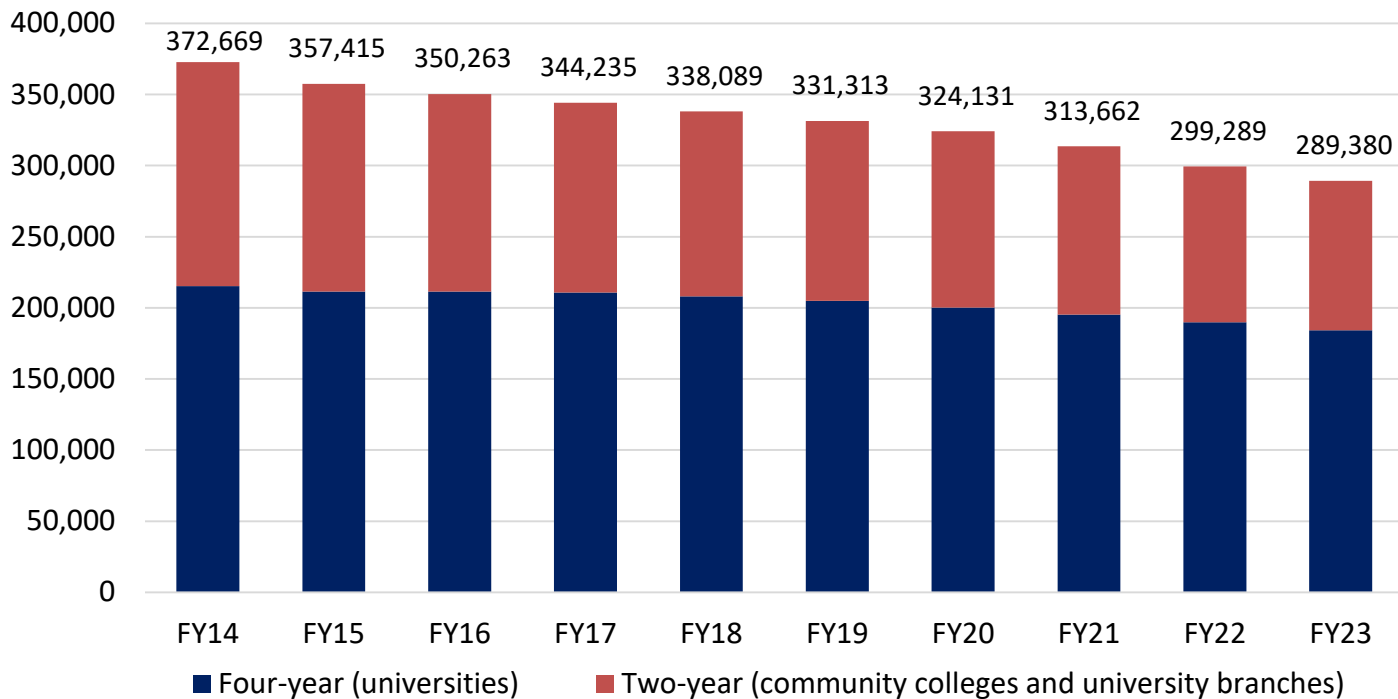


Higher education enrollment continues decline

Total Subsidy-Eligible FTE Students*



Source: Ohio Department of Higher Education

*An FTE (full-time equivalent) student is based on one student taking 15 credit hours per semester or the equivalent. Subsidy-eligible FTEs include all but out-of-state undergraduate students.

- Total student enrollment at public colleges and universities has decreased each year since FY 2014.
- FY 2023 enrollment was 83,289 FTEs (22.3%) lower than FY 2014, the decrease led by two-year campuses.
- Decreases from FY 2014 to FY 2023:
 - 33.2% (52,216) two-year campuses
 - 14.4% (31,073) four-year campuses
- Enrollment decreased by an average annual rate of 3.7% from FY 2020 to FY 2023, a faster rate than the average annual decrease of 1.9% in the five years (FY 2015-FY 2020) prior to the pandemic.
- Decreases from FY 2022 to FY 2023:
 - 3.9% (4,227) two-year campuses
 - 3.0% (5,683) four-year campuses