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Every year colleges and universities submit a Graduated Student File to the Arkansas Higher Education Information System (AHEIS). This file contains a record for every certificate and degree awarded to students by the institution between July 1st and June 30th of each year. This year's annual report includes AY 2022 credentials awarded between July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022.

Statewide Trends

Arkansas higher education institutions overall experienced an increase of 3.7% in the number of credentials awarded in 2022 compared to 2021. There was an increase of 1,773 credentials awarded in 2022. The 4-year universities had a slight decrease of .6%, while the 2-year colleges reported an increase from 2021 to 2022 of 11.5%. The private and independent colleges and universities reported a decrease of 3.9% in the number of credentials awarded. Our Nursing Schools and Northwest Technical Institute experienced the largest percentage increase comparing 2021 to 2022 of almost 16%.

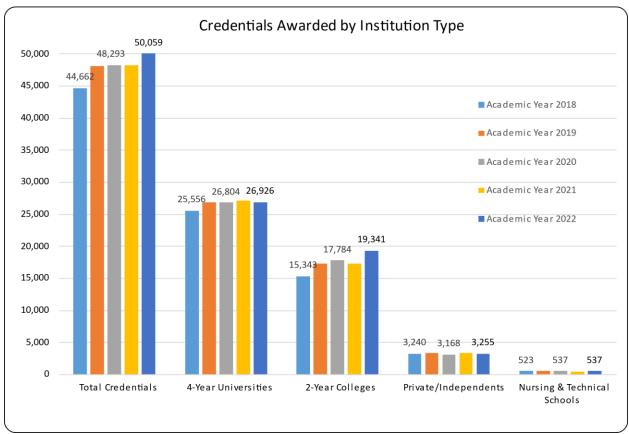


Chart 5-1: Five-Year History of Credentials Awarded by Institution Type

Bachelor's degrees awarded in 2022 compared to 2021 decreased by 6.0%, while Associate degrees increased by 8.7%. Technical Certificates increased by 3.9%, while Certificates of Proficiency experienced a large increase of 23.8% as reported below in Chart 5.2. There were 141 nursing diplomas and 42 advanced certificates conferred in 2021 that are not included on chart 5.2.

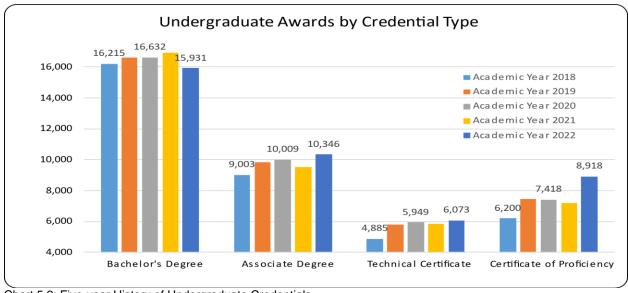


Chart 5.2: Five-year History of Undergraduate Credentials

Seven out of eleven 4-year public universities reported an increase of Postbaccalaureate Certificates awarded. The range of increases were between 4 and 96.

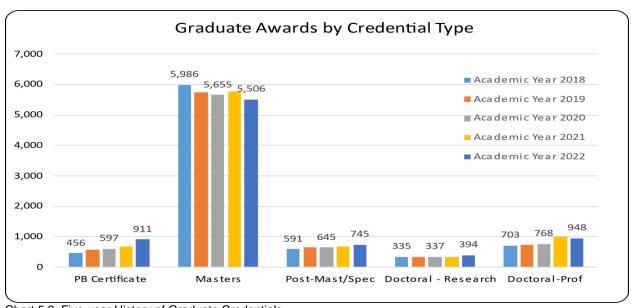


Chart 5.3: Five-year History of Graduate Credentials

Credential Trends by Institution

Charts 5.4 through 5.13 provide a five-year history of credentials awarded by each institution. Four of eleven 4-year universities reported an increase in credentials awarded. Increases ranged between 1.1% and 18.7%. For the 2-year colleges, 15 of 22 reported an increase in the number of credentials awarded in 2022 over 2021. 9 of 18 Private Institutions saw an increase in the number of credentials awarded.

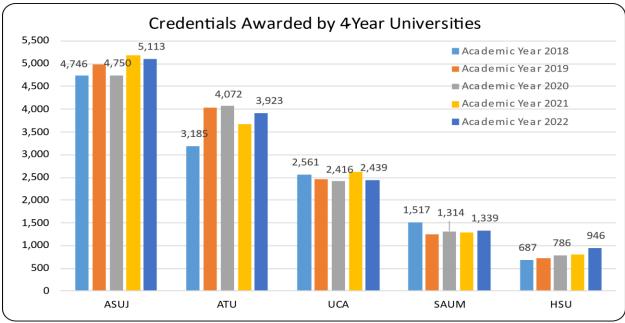


Chart 5.4: Five-year History of Credentials

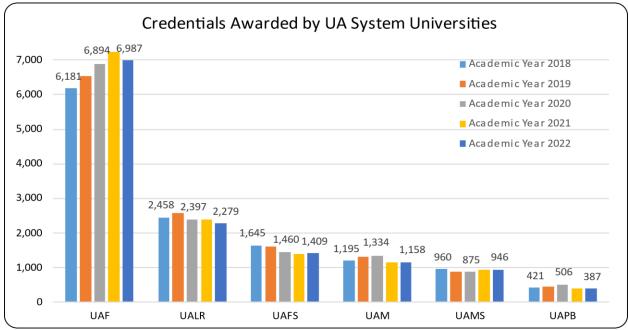


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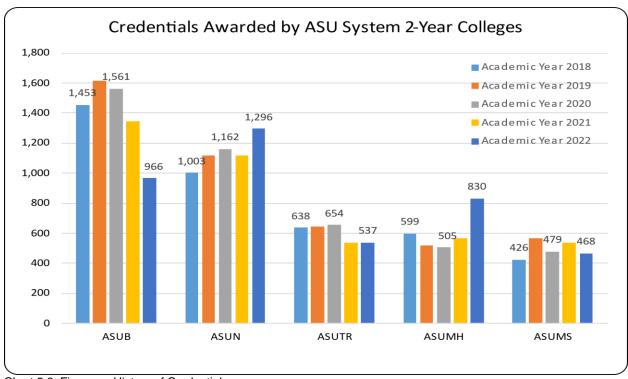


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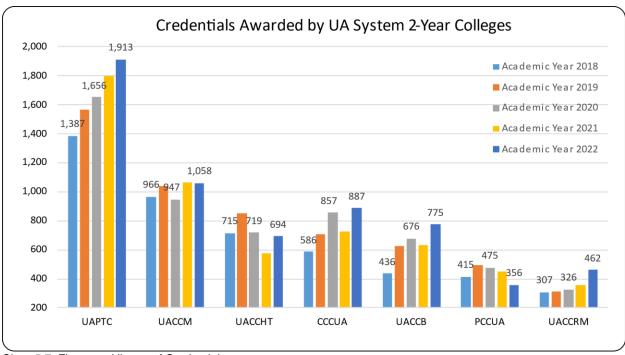


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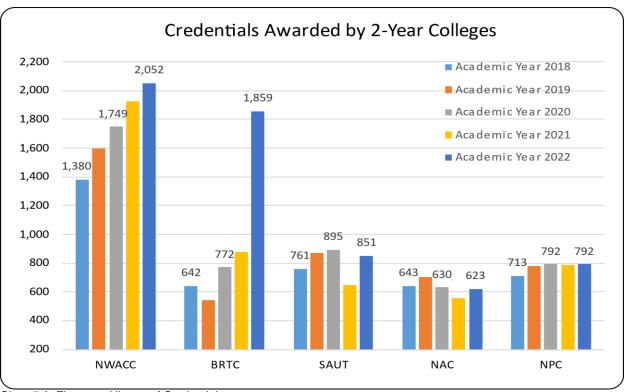


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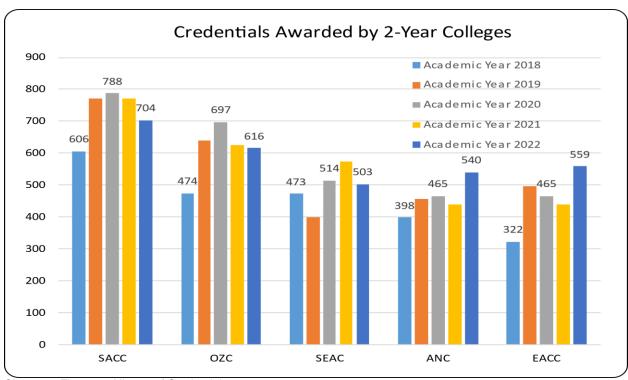


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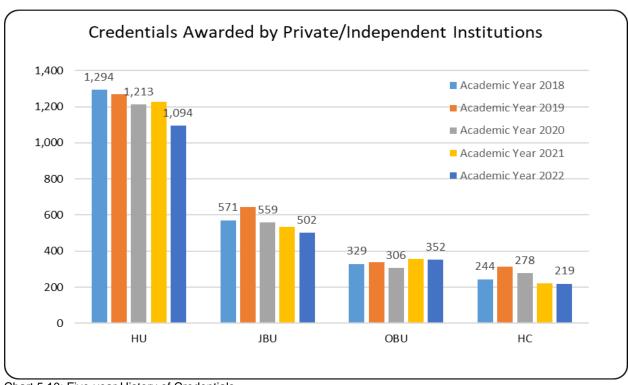


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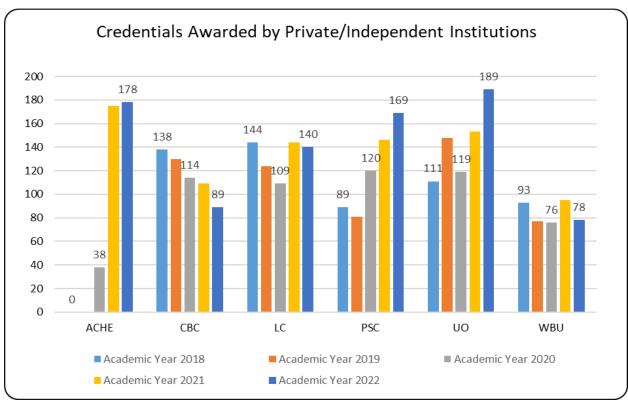


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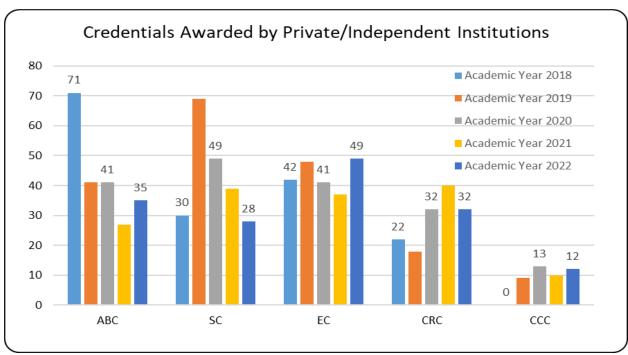


Chart 5.12: Five-year History of Credentials

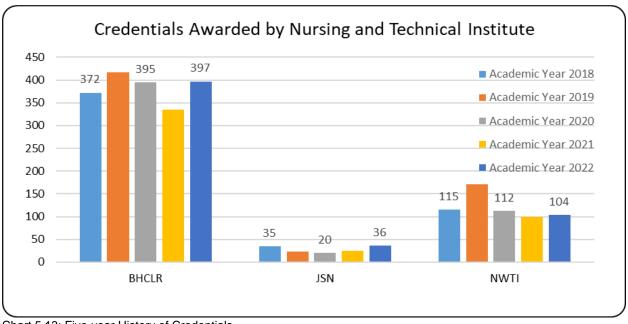


Chart 5.13: Five-year History of Credentials