



Impacting Student Success: *A Look at Who Lives On-Campus and Who Changes Their Major*

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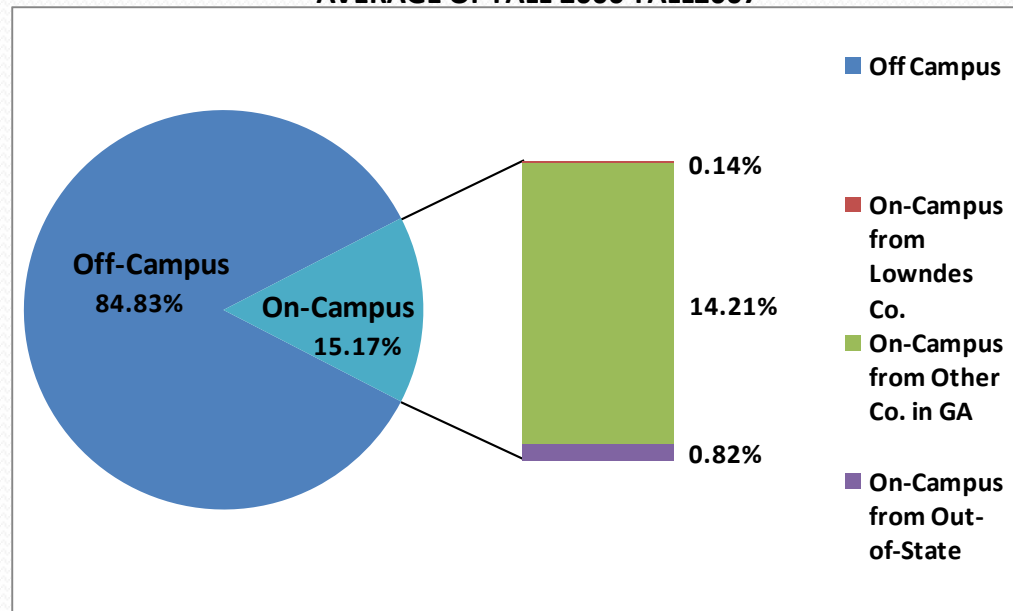
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Who's On-Campus?

- Exhibit 1 shows the average percent of students living on and off-campus by the students' original location. The numbers shown below represent an average from all semesters (Fall, Spring, and Summer) beginning Fall 2000 to Fall 2007.
- Of the total student population, 84.83% of VSU's students lived off campus, while 15.17% of the total student population lived on-campus.
- Of the 15.17% of students that resided on-campus 14.21% were originally from other counties in Georgia other than Lowndes County.

**EXHIBIT 1: PERCENT OF STUDENTS ON OR OFF-CAMPUS BY LOCATION,
AVERAGE OF FALL 2000-FALL2007**



Source: VSU SRA Office, June 2008

Note: This graph represents an average of all semesters (Fall, Spring, and Summer) from Fall 2000-Fall 2007.

Who's On-Campus

- Exhibit 2 shows the percent of students living on and off-campus by original location averaged from Fall 2000 to Fall 2007. An average of 20.03% of students lived on-campus each Fall semester. Of the students that resided on campus, 18.86% of those students were previously from a county within Georgia, excluding Lowndes County.
- Exhibit 3 shows the average percent of students living on and off-campus by original location from Spring 2001 to Spring 2007. An average of 19.73% of students lived on-campus each Spring semester. Of the students that resided on-campus, 18.43% of those students were previously from a county within Georgia, excluding Lowndes County.

EXHIBIT 2: PERCENT OF STUDENTS ON OR OFF-CAMPUS BY LOCATION, AVERAGE OF FALL 2000-FALL 2007

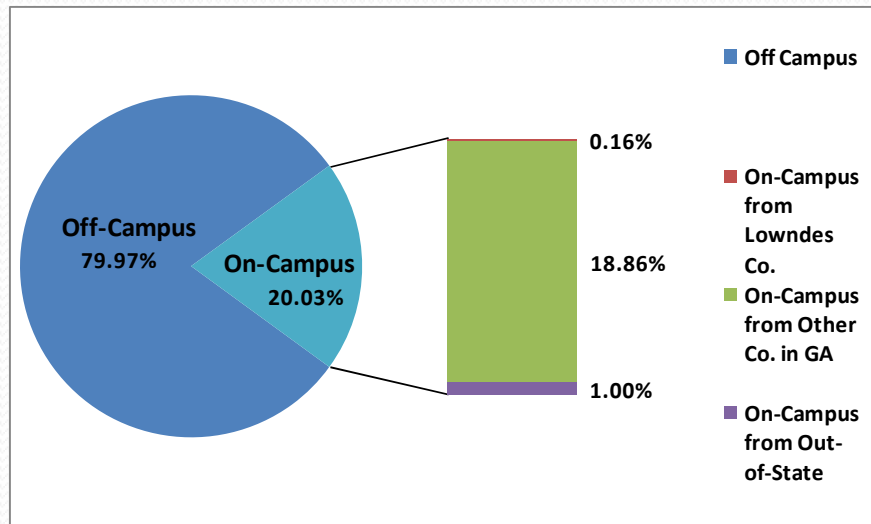
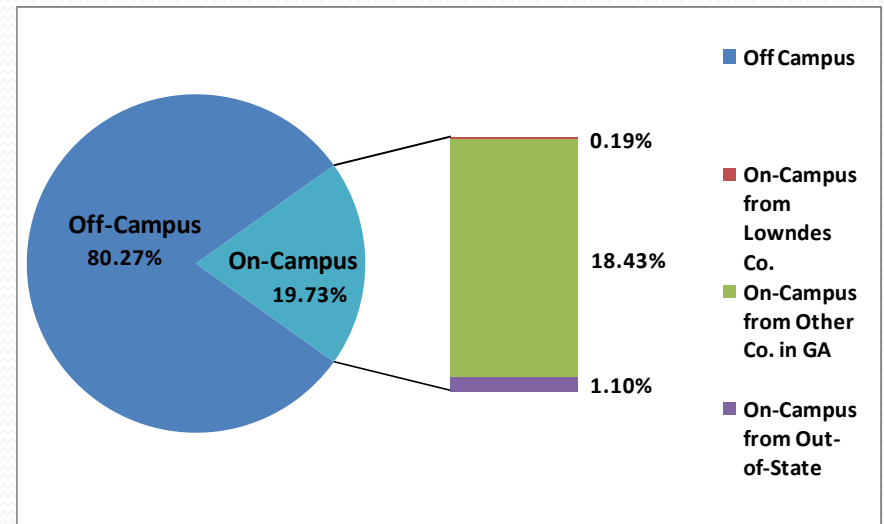


EXHIBIT 3: PERCENT OF STUDENTS ON OR OFF-CAMPUS BY LOCATION, AVERAGE OF SPRING 2001-SPRING 2007



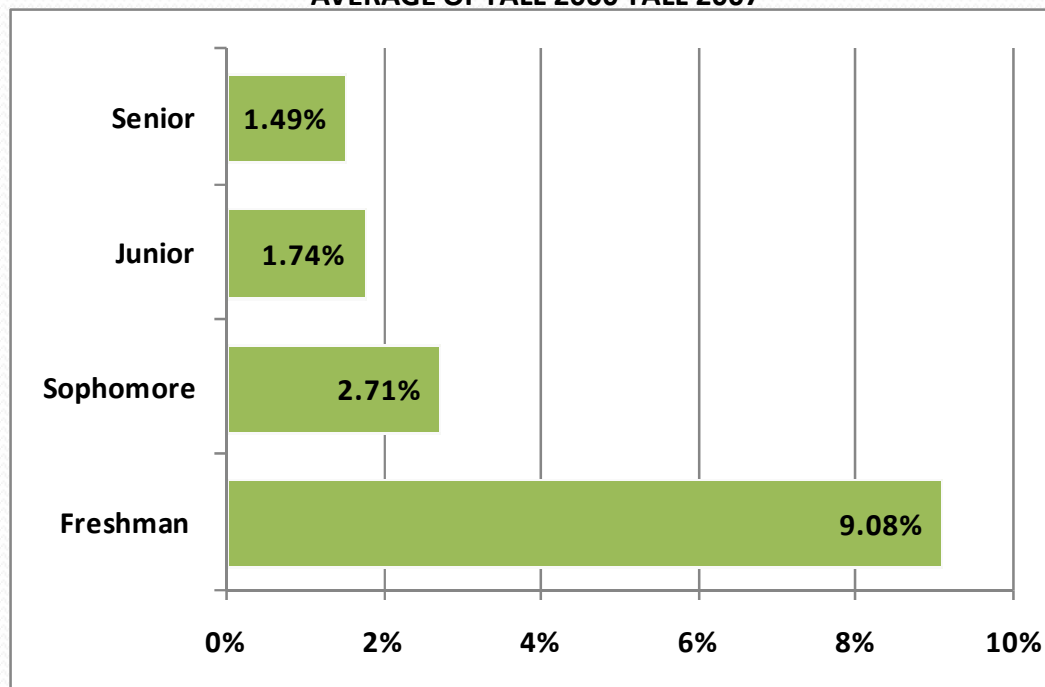
Source: VSU SRA Office, June 2008

Note: Exhibit 2 shows an average of only the Fall semesters from Fall 2000-Fall 2007. Exhibit 3 shows an average of only the Spring semesters from Spring 2001-Spring 2007.

Who's Living On-Campus?

- Exhibit 4 shows the average percent of students that lived on campus, by student level, from Fall 2000 to Fall 2007.
- There was an average of 14.98% of undergraduate students living on-campus during any semester from Fall 2000-Fall 2007. Of the total percent (14.98), 9.08% of the undergraduate population were classified as Freshman.
- The remaining 5.94% of students were classified as sophomores, juniors, or seniors.

**EXHIBIT 4: PERCENT OF STUDENTS ON-CAMPUS BY STUDENT LEVEL,
AVERAGE OF FALL 2000-FALL 2007**



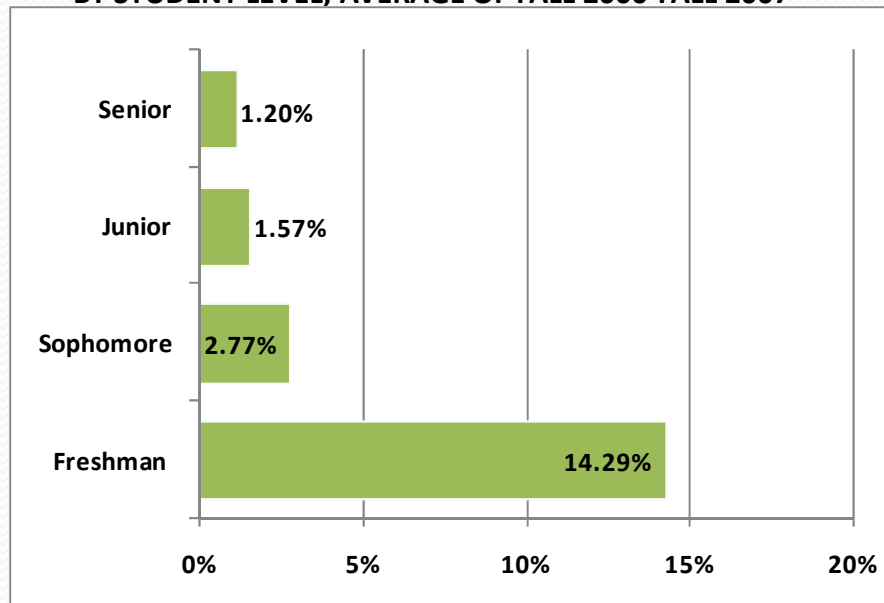
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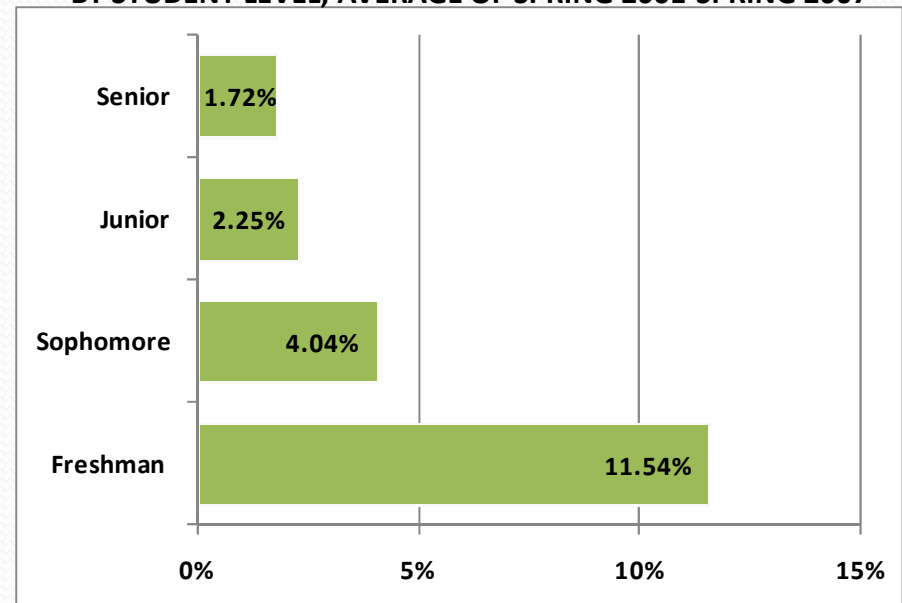
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- Exhibit 5 shows the percent of undergraduate students living on-campus during the Fall semester, by student level, averaged from 2000 to 2007. Of the 19.83% of undergraduate students living on-campus each Fall, 14.29% students were Freshmen.
- Exhibit 6 shows the percent of undergraduate students living on-campus during the Spring semester, by student level, averaged from 2001 to 2007. Of the 19.55% of undergraduate students living on-campus each Spring, 11.54% students were Freshmen.

**EXHIBIT 5: PERCENT OF STUDENTS ON-CAMPUS
BY STUDENT LEVEL, AVERAGE OF FALL 2000-FALL 2007**



**EXHIBIT 6: PERCENT OF STUDENTS ON-CAMPUS
BY STUDENT LEVEL, AVERAGE OF SPRING 2001-SPRING 2007**



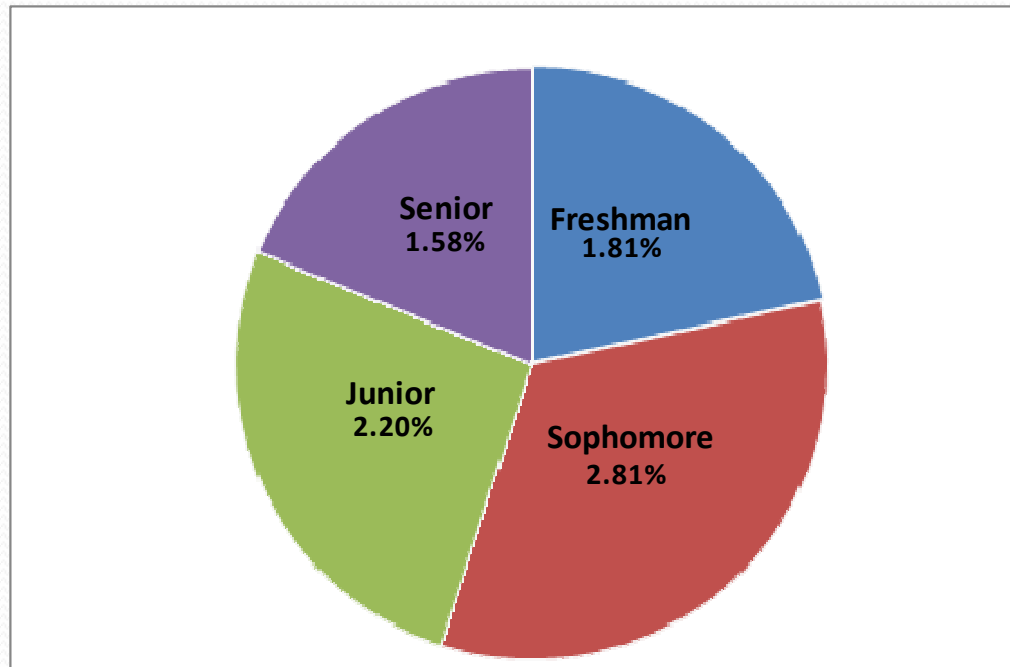
Source: VSU SRA Office, June 2008

Note: Exhibit 5 shows an average of only the Fall semesters from Fall 2000-Fall 2007. Exhibit 6 shows an average of only the Spring semesters from Spring 2001-Spring 2007.

Who's Changing Their Major?

- Exhibit 7 shows the percent of students that changed majors, by student level, averaged from Fall 2000 to Fall 2007.
- During each semester, an average of 8.40% of undergraduate students change their major at VSU.
- Sophomore students were the most likely to change their major.

**EXHIBIT 7: PERCENT OF STUDENTS THAT CHANGED MAJORS
BY STUDENT LEVEL, AVERAGE OF FALL 2000-FALL 2007**



Source: VSU SRA Office, June 2008

Note: This graph represents an average of all semesters (Fall, Spring, and Summer) from Fall 2000-Fall 2007.

Who's Changing Their Major?

- Exhibit 8 shows the percent of students that changed majors, by student level, each Fall from 2000 to 2007 (averaged). Exhibit 9 shows the average percent of students that changed majors, by student level, each Spring from 2001 to 2007 (averaged).
- A total average of 7.67% of undergraduate students changed their major during the Fall semester, while 9.97% of undergraduate students changed their major during the Spring semester.
- In both the Fall and Spring semesters, sophomore students change their major at a higher percentage than any other group of undergraduate students.

EXHIBIT 8: PERCENT OF STUDENTS THAT CHANGED MAJORS BY STUDENT LEVEL, AVERAGE OF FALL 2000-FALL 2007

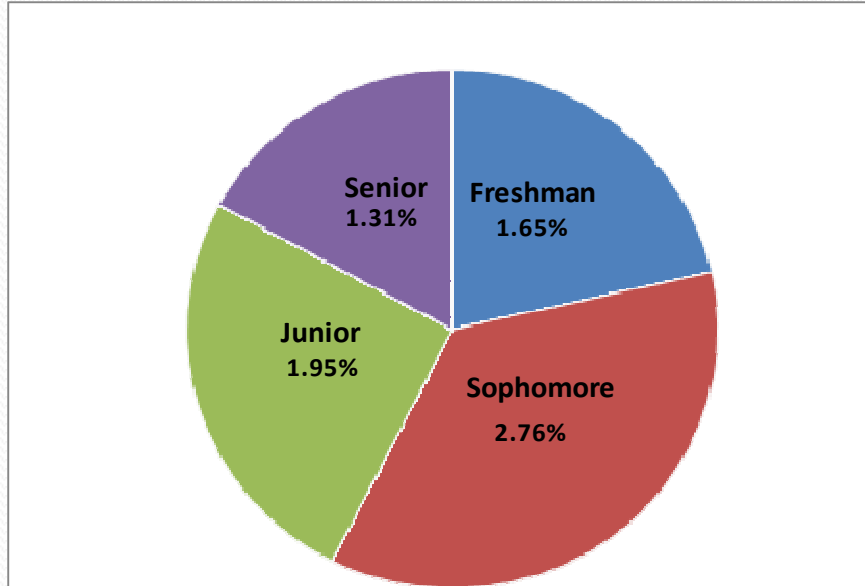
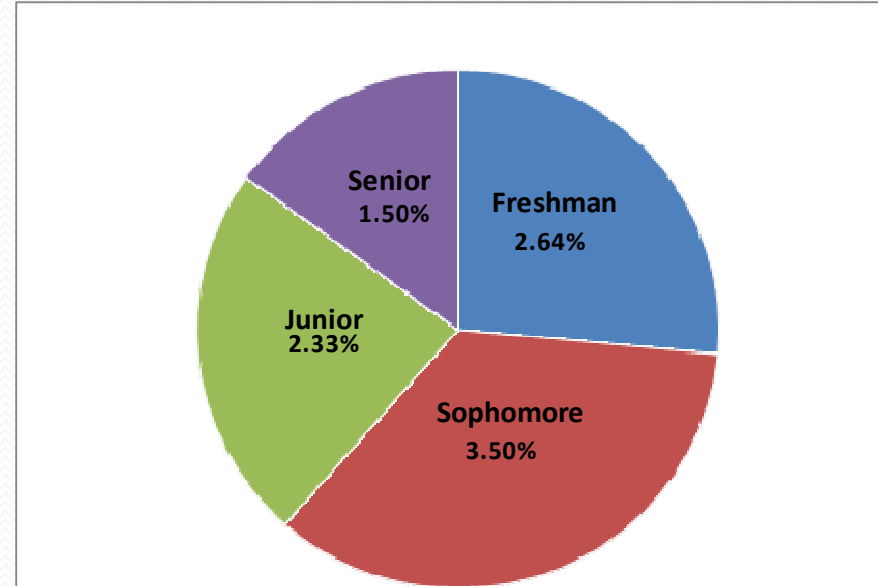


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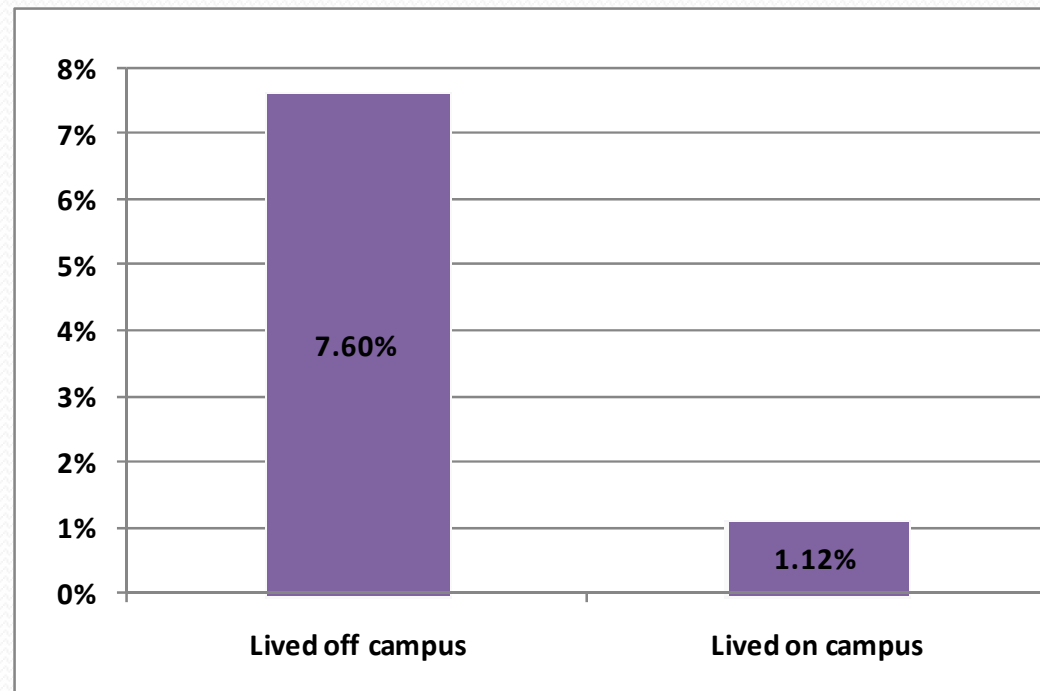
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Where Do the Students Reside?

- Exhibit 10 shows the percent of students who changed their major in relation to their housing selection from averaged Fall 2000 to Fall 2007.
- Of the 8.72% of VSU students that changed majors during a semester, 7.60% of those students lived off campus.

EXHIBIT 10: PERCENT OF STUDENTS WHO CHANGED MAJORS LIVING OFF OR ON-CAMPUS , AVERAGE OF FALL 2000-FALL 2007



Source: VSU SRA Office, June 2008

Note: This graph represents an average of all semesters (Fall, Spring, and Summer) from Fall 2000-Fall 2007.

Where Do the Students Reside?

- Exhibit 11 shows the percent of students who changed majors by the students' housing selection each Fall averaged from 2000-2007.
- Of the 7.89% of students that changed their major during the Fall semester, 7.04% of those students lived off-campus.
- Exhibit 12 shows the percent of students who changed majors by the students' housing selection each Spring averaged from 2001-2007.
- Of the 10.25% of students that changed their major during the Spring semester, 8.18% of those students lived off-campus.

EXHIBIT 11: PERCENT OF STUDENTS WHO CHANGED MAJORS LIVING ON OR OFF-CAMPUS, AVERAGE OF FALL 2000-FALL 2007

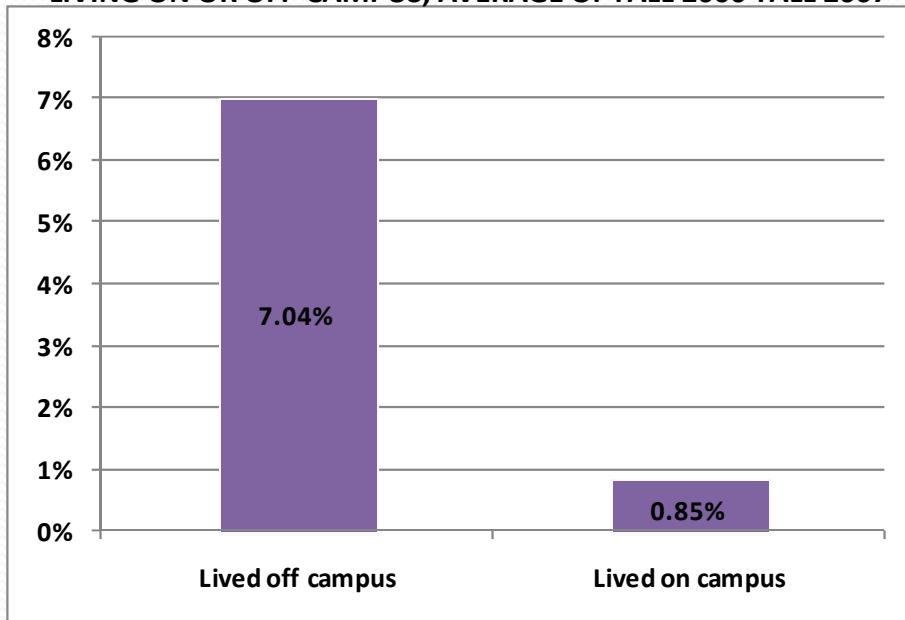
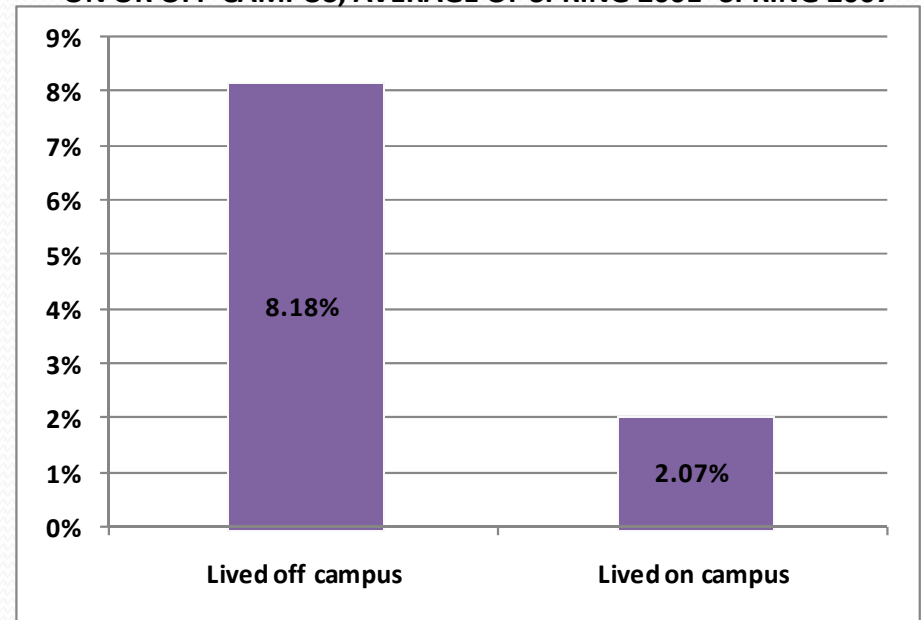


EXHIBIT 12: PERCENT OF STUDENTS WHO CHANGED MAJORS LIVING ON OR OFF-CAMPUS, AVERAGE OF SPRING 2001- SPRING 2007



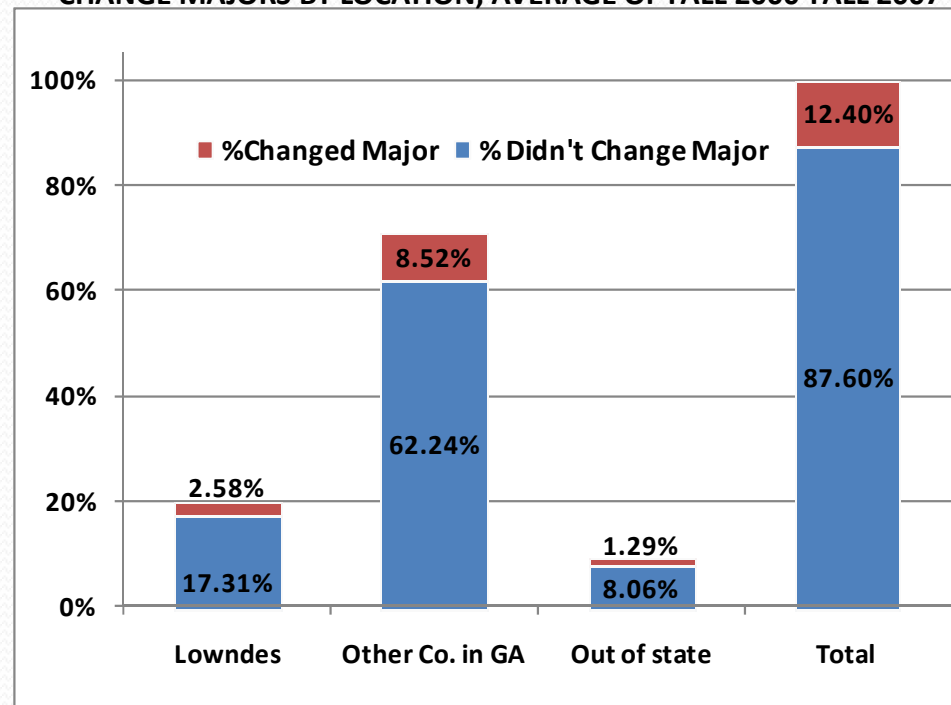
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Where Are the Students From?

- Exhibit 13 shows the percent of students that changed majors by the students' original location, averaged from Fall 2000 to Fall 2007.
- An average of 87.60% of the overall student population did not change their major. Of the 12.40% of students that did change their major, 8.52% of those students resided outside of Lowndes County prior to attending VSU.

EXHIBIT 13: PERCENT OF STUDENTS THAT CHANGED OR DID NOT CHANGE MAJORS BY LOCATION, AVERAGE OF FALL 2000-FALL 2007



Source: VSU SRA Office, June 2008

Note: This graph represents an average of all semesters (Fall, Spring, and Summer) from Fall 2000-Fall 2007.

Where Are the Students From?

- Exhibit 14 shows the percent of students that changed majors by the students' location prior to attending VSU from Fall 2000-2007. Each Fall, 7.88% of students changed their major, on average. Of those students who changed majors, 5.41% of students originated from other counties in Georgia other than Lowndes County.
- Exhibit 15 shows the average percent of students that changed majors by the students' location prior to attending VSU from Spring 2001-2007. Each Spring, 10.25% of students changed their major, on average. Of those students who changed their major, 7.20% of students originated from other counties in Georgia other than Lowndes County.

EXHIBIT 14: PERCENT OF STUDENTS THAT CHANGED MAJORS BY LOCATION, AVERAGE OF FALL 2000-FALL 2007

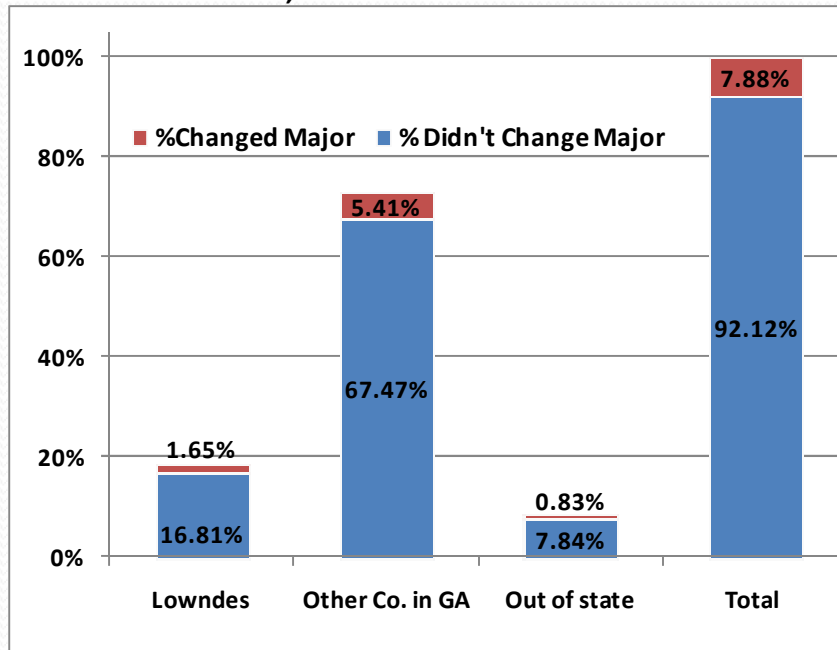
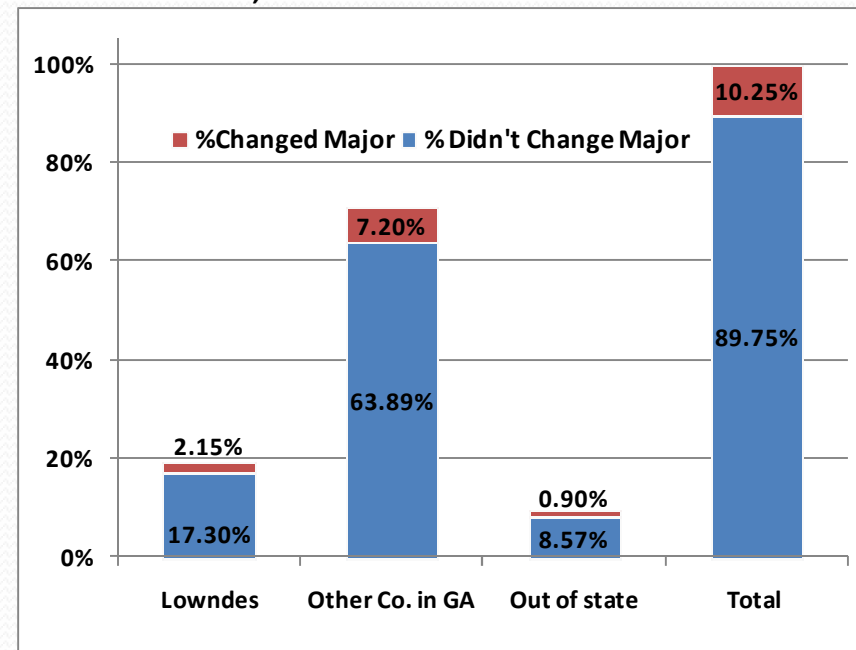


EXHIBIT 15: PERCENT OF STUDENTS THAT CHANGED MAJORS BY LOCATION, AVERAGE OF SPRING 2001-SPRING 2007



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