

Table 275. Foreign (Nonimmigrant) Student Enrollment in College: 1976 to 2006

[In thousands (179 represents 179,000). For fall of the previous year]

Region of origin	1976	1980	1985	1990	1995	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
All regions . . .	179	286	342	387	453	458	481	491	515	548	583	586	573	565	565
Africa	25	36	40	25	21	22	23	26	30	34	38	40	38	36	36
Nigeria	11	16	18	4	2	2	2	3	4	4	4	6	6	6	6
Asia ^{1, 2}	97	165	200	245	292	291	308	308	315	339	363	367	356	356	346
China: Taiwan . . .	11	18	23	31	36	30	31	31	29	29	29	28	26	26	28
Hong Kong	12	10	10	11	13	11	10	9	8	8	8	8	7	7	8
India	10	9	15	26	34	31	34	37	42	55	67	75	80	80	77
Indonesia	1	2	7	9	12	12	13	12	11	12	12	10	9	8	8
Iran	20	51	17	7	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Japan	7	12	13	30	45	46	47	46	47	46	47	46	41	42	39
Malaysia	2	4	22	14	14	15	15	12	9	8	7	7	6	6	6
Saudi Arabia	3	10	8	4	4	4	5	5	5	5	6	4	4	3	3
South Korea	3	5	16	22	34	37	43	39	41	46	49	52	52	53	59
Thailand	7	7	7	7	11	13	15	12	11	11	12	10	9	9	9
Europe ³	14	23	33	46	65	68	72	74	78	81	82	78	74	72	85
Latin America ^{1, 4} . . .	30	42	49	48	47	50	51	55	62	64	68	69	66	68	65
Mexico	5	6	6	7	9	9	10	10	11	11	13	13	13	13	14
Venezuela	5	10	10	3	4	5	5	5	5	5	6	5	6	5	5
North America	10	16	16	19	23	24	23	23	24	26	27	27	28	29	29
Canada	10	15	15	18	23	23	22	23	24	25	27	27	27	28	28
Oceania	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	4	5

¹ Includes countries not shown separately. ² Beginning 2006, excludes Cyprus and Turkey. ³ Beginning 2006, includes Cyprus and Turkey. ⁴ Includes Central America, Caribbean, and South America.

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