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The Freshmen Survey Trends Report: 1971 to 2010

Sample University

Full-time, First-time Freshmen
(not actual data)

Note: For items marked "*", please refer to "Qualifications in Assessing The Freshmen Survey Trends Report" found at the end of this report.



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Full-time, First-time Freshmen - Total

Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	
All Respondents	17,429	16,659	16,698	17,654	13,567	15,963	10,624	10,043	9,984	9,055	9,156	10,298	7,149	10,278	10,662	9,340	9,374	11,089	11,023	
Gender																				
Male	57.2	58.7	55.7	55.4	56.5	53.8	54.8	55.2	56.2	57.5	57.3	55.8	58	56.6	55.2	53.2	50.4	51.1	50.9	
Female	42.8	41.3	44.3	44.6	43.5	46.2	45.2	44.8	43.8	42.5	42.7	44.2	42	43.4	44.8	46.8	49.6	48.9	49.1	
How old will you be on December 31 of this year?	17,388	16,628	16,667	17,618	13,473	15,844	10,498	9,957	9,904	8,979	9,109	10,232	7,055	10,179	10,629	9,289	9,301	11,002	10,976	
16 or younger	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	
17	3.6	3.9	4.4	4.6	4.1	3.5	2.9	2.9	2.4	2.4	2.1	2.3	2.6	3.6	1.8	2.1	2.6	2.2	2.1	
18	72.6	72.9	69.5	71.7	69.4	68.5	69.8	70.6	69.5	67.6	66.7	68.3	68.3	68.9	68.7	71.1	69.9	71	70.4	
19	15	14.8	15.6	15.4	16.1	17.5	19.4	19.1	21	20.4	22.7	21.6	21.4	20.8	22	21.9	21.2	20.5	22.2	
20	4.5	3.2	4.7	3.5	4	4.3	3.6	3.2	3.3	3.7	3.3	3.1	3.7	3	3.5	2.3	2.8	2.9	2.5	
21 or older	4.2	5.1	5.7	4.8	6.3	6.2	4.2	4.1	3.7	5.8	5.1	4.7	4	3.5	3.9	2.6	3.4	3.4	2.7	
Race/Ethnicity* - mark all that apply																				
total may add to more than 100%	17,335	16,492	16,541	17,460	13,316	15,792	10,493	9,849	9,775	8,912	9,029	10,171	7,077	10,108	10,490	8,664	9,256	10,981	10,665	
American Indian/Alaska Native	0.9	1.2	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.6	1.1	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	1.1	1.4	1.1	1	0.9	
Asian American/Asian	0.8	0.8	1.1	1.1	1.4	1.2	1.4	1.7	2	2	2.5	2.3	2	1.6	2.3	2.6	2.8	2.9	4.8	
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
African American/Black	4.1	5	5	6.4	7.4	6.5	6.7	8.6	7.7	9.2	7.6	6	6.9	5	5	6.4	5.1	6.9	6.4	
Mexican American/Chicano	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.9	0.6	2.1	1.5	1.1	0.6	1.4	1.6	2.1	1.9	2	2	
Puerto Rican	0.6	1	0.9	1	1.3	1	1	1.3	1.1	1.2	0.9	0.6	0.7	12.8	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	
Other Latino	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
White/Caucasian	93.1	91.9	91.9	90.3	88.8	90	89.6	86.8	87.9	84.2	86.6	89.9	89.6	78.8	90	87.7	89.2	86.9	85.2	
Other	1.4	1.7	1.2	1.6	2	1.6	1.6	2.2	1.8	2.6	2.4	1.5	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.2	1.5	2.1	
Race/Ethnicity*																				
with multiple race category	17,335	16,492	16,541	17,460	13,316	15,792	10,493	9,849	9,775	8,912	9,029	10,171	7,077	10,108	10,490	8,664	9,256	10,981	10,665	
American Indian/Alaska Native	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.4	
Asian American/Asian/Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.7	0.7	0.9	1	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.4	1.7	1.7	2.2	2	1.9	1.5	2.1	2.3	2.5	2.7	4.3	
African American/Black	4	4.8	5	6.2	7	6.3	6.5	8.3	7.4	8.8	7.3	5.6	6.6	4.8	4.7	6.1	4.9	6.6	6.1	
Mexican American/Chicano/Puerto Rican/Other Latino	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.7	1.3	2.7	1.8	1.1	0.9	13.6	1.8	2.2	2	2.2	2.3	
White/Caucasian	91.9	90.3	91	89.3	87.4	89	88.7	85.7	86.9	83	85.4	89	88.2	77.7	88.9	86.3	87.9	85.7	83.9	
Other	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.3	2	1.7	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.8	1.1	1.5	
Two or more race/ethnicity	1.3	1.7	0.9	1.2	1.6	1.1	1	1.4	1.2	1.4	1.4	1.2	1.6	1.3	1.4	1.7	1.6	1.4	1.5	
Is English your native language?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,246	10,877	10,219	
No	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.4	4.1	4.1	
Yes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	96.6	95.9	95.9	
Citizenship status	0	16,409	16,430	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,201	7,085	10,116	10,311	9,209	9,129	10,845	10,902	
No/Neither	0	1.5	1.7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.7	1.6	1.7	1.9	1.6	0.5	1	0.8	
Permanent resident (Green Card)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.5	0.5	1.3	
Yes/U.S. Citizen	0	98.5	98.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	97.3	98.4	98.3	98.1	98.4	99	98.5	97.9	
Your religion*: aggregated	16,656	16,293	16,250	17,187	12,840	14,963	10,028	9,385	9,206	8,396	8,543	9,890	6,057	9,367	9,519	8,371	8,528	10,124	10,343	
Protestant	43.1	47.5	53.7	51.9	50.5	50.6	52.2	50.6	42.4	40.6	40.5	38.7	36.2	45.9	50.5	35	47.9	47.7	45.3	
Roman Catholic	27	25.4	27.9	28.3	29.3	30.4	32.8	34.1	33.9	32.2	32.6	36.2	37.5	37.7	32.1	31.6	31.7	29.7	31.4	
Jewish	3.9	3.2	3.7	4.3	5.1	4.1	2.5	2.9	2.4	2.5	2.2	3.3	2.7	1.8	2.3	2.8	3.3	3.4	3.6	
Other	9.5	9.5	3.5	3.9	3.6	4	3.7	3.7	12.6	15.3	15.8	13.4	14.2	5.7	4.8	18.7	5	5.5	5.8	
None	16.5	14.4	11.3	11.6	11.5	10.9	8.7	8.8	8.7	9.4	8.9	8.2	9.4	8.9	10.3	11.8	12	13.6	13.9	
Do you consider yourself a born-again Christian?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,277	0	0	10,239	8,859	
No	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	74.3	0	0	75.7	74.9	
Yes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25.7	0	0	24.3	25.1	



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From what kind of secondary school did you graduate?*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Public school (not charter or magnet)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Public charter school	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Public magnet school	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Private religious/parochial school	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Private independent college-prep school	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Home school	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
In what year did you graduate from high school?	0	0	16,595	17,585	13,417	15,805	10,486	9,924	9,873	8,945	9,072	10,194	7,090	10,178	10,621	9,275	9,283	10,981	10,972
Same year as college entry	0	0	84.8	87.2	85.2	84.9	86.8	87.8	87.6	85.5	87.2	87.8	87.2	89.2	88.3	91.5	89.7	90.4	91.8
One year before college entry	0	0	5.4	5.1	5.5	5.8	6.4	6.2	6.5	6.5	5.7	5.5	6.6	5.7	5.6	4.5	5.1	4.4	4.3
Two years before college entry	0	0	4.2	3	3.4	3.3	2.7	2.2	2.2	2.5	2.2	2.6	2.5	1.9	2.4	1.5	2.2	2	1.4
Three or more years before college entry	0	0	4.7	3.6	4.7	4.7	3.3	3	3	4.3	4.2	3.6	3.2	2.8	3.4	2.1	2.7	2.9	2.3
Did not graduate but passed G.E.D. test	0	0	0.6	0.8	1.1	1.1	0.6	0.5	0.5	1	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2
Never completed high school	0	0	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Racial composition: high school you last attended?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7,098	0	0	0	0	10,957	0
Completely white	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17.1	0	0	0	0	14.5	0
Mostly white	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	62.3	0	0	0	0	62.5	0
Roughly half non white	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16.4	0	0	0	0	16.8	0
Mostly non white	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.6	0	0	0	0	5.3	0
Completely non white	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.6	0	0	0	0	0.9	0
Racial composition: neighborhood where you grew up?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,868	0	0	0	0	10,471	0
Completely white	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	44.5	0	0	0	0	39.2	0
Mostly white	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	44.1	0	0	0	0	47.3	0
Roughly half non white	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.8	0	0	0	0	5.7	0
Mostly non white	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.3	0	0	0	0	5.1	0
Completely non white	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.3	0	0	0	0	2.7	0
Years Study: English	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,473	8,636	8,761	9,337	11,026	736	0
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0	76.5
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	15.2
One	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2	8.3
Two	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.4	0
Three	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.1	3.2	2.4	2.3	1.7	0
Four	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	88.1	91	91.8	93	93.2	0
Five or more	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.5	4.7	4.8	4	4.4	0
Years Study: Mathematics	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,461	9,559	8,743	9,319	11,011	0	0
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0	0
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0
One	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.3	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.3	0
Two	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8.3	5.7	6	4	3	0
Three	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21.8	20.8	23.4	23.5	21.8	0
Four	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	57.5	62.6	59.4	61.9	64.3	0
Five or more	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10.9	9.7	10.3	10.2	10.5	0
Years Study: Foreign language	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,193	9,541	8,721	9,281	10,965	0	0
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20.8	11.3	10.5	7.3	4.8	0
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.5	1.5	1.6	1	0.9	0
One	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10.9	11.4	11.1	8.4	6.1	0
Two	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30.9	34	36.7	38.6	42	0
Three	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20.7	22.8	24.8	25.7	26.6	0
Four	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13.2	16.4	13.2	16.3	17	0
Five or more	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.1	2.6	2.2	2.8	2.7	0
Years Study: Physical science	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,256	9,480	8,672	9,177	10,865	0	0
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7.1	6.7	6.4	6	5.7	0
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.9	1.4	1.3	1.1	1	0
One	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34.1	29.6	36.1	37.4	36.5	0
Two	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31.2	34	31.6	32	33.5	0
Three	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18.8	19.8	18.4	18	17.8	0
Four	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	7.2	5.4	4.7	4.7	0
Five or more	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.9	1.3	0.8	0.7	0.7	0



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Years Study: Biological science	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,361	9,496	8,686	9,240	10,923	0
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.3	4.1	3.4	2.2	1.9	0
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.3	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.5	0
One	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	62.3	56.4	60.5	62.5	61.3	0
Two	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	28.5	27.9	27.8	29.4	0
Three	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.8	6.9	5.2	4.9	5	0
Four	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2.8	1.9	1.6	1.5	0
Five or more	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0
Years Study: History/American govt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,361	9,497	8,685	9,237	10,906	0
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.6	0.9	0.2	0.2	0.2	0
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.2	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.6	0
One	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13.7	11.9	8.1	6	6.9	0
Two	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36.9	28.8	29.3	27.3	27.3	0
Three	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32.8	34.5	39.9	42	40	0
Four	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14.1	21.6	20.3	22.5	23.5	0
Five or more	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.7	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	0
Years Study: Computer science	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,861	9,431	8,636	8,975	10,647	0
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	48.8	32.3	39.1	40.5	42.8	0
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21.7	21.1	22.1	21.5	19.9	0
One	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23.6	28.2	28.1	28.4	27.7	0
Two	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.9	10.8	8.6	7.9	7.6	0
Three	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.8	4.5	1.4	1.4	1.4	0
Four	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.2	2.8	0.6	0.4	0.5	0
Five or more	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.4	0.1	0	0	0
Years Study: Arts and/or music	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,988	9,428	8,652	9,054	10,768	0
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37.5	37.7	33.3	32.4	29.4	0
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.2	7	5.5	5.8	5.5	0
One	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18.3	19.2	21.6	22.1	23.9	0
Two	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11.3	10.7	12.3	12.7	14	0
Three	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	6.7	7.2	7.4	7.6	0
Four	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16.8	15.7	16.9	16.5	16.6	0
Five or more	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.9	2.9	3.1	3.2	3.1	0
Had tutoring/remedial work: English	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,984	9,055	9,156	10,298	0	10,278	0	0	0	0	11,023
Marked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5.1	5.9	4.2	4	0	5.4	0	0	0	0	4.5
Had tutoring/remedial work: Reading	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,984	9,055	9,156	10,298	0	10,278	0	0	0	0	11,023
Marked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5.6	3.9	3.9	0	4	0	0	0	0	3.9
tutoring/remedial work: Mathematics	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,984	9,055	9,156	10,298	0	10,278	0	0	0	0	11,023
Marked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.5	6.8	5.5	5.7	0	7.6	0	0	0	0	9.6
Had tutoring/remedial work: Social studies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,984	9,055	9,156	10,298	0	10,278	0	0	0	0	11,023
Marked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.4	6.4	3.2	3	0	3.3	0	0	0	0	3.1
Had tutoring/remedial work: Science	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,984	9,055	9,156	10,298	0	10,278	0	0	0	0	11,023
Marked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.2	4.7	3.4	3.1	0	3.6	0	0	0	0	3.9
Had tutoring/remedial work: Foreign language	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,984	9,055	9,156	10,298	0	10,278	0	0	0	0	11,023
Marked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.6	3.8	2.8	2.7	0	3.1	0	0	0	0	3.7
Had tutoring/remedial work: Writing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Need tutoring/remedial work: English	17,429	0	0	0	0	0	10,624	10,043	9,984	9,055	9,156	10,298	0	10,278	0	0	0	0	11,023
Marked	13.3	0	0	0	0	0	11.4	14.2	9.6	11.1	8.9	8.6	0	14	0	0	0	0	8.4
Need tutoring/remedial work: Reading	17,429	0	0	0	0	0	10,624	10,043	9,984	9,055	9,156	10,298	0	10,278	0	0	0	0	11,023
Marked	10	0	0	0	0	0	5.9	7.1	3.7	4.3	3.1	2.9	0	3.2	0	0	0	0	2.7
Need tutoring/remedial work: Mathematics	17,429	0	0	0	0	0	10,624	10,043	9,984	9,055	9,156	10,298	0	10,278	0	0	0	0	11,023
Marked	31.3	0	0	0	0	0	23.9	24.5	19.6	21	19	19	0	21.1	0	0	0	0	22.9
Need tutoring/remedial work: Social studies	17,429	0	0	0	0	0	10,624	10,043	9,984	9,055	9,156	10,298	0	10,278	0	0	0	0	11,023
Marked	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	4.4	2.1	3.3	2.3	1.9	0	2.5	0	0	0	0	2.4
Need tutoring/remedial work: Science	17,429	0	0	0	0	0	10,624	10,043	9,984	9,055	9,156	10,298	0	10,278	0	0	0	0	11,023
Marked	19.5	0	0	0	0	0	10.5	13.9	8.6	10.2	8.2	8.6	0	9.3	0	0	0	0	10
Need tutoring/remedial work: Foreign language	17,429	0	0	0	0	0	10,624	10,043	9,984	9,055	9,156	10,298	0	10,278	0	0	0	0	11,023
Marked	19.8	0	0	0	0	0	12.3	15.2	8.1	10.4	7.7	7.6	0	9.7	0	0	0	0	10.1
Need tutoring/remedial work: Writing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



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Full-time, First-time Freshmen - Total

Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
What was your average grade in high school?*	17,009	16,460	16,534	17,480	13,381	15,764	10,472	9,911	9,858	8,973	9,054	10,211	7,085	10,189	10,556	9,269	9,296	10,964	10,935
A or A+	7.5	10.1	11.1	11.1	12	12.3	14.1	14.6	14.6	16.2	18.1	17.6	18.7	20.8	15.1	18.7	18.8	18	16.8
A-	12.6	13.8	12.8	14.1	13.5	14.7	14.6	15.9	16.4	15.4	17.7	16.3	17.6	15.5	16.8	16.2	16.7	16.9	16.9
B+	22	21.1	24.5	23.4	23.3	24.2	23.3	22.2	21.6	20.1	21.8	23.1	21	20.8	22.4	19.9	20.7	20.2	21.6
B	25.9	25.8	25.7	26.7	24.9	25	25.8	24.8	24.6	23.3	22.9	23.7	21.7	23	23	21.5	20.8	22.9	24.9
B-	15.5	12.7	12.7	11.6	11.9	11	10.6	10.7	11	11	9.6	9.6	10.2	9.5	10.6	10.7	12.9	11.3	10.9
C+	10.7	10.5	7.5	8.3	8.3	7.8	7.6	7.7	7.8	8.6	6.5	6.2	6.8	6.7	8.1	8	5.7	7.1	6.2
C	5.6	5.7	5.6	4.5	5.8	4.7	3.9	3.9	3.8	5	3.2	3.3	3.8	3.6	3.7	4.9	4.1	3.5	2.5
D	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
How many Advanced Placement courses did you take in high school?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not offered at my HS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1-4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5-9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
How many Advanced Placement exams did you take in high school?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not offered at my HS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1-4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5-9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
How often in the past year did you?																			
Ask questions in class	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Support your opinions with a logical argument	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seek solutions to problems and explain them to others	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revise your papers to improve your writing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Evaluate the quality or reliability of information you received	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Take a risk because you felt you had more to gain	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seek alternative solutions to a problem	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Look up scientific research articles and resources	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



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Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
How often in the past year did you:																			
Explore topics on your own, even though it was not required for a class																			
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Accept mistakes as part of the learning process																			
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seek feedback on your academic work																			
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Take notes during class																			
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Asked a teacher for advice after class																			
Frequently	17,245	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,457	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	22.9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26.6	0	0	0	0
Not at all	66.8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	63.4	0	0	0	0
Attended a religious service																			
Frequently	17,162	0	0	0	0	0	9,908	9,798	0	9,032	10,121	7,061	10,073	10,420	9,134	9,241	10,953	10,604	
Occasionally	49.9	0	0	0	0	0	48.6	49.3	0	49.8	51.3	49.2	51.6	47.8	46.3	45.3	41.6	40.4	
Not at all	35.4	0	0	0	0	0	37.4	37.2	0	36.4	36.3	36.8	34	37.9	37.9	38.4	39.6	41.2	
Came late to class																			
Frequently	17,277	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	4.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not at all	50.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Discussed politics																			
Frequently	17,221	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,934	0
Occasionally	25.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23.3	0
Not at all	60.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	58.9	0
Discussed religion																			
Frequently	17,236	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,890	0
Occasionally	27.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23.3	0
Not at all	61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	58.3	0
Drank beer																			
Frequently	17,227	0	0	0	0	0	9,817	9,732	0	8,968	10,021	7,028	10,034	10,415	9,145	9,206	10,936	10,589	
Occasionally	15.5	0	0	0	0	0	24.2	26	0	24.7	25.6	23.1	19.1	23.2	21.7	20.8	21.4	17.4	
Not at all	46.5	0	0	0	0	0	50.4	50.3	0	50.3	50.7	51.4	46.4	48	47.1	47.2	45.7	45.6	
Drank wine or liquor																			
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	998	0	9,193	10,920	10,582
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22.4	0	13	14.3	11.7
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	59.6	0	56.9	55.5	53.5
Failed to complete a homework assignment on time																			
Frequently	17,253	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7,036	10,056	10,463	9,168	9,243	10,947	10,617	
Occasionally	5.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.7	8.2	7	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.8	
Not at all	60.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	57.1	59.6	62.2	62.9	62	62.3	63.2	
Felt depressed																			
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,411	9,137	9,195	10,920	10,595
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8.1	7.5	8.2	9.9	8.7
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	72.3	73	71	71.9	70.7
Felt overwhelmed by all I had to do																			
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,418	9,144	9,206	10,937	10,609
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17.5	18.2	17.5	22	21.4
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	65.6	65.9	65.1	63.9	64.3
Performed community service as part of a class																			
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



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Table with columns for Sample University (1990-2010) and rows detailing various activities like 'Explore topics on your own', 'Accept mistakes as part of the learning process', 'Seek feedback on your academic work', etc., with numerical values for each year.



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Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
How often in the past year did you:																			
Performed volunteer work	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,981	10,412	9,108	0	0	10,591
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18.8	16	16.4	0	0	12.6
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	52.9	55.6	54.5	0	0	52.2
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28.3	28.4	29.1	0	0	35.2
Played a musical instrument	17,200	0	0	0	0	0	9,894	9,740	0	8,965	10,055	7,057	10,077	10,462	9,170	9,229	0	0	0
Frequently	20.6	0	0	0	0	0	22.4	23.1	0	23.4	23.5	23.3	22.1	21.9	21.8	21.2	0	0	0
Occasionally	18.2	0	0	0	0	0	23	22	0	21.4	24.7	24.2	21.7	23.3	23.8	23.6	0	0	0
Not at all	61.1	0	0	0	0	0	54.6	54.9	0	55.2	51.8	52.5	56.1	54.8	54.5	55.2	0	0	0
Skipped school/class	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Smoked cigarettes	17,249	0	0	0	0	9,896	9,755	0	8,970	10,062	7,048	10,046	10,433	9,142	9,211	10,940	10,600	0	0
Frequently	13.4	0	0	0	0	11.4	10	0	7.6	8	7.3	5.5	6.3	5.9	6.3	7.4	7.3	0	0
Occasionally	18.2	0	0	0	0	15.4	14.3	0	12.3	12.7	12.2	11.4	12.4	13.2	14.2	16.2	15.8	0	0
Not at all	68.4	0	0	0	0	73.2	75.6	0	80.1	79.3	80.5	83.1	81.3	80.9	79.5	76.3	76.9	0	0
Socialized with someone of another racial/ethnic group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Studied with other students	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,328	9,030	9,098	10,935	10,618	0
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35.3	36.5	31.5	29.7	29.5	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	55.8	55.2	59.7	60	58.9	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8.9	8.3	8.8	10.2	11.6	0
Tutored another student	17,228	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,381	9,155	9,218	10,935	10,523	0
Frequently	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10.4	10.8	10.4	9.2	9.3	0
Occasionally	42.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41.7	41.6	44.3	46.1	45.5	0
Not at all	50.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	47.8	47.6	45.4	44.7	45.2	0
Used the Internet for research of homework	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Voted in a student election	17,275	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Frequently	63.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occasionally	29.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not at all	7.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Was a guest in a teacher's home	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,391	9,105	0	10,921	10,595	0
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.1	6.4	0	4.7	4.8	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27.9	28.6	0	25.9	24.5	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	66	65	0	69.4	70.7	0
Was bored in class	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,020	10,479	9,184	9,232	10,945	10,647	0
Frequently	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30.1	28.2	34	33.3	38.1	36.8	0
Occasionally	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60.1	58.6	59.8	61	57.7	53.8	0
Not at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9.7	13.2	6.2	5.6	4.2	9.5	0
Worked in a local, state or national political campaign	17,213	0	0	0	0	9,804	9,679	0	8,867	9,945	7,035	9,926	0	0	0	0	10,882	0	0
Frequently	2.8	0	0	0	0	1.6	1.1	0	1.2	1	1.2	1.6	0	0	0	0	1.4	0	0
Occasionally	11.7	0	0	0	0	8.4	8.8	0	8.9	8.1	7.6	9	0	0	0	0	9	0	0
Not at all	85.5	0	0	0	0	90	90.1	0	89.9	90.9	91.2	89.4	0	0	0	0	89.6	0	0



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Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
Time spent during a typical week:																			
Studying/homework	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	930	0	8,629	10,238	9,938
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.3	2.6	2.8
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.7	0	4.8	4.5	4.3
1 to 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18.1	0	12.4	10.6	11.5
3 to 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8.8	0	26.7	25.9	25.6
6 to 10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14.7	0	29.2	30.3	30.1
11 to 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18.9	0	15.1	17	16.6
16 to 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	7.3	7.6	7.9
Over 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29.8	0	1.3	1.3	1.2
Socializing with friends	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,577	10,088	10,122
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23.2	21.4	22.5
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14.5	14.5	14.4
1 to 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20.6	19.8	18.9
3 to 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23.6	23.6	22.2
6 to 10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13.7	15	15
11 to 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.5	4.6	5.3
16 to 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.9	1	1.4
Over 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.2	0.3
Talking with teachers outside of class	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,615	9,726	8,963
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.4	0.8	3.7
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.4	0.6	2.6
1 to 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.2	1.6	4.4
3 to 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.1	4.7	7.9
6 to 10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15.5	15	15.9
11 to 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32.7	33.1	27.6
16 to 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	36.3	32.1
Over 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.6	7.9	5.8
Exercising or sports	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,606	10,140	10,395
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9.9	8.4	8.3
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8.1	7.1	7.8
1 to 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13.9	13.8	14
3 to 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20.7	20.2	19.7
6 to 10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20.3	22.1	21.3
11 to 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15.2	16.8	16.2
16 to 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8.4	8.5	9.8
Over 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.4	3.3	3.1
Partying	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,577	10,124	10,534
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.9	4	4
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.1	4.4	4.3
1 to 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9.4	8.2	8.6
3 to 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	18.4	18.6
6 to 10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23.4	24.3	24.4
11 to 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15.7	16.8	16.8
16 to 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12.2	12.1	11.9
Over 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11.2	11.7	11.4
Working (for pay)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,581	10,132	10,571
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21.9	21.5	19.2
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17.5	17.8	16.7
1 to 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12.3	13.2	13.1
3 to 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9.3	9.9	11
6 to 10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.1	6.2	6.8
11 to 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.3	3.2	4.2
16 to 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.5	2.3	3.3
Over 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27.1	25.9	25.7



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Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
Time spent during a typical week:																			
Volunteer work	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,559	10,078	10,539
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.9	0.7	2.2
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.4	0.3	1.6
1 to 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.8	0.6	1.7
3 to 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.5	2.5	3.1
6 to 10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7.7	7.3	8.5
11 to 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13.8	14.8	17.1
16 to 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15.5	16.8	19.7
Over 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	58.5	56.9	46.1
Student clubs/groups	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,542	10,075	10,520
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.1	1.9	1.8
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.7	1.6	1.5
1 to 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.8	3	3.2
3 to 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9.4	9	9
6 to 10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20.3	19.5	20.1
11 to 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25.2	26.2	25.7
16 to 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	13.7	13.9
Over 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24.3	25.1	24.8
Watching TV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,580	10,117	10,587
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.5	3.5	3.5
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.8	3.1	2.8
1 to 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7.3	6.6	7.1
3 to 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18.4	18.6	17
6 to 10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29.1	28.1	26.6
11 to 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	22	22.7
16 to 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12.5	12.9	13.2
Over 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5.4	5.1	7
Housework/childcare	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1 to 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 to 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 to 10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 to 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16 to 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Over 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reading for pleasure	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1 to 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 to 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 to 10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 to 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16 to 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Over 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



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Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
Time spent during a typical week:																			
Playing video/computer games																			
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1 to 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 to 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 to 10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 to 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16 to 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Over 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Online social networks (MySpace, Facebook, etc.)																			
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1 to 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 to 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 to 10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 to 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16 to 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Over 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Compared to average person of your age:																			
Ability to see the world from someone else's perspective																			
Highest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Above average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Below average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lowest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tolerance of others with different beliefs																			
Highest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Above average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Below average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lowest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Openness to having my own views challenged																			
Highest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Above average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Below average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lowest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ability to discuss and negotiate controversial issues																			
Highest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Above average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Below average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lowest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ability to work cooperatively with diverse people																			
Highest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Above average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Below average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lowest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



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Full-time, First-time Freshmen - Total

Sample University	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Time spent during a typical week:																					
Playing video/computer games	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16,661	14,089	15,076	13,106	14,702	15,268	11,463	15,471	11,249	10,789	9,063
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.8	2	2.1	1.9	2.2	2.1	1.4
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1.1	1	1	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.1
1 to 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.1	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.9	2.8	3	3	2.9	2.9	2.8
3 to 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5.4	5.4	5.6	5.9	6.6	6.8	6.4	6.3	6.6	7.3	6.8
6 to 10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11.8	11.7	11.3	12.1	11.9	12.1	12.6	11.8	13	12.2	11.8
11 to 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17.4	17.8	17.2	17	16.3	15.3	16.5	15.5	15.8	16	13.9
16 to 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24.1	24.4	23.6	23	21.7	20.9	20.6	20.9	20.6	19.7	18.3
Over 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36.7	35.7	37.3	37.1	37.6	38.7	37.5	39.2	37.4	38.4	43.9
Online social networks (MySpace, Facebook, etc.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15,445	11,261	10,799	9,062
None	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.6	2.4	2.5	2.9
Less than one	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1.9	1.9	2.2
1 to 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.8	4.1	4.1	5.5
3 to 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9.8	10.7	10.8	14
6 to 10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21.6	22.5	23	27.9
11 to 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26.3	26.5	27.5	26.7
16 to 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18.7	19.4	20.2	15.5
Over 20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15.1	12.5	10	5.3
Compared to average person of your age:																					
Ability to see the world from someone else's perspective	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11,529	11,251	9,534
Highest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18.8	18.6	25.7
Above average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	46.4	45.7	47.4
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32.2	33.2	24.9
Below average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.4	2.4	1.9
Lowest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.2	0.1	0.1
Tolerance of others with different beliefs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11,526	11,236	9,523
Highest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29.2	27.2	35.4
Above average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43.5	44.6	42.6
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24.4	25.2	19.8
Below average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.7	2.7	2.1
Lowest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.3	0.4	0.1
Openness to having my own views challenged	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11,517	11,230	9,507
Highest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18.4	18	21.8
Above average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40.2	39.2	40
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34.5	36	31.7
Below average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.1	6	5.7
Lowest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.7	0.8	0.8
Ability to discuss and negotiate controversial issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11,522	11,238	9,509
Highest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23.4	22.2	27.9
Above average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40.7	40.6	43.9
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31.4	32.7	25.3
Below average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.2	4	2.6
Lowest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.3	0.4	0.3
Ability to work cooperatively with diverse people	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11,526	11,229	9,506
Highest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31.9	31.2	38.6
Above average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	46.4	46.9	45.7
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20.5	20.7	15.1
Below average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1.1	0.5
Lowest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1



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Full-time, First-time Freshmen - Total

Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
Compared to average person of your age:																			
Physical health	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,376	9,131	9,204	10,917	10,890
Highest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25.7	26.8	24.4	22.6	23.7
Above average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41.5	40.6	39.8	40.7	40.3
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	29.2	32.2	32.6	32
Below average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.6	3.1	3.3	3.8	3.8
Lowest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2
Popularity	17,162	0	0	17,053	0	15,607	0	0	0	8,819	0	0	0	0	10,356	9,101	9,174	10,897	10,870
Highest 10%	3.4	0	0	3.8	0	4.6	0	0	0	6.1	0	0	0	0	9.3	10.8	9.9	9.2	9.6
Above average	29.9	0	0	32	0	32	0	0	0	34.8	0	0	0	0	39.6	40.6	40.2	39.5	39.4
Average	60.6	0	0	59.3	0	59.2	0	0	0	54.9	0	0	0	0	46.8	44.5	45.3	46.4	46.1
Below average	5.6	0	0	4.4	0	3.8	0	0	0	3.9	0	0	0	0	3.8	3.6	4.1	4.3	4.4
Lowest 10%	0.6	0	0	0.4	0	0.4	0	0	0	0.3	0	0	0	0	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6
Public speaking ability	17,131	0	0	17,096	0	15,574	0	0	0	8,783	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,146	10,861	10,882
Highest 10%	4.3	0	0	5	0	5.4	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	10.2	9.3	9.8
Above average	18.8	0	0	20.4	0	20.8	0	0	0	23.8	0	0	0	0	0	0	27.7	27.1	26.8
Average	42.7	0	0	43.2	0	43.2	0	0	0	43.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	39.4	38.6	39.2
Below average	28.4	0	0	26.7	0	26.2	0	0	0	22.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	19.6	21.2	20.2
Lowest 10%	5.9	0	0	4.6	0	4.4	0	0	0	3.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.2	3.8	4
Self confidence (intellectual)	17,182	0	0	17,173	0	15,668	0	0	0	8,868	0	0	0	0	10,381	9,125	9,190	10,906	10,882
Highest 10%	7	0	0	9.3	0	10.4	0	0	0	13.7	0	0	0	0	18.4	19.8	17.6	16.6	17.1
Above average	36.6	0	0	39.5	0	39.9	0	0	0	44.1	0	0	0	0	46.1	45.8	42.3	43.3	43.1
Average	48.2	0	0	44.9	0	43.9	0	0	0	37.8	0	0	0	0	31.8	30.9	35.9	34.9	34.6
Below average	7.6	0	0	5.8	0	5.4	0	0	0	4.1	0	0	0	0	3.4	3.3	3.9	4.8	4.9
Lowest 10%	0.6	0	0	0.5	0	0.4	0	0	0	0.3	0	0	0	0	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3
Self confidence (social)	17,172	0	0	17,134	0	15,605	0	0	0	8,819	0	0	0	0	10,375	9,124	9,190	10,913	10,889
Highest 10%	4.4	0	0	6.7	0	7.8	0	0	0	9.3	0	0	0	0	13.8	15	13.4	12.4	12.4
Above average	26.2	0	0	31.8	0	32.7	0	0	0	37.2	0	0	0	0	38.9	39.5	36.6	36.6	36.7
Average	50.7	0	0	48.9	0	48.1	0	0	0	43.6	0	0	0	0	38	36.5	39.6	39.6	39.4
Below average	17	0	0	11.6	0	10.7	0	0	0	9.2	0	0	0	0	8.6	8.2	9.5	10.5	10.4
Lowest 10%	1.6	0	0	0.9	0	0.7	0	0	0	0.7	0	0	0	0	0.8	0.7	0.9	0.9	1.2
Self understanding	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Highest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Above average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Below average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lowest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spirituality	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Highest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Above average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Below average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lowest 10%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Understanding of others	17,190	0	0	17,242	0	15,668	0	0	0	8,831	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Highest 10%	15.2	0	0	17.3	0	18.3	0	0	0	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Above average	49.5	0	0	50.3	0	50.3	0	0	0	50.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Average	33.4	0	0	30.9	0	30.1	0	0	0	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Below average	1.7	0	0	1.3	0	1.1	0	0	0	1.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lowest 10%	0.2	0	0	0.2	0	0.1	0	0	0	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Writing ability	17,112	0	0	17,185	0	15,653	0	0	0	8,823	0	0	0	0	10,378	9,127	9,202	10,920	10,892
Highest 10%	5.7	0	0	7.3	0	8.3	0	0	0	8.9	0	0	0	0	11.2	11.6	11.1	11.5	11.4
Above average	26.6	0	0	28.8	0	28.9	0	0	0	31.5	0	0	0	0	34.6	38.2	37.7	37.7	38.3
Average	50.6	0	0	48.7	0	47.8	0	0	0	47	0	0	0	0	43.6	41	41.6	40.9	40.7
Below average	14.9	0	0	13.4	0	13.2	0	0	0	11.3	0	0	0	0	9.5	8.4	8.7	8.9	8.9
Lowest 10%	2.1	0	0	1.9	0	1.8	0	0	0	1.3	0	0	0	0	1	0.8	0.9	1	0.7

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Full-time, First-time Freshmen - Total

Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	
Reason in your decision to come here:																				
I was attracted by the religious affiliation/orientation of the college																				
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,950
Very important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.7
Somewhat important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8.6
Not important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	88.7
I was offered financial assistance																				
	0	15,469	15,670	16,509	12,730	14,967	10,129	9,527	9,419	8,560	8,691	9,776	6,838	9,594	9,978	8,398	8,543	10,247	10,456	
Very important	0	15.7	15.1	16.6	16.2	13.7	16.2	15.6	16.5	17.9	15.6	16.1	20.2	21	18.1	21.3	18	18.6	19.1	
Somewhat important	0	12.5	14.2	14.6	13.4	14.9	16	17.1	18.4	22	18.8	19.2	19.6	21.5	19.6	19.5	17.7	17.7	18.3	
Not important	0	71.8	70.7	68.8	70.4	71.4	67.8	67.3	65.1	60.2	65.7	64.7	60.2	57.4	62.3	59.2	64.3	63.6	62.5	
Information from a website																				
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Somewhat important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
My parents wanted me to come here*																				
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Somewhat important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
My relatives wanted me to come here*																				
	16,242	0	0	16,930	13,072	15,291	10,306	9,711	9,576	8,720	8,862	9,955	6,956	9,788	10,089	8,515	8,660	10,369	10,582	
Very important	6.9	0	0	6.5	7.4	6.1	6.3	5.7	5.4	6.7	6.5	6.1	6.5	8.6	6	7.8	6.9	6.3	8.2	
Somewhat important	21.9	0	0	25.1	23.6	20.1	20.9	21.3	22	22.8	22.9	22.4	24.3	27.8	23.9	30.1	27.9	26.7	28.2	
Not important	71.2	0	0	68.4	69	73.8	72.8	73	72.6	70.5	70.7	71.6	69.1	63.6	70.1	62	65.3	67.1	63.5	
My teacher advised me																				
	0	0	15,790	16,571	12,903	15,148	10,233	9,652	9,521	8,654	8,812	9,897	6,923	9,735	10,052	8,480	8,619	10,332	10,551	
Very important	0	0	4.1	4.6	4.1	3	3.8	3.4	3.1	3.5	3	3.3	3.9	3.9	2.8	3.1	2.8	3.1	2.7	
Somewhat important	0	0	21.2	24.1	22.2	23	23.7	24.2	24.6	24	23.4	23.9	26	27.9	24.3	25.3	22.4	25.7	24.3	
Not important	0	0	74.6	71.3	73.6	73.9	72.5	72.4	72.2	72.6	73.6	72.7	70.1	68.2	72.9	71.6	74.8	71.3	73.1	
Not offered aid by first choice																				
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,434	9,748	8,258	8,416	10,134	10,369	
Very important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4.1	4.8	4.9	5.3	5.4	
Somewhat important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7.3	6.7	7.7	7	7.5	8.6	
Not important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	88.7	89.3	87.5	88.1	87.3	86	
Private college counselor advised me																				
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Somewhat important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rankings in national magazines																				
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Somewhat important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
The athletic dept. recruited me																				
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,756	9,538	9,978	8,364	8,548	10,208	10,400	
Very important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.5	3.6	3.9	3.7	3.5	3.5	3.8	
Somewhat important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.2	4.3	4.6	5	4.8	4.8	5	
Not important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	91.3	92.1	91.5	91.3	91.7	91.7	91.3	
The cost of attending this college																				
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Somewhat important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
This college has a good reputation for its social activities																				
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,939	9,783	10,061	8,494	8,637	10,340	10,566	
Very important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22.7	25.8	28.2	32.9	30.2	27.7	27.2	
Somewhat important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	48.2	47.3	48	46	46	48.4	48.2	
Not important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29.1	26.9	23.8	21.1	23.8	24	24.6	
This college has a very good academic reputation																				
	0	15,576	16,216	17,120	13,090	15,391	10,341	9,749	9,614	8,740	8,874	10,013	6,974	9,839	10,092	8,539	8,658	10,381	10,606	
Very important	0	52.7	54.1	56.2	55.1	48.5	56.3	57.3	58.5	59.5	61.7	62.2	66.2	64.7	59.7	63.6	65	61	58.7	
Somewhat important	0	37.6	37.7	36.7	36.5	41.9	37.4	36.5	36	34.6	32.4	32.9	29.6	30.8	35.5	32.3	31	34.5	36.1	
Not important	0	9.7	8.2	7.1	8.4	9.6	6.3	6.1	5.5	5.9	5.9	5	4.2	4.5	4.7	4.1	4	4.5	5.2	



The Freshmen Survey Trends Report: 1971 to 2010

Full-time, First-time Freshmen - Total

Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
Reason in your decision to come here:																			
This college's graduates gain admission to top graduate/professional schools																			
Very important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,876	9,540	9,890	8,376	8,486	0	10,436
Somewhat important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37.8	37.4	38.2	39.2	40.1	0	41.4
Not important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32.3	32.3	36.5	32.8	29.2	0	32.5
This college's graduates get good jobs																			
Very important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,894	9,536	9,690	8,219	8,394	10,227	10,347
Somewhat important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32.1	32.9	36.1	36.5	35.7	39	38.6
Not important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12.4	13.6	15.9	13.3	13.1	27.1	15.3
Is this college your:																			
First choice?	0	0	0	17,498	13,462	15,873	10,542	9,982	9,911	9,010	9,108	10,252	7,115	10,197	10,590	9,265	9,326	11,006	10,953
Second choice?	0	0	0	16.9	81.7	81.2	79.6	79.1	80.2	80.9	81.1	78.2	79.6	79.9	78	77.6	75.4	71.8	73.5
Less than second choice?	0	0	0	4.4	14.5	14.6	16	16.5	15.7	14.9	15.1	17.4	15.8	15.8	17.2	17.8	18.7	21.2	20.2
Third choice?	0	0	0	0	3.8	4.2	4.4	4.4	4.1	4.2	3.9	4.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less than third choice?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.3	2.9	3.2	3	3.8	4.8	4
Were you accepted by your first choice college?																			
No	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
How many miles is this college from your permanent home?																			
10 or less	17,056	16,571	16,534	0	13,316	15,795	10,473	9,933	9,821	8,943	9,053	10,192	6,989	10,029	10,591	9,262	9,254	10,931	10,907
11 to 50	19	20.9	17.6	0	19.6	18.3	17.2	17.3	16.8	19.9	15.9	14.5	14.8	16.5	13.2	13	11.6	12.4	12.7
51 to 100	20.4	19.8	21.5	0	19.9	19	22.3	22.3	20.8	20.3	19	18.5	20.6	20.7	18.3	18.8	19.7	21.9	22.4
101 to 500	20.1	17.9	17.6	0	14.6	16.6	15.9	14.5	15	14.4	14.2	17.8	14.6	14.3	18.1	16.2	17.3	15.2	16
More than 500	30.6	29.9	32.2	0	33.8	34.1	31.8	30.7	33.1	30.3	34	34.3	31.6	32.7	33.9	33.2	33.2	33.6	33.1
To how many other colleges than this one did you apply for admission this year?																			
None	0	16,460	16,551	0	13,000	15,445	10,292	9,625	9,541	8,726	8,866	10,123	6,961	9,884	10,413	9,153	9,236	10,886	10,875
One	0	47.4	48.8	0	43.4	42.4	40.5	39	39.8	41.3	38.8	36.4	35	38.6	37.1	37.7	34.5	31.9	31.6
Two	0	19.7	19.2	0	19.2	18.5	18.4	17.8	17	16.2	17	16.8	17.8	17.6	20.1	18.6	15.7	15.5	15.9
Three	0	15.1	13.7	0	13.7	14.7	16.7	16.8	17.2	16.3	17.9	17	18.3	17.4	16.7	16.2	15.9	16.7	16.5
Four	0	8.3	8.7	0	10.4	11.7	12.4	13	12.7	12.5	12.5	14.5	13.6	13.6	13	12.3	14.9	15	14.4
Five	0	4.2	4.4	0	5.8	5.8	5.4	6.4	6.3	6.1	6.1	7	7.3	6.2	6.5	6.4	8.4	8.5	8.6
Six or more	0	2.5	2.7	0	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.4	3.4	3.8	3.3	4.1	3.5	3.1	3.1	4.3	4.9	5.7	5.8
Six	0	2.6	2.4	0	4.2	3.6	3.3	3.6	3.7	3.9	4.3	4.3	4.6	3.5	3.5	4.6	5.8	6.7	7.3
Seven to ten	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eleven or more	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prior to this term, have you ever taken courses for credit at this institution?																			
No	0	16,552	15,593	17,525	13,484	15,843	10,505	9,934	9,875	8,970	9,100	10,228	7,029	10,044	9,547	9,283	9,296	10,972	10,140
Yes	0	96.5	96.7	96.8	96.5	96.8	97.8	97.7	97.4	97.6	97.6	96.8	97.2	95.8	97.1	96.3	96	96.2	96.7
Since leaving high school, have you ever taken courses, whether for credit or not for credit, at any other institution (university, 4- or 2-year college, technical, vocational, or business school)?																			
No	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



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Full-time, First-time Freshmen - Total

Sample University	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Reason in your decision to come here:																					
This college's graduates gain admission to top graduate/professional schools																					
Very important	24.6	25.8	26.8	29.1	28.3	26.8	32.4	34.2	29.7	29.8	26.6	25	0	0	25.8	27.5	28.4	28.5	31.6	29.7	39.2
Somewhat important	40.5	36.8	36.7	35.6	38.6	38.1	37.5	38.6	37.9	39.4	39.5	40.2	0	0	39.4	41.3	40.6	43.1	40.6	41.6	39
Not important	34.8	37.4	36.5	35.3	33.1	35.1	30.2	27.1	32.4	30.8	34	34.8	0	0	34.7	31.2	31	28.4	27.8	28.6	21.8
This college's graduates get good jobs																					
Very important	44.6	46.7	47.8	52.7	48.6	47.6	54	57.5	53	51.7	48.7	47.1	0	0	48.3	47.8	50.9	48	52.6	54.1	65.5
Somewhat important	38.1	36	34.8	31.9	36.1	35.4	32.5	31.2	33.3	35.1	35.8	37.2	0	0	36	37.6	34.7	37.5	33.7	33.6	27.6
Not important	17.4	17.3	17.4	15.5	15.3	17	13.5	11.3	13.8	13.3	15.4	15.7	0	0	15.6	14.6	14.4	14.5	13.7	12.4	7
Is this college your:																					
First choice?	75	75	75.1	75.8	77.1	76	76.6	76.4	76.3	77.9	73	73.3	72.5	71.3	73.2	73.1	70.9	68.3	64.3	63.6	71.5
Second choice?	19.3	19.4	19	18.5	17.1	18	17.4	17.7	17.5	16.3	20.3	20.3	20.3	19.9	19.2	19.4	20.6	22.3	23.4	24.1	20.4
Less than second choice?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Third choice?	3.7	3.7	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.8	4.1	3.8	4.6	4.4	4.5	5.5	4.7	4.6	5.2	6.5	7.6	7.4	5.2
Less than third choice?	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.1	2	2.1	2	2.8	3.3	2.9	2.9	3.3	3	4.8	5	2.9
Were you accepted by your first choice college?																					
No	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5.484	16.203	11.673	11.231	9.584
Yes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	55.8	83.6	80.2	80.3	83.9
How many miles is this college from your permanent home?																					
10 or less	15.8	15	11.6	11.5	12.9	12.2	13.4	12	10.7	9	11.6	10	9.4	9.3	11.2	12.4	10.6	10.7	10.5	9.5	11.1
11 to 50	25.8	26.1	25.3	21.4	20.6	23.8	22.6	18.4	20.7	19.1	26.8	26	23.3	27	25.7	28.4	24.9	25.6	25.6	25.7	20.5
51 to 100	15	15.5	15.1	16.5	17.3	18.7	17.8	19	19	18.8	15.3	18.5	17.7	17.6	16.7	18.7	17.6	18.1	18.8	21.5	10.8
101 to 500	29.9	31.4	33.3	33.9	34.6	31.6	30.3	34.6	35.5	39.1	34.5	35.4	38.6	35.3	34.9	30.8	32.9	34.1	30.7	30.1	29.6
More than 500	13.4	12	14.7	16.7	14.6	13.7	15.8	16	14	14	11.7	10.1	11.1	10.7	11.5	9.6	14.1	11.4	14.4	13.1	28
To how many other colleges than this one did you apply for admission this year?																					
None	33.3	31.7	30.7	27.9	31.7	31.4	32.9	29	29.6	27.6	28.1	25.4	26.1	23.4	23.1	23.9	21.3	23.3	20.9	20.1	18.1
One	16.8	16	17.8	17.3	16.8	16.1	16.1	16.7	16.4	15.5	15.3	15.3	15.1	14.7	14.4	14.4	12.9	14.9	13.2	13.2	12.3
Two	17.2	18	18.2	17.8	17.3	16.9	16.9	16.4	16.5	16.8	17.8	18.4	17.5	16.7	16.6	16.2	17.4	16.8	15.1	15.7	13.9
Three	14.6	15.2	14.8	15.7	14.6	14.6	13.8	14.6	15.6	16.1	16.6	18.1	16.6	16.4	16.9	16.2	17.6	16.6	15.8	15.7	14.1
Four	8.6	8.6	8.3	9.1	8.8	8.8	8.3	9.2	9.5	10.4	9.9	10.5	10.2	11.4	10.9	11.2	11.5	11.1	11.7	12.1	9.8
Five	4.5	5	4.6	5.9	4.6	5.4	5.5	6.4	5.4	6.2	5.6	5.5	6.2	7.3	6.9	6.9	7.6	6.6	8.3	8.1	7.1
Six or more	5.1	5.6	5.5	6.3	6.1	6.8	6.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Six	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.4	3.3	3.4	2.9	3.1	3.7	4.5	4.7	4.5	4.8	3.9	5	5.3	5.5
Seven to ten	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.8	3.1	3.5	3.3	3.1	4	4.7	5.6	5.8	6	5.9	8.3	8.4	13.6
Eleven or more	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.9	1	1	1	1	1.7	1.3	5.5
Prior to this term, have you ever taken courses for credit at this institution?																					
No	95.6	96.1	96.6	96.1	95.2	95.2	95.1	94.8	93.2	94.2	96	96.3	95.9	96.3	96.4	96.2	96.4	95.7	95.4	95.8	95.5
Yes	4.4	3.9	3.4	3.9	4.8	4.8	4.9	5.2	6.8	5.8	4	3.7	4.1	3.7	3.6	3.8	3.6	4.3	4.6	4.2	4.5
Since leaving high school, have you ever taken courses, whether for credit or not for credit, at any other institution (university, 4- or 2-year college, technical, vocational, or business school)?																					
No	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15,729	12,377	16,099	11,575	11,263	9,622
Yes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	86.1	86	86.2	85.4	86.5	86.1
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13.9	14	13.8	14.6	13.5	13.9



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Full-time, First-time Freshmen - Total

Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
Highest degree planned anywhere*	<i>0</i>	<i>14,329</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>14,791</i>	<i>11,119</i>	<i>13,358</i>	<i>9,112</i>	<i>8,447</i>	<i>8,514</i>	<i>7,674</i>	<i>7,949</i>	<i>8,940</i>	<i>6,199</i>	<i>8,587</i>	<i>8,847</i>	<i>7,857</i>	<i>7,686</i>	<i>9,148</i>	<i>9,303</i>
None	0	1.4	0	1.5	2.1	1.7	1	1.1	0.7	0.9	1.1	0.9	1	0.9	1.2	1.2	1	0.8	0.6
Vocational certificate	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Associate (A.A.) or equivalent	0	3.3	0	2.3	2.9	2.6	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.4	0.9	0.8	0.5	1.5	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.4
Bachelor (B.A.,B.S., etc.)	0	40.1	0	38.4	34.7	36.6	34.3	35.9	35	34.3	33.7	34.6	30	33.9	34.5	31.7	27.8	26.7	24.9
Master degree (M.A.,M.S., etc.)	0	28.4	0	30.9	31.8	32.6	35.4	35.7	38	36.9	39.3	38.5	39	37.1	38.9	39.5	42.3	42.5	43.1
Ph.D. or Ed.D	0	10.6	0	11.2	11.7	10.8	12.3	12.4	12.3	12.2	12.4	12	14.3	12.6	12.5	13.8	15.1	16.1	17
M.D., D.D.S., D.V.M. or D.O.	0	9.4	0	9.4	9.6	8.6	8.9	7.7	7	7.6	6.7	7.2	8.2	8.3	7.5	7.8	7.4	6.7	7.5
LL.B. or J.D. (law)	0	5.2	0	4.6	5	4.8	4.8	4.1	4.1	4.3	4.3	4.5	4.8	3.9	3.3	4	4.8	5.3	5.2
B.D. or M.Div. (divinity)	0	0.2	0	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2
Other	0	1.3	0	1.3	1.8	2.1	1.6	1.6	1.3	2	1.3	1.2	1.5	1.1	0.9	1	0.9	1.1	1.1
Highest degree planned at this institution*	<i>0</i>	<i>11,441</i>	<i>15,247</i>	<i>12,052</i>	<i>9,708</i>	<i>11,048</i>	<i>7,490</i>	<i>6,586</i>	<i>7,004</i>	<i>6,130</i>	<i>6,502</i>	<i>7,283</i>	<i>5,619</i>	<i>7,357</i>	<i>6,787</i>	<i>6,025</i>	<i>6,002</i>	<i>6,864</i>	<i>6,768</i>
None	0	5.1	4.2	4.6	4.4	4.6	2.9	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.2	2	1.9	2	2.2	1.9	1.5	1.7
Vocational certificate	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Associate (A.A.) or equivalent	0	6.2	5.1	5	6.3	6	1.9	1.9	1.6	2.1	1.9	1.5	1	5.1	1.3	0.9	1.3	0.9	1.2
Bachelor (B.A.,B.S., etc.)	0	64.8	67.9	66.7	65.7	65.6	67.2	68.4	67.2	67.2	68.2	69.1	70	67.1	68.4	66.3	65.1	66.1	65.6
Master degree (M.A.,M.S., etc.)	0	14.5	14.1	15.1	14.1	14.4	17.2	17.4	20	17.9	19.2	18.8	17.4	17.3	19.6	21	22.7	22.3	21.9
Ph.D. or Ed.D	0	2.3	2.5	2.3	2.2	2.4	2.8	2.8	3.1	2.9	2.7	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.9	3.3	3.5	3.9	4.2
M.D., D.D.S., D.V.M. or D.O.	0	3.8	3.7	3.4	3.9	3.5	4.5	3.9	3.3	4.2	2.8	3.3	4	3.2	3	3.5	3.1	2.5	2.5
LL.B. or J.D. (law)	0	2.1	1.6	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.7	1.4	1.7	1.7	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.8	1.6
B.D. or M.Div. (divinity)	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
Other	0	1.2	0.9	1.2	1.6	1.9	1.5	1.3	0.9	1.3	1	0.8	1.1	0.8	0.9	1.1	0.7	0.8	1.1



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Sample University	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Highest degree planned anywhere*	<i>10,341</i>	<i>9,304</i>	<i>10,300</i>	<i>8,718</i>	<i>10,918</i>	<i>9,783</i>	<i>8,708</i>	<i>8,702</i>	<i>12,149</i>	<i>9,483</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>12,270</i>	<i>13,472</i>	<i>11,061</i>	<i>12,806</i>	<i>13,192</i>	<i>10,971</i>	<i>14,002</i>	<i>10,200</i>	<i>9,925</i>	<i>8,960</i>
None	1	0.8	1.7	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0	0.5	0.8	0.7	1.2	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.4
Vocational certificate	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
Associate (A.A.) or equivalent	0.7	0.8	1	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.3	0	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4
Bachelor (B.A., B.S., etc.)	26.4	24.6	27.6	22.6	24.4	24.6	23.6	21.3	24.6	22.7	0	27	26.6	26.9	26.5	25.4	24.7	26.5	23.4	24.6	17.1
Master degree (M.A., M.S., etc.)	41.5	42.4	41.9	42.8	41.1	41.1	40.6	42.7	44.1	43.8	0	44.3	41.9	43.2	42.6	42.8	43.3	43.5	44.1	43.5	45.3
Ph.D. or Ed.D	16.3	17.3	14.6	18.9	17.9	17.8	18.4	19.6	16.8	17.1	0	15.6	16.8	15.9	16.5	16	16.8	16.3	17.5	17.4	19.8
M.D., D.D.S., D.V.M. or D.O.	7.4	8.1	8.4	9.2	10.3	10.3	11.2	10.7	8.3	9.4	0	6.9	7.9	7.5	7.2	8.3	8.5	7.5	8	8.1	11.4
LL.B. or J.D. (law)	5	4.7	3.7	4.7	4	3.7	3.3	3.7	3.6	4.2	0	3.5	4	3.6	3.7	4.3	3.5	3.3	3.6	3.3	4
B.D. or M.Div. (divinity)	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
Other	1.3	1.1	0.8	1	1.1	1.1	1.3	1	1.1	1.5	0	1.3	1.1	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.5	1.3	1.5	1.2	1.1
Highest degree planned at this institution*	<i>6,920</i>	<i>6,097</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>5,958</i>	<i>7,499</i>	<i>6,835</i>	<i>6,129</i>	<i>5,891</i>	<i>8,096</i>	<i>6,430</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>8,285</i>	<i>8,966</i>	<i>7,664</i>	<i>8,861</i>	<i>9,569</i>	<i>8,578</i>	<i>10,173</i>	<i>8,321</i>	<i>7,520</i>	<i>8,130</i>
None	2.3	2.1	0	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.6	1.1	1.3	0.9	0	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.5	1.7	1.5	1.8	1.7	0.5
Vocational certificate	0.2	0.1	0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.2
Associate (A.A.) or equivalent	1.8	2.3	0	0.9	1	1.1	1.6	1.2	1.5	1.1	0	2.3	1.8	1.4	2	1.5	1.7	2.2	2.7	2.1	1.1
Bachelor (B.A., B.S., etc.)	63.5	64.8	0	66.1	65.4	66.8	65.3	65.9	67	67.7	0	70.5	70.7	72.2	70.3	69	68	69.3	70.4	71	66.3
Master degree (M.A., M.S., etc.)	23	22.4	0	22.8	22.6	21.5	21.8	22	22.3	20.9	0	20.2	19.7	18	19.2	20.4	20.8	20.5	18.6	19.2	23.3
Ph.D. or Ed.D	3.8	3.5	0	3.7	4.1	4	4	4.5	3.4	3.2	0	2.6	3	3.2	3	3.5	3.9	3.2	3.3	3.1	3.7
M.D., D.D.S., D.V.M. or D.O.	2.6	2.6	0	3	3.1	3	3.5	3.2	2.3	3.1	0	1.2	1.6	1.6	1.3	1.8	1.7	1.1	1	1	3.3
LL.B. or J.D. (law)	1.4	1.1	0	0.9	1.1	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.7	1.1	0	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.7
B.D. or M.Div. (divinity)	0.3	0.2	0	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
Other	1.1	1	0	0.8	1.1	1	1	1.1	1.1	1.6	0	0.8	1.1	1.1	1.4	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.1	1.1	0.9

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Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
Your probable career/occupation*: aggregated	<i>16,501</i>	<i>15,163</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>14,930</i>	<i>10,007</i>	<i>9,361</i>	<i>9,216</i>	<i>8,403</i>	<i>8,529</i>	<i>9,613</i>	<i>6,700</i>	<i>9,318</i>	<i>9,777</i>	<i>8,589</i>	<i>8,616</i>	<i>10,303</i>	<i>10,327</i>
Artist	7.1	5.9	0	0	0	7	7.8	6.9	7	6.4	6.4	6.3	6.5	4.8	5.7	6.3	6	7.2	6.7
Business	8	8.2	0	0	0	12.9	13	14.2	14.3	14.1	14.4	14.5	13.1	16.6	20.2	19.5	19.5	19.6	18
Clerical	1.3	1.5	0	0	0	1.2	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.4
Clergy	0.2	0.3	0	0	0	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
College teacher	0.9	0.5	0	0	0	0.4	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.5
Doctor (MD or DDS)	5.4	7	0	0	0	5.6	5.8	5.1	4.7	4.9	4.5	5.1	5.3	5.9	5.2	5.7	5	5	5.5
Education (secondary)	7.5	5.7	0	0	0	3.5	3	2.2	2.2	1.7	1.8	2.3	1.7	1.9	3	2.7	3.3	3.2	2.8
Education (elementary)	5.9	4.6	0	0	0	4.2	3.6	3.2	3.4	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.3	2.2	3.3	2.9	3.6	4.1	3.4
Engineer	7.9	8	0	0	0	11.7	12.9	14.8	17.6	19.1	21.7	20.6	20.4	21.7	17.1	16	14.9	15.1	15.1
Farmer or forester	2.7	2.7	0	0	0	2.5	2.2	1.3	1.4	1.4	1	0.8	0.8	0.9	1	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.8
Health professional	6.9	8.7	0	0	0	9.1	9	8.4	6.9	6.1	5.3	5.3	6.2	6.1	5.6	5.5	5.4	5	5.8
Homemaker	0.4	0.4	0	0	0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.2	0	0	0	0
Lawyer	5.3	5.6	0	0	0	4.2	4.4	3.9	3.9	4.2	3.9	4	4.6	3.7	3.9	4.2	5.2	5.8	5.9
Military	4.8	5.8	0	0	0	6	7.5	7.8	7.9	7.6	7.5	5.2	9.6	8.1	7.1	7.6	6.2	4	3.9
Nurse	2.9	4.5	0	0	0	4.1	3.2	3.9	3.1	3.1	2.2	2.7	2.5	2.2	1.9	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.5
Research scientist	3.1	2.8	0	0	0	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.1	2.1	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.9	1.9	2	2.1
Social worker	2.8	2.4	0	0	0	2.2	1.8	1.4	1.5	1	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7
Skilled worker	0.4	0.5	0	0	0	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.3
Other career	13.1	12.6	0	0	0	12	12.6	13.3	13.8	15	16.1	17.3	14.9	14.1	13.9	13.1	13.5	13.9	14.6
Undecided	13.3	12.4	0	0	0	9.7	9.4	9.5	8.8	9.2	8.7	9.5	8.9	8	8.8	10.5	11.4	11.3	11.8
Your probable undergraduate field*: aggregated	<i>16,306</i>	<i>15,218</i>	<i>15,246</i>	<i>15,875</i>	<i>12,453</i>	<i>14,568</i>	<i>9,820</i>	<i>9,209</i>	<i>9,082</i>	<i>8,163</i>	<i>8,401</i>	<i>9,608</i>	<i>6,679</i>	<i>9,287</i>	<i>9,538</i>	<i>8,378</i>	<i>8,443</i>	<i>10,202</i>	<i>10,345</i>
Agriculture	2.8	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.3	3	2.9	2	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.3	1	1.3	1.5	1.4	1.3	1	0.9
Biological Science	4.7	4.5	8.3	7.6	6.7	6.3	4.3	3.4	3.5	3.3	3.3	3.7	3.1	3.9	3.6	3.7	4	4.1	4.4
Business	9.9	9.9	11.9	11.8	12.8	15.1	15	16.3	15.6	16	15.5	15.7	14	19	21.8	20.6	21.4	21.4	19.7
Education	8.3	5.9	10.9	10.3	8.7	8.7	7.8	6.6	6.7	4.9	4.9	5.3	4.1	4.5	6.6	5.5	6.4	7.2	5.9
Engineering	9.9	10.5	10.2	12.3	14.2	15	16.9	20.2	23.3	24.6	27.5	24.9	27.4	26.7	21.4	20.9	19.4	16.4	18.4
English	2.1	1.3	1.3	1.2	1	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	1	1.4	1.4	1.6
Health Professional	12.6	16.5	7.2	8.4	8	8	12.2	12.5	10.4	10.4	8.3	8.7	10	9.8	8.6	9.2	7.5	8.2	9.3
History or Political Science	4.3	4.2	4.5	4.1	3.6	3.3	3.3	2.8	2.7	3	2.9	2.9	3.9	3.2	3.4	4.1	4.2	4.9	4.9
Humanities	3.9	3.5	3.3	2.8	2.4	2.3	2.1	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.9	2	1.6	1.9	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.7
Fine Arts	6.6	6.3	5.9	6.4	5	5.6	6.2	5.5	5.6	5.7	5.5	4.4	4.4	3.8	4.3	4.8	4.7	5.4	5.6
Mathematics or Statistics	3.1	2.5	2.3	1.8	1.8	1.2	1.1	1.1	0.8	1.2	0.9	0.9	1.2	1	0.9	1	0.9	0.9	0.8
Physical Sciences	2.9	2.9	3.9	4.2	4	3.8	3	3.6	3	3.1	3.1	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.2	2.5	2.1	2.1	1.8
Social Sciences	9	7.1	6.6	6.5	6	5.5	4.5	4.2	4.2	3.7	3.3	3.7	3.3	3.7	4.5	5	6	6.1	6.1
other Technical	3.8	4.7	5.8	5.7	6.6	6.4	5.4	5.4	6.2	6.8	8.5	10.7	9.3	6.3	5.4	3.9	3.3	3.3	2.9
other Non-technical	13.6	11.9	10.3	9.6	10.2	10.1	9.5	8.9	8.9	8	7.2	7.1	6.6	7	7.7	7.1	7.9	7.7	7.3
undecided	2.6	5	4.4	3.8	5.6	4.8	5.3	5	5	5.1	4.9	5.2	6.1	4.4	5.4	7.1	7.1	7.4	7.7
Where do you plan to live during the fall term?	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>16,484</i>	<i>17,182</i>	<i>12,733</i>	<i>15,289</i>	<i>10,184</i>	<i>9,513</i>	<i>9,558</i>	<i>8,648</i>	<i>8,783</i>	<i>9,899</i>	<i>6,954</i>	<i>9,739</i>	<i>10,383</i>	<i>9,078</i>	<i>9,117</i>	<i>10,739</i>	<i>10,629</i>
With parents or relatives	0	0	26.5	30.8	29.4	25.3	27	26.5	23.9	27.2	23.1	20.4	23.7	25	17.6	19.5	17	20.4	19.3
Other private home, apartment, room	0	0	6	5.4	5.2	6	4.6	5.3	6	7.2	5.8	4	3.6	7.5	5.8	4.8	6	6.5	6.5
College dormitory	0	0	62.8	61.5	61.1	64.7	65	65.4	66.8	62.3	67.5	72.2	69.9	64.4	72.8	72.6	72.6	70	71.4
Fraternity or sorority house	0	0	1.4	0.6	1.1	1.1	0.7	0.8	1.1	0.5	1.1	0.9	0.6	1.1	1.4	1.2	2	1	1
Other campus student housing	0	0	1.6	0.7	1.6	1.6	1.3	1.1	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.2	1.7	1.3	1.7	1.5	1.5
Other	0	0	1.7	0.9	1.6	1.3	1.5	0.9	0.9	1.3	0.9	1	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.3



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Sample University	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Your probable career/occupation*: aggregated	11,828	10,597	9,798	9,687	12,114	11,154	9,879	9,622	13,530	10,347	16,025	13,730	14,870	12,621	14,204	14,789	11,392	15,192	11,042	10,705	9,235
Artist	6.5	6.5	6.3	6	6.4	8.1	6.4	6.1	6.9	7.1	7.6	8.4	6.8	7.2	6.8	8	6.4	7.7	6.7	6.9	7.3
Business	16.7	14.7	11.4	10.3	11.8	11.5	11.7	11.9	13.7	12.9	13.7	13.3	12.4	12.3	13.6	14.6	14.7	14.6	13.8	11.1	11.3
Clerical	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.5	0.4
Clergy	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1
College teacher	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.8
Doctor (MD or DDS)	5.5	6	6.9	6.9	7.9	7.6	8.4	8	6.1	7.5	5.2	4.9	5.9	5.9	5.8	6.5	6.5	6.3	6.5	6.3	9.5
Education (secondary)	3.5	4	3.6	3.6	4	3.8	4.2	3.7	5	4.7	4.4	5.6	4.7	4.7	5.2	4.6	4.7	5.1	5.1	5.1	3.1
Education (elementary)	4.3	4.7	4.7	4.3	4.6	4.9	4.7	5	6.4	5.9	5.7	6.7	5.4	5.1	4.8	4.1	4.1	4.8	4.2	4	2.3
Engineer	14.5	14.7	15.9	17.1	12.4	11.5	13.1	14.6	10.6	9.5	10	6.2	9.1	7.4	9.5	6.6	8.9	6.4	7.2	9.1	11.3
Farmer or forester	0.6	0.6	0.9	1	1.1	0.9	1	0.7	1	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.8	0.5	0.3
Health professional	5.7	6.4	6.9	6.8	7.9	7.3	7.5	7.6	5.9	6.4	5.7	5.6	6	6.2	7.4	7.1	7.6	7.5	7.4	7.4	5
Homemaker	0.1	0.1	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Lawyer	5.5	4.6	4.2	4.3	3.9	3.4	2.9	3.2	3.2	3.5	3.1	3.4	3.5	3.2	3.2	3.6	3.2	2.9	3.1	2.6	3.2
Military	3.3	4.8	4.9	5.8	4.8	4.8	5.6	5.2	4.6	5.8	4	4.6	5.1	5.8	5.3	4.8	6.8	5	6.4	7.4	8.4
Nurse	2.7	2.7	3.3	2.9	2.8	2.5	2.2	1.5	1.8	1.4	1.9	2.5	2.7	4.2	3.8	4.4	4.4	4.7	5.1	6.3	4.7
Research scientist	1.9	1.9	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.5	2	2.6	2.1	2	2.1	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.7	1.7	1.9	1.8	3.4
Social worker	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.1	0.9	0.8	1.1	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.7	1	0.8	1	0.6
Skilled worker	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.2
Other career	16.4	15.5	15.3	15.5	15.7	16.4	16.8	16.7	18.9	18.3	20.7	20.4	20.1	19.6	16.9	17.4	15.5	17.6	16.3	16.5	15.4
Undecided	10.5	10.8	11.1	11.1	12.1	12.1	11.1	10.7	10.9	11.5	12.5	13.4	13.7	13.7	13.2	13.6	12.9	13	12.9	12.6	12.6
Your probable undergraduate field*: aggregated	11,766	10,784	9,959	9,685	12,420	11,489	10,142	9,871	13,840	10,604	16,410	13,871	14,834	12,819	14,245	14,788	11,113	15,072	11,053	10,749	8,919
Agriculture	0.8	0.7	1	1.5	1.6	1.3	1.8	1.9	1.3	1.6	0.7	0.6	0.9	1	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0
Biological Science	4.1	4.8	5.5	5.4	6.7	7.3	7.2	7.5	6.2	7	6.3	5.7	6.3	6.6	6.6	7.3	8.4	7.8	9.3	9.3	11.5
Business	19	15.8	11.9	11.3	12.5	12.4	12.8	13.1	15.3	14.4	15.3	15.5	14.7	14.4	16.1	17	17.5	17.4	16.8	13.6	12.8
Education	7.9	8.9	8.6	7.9	8.6	8.9	8.7	8.1	11.5	10.2	9.8	12.2	9.6	9.9	9.6	8.1	7.8	9.3	8.6	8	5.7
Engineering	17	17.9	19.6	21.5	15.7	14.7	17.3	18.5	14.1	13.4	13.4	9.3	13.6	11.6	13.5	10.1	13.2	9.4	10.8	13.2	17.3
English	1.2	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.7	1.7	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.3	1.7
Health Professional	10.8	11.8	12.9	12.9	13.5	12.6	12.4	11.8	9.4	10.4	8.8	10.2	10.9	12.4	12.7	13.2	12.2	12.6	12.5	13.3	11.9
History or Political Science	4.6	4.2	3.8	4.4	3.8	3.4	3.6	4.1	3.4	4.1	4	3.9	5	4.6	4.5	5.3	5.6	4.6	5.6	5.5	4.5
Humanities	2.4	2	1.8	2	1.9	2.4	2.2	1.8	2.4	2.4	2.8	3.2	2	1.9	2	3.2	3.2	2.8	3.1	3.3	3.8
Fine Arts	6	5.3	5.3	5	5.2	5.7	5	4.4	5	5.3	4.6	5.1	5	6.7	5.4	4.7	3.4	4.9	3.7	4.1	4.4
Mathematics or Statistics	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.9	1
Physical Sciences	2	2	2.9	2.8	2.3	2.8	2.4	2.6	2.3	2.4	2.2	2.3	2.6	2.4	2.3	2.5	2.8	2.4	2.8	2.9	3.3
Social Sciences	5.4	5.4	5.9	5.6	6.1	6.3	5.6	5.1	6.2	5.8	6.6	6.6	6.5	6.6	6.1	6.6	6.7	7.2	7.6	7.5	7.2
other Technical	3.2	3.7	3.6	3.5	3.8	4.2	4.7	5.3	5.9	4.6	6.8	5.8	4.4	3.1	3.3	2.7	2.7	3.2	2.8	2.7	2.1
other Non-technical	7.9	7.1	6.9	6.5	7.2	7.2	7.2	6.6	7.6	7.6	8.1	8.7	7.8	8.9	7.4	8.4	6.7	8.7	6.8	7.3	5.9
undecided	7.2	7.7	7.9	7.9	9.2	8.7	7.4	7.1	7.3	8.4	8.3	8.8	8.7	7.7	7.4	7.9	6.9	7.1	6.5	6.6	6.8
Where do you plan to live during the fall term?	12,764	11,480	10,438	10,330	13,043	12,040	10,705	10,432	14,693	11,188	17,298	14,596	16,069	13,487	15,204	15,813	12,470	16,232	11,635	11,370	9,667
With parents or relatives	25.2	23.7	19	16.4	18.2	17.6	20.7	16	15.1	13.8	19.2	17.8	15.3	16.2	20.9	20.6	16.7	15.4	15.6	12.6	12.4
Other private home, apartment, room	6.7	6.5	5.9	4.5	5.2	5	6.2	6.3	5.5	5	10.3	5.6	6.9	4.3	5	4.9	4.3	4.7	4.7	3.6	3.8
College dormitory	65.2	66.5	71.4	75.4	72.3	73.1	67.8	72.5	74.5	76.1	67.1	72.7	73.1	77.1	71.3	71.5	75.7	76.5	75.7	79.6	80.2
Fraternity or sorority house	0.6	1.2	1.8	2.4	2.4	2	2.6	1.4	1.7	2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.3	1.2	0.9	0.1
Other campus student housing	1.7	1.4	1.1	0.8	1.3	1.7	2	2.4	2.6	2.4	2.6	3.2	3.5	1.8	2.2	2.4	2.9	2.7	2.3	2.8	3.4
Other	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.7	1.3	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.5	1	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.1



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Full-time, First-time Freshmen - Total

Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
Chances that you will:																			
Be satisfied with your college	16,888	15,645	15,249	16,027	12,409	14,854	9,721	9,236	9,086	7,993	8,281	9,632	6,677	9,093	9,005	8,061	8,081	9,858	10,164
Very good chance	56.4	60.9	56.3	53.6	55.7	55	56.8	58	59.3	57.6	60.4	58.8	62.8	59.4	57.4	57.3	58	54.9	54.2
Some chance	40.2	36.3	40.1	42.5	40.5	41.4	40.4	38.6	37.5	38.7	36.3	37.7	34.1	36.2	38.8	39.4	38.7	41.4	42.1
Very little chance	2.7	2.2	2.7	3	2.8	2.7	2.1	2.6	2.5	2.7	2.5	2.7	2.4	3.3	2.8	2.5	2.6	2.7	3
No chance	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	1	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.7	1	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.1	1	0.8	0.7	0.9	0.8
Change career choice	16,934	16,039	15,711	16,466	12,717	15,042	9,932	9,415	9,259	8,203	8,443	9,761	6,769	9,201	9,192	8,242	8,245	10,013	10,332
Very good chance	14	17.1	13.7	11.8	12.3	11.7	12.7	12.1	11.9	12.4	12.2	11.4	11.8	12.2	12.7	13.8	14.5	14.1	14.4
Some chance	43.8	41.6	38.2	37.9	37	37.4	39	38.8	39.1	38.7	38.3	40	39.2	40	40.6	39.9	40.6	41.2	40.7
Very little chance	30.5	30.4	33.3	34.8	34.8	34.4	34.2	34.8	35.1	34.9	35.5	35.8	34.7	33.1	34.2	33.9	32.5	32.3	32.2
No chance	11.8	11	14.8	15.5	15.9	16.5	14.1	14.2	14	14	14	12.8	14.4	14.7	12.5	12.3	12.4	12.4	12.6
Change major field	16,999	16,111	15,727	16,516	12,744	15,070	9,952	9,425	9,290	8,241	8,449	9,796	6,755	9,251	9,220	8,271	8,273	10,035	10,356
Very good chance	14	17	15.3	12.8	13.1	12.2	13.7	13.2	12.9	13.5	13.6	12.4	13.5	14.2	14.3	15	15.9	15.8	16.1
Some chance	42.5	39.1	36.4	36	36.1	38.3	38.2	37.5	39.3	38.8	37.9	39.3	39.7	38.7	39.5	40.4	38.6	39.1	38.4
Very little chance	31.7	33.2	34.1	36.1	35.5	34.2	34.4	34.9	34.8	34.9	35.8	35.7	34.1	34.2	33.8	33.7	33.8	32.7	33.4
No chance	11.8	10.8	14.2	15.1	15.4	15.3	13.8	14.4	12.9	12.9	12.8	12.6	12.8	12.9	12.3	10.9	11.7	12.5	12.1
Communicate regularly with your professors	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very good chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Some chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very little chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Discuss course content with students outside of class	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very good chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Some chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very little chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Get a job to help pay for college expenses	0	0	0	0	0	15,034	9,837	9,356	9,215	8,133	8,377	9,706	6,721	9,203	9,138	8,216	8,216	9,973	10,295
Very good chance	0	0	0	0	0	38.9	42.8	37.8	37.4	36.3	38.5	38.3	36.7	34.1	35.5	34.9	35.2	35	33.4
Some chance	0	0	0	0	0	36	32.5	33.2	31.6	32.7	31.9	34.2	31.7	33.4	34.4	32.7	33.8	35.8	35.9
Very little chance	0	0	0	0	0	13.2	11.4	13.8	14.9	14.9	13.2	13.2	13.3	15.6	14.4	15.3	16.3	17.9	17.7
No chance	0	0	0	0	0	11.9	13.3	15.2	16.1	16	16.4	14.4	18.3	16.9	15.7	17.1	14.7	11.3	13
Get tutoring help in specific courses	16,803	0	0	0	12,562	14,945	9,826	9,300	9,152	8,064	8,333	9,682	6,707	9,137	9,057	8,165	8,154	9,918	10,245
Very good chance	6.6	0	0	0	6.7	7.7	9.5	11.7	10	10.9	10.3	8.6	10.2	10.9	13.1	13.3	12.4	12.8	12.2
Some chance	42.4	0	0	0	35.4	34.1	36	36.1	35.4	36.8	36	34.9	41.6	37.6	46.9	47	46.5	47	41
Very little chance	43.2	0	0	0	46.2	45.8	43	41.2	41.9	42	42.3	43.3	40.3	40.5	34.2	34.1	35.2	34.2	38.1
No chance	7.8	0	0	0	11.8	12.4	11.6	11	12.6	10.3	11.4	13.1	8	11	5.8	5.7	5.8	6	8.7
Have a roommate of different race/ethnicity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very good chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Some chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very little chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Join a social fraternity or sorority	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very good chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Some chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very little chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Make at least a "B" average	16,928	16,017	15,626	16,356	12,615	14,999	9,885	9,350	9,195	8,121	8,382	9,725	6,730	9,162	9,102	8,198	8,193	9,964	10,271
Very good chance	27.8	33.7	37.2	40.3	43.4	44.1	43.7	43.9	43.2	43.9	46.3	47	45.9	45.3	44	44.6	44.1	44.6	45.4
Some chance	62.3	57.7	55	52.4	50.2	49.8	50.5	49.7	50	49.7	47.9	46.9	49.2	48.3	49.8	49.2	50.5	49.7	49.4
Very little chance	9.2	8	7	6.4	5.7	5.5	5.3	5.7	6.2	5.8	5.3	5.3	4.5	5.7	5.7	5.5	4.8	5.3	4.9
No chance	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4
Need extra time to complete your degree requirements	16,861	15,908	15,544	16,284	12,529	14,950	9,808	9,294	9,161	8,074	8,342	9,695	6,711	9,135	9,056	8,167	8,167	9,930	10,257
Very good chance	5.1	5.8	5.7	5.2	5.1	5.7	6	5.7	6.1	6.9	8.4	6.7	6.4	9.3	8.6	8.9	9	9.9	9.8
Some chance	37.2	33.9	30.8	32.1	30.5	32.4	31.8	31.8	32.7	34.9	35.1	33.1	32.1	36	38.4	39.2	39.7	40.8	41.5
Very little chance	49	50.4	49.9	50.4	50.4	49.8	49.9	49.1	48.4	46.8	44.1	45.6	47.8	41.7	42.4	41.2	40.9	40.1	39.3
No chance	8.7	10	13.6	12.3	14	12.1	12.3	13.4	12.8	11.4	12.5	14.6	13.8	13	10.6	10.8	10.4	9.2	9.4



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Full-time, First-time Freshmen - Total

Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
Chances that you will:																			
Participate in a study abroad program	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very good chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Some chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very little chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Participate in student clubs/groups	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very good chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Some chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very little chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Participate in student government	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very good chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Some chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very little chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Participate in student protests or demonstrations	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,236	9,094	7,995	8,276	9,626	6,691	9,091	9,011	8,099	8,110	9,886	10,187	
Very good chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.8	3.5	4.2	3.2	3.8	2.9	3.2	4	4.2	5.7	4.7	7	
Some chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	18.2	18.9	22.8	17.1	18.9	19.1	18.5	21.8	21.8	24.7	25	27.7	
Very little chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	43.2	43.7	42.9	43.5	42.5	42.1	44.7	43.6	42.5	43.2	42.1	
No chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	34.4	29.3	36.7	33.8	35.5	36.1	29.5	30.3	27.1	27.2	23.2	
Participate in volunteer or community service work	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very good chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Some chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very little chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Play club, intramural, or recreational sports	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very good chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Some chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very little chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Play varsity/intercollegiate athletics	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very good chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Some chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very little chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seek personal counseling	16,862	15,903	15,521	16,231	12,414	14,840	9,747	9,229	9,077	8,002	8,270	9,606	6,657	9,064	9,006	8,104	8,089	9,856	10,194
Very good chance	6.9	6	5.7	5.1	5.3	4	4.8	5.2	4.5	5.1	4.8	4	4.8	3.9	4	3.8	3.5	3.5	3.4
Some chance	35.5	29.7	29.7	30.8	28.8	25.7	26.2	25.3	25.5	27.2	22.6	21.4	23.4	21.9	23.9	22.9	22.7	22.4	20.7
Very little chance	46.7	47.8	47.2	48.3	47.2	49.7	48.6	48.1	47.9	48	48.7	48.1	48.3	47	49.5	49.9	48.5	48.6	48.9
No chance	10.9	16.5	17.4	15.8	18.7	20.6	20.4	21.3	22.1	19.7	23.9	26.5	23.4	27.1	22.6	23.4	25.4	25.4	27
Socialize with someone of another racial/ethnic group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very good chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Some chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very little chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transfer to another college before graduating	16,829	15,524	15,377	16,206	12,466	14,880	9,730	9,233	9,102	7,998	8,274	9,640	6,692	9,095	9,007	8,084	8,099	9,864	10,179
Very good chance	9.4	10.7	10.7	11.1	10.6	11.1	7.5	7	6.8	6.9	7.7	6.7	5.5	8	8	6.4	6.8	6.5	6.9
Some chance	32.2	27.4	27.9	28.2	27.9	27.6	27.7	25.6	25.3	25	24.1	24.6	21.7	23.7	24.7	25	23.2	24.5	25.2
Very little chance	37.1	37.8	36	35.1	36.1	36.5	37.7	38.3	38.4	38.5	37.4	38.6	38.9	34.9	35.4	36.7	36.7	38.1	37.4
No chance	21.3	24.1	25.4	25.6	25.4	24.7	27.1	29.2	29.6	29.7	30.7	30	33.8	33.4	31.9	31.9	33.2	30.9	30.5
Work full time while attending college	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,718	6,730	9,165	9,099	8,200	8,191	9,971	10,287
Very good chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.6	5.2	5.6	4.9	5	4.3	3.6	3.5
Some chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11.1	11	11.8	12.5	11.9	11.6	11.8	11.5
Very little chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34.4	32	31.7	34.7	34	33.5	34.4	34.5
No chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	51.9	50.9	48	49.1	50.6	50.2	50.5
Work on a professor's research project	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very good chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Some chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very little chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No chance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



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Full-time, First-time Freshmen - Total

Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
Importance to you personally:																			
Improving my understanding of other countries and cultures	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Essential	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Somewhat important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not important	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Influencing social values	16,469	15,615	15,642	16,082	12,599	15,031	9,909	9,407	9,231	8,268	8,495	9,721	6,762	9,236	9,241	8,321	8,317	0	10,363
Essential	4.9	5.8	6.5	4.7	5.6	5.1	6.2	6.1	6.4	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.9	7.9	6	5.9	6.7	0	9.5
Very important	23.5	23.2	23.9	22.6	23.5	23.9	24.7	25.2	24.7	26.2	24.5	24.2	25	25.9	26.4	26.7	29.6	0	31
Somewhat important	50.7	49.1	48.4	48.6	48.4	50.4	49.2	47.1	47.9	48.8	47	48	49.3	46.6	48.4	49.3	47.3	0	43.4
Not important	20.9	21.8	21.2	24.1	22.5	20.5	19.9	21.6	21	18.3	21.8	21.1	19.8	19.6	19.2	18.1	16.4	0	16
Influencing the political structure	16,502	15,661	15,674	16,094	12,637	15,052	9,943	9,406	9,250	8,279	8,502	9,718	6,773	9,273	9,272	8,326	8,321	0	10,372
Essential	3.2	3.7	4.2	3.1	3.6	3.5	4.1	4.3	4.4	5.3	4.9	4.7	4.5	4.9	4.4	4.8	5.1	0	6.5
Very important	12.6	12.8	11.5	10.4	11.5	11.9	12.9	12.2	12.9	14.2	12.9	11.5	12.6	12.3	13.4	12.7	14.6	0	15.6
Somewhat important	45.4	44.4	43.3	41.4	41.8	44.4	44	41.7	43	46.5	43.7	44.6	45.3	43.3	46.5	45.6	44.6	0	43.9
Not important	38.8	39.2	41	45.1	43.2	40.2	39	41.7	39.7	34	38.5	39.2	37.6	39.5	35.8	36.9	35.7	0	34
Keeping up to date with political affairs	16,319	15,565	15,646	16,055	12,630	15,022	9,878	9,374	9,226	8,223	8,476	9,713	6,727	9,181	0	0	0	0	10,334
Essential	12.1	14.9	13.6	11.1	12.8	11.5	14	13.1	13.3	15.8	15.4	13.5	14.4	14.6	0	0	0	0	15.1
Very important	36.2	37.1	31.4	28.7	30.7	30.6	31.9	29.4	31.3	32.6	33.8	32.1	32.4	30.8	0	0	0	0	32.1
Somewhat important	41.2	38.5	41.4	44.3	41.4	43.7	41.2	41.6	40.7	39.8	38.2	40.9	39.6	39.7	0	0	0	0	39
Not important	10.5	9.6	13.7	16	15.1	14.2	12.9	15.9	14.6	11.7	12.6	13.4	13.6	14.9	0	0	0	0	13.7
Making a theoretical contribution to science	16,348	15,573	0	16,055	12,596	15,012	9,882	9,394	9,234	8,247	8,505	9,694	6,763	9,237	9,209	8,304	8,287	0	10,343
Essential	2.2	2.8	0	3.9	4.1	3.9	4.4	4.9	4.7	5	5.1	4.9	4.3	5.3	4.5	3.9	4.4	0	6.4
Very important	9.4	10.4	0	13.2	13.3	13.2	13.8	14.4	14.4	16.2	15.1	14.1	15.5	15.8	12.9	12.8	12.2	0	14.7
Somewhat important	28.5	29.6	0	33.8	31.9	33.9	33.9	34.7	35.2	36.5	35.1	34.3	37	34.7	34.9	34.3	32.9	0	33.4
Not important	59.9	57.2	0	49.1	50.7	49	47.9	46	45.7	42.3	44.7	46.7	43.2	44.2	47.7	49	50.5	0	45.5
Obtaining recognition from my colleagues for contributions to my special field	16,521	15,694	0	16,133	12,663	15,074	9,946	9,446	9,267	8,304	8,526	9,741	6,777	9,282	9,303	8,335	8,339	0	10,389
Essential	8.3	8.9	0	9.5	11.8	11.5	15	15.7	17.1	16.8	17.1	17.3	17.5	18.5	16.5	16	18.5	0	16.3
Very important	30.3	29.6	0	32.1	33.5	35.9	36.1	37.8	38	40.5	39.5	40.8	42.9	39.8	41.9	42.9	42.9	0	41.9
Somewhat important	47.5	45.1	0	45.6	42.3	42.1	39.6	38.4	37	35.3	36.5	35.4	33.8	34.8	35.2	35.3	32.9	0	35
Not important	13.8	16.5	0	12.8	12.4	10.6	9.3	8	7.9	7.4	7	6.5	5.8	6.9	6.4	5.8	5.8	0	6.9
Participating in a community action program	16,259	15,508	0	16,009	12,579	14,993	9,844	9,356	9,212	8,200	8,469	9,694	6,727	9,183	9,149	8,257	8,242	0	10,314
Essential	4.2	5.5	0	5.2	5.9	5.1	5.6	4.8	4.7	5	4.3	4.2	3.6	4.4	3.9	3	3.5	0	4.6
Very important	21	23.3	0	24.1	26.1	24.8	25.1	22.3	22.7	24	21	19.4	20.3	20.2	18.8	16.7	17.8	0	19.3
Somewhat important	56.9	54.7	0	53.6	52.7	53.8	53.3	54.6	53	52.9	52.5	54.5	53.5	53.3	54.4	53.8	52.5	0	49.6
Not important	17.9	16.5	0	17.1	15.4	16.3	16	18.3	19.6	18.1	22.2	22	22.6	22.1	23	26.5	26.3	0	26.6
Raising a family	16,497	15,714	15,642	16,140	12,667	15,068	9,951	9,435	9,260	8,288	8,539	9,738	6,782	9,278	9,273	8,336	0	0	10,389
Essential	21.5	25.2	19	18.1	20.6	19	21.5	24	26	24.7	28.7	29.7	28.4	33.8	32.7	29.1	0	0	31.4
Very important	38	40.4	35.7	36.9	36.1	37.9	38.8	38	39	38.7	37.8	39.1	39	38.2	38	38.5	0	0	37
Somewhat important	30.3	25.4	31.2	32	30.2	30.3	28.7	27.6	25.5	27.4	25.6	23.9	24.5	21.4	22.2	24.7	0	0	22.9
Not important	10.1	8.9	14.1	13	13	12.8	11	10.4	9.6	9.2	7.9	7.4	8	6.7	7.1	7.8	0	0	8.7
Writing original works(poems, novels, short stories, etc.)	16,362	15,578	0	16,080	12,621	15,051	9,911	9,402	9,240	8,250	8,512	9,733	6,766	9,238	9,220	8,303	8,300	0	10,345
Essential	4.6	4.4	0	4.2	4.5	4.1	5	4.1	4.2	4.1	3.9	4.3	3.7	3.7	4.1	3.7	4.4	0	5.3
Very important	9.9	9.4	0	9	8.5	9.2	9.4	8.2	8.3	8.7	8.2	7.8	7.9	8.1	8.1	7.8	8.8	0	8.7
Somewhat important	28.2	25.3	0	24.6	24.5	25.4	27	26	24.4	25.2	24	24.2	25.6	25.7	22.9	24	25.2	0	22.3
Not important	57.4	60.9	0	62.2	62.5	61.3	58.6	61.6	63	62	63.9	63.8	62.8	62.5	64.8	64.4	61.6	0	63.7
How would you characterize your political views?	16,849	16,103	15,891	16,828	12,813	15,355	10,240	9,583	9,465	8,711	8,671	9,761	6,861	9,424	10,141	8,909	8,919	10,677	10,457
Far left	2.7	1.9	1.8	2	1.6	1.8	1.3	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.3	1.5	1.7	1.8	1.8
Liberal	37.5	32.5	32	29.8	29.6	26.6	25.4	23.5	22.7	20.8	17.3	19.2	19.6	18.4	20.8	21.8	22.3	22.4	22.5
Middle of the road	44.2	48.1	50	52.8	52.7	54.7	54.7	55.2	55.2	54.4	53.7	56.4	54.2	50.6	52.5	51.2	51.6	50.5	49.1
Conservative	15.1	16.9	15.7	14.7	15.2	16.1	17.8	19	19.5	22	26.6	22.2	23.6	27.5	23.8	23.8	22.8	23.5	24.8
Far right	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.1	1.3	1.2	0.9	1	1.9	1.6	1.7	1.6	1.9	1.8



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Full-time, First-time Freshmen - Total

Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
Personal Views:																			
A national health care plan is needed to cover everybody's medical costs																			
Agree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,139	9,367	9,275	8,438	8,545	9,709	6,739	9,217	9,364	8,624	0	0	10,241
Agree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	18.1	17.5	15.7	13.6	11	12.7	12.1	17.6	11.9	12.7	0	0	23.6
Disagree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	39	39.6	37.1	34.7	38	38.8	36.3	40.8	41.4	0	0	47.1
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	28.1	27.6	28.6	29.7	33.7	32.8	33.5	29.2	33.3	33.2	0	0	22.1
	0	0	0	0	0	0	14.8	16	16.1	19.7	20.6	16.5	15.6	16.9	14	12.7	0	0	7.2
Abortion should be legal[ized]																			
Agree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,148	9,507	9,342	8,498	8,609	9,735	6,748	9,294	9,414	8,666	8,702	10,402	10,318
Agree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	25.9	24.6	22	21.2	24.1	24.5	24	21	25.3	28.1	27.3	27.2	38.8
Disagree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	31.1	33.8	33.8	34.1	32.1	33.5	34.1	29.9	34	33.9	35.9	34.7	30.6
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	17.6	18.6	19.4	19.1	18	18.6	18.6	17.9	17.6	17	16.4	17	12.8
	0	0	0	0	0	0	25.3	23.1	24.8	25.6	25.9	23.5	23.3	31.2	23.1	21	20.4	21.1	17.7
Addressing global warming should be a federal priority																			
Agree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Agree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disagree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Affirmative action in college admissions should be abolished																			
Agree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Agree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disagree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
College officials have the right to ban persons with extreme views from speaking on campus																			
Agree strongly	16,948	16,016	15,642	15,966	12,441	14,618	9,775	9,211	9,077	8,198	8,426	9,611	6,636	9,013	9,286	8,464	0	0	0
Agree somewhat	6.5	6.5	5.1	3.5	4.8	4.5	4.5	4.7	4.8	4.7	5.1	5	4.3	5.3	4.1	4.6	0	0	0
Disagree somewhat	19.4	19.4	17.4	16.7	17.8	18.9	18.5	20.2	19.9	20.5	19.7	18.2	19.7	18.3	21.2	21.2	0	0	0
Disagree strongly	33.5	32	31.9	34	31.8	35.1	33.4	33	32.8	33.6	32.4	32.7	32.9	30.4	33.5	32.3	0	0	0
	40.6	42.1	45.6	45.8	45.6	41.4	43.6	42.2	42.5	41.2	42.8	44.1	43.1	46	41.2	41.9	0	0	0
Colleges should prohibit racist/sexist speech on campus																			
Agree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Agree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disagree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dissent is a critical component of the political process																			
Agree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Agree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disagree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Federal military spending should be increased																			
Agree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,745	6,747	9,193	9,441	8,679	8,697	10,377	10,315
Agree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16.4	17.7	16.5	10.3	11.5	8.9	7.2	6.1
Disagree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27.3	27.1	26.1	24.8	23.8	22.2	21.9	19.3
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	33.3	34.8	36.5	38.4	42.9	43.4	46.3
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23.3	22	22.6	28.4	26.3	25.9	27.5	28.3
It is important to have laws prohibiting homosexual relationships																			
Agree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	14,972	10,006	9,430	9,255	8,408	8,544	9,683	6,710	9,178	9,315	8,570	8,634	10,281	10,296
Agree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	17.1	20.4	20.6	20.5	22.7	22.3	20.3	20.1	26.5	20.6	24.9	25.2	21.4	18.4
Disagree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	26.8	27.9	26.3	25.2	26.3	24.2	24.2	24.4	24	25.7	25.5	25.4	25.3	24.7
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	37.6	33.5	34.7	35.5	32.2	32.6	33.9	35.4	29.9	33.1	30.3	30.1	32.1	34.5
	0	0	0	0	0	18.6	18.2	18.4	18.8	18.9	20.9	21.6	20	19.6	20.6	19.3	19.2	21.2	22.3
Marijuana should be legalized																			
Agree strongly	16,906	16,050	15,799	16,448	12,798	15,104	10,088	9,495	9,323	8,463	8,608	9,733	6,749	9,276	9,402	8,649	8,717	10,384	10,345
Agree somewhat	15.1	18.1	18.7	19.7	18.3	18.9	21.4	19.2	15.9	11.5	9.2	7.2	6	5.7	6	5.8	5.3	6	5.2
Disagree somewhat	26.3	27.7	28	27.4	27.4	28.7	29.6	29.1	28.3	24.1	20.8	19	18.2	14.6	16	14.3	13.2	14.6	13
Disagree strongly	22.4	20.7	21.2	23	23.1	24.5	22.4	23.3	24.6	26.1	25.2	27.3	26	21.8	25.5	24.6	22.9	22.5	24.2
	36.2	33.5	32.1	29.9	31.2	27.9	26.5	28.4	31.1	38.2	44.8	46.5	49.9	58	52.5	55.3	58.6	57	57.5
Only volunteers should serve in the Armed Forces																			
Agree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,273	10,224
Agree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35.5	36.4
Disagree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35.5	36.5
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12.9	12.6



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Sample University	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	
Personal Views:																						
A national health care plan is needed to cover everybody's medical costs																						
Agree strongly	23.5	26.4	31.1	28.2	23.3	23.4	22.3	20.8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23.9	25.2	27.4	27	0	19	
Agree somewhat	47.6	47.1	44.5	43.6	40.7	43.7	44	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	47.2	44.8	44.9	40.4	0	32.1	
Disagree somewhat	22.6	20.7	17.4	18.7	22	21.4	23.4	24.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	22.4	20.4	20.4	0	22.4	
Disagree strongly	6.3	5.8	6.9	9.4	14	11.5	10.2	10.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.9	7.6	7.3	12.2	0	26.4	
Abortion should be legal[ized]																						
Agree strongly	39.3	38.5	42.7	38.3	33.8	33	28.8	26.1	24.2	23.7	24.5	24.1	22.9	21.8	22.7	24.2	24	24.5	26.5	23.5	0	
Agree somewhat	28.1	29.2	25.7	26.5	27.9	28.1	28.7	27.4	29.8	30.1	30.4	29.7	30	30.2	29.2	30	30.1	30.6	30.5	30.3	0	
Disagree somewhat	13.8	12.7	11.9	13.2	14	14.4	15.9	16.4	17.8	18.1	17.8	19.3	19.4	19.3	19	18.9	18.9	18.8	18	18.2	0	
Disagree strongly	18.8	19.6	19.8	21.9	24.2	24.5	26.6	30.1	28.3	28	27.2	26.9	27.7	28.8	29.1	27	26.9	26.1	24.9	28	0	
Addressing global warming should be a federal priority																						
Agree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11.143	0	9.061	
Agree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40.7	0	37.5	
Disagree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18.8	0	23.6	
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	15.9	
Affirmative action in college admissions should be abolished																						
Agree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	24.2	25.3	28.9	0	23.5	20.7	18.8	18.4	22.5	20.8	18.4	18.8	17	16.8	0	16.6	
Agree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	31.2	29.5	30.3	0	30.6	32.5	32	32.9	32.5	31.7	31.4	31.1	32.1	32.9	0	34.9	
Disagree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	34.7	34.8	30.5	0	36.4	37.4	39.8	40.2	35.8	38.1	39.7	40.5	42.2	42.3	0	39.3	
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	9.9	10.4	10.3	0	9.5	9.4	9.4	8.5	9.2	9.4	10.5	9.6	8.7	8	0	9.2	
College officials have the right to ban persons with extreme views from speaking on campus																						
Agree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9.6	0	10.5	9.6	10.2	10	0	
Agree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34.7	0	32.4	32.7	31.4	32.9	0	
Disagree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37.8	0	34.8	35.6	35.6	36.2	0	
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17.9	0	22.3	22.2	22.8	20.9	0	
Colleges should prohibit racist/sexist speech on campus																						
Agree strongly	0	0	26.2	27.4	25.3	27.6	28.6	27.8	25.4	25.7	26.2	26.1	24.7	24.1	23.9	24.3	0	0	0	0	35.7	0
Agree somewhat	0	0	30.5	31.6	31.8	32.8	33.2	34.2	32.8	34	34.4	34.6	34.7	33.8	34.1	34.9	0	0	0	0	33.5	0
Disagree somewhat	0	0	26.6	25.7	28	25.9	24.9	25	27.4	27.4	26.7	26.6	27.8	29.3	28.8	27.6	0	0	0	0	21.3	0
Disagree strongly	0	0	16.7	15.3	15	13.8	13.3	13	14.5	12.9	12.7	12.7	12.9	12.8	13.3	13.2	0	0	0	0	9.5	0
Dissent is a critical component of the political process																						
Agree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13.2	12.5	10.8	11.2	10.6	0	
Agree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	49.7	49.1	49.8	50.8	48	0	
Disagree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34.2	35.1	36.4	34.9	36.9	0	
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.9	3.3	3	3.1	4.5	0	
Federal military spending should be increased																						
Agree strongly	5.6	5.3	5	6.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10.6	9.8	8.7	8.3	9	8.4	8.3	0	0	
Agree somewhat	18.5	20.2	15.4	20.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38.6	34.2	30.4	31.4	28.6	28	25.7	0	0	
Disagree somewhat	43.8	46	44	47	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	42.2	43.5	45.3	43.7	44.3	44.6	45.1	0	0	
Disagree strongly	32.1	28.5	35.5	26.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8.6	12.5	15.6	16.6	18.1	18.9	20.8	0	0	
It is important to have laws prohibiting homosexual relationships																						
Agree strongly	17.7	16.2	13.3	15.6	13.6	11.6	15.3	14.4	14	12.5	11.7	11	9.8	11.6	14.6	12.7	12.4	10.3	10.7	0	0	
Agree somewhat	23.4	21.6	19.2	19.8	18.4	16.6	18.2	18.3	16.2	16.4	15.6	14.8	16.5	16.1	16.3	16.2	16	15.1	14.2	0	0	
Disagree somewhat	33.8	33.9	33.1	31.6	31.3	29.7	29.9	30.1	29.8	30.2	31.9	30.6	30.9	30.1	27.3	27.1	26.2	27.3	26.1	0	0	
Disagree strongly	25	28.3	34.4	33	36.8	42.1	36.6	37.2	40	40.8	40.8	43.6	42.9	42.2	41.8	44	45.4	47.2	49	0	0	
Marijuana should be legalized																						
Agree strongly	5.9	6.8	8.2	10.2	10.9	11.6	9.9	9.6	11	10.2	10.5	12.4	11.7	10.9	11.2	10.4	10.7	11.6	13.6	14.9	0	
Agree somewhat	13.6	14.9	16.9	18.5	21.1	22	21.4	21.9	22.3	22.1	23.9	23.9	25.3	25.6	24.6	24.6	23.5	25.3	26.5	27.1	0	
Disagree somewhat	21.7	23	22.4	21.9	22.5	23.2	22.3	24.1	24.5	26.8	27	26.8	28.8	29.2	28.4	30.1	28.5	27.5	26.8	27.1	0	
Disagree strongly	58.8	55.3	52.5	49.4	45.5	43.2	46.4	44.3	42.2	41	38.5	36.9	34.1	34.3	35.8	34.9	37.4	35.6	33	30.8	0	
Only volunteers should serve in the Armed Forces																						
Agree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25.6	26.5	28.5	29.1	25.7	0	
Agree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36.6	35.5	36.2	35.7	35	0	
Disagree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	27.7	26.3	25.7	26.4	0	
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9.8	10.3	9.1	9.5	12.9	0	



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Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
Personal Views:																			
Racial discrimination is no longer a major problem in America																			
Agree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	700
Agree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36.6
Disagree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17.7
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8.1
Realistically, an individual can do little to bring about changes in our society																			
Agree strongly	17,115	16,190	15,725	16,209	12,600	15,072	10,094	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,317	0	0	0	0
Agree somewhat	10.2	10	8.9	9	12.8	10.1	10.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.8	0	0	0	0
Disagree somewhat	32.3	30.9	30.7	33.7	34.5	33.4	32.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	0	0	0	0
Disagree strongly	34.5	31.6	34	36.4	33.3	37.2	36.7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38.7	0	0	0	0
Disagree strongly	23.1	27.4	26.4	20.9	19.5	19.2	20.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25.5	0	0	0	0
Same-sex couples should have the right to legal marital status																			
Agree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Agree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disagree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Students from disadvantaged social backgrounds should be given preferential treatment in college admissions																			
Agree strongly	16,887	15,916	15,576	16,070	12,614	14,850	9,924	9,374	9,188	8,343	8,499	9,675	6,700	9,110	0	0	0	0	0
Agree somewhat	4.3	5.4	5.2	4.4	5.3	4.3	4.4	5	4.8	4.8	4	3.5	3.4	6.3	0	0	0	0	0
Disagree somewhat	31.3	32.9	32.6	29.2	29.5	29	28	28.1	28.7	29.9	27.8	26.2	27.3	29.4	0	0	0	0	0
Disagree strongly	41.8	38.9	38.6	40.1	37.9	40.2	39.3	36.8	38.3	37.1	38.5	39.8	40.3	37.6	0	0	0	0	0
Disagree strongly	22.5	22.9	23.6	26.2	27.4	26.4	28.4	30.1	28.1	28.2	29.7	30.5	29	26.6	0	0	0	0	0
The chief benefit of a college education is that it increase one's earning power																			
Agree strongly	17,097	16,210	15,699	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,309	8,535	8,636	10,273	10,260
Agree somewhat	8.7	12.4	11.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20.2	19.6	18.9	18.1	19.5
Disagree somewhat	46	44.4	41.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50.1	49.7	47.6	48.8	48.6
Disagree strongly	31.5	30.4	32.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23.1	24.1	25.3	25.5	24.7
Disagree strongly	13.9	12.8	15.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.5	6.6	8.2	7.6	7.2
The death penalty should be abolished																			
Agree strongly	17,014	0	0	0	0	0	9,516	9,337	8,523	8,628	9,756	6,771	9,260	9,431	8,679	8,734	10,391	10,310	
Agree somewhat	35.2	0	0	0	0	0	14.8	14.2	12.9	11	10.9	10.2	11.8	7.7	7.3	7.6	7.4	7.8	
Disagree somewhat	22.7	0	0	0	0	0	15.9	16.4	17.1	15.2	14.9	15.3	13.2	13.5	13	13.2	12.5	12.4	
Disagree strongly	24.1	0	0	0	0	0	31.4	31.8	32.8	31.5	35	34.9	30.1	33	32.2	33.4	33.7	33.8	
Disagree strongly	18.1	0	0	0	0	0	37.9	37.7	37.1	42.2	39.3	39.6	44.9	45.8	47.4	45.9	46.4	46	
The federal government is not doing enough to control environmental pollution																			
Agree strongly	17,170	16,319	16,043	16,902	13,058	15,356	10,286	9,680	9,458	8,604	8,673	9,769	6,773	9,245	9,467	8,709	8,724	10,404	10,346
Agree somewhat	52.4	48.7	40.9	32.5	31.2	28.1	26	23.1	21.1	26.8	24	24.8	26.8	24.9	24	24.1	29.6	35.8	45.1
Disagree somewhat	39.1	41.4	47.1	50.5	50.7	53.6	54.5	56.5	57	48.1	48.8	51	50.6	47.4	49.9	50	49.4	47	41.3
Disagree strongly	7.1	8.7	10.6	14.8	15.4	16.2	17.4	18.1	18.9	21.3	23.2	20.9	19.8	23	22.6	23.1	18.5	15.1	11.9
Disagree strongly	1.4	1.2	1.4	2.2	2.8	2.1	2.1	2.3	2.9	3.8	4.1	3.3	2.8	4.7	3.5	2.7	2.4	2.2	1.8
The federal government should do more to control the sale of handguns																			
Agree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,254
Agree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37.4
Disagree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41.5
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14.7
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.5
The federal government should raise taxes to reduce the deficit																			
Agree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,438	8,665	8,695	10,376	10,317
Agree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.3	4.3	4.2	6	5
Disagree somewhat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22.3	22.6	22.9	27.1	26.8
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45	46.9	47	43.5	46.1
Disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28.4	26.1	25.9	23.4	22.1
There is too much concern in the courts for the rights of criminals																			
Agree strongly	17,014	16,100	15,498	16,563	12,882	15,164	10,179	9,544	9,418	8,568	8,655	9,774	6,770	0	0	0	8,721	10,395	10,330
Agree somewhat	15.3	21.4	18.1	17.6	22.4	26.6	31.3	30.2	27.8	31.9	35.4	36.7	33.3	0	0	0	30.7	31.3	29.5
Disagree somewhat	32.6	30.8	32	33.6	33.2	33.3	33.7	36	36.7	37.4	35.5	36.5	38.1	0	0	0	40.2	39.7	40.2
Disagree strongly	37.7	32.2	35	34.3	30.6	29.4	25.5	25.8	27.2	24	22	19.9	22.8	0	0	0	22.5	22.6	24.2
Disagree strongly	14.4	15.5	14.9	14.4	13.7	10.8	9.5	8	8.3	6.7	7.2	6.8	5.8	0	0	0	6.5	6.4	6.1



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Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
Your probable career/occupation*: disaggregated	16,501	15,163	0	0	0	14,930	10,007	9,361	9,216	8,403	8,529	9,613	6,700	9,318	9,777	8,589	8,616	10,303	10,327
Accountant or actuary	2.5	2.6	0	0	0	4.2	4.2	4	3.7	3.9	4.2	4.5	3.5	4.8	5	4.7	4	4.2	4
Actor or entertainer	0.7	0.6	0	0	0	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.9	1	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.8	1	0.9
Architect	1.7	2.3	0	0	0	1.8	2.1	2.2	2.4	2.6	2.3	1.3	1	1.6	1.9	2	1.8	2.3	2.5
Artist	2	1.4	0	0	0	1.8	1.9	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.4	1.6	2	1.1	1.2	1.5	1.1	1.5	1.4
Business (clerical)	1.3	1.5	0	0	0	1.2	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.4
Business executive (management, administrator)	4.1	4	0	0	0	6.1	6	7.1	7.4	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.8	8.7	10.6	10.5	10.8	10.9	9.7
Business owner or proprietor	0.8	1	0	0	0	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.9	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.3	2	2.9	2.7	3.1	3.2	2.9
Business salesperson or buyer	0.6	0.6	0	0	0	1	1.1	1.4	1.3	1.1	1	0.7	0.6	1.1	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.3	1.5
Clergy (minister, priest)	0.2	0.2	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0	0.1
Clergy (other religious)	0.1	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0	0.1	0	0.1	0	0.1	0
Clinical psychologist	1.4	1.1	0	0	0	1.1	1.1	0.9	1.1	0.8	0.7	1	0.9	0.9	1.2	1.4	2	1.9	1.8
College administrator/staff	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
College teacher	0.9	0.5	0	0	0	0.4	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.5
Computer programmer or analyst	1.4	1.3	0	0	0	2.1	2.6	3.2	3.9	5	7	8.8	6.9	4.3	3.6	2.6	2.2	2.1	1.9
Conservationist or forester	2	2	0	0	0	1.6	1.6	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.5
Dentist (including orthodontist)	1.1	1.7	0	0	0	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.1	0.7	0.7	0.6	1	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.8
Dietitian or home economist	1	0.7	0	0	0	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2
Engineer	7.9	8	0	0	0	11.7	12.9	14.8	17.6	19.1	21.7	20.6	20.4	21.7	17.1	16	14.9	15.1	15.1
Farmer or rancher	0.7	0.7	0	0	0	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3
Foreign service worker (including diplomat)	0.5	0.4	0	0	0	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.6	0.9	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.2
Homemaker (full-time)	0.4	0.4	0	0	0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.2	0	0	0	0
Interior decorator (including designer)	1.1	0.8	0	0	0	0.7	0.9	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.6
Interpreter (translator)	0.5	0.4	0	0	0	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3
Lab technician or hygienist	1.1	1.5	0	0	0	1.5	1.5	1.2	1	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.2
Law enforcement officer	1.2	1.6	0	0	0	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Lawyer (attorney) or judge	5.3	5.6	0	0	0	4.2	4.4	3.9	3.9	4.2	3.9	4	4.6	3.7	3.9	4.2	5.2	5.8	5.9
Military service (career)	4.8	5.8	0	0	0	6	7.5	7.8	7.9	7.6	7.5	5.2	9.6	8.1	7.1	7.6	6.2	4	3.9
Musician (performer, composer)	1	1.2	0	0	0	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.5	1.1	1.2	0.9	1	1.1	0.9	1.3	1
Nurse	2.9	4.5	0	0	0	4.1	3.2	3.9	3.1	3.1	2.2	2.7	2.5	2.2	1.9	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.5
Optometrist	0.2	0.3	0	0	0	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.4
Pharmacist	0.9	1.3	0	0	0	1.3	1.4	1.2	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.7	0.9	1.5	0.9	1.1	1.1	1.5	1.7
Physician	4.3	5.2	0	0	0	4	4.2	3.7	3.5	3.8	3.8	4.3	4.7	4.9	4.4	4.9	4.5	4.3	4.7
Policymaker/government	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
School counselor	0.4	0.4	0	0	0	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3
School principal or superintendent	0	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1
Scientific researcher	3.1	2.8	0	0	0	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.1	2.1	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.9	1.9	2	2.1
Social, welfare or recreation worker	2.8	2.4	0	0	0	2.2	1.8	1.4	1.5	1	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7
Statistician	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Therapist (physical, occupational, speech)	2	2.5	0	0	0	3.1	2.7	2.8	2.4	2.1	2	2.1	2.5	2	2	2.1	2.2	2	2.2
Teacher or administrator (elementary)	5.9	4.6	0	0	0	4.2	3.6	3.2	3.4	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.3	2.2	3.3	2.9	3.6	4.1	3.4
Teacher or administrator (secondary)	7.1	5.3	0	0	0	3.3	2.8	2.1	2	1.5	1.5	2	1.6	1.8	2.8	2.4	3	2.9	2.5
Veterinarian	1.6	2.4	0	0	0	1.9	2	1.9	1.6	1.8	1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1	0.9	1.1
Writer or journalist	2.1	1.8	0	0	0	2.3	2.7	2.5	2.4	2	2.3	2.4	2.1	1.7	2	2.2	2.6	2.7	2.8
Skilled trades	0.4	0.5	0	0	0	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.3
Other	6.3	5.4	0	0	0	5.4	5.3	5.8	5.2	5.3	5	4.8	4.3	5.9	5.3	5	5.5	5.6	6.3
Undecided	13.3	12.4	0	0	0	9.7	9.4	9.5	8.8	9.2	8.7	9.5	8.9	8	8.8	10.5	11.4	11.3	11.8



The Freshmen Survey Trends Report: 1971 to 2010

Full-time, First-time Freshmen - Total

Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
Your probable undergraduate field*: disaggregated																			
Ethnic Studies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Geography	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1
Political Science (gov't, international relations)	2.1	2.4	2.9	2.7	2.6	2.4	2.7	2.2	2.1	2.5	2.4	2.4	3.4	2.7	2.8	3.4	3.3	3.8	3.9
Psychology	4	3.2	3	3.2	3	2.6	2.3	2.2	2.3	2	1.9	2.2	2	2.4	2.9	3.7	4.4	4.4	4.2
Social Work	2.3	1.8	1.8	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.3	1	0.9	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5
Sociology	1.4	1	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4
Women Studies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
other Social Science	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
Building Trades	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0	0	0.1	0	0	0	0
Data Processing or Computer Programming	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.9	1	1.2	1.5	1.7	2.6	3.3	2.7	1.5	1.6	1.1	0.7	0.5	0.5
Drafting or Design	0	0	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1
Electronics	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0	0.1	0.1
Mechanics	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0	0.1	0	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0	0
other Technical	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0	0
Agriculture	1.4	1.9	1.8	2	2	1.9	1.5	1.2	1.4	1.3	1.4	1	0.8	1.2	1.4	1.2	1.2	0.9	0.7
Communications (radio, TV, etc.)	1.3	0.9	1	1	1.4	1.5	1.7	1.9	1.8	2.1	2	2.2	1.9	2.1	1.9	2.1	1.9	2.5	2.1
Computer Science	1	1.1	0.8	1	1.2	1.2	1.5	2	2.7	3.1	4.5	5.6	4.9	2.8	2.2	1.5	1.6	1.8	1.4
Forestry	1.4	1.4	1.6	1.5	1.3	1	1.4	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2	0	0.1	0.1
Law Enforcement	0	0	1	1.1	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.4	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.9	0.6	0.9	0.7	0.7
Military Science	1.5	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.9	0.6	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2
other field	4.9	4.4	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.9
undecided	2.6	5	4.4	3.8	5.6	4.8	5.3	5	5	5.1	4.9	5.2	6.1	4.4	5.4	7.1	7.1	7.4	7.7



The Freshmen Survey Trends Report: 1971 to 2010

Full-time, First-time Freshmen - Total

Sample University	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Your probable undergraduate field*: disaggregated																					
Ethnic Studies	0.1	0	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Geography	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Political Science (gov't, international relations)	3.6	3.2	2.8	3.3	2.8	2.5	2.5	2.8	2.4	2.8	2.9	2.8	3.6	3.2	2.9	3.6	3.7	3.1	3.6	3.5	3.1
Psychology	3.6	3.8	3.9	3.9	4.2	4.3	3.8	3.4	3.9	3.8	4.5	4.4	4.3	4.2	3.9	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.8	4.8	4.5
Social Work	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5
Sociology	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.5
Women Studies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
other Social Science	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.4
Building Trades	0	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Data Processing or Computer Programming	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.8	1.1	1.1	0.9	1.8	1.3	1	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.4
Drafting or Design	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Electronics	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0
Mechanics	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0	0.1	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0	0.1	0	0	0.1
other Technical	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Agriculture	0.7	0.5	0.8	1	1.4	1.1	1.4	1.6	1	1.4	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.9	0.6	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0
Communications (radio, TV, etc.)	2.2	1.8	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.7	2.1	2.6	2.8	1.7	2.1	1.5	2	1.6	1.7	1.4	1.1	1.5
Computer Science	1.6	1.7	1.6	2	2.1	2.2	2.7	3.2	3.8	2.9	4.1	3.3	2.4	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.3	1	1.3	0.8
Forestry	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0
Law Enforcement	1.1	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.3	0.9	1.5	1	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.5	0.6
Military Science	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.4
other field	1.3	1	1.1	1	1.1	1	1.3	1	1.1	1.5	1.6	1.5	2	2.2	1.7	1.8	1.4	2.4	1.3	2.1	1.4
undecided	7.2	7.7	7.9	7.9	9.2	8.7	7.4	7.1	7.3	8.4	8.3	8.8	8.7	7.7	7.4	7.9	6.9	7.1	6.5	6.6	6.8

Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
Father's occupation: disaggregated	16,546	15,262	0	0	0	14,880	10,004	9,386	9,256	8,384	8,507	9,646	6,684	9,382	9,777	8,620	8,686	10,357	10,421
Accountant or actuary	2.6	2.3	0	0	0	2.5	2.7	2.7	2.2	2.1	2.6	2.8	2.5	2.4	2.6	2.9	2.9	2.6	2.8
Actor or entertainer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Architect	0.5	0.4	0	0	0	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.6	1	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.9
Artist	0.2	0.2	0	0	0	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4
Business (clerical)	1.3	1.5	0	0	0	1.1	1	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.5
Business executive (management, administrator)	14.5	15.7	0	0	0	14.2	15.2	14.6	16.1	16.4	15.6	15.2	15.8	14.9	15.9	15.2	15.7	15.7	15
Business owner or proprietor	7.9	7.5	0	0	0	7.8	7.2	6.8	7	7.1	7.6	7.4	7	7.8	8.6	8.8	9.6	8.7	9.1
Business salesperson or buyer	6.5	6.5	0	0	0	6.6	6.8	6.3	6.6	5.8	5.5	6.2	5.6	5.8	6.1	5.4	6	5.6	5.2
Clergy (minister, priest)	0.7	0.6	0	0	0	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.6
Clergy (other religious)	0	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Clinical psychologist	0	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
College administrator/staff	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
College teacher	0.8	0.9	0	0	0	0.9	0.9	1	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.1	1.4	1.3	1.3	1	1.3	1.3	1.3
Computer programmer or analyst	0.5	0.5	0	0	0	1	1.2	1.1	1.4	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.1	1.9	2	1.8	2.4	2.4	2.6
Conservationist or forester	0.3	0.3	0	0	0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Dentist (including orthodontist)	0.5	0.6	0	0	0	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8
Dietitian or home economist	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0	0	0
Engineer	9.3	9.9	0	0	0	9.8	10.1	11.2	10.5	10.5	11.1	10.6	10.8	9.9	10.8	10.6	10.4	10.2	10.1
Farmer or rancher	4.2	4	0	0	0	3.7	2.5	1.9	2.4	2	2.6	3	1.7	3	2.6	2.7	2.3	2	1.7
Foreign service worker (including diplomat)	0.2	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Homemaker (full-time)	0.2	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Interior decorator (including designer)	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	0	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0	0	0.1
Interpreter (translator)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lab technician or hygienist	0.5	0.4	0	0	0	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3
Law enforcement officer	1.2	1	0	0	0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	0.9	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.4	1.5	1.3	1.4
Lawyer (attorney) or judge	1.2	1.4	0	0	0	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.6	1.8	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.7	2.2	2.3	2.5	2.2
Military service (career)	3.2	3.1	0	0	0	3.5	3.7	3.5	3.7	4.2	3.8	3.3	3.3	2.9	3.3	3.6	3.2	3.1	2.9
Musician (performer, composer)	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.1	0	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
Nurse	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
Optometrist	0.2	0.2	0	0	0	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Pharmacist	0.4	0.5	0	0	0	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.7
Physician	1.2	1.5	0	0	0	1.4	1.8	1.4	1.9	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.9	1.6	2	2.5	2.2	2.1	2.2
Policymaker/government	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
School counselor	0.2	0.1	0	0	0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
School principal or superintendent	0.9	0.8	0	0	0	0.7	0.6	0.9	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.7
Scientific researcher	0.9	0.7	0	0	0	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.8	1	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.7
Social, welfare or recreation worker	0.3	0.3	0	0	0	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5
Statistician	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	0	0.1	0	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.1
Therapist (physical, occupational, speech)	0	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Teacher or administrator (elementary)	0.4	0.3	0	0	0	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.7	1	1	1
Teacher or administrator (secondary)	1.8	1.6	0	0	0	2.4	2.4	2.8	2.4	3	2.9	3.4	3.2	3.1	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.7
Veterinarian	0.2	0.1	0	0	0	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2
Writer or journalist	0.3	0.3	0	0	0	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.3
Skilled trades	11.5	11.5	0	0	0	10.1	10.6	10.2	10	10.9	9.8	10	9.3	8	8.5	8.1	7.8	8.4	8.7
Laborer (unskilled)	3.4	3.4	0	0	0	3.3	3	3	2.8	3	2.4	2.8	2.3	2.7	2	2.3	1.9	2.3	2.2
Semi skilled worker	6.6	5.9	0	0	0	5.6	5.1	4.8	4.6	4.5	3.7	4	4.4	3.5	3.9	3.2	2.9	3.2	3.3
Other occupation	14.1	13.3	0	0	0	14	13.9	14.8	14.7	13.4	14.9	13.3	13.6	16.1	13.8	13.7	13.5	14.5	14.7
Unemployed	1.1	1.7	0	0	0	1.8	1.9	2	1.5	1.9	1.4	1.6	2.4	3.5	1.9	1.8	1.5	1.6	1.7

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Full-time, First-time Freshmen - Total

Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
Mother's occupation: disaggregated	16,618	14,799	0	0	0	15,012	10,089	9,498	9,348	8,487	8,548	9,645	6,772	9,509	9,850	8,735	8,749	10,467	10,501
Accountant or actuary	1.6	1.8	0	0	0	1.8	2	1.9	1.9	2	2.4	2.3	2.6	2.3	3.2	2.8	3	2.7	2.7
Actor or entertainer	0.1	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	0	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Architect	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1
Artist	0.3	0.3	0	0	0	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.7
Business (clerical)	9.4	10.8	0	0	0	10.5	10	10.5	10.7	11.2	11.2	11.9	11.5	10.1	10.7	11.7	11.9	10.9	10.6
Business executive (management, administrator)	1.3	1.4	0	0	0	1.9	2	2.3	2.8	3.1	3.8	3.5	4	4	4.9	5.5	5.4	5.7	5.9
Business owner or proprietor	1.1	1.2	0	0	0	1.4	1.4	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.4	1.9	2.3	2.4	2.9	3.1	3.5	3.2	3.3
Business salesperson or buyer	1.1	1.6	0	0	0	1.5	1.7	1.8	2	2.1	2.3	2.5	2.1	1.8	3.4	3.1	3.3	3	2.9
Clergy (minister, priest)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0	0	0.1	0.1	0	0	0.1
Clergy (other religious)	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.1
Clinical psychologist	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
College administrator/staff	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
College teacher	0.3	0.3	0	0	0	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.5
Computer programmer or analyst	0.2	0.2	0	0	0	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	1	0.9	1.1	1.5	1.3
Conservationist or forester	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dentist (including orthodontist)	0.1	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
Dietitian or home economist	0.4	0.5	0	0	0	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3
Engineer	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
Farmer or rancher	0.1	0.2	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2
Foreign service worker (including diplomat)	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	0	0.1	0	0.1	0	0.1	0	0	0.1	0	0.1	0	0
Homemaker (full-time)	51.5	35.4	0	0	0	35.9	34.6	31.8	30.8	28.6	23.6	23.6	25.4	26	22.1	19.6	17.6	16.9	15.3
Interior decorator (including designer)	0.1	0.2	0	0	0	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5
Interpreter (translator)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0	0.1	0	0.1	0	0	0.1
Lab technician or hygienist	0.4	0.4	0	0	0	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.7	1	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.9
Law enforcement officer	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Lawyer (attorney) or judge	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Military service (career)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1
Musician (performer, composer)	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3
Nurse	4.7	5	0	0	0	6.2	6.8	7	7.1	6.6	7.6	7.8	7.9	6.8	8	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.5
Optometrist	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0	0.2	0	0	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1
Pharmacist	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Physician	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.3
Policymaker/government	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
School counselor	0.2	0.2	0	0	0	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3
School principal or superintendent	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1
Scientific researcher	0.1	0	0	0	0	0.1	0	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
Social, welfare or recreation worker	0.6	0.8	0	0	0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	1	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.5	1.4
Statistician	0.1	0.2	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Therapist (physical, occupational, speech)	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5
Teacher or administrator (elementary)	4.5	4.9	0	0	0	5.8	6.1	5.9	6.2	6.6	7.1	7	6.2	7.1	6.4	7.3	8	7.9	8.5
Teacher or administrator (secondary)	2.2	2.5	0	0	0	2.8	2.5	2.7	2.9	3.2	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.9	3.9	4.5	4.9	4.5	4.6
Veterinarian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Writer or journalist	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3
Skilled trades	1.3	2	0	0	0	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.8	2.1	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.8	2.1	2	2	2.1
Laborer (unskilled)	1.5	2	0	0	0	1.8	2	2.1	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.6
Semi skilled worker	2.9	3	0	0	0	3.1	3.1	2.7	2.9	2.6	3.1	2.9	2.8	2.4	2.3	2.3	2	2.1	2.4
Other occupation	9.5	12.2	0	0	0	11.7	12.5	14	13.3	13.5	14.4	14.7	13.8	14.9	14.1	14	14.4	16.2	17.6
Unemployed	3.4	12	0	0	0	8.4	8	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.5	6.6	6	7.2	5.9	6.1	5.7	5.3	5.2



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Full-time, First-time Freshmen - Total

Sample University	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
TFS Habits of Mind Group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Low	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TFS Habits of Mind Score	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TFS Academic Self-Concept Group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Low	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TFS Academic Self-Concept Score	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TFS Social Self-Concept Group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Low	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TFS Social Self-Concept Score	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TFS Pluralistic Orientation Group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Low	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TFS Pluralistic Orientation Score	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TFS Social Agency Group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Low	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TFS Social Agency Score	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TFS College Reputation Orientation Group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Low	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TFS College Reputation Orientation Score	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TFS Likelihood of College Involvement Group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Low	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TFS Likelihood of College Involvement Score



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Full-time, First-time Freshmen - Total

Sample University	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
TFS Habits of Mind Group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16,034	11,559	11,258	0
High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21.3	24	22.3	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43.8	44.8	44.8	0
Low	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34.9	31.2	32.8	0
TFS Habits of Mind Score	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	48.36	49.08	48.71	.
TFS Academic Self-Concept Group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17,151	14,523	15,634	13,350	15,004	15,661	12,251	16,064	11,572	11,310	0
High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21.9	19.5	21.8	21.1	20.7	21.6	21.2	18.5	20.7	19.3	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	47.9	47.2	48.8	47.2	48	49.4	48.6	48.6	48.2	47.6	0
Low	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30.2	33.3	29.4	31.7	31.3	29	30.2	32.9	31	33.1	0
TFS Academic Self-Concept Score	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	49.14	48.48	49.2	48.79	48.79	49.26	49.06	48.46	48.93	48.49	.
TFS Social Self-Concept Group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17,143	14,505	15,603	13,336	14,976	15,640	12,221	16,042	11,566	11,303	0
High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	27.2	25.8	26.1	23.3	26.1	26.3	25.2	29.3	27.6	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41.2	40.8	42.3	41.4	42.6	44.6	43.9	43.6	41.1	41	0
Low	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30.8	32	31.9	32.6	34.1	29.2	29.9	31.1	29.5	31.3	0
TFS Social Self-Concept Score	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	49.7	49.53	49.27	49.24	49.16	50.16	50.04	49.9	50.06	49.61	.
TFS Pluralistic Orientation Group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11,549	11,264	0
High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26.2	25	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	44.9	44.9	0
Low	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28.9	30.1	0
TFS Pluralistic Orientation Score	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	49.54	49.27	.
TFS Social Agency Group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16,576	13,988	14,869	12,894	14,360	14,919	11,197	15,032	11,105	10,863	0
High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15.8	17.2	17	17	16.4	20	20.8	22.5	23.6	21.2	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	42.2	43.1	44.4	44.7	43.8	44.6	43.9	46.4	45.7	43.7	0
Low	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	39.7	38.6	38.3	39.8	35.4	35.3	31.1	30.7	35.1	0
TFS Social Agency Score	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	46.47	46.99	47.13	47.12	46.93	47.91	48.08	48.77	49.06	48.14	.
TFS College Reputation Orientation Group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16,863	14,263	0	0	14,665	15,283	11,438	15,481	11,315	11,014	0
High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20.4	19.4	0	0	20	20.7	21.7	22.5	25.4	23.3	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38.1	37.5	0	0	38.2	38.3	39.8	37.2	38.6	41.5	0
Low	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41.5	43.1	0	0	41.7	41	38.5	40.3	36	35.2	0
TFS College Reputation Orientation Score	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	47.01	46.78	.	.	46.96	47.15	47.48	47.41	48.04	48	.
TFS Likelihood of College Involvement Group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16,542	13,892	14,819	12,873	14,327	14,921	11,151	14,907	11,055	10,807	0
High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20.8	21.5	15.4	14.3	13.8	16.7	17.4	16.9	19.1	18.7	0
Average	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39.6	39.7	46.8	43.3	43.1	45.2	46.4	46.4	45.4	45.1	0
Low	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39.6	38.9	37.9	42.4	43.1	38.1	36.2	36.8	35.5	36.2	0
TFS Likelihood of College Involvement Score	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	47.34	47.57	46.94	46.25	46.08	47	47.36	47.27	47.66	47.57	.



QUALIFICATIONS IN ASSESSING THE FRESHMEN SURVEY TRENDS REPORT

Despite the best efforts of the HERI staff to expunge from your Trends data all items which are not strictly comparable from year to year, there are still some instances where variables have been left in even though the year-to-year changes may have been affected by changes in the question text, response options, layout or order.

To help determine where these changes are and how they might have affected the Trends data, we ran a special report which identified any year-to-year changes of more than five percentage points or (for smaller percentages) more than 20% of the original value. The results of this analysis are summarized below.

Please note that in discussing these possible artifacts, the possibility still exists that they were actually due in whole or in part to a real change in response.

RACE/ETHNICITY

In 1997, the "Asian/Asian American" category was broken out into five more specific categories. This had the curious effect of substantially increasing the number of respondents that marked more than one category -- regardless of what categories were marked. In 1998, the eight-category response set used in 1996 was restored.

In 2001, the category "American Indian" was changed to "American Indian/Alaska Native", and a new category -- "Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander" was added to the Freshman Survey response set.

DISABILITY

Although the disability item was included in the survey starting in 1979, a consistent format for the question was not developed until 1983.

In 1998, the item "hearing" was inadvertently omitted from the list of Disabilities. As a result, the item "other" was judged to be not comparable to earlier years (since students with a hearing disability may have marked it), and was not included in the Trends for 1998.

CAREER/OCCUPATION

Although the "Student's Probable Career" and "Parents' Occupation" have been included in the Freshman Survey since before 1971, the construction of the item and the response options presented did not become stable until 1976.

In 1996, the response options "interpreter" and "statistician" were removed. The responses "college administrator/staff" and "policymaker/government" were added.

RELIGION

Changes have been made in the number of responses in several years, primarily switching from a "short" list (5 responses) to a "long" list (17-18 responses). When the long list was used, the "Protestant" category reported in the aggregated version of the RELIGION variables was computed by adding together all Christian religions except Roman Catholic. In the short list, "Protestant" represents the only option for these religions. The short list was used in 1972, 1979-83 and 1986.

The major result of these variations is a sharp drop in the "Protestant" category, matched by an increase in "other religion", when the short categories were used. Presumably, many Christians do not consider themselves to be "Protestant".

In 1984, two long-list options (Episcopal & Presbyterian) were inadvertently left off the 1984 list, engendering a rise in the "other Protestant" response. These options were restored in 1985.

In 1994, the response option "other Protestant" was replaced by "other Christian". This resulted in a large increase in the percentage of students responding to this item, with a smaller but substantial drop in the percentage responding to "other religion".

The response option "Hindu" was added in 2002. It is currently being merged into "Other Religion" in the Trends. The response option "Church of Christ" was added in 2004. It is currently being merged into "Other Christian".

The response option "Congregational" was changed to "United Church of Christ" in 1990, and changed again in 2003 to "United Church of Christ/Congregational". The response option "Unitarian/Universalist" has been added periodically over the over the years.



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INCOME

Due to inflation, it became necessary to change the response set for the Parental Income item several times. Each change resulted in some artifactual effects on the results as compared with the previous year. In addition, until 1972, respondents were allowed to enter their own family income if they were not dependent on their parents. The elimination of this option undoubtedly resulted in a drop of respondents reporting low income observed in 1973.

In 1985 and again in 2002, to accommodate a finer discrimination among income ranges at the high end of the spectrum, it was necessary to compress the low-end ranges. While these changes do not have a large effect on the overall results, they will cause medians computed from these data to be slightly higher, particularly among low-income groups.

HIGH SCHOOL TYPE

In 2004, a more detailed set of response options was introduced for this item which were not compatible with earlier versions. If the use of the new response set is continued in future years, the new set will be included in the next upgrade of the Trends Data Base (ca. 2012).

HIGH SCHOOL GRADES

The format of the response options was changed in 1973, 1987, and 2007. The grades most affected by this change were B- and C+. In 2007, the change yielded a substantial effect on the responses.

REASONS FOR CHOOSING THIS COLLEGE

From the beginning of the Freshman Survey, the item "My relatives wanted me to come here" was included in the list of reasons for choosing the college they are attending. In 2007, the item "My parents wanted me to come here" was added directly before the original question. Given the context, the original question was interpreted by students as "My other relatives wanted me to come here", which had a substantial effect on their responses.

DEGREE ASPIRATIONS

The layout of this item was changed in 2000 in an attempt to make it more understandable to the respondents. The results were so at variance with those of earlier years that they were not included in the Trends database. The format used in 1999 and earlier was restored in 2001.

MAJOR

Until 1971, students were asked to mark their first, second and last choices for major. Starting in 1972, students were directed to mark the major they were most likely to choose. The "Undecided" response showed a large increase between these years.

Nine response categories, including specific business and education categories, were added in 1973, affecting many response percentages. "Pre-med, Dental, Veterinary" was removed from the response set in 1973 and restored in 1977, affecting the "Biological Sciences" and "Health Professional" categories.

Two response categories, "Environmental Science" and "International Business", were added to the response set in 1994.

The major "Computer Engineering" was added to the Freshman Survey response set in 2002 and removed in 2007. Responses to this category were added to "Other Engineering" in the Trends response set. It should be noted that this change has resulted in an increase to the percentage of "Other Engineering" and a corresponding decrease in the percentage of respondents marking "Computer Science".



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FINANCIAL AID

While some version of the financial aid question has been asked since the beginning of the Freshman Survey in 1966, it was not until 1978 that the various items presented and the response set were sufficiently standardized to allow their inclusion in the Trends. In addition, the reordering of the Aid items in 1984 may have had some small effects on the results.

In 1992, the response set for these items was reduced from seven categories to five, covering the same overall range.

In 2001, the group of 20 specific sources of aid was compressed to five broad categories, and the response options were broadened to specify larger amounts of aid received. In 2006, a larger set of aid sources was restored for a single year. However, the response set was not comparable to the one used in the period 1978-1999. The short set of aid sources was restored in 2007.

FIRST GENERATION STATUS

First generation students are those who responded that neither parent had "some college" or higher. This rule also applies for those who responded for only one parent.

MISCELLANEOUS

Questions which do not deal with established facts (such as self-ratings, opinions, projected future activities and life objectives) are more likely to be affected by changes in order of the items, their text, or the addition/deletion of items. In three instances (self-ratings in 1983 & 2004, and life objectives in 1988), the effects were so profound that HERI judged the results should not be included in the Trends. Changes of a similar sort occurred in the "Reasons for Attending College" in 1998, and resulted in the exclusion of two items from the Trends – "become a more cultured person" and "prepare for graduate/professional school". The number of items asked in "Reasons for Attending College" was decreased in 2009 and as a result comparisons with earlier years should be made with caution.