

Table 303.30. Total fall enrollment in degree-granting postsecondary institutions, by level and control of institution, attendance status, and sex of student: Selected years, 1970 through 2027														
Level and control of institution, attendance status, and sex of student	Actual													
	1970	1975	1980\1\	1985	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Total	8,580,887	11,184,859	12,096,895	12,247,055	13,818,637	14,261,781	15,312,289	17,487,475	21,019,438	20,644,478	20,376,677	20,209,092	19,988,204	19,841,014
Full-time	5,816,290	6,841,334	7,097,958	7,075,221	7,820,985	8,128,802	9,009,600	10,797,011	13,087,182	12,734,404	12,596,610	12,454,464	12,287,512	12,126,325
Males	3,504,095	3,926,753	3,689,244	3,607,720	3,807,752	3,807,392	4,111,093	4,803,388	5,838,383	5,708,406	5,682,322	5,619,778	5,558,447	5,473,169
Females	2,312,195	2,914,581	3,408,714	3,467,501	4,013,233	4,321,410	4,898,507	5,993,623	7,248,799	7,025,998	6,914,288	6,834,686	6,729,065	6,653,156
Part-time	2,764,597	4,343,525	4,998,937	5,171,834	5,997,652	6,132,979	6,302,689	6,690,464	7,932,256	7,910,074	7,780,067	7,754,628	7,700,692	7,714,689
Males	1,539,547	2,222,244	2,185,130	2,210,730	2,476,157	2,535,147	2,610,676	2,652,537	3,207,376	3,210,600	3,178,875	3,177,752	3,165,372	3,162,530
Females	1,225,050	2,121,281	2,813,807	2,961,104	3,521,495	3,597,832	3,692,013	4,037,927	4,724,880	4,699,474	4,601,192	4,576,876	4,535,320	4,552,159
4-year	6,261,502	7,214,740	7,570,608	7,715,978	8,578,554	8,769,252	9,363,858	10,999,420	13,335,841	13,476,638	13,406,033	13,494,414	13,488,743	13,750,769
Full-time	4,587,379	5,080,256	5,344,163	5,384,614	5,937,023	6,151,755	6,792,551	8,150,209	9,721,803	9,792,607	9,760,336	9,793,357	9,776,828	9,816,107
Males	2,732,796	2,891,192	2,809,528	2,781,412	2,926,360	2,929,177	3,115,252	3,649,622	4,355,153	4,402,749	4,402,528	4,419,130	4,414,743	4,414,959
Females	1,854,583	2,189,064	2,534,635	2,603,202	3,010,663	3,222,578	3,677,299	4,500,587	5,366,650	5,389,858	5,357,808	5,374,227	5,362,085	5,401,148
Part-time	1,674,123	2,134,484	2,226,445	2,331,364	2,641,531	2,617,497	2,571,307	2,849,211	3,614,038	3,684,031	3,645,697	3,701,057	3,711,915	3,934,662
Males	936,189	1,092,461	1,017,813	1,034,804	1,124,780	1,084,753	1,047,917	1,125,935	1,424,721	1,470,164	1,460,229	1,484,380	1,491,001	1,584,218
Females	737,934	1,042,023	1,208,632	1,296,560	1,516,751	1,532,744	1,523,390	1,723,276	2,189,317	2,213,867	2,185,468	2,216,677	2,220,914	2,350,444
Public 4-year	4,232,722	4,998,142	5,128,612	5,209,540	5,848,242	5,814,545	6,055,398	6,837,605	7,924,108	8,092,602	8,120,437	8,257,108	8,348,539	8,741,896
Full-time	3,086,491	3,469,821	3,592,193	3,623,341	4,033,654	4,084,711	4,371,218	5,021,745	5,811,214	5,909,868	5,934,886	6,011,908	6,081,177	6,235,210
Males	1,813,584	1,947,823	1,873,397	1,863,689	1,982,369	1,951,140	2,008,618	2,295,456	2,707,307	2,756,885	2,772,514	2,806,792	2,833,998	2,893,837
Females	1,272,907	1,521,998	1,718,796	1,759,652	2,051,285	2,133,571	2,362,600	2,726,289	3,103,907	3,152,983	3,162,372	3,205,116	3,247,179	3,341,373
Part-time	1,146,231	1,528,321	1,536,419	1,586,199	1,814,588	1,729,834	1,684,180	1,815,860	2,112,894	2,182,734	2,185,551	2,245,200	2,267,362	2,506,686
Males	609,422	760,469	685,051	693,115	764,248	720,042	683,100	724,375	860,968	901,212	911,023	941,104	955,658	1,065,024
Females	536,809	767,852	851,368	893,084	1,050,340	1,009,432	1,001,080	1,091,485	1,251,926	1,281,522	1,274,528	1,304,096	1,311,704	1,441,662
Private 4-year	2,028,780	2,216,598	2,441,996	2,506,438	2,730,312	2,954,707	3,308,460	4,161,815	5,411,733	5,384,036	5,285,596	5,237,306	5,140,204	5,008,873
Full-time	1,500,888	1,610,435	1,751,970	1,761,273	1,903,369	2,067,044	2,421,333	3,128,464	3,910,589	3,882,739	3,825,450	3,781,449	3,695,651	3,580,897
Males	919,212	943,369	936,131	917,723	943,991	978,037	1,106,634	1,354,166	1,647,846	1,645,864	1,630,014	1,612,338	1,580,745	1,521,122
Females	581,676	667,066	815,839	843,550	959,378	1,089,007	1,314,699	1,774,298	2,262,743	2,236,875	2,195,436	2,169,111	2,114,906	2,059,775
Part-time	527,892	606,163	690,026	745,165	826,943	887,663	887,127	1,033,351	1,501,144	1,501,297	1,460,146	1,455,857	1,444,553	1,427,976
Males	326,767	331,992	332,762	341,689	360,532	364,351	364,817	401,560	563,753	568,952	549,206	543,276	535,343	519,194
Females	201,125	274,171	357,264	403,476	466,411	523,312	522,310	631,791	937,391	932,345	910,940	912,581	909,210	908,782
Nonprofit 4-year	2,021,121	2,198,451	2,413,693	2,463,000	2,671,069	2,853,890	3,050,575	3,411,170	3,821,799	3,913,690	3,939,199	3,966,873	4,015,882	4,027,240
Full-time	1,494,625	1,596,074	1,733,014	1,727,707	1,859,124	1,989,457	2,226,028	2,534,793	2,864,640	2,927,108	2,957,476	2,981,188	3,009,240	3,019,670
Males	914,020	930,842	921,253	894,080	915,100	931,956	996,113	1,109,075	1,259,638	1,288,669	1,301,864	1,313,286	1,320,947	1,318,415
Females	580,605	665,232	811,761	833,627	944,024	1,057,501	1,229,915	1,425,718	1,605,002	1,638,439	1,655,612	1,667,902	1,688,293	1,701,255
Part-time	526,496	602,377	680,679	735,293	811,945	864,433	824,547	876,377	957,159	986,582	981,723	985,685	1,006,642	1,007,570
Males	325,693	329,662	327,986	336,168	352,106	351,874	332,814	339,572	366,735	377,521	378,324	379,513	385,942	384,369
Females	200,803	272,715	352,693	399,125	459,839	512,559	491,733	536,805	590,424	609,061	603,399	606,172	620,700	623,201
For-profit 4-year	7,659	18,147	28,303	43,438	59,243	100,817	257,885	750,645	1,589,934	1,470,346	1,346,397	1,270,433	1,124,322	981,633
2-year	2,319,385	3,970,119	4,526,287	4,531,077	5,240,083	5,492,529	5,948,431	6,488,055	7,683,597	7,167,840	6,970,644	6,714,678	6,499,461	6,090,245
Full-time	1,228,911	1,761,078	1,753,795	1,690,607	1,883,962	1,977,047	2,217,049	2,646,802	3,365,379	2,941,797	2,836,274	2,661,107	2,510,684	2,310,218
Males	771,299	1,035,561	879,716	826,308	881,392	878,215	995,841	1,153,766	1,483,230	1,305,657	1,279,794	1,200,648	1,143,704	1,058,210
Females	457,612	725,517	874,079	864,299	1,002,570	1,098,832	1,221,208	1,493,036	1,882,149	1,636,140	1,556,480	1,460,459	1,366,980	1,252,008
Part-time	1,090,474	2,209,041	2,772,492	2,840,470	3,356,121	3,515,482	3,731,382	3,841,253	4,318,218	4,226,043	4,134,370	4,053,571	3,988,777	3,780,027
Males	603,358	1,129,783	1,167,317	1,175,926	1,351,377	1,450,394	1,562,759	1,526,602	1,782,655	1,740,436	1,718,646	1,693,372	1,674,371	1,578,312
Females	487,116	1,079,258	1,605,175	1,664,544	2,004,744	2,065,088	2,168,623	2,314,651	2,535,563	2,485,607	2,415,724	2,360,199	2,314,406	2,201,715
Public 2-year	2,195,412	3,836,366	4,328,782	4,269,733	4,996,475	5,277,829	5,697,388	6,184,229	7,218,063	6,792,065	6,626,411	6,397,552	6,224,304	5,841,076
Full-time	1,129,165	1,662,621	1,595,493	1,496,905	1,716,843	1,840,590	2,000,008	2,387,016	2,950,024	2,615,331	2,532,530	2,385,023	2,272,769	2,092,340
Males	720,440	988,701	811,871	742,673	810,664	818,605	891,282	1,055,029	1,340,820	1,197,301	1,177,901	1,107,410	1,062,633	983,981
Females	408,725	673,920	783,622	754,232	906,179	1,021,985	1,108,726	1,331,987	1,609,204	1,418,030	1,354,629	1,277,613	1,210,136	1,108,359
Part-time	1,066,247	2,173,745	2,733,289	2,772,828	3,279,632	3,437,239	3,697,380	3,797,213	4,268,039					

--Not available.

\1\Large increase in private 2-year institutions in 1980 is due to the addition of schools accredited by the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges of Technology.

NOTE: Data through 1995 are for institutions of higher education, while later data are for degree-granting institutions. Degree-granting institutions grant associate's or higher degrees and participate in Title IV federal financial aid programs. The degree-granting classification is very similar to the earlier higher education classification, but it includes more 2-year colleges and excludes a few higher education institutions that did not grant degrees. Some data have been revised from previously published figures.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Higher Education General Information Survey (HEGIS), "Fall Enrollment in Colleges and Universities" surveys, 1970 through 1985; Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), "Fall Enrollment Survey" (IPEDS-EF:90-99); IPEDS Spring 2001 through Spring 2017, Fall Enrollment component; and Enrollment in Degree-Granting Institutions Projection Model, 2000 through 2027. (This table was prepared April 2018.)

Projected										
2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
19,831,000	19,924,000	20,014,000	20,047,000	20,085,000	20,129,000	20,186,000	20,259,000	20,334,000	20,417,000	20,453,000
12,085,000	12,128,000	12,166,000	12,164,000	12,166,000	12,178,000	12,197,000	12,230,000	12,273,000	12,319,000	12,325,000
5,464,000	5,482,000	5,499,000	5,496,000	5,495,000	5,499,000	5,507,000	5,523,000	5,542,000	5,562,000	5,565,000
6,621,000	6,646,000	6,667,000	6,668,000	6,671,000	6,679,000	6,690,000	6,707,000	6,731,000	6,756,000	6,760,000
7,746,000	7,796,000	7,847,000	7,883,000	7,919,000	7,952,000	7,989,000	8,029,000	8,061,000	8,099,000	8,129,000
3,173,000	3,193,000	3,214,000	3,230,000	3,244,000	3,257,000	3,272,000	3,287,000	3,300,000	3,318,000	3,332,000
4,572,000	4,603,000	4,633,000	4,654,000	4,675,000	4,695,000	4,717,000	4,743,000	4,761,000	4,781,000	4,797,000
13,203,000	13,260,000	13,316,000	13,341,000	13,369,000	13,397,000	13,432,000	13,477,000	13,524,000	13,579,000	13,605,000
9,484,000	9,513,000	9,542,000	9,544,000	9,548,000	9,554,000	9,567,000	9,591,000	9,623,000	9,658,000	9,667,000
4,277,000	4,288,000	4,301,000	4,301,000	4,302,000	4,304,000	4,309,000	4,320,000	4,334,000	4,349,000	4,353,000
5,207,000	5,225,000	5,241,000	5,243,000	5,246,000	5,251,000	5,258,000	5,271,000	5,289,000	5,309,000	5,314,000
3,719,000	3,747,000	3,775,000	3,797,000	3,821,000	3,843,000	3,865,000	3,885,000	3,901,000	3,921,000	3,938,000
1,501,000	1,513,000	1,524,000	1,534,000	1,544,000	1,553,000	1,562,000	1,570,000	1,577,000	1,586,000	1,593,000
2,218,000	2,234,000	2,250,000	2,263,000	2,277,000	2,289,000	2,302,000	2,315,000	2,324,000	2,335,000	2,345,000
8,381,000	8,416,000	8,451,000	8,466,000	8,481,000	8,497,000	8,519,000	8,548,000	8,578,000	8,613,000	8,629,000
6,024,000	6,042,000	6,060,000	6,061,000	6,062,000	6,065,000	6,073,000	6,089,000	6,110,000	6,132,000	6,137,000
2,799,000	2,806,000	2,814,000	2,814,000	2,814,000	2,814,000	2,818,000	2,825,000	2,834,000	2,844,000	2,847,000
3,225,000	3,236,000	3,246,000	3,247,000	3,248,000	3,251,000	3,255,000	3,264,000	3,275,000	3,288,000	3,290,000
2,357,000	2,374,000	2,391,000	2,405,000	2,419,000	2,433,000	2,446,000	2,459,000	2,469,000	2,481,000	2,491,000
1,002,000	1,009,000	1,017,000	1,023,000	1,029,000	1,035,000	1,041,000	1,046,000	1,050,000	1,056,000	1,061,000
1,355,000	1,365,000	1,374,000	1,382,000	1,390,000	1,397,000	1,405,000	1,413,000	1,419,000	1,425,000	1,431,000
4,822,000	4,844,000	4,865,000	4,876,000	4,887,000	4,899,000	4,913,000	4,929,000	4,946,000	4,966,000	4,977,000
3,460,000	3,471,000	3,482,000	3,483,000	3,486,000	3,489,000	3,494,000	3,503,000	3,513,000	3,526,000	3,530,000
1,478,000	1,482,000	1,487,000	1,487,000	1,488,000	1,489,000	1,491,000	1,495,000	1,499,000	1,505,000	1,506,000
1,982,000	1,989,000	1,995,000	1,996,000	1,998,000	2,000,000	2,003,000	2,008,000	2,014,000	2,021,000	2,024,000
1,362,000	1,373,000	1,384,000	1,392,000	1,402,000	1,410,000	1,419,000	1,427,000	1,433,000	1,440,000	1,447,000
499,000	503,000	507,000	511,000	515,000	518,000	522,000	524,000	527,000	530,000	533,000
863,000	870,000	876,000	881,000	887,000	892,000	897,000	902,000	906,000	910,000	914,000
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6,628,000	6,664,000	6,697,000	6,706,000	6,716,000	6,733,000	6,755,000	6,782,000	6,810,000	6,839,000	6,848,000
2,602,000	2,614,000	2,625,000	2,620,000	2,618,000	2,624,000	2,630,000	2,638,000	2,650,000	2,661,000	2,658,000
1,188,000	1,194,000	1,199,000	1,195,000	1,193,000	1,195,000	1,198,000	1,203,000	1,208,000	1,213,000	1,211,000
1,414,000	1,421,000	1,426,000	1,425,000	1,425,000	1,428,000	1,432,000	1,436,000	1,442,000	1,447,000	1,446,000
4,026,000	4,049,000	4,073,000	4,086,000	4,098,000	4,109,000	4,125,000	4,144,000	4,160,000	4,178,000	4,191,000
1,672,000	1,680,000	1,689,000	1,695,000	1,700,000	1,704,000	1,710,000	1,717,000	1,723,000	1,732,000	1,738,000
2,354,000	2,369,000	2,383,000	2,391,000	2,399,000	2,405,000	2,415,000	2,427,000	2,437,000	2,446,000	2,452,000
6,347,000	6,381,000	6,413,000	6,423,000	6,433,000	6,448,000	6,470,000	6,496,000	6,523,000	6,550,000	6,560,000
2,356,000	2,368,000	2,377,000	2,373,000	2,371,000	2,376,000	2,382,000	2,389,000	2,400,000	2,409,000	2,407,000
1,104,000	1,110,000	1,114,000	1,111,000	1,110,000	1,111,000	1,114,000	1,118,000	1,123,000	1,128,000	1,126,000
1,252,000	1,258,000	1,263,000	1,261,000	1,261,000	1,264,000	1,267,000	1,271,000	1,276,000	1,281,000	1,280,000
3,991,000	4,013,000	4,036,000	4,050,000	4,062,000	4,073,000	4,088,000	4,107,000	4,123,000	4,141,000	4,153,000
1,664,000	1,671,000	1,681,000	1,687,000	1,691,000	1,695,000	1,701,000	1,708,000	1,714,000	1,723,000	1,729,000
2,327,000	2,342,000	2,356,000	2,364,000	2,371,000	2,378,000	2,387,000	2,399,000	2,409,000	2,418,000	2,424,000
281,000	283,000	284,000	284,000	283,000	284,000	285,000	286,000	287,000	288,000	288,000
246,000	247,000	248,000	247,000	247,000	248,000	248,000	249,000	250,000	251,000	251,000
83,000	84,000	84,000	84,000	84,000	84,000	84,000	84,000	85,000	85,000	85,000
162,000	163,000	164,000	163,000	163,000	164,000	164,000	165,000	165,000	166,000	166,000
36,000	36,000	36,000	36,000	36,000	36,000	37,000	37,000	37,000	37,000	37,000
9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000
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