## METHODOLOGY

On April 16, 2024 NASFAA distributed an online poll to our membership via *Today's News*. This poll was open until 12:00 p.m. on April 17, 2024. There were 890 responses submitted. NASFAA does not display survey results if the sample size is less than five.

## RESULTS

### OVERALL:

What is your institutional sector?

| | |
|---|---|
| Graduate/Professional Only | 4% |
| Community College (includes public 2-year and public less-than-2-year) | 27% |
| Proprietary (includes for-profit 2-year, for-profit 4-year and above, for-profit 4-year, and for-profit less-than-2-year) | 2% |
| Nonprofit (includes private less-than-2-year, private 2-year, private 4-year and above and private 4-year) | 40% |
| Public 4-Year (includes public 4-year and above and public 4-year) | 27% |
| n | 890 |

Does your institution fall into any of the following categories? (Check all that apply):

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|---|---|
| MSI, non-HBCU | 10% |
| Public state system | 38% |
| Acceptance rate of 15% or less | 2% |
| None of the above | 52% |
| HBCU | 2% |
| n | 890 |

Have you already started packaging aid?

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|---|---|
| We have already sent aid offers to some or all of our students | 34% |
| We have begun packaging and expect to start sending aid offers by the end of April | 12% |
| We have not yet begun packaging aid offers | 54% |
| n | 888 |

Please indicate how you will process ISIRs in order to determine aid offers.

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|---|---|
| We will process only ISIRs unaffected by known data issues | 29% |
| We will process all ISIRs – even those affected by known data issues – and repackage ONLY ISIRs that are reprocessed that result in HIGHER aid | 10% |
| We will process all ISIRs – even those affected by known data issues – and repackage ALL ISIRs that are reprocessed | 18% |
| We are waiting for reprocessed ISIRs before we package aid for any students | 29% |
| We did not/are not using ISIRs to determine initial eligibility and will use them only to confirm eligibility at a later point | 4% |
| We do not know yet | 10% |
| n | 888 |

Please indicate the reason that is creating the most uncertainty for your office.

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| We are waiting for more information or guidance from ED | 46% |
| We have the information we need from ED, and we are still having internal discussions at our institution | 27% |
| I don't know or I am not involved in this decision-making process and am unsure | 26% |
| n | 84 |

In a typical year, what is your institution's enrollment decision deadline?

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|---|---|
| May 1 | 48% |
| May 15 | 2% |
| June 1 | 2% |
| Other (Please specify as date using the format MM-DD) | 4% |
| We don't have an enrollment decision deadline | 44% |
| n | 888 |

Have you moved that standard deadline this year to provide students with more time to make decisions?

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| N/A, we do not have a deadline | 43% |
| We have moved our deadline | 35% |
| No, we will not move our deadline | 12% |
| We are considering moving our deadline, but have not yet done so | 10% |
| n | 886 |

In a typical award year, when do you begin to send aid offers?

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|---|---|
| October, November, December | 36% |
| January, February, March | 44% |
| April, May, June | 18% |
| July, August, September | 2% |
| n | 888 |

## INSTITUTIONAL SECTOR

Does your institution fall into any of the following categories? (Check all that apply):

| | Graduate / Professional Only | Community College | Proprietary | Nonprofit | Public 4-Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| MSI, non-HBCU | 3% | 17% | 5% | 5% | 13% |
| HBCU | 3% | 3% | 0% | 2% | 1% |
| Public state system | 18% | 60% | 14% | 2% | 75% |
| Acceptance rate of 15% or less | 9% | 0% | 0% | 4% | 0% |
| None of the above | 68% | 27% | 86% | 87% | 20% |
| n | 34 | 241 | 21 | 358 | 236 |

Have you already started packaging aid?

| | Graduate / Professional Only | Community College | Proprietary | Nonprofit | Public 4-Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| We have already sent aid offers to some or all of our students | 39% | 2% | 48% | 66% | 16% |
| We have begun packaging and expect to start sending aid offers by the end of April | 18% | 1% | 5% | 15% | 20% |
| We have not yet begun packaging aid offers | 42% | 97% | 48% | 19% | 64% |
| n | 33 | 241 | 21 | 358 | 235 |

Please indicate how you will process ISIRs in order to determine aid offers.

| | Graduate / Professional Only | Community College | Proprietary | Nonprofit | Public 4-Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| We will process only ISIRs unaffected by known data issues | 18% | 7% | 10% | 36% | 46% |
| We will process all ISIRs – even those affected by known data issues – and repackage ONLY ISIRs that are reprocessed that result in HIGHER aid | 18% | 3% | 14% | 16% | 5% |
| We will process all ISIRs – even those affected by known data issues – and repackage ALL ISIRs that are reprocessed | 24% | 8% | 29% | 24% | 17% |
| We are waiting for reprocessed ISIRs before we package aid for any students | 18% | 63% | 33% | 10% | 25% |
| We did not/are not using ISIRs to determine initial eligibility and will use them only to confirm eligibility at a later point | 15% | 0% | 0% | 9% | 0% |
| We do not know yet | 6% | 19% | 14% | 5% | 8% |
| n | 33 | 240 | 21 | 358 | 236 |

Please indicate the reason that is creating the most uncertainty for your office.

| | Graduate / Professional | Community College | Proprietary | Nonprofit | Public 4-Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| We are waiting for more information or guidance from ED | - | 42% | - | 56% | 39% |
| We have the information we need from ED, and we are still having internal discussions at our institution | - | 26% | - | 28% | 39% |
| I don't know or I am not involved in this decision-making process and am unsure | - | 33% | - | 17% | 22% |
| n | - | 43 | - | 18 | 18 |

In a typical year, what is your institution's enrollment decision deadline?

| | Graduate / Professional Only | Community College | Proprietary | Nonprofit | Public 4-Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| May 1 | 18% | 4% | 10% | 73% | 65% |
| May 15 | 21% | 1% | 5% | 1% | 1% |
| June 1 | 6% | 2% | 5% | 1% | 0% |
| Other (Please specify as date using the format MM-DD) | 33% | 5% | 19% | 1% | 2% |
| We don't have an enrollment decision deadline | 21% | 87% | 62% | 24% | 32% |
| n | 33 | 241 | 21 | 358 | 235 |

Have you moved that standard deadline this year to provide students with more time to make decisions?

|  | Graduate / Professional Only | Community College | Proprietary | Nonprofit | Public 4-Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| We have moved our deadline | 15% | 9% | 5% | 40% | 59% |
| We are considering moving our deadline, but have not yet done so | 9% | 3% | 5% | 19% | 3% |
| No, we will not move our deadline | 52% | 3% | 19% | 17% | 6% |
| N/A, we do not have a deadline | 24% | 84% | 71% | 24% | 32% |
| n | 33 | 241 | 21 | 357 | 234 |

In a typical award year, when do you begin to send aid offers?

|  | Graduate / Professional Only | Community College | Proprietary | Nonprofit | Public 4-Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| October, November, December | 6% | 8% | 20% | 61% | 33% |
| January, February, March | 52% | 44% | 40% | 34% | 59% |
| April, May, June | 42% | 44% | 30% | 4% | 8% |
| July, August, September | 0% | 4% | 10% | 1% | 0% |
| n | 33 | 241 | 20 | 358 | 236 |