

These NSC reports focused on three student cohorts. The first cohort entered college as first-time, degree-seeking students in fall 2008. The research follows them through May 31, 2014, N=2,668,614. The second cohort entered college as first-time, degree-seeking students in fall 2009. The research follows them through May 31, 2015, N=2,911,898. The third cohort entered college as first-time, degree-seeking students in fall 2010. The research follows them through May 31, 2016, N=2,919,088.

Completing College: NH 4-Yr Public vs. U.S. Overall Student Attainment Rates: 2008, 2009, and 2010 Cohorts

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				Four-Year	Two-Year					

Table 1. Six-Year Outcomes for Students Who Started at Four-Year Public Institutions, by Origin State

2010 Cohort	U.S. Overall	62.43	49.46	9.76	3.21	13.24	24.33			
	NH	77.27	64.83	10.51	1.94	5.33	17.4		3	45
	Difference	14.84	15.37	0.75	-1.27	-7.91	-6.93			
								Gain or Loss	-1	
2009 Cohort	U.S. Overall	61.16	48.44	9.46	3.26	14.2	24.64			
	NH	78.51	66.68	10.13	1.7	6.12	15.37		2	45
	Difference	17.35	18.24	0.67	-1.56	-8.08	-9.27			
								Gain or Loss	0	
2008 Cohort	U.S. Overall	62.85	49.8	9.55	3.51	14.44	22.71			
	NH	78.17	64.84	10.95	2.38	6.38	15.45		2	46
	Difference	15.32	15.04	1.4	-1.13	-8.06	-7.26			

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Table 2. Six-Year Outcomes for Exclusively Full-Time Students Who Started at Four-Year Public Institutions, by Origin State

2010 Cohort	U.S. Overall	81.15	71.44	7.9	1.8	3.69	15.16				
	NH	88.44	78.79	8.94	0.72	1.11	10.44		3	45	
	Difference	7.29	7.35	1.04	-1.08	-2.58	-4.72	Gain or Loss	1		
2009 Cohort	U.S. Overall	80.42	70.66	7.81	1.95	3.84	15.73				
	NH	90.24	80.95	8.58	0.71	1.2	8.56		2	45	
	Difference	9.82	10.29	0.77	-1.24	-2.64	-7.17	Gain or Loss	1		
2008 Cohort	U.S. Overall	82.51	72.16	8.22	2.14	3.56	13.93				
	NH	89.34	78.82	9.69	0.83	1.24	9.42		3	46	
	Difference	6.83	6.66	1.47	-1.31	-2.32	-4.51				

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Table 3. Six-Year Outcomes for Exclusively Part-Time Students Who Started at Four-Year Public Institutions, by Origin State

2010 Cohort	U.S. Overall	19.7	16.67	1.38	1.66	7.65	72.65				
	NH	21.51	18.82	1.08	1.61	8.07	70.42		18	45	
	Difference	1.81	2.15	-0.3	-0.05	0.42	-2.23				
								Gain or Loss	-1		
2009 Cohort	U.S. Overall	19.07	15.66	1.38	2.04	8.42	72.51				
	NH	23.05	20.79	1.82	0.44	7.52	69.53		17	45	
	Difference	3.98	5.13	0.44	-1.6	-0.9	-2.98				
								Gain or Loss	15		
2008 Cohort	U.S. Overall	21.4	16.69	1.52	3.19	10.54	68.07				
	NH	15.52	13.01	1.51	1	13.52	70.97		32	45	
	Difference	-5.88	-3.68	-0.01	-2.19	2.98	2.9				

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Table 5. Six-Year Outcomes for Students Age 20 or Younger at First Entry Who Started at Four-Year Public Institutions, by Origin State

2010 Cohort	U.S. Overall	65.62	51.25	10.9	3.46	13.77	20.61				
	NH	80.25	67.01	11.24	2	5.05	14.7		2	45	
	Difference	14.63	15.76	0.34	-1.46	-8.72	-5.91				
								Gain or Loss	0		
2009 Cohort	U.S. Overall	64.97	50.87	10.6	3.5	14.71	20.32				
	NH	81.5	68.84	10.84	1.82	5.98	12.52		2	45	
	Difference	16.53	17.97	0.24	-1.68	-8.73	-7.8				
								Gain or Loss	0		
2008 Cohort	U.S. Overall	65.68	51.59	10.48	3.61	14.75	19.56				
	NH	80.91	66.95	11.5	2.46	5.81	13.28		2	46	
	Difference	15.23	15.36	1.02	-1.15	-8.94	-6.28				

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Table 6. Six-Year Outcomes for Students Age 20 Through Age 24 at First Entry Who Started at Four-Year Public Institutions, by Origin State

2010 Cohort	U.S. Overall	50.08	43.42	4.34	2.33	10.88	39.04				
	NH	56.8	52.92	3.88	0	4.53	38.67		15		
	Difference	6.72	9.5	-0.46	-2.33	-6.35	-0.37	Gain or Loss	-11		
2009 Cohort	U.S. Overall	43.08	36.56	4.06	2.46	12.71	44.21				
	NH	73.06	66.44	5.64	0.97	6.97	19.97		4	45	
	Difference	29.98	29.88	1.58	-1.49	-5.74	-24.24				
								Gain or Loss	11		
2008 Cohort	U.S. Overall	50.7	42.08	5.16	3.47	14.48	34.82				
	NH	61.15	49.64	9.36	2.16	14.39	24.45		15	46	
	Difference	10.45	7.56	4.2	-1.31	-0.09	-10.37				

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Table 7. Six-Year Outcomes for Students Over Age 24 at First Entry Who Started at Four-Year Public Institutions, by Origin State

2010 Cohort	U.S. Overall	44.77	39.11	3.89	1.77	10.44	44.79				
	NH	46.09	40.77	3.47	1.85	9.47	44.43		23	45	
	Difference	1.32	1.66	-0.42	0.08	-0.97	-0.36	Gain or Loss	-1		
2009 Cohort	U.S. Overall	42.6	36.86	3.78	1.95	11.35	46.05				
	NH	46.27	41.61	3.99	0.67	7.31	46.43		22	45	
	Difference	3.67	4.75	0.21	-1.28	-4.04	0.38	Gain or Loss	7		
2008 Cohort	U.S. Overall	45.85	39.2	3.9	2.76	12.14	42.01				
	NH	44.53	39.85	3.5	1.17	11.64	43.83		29	46	
	Difference	-1.32	0.65	-0.4	-1.59	-0.5	1.82				

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Table 8. Six-Year Outcomes for Women Who Started at Four-Year Public Institutions, by Origin State

2010 Cohort	U.S. Overall	66.25	51.28	11.3	3.67	12.54	21.22				
	NH	80.6	66.97	11.56	2.07	4.62	14.78		3	45	
	Difference	14.35	15.69	0.26	-1.6	-7.92	-6.44				
								Gain or Loss	-1		
2009 Cohort	U.S. Overall	65.14	50.45	10.96	3.73	13.44	21.42				
	NH	81.82	68.37	11.97	1.48	5.29	12.89		2	45	
	Difference	16.68	17.92	1.01	-2.25	-8.15	-8.53				
								Gain or Loss	0		
2008 Cohort	U.S. Overall	66.87	51.94	10.98	3.95	13.48	19.65				
	NH	82.59	67.33	12.76	2.5	5.66	11.75		2	46	
	Difference	15.72	15.39	1.78	-1.45	-7.82	-7.9				

NH has dropped just shy of 2 % over two years, but still ranks in the top 3.

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Table 9. Six-Year Outcomes for Men Who Started at Four-Year Public Institutions, by Origin State

2010 Cohort	U.S. Overall	58.33	46.93	8.52	2.88	14.66	27.01				
	NH	73.36	61.73	9.69	1.93	6.34	20.29		3	45	
	Difference	15.03	14.8	1.17	-0.95	-8.32	-6.72				
								Gain or Loss	-1		
2009 Cohort	U.S. Overall	57.07	45.93	8.24	2.9	15.66	27.27				
	NH	74.7	64.63	8.08	1.99	7.28	18.03		2	45	
	Difference	17.63	18.7	-0.16	-0.91	-8.38	-9.24				
								Gain or Loss	1		
2008 Cohort	U.S. Overall	58.73	47.17	8.36	3.2	16.06	25.21				
	NH	73.14	61.57	9.2	2.38	7.27	19.58		3	46	
	Difference	14.41	14.4	0.84	-0.82	-8.79	-5.63				

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