

Table 211.—Number and percent of students enrolled in postsecondary institutions, by level, disability status and selected student characteristics: 1999–2000

Selected student characteristics	Undergraduate			Graduate and first-professional ¹		
	All students	Disabled students ²	Nondisabled students	All students	Disabled students ²	Nondisabled students
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Total (in thousands)	16,538	1,508	15,030	2,658	161	2,497
Sex (percent)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Male	43.6	41.0	43.9	43.0	34.9	43.6
Female	56.4	59.0	56.1	57.0	65.1	56.4
Race/ethnicity of student (percent)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White, non-Hispanic	67.4	71.8	67.0	72.0	73.1	71.9
Black, non-Hispanic	12.0	11.0	12.1	8.4	12.0	8.1
Hispanic	12.0	10.3	12.2	6.8	7.7	6.8
Asian/Pacific Islander	5.8	3.3	6.0	10.5	4.3	10.9
American Indian/Alaska Native	1.0	2.1	0.8	0.5	1.3	0.5
Other	1.8	1.6	1.8	1.7	1.5	1.7
Age (percent)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
15 to 23	57.1	42.4	58.6	10.9	7.2	11.2
24 to 29	17.0	16.3	17.0	39.6	23.5	40.7
30 or older	25.9	41.4	24.4	49.4	69.3	48.2
Attendance status (percent)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Full-time, full-year	40.3	33.5	41.0	35.8	31.4	36.0
Part-time or part-year	59.7	66.5	59.0	64.2	68.6	64.0
Student housing status (percent)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
On-campus	15.1	11.3	15.5	7.2	3.9	7.4
Off-campus	58.9	66.6	58.2	87.0	90.9	86.7
With parents or relatives	25.9	22.1	26.3	5.8	5.1	5.9
Dependency status (percent)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Dependent	50.7	36.7	52.1	‡	‡	‡
Independent, unmarried	15.1	19.9	14.6	46.8	40.9	47.2
Independent, married	6.9	8.7	6.7	17.4	16.4	17.5
Independent with dependents	27.4	34.8	26.6	35.7	42.7	35.3
Veteran status (percent)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Veteran	4.2	9.9	3.6	3.7	9.5	3.3
Not veteran	95.8	90.1	96.4	96.3	90.5	96.7
Field of study (percent)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Business/management	17.8	15.7	18.0	17.7	11.7	18.0
Education	8.0	7.9	8.0	23.4	22.0	23.5
Engineering/computer science	14.1	15.2	14.0	8.2	6.6	8.3
Health	9.6	8.3	9.7	14.2	10.8	14.4
Humanities	14.6	16.3	14.4	9.1	14.6	8.7
Law	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.8	4.5	4.8
Life/physical sciences	5.8	4.8	5.9	5.9	5.8	5.9
Social/behavioral sciences	8.5	10.0	8.3	7.8	11.5	7.6
Vocational/technical	5.3	5.0	5.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
Undeclared	7.5	6.9	7.5	4.3	6.4	4.2
Other	8.9	9.8	8.8	4.7	6.1	4.6

‡ Did not meet reporting standard.

¹ First-professional includes chiropractic medicine, medicine, dentistry, optometry, osteopathic medicine, pharmacy, podiatry, and veterinary medicine.

² Disabled students are those who reported that they had one or more of the following conditions: a specific learning disability, a visual handicap, hard of hearing, deafness, a speech disability, an orthopedic handicap, or a health impairment.

NOTE: The estimates reported in this table are not directly comparable to previously reported data. Due to changes in 1999–2000 National Postsecondary Student Aid Study

(NPSAS) survey items, the percentage of students indicating some sort of disability is substantially higher than those indicating a disability in prior years, when a much shorter and different set of questions was asked. Detail may not sum to totals due to survey item nonresponse and rounding.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, "The 1999–2000 National Postsecondary Student Aid Study." (This table was prepared June 2002.)