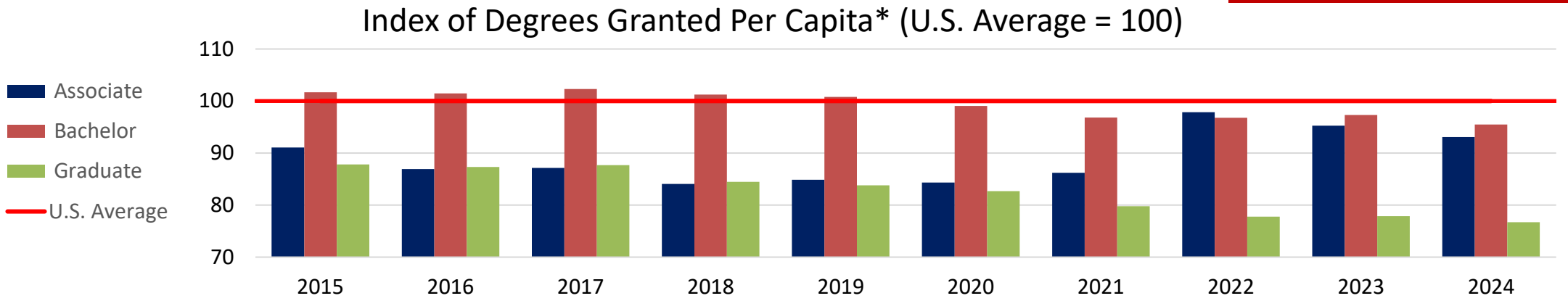
Ohio below national average in degrees granted per capita



*This index compares degrees granted by Ohio's colleges and universities to the national average on a per-capita basis. An index score of 105 indicates that Ohio is 5% above the national average; an index score of 95 indicates that Ohio is 5% below the national average.

Sources: National Center for Education Statistics; U.S. Census Bureau

- On a per-capita basis, Ohio was below the national average in granting associate, bachelor, and graduate degrees in 2024.
- In 2024, the number of associate degrees granted per capita was 6.9% below the national average. This is 4.8 percentage points lower than in 2022, when Ohio was 2.1% below the national average. 2022 marked the only time in this ten-year period that Ohio's index of associate degrees granted per capita was higher than its index of bachelor degrees granted per capita.
- In 2024, the number of bachelor degrees granted per capita in Ohio continued to decline, falling 4.5% below the national average. This is 6.8 percentage points lower than the decade high in 2017, when Ohio was 2.3% above the national average.
- In 2024, the number of graduate degrees granted per capita was 23.3% below the national average, continuing an overall move away from the national average over the last decade.
- On a per-capita basis, Ohio ranked 32nd in the nation in 2024 when aggregating all postsecondary degrees granted.