

# InfoBrief ENROLLMENT

**Preliminary**

Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo

Institutional Planning and Analysis

Preliminary Data ■ Fall 1999

September 1, 1999

## PRELIMINARY Data vs. Official Census Data

As we approach the start of every fall quarter, questions are asked concerning student enrollment, who is new, who is continuing and what is our new student profile? In the past, Institutional Planning and Analysis has hesitated to publish **PRELIMINARY** data due to concerns about comparisons of that data to the **official census** data captured twenty-eight days into each quarter and reported to the CSU Chancellor's Office. However, recognizing the need for this **PRELIMINARY** data, Institutional Planning and Analysis has compiled the following information for your use. This data should be used to answer questions that arise about Cal Poly's Fall population until the **official census** data becomes available after October 29, 1999.

We cannot compare this preliminary data with previous Fall census data. While this data includes most of the student population for Fall 1999, it does not reflect the complete picture that will be available when Fall census is concluded because students can still enroll through the 11th day of class.

*When you share this information please advise your audience that this is **PRELIMINARY** data and that official data will be available through ODIN queries and/or Institutional Planning and Analysis after October 29, 1999.*

If you have any questions about this **PRELIMINARY** data or official census data for past quarters, please contact Institutional Planning and Analysis at 756-2461.

### College and University PRELIMINARY Total Headcount Enrollment (9/1/99)

College	Undergrad	Post Bacc	Headcount Total	Total Student Headcount Target
Agriculture	3,239	61	3,300	3,659
Arch & Environmental Design	1,417	38	1,455	1,595
Business	2,225	86	2,311	2,401
Engineering	3,712	110	3,822	4,072
Liberal Arts	2,743	78	2,821	2,849
Science & Mathematics	1,565	82	1,647	1,808
UCTE	n/a	319	319	338
Other	86	39	125	142
<i>Preliminary University Total</i>	14,987	813	15,800	16,864

### PRELIMINARY Student Profile Fall 1999 Undergraduate and Post Baccalaureate

Women 46%

Men 54%

**PRELIMINARY New Undergraduate Student Profile**

New undergraduate student headcount was targeted at 3,644 for Fall 1999. As of September 1, 1999, the date this preliminary data was captured, 3,631 undergraduate new students had registered. This is 99.6% of the new undergraduate student target.

A preliminary count of new student applications for Fall 1999 shows that 19,392 undergraduate applications have been received. These 19,392 applications represent almost a 7 percent increase over Fall 1998. First-time freshmen applications are up over 8 percent. The number of new first-time freshmen registered as of September 1, is up 15 percent and the number of new transfers is up over 19 percent when compared to preliminary data from Fall 1998. With this increase in new students, it should be noted that SAT scores and GPA's for new freshmen remain at the same high level as in Fall 1998 as do the average GPA's for new transfer students.

23.2 % of the first-time freshmen and 25.4% of the new transfer students registered prior to the start of Fall quarter chose an ethnic category designated as "non-white." 33.1% of the first-time freshmen and 22.3% of the new transfer students chose "no response."

The most dramatic change in new student demographics is in the ethnic origin category "No Response." For Fall 1999, 30.5% of new students chose this category as compared to 7.0% of new students in Fall 1998. If this increase in students declining to select an ethnic origin category continues, it could have implications for the longitudinal tracking of ethnicity trends at Cal Poly and in some federal reporting requirements.

47.6% of the new undergraduate students are women and 52.4% are men as compared to 42% new undergraduate women and 58% new undergraduate men at this same point in time for Fall 1998.

**PRELIMINARY New Freshman Profile (9/1/99)**

College	Applied	Selected	Headcount Enrolled	GPA	SAT
Agriculture	1,313	996	576	3.43	1067
Arch & Environmental Design	1,284	537	281	3.64	1172
Business	2,575	850	319	3.71	1170
Engineering	4,565	2,025	781	3.75	1230
Liberal Arts	3,463	1,255	521	3.60	1141
Science & Mathematics	1,974	810	236	3.81	1190
Other	233	0	0	n/a	n/a
<b>New Freshman Preliminary Subtotals</b>	<b>15,407</b>	<b>6,473</b>	<b>2,714</b>	<b>3.64</b>	<b>1162</b>

**PRELIMINARY New Transfer Profile (9/1/99)**

College	Applied	Selected	Headcount Enrolled	GPA
Agriculture	454	320	193	3.01
Arch & Environmental Design	382	179	116	3.17
Business	743	163	98	3.36
Engineering	808	225	131	3.26
Liberal Arts	1,164	400	238	3.23
Science & Mathematics	413	150	86	3.24
Other	n/a	n/a	55	n/a
<b>New Transfer Student Preliminary Subtotals</b>	<b>3,985</b>	<b>1,437</b>	<b>917</b>	<b>3.19</b>

<b>New Undergraduate Preliminary Totals</b>	<b>19,392</b>	<b>7,910</b>	<b>3,631</b>	<b>n/a</b>
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