State universities show gains

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Nearly 3.4 million students are enrolled in state and land-grant universities this academic year, according to the Office of Research and Information of the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges (NASULGC).

These students make up about 30 percent of the estimated 11.5 million students attending colleges and universities in this country.

Enrollment was up by one percent over last year, with women more than offsetting a slight decline by men. There are 1.78 million men and 1.55 million women enrolled in the state schools.

Undergraduate enrollment represents 76 percent of the total student body, and graduate students another 14 percent. Unclassified and professional schools compose the remainder.

The largest institutions by enrollment are State University of New York (SUNY), City University of New York (CUNY), the University of Wisconsin (UW), and the University of California (UCAL).

The largest campuses by enrollment are the University of Minnesota (UMinn) — Twin Cities, Ohio State University (OSU) — Columbus, Michigan State University (MSU) — East Lansing, and the University of Texas (UTEX) — Austin.

The top four four ranked by undergraduate enrollment are exactly the same in both categories. By graduate enrollment, the largest schools are SUNY, UCAL, UWs and the University of North Carolina (UNC). The largest campuses are University of Michigan — Ann Arbor, UMass — Twin Cities, MSU — East Lansing and OSU — Columbus.

Among women, the largest schools are SUNY, CUNY, UWs and UCAL. The largest campuses are UMass — Twin Cities, MSU — East Lansing, OSU — Columbus, and UTEX — Austin.

The University of Massachussets (UMASS) is a medium size state school, with total enrollment of about 33,000, only 8,000 of whom attend the Boston campus. By comparison, SUNY boasts some 348,000 students — more than ten times as many as UMass.

TOTAL ENROLLMENT FALL 1977

LARGEST INSTITUTIONS
State University of New York ........ 347,809
City University of New York ........ 184,058
University of Wisconsin System .... 146,328
University of California ............ 126,505
University of North Carolina ....... 111,197
University of Texas System ......... 81,062
University of Minnesota ............ 77,215
Indiana University .................. 72,377
University of Maryland ............. 61,312
University of Illinois ................ 60,569

LARGEST CAMPUSES
Univ. of Minnesota, Twin Cities .... 64,629
Ohio State University, Columbus ... 51,002
Michigan State Univ., East Lansing .. 47,383
University of Texas, Austin .......... 41,660
Univ. of Wisconsin, Madison ....... 39,022
Univ. of Maryland, College Park .... 37,866
Univ. of Washington, Seattle ....... 37,765
Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor ....... 36,740
Temple University, Philadelphia .... 36,339
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