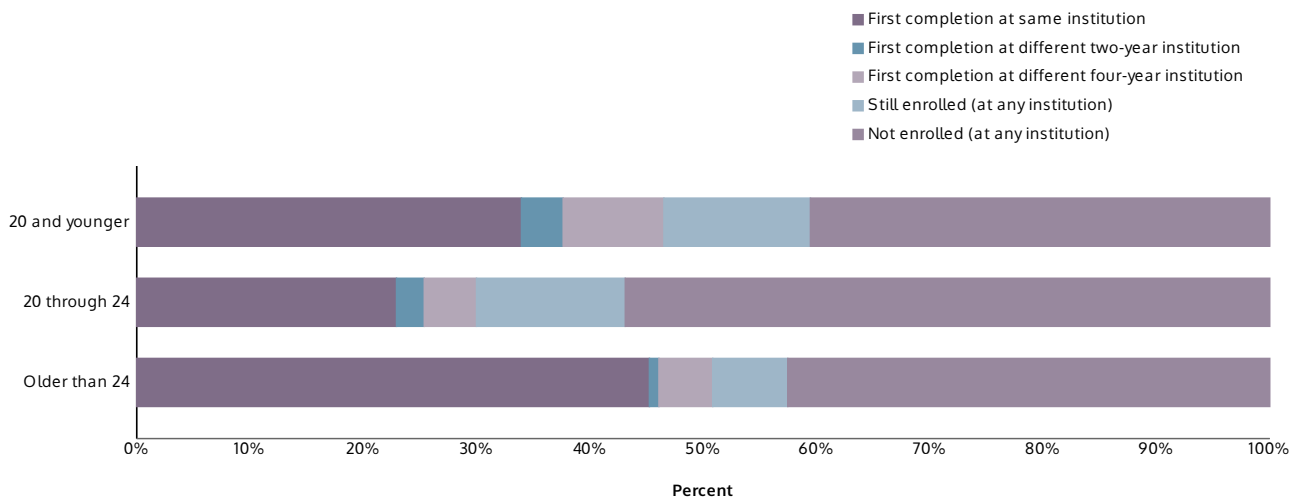


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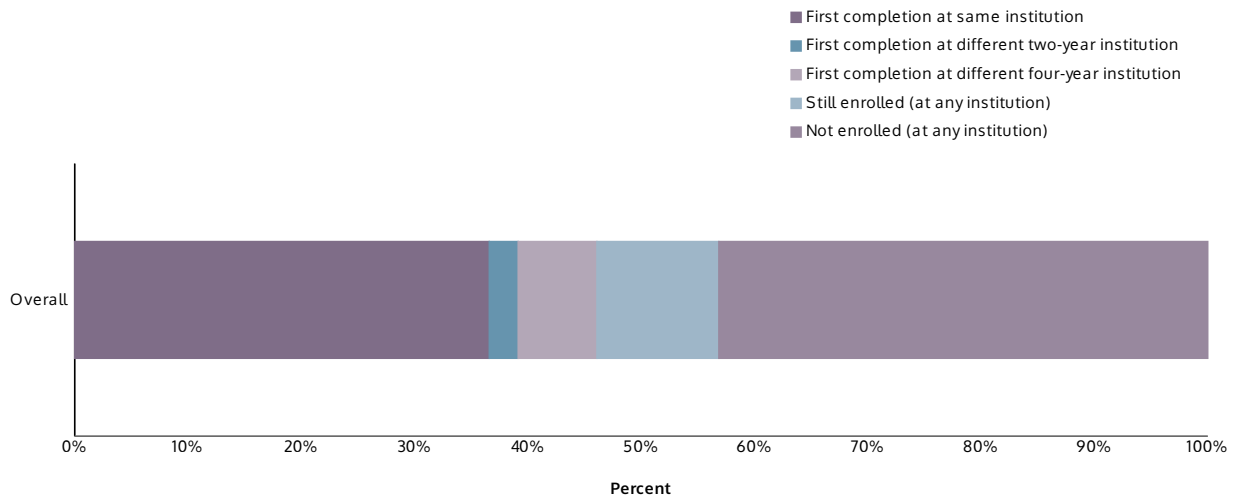
SIX-YEAR TRANSFER AND COMPLETION: MONTANA

Completion rates for first-time degree-seeking Montana Community College students, by age, gender, and enrollment intensity

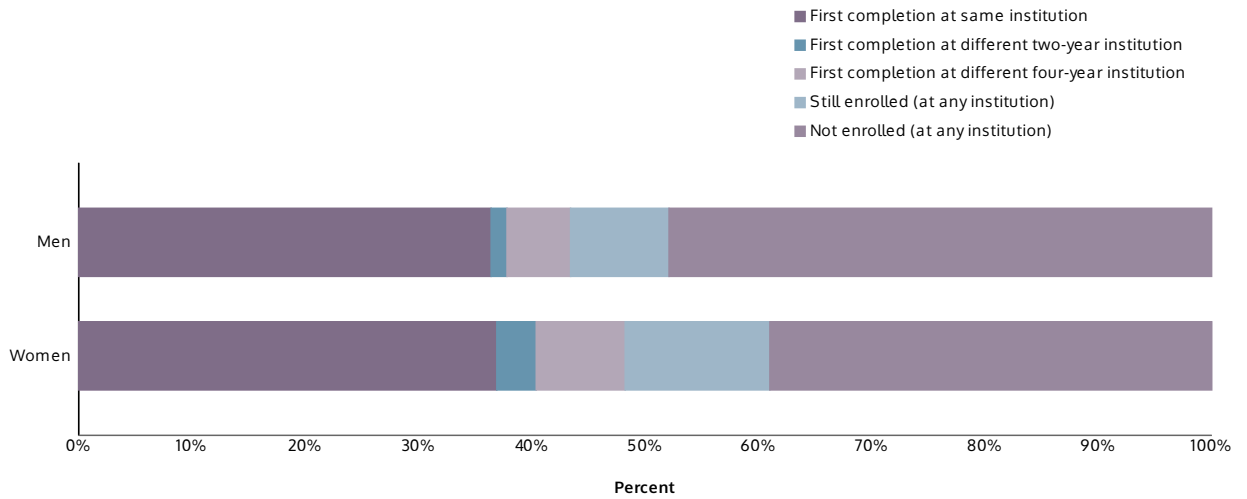
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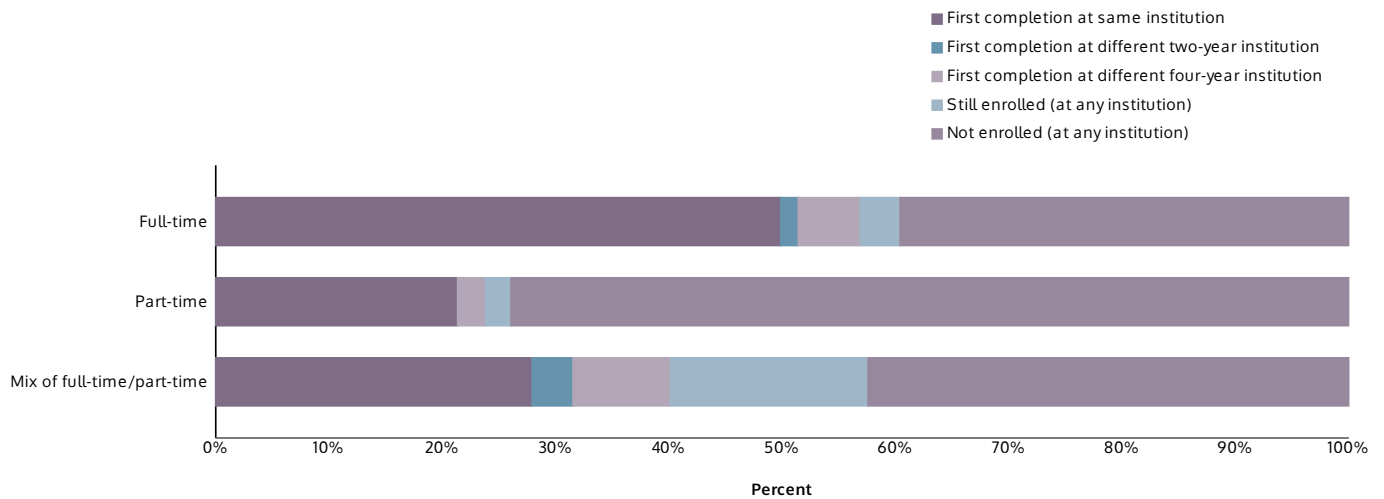
OVERALL



GENDER



ENROLLMENT INTENSITY



What Is Measured?

Completion rates within six years of first enrolling in a community college

Who Is Counted?

First-time degree-seeking students who entered Montana Community Colleges in fall 2010

What It Tells Us

Among first-time degree-seeking students who entered Montana Community Colleges in fall 2010, 46 percent completed their degree or certificate program within six years. Specifically, 37 percent completed at the institution where they first started, 3 percent completed at a different two-year institution, and 7 percent completed at a four-year institution. Of those who did not complete their degree or certificate programs within six years, 11 percent were still enrolled and 43 percent left their institution without completing.

The rate of completion within six years varied with the age of students at first entry. Some 47 percent of students 20 and younger completed an award, compared with 30 percent of students over 20 through 24 and 51 percent of students older than 24.

Some 48 percent of women and 43 percent of men completed their degree or program.

And 57 percent of full-time students completed their degree or program, compared with 40 percent of mixed full-time and part-time students and 24 percent of exclusively part-time students.

Why It's Important

ABOUT THE DATA

Not all states are included due to data availability. Only states with at least 65 percent historical coverage (calculated as the fall 2006 enrollment of state community colleges that reported enrollment to NSC divided by the total fall 2006 enrollment of the state's community colleges) are included.

Completions were established using a combination of degree/certificate award records submitted by institutions as part of their participation in DegreeVerify and StudentTracker.

First-time status: Student did not show a postsecondary enrollment record in the four years prior to summer 2010 and did not receive a degree or certificate from any postsecondary institution prior to fall 2010.

Fall 2010: Enrollment during any term starting August 15 through October 31, 2010. If an institution did not offer a term during this period, then enrollments from July 11 through August 14, 2010 were also included.

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