

**TABLE 9-505**  
A COMPARISON OF RETENTION RATES  
AS PERCENTAGES OF FULL-TIME, FIRST-TIME FRESHMEN ENTERING IN  
FALL 1997 THROUGH FALL 2013  
University of Kansas  
Lawrence and Medical Center

Full-time First-time Freshmen	Fall <u>1997</u>	Fall <u>1998</u>	Fall <u>1999</u>	Fall <u>2000</u>	Fall <u>2001</u>	Fall <u>2002</u>	Fall <u>2003</u>	Fall <u>2004</u>	Fall <u>2005</u>	Fall <u>2006</u>	Fall <u>2007</u>	Fall <u>2008</u>	Fall <u>2009</u>	Fall <u>2010</u>	Fall <u>2011</u>	Fall <u>2012</u>	Fall <u>2013</u>
Initial Cohort*	3,808	3,702	3,790	4,128	4,029	4,022	3,984	4,193	4,122	4,094	4,034	4,441	3,897	3,492	3,495	3,653	3,898
Cohort minus Exclusions**	3,808	3,696	3,783	4,117	4,023	4,011	3,971	4,182	4,106	4,091	4,027	4,435	3,894	3,489	3,493	3,651	3,897
 Number of Years																	
1	77.6%	77.9%	80.3%	78.1%	81.0%	81.8%	82.7%	82.3%	80.6%	79.3%	79.7%	77.8%	79.3%	79.9%	79.2%	79.9%	80.4%
2	68.0	69.3	71.0	69.8	72.1	74.0	72.8	72.7	71.3	73.0	71.3	69.3	71.4	72.5	72.1	72.9	

At the end of the third year students begin graduating from their programs and the rate of students still enrolled no longer reflects the full retention rate.

\* Only full-time students are included. Full-time status is based on the number of hours enrolled (12 or more) during the initial semester at KU.

\*\* Beginning Fall 1998, students have been removed from the cohort based on federal regulations which allow exclusions for the following reasons: 1) student is deceased or is totally and permanently disabled, 2) student left school to serve in the armed forces or was called to active duty.