

Table 208.—Total fall enrollment in degree-granting institutions, by level of study, sex, and race/ethnicity of student: 1976 to 1997

Level of study, sex, and race/ ethnicity of student	Institutions of higher education, in thousands ¹						Degree-granting institutions, in thousands ²		Percentage distribution of students ³								
	1976	1980	1990	1995	1996	1997	1996	1997	Institutions of higher education ¹						Degree- granting institutions ²		
									1976	1980	1990	1995	1996	1997	1996	1997	
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
All students																	
Total	10,985.6	12,086.8	13,818.6	14,261.8	14,300.3	14,345.4	14,367.5	14,502.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White, non-Hispanic	9,076.1	9,833.0	10,722.5	10,311.2	10,226.0	10,160.9	10,263.9	10,266.1	84.3	83.5	79.9	74.7	73.9	73.2	73.8	73.1	73.1
Total minority	1,690.8	1,948.8	2,704.7	3,496.2	3,609.3	3,723.2	3,637.4	3,771.2	15.7	16.5	20.1	25.3	26.1	26.8	26.2	26.9	26.9
Black, non-Hispanic	1,033.0	1,106.8	1,247.0	1,473.7	1,499.4	1,532.8	1,505.6	1,551.0	9.6	9.4	9.3	10.7	10.8	11.0	10.8	11.0	11.0
Hispanic	383.8	471.7	782.4	1,093.8	1,152.2	1,200.1	1,166.1	1,218.5	3.6	4.0	5.8	7.9	8.3	8.6	8.4	8.7	8.7
Asian or Pacific Islander	197.9	286.4	572.4	797.4	823.6	851.5	828.2	859.2	1.8	2.4	4.3	5.8	6.0	6.1	6.0	6.1	6.1
American Indian/Alaskan																	
Native	76.1	83.9	102.8	131.3	134.0	138.8	137.6	142.5	0.7	0.7	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Nonresident alien	218.7	305.0	391.5	454.4	464.9	461.3	466.3	465.0	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Men	5,794.4	5,868.1	6,283.9	6,342.5	6,344.0	6,330.0	6,352.8	6,396.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White, non-Hispanic	4,813.7	4,772.9	4,861.0	4,594.1	4,553.0	4,504.8	4,552.2	4,548.8	85.3	84.4	80.5	75.6	74.9	74.3	74.8	74.8	74.2
Total minority	826.6	884.4	1,176.6	1,484.2	1,524.3	1,562.2	1,533.4	1,582.3	14.7	15.6	19.5	24.4	25.1	25.7	25.2	25.8	25.8
Black, non-Hispanic	469.9	463.7	484.7	555.9	563.6	572.5	564.1	579.8	8.3	8.2	8.0	9.1	9.3	9.4	9.3	9.5	9.5
Hispanic	209.7	231.6	353.9	480.2	501.3	518.1	506.6	525.8	3.7	4.1	5.9	7.9	8.2	8.5	8.3	8.6	8.6
Asian or Pacific Islander	108.4	151.3	294.9	393.3	403.6	414.0	405.5	417.7	1.9	2.7	4.9	6.5	6.6	6.8	6.7	6.8	6.8
American Indian/Alaskan																	
Native	38.5	37.8	43.1	54.8	55.7	57.6	57.2	59.0	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0
Nonresident alien	154.1	210.8	246.3	264.3	266.7	262.9	267.2	264.9	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Women	5,191.2	6,218.7	7,534.7	7,919.2	7,956.3	8,015.5	8,014.7	8,106.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White, non-Hispanic	4,262.4	5,060.1	5,861.5	5,717.2	5,673.1	5,656.1	5,711.7	5,717.4	83.1	82.6	79.3	74.0	73.1	72.4	73.1	72.3	72.3
Total minority	864.2	1,064.4	1,528.1	2,012.0	2,085.0	2,161.0	2,104.0	2,188.9	16.9	17.4	20.7	26.0	26.9	27.6	26.9	27.7	27.7
Black, non-Hispanic	563.1	643.0	762.3	917.8	938.9	960.2	941.4	971.3	11.0	10.5	10.3	11.9	12.1	12.3	12.0	12.3	12.3
Hispanic	174.1	240.1	428.5	613.7	650.9	682.0	659.5	692.7	3.4	3.9	5.8	7.9	8.4	8.7	8.4	8.8	8.8
Asian or Pacific Islander	89.4	135.2	277.5	404.1	420.0	437.4	422.6	441.5	1.7	2.2	3.8	5.2	5.4	5.6	5.4	5.6	5.6
American Indian/Alaskan																	
Native	37.6	46.1	59.7	76.5	78.2	81.3	80.4	83.4	0.7	0.8	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1
Nonresident alien	64.6	94.2	145.2	190.1	198.2	198.4	199.0	200.1	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Full-time	6,703.6	7,088.9	7,821.0	8,128.8	8,213.5	8,322.4	8,303.0	8,438.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White, non-Hispanic	5,512.6	5,717.0	6,016.5	5,833.8	5,847.5	5,886.7	5,906.1	5,960.1	84.2	83.4	79.9	74.9	74.4	73.9	74.3	73.8	73.8
Total minority	1,030.9	1,137.5	1,514.9	1,955.3	2,017.2	2,079.8	2,046.8	2,118.7	15.8	16.6	20.1	25.1	25.6	26.1	25.7	26.2	26.2
Black, non-Hispanic	659.2	685.6	718.3	840.4	861.0	880.7	871.9	896.6	10.1	10.0	9.5	10.8	10.9	11.1	11.0	11.1	11.1
Hispanic	211.1	247.0	394.7	553.2	577.1	599.6	588.8	614.0	3.2	3.6	5.2	7.1	7.3	7.5	7.4	7.6	7.6
Asian or Pacific Islander	117.7	162.0	347.4	488.7	503.9	520.6	508.5	526.6	1.8	2.4	4.6	6.3	6.4	6.5	6.4	6.5	6.5
American Indian/Alaskan																	
Native	43.0	43.0	54.4	73.0	75.2	79.0	77.5	81.5	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Nonresident alien	160.0	234.4	289.6	339.7	348.7	355.9	350.1	359.2	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Part-time	4,282.1	4,997.9	5,997.7	6,133.0	6,086.8	6,023.1	6,064.6	6,064.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White, non-Hispanic	3,563.5	4,116.0	4,706.0	4,477.4	4,378.5	4,274.3	4,357.8	4,306.0	84.4	83.5	79.8	74.4	73.3	72.2	73.3	72.3	72.3
Total minority	659.9	811.3	1,189.8	1,540.9	1,592.1	1,643.4	1,590.6	1,652.5	15.6	16.5	20.2	25.6	26.7	27.8	26.7	27.7	27.7
Black, non-Hispanic	378.8	421.2	528.7	633.3	638.4	652.1	633.6	654.5	8.9	8.5	9.0	10.5	10.7	11.0	10.7	11.0	11.0
Hispanic	172.7	224.8	387.7	540.7	575.1	600.6	577.3	604.5	4.1	4.6	6.6	9.0	9.6	10.1	9.7	10.1	10.1
Asian or Pacific Islander	80.2	124.4	225.1	308.6	319.7	330.9	319.6	332.6	1.9	2.5	3.8	5.1	5.4	5.6	5.4	5.6	5.6
American Indian/Alaskan																	
Native	33.1	40.9	48.4	58.3	58.8	59.9	60.0	61.0	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Nonresident alien	58.7	70.6	101.8	114.7	116.2	105.4	116.2	105.8	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Undergraduate																	
Total	9,419.0	10,469.1	11,959.1	12,231.7	12,259.4	12,298.3	12,326.9	12,450.6	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White, non-Hispanic	7,740.5	8,480.7	9,272.6	8,805.6	8,730.9	8,681.8	8,769.5	8,783.9	83.4	82.7	79.0	73.6	72.8	72.1	72.8	72.1	72.1
Total minority	1,535.3	1,778.5	2,467.7	3,158.5	3,254.4	3,351.5	3,282.1	3,398.5	16.6	17.3	21.0	26.4	27.2	27.9	27.2	27.9	27.9
Black, non-Hispanic	943.4	1,018.8	1,147.2	1,333.6	1,352.6	1,379.9	1,358.6	1,398.1	10.2	9.9	9.8	11.1	11.3	11.5	11.3	11.5	11.5
Hispanic	352.9	433.1	724.6	1,012.0	1,065.6	1,107.8	1,079.4	1,125.9	3.8	4.2	6.2	8.5	8.9	9.2	9.0	9.2	9.2
Asian or Pacific Islander	169.3	248.7	500.5	692.2	713.2	736.6	717.6	743.7	1.8	2.4	4.3	5.8	6.0	6.1	6.0	6.1	6.1
American Indian/Alaskan																	
Native	69.7	77.9	95.5	120.7	122.9	127.2	126.5	130.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.1
Nonresident alien	143.2	209.9	218.7	267.6	274.1	265.0	275.3	268.2	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Men	4,896.8	4,997.4	5,379.8	5,401.1	5,411.1	5,405.4	5,420.7	5,468.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White, non-Hispanic	4,052.2	4,054.9	4,184.4	3,918.1	3,890.7	3,857.3	3,890.8	3,899.3	84.4	83.5	79.6	74.5	73.9	73.3	73.8	73.2	73.2
Total minority	748.2	802.7	1,069.3	1,339.3	1,375.0	1,408.4	1,384.1	1,427.9	15.6	16.5	20.4	25.5	26.1	26.7	26.2	26.8	26.8
Black, non-Hispanic	430.7	428.2	448.0	506.8	513.1	520.6	513.6	527.7	9.0	8.8	8.5	9.6	9.7	9.9	9.7	9.9	9.9
Hispanic	191.7	211.2	326.9	444.2	464.0	479.1	469.2	486.7	4.0	4.3	6.2	8.4	8.8	9.1	8.9	9.1	9.1
Asian or Pacific Islander	91.1	128.5	254.5	338.1	346.9	356.1	348.8	359.4	1.9	2.6	4.8	6.4	6.6	6.8	6.6	6.7	6.7
American Indian/Alaskan																	
Native	34.8	34.8	39.9	50.2	51.0	52.6	52.4	54.1	0.7	0.7	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Nonresident alien	96.4	139.8	126.1	143.8	145.3	139.6	145.8	141.4	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Women	4,522.1	5,471.7	6,579.3	6,830.6	6,848.4	6,892.9	6,906.3	6,982.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White, non-Hispanic	3,688.3	4,425.8	5,088.2	4,887.5	4,840.2	4,824.5	4,878.7	4,884.6	82.4	81.9	78.4	72.9	72.0	71.3	72.0	71.3	71.3
Total minority	787.0	975.8	1,398.5	1,898.2	1,879.3	1,943.0	1,898.1	1,970.6	17.6	18.1	21.6	27.1	28.0	28.7	28.0	28.7	28.7
Black, non-Hispanic	512.7	590.6	699.2	826.9	839.5	859.3	845.0	870.3	11.5	10.9	10.8	12.3	12.5	12.7	12.5	12.7	12.7
Hispanic	161.2	221.8	397.6														

Table 208.—Total fall enrollment in degree-granting institutions, by level of study, sex, and race/ethnicity of student: 1976 to 1997—Continued

Level of study, sex, and race/ ethnicity of student	Institutions of higher education, in thousands ¹						Degree-granting institutions, in thousands ²		Percentage distribution of students ³							
	1976	1980	1990	1995	1996	1997	1996	1997	Institutions of higher education ¹						Degree- granting institutions ²	
									1976	1980	1990	1995	1996	1997	1996	1997
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Graduate																
Total	1,322.5	1,340.9	1,586.2	1,732.5	1,743.1	1,750.6	1,742.3	1,753.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White, non-Hispanic	1,115.6	1,104.7	1,228.4	1,282.3	1,273.9	1,260.2	1,272.6	1,261.8	89.2	88.5	86.6	82.6	81.7	80.7	81.6	80.7
Total minority	134.5	144.0	190.5	270.7	286.0	301.6	286.3	302.3	10.8	11.5	13.4	17.4	18.3	19.3	18.4	19.3
Black, non-Hispanic	78.5	75.1	83.9	118.6	125.5	131.7	125.5	131.6	6.3	6.0	5.9	7.6	8.0	8.4	8.0	8.4
Hispanic	26.4	32.1	47.2	68.0	72.7	78.4	72.8	78.7	2.1	2.6	3.3	4.4	4.7	5.0	4.7	5.0
Asian or Pacific Islander	24.5	31.6	53.2	75.6	79.0	82.1	79.1	82.6	2.0	2.5	3.8	4.9	5.1	5.3	5.1	5.3
American Indian/Alaskan																
Native	5.1	5.2	6.2	8.5	8.9	9.4	8.9	9.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Nonresident alien	72.4	92.2	167.3	179.5	183.2	188.8	183.3	189.4	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)
Men																
Total	707.9	672.2	737.4	767.5	760.5	756.1	759.4	757.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White, non-Hispanic	589.1	538.5	538.8	541.6	530.2	519.5	529.0	520.4	90.2	89.2	86.8	83.1	82.3	81.5	82.3	81.4
Total minority	63.7	65.0	82.1	110.4	113.9	118.2	114.0	118.8	9.8	10.8	13.2	16.9	17.7	18.5	17.7	18.6
Black, non-Hispanic	32.0	28.2	29.3	39.8	41.2	42.8	41.2	42.8	4.9	4.7	4.7	6.1	6.4	6.7	6.4	6.7
Hispanic	14.6	15.7	20.6	28.2	29.5	31.3	29.6	31.5	2.2	2.6	3.3	4.3	4.6	4.9	4.6	4.9
Asian or Pacific Islander	14.4	18.6	29.7	39.0	39.7	40.4	39.7	40.7	2.2	3.1	4.8	6.0	6.2	6.3	6.2	6.4
American Indian/Alaskan																
Native	2.7	2.5	2.6	3.4	3.6	3.7	3.6	3.7	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Nonresident alien	55.1	68.7	116.4	115.6	116.3	118.4	116.4	118.7	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)
Women																
Total	614.6	668.7	848.8	965.0	982.6	994.5	982.8	995.6	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White, non-Hispanic	526.5	566.2	689.5	740.7	743.7	740.7	743.6	741.4	88.1	87.8	86.4	82.2	81.2	80.2	81.2	80.2
Total minority	70.8	79.0	108.3	160.3	172.1	183.3	172.3	183.5	11.9	12.2	13.6	17.8	18.8	19.8	18.8	19.8
Black, non-Hispanic	46.5	46.9	54.6	78.8	84.3	88.8	84.3	88.8	7.8	7.3	6.8	8.7	9.2	9.6	9.2	9.6
Hispanic	11.8	16.4	26.6	39.9	43.1	47.1	43.2	47.2	2.0	2.5	3.3	4.4	4.7	5.1	4.7	5.1
Asian or Pacific Islander	10.1	13.0	23.6	36.6	39.3	41.7	39.4	41.8	1.7	2.0	3.0	4.1	4.3	4.5	4.3	4.5
American Indian/Alaskan																
Native	2.4	2.7	3.6	5.0	5.3	5.7	5.3	5.7	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Nonresident alien	17.3	23.5	50.9	63.9	66.9	70.4	66.9	70.7	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)
First-professional																
Total	244.1	276.8	273.4	297.6	297.7	296.5	298.3	298.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White, non-Hispanic	220.0	247.7	221.5	223.3	221.2	218.9	221.7	220.4	91.3	90.4	82.6	76.9	76.2	75.7	76.3	75.8
Total minority	21.1	26.3	46.5	67.0	68.9	70.1	69.0	70.4	8.7	9.6	17.4	23.1	23.8	24.3	23.7	24.2
Black, non-Hispanic	11.2	12.8	15.9	21.4	21.4	21.2	21.5	21.4	4.6	4.7	5.9	7.4	7.4	7.3	7.4	7.3
Hispanic	4.5	6.5	10.7	13.8	14.0	13.9	13.9	13.9	1.9	2.4	4.0	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8
Asian or Pacific Islander	4.1	6.1	18.7	29.6	31.4	32.8	31.4	32.9	1.7	2.2	7.0	10.2	10.8	11.4	10.8	11.3
American Indian/Alaskan																
Native	1.3	0.8	1.1	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.3	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.8
Nonresident alien	3.1	2.9	5.4	7.3	7.7	7.5	7.6	7.5	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)
Men																
Total	189.6	198.5	166.8	173.9	172.5	168.4	172.7	169.6	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White, non-Hispanic	172.4	179.5	137.8	134.4	132.0	128.0	132.3	129.1	92.1	91.5	84.5	79.5	78.9	78.3	78.9	78.3
Total minority	14.7	16.7	25.3	34.6	35.3	35.5	35.4	35.7	7.9	8.5	15.5	20.5	21.1	21.7	21.1	21.7
Black, non-Hispanic	7.2	7.4	7.4	9.4	9.4	9.1	9.4	9.2	3.9	3.8	4.5	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6
Hispanic	3.5	4.6	6.4	7.8	7.8	7.6	7.7	7.6	1.9	2.4	3.9	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.6	4.6
Asian or Pacific Islander	2.9	4.1	10.8	16.2	17.0	17.6	17.1	17.6	1.6	2.1	6.6	9.6	10.2	10.7	10.2	10.7
American Indian/Alaskan																
Native	1.0	0.5	0.6	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
Nonresident alien	2.5	2.3	3.8	4.9	5.1	4.9	5.1	4.9	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)
Women																
Total	54.5	78.4	106.6	123.7	125.3	128.1	125.6	128.6	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White, non-Hispanic	47.6	68.1	83.7	88.9	89.1	90.9	89.4	91.3	88.2	87.6	79.7	73.3	72.6	72.4	72.7	72.5
Total minority	6.4	9.6	21.3	32.4	33.6	34.6	33.6	34.7	11.8	12.4	20.3	26.7	27.4	27.3	27.5	27.5
Black, non-Hispanic	3.9	5.5	8.5	12.1	12.0	12.0	12.1	12.1	7.3	7.0	8.1	10.0	9.8	9.6	9.8	9.6
Hispanic	1.0	1.9	4.3	6.0	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	1.9	2.4	4.1	5.0	5.1	5.0	5.0	4.9
Asian or Pacific Islander	1.1	2.0	7.9	13.4	14.4	15.3	14.4	15.3	2.1	2.6	7.6	11.0	11.7	12.2	11.7	12.1
American Indian/Alaskan																
Native	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
Nonresident alien	0.5	0.6	1.6	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)

¹ Institutions that were accredited by an agency or association that was recognized by the U.S. Department of Education, or recognized directly by the Secretary of Education.

² Four-year and 2-year degree-granting institutions that were participating in Title IV federal financial aid programs.

³ Distribution for U.S. citizens only.

⁴ Not applicable.

NOTE: Because of underreporting and nonreporting of racial/ethnic data, some figures are slightly lower than corresponding data in other tables. Detail may not sum to totals due to rounding.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Higher Education General Information Survey (HEGIS), "Fall Enrollment in Colleges and Universities" surveys; and Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), "Fall Enrollment" surveys. (This table was prepared July 1999.)