



Cal Grant

Entitlement Program

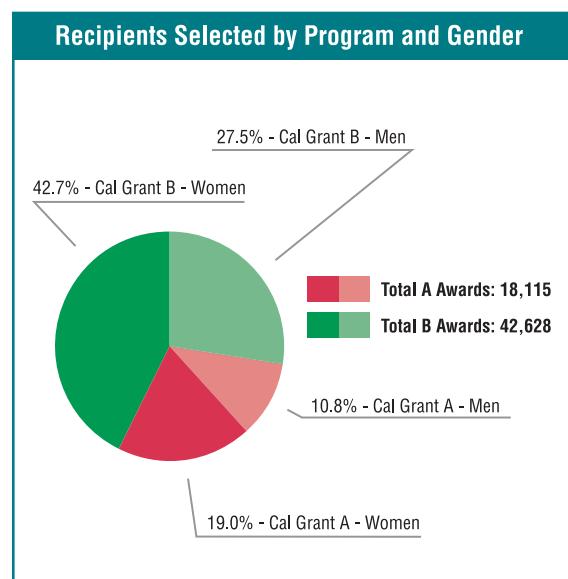
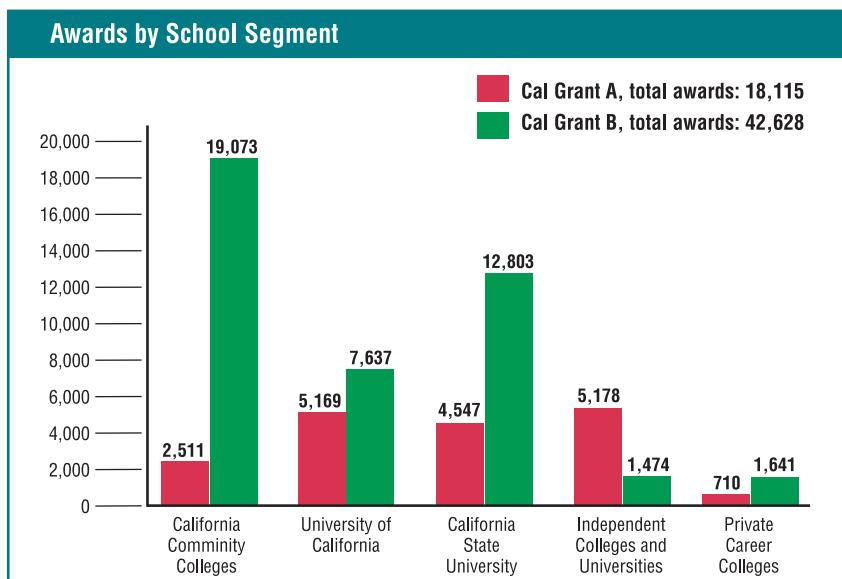
This document displays data about the 2002–03 Entitlement grants awarded to recipients.

Total Entitlement recipients: 60,743.

Senate Bill 1644 (Chapter 403, Statutes of 2000) guaranteed a Cal Grant A or B Entitlement award to every graduating high school senior who has financial need and who is academically eligible. This guarantee moved California closer to making college accessible and affordable for all those who wish to seek a postsecondary education.

Beginning in 2001–02, the expanded Entitlement provisions were in effect for new Cal Grant applicants who graduated from high school starting July 1, 2000. For the 2002–03 March 2nd Entitlement award application deadline, the applicant pool includes recent graduates, as well as those who graduated in 2000–01 and did not receive a Cal Grant award.

For the 2002–03 award cycle, the Commission partnered with education stakeholders, California's Legislature, the Governor's office and the Office of the Secretary for Education to launch a comprehensive outreach and public awareness effort that included statewide student-parent workshops, school-based financial aid training, direct mailings to students, ethnic media coverage, and a variety of partnerships. As a result, Cal Grant Entitlement awards increased substantially, paving the way for California's diverse students to access a postsecondary education.



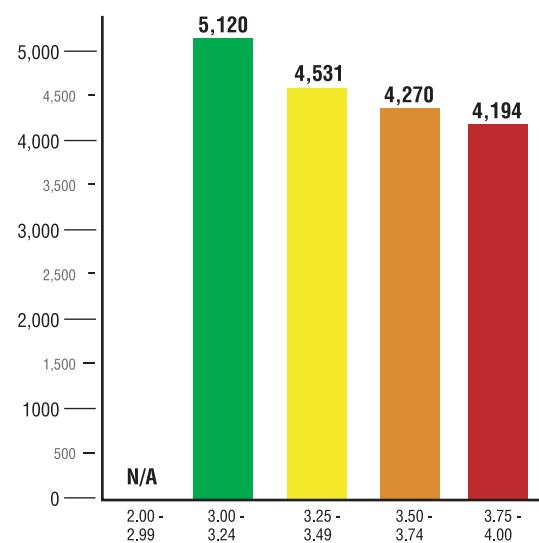
Cal Grant A Entitlement

Award Requirements include financial and basic eligibility, a minimum 3.0 grade point average (GPA), and graduation from high school in 2000–01 or 2001–02. 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 private California colleges and universities. Of these Cal Grant A awards, 16,667 were awarded to 2001–02 high school graduates, while 8%, or 1,448, were awarded to those who graduated in 2000–01.

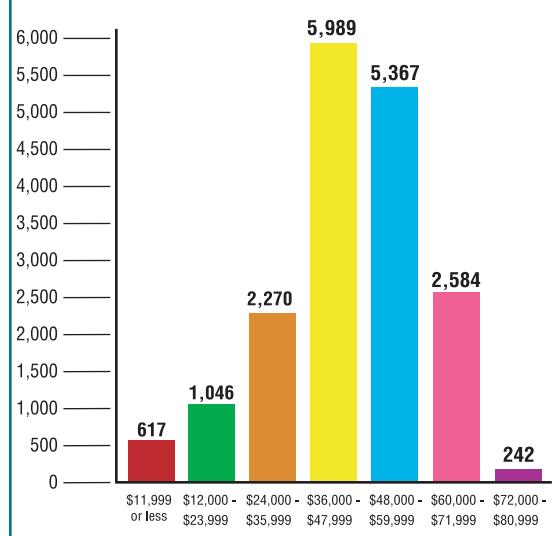
Average Parental Assets by Segment

School Segment	Assets
California Community Colleges	\$4,456
University of California	\$7,497
California State University	\$5,136
Independent Colleges and Universities	\$5,617
Private Career Colleges	\$2,883

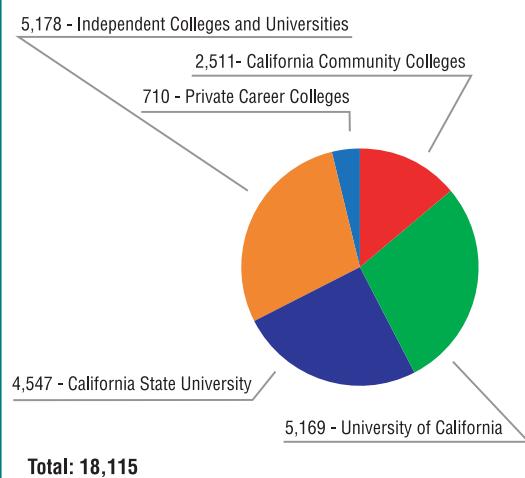
Cal Grant A Awards by GPA



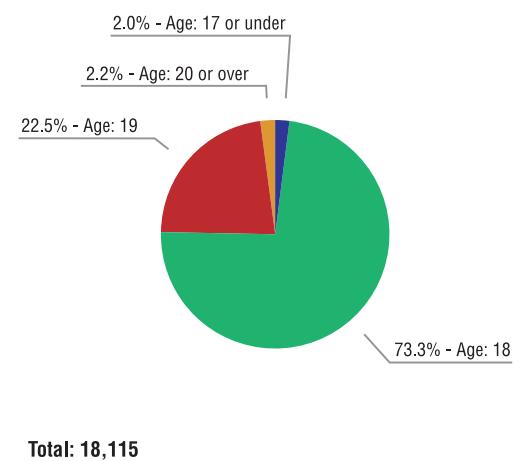
Cal Grant A Awards by Income



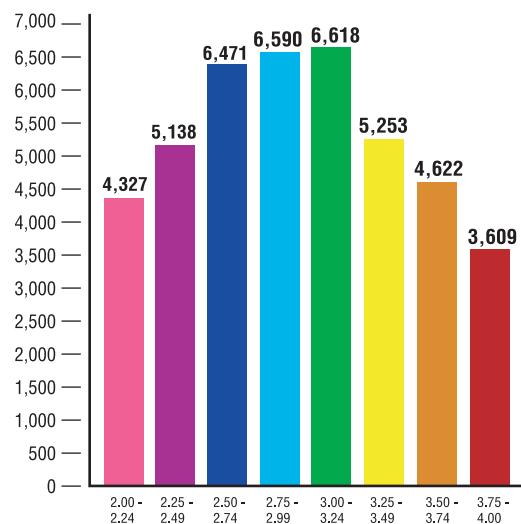
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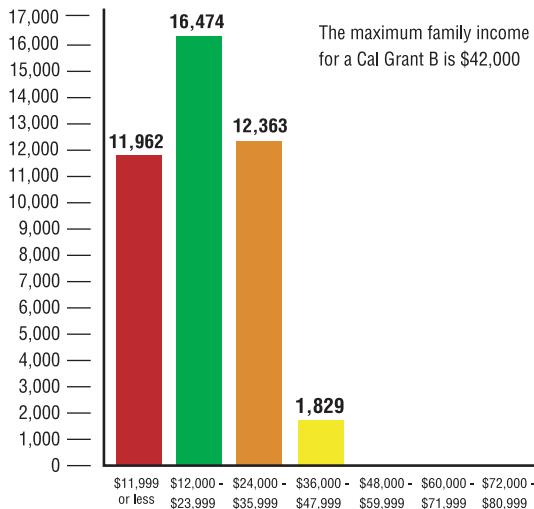
Cal Grant A Awards by Age



Cal Grant B Awards by GPA



Cal Grant B Awards by Income



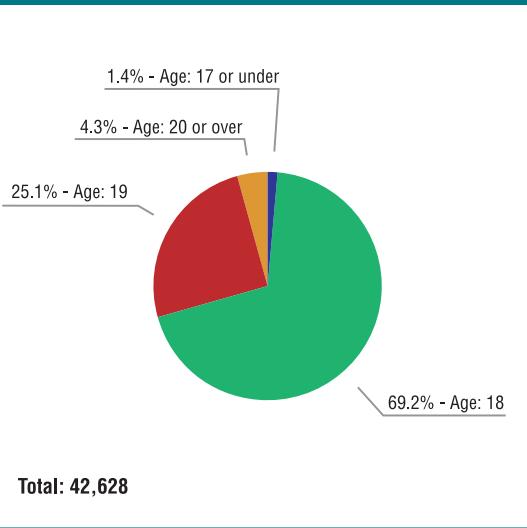
Cal Grant Entitlement B

Award Requirements include financial and basic eligibility, a minimum 2.0 GPA, and graduation from high school in 2000–01 or 2001–02. Cal Grant B awards provide up to \$1,551 for books and living expenses for first-year students. Beginning with the recipient's second year of attendance, Cal Grant B awards also help pay for tuition and fees at public and private four-year colleges or other qualifying institutions. Of these Cal Grant B awards, 38,953 were awarded to 2001–02 high school graduates, while 9%, or 3,675, were awarded to those who graduated in 2000–01.

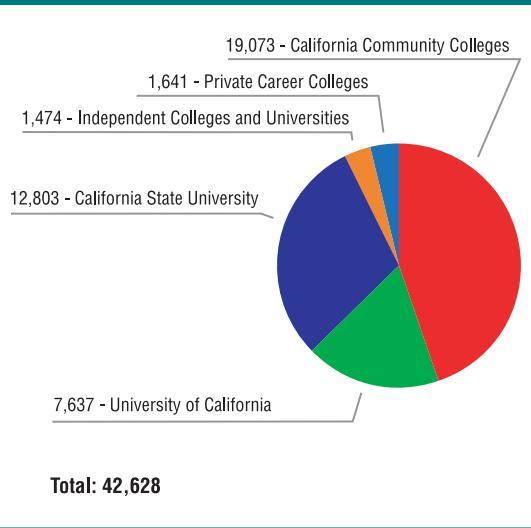
Average Parental Assets by Segment

School Segment	Assets
California Community Colleges	\$1,103
University of California	\$3,646
California State University	\$1,868
Independent Colleges and Universities	\$2,320
Private Career Colleges	\$1,413

Cal Grant B Awards by Age

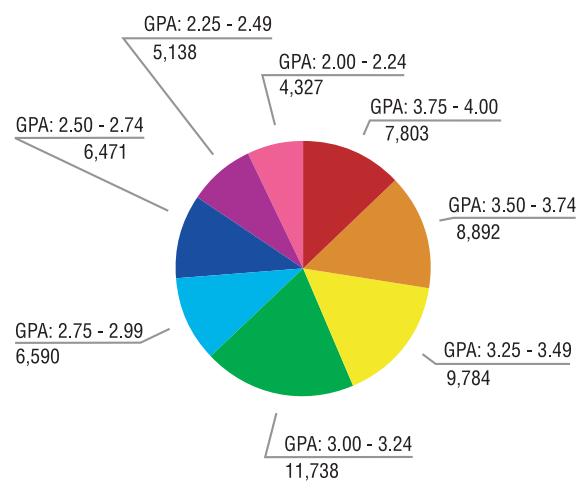


Cal Grant B Awards by School Segment



About the Recipients

Cal Grant Entitlement Awards by GPA



Typical Recipient

	Income	GPA	Family Size
Cal Grant A	\$46,115	3.47	4.2
Cal Grant B	\$18,447	2.96	4.3
All (Cal Grant A & B)	\$26,699	3.11	4.2

About the Applicants

Applicants must meet multiple criteria to qualify. Submission of both the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the GPA Verification Form is the first step for applicants to be considered for an Entitlement award. Of the 117,600 students who were successful in completing this first step, 22,035 did not qualify for various reasons. Examples of these reasons include not listing a qualifying California school on the FAFSA; neglecting to indicate they were a California resident at the time of high school graduation; and, mistakenly indicating they had already graduated with a bachelor's degree. These applicants are given the opportunity to correct their application and receive an Entitlement award. The remaining 95,565 applicants were matched against the program's financial criteria with 60,743 meeting the ceilings.



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The California Student Aid 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 and several targeted state scholarship and loan forgiveness programs. The 15-member Commission also oversees the activities of its non-profit student loan services auxiliary, EdFUND.