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Who Are Today’s New Jersey College Students?

- 75% working while in college
- 34% going part-time
- 24% undergraduates age 25 or older
- 56% racial/ethnic minority
  - Black 13%
  - Latinx 20%
  - Asian 10%
  - Other 13%
Over 50% of entering students are placed into remediation at two-year colleges in the state and about 25% at four-year colleges.
Payoff of a College Degree in New Jersey has Increased Over the Past Decade

- **Graduate or professional degree:**
  - United States 2017: $71,097
  - New Jersey 2017: $86,548
  - New Jersey 2007: $76,609

- **Bachelor's degree:**
  - United States 2017: $52,484
  - New Jersey 2017: $63,545
  - New Jersey 2007: $55,191

- **Some college or associate's degree:**
  - United States 2017: $36,190
  - New Jersey 2017: $41,178
  - New Jersey 2007: $40,354

- **High school graduate (and equivalency):**
  - United States 2017: $30,624
  - New Jersey 2017: $34,137
  - New Jersey 2007: $32,036

- **Less than high school graduate:**
  - United States 2017: $23,031
  - New Jersey 2017: $22,930
  - New Jersey 2007: $21,863

- **Total:**
  - United States 2017: $40,069
  - New Jersey 2017: $49,671
  - New Jersey 2007: $42,264

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005-2007 American Community Survey, 2017 1-year estimates American Community Survey
NEW JERSEY’S BIG GOAL

IMPROVE COLLEGE COMPLETION + INCREASE ADULT ENROLLMENT = EQUITABLE ECONOMIC GROWTH

65% X 2025
Massive **Gaps** in Who Goes to College and What Colleges They Attend

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Source: NJ DOE School/District Performance Reports, [https://rc.doe.state.nj.us/PerformanceReports.aspx](https://rc.doe.state.nj.us/PerformanceReports.aspx), 2016-17 NJ High School Graduates, Enrollment in Postsecondary Education within 16 months of graduation
New Jersey College Success Outcomes

- **Top 5** in the nation in graduation rates for 4-year public colleges.

- **Top 10** in the graduation rates for all 4-year colleges.

- **Bottom 10** in graduation rates for 2-year public colleges.
Fewer than 4 in 10 Community College First-Year Students Graduate or Transfer

Source: IPEDS Graduation Rate Survey for the 19 County Colleges in the State of New Jersey
Students at NJ Community Colleges Graduate and Transfer at Lower Rates than National Average

Source: IPEDS Graduation Rate Survey, 2013 Cohort
1 out of 6 Hispanic and 1 out of 9 Black Students at NJ Community Colleges Graduates in 3 Years

Source: IPEDS Graduation Rate Survey
New Jersey has **4th Highest Graduation Rate** Among Four-Year Public Colleges

Source: IPEDS Graduation Rate Survey, 2013 Cohort
Only Half of NJ’s Black Students and 56% of Hispanic Students Graduate with Bachelors in 6 Years
The College Completion Triangle

Financial

Social

Academic
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Engage adults—particularly those who started and never finished.

Improve levels of completion among students already enrolled.

Close equity gaps in HS graduation and college enrollment.

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