Who enrolls in college?



This data shows first-time college enrollment rates for students based on their demographics, the district in which they graduated high school, and the institution type they attend.

Field Name	Description	Notes
DISTRICT_TYPE	Whether the district is a K-12 school or legislative district.	
DISTRICT_NAME	The name of the California Public K-12 school district, State Assembly district, or State Senate district where a group of individuals graduated from high school. "All" refers to all California public K-12 school districts.	
DISTRICT_CODE	The seven digit local education agency (LEA) code for the K-12 school district (N/A for legislative districts or all districts)	LEA codes originated in California Department of Education (CDE) enrollment data.
ENROLL_YEAR	The academic year in which a group of individuals first enrolled in college. The current data begins with the 2018-2019 academic year.	
INSTITUTION_TYPE	Whether the group of individuals attended California public 2-year or 4-year colleges.	
DEMO_CATEGORY	The high-level demographic category, with possible values of: - Race - Gender - Foster Youth Status - K-12 Homeless Status	
STUDENT_POPULATION	Within the high-level demographic category, the student population. Has possible values of: - (Race): American Indian of Alaska Native - (Race): Asian - (Race): Black or African American - (Race): Hispanic or Latino - (Race): Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander - (Race): None Reported - (Race): Two or More Races - (Race): White - (Gender): Female - (Gender): Male - (Foster Youth Status): Foster Youth - (K-12 Homeless Status): Experienced Homelessness in K-12 - (K-12 Homeless Status): Did Not Experience Homelessness in K-12	Race categories align with Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) categories. Race/ethnicity data is observed at the time of high school graduation, based on data provided by CDE
NUMERATOR	The number of individuals in a student population group who first enrolled in college.	
DENOMINATOR	The total number of individuals, either from all school districts or a selected school or legislative district, who enrolled in college for the first time in the selected year.	

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* To protect student privacy, data may be suppressed (or appear blank) on the downloadable files based on the number of individuals at certain aggregation levels and within selected student populations that are 10 or fewer. For more information about the suppression policies applied to these data, please refer to the Cradle-to-Career System Data Suppression Protocol for Summary Data.

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