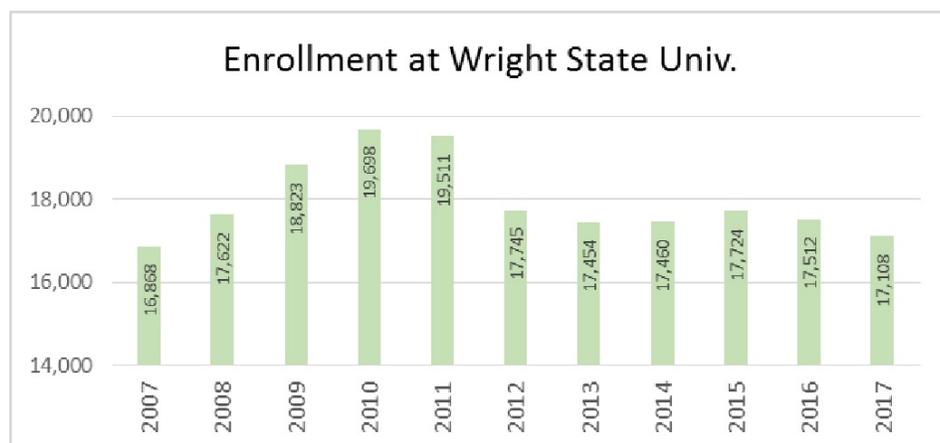


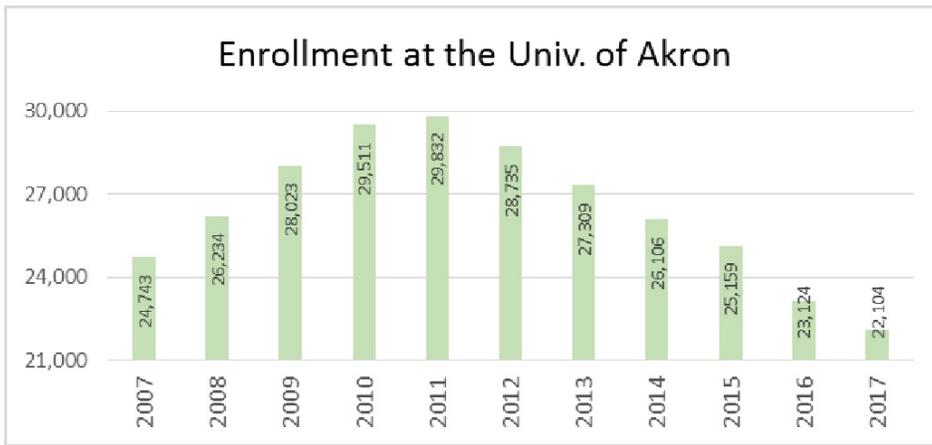
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Fast Facts: Enrollment Trends

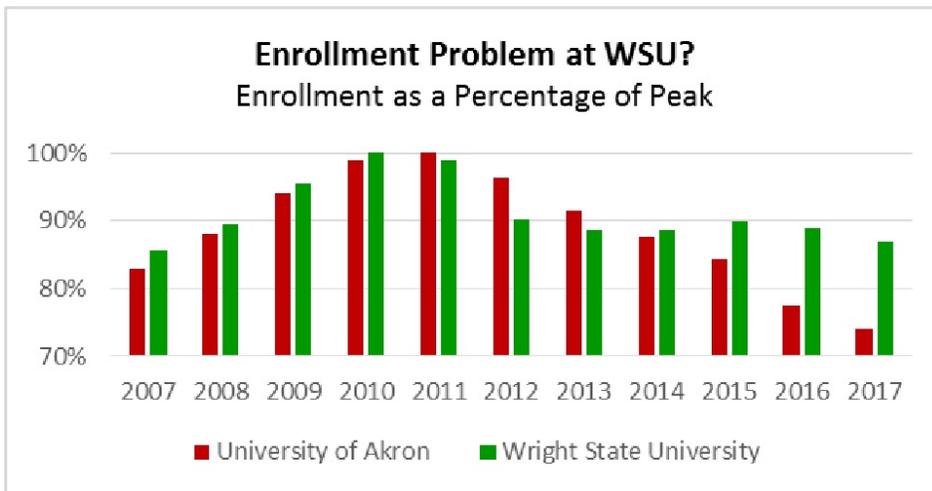


We are told that there is an enrollment problem at Wright State University. Let's see if that holds up to scrutiny.





The three years that are outliers in the WSU Enrollment Chart shown above left—2009, 2010, and 2011—have swollen enrollments due to the Great Recession, Ohio’s choice to focus federal rescue dollars on supporting the retraining of laid-off workers, and the advent of semesters in fall 2012. Otherwise, enrollments at WSU have been remarkably stable. To see a genuine enrollment problem, consider the Akron Enrollment Chart shown above right. (The two charts are scaled in the same way: from 70% of the peak enrollment, rounded up to the nearest thousand, up to the peak.) The comparison is perhaps best seen when one combines the two charts into one, as shown below. By any reasonable standard, WSU has no enrollment crisis (but Akron does).



Given that our university has reported negative cash flows and declines in reserves since 2013, it should, again, be clear that enrollment declines were not a cause of that deficit spending. Nor will more “flexibility”—the gutting of our contract and workload agreement—enable the administration to resolve the real issues with our

budget. Arguably, such “flexibility” will simply do the opposite—allow the administration to continue to ignore some of the real causes.

Enrollment data sources: Through 2016, page 3 of

https://www.ohiohighered.org/sites/ohiohighered.org/files/uploads/data/statistical-profiles/enrollment/headcount_institution_campus_07-16.pdf

For 2017, table on page 1 (main campus) plus table on page 2 (Lake) of

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Fast Facts 2: Loss of Full-Time Teaching Faculty Positions



Academic Year		2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018
Rank	Date of Count	December 31, 2012	December 15, 2013	December 16, 2014	January 26, 2016	December 2, 2016	August 7, 2017
Assistant		93	94	113	120	109	89
Associate		196	198	193	182	184	177
Professor		147	148	146	151	153	156
Instructor		50	63	77	87	84	61
Lecturer		66	68	56	45	40	39
Senior Lecturer		29	30	35	41	42	42
Clinical Instructor		19	17	17	15	15	13
Clinical Assistant Professor		6	7	5	7	9	8
Visiting Assistant Professor		2	4	3	6	2	1
Visiting Associate Professor		0	0	0	0	0	0
Visiting Professor		1	2	1	0	0	0
Visiting Instructor		7	1	0	0	0	0
Visiting faculty (other)		0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		616	632	646	654	638	586
<i>TET</i>		436	440	452	453	446	422
<i>NTE</i>		180	192	194	201	192	164

Total annual savings from loss of Bargaining Unit Faculty positions just from AY2015-2016 to AY2017-2018: \$4.1 million

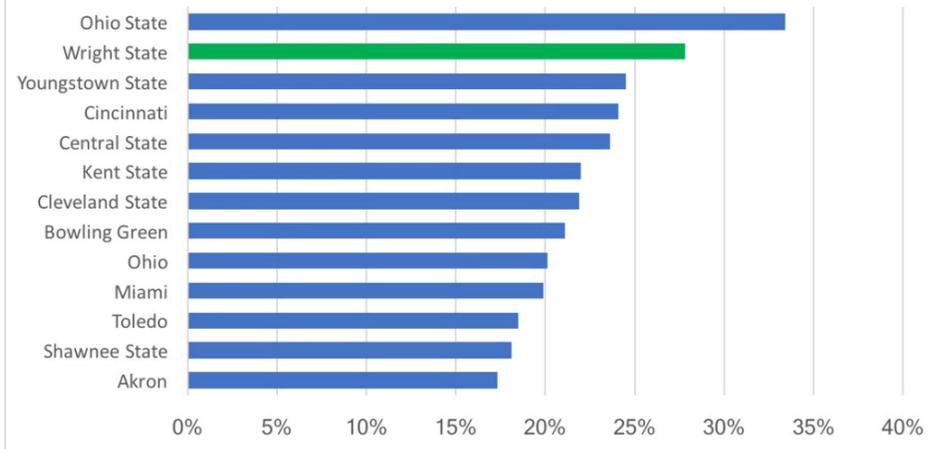
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Fast Facts 1: Administrative Bloat



State of Ohio Report on Administrative Productivity Measures—i.e., Administrative Bloat for 2016 (the most recent year reported):

Administrative Salaries as a Percent of Educational & General Spending



If Wright State spent the median percentage on administrative salaries in 2016, we would have saved \$17.3 million that year.

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