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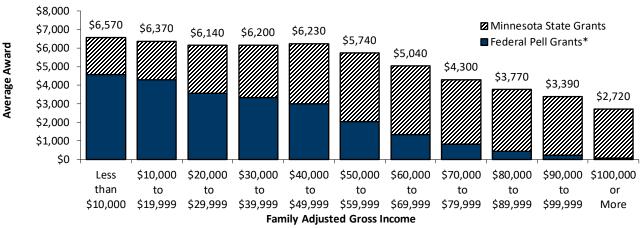
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### **Executive Summary**

The Minnesota State Grant program is a need-based financial aid program created to assist Minnesota resident undergraduates attending public and private postsecondary institutions in Minnesota. The program was established in 1969; and in fiscal year 2021, approximately 71,889 students were awarded grants, for a total of nearly \$201 million. The State Grant program is designed to provide choice and access to undergraduate students to attend the postsecondary institutions that best meet their needs. The State Grant program provides financial aid to students in conjunction with the Federal Pell Grant.

# Average Combined Federal Pell and Minnesota State Grant Award Received by State Grant Recipients, Fiscal Year 2021



<sup>\*</sup>Includes only Federal Pell Grants received by Minnesota State Grant recipients

#### **Report Highlights:**

- In fiscal year 2021, 57% of State Grant recipients had a family adjusted gross income of less than \$40,000.
- Most State Grant recipients attended a public university: 61% of recipients attended a Minnesota State College or University, 15% attended the University of Minnesota, and 24% attended a private college.
- In academic year 2019-2020, Minnesota ranked 18th in financial aid spending per full-time equivalent undergraduate among all states and U.S. territories<sup>1</sup>, according to the National Association of State Student Grant Aid Programs Annual Survey.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Full-time equivalent undergraduates are calculated by taking the sum of credits carried by all students at a particular level enrolled in classes, divided by the number of credits in a full-time load (15 credits). An FTE of 1.0 is equivalent to one full-time student.

### Introduction

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Since 1983, Minnesota State Grant policy has used the Design for Shared Responsibility model, a framework that was influenced by the work of the Carnegie Commission on Policy Studies in Higher Education. The goal of the program is established in Minnesota Statute 136A.095:

The legislature finds and declares that the identification of men and women of the state who are economically disadvantaged and the encouragement of their educational development in eligible institutions of their choosing are in the best interests of the state and of the students.

This policy statement provides a framework for Minnesota policymakers when considering changes to the State Grant program. The Design for Shared Responsibility model distributes the price of postsecondary education among students, families, and taxpayers, taking into account the student's family income, choice of institution, and enrollment level.

This report contains data on the number and dollar amounts of Minnesota state grants received by Minnesota undergraduate students for fiscal year 2021 (July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021). Given that state grants are awarded along with federal Pell grants, this report includes tables and graphs of combined Federal Pell and Minnesota State Grant awards received by Minnesota State Grant recipients, in addition to reporting on State Grant awards. The report also includes data on student characteristics that impact the calculation of State Grant awards: family adjusted gross income<sup>2</sup>, dependency status/family circumstances, institution choice, and registration credit load. State Grant award recipient demographics such as race/ethnicity and gender are also reported. All tables and charts in this report show the family adjusted gross income of Minnesota State Grant recipients as reported on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) from the parents' federal income tax return. For dependent students, the parents' adjusted gross income is used; for independent students, the student's (and spouse's, if married) adjusted gross income is used.

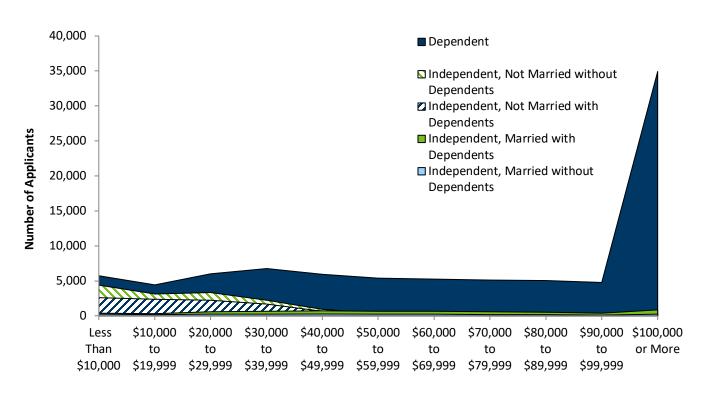
Information reported here is based on State Grant data available as of October 8, 2021. The totals may differ slightly from other documents published by the Minnesota Office of Higher Education made before or after this date.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Adjusted gross income is gross income minus certain deductions, such as health savings account deductions or retirement account contributions. Adjusted gross income is used to calculate federal taxable income.

### **Fiscal Year 2021 Applicants**

Students applying for financial aid complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or a state aid application. The form asks students and their parents to supply information regarding wages, income, assets, and household composition. This information is used in the federal need analysis formula called Federal Methodology, which determines the family's expected contribution toward college costs using the student's and parents' financial resources. The formula calculates an expected Parent Contribution (PC), an expected Student Contribution (SC) and an Expected Family Contribution (EFC). These calculations determine the student's eligibility for federal student aid and, in Minnesota, the student's eligibility for the Minnesota State Grant program.

Figure 1. Minnesota Undergraduate Applicants Eligible for a Minnesota State Grant, by Income and Family Type, Fiscal Year 2021



**Family Adjusted Gross Income** 

For fiscal year 2021 (academic year 2020-2021), 122,171 students completed the FAFSA or state aid application and met eligibility requirements outlined in state statute to receive a Minnesota state grant. These totals also include students meeting eligibility requirements under the Minnesota Dream Act. Nearly 75 percent of applicants were dependent students. The remaining 25 percent of applicants were independent students. As

shown in Figure 1, dependent student and married independent student applicants are distributed across all family adjusted gross incomes. Independent students who are unmarried display a smaller range of family adjusted gross incomes. Most unmarried independent students have family incomes of less than \$30,000.

#### **Income Profile of Applicants by Dependency Status**

Across all types of institutions, independent students had lower median family incomes (\$24,700) than dependent students (\$80,200). Independent students enrolled at the University of Minnesota had the lowest median family income (\$19,000) (Figure 2, Table 1). Dependent students enrolled in private for-profit institutions had lower median family incomes (\$43,300) compared to those enrolled in other sectors (Figure 2, Table 1).

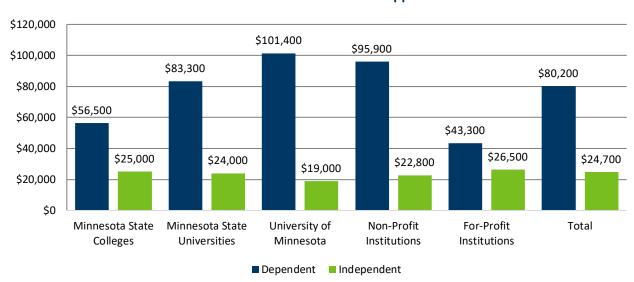


Figure 2. Median Family Adjusted Gross Income, by Sector Fiscal Year 2021 State Grant Applicants

Table 1. Median and Mean Family Adjusted Gross Income of State Grant Applicants, by Institution Sector and Dependency Status, Fiscal Year 2021

Sector	Student Type	Median Income	Mean Income	Count
Minnesota State Colleges	Dependent	\$56,500	\$69,600	28,128
Minnesota State Colleges	Independent	\$25,000	\$30,600	21,484
Minnesota State Colleges	Total	\$36,500	\$52,700	49,612
Minnesota State Universities	Dependent	\$83,300	\$94,300	17,325
Minnesota State Universities	Independent	\$24,000	\$33,000	3,877
Minnesota State Universities	Total	\$69,600	\$83,100	21,202
University of Minnesota	Dependent	\$101,400	\$121,100	21,362
University of Minnesota	Independent	\$19,000	\$27,500	1,317
University of Minnesota	Total	\$96,100	\$115,700	22,679

Sector	Student Type	Median Income	Mean Income	Count
Non-Profit Institutions	Dependent	\$95,900	\$122,200	21,306
Non-Profit Institutions	Independent	\$22,800	\$32,000	3,184
Non-Profit Institutions	Total	\$84,100	\$110,500	24,490
For-Profit Institutions	Dependent	\$43,300	\$53,800	1,151
For-Profit Institutions	Independent	\$26,500	\$31,500	3,037
For-Profit Institutions	Total	\$29,700	\$37,600	4,188
Total	Dependent	\$80,200	\$99,100	89,272
Total	Independent	\$24,700	\$31,000	32,899
Total	Total	\$57,300	\$80,700	122,171

#### **Enrollment Profile of Applicants by Income**

As family income increases, the percentage of students enrolled in public two-year institutions or private for-profit institutions declined while the percentage of students enrolled in private non-profit institutions and the University of Minnesota increased (Figure 3). The University of Minnesota had the highest median family adjusted gross income (\$96,100 among all students) among Minnesota postsecondary sectors (Table 1). Among 2021 applicants from families with incomes below \$20,000, 57 percent enrolled in a Minnesota State College. By comparison, nearly two-thirds of applicants from families with incomes of \$120,000 per year or more enrolled at the University of Minnesota or a private non-profit institution (Figure 3).

The State Grant program provides funds to lower- and middle-income students to attend the institution of their choosing. Nonetheless, this comparison highlights existing economic stratification in enrollment among Minnesota students.

\$120,000 or more 33% 18% 19% 31% \$100,000 to \$119,999 29% 24% 22% 24% Family Adjusted Gross Income \$80,000 to \$99,999 35% 21% 21% 21% \$60,000 to \$79,999 39% 20% 18% 20% \$40,000 to \$59,999 44% 17% 16% 18% 4% \$20,000 to \$39,999 55% 15% 11% 14% 6%

Minnesota State Universities

For-Profit Institutions

57%

Figure 3. Institution Choice of State Grant Applicants by Family Adjusted Gross Income, Fiscal Year 2021

14%

10%

University of Minnesota

13%

Less than \$20,000

■ Minnesota State Colleges

■ Non-Profit Institutions

6%

### **Fiscal Year 2021 Recipients**

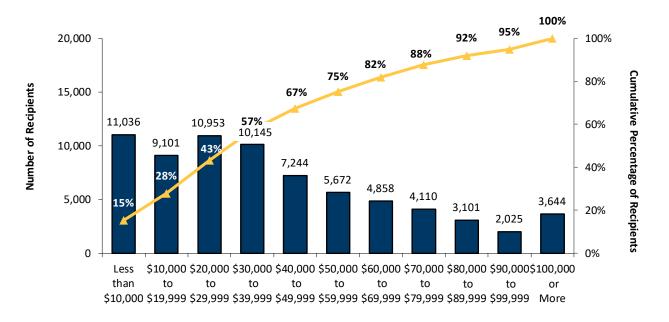
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Figure 4. Federal Pell and Minnesota State Grant Awards Received, by Family Adjusted Gross Income, Fiscal Year 2021

During fiscal year 2021, 71,889 students from the initial applicant pool received a state grant, with awards totaling approximately \$201 million. These totals include students eligible to receive the Minnesota State Grant by meeting eligibility requirements of the Minnesota Dream Act. Minnesota State Grant awards are determined solely by the student's financial need, with the highest-need students and families receiving a greater share of State Grant funding. Of the \$201 million in Minnesota state grants awarded in fiscal year 2021, roughly half of that total was awarded to students from families earning less than \$40,000 annually (Figure 4). These students represent nearly 60 percent of all State Grant recipients (Figure 5).

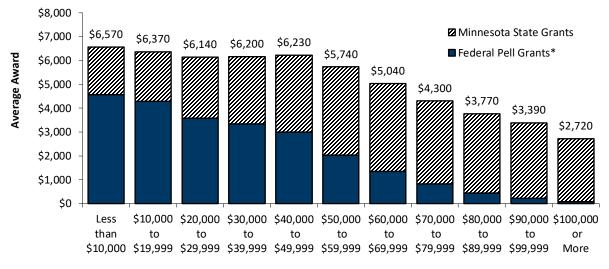
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Figure 5. Number and Cumulative Percentage of Minnesota State Grant Recipients,
Fiscal Year 2021



**Family Adjusted Gross Income** 

Figure 6. Average Combined Federal Pell and Minnesota State Grant Award Received, by Family Adjusted Gross Income, Fiscal Year 2021



**Family Adjusted Gross Income** 

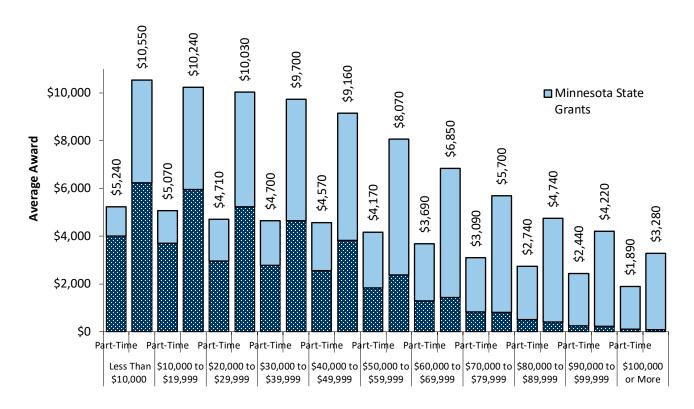
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Calculations for the Minnesota State Grant take into account the student's Federal Pell Grant award. Figure 8 shows the average combined award for the Federal Pell Grant and the Minnesota State Grant by income.

Students from families earning less than \$10,000 annually received the highest combined average award (\$6,570) (Figure 6).

Figure 7 displays the average combined award for the Federal Pell Grant and the Minnesota State Grant by income and full-time/part-time enrollment status. Full-time enrollment is defined as being enrolled for 30 credits or more for the academic year. As shown in Figure 7, students that attend full time receive higher average State Grants and higher average Federal Pell Grants compared to students that attend part time. This is because full-time students are typically charged a higher tuition rate than students attending less than full time, and the State Grant takes this additional educational cost into account when determining the award. Full-time students from families earning less than \$10,000 received the highest average combined award in 2021 (\$10,550) (Figure 7).

Figure 7. Average Combined Federal Pell and Minnesota State Grant Award Received by State Grant Recipients, by Full-Time/Part-Time Status, Fiscal Year 2021



**Family Adjusted Gross Income** 

<sup>\*</sup>Includes only Federal Pell Grants received by Minnesota State Grant recipients

### **Postsecondary Institution Choice**

A student's State Grant award is determined by calculating the total cost of attendance at the institutions chosen by the student. Institutions are grouped into five categories for this report:

- Minnesota State Colleges two-year colleges
- Minnesota State Universities four-year universities
- University of Minnesota System
- Minnesota private non-profit institutions
- Minnesota private for-profit institutions

Tribal colleges operated by entities other than Minnesota State Colleges and Universities are included in the "private non-profit" category for reporting purposes.

Table 2. Minnesota State Grant Receipt, by Type of Institution, Fiscal Year 2021

Programs of Two Years or Less

Type of Institution Attended	Number of Recipients	Combined Federal Pell and Minnesota State Grants (millions)	Minnesota State Grants (millions)
Minnesota State Colleges	30,969 (89%)	\$126.86	\$35.98 (87%)
Minnesota State Universities	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
University of Minnesota	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Minnesota Private Non-Profit Institutions	1,007 (3%)	\$5.35	\$1.72 (4%)
Minnesota Private For-Profit Institutions	2,897 (8%)	\$13.55	\$3.78 (9%)
Subtotal – Programs of 2 Years or Less	34,873 (49%)	\$145.77	\$41.48 (21%)

#### **Programs of Four Years**

Type of Institution Attended	Number of Recipients	Combined Federal Pell and Minnesota State Grants (millions)	Minnesota State Grants (millions)
Minnesota State Colleges	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Minnesota State Universities	12,564 (34%)	\$70.25	\$33.11 (21%)
University of Minnesota	11,135 (30%)	\$87.28	\$57.72 (36%)
Minnesota Private Non-Profit Institutions	12,795 (35%)	\$102.83	\$67.32 (42%)
Minnesota Private For-Profit Institutions	522 (1%)	\$2.43	\$0.97 (1%)
Subtotal – Programs of 4 Years	37,016 (51%)	\$262.80	\$159.12 (79%)
Total (All Programs)	71,889	\$408.56	\$200.60

The State Grant award calculation uses the average tuition and fees charged to undergraduate students at their institution or the tuition and fee maximums established in state law. Students with lower average tuition and fee charges receive smaller awards. As a result, lower-cost institutions receive a smaller percentage of total State Grant funds (e.g. Minnesota State Colleges). Students with higher-than-average tuition and fee charges receive larger State Grant awards, resulting in higher-cost intuitions receiving a greater percentage of total State Grant funds (e.g. University of Minnesota) (Table 2).

The maximum tuition and fees allowed for two-year programs is significantly lower (\$6,113) than the maximum tuition and fees allowed for four-year programs (\$15,142). Because full-time students will also receive a higher State Grant award, institutions that enroll a higher percentage of full-time students tend to receive a higher percentage of total State Grant funds as compared to institutions that enroll a higher percentage of part-time students.

### **Demographics of Recipients**

In 2021, 42 percent of State Grant recipients were students of color or American Indian students (Figure 8). A full breakdown of recipients of color/indigenous recipients by race and ethnicity is shown in Figure 9.



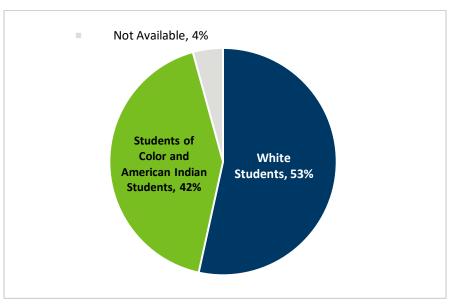
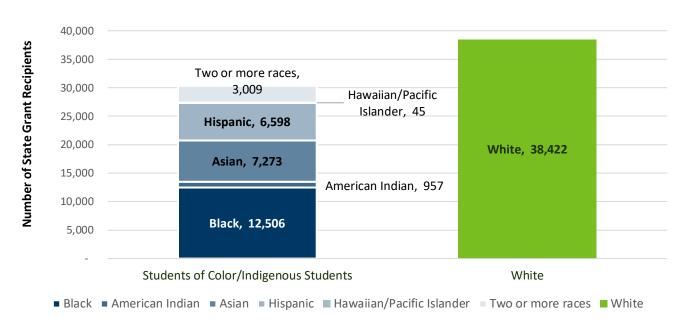


Figure 9. Minnesota State Grant Recipients by Student Race and Ethnicity, All Recipients, Fiscal Year 2021



Just over 60% of State Grant recipients self-reported as female in 2021, while roughly one-third of recipients reported as male (Figure 10).

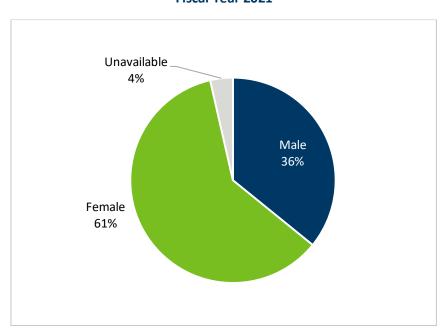


Figure 10. Minnesota State Grant Recipients by Student Gender,
Fiscal Year 2021

State Grant recipients were, on average, 24 years old in fiscal year 2021, but the average age of State Grant recipients varies by institution type (Table 3). At private for-profit institutions, students over the age of 24 make up just over two-thirds of State Grant recipients. By comparison, at the University of Minnesota system, students in these same age brackets represent less than 10% of recipients at the system (Figure 11).



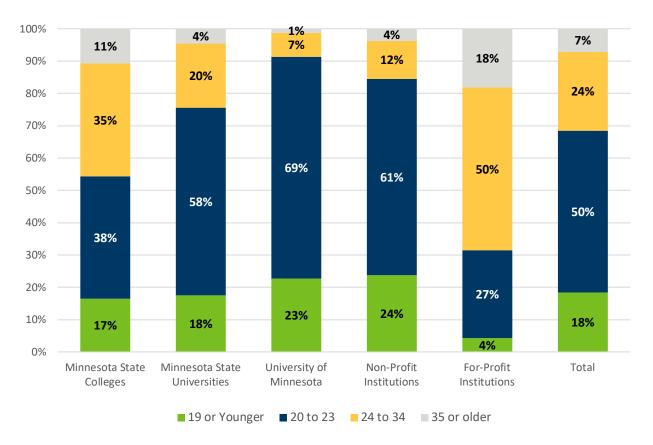


Table 3. Average Age of State Grant Recipients by Institution Type, Fiscal Year 2021

Type of Institution Attended	Average Age of State Grant Recipients
Minnesota State Colleges	25.2
Minnesota State Universities	22.9
University of Minnesota	21.2
Private Non-Profit Institutions	22.1
Private For-Profit Institutions	28.2
All Institution Types	23.7

### **Dependency Status & Family Circumstances**

The student's and family's ability to pay for the total cost of attendance (tuition and fees, plus a living and miscellaneous expense allowance) is assessed differently for each family category in the State Grant award formula. Family categories are:

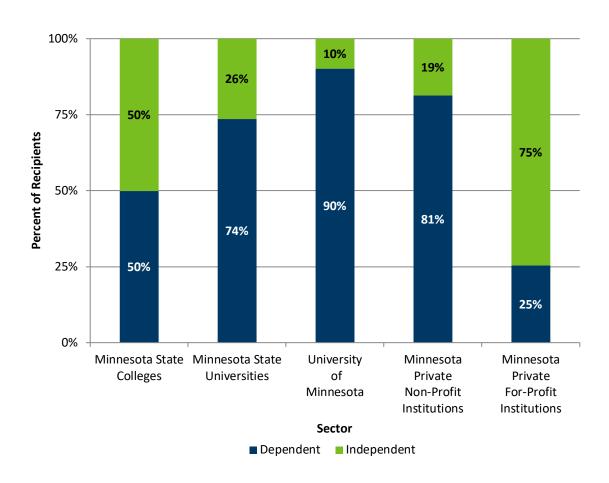
- Dependent students (usually students less than 24 years old who were not married and not supporting their own children and were not veterans/military service members)
- Married independent students with dependents (usually children)
- Unmarried independent students with dependents
- Married independent students with no dependents other than a spouse
- Unmarried independent students with no dependents

Table 4. Minnesota State Grant Statistics, Fiscal Year 2021
All State Grant Recipients

Family Status	Number of Recipients	Combined Federal Pell and Minnesota State Grants (millions)	Minnesota State Grants (millions)
Dependent Students	46,843	\$292.61	\$158.98
Married Independent Students with Dependents (Children)	4,021	\$17.86	\$4.81
Unmarried Independent Students with Dependents (Children)	7,969	\$39.25	\$7.63
Married Independent Students with No Dependents	1,324	\$5.92	\$3.29
Unmarried Independent Students with No Dependents	11,732	\$52.93	\$25.89
Total	71,889	\$408.56	\$200.60

The profile of students enrolling by institution type varies. The majority of grant recipients enrolling at Minnesota State Universities, the University of Minnesota and private non-profit institutions are dependent students, as shown in Figure 12.

Figure 12. Percent of State Grant Recipients by Dependency Status and Institution Type, Fiscal Year 2021



### **Registration Load**

The registration load or number of course credits the student enrolls in affects the price of attendance used in calculating Minnesota State Grant awards. The Minnesota State Grant program defines full-time attendance as a registration load of at least 15 credits per term or the equivalent (30 credits per academic year). Average registration load varies by income and family status for State Grant recipients. Dependent students register for more credits annually on average (25.34) than independent students (18.41-21.31), as shown in Table 5.

Table 5. Minnesota State Grant Recipients and Average Annual Credit Load by Family Status, Fiscal Year 2021

Family Status	Number of Recipients	Average Annual Credit Load
Dependent Students	46,843	25.34
Married Independent Students with Dependents (Children)	4,021	19.53
Unmarried Independent Students with Dependents (Children)	7,969	18.41
Married Independent Students with No Other Dependents	1,324	21.31
Unmarried Independent Students with No Dependents	11,732	19.74
Total	71,889	23.26

State Grant recipients from families with an adjusted gross income of \$100,000 or more register for more credits annually on average (28.10) than recipients with lower family incomes (Table 6). This highlights the economic stratification that exists in how many credits students choose to enroll in.

Table 6. Minnesota State Grant Statistics, Fiscal Year 2021
All State Grant Recipients

Adjusted Gross Income	Number of Recipients	Average Annual Credit Load
Less Than \$10,000	11,036	21.19
\$10,000 to \$19,999	9,101	21.21
\$20,000 to \$29,999	10,953	21.59
\$30,000 to \$39,999	10,145	22.37
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7,244	23.75
\$50,000 to \$59,999	5,672	24.60
\$60,000 to \$69,999	4,858	25.34
\$70,000 to \$79,999	4,110	25.96
\$80,000 to \$89,999	3,101	26.77
\$90,000 to \$99,999	2,025	27.22
\$100,000 or More	3,644	28.10
Total	71,889	23.26

### **Persistence of State Grant Recipients**

Receiving financial aid can have a powerful impact on a student's ability to complete their chosen credential. Among new-entering first year students enrolled in associate degree programs, roughly two-thirds of students receiving a state grant or Pell grant persisted to their second year. This compares to 56% of students persisting who did not file a FAFSA. Additionally, the gap in persistence for low-income<sup>3</sup> students (18 percentage points) was greater than for high-income students (11 percentage points) (Figure 13). However, additional information is needed to explain the significance of differing rates of persistence, such as the student's enrollment intensity.

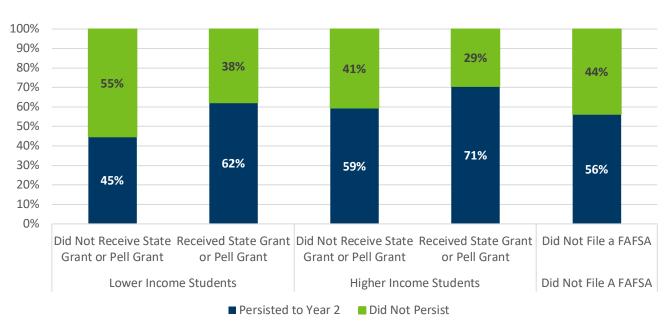
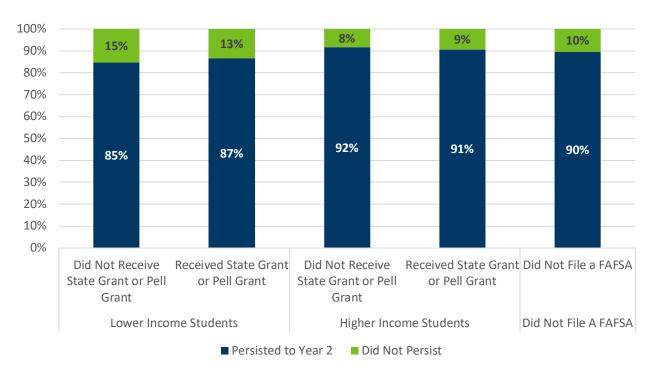


Figure 13: Percent of New Entering First Year Students Enrolled in Associate Degree Programs Persisting to Year 2, by Income and Financial Aid Receipt

For students enrolled in bachelor's degree programs, there was a slight increase in persistence for low-income students who received a state grant or Pell grant (86%), compared to those that did not receive financial aid (83%). However, this trend was not visible among high-income students (Figure 14).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> For the purposes of this analysis, "lower income" is defined as having a family adjusted gross income below the state's median household income (\$71,300). "Higher income" is defined as having a family adjusted gross income above the state's median household income.





#### **Minnesota Dream Act**

In May 2013, the State Legislature passed, and Governor Dayton signed into law, the Minnesota Dream Act (officially titled in Minnesota law as the Prosperity Act). Under this law, undocumented students meeting the criteria in the Minnesota Dream Act are eligible for in-state tuition rates, privately funded financial aid administered by Minnesota public colleges and universities, and can apply for state financial aid, including the Minnesota State Grant program. Minnesota students granted Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) may also be eligible.

The Minnesota Dream Act provides certain benefits to undocumented students with the following criteria:

- Attended a Minnesota high school for at least 3 years; and
- Graduated from a Minnesota high school or earned a GED in Minnesota; and
- Registered with the U.S. Selective Service (applies only to males 18 to 25 years old); and
- Provided documentation to show they have applied for lawful immigration status, but only if a federal
  process exists for a student to do so (does not include applying for Deferred Action for Childhood
  Arrivals). Currently, no federal process exists; therefore, this documentation is not currently required.

During fiscal year 2021, 335 students received state grants pursuant to the Minnesota Dream Act, as shown in Table 7. Students applying for a Minnesota state grant by completing a state aid application under the Minnesota Dream Act are included in all reporting on Minnesota State Grant program recipients throughout this report.

Table 7. Number of Minnesota State Grants Recipients and Amount by Institution Awarded Under the Prosperity Act, Fiscal Year 2021

Participating Institutions	Number of Minnesota State Grant Recipients	Minnesota State Grants Received	Average Minnesota State Grant
Minnesota State Colleges	130	\$167,070	\$1,285
Minnesota State Universities	29	\$81,759	\$2,819
University of Minnesota	58	\$368,255	\$6,349
Minnesota Private Institutions	118	\$643,823	\$5,456
Total	335	\$1,260,907	\$3,764

#### **State Grants 2000-2021**

The average state grant that a student receives continues to increase as the state's investment in the program increases.

Figure 15. Average Minnesota State Grant Awards and Number of Recipients Over Time, Fiscal Years 2000-2021

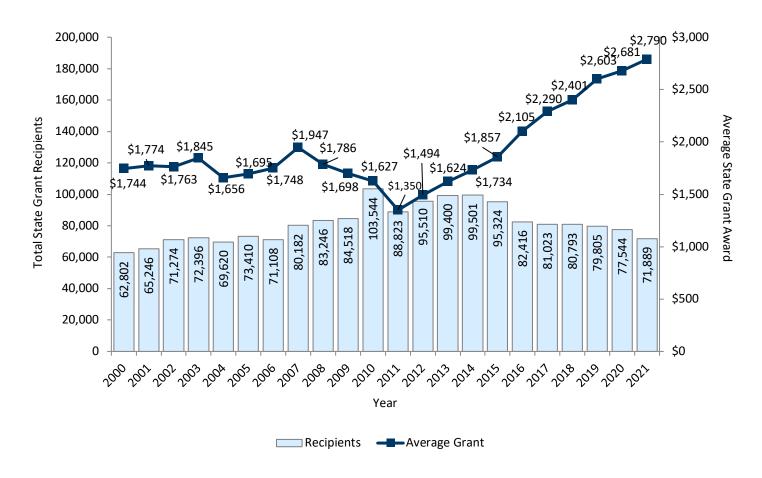
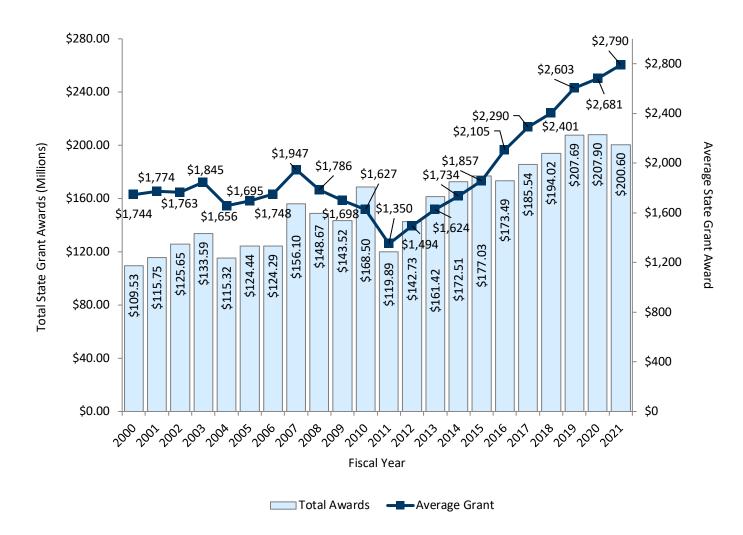


Figure 16. Average Minnesota State Grant Awards and Total Awards Over Time, Fiscal Years 2000-2021



### **Comparisons with Other States**

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Figure 17. Minnesota ranks in the top 20 states in total State Grant Funding to Undergraduates
Includes Need-Based<sup>4</sup> and Non Need-Based<sup>5</sup> Grants, 2019-2020

For the 2019-2020 academic year, Minnesota's State Grant program was 17th in the nation for total grant aid awarded, according to the annual survey of National Association of State Student Grant & Aid Programs (Figure 17). Total grant aid includes both aid awarded solely on the basis of a student's financial need (need-based aid), as well as aid awarded by some other standard — such as academic merit — without considering financial need (non-need based aid). For example, all of the \$905 million awarded to students by the state of Georgia is considered non-need based aid, while nearly all of the \$214 million awarded to students by the state of Minnesota is considered need-based aid. Minnesota ranks 12th in the nation in total grant aid spending when only need-based grant aid is considered.

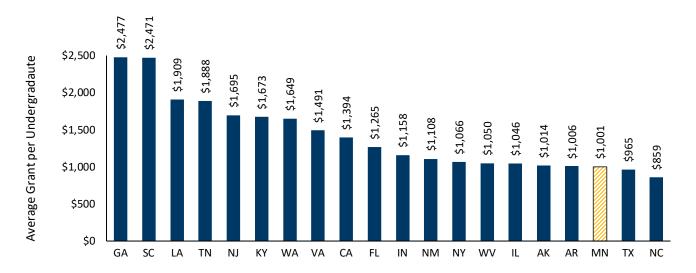
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Need-based grants are those awarded based solely on the student's financial need.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Non need-based grants are those awarded on measures other than the student's financial need, such as academic merit.

Figure 18. Minnesota spends \$1,001 per Full-time Equivalent Undergraduate Includes Need-Based and Non-Need-Based Grants, 2019-2020



Source: National Association of State Student Grant & Aid Programs (NASSGAP) annual survey, 2019-2020

Minnesota spends an average of \$1,001 per full-time equivalent (FTE) <sup>6</sup> undergraduate, which places Minnesota 18th among all other states in grant spending per FTE. The top-spending state in the nation is Georgia (\$2,477), according to the 2019-2020 annual survey of the National Association of State Student Grant & Aid Programs (Figure 18). When considering need-based aid only, Minnesota spends \$1,000 per FTE undergraduate (8th in the nation).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Full-time equivalent undergraduates are calculated by taking the sum of credits carried by all students at a particular level enrolled in classes, divided by the number of credits in a full-time load (15 credits). An FTE of 1.0 is equivalent to one full-time student.

### **Institution Level Data**

#### **Minnesota State Colleges**

Participating Institutions	Number of Minnesota State Grant Recipients	Percent of Minnesota State Grant Applicants Receiving a State Grant	Combined Federal Pell and Minnesota State Grants Received	Minnesota State Grants Received	Average Minnesota State Grant
Alexandria Technical College	577	58%	\$2,715,000	\$936,300	\$1,623
Anoka Technical College	637	65%	\$2,510,900	\$867,300	\$1,362
Anoka-Ramsey Community College	1,838	53%	\$6,848,600	\$1,832,000	\$997
Central Lakes College	891	68%	\$3,717,700	\$1,184,600	\$1,329
Century College	2,807	64%	\$11,150,500	\$2,979,500	\$1,061
Dakota County Technical College	851	60%	\$3,516,300	\$1,180,200	\$1,387
Fond du Lac Tribal & Community College	213	62%	\$923,100	\$228,300	\$1,072
Hennepin Technical College	1,205	58%	\$4,792,000	\$1,572,500	\$1,305
Hibbing Community College	308	61%	\$1,390,100	\$438,400	\$1,424
Inver Hills Community College	1,032	56%	\$4,074,600	\$1,122,500	\$1,088
Itasca Community College	285	56%	\$1,291,700	\$387,600	\$1,360
Lake Superior College	1,029	63%	\$4,091,700	\$1,253,300	\$1,218
Mesabi Range College	261	64%	\$1,318,800	\$366,800	\$1,406
Minneapolis Community & Technical College	2,466	66%	\$9,868,500	\$2,571,900	\$1,043

Participating Institutions	Number of Minnesota State Grant Recipients	Percent of Minnesota State Grant Applicants Receiving a State Grant	Combined Federal Pell and Minnesota State Grants Received	Minnesota State Grants Received	Average Minnesota State Grant
Minnesota State College-Southeast	399	69%	\$1,606,300	\$489,500	\$1,227
Minnesota State Community & Technical College	896	51%	\$3,757,000	\$1,078,000	\$1,203
Minnesota West Community & Technical College	611	71%	\$2,769,000	\$862,800	\$1,412
Normandale Community College	3,094	63%	\$12,607,600	\$3,519,200	\$1,137
North Hennepin Community College	1,715	64%	\$6,546,900	\$1,665,600	\$971
Northland Community & Technical College	444	61%	\$1,893,300	\$572,900	\$1,290
Northwest Technical College	253	65%	\$1,124,700	\$309,700	\$1,224
Pine Technical College	268	55%	\$1,160,600	\$325,200	\$1,213
Rainy River Community College	29	52%	\$159,400	\$33,700	\$1,163
Ridgewater College	1,236	66%	\$5,349,700	\$1,533,600	\$1,241
Riverland Community College	934	68%	\$4,164,600	\$1,166,200	\$1,249
Rochester Community and Technical College	1,647	63%	\$6,430,100	\$1,762,100	\$1,070
South Central Technical College	1,140	66%	\$4,743,600	\$1,319,900	\$1,158
St. Cloud Technical College	1,549	57%	\$6,392,600	\$1,908,000	\$1,232
St. Paul College	2,230	74%	\$9,326,200	\$2,300,300	\$1,032
Vermilion Community College	124	55%	\$621,600	\$213,800	\$1,724
Subtotal	30,969	62%	\$126,862,700	\$35,982,000	\$1,162

#### **Minnesota State Universities**

Participating Institutions	Number of Minnesota State Grant Recipients	Percent of Minnesota State Grant Applicants Receiving a State Grant	Combined Federal Pell and Minnesota State Grants Received	Minnesota State Grants Received	Average Minnesota State Grant
Bemidji State University	1,246	59%	\$6,685,900	\$3,270,700	\$2,625
Metropolitan State University	2,289	80%	\$12,035,600	\$4,706,100	\$2,056
Minnesota State University, Moorhead	1,139	57%	\$6,403,900	\$3,167,100	\$2,781
Minnesota State University, Mankato	3,175	51%	\$18,030,500	\$8,861,200	\$2,791
Southwest Minnesota State University	640	67%	\$3,682,800	\$1,747,000	\$2,730
St. Cloud State University	2,546	65%	\$14,524,700	\$6,594,100	\$2,590
Winona State University	1,529	49%	\$8,889,800	\$4,761,500	\$3,114
Subtotal	12,564	59%	\$70,253,300	\$33,107,800	\$2,635

### **University of Minnesota**

Participating Institutions	Number of Minnesota State Grant Recipients	Percent of Minnesota State Grant Applicants Receiving a State Grant	Combined Federal Pell and Minnesota State Grants Received	Minnesota State Grants Received	Average Minnesota State Grant
University of Minnesota Crookston	474	63%	\$2,982,600	\$1,719,500	\$3,628
University of Minnesota Duluth	2,447	45%	\$17,234,100	\$11,466,600	\$4,686
University of Minnesota Morris	449	55%	\$3,343,000	\$2,137,200	\$4,760

Participating Institutions	Number of Minnesota State Grant Recipients	Percent of Minnesota State Grant Applicants Receiving a State Grant	Combined Federal Pell and Minnesota State Grants Received	Minnesota State Grants Received	Average Minnesota State Grant
University of Minnesota Twin Cities	7,765	50%	\$63,722,900	\$42,396,000	\$5,460
Subtotal	11,135	49%	\$87,282,700	\$57,719,300	\$5,184

#### **Minnesota Private Non-Profit Institutions**

Participating Institutions	Number of Minnesota State Grant Recipients	Percent of Minnesota State Grant Applicants Receiving a State Grant	Combined Federal Pell and Minnesota State Grants Received	Minnesota State Grants Received	Average Minnesota State Grant
Augsburg University	1,356	77%	\$13,030,900	\$7,760,000	\$5,723
Bethany Lutheran College	230	67%	\$1,809,600	\$1,266,600	\$5,507
Bethel University	811	48%	\$6,044,400	\$4,202,500	\$5,182
Carleton College	110	48%	\$839,200	\$593,900	\$5,399
College of St. Benedict	508	45%	\$4,071,200	\$2,807,600	\$5,527
College of St. Scholastica	714	53%	\$5,584,200	\$3,871,100	\$5,422
Concordia College Moorhead	548	39%	\$4,128,600	\$2,938,700	\$5,363
Concordia University St. Paul	926	79%	\$7,275,200	\$4,472,400	\$4,830
Crown College	203	68%	\$1,620,900	\$1,045,700	\$5,151
Dunwoody College of Technology	482	71%	\$2,576,400	\$1,368,500	\$2,839
Gustavus Adolphus College	853	55%	\$7,228,200	\$4,940,400	\$5,792
Hamline University	960	53%	\$8,416,400	\$5,457,900	\$5,685

Participating Institutions	Number of Minnesota State Grant Recipients	Percent of Minnesota State Grant Applicants Receiving a State Grant	Combined Federal Pell and Minnesota State Grants Received	Minnesota State Grants Received	Average Minnesota State Grant
Herzing University	164	73%	\$1,029,800	\$558,100	\$3,403
Leech Lake Tribal College	77	63%	\$327,100	\$60,200	\$781
Macalester College	130	46%	\$1,095,800	\$733,000	\$5,639
Martin Luther College	58	74%	\$439,400	\$343,700	\$5,926
Minneapolis College of Art and Design	206	69%	\$1,760,700	\$1,120,400	\$5,439
North Central University	272	57%	\$2,349,100	\$1,561,500	\$5,741
Northwestern Health Sciences University	57	69%	\$249,500	\$96,200	\$1,687
Northwestern University	611	51%	\$4,820,000	\$3,295,900	\$5,394
Oak Hills Christian College	35	100%	\$284,700	\$152,000	\$4,343
Red Lake Nation College	53	75%	\$260,400	\$36,900	\$696
St. Catherine University	1,057	68%	\$8,138,900	\$4,817,500	\$4,558
St. John's University	423	43%	\$3,279,900	\$2,283,600	\$5,399
St. Mary's University of Minnesota	330	61%	\$2,541,300	\$1,597,100	\$4,840
St. Olaf College	491	47%	\$4,189,100	\$2,912,100	\$5,931
Summit Academy Opportunity Industrialization Center	400	96%	\$1,503,800	\$517,400	\$1,294
University of St. Thomas	1,619	46%	\$12,713,500	\$8,163,000	\$5,042
White Earth Tribal College	118	0%	\$574,200	\$67,300	\$0
Sub-Total	13,802	56%	\$108,182,300	\$69,040,900	\$5,002

#### **Minnesota Private For-Profit Institutions**

Participating Institutions	Number of Minnesota State Grant Recipients	Percent of Minnesota State Grant Applicants Receiving a State Grant	Combined Federal Pell and Minnesota State Grants Received	Minnesota State Grants Received	Average Minnesota State Grant
Academy College	50	54%	\$298,900	\$211,100	\$4,222
Avalon School of Cosmetology	17	94%	\$96,000	\$31,400	\$1,846
Aveda Institute Minneapolis	326	69%	\$1,793,000	\$630,700	\$1,935
Center Point Massage and Shiatsu Therapy School & Clinic	12	15%	\$25,600	\$9,200	\$770
Empire Beauty School - Bloomington	114	87%	\$564,900	\$164,600	\$1,444
Empire Beauty School - St Paul	55	73%	\$292,200	\$88,300	\$1,605
Hastings Beauty School	3	43%	\$21,600	*Suppressed	*Suppressed
Institute of Production and Recording	62	98%	\$281,300	\$137,500	\$2,218
Minnesota School of Barbering	17	89%	\$111,700	\$49,900	\$2,937
Minnesota School of Beauty	10	67%	\$55,700	*Suppressed	*Suppressed
Minnesota School of Cosmetology	138	88%	\$699,600	\$234,100	\$1,697
Model College of Hair Design	94	90%	\$512,900	\$159,100	\$1,693
Nova Academy of Cosmetology	103	90%	\$554,100	\$186,800	\$1,814
Rasmussen University St. Cloud	2,418	85%	\$10,674,700	\$2,818,500	\$1,166
Sub-Total	3,419	82%	\$15,982,100	\$4,746,700	\$1,388

<sup>\*</sup>For student counts less than 10, award information is suppressed

#### **All Minnesota Institutions**

	Number of Minnesota State Grant Recipients	Percent of Minnesota State Grant Applicants Receiving a State Grant	Combined Federal Pell and Minnesota State Grants Received	Minnesota State Grants Received	Average Minnesota State Grant
Total	71,889	74%	\$408,563,100	\$200,596,700	\$2,790

# **Appendix 1**

# Minnesota Undergraduate Applicants Eligible for a Minnesota State Grant, by Income and Family Type, Fiscal Year 2021

Family Adjusted Gross Income	Dependent	Independent, Married with Dependents	Independent, Not Married with Dependents	Independent, Married without Dependents	Independent, Not Married without Dependents	Total
Less Than \$10,000	5,708	337	2,590	220	4,383	13,238
\$10,000 to \$19,999	4,428	328	2,325	187	3,141	10,409
\$20,000 to \$29,999	6,002	540	2,220	253	3,308	12,323
\$30,000 to \$39,999	6,777	622	1,686	246	2,220	11,551
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5,898	709	672	255	884	8,418
\$50,000 to \$59,999	5,389	636	254	221	369	6,869
\$60,000 to \$69,999	5,213	659	103	237	147	6,359
\$70,000 to \$79,999	5,108	559	52	171	43	5,933
\$80,000 to \$89,999	5,050	493	19	151	28	5,741
\$90,000 to \$99,999	4,782	387	6	97	15	5,287
\$100,000 or More	34,917	843	15	241	27	36,043
Total	89,272	6,113	9,942	2,279	14,565	122,171

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# **Appendix 2**

Average Minnesota State Grant Awards, Number of Recipients, and Total Awards, Fiscal Years 2000-2021

Fiscal Year	Recipients	Average Award	Total Awards (millions)
2000	62,802	\$1,744	\$109.53
2001	65,246	\$1,774	\$115.75
2002	71,274	\$1,763	\$125.65
2003	72,396	\$1,845	\$133.59
2004	69,620	\$1,656	\$115.32
2005	73,410	\$1,695	\$124.44
2006	71,108	\$1,748	\$124.29
2007	80,182	\$1,947	\$156.10
2008	83,246	\$1,786	\$148.67
2009	84,518	\$1,698	\$143.52
2010	103,544	\$1,627	\$168.50
2011	88,823	\$1,350	\$119.89
2012	95,510	\$1,494	\$142.73
2013	99,400	\$1,624	\$161.42
2014	99,501	\$1,734	\$172.51
2015	95,324	\$1,857	\$177.03
2016	82,416	\$2,105	\$173.49
2017	81,023	\$2,290	\$185.54
2018	80,793	\$2,401	\$194.02
2019	79,805	\$ 2,603	\$207.69
2020	77,544	\$ 2,681	\$207.90
2021	71,889	\$ 2,790	\$200.60

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