



Hispanic-Serving Community College Baccalaureate Institutions

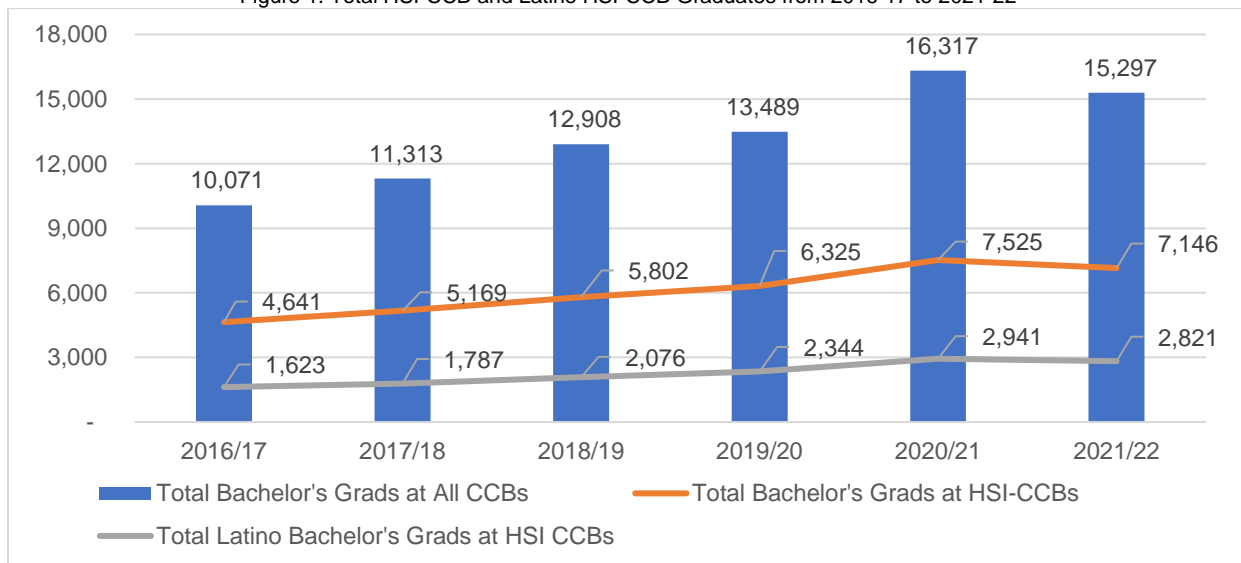
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Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSI) are growing across the United States, reaching 600 public and not-for-profit colleges and universities in the 2021-22 academic year. Concurrently, community colleges conferring bachelor's degrees are increasing, with two-thirds of these colleges recognized as HSIs.

In the U.S., 600 higher education institutions are formally recognized as Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) using the federal definition.¹ Adding 412 emerging HSIs (eHSIs)² to the overall count, the U.S. has 1,012 public and not-for-profit HSIs as of 2021-22. These data from [Excelencia in Education](#) reveal HSIs and eHSIs account for 63 percent of all Latine undergraduate FTE enrollment in the country. Moreover, a higher percentage of community colleges are identified as HSIs than public four-year universities, at 39 percent versus 30 percent, respectively.

By cross-walking data from a national [study](#) tracking the growth of community college baccalaureate (CCB) degrees with data from Excelencia in Education, we found that, of the 187 CCB-conferring institutions in 2021-22, 87 are HSIs and 38 are eHSIs, making up two-thirds of all CCB colleges. The total number of bachelor's degrees awarded by HSI-CCB colleges increased over the six years studied in the report, starting at 4,641 in 2016-17 and increasing to 7,525 in 2020-21, before declining to 7,148 in 2021-22, possibly linked to COVID-19. Of those totals, bachelor's degrees awarded specifically to Latines grew by 4 percent over the six years, from 1,623 in 2016-17 to 2,941 in 2020-21, followed by a similar dip in 2021-22.

Figure 1. Total HSI-CCB and Latine HSI-CCB Graduates from 2016-17 to 2021-22



Source: Computations on HSI-CCB colleges generated using the [CCBA national inventory](#) and the *Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) Factbook: 2022-2023* by Excelencia in Education (2024).

¹The [definition of HSI](#) in Title V of the Higher Education Act specifies HSIs are public and not-for-profit institution's enrolling undergraduate full-time equivalent (FTE) students of which at least 25 percent are Hispanic.

² The [Excelencia in Education](#) emerging HSI (eHSI) designation recognizes public or not-for-profit degree-granting higher education institutions having 15-24.9 percent Latine undergraduate FTE enrollment.

Growth in HSI-CCB Colleges

Five HSI-CCB colleges are among the top 10 largest of any HSIs in the country, with a combined enrollment of about 127,000 Latine students (Table 1). Three of these colleges are located in Texas and one each in California and Florida, with Latine enrollment ranging from of 33,658 at Miami Dade College in Florida to 19,241 at Bakersfield College in Texas.

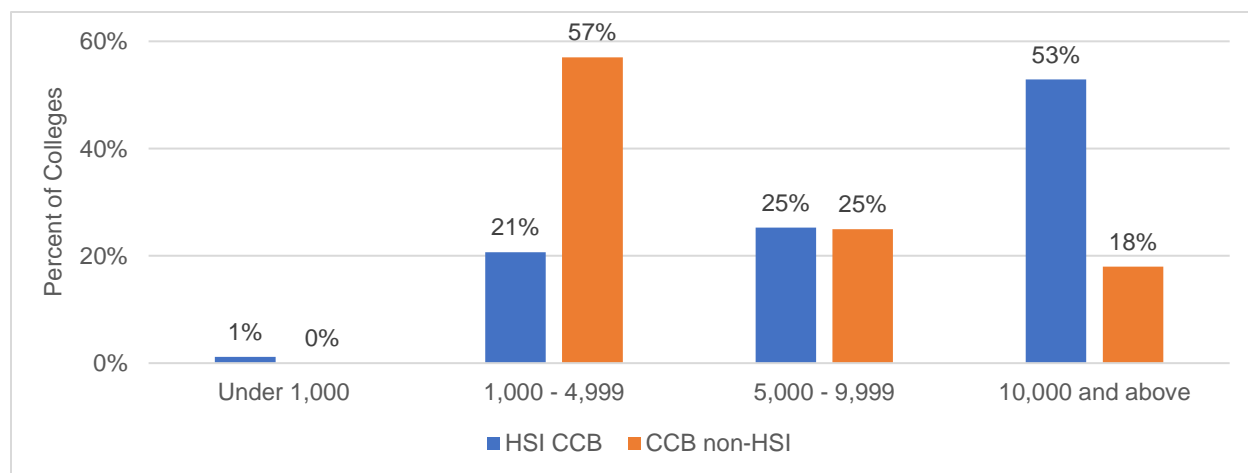
Table 1. Five HSI-CCB Colleges in the Top Ten Largest HSIs in the United States

HSI-CCB College	Total Enrollment	Latine Enrollment	Percent Latine
Miami Dade College, FL	47,245	33,658	71%
Lone Star College District, TX	68,415	28,246	41%
South Texas College, TX	27,894	26,627	95%
San Jacinto College, TX	30,593	19,408	63%
Bakersfield College, CA	26,873	19,241	72%

Source: Table extracted from *Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) Factbook: 2022-2023* by Excelencia in Education (2024), p. 8.

HSI-CCB colleges are over-represented in cities and larger metropolitan areas relative to non-HSI CCB colleges, as evident in data on institutional enrollment. HSI-CCBs also have higher enrollment overall. Fifty-three percent of HSI-CCB colleges have enrollments of 10,000 students or higher, compared to non-HSI CCBs at 18 percent (Figure 2). The distribution of non-HSI CCB colleges is skewed toward smaller institutions, with 57 percent of non-HSI CCB institutions enrolling 1,000 to 4,999 students. As the Latine population continues to [grow](#) in the U.S., it will be important to continue studying enrollment and baccalaureate attainment for these students.

Figure 2. Distribution of HSI-CCB and Non-HSI CCB Colleges in the U.S. in 2021-22



Source: Computations on HSI-CCB colleges generated using the CCBA national inventory and the *Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) Factbook: 2022-2023* by Excelencia in Education (2024).

A *Data Points* brief with more research of Latine CCB graduates can be found [here](#). A *Data Points* brief tracking all CCB graduates in the United States is available at <https://www.accbd.org/category/ccb-data>.

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