

Table 10: College Level Characteristics

This table reports selected college characteristics, drawing primarily on data from the Department of Education’s (DOE) IPEDS database in 2000 and 2013 and the College Scorecard. Detailed descriptions for some variables are provided in the appendix of the paper.

There is one observation per super_opeid (college or college group). In cases where there are multiple colleges grouped within a super_opeid (super_opeid<1000), we report enrollment-weighted means of the underlying values for each of the colleges in that group, except for location and tier variables, where we report data for the largest college with the group of colleges.

Variable	Description
super_opeid	Institution OPEID / Cluster ID when combining multiple OPEIDs
name	Name of Institution / Super-OPEID Cluster
region	Census region 1 = Northeast 2 = Midwest 3 = South 4 = West
state	State
fips	State FIPS code
cz	Commuting Zone ID
czname	Commuting Zone name
cfips	Combined state and county FIPS code
county	County name
zip	5-digit ZIP Code
tier	Selectivity and type combination (defined above): 1 = Ivy Plus 2 = Other elite schools (public and private) 3 = Highly selective public 4 = Highly selective private 5 = Selective public 6 = Selective private 7 = Nonselective 4-year public 8 = Nonselective 4-year private not-for-profit 9 = Two-year (public and private not-for-profit) 10 = Four-year for-profit 11 = Two-year for-profit 12 = Less than two year schools of any type 13 = Attending college with insufficient data 14 = Not in college between the ages of 19-22
tier_name	Name of college tier
type	Type : 1 = public 2 = private non-profit

	3 = for-profit
iclevel	College's level of degree offering: 1 = Four-year 2 = Two-year 3 = Less than Two-year
public	Indicator for public universities
barrons	Barron's selectivity index: 1 = Elite 2 = Highly Selective 3, 4, 5 = Selective 9 = Special 999 = Non-selective
exp_instr_pc_[YEAR]	Instructional Expenditures per Student in [YEAR] = 2000, 2013
multi	Indicator that equals 1 if multiple colleges (OPEIDs) are grouped in this super OPEID
hbcu	Indicator that equals 1 if historically black college/univ.
ipeds_enrollment_[YEAR]	Total IPEDS undergraduate enrollment (full time + part time) in Fall [YEAR] = 2000, 2013
sticker_price_[YEAR]	Average Annual Cost of Attendance (Tuition + Fees) in [YEAR] = 2000, 2013
grad_rate_150_p_[YEAR]	Percentage of students graduating within 150 percent of normal time at four-year and two-year institutions in [YEAR] = 2002, 2013
avgfacsal_[YEAR]	Avg. Faculty Salary in [YEAR] = 2001, 2013
sat_avg_[YEAR]	Average SAT scores (scaled to 1600) in [YEAR] = 2001, 2013, defined as the mean of the 25 th and 75 th percentile of math+verbal SAT scores. Missing for institutions that do not require SAT.
scorecard_netprice_2013	Net Cost of Attendance for Bottom 20% Income Quintile in 2013 from College Scorecard
scorecard_rej_rate_2013	Rejection (one minus acceptance) rate in 2013 from College Scorecard
scorecard_median_earnings_2011	Median earnings of students in 2011 who are working and not enrolled 10 years after entry using data from College Scorecard
endowment_pc_2000	Endowment Assets per Student in 2000
exp_instr_[YEAR]	Total Instructional Expenditures in [YEAR]=2000, 2012
asian_or_pacific_share_fall_2000	Share of Asian or Pacific Islander undergraduate students in Fall 2000
black_share_fall_2000	Share of Black undergraduate students in Fall 2000
hisp_share_fall_2000	Share of Hispanic undergraduate students in Fall 2000
alien_share_fall_2000	Share of Non-resident alien undergraduate students in Fall 2000
pct_arthuman_2000	Arts and Humanities Major Share in 2000
pct_business_2000	Business Major Share in 2000

pct_health_2000	Health and Medicine Major Share in 2000
pct_multidisci_2000	Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies Major Share in 2000
pct_publicsocial_2000	Public and Social Services Major Share in 2000
pct_stem_2000	STEM Major Share in 2000
pct_socialscience_2000	Social Sciences Major Share in 2000
pct_tradepersonal_2000	Trades and Personal Services Major Share in 2000