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COLLEGE ENROLLMENT UP 17
PERCENT SINCE 2000

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ANNOUNCER:

MORE THAN 20-MILLION PEOPLE WERE ENROLLED IN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES IN 2006, ACCORDING TO THE U-S CENSUS BUREAU. THIS REPRESENTS A 17-PERCENT INCREASE IN COLLEGE ENROLLMENT SINCE 2000. THREE-MILLION WERE ENROLLED IN GRADUATE PROGRAMS, WHILE 17-MILLION WERE UNDERGRADUATE ENROLLEES. WOMEN MAKE UP 56-PERCENT OF UNDERGRADUATES AND 59-PERCENT OF GRADUATE STUDENTS. HIGH SCHOOLS SHOWED A SMALLER INCREASE IN ENROLLMENT SINCE 2000, RISING ONE-MILLION TO 17-MILLION IN 2006. NURSERY, KINDERGARTEN, AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS ALL SHOWED A DECLINE IN ENROLLMENT, FROM 43-MILLION IN 2000 TO 41-MILLION IN 2006. THESE FIGURES ON SCHOOL ENROLLMENT INCLUDE DATA ON AGE, SEX, RACE, AND HISPANIC ORIGIN. FOR MORE DETAILS, VISIT W-W-W-DOT-CENSUS-DOT-GOV.

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