

**INFORMATION**  
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**Wisconsin Grant - UW**

Wisconsin Grant - UW committed 129.15% (\$75,354,656) of its appropriation with 38,169 calculated awards. This is 3,410 fewer calculated awards and 11.74% less committed than at this time last year. HEAB no longer applies "W" codes to waitlist Wisconsin Grant-UW applicants. Each campus has an allocation and they determine their own cut-off point for awards. In 2014-15, the program had committed 140.89% of its appropriation at this time. HEAB has received 3,945 fewer applicants than at this time last year.

**Wisconsin Grant - WTC**

Wisconsin Grant - WTC committed 180.51% (\$33,932,417) of its appropriation with 34,065 calculated awards. This is 1,490 fewer awards and 3.42% more committed than at this time last year. In 2014-15, the program had committed 177.09% of its appropriation at this time. HEAB has received 10,034 fewer applicants than at this time last year.

**Wisconsin Grant – Private, Non-Profit**

Wisconsin Grant - PNP has committed 163.15 % (\$43,838,874) of its appropriation with 15,504 awards. This is 127 more awards and 2.05% more committed than at this time last year. In 2014-15, the program had committed 161.10 % of its appropriation at this time. 2015-16 W codes were applied on September 23, 2015. When N coded awards are removed from the committed numbers, Wisconsin Grant - PNP has committed 116.58% (\$31,325,176) of its appropriation with 11,300 awards. Compared to last year's committed numbers with N coded awards removed, this is 313 more awards and 1.61% more committed. N codes may be applied to student awards for several reasons: the student is not attending the institution, the student is ineligible due to graduate level status, the student is attending an educational program that does not receive Wisconsin Grant - PNP funds, or the student's need has been met by other scholarships or grants.

**Wisconsin Grant - Tribal**

Wisconsin Grant-Tribal has committed 193% (\$875,190) of its appropriation with 525 awards. This is 28 more awards and 17.4% more committed than at this time last year. In 2014-15, the program had committed 175.6% of its appropriation at this time. For 2015-16, W codes were applied on August 26, 2015.

**Status of Applicants**

The number of applicants (first-time FAFSA filers who listed Wisconsin as their state of legal residence) for 2015-16 through February 16, 2016 is 298,876. Last year at this time there were 322,500 applicants.