

## Your First Year College (YFCY) 2016 Infographic Codebook

Approximately 50% of respondents said that, if given the choice, they would still choose to enroll at their current college, while 34% were undecided. The items below provide us with a look into the first-year experience for college students.

Infographic Item	Survey Question/Variable Name	Response Option(s) selected
<b>First-Year Students are Worried About Safety on Campus</b>		
24% felt unsafe on campus	Since entering this college, how often have you felt: Unsafe on this campus [AFFACT03]	Frequently & Occasionally
25% believe sexual violence is prevalent on their campus	Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements: Sexual violence is prevalent on this campus [COLOPN06]	Strongly Agree & Agree
23% are not aware of their college's sexual harassment/assault reporting policy	Since entering this college have you: Been made aware of your college's sexual harassment/assault reporting policy [COLACT27]	No
<b>WHILE COLLEGES TOOK STEPS TO EASE STUDENTS' TRANSITION TO COLLEGE,</b>		
30% participated in a common book or summer reading program	Since entering this college have you: Participated in a common book or summer reading program in which all students read and discuss the material [COLACT08]	Yes
51% took a course or first-year seminar designed to help students adjust to college life	Since entering this college have you: Taken a course or first-year seminar designed to: help students adjust to college life [COLACT11]	Yes
54% were satisfied with first-year programs	Please rate your satisfaction with your college in each area: First-year programs [SATIS17]	Very Satisfied & Satisfied
63% were satisfied with orientation for new students	Please rate your satisfaction with your college in each area: Orientation for new students [SATIS15]	Very Satisfied & Satisfied
<b>MANY STUDENTS STILL HAD DIFFICULTY ADJUSTING.</b>		
47% found it difficult to manage their time effectively	Since entering this college, how has it been to: Manage your time effectively [EASY4]	Very Difficult & Difficult
36% found it difficult to develop	Since entering this college, how has it been to: Develop effective study	Very Difficult & Difficult

effective study skills	skills [EASY2]	
47% frequently felt overwhelmed by all they had to do	Indicate which activities you did during the past year: Felt overwhelmed by all you had to do [ACT07]	Frequently
57% felt isolated from campus life	Since entering this college, how often have you felt: Isolated from campus life [AFFACT02]	Frequently & Occasionally
71% felt lonely or homesick	Since entering this college, how often have you felt: Lonely or homesick [AFFACT01]	Frequently & Occasionally
<b>WHILE SOME STUDENTS MAINTAINED CONTACT WITH THEIR FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES BACK HOME...</b>		
36% interacted with their parents/guardians on a daily basis	Since entering this college, how often have you interacted with the following people (e.g., by phone, e-mail, text, or in person): Your parents/guardians [INTACT7]	Daily
24% interacted with their siblings or extended family on a daily basis	Since entering this college, how often have you interacted with the following people (e.g., by phone, e-mail, text, or in person): Your siblings or extended family [INTACT8]	Daily
20% frequently went home for the weekend	Since entering this college, indicate how often have you: Went home for the weekend [CLSACT13]	Frequently
29% contributed money to help support their family	Since entering this college, how often have you: Contributed money to help support my family [ACT10]	Frequently & Occasionally
34% felt their family responsibilities interfered with schoolwork	Since entering this college, how often have you felt: That your family responsibilities interfered with your schoolwork [AFFACT07]	Frequently & Occasionally
<b>MOST FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS ESTABLISHED CONNECTIONS AT THEIR NEW SCHOOL.</b>		
86% felt that faculty empowered them to learn	Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements: Faculty empower me to learn here [COLOPN09]	Strongly Agree & Agree
85% agreed that at least one staff member had taken an interest in	Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the	Strongly Agree & Agree

their development	following statements: At least one staff member has taken an interest in my development [COLOPN11]	
72% found it easy to develop close friendships with other students	Since entering this college, how has it been to: Develop close friendships with other students [EASY5]	Very Easy & Easy
75% interacted with close friends at their institution on a daily basis	Since entering this college, how often have you interacted with the following people (e.g., by phone, e-mail, text, or in person): Close friends at this institution [INTACT5]	Daily
73% received advice/counseling from another student	Since entering this college, indicate how often have you: Received advice/counseling from another student [CLSACT14]	Frequently & Occasionally
66% are satisfied with the overall sense of community among students	Please rate your satisfaction with your college in each area: Overall sense of community among students [CMPSAT14]	Very Satisfied & Satisfied

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NOTE: Only first-time, full-time students are represented in the infographic (NORMSTAT= 1)