
**CALIFORNIA STUDENT AID COMMISSION
2006-07 CAL GRANT PROGRAM RECIPIENTS**



Legislative Report Requirement
Section 8 of Senate Bill 1644 (Chapter 403, Statutes of 2000)

INTRODUCTION

Section 8 of Senate Bill 1644 (Chapter 403, Statutes of 2000) requires that the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) annually report to the Legislature and Governor on the number of Cal Grant applicants and new and continuing recipients each year. The data shall include at a minimum the following recipient information: educational level, grade point average, and segment of attendance.

The Commission is the state's principal provider of intersegmental statewide grant aid to postsecondary students. Founded in 1955 as the California State Scholarship Commission, the Commission's primary programmatic responsibilities include administration of the Cal Grant Program, the Chafee Grant Program and several targeted state scholarship and loan assumption programs. The Commission administers financial aid awareness and outreach programs, such as Cal-SOAP and Cash for College, in collaboration with business, private industry, and community-based organizations. The Commission is also the designated State guaranty agency responsible for the Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) Program which it administers through its auxiliary organization, EDFUND. The Commission maintains overall responsibility for the FFEL Program, financial aid program administration, policy leadership, program evaluation and information development and coordination.

The Commission consists of 15 appointed members. Eleven members are appointed by the Governor and represent segments of the State's higher education community, postsecondary education students, and the general public. In addition, the Speaker of the Assembly and the Senate Rules Committee each appoint two Commission members as representatives of the general public.

In its policy decision-making, the Commission receives advice and recommendations from its staff; its advisory committees, including the Grant Advisory Committee and the Loan Advisory Council; the EDFUND Board; and ad hoc committees comprised of individuals that represent colleges and universities, secondary schools, student groups, the business community, lending institutions, and various levels of government. The Commission's strong tradition of public participation stems from its commitment to continuous improvement and responsiveness in the development and delivery of its financial aid programs and services.

BACKGROUND

On September 11, 2000, Senate Bill 1644 (Chapter 403, Statutes of 2000), also known as the Ortiz-Pacheco-Poochigian-Vasconcellos Cal Grant Program, was signed into law. This historic bill changed the Cal Grant Program, which previously consisted of Cal Grant A awards, Cal Grant B awards, Cal Grant C awards, and Cal Grant T awards. Since the 2001-02 award year, the Cal Grant Program consists of the following components: High School Entitlement Cal Grant A and B awards, California Community College Transfer Entitlement Cal Grant A and B awards, Competitive Cal Grant A and B awards, and the existing Cal Grant C and T awards.

As with the original Cal Grant Program, Cal Grant A awards provide for full systemwide fees at the California State University and the University of California, as well as tuition support at qualifying independent California colleges and universities and private career colleges to eligible low- and middle-income students. Cal Grant B awards provide funds to eligible low-income disadvantaged students. For first-year students, Cal Grant B awards provide up to

\$1,551 for books and living expenses. Beginning with the recipient's second year of attendance, the Cal Grant B award also helps pay for tuition and fees at qualifying postsecondary institutions. For new and renewal recipients at the California State University and the University of California, the 2006-07 systemwide fees were \$2,520 and \$6,141, respectively. For new recipients at qualifying independent California colleges and universities and private career colleges, both the Cal Grant A and B awards provided up to a maximum tuition and fee grant of \$9,708. Renewal recipients at qualifying independent California colleges and universities and private career colleges continued to receive the same tuition and fee grant amount as when they were initially awarded.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applicants must meet multiple criteria to qualify. Submitting both the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the Cal Grant Grade Point Average (GPA) Verification Form by the statutory deadlines is the first step for students to be considered for a Cal Grant award. Of the approximately 648,300 students who were successful in completing this first step in the 2006-07 award year, nearly 430,200, or 66 percent, did not meet the financial and basic eligibility criteria. The basic eligibility criteria that students failed to meet include not being a California resident, not listing a qualifying Cal Grant college or university, and having already graduated with a bachelor's degree.

In addition to meeting financial and basic eligibility criteria, there are academic and other requirements specific to each component as indicated below.

High School Entitlement Cal Grant A and B Awards

The 2006-07 new High School Entitlement Cal Grant A and B awards were guaranteed to students who graduated from high school in 2004-05 or 2005-06. The High School Entitlement Cal Grant A and B awards required a minimum 3.0 and 2.0 GPA, respectively.

California Community College Transfer Entitlement Cal Grant A and B Awards

The 2006-07 new California Community College Transfer Entitlement (Transfer Entitlement) Cal Grant A and B awards were guaranteed to every student who graduated from a California high school or its equivalent after June 30, 2000, was a California resident at the time of high school graduation, transferred to a qualifying baccalaureate-degree granting institution from a California Community College during the award year, was under the age of 24 at the time of the transfer, and had a minimum California Community College GPA of 2.4.

Competitive Cal Grant A and B Awards

The 2006-07 new Competitive Cal Grant A and B awards were available to California students who did not meet the eligibility criteria for a new High School or Transfer Entitlement Cal Grant award. The Competitive Cal Grant A and B awards required a minimum 3.0 and 2.0 GPA, respectively. Eligible applicants competed for the 22,500 Competitive Cal Grant awards. Half of these awards (11,250) were offered to those applicants who met the March 2 deadline. The remaining 11,250 awards were offered to students who enrolled at a California Community College and met the September 2 deadline.

Pre-SB 1644 (Chapter 403, Statutes of 2000) Cal Grant A and B Awards

The Commission continued to phase out the Cal Grant A and B awards offered prior to the 2001-02 award year. There were 1,591 renewal recipients in 2006-07.

Cal Grant C Awards

The 2006-07 new Cal Grant C awards were available to low- and middle-income students receiving occupational or technical training in a course that was at least four months long. Eligible applicants who completed and returned a Cal Grant C Supplement competed for 7,761 Cal Grant C awards. For new and renewal recipients, the tuition and fee award was up to \$2,592 and the allowance for training-related costs (such as: books, tools and equipment) was \$576.

Cal Grant T Awards

The Cal Grant T awards were designed to help post-baccalaureate students pursue their initial California teaching credential. Funding for new Cal Grant T awards has not been authorized since 2002-03. There were 2 renewal recipients in 2006-07.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS AND RECIPIENTS

In the 2006-07 award year, of the approximately 648,300 students who applied for a new Cal Grant, about 218,100, or 34 percent, qualified for a Cal Grant award. Of the 218,100 qualified applicants, 102,094 were offered a Cal Grant award. The following tables summarize the 2006-07 new and continuing Cal Grant recipients eligible to receive payment. These statistics do not reflect the actual number of recipients who ultimately used their Cal Grant (received payment) to attend college.

Note: This report as well as other reports produced by the Commission can be viewed on the Commission's Website at www.csac.ca.gov.

ACRONYMS

These acronyms are used in the following tables:

CCC	California Community Colleges
CSU	California State University
ICU	Independent Colleges and Universities
PCC	Private Career Colleges
UC	University of California

NOTES

TABLE 2	Other consists of Pre-SB 1644 and Cal Grant T renewal awards.
TABLE 4	Cal Grant C applicants are not required to submit a GPA.
TABLE 5	The educational level is the self-reported grade level the student indicates on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.
TABLE 11	The Average GPA for Cal Grant C and All Components is an average of the reported GPAs.

TABLE 1
Cal Grant Program
2006-07 New and Renewal Recipients by Award Type

Recipients	Cal Grant A		Cal Grant B		Cal Grant C		Cal Grant T		All Components	
New	22,379	22%	71,502	70%	8,213	8%	0	0%	102,094	100%
Renewal	45,968	25%	131,533	71%	7,861	4%	2	0%	185,364	100%
All	68,347	24%	203,035	71%	16,074	6%	2	0%	287,458	100%

TABLE 2
Cal Grant Program
2006-07 New and Renewal Recipients by Component

Recipients	High School Entitlement		Transfer Entitlement		March Competitive		September Competitive		Cal Grant C		Other		All Components	
New	64,114	63%	4,386	4%	12,674	12%	12,707	12%	8,213	8%	0	0%	102,094	100%
Renewal	132,669	72%	4,626	2%	15,746	8%	22,869	12%	7,861	4%	1,593	1%	185,364	100%
All	196,783	68%	9,012	3%	28,420	10%	35,576	12%	16,074	6%	1,593	1%	287,458	100%

TABLE 3
Cal Grant Program
2006-07 New and Renewal Recipients by Component and Segment

Segment	Status	Cal Grant A						Cal Grant B						Cal Grant C	Cal Grant T	All Components	
		High School Entitlement	Transfer Entitlement	March Competitive	September Competitive	Pre-SB 1644	Total	High School Entitlement	Transfer Entitlement	March Competitive	September Competitive	Pre-SB 1644	Total				
CCC	New	2,669	13	199	499		3,380	20,009	26	5,800	11,974		37,809	5,414		46,603	46%
	Renewal	4,993	16	223	484	59	5,775	39,872	11	7,862	17,728	434	65,907	5,793		77,475	42%
	Total	7,662	29	422	983	59	9,155	59,881	37	13,662	29,702	434	103,716	11,207	0	124,078	43%
UC	New	5,510	628	40	3		6,181	8,347	688	660	15		9,710	6		15,897	16%
	Renewal	12,793	706	50	35	81	13,665	18,932	792	903	857	38	21,522	6		35,193	19%
	Total	18,303	1,334	90	38	81	19,846	27,279	1,480	1,563	872	38	31,232	12	0	51,090	18%
CSU	New	5,139	1,032	102	5		6,278	13,748	1,459	1,803	137		17,147			23,425	23%
	Renewal	11,393	896	138	142	432	13,001	26,537	1,233	2,780	2,509	261	33,320			46,321	25%
	Total	16,532	1,928	240	147	432	19,279	40,285	2,692	4,583	2,646	261	50,467	0	0	69,746	24%
ICU	New	4,535	250	195	9		4,989	1,305	212	922	38		2,477	555		8,021	8%
	Renewal	10,245	480	324	78	174	11,301	2,902	338	1,325	782	50	5,397	478	2	17,178	9%
	Total	14,780	730	519	87	174	16,290	4,207	550	2,247	820	50	7,874	1,033	2	25,199	9%
PCC	New	845	47	657	2		1,551	2,007	31	2,296	25		4,359	2,238		8,148	8%
	Renewal	1,567	87	512	23	37	2,226	3,435	67	1,629	231	25	5,387	1,584		9,197	5%
	Total	2,412	134	1,169	25	37	3,777	5,442	98	3,925	256	25	9,746	3,822	0	17,345	6%
All Segments	New	18,698	1,970	1,193	518	0	22,379	45,416	2,416	11,481	12,189	0	71,502	8,213	0	102,094	100%
	Renewal	40,991	2,185	1,247	762	783	45,968	91,678	2,441	14,499	22,107	808	131,533	7,861	2	185,364	100%
	Total	59,689	4,155	2,440	1,280	783	68,347	137,094	4,857	25,980	34,296	808	203,035	16,074	2	287,458	100%

TABLE 4
Cal Grant Program
2006-07 New Recipients by Component and Grade Point Average (GPA)

GPA	Cal Grant A					Cal Grant B					Cal Grant C	All Components	
	High School Entitlement	Transfer Entitlement	March Competitive	September Competitive	Total	High School Entitlement	Transfer Entitlement	March Competitive	September Competitive	Total			
3.75 - 4.00	4,136	194	389	180	4,899	3,807	164	2,219	2,185	8,375	178	13,452	13.2%
3.50 - 3.74	4,402	284	306	139	5,131	4,803	258	1,988	1,952	9,001	288	14,420	14.1%
3.25 - 3.49	4,808	360	264	113	5,545	5,683	439	1,937	2,057	10,116	345	16,006	15.7%
3.00 - 3.24	5,352	479	234	86	6,151	6,813	551	1,936	2,299	11,599	503	18,253	17.9%
2.75 - 2.99		342			342	6,962	517	1,478	1,661	10,618	556	11,516	11.3%
2.50 - 2.74		234			234	6,948	372	1,118	1,205	9,643	561	10,438	10.2%
2.25 - 2.49		77			77	5,661	115	557	571	6,904	463	7,444	7.3%
2.00 - 2.24						4,739		248	259	5,246	430	5,676	5.6%
Less than 2.00											446	446	0.4%
Not reported											4,443	4,443	4.4%
All GPAs	18,698	1,970	1,193	518	22,379	45,416	2,416	11,481	12,189	71,502	8,213	102,094	100.0%

TABLE 5
Cal Grant Program
2006-07 New Recipients by Component and Educational Level

Educational Level	Cal Grant A					Cal Grant B					Cal Grant C	All Components	
	High School Entitlement	Transfer Entitlement	March Competitive	September Competitive	Total	High School Entitlement	Transfer Entitlement	March Competitive	September Competitive	Total			
Freshman	18,014	73	539	210	18,836	44,273	26	2,596	5,830	52,725	4,494	76,055	74.5%
Sophomore	676	190	302	306	1,474	1,131	223	5,487	6,336	13,177	3,380	18,031	17.7%
Junior	8	1,555	178	2	1,743	12	1,898	1,810	14	3,734	121	5,598	5.5%
Senior		152	174		326		269	1,588	9	1,866	218	2,410	2.4%
All Levels	18,698	1,970	1,193	518	22,379	45,416	2,416	11,481	12,189	71,502	8,213	102,094	100.0%

TABLE 6
Cal Grant Program
2006-07 New Recipients by Component and Dependency Status

Dependency Status	Cal Grant A					Cal Grant B					Cal Grant C	All Components	
	High School Entitlement	Transfer Entitlement	March Competitive	September Competitive	Total	High School Entitlement	Transfer Entitlement	March Competitive	September Competitive	Total			
Dependent	18,531	1,946	232	120	20,829	42,220	1,916	2,121	3,393	49,650	1,321	71,800	70.3%
Independent	167	24	961	398	1,550	3,196	500	9,360	8,796	21,852	6,892	30,294	29.7%
All Statuses	18,698	1,970	1,193	518	22,379	45,416	2,416	11,481	12,189	71,502	8,213	102,094	100.0%

TABLE 7
Cal Grant Program
2006-07 New Dependent Recipients
by Component and Parental Income

Parental Income Level	Cal Grant A					Cal Grant B					Cal Grant C	All Components	
	High School Entitlement	Transfer Entitlement	March Competitive	September Competitive	Total	High School Entitlement	Transfer Entitlement	March Competitive	September Competitive	Total			
Under \$12,000	390	5	38		433	8,523	398	837	1,256	11,014	218	11,665	16%
\$12,000 - \$23,999	769	11	41	1	822	14,502	653	832	1,411	17,398	267	18,487	26%
\$24,000 - \$35,999	1,599	103	57	38	1,797	14,994	709	412	654	16,769	335	18,901	26%
\$36,000 - \$47,999	5,114	582	77	61	5,834	4,201	156	40	72	4,469	230	10,533	15%
\$48,000 - \$59,999	5,745	654	17	20	6,436					0	163	6,599	9%
\$60,000 - \$71,999	3,906	482	2		4,390					0	86	4,476	6%
\$72,000 - \$84,999	1,008	109			1,117					0	22	1,139	2%
All Levels	18,531	1,946	232	120	20,829	42,220	1,916	2,121	3,393	49,650	1,321	71,800	100.0%

TABLE 8
Cal Grant Program
2006-07 New Independent Recipients
by Component and Student Income

Student Income Level	Cal Grant A					Cal Grant B					Cal Grant C	All Components	
	High School Entitlement	Transfer Entitlement	March Competitive	September Competitive	Total	High School Entitlement	Transfer Entitlement	March Competitive	September Competitive	Total			
Under \$6,000	106		89	2	197	2,527	129	2,556	1,999	7,211	1,535	8,943	30%
\$6,000 - \$11,999	31	1	69	2	103	420	113	2,142	2,095	4,770	1,419	6,292	21%
\$12,000 - \$17,999	10		51		61	132	105	1,527	1,557	3,321	1,096	4,478	15%
\$18,000 - \$23,999	6	1	54	1	62	65	76	1,387	1,489	3,017	950	4,029	13%
\$24,000 - \$29,999	2		47		49	32	64	1,098	1,035	2,229	660	2,938	10%
\$30,000 - \$35,999	3	3	202	115	323	12	12	498	475	997	405	1,725	6%
\$36,000 - \$41,999	4	11	200	135	350	7	1	132	123	263	283	896	3%
\$42,000 and over	5	8	249	143	405	1		20	23	44	544	993	3%
All Levels	167	24	961	398	1,550	3,196	500	9,360	8,796	21,852	6,892	30,294	100.0%

TABLE 9
Cal Grant Program
2006-07 New Recipients by Component and Age

Age	Cal Grant A					Cal Grant B					Cal Grant C	All Components	
	High School Entitlement	Transfer Entitlement	March Competitive	September Competitive	Total	High School Entitlement	Transfer Entitlement	March Competitive	September Competitive	Total			
18 or under	15,005	23	6	20	15,054	35,720	20	50	873	36,663	258	51,975	51%
19	3,454	61	19	19	3,553	8,674	34	170	663	9,541	304	13,398	13%
20 -23	227	1,886	278	84	2,475	910	2,362	2,878	3,034	9,184	1,366	13,025	13%
24	2		46	15	63	10		594	541	1,145	501	1,709	2%
25 - 29	7		236	78	321	44		2,739	2,261	5,044	1,965	7,330	7%
30 or over	3		608	302	913	58		5,050	4,817	9,925	3,819	14,657	14%
All Ages	18,698	1,970	1,193	518	22,379	45,416	2,416	11,481	12,189	71,502	8,213	102,094	100%

TABLE 10
Cal Grant Program
2006-07 New Recipients by Component and Gender

Gender	Cal Grant A					Cal Grant B					Cal Grant C	All Components	
	High School Entitlement	Transfer Entitlement	March Competitive	September Competitive	Total	High School Entitlement	Transfer Entitlement	March Competitive	September Competitive	Total			
Female	12,088	1,118	895	416	14,517	27,528	1,421	8,497	9,046	46,492	5,620	66,629	65%
Male	6,610	852	298	102	7,862	17,888	995	2,984	3,143	25,010	2,593	35,465	35%
All Genders	18,698	1,970	1,193	518	22,379	45,416	2,416	11,481	12,189	71,502	8,213	102,094	100%

TABLE 11
Cal Grant Program
2006-07 New Recipients
Average GPA, Income, and Age by Component and Segment

Segment	Category	Cal Grant A					Cal Grant B					Cal Grant C	All Components
		High School Entitlement	Transfer Entitlement	March Competitive	September Competitive	Total	High School Entitlement	Transfer Entitlement	March Competitive	September Competitive	Total		
CCC	Average GPA	3.34	3.18	3.57	3.57	3.39	2.73	3.01	3.22	3.24	2.97	2.76	2.99
	Average Income	\$52,549	\$51,685	\$40,858	\$40,260	\$50,043	\$19,495	\$18,583	\$13,215	\$14,736	\$17,024	\$18,880	\$19,634
	Average Age	18	20	34	33	21	18	21	32	29	24	33	25
	Recipients	2,669	13	199	499	3,380	20,009	26	5,800	11,974	37,809	5,414	46,603
UC	Average GPA	3.58	3.32	3.71	3.75	3.55	3.48	3.30	3.57	3.54	3.47	3.31	3.50
	Average Income	\$53,921	\$52,755	\$41,500	\$43,790	\$53,717	\$21,949	\$19,774	\$11,162	\$9,495	\$21,042	\$35,393	\$33,752
	Average Age	18	21	26	21	19	18	21	26	24	19	31	19
	Recipients	5,510	628	40	3	6,181	8,347	688	660	15	9,710	6	15,897
CSU	Average GPA	3.39	3.09	3.56	3.44	3.34	3.03	3.01	3.27	3.30	3.06		3.13
	Average Income	\$53,361	\$53,094	\$39,730	\$42,337	\$53,087	\$21,394	\$19,560	\$13,392	\$14,023	\$20,337		\$29,114
	Average Age	18	21	33	34	19	18	22	30	29	20		20
	Recipients	5,139	1,032	102	5	6,278	13,748	1,459	1,803	137	17,147	0	23,425
ICU	Average GPA	3.52	3.26	3.49	3.59	3.50	2.66	3.14	3.26	3.23	2.93	2.68	3.28
	Average Income	\$40,830	\$54,386	\$27,221	\$33,516	\$40,964	\$20,514	\$20,559	\$14,454	\$21,152	\$18,272	\$22,046	\$32,647
	Average Age	18	21	31	39	19	18	21	30	34	23	28	21
	Recipients	4,535	250	195	9	4,989	1,305	212	922	38	2,477	555	8,021
PCC	Average GPA	3.31	2.95	3.57	3.60	3.41	2.54	2.94	3.26	3.23	2.93	2.68	2.99
	Average Income	\$34,195	\$46,174	\$27,602	\$36,650	\$31,768	\$20,018	\$21,234	\$16,460	\$16,153	\$18,130	\$22,259	\$21,861
	Average Age	18	21	31	34	24	19	22	30	30	25	28	26
	Recipients	845	47	657	2	1,551	2,007	31	2,296	25	4,359	2,238	8,148
All Segments	Average GPA	3.47	3.18	3.56	3.58	3.45	2.95	3.10	3.26	3.24	3.05	2.73	3.13
	Average Income	\$49,505	\$52,975	\$31,254	\$40,170	\$48,621	\$20,573	\$19,720	\$13,873	\$14,744	\$18,475	\$20,027	\$25,208
	Average Age	18	21	32	33	20	18	22	31	29	22	31	22
	Recipients	18,698	1,970	1,193	518	22,379	45,416	2,416	11,481	12,189	71,502	8,213	102,094