

Table 279. College Enrollment by Selected Characteristics: 1990 to 2009

[In thousands (13,818.6 represents 13,818,600). As of fall. Nonresident alien students are not distributed among racial/ethnic groups]

Characteristic	1990	2000 ¹	2005 ¹	2006 ¹	2007 ¹	2008 ¹	2009 ¹
Total	13,818.6	15,312.3	17,487.5	17,758.9	18,248.1	19,102.8	20,427.7
Male.....	6,283.9	6,721.8	7,455.9	7,574.8	7,815.9	8,188.9	8,769.5
Female.....	7,534.7	8,590.5	10,031.6	10,184.1	10,432.2	10,913.9	11,658.2
Public.....	10,844.7	11,752.8	13,021.8	13,180.1	13,490.8	13,972.2	14,810.6
Private.....	2,973.9	3,559.5	4,465.6	4,578.7	4,757.3	5,130.7	5,617.1
2-year.....	5,240.1	5,948.4	6,488.1	6,518.5	6,617.9	6,971.4	7,521.4
4-year.....	8,578.6	9,363.9	10,999.4	11,240.3	11,630.2	12,131.4	12,906.3
Undergraduate.....	11,959.2	13,155.4	14,964.0	15,184.3	15,603.8	16,365.7	17,565.3
Graduate.....	1,586.2	1,850.3	2,186.5	2,231.1	2,293.6	(NA)	(NA)
First professional.....	273.4	306.6	337.0	343.4	350.8	(NA)	(NA)
White ²	10,722.5	10,462.1	11,495.4	11,572.4	11,756.2	12,088.8	12,730.8
Male.....	4,861.0	4,634.6	5,007.2	5,046.2	5,146.1	5,302.9	5,594.4
Female.....	5,861.5	5,827.5	6,488.2	6,526.2	6,610.1	6,785.9	7,136.4
Public.....	8,385.4	7,963.4	8,518.2	8,540.5	8,640.3	8,817.7	9,234.6
Private.....	2,337.0	2,498.7	2,977.3	3,032.0	3,116.0	3,271.1	3,496.2
2-year.....	3,954.3	3,804.1	3,998.6	3,969.1	3,975.2	4,101.6	4,373.4
4-year.....	6,768.1	6,658.0	7,496.9	7,603.4	7,781.0	7,987.1	8,357.4
Undergraduate.....	9,272.6	8,983.5	9,828.6	9,885.4	10,046.6	10,339.2	10,915.3
Graduate.....	1,228.4	1,258.5	1,428.7	1,445.3	1,465.0	(NA)	(NA)
First professional.....	221.5	220.1	238.1	241.7	244.7	(NA)	(NA)
Black ²	1,247.0	1,730.3	2,214.6	2,279.6	2,383.4	2,584.5	2,919.8
Male.....	484.7	635.3	774.1	795.4	838.1	911.8	1,037.1
Female.....	762.3	1,095.0	1,440.4	1,484.2	1,545.3	1,672.7	1,882.7
Public.....	976.4	1,319.2	1,580.4	1,612.6	1,667.6	1,759.2	1,937.2
Private.....	270.6	411.1	634.2	667.0	715.7	825.3	982.7
2-year.....	524.3	734.9	901.1	917.9	941.7	1,019.5	1,152.8
4-year.....	722.8	995.4	1,313.4	1,361.7	1,441.7	1,565.0	1,767.0
Undergraduate.....	1,147.2	1,548.9	1,955.4	2,005.7	2,092.6	2,269.3	2,577.4
Graduate.....	83.9	157.9	233.2	247.2	263.5	(NA)	(NA)
First professional.....	15.9	23.5	26.0	26.8	27.3	(NA)	(NA)
Hispanic.....	782.4	1,461.8	1,882.0	1,964.3	2,076.2	2,272.9	2,546.7
Male.....	353.9	627.1	774.6	810.0	861.6	946.7	1,066.3
Female.....	428.5	834.7	1,107.3	1,154.3	1,214.5	1,326.1	1,480.4
Public.....	671.4	1,229.3	1,525.6	1,594.3	1,685.4	1,832.4	2,017.7
Private.....	111.0	232.5	356.4	370.1	390.7	440.5	529.0
2-year.....	424.2	843.9	981.5	1,014.3	1,067.4	1,180.7	1,309.0
4-year.....	358.2	617.9	900.5	950.0	1,008.7	1,092.2	1,237.7
Undergraduate.....	724.6	1,351.0	1,733.6	1,810.1	1,915.9	2,103.5	2,362.5
Graduate.....	47.2	95.4	130.7	135.8	140.9	(NA)	(NA)
First professional.....	10.7	15.4	17.7	18.4	19.3	(NA)	(NA)
American Indian/Alaska Native.....	102.8	151.2	176.3	181.1	190.0	193.3	207.9
Male.....	43.1	61.4	68.4	71.2	74.4	76.9	83.4
Female.....	59.7	89.7	107.9	110.0	115.6	116.4	124.5
Public.....	90.4	127.3	143.0	145.9	153.3	153.0	161.8
Private.....	12.4	23.9	33.3	35.2	36.7	40.3	46.1
2-year.....	54.9	74.7	80.7	81.1	81.4	85.5	90.3
4-year.....	47.9	76.5	95.6	100.0	108.6	108.6	117.7
Undergraduate.....	95.5	138.5	160.4	164.2	171.3	175.6	189.4
Graduate.....	6.2	10.3	13.4	14.5	16.1	(NA)	(NA)
First professional.....	1.1	2.3	2.5	2.5	2.6	(NA)	(NA)
Asian/Pacific Islander.....	572.4	978.2	1,134.4	1,165.5	1,217.9	1,302.8	1,337.7
Male.....	294.9	465.9	522.0	536.0	562.5	597.4	621.5
Female.....	277.5	512.3	612.4	629.5	655.4	705.4	716.1
Public.....	461.0	770.5	881.9	903.8	942.5	982.9	1,018.5
Private.....	111.5	207.7	252.4	261.7	275.4	319.9	319.1
2-year.....	215.2	401.9	434.4	442.8	456.4	479.4	495.7
4-year.....	357.2	576.3	700.0	722.7	761.5	823.4	842.0
Undergraduate.....	500.5	845.5	971.4	997.9	1,042.1	1,117.9	1,142.3
Graduate.....	53.2	95.8	118.4	121.9	127.8	(NA)	(NA)
First professional.....	18.7	36.8	44.6	45.7	46.0	(NA)	(NA)
Nonresident alien.....	391.5	528.7	584.8	595.9	624.5	660.6	684.8
Male.....	246.3	297.3	309.5	316.1	333.2	353.3	366.7
Female.....	145.2	231.4	275.3	279.8	291.2	307.3	318.1
Public.....	260.0	343.1	372.8	383.1	401.7	427.0	440.8
Private.....	131.4	185.6	212.0	212.8	222.8	233.6	244.0
2-year.....	67.1	89.0	91.8	93.4	95.8	104.7	100.2
4-year.....	324.3	439.7	493.1	502.5	528.7	555.9	584.6
Undergraduate.....	218.7	288.0	314.7	321.0	335.3	360.3	378.4
Graduate.....	167.3	232.3	262.1	266.4	280.3	(NA)	(NA)
First professional.....	5.4	8.4	8.1	8.4	8.8	(NA)	(NA)

NA Not available. ¹ Data beginning 2000 reflect a new classification of institutions; see footnote 1, Table 278. ² Non-Hispanic.Source: U.S. National Center for Education Statistics, *Digest of Education Statistics*, annual. See also <<http://www.nces.ed.gov/programs/digest/>>.