

C.I.R.P. TRENDS REPORT
Blank Valley College

All Freshmen	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986
Reasons noted as very important in deciding to go to college																
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I could not find a job	---	---	---	---	---	17.1	15.0	11.7	15.4	14.4	---	---	---	---	---	---
My parents wanted me to go	47.4	---	---	---	---	51.8	60.0	48.9	53.0	52.8	---	---	---	---	---	---
There was nothing better to do	5.2	---	---	---	---	5.2	6.9	4.1	7.9	4.5	---	---	---	---	---	---
To be able to get a better job	96.0	---	---	---	---	83.4	83.1	88.0	87.5	85.6	---	---	---	---	---	---
To be able to make more money	78.8	---	---	---	---	77.4	77.3	72.4	74.4	78.9	---	---	---	---	---	---
To gain a general education and appreciation of ideas	74.9	---	---	---	---	76.2	82.1	78.9	81.7	82.7	---	---	---	---	---	---
To improve my reading and study skills	56.9	---	---	---	---	60.8	63.8	60.5	62.4	70.8	---	---	---	---	---	---
To learn more about things that interest me	73.8	---	---	---	---	73.3	81.1	74.5	76.1	84.6	---	---	---	---	---	---
To make me a more cultured person	56.0	---	---	---	---	50.2	52.1	45.9	47.9	60.4	---	---	---	---	---	---
To prepare for graduate or professional school	60.8	---	---	---	---	62.7	65.7	56.1	66.0	68.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
Wanted to get away from home	---	---	---	---	---	8.2	8.8	5.2	5.2	7.5	---	---	---	---	---	---
Reasons noted as very important in influencing student's decision to attend this particular college																
A college rep. recruited me	---	---	---	---	14.4	13.2	11.2	9.9	12.8	17.2	---	---	---	---	---	---
A friend suggested attending	---	---	---	---	10.8	8.8	10.7	8.9	3.4	9.5	---	---	---	---	---	---
I wanted to go to a school about the size of this college	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
I wanted to live at home	7.8	8.6	6.8	---	6.1	8.9	5.7	3.7	6.7	3.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
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I was attracted by the religious affiliation/orientation of the college	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
I was offered financial assistance	---	37.5	36.4	---	44.0	26.7	32.2	29.3	26.7	34.4	---	---	---	---	---	---
My guidance counselor advised me	8.6	9.0	10.0	---	12.7	9.7	9.4	6.9	6.2	10.8	---	---	---	---	---	---
High school guidance counselor advised me	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Private college counselor advised me	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
My relatives wanted me to come here	16.8	[*]	[*]	---	15.3	18.8	17.5	9.8	12.1	13.2	---	---	---	---	---	---
My teacher advised me	---	---	10.3	---	11.4	9.6	6.5	5.7	5.7	8.1	---	---	---	---	---	---
Not accepted anywhere else	1.6	2.4	---	---	---	4.4	2.8	2.1	1.2	1.9	---	---	---	---	---	---
Not offered aid by first choice	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Rankings in national magazines	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Someone who had been here before advised me	19.3	22.5	25.1	---	24.1	19.8	18.5	14.9	17.5	21.2	---	---	---	---	---	---
The athletic dept. recruited me	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
This college's graduates gain admission to top graduate/professional schools	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
This college's graduates get good jobs	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
This college has a good reputation for its social activities	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
This college has low tuition	13.7	28.3	24.6	---	28.4	25.0	18.8	16.0	18.2	16.5	---	---	---	---	---	---
This college has a very good academic reputation	---	41.2	46.3	---	52.2	32.9	37.3	43.8	32.5	50.3	---	---	---	---	---	---
This college offers special educational programs	34.0	26.4	23.6	---	34.6	21.9	23.4	23.6	20.0	30.9	---	---	---	---	---	---
Prior to this term, have you ever taken courses for credit at this institution?																
No	---	93.5	93.5	---	97.0	93.8	94.9	93.1	95.3	95.4	---	---	---	---	---	---
Yes	---	6.5	6.5	---	3.0	6.3	5.1	6.9	4.7	4.6	---	---	---	---	---	---

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Wealthy people should pay a larger share of taxes than they do now	---	70.7	72.5	---	74.2	72.6	72.0	75.4	64.7	70.5	---	---	---	---	---	---
Women should receive the same salary and advancement as men in comparable positions	85.0	87.1	85.6	---	89.4	82.1	84.9	89.4	91.2	88.9	---	---	---	---	---	---
How would you characterize your political views?																
Far left	5.6	3.1	3.8	---	3.0	6.3	2.9	4.0	3.3	3.8	---	---	---	---	---	---
Liberal	33.6	36.8	37.0	---	26.8	25.4	26.6	30.8	28.5	22.8	---	---	---	---	---	---
Middle of the road	39.1	44.9	46.8	---	46.9	52.0	49.2	49.4	51.9	54.4	---	---	---	---	---	---
Conservative	18.3	13.1	11.7	---	20.3	13.8	19.5	14.1	12.6	16.3	---	---	---	---	---	---
Far right	3.4	2.2	0.7	---	3.0	2.5	1.9	1.7	3.7	2.7	---	---	---	---	---	---
Student grants school access to his/her Social Security Number/Student I.D.																
Yes	---	---	---	---	83.5	70.8	85.3	82.3	84.6	81.6	---	---	---	---	---	---
No	---	---	---	---	16.5	29.2	14.7	17.7	15.4	18.4	---	---	---	---	---	---
Do you have any concern about your ability to finance your college education?																
None (I am confident that I will have sufficient funds)	20.1	17.7	15.8	---	18.0	24.3	23.8	18.6	20.4	24.4	---	---	---	---	---	---
Some (but I probably will have enough funds)	54.3	46.0	37.1	---	44.9	43.1	42.6	46.9	53.8	50.6	---	---	---	---	---	---
Major (not sure I will have enough funds)	25.6	36.2	47.1	---	37.1	32.5	33.6	34.5	25.8	25.0	---	---	---	---	---	---

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Number of Respondents	0	0	682	723	685	690	771	610	712	564	616	0	0	701	0	0	518
How old will you be on December 31 of this year? [1]																	
16 or younger	---	---	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	---	---	0.0	---	---	0.0
17	---	---	2.2	2.4	1.8	2.5	2.1	2.6	1.6	1.4	1.3	---	---	1.0	---	---	0.8
18	---	---	67.7	67.1	68.6	66.8	68.6	68.5	70.1	68.9	71.5	---	---	66.3	---	---	71.2
19	---	---	25.0	24.3	24.1	25.1	24.5	22.7	24.5	25.5	22.0	---	---	29.2	---	---	24.7
20	---	---	3.5	3.7	3.9	3.5	3.0	3.8	2.3	2.3	4.7	---	---	2.7	---	---	1.9
21 or older	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
21 to 24	---	---	1.0	2.2	1.6	1.9	1.4	2.0	1.4	1.6	0.3	---	---	0.7	---	---	1.2
25 to 29	---	---	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.2	---	---	0.0	---	---	0.0
30 to 39	---	---	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	---	---	0.0	---	---	0.2
40 to 54	---	---	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	---	---	0.0	---	---	0.0
55 or older	---	---	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	---	---	0.0	---	---	0.0
Are you: (mark all that apply) [2,3]																	
White/Caucasian	---	---	0.9	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.7	1.2	2.0	2.9	3.8	---	---	2.7	---	---	2.5
African American/Black	---	---	97.8	98.2	98.4	98.3	98.2	98.8	97.6	97.0	95.1	---	---	97.5	---	---	96.5
American Indian	---	---	0.6	1.5	0.7	1.3	1.6	1.8	1.6	0.9	2.1	---	---	2.7	---	---	1.8
Asian American/Asian	---	---	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.7	---	---	0.4	---	---	0.2
Mexican American/Chicano	---	---	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.5	---	---	0.3	---	---	0.2
Puerto Rican American	---	---	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.7	---	---	0.3	---	---	0.2
Other Latino	---	---	---	---	---	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.2	---	---	0.0	---	---	0.2
Other	---	---	1.0	1.5	0.9	1.3	1.0	0.7	0.9	0.9	2.1	---	---	1.6	---	---	1.6
Is English your native language?																	
Yes	---	---	97.4	97.8	97.7	98.5	97.4	97.8	98.7	98.7	97.2	---	---	98.9	---	---	98.8
No	---	---	2.6	2.2	2.3	1.5	2.6	2.2	1.3	1.3	2.8	---	---	1.1	---	---	1.2
Are you presently married? [1]																	
No	---	---	---	---	---	---	99.2	---	---	---	---	---	---	99.8	---	---	---
Yes	---	---	---	---	---	---	0.8	---	---	---	---	---	---	0.2	---	---	---
Citizenship status [1]																	
Yes	---	---	98.4	98.9	99.4	97.8	98.9	98.0	99.1	99.1	97.5	---	---	99.5	---	---	99.0
No	---	---	1.6	1.1	0.6	2.2	1.1	2.0	0.9	0.9	2.5	---	---	0.5	---	---	1.0
Twin status																	
No	---	---	98.2	97.3	98.1	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Yes, identical	---	---	1.0	1.0	0.6	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Yes, fraternal	---	---	0.7	1.7	1.3	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Are you a veteran?																	
No	---	---	---	---	---	97.1	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Yes	---	---	---	---	---	2.9	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Do you have a disability? [3]																	
Hearing	---	---	---	---	0.3	0.6	---	1.0	---	0.2	---	---	---	0.4	---	---	---
Speech	---	---	---	---	0.7	1.0	---	0.3	---	0.4	---	---	---	0.6	---	---	---
Orthopedic	---	---	---	---	0.7	0.4	---	1.1	---	0.2	---	---	---	0.4	---	---	---
Learning disability	---	---	---	---	1.2	0.3	---	0.8	---	0.9	---	---	---	1.3	---	---	---
Health related	---	---	---	---	1.3	1.0	---	1.8	---	0.9	---	---	---	1.7	---	---	---
Partially sighted or blind	---	---	---	---	2.2	2.9	---	3.1	---	2.5	---	---	---	0.7	---	---	---
Other	---	---	---	---	1.5	1.2	---	1.1	---	1.6	---	---	---	1.7	---	---	---
Your religious preference [3,4]																	
Protestant (Christian)	---	---	87.0	87.7	86.3	82.4	83.2	87.0	87.1	87.4	86.2	---	---	89.0	---	---	86.0
Roman Catholic	---	---	3.7	3.7	4.4	3.0	2.9	4.3	3.1	3.9	3.6	---	---	1.9	---	---	3.3
Jewish	---	---	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	---	---	0.0	---	---	0.0
Other	---	---	6.4	6.0	5.2	9.7	8.3	4.4	6.4	4.3	6.7	---	---	4.0	---	---	5.1
None	---	---	2.8	2.6	4.1	4.9	5.5	4.3	3.4	4.4	3.6	---	---	5.1	---	---	5.7
Do you consider yourself a born-again Christian?																	
No	---	---	36.7	41.5	38.9	40.3	43.2	41.6	35.3	34.9	35.1	---	---	---	---	---	---
Yes	---	---	63.3	58.5	61.1	59.7	56.8	58.4	64.7	65.1	64.9	---	---	---	---	---	---

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A mentor/role model encouraged me to go	---	---	---	---	---	30.3	32.4	27.6	27.6	27.6	26.1	---	---	30.0	---	---	26.3
I could not find a job	---	---	13.3	14.2	12.7	12.4	15.5	13.9	11.5	10.4	14.1	---	---	7.7	---	---	11.1
My parents wanted me to go	---	---	56.3	58.8	53.4	56.6	49.1	54.5	52.0	55.4	51.0	---	---	56.5	---	---	54.9
There was nothing better to do	---	---	3.7	5.9	4.7	4.7	5.8	5.6	6.1	7.1	6.2	---	---	6.1	---	---	9.7
To be able to get a better job	---	---	83.8	88.4	86.9	85.3	89.3	85.2	84.9	79.2	81.3	---	---	75.8	---	---	84.7
To be able to make more money	---	---	84.1	89.6	86.9	86.5	87.9	88.3	87.4	84.0	85.8	---	---	80.9	---	---	88.1
To gain a general education and appreciation of ideas	---	---	73.4	79.2	73.4	74.7	77.6	67.8	78.5	73.3	72.7	---	---	73.3	---	---	72.3
To improve my reading and study skills	---	---	67.8	71.9	62.2	66.4	62.4	59.3	67.7	63.9	63.8	---	---	65.3	---	---	54.1
To learn more about things that interest me	---	---	76.1	78.0	78.9	78.3	79.5	75.4	83.2	79.2	81.0	---	---	77.5	---	---	78.0
To make me a more cultured person	---	---	51.6	61.4	53.2	56.2	63.4	53.3	60.0	52.4	50.7	---	---	50.2	---	---	42.6
To prepare for graduate or professional school	---	---	71.5	74.1	70.2	73.4	77.6	72.3	---	---	---	---	---	77.9	---	---	72.7
Wanted to get away from home	---	---	22.0	22.2	25.6	26.9	29.2	30.9	30.5	30.1	33.3	---	---	31.0	---	---	33.2
Reasons noted as very important in influencing student's decision to attend this particular college																	
A college rep. recruited me	---	---	7.9	6.2	6.0	7.4	9.9	10.7	14.6	13.0	10.7	---	---	---	---	---	---
A friend suggested attending	---	---	10.2	10.9	10.8	11.6	14.0	12.9	11.5	11.8	10.7	---	---	---	---	---	---
I wanted to go to a school about the size of this college	---	---	22.7	25.9	24.0	26.9	27.6	28.0	28.2	27.9	30.4	---	---	27.0	---	---	21.5
I wanted to live at home	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
I wanted to live near home	---	---	13.0	14.7	12.3	12.2	12.4	15.2	14.0	16.3	19.2	---	---	12.3	---	---	12.4
I was attracted by the religious affiliation/orientation of the college	---	---	5.2	7.6	6.2	4.4	9.6	3.5	7.1	6.3	8.1	---	---	9.3	---	---	4.9
I was offered financial assistance	---	---	37.0	38.7	41.7	40.0	46.1	42.8	49.6	52.4	49.5	---	---	49.4	---	---	43.2
My guidance counselor advised me	---	---	7.4	8.2	8.5	6.3	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
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Private college counselor advised me	---	---	---	---	---	---	1.6	2.3	5.4	4.3	2.9	---	---	6.3	---	---	2.4
My relatives wanted me to come here	---	---	14.4	17.5	13.5	13.5	12.6	13.6	18.3	16.6	14.3	---	---	19.7	---	---	16.0
My teacher advised me	---	---	4.5	8.0	4.9	5.9	4.3	7.0	7.7	6.3	6.0	---	---	7.8	---	---	5.9
Not accepted anywhere else	---	---	---	---	0.9	3.4	1.6	1.0	4.0	3.6	3.5	---	---	5.6	---	---	---
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Rankings in national magazines	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	4.4	5.4	7.2	---	---	6.9	---	---	3.3
Someone who had been here before advised me	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
The athletic dept. recruited me	---	---	5.8	7.8	4.0	6.9	5.5	8.3	10.3	11.2	7.8	---	---	---	---	---	---
This college's graduates gain admission to top graduate/professional schools	---	---	19.6	20.5	21.5	19.1	26.4	21.5	26.2	26.1	33.2	---	---	27.2	---	---	---
This college's graduates get good jobs	---	---	40.6	44.8	44.9	41.0	50.2	40.5	46.8	44.2	53.5	---	---	48.8	---	---	---
This college has a good reputation for its social activities	---	---	24.5	29.9	27.7	28.6	31.6	27.3	37.2	32.1	33.3	---	---	38.1	---	---	22.3
This college has low tuition	---	---	36.6	35.5	44.2	44.1	45.1	40.6	40.9	38.9	44.7	---	---	32.0	---	---	28.9
This college has a very good academic reputation	---	---	40.0	46.4	40.8	39.5	45.8	34.6	46.5	46.7	47.4	---	---	44.5	---	---	26.8
This college offers special educational programs	---	---	25.6	28.0	26.3	22.8	30.5	24.3	33.6	31.6	30.2	---	---	29.1	---	---	19.6
Prior to this term, have you ever taken courses for credit at this institution?																	
No	---	---	99.9	98.9	96.5	96.8	97.6	94.4	94.8	95.1	95.2	---	---	94.0	---	---	94.7
Yes	---	---	0.1	1.1	3.5	3.2	2.4	5.6	5.2	4.9	4.8	---	---	6.0	---	---	5.3

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Women should receive the same salary and advancement as men in comparable positions	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
How would you characterize your political views?																	
Far left	---	---	3.3	4.1	5.0	5.3	5.1	5.0	5.5	5.4	5.4	---	---	5.0	---	---	6.5
Liberal	---	---	27.1	28.6	27.5	26.0	27.4	26.6	21.9	24.2	29.6	---	---	23.9	---	---	24.2
Middle of the road	---	---	49.2	48.5	48.8	52.0	48.0	52.1	53.9	52.0	51.3	---	---	53.4	---	---	52.4
Conservative	---	---	18.3	17.6	17.7	15.5	17.6	14.9	15.8	16.9	11.9	---	---	15.4	---	---	15.4
Far right	---	---	2.1	1.1	0.9	1.4	1.9	1.4	2.9	1.5	1.8	---	---	2.3	---	---	1.5
Student grants school access to his/her Social Security Number/Student I.D.																	
Yes	---	---	91.7	90.6	96.6	87.1	69.2	69.6	63.7	70.6	58.6	---	---	49.2	---	---	62.4
No	---	---	8.3	9.4	3.4	12.9	30.8	30.4	36.3	29.4	41.4	---	---	50.8	---	---	37.6
Do you have any concern about your ability to finance your college education?																	
None (I am confident that I will have sufficient funds)	---	---	30.5	---	---	27.3	---	29.1	25.2	32.8	33.5	---	---	42.4	---	---	27.7
Some (but I probably will have enough funds)	---	---	52.5	---	---	52.3	---	49.6	49.9	49.0	48.9	---	---	44.8	---	---	48.4
Major (not sure I will have enough funds)	---	---	17.0	---	---	20.3	---	21.3	24.9	18.2	17.6	---	---	12.9	---	---	23.9