

# HIGHER EDUCATION - Then and Now

## BY THE NUMBERS

A lot can happen in three decades. Following are some notable trends in college and university enrollments, finances, and degrees since the early 1980s.



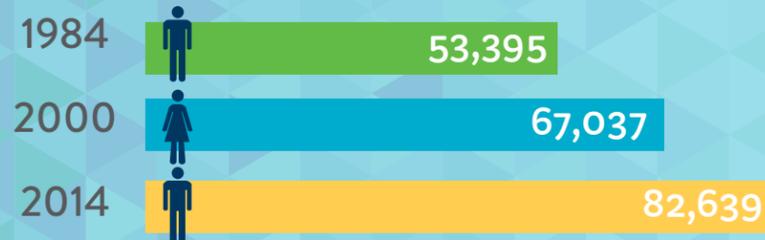
### Student Enrollment

Student enrollment has been increasing.

#### ALL UNDERGRADUATES ENROLLED



#### UNDERGRADUATES AGE 25 AND OLDER

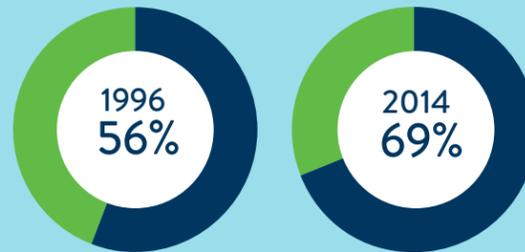


#### STUDENTS OF COLOR

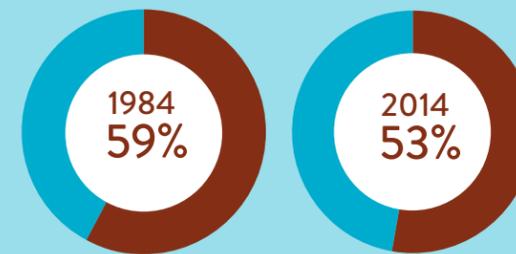


Source: Minnesota Office of Higher Education

### SHARE OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES ENTERING POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION IMMEDIATELY AFTER HIGH SCHOOL



### PERCENTAGE OF UNDERGRADUATES ENROLLED IN FOUR-YEAR VS TWO-YEAR COLLEGES



Source: SLEDS and Minnesota Office of Higher Education

### NUMBER OF BACHELOR DEGREES AWARDED



Source: U.S. Department of Education, IPEDS Completion Surveys

### College Prices and Financial Aid

As a percentage of total financial aid, student loans have grown from 41 percent in 1986-1987 to 45 percent in 2014-2015. Here are some other relevant numbers.

	1986-87	2015-16
AVERAGE TUITION FEES, AT FOUR-YEAR PRIVATE COLLEGES, FULL-TIME UNDERGRADUATES (CONSTANT DOLLARS) - PRIVATE	\$14,812	\$36,002

	1986-87	2015-16
AVERAGE TUITION FEES, AT FOUR-YEAR PUBLIC COLLEGES, FULL-TIME UNDERGRADUATES (CONSTANT DOLLARS) - PUBLIC	\$4,099	\$10,944



#### TOTAL FINANCIAL AID AWARDED TO COLLEGE UNDERGRADUATES (CONSTANT DOLLARS)

Year	Total Financial Aid
1986-87	\$465 Million
2014-15	\$3.05 Billion

#### INSTITUTIONALLY FUNDED FINANCIAL AID (CONSTANT DOLLARS)

Year	Institutionally Funded Financial Aid
1986-87	\$11 Million
2014-15	\$786 Billion

#### TOTAL LOANS

Year	Total Loans
1986-87	\$191 Million
2014-15	\$1.4 Billion

Source: Minnesota Office of Higher Education