

Community College Survey of Student Engagement - College of the Desert (2016 Administration)
2016 Frequency Distributions - Student Financial Health (6-20)

Comparison Group: Large Colleges*

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			Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
6. I am receiving or have received a Pell Grant at this college during the current academic year.	COLLQ4898	Yes	248	50.0	5,615	31.6	34,758	39.2
		No	247	50.0	12,130	68.4	53,857	60.8
		Total	495	100.0	17,745	100.0	88,615	100.0
7. I always find myself living paycheck-to-paycheck.	COLLQ4899	Strongly agree	172	34.6	4,707	26.1	25,364	28.1
		Agree	111	22.4	4,745	26.3	23,652	26.2
		Disagree	113	22.7	4,085	22.7	19,635	21.8
		Strongly disagree	31	6.2	1,949	10.8	8,973	10.0
		I am not currently employed	69	14.0	2,523	14.0	12,554	13.9
		Total	497	100.0	18,009	100.0	90,178	100.0
8. I have too much student loan debt right now.	COLLQ4900	Strongly agree	40	8.1	1,674	9.3	10,109	11.2
		Agree	34	6.8	2,049	11.4	11,757	13.1
		Disagree	56	11.2	2,832	15.7	15,114	16.8
		Strongly disagree	21	4.2	1,316	7.3	6,134	6.8
		I do not have student loan debt	347	69.7	10,119	56.2	46,919	52.1
		Total	498	100.0	17,991	100.0	90,033	100.0
9. I have too much other debt right now, such as credit card debt, car loan debt, or money owed to family or friends.	COLLQ4901	Strongly agree	67	13.4	2,117	11.8	11,009	12.3
		Agree	112	22.6	3,464	19.4	17,043	19.0
		Disagree	89	17.9	3,329	18.6	17,538	19.6
		Strongly disagree	38	7.6	1,883	10.5	9,524	10.6
		I do not have any other debt	191	38.4	7,104	39.7	34,374	38.4
		Total	497	100.0	17,897	100.0	89,488	100.0

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10. This college has provided me with adequate information about financial assistance (scholarships, grants, loans, etc.).	COLLQ4902	Strongly agree	106	21.6	3,547	19.9	20,795	23.3
		Agree	245	49.9	7,495	42.1	38,177	42.8
		Disagree	78	15.8	3,261	18.3	14,939	16.8
		Strongly disagree	29	5.9	1,570	8.8	6,934	7.8
		I have not needed any information about financial assistance	33	6.7	1,940	10.9	8,324	9.3
		Total	491	100.0	17,813	100.0	89,169	100.0
11. One reason I have stayed enrolled this academic term is to continue receiving my financial aid.	COLLQ4903	Strongly agree	20	4.0	1,024	5.8	5,816	6.5
		Agree	54	11.0	2,059	11.6	12,060	13.6
		Disagree	136	27.7	4,081	23.0	22,100	24.8
		Strongly disagree	142	29.0	3,813	21.5	20,121	22.6
		I do not receive financial aid	139	28.2	6,794	38.2	28,892	32.5
		Total	491	100.0	17,772	100.0	88,989	100.0
12. I have the skills and knowledge to manage my finances well.	COLLQ4904	Strongly agree	104	21.1	4,106	23.1	21,826	24.5
		Agree	272	55.4	9,490	53.4	47,806	53.7
		Disagree	80	16.3	2,488	14.0	11,771	13.2
		Strongly disagree	16	3.2	544	3.1	2,548	2.9
		I do not manage my own finances	20	4.0	1,154	6.5	5,063	5.7
		Total	492	100.0	17,782	100.0	89,013	100.0
13. I always pay my bills on time.	COLLQ4905	Strongly agree	195	39.7	7,438	41.9	36,174	40.7
		Agree	192	39.1	6,001	33.8	31,168	35.0
		Disagree	42	8.6	1,459	8.2	7,868	8.8
		Strongly disagree	6	1.3	257	1.4	1,383	1.6
		I am not responsible for paying my bills	56	11.4	2,607	14.7	12,356	13.9
		Total	492	100.0	17,761	100.0	88,949	100.0

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14. I am satisfied with my present financial situation.	COLLQ4906	Strongly agree	45	9.1	1,991	11.2	10,413	11.7
		Agree	95	19.4	3,668	20.7	18,482	20.8
		Neutral	178	36.1	6,267	35.3	31,329	35.3
		Disagree	95	19.4	3,711	20.9	18,120	20.4
		Strongly disagree	79	16.1	2,117	11.9	10,473	11.8
		Total	492	100.0	17,753	100.0	88,818	100.0
15. Which option best describes how often you budget your money (how you keep track of how much money you make, how much you spend, and how much you save)?	COLLQ4907	Never, but I should	58	11.9	2,380	13.4	12,269	13.8
		Weekly	223	45.3	7,688	43.3	38,935	43.9
		Every two weeks	107	21.8	3,734	21.0	17,904	20.2
		Monthly	78	15.9	2,518	14.2	12,988	14.6
		I do not need to budget my money	25	5.1	1,418	8.0	6,615	7.5
		Total	492	100.0	17,737	100.0	88,712	100.0
16. When you budget for your future living expenses, which of these time frames is most important to you?	COLLQ4908	The next week	76	15.5	2,823	16.0	14,238	16.1
		The next couple of weeks	133	27.3	4,362	24.7	22,397	25.3
		The next few months	144	29.4	4,285	24.2	21,938	24.8
		The next year or longer	67	13.7	3,500	19.8	16,900	19.1
		I do not budget for my future living expenses	68	14.0	2,712	15.3	13,036	14.7
		Total	488	100.0	17,681	100.0	88,510	100.0
17. In the past 12 months, how many times have you run out of money and had to rely on outside resources (such as loans, friends/family, charitable organizations, etc.)?	COLLQ4909	None	215	43.9	9,391	53.2	46,081	52.1
		1-2 times	135	27.6	4,440	25.2	22,214	25.1
		3-5 times	88	18.0	2,204	12.5	11,409	12.9
		6-11 times	24	4.9	782	4.4	4,152	4.7
		12 or more times	27	5.6	835	4.7	4,575	5.2
		Total	490	100.0	17,652	100.0	88,431	100.0

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18. I am confident that I could come up with the following amount (from cash, credit, family/friends, etc.) if an unexpected need arose within the next month:	COLLQ4910	\$0	109	22.4	3,062	17.4	16,240	18.4
		\$500	197	40.4	6,805	38.7	34,665	39.4
		\$1,000	76	15.6	3,240	18.4	15,412	17.5
		\$2,000	28	5.8	1,134	6.4	5,532	6.3
		More than \$2,000	77	15.8	3,348	19.0	16,240	18.4
		Total	487	100.0	17,589	100.0	88,090	100.0
19. How well are you keeping up with your bills and/or credit payments at the moment?	COLLQ4911	I am keeping up with no difficulties	175	35.5	6,748	38.2	32,651	36.9
		It is a struggle from time to time	192	39.0	5,820	33.0	30,018	33.9
		It is a constant struggle	40	8.2	1,378	7.8	7,571	8.6
		I am falling behind with bills and/or credit payments	12	2.4	391	2.2	2,208	2.5
		I have no bills and/or credit payments	74	15.0	3,319	18.8	16,002	18.1
		Total	494	100.0	17,657	100.0	88,450	100.0
20. If your work hours have changed during the past academic year, what has been the main reason for the change?	COLLQ4912	To accommodate changes in my course requirements	155	31.8	5,802	32.9	30,090	34.0
		To make more money to pay my expenses	73	14.8	3,200	18.1	15,130	17.1
		My employer changed my work schedule	67	13.8	2,138	12.1	9,884	11.2
		My work schedule has not changed	90	18.4	3,004	17.0	14,675	16.6
		I have not worked in the past academic year	104	21.2	3,504	19.9	18,634	21.1
		Total	488	100.0	17,648	100.0	88,413	100.0

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Colleges in the Comparison Group

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Institution	State
Anne Arundel Community College	MD
Brookdale Community College	NJ
Butler Community College	KS
Calhoun Community College	AL
College of Southern Idaho	ID
College of Southern Maryland	MD
Cosumnes River College	CA
Cuesta College	CA
Cuyahoga Community College - Western Campus	OH
Eastern Iowa Community Colleges	IA
Eastfield College	TX
Golden West College	CA
Howard Community College	MD
Irvine Valley College	CA
Kalamazoo Valley Community College	MI
Laredo Community College	TX
Los Medanos College	CA
McLennan Community College	TX
Mt. Hood Community College	OR
North Lake College	TX
Polk State College	FL
Reedley College	CA
San Bernardino Valley College	CA
State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota	FL
Tyler Junior College	TX
Ventura College	CA
Waubonsee Community College	IL