



KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS

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Board of Regents Announce 2015 Fall Semester Enrollment

(Topeka, Kansas) - Preliminary fall enrollment figures released today by the Kansas Board of Regents show a slight decline in systemwide enrollment, but growth at 15 of the state's 32 public higher education institutions.

Across the six state universities, there was an increase in enrollment at Fort Hays State University (385 students; 2.78%) and the University of Kansas (108 students; 0.39%), but overall there was a decrease of 890 students (-0.94%) compared to the preliminary census day count in 2014. Kansas State University realized a decrease in the number of enrollments (620 students; -2.5%), as did Wichita State University (508 students; -3.39%), and Pittsburg State University (235 students; -3.14%). There was nearly flat enrollment at both Emporia State University (decreasing by 20 students; -0.33%) and Washburn University, the state's municipal university (increasing by 6 students; 0.08%).

The attached spreadsheet provides preliminary fall enrollment figures for each institution.

In the two-year sector, enrollment was down across the state's 19 community colleges with a reported decrease of 2,165 students (-2.90%). Enrollment increased across the state's technical colleges, where an additional 433 students (6.33%) are enrolled this fall compared to the preliminary census day count in 2014.

In total, the 2015 fall semester enrollment total is 182,101 students as of census day at each institution, a preliminary headcount of students enrolled on the 20th day of class. While the number of students enrolled on a given day during the fall semester is no longer the indicator for total enrollment that it once was, this number has been recorded for over fifty years and so continues to be reported.

However, academic year enrollment more accurately captures total systemwide participation. In 2014-2015, the total systemwide enrollment is estimated to have been approximately 250,000. Based on current enrollment numbers, the Kansas Board of Regents projects enrollment for the 2015-2016 year will remain relatively flat.

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About the Kansas Board of Regents:

The nine-member Kansas Board of Regents is the governing board of the state's six universities and the statewide coordinating board for the state's 32 public higher education institutions (six state universities, one municipal university, nineteen community colleges, and six technical colleges). In addition, the Board administers the state's student financial aid, adult education, high school equivalency, and career and technical education programs. Private proprietary schools and out-of-state institutions are authorized by the Kansas Board of Regents to operate in Kansas, and the Board continues to administer Kan-ed, a program for facilitating and promoting distance learning and telemedicine in schools, libraries and hospitals. Visit the Kansas Board of Regents online at www.kansasregents.org.

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Fall 2015 Semester Preliminary Report
(20th day)
Systemwide Headcount

Institution	Fall 2015 Semester	Change from Fall 2014	
		Students	Percent
Emporia State University	6,094	-20	-0.33%
Fort Hays State University	14,210	385	2.78%
Kansas State University	24,146	-620	-2.50%
Pittsburg State University	7,244	-235	-3.14%
University of Kansas - Total	28,091	108	0.39%
University Of Kansas	24,708	96	0.39%
University Of Kansas Medical Center	3,383	12	0.36%
Wichita State University	14,495	-508	-3.39%
State University Total	94,280	-890	-0.94%
Washburn University - Total	7,945	6	0.08%
Washburn University - Main Campus	6,615	-107	-1.59%
Washburn Institute of Technology	1,330	113	9.29%
Allen Community College	2,385	-391	-14.10%
Barton Community College	6,281	58	0.93%
Butler Community College	9,150	-55	-0.60%
Cloud County Community College	2,063	-206	-9.08%
Coffeyville Community College	1,741	132	8.20%
Colby Community College	1,258	-33	-2.56%
Cowley Community College	3,083	-288	-8.54%
Dodge City Community College	1,779	11	0.62%
Fort Scott Community College	1,852	36	1.98%
Garden City Community College	2,091	5	0.24%
Highland Community College	2,903	-150	-4.91%
Hutchinson Community College	5,546	-172	-3.01%
Independence Community College	978	33	3.49%
Johnson County Community College	19,113	-329	-1.69%
Kansas City Kansas Community College	5,631	-571	-9.21%
Labette Community College	1,516	-12	-0.79%
Neosho County Community College	2,069	-149	-6.72%
Pratt Community College	1,189	-194	-14.00%
Seward County Community College/Area Technical School	1,971	110	5.91%
Community College Total	72,599	-2,165	-2.90%
Flint Hills Technical College	941	108	13.00%
Manhattan Area Technical College	870	104	13.60%
North Central Kansas Technical College	846	84	11.00%
Northwest Kansas Technical College	779	132	20.40%
Salina Area Technical College	522	55	11.80%
Wichita Area Technical College	3,319	-50	-1.48%
Technical College Total	7,277	433	6.33%
SYSTEM TOTAL	182,101	-2,616	-1.42%