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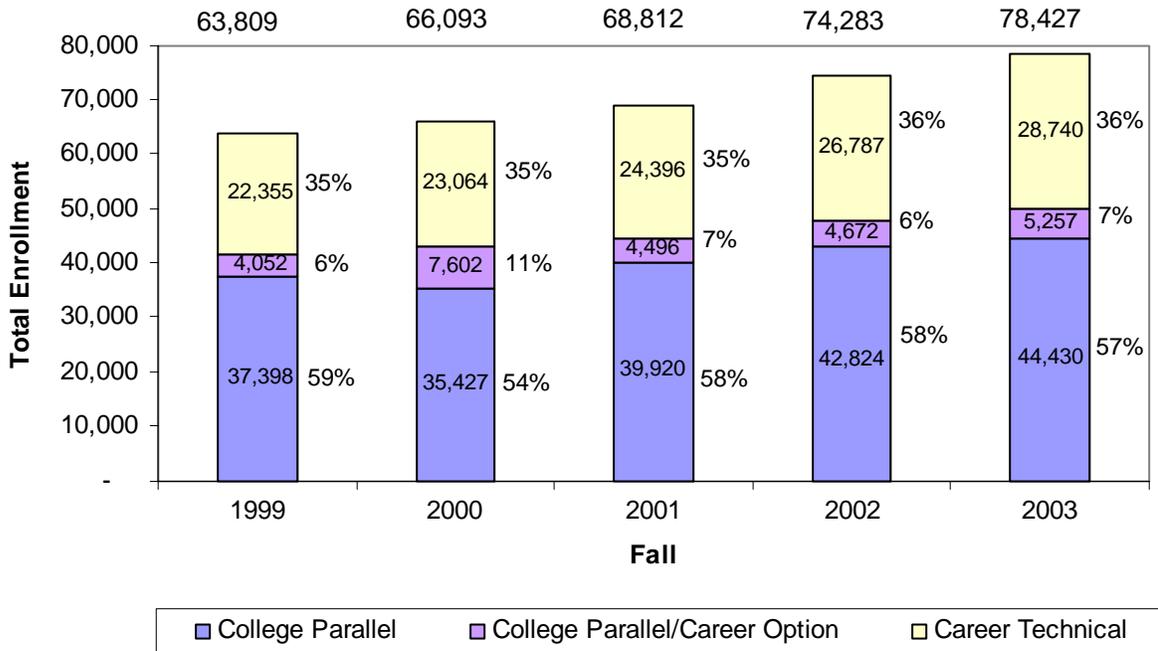
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## Iowa Community College Fall 2003 Credit Student Enrollment Report

Iowa Community Colleges transmit fall enrollment data to the Department of Education after the 14<sup>th</sup> day of the fall term start date. All data included in this report, except where noted, are taken from the Management Information System (MIS) electronic data files and are confirmed by the community college transmittal sheet. Fall 2003 unduplicated credit headcount enrollment of 78,281 demonstrates an increase of 4,334 (5.86%) over Fall 2002 unduplicated credit headcount enrollment of 73,947.

**Total Enrollment by Program Type:** Community college fall credit enrollment continues to grow, with approximately 57 percent pursuing College Parallel program majors (see Figure 1). College Parallel program enrollment increased 1,606 (3.75%) from 42,824 in Fall 2002 to 44,430 in Fall 2003. Career Technical enrollment increased 1,953 (7.29%) from 26,787 to 28,740 over the same time period, and College Parallel/Career Option (preparation for a vocation and transfer to a four-year institution), increased 585 (12.52%) from 4,672 to 5,257. Total enrollment of 78,427, includes duplicated headcount of 146 students enrolled in more than one program.

**Figure 1  
Iowa Community College Fall Credit Enrollments  
Fall 1999, Fall 2000, Fall 2001, Fall 2002, and Fall 2003**



Note: Totals include duplicated headcount of students enrolled in more than one program.

**Full-Time and Part-Time Comparative College Enrollment Totals:** Fall unduplicated credit enrollment totaled 78,281. These data are summarized in Table 1.

**Table 1  
Full- and Part-Time Fall 2003 Credit Enrollments  
by Iowa Community College**

College Name	Full-Time		Part-Time		Total	
	Number	% Full-Time	Number	% Part-Time	Number	% of Total
Northeast Iowa	2,186	46.41%	2,524	53.59%	4,710	6.02%
North Iowa Area	1,793	63.22%	1,043	36.78%	2,836	3.62%
Iowa Lakes	1,472	49.18%	1,521	50.82%	2,993	3.82%
Northwest Iowa	533	49.40%	546	50.60%	1,079	1.38%
Iowa Central	2,520	48.81%	2,643	51.19%	5,163	6.60%
Iowa Valley	1,548	66.30%	787	33.70%	2,335	2.98%
Hawkeye	3,392	63.88%	1,918	36.12%	5,310	6.78%
Eastern Iowa	3,448	48.44%	3,670	51.56%	7,118	9.09%
Kirkwood	8,342	55.44%	6,705	44.56%	15,047	19.22%
Des Moines Area	6,002	43.75%	7,717	56.25%	13,719	17.53%
Western Iowa Tech	2,062	39.37%	3,176	60.63%	5,238	6.69%
Iowa Western	2,404	54.17%	2,034	45.83%	4,438	5.67%
Southwestern	727	53.65%	628	46.35%	1,355	1.73%
Indian Hills	2,655	70.18%	1,128	29.82%	3,783	4.83%
Southeastern	1,944	61.58%	1,213	38.42%	3,157	4.04%
<b>Total *</b>	<b>41,028</b>	<b>52.41%</b>	<b>37,253</b>	<b>47.59%</b>	<b>78,281</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

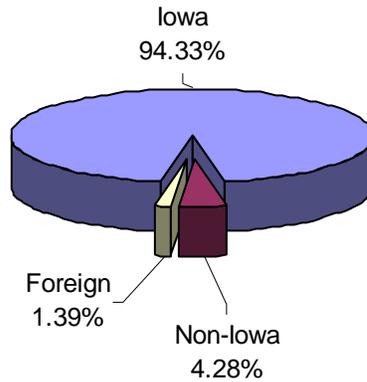
(12 credits hour/full-time, except Indian Hills 8 credit hours/full-time)

\*Totals and data related to Fall 2003 credit enrollment may differ in other reporting sections due to students enrolling in one or more program.

The ratio of full-time to part-time students is 52.41 percent to 47.59 percent; however, there are differences across the colleges. The percentage of full-time students ranges from a high of 70.18 percent to a low of 39.37 percent.

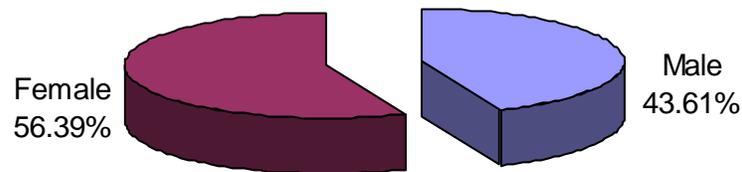
**Residency of Students:** Iowa's Community Colleges are noted for attracting and retaining Iowa residents. As Figure 2 indicates, 94.33 percent of Fall 2003 enrollees are Iowa residents.

**Figure 2**  
**Residency of Fall 2003 Credit Enrollees**



**Gender of Students:** Consistent with national trends in postsecondary education, the majority of community college students are female. (See Figure 3)

**Figure 3**  
**Gender of Fall 2003 Credit Enrollees**

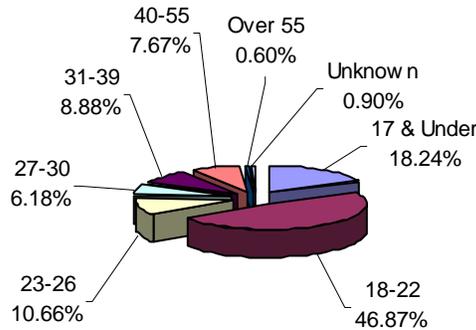


Note: The chart above does not include 15 individuals where gender was reported as unknown on the MIS System. If they were included the following would be the breakdown: 43.60% Male; 56.38% Female, and 0.02% unknown.

**Age of Students:** The average age of Iowa Community College students enrolled on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of the fall term is 23.57 years. Over sixty-five percent (65.11%) of the total credit enrollment is 22 years or less, with 18.24% percent 17 years of age or under. The age distribution is illustrated in Figure 4 and described in Table 2.

**Age Distribution of Fall 2003 Credit Enrollees**

**Figure 4**



**Table 2**

17 & Under	14,277	18.24%
18-22	36,693	46.87%
23-26	8,341	10.66%
27-30	4,836	6.18%
31-39	6,954	8.88%
40-55	6,003	7.67%
Over 55	472	0.60%
Unknown	705	0.90%
<b>Total Enrollees</b>	<b>78,281</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

**Ethnicity of Students:** As shown in Table 3 below, minority enrollments at Iowa’s Community Colleges comprise 8.95% of the total enrollees that reported ethnicity.

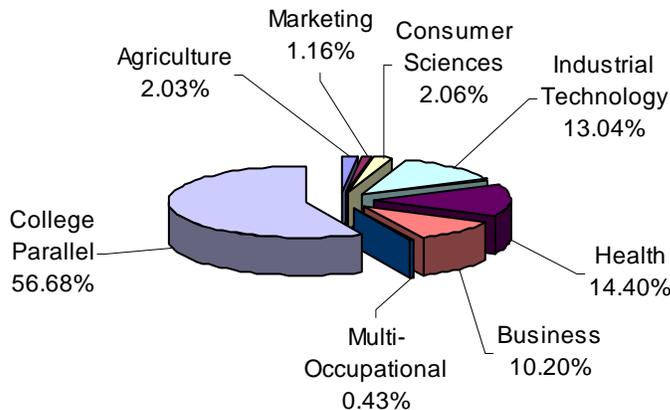
**Table 3—Ethnicity of Fall 2003 Credit Enrollees**

Ethnicity	Fall 2003		
	Number	% Reporting Ethnicity *	% of Total Students *
American Indian	531	0.74%	0.68%
Asian	1,287	1.80%	1.65%
Black	2,861	4.00%	3.65%
Hispanic	1,722	2.41%	2.20%
White	65,146	91.05%	83.22%
Total Reporting	71,547	100.00%	
No Response	6,622		8.46%
Other/Unknown	112		0.14%
Total Students	78,281		100.00%

\* Percentages for ethnic groups are calculated on the number of students reporting ethnicity. Percentages of “No Response” and “Other/Unknown” are based on the total number of students.

**Student Program Majors:** Approximately 57 percent of community college students are enrolled in College Parallel programs. The Health (14.40%) programs enroll the largest number of Career/Technical Preparatory students followed by Industrial Technology (13.04%) and Business (10.20%). These data are illustrated in Figure 5.

**Figure 5  
Program Major of Fall 2003 Credit Enrollees**



**Type of Program:** Community college students are enrolled in a variety of program types. Over half are enrolled in College Parallel programs. The remainder of the students are predominantly enrolled in Career/Technical Preparatory and College Parallel/Career Option programs (see Table 4).

**Table 4—Type of Program Pursued by Fall 2003 Credit Enrollees**

Program Type	Number	% of Total
College Parallel	44,430	56.66%
Career Preparatory	26,181	33.38%
College Parallel/Career Option	5,257	6.70%
Career Preparatory Part-time	834	1.06%
260G-ACE Program	825	1.05%
Career Preparatory: Shared	345	0.44%
Career Preparatory: Joint Admin.	329	0.42%
Career Preparatory Short Term	133	0.17%
Apprenticeship	89	0.11%
Vocational Supplementary	4	0.01%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>78,427</b>	

\* Total includes duplicated headcount of students enrolled in more than one program.

**Gender Distribution:** Career/Technical programs tend to have a slightly larger percentage of male students than College Parallel and College Parallel/Career Option programs, but still less than 50 percent of Fall 2003 enrollees.

**Table 5  
Gender Distribution in College Parallel, College Parallel/Career Option and  
Career/Technical Programs**

**Fall 2003 Credit Enrollees**

	Number of Males	% of Total	Number of Females	% of Total	Total
College Parallel	19,354	43.57%	25,069	56.43%	44,423
Coll Par/Career Opt*	2,266	43.10%	2,991	56.90%	5,257
Career/Technical	12,569	43.75%	16,163	56.25%	28,732
<b>Total</b>	<b>34,189</b>		<b>44,223</b>		<b>78,412**</b>

\* College Parallel/Career Option

\*\*Total includes duplicated headcount of students enrolled in more than one program (one individual is in two program types). Unknown gender reported on the MIS System totaled 15 individuals, making the grand total 74,427.

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