

2021 Outcomes: Graduation Data by Pell Status for First-time and Non-first-time Students

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This report examines outcome measures for first-time, new transfer, and readmitted students entering in the 2013-14 academic year.¹ Student outcomes are aggregated by Pell Grant status at entry (received/did not receive), and whether they were full- or part-time (fewer than twelve credit hours) at entry. In addition to reporting on graduation within four, six, and eight years, these data allow us to report on the students who remain enrolled at their institution after eight years without a degree, students who transferred out of an institution at any time during the eight-year period, and students who did not receive a degree whose status is unknown at eight years. The data do not include the outcomes for those students who transferred. This report focuses on bachelor's degrees earned.²

First-time, Full-time Students by Pell Status

- Among first-time students receiving Pell Grants who enrolled full-time at Minnesota Private Colleges, 56% earned a bachelor's degree in four years.
 - This rate is higher than any state's rate for public four-year institutions (page 9).
 - MPCC institutions rank third nationally for nonprofit, four-year institutions, trailing only Maryland and Massachusetts (page 10).
 - By comparison, the rate for these students was 49% at the University of Minnesota (all campuses) and 21% at the Minnesota State universities (page 7).
 - The four-year graduation rate for private nonprofits nationwide is 33%; public institutions nationwide have a 21% four-year graduation rate.
- The four-year rate for non-Pell full-time students was 70% at Minnesota Private Colleges.
 - This compares to 62% at the University of Minnesota (all campuses) and 33% at the Minnesota State universities.
- At Minnesota Private Colleges, there was a 14-percentage point gap between the rate at which first-time, full-time Pell Grant recipients earned bachelor's degrees in four years, and the rate for first-time, full-time students who did not receive Pell Grants.

¹ This data was released in 2022 and is the most current data available from IPEDS.

² When calculating the percentage of bachelor's degrees earned, students who received a different award from their institution were subtracted from the entering cohort (denominator).

- The completion gap between Pell and non-Pell first-time, full-time students was 13 percentage points at the University of Minnesota (all campuses) and 12 percentage points at the Minnesota State universities.

First-time, Part-time³ Students by Pell Status

- First-time, part-time Pell Grant recipients were 6 percentage points less likely to earn a bachelor's degree in four years at Minnesota Private Colleges than first-time, part-time non-Pell Grant recipients.
- These part-time students constituted only 1.1% of the 2013-2014 first-time student cohort at MPCC institutions.

Transfers and Readmits,⁴ Full-time Students by Pell Status

- Among transfer and readmitted students receiving Pell Grants who enrolled full-time at Minnesota Private Colleges, 58% earned a bachelor's degree in four years.
 - This compares to 63% at the University of Minnesota (all campuses) and 51% at the Minnesota State universities (page 8).
- The four-year rates for non-Pell, full-time transfer and readmitted students were 69% at Minnesota Private Colleges, 73% at the University of Minnesota (all campuses), and 55% at the Minnesota State universities.
- Full-time transfer and readmitted Pell Grant recipients earned bachelor's degrees in four years at a rate 11 percentage points lower than non-Pell recipients at Minnesota Private Colleges.
 - The completion gap between Pell and non-Pell full-time transfer and readmitted students was 10 percentage points at the University of Minnesota (all campuses) and 4 percentage points at the Minnesota State universities.

Transfers and Readmits, Part-time Students by Pell Status

- There was a 6-percentage point difference in the four-year graduation rates between Pell part-time transfer and readmitted students and Non-Pell part-time transfer and readmitted students at MPCC institutions: 47% for Pell Grant recipients and 53% for non-Pell Grant recipients.
 - The four-year rate for Pell part-time transfers and readmits of 47% was higher than the 32% at the University of Minnesota (all campuses) and 41% at Minnesota State Universities.

³ Part-time students are defined as students that enrolled for less than 12 semester or quarter credits for their first full term upon entry.

⁴ Readmits are defined as students who have stopped out and re-enrolled at starting institution without having transferred to another institution.

- The four-year rate for non-Pell part-time transfers and readmits of 53% was higher than the 40% at the University of Minnesota (all campuses) and 45% at Minnesota State Universities.
- These part-time students compose 41% of the 2013-14 transfer and readmit cohort at Minnesota Private Colleges, 9% at the University of Minnesota, and 39% at Minnesota State Universities.

A “Snapshot” of Outcomes for Full-time Pell Recipients

- Pages 5 and 6 of the report show overall student outcomes for first-time and non-first-time students who were full-time at entry and who received Pell Grants. These figures show differences by sector in the rates over eight years of students who transferred out, remained at their institutions, and whose status was unknown, as well as the share of students who earn a bachelor’s degree within four, six and eight years.

Outcomes by Sector and Entry Status

First-time Students

Sector	Status at Entry	Cohort*	Bachelor's in	Bachelor's in	Bachelor's in	Still Enrolled at Eight Years	Transferred out Within Eight Years	Status Unknown, No Degree at Eight Years
			Four Years	Six Years	Eight Years			
MN Private Colleges	Full-time, Pell	2,545	56%	64%	65%	0%	24%	10%
	Full-time, non-Pell	6,846	70%	77%	78%	0%	17%	5%
	Part-time, Pell	59	17%	25%	34%	0%	24%	42%
	Part-time, non-Pell	43	23%	28%	28%	0%	33%	40%
	Total	9,493	66%	73%	74%	0%	19%	7%
University of Minnesota	Full-time, Pell	1,974	49%	66%	68%	0%	23%	9%
	Full-time, non-Pell	6,483	62%	78%	79%	0%	16%	5%
	Part-time, Pell	11	9%	9%	9%	0%	27%	64%
	Part-time, non-Pell	23	9%	35%	35%	0%	30%	35%
	Total	8,491	59%	75%	76%	0%	17%	6%
MN State Universities	Full-time, Pell	2,664	21%	41%	44%	1%	35%	20%
	Full-time, non-Pell	5,537	33%	55%	58%	1%	29%	12%
	Part-time, Pell	99	4%	21%	25%	0%	29%	45%
	Part-time, non-Pell	139	5%	22%	26%	2%	37%	35%
	Total	8,439	28%	50%	52%	1%	31%	16%
Total**	Full-time, Pell	7,561	40%	55%	57%	1%	28%	15%
	Full-time, non-Pell	19,303	56%	71%	72%	0%	20%	8%
	Part-time, Pell	196	8%	20%	25%	0%	27%	48%
	Part-time, non-Pell	216	9%	24%	26%	1%	35%	38%
	Total	27,276	51%	66%	67%	0%	22%	10%

Transfers and Readmits

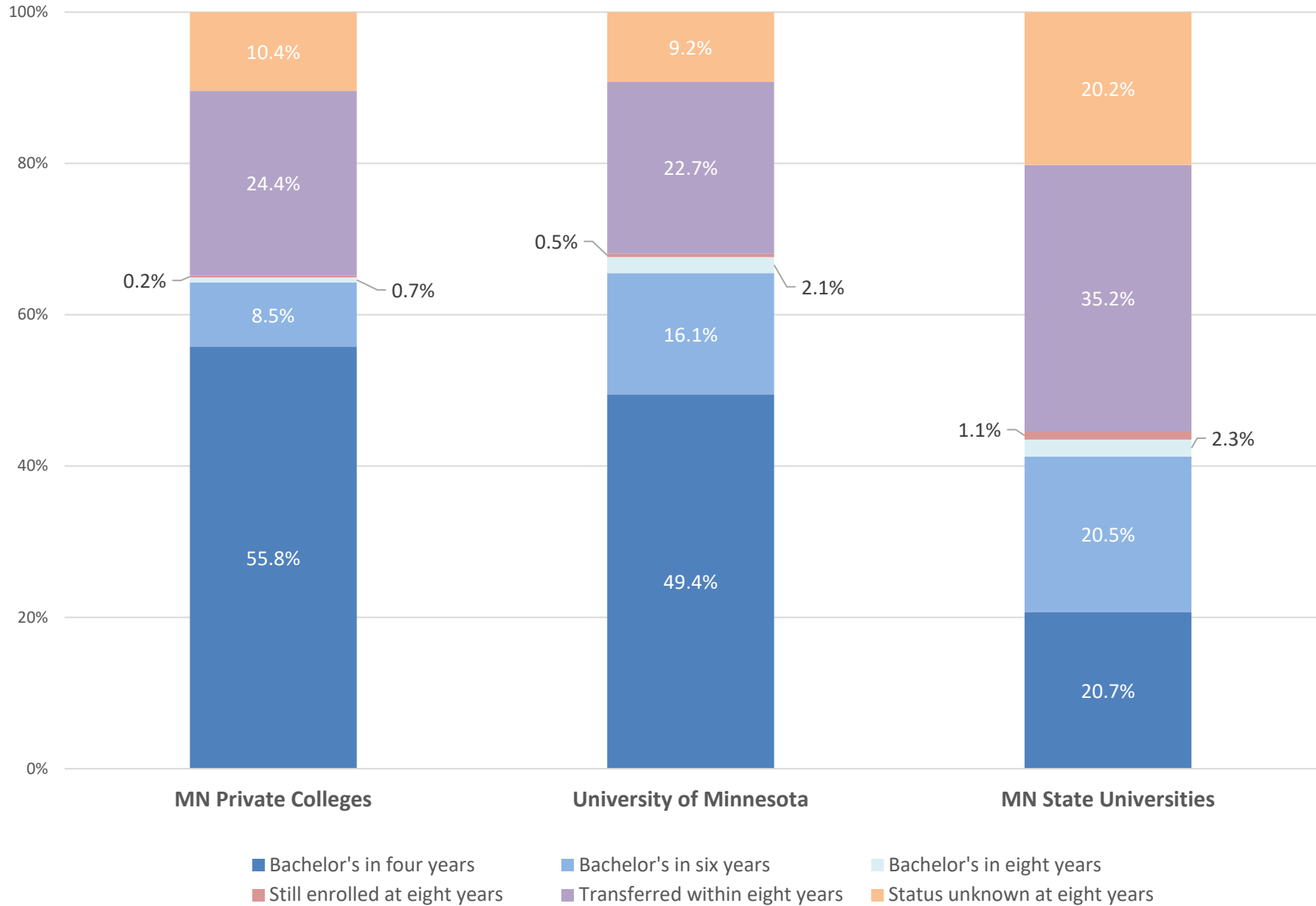
Sector	Status at Entry	Cohort*	Bachelor's in	Bachelor's in	Bachelor's in	Still Enrolled at Eight Years	Transferred out Within Eight Years	Status Unknown, No Degree at Eight Years
			Four Years	Six Years	Eight Years			
MN Private Colleges	Full-time, Pell	1,048	58%	64%	65%	0%	18%	17%
	Full-time, non-Pell	1,474	69%	73%	74%	0%	15%	11%
	Part-time, Pell	612	47%	53%	55%	1%	25%	20%
	Part-time, non-Pell	1,132	53%	58%	60%	1%	18%	21%
	Total	4,266	59%	64%	65%	0%	18%	16%
University of Minnesota	Full-time, Pell	1,314	63%	68%	68%	1%	19%	12%
	Full-time, non-Pell	2,979	73%	78%	79%	0%	12%	9%
	Part-time, Pell	106	32%	42%	42%	2%	30%	25%
	Part-time, non-Pell	339	40%	50%	53%	1%	22%	24%
	Total	4,738	67%	72%	73%	0%	15%	11%
MN State Universities	Full-time, Pell	2,266	51%	58%	60%	1%	20%	20%
	Full-time, non-Pell	2,991	55%	62%	64%	1%	20%	16%
	Part-time, Pell	1,259	41%	49%	51%	1%	20%	27%
	Part-time, non-Pell	2,117	45%	52%	54%	1%	22%	23%
	Total	8,633	49%	57%	59%	1%	20%	20%
Total**	Full-time, Pell	4,824	55%	61%	62%	1%	19%	18%
	Full-time, non-Pell	7,643	64%	70%	71%	0%	16%	13%
	Part-time, Pell	2,011	42%	49%	51%	1%	22%	26%
	Part-time, non-Pell	3,673	47%	54%	55%	1%	21%	23%
	Total	18,151	56%	62%	63%	1%	18%	18%

Source: U.S. Department of Education, IPEDS 2013-14 Cohort

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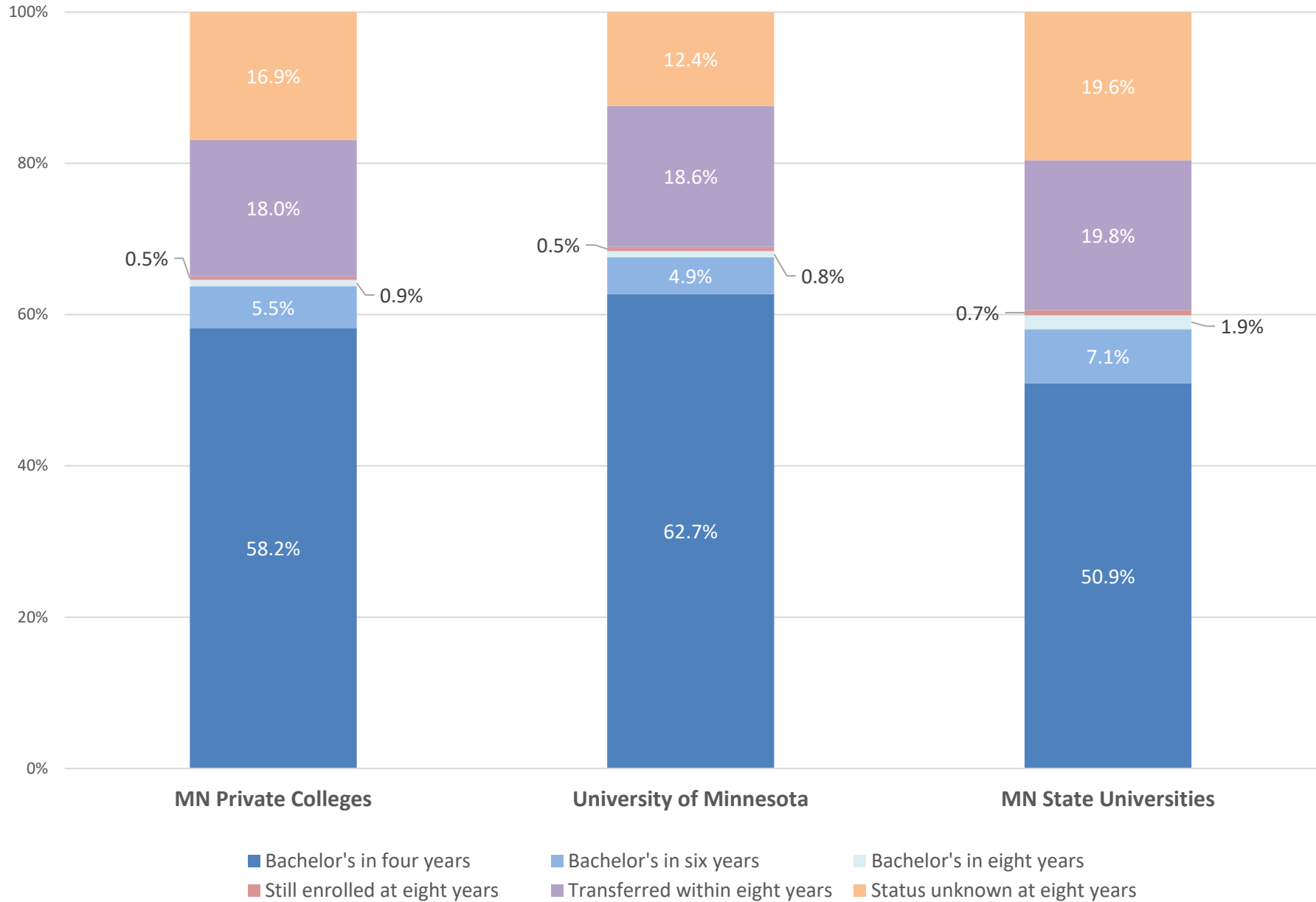
Outcomes for First-time, Full-time Pell Students by Sector



Source: US Department of Education, IPEDS 2013-14 Cohort

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Outcomes for Transfers and Readmits, Full-time Pell Students by Sector

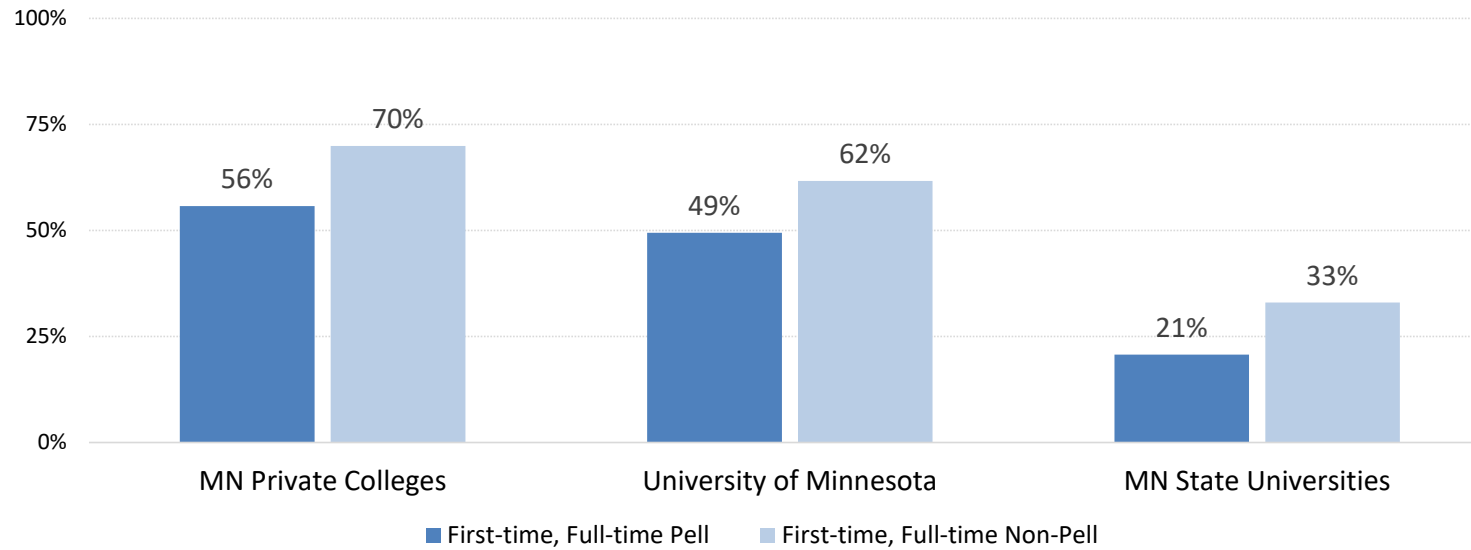


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Students Earning Bachelor's Degree in Four Years by Pell Recipient Status

First-time, Full-time Students



	2013-14 Cohort: First-time, Full-time Students*		Pell		Non-Pell		Pell Four-Year Bachelor's Rate	Non-Pell Four-Year Rate	Percentage Point Difference: Non- Pell vs. Pell
	Students	% of Cohort	Students	% of Cohort	Students	% of Cohort			
MN Private Colleges	9,391		2,545	27%	6,846	73%	56%	70%	14
University of Minnesota	8,457		1,974	23%	6,483	77%	49%	62%	12
MN State Universities	8,201		2,664	32%	5,537	68%	21%	33%	12
Total**	26,864		7,561	28%	19,303	72%	40%	56%	15

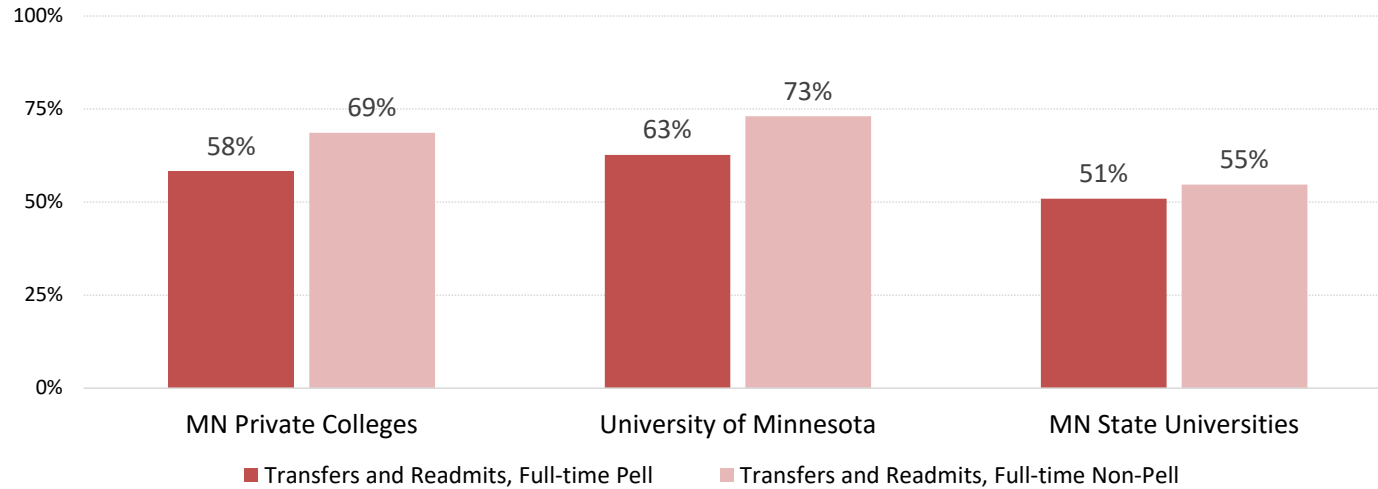
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Students Earning Bachelor's Degree in Four Years by Pell Recipient Status

Transfers and Readmits, Full-time Students



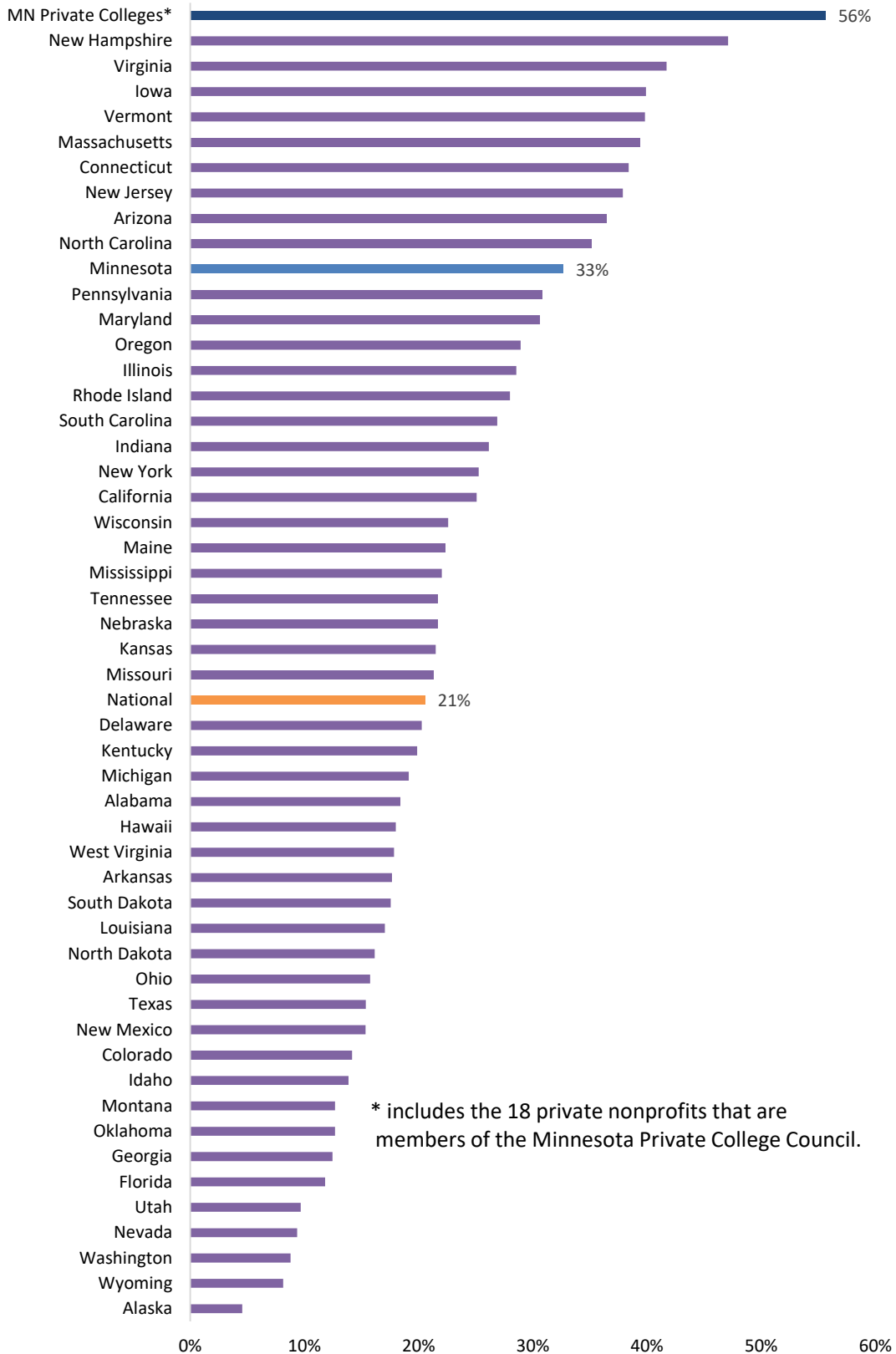
	2013-14 Cohort: Transfers and Readmits, Full-time Students*		Pell		Non-Pell		Pell Four-Year Bachelor's Rate	Non-Pell Four-Year Rate	Percentage Point Difference: Non- Pell vs. Pell
	Students	% of Cohort	Students	% of Cohort	Students	% of Cohort			
MN Private Colleges	2,522		1,048	42%	1,474	58%	58%	69%	10
University of Minnesota	4,293		1,314	31%	2,979	69%	63%	73%	10
MN State Universities	5,257		2,266	43%	2,991	57%	51%	55%	4
Total**	12,467		4,824	39%	7,643	61%	55%	64%	9

Source: U.S. Department of Education, IPEDS 2013-14 Cohort

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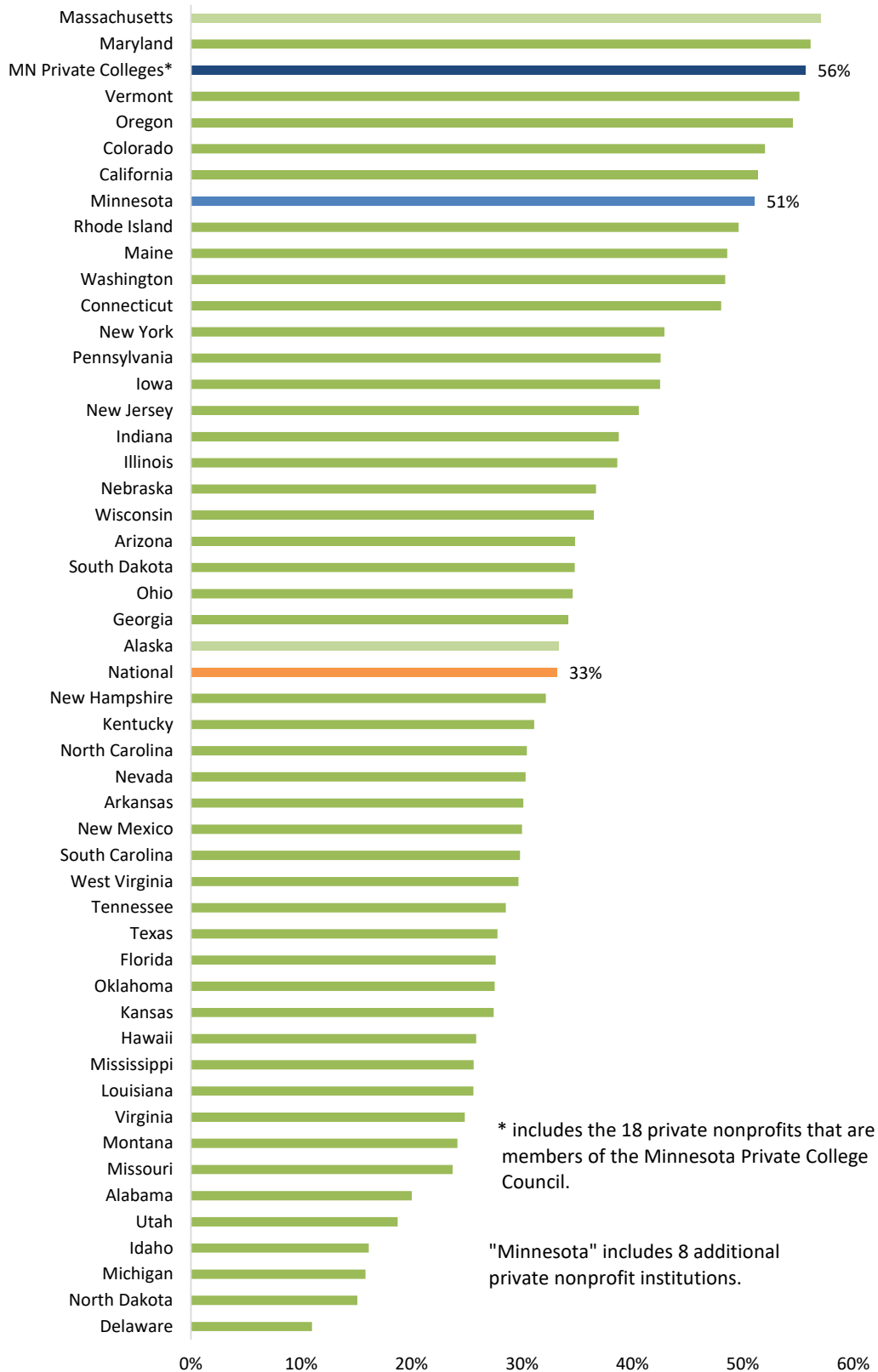
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Share Earning a Bachelor's Degree in 4 Years: First-time, Full-time Pell Students at 4-Year Public Institutions



Source: US Department of Education, IPEDS 2013-14 Cohort.

Share Earning a Bachelor's Degree in 4 Years: First-time, Full-time Pell Students at Private Nonprofit Institutions



Source: US Department of Education, IPEDS 2013-14 Cohort.