

TCC Institutional Research Brief

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ENROLLMENT SUMMARY: SUMMER TERM 2002

For the third consecutive year, Tidewater Community College had the largest summer term headcount and FTES enrollment in its history. The headcount, 12,127 students, and FTES, 4,417 FTES, both represent a 9% increase over summer 2001. Each campus experienced an increase in FTES: Chesapeake—32%, Norfolk—12%, Portsmouth—7%, and Virginia Beach—6%. Highlights of the summer term are noted below:

- Enrollment in on-line courses increased 81% in FTES and 70% in headcount over summer 2001 and accounted for 50% of the college's growth. Of the 368 additional college FTES for summer 2002, 185 FTES (50%) can be attributed to on-line classes. Numerically, the Chesapeake Campus had the largest increase (+98 FTES) in on-line enrollment, from 86 FTES to 184 FTES, while the Norfolk Campus had the largest percentage increase (193%), from 29 FTES to 85 FTES. The Portsmouth and Virginia Beach campuses increased 46% and 24%, respectively, in the number of FTES generated from on-line courses.
- The number of students enrolled in college transfer programs (AA, AS) continued to grow (12%). Most core general education disciplines experienced an increase in FTES as highlighted by biology (30%), sociology (29%), psychology (22%), history (20%), speech and drama (20%), and geology (52%). College credit English and college credit math both increased 5%. Developmental English decreased 3%, while developmental math increased 11%.
- Full-time enrollment increased 18%, from 573 students in summer 2001 to 675 students in summer 2002. Almost half (48%) of the full-time students were enrolled in a college transfer program, and the majority (53%) were 25 years or older. Most were returning students (67%), female (56%), and minority (53%).
- African-American enrollment increased 11% across the college. Three of the four campuses had significant increases: Chesapeake—30%, Norfolk—15%, and Virginia Beach—15%. In addition, other minority student enrollment increased 14%, most notably at the Chesapeake and Portsmouth campuses, 41% and 22%, respectively.
- Two age groups exhibited a 12% increase: 18 to 21 and 30 to 34 years of age. Additionally, there was a 10% increase in the number of students enrolled between the ages of 22 and 29. The average age for students enrolled in summer 2002 was 30 years.
- Military-related enrollment increased 10% in headcount and 13% in FTES. Approximately 14% of the increase was attributed to the Naval Homeport Program, a contract training program with the Navy.
- Workforce Development provided credit and noncredit classes to a total of 3,447 students. College credit coursework served 2,160 credit students and generated 778 FTES. The Naval Homeport Program, one of the college's largest contract programs, accounted for 411 students, a 7% increase, and 230 FTES, a 5% increase over summer 2001. Additionally, Workforce Development served 1,287 noncredit students.
- Demographically, summer 2002 enrollment showed significant increases in females (10%), full-time students (18%), African-Americans (11%), other minorities (14%), and returning students (9%). The number of students enrolled in college transfer programs increased 12%, and occupational/technical program enrollment increased 4%.

In summary, the primary growth pockets include students enrolled in college transfer programs, full-time students, online class enrollment, minorities, and students enrolled previously at the college. Additionally, active duty military enrollment increased dramatically, both in contract and non-contract programs. The enrollment record for summer 2002 reflects the college's strategic commitment to college transfer and workforce development.

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TCC SUMMER STUDENT ENROLLMENT

	Summer		Summer 2001			
	2002				Difference	
CATEGORY	NO.	%	NO.	%	NO.	%
Headcount	12127		11149		978	8.8%
FTES	4417		4049		368	9.1%
Avg full-time load Avg part-time load	13.6 5.3		13.9 5			
Full-time Part-time	675 11452	6% 94%	573 10576	5% 95%	102 876	17.8% 8.3%
New	1141	9%	1053	9%	88	8.4%
Returning	9495	78%	8697	78%	798	9.2%
Transfer	1491	13%	1399	13%	92	6.6%
College transfer	5497	45%	4906	44%	591	12.0%
Occupational/technical	3619	30%	3486	31%	133	3.8%
Unclassified	3011	25%	2757	25%	254	9.2%
Male	4902	40%	4557	41%	345	7.6%
Female	7225	60%	6592	59%	633	9.6%
Caucasian	6820	56%	6400	57%	420	6.6%
African-American	3778	31%	3413	31%	365	10.7%
Other	1529	13%	1336	12%	193	14.4%
On campus	10919	90%	10094	91%	825	8.2%
Off campus	1208	10%	1055	9%	153	14.5%
Day	10273	85%	9213	83%	1060	11.5%
Evening	1854	15%	1936	17%	-82	-4.2%
In-state	10262	85%	9458	85%	804	8.5%
Out-of-state	1865	15%	1691	15%	174	10.3%
Military tuition assistance	1968	16%	1784	16%	184	10.3%
17-21 years	2986	25%	2656	24%	330	12%
22-29 years	4079	34%	3709	33%	370	10%
30-34 years	1580	13%	1416	13%	164	12%
35+	3482	29%	3368	30%	114	3%

