Common App in Arkansas

First-Year Application Data
2020–2021

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11,012 Applications submitted

2,363 Unique applicants

589 Unique colleges and universities applied to (out of 919)

Destination of Applications

- 85% Out-of-State
- 15% In-State

Percent of applications to all Common App member colleges and universities by Arkansas applicants
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48% Applications submitted with fee waiver or no fee

71% Applications submitted with a test score

Comparison

Applications submitted with fee waiver or no fee: 48% (Arkansas), 46% (All Applicants)

Applications submitted with a test score: 71% (Arkansas), 37% (All Applicants)
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Applicants by Race/Ethnicity
- Asian 7%
- Latinx 10%
- Nonresident Alien 1%
- Unknown 2%
- Black or African American 14%
- Native American 0%
- Two or More Races 6%
- White 60%

Applicants by Sex
- 41% Male
- 59% Female

Applicants by First-Generation Status
- 70% Not first-generation
- 30% First-generation
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Top receiving institutions nationally from applicants in Arkansas (descending)

- University of Arkansas
- Hendrix College
- Vanderbilt University
- Louisiana State University A&M-Baton Rouge
- Arkansas State University
- Baylor University
- Washington University in St. Louis
- Harvard University
- Rhodes College
- Tulane University
- University of Colorado Boulder
- Duke University
- New York University
- Columbia University
- Ole Miss - The University of Mississippi
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Top applying counties in Arkansas (descending)

- Pulaski County
- Benton County
- Washington County
- Faulkner County
- Sebastian County
- Craighead County
- Saline County
- Lonoke County
- Crittenden County
- Garland County
- Mississippi County
- Crawford County
- Jefferson County
- Pope County
- Union County
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Year-over-year comparisons

+19% State annual change in applications

+19% State annual change in applicants
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Total comparisons, inclusive of all applicants and all countries

+19% State annual change in applications

+19% State annual change in applicants

+17% Total annual change in applications

+9% Total annual change in applicants