

Student Diversity on Ohio's State-Supported Campuses

Questions: What races/ethnicities are represented on Ohio's college campuses? What percent of Ohio undergraduates are out-of-state or foreign students? What percent of undergraduate students attend college part-time? What percent of undergraduate students are older than age 24? These are all questions pertaining to student diversity. How does Ohio undergraduate student diversity compare to the nation's undergraduates or to Ohio's resident population? Has it changed over time? How does undergraduate student diversity vary by type of college or institution?

Why ask about student diversity? For some students, college is the first time they are exposed to other students who are of different races, come from different states or countries, or have family concerns and responsibilities that are different from their own. For other students, college represents a continued exposure to others who look different, come from different cultures, or have different family responsibilities. Prospective students and their families may, however, make conscious choices about a college or university based upon the diversity of a campus's undergraduate population.

National Answers: The undergraduates enrolled in Ohio's state-supported colleges and universities are similar to their national counterparts. The exception to this is that the Hispanic student population in Ohio is much more similar to the resident population Hispanics in Ohio than the nation. The Ohio undergraduate population appears to be becoming somewhat younger, just as the national undergraduate population is moving proportionately in the same direction.

Statewide Answers: There is diversity in Ohio's undergraduate population. The greatest proportion of Ohio's state-supported undergraduate students is white and traditional in age (younger than age 25). The statewide percentage of part-time undergraduate students and the percentage of students over age 24 are higher in Ohio than the national average.

Ethnicity	US Higher Education Undergraduates*		Ohio State-Supported College and University Undergraduates			Ohio Residents 2000 Census**
	1998	2000	1998	1999	2000	2000
American Indian	1%	1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%
Asian American	6%	6%	2%	2%	2%	1%
Black American	11%	11%	11%	11%	11%	12%
Hispanic American	9%	10%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Foreign Student	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	NA
White American	70%	69%	81%	81%	81%	85%
Race Unknown	NA	NA	3%	3%	3%	NA

Other Measures of Diversity

Part-Time	30%	28%	40%	40%	40%	NA
Over 24 years of age	30%	28%	34%	33%	32%	NA*
Female	55%	55%	56%	56%	56%	51%
Out-of-State U.S. Students	NA	NA	5%	6%	6%	NA

* Chronicle of Higher Education, 2000 and 2001 Almanac

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Sector Answers: There is great variation in selected diversity measures among Ohio's academic year 2000 undergraduate population by type of college. Community colleges have the greatest diversity of undergraduate students (undergraduates = 75% white and 18% black) and are serving many non-traditional students (undergraduates older than age 24 = 52%; undergraduate part-time students = 70%). Variability on these measures is evident across the type of colleges. A majority (82%) of undergraduate students on public university main campuses is younger than 25 years of age.

Percent of Undergraduate Students on Selected Diversity Measures – Autumn, 2000

Sector	Am Indian	Asian Am	Black Am	Hisp Am	Foreign Student	White	Race ?	Part-time	Over 24	Women	Out of State US
Community Colleges	<1%	2%	18%	2%	1%	75%	2%	70%	52%	61%	1%
State Community Colleges	1%	2%	13%	2%	1%	79%	2%	66%	48%	54%	4%
Technical Colleges	1%	1%	6%	1%	<1%	90%	2%	54%	48%	59%	2%
University Branches	1%	1%	4%	1%	<1%	88%	5%	49%	36%	62%	2%
University Main	<1%	2%	10%	2%	2%	80%	4%	20%	18%	54%	9%

Campus Answers: There is great diversity among Ohio's undergraduate population by institution and by campus.

- Cuyahoga Community College's Eastern and Metro Campuses have the greatest percentage of non-white (or foreign) undergraduates of all two-year colleges (58% and 65% non-white respectively). Central State University, Ohio's only historically black public university, serves the greatest percentage of non-white undergraduates (98% non-white or foreign), although the actual number of undergraduates at Central State is the smallest (1,044 undergraduates total) of all four-year campuses.
- The part-time undergraduate population at Cuyahoga Community College's Eastern Campus is 80%, highest in the state for all colleges and universities. Miami University's and Ohio University's part-time undergraduate population of 7% are the lowest in the entire state.
- The undergraduate population that is older than age 24 is greatest at 63% on the Metro and Eastern Campuses of Cuyahoga Community College for two-year institutions, and Cleveland State's undergraduate population that is older than age 24 is 44%, the highest for university main campuses.

Percent of Undergraduate Students on Selected Diversity Measures – Community Colleges

Campus	Am Indian	Asian Am	Black Am	Hisp Am	Foreign Student	White	Race ?	Part-time	> 24 yrs.	Women	Out of State US
Cuyahoga Community College, Eastern Campus	<1%	2%	48%	1%	3%	42%	3%	80%	63%	71%	<1%
Cuyahoga Community College, Metro Campus	1%	2%	51%	4%	4%	35%	4%	69%	63%	65%	<1%
Cuyahoga Community College, Western Campus	1%	2%	6%	3%	2%	85%	3%	73%	47%	58%	1%
Jefferson Community College	<1%	<1%	5%	<1%	1%	94%	0%	49%	43%	60%	16%
Lakeland Community College	<1%	1%	5%	1%	1%	92%	1%	70%	47%	57%	<1%
Lorain County Community College	1%	1%	7%	6%	1%	85%	1%	66%	43%	65%	1%
Rio Grande Community College	1%	<1%	2%	<1%	<1%	73%	24%	28%	33%	58%	0%
Sinclair Community College	<1%	2%	17%	1%	1%	79%	0%	71%	56%	59%	2%

Percent of Undergraduate Students on Selected Diversity Measures – State Community Colleges

Campus	Am Indian	Asian Am	Black Am	Hisp Am	Foreign Student	White	Race ?	Part-time	>24 yrs.	Women	Out of State US
Cincinnati State Technical & Community College	<1%	2%	23%	1%	<1%	66%	8%	64%	49%	52%	11%
Clark State Community College	1%	1%	10%	1%	<1%	83%	4%	65%	49%	67%	<1%
Columbus State Community College	1%	3%	20%	2%	2%	71%	2%	64%	45%	57%	3%
Edison State Community College	<1%	1%	2%	1%	<1%	96%	0%	68%	47%	63%	<1%
Northwest State Community College	<1%	<1%	1%	5%	0%	90%	3%	67%	44%	48%	4%
Owens State Community College, Findlay Campus	1%	1%	2%	4%	<1%	93%	<1%	70%	50%	57%	1%
Owens State Community College, Toledo Campus	1%	1%	12%	3%	<1%	81%	1%	73%	53%	43%	4%
Southern State Community College	<1%	<1%	1%	1%	<1%	97%	1%	50%	47%	73%	<1%
Terra State Community College	1%	<1%	2%	4%	<1%	93%	<1%	62%	44%	48%	<1%
Washington State Community College	<1%	<1%	1%	<1%	<1%	94%	3%	47%	43%	66%	11%

Percent of Undergraduate Students on Selected Diversity Measures – Technical Colleges

Campus	Am Indian	Asian Am	Black Am	Hisp Am	Foreign Student	White	Race ?	Part-time	> 24 yrs.	Women	Out of State US
Belmont Technical College	<1%	<1%	2%	<1%	<1%	97%	<1%	34%	44%	53%	15%
Central Ohio Technical College	1%	1%	3%	1%	0%	92%	2%	62%	47%	66%	1%
Hocking Technical College	<1%	<1%	8%	1%	1%	87%	2%	31%	39%	45%	3%
Lima Technical College	<1%	1%	7%	2%	0%	88%	3%	48%	47%	69%	1%
Marion Technical College	1%	<1%	5%	1%	<1%	94%	<1%	64%	53%	61%	0%
Muskingum Area Technical College	1%	1%	5%	1%	0%	93%	0%	50%	47%	63%	<1%
North Central State College	1%	1%	5%	1%	0%	91%	2%	74%	53%	67%	0%
Stark State College of Technology	1%	1%	8%	1%	0%	88%	2%	69%	57%	60%	1%

Percent of Undergraduate Students on Selected Diversity Measures – University Branch Campuses

Campus	Am Indian	Asian Am	Black Am	Hisp Am	Foreign Student	White	Race ?	Part-time	> 24 yrs.	Women	Out of State US
Bowling Green State University, Firelands Campus	<1%	<1%	6%	2%	0%	89%	3%	56%	38%	61%	0%
Kent State University, Ashtabula Campus	<1%	<1%	6%	2%	<1%	91%	1%	59%	48%	65%	<1%
Kent State University, East Liverpool Campus	<1%	<1%	2%	1%	<1%	93%	3%	52%	42%	72%	5%
Kent State University, Geauga Campus	0%	<1%	4%	1%	1%	87%	6%	64%	43%	55%	<1%
Kent State University, Salem Campus	<1%	<1%	1%	<1%	<1%	97%	1%	53%	43%	65%	1%
Kent State University, Stark Campus	<1%	1%	5%	1%	1%	92%	2%	50%	30%	61%	<1%
Kent State University, Trumbull Campus	<1%	1%	9%	1%	1%	87%	2%	64%	53%	57%	1%
Kent State University, Tuscarawas Campus	<1%	<1%	1%	<1%	1%	95%	3%	51%	36%	62%	<1%
Miami University, Hamilton Campus	<1%	1%	4%	1%	0%	92%	2%	57%	27%	58%	5%
Miami University, Middletown Campus	<1%	1%	5%	1%	0%	91%	1%	57%	29%	59%	4%
Ohio State University, Agricultural Technical Institute	<1%	<1%	1%	1%	<1%	97%	1%	14%	11%	31%	2%
Ohio State University, Lima Campus	0%	1%	3%	2%	<1%	94%	1%	24%	21%	61%	<1%
Ohio State University, Mansfield Campus	1%	2%	4%	1%	0%	91%	2%	31%	21%	62%	1%
Ohio State University, Marion Campus	1%	1%	2%	1%	<1%	94%	2%	35%	24%	63%	1%
Ohio State University, Newark Campus	1%	2%	3%	1%	<1%	93%	1%	28%	19%	58%	1%
Ohio University, Chillicothe Campus	<1%	<1%	3%	1%	<1%	74%	22%	46%	40%	63%	1%
Ohio University, Eastern Campus	0%	<1%	2%	<1%	0%	87%	11%	27%	29%	68%	5%
Ohio University, Lancaster Campus	<1%	<1%	1%	<1%	<1%	92%	6%	44%	33%	64%	<1%
Ohio University, Southern Campus	1%	<1%	2%	<1%	<1%	71%	25%	41%	47%	65%	15%
Ohio University, Zanesville Campus	<1%	<1%	3%	<1%	0%	83%	13%	37%	35%	68%	<1%
University of Akron, Wayne Campus	1%	1%	2%	<1%	<1%	94%	2%	62%	43%	58%	<1%
University of Cincinnati, Clermont Campus	1%	1%	4%	1%	<1%	88%	5%	56%	44%	63%	1%
University of Cincinnati, Raymond Walters Campus	1%	2%	11%	1%	1%	78%	7%	62%	48%	70%	2%
Wright State University, Lake Campus	<1%	<1%	<1%	1%	0%	96%	3%	48%	36%	69%	<1%

Percent of Undergraduate Students on Selected Diversity Measures – University Main Campuses

Campus	Am Indian	Asian Am	Black Am	Hisp Am	Foreign Student	White	Race ?	Part-time	> 24 yrs.	Women	Out of State US
Bowling Green State University	<1%	1%	4%	2%	1%	88%	3%	8%	7%	57%	6%
Central State University	0%	<1%	94%	<1%	1%	2%	3%	12%	21%	55%	21%
Cleveland State University	<1%	3%	19%	3%	2%	60%	13%	36%	44%	55%	1%
Kent State University	<1%	1%	8%	1%	1%	87%	2%	17%	16%	60%	6%
Miami University	<1%	2%	4%	2%	<1%	90%	3%	7%	3%	55%	26%
Ohio State University	<1%	5%	8%	2%	4%	79%	1%	14%	12%	49%	10%
Ohio University	<1%	1%	3%	1%	2%	86%	6%	7%	6%	55%	9%
Shawnee State University	1%	<1%	2%	1%	<1%	90%	6%	22%	32%	63%	9%
University of Akron	1%	2%	15%	1%	1%	78%	3%	34%	33%	54%	2%
University of Cincinnati	<1%	3%	15%	1%	1%	76%	4%	28%	24%	49%	8%
University of Toledo	<1%	2%	12%	2%	3%	75%	6%	33%	23%	52%	9%
Wright State University	<1%	2%	12%	1%	1%	79%	5%	20%	21%	56%	3%
Youngstown State University	<1%	1%	9%	2%	1%	83%	5%	23%	26%	53%	9%