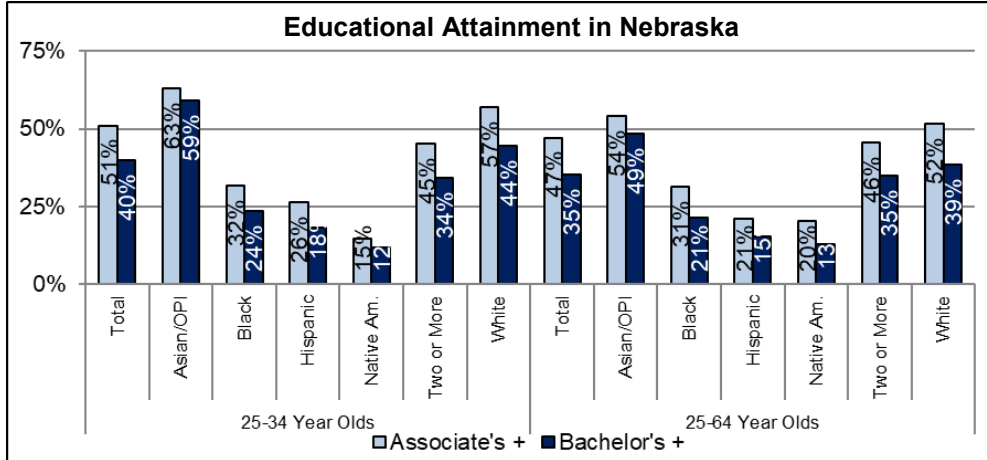


Learning Curve: Nebraska's Rising Need for Postsecondary Education

December 2023

Where We Are:



Source: American Community Survey (2017-2021).

National Rank

Associate's+

25-34 _____ **12th**

25-64 _____ **14th**

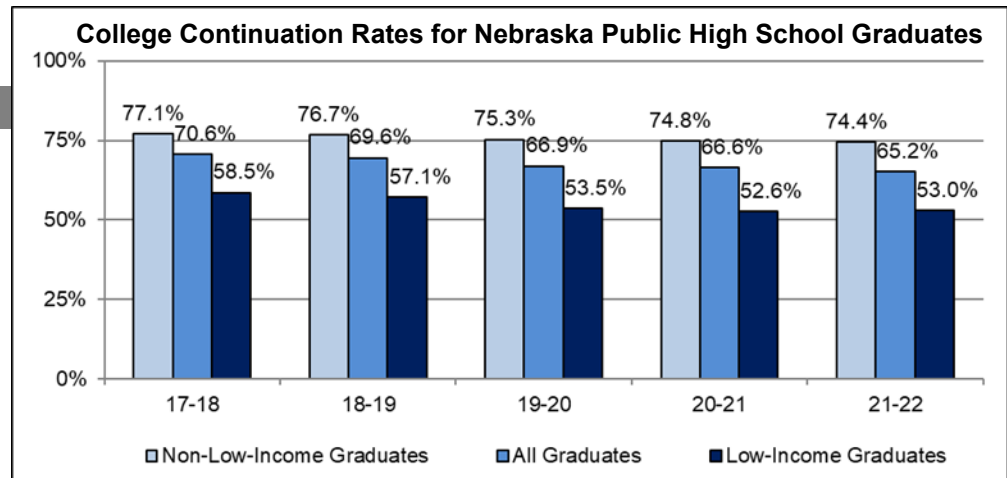
Bachelor's+

25-34 _____ **15th**

25-64 _____ **19th**

11th Nebraska's national rank for college continuation (fall 2020)

Source: NCHEMS's analysis of data from WICHE (projections of high school graduates) and IPEDS (first-time freshmen). Includes public and private high school graduates.

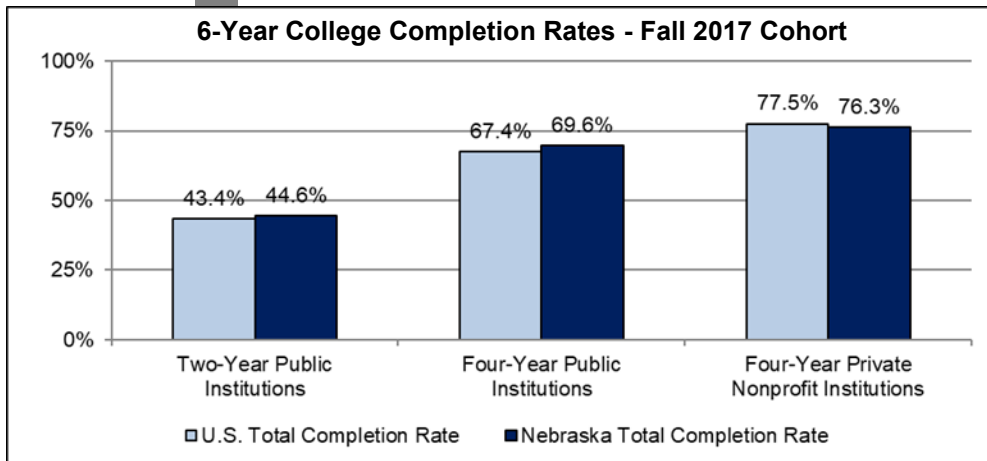


Source: Nebraska Department of Education, National Student Clearinghouse.

National Rank

22nd Completion rate 2-year publics

24th Completion rate 4-year publics



Source: National Student Clearinghouse.

Where We Are:

59% of Nebraskans aged 25 to 34 have a degree, certificate, diploma, or other credential with economic value as of 2021.

Where We Need to Be:

70% Nebraska's LR335 established a goal that at least 70% of 25 to 34 year-old Nebraskans will have a post-secondary credential by 2030.

Source: Lumina Foundation (2023).