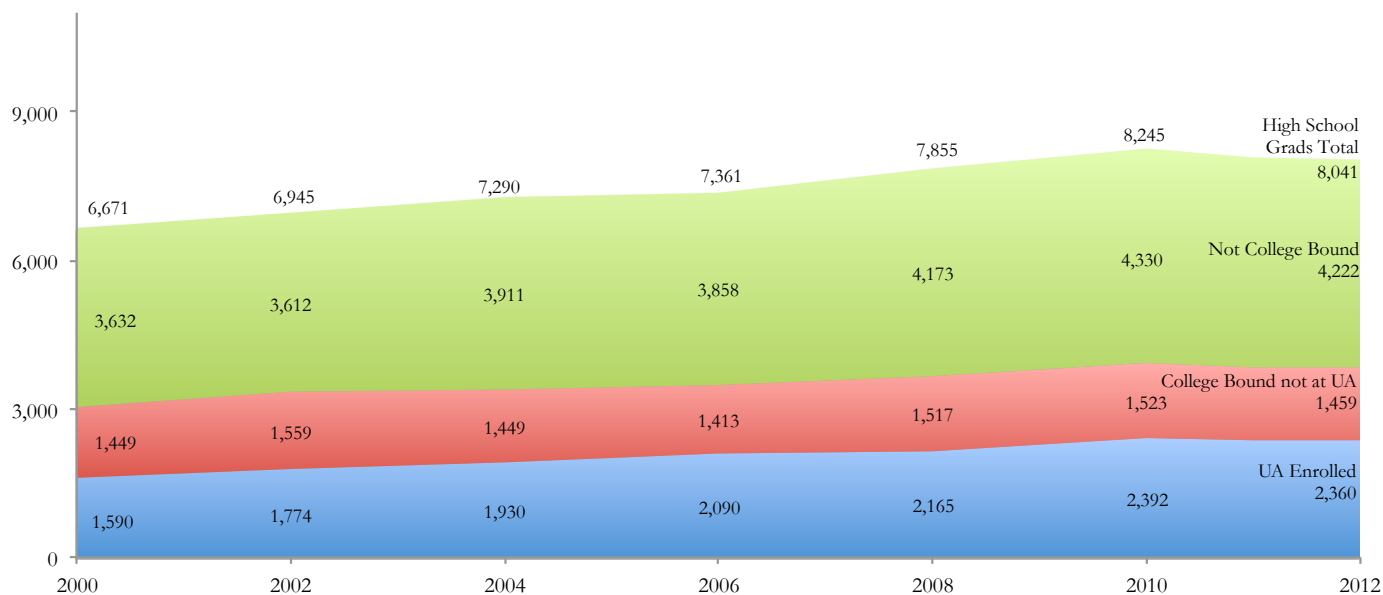


Post-Secondary Education Attendance of Recent Alaska High School Graduates

The following graph summarizes college attendance patterns of Alaska high school students between years 2000 and 2012. It focuses on the number of students who graduate from a public high school in Alaska each year, traces how many of these graduates intend to pursue post-secondary education and become College Bound students and how many enroll at University of Alaska.

- The number of graduates from Alaska public high schools peaked in 2010 at 8,245 graduates. More than 60 percent of Alaska high school graduates were college bound and 29 percent enrolled at University of Alaska.
- In fall 2011, although the number of high school graduates decreased to 8,064 from the previous year, the proportion of college bound Alaska high school graduates and those who chose to enroll at University of Alaska continued to rise, to nearly 29 percent and to 62 percent, respectively. The fact that a higher proportion of Alaska high school graduates decided to pursue a college degree and enroll at UA could be attributed to the implementation of Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS), although it is too early to tell for certain. The purpose of the APS program is to increase the number of Alaska high school graduates who are prepared for and go to college.
- In spring 2012, the number Alaska high school graduates decreased to 8,041 and, in fall 2012 opening, the number of such graduates enrolled at UA decreased to 2,360.
- In the last five years, University of Alaska continued to enroll, on average, more than 2,300 recent Alaska high school graduates per year, peaking at 2,392 in fall 2010. Since then, the size of this group has plateaued and started to trend downward.

Distribution of Alaska High School Graduates



(Please see next page for data and sources.)



College Attendance of Alaska High School Graduates

Term	HS Grads	College Bound (CB)	CB as Percent of HS Grads	HS Grads Enrolled at UA	UA Enrolled as Percent of HS Grads	UA Enrolled as Percent of CB
2000	6,671	3,039	45.6%	1,590	23.8%	52.3%
2002	6,945	3,333	48.0%	1,774	25.5%	53.2%
2004	7,290	3,379	46.4%	1,930	26.5%	57.1%
2006	7,361	3,503	47.6%	2,090	28.4%	59.7%
2008	7,855	3,682	46.9%	2,165	27.6%	58.8%
2010	8,245	3,915	47.5%	2,392	29.0%	61.1%
2011	8,064	3,830*	47.5%*	2,371	29.4%	61.9%*
2012	8,041	3,819*	47.5%*	2,360	29.3%	61.8%*
Average 2000--2010	7,395	3,475		1,990		
Percent Change 2000--2010	23.6%	28.8%				
National Average 2000--2010			66.4%			

* Projected figures

Notes and sources:

High School Grads - graduates of high schools in Alaska. The data is from State of Alaska, Department of Education & Early Development (DEED).

College Bound - graduates of high schools in Alaska with the intention of attending college or university. The data is from 'Digest of Education Statistics', National Center for Education Statistics. Projection is due to Student & Enrollment Services, University of Alaska.

UA Enrolled (High School Grads) - high school graduates who are First-Time Freshmen at University of Alaska and who are less than 20 years old on September 1 of the reporting year.

UA Data Supplied by MAUs via UA Information Systems: UA Decision Support Database (DSD) compiled from Banner SI fall closing extracts 2000 - 2012. Compiled by UA Institutional Research & Analysis.