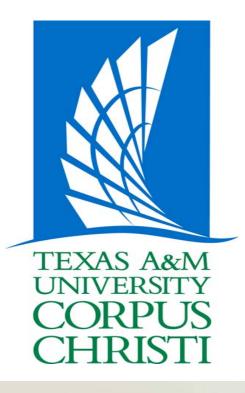




BCSSE 2010 Results







The Beginning College Survey of Student Engagement (**BCSSE**) collects data about first year college students' high school academic and co-curricular experiences, in addition to their expectations for the first year of college.

The 2010 BCSSE consisted of questions regarding student high school experiences, and anticipated college experiences, which are broken down into the following six scales:

- High School Academic Engagement
- Expected Academic Engagement
- Expected Academic Perseverance
- Expected Academic Difficulty
- Perceived Academic Preparation
- Importance of Campus Environment





What is BCSSE?

The BCSSE has been used in addition to the National Survey of Student Engagement since 2007 at 4 year colleges and institutions around the country. 2008 was the first year of administration of the BCSSE at TAMU-CC.

The BCSSE is designed to be paired with the NSSE administration at the end of the students' first year, so that comparisons can be made between expectations and actual experiences.





TAMU-CC BCSSE Administration

The BCSSE survey instrument was administered in first year seminar courses (UCCP) during the first week of the Fall 2010 semester (August 25^{th} – September 1^{st}). The surveys were given during UCCP class periods. 1,413 surveys were distributed, and 91% of the contacted students completed the survey (**n**= 1,284).

Results have been compiled for the BCSSE 2010 survey in power point format with frequency percentage scores for TAMU-CC all first year students collectively, as well as TAMU-CC 2008 scores and the most recent national BCSSE data for comparison.

If additional information is needed, please contact the Office of Planning and Institutional Effectiveness at extension 2242.



Findings:

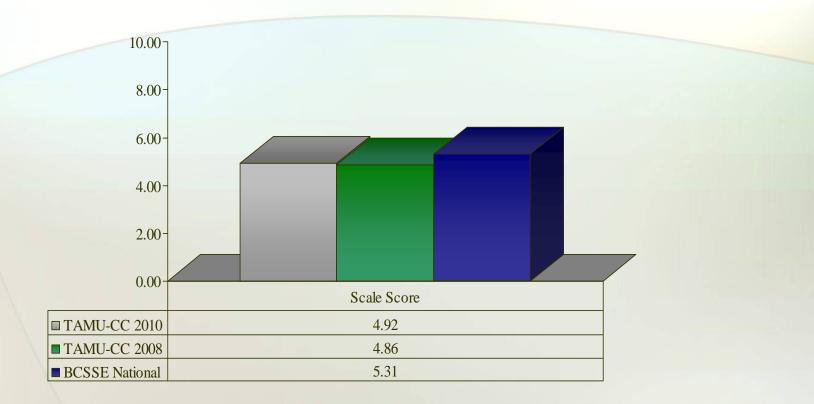
BCSSE Scales





BCSSE Scale: High School Academic Engagement

Engagement in educationally relevant behaviors during the last year of high school



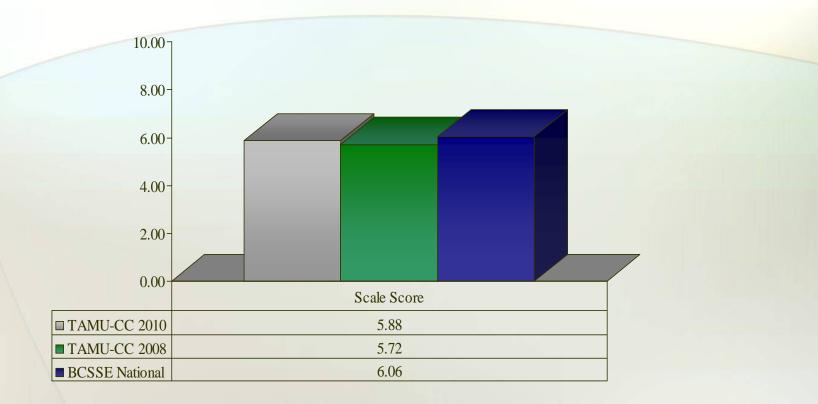
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BCSSE Scale: Expected Academic Engagement

Expected engagement in educationally relevant behaviors during the first year of college



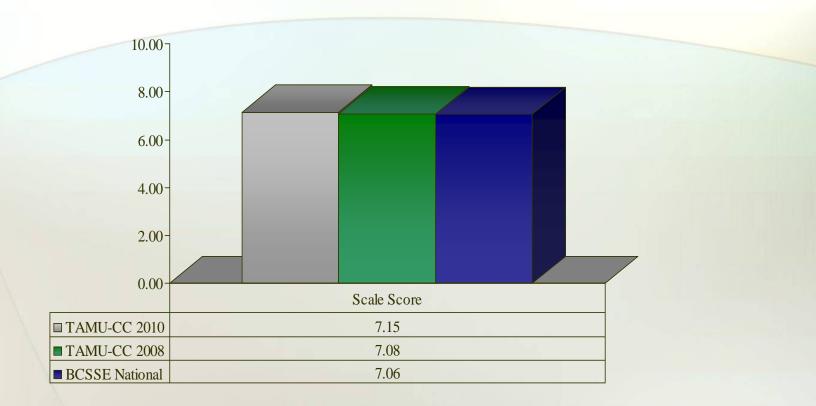
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BCSSE Scale: Expected Academic Perseverance

Student certainty that they will persist in the face of academic adversity



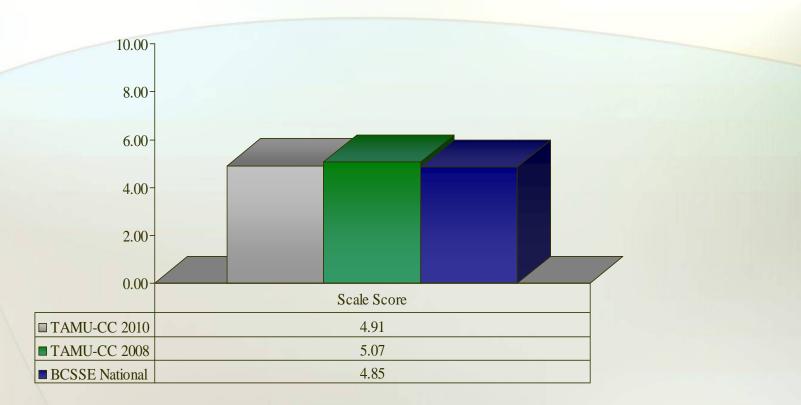
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BCSSE Scale: Expected Academic Difficulty

Expected academic difficulty during the first year of college



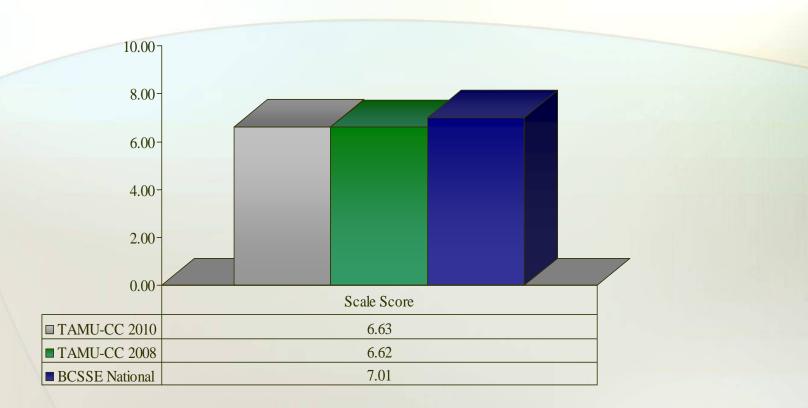
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BCSSE Scale: Perceived Academic Preparation

Student perception of their academic preparation



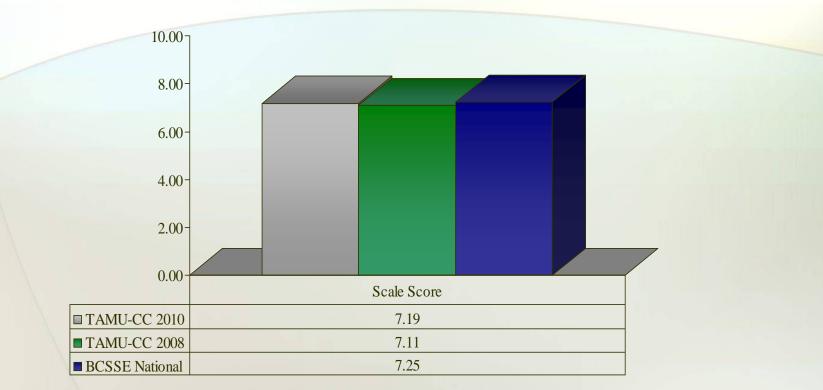
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BCSSE Scale: Importance of Campus Environment

Student-rated importance that the institution provides a challenging and supportive environment

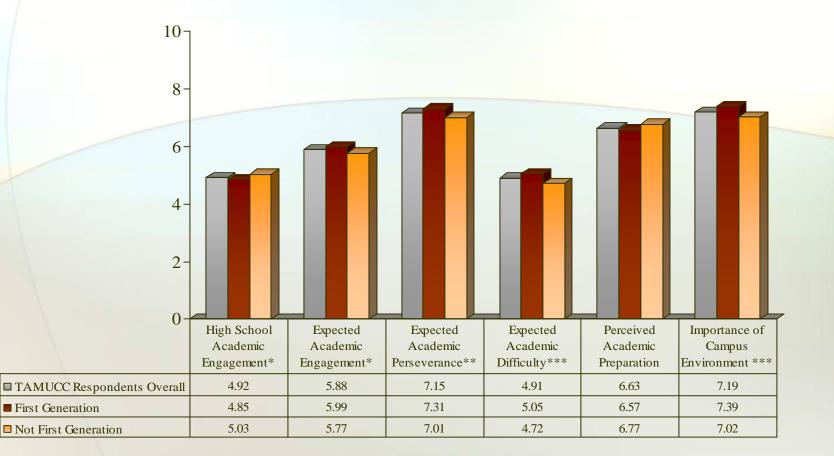


Scale Scores are expressed in 0 (minimum/low importance given to campus environment) to 10 (maximum/high importance given to campus environment) point scales.





BCSSE Scales: By First Generation Status



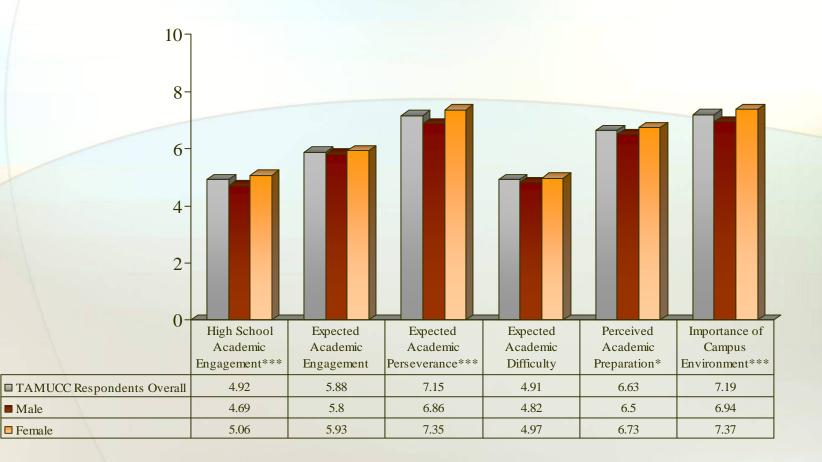
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Significance levels: * = p< .05: ** = p< .01: *** = p< .001





BCSSE Scales: By Gender



Scale Scores are expressed in 0 (minimum) to 10 (maximum) point scales.

Significance levels: * = p< .05: ** = p< .01: *** = p< .001



Key Findings





Respondent and Comparison Group Demographics

		TAMU-CC 2010 Survey Respondents	TAMU-CC 2008 Survey Respondents	BCSSE 2009 National Comparison Population
Gender	Male	41%	42%	41%
	Female	59%	58%	59%
Ethnicity	American Indian/Native American	1%	1%	1%
	Asian/Pacific Islander	5%	5%	5%
	Black/African American	6%	4%	9%
	White (non-Hispanic)	40%	42%	71%
	Mexican/Mexican American	19%	15%	3%
	Puerto Rican	1%	1%	1%
	Other Hispanic or Latino	20%	21%	3%
	Multiracial	4%	5%	3%
	Other	2%	1%	1%
	Prefer not to respond	2%	3%	3%
First Generation Status	First Generation	54%	52%	39%
	Not First Generation	46%	48%	61%
International or Foreign National	Yes	6%	6%	4%
	No	94%	94%	96%





TAMU-CC First Year Students: High School Experiences

- Incoming students report an average of B+ on the majority of their HS grades.
- 34% of respondents report that they took 3 or more AP classes in High School, 32% report taking more than 3 Honors courses in High School, and 45% took at least one college course for credit in High School.
- The most common high school co-curricular activity was athletic teams (42% highly involved), and the least common was student government (4% highly involved).



Finding: The majority of incoming first year students did not participate in math courses beyond Pre-Calculus/Trigonometry while in high school

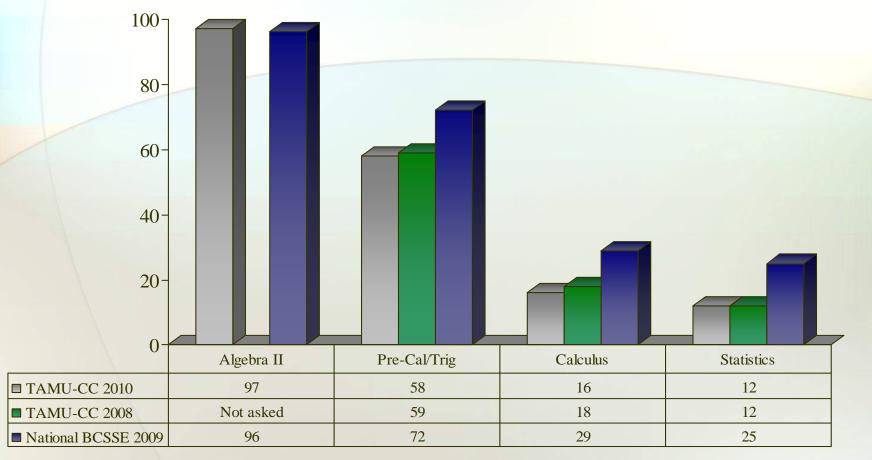


Table in total valid percentages (students who "Passed" courses)



Finding: The majority of incoming first year students took between 3 and 4 years of their core courses in high school

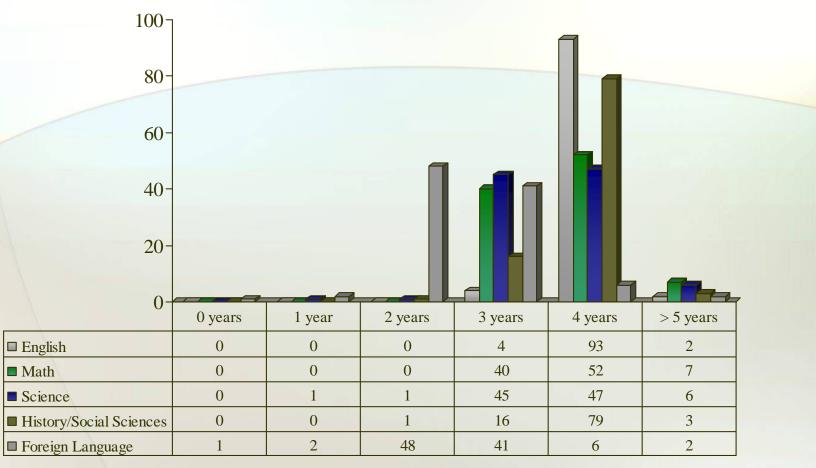


Table in total valid percentages



Finding: The majority of incoming first year students expect their college grades to be similar to the grades they received in high school.

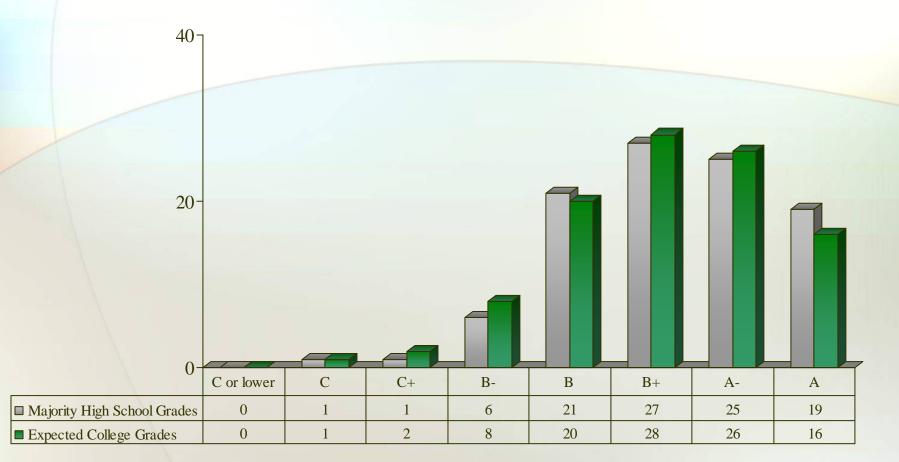


Table in total valid percentages; Paired samples T-test (p = <.05)



Finding: The majority of incoming first year students expect **to spend**, **on average**, **more time preparing for class** (per week) in college than in High School. Participants report a slightly higher expectation than TAMU-CC Freshmen and Seniors report actual behaviors on the NSSE.

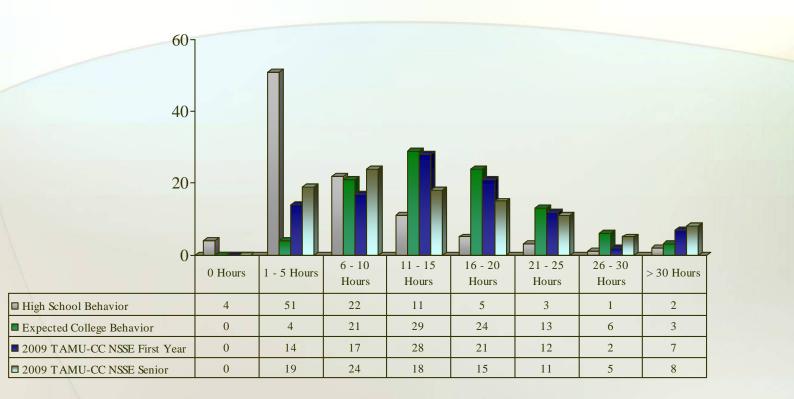


Table in total valid percentages: Mean High School Behavior = 2.85 (1-5 Hours): Mean Expected College Behavior = 4.52 (11-15 Hours): Paired samples T-test (p = <.001)

NSSE 2009 Freshmen = 4.35 (11-15 Hours); NSSE 2009 Seniors = 4.22 (11 – 15 Hours)



Finding: The majority of incoming first year students **expect to spend**, **on average**, **slightly less time working for pay** in their first year of college than in High School. Very few students expect to work full time (more than 30 hours per week), and this is fairly in line with what first year students reported on the TAMU-CC's most recent NSSE. However, also on the NSSE, **seniors report around 75% are employed** at least part time, with 26% working full time.

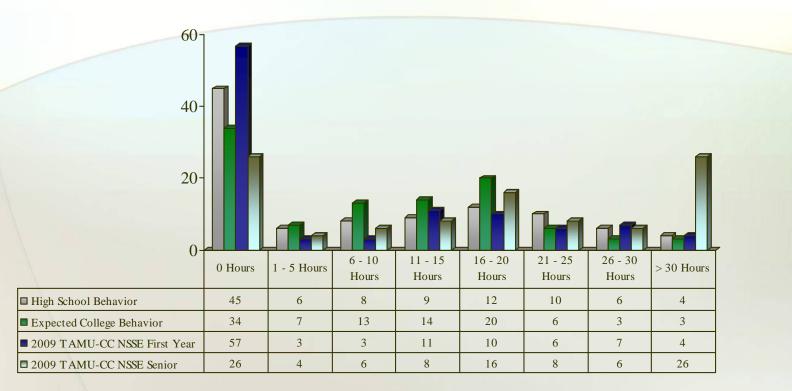
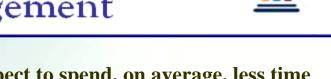


Table in total valid percentages: Mean High School Behavior = 4.13 (11-15 Hours): Mean Expected College Behavior = 2.95 (1-5 Hours)

NSSE 2009 Freshmen = 2.79 (1-5 Hours); NSSE 2009 Seniors = 4.66 (11 – 15 Hours)





Finding: The majority of incoming first year students **expect to spend, on average, less time** p**articipating in co-curricular activities weekly** (per week) in their first year of college than in High School. Approximately 84% of BCSSE participants expect to participate in co-curricular activities. However, results from the 2009 administration of the NSSE at TAMU-CC show that about half of freshmen and seniors do not participate in co-curricular activities.

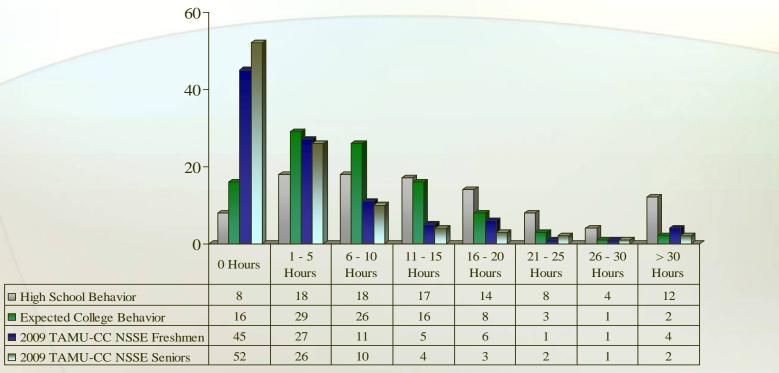


Table reported in valid percentages: Mean High School Behavior = 3.97 (6-10 hours): Mean Expected College Behavior = 2.74 (1-5 hours): Paired samples T-test (p = <.001)

NSSE 2009 Freshmen = 2.25 (1-5 Hours); NSSE 2009 Seniors = 1.95 (0 Hours)



Finding: The majority of incoming first year students **expect to spend**, **on average**, **less time relaxing and socializing** during their first year of college than in High School. The mean expected college behavior is fairly aligned with actual reported behavior from TAMU-CC freshmen and seniors on the NSSE.

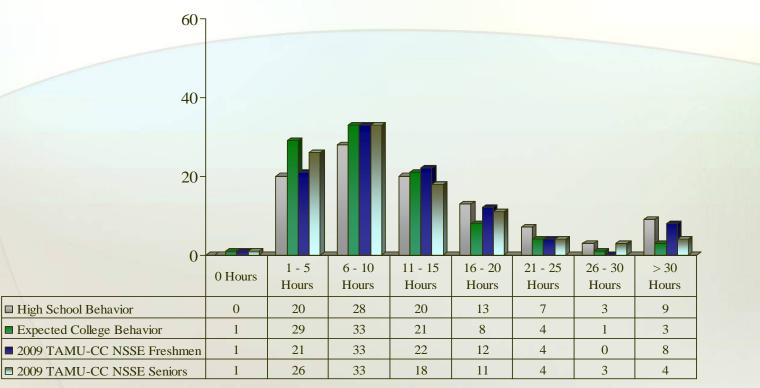


Table reported in valid percentages: Mean High School Behavior = 4.03 (11 - 15 hours): Mean Expected College Behavior = 3.39 (6 - 10 hours): (p = <.001) NSSE 2009 Freshmen = 3.73 (6-10 Hours); NSSE 2009 Seniors = 3.54 (6-10 Hours)





High School Academic Engagement[~] During last year of high school, about how much:

	None	Very Little	Some	Quite a Bit	Very Much
Assigned reading (textbooks/other items)	3%	14%	35%	32%	16%
Books read on own for personal enjoyment or enrichment	16%	27%	26%	15%	16%
Writing short papers/ reports (<5 pages)	1%	11%	26%	37%	25%
Writing longer papers/ reports (>5 pages)	16%	32%	25%	17%	9%

High School Academic Engagement[~] During last year of high school, about how often:

	Never	Sometimes	Often	Very Often
Come to class without completing readings or assignments	24%	64%	9%	3%





TAMU-CC First Year Students: College Expectations

- Students expect a B+ on the majority of their grades in the coming year. This is statistically significant with the grades that the student earned in high school (p<.05).
- 69% of incoming students state that they intend to graduate from TAMU-CC. 25% are uncertain, and 6% report that they do not intend to do so.
- Incoming first year students expect managing their time to present a difficulty (19% report that they expect it to be "Very difficult").
- Students do not foresee problems making friends (4% report that they expect it to be "Very difficult").
- 54% of students report that it is "Very Important" to them that the University provide support to help him/her succeed academically.
- 66% of incoming students have at least one close friend attending TAMU-CC this year, with 26% reporting four or more close friends attending.



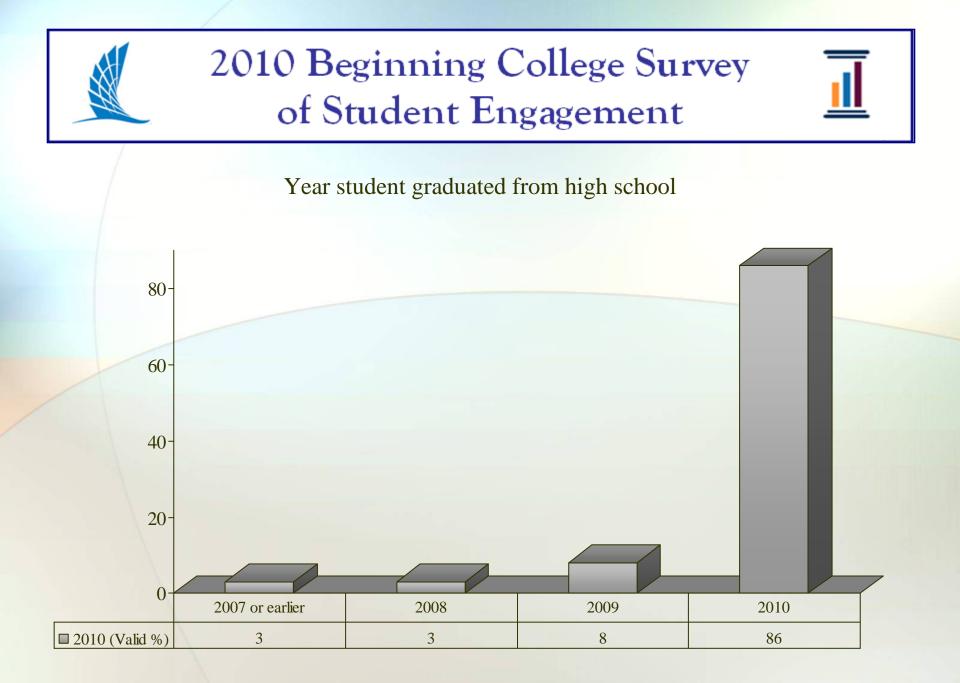
Results, by Scale





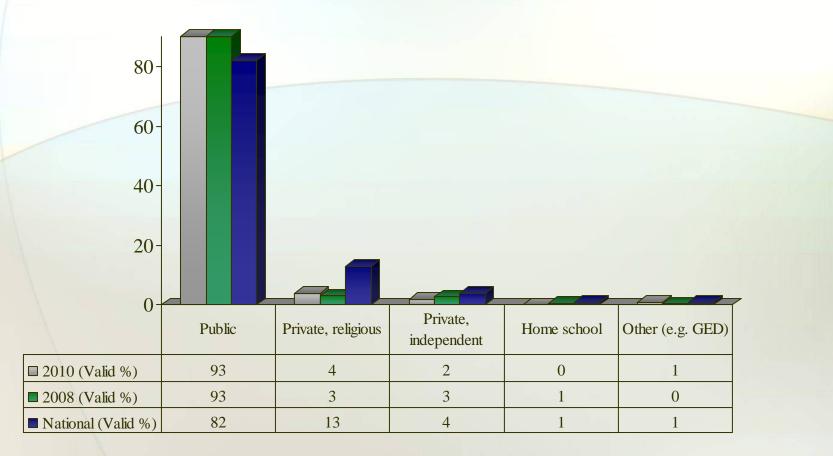


High School Academic Engagement





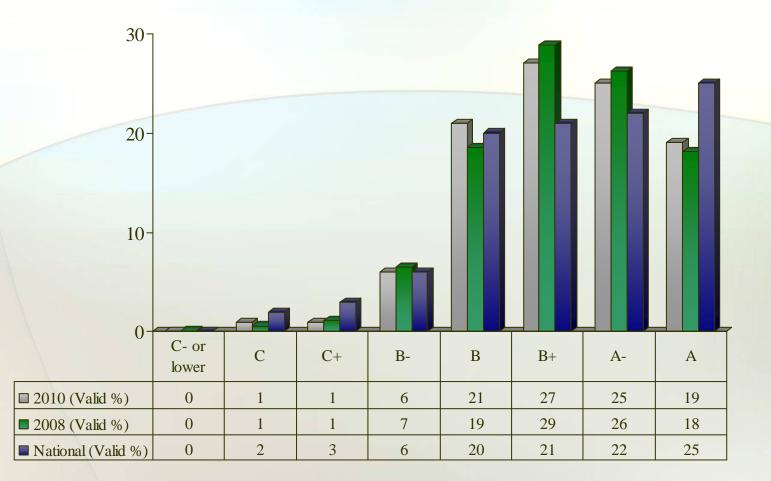
Type of high school student graduated from

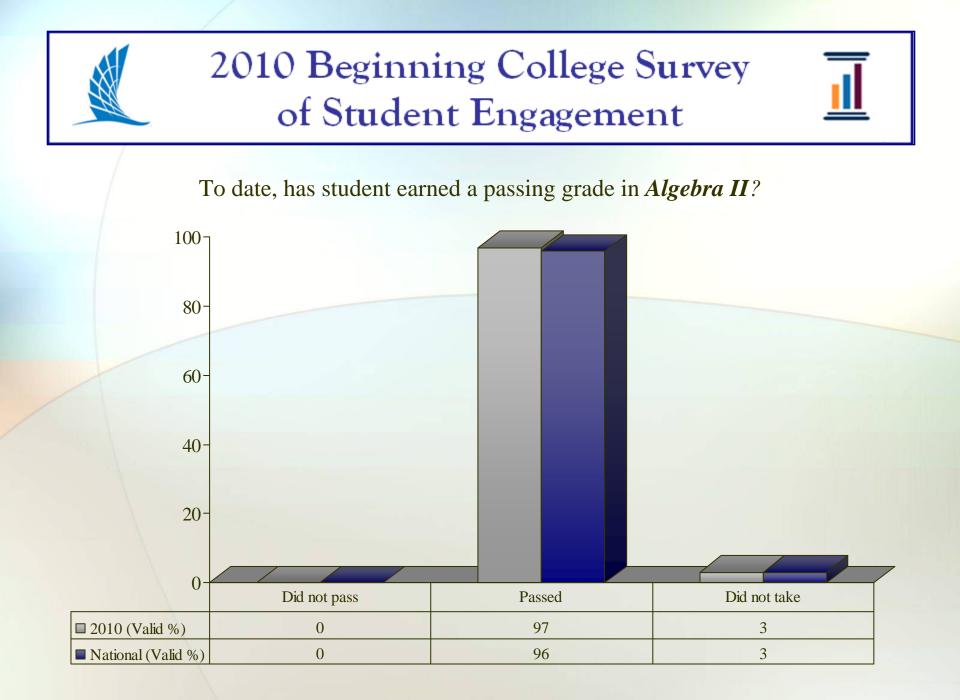






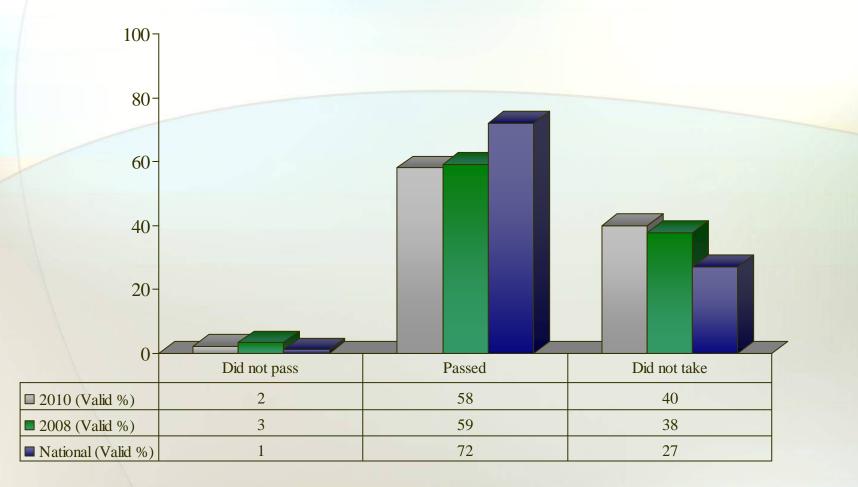
Majority of high school grades







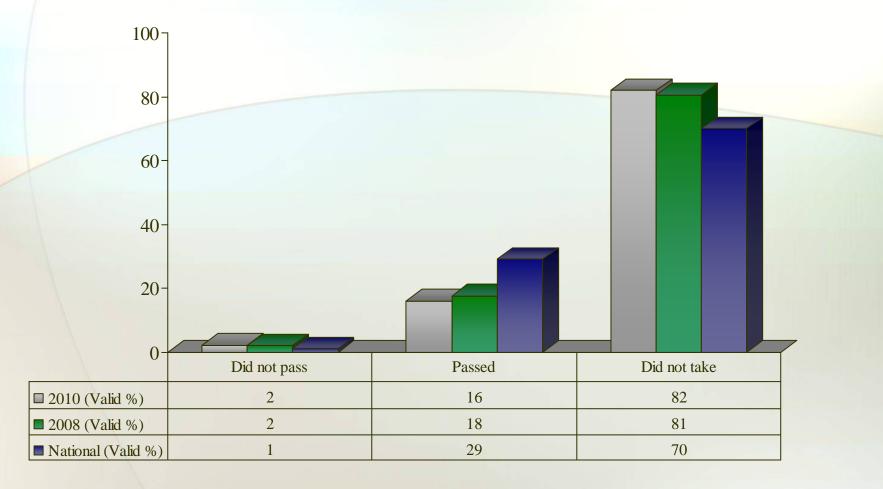
To date, has student earned a passing grade in *Pre-Calculus/Trigonometry*?





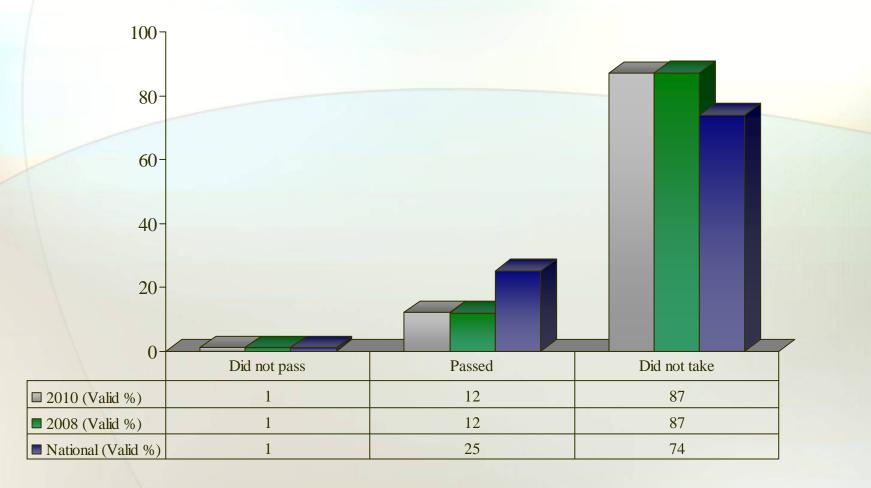


To date, has student earned a passing grade in *Calculus*?





To date, did student earn a passing grade in *Probability or Statistics*?



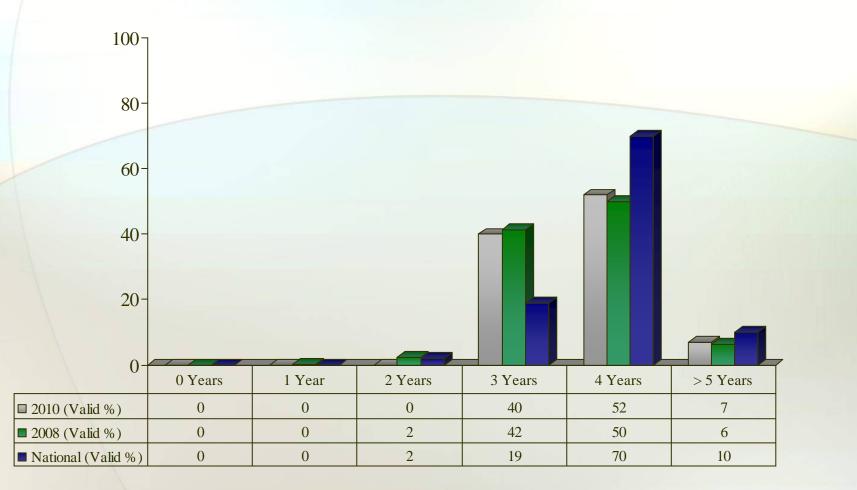


During high school, how many years of *English/Literature* did student complete?





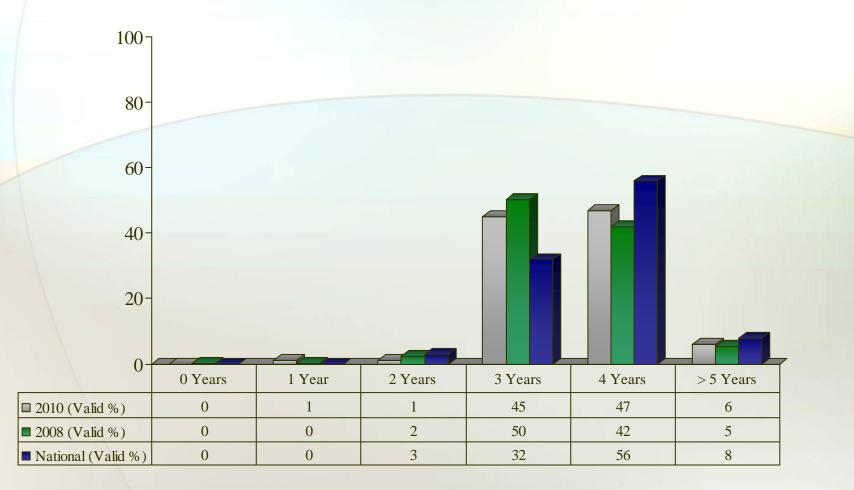
During high school, how many years of *Math* did student complete?





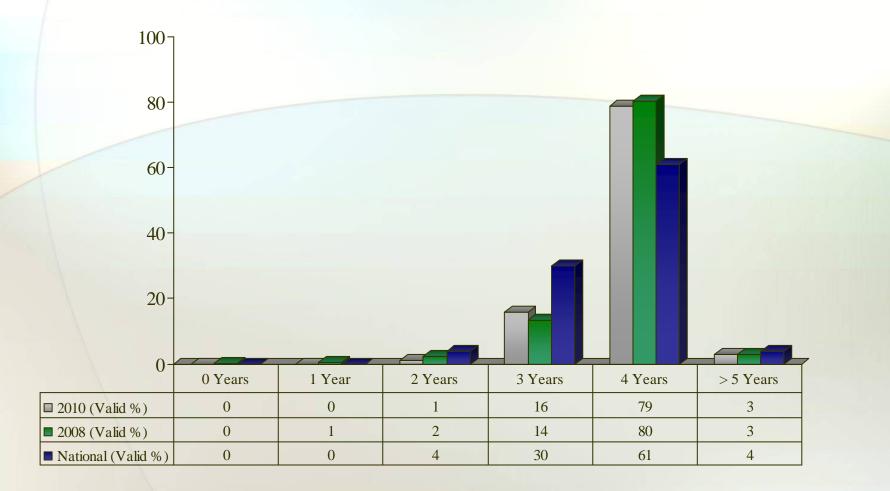
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During high school, how many years of *Science* did student complete?



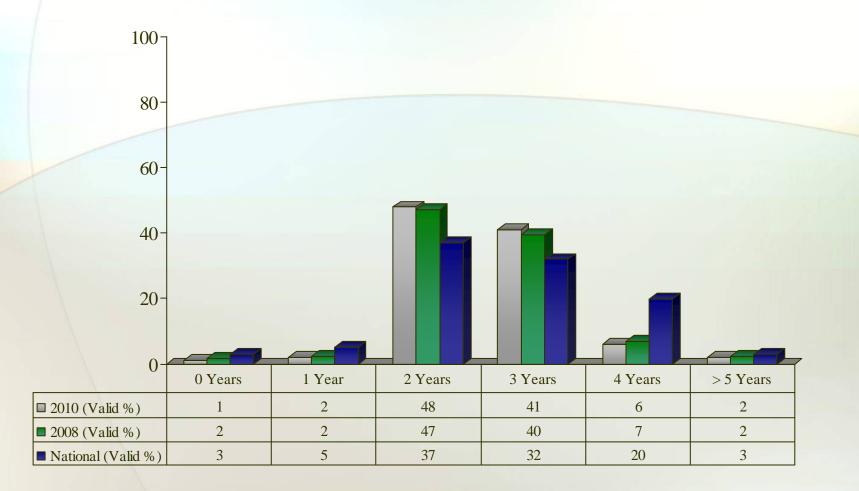


During high school, how many years of *History/Social Sciences* did student complete?



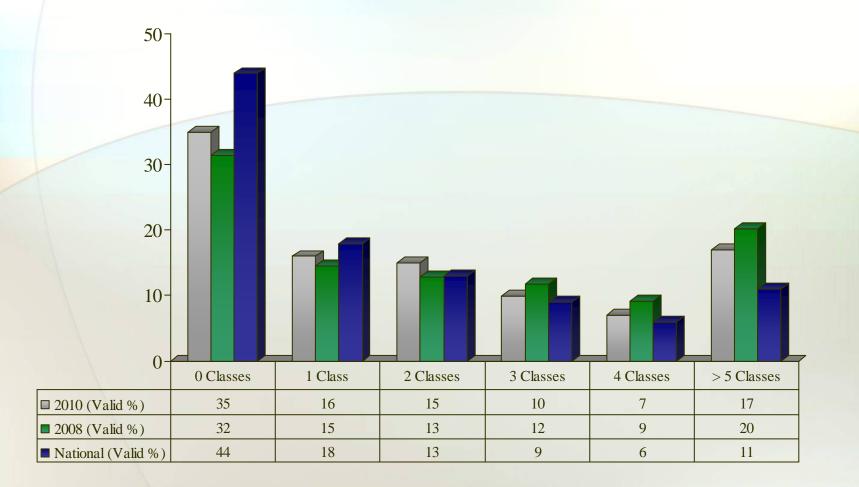


During high school, how many years of *Foreign Language* did student complete?



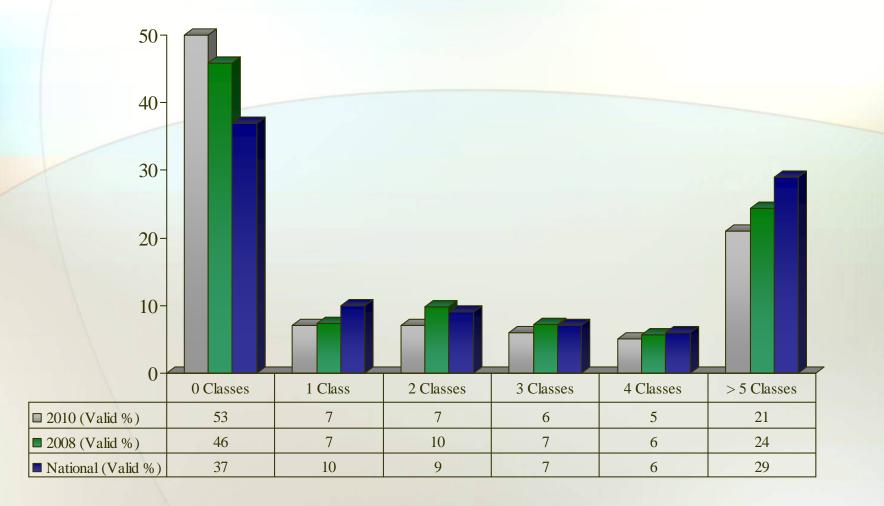


During high school, how many Advanced Placement (AP) courses did student complete?



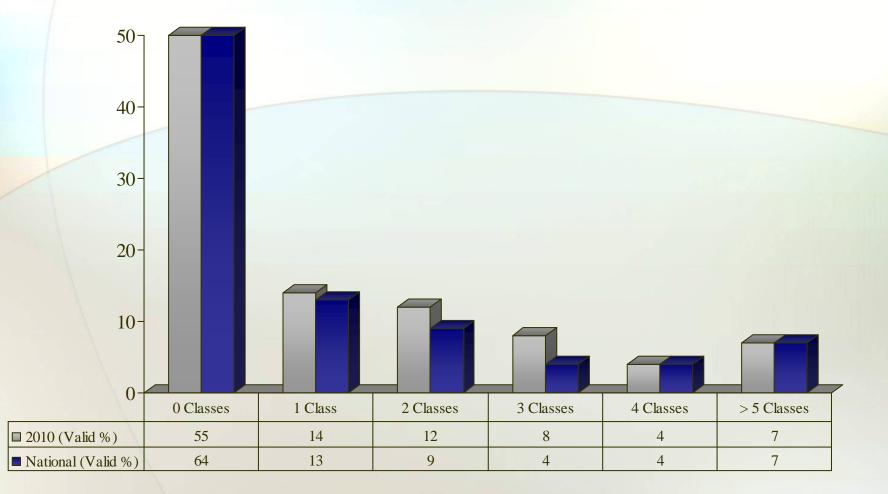


During high school, how many Honors Classes (Not AP) did student complete?



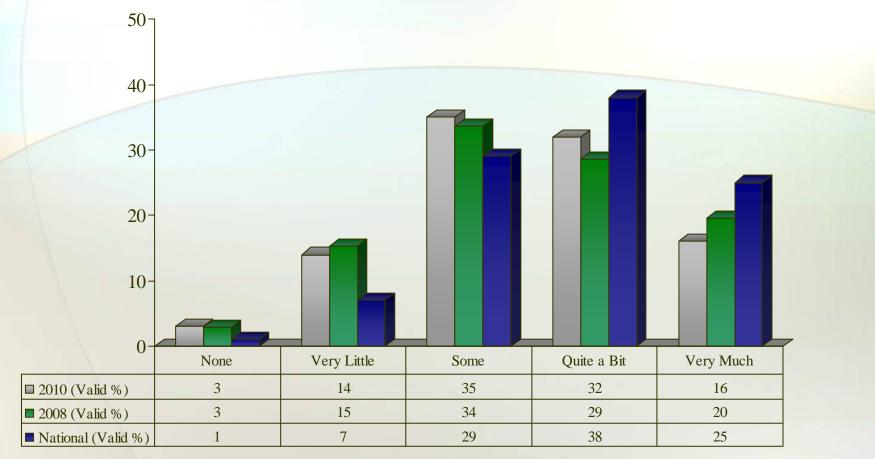


During high school, how many *College Courses for Credit* did student complete?



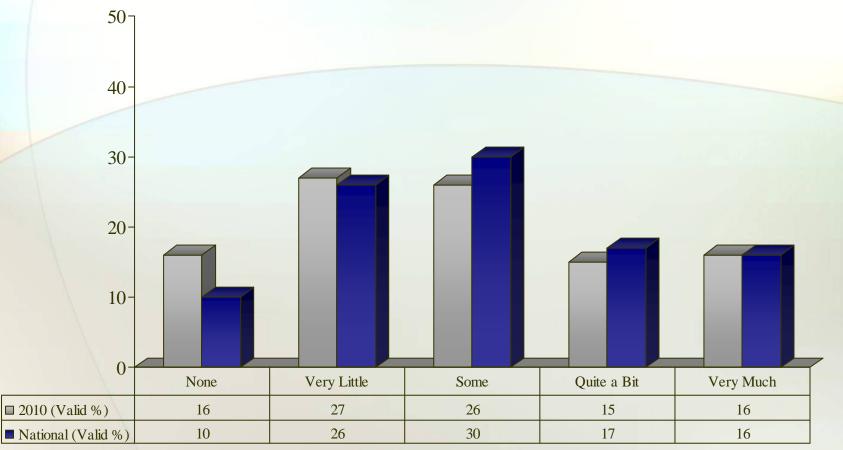


During last year of high school, about how much *assigned reading (textbooks or other course materials)* did student do?

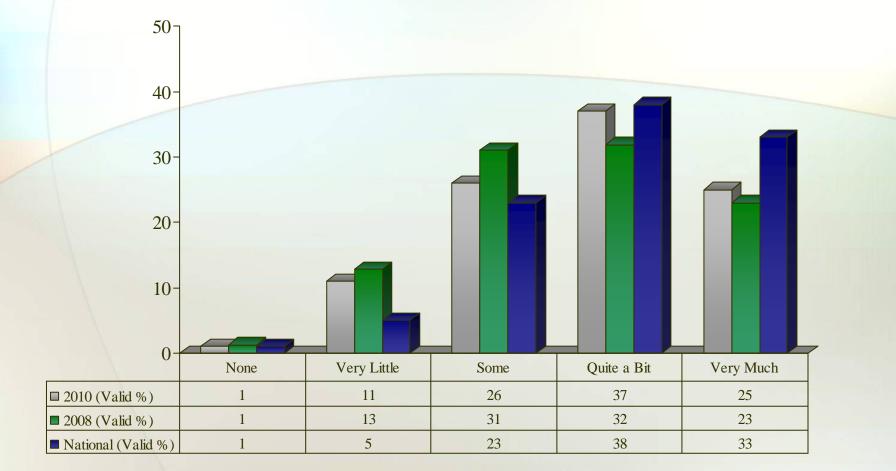




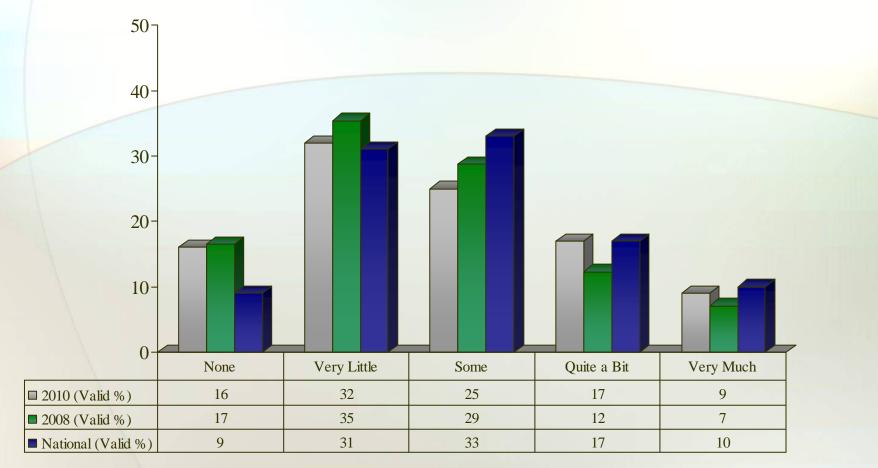
During last year of high school, about how much *unassigned reading (books read on own)* for personal enrichment or academic enrichment did student do?



During last year of high school, about how much writing short papers or reports (5 or fewer pages) did student do?

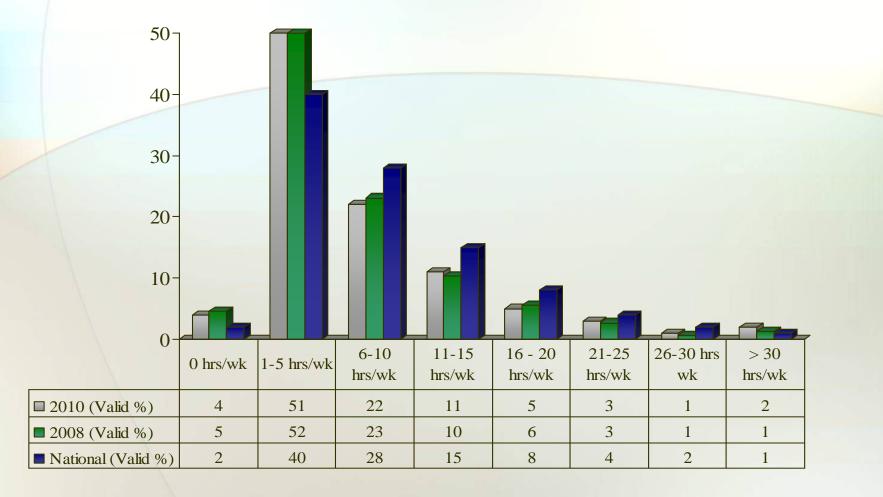


During last year of high school, about how much writing longer papers or reports (more than 5 pages) did student do?



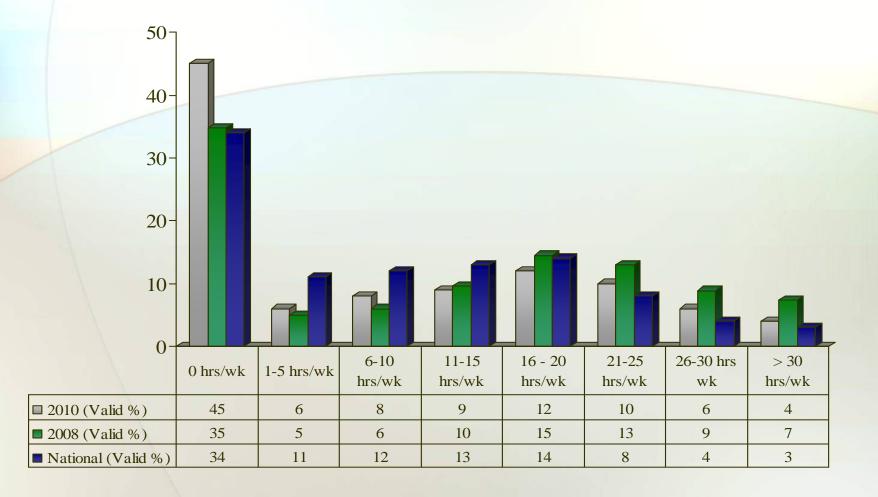


During student's last year of high school, about how many hours were spent in the typical week *preparing for class (studying, doing homework, rehearsing, etc.)?*



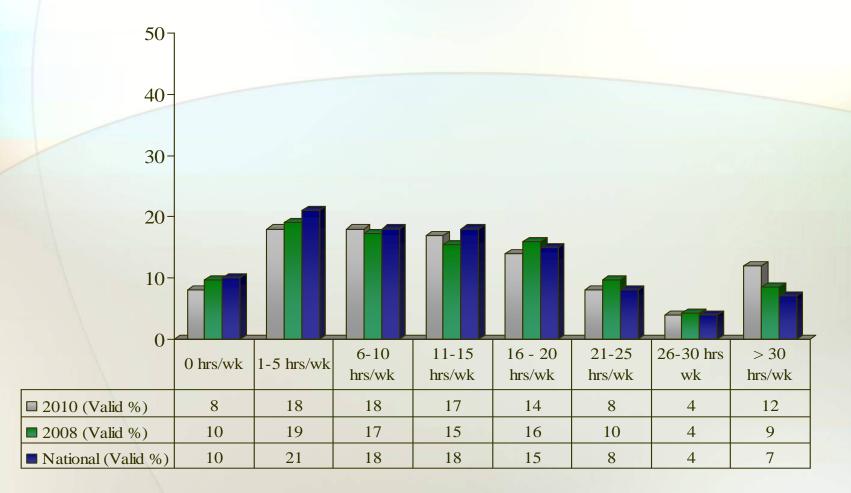


During student's last year of high school, about how many hours were spent in the typical week *working for pay (before or after school, weekends)*?



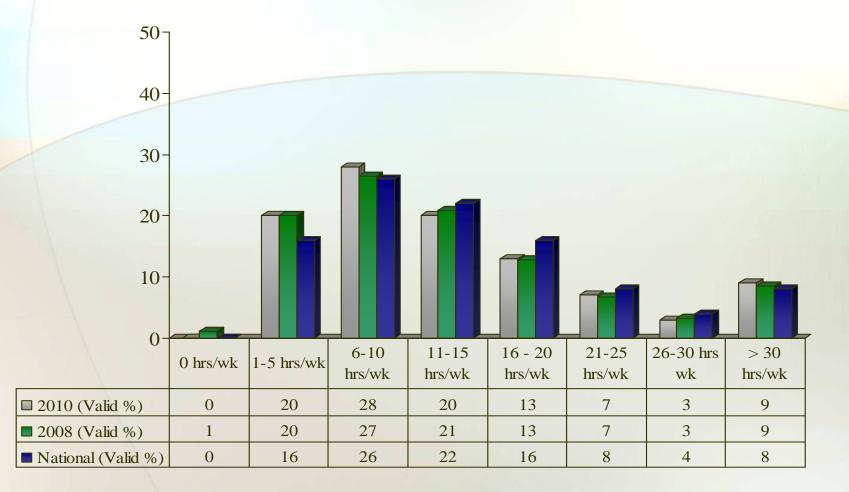


During student's last year of high school, about how many hours were spent in the typical week *participating in co-curricular activities (arts, clubs, athletics, etc.)*?



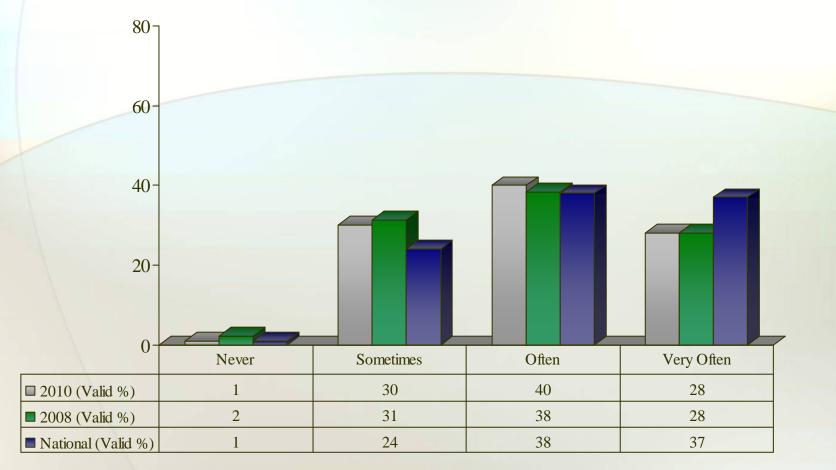


During student's last year of high school, about how many hours were spent in the typical week *relaxing and socializing (watching TV, partying, etc.)*?



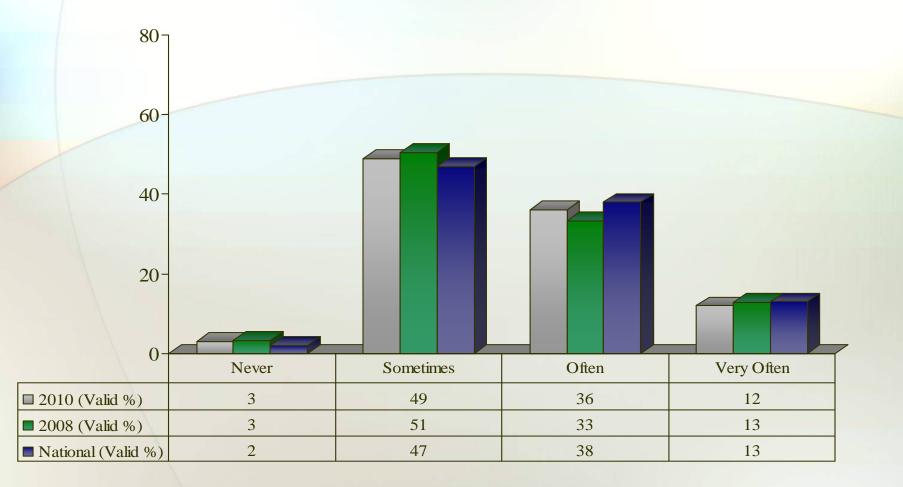


During student's last year of high school, about how often did he/she ask questions in class or contribute to a class discussion?



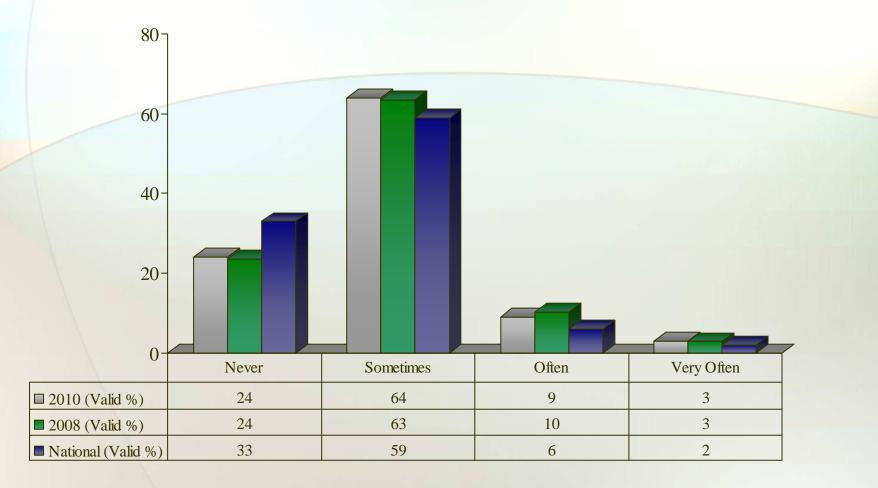


During student's last year of high school, about how often did he/she *make a class presentation*?



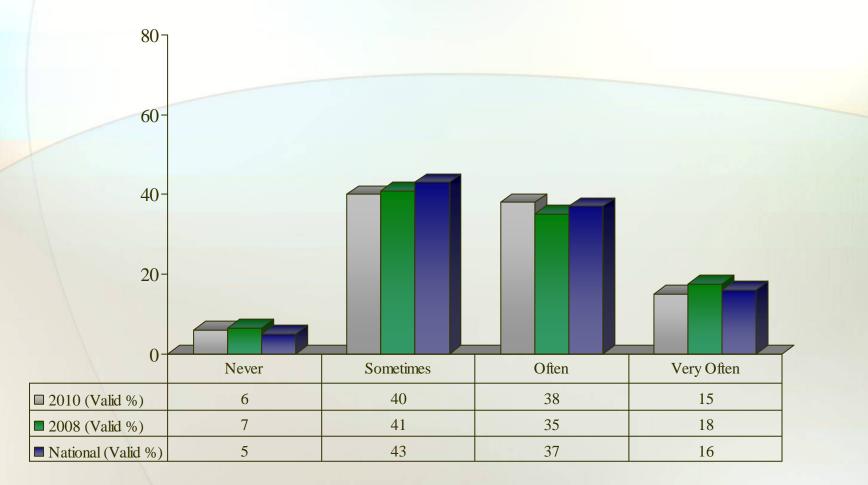


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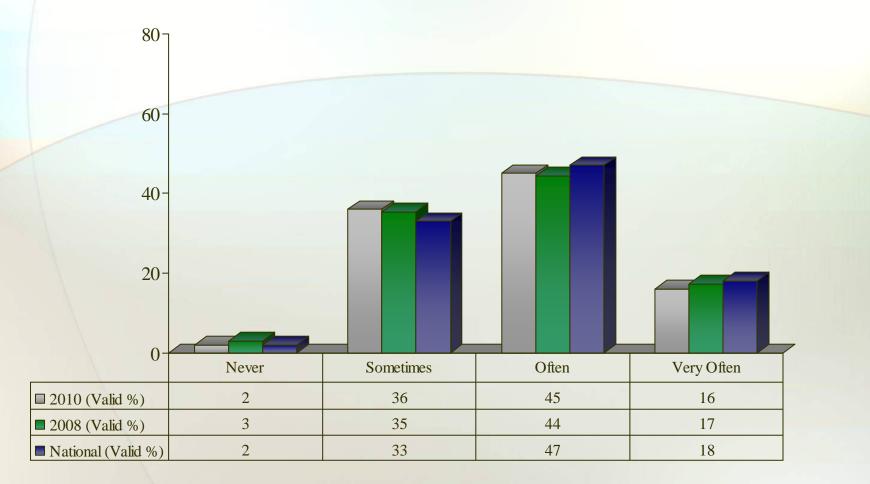


During student's last year of high school, about how often did he/she *discuss grades or assignments with a teacher*?



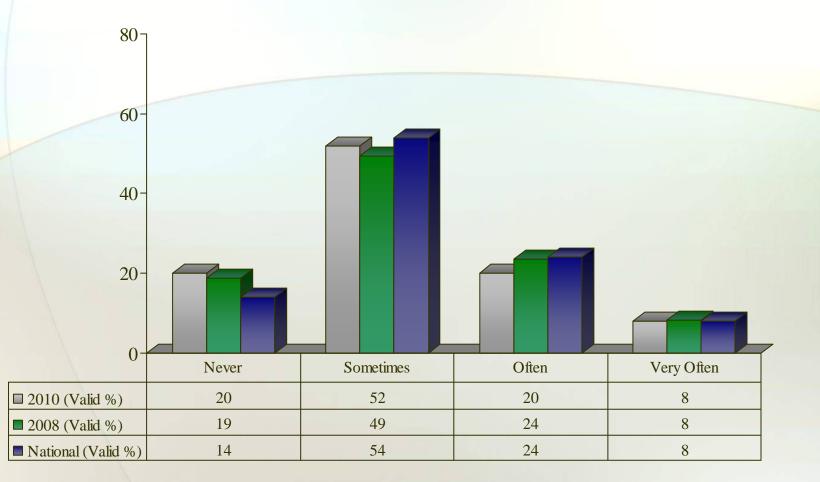


During student's last year of high school, about how often did he/she work with other students on projects during class?



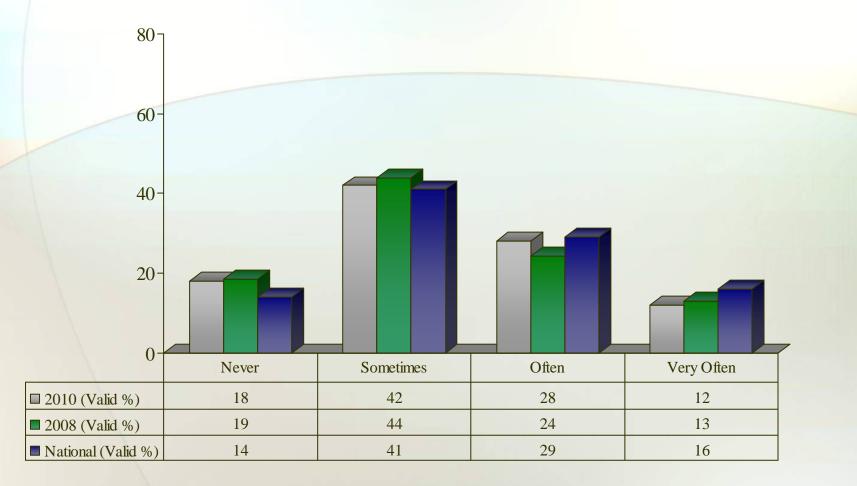


During student's last year of high school, about how often did he/she work with classmates outside of class to prepare class assignments?



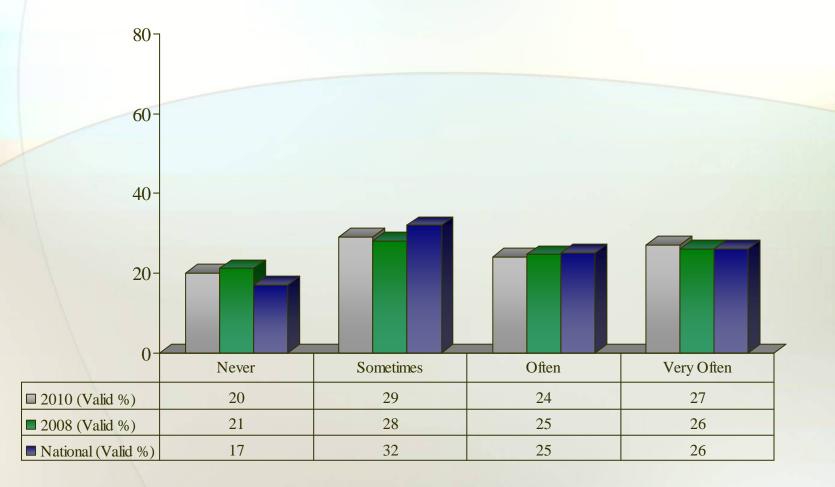


During student's last year of high school, about how often did he/she *prepare two or more drafts of a paper or assignment before turning it in*?



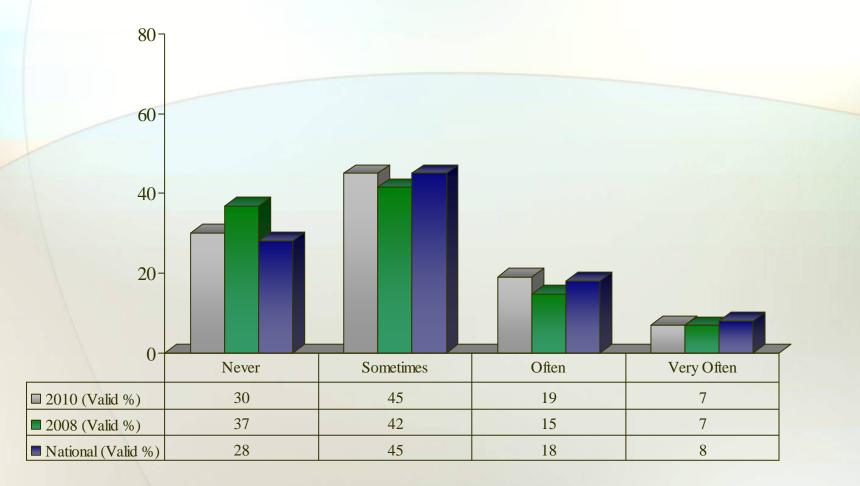


During student's last year of high school, about how often did he/she *have serious* conversations with students of a different race or ethnicity than his/her own?



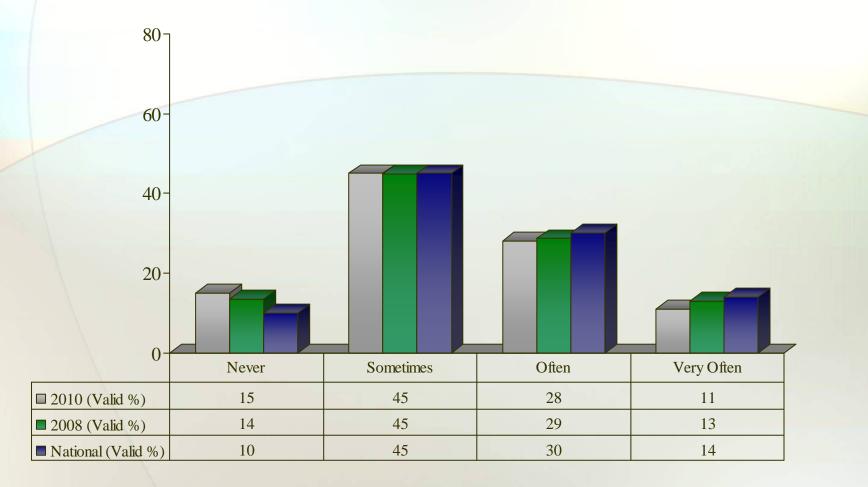


During student's last year of high school, about how often did he/she *discuss ideas from readings or classes with teachers outside of class*?



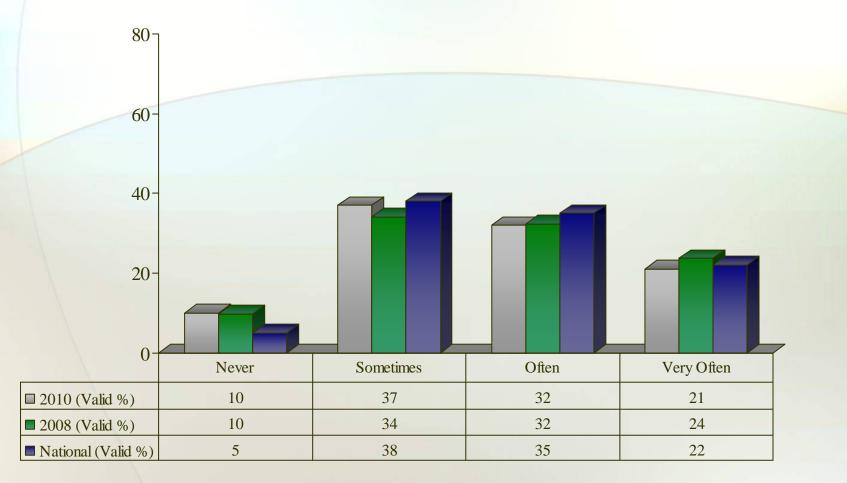


During student's last year of high school, about how often did he/she *discuss ideas from* readings or classes with others outside of class (students, family members, etc.)?



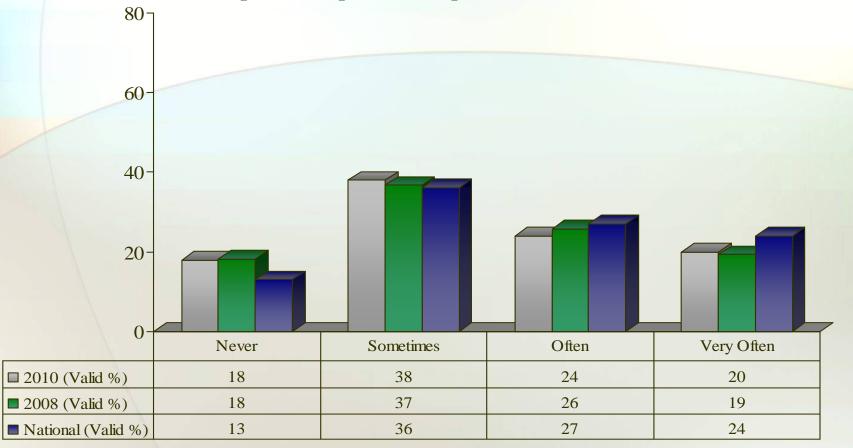


During student's last year of high school, about how often did he/she *talk with a counselor, teacher, or other staff member about college or career plans*?



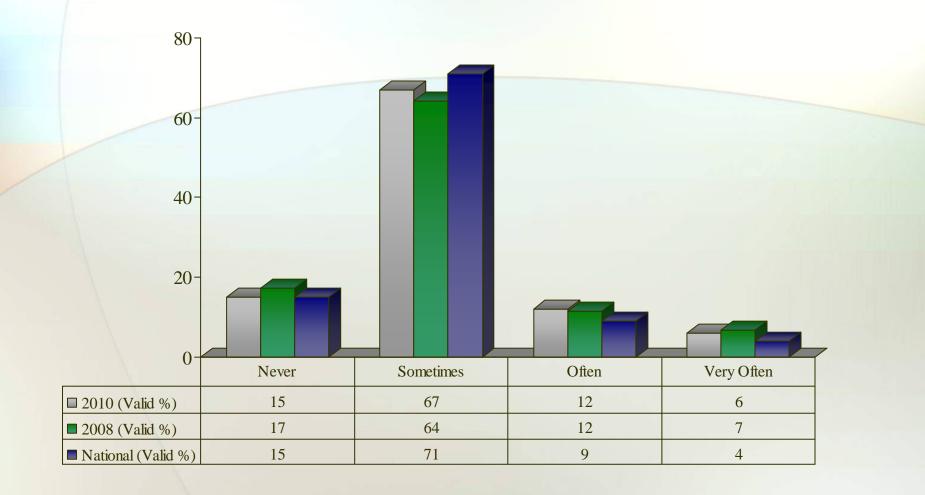


During student's last year of high school, about how often did he/she *have serious* conversations with students who are very different in terms of their religious beliefs, political opinions, or personal values?





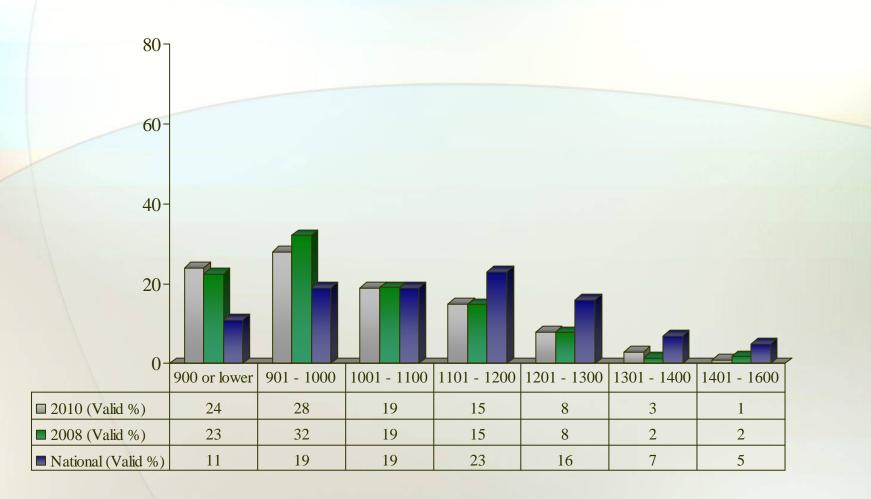
During student's last year of high school, about how often did he/she *miss a day of school*?





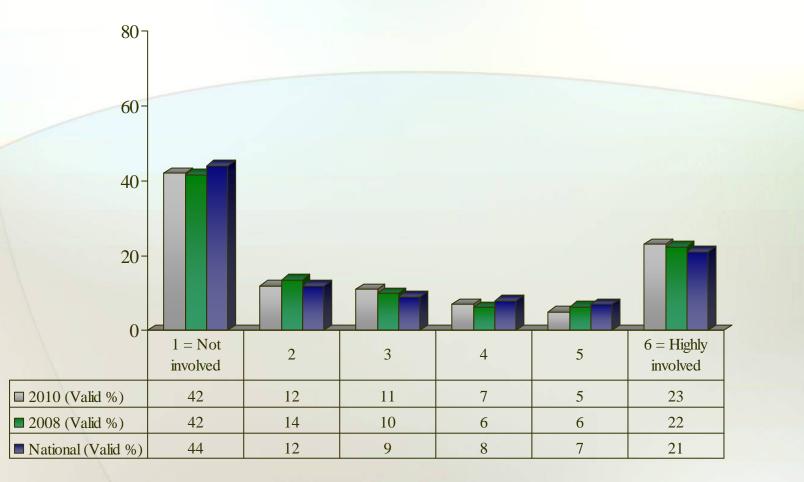
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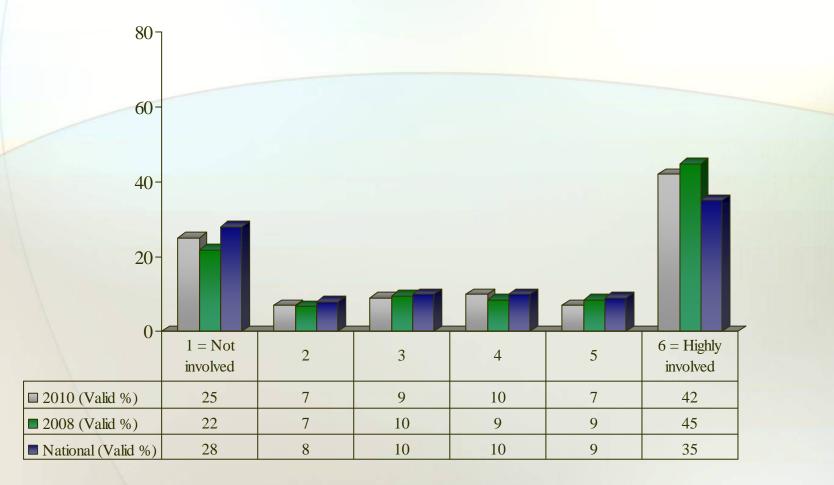


During student's high school years, how involved was he/she in *performing or visual arts programs (band, chorus, theater, art, etc.)* ?



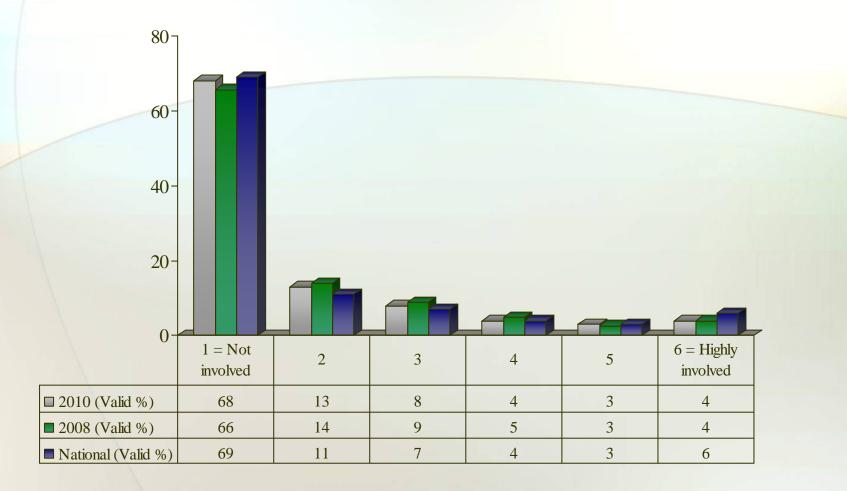


During student's high school years, how involved was he/she in *athletic teams (varsity, junior varsity, club sport, etc.)*?



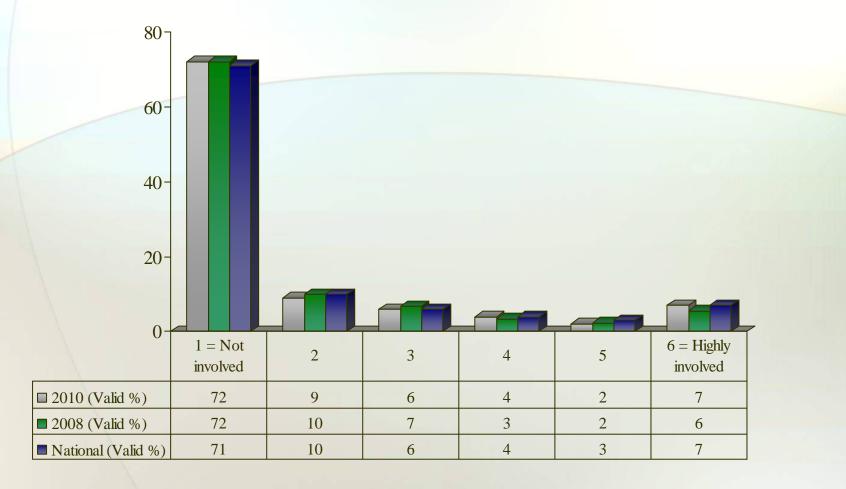


During student's high school years, how involved was he/she in student government?



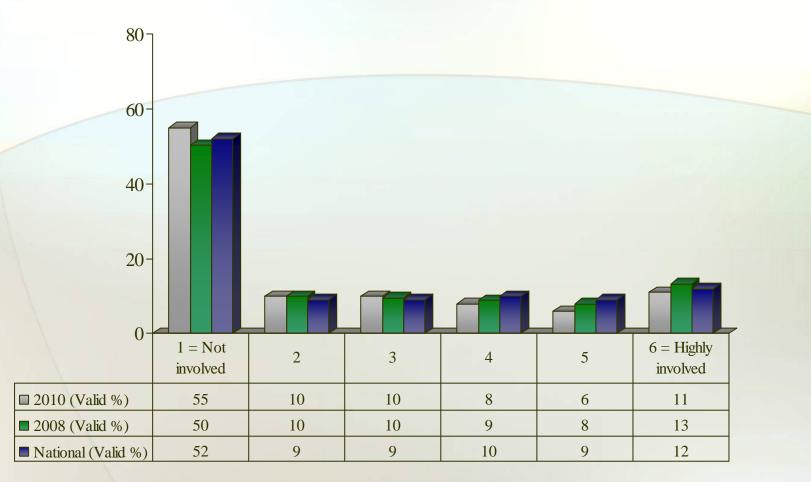


During student's high school years, how involved was he/she in *publications (student newspaper, yearbook, etc.)?*



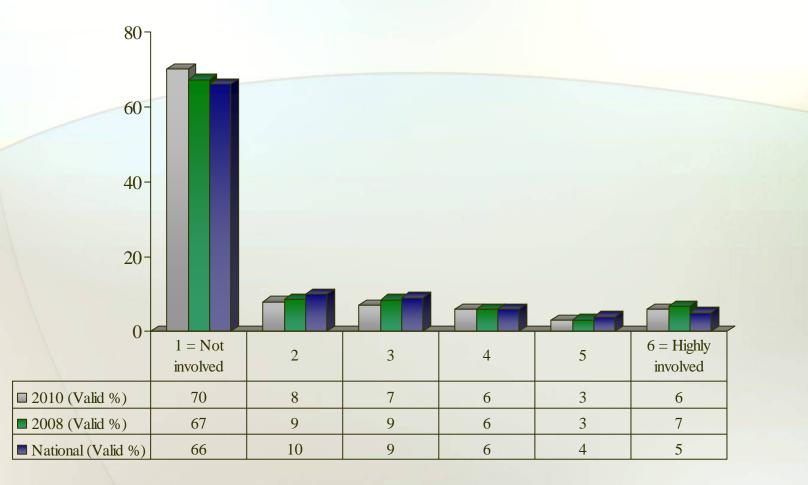


During student's high school years, how involved was he/she in *academic honor societies*?



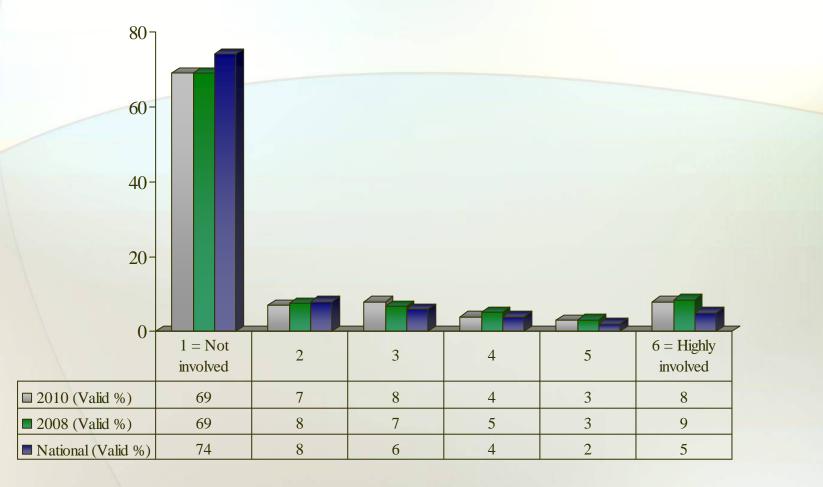


During student's high school years, how involved was he/she in *academic clubs* (*debate, mathematics, science, etc.*)



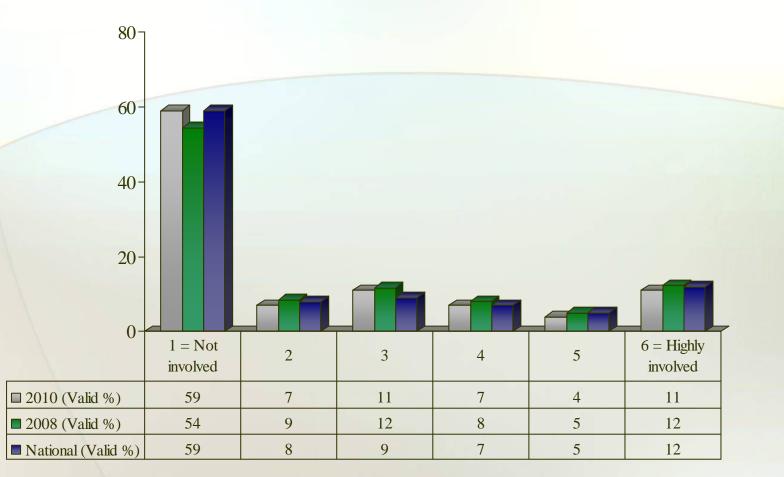


During student's high school years, how involved was he/she in *vocational clubs* (*business, health, technology, etc.*)?



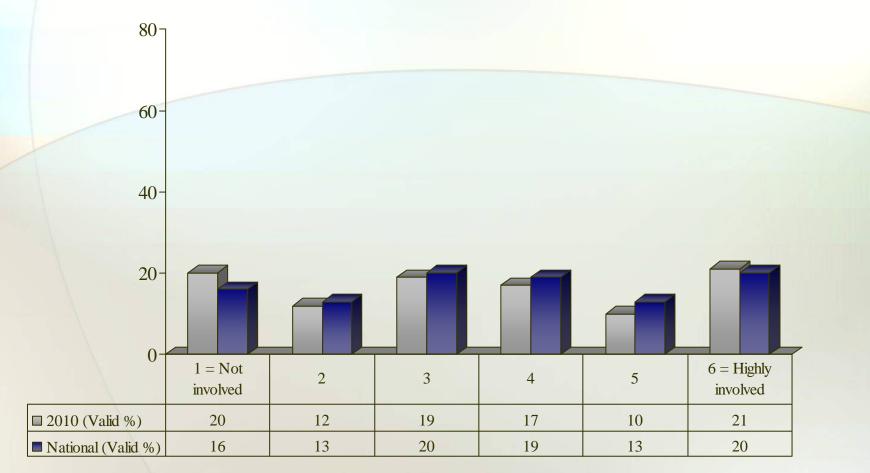


During student's high school years, how involved was he/she in *religious youth groups*?



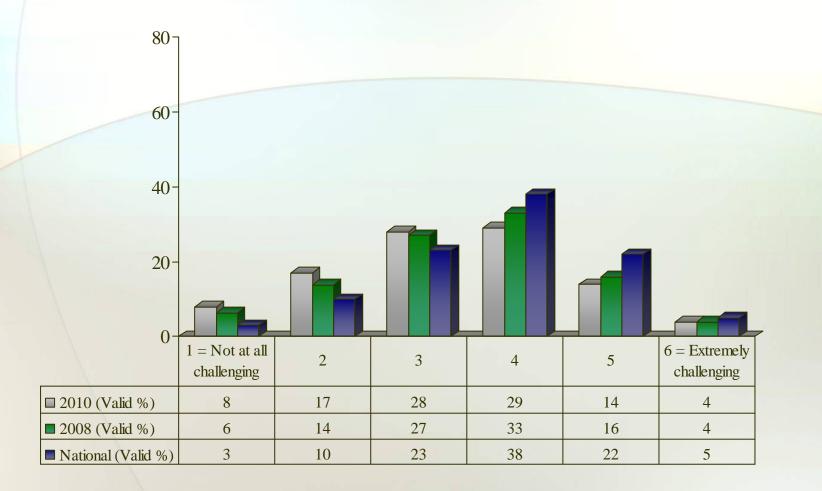


During student's high school years, how involved was he/she in *community service or volunteer work*?





Overall, how **academically challenging** did student perceive his/her high school to be?





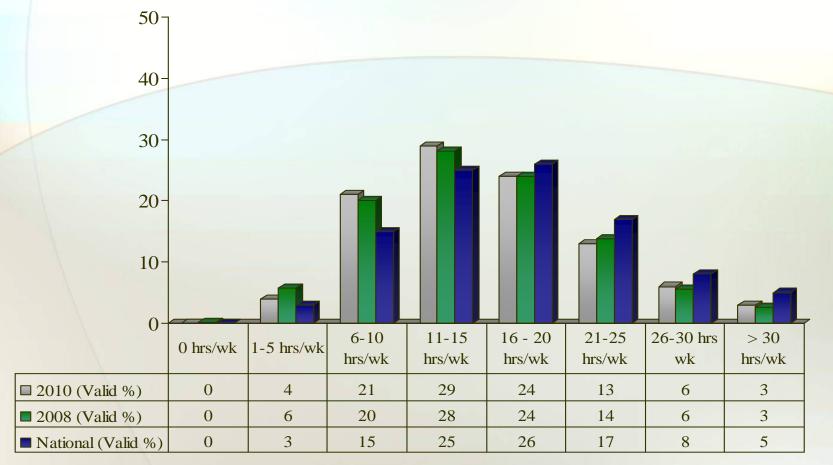




Expected Academic Engagement



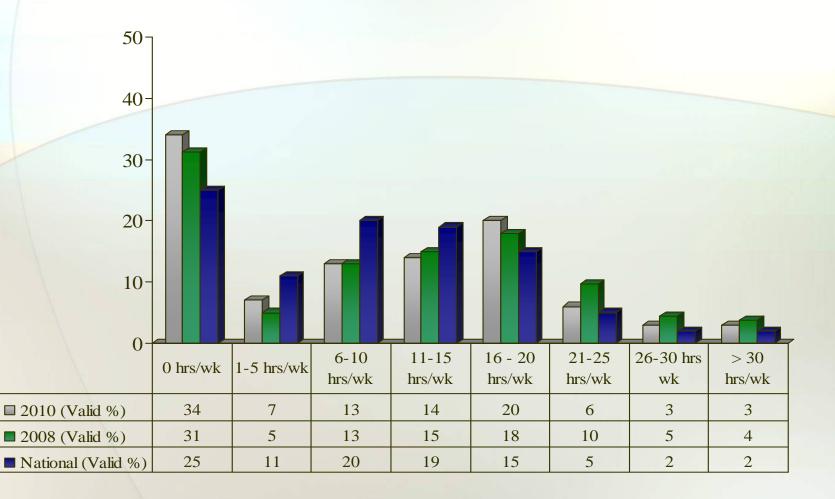
During the coming school year, about how many hours does the student think he/she will spend in a typical week *preparing for class (studying, reading, writing, doing homework or lab work, analyzing data, rehearsing, and other academic activities)*?





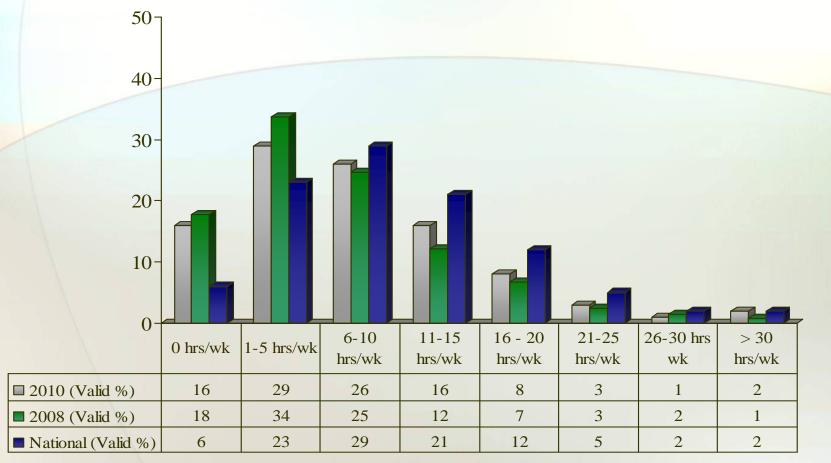


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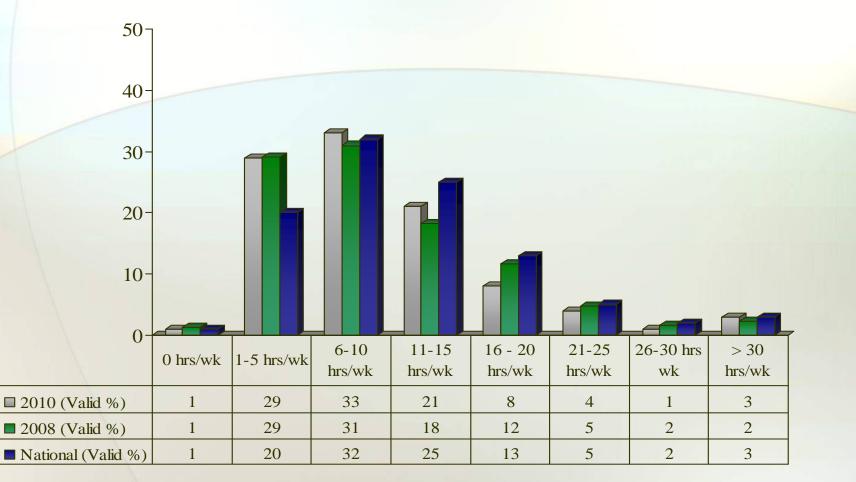


During the coming school year, about how many hours does the student think he/she will spend in a typical week *participating in co-curricular activities (organizations, campus publications, student govt., fraternity/sorority, intercollegiate/intramural sports, etc.)?*



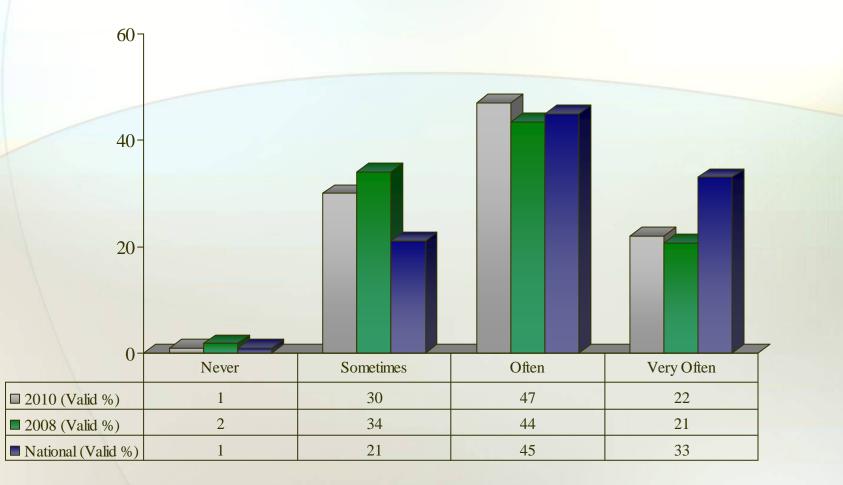


During the coming school year, about how many hours does the student think he/she will spend in a typical week *relaxing or socializing (watching TV, partying, etc.)*?



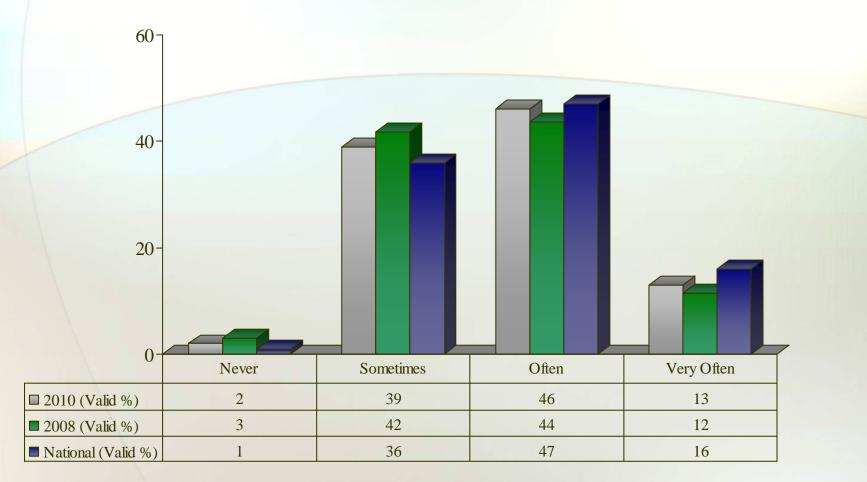


During the coming school year, about how often does the student expect to ask *questions in class or contribute to class discussions*?



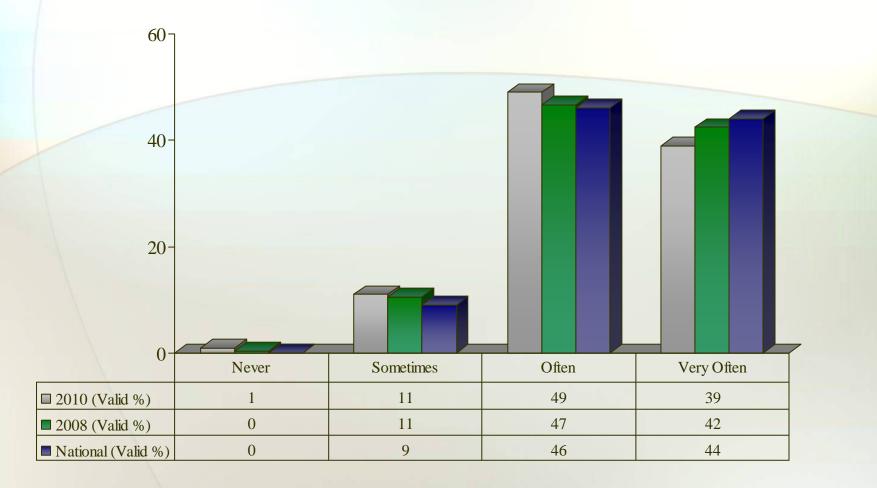


During the coming school year, about how often does the student expect to *make a class presentation*?



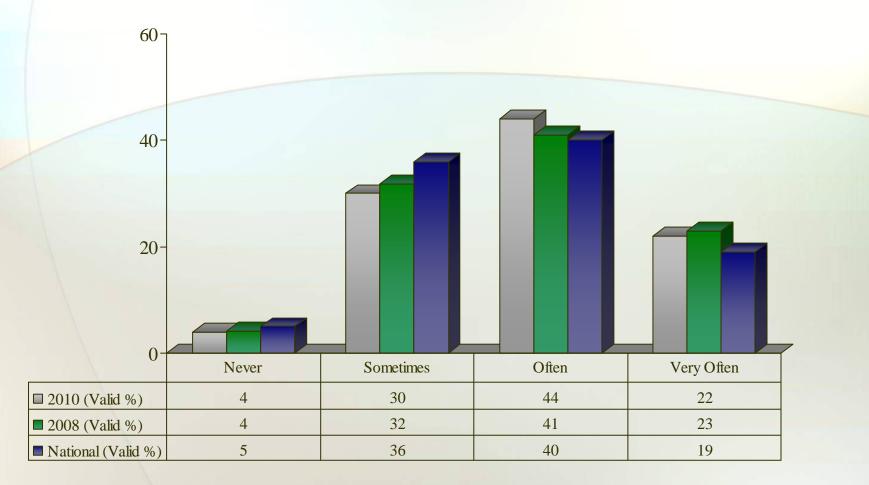


During the coming school year, about how often does the student expect to *work on a paper or project that requires integrating ideas or information from various sources*?



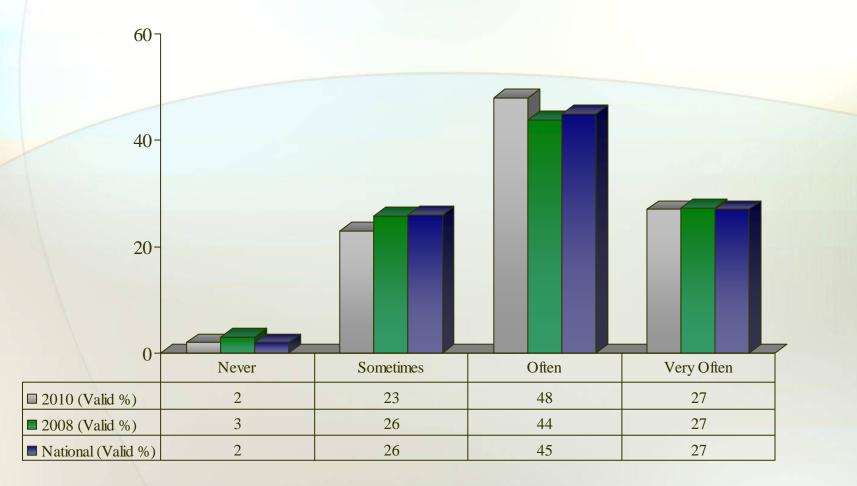


During the coming school year, about how often does the student expect to *work with other students on projects during class*?



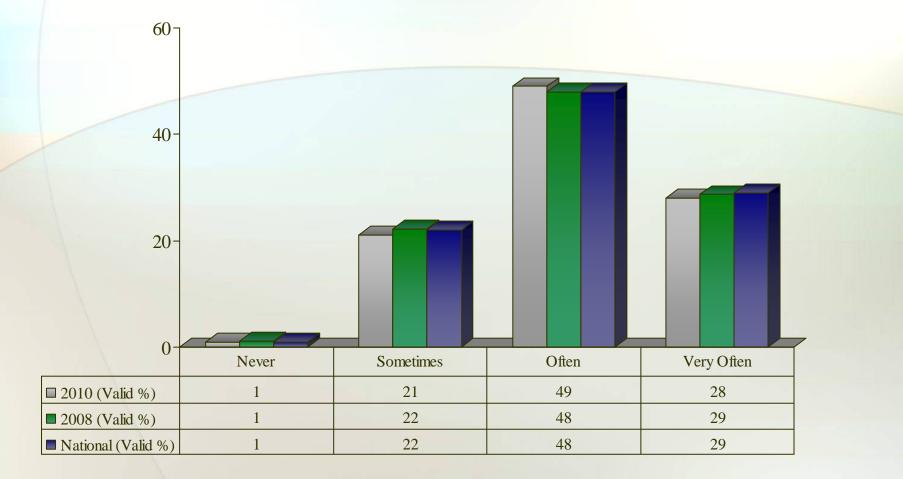


During the coming school year, about how often does the student expect to work with classmates outside of class to prepare class assignments?



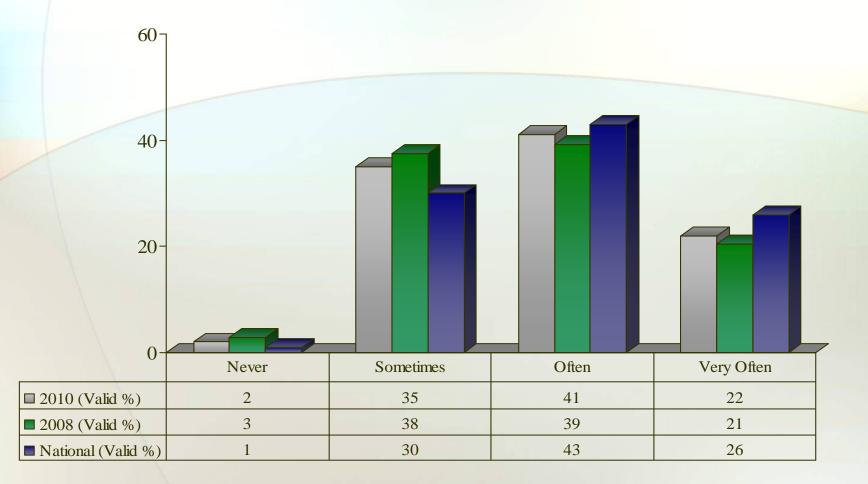


During the coming school year, about how often does the student expect to *put together ideas or concepts from different courses when completing assignments or during class discussions*?



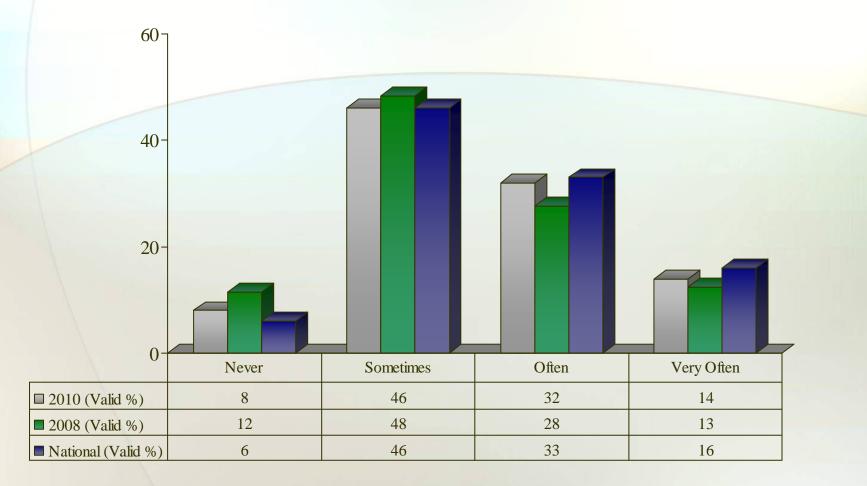


During the coming school year, about how often does the student expect to *discuss* grades or assignments with an instructor?



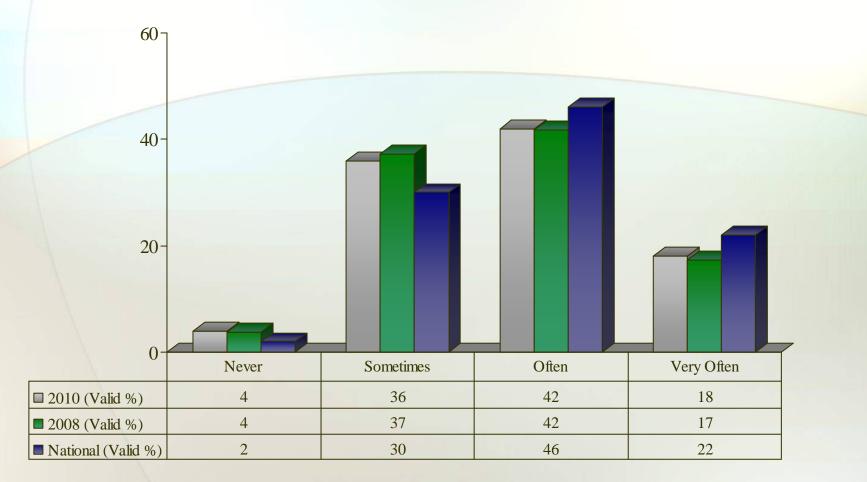


During the coming school year, about how often does the student expect to *discuss ideas from readings or classes with faculty members outside of class?*



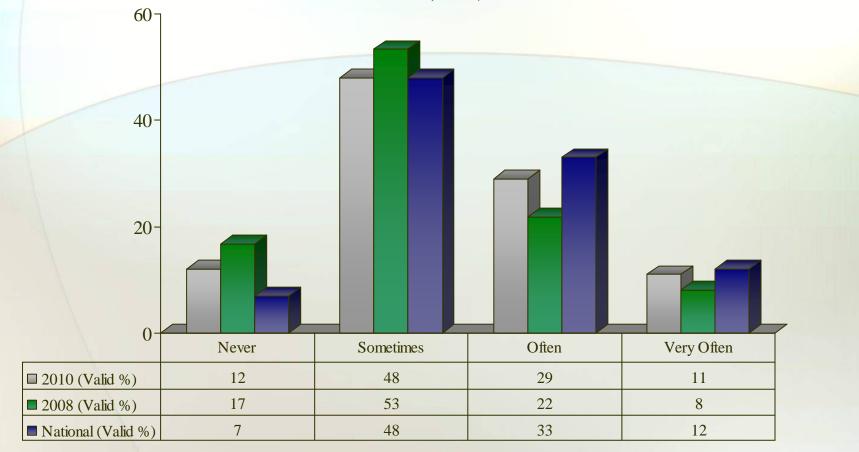


During the coming school year, about how often does the student expect to *receive prompt feedback from faculty on academic performance (written or oral)*?



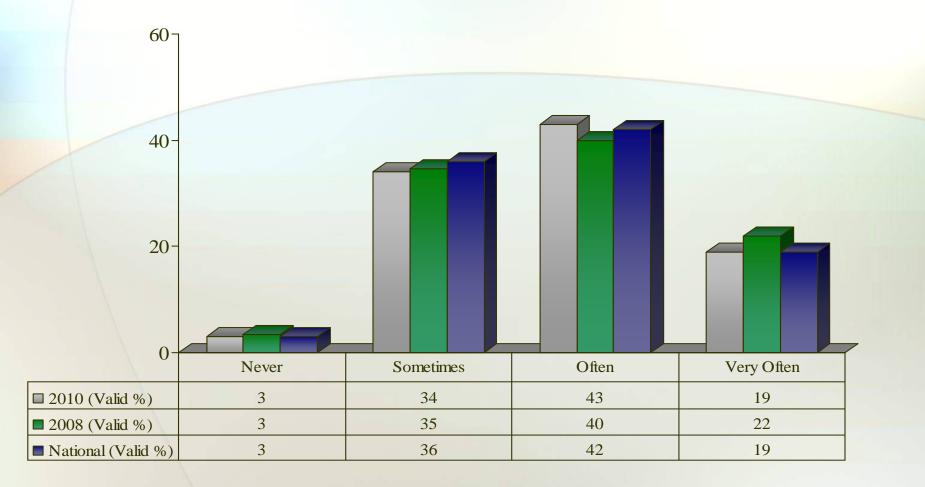


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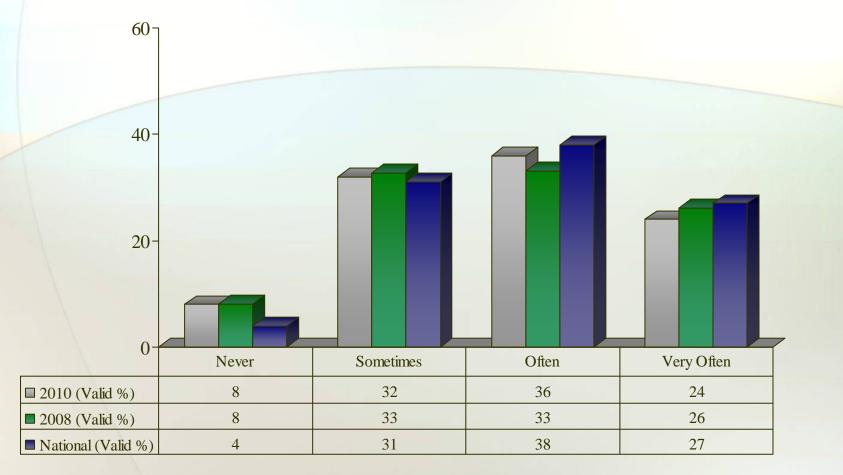


During the coming school year, about how often does the student expect to *discuss ideas from readings or classes with others outside of class (students, family, co-workers, etc.)?*



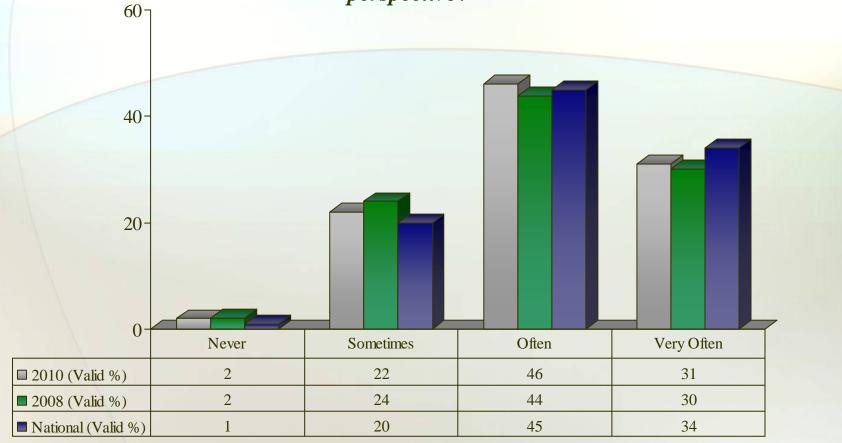


During the coming school year, about how often does the student expect to *have serious conversations with students of a different race or ethnicity than his/her own*?



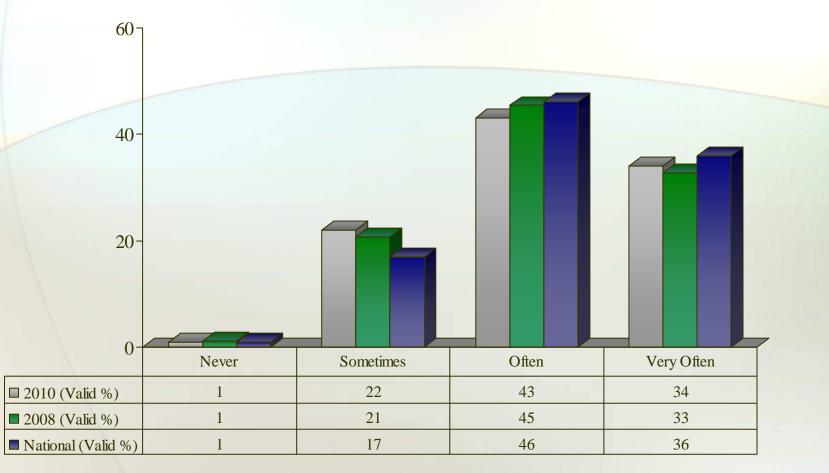


During the coming school year, about how often does the student expect to *try to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective*?



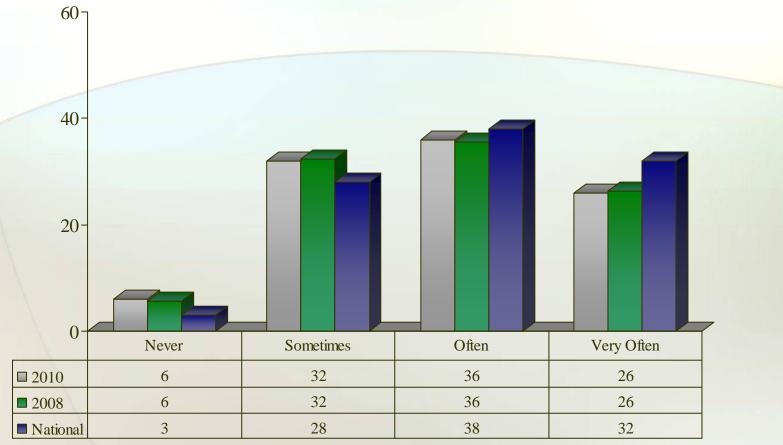


During the coming school year, about how often does the student expect to *learn* something that changes the way he/she understands an issue or idea?



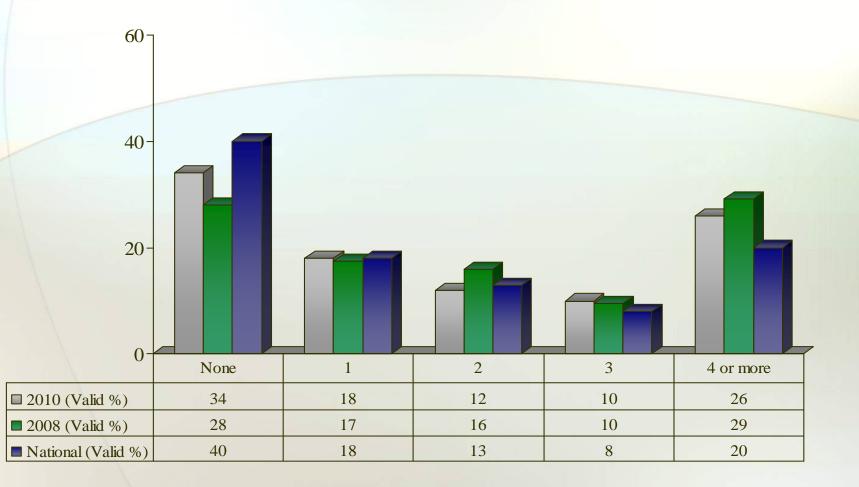


During the coming school year, about how often does the student expect to *have serious* conversations with students who are very different from him/her in terms of their religious beliefs, political opinions, or personal values?





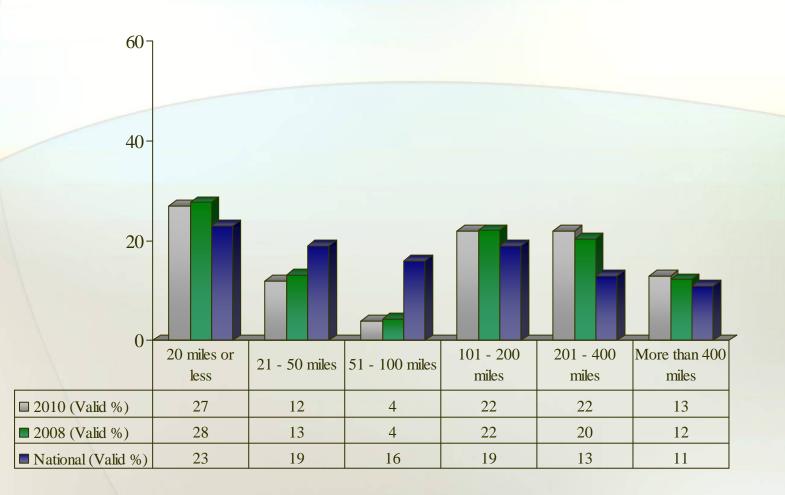
Number of close friends attending TAMU-CC during the coming year







How far TAMU-CC is from student's home?







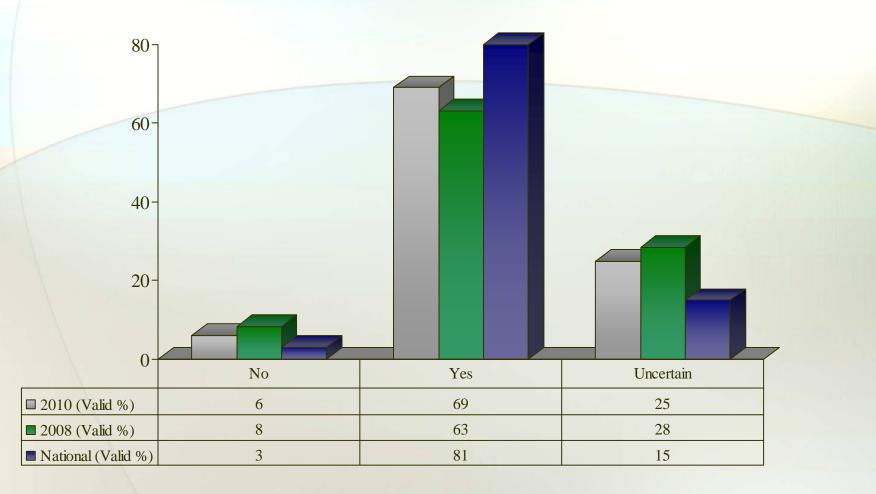


Expected Academic Perseverance



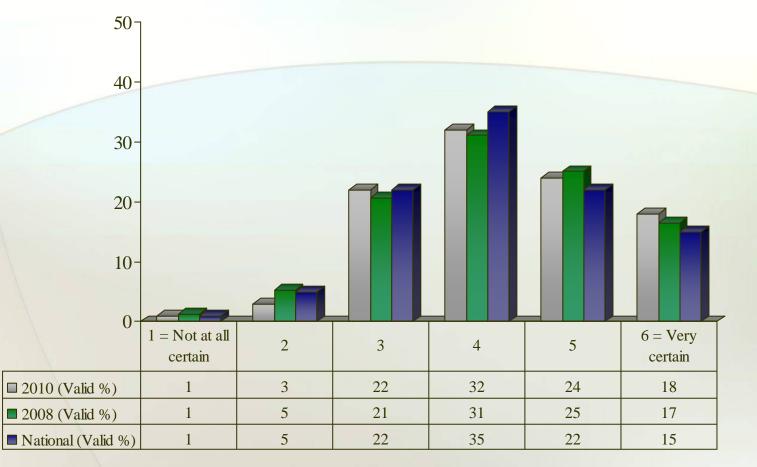


Does the student intend to graduate from *this college*?



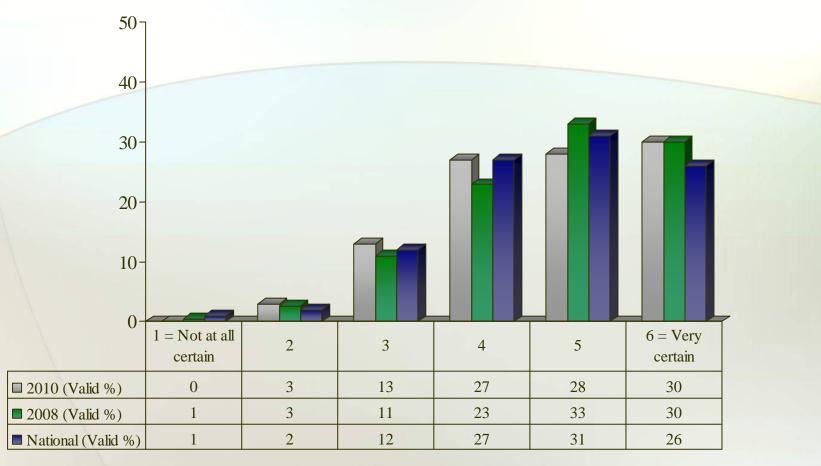


During the coming school year, about how certain is the student that he/she will *study when there are other interesting things to do*?



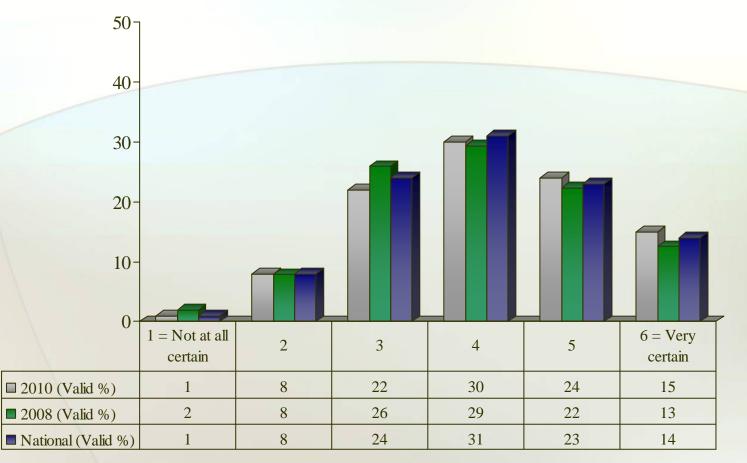


During the coming school year, about how certain is the student that he/she will *find additional information for course assignments when he/she does not understand the material*?



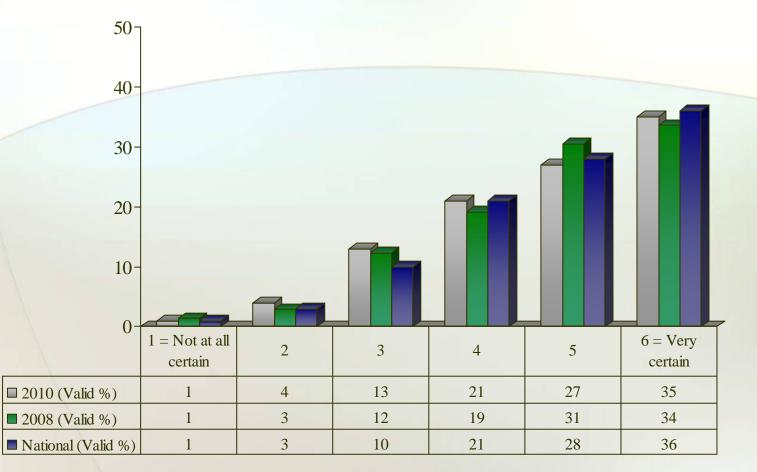


During the coming school year, about how certain is the student that he/she will *participate regularly in course discussions, even when he/she does not feel like it*?



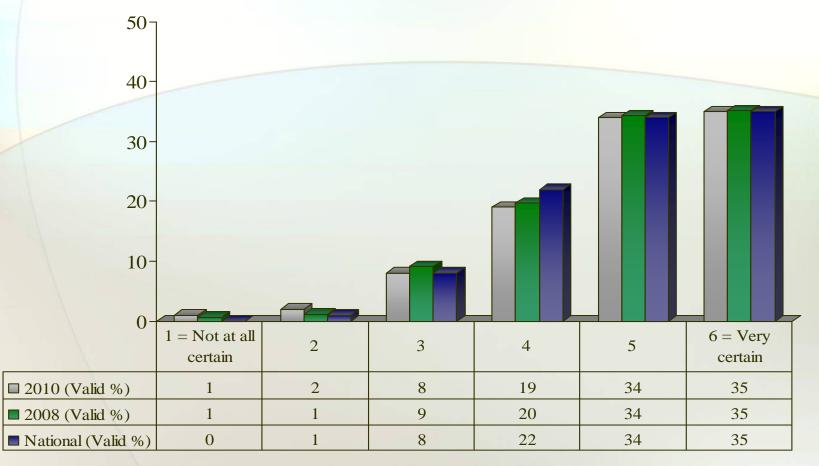


During the coming school year, about how certain is the student that he/she will ask instructors for help when he/she struggles with course assignments?



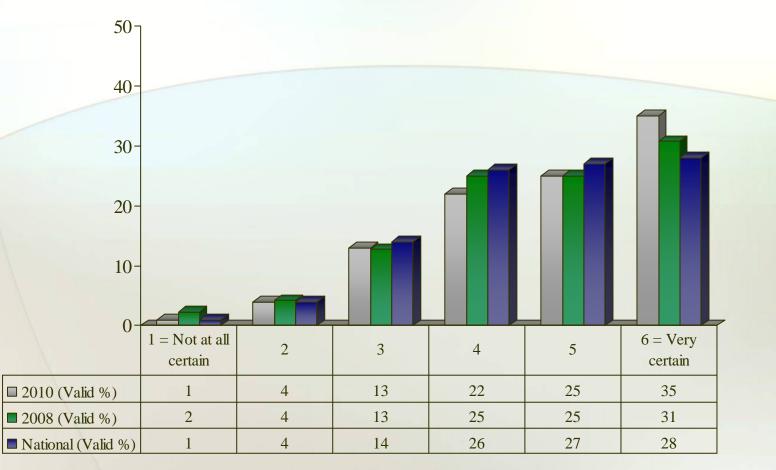


During the coming school year, about how certain is the student that he/she will *finish something that has already been started when he/she encounters challenges*?





During the coming school year, about how certain is the student that he/she will *stay positive, even after doing poorly on a test assignment*?





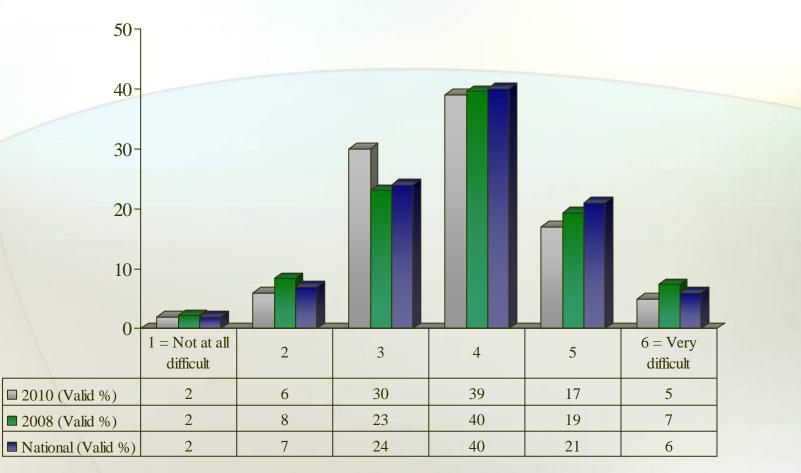




Expected Academic Difficulty

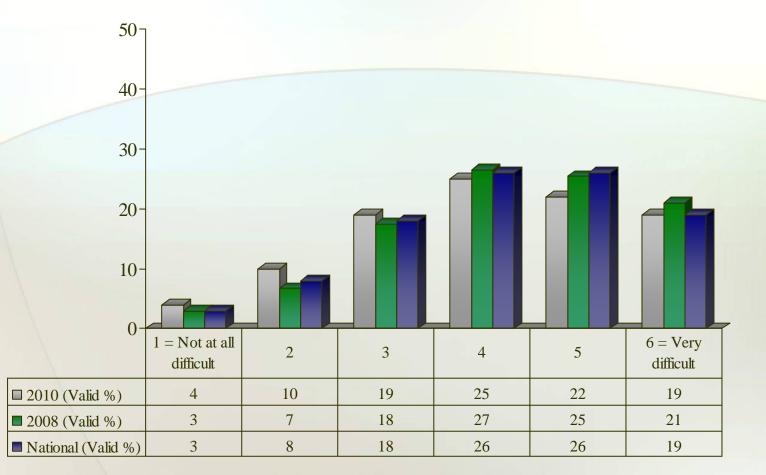


During the coming school year, about how difficult does the student expect *learning course material* to be?



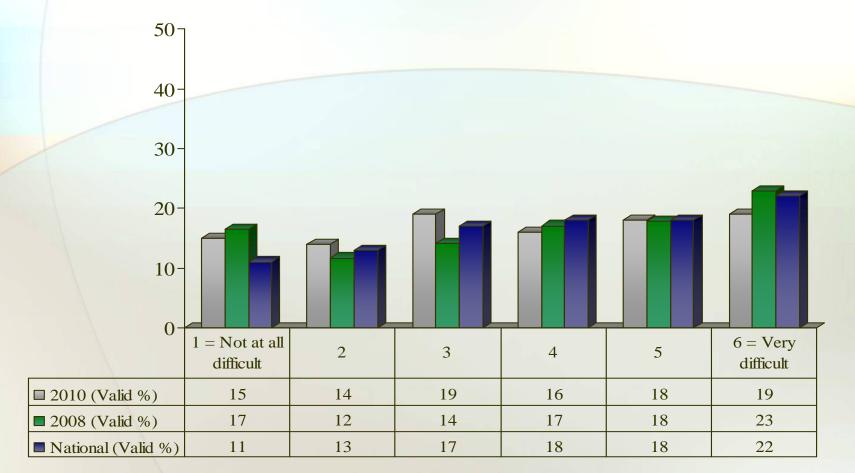


During the coming school year, about how difficult does the student expect *managing his/her time* to be?



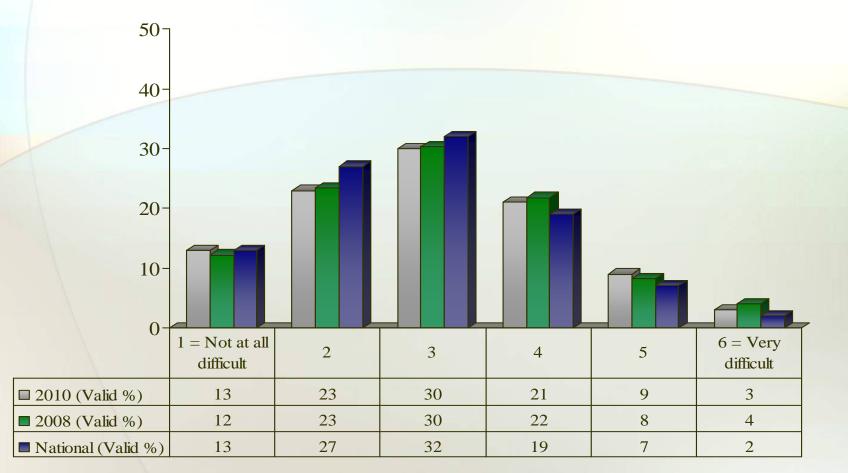


During the coming school year, about how difficult does the student expect *paying college expenses* to be?



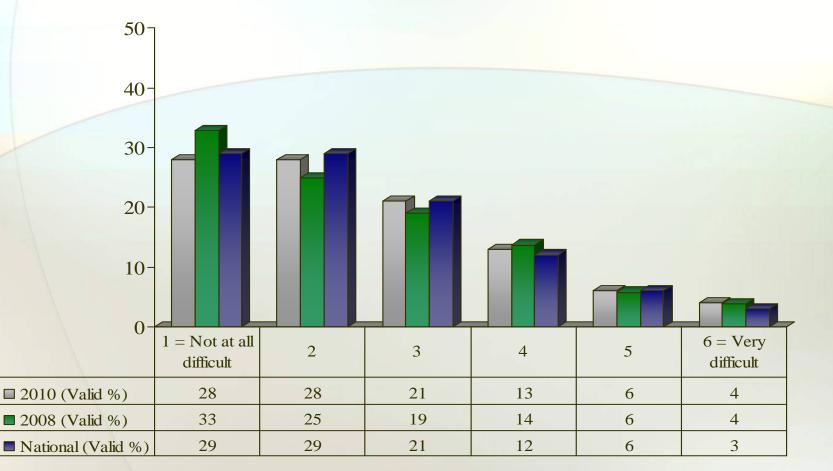


During the coming school year, about how difficult does the student expect *getting help with school work* to be?



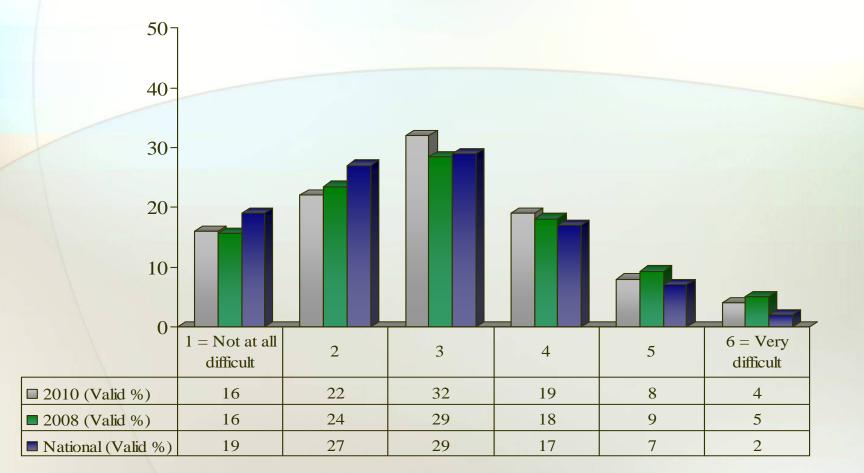


During the coming school year, about how difficult does the student expect *making new friends* to be?





During the coming school year, about how difficult does the student expect *interacting with faculty* to be?





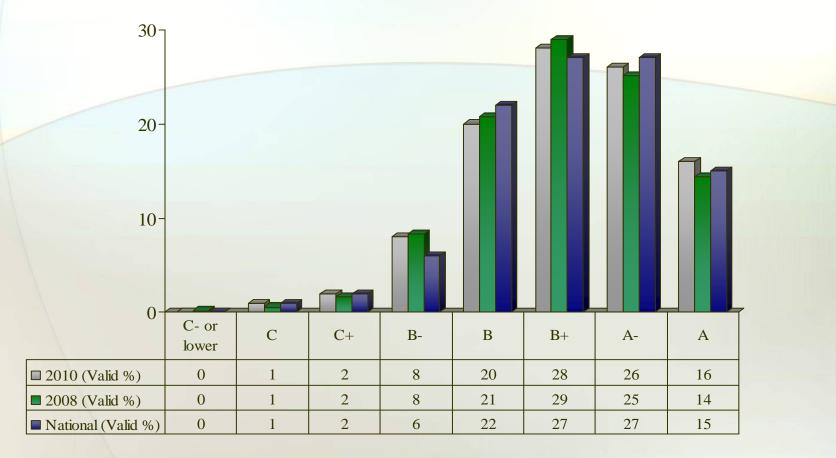




Perceived Academic Preparation

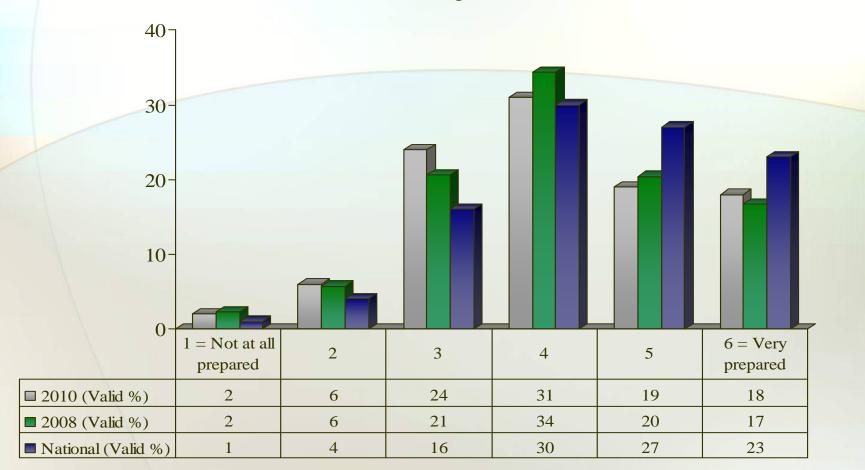


What do the student expect most of his/her *grades* will be at this college during the *coming year*?



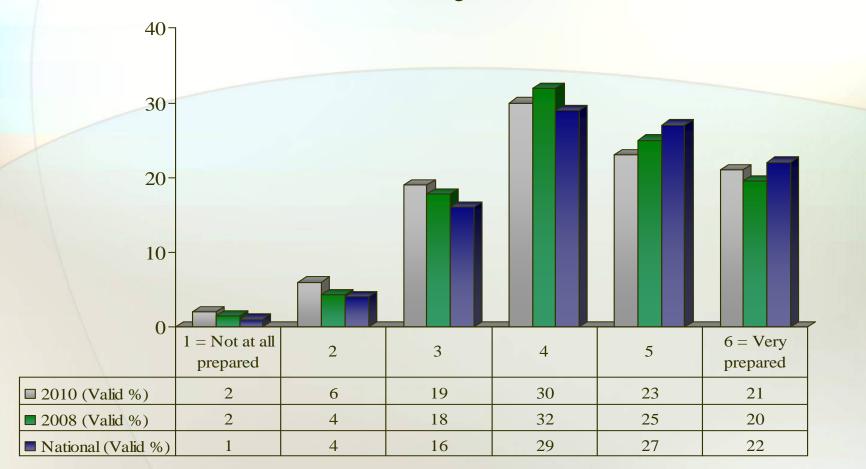


How prepared is the student to *write clearly and effectively* in his/her academic work at this college?



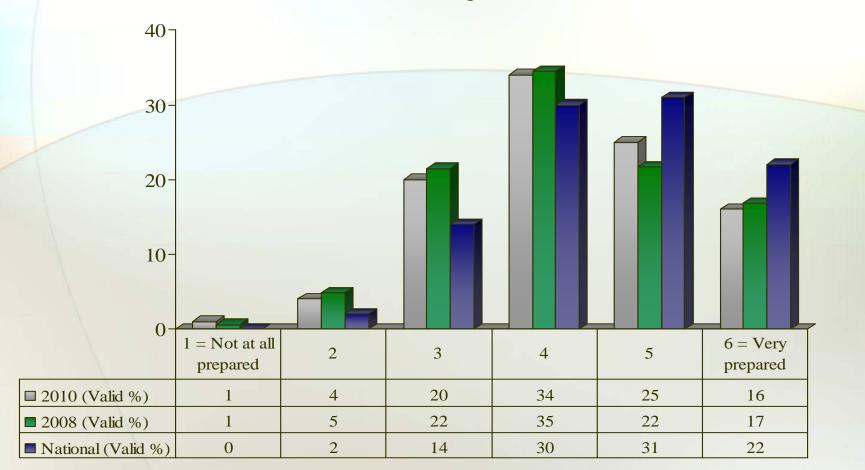


How prepared is the student to *speak clearly and effectively* in his/her academic work at this college?



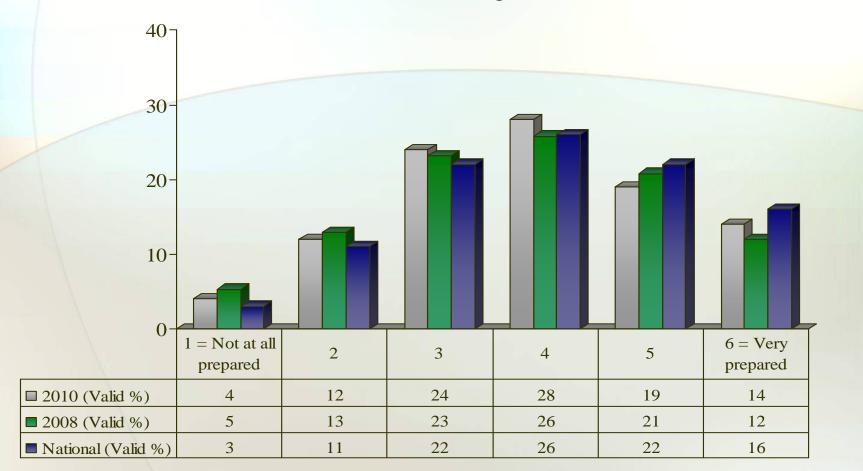


How prepared is the student to *think critically and analytically* in his/her academic work at this college?



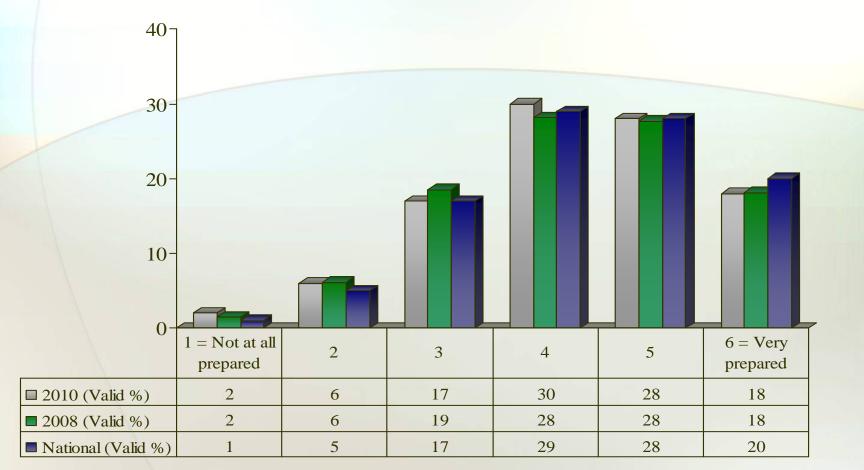


How prepared is the student to *analyze math or quantitative problems* in his/her academic work at this college?



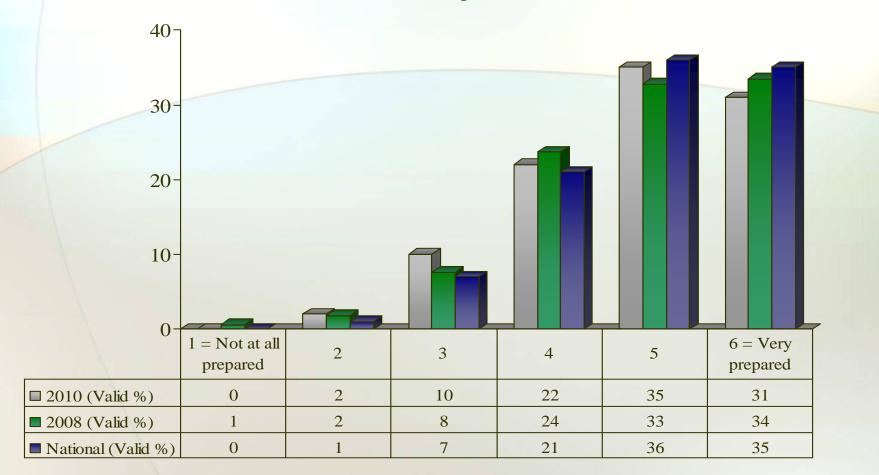


How prepared is the student to *use computing and information technology* in his/her academic work at this college?



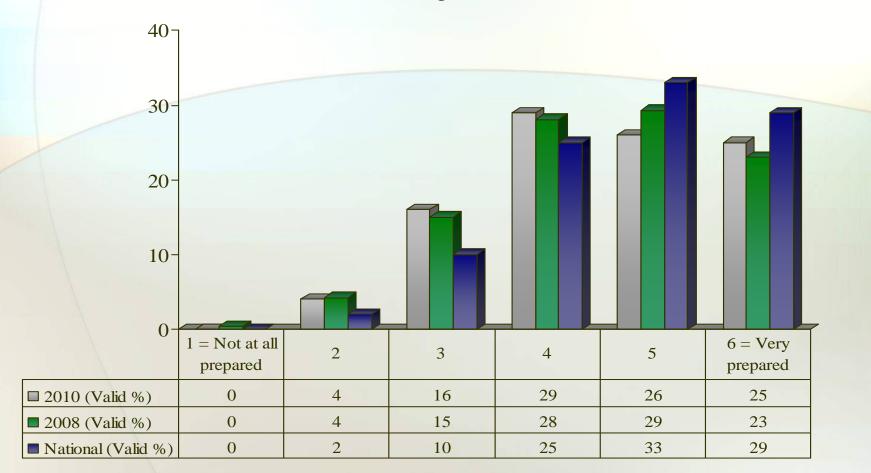


How prepared is the student to *work effectively with others* in his/her academic work at this college?





How prepared is the student to *learn effectively on his/her own* for academic work at this college?





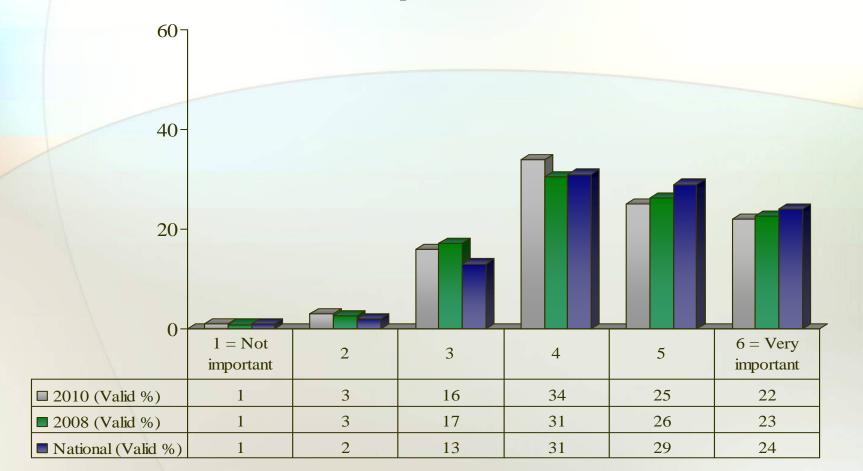




Importance of Campus Environment

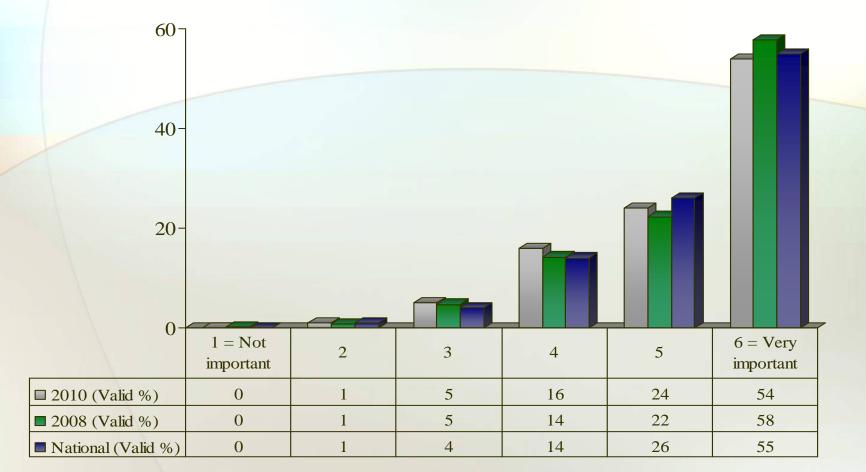


How important is it to the student that his/her university provide *a challenging academic experience*?



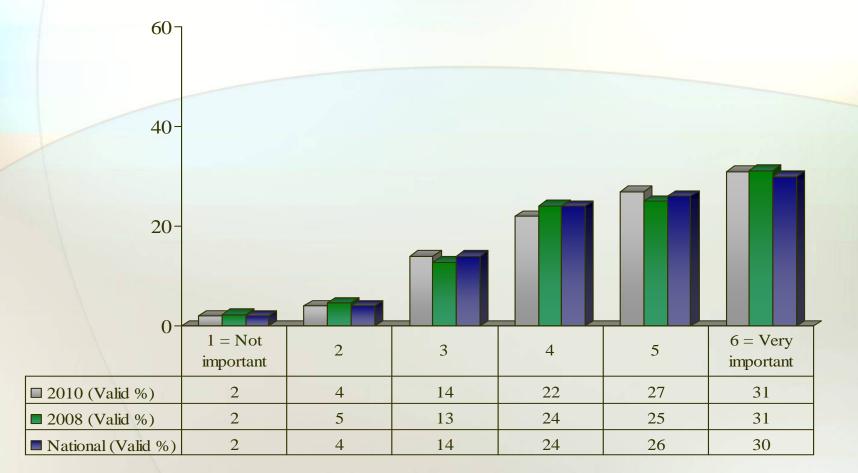


How important is it to the student that his/her university provide *support to help him/her succeed academically*?



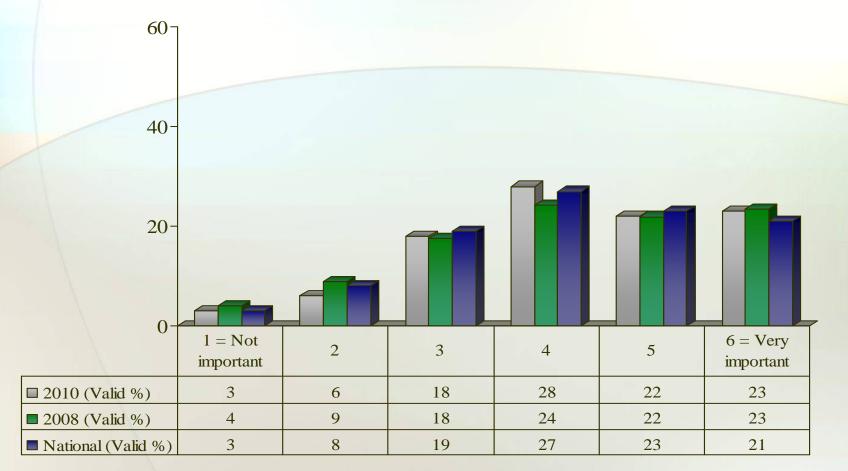


How important is it to the student that his/her university provide *opportunities to interact* with students from different economic, social, and racial or ethnic backgrounds?



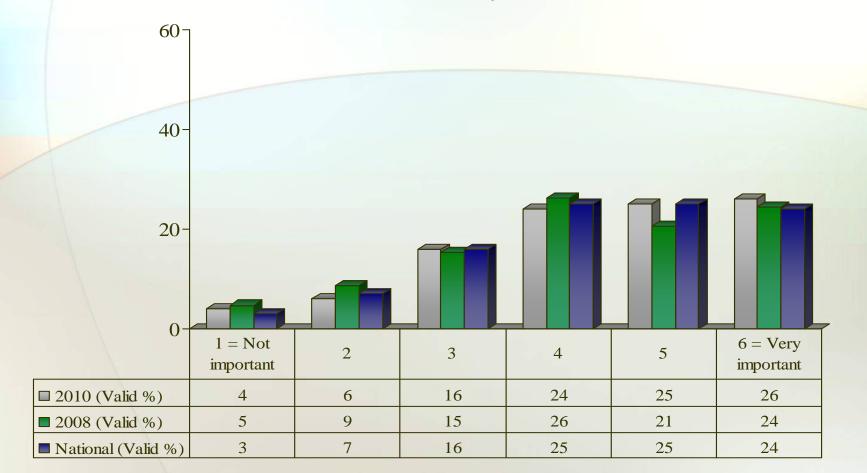


How important is it to the student that his/her university provide assistance coping with non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)?



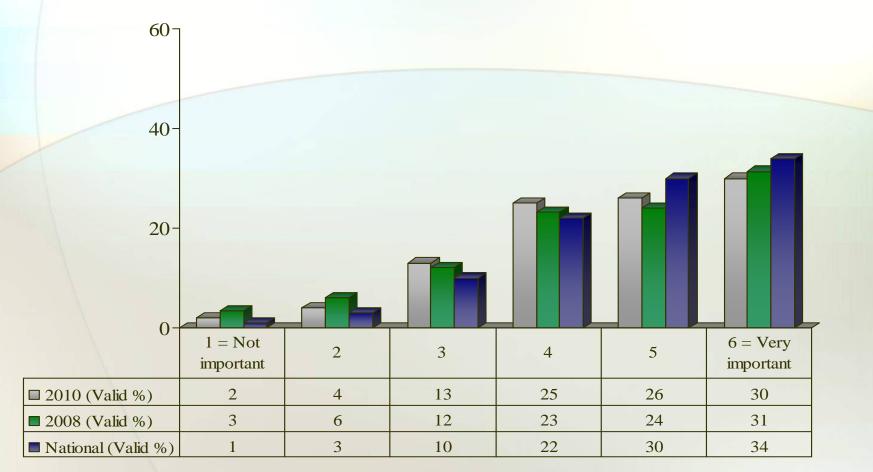


How important is it to the student that his/her university provide *support to help him/her thrive socially*?



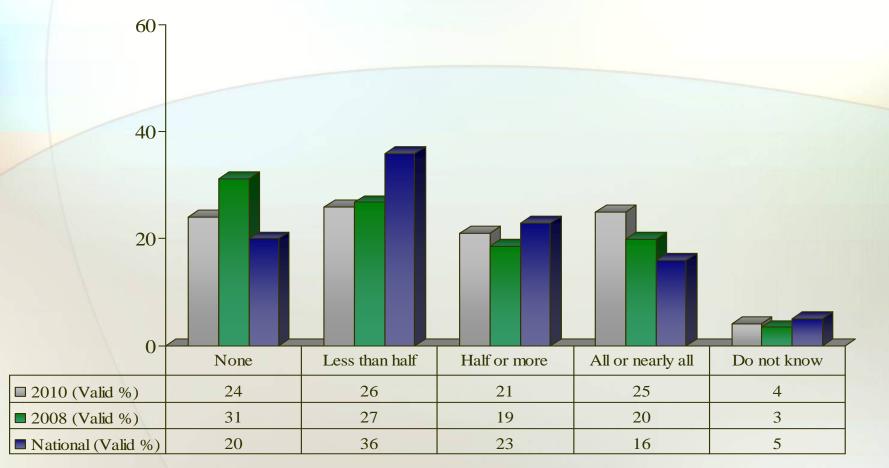


How important is it to the student that his/her university provide *opportunities to attend campus events and activities*?



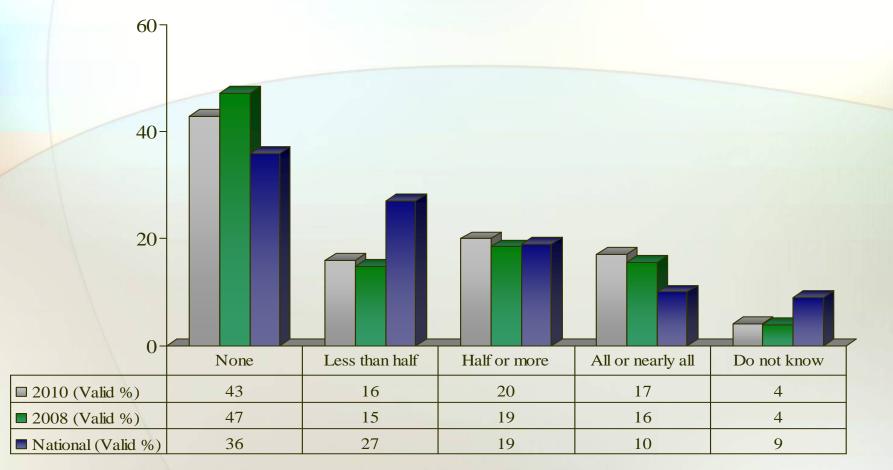


About how much of student's college expenses (tuition, fees, books, room and board) this year will be provided by *scholarships and grants*?



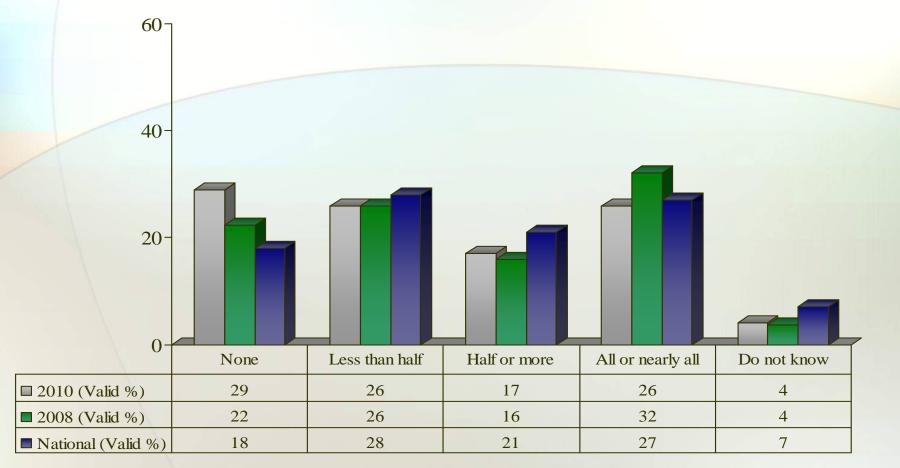


About how much of student's college expenses (tuition, fees, books, room and board) this year will be provided by *student loans*?



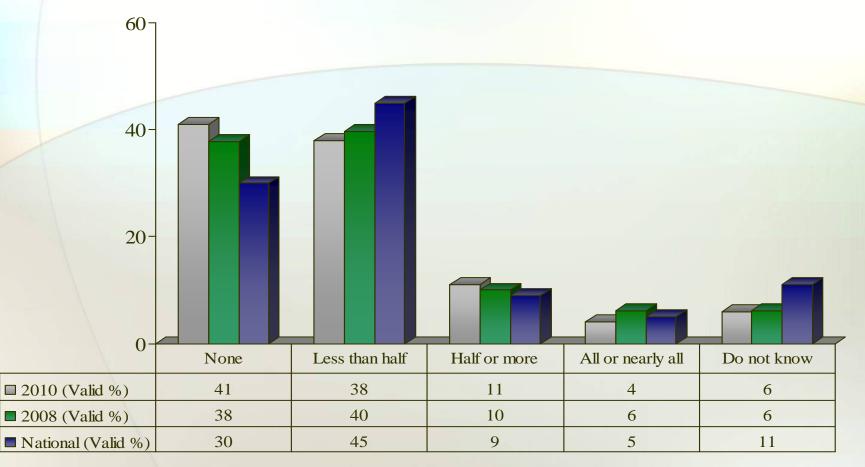


About how much of student's college expenses (tuition, fees, books, room and board) this year will be provided by *parents/family*?





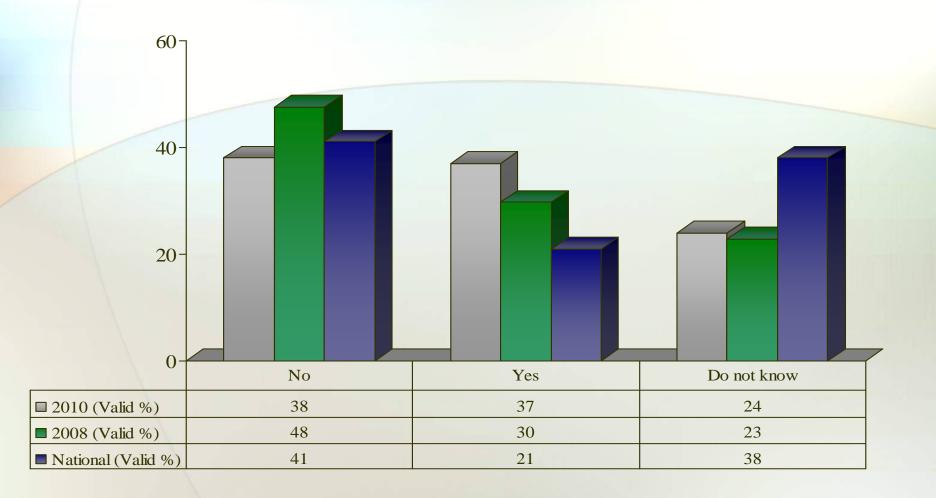
About how much of student's college expenses (tuition, fees, books, room and board) this year will be provided by *self (work on-campus or off-campus, savings)*?





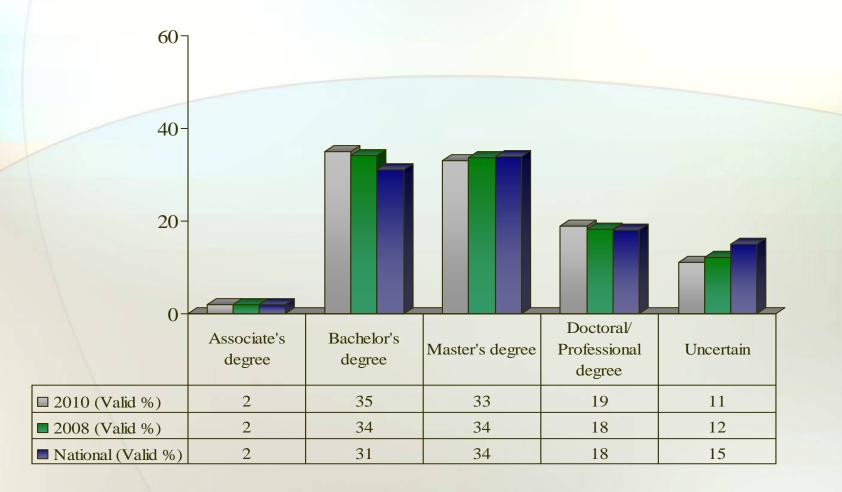


Did the student receive a Federal Pell Grant?





What is the highest academic degree the student intends to obtain at this <u>or any</u> college?







Findings:

Statistical Significance Between Groups





Statistically Significant findings on BCSSE Scales, by Group (First Generation)

First Generation is defined as no parent or guardian with a 4 year college degree

	High School Academic Engagement*	Expected Academic Engagement*	Expected Academic Perseverance**	Expected Academic Difficulty***	Perceived Academic Preparation	Importance of Campus Environment ***
Overall	4.92	5.88	7.15	4.91	6.63	7.19
X						
First Generation	4.85	5.99	7.31	5.05	6.57	7.39
Not First						
Generation	5.03	5.77	7.01	4.72	6.77	7.02

Index: Possible score 0 – 10





Statistically Significant findings by Group (First Generation)

	Not First Gen (Average)	First Gen (Average)	P-value
Did student earn a passing grade in: Algebra II	96% Passed	98% Passed	*
Did student earn a passing grade in: Probability/Stats	15% Passed	9% Passed	**
During HIGH SCHOOL, how many <u>years</u> : English/Literature	3.95	4.00	*
During LAST YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL, how much reading and writing: Assigned	3.51	3.35	**
reading (textbooks or other course materials)	Scale 1 -5 (1 = Noi	(1 = None, 5 = Very much)	
During LAST YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL, how many HOURS in typical week:	3.00	2.70	
Preparing for class (studying, doing homework, rehearsing, etc.)	6 - 10 Hours per Week	1 - 5 Hours per Week	
During LAST YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL, how many HOURS in typical week:	4.15	3.91	*
Relaxing and socializing (watching TV, partying, etc.)	11 – 15 Hours per Week	6 - 10 Hours per Week	
During LAST YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL, how often you: Discussed ideas from your	2.42	2.30	*
readings or classes with others outside of class (students, family members, etc.)	Scale 1 -4 (1 = New	Scale 1 -4 $(1 = Never, 4 = Very often)$	
During LAST YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL, how often you: Talked with a counselor,	2.53	2.71	***
teacher, or other staff member about college or career plans	Scale 1 -4 (1 = New	ver, 4 = Very often)	
SAT Composite Score(variable SAT/ACT into categories)	3.02	2.48	***
	Score Range 1001 -1100	Score Range 901 - 1000	
During HIGH SCHOOL YEARS, how involved in: Religious youth groups	2.39	2.15	*
	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not involved, 6 = Highly involved)		





Statistically Significant findings by Group (First Generation)

	Not First Gen (Average)	First Gen (Average)	P-value
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how many HOURS in typical week: Working	3.03	3.44	***
for pay on- or off-campus	6 - 10 Hours per Week	6 - 10 Hours per Week	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how many HOURS in typical week: Relaxing			***
and socializing (watching TV, partying, etc.)	6 - 10 Hours per Week	6 - 10 Hours per Week	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how often expect to: Ask questions in class or	2.87	2.96	*
contribute to class discussions	Scale 1 -4 (1 = New	ver, $4 = Very often)$	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how often expect to: Work on a paper or	3.21	3.32	**
project that requires integrating ideas or information from various sources	<i>Scale 1 -4 (1 = Never, 4 = Very often)</i>		
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how often expect to: Put together ideas or	2.99	3.10	**
concepts from different courses when completing assignments or during class discussions	Scale 1 -4 (1 = New	1 - 4 (1 = Never, 4 = Very often)	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how often expect to: Discuss grades or	2.78	2.87	*
assignments with an instructor	Scale 1 -4 (1 = New	ver, 4 = Very often)	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how often expect to: Discuss ideas from your	2.47	2.57	*
readings or classes with faculty members outside of class	Scale 1 -4 (1 = New	ver, 4 = Very often)	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how often expect to: Receive prompt feedback	2.67	2.80	**
from faculty on your academic performance (written or oral)	Scale 1 -4 (1 = Never, 4 = Very often)		
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how often expect to: Work with faculty	2.33	2.43	
members on activities other than coursework (committees, orientation, student life activities, etc.)	Scale 1 -4 (1 = Nev	ver, 4 = Very often)	*





Statistically Significant findings by Group (First Generation)

	Not First Gen (Average)	First Gen (Average)	P-value
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how often expect to: Discuss ideas from your	2.74	2.85	
readings or classes with others outside of class (students, family members, co- workers, etc.)	Scale 1 -4 (1 = Nev	ver, 4 = Very often)	*
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how often expect to: Learn something that	3.02	3.17	***
changes the way you understand an issue or idea	Scale 1 -4 (1 = Nev	ver, 4 = Very often)	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how certain that you will: Study when there are	4.20	4.34	*
other interesting things to do	Scale 1 -6 $(1 = Not at all)$	certain, 6 = Very certain)	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how certain that you will: Find additional	4.61	4.79	**
information for course assignments when you don't understand the material	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not at all certain, 6 = Very certain)		
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how certain that you will: Participate regularly	4.04	4.19	*
in course discussions, even when you don't feel like it	Scale 1 -6 $(1 = Not at all)$	Not at all certain, $6 = Very certain$)	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how certain that you will: Ask instructors for	4.66	4.83	*
help when you struggle with course assignments	Scale 1 -6 ($1 = Not$ at all	certain, 6 = Very certain)	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how certain that you will: Stay positive, even	4.64	4.82	*
when you do poorly on a test or assignment	Scale 1 -6 $(1 = Not at all)$	certain, 6 = Very certain)	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how difficult you expect: Learning course	3.67	3.91	
material	Scale 1 -6 ($1 = Not$ at all a	lifficult, 6 = Very difficult)	***
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how difficult you expect: Paying college	3.39	3.86	
expenses	Scale 1 -6 ($1 = Not$ at all a	lifficult, 6 = Very difficult)	***





Statistically Significant findings by Group (First Generation)

	Not First Gen (Average)	First Gen (Average)	P-value
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how difficult you expect: Getting help with	2.91	3.07	*
school work	Scale 1 -6 $(1 = Not at all c$	lifficult, 6 = Very difficult)	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how difficult you expect: Interacting with	2.84	2.99	*
faculty	Scale 1 -6 ($1 = Not$ at all difficult, $6 = Very$ difficult)		
How prepared are you to do the following in your work: Think critically and	4.42	4.19	***
analytically	Scale 1 -6 ($1 = Not$ at all pr	repared, 6 = Very prepared)	
How prepared are you to do the following in your work: Analyze math or quantitative	3.98	3.78	*
problems	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not at all prepared, 6 = Very prepared)		
How important that college provides: Support to help you succeed academically	5.19	5.35	**
	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not important, 6 = Very important)		
How important that college provides: Opportunities to interact with students from	4.50	4.75	***
different economic, social, and racial or ethnic backgrounds	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not impor	4.75	
How important that college provides: Assistance coping with your non-academic	4.16	4.44	***
responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not impor	rtant, 6 = Very important)	10 miles 40
How important that college provides: Support to help you thrive socially	4.29	4.51	**
	Scale 1 -6 ($1 = Not$ important, $6 = Very$ important)		
What do you expect most of your grades will be at this college during the coming	6.34	6.01	***
year?	B+	B+	





Statistically Significant findings on BCSSE Scales, by Group (Gender)

	High School Academic Engagement***	Expected Academic Engagement	Expected Academic Perseverance***	Expected Academic Difficulty	Perceived Academic Preparation*	Importance of Campus Environment***
Overall	4.92	5.88	7.15	4.91	6.63	7.19
Male	4.69	5.80	6.86	4.82	6.50	6.94
Female	5.06	5.93	7.35	4.97	6.73	7.37

Index: Possible score 0 – 10





Statistically Significant Findings by Group (Gender)

	Male (Average)	Female (Average)	P-value
What were most of your high school grades?	6.07	6.35	***
	<i>B</i> +	B+	1
Did student earn a passing grade in: Calculus	21% Passed	13% Passed	***
During HIGH SCHOOL, how many years: Foreign language	2.49	2.61	**
During HIGH SCHOOL, how many CLASSES: College courses for credit	0.95	1.30	***
During LAST YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL, how much reading and writing: Assigned	3.31	3.50	***
reading (textbooks or other course materials)	Scale 1 -5 (1 = No	Scale 1 -5 (1 = None, 5 = Very much)	
During LAST YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL, how much reading and writing: Books read on	2.63	3.08	***
your own (not assigned) for personal enjoyment and enrichment	Scale 1 -5 (1 = No	Scale 1 -5 ($1 = None$, $5 = Very much$)	
During LAST YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL, how much reading and writing: Writing short	3.61	3.82	***
papers or reports (5 OR FEWER PAGES)	Scale 1 -5 (1 = No	ne, 5 = Very much)	
During LAST YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL, how much reading and writing: Writing longer	2.59	2.78	**
papers or reports (MORE THAN 5 PAGES)	Scale 1 -5 $(1 = None, 5 = Very much)$		
During LAST YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL, how many HOURS in typical week: Relaxing	4.50	3.71	***
and socializing (watching TV, partying, etc.)	11 - 15 Hours per Week	6 - 10 Hours per Week	
During LAST YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL, how often you: Asked questions in class or	2.88	2.99	*
contributed to class discussions	Scale 1 -4 (1 = Ne	ver, 4 = Very often)	





Statistically Significant Findings by Group (Gender)

	Male (Average)	Female (Average)	P-value	
During LAST YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL, how often you: Came to class without	2.02	1.81	***	
completing readings or assignments	Scale $1 - 4(1 = Nev)$	ver, 4 = Very often)	1	
During LAST YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL, how often you: Prepared two or more drafts of a	2.16 2.46 Scale 1 -4(1 = Never, 4 = Very often)		***	
paper or assignment before turning it in				
During LAST YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL, how often you: Discussed ideas from your	2.24	2.42	***	
readings or classes with others outside of class (students, family members, etc.)	Scale $1 - 4(1 = New$	ver, $4 = Very often$)	***	
During LAST YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL, how often you: Talked with a counselor, teacher	2.24	2.42	***	
or other staff member about college or career plans	Scale $1 - 4(1 = Nev)$	Scale $1 - 4(1 = Never, 4 = Very often)$		
SAT Composite Score(variable SAT/ACT into categories)	2.90	2.55	***	
	Score Range 901 - 1000	Score Range 901 - 1000		
During HIGH SCHOOL YEARS, how involved in: Performing or visual arts programs	2.51	3.17	***	
(band, chorus, theater, art, etc.)	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not invol	er, $4 = Very often$) 2.46 er, $4 = Very often$) 2.42 er, $4 = Very often$) 2.42 er, $4 = Very often$) 2.55 Score Range 901 - 1000 3.17 red, $6 = Highly involved$) 3.67 red, $6 = Highly involved$) 1.83 red, $6 = Highly involved$) 1.83		
During HIGH SCHOOL YEARS, how involved in: Athletic teams (varsity, junior varsity,	4.31	3.67	***	
club sport, etc.)	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not invol	ved, 6 = Highly involved)		
During HIGH SCHOOL YEARS, how involved in: Student government	1.62	1.83	**	
	Scale 1 -6 ($1 = Not$ involved, $6 = Highly$ involved)			
During HIGH SCHOOL YEARS, how involved in: Publications (student newspaper,	1.59	1.87	***	
yearbook, etc.)	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not invol	ved, 6 = Highly involved)		





Statistically Significant Findings by Group (Gender)

	Male (Average)	Female (Average)	P-value
During HIGH SCHOOL YEARS, how involved in: Academic honor societies	2.04	2.53	***
	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not invol	ale 1 -6 (1 = Not involved, 6 = Highly involved)	
During HIGH SCHOOL YEARS, how involved in: Academic clubs (debate, mathematics,	1.74	1.93	*
science)	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not involved, 6 = Highly involved)		
During HIGH SCHOOL YEARS, how involved in: Vocational clubs (business, health,	1.64	2.05	***
technology, etc.)	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not invol	lved, 6 = Highly involved)	
During HIGH SCHOOL YEARS, how involved in: Religious youth groups	2.10	2.32	*
	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not involved, 6 = Highly involved)		
During HIGH SCHOOL YEARS, how involved in: Community service or volunteer work	2.99	3.79	***
	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not involved, 6 = Highly involved)		
Overall, how academically challenging was your high school?	3.17	3.51	***
	Scale 1 -6 ($1 = Not$ at all challenging, $6 = Extremely$ challenging)		
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how many HOURS in typical week: Working for pay	3.40	3.14	*
on- or off- campus	6 - 10 Hours per Week	6 - 10 Hours per Week	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how many HOURS in typical week: Participating in	3.07	2.87	*
o-curricular activities (organizations, campus publication, student government, etc.)	6 - 10 Hours per Week	1 - 5 Hours per Week	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how many HOURS in typical week: Relaxing and	3.76	3.14	
socializing (watching TV, partying, etc.)	6 - 10 Hours per Week	6 - 10 Hours per Week	***





Statistically Significant Findings by Group (Gender)

	Male (Average)	Female (Average)	P-value
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how often expect to: Work on a paper or project that	3.13	3.36	***
requires integrating ideas or information from various sources	Scale 1 -4(1 = Nev	ver, 4 = Very often)	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how often expect to: Put together ideas or concepts from	2.97	3.10	**
different courses when completing assignments or during class discussions	Scale 1 -4($1 = Never$, $4 = Very often$)		
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how often expect to: Discuss ideas from your readings or	2.69	2.85	***
classes with others outside of class (students, family members, co-workers, etc.)	Scale $1 - 4(1 = Nev)$	er, 4 = Very Often)	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how often expect to: Try to better understand someone	2.93	3.15	***
else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective	Scale 1 -4(1 = Never, 4 = Very Often)		
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how often expect to: Learn something that changes the way you understand an issue or idea	2.95	3.21	***
	Scale $1 - 4(1 = Never, 4 = Very Often)$		
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how often expect to: Have serious conversations with	2.75	2.85	
students who are very different from you in terms of their religious beliefs, political opinions, or personal values	Scale 1 -4(1 = Nev	er, 4 = Very Often)	*
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how certain that you will: Study when there are other	4.14	4.35	***
interesting things to do	Scale 1 -6 ($1 = Not$ at all certain, $6 = Very$ certain)		24 74 74
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how certain that you will: Find additional information for	4.48	4.84	***
course assignments when you don't understand the material	Scale 1 -6 ($1 = Not$ at all certain, $6 = Very$ certain)		
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how certain that you will: Participate regularly in course	3.99	4.20	
discussions, even when you don't feel like it	Scale 1 -6 ($1 = Not$ at all certain, $6 = Very$ certain)		**





Statistically Significant Findings by Group (Gender)

	Male (Average)	Female (Average)	P-value	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how certain that you will: Ask instructors for help when	4.55	4.89	***	
you struggle with course assignments	Scale 1 -6 ($1 = Not$ at all of	certain, 6 = Very certain)	- ***	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how certain that you will: Finish something you have	4.79	4.99		
started when you encounter challenges	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not at all certain, 6 = Very certain)		- **	
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how certain that you will: Stay positive, even when you	4.63	4.78	*	
do poorly on a test or assignment	Scale 1 -6 ($1 = Not$ at all of	certain, 6 = Very certain)		
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how difficult you expect: Learning course material	3.65	3.91	***	
	Scale 1 -6 ($1 = Not$ at all difficult, $6 = Very$ difficult)			
During COMING SCHOOL YEAR, how difficult you expect: Paying college expenses	3.50	3.74	*	
	Scale 1 -6 ($1 = Not$ at all difficult, $6 = Very$ difficult)			
How prepared are you to do the following in your work: Write clearly and effectively	3.92	4.31	***	
	Scale 1 -6 ($1 = Not$ at all pre-	epared, 6 = Very prepared)		
How prepared are you to do the following in your work: Work effectively with others	4.69	4.92	***	
	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not at all prepared, 6 = Very prepared)			
How important that college provides: A challenging academic experience	4.35	4.49	*	
	Scale 1 -6 ($1 = Not$ important, $6 = Very$ important)			
How important that college provides: Support to help you succeed academically	5.05	5.38	***	
	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not import	tant, 6 = Very important)		





Statistically Significant Findings by Group (Gender)

	Male (Average)	Female (Average)	P-value
How important that college provides: Opportunities to interact with students from different	4.46	4.74	***
economic, social, and racial or ethnic backgrounds	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not importe	ant, $6 = Very$ important)	
How important that college provides: Assistance coping with your non-academic	4.18	4.38	**
responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not imported	ant, $6 = Very important$)	
How important that college provides: Support to help you thrive socially	4.06	4.35	**
	Scale 1 -6 (1 = Not importe	ant, $6 = Very important$)	





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