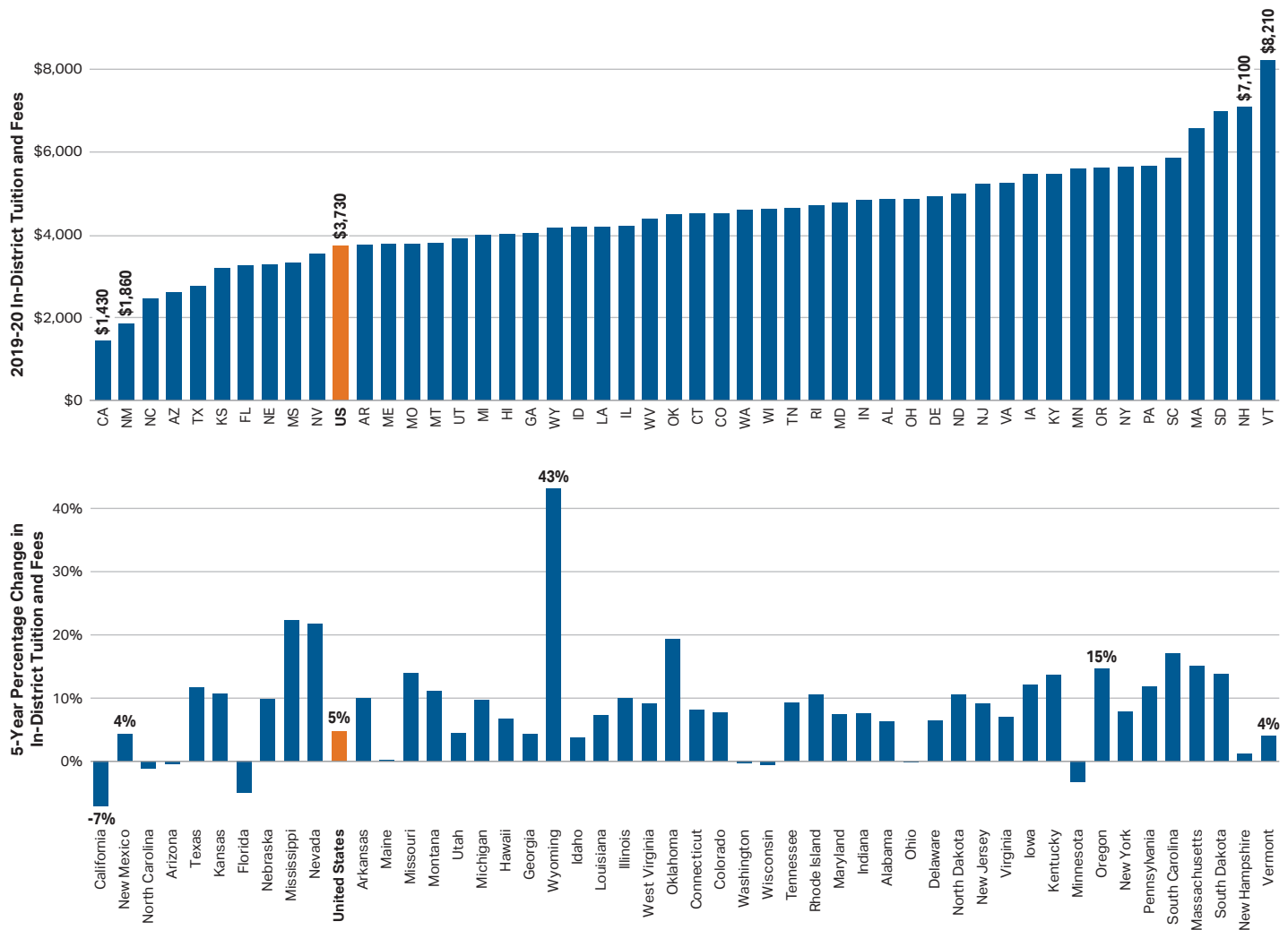


# Tuition and Fees by State: Public Two-Year

In 2019-20, average published tuition and fees for in-district students at public two-year colleges range from \$1,430 in California and \$1,860 in New Mexico to \$7,100 in New Hampshire and \$8,210 in Vermont.

**FIGURE 5** Average 2019-20 In-District Tuition and Fees at Public Two-Year Institutions and Five-Year Percentage Changes in Inflation-Adjusted In-District Tuition and Fees, by State



**NOTE:** Alaska is not included in Figure 5 because it does not have a separate community college system.

**SOURCES:** College Board, Annual Survey of Colleges; NCES, IPEDS Fall 2017 Enrollment data.

- In eight states, average tuition and fees at public two-year colleges fell in inflation-adjusted dollars between 2014-15 and 2019-20. In four of these states (Minnesota, Ohio, Washington, and Wisconsin), the 2019-20 price remains above the national average.
- In six states, average tuition and fees at public two-year colleges increased by 15% or more in inflation-adjusted dollars between 2014-15 and 2019-20. In Mississippi and Nevada, despite 22% price increases (compared with the national average of 5%), the average 2019-20 price is below the national average.

## ALSO IMPORTANT:

- California enrolled 19% of the nation's full-time public two-year students in fall 2017.
- In 2019-20, average public two-year tuition and fees did not increase in nine states; the price rose by more than \$200 in six states.
- Figure 5 does not reflect "free" community college programs, which generally provide aid to students, rather than eliminating the tuition price.

