

## 2004 Enrollment Statistics

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The American Bar Association today released statistics regarding student enrollment in Juris Doctor programs at 188 ABA-approved law schools. The comprehensive data shows that the overall Fall 2004 J.D. enrollment increased to 140,376 students, compared to 137,767 students in the Fall 2003 – an increase of 2,700 students.

The following is a comparison of Fall 2004 and Fall 2003 enrollment at 188 ABA-approved law schools. The data is taken from Part 2 of the ABA Annual Questionnaires from 2003 and 2004.

	<b>2004</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>Net Change</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>
<b>Total Law School Enrollment</b>	148,169	145,088	3,081	2.1%
<b>Total J.D. Enrollment</b>	140,376	137,676	2,700	2.0%
<b>Total First Year Enrollment</b>	48,239	48,867	-628	-1.3%

	<b>2004</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>Net Change</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>
<b>Total Male J.D. Enrollment</b>	72,938	70,649	2,289	3.2%
<b>Total Female J.D. Enrollment</b>	67,438	67,027	411	0.6%
	<b>2004</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>Net Change</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>
<b>Total Male First Year Enrollment</b>	25,335	25,499	-164	-0.6%
<b>Total Female First Year Enrollment</b>	22,904	23,368	-464	-2.0%

Males comprise 52.0% of the J.D. enrollment for 2004 while females comprise 48.0%.

Males comprise 52.5% of the first year enrollment for 2004 while females comprise 47.5%. In 2003, males comprised 52.2% of the first year enrollment while females comprised 47.8%.

	<b>2004</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>Net Change</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>
<b>Total Minority J.D. Enrollment</b>	29,536	28,346	1,190	4.2%
<b>Total Minority First Year Enrollment</b>	10,743	10,476	267	2.5%

Please note that the law schools in Puerto Rico were not included in the minority enrollment counts.

In 2004, minorities comprise 21.0% of total J.D. enrollment. In 2003, minorities comprised 20.6% of total J.D. enrollment.

In 2004, minorities comprise 22.3% of first year enrollment. In 2003, minorities comprised 21.6% of first year enrollment and in 2002 minorities comprised 21.1% of first year enrollment.

This information will be included in the 2004-2005 Statistical take-off reports.