

Racial/Ethnic Minority Percentage of Enrollment

This page contains information about the racial/ethnic minority percentage of enrollment at Tennessee Tech in Fall 1996 through Fall 2008. Section A below contains total enrollment data for the University. Section B displays enrollment data for students from racial/ethnic minority groups, and Section C shows the corresponding minority percentages of total University enrollment. As shown in the bottom line of Section B, **the number of minority students increased from 508 to 781 across the first eight Fall terms and then decreased slightly in Fall 2004 and Fall 2005, before increasing to 799 in Fall 2006 and to 835 in Fall 2007. For Fall 2008, the number decreased to 786. The percentage of minority students at the University increased from 6.2% in Fall 1996 to 8.6% in Fall 2003 and then decreased slightly to 8.2% in Fall 2004 through Fall 2006, to 8.1% in Fall 2007, and to 7.3% in Fall 2008.***

Sections D and E display similar information for African American / Black students only. For the same period, **African American / Black student enrollment increased from 225 to 408, remained approximately the same at 409 in Fall 2004, and decreased slightly to 394 in Fall 2005, before increasing to 413 in Fall 2006 and then decreasing to 400 in Fall 2007 and to 369 in Fall 2008. The African American / Black student percentage of University enrollment increased from 2.8% to 4.5% and then decreased gradually to 3.9% in Fall 2007, before decreasing to 3.4% in Fall 2008.**

A. Enrollment

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Change from 2007 to 2008	
														N	%
First-Time Freshman	1,133	1,100	1,043	1,183	1,336	1,323	1,398	1,388	1,485	1,424	1,527	1,661	1,677	16	1.0%
Undergraduate Transfer	629	698	667	747	569	653	602	584	632	641	672	755	700	-55	-7.3%
Undergraduate	7,107	7,143	6,903	7,043	6,876	7,099	7,251	7,273	7,224	7,255	7,569	8,060	8,439	379	4.7%
Graduate	1,066	1,120	1,312	1,541	1,534	1,554	1,639	1,834	1,993	2,058	2,164	2,261	2,357	96	4.2%
All	8,173	8,263	8,215	8,584	8,410	8,653	8,890	9,107	9,217	9,313	9,733	10,321	10,796	475	4.6%

B. Racial/Ethnic Minority Enrollment *

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Change from 2007 to 2008	
														N	%
First-Time Freshman	74	77	78	83	113	107	139	97	85	103	130	121	142	21	17.4%
Undergraduate Transfer	36	44	33	41	37	39	34	35	31	32	50	52	34	-18	-34.6%
Undergraduate	382	404	399	417	443	492	532	516	476	487	548	583	565	-18	-3.1%
Graduate	126	140	169	186	174	205	203	266	283	275	251	252	221	-31	-12.3%
All	508	544	568	603	617	697	735	781	759	762	799	835	786	-49	-5.9%

C. Racial/Ethnic Minority Enrollment Percentage *

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Change from 2007 to 2008	
														N	%
First-Time Freshman	6.5	7.0	7.5	7.0	8.5	8.1	9.9	7.0	5.7	7.2	8.5	7.3	8.5	1.2	
Undergraduate Transfer	5.7	6.3	4.9	5.5	6.5	6.0	5.6	6.0	4.9	5.0	7.4	6.9	4.9	-2.0	
Undergraduate	5.4	5.7	5.8	5.9	6.4	6.9	7.3	7.1	6.6	6.7	7.2	7.2	6.7	-0.5	
Graduate	11.8	12.5	12.9	12.1	11.3	13.2	12.4	14.5	14.2	13.4	11.6	11.1	9.4	-1.8	
All	6.2	6.6	6.9	7.0	7.3	8.1	8.3	8.6	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.1	7.3	-0.8	

D. African American / Black Enrollment

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Change from 2007 to 2008	
														N	%
First-Time Freshman	55	54	53	61	83	65	100	61	63	60	67	55	71	16	29.1%
Undergraduate Transfer	12	20	16	14	12	19	20	15	9	15	22	16	18	2	12.5%
Undergraduate	203	215	231	239	261	281	317	303	287	284	312	298	279	-19	-6.4%
Graduate	22	19	21	24	21	52	69	105	122	110	101	102	90	-12	-11.8%
All	225	234	252	263	282	333	386	408	409	394	413	400	369	-31	-7.8%

E. African American / Black Percentage of Enrollment

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	<u>Change from 2007 to 2008</u>
First-Time Freshman	4.9	4.9	5.1	5.2	6.2	4.9	7.2	4.4	4.2	4.2	4.4	3.3	4.2	0.9
Undergraduate Transfer	1.9	2.9	2.4	1.9	2.1	2.9	3.3	2.6	1.4	2.3	3.3	2.1	2.6	0.5
Undergraduate	2.9	3.0	3.3	3.4	3.8	4.0	4.4	4.2	4.0	3.9	4.1	3.7	3.3	-0.4
Graduate	2.1	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.4	3.3	4.2	5.7	6.1	5.3	4.7	4.5	3.8	-0.7
All	2.8	2.8	3.1	3.1	3.4	3.8	4.3	4.5	4.4	4.2	4.2	3.9	3.4	-0.5

Additional information about race/ethnicity of students is available in the [racial/ethnic section](#) of Student Profiles in TECH TRENDS.

Note: The TTU definition of "first-time freshman" changed beginning in Fall 2000, increasing the enrollment total for new freshmen and decreasing the enrollment total for undergraduate transfer students. The previous definition, if used in Fall 2000, would have resulted in 1,124 new freshmen and 726 undergraduate transfer students.

* Minority enrollment is comprised of students from the following racial/ethnic categories: African American / Black, American Indian / Alaskan Native, Asian / Pacific Islander, and Hispanic.

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