



# State-level Progress Metrics and Public Dashboards

*SHEEO Community of Practice - Data Modeling and Visualization in Support of  
State Attainment Goals*

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THE #CORISES GOAL  
BY 2025

# 66%

of adults in Colorado will earn a post-  
high school certificate or degree

<http://masterplan.highered.colorado.gov/>



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**Percentage  
of adult  
population in  
Colorado  
with a  
degree or  
certificate**

**56.2%**



# White Student Attainment

2012 - 53.3%

2018 - 65.1%

2025 - 67.1%

**NO GAP**



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## Hispanic Attainment

2012 - 18.0%

2018 - 28.8%

2025 - 66.0%

**GAP = 37.2%**



## African American Attainment

2012 - 32.2%

2018 - 45.0%

2025 - 66.0%

**GAP = 21.0%**



## American Indian Attainment

2012 - 28.3%

2018 - 37.7%

2025 - 66.0%

**GAP = 28.3%**



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# SB17-297

## Revising Higher Education Performance Requirements

- The Department and IHEs shall annually affirm the **institutions' contribution** toward meeting master plan goals.
  - Institutional contribution toward master plan goals must be outlined in accordance with IHE's role and mission and include, at a minimum:
  - Increasing annual completions by **minority and low-income students**; and  
Improving **persistence and retention**.
- Institutional contributions shall be measured using the data already submitted to SURDS.

<http://leg.colorado.gov/bills/sb17-297>



<http://masterplan.highered.colorado.gov/dashboard/#masterplan>



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## COLORADO RISES: Master Plan Dashboard

The recently released statewide master plan for postsecondary education, Colorado Rises: Advancing Education and Talent Development, promotes a statewide attainment goal of 66% by 2025.

Embedded in the plan are four strategic goals along with a list of complementary performance measures designed to track annual progress.

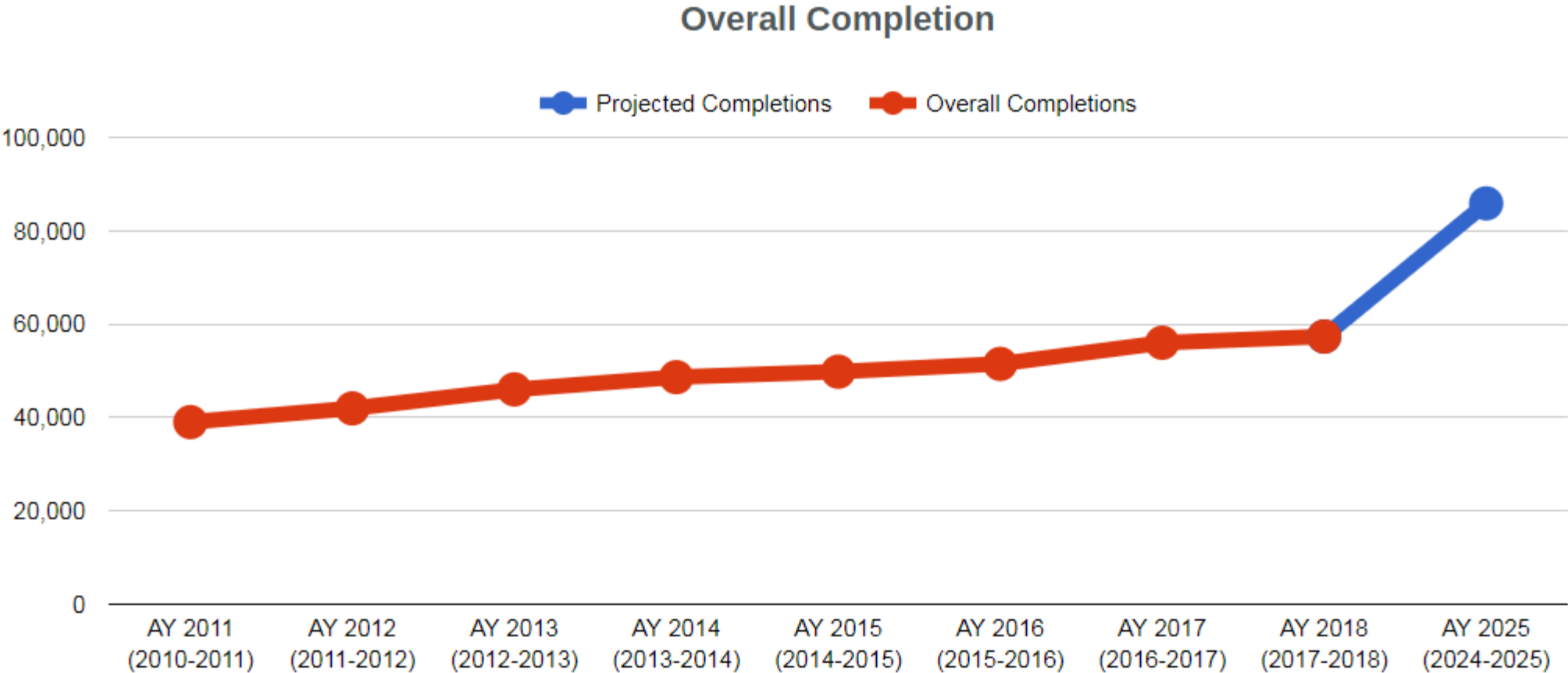
The dashboard below reflects statewide performance to date as well as the performance of Colorado's public postsecondary institutions toward the Master Plan goals. Information displayed on the dashboard is measured from 2012 to present, to reflect performance on key measures since the statewide attainment goal was originally set in that year.

[VIEW THE DASHBOARD](#)

# 2017 Colorado Performance

## Strategic Goal #1 Increase Credential Completion

The first goal calls for Colorado to significantly increase the number of credentials that students earn over an eight-year period and increase credential completion for high-demand areas of STEM-educated workers and a growing shortage of educators. The chart shows total annual credentials earned by students at our public institutions.

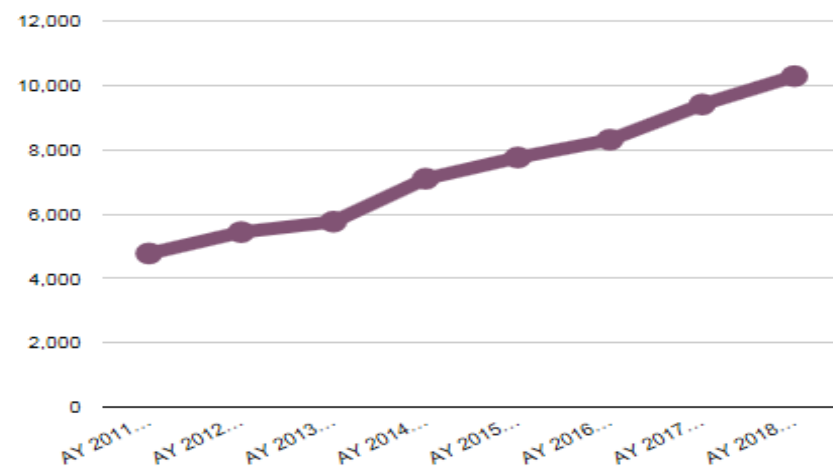




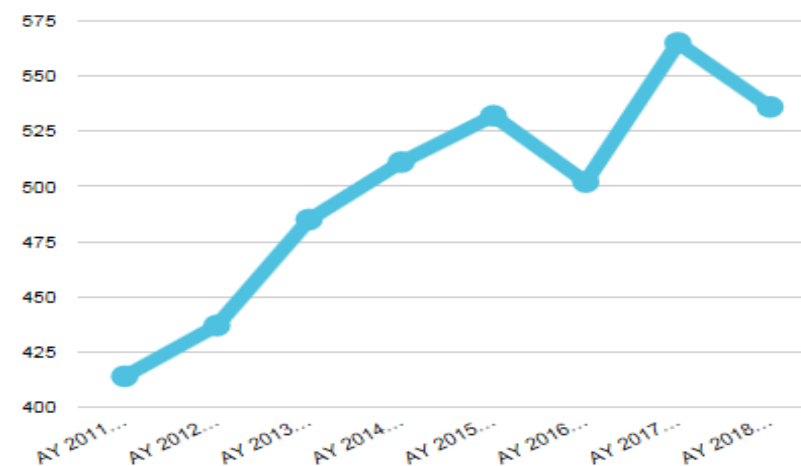
## Strategic Goal #2 Erase Equity Gaps

Success in meeting the statewide goal of 66% hinges on improving all students completion in colleges, universities and other pathways in the state. However, Colorado will not meet the goal without an intentional focus on erasing equity gaps and accelerating minority completion. The following charts show annual credentials earned by Hispanic, African American and Native American students at our public institutions and area technical colleges.

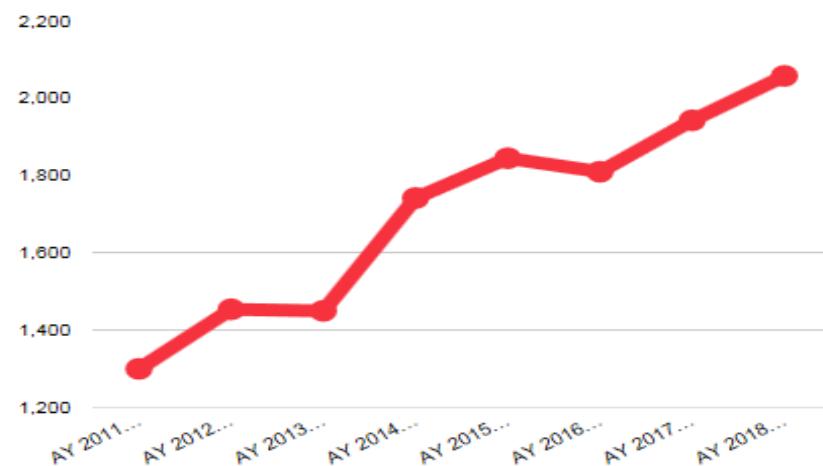
### Equity Completions - Hispanic



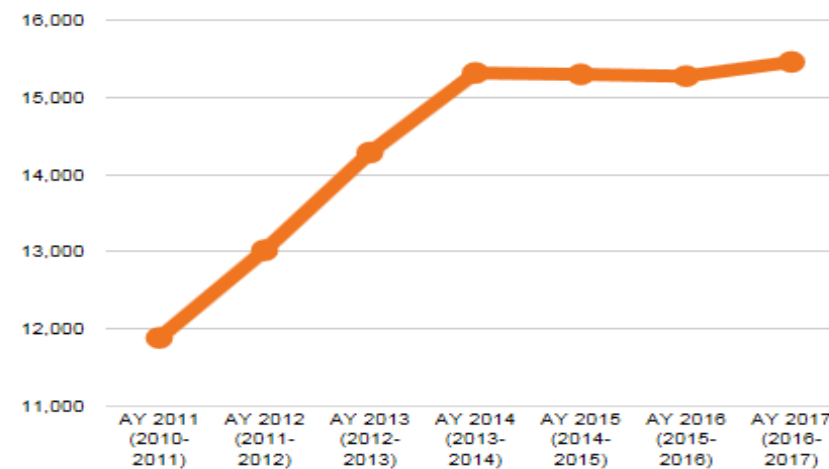
### Equity Completions - Native American



### Equity Completions - African American

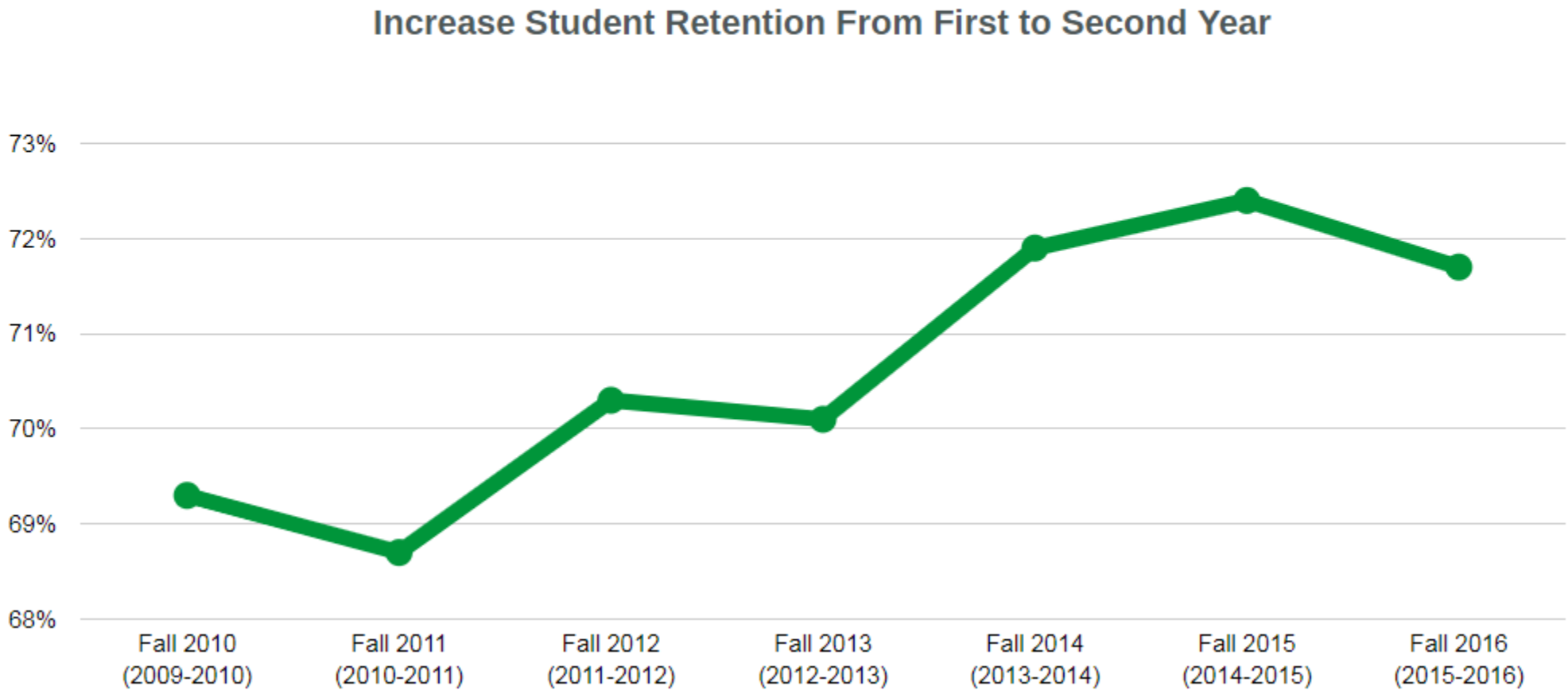


### Pell Eligible (2017 - 2018 Coming Soon)



### Strategic Goal #3 Improve Student Success

The third goal promotes students' timely completion through new approaches and practices. The following chart shows the overall retention of students attending two-year and four-year institutions from year one to year two, an indication of student progress.





## Strategic Goal #4 Invest in Affordability and Innovation

The fourth goal recognizes that meeting the first three goals will require increased investment in our public system of higher education. It also encourages our institutions to embrace new models that reduce costs and time-to-degree. The state’s disinvestment over the past two decades has meant that students and families bear an increasing proportion of the cost of education. The graphs below show the completion rates of Pell eligible students and average debt of students graduating with debt in Colorado versus other states.

### Colorado Debt Indicators

#### Colorado’s Student Debt

## Public 4-Year Institutions And Private Non-Profit 4-Year Institutions

Average Debt	Proportion with Debt Rank	Proportion with Debt	Average Debt Rank
\$26,530.00	38	52%	36

# 2017 Colorado Performance

The following dashboard data showcases the Colorado Department of Higher Education's commitment to transparency across institutions in accordance with [SB17-297](#) and Colorado's Statewide Higher Education Master Plan. The following tables show the public institutions commitment to growth and alignment to the statewide Master Plan. The three following tables represent statewide, aggregated targets and aspirational goals for completion, equity completion and retention. The searchable table/dashboard shows completions by institution and by the target racial/ethnic groups. Data have been validated by each Governing Board and as reported to the state's Student Unit Record Data System (SURDS) and the federal Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS).

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▲	2016 - 2017 Annual Production ▲	Current Performance Target ▲	Current Aspirational Goal ▲
Increase Credential Completions	56,019	56,815 (+756)	58,360 (+2,341)

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▲	2016 - 2017 Annual Production ▲	Current Performance Target ▲	Current Aspirational Goal ▲
African American Student Completion	1,942	2,014 (+72)	2,096 (+154)
Hispanic Student Completion	9,402	9,843 (+441)	10,131 (+729)
Native American Student Completion	565	528 (-37)	590 (+25)
Pell Eligible Student Completion	15,452	17,270 (+1,818)	17,767 (+2,315)

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▲	Fall 2016 ▲	Fall 2017 Current Performance Target ▲	Fall 2017 Aspirational Goal ▲
Increase Student Retention	71.70%	1% to 2%	2% to 3%



# ECONorthwest Attainment Predictive Modeling

Utilizing Colorado's student unit level data, demographic trends and other assumptions, ECONorthwest produced two models:

1. Attainment Model
2. Scenario Model

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# SCENARIO MODEL

## Colorado postsecondary model

### Controls

Postsecondary attainment goal (ages 25-34)

66%

Output year: 2025

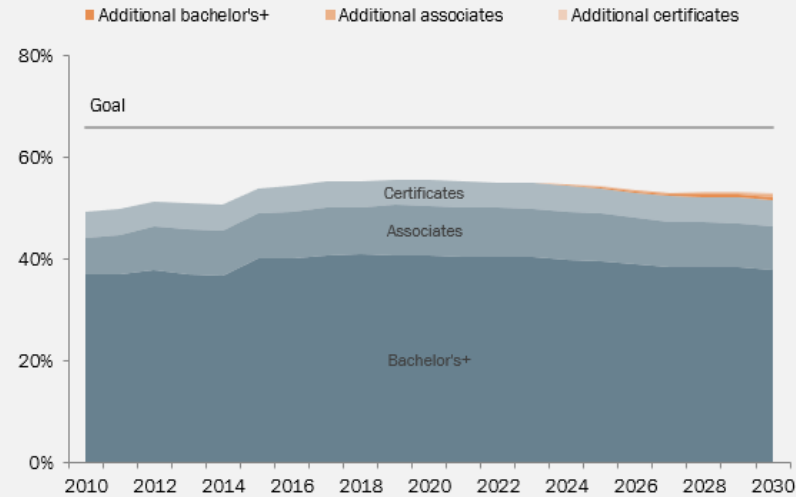
### Strategies

Target implementation

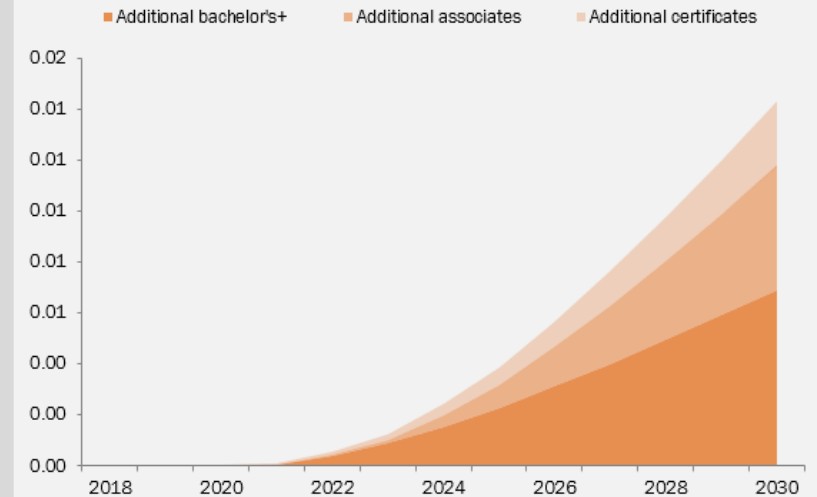
Target year

- ☒ ASCENT 4,000 2025
- ☒ Other concurrent enrollment 60,000 2025
- ☒ Supplemental Academic Instruction 20,000 2025
- ☒ Degree Within Reach 4,000 2025

### Projected postsecondary attainment, ages 25-34, CO

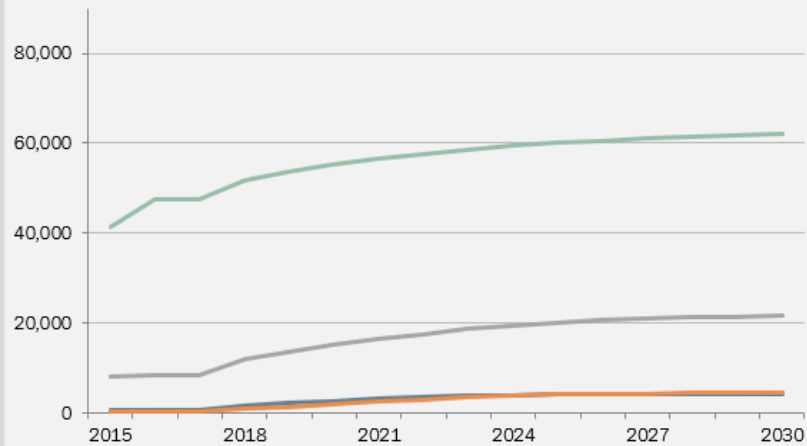


### Percentage point increase in postsecondary attainment, ages 25-34

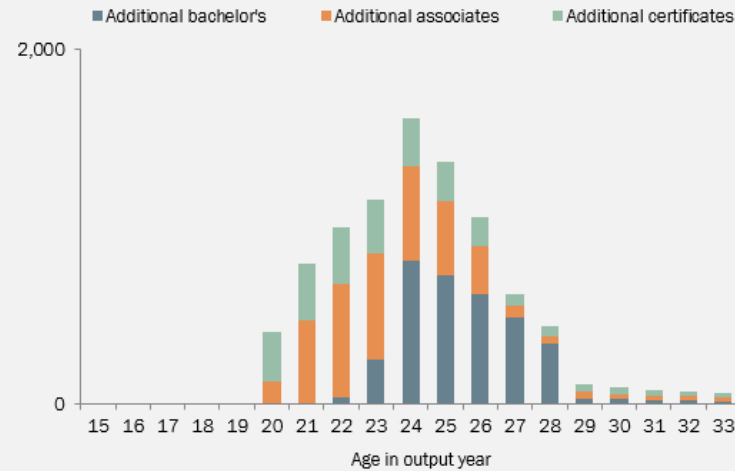


### Total number of students affected by strategies (scenario)

ASCENT Other CE SAI DWR

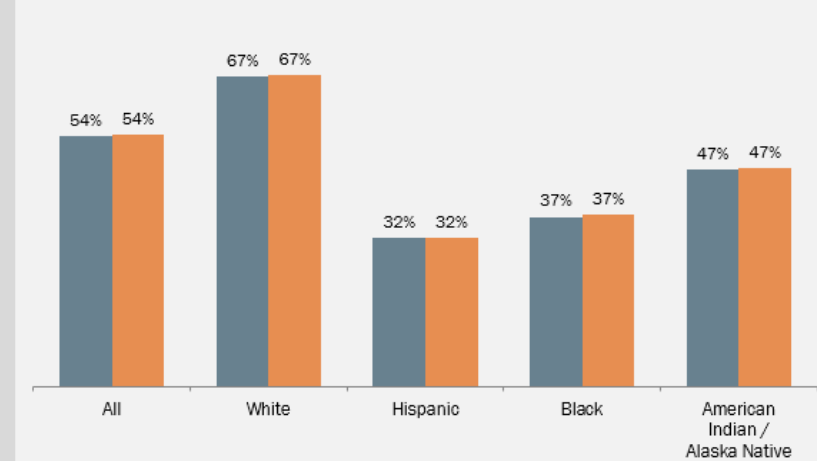


### Additional individuals with an attainment (above the baseline), by age in 2025



### Postsecondary attainment by race/ethnicity, ages 25-34, 2025

Baseline Scenario





# Q & A

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