

ACE Plus Scholarship

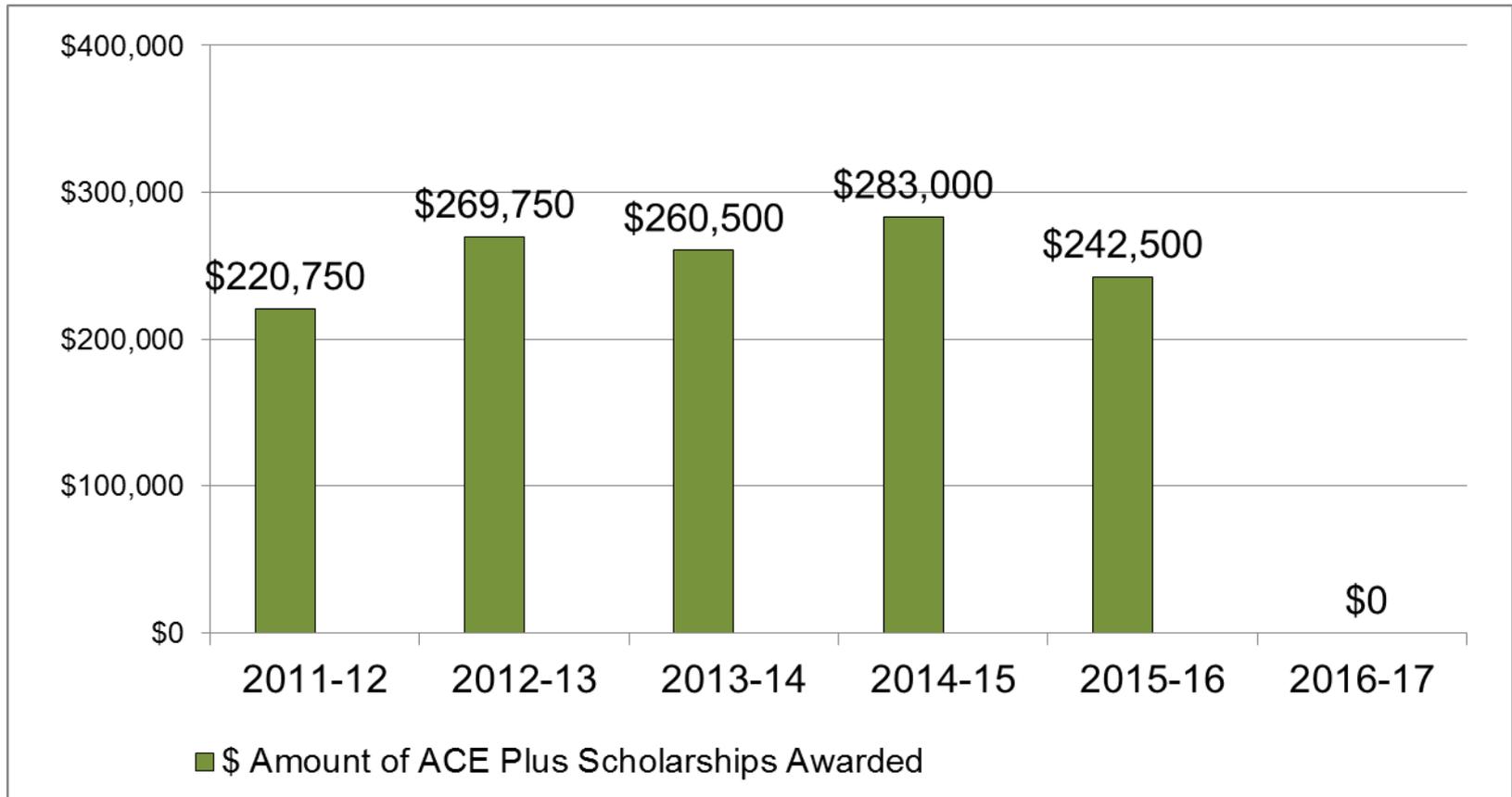
2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014,
2014-2015, 2015-2016



Scholarship Overview

- AY2011-12 was the first year operating the scholarship program
- Awards this year were made beginning in June 2015 for the 2015-2016 academic year, the fifth year of the program
- Solely funded by the federal CACG
 - This was the last year of ACE Plus due to the discontinuation of CACG

CACG Funding of the Program



Awards

For AY2011-2012

- First-year student award = \$500
- Second-year student award = \$1,250

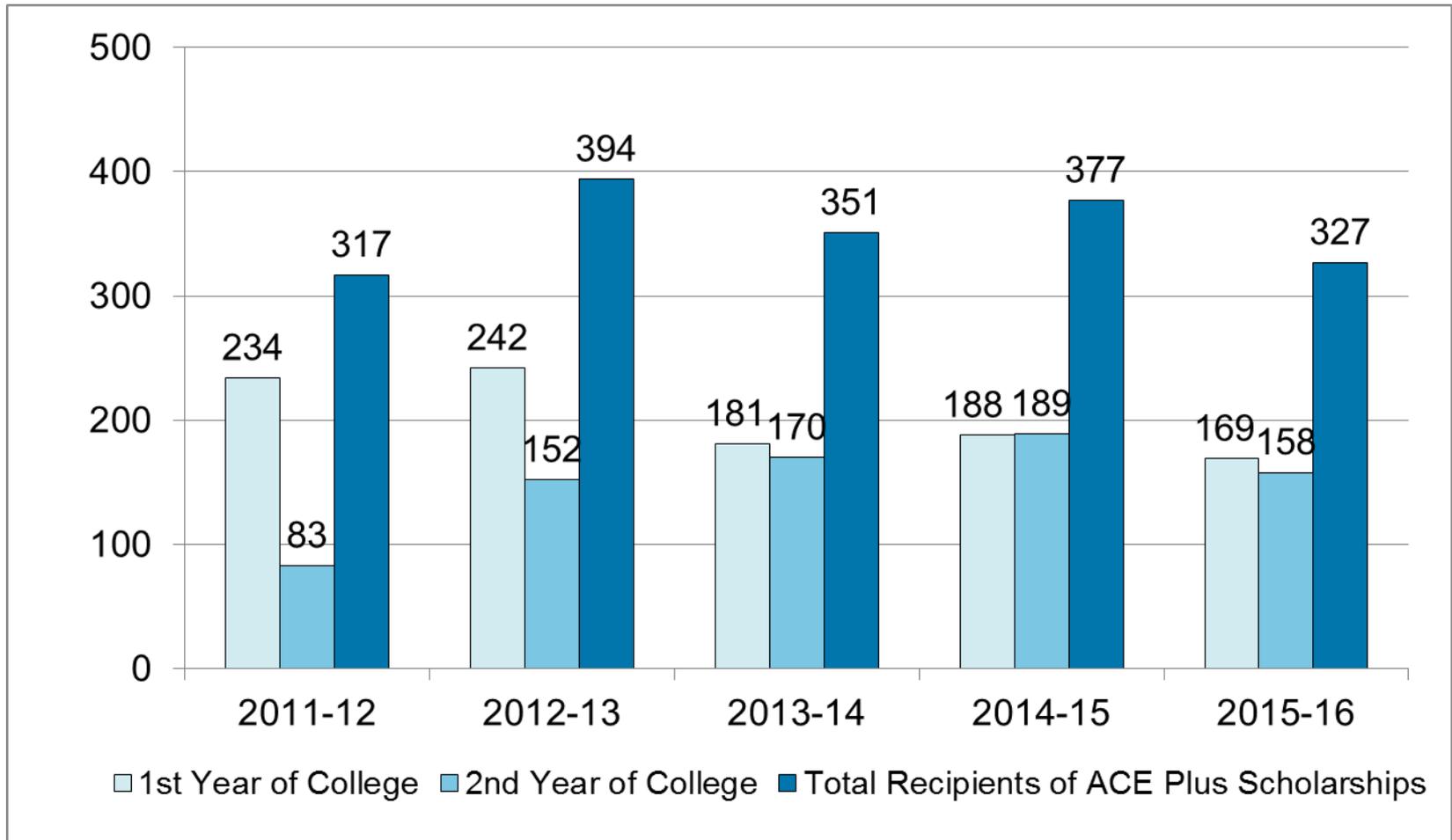
For next four academic years

- First-year student award = \$500
- Second-year student award = \$1,000

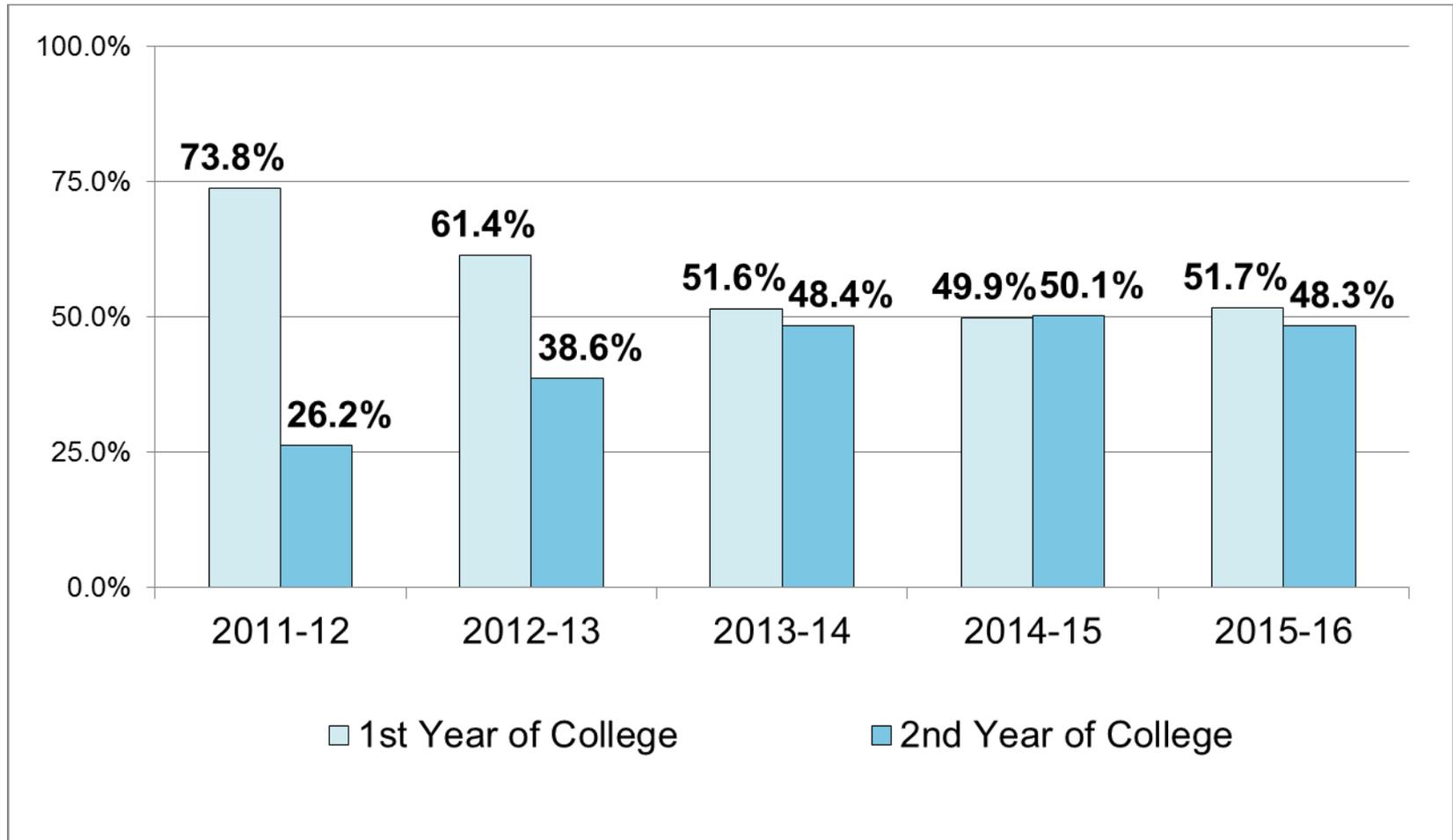
Student Qualifications

- Must take at least one college course while in high school funded by the Access College Early (ACE) program
- Must earn at least a 2.0 GPA in ACE courses
- Must be enrolled full time in college for the full academic year
- To qualify for a second-year award, must earn at least a 2.0 GPA during first year of college

Number of Recipients by Award Type

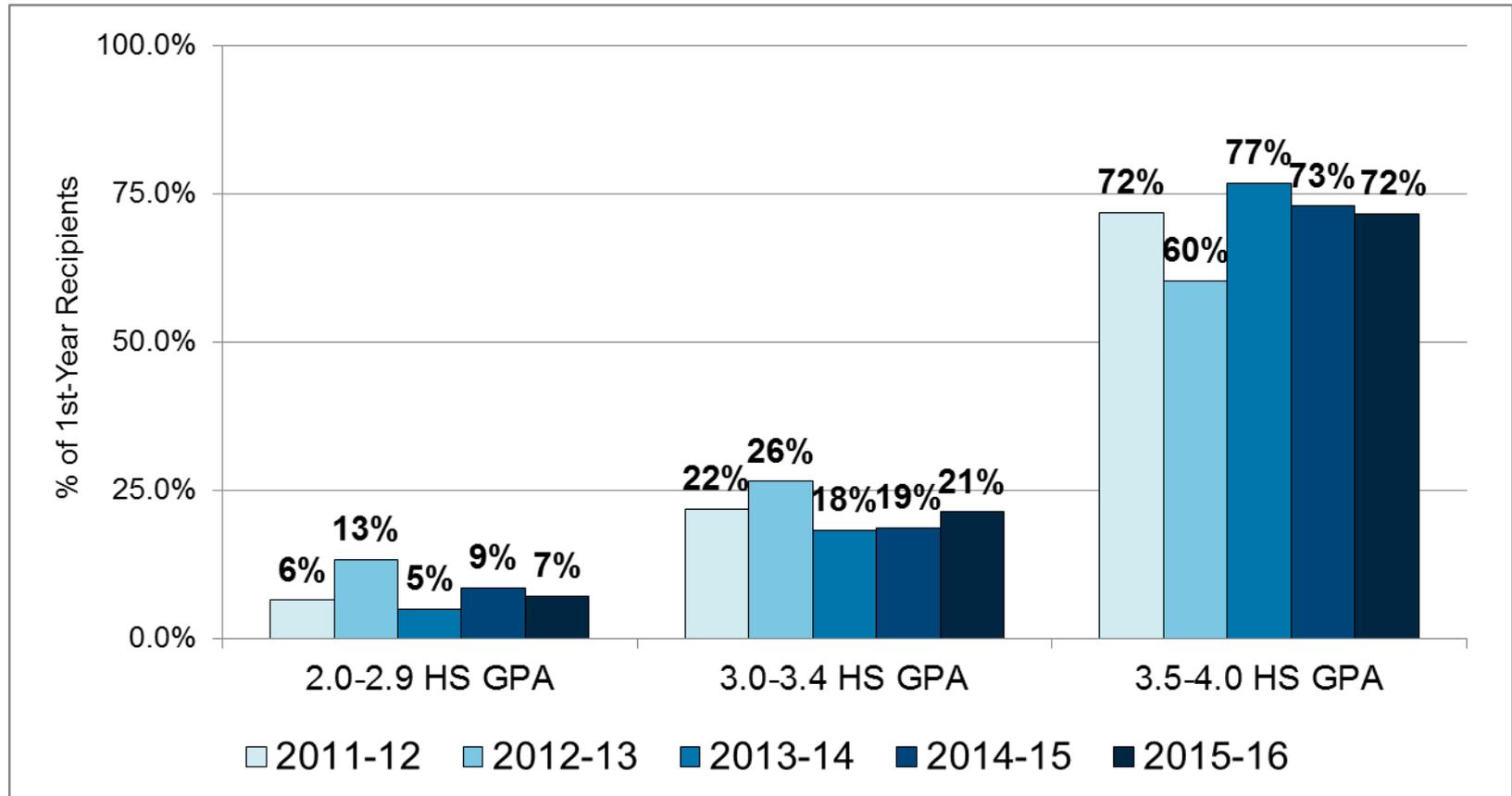


Percentage of Recipients by Award Type



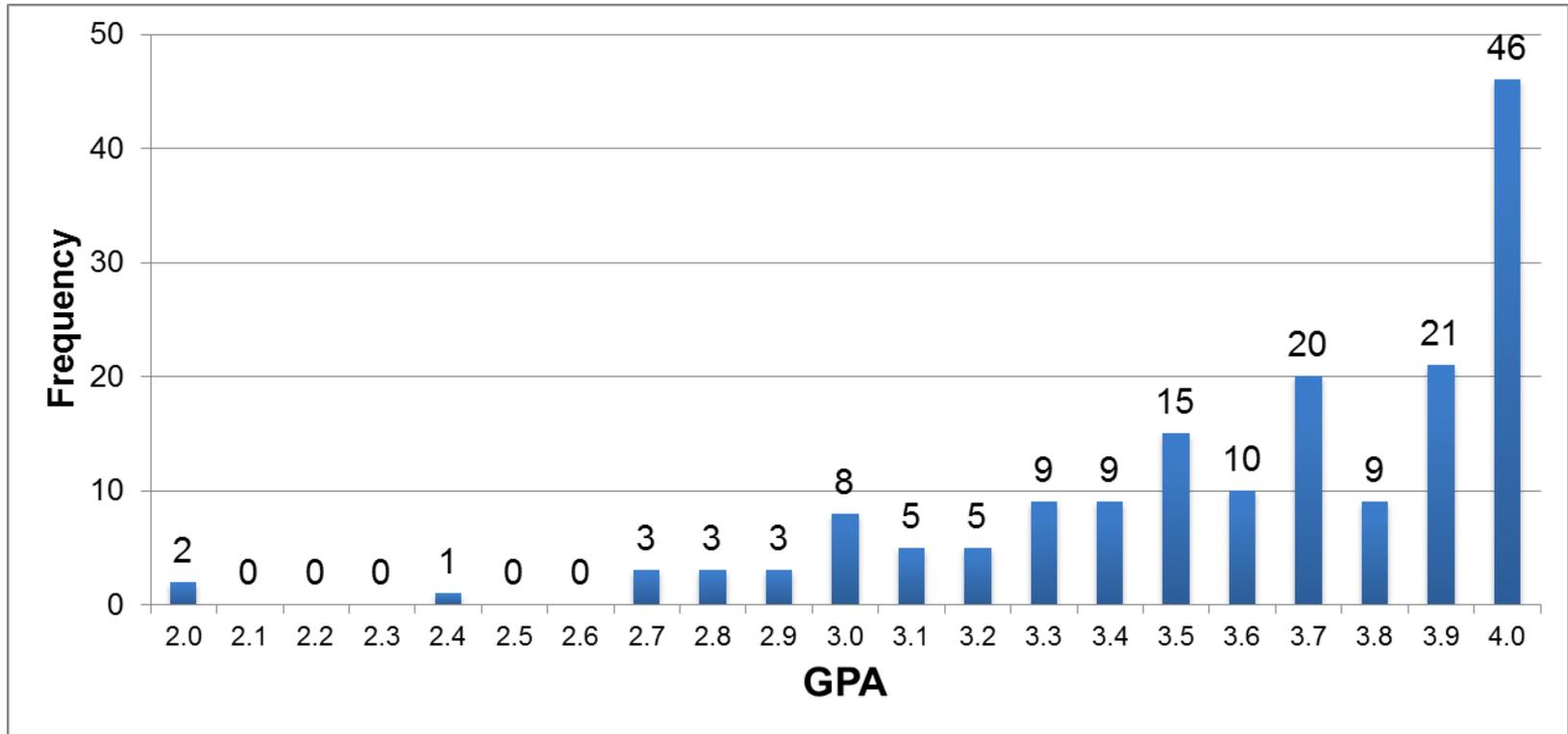
The Academic Success of ACE Plus Scholarship Recipients

Cumulative High School GPA for ACE Plus Recipients Who Received ACE Plus Scholarships for Their First Year of College



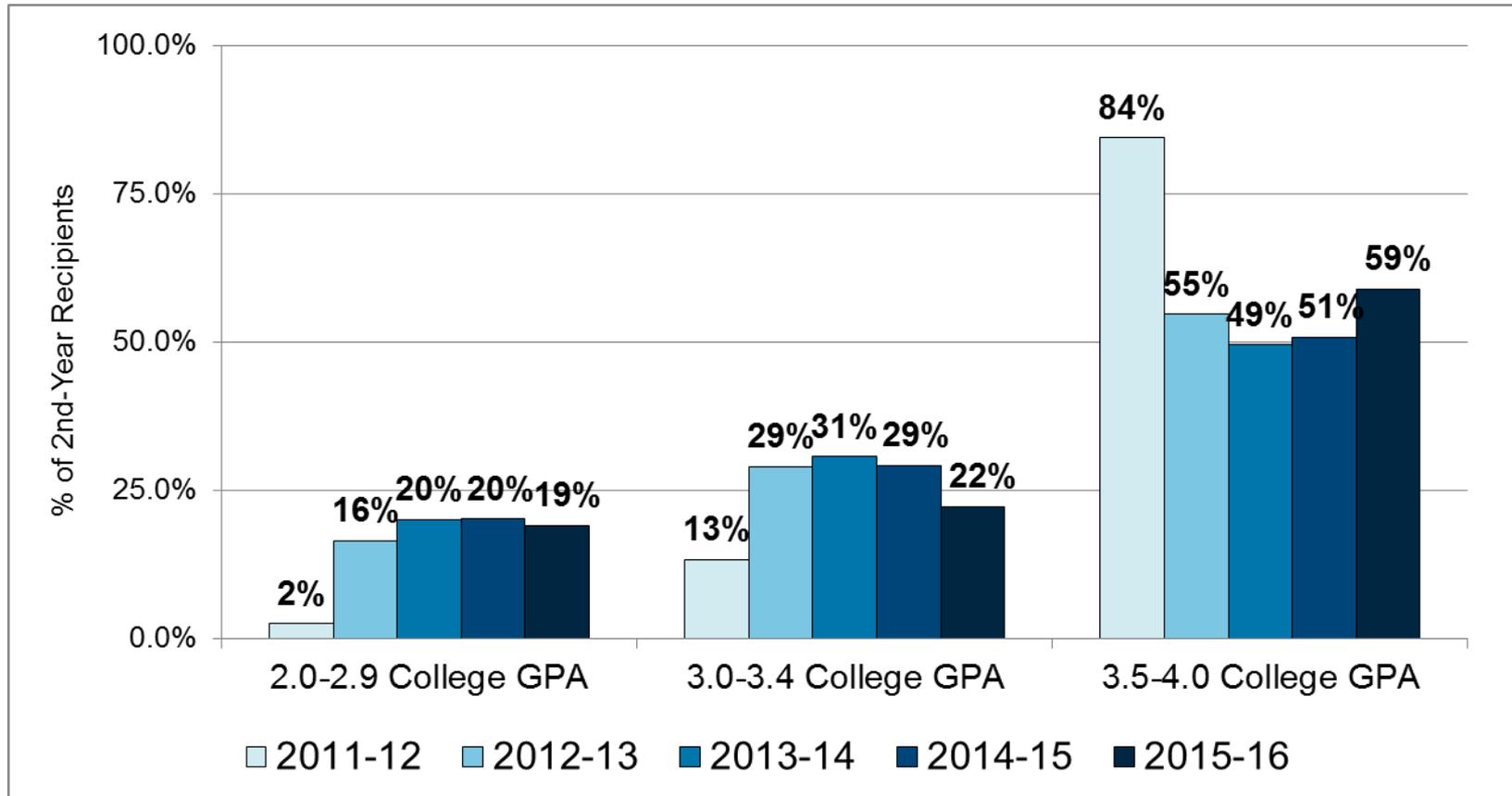
Note. High school GPA is equal to the student's unweighted high school GPA unless the student's transcript only contained a weighted GPA. GPAs greater than 4.0 were rounded to 4.0. For 2011–12, 2012–13, and 2013–14: high school GPA was self-reported by the student at the time of his/her ACE Plus application. For 2014–15 and 2015–16: high school GPA was obtained by Commission staff from the student's unofficial high school transcript.

Cumulative High School GPA for ACE Plus Recipients Who Received ACE Plus Scholarships for Their First Year of College in AY2015-2016



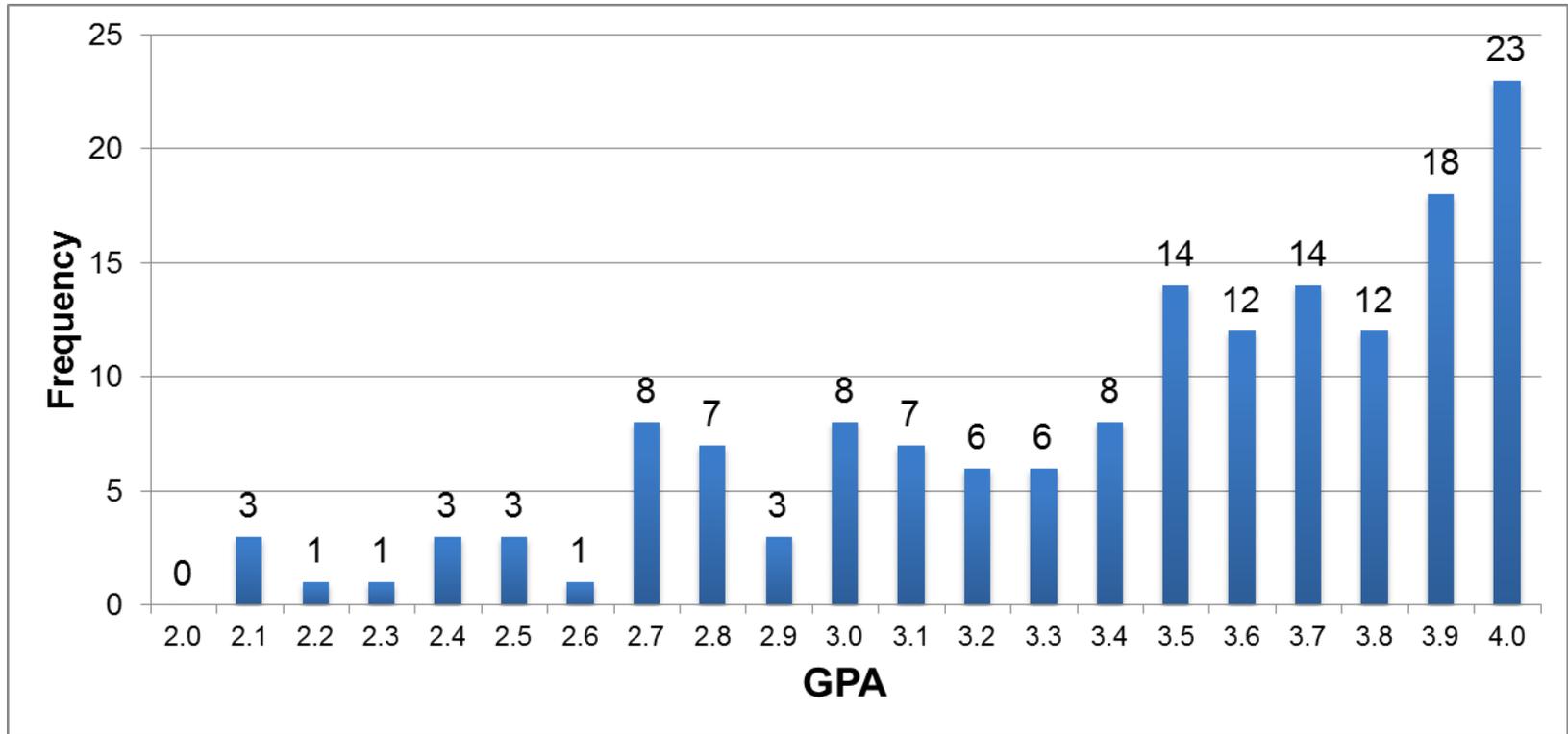
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Freshman Year (College) GPA for ACE Plus Recipients Who Received ACE Plus Scholarships for Their Second Year of College



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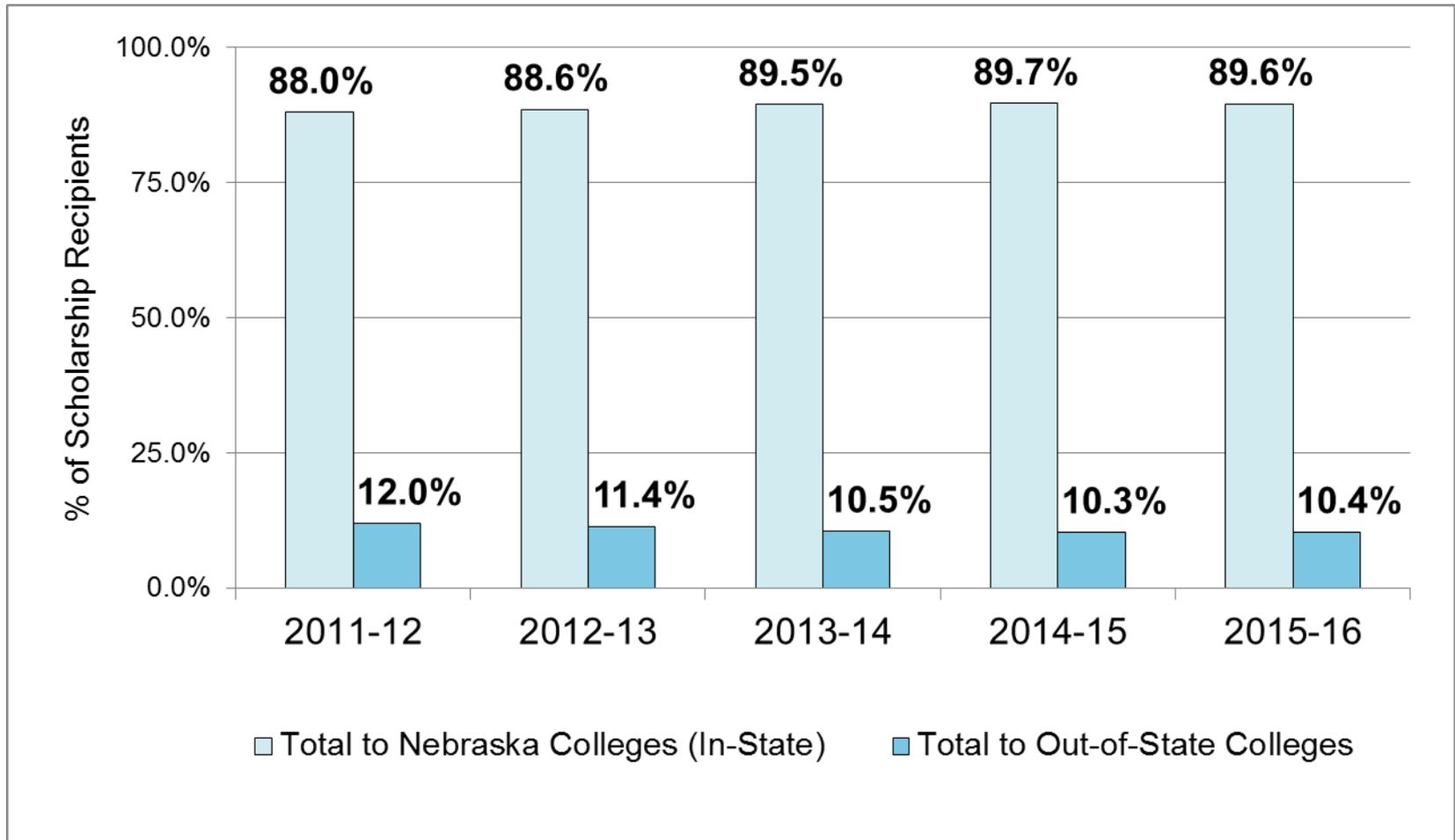
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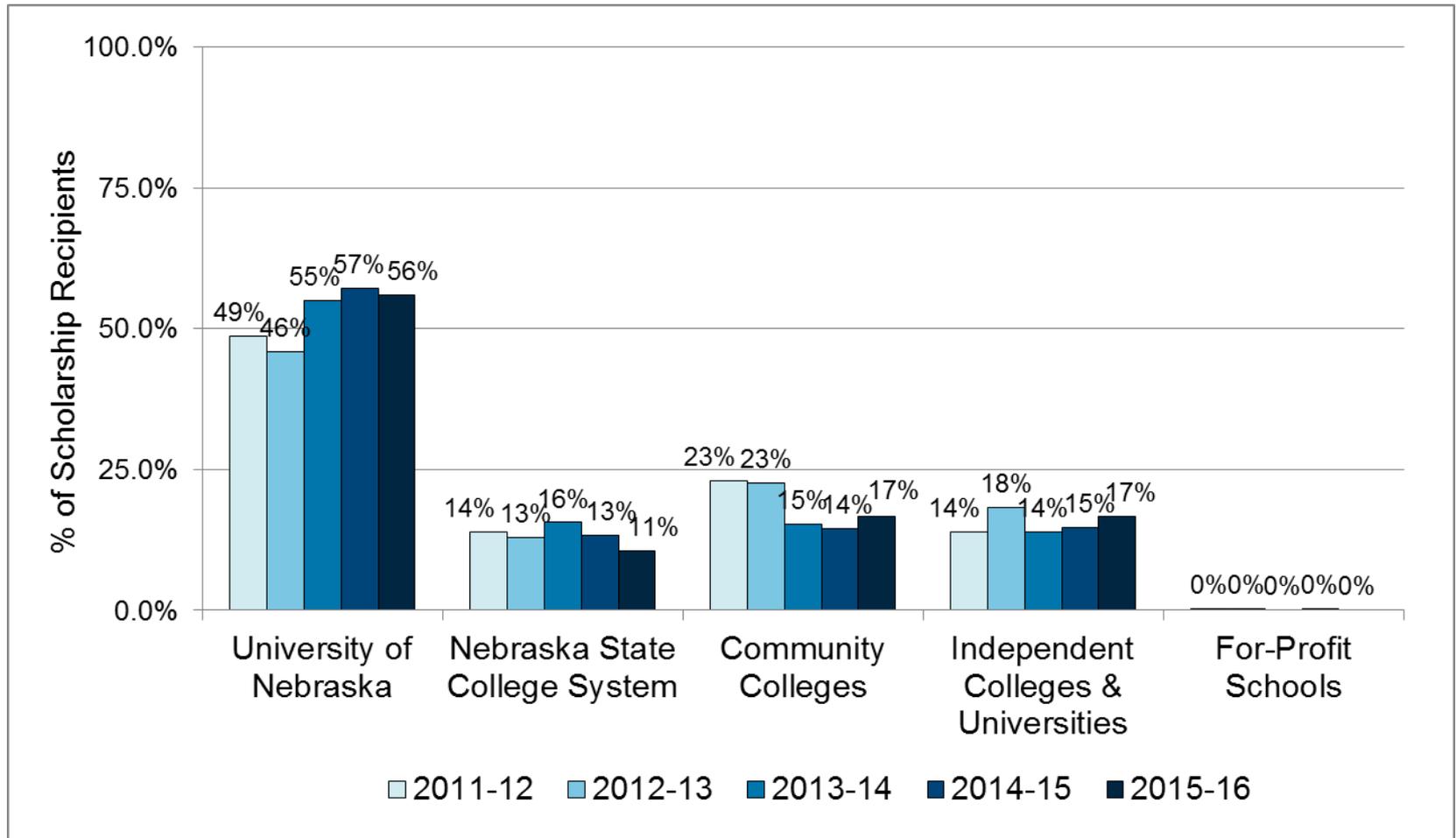
Almost 90% of ACE Plus Scholarship Recipients Go to College in Nebraska

% of ACE Plus Scholarship Recipients Who Attended (or are now attending) Nebraska and Out-of-State Schools



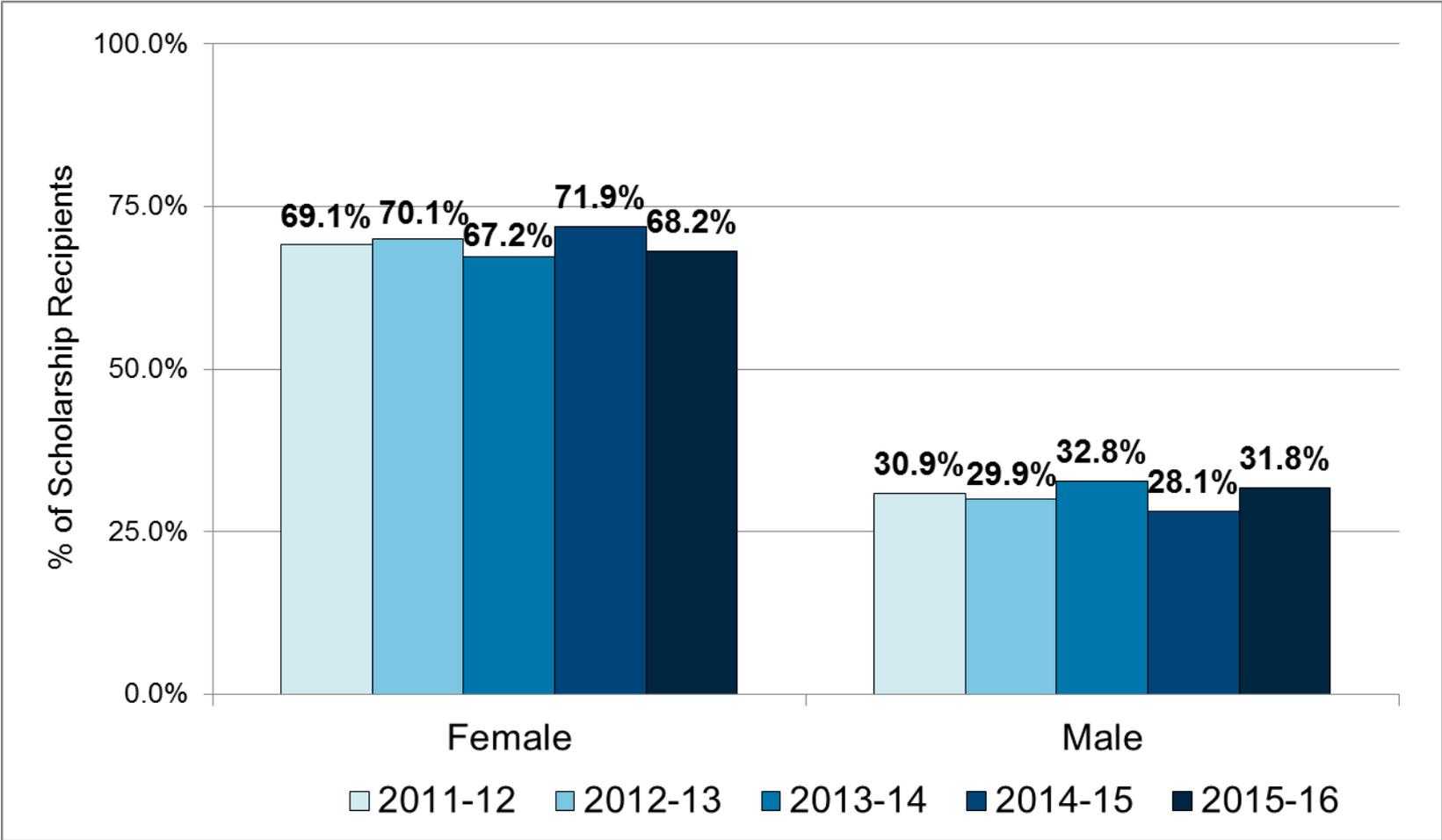
Note. Federal dollars prohibit only offering in-state scholarships.

% of ACE Plus Scholarship Recipients Who Attended (or are now attending) Nebraska Schools by Sector



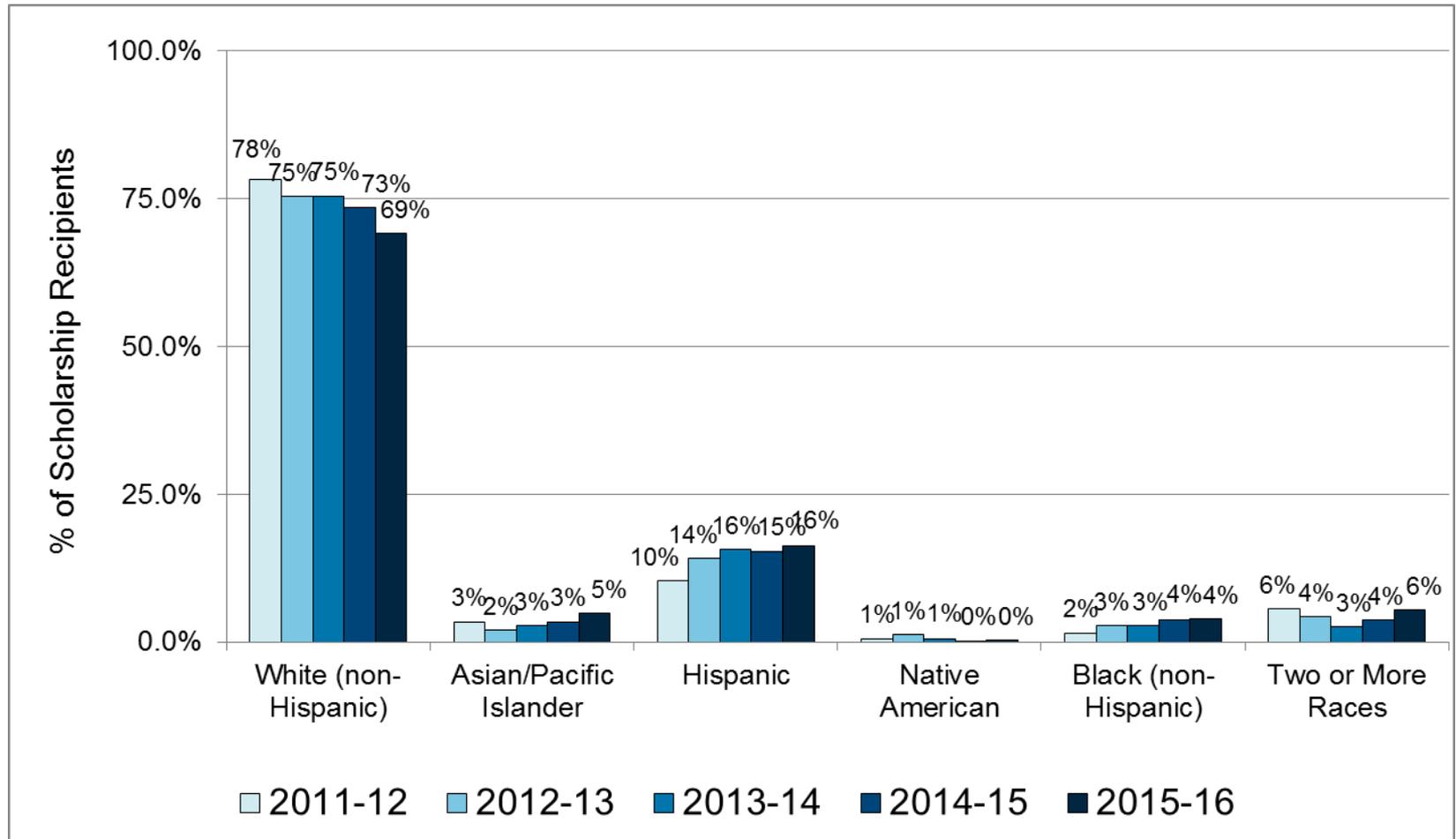
Significantly more ACE Plus Scholarships have been awarded to females than males.

% of ACE Plus Scholarship Recipients by Gender



The majority of all ACE Plus Scholarships have been awarded to white non-Hispanics, but 25.7% of all scholarships have been awarded to minority students (30.9% in AY15-16).

% of ACE Plus Scholarship Recipients by Race/Ethnicity



Total Unmet Financial Need for 2015–16: \$85,500 (120 Awards)



Note. Total unmet financial need was calculated from qualified applications received but not awarded due to federal funding being exhausted for the 2015-2016 academic year.

Snapshot of ACE Plus College Completion & Persistence Rates

- New limited data provides a snapshot of ACE Plus recipients
- High school class of 2010:
 - 81 students in this ACE Plus cohort
 - As of June 30, 2014, 56 or 69% of awardees received a college degree
 - As of June 30, 2014, 13 or 16% of awardees were still enrolled in college
 - 85% of awardees either received an award or are still enrolled in college
- High school class of 2011:
 - 250 students in this ACE Plus cohort
 - As of June 30, 2014, 109 or 44% of awardees received a college degree
 - As of June 30, 2014, 100 or 40% of awardees were still enrolled in college
 - 84% of awardees either received a college degree or are still enrolled in college
- ACE Plus awardees first-year persistence rate
 - Persistence rate is the percentage of students who return to college at any institution for their second year
 - Class of 2010: 94%
 - Class of 2011: 93%
 - Class of 2012: 95%
 - Class of 2013: 98%