

Published Charges by Sector and by Carnegie Classification, 2018-19

The average published tuition and fee price for full-time in-state students at public four-year colleges and universities is \$10,230 in 2018-19, \$250 (2.5% before adjusting for inflation) higher than it was in 2017-18.

TABLE 1 Average Published Charges (Enrollment-Weighted) for Full-Time Undergraduates, 2017-18 and 2018-19

	Sector					Carnegie Classification					
	Public Two-Year In-District	Public Four-Year In-State	Public Four-Year Out-of-State	Private Nonprofit Four-Year	For-Profit	Public Four-Year			Private Nonprofit Four-Year		
						Doctoral	Master's	Bachelor's	Doctoral	Master's	Bachelor's
Tuition and Fees											
2018-19	\$3,660	\$10,230	\$26,290	\$35,830	—	\$11,120	\$8,850	\$8,600	\$44,020	\$30,450	\$34,920
2017-18	\$3,560	\$9,980	\$25,670	\$34,700	\$14,000	\$10,860	\$8,620	\$8,280	\$42,390	\$29,590	\$33,840
\$ Change	\$100	\$250	\$620	\$1,130	—	\$260	\$230	\$320	\$1,630	\$860	\$1,080
% Change	2.8%	2.5%	2.4%	3.3%	—	2.4%	2.7%	3.9%	3.8%	2.9%	3.2%
Room and Board											
2018-19	\$8,660	\$11,140	\$11,140	\$12,680	—	\$11,630	\$10,230	\$10,480	\$14,430	\$11,930	\$11,760
2017-18	\$8,480	\$10,810	\$10,810	\$12,290	—	\$11,270	\$9,930	\$10,210	\$13,970	\$11,580	\$11,390
\$ Change	\$180	\$330	\$330	\$390	—	\$360	\$300	\$270	\$460	\$350	\$370
% Change	2.1%	3.1%	3.1%	3.2%	—	3.2%	3.0%	2.6%	3.3%	3.0%	3.2%
Tuition and Fees and Room and Board											
2018-19	\$12,320	\$21,370	\$37,430	\$48,510	—	\$22,750	\$19,080	\$19,080	\$58,450	\$42,380	\$46,680
2017-18	\$12,040	\$20,790	\$36,480	\$46,990	—	\$22,130	\$18,550	\$18,490	\$56,360	\$41,170	\$45,230
\$ Change	\$280	\$580	\$950	\$1,520	—	\$620	\$530	\$590	\$2,090	\$1,210	\$1,450
% Change	2.3%	2.8%	2.6%	3.2%	—	2.8%	2.9%	3.2%	3.7%	2.9%	3.2%

NOTES: Prices in Table 1 are not adjusted for inflation. Prices reported for 2017-18 have been revised to reflect the most recent information and may differ from those reported in *Trends in College Pricing 2017*. Public two-year room and board charges are based on commuter housing and food costs. Prices for the for-profit sector are from IPEDS and the latest available data are for 2017-18.

SOURCES: College Board, Annual Survey of Colleges; NCES, IPEDS Fall 2016 Enrollment data and IPEDS 2017 Institutional Characteristics data.

Enrollment-weighted tuition values represent the price charged by each institution weighted by the number of full-time undergraduate students enrolled in fall 2016. Public four-year in-state charges are weighted by total fall 2016 full-time undergraduate enrollment in each institution, including both in-state students and out-of-state students. Out-of-state tuition and fees are computed by adding the average in-state price to the out-of-state premium weighted by the number of full-time out-of-state undergraduate students enrolled at each institution. Room and board charges are weighted by the number of undergraduate students residing on campus for four-year institutions and by the number of commuter students for public two-year institutions.

- The 2018-19 increase in published tuition and fees was largest in the private nonprofit sector, where the average price increased by 3.3% (\$1,130) to \$35,830.
- Average public four-year tuition and fee prices range from \$8,600 at bachelor's colleges and \$8,850 at master's institutions to \$11,120 at doctoral universities. Average published prices for these types of institutions in the private nonprofit sector are \$34,920, \$30,450, and \$44,020, respectively.
- The \$14,000 average tuition and fee price for full-time students enrolled in for-profit institutions in 2017-18 was about four times as high as the average price at public two-year colleges and 1.4 times as high as the average in-state price at public four-year institutions that year.

ALSO IMPORTANT:

- The prices shown in Table 1 are published or sticker prices. In 2015-16, about three-quarters of full-time undergraduate students received grants that reduced the actual price of college (NPSAS, 2016). Average institutional grant aid is generally higher at higher-price institutions. In addition, many states and institutions grant tuition waivers to groups such as veterans, teachers, or dependents of employees.
- The prices shown in Table 1 are for one academic year. The total price of a college education depends on how long a student is enrolled before completing a degree. Many students spend more than four years earning a bachelor's degree and more than two years earning an associate degree.
- The prices shown in Table 1 are for full-time students. Prices for part-time students are typically less than those for full-time students.
- About 18% of full-time public two-year students are in California, which has the lowest tuition and fee price in that sector. Excluding California raises the average published price of public two-year colleges from \$3,660 to \$4,160.