

Your First Year College (YFCY) 2018 Infographic Codebook

Developed by the Higher Education Research Institute (HERI) and the Policy Center on the First Year of College in 2000, the Your First College Year survey (YFCY) is administered annually through the Cooperative Institutional Research Program (CIRP) at the University of California, Los Angeles. The YFCY was the first national survey designed specifically to measure student development in the first year of college, and it is distributed to students at the end of their first year. Twenty-three institutions participated in the 19th administration of the YFCY in the Spring of 2018. The sample consists of 5,204 first-time, full-time students at these institutions.

Infographic Item	Survey Question/Variable Name	Response Option(s) selected
AT THE END OF THE FIRST YEAR, STUDENTS ARE SATISFIED WITH ACADEMIC LIFE ON CAMPUS...		
73% are satisfied with general education and core curriculum courses	Please rate your satisfaction with your college in each area: General education and core curriculum courses [SATIS10]	Very Satisfied & Satisfied
79% are satisfied with their overall academic experience	Please rate your satisfaction with your college in each area: Your overall academic experience [SATIS25]	Very Satisfied & Satisfied
86% would recommend their college to others	Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements: If asked, I would recommend this college to others [COLOPN28]	Strongly Agree & Agree
...AND HAVE UTILIZED A VARIETY OF STUDENT SERVICES.		
54% used student health services	Since entering college, how often have you utilized the following services: Student health services [SERVICES03]	Frequently & Occasionally
25% used student psychological services	Since entering college, how often have you utilized the following services: Student psychological services [SERVICES04]	Frequently & Occasionally
29% used campus safety services	Since entering college, how often have you utilized the following services: Campus safety services (Safe Walk, Public Safety/Police Dept., etc.) [SERVICES09]	Frequently & Occasionally

15% used the disability resource center	Since entering college, how often have you utilized the following services: Disability resource center [SERVICES06]	Frequently & Occasionally
43% used study skills advising	Since entering college, how often have you utilized the following services: Study skills advising [SERVICES01]	Frequently & Occasionally
47% used the writing center	Since entering college, how often have you utilized the following services: Writing center [SERVICES05]	Frequently & Occasionally
36% used financial aid advising	Since entering college, how often have you utilized the following services: Financial aid advising [SERVICES02]	Frequently & Occasionally
THEY HAVE NUMEROUS DEMANDS ON THEIR TIME OUTSIDE OF CLASS...		
34% felt their job responsibilities interfered with schoolwork	Since entering college, how often have you felt: That your job responsibilities interfered with your schoolwork [AFFACT09]	Frequently & Occasionally
35% felt their family responsibilities interfered with schoolwork	Since entering college, how often have you felt: That your family responsibilities interfered with your schoolwork [AFFACT08]	Frequently & Occasionally
13% spent three or more hours per week commuting	Since entering college, how much time have you spent during a typical week doing the following: Commuting [HPW02]	3-5 hrs/wk 6-10 hrs/wk 11-15 hrs/wk 16-20 hrs/wk Over 20 hrs/wk
...BUT FIND WAYS TO UNWIND.		
64% spent three or more hours per week watching TV/online video content	Since entering college, how much time have you spent during a typical week doing the following: Watching TV/online video content (e.g., Amazon, Hulu, Netflix, YouTube) [HPW20]	3-5 hrs/wk 6-10 hrs/wk 11-15 hrs/wk 16-20 hrs/wk Over 20 hrs/wk
45% pray or meditate	Since entering college, how much time have you spent during a typical week doing the following: Praying/meditating [HPW21]	<1 hr/wk 1-2 hrs/wk 3-5 hrs/wk 6-10 hrs/wk 11-15 hrs/wk 16-20 hrs/wk Over 20 hrs/wk

58% spent three or more hours per week exercising or playing sports	Since entering college, how much time have you spent during a typical week doing the following: Exercising/sports [HPW03]	3-5 hrs/wk 6-10 hrs/wk 11-15 hrs/wk 16-20 hrs/wk Over 20 hrs/wk
MANY STUDENTS ARE THINKING ABOUT THEIR CAREERS...		
59% strongly agree that it is important to think about their career path after college	Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements: It's important for me to be thinking about my career path after college [COLOPN46]	Strongly Agree
24% strongly agree that they have a clear idea of how to achieve their career goals	Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements: I have a clear idea of how to achieve my career goals [COLOPN47]	Strongly Agree
42% used career services	Since entering college, how often have you utilized the following services: Career services [SERVICES07]	Frequently & Occasionally
19% are very satisfied with the relevance of coursework to their future career plans	Please rate your satisfaction with your college in each area: Relevance of coursework to future career plans [CMPSAT11]	Very Satisfied
...AND EXPLORING NEW GOALS		
36% decided to pursue a different major	Since entering college, have you: Decided to pursue a different major [COLACT06]	Yes
34% changed their career choice	Since entering college, have you: Changed your career choice [COLACT04]	Yes

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NOTE: Only first-time, full-time students are represented in the infographic (NORMSTAT= 1)