



# Higher Education

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## Background

In 2007, Nevada's educational attainment through high school (83.7 percent) approached the national average (84.5 percent). However, achievement of postsecondary education has not kept pace with the national rate of 27.5 percent. Only 21.8 percent of Nevada's population over the age of 25 had attained a bachelor's degree, making it the lowest among the western states.

## Enrollment and Completion

The enrollment at the institutions of the Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE) has increased since 1990 from a headcount of just over 60,000 to approximately 108,000 in Fall 2007. Although the number of high school graduates has increased by more than 30 percent since the beginning of the decade, the percentage of recent high school graduates enrolling in an NSHE institution directly following high school has fluctuated between 45 percent and 50 percent each year throughout the same period. Further, based on statistics from the *Common Core of Data*, National Center for Education Statistics, only 10 percent of a Nevada class of 100 ninth graders is projected to complete an associate or baccalaureate degree within the expected number of years of enrollment.

## Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship

The number of students qualifying for the Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship peaked in 2004 at 9,086. Since its inception in Fall 2000, utilization of the scholarship has continuously decreased from a high of 77 percent in 2000 to a low of 54 percent in 2008. The number of total scholars in NSHE institutions also peaked at just over 18,000 in Fall 2005.

## Remedial Coursework

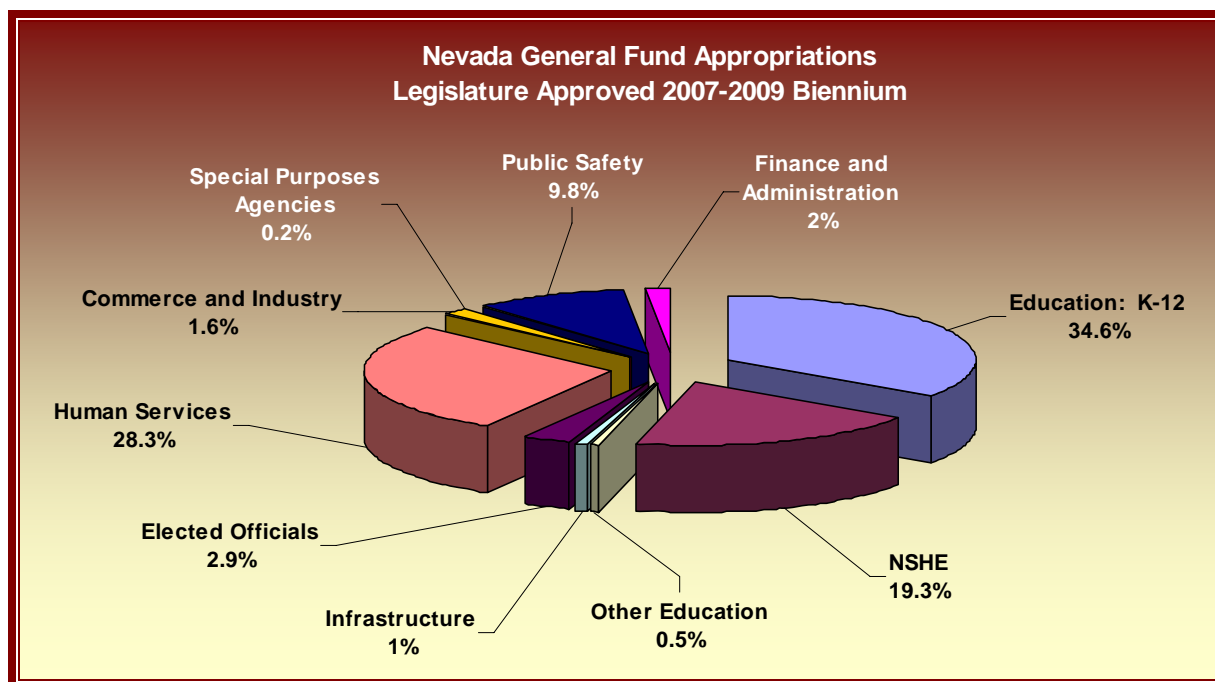
In Fall 2007, approximately 36 percent of recent Nevada high school graduates were enrolled in one or more remedial courses at NSHE institutions. This number has declined from a high in Fall 2004 and Fall 2005 of just over 40 percent.

## Tuition and Fees

Nevada public institutions of higher education rely more on tuition and fees and State appropriations as means of financing operations than the other western states. The NSHE institutions receive comparatively less funding from federal grants and contracts, federal appropriations, gifts, endowments, and other operations than the western state average. From 1998 to 2003, fees for credit hours increased, on average, 4 percent each year. Beginning in 2004 and ending in 2007, the fees increased approximately 7 percent each year. For 2008 and 2009, fees have increased nearly 11 percent each year.

## General Fund Appropriations and Budget Reductions

In its 74th Session and 23rd Special Session, the Nevada Legislature approved a General Fund operating budget for the 2007-2009 Biennium in excess of \$6.8 billion. Appropriations to education totaled \$3.7 billion or 54.4 percent of appropriations; the share marked for NSHE was \$1.3 billion or 19.3 percent of all General Fund appropriations.



Within months of the Legislature's adjournment, the revenues to the General Fund began to decline, resulting in an estimated shortfall for the biennium of approximately \$1.5 billion, due to various factors contributing to a State and national economic downturn. In response, the Governor ordered budget reductions and the Legislature in the 24th and 25th Special Sessions enacted changes in the 2007-2009 budget to generate savings. In response, the Board of Regents of the NSHE returned most of the funds for capital improvements projects and reduced other operating costs.

## Nevada Universities and Colleges

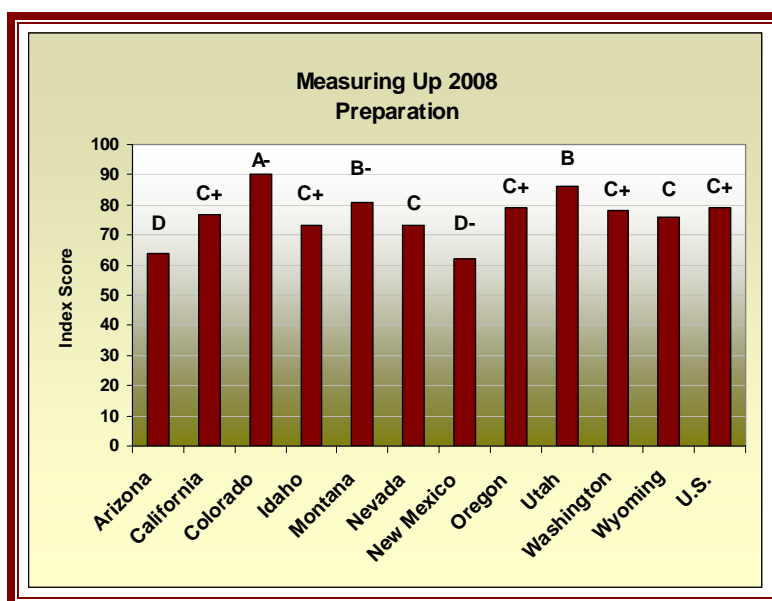
1. College of Southern Nevada (CSN)
2. Great Basin College (GBC)
3. Nevada State College at Henderson (NSC)
4. Truckee Meadows Community College (TMCC)
5. University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV)
6. University of Nevada, Reno (UNR)
7. Western Nevada College (WNC)

## Measuring Up 2008 State Report Card: Preparation

### Preparing Students for Education and Training Beyond High School Nevada and Western States

	8th Graders Scoring At or Above “Proficient” on National Assessment of Educational Progress			Number of Scores in the Top 20 Percentile Nationally on SAT/ACT per 1,000 High School Graduates	18- to 24- Year-Olds With High School Credential*	7th to 12th Graders Taught by Teachers With Major in the Subject
	Math	Reading	Writing			
Arizona	26%	24%	23%	94	83%	63%
California	24%	21%	25%	151	86%	72%
Colorado	37%	35%	38%	305	87%	79%
Idaho	34%	32%	29%	190	89%	69%
Montana	38%	39%	33%	228	87%	76%
<b>Nevada</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>69%</b>
New Mexico	17%	17%	17%	156	84%	58%
Oregon	35%	34%	33%	175	87%	78%
Utah	32%	30%	31%	201	91%	77%
Washington	36%	34%	35%	172	88%	70%
Wyoming	36%	33%	34%	227	91%	70%
Top States	41%	39%	46%	265	95%	83%

\*Credential numbers include high school diploma or alternative such as General Education Development (GED).



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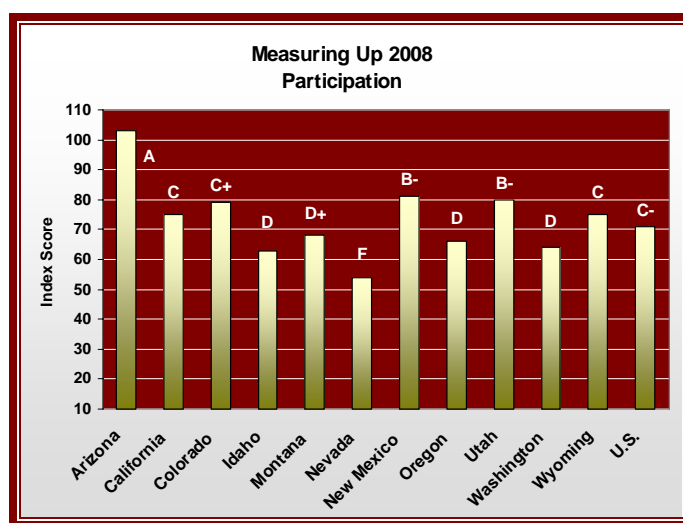
## Measuring Up 2008 State Report Card: Participation

### Opportunities to Enroll in Education and Training Beyond High School Nevada and Western States

	Young Adults		Working-Age Adults
	Chance for College by Age 19*	18- to 24-Year-Olds Enrolled in College†	25- to 49-Year-Old Residents Enrolled Part-time in Post-Secondary Education
Arizona	30%	38%	15.1%
California	36%	35%	7.2%
Colorado	44%	35%	7.3%
Idaho	36%	31%	5%
Montana	46%	32%	4.5%
<b>Nevada</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>5%</b>
New Mexico	44%	30%	8.6%
Oregon	34%	33%	5.7%
Utah	36%	34%	8.9%
Washington	33%	29%	6%
Wyoming	43%	35%	6.1%
<b>Top States</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>8.9%</b>

\*Measures the probability that a ninth grade student will finish high school within four years and go on to college immediately after high school.

†Reports the percentage of age group who are currently enrolled in education and training programs beyond high school, including both full-time and part-time enrollment.



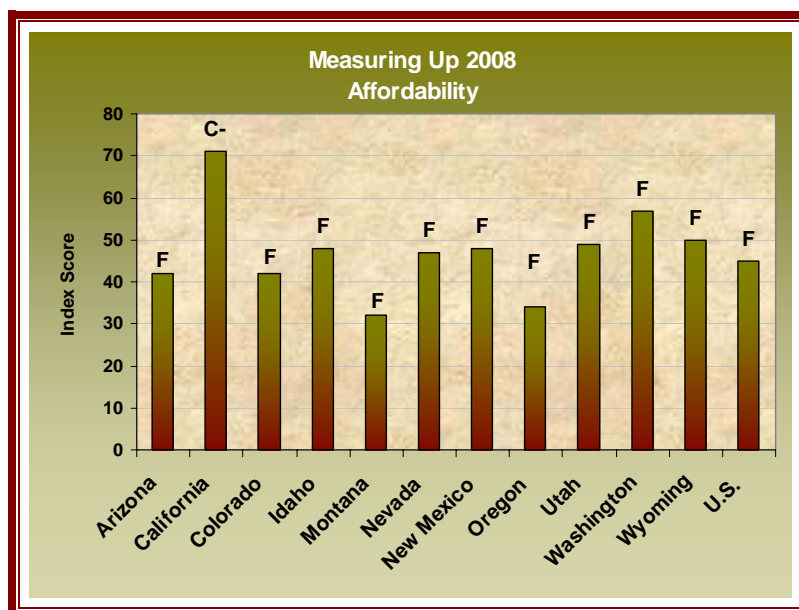
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## Measuring Up 2008 State Report Card: Affordability

### Ability to Pay for Education and Training Beyond High School Nevada and Western States

	Percentage of Average Income Needed to Pay for College Minus Financial Aid		Strategies for Affordability*		Undergraduate Student Average Annual Loan Amount
	Community College	Public Four-Year Institution	State Grant Aid Targeted as Percent of Federal Investment	Share of Income Poorest Need to Pay for Tuition	
Arizona	21%	24%	3%	12%	\$5,074
California	25%	28%	56%	5%	\$4,437
Colorado	23%	30%	41%	17%	\$4,821
Idaho	20%	24%	5%	18%	\$4,357
Montana	23%	32%	9%	29%	\$4,611
<b>Nevada</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>\$4,573</b>
New Mexico	19%	21%	20%	14%	\$5,201
Oregon	30%	36%	24%	27%	\$4,681
Utah	20%	21%	8%	17%	\$5,070
Washington	25%	31%	108%	23%	\$4,572
Wyoming	18%	15%	1%	16%	\$4,181
<b>Top States*</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>\$2,619</b>

\* The Affordability category continues to benchmark state performance against the best performance in 1992.

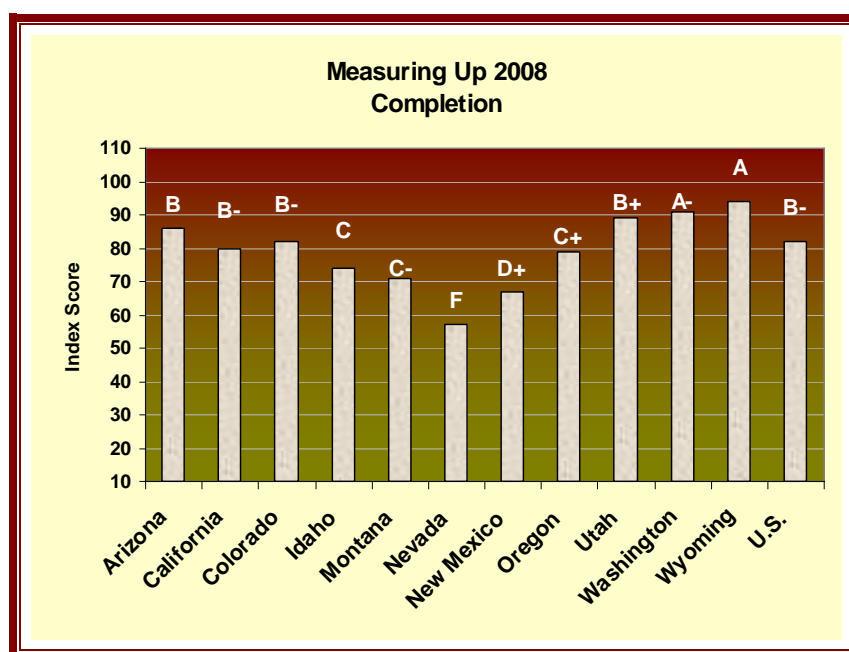


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## Measuring Up 2008 State Report Card: Completion

### Student Progress Toward Completion of Education and Training Beyond High School Nevada and Western States

	Persistence: First-Year Students Returning for Second Year		Completion: Baccalaureate Degree by First-Time Full-Time Students Within Six Years of College Entrance	Certificates, Degrees, Diplomas Awarded at All Institutions per 100 Undergraduate Students
	Community College	Four-Year Colleges and Universities		
Arizona	53%	71%	43%	18
California	54%	82%	62%	15
Colorado	47%	66%	53%	18
Idaho	55%	66%	43%	18
Montana	40%	68%	43%	17
<b>Nevada</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>11</b>
New Mexico	50%	69%	42%	14
Oregon	46%	77%	57%	17
Utah	49%	71%	49%	19
Washington	54%	80%	63%	20
Wyoming	67%	74%	57%	20
Top States	66%	82%	65%	21



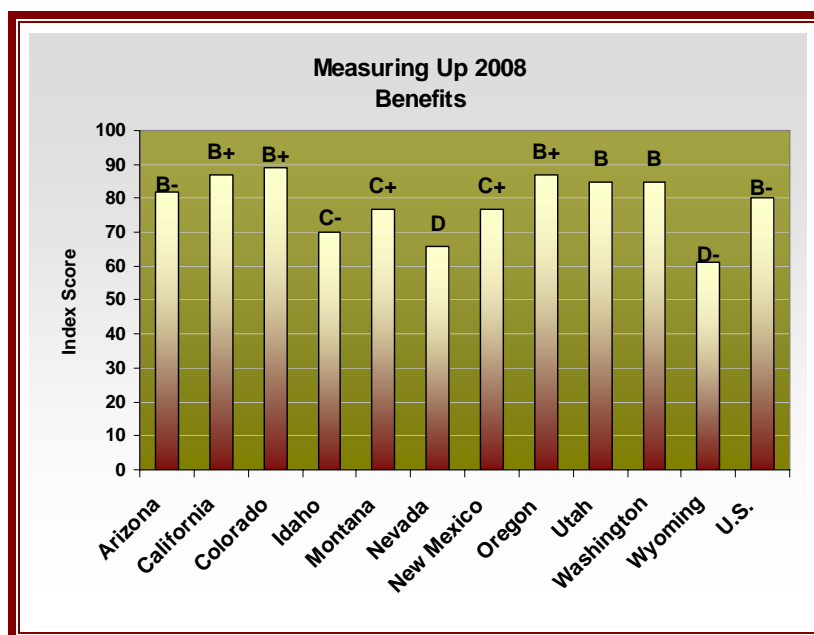
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## Measuring Up 2008 State Report Card: Benefits

### Benefits to the State as a Result of a Workforce With Education and Training Beyond High School Nevada and Western States

	Workforce Population Aged 26 to 64 with Baccalaureate Degree or Higher	Increase in Total Personal Income Resulting from Percentage of Population with Baccalaureate Degree	Residents Voting in National Elections	New Economy Index Measuring Extent of Participation in Knowledge-based Industries*
Arizona	26%	8%	47%	63
California	30%	10%	44%	83
Colorado	36%	9%	56%	78
Idaho	25%	6%	54%	63
Montana	29%	6%	64%	50
<b>Nevada</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>59</b>
New Mexico	26%	8%	56%	54
Oregon	29%	7%	64%	67
Utah	29%	7%	48%	73
Washington	32%	8%	56%	85
Wyoming	23%	3%	59%	48
<b>Top States</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>na</b>

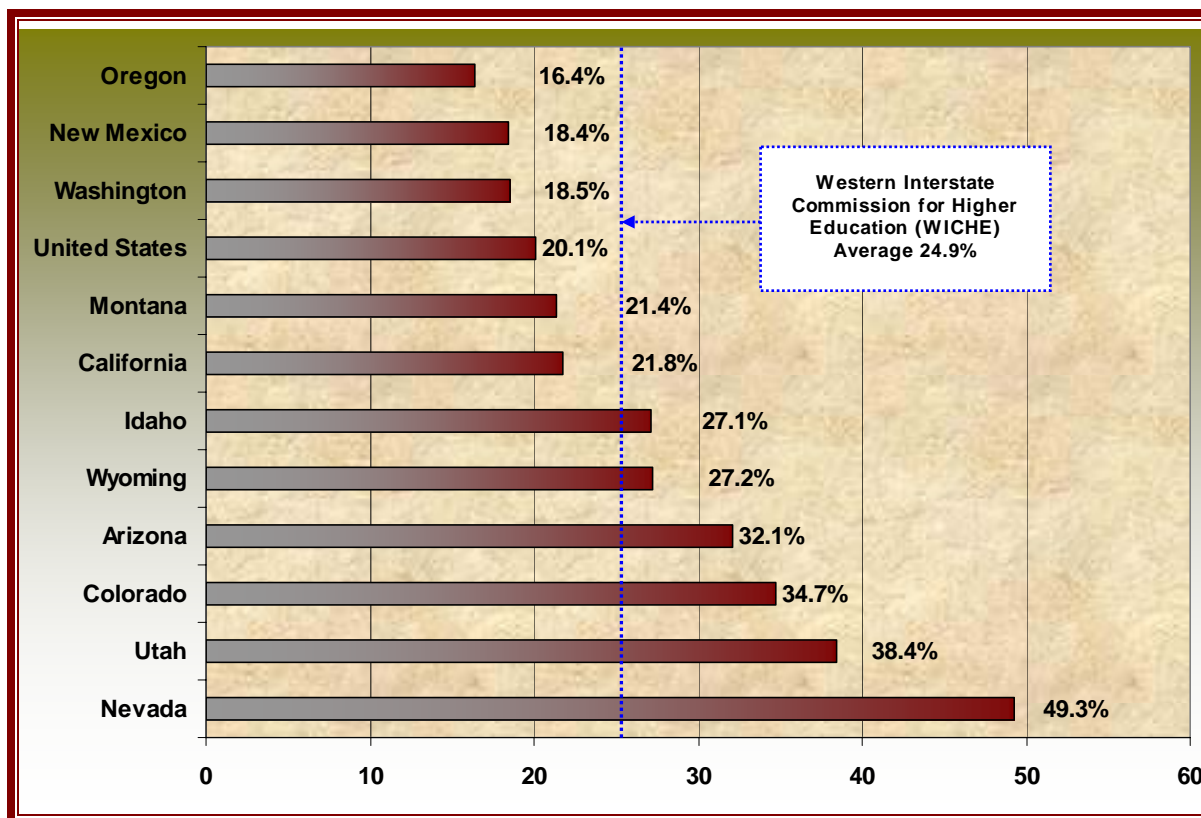
\*Index created by the Kauffman Foundation, nationwide average score is 62.



**Source:** *Measuring Up 2008: The National Report Card on Higher Education. State Report Cards.* The National Center for Public Policy and Higher Education.

## Occupations Requiring Some Postsecondary Education

### Projected Growth in Occupations Requiring Some Postsecondary Education 2004-2014



**Source:** WICHE, *Beyond Social Justice: The Threat of Inequality to Workforce Development in the Western United States*, July 2008.



**“I plan to go to college to study how the body works physically, like bones, muscles, and other things.”**

Nevada Fifth Grade Student



## Transition and Completion Rates

### Transition and Completion Rates from Ninth Grade to College Nevada and Western States 2006

	For Every 100 Ninth Graders	Number Who Graduate from High School	Number Who Enter College	Number Who are Still Enrolled Their Sophomore Year	Number Who Graduate Within 150 Percent of Time
Arizona	100	67.8	30.4	19.5	13.8
California	100	65.8	36.7	25.5	20.1
Colorado	100	70.4	44.3	26.2	22
Idaho	100	78.7	36	22.7	14.4
Montana	100	79.3	46.1	28.8	18.4
<b>Nevada</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>50.5</b>	<b>26.4</b>	<b>17.6</b>	<b>9.8</b>
New Mexico	100	61.8	43.5	25.6	12.7
Oregon	100	71.2	33.7	22.7	15.6
Utah	100	78.9	37.2	22.6	17.7
Washington	100	68.6	33	23.8	17.3
Wyoming	100	74.6	43.2	30.8	25
Nation	100	68.8	42.3	28.4	19.6

**Source:** NCHEMS Information System, compiled from the Common Core of Data, National Center for Education Statistics



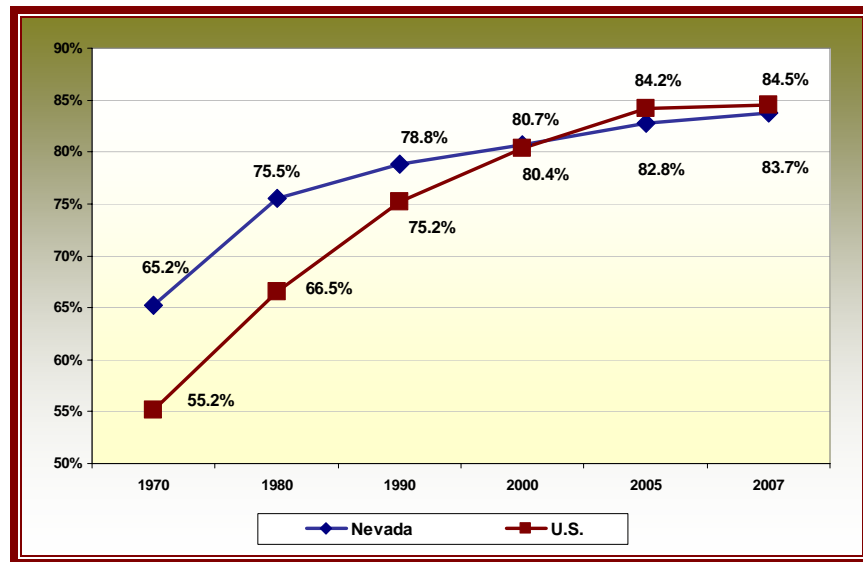
**“I want to go to college to study blueprints so my  
buildings will be built.”**

Nevada Fifth Grade Student

## Educational Attainment

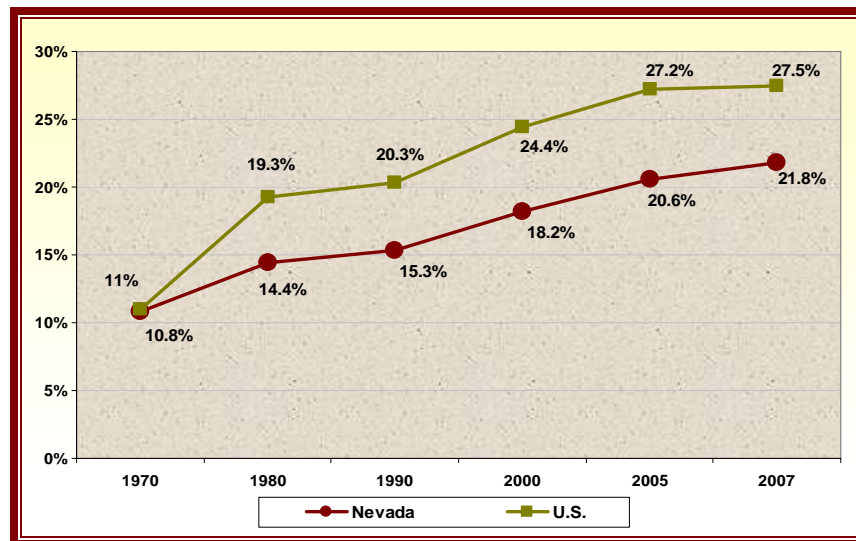
### Educational Attainment of All Population Over Age 25 Nevada and the U.S. 1970 to 2007

#### Percentage Earning High School Diploma or Higher, Including Equivalency



**Source:** U.S. Census Bureau, Decennial Census 1970 to 2000, 2007 estimate based on American Community Survey.

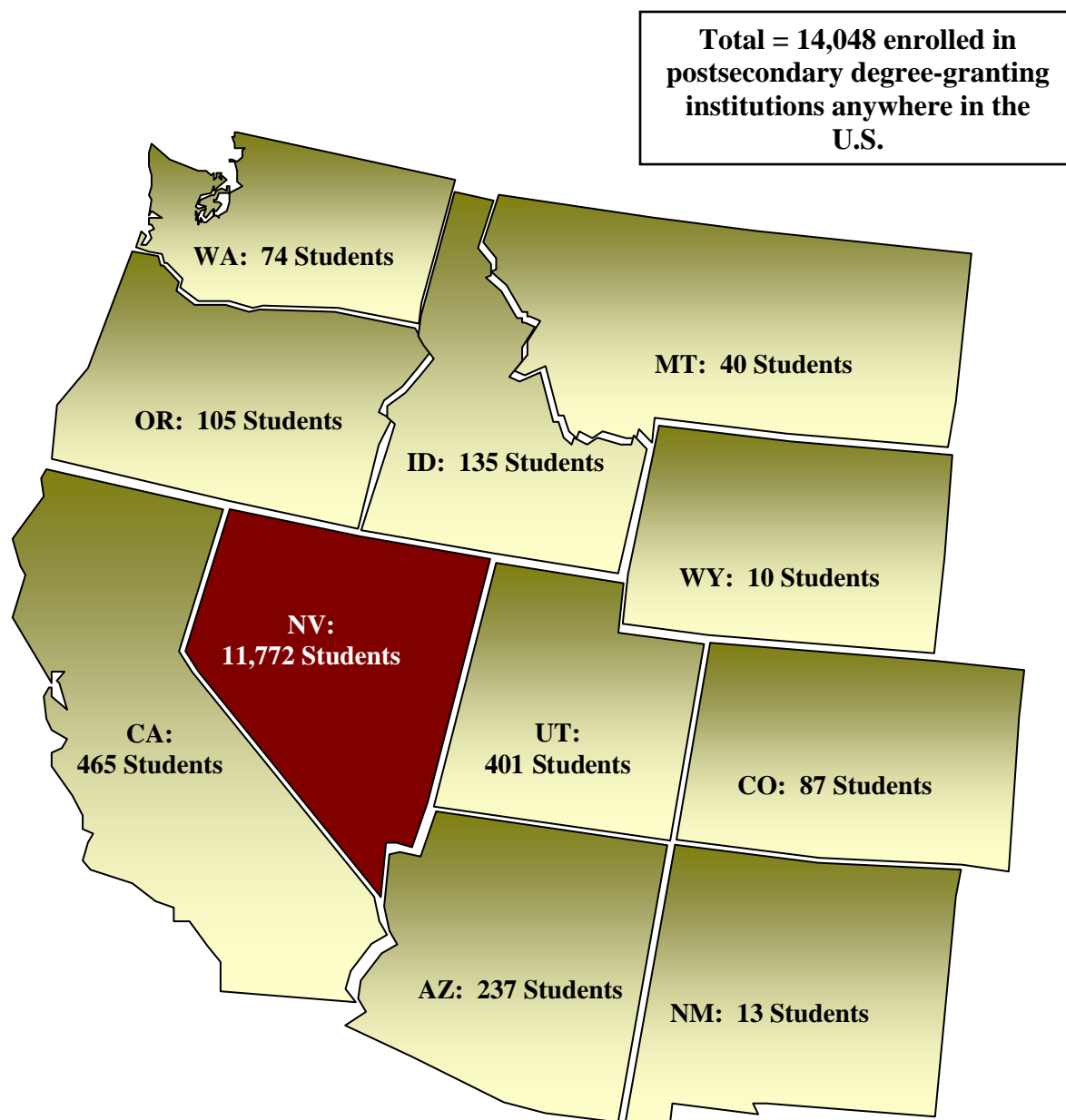
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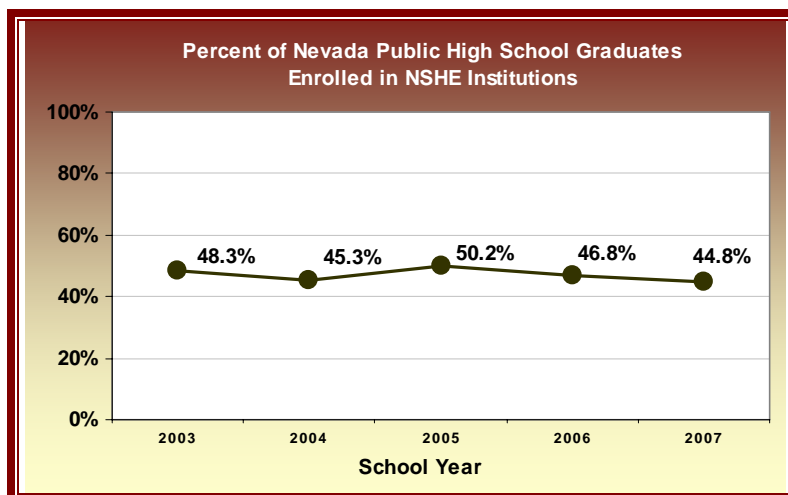
## College Continuation Rates

### Postsecondary Enrollment of Recent Nevada High School Graduates in Nevada and Western States Fall 2006



**Source:** Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, Regional Fact Book, Table 15, *Migration of First-Time, Full-Time College Students in the United States, 2006-2007*.

## College Continuation Rates (*continued*)



### Nevada Public High School Graduates Enrolled in NSHE Institutions

	2003		2004		2005		2006		2007	
	Total Graduates	Enrolled in NSHE	Total Graduates	Enrolled in NSHE	Total Graduates	Enrolled in NSHE	Total Graduates	Enrolled in NSHE	Total Graduates	Enrolled in NSHE
<b>Total*</b>	<b>14,203</b>	<b>48.3%</b>	<b>15,005</b>	<b>45.3%</b>	<b>15,551*</b>	<b>50.2%</b>	<b>16,979*</b>	<b>46.8%</b>	<b>17,762*</b>	<b>44.8%</b>
Carson City	471	50.7%	426	57.7%	457	58%	431	60.6%	398	64.3%
Churchill	267	43.1%	236	47%	252	40.1%	259	38.6%	300	37.7%
Clark	9,107	45.8%	9,722	41.3%	10,226	47.5%	10,915	44.1%	11,317	41.7%
Douglas	426	51.5%	446	52.9%	406	55.7%	414	56.8%	411	54%
Elko	371	53.6%	496	46.4%	522	47.5%	491	41.8%	496	45.6%
Eureka	15	66.7%	16	50%	18	77.8%	16	81.3%	15	73.3%
Humboldt	187	34.2%	239	28.9%	175	43.4%	180	28.9%	175	36%
Lander	69	46.4%	66	40.9%	45	40%	71	39.4%	77	36.4%
Lincoln	67	17.9%	56	37.5%	49	36.7%	60	25%	52	17.3%
Lyon	325	38.5%	357	48.7%	363	48.5%	372	42.2%	400	45.3%
Mineral	38	28.9%	32	28.1%	34	35.3%	23	34.8%	29	51.7%
Nye	235	32.3%	209	29.7%	194	37.6%	244	29.9%	235	28.5%
Pershing	38	34.2%	57	33.3%	43	53.5%	46	32.6%	39	35.9%
Storey	17	64.7%	17	64.7%	21	71.4%	29	58.6%	33	24.2%
Washoe	2,474	62%	2,560	60%	2,628	62.5%	2,702	60.2%	2,793	59.5%
White Pine	96	29.2%	70	31.4%	96	31.3%	90	21.1%	93	25.8%

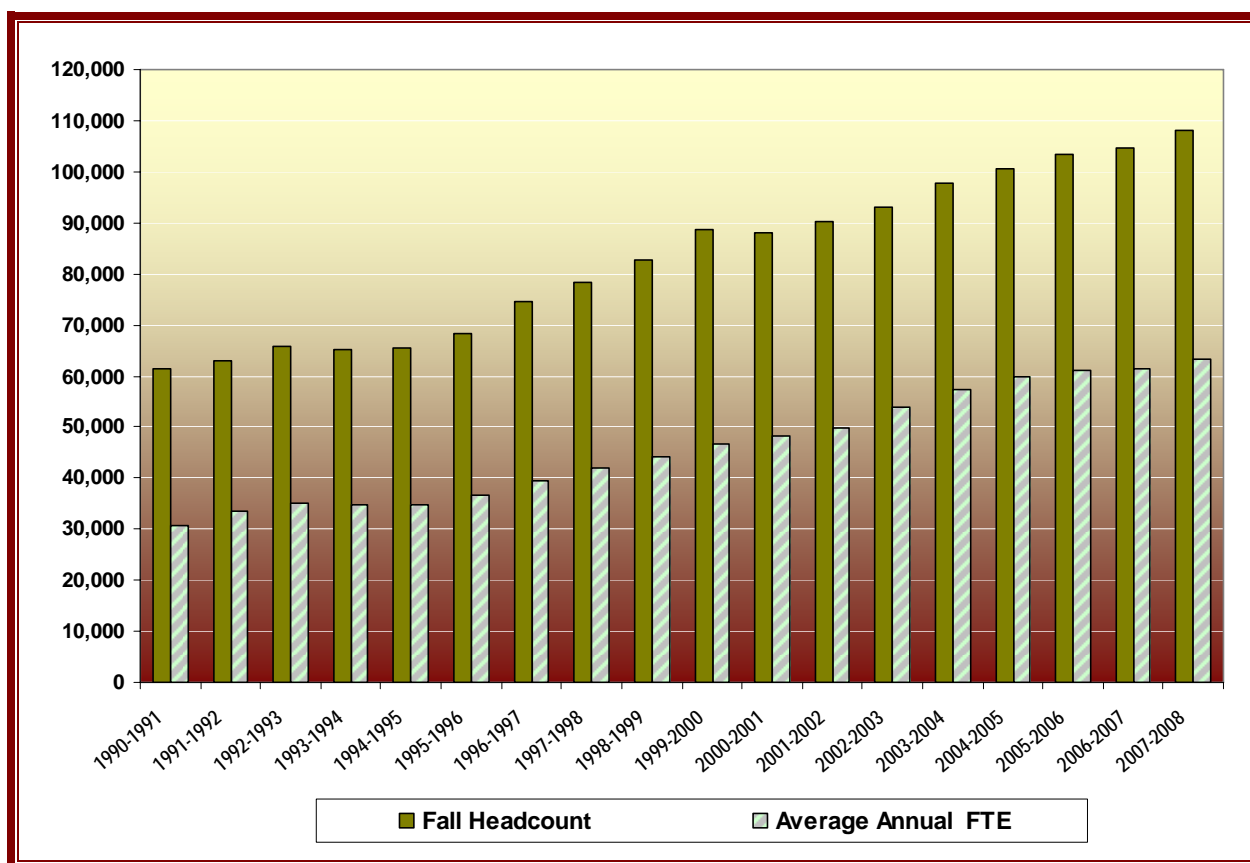
\*Total includes graduates from state charter schools: in 2005, 22 graduates; in 2006, 24 graduates; in 2007, 105 graduates.

**Source:** "NSHE Capture Rate of Recent Nevada High School Graduates," Nevada System of Higher Education, Office of Academic and Student Affairs.

**Note:** Nevada high school graduates enrolled at a NSHE institution are students who graduated from high school within 12 months preceding their enrollment at the NSHE for the year indicated. Data are based on the enrollment of graduates without regard to their status as degree-seeking or nondegree-seeking students.

## NSHE Enrollment

NSHE Historical Fall Headcount and Average Annual FTE Enrollment



**Source:** Nevada System of Higher Education, Office of Academic and Student Affairs, Annual Average Full-time Equivalent Enrollment, 1987-2008 (<http://system.nevada.edu/Chancellor/Academic-A1/Under-Deve/NSHE-AAFTE-1986-2008.pdf>).



**“I’m going to try for a scholarship to Humboldt and study marine biology.”**

Nevada Eighth Grade Student

## NSHE Remediation Rates

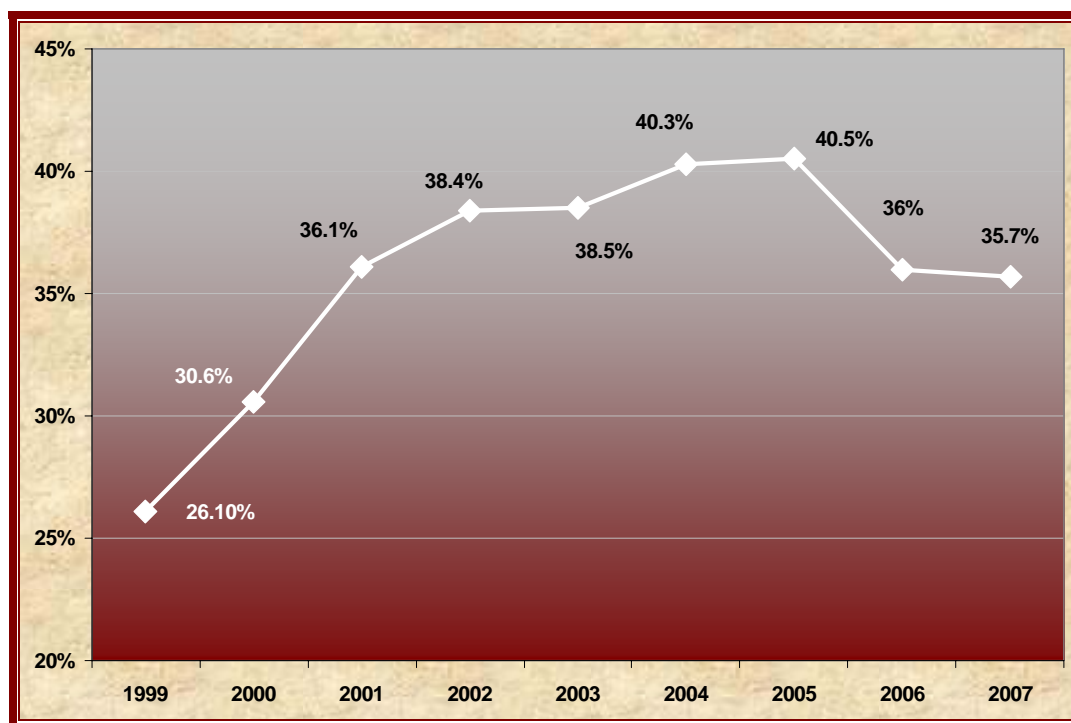
### Recent Nevada High School Graduates Enrolled in Remedial Classes as a Percentage of All Recent Nevada High School Graduates Enrolled in the NSHE 1999-2007

		UNLV	UNR	NSC	CSN	GBC	TMCC	WNC	NSHE Total
2007	Enrolled	1,999	1,802	141	2,319	257	960	489	7,781
	In Remediation	118	652	77	888	153	637	275	2,779
	<b>Percentage</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>36.2%</b>	<b>54.6%</b>	<b>38.3%</b>	<b>59.5%</b>	<b>66.4%</b>	<b>56.2%</b>	<b>36%</b>
2006	Enrolled	1,863	1,763	241	2,526	190	947	412	7,702
	In Remediation	157	578	122	980	109	635	208	2,773
	<b>Percentage</b>	<b>8.4%</b>	<b>32.8%</b>	<b>50.6%</b>	<b>38.8%</b>	<b>57.4%</b>	<b>67.1%</b>	<b>50.5%</b>	<b>36%</b>
2005	Enrolled	2,180	1,891	90	2,361	232	928	429	8,111
	In Remediation	822	572	36	882	135	616	206	3,269
	<b>Percentage</b>	<b>37.7%</b>	<b>30.2%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>37.4%</b>	<b>58.2%</b>	<b>66.4%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>40%</b>
2004	Enrolled	2,255	1,693	75	1,636	174	901	354	7,088
	In Remediation	1,018	467	27	568	108	524	159	2,871
	<b>Percentage</b>	<b>45.1%</b>	<b>27.6%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>34.7%</b>	<b>62.1%</b>	<b>58.2%</b>	<b>44.9%</b>	<b>41%</b>
2003	Enrolled	2,072	1,742	54	1,922	162	855	340	7,147
	In Remediation	857	474	18	676	91	498	137	2,751
	<b>Percentage</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>39%</b>
2002	Enrolled	1,582	1,752	51	2,161	118	772	289	6,725
	In Remediation	684	487	29	699	81	460	142	2,582
	<b>Percentage</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>38%</b>
2001	Enrolled	1,634	1,688		1,733	147	690	284	6,176
	In Remediation	644	501		524	95	375	91	2,230
	<b>Percentage</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>30%</b>		<b>30%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>36%</b>
2000	Enrolled	1,804	1,565		1,759	165	532	346	6,171
	In Remediation	605	380		464	63	288	93	1,893
	<b>Percentage</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>24%</b>		<b>26%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>31%</b>
1999	Enrolled	1,485	1,151		2,232	149	601	303	5,921
	In Remediation	388	258		452	68	295	86	1,547
	<b>Percentage</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>22%</b>		<b>20%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>26%</b>

**Source:** Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE), *Report on Remedial/Developmental Enrollments, Summer and Fall*, various years.

### NSHE Remediation Rates (*continued*)

**Recent Nevada High School Graduates Enrolled in Remedial Courses as a Percentage of All Recent Nevada High School Graduates Enrolled in NSHE**  
**Percentage Change in Total**  
**1999-2007**



**Recent Nevada High School Graduates Enrolled in Remedial Courses as a Percentage of the Total Number of Students Enrolled in Remediation**  
**2007**

	UNLV	UNR	NSC	CSN	GBC	TMCC	WNC	NSHE Total
All students in remedial	590	1,147	333	6,275	638	2,394	986	12,363
Recent Nevada high school graduates in remedial	118	658	77	888	153	637	275	2,779
Recent Nevada high school graduates as percentage of total in remedial	20%	57.4%	23.1%	14.2%	24%	26.6%	27.9%	22.5%

**Source:** Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE), *Report on Remedial/Developmental Enrollments, Summer and Fall 2007*, January 2008.

## Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship Program

### Millennium Scholarship Trust Fund Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement Revenues Interest and Fiscal Year (FY) Ending Fund Balances

FY	Tobacco Revenue	Interest Revenue	FY Ending Fund Balance
2000	\$17,166,864	\$ 378,143	\$17,426,528
2001	15,295,247	1,066,940	26,612,643
2002	17,755,833	875,464	31,082,831
2003	17,800,485	589,112	28,722,905
2004	15,231,231	312,194	17,461,914
2005	15,459,270	100,649	38,044,642
2006	14,106,876	894,676	31,634,416
2007	14,778,081	888,473	29,141,940
2008	18,196,213	854,187	29,748,345

Source: Office of the State Treasurer, December 2008.

### Projected Obligations of the Millennium Scholarship Trust Fund

FY	Scholarship Payments	Administration Costs*	Ending Fund Balances
2009	\$25,306,123	\$460,153	\$17,477,323
2010	26,344,816	-	17,176,607
2011	26,513,917	-	16,947,977
2012	26,653,925	-	16,927,763
2013	28,347,980	-	15,462,588
2014	29,935,814	-	12,638,764
2015	31,435,891	-	8,393,058
2016	32,413,769	-	3,315,863
2017	33,494,512	-	(2,702,517)

\*Fiscal Year 2009 administration costs are based on approved budget; subsequent fiscal years have been eliminated, assuming College Savings Trust Fund will cover administrative costs.

Source: Office of the State Treasurer, December 2008.

**Note:** The Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship Program is appropriated 40 percent of Nevada's revenues received as a signatory to the tobacco Master Settlement Agreement (MSA), entered into on November 23, 1998. In 2005, the Legislature supplemented the revenues from the MSA with revenues from the Abandoned Property Trust Fund. Senate Bill 4 (Chapter 10, *Statutes of Nevada 2005, 22nd Special Session*) requires that, following maintenance of a balance of \$100,500, the first \$7.6 million must be transferred to the Millennium Scholarship Trust Fund created by *Nevada Revised Statutes* 396.926. In addition, S.B. 4 provided an infusion of \$35 million from the State General Fund.



## Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship Program (*continued*)

### Nevada Millennium Scholarship Program: Eligibility and Utilization Term Year 2000 to 2008 Cumulative

Term Year*	Number of Students Eligible	Number of Students Utilizing*	Percentage Utilizing
2000	7,362	5,655	76.8%
2001	<b>7,946</b>	<b>6,049</b>	<b>76.1%</b>
2002	8,166	6,153	75.4%
2003	<b>8,700</b>	<b>6,531</b>	<b>75.1%</b>
2004	9,086	6,542	72%
2005	<b>8,627</b>	<b>6,009</b>	<b>69.7%</b>
2006	8,729	5,895	67.5%
2007	<b>8,152</b>	<b>5,226</b>	<b>64.1%</b>
2008	8,731	4,689	53.7%

\*Eligible students may obtain scholarship funds for a number of years after graduation that is fixed by statute. The number of students utilizing the program in a given year may have graduated earlier than the previous spring.

### Students Eligible for the Millennium Scholarship by County: Regular High School Programs

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Carson City	252	264	260	290	247	244	204	174
Churchill	<b>154</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>111</b>
Clark	4,384	4,782	4,983	5,330	5,788	5,571	5,641	5,440
Douglas	<b>208</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>174</b>
Elko	318	265	266	267	259	277	249	195
Eureka	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>
Humboldt	106	72	97	99	97	69	78	42
Lander	<b>36</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>23</b>
Lincoln	45	52	36	37	40	36	49	37
Lyon	<b>144</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>149</b>
Mineral	17	13	29	21	9	15	6	11
Nye	<b>121</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>101</b>
Pershing	43	38	21	15	29	22	23	14
Storey	<b>14</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>6</b>
Washoe	1,398	1,616	1,620	1,779	1,772	1,641	1,627	1,611
White Pine	<b>66</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,319</b>	<b>7,901</b>	<b>8,113</b>	<b>8,655</b>	<b>9,045</b>	<b>8,579</b>	<b>8,640</b>	<b>8,127</b>

### Students Eligible for the Millennium Scholarship: Nonstandard High School Programs

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
GED	3	10	8	2	1	1	n/a	1
Home School	<b>21</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>10</b>
Non-Nevada High School	15	18	14	19	14	8	8	6

Source: Office of the State Treasurer, December 2008.

## Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship Program *(continued)*

### Nevada Millennium Scholarship Program Fall 2002 to Fall 2008

#### Total Scholars by Institution

		CSN	GBC	TMCC	WNC	NSC	UNLV	UNR	SNC	Total
2002	Number	2,558	197	894	328	31	3,849	3,861	17	11,735
	Av.GPA	2.93	2.89	2.92	3.05	2.54	2.85	3.00	3.13	
2003	Number	3,154	259	1,241	434	55	5,301	4,987	22	15,453
	Av.GPA	2.94	2.85	2.95	3.14	2.84	2.92	3.02	3.31	
2004	Number	3,381	295	1,467	493	128	6,201	5,497	25	17,487
	Av.GPA	2.96	2.96	2.96	3.03	3.02	2.97	3.04	2.71	
2005	Number	3,293	322	1,550	495	185	6,485	5,774	32	18,136
	Av.GPA	3.02	2.92	3.05	3.08	2.95	2.99	3.05	3.18	
2006	Number	3,014	298	1,367	466	266	6,087	5,594	18	17,110
	Av.GPA	3.00	2.92	3.05	3.14	3.01	3.02	3.09	N/A	
2007	Number	2,981	269	1,317	459	242	6,029	5,475	25	16,797
	Av.GPA	3.09	3.12	3.13	3.22	3.21	3.06	3.12	3.34	
2008	Number	2,843	278	1,240	445	239	6,219	5,364	N/A	16,628
	Av.GPA	3.10	3.09	3.13	3.17	3.24	3.06	3.17	N/A	

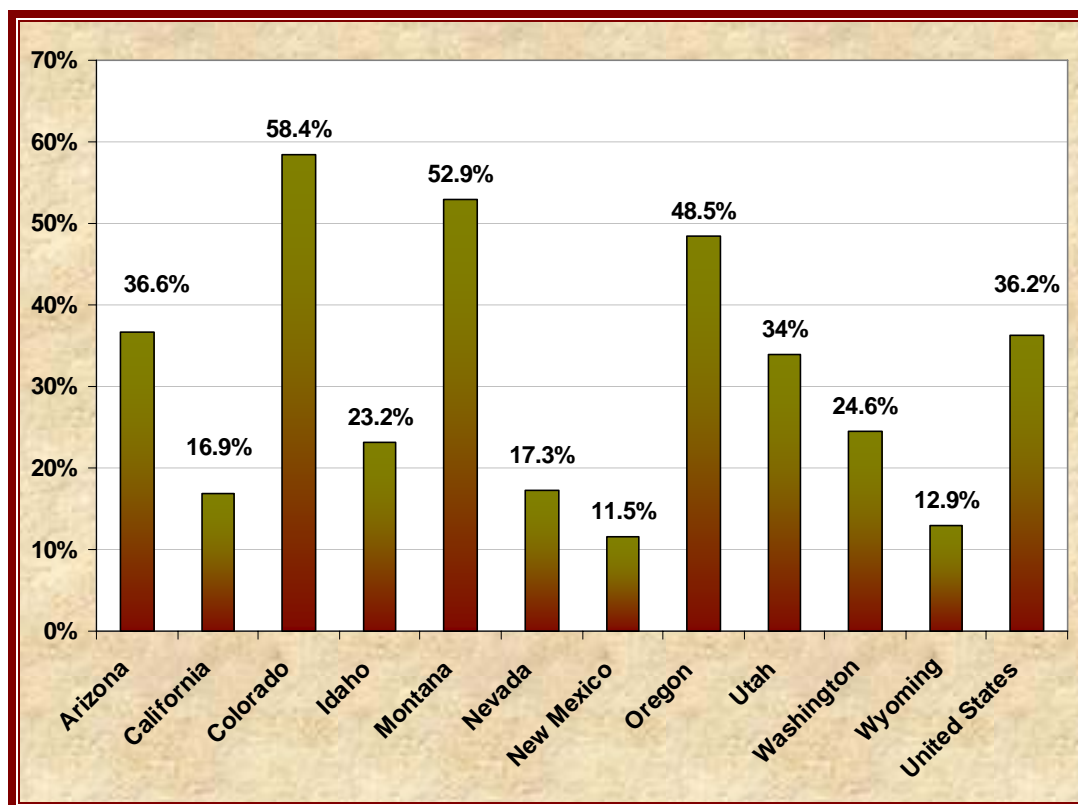
#### Scholars Maintaining Eligibility by Institution

		CSN	GBC	TMCC	WNC	NSC	UNLV	UNR	SNC	Total
2002	Number	2,125	168	729	275	23	3,062	3,361	15	9,758
	Percent	83%	85%	82%	84%	74%	80%	87%	88%	83%
2003	Number	2,428	207	947	364	39	4,022	4,068	19	12,094
	Percent	77%	80%	76%	84%	71%	76%	82%	86%	78%
2004	Number	2,573	244	1,103	385	97	4,555	4,425	21	13,403
	Percent	76%	83%	75%	78%	76%	73%	80%	84%	77%
2005	Number	2,473	247	1,180	391	128	4,950	4,626	29	14,024
	Percent	75%	77%	76%	79%	69%	76%	80%	91%	77%
2006	Number	2,060	207	957	341	188	4,290	4,263	18	12,324
	Percent	68%	69%	70%	73%	71%	70%	76%	100%	72%
2007	Number	2,065	193	945	374	182	4,420	4,186	22	12,387
	Percent	69%	72%	72%	82%	75%	73%	77%	88%	74%
2008	Number	1,940	195	917	345	184	4,469	4,281	n/a	12,331
	Percent	68%	70%	74%	78%	77%	72%	80%		

**Source:** Office of the State Treasurer, Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship Program.

## Tuition and Fees

**Tuition as a Percentage of Public Higher Education Total Educational Revenue by State  
Nevada and Western States  
FY 2007**



**Source:** State Higher Education Executive Officers, *State Higher Education Finance, FY 2007*.



**“I definitely want to go to college.  
But what will I study? IDK.”**

Nevada Eighth Grade Student

**Tuition and Fees (*continued*)**

**Resident Undergraduate Tuition and Fees at  
Selected Public Four-Year Institutions  
Nevada and Western States  
2008-2009 and 1998-1999**

	<b>2008-2009</b>	<b>1998-1999</b>	<b>Percentage Change</b>
<b>Arizona</b>			
State Universities	\$5,591	\$2,158	159.1%
<b>California</b>			
California State University System	\$3,849	\$1,888	104.1%
<b>Colorado</b>			
State Universities	\$6,576	\$3,037	116.6%
<b>Idaho</b>			
State Universities	\$4,643	\$2,149	116%
<b>Montana</b>			
State Universities	\$5,484	\$2,823	94.3%
<b>Nevada</b>			
University of Nevada	\$4,527	\$2,070	118.7%
<b>New Mexico</b>			
State Universities	\$4,796	\$2,295	109%
<b>Oregon</b>			
State Universities	\$6,256	\$3,586	74.5%
<b>Utah</b>			
State Universities	\$4,865	\$2,478	96.3%
<b>Washington</b>			
State Universities	\$7,183	\$3,446	108.5%
<b>Wyoming</b>			
University of Wyoming	\$3,621	\$2,330	55.4%
<b>Simple Average</b>			
<b>All Institutions – WICHE States</b>	<b>\$5,382</b>	<b>\$2,700</b>	<b>103.1%</b>

**Source:** *Tuition & Fees In Public Higher Education in the West: 2008-2009 Detailed Tuition & Fees Tables*, Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, November 2008.

**Tuition and Fees (*continued*)**

**Nonresident Undergraduate Tuition and Fees at  
Selected Public Four-Year Institutions  
Nevada and Western States  
2008-2009 and 1998-1999**

	2008-2009	1998-1999	Percentage Change
<b>Arizona</b>			
State Universities	\$17,809	\$8,903	100%
<b>California</b>			
California State University System	\$14,019	\$9,266	51.3%
<b>Colorado</b>			
State Universities	\$24,173	\$13,031	85.5%
<b>Idaho</b>			
State Universities	\$13,929	\$8,189	70.1%
<b>Montana</b>			
State Universities	\$16,722	\$8,029	108.3%
<b>Nevada</b>			
University of Nevada	\$15,622	\$7,840	99.3%
<b>New Mexico</b>			
State Universities	\$15,225	\$8,057	89%
<b>Oregon</b>			
State Universities	\$19,217	\$11,895	61.6%
<b>Utah</b>			
State Universities	\$14,776	\$7,527	96.3%
<b>Washington</b>			
State Universities	\$20,870	\$11,036	89.1%
<b>Wyoming</b>			
University of Wyoming	\$11,031	\$7,418	48.7%
<b>Simple Average</b>			
<b>All Institutions – WICHE States</b>	\$15,005	\$8,626	75.1%

**Source:** *Tuition & Fees In Public Higher Education in the West: 2008-2009 Detailed Tuition & Fees Tables*, Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, November 2008.

## Tuition and Fees (*continued*)

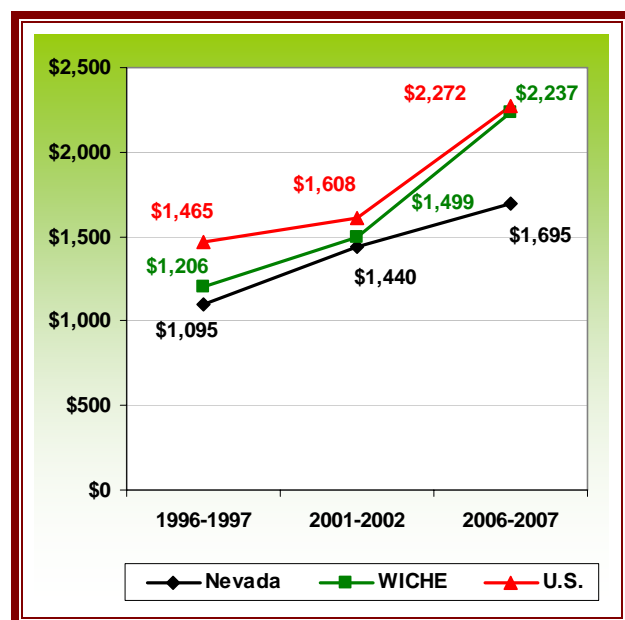
### Historical Fee Charges per Semester for Undergraduate Resident Students

FY	Universities	Annual Percentage Increase	State College	Annual Percentage Increase	Community Colleges	Annual Percentage Increase
2009	\$129.50	10.9%	\$93.50	9%	\$57.25	4.6%
2008	116.75	10.9%	85.75	8.5%	54.75	4.3%
2007	105.25	7.4%	79	6%	52.50	3.5%
2006	98	7.7%	74.50	6.4%	50.75	3.6%
2005	91	7.1%	70	6.1%	49	3.7%
2004	85	7.6%	66	6.5%	47.25	3.8%
2003	79	3.3%	62	3.3%	45.50	3.4%
2002	76.50	3.4%	60		44	3.5%
2001	74	3.5%			42.50	3.7%
2000	71.50	3.6%			41	3.8%
1999	69	3.8%			39.50	2.6%
1998	66.50	3.9%			38.50	4.1%

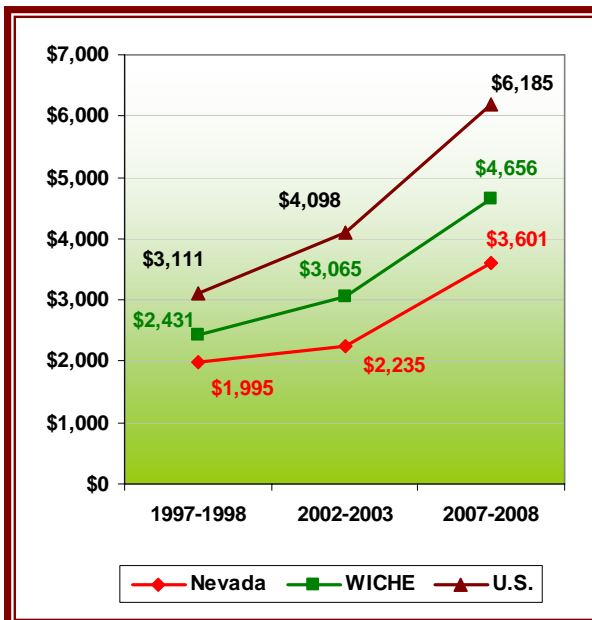
Source: Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, *Nevada Legislative Appropriations Report*.

### Undergraduate Resident Fees Nevada and WICHE States

#### Two-Year Institutions



#### Four-Year Institutions



Source: *Regional Fact Book for Higher Education*, WICHE (<http://www.wiche.edu/policy/Factbook>).

## Student Financial Aid

### Total Student Financial Aid Awarded by State Nevada and Western States 2006-2007

	Need-Based Grant Aid	Non-Need-Based Grant Aid	Non-Grant Aid	Total
Arizona	\$13,241,000	NA*	\$1,985,000	\$15,226,000
California	\$763,399,000	NA	\$36,656,000	\$800,055,000
Colorado	\$62,919,000	\$9,143,000	\$13,219,000	\$85,281,000
Idaho	\$972,000	\$4,778,000	\$1,937,000	\$7,687,000
Montana	\$4,563,000	NA	\$958,000	\$5,521,000
<b>Nevada</b>	<b>\$15,612,000</b>	<b>\$25,392,000</b>	<b>\$14,322,000</b>	<b>\$55,326,000</b>
New Mexico	\$23,069,000	\$48,225,000	\$17,970,000	\$89,265,000
Oregon	\$33,118,000	\$265,000	\$35,407,000	\$68,790,000
Utah	\$7,368,000	\$2,103,000	\$45,737,000	\$55,208,000
Washington	\$181,824,000	\$3,133,000	\$29,201,000	\$214,158,000
Wyoming	\$163,000	NA	NA	\$163,000

\*Not available.

**Source:** National Association of State Student Grant and Aid Programs, *38th Annual Survey Report on State-Sponsored Student Financial Aid, 2006-2007 Academic Year*.



**“Since I want to be a vet, I will go to college and study animals.”**

Nevada Eighth Grade Student

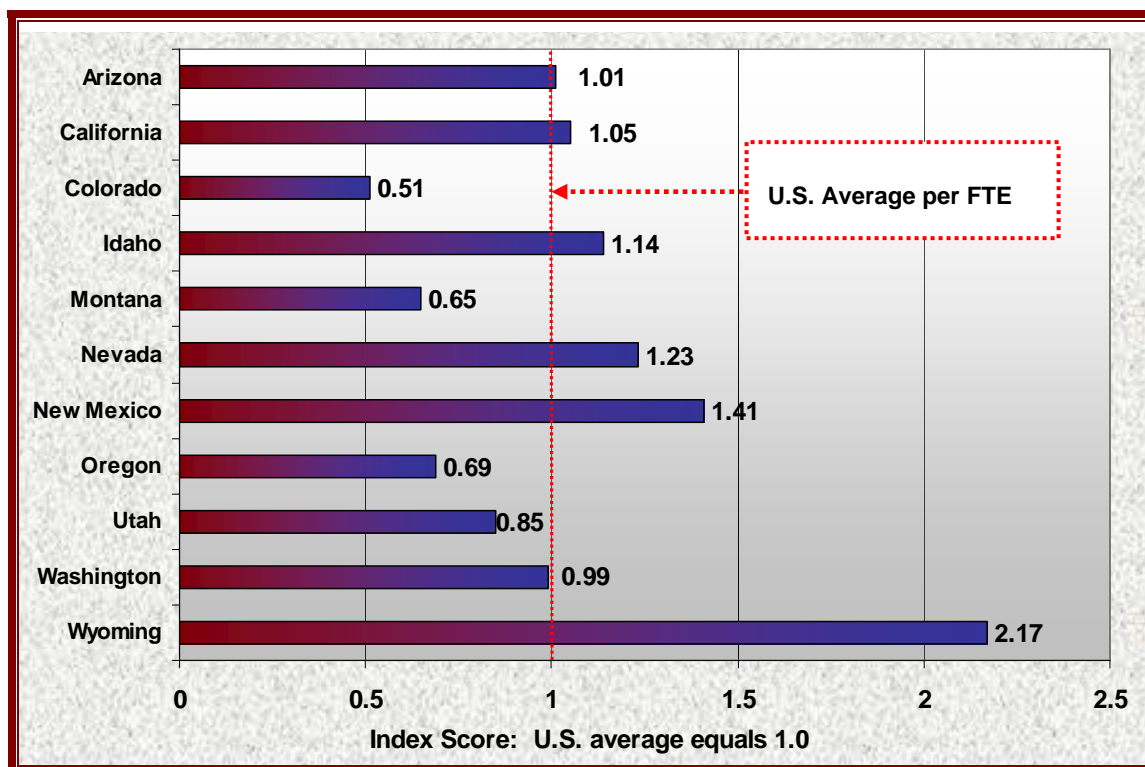
## Funding

### Educational Appropriations Per Full-Time Equivalent Student Public Higher Education Nevada and Western States FY 2002 and FY 2007

State	FY 2002	FY 2007	Five-Year Percentage Change
Arizona	\$7,073	\$6,871	-2.9%
California	\$8,111	\$7,083	-12.7%
Colorado	\$4,646	\$3,434	-26.1%
Idaho	\$8,761	\$7,736	-11.7%
Montana	\$4,786	\$4,386	-8.4%
<b>Nevada</b>	<b>\$7,571</b>	<b>\$8,336</b>	<b>10.1%</b>
New Mexico	\$7,945	\$9,518	19.8%
Oregon	\$5,152	\$4,653	-9.7%
Utah	\$5,886	\$5,774	-1.9%
Washington	\$6,776	\$6,736	-0.6%
Wyoming	\$11,438	\$14,709	28.6%
U.S.	\$7,341	\$6,773	-7.7%

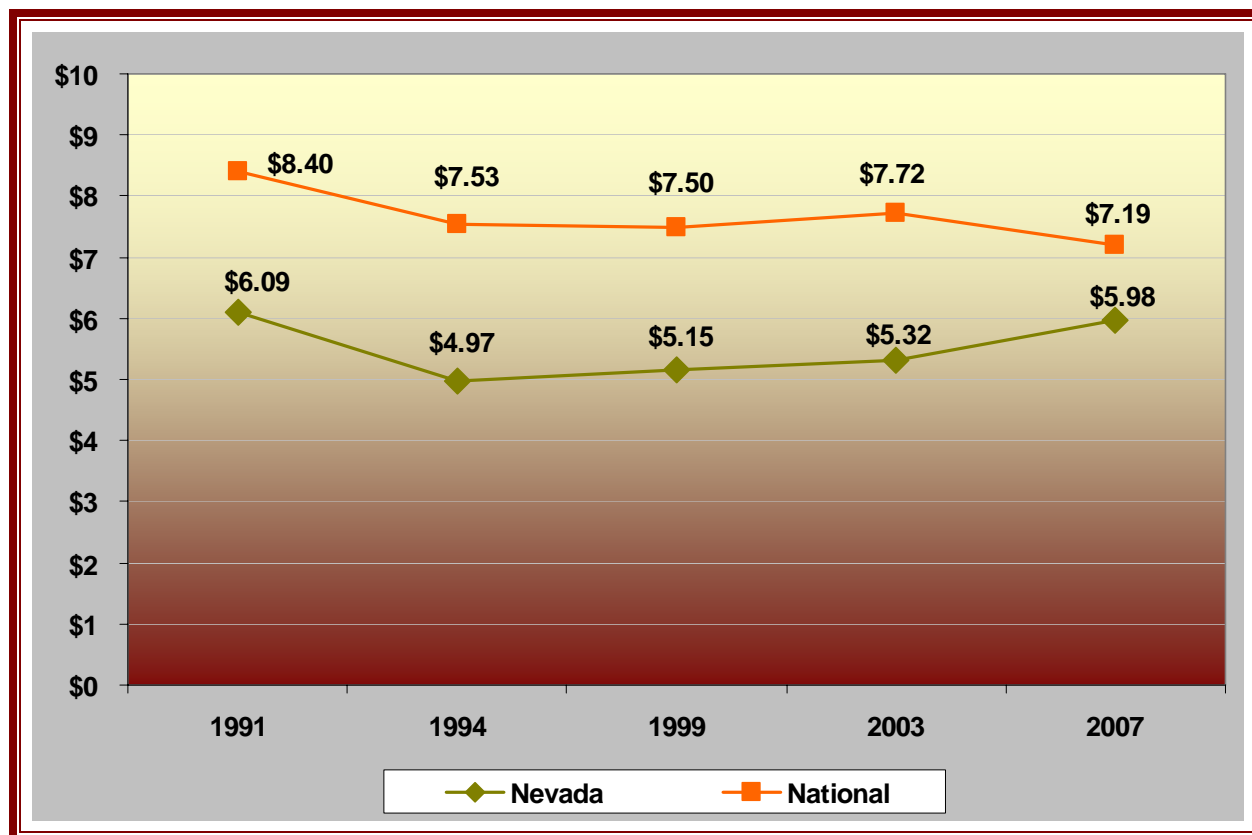
**Source:** State Higher Education Executive Officers, *State Higher Education Finance, FY 2007*.

### FY 2007 Index to National Average



**Source:** State Higher Education Executive Officers, *State Higher Education Finance, FY 2007*.



**Funding (continued)****State Tax Fund Appropriations\* for Higher Education per \$1,000 of Personal Income  
Nevada and U.S. Average**

\*Data include appropriations, not expenditures; appropriations are for operating expenses.

**Source:** “State and Local Support for Higher Education Operating Expenses Per \$1,000 of Personal Income,” NCHEMS Information Center for State Higher Education Policymaking and Analysis, various years (<http://www.higheredinfo.org/dbrowser/index.php?measure=49>).

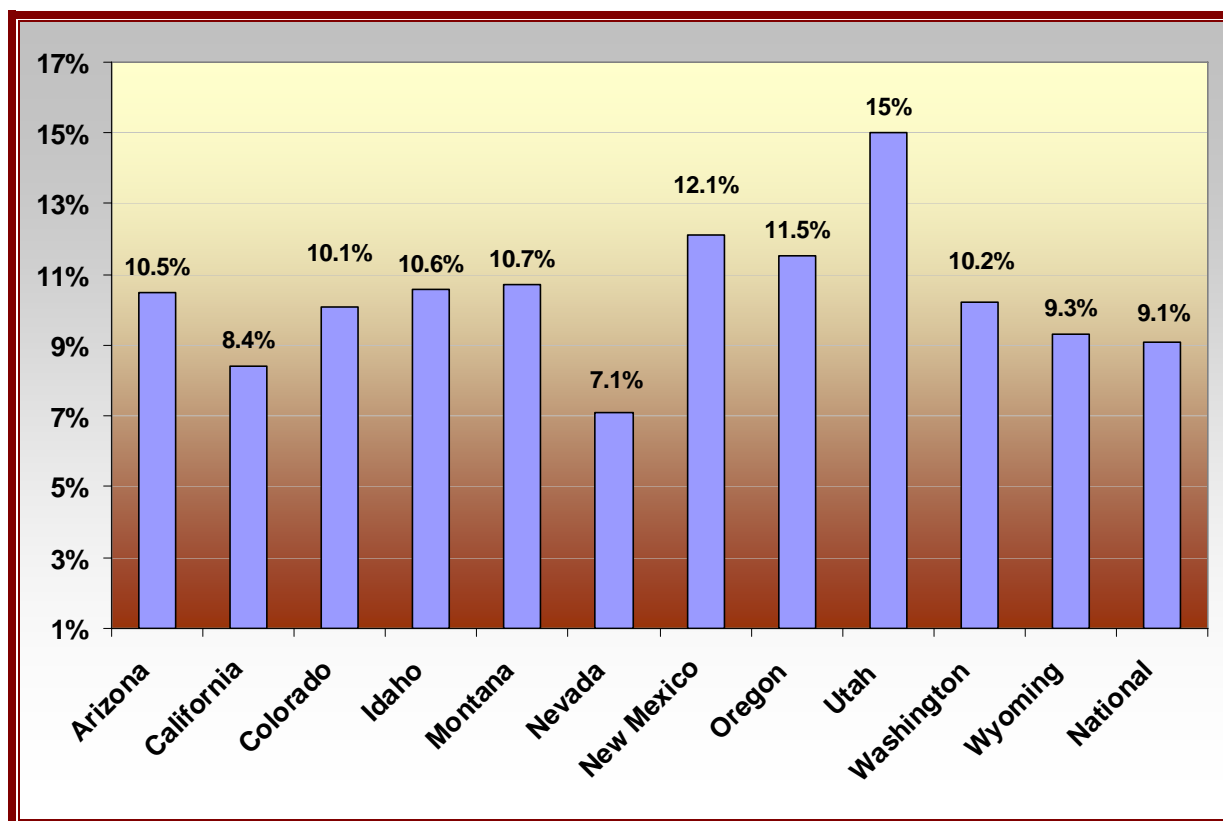


**“I’m going to college to study fish.”**

Nevada Third Grade Student

## Expenditures

**Expenditures for Higher Education as a Percentage of  
All State and Local Government Expenditures  
Nevada and Western States  
2005**



**Source:** *State Rankings 2008: A Statistical View of America*, CQ Press's State Fact Find Series.



**“I plan to go to college to study math or history, and  
be a vet or a teacher.”**

Nevada Eighth Grade Student