Texas Higher
Education
Fall 2020
Preliminary
Headcount



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Preliminary headcount enrollment data are collected every fall

- Every fall for several decades, the Coordinating Board has collected preliminary enrollment counts
- This year, fall census date enrollments were collected from Texas institutions including: 2-year technical, state, and community colleges; 4-year public and independent universities; and public and private health-related institutions (HRIs)
- · Additional data were collected related to first-time-in-college (FTIC) enrollment
- Fall enrollment data will be certified in December 2020; final certified data will be available in January 2021

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Many thanks to the institutional partners who provided the preliminary data

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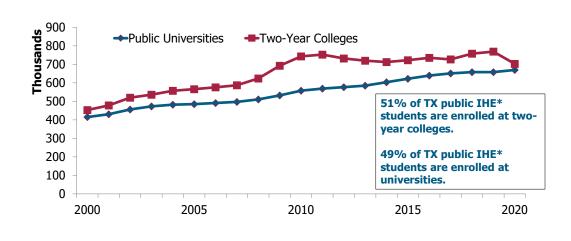
Preliminary enrollments were down 3% statewide in fall 2020 compared to fall 2019; Public university headcounts were 1.8% higher and public 2-year college headcounts were 7.8% lower

	Certified 2019 Enrollment	Preliminary Total for Fall 2020	% Change
Public Universities	657,985	670,104	1.84
Public Two-year Colleges	762,083	702,455	-7.82
Health-Related (all types)	29,735	30,616	2.96
Independent Colleges and Univ.	125,918	125,190	-0.58
Total	1,575,721	1,528,365	-3.01

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Enrollment trends since 2000 show more variability at twoyear colleges; university enrollments are steadier



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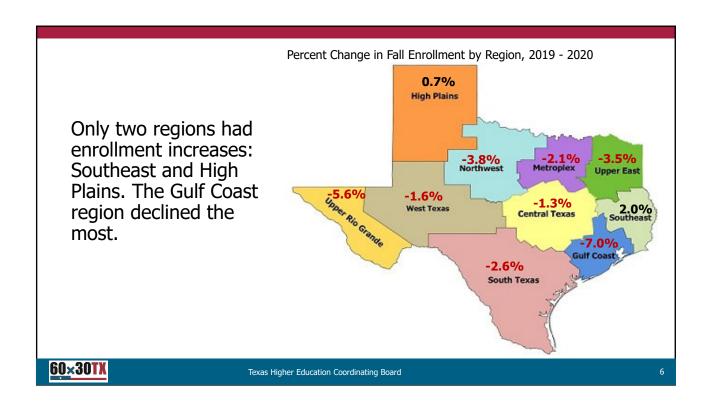
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Similar enrollment decreases were seen for all major demographic groups

	Certified 2019 Enrollment	Preliminary Total for Fall 2020	% Change
White	536,583	520,124	-3.07
Hispanic	623,586	604,168	-3.11
African American	174,649	170,261	-2.51
Other Groups	240,903	233,812	-2.94
Total	1,575,721	1,528,365	-3.01

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The drops by region were almost entirely due to decreases in the two-year sector

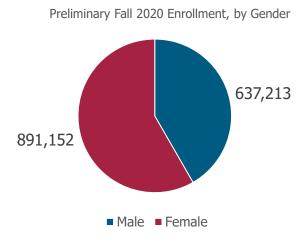
PUBLIC COMMUNITY, STATE, & TECHNICAL COLLEGES						
REGIONS	Certified Fall 2019	Preliminary Fall 2020	Change	Percent Change		
Central	89,511	84,558	(4,953)	-5.5		
Gulf Coast	190,792	166,417	(24,375)	-12.8		
High Plains	22,016	20,683	(1,333)	-6.1		
Metroplex	198,912	187,896	(11,016)	-5.5		
Northwest	12,783	12,210	(573)	-4.5		
South Texas	150,762	139,451	(11,311)	-7.5		
Southeast	13,680	13,712	32	0.2		
Upper East	39,200	37,006	(2,194)	-5.6		
Upper Rio Grande	28,124	25,357	(2,767)	-9.8		
West	16,303	15,165	(1,138)	-7.0		
TOTALS	762,083	702,455	(59,628)	-7.8		

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The percent of male enrollment decreased 1 percentage point since fall 2019 and is at 42% of total headcount enrollment



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Institutional enrollment patterns varied considerably

Large variations were observed across sectors:

- · For public universities:
 - · Most universities were up from 2019 counts or holding steady
 - · Some smaller regional universities had lower enrollments
 - The range of percent change from last fall was -22% to +12%
 - Overall, the independent colleges of Texas had relatively flat enrollments (- 0.6%)
- For two-year colleges:
 - Only 10% of the 50 community college districts showed increases; this matches national estimates for this sector
 - The range in Texas was -49% to +6.4%
 - TSTC enrollments are up, after large drops this summer; LIT also saw increases for fall 2020

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More information on preliminary enrollments

- Additional insight will be provided when certified data are available in January
- Details on the fall preliminary enrollment data shared today will be available next week on the Coordinating Board's data website at www.txhighereddata.org
- Questions?

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