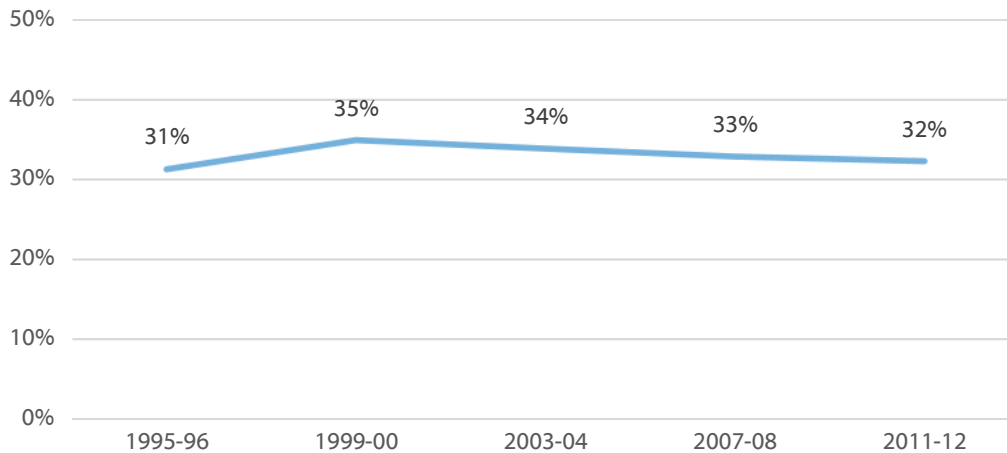


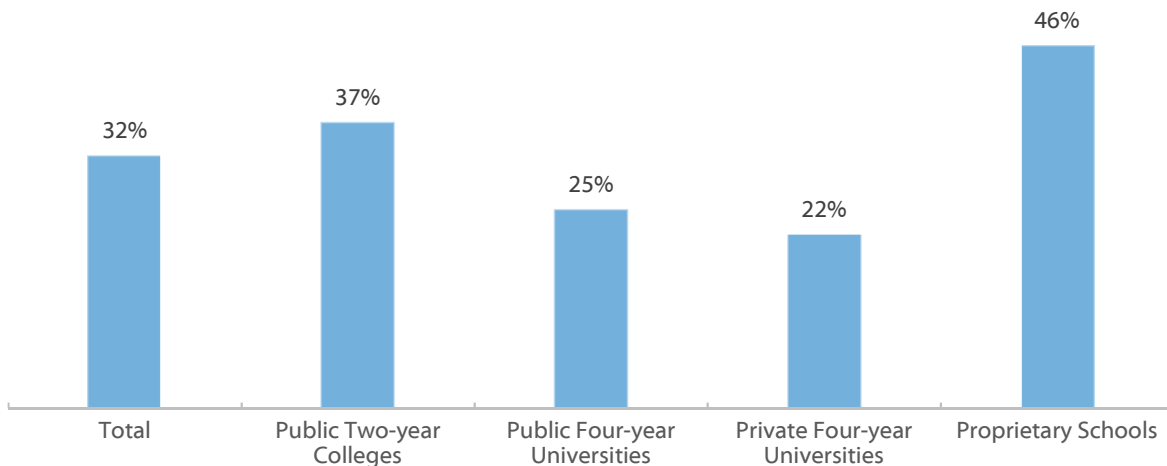
First Generation Students Make Up About a Third of Undergraduate Enrollments

**Percent of Undergraduate Enrollment that is First Generation,*
Nationally by Year**



Students who are the first in their families to attend college make up about a third of undergraduates in higher education institutions across the U.S. This proportion has held fairly steady since at least the 1995-96 academic year. Nearly half of the students at proprietary schools are first generation, compared to about a quarter at public four-year and private four-year universities and over a third at public two-year colleges.

**Percent of Undergraduate Enrollment that is First Generation,*
Nationally by School Type for Academic Year 2011-12**



* First generation for this purpose is defined as students who have parents with the highest level of education attained by either one as high school or below. This does not include those with parents who attended some college or those who are unsure of their parents' educational levels.

Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Postsecondary Student Aid Study (NPSAS) (<http://www.nces.ed.gov/das>), survey years 1996, 2000, 2004, 2008, and 2012.

