



MONTANA
UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

MUS Enrollment Report

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MT University System Enrollment for Entire System

This dashboard presents information on FTE for the MUS as a system. Census data prior to Fall 2016 is not available for Flathead Valley Community College and is excluded from totals for those periods. Please see our Headcount dashboard at <https://mus.edu/data/dashboards/headcount.asp> for headcount and demographic information. **Census records are not gathered for Summer or Fiscal Year and are only available for this dashboard to 2010. If selected a blank page will be displayed.**

Measurement Period

Fall

Event Type

Census

Campus Type

All

Fiscal Year

Multiple values

Residency

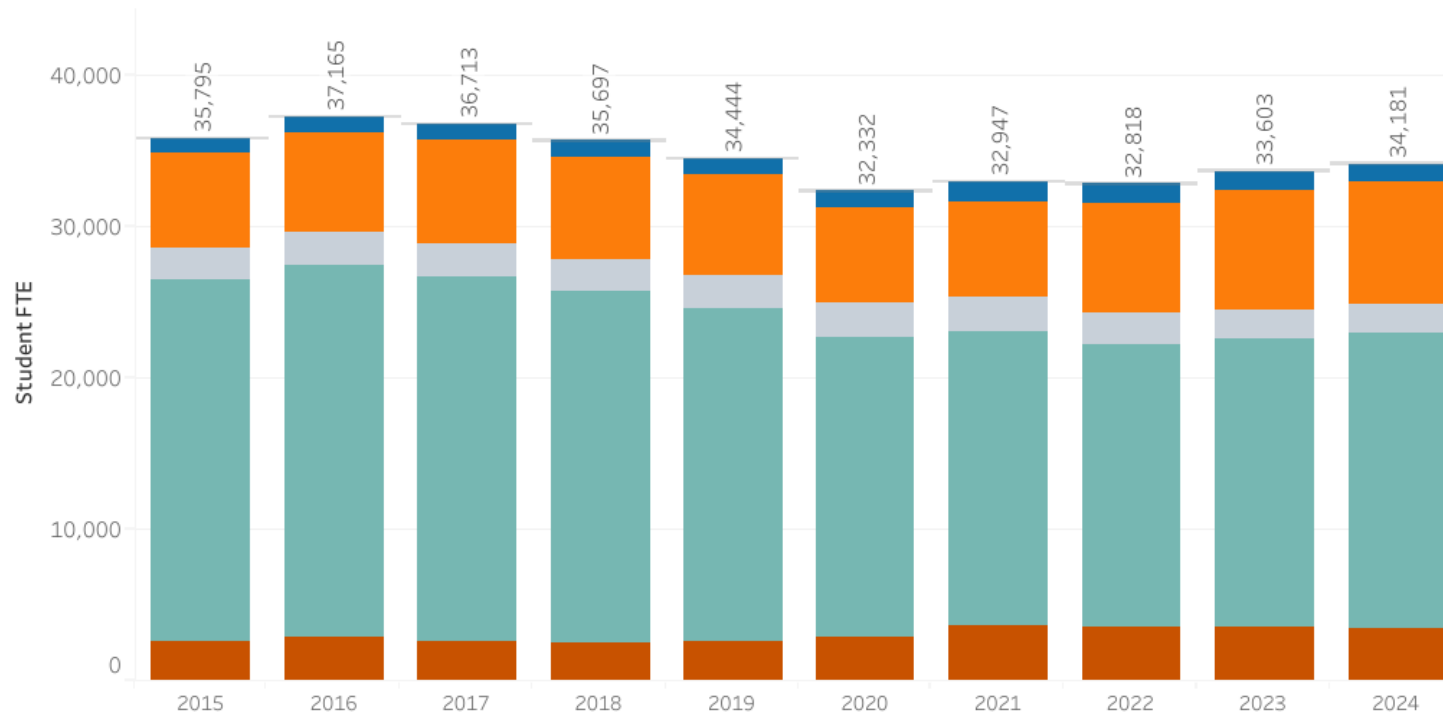
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Student Population

All

Student Population

- Non-Resident Gradua..
- Non-Resident Underg..
- Resident Graduate
- Resident Undergradu..
- WUE



Residency	Student Population	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Resident	Resident Undergra..	23,793	24,624	24,067	23,154	21,952	19,955	19,375	18,714	19,050	19,429
	Resident Graduate	2,068	2,170	2,220	2,164	2,108	2,168	2,167	1,980	1,928	1,931
	Total	25,861	26,794	26,286	25,318	24,060	22,123	21,543	20,693	20,978	21,360
Non-Reside..	Non-Resident Und..	6,357	6,522	6,746	6,726	6,673	6,298	6,399	7,362	7,799	8,045
	WUE	2,665	2,794	2,598	2,551	2,641	2,796	3,739	3,510	3,551	3,489
	Non-Resident Grad..	913	1,054	1,082	1,103	1,070	1,115	1,266	1,253	1,275	1,286
	Total	9,934	10,371	10,426	10,379	10,384	10,210	11,404	12,125	12,625	12,821
Total		35,796	37,165	36,713	35,697	34,444	32,332	32,947	32,818	33,603	34,181

MUS Enrollment Demographics

Headcounts are based on Census data snapshots taken during the 3rd week of the term. Terms prior to Fall 2016 do not include FVCC. Hover the mouse cursor over the bars and numbers in the tables for more statistics regarding the headcounts.



Measurement Period
Fall

Group By
Age

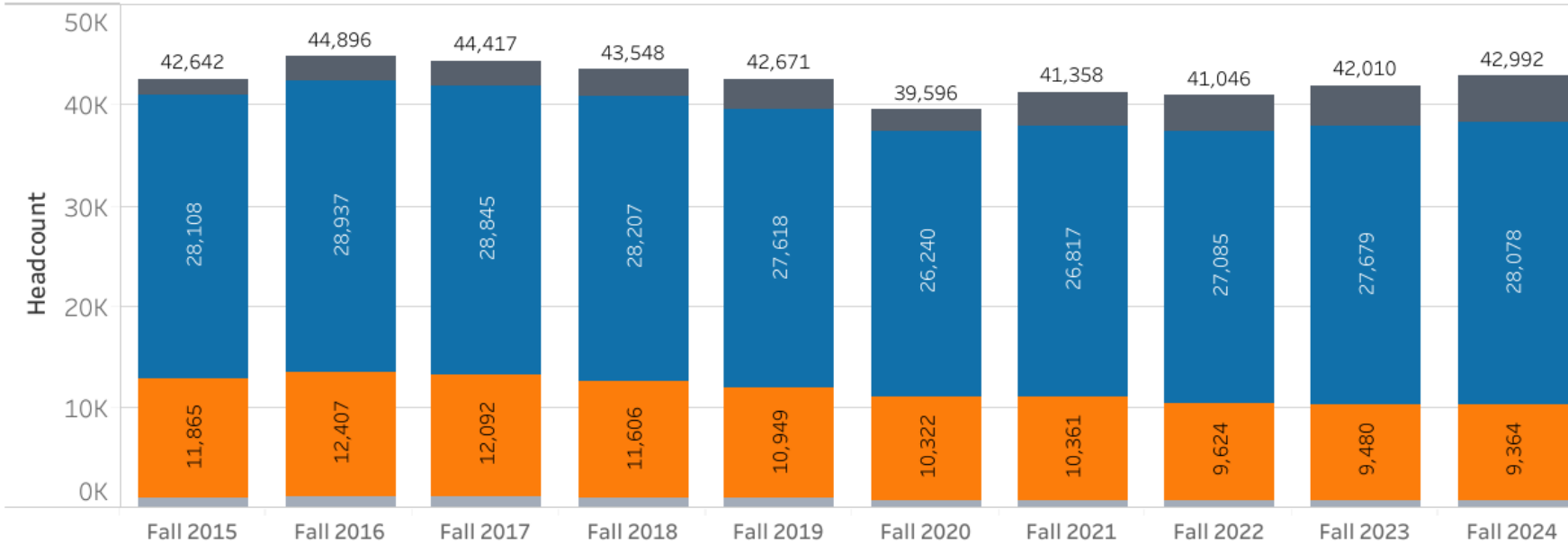
Locale
All

Campus
All

Grouping

- < 18 Years
- 18-24 Years
- 25-49 Years
- 50+ Years
- Unknown

<h2 style="margin: 0;">Fall 2024 Headcount</h2> <h1 style="font-size: 2em; margin: 10px 0;">42,992</h1>	<h2 style="margin: 0;">Headcount Percent Change</h2> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 5px 0;">Compared to Previous Year</p> <h1 style="font-size: 2em; margin: 10px 0;">2.3%</h1>
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MUS Headcounts

	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019	Fall 2020	Fall 2021	Fall 2022	Fall 2023	Fall 2024
< 18 Years	1,661	2,433	2,401	2,738	3,138	2,184	3,371	3,560	4,041	4,684
18-24 Years	28,108	28,937	28,845	28,207	27,618	26,240	26,817	27,085	27,679	28,078
25-49 Years	11,865	12,407	12,092	11,606	10,949	10,322	10,361	9,624	9,480	9,364
50+ Years	1,004	1,116	1,074	995	964	849	809	776	809	865
Unknown	4	3	5	2	2	1	1	1	1	1
Grand Total	42,642	44,896	44,417	43,548	42,671	39,596	41,358	41,046	42,010	42,992

MUS First-time Freshman

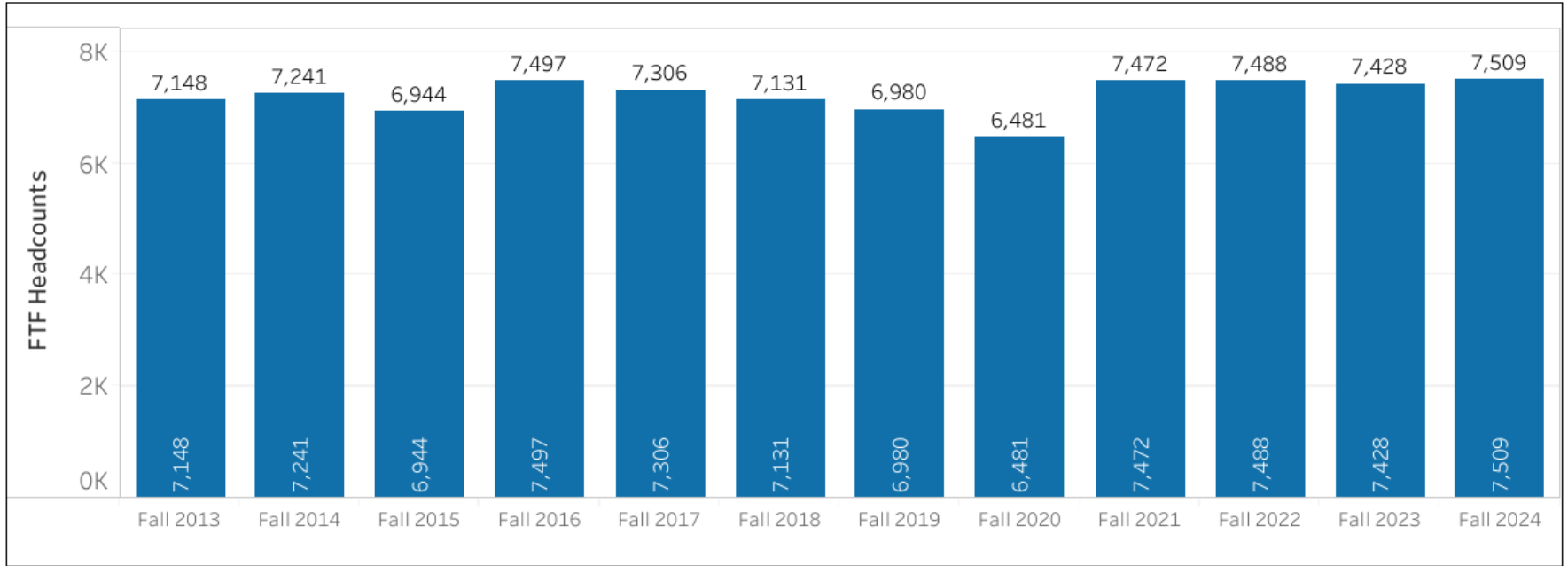
Incoming Freshman classes for fall term, excluding transfer students. Totals do not include FVCC prior to Fall 2016. Student counts are from the Census (3rd week of school) and only include paid and confirmed (those who have a commitment to pay) students.



Group By: All Students Traditional Freshman: All Campus: All Locale: All

Grouping
■ All Students

<h2 style="margin: 0;">Fall 2024 First Time Freshman</h2> <p style="font-size: 2em; margin: 20px 0;">7,509</p>	<h2 style="margin: 0;">First Time Freshman Percent Change</h2> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 5px 0;">Compared to Previous Year</p> <p style="font-size: 2em; margin: 20px 0;">1.1%</p>
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	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019	Fall 2020	Fall 2021	Fall 2022	Fall 2023	Fall 2024
All Students	7,148	7,241	6,944	7,497	7,306	7,131	6,980	6,481	7,472	7,488	7,428	7,509
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MUS First-time Freshman

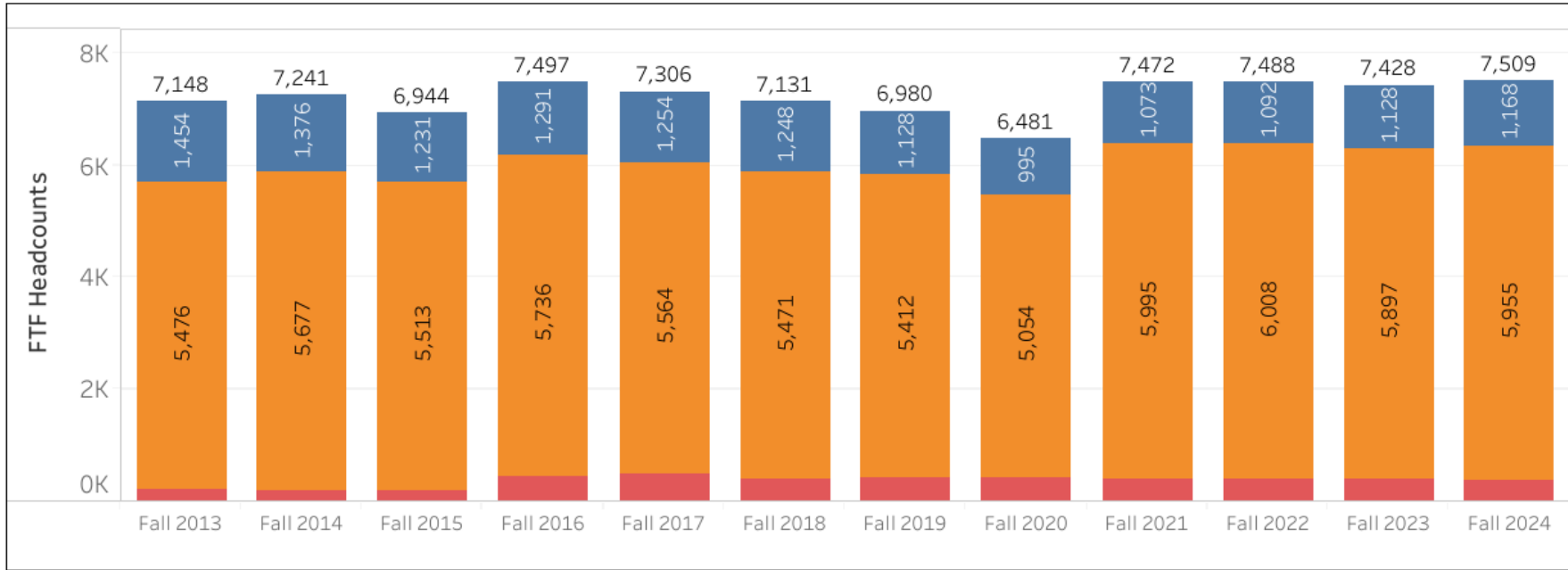
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Group By
Campus Type Traditional Freshman
All Campus
All Locale
All

Grouping
■ 2 Year
■ 4 Year
■ Community College

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	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019	Fall 2020	Fall 2021	Fall 2022	Fall 2023	Fall 2024
2 Year	1,454	1,376	1,231	1,291	1,254	1,248	1,128	995	1,073	1,092	1,128	1,168
4 Year	5,476	5,677	5,513	5,736	5,564	5,471	5,412	5,054	5,995	6,008	5,897	5,955
Community College	218	188	200	470	488	412	440	432	404	388	403	386
Grand Total	7,148	7,241	6,944	7,497	7,306	7,131	6,980	6,481	7,472	7,488	7,428	7,509

MUS First-time Freshman

Incoming Freshman classes for fall term, excluding transfer students. Totals do not include FVCC prior to Fall 2016. Student counts are from the Census (3rd week of school) and only include paid and confirmed (those who have a commitment to pay) students.



Group By
Residency

Traditional Freshman
All

Campus
All

Locale
All

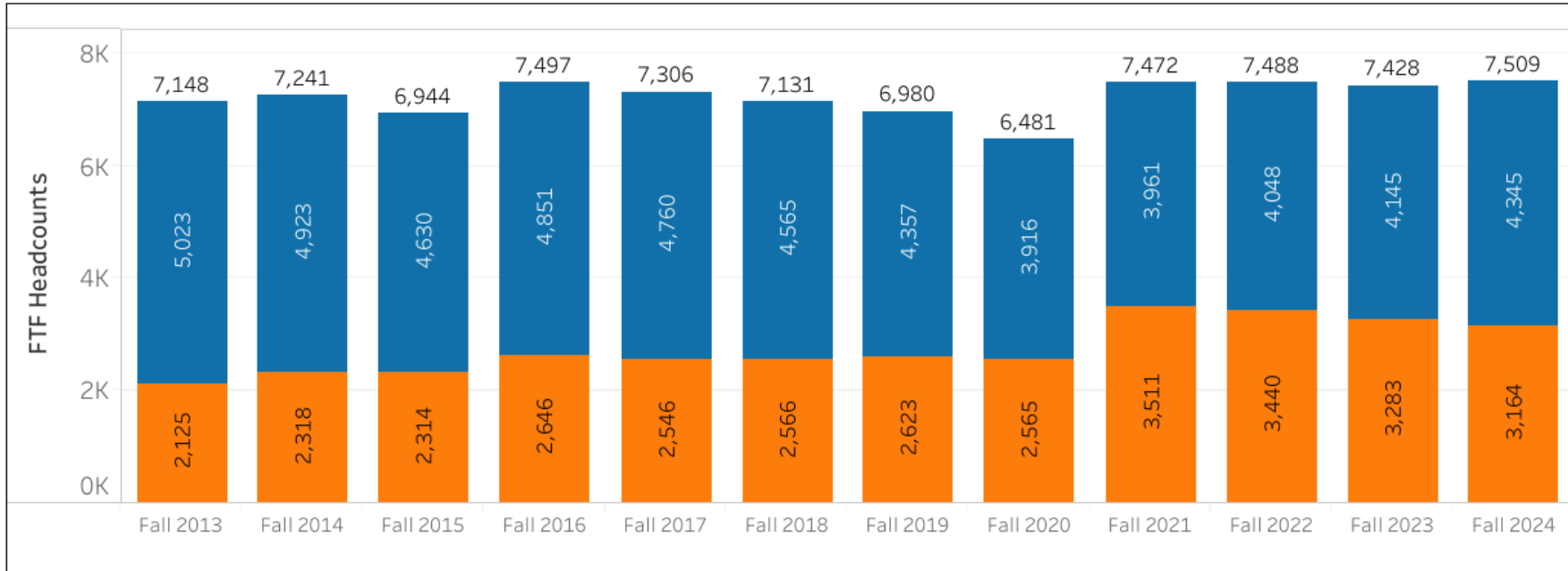
Grouping
■ In State
■ Out of State

Fall 2024 First Time Freshman

7,509

First Time Freshman Percent Change
Compared to Previous Year

1.1%

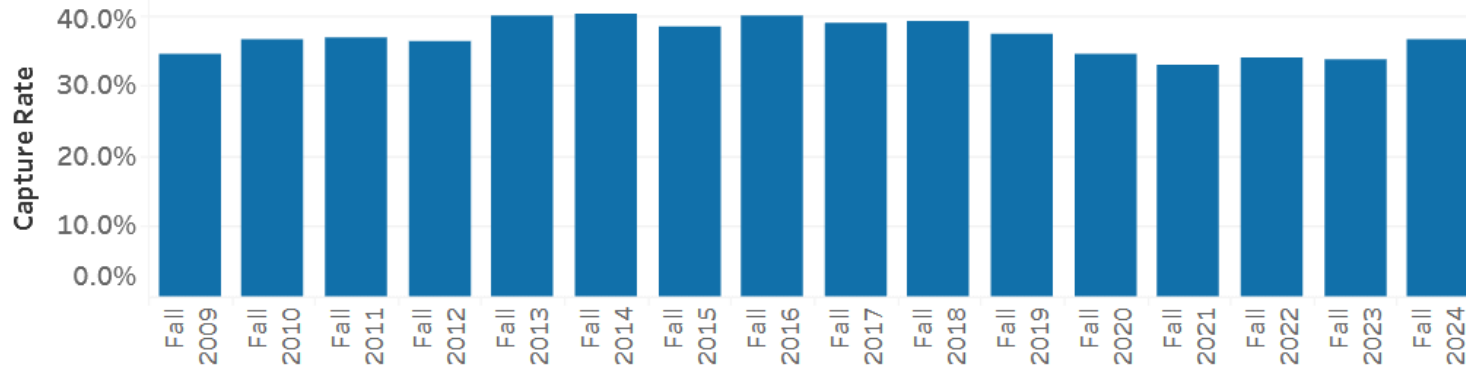


	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019	Fall 2020	Fall 2021	Fall 2022	Fall 2023	Fall 2024
In State	5,023	4,923	4,630	4,851	4,760	4,565	4,357	3,916	3,961	4,048	4,145	4,345
Out of State	2,125	2,318	2,314	2,646	2,546	2,566	2,623	2,565	3,511	3,440	3,283	3,164
Grand Total	7,148	7,241	6,944	7,497	7,306	7,131	6,980	6,481	7,472	7,488	7,428	7,509



First Time Freshman Capture Rates

Capture rates presented here are the percentage of Montana high school (public or private school) graduates who enroll in the MUS during the fall immediately after high school graduation. Homeschool students are not included in this report.



Campus Type

Campus

Full Time / Part Time

Student Counts

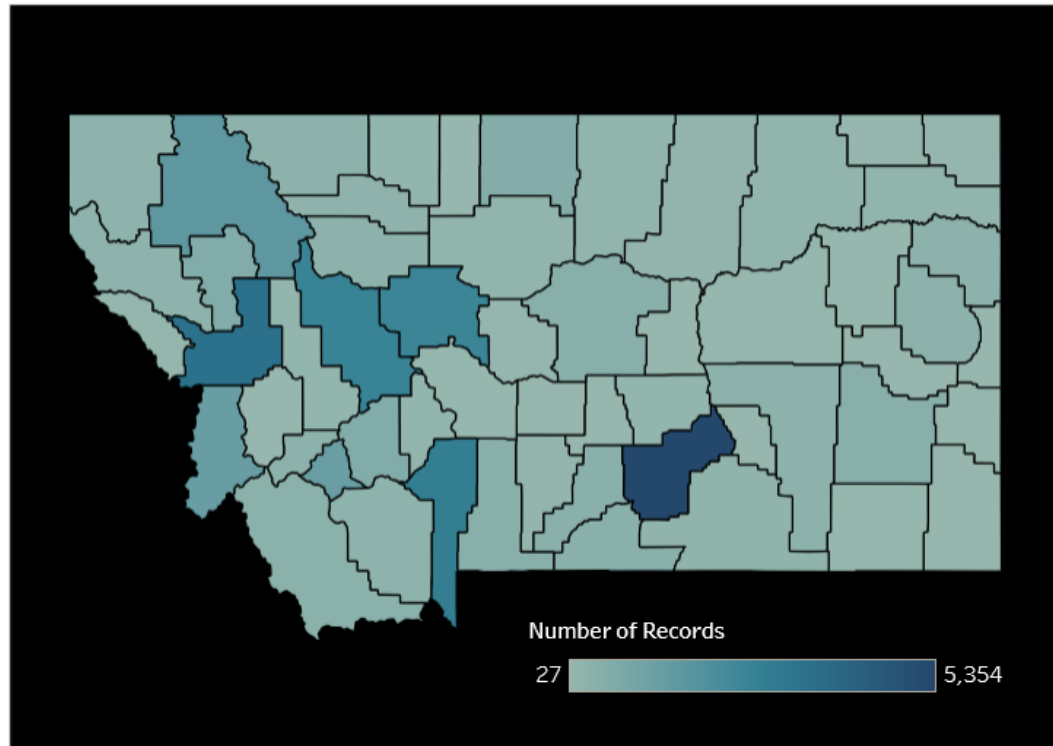
First Time Freshman only include Montana high school graduates who enrolled in the fall immediately after High School graduation.

Year	High School Graduates	First Time Freshmen	Capture Rate
Fall 2013	9,111	3,647	40.0%
Fall 2014	9,273	3,731	40.2%
Fall 2015	9,161	3,506	38.3%
Fall 2016	9,124	3,642	39.9%
Fall 2017	9,157	3,552	38.8%
Fall 2018	8,983	3,525	39.2%
Fall 2019	9,002	3,362	37.3%
Fall 2020	8,999	3,107	34.5%
Fall 2021	9,056	2,975	32.9%
Fall 2022	9,310	3,157	33.9%
Fall 2023	9,265	3,131	33.8%
Fall 2024	9,265	3,391	36.6%

*Number of graduates provided for this report is the count as determined by the Office of Public Instruction via GEMS (<https://gems.opi.mt.gov/student-data>). Graduate numbers for the 2023-24 school year will be available in March of 2025 and will be updated at that time. Fall 2024 values are based on the numbers for the 2022-23 high school graduating class.

First Time Freshman Recruits by County Since 2011

*Data not available for Flathead Valley CC

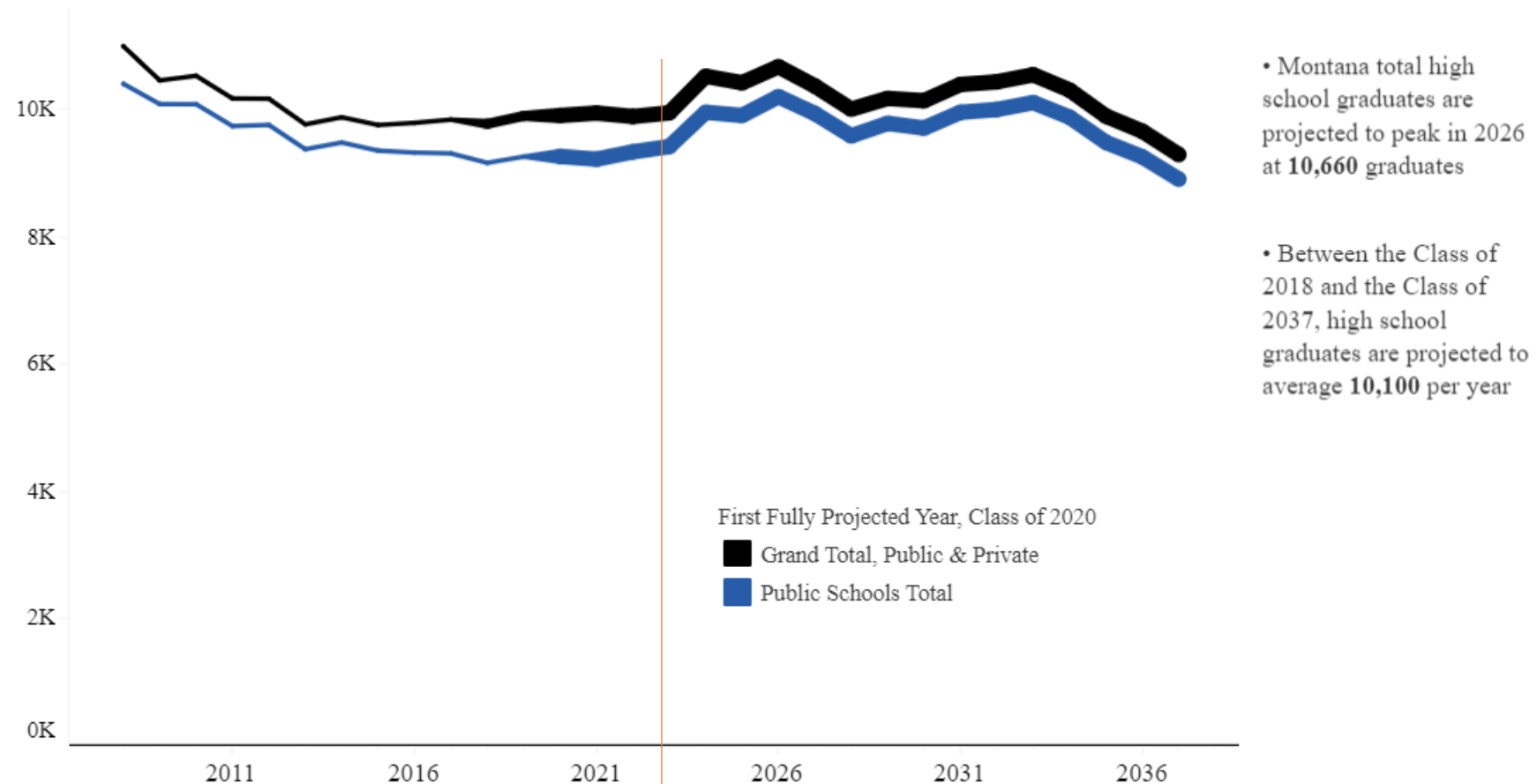




Montana High School Graduate Projections

KNOCKING
AT THE COLLEGE DOOR

Total & Public High School Graduates, Class of 2008 to 2037

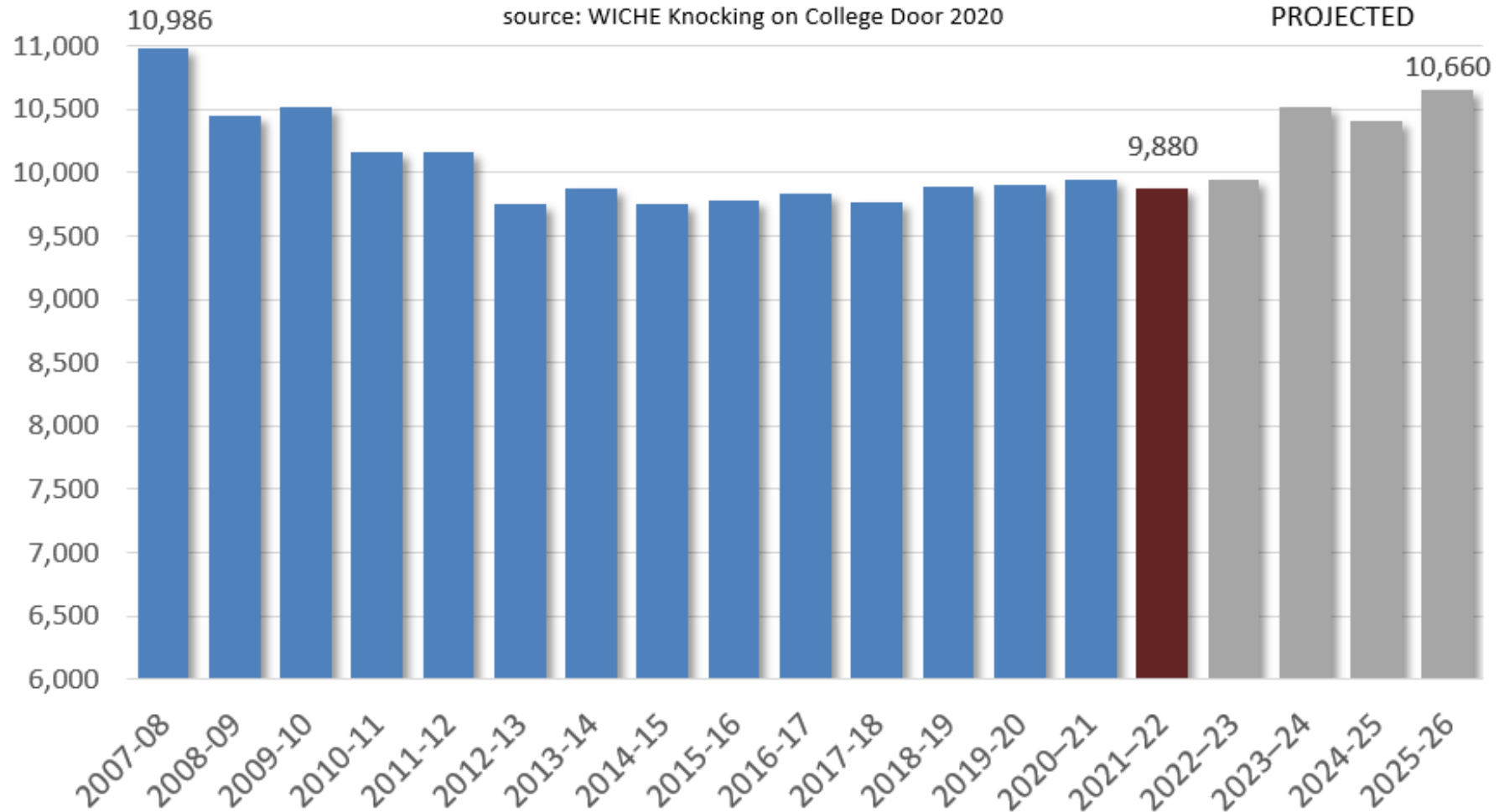




Montana High School Graduates

Public & Private High School Graduates

source: WICHE Knocking on College Door 2020





Discussion