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Indiana Sees Increase in College Enrollment for Second Year

Statewide enrollment at public institutions increased by two percent from fall 2023

(INDIANAPOLIS) – Enrollment at Indiana’s public higher education institutions for the fall 2024 school year has seen the largest one-year increase since fall 2010. Exceeding two percent, the increase from the fall 2023 school year saw more students enrolling in both undergraduate and graduate programs.

This is now the second year in a row college enrollment in Indiana increased, reversing the previous 12-year decline. The [Indiana Commission for Higher Education](https://www.in.gov/che) today released data that show enrollment at statewide public institutions increased by over 5,000 students from fall 2023 including increases in both resident and non-resident enrollment.

“After a second consecutive year of increased enrollment, we are hopeful this is an indication that the declining trends will continue to reverse,” said Indiana Commissioner for Higher Education Chris Lowery. “The Commission has been bullish on our efforts aimed at increasing enrollment with strategic initiatives such as Indiana: Pre-Admissions, expanded financial aid support, and a focus on partnerships providing leading indicators that reflect potential contributions to that success. As much work remains, I remain pleased but not satisfied on this update.”

At the undergraduate level, enrollment improved over two percent from fall 2023 while graduate enrollment also increased by nearly one percent. Additionally, both four-year and two-year institutions experienced an increase in enrollment of at least two percent compared to the prior year. Four-year institution enrollment rates surpassed 190,000 students for the first time since 2020.

The full fall 2024 census enrollment summary can be found at https://www.in.gov/che/files/Fall_2024_Enrollment_Summary_Report.pdf.

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About the Indiana Commission for Higher Education

Created in 1971, the Indiana Commission for Higher Education plans, coordinates and defines Indiana’s postsecondary education system to align higher learning with the needs of students and the state. The Commission also administers Indiana’s financial aid programs, including the [21st Century Scholars](https://www.in.gov/che) early college promise scholarship, which celebrated 30 years in 2020.