

Table 269. Higher Education—Institutions and Enrollment 1980 to 2007

[As of fall (686 represents 686,000). Covers universities, colleges, professional schools, junior and teachers' colleges, both publicly and privately controlled, regular session. Includes estimates for institutions not reporting. See also Appendix III]

Item	Unit	1980	1990	2000	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
ALL INSTITUTIONS									
Number of institutions ¹	Number	3,231	3,559	4,182	4,236	4,216	4,276	4,314	4,352
4-year	Number	1,957	2,141	2,450	2,530	2,533	2,582	2,629	2,675
2-year	Number	1,274	1,418	1,732	1,706	1,683	1,694	1,685	1,677
Instructional staff— (lecturer or above) ²	1,000	686	817	(NA)	1,175	(NA)	1,290	(NA)	(NA)
Percent full-time	Percent	66	61	(NA)	54	(NA)	52	(NA)	(NA)
Total enrollment ^{3, 4}	1,000	12,097	13,819	15,312	16,900	17,272	17,487	17,759	18,248
Male	1,000	5,874	6,284	6,722	7,256	7,387	7,456	7,575	7,816
Female	1,000	6,223	7,535	8,591	9,645	9,885	10,032	10,184	10,432
4-year institutions	1,000	7,571	8,579	9,364	10,408	10,726	10,999	11,240	11,630
2-year institutions	1,000	4,526	5,240	5,948	6,493	6,546	6,488	6,519	6,618
Full-time	1,000	7,098	7,821	9,010	10,312	10,610	10,797	10,957	11,270
Part-time	1,000	4,999	5,998	6,303	6,589	6,662	6,690	6,802	6,978
Public	1,000	9,457	10,845	11,753	12,857	12,980	13,022	13,180	13,491
Private	1,000	2,640	2,974	3,560	4,043	4,292	4,466	4,579	4,757
Not-for-profit	1,000	2,528	2,760	3,109	3,341	3,412	3,455	3,513	3,571
For profit	1,000	112	213	450	703	880	1,011	1,066	1,186
Undergraduate ⁴	1,000	10,475	11,959	13,155	14,474	14,781	14,964	15,184	15,604
Men	1,000	5,000	5,380	5,778	6,224	6,340	6,409	6,513	6,728
Women	1,000	5,475	6,579	7,377	8,250	8,441	8,555	8,671	8,876
First-time freshmen	1,000	2,588	2,257	2,428	2,605	2,630	2,657	2,707	(NA)
First professional	1,000	278	273	307	329	335	337	343	351
Men	1,000	199	167	164	166	168	170	174	178
Women	1,000	78	107	143	163	166	167	170	173
Graduate ⁴	1,000	1,343	1,586	1,850	2,098	2,157	2,186	2,231	2,294
Men	1,000	675	737	780	865	879	877	887	910
Women	1,000	670	849	1,071	1,233	1,278	1,309	1,344	1,383
2-YEAR INSTITUTIONS									
Number of institutions ^{1, 5}	Number	1,274	1,418	1,732	1,706	1,683	1,694	1,685	1,677
Public	Number	945	972	1,076	1,086	1,061	1,053	1,045	1,032
Private	Number	329	446	656	620	622	641	640	645
Instructional staff— (lecturer or above) ²	1,000	192	(NA)	(NA)	359	(NA)	373	(NA)	(NA)
Enrollment ^{3, 4}	1,000	4,526	5,240	5,948	6,494	6,546	6,488	6,519	6,618
Public	1,000	4,329	4,996	5,697	6,209	6,244	6,184	6,225	6,324
Private	1,000	198	244	251	285	302	304	293	294
Male	1,000	2,047	2,233	2,559	2,690	2,698	2,680	2,705	(NA)
Female	1,000	2,479	3,007	3,390	3,804	3,848	3,808	3,814	(NA)
4-YEAR INSTITUTIONS									
Number of institutions ^{1, 5}	Number	1,957	2,141	2,450	2,530	2,533	2,582	2,629	2,675
Public	Number	552	595	622	634	639	640	643	653
Private	Number	1,405	1,546	1,828	1,896	1,894	1,942	1,986	2,022
Instructional staff— (lecturer or above) ²	1,000	494	(NA)	(NA)	814	(NA)	917	(NA)	(NA)
Enrollment ^{3, 4}	1,000	7,571	8,579	9,364	10,417	10,726	10,999	11,240	11,630
Public	1,000	5,129	5,848	6,055	6,649	6,737	6,838	6,955	7,167
Private	1,000	2,442	2,730	3,308	3,768	3,990	4,162	4,285	4,464
Male	1,000	3,827	4,051	4,163	4,570	4,690	4,776	4,870	(NA)
Female	1,000	3,743	4,527	5,201	5,847	6,037	6,224	6,370	(NA)

NA Not available. ¹ Number of institutions includes count of branch campuses. Due to revised survey procedures, data beginning 1990 are not comparable with previous years. Beginning 1996 (2000 for this table), data reflect a new classification of institutions; this classification includes some additional, primarily 2-year, colleges and excludes a few institutions that did not award degrees. Includes institutions that were eligible to participate in Title IV federal financial aid programs. ² Due to revised survey methods, data beginning 1990 not comparable with previous years. ³ Branch campuses counted according to actual status, e.g., 2-year branch in 2-year category. ⁴ Includes unclassified students. (Students taking courses for credit, but are not candidates for degrees.) ⁵ Includes schools accredited by the National Association of Trade and Technical Schools.