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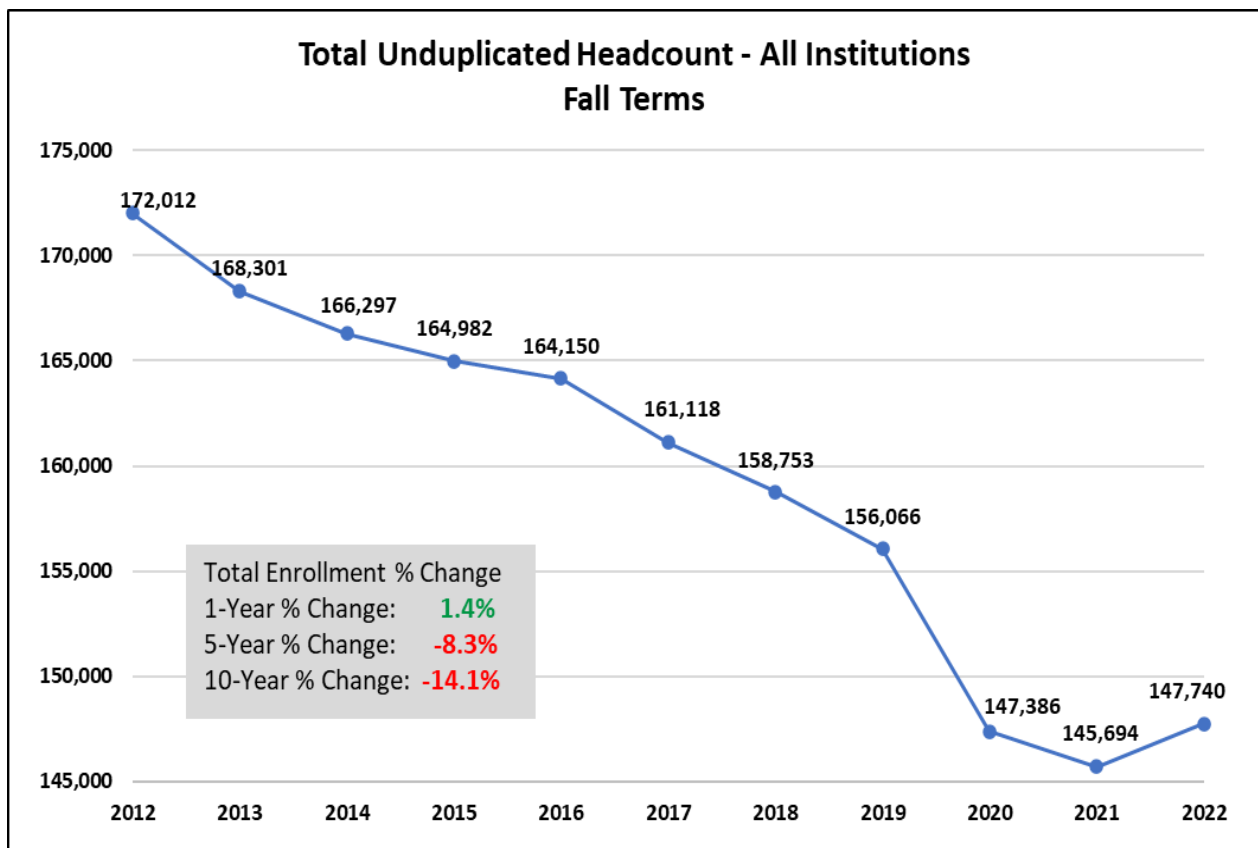
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Fall Student Headcount

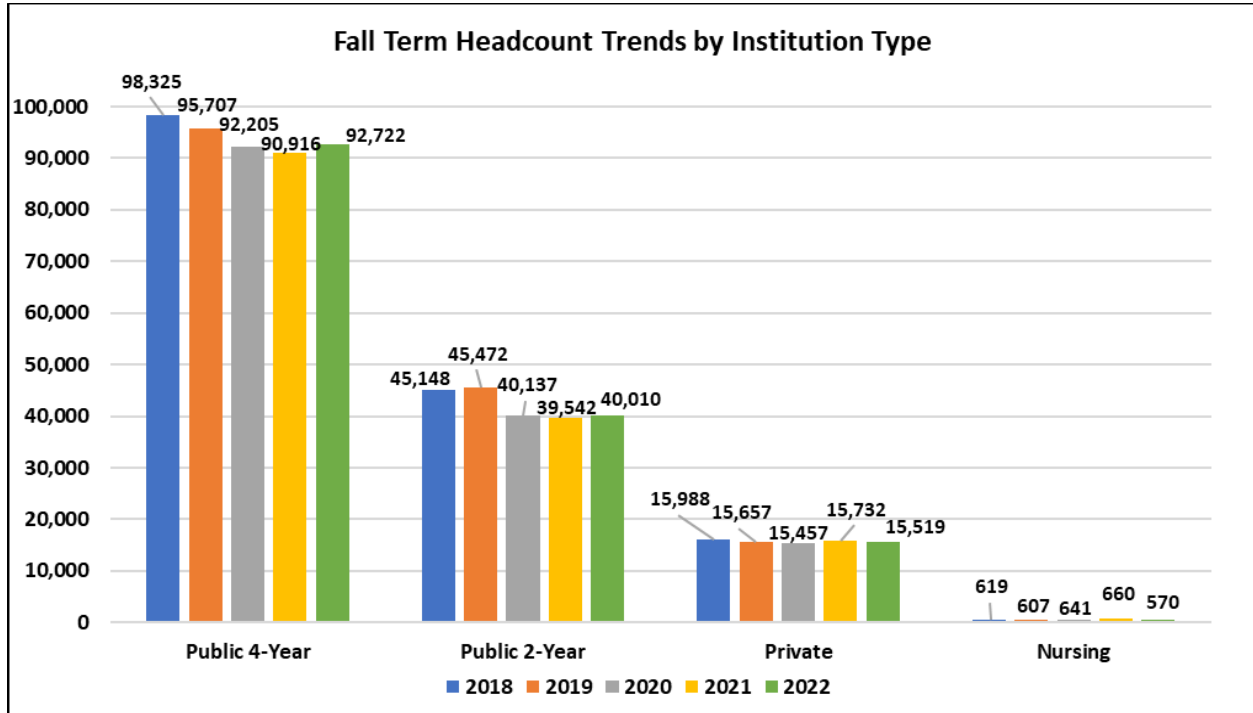
The **total** unduplicated headcount for the fall 2022 term in all sectors of Arkansas higher education, including universities, public colleges, private/independent colleges and universities, and nursing schools was **147,740 students**, representing an increase of 1.4% from the fall 2021 term.

This is the first time total headcount experienced an increase since the fall 2011 term. Fall 2012 total unduplicated headcount was 172,012 which represented the second largest fall term headcount ever. Declines from year-to-year since the 2012 fall term range from .5% to 5.6%. Arkansas higher education currently has 24,272 fewer students than it did in the fall 2012 term.

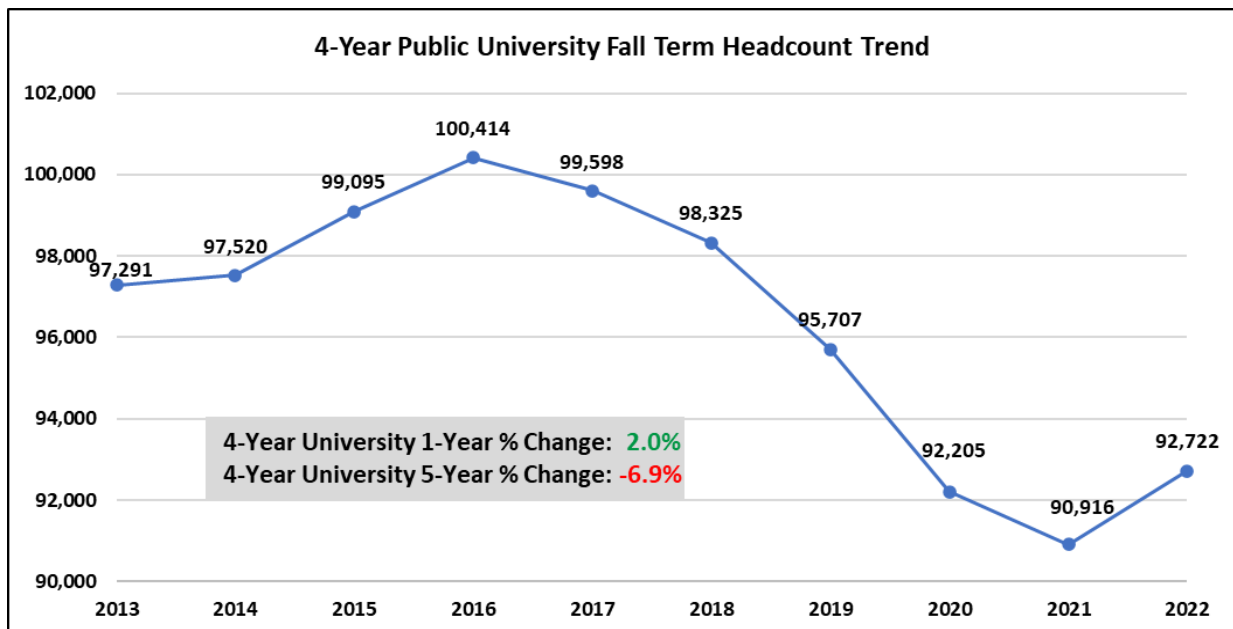
Of the 147,740 students enrolled in fall 2022, 1,515 students enrolled at more than one institution, which represents one percent of the total fall 2022 headcount.



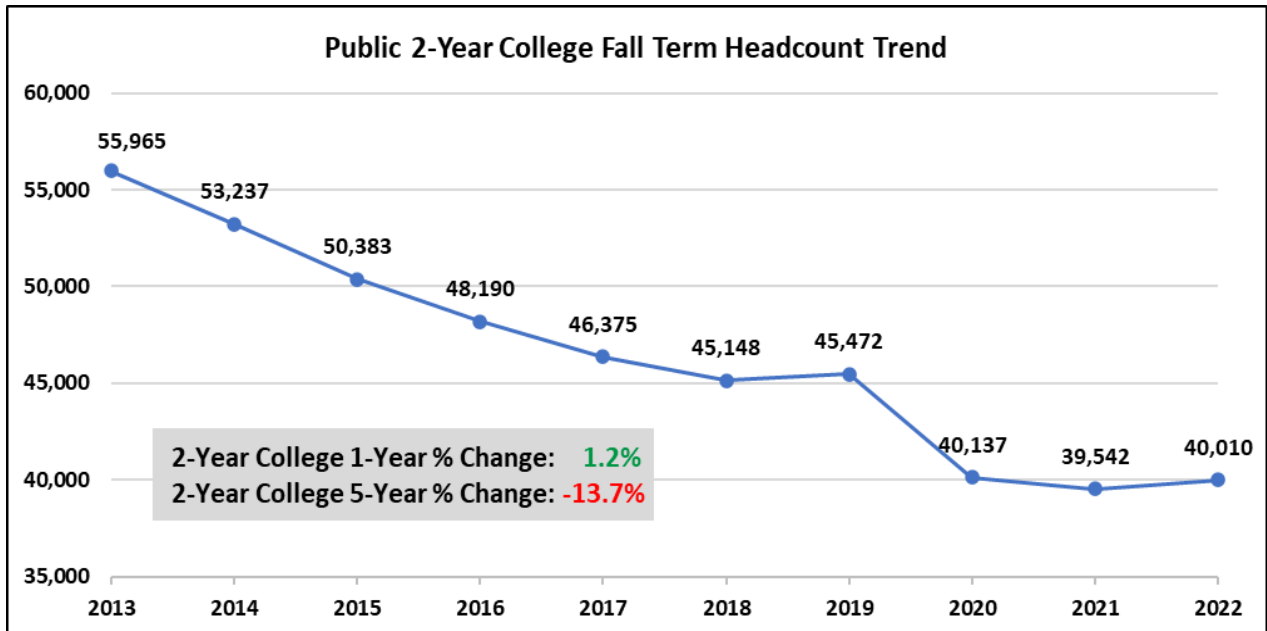
The following graph represents a five-year total headcount trend for each sector of Arkansas higher education. Four-year universities and 2-year colleges experienced an overall increase in headcount, while private/independent institutions and nursing schools reported a decline.



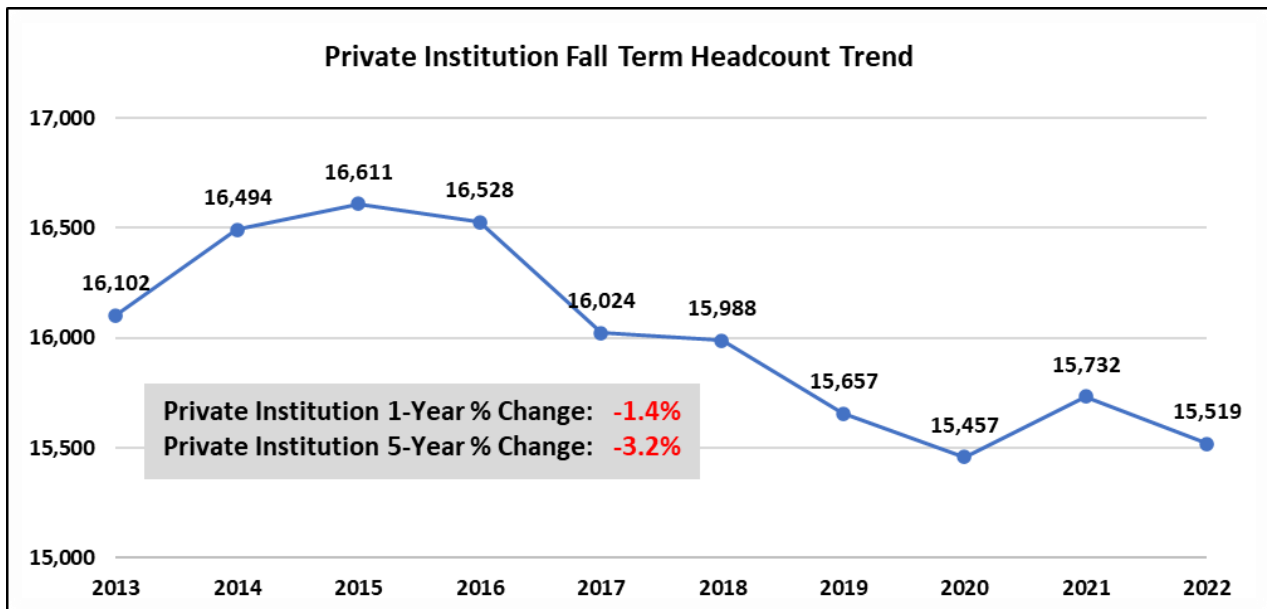
The 4-year public universities reported a fall term increase for the first time in six years, experiencing their highest headcount in the fall 2016 term of 100,414.



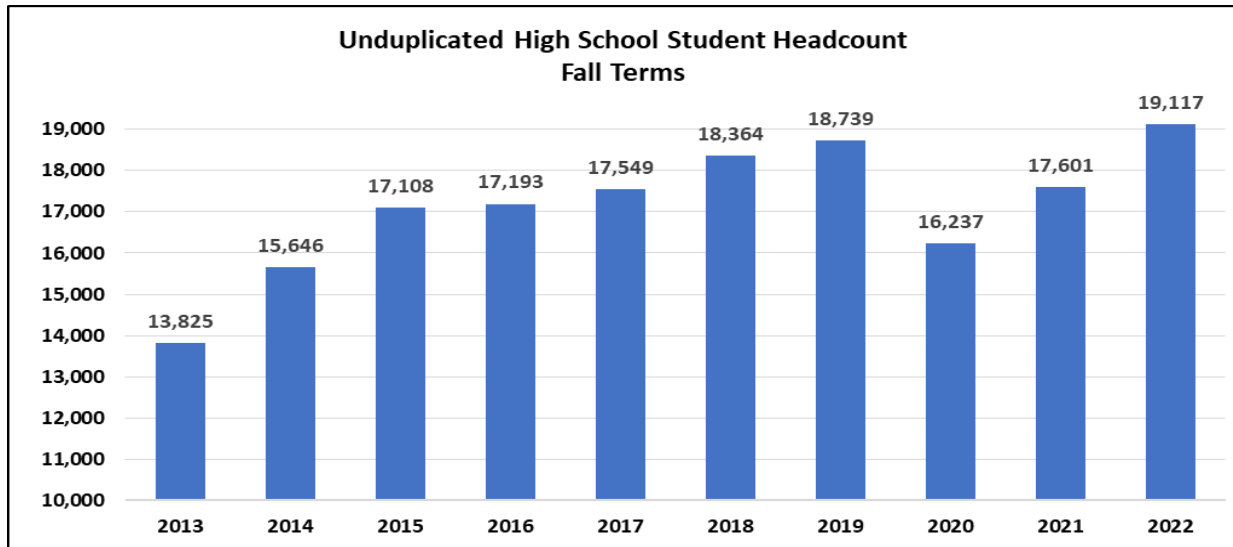
The 2-year public colleges reported an increase from 2021 of 1.2%. They experienced their highest headcount in the fall 2012 term of 59,601.



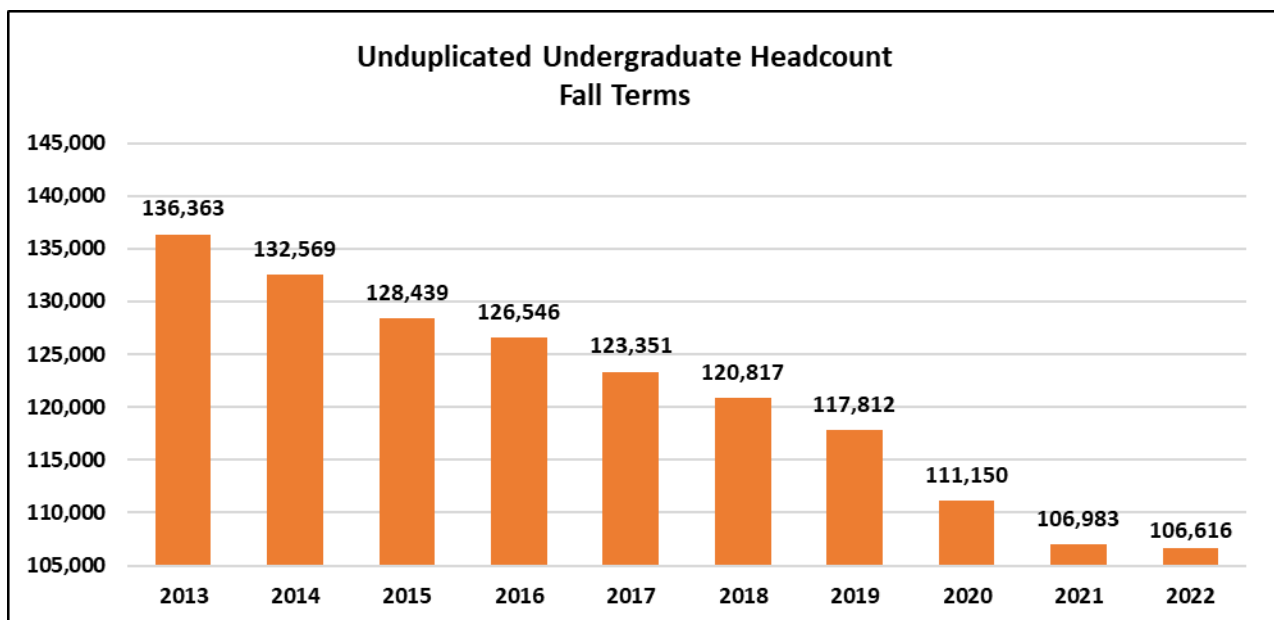
Private/independent colleges reported a decrease of 213 students over fall 2021. They experienced their highest headcount in the fall 2011 term of 17,349 with mostly small declines since then.



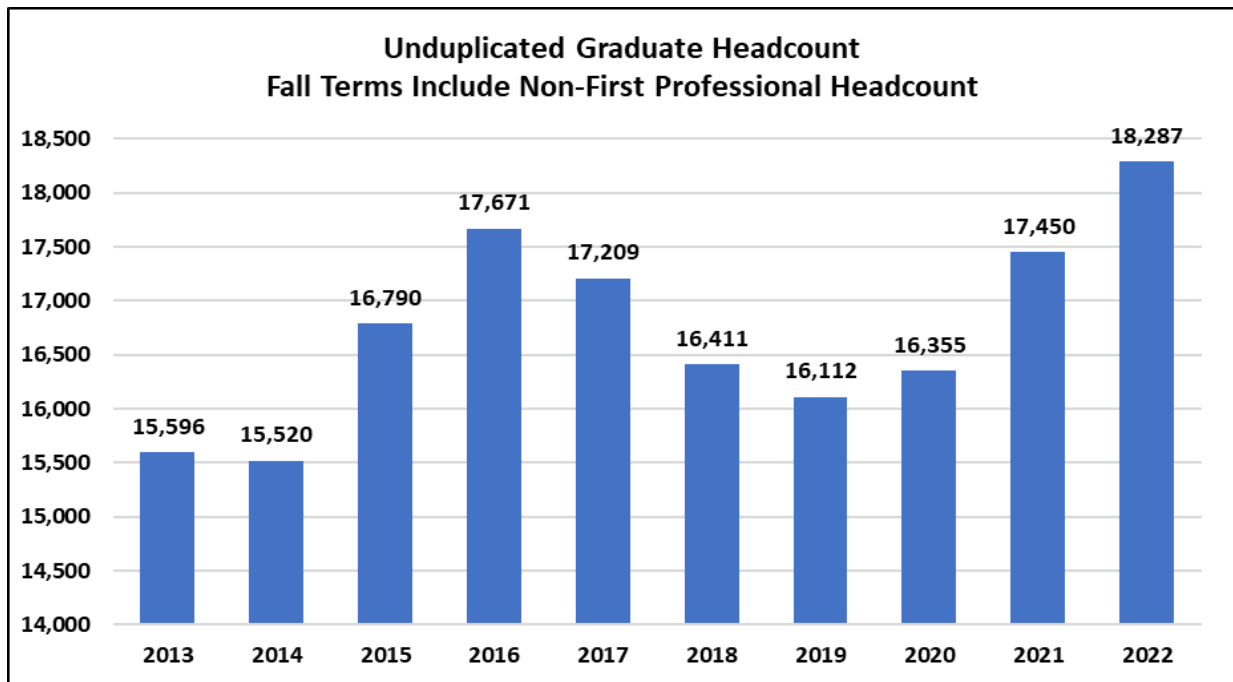
Statewide High School student headcount, including both concurrent and dually enrolled students, increased from last year by 1,516 students. This represents the largest high school fall term headcount ever and has exceeded the pre-pandemic enrollment levels. The COVID-19 pandemic is believed to have been a significant factor in the decline in high school headcounts in AY 2020. There are 693 high school students enrolled in concurrent courses with more than one institution, which is 3.6% of the total high school concurrent headcount.



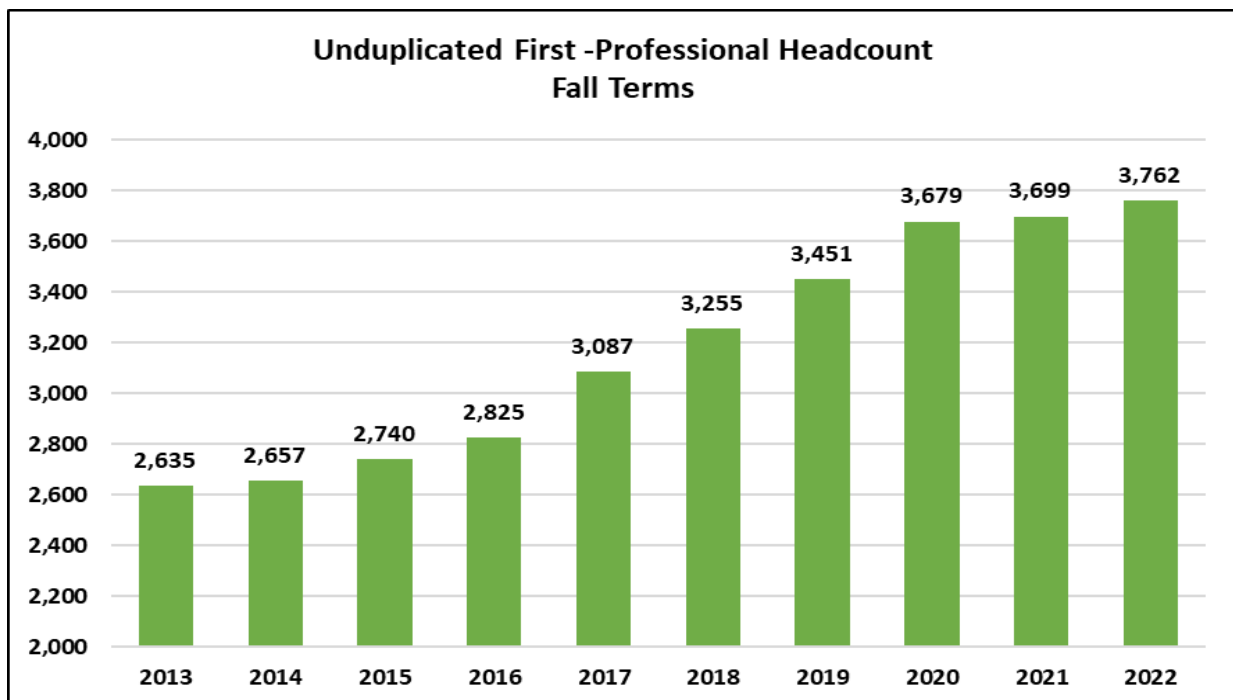
Statewide undergraduate headcount declined by 0.3%. The largest undergraduate class on record is 142,441 reported in fall 2011. Undergraduate headcount reported here does not include high school student headcount.



Statewide graduate headcount for all public and private institutions increased for fall 2022 term by 837 students representing an increase of 4.8% from the fall 2021 term.



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

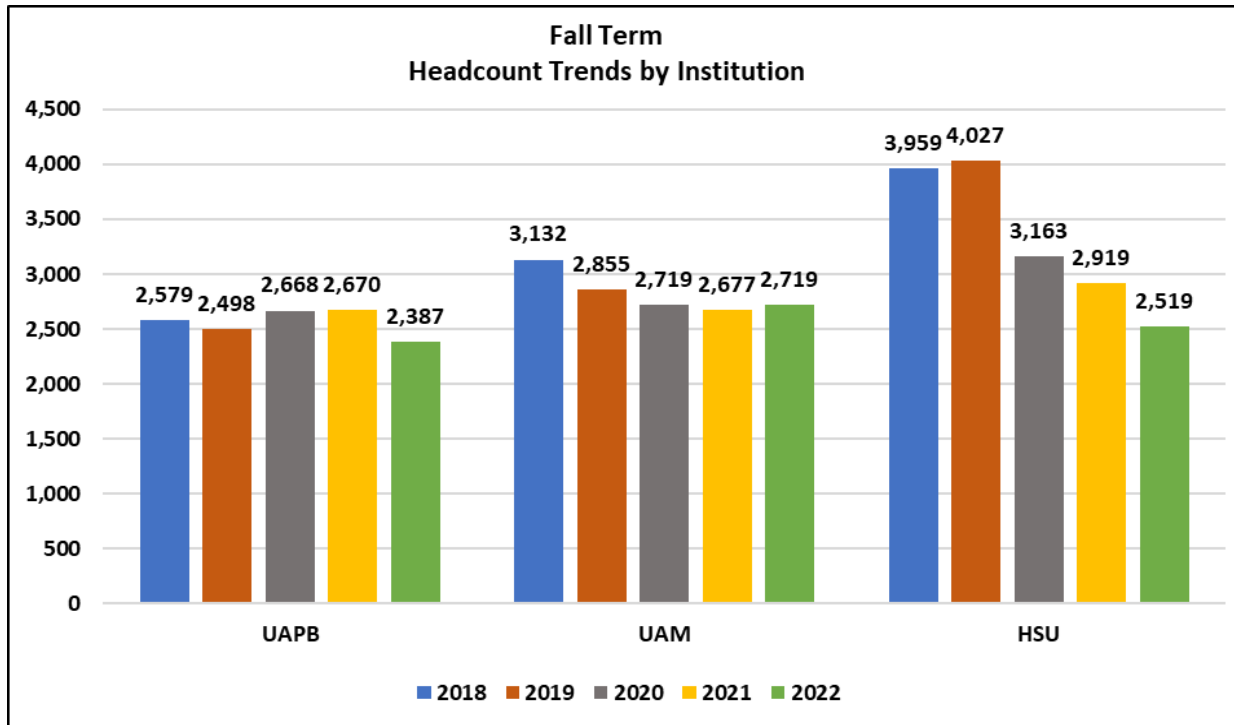


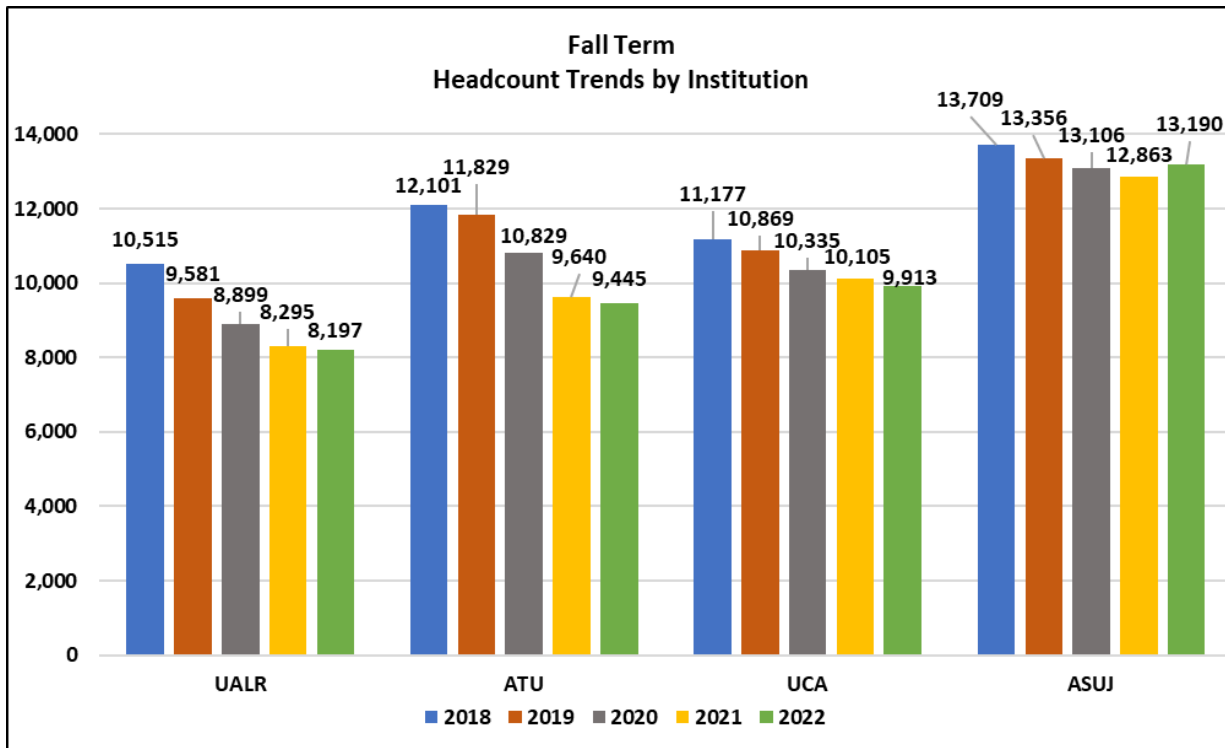
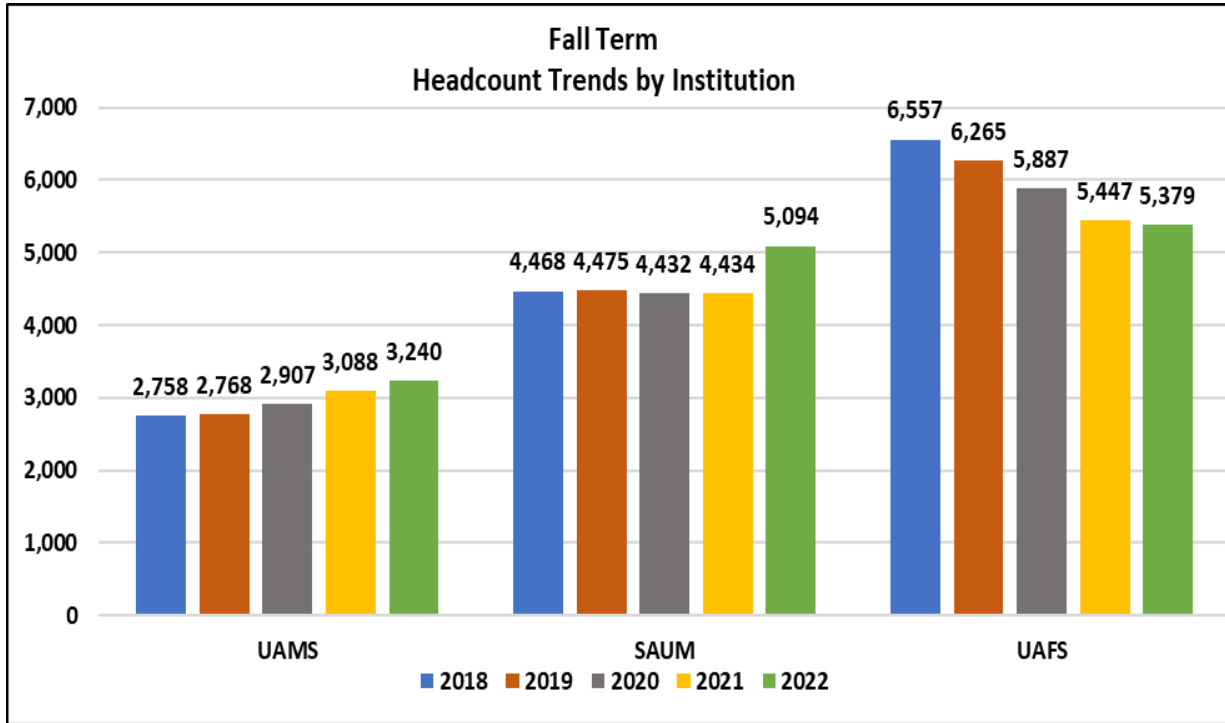
Public 4-Year Universities Fall Term Headcount Trends

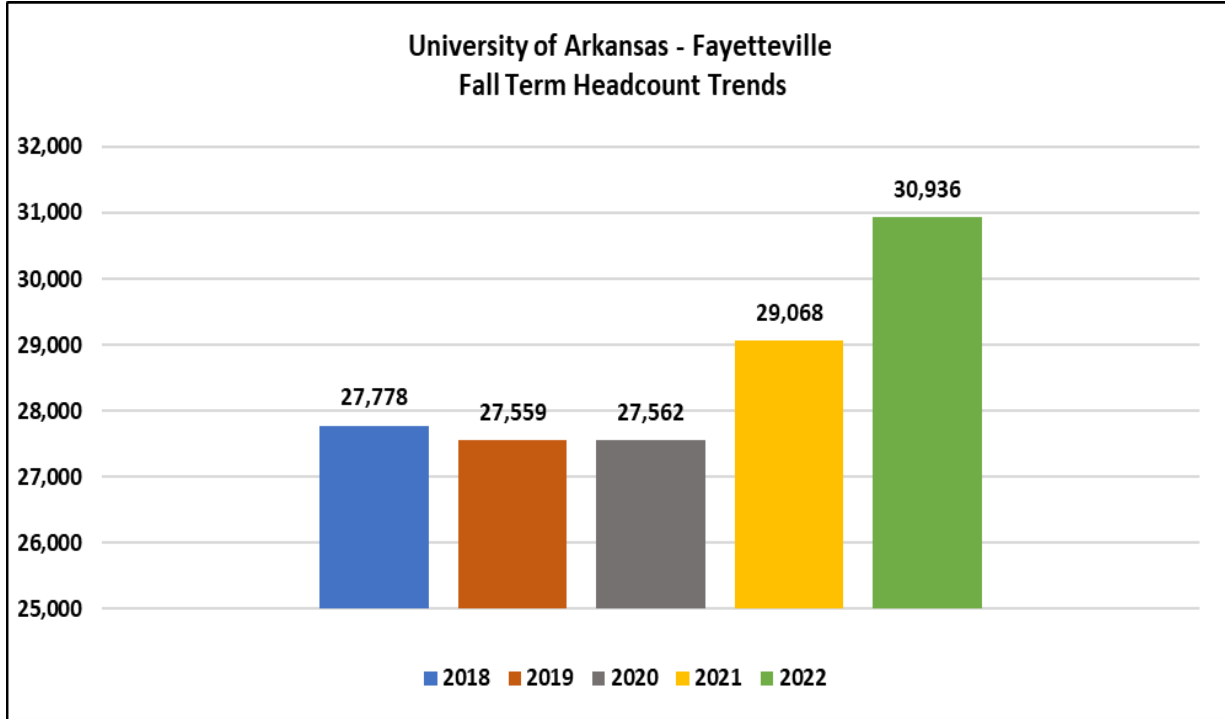
The following chart provides a five-year fall term headcount trend for all public 4-year universities. The two 4-year universities reporting the largest increase in fall term 2022 were UAF with an increase of 6.4% and SAUM with an increase of 14.9%.

Institution	Fall Term					Change from Fall 2021	Change from Fall 2018
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022		
ASUJ	13,709	13,356	13,106	12,863	13,190	2.5%	-3.8%
ATU	12,101	11,829	10,829	9,640	9,445	-2.0%	-21.9%
HSU	3,959	4,027	3,163	2,919	2,519	-13.7%	-36.4%
SAUM	4,468	4,475	4,432	4,434	5,094	14.9%	14.0%
UAF	27,778	27,559	27,562	29,068	30,936	6.4%	11.4%
UAFS	6,557	6,265	5,887	5,447	5,379	-1.2%	-18.0%
UALR	10,515	9,581	8,899	8,295	8,197	-1.2%	-22.0%
UAM	3,132	2,855	2,719	2,677	2,719	1.6%	-13.2%
UAMS	2,758	2,768	2,907	3,088	3,240	4.9%	17.5%
UAPB	2,579	2,498	2,668	2,670	2,387	-10.6%	-7.4%
UCA	11,177	10,869	10,335	10,105	9,913	-1.9%	-11.3%

The following four charts reflect fall term headcounts by institution. Universities are grouped by those with similar headcounts to allow for better graphing results.





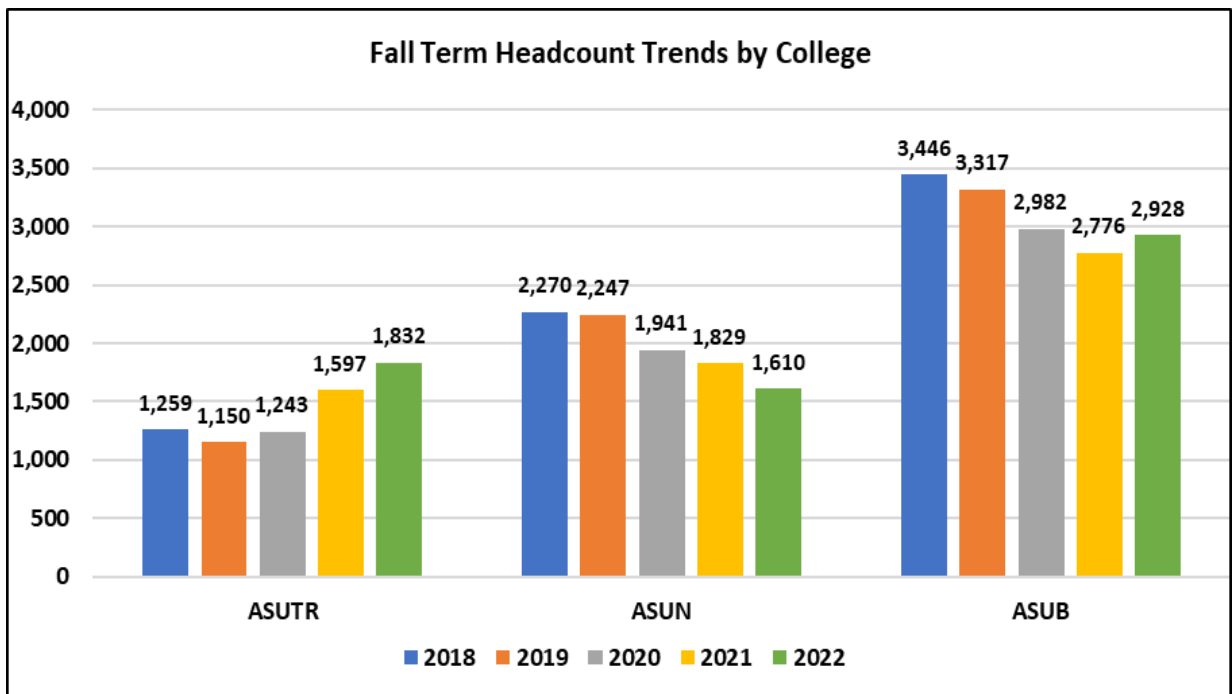
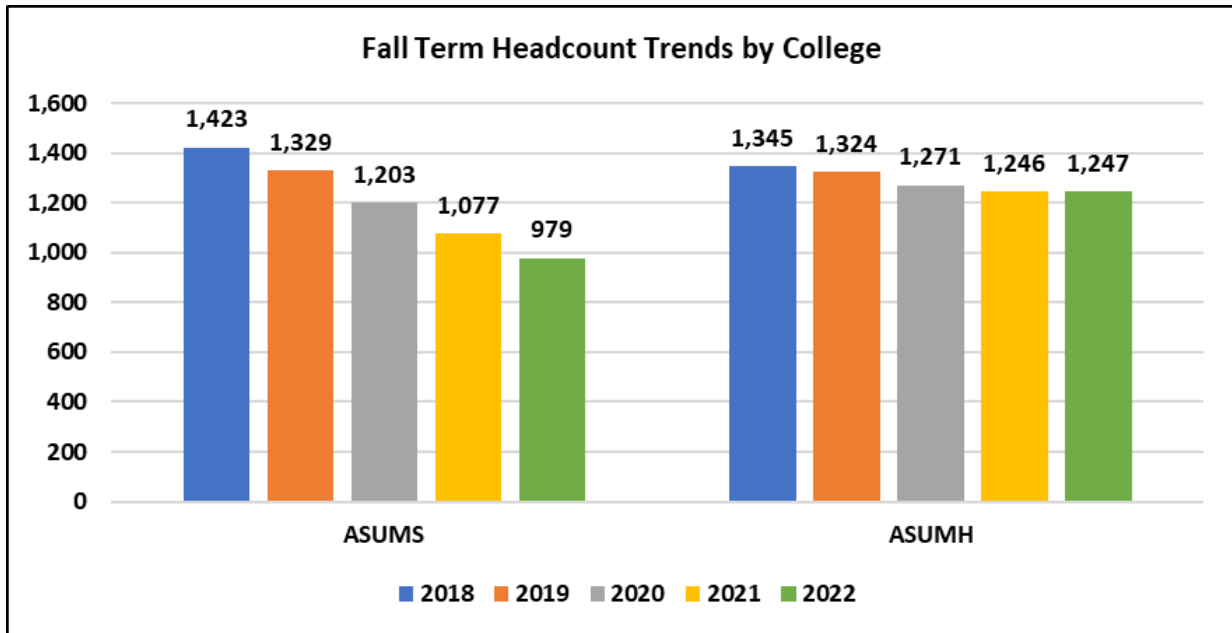


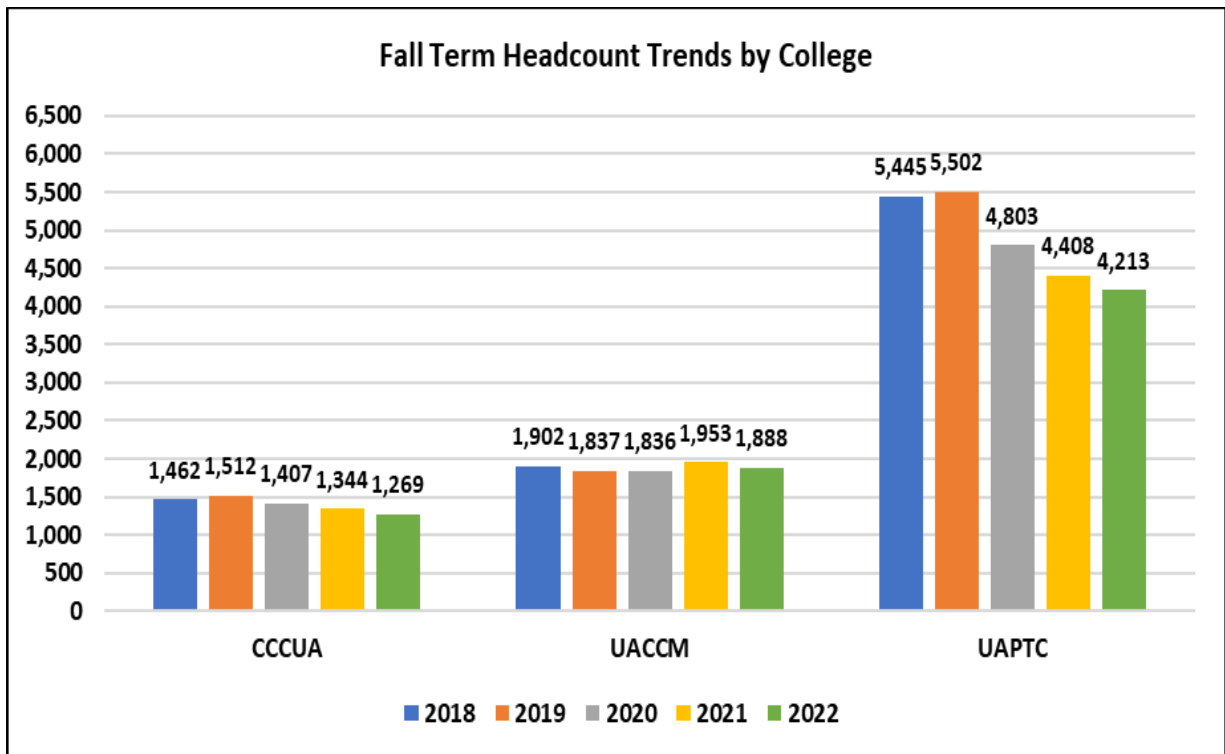
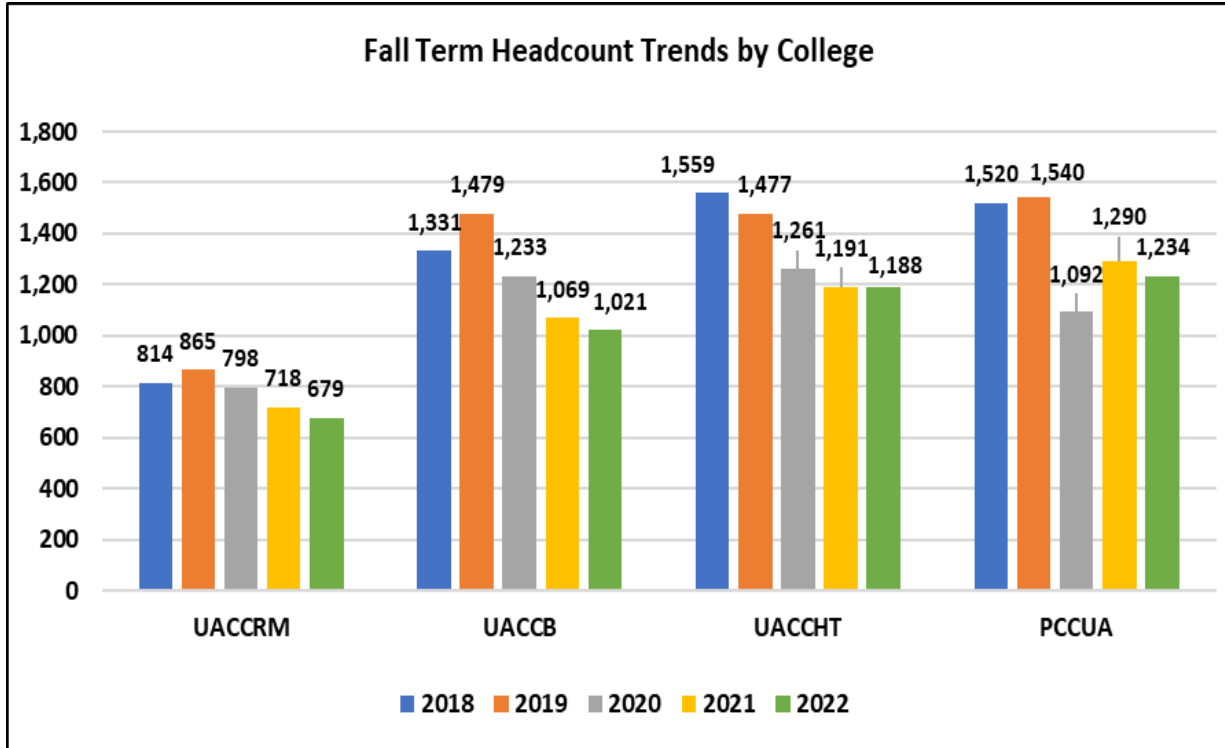
Public 2-Year College Fall Term Headcount Trends

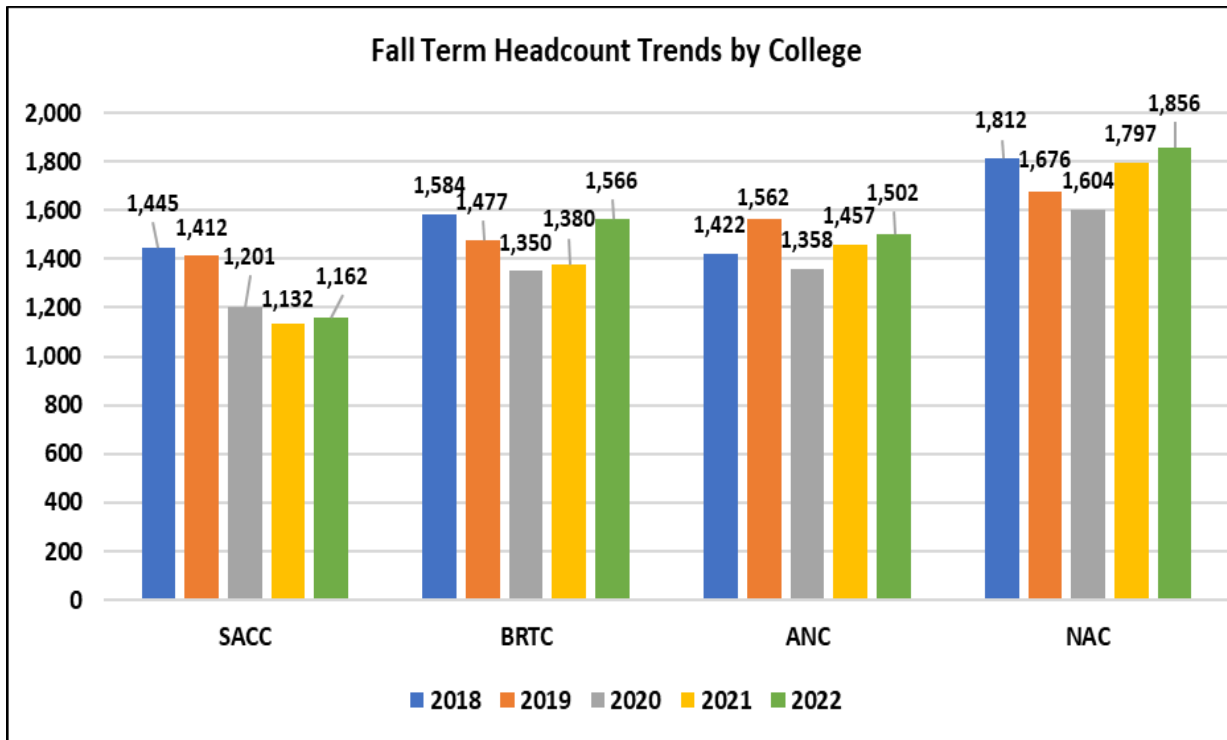
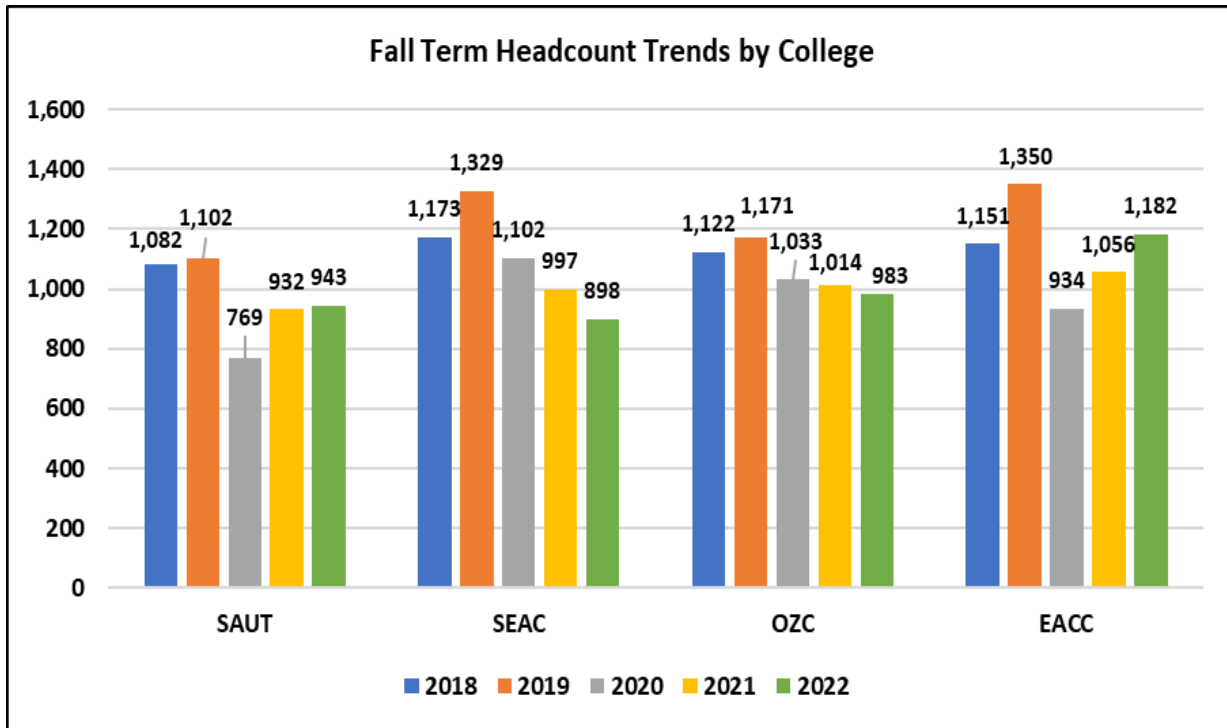
The following chart provides a five-year fall term headcount trend for all public 2-year colleges. Eleven 2-year colleges reported increases in fall term headcount. ASU-Three Rivers showed 14.7% growth, Black River Technical College reported 13.5% growth, and East Arkansas Community College increased fall term headcount by 11.9%.

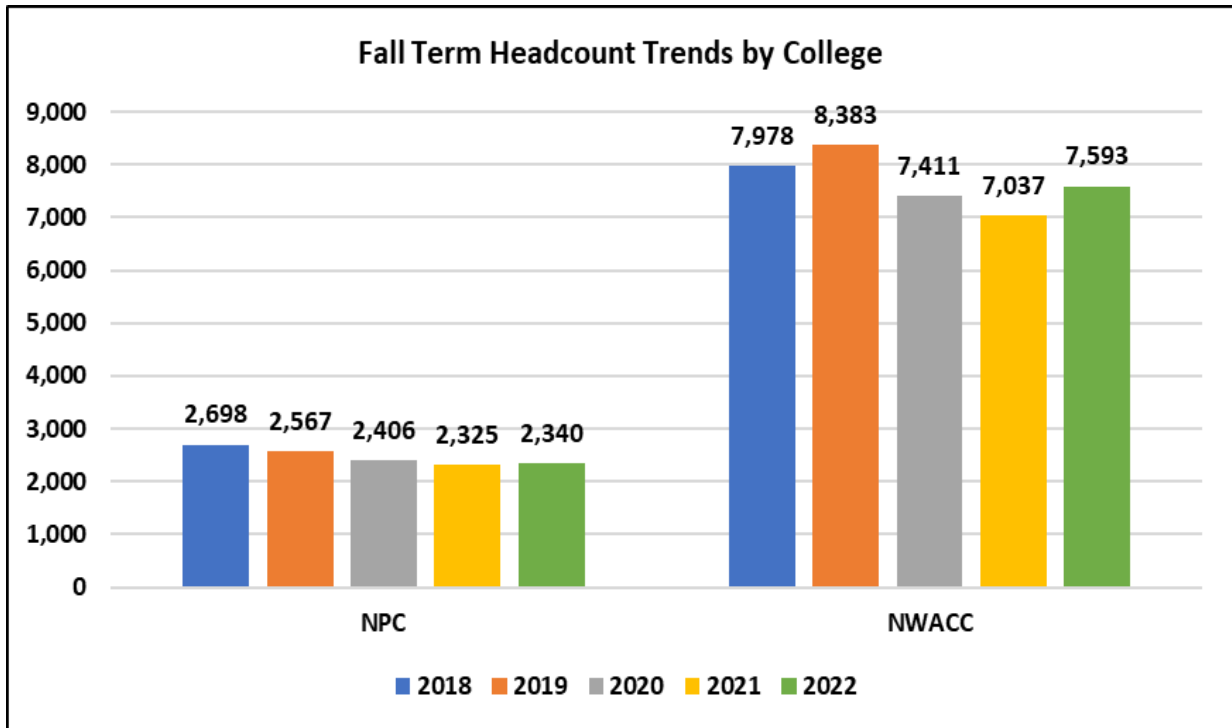
Institution	Fall Term					Change from Fall 2021	Change from Fall 2018
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022		
ANC	1,422	1,562	1,358	1,457	1,502	3.1%	5.6%
ASUB	3,446	3,317	2,982	2,776	2,928	5.5%	-15.0%
ASUMH	1,345	1,324	1,271	1,246	1,247	0.1%	-7.3%
ASUMS	1,423	1,329	1,203	1,077	979	-9.1%	-31.2%
ASUN	2,270	2,247	1,941	1,829	1,610	-12.0%	-29.1%
ASUTR	1,259	1,150	1,243	1,597	1,832	14.7%	45.5%
BRTC	1,584	1,477	1,350	1,380	1,566	13.5%	-1.1%
CCCUA	1,462	1,512	1,407	1,344	1,269	-5.6%	-13.2%
EACC	1,151	1,350	934	1,056	1,182	11.9%	2.7%
NAC	1,812	1,676	1,604	1,797	1,856	3.3%	2.4%
NPC	2,698	2,567	2,406	2,325	2,340	0.6%	-13.3%
NWACC	7,978	8,383	7,411	7,037	7,593	7.9%	-4.8%
OZC	1,122	1,171	1,033	1,014	983	-3.1%	-12.4%
PCCUA	1,520	1,540	1,092	1,290	1,234	-4.3%	-18.8%
SACC	1,445	1,412	1,201	1,132	1,162	2.7%	-19.6%
SAUT	1,082	1,102	769	932	943	1.2%	-12.8%
SEAC	1,173	1,329	1,102	997	898	-9.9%	-23.4%
UACCB	1,331	1,479	1,233	1,069	1,021	-4.5%	-23.3%
UACCHT	1,559	1,477	1,261	1,191	1,188	-0.3%	-23.8%
UACCM	1,902	1,837	1,836	1,953	1,888	-3.3%	-0.7%
UACCRM	814	865	798	718	679	-5.4%	-16.6%
UAPTC	5,445	5,502	4,803	4,408	4,213	-4.4%	-22.6%

The following charts reflect headcount trends for our 2-year colleges. Colleges are grouped by 2-year colleges within the Arkansas State University System, University of Arkansas System, and colleges unaffiliated with either system.









Private/Independent/Nursing – Total Headcount Trends

Fall 2022 headcount for the 15 private/independent institutions, two nursing schools and one technical institute varied considerably over fall 2021. Eight institutions reported fall term headcount declines ranging from -0.5% to -23.4%. Nine of the remaining ten institutions reported fall term headcount increases ranging from 1.0% to 76.9%.

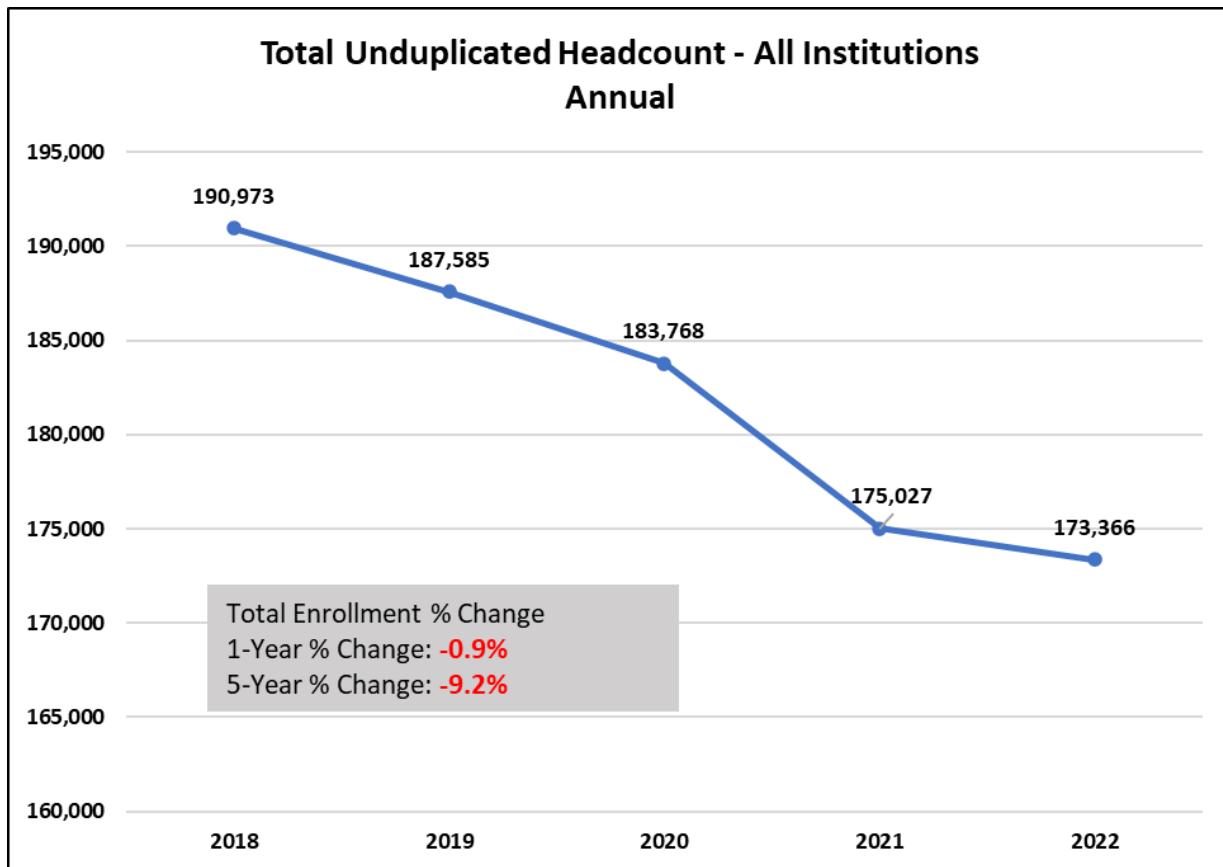
Institution	Fall Term					Change from Fall 2021	Change from Fall 2018
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022		
BHCLR	558	561	607	621	501	-19.3%	-10.2%
JSN	61	46	34	39	69	76.9%	13.1%
ABC	486	515	432	413	485	17.4%	-0.2%
ACHE	318	516	678	718	758	5.6%	138.4%
CBC	730	699	631	633	584	-7.7%	-20.0%
CCC	92	80	66	87	108	24.1%	17.4%
CRC	193	187	192	196	201	2.6%	4.1%
EC	200	194	168	153	124	-19.0%	-38.0%
HC	1,206	1,121	1,076	1,120	1,144	2.1%	-5.1%
HU	5,052	4,793	4,579	4,879	4,724	-3.2%	-6.5%
JBU	2,440	2,319	2,278	2,397	2,220	-7.4%	-9.0%
LC	671	661	661	581	445	-23.4%	-33.7%
NWTI	-	-	215	207	206	-0.5%	-
OBU	1,689	1,633	1,705	1,764	1,781	1.0%	5.4%
PSC	1,000	996	799	710	769	8.3%	-23.1%
SC	565	568	546	480	632	31.7%	11.9%
UO	872	824	836	784	784	0.0%	-10.1%
WBU	488	554	614	630	588	-6.7%	20.5%

Annual Student Headcount

The **total** unduplicated headcount for the academic year 2022 in all sectors of Arkansas higher education, including public universities, public colleges, private/independent colleges and universities, and nursing schools was **173,366 students**, representing a decrease of 0.9% from the academic year 2021.

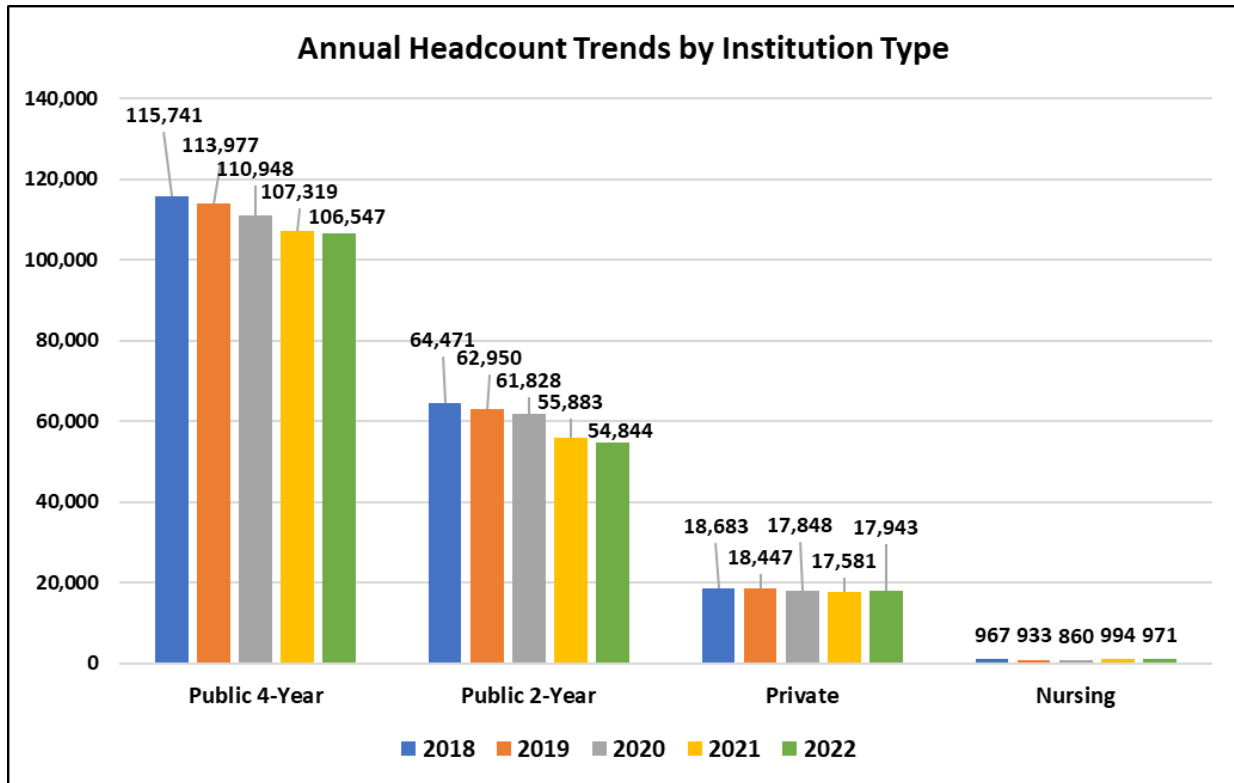
The last time all sectors of Arkansas higher education experienced an increase in annual headcount was the academic year 2012. Academic year 2012 total unduplicated headcount was 210,017 which represented the largest annual headcount ever. Declines from year-to-year since the academic year 2012 range from 0.5% to 4.8%. Arkansas higher education currently enrolled 36,651 fewer students than it did in AY 2012.

Of the 173,366 students enrolled in academic year 2022, 6,939 students enrolled at more than one institution and represent 3.8% of the total academic year 2022 headcount.



The following graph depicts a five-year total annual headcount trend for each sector of

Arkansas higher education. Four-year universities, 2-year colleges and nursing institutions all experienced an overall decrease in headcount, while private/independent institutions reported an increase.



Public 4-Year Universities Annual Headcount Trends

The following chart provides a five-year annual headcount trend for all public 4-year universities. The two 4-year universities reporting the largest increase in academic year 2022 were UAF with an increase of 5.1%, UAMS with an increase of 6.2%, and SAUM with an increase of 4.9%.

Institution	Annual Headcount					Change from AY 2021	Change from AY 2018
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022		
ASUJ	19,031	18,977	18,762	18,452	18,427	-0.1%	-3.2%
ATU	13,487	13,722	13,315	12,257	10,943	-10.7%	-18.9%
HSU	3,848	4,564	4,554	3,610	3,317	-8.1%	-13.8%
SAUM	5,467	5,183	5,249	5,212	5,468	4.9%	0.0%
UAF	30,416	30,485	30,195	30,352	31,892	5.1%	4.9%
UAFS	7,542	7,365	6,987	6,478	6,135	-5.3%	-18.7%
UALR	14,429	12,992	11,826	10,955	10,391	-5.1%	-28.0%
UAM	4,302	3,716	3,434	3,287	3,290	0.1%	-23.5%
UAMS	3,106	2,996	3,015	3,241	3,442	6.2%	10.8%
UAPB	2,872	2,818	2,724	2,898	2,898	0.0%	0.9%
UCA	12,948	12,741	12,333	11,834	11,548	-2.4%	-10.8%

Public 2-Year College Fall Term Headcount Trends

The following chart provides a five-year annual headcount trend for all public 2-year colleges. Seven 2-year colleges reported increases in annual headcount. ASU-Three Rivers showed 19.7% growth and East Arkansas Community College showed 12.7% growth.

Institution	Annual					Change from AY 2021	Change from AY 2018
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022		
ANC	2,066	2,006	1,967	1,757	1,847	5.1%	-10.6%
ASUB	5,154	4,716	4,427	3,939	3,724	-5.5%	-27.7%
ASUMH	1,948	1,848	1,809	1,721	1,629	-5.3%	-16.4%
ASUMS	2,029	1,852	1,705	1,568	1,420	-9.4%	-30.0%
ASUN	4,786	4,962	4,677	4,280	4,387	2.5%	-8.3%
ASUTR	1,691	1,663	1,512	1,716	2,054	19.7%	21.5%
BRTC	2,187	2,261	2,084	1,981	1,981	0.0%	-9.4%
CCCUA	1,970	1,948	1,880	1,793	1,693	-5.6%	-14.1%
EACC	1,580	1,719	1,868	1,417	1,597	12.7%	1.1%
NAC	2,311	2,217	2,110	2,049	2,197	7.2%	-4.9%
NPC	3,465	3,377	3,211	2,911	2,807	-3.6%	-19.0%
NWACC	11,098	11,322	11,389	10,235	9,792	-4.3%	-11.8%
OZC	1,586	1,553	1,559	1,376	1,410	2.5%	-11.1%
PCCUA	2,143	1,930	1,894	1,491	1,598	7.2%	-25.4%
SACC	2,078	2,107	2,007	1,767	1,685	-4.6%	-18.9%
SAUT	1,929	1,895	1,718	1,546	1,523	-1.5%	-21.0%
SEAC	1,790	1,742	1,847	1,568	1,457	-7.1%	-18.6%
UACCB	1,665	1,696	1,864	1,513	1,357	-10.3%	-18.5%
UACCHT	2,082	1,999	1,899	1,675	1,516	-9.5%	-27.2%
UACCM	2,513	2,473	2,344	2,400	2,508	4.5%	-0.2%
UACCRM	1,187	1,051	1,081	964	902	-6.4%	-24.0%
UAPTC	8,077	7,465	7,846	6,953	6,439	-7.4%	-20.3%

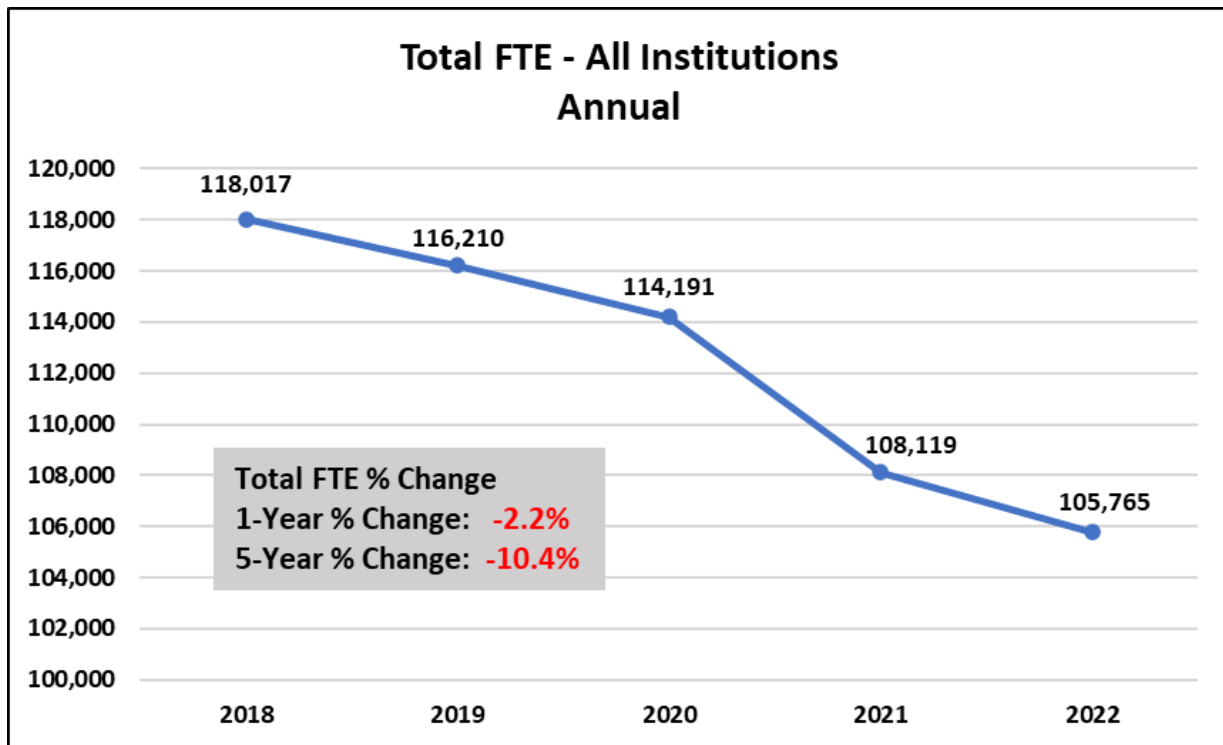
Private/Independent/Nursing – Total Headcount Trends

Seven private/independent and nursing schools reported annual headcount declines ranging from -2.4% to -17.7%. The remaining eleven schools reported increases ranging from 0.9% to 26.9%.

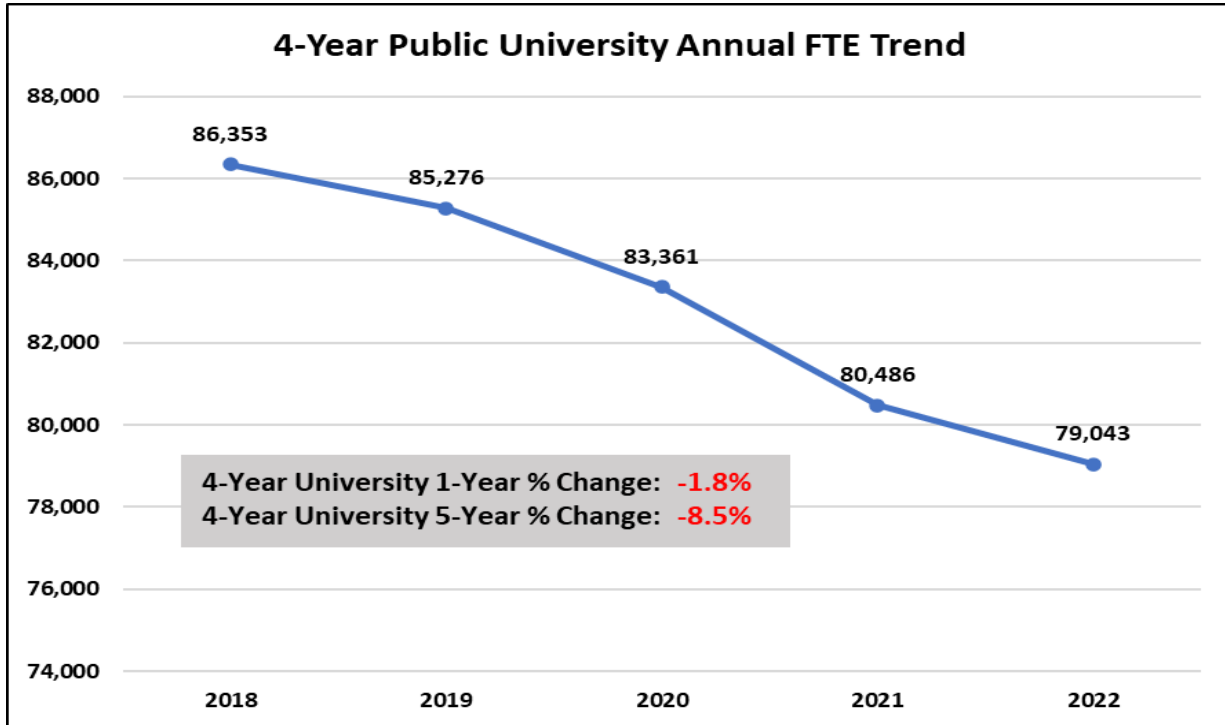
Institution	Annual					Change from AY 2021	Change from AY 2018
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022		
BHCLR	865	823	802	911	869	-4.6%	0.5%
JSN	102	112	58	83	102	22.9%	0.0%
ABC	762	790	732	570	604	6.0%	-20.7%
ACHE	162	318	516	714	781	9.4%	382.1%
CBC	876	850	794	709	681	-3.9%	-22.3%
CCC	-	102	91	78	99	26.9%	-
CRC	226	209	202	211	206	-2.4%	-8.8%
EC	273	261	236	215	177	-17.7%	-35.2%
HC	1,244	1,222	1,132	1,102	1,135	3.0%	-8.8%
HU	6,377	5,746	5,181	4,928	5,393	9.4%	-15.4%
JBU	3,074	2,858	2,774	2,758	2,782	0.9%	-9.5%
LC	706	693	708	689	607	-11.9%	-14.0%
NWTI	-	-	-	291	295	1.4%	-
OBU	1,657	1,772	1,757	1,835	1,855	1.1%	11.9%
PSC	1,011	1,088	1,083	947	793	-16.3%	-21.6%
SC	985	1,133	1,205	994	1,064	7.0%	8.0%
UO	821	928	875	936	852	-9.0%	3.8%
WBU	544	525	590	656	671	2.3%	23.3%

Annual Full-Time Equivalency (FTE)

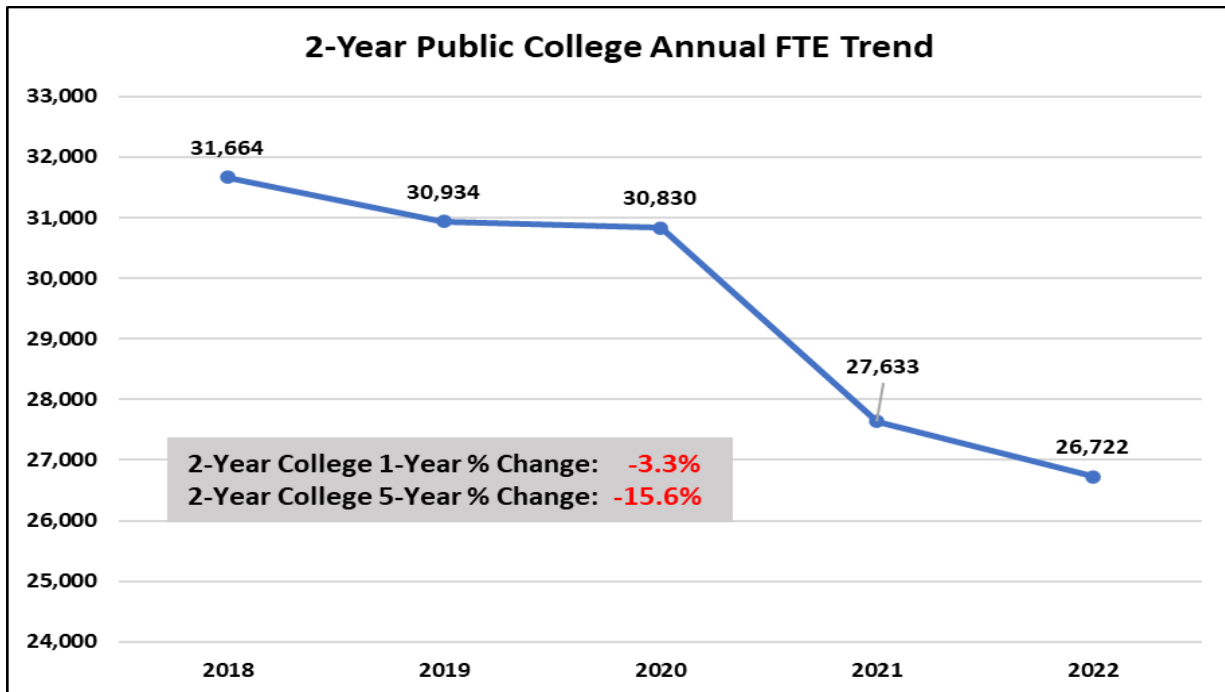
The **total** annual FTE for academic year 2022 in all sectors of Arkansas higher education, including public universities, and public colleges was **105,765** representing a decline of 2.2% from academic year 2021.



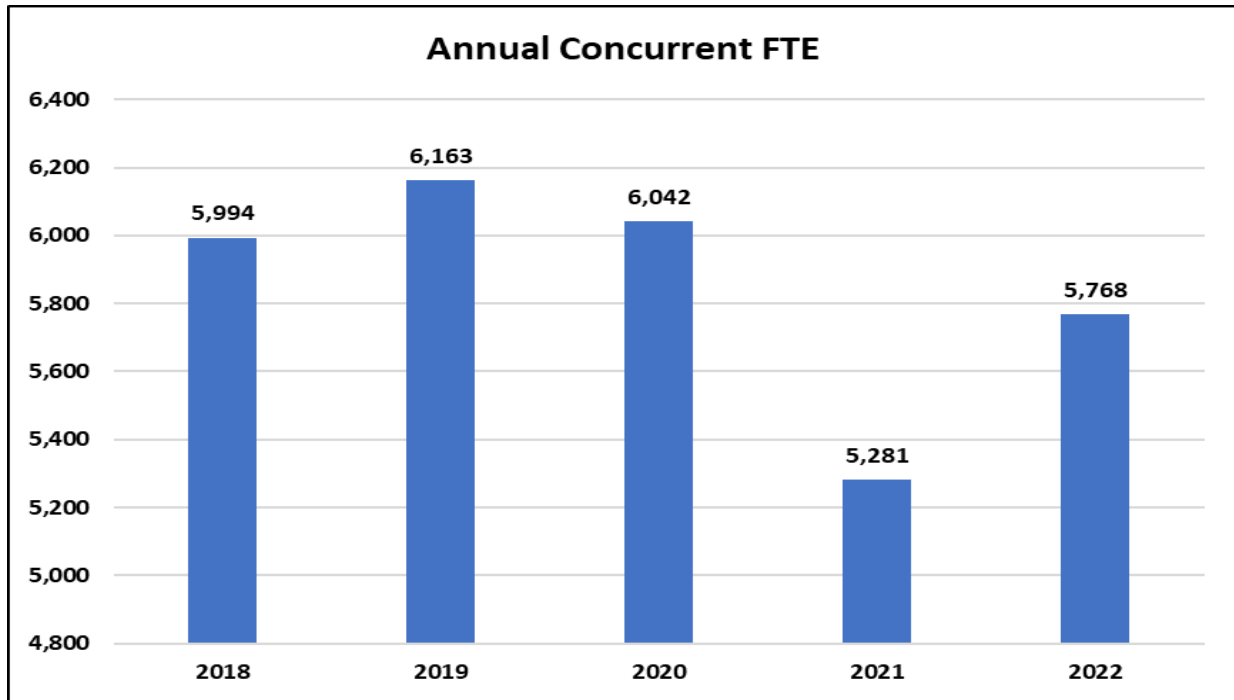
The 4-year public universities reported annual FTE decline of 1.8% for AY 2022 over AY 2021 and an 8.5% decline compared to AY 2018.



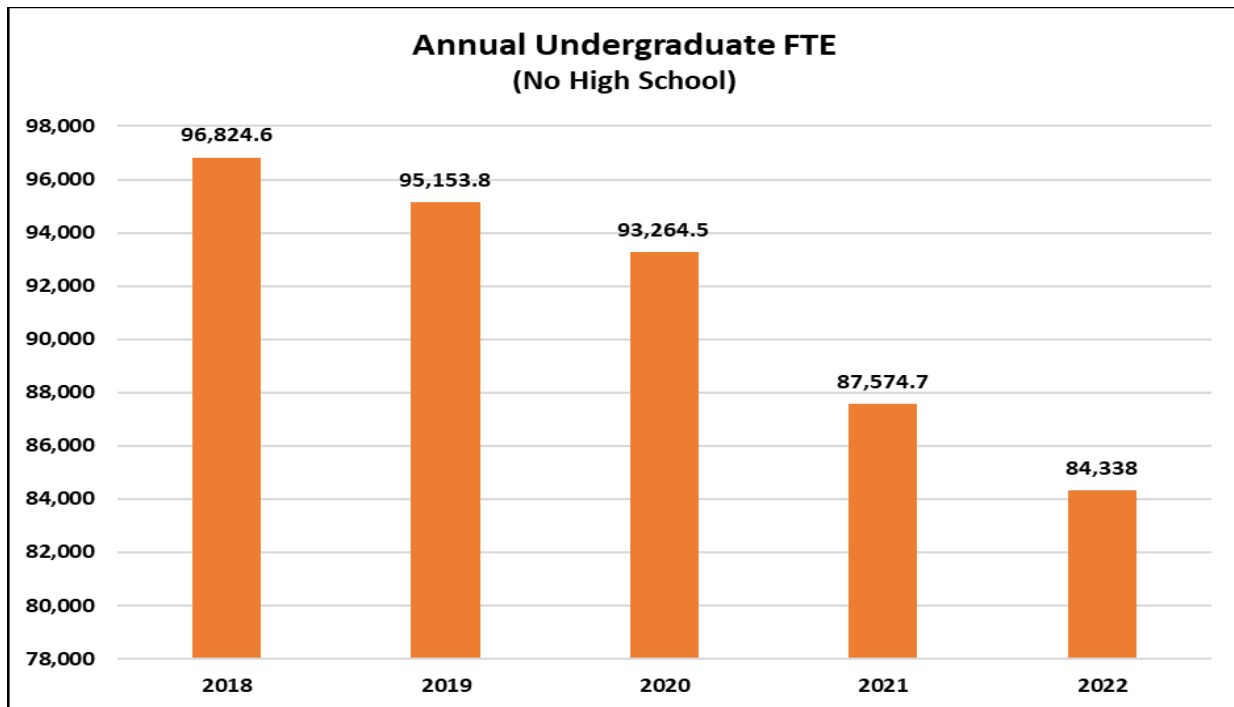
The 2-year public colleges reported a decrease from 2021 of 3.3%.



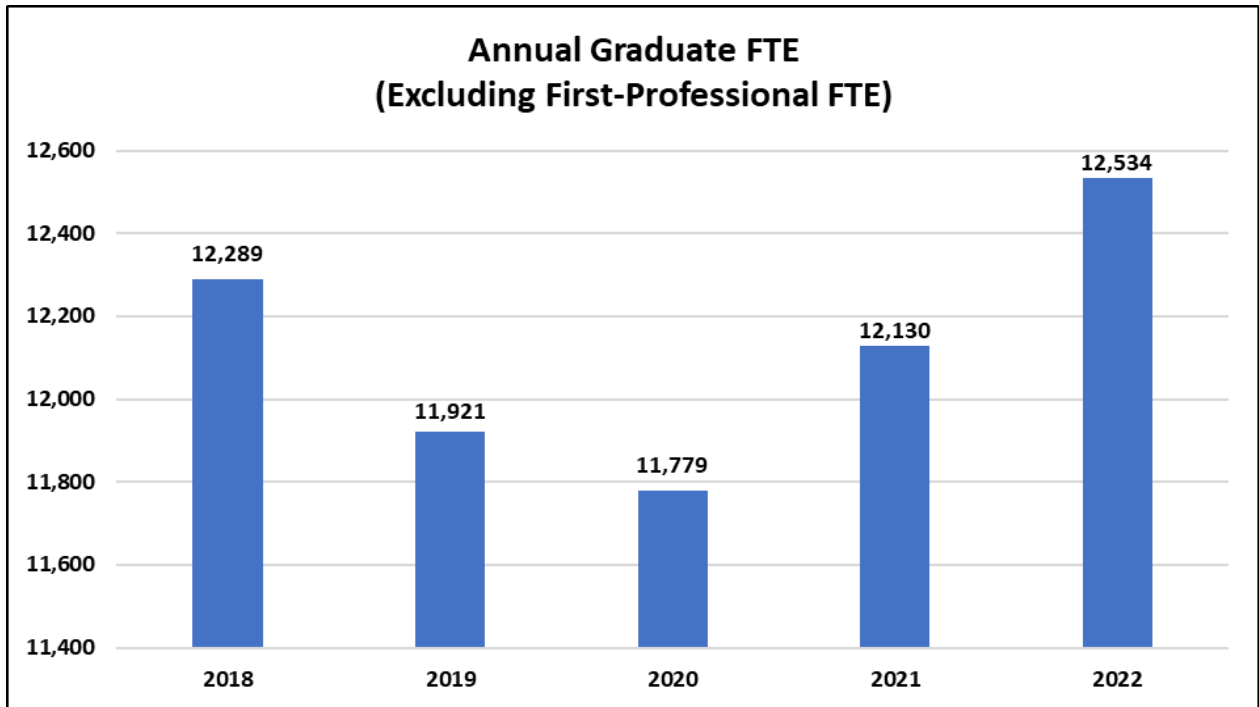
Concurrent annual FTE, which does not include dually enrolled students, made a sharp bounce back from COVID-19 numbers by increasing the annual FTE to 5,768.



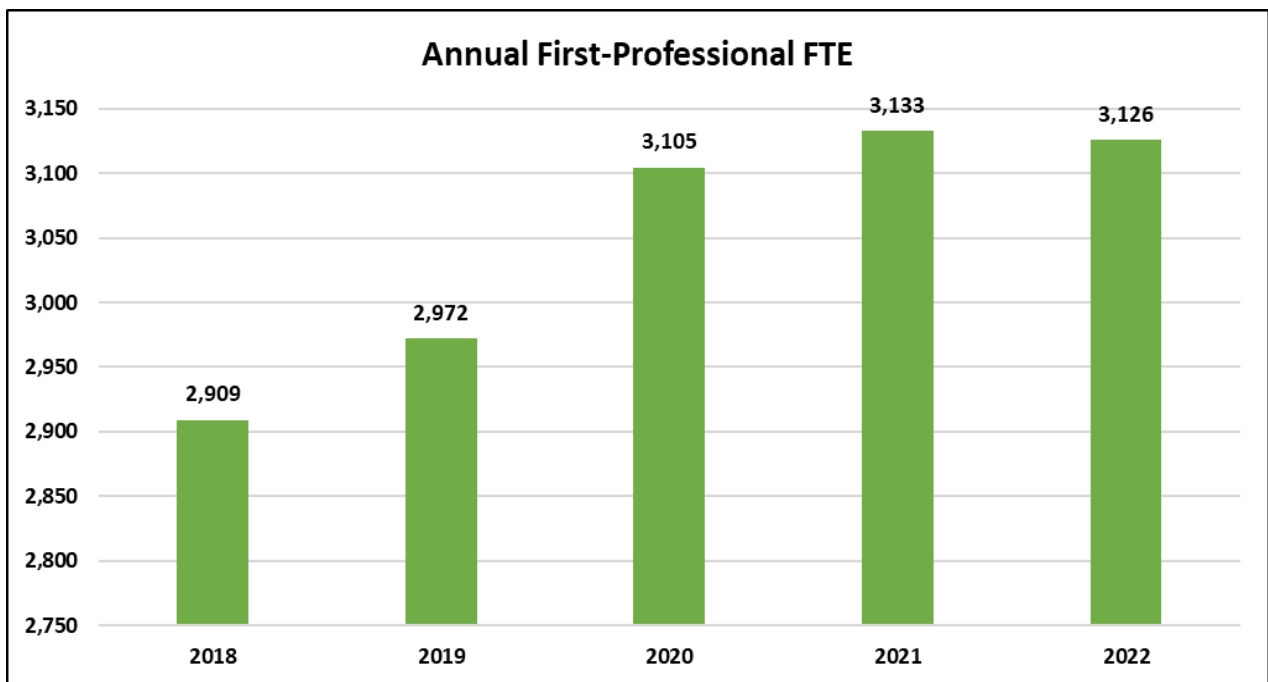
Undergraduate annual FTE declined by 3.7% from academic year 2021. Undergraduate annual FTE has been declining for many years now.



Graduate annual FTE increased for academic year 2022 by 404 representing an increase of 3.3% from academic year 2021.



First-professional annual FTE remained comparable to AY 2021 FTE. Annual FTE includes students in law, medicine, pharmacy, advanced nursing programs, and occupational and physical therapies.



Public 4-Year Universities Annual FTE Trends

The following chart provides a five-year annual FTE trend for all public 4-year universities. The two 4-year universities reporting the largest increase in academic year 2022 were UAF with an increase of 3.8%, SAUM with an increase of 2.7% and UAMS with an increase of 2.6%.

Institution	Annual FTE					Change from AY 2021	Change from AY 2018
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022		
ASUJ	12,825	12,744	12,590	12,205	12,004	-1.6%	-6.4%
ATU	8,785	8,614	8,511	7,799	7,027	-9.9%	-20.0%
HSU	3,097	3,483	3,448	2,884	2,598	-9.9%	-16.1%
SAUM	3,949	3,895	3,914	3,890	3,994	2.7%	1.1%
UAF	25,153	25,440	25,122	25,227	26,188	3.8%	4.1%
UAFS	5,275	5,237	4,958	4,574	4,230	-7.5%	-19.8%
UALR	8,488	7,655	7,120	6,655	6,124	-8.0%	-27.9%
UAM	2,874	2,608	2,423	2,365	2,272	-3.9%	-20.9%
UAMS	3,145	2,965	3,036	3,117	3,198	2.6%	1.7%
UAPB	2,486	2,423	2,296	2,329	2,275	-2.3%	-8.5%
UCA	10,277	10,213	9,942	9,441	9,133	-3.3%	-11.1%

Public 2-Year College Annual FTE Trends

The following chart provides a five-year annual FTE trend for all public 2-year colleges. Four 2-year colleges reported increases in annual FTE. ASU-Three Rivers showed 17.9% growth, North Arkansas College showed 6.7% growth, PCCUA reported a 6.1% increase and ASUN reported a 3.1% increase over AY 2021.

Institution	Annual FTE					Change from AY 2021	Change from AY 2018
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022		
ANC	918	885	901	827	776	-6.1%	-15.5%
ASUB	2,689	2,532	2,413	2,148	1,980	-7.8%	-26.4%
ASUMH	991	973	909	840	825	-1.9%	-16.8%
ASUMS	901	821	758	702	638	-9.1%	-29.2%
ASUN	1,861	1,898	1,824	1,626	1,677	3.1%	-9.9%
ASUTR	755	717	677	676	797	17.9%	5.7%
BRTC	1,214	1,224	1,130	1,090	1,082	-0.7%	-10.9%
CCCUA	907	921	966	893	857	-4.1%	-5.6%
EACC	658	754	876	705	688	-2.4%	4.6%
NAC	1,345	1,293	1,243	1,148	1,225	6.7%	-8.9%
NPC	1,877	1,829	1,847	1,622	1,586	-2.2%	-15.5%
NWACC	4,951	4,984	5,050	4,382	4,130	-5.8%	-16.6%
OZC	795	788	797	728	702	-3.6%	-11.8%
PCCUA	938	916	912	712	755	6.1%	-19.5%
SACC	1,054	1,047	1,009	877	873	-0.4%	-17.2%
SAUT	1,041	948	847	821	800	-2.5%	-23.2%
SEAC	858	826	888	759	694	-8.6%	-19.2%
UACCB	889	955	982	818	723	-11.5%	-18.6%
UACCHT	1,051	980	938	798	750	-6.1%	-28.7%
UACCM	1,456	1,414	1,367	1,357	1,307	-3.7%	-10.2%
UACCRM	557	522	564	572	551	-3.6%	-1.0%
UAPTC	3,957	3,710	3,932	3,534	3,307	-6.4%	-16.4%