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**UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
OF GEORGIA**

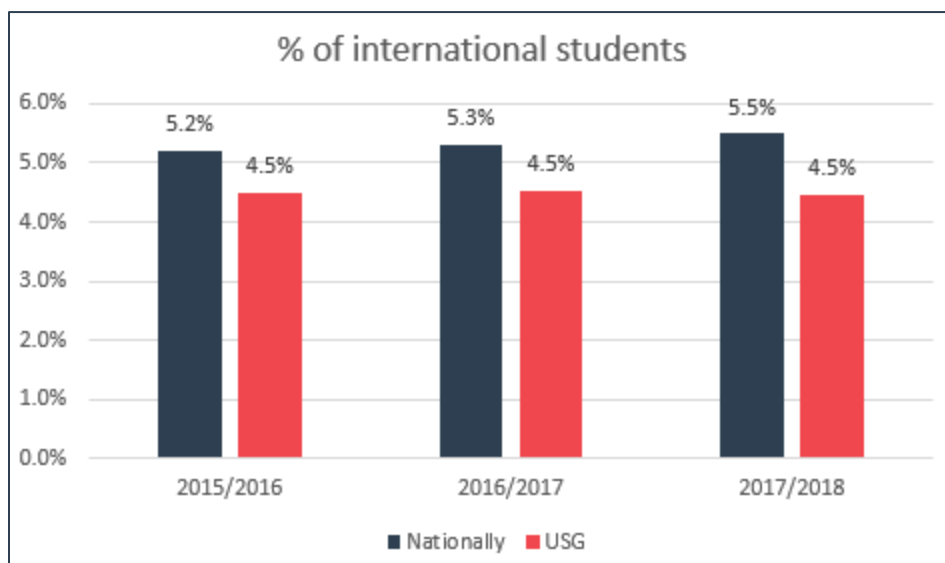
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

International Students

In 2017, international students in Georgia (public and private) contributed **\$808.6 million** to the Georgia economy and supported **10,254 jobs** in Georgia.



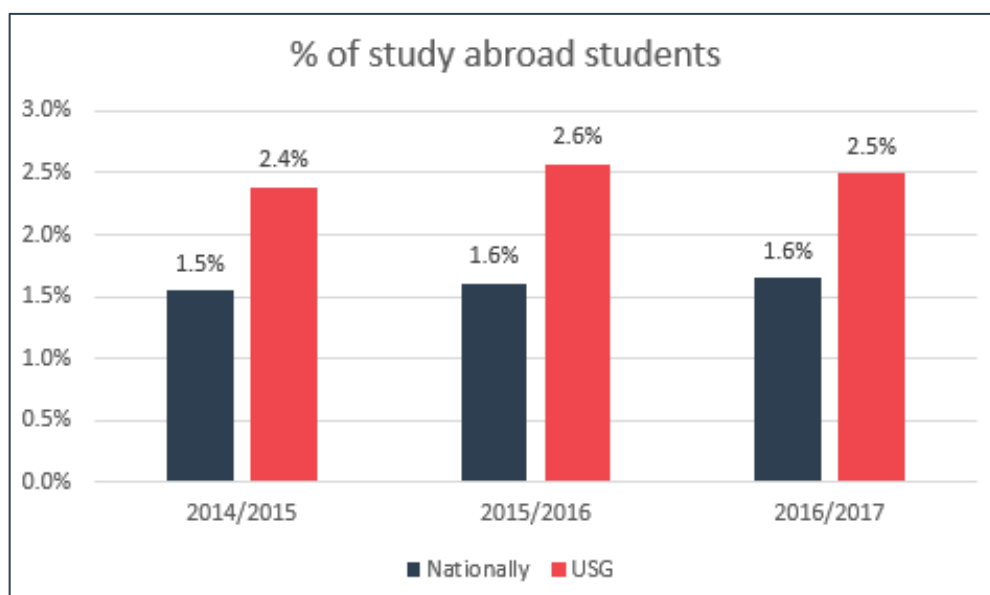
In 2017/2018, the USG system had 14,512 international students, representing **4.5%** of the student body, lower than the national average which is 5.5%.

While the rate of growth has slowed within the USG, there are several institutions where we see an increase of international students. See page 6 for details.

Study Abroad

In 2016/2017, the USG system had 8,017 study abroad students, representing **2.5%** of the student body, surpassing the national average which is 1.6%.

While the overall rate of growth at the USG is slowing slightly, there are several institutions increasing their numbers. See page 11 for details.



INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Countries Represented by the USG Student Body

While many international students come to the U.S. in either F-1 or J-1 programs, many more are present in other immigrant and non-immigrant categories. The following data presents the top 10 countries of citizenship enrolled throughout the USG from 2016 through 2018.

While the makeup of these countries varies slightly year to year, the bulk of students with citizenship outside of the U.S. from fall 2018 enrollment are from China (4,513); India (4,211); South Korea (2,000) and Mexico (1,396). We also see a rather large jump in the number of countries represented between fall 2017 (24,412) and fall 2018 (26,460). See Figure 1 and Appendix C for further detail.

FIGURE 1: TOP PLACES OF CITIZENSHIP IN THE USG

RANK	FALL 2016		FALL 2017		FALL 2018	
	Country	Enrollment	Country	Enrollment	Country	Enrollment
1	China	3,976	China	3,838	China	4,513
2	India	3,357	India	3,122	India	4,211
3	South Korea	2,159	South Korea	2,295	South Korea	2,000
4	Mexico	1,256	Mexico	1,233	Mexico	1,396
5	Nigeria	912	Nigeria	851	Vietnam	999
6	Vietnam	886	Vietnam	821	Nigeria	942
7	Canada	627	Canada	634	Canada	666
8	Colombia	515	Brazil	518	Colombia	469
9	Jamaica	443	Colombia	500	Brazil	467
10	Iran	420	Jamaica	495	Jamaica	432
<i>Total of Top 10 Places</i>		<i>14,511</i>		<i>14,307</i>		<i>16,095</i>
Overall TOTAL USG-wide		24,659		24,412		26,460

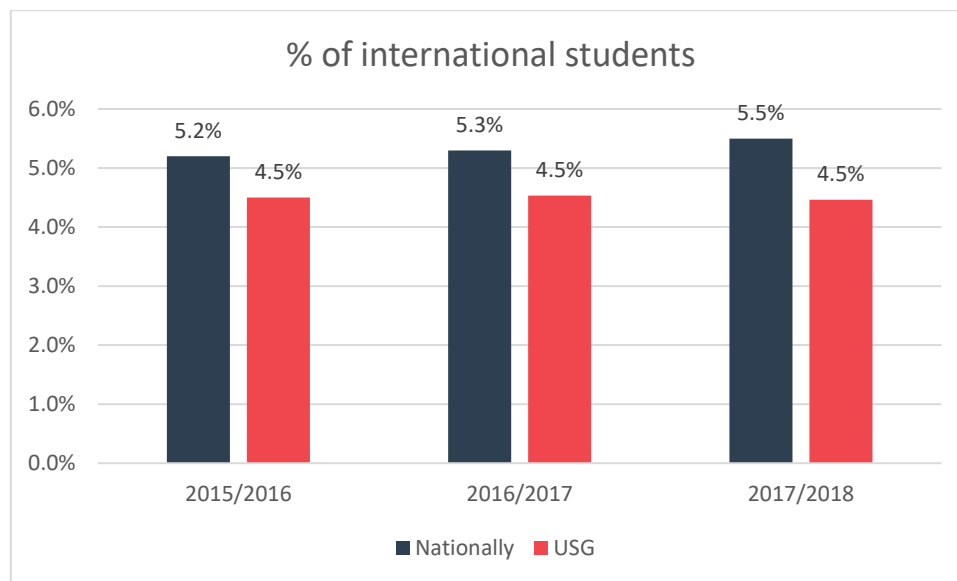
USG Enrollment Data

International Student Numbers

Nationally, in 2017/2018, there were 1,094,792 international students (F-1 and J-1)¹, representing 5.5% of the total student body.

At the USG, in 2017/2018, there were 14,512 international students, representing 4.5% of the student body. These numbers have remained consistent from 2015/2016 through 2017/2018. See Figure 2 for further detail.

FIGURE 2



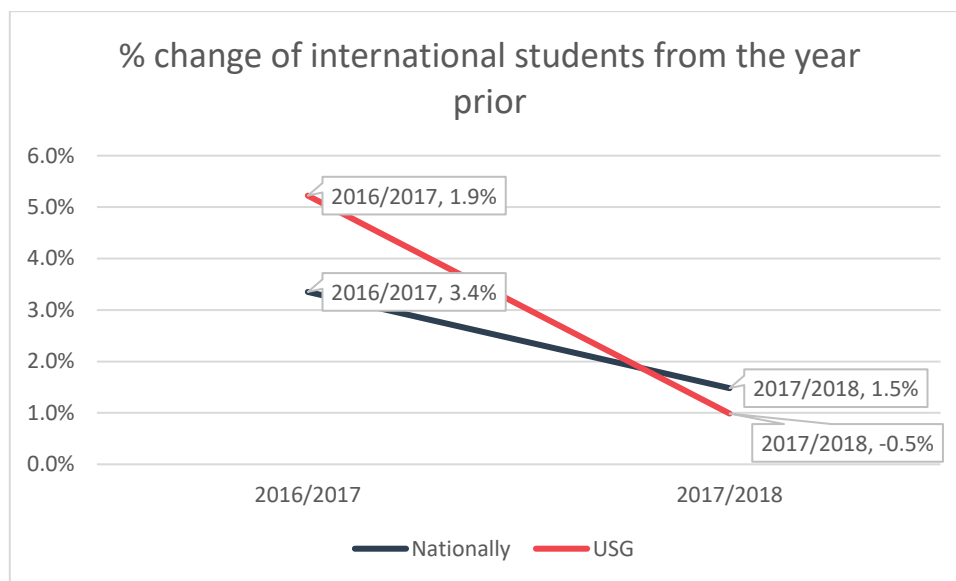
The percentage of international students (4.5%) has remained constant over the past several years within the USG. However, when we examine the rate of change (growth or decline) from year to year, the growth of the numbers of international students nationwide and within the USG has slowed.

Nationally, from 2015/2016 to 2016/2017, the growth rate was 3.4% and subsequently from 2016/2017 to 2017/2018 the growth rate was even slower at 1.5%.

At the USG, from 2015/2016 to 2016/2017 the growth rate was 1.9%. Notably, from 2016/2017 to 2017/2018 we see a slight negative rate of change at -0.5%. See Figure 3 for further detail.

¹ Institute of International Education. (2001-2018). "International Students at All Institutions, 2001/02-2017/18." Open Doors Report on International Educational Exchange. Retrieved from <http://www.iie.org/opendoors>

FIGURE 3



Across the University System of Georgia, we see many institutions in which the numbers of international students has either remained the same, or has declined. Notable exceptions, where an increase of international students is seen from 2016/2017 to 2017/2018, are at Georgia State (increase of 123 students), Georgia Gwinnett (increase of 68 students), and University of North Georgia (increase of 32 students). See Figure 4 for further detail.

FIGURE 4: USG INTERNATIONAL STUDENT NUMBERS

	2016/2017			2017/2018		
	TOTAL ENROLLMENT	F-1/J-1 STUDENTS	% of F-1/J-1	TOTAL ENROLLMENT	F-1/J-1 STUDENTS	% of F-1/J-1
RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES						
Augusta University	8,532	140	1.6%	8,824	137	1.6%
Georgia Institute of Tech	26,841	6,049	22.5%	29,369	6,029	20.5%
Georgia State University	50,969	3,076	6.0%	51,562	3,199	6.2%
University of Georgia	36,574	2,273	6.2%	37,606	2,265	6.0%
COMPREHENSIVE UNIVERSITIES						
Georgia Southern University	27,831	540	1.9%	27,459	522	1.9%
Kennesaw State University	35,018	1,033	2.9%	35,846	850	2.4%
University of West Georgia	13,308	146	1.1%	13,520	162	1.2%
Valdosta State University	11,375	308	2.7%	11,341	257	2.3%
STATE UNIVERSITIES						
Albany State University	7,161	64	0.9%	6,615	30	0.5%
Clayton State University	6,996	98	1.4%	7,003	106	1.5%
Columbus State University	8,407	177	2.1%	8,453	149	1.8%
Fort Valley State University	2,679	22	0.8%	2,752	27	1.0%
Georgia College and State	6,915	71	1.0%	6,952	63	0.9%
Georgia Southwestern State	2,954	55	1.9%	3,052	55	1.8%
Middle Georgia State University	7,714	44	0.6%	7,341	64	0.9%
Savannah State University	4,955	65	1.3%	4,429	75	1.7%
University of North Georgia	18,219	207	1.1%	18,782	239	1.3%
STATE COLLEGES						
ABAC	5,943	21	0.4%	5,140	19	0.4%
Atlanta Metropolitan College	2,783	NR	U	2,501	NR	U
College of Coastal Georgia	3,529	21	0.6%	3,663	33	0.9%
Dalton State College	5,188	49	0.9%	5,164	29	0.6%
East Georgia State College	3,152	NR	U	3,003	NR	U
Georgia Gwinnett College	12,052	125	1.0%	12,287	193	1.6%
Georgia Highlands College	6,013	NR	U	6,013	6	0.1%
Gordon State College	3,901	NR	U	3,986	3	0.1%
South Georgia State College	2,542	NR	U	2,540	NR	U

USG Enrollment² and IIE Open Doors Data; NR = No Record; U = Unknown

² Numbers cited here may differ from those published in the previous report due to retroactive consolidations of USG institutions.

Economic impact of International Students

According to NAFSA's 2018 Benefits from International Students Report³, the state of Georgia has 22,789 international students. This figure demonstrates a 5.9% increase since the year prior and ranks the state of Georgia fifteenth⁴ for the highest number of international students in the United States. International students in Georgia, at both public and private institutions, contributed **\$808.6 million** to the Georgia economy and supported **10,254 jobs**⁵ in Georgia. See Figure 5 for further detail and Appendix B for full information.

FIGURE 5: 2017 ECONOMIC IMPACT OF USG INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

	Financial Contribution	Jobs Supported
RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES		
Augusta University	\$3.9 million	56
Georgia Institute of Technology	\$182.0 million	2,817
Georgia State University	\$94.5 million	1,255
University of Georgia	\$65.6 million	1,017
COMPREHENSIVE UNIVERSITIES		
Georgia Southern University	\$15.6 million	195
Kennesaw State University	\$20.9 million	283
University of West Georgia	\$4.9 million	68
Valdosta State University	\$7.2 million	99
STATE UNIVERSITIES		
Albany State University	\$5.4 million	33
Clayton State University	\$3.4 million	22
Columbus State University	\$4.7 million	30
Fort Valley State University	\$517,903	3
Georgia College and State University	\$2.3 million	15
Georgia Southwestern State University	\$1.5 million	9
Middle Georgia State University	\$1.5 million	9
Savannah State University	\$1.7 million	11
University of North Georgia	\$7.2 million	45

³ Economic Analysis produced by NAFSA based on enrollment data from *Open Doors 2018*

⁴ Rankings include all 50 US states in addition to Washington DC, Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands

⁵ According to NAFSA, for every seven international students enrolled, three U.S. jobs are created and supported by spending occurring in the higher education, accommodation, dining, retail, transportation, telecommunications and health insurance sectors.

STATE COLLEGES		
Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College	\$501,628	3
Atlanta Metropolitan College	\$239,180	1
College of Coastal Georgia	\$1.0 million	6
Dalton State College	\$704,663	4
East Georgia State College	\$90,005	1
Georgia Gwinnett College	\$4.0 million	25
Georgia Highlands College	\$166,261	1
Gordon State College	\$85,954	1
South Georgia State College	unknown	unknown
Total state of Georgia benefits	\$808.6 million	10,254
National benefits	\$39.0 billion	455,622



International students at Georgia State

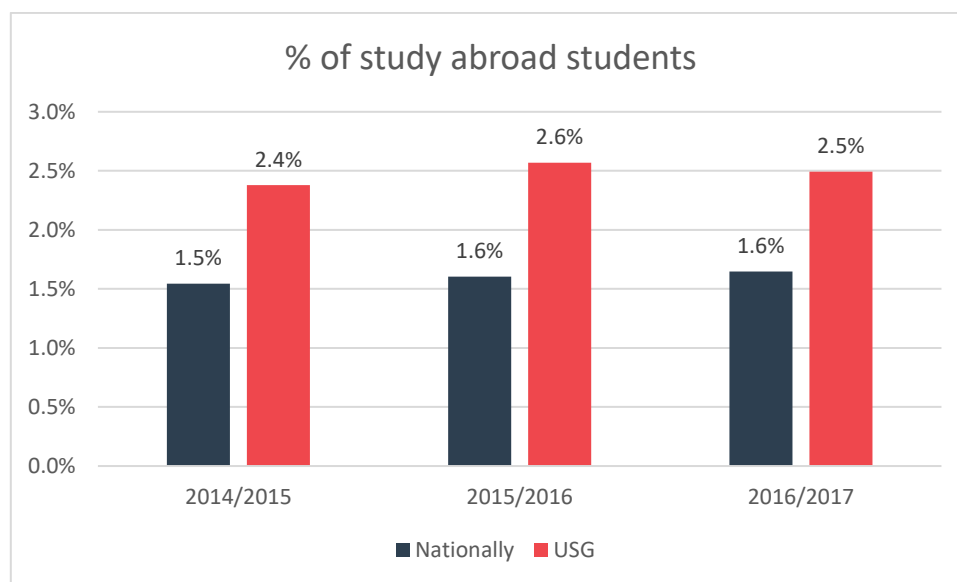
STUDY ABROAD

Study Abroad Numbers

Nationally, in 2016/2017, there were 332,727 study abroad students in the United States⁶, representing approximately 1.6% of the total student body.

At the USG, in 2016/2017, we surpassed the national trends as there were **8,017 study abroad students, representing 2.5% of our total student body**. However, the most recent data shows a slight slowing of study abroad growth in the USG as the year prior showed 8,173 study abroad students, accounting for 2.6% of the student body. See Figure 6 for further detail.

FIGURE 6



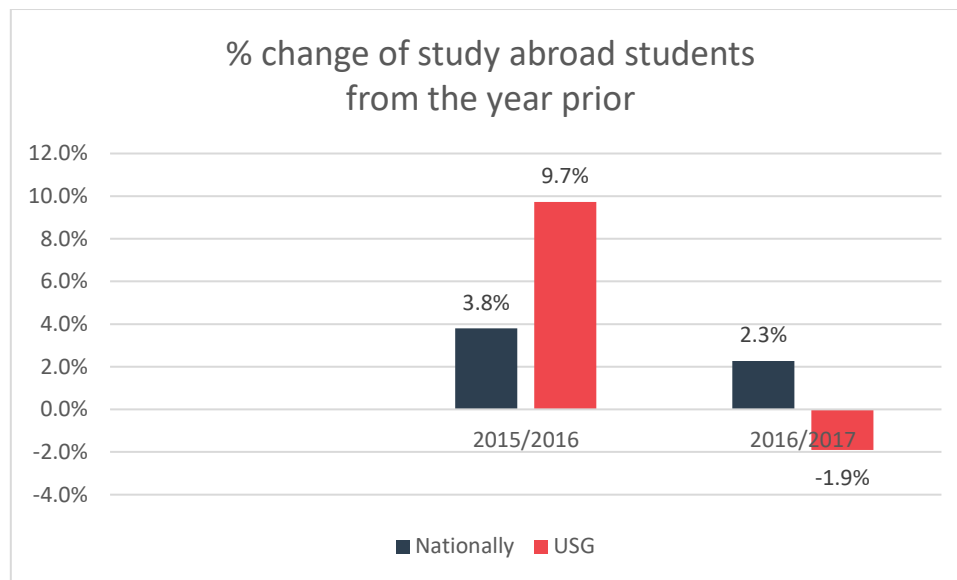
While the percentage of study abroad students has remained relatively consistent, when we examine the rate of change from year to year, the growth of the numbers of study abroad students has been slowing both nationally and at the USG.

⁶ Institute of International Education. (2001-2017). "U.S. Study Abroad at All Institutions, 2000/01-2016/17." Open Doors Report on International Educational Exchange. Retrieved from <http://www.iie.org/opendoors>

Nationally, from 2014/2015 to 2015/2016, the growth rate was 3.8% and subsequently from 2015/2016 to 2016/2017 the growth rate was even slower at 2.3%.

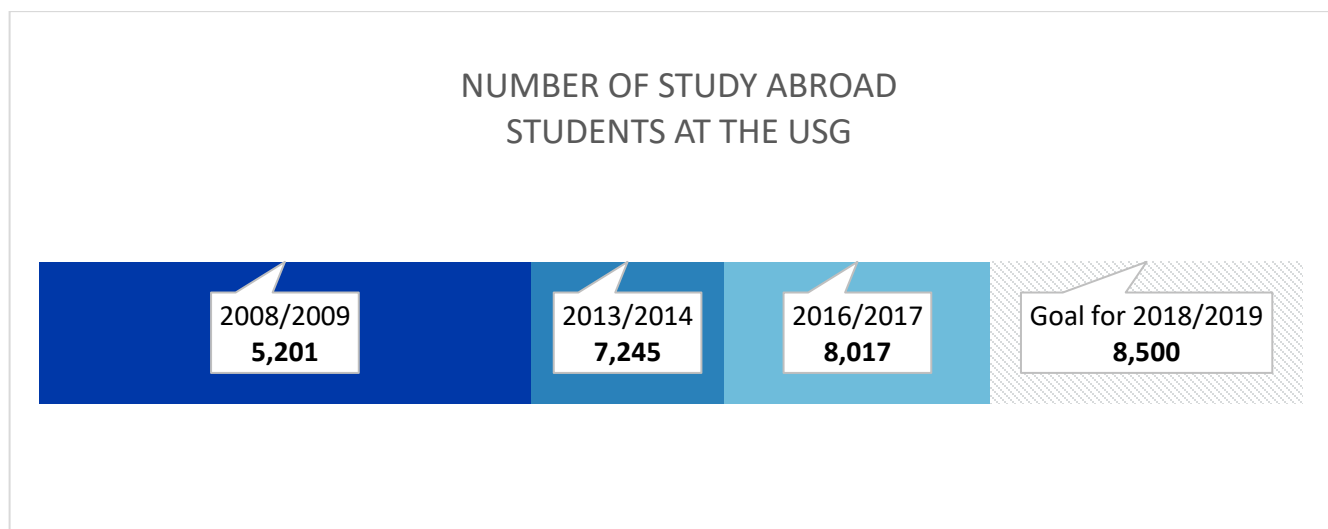
At the USG, from 2014/2015 to 2015/2016, the growth rate surpassed the national trend and was at a notable 9.7%. However, from 2015/2016 to 2016/2017 the rate slowed considerably and was -1.9%. See Figure 7 for further detail.

FIGURE 7



The most recent data demonstrates that the USG has two years to move from 8,017 study abroad students (2016/2017) to the goal of 8,500 study abroad students by 2018/2019, as cited in Objective 8 of the update to the USG Strategic Plan. See Figure 8 for further detail.

FIGURE 8



There are several instances across the USG in which we see either an increase, or a decrease, in the numbers of study abroad students. Notable exceptions, where an increase of study abroad students is seen from 2016/2017 to 2017/2018, are at University of Georgia (increase of 69 students) and Georgia Tech (increase of 56 students). Dalton State College saw the largest increase in the percentage of study abroad students from 0.7% to 1.1% across the USG system. Other notable exceptions, where a decrease of study abroad students is seen from 2016/2017 to 2017/2018, are at Georgia College (decrease of 77 students), Georgia State (decrease of 75 students), Georgia Southern (decrease of 75 students) and Clayton State (decrease of 72 students). See Figure 9 for further detail.



Dalton State students in Mexico

FIGURE 9: USG STUDY ABROAD NUMBERS

	2015/2016			2016/2017		
	TOTAL	SA	% of SA	TOTAL	SA	% of SA
RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES						
Augusta University	8,333	329	3.9%	8,532	339	4.0%
Georgia Institute of Tech	25,034	1,637	6.5%	26,841	1,693	6.3%
Georgia State University	53,146	905	1.7%	50,969	830	1.6%
University of Georgia	36,130	2,248	6.2%	36,574	2,317	6.3%
COMPREHENSIVE UNIVERSITIES						
Georgia Southern University	27,569	523	1.9%	27,831	448	1.6%
Kennesaw State University	33,252	777	2.3%	35,018	842	2.4%
University of West Georgia	12,834	200	1.6%	13,308	195	1.5%
Valdosta State University	11,302	193	1.7%	11,375	146	1.3%
STATE UNIVERSITIES						
Albany State University	8,963	37	0.4%	7,161	39	0.5%
Clayton State University	7,012	122	1.7%	6,996	50	0.7%
Columbus State University	8,440	178	2.1%	8,407	190	2.3%
Fort Valley State University	2,695	NR	U	2,679	7	0.3%
Georgia College and State	6,889	347	5.0%	6,915	270	3.9%
Georgia Southwestern State	2,755	27	1.0%	2,954	22	0.7%
Middle Georgia State	7,676	17	0.2%	7,714	27	0.4%
Savannah State University	4,800	60	1.3%	4,955	16	0.3%
University of North Georgia	17,289	391	2.3%	18,219	385	2.1%
STATE COLLEGES						
ABAC	5,794	27	0.5%	5,943	3	0.1%
Atlanta Metropolitan College	3,129	NR	U	2,783	NR	U
College of Coastal Georgia	3,131	11	0.4%	3,529	9	0.3%
Dalton State College	5,044	35	0.7%	5,188	57	1.1%
East Georgia State College	3,001	NR	U	3,152	NR	U
Georgia Gwinnett College	11,468	82	0.7%	12,052	109	0.9%
Georgia Highlands College	5,746	27	0.5%	6,013	7	0.1%
Gordon State College	4,084	NR	U	3,901	16	0.4%
South Georgia State College	2,648	NR	U	2,542	0	0.0%

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Top Study Abroad Country Destinations

The top five study abroad destinations for the USG during the 2016/2017 academic year were: United Kingdom (996 students); France (947); Italy (914); Costa Rica (296) and Spain (240). These data show a rather large jump between the third most popular destination - 914 students studying abroad in Italy, and the fourth most popular destination – 296 students studying abroad in Costa Rica.

Further, when comparing the USG with the United States, we see that the percentage of students studying in United Kingdom is approximately the same (12.4% of USG students; 12% of US students nationwide), while the percentage of students studying in France is more varied (11.8% of USG students; 4.9% of US students nationwide). There is also a higher percentage of USG students studying in Costa Rica, compared with the national average (3.7% of USG students; 2.5% of US students nationwide). See Figure 10 for further detail and Appendix D for full information.

FIGURE 10: STUDY ABROAD DESTINATIONS IN 2016/2017 - USG VS. NATIONWIDE

Rank	USG			NATIONWIDE		
	Country	Number of students who SA in that country ⁸	% of Total	Country	Number of students who SA in that country	% of Total
1	United Kingdom ⁹	996	12.4%	United Kingdom	39,851	12.0%
2	France	947	11.8%	Italy	35,366	10.6%
3	Italy	914	11.4%	Spain	31,231	9.4%
4	Costa Rica	296	3.7%	France	16,462	4.9%
5	Spain	240	3.0%	Germany	12,585	3.8%

USG Enrollment and IIE Open Doors Data

⁸ The 'number of USG students who SA in that country' was calculated by polling all USG institutions who sent more than 100 students abroad in 2016/2017 and asking for their top five destinations and numbers of students sent.

⁹ United Kingdom also included students studying in England from the USG

APPENDIX A: GEORGIA OPEN DOORS FACT SHEET

Reference: <https://www.iie.org/Research-and-Insights/Open-Doors/Fact-Sheets-and-Infographics/Data-by-State-Fact-Sheets>

2018 FACT SHEET: GEORGIA



22,789	5.9	15	\$808,582,868
Int'l Students in the State	Percent Change from Previous Year	Rank in the U.S.*	Estimated Int'l Student Expenditure in the State**

* Rankings include all 50 U.S. states in addition to Washington, D.C., Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

** Economic analysis produced by NAFSA: Association of International Educators based on enrollment data from Open Doors 2018. www.nafsa.org/eis

LEADING PLACES OF ORIGIN FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS IN THE STATE

Rank	Place of Origin	% Total
1	China	30.4
2	India	16.9
3	South Korea	9.1
4	Saudi Arabia	3.3
5	Nigeria	2.1

INSTITUTIONS WITH THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Institution	City	Total
Georgia Institute of Technology	Atlanta	6,029
Savannah College of Art and Design	Savannah	3,519
Emory University	Atlanta	3,104
Georgia State University	Atlanta	2,675
University of Georgia	Athens	2,265

AMERICAN STUDENTS ABROAD

Study Abroad	2015/16	2016/17
Total Number of U.S. Students Studying Abroad for Academic Credit	11,429	11,417

STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE FUNDED PROGRAMS

Exchange Program	Fulbright		Gilman	
	2017/18	2018/19	2016/17	2017/18
U.S. students from colleges and universities in the state	42	42	126	130
International students at colleges and universities in the state	168	172		

Source: Open Doors: Report on International Educational Exchange, published annually by IIE with support from the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. For more information, including press releases on foreign students in the U.S. and U.S. study abroad, and FAQs, including definitions of foreign students and foreign scholars, visit www.iie.org/opendoors or contact IIE's Public Affairs office at: +1(202) 326-7765.



APPENDIX B: GEORGIA BENEFITS FROM INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Reference:

https://www.nafsa.org/Policy_and_Advocacy/Policy_Resources/Policy_Trends_and_Data/NAFSA_International_Student_Economic_Value_Tool/



GEORGIA Benefits from International Students

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION	\$808.6 million
JOBS SUPPORTED	10,254
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ENROLLED	22,789



TOP HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (DOLLARS AND JOBS)

1	Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta	\$182.0 million supporting 2,817 jobs
2	Savannah College of Art and Design, Savannah	\$175.3 million supporting 1,155 jobs
3	Emory University, Atlanta	\$155.1 million supporting 2,565 jobs
4	Georgia State University, Atlanta	\$81.0 million supporting 1,170 jobs
5	University of Georgia, Athens	\$65.6 million supporting 1,017 jobs
6	Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw	\$20.9 million supporting 283 jobs
7	Mercer University, Macon	\$14.2 million supporting 204 jobs
8	Georgia Southern University, Statesboro	\$13.7 million supporting 183 jobs
9	Georgia State University: Perimeter College, Clarkston	\$13.5 million supporting 85 jobs
10	Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta	\$13.3 million supporting 184 jobs

THE NATIONAL BENEFITS BEYOND GEORGIA

International students studying at U.S. colleges and universities contribute **\$39.0 billion** and support **455,622 jobs** to the U.S. economy.* For every seven international students enrolled, three U.S. jobs are created and supported by spending occurring in the higher education, accommodation, dining, retail, transportation, telecommunications and health insurance sectors.

The economic contributions of international students are in addition to the immeasurable academic and cultural value these students bring to our campuses and local communities. For a more detailed analysis, access NAFSA's *International Student Economic Value Tool* at nafsa.org/economicvalue.

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* Sources used in NAFSA economic analysis: U.S. Department of Education, U.S. Department of Commerce, and Institute of International Education for 2017-2018 Academic Year.

GEORGIA HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (DOLLARS AND JOBS)

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6	Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw	\$20.9 million	283
7	Mercer University, Macon	\$14.2 million	204
8	Georgia Southern University, Statesboro	\$13.7 million	183
9	Georgia State University: Perimeter College, Clarkston	\$13.5 million	85
10	Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta	\$13.3 million	184
11	Valdosta State University, Valdosta	\$7.2 million	99
12	University of North Georgia, Dahlonega	\$7.2 million	45
13	University of West Georgia, Carrollton	\$4.9 million	68
14	Columbus State University, Columbus	\$4.7 million	30
15	Darton State College, Albany	\$4.5 million	27
16	Georgia Gwinnette College, Lawrenceville	\$4.0 million	25
17	Georgia Regents University, Augusta	\$3.9 million	56
18	Brenau University, Gainesville	\$3.8 million	25
19	Clayton State University, Morrow	\$3.4 million	22
20	Agnes Scott College, Decatur	\$2.9 million	19
21	Oglethorpe University, Atlanta	\$2.4 million	16
22	Georgia College and State University, Milledgeville	\$2.3 million	15
23	Chattahoochee Technical College, Marietta	\$2.3 million	13
24	Young Harris College, Young Harris	\$2.0 million	13
25	Armstrong Atlantic State University, Savannah	\$1.9 million	12
26	Savannah State University, Savannah	\$1.7 million	11
27	Georgia Southwestern State University, Americus	\$1.5 million	9
28	DeVry University - Georgia, Decatur	\$1.4 million	9
29	Emmanuel College, Franklin Springs	\$1.4 million	9
30	Middle Georgia State - Cochran, Cochran	\$1.1 million	7
31	College of Coastal Georgia, Brunswick	\$1.0 million	6
32	Shorter University, Rome	\$1.0 million	6
33	Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur	\$1.0 million	6
34	Albany State University, Albany	\$896,788	6
35	Dalton State College, Dalton	\$704,663	4
36	Spelman College, Atlanta	\$623,114	4
37	Fort Valley State University, Fort Valley	\$517,903	3

38	Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, Tifton	\$501,628	3
39	Berry College, Mount Berry	\$482,070	3
40	Central Georgia Technical College, Macon	\$454,328	3
41	Middle Georgia State University, Macon	\$364,302	2
42	LaGrange College, La Grange	\$248,181	2
43	Atlanta Metropolitan State College, Atlanta	\$239,180	1
44	Toccoa Falls College, Toccoa Falls	\$238,919	2
45	Morehouse School of Medicine, Atlanta	\$228,154	1
46	Paine College, Augusta	\$221,734	1
47	Columbus Technical College, Columbus	\$170,344	1
48	Georgia Highlands College, Rome	\$166,261	1
49	Athens Technical College, Athens	\$149,954	1
50	East Georgia State College, Swainsboro	\$90,005	1
51	Gordon State College, Barnesville	\$85,954	1

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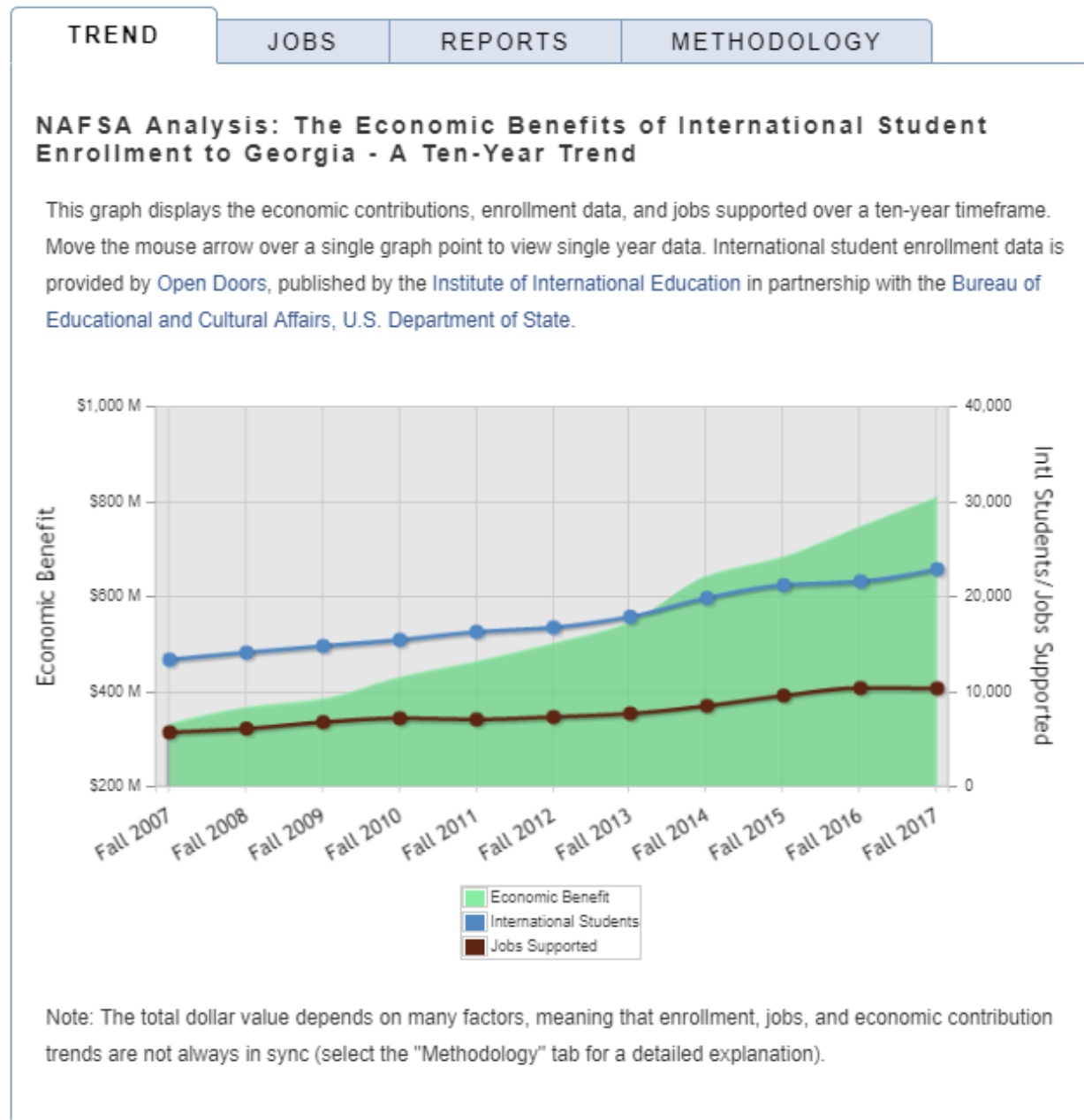
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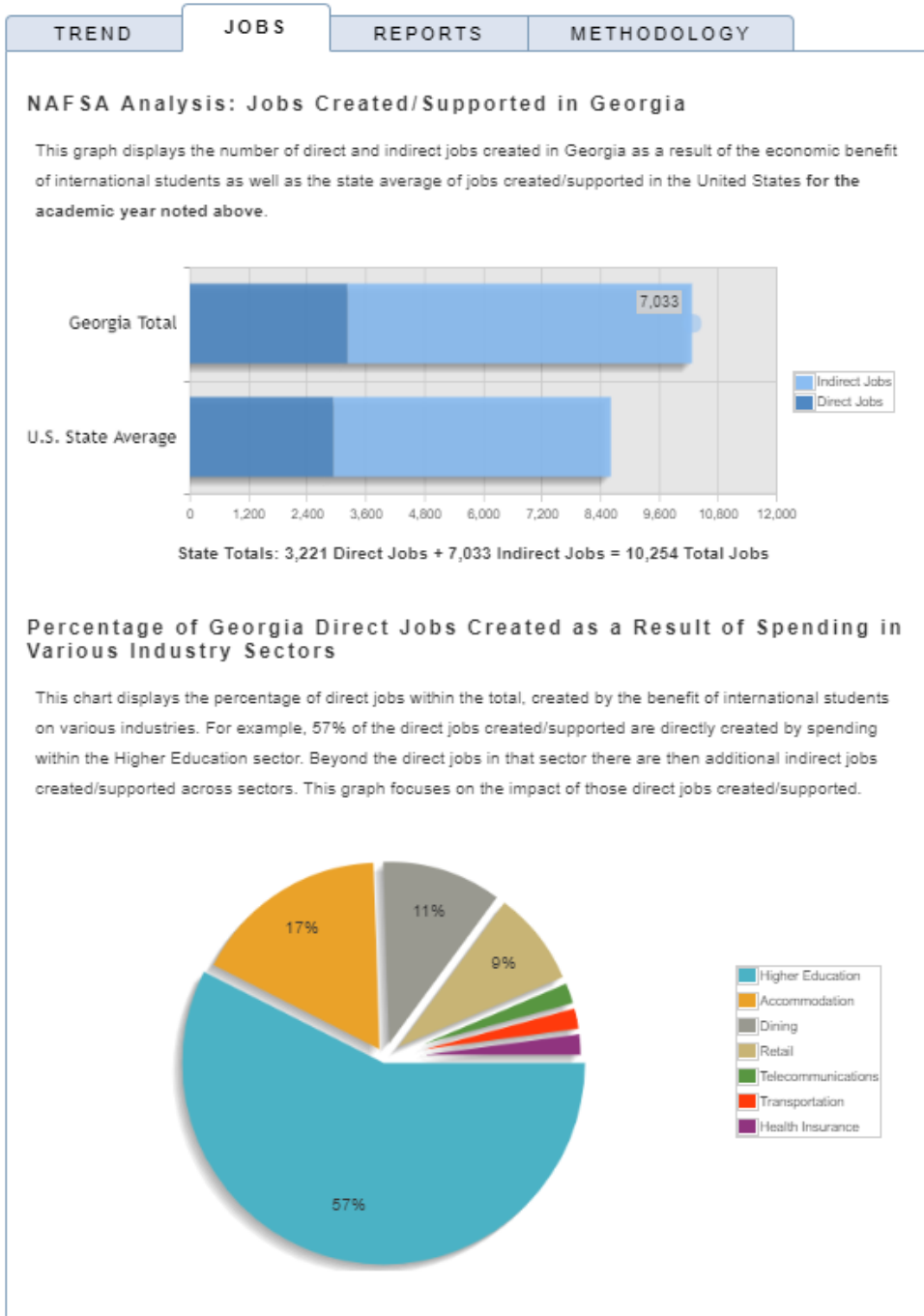
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APPENDIX C: LEADING PLACES OF ORIGIN OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

All Places of Origin		Leading Places of Origin		Academic Level & Places of Ori...	
<h3>Leading Places of Origin</h3> <p>INTERNATIONAL STUDENT DATA FROM THE 2018 OPEN DOORS® REPORT</p>					
Select a Year: <input type="text" value="2017/18"/>		Search Leading Places of Origin: <input type="text"/>			
Rank	Place of Origin	Number of Students	% of Total	% Change	
1	China	363,341	33.2	3.6	
2	India	196,271	17.9	5.4	
3	South Korea	54,555	5.0	-7.0	
4	Saudi Arabia	44,432	4.1	-15.5	
5	Canada	25,909	2.4	-4.3	
6	Vietnam	24,325	2.2	8.4	
7	Taiwan	22,454	2.1	4.4	
8	Japan	18,753	1.7	-0.1	
9	Mexico	15,468	1.4	-8.1	
10	Brazil	14,620	1.3	11.7	
11	Nepal	13,270	1.2	14.3	
12	Iran	12,783	1.2	1.1	
13	Nigeria	12,693	1.2	8.4	
14	United Kingdom	11,460	1.0	-0.3	
15	Turkey	10,520	1.0	-0.6	
16	Kuwait	10,190	0.9	3.7	

APPENDIX D: LEADING DESTINATIONS OF STUDY ABROAD STUDENTS

Leading Destinations		All Destinations		
Leading Destinations				
U.S. STUDY ABROAD DATA FROM THE 2018 OPEN DOORS® REPORT				
Academic Year: ▼				
2016/17 ▼				
Rank	Destination	Number of Students	% of Total	% Change
	WORLD TOTAL	332,727	100.0	2.3
1	United Kingdom	39,851	12.0	1.8
2	Italy	35,366	10.6	1.4
3	Spain	31,230	9.4	4.2
4	France	16,462	4.9	-4.4
5	Germany	12,585	3.8	5.8
6	China	11,910	3.6	1.9
7	Ireland	11,492	3.5	3.8
8	Australia	10,400	3.1	9.1
9	Costa Rica	8,322	2.5	-9.9