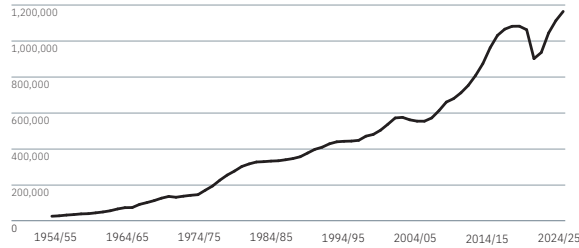


INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS IN THE UNITED STATES

In 2024/25, the total number of international students in the U.S. increased by 5% to 1,177,766 students.



	Total int'l students	% change
2020/21	914,095	-15.0
2021/22	948,519	3.8
2022/23	1,057,188	11.5
2023/24	1,126,690	6.6
2024/25	1,177,766	4.5

International students accounted for 6.1% of the total U.S. higher education population of 19,247,640 students.*

NEW INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ENROLLMENT

	New int'l students	% change
2020/21	145,528	-45.6
2021/22	261,961	80.0
2022/23	298,523	14.0
2023/24	298,705	0.1
2024/25	277,118	-7.2

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS BY ACADEMIC LEVEL

	Undergraduate	% change	Graduate	% change
2020/21	359,787	-14.2	329,272	-12.1
2021/22	344,532	-4.2	385,097	17.0
2022/23	347,602	0.9	467,027	21.3
2023/24	342,875	-1.4	502,291	7.6
2024/25	357,231	4.2	488,481	-2.7

	Non-degree	% change	OPT	% change
2020/21	21,151	-63.7	203,885	-8.8
2021/22	34,131	61.4	184,759	-9.4
2022/23	43,766	28.2	198,793	7.6
2023/24	38,742	-11.5	242,782	22.1
2024/25	37,801	-2.4	294,253	21.2

U.S. STATES HOSTING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

	2023/24	2024/25	% change
California	140,858	139,351	-1.1
New York	135,813	137,799	1.5
Texas	89,546	97,043	8.4
Massachusetts	82,306	84,097	2.2
Illinois	62,299	66,635	7.0
Pennsylvania	50,514	50,848	0.7
Florida	44,767	46,720	4.4
Michigan	38,123	40,177	5.4
Ohio	36,884	39,140	6.1
Missouri	32,647	36,341	11.3
Other states	412,933	439,615	6.5

PLACES OF ORIGIN OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

	2023/24	2024/25	% of total	% change
WORLD TOTAL	1,126,690	1,177,766	100.0	4.5
India	331,602	363,019	30.8	9.5
China	277,398	265,919	22.6	-4.1
South Korea	43,149	42,293	3.6	-2.0
Canada	28,998	29,903	2.5	3.1
Vietnam	22,066	25,584	2.2	15.9
Nepal	16,742	24,890	2.1	48.7
Taiwan	23,157	23,263	2.0	0.5
Nigeria	20,029	21,847	1.9	9.1
Bangladesh	17,099	20,156	1.7	17.9
Brazil	16,877	17,277	1.5	2.4
Mexico	15,474	15,652	1.3	1.2
Japan	13,959	13,814	1.2	-1.0
Pakistan	10,988	13,165	1.1	19.8
Ghana	9,394	12,825	1.1	36.5
Saudi Arabia	14,828	12,702	1.1	-14.3
Iran	12,430	12,656	1.1	1.8
United Kingdom	10,473	11,136	0.9	6.3
Colombia	10,120	10,213	0.9	0.9
Turkey/Türkiye	9,148	9,413	0.8	2.9
Spain	8,842	9,229	0.8	4.4
Germany	9,230	9,123	0.8	-1.2
France	8,543	8,698	0.7	1.8
Indonesia	8,348	8,104	0.7	-2.9
Italy	6,545	6,744	0.6	3.0
Peru	5,505	5,667	0.5	2.9
Other places of origin	175,746	184,474	15.7	5.0

U.S. INSTITUTIONS HOSTING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS, 2024/25

New York University	New York	NY	27,532
Northeastern University - Boston	Boston	MA	22,465
Columbia University	New York	NY	20,733
Arizona State University - Campus Immersion	Tempe	AZ	20,368
University of Southern California	Los Angeles	CA	17,884
University of Illinois - Urbana-Champaign	Champaign	IL	16,144
University of North Texas	Denton	TX	12,982
Purdue University - West Lafayette	West Lafayette	IN	12,874
Boston University	Boston	MA	12,845
University of California - Berkeley	Berkeley	CA	12,020
University of Michigan - Ann Arbor	Ann Arbor	MI	11,929
University of Washington	Seattle	WA	10,962
Johns Hopkins University	Baltimore	MD	10,863
University of California - Los Angeles	Los Angeles	CA	10,769
University of California - San Diego	La Jolla	CA	10,545
Other institutions	-	-	946,851

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ONLINE

In addition to the 1,177,766 international students who pursued in-person study in the United States in 2024/25, 16,913 international students enrolled online from abroad.

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. Numbers from 2020/21 - 2022/23 include international students enrolled online from abroad.

*Projection of total U.S. higher education. Source: National Center for Education Statistics, 2025.

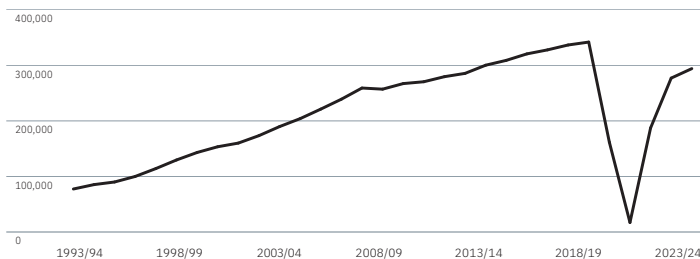
The Institute of International Education (IIE) has conducted an annual census of international students at U.S. universities since 1919. Published since 1949 and supported by the U.S. Department of State since 1972, the *Open Doors* project provides detailed data on student flows into and out of the U.S. Visit us at: <http://www.opendoorsdata.org>.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS IN THE UNITED STATES (cont'd)

PRIMARY SOURCE OF FUNDING	2024/25	% of total	FIELDS OF STUDY	2023/24	2024/25	% of total	% change
Personal and family	606,781	51.5	Math & computer science	280,922	305,377	25.9	8.7
Current employment	296,643	25.2	Engineering	210,163	217,016	18.4	3.3
U.S. college or university	227,633	19.3	Business & management	159,810	159,857	13.6	0.0
Foreign government or university	19,633	1.7	Physical & life sciences	88,717	95,667	8.1	7.8
Foreign private sponsor	5,123	0.4	Social sciences	84,307	86,008	7.3	2.0
U.S. private sponsor	2,835	0.2	Fine & applied arts	54,159	49,542	4.2	-8.5
U.S. government	1,415	0.1	Health professions	36,615	40,417	3.4	10.4
International organization	608	0.1	Communications & journalism	21,481	21,493	1.8	0.1
Other sources of funding	17,095	1.5	Other fields of study	190,516	202,389	17.2	6.2

U.S. STUDENTS STUDYING ABROAD

In 2023/24, the total number of U.S. students who studied abroad for academic credit increased by 6% to 298,180 students.



DURATION OF STUDY ABROAD	2022/23	2023/24	% total
Short-term			
8 weeks or less during the academic year	65,330	67,877	22.8
Summer term	114,138	117,373	39.4
Mid-length (One/two quarters or semester)	94,613	105,899	35.5
Long-term (Academic or calendar year)	6,635	7,031	2.4

HOST REGIONS	2022/23	2023/24	% of total	% change
Europe	180,778	191,209	64.1	5.8
Latin America & Caribbean	30,126	31,453	10.5	4.4
Asia	26,350	30,361	10.2	15.2
Oceania	8,944	9,910	3.3	10.8
Sub-Saharan Africa	9,163	9,080	3.0	-0.9
Middle East & North Africa	6,921	4,872	1.6	-29.6
North America	1,517	1,849	0.6	21.9
Antarctica	28	47	0.0	67.9
Multiple	16,889	19,399	6.5	14.9

FIELDS OF STUDY	2022/23	2023/24	% of total	% change
Business & management	58,923	64,627	21.7	9.7
Social sciences	49,785	53,080	17.8	6.6
Physical & life sciences	23,028	23,840	8.0	3.5
Fine & applied arts	20,663	21,755	7.3	5.3
Health professions	17,057	17,396	5.8	2.0
Engineering	15,125	16,983	5.7	12.3
Other fields of study	96,135	100,499	33.7	4.5

RACE/ETHNICITY	2022/23	2023/24
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.3	0.4
Asian or Pacific Islander	9.6	10.4
Black or African-American	5.9	6.1
Hispanic or Latino(a)	12.2	12.2
Multiracial	5.5	5.7
White	66.4	65.2

DESTINATIONS	2022/23	2023/24	% of total	% change
WORLD TOTAL	280,716	298,180	100.0	6.2
Italy	41,840	45,067	15.1	7.7
Spain	32,648	36,826	12.4	12.8
United Kingdom	35,018	36,450	12.2	4.1
France	17,096	16,740	5.6	-2.1
Japan	9,675	11,217	3.8	15.9
Ireland	9,780	10,218	3.4	4.5
Germany	9,324	9,682	3.2	3.8
Greece	6,006	6,782	2.3	12.9
Australia	6,135	6,509	2.2	6.1
South Korea	5,909	6,184	2.1	4.7
Costa Rica	6,558	6,070	2.0	-7.4
Denmark	5,074	5,421	1.8	6.8
Mexico	4,339	4,430	1.5	2.1
Netherlands	3,915	3,777	1.3	-3.5
Czech Republic	3,610	3,702	1.2	2.5
South Africa	3,568	3,454	1.2	-3.2
New Zealand	2,389	3,038	1.0	27.2
Austria	2,992	2,750	0.9	-8.1
Argentina	2,503	2,702	0.9	8.0
Switzerland	2,394	2,274	0.8	-5.0
Ecuador	2,692	2,205	0.7	-18.1
Belize	1,799	1,987	0.7	10.5
Portugal	1,605	1,963	0.7	22.3
Singapore	2,052	1,948	0.7	-5.1
Thailand	1,895	1,920	0.6	1.3
Other destinations	59,900	64,864	21.8	8.3

PARTICIPATION IN STUDY ABROAD	Student total	% of total
All U.S. undergraduates who study abroad during their degree program	267,488	10.0
U.S. higher education undergraduate total*	2,680,718	

*Total U.S. students receiving Associate and Bachelor's degrees during the 2023/24 academic year. Source: National Center for Education Statistics, 2025

OTHER FORMS OF EDUCATION ABROAD

In addition to the 298,180 U.S. students who received academic credit for study abroad in 2023/24, 332 institutions reported that 33,078 students participated in non-credit experiential activities, such as work, internships, volunteering, and research abroad. Furthermore, 105 U.S. institutions reported that 17,426 students participated in online global learning opportunities, including remote internships, collaborative project-based learning, and video-conference dialogues.