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Women consolidated their hold as the majority of the undergraduate student population at universities in the 1999/2000 academic year.

Among the age group 18 to 24, women accounted for 57.1% of all full-time undergraduate university students in 1999/2000, up from 54.2% in 1992/93, the peak year for enrolment. They were the only group of students whose enrolment increased during this seven-year period.

In 1999/2000, an estimated total of 245,200 full-time undergraduates were women aged 18 to 24, up 9.8% from 1992/93. During this same period, however, the number of their male counterparts declined 2.6% to 184,000.

Universities enrolled a total of 719,900 undergraduate students, both full-time and part-time, in 1999/2000, up 1.7% from 1998/99 and the second consecutive annual increase. However, the 1999/2000 total was well short of the record 771,300 in 1992/93. Undergraduate enrolment declined for five consecutive years following this peak.

This five-year decline was due almost entirely to a sharp drop in enrolment among part-time undergraduate students, especially in older age groups, while enrolments in full-time undergraduate studies remained steady over this same period.

Women's participation rate rises among full-time undergraduates

In addition to the growing enrolment among Canadian women, their participation at the most common university age group (18- to-24-year-olds) has risen slightly since the 1992/93 academic year.

In 1999/2000, the participation rate of Canadian women aged 18 to 24 enrolled in full-time undergraduate studies—that is, the number enrolled as a percentage of the population of this age group—was 16.7%, up from 15.6% 1992/93. Over the same period, the participation rate for men 18 to 24 declined from 12.5% to 11.8%.

Among those 25 to 44, enrolments dropped over the seven-year period. In 1999/2000, an estimated 37,200 women in this group were enrolled in full-time undergraduate studies, down 5.6% from 1992/93. The rate of decline among Canadian

men in the same age group was almost three times as strong in full-time undergraduate programs, down 17.6% to 33,400.

University enrolment

	1992/93	1998/99	1999/2000	1992/93 to 1999/2000
				% change ¹
Total undergraduate ²	771,300	707,600	719,900	-6.7
Full-time undergraduate	497,200	501,000	507,000	2.0
18- to 24-year-olds Men Women	412,100 188,900 223,200	423,800 183,100 240,700	429,200 184,000 245,200	4.1 -2.6 9.8
25- to 44-year-olds Men Women	79,900 40,500 39,400	72,000 34,700 37,300	70,600 33,400 37,200	-11.7 -17.6 -5.6
Part-time undergraduate ²	274,100	206,600	212,900	-22.3
18- to 24-year-olds Men Women	73,400 32,100 41,300	66,400 28,800 37,600	68,200 29,400 38,800	-7.0 -8.2 -6.0
25- to 44-year-olds Men Women	165,800 59,700 106,100	113,300 41,700 71,600	116,200 42,300 73,900	-29.9 -29.1 -30.3
	Participation rates ³			
Full-time undergraduate				
18- to 24-year-olds Men Women	14.0 12.5 15.6	14.3 12.0 16.7	14.2 11.8 16.7	
25- to 44-year-olds Men Women	0.8 0.8 0.8	0.7 0.7 0.7	0.7 0.6 0.7	
Part-time undergraduate ²				
18- to 24-year-olds Men Women	2.5 2.1 2.9	2.2 1.9 2.6	2.2 1.9 2.6	
25- to 44-year-olds Men Women	1.7 1.2 2.2	1.1 0.8 1.5	1.2 1.8 1.5	

Percentages are based on actual, non-rounded figures.

Note: Figures are rounded to the nearest 100.

Older age groups turning away from part-time undergraduate studies

Declining part-time enrolment was most notable among students 25 to 44. While part-time

Contains estimates for part-time enrolments in Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

³ Participation rates are based on Canadian students only (excluding foreign students).

undergraduate studies have traditionally attracted more women than men, both groups saw substantial declines during the seven-year period.

Part-time undergraduate enrolment among men 25 to 44 declined 29.1% to 42,300 in 1999/2000. Enrolment among women in this age group fell 30.3% to 73,900.

The declines were smaller among those aged 18 to 24. Among men in this age group, part-time undergraduate enrolment fell 8.2% to 29,400 in 1999/2000, and among women it declined 6.0% to 38,800.

Enrolments up in half the provinces

Enrolment in full-time studies, both undergraduate and graduate, rose at universities in five provinces from 1992/93 to 1999/2000.

The largest increase occurred in British Columbia, where the number of full-time students climbed 18.8% to 54,200 during the seven-year period. Full-time registrations also advanced in Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Ontario.

Enrolment in part-time undergraduate and graduate courses increased only in Alberta (+45.1%) and British Columbia (+17.9%) during the seven-year period. Universities in the other eight provinces saw double-digit declines in part-time enrolment, ranging from 11.0% to 42.2%.

Provincial enrolment

	1992/93	1998/99	1999/2000	1992/93
				to
				1999/2000
				% change ¹
Full-time			-	
Canada	569,400	580,400	587,600	3.2
Newfoundland	13.200	13,100	13.000	-1.7
Prince Edward Island	2,700	2,500	2,500	-6.4
Nova Scotia	29,400	30,000	29,100	-1.2
New Brunswick	19,100	18,500	18,000	-5.6
Quebec	135,000	134,200	133,300	-1.3
Ontario	230,600	230,000	237,100	2.8
Manitoba	20,600	20,900	20,900	1.4
Saskatchewan	22,800	23,700	24,000	4.8
Alberta	50,300	53,500	55,500	10.3
British Columbia	45,700	54,000	54,200	18.8
Part-time				
Canada ²	316,200	246,000	255,300	-19.2
Newfoundland	4,600	2.600	2.800	-40.0
Prince Edward Island	900	400	500	-39.6
Nova Scotia	8.500	7.200	7,500	-11.0
New Brunswick	5,700	4,200	4,100	-28.5
Quebec	122,500	98,100	97,800	-20.1
Ontario	108,500	73,000	75,100	-30.8
Manitoba	17,000	9,900	9,800	-42.2
Saskatchewan	10,100	7,600	7,500	-25.2
Alberta	17,900	20,300	26,000	45.1
British Columbia	20,500	22,700	24,200	17.9
Total enrolment ²	885,600	826,400	842,900	-4.8

Percentages are based on actual, non-rounded figures.

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Contains estimates for part-time enrolments in Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

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Restaurants, caterers and taverns

September 2001

Total receipts of restaurants, caterers and taverns in September were an estimated \$2.74 billion, an increase of 4.0% over the September 2000 estimate.

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Steel primary forms

Week ending November 3, 2001 (preliminary)

Steel primary forms production for the week ending November 3 totalled 254 350 metric tonnes, up 1.2% from 251 435 tonnes a week earlier and down 8.1% from 276 714 tonnes in the same week of 2000. The year-to-date total at the end of the reference week was 12 637 032 tonnes, down 11.0% from 14 195 442 tonnes in the same period of 2000.

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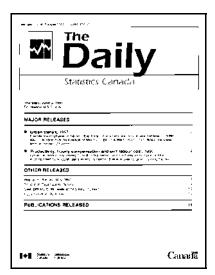
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