

# BY THE NUMBERS

## TEXAS COMMUNITY COLLEGES

are the **LARGEST SECTOR** of higher education, serving as the primary gateway to opportunity and workforce development across the state.

As hubs of innovation, they prepare students for in-demand careers, driving economic growth and meeting the evolving needs of Texas industries.

With a commitment to **BUILDING THE NEXT GENERATION WORKFORCE**, community colleges play a pivotal role in shaping Texas' future.

SERVING MORE THAN

**700,000**  
STUDENTS\*



IN 2023, AWARDED

**125,215**  
CERTIFICATES & DEGREES

PROVIDING

**96%**

OF ALL CAREER & TECHNICAL  
EDUCATION CERTIFICATES AND  
DEGREES AWARDED BY PUBLIC  
TWO-YEAR COLLEGES



## HOUSE BILL 8 IN ACTION

Statewide Data on All Participants of the Financial Aid for Swift Transfer (FAST) Program\*



**1.46M**

semester credit hours of dual credit have been provided **at no cost to students.**



**260K**

students with financial need have been served by this program.



**\$79.6M**

in funding has been **disbursed to institutions** participating in FAST.



Texas community colleges saw

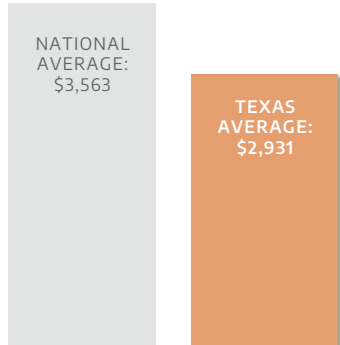
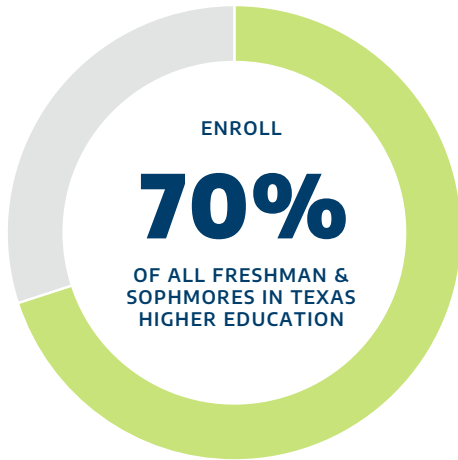
**22%**

**increase in dual credit enrollment** from Fall 2022 to Fall 2024.

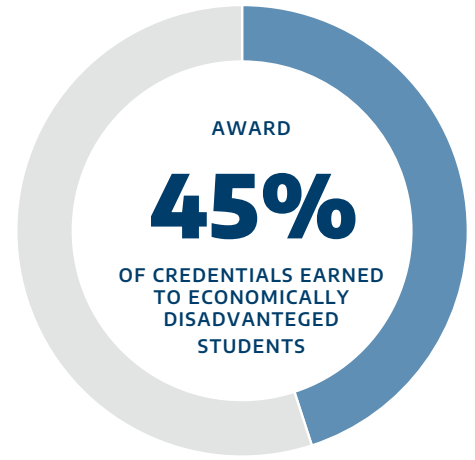
Source: TACC, 2024



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**5TH** MOST AFFORDABLE PUBLIC TWO-YEAR TUITION & FEES IN THE NATION



IN ADDITION TO 125,215 TRADITIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION CERTIFICATES & DEGREES, TEXAS COMMUNITY COLLEGES...



AWARDED  
**22,303**  
SHORT-TERM FUNDABLE WORKFORCE CREDENTIALS...

TRANSFERRED  
**55,742**

STUDENTS WITH AT LEAST 15 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS...



AND, HAD  
**53,099**  
DUAL CREDIT STUDENTS EARN AT LEAST 15 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS.

## ACCESSIBLE TO ALL

Texas community colleges serve students from all walks of life, providing accessible, high-quality education to meet the diverse needs of their communities.

From recent high school graduates to working professionals looking to upskill, these institutions create pathways to opportunity for all.

Notably, **21%** of students enrolled at community colleges are **ADULT LEARNERS**, meaning they are 25 years of age or older.



The average Texas community college student is...

**22 YEARS OLD**