

SECTION E

STUDENT OUTCOMES – GRADUATION, RETENTION AND TRANSFER

1. What percentage of full-time freshmen graduate or transfer within 3 years?

The figures below reflect **3-year** graduation and transfer rates for first-time, full-time matriculated students. The transfer rates include National Student Clearinghouse data on transfers to most baccalaureate-granting institutions. The reported transfer rates refer only to those students who *did not* graduate within 150% of time to degree completion. More specifically, if a student graduated within three years and then transferred to another institution, (s)he would be identified only in the graduation rate and not the transfer rate. The data below have been reported on the annual Federal Graduation Rate Survey (GRS). On the Graduation Rate Survey, students have until the end of the Summer of their 3rd year to either graduate or transfer to another institution (i.e., members of the Fall 2005 cohort had until the end of Summer 2008 to graduate or transfer).

1997 – 2005 Entering Cohorts:

<i>Entering Cohort</i>	<i>Total in Cohort</i>	<i>Graduates within 3 years</i>	<i>Graduation Rate</i>	<i>Transfers (non graduates)</i>	<i>Transfer Rate*</i>	<i>Combined Graduates + Transfers</i>	<i>Combined Graduation + Transfer Rate</i>
1997	1,525	229	15.0%	333	21.8%	562	36.9%
1998	1,712	276	16.1%	324	18.9%	600	35.0%
1999	1,920	343	17.9%	376	19.6%	719	37.4%
2000	1,913	342	17.9%	351	18.3%	693	36.2%
2001	2,031	380	18.7%	395	19.4%	775	38.2%
2002	2,128	400	18.8%	363	17.1%	763	35.9%
2003	2,327	402	17.3%	460	19.8%	862	37.0%
2004	2,522	424	16.8%	501	19.9%	925	36.7%
2005	2,667	536	20.1%	542	20.3%	1,078	40.4%

2. What are Brookdale's two- and three- year combined success rates by ethnic group for the Fall 2005 entering cohort of first-time, full-time freshman?

<i>Ethnic Group</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Success After Two Years</i>		<i>Success After Three Years</i>	
		<i>N</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>%</i>
White	2006	305	15.2	884	44.1
Black	255	15	5.9	57	22.4
Hispanic	223	19	8.5	66	29.6
Asian	92	20	21.7	41	44.6
Alien	13	1	7.7	3	23.1
Other*	78	3	3.8	27	34.6
Total	2667	363	13.6	1078	40.4

*Other includes American Indian and Unknowns

3. What are the two- and three- year combined success rates by income category for the Fall 2005 entering cohort of first-time, full-time freshman?

<i>Income Category</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Success After Two Years</i>		<i>Success After Three Years</i>	
		<i>N</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>%</i>
Low Income*	379	34	9.0	99	26.1
Not Low Income	1073	185	17.2	511	47.6
Unknown	1215	144	11.9	468	38.5
Total	2667	363	13.6	1078	40.4

*Low Income is defined as a student with a NJ Eligibility Index between 1 and 2,499.

4. What are Brookdale's two- and three- year graduation rates by ethnic group for the Fall 2005 entering cohort of first-time, full-time freshman?

<i>Ethnic Group</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Graduate After Two Years</i>		<i>Graduate After Three Years</i>	
		<i>N</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>%</i>
White	2006	191	9.5	450	22.4
Black	255	10	3.9	19	7.5
Hispanic	223	12	5.4	34	15.2
Asian	92	7	7.6	16	17.4
Alien	13	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other*	78	2	2.6	17	21.8
Total	2667	222	8.3	536	20.1

*Other includes American Indian and Unknowns

5. What are the two- and three- year graduation rates by income category for the Fall 2005 entering cohort of first-time, full-time freshman?

<i>Income Category</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Graduate After Two Years</i>		<i>Graduate After Three Years</i>	
		<i>N</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>%</i>
Low Income*	379	15	4.0	42	11.1
Not Low Income	1073	113	10.5	270	25.2
Unknown	1215	94	7.7	224	18.4
Total	2667	222	8.3	536	20.1

*Low Income is defined as a student with a NJ Eligibility Index between 1 and 2,499.

6. What is the three-year transfer rate of Fall 2005 first-time, full-time students to New Jersey Senior Public Institutions? What is the overall three-year transfer rate?

- Of the 2,667 entering students in the Fall 2005 cohort, 542 (501 or **20.3%**) transferred to another institution. Three-hundred and ninety-one members of the cohort (**14.7%**) transferred to one of New Jersey's senior public institutions. These transfer rates do not include students who graduated from Brookdale prior to transferring.

7. What is the third-semester (Fall to Fall) retention rate for first-time, full-time students, by ethnicity?

<i>Fall 2007 Cohort</i>		<i>Number and Percent Retained in Third Semester (Fall 2008)</i>	
<i>Ethnic Group</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>%</i>
White	2,220	1,604	72.3
Black	241	131	54.4
Hispanic	292	195	66.8
Asian	113	93	82.3
American Indian	8	2	25.0
Alien	16	8	50.0
Unknown	66	44	66.7
Total	2,956	2,077	70.3

8. Do third-semester retention rates vary as a function of income level?

<i>Fall 2007 Cohort</i>		<i>Number and Percent Retained in Third Semester (Fall 2008)</i>	
<i>Income Level</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>%</i>
Low Income	422	285	67.5
Not Low Income	1,192	873	73.2
Unknown	1,342	919	68.5
Total	2,956	2,077	70.3