Your First College Year (YFCY) Freshman Survey
Spring 2007: Demographics

Background
The Your First College Year (YFCY) freshman survey, coordinated through the Higher Education Research Institute at UCLA, surveys first year students at the end of their freshman year.

In 2007, all freshmen at Texas A&M were asked to complete the survey on-line. Of the 5,810 students in the population, 988 freshmen completed at least a portion of the instrument for a response rate of 17%.

Results

Ethnicity (in a check all that applied format):
- 83% Caucasian
- 8% Mexican American/Chicano
- 5% Asian American/Asian
- 4% African American/Black
- 4% Other Latino
- 3% Other
- 2% American Indian/Alaska Native
- 1% Puerto Rican
- 1% Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

Average Grade in the First Year:
- 11% A (3.75-4.00)
- 24% A-, B+ (3.25-3.74)
- 30% B (2.75-3.24)
- 22% B-, C+ (2.25-2.74)
- 11% C (1.75-2.24)
- 2% C- or less (below 1.75)

Native Language:
- 94% English
- 6% Not English

Political Views:
- 4% Far right
- 47% Conservative
- 37% Middle of the road
- 12% Liberal
- 1% Far left

Gender:
- 37% Male
- 63% Female

Residence:
- 59% Residence hall
- 19% Rented apartment or house
- 7% Off campus (other)
- 5% Single-sex special interest housing
- 2% At home with family
- 2% Other special interest on campus housing
- 2% First year on campus housing
- 2% Special academic program on campus housing

Academic College:
- 17% General Academic Programs
- 16% Engineering
- 14% Liberal Arts
- 12% Business
- 10% Agriculture and Life Sciences
- 10% Education
- 10% Science
- 7% Veterinary Medicine/Biomedical Sciences
- 3% Architecture
- 2% Geosciences

Work:
- 11% On campus
- 14% Off campus

Fall 2007 Plans:
- 96% Attend Texas A&M
- 2% Attend another institution
- 2% Don’t Know/ have not decided

If making the college choice over, would you choose to enroll at Texas A&M?
- 68% Definitely yes
- 22% Probably yes
- 5% Probably not
- 2% Definitely not
- 3% Not sure yet

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http://studentlifestudies.tamu.edu/

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