

Black Undergraduate Student Parents

This summary profiles Black undergraduate college students with dependent children across the United States who were enrolled in the 2019–20 academic year.



30% of Black undergraduates are parents
661,000

Dependent Children

47% of Black student parents have one child
53% have two or more children
48% have at least one child under age 6

Gender



60% of Black nonparenting students are female, 39% are male, and 1% have another gender identity

Age



74% of Black nonparenting students are under age 25, 11% are 25–29, 8% are 30–39, and 7% are 40 or older

Race and Ethnicity



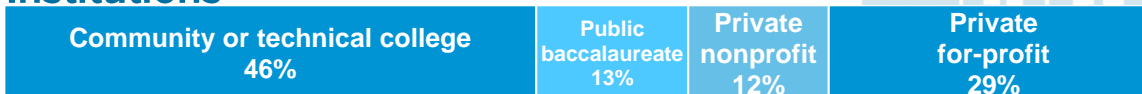
100% of Black nonparenting students are Black

Enrollment



76% of Black nonparenting students are enrolled full time and 24% are enrolled part time

Institutions



40% of Black nonparenting students are enrolled in a community or technical college, 35% in a public baccalaureate institution, 16% in a private nonprofit, and 9% in a private for-profit institution

Social

Married: 25%

4% of Black nonparenting students are married

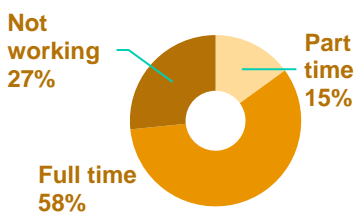
First-gen: 50%

33% of Black nonparenting students are first-generation college students

Veteran: 8%

3% of Black nonparenting students are veterans

Employment and Economic Well-Being While Enrolled



31% of Black nonparenting students are not working, 32% are working part time, and 37% are working full time



36%

could not come up with \$500 in the next month

27% of Black nonparenting students could not come up with \$500



10%

were recently homeless

13% of Black nonparenting students were recently homeless



38%

are food insecure

33% of Black nonparenting students are food insecure



41%

participate in SNAP

18% of Black nonparenting students participate in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

For more information and to pull similar statistics, explore the National Postsecondary Student Aid Study: 2020 Undergraduate Students in the National Center for Education Statistics' DataLab tool at <https://nces.ed.gov/datalab>.

Note: Data collection was interrupted by COVID-19 shutdowns, so parenting students might be underrepresented in this data source. Dependent children may be up to age 25. Enrollment intensity represents fall enrollment among those enrolled in the fall term. College types are recategorized using a detailed sector variable. Values may not sum to 100 because of rounding. An asterisk (*) indicates that an estimate is imprecise because of large standard errors.

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