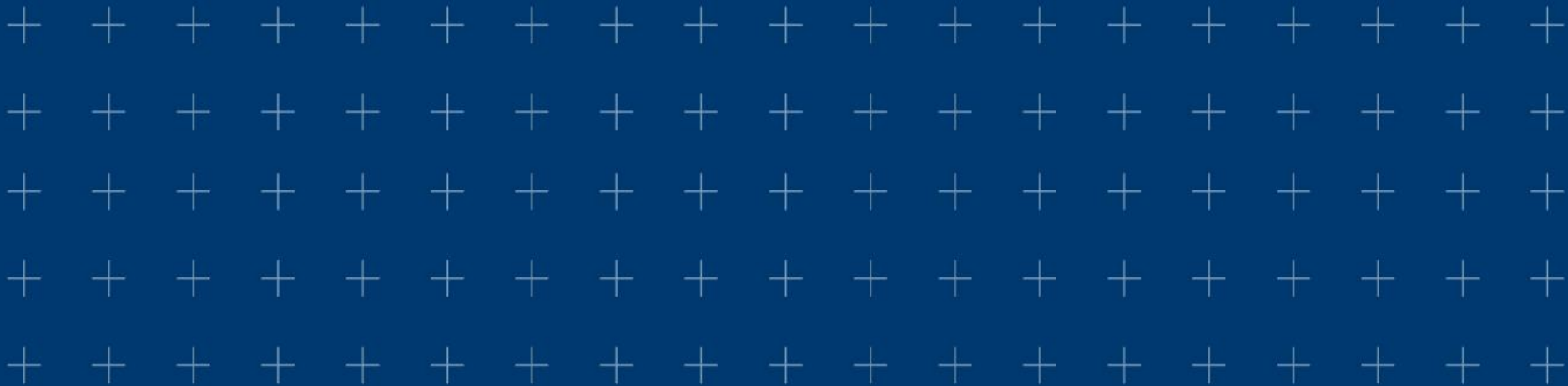




DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY

Fall 2023 New Student Profile

Demographics, Attitudes, Experiences and Beliefs



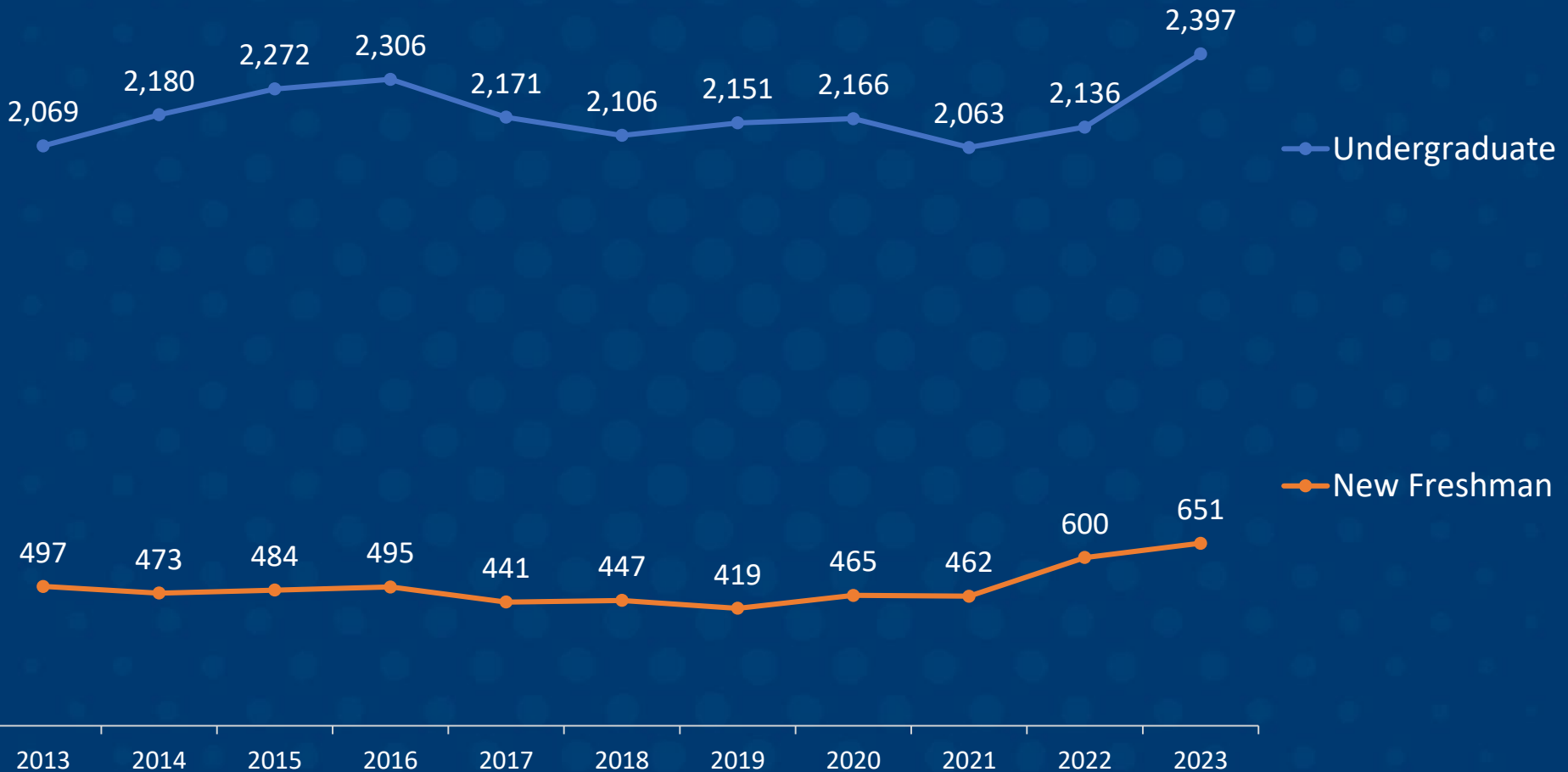


OVERVIEW OF PROJECT

- Overview of Fall 2023 Incoming Student Demographics
- CIRP Survey of Incoming Freshmen Introduction
- Discuss implications for Dominican University

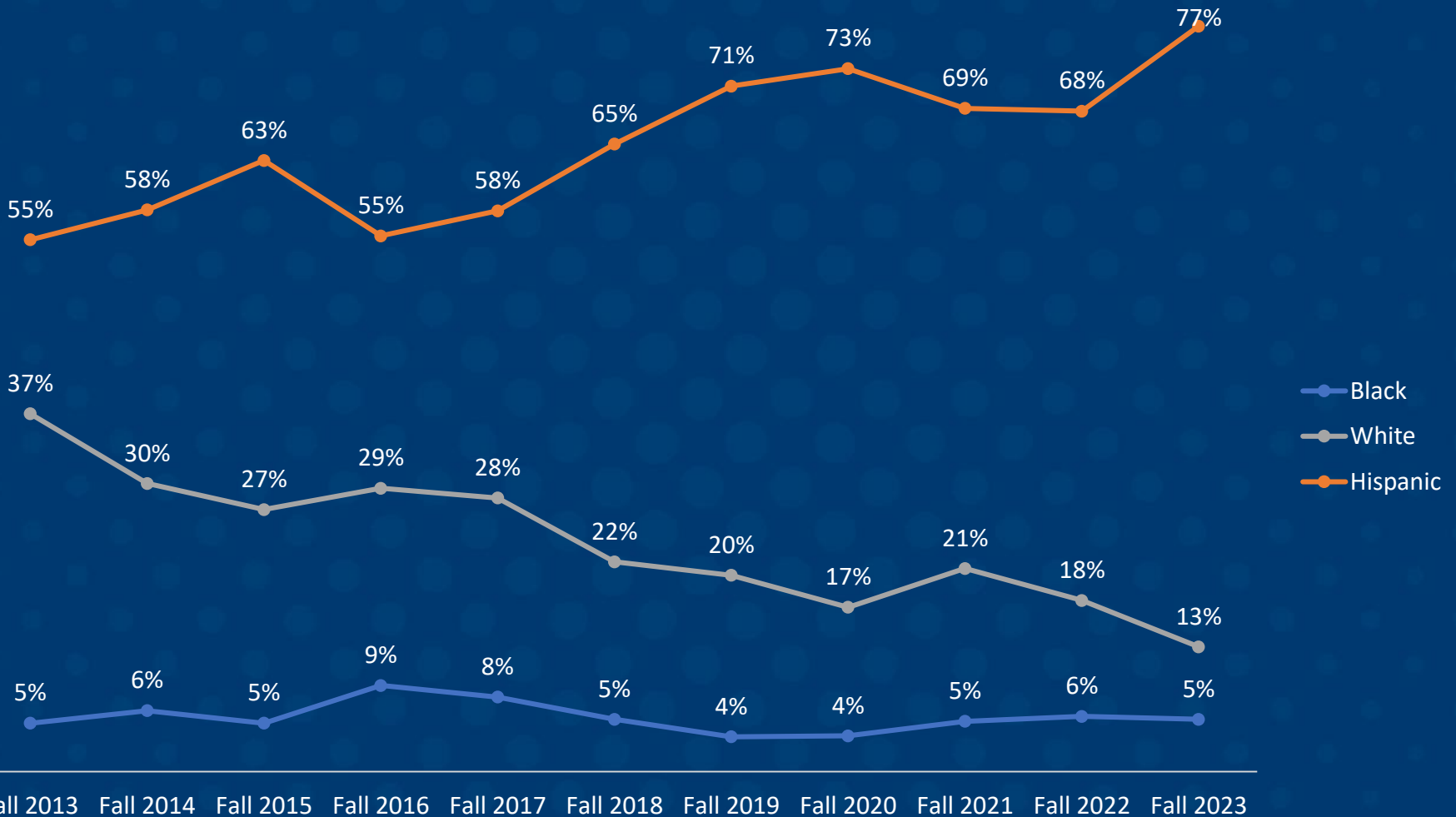


Fall Undergraduate Headcount Enrollment 2013-2023





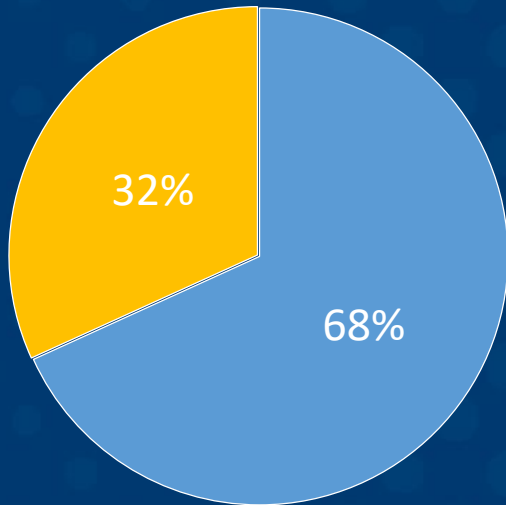
New Freshman Enrollment Trends by Race/Ethnicity since 2013





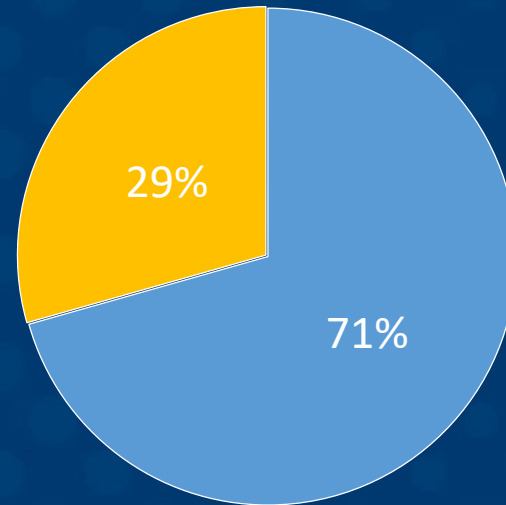
Gender

2023 New Freshman



■ Female ■ Male

All Undergraduates

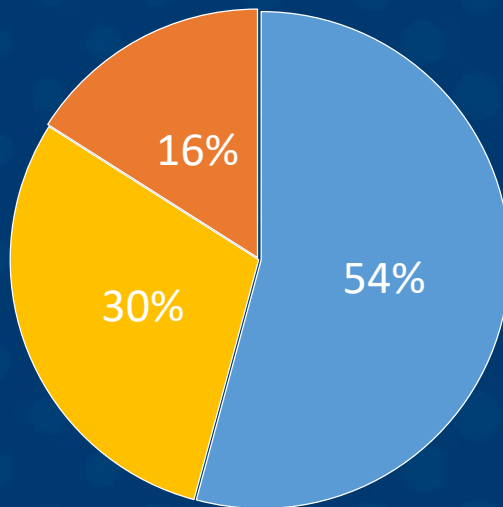


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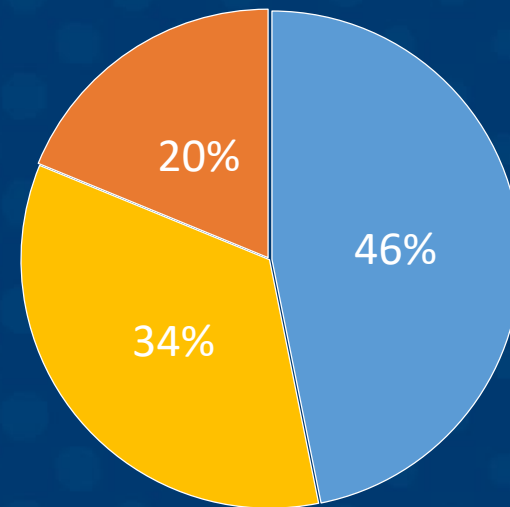
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2023 New Freshman



- First Generation
- Not First Generation
- Unknown

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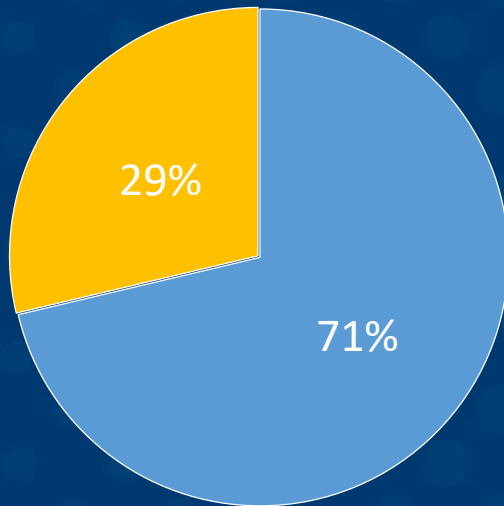


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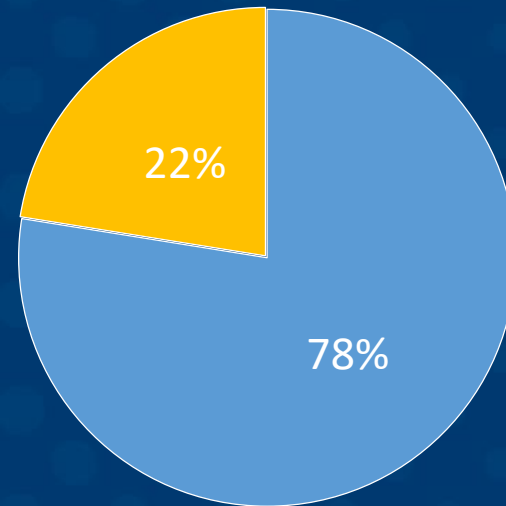
Residential Status

2023 New Freshman



■ Commuter ■ Resident

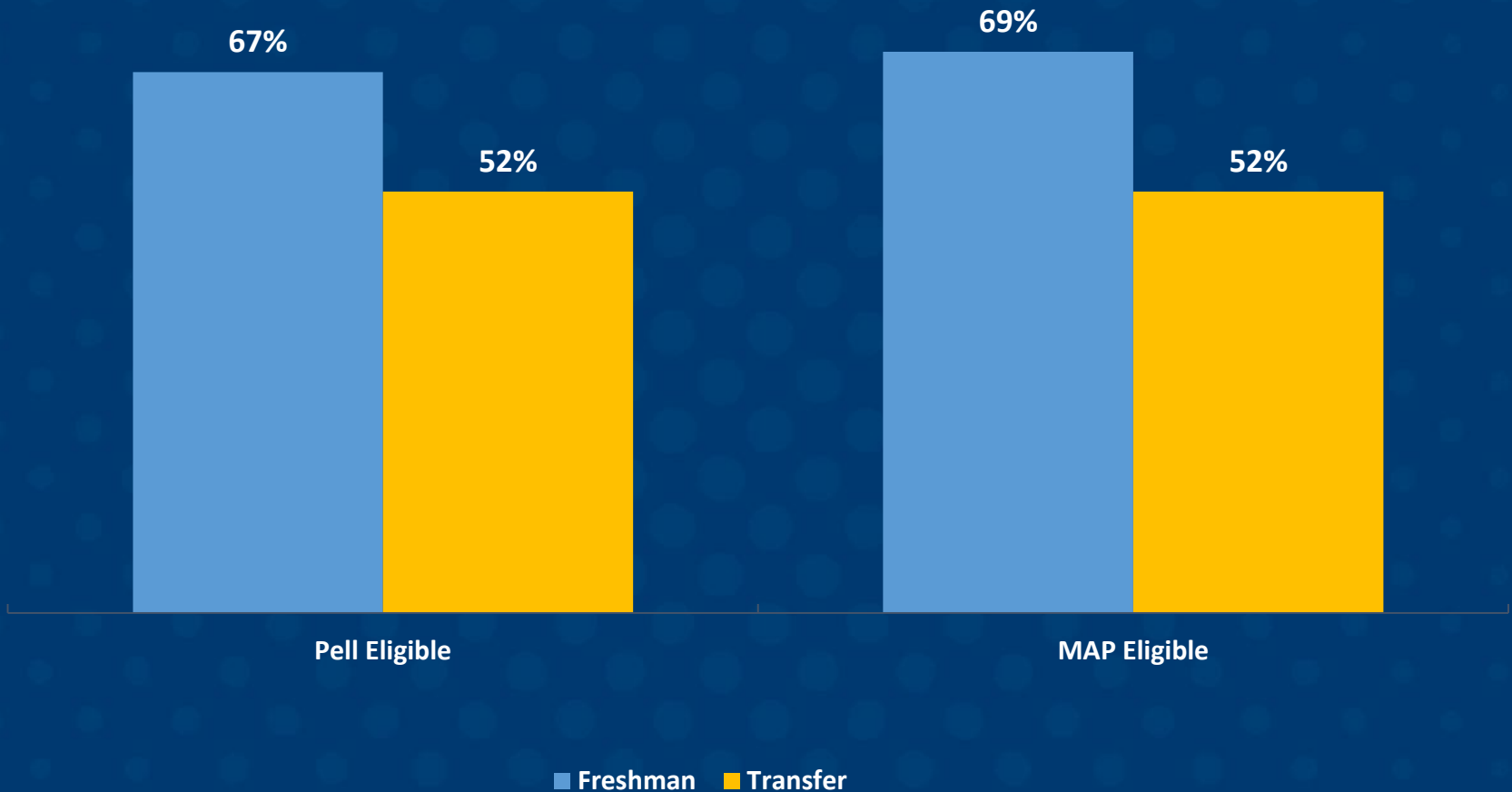
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Pell and MAP eligibility (Fall 2023 data)





Top 20 Programs of Interest

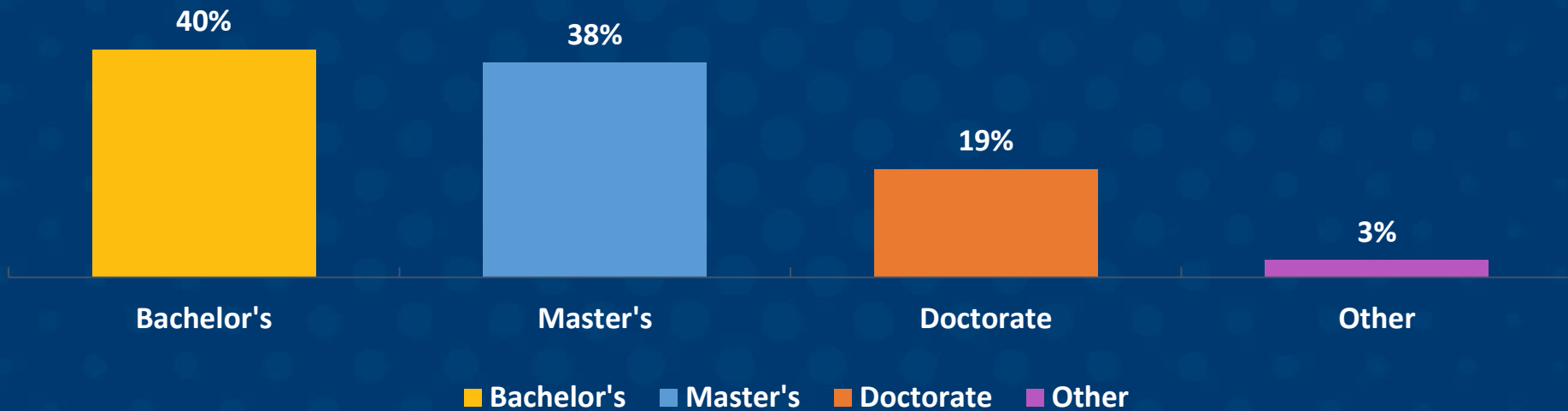
Incoming Fall 2013 vs Fall 2023 Freshman

Program of Interest	2013
Undecided	16.5%
Nursing/Pre-Nursing	7.2%
Business Admin(Management)	6.8%
Psychology	5.4%
Criminology	5.2%
Biology	4.8%
Engineering*	4.4%
Pre-Medical	4.4%
Computer Science	3.2%
Accounting	2.6%
Early Childhood Education	2.4%
Elementary Education	2.2%
English	2.0%
Biology / Chemistry	1.8%
Journalism	1.8%
Pre-Pharmacy	1.8%
Fashion Design	1.4%
Fashion Merchandising	1.4%
Graphic Design	1.4%
Chemistry	1.2%

Program of Interest	2023
Nursing/Pre-Nursing	21.1%
Undecided	13.1%
Psychology	7.7%
Engineering*	4.9%
Pre-Medical	4.7%
Computer Science	4.4%
Criminology	4.4%
Elementary Education	3.3%
Marketing	2.9%
Accounting	2.7%
Management	2.6%
Entrepreneurship	2.4%
Secondary Education	1.8%
Biology	1.7%
Biology / Chemistry	1.4%
Fashion Design	1.4%
Finance	1.4%
Economics	1.2%
Pre-Pharmacy	1.2%
Pre-Veterinary	1.2%



FA23 New Freshman Degree Aspiration (Highest Academic Degree Planned)





Religions: Then and Now

	2013	2018	2023	Change '13-'23
Roman Catholic	57%	48%	45%	-12%
Other Christian	15%	10%	12%	-3%
None	12%	21%	15%	3%
Other Religion	5%	5%	7%	2%
Baptist	3%	4%	1%	-2%
Eastern Orthodox	2%	1%	0%	-2%
Lutheran	2%	2%	0%	-2%
United Church of Christ	.4%	8%	4%	4%
Methodist	.4%	0%	0%	-.4%
Muslim	0%	1%	1%	1%
Seventh Day Adventist	0%	0%	1%	1%
Agnostic	0%	0%	7%	7%
Atheist	0%	0%	5%	5%



The CIRP Freshman Survey
Fall 2023 Results



What is the CIRP Freshman Survey

- National survey - originated in 1966. Dominican has participated since 1972
- Over 15 million students at over 1,900 institutions have participated in the survey
- Administered electronically during SOAR. As a result, response rates are very high; reaching 93% (or 606 out of 651) for the Fall 2023 incoming class



CIRP Comparison Group:

Comparison Group - Catholic 4-yr Colleges of medium selectivity
(N=2,223)

Fairfield University	CT
Regis College	MA
Dominican University	IL
Saint Peter's University	NJ
Trinity Washington University	DC
Providence College	RI
Saint Mary's College	IN
St. Mary's University	TX



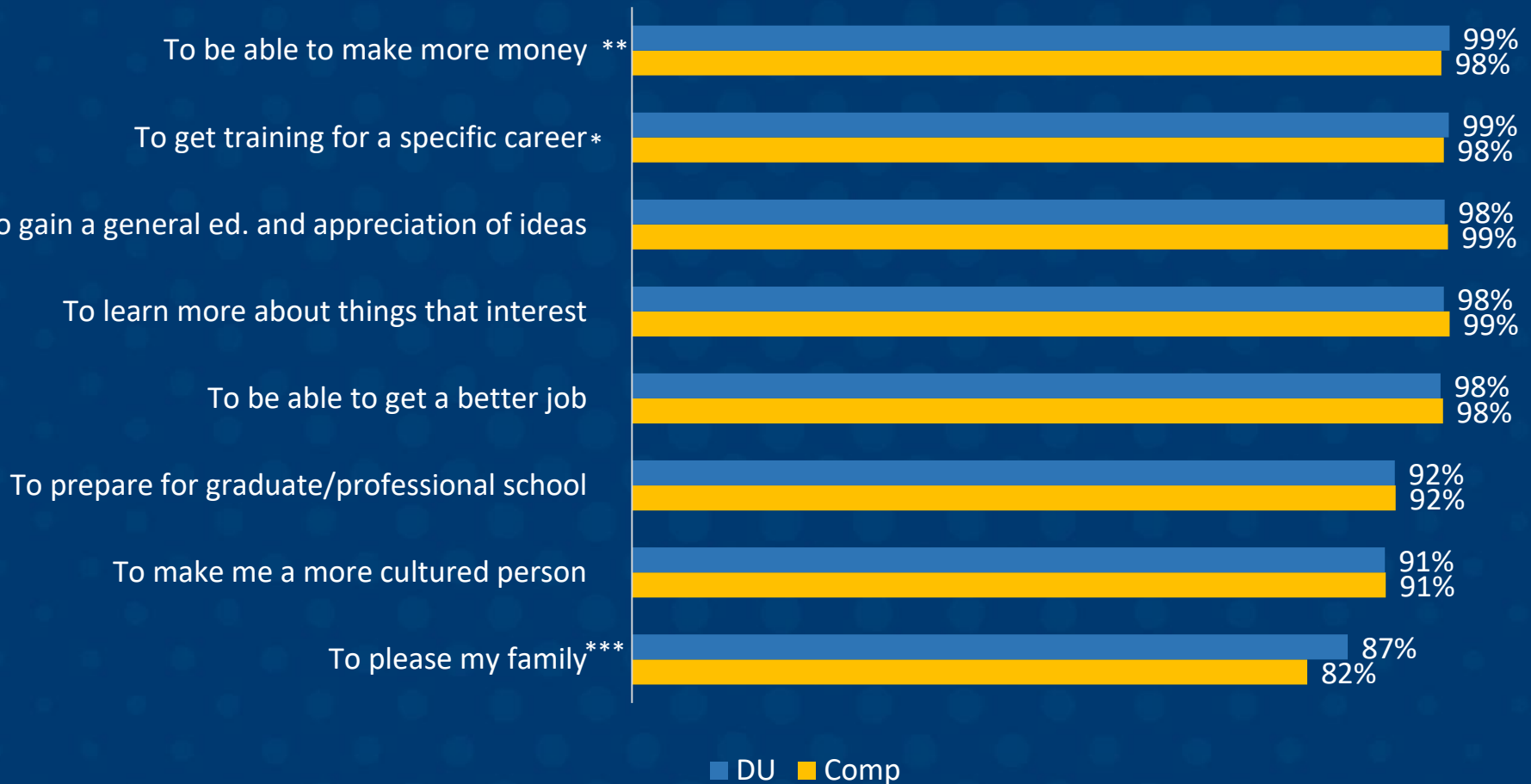
The CIRP Freshman Survey examines incoming student

- Reasons for going to college
- Experiences
- Attitudes
- Academic preparedness
- Beliefs
- And more...



Factors in deciding to go to college

(% indicating "Very Important" and "Somewhat Important")

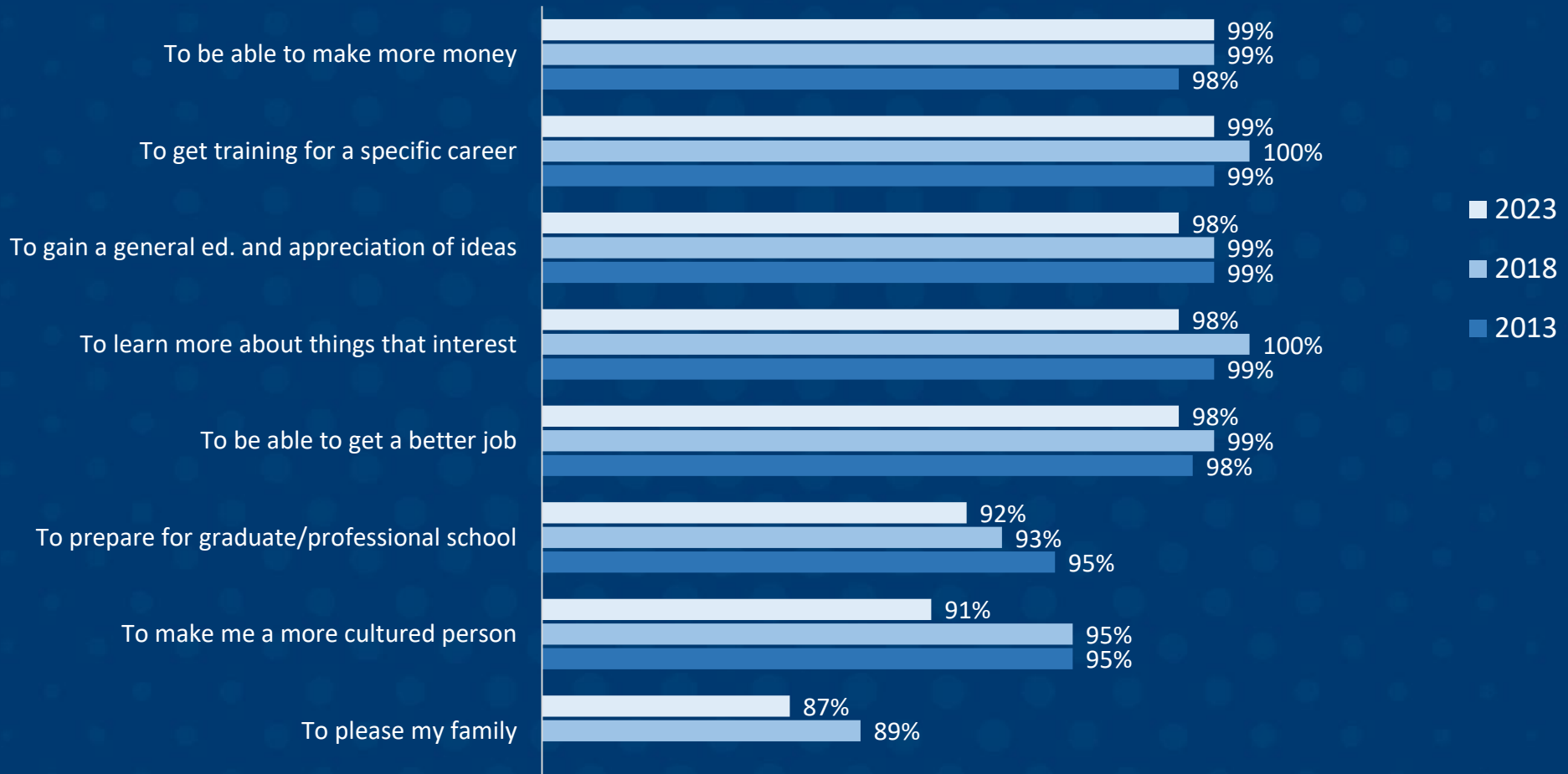


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Factors in deciding to go to college Change over time

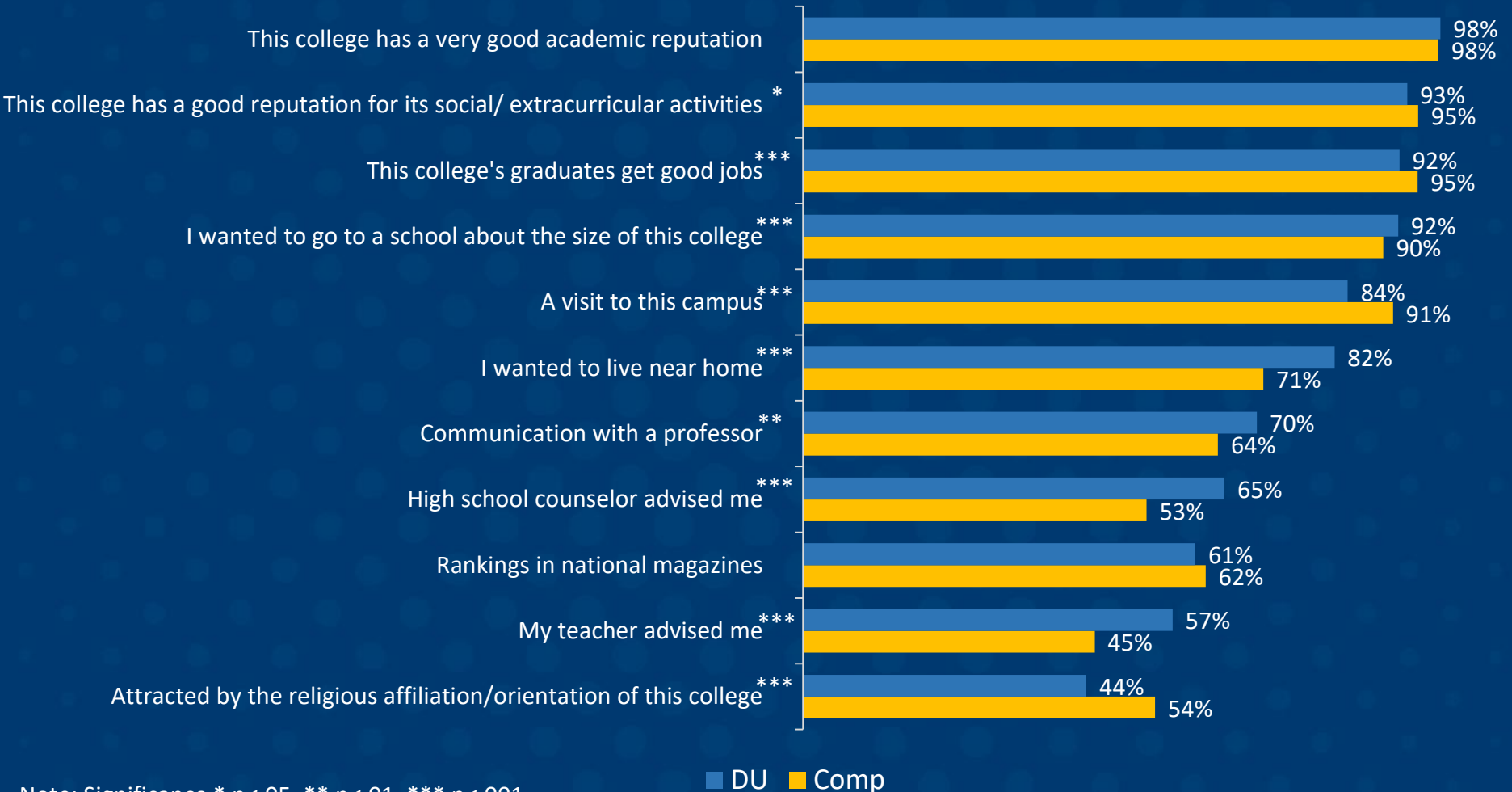
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Why Choose Dominican (Non-Financial Reasons)

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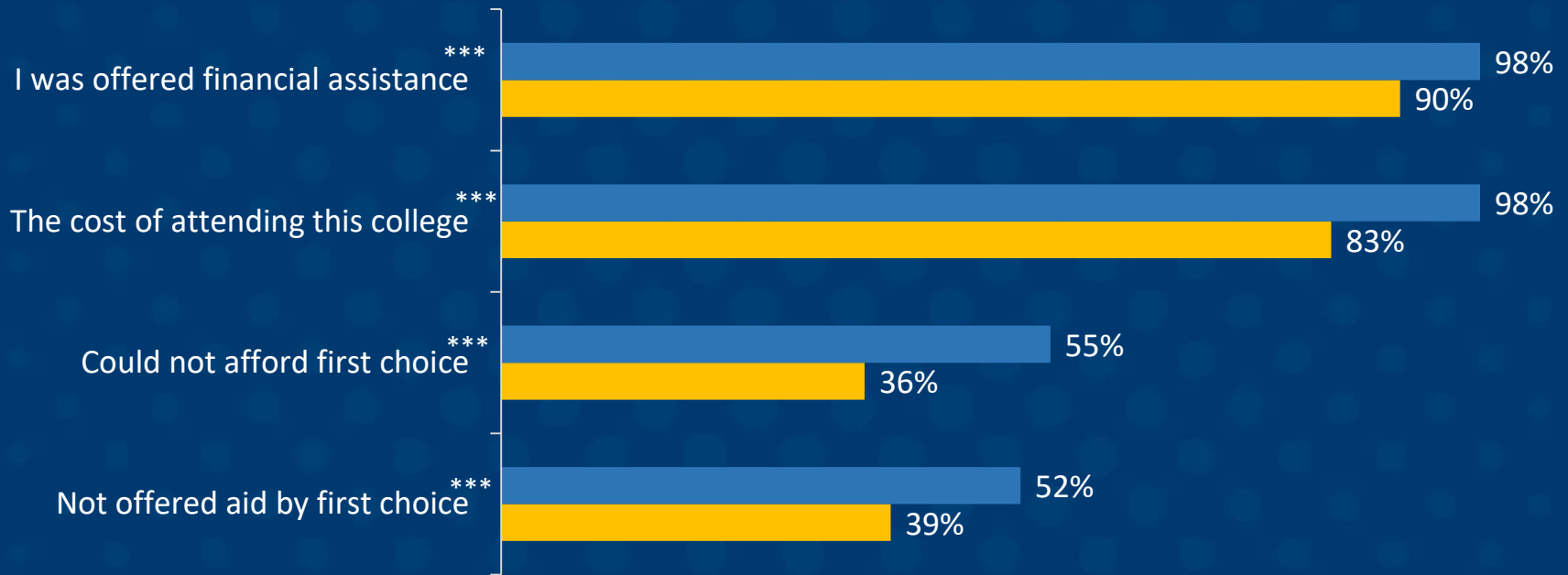


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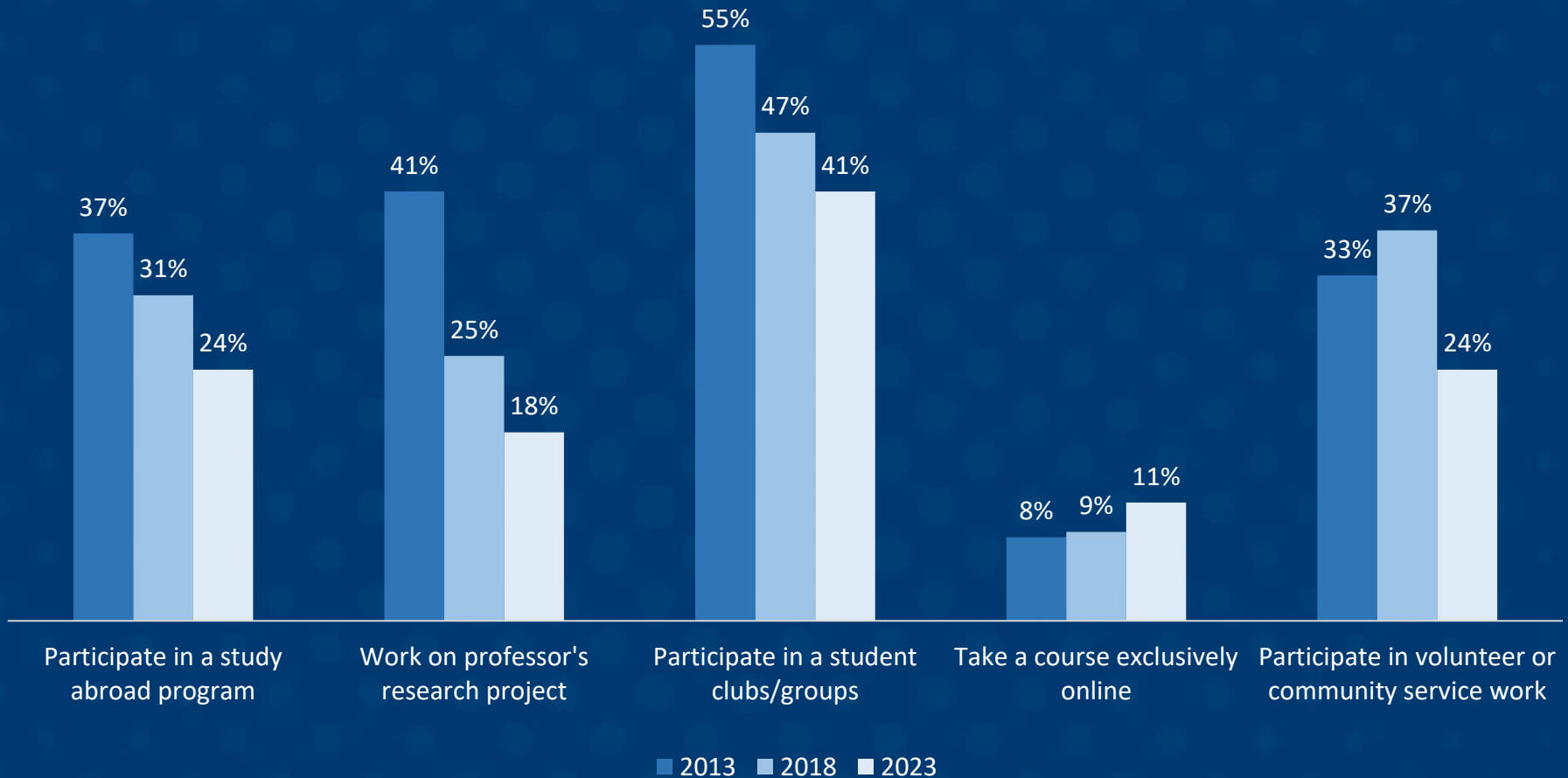
■ DU ■ Comp



New Freshman Expectations for Academic experiences

Change over time

(% indicating "Very Good Chance")





Habits of the Mind Construct

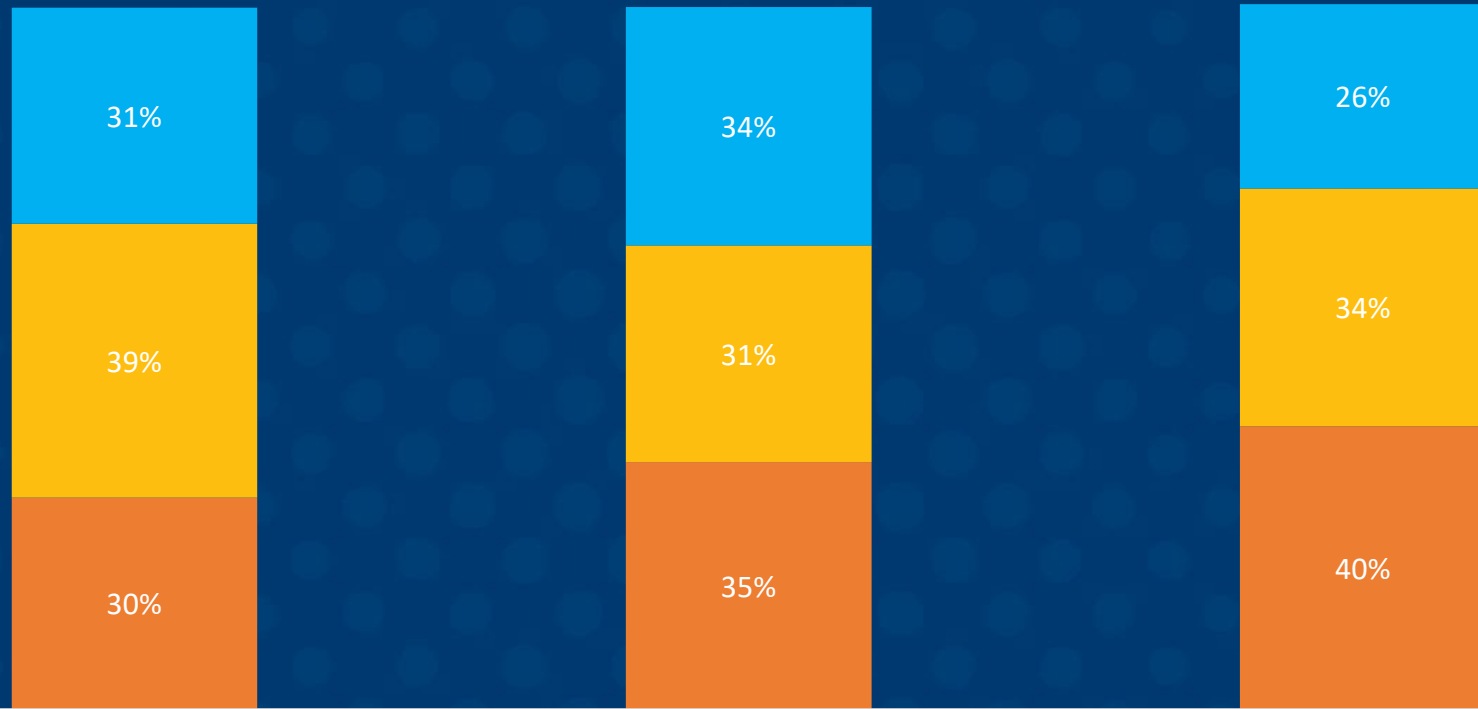
A unified measure of the behaviors and traits associated with academic success. These behaviors are seen as the foundation for lifelong learning.

How often in the past year did you. . .

- Seek solutions to problems and explain them to others
- Support your opinions with a logical argument
- Explore topics on your own, even though it was not required for a class
- Look up scientific research articles and resources
- Accept mistakes as part of the learning process



Habits of the Mind



DU Freshman FA13

DU Freshman FA18

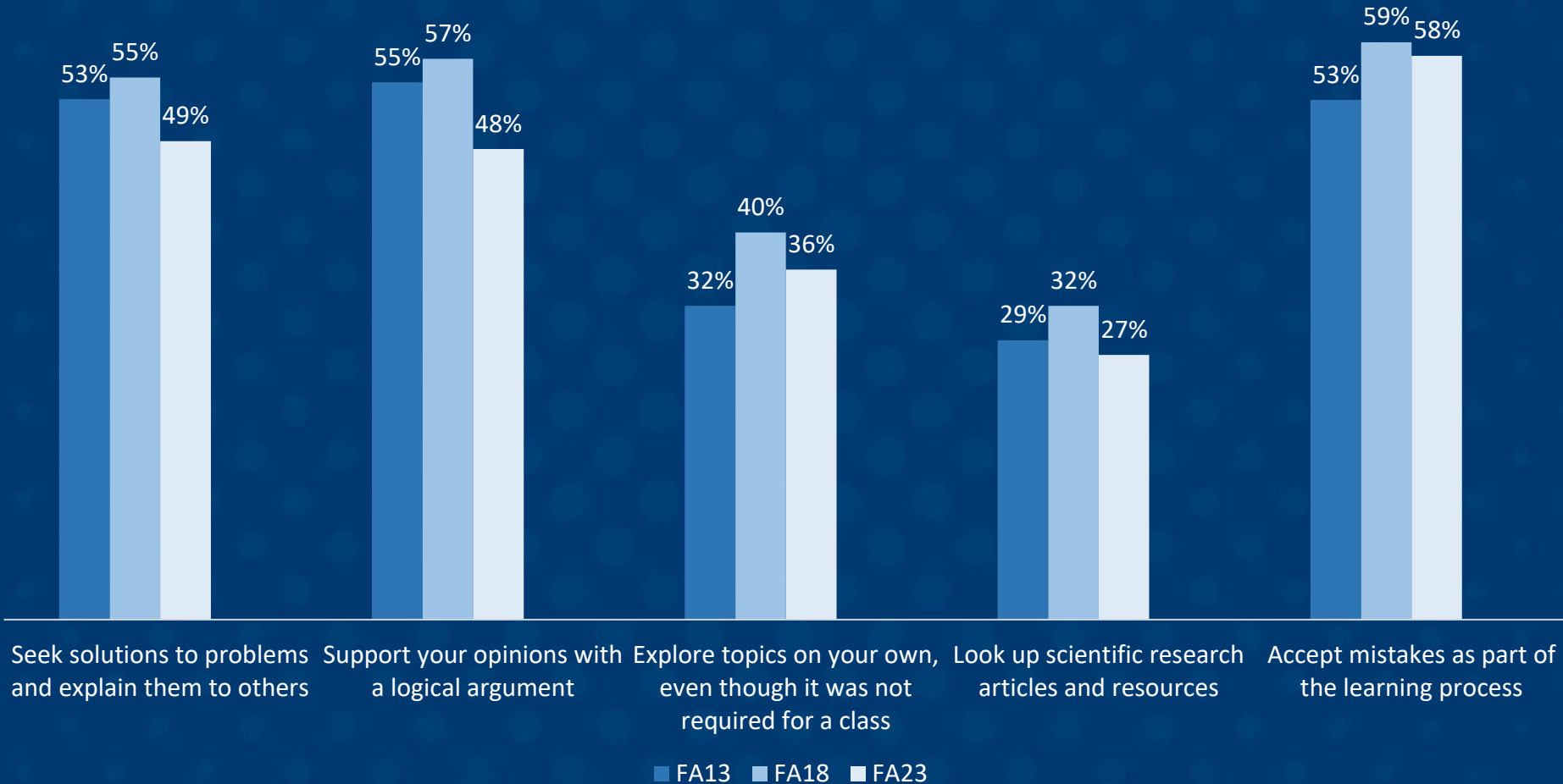
DU Freshman FA23

Low Average High



Habits of Mind Items Change over time

How often in the past year did you:
(% indicating “Frequently”)





Academic Self-Concept Construct

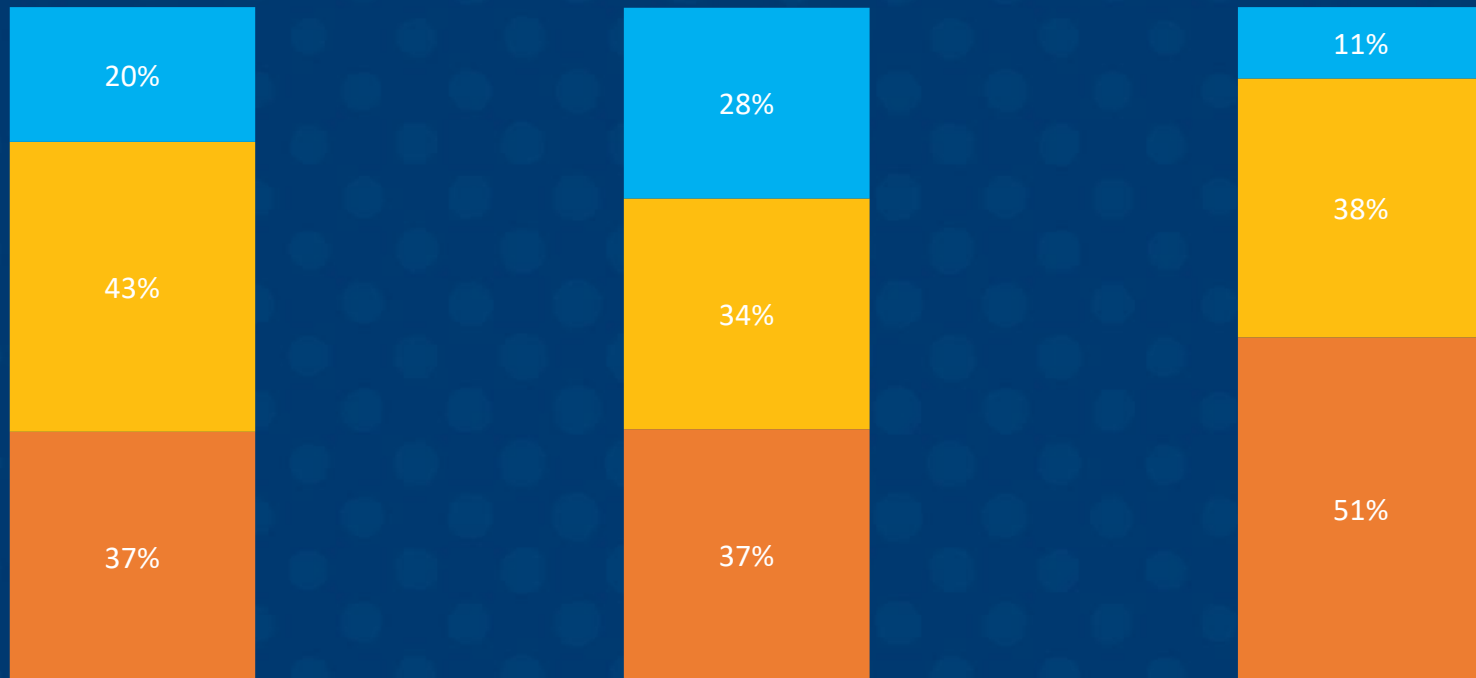
A unified measure of students beliefs about their abilities and confidence in academic environments.

Rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared with the average person your age:

- Academic ability
- Mathematical ability
- Self-confidence - intellectual
- Drive to achieve



Academic Self-Concept Construct – Change over time



FA13

FA18

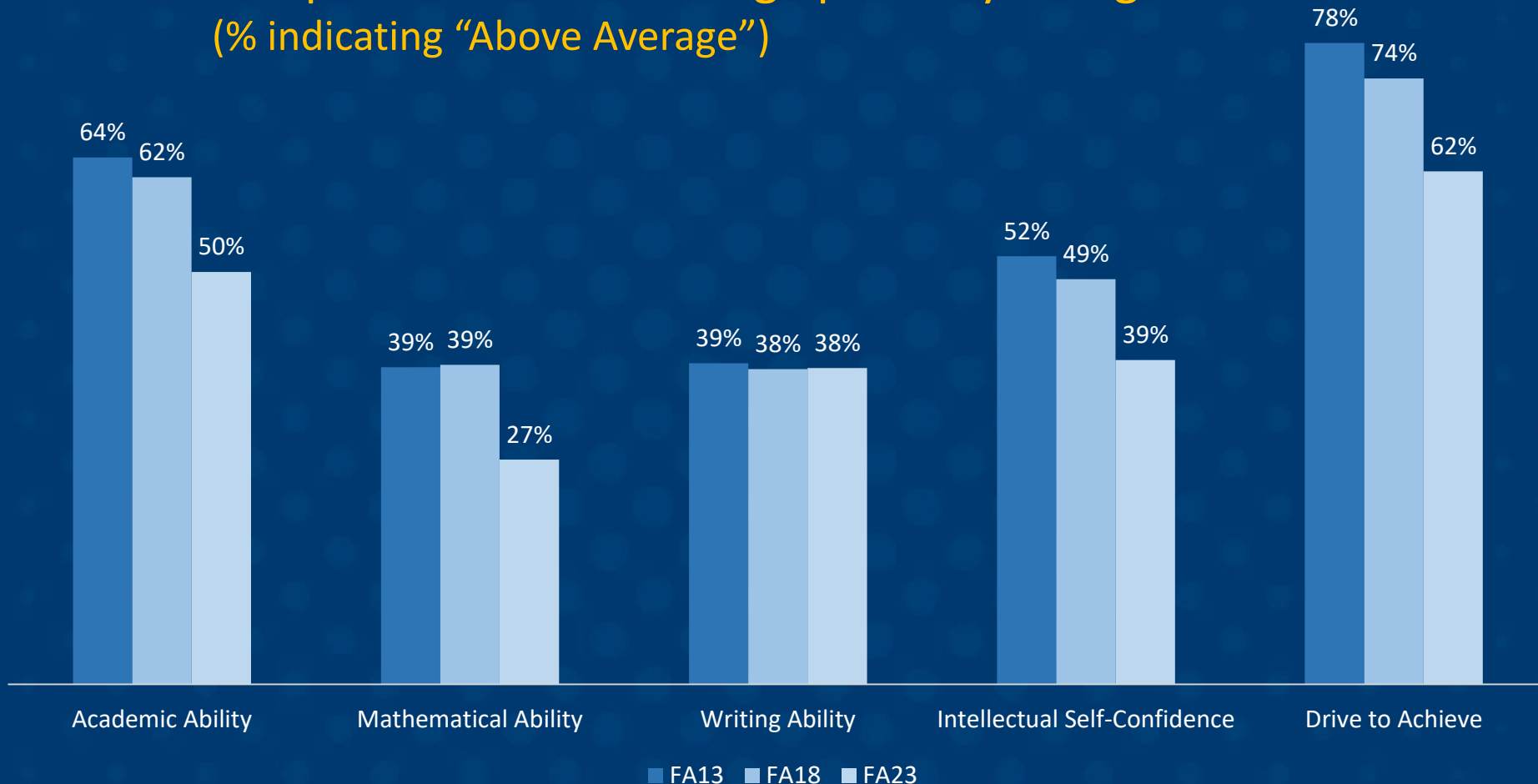
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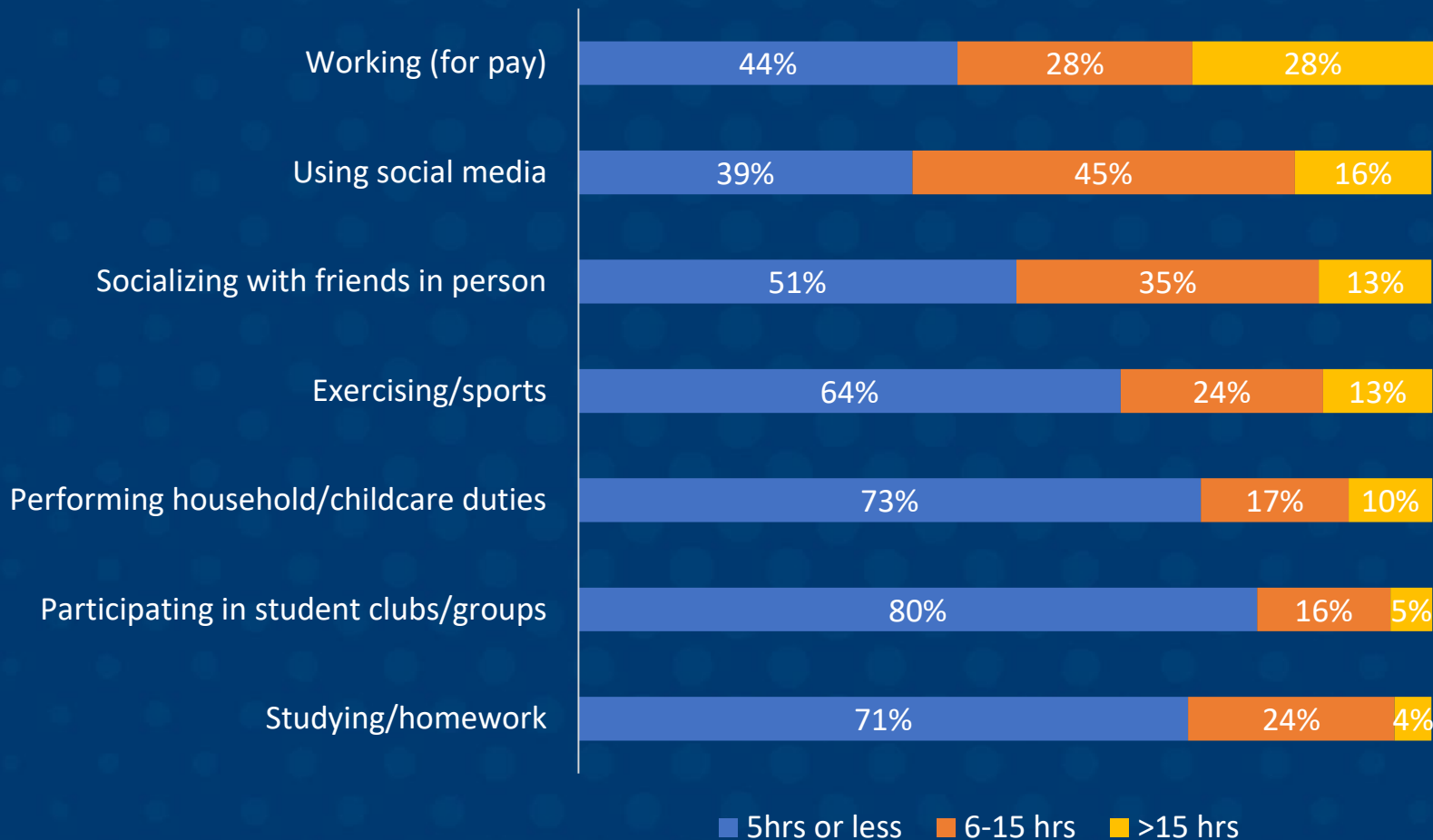
Academic Self-Concept Items Change over time

Rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared with the average person your age:
(% indicating “Above Average”)





In your last year in HS, how much time did you spend per week doing the following

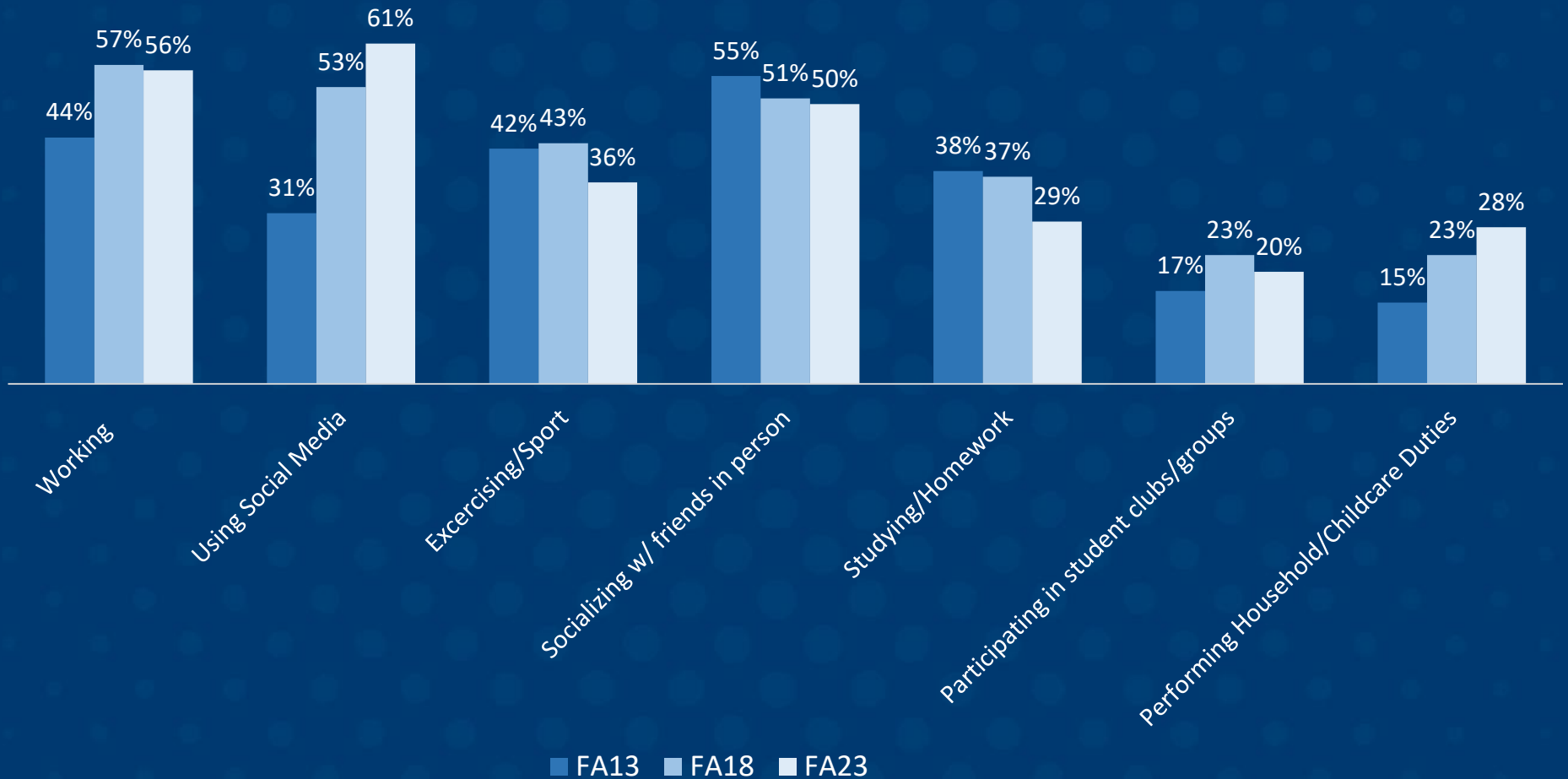




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Change over time

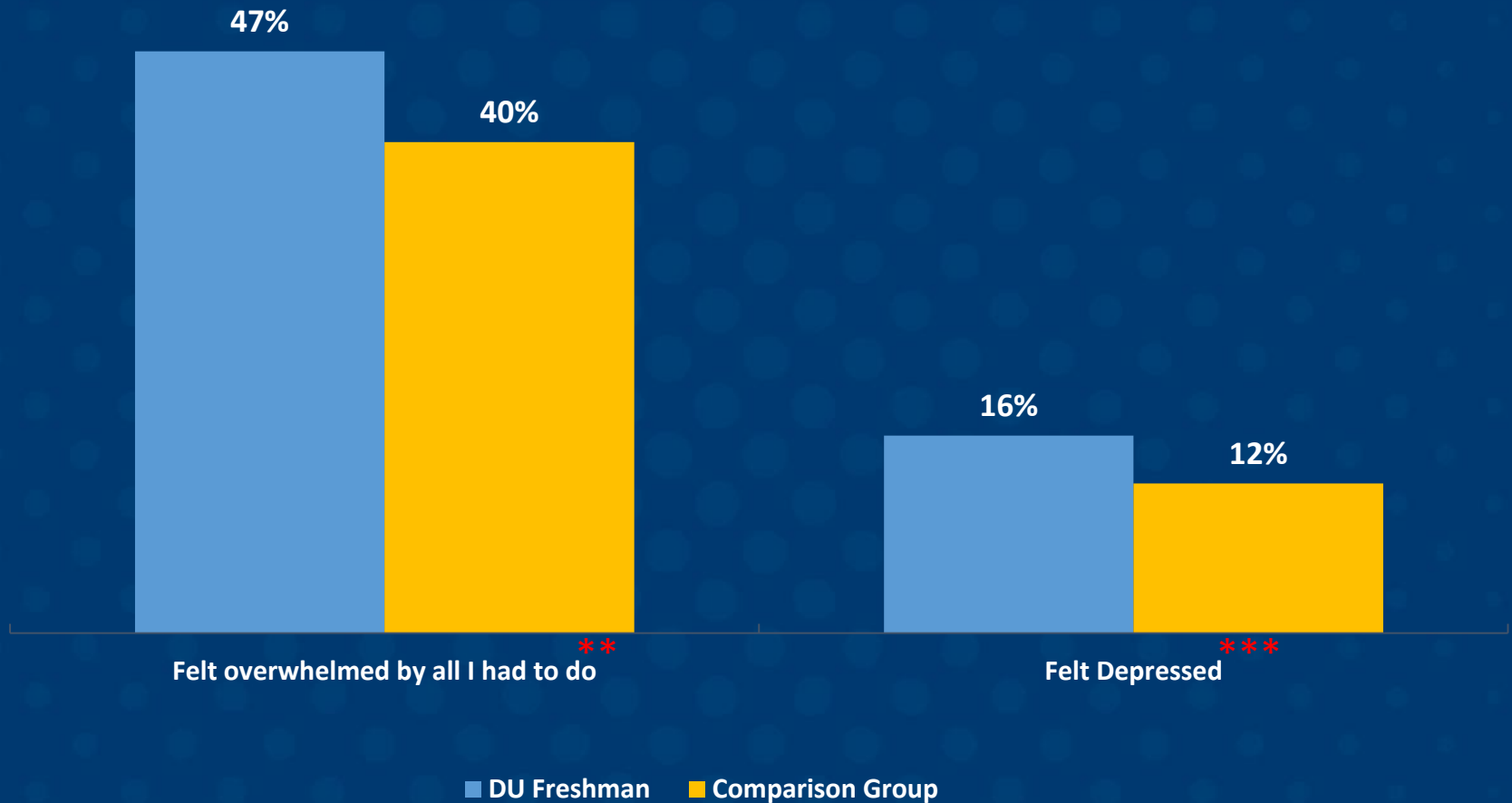
(% indicating >5 hours)





Comparing Students' Emotional Needs

(% indicating "Frequently")

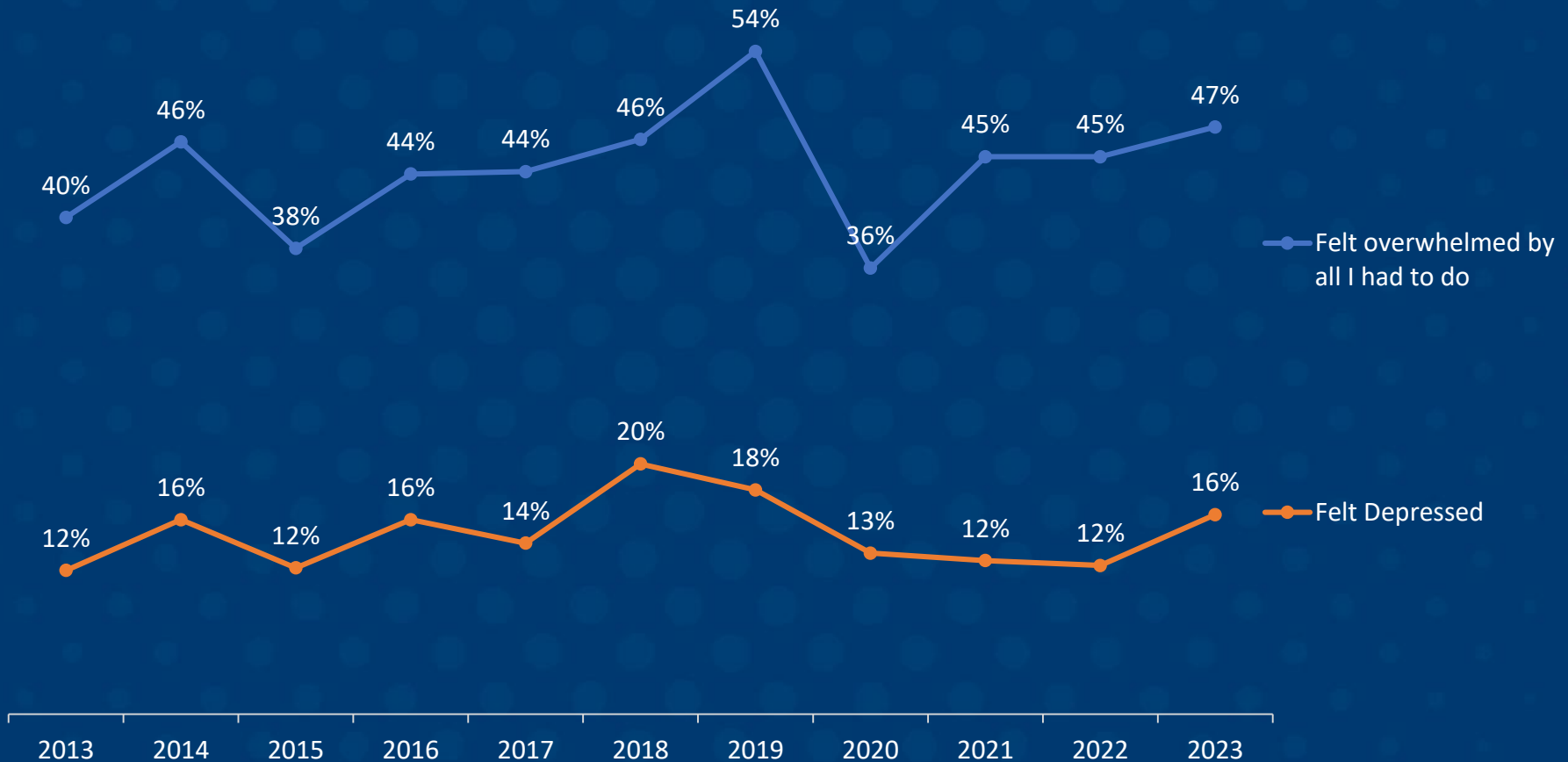


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Emotional Needs (2013-2023)

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Social Self-Concept Construct

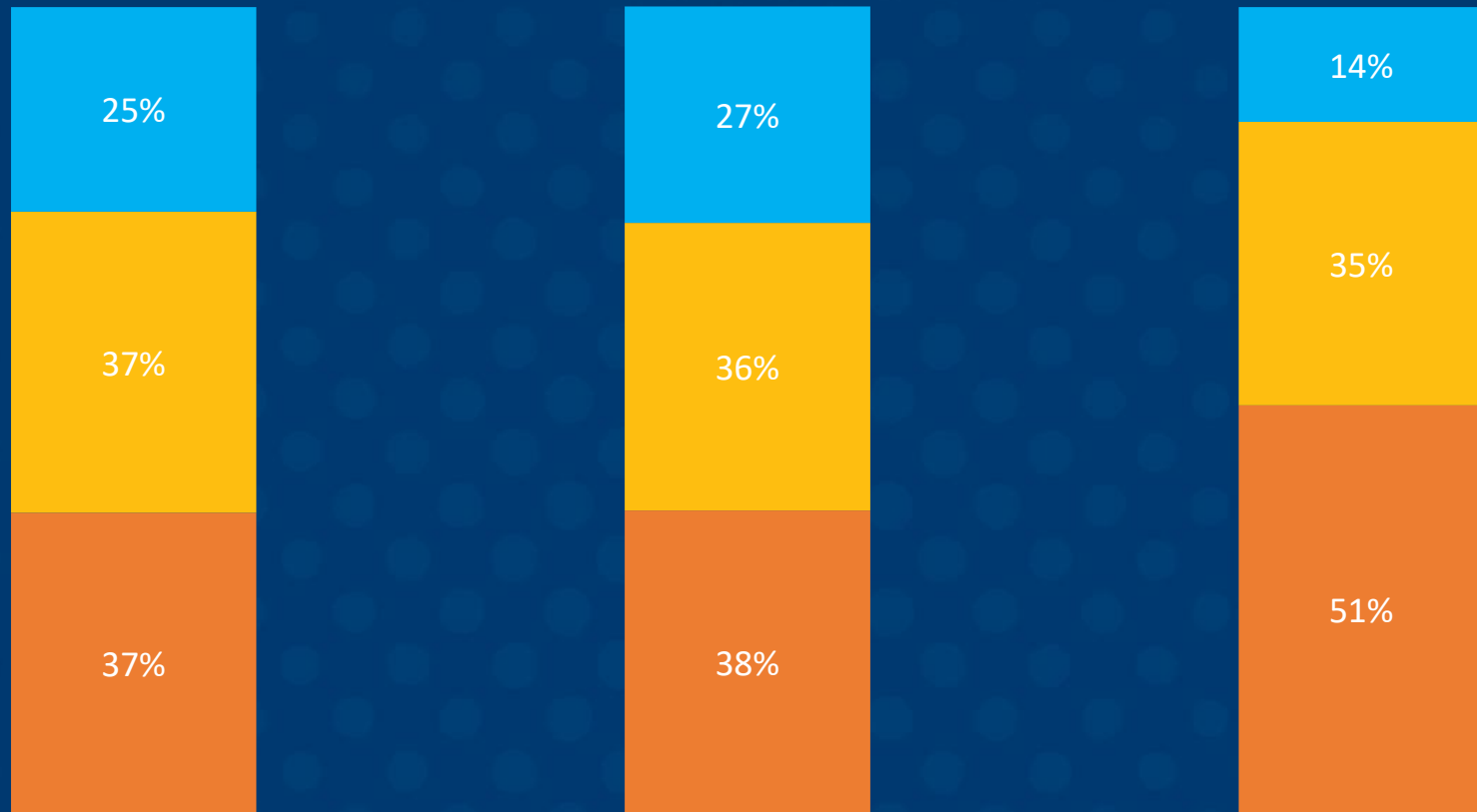
A unified measure of students beliefs about their abilities and confidence in social situations

Rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared with the average person your age:

- Self-confidence - social
- Leadership ability
- Public speaking ability



Social Self-Concept Construct Change over time



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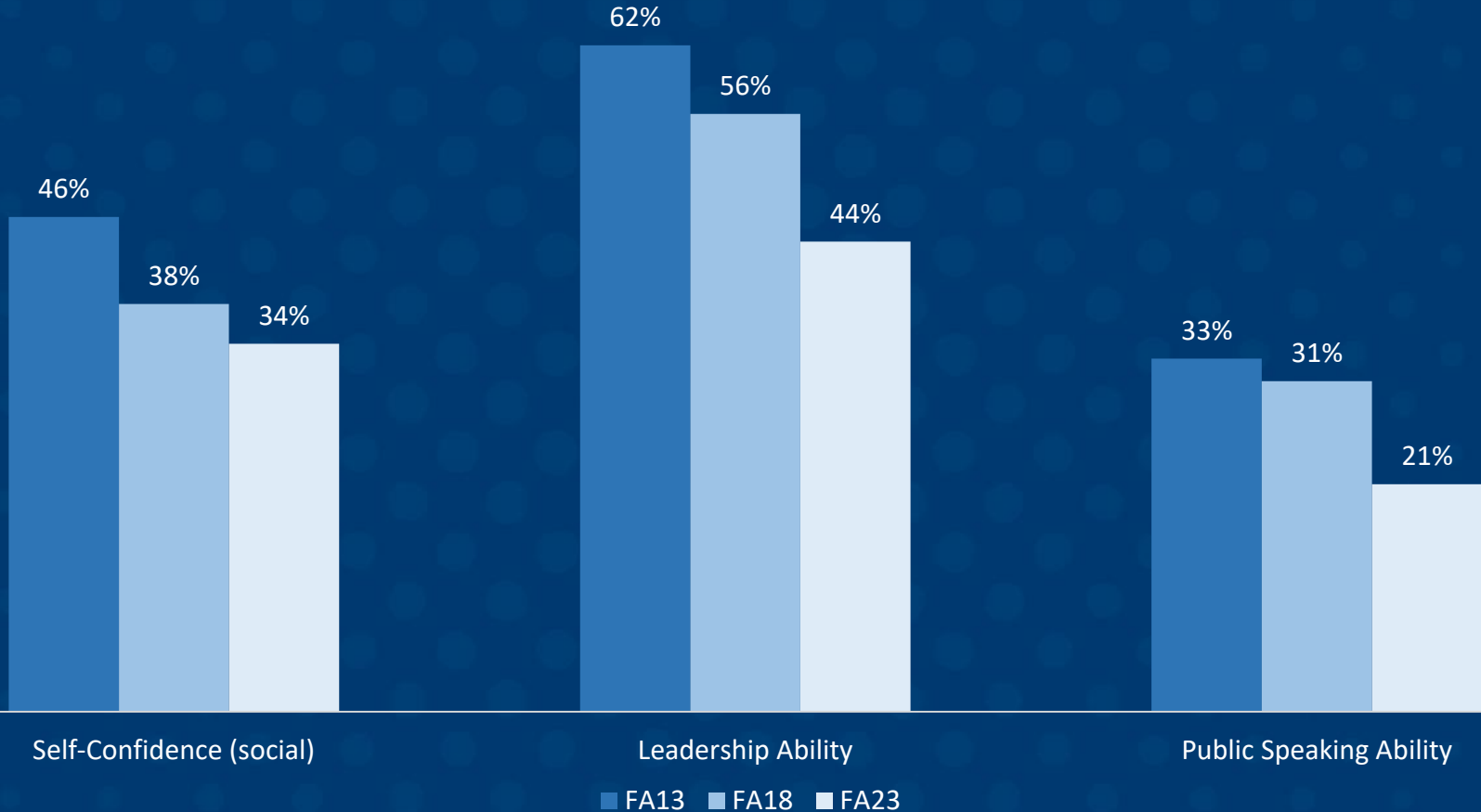
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Social Self-Concept Items

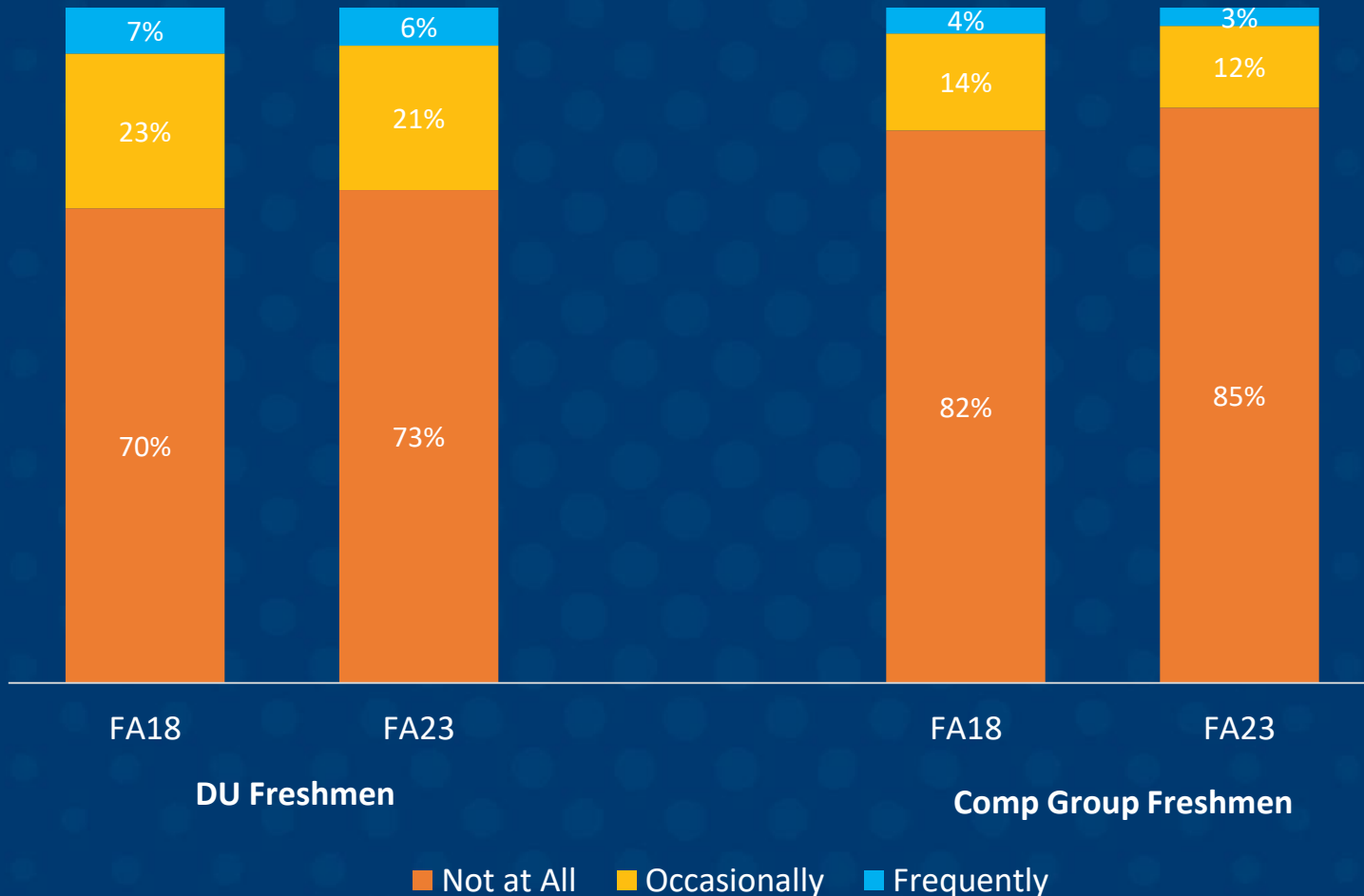
Change over time

Rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared with the average person your age:
(% indicating "Above Average")





New Issue: DU Students' food security*



* Not added to CIRP survey until FA18.



Views on National Issues – Who Agrees?

**Affirmative Action
in College
Admissions should
be abolished**

Dominican: 55%

Comp: 56%

**Racial Discrimination
no longer a problem
in America**

Dominican: 11%

Comp: 17%

**The U.S. government
should create a clear
path to citizenship for
undocumented
immigrants**

Dominican: 96%

Comp: 88%

**Federal Military
Spending should
be increased**

Dominican: 32%

Comp: 48%

**Undocumented
immigrants should
be denied access to
public education**

Dominican: 5%

Comp: 22%

**Abortion should
be legal**

Dominican: 78%

Comp: 74%



Discussion