

**Enrollment by Student Characteristics
Academic Year 2015 - 2020**

**Kansas State University
Table A**

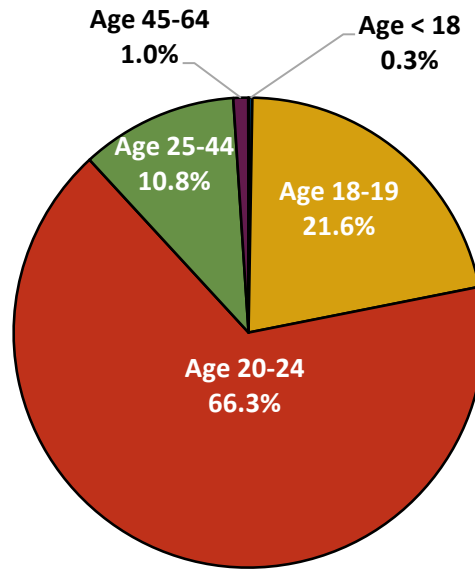
	AY 2015	AY 2016	AY 2017	AY 2018	AY 2019	AY 2020	% Change AY 15 - 20
Enrollment: Headcount							
Undergraduate	22,210	21,709	21,019	20,093	19,199	18,501	-16.7%
Graduate	5,004	4,746	4,758	4,897	4,883	5,077	1.5%
Total	27,214	26,455	25,777	24,990	24,082	23,578	-13.4%
Enrollment: FTE							
Undergraduate	18,315	17,992	17,482	16,657	16,028	15,326	-16.3%
Graduate	2,620	2,464	2,574	2,673	2,728	2,797	6.8%
Total	20,935	20,456	20,056	19,330	18,756	18,123	-13.4%
Student Status							
Full-time	17,592	17,404	17,086	16,448	16,034	15,384	-12.6%
Part-time	9,622	9,051	8,691	8,542	8,048	8,194	-14.8%
Total	27,214	26,455	25,777	24,990	24,082	23,578	-13.4%
Student Residency*							
Resident	17,873	18,169	17,812	17,229	16,608	16,077	-10.0%
Resident by Exception	2,575	1,998	2,151	2,203	2,125	2,075	-19.4%
Non-resident	6,766	6,288	5,814	5,558	5,349	5,426	-19.8%
Total	27,214	26,455	25,777	24,990	24,082	23,578	-13.4%
Gender							
Female	13,447	12,992	12,644	12,310	11,959	11,897	-11.5%
Male	13,767	13,463	13,133	12,680	12,123	11,681	-15.2%
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	NA
Total	27,214	26,455	25,777	24,990	24,082	23,578	-13.4%
Student Age: Undergraduates							
Age < 18	0.7%	0.7%	0.6%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	-69.5%
18-19	21.5%	20.9%	21.3%	21.0%	22.3%	21.6%	-16.4%
20-24	63.5%	64.8%	65.6%	66.4%	66.2%	66.3%	-13.0%
25-44	13.1%	12.5%	11.3%	11.3%	10.3%	10.8%	-31.4%
45-64	1.2%	1.1%	1.1%	1.1%	1.0%	1.0%	-26.9%
Age 65+	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	NA
Student Age: Graduates							
Age < 18	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	NA
18-19	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	NA
20-24	18.0%	17.8%	18.6%	19.3%	19.8%	19.2%	-11.9%
25-44	70.0%	70.5%	69.9%	69.4%	68.8%	68.3%	-8.3%
45-64	11.6%	11.4%	11.2%	11.1%	11.2%	12.3%	7.0%
Age 65+	0.4%	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	0.3%	-27.8%
Student Race/Ethnicity							
White	73.5%	74.2%	74.4%	74.2%	74.5%	74.7%	-13.4%
Hispanic/Latino	5.8%	6.3%	6.4%	6.7%	7.1%	7.5%	10.3%
Black or African-American	4.1%	3.9%	3.9%	3.6%	3.5%	3.5%	-26.2%
Asian	1.6%	1.7%	1.7%	1.7%	1.8%	1.8%	-3.1%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	0.4%	0.4%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	3.8%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	-27.5%
Two or more	2.8%	2.9%	3.1%	3.4%	3.4%	3.4%	3.0%
Non-Resident Alien	10.2%	9.0%	8.7%	8.3%	7.6%	7.2%	-39.1%
Unknown	1.6%	1.4%	1.3%	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%	-35.4%

*See notes section for explanation of the change in student residency definition.

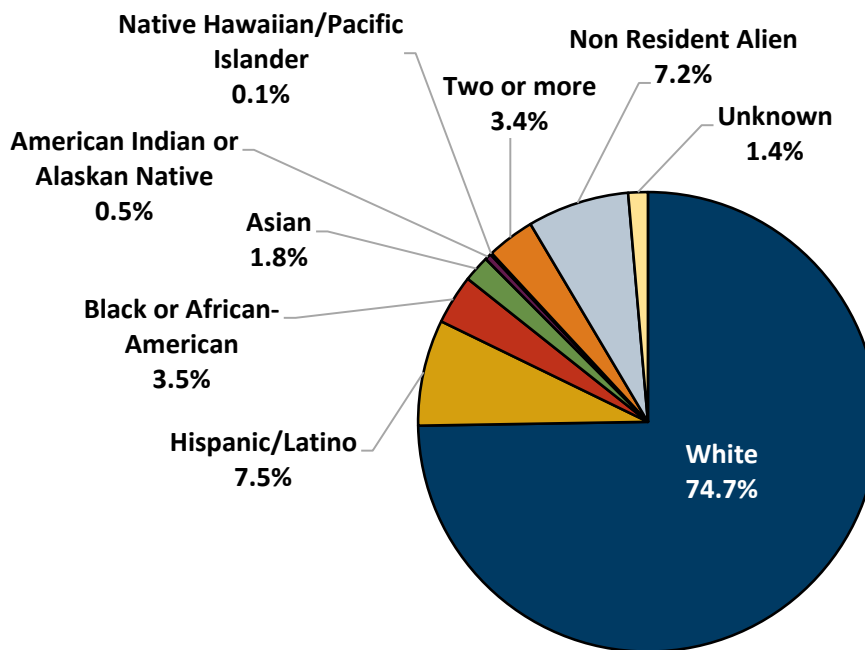
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Source: KHEDS AY Collection

**Enrollment by Age - Undergraduates
Academic Year 2020**



**Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity
Academic Year 2020**



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Source: KHEDS AY Collection

**Enrollment by Student Characteristics
Fall 2015 - 2020
Academic Year 2015 - 2020**

**Kansas State University
Table A**

Category	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019	Fall 2020	% Change Fall 15 - 20
Occupancy in Univ. owned housing & Pct. to Total Enroll	4,947 20.5%	5,283 22.2%	4,822 21.2%	4,803 21.6%	4,714 21.7%	3,758 18.0%	-24.0% -12.2%
Facility Characteristics*							
Total Gross Area		10,360,610		9,669,055			NA
Total Net Assignable		6,621,736		5,852,887			NA
Net Assignable - Residential		833,876		1,017,791			NA
Gross Area Built Since 1961		3,921,686		3,613,340			NA
% of Gross Building Area		57.4%		56.7%			NA
Avg. Hours of Utilization / week							
Classroom (7:30 - 5:30)		18.21		18.27			NA
Teaching Lab (7:30 - 5:30)		14.24		14.80			NA
							% Change AY 15 - 20
Enroll: ACT Scores	AY 2015	AY 2016	AY 2017	AY 2018	AY 2019	AY 2020	
(First-time freshmen)							
12 and under	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	NA
13 - 16	3.3%	2.2%	2.0%	1.8%	2.4%	2.4%	-27.9%
17 - 22	32.7%	32.5%	31.2%	33.2%	33.3%	33.6%	2.8%
23 - 26	33.5%	33.8%	34.1%	33.0%	32.9%	32.8%	-2.3%
27 - 31	23.7%	23.9%	24.1%	24.3%	21.5%	23.1%	-2.9%
32 - 36	6.7%	7.5%	8.7%	7.7%	9.8%	8.2%	23.4%
Degrees/Certificates Awarded**							
Certificates	19	37	32	34	9	9	-52.6%
Associate Degrees	43	22	14	7	17	21	-51.2%
Bachelor's Degrees	3,987	3,981	3,959	3,963	3,888	4,014	0.7%
Master's Degrees	1,109	990	1,048	1,076	1,135	1,130	1.9%
Doctoral Degrees	303	294	300	279	314	326	7.6%
Total	5,461	5,324	5,353	5,359	5,363	5,500	0.7%
Other Awards	228	233	266	323	330	417	82.9%

*Includes Kansas State Polytechnic (formerly KSU Salina Campus). The KBOR Inventory of Physical Facilities is reported only in even years. Fall 2020 data is intentionally blank as a placeholder while KBOR staff realigns facility characteristic data with the updated facilities report.

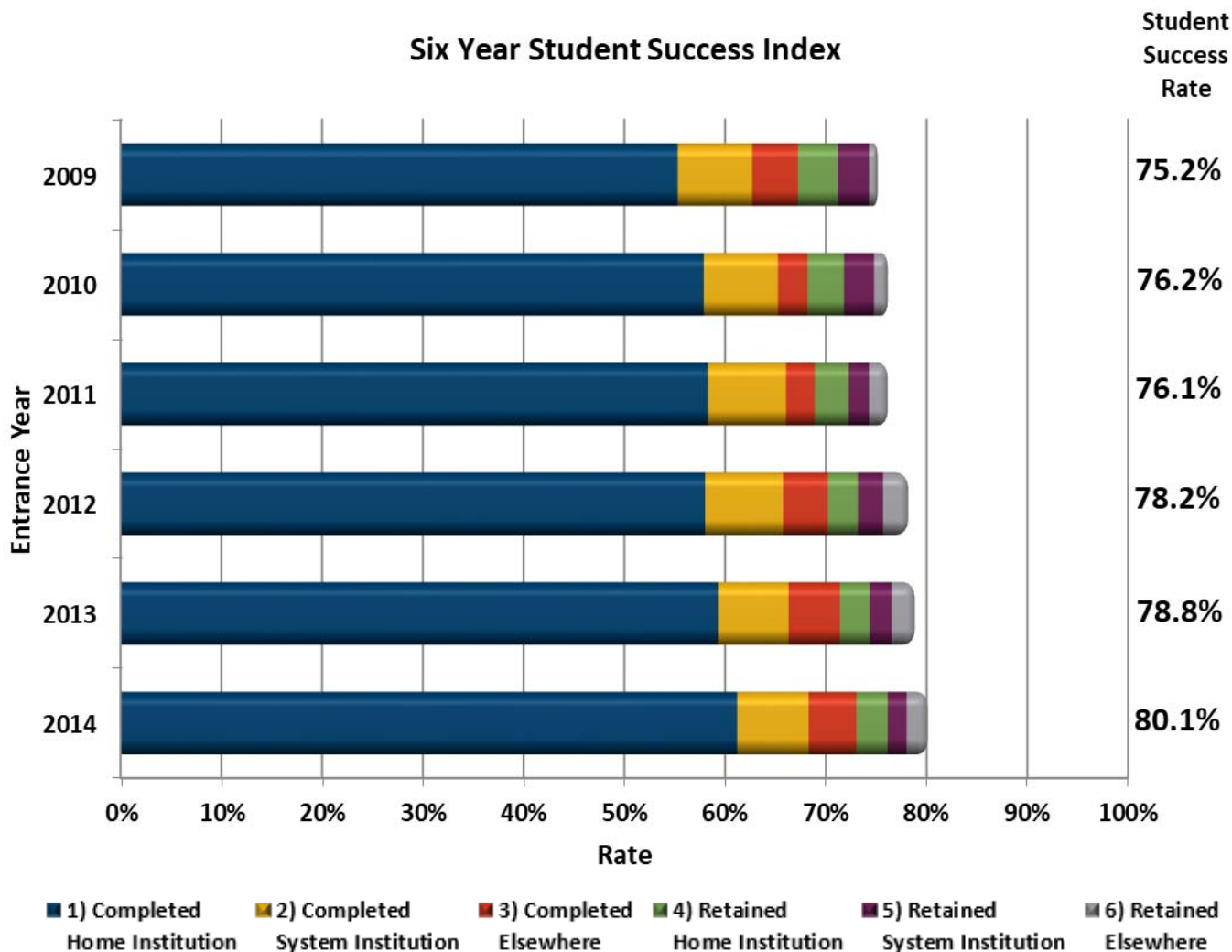
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Source: *State University Housing Report; State University Inventory of Facilities; ACT Class Profile Report; KHEDS AY Collection*

Student Success Index*
Entrance Year 2009 - 2014

Kansas State University
Table A



Entrance Year	Completed Home Institution	Completed System Institution	Completed Elsewhere	Retained Home Institution	Retained System Institution	Retained Elsewhere	Student Success Rate
2009	55.3%	7.4%	4.6%	4.0%	3.1%	0.9%	75.2%
2010	57.9%	7.4%	2.9%	3.6%	3.0%	1.4%	76.2%
2011	58.3%	7.8%	2.9%	3.4%	2.0%	1.9%	76.1%
2012	58.0%	7.7%	4.4%	3.0%	2.5%	2.5%	78.2%
2013	59.3%	7.0%	5.1%	3.0%	2.2%	2.3%	78.8%
2014	61.2%	7.1%	4.7%	3.1%	1.9%	2.1%	80.1%

*Cohort measured includes all first-time entering and transferring degree-seeking students.

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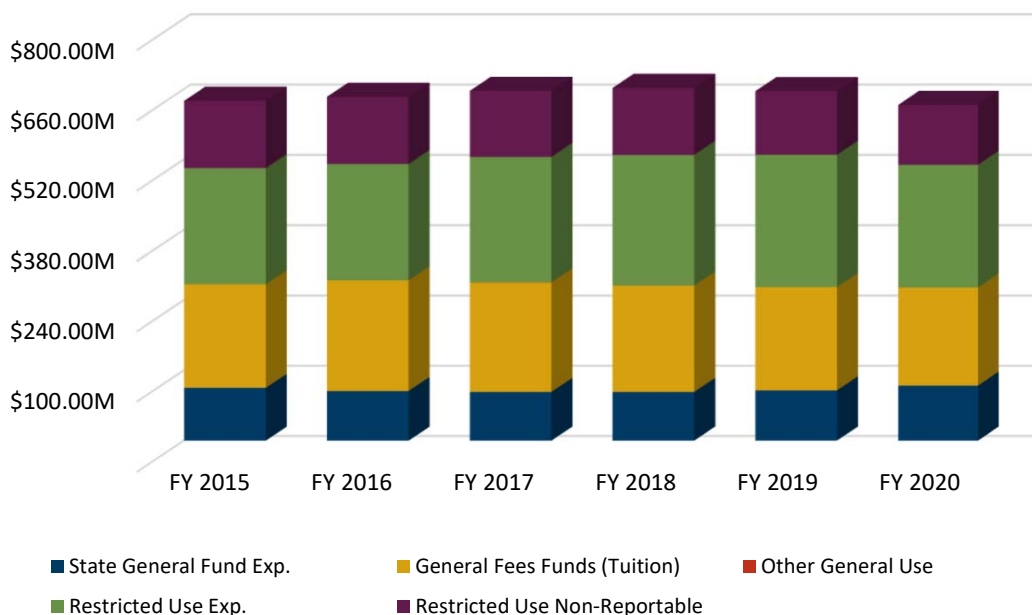
Source: KHEDS AY Collection; National Student Clearinghouse

**Total Operating Expenditures by Fund
Fiscal Year 2015 - 2020**

**Kansas State University
Table B**

Category	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	Percent of Total FY 2020
State General Fund Exp. Percent Increase Exp.	\$105,262,021 5.4%	\$99,038,973 -5.9%	\$97,310,909 -1.7%	\$97,227,643 -0.1%	\$100,357,861 3.2%	\$109,749,147 9.4%	16.4%
General Fees Funds (Tuition) Percent Increase Tuition	\$206,428,717 3.9%	\$220,396,554 6.8%	\$218,082,076 -1.1%	\$211,726,414 -2.9%	\$205,676,240 -2.9%	\$195,402,116 -5.0%	29.2%
Hospital Revenue Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0%
Other General Use Percent Increase	\$100,000 0.0%	\$100,000 0.0%	\$224,842 124.8%	\$200,000 -11.0%	\$100,000 -50.0%	\$300,000 200.0%	0.0%
General Use Exp. Percent Increase GU	\$311,790,738 4.4%	\$319,535,527 2.5%	\$315,617,827 -1.2%	\$309,154,057 -2.0%	\$306,134,101 -1.0%	\$305,451,263 -0.2%	45.7%
Restricted Use Exp. Percent Increase RU	\$231,085,530 3.0%	\$231,628,591 0.2%	\$249,502,718 7.7%	\$260,060,386 4.2%	\$263,378,808 1.3%	\$244,470,402 -7.2%	36.5%
Operating Expenditures Pct. Increase - Operating Exp.	\$542,876,268 3.8%	\$551,164,118 1.5%	\$565,120,545 2.5%	\$569,214,443 0.7%	\$569,512,909 0.1%	\$549,921,665 -3.4%	82.2%
Restricted Use Non-Reportable Student Loan Expenditures Percent Increase RU N-R	\$134,268,352 0.1%	\$133,797,219 -0.4%	\$131,706,286 -1.6%	\$133,389,869 1.3%	\$126,852,172 -4.9%	\$119,164,968 -6.1%	17.8%
Total Operating Expenditures (including Non-reportable Student Loan Expenditures)	\$677,144,620 3.1%	\$684,961,337 1.2%	\$696,826,831 1.7%	\$702,604,312 0.8%	\$696,365,081 -0.9%	\$669,086,633 -3.9%	100.0%

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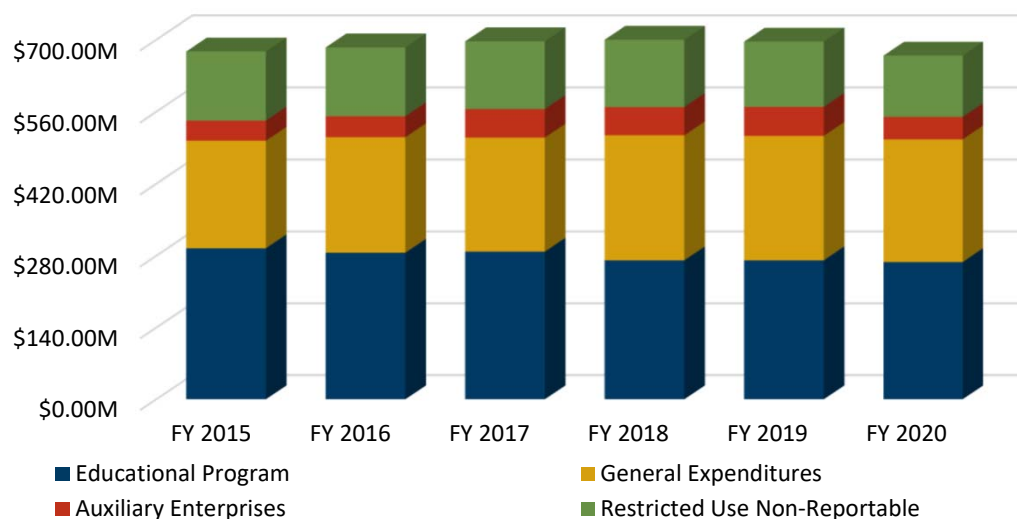
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**All Funds Operating Expenditures by Program
Fiscal Year 2015 - 2020**

**Kansas State University
Table C**

Category	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	% Change FY 15 - 20
Instruction per FTE Student	\$188,037,417 \$9,339	\$184,074,452 \$9,341	\$186,612,414 \$9,580	\$169,264,353 \$9,043	\$168,747,509 \$9,327	\$166,671,701 \$9,509	-11.4% 1.8%
Academic Support per FTE Student	\$48,121,407 \$2,390	\$42,713,879 \$2,167	\$42,926,356 \$2,204	\$40,139,462 \$2,145	\$40,680,755 \$2,248	\$42,838,310 \$2,444	-11.0% 2.3%
Student Services per FTE Student	\$26,046,238 \$1,294	\$26,390,433 \$1,339	\$24,524,083 \$1,259	\$25,546,373 \$1,365	\$25,816,242 \$1,427	\$24,245,918 \$1,383	-6.9% 6.9%
Institutional Support per FTE Student	\$32,299,206 \$1,604	\$32,831,979 \$1,666	\$34,025,251 \$1,747	\$36,266,871 \$1,938	\$35,952,805 \$1,987	\$34,093,236 \$1,945	5.6% 21.3%
Educational Program per FTE Student	\$294,504,268 \$14,626	\$286,010,743 \$14,513	\$288,088,104 \$14,790	\$271,217,059 \$14,490	\$271,197,311 \$14,989	\$267,849,165 \$15,282	-9.1% 4.5%
Physical Plant	\$38,774,991	\$37,317,955	\$36,142,756	\$34,571,383	\$35,819,458	\$34,579,413	-10.8%
Research	\$74,692,229	\$77,847,770	\$82,343,738	\$102,576,936	\$98,704,008	\$91,101,947	22.0%
Public Service	\$16,565,402	\$15,262,039	\$15,277,946	\$15,500,412	\$15,466,988	\$13,535,556	-18.3%
Scholarships and Fellowships	\$61,759,496	\$63,997,487	\$67,367,564	\$69,655,233	\$72,252,031	\$71,542,867	15.8%
Other (including Transfers)	\$17,365,035	\$29,963,919	\$20,448,384	\$20,706,269	\$19,593,626	\$27,663,469	59.3%
Total Educ. and General	\$503,661,421	\$510,399,913	\$509,668,492	\$514,227,292	\$513,033,422	\$506,272,417	0.5%
Auxiliary Enterprises	\$39,214,847	\$40,764,205	\$55,452,053	\$54,987,151	\$56,479,487	\$43,649,249	11.3%
Operating Expenditures	\$542,876,268	\$551,164,118	\$565,120,545	\$569,214,443	\$569,512,909	\$549,921,666	1.3%
Restricted Use Non-Reportable Student Loan Expenditures	\$134,268,352	\$133,797,219	\$131,706,286	\$133,389,869	\$126,852,172	\$119,164,968	-11.2%
Total Operating Expenditures (including Non-reportable Student Loan Expenditures)	\$677,144,620	\$684,961,337	\$696,826,831	\$702,604,312	\$696,365,081	\$669,086,633	-1.2%

**All Funds Operating Expenditures by Program
Fiscal Year 2015 - 2020**



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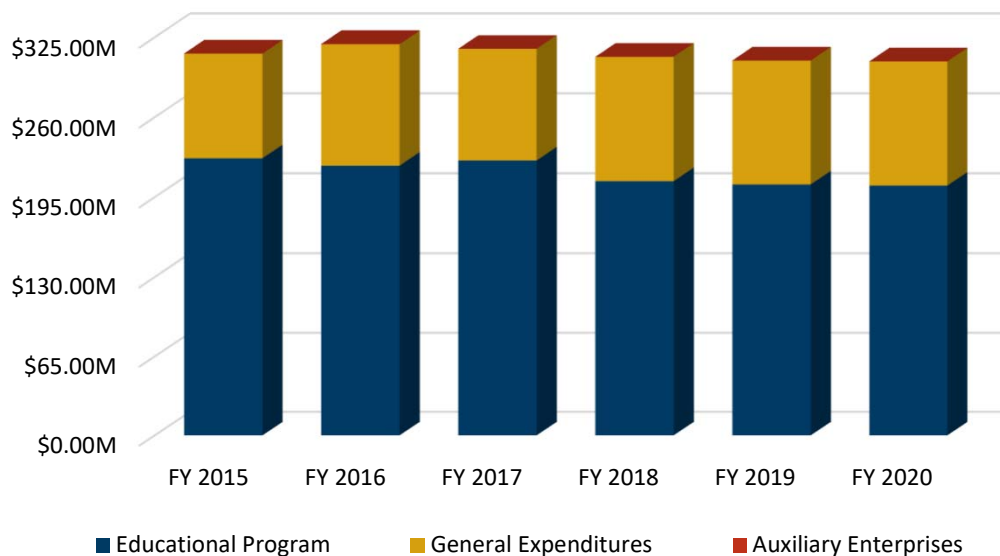
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**General Use Operating Expenditures by Program
Fiscal Year 2015 - 2020**

**Kansas State University
Table D**

Category	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	% Change FY 15 - 20
Instruction per FTE Student	\$143,808,881 \$7,142	\$143,244,788 \$7,269	\$144,082,567 \$7,397	\$128,262,494 \$6,853	\$124,847,742 \$6,900	\$126,888,289 \$7,240	-11.8% 1.4%
Academic Support per FTE Student	\$41,541,754 \$2,063	\$36,594,610 \$1,857	\$38,332,924 \$1,968	\$35,400,712 \$1,891	\$36,535,777 \$2,019	\$36,819,575 \$2,101	-11.4% 1.8%
Student Services per FTE Student	\$13,971,235 \$694	\$13,927,994 \$707	\$14,323,278 \$735	\$14,291,569 \$764	\$14,545,588 \$804	\$13,495,926 \$770	-3.4% 11.0%
Institutional Support per FTE Student	\$27,323,316 \$1,357	\$26,825,481 \$1,361	\$28,103,887 \$1,443	\$30,103,459 \$1,608	\$29,460,774 \$1,628	\$27,159,608 \$1,550	-0.6% 14.2%
Educational Program per FTE Student	\$226,645,186 \$11,256	\$220,592,873 \$11,194	\$224,842,656 \$11,543	\$208,058,234 \$11,116	\$205,389,881 \$11,352	\$204,363,398 \$11,660	-9.8% 3.6%
Physical Plant	\$33,384,210	\$29,970,976	\$34,246,226	\$29,274,737	\$30,794,243	\$29,706,414	-11.0%
Research	\$17,294,269	\$20,788,840	\$18,624,338	\$33,782,751	\$30,962,795	\$31,852,211	84.2%
Public Service	\$3,608,801	\$3,321,979	\$3,789,202	\$3,361,283	\$2,942,903	\$731,148	-79.7%
Scholarships and Fellowships	\$21,930,300	\$22,905,334	\$23,580,768	\$25,418,896	\$27,494,147	\$28,645,269	30.6%
Other (including Transfers)	\$8,786,126	\$21,799,947	\$10,526,995	\$9,254,930	\$8,479,020	\$10,074,684	14.7%
Total Educ. and General	\$311,648,892	\$319,379,949	\$315,610,185	\$309,150,831	\$306,062,989	\$305,373,124	-2.0%
Auxiliary Enterprises	\$141,846	\$155,578	\$7,642	\$3,226	\$71,112	\$78,139	-44.9%
Total General Use Exp.	\$311,790,738	\$319,535,527	\$315,617,827	\$309,154,057	\$306,134,101	\$305,451,263	-2.0%

**General Use Operating Expenditures by Program
Fiscal Year 2015 - 2020**



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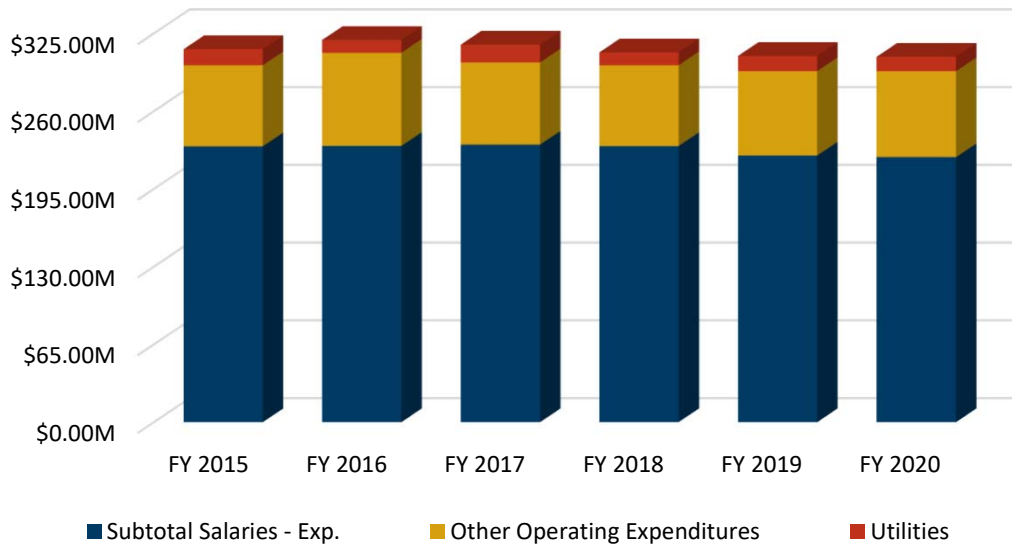
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**General Use Operating Expenditures by Object
Fiscal Year 2015 - 2020**

**Kansas State University
Table E**

Category	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	% Change FY 15 - 20
Classified - FTE	670.1	652.1	598.2	568.4	529.7	455.4	-32.0%
Classified - Expenditures	\$23,890,742	\$22,682,983	\$22,699,312	\$21,645,099	\$19,993,963	\$18,359,243	-23.2%
Unclassified - FTE	1,928.9	1,911.2	1,893.4	1,808.6	1,840.3	1,806.1	-6.4%
Unclassified - Expenditures	\$153,716,081	\$156,871,441	\$159,437,993	\$157,966,398	\$152,640,016	\$152,600,744	-0.7%
Student Wages Expenditures	\$3,621,624	\$3,444,511	\$3,247,557	\$2,855,945	\$2,286,881	\$1,908,510	-47.3%
Health Insurance	\$19,556,302	\$18,065,014	\$17,681,003	\$17,929,984	\$18,372,459	\$19,283,775	-1.4%
All Other Fringe	\$29,863,287	\$29,943,218	\$28,968,268	\$30,448,393	\$29,588,888	\$29,419,512	-1.5%
Subtotal Salaries - FTE	2,599.1	2,563.3	2,491.7	2,377.0	2,370.1	2,261.5	-13.0%
Subtotal Salaries - Exp.	\$230,648,036	\$231,007,167	\$232,034,133	\$230,845,819	\$222,882,207	\$221,571,784	-3.9%
Other Operating Expenditures	\$67,699,306	\$77,833,586	\$68,645,673	\$67,488,967	\$70,643,655	\$71,894,838	6.2%
Utilities	\$13,443,396	\$10,694,774	\$14,938,021	\$10,819,271	\$12,608,239	\$11,984,642	-10.9%
Total General Use Exp.	\$311,790,738	\$319,535,527	\$315,617,827	\$309,154,057	\$306,134,101	\$305,451,263	-2.0%

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Institutional Profiles Notes – Kansas State University

General Notes:

1. The data in any tables that use the KHEDS AY Collection may have changed slightly in Academic Year 2010 through Academic Year 2014 due to a data clean-up which improved the quality of data. Due to this slight adjustment in data, these tables may not match exactly what was published in prior year data books.
2. Due to rounding, numbers may not match other published reports.
3. In FY 2020, the universities received varying amounts of funding for COVID-19 relief. These amounts are primarily reflected as restricted use expenditures.

Table A: Enrollment by Student Characteristics

1. Beginning with the January 2015 data book, KBOR is using KHEDS Academic Year (AY) data instead of the KBOR Student Demographics Report and the Kansas Higher Education Enrollment Report (KHEER) for the enrollment and demographics data in Table A. The KHEDS Academic Year consists of consecutive summer, fall, and spring terms (i.e. the 2014 Academic Year covers Summer 2013 + Fall 2013 + Spring 2014). This change was made to align the data book with other KBOR reports.
2. Demographic and enrollment data can also be found in the Kansas Higher Education Statistics (KHEStats). KHEStats is a web-based reporting tool providing access to data about Kansas public postsecondary institutions. KHEStats allows users to view trends, filter reports, and perform comparisons through regularly-updated dashboards, graphs and charts. KHEStats can be accessed at stats.kansasregents.org/.
3. A divisor of 30 is used to calculate FTE for undergraduate students in an academic year, while a divisor of 24 is used for graduate students
4. Full-time students are defined as those enrolled in at least 24 credit hours in an academic year. Some institutions include additional factors for determining graduate student status when reporting to the National Student Clearinghouse, or for financial aid purposes, including GTA/GRA employment and/or enrollment in dissertation hours. IPEDS also uses additional criteria when determining graduate student status.
5. Prior year FTE data has been rounded to better align with KHEStats and may not match FTE data in previously published data books.
6. “Residency by Exception” refers to students who were not domiciliary residents of Kansas at the beginning of the academic year, but are classified as Kansas residents for tuition purposes pursuant to an allowable exception per statute.
7. The “% Change” column does not reflect the change in percentage for Student Age: Undergraduates, Student Age: Graduates, and Student Race/Ethnicity, but instead reflects the percent change in the number of students in each category for the time period. These number more accurately reflect the change in student population.
8. Beginning in AY 2011, institutions were required to report student’s race/ethnicity according to definitions and parameters established by the U.S. Department of Education (IPEDS). According to these new definitions, a student’s race/ethnicity can now be reported in four newly created or modified categories: Black or African-American, Asian, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, and Two or more races. The other race/ethnicity reporting categories are White, Non-resident Alien, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian, and Unknown. The Hispanic ethnicity category includes all students who reported a Hispanic ethnicity, regardless of their race selection.
9. Prior to 2015, completions data in this table came from the IPEDS Completions survey and certificates were not included.
10. KBOR staff have worked to align completions definitions to IPEDS. As a result, the decision was made to modify the “certificates” category, beginning with AY 2014, to include all post-secondary university certificates that lead to an industry recognized credential, license, or certification in standard reporting. Certificates that do not lead to an industry-recognized credential are included under the “Other Awards” category. Certificates presented in Table 3.6 are categorized to reflect this new system of classification.
11. Gross Building area – the floor area contained within the building measured to the internal face of the external walls.
12. Net assignable area - the gross area less the actual structural, mechanical, restrooms, custodial and circulation area.
13. Total Gross area - area measured to outside face of each enclosed floor of building, excluding the roof.
14. The space factor shown for classrooms and teaching laboratories is derived by dividing the net assignable square feet by the weekly student contact hours. Small space factors indicate better utilization. More efficient utilization is easier to obtain at the larger institutions. The goal or standard particularly for the larger institutions is 0.83 for classrooms. Also, the goal for

the classroom use is an average of 30 hours per week. For teaching laboratories the goal is an average of 20 hours use per week and a space factor of 3.75 or smaller.

15. Kansas State University previously included completions of non-degree programs marked “secondary majors.” In 2016, KBOR removed completions in these non-degree programs resulting in a reduction of 107 completions from the bachelor’s degrees attainment category.

Table A: Student Success Index

1. The data may have changed slightly for prior years due to the collection of additional data which improves the quality of data. Due to this slight adjustment in data, this table may not match exactly what was published in prior year data books.
2. Given the diverse population and varying mission of community colleges and technical colleges, the Student Success Index provides a more comprehensive measure of institutional effectiveness than traditional graduation and retention rates.
3. Outcomes for the Student Success Index are determined using data from both the KHEDS AY Collection and the National Student Clearinghouse. These outcomes are examined for an academic year cohort from the KHEDS AY Collection. The student is counted once per academic year for each institution. Translations have been made for merged institutions, and the current institution is used for the label. For completions, all completions reported to KBOR in the AY Completions File have been used. This may include stand-alone programs/occupational programs, certificates, and degrees. The segments on the index bar are mutually exclusive from left to right. Once the student is counted in one segment, that student is not counted in another segment.
4. The Student Success Index varies from typical IPEDS measures in the followings ways:
 - The index uses an academic year cohort, not the fall cohort. As of the 2017-18 IPEDS collection, IPEDS switched from using the Fall Enrollment component to the 12-Month Enrollment component as the cohort for the Outcome Measures survey.
 - The entrance year is the academic year in which the student entered the Kansas’ public postsecondary education system.
 - The index includes part-time and full-time students, as well as transfer students.
 - Exclusions. IPEDS allows exclusion of students from the cohort such as death or total and permanent disability; service in the armed forces (including those called to active duty); service with a foreign aid service of the federal government, such as the Peace Corps; or service on official church missions. KBOR does not track or remove exclusions.
 - Formal transfer prep programs. If an institution has a formal transfer prep program, but that student does not receive a formal award from the first institution, the first institution can count the student as a grad if the student fulfills the transfer prep program and transfers to another institution. KBOR does not track transfer prep specifically.
 - IPEDS allows institutions to count completers as ‘retained’ in retention rates for 2-year institutions under some circumstances. These are broken out separately for the index.
 - Types of degrees/awards. In order to count a student or award for IPEDS the student must be seeking a formal degree, certificate, or award. KBOR and institutions have not always defined these in the same way, and some awards/occupational programs have not always been collected by KBOR. The index counts postsecondary credit toward degrees, certificates, and stand-alone programs (occupational programs) if these have been submitted to KBOR. Any level of completion found within the specified timeframe is counted.
 - Expected time to degree. For the success index, no differentiation regarding the length of a degree program was made. KBOR evaluates whether a student completed or retained at the end of each entrance year whereas IPEDS looks at 150% of the time of the degree program.
 - Mergers. KBOR used translations for the merged institutions. It is uncertain how these were reported to IPEDS.