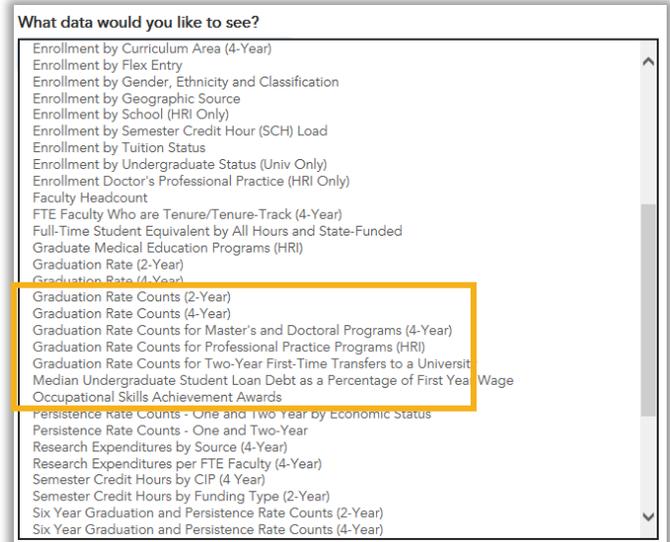


1. Graduation Rates (July 2017)

New graduation rate tables are now available in the *Interactive* portal within the Texas Higher Education Accountability System. The data tables *Graduation Rate (2-Year)* and *Graduation Rate (4-Year)* provide graduation rates as percentages, and the tables *Graduation Rate Counts (2-Year)* and *Graduation Rate Counts (4-Year)* provide the counts used to calculate these rates. The following guide describes how to access these tables and highlights the two different ways graduation rate data is available.

Select Report Options and View Report

In the *Interactive* portal, select the institution type, institution(s), and data you would like to see. In this example, we are selecting graduation rates. There are several options for graduation rates, as shown in the image on the right.



Please note that the *(2-Year)* and *(4-Year)* designations refer to 2-year and 4-year institutions respectively, not to the time frames of the graduation rates. Make sure you select the table that corresponds to the institution type. For example, there is no data For Texas A&M University in the *Graduation Rates (2-Year)* table.

For this example, we will examine graduation rates at both a 2-year and a 4-year institution.

Graduation Rates (4-Year)

Filter options. For this example, we have selected Public Universities, Angelo State University, all years, ReportType= "4-Year Graduation Rate," and all cohort years. After clicking *View Report*, the following appears.

DimYear	InstTypeList	InstList	ReportTypeDesc	CohortYearDesc	Pct
2014	Public Universities	Angelo State University	4-Year Graduation Rate	2010	0.2519
2015	Public Universities	Angelo State University	4-Year Graduation Rate	2011	0.2938
2016	Public Universities	Angelo State University	4-Year Graduation Rate	2012	0.2377

The report shows the percentage of the 2010 first-time, full-time undergraduate student cohort at Angelo State University who obtained a degree from a Texas public or independent institution by 2014 (within 4 years). This includes students who were found to have obtained a degree from the same university (in this case, Angelo State University) or a different Texas public or independent institution.

Graduation Rates (2-Year)

Filter options. For this example, we have selected Community Colleges, Amarillo College, all years, ReportType = “4-Year Graduation Rate,” and all cohort years. The results are shown below.

DimYear	InstTypeList	InstList	ReportTypeDesc	CohortYearDesc	Pct
2014	Community Colleges	Amarillo College	4-Year Graduation Rate	2010	0.2262
2015	Community Colleges	Amarillo College	4-Year Graduation Rate	2011	0.2525
2016	Community Colleges	Amarillo College	4-Year Graduation Rate	2012	0.2793

The report shows the percentage of the 2010 first-time, full-time undergraduate student cohort at Amarillo College who were found to have received an award from a Texas public or independent institution by 2014 (within 4 years).

Graduation Rate Counts (4-Year)

The underlying counts by which graduation rates are calculated are also available in the Graduation Rate Counts tables. For 4-year institutions, these counts are reported for the following categories: students who graduated from the same institution (in this case, Angelo State University), another Texas institution, or students not found to have obtained a degree at a Texas public or independent institution.

Filter options. For this example, we have selected Public Universities, Angelo State University, Year = 2014, all options for *SameOther*, and the 4-Year Graduation Rate for Cohort Year = 2010. After clicking *View Report*, the following appears.

DimYear	InstTypeList	InstList	SameOtherDesc	ReportTypeDesc	CohortYearDesc	Count
2014	Public Universities	Angelo State University	Not Found	4-Year Graduation Rate	2010	977
2014	Public Universities	Angelo State University	Other	4-Year Graduation Rate	2010	32
2014	Public Universities	Angelo State University	Same	4-Year Graduation Rate	2010	297

The report shows the number of students from the 2010 first-time, full-time undergraduate student cohort at Angelo State University who graduated from a Texas public or independent institution by 2014 (within 4 academic years). For the *SameOtherDesc* column, *Same* includes students who graduated from the same university (in this case, Angelo State University), *Other* shows students who graduated at a different Texas institution, and *Not Found* includes students who were not discovered as having graduated from a Texas public or independent institution. The total number of students in the cohort can be confirmed by adding each of the three counts. Note that all options must be selected in the *SameOther* category to determine the cohort for graduation rate calculations.

In this example, the total cohort included **1,306** students. This information matches the *Graduation Rate: 4-, 5-, and 6-Year* report located on the corresponding web report of the Accountability System (found by clicking on *Public Universities; Completion; Angelo State University*).

For this example, the Angelo State University's 4-year graduation rate for the 2010 cohort is calculated:

$$\frac{(32+297)}{(977+32+297)} = 25.19\%$$

C03U - Graduation Rates

Graduation Rate: 4-, 5-, and 6-Year

First-time, full-time entering degree-seeking students who enrolled in a minimum of 12 SCH their first fall semester who graduated from the same institution or another Texas public or independent institution. Percentage point change is from first to last year displayed.

	2014			2015			2016			Poir Cha
	Entering Fall Cohort	Count	Percent	Entering Fall Cohort	Count	Percent	Entering Fall Cohort	Count	Percent	
4-Year Graduation Rate	2010	1,306	25.19 %	2011	1,324	29.38 %	2012	1,363	23.77 %	-1
* Same			22.74 %			26.21 %			20.40 %	-2
* Other			2.45 %			3.17 %			3.37 %	0.

Graduation Rate Counts (2-Year)

For 2-year institutions, graduation rate counts are reported for the following categories: associates, baccalaureate or above, certificate, or no award from a Texas public or independent institution.

Filter options. For this example, we have selected Community Colleges, Amarillo College, Year = 2014, ReportType = "4-Year Graduation Rate," Cohort Year = 2010 and all options for CTCGrads. This will show all award types for Amarillo College for the 2010 cohort who graduated by 2014. The results are shown below.

DimYear	InstTypeList	InstList	ReportTypeDesc	CohortYearDesc	CTCGradDesc	Count
2014	Community Colleges	Amarillo College	4-Year Graduation Rate	2010	Associates	171
2014	Community Colleges	Amarillo College	4-Year Graduation Rate	2010	Baccalaureate or Above	29
2014	Community Colleges	Amarillo College	4-Year Graduation Rate	2010	Certificate	40
2014	Community Colleges	Amarillo College	4-Year Graduation Rate	2010	No Award	821

The total cohort population can be calculated by adding each degree type, plus the *No Award* category. The *No Award* category includes all students in the cohort who were not found to have an award from a Texas public or independent institution by 2014. Note that all options must be selected in the *CTCGrads* category to determine the cohort for graduation rate calculations.

C03C - Graduation Rates

Graduation Rate: 3-, 4-, and 6-Year

First-time, full-time entering degree-seeking students who enrolled in a minimum of 12 SCH their first fall semester who graduated from the same institution or another Texas public or independent institution. Percentage point change is from first to last year displayed.

	2014			2015		
	Entering Fall Cohort	Count	Percent	Entering Fall Cohort	Count	Perce
4-Year Graduation Rate	2010	1,061	22.62 %	2011	915	25.25 %
* Baccalaureate or Above			2.73 %			3.28 %
* Associates			16.12 %			17.45 %
* Certificate			3.77 %			4.72 %

The 2010 first-time, full-time undergraduate student cohort at Amarillo College included **1,061** students. This matches the *Graduation Rate: 3-, 4-, and 6-Year* report located on the web report area of the Accountability System (found by clicking on *Community Colleges; Completion; Amarillo College*).

For this example, the Amarillo College's 4-year graduation rate for the 2010 cohort is calculated:

$$\frac{(171+29+40)}{(171+29+40+821)} = 22.62\%$$