



Undergraduate Persistence Rates

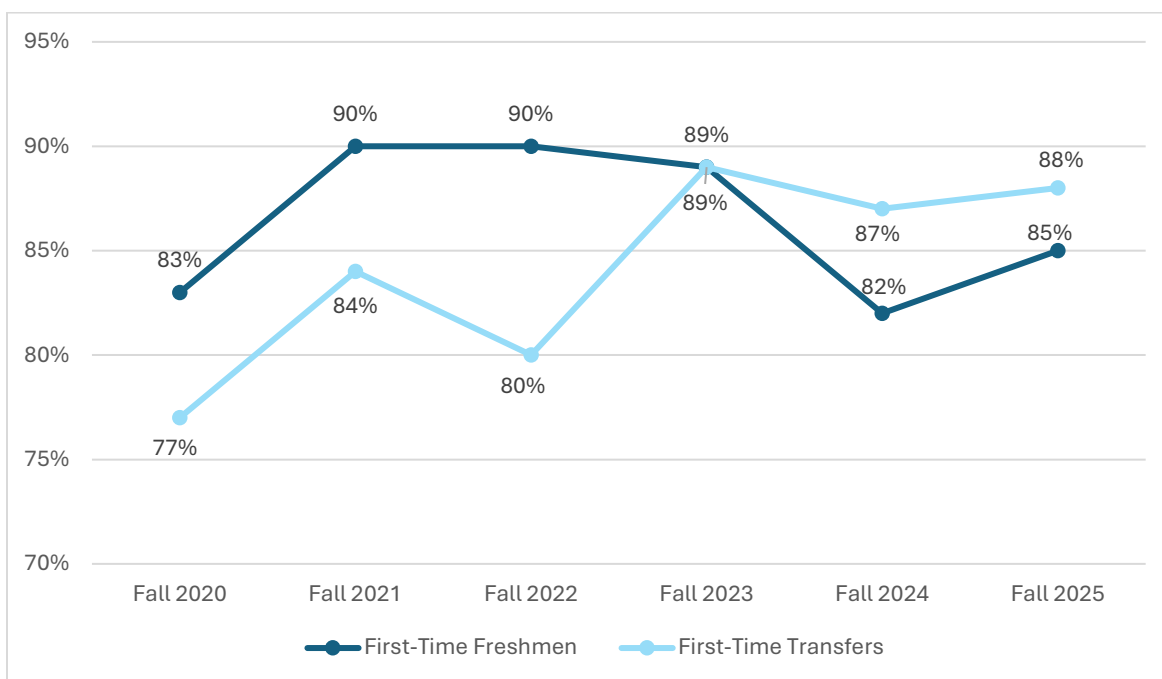
First-Time Freshmen and First-Time Transfer Students

Methodology

Persistence rates represent the percentage of undergraduate students who enroll in at least one course at Dakota State University during the spring semester immediately following their initial fall enrollment at the university. Students who earn a bachelor's degree before the subsequent spring term are also considered persisted.

This report includes first-time, full-time bachelor's degree-seeking freshmen and first-time undergraduate transfer students.

Persistence Rates by Cohort | Fall 2020 – Fall 2025



Cohort	Freshmen (n)	Freshmen Persistence	Transfers (n)	Transfer Persistence
Fall 2020	355	83%	207	77%
Fall 2021	345	90%	183	84%
Fall 2022	354	90%	210	80%
Fall 2023	383	89%	238	89%
Fall 2024	364	82%	266	87%
Fall 2025	372	85%	217	88%

Source: Dakota State University Student Information System. Updated annually by the DSU Office of Institutional Research.