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# Higher Education Opportunity Act Analysis of Degree Targets

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# Higher Education Opportunity Act

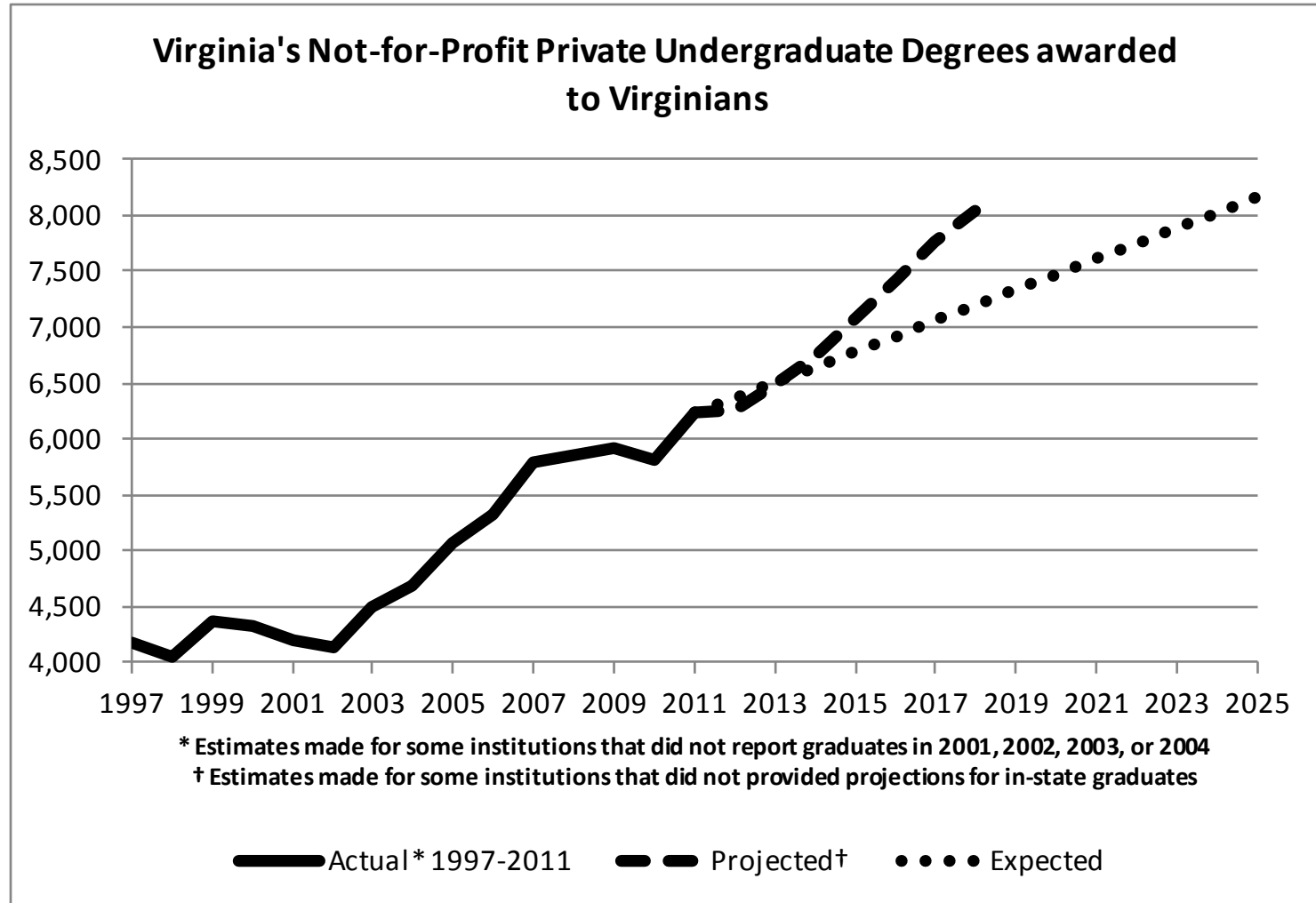
From § 23-38:87.10:

To place Virginia among the most highly educated states and countries by conferring approximately 100,000 cumulative additional undergraduate degrees on Virginians between 2011 and 2025, accompanied by a **comparable percentage increase in privately conferred** Virginia undergraduate degrees over the same period, and to achieve these targets by expanding enrollment of Virginians at public and private higher education institutions in the Commonwealth, improving undergraduate graduation and retention rates in the Virginia higher education system, and increasing degree completion by Virginians with partial credit toward a college degree, including students with ongoing job and family commitments who need access to nontraditional college-level educational opportunities.

# 100,000 Additional Public Degrees

- 100,000 additional in-state Associate and Bachelor degrees between 2011 and 2025.
- An increase of 953 degrees per year for 14 years for a cumulative total of 100,065 degrees.
- Degree growth from 43,432 in 2011 to 56,774 by 2025 or an increase of 31%.
- Virginia's not-for-profit private colleges awarded 6,232 degrees in 2011.
- A 31% increase would result in 8,164 degrees by 2025.
- This requires an annual increase of 138 degrees for a cumulative total of 14,490 degrees by 2025.

# 14,490 Additional Private Degrees



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