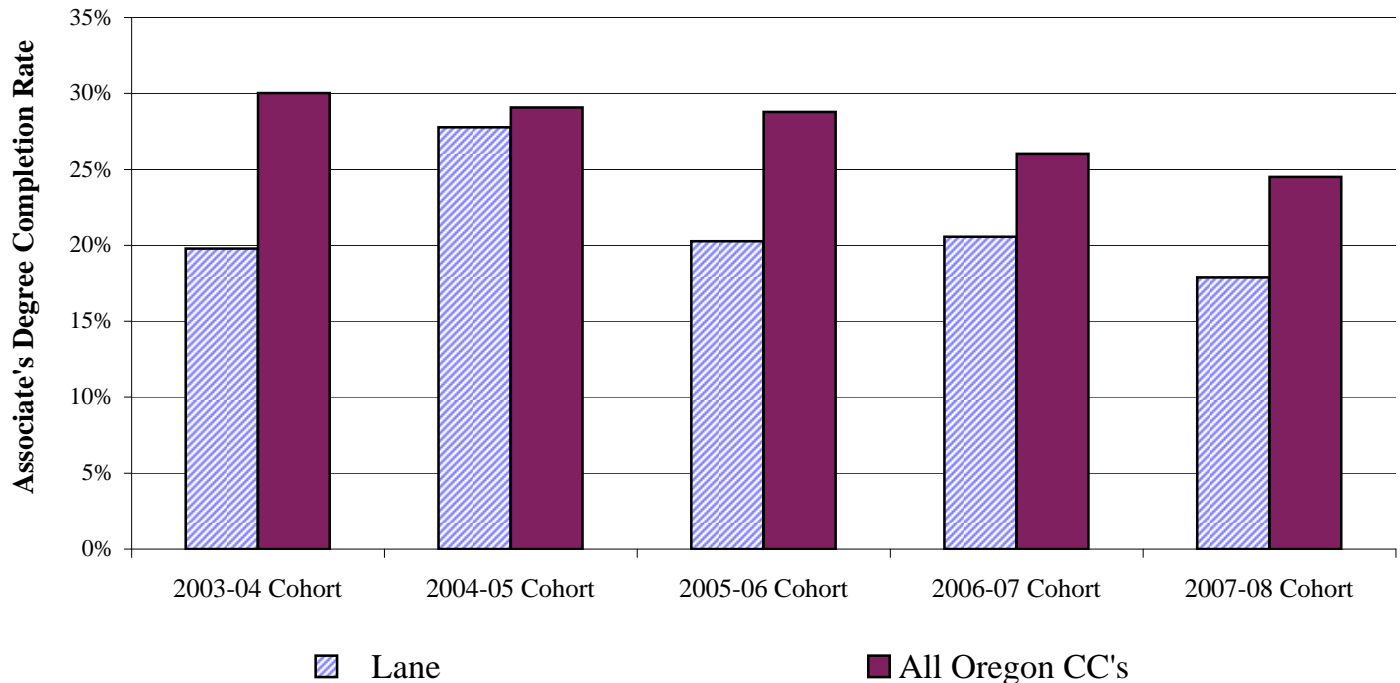


Key Performance Measures -- Oregon Community Colleges

CCWD KPM #13: Associate Degree Completion -- Percentage of Students in Associate's Degree Programs Who Obtain an Associate's Degree



- ◆ CCWD Key Performance Measure #13 -- Associate Degree Completion -- supports Oregon Benchmark #25: Postsecondary Credentials (Percent of Oregon adults, ages 25 and above, who have completed an associate's degree or other occupation-related credential).

Strategy: CCWD is actively working toward ensuring statewide transferability of postsecondary coursework towards degree requirements. Working in conjunction with community colleges, high schools, and OUS, CCWD aims to eliminate administrative and systemic barriers to transfer and degree completion.

What Needs to be Done: CCWD is developing several strategies to increase associate's degree completion rates. To facilitate student transfers and simplify degree auditing, CCWD plans to help individual community colleges enhance their degree audit systems and link them to the Articulated Transfer Linked Audit System (ATLAS). Access to and awareness of financial aid are other critical components to improving degree completion rates. CCWD and community colleges are working together to increase the number of community college students, especially part-time students, who take advantage of the financial aid available to them through various federal, state and private resources.

Notes: For KPM #13, the cohort includes the unduplicated count of all fall term credit students with no previous associate's degree and enough earned credits to possibly complete an associate's degree by end of spring term. The percentage is calculated by identifying the number of these students who do complete an associate's degree by end of spring term (numerator). Students are identified as having "enough credits to potentially complete an associate's degree" according to their enrollment status in the fall term of the year under consideration (denominator).

Data Sources: ODCCWD, Oregon Community Colleges Key Performance Measure Results by College (March 29, 2010). ODCCWD Annual Performance Progress Report for Fiscal Year 2006-07 located at <http://www.oregon.gov/CCWD/pdf/AnnualPerformanceProgressReport07.pdf>

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