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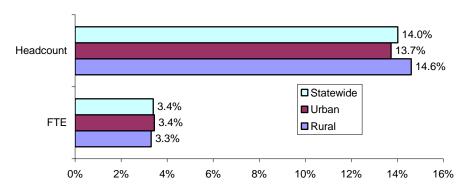
Re: Responses to Questions from Committee Members: 1/17/07

Community College Penetration

1. Representative Greenlick asked if there is a regional difference in community college penetration.

According to our estimates, the penetration rate of community colleges into their communities is similar for both urban and rural colleges. Rural community colleges have a slightly higher penetration rate per individual (ages 15-79) into their local communities.

Penetration of Community Colleges into Local Communities: Ages 15 through 79



<u>Urban community colleges include:</u> Chemeketa Community College, Clackamas Community College, Mt. Hood Community College, Lane Community College and Portland Community College.

Rural community colleges include: Blue Mountain Community College, Central Oregon Community College, Clatsop Community College, Columbia Gorge Community College, Klamath Community College, Linn-Benton Community College, Oregon Coast Community College, Rogue Community College, Southwestern Oregon Community College, Tillamook Bay Community College, Treasure Valley Community College and Umpqua Community College.



High School to Community College

2. Representative Greenlick asked if there is a difference of high school to community college enrollment urban and rural.

Currently there is not a "system" to match movement of high school students to community colleges. However in 2004 the following information was tracked. It has the number of June high school graduates who attended their local community college in the fall of 2004.

College	Total 2004 HS Graduates Enrolled in Community College in Fall 2004
Blue Mountain	186
Central	480
Columbia Gorge	43
Chemeketa	896
Clackamas	677
Clatsop	93
Klamath	55
Lane	952
Linn Benton	691
Mt. Hood	939
Oregon Coast	24
Portland	1,386
Rogue	380
Southwestern Oregon	294
Tillamook Bay	24
Treasure Valley	119
Umpqua	209
Statewide Total	7,448