Decades of KSU's Growth

Highlights

- KSU’s historical trends of annual growth have begun to slow after being exceptionally strong in the past. Over the past 46 years since the University’s inception in Fall 1966, record high fall enrollments have been achieved 40 times. Fall enrollment has declined significantly only four times from the previous year. The most recent decline of -0.40% was in 2012 and associated with the declining number of high school graduates in Georgia.

- Double-digit annual percentage increases in fall enrollment have become very difficult to realize. A percentage point gain in Fall 1967 only required 10 additional students over the total enrollment for Fall 1966. In Fall 2012, a one percentage point growth required 246 more students than were enrolled in Fall 2011.

- Over the past four decades, KSU’s rate of fall enrollment growth has slowed and been trending downward in terms of percentage increases and is likely to continue to do so. A 25% to 30% growth in the current decade (2006-2016) is likely if KSU’s 40-year trends continue, which would raise enrollment to between 25,000 and 27,000 students by Fall 2016.