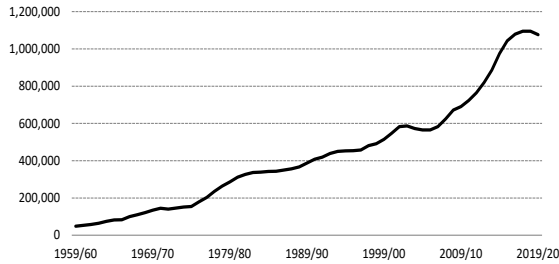


INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS IN THE UNITED STATES

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT TRENDS

In 2019/20, the total number of international students in the United States declined by 1.8% to 1,075,496 students.



	Total int'l students	% change	Total U.S. higher education	% int'l
2009/10	690,923	2.9	20,428,000	3.4
2010/11	723,277	4.7	20,550,000	3.5
2011/12	764,495	5.7	20,625,000	3.7
2012/13	819,644	7.2	21,253,000	3.9
2013/14	886,052	8.1	21,216,000	4.2
2014/15	974,926	10.0	20,300,000	4.8
2015/16	1,043,839	7.1	20,264,000	5.2
2016/17	1,078,822	3.4	20,185,000	5.3
2017/18	1,094,792	1.5	19,831,000	5.5
2018/19	1,095,299	0.05	19,828,000	5.5
2019/20	1,075,496	-1.8	19,720,000	5.5

U.S. Higher Education Data Source: National Center of Education Statistics, 2019

NEW INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ENROLLMENT

	New int'l	% change
2014/15	293,766	8.8
2015/16	300,743	2.4
2016/17	290,836	-3.3
2017/18	271,738	-6.6
2018/19	269,383	-0.9
2019/20	267,712	-0.6

TOP U.S. STATES HOSTING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

	2018/19	2019/20	% change
1 California	161,693	160,592	-0.7
2 New York	124,277	126,911	2.1
3 Texas	81,893	77,097	-5.9
4 Massachusetts	71,098	73,695	3.7
5 Illinois	53,724	51,966	-3.3
6 Pennsylvania	51,818	50,070	-3.4
7 Florida	45,957	46,221	0.6
8 Ohio	37,314	35,508	-4.8
9 Michigan	33,236	31,408	-5.5
10 Indiana	29,083	28,136	-3.3

Note: Percent distribution may not total 100.0 due to rounding

Note: Numbers include both enrolled international students and international students on Optional Practical Training (OPT) for all tables except new enrollments.

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TOP PLACES OF ORIGIN OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

	2018/19	2019/20	% of total	% change
WORLD TOTAL	1,095,299	1,075,496	100	-1.8
1 China	369,548	372,532	34.6	0.8
2 India	202,014	193,124	18.0	-4.4
3 South Korea	52,250	49,809	4.6	-4.7
4 Saudi Arabia	37,080	30,957	2.9	-16.5
5 Canada	26,122	25,992	2.4	-0.5
6 Vietnam	24,392	23,777	2.2	-2.5
7 Taiwan	23,369	23,724	2.2	1.5
8 Japan	18,105	17,554	1.6	-3.0
9 Brazil	16,059	16,671	1.6	3.8
10 Mexico	15,229	14,348	1.3	-5.8
11 Nigeria	13,423	13,762	1.3	2.5
12 Nepal	13,229	12,730	1.2	-3.8
13 Iran	12,142	11,451	1.1	-5.7
14 United Kingdom	11,146	10,756	1.0	-3.5
15 Turkey	10,159	9,481	0.9	-6.7
16 Germany	9,191	9,242	0.9	0.6
17 Bangladesh	8,249	8,838	0.8	7.1
18 France	8,716	8,471	0.8	-2.8
19 Kuwait	9,195	8,375	0.8	-8.9
20 Indonesia	8,356	8,300	0.8	-0.7
21 Spain	7,262	7,954	0.7	9.5
22 Pakistan	7,957	7,939	0.7	-0.2
23 Colombia	8,060	7,787	0.7	-3.4
24 Malaysia	7,709	6,910	0.6	-10.4
25 Venezuela	7,760	6,855	0.6	-11.7

TOP U.S. INSTITUTIONS HOSTING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS, 2019/20

1	New York University	New York	NY	21,093
2	Northeastern University - Boston	Boston	MA	17,491
3	University of Southern California	Los Angeles	CA	17,309
4	Columbia University	New York	NY	17,145
5	University of Illinois - Urbana-Champaign	Champaign	IL	13,962
6	Arizona State University - Tempe	Tempe	AZ	13,136
7	University of California - Los Angeles	Los Angeles	CA	11,447
8	University of California - San Diego	La Jolla	CA	11,272
9	Purdue University - West Lafayette	West Lafayette	IN	11,173
10	Boston University	Boston	MA	11,158
11	University of California - Berkeley	Berkeley	CA	10,695
12	Pennsylvania State University - University Park	University Park	PA	9,244
13	University of Washington	Seattle	WA	9,236
14	University of Michigan - Ann Arbor	Ann Arbor	MI	9,000
15	University of Texas - Dallas	Richardson	TX	8,787
16	University of California - Irvine	Irvine	CA	8,773
17	Carnegie Mellon University	Pittsburgh	PA	8,694
18	University of California - Davis	Davis	CA	7,919
19	Ohio State University - Columbus	Columbus	OH	7,894
20	Cornell University	Ithaca	NY	7,623

ACADEMIC LEVEL TRENDS OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

	Under-graduate	% change	Graduate	% change	Non-degree	% change	OPT	% change
2015/16	427,313	7.1	383,935	6.0	85,093	-9.1	147,498	22.6
2016/17	439,019	2.7	391,124	1.9	72,984	-14.2	175,695	19.1
2017/18	442,746	0.8	382,953	-2.1	65,631	-10.1	203,462	15.8
2018/19	431,930	-2.4	377,943	-1.3	62,341	-5.0	223,085	9.6
2019/20	419,321	-2.9	374,435	-0.9	58,201	-6.6	223,539	0.2

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS IN THE U.S. (CONT'D)

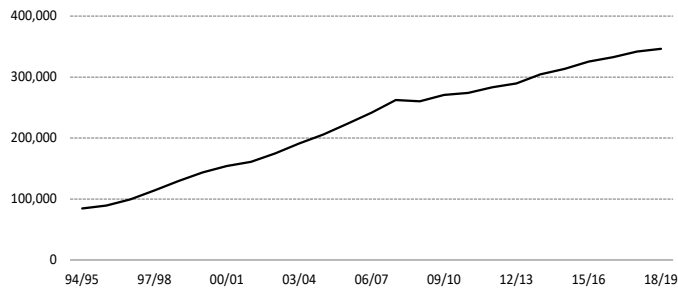
PRIMARY SOURCE OF FUNDING	2019/20	% of total
Personal and Family	604,758	56.2
Current Employment	227,081	21.1
U.S. College or University	182,389	17.0
Foreign Government or University	38,002	3.5
Foreign Private Sponsor	6,494	0.6
U.S. Private Sponsor	2,574	0.2
U.S. Government	1,862	0.2
International Organization	818	0.1
Other Source	11,518	1.1
TOTAL INT'L STUDENTS	1,075,496	100.0

SELECTED FIELDS OF STUDY

	2018/19	2019/20	% of total	% change
Engineering	230,780	220,542	20.5	-4.4
Math and Computer Science	203,461	205,207	19.1	0.9
Business and Management	182,170	174,470	16.2	-4.2
Social Sciences	84,320	84,440	7.9	0.1
Physical and Life Sciences	81,580	81,971	7.6	0.5
Fine and Applied Arts	63,097	64,501	6.0	2.2
Health Professions	35,446	34,934	3.2	-1.4
Communications and Journalism	24,017	23,925	2.2	-0.4
Intensive English	22,026	21,301	2.0	-3.3
Humanities	17,013	16,992	1.6	-0.1
Legal Studies and Law Enforcement	16,483	16,269	1.5	-1.3
Education	16,786	15,700	1.5	-6.5
Agriculture	13,754	13,134	1.2	-4.5

U.S. STUDENTS STUDYING ABROAD

347,099 U.S. students studied abroad for academic credit in 2018/19, an increase of 1.6% over the previous year.



HOST REGIONS*

	2017/18	2018/19	% of total	% change
Europe	187,534	193,422	55.7	3.1
Latin America & Caribbean	50,807	47,954	13.8	-5.6
Asia	38,408	40,602	11.7	5.7
Oceania	14,692	15,434	4.4	5.1
Sub-Saharan Africa	14,416	13,455	3.9	-6.7
Middle East & North Africa	7,207	7,965	2.3	10.5
North America	1,786	2,107	0.6	18.0
Antarctica	10	86	0.0	760.0
Multiple	26,891	26,074	7.5	-3.0
WORLD TOTAL	341,751	347,099	100.0	1.6

* Cyprus and Turkey are included in Europe; Mexico is included in Latin America

TOP FIVE FIELDS OF STUDY

	2017/18	2018/19	% of total	% change
Business and Management	71,139	71,792	20.7	0.9
Social Sciences	58,581	59,158	17.0	1.0
Physical and Life Sciences	26,770	28,197	8.1	5.3
Health Professions	23,750	24,574	7.1	3.5
Foreign Language & Int'l Studies	24,225	23,833	6.9	-1.6

RACE/ETHNICITY

	2017/18	2018/19
White	70.0	68.7
Hispanic or Latino(a)	10.6	10.9
Asian or Pacific Islander	8.4	8.9
Black or African-American	6.1	6.4
Multiracial	4.4	4.7
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.5	0.4

DURATION

	2017/18	2018/19
Short-term (summer, or eight weeks or less)	64.6	64.9
Mid-length (one semester, or one or two quarters)	33.1	32.9
Long-term (academic or calendar year)	2.3	2.2

DESTINATIONS

	2017/18	2018/19	% of total	% change
1 United Kingdom	39,403	39,358	11.3	-0.1
2 Italy	36,945	39,043	11.2	5.7
3 Spain	32,411	33,849	9.8	4.4
4 France	17,185	18,465	5.3	7.4
5 Germany	12,250	12,029	3.5	-1.8
6 Ireland	11,965	11,777	3.4	-1.6
7 China	11,613	11,639	3.4	0.2
8 Australia	10,332	10,665	3.1	3.2
9 Japan	8,467	8,928	2.6	5.4
10 Costa Rica	8,681	8,333	2.4	-4.0
11 Mexico	5,963	6,340	1.8	6.3
12 Greece	5,223	5,834	1.7	11.7
13 Czech Republic	5,248	5,480	1.6	4.4
14 South Africa	6,001	5,278	1.5	-12.0
15 Denmark	4,637	4,846	1.4	4.5
16 South Korea	3,929	4,558	1.3	16.0
17 New Zealand	3,885	4,233	1.2	9.0
18 Netherlands	3,966	4,182	1.2	5.4
19 Peru	3,939	4,041	1.2	2.6
20 Ecuador	4,055	3,675	1.1	-9.4
21 Israel	3,355	3,532	1.0	5.3
22 India	3,986	3,366	1.0	-15.6
23 Argentina	3,805	3,317	1.0	-12.8
24 Chile	3,020	3,190	0.9	5.6
25 Austria	3,161	3,039	0.9	-3.9
WORLD TOTAL	341,751	347,099	100.0	1.6

	Total U.S. study abroad	Total U.S. higher education	%
PARTICIPATION			
All U.S. undergrads studying abroad in academic year 2018/19	306,141	16,043,597*	1.9
All U.S. undergraduate who study abroad during their degree program	306,141	2,786,626**	11.0
U.S. Bachelor's students who study abroad during their undergraduate program	299,546	1,856,276***	16.1

* Total undergraduate enrollment in the United States

** U.S. students receiving Associate and Bachelor's degrees

*** U.S. students receiving Bachelor's degrees

Note: The numbers above do not include international students enrolled at U.S. higher education institutions studying abroad for academic credit.

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OTHER FORMS OF EDUCATION ABROAD

In addition to the 347,099 U.S. students who received academic credit for study abroad in 2018/19, 428 institutions reported that an additional 38,120 U.S. students participated in non-credit work, internships, volunteering, and research abroad.