Background
The purpose of this study was to benchmark Texas A&M students’ experience with specific technology.

472 out of 741 participants completed the web-based survey for a response rate of 64%.

Results
Do you have a personal profile posted on Facebook?
• 90% had a Facebook profile

Do you have a personal profile posted on another website (MySpace, YAHOO Personals, etc.?)?
• 43% had a profile on another website

Do you have a personal blog?
• 17% had a personal blog

Do you have a personal web page?
• 13% had a personal web page

Have you posted personal information (such as your full name, telephone numbers, or home address) online for public viewing?
• 45% have posted personal information online for public viewing

Do you have a cell phone?
• 99% had a cell phone

How many hours per day do you spend communicating on your cell phone?
• 52% used their cell phone for 1 to 3 hours per day

Who do you talk to on your cell phone during an average day? (select all that apply)
• 92% talked to friends every day
• 90% talked to parents every day
• 54% talked to a boyfriend/girlfriend/spouse every day
• 51% talked to classmates every day

Do you have a land line (traditional, non-wireless) phone?
• 36% had a land line phone

Have you used email to communicate with your faculty or instructors since becoming a student at Texas A&M?
• 99% had contacted faculty members or instructors via email

What was the purpose of your emails to faculty or instructors? (select all that apply)
• 83% asked for clarification or additional information about an assignment
• 76% submitted an assignment
• 57% asked about their grades
• 56% asked for clarification or additional information about class material
• 43% submitted a class excuse

Note: Because technology changes quickly, the results of this survey may already be outdated. These questions need to be asked regularly in order to fully understand students’ usage of new technology.

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