Participants report aggregate data. The percent of each initial Fall cohort (based on the initial headcount) that returns each subsequent Fall or graduates is collected from the 2nd year through the 11th year.

The Fall cohorts for the past ten years are tracked.

Data are reported not only on the Total cohort of first-time full-time freshmen starting in the Fall, but also on the sub-cohorts by Gender and Race and Ethnicity groups as defined by IPEDS.