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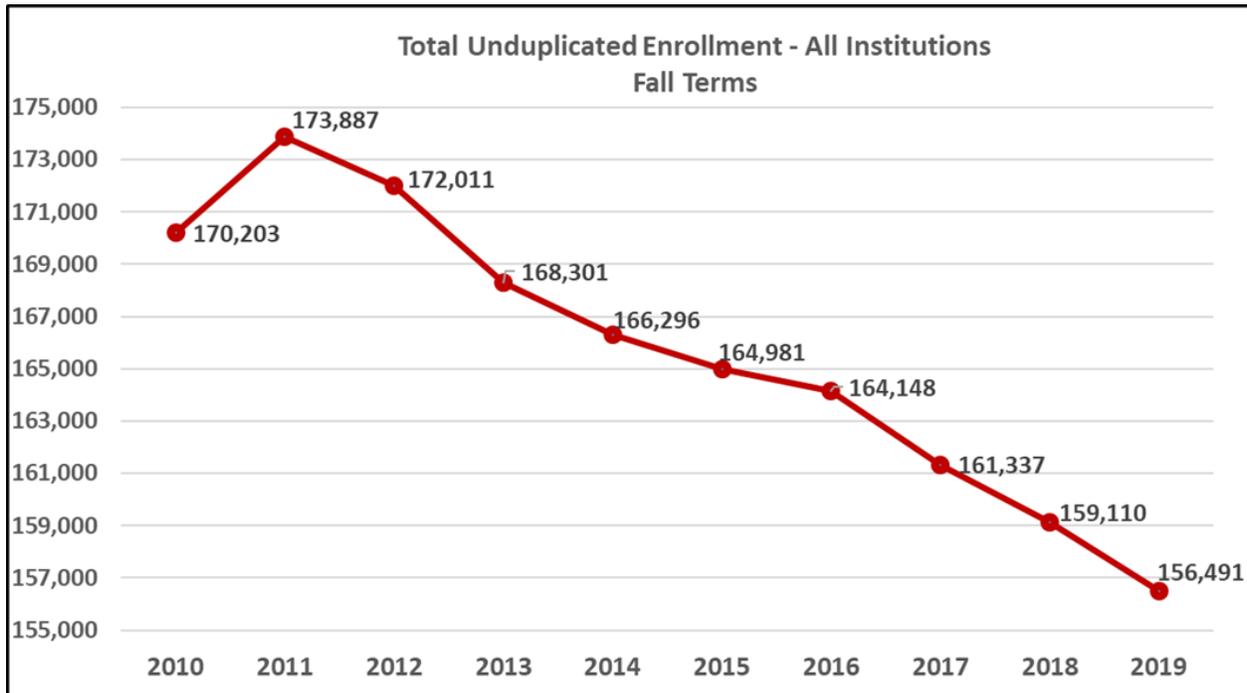
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ANNUAL ENROLLMENT REPORT

The **total** unduplicated enrollment for the fall 2019 term in all sectors of Arkansas higher education, including public universities, public colleges, private/independent colleges and universities, and nursing schools¹ was **156,491 students**; representing a 1-year decline of 1.6 percent.

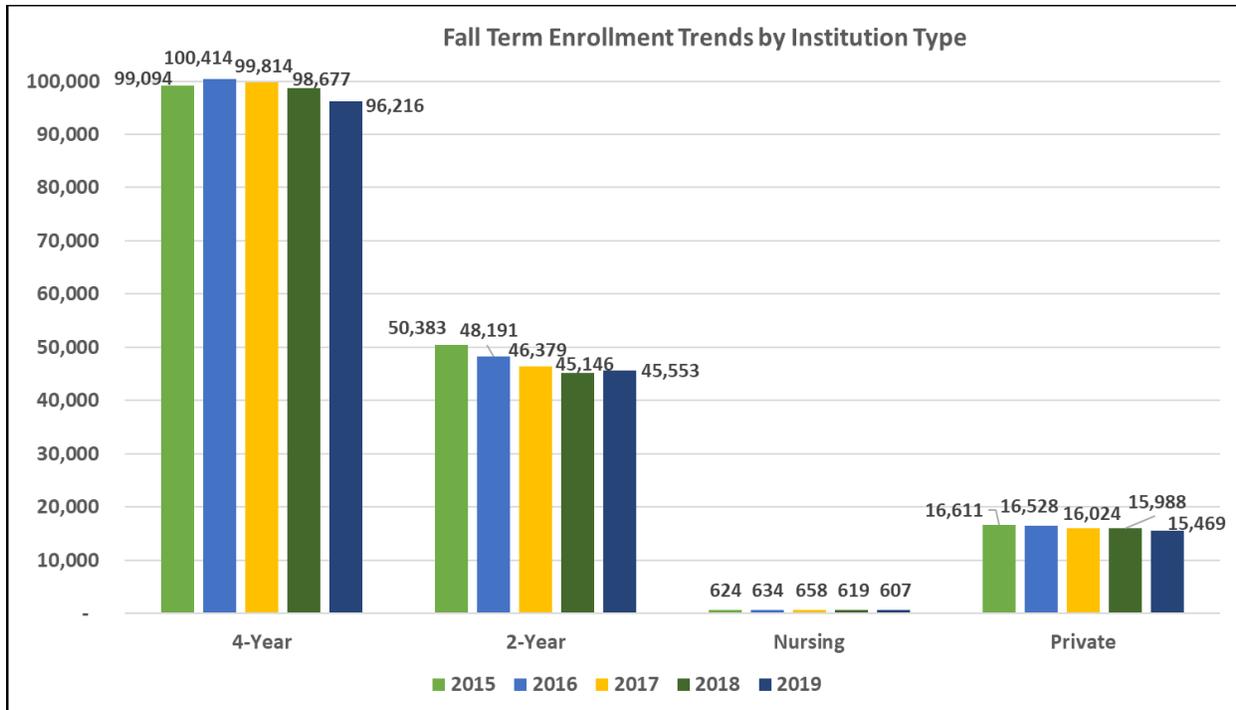
The last time Arkansas higher education reported an increase in fall term enrollment was the fall 2011 term. Fall 2011 total unduplicated enrollment of 173,887 represents the largest fall term enrollment ever. Although the declines from year to year range from .5 to 2.2 percent, Arkansas higher education currently has almost 18,000 fewer students compared to the fall 2011 term.

Of the 156,491 students enrolled in fall 2019, 1,203 students enrolled at more than one institution. This is only 1.2 percent of the total fall 2019 enrollment. The number of students attending more than one institution has been declining similar to overall enrollment. The largest number of students attending more than one institution was 3,110 in fall 2011.

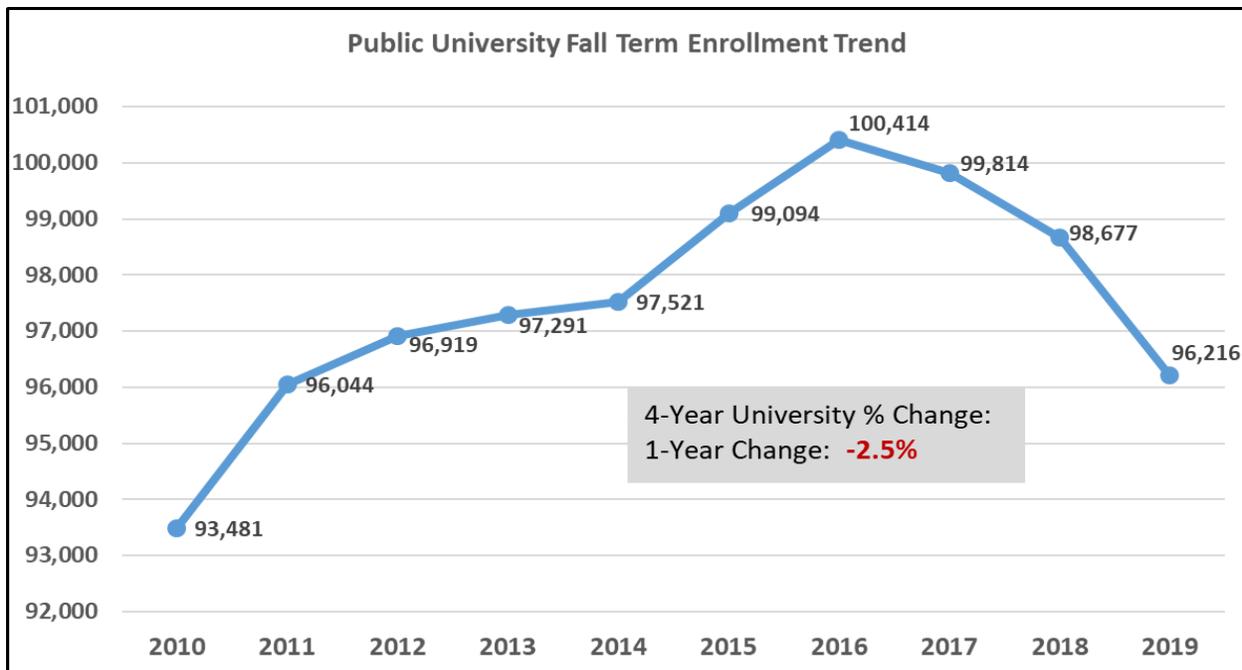


¹ The nursing schools of BSN (Baptist Health College) and JSN (Jefferson Regional Medical School of Nursing) report data to ADHE due to the Academic Challenge Scholarship reporting requirements.

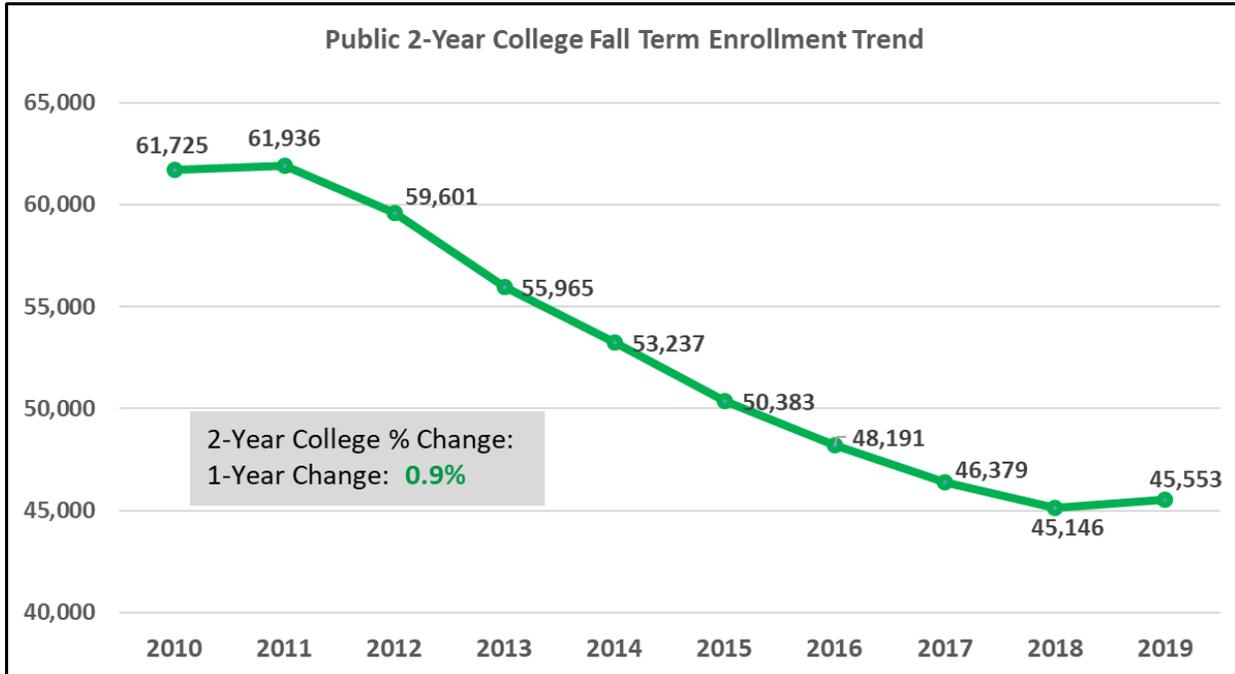
The following graph provides a five-year total enrollment trend for each sector of Arkansas higher education. 4-Year universities, nursing schools, and the private and independent institutions all experienced a decline in enrollment, while the 2-Year colleges reported their first increase in enrollment since fall 2011.



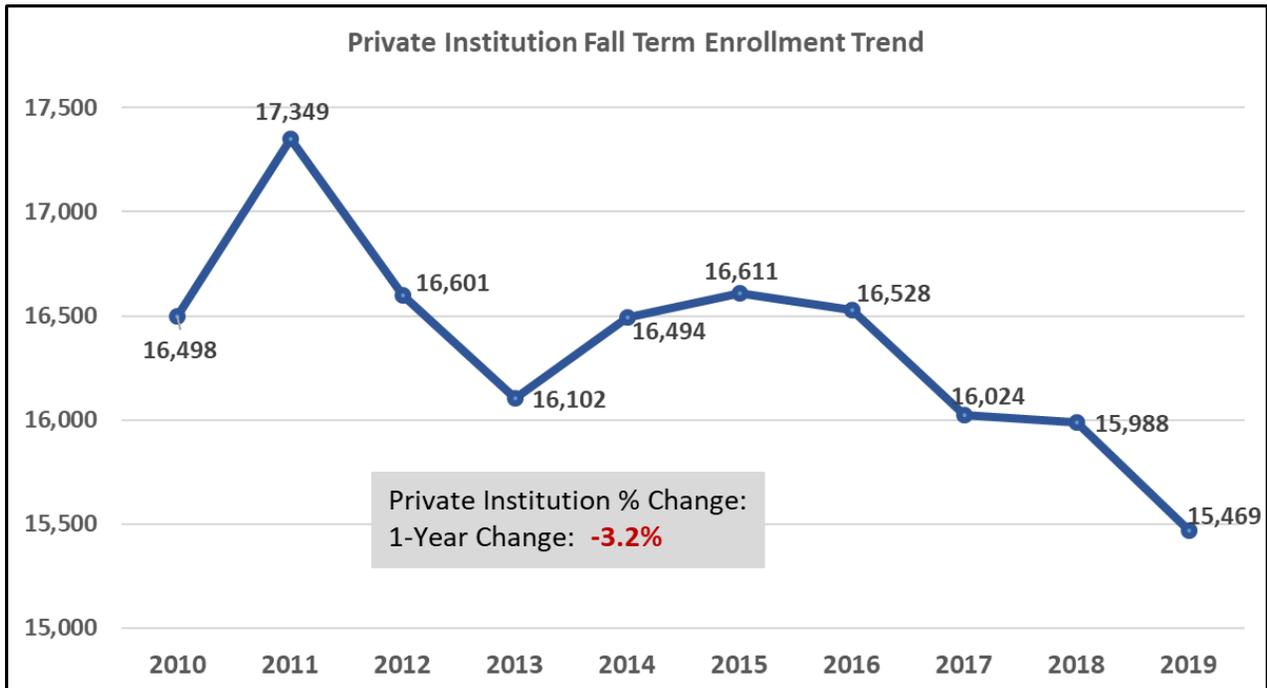
The 4-Year Public Universities reported a fall term decline for the third year in a row. They experienced their highest enrollment in the fall 2016 term of 100,414.



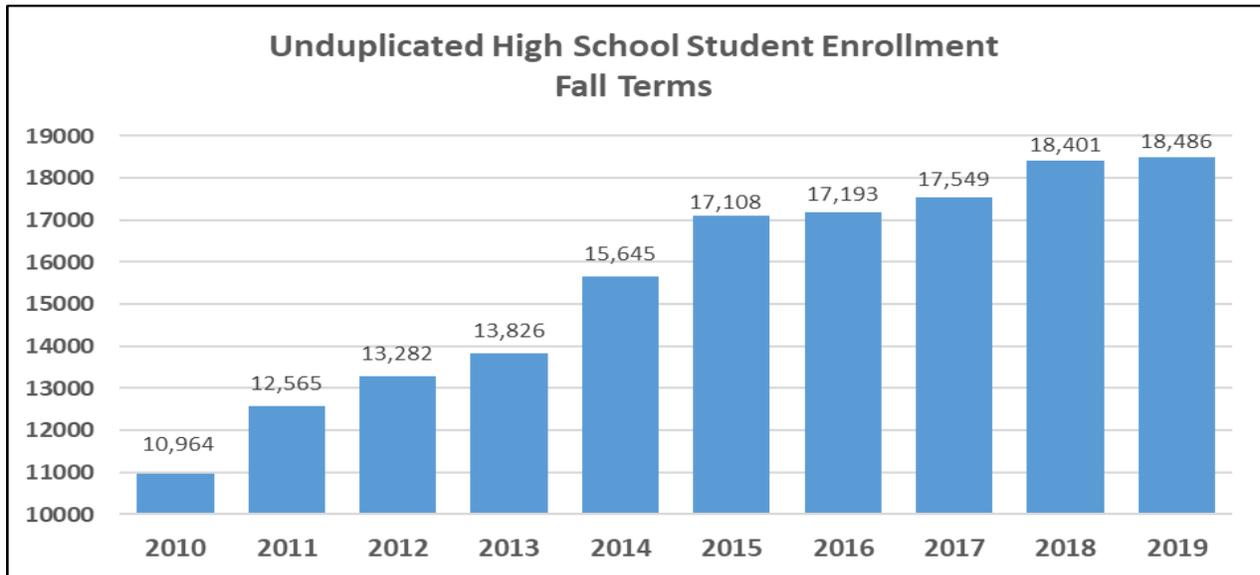
The 2-Year Public Colleges reported their first fall term enrollment increase since fall 2011 where they reported their highest enrollment of 61,936.



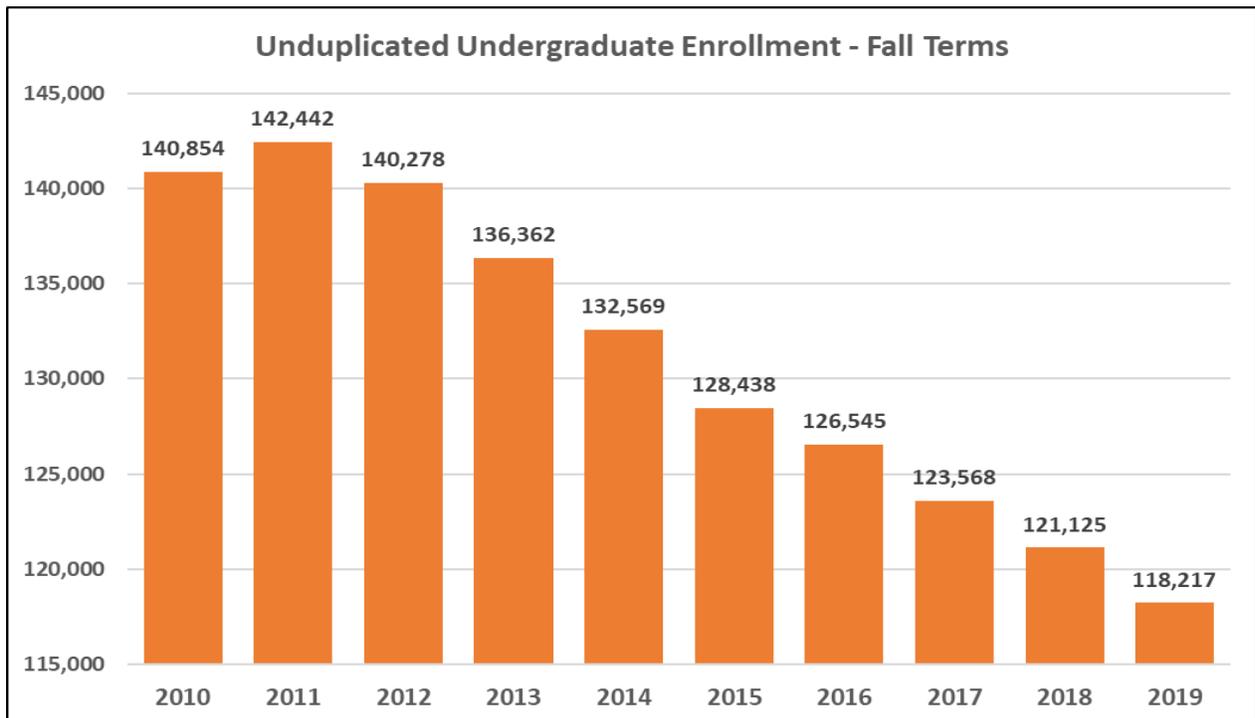
The Private/Independent Colleges fall term enrollment has declined the last four years. The 17,349 students reported in fall 2011 is their largest fall enrollment ever.



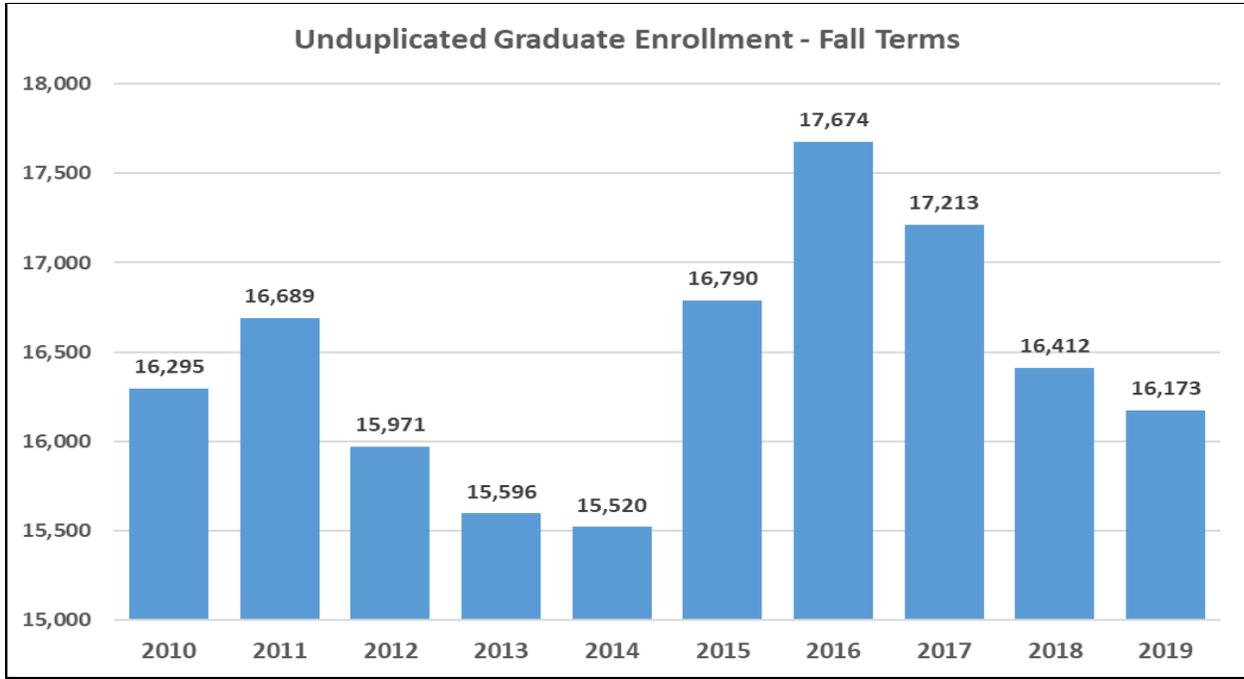
High School student enrollment, including both concurrent and dually enrolled students, continued to increase, but fall 2019 gained only 85 students over fall 2018 high school student enrollment. Each fall term, about 700 or 4 percent of high school students enroll in courses at more than one institution.



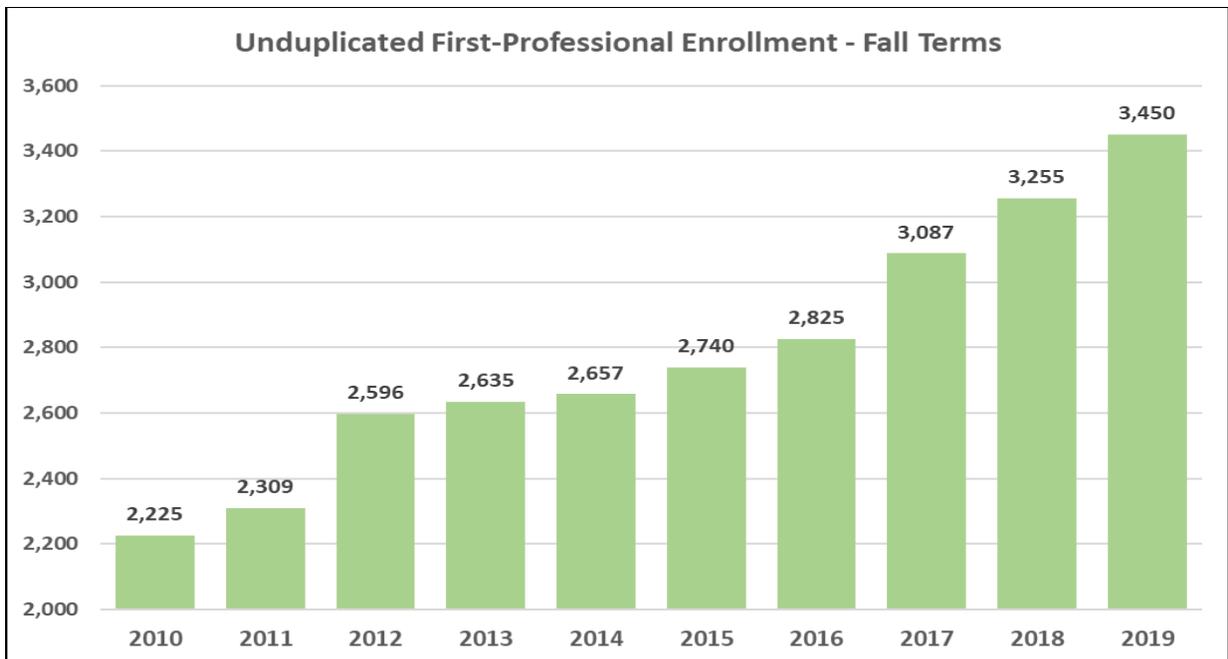
Undergraduate enrollment had its largest decline in five years of -2.6 percent. The largest undergraduate class on record is 142,442 reported in fall 2011. Undergraduate enrollment reported here does not include high school student enrollment.



Graduate enrollment for all public and private institutions is reporting a decline for the third year in a row. The largest graduate enrollment on record was reported in fall 2016 at 17,674.



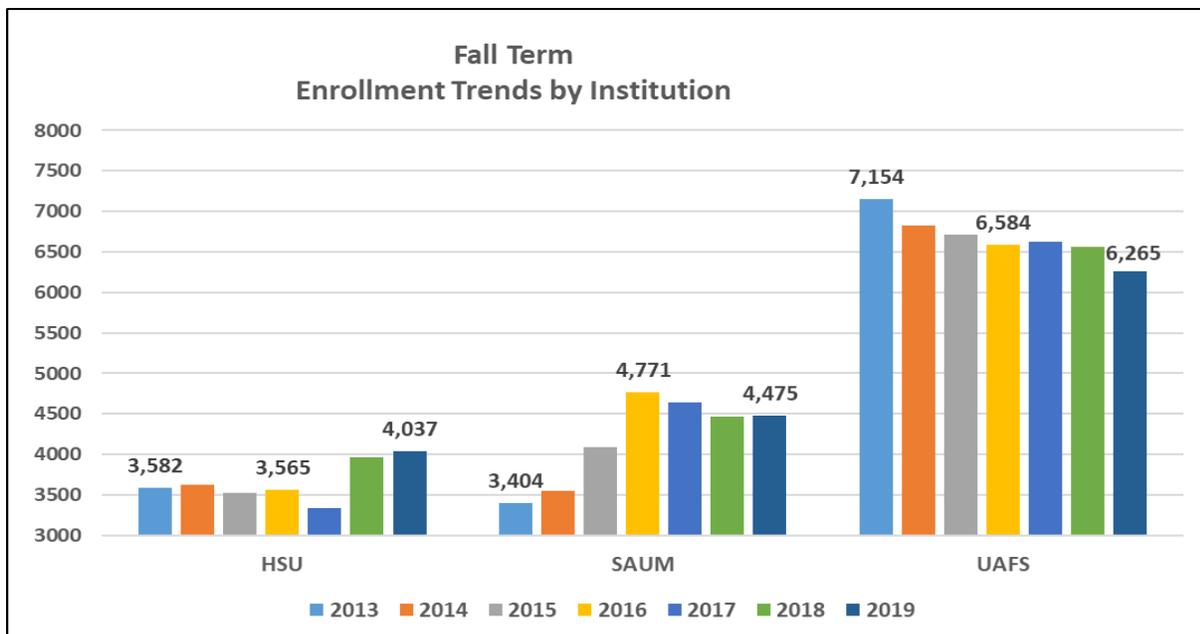
First-Professional enrollment has grown each of the last ten years. Enrollment includes students in law, medicine, pharmacy, advanced nursing programs, occupational and physical therapies.

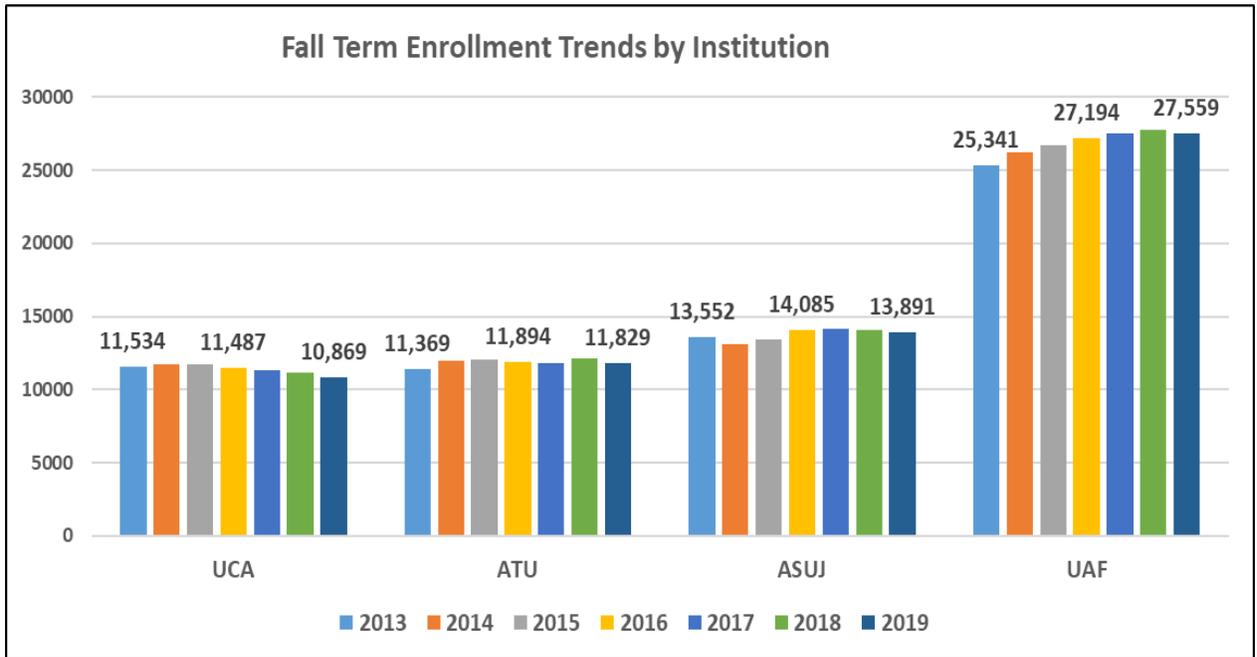
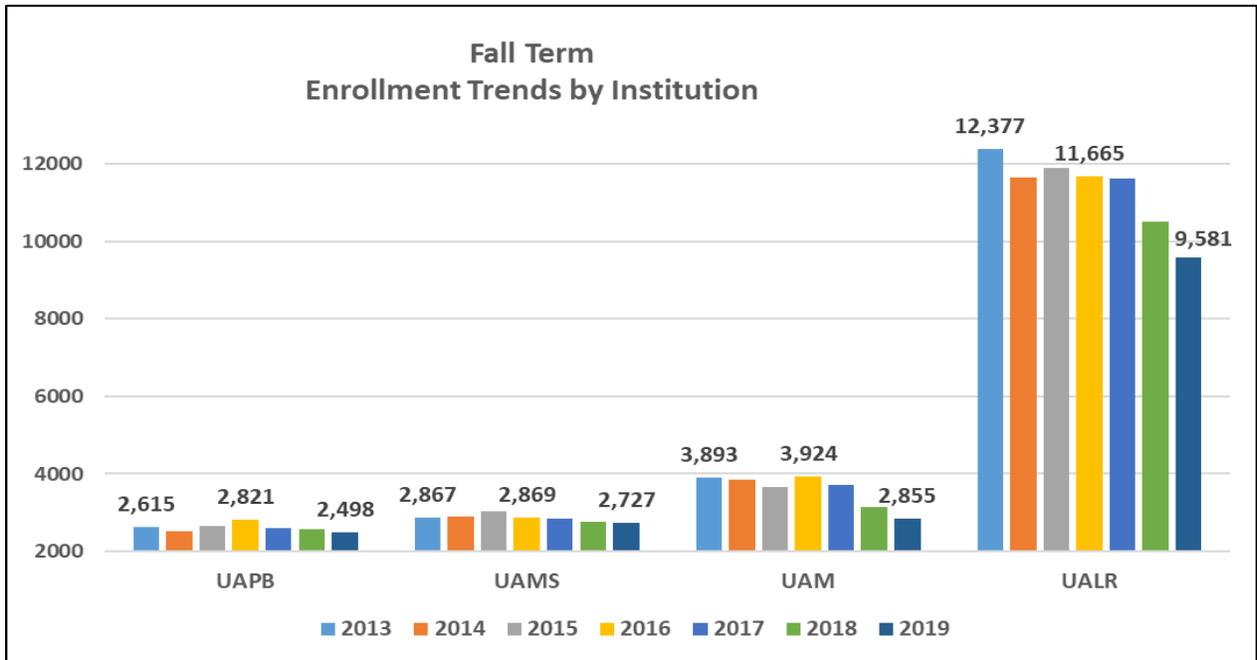


Public 4-Year College Fall Term Enrollment Trends

The following charts provide a five- and seven-year fall term enrollment trend for all public 4-year universities. Actual enrollment counts in the graphs are provided for fall terms 2013, 2016 and 2019. Henderson State University and Southern Arkansas University-Magnolia were the only two 4-Year universities reporting an increase in fall term enrollment for fall 2019.

Public Universities - Total Enrollment Trends							
	Fall Term					Change from Fall 2015	Change from Fall 2018
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
ASUJ	13,410	14,085	14,144	14,058	13,891	3.6%	-1.2%
ATU	12,054	11,894	11,830	12,101	11,829	-1.9%	-2.2%
HSU	3,529	3,565	3,336	3,959	4,037	14.4%	2.0%
SAUM	4,095	4,771	4,643	4,468	4,475	9.3%	0.2%
UAF	26,754	27,194	27,558	27,778	27,559	3.0%	-0.8%
UAFS	6,710	6,584	6,626	6,557	6,265	-6.6%	-4.5%
UALR	11,891	11,665	11,624	10,515	9,581	-19.4%	-8.9%
UAM	3,646	3,924	3,700	3,132	2,855	-21.7%	-8.8%
UAMS	3,021	2,869	2,834	2,758	2,727	-9.7%	-1.1%
UAPB	2,658	2,821	2,612	2,579	2,498	-6.0%	-3.1%
UCA	11,754	11,487	11,350	11,177	10,869	-7.5%	-2.8%

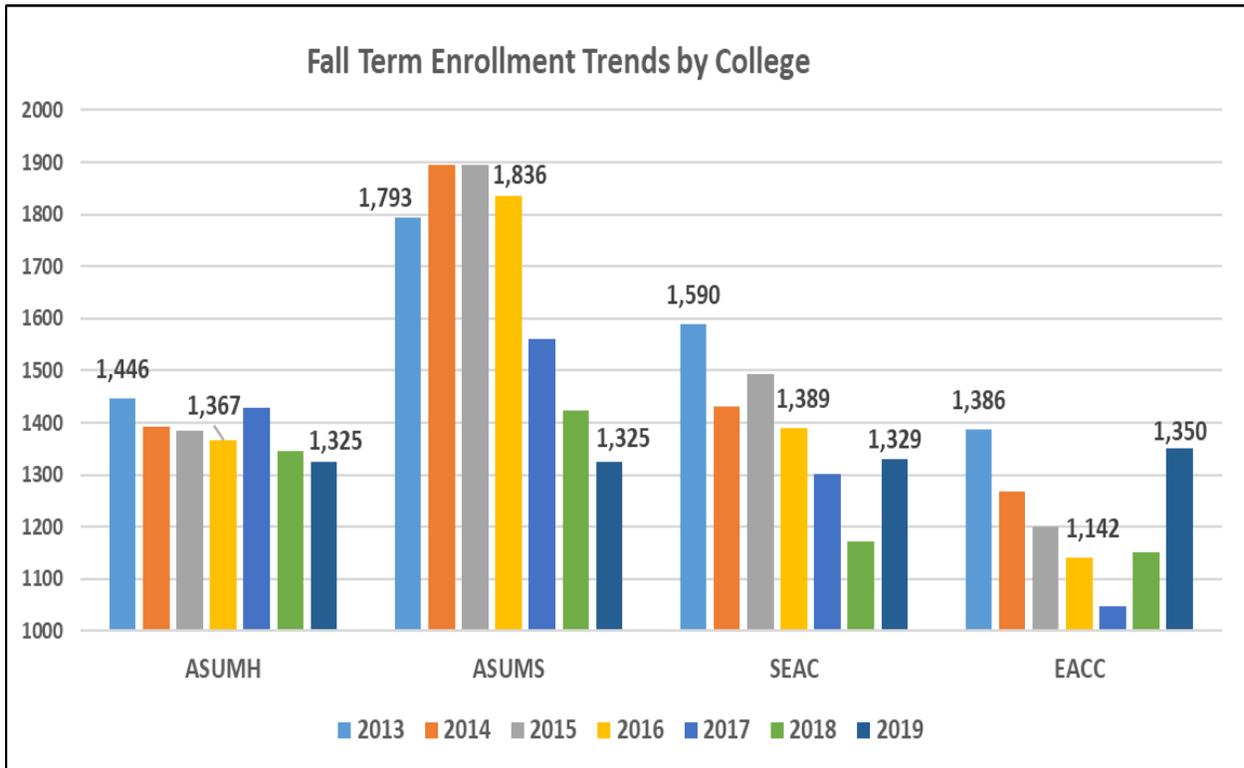
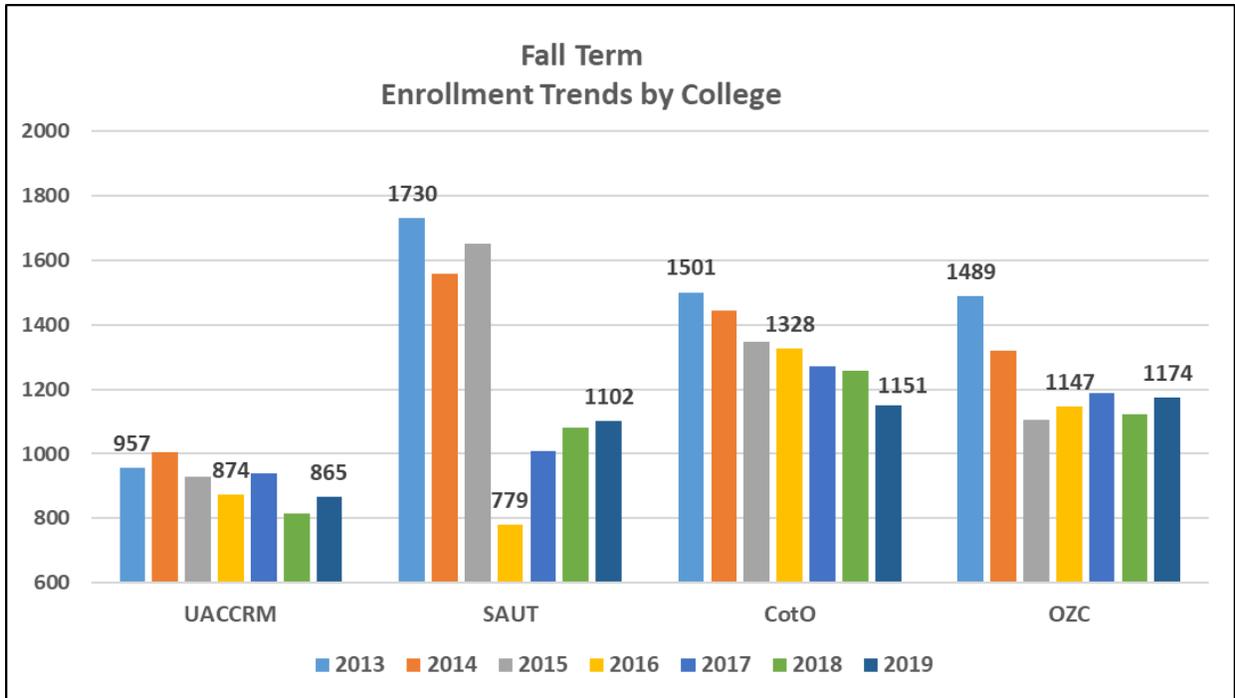


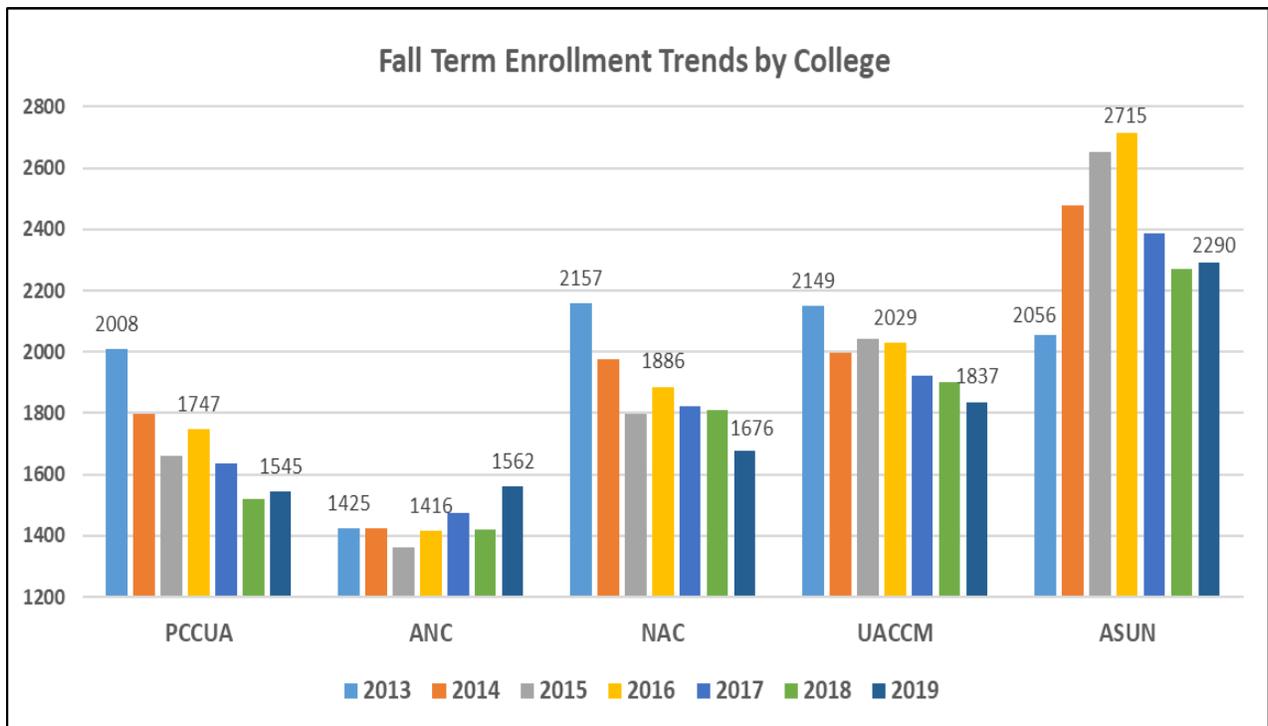
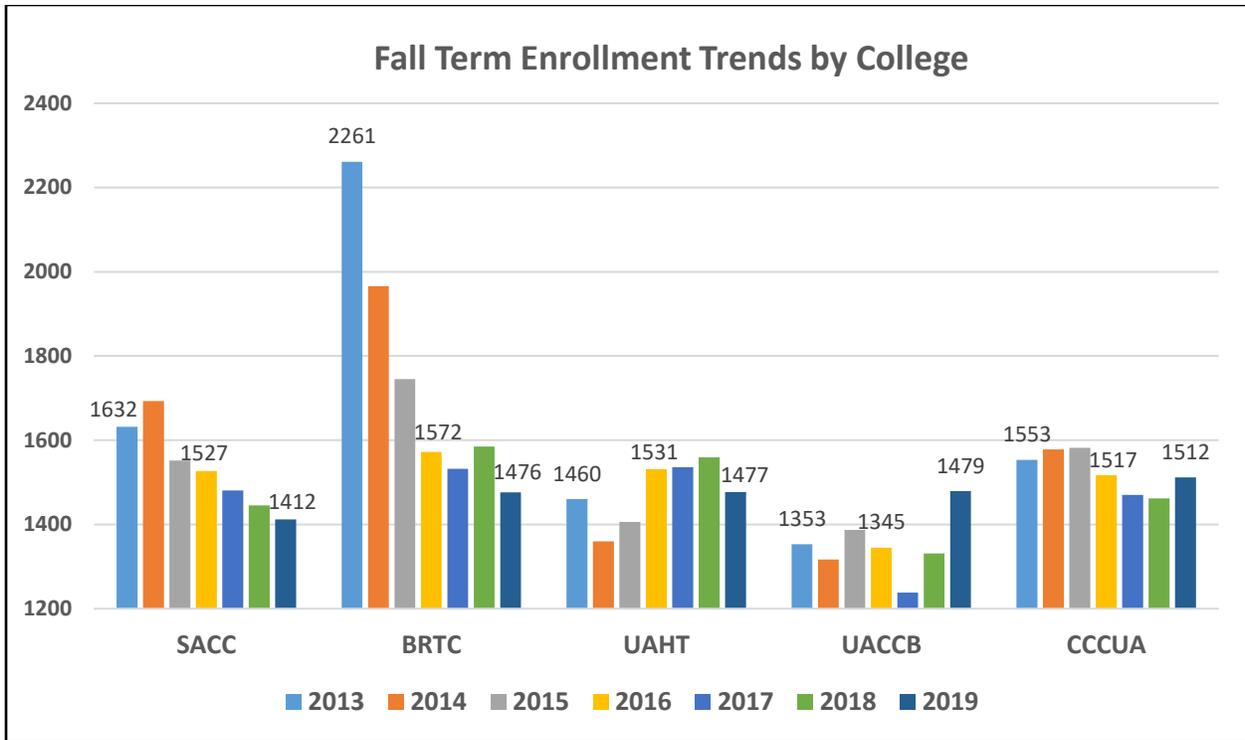


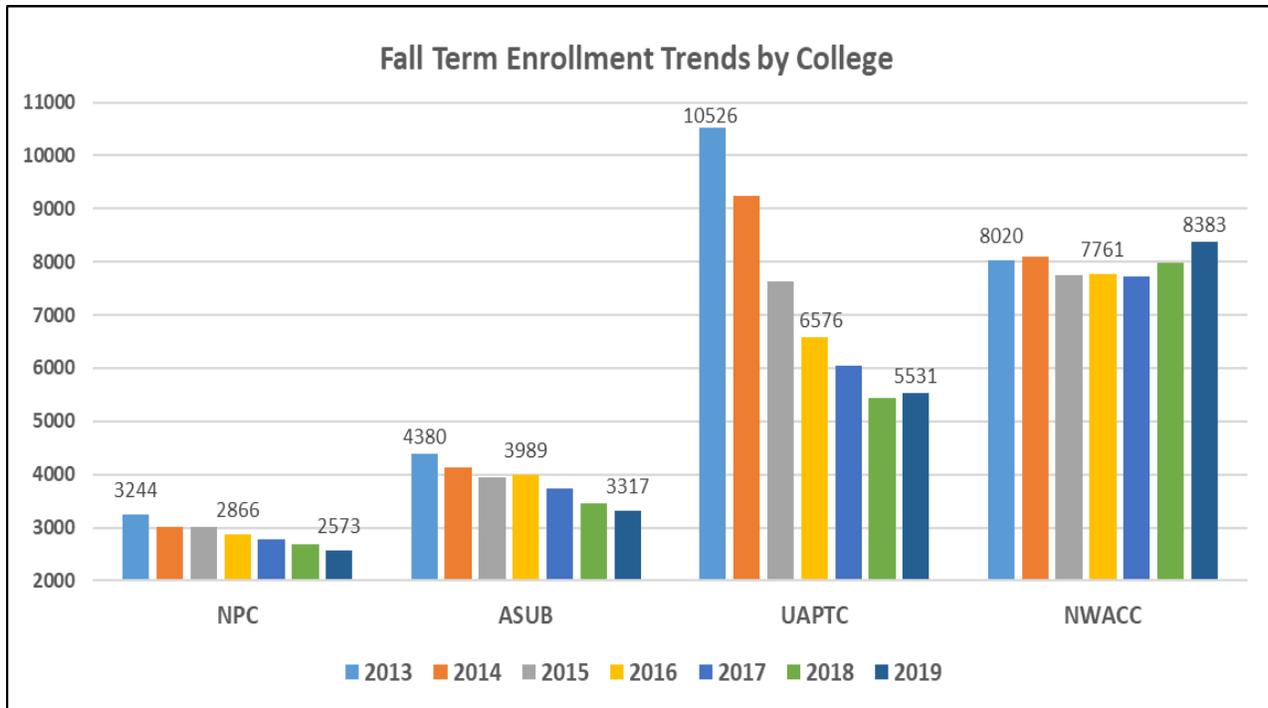
Public 2-Year College Fall Term Enrollment Trends

The following charts provide a five- and seven-year fall term enrollment trend for all public 2-year colleges. Actual enrollment counts in the graphs are provided for fall terms 2013, 2016 and 2019. Colleges are grouped by similar enrollment counts to allow for better graphing results. Twelve 2-Year colleges reported an increase in fall term enrollment. East Arkansas Community College showed 17.3% growth, which was the largest percent increase. College of the Ouachitas reported the largest decline in fall term enrollment at 8.6%. Only six 2-year colleges reported a one year increase in the Fall 2018.

2-Year Colleges - Total Enrollment Trends							
	Fall Term					Change from Fall 2015	Change from Fall 2018
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
ANC	1,361	1,416	1,474	1,422	1,562	14.8%	9.8%
ASUB	3,935	3,989	3,739	3,446	3,317	-15.7%	-3.7%
ASUMH	1,384	1,367	1,429	1,345	1,325	-4.3%	-1.5%
ASUMS	1,896	1,836	1,561	1,423	1,325	-30.1%	-6.9%
ASUN	2,651	2,715	2,386	2,270	2,275	-14.2%	0.2%
BRTC	1,745	1,572	1,532	1,585	1,476	-15.4%	-6.9%
CCCUA	1,582	1,517	1,470	1,462	1,512	-4.4%	3.4%
COTO	1,346	1,328	1,272	1,259	1,151	-14.5%	-8.6%
EACC	1,200	1,142	1,047	1,151	1,350	12.5%	17.3%
NAC	1,796	1,886	1,821	1,812	1,676	-6.7%	-7.5%
NPC	3,015	2,866	2,768	2,695	2,573	-14.7%	-4.5%
NWACC	7,744	7,761	7,715	7,979	8,383	8.3%	5.1%
OZC	1,105	1,147	1,187	1,122	1,174	6.2%	4.6%
PCCUA	1,661	1,747	1,636	1,520	1,545	-7.0%	1.6%
SACC	1,552	1,527	1,481	1,445	1,412	-9.0%	-2.3%
SAUT	1,650	779	1,010	1,082	1,102	-33.2%	1.8%
SEAC	1,494	1,389	1,301	1,173	1,329	-11.0%	13.3%
UACCB	1,387	1,345	1,238	1,331	1,479	6.6%	11.1%
UACCM	2,044	2,029	1,921	1,902	1,837	-10.1%	-3.4%
UACCRM	929	874	938	814	865	-6.9%	6.3%
UAHT	1,406	1,531	1,536	1,559	1,477	5.0%	-5.3%
UAPTC	7,641	6,576	6,035	5,445	5,531	-27.6%	1.6%







Private/Independent/Nursing - Total Enrollment Trends

	Fall Term					Change from Fall 2015	Change from Fall 2018
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
BHCLR	597	587	612	558	561	-6.0%	0.5%
JSN	27	47	46	61	46	70.4%	-24.6%
ABC	956	843	529	486	515	-46.1%	6.0%
ACHE	0	0	162	318	515	-	61.9%
CBC	881	832	745	730	518	-41.2%	-29.0%
CCC	0	0	0	92	80	-	-13.0%
CRC	226	229	215	193	185	-18.1%	-4.1%
EC	198	209	190	200	194	-2.0%	-3.0%
HC	1,339	1,328	1,233	1,206	1,121	-16.3%	-7.0%
HU	5,984	5,875	5,511	5,052	4,793	-19.9%	-5.1%
JBU	2,780	2,707	2,613	2,440	2,318	-16.6%	-5.0%
LC	715	689	669	671	661	-7.6%	-1.5%
OBU	1,537	1,494	1,545	1,689	1,633	6.2%	-3.3%
PSC	585	765	891	1,000	996	70.3%	-0.4%
SC	236	408	472	565	568	140.7%	0.5%
UO	651	686	752	872	824	26.6%	-5.5%
WBU	531	464	502	488	554	4.3%	13.5%