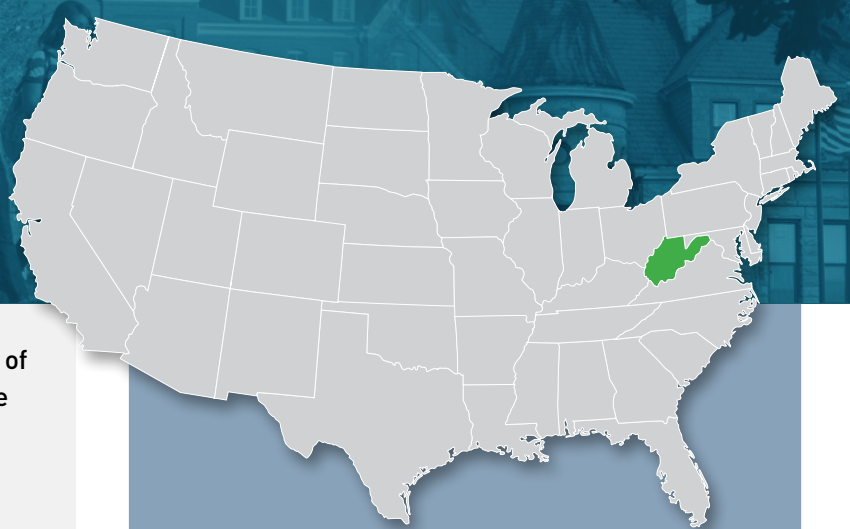


WEST VIRGINIA



The positive educational and economic impact of West Virginia's HBCUs is large and lasting. The numbers (based on 2016 data) tell the story.

KEY STATS:

- HBCUs comprise **10%** of the four-year institutions in the state
- Enroll **11%** of all black undergraduates at public and private four-year institutions
- Award **11%** of all bachelor's degrees earned by black students

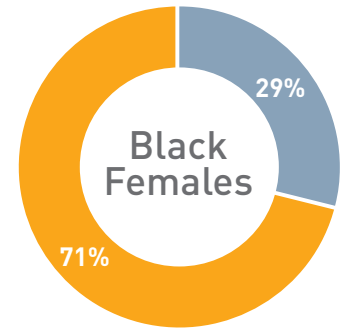
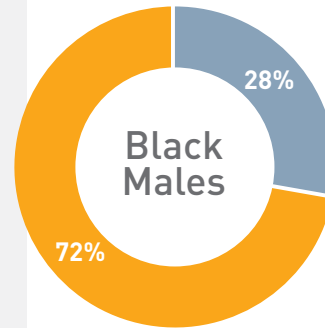
FOUR-YEAR HBCUs IN WEST VIRGINIA

- Bluefield State College
- West Virginia State University

There are two historically black colleges and universities in West Virginia. While these two institutions are designated as HBCUs because of their historical development, the majority of their enrolled students are not black. African Americans make up less than 10 percent of the undergraduate student body (8 percent) at Bluefield State College⁷ and are only 10 percent of the undergraduate student body at West Virginia State University.⁸

ENROLLMENT:

- **455**: Total number of black undergraduates enrolled at an HBCU in the state
- **10%**: Percentage of black male undergraduates enrolled at a four-year HBCU in West Virginia
- **14%**: Percentage of black female undergraduates enrolled at a four-year HBCU in West Virginia



■ HBCU Students
■ Non-HBCU Students

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ECONOMIC IMPACT*:

- Total economic impact: West Virginia's two HBCUs generate **\$142 million** in total economic impact.
- Total employment impact: West Virginia's two HBCUs generate **1,366 jobs** for their local and regional economy.
- Total lifetime earnings for graduates: The **761** West Virginia HBCU graduates in 2014 can expect total earnings of **\$1.9 billion** over their lifetimes.

⁷ UNCF Patterson calculations using U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System.

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*The source of HBCU economic impact data in this report is Humphreys, J. (2017). *HBCUs Make America Strong: The Positive Economic Impact of Historically Black Colleges and Universities*. Washington, DC: UNCF Frederick D. Patterson Institute.