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# 2-Year Colleges With the Highest and Lowest 3-Year Graduation Rates, 2017

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Of the 25 two-year public institutions with the best three-year graduation rates, five were in Kansas and four each were in Illinois and Wisconsin. Two-year public colleges had completion rates lower than those of their private nonprofit and for-profit counterparts, but they awarded far more associate degrees than the other two sectors did.

**PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS**

Rank	Institution	Adjusted student cohort	Completers within 150 percent of expected time	Overall completion rate	Completed less-than-2-year programs	Completed 2-year programs	Transferred out	Still enrolled	No longer enrolled
1.	Carver Career Center (W.V.)	70	62	88.6%	0.0%	88.6%	—	0.0%	11.4%
2.	Salina Area Technical College (Kan.)	101	77	76.2%	46.5%	29.7%	4.0%	1.0%	18.8%
3.	Lake Area Technical Institute (S.D.)	649	465	71.6%	20.2%	51.5%	3.9%	2.6%	21.9%
4.	North Central Kansas Technical College	174	124	71.3%	39.7%	31.6%	—	0.0%	28.7%
5.	State Technical College of Missouri	481	341	70.9%	13.9%	57.0%	1.7%	1.5%	26.0%
6.	Mitchell Technical Institute (S.D.)	348	238	68.4%	14.4%	54.0%	6.0%	1.4%	24.1%

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7.	Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology (Pa.)	374	252	67.4%	3.2%	64.2%	0.3%	0.0%	32.4%
8.	Northwest Iowa Community College	223	145	65.0%	28.3%	36.8%	7.6%	2.2%	25.1%
9.	Northwest Kansas Technical College	156	101	64.7%	13.5%	51.3%	6.4%	0.0%	28.8%
10.	De Anza College (Calif.)	2,605	1,625	62.4%	0.2%	62.2%	6.9%	8.3%	22.3%
11.	Frontier Community College (Ill.)	58	36	62.1%	25.9%	36.2%	12.1%	3.4%	22.4%
12.	Flint Hills Technical College (Kan.)	93	57	61.3%	41.9%	19.4%	3.2%	1.1%	34.4%

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13.	Southwest Wisconsin Technical College	281	172	61.2%	34.5%	26.7%	3.2%	3.2%	32.4%
14.	Olney Central College (Ill.)	193	113	58.5%	7.8%	50.8%	21.2%	0.5%	19.7%
15.	Moraine Park Technical College (Wis.)	130	76	58.5%	33.8%	24.6%	22.3%	14.6%	4.6%
16.	Rend Lake College (Ill.)	516	298	57.8%	15.5%	42.2%	15.1%	3.9%	23.3%
17.	Alexandria Technical and Community College (Minn.)	468	269	57.5%	8.5%	48.9%	14.1%	0.9%	27.6%

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