

Joint Enrollment in Iowa

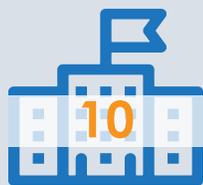
A snapshot of high school students enrolled in Iowa community college coursework

Each year, tens of thousands of Iowa high school students enroll in community college credit coursework. Most jointly enrolled students enroll through Senior Year Plus programs such as Postsecondary Enrollment Options (PSEO) and concurrent enrollment. Other students enroll independently as tuition-paying students or enroll in courses delivered through contractual agreements that do not meet the definition of concurrent enrollment.

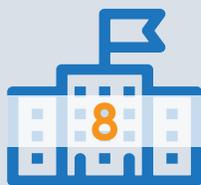
Growth



Enrollment increased from 50,587 students last year to 51,800 this year, a **2.4 percent increase**.



Ten of 15 community colleges experienced increased enrollments.

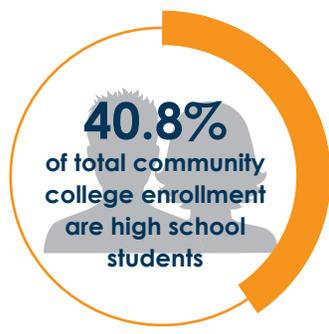


Eight community colleges experienced an increase in the number of credits taken by high school students.

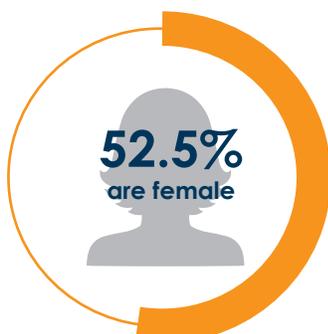


Average annual growth over the last five years is **2.0 percent**.

Demographics



High school students participating in joint enrollment programs equated to **40.8%** of total community college enrollment. **44.9%** of joint enrollment participants were high school seniors, and **34.2%** were juniors.



52.5% of participants in joint enrollment programs were female compared to **55.8%** for total credit student enrollment.



16.4% of participants in joint enrollment programs reported a racial or ethnic minority background compared to **23.3%** of total credit student enrollment.

Areas of Study

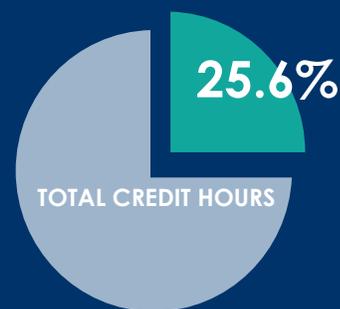


The most common subject areas in which students jointly enrolled were **English, social science and history, mathematics, healthcare and life and physical sciences**.

Of courses taken, **36.2 percent** were classified as CTE (0.6% increase from AY19) and **63.8 percent** were classified as arts and sciences (0.6% decrease from AY19).

JUST THE FACTS ON JOINT ENROLLMENT IN IOWA

Joint enrollment programs account for **25.6 percent** of total credit hours.



Jointly enrolled students earned **216 associate degrees, 49 diplomas and 642 certificates** simultaneously with their high school diplomas.

Associate degrees 216

Diplomas 49

Certificates 642

Among high school students, **97.3 percent** participated in joint enrollment courses delivered through a contractual agreement between a community college and school district. PSEO and tuition-paid courses accounted for the remaining **2.7 percent** of total joint enrollment.

