How does the Lone Star College System compare with other community colleges of like size and organizational structure? Below are colleges used in the comparison of nine critical areas listed on the back of this page.
## Student Headcount
### Fall 2012
- **Dallas:** 84,684
- **Lone Star:** 77,877
- **Mesa:** 70,350
- **Miami Dade:** 62,377
- **Alamo:** 58,908
- **Austin:** 51,864
- **Cuyahoga:** 50,439
- **Houston:** 43,315
- **Tarrant:** 42,735
- **S. Nevada:** 36,066
- **Riverside:** 30,065
- **Valencia:** 25,024

Number of students served for credit classes.

## Tuition and Fees per Credit Hour
### Fall 2012
- **N. Virginia:** $145
- **Miami Dade:** $114
- **Broward:** $106
- **Valencia:** $99
- **Cuyahoga:** $98
- **S. Nevada:** $90
- **Austin:** $84
- **Houston:** $81
- **Alamo:** $69
- **Riverside:** $68
- **Lone Star:** $59
- **Tarrant:** $55
- **Dallas:** $52
- **Mesa:** $46

The cost per credit hour is based on FT credit load of 12 hours, including all applicable fees.

## Administrative Costs % of Budget FY 2011–2012
- **Valencia:** 18%
- **Houston:** 18%
- **Cuyahoga:** 16%
- **N. Virginia:** 16%
- **Riverside:** 16%
- **Miami Dade:** 13%
- **Broward:** 14%
- **Austin:** 14%
- **Dallas:** 14%

Percentage of the budget expenditures dedicated to administrative costs.

## Minorities Students
### Fall 2011
- **Miami Dade:** 87%
- **Houston:** 77%
- **Dallas:** 70%
- **Broward:** 66%
- **Alamo:** 66%
- **Riverside:** 65%
- **Lone Star:** 52%
- **Valencia:** 51%
- **Tarrant:** 49%
- **N. Virginia:** 49%
- **S. Nevada:** 46%
- **Austin:** 41%
- **Cuyahoga:** 39%
- **Mesa:** 34%

Students served whose ethnicity fell under the US Census Bureau’s Classification of Minority Classification of Federal Data on Race and Ethnicity (Black, Hispanic, Asian, American Indian/Alaskan Native).

## Student Faculty Ratio
### Fall 2011
- **Broward:** 30:1
- **S. Nevada:** 28:1
- **Riverside:** 28:1
- **Tarrant:** 26:1
- **Mesa:** 24:1
- **Miami Dade:** 24:1
- **Alamo:** 24:1
- **N. Virginia:** 23:1
- **Dallas:** 20:1
- **Cuyahoga:** 19:1
- **Lone Star:** 17:1
- **Tarrant:** 17:1
- **Austin:** 17:1

Student Faculty Ratio is student FTE divided by the faculty FTE. FTE is the number of full-time added to one-third the number of part-time.

## Transfer Rate - 2008 Cohort
### Fall 2011
- **Austin:** 38%
- **Dallas:** 36%
- **Houston:** 26%
- **Cuyahoga:** 26%
- **Lone Star:** 24%
- **Broward:** 24%
- **Tarrant:** 22%
- **Alamo:** 21%
- **Broward:** 20%
- **Riverside:** 16%
- **Miami Dade:** 16%
- **Valencia:** 14%
- **N. Virginia:** 13%
- **S. Nevada:** 13%
- **Cuyahoga:** 11%

Students from Fall term that transferred to a four year institution the following Spring.

## Full-time Faculty
### Fall 2011
- **Lone Star:** 1,903
- **Miami Dade:** 1,880
- **Austin:** 1,736
- **Houston:** 1,678
- **Dallas:** 1,619
- **N. Virginia:** 1,200
- **Austin:** 1,069
- **Tarrant:** 1,052
- **Cuyahoga:** 968
- **Broward:** 827
- **Valencia:** 807
- **S. Nevada:** 791
- **Riverside:** 664
- **Mesa:** 458

Instructors employed as full-time faculty.

## Full-time Persistence
### Fall 2011
- **Lone Star:** 69%
- **N. Virginia:** 69%
- **Houston:** 69%
- **Riverside:** 67%
- **Mesa:** 67%
- **Dallas:** 65%
- **Tarrant:** 58%
- **Alamo:** 59%
- **Austin:** 53%
- **Valencia:** 47%
- **S. Nevada:** 47%
- **Broward:** 47%
- **Miami Dade:** 47%

Students enrolled Fall term who re-enrolled the following Fall term.

## Part-time Persistence
### Fall 2011
- **Lone Star:** 56%
- **Riverside:** 49%
- **N. Virginia:** 49%
- **Houston:** 48%
- **Dallas:** 47%
- **Tarrant:** 45%
- **Austin:** 44%
- **Alamo:** 39%
- **Mesa:** 38%
- **Cuyahoga:** 36%
- **Valencia:** 36%
- **S. Nevada:** 36%
- **Broward:** 36%
- **Miami Dade:** 36%

Students enrolled Fall term who re-enrolled the following Fall term.