

2015-16 Adult Student Fact Book

Adult Learners | Data Highlights

from the Tennessee Higher Education Commission

11,014 TCAT
adult learners

24,773 community
college adult
learners

21,389 university adult
learner undergraduates

University number includes **4,218** adult
learner undergraduates in the **UT system**



57,176
adult learners
enrolled as
undergraduates
in public higher
education

11,486 undergraduate adult
learners at TICUA institutions,
accounting for **19.1%** of total
headcount
across the
institutions.



3%

of undergraduate
adult learners in
Fall 2015 were
coming into
public higher for
the first time.

97%

had previously
been enrolled
(either the prior
semester or
at some point
prior).



of TCAT
students are
adult learners



of community
college students
are adult
learners



of public
university
undergraduates
are adult learners

Most Popular Adult Student Undergraduate Major Fields



Liberal
Arts &
Sciences



Health
Profes-
sions &
Services



Business
Manage-
ment



Engineering



Protective
Services
& Public
Affairs

TCAT Enrollment by age group 2014-15



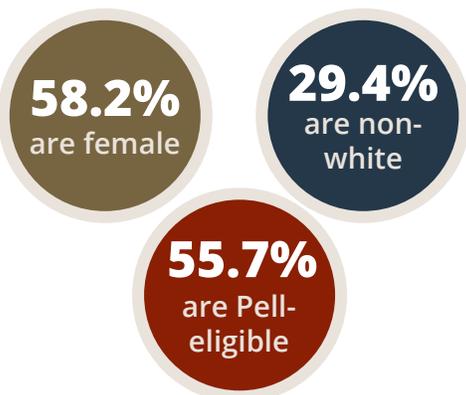
TENNESSEE COLLEGE
OF APPLIED TECHNOLOGY

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|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 26.4% Age 19 & below | 26.0% Age 20 - 24 | 23.8% Age 25 - 34 | 23.3% Age 35 - 64 | 0.5% Over Age 64 |
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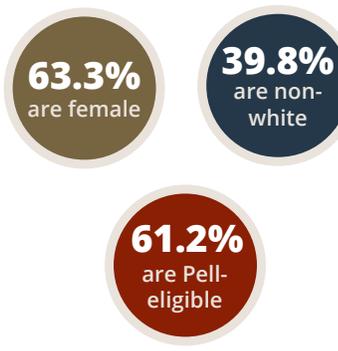
Institutions with Largest Enrollment of Adult Learners

| | Largest total adult learner headcount | Largest percentage of total undergraduate headcount |
|------------------------|---|---|
| TCATs | TCAT Livingston 1,283 | TCAT Livingston 58.3% |
| Community Colleges | Nashville State 4,623 | Nashville State 43.2% |
| Public Universities | MTSU 4,518 | Austin Peay 29.5% |
| TICUA Institutions | Bethel University 2,701 | Bethel University 56.2% |

Among adult undergraduates at public colleges and universities:



Among adult undergraduates at TICUA institutions:



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adult learners, visit www.tn.gov/thec



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