

Spring 2024 TACC Preliminary Enrollment Report

Executive Summary

In February 2024, TACC collected preliminary enrollment data from 46 member colleges. Initial data reporting indicates that our colleges have started to rebound from the impacts of the pandemic. How these enrollment trends correlate with outcomes for dual credit, credit, and continuing education students will become increasingly important based on the new community college finance model created in <u>HB 8</u>.

Key takeaways:

- For Spring 2024, preliminary data from our member colleges show a projected increase of 5.2% compared to Spring 2023. This is an additional 24,651 students enrolled compared to last Spring.
- For our 46 member colleges who provided data, the majority (n=34) are projecting an increase in enrollment compared to last year. See Table 1 below for additional details.
 - o 19 colleges project an increase of 5% or more compared to Spring 2023
- Preliminary member data indicates that community colleges will see an increase in enrollment in Spring 2024 across institutions of all sizes and peer groups compared to Spring 2023. Please see Table 2 and Table 3 for additional details.
 - Very Large colleges are projecting the largest increase at 6.1%.
 - o Colleges in the Central TACC Region account for the largest increase at 7.9%
- Additional analysis of reporting colleges indicates that student demographics have remained relatively flat with a small decrease in Caucasian students compared to last Spring. See Table 4 for additional details.
- There have been more noteworthy shifts in student type (n=34) breakouts with the percentage of students being lower across student types including a 2% decrease in dual credit compared to Spring 2023. See Table 5 for additional details.
 - Economically disadvantaged student enrollment is projected to decrease by 4.5%.
 - o Academically disadvantaged student enrollment is projected to decrease by 3.6%.
- Analysis of new data reporting on continuing education enrollment, for FY24 quarter 2, indicated that
 demographics and student type enrollments will remain relatively stable. See Table 6 and Table 7 for
 additional details.
 - Projected enrollments indicate a small decrease in Hispanic or Latino students of 0.4%, with little change in Caucasian and African American students.
 - At the same time, there is a projected increase in part-time students of 1.1%.

Key Caveats

- Enrollments may continue to shift as the Spring 2024 and Quarter 2 data are finalized and certified.
 - These shifts are likely to be most dramatic across student types, particularly among continuing education students, given limited data available at this time.
- Publicly available certified data via the THECB Accountability System were limited for many of the breakouts reported here. Certified data was used in lieu of submitted data if there was a discrepancy between the data submitted to TACC and the publicly posted certified data.

Sources Spring 2024TACC Enrollment Data Request; THECB <u>Accountability System.</u>

Table 1. Spring 2024 Preliminary Enrollment (n=46)			
College	Spring 2023 Certified	Spring 2024 Preliminary	1-year % Change (2023 to 2024)
Alamo Colleges	49,497	52,651	6.4%
Alvin Community College	4,882	4,884	0.0%
Amarillo College	8,078	8,066	-0.1%
Angelina College		data not provid	ded
Austin Community College	30,884	36,363	17.7%
Blinn College	16,784	16,712	-0.4%
Brazosport College	3,760	4,157	10.6%
Central Texas College	6,020	6,168	2.5%
Cisco College	2,725	3,122	14.6%
Clarendon College	1,231	1,346	9.3%
Coastal Bend College	3,666	3,589	-2.1%
College of the Mainland	4,030	4,547	12.8%
Dallas College	55,575	60,019	8.0%
Del Mar College	9,015	9,209	2.2%
El Paso Community College	22,062	22,255	0.9%
Frank Phillips College	1,548	1,668	7.8%
Galveston College	1,931	1,958	1.4%
Grayson College	3,621	3,706	2.3%
Hill College	3,501	3,664	4.7%
Houston Community College	39,001	41,475	6.3%
Howard College	3,120	2,873	-7.9%
Kilgore College	4,681	5,349	14.3%
Laredo College	9,313	10,145	8.9%
Lee College	7,552	7,772	2.9%
McLennan Community College	6,116	6,414	4.9%
Midland College	5,027	5,035	0.2%
Navarro College	5,701	5,814	2.0%
North Central Texas College	7,509	7,663	2.1%
Northeast Texas Community College	2,670	2,684	0.5%
Odessa College	7,962	7,905	-0.7%
Panola College	2,106	2,214	5.1%
Paris Junior College	3,875	4,035	4.1%
Ranger College	2,145	2,385	11.2%
San Jacinto College	27,627	28,506	3.2%
South Plains College	8,244	9,130	10.7%
South Texas College	26,046	25,408	-2.4%
Southwest Texas Junior College	5,196	5,086	-2.1%
Tarrant County College	38,060	39,728	4.4%
Temple College	3,910	4,361	11.5%
Texarkana College	3,251	3,056	-6.0%
Texas Southmost College	8,221	8,838	7.5%
Trinity Valley Community College	5,118	5,486	7.2%
Tyler Junior College	data not provided		
Vernon College	2,048	1,990	-2.8%
Victoria College	2,737	2,874	5.0%
Weatherford College	5,009	5,054	0.9%
Western Texas College	1,445	1,439	-0.4%
Wharton County Junior College	5,409	5,757	6.4%
Reporting CC Total	477,909	502,560	5.2%

Table 2. Spring 2024 Preliminary Enrollment by Peer Group (n=46)			
THECB Peer Group	Spring 2024 Preliminary Composite	1-year % Change (2023 to 2024)	
Small Colleges	3.9%	1.4%	
Medium Colleges	20.8%	3.6%	
Large Colleges	14.5%	3.2%	
Very Large Colleges	60.8%	6.1%	

Table 3. Spring 2024 Preliminary Enrollment by TACC Region (n=46)			
TACC Region	Spring 2024 Preliminary Composite	1-year % Change (2023 to 2024)	
Central	15.8%	7.9%	
East	4.5%	5.2%	
North	24.5%	6.0%	
South	23.4%	3.6%	
Southeast	19.7%	5.2%	
West	12.1%	1.6%	

Table 4. TACC Preliminary Spring 2024 Changes in Student Demographics (n=46)			
	Spring 2024 Preliminary Composition	1-year % Change (2023 to 2024)	
Race/ethnicity	·		
Hispanic or Latino	51.2%	0.2%	
Black/African-American	11.3%	0.0%	
White	27.1%	-0.7%	
Asian	4.5%	0.1%	
International	2.1%	0.2%	
Multiracial/ American Indian/ Alaskan Native/ Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific			
Islander	0.3%	-0.1%	
Ethnic Origin/Race Unknown	3.4%	0.4%	
Gender			
Female	58.2%	-0.2%	
Male	41.5%	0.1%	

Table 5. TACC Preliminary Spring 2024 Changes in Student Type (n=34*)			
	Spring 2024 Preliminary Composition	1-year % Change (2023 to 2024)	
Student Type			
Dual Credit	29.8%	-2.0%	
First Time in College	4.3%	-0.1%	
First-time Transfer	3.2%	-0.6%	
Returning Students	68.7%	-4.9%	
Enrollment Status			
Full-Time (>= 12 SCH)	25.0%	-1.2%	
Part-Time (<12 SCH)	69.4%	-4.8%	
Student Characteristics			
Academically Disadvantaged	22.5%	-3.6%	
Economically Disadvantaged	26.8%	-4.5%	

Table 6. TACC Preliminary Spring 2024 Changes in Continuing Education Student **Demographics (n=39*)** 1-year % Change **Q2 FY24 Composite** Quarter 2 (31,392 students) (2023 to 2024) Race/ethnicity Hispanic or Latino -0.4% 38.0% White 34.0% 0.1% Black/African-American 10.4% 0.1% Asian 3.1% 0.2% International 2.0% -0.1% Multiracial/ American Indian/ Alaskan Native/ Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander 1.6% 0.2% Ethnic Origin/Race Unknown 10.8% -0.1%

38.8%

61.2%

Female

Male

Gender

Table 7. TACC Preliminary Spring 2024 Changes in Continuing Education Student Type (n=19*)			
	Q2 FY24 Composite	1-year % Change Quarter 2 (2023 to 2024)	
Enrollment Type			
Full-Time (>= 12 SCH equivalent)	6.9%	-1.1%	
Part-Time (<12 SCH equivalent)	93.1%	1.1%	

1.6%

-1.6%