

# TABLE 10

## Comparison of ISU Entering Freshmen to Entering Freshmen Nationwide Fall 1997

	<u>ISU</u>	<u>NAT'L</u>		<u>ISU</u>	<u>NAT'L</u>		<u>ISU</u>	<u>NAT'L</u>
<b>Racial and Ethnic Background</b>			<b>Father's Educational Attainment</b>			<b>Highest Academic Degree Planned</b>		
American Indian	1%	3.1%	Grammar School or Less	1.5%	3.5%	None	0.5%	0.8%
African American	10%	10.6%	Some High School	4.9%	6.0%	Associate's Degree	4.8%	4.9%
Caucasian	86%	80.7%	High School Graduate or Higher	41.5%	27.0%	Bachelor's Degree	43.7%	25.0%
Asian American	1%	2.0%	Some College	16.6%	14.9%	Master's Degree	37.0%	39.4%
Spanish American	1%	4.2%	College Degree or Higher	23.8%	26.9%	Doctoral Degree	6.3%	15.3%
Other/Unknown	10%	6.2%	Graduate Degree	11.7%	17.2%	Medical Degree	4.3%	8.1%
						Law Degree	3.4%	3.4%
						Other		3.1%
<b>Average Grade in High School</b>			<b>Mother's Educational Attainment</b>			<b>Estimated Parental Income</b>		
A+, A or A-	9.8%	31.6%	Grammar School or Less	0.9%	2.9%	Less Than \$25,000	21%	18.6%
B+	29.9%	19.1%	Some High School	5.4%	4.9%	\$25,001 - \$40,000	26%	16.7%
B	20.1%	23.4%	High School Graduate or Higher	41.0%	35.2%	\$40,001 - \$60,000	31%	23.1%
B-	21.1%	11.4%	Some College	17.8%	16.8%	Over \$60,001	22%	41.4%
C+	13.8%	9.0%	College Degree or Higher	24.1%	28.1%			
C	4.9%	5.1%	Graduate Degree	10.8%	12.2%			
D	0.4%	0.4%						
			<b>Students Estimate Chances are Very Good That They Will...</b>			<b>Six or More Hours Per Week During Senior Year Spent on These Activities</b>		
<b>Residence Planned During Fall Term</b>			Fail One or More Classes	0.8%	1.3%	Studying or Doing Homework	36.2%	33.9%
With Parents or Relatives	26.3%	28.0%	Graduate With Honors	12.4%	18.5%	Socializing With Friends	83.9%	77.3%
University Residence Hall	65.9%	62.1%	Be Employed Full-time During School Year	31.7%	6.2%	Partying	26.8%	31.4%
Fraternity House	0.2%	0.2%	Join a Fraternity or Sorority	20.3%	15.8%	Working for Pay	67.8%	63.4%
Other Off Campus Housing	7.6%	9.8%	Need Extra Time to Complete Degree	7.3%	7.3%	Doing Volunteer Work	6.5%	8.6%
			Drop Out Permanently	1.0%	0.8%			
<b>Miles From College to Home</b>			Transfer Before Graduating	6.4%	10.8%			
10 or Less	15.2%	16.8%	Be Satisfied With College	55.4%	47.6%			
11 to 50	25.5%	28.9%				<b>Reasons Noted as Being Very Important in Selecting College Attended</b>		
51 to 100	24.2%	15.3%	<b>College Attended is Student's:</b>			College's Academic Reputation	42.1%	53.9%
101 to 500	33.4%	29.1%	First Choice	75.1%	69.6%	Financial Aid Available	53.2%	33.8%
501 or More	1.8%	10.0%	Second Choice	24.0%	21.0%	Low Cost/Tuition	62.6%	30.1%
			Third Choice		5.7%	Close to Home	47.5%	21.1%
			Other		3.7%			

Note: ISU figures based on \_\_\_\_\_ students completing the Student Information Questionnaire (SIQ) during the New Student Orientation Programs (NSARP) in June, 1997.  
National figures based on survey responses of 252,082 freshmen entering 464 two-year and four-year institutions in the fall of 1997.  
Figures statistically adjusted to represent the total population of approximately 1.61 million first-time, full-time freshmen.

Sources: (1) Fall 1997 SIQ, Indiana State University and (2) 1997-98 Freshman Statistical Profile, The Chronicle of Higher Education