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## INDICATOR 10

# Mobility of College Students

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# Undergraduate Education

## Mobility of College Students

*In 2006, three-fourths of 4-year college freshmen who had graduated from high school in the previous 12 months attended an in-state college, and one-fourth attended an out-of-state college.*

The majority of college freshmen attend colleges in the same state in which they graduate from high school; however, many freshmen, particularly those attending 4-year institutions, attend out-of-state colleges. This indicator compares the percentage of college freshmen who had graduated from high school in the previous 12 months and who attended an in-state public or private not-for-profit 4-year college or university (hereafter referred to as the *freshman in-state attendance percentage*) in 2006 and 1996.<sup>1</sup> In 2006, the national freshman in-state attendance percentage was about 75 percent, which was similar to the percentage for 1996 (74 percent; see supplemental tables 10-1 and 10-2).

In 2006, the freshman in-state attendance percentage ranged from 28 percent in the District of Columbia and 40 percent in New Jersey to 89 percent in Louisiana and 90 percent in Utah. Altogether, there were 11 states in which the freshman in-state attendance percentage was 85 percent or more, and 12 states and the District of Columbia in which it was 60 percent or less. There were some regional patterns, with many of the southern states having relatively high freshman in-state attendance percentages.

For example, 8 of the 11 states with freshman in-state attendance percentages over 85 percent were southern states. Seven of the 13 jurisdictions with freshman in-state attendance percentages below 60 percent were Northeastern states. Although classified as southern areas, Maryland, Delaware, and the District of Columbia also had freshman in-state attendance percentages below 60 percent. The other states with freshman in-state attendance percentages below 60 percent were Alaska, Hawaii, and Wyoming.

In Massachusetts, Delaware, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island, and the District of Columbia, 50 percent or more of the freshmen enrolled in their 4-year colleges were from out-of-state.

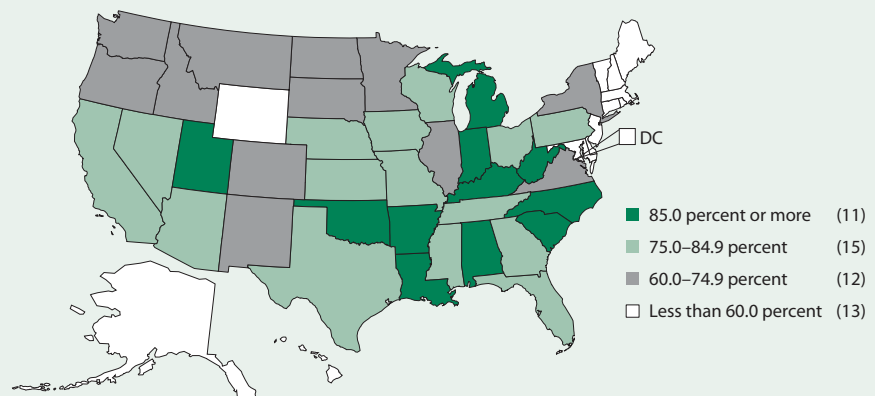
Between 1996 and 2006, there was a relatively large increase in the freshman in-state attendance percentage in some states. In Alaska, it increased 15 percentage points (from 44 to 59 percent), and in Nevada, Florida, and New Mexico, it increased more than 10 percentage points. In contrast, the freshman in-state attendance percentage decreased by 11 percentage points in Delaware and by 15 percentage points in the District of Columbia.

<sup>1</sup> Freshmen who attended private for-profit 4-year colleges are not included because some large institutions enroll distance education students only.

NOTE: Includes first-time postsecondary students who were enrolled at public and private not-for-profit 4-year degree-granting institutions that participated in Title IV federal financial aid programs. See *supplemental note 9* for more information. Foreign students studying in the United States are included as out-of-state students. See *supplemental note 1* for a list of states in each region.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Fall 2006 Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), Spring 2007.

**MOBILITY OF COLLEGE STUDENTS: Percentage of freshmen who had graduated from high school in the previous 12 months attending a public or private not-for-profit 4-year college in their home state: Fall 2006**



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## Mobility of College Students

**Table 10-1. Residence and migration of all freshmen who had graduated from high school in the previous 12 months attending public or private not-for-profit 4-year degree-granting institutions, by state: Fall 1996**

State	Total freshmen enrollment in institutions located in the state	State residents enrolled in institutions		Percentage of all enrolled freshmen who are in-state	Percentage of state's freshmen who are attending in-state	Migration of students		
		In any state <sup>1</sup>	In their home state			Out of state	Into state <sup>2</sup>	Net
<b>United States</b>	<b>1,003,639</b>	<b>984,633</b>	<b>728,323</b>	<b>72.6</b>	<b>74.0</b>	<b>256,310</b>	<b>275,316</b>	<b>19,006</b>
Alabama	16,149	13,124	10,945	67.8	83.4	2,179	5,204	3,025
Alaska	1,207	2,309	1,016	84.2	44.0	1,293	191	-1,102
Arizona	10,733	8,672	6,606	61.5	76.2	2,066	4,127	2,061
Arkansas	10,732	9,736	8,507	79.3	87.4	1,229	2,225	996
California	69,413	74,783	60,699	87.4	81.2	14,084	8,714	-5,370
Colorado	14,875	14,301	10,205	68.6	71.4	4,096	4,670	574
Connecticut	13,002	16,732	6,623	50.9	39.6	10,109	6,379	-3,730
Delaware	5,145	3,545	2,239	43.5	63.2	1,306	2,906	1,600
District of Columbia	7,633	2,154	932	12.2	43.3	1,222	6,701	5,479
Florida	28,414	28,228	20,065	70.6	71.1	8,163	8,349	186
Georgia	26,020	25,588	19,836	76.2	77.5	5,752	6,184	432
Hawaii	3,027	3,894	1,968	65.0	50.5	1,926	1,059	-867
Idaho	4,177	4,971	3,403	81.5	68.5	1,568	774	-794
Illinois	37,127	45,323	30,283	81.6	66.8	15,040	6,844	-8,196
Indiana	34,905	29,255	25,391	72.7	86.8	3,864	9,514	5,650
Iowa	16,141	13,293	10,489	65.0	78.9	2,804	5,652	2,848
Kansas	11,791	10,962	9,018	76.5	82.3	1,944	2,773	829
Kentucky	15,938	14,992	12,522	78.6	83.5	2,470	3,416	946
Louisiana	22,650	21,076	18,296	80.8	86.8	2,780	4,354	1,574
Maine	5,489	6,432	3,288	59.9	51.1	3,144	2,201	-943
Maryland	14,573	18,487	8,805	60.4	47.6	9,682	5,768	-3,914
Massachusetts	39,697	31,524	19,542	49.2	62.0	11,982	20,155	8,173
Michigan	40,751	40,271	34,935	85.7	86.7	5,336	5,816	480
Minnesota	19,385	21,082	13,629	70.3	64.6	7,453	5,756	-1,697
Mississippi	8,452	6,944	5,632	66.6	81.1	1,312	2,820	1,508
Missouri	22,290	20,922	16,377	73.5	78.3	4,545	5,913	1,368
Montana	4,734	4,620	3,370	71.2	72.9	1,250	1,364	114
Nebraska	9,847	9,347	7,524	76.4	80.5	1,823	2,323	500
Nevada	2,800	3,229	1,975	70.5	61.2	1,254	825	-429
New Hampshire	7,120	5,653	2,527	35.5	44.7	3,126	4,593	1,467
New Jersey	19,259	37,975	16,286	84.6	42.9	21,689	2,973	-18,716
New Mexico	4,342	5,389	3,351	77.2	62.2	2,038	991	-1,047
New York	77,724	82,490	58,827	75.7	71.3	23,663	18,897	-4,766
North Carolina	32,526	25,040	22,309	68.6	89.1	2,731	10,217	7,486
North Dakota	4,865	3,773	2,784	57.2	73.8	989	2,081	1,092
Ohio	48,839	47,934	39,193	80.2	81.8	8,741	9,646	905
Oklahoma	10,571	10,487	8,551	80.9	81.5	1,936	2,020	84
Oregon	9,621	9,348	6,261	65.1	67.0	3,087	3,360	273
Pennsylvania	62,568	57,181	44,220	70.7	77.3	12,961	18,348	5,387

See notes at end of table.

## Mobility of College Students

**Table 10-1. Residence and migration of all freshmen who had graduated from high school in the previous 12 months attending public or private not-for-profit 4-year degree-granting institutions, by state: Fall 1996—Continued**

State	Total freshmen enrollment in institutions located in the state	State residents enrolled in institutions		Percentage of all enrolled freshmen who are in-state	Percentage of state's freshmen who are attending in-state	Migration of students		
		In any state <sup>1</sup>	In their home state			Out of state	Into state <sup>2</sup>	Net
Rhode Island	8,291	4,455	2,160	26.1	48.5	2,295	6,131	3,836
South Carolina	16,152	13,678	11,185	69.2	81.8	2,493	4,967	2,474
South Dakota	4,198	4,166	2,961	70.5	71.1	1,205	1,237	32
Tennessee	20,853	18,196	14,175	68.0	77.9	4,021	6,678	2,657
Texas	56,837	59,833	50,845	89.5	85.0	8,988	5,992	-2,996
Utah	13,095	8,434	7,847	59.9	93.0	587	5,248	4,661
Vermont	4,871	3,097	1,461	30.0	47.2	1,636	3,410	1,774
Virginia	30,722	26,709	19,834	64.6	74.3	6,875	10,888	4,013
Washington	14,191	14,923	10,808	76.2	72.4	4,115	3,383	-732
West Virginia	11,188	9,291	7,951	71.1	85.6	1,340	3,237	1,897
Wisconsin	24,516	25,071	19,695	80.3	78.6	5,376	4,821	-555
Wyoming	1,148	1,479	741	64.5	50.1	738	407	-331
U.S. Service Academies <sup>3</sup>	3,045	†	231 <sup>4</sup>	†	†	-231	2,814	3,045
State unknown <sup>5</sup>	†	4,235	†	†	†	4,235	†	-4,235

† Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Students residing in a particular state when admitted to an institution anywhere, either in their home state or another state.

<sup>2</sup> Includes students coming to U.S. colleges from foreign countries and other jurisdictions.

<sup>3</sup> Include U.S. Air Force Academy, U.S. Coast Guard Academy, U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, U.S. Military Academy, and the U.S. Naval Academy.

<sup>4</sup> Students whose residence is in the same state as the service school.

<sup>5</sup> Institution unable to determine student's home state.

NOTE: Includes first-time postsecondary students who were enrolled at public and private not-for-profit 4-year degree-granting institutions that participated in Title IV federal financial aid programs. See *supplemental note 9* for more information.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Fall 2006 Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), "Fall Enrollment Survey" (IPEDS-EF:96).

## Mobility of College Students

**Table 10-2. Residence and migration of all freshmen who had graduated from high school in the previous 12 months attending public or private not-for-profit 4-year degree-granting institutions, by state: Fall 2006**

State	Total freshmen enrollment in institutions located in the state	State residents enrolled in institutions		Percentage of all enrolled freshmen who are in-state	Percentage of state's freshmen who are attending in-state	Migration of students		
		In any state <sup>1</sup>	In their home state			Out of state	Into state <sup>2</sup>	Net
<b>United States</b>	<b>1,326,915</b>	<b>1,304,229</b>	<b>973,232</b>	<b>73.3</b>	<b>74.6</b>	<b>330,997</b>	<b>353,683</b>	<b>22,686</b>
Alabama	21,739	17,114	14,846	68.3	86.7	2,268	6,893	4,625
Alaska	2,178	3,315	1,946	89.3	58.7	1,369	232	-1,137
Arizona	17,521	14,426	11,477	65.5	79.6	2,949	6,044	3,095
Arkansas	14,073	11,975	10,493	74.6	87.6	1,482	3,580	2,098
California	107,247	114,495	95,558	89.1	83.5	18,937	11,689	-7,248
Colorado	22,361	22,443	16,564	74.1	73.8	5,879	5,797	-82
Connecticut	17,760	22,926	9,453	53.2	41.2	13,473	8,307	-5,166
Delaware	5,100	3,725	1,925	37.7	51.7	1,800	3,175	1,375
District of Columbia	8,776	2,218	632	7.2	28.5	1,586	8,144	6,558
Florida	60,223	57,789	48,194	80.0	83.4	9,595	12,029	2,434
Georgia	37,652	38,369	29,670	78.8	77.3	8,699	7,982	-717
Hawaii	3,201	4,662	2,092	65.4	44.9	2,570	1,109	-1,461
Idaho	7,156	5,999	4,416	61.7	73.6	1,583	2,740	1,157
Illinois	48,271	59,801	38,551	79.9	64.5	21,250	9,720	-11,530
Indiana	42,857	34,619	30,080	70.2	86.9	4,539	12,777	8,238
Iowa	17,922	13,669	10,910	60.9	79.8	2,759	7,012	4,253
Kansas	13,691	13,148	10,405	76.0	79.1	2,743	3,286	543
Kentucky	20,936	18,264	15,790	75.4	86.5	2,474	5,146	2,672
Louisiana	22,520	21,470	19,186	85.2	89.4	2,284	3,334	1,050
Maine	7,371	7,782	4,506	61.1	57.9	3,276	2,865	-411
Maryland	19,171	26,691	12,379	64.6	46.4	14,312	6,792	-7,520
Massachusetts	47,947	40,663	23,915	49.9	58.8	16,748	24,032	7,284
Michigan	48,470	48,582	42,006	86.7	86.5	6,576	6,464	-112
Minnesota	25,155	28,808	18,102	72.0	62.8	10,706	7,053	-3,653
Mississippi	8,808	7,157	5,866	66.6	82.0	1,291	2,942	1,651
Missouri	26,915	24,742	19,139	71.1	77.4	5,603	7,776	2,173
Montana	5,276	4,766	3,555	67.4	74.6	1,211	1,721	510
Nebraska	10,637	10,177	8,058	75.8	79.2	2,119	2,579	460
Nevada	6,494	7,331	5,517	85.0	75.3	1,814	977	-837
New Hampshire	8,808	7,934	3,316	37.6	41.8	4,618	5,492	874
New Jersey	23,684	50,055	20,086	84.8	40.1	29,969	3,598	-26,371
New Mexico	6,729	7,767	5,634	83.7	72.5	2,133	1,095	-1,038
New York	101,299	100,889	73,581	72.6	72.9	27,308	27,718	410
North Carolina	44,324	36,377	31,929	72.0	87.8	4,448	12,395	7,947
North Dakota	5,496	3,851	2,814	51.2	73.1	1,037	2,682	1,645
Ohio	61,401	61,567	50,031	81.5	81.3	11,536	11,370	-166
Oklahoma	17,339	15,075	13,094	75.5	86.9	1,981	4,245	2,264
Oregon	12,709	11,916	8,294	65.3	69.6	3,622	4,415	793
Pennsylvania	81,766	68,470	53,754	65.7	78.5	14,716	28,012	13,296

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Rhode Island	11,510	5,487	2,973	25.8	54.2	2,514	8,537	6,023
South Carolina	20,413	16,323	14,018	68.7	85.9	2,305	6,395	4,090
South Dakota	5,470	4,894	3,652	66.8	74.6	1,242	1,818	576
Tennessee	26,822	24,529	19,696	73.4	80.3	4,833	7,126	2,293
Texas	79,356	87,570	72,842	91.8	83.2	14,728	6,514	-8,214
Utah	13,928	9,890	8,890	63.8	89.9	1,000	5,038	4,038
Vermont	5,905	3,955	1,654	28.0	41.8	2,301	4,251	1,950
Virginia	36,672	35,035	25,628	69.9	73.1	9,407	11,044	1,637
Washington	19,009	21,137	14,669	77.2	69.4	6,468	4,340	-2,128
West Virginia	11,078	7,735	6,773	61.1	87.6	962	4,305	3,343
Wisconsin	31,979	30,644	23,618	73.9	77.1	7,026	8,361	1,335
Wyoming	1,495	1,637	898	60.1	54.9	739	597	-142
U.S. Service Academies <sup>3</sup>	2,295	†	157 <sup>4</sup>	†	†	-157	2,138	2,295
State unknown <sup>5</sup>	†	4,366	†	†	†	4,366	†	-4,366

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