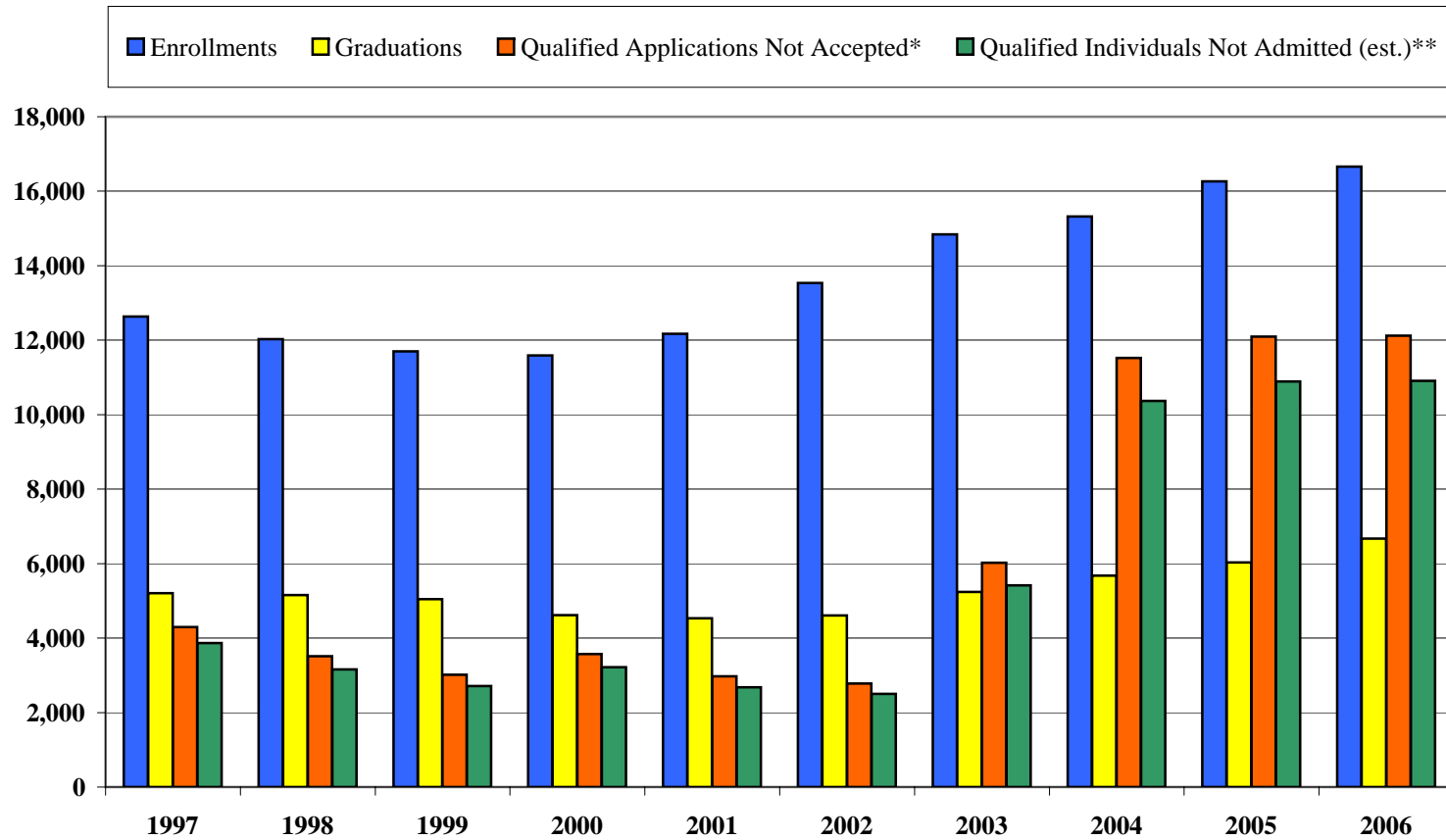


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Graduations, qualified applications not accepted, and individuals not admitted are reported for each academic year. Enrollments are reported for the fall of each year.

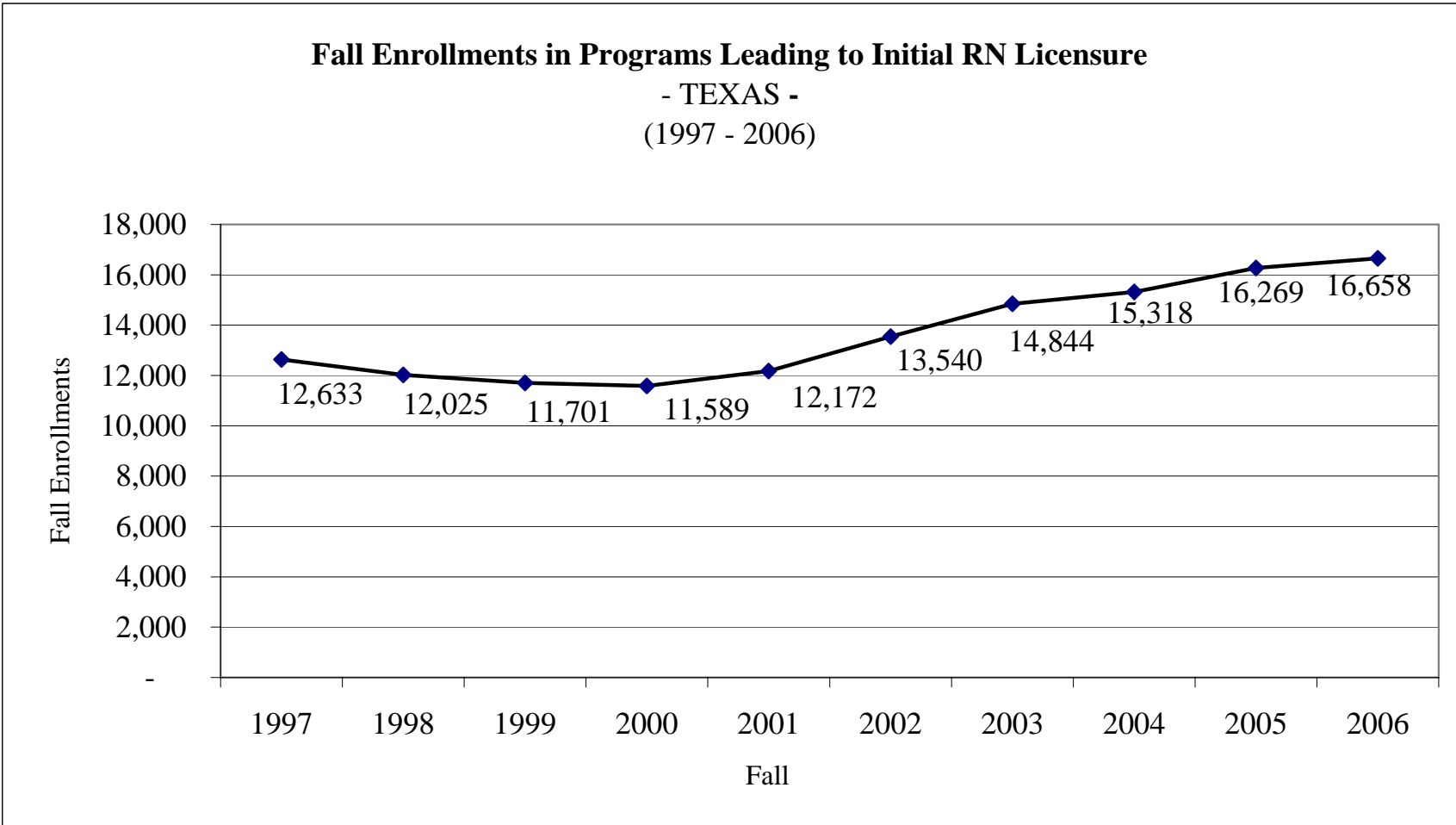
**Enrollments, Graduations, Qualified Applications Not Accepted and Individuals Not Admitted
to Initial RN Licensure Programs in Texas
1997 to 2006**

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Enrollments	12,633	12,025	11,701	11,589	12,172	13,540	14,844	15,318	16,269	16,658
Graduations	5,206	5,156	5,042	4,615	4,531	4,609	5,243	5,677	6,029	6,674
Qualified Applications Not Accepted*	4,294	3,512	3,013	3,575	2,974	2,781	6,019	11,523	12,097	12,119
Qualified Individuals Not Admitted (est.)**	3,865	3,161	2,712	3,218	2,677	2,503	5,417	10,371	10,887	10,907

* Numbers through 2004 are from reports provided by the State Board of Nurse Examiners based on annual reports from all initial RN licensure programs in Texas. Beginning with 2005, these numbers are published jointly by the BNE and the Texas Center for Nursing Workforce Studies. These numbers include duplicate applications submitted by the same individual as well as individuals who were admitted to one program, but denied by one or more of the others to which they applied.

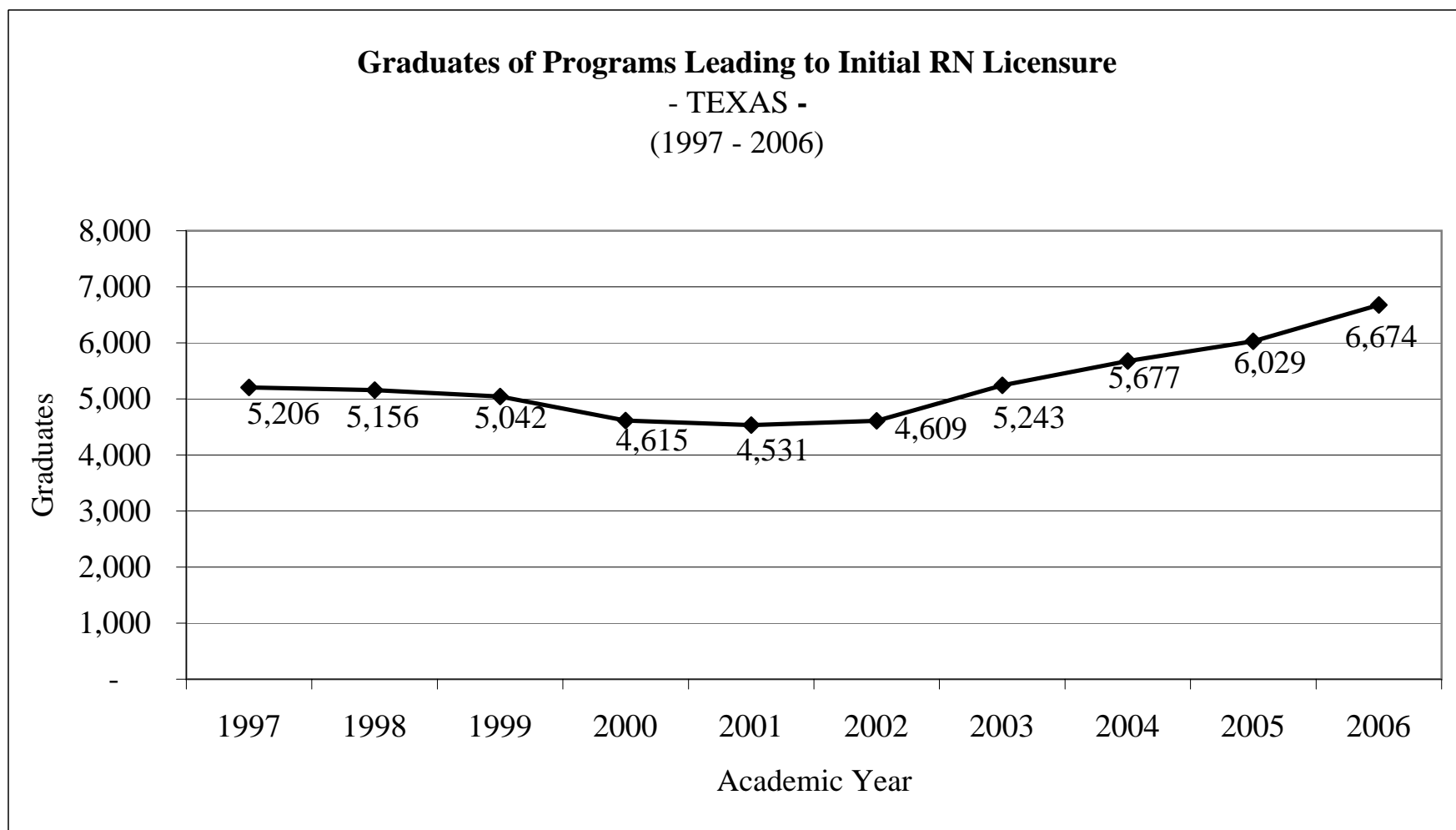
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A separate data source, based on an independent survey by Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, revealed a statewide qualified applications duplication rate of 9.6 percent for academic year 2003 based on a 90 percent response rate from the state's initial RN licensure programs. The Coordinating Board's number was rounded to 10 percent and applied to the number of qualified applications not accepted as reported by BNE for each year from 1997 through 2005. Though not methodologically sound, this approach provides a proxy estimate of the level of duplication likely to be found in BNE's numbers of qualified applications not accepted.



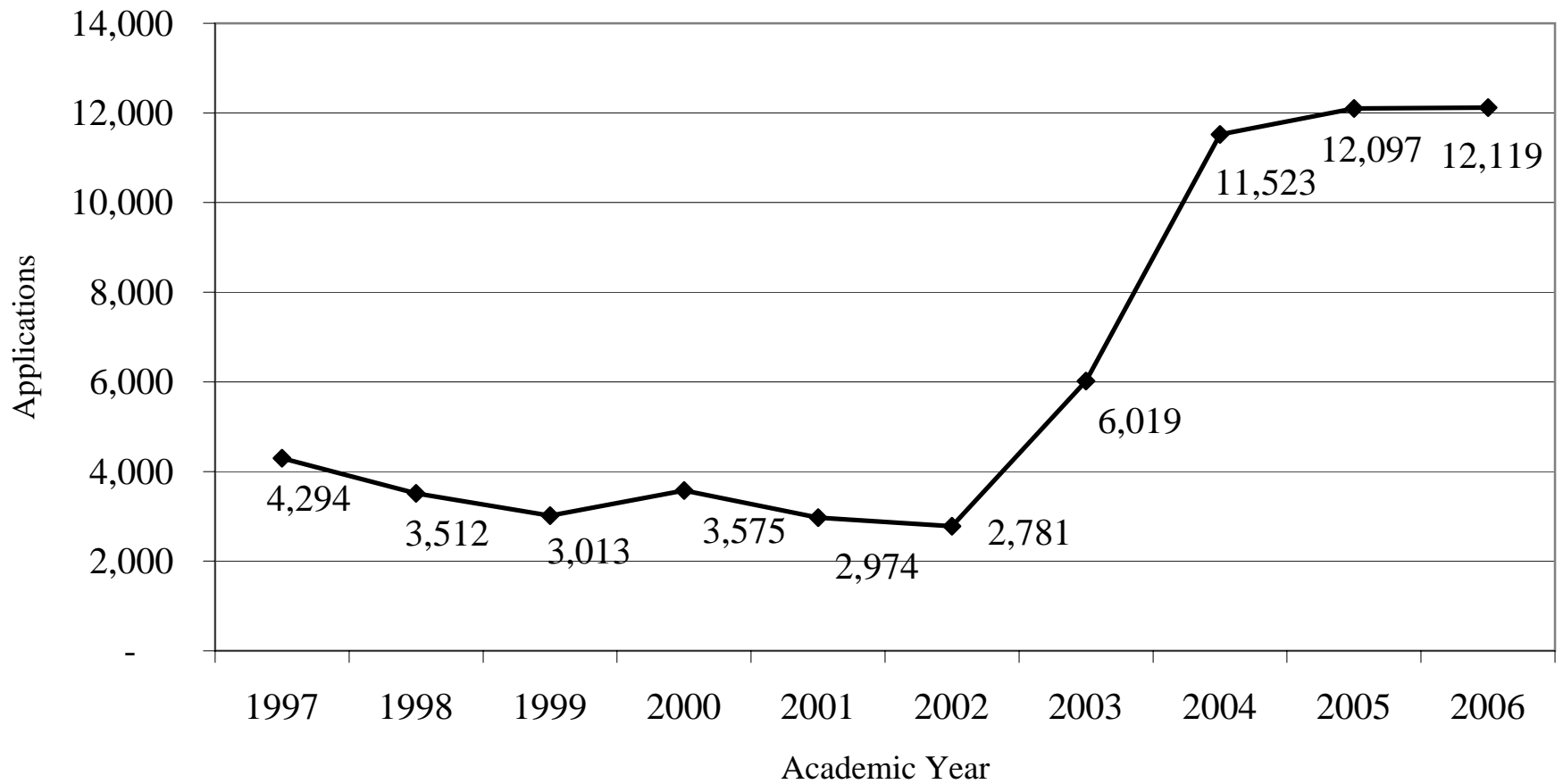
Fall 2006 enrollments are up 5,069 or 44 percent above Fall 2000.

Source: State Board of Nurse Examiners
Prepared by The WorkSource for the Gulf Coast Health Services Steering Committee



Graduations for academic year 2005 - 2006 are up 2,059 or 45 percent above 1999 - 2000.

**Qualified Applications Not Accepted to Programs Leading to Initial RN
Licensure
- TEXAS -
(1997 - 2006)**



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		2000	% diff	2001	% diff	2002	% diff	2003	% diff	2004	Cum % Diff	2005	Cum % Diff	2006	Cum % Diff
Enrollments															
	Texas	11,589		12,172		13,540		14,844		15,318		16,269		16,658	
			5.0%		11.2%		9.6%		3.2%		32.2%		33.7%		
	Gulf Coast	2,277		2,351		2,617		2,835		3,049		3,140			
			3.2%		11.3%		8.3%		7.5%		33.9%		33.6%		
	GC% of Texas	19.6%		19.3%		19.3%		19.1%		19.9%		19.3%			
	Non-Gulf Coast Texas	9,312		9,821		10,923		12,009		12,269		13,129			
			5.5%		11.2%		9.9%		2.2%		31.8%		33.7%		
Graduations															
	Texas	4,615		4,531		4,485		5,303		5,677		6,399		7,248	
			-1.8%		-1.0%		18.2%		7.1%		23.0%		41.2%		61.6%
	Gulf Coast	806		921		868		985		1,077		1,205			
			14.3%		-5.8%		13.5%		9.3%		33.6%		30.8%		
	GC% of Texas	17.5%		20.3%		19.4%		18.6%		19.0%		18.8%			
	Non-Gulf Coast Texas	3,809		3,610		3,617		4,318		4,600		5,194			
			-5.2%		0.2%		19.4%		6.5%		20.8%		43.9%		