, but most have the same general intent – providing grant funding to Iowa residents who demonstrate financial need and who are attending Iowa colleges and universities. If a student meets the eligibility criteria for multiple programs, that student may be awarded program funding if there is remaining unmet need and the total amount of aid, when combined with aid received from other sources, does not exceed the student’s cost of attendance (other criteria also apply). This, in essence, leads to stacking of Iowa College Aid-administered awards.

During the 2023-24 academic year, a total of 23,493 students received 31,437 awards through the following programs: Iowa Tuition Grant: Not-for-Profit, Iowa Tuition Grant: For-Profit, Iowa Vocational-Technical Tuition Grant, Skilled Workforce Shortage Tuition Grant (Kibbie Grant), All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship, Education and Training Voucher, Iowa National Guard Service Scholarship, Future Ready Iowa Grant, Future Ready Iowa Last-Dollar Scholarship, GEAR UP Iowa Scholarship, and Iowa Workforce Grant and Incentive Program. Of the total unduplicated student recipients, 4,019 students (14.43%) received awards from two Iowa College Aid-administered programs, 1,885 students (7.42%) received funds through three programs, and 51 received awards from four or more programs. Approximately 25.35% of all recipients received two or more scholarships/grants in 2023-24, a slight increase from the 22.20% in 2022-23.

Unduplicated Recipients

Number of State Administered Awards	Count of Recipients	Percent
1 Award	17,538	77.80%
2 Awards	4,019	14.43%
3 Awards	1,885	7.42%
4 Awards	49	0.35%
5 Awards	2	0.00%
Total	23,493	100.00%

The following tables provides insight into the number of students who received awards from more than one program, first by count then percent. The first column of each chart indicates the primary program of receipt. The data in each chart are organized horizontally and should be read as follows: find the program name in Column 1 and read across the row to find the number of Column 1 program recipients

who also received awards from another state program. For example, 130 Iowa Tuition Grant (Column 1) recipients also received an All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship. The shaded boxes represent the total number of unduplicated recipients in each program.

Count of recipients with more than one Iowa College Aid-Administered Scholarship/Grant Program

Program	ITGnfp	ITGp	IVTG	KG	AIOS	ETV	NGSS	GUS	FRG	LDS	WG
Iowa Tuition Grant Not-for-Profit (ITGnfp)	8,326	1	11	14	130	19	87	215	53	224	6
Iowa Tuition Grant For-Profit (ITGfp)	1	129	1	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	0
Iowa Vocational-Technical Tuition Grant (IVTG)	11	1	2,690	2,097	21	1	31	19	0	1,906	0
Kibbie Grant (KG)	14	1	2,097	5,270	90	23	66	42	0	4,191	2
All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship (AIOS)	130	0	21	90	737	53	4	22	0	91	83
Education and Training Voucher (ETV)	19	1	1	23	53	129	1	4	0	16	6
Iowa National Guard Service Scholarship (NGSS)	87	0	31	66	4	1	958	33	2	87	98
GEAR UP Iowa Scholarship (GUS)	215	2	19	42	22	4	33	1,693	0	67	147
Future Ready Iowa Grant (FRG)	53	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	99	0	17
Future Ready Iowa Last-Dollar Scholarship (LDS)	224	0	1,906	4,191	91	16	87	67	0	8,013	3
Iowa Workforce Grant (WG)	6	0	0	2	83	6	98	147	17	3	3,393

Percent of recipients of more than one Iowa College Aid-Administered Scholarship/Grant Program

Program	ITGnfp	ITGp	IVTG	KG	AIOS	ETV	NGSS	GUS	FRG	LDS	WG
Iowa Tuition Grant Not-for-Profit (ITGnfp)	100%	0.01%	0.13%	0.17%	1.56%	0.23%	1.04%	2.58%	0.64%	2.69%	0.07%
Iowa Tuition Grant For-Profit (ITGfp)	0.78%	100%	0.78%	0.78%	0.00%	0.78%	0.00%	1.55%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Iowa Vocational-Technical Tuition Grant (IVTG)	0.41%	0.04%	100%	77.96%	0.78%	0.04%	1.15%	0.71%	0.00%	70.86%	0.00%
Kibbie Grant (KG)	0.27%	0.02%	39.79%	100%	1.71%	0.44%	1.25%	0.80%	0.00%	79.53%	0.04%
All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship (AIOS)	17.64%	0.00%	2.85%	12.21%	100%	7.19%	0.54%	2.99%	0.00%	12.35%	11.26%
Education and Training Voucher (ETV)	14.73%	0.78%	0.78%	17.83%	41.09%	100%	0.78%	3.10%	0.00%	12.40%	4.65%
Iowa National Guard Service Scholarship (NGSS)	9.08%	0.00%	3.24%	6.89%	0.42%	0.10%	100%	3.44%	0.21%	9.08%	10.23%
GEAR UP Iowa Scholarship (GUS)	12.70%	0.12%	1.12%	2.48%	1.30%	0.24%	1.95%	100%	0.00%	3.96%	8.68%
Future Ready Iowa Grant (FRG)	53.54%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.02%	0.00%	100%	0.00%	17.17%
Future Ready Iowa Last-Dollar Scholarship (LDS)	2.80%	0.00%	23.79%	52.30%	1.14%	0.20%	1.09%	0.84%	0.00%	100%	0.04%
Iowa Workforce Grant (WG)	0.18%	0.00%	0.00%	0.06%	2.45%	0.18%	2.89%	4.33%	0.50%	0.09%	100%

The percentage of recipients who received financial aid through two programs administered by Iowa College Aid varies depending on the size of the recipient population. For instance, the number of Iowa Tuition Grant (ITGnfp) recipients who also receive ETV awards was less than ¼ of a percentage point (0.23%) while the number of ETV recipients that receive an Iowa Tuition Grant (ITGnfp) was 14.73%. When comparing percentages, it is important to consider the size of the recipient population of both programs.