

**Annual Report on  
AB 540 Tuition Exemptions  
2008-09 Academic Year**

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This report presents current and historical data regarding the University of California's implementation of AB 540, a California law enacted in 2001 to exempt students who meet certain eligibility requirements from paying nonresident tuition at California public colleges and universities. The report includes a brief overview of AB 540, an analysis of general trends in AB 540 exemptions at UC, and detailed tables regarding AB 540 utilization during the 2008-09 academic year.

**I. Overview of AB 540**

California Assembly Bill 540 (AB 540) was signed into law in October 2001 and provides that students meeting all of the following requirements are exempt from paying nonresident tuition at California public colleges and universities:

1. The student attended a high school in California for three or more years.
2. The student graduated from a California high school, received a High School Equivalency Certificate issued by the California State General Education Development (GED) Office, or received a Certificate of Proficiency resulting from the California High School Proficiency Examination. Note that, beginning in 2006, graduation from a California public high school requires that students pass the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE).
3. The student does not hold any of the following non-immigrant<sup>1</sup> visas: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, TN, TD and V, and TROV and NATO.

The third provision above limits eligibility to U.S. citizens, legal permanent residents, students with immigrant visas (including approved petitioners), and students with no legal immigration status ("undocumented" students). AB 540 requires undocumented students who meet the other eligibility requirements to certify they are taking steps to legalize their immigration status or will do so as soon as they are eligible.

In enacting AB 540, the State recognized that many high school students have attended elementary and secondary schools in California for most of their lives, and are likely to remain in the state, but are precluded from obtaining an affordable college education because they are required to pay nonresident tuition. The bill specifically acknowledged that its provisions apply to all eligible students, including undocumented students.

Undocumented students face four major barriers in attending public colleges and universities that other students do not. First, under The Federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (PRWORA) of 1996, they are ineligible to receive any aid from the Federal government, such as Pell Grants and Federal student loans. PRWORA also prevents states from

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<sup>1</sup> Non-immigrants are defined by federal immigration law.

offering public benefits (e.g. Cal Grants) to undocumented students unless the state passes a statute expressly qualifying undocumented students for such benefits. Second, since the enactment of anti-terrorism legislation known as the Patriot Act of 2001, undocumented students also cannot obtain private education loans from commercial lenders because they have difficulty authenticating their identity. Third, a 1990 California court decision under *Bradford v. Regents*, found that undocumented students cannot establish California residency under California law. Lastly, the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 (IIRIRA) bars states from extending benefits on the basis of residency (e.g. residence classifications for tuition purposes) to undocumented students unless the same benefit is offered to all U.S. citizens regardless of their residency.

AB 540 addressed these last two barriers by allowing students—including undocumented students—to be exempt from paying nonresident tuition based on criteria related to their high school attendance, not their state of residence. As an act of the state legislature, it also satisfied the terms of PRWORA. Note that undocumented immigrants are still not eligible for Cal Grants or other state aid.

To conform to PRWORA, the UC Regents conditionally approved a systemwide tuition exemption for nonresident UC students who meet the AB 540 criteria. The exemption became effective April 8, 2002, following passage of AB 1543, a bill that made public higher education institutions immune from any imposition of monetary damages if the courts ruled AB 540 as unlawful. The exemption was implemented for the 2002 spring term.

As noted above, the AB 540 tuition exemption program was intended to improve access for students who have attended and graduated from California high schools but who are nevertheless subject to nonresident tuition. This group includes documented students who do not qualify for California residency, as well as students who are precluded from establishing California residency because they lack documentation permitting their legal presence in the country. Examples of such students include:

- U.S.-born offspring of immigrant parents who chose to return to their native country, but left their children in California with relatives because of the better K-12 opportunities here (so-called “parachute children”).
- Students from other states attending boarding school in California.
- Graduate students who attended high school in California, attended college out-of-state, and returned to California to pursue graduate studies. Domestic graduate students can establish California residency after one year, but during their first year they must pay nonresident tuition; under AB 540, a returning graduate student would be able to avoid nonresident tuition during his first year at UC.

The tuition exemptions provide a significant source of support for recipients. For documented nonresident undergraduates, the exemptions make their financial support comparable to aid awarded to California residents. Undocumented students remain ineligible for any other type of federal, state, or University support. For these students, the exemptions provide relief from nonresident tuition but do not address their need to fund all of their in-state expenses (e.g., fees, books and

supplies, housing and food, transportation, health insurance, and miscellaneous personal expenses). Undocumented students must cover these expenses by using their own or their family's resources or private scholarships from outside agencies.

## **II. Trends in the Utilization of AB 540 Tuition Exemptions**

### ***Trends by Student Level and Documentation Status***

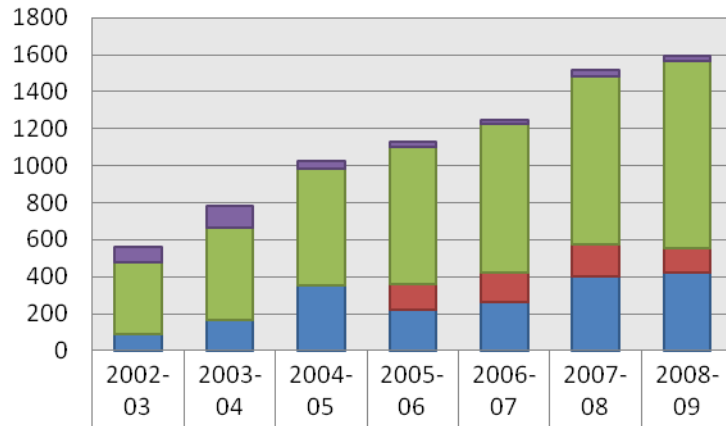
The Corporate Student System (CSS), which serves as the source of all data presented in this report, contains no data element that would allow the University to unambiguously identify the documentation status of every UC student. For purposes of this report, however, AB 540 recipients are grouped into the following four categories:

- *Documented:* Students who appear in the CSS as U.S. citizens, legal permanent residents, or holders of an immigrant visa.
- *Indeterminate:* Students who have no identifiable documentation status in the CSS, but have some characteristics that suggest they may be documented (e.g., a non-blank social security number).
- *Potentially Undocumented:* Students who appear in the CSS with no identifiable documentation status and no other indication they may be documented students.
- *Other:* *Students who appear* in the CSS as approved petitioners for immigrant visas. Approved petitioners are not subject to deportation, but they are also *not capable* of establishing residency or receiving Federal, State or UC aid.

The number of AB 540 recipients has increased each year since the program's inception. These increases have occurred at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. Displays 1A, 1B, and 1C show that the overall number of recipients more than doubled between 2002-03 and 2008-09 (from 722 to 2,019). This group, however, increased by only 4% between the last two years (from 1,941 to 2,019), which points to a leveling off of AB 540 recipients.

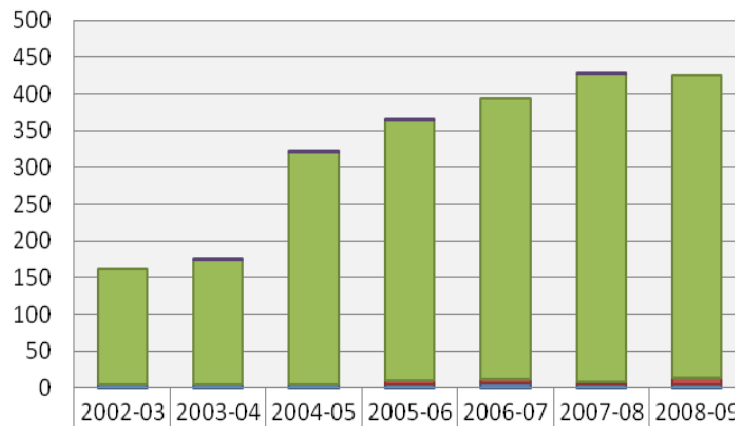
Note that documented students have accounted for approximately 70% or more of the AB 540 recipients in every year since the program's inception. The proportion of documented students is particularly high among graduate students, where they comprise over 96% of the total in every academic year.

**Display 1A  
Undergraduate AB 540 Recipients by  
Documentation Status**

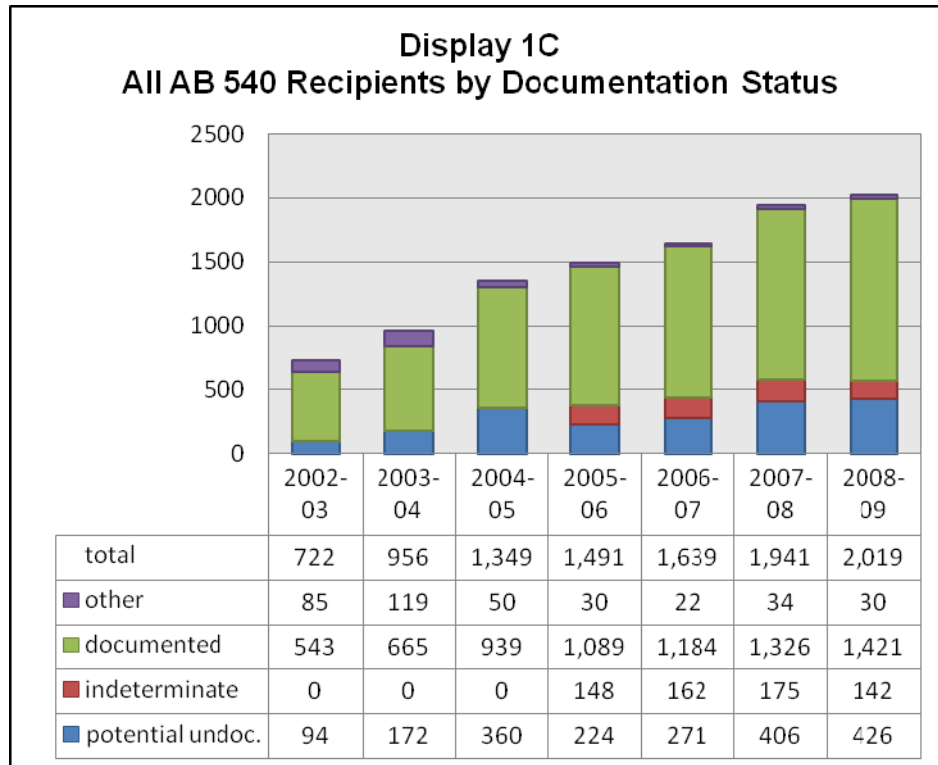


total	561	781	1,027	1,125	1,246	1,514	1,594
other	85	118	48	28	22	33	30
documented	387	496	624	735	803	909	1,010
indeterminate	0	0	0	143	156	170	133
potential undoc.	89	167	355	219	265	402	421

**Display 1B  
Graduate AB 540 Recipients by Documentation  
Status**



total	161	175	322	366	393	427	425
other	0	1	2	2	0	1	0
documented	156	169	315	354	381	417	411
indeterminate	0	0	0	5	6	5	9
potential undoc.	5	5	5	5	6	4	5



### ***Trends by Registration Status***

Displays 2A, 2B, and 2C below show the recent trend in AB 540 utilization among new and continuing students by student level. At the undergraduate level, the number of new AB 540 recipients has increased each year since 2003-04. The increase may reflect a variety of factors, including: 1) A greater number of high school students who meet the eligibility criteria for both AB 540 and admission to UC, and 2) greater awareness of the benefit provided by AB 540, resulting in more AB 540-eligible students who apply to and enroll at UC. The rate of increase, however, has slowed; the number of new undergraduate recipients in 2008-09 increased by only 7% (from 527 to 565), the slowest rate of increase since 2003-04.

At the graduate level, an increase in AB 540 utilization among new students in 2008-09 was more than offset by a decrease among continuing students.

It is difficult to predict how the number of AB 540 recipients will change in the near term. Initially, the total number of AB 540 recipients increased rapidly each year as additional cohorts of students were enrolled under the program. We suspect this number will reach a “steady state” once new AB 540 recipients roughly equal those who graduate or withdraw each year.

**Display 2A**  
**Undergraduate AB 540 Recipients by Registration Status**

<b>Undergraduate</b>							
Registration Status	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
New	320	306	338	429	476	527	565
Continuing	241	475	689	696	770	987	1,029
Total	561	781	1,027	1,125	1,246	1,514	1,594

**Display 2B**  
**Graduate AB 540 Recipients by Registration Status**

<b>Graduate</b>							
Registration Status	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
New	93	108	172	177	166	169	192
Continuing	68	67	150	189	227	258	233
Total	161	175	322	366	393	427	425

**Display 2C**  
**All AB 540 Recipients by Registration Status**

<b>All Students</b>							
Registration Status	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
New	413	414	510	606	642	696	757
Continuing	309	542	839	885	997	1,245	1,262
Total	722	956	1,349	1,491	1,639	1,941	2,019

***Trends by Ethnicity***

As shown in Displays 3A, 3B, and 3C<sup>2</sup> below, the ethnic distribution of AB 540 recipients has been relatively stable since the program began. In each year of the program's existence, Asians have comprised approximately 45% to 55% of the total, Latinos between 25% and 30%, and Whites/Caucasians between 5% and 16%.

The ethnic distribution of AB 540 recipients differs by documentation status, however. Among documented undergraduates, Asian students represent the largest group at about 59%, followed by Latino students at approximately 25%. In contrast, among potentially undocumented undergraduates, Asian and Latino students are about equal.

The distribution also differs by level. White/Caucasian students consistently represent half or more of all graduate AB 540 recipients, a far greater share than they do among undergraduate recipients.

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<sup>2</sup> For 2005-2006 through 2007-2008, the "potentially undocumented" and "indeterminate" categories are combined in order to provide comparability with how recipients were classified in prior years.

**Display 3A**  
**Undergraduate AB 540 Recipients by Ethnicity and Documentation Status**

Year	Status	American Indian	Asian	Black/ Af. Am.	Latino	Other/ Unknown	White/ Caucasian	Total
2002-03	Doc.	2	252	8	61	22	49	394
	Pot. Undoc.	0	38	0	39	2	6	85
	Other	0	41	1	26	9	8	85
2003-04	Doc.	1	324	12	91	26	55	509
	Pot. Undoc.	0	64	0	80	3	7	154
	Other	0	62	1	35	13	7	118
2004-05	Doc.	0	409	18	115	32	65	639
	Pot. Undoc.	0	149	0	157	15	19	340
	Other	0	28	0	12	4	4	48
2005-06	Doc.	1	452	23	155	38	66	735
	Pot. Undoc.	0	144	0	190	11	17	362
	Other	0	18	1	6	2	1	28
2006-07	Doc.	1	471	24	198	38	71	803
	Pot. Undoc.	0	174	2	216	14	15	421
	Other	0	16	0	5	0	1	22
2007-08	Doc.	2	552	23	215	41	76	909
	Pot. Undoc.	0	263	3	263	20	23	572
	Other	0	29	0	3	0	1	33
2008-09	Doc.	0	600	27	248	43	92	1,010
	Pot. Undoc.	0	252	2	271	14	15	554
	Other	0	23	0	6	0	1	30

**Display 3B**  
**Graduate AB 540 Recipients by Ethnicity and Documentation Status**

Year	Status	American Indian	Asian	Black/ Af. Am.	Latino	Other/ Unknown	White/ Caucasian	Total
2002-03	Doc.	1	26	6	14	19	90	156
	Pot. Undoc.	0	2	0	3	0	0	5
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2003-04	Doc.	1	38	5	9	16	100	169
	Pot. Undoc.	0	3	0	1	1	0	5
	Other	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
2004-05	Doc.	1	76	18	16	43	161	315
	Pot. Undoc.	0	3	0	1	1	0	5
	Other	0	1	0	0	1	0	2
2005-06	Doc.	1	76	23	24	50	180	354
	Pot. Undoc.	0	3	0	3	3	1	10
	Other	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
2006-07	Doc.	2	76	18	22	62	201	381
	Pot. Undoc.	0	7	0	2	3	0	12
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2007-08	Doc.	3	82	22	32	65	213	417
	Pot. Undoc.	0	4	0	4	1	0	9
	Other	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
2008-09	Doc.	4	68	19	32	68	220	411
	Pot. Undoc.	0	5	0	7	0	2	14
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Display 3C**  
**All AB 540 Recipients by Ethnicity and Documentation Status**

Year	Status	American Indian	Asian	Black/ Af. Am.	Latino	Other/ Unknown	White/ Caucasian	Total
2002-03	Doc.	3	278	14	75	41	139	550
	Pot. Undoc.	0	40	0	42	2	6	90
	Other	0	41	1	26	9	8	85
2003-04	Doc.	2	362	17	100	42	155	678
	Pot. Undoc.	0	67	0	81	4	7	159
	Other	0	62	1	35	14	7	119
2004-05	Doc.	1	485	36	131	75	226	954
	Pot. Undoc.	0	152	0	158	16	19	345
	Other	0	29	0	12	5	4	50
2005-06	Doc.	2	528	46	179	88	246	1,089
	Pot. Undoc.	0	147	0	193	14	18	372
	Other	0	18	1	7	3	1	30
2006-07	Doc.	3	547	42	220	100	272	1,184
	Pot. Undoc.	0	181	2	218	17	15	433
	Other	0	16	0	5	0	1	22
2007-08	Doc.	5	634	45	247	106	289	1,326
	Pot. Undoc.	0	267	3	267	21	23	581
	Other	0	29	0	4	0	1	34
2008-09	Doc.	4	668	46	280	111	312	1,421
	Pot. Undoc.	0	257	2	278	14	17	568
	Other	0	23	0	6	0	1	30

***Trends by Parent Income***

Information about the parent income of AB 540 recipients is available only for undergraduate students. For financial aid applicants, the parent income is taken from information provided by the FAFSA; otherwise, it is taken from the undergraduate application for admission.

The trend in the parent income distribution of dependent undergraduate AB 540 recipients is shown in Display 4, below, along with the income distribution for other UC dependent undergraduates.

While the parental incomes of AB 540 recipients are skewed lower than for the UC student population, there are still significant numbers of AB 540 recipients each year whose annual parental income exceeds \$96,000 (in constant 2008 dollars). This reflects the fact that AB 540 exemptions are awarded without regard to a student's financial need. Restricting AB 540 exemptions to students with financial need would significantly reduce the number of exemptions and the overall cost of the program to the University. However, the University would fully recoup the cost of AB 540 exemptions to non-needy students only if those students decided to enroll at UC anyway, or if their seats were backfilled by other students paying nonresident tuition.



**Display 4**  
**Dependent Undergraduate AB 540 Recipients by Parent Income (in constant 2008 dollars)<sup>3</sup>**

Year	Dependent Students	Parent Income				
		Less than \$48,000	\$48,000 to \$96,000	\$96,000 to \$144,000	\$144,000 or more	Unknown Income
2002-03	AB 540	47.8%	14.3%	6.0%	12.4%	19.5%
	Other Students	25.9%	12.0%	10.9%	34.8%	16.4%
2003-04	AB 540	55.2%	10.3%	4.8%	10.6%	19.0%
	Other Students	27.3%	12.8%	11.0%	34.6%	14.3%
2004-05	AB 540	53.9%	13.3%	5.1%	10.2%	17.5%
	Other Students	27.5%	12.6%	10.8%	34.2%	14.9%
2005-06	AB 540	57.7%	10.8%	5.7%	8.8%	17.1%
	Other Students	27.6%	12.5%	10.9%	33.7%	15.2%
2006-07	AB 540	58.9%	12.4%	5.6%	7.8%	15.3%
	Other Students	27.9%	12.7%	10.4%	33.8%	15.2%
2007-08	AB 540	61.8%	12.3%	5.3%	6.4%	14.2%
	Other Students	28.3%	12.3%	10.9%	33.2%	15.2%
2008-09	AB 540	63.6%	11.8%	5.1%	7.7%	11.9%
	Other Students	28.9%	12.6%	10.4%	33.9%	14.2%

***Trends by Campus***

Display 5 below, shows the trend in the total number of AB 540 recipients at each UC campus. While some campuses show a steady and predictable increase that has leveled off in recent years, other trends are more erratic. It is unknown to what extent this is due to past or continued issues affecting data quality.

**Display 5**  
**AB 540 Recipients by Campus**

Campus	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
<b>Berkeley</b>	119	85	225	305	357	391	437
<b>Davis</b>	70	101	111	163	220	226	238
<b>Irvine</b>	120	162	193	232	227	298	308
<b>Los Angeles</b>	189	318	415	334	359	440	417
<b>Merced</b>	0	0	0	6	2	11	30
<b>Riverside</b>	96	130	163	173	186	131	166
<b>San Diego</b>	96	128	164	151	147	293	284
<b>San Francisco</b>	1	1	0	8	0	0	0
<b>Santa Barbara</b>	18	10	45	68	72	59	63
<b>Santa Cruz</b>	16	21	33	51	69	92	76
<b>Total</b>	725	956	1,349	1,491	1,639	1,941	2,019

<sup>3</sup> Income distribution for all dependent undergraduates may differ from that reported elsewhere, which often includes imputed incomes for students whose income is not known.

***Trends in the Dollar Value of AB 540 Tuition Exemptions***

The value of the exemptions provided under AB 540 has increased significantly since the program was first implemented in 2002-03. The increases have been due to both the expanding number of AB 540 recipients (which is expected to level off) and increases in the University’s nonresident tuition. The total value of the exemptions for undergraduates and graduate students is shown in Displays 6A, 6B, and 6C below. Figures are not adjusted for inflation.

**Display 6A  
Value of Undergraduate AB 540 Tuition Exemptions**

<b>Undergraduate</b>			
<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of Recipients</b>	<b>Average Value of Exemptions</b>	<b>Total Value of Exemptions</b>
2002-03	564	\$11,199	\$6.3 M
2003-04	781	\$11,322	\$8.8 M
2004-05	1,027	\$15,258	\$15.7 M
2005-06	1,125	\$16,159	\$18.2 M
2006-07	1,246	\$16,828	\$21.0 M
2007-08	1,514	\$17,795	\$26.9 M
2008-09	1,594	\$18,520	\$29.5 M

**Display 6B  
Value of Graduate AB 540 Tuition Exemptions**

<b>Graduate</b>			
<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of Recipients</b>	<b>Average Value of Exemptions</b>	<b>Total Value of Exemptions</b>
2002-03	161	\$10,543	\$1.7 M
2003-04	175	\$9,095	\$1.6 M
2004-05	322	\$13,412	\$4.3 M
2005-06	366	\$13,265	\$4.9 M
2006-07	393	\$12,818	\$5.0 M
2007-08	427	\$13,268	\$5.7 M
2008-09	425	\$12,968	\$5.5 M

**Display 6C  
Value of All AB 540 Tuition Exemptions**

<b>All</b>			
<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of Recipients</b>	<b>Average Value of Exemptions</b>	<b>Total Value of Exemptions</b>
2002-03	725	\$11,053	\$8.0 M
2003-04	956	\$10,914	\$10.4 M
2004-05	1,349	\$14,817	\$20.0 M
2005-06	1,491	\$15,448	\$23.0 M
2006-07	1,639	\$15,866	\$26.0 M
2007-08	1,941	\$16,799	\$32.6 M
2008-09	2,019	\$17,351	\$35.0 M

### III. Additional Statistics for 2008-09 AB 540 Recipients

**Display 7**  
**AB 540 Recipients by Level, Documentation Status, and Campus, 2008-09**

	UCB	UCD	UCI	UCLA	UCM	UCR	UCSD	UCSF	UCSB	UCSC	Total
<b>Undergraduate</b>											
Documented	220	159	129	147	8	107	136	0	53	51	1,010
Indeterminate	20	8	40	27	5	9	22	0	0	2	133
Pot. Undocumented	75	20	104	69	15	39	77	0	0	22	421
Other	0	0	11	7	0	0	12	0	0	0	30
<b>Total</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>1,594</b>
<b>Graduate</b>											
Documented	121	46	20	164	1	11	37	0	10	1	411
Intermediate	1	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Pot. Undocumented	0	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>425</b>
<b>All Recipients</b>											
Documented	341	205	149	311	9	118	173	0	63	52	1,421
Intermediate	21	12	43	28	5	9	22	0	0	2	142
Pot. Undocumented	75	21	105	71	16	39	77	0	0	22	426
Other	0	0	11	7	0	0	12	0	0	0	30
<b>Total</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>2,019</b>

- Note that the majority of the students who received AB 540 tuition exemptions during 2008-09 were documented (70%). This is true among undergraduate AB 540 recipients (63% of whom were documented) and graduate recipients (97% of whom were documented).
- Among potentially undocumented AB 540 recipients, nearly all (99%) were undergraduate students.

**Display 8**  
**AB 540 Recipients by Level and Detailed Ethnicity, 2008-09**

Ethnicity	Documented		Potentially Undocumented or Indeterminate		Other		Total	% of Total
	Undergrad.	Graduate	Undergrad.	Graduate	Undergrad.	Graduate		
American Indian	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	0.2%
Asian								
Chinese	271	39	26	3	4	0	343	17.0%
E. Indian/Pakistani	25	4	16	0	1	0	46	2.3%
Japanese	11	2	3	0	0	0	16	0.8%
Korean	206	12	166	2	16	0	402	19.9%
Other Asian	33	2	11	0	1	0	47	2.3%
Pacific Islander	2	1	2	0	0	0	5	0.2%
Pilipino	29	5	26	0	1	0	61	3.0%
Vietnamese	23	3	2	0	0	0	28	1.4%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>948</b>	<b>47.0%</b>
Black/Af. American	27	19	2	0	0	0	48	2.4%
Latino								
Chicano	185	24	223	5	4	0	441	21.8%
Other Latino	63	8	48	2	2	0	123	6.1%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>564</b>	<b>27.9%</b>
Other/Unknown								
Declined to State	28	41	9	0	0	0	78	3.9%
Other	15	27	5	0	0	0	47	2.3%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>6.2%</b>
White/Caucasian	92	220	15	2	1	0	330	16.3%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,010</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,019</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

- In 2008-09, Asian students comprised the largest proportion (47%) of AB 540 recipients. Among undocumented AB 540 recipients, Latino and Asian students were similar in proportion (49% Latino, 45% Asian).

**Display 9**  
**Dependent Undergraduate AB 540 Recipients by Parent Income and Documentation Status, 2008-09 (in 2008 constant dollars)<sup>4</sup>**

Parent Income	Documented	Pot. Undoc. or Indeterminate	Other	All Dep. AB 540 Recipients	% of Dep. AB 540 Recipients	Other Dep. Undergrads	% of other Dep. Undergrads
Less than \$48,000	552	375	18	945	63.6%	48,060	28.9%
\$48,000 to \$96,000	105	67	3	175	11.8%	20,981	12.6%
\$96,000 to \$144,000	64	11	1	76	5.1%	17,239	10.4%
\$144,000 and above	96	13	5	114	7.7%	56,297	33.9%
No data	93	82	2	177	11.9%	23,594	14.2%
Total	910	548	29	1,487	100.0%	166,171	100.0%

<sup>4</sup> Income distribution for all dependent undergraduates may differ from that reported elsewhere, which often includes imputed incomes for students whose income is not known.

**Display 10**  
**Value of AB 540 Recipients by Student Level, Documentation Status, and Campus, 2008-09**

	Berkeley	Davis	Irvine	Los Angeles	Merced	Riverside	San Diego	San Francisco	Santa Barbara	Santa Cruz	Total
<b>Undergraduate</b>											
Documented	\$3,670,349	\$2,752,148	\$1,929,300	\$2,309,135	\$9,810	\$1,442,812	\$2,214,250	\$0	\$876,764	\$901,800	\$16,106,368
Pot. Undoc/Indeterminate	\$1,153,191	\$552,972	\$2,782,770	\$2,314,220	\$166,770	\$552,972	\$2,044,026	\$0	\$19,068	\$669,990	\$10,255,979
Other	\$0	\$0	\$163,500	\$114,408	\$0	\$0	\$300,840	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$578,748
Subtotal	<u>\$4,823,540</u>	<u>\$3,305,120</u>	<u>\$4,875,570</u>	<u>\$4,737,763</u>	<u>\$176,580</u>	<u>\$1,995,784</u>	<u>\$4,559,116</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$895,832</u>	<u>\$1,571,790</u>	<u>\$26,941,095</u>
<b>Graduate</b>											
Documented	\$1,528,572	\$577,964	\$249,571	\$2,105,193	\$0	\$156,736	\$696,394	\$0	\$117,552	\$129,870	\$5,561,852
Pot. Undoc/Indeterminate	\$0	\$26,939	\$34,972	\$29,388	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$91,299
Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,245	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,245
Subtotal	<u>\$1,528,572</u>	<u>\$604,903</u>	<u>\$284,543</u>	<u>\$2,146,826</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$156,736</u>	<u>\$696,394</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$117,552</u>	<u>\$129,870</u>	<u>\$5,665,396</u>
<b>Total</b>											
Documented	\$5,198,921	\$3,330,112	\$2,178,871	\$4,414,328	\$9,810	\$1,599,548	\$2,910,644	\$0	\$994,316	\$1,031,670	\$21,668,220
Pot. Undoc/Indeterminate	\$1,153,191	\$579,911	\$2,817,742	\$2,343,608	\$166,770	\$552,972	\$2,044,026	\$0	\$19,068	\$669,990	\$10,347,278
Other	\$0	\$0	\$163,500	\$126,653	\$0	\$0	\$300,840	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$590,993
Total	<u>\$6,352,112</u>	<u>\$3,910,023</u>	<u>\$5,160,113</u>	<u>\$6,884,589</u>	<u>\$176,580</u>	<u>\$2,152,520</u>	<u>\$5,255,510</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$1,013,384</u>	<u>\$1,701,660</u>	<u>\$32,606,491</u>

#### **IV. Undocumented UC Students With and Without AB 540 Tuition Exemptions**

As noted earlier in this report, undocumented students (as well as documented students) are eligible to receive AB 540 tuition exemptions if they meet the following criteria:

1. The student attended a high school in California for three or more years.
2. The student graduated from a California high school, received a California High School Equivalency Certificate, or received a Certificate of Proficiency.
3. The student does not hold a non-immigrant visa.

UC enrolls a number of students who are potentially undocumented (including those whose status is indeterminate) and who do not receive AB 540 tuition exemptions. Display 11 shows the number of potentially undocumented students with and without AB 540 tuition exemptions by ethnicity, campus, and level. In 2008-09, 30% of all potentially undocumented students attending UC did not receive AB 540 exemptions. Presumably, these students either did not meet the three basic requirements for the exemption or did not apply for the exemption on time.

**Display 11**  
**Potentially Undocumented/Indeterminate Students at UC, 2008-09<sup>5</sup>**

<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>AB 540 Recipients</b>	<b>Non-AB 540 Recipients</b>	<b>Total</b>
American Indian	0	1	1
Asian	257	114	371
Black/African American	2	2	4
Latino	278	86	364
White/Caucasian	14	29	43
Other/Unknown	17	16	33
<b>Totals</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>816</b>
<b>Campus</b>			
Berkeley	96	19	115
Davis	33	22	55
Irvine	148	10	158
Los Angeles	99	156	255
Merced	21	0	21
Riverside	48	1	49
San Diego	99	28	127
San Francisco	0	1	1
Santa Barbara	0	7	7
Santa Cruz	24	4	28
<b>Totals</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>816</b>
<b>Level</b>			
Undergraduate	554	212	766
Graduate	14	36	50
<b>Totals</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>816</b>

<sup>5</sup> Note that unlike Display 11 in the 2007-08 version of the report, this table includes both potentially undocumented students and students with an indeterminate immigration status. Hence, figures in this table are generally larger.