At the Fall 2010 census date, Cypress College enrolled 16,444 students. This is a decrease of 1.4% from last fall. However, 64 fewer sections were offered this fall yet each section served an average of one more student. Thus, even with a slight decline in enrollment we have increased our efficiency in instruction.

- The average Cypress student is 25 years old, yet more students are 19 years old than any other age. In fact, two out of three students were younger than 25. Our youngest student was 14 years old and our oldest was 82!

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<td>19 &amp; younger</td>
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<td>20-24</td>
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<td>30-39</td>
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<td>40-49</td>
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<td>50 &amp; older</td>
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- More than 65% of Cypress College students are from traditionally under-represented ethnic groups. The percentages of African Americans and Asians at Cypress College continue to be higher than the percentages of Orange County residents (2009 U.S. Census Population Estimates). Our Hispanic student population continues to grow, as well.

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<td>White</td>
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<td>Asian/Pacific Islander</td>
<td>19%</td>
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<td>Filipino</td>
<td>7%</td>
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<td>African American</td>
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<td>American Indian/Alaskan Native</td>
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- A large proportion of students (40%) indicated that they are among the first generation of their family to attend college. A quarter of our students had a parent attend college but never receive a diploma, and almost a quarter came from a family in which a parent had at least a Bachelor degree.

- Our students have a wide range of educational backgrounds. Almost 250 colleges/universities were identified as the last college of attendance for our students. Students with previous college experience represent transfers to Cypress College, students concurrently enrolled at several community colleges, or degree holders who are seeking re-training for new careers, upgrading of skills, or life-long learning. The colleges and universities include many California community colleges, with Fullerton, Cerritos, Long Beach, Golden West, and Orange Coast accounting for over 2,400 Cypress students. Almost 900 students previously attended a California State University, such as:
  - Fullerton (389)
  - Long Beach (253)
  - Pomona (59)
  - Los Angeles (37)
  - Dominguez Hills (28)

Over 270 Cypress students have attended UC campuses, including:
  - Irvine (109)
  - Riverside (57)
  - Los Angeles (42)
  - San Diego (36)
  - Santa Barbara (29)

The growing international student program has brought students to Cypress College with experience in colleges and universities from over 20 foreign countries.

- The majority of students enrolled at Cypress College are women (55%).

- Most students are U.S. citizens (88%) or permanent residents (8%).
Over half of our students (52%) come from cities within our service area, including:
- Anaheim (2,982)
- Buena Park (1,734)
- Cypress (1,543)
- Garden Grove (1,012)
- Stanton (428)

Slightly fewer than half of our students come from outside our service area, such as:
- Long Beach (818)
- Fullerton (659)
- Cerritos (605)
- Whittier (523)
- La Mirada (491)

Cypress College students enroll with a variety of goals, but transfer (with or without an associate degree) is the goal of 60% of our students. A significant portion of students also enroll without a clear goal (13%). Less than 2% attend Cypress for the following reasons: complete their GED, discover goals, educational development, update job skills, improve basic skills, or maintain a license.

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<td>Transfer with degree</td>
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<td>Transfer without degree</td>
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<td>Degree without transfer</td>
<td>11%</td>
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<td>Vocational degree/certificate</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<td>Prepare for new career</td>
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Cypress College students are studying over 365 different majors; the top majors this fall are:
- General Studies (3,326)
- Registered Nursing (1,476)
- Liberal Arts/Studies (1,153)
- Business Administration (697)
- Radiological Technology (383)

The majority of students enrolled at Cypress College attend part-time (65%).

Most students come to Cypress College from local public high schools. Our top feeder high schools include:
- Kennedy (805)
- Western (617)
- Cypress (556)
- Los Alamitos (517)
- Cerritos (489)
- Savanna (416)
- Loara (374)
- La Mirada (365)
- Pacifica (363)
- Buena Park (338)

Our students also come from private high schools, such as St. Joseph (89) or St. John Bosco (73), or high schools in foreign countries, such as Vietnam (51) and South Korea (37).

Did you know?
The Cypress College Institutional Research and Planning Office’s website provides reports on student and staff demographics, planning, institutional effectiveness, FTES and enrollments, accreditation, and other helpful links.

http://www.cypresscollege.edu/about/InstitutionalResearch/Information.aspx

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Institutional Research and Planning serves Cypress College by providing sound, action-oriented research in order to support institutional assessment, decision-making, and strategic planning. The research office strives to provide consistent and accurate information that will help decision-makers to act on behalf of students and the community to foster student success and institutional effectiveness.