

SMCCCD Academic Success Rates

Student Right-to-Know (SRTK), 2013 – 2017

SMCCCD Academic Success Rate (SRTK Degree/Certificate + Transfer Rates)

College	SRTK Term				
	2010-2013	2011-2014	2012-2015	2013-2016	2014-2017
Cañada	34.6%	34.0%	25.3%	32.1%	32.9%
San Mateo	34.9%	34.0%	31.8%	43.3%	44.3%
Skyline	31.9%	27.8%	29.5%	40.5%	42.4%
Statewide	39.9%	40.1%	40.4%	39.6%	39.8%

Source: Federal Student Right-to-Know. Academic Success Rate is a local (SMCCCD) measure only which combines the SRTK Degree/Certificate and Transfer Rates and is not an official SRTK metric.

Note: SRTK, or Student Right-to-Know, is a "cohort" study; that is, a group of students who are first-time freshmen, who are enrolled full-time in a fall term, and are degree-seeking. Their outcomes are measured over a period of time. The outcomes that the two SRTK rates measure are Completion (the total number of students in the cohort who earn either a degree, a certificate, or who successfully completed a two-year-equivalent transfer-preparatory program) and Transfer (the total number of cohort non-completers who were identified as having enrolled in another institution). The tracking period of the cohorts is three (3) years, at which time the SRTK rates are calculated and made public.

SRTK has its merits in that it attempts to provide a standardized measure of college effectiveness nationwide. However, in order to fully understand what SRTK rates mean for a college, one should also know its limitations. First, the cohort group can be quite small compared to the entire community college population, and is therefore not fully representative of all educational activities at a college. Many community colleges do not have the primary mission of producing only transferable students. There can also be data collection issues involved in the acquisition of valid numbers used in deriving SRTK rates; since there is no central nationwide "clearinghouse" of transfer data, it is impossible to generate accurate transfer-out rates.

SRTK Rates are derived and reported yearly on the IPEDS-GRS, Integrated Postsecondary Educational Data System-Graduation Rate Survey). The IPEDS-GRS also tracks part-time student cohorts over a six (6) year period; however, full-time cohort status after 3 years is the only basis for calculating SRTK rates.

SMCCCD SRTK and Academic Success* Rates, 2010 – 2017

SRTK Term	College	SRTK Degree/ Certificate Rate	SRTK Transfer Rate	Academic Success Rate (Degree/Certificate+ Transfer Rates)
2007-2010	Cañada	13.0%	16.6%	29.5%
2007-2010	San Mateo	23.0%	16.9%	39.9%
2007-2010	Skyline	30.8%	12.3%	43.1%
2007-2010	Statewide	24.4%	15.2%	39.7%
2008-2011	Cañada	13.3%	18.1%	31.4%
2008-2011	San Mateo	18.2%	19.3%	37.5%
2008-2011	Skyline	20.3%	16.3%	36.6%
2008-2011	Statewide	24.6%	13.9%	38.5%
2009-2012	Cañada	11.7%	18.5%	30.2%
2009-2012	San Mateo	12.1%	16.5%	28.6%
2009-2012	Skyline	17.2%	16.0%	33.2%
2009-2012	Statewide	25.1%	14.0%	39.0%
2010-2013	Cañada	14.4%	20.1%	34.6%
2010-2013	San Mateo	13.9%	21.0%	34.9%
2010-2013	Skyline	17.2%	14.7%	31.9%
2010-2013	Statewide	26.3%	13.6%	39.9%
2011-2014	Cañada	15.9%	18.1%	34.0%
2011-2014	San Mateo	16.2%	17.8%	34.0%
2011-2014	Skyline	16.2%	11.6%	27.8%
2011-2014	Statewide	28.0%	12.1%	40.1%
2012-2015	Cañada	16.2%	9.1%	25.3%
2012-2015	San Mateo	21.4%	10.4%	31.8%
2012-2015	Skyline	21.2%	8.3%	29.5%
2012-2015	Statewide	29.5%	10.9%	40.4%
2013-2016	Cañada	26.0%	6.1%	32.1%
2013-2016	San Mateo	37.7%	5.6%	43.3%
2013-2016	Skyline	23.6%	16.9%	40.5%
2013-2016	Statewide	29.3%	10.3%	39.6%
2014-2017	Cañada	26.3%	6.6%	32.9%
2014-2017	San Mateo	39.1%	5.2%	44.3%
2014-2017	Skyline	35.4%	6.9%	42.4%
2014-2017	Statewide	30.4%	9.5%	39.8%

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