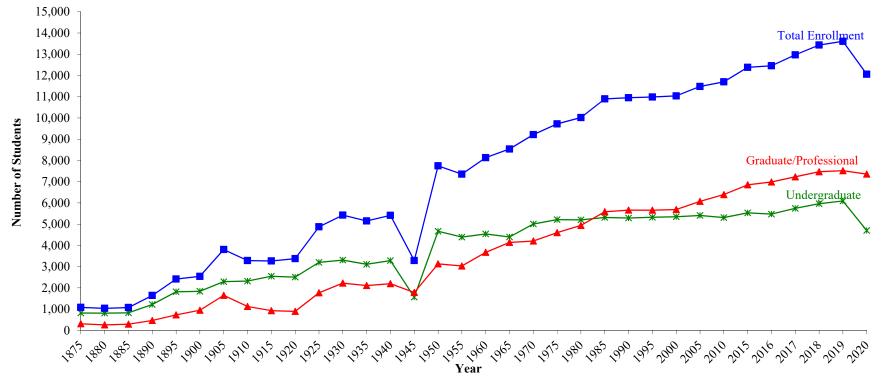
Yale University Student Enrollment 1875-2020 (a)



(a) For purposes of counting students here, 1875 was chosen as a starting point for this figure only because we are more certain about classifying a program as undergraduate or graduate/professional. Data for 1875-1975 are taken from George W. Pierson's A Yale Book of Numbers. For those years, "Undergraduate" includes Yale College students, "Research & Special Students Not Candidates for Degrees," and students in the Sheffield Scientific School. Because we do not know whether or not these "Special" or "Research" students were all undergraduates, the number reported here may be inflated. For those same years (1875-1975), because it was unclear who was included in the categories of "Teacher" and "Teachers and Others in Extension Courses," for the purpose of consistency with data for more current years these categories are not included and so will not agree with totals in the original book. For those early years, Mr. Pierson also deducted students who were "entered twice," i.e., enrolled in joint-degree programs. These counts reflect those deductions made by Mr. Pierson. The distinct drop in enrollment in the early 1940s was due to effects of World War II.

From 1980-81 to the present, "Special Students" are included in the appropriate undergraduate/graduate categories. As a result, the total number of undergraduate and graduate students here may vary from the totals reported in other tables, but the grand total enrollment remains the same.

Enrollment for Fall 2005 includes 11 undergraduate and 13 graduate/professional students who were displaced due to Hurricane Katrina.

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