

NUMBER OF FULL-TIME ENROLLEES BY TYPE OF DEGREE GRANTING INSTITUTION IN BERKSHIRE (2000-2010)

Four-year institutions account for most of the full-time enrollment in higher education institutions in Berkshire (75.0 percent in 2010). Enrollment at such institutions declined slightly between 2000 and 2005, before growing at an annual rate of 2.5 percent through the end of the decade. Enrollment at two-year institutions also did not grow until later in the decade and were actually at the same level in 2008 as they were in 2000. However, from 2008 to 2010, full-time enrollment at two-year institutions increased at an annual rate of 8.3 percent. Enrollment at less-than-two-year institutions was more volatile over the course of the decade, starting out with nearly 150 full-time enrollments in 2000, then dropping to 31 in 2001, and ending the decade with 235 full-time enrollees. In recent years, enrollment at such institutions has jumped, growing at an annual rate of 31.6 percent between 2007 and 2010.

Source: National Center for Education Statistics, Integrated Post Secondary Education Data System.

Note: In the above stacked-area chart, the different areas represent the number of enrollees by institution type. For example, enrollment in less-than-two-year Institutions was 235 in 2010, compared with more than 3,900 at four-year institutions that year. All three areas combined represent the total number of enrollees in post-secondary educational institutions in Berkshire, of which there were more than 5,250 in 2010. The areas are stacked in order of size in 2010, with enrollment at four-year institutions, the largest enrollment group, on the bottom and enrollment at less-than-two-year institutions, the smallest group, at the top.

