

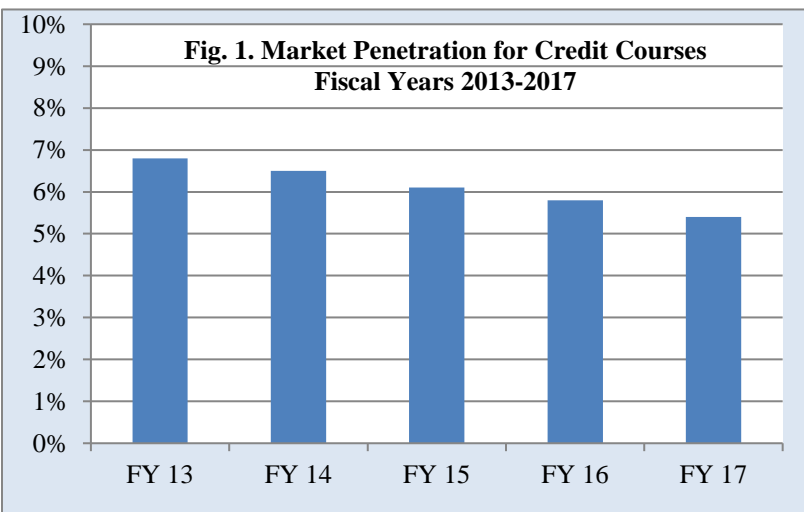
Illinois Community College Board Frequently Asked Questions

HOW MANY OF ILLINOIS' RESIDENTS DO ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGES SERVE THROUGH CREDIT COURSES?

Market Penetration is the proportion of Illinois community college credit students in relation to Illinois' population aged 16 and older. **In fiscal year 2017, Illinois Community Colleges served 5.4 percent of Illinois' residents aged 16 and older through credit courses.** Table 1 below contains comparative data for the last five years. Compared to last year, market penetration decreased 7.1 percent, credit headcount enrollment decreased 7.4 percent, and Illinois' population decreased slightly (-0.3 percent). Illinois' population is up since fiscal year 2013 while credit headcount enrollment and market penetration are down in the same timeframe.

Table 1 Summary Comparison of Annual Credit Headcount Enrollments, Population Aged 16 and Older, and Market Penetration Fiscal Years 2013-2017					
	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	FY 16	FY 17
Student Headcount Enrollment	691,536	659,712	620,191	597,290	553,174
% Change	-3.1%	-4.6%	-6.0%	-3.7%	-7.4%
Census Population*	10,166,782	10,196,424	10,237,277	10,247,335	10,216,554
% Change	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%	0.1%	-0.3%
MARKET PENETRATION	6.8%	6.5%	6.1%	5.8%	5.4%
% Change	-3.4%	-4.9%	-6.4%	-3.8%	-7.1%

*Population is for the previous year
SOURCE OF DATA: ICCB Centralized Data System—Annual Enrollment and Completion (A1) and Southern Illinois University - Edwardsville



As depicted in Figure 1, market penetration has decreased slightly each year between fiscal years 2013 and 2017. Market penetration is declining as headcount enrollment continues to decline.

For more information on enrollments, see the report, [Annual Student Enrollments and Completions in the Illinois Community College System](#), fiscal year 2017, or [Data and Characteristics of the Illinois Public Community College System](#). Additional [District Census Data](#) is available on the ICCB website.

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