

Table 215.—Enrollment of persons 14 to 34 years of age¹ in institutions of higher education, by race/ethnicity, sex, and year of college: October 1965 to October 1998

Characteristic	1965	1970	1975	1980	1985 ²	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994 ³	1995	1996	1997	1998
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Numbers in thousands																
All students	5,675	7,413	9,697	10,181	10,863	10,937	11,066	11,303	11,589	11,671	11,409	12,298	12,046	12,448	12,640	12,860
White, non-Hispanic ⁴																
Total	5,317	6,759	8,141	8,453	8,781	8,616	8,786	8,892	8,916	8,883	8,592	9,076	8,973	8,943	9,087	9,089
Men	3,326	4,066	4,566	4,225	4,361	4,155	4,220	4,298	4,323	4,207	4,168	4,313	4,319	4,222	4,353	4,346
Women	1,991	2,693	3,576	4,228	4,420	4,461	4,565	4,594	4,594	4,676	4,424	4,764	4,654	4,721	4,734	4,743
Black, non-Hispanic ⁴																
Total	274	522	927	996	1,036	1,096	1,116	1,167	1,190	1,205	1,227	1,469	1,415	1,513	1,500	1,640
Men	126	253	433	431	458	423	425	508	523	467	515	641	579	633	595	649
Women	148	269	494	565	578	674	690	659	667	738	713	828	837	879	904	991
Hispanic origin																
Total	—	—	411	443	579	654	640	617	721	816	867	982	1,014	1,039	1,109	1,166
Men	—	—	219	222	280	313	311	297	310	349	391	443	495	440	495	485
Women	—	—	192	221	299	341	330	321	411	468	475	539	519	599	614	680
Year of college																
First	1,861	2,212	2,886	2,958	2,956	3,131	2,983	3,109	2,995	3,274	3,139	3,357	3,236	3,295	3,637	3,521
Second	1,256	1,739	2,376	2,411	2,585	2,598	2,680	2,798	2,959	3,002	2,964	3,075	3,068	3,060	2,764	3,148
Third	896	1,248	1,491	1,716	1,931	1,979	2,017	1,958	2,009	2,136	2,080	2,244	2,239	2,235	2,280	2,362
Fourth	803	1,074	1,354	1,403	1,642	1,631	1,676	1,817	1,877	1,681	1,692	1,902	1,772	2,033	2,010	1,863
Fifth or higher	859	1,140	1,590	1,692	1,749	1,598	1,711	1,620	1,749	1,578	1,535	1,719	1,731	1,823	1,948	1,966
Percentage distribution																
All students	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White, non-Hispanic ⁴																
Total	93.7	91.2	84.0	83.0	80.8	78.8	79.4	78.7	76.9	76.1	75.3	73.8	74.5	71.8	71.9	70.7
Men	58.6	54.8	47.1	41.5	40.1	38.0	38.1	38.0	37.3	36.0	36.5	35.1	35.9	33.9	34.4	33.8
Women	35.1	36.3	36.9	41.5	40.7	40.8	41.3	40.6	39.6	40.1	38.8	38.7	38.6	37.9	37.5	36.9
Black, non-Hispanic ⁴																
Total	4.8	7.0	9.6	9.8	9.5	10.0	10.1	10.3	10.3	10.3	10.8	11.9	11.7	12.2	11.9	12.8
Men	2.2	3.4	4.5	4.2	4.2	3.9	3.8	4.5	4.5	4.0	4.5	5.2	4.8	5.1	4.7	5.1
Women	2.6	3.6	5.1	5.5	5.3	6.2	6.2	5.8	5.8	6.3	6.2	6.7	6.9	7.1	7.2	7.7
Hispanic origin																
Total	—	—	4.2	4.4	5.3	6.0	5.8	5.5	6.2	7.0	7.6	8.0	8.4	8.3	8.8	9.1
Men	—	—	2.3	2.2	2.6	2.9	2.8	2.6	2.7	3.0	3.4	3.6	4.1	3.5	3.9	3.8
Women	—	—	2.0	2.2	2.8	3.1	3.0	2.8	3.5	4.0	4.2	4.4	4.3	4.8	4.9	5.3
Year of college																
First	32.8	29.8	29.8	29.1	27.2	28.6	27.0	27.5	25.8	28.1	27.5	27.3	26.9	26.5	28.8	27.4
Second	22.1	23.5	24.5	23.7	23.8	23.8	24.2	24.8	25.5	25.7	26.0	25.0	25.5	24.6	21.9	24.5
Third	15.8	16.8	15.4	16.9	17.8	18.1	18.2	17.3	17.3	18.3	18.2	18.3	18.6	18.0	18.0	18.4
Fourth	14.1	14.5	14.0	13.8	15.1	14.9	15.1	16.1	16.2	14.4	14.8	15.5	14.7	16.3	15.9	14.5
Fifth or higher	15.1	15.4	16.4	16.6	16.1	14.6	15.5	14.3	15.1	13.5	13.5	14.0	14.4	14.6	15.4	15.3

¹Totals differ from those shown in other tables. This table presents data collected in sample surveys of households rather than surveys of institutions. Excludes persons age 35 and over.

²Data for 1985 to 1993 are controlled to 1980 census base.

³Data are controlled to 1990 census base. Large increase in 1994 is partly due to the change in census base and change in survey form administration procedures.

⁴Data for 1965 and 1970 include persons of Hispanic origin.

—Data not available.

NOTE.—Data are based upon sample surveys of the civilian noninstitutional population. Because of rounding, details may not add to totals.

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