# Examining Male Enrollment and Success in Higher Education 



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## 60x30TX - Completion Goal



By 2030, at least 550,000 students in that year
will complete a certificate, associate, bachelor's, or master's from an institution of higher education
in Texas

## We must accelerate progress to reach our male completion target



Benchmarks to Reach the Target

202020252030

Increase the number of male students completing a $168,000 \quad 215,000 \quad 275,000$ certificate or degree to at least...

## Males have lower direct enrollment from high school to college

- High School to higher education enrollment is relatively flat after two years of decline.
- White (-3.1\%), African American (-10.3\%) and Hispanic (-10.8\%) males have lower rates of direct from high school enrollment compared to the statewide average of 51.9\%


## $60 \times 30 \mathrm{TK}$

Female outcomes most noticeably outpace male outcomes after high school
$8^{\text {th }}$ Grade Cohort Analysis (2006-2016)


Female completion outpaces male completion for most race/ethnicity categories
Both white and
Hispanic females
completed in
higher numbers
than white males
in 2016.


## 60×30TK

## Other key indicators point to the need for addressing the gender gap

- Economically disadvantaged males have the lowest completion rates at 9.9\%
- Minority males make up a disproportionate percentage of the state's stop-outs from public universities making up $20 \%$ of the enrollment, but $26 \%$ of the stop-outs
- Males drop out at lower levels of student debt


## The Completion Goal aims for half of awards to be earned by male students



The 60X30TX Strategic Plan identifies male
students as a target population under its
Completion Goal. By 2030, male completion should reach at least $\mathbf{2 7 5 , 0 0 0}$ out of $\mathbf{5 5 0 , 0 0 0}$ total.

