



CHARACTERISTICS OF AMERICAN COLLEGE STUDENTS

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WHY DO COLLEGE STUDENTS EVEN GO TO COLLEGE?

To obtain the skills needed for their career of
choice

Because their parents forced them to

It is rare for students to come for:

Personal growth/values

Meet different people



MAJORS

Interest

Pay

Job

growth

Parents

Examples of popular majors at 4-year institutions:

- Accounting
- Actuarial Science
- Anthropology
- Architecture
- Arts
- Biology
- Botany
- Business (all fields)
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Communications
- Economics
- Education (teacher)
- Engineering (all fields)
- English
- Environmental Health
- Environmental Science
- Foreign Languages
- Forestry
- Geography
- Geology
- History
- Hospitality
- Hotel Management
- Humanities
- Journalism
- Library Science
- Marketing
- Mathematics
- Microbiology
- Music
- Nursing
- Oceanography
- Pharmacy
- Philosophy
- Physical Education
- Physical Therapy
- Physics
- Political Science
- Pre-Dentistry
- Pre-Law
- Pre-Medicine
- Pre-Veterinary
- Psychology
- Public Relations
- Sociology
- Speech
- Urban Planning
- Zoology
- ...and other fields

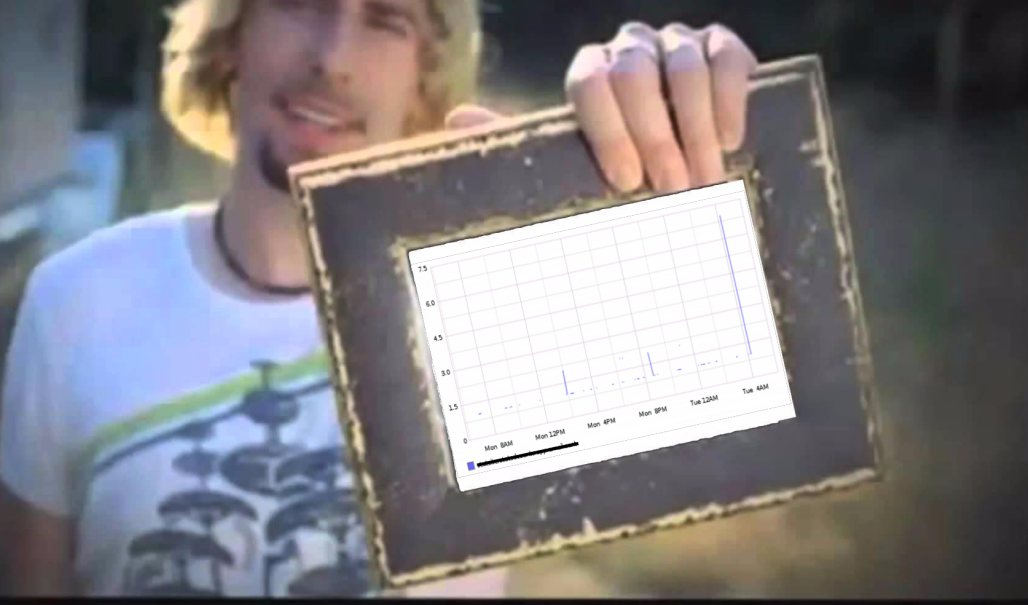


HIGHEST PAID JOBS FOR GRADUATES SPENDING LESS TIME IN COLLEGE

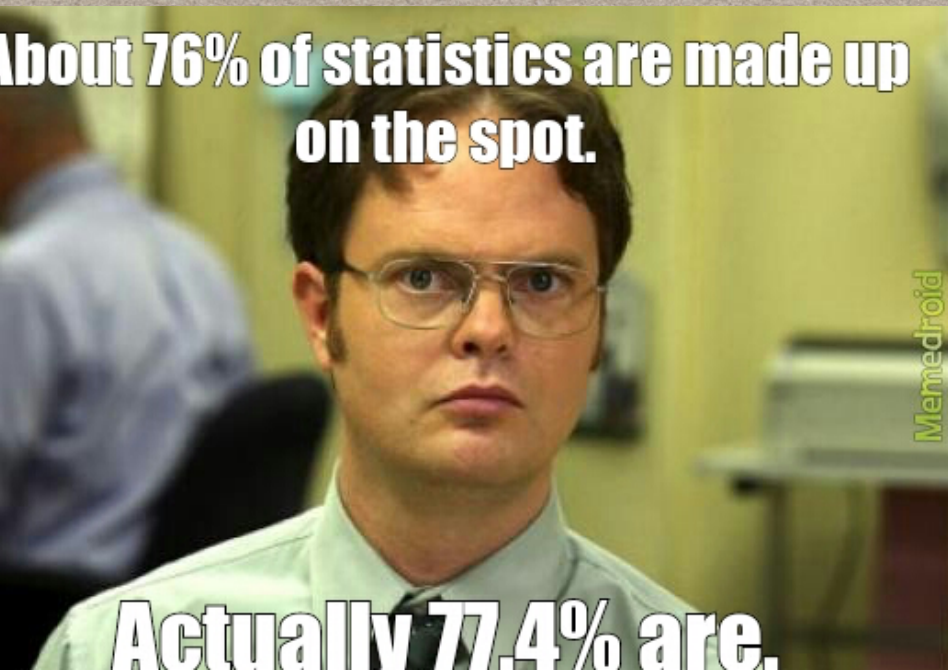
1	Petroleum Eng.	Engineering	2,339
2	Mining And Mineral Eng.	Engineering	756
3	Metallurgical Eng.	Engineering	856
4	Naval Architecture And Marine Eng.	Engineering	1,258
5	Chemical Eng.	Engineering	32,260
6	Nuclear Eng.	Engineering	2,573
7	Actuarial Science	Business	3,777
8	Astronomy And Astrophysics	Physical Sciences	1,792
9	Mechanical Eng.	Engineering	91,227

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165	Early Childhood Education	Education	37,589
166	Other Foreign Languages	Humanities & Liberal Arts	11,204
167	Drama And Theater Arts	Arts	43,249
168	Composition And Rhetoric	Humanities & Liberal Arts	18,953
169	Zoology	Biology & Life Science	8,409
170	Educational Psychology	Psychology & Social Work	2,854
171	Clinical Psychology	Psychology & Social Work	2,838
172	Counseling Psychology	Psychology & Social Work	4,626



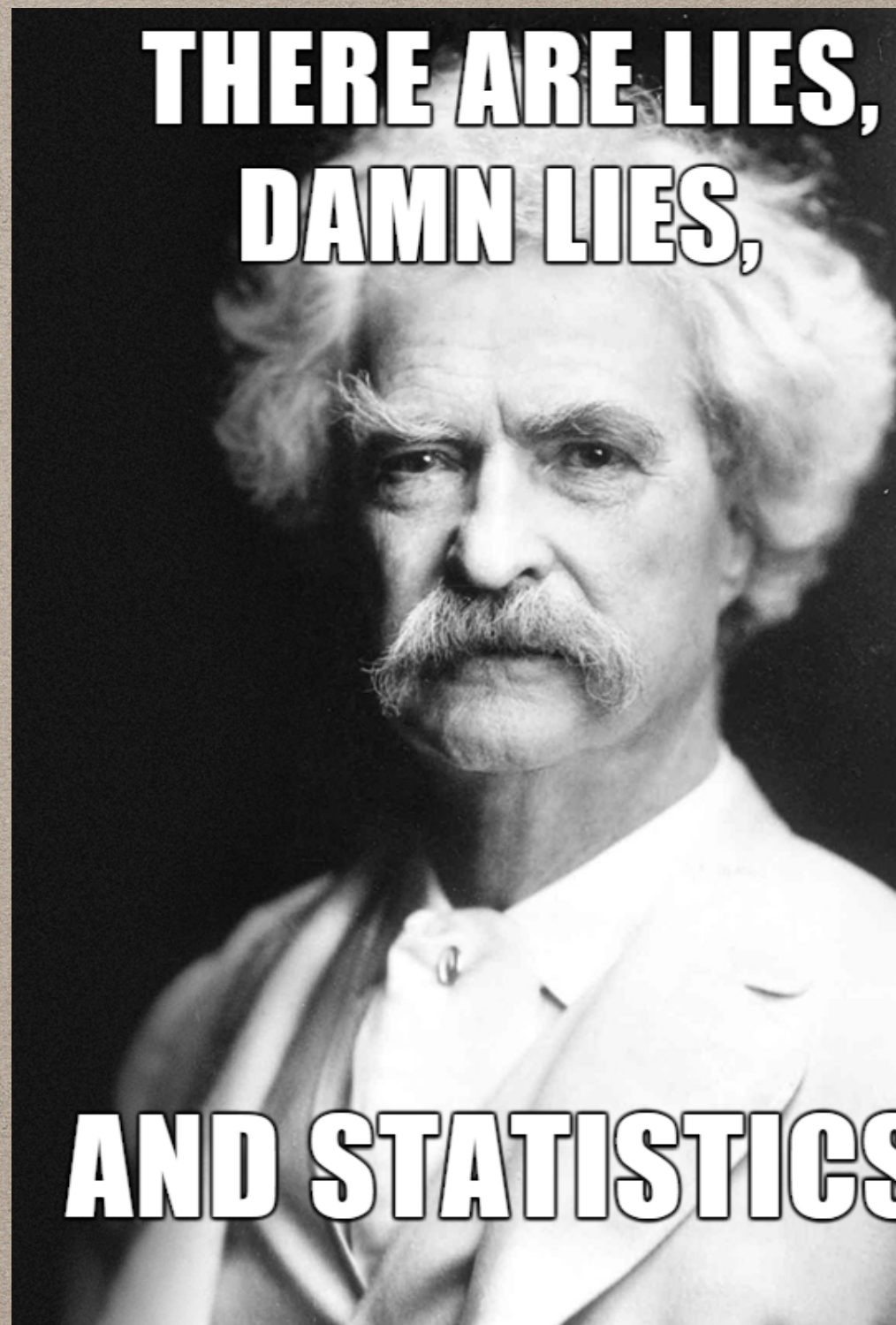
STATISTICS OF COLLEGE STUDENTS



About 76% of statistics are made up
on the spot.

Memedroid

Actually 77.4% are.



THERE ARE LIES,
DAMN LIES,

AND STATISTICS

STUDENT ETHNICITY OF COLLEGE STUDENTS (MORE THAN ONE IDENTIFICATION ALLOWED) AS OF 2013

American Indian/Alaska Native - 2.5%

Asian-American/Asian - 11.7%

Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander - 1.4%

African-American/black - 11.9%

Mexican-American/Chicano - 7.1%

Porto Rican - 2.0%

Other Latinx - 5.9%

White/Caucasian - 68.3%

Other - 3.5%

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HEALTH ON COLLEGE STUDENTS

Many college students reports about having mental health issues and how it affects their academics.



MENTAL HEALTH AND COLLEGE STUDENTS



College students can easily feel anxious trying to balance school, work, friends and family while also trying to figure out the rest of their lives.

Anxiety disorders are one of the most common mental health problems on college campuses.



FORTY MILLION

U.S. adults suffer from an anxiety disorder and 75 percent of them experience their first episode of anxiety by the age of 21.

30%

of college students reported that stress had negatively affected their academic performance.¹

85%

of college students reported they had felt overwhelmed by everything they do at some point in the past year.¹

41.6%

stated anxiety as the top presenting concern among college students.²

24.5%

of college students reported they were taking psychotropic medication.³

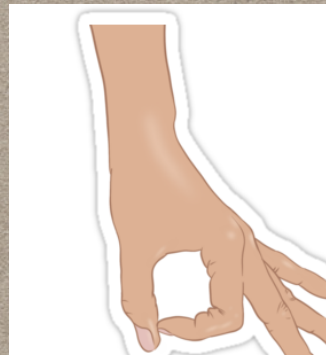
PESSIMISTIC?

College students are truly some of the most pessimistic people on Earth!

Why? They hide their mental health and problems behind memes and self-deprecating humour

The #1 joke in college? "Haha let me drop out and be a tripper"

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZfuxzO_NkL0



ATTITUDES TOWARD COLLEGES

Fear of failure/apprehensive

Technology is very influential towards relationship building.

Connected yet isolated to others

1/3 graduates reported to attend a social event once a month

Optimistic about personal future

REASONS FOR WHY THE ATTITUDES

College students attitudes now about college is very negative due to recent events such as an increase in school shootings, rising tuition, and political dilemma that affects the fundings in scholarships and aids. College students also have to deal with family issues as well as juggling a job some have kids, marriage, etc.

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