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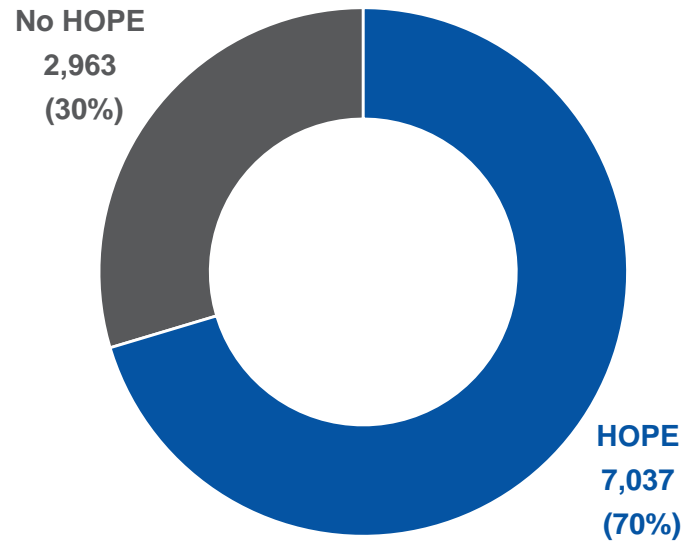
HOPE Scholarship Diagnostic Report

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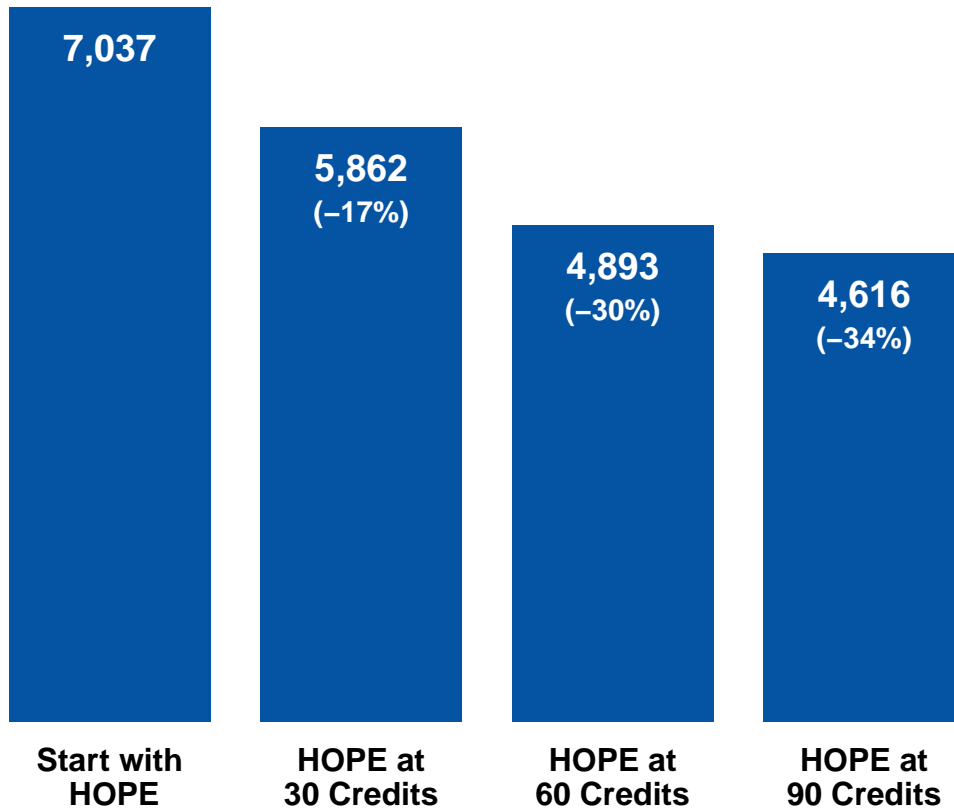
Introduction

The HOPE scholarship is awarded to Georgia residents who demonstrate academic excellence and offers financial support to students by covering part of their tuition at eligible higher education institutions. However, many students who begin their studies with the HOPE scholarship eventually lose it. Moreover, students who lose the scholarship graduate at much lower rates compared to students who retain the scholarship. This pattern highlights the importance of the HOPE scholarship as an “access” scholarship, providing key financial support that helps students stay enrolled and graduate. Analyzing data to determine (1) how many students lose the scholarship at different credit hour checkpoints, (2) gaps in scholarship retention between different student groups, and (3) differences in graduation rates between HOPE and non-HOPE students can provide valuable insights into this key student success area. The cohorts in this report consist of first-time freshmen, Bachelor’s Degree seeking HOPE-eligible students who enrolled in Fall terms from 2013 to 2018 (6-year graduation years of 2019 to 2024).

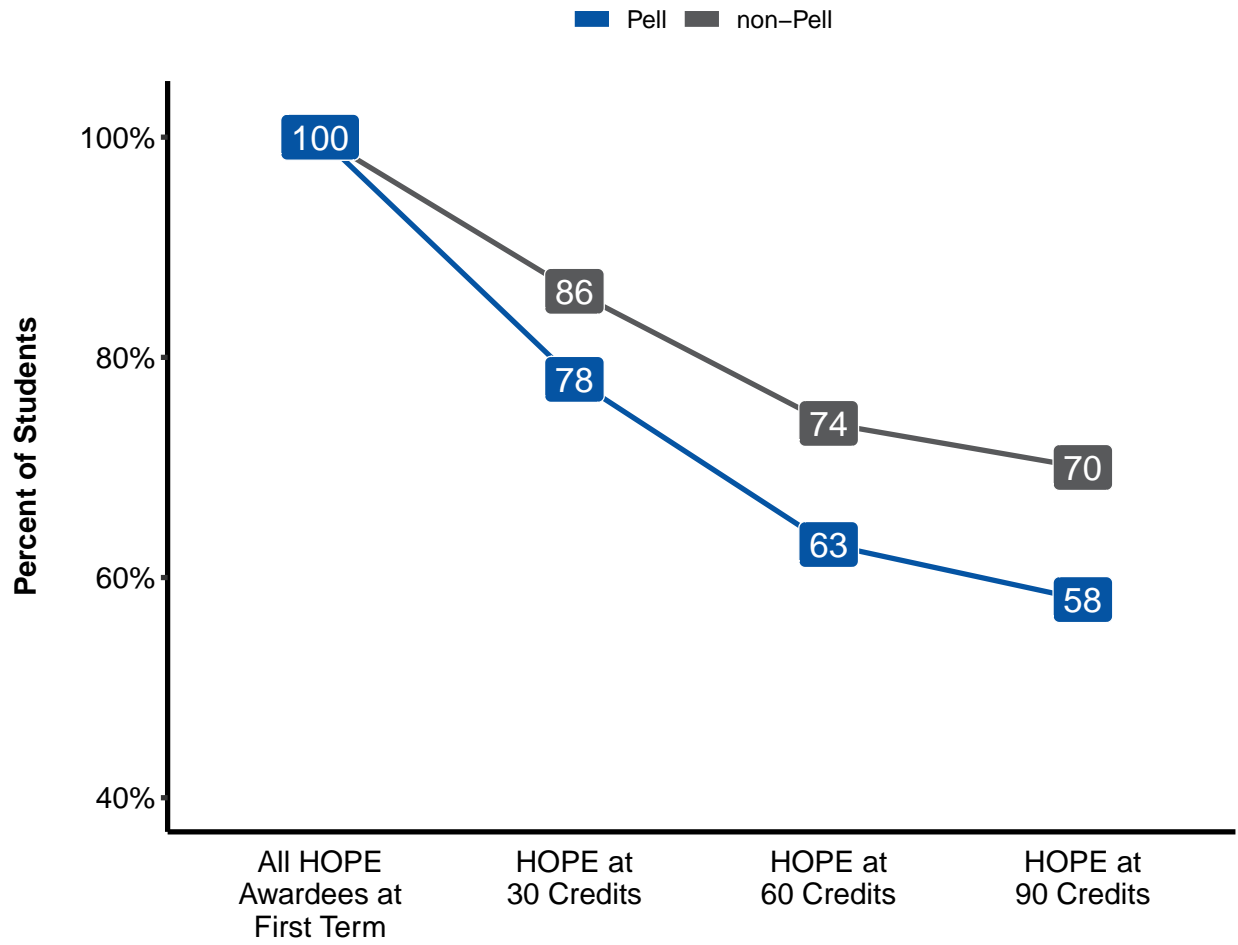
**HOPE Status Distribution in First Fall Term
Among First-Time Freshmen, 2013–2018 Entering Cohorts**



**HOPE Counts at Checkpoints Among First-Time Freshmen,
2013–2018 Entering Cohorts**



Percentage of Pell and non-Pell Students who Retain HOPE, 2013–2018 Entering Cohorts



Six-Year Graduation Rates by HOPE Status at 60 Credit Hours

