



**IMPLEMENTATION AND RESULTS OF THE TEXAS AUTOMATIC ADMISSIONS LAW  
(HB 588)  
at  
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN  
Report 10 (part 2)**

**STUDENT FLOW**

**TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES  
SUMMER AND FALL ENTERING FRESHMEN  
ACADEMIC YEARS 1997-2006**

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**Introduction**

One of the concerns expressed during emotional debates over the Texas Automatic Admissions Law (HB 588), otherwise called the “Top 10% Law,” was that large numbers of students were being encouraged to reach beyond their academic ability, apply to UT Austin, and be automatically admitted. This often led to predictions of lower retention and graduation rates.

At the University of Texas one-year persistence is defined as the percent of students who returned for their sophomore year and were enrolled on the 12<sup>th</sup> Class Day of the fall semester. And of course, two-year persistence is the percent of students enrolling the following fall.

As stated in Volume I, which contains HB588 Reports 1-9, this paper is designed to present simple, descriptive statistics relative to graduates of Texas high schools matriculating as entering freshmen from 1997-2006. This is not a position paper. It is not an evaluation of past or present affirmative action policies. It is not a proposed blueprint for other universities or public institutions seeking diversity. It is not representative of the higher education experience in all of Texas.

**Methodology**

The students selected for this study are the same as cohorts studied in Volume I of this report. This is limited to entering freshmen from Texas high schools for the summer/fall semesters from 1997 through 2006. Since the cohorts are filtered to exclude all but graduates of Texas high schools, i.e., the group eligible for the top 10% entitlement, persistence and graduation rates will not match exactly what is reported by the Office of Institutional Research (now called the Office of Information Management and Analysis) in its *Statistical Handbook*, which includes all entering freshmen. Table 1 below provides the n-counts used in the tables that follow. The American Indian, International, and “unknown” groups are excluded due to low n-counts. Table 2, however, illustrates whole entering classes from Texas high schools and thus includes those groups.

In Tables 2-7 a student is counted as “continuing” if he/she had courses listed in the next and following fall semesters. During these “snapshots” a check was made to determine if an individual had graduated.

**Table 1**  
**N-Counts of Cohorts**  
**Enrolled Freshmen from Texas High Schools**  
**1997-2006**

|                  | 1997    |             | 1998    |             | 1999    |             | 2000    |             | 2001    |             | 2002    |             | 2003    |             | 2004    |             | 2005    |             | 2006    |             |
|------------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|
|                  | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% |
| White            | 1408    | 2781        | 1497    | 2457        | 1620    | 2472        | 1921    | 2529        | 1942    | 2076        | 2203    | 2188        | 2378    | 1202        | 2270    | 1384        | 2288    | 1230        | 2524    | 1113        |
| African American | 50      | 135         | 69      | 119         | 160     | 113         | 156     | 129         | 137     | 98          | 156     | 99          | 194     | 64          | 225     | 77          | 252     | 87          | 268     | 110         |
| Asian American   | 505     | 567         | 519     | 542         | 609     | 559         | 653     | 606         | 718     | 607         | 800     | 562         | 781     | 299         | 776     | 388         | 782     | 350         | 929     | 327         |
| Hispanic         | 358     | 519         | 414     | 441         | 513     | 424         | 591     | 401         | 575     | 426         | 703     | 411         | 858     | 199         | 887     | 251         | 966     | 264         | 1049    | 314         |
| All Students     | 2332    | 4033        | 2513    | 3597        | 2925    | 3596        | 3346    | 3713        | 3423    | 3255        | 3932    | 3302        | 4289    | 1804        | 4241    | 2157        | 4391    | 1997        | 4902    | 1962        |

**Table 2**  
**Continuing and Graduation Rates for First-Time Freshmen**  
**Graduates of Texas High Schools**  
**1997-2006**

|                   | 1997    |             | 1998    |             | 1999    |             | 2000    |             | 2001    |             | 2002    |             | 2003    |             | 2004    |             | 2005    |             | 2006    |             |  |
|-------------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|--|
|                   | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% |  |
| <b>Continuing</b> |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 1 yr        | 91.60   | 82.74       | 92.32   | 85.65       | 92.34   | 85.93       | 93.19   | 89.52       | 91.29   | 88.20       | 91.53   | 90.25       | 93.05   | 92.57       | 93.23   | 92.30       | 92.30   | 90.74       | 92.08   | 90.83       |  |
| After 2 yrs       | 87.56   | 75.33       | 87.78   | 80.40       | 89.06   | 79.95       | 89.15   | 84.24       | 87.64   | 82.06       | 87.72   | 85.25       | 88.55   | 87.25       | 88.59   | 85.91       | 87.93   | 85.08       |         |             |  |
| After 3 yrs       | 82.72   | 71.06       | 82.57   | 75.59       | 84.27   | 74.67       | 83.20   | 77.86       | 81.60   | 75.55       | 80.98   | 78.10       | 82.16   | 78.94       | 82.13   | 80.76       |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 4 yrs       | 38.51   | 41.56       | 37.33   | 43.09       | 37.71   | 38.71       | 34.34   | 36.68       | 32.90   | 34.16       | 31.77   | 35.61       | 32.41   | 33.70       |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 5 yrs       | 9.05    | 12.65       | 8.44    | 11.65       | 6.80    | 10.07       | 7.56    | 8.94        | 7.36    | 7.65        | 6.41    | 8.36        |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 6 yrs       | 3.34    | 4.46        | 2.79    | 4.20        | 2.22    | 3.59        | 2.45    | 3.96        | 2.42    | 2.80        |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| <b>Graduated</b>  |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 1 yr        |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             | 0.03    |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 2 yrs       | 0.17    | 0.12        | 0.12    | 0.11        | 0.03    | 0.17        | 0.09    | 0.08        | 0.18    | 0.34        | 0.10    | 0.18        | 0.07    | 0.28        | 0.07    | 0.19        | 0.07    | 0.30        |         |             |  |
| After 3 yrs       | 3.39    | 1.73        | 2.99    | 2.11        | 3.07    | 2.37        | 3.92    | 3.10        | 4.47    | 3.50        | 4.50    | 3.63        | 3.92    | 5.54        | 4.15    | 3.85        |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 4 yrs       | 45.46   | 28.76       | 46.80   | 32.50       | 47.79   | 35.32       | 51.05   | 39.64       | 51.15   | 40.61       | 51.58   | 42.88       | 51.85   | 47.51       |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 5 yrs       | 73.80   | 55.99       | 74.69   | 61.66       | 77.06   | 61.15       | 76.15   | 65.28       | 76.37   | 66.39       | 76.04   | 68.29       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 6 yrs       | 79.07   | 63.33       | 80.78   | 69.06       | 81.78   | 68.02       | 81.41   | 71.86       | 80.81   | 71.34       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| <b>Combined*</b>  |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 1 yr        | 91.60   | 82.74       | 92.32   | 85.65       | 92.34   | 85.93       | 93.19   | 89.52       | 91.32   | 88.20       | 91.53   | 90.25       | 93.05   | 92.57       | 93.23   | 92.30       | 92.30   | 90.74       | 92.08   | 90.83       |  |
| After 2 yrs       | 87.73   | 75.45       | 87.90   | 80.51       | 89.09   | 80.12       | 89.24   | 84.32       | 87.82   | 82.40       | 87.82   | 85.43       | 88.62   | 87.53       | 88.66   | 86.10       | 88.00   | 85.38       |         |             |  |
| After 3 yrs       | 86.11   | 72.79       | 85.56   | 77.70       | 87.34   | 77.04       | 87.12   | 80.96       | 86.07   | 79.05       | 85.48   | 81.73       | 86.08   | 84.48       | 86.28   | 84.61       |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 4 yrs       | 83.97   | 70.32       | 84.13   | 75.59       | 85.50   | 74.03       | 85.39   | 76.32       | 84.05   | 74.77       | 83.35   | 78.49       | 84.26   | 81.21       |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 5 yrs       | 82.85   | 68.64       | 83.13   | 73.31       | 83.86   | 71.22       | 83.71   | 74.22       | 83.73   | 74.04       | 82.45   | 76.65       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 6 yrs       | 82.41   | 67.79       | 83.57   | 73.26       | 84.00   | 71.61       | 83.86   | 75.82       | 83.23   | 74.14       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |

\* The "Combined" value is the sum of the "Continuing" and "Graduated" values.

**Table 3**  
**Continuing and Graduation Rates for First-Time Freshmen**  
**White Graduates of Texas High Schools**  
**1997-2006**

|                   | 1997    |             | 1998    |             | 1999    |             | 2000    |             | 2001    |             | 2002    |             | 2003    |             | 2004    |             | 2005    |             | 2006    |             |  |
|-------------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|--|
|                   | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% |  |
| <b>Continuing</b> |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 1 yr        | 91.48   | 82.56       | 92.38   | 84.82       | 92.53   | 86.37       | 93.91   | 88.61       | 91.66   | 87.52       | 91.74   | 90.08       | 93.31   | 92.51       | 94.14   | 92.34       | 92.79   | 91.30       | 92.87   | 91.92       |  |
| After 2 yrs       | 87.93   | 75.69       | 87.71   | 80.26       | 89.32   | 80.02       | 89.22   | 83.43       | 87.49   | 81.79       | 87.61   | 85.88       | 89.66   | 86.61       | 89.91   | 86.69       | 88.85   | 86.02       |         |             |  |
| After 3 yrs       | 82.53   | 72.13       | 82.50   | 75.38       | 84.75   | 75.44       | 83.55   | 77.82       | 81.67   | 75.92       | 80.44   | 78.93       | 83.68   | 78.20       | 83.79   | 81.79       |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 4 yrs       | 37.57   | 41.57       | 35.60   | 41.15       | 35.19   | 37.30       | 31.44   | 34.80       | 30.33   | 32.56       | 29.19   | 33.59       | 29.02   | 31.03       |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 5 yrs       | 7.46    | 12.12       | 6.95    | 9.08        | 5.43    | 9.43        | 6.45    | 8.07        | 6.39    | 7.37        | 5.31    | 7.45        |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 6 yrs       | 2.56    | 4.06        | 2.27    | 3.66        | 1.79    | 3.48        | 1.98    | 3.32        | 1.60    | 2.36        |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| <b>Graduated</b>  |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 1 yr        |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 2 yrs       | 0.07    | 0.11        | 0.07    | 0.08        | 0.06    | 0.20        | 0.16    | 0.04        | 0.21    | 0.24        | 0.18    | 0.14        | 0.13    | 0.25        | 0.09    | 0.22        | 0.09    | 0.33        |         |             |  |
| After 3 yrs       | 3.55    | 1.66        | 3.08    | 2.12        | 3.21    | 2.22        | 4.84    | 2.93        | 4.79    | 2.84        | 5.76    | 3.70        | 4.08    | 5.41        | 4.76    | 3.83        |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 4 yrs       | 47.87   | 30.17       | 49.31   | 34.56       | 51.36   | 37.30       | 55.28   | 41.48       | 53.76   | 42.10       | 55.20   | 46.07       | 57.86   | 49.92       |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 5 yrs       | 76.56   | 58.11       | 76.69   | 64.55       | 80.37   | 63.43       | 79.13   | 66.59       | 77.91   | 67.34       | 78.35   | 71.07       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 6 yrs       | 81.39   | 65.73       | 81.83   | 70.21       | 84.20   | 70.02       | 83.76   | 72.52       | 82.60   | 72.11       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| <b>Combined*</b>  |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 1 yr        | 91.48   | 82.56       | 92.38   | 84.82       | 92.53   | 86.37       | 93.91   | 88.61       | 91.66   | 87.52       | 91.74   | 90.08       | 93.31   | 92.51       | 94.14   | 92.34       | 92.79   | 91.30       | 92.87   | 91.92       |  |
| After 2 yrs       | 88.00   | 75.80       | 87.78   | 80.34       | 89.38   | 80.22       | 89.38   | 83.47       | 87.70   | 82.03       | 87.79   | 86.02       | 89.79   | 86.86       | 90.00   | 86.91       | 88.94   | 86.35       |         |             |  |
| After 3 yrs       | 86.08   | 73.79       | 85.58   | 77.50       | 87.96   | 77.66       | 88.39   | 80.75       | 86.46   | 78.76       | 86.20   | 82.63       | 87.76   | 83.61       | 88.55   | 85.62       |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 4 yrs       | 85.44   | 71.74       | 84.91   | 75.71       | 86.55   | 74.60       | 86.72   | 76.28       | 84.09   | 74.66       | 84.39   | 79.66       | 86.88   | 80.95       |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 5 yrs       | 84.02   | 70.23       | 83.64   | 73.63       | 85.80   | 72.86       | 85.58   | 74.66       | 84.30   | 74.71       | 83.66   | 78.52       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 6 yrs       | 83.95   | 69.79       | 84.10   | 73.87       | 85.99   | 73.50       | 85.74   | 75.84       | 84.20   | 74.47       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |

\* The "Combined" value is the sum of the "Continuing" and "Graduated" values.

**Table 4**  
**Continuing and Graduation Rates for First-Time Freshmen**  
**African American Graduates of Texas High Schools**  
**1997-2006**

|                   | 1997    |             | 1998    |             | 1999    |             | 2000    |             | 2001    |             | 2002    |             | 2003    |             | 2004    |             | 2005    |             | 2006    |             |  |  |
|-------------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|--|--|
|                   | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% |  |  |
| <b>Continuing</b> |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |  |
| After 1 yr        | 100.0   | 84.44       | 95.65   | 94.12       | 92.50   | 89.38       | 92.95   | 94.57       | 90.51   | 91.84       | 89.10   | 92.93       | 89.69   | 92.19       | 87.56   | 92.21       | 89.68   | 88.51       | 89.18   | 92.73       |  |  |
| After 2 yrs       | 90.00   | 71.11       | 95.65   | 82.35       | 87.50   | 82.30       | 90.38   | 87.60       | 80.29   | 83.67       | 86.54   | 79.80       | 82.47   | 82.81       | 84.00   | 84.42       | 81.75   | 77.01       |         |             |  |  |
| After 3 yrs       | 92.00   | 73.33       | 89.86   | 84.03       | 81.25   | 77.88       | 83.33   | 79.84       | 81.75   | 77.55       | 81.41   | 73.74       | 77.84   | 75.00       | 80.44   | 80.52       |         |             |         |             |  |  |
| After 4 yrs       | 42.00   | 49.63       | 36.23   | 43.70       | 50.63   | 46.90       | 43.59   | 41.09       | 41.61   | 39.80       | 39.74   | 44.44       | 43.30   | 42.19       |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |  |
| After 5 yrs       | 10.00   | 12.59       | 15.94   | 22.69       | 10.63   | 13.27       | 12.18   | 13.18       | 11.68   | 9.18        | 7.69    | 9.09        |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |  |
| After 6 yrs       |         | 4.44        | 8.70    | 5.88        | 2.50    | 4.42        | 3.85    | 3.88        | 6.57    | 7.14        |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |  |
| <b>Graduated</b>  |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |  |
| After 1 yr        |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |  |
| After 2 yrs       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         | 1.15        |         |             |  |  |
| After 3 yrs       |         |             | 2.90    | 0.84        | 2.50    |             | 2.56    | 3.10        | 1.46    | 3.06        | 1.28    | 2.02        | 1.55    | 3.13        | 0.89    |             |         |             |         |             |  |  |
| After 4 yrs       | 40.00   | 13.33       | 49.28   | 30.25       | 33.13   | 26.55       | 38.46   | 32.56       | 37.96   | 33.67       | 37.82   | 25.25       | 32.99   | 21.88       |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |  |
| After 5 yrs       | 76.00   | 43.70       | 68.12   | 52.94       | 67.50   | 51.33       | 67.95   | 58.14       | 66.42   | 61.22       | 66.03   | 54.55       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |  |
| After 6 yrs       | 88.00   | 51.85       | 76.81   | 67.23       | 76.25   | 60.18       | 76.92   | 67.44       | 71.53   | 66.33       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |  |
| <b>Combined*</b>  |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |  |
| After 1 yr        | 100.0   | 84.44       | 95.65   | 94.12       | 92.50   | 89.38       | 92.95   | 94.57       | 90.51   | 91.84       | 89.10   | 92.93       | 89.69   | 92.19       | 87.56   | 92.21       | 89.68   | 88.51       | 89.18   | 92.73       |  |  |
| After 2 yrs       | 90.00   | 71.11       | 95.65   | 82.35       | 87.50   | 82.30       | 90.38   | 87.60       | 80.29   | 83.67       | 86.54   | 79.80       | 82.47   | 82.81       | 84.00   | 84.42       | 81.75   | 78.16       |         |             |  |  |
| After 3 yrs       | 92.00   | 73.33       | 92.76   | 84.87       | 83.75   | 77.88       | 85.89   | 82.94       | 83.21   | 80.61       | 82.69   | 75.76       | 79.39   | 78.13       | 81.33   | 80.52       |         |             |         |             |  |  |
| After 4 yrs       | 82.00   | 62.96       | 85.51   | 73.95       | 83.76   | 73.45       | 82.05   | 73.65       | 79.57   | 73.47       | 77.56   | 69.69       | 76.29   | 64.07       |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |  |
| After 5 yrs       | 86.00   | 56.29       | 84.06   | 75.63       | 78.13   | 64.60       | 80.13   | 71.32       | 78.10   | 70.40       | 73.72   | 63.64       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |  |
| After 6 yrs       | 88.00   | 56.29       | 85.51   | 73.11       | 78.75   | 64.60       | 80.77   | 71.32       | 78.10   | 73.47       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |  |

\* The "Combined" value is the sum of the "Continuing" and "Graduated" values.

**Table 5**  
**Continuing and Graduation Rates for First-Time Freshmen**  
**Asian American Graduates of Texas High Schools**  
**1997-2006**

|                   | 1997    |             | 1998    |             | 1999    |             | 2000    |             | 2001    |             | 2002    |             | 2003    |             | 2004    |             | 2005    |             | 2006    |             |  |
|-------------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|--|
|                   | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% |  |
| <b>Continuing</b> |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 1 yr        | 94.26   | 88.36       | 95.95   | 90.77       | 96.22   | 87.84       | 96.32   | 94.55       | 94.01   | 91.93       | 93.88   | 92.17       | 97.31   | 94.98       | 96.13   | 95.88       | 95.40   | 93.43       | 95.16   | 92.35       |  |
| After 2 yrs       | 90.10   | 79.72       | 91.14   | 83.95       | 93.76   | 82.29       | 94.03   | 89.27       | 92.90   | 85.34       | 91.63   | 86.83       | 92.06   | 89.97       | 93.04   | 90.72       | 91.82   | 88.86       |         |             |  |
| After 3 yrs       | 87.33   | 71.43       | 86.32   | 78.78       | 89.49   | 75.85       | 87.29   | 79.54       | 85.38   | 76.94       | 84.88   | 79.72       | 85.02   | 83.95       | 85.31   | 80.67       |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 4 yrs       | 42.18   | 44.97       | 42.00   | 51.29       | 37.11   | 45.08       | 34.76   | 42.08       | 36.07   | 38.06       | 30.75   | 37.54       | 31.75   | 38.80       |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 5 yrs       | 10.50   | 15.52       | 8.86    | 18.63       | 8.37    | 10.73       | 4.90    | 8.42        | 7.10    | 6.92        | 6.13    | 9.25        |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 6 yrs       | 4.75    | 5.47        | 2.50    | 5.54        | 2.46    | 3.58        | 1.68    | 4.79        | 3.48    | 2.31        |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| <b>Graduated</b>  |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 1 yr        |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             | 0.14    |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 2 yrs       | 0.40    | 0.35        | 0.39    | 0.18        |         | 0.18        |         | 0.17        | 0.14    | 0.99        |         | 0.36        |         | 0.67        |         | 0.26        |         | 0.29        |         |             |  |
| After 3 yrs       | 4.36    | 3.00        | 3.09    | 1.84        | 2.63    | 3.58        | 2.60    | 3.96        | 4.04    | 5.60        | 3.50    | 3.20        | 3.97    | 6.69        | 3.87    | 5.93        |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 4 yrs       | 45.94   | 26.99       | 46.44   | 28.04       | 53.53   | 31.13       | 54.36   | 38.12       | 52.79   | 40.53       | 55.75   | 41.28       | 56.21   | 48.83       |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 5 yrs       | 77.03   | 53.97       | 79.00   | 58.30       | 80.62   | 59.39       | 81.62   | 67.99       | 80.92   | 70.51       | 80.50   | 68.68       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 6 yrs       | 81.78   | 60.85       | 86.13   | 70.30       | 86.21   | 67.44       | 85.45   | 74.75       | 84.12   | 74.79       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| <b>Combined*</b>  |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 1 yr        | 94.26   | 88.36       | 95.95   | 90.77       | 96.22   | 87.84       | 96.32   | 94.55       | 94.15   | 91.93       | 93.88   | 92.17       | 97.31   | 94.98       | 96.13   | 95.88       | 95.40   | 93.43       | 95.16   | 92.35       |  |
| After 2 yrs       | 90.50   | 80.07       | 91.53   | 84.13       | 93.76   | 82.47       | 94.03   | 89.44       | 93.04   | 86.33       | 91.63   | 87.19       | 83.68   | 90.64       | 93.04   | 90.98       | 91.82   | 89.15       |         |             |  |
| After 3 yrs       | 91.69   | 74.43       | 89.41   | 80.62       | 92.12   | 79.43       | 89.89   | 83.50       | 89.42   | 82.54       | 88.38   | 82.92       | 88.99   | 90.64       | 89.18   | 86.60       |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 4 yrs       | 88.12   | 71.96       | 88.44   | 79.33       | 90.64   | 76.21       | 89.12   | 80.20       | 88.86   | 78.59       | 86.50   | 78.82       | 87.96   | 87.63       |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 5 yrs       | 87.53   | 69.49       | 87.86   | 76.93       | 88.99   | 70.12       | 86.52   | 76.41       | 88.02   | 77.43       | 86.63   | 77.93       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 6 yrs       | 86.53   | 66.32       | 88.63   | 75.84       | 88.67   | 71.02       | 87.13   | 79.54       | 87.60   | 77.10       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |

\* The "Combined" value is the sum of the "Continuing" and "Graduated" values.

**Table 6**  
**Continuing and Graduation Rates for First-Time Freshmen**  
**Hispanic Graduates of Texas High Schools**  
**1997-2006**

|                   | 1997    |             | 1998    |             | 1999    |             | 2000    |             | 2001    |             | 2002    |             | 2003    |             | 2004    |             | 2005    |             | 2006    |             |  |
|-------------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|--|
|                   | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% | Top 10% | Non-Top 10% |  |
| <b>Continuing</b> |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 1 yr        | 86.87   | 77.84       | 87.44   | 81.86       | 87.13   | 79.25       | 87.99   | 86.53       | 86.61   | 84.74       | 88.19   | 87.10       | 89.04   | 88.94       | 89.74   | 85.66       | 89.13   | 87.88       | 88.47   | 85.67       |  |
| After 2 yrs       | 82.12   | 69.94       | 82.85   | 76.42       | 83.04   | 75.24       | 83.76   | 80.80       | 82.43   | 77.70       | 83.64   | 80.78       | 83.68   | 86.93       | 82.41   | 78.09       | 84.16   | 80.30       |         |             |  |
| After 3 yrs       | 75.70   | 64.55       | 77.29   | 70.75       | 78.17   | 67.22       | 77.83   | 75.31       | 76.87   | 70.19       | 77.81   | 72.99       | 76.34   | 77.39       | 75.65   | 73.31       |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 4 yrs       | 36.59   | 35.84       | 38.16   | 42.86       | 42.30   | 36.79       | 40.27   | 38.65       | 36.17   | 35.68       | 38.41   | 42.34       | 38.69   | 40.20       |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 5 yrs       | 13.13   | 12.14       | 12.32   | 14.51       | 8.38    | 11.79       | 12.35   | 13.22       | 10.09   | 9.86        | 9.82    | 11.19       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 6 yrs       | 4.75    | 5.20        | 4.11    | 4.54        | 3.12    | 4.01        | 4.23    | 6.48        | 3.50    | 3.99        |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| <b>Graduated</b>  |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 1 yr        |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 2 yrs       | 0.28    |             |         | 0.23        |         |             |         | 0.25        | 0.17    |             |         | 0.24        |         |             |         |             | 0.10    |             |         |             |  |
| After 3 yrs       | 1.96    | 1.35        | 2.42    | 2.72        | 2.73    | 2.12        | 2.88    | 2.74        | 3.83    | 4.23        | 2.56    | 3.65        | 3.96    | 5.53        | 3.49    | 2.39        |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 4 yrs       | 36.32   | 27.75       | 37.69   | 27.89       | 34.50   | 30.42       | 37.90   | 32.67       | 42.26   | 34.27       | 39.54   | 32.12       | 36.83   | 37.19       |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 5 yrs       | 58.39   | 51.06       | 63.29   | 51.93       | 65.50   | 51.89       | 63.28   | 55.61       | 66.96   | 56.57       | 66.00   | 57.42       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 6 yrs       | 65.08   | 57.42       | 71.26   | 61.90       | 70.76   | 58.49       | 71.07   | 64.84       | 72.17   | 63.15       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| <b>Combined*</b>  |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 1 yr        | 86.87   | 77.84       | 87.44   | 81.86       | 87.13   | 79.25       | 87.99   | 86.53       | 86.61   | 84.74       | 88.19   | 87.10       | 89.04   | 88.94       | 89.74   | 85.66       | 89.13   | 87.88       | 88.47   | 85.67       |  |
| After 2 yrs       | 82.40   | 69.94       | 82.85   | 76.65       | 83.04   | 75.24       | 83.76   | 81.05       | 82.60   | 77.70       | 83.64   | 81.02       | 83.68   | 86.93       | 82.41   | 78.09       | 84.26   | 80.30       |         |             |  |
| After 3 yrs       | 77.66   | 65.90       | 79.71   | 73.47       | 80.90   | 69.34       | 80.71   | 78.05       | 80.70   | 74.42       | 80.37   | 76.64       | 80.30   | 82.92       | 79.14   | 75.70       |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 4 yrs       | 72.91   | 63.59       | 75.85   | 70.75       | 76.80   | 67.21       | 78.17   | 71.32       | 78.43   | 69.95       | 77.95   | 74.46       | 75.52   | 77.39       |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 5 yrs       | 71.52   | 63.20       | 75.61   | 66.44       | 73.88   | 63.68       | 75.63   | 68.83       | 77.05   | 66.43       | 75.82   | 68.61       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |
| After 6 yrs       | 69.83   | 62.62       | 75.37   | 66.44       | 73.88   | 62.50       | 75.30   | 71.32       | 75.67   | 67.14       |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |  |

\* The "Combined" value is the sum of the "Continuing" and "Graduated" values.