

# STUDENT INFORMATION PROJECT

## *Entering Student Questionnaire*

2008 - 2009 Profile of Participants

*Total Number of Schools:* 146

*Total Number of Students:* 6,440



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## Selected Highlights of Your 2008 - 2009 School Profile

ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All, ANSWERS=(9/1/2008 - 8/31/2009)

All Schools

The following statements reflect a sample of some of the important information contained in your school profile. There is more to be gleaned from a careful reading of your tables and those of the 2008 - 2009 Profile of Participants.

- > (Table 5) The percentage of students who had one or two dependents was: 23.5%. The following percentage had three or more: 12.4%.
- > (Table 7) Students come to seminary with a broad range of undergraduate degrees. The most typical undergraduate degree programs for your entering students included: Social/behavioral sciences, Humanities, and Technical studies.
- > (Table 8) Students are more likely to come to theological programs with advanced degrees than was true in the past. The total percentage of students entering with such degrees was: 27.3%. The most frequently cited degrees were: None and Master's.
- > (Table 10) Most students brought the following amount of educational debt with them: None. The percentage that had a high debt load of \$30,000 or more was: 13.4%.
- > (Table 10) Most students brought the following amount of non-educational debt with them: None. The percentage that had a high debt load of \$30,000 or more was: 7.9%.
- > (Table 11) The percentage of students who ranked your financial aid assistance as 'significant' or higher was: 58.3%.
- > (Table 12) The one statement indicating the number of hours per week your full-time MDiv students plan to work this year more than any other was: More than 20. Those whose commute was less than 1/2 hour represented: 34.4%. Those whose commute would take between 1/2 and 1 hour was 16.9%.
- > (Table 14) Prior to coming to seminary, the percentage of your students who had been elected or appointed to a leadership position in the local church or in another church body or religious organization was 54.6%. Your students were more likely to come from a church that was: Suburban. The size of their church's membership most frequently was: 100 - 249.
- > (Table 16) Students in the MDiv program at your school indicated that they were likely to consider seminary anytime from before college until after work experience. The following percentage selected either 'Before college' or 'During college': 58.3%. The following percentage first considered it 'After work experience': 26.7%.
- > (Table 18) From a list of fourteen choices, your students indicated that they were most likely to have learned about your school from the following sources: Friend, Graduate, and Pastor.
- > (Table 19) The first contact with your school was most likely to be: Email/Internet.
- > (Table 20) The most important reasons for attending your school included: Quality of the faculty, Academic reputation of the school, and Comfort with the school's doctrinal positions.
- > (Table 21) The most important reasons for choosing your institution were: Theological perspective, Academic reputation, Faculty, Denominational affiliation, and Spiritual atmosphere.

**TABLE 1: Percent of Enrollment by Degree Program, Marital Status, and Gender**

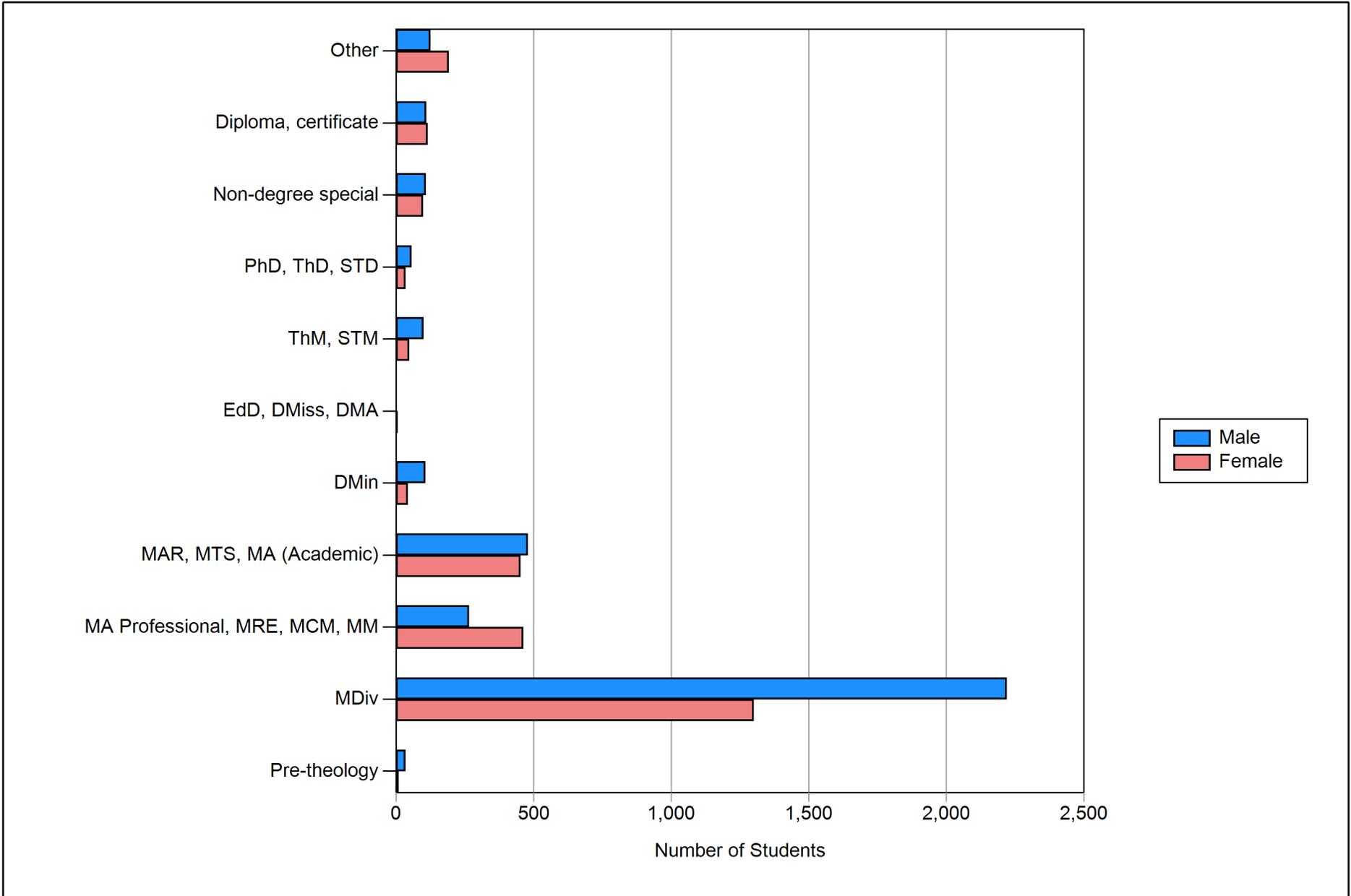
ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All

All Schools

Degree Program	Single				Married				Total #
	Male		Female		Male		Female		
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	
Pre-theology	29	69.0	5	11.9	5	11.9	3	7.1	42
MDiv	1,002	28.5	756	21.5	1,217	34.6	544	15.5	3,519
MA Professional, MRE, MCM, MM	94	13.0	264	36.4	170	23.4	197	27.2	725
MAR, MTS, MA (Academic)	216	23.3	279	30.0	262	28.2	172	18.5	929
DMin	34	23.0	19	12.8	72	48.6	23	15.5	148
EdD, DMiss, DMA	1	14.3	2	28.6	0	0.0	4	57.1	7
ThM, STM	34	23.3	24	16.4	65	44.5	23	15.8	146
PhD, ThD, STD	13	14.6	25	28.1	42	47.2	9	10.1	89
Non-degree special	49	24.0	49	24.0	58	28.4	48	23.5	204
Diploma, certificate	40	17.9	51	22.9	69	30.9	63	28.3	223
Other	63	20.0	109	34.6	61	19.4	82	26.0	315
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,575</b>	<b>24.8</b>	<b>1,583</b>	<b>24.9</b>	<b>2,021</b>	<b>31.8</b>	<b>1,168</b>	<b>18.4</b>	<b>6,347</b>

TOTALS FOR TABLE 1		
Degree Program	#	%
Pre-theology	42	0.7
MDiv	3,519	55.4
MA Professional, MRE, MCM, MM	725	11.4
MAR, MTS, MA (Academic)	929	14.6
DMin	148	2.3
EdD, DMiss, DMA	7	0.1
ThM, STM	146	2.3
PhD, ThD, STD	89	1.4
Non-degree special	204	3.2
Diploma, certificate	223	3.5
Other	315	5.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,347</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**CHART 1: Enrollment of Students by Gender and Degree Program**



## TABLE 2: Enrollment by Racial/Ethnic Identity and Citizenship

ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All

All Schools

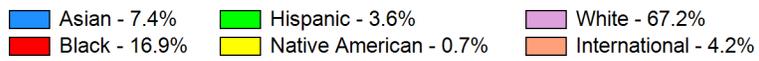
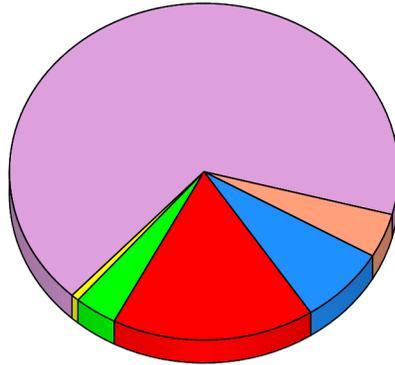
Degree Program	Asian		Black		Hisp		Nat Am		White		Intl		Total
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#
Pre-theology	1	2.3	4	9.3	8	18.6	0	0.0	28	65.1	2	4.7	43
MDiv	262	7.4	594	16.9	126	3.6	23	0.7	2,369	67.2	149	4.2	3,523
MA Professional, MRE, MCM, MM	53	7.2	97	13.2	35	4.8	6	0.8	497	67.8	45	6.1	733
MAR, MTS, MA (Academic)	97	10.4	92	9.9	26	2.8	3	0.3	630	67.7	83	8.9	931
DMin	16	10.8	29	19.6	4	2.7	0	0.0	82	55.4	17	11.5	148
EdD, DMiss, DMA	0	0.0	2	28.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	5	71.4	0	0.0	7
ThM, STM	24	16.6	19	13.1	5	3.4	1	0.7	72	49.7	24	16.6	145
PhD, ThD, STD	11	12.4	6	6.7	1	1.1	1	1.1	48	53.9	22	24.7	89
Non-degree special	21	10.3	8	3.9	10	4.9	0	0.0	153	75.0	12	5.9	204
Diploma, certificate	31	13.7	19	8.4	6	2.6	1	0.4	157	69.2	13	5.7	227
Other	34	10.8	28	8.9	8	2.5	3	1.0	219	69.5	23	7.3	315
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>898</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>4,260</b>	<b>66.9</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>6,365</b>

TOTALS FOR TABLE 2		
	#	%
Pre-theology	43	0.7
MDiv	3,523	55.3
MA Professional, MRE, MCM, MM	733	11.5
MAR, MTS, MA (Academic)	931	14.6
DMin	148	2.3
EdD, DMiss, DMA	7	0.1
ThM, STM	145	2.3
PhD, ThD, STD	89	1.4
Non-degree special	204	3.2
Diploma, certificate	227	3.6
Other	315	4.9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,365</b>	<b>100.0</b>

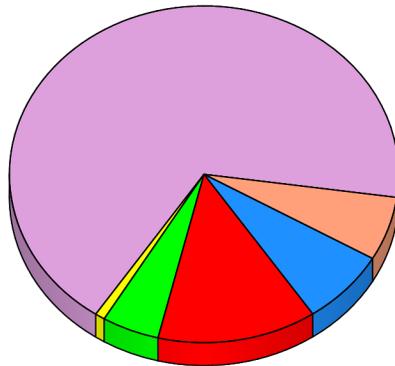
ENROLLMENT BY CITIZENSHIP		
Citizenship	#	%
U.S.	5,363	83.6
Canadian	389	6.1
Other	661	10.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,413</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## CHART 2: Enrollment by Racial/Ethnic Identity

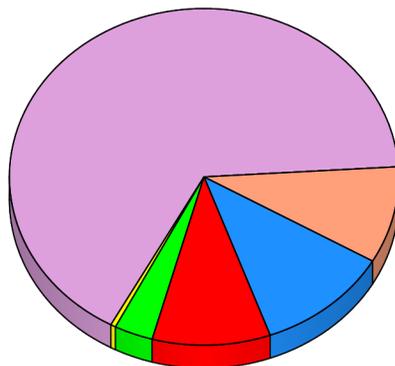
### MDiv



### Prof MA



### All Other Programs



**TABLE 3: Enrollment of Students by Age, Marital Status, and Gender**

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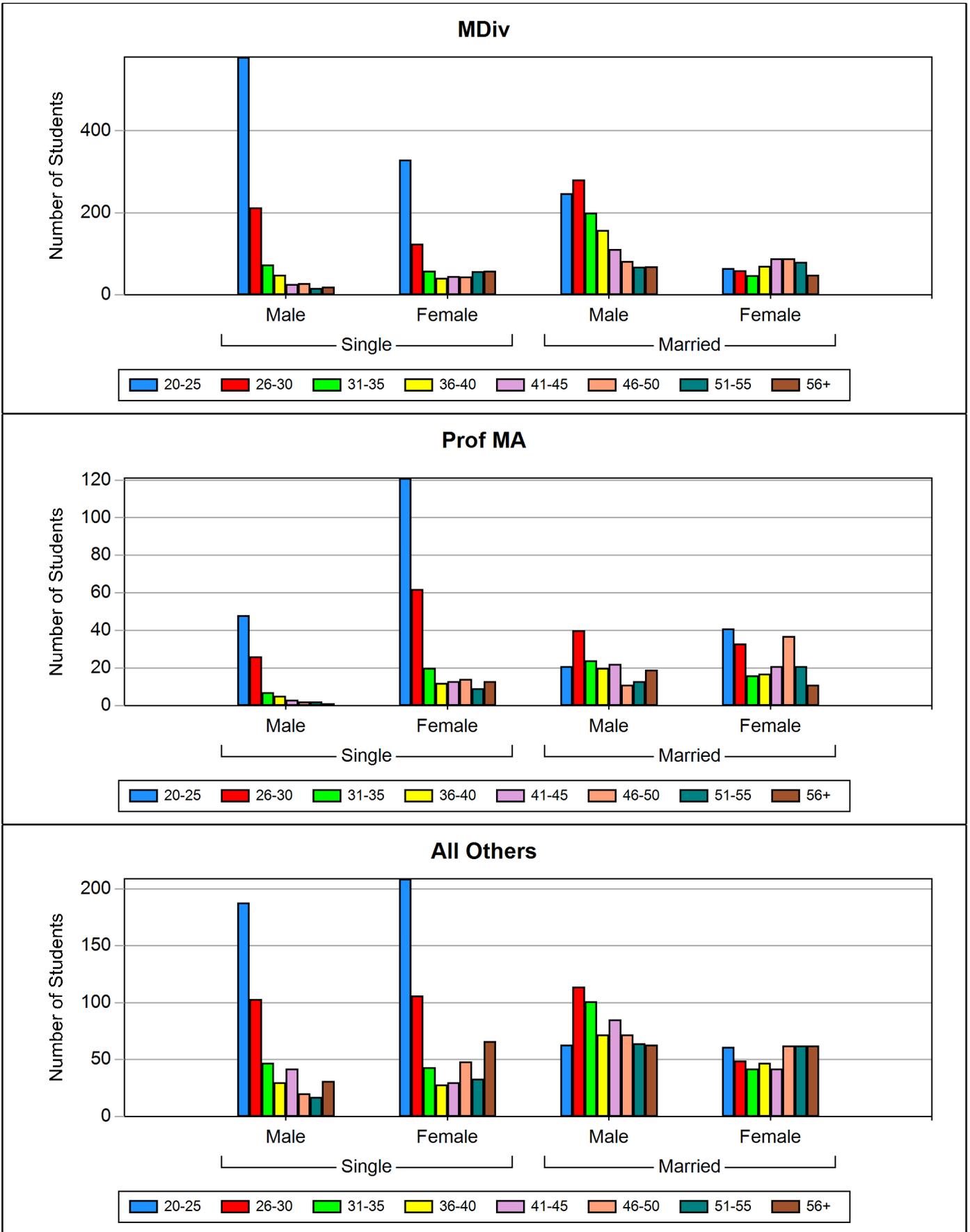
All Schools

MDiv	SINGLE				MARRIED				TOTAL	
	Male		Female		Male		Female		#	%
<b>Age Range</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>
20-25	580	47.5	329	27.0	247	20.2	64	5.2	1,220	34.7
26-30	212	31.4	124	18.4	280	41.5	59	8.7	675	19.2
31-35	73	19.3	58	15.3	200	52.9	47	12.4	378	10.8
36-40	48	15.2	41	13.0	157	49.7	70	22.2	316	9.0
41-45	26	9.6	45	16.7	111	41.1	88	32.6	270	7.7
46-50	28	11.6	44	18.2	82	33.9	88	36.4	242	6.9
51-55	16	7.2	57	25.8	68	30.8	80	36.2	221	6.3
56 or older	19	9.8	58	29.9	69	35.6	48	24.7	194	5.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,002</b>	<b>28.5</b>	<b>756</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>1,214</b>	<b>34.5</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>15.5</b>	<b>3,516</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Prof MA	SINGLE				MARRIED				TOTAL	
	Male		Female		Male		Female		#	%
<b>Age Range</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>
20-25	48	20.8	121	52.4	21	9.1	41	17.7	231	31.9
26-30	26	16.1	62	38.5	40	24.8	33	20.5	161	22.2
31-35	7	10.4	20	29.9	24	35.8	16	23.9	67	9.2
36-40	5	9.3	12	22.2	20	37.0	17	31.5	54	7.4
41-45	3	5.1	13	22.0	22	37.3	21	35.6	59	8.1
46-50	2	3.1	14	21.9	11	17.2	37	57.8	64	8.8
51-55	2	4.4	9	20.0	13	28.9	21	46.7	45	6.2
56 or older	1	2.3	13	29.5	19	43.2	11	25.0	44	6.1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>36.4</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>23.4</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>27.2</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>100.0</b>

All Others	SINGLE				MARRIED				TOTAL	
	Male		Female		Male		Female		#	%
<b>Age Range</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>
20-25	188	36.1	209	40.1	63	12.1	61	11.7	521	24.8
26-30	103	27.7	106	28.5	114	30.6	49	13.2	372	17.7
31-35	47	20.2	43	18.5	101	43.3	42	18.0	233	11.1
36-40	30	16.9	28	15.8	72	40.7	47	26.6	177	8.4
41-45	42	21.1	30	15.1	85	42.7	42	21.1	199	9.5
46-50	20	9.9	48	23.8	72	35.6	62	30.7	202	9.6
51-55	17	9.7	33	18.8	64	36.4	62	35.2	176	8.4
56 or older	31	14.0	66	29.7	63	28.4	62	27.9	222	10.6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>22.7</b>	<b>563</b>	<b>26.8</b>	<b>634</b>	<b>30.2</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>20.3</b>	<b>2,102</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**CHART 3: Enrollment of Students by Age, Marital Status, and Gender**



## TABLE 4: Age Range and Racial Identity

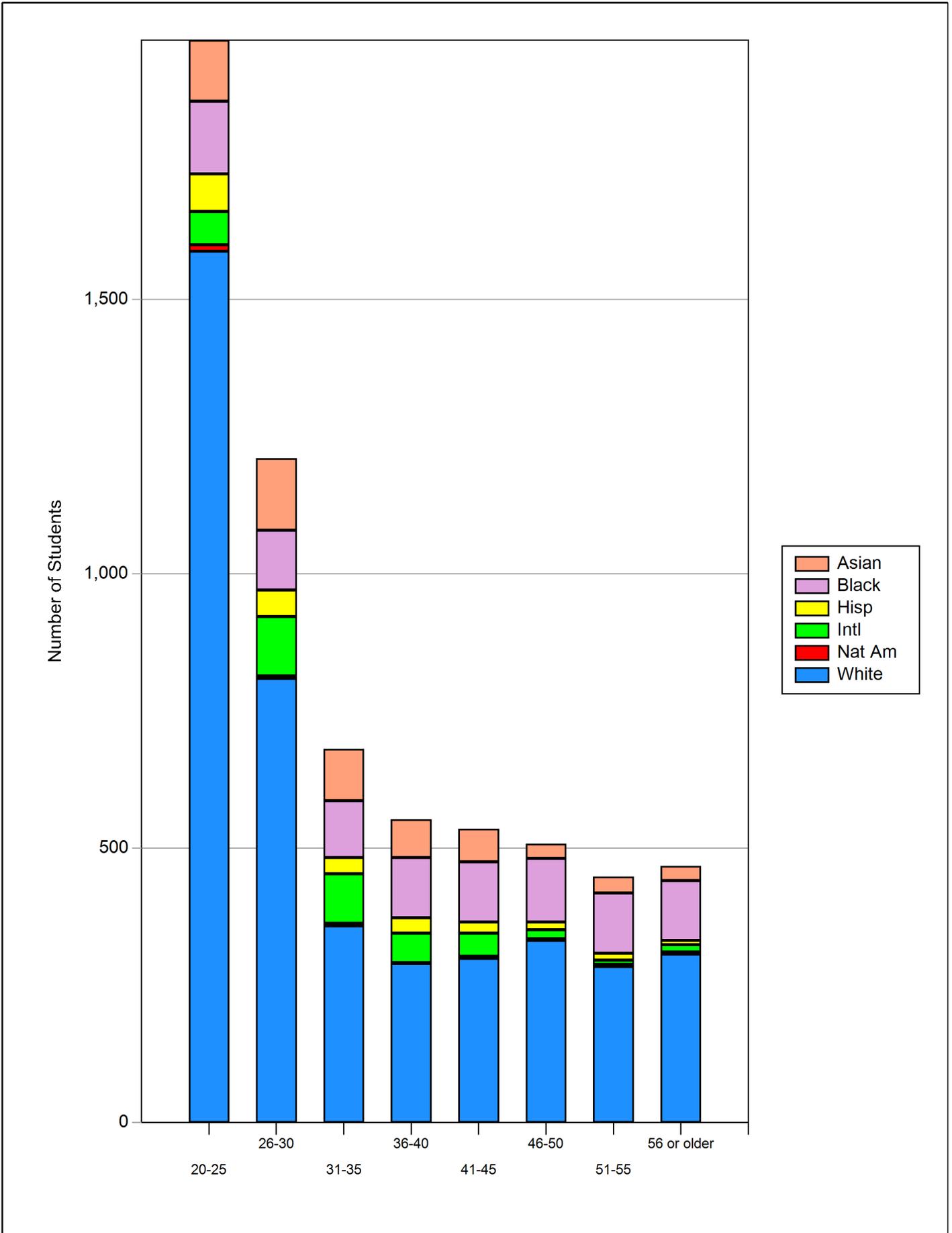
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All Schools

Age Range	Asian		Black		Hisp		Nat Am		White		Intl		Total #
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	
20-25	112	20.4	132	14.7	69	30.1	12	31.6	1,588	37.2	60	15.3	1,973
26-30	131	23.8	109	12.1	48	21.0	5	13.2	809	19.0	108	27.6	1,210
31-35	95	17.3	103	11.5	30	13.1	5	13.2	358	8.4	90	23.0	681
36-40	69	12.5	110	12.2	28	12.2	1	2.6	290	6.8	54	13.8	552
41-45	60	10.9	110	12.2	20	8.7	4	10.5	299	7.0	42	10.7	535
46-50	27	4.9	116	12.9	14	6.1	3	7.9	332	7.8	16	4.1	508
51-55	30	5.5	110	12.2	12	5.2	4	10.5	284	6.7	8	2.0	448
56 or older	26	4.7	109	12.1	8	3.5	4	10.5	307	7.2	13	3.3	467
<b>Total</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>899</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>4,267</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>6,374</b>

TOTALS FOR TABLE 4		
Age Range	#	%
20-25	1,973	31.0
26-30	1,210	19.0
31-35	681	10.7
36-40	552	8.7
41-45	535	8.4
46-50	508	8.0
51-55	448	7.0
56 or older	467	7.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,374</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**CHART 4: Age Range and Racial Identity**



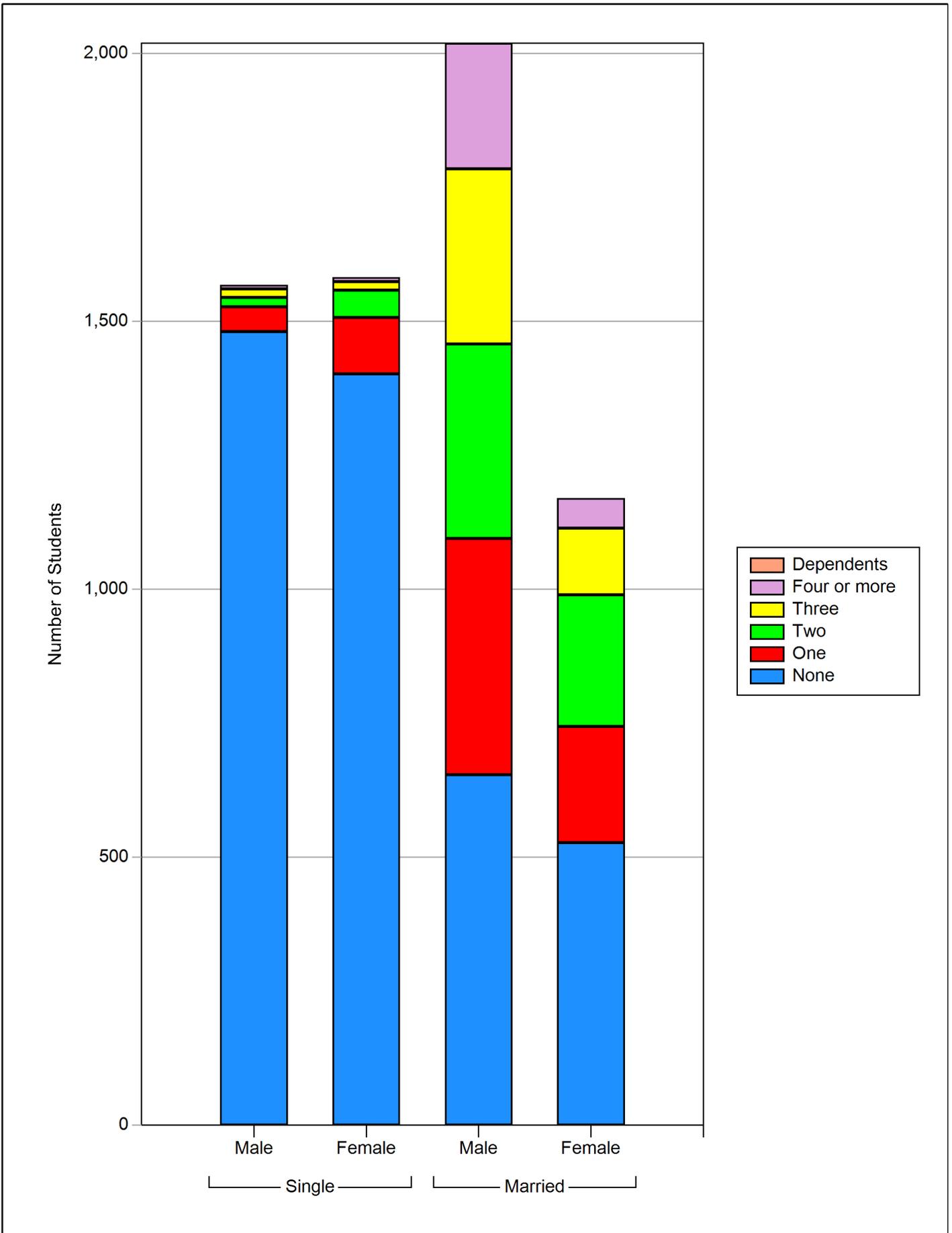
**TABLE 5: Number of Dependents by Gender and Marital Status**

ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All

All Schools

No. of Dependents	Single				Married				Total	
	Male		Female		Male		Female			
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
None	1,481	36.4	1,402	34.5	654	16.1	527	13.0	4,064	64.1
One	46	5.7	105	13.0	441	54.5	217	26.8	809	12.8
Two	18	2.7	51	7.5	363	53.5	246	36.3	678	10.7
Three	16	3.3	16	3.3	327	67.7	124	25.7	483	7.6
Four or more	7	2.3	8	2.6	234	76.7	56	18.4	305	4.8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,568</b>	<b>24.7</b>	<b>1,582</b>	<b>25.0</b>	<b>2,019</b>	<b>31.9</b>	<b>1,170</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>6,339</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**CHART 5: Number of Dependents by Gender and Marital Status**



**TABLE 6: Highest Level of Education of Students' Parents or Guardians**

ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All

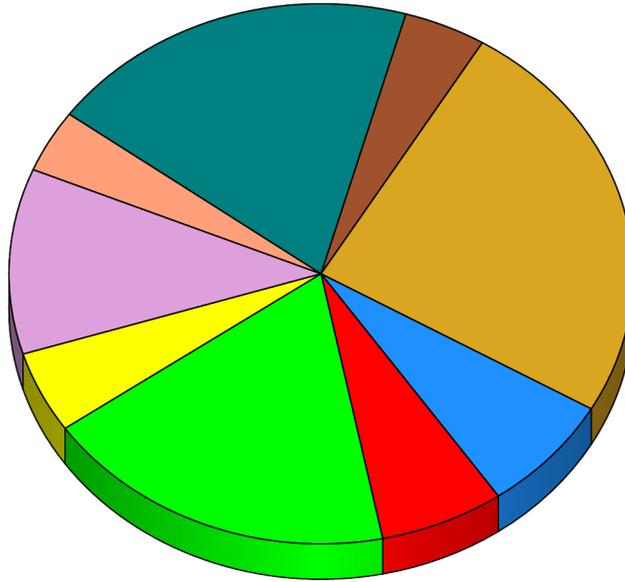
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Highest Level of Education	Father/Guardian		Mother/Guardian		Total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Grade school	448	7.0	342	5.4	790	6.2
Some high school	410	6.5	402	6.3	812	6.4
High school diploma or equivalent	1,174	18.5	1,459	22.9	2,633	20.7
Business or trade school	311	4.9	322	5.1	633	5.0
Some college	706	11.1	835	13.1	1,541	12.1
Associate's or 2-year degree	239	3.8	506	8.0	745	5.9
Bachelor's or 4-year degree	1,228	19.3	1,324	20.8	2,552	20.1
Some graduate or professional school	271	4.3	271	4.3	542	4.3
Graduate or professional degree	1,569	24.7	900	14.1	2,469	19.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,356</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>6,361</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>12,717</b>	<b>100.0</b>

TOTALS FOR TABLE 6		
Highest Level of Education	#	%
Grade school	790	6.2
Some high school	812	6.4
High school diploma or equivalent	2,633	20.7
Business or trade school	633	5.0
Some college	1,541	12.1
Associate's or 2-year degree	745	5.9
Bachelor's or 4-year degree	2,552	20.1
Some graduate or professional school	542	4.3
Graduate or professional degree	2,469	19.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,717</b>	<b>100.0</b>

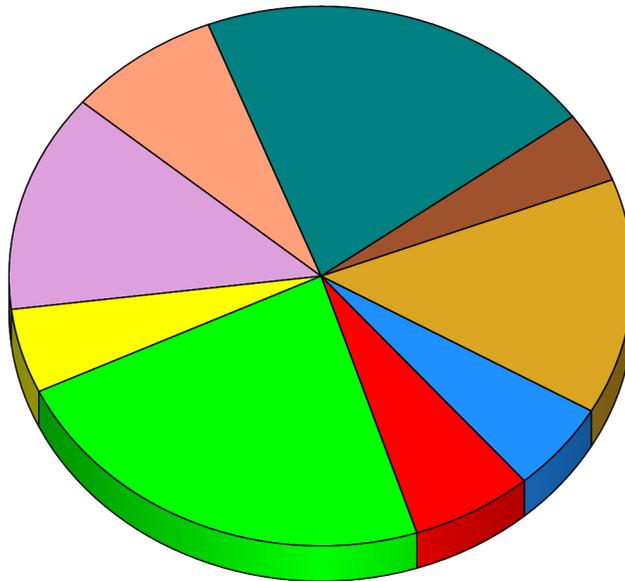
**CHART 6: Highest Level of Education of Students' Parents or Guardians**

Father



Grade school - 7.0%	Business/trade - 4.9%	Bachelor's - 19.3%
Some high school - 6.5%	Some college - 11.1%	Some grad - 4.3%
Diploma - 18.5%	Associate's - 3.8%	Graduate - 24.7%

Mother



Grade school - 5.4%	Business/trade - 5.1%	Bachelor's - 20.8%
Some high school - 6.3%	Some college - 13.1%	Some grad - 4.3%
Diploma - 22.9%	Associate's - 8.0%	Graduate - 14.1%

**TABLE 7: Area of Undergraduate Degree and Type of Institution**

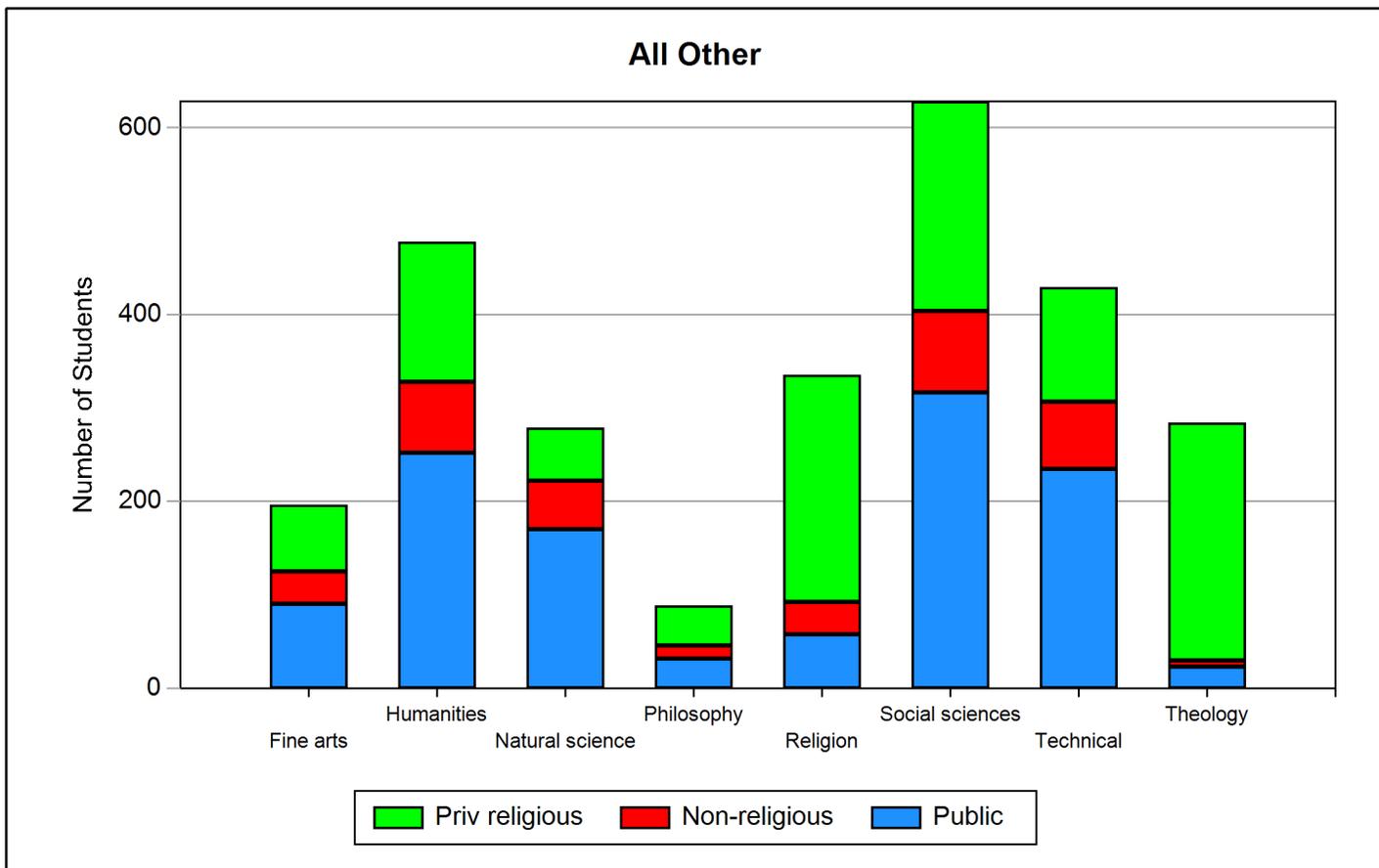
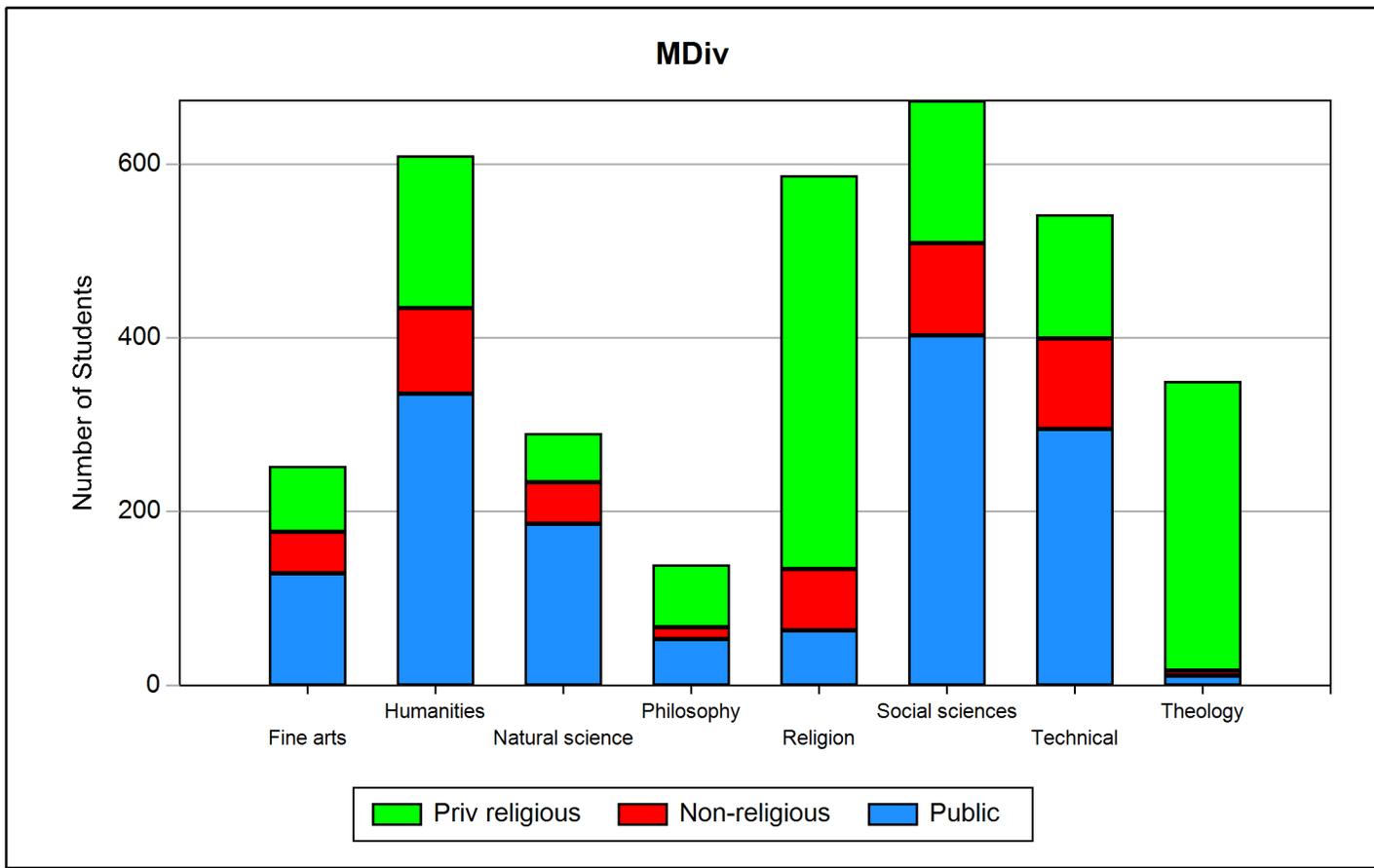
ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All

All Schools

TOTALS FOR TABLE 7								
Area of Degree	Public		Priv Non Rel		Priv Rel		Total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Fine arts	219	48.8	83	18.5	147	32.7	449	7.3
Humanities	588	54.0	175	16.1	326	29.9	1,089	17.6
Natural/physical sciences	357	62.6	100	17.5	113	19.8	570	9.2
Philosophy	85	37.4	28	12.3	114	50.2	227	3.7
Religion	121	13.1	106	11.4	699	75.5	926	15.0
Social/behavioral sciences	724	55.4	193	14.8	389	29.8	1,306	21.1
Technical studies	532	54.7	176	18.1	265	27.2	973	15.8
Theology	34	5.4	13	2.0	588	92.6	635	10.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,660</b>	<b>43.1</b>	<b>874</b>	<b>14.2</b>	<b>2,641</b>	<b>42.8</b>	<b>6,175</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Area of Degree	MDiv								All Others							
	Public		Priv Non Rel		Priv Rel		Total		Public		Priv Non Rel		Priv Rel		Total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Fine arts	129	51.2	48	19.0	75	29.8	252	7.3	90	45.9	35	17.9	71	36.2	196	7.2
Humanities	336	55.1	98	16.1	176	28.9	610	17.7	252	52.7	76	15.9	150	31.4	478	17.6
Natural/physical sciences	186	64.1	48	16.6	56	19.3	290	8.4	170	60.9	52	18.6	57	20.4	279	10.3
Philosophy	53	38.1	14	10.1	72	51.8	139	4.0	32	36.4	14	15.9	42	47.7	88	3.2
Religion	63	10.7	71	12.1	453	77.2	587	17.0	58	17.3	34	10.1	243	72.5	335	12.3
Social/behavioral sciences	403	59.9	106	15.8	164	24.4	673	19.5	317	50.5	87	13.9	224	35.7	628	23.1
Technical studies	295	54.4	104	19.2	143	26.4	542	15.7	235	54.8	72	16.8	122	28.4	429	15.8
Theology	11	3.1	6	1.7	333	95.1	350	10.2	23	8.1	7	2.5	254	89.4	284	10.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,476</b>	<b>42.9</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>14.4</b>	<b>1,472</b>	<b>42.8</b>	<b>3,443</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,177</b>	<b>43.3</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>13.9</b>	<b>1,163</b>	<b>42.8</b>	<b>2,717</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**CHART 7: Area of Undergraduate Degree and Type of Institution**



**TABLE 8: Highest Degree Beyond Bachelor's**

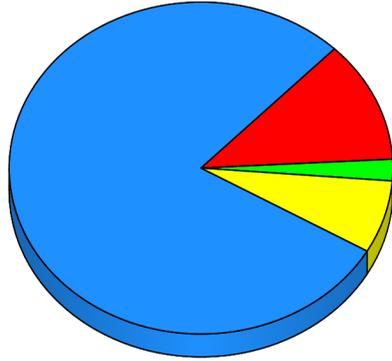
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All Schools

Highest Degree	MDiv		Prof MA		All Others		Total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
None	2,792	78.9	596	82.0	1,247	59.0	4,635	72.7
EdD	3	0.1	3	0.4	16	0.8	22	0.3
JD/LLB	44	1.2	10	1.4	24	1.1	78	1.2
Master's	421	11.9	64	8.8	370	17.5	855	13.4
MBA	74	2.1	14	1.9	42	2.0	130	2.0
MD	7	0.2	1	0.1	15	0.7	23	0.4
MDiv	35	1.0	13	1.8	232	11.0	280	4.4
MSW	29	0.8	1	0.1	13	0.6	43	0.7
PhD	44	1.2	6	0.8	48	2.3	98	1.5
Other Degree	33	0.9	11	1.5	36	1.7	80	1.3
Other Doctorate	10	0.3	1	0.1	13	0.6	24	0.4
Other Professional	46	1.3	7	1.0	58	2.7	111	1.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,538</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>727</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,114</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>6,379</b>	<b>100.0</b>

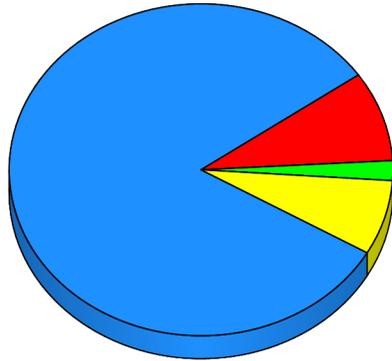
## CHART 8: Highest Degree Beyond Bachelor's

### MDiv



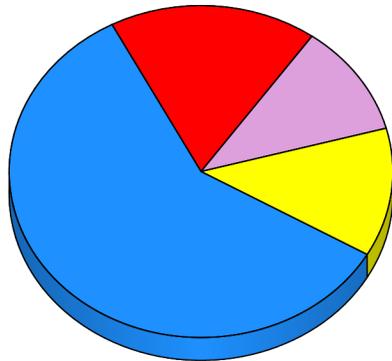
None - 78.9%    Master's - 11.9%    MBA - 2.1%    Other - 7.1%

### Prof MA



None - 82.0%    Master's - 8.8%    MBA - 1.9%    Other - 7.3%

### All Other



None - 59.0%    Master's - 17.5%    MDiv - 11.0%    Other - 12.5%

**TABLE 9: Educational and Non-educational Debt by Degree Program and Gender for Full-time Respondents**

ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All, ANSWERS=(9/1/2008 - 8/31/2009)

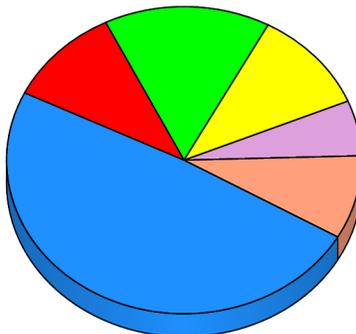
All Schools

Educational Debt	MDiv				Prof MA				All Others				Total	
	Male		Female		Male		Female		Male		Female			
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
None	852	48.9	466	48.8	92	58.6	156	52.7	352	56.1	276	54.0	2,194	51.2
Less than \$10,000	178	10.2	105	11.0	14	8.9	35	11.8	63	10.0	48	9.4	443	10.3
\$10,000 to \$19,999	281	16.1	127	13.3	25	15.9	38	12.8	82	13.1	59	11.5	612	14.3
\$20,000 to \$29,999	183	10.5	110	11.5	10	6.4	30	10.1	53	8.4	38	7.4	424	9.9
\$30,000 to \$39,999	100	5.7	57	6.0	9	5.7	15	5.1	32	5.1	35	6.8	248	5.8
More than \$40,000	147	8.4	90	9.4	7	4.5	22	7.4	46	7.3	55	10.8	367	8.6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,741</b>	<b>40.6</b>	<b>955</b>	<b>22.3</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>14.6</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>4,288</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Non-educational Debt	MDiv				Prof MA				All Others				Total	
	Male		Female		Male		Female		Male		Female			
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
None	964	55.6	448	47.1	83	53.2	153	52.0	397	63.7	286	56.0	2,331	54.6
Less than \$10,000	426	24.6	260	27.3	38	24.4	92	31.3	135	21.7	129	25.2	1,080	25.3
\$10,000 to \$19,999	163	9.4	107	11.2	22	14.1	26	8.8	46	7.4	44	8.6	408	9.6
\$20,000 to \$29,999	81	4.7	46	4.8	6	3.8	11	3.7	20	3.2	26	5.1	190	4.4
\$30,000 to \$39,999	34	2.0	27	2.8	1	0.6	3	1.0	7	1.1	8	1.6	80	1.9
More than \$40,000	66	3.8	64	6.7	6	3.8	9	3.1	18	2.9	18	3.5	181	4.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,734</b>	<b>40.6</b>	<b>952</b>	<b>22.3</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>623</b>	<b>14.6</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>4,270</b>	<b>100.0</b>

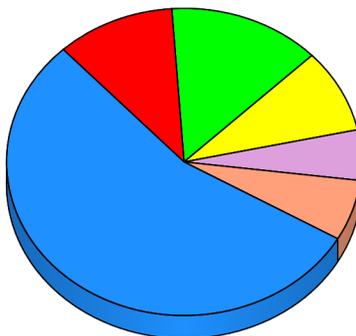
# CHART 9A: Educational Debt for Full-time Respondents

### MDiv



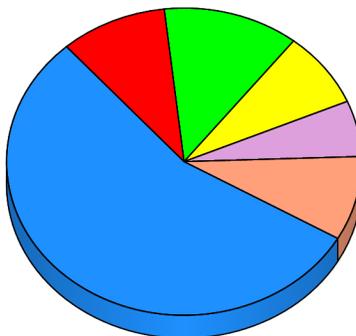
None - 48.9%	\$20,000 to \$29,999 - 10.9%
Less than \$10,000 - 10.5%	\$30,000 to \$39,999 - 5.8%
\$10,000 to \$19,999 - 15.1%	More than \$40,000 - 8.8%

### Prof MA



None - 54.7%	\$20,000 to \$29,999 - 8.8%
Less than \$10,000 - 10.8%	\$30,000 to \$39,999 - 5.3%
\$10,000 to \$19,999 - 13.9%	More than \$40,000 - 6.4%

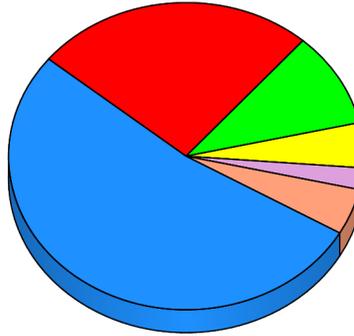
### All Other



None - 55.1%	\$20,000 to \$29,999 - 8.0%
Less than \$10,000 - 9.7%	\$30,000 to \$39,999 - 5.9%
\$10,000 to \$19,999 - 12.4%	More than \$40,000 - 8.9%

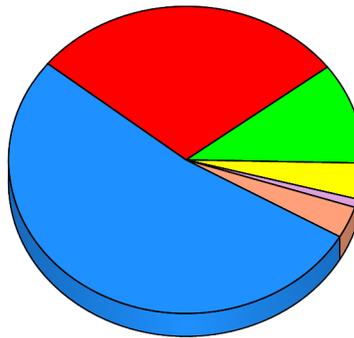
# CHART 9B: Non-educational Debt for Full-time Respondents

## MDiv



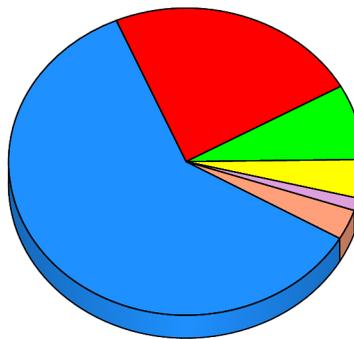
None - 52.6%	\$20,000 to \$29,999 - 4.7%
Less than \$10,000 - 25.5%	\$30,000 to \$39,999 - 2.3%
\$10,000 to \$19,999 - 10.1%	More than \$40,000 - 4.8%

## Prof MA



None - 52.4%	\$20,000 to \$29,999 - 3.8%
Less than \$10,000 - 28.9%	\$30,000 to \$39,999 - 0.9%
\$10,000 to \$19,999 - 10.7%	More than \$40,000 - 3.3%

## All Other



None - 60.2%	\$20,000 to \$29,999 - 4.1%
Less than \$10,000 - 23.3%	\$30,000 to \$39,999 - 1.3%
\$10,000 to \$19,999 - 7.9%	More than \$40,000 - 3.2%

**TABLE 10: Educational and Non-educational Debt by Degree Program and Gender for All Respondents**

ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All, ANSWERS=(9/1/2008 - 8/31/2009)

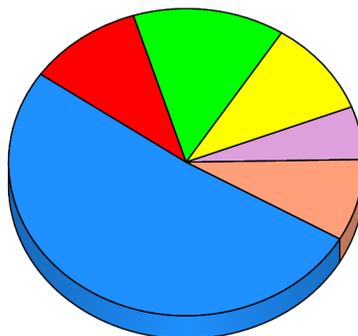
All Schools

Educational Debt	MDiv				Prof MA				All Others				Total	
	Male		Female		Male		Female		Male		Female			
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
None	1,126	50.9	676	52.2	161	60.8	259	56.1	685	61.6	616	62.3	3,523	55.6
Less than \$10,000	228	10.3	140	10.8	22	8.3	49	10.6	107	9.6	88	8.9	634	10.0
\$10,000 to \$19,999	331	15.0	155	12.0	38	14.3	53	11.5	118	10.6	83	8.4	778	12.3
\$20,000 to \$29,999	227	10.3	127	9.8	16	6.0	42	9.1	80	7.2	62	6.3	554	8.7
\$30,000 to \$39,999	122	5.5	74	5.7	12	4.5	24	5.2	48	4.3	55	5.6	335	5.3
More than \$40,000	178	8.0	124	9.6	16	6.0	35	7.6	74	6.7	84	8.5	511	8.1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,212</b>	<b>34.9</b>	<b>1,296</b>	<b>20.5</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>462</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>1,112</b>	<b>17.6</b>	<b>988</b>	<b>15.6</b>	<b>6,335</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Non-educational Debt	MDiv				Prof MA				All Others				Total	
	Male		Female		Male		Female		Male		Female			
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
None	1,143	51.9	556	43.1	125	47.5	232	50.8	635	57.6	509	51.6	3,200	50.8
Less than \$10,000	550	25.0	356	27.6	68	25.9	131	28.7	252	22.9	244	24.7	1,601	25.4
\$10,000 to \$19,999	234	10.6	153	11.9	35	13.3	47	10.3	94	8.5	106	10.7	669	10.6
\$20,000 to \$29,999	120	5.4	73	5.7	17	6.5	19	4.2	45	4.1	57	5.8	331	5.3
\$30,000 to \$39,999	47	2.1	43	3.3	3	1.1	6	1.3	15	1.4	17	1.7	131	2.1
More than \$40,000	108	4.9	110	8.5	15	5.7	22	4.8	61	5.5	54	5.5	370	5.9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,202</b>	<b>34.9</b>	<b>1,291</b>	<b>20.5</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>1,102</b>	<b>17.5</b>	<b>987</b>	<b>15.7</b>	<b>6,302</b>	<b>100.0</b>

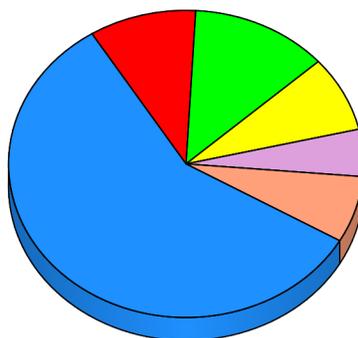
# CHART 10A: Educational Debt for All Respondents

### MDiv



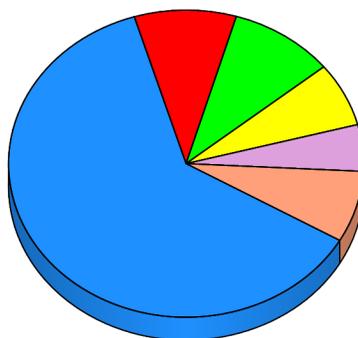
None - 51.4%	\$20,000 to \$29,999 - 10.1%
Less than \$10,000 - 10.5%	\$30,000 to \$39,999 - 5.6%
\$10,000 to \$19,999 - 13.9%	More than \$40,000 - 8.6%

### Prof MA



None - 57.8%	\$20,000 to \$29,999 - 8.0%
Less than \$10,000 - 9.8%	\$30,000 to \$39,999 - 5.0%
\$10,000 to \$19,999 - 12.5%	More than \$40,000 - 7.0%

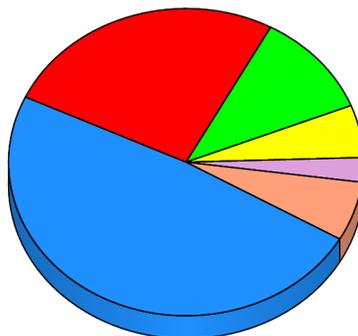
### All Other



None - 62.0%	\$20,000 to \$29,999 - 6.8%
Less than \$10,000 - 9.3%	\$30,000 to \$39,999 - 4.9%
\$10,000 to \$19,999 - 9.6%	More than \$40,000 - 7.5%

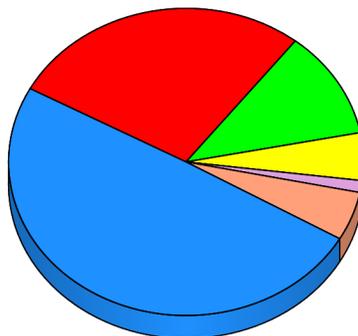
# CHART 10B: Non-educational Debt for All Respondents

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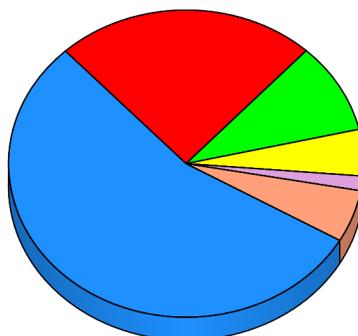
None - 48.6%	\$20,000 to \$29,999 - 5.5%
Less than \$10,000 - 25.9%	\$30,000 to \$39,999 - 2.6%
\$10,000 to \$19,999 - 11.1%	More than \$40,000 - 6.2%

### Prof MA



None - 49.6%	\$20,000 to \$29,999 - 5.0%
Less than \$10,000 - 27.6%	\$30,000 to \$39,999 - 1.3%
\$10,000 to \$19,999 - 11.4%	More than \$40,000 - 5.1%

### All Other



None - 54.8%	\$20,000 to \$29,999 - 4.9%
Less than \$10,000 - 23.7%	\$30,000 to \$39,999 - 1.5%
\$10,000 to \$19,999 - 9.6%	More than \$40,000 - 5.5%

**TABLE 11: Significance of Financial Aid Assistance in Choice of School**

ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All

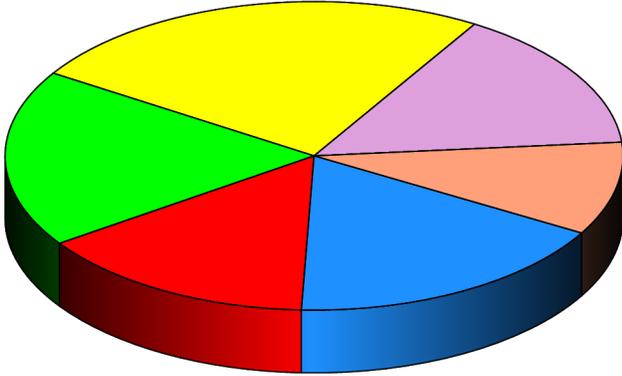
All Schools

Level of Significance	Single				Married				Total #
	Male		Female		Male		Female		
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	
Of no significance	270	24.5	207	18.8	379	34.4	247	22.4	1,103
Of some significance	230	25.2	223	24.5	301	33.0	157	17.2	911
Significant	290	26.2	278	25.2	356	32.2	181	16.4	1,105
Of great significance	385	25.1	429	28.0	460	30.0	258	16.8	1,532
Of greatest significance	232	22.5	319	30.9	305	29.6	175	17.0	1,031
Did not apply for financial aid	152	25.1	112	18.5	204	33.7	138	22.8	606
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,559</b>	<b>24.8</b>	<b>1,568</b>	<b>24.9</b>	<b>2,005</b>	<b>31.9</b>	<b>1,156</b>	<b>18.4</b>	<b>6,288</b>

TOTALS FOR TABLE 11		
Level of Significance	#	%
Of no significance	1,103	17.5
Of some significance	911	14.5
Significant	1,105	17.6
Of great significance	1,532	24.4
Of greatest significance	1,031	16.4
Did not apply for financial aid	606	9.6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,288</b>	<b>100.0</b>

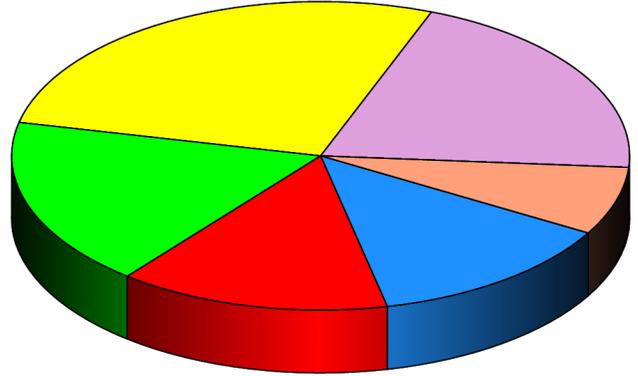
**CHART 11: Significance of Financial Aid Assistance in Choice of School**

**Male - Single**



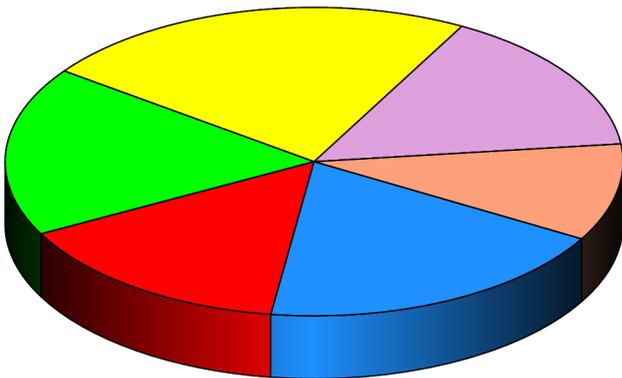
None - 17.3%	Great - 24.7%
Some - 14.8%	Greatest - 14.9%
Significant - 18.6%	N/A - 9.7%

**Female - Single**



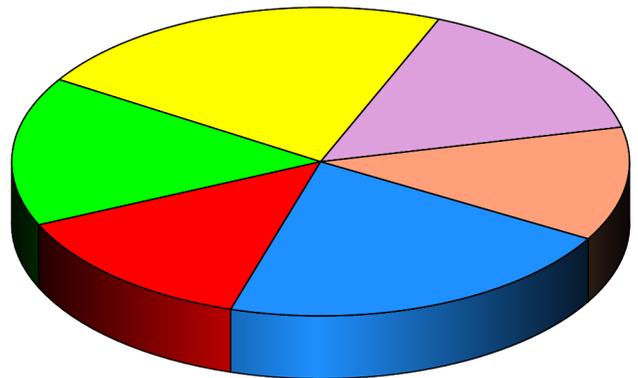
None - 13.2%	Great - 27.4%
Some - 14.2%	Greatest - 20.3%
Significant - 17.7%	N/A - 7.1%

**Male - Married**



None - 18.9%	Great - 22.9%
Some - 15.0%	Greatest - 15.2%
Significant - 17.8%	N/A - 10.2%

**Female - Married**



None - 21.4%	Great - 22.3%
Some - 13.6%	Greatest - 15.1%
Significant - 15.7%	N/A - 11.9%

**TABLE 12: Enrollment Status by Length of Commute and Planned Hours of Work per Week**

ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All

All Schools

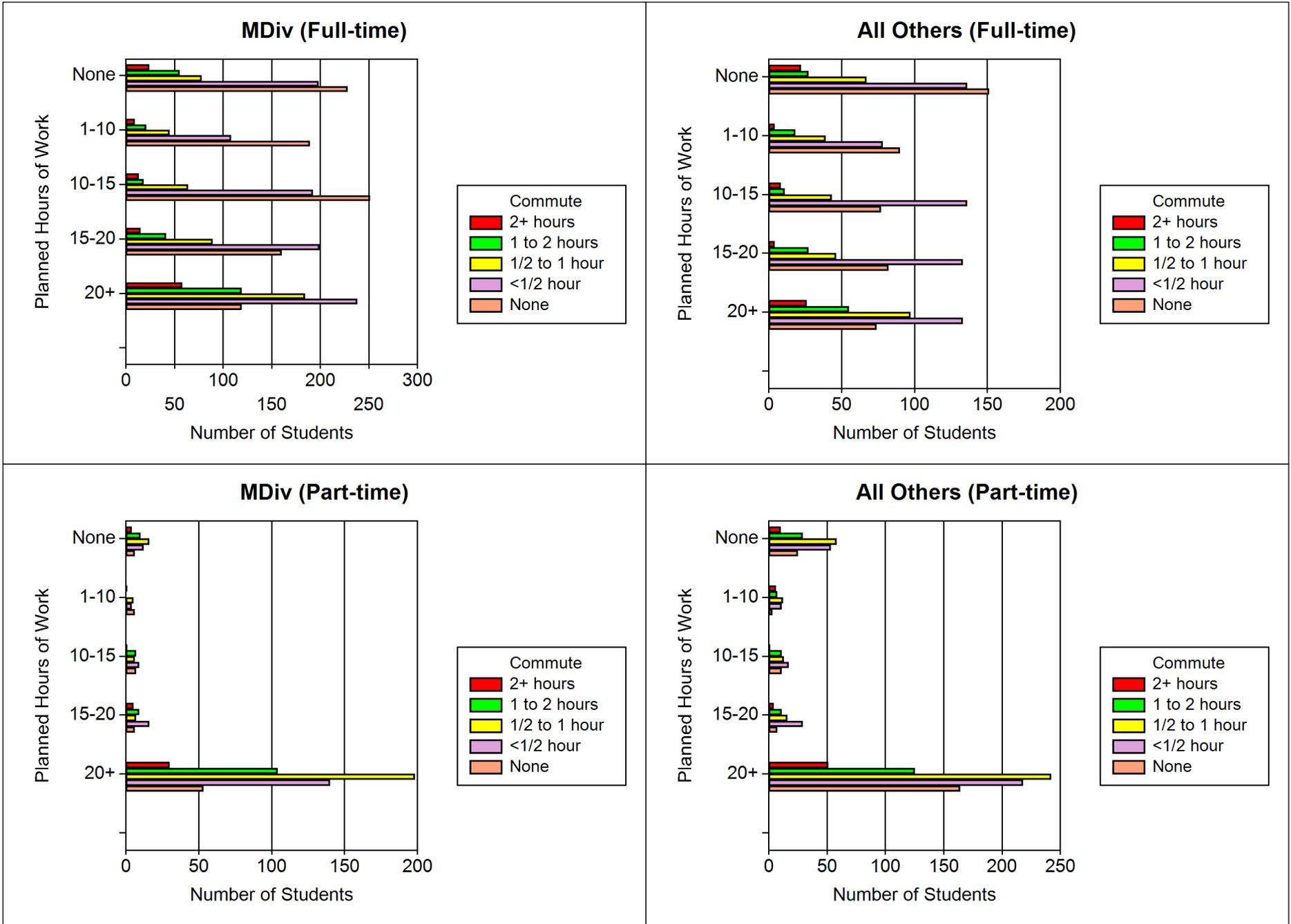
FULL-TIME STUDENTS (MDiv) - Planned Hours of Work per Week												
Length of Commute	None		1-10		10-15		15-20		More than 20		TOTAL	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
No commute	228	24.1	189	20.0	251	26.5	160	16.9	119	12.6	947	34.9
Less than 1/2 hour	198	21.2	108	11.6	192	20.5	199	21.3	238	25.5	935	34.4
1/2 to 1 hour	78	17.0	45	9.8	64	13.9	89	19.3	184	40.0	460	16.9
1 to 2 hours	55	21.7	21	8.3	18	7.1	41	16.1	119	46.9	254	9.4
More than 2 hours	24	20.2	9	7.6	13	10.9	15	12.6	58	48.7	119	4.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>583</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>13.7</b>	<b>538</b>	<b>19.8</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>18.6</b>	<b>718</b>	<b>26.4</b>	<b>2,715</b>	<b>100.0</b>

FULL-TIME STUDENTS (All Others) - Planned Hours of Work per Week												
Length of Commute	None		1-10		10-15		15-20		More than 20		TOTAL	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
No commute	151	31.9	90	19.0	77	16.2	82	17.3	74	15.6	474	29.9
Less than 1/2 hour	136	22.1	78	12.7	136	22.1	133	21.6	133	21.6	616	38.9
1/2 to 1 hour	67	22.9	39	13.4	43	14.7	46	15.8	97	33.2	292	18.4
1 to 2 hours	27	19.6	18	13.0	11	8.0	27	19.6	55	39.9	138	8.7
More than 2 hours	22	34.4	4	6.3	8	12.5	4	6.3	26	40.6	64	4.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>403</b>	<b>25.4</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>14.5</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>17.4</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>18.4</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>24.3</b>	<b>1,584</b>	<b>100.0</b>

PART-TIME STUDENTS (MDiv) - Planned Hours of Work per Week												
Length of Commute	None		1-10		10-15		15-20		More than 20		TOTAL	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
No commute	6	7.7	6	7.7	7	9.0	6	7.7	53	67.9	78	11.8
Less than 1/2 hour	12	6.6	4	2.2	9	5.0	16	8.8	140	77.3	181	27.3
1/2 to 1 hour	16	6.9	5	2.2	6	2.6	7	3.0	198	85.3	232	35.0
1 to 2 hours	10	7.7	0	0.0	7	5.4	9	6.9	104	80.0	130	19.6
More than 2 hours	4	9.8	1	2.4	1	2.4	5	12.2	30	73.2	41	6.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>79.3</b>	<b>662</b>	<b>100.0</b>

PART-TIME STUDENTS (All Others) - Planned Hours of Work per Week												
Length of Commute	None		1-10		10-15		15-20		More than 20		TOTAL	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
No commute	25	11.9	3	1.4	11	5.2	7	3.3	164	78.1	210	18.5
Less than 1/2 hour	53	16.2	11	3.4	17	5.2	29	8.8	218	66.5	328	28.9
1/2 to 1 hour	58	17.0	12	3.5	13	3.8	16	4.7	242	71.0	341	30.1
1 to 2 hours	29	15.8	7	3.8	11	6.0	11	6.0	125	68.3	183	16.1
More than 2 hours	10	13.9	6	8.3	1	1.4	4	5.6	51	70.8	72	6.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>15.4</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>70.5</b>	<b>1,134</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**CHART 12: Enrollment Status by Length of Commute and Planned Hours of Work per Week**



**TABLE 13: Religious Tradition of Upbringing and Current Denomination**

ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All, ANSWERS=(9/1/2008 - 8/31/2009)

All Schools

Religious Traditions	Denomination of Upbringing		Current Denomination	
	#	%	#	%
Advent Christian Church	5	0.1	10	0.2
African Methodist Episcopal	68	1.1	85	1.3
African Methodist Episcopal Zion	23	0.4	23	0.4
American Baptist Churches USA	52	0.8	43	0.7
Anglican Church of Canada	39	0.6	53	0.8
Anglican, Other	49	0.8	80	1.3
Assemblies of God	173	2.8	145	2.3
Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church	10	0.2	20	0.3
Associated Gospel Churches of Canada	2	0.0	4	0.1
Baptist	731	11.6	443	7.0
Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec	7	0.1	8	0.1
Baptist General Association of Virginia	2	0.0	6	0.1
Baptist General Conference	35	0.6	18	0.3
Baptist General Convention of Texas	23	0.4	40	0.6
Baptist Missionary Association of America	22	0.4	18	0.3
Baptist State Convention of North Carolina	10	0.2	10	0.2
Baptist Union of Western Canada	2	0.0	1	0.0
Baptist, Other	0	0.0	0	0.0
Brethren Church (Ashland, Ohio)	9	0.1	10	0.2
Brethren in Christ Church	2	0.0	7	0.1
Buddhist	20	0.3	7	0.1
Byzantine Catholic Archeparchy of Pittsburgh	2	0.0	3	0.0
Canadian Baptist Ministries	0	0.0	0	0.0
Canadian Convention of Southern Baptists	0	0.0	2	0.0
Christian and Missionary Alliance	56	0.9	78	1.2
Christian Brethren (Plymouth Brethren)	9	0.1	6	0.1
Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)	67	1.1	86	1.4
Christian Churches and Churches of Christ	62	1.0	54	0.8
Christian Methodist Episcopal	28	0.4	23	0.4
Christian Reformed Church	56	0.9	58	0.9
Church of God (Anderson, Indiana)	27	0.4	31	0.5
Church of God (Cleveland, Tennessee)	39	0.6	44	0.7

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ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All, ANSWERS=(9/1/2008 - 8/31/2009)

All Schools

Religious Traditions	Denomination of Upbringing		Current Denomination	
	#	%	#	%
Church of God in Christ	50	0.8	35	0.6
Church of the Brethren	15	0.2	21	0.3
Church of the Nazarene	61	1.0	62	1.0
Churches of Christ	60	1.0	37	0.6
Churches of God, General Conference	11	0.2	13	0.2
National Association of Congregational Christian Churches	11	0.2	5	0.1
Conference of Mennonites	1	0.0	1	0.0
Conservative Baptist Association of America	16	0.3	9	0.1
Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches	1	0.0	3	0.0
Cooperative Baptist Fellowship	14	0.2	36	0.6
Cumberland Presbyterian Church	15	0.2	17	0.3
Episcopal Church	171	2.7	237	3.7
Evangelical Church in Canada	0	0.0	0	0.0
Evangelical Congregational Church	12	0.2	20	0.3
Evangelical Covenant Church	35	0.6	60	0.9
Evangelical Formosan Church	0	0.0	9	0.1
Evangelical Free Church of America	51	0.8	88	1.4
Evangelical Free Church of Canada	1	0.0	7	0.1
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America	101	1.6	117	1.8
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada	9	0.1	11	0.2
Evangelical Presbyterian Church	24	0.4	36	0.6
Fellowship of Evangelical Baptist Churches in Canada	8	0.1	13	0.2
Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches	2	0.0	2	0.0
Foursquare Gospel Church	20	0.3	26	0.4
Free Methodist Church	24	0.4	28	0.4
Friends, Quaker	8	0.1	15	0.2
General Association of General Baptists	2	0.0	0	0.0
General Association of Regular Baptist Churches	7	0.1	2	0.0
General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina	0	0.0	1	0.0
General Church of New Jerusalem	0	0.0	0	0.0
Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	17	0.3	25	0.4
Independent Baptist	23	0.4	6	0.1

**TABLE 13: Religious Tradition of Upbringing and Current Denomination**

ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All, ANSWERS=(9/1/2008 - 8/31/2009)

All Schools

Religious Traditions	Denomination of Upbringing		Current Denomination	
	#	%	#	%
Independent Methodist	5	0.1	5	0.1
Inter/Multidenominational	31	0.5	57	0.9
Jewish	17	0.3	5	0.1
Lutheran Church-Canada	0	0.0	3	0.0
Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod	123	2.0	86	1.4
Lutheran, Other	75	1.2	32	0.5
Mennonite Brethren Church in North America	9	0.1	13	0.2
Mennonite Church Canada	15	0.2	12	0.2
Mennonite Church USA	33	0.5	35	0.6
Mennonite, Other	9	0.1	11	0.2
Methodist, Other	0	0.0	0	0.0
Missionary Church in Canada	0	0.0	1	0.0
Moravian Church in North America	5	0.1	5	0.1
Muslim	1	0.0	2	0.0
National Baptist Convention	22	0.4	30	0.5
Nondenominational	327	5.2	770	12.1
North American Baptist Conference	8	0.1	10	0.2
Not Available	191	3.0	75	1.2
Orthodox Church in America	2	0.0	10	0.2
Orthodox Presbyterian	10	0.2	11	0.2
Orthodox, Other	30	0.5	27	0.4
Other	349	5.6	292	4.6
Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada	21	0.3	9	0.1
Pentecostal, Other	0	0.0	0	0.0
Presbyterian Church in America	178	2.8	306	4.8
Presbyterian Church in Canada	15	0.2	20	0.3
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)	356	5.7	397	6.2
Presbyterian, Other	0	0.0	0	0.0
Progressive National Baptist Convention	4	0.1	2	0.0
Reformed Church in America	43	0.7	44	0.7
Reformed Church in Canada	1	0.0	0	0.0
Reformed Episcopal Church	1	0.0	0	0.0

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ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All, ANSWERS=(9/1/2008 - 8/31/2009)

All Schools

Religious Traditions	Denomination of Upbringing		Current Denomination	
	#	%	#	%
Reformed Presbyterian	21	0.3	21	0.3
Religious Society of Friends	4	0.1	5	0.1
Roman Catholic	805	12.8	518	8.1
Salvation Army	8	0.1	6	0.1
Seventh Day Baptist General Conference	3	0.0	2	0.0
Seventh-day Adventist	96	1.5	118	1.9
Southern Baptist Convention	336	5.4	236	3.7
Swedenborgian Church, General Convention	1	0.0	1	0.0
Union d'eglises baptistes francaises au Canada	0	0.0	0	0.0
Unitarian Universalist	15	0.2	48	0.8
United Church of Canada	43	0.7	34	0.5
United Church of Christ	85	1.4	143	2.2
United Methodist Church	544	8.7	569	8.9
United Pentecostal Church International	4	0.1	8	0.1
Wesleyan Church	32	0.5	22	0.3
Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod	1	0.0	0	0.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,279</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>6,359</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**TABLE 14: Worshiping Community and Service in Leadership**

ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All

All Schools

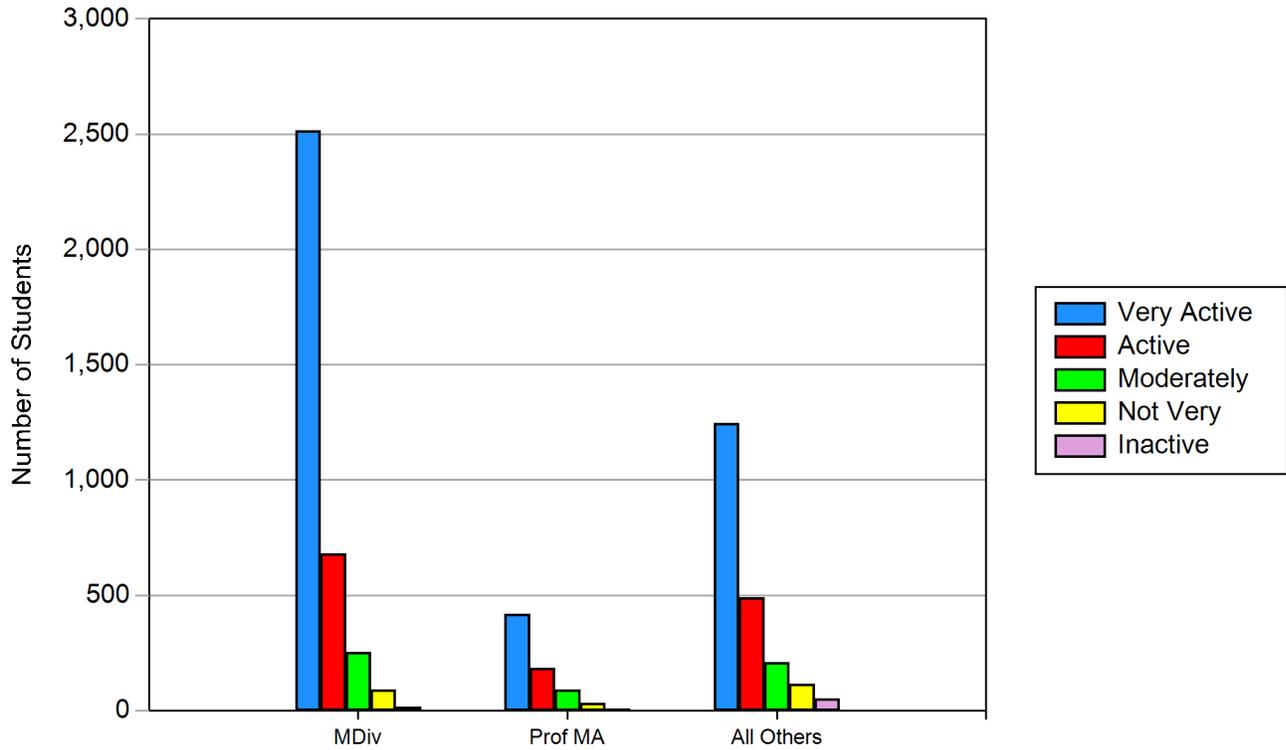
Recent Participation In Worshiping Community												
Participation	Very Active		Active		Moderately		Not Very		Inactive		Total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
MDiv	2,515	70.7	680	19.1	255	7.2	90	2.5	16	0.4	3,556	100.0
Prof MA	420	57.2	184	25.1	90	12.3	32	4.4	8	1.1	734	100.0
All Others	1,247	58.9	492	23.3	210	9.9	115	5.4	52	2.5	2,116	100.0

Elected or Appointed Service in Leadership within Past Five Years, Kind and Church Size										
Service in Leadership	MDiv		Prof MA		All Others		Total			
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Local church	2,541	41.6	449	41.1	1,252	39.0	4,242	40.8		
Other church body or religious organization	824	13.5	159	14.6	459	14.3	1,442	13.9		
School or college organization	1,096	18.0	172	15.8	528	16.4	1,796	17.3		
Civic or fraternal organization	324	5.3	36	3.3	133	4.1	493	4.7		
Other leadership position	936	15.3	138	12.6	445	13.8	1,519	14.6		
No recent leadership position	380	6.2	138	12.6	396	12.3	914	8.8		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,101</b>	<b>58.6</b>	<b>1,092</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>3,213</b>	<b>30.9</b>	<b>10,406</b>	<b>100.0</b>		

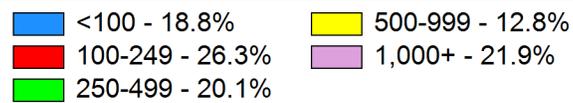
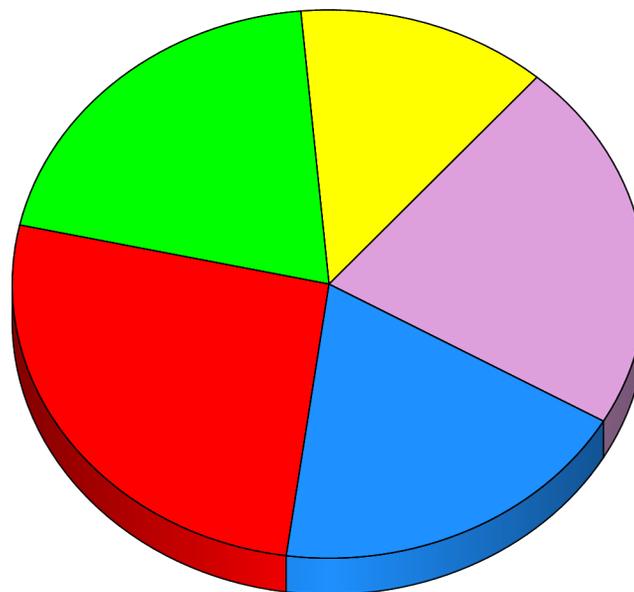
Membership												
Kind of Church	Under 100		100 - 249		250 - 499		500 - 999		1,000 or more		Total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Rural	164	46.1	109	30.6	49	13.8	16	4.5	18	5.1	356	7.9
Small town	214	24.6	316	36.4	207	23.8	81	9.3	51	5.9	869	19.3
Suburban	177	10.5	388	23.0	368	21.8	270	16.0	486	28.8	1,689	37.6
Urban	291	18.4	369	23.4	280	17.7	209	13.2	431	27.3	1,580	35.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>846</b>	<b>18.8</b>	<b>1,182</b>	<b>26.3</b>	<b>904</b>	<b>20.1</b>	<b>576</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>986</b>	<b>21.9</b>	<b>4,494</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## CHART 14: Worshiping Community and Size of Church

### Recent Participation in Worshiping Community



### Membership Size of Church



**TABLE 15: Importance of Factors in Decision to Pursue Theological Education**

ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All

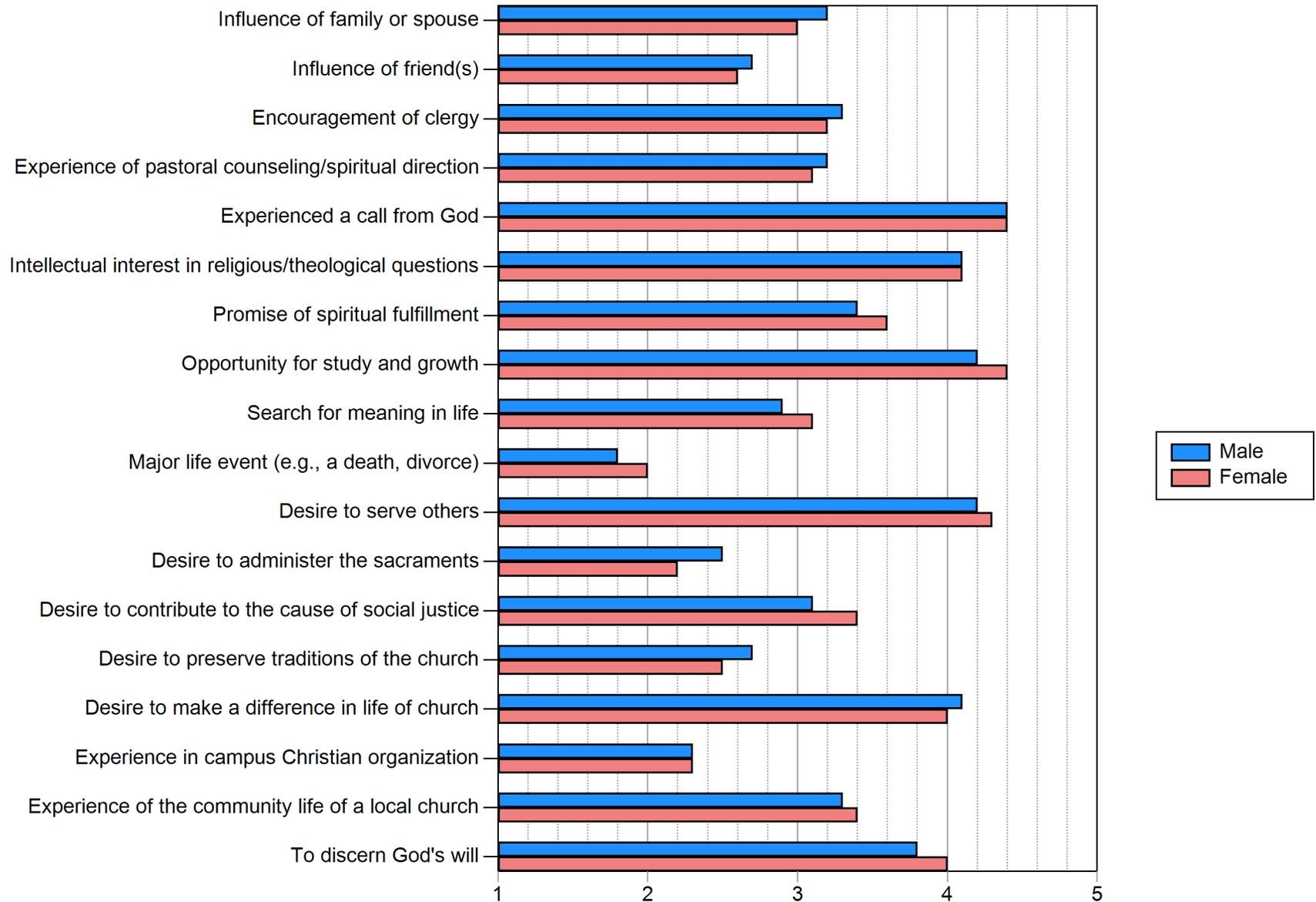
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Source of Influence	Male N = 3,606		Female N = 2,771	
	Avg	Std Dev	Avg	Std Dev
Influence of family or spouse	3.2	1.4	3.0	1.4
Influence of friend(s)	2.7	1.2	2.6	1.2
Encouragement of clergy	3.3	1.3	3.2	1.4
Experience of pastoral counseling/spiritual direction	3.2	1.3	3.1	1.4
Experienced a call from God	4.4	1.0	4.4	1.0
Intellectual interest in religious/theological questions	4.1	1.0	4.1	1.0
Promise of spiritual fulfillment	3.4	1.2	3.6	1.2
Opportunity for study and growth	4.2	0.9	4.4	0.8
Search for meaning in life	2.9	1.4	3.1	1.3
Major life event (e.g., a death, divorce)	1.8	1.2	2.0	1.3
Desire to serve others	4.2	0.9	4.3	0.9
Desire to administer the sacraments	2.5	1.4	2.2	1.4
Desire to contribute to the cause of social justice	3.1	1.3	3.4	1.3
Desire to preserve traditions of the church	2.7	1.3	2.5	1.3
Desire to make a difference in life of church	4.1	1.1	4.0	1.1
Experience in campus Christian organization	2.3	1.3	2.3	1.4
Experience of the community life of a local church	3.3	1.3	3.4	1.3
To discern God's will	3.8	1.3	4.0	1.2

1 - No importance	2 - Little importance	3 - Somewhat important	4 - Important	5 - Very important
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## CHART 15: Importance of Factors in Decision to Pursue Theological Education

(1 - No importance 2 - Little importance 3 - Somewhat important 4 - Important 5 - Very important)



**TABLE 16: Time First Considered Theological School and Plan for Ordination**

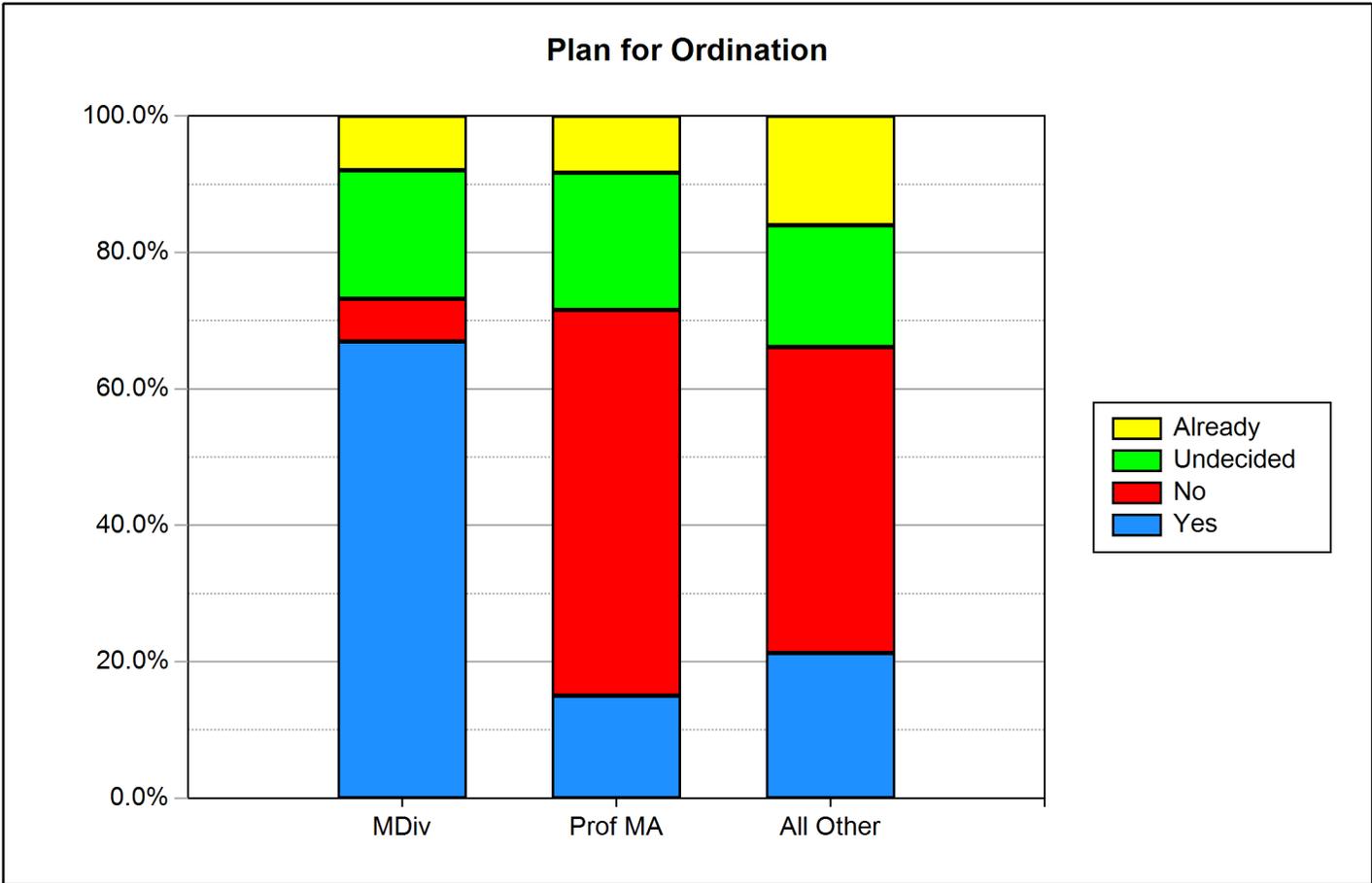
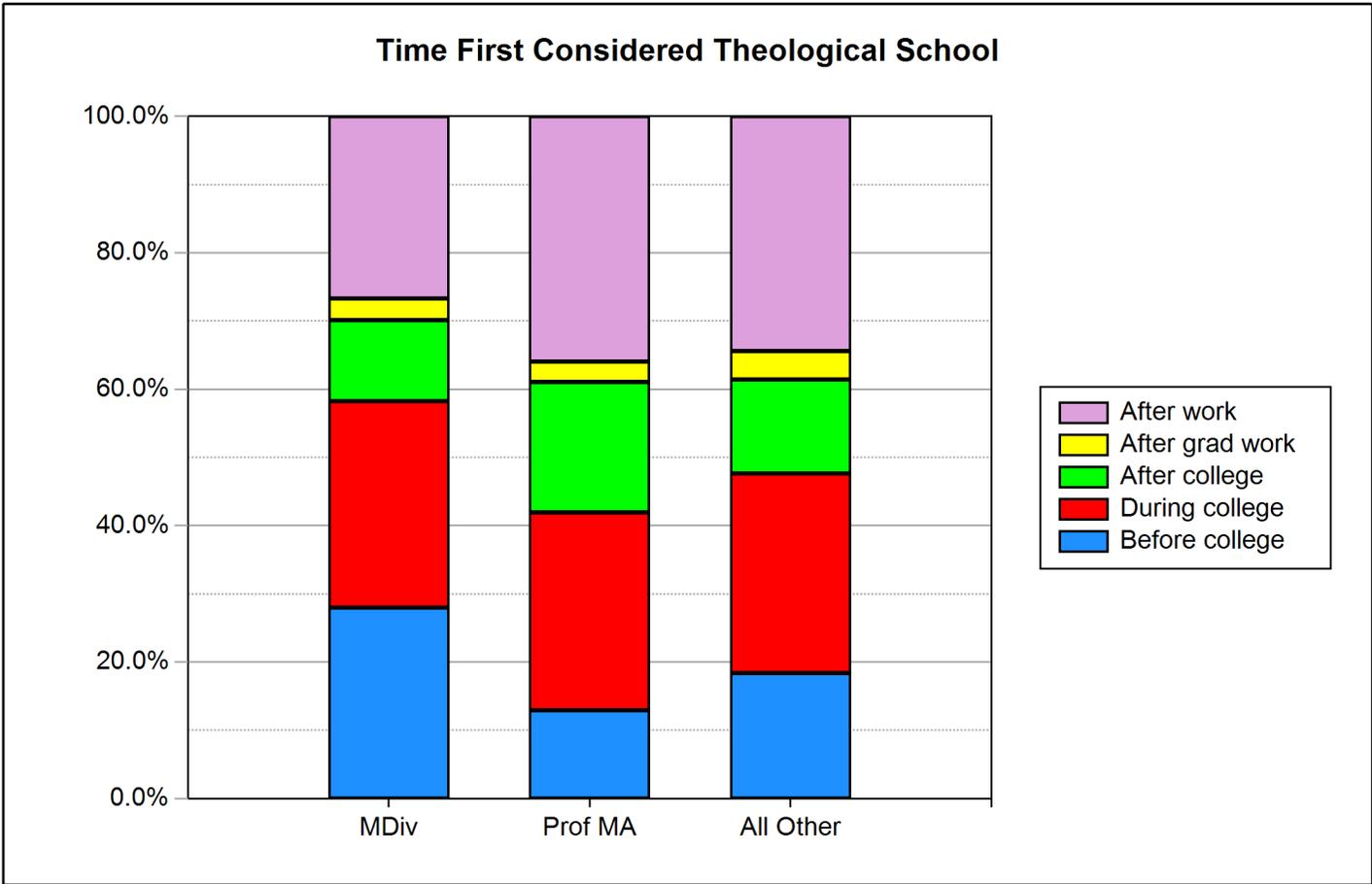
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All Schools

Time First Considered Theological School	MDiv		Prof MA		Other		Total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Before college	993	28.0	95	12.9	387	18.4	1,475	23.1
During college	1,076	30.3	213	29.0	616	29.3	1,905	29.8
After graduating from college	421	11.9	141	19.2	290	13.8	852	13.3
After graduate work	113	3.2	22	3.0	87	4.1	222	3.5
After two or more years of work experience	946	26.7	264	35.9	724	34.4	1,934	30.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,549</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,104</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>6,388</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Plan for Ordination	MDiv		Prof MA		Other		Total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Yes	2,378	66.9	110	15.0	451	21.3	2,939	45.9
No	223	6.3	415	56.6	953	44.9	1,591	24.8
Undecided	669	18.8	147	20.1	379	17.9	1,195	18.6
Already ordained	283	8.0	61	8.3	339	16.0	683	10.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,553</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>733</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,122</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>6,408</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**CHART 16: Time First Considered Theological School and Plan for Ordination**



**TABLE 17: Students' Perception of Institution and Personal Theological Positions**

ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All

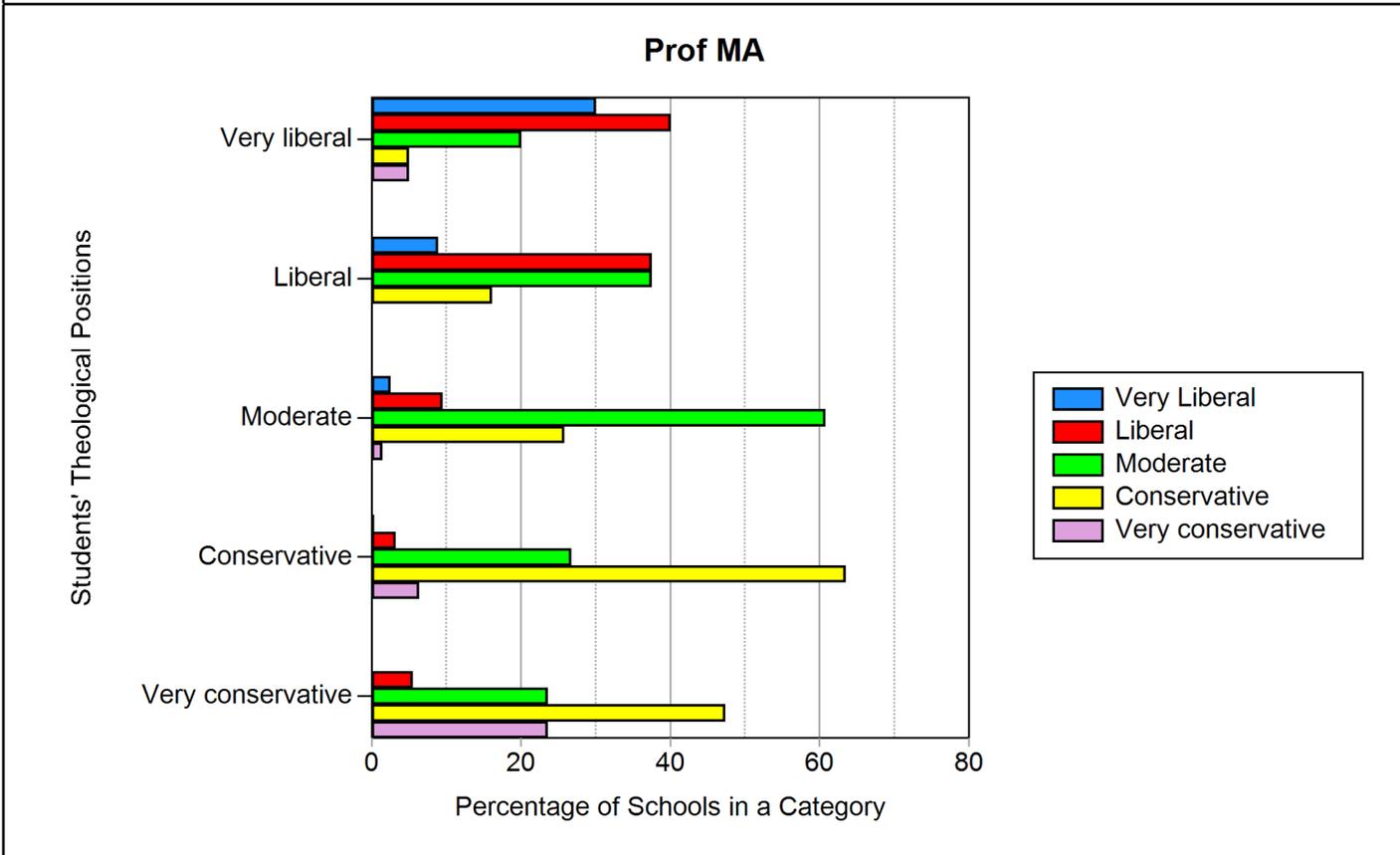
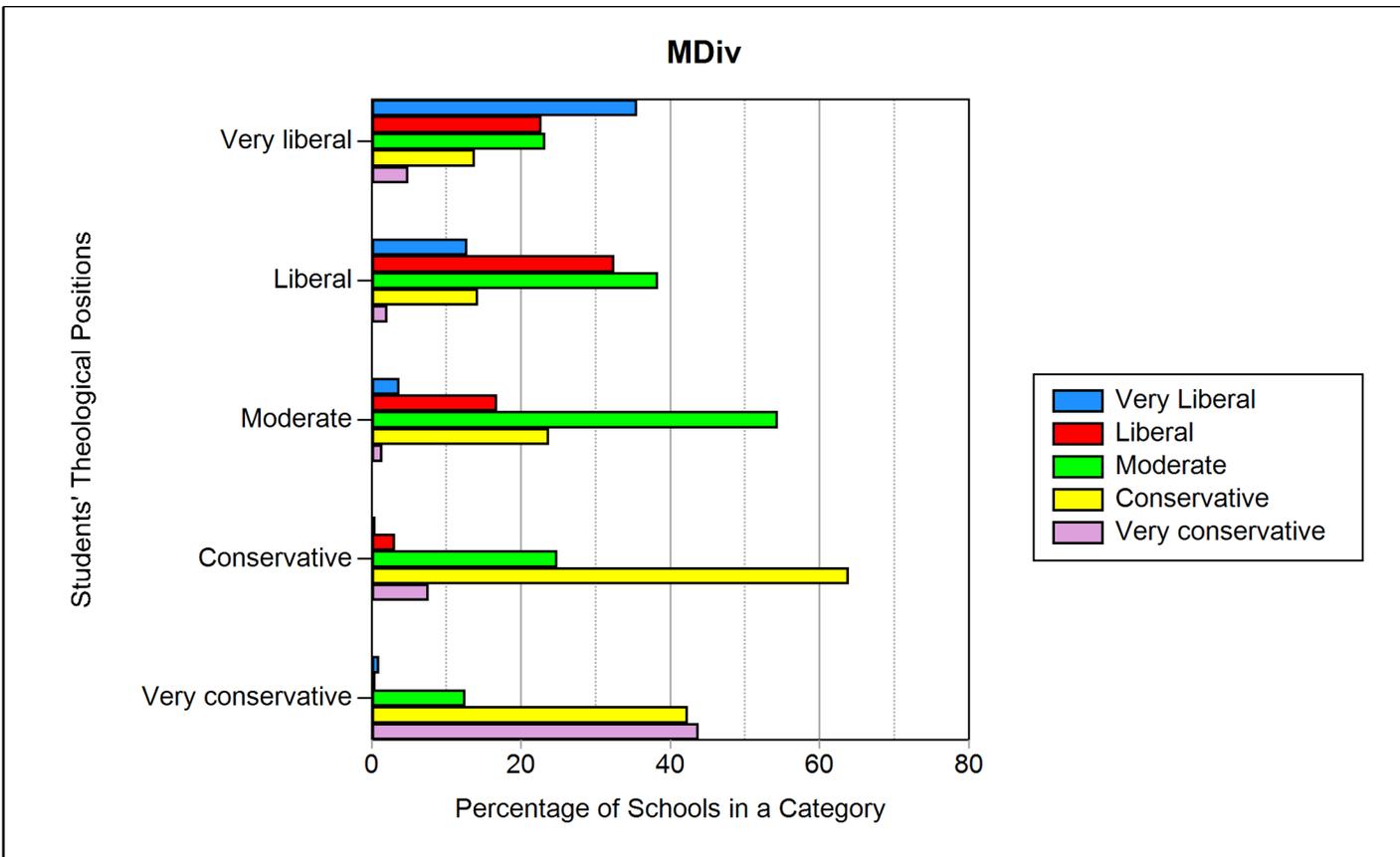
All Schools

MDiv	Personal											
	Very Conserv		Conserv		Moderate		Liberal		Very Liberal		TOTAL	
Institution	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Very conservative	91	43.8	88	42.3	26	12.5	1	0.5	2	1.0	208	5.9
Conservative	80	7.6	670	63.9	260	24.8	33	3.1	5	0.5	1,048	29.7
Moderate	19	1.4	319	23.7	733	54.4	227	16.8	50	3.7	1,348	38.3
Liberal	15	2.1	102	14.2	274	38.3	233	32.5	92	12.8	716	20.3
Very liberal	10	4.9	28	13.8	47	23.2	46	22.7	72	35.5	203	5.8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>1,207</b>	<b>34.3</b>	<b>1,340</b>	<b>38.0</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>15.3</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>3,523</b>	<b>100.0</b>

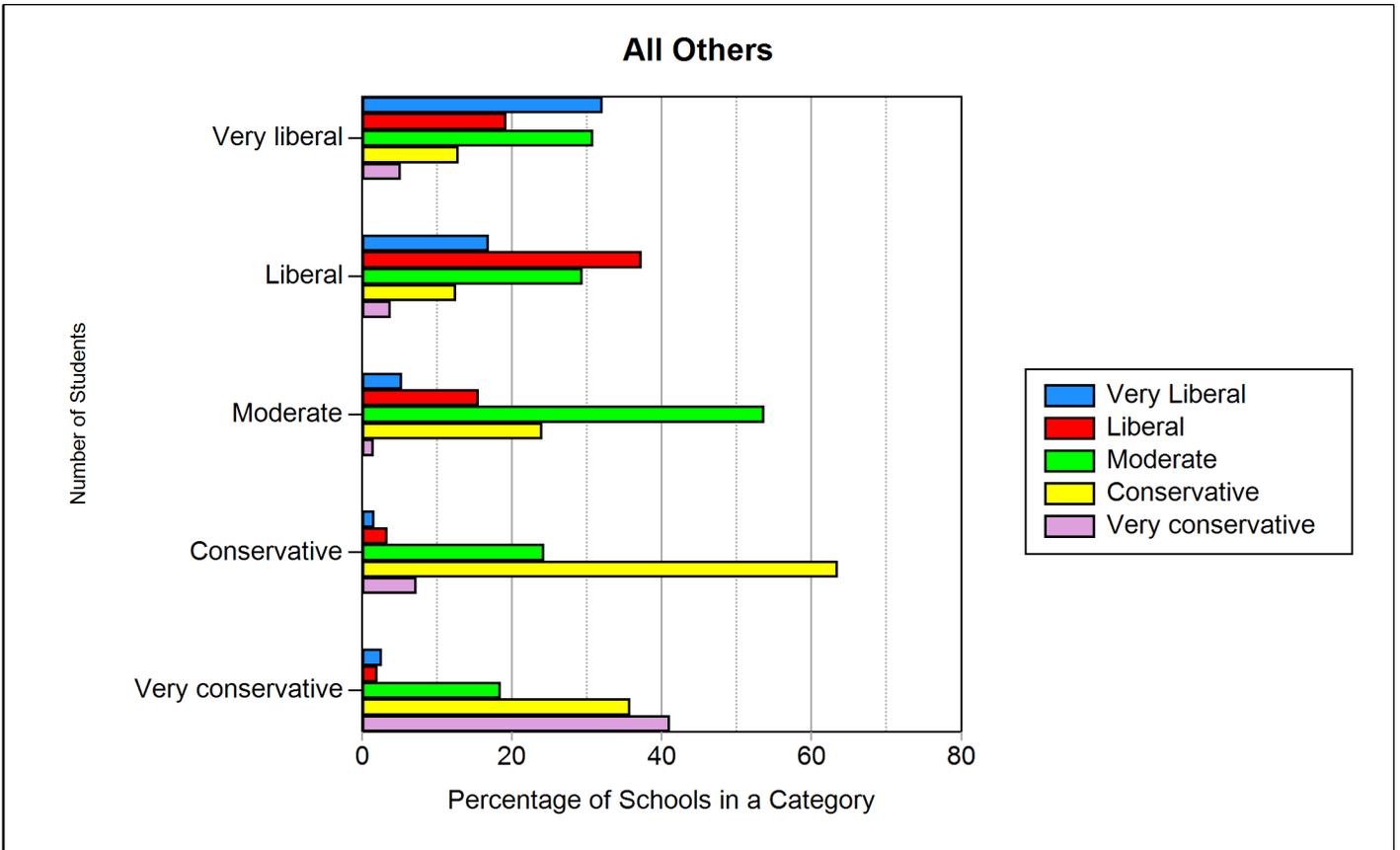
Prof MA	Personal											
	Very Conserv		Conserv		Moderate		Liberal		Very Liberal		TOTAL	
Institution	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Very conservative	13	23.6	26	47.3	13	23.6	3	5.5	0	0.0	55	7.5
Conservative	20	6.3	200	63.5	84	26.7	10	3.2	1	0.3	315	43.2
Moderate	4	1.4	73	25.8	172	60.8	27	9.5	7	2.5	283	38.8
Liberal	0	0.0	9	16.1	21	37.5	21	37.5	5	8.9	56	7.7
Very liberal	1	5.0	1	5.0	4	20.0	8	40.0	6	30.0	20	2.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>42.4</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>40.3</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>100.0</b>

All Others	Personal											
	Very Conserv		Conserv		Moderate		Liberal		Very Liberal		TOTAL	
Institution	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Very conservative	62	41.1	54	35.8	28	18.5	3	2.0	4	2.6	151	7.2
Conservative	53	7.2	465	63.5	178	24.3	24	3.3	12	1.6	732	35.1
Moderate	12	1.5	187	24.0	419	53.7	121	15.5	41	5.3	780	37.4
Liberal	13	3.8	43	12.5	101	29.4	128	37.3	58	16.9	343	16.5
Very liberal	4	5.1	10	12.8	24	30.8	15	19.2	25	32.1	78	3.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>759</b>	<b>36.4</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>36.0</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>2,084</b>	<b>100.0</b>

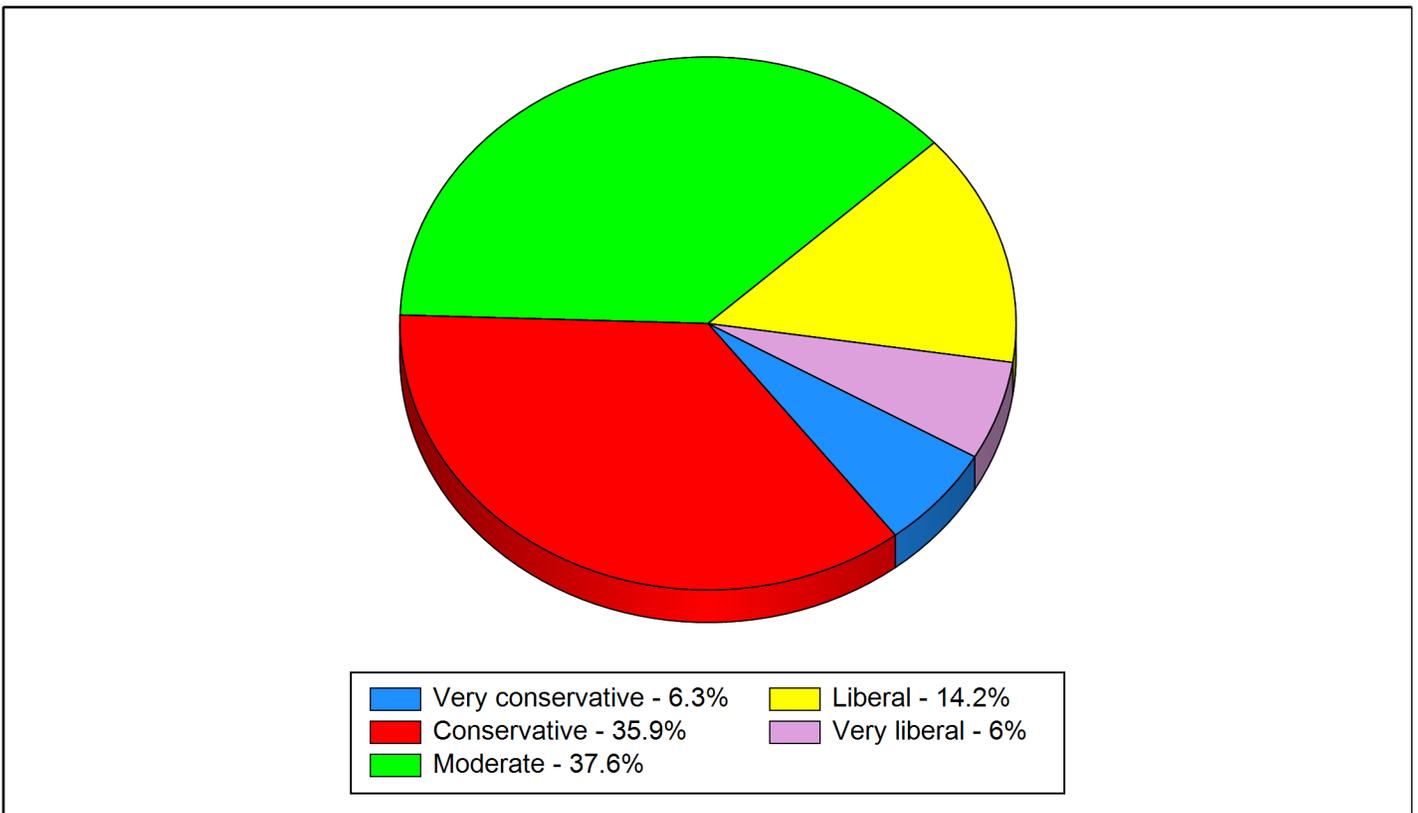
# CHART 17A: Personal and Perceived Theological Positions



**CHART 17A: Personal and Perceived Theological Positions (continued)**



**CHART 17B: Relative Description of Personal Theological Positions**



**TABLE 18: How Student Learned about School**

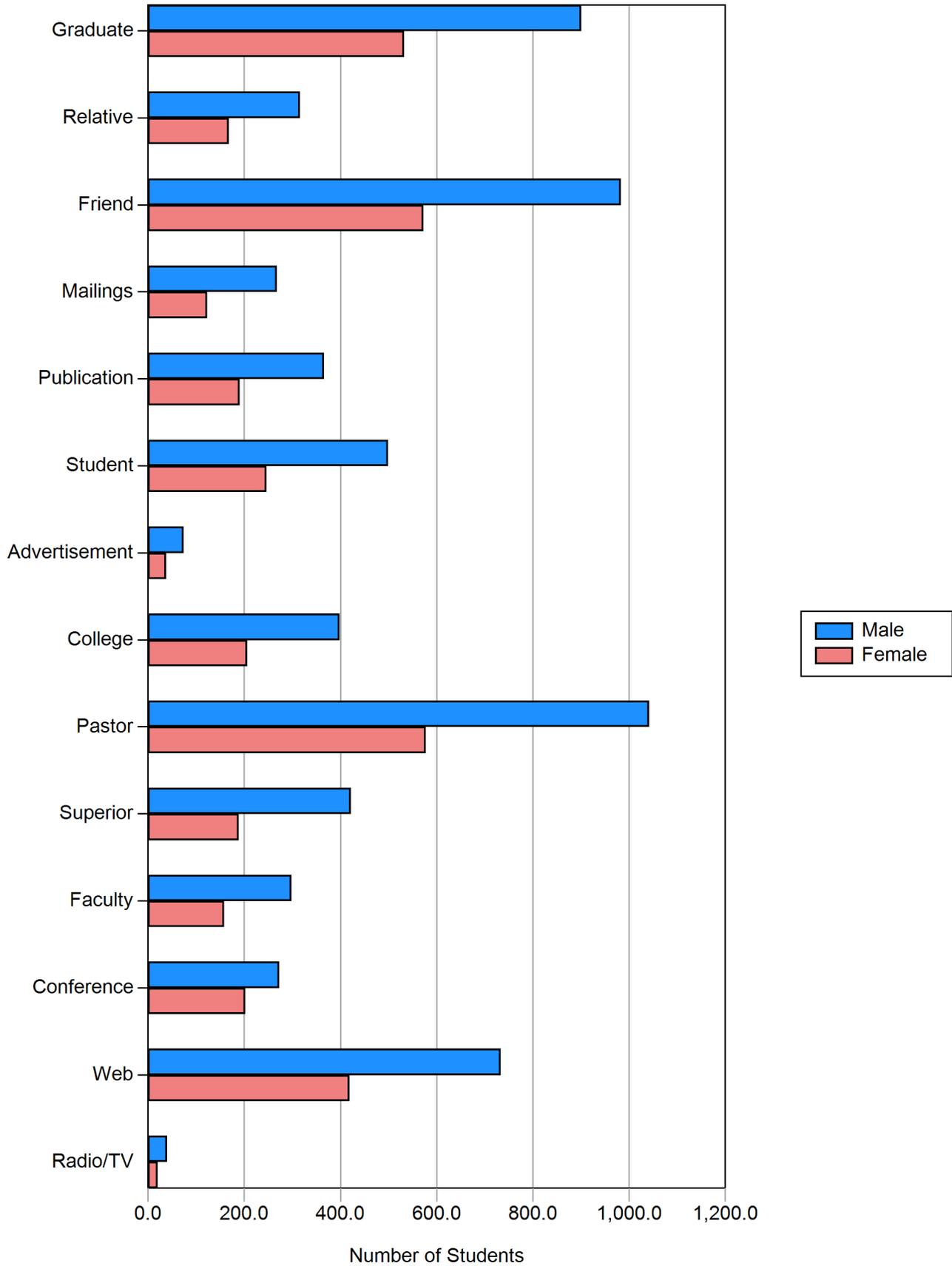
ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All

All Schools

Source	MDiv				Prof MA				All Others				* Total N = 6,233	
	Male N = 2,184		Female N = 1,273		Male N = 262		Female N = 450		Male N = 1,096		Female N = 968			
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Graduate	900	13.6	532	14.6	95	14.5	184	16.7	358	13.1	336	14.2	2,405	14.1
Relative	315	4.8	167	4.6	31	4.7	65	5.9	102	3.7	116	4.9	796	4.7
Friend	982	14.9	572	15.7	118	18.1	197	17.9	442	16.2	428	18.1	2,739	16.0
Mailings	267	4.0	122	3.4	24	3.7	39	3.5	64	2.3	82	3.5	598	3.5
Theological school publications	365	5.5	190	5.2	31	4.7	40	3.6	153	5.6	112	4.7	891	5.2
Current student	498	7.5	246	6.8	45	6.9	90	8.2	183	6.7	179	7.6	1,241	7.3
Newspaper or magazine ad	73	1.1	37	1.0	8	1.2	17	1.5	63	2.3	39	1.6	237	1.4
College advisor or other college contact	398	6.0	206	5.7	40	6.1	62	5.6	180	6.6	137	5.8	1,023	6.0
Pastor	1,041	15.8	577	15.9	70	10.7	121	11.0	304	11.1	262	11.1	2,375	13.9
Religious superior	421	6.4	188	5.2	26	4.0	35	3.2	194	7.1	106	4.5	970	5.7
Knowing particular faculty member(s)	298	4.5	158	4.3	46	7.0	63	5.7	189	6.9	155	6.5	909	5.3
Conference or church event	272	4.1	202	5.6	33	5.1	53	4.8	107	3.9	123	5.2	790	4.6
Web site	732	11.1	418	11.5	79	12.1	123	11.2	371	13.6	282	11.9	2,005	11.7
Radio/TV commercial	39	0.6	20	0.6	7	1.1	11	1.0	18	0.7	13	0.5	108	0.6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,601</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>3,635</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>653</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,728</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,370</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>17,087</b>	<b>100.0</b>

\* Total number of responses

**CHART 18: How Student Learned about School by Gender (MDiv)**



## TABLE 19: First Contact, Importance of School Visit, and Student Housing

ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All

All Schools

First Contact with School		
	#	%
Wrote to the school	365	5.8
Telephoned the school	1,093	17.2
Visited the school	1,448	22.8
Returned a post card	58	0.9
Recruiter visited my college/church to provide information	379	6.0
Theological school initiated contact with me	184	2.9
Email/Internet	2,818	44.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,345</b>	<b>100.0</b>

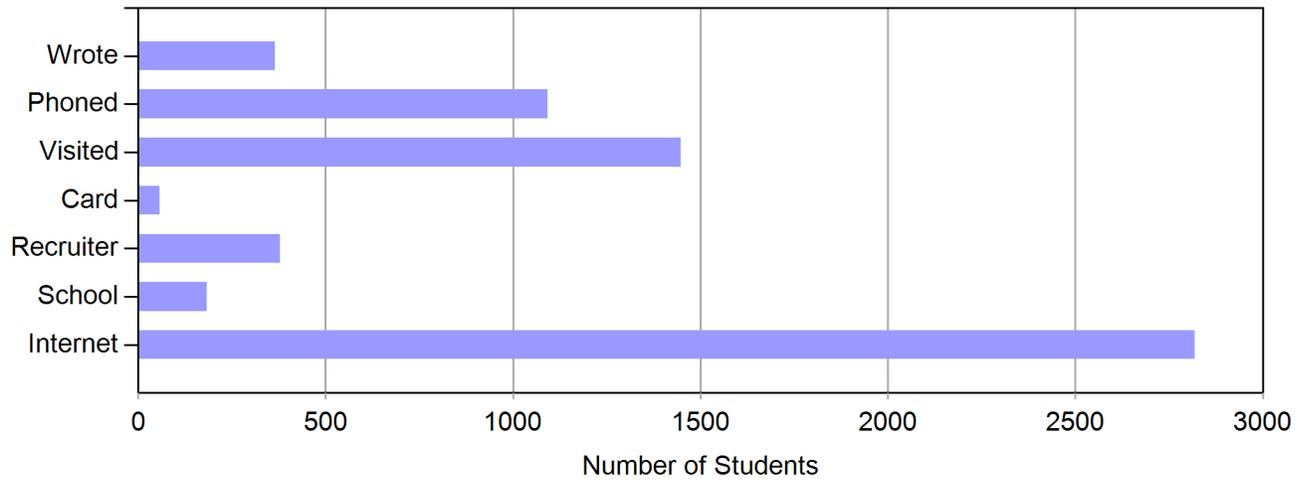
Importance of School Visit		
	#	%
Unimportant	103	7.3
Slightly important	114	8.1
Somewhat important	177	12.6
Important	436	31.0
Very important	578	41.1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,408</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Use of Student Housing		
	#	%
Yes	1,553	24.2
Yes, as a commuter only	197	3.1
No	4,674	72.8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,424</b>	<b>100.0</b>

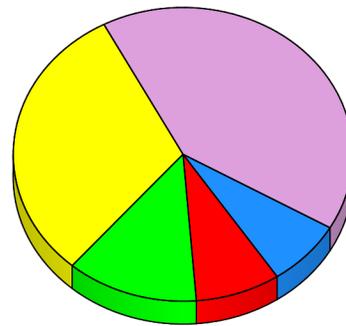
Importance of the Availability of Housing to Decision		
	#	%
Unimportant	163	9.3
Slightly important	158	9.0
Somewhat important	276	15.8
Important	470	26.9
Very important	683	39.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,750</b>	<b>100.0</b>

# CHART 19: First Contact, Importance of School Visit, and Student Housing

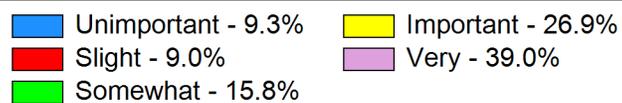
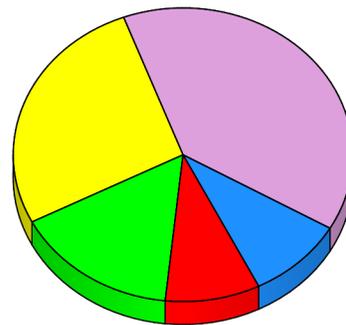
## First Contact with School



## Importance of School Visit



## Importance of Housing to Decision



**TABLE 20: Importance of Factors in Decision to Attend Institution**

ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All

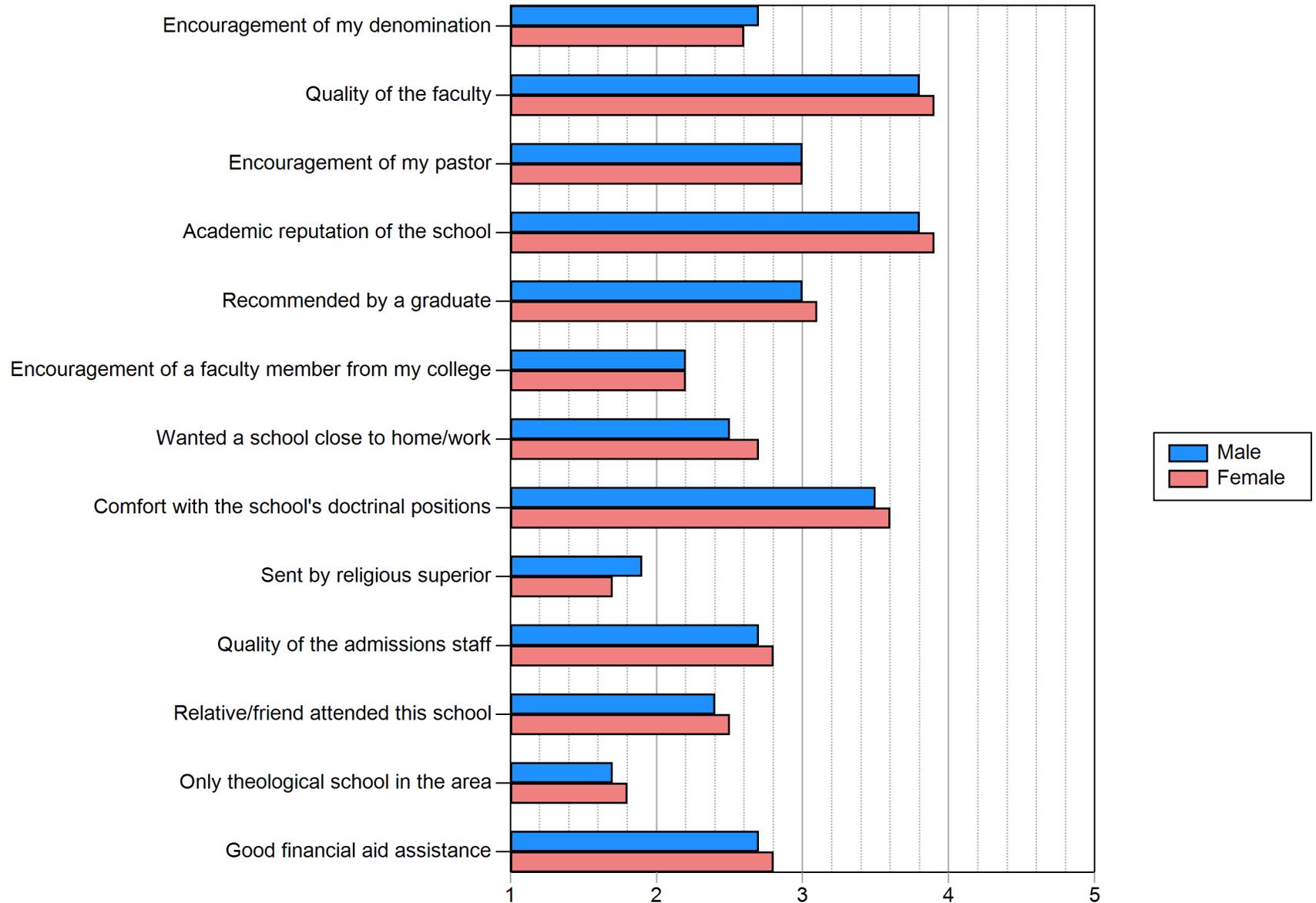
All Schools

Source of Influence	Male N = 3,583		Female N = 2,755	
	Avg	Std Dev	Avg	Std Dev
Encouragement of my denomination	2.7	1.4	2.6	1.4
Quality of the faculty	3.8	1.2	3.9	1.1
Encouragement of my pastor	3.0	1.4	3.0	1.4
Academic reputation of the school	3.8	1.2	3.9	1.1
Recommended by a graduate	3.0	1.5	3.1	1.5
Encouragement of a faculty member from my college	2.2	1.5	2.2	1.5
Wanted a school close to home/work	2.5	1.6	2.7	1.6
Comfort with the school's doctrinal positions	3.5	1.3	3.6	1.2
Sent by religious superior	1.9	1.3	1.7	1.2
Quality of the admissions staff	2.7	1.4	2.8	1.4
Relative/friend attended this school	2.4	1.5	2.5	1.5
Only theological school in the area	1.7	1.2	1.8	1.2
Good financial aid assistance	2.7	1.6	2.8	1.6

1 - No importance	2 - Little importance	3 - Somewhat important	4 - Important	5 - Very important
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**CHART 20: Importance of Factors in Decision to Attend Institution**

(1 - No importance 2 - Little importance 3 - Somewhat important 4 - Important 5 - Very important)



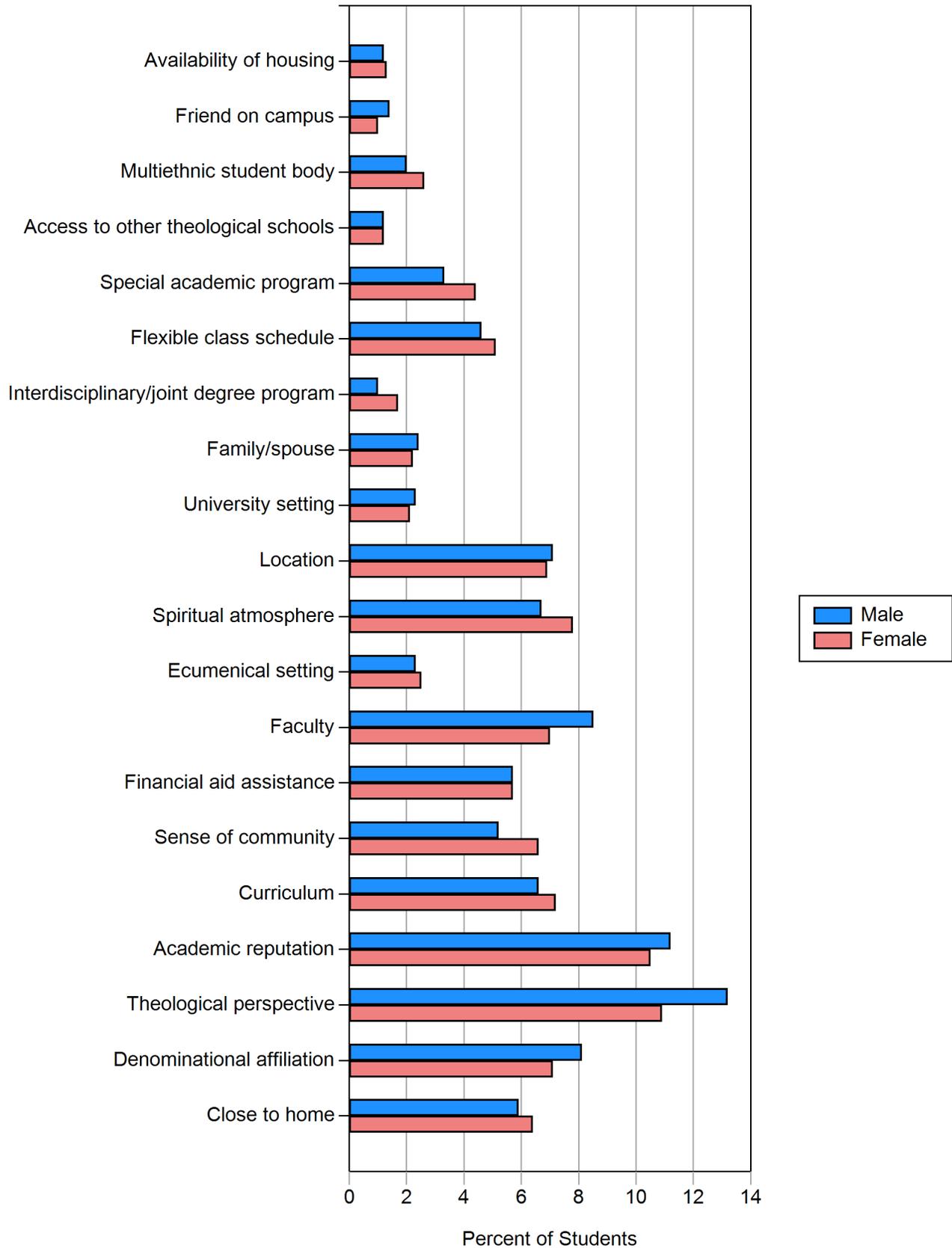
**TABLE 21: Top Reasons for Choosing a Particular Institution**

ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All

All Schools

Top Reasons for Choice	Male		Female		Total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Close to home	1,023	5.9	858	6.4	1,881	6.1
Denominational affiliation	1,413	8.1	948	7.1	2,361	7.7
Theological perspective	2,287	13.2	1,456	10.9	3,743	12.2
Academic reputation	1,942	11.2	1,403	10.5	3,345	10.9
Curriculum	1,147	6.6	966	7.2	2,113	6.9
Sense of community	897	5.2	882	6.6	1,779	5.8
Financial aid assistance	997	5.7	760	5.7	1,757	5.7
Faculty	1,471	8.5	934	7.0	2,405	7.8
Ecumenical setting	405	2.3	338	2.5	743	2.4
Spiritual atmosphere	1,164	6.7	1,044	7.8	2,208	7.2
Location	1,226	7.1	921	6.9	2,147	7.0
University setting	404	2.3	275	2.1	679	2.2
Family/spouse	418	2.4	293	2.2	711	2.3
Interdisciplinary/joint degree program	181	1.0	227	1.7	408	1.3
Flexible class schedule	808	4.6	679	5.1	1,487	4.8
Special academic program	581	3.3	586	4.4	1,167	3.8
Access to other theological schools	213	1.2	166	1.2	379	1.2
Multiethnic student body	351	2.0	355	2.6	706	2.3
Friend on campus	248	1.4	137	1.0	385	1.3
Availability of housing	203	1.2	171	1.3	374	1.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17,379</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>13,399</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>30,778</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**CHART 21: Top Reasons for Choosing a Particular Institution**



**TABLE 22: Expectation for Full-time Position after Graduation**

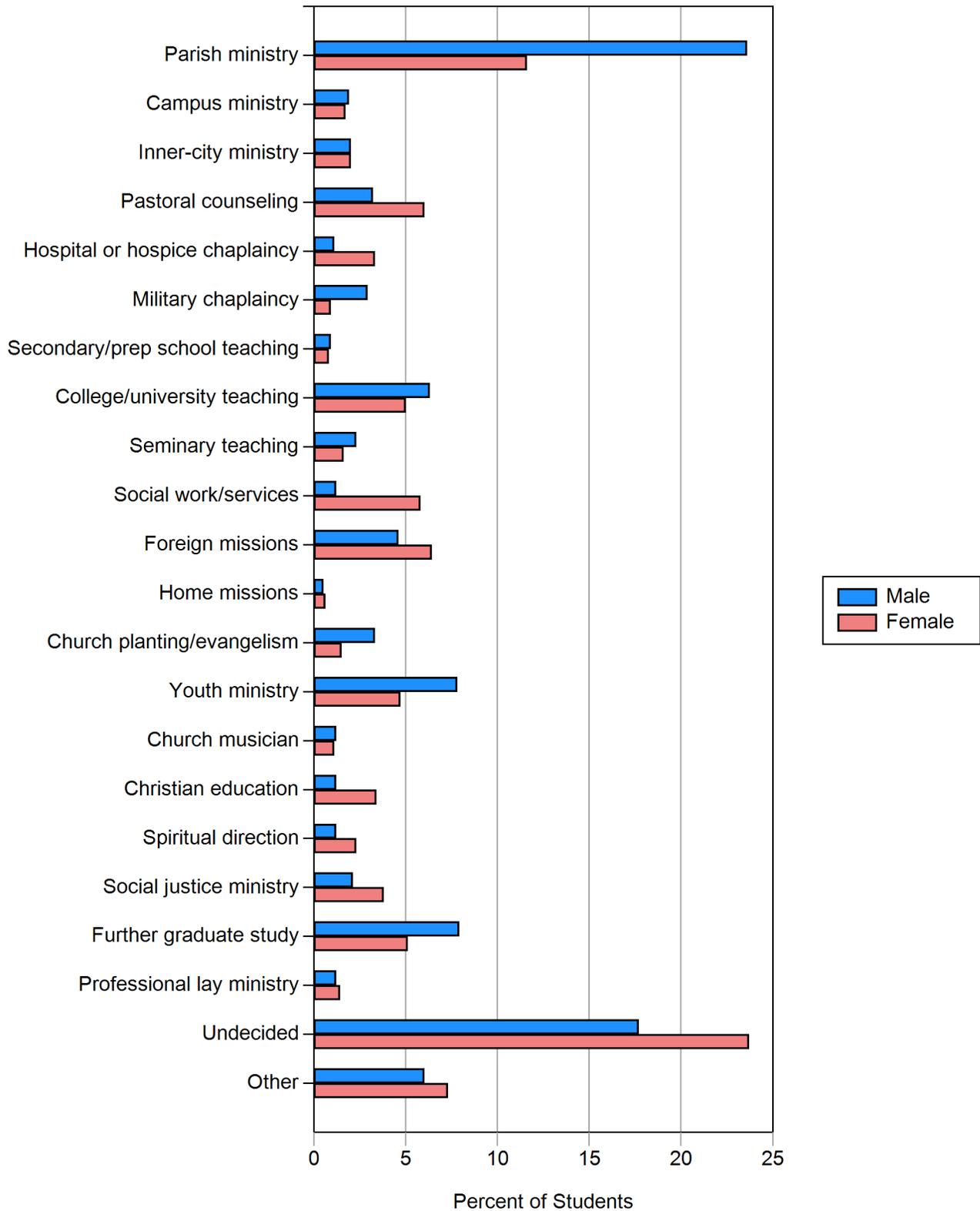
ENTERING STUDENTS, BATCH=All, YEAR=2008 - 2009, TERM=All

All Schools

Expectation	Single				Married				Total	
	Male		Female		Male		Female			
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Parish ministry	368	23.6	181	11.6	570	28.4	209	18.1	1,328	21.1
Campus ministry	29	1.9	26	1.7	37	1.8	12	1.0	104	1.7
Inner-city ministry	31	2.0	32	2.0	37	1.8	12	1.0	112	1.8
Pastoral counseling	50	3.2	94	6.0	75	3.7	87	7.5	306	4.9
Hospital or hospice chaplaincy	17	1.1	52	3.3	36	1.8	59	5.1	164	2.6
Military chaplaincy	45	2.9	14	0.9	63	3.1	2	0.2	124	2.0
Secondary/prep school teaching	14	0.9	12	0.8	12	0.6	9	0.8	47	0.7
College/university teaching	98	6.3	79	5.0	114	5.7	44	3.8	335	5.3
Seminary teaching	36	2.3	25	1.6	56	2.8	25	2.2	142	2.3
Social work/services	19	1.2	91	5.8	21	1.0	48	4.2	179	2.8
Foreign missions	72	4.6	101	6.4	90	4.5	34	2.9	297	4.7
Home missions	8	0.5	9	0.6	6	0.3	4	0.3	27	0.4
Church planting/evangelism	52	3.3	23	1.5	97	4.8	17	1.5	189	3.0
Youth ministry	121	7.8	73	4.7	113	5.6	19	1.6	326	5.2
Church musician	19	1.2	17	1.1	15	0.7	9	0.8	60	1.0
Christian education	19	1.2	54	3.4	57	2.8	56	4.8	186	3.0
Spiritual direction	18	1.2	36	2.3	12	0.6	29	2.5	95	1.5
Social justice ministry	32	2.1	59	3.8	21	1.0	26	2.2	138	2.2
Further graduate study	123	7.9	80	5.1	101	5.0	43	3.7	347	5.5
Professional lay ministry	18	1.2	22	1.4	31	1.5	36	3.1	107	1.7
Undecided	275	17.7	371	23.7	340	17.0	295	25.5	1,281	20.4
Other	93	6.0	115	7.3	100	5.0	81	7.0	389	6.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,557</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,566</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,004</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,156</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>6,283</b>	<b>100.0</b>

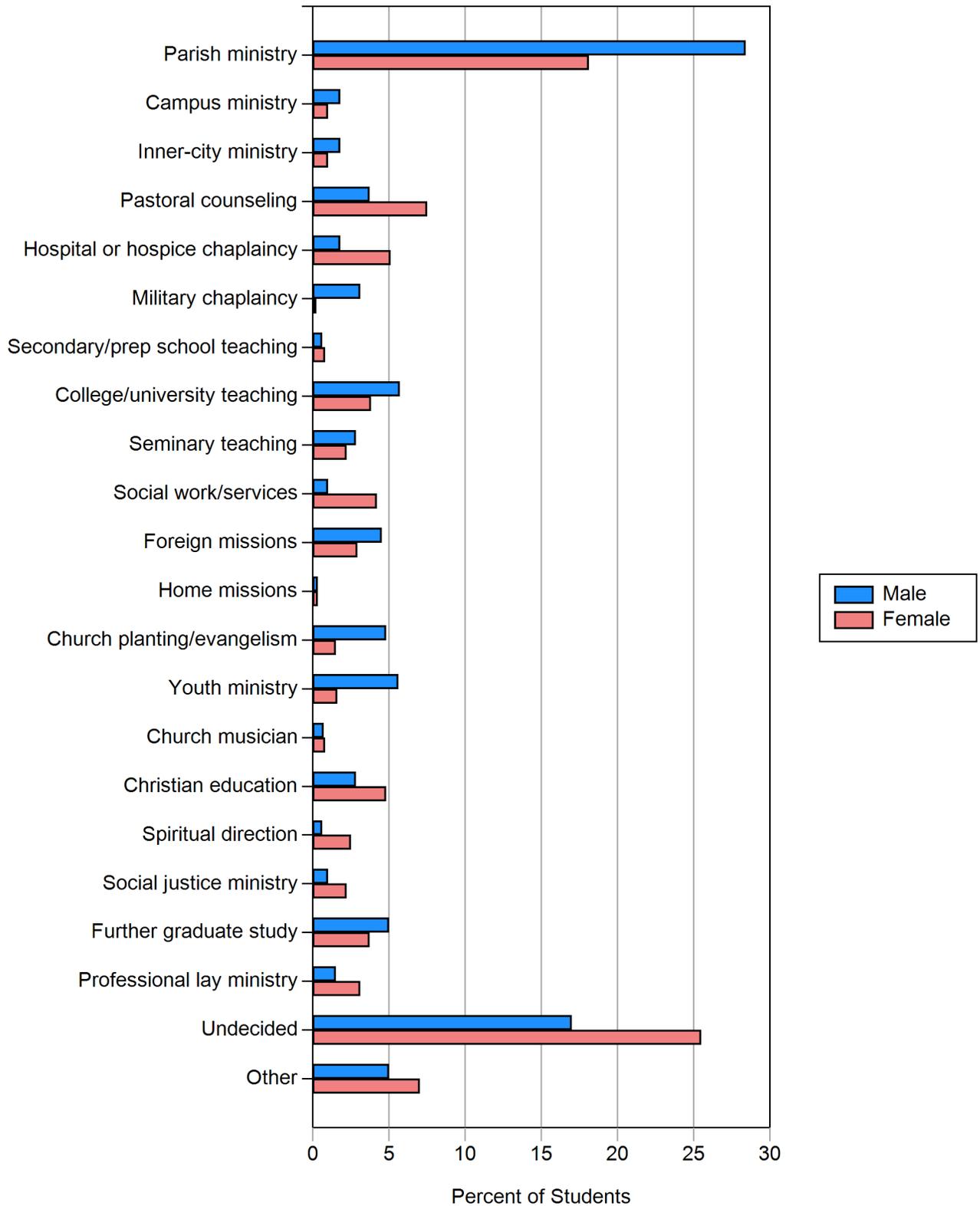
**CHART 22A: Expectation for Full-time Position after Graduation**

**Single**



**CHART 22B: Expectation for Full-time Position after Graduation**

**Married**



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