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# Matriculation Report

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## College Counseling

## MISSION

The Princeton High School College & Career Counseling Program is dedicated to empowering all students to explore and pursue meaningful postsecondary pathways that align with their individual strengths, interests, and goals. We provide personalized guidance, resources, and support to help students navigate a wide range of options—including four-year colleges, two-year colleges, technical and vocational programs, employment opportunities, gap year experiences, and other postsecondary endeavors.

Our mission is to foster a culture of equity, access, and informed decision-making, ensuring every student feels seen, supported, and confident as they transition from high school to their next chapter—whatever that may be.

# PHS CLASS of 2025

## Highlights



396

# of Graduates

29-3

# states/countries (outside of the US) where graduates are attending

371

# colleges/universities where graduates were accepted

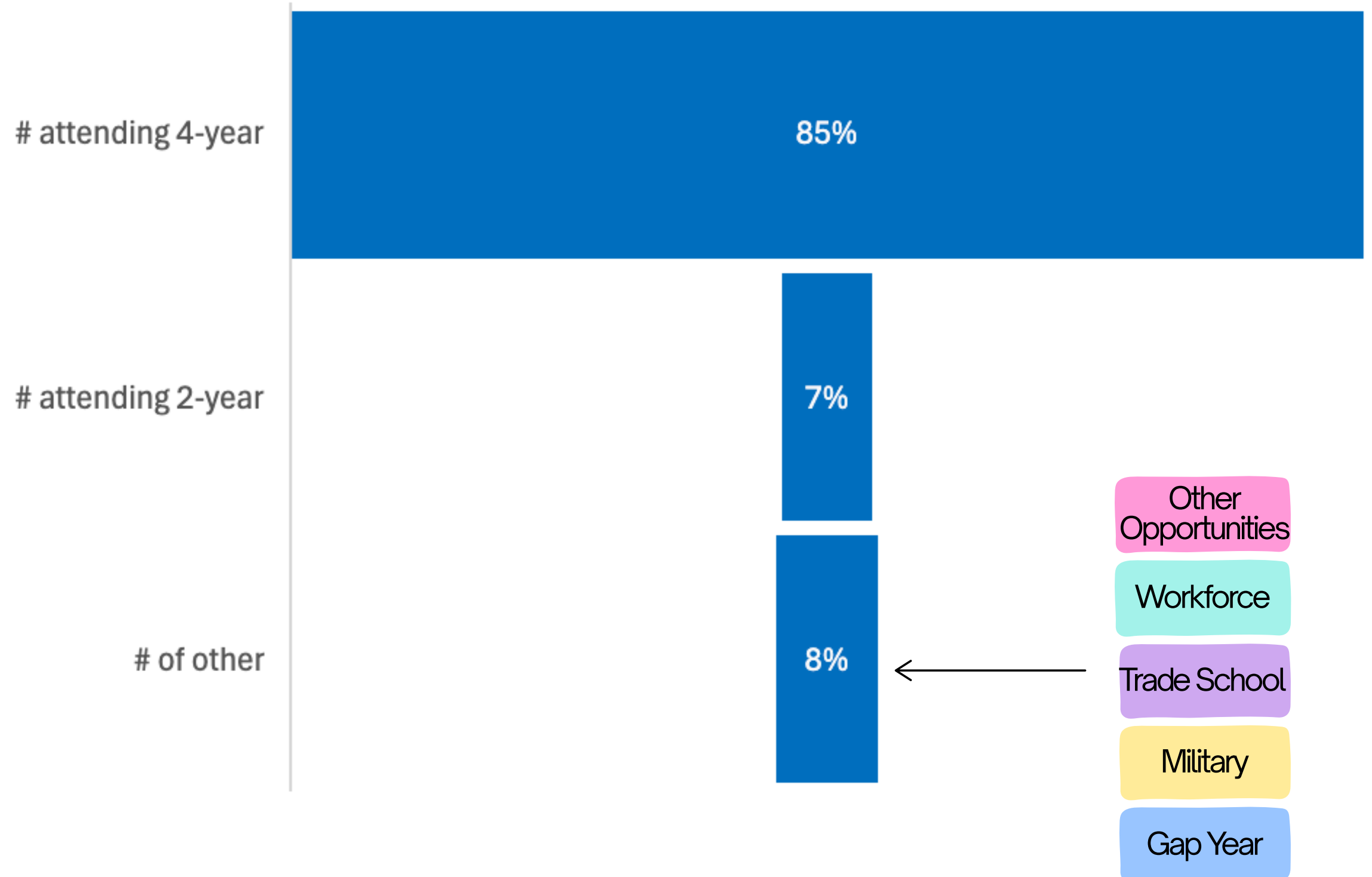
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# colleges/universities where graduates are attending

# PHS CLASS of 2025

## Post Graduation Placement

**92%**  
of PHS graduates are  
pursing higher education  
directly after graduation



# Placement By College Type

College Type	# of Enrollments
<b>4-Year College</b>	
Public In-State	51
Public Out-of State	84
Public Out-of Country	10
Private Not for Profit In-State	25
Private Not for Profit Out-of-State	166
Private Out-of-Country	2
<b>2-Year College</b>	
Public In-State	24
Public Out of state	2
Private For-profit Out-of-State	2

# Most *Applied-to* Colleges and Universities

College Name	Number of Apps Submitted
Rutgers University (New Brunswick)	186
Princeton University	82
Northeastern University	75
University of Michigan	70
Penn State University (University Park)	68
Boston University	64
Cornell University	64
University of Pittsburgh (Pittsburgh)	62
New York University	61
University of Pennsylvania	57
University of Virginia (Main Campus)	51
Columbia University	46
University of Maryland (College Park)	45

College Name	Number of Apps Submitted
Emory University	37
University of California (Berkeley)	37
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	37
University of Wisconsin (Madison)	37
Yale University	37
Purdue University (Main Campus)	36
The College of New Jersey	36
University of California (Los Angeles)	36
University of Vermont	35
Brown University	34
Lehigh University	33
University of California (San Diego)	32
Boston College	31
Johns Hopkins University	31
Syracuse University	31
Duke University	30
Georgia Institute of Technology	30
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	30

## Key Insights

- Rutgers is the most applied-to university by PHS students

## Overall College Applications

- Apps Per Student (average): 9.03
- Number of Unique Colleges/Universities PHS Students Applied to: 437



# Most Attended Universities and Colleges

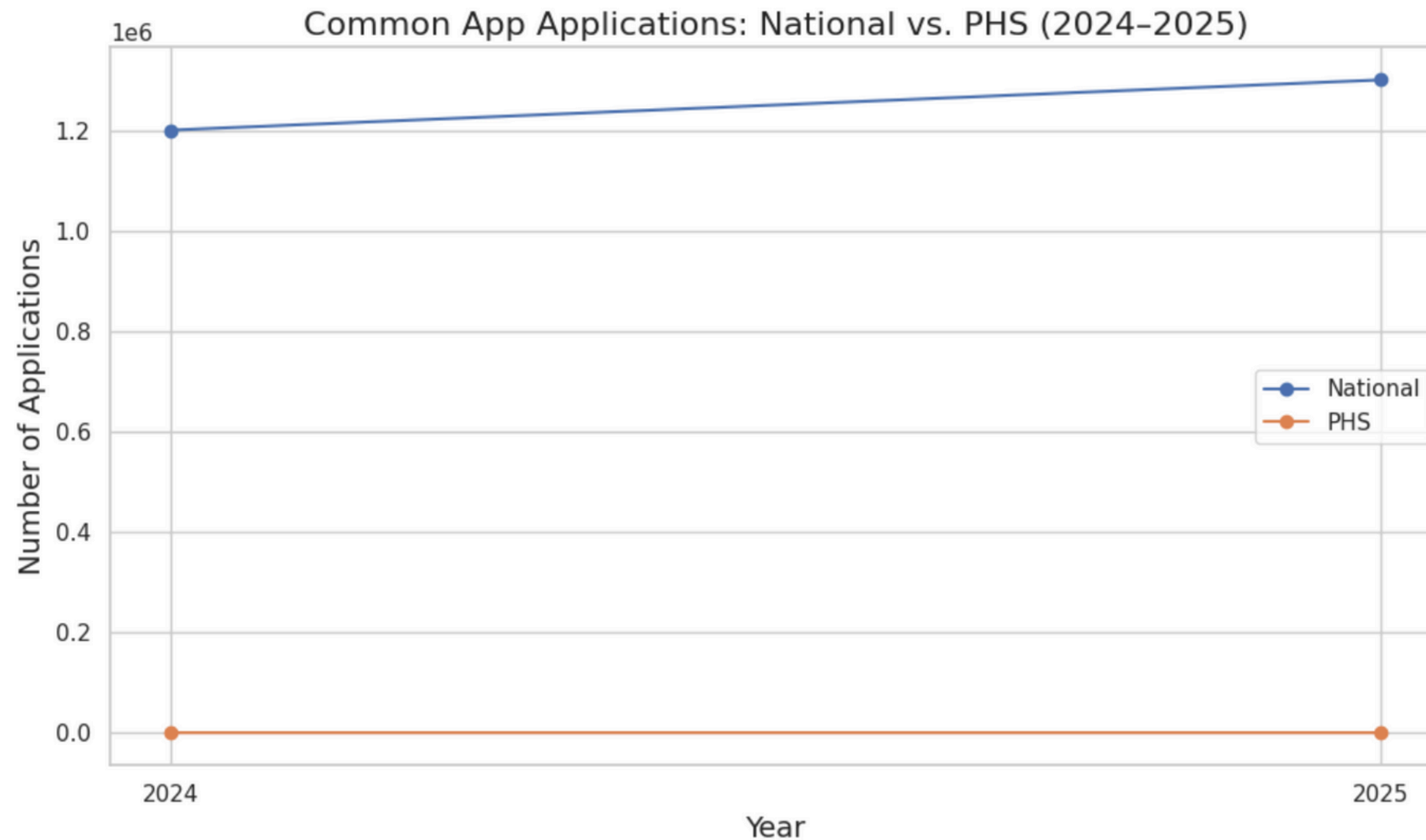
College Name	Number of Apps Submitted	Number of Acceptances	Admission Rate	Number of Enrollments
Rutgers University (New Brunswick)	186	140	75%	31
Mercer County Community College	27	27	100%	24
Princeton University	82	19	23%	17
New York University	61	23	37%	13
George Washington University	25	16	64%	7
Syracuse University	31	25	80%	7
The College of New Jersey	36	28	77%	7
Northeastern University	75	40	53%	6
University of Michigan	70	15	21%	6
Lehigh University	33	15	45%	5
University of Connecticut	26	19	73%	5
University of Pennsylvania	57	8	14%	5
University of Vermont	35	26	74%	5
University of Wisconsin (Madison)	37	16	43%	5
William & Mary	16	9	56%	5

## Key Insights

- About half of the most frequently attended colleges are public universities
- Rutgers University continues to be the most applied to and the most attended college followed by MCCC



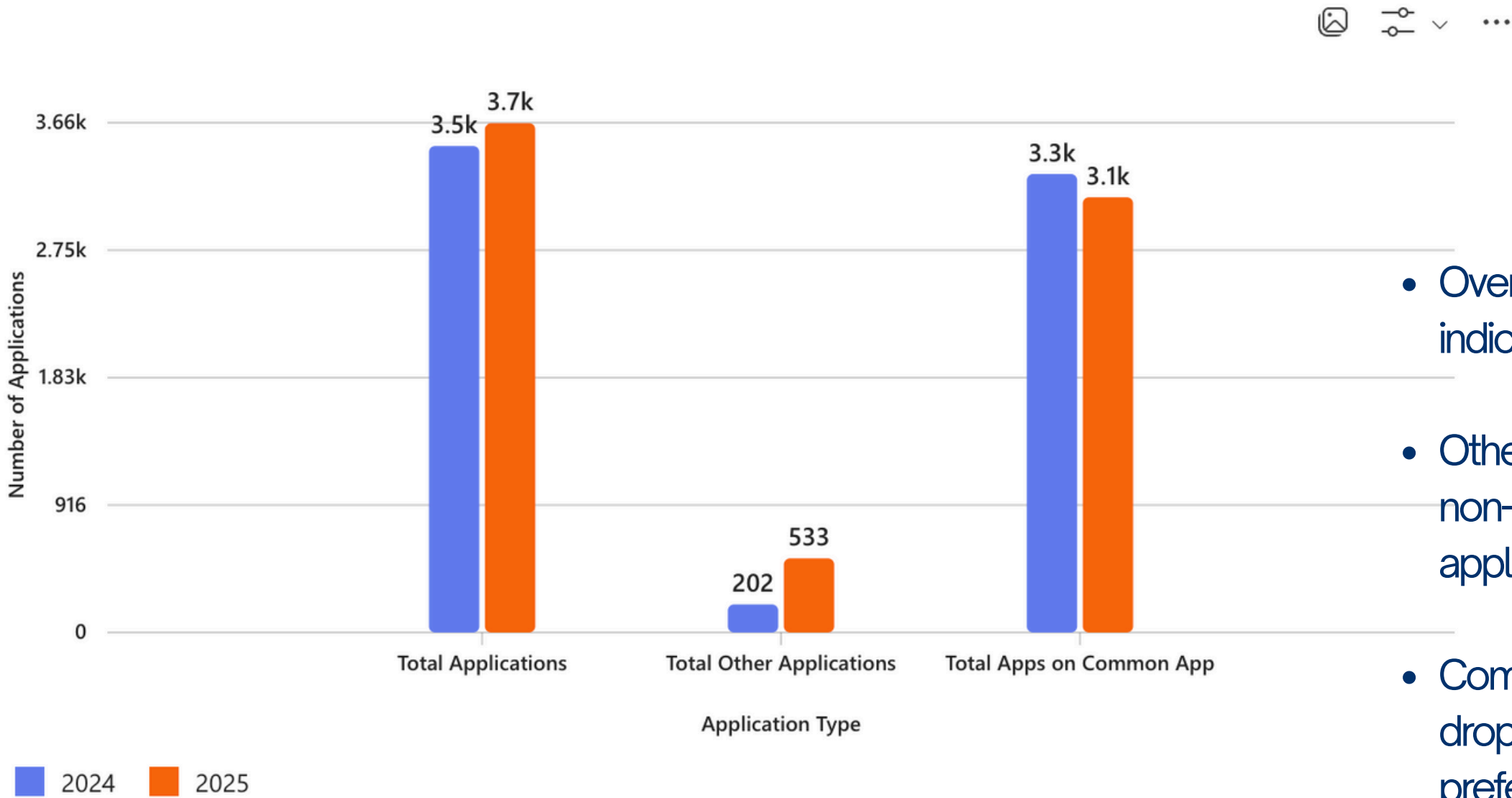
# Application Analysis National vs. PHS



## Key Insights

- National Applications rose from 9,472,240 to 10,139,579, a 7% increase, reflecting continued growth in college-bound applicants.
- PHS Applications via the Common App dipped slightly, but increased on the number of applications submitted directly to the college or via the Coalition App. This may align with the national trend of more students applying to public universities which typically have their own application

# PHS Application Analysis-Common App vs. Other Apps 2024 vs. 2025



### Key Insights

- Overall Growth: Total applications increased by 4.7%, indicating a modest rise in interest or outreach.
- Other Applications Surge: There was a massive increase in non-Common App applications, suggesting a shift in application platforms or strategies.
- Common App Decline: Applications via the Common App dropped by 5.1%, which could reflect changing preferences.

	2024	2025
Total PHS Applications	3497	3660
Total Other Applications	202	532
Total Apps on Common App	3295	3128

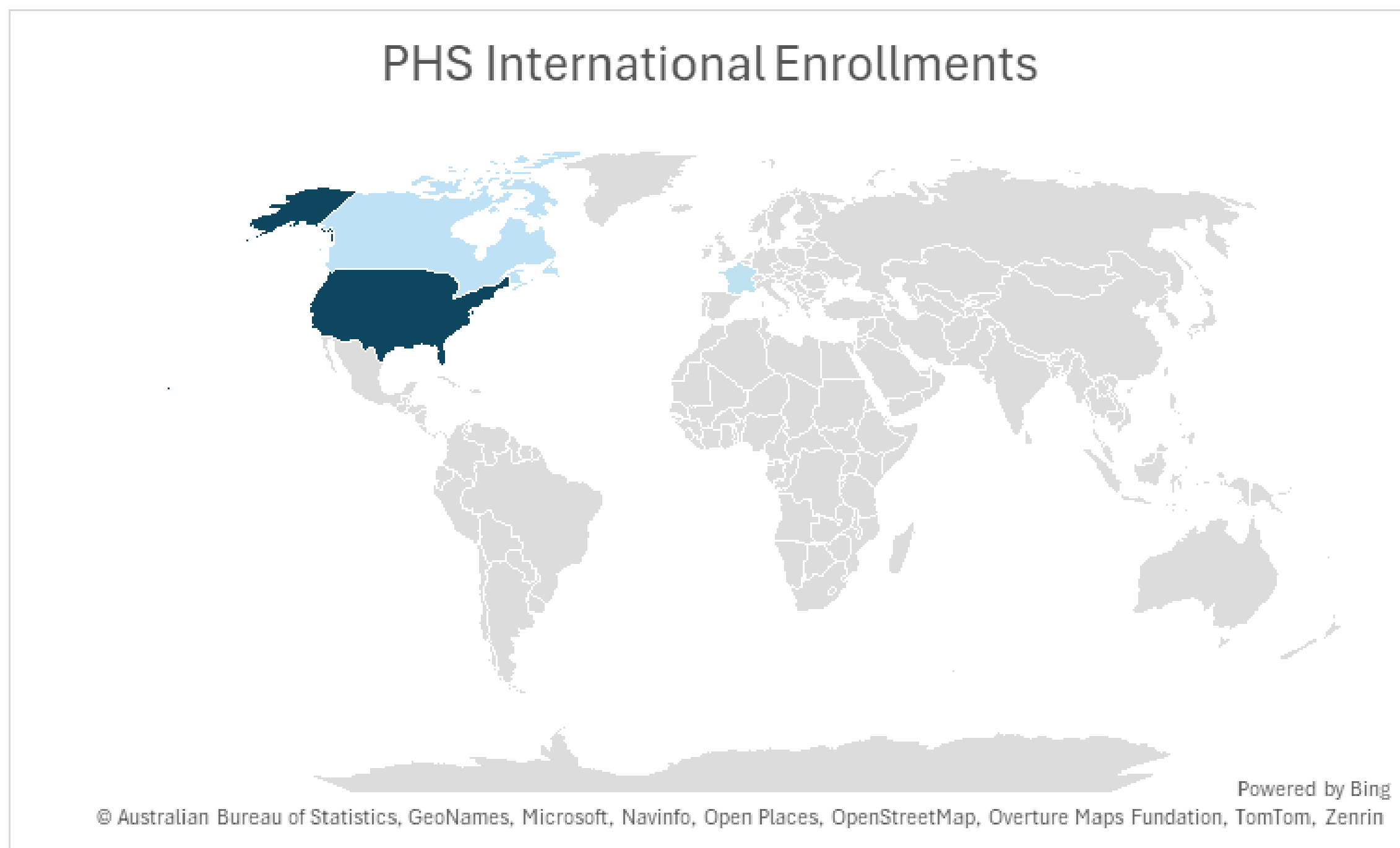
# Application Type Analysis for Accepted Students 2024 vs. 2025

Application Plan	2024	2025	% Change
Early Action	548	747	36%
Regular Decision	475	640	35%
Rolling	190	266	40%
Early Decision	66	61	-8%
Early Action II	12	13	8%
Priority	22	24	9%
Early Decision II	11	17	55%
Restrictive Early Action	12	17	42%
Early Action III	0	1	0%
Early Action IV	0	1	0%
Other	0	4	0%

## Key Insights

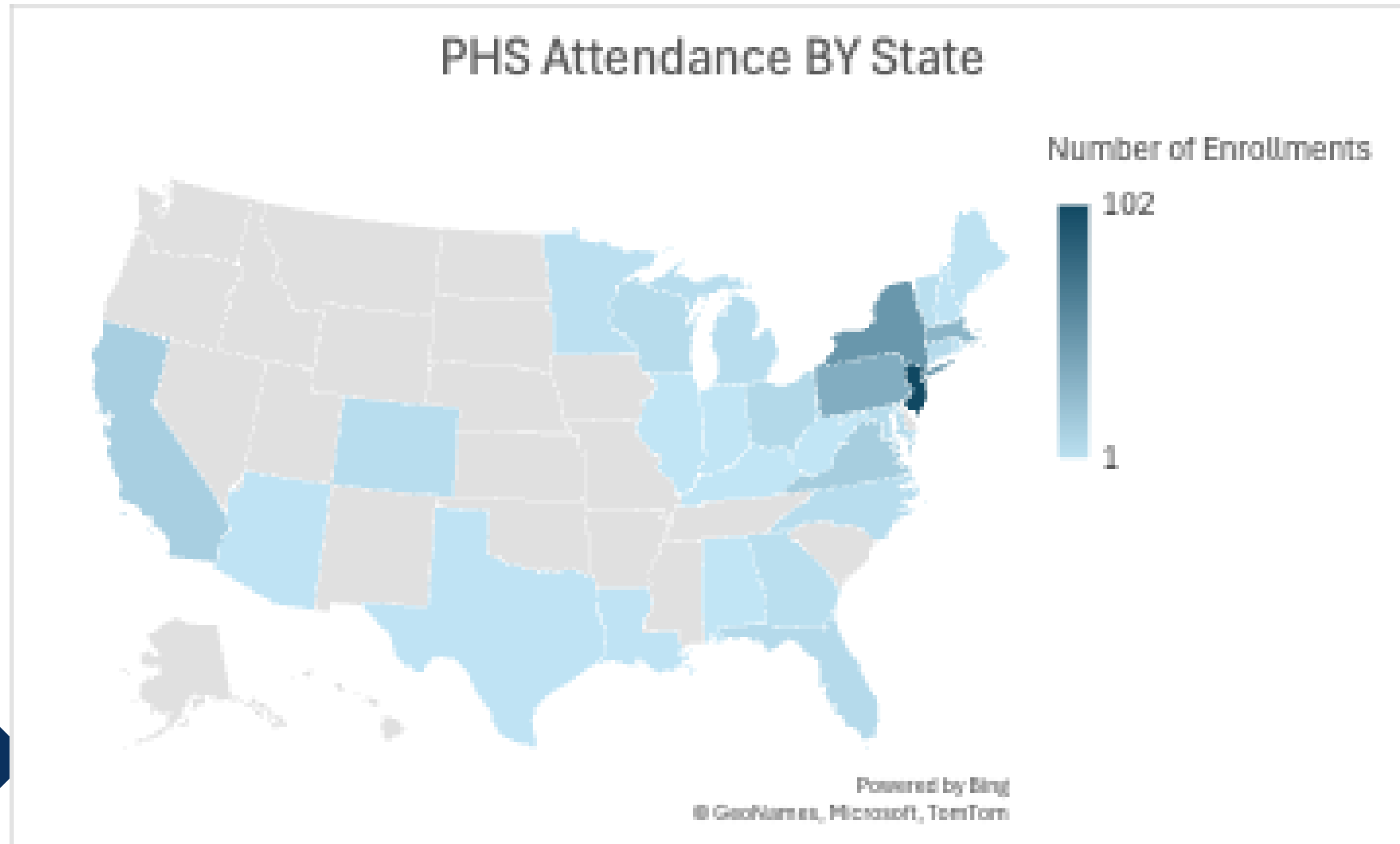
- Strong Growth in Early Action, Regular Decision, and Rolling applications suggests students are applying earlier and more broadly.
- Early Decision saw a slight decline, possibly indicating a shift away from binding commitments.
- Emerging Categories like Early Action III/IV (Auburn University) and “Other” show new or previously unused options gaining traction.
- Early Decision II and Restrictive Early Action had significant percentage increases, though from smaller bases.

# Where in the World are 2025 PHS Graduates ?



Country	# of Students Attending
Canada	7
France	2
Scotland	3

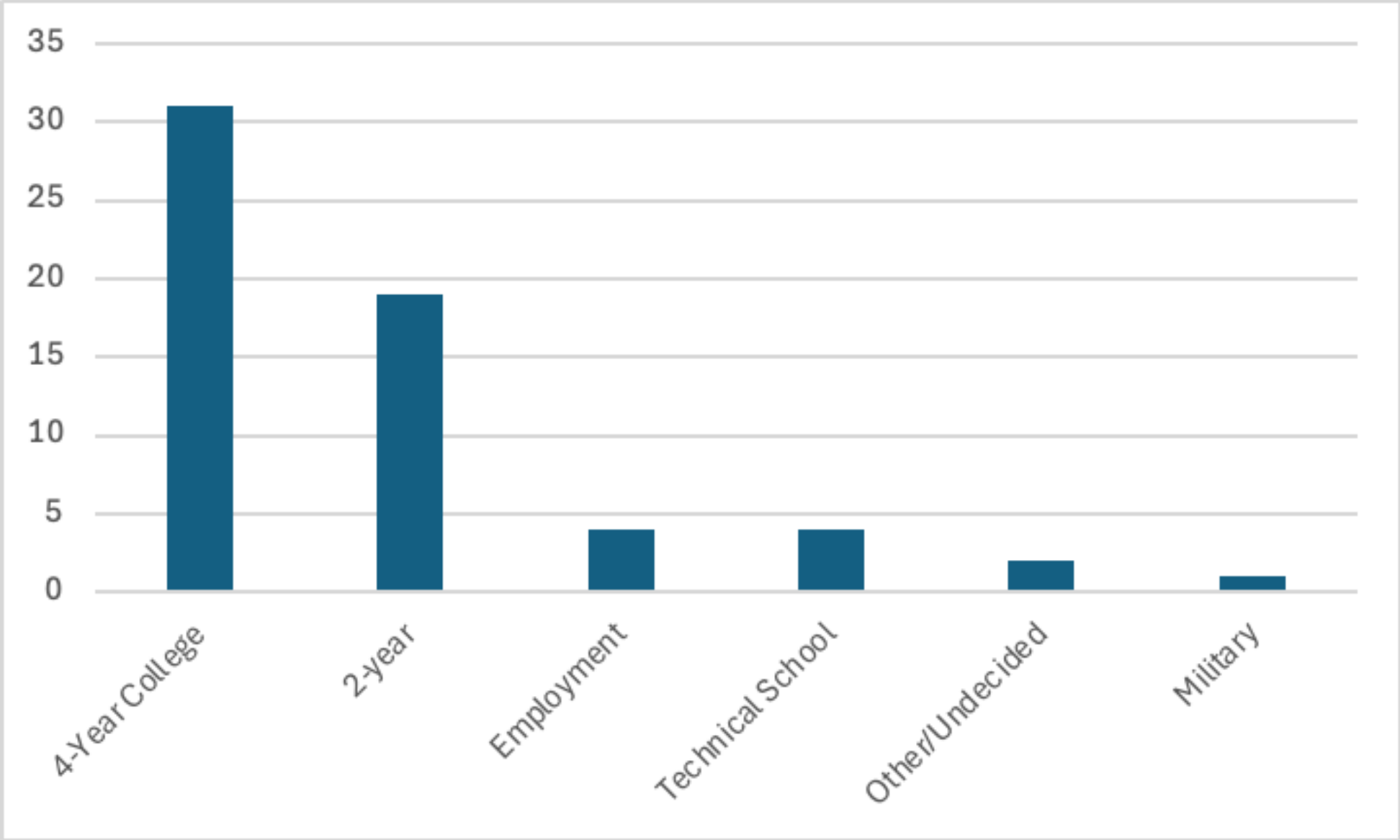
# 2025 PHS Student Enrollment by U.S. State



## [PHS Matriculations by State](#)

\*click on the link above for a detailed breakdown of colleges by state

# Under Resourced Students Post Graduation Placement



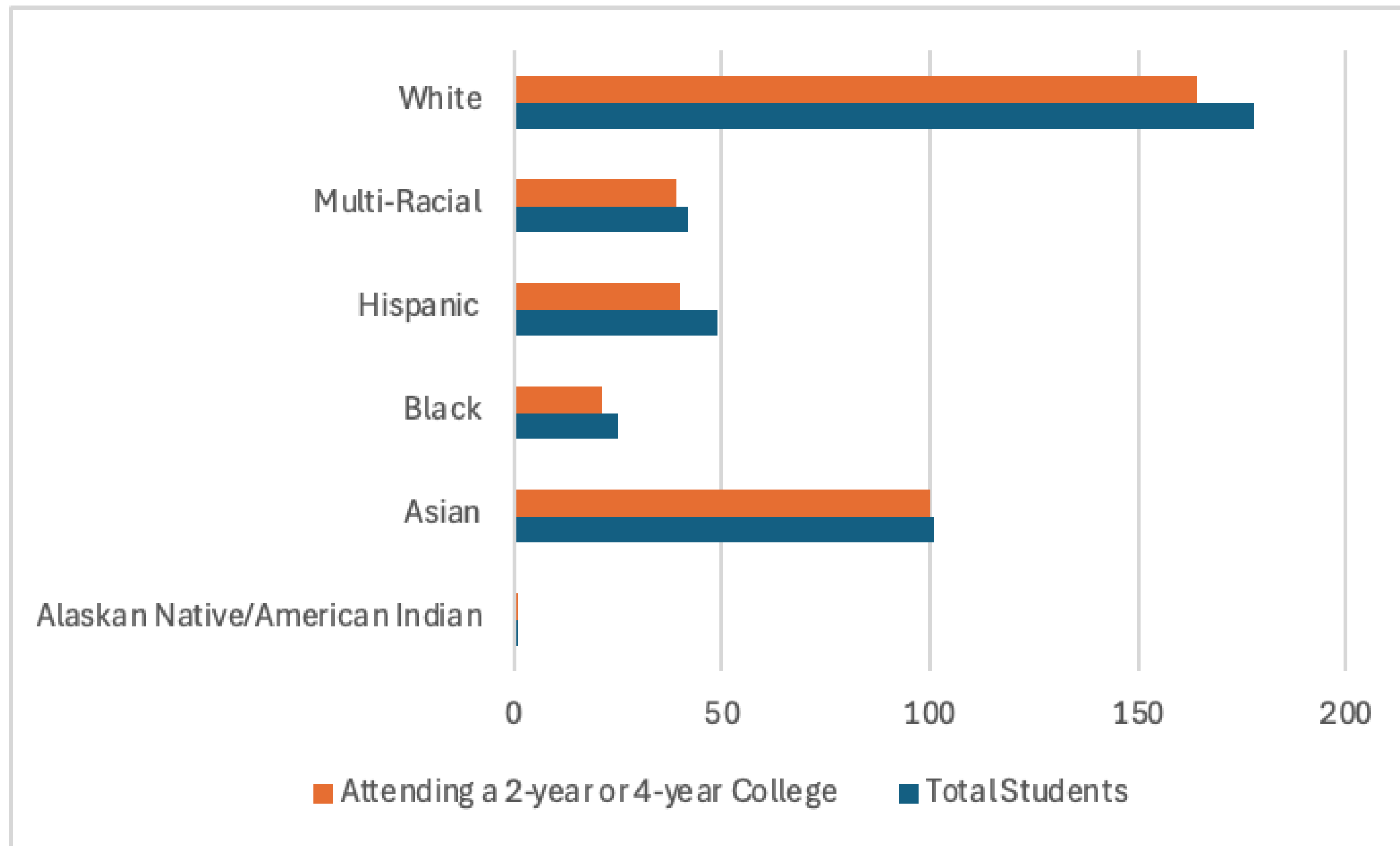
Type of Placement	Total	Percent
4-Year College	31	51%
2-year	19	31%
Employment	4	7%
Technical School	4	7%
Other/Undecided	2	3%
Military	1	1%
Total	61	100%

### Key Insights

- Majority (82%) of students are pursuing higher education, with 4-Year College being the most popular path.
- Career-focused paths like Employment and Technical School account for 14%, indicating a meaningful portion of students opting for direct entry into the workforce or vocational training.
- This dataset represents all students who are currently enrolled in the Free and Reduced Lunch program



# PHS Ethnicity Breakdown

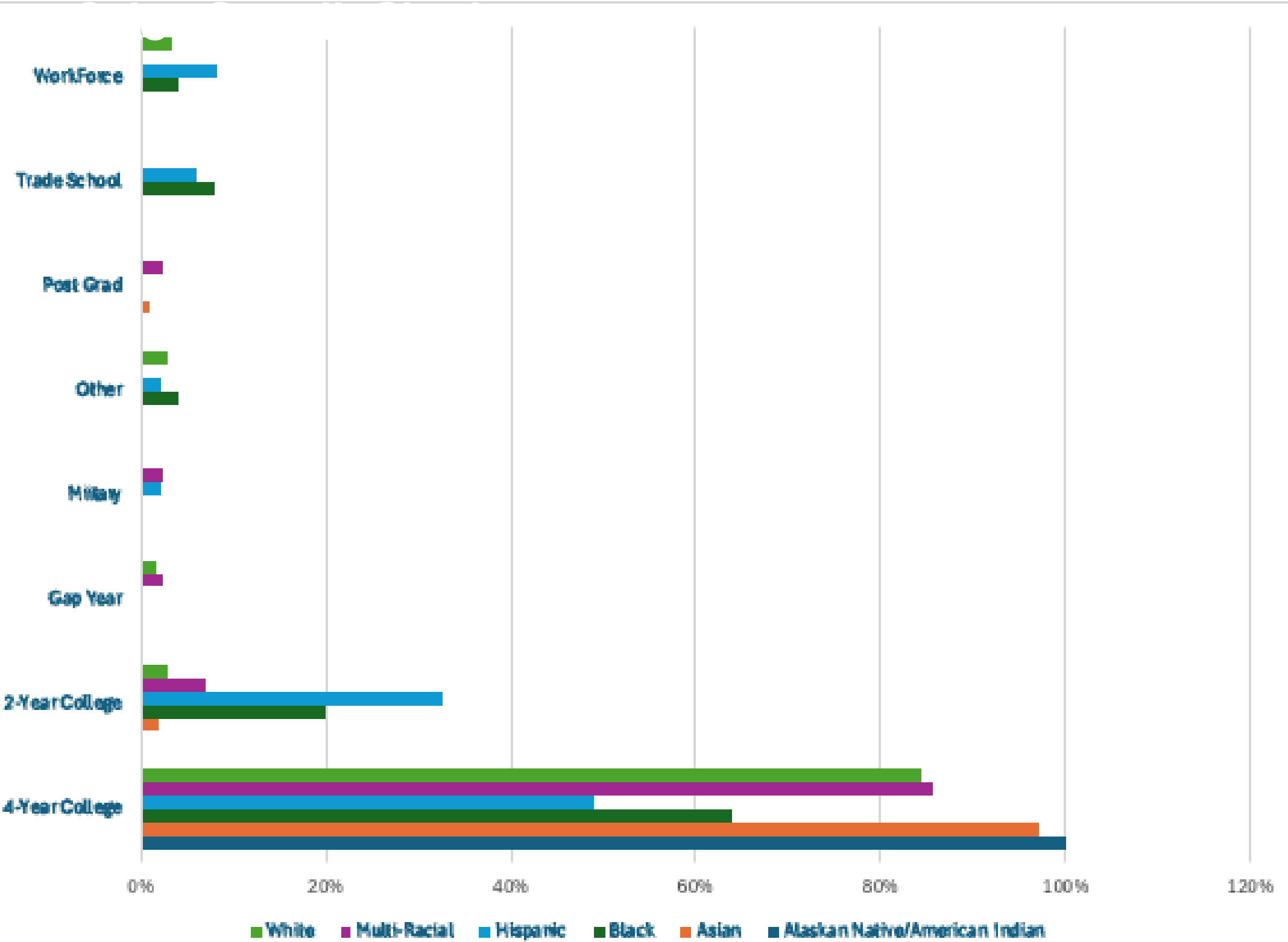


<u>Ethnicity</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Alaskan Native/American Indian	1	0.3%
Asian	101	25.5%
Black	25	6.3%
Hispanic	49	12.4%
Multi-Racial	42	10.6%
White	178	44.9%

# Post Graduation Placement By Ethnicity

	Alaskan Native/American Indian	Asian	Black	Hispanic	Multi-Racial	White	TOTAL
<b>4-Year College</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>334</b>
<b>2-Year College</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Gap Year</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Military</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Post Grad</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Trade School</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>WorkForce</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>396</b>

# Post Graduation Placement By Ethnicity



Ethnicity	Total Students	Attending a 2-year or 4 year college	Attendance Rate (%)
Alaskan Native/American Indian	1	1	100%
Asian	101	100	99%
Black	25	21	84%
Hispanic	49	40	82%
Multi-Racial	42	39	93%
White	178	164	92%

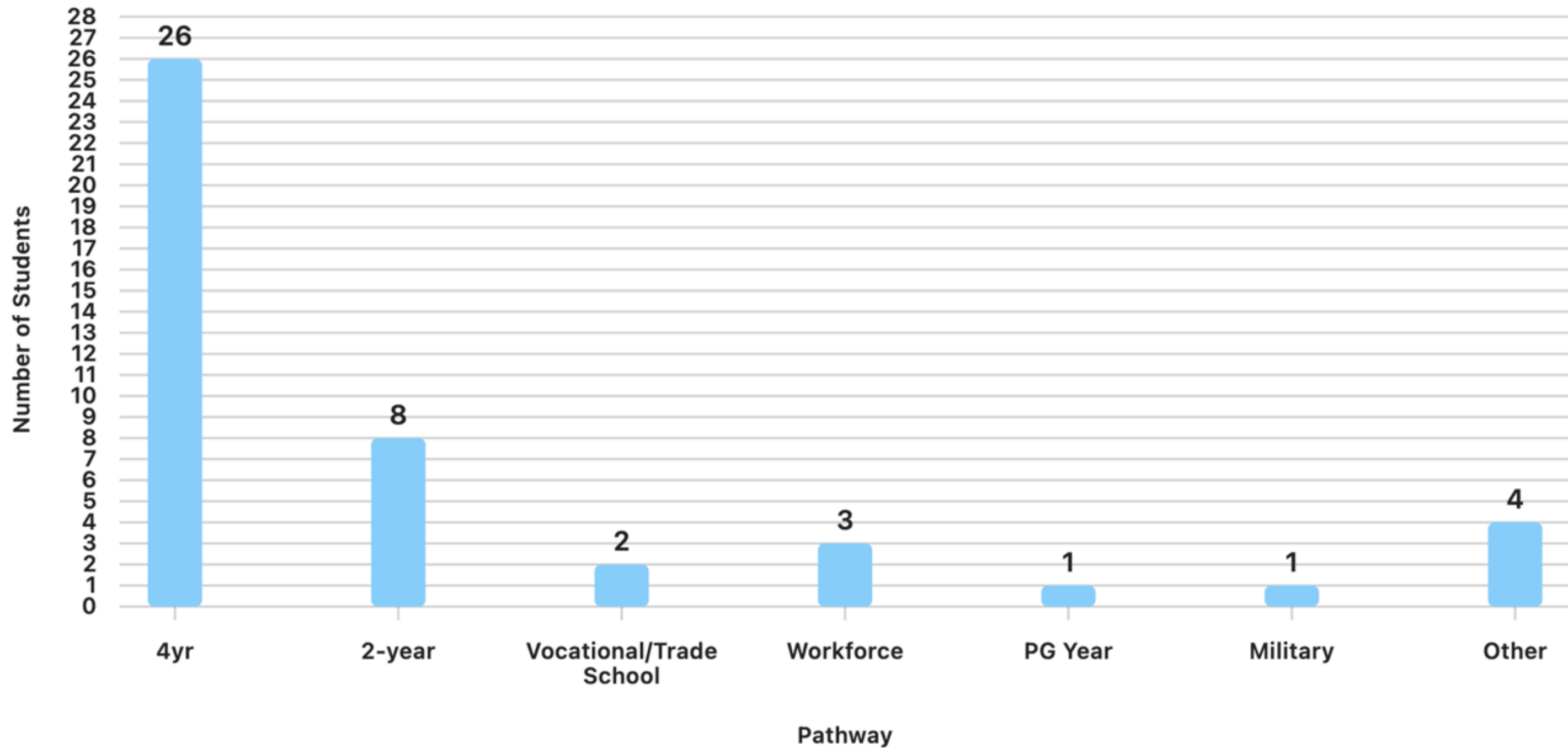
### Key Insights

- Black and Hispanic students demonstrate robust engagement in post-secondary education, with 84% and 82% respectively attending either a 2-year or 4-year college
- Multi-Racial and White students also have high attendance rates at or above 92%.
- Asian students have 99% post-secondary attendance rate

# Post Graduation Placement For Students with an IEP

Pathway	Number of Students	Percentage
4-year	26	58%
2-year	8	18%
Vocational/Trade School	2	4%
Workforce	3	7%
PG Year	1	2%
Military	1	2%
Other	4	9%

# Post Graduation Placement For Students with an IEP



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