

Description for the College Data Set

There are 1214 US colleges in the data set. Each college has 24 attributes, which are described as follows:

Name	Name of a college
Control	Private or Public
Region	Southeast, Mid-Atlantic, Great Lakes, Great Plains, Far West, New England, Southwest, Rocky Mountains or Outlying Areas
Locale	Large City, Large Suburb, Small City, Mid-size City, Distant Town, Remote Town, Fringe Town, Mid-size Suburb, Fringe Rural, Small Suburb, Distant Rural or Remote Rural
Admission Rate	Rate at which applicants are accepted (between 0 and 1)
ACT Median	Median of ACT scores of students in a college
SAT Average	Average of SAT scores of students in a college
Undergrad Population	Number of undergraduate students in a college
% White	Percentage of white students (between 0 and 1)
% Black	Percentage of black students (between 0 and 1)
% Hispanic	Percentage of Hispanic students (between 0 and 1)
% Asian	Percentage of Asian students (between 0 and 1)
% American Indian	Percentage of American Indian students (between 0 and 1)
Average Cost	Costs of attending a college, including tuition, room and board
Average Faculty Salary	Average faculty salary (in US dollars)
% Undergrads with Pell Grant	Percentage of undergraduate students who receive subsidies from the US government to pay for college (the subsidy is called pell grant) (between 0 and 1)
Completion Rate	Percentage of undergraduate students who finish their degree within 150% of the normal time to completion (between 0 and 1)
% Undergrads 25+ y.o.	Percentage of undergraduate students who are 25 years or older
3 Year Default Rate	Percentage of students who fail to repay their federal student loans (in %)
Median Debt	Median debt of undergraduate students (in US dollars)

Average Age of Entry	Average age of undergraduate student by the time they enrol in a college
Median Family Income	Median family income (in US dollars)
Poverty Rate	Percentage of poor students as defined by some poverty threshold (in %)
Median Earnings 8 years After Entry	Median earnings 8 years after entry (in US dollars)