



# Transfer Composition of Division I Teams

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# Methodology Notes

- ▶ The following slides describe whether student-athletes in Academic Progress Rate (APR) cohorts transferred into their current Division I school at any point through the end of the 2020-21 academic year (designated as “2021” in each figure). Graduate transfers are included with undergraduate transfers in this report.
- ▶ The NCAA transfer portal became operational in October 2018, so portal impacts generally not seen until 2019-20 cohort (“2020” in each figure).
- ▶ 2020-21 (“2021” in each figure) is the first transfer cohort following the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- ▶ The expansion of the one-time transfer exception in Division I was approved by the NCAA in April 2021. The first APR cohort in which we could see an impact in transfer percentages would be the 2021-22 cohort.
- ▶ Numbers in this report should be distinguished from lifetime transfer rates for a student-athlete, which would be higher. This is because an APR cohort snapshot includes students at various stages of their academic career including some who may transfer at a later time.
- ▶ Other data on transfer is available at [ncaa.org/research](https://ncaa.org/research).

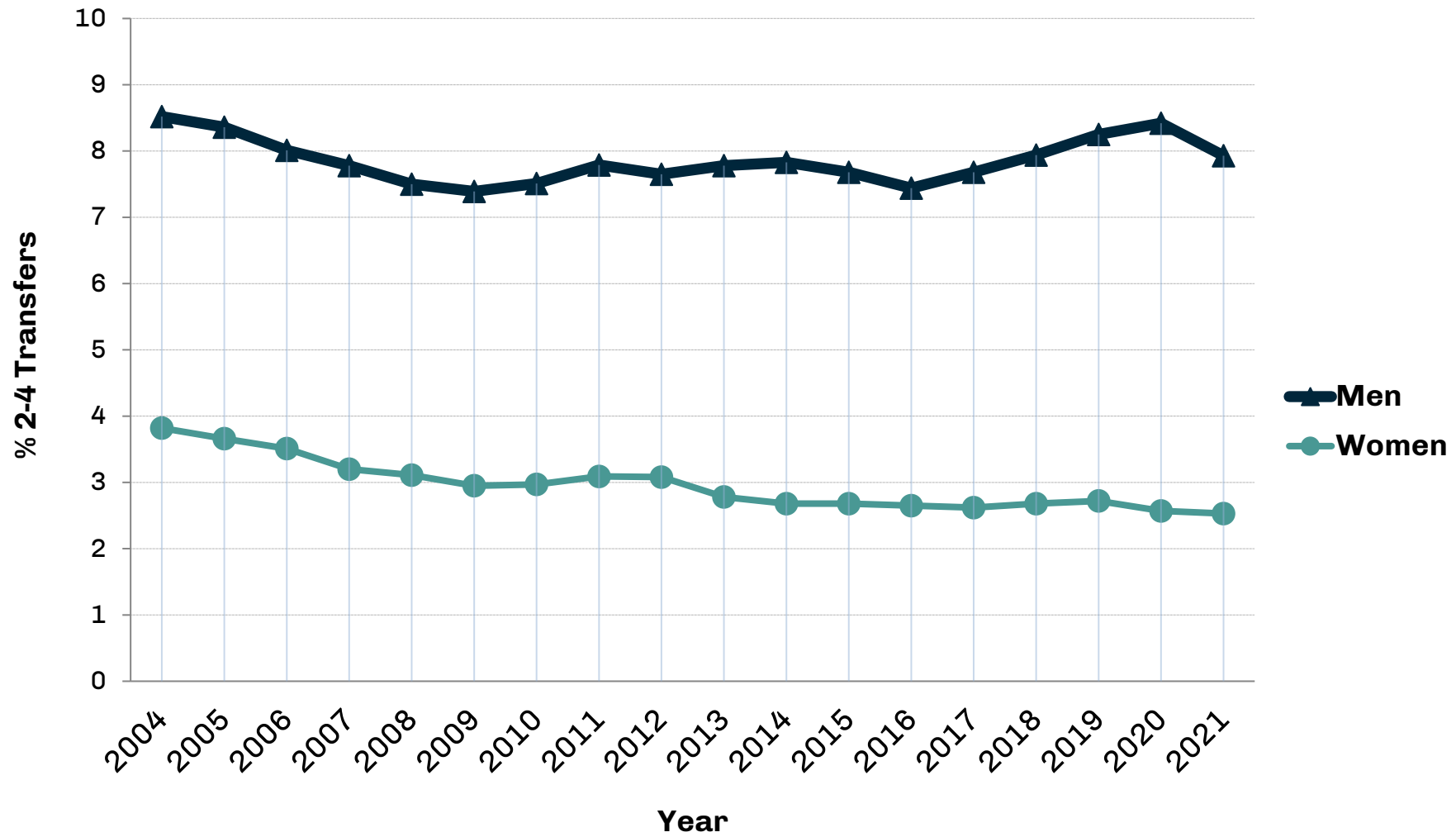


# 2020-21 Transfer Composition of Division I Student-Athlete Population

	<b>Overall</b>		<b>Men</b>	<b>Women</b>
<b>Non-Transfers</b>	<b>85.5%</b>		<b>82.3%</b>	<b>89.0%</b>
<b>2-year Transfers</b>	<b>5.4%</b>		<b>7.9%</b>	<b>2.5%</b>
<b>4-year Transfers</b>	<b>9.1%</b>		<b>9.8%</b>	<b>8.5%</b>

Note: Percentages represent transfer status (whether student-athlete entered current Division I school from high school, a 2-year college or another 4-year college) within the 2020-21 APR cohort. Lifetime transfer rates will be higher (for example, some of the student-athletes in the APR cohort are first-year college students who may eventually transfer).

# Trends in the Proportion of Two-Year College Transfers in APR Cohorts



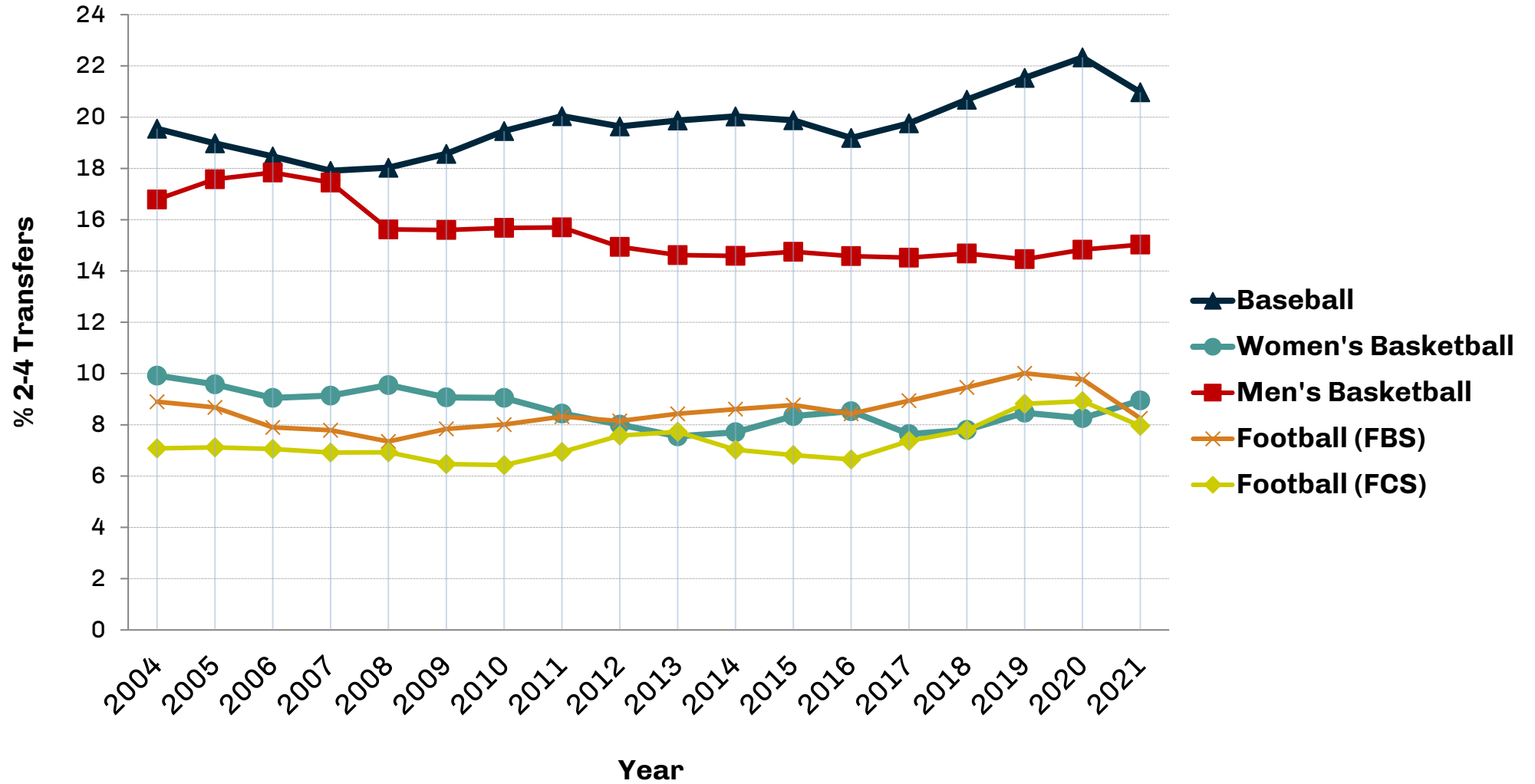
Note: Percentages based on the 2021 APR data (released in June 2022).

# **2020-21 Percentage of Two-Year College Transfers among Division I Student-Athletes**

<b>Men's Sport</b>	<b>2-year</b>
Baseball	<b>21.0%</b>
Basketball	<b>15.0%</b>
Football (FBS)	<b>8.3%</b>
Football (FCS)	<b>8.0%</b>
Soccer	<b>4.4%</b>
Track and Field	<b>3.9%</b>
Ice Hockey	<b>3.7%</b>
Golf	<b>3.6%</b>
Water Polo	<b>3.4%</b>
Tennis	<b>2.9%</b>
Volleyball	<b>2.8%</b>
Cross Country	<b>1.9%</b>
Wrestling	<b>1.5%</b>
Lacrosse	<b>0.8%</b>
Swimming	<b>0.7%</b>
Rifle (co-ed)	<b>0.5%</b>
Fencing	<b>0.0%</b>
Gymnastics	<b>0.0%</b>
Skiing	<b>0.0%</b>

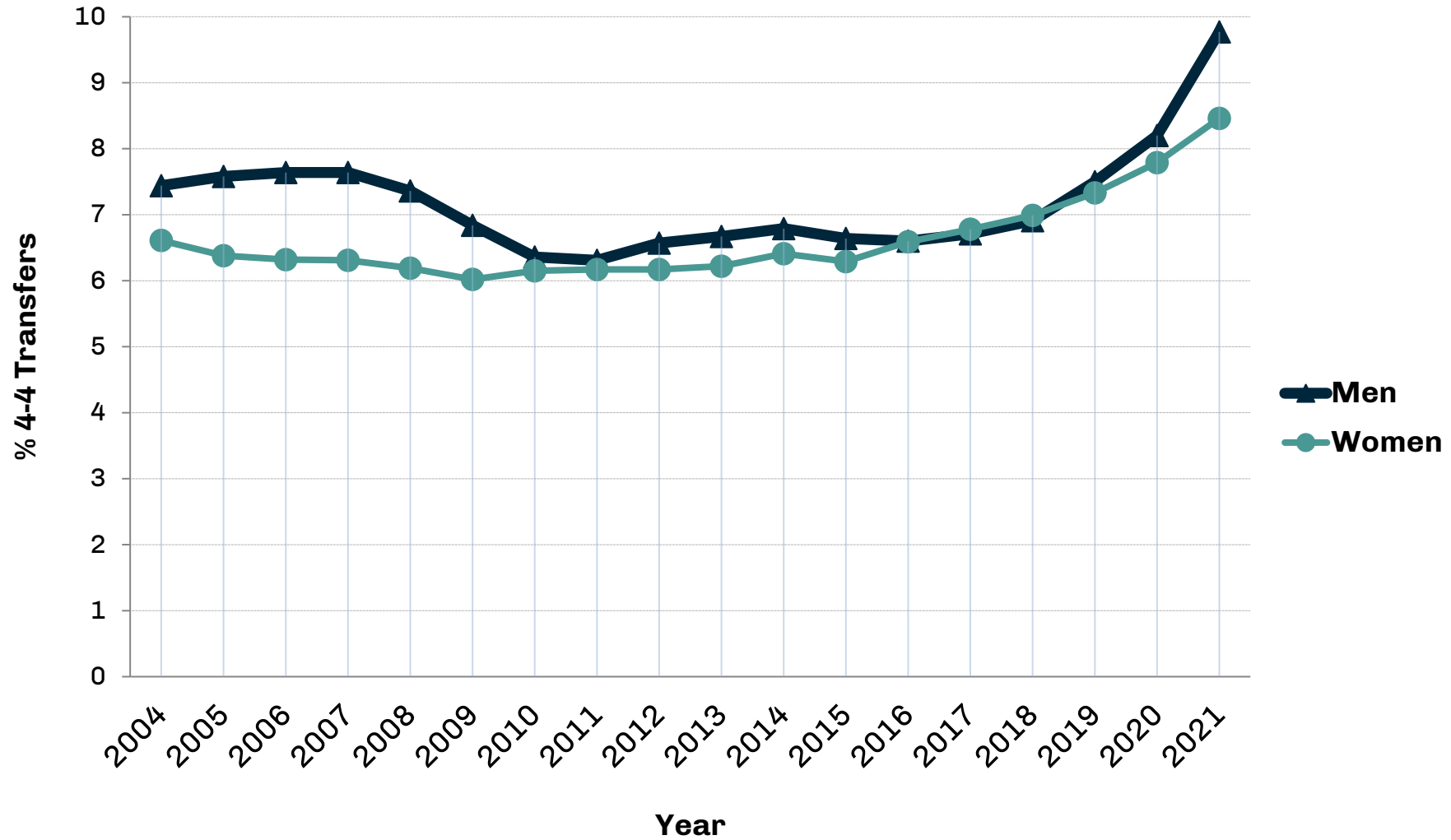
<b>Women's Sport</b>	<b>2-year</b>
Basketball	<b>9.0%</b>
Volleyball	<b>4.7%</b>
Softball	<b>4.4%</b>
Beach Volleyball	<b>3.1%</b>
Track and Field	<b>2.1%</b>
Water Polo	<b>1.8%</b>
Soccer	<b>1.8%</b>
Golf	<b>1.6%</b>
Tennis	<b>1.6%</b>
Cross Country	<b>1.4%</b>
Fencing	<b>1.2%</b>
Bowling	<b>1.1%</b>
Swimming	<b>0.3%</b>
Rowing	<b>0.3%</b>
Ice Hockey	<b>0.1%</b>
Gymnastics	<b>0.1%</b>
Lacrosse	<b>0.1%</b>
Field Hockey	<b>0.1%</b>
Skiing	<b>0.0%</b>

# Trends in the Proportion of Two-Year College Transfers in APR Cohorts



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# Trends in the Proportion of Four-Year College Transfers in APR Cohorts



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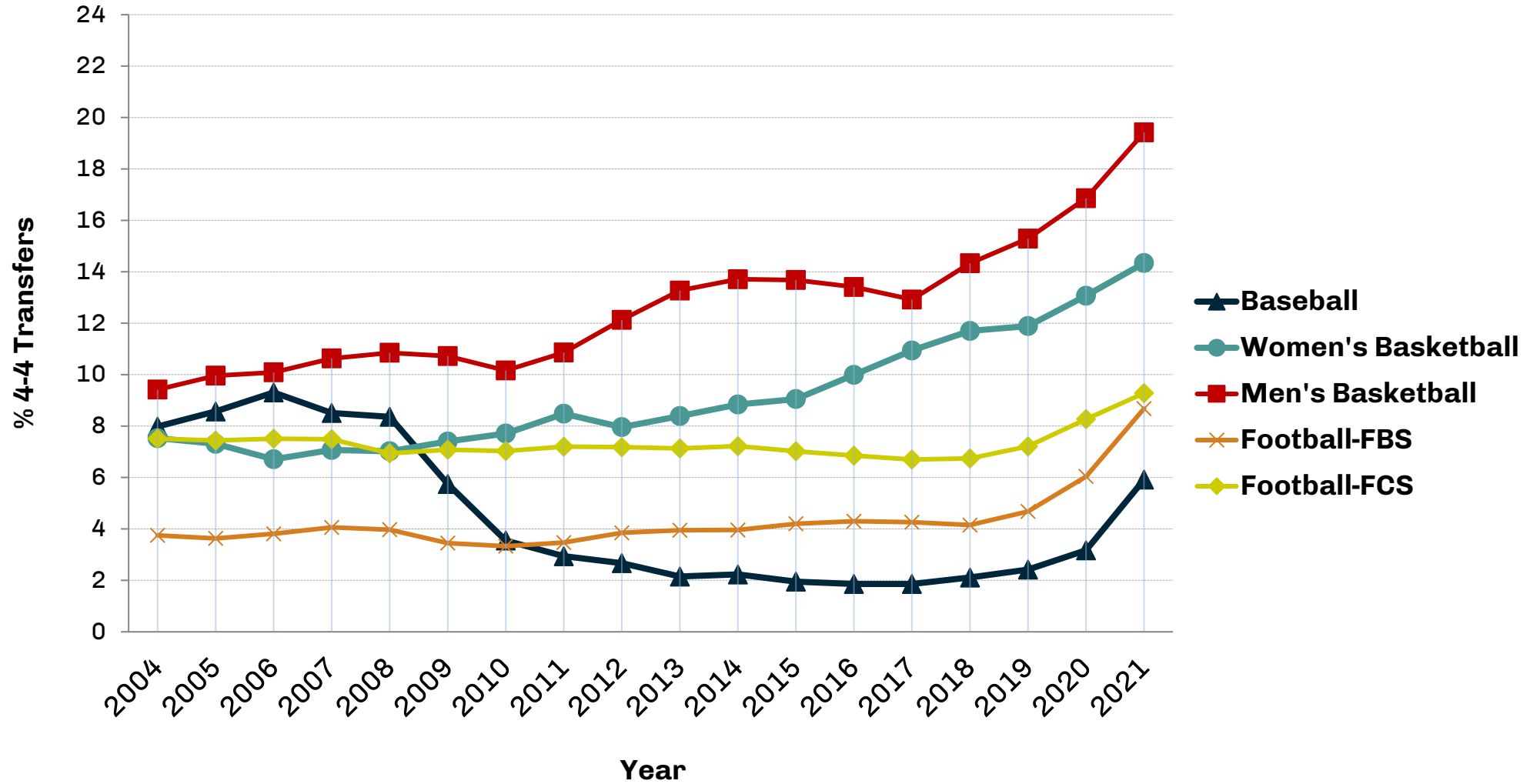
# **2020-21 Percentage of Four-Year College Transfers among Division I Student-Athletes**

<b>Men's Sport</b>	<b>4-year</b>
Basketball	<b>19.4%</b>
Soccer	<b>18.5%</b>
Tennis	<b>16.3%</b>
Golf	<b>10.0%</b>
Track and Field	<b>9.9%</b>
Football (FCS)	<b>9.3%</b>
Ice Hockey	<b>9.2%</b>
Football (FBS)	<b>8.7%</b>
Cross Country	<b>7.7%</b>
Wrestling	<b>7.3%</b>
Baseball	<b>5.9%</b>
Swimming	<b>5.4%</b>
Skiing	<b>5.3%</b>
Lacrosse	<b>5.0%</b>
Volleyball	<b>4.6%</b>
Water Polo	<b>4.2%</b>
Gymnastics	<b>3.6%</b>
Fencing	<b>2.8%</b>
Rifle (co-ed)	<b>1.4%</b>

<b>Women's Sport</b>	<b>4-year</b>
Beach Volleyball	<b>16.6%</b>
Tennis	<b>16.1%</b>
Basketball	<b>14.3%</b>
Volleyball	<b>10.3%</b>
Track and Field	<b>9.1%</b>
Softball	<b>8.9%</b>
Golf	<b>8.9%</b>
Soccer	<b>8.5%</b>
Cross Country	<b>7.3%</b>
Bowling	<b>7.2%</b>
Skiing	<b>6.7%</b>
Swimming	<b>5.0%</b>
Field Hockey	<b>4.2%</b>
Rowing	<b>3.6%</b>
Ice Hockey	<b>3.4%</b>
Lacrosse	<b>3.4%</b>
Fencing	<b>3.1%</b>
Water Polo	<b>3.0%</b>
Gymnastics	<b>2.6%</b>

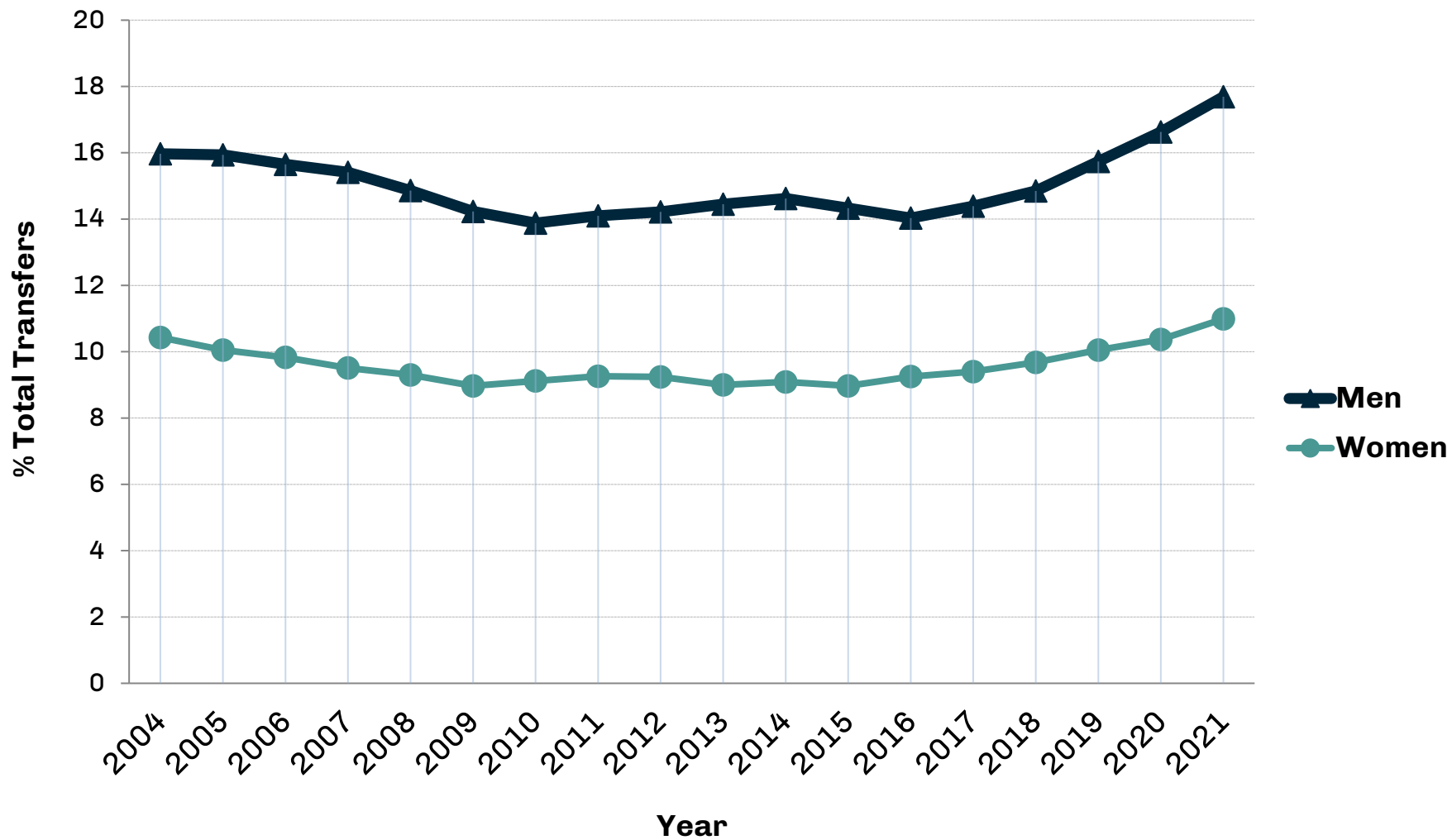


# Trends in the Proportion of Four-Year College Transfers in APR Cohorts



Note: Percentages based on the 2021 APR data (released in June 2022).

# Trends in the Proportion of Total Transfers in APR Cohorts



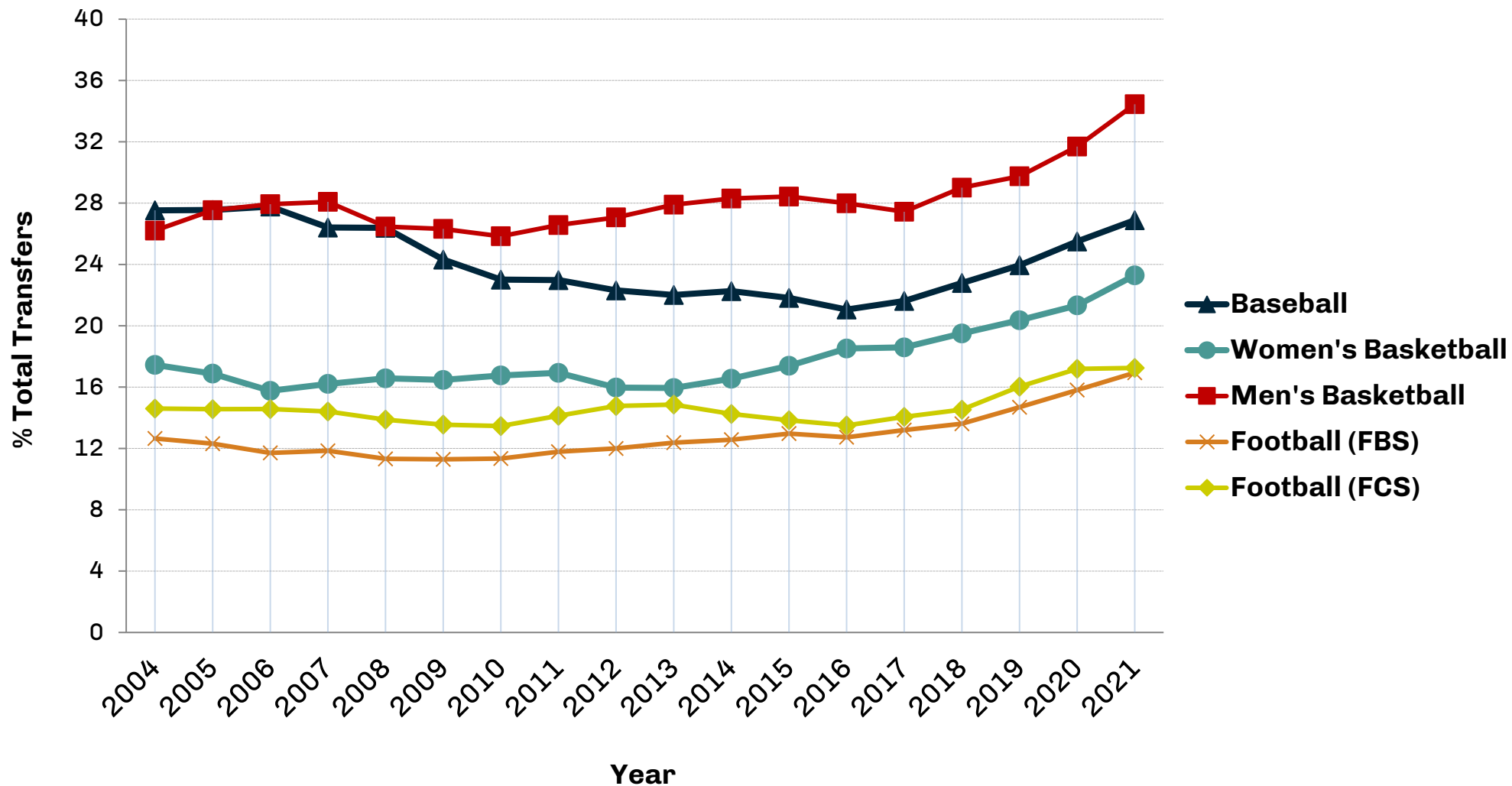
Note: Percentages based on the 2021 APR data (released in June 2022). Sum of 2-year and 4-year transfer numbers.

# **2020-21 Percentage of Total Transfers (Two-Year and Four-Year) among Division I Student-Athletes**

Men's Sport	Total
Basketball	<b>34.5%</b>
Baseball	<b>26.9%</b>
Soccer	<b>22.9%</b>
Tennis	<b>19.2%</b>
Football (FCS)	<b>17.2%</b>
Football (FBS)	<b>16.9%</b>
Track and Field	<b>13.8%</b>
Golf	<b>13.6%</b>
Ice Hockey	<b>13.0%</b>
Cross Country	<b>9.6%</b>
Wrestling	<b>8.8%</b>
Water Polo	<b>7.6%</b>
Volleyball	<b>7.3%</b>
Swimming	<b>6.1%</b>
Lacrosse	<b>5.8%</b>
Skiing	<b>5.3%</b>
Gymnastics	<b>3.6%</b>
Fencing	<b>2.8%</b>
Rifle (co-ed)	<b>1.9%</b>

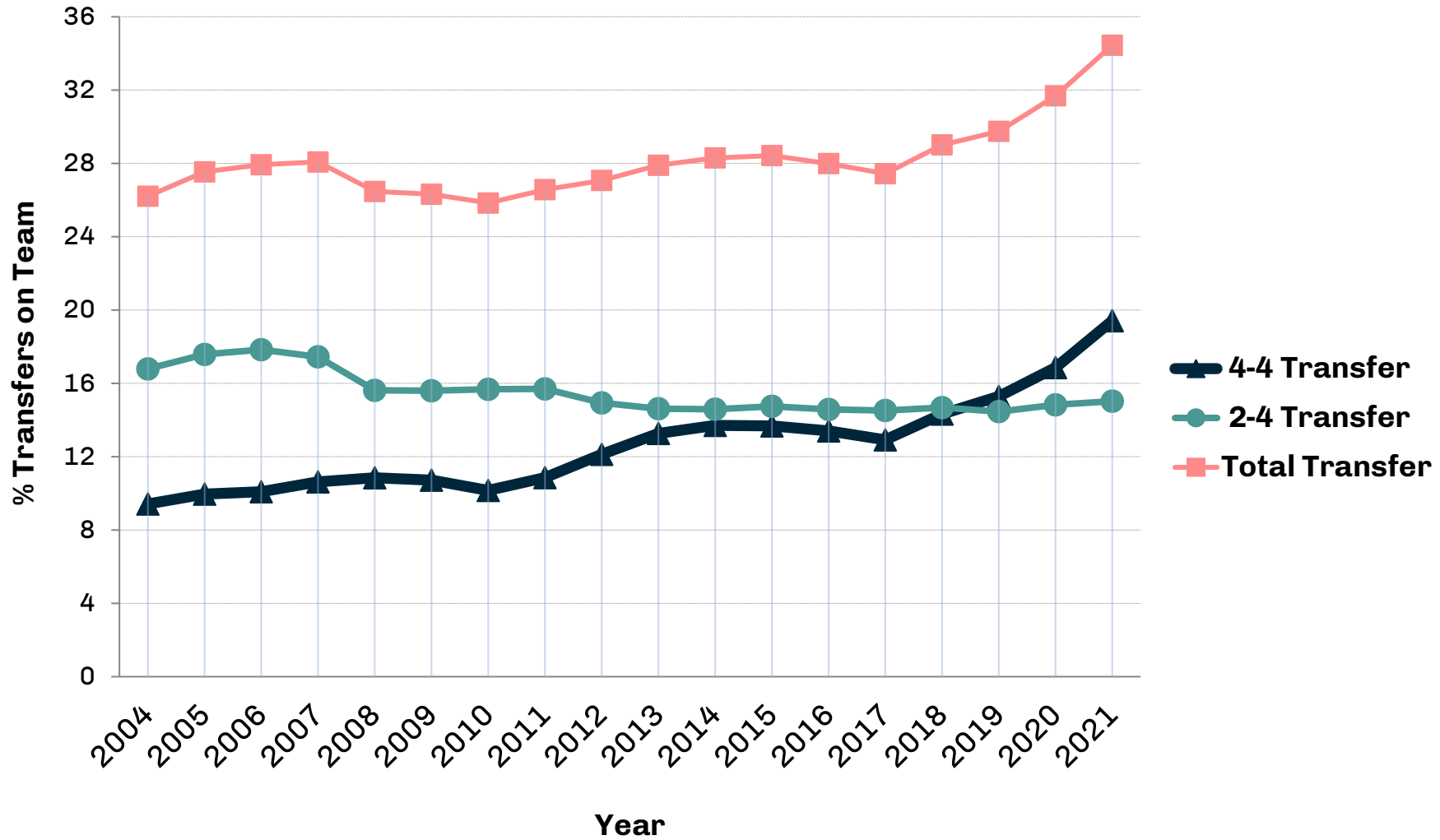
Women's Sport	Total
Basketball	<b>23.3%</b>
Beach Volleyball	<b>19.7%</b>
Tennis	<b>17.7%</b>
Volleyball	<b>15.0%</b>
Softball	<b>13.3%</b>
Track and Field	<b>11.2%</b>
Golf	<b>10.5%</b>
Soccer	<b>10.3%</b>
Cross Country	<b>8.8%</b>
Bowling	<b>8.3%</b>
Skiing	<b>6.7%</b>
Swimming	<b>5.3%</b>
Water Polo	<b>4.8%</b>
Field Hockey	<b>4.3%</b>
Fencing	<b>4.2%</b>
Rowing	<b>3.8%</b>
Ice Hockey	<b>3.6%</b>
Lacrosse	<b>3.5%</b>
Gymnastics	<b>2.7%</b>

# Trends in the Proportion of Total Transfers in APR Cohorts



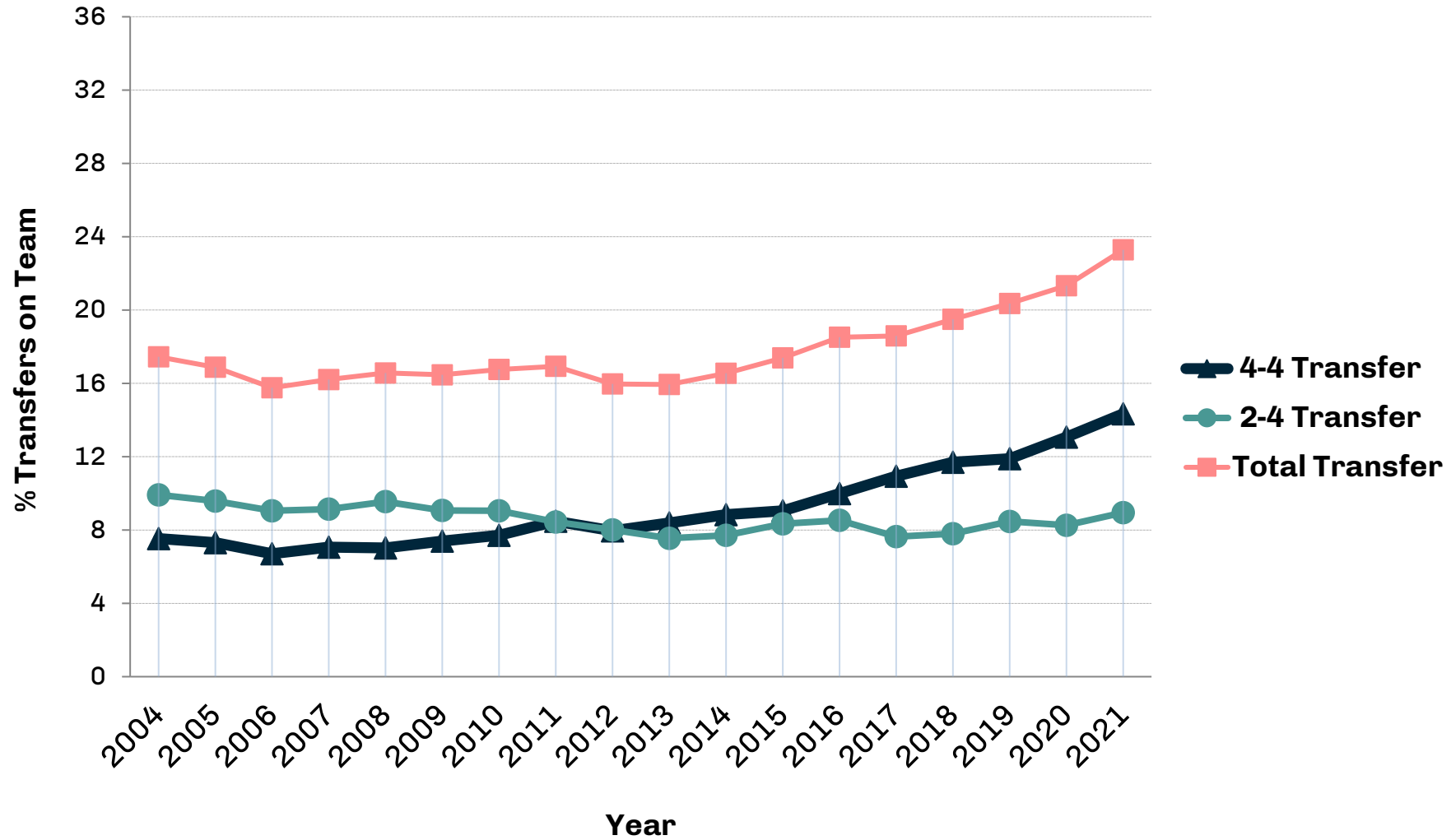
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# Trends in the Proportion of Men's Basketball Transfers in Division I APR Cohorts



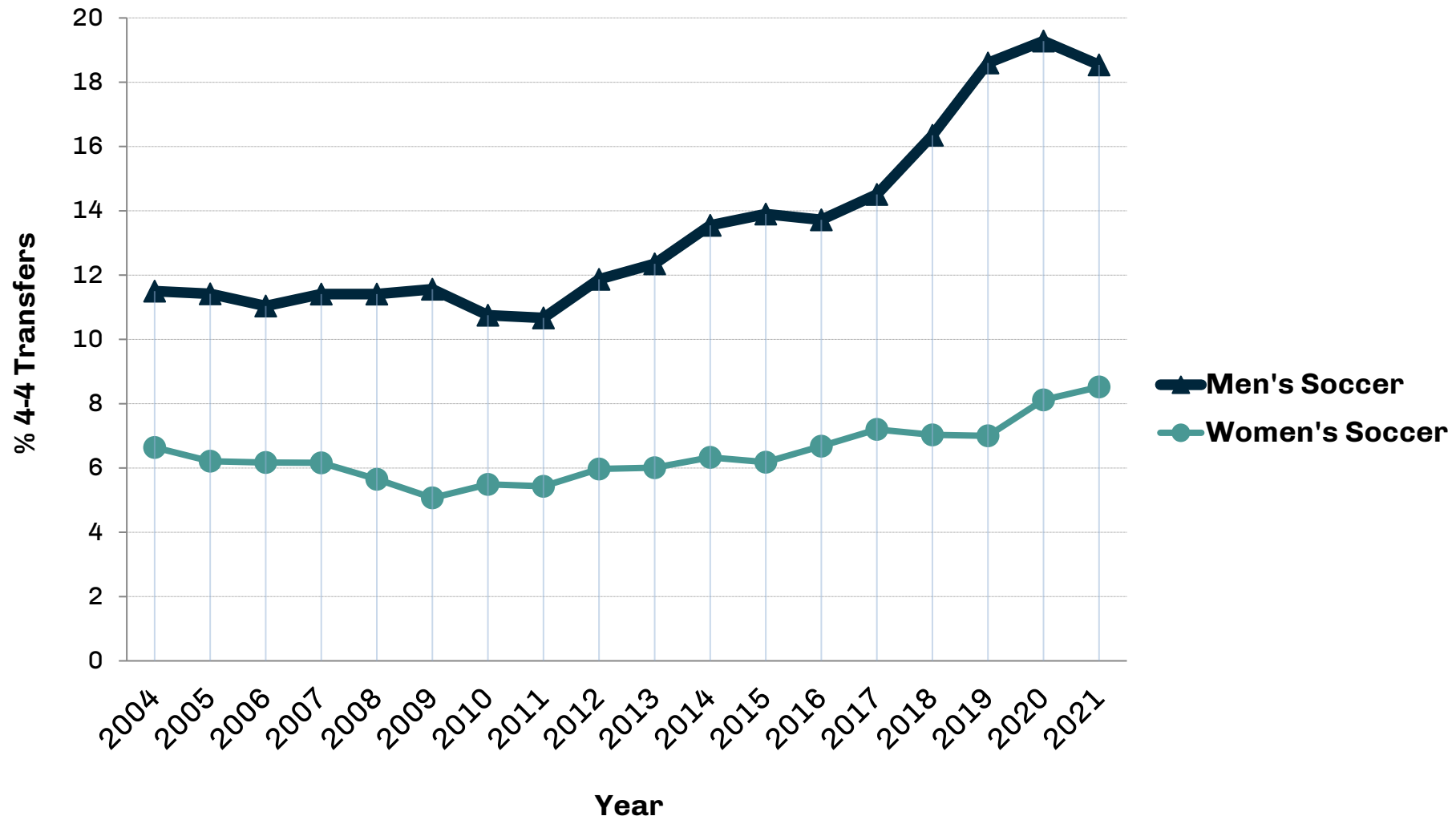
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# Trends in the Proportion of Women's Basketball Transfers in Division I APR Cohorts



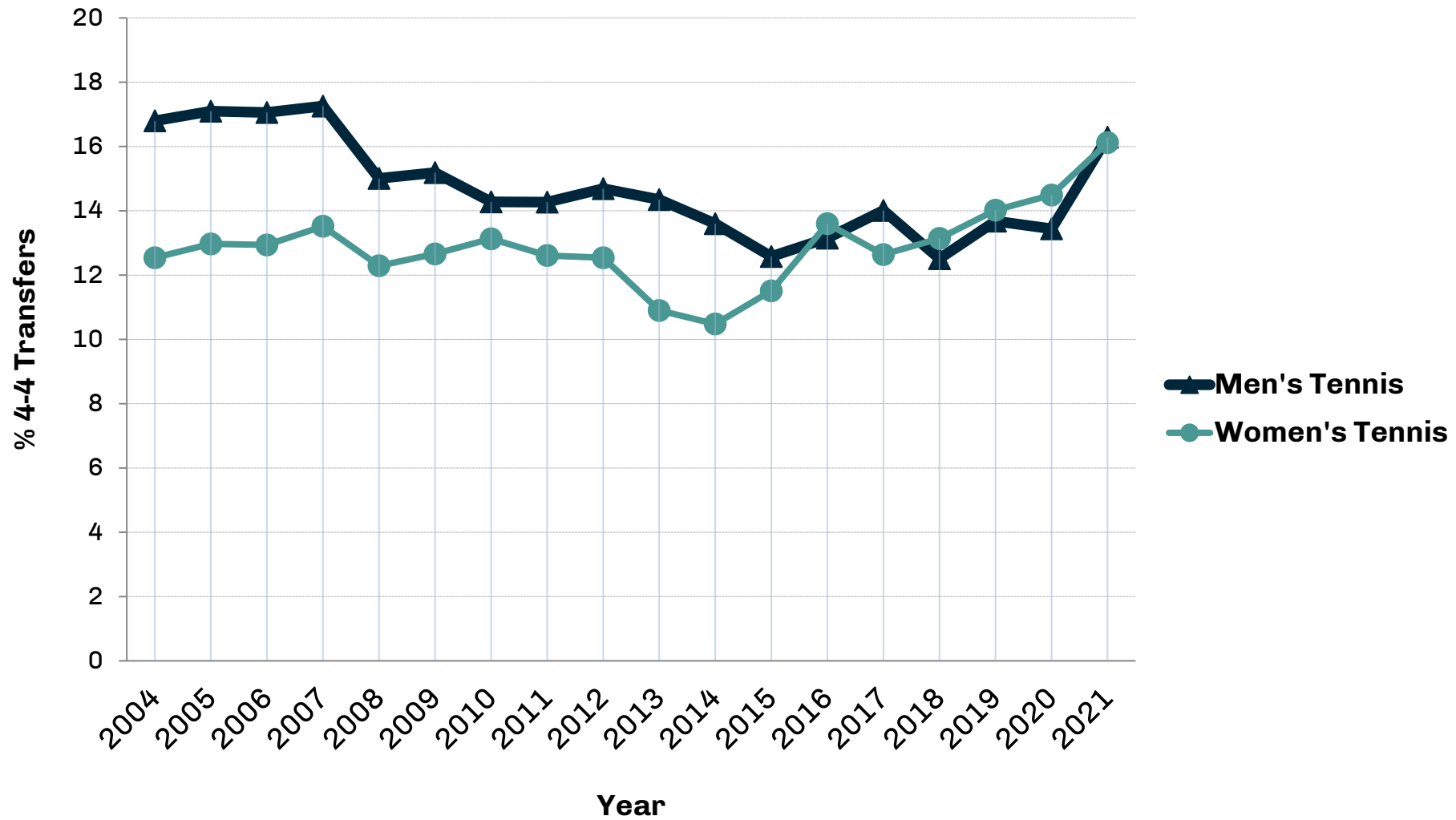
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# Trends in the Proportion of Four-Year College Transfers in Soccer Cohorts



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# Trends in the Proportion of Four-Year College Transfers in Tennis Cohorts



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