
**CALIFORNIA STUDENT AID COMMISSION
2010-11 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 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 and from 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.

With the recent transfer of the state's federal student loan program to Educational Credit Management Corporation (ECMC), the Commission has benefited from a public-private partnership with ECMC. ECMC is providing services to the Commission and has provided over \$162 million to the Cal Grant Program and \$500,000 to the Cash for College scholarship program.

BACKGROUND

On September 11, 2000, Senate Bill 1644 (Chapter 403, Statutes of 2000), also known as the Ortiz-Pacheco-Poohigian-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, the 2010-11 systemwide fees were \$4,335 for semester campuses and \$4,370 for quarter campuses. At the University of California, the 2010-11 systemwide fee was \$10,302. 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. Over the 1,038,400 students who were successful in completing this first step in the 2010-11 award year, nearly 665,900, or 64 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 2010-11 new High School Entitlement Cal Grant A and B awards were guaranteed to students who graduated from high school in 2008-09 or 2009-10. The High School Entitlement Cal Grant A and B awards required a minimum 3.0 and 2.0 GPA, respectively.

Beginning with the 2008-09 award year, new High School Entitlement Cal Grant recipients were required to provide confirmation of high school graduation prior to the Commission disbursing any Cal Grant funds.

California Community College Transfer Entitlement Cal Grant A and B Awards

The 2010-11 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 28 at the time of the transfer, and had a minimum California Community College GPA of 2.4.

Beginning with the 2006-07 award year, new Transfer Entitlement Cal Grant recipients were required to provide confirmation of meeting the above eligibility requirements prior to the Commission disbursing any Cal Grant funds. Also, 10 percent of the new awards were

randomly selected for campus-level verification that the recipients met the eligibility requirements prior to the Commission disbursing any Cal Grant funds.

Competitive Cal Grant A and B Awards

The 2010-11 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 awards required a minimum 3.0 high school GPA or a minimum 2.4 college GPA. The Competitive Cal Grant B awards required a minimum 2.0 high school or college GPA. 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.

Cal Grant C Awards

The 2010-11 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.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS AND RECIPIENTS

In the 2010-11 award year, of the approximately 1,038,400 students who applied for a new Cal Grant, 372,500, or 36 percent, qualified for a Cal Grant award. Of the 372,500 qualified applicants, 139,462 were offered a Cal Grant award. The following tables summarize the 2010-11 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 3** Although new September Competitive Cal Grant awards are offered to students enrolled at a California Community College meeting the September 2 deadline, the data reflects recipients who subsequently transfer from the community colleges to tuition-charging institutions.
- TABLE 5** Cal Grant C applicants are not required to submit a GPA.
- TABLE 6** The educational level is the self-reported grade level the student indicates on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.
- TABLE 12** The Average GPA for Cal Grant C and All Components is an average of the reported GPAs.

TABLE 1
Cal Grant Program
2010-11 New and Renewal Recipients by Award Type

Recipients	Cal Grant A		Cal Grant B		Cal Grant C		All Components	
New	35,747	26%	94,710	68%	9,005	6%	139,462	100%
Renewal	58,779	29%	133,203	67%	7,710	4%	199,692	100%
All	94,526	28%	227,913	67%	16,715	5%	339,154	100%

TABLE 2
Cal Grant Program
2010-11 New and Renewal Recipients by Component

Recipients	High School Entitlement		Transfer Entitlement		March Competitive		September Competitive		Cal Grant C		All Components	
New	95,735	69%	9,308	7%	12,786	9%	12,628	9%	9,005	6%	139,462	100%
Renewal	146,970	74%	7,820	4%	14,744	7%	22,448	11%	7,710	4%	199,692	100%
All	242,705	72%	17,128	5%	27,530	8%	35,076	10%	16,715	5%	339,154	100%

TABLE 3
Cal Grant Program
2010-11 New and Renewal Recipients by Component and Segment

Segment	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			
CCC	New	3,661	22	126	299	4,108	32,347	82	5,908	12,282	50,619	5,489	60,216	43%
	Renewal	6,064	16	352	637	7,069	37,751	14	7,763	18,490	64,018	5,481	76,568	38%
	Total	9,725	38	478	936	11,177	70,098	96	13,671	30,772	114,637	10,970	136,784	40%
UC	New	12,742	1,041	10		13,793	5,361	2,066	352	2	7,781	6	21,580	15%
	Renewal	20,869	845	80	47	21,841	17,114	1,505	728	714	20,061	3	41,905	21%
	Total	33,611	1,886	90	47	35,634	22,475	3,571	1,080	716	27,842	9	63,485	19%
CSU	New	6,238	1,152	29		7,419	20,817	3,466	1,192	20	25,495		32,914	24%
	Renewal	13,704	1,215	216	122	15,257	32,062	3,007	1,907	1,565	38,541		53,798	27%
	Total	19,942	2,367	245	122	22,676	52,879	6,473	3,099	1,585	64,036	0	86,712	26%
ICU	New	7,226	465	108	2	7,801	1,906	811	435	9	3,161	133	11,095	8%
	Renewal	11,160	414	195	57	11,826	2,636	637	799	561	4,633	92	16,551	8%
	Total	18,386	879	303	59	19,627	4,542	1,448	1,234	570	7,794	225	27,646	8%
PCC	New	1,357	73	1,191	5	2,626	4,080	130	3,435	9	7,654	3,377	13,657	10%
	Renewal	1,783	69	905	29	2,786	3,827	98	1,799	226	5,950	2,134	10,870	5%
	Total	3,140	142	2,096	34	5,412	7,907	228	5,234	235	13,604	5,511	24,527	7%
All Segments	New	31,224	2,753	1,464	306	35,747	64,511	6,555	11,322	12,322	94,710	9,005	139,462	100%
	Renewal	53,580	2,559	1,748	892	58,779	93,390	5,261	12,996	21,556	133,203	7,710	199,692	100%
	Total	84,804	5,312	3,212	1,198	94,526	157,901	11,816	24,318	33,878	227,913	16,715	339,154	100%

TABLE 4
Cal Grant Program
2010-11 New Recipients
Highest School Completed by Father and/or Mother by Component and Educational Level

Highest School Completed by Recipient's Father and/or Mother	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			
High School or less	46%	42%	61%	67%	51%	57%	45%	60%	61%	60%	49%	57%	
College or beyond	46%	54%	18%	8%	41%	25%	47%	18%	16%	22%	39%	28%	
Unknown	8%	4%	21%	25%	8%	18%	8%	22%	23%	18%	12%	15%	
Recipients	31,224	2,753	1,464	306	35,747	64,511	6,555	11,322	12,322	94,710	9,005	139,462	

TABLE 5
Cal Grant Program
2010-11 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	8,087	378	493	124	9,082	3,157	651	2,929	2,877	9,614	389	19,085	13.7%
3.50 - 3.74	7,654	461	320	76	8,511	5,257	857	2,337	2,459	10,910	443	19,864	14.2%
3.25 - 3.49	7,583	595	226	62	8,466	7,124	1,139	2,086	2,477	12,826	596	21,888	15.7%
3.00 - 3.24	7,900	570	262	31	8,763	9,864	1,394	1,862	2,262	15,382	751	24,896	17.9%
2.75 - 2.99		381	94	13	488	11,136	1,275	1,224	1,329	14,964	784	16,236	11.6%
2.50 - 2.74		298	53		351	10,962	977	602	713	13,254	758	14,363	10.3%
2.25 - 2.49		70	16		86	9,145	262	241	194	9,842	705	10,633	7.6%
2.00 - 2.24						7,866		41	11	7,918	567	8,485	6.1%
Less than 2.00											397	397	0.3%
Not reported											3,615	3,615	2.6%
All GPAs	31,224	2,753	1,464	306	35,747	64,511	6,555	11,322	12,322	94,710	9,005	139,462	100.0%

TABLE 6
Cal Grant Program
2010-11 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	30,468	209	854	144	31,675	62,887	84	2,862	6,145	71,978	4,328	107,981	77.4%
Sophomore	749	287	423	162	1,621	1,614	674	5,649	6,161	14,098	4,241	19,960	14.3%
Junior	7	2,085	119		2,211	10	5,190	1,552	15	6,767	143	9,121	6.5%
Senior		172	68		240		607	1,259	1	1,867	293	2,400	1.7%
All Levels	31,224	2,753	1,464	306	35,747	64,511	6,555	11,322	12,322	94,710	9,005	139,462	100.0%

TABLE 7
Cal Grant Program
2010-11 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	30,689	2,623	154	22	33,488	58,658	3,071	1,797	2,897	66,423	1,214	101,125	72.5%
Independent	535	130	1,310	284	2,259	5,853	3,484	9,525	9,425	28,287	7,791	38,337	27.5%
All Statuses	31,224	2,753	1,464	306	35,747	64,511	6,555	11,322	12,322	94,710	9,005	139,462	100.0%

TABLE 8
Cal Grant Program
2010-11 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	2,519	8	72		2,599	15,993	859	844	1,356	19,052	237	21,888	22%
\$12,000 - \$23,999	3,372	12	44	1	3,429	17,601	868	643	1,030	20,142	207	23,778	24%
\$24,000 - \$35,999	3,440	38	22		3,500	16,300	910	269	435	17,914	199	21,613	21%
\$36,000 - \$47,999	5,092	512	10	15	5,629	8,163	410	38	73	8,684	210	14,523	14%
\$48,000 - \$59,999	6,790	858	4	6	7,658	601	24	3	3	631	174	8,463	8%
\$60,000 - \$71,999	5,652	736	2		6,390					0	121	6,511	6%
\$72,000 - \$83,999	3,211	383			3,594					0	51	3,645	4%
\$84,000 - \$92,999	613	76			689					0	15	704	1%
All Levels	30,689	2,623	154	22	33,488	58,658	3,071	1,797	2,897	66,423	1,214	101,125	100.0%

TABLE 9
Cal Grant Program
2010-11 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	451	23	342	2	818	5,262	1,295	3,372	3,285	13,214	2,583	16,615	43%
\$6,000 - \$11,999	40	7	145		192	335	741	1,565	1,722	4,363	1,188	5,743	15%
\$12,000 - \$17,999	12	8	128		148	108	687	1,326	1,309	3,430	1,138	4,716	12%
\$18,000 - \$23,999	8	6	120		134	68	418	1,291	1,262	3,039	922	4,095	11%
\$24,000 - \$29,999	3	4	101		108	41	265	1,031	1,009	2,346	655	3,109	8%
\$30,000 - \$35,999	1	4	106	44	155	27	67	590	507	1,191	330	1,676	4%
\$36,000 - \$41,999	3	12	137	82	234	8	8	264	255	535	253	1,022	3%
\$42,000 - \$47,999	2	16	121	79	218	3	3	72	59	137	216	571	1%
\$48,000 and over	15	50	110	77	252	1		14	17	32	506	790	2%
All Levels	535	130	1,310	284	2,259	5,853	3,484	9,525	9,425	28,287	7,791	38,337	100.0%

TABLE 10
Cal Grant Program
2010-11 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	25,180	33	1	10	25,224	49,208	35	22	548	49,813	105	75,142	54%
19	5,723	55	16	3	5,797	13,851	83	180	675	14,789	200	20,786	15%
20 -23	298	2,548	298	10	3,154	1,299	3,418	2,458	2,661	9,836	1,469	14,459	10%
24	2	36	63	7	108	23	1,126	373	458	1,980	516	2,604	2%
25 - 29	10	81	322	55	468	54	1,893	2,536	2,394	6,877	2,223	9,568	7%
30 or over	11		764	221	996	76		5,753	5,586	11,415	4,492	16,903	12%
All Ages	31,224	2,753	1,464	306	35,747	64,511	6,555	11,322	12,322	94,710	9,005	139,462	100%

TABLE 11
Cal Grant Program
2010-11 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	19,710	1,567	1,056	242	22,575	38,950	3,568	8,363	8,855	59,736	5,817	88,128	63%
Male	11,514	1,186	408	64	13,172	25,561	2,987	2,959	3,467	34,974	3,188	51,334	37%
All Genders	31,224	2,753	1,464	306	35,747	64,511	6,555	11,322	12,322	94,710	9,005	139,462	100%

TABLE 12
Cal Grant Program
2010-11 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	3.20	3.60	3.61	3.37	2.72	3.04	3.37	3.38	2.96	2.87	2.98
	Average Income	\$58,589	\$55,131	\$45,365	\$44,253	\$57,122	\$18,200	\$18,293	\$12,045	\$13,066	\$16,236	\$18,407	\$19,223
	Average Age	18	21	38	36	20	18	23	33	31	23	34	24
	Recipients	3,661	22	126	299	4,108	32,347	82	5,908	12,282	50,619	5,489	60,216
UC	Average GPA	3.60	3.40	3.87		3.59	3.36	3.35	3.64	3.27	3.37	3.28	3.51
	Average Income	\$40,037	\$58,841	\$20,729		\$41,442	\$21,120	\$15,704	\$12,233	\$4,952	\$19,275	\$33,656	\$33,448
	Average Age	18	21	27		18	18	23	25	22	20	30	19
	Recipients	12,742	1,041	10	0	13,793	5,361	2,066	352	2	7,781	6	21,580
CSU	Average GPA	3.39	3.15	3.53		3.35	3.04	3.05	3.43	3.48	3.06		3.13
	Average Income	\$59,729	\$59,145	\$41,637		\$59,568	\$20,337	\$15,167	\$13,228	\$12,212	\$19,295		\$28,373
	Average Age	18	22	35		19	18	23	31	30	20		19
	Recipients	6,238	1,152	29	0	7,419	20,817	3,466	1,192	20	25,495	0	32,914
ICU	Average GPA	3.52	3.22	3.47	3.84	3.50	2.68	3.13	3.46	3.34	2.90	2.88	3.32
	Average Income	\$40,295	\$54,368	\$23,098	\$39,499	\$40,896	\$20,363	\$15,483	\$16,558	\$25,003	\$18,601	\$19,905	\$34,292
	Average Age	18	21	34	30	19	18	23	33	34	22	31	20
	Recipients	7,226	465	108	2	7,801	1,906	811	435	9	3,161	133	11,095
PCC	Average GPA	3.31	3.03	3.48	3.46	3.38	2.53	2.95	3.39	3.03	2.92	2.76	2.99
	Average Income	\$31,363	\$44,006	\$18,304	\$18,553	\$25,767	\$18,016	\$14,604	\$14,702	\$15,340	\$16,468	\$19,541	\$19,016
	Average Age	19	22	31	32	24	19	23	32	27	25	30	26
	Recipients	1,357	73	1,191	5	2,626	4,080	130	3,435	9	7,654	3,377	13,657
All Segments	Average GPA	3.50	3.26	3.49	3.61	3.48	2.86	3.15	3.40	3.38	3.01	2.82	3.13
	Average Income	\$45,829	\$57,789	\$21,466	\$43,802	\$45,735	\$19,184	\$15,403	\$13,155	\$13,074	\$17,407	\$18,864	\$24,762
	Average Age	18	21	32	36	19	18	23	32	31	22	33	22
	Recipients	31,224	2,753	1,464	306	35,747	64,511	6,555	11,322	12,322	94,710	9,005	139,462