

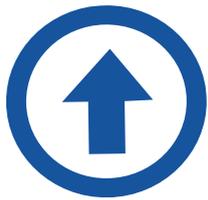


# NATIONAL LETTER OF INTENT 2016-17 SIGNING YEAR STATUS REPORT

- 2017-18 ENROLLEES -

**TOTAL NLI SIGNINGS: 45,687**

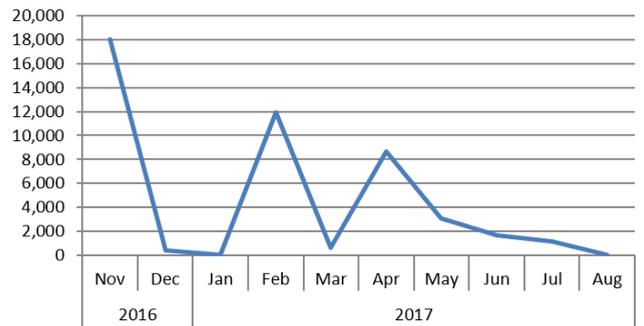
45,687 NLI signed during the 2016-17 signing year.



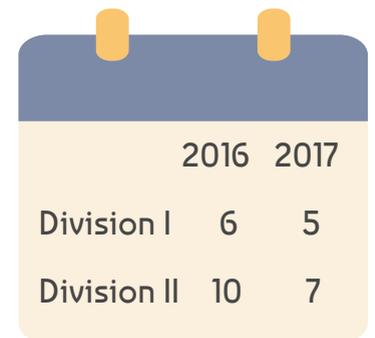
Increase of 1,586 NLI

- 663 in Division I -

- 923 in Division II -



Average Days from Signing to Conference Entry



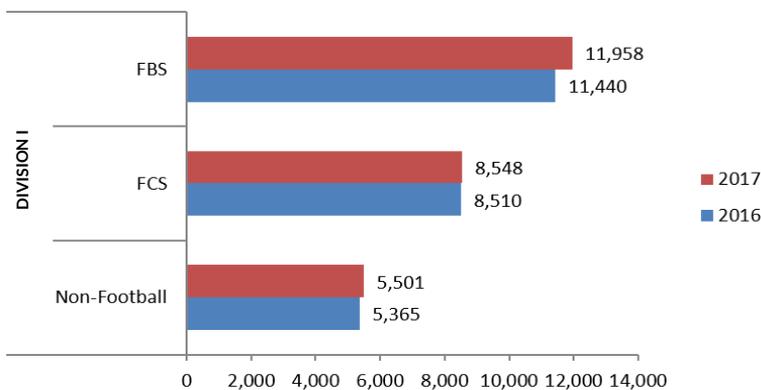
## NLI STATUS

	2016	2017
INVALID	197	342
NULL-VOID	594	470
VALID	43,308	44,875

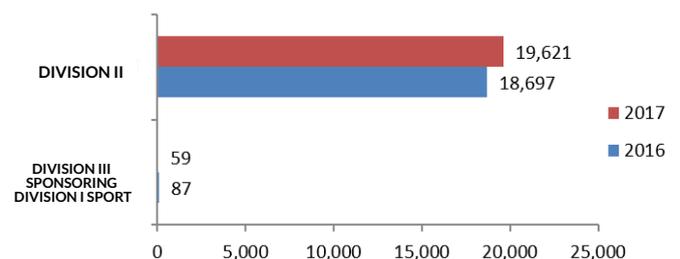
## DIVISION AND SUBDIVISION



Division I member institutions accounted for 57 percent and Division II for 43 percent of NLI signings; one percent decrease in Division I and a one percent increase in Division II.

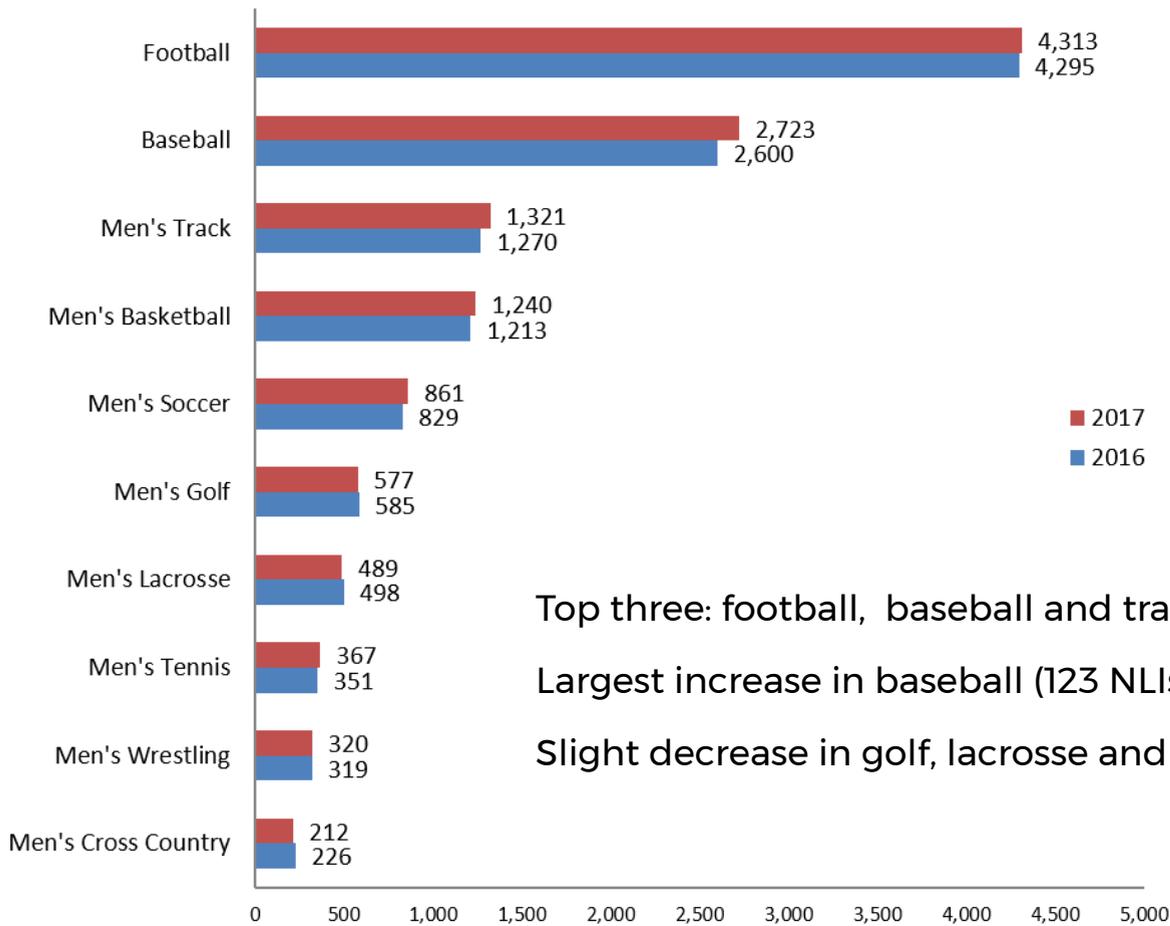


**26,066**



**19,621**

# DIVISION I MEN'S SPORTS

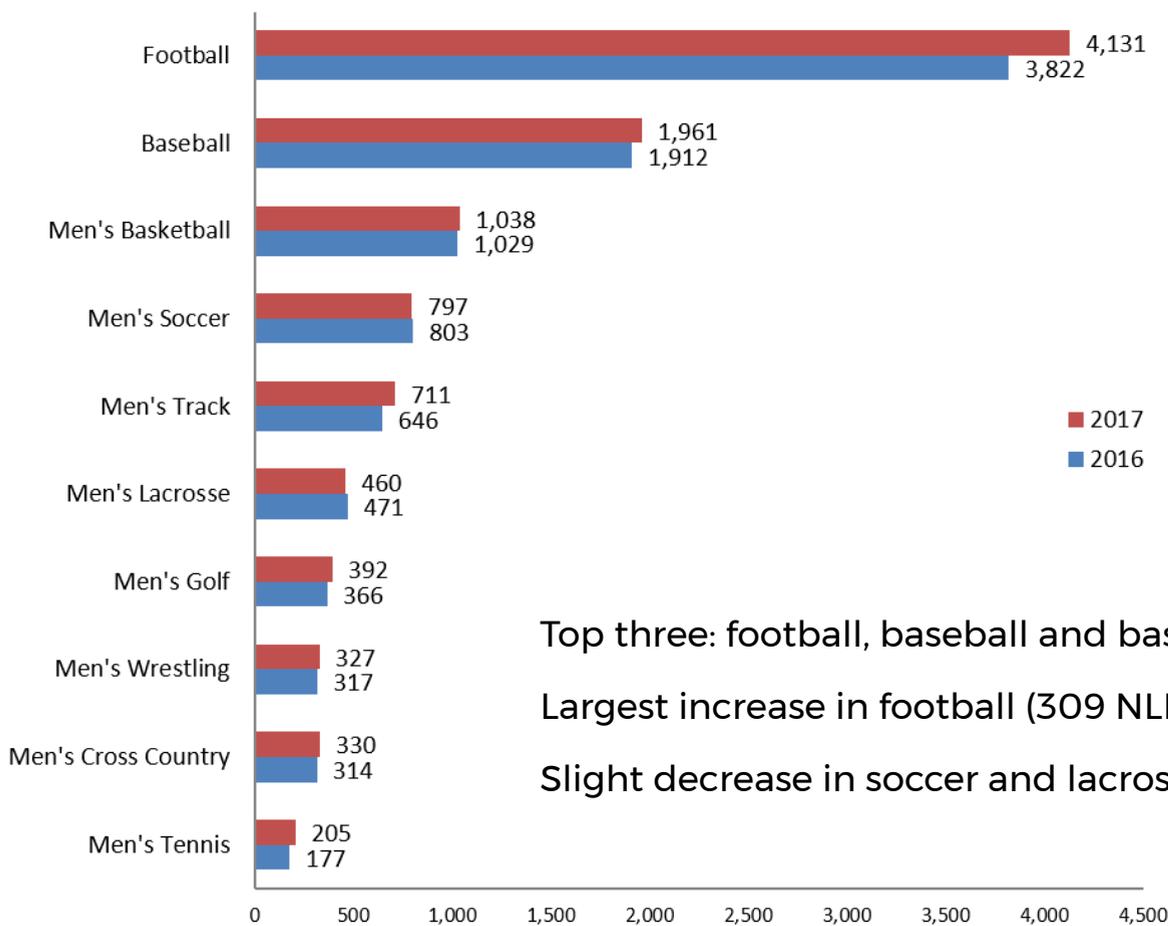


Top three: football, baseball and track

Largest increase in baseball (123 NLI's)

Slight decrease in golf, lacrosse and cross country

# DIVISION II MEN'S SPORTS

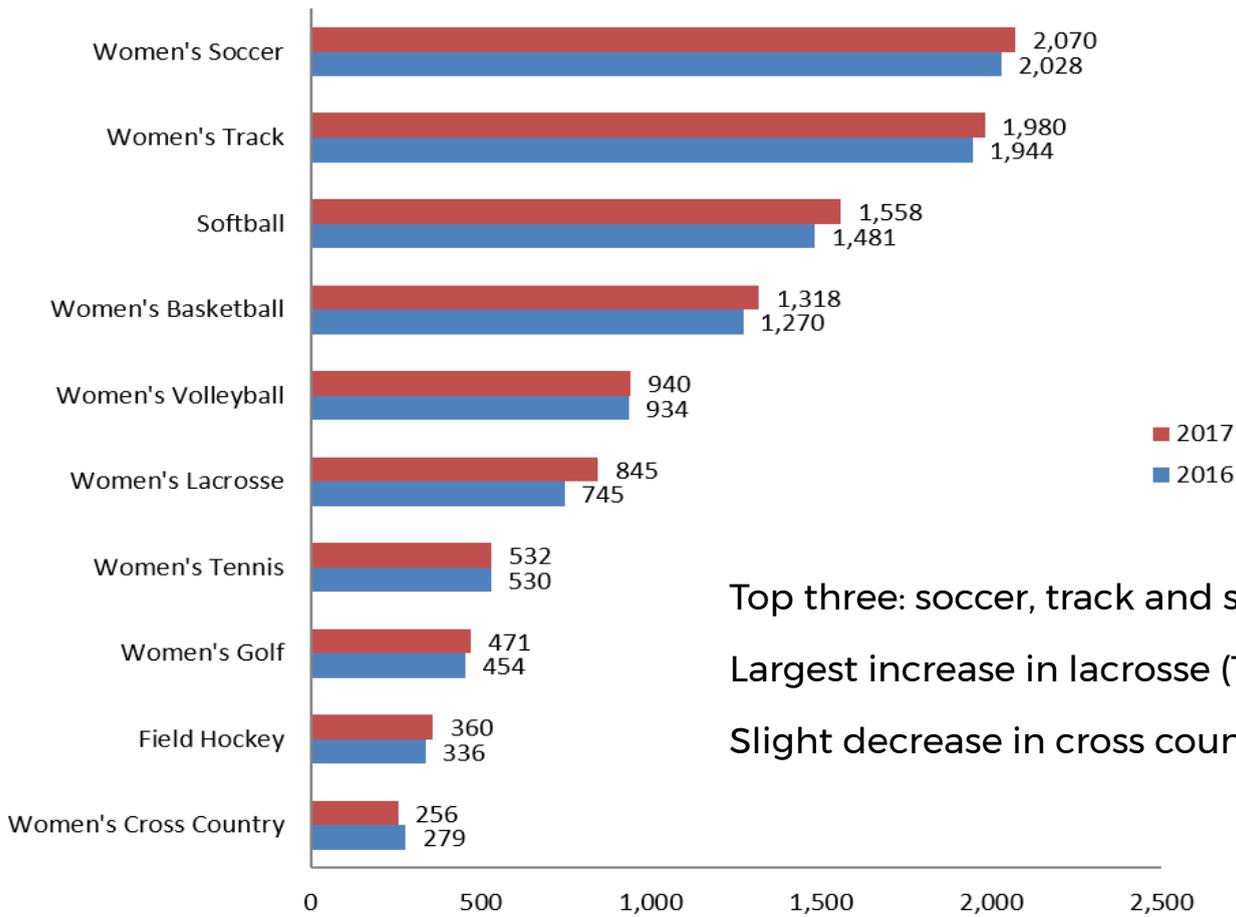


Top three: football, baseball and basketball

Largest increase in football (309 NLI's)

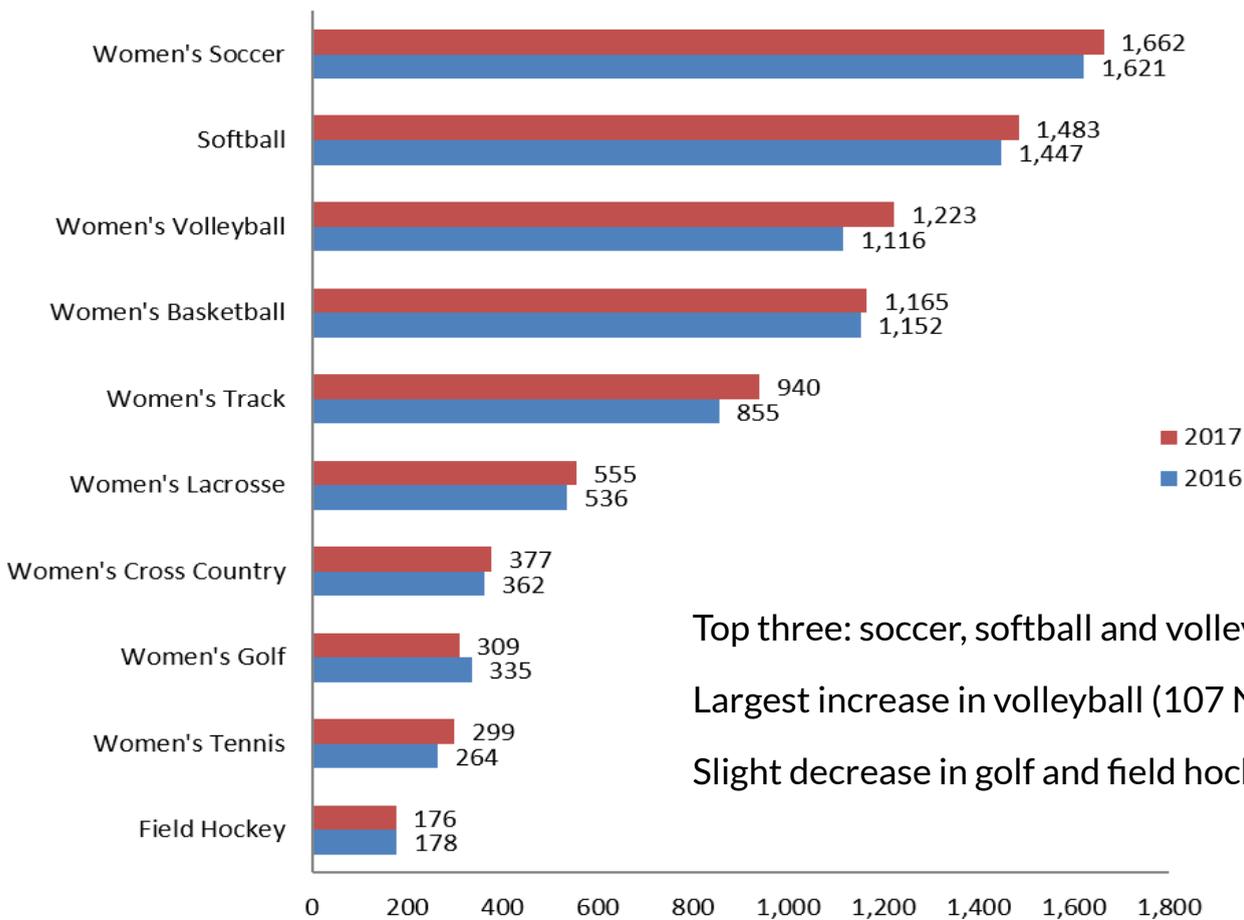
Slight decrease in soccer and lacrosse

# DIVISION I WOMEN'S SPORTS



Top three: soccer, track and softball  
 Largest increase in lacrosse (100 NLIs)  
 Slight decrease in cross country

# DIVISION II WOMEN'S SPORTS



Top three: soccer, softball and volleyball  
 Largest increase in volleyball (107 NLIs)  
 Slight decrease in golf and field hockey



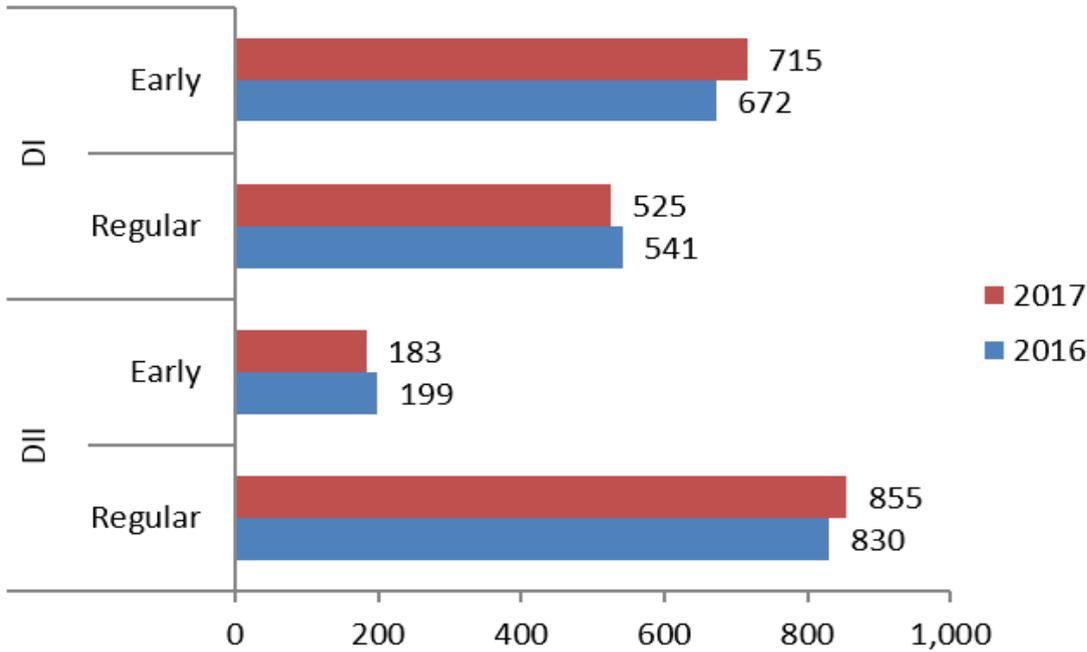
## SIGNED EARLY

2016

2017

DIVISION I - 55%  
DIVISION II - 19%

DIVISION I - 58%  
DIVISION II - 18%



## SIGNED ON FIRST SIGNING DATE IN NOVEMBER

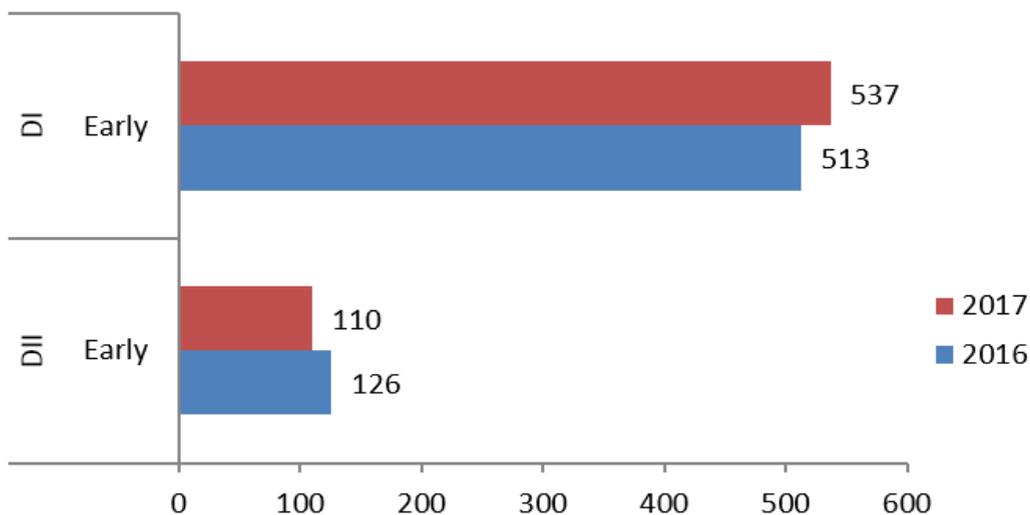
2016

2017

DIVISION I - 76%  
DIVISION II - 63%

**EARLY  
SIGNING**

DIVISION I - 75%  
DIVISION II - 60%





# WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

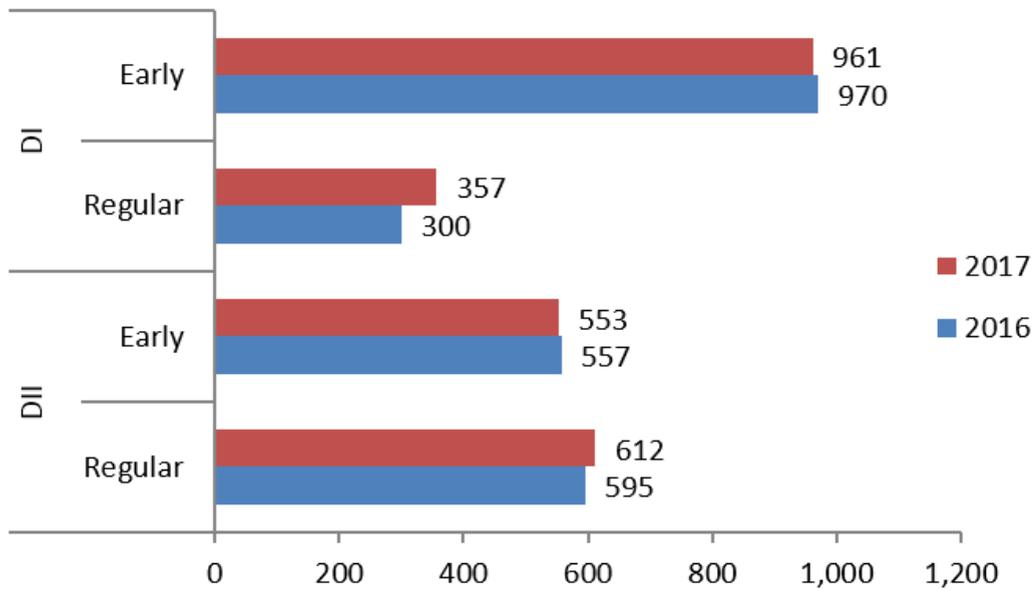
## SIGNED EARLY

2016

2017

DIVISION I - 76%  
DIVISION II - 48%

DIVISION I - 73%  
DIVISION II - 47%



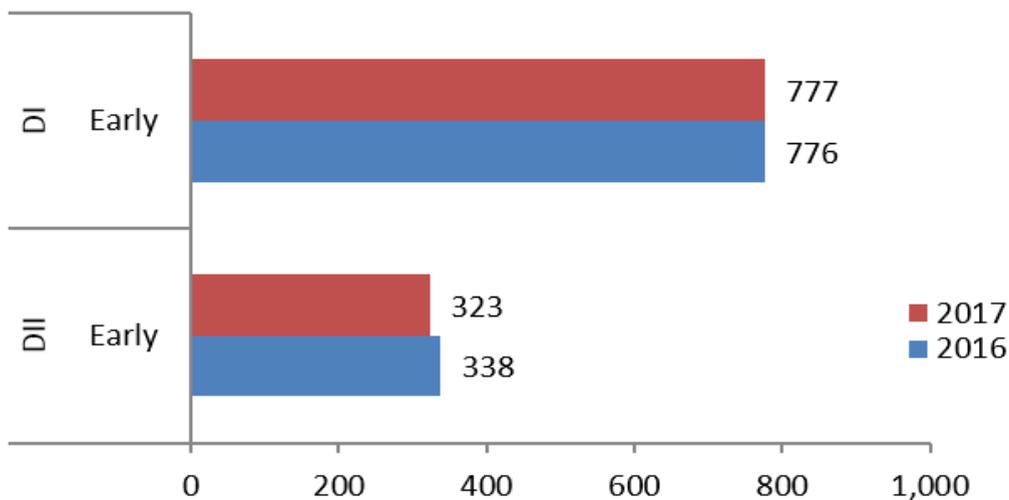
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2016

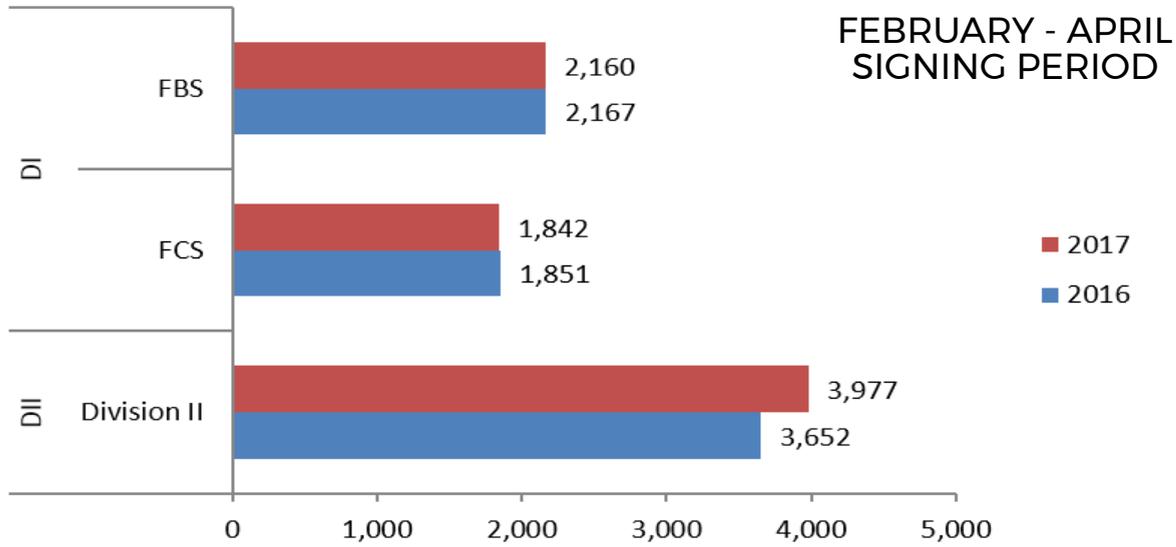
2017

DIVISION I - 80%  
DIVISION II - 61%

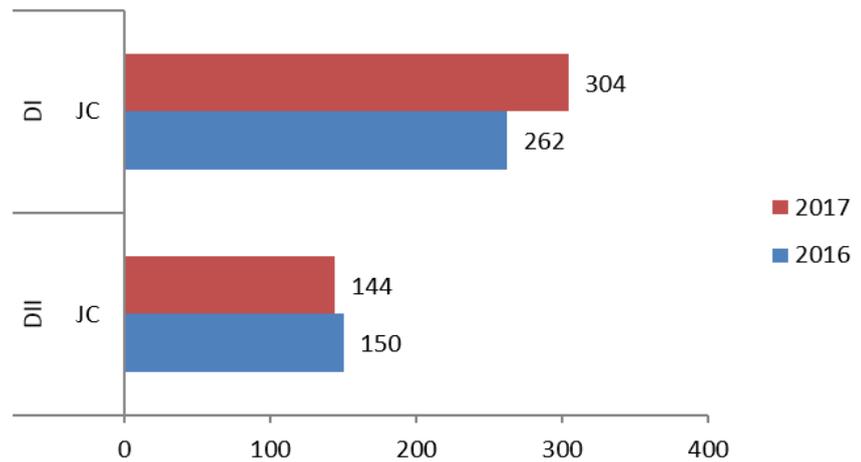
DIVISION I - 81%  
DIVISION II - 58%



# FOOTBALL

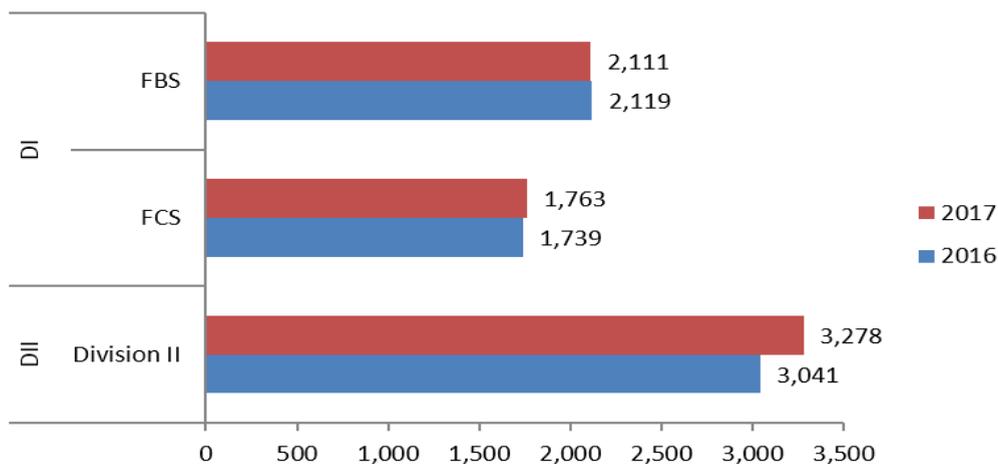


### DECEMBER - JANUARY MIDYEAR JC TRANSFER SIGNING PERIOD



### SIGNED ON FIRST SIGNING DATE IN FEBRUARY

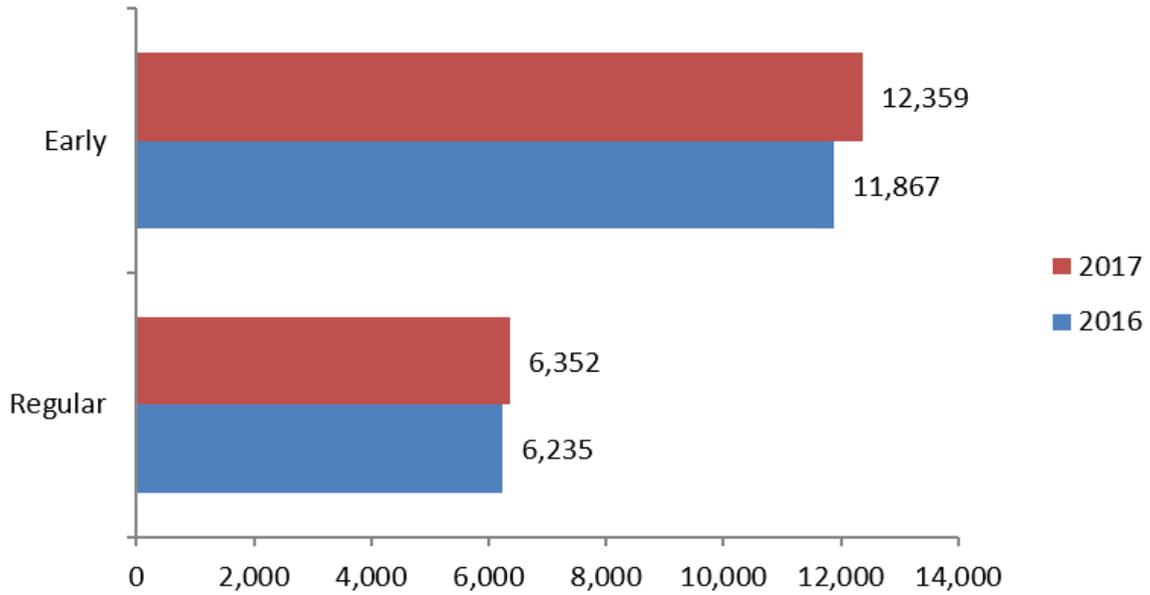
<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
FBS - 98%	FBS - 98%
FCS - 94%	FCS - 96%
DIVISION II - 83%	DIVISION II - 83%



# SIGNING PERIODS

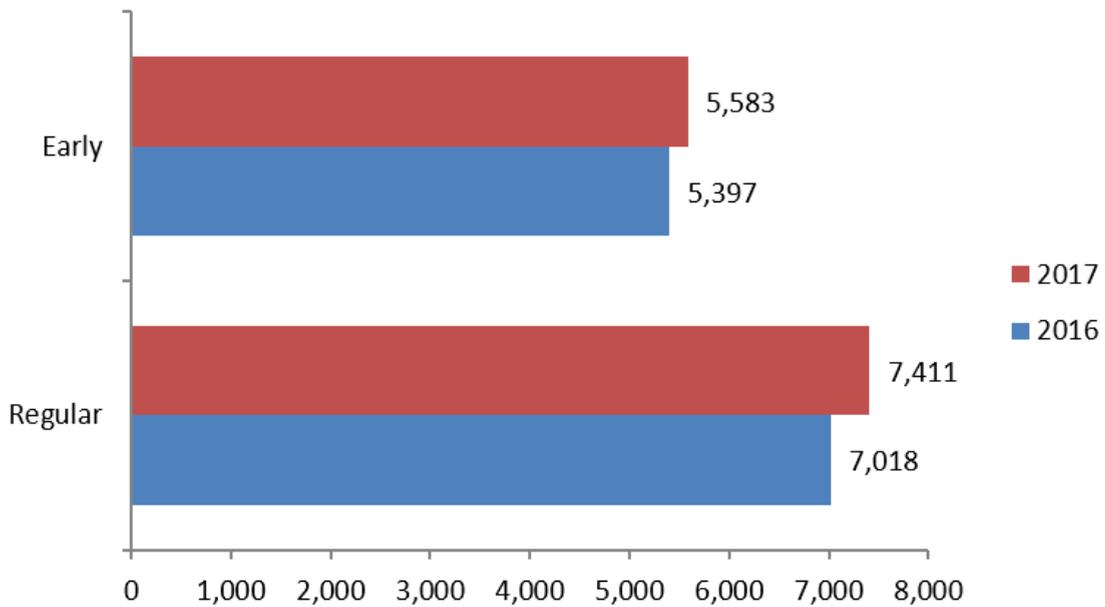
## DIVISION I

2017 - 65% SIGNED EARLY  
2016 - 66% SIGNED EARLY



## DIVISION II

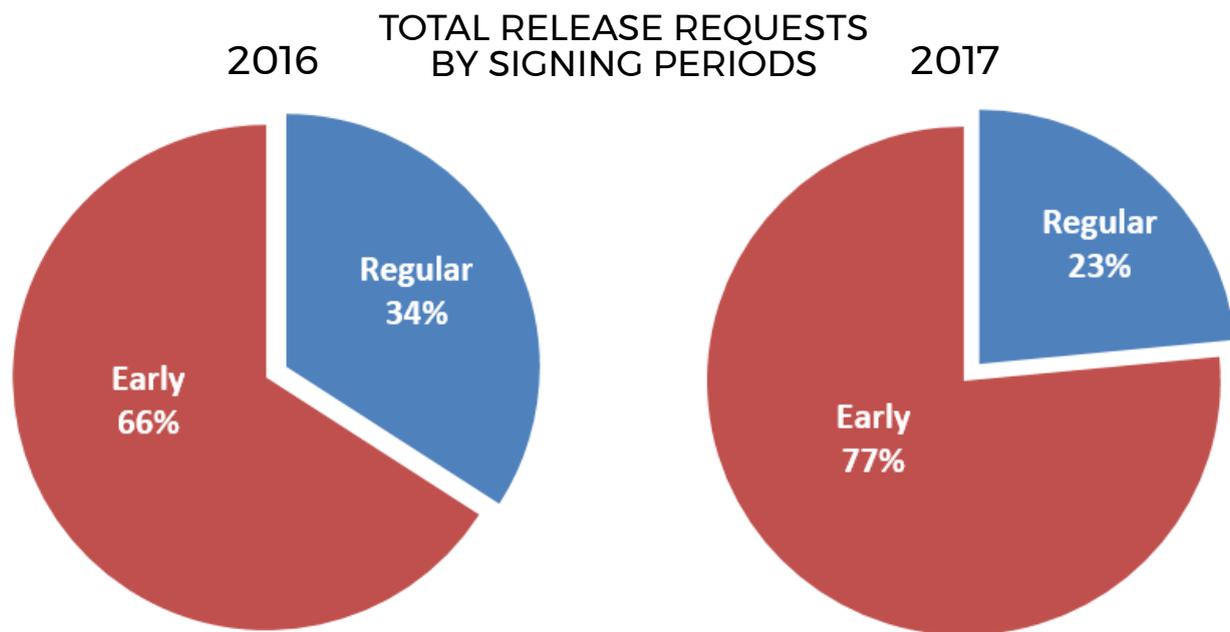
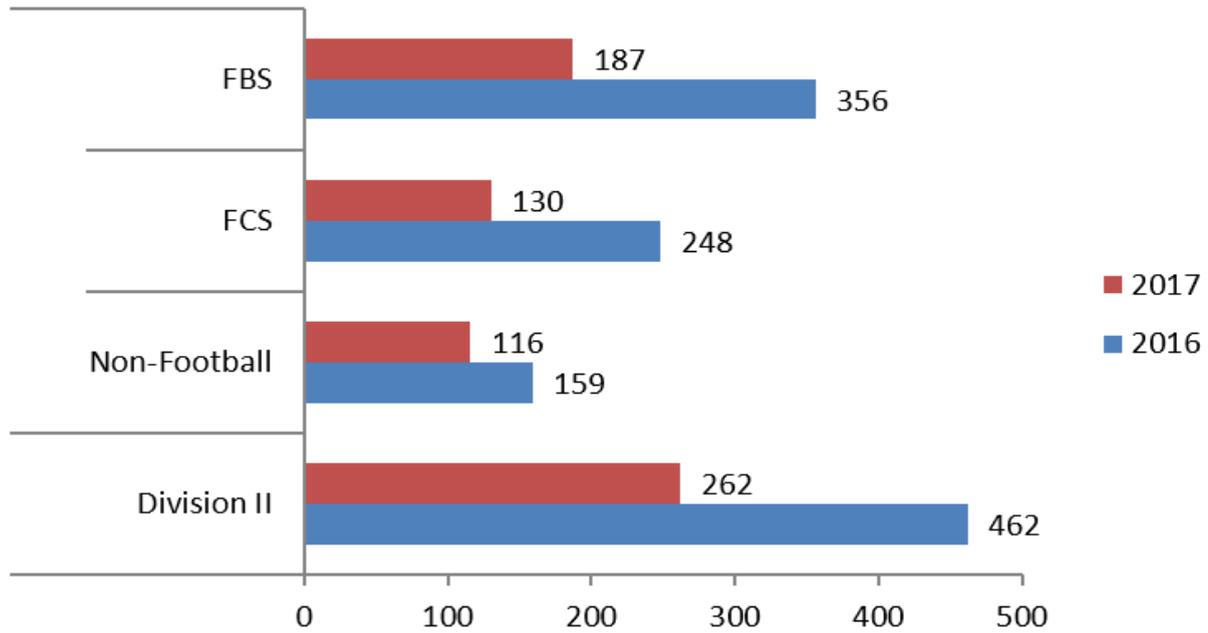
2017 - 44% SIGNED EARLY  
2016 - 43% SIGNED EARLY



## SPORTS WITHOUT EARLY SIGNING

FOOTBALL  
SOCCER  
MEN'S WATER POLO

# NLI RELEASE REQUESTS



## DIVISIONAL BREAKDOWN

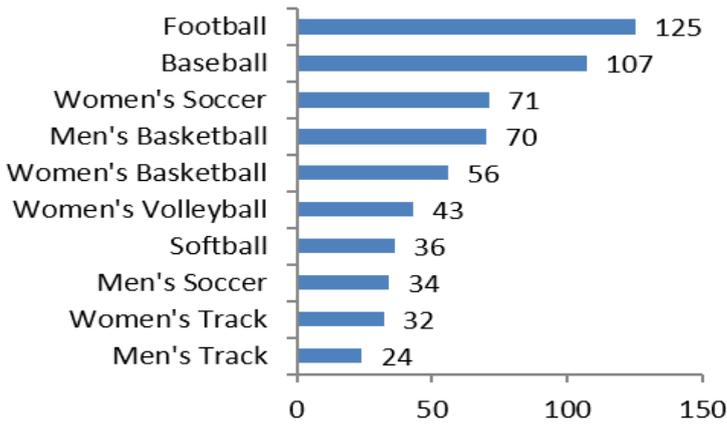
2016	2017*
DIVISION I (Early) 75% - (Regular) 25%	DIVISION I (Early) 82% - (Regular) 18%
DIVISION II - (Early) 50% - (Regular) 50%	DIVISION II - (Early) 65% - (Regular) 35%

2017 - 695\* Release Requests  
 2016 - 1225 Release Requests (2.7% of NLI Signees)

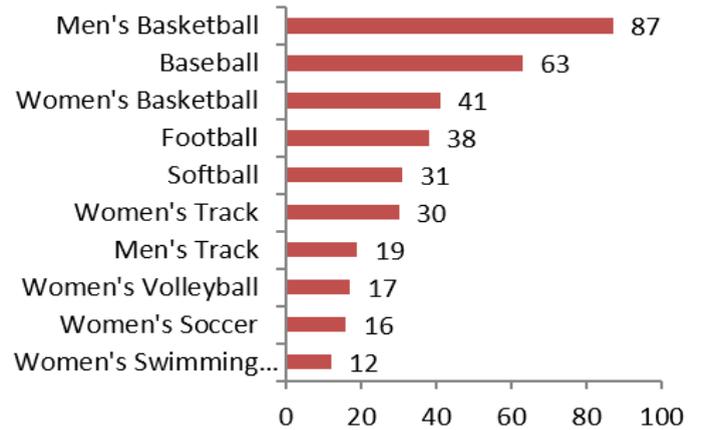
\*2017 release requests number will increase in the coming months as the 2017-18 signees continue to submit releases.

DIVISION I

2016

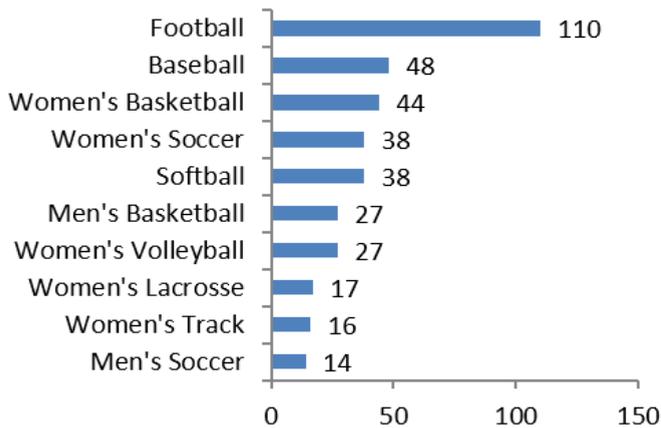


2017\*

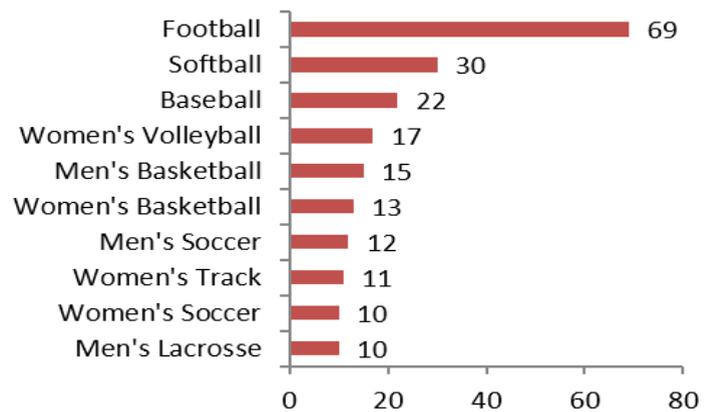


DIVISION II

2016



2017\*



Division I institutions accounted for 61% of NLI release requests; decrease of 5% over the last two years.

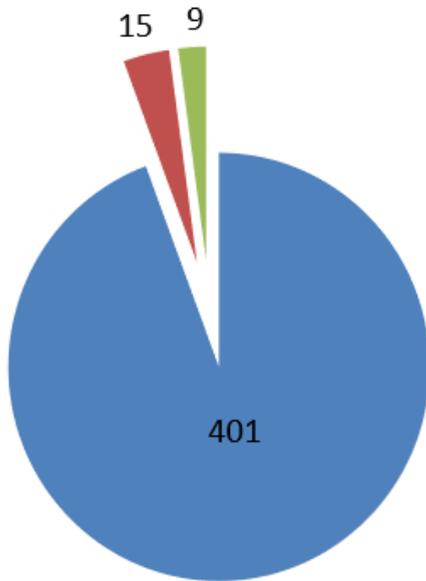
As Division I release requests decreased, Division II release requests slightly increased to 39%.

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# NLI RELEASE DECISIONS

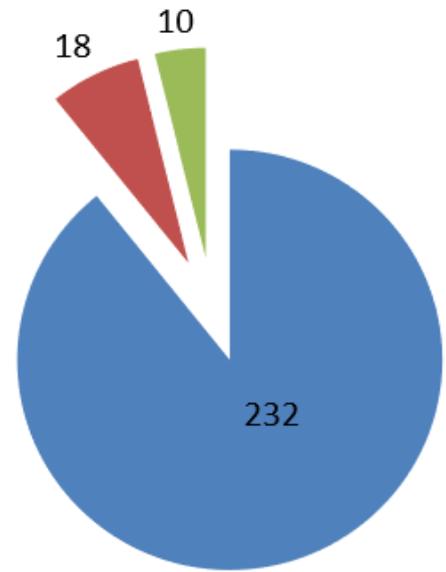
93% of NLI signees granted complete releases

## DIVISION I

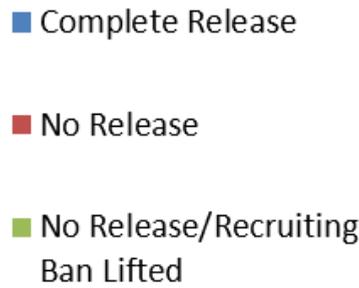


DI Complete releases - 94%

## DIVISION II



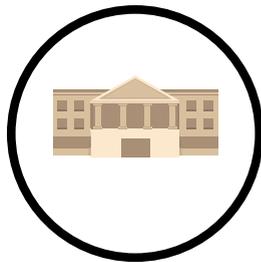
DII Complete releases - 89%



## TOP FIVE REASONS FOR NLI RELEASE REQUEST



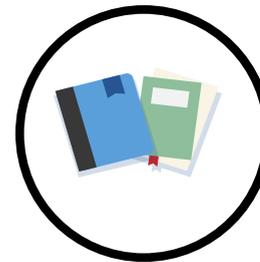
COACHING CHANGE



ATTEND DIFFERENT INSTITUTION



FINANCIAL HARDSHIP



ACADEMIC REASONS



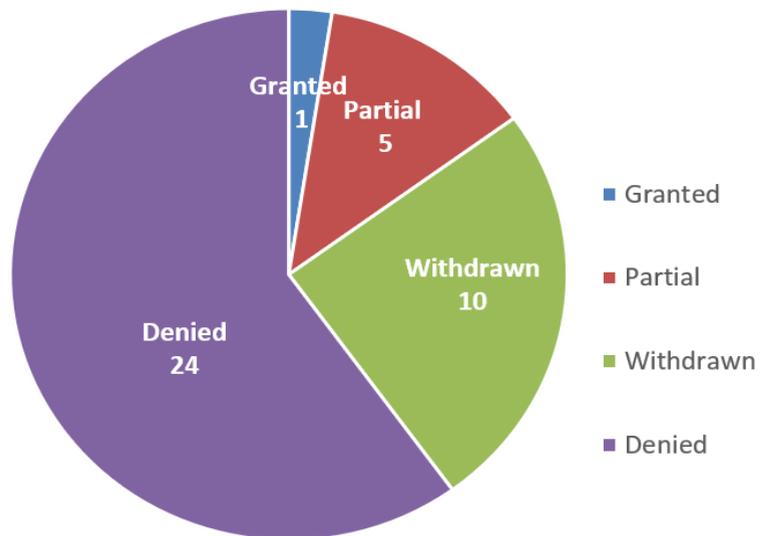
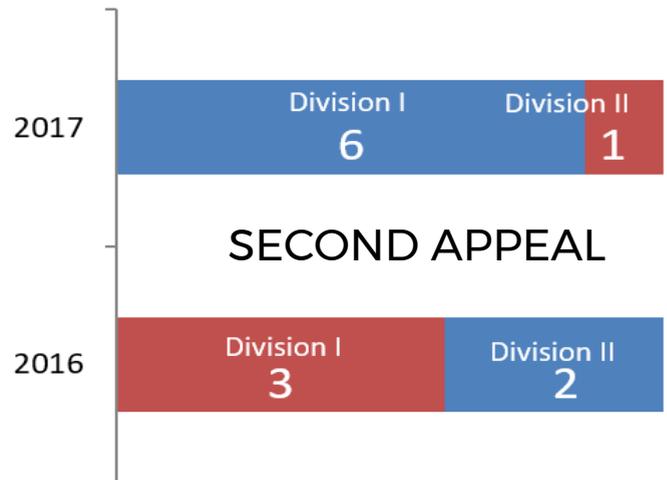
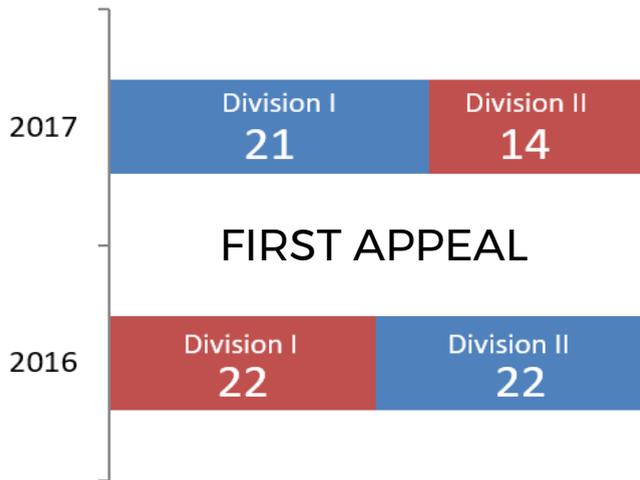
PERSONAL ISSUES

	COACHING CHANGE	ATTEND DIFFERENT INSTITUTION	FINANCIAL HARDSHIP	ACADEMIC REASONS	PERSONAL ISSUES
TOTAL	24%	13%	11%	10%	9%
DI	31%	11%	8%	11%	9%
DII	15%	17%	16%	9%	9%

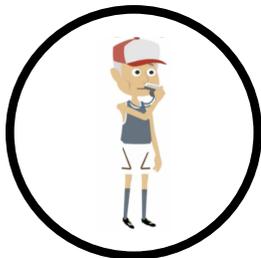
24% of signees requested an NLI release request due to a coaching change.

Coaching change was the most recorded reason for requesting a release in Division I and the most recorded for Division II was the signee's desire to attend a different institution.

# NLI APPEAL DECISIONS



## TOP THREE REASONS FOR NLI APPEAL



COACHING CHANGE

20%



DEGREE PROGRAM NOT OFFERED

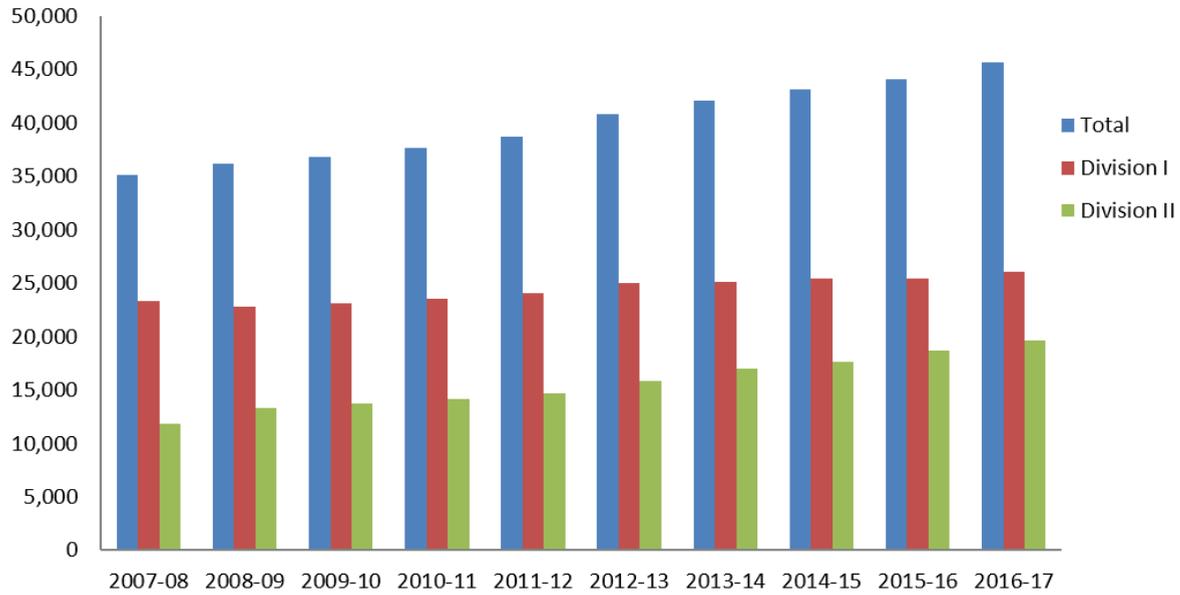
17%



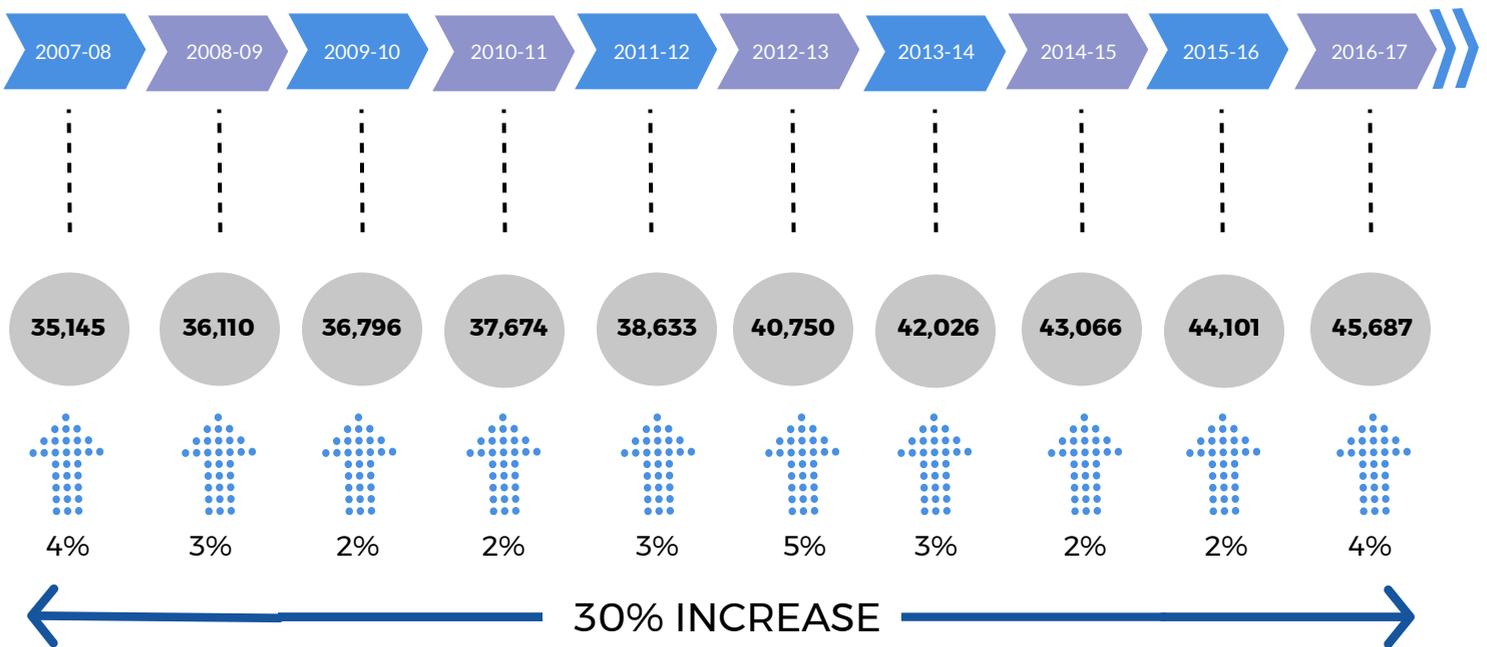
HOMESICKNESS

14%

# BY SIGNING YEARS



## TEN YEAR REVIEW



608 | ↔ | 655

8% MEMBER INSTITUTION INCREASE



INCREASE  
1.9% → 2.7%  
OF NLI SIGNEES  
REQUESTING  
RELEASE



# NLI Signings and Releases by Conference

\*2017 RELEASE COHORT NOT COMPLETED

Division I	NLIs		NLI Releases	
	2016	2017	2016	2017*
America East Conference	547	568	20	12
American Athletic Conference	995	973	51	11
Atlantic 10 Conference	890	938	23	20
Atlantic Coast Conference	1499	1487	27	22
ASUN Conference	508	496	17	7
Big 12 Conference	939	904	39	18
Big East Conference	530	592	9	11
Big Sky Conference	784	866	20	12
Big South Conference	747	647	21	8
Big Ten Conference	1556	1626	35	20
Big West Conference	710	734	18	14
Colonial Athletic Association	810	702	16	17
Conference USA	1130	1180	43	24
Horizon League	543	609	14	10
Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference	716	759	13	11
Mid-American Conference	952	1064	20	11
Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference	729	684	25	13
Missouri Valley Conference	606	556	10	9
Missouri Valley Football Conference	186	225	4	1
Mountain West Conference	812	933	27	16
Northeast Conference	759	821	23	8
Ohio Valley Conference	827	804	44	14
Pac-12 Conference	1184	1231	27	15
Patriot League	568	560	6	7
Southeastern Conference	1327	1410	43	31
Southern Conference	646	697	20	9
Southland Conference	820	825	37	16
Southwestern Athletic Conference	704	661	38	19
Sun Belt Conference	757	917	28	16
The Summit League	529	549	15	13
West Coast Conference	578	584	15	10
Western Athletic Conference	428	415	23	15

## NLI Signings and Releases by Conference

\*2017 RELEASE COHORT NOT COMPLETED

Division II	NLIs		NLI Releases	
	2016	2017	2016	2017*
California Collegiate Athletic Association	563	575	23	6
Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference	491	519	9	12
Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association	286	363	13	3
Conference Carolinas	646	750	14	9
East Coast Conference	451	484	9	5
Eastern College Athletic Conference	11	65	8	3
Great American Conference	1033	1107	31	19
Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	1148	1115	29	11
Great Lakes Valley Conference	1179	1058	23	15
Great Midwest Athletic Conference	403	462	13	8
Great Northwest Athletic Conference	523	515	22	5
Gulf South Conference	790	843	16	13
Heartland Conference	474	513	17	3
Lone Star Conference	759	864	13	9
Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association	1283	1284	29	11
Mountain East Conference	908	852	18	9
Northeast-10 Conference	803	899	14	13
Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference	1342	1361	26	19
Pacific West Conference	540	693	17	14
Peach Belt Conference	675	657	15	9
Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference	1100	1322	28	17
Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference	1203	1188	34	13
South Atlantic Conference	927	920	22	10
Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	326	386	12	4
Sunshine State Conference	448	474	7	13