MEASURES OF STUDENT PROGRESS AND OUTCOMES: UNIVERSITY PARTICIPATION (2003-04 TO 2012-13)

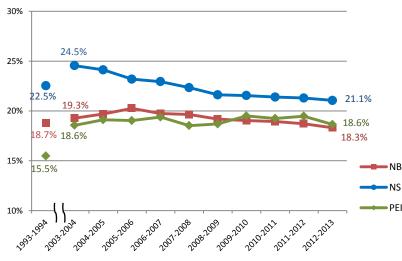
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Home Province Participation

Over the past 10 years, home province participation rates have been weakening in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, while remaining relatively stable in Prince Edward Island.

- In New Brunswick, home province participation was the highest in 2005-06, reaching 20.3%. Between 2005-06 and 2012-13, it steadily declined to 18.3%, decreasing by two percentage points over 7 years.
- In Nova Scotia, home province participation peaked in 2002-03 at 24.6% (data point not shown), and has since declined more than three percentage points to 21.1% reaching the lowest point in the last 20 years. Despite the biggest decline among the three Maritime provinces, home province participation rates in Nova Scotia remain higher than in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island.
- In Prince Edward Island, home province participation has remained relatively stable for the past 10 years fluctuating around 19± 0.5%, and significantly higher than it was throughout 1990's.

Figure 1: Number of students enrolled full-time in their home province divided by the provincial population aged 18-24 (ref: Table 1).



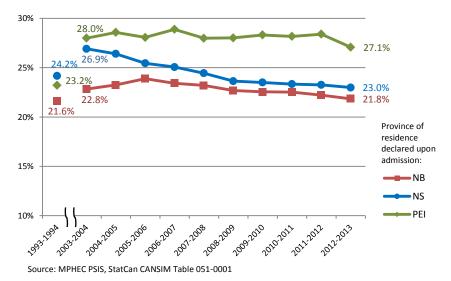
Source: MPHEC PSIS, StatCan CANSIM Table 051-0001

Maritime Participation of Residents

The trends in participation of provincial residents at universities anywhere in the region vary by province.

- Maritime participation trends among New Brunswick and Nova Scotia residents closely follow their respective home province participation trends, and both show a gradual decline since 2005-2006. New Brunswick residents are more likely to attend university outside their home province than Nova Scotia residents. The gap in university participation within the Maritimes between the two provinces has been hovering around one percentage point in recent years, compared to four percentage points ten years ago.
- Prince Edward Island residents consistently show the highest level of university participation within the Maritimes: during the past 10 years, approximately 28±0.9% of Islanders aged 18-24 were enrolled in a university within the region dropping to 27.1% by 2012-13. Twenty years ago, it stood four percentage points lower, at 23.2%.

Figure 2: Number of provincial residents enrolled full-time in any Maritime university divided by the provincial population aged 18-24 (ref: Table 2).

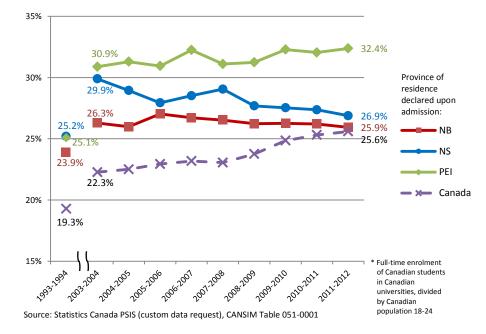


National Participation of Maritimers

Historically, residents (aged 18-24) of all three Maritime provinces recorded university participation rates well above the national rate. However, the university participation rate for Canada as a whole has been steadily increasing, and the gap between the national rate and New Brunswick's and Nova Scotia's residents has narrowed considerably.

- In New Brunswick, home province participation declined by 1.6 percentage points between 2005-2006 and 2011-2012, whereas participation nationally declined by 1.1 percentage points.
- In Nova Scotia, home province participation declined steadily between 2003-2004 and 2011-2012 (down 3.2 percentage points), whereas national participation of NS residents declined by 3.0 percentage point.
- In Prince Edward Island, home province participation increased by 0.9 percentage points between 2003-2004 and 2011-2012, whereas national participation increased by 1.5 percentage points.

Figure 3: Number of provincial residents enrolled full-time in a Canadian university divided by the provincial population aged 18-24 (ref: Table 3).

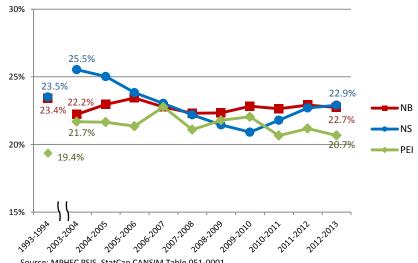


Home Province Participation by Age Cohort (18-19 year olds)

Home province participation rates among 18-19 year olds (i.e., recent high school graduates) show a different dynamic from the general home province participation:

- In Nova Scotia, home province participation among 18-19 year olds peaked in 2002-2003 at 25.7% (data point not shown), followed by a decline to 20.9% in 2009-2010 - the lowest point since 1990. In the two years that follow, home province participation among 18-19 year old Nova Scotians began to recover, although the recovery may be leveling off in 2012-2013.
- In New Brunswick, home province participation in this age group has remained largely stable over the past 10 years, fluctuating around 22.5%. It peaked in 2005-2006, reaching 23.4%, and then declined slightly in the following two years. Unlike in Nova Scotia, this potential downward trend stopped in 2007-2008, followed by several years of stable demand.
- In Prince Edward Island, home province participation among 18-19 year olds shows a slight downward trend, decreasing by 1 percentage point over 10 years. However, the population of 18-19 year olds in PEI is relatively small, and the observed fluctuations in participation rates may be partially attributed to the low sample size.

Figure 4: Number of 18-19 year old students enrolled full-time in their home province divided by the provincial population aged 18-19 (ref: Table 6).



Source: MPHEC PSIS, StatCan CANSIM Table 051-0001

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TABLE 1: HOME PROVINCE PARTICIPATION

Number of students enrolled full-time in their home province divided by the provincial population aged 18-24.

What this Measure tells us: This definition provides one measure of the extent to which a province's typical university-aged population engages in university education within their own province. The numerator includes all full-time students from the province. This is to enable comparisons with the National Participation of Maritimers, where age group is not universally available for the source used for the Canadian statistics.

| | N | ew Brunswicl | ¢ | | Nova Scotia | a | Prince Edward Island | | | |
|---------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| | Full-Time Home Province Enrolment | Population 18-24 | Home Province Participation Rate | Full-Time Home Province Enrolment | Population 18-24 | Home Province Participation Rate | Full-Time Home Province Enrolment | Population 18-24 | Home Province Participation Rate | |
| 1993-94 | 15029 | 80159 | 18.7% | 21508 | 95474 | 22.5% | 2105 | 13605 | 15.5% | |
| 2003-04 | 13550 | 70307 | 19.3% | 21462 | 87437 | 24.5% | 2463 | 13271 | 18.6% | |
| 2004-05 | 13807 | 70124 | 19.7% | 21211 | 87923 | 24.1% | 2572 | 13460 | 19.1% | |
| 2005-06 | 13923 | 68712 | 20.3% | 20274 | 87433 | 23.2% | 2549 | 13391 | 19.0% | |
| 2006-07 | 13306 | 67400 | 19.7% | 19910 | 86795 | 22.9% | 2542 | 13111 | 19.4% | |
| 2007-08 | 13080 | 66562 | 19.7% | 19280 | 86300 | 22.3% | 2411 | 13012 | 18.5% | |
| 2008-09 | 12740 | 66423 | 19.2% | 18736 | 86660 | 21.6% | 2435 | 13024 | 18.7% | |
| 2009-10 | 12668 | 66528 | 19.0% | 18850 | 87481 | 21.5% | 2566 | 13158 | 19.5% | |
| 2010-11 | 12648 | 66762 | 18.9% | 18875 | 88228 | 21.4% | 2581 | 13408 | 19.2% | |
| 2011-12 | 12510 | 66862 | 18.7% | 18867 | 88587 | 21.3% | 2629 | 13503 | 19.5% | |
| 2012-13 | 12204 | 66649 | 18.3% | 18649 | 88575 | 21.1% | 2555 | 13700 | 18.6% | |

TABLE 2: MARITIME PARTICIPATION OF RESIDENTS

Number of provincial residents enrolled full-time in any Maritime university divided by the provincial population aged 18-24.

What this Measure tells us: This definition provides the regional picture of the extent to which a provincial population accesses university education and the extent of its intra-regional mobility, as it encompasses the enrolment of provincial residents in all Maritime universities. Certain sub-populations may be more likely to seek education outside their province, such as for programs unavailable in their province, or French-language instruction. The numerator in this definition includes all full-time students. This is to enable comparisons with the National Participation of Maritimers, where age group is not universally available for the source used for the Canadian statistics.

| | New Bru | Inswick Res | idents | Nova S | Scotia Resid | lents | Prince E | dward Island | d Residents |
|---------|---|---------------------|---|---|---------------------|---|---|---------------------|---|
| | Full-Time Enrolment NB residents in Maritime universities | Population 18-24 | Maritime Participation Rate of Residents | Full-Time Enrolment NS residents in Maritime universities | Population 18-24 | Maritime Participation Rate of Residents | Full Time Enrolment PE residents in Maritime universities | Population 18-24 | Maritime Participation Rate of Residents |
| 1993-94 | 17341 | 80159 | 21.6% | 23082 | 95474 | 24.2% | 3158 | 13605 | 23.2% |
| 2003-04 | 16049 | 70307 | 22.8% | 23537 | 87437 | 26.9% | 3715 | 13271 | 28.0% |
| 2004-05 | 16312 | 70124 | 23.3% | 23216 | 87923 | 26.4% | 3847 | 13460 | 28.6% |
| 2005-06 | 16410 | 68712 | 23.9% | 22253 | 87433 | 25.5% | 3759 | 13391 | 28.1% |
| 2006-07 | 15788 | 67400 | 23.4% | 21759 | 86795 | 25.1% | 3788 | 13111 | 28.9% |
| 2007-08 | 15446 | 66562 | 23.2% | 21098 | 86300 | 24.4% | 3642 | 13012 | 28.0% |
| 2008-09 | 15071 | 66423 | 22.7% | 20487 | 86660 | 23.6% | 3649 | 13024 | 28.0% |
| 2009-10 | 15003 | 66528 | 22.6% | 20558 | 87481 | 23.5% | 3727 | 13158 | 28.3% |
| 2010-11 | 15034 | 66762 | 22.5% | 20590 | 88228 | 23.3% | 3778 | 13408 | 28.2% |
| 2011-12 | 14856 | 66862 | 22.2% | 20605 | 88587 | 23.3% | 3835 | 13503 | 28.4% |
| 2012-13 | 14562 | 66649 | 21.8% | 20362 | 88575 | 23.0% | 3710 | 13700 | 27.1% |

TABLE 3: NATIONAL PARTICIPATION OF MARITIMERS

Number of provincial residents enrolled full-time in a Canadian university divided by the provincial population aged 18-24.

What this Measure tells us: This definition provides the most student-centered measure of participation as it encompasses enrolment of provincial residents in all Canadian universities. This measure, which illustrates the tendency of a province's typical university-aged residents to engage in university education, is the best measure to describe the demand for / access to university education by the population in question as it eliminates any limits imposed by the choices available in the home province or region. The numerator in this definition includes all full-time students, not just the 18-24 cohort as this age group is not universally available for the sources used for the Canadian statistics.

| | New Bru | inswick Resi | dents | Nova | Scotia Reside | ents | Prince Edw | ard Island R | esidents | Can | adian Resid | ents |
|---------|--|---------------------|--|--|---------------------|--|--|---------------------|--|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | Full-Time Enrolment of NB Residents in Canadian Universities | Population 18-24 | National Participation Rate of NB Residents | Full-Time Enrolment of NS Residents in Canadian Universities | Population 18-24 | National Participation Rate of NS Residents | Full-Time Enrolment of PE Residents in Canadian Universities | Population 18-24 | National Participation Rate of PE Residents | Full-Time Enrolment of Canadian Students in Canadian Universities | Canada Population 18-24 | National Participation Rate |
| 1993-94 | 19158 | 80159 | 23.9% | 24057 | 95474 | 25.2% | 3414 | 13605 | 25.1% | 544500 | 2821462 | 19.3% |
| 2003-04 | 18483 | 70307 | 26.3% | 26139 | 87437 | 29.9% | 4098 | 13271 | 30.9% | 679422 | 3050114 | 22.3% |
| 2004-05 | 18225 | 70124 | 26.0% | 25443 | 87923 | 28.9% | 4212 | 13460 | 31.3% | 694716 | 3086837 | 22.5% |
| 2005-06 | 18570 | 68712 | 27.0% | 24426 | 87433 | 27.9% | 4143 | 13391 | 30.9% | 712083 | 3104218 | 22.9% |
| 2006-07 | 18009 | 67400 | 26.7% | 24750 | 86795 | 28.5% | 4227 | 13111 | 32.2% | 723006 | 3118820 | 23.2% |
| 2007-08 | 17655 | 66562 | 26.5% | 25071 | 86300 | 29.1% | 4047 | 13012 | 31.1% | 725085 | 3144484 | 23.1% |
| 2008-09 | 17421 | 66423 | 26.2% | 23991 | 86660 | 27.7% | 4068 | 13024 | 31.2% | 755463 | 3180582 | 23.8% |
| 2009-10 | 17472 | 66528 | 26.3% | 24084 | 87481 | 27.5% | 4248 | 13158 | 32.3% | 800166 | 3219355 | 24.9% |
| 2010-11 | 17493 | 66762 | 26.2% | 24147 | 88228 | 27.4% | 4296 | 13408 | 32.0% | 823077 | 3252235 | 25.3% |
| 2011-12 | 17343 | 66862 | 25.9% | 23817 | 88587 | 26.9% | 4371 | 13503 | 32.4% | 839592 | 3279835 | 25.6% |

Source: Enrolment data: Statistics Canada PSIS 1993-94 to 2011-12; Population data: Statistics Canada CANSIM Table 051-0001.

TABLE 4: HOME PROVINCE 18-24 PARTICIPATION

Number of students aged 18-24 enrolled full-time in their home province divided by the provincial population aged 18-24.

What this Measure tells us: This measure provides insight into the demand for education in a province's universities by its typical university-aged population. This definition includes only full-time students aged 18-24 (as of December 31st) enrolled in their home province in the numerator.

| | | New Brun | swick | | Nova Sco | tia | Prince Edward Island | | | |
|-----------------|---|---------------------|---|---|---------------------|---|---|---------------------|---|--|
| | Full-Time 18-24 Home Province Enrolment | Population 18-24 | Home Province 18-24 Participation Rate | Full-Time 18-24 Home Province Enrolment | Population 18-24 | Home Province 18-24 Participation Rate | Full-Time 18-24 Home Province Enrolment | Population 18-24 | Home Province 18-24 Participation Rate | |
| 1993-94 | 12844 | 80159 | 16.0% | 17238 | 95474 | 18.1% | 1811 | 13605 | 13.3% | |
| 2003-04 | 11295 | 70307 | 16.1% | 17445 | 87437 | 20.0% | 2104 | 13271 | 15.9% | |
| 2004-05 | 11489 | 70124 | 16.4% | 17225 | 87923 | 19.6% | 2197 | 13460 | 16.3% | |
| 2005-06 | 11581 | 68712 | 16.9% | 16506 | 87433 | 18.9% | 2143 | 13391 | 16.0% | |
| 2006-07 | 11122 | 67400 | 16.5% | 16154 | 86795 | 18.6% | 2147 | 13111 | 16.4% | |
| 2007-08 | 10917 | 66562 | 16.4% | 15620 | 86300 | 18.1% | 2023 | 13012 | 15.5% | |
| 2008-09 | 10700 | 66423 | 16.1% | 15136 | 86660 | 17.5% | 2066 | 13024 | 15.9% | |
| 2009-10 | 10673 | 66528 | 16.0% | 15175 | 87481 | 17.3% | 2130 | 13158 | 16.2% | |
| 2010-11 | 10655 | 66762 | 16.0% | 15132 | 88228 | 17.2% | 2150 | 13408 | 16.0% | |
| 2011-12 | 10639 | 66862 | 15.9% | 15158 | 88587 | 17.1% | 2146 | 13503 | 15.9% | |
| 2012- 13 | 10434 | 66649 | 15.7% | 14941 | 88575 | 16.9% | 2068 | 13700 | 15.1% | |

TABLE 5: HOME PROVINCE 18-24 PARTICIPATION BY GENDER

Number of students aged 18-24 enrolled full-time in their home province divided by the provincial population aged 18-24, by gender.

What this Measure tells us: This table shows the Home Province 18-24 Participation Rate, with an additional breakdown by gender. There have been considerable increases in female participation in universities since the early 1980s, and this has led to a gender ratio of 3:2 (female to male) in university enrolments in the Maritimes.

| | | | New B | runswick | | | | | Nova | Scotia | | | Prince Edward Island | | | | | |
|---------|--------|-------------------------------|--------|----------------|--------|--------------------------------|--|------|--------|--------|-------------------------------|------------|--|------|--------|------|---------------------------------|------------|
| | Home P | ne 18-24 Province Iment | | llation -24 | | Province tion Rate ender | Full-Time 18-24 Home Province Enrolment Province 18-24 | | | | Home P Participatio Gen | on Rate by | Full Time 18-24 Home Province Enrolment Population 18-24 | | | | Home Pr Participatio Gene | on Rate by |
| | Female | Male | Female | Male | Female | Male | Female | Male | Female | Male | Female | Male | Female | Male | Female | Male | Female | Male |
| 1993-94 | 7179 | 5665 | 39088 | 41071 | 18.4% | 13.8% | 9521 | 7717 | 46829 | 48645 | 20.3% | 15.9% | 1005 | 806 | 6619 | 6986 | 15.2% | 11.5% |
| 2003-04 | 6821 | 4474 | 34222 | 36085 | 19.9% | 12.4% | 10305 | 7140 | 43760 | 43677 | 23.5% | 16.3% | 1284 | 820 | 6595 | 6676 | 19.5% | 12.3% |
| 2004-05 | 6987 | 4502 | 34126 | 35998 | 20.5% | 12.5% | 10153 | 7072 | 43907 | 44016 | 23.1% | 16.1% | 1310 | 887 | 6667 | 6793 | 19.6% | 13.1% |
| 2005-06 | 7039 | 4542 | 33429 | 35283 | 21.1% | 12.9% | 9777 | 6728 | 43740 | 43693 | 22.4% | 15.4% | 1317 | 826 | 6676 | 6715 | 19.7% | 12.3% |
| 2006-07 | 6766 | 4355 | 32813 | 34587 | 20.6% | 12.6% | 9619 | 6521 | 43407 | 43388 | 22.2% | 15.0% | 1322 | 825 | 6566 | 6545 | 20.1% | 12.6% |
| 2007-08 | 6596 | 4321 | 32356 | 34206 | 20.4% | 12.6% | 9298 | 6303 | 42889 | 43411 | 21.7% | 14.5% | 1246 | 777 | 6479 | 6533 | 19.2% | 11.9% |
| 2008-09 | 6536 | 4161 | 32116 | 34307 | 20.4% | 12.1% | 9043 | 6062 | 42780 | 43880 | 21.1% | 13.8% | 1266 | 800 | 6475 | 6549 | 19.6% | 12.2% |
| 2009-10 | 6480 | 4193 | 32063 | 34465 | 20.2% | 12.2% | 9026 | 6118 | 43001 | 44480 | 21.0% | 13.8% | 1297 | 833 | 6539 | 6619 | 19.8% | 12.6% |
| 2010-11 | 6506 | 4149 | 32089 | 34673 | 20.3% | 12.0% | 9110 | 6020 | 42989 | 45239 | 21.2% | 13.3% | 1269 | 881 | 6653 | 6755 | 19.1% | 13.0% |
| 2011-12 | 6397 | 4242 | 32049 | 34813 | 20.0% | 12.2% | 9163 | 5989 | 42862 | 45725 | 21.4% | 13.1% | 1267 | 879 | 6713 | 6790 | 18.9% | 12.9% |
| 2012-13 | 6279 | 4155 | 32078 | 34571 | 19.6% | 12.0% | 9020 | 5916 | 42710 | 45865 | 21.1% | 12.9% | 1253 | 815 | 6791 | 6909 | 18.5% | 11.8% |

Source: MPHEC PSIS database; Statistics Canada CANSIM Table 051-0001. Students with gender 'Not Reported' have been excluded.

TABLE 6: HOME PROVINCE PARTICIPATION BY AGE COHORT

Number of students aged n years enrolled full-time in their home province divided by the provincial population aged n years, 2003-2004.

What this Measure tells us: This definition provides more detailed information on the participation of individual age cohorts. This definition includes only students enrolled in their home province, and zeroing in on this sub-population gives an accurate account of the extent to which universities are serving students in their province.

| | | 2003-2004 | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| | l | New Brunswick | | | Nova Scotia | | Prince Edward Island | | | | | |
| Age (n) | Full-Time Home Province Enrolment | Population | Home Province Participation Rate | Full-Time Home Province Enrolment | Population | Home Province Participation Rate | Full-Time Home Province Enrolment | Population | Home Province Participation Rate | | | |
| 17 | 22 | 10018 | 0.2% | 50 | 12658 | 0.4% | 25 | 2131 | 1.2% | | | |
| 18 | 2343 | 10148 | 23.1% | 2951 | 12787 | 23.1% | 460 | 2091 | 22.0% | | | |
| 19 | 2202 | 10304 | 21.4% | 3625 | 12974 | 27.9% | 423 | 1981 | 21.4% | | | |
| 20 | 2052 | 10308 | 19.9% | 3327 | 12719 | 26.2% | 376 | 1975 | 19.0% | | | |
| 21 | 1981 | 10135 | 19.5% | 3001 | 12400 | 24.2% | 345 | 1923 | 17.9% | | | |
| 22 | 1302 | 10151 | 12.8% | 2166 | 12432 | 17.4% | 234 | 1838 | 12.7% | | | |
| 23 | 848 | 9880 | 8.6% | 1359 | 12342 | 11.0% | 165 | 1725 | 9.6% | | | |
| 24 | 567 | 9381 | 6.0% | 1016 | 11783 | 8.6% | 101 | 1738 | 5.8% | | | |
| 25 | 336 | 9358 | 3.6% | 633 | 11330 | 5.6% | 58 | 1608 | 3.6% | | | |
| 26 | 286 | 9689 | 3.0% | 510 | 11340 | 4.5% | 54 | 1558 | 3.5% | | | |
| 27 | 232 | 9527 | 2.4% | 424 | 11467 | 3.7% | 31 | 1547 | 2.0% | | | |
| 28 | 165 | 9504 | 1.7% | 312 | 11451 | 2.7% | 24 | 1595 | 1.5% | | | |
| 29 | 130 | 9620 | 1.4% | 255 | 11456 | 2.2% | 24 | 1672 | 1.4% | | | |

TABLE 6: HOME PROVINCE PARTICIPATION BY AGE COHORT (CONTINUED)

Number of students aged n years enrolled full-time in their home province divided by the provincial population aged n years, 2012-2013.

| | | | | | 2012-2013 | | | | | |
|-----|--------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| | l | New Brunswic | k | | Nova Scotia | | Prince Edward Island | | | |
| Age | Full-Time Home Province Enrolment | Population | Home Province Participation Rate | Full-Time Home Province Enrolment | Population | Home Province Participation Rate | Full-Time Home Province Enrolment | Population | Home Province Participation Rate | |
| 17 | 26 | 9044 | 0.3% | 42 | 11273 | 0.4% | 18 | 1944 | 0.9% | |
| 18 | 2216 | 9382 | 23.6% | 2377 | 11695 | 20.3% | 421 | 1936 | 21.7% | |
| 19 | 2110 | 9648 | 21.9% | 3101 | 12225 | 25.4% | 387 | 1974 | 19.6% | |
| 20 | 1877 | 9677 | 19.4% | 2761 | 12593 | 21.9% | 389 | 2071 | 18.8% | |
| 21 | 1940 | 9910 | 19.6% | 2606 | 13463 | 19.4% | 365 | 2092 | 17.4% | |
| 22 | 1245 | 9752 | 12.8% | 1927 | 13493 | 14.3% | 255 | 2047 | 12.5% | |
| 23 | 620 | 9278 | 6.7% | 1315 | 12926 | 10.2% | 157 | 1877 | 8.4% | |
| 24 | 426 | 9002 | 4.7% | 854 | 12180 | 7.0% | 94 | 1703 | 5.5% | |
| 25 | 301 | 8852 | 3.4% | 644 | 11993 | 5.4% | 73 | 1719 | 4.2% | |
| 26 | 222 | 8910 | 2.5% | 491 | 11708 | 4.2% | 57 | 1625 | 3.5% | |
| 27 | 166 | 8882 | 1.9% | 386 | 11526 | 3.3% | 42 | 1576 | 2.7% | |
| 28 | 119 | 9015 | 1.3% | 278 | 11300 | 2.5% | 32 | 1574 | 2.0% | |
| 29 | 123 | 9259 | 1.3% | 227 | 11341 | 2.0% | 30 | 1558 | 1.9% | |

TABLE 7: DIRECT ENTRY RATE OF RESIDENT HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Number of *first-year direct entry* (determined by proxy: age \leq 18 years as of Dec. 31st) *full-time students in year n* divided by the number of high school graduates aged 18 or less in year *n*-1.

What this Measure tells us: This measure illustrates the rate of home province enrolment direct from high school, which is the traditional source of new recruitment for institutions. It is this group that is affected by the predicted demographic declines. This definition uses a proxy (age \leq 18 years as of Dec. 31st) to designate first-year, direct (from high school) entry students.

| | | New Brunswick | | | Nova Scotia | | Prince Edward Island | | | |
|---------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|
| | First-year Direct Entry of NB Residents | High School Graduates Previous Year | Direct Entry Rate of Resident HS Students | First-year Direct Entry of NS Residents | High School Graduates Previous Year | Direct Entry Rate of Resident HS Students | First-year Direct Entry of PE Residents | High School Graduates Previous Year | Direct Entry Rate of Resident HS Students | |
| 2003-04 | 2365 | 8292 | 28.5% | 3001 | 10350 | 29.0% | 485 | 1752 | 27.7% | |
| 2004-05 | 2360 | 7995 | 29.5% | 2827 | 10446 | 27.1% | 471 | 1734 | 27.2% | |
| 2005-06 | 2344 | 8199 | 28.6% | 2718 | 10362 | 26.2% | 471 | 1695 | 27.8% | |
| 2006-07 | 2212 | 8301 | 26.6% | 2611 | 10242 | 25.5% | 471 | 1734 | 27.2% | |
| 2007-08 | 2249 | 7977 | 28.2% | 2556 | 10371 | 24.6% | 467 | 1746 | 26.7% | |
| 2008-09 | 2328 | 8028 | 29.0% | 2543 | 10500 | 24.2% | 485 | 1773 | 27.4% | |
| 2009-10 | 2360 | 8094 | 29.2% | 2448 | 10239 | 23.9% | 467 | 1764 | 26.5% | |
| 2010-11 | 2246 | 8250 | 27.2% | 2493 | 10161 | 24.5% | 474 | 1740 | 27.2% | |
| 2011-12 | 2280 | 7851 | 29.0% | 2554 | 10101 | 25.3% | 453 | 1728 | 26.2% | |
| 2012-13 | 2242 | 7797 | 28.8% | 2419 | 9789 | 24.7% | 439 | 1644 | 26.7% | |

Source: Enrolments: MPHEC PSIS database; High school graduates: Statistics Canada CANSIM Table 477-0026 Number of public school graduates in regular programs for youth, by age group and sex, Canada, provinces and territories.

TABLE 8: OVERALL PARTICIPATION

Number of students enrolled full-time in a province, divided by the provincial population aged 18-24.

What this Measure tells us: This definition measures general student activity as a proportion of the typical university student-aged population in the province. It has been published historically by the Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission (MPHEC) to enable comparison with Statistics Canada's historical definition. This definition includes all full-time students enrolled regardless of age or geographic origin; because substantial proportions of students come from outside the region to study, the definition is not an accurate measure of the extent to which a province's universities are accessed by its typical student-aged population, and should therefore be used with caution.

| | N | lew Brunswic | k | | Nova Scotia | | Pr | ince Edward Is | land | | Canada | |
|---------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| | Full-Time Enrolment | Population 18-24 | Overall Participation Rate |
| 1993-94 | 19364 | 80159 | 24.2% | 30888 | 95474 | 32.4% | 2691 | 13605 | 19.8% | 574320 | 2821462 | 20.4% |
| 2003-04 | 20053 | 70307 | 28.5% | 35662 | 87437 | 40.8% | 3246 | 13271 | 24.5% | 738,150 | 3050114 | 24.2% |
| 2004-05 | 20141 | 70124 | 28.7% | 36074 | 87923 | 41.0% | 3382 | 13460 | 25.1% | 759030 | 3086837 | 24.6% |
| 2005-06 | 20083 | 68712 | 29.2% | 35550 | 87433 | 40.7% | 3368 | 13391 | 25.2% | 780414 | 3104218 | 25.1% |
| 2006-07 | 19201 | 67400 | 28.5% | 34800 | 86795 | 40.1% | 3374 | 13111 | 25.7% | 792630 | 3118820 | 25.4% |
| 2007-08 | 18657 | 66562 | 28.0% | 33599 | 86300 | 38.9% | 3251 | 13012 | 25.0% | 796314 | 3144484 | 25.3% |
| 2008-09 | 18122 | 66423 | 27.3% | 33273 | 86660 | 38.4% | 3371 | 13024 | 25.9% | 829386 | 3180582 | 26.1% |
| 2009-10 | 18045 | 66528 | 27.1% | 34078 | 87481 | 39.0% | 3543 | 13158 | 26.9% | 882546 | 3219355 | 27.4% |
| 2010-11 | 18171 | 66762 | 27.2% | 35207 | 88228 | 39.9% | 3676 | 13408 | 27.4% | 912309 | 3252235 | 28.1% |
| 2011-12 | 18367 | 66862 | 27.5% | 36098 | 88587 | 40.7% | 3761 | 13503 | 27.9% | 938718 | 3279835 | 28.6% |
| 2012-13 | 18311 | 66649 | 27.5% | 36616 | 88575 | 41.3% | 3741 | 13700 | 27.3% | n/a | 3330039 | n/a |

Source: Maritime enrolment data: MPHEC PSIS database; Canada enrolment data: Statistics Canada CANSIM Table 477-0019; Population data: Statistics Canada CANSIM Table 051-0001 (population estimates updated in November 2013).

TABLE 9: HOME PROVINCE FULL AND PART-TIME PARTICIPATION

Number of students enrolled full or part-time in their home province divided by the provincial population aged 18-24.

What this Measure tells us: This definition can provide insight into the extent a province's universities are accessed by the typical university aged population. This definition is different from the Home Province Participation Rate, however, in that it includes students enrolled either full or part-time in their home province. While most participation rates in the literature focus on full-time enrolments, this measure widens the scope to include part-time students as well.

| | N | lew Brunswi | ck | | Nova Scotia | | Prince Edward Island | | | |
|---------|---|---------------------|---|--|---------------------|---|--|---------------------|---|--|
| | Full-Time or Part- Time Home Province Enrolment | Population 18-24 | Full-Time or Part-Time Home Province Participation Rate | Full-Time or Part-Time Home Province Enrolment | Population 18-24 | Full-Time or Part-Time Home Province Participation Rate | Full-Time or Part-Time Home Province Enrolment | Population 18-24 | Full-Time or Part-Time Home Province Participation Rate | |
| 1993-94 | 20235 | 80159 | 25.2% | 28809 | 95474 | 30.2% | 2854 | 13605 | 21.0% | |
| 2003-04 | 17492 | 70307 | 24.9% | 27430 | 87437 | 31.4% | 2994 | 13271 | 22.6% | |
| 2004-05 | 17419 | 70124 | 24.8% | 26855 | 87923 | 30.5% | 3112 | 13460 | 23.1% | |
| 2005-06 | 17521 | 68712 | 25.5% | 25615 | 87433 | 29.3% | 3010 | 13391 | 22.5% | |
| 2006-07 | 16711 | 67400 | 24.8% | 25260 | 86795 | 29.1% | 3098 | 13111 | 23.6% | |
| 2007-08 | 16431 | 66562 | 24.7% | 24470 | 86300 | 28.4% | 2978 | 13012 | 22.9% | |
| 2008-09 | 16019 | 66423 | 24.1% | 23822 | 86660 | 27.5% | 3060 | 13024 | 23.5% | |
| 2009-10 | 15969 | 66528 | 24.0% | 23907 | 87481 | 27.3% | 3115 | 13158 | 23.7% | |
| 2010-11 | 15793 | 66762 | 23.7% | 23579 | 88228 | 26.7% | 3175 | 13408 | 23.7% | |
| 2011-12 | 15559 | 66862 | 23.3% | 23364 | 88587 | 26.4% | 3243 | 13503 | 24.0% | |
| 2012-13 | 15016 | 66649 | 22.5% | 22942 | 88575 | 25.9% | 3082 | 13700 | 22.5% | |

TABLE 10: MARITIME FULL AND PART-TIME PARTICIPATION OF RESIDENTS

Number of provincial residents enrolled full or part-time in a Maritime university divided by the provincial population aged 18-24.

What this Measure tells us: Like the Maritime Participation of Residents definition on which this is based, this definition provides the regional picture of the extent university education is accessed by a provincial population and the extent of its intra-regional mobility, as it encompasses the enrolment of provincial residents in all Maritime universities. Certain subpopulations may be more likely to seek education outside their province, such as for programs unavailable in their province, or French-language instruction. Because both full and part-time students are included and because part-time students are more likely to be older (than 24), more students are added to the numerator which are outside the range of the denominator. Therefore, the rates are higher than in the Maritime Participation of Residents definition.

| | 1 | New Brunsw | ick | | Nova Scotia | a | Prince Edward Island | | | |
|---------|--|---------------------|--|--|---------------------|--|---|---------------------|--|--|
| | Full-Time or Part- Time enrolment of NB Resident in Maritime Universities | Population 18-24 | Maritime Full-Time and Part-Time Participation Rate of Residents | Full-Time or Part- Time enrolment of NS Resident in Maritime Universities | Population 18-24 | Maritime Full-Time and Part-Time Participation Rate of Residents | Full-Time or Part- Time enrolment of PEI Resident in Maritime Universities | Population 18-24 | Maritime Full-Time and Part-Time Participation Rate of Residents | |
| 1993-94 | 22694 | 80159 | 28.3% | 30490 | 95474 | 31.9% | 4086 | 13605 | 30.0% | |
| 2003-04 | 20256 | 70307 | 28.8% | 29618 | 87437 | 33.9% | 4475 | 13271 | 33.7% | |
| 2004-05 | 20192 | 70124 | 28.8% | 28980 | 87923 | 33.0% | 4613 | 13460 | 34.3% | |
| 2005-06 | 20308 | 68712 | 29.6% | 27759 | 87433 | 31.7% | 4475 | 13391 | 33.4% | |
| 2006-07 | 19503 | 67400 | 28.9% | 27281 | 86795 | 31.4% | 4569 | 13111 | 34.8% | |
| 2007-08 | 19066 | 66562 | 28.6% | 26438 | 86300 | 30.6% | 4415 | 13012 | 33.9% | |
| 2008-09 | 18670 | 66423 | 28.1% | 25739 | 86660 | 29.7% | 4467 | 13024 | 34.3% | |
| 2009-10 | 18581 | 66528 | 27.9% | 25804 | 87481 | 29.5% | 4487 | 13158 | 34.1% | |
| 2010-11 | 18460 | 66762 | 27.7% | 25479 | 88228 | 28.9% | 4565 | 13408 | 34.0% | |
| 2011-12 | 18180 | 66862 | 27.2% | 25268 | 88587 | 28.5% | 4683 | 13503 | 34.7% | |
| 2012-13 | 17685 | 66649 | 26.5% | 24799 | 88575 | 28.0% | 4491 | 13700 | 32.8% | |

TABLE 11: OVERALL FULL AND PART-TIME PARTICIPATION

Number of students enrolled full or part-time divided by the provincial population aged 18-24.

What this Measure tells us: This measure is based on the Overall Participation Rate; the difference is that both full and part-time students are included in the numerator. The denominator, the population aged 18-24, remains the same. As with the Overall Participation Rate, this definition measures general student activity as a proportion of the typical university-aged student population in the province; with all full and part-time students included in the numerator, it is the most "generous' definition and thus records the highest participation rates. The same cautions noted for the Overall Participation Rate definition stand for this one: as the definition includes all students regardless of age or geographic origin, and substantial numbers come from outside the region to study, the definition is not an accurate measure of the extent to which a province's universities are serving its typical student-aged population.

| | New Brunswick | | | Nova Scotia | | | Prince Edward Island | | |
|---------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| | Full-Time and Part-Time enrolment | Population 18-24 | Overall Full Time and Part-Time Participation Rate | Full-Time and Part-Time enrolment | Population 18-24 | Overall Full Time and Part-Time Participation Rate | Full-Time and Part-Time enrolment | Population 18-24 | Overall Full Time and Part-Time Participation Rate |
| 1993-94 | 24918 | 80159 | 31.1% | 38900 | 95474 | 40.7% | 3467 | 13605 | 25.5% |
| 2003-04 | 24715 | 70307 | 35.2% | 44081 | 87437 | 50.4% | 3843 | 13271 | 29.0% |
| 2004-05 | 24552 | 70124 | 35.0% | 44347 | 87923 | 50.4% | 3992 | 13460 | 29.7% |
| 2005-06 | 24501 | 68712 | 35.7% | 43697 | 87433 | 50.0% | 3888 | 13391 | 29.0% |
| 2006-07 | 23353 | 67400 | 34.6% | 42816 | 86795 | 49.3% | 4008 | 13111 | 30.6% |
| 2007-08 | 22825 | 66562 | 34.3% | 41470 | 86300 | 48.1% | 3921 | 13012 | 30.1% |
| 2008-09 | 22231 | 66423 | 33.5% | 41303 | 86660 | 47.7% | 4131 | 13024 | 31.7% |
| 2009-10 | 22226 | 66528 | 33.4% | 42060 | 87481 | 48.1% | 4232 | 13158 | 32.2% |
| 2010-11 | 22255 | 66762 | 33.3% | 42897 | 88228 | 48.6% | 4415 | 13408 | 32.9% |
| 2011-12 | 22246 | 66862 | 33.3% | 43582 | 88587 | 49.2% | 4500 | 13503 | 33.3% |
| 2012-13 | 21981 | 66649 | 33.0% | 44073 | 88575 | 49.8% | 4385 | 13700 | 32.0% |