Fiscal Year 2019 Spring Enrollment

March 2019

Headcount and Full-time Equivalent (FTE) Both Decline But At A Slower Rate Than Previous Years

Community colleges report opening spring term enrollment figures to the Illinois Community College Board using a brief web based survey. These figures reflect student enrollments as of the end of registration for the Spring 2019 semester—usually the 10th day of the term.

Overall, compared to the same term one year ago, statewide Spring 2019 headcount enrollments and full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollments both decreased. The Spring 2019 semester headcount was 283,008 compared to 289,611 last year (a headcount decrease of 6,603 or -2.3 percent). The latest FTE count was 154,717 compared with 160,396 a year ago (an FTE decrease of 5,679 or -3.5 percent). FTE figures reflect the total number of credit hours being taken by students divided by 15—the number of semester hours traditionally considered a full-time class load.

Table 1 contains comparative statewide spring tenth-day enrollments for the last five years. Figure 1 on the next page illustrates a comparison of headcount and FTE trends from 2015-2019.

Table 1
SUMMARY OF OPENING SPRING ENROLLMENTS IN ILLINOIS PUBLIC COMMUNITY COLLEGES FROM 2015 TO 2019

	Spring 2015	Spring 2016	Spring 2017	Spring 2018	Spring 2019
Headcount	330,010 *	318,524	302,741	289,611	283,008
Percent Change	-3.4%	-3.5%	-5.0%	-4.3%	-2.3%
FTE	184,036 *	175,859	167,294	160,396	154,717
Percent Change	-4.4%	-4.4%	-4.9%	-4.1%	-3.5%

* Adjusted Total

It should be noted that despite the continued enrollment decreases statewide, most Illinois community colleges continue to produce an elevated number of graduates annually. With 64,671 earned collegiate-level degrees and certificates, fiscal year 2018 had the sixth highest annual number of statewide graduates recorded from the Illinois Community College System. For detailed student graduate data by community college see the ICCB Data Book (Section III).

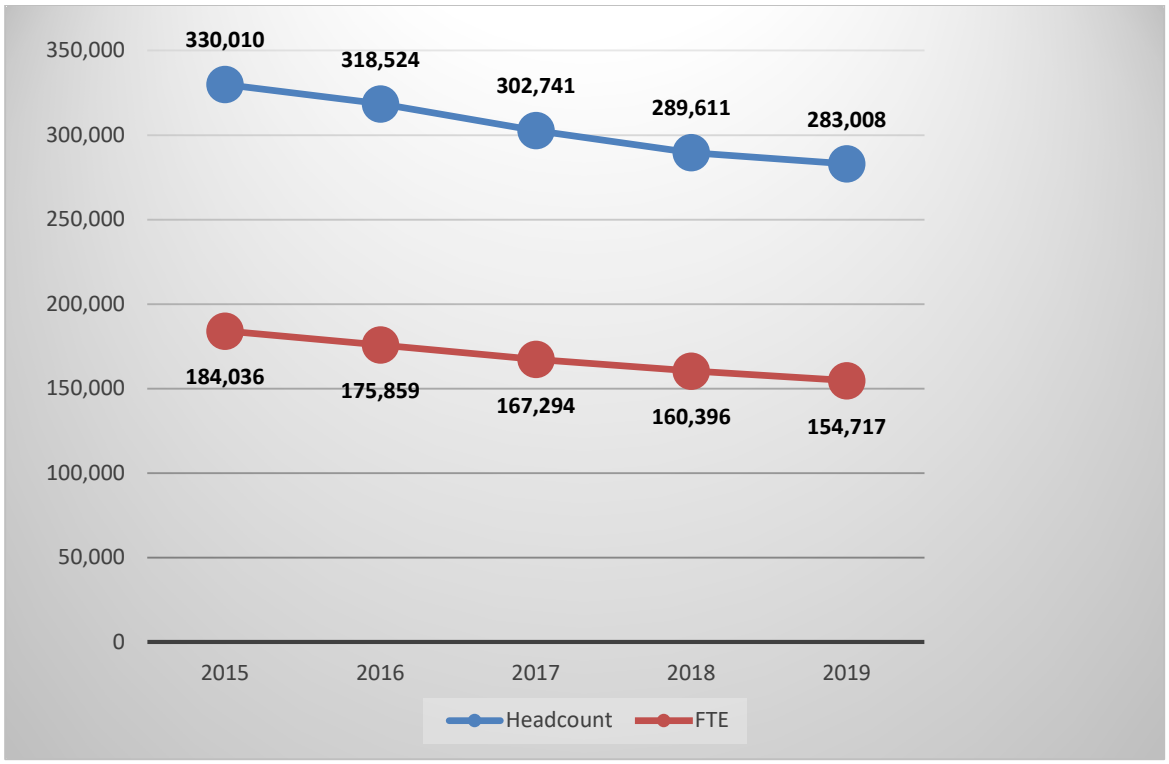

Figure 1. Opening Spring Enrollment Trends in Illinois Public Community Colleges from 2015 to 2019

Table 2 provides a comparison of fiscal year 2015 through fiscal year 2019 spring headcount enrollments for each community college. Among the 48 community colleges, since last year headcount increases were reported at ten colleges (1.0 percent or higher). Thirty-one colleges saw decreases (1.0 percent or more) compared to last year. Seven colleges reported little or no change (less than 1.0 percent) versus last year. Longer-term, statewide headcount enrollments were down 14.2 percent compared to Spring 2015.

Table 3 contains a comparison of full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollments for the same five-year period. Compared to last year, Spring 2019 FTE increases were reported by only five colleges and decreases by 36 colleges, and seven colleges indicated little or no change. Longer term, statewide FTE enrollments were down 15.9 percent compared to Spring 2015.

Table 4 provides fiscal year 2015 through fiscal year 2019 spring opening enrollments in internet-based courses at each community college. Spring enrollments in online courses have been steady across the most recent five years, increasing in the last two years. At the beginning of the Spring 2019 semester, there were 110,716 enrollments (duplicated) in internet courses compared to 109,656 in Spring 2018 (an increase of 1.0 percent) and 103,534 in Spring 2015 (an increase of 6.9 percent). Compared to last year, Spring 2019 duplicated internet enrollments increased at 26 colleges, decreased at 13 colleges, and had little or no change at nine colleges.

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Table 2
SUMMARY COMPARISON OF SPRING HEADCOUNT ENROLLMENTS
BY COLLEGE, FISCAL YEARS 2015-2019

Dist. No.	College Name	Spring FY 2015 Headcount	Spring FY 2016 Headcount	Spring FY 2017 Headcount	Spring FY 2018 Headcount	Spring FY 2019 Headcount	Spring % Change 2015-2019	Spring % Change 2018-2019
503	Black Hawk	6,087	5,838	5,605	5,200	4,777	-21.5 %	-8.1 %
518	Carl Sandburg	2,024	1,818	1,776	1,811	1,799	-11.1	-0.7
508	City Colleges of Chicago	(53,906)	(49,973)	(44,738)	(43,511)	(42,320)	(-21.5)	(-2.7)
02	Harold Washington	9,029	8,913	7,879	7,686	7,710	-14.6	0.3
04	Harry S Truman	10,089	9,611	8,486	7,629	6,999	-30.6	-8.3
01	Kennedy-King	4,743	3,765	3,112	2,902	2,709	-42.9	-6.7
03	Malcolm X	5,782	5,537	5,784	6,183	6,708	16.0	8.5
05	Olive-Harvey	4,137	3,361	2,682	2,550	2,432	-41.2	-4.6
06	Richard J. Daley	8,804	8,401	7,283	6,458	6,395	-27.4	-1.0
07	Wilbur Wright	11,322	10,385	9,512	10,103	9,367	-17.3	-7.3
502	College of DuPage	29,108	29,040	28,360	26,972	26,026	-10.6	-3.5
532	College of Lake County	16,086	15,405	15,366	15,084	14,455	-10.1	-4.2
507	Danville Area	2,687	2,872	3,012	2,789	2,727	1.5	-2.2
509	Elgin	10,638	10,215	9,689	9,480	9,137	-14.1	-3.6
512	Harper	14,760	15,669	15,994	15,281	15,396	4.3	0.8
540	Heartland	4,881 *	4,893	4,899	5,029	4,913	0.7	-2.3
519	Highland	2,218	2,458	2,102	2,084	1,861	-16.1	-10.7
514	Illinois Central	9,444	9,096	8,873	8,323	8,263	-12.5	-0.7
529	Illinois Eastern	(9,542)	(9,661)	(8,183)	(7,509)	(7,654)	(-19.8)	(1.9)
04	Frontier	1,637	1,999	1,787	1,566	1,584	-3.2	1.1
01	Lincoln Trail	976	1,060	939	989	911	-6.7	-7.9
02	Olney Central	1,629	1,562	1,528	1,399	1,330	-18.4	-4.9
03	Wabash Valley	5,300	5,040	3,929	3,555	3,829	-27.8	7.7
513	Illinois Valley	3,360	3,150	3,186	3,022	2,687	-20.0	-11.1
530	John A. Logan	5,825	5,264	5,116	4,112	3,909	-32.9	-4.9
539	John Wood	1,851	2,002	1,825	1,825	1,849	-0.1	1.3
525	Joliet Junior	15,888	14,442	14,453	14,912	14,621	-8.0	-2.0
520	Kankakee	3,020 *	2,846	2,940	3,045	2,767	-8.4	-9.1
501	Kaskaskia	5,361	4,628	4,045	3,327	3,584	-33.1	7.7
523	Kishwaukee	3,686	3,355	3,130	2,930	2,814	-23.7	-4.0
517	Lake Land	5,824	5,629	5,369	4,684	5,011	-14.0	7.0
536	Lewis and Clark	7,612	7,686	7,026	6,402	6,301	-17.2	-1.6
526	Lincoln Land	6,806	6,302	6,110	6,197	5,896	-13.4	-4.9
528	McHenry County	6,743	6,743	6,489	6,905	7,085	5.1	2.6
524	Moraine Valley	15,293	15,645	15,243	14,469	13,915	-9.0	-3.8
527	Morton	4,752	4,441	4,201	4,007	3,941	-17.1	-1.6
535	Oakton	10,747	9,934	9,422	8,643	9,526	-11.4	10.2
505	Parkland	7,807	7,394	7,110	6,835	6,529	-16.4	-4.5
515	Prairie State	4,584 ***	4,542	4,296	3,885	3,555	-22.4	-8.5
521	Rend Lake	3,230	2,912	2,412	2,476	2,527	-21.8	2.1
537	Richland	3,187	3,081	2,940	2,520	2,495	-21.7	-1.0
511	Rock Valley	7,400	7,022	7,134	6,385	6,225	-15.9	-2.5
506	Sauk Valley	2,276	2,138	1,808	1,700	1,783	-21.7	4.9
531	Shawnee	1,800	1,679	1,694	1,473	1,228	-31.8	-16.6
510	South Suburban	5,191	5,086	4,623	4,313	4,180	-19.5	-3.1
533	Southeastern Illinois	1,952	1,883	1,783	1,621	1,609	-17.6	-0.7
522	Southwestern Illinois	11,327	10,812	9,529	8,935	8,455	-25.4	-5.4
534	Spoon River	1,658	1,526	1,382	1,442	1,227	-26.0	-14.9
504	Triton	11,350	11,013	11,040	11,174	10,931	-3.7	-2.2
516	Waubonsee	10,099	10,431	9,838	9,299	9,030	-10.6 %	-2.9 %
	Totals	330,010 *	318,524	302,741	289,611	283,008	-14.2 %	-2.3 %

* Colleges Provided Revised Figure
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SOURCE OF DATA: Spring Semester Enrollment Surveys

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Table 3
SUMMARY COMPARISON OF SPRING FTE ENROLLMENTS
BY COLLEGE, FISCAL YEARS 2015-2019

Dist. No.	College Name	Spring FY 2015 FTE	Spring FY 2016 FTE	Spring FY 2017 FTE	Spring FY 2018 FTE	Spring FY 2019 FTE	Spring % Change 2015-2019	Spring % Change 2018-2019
503	Black Hawk	3,154	2,851	2,687	2,527	2,335	-26.0 %	-7.6 %
518	Carl Sandburg	1,232	1,159	1,143	1,118	1,098	-10.9	-1.8
508	City Colleges of Chicago	(32,396)	(29,756)	(26,944)	(26,039)	(24,835)	(-23.3)	(-4.6)
02	Harold Washington	6,235	6,161	5,392	5,258	5,005	-19.7	-4.8
04	Harry S Truman	5,474	5,159	4,515	4,087	3,691	-32.6	-9.7
01	Kennedy-King	3,016	2,415	1,968	1,760	1,636	-45.8	-7.0
03	Malcolm X	3,552	3,385	3,592	3,759	3,955	11.3	5.2
05	Olive-Harvey	2,394	1,872	1,520	1,396	1,385	-42.1	-0.8
06	Richard J. Daley	5,311	4,816	4,415	3,986	3,848	-27.5	-3.5
07	Wilbur Wright	6,414	5,948	5,542	5,793	5,315	-17.1	-8.3
502	College of DuPage	15,952	15,640	14,971	14,161	13,426	-15.8	-5.2
532	College of Lake County	8,365	8,082	8,114	7,973	7,747	-7.4	-2.8
507	Danville Area	1,511	1,504	1,508	1,429	1,315	-13.0	-8.0
509	Elgin	6,003	5,778	5,462	5,414	5,207	-13.3	-3.8
512	Harper	8,093	8,124	8,091	7,983	7,831	-3.2	-1.9
540	Heartland	2,898 *	2,955	2,946	2,899	2,762	-4.7	-4.7
519	Highland	1,274	1,296	1,206	1,142	1,048	-17.8	-8.3
514	Illinois Central	5,282	5,097	4,934	4,653	4,494	-14.9	-3.4
529	Illinois Eastern	(3,146)	(3,268)	(2,967)	(2,890)	(2,752)	(-12.5)	(-4.8)
04	Frontier	477	567	614	669	574	20.4	-14.2
01	Lincoln Trail	575	593	543	543	540	-6.2	-0.6
02	Olney Central	948	890	832	796	773	-18.5	-2.9
03	Wabash Valley	1,146	1,218	978	883	866	-24.5	-1.9
513	Illinois Valley	1,997	1,838	1,800	1,665	1,544	-22.7	-7.3
530	John A. Logan	3,022	2,789	2,591	2,487	2,346	-22.4	-5.7
539	John Wood	1,218	1,275	1,213	1,197	1,194	-1.9	-0.2
525	Joliet Junior	8,663	8,050	7,800	7,947	7,694	-11.2	-3.2
520	Kankakee	1,881 *	1,708	1,657	1,616	1,550	-17.6	-4.1
501	Kaskaskia	2,988	2,654	2,326	1,962	2,089	-30.1	6.5
523	Kishwaukee	2,340	2,144	2,007	1,858	1,726	-26.3	-7.1
517	Lake Land	3,430	3,258	3,205	3,089	2,978	-13.2	-3.6
536	Lewis and Clark	3,994	3,743	3,536	3,246	3,189	-20.1	-1.7
526	Lincoln Land	4,026	3,704	3,523	3,528	3,397	-15.6	-3.7
528	McHenry County	3,874	3,679	3,427	3,611	3,667	-5.3	1.6
524	Moraine Valley	9,066	9,056	8,752	8,187	7,822	-13.7	-4.5
527	Morton	2,609	2,477	2,293	2,241	2,170	-16.8	-3.2
535	Oakton	5,677	5,195	4,883	4,621	4,724	-16.8	2.2
505	Parkland	4,738	4,524	4,301	4,145	3,968	-16.3	-4.3
515	Prairie State	2,743 ***	2,585	2,471	2,296	2,124	-22.6	-7.5
521	Rend Lake	1,630	1,731	1,674	1,647	1,648	1.1	0.1
537	Richland	1,663	1,657	1,531	1,383	1,398	-15.9	1.1
511	Rock Valley	4,549	4,421	4,554	4,079	3,957	-13.0	-3.0
506	Sauk Valley	1,324	1,239	1,068	999	997	-24.7	-0.2
531	Shawnee	1,066	1,018	1,045	903	886	-16.9	-1.9
510	South Suburban	2,736	2,500	2,280	2,092	1,938	-29.2	-7.4
533	Southeastern Illinois	963	943	902	832	837	-13.1	0.6
522	Southwestern Illinois	6,678	6,280	5,802	5,336	5,009	-25.0	-6.1
534	Spoon River	975	930	910	876	791	-18.9	-9.7
504	Triton	5,669	5,710	5,777	5,624	5,603	-1.2	-0.4
516	Waubonsee	5,211	5,241	4,995	4,700	4,621	-11.3 %	-1.7 %
	Totals	184,036 *	175,859	167,294	160,396	154,717	-15.9 %	-3.5 %

* Colleges Provided Corrected Figure
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SOURCE OF DATA: Spring Semester Enrollment Surveys

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Table 4
PRELIMINARY OPENING SPRING INTERNET ENROLLMENT, DUPLICATED COUNT
BY COLLEGE, FISCAL YEARS 2015-2019

Dist. No.	College Name	Spring 2015	Spring 2016	Spring 2017	Spring 2018	Spring 2019	Spring % Change 2015-2019	Spring % Change 2018-2019
503	Black Hawk	2,496	2,694	2,778	3,115	3,104	24.4 %	-0.4 %
518	Carl Sandburg	889	820	1,055	1,254	1,382	55.5	10.2
508	City Colleges of Chicago	(6,830)	(7,704)	(6,984)	(7,510)	(8,371)	(22.6)	(11.5)
02	Harold Washington	2,088	2,501	2,078	2,359	2,704	29.5	14.6
04	Harry S Truman	927	1,014	867	890	905	-2.4	1.7
01	Kennedy-King	619	558	460	393	486	-21.5	23.7
03	Malcolm X	853	1,040	1,112	1,140	1,395	63.5	22.4
05	Olive-Harvey	488	497	477	423	474	-2.9	12.1
06	Richard J. Daley	701	806	683	657	729	4.0	11.0
07	Wilbur Wright	1,154	1,288	1,307	1,648	1,678	45.4	1.8
502	College of DuPage	10,233	10,250	10,643	10,728	10,431	1.9	-2.8
532	College of Lake County	4,119	4,280	4,660	5,220	5,123	24.4	-1.9
507	Danville Area	1,458	1,510	1,503	1,586	1,883	29.1	18.7
509	Elgin	2,823	2,864	2,843	2,622	2,707	-4.1	3.2
512	Harper	4,740	3,690	3,965	4,331	4,508	-4.9	4.1
540	Heartland	2,080	2,071	2,121	2,171	2,532	21.7	16.6
519	Highland	869	925	971	976	882	1.5	-9.6
514	Illinois Central	3,781	3,686	3,544	3,592	3,766	-0.4	4.8
529	Illinois Eastern	(1,182)	(1,324)	(1,218)	(1,485)	(1,534)	(29.8)	(3.3)
04	Frontier	97	95	83	183	199	105.2	8.7
01	Lincoln Trail	371	423	365	417	501	35.0	20.1
02	Olney Central	544	554	506	569	572	5.1	0.5
03	Wabash Valley	170	252	264	316	262	54.1	-17.1
513	Illinois Valley	1,820	1,033	948	962	914	-49.8	-5.0
530	John A. Logan	2,272	1,369	2,197	2,377	2,444	7.6	2.8
539	John Wood	1,427	1,716	1,724	1,847	1,854	29.9	0.4
525	Joliet Junior	4,699	4,921	5,092	5,716	5,591	19.0	-2.2
520	Kankakee	1,094	762	954	954	949	-13.3	-0.5
501	Kaskaskia	2,800	2,470	2,310	2,244	2,420	-13.6	7.8
523	Kishwaukee	1,752	1,790	1,725	1,654	1,691	-3.5	2.2
517	Lake Land	3,795	3,419	3,523	5,112	3,781	-0.4	-26.0
536	Lewis and Clark	1,465	1,479	1,403	1,360	1,194	-18.5	-12.2
526	Lincoln Land	2,934	2,891	3,110	3,380	3,407	16.1	0.8
528	McHenry County	3,099	3,097	2,859	3,140	3,131	1.0	-0.3
524	Moraine Valley	3,423	3,759	3,873	4,203	4,594	34.2	9.3
527	Morton	735	653	659	724	694	-5.6	-4.1
535	Oakton	3,943	3,831	3,910	4,158	4,225	7.2	1.6
505	Parkland	4,330	4,284	4,191	4,184	4,179	-3.5	-0.1
515	Prairie State	1,637	1,648	1,558	1,537	1,481	-9.5	-3.6
521	Rend Lake	841	806	832	823	916	8.9	11.3
537	Richland	1,140	1,255	1,193	1,181	1,188	4.2	0.6
511	Rock Valley	1,770	2,027	2,222	1,839	2,297	29.8	24.9
506	Sauk Valley	1,079	1,154	1,232	1,245	1,310	21.4	5.2
531	Shawnee	950	782	781	800	792	-16.6	-1.0
510	South Suburban	1,133	2,375	1,085	1,258	1,118	-1.3	-11.1
533	Southeastern Illinois	1,691	1,577	1,558	1,484	1,650	-2.4	11.2
522	Southwestern Illinois	3,569	3,415	3,917	3,919	3,831	7.3	-2.2
534	Spoon River	989	1,018	966	957	993	0.4	3.8
504	Triton	3,128	4,160	3,279	3,364	3,133	0.2	-6.9
516	Waubonsee	4,519	4,631	4,341	4,644	4,716	4.4 %	1.6 %
	Totals	103,534	104,140	103,727	109,656	110,716	6.9 %	1.0 %

* Colleges Provided Corrected Figure

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