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ABSTRACT

Each fall, Illinois community colleges report their preliminary fall enrollment figures to the Illinois Community College Board. Data from the 49 community colleges for fall 1996 indicate that the number of students enrolled in credit courses as of the end of registration for the term was 338,122, an increase of 406 students (.1%) from fall 1995, while total full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment was 179,051, an increase of 1,611 (.9%) from 1995. Of the 49 community colleges, 18 colleges experienced increases in headcount, while 23 exhibited decreases during the past year and 8 experienced little or no change. Sixteen colleges reported increases in FTE enrollment, while 23 reported decreases and 10 colleges indicated little or no change. The report includes tables providing a summary of opening fall enrollments from 1992 to 1996, including headcount and FTE figures; a comparison of fall 1992-95 opening headcount enrollments to fall 1996 preliminary opening enrollments for each college; and a comparison of fall 1992-95 opening FTE enrollments with fall 1996 preliminary opening FTE enrollments for each college. (HAA)

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FALL 1996 ENROLLMENT SURVEY REPORT

BACKGROUND

Fall opening enrollment (E1) data for credit-generating students are recorded by the colleges at the end of the regular fall registration period, which is usually the 10th day. Historically, these data have provided a "snapshot" of fall term enrollment for year-to-year and institution-to-institution comparisons and are used for comparison to fall enrollment data in postsecondary institutions nationwide. However, the diversities of the community college system and its students are not fully captured in these opening enrollment data. The expansion in module and late-starting classes along with the colleges' efforts to provide flexibility in scheduling from year to year increases the difficulty in reporting and comparing fall data. Enrollment trend data are best captured through the use of annual enrollment data.

Based on preliminary counts, both headcount and FTE increased slightly for fall 1996. The number of students enrolled in credit courses at community colleges as of the end of registration for fall term 1996 was 338,122, an increase of 406 students (+0.1%) from the fall term of 1995. The total fall 1996 FTE enrollment was 179,051, an increase of 1,611 (+0.9%) from 1995. Preliminary counts are based on the Fall Enrollment Survey and are subject to verification upon receipt of fall enrollment (E1) data.

Table 1 contains comparative fall tenth-day enrollments for the last five years. This is the first year the Illinois Community College System has experienced a growth in headcount enrollments in the five-year period. Enrollments had peaked in fall 1991. FTE enrollments mirror this trend, peaking in fall 1992, but have increased more than headcounts in the past year.

Table 1

SUMMARY OF OPENING FALL ENROLLMENTS IN ILLINOIS PUBLIC COMMUNITY COLLEGES FROM 1992 TO 1996

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Headcount	367,603	354,717	346,979	337,716	338,122
Percent Change	-0.2%	-3.5%	-2.2%	-2.7%	+0.1%
FTE	192,540	186,508	180,834	177,440	179,051
Percent Change	+1.0%	-3.1%	-3.0%	-1.9%	+0.9%

Figure 1 illustrates a comparison of headcount and FTE trends from 1992-1996.

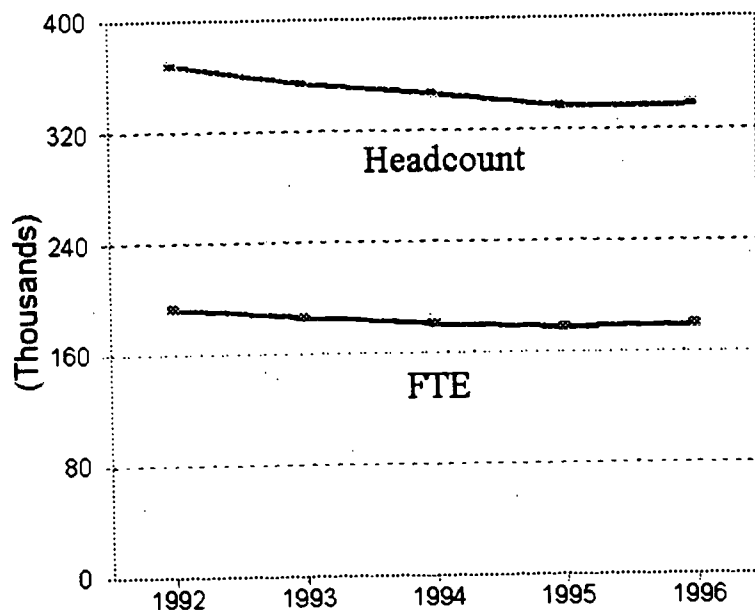


Figure 1. Opening Fall Headcount and FTE Enrollment, 1992-1996

Table 2 provides a comparison of fall 1992 through fall 1996 headcount enrollments for each community college. Of the 49 community colleges, eighteen colleges experienced increases in headcount, while 23 exhibited decreases during the past year. Eight colleges experienced little or no change (less than one percent) over the last year. Table 3 contains a comparison of FTE enrollments for the five-year period. FTE increases were reported by sixteen colleges, decreases by 23, and ten colleges indicated little or no change.

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Table 2

COMPARISON OF FINAL FALL 1992 - 1995 OPENING HEADCOUNT ENROLLMENTS
WITH FALL 1996 PRELIMINARY OPENING ENROLLMENTS

Dist. No.	District/College	Fall 1992 Headcount	Fall 1993 Headcount	Fall 1994 Headcount	Fall 1995 Headcount	Fall 1996 Headcount	% Change 1992-1996	% Change 1995-1996	% Change 1995-1996
522	Belleville	15,440	14,624	14,314	13,923	12,804	-17.1	-8.0	-8.0
503	Black Hawk	7,503	6,721	6,943	6,354	6,390	-14.8	0.6	0.6
508	Chicago	(77,233)	(73,904)	(71,598)	(68,233)	(69,189)	(-10.4)	(1.4)	(1.4)
09	City-Wide	5,411	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
06	Daley	8,439	8,072	8,992	8,835	9,445	11.9	6.9	6.9
01	Kennedy-King	9,166	8,571	6,042	7,071	6,644	-27.5	-6.0	-6.0
03	Malcolm X	13,409	11,805	11,077	9,637	9,172	-31.6	-4.8	-4.8
05	Olive-Harvey	8,180	6,655	6,102	6,110	6,887	-15.8	12.7	12.7
04	Truman	14,551	15,566	15,675	14,883	15,644	7.5	5.1	5.1
02	Washington	7,839	11,235	12,028	9,741	9,104	16.1	-6.5	-6.5
07	Wilbur-Wright	10,238	12,000	11,682	11,956	12,293	20.1	2.8	2.8
507	Danville	3,340	3,182	2,857	2,716	2,662	-20.3	-2.0	-2.0
502	DuPage	31,625	31,132	30,237	29,888	29,698	-6.1	-0.6	-0.6
509	Elgin	9,035	9,126	9,175	8,589	9,104	0.8	6.0	6.0
512	Harper	17,610	16,212	15,560	15,106	15,041	-14.6	-0.4	-0.4
540	Heartland	1959	2349	2,779	3,072	3,343	70.6	8.8	8.8
519	Highland	3,181	2,614	2,678	2,662	2,536	-20.3	-4.7	-4.7
514	Illinois Central	13,056	12,297	11,696	11,839	11,928	-8.6	0.8	0.8
529	Illinois Eastern	(7,104)	(6,780)	(6,818)	(6,540)	(6,107)	(-14.0)	(-6.6)	(-6.6)
04	Frontier	1,907	1,890	2,093	1,904	2,302	20.7	20.9	20.9
01	Lincoln Trail	1,085	1,152	1,114	1,127	1,216	12.1	7.9	7.9
02	Olny Central	1,550	1,481	1,536	1,486	1,128	-27.2	-24.1	-24.1
03	Wabash Valley	2,562	2,257	2,075	2,023	1,461	-43.0	-27.8	-27.8
513	Illinois Valley	4,274	4,174	3,971	3,947	3,902	-8.7	-1.1	-1.1
525	Joliet	10,427	10,336	10,369	10,248	10,414	-0.1	1.6	1.6
520	Kankakee	4,025	3,888	3,853	3,924	3,818	-5.1	-2.7	-2.7
501	Kaskaskia	3,322	3,379	3,247	2,916	2,996	-9.8	2.7	2.7
523	Kishwaukee	3,270	3,243	3,244	3,268	3,054	-6.6	-6.5	-6.5
532	Lake County	14,389	14,162	13,755	13,510	13,453	-6.5	-0.4	-0.4
517	Lake Land	4,543	4,763	4,831	4,734	4,710	3.7	-0.5	-0.5
536	Lewis & Clark	5,853	5,441	5,534	5,303	5,408	-7.6	-0.5	-0.5

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Table 2

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COMPARISON OF FINAL FALL 1992 - 1995 OPENING HEADCOUNT ENROLLMENTS
WITH FALL 1996 PRELIMINARY OPENING ENROLLMENTS

Dist. No.	District/College	Fall 1992 Headcount	Fall 1993 Headcount	Fall 1994 Headcount	Fall 1995 Headcount	Fall 1996 Headcount	% Change 1992 - 1996	% Change 1995 - 1996
526	Lincoln Land	8,708	7,943	8,220	8,609	7,104	-18.4	-17.5
530	Logan	5,542	5,440	5,469	5,432	5,738	3.5	5.6
528	McHenry	4,671	4,797	4,841	4,933	4,809	3.0	-2.5
541	Metropolitan*	1,268	1,255	982	886	1,028	-18.9	16.0
524	Moraine Valley	14,074	13,826	13,273	12,813	13,234	-6.0	3.3
527	Morton	4,349	4,214	3,977	3,760	4,402	1.2	17.1
535	Oakton	13,349	12,796	11,634	12,074	11,573	-13.3	-4.1
505	Parkland	9,343	8,869	8,463	8,403	8,074	-13.6	-3.9
515	Prairie State	5,785	5,368	5,305	5,191	5,559	-3.9	7.1
521	Rend Lake	2,966	3,092	3,551	3,438	3,253	9.7	-5.4
537	Richland	4,110	3,950	3,801	3,384	3,388	-17.6	0.1
511	Rock Valley	8,618	9,113	8,905	8,228	7,990	-7.3	-2.9
518	Sandburg	2,569	2,591	2,541	2,765	2,691	4.7	-2.7
506	Sauk Valley	2,912	2,790	2,646	2,724	2,706	-7.1	-0.7
531	Shawnee	1,943	2,021	2,182	2,119	2,075	6.8	-2.1
510	South Suburban	9,369	9,107	8,997	7,648	7,323	-21.8	-4.2
533	Southeastern	2,802	2,925	2,648	2,643	2,322	-17.1	-12.1
534	Spoon River	2,189	2,077	1,860	1,950	1,922	-12.2	-1.4
504	Triton	16,804	15,308	15,485	15,362	17,577	4.6	14.4
516	Waubonsee	6,750	6,768	6,797	6,552	6,787	0.5	3.6
539	Wood	2,293	2,140	1,943	2,030	2,010	-12.3	-1.0
TOTALS/AVERAGES		367,603	354,717	346,979	337,716	338,122	-8.0	0.1 %

* Formerly State Community College of East St. Louis
SOURCE OF DATA: Fall Enrollment Surveys



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Table 3

COMPARISON OF FINAL FALL 1992 - 1995 OPENING FTE ENROLLMENTS
WITH FALL 1996 PRELIMINARY OPENING FTE ENROLLMENTS

Dist. No.	District/College	Fall 1992 FTE	Fall 1993 FTE	Fall 1994 FTE	Fall 1995 FTE	Fall 1996 FTE	% Change 1992-1996	% Change 1995-1996
522	Belleville	7,375	7,130	6,947	6,818	6,512	-11.7	-4.5
503	Black Hawk	4,320	4,134	4,209	3,906	4,013	-7.1	2.7
508	Chicago	(44,535)	(41,819)	(39,058)	(37,655)	(38,955)	(-12.5)	(3.5)
09	City-Wide	2,036	--	--	--	--	--	--
06	Daley	4,332	4,086	4,383	4,221	4,431	2.3	5.0
01	Kennedy-King	6,342	5,413	3,785	4,354	4,071	-35.8	-6.5
03	Malcolm X	8,796	7,962	6,441	6,167	6,138	-30.2	-0.5
05	Olive-Harvey	5,280	4,381	4,076	4,080	4,542	-14.0	11.3
04	Truman	8,460	9,288	9,053	8,389	8,882	5.0	5.9
02	Washington	3,919	5,243	5,451	4,385	4,003	2.2	-8.7
07	Wilbur-Wright	5,370	5,446	5,869	6,059	6,887	28.3	13.7
507	Danville	2,096	2,022	1,836	1,762	1,727	-17.6	-2.0
502	DuPage	16,251	16,091	15,829	15,573	15,480	-4.7	-0.6
509	Elgin	4,246	4,320	4,349	4,182	4,455	4.9	6.5
512	Harper	8,213	7,997	7,780	7,523	7,582	-7.7	0.8
540	Heartland	1,149	1,181	1,403	1,614	1,749	52.2	8.3
519	Highland	1,665	1,508	1,433	1,355	1,352	-18.8	-0.2
514	Illinois Central	6,669	6,487	6,208	6,141	6,145	-7.9	0.1
529	Illinois Eastern	(3,643)	(3,419)	(3,473)	(3,278)	(3,277)	(-10.1)	(0.0)
04	Frontier	619	555	577	491	612	-1.1	24.6
01	Lincoln Trail	796	766	751	725	835	4.9	15.2
02	Olney Central	1,174	1,172	1,164	1,090	874	-25.6	-19.8
03	Wabash Valley	1,054	926	981	972	956	-9.3	-1.6
513	Illinois Valley	2,514	2,439	2,268	2,221	2,248	-10.6	1.2
525	Joliet	5,442	5,379	5,468	5,453	5,535	1.7	1.5
520	Kankakee	2,025	1,957	1,971	1,985	1,932	-4.6	-2.7
501	Kaskaskia	2,216	2,237	2,143	1,952	1,953	-11.9	0.1
523	Kishwaukee	1,857	1,851	1,839	1,903	1,826	-1.7	-4.0
532	Lake County	5,924	5,847	5,796	5,837	5,868	-0.9	0.5
517	Lake Land	2,979	3,030	2,930	2,970	3,052	2.4	2.7
536	Lewis & Clark	3,033	2,782	2,792	2,726	2,836	-6.5	4.0

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COMPARISON OF FINAL FALL 1992 - 1995 OPENING FTE ENROLLMENTS
WITH FALL 1996 PRELIMINARY OPENING FTE ENROLLMENTS

Dist. No.	District/College	Fall 1992 FTE	Fall 1993 FTE	Fall 1994 FTE	Fall 1995 FTE	Fall 1996 FTE	% Change 1992-1996	% Change 1995-1996
526	Lincoln Land	4,099	3,939	3,991	4,046	3,902	-4.8	-3.6
530	Logan	3,642	3,585	3,596	3,566	3,663	0.6	2.7
528	McHenry	2,091	2,145	2,234	2,326	2,321	11.0	-0.2
541	Metropolitan*	858	821	664	564	583	-32.1	3.4
524	Moraine Valley	7,576	7,371	7,186	7,078	7,195	-5.0	1.6
527	Morton	1,802	1,810	1,709	1,576	1,736	-3.7	10.2
535	Oakton	5,585	5,544	5,293	5,636	5,327	-4.6	-5.5
505	Parkland	5,473	5,287	5,105	5,001	4,987	-8.9	-0.3
515	Prairie State	2,765	2,601	2,559	2,525	2,664	-3.7	5.5
521	Rend Lake	1,864	1,961	2,013	2,010	1,946	4.4	-3.2
537	Richland	2,138	2,059	1,881	1,695	1,770	-17.2	4.4
511	Rock Valley	4,291	4,320	4,157	3,955	3,815	-11.1	-3.5
518	Sandburg	1,547	1,530	1,460	1,591	1,535	-0.8	-3.5
506	Sauk Valley	1,702	1,611	1,496	1,500	1,465	-13.9	-2.3
531	Shawnee	1,262	1,375	1,346	1,334	1,349	6.9	1.1
510	South Suburban	4,234	4,270	4,217	3,631	3,615	-14.6	-0.4
533	Southeastern	1,785	1,842	1,751	1,688	1,524	-14.6	-9.7
534	Spoon River	1,328	1,268	1,143	1,177	1,145	-13.8	-2.7
504	Triton	8,292	7,421	7,324	7,717	7,949	-4.1	3.0
516	Waubonsee	2,860	2,957	2,948	2,855	2,923	2.2	2.4
539	Wood	1,194	1,161	1,029	1,115	1,142	-4.4	2.4
TOTALS/AVERAGES		192,540	186,508	180,834	177,440	179,051	-7.0	0.9 %

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