

2004 Freshwomen Survey (CIRP) Selected Comparison Results

The results selected from the 2004 CIRP national survey are with respect to Respondents' Characteristics and Background, Respondents' Self-efficacy and Educational Goals, and Indications Affecting Respondents' Decision to Go to and Stay at College. The results are compared with the results of other religious 4-year colleges with low selectivity and the HBCU private universities and colleges.

	# of Bennett Respondents	Bennett (%)	Other Religious 4yr Coll-low (%)*	HBCU Private (%)
How old will you be on December 31 of this year?				
16 or younger	92	0	0	0.2
17		6.5	1.6	4
18		67.4	68	77.7
19		20.7	28	17.4
20		2.2	1.1	0.6
21 to 24		3.3	0.4	0.1
25 to 29		0	0.5	0
30 to 39		0	0.1	0
40 to 54		0	0.1	0
55+		0	0	0
What was your average grade in high school?				
A or A+	91	6.6	22.3	19.1
A-		6.6	21.5	18.7
B+		22	19.1	23.8
B		19.8	20.9	20
B-		14.3	9	8.2
C+		19.8	4.5	6.8
C		11	2.6	3.3
D		0	0.2	0.1
What is the highest level of formal education obtained by your parent?				
<i>Father</i>				
Grammar school or less		3.5	2.6	3.6
Some high School		12.9	7.1	7.2
High school graduate		29.4	26.9	26.4
Postsecondary school other than college		5.9	4.9	4
Some college		27.1	18.3	23.4
College degree		12.9	24.3	20.7
Some graduate school		1.2	1.8	1
Graduate degree		7.1	14.2	13.6
<i>Mother</i>				
Grammar school or less		5.6	1.8	2.4
Some high School		6.7	4.6	4.6
High school graduate		22.5	26.8	18.4
Postsecondary school other than college		3.4	6	4.5

Some college		24.7	21.4	24.8
College degree		20.2	26.3	24.8
Some graduate school		2.2	1.9	3
Graduate degree		14.6	11.2	17.4

	# of Bennett Respondents	Bennett (%)	Other Religious 4yr Coll-low (%)*	HBCU Private (%)
Are your parents				
Both alive and living with each other	93	38.7	68.7	38.4
Both alive, divorced or living apart		49.5	26.9	52.3
One or both deceased		11.8	4.4	9.2
Student rated self "above average" or "highest 10%" as compared with the average person of his/her age in :				
Academic ability	92	37	51.7	67.5
Courage	92	66.3	44.9	63.8
Drive to achieve	92	75	68.1	85.7
Generosity	92	79.3	69	74.4
Leadership ability	92	65.2	54.1	70.5
Mathematical ability	92	21.7	28.1	39.8
Public speak ability	92	40.2	28.7	43.7
Self confidence(intellectual)	92	69.6	45.8	72
Self confidence(social)	91	73.6	43.1	62.7
Self-understanding	92	68.5	44.3	64.4
Writing ability	92	45.7	40.3	54.9
Household/childcare duties				
none	90	11.1	12.2	12.7
less than one hour		13.3	17.7	13.4
1-2 hours		20	31.4	28.1
3-5 hours		14.4	22.8	25.2
6-10 hours		12.2	8.7	9.7
11-15 hours		13.3	3.3	4.6
16-20 hours		5.6	1.6	2
Over 20 hours		10	2.2	4.2
What is your best estimate of your parents' total income last year? Before Taxes				
Less than \$10000	77	9.1	4.3	10.3
\$10000 to \$14999		7.8	3.7	5.6
\$15000 to \$19999		6.5	3.5	5.2
\$20000 to \$24999		15.6	5.5	6.9
\$25000 to \$29999		5.2	5.6	6.1
\$30000 to \$39999		7.8	9.4	10.2
\$40000 to \$49999		13	11.4	9.9
\$50000 to \$59999		9.1	12.9	8.9
\$60000 to \$74999		13	14.2	10.6
\$75000 to \$99999		9.1	12.5	11.6
\$100000 to \$149999		2.6	9.2	9.7
\$150000 to \$199999		1.3	4.1	2.4

\$200000 to \$249999		0	1.4	1.1
\$250000 to more		0	2.4	1.6

	# of Bennett Respondents	Bennett(%)	Other Religious 4yr Coll-low(%)*	HBCU Private(%)
What is the highest Academic Degree that You Intend to Obtain:				
<i>At any college</i>				
None	77	5.2	1.1	1.2
Vocational certificate		1.3	0.2	0.1
Associate		0	1	0.3
Bachelor's Degree		11.7	33.2	7.2
Master's degree		27.3	41.7	22.7
Ph.D./Ed. D.		28.6	12.4	30.6
M.D., D.O., D.D.S., or D.V.M.		10.4	5.4	27.1
J.D.(Law)		13	2.3	8.5
B.D. or M.Div.(Divinity)		1.3	0.5	0.4
Other		1.3	2.1	2.1
<i>At this college</i>				
None	57	5.3	2.2	1
Vocational certificate		0	0.5	0.2
Associate		5.3	3.4	0.7
Bachelor's Degree		80.7	77.1	74.2
Master's degree		5.3	13.3	11.4
Ph.D./Ed. D.		1.8	0.7	6.2
M.D., D.O., D.D.S., or D.V.M.		1.8	0.4	3.6
J.D.(Law)		0	0.1	0.8
B.D. or M.Div.(Divinity)		0	0.1	0.2
Other		0	2.2	1.7
Reasons noted as "very important" in deciding to go to college				
My parents wanted me to go	93	53.8	45.5	49.6
Wanted to get a way from home		45.2	19.4	31.5
To make me a more cultured person	93	52.7	36.1	58.5
To prepare myself for graduate or professional school	93	74.2	50.1	85.4
My relatives wanted me to come here	89	19.1	11.9	13.8
My teacher advised me	89	6.7	4.3	5.5
This college has a very good academic reputation	87	60.9	51.4	81
I was offered financial assistance	88	44.3	57.1	42.3
High school counselor advised me	89	9	5.4	8.4
Private college counselor advised me	89	5.6	3.8	3.2
This college's graduates gain admission to top graduate/professional schools	86	26.7	20.8	67.4
I wanted to go to a school about the size of this college	90	78.9	59.5	37.5
Rankings in national magazines	87	12.6	5.5	38.5

Information from a website	87	33.3	13.3	27.6
A visit to the campus	90	55.6	48.3	36.7
Objectives considered to be "essential" or "very important" :				
Becoming accomplished in one of the performing arts(acting, dancing, etc.)				
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How much of your first year's educational expenses(room, board, tuition and fees) do you expect to cover from:				
<i>Family resources (parents, relatives, spouse, etc.)</i>				
None	93	31.2	23.3	26.3
Less than \$1000		17.2	15.6	15.7
\$1000-2999		17.2	16.7	17.2
\$3000-5999		8.6	15	13.3
\$6000-9999		10.8	12	9.3
\$10000+		15	17.5	18.2
<i>My own resources(savings from work, work-study, other income)</i>				
None	93	53.8	43.6	53.5
Less than \$1000		29	28.9	29.8
\$1000-2999		12.9	18.9	12.7
\$3000-5999		3.2	5.8	2.2
\$6000-9999		0	1.7	0.9
\$10000+		1.1	1.3	0.8
Do you have any concern about your ability to finance your college education?				
None (I am confident that I will have sufficient funds)	91	13.2	27.3	22
Some (but I probably will have enough funds)		40.7	54.6	50.8
Major (not sure I will have enough funds to complete college)		46.2	18.1	27.2
Student estimates chances are "very good" that she will:				
Transfer to another college before graduation	87	20.7	9.6	6.6
Be satisfied with your college	87	44.8	57.9	58.9
Seek personal counseling	87	18.4	6.8	12.7
Communicate regularly with your professors	88	50	32.5	52.3

*Other Religious 4yr Colleges with low selectivity (%)