

SAINT MARY'S COLLEGE
CIRP (Entering Student) Survey Summary

Freshman Survey Summary
(Numbers in Percents)

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>
Visited this college before applying:	-	-	-	-	-	72.7
Miles from College to Home:						
More than 100 miles	72.7	71.2	68.4	68.0	73.2	66.2
Saint Mary's (This College) was Student's:						
First Choice	60.8	59.6	67.0	72.9	69.6	69.2
Second Choice	30.0	28.7	25.2	23.1	23.1	26.3
Reasons Noted as Very Important in Choosing Saint Mary's/This College (top 6 answers):						
Good Academic Reputation	80.3	80.1	74.8	74.9	70.3	72.8
A visit to the campus	56.6	53.1	49.2	60.0	50.2	55.1
Offered Financial Assistance	59.4	50.3	47.4	50.2	48.6	51.3
Size of College	-	-	-	-	52.1	48.8
Good reputation for social activities	-	-	-	-	30.2	30.5
Rankings in Nation Magazines	20.3	21.8	35.5	31.2	29.5	25.7
I was offered a merit-based scholarship	-	-	-	-	-	-
This college's graduates gain admission to top graduate/professional schools	50.5	49.8	45.9	48.5	-	-
This college's graduates get good jobs	71.7	72.8	62.4	67.9	-	-
I wanted to go to a school about the size of this college	54.5	51.9	52.8	57.4	-	-
Status of Parents:						
Both parents alive and living with each other	81.4	84.7	83.5	85.6	82.4	81.3
Father's Education						
Highest degree Bachelor's	32.8	32.5	31.2	35.9	26.0	31.9

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Mother's Education:						
Highest degree Bachelor's	44.8	44.0	40.4	43.8	37.7	35.1
Highest Degree Planned Anywhere:						
Degree beyond Bachelor's	80.6	83.4	78.1	80.9	81.1	77.2
Student's Probable Career (top 5 answers):						
Undecided	15.0	14.1	10.5	17.6	16.3	15.1
Teacher or administrator	8.5	12.1	13.9	15.3	10.7	14.2
Nurse	14.2	13.2	13.0	11.8	12.1	12.0
Physician	10.7	5.9	10.0	6.6	9.8	10.4
Business executive	6.2	6.6	6.9	3.1	5.9	6.9
Lawyer or judge	4.5	6.3	5.5	5.5	5.9	6.6

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