

**Results of the Entering Student Survey
Spring 2001**

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1) How did you learn about TAMU-T?

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|---------|--|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | A) From people at my high school | 8 | 7.2 | 7.3 | 7.3 |
| | B) From relatives or friends | 39 | 35.1 | 35.5 | 42.7 |
| | C) From a representative of TAMU-T | 6 | 5.4 | 5.5 | 48.2 |
| | D) From a college placement or other information service | 2 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 50.0 |
| | E) From a college catalogue | 1 | .9 | .9 | 50.9 |
| | F) From material I received in the mail | 3 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 53.6 |
| | G) From material I read in a newspaper or magazine | 6 | 5.4 | 5.5 | 59.1 |
| | K) From people at the college from which I am transferring | 45 | 40.5 | 40.9 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 110 | 99.1 | 100.0 | |
| Missing | System | 1 | .9 | | |
| Total | | 111 | 100.0 | | |

2) What image do you have of TAMU-T?

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|---------|--|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | A) A teacher training school | 7 | 6.3 | 6.5 | 6.5 |
| | B) An intellectually demanding school | 15 | 13.5 | 13.9 | 20.4 |
| | C) An inexpensive place to get an education | 10 | 9.0 | 9.3 | 29.6 |
| | D) A general liberal arts school | 1 | .9 | .9 | 30.6 |
| | E) A school with a faculty of high quality | 12 | 10.8 | 11.1 | 41.7 |
| | F) School with strong student services (counseling,aid,etc.) | 3 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 44.4 |
| | G) A school with a reputation for excellence in my field | 14 | 12.6 | 13.0 | 57.4 |
| | H) A non-demanding place to get an education | 1 | .9 | .9 | 58.3 |
| | I) A school with a promising future | 28 | 25.2 | 25.9 | 84.3 |
| | J) Have no clear image | 17 | 15.3 | 15.7 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 108 | 97.3 | 100.0 | |
| Missing | System | 3 | 2.7 | | |
| Total | | 111 | 100.0 | | |

3) Compare TAMU-T printed materials to other schools'

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|-------|--|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Unknown - didn't receive similar material from other schools | 42 | 37.8 | 37.8 | 37.8 |
| | TAMU-T materials were worse than others | 3 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 40.5 |
| | TAMU-T materials were about the same | 51 | 45.9 | 45.9 | 86.5 |
| | TAMU-T materials were better than others | 15 | 13.5 | 13.5 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 111 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

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4) At how many other colleges did you apply for admissions this year?

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|---------|--------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | None | 90 | 81.1 | 81.8 | 81.8 |
| | One | 18 | 16.2 | 16.4 | 98.2 |
| | Three | 2 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 110 | 99.1 | 100.0 | |
| Missing | System | 1 | .9 | | |
| Total | | 111 | 100.0 | | |

5) Besides TAMU-T, at how many colleges were you accepted this year?

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|---------|--------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | None | 84 | 75.7 | 77.1 | 77.1 |
| | One | 21 | 18.9 | 19.3 | 96.3 |
| | Two | 2 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 98.2 |
| | Three | 2 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 109 | 98.2 | 100.0 | |
| Missing | System | 2 | 1.8 | | |
| Total | | 111 | 100.0 | | |

6) Was TAMU-T your first choice?

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|-------|-------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Yes | 94 | 84.7 | 84.7 | 84.7 |
| | No | 17 | 15.3 | 15.3 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 111 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

If No, which describes your first choice?

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|---------|------------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Another public university in Texas | 11 | 9.9 | 64.7 | 64.7 |
| | A private university in Texas | 2 | 1.8 | 11.8 | 76.5 |
| | A public university out of Texas | 3 | 2.7 | 17.6 | 94.1 |
| | A private university out of Texas | 1 | .9 | 5.9 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 17 | 15.3 | 100.0 | |
| Missing | System | 94 | 84.7 | | |
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7) Factors that may have influenced your decision to attend TAMU-T

| | Count | Pct of Responses | Pct of Cases |
|---|-------|------------------|--------------|
| A) Academic reputation of TAMU-T | 53 | 8.1 | 28.8 |
| B) Academic programs | 69 | 10.5 | 37.5 |
| C) Academic scholarship | 22 | 3.4 | 12.0 |
| D) Advice of a current or former TAMU-T student | 49 | 7.5 | 26.6 |
| E) Affiliation with The Texas A&M University system | 59 | 9.0 | 32.1 |
| F) Availability of financial aid | 31 | 4.7 | 16.8 |
| G) Campus visit or tour | 6 | 0.9 | 3.3 |
| H) Close to home | 164 | 25.0 | 89.1 |
| I) Counselor's or teacher's advice | 12 | 1.8 | 6.5 |
| J) Institution's social reputation | 8 | 1.2 | 4.3 |
| K) Range and availability of student services | 7 | 1.1 | 3.8 |
| L) Reasonable costs | 79 | 12.0 | 42.9 |
| M) Relative's advice | 18 | 2.7 | 9.8 |
| N) Reputation of TAMU-T in the job market | 16 | 2.4 | 8.7 |
| O) Reputation of TAMU-T's graduates in graduate schools | 6 | 0.9 | 3.3 |
| P) Size and availability of classes | 45 | 6.9 | 24.5 |
| Q) Other | 12 | 1.8 | 6.5 |
| Total responses | 656 | 100.0 | 356.5 |

8) What is your gender?

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|---------|--------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Male | 31 | 27.9 | 28.4 | 28.4 |
| | Female | 78 | 70.3 | 71.6 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 109 | 98.2 | 100.0 | |
| Missing | System | 2 | 1.8 | | |
| Total | | 111 | 100.0 | | |

9.) Mark each objective you consider essential:

| | Count | Pct of Responses | Pct of Cases |
|--|-------|------------------|--------------|
| A) Becoming an authority in my field | 95 | 14.8 | 51.9 |
| B) A degree that provides entry into my chosen career field | 144 | 22.5 | 78.7 |
| C) Courses that will enable me to transfer to another university | 15 | 2.3 | 8.2 |
| D) Discovering my field of interest | 20 | 3.1 | 10.9 |
| E) Developing a meaningful philosophy of life | 26 | 4.1 | 14.2 |
| F) Influencing the political structure | 13 | 2.0 | 7.1 |
| G) Influencing social values | 43 | 6.7 | 23.5 |
| H) Improving my self-confidence | 69 | 10.8 | 37.7 |
| I) Developing my ability to be self-reliant | 64 | 10.0 | 35.0 |
| J) Developing my general skills to be adaptable in job market | 85 | 13.3 | 46.4 |
| K) Preparing for graduate or professional school | 66 | 10.3 | 36.1 |
| Total Responses | 640 | 100.0 | 349.7 |

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10) Race/Ethnicity

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|---------|--------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | American Indian/Alaskan Native | 1 | .9 | .9 | .9 |
| | Asian/Pacific Islander | 1 | .9 | .9 | 1.8 |
| | Black/non-Hispanic | 15 | 13.5 | 13.6 | 15.5 |
| | Hispanic | 3 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 18.2 |
| | White/non-Hispanic | 90 | 81.1 | 81.8 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 110 | 99.1 | 100.0 | |
| Missing | System | 1 | .9 | | |
| Total | | 111 | 100.0 | | |

11) Do you feel that you have a permanent disability?

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|---------|--------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Yes | 8 | 7.2 | 7.5 | 7.5 |
| | No | 99 | 89.2 | 92.5 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 107 | 96.4 | 100.0 | |
| Missing | System | 4 | 3.6 | | |
| Total | | 111 | 100.0 | | |

12) How many credit hours do you plan to take EACH TERM during this academic year?

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|---------|------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | 3 or less | 10 | 9.0 | 9.3 | 9.3 |
| | 4-8 | 22 | 19.8 | 20.6 | 29.9 |
| | 9-11 | 16 | 14.4 | 15.0 | 44.9 |
| | 12-14 | 36 | 32.4 | 33.6 | 78.5 |
| | 15 or more | 23 | 20.7 | 21.5 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 107 | 96.4 | 100.0 | |
| Missing | System | 4 | 3.6 | | |
| Total | | 111 | 100.0 | | |

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13) What is the highest level of education completed by your father?

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|---------|---|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | A) Did not graduate from high school | 30 | 27.0 | 27.5 | 27.5 |
| | B) High school graduate | 36 | 32.4 | 33.0 | 60.6 |
| | C) Attended college | 15 | 13.5 | 13.8 | 74.3 |
| | D) Completed two year college degree program | 9 | 8.1 | 8.3 | 82.6 |
| | E) Received a Bachelor's degree | 14 | 12.6 | 12.8 | 95.4 |
| | F) Attended graduate or professional school | 1 | .9 | .9 | 96.3 |
| | G) Received a graduate or professional-level degree | 4 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 109 | 98.2 | 100.0 | |
| Missing | System | 2 | 1.8 | | |
| Total | | 111 | 100.0 | | |

14) What is the highest level of education completed by your mother?

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|---------|---|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | A) Did not graduate from high school | 21 | 18.9 | 19.3 | 19.3 |
| | B) High school graduate | 44 | 39.6 | 40.4 | 59.6 |
| | C) Attended college | 19 | 17.1 | 17.4 | 77.1 |
| | D) Completed two year college degree program | 6 | 5.4 | 5.5 | 82.6 |
| | E) Received a Bachelor's degree | 11 | 9.9 | 10.1 | 92.7 |
| | F) Attended graduate or professional school | 2 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 94.5 |
| | G) Received a graduate or professional-level degree | 6 | 5.4 | 5.5 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 109 | 98.2 | 100.0 | |
| Missing | System | 2 | 1.8 | | |
| Total | | 111 | 100.0 | | |

15. Are you a Texas resident?

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|---------|--------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Yes | 80 | 72.1 | 73.4 | 73.4 |
| | No | 29 | 26.1 | 26.6 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 109 | 98.2 | 100.0 | |
| Missing | System | 2 | 1.8 | | |
| Total | | 111 | 100.0 | | |

If No, What state/country?

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|-------|----------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | | 86 | 77.5 | 77.5 | 77.5 |
| | ARKANSAS | 24 | 21.6 | 21.6 | 99.1 |
| | OKLAHOMA | 1 | .9 | .9 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 111 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

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If Yes, what COUNTY?

| | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|-------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | 35 | 31.5 | 31.5 | 31.5 |
| BOWIE | 57 | 51.4 | 51.4 | 82.9 |
| CASS | 11 | 9.9 | 9.9 | 92.8 |
| DALLAS | 1 | .9 | .9 | 93.7 |
| HOPKINS | 1 | .9 | .9 | 94.6 |
| LAMAR | 1 | .9 | .9 | 95.5 |
| MORRIS | 1 | .9 | .9 | 96.4 |
| NACOGDOCHES | 1 | .9 | .9 | 97.3 |
| RED RIVER | 2 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 99.1 |
| TITUS | 1 | .9 | .9 | 100.0 |
| Total | 111 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

16) Which of these is your top concern as you enter TAMU-T?

| | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | 70 | 63.1 | 64.8 | 64.8 |
| Academic | 3 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 67.6 |
| Childcare | 10 | 9.0 | 9.3 | 76.9 |
| Employment | 6 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 82.4 |
| Family | 19 | 17.1 | 17.6 | 100.0 |
| Finances | 108 | 97.3 | 100.0 | |
| Total | 3 | 2.7 | | |
| Missing | System | | | |
| Total | 111 | 100.0 | | |

17) Do you expect to apply for financial aid at TAMU-T?

| | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|-------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | 37 | 33.3 | 33.9 | 33.9 |
| Yes, I've applied | 46 | 41.4 | 42.2 | 76.1 |
| No | 26 | 23.4 | 23.9 | 100.0 |
| Yes, but I've not yet applied | 109 | 98.2 | 100.0 | |
| Total | 2 | 1.8 | | |
| Missing | System | | | |
| Total | 111 | 100.0 | | |

18) Do you expect to apply for an academic scholarship?

| | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|-------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | 14 | 12.6 | 12.7 | 12.7 |
| Yes, I've applied | 56 | 50.5 | 50.9 | 63.6 |
| No | 40 | 36.0 | 36.4 | 100.0 |
| Yes, but I've not yet applied | 110 | 99.1 | 100.0 | |
| Total | 1 | .9 | | |
| Missing | System | | | |
| Total | 111 | 100.0 | | |

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19) Do you expect to be employed while attending TAMU-T?

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|---------|--------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Yes | 84 | 75.7 | 77.8 | 77.8 |
| | No | 24 | 21.6 | 22.2 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 108 | 97.3 | 100.0 | |
| Missing | System | 3 | 2.7 | | |
| Total | | 111 | 100.0 | | |

If yes, how many hours per week?

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|---------|--------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Less than 20 | 11 | 9.9 | 13.8 | 13.8 |
| | 20-25 | 17 | 15.3 | 21.3 | 35.0 |
| | 26-30 | 6 | 5.4 | 7.5 | 42.5 |
| | 31-35 | 12 | 10.8 | 15.0 | 57.5 |
| | 36 or more | 34 | 30.6 | 42.5 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 80 | 72.1 | 100.0 | |
| Missing | System | 31 | 27.9 | | |
| Total | | 111 | 100.0 | | |

20) Please indicate the degree program in which you expect to major:

| Business / Behavioral Sciences | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Accounting | 11 | 9.9 | 15.9 | 15.9 |
| | Criminal Justice | 8 | 7.2 | 11.6 | 27.5 |
| | Finance | 4 | 3.6 | 5.8 | 33.3 |
| | Management | 3 | 2.7 | 4.3 | 37.7 |
| | Marketing | 2 | 1.8 | 2.9 | 40.6 |
| | Psychology | 15 | 13.5 | 21.7 | 62.3 |
| | Business Administration | 8 | 7.2 | 11.6 | 73.9 |
| | General Business | 3 | 2.7 | 4.3 | 78.3 |
| | Human Resource Management | 6 | 5.4 | 8.7 | 87.0 |
| | International Business | 2 | 1.8 | 2.9 | 89.9 |
| | Management Information Systems | 7 | 6.3 | 10.1 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 69 | 62.2 | 100.0 | |
| Missing | System | 42 | 37.8 | | |
| Total | | 111 | 100.0 | | |

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20) Please indicate the degree program in which you expect to major:

| Arts & Sciences / Education | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|--|---------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | English | 4 | 3.6 | 9.1 | 9.1 |
| | History | 3 | 2.7 | 6.8 | 15.9 |
| | Applied Arts & Sciences BAAS | 23 | 20.7 | 52.3 | 68.2 |
| | Interdisciplinary Studies | 10 | 9.0 | 22.7 | 90.9 |
| | General Studies | 4 | 3.6 | 9.1 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 44 | 39.6 | 100.0 | |
| Missing | System | 67 | 60.4 | | |
| Total | | 111 | 100.0 | | |

21) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with: Academic Advising

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|-------|-------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Very Dissatisfied | 3 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 |
| | Dissatisfied | 6 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 9.3 |
| | Satisfied | 53 | 54.6 | 54.6 | 63.9 |
| | Very Satisfied | 35 | 36.1 | 36.1 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 97 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

21) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with: Advising from Financial Aid Staff

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|-------|----------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Dissatisfied | 4 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.6 |
| | Satisfied | 28 | 39.4 | 39.4 | 45.1 |
| | Very Satisfied | 39 | 54.9 | 54.9 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 71 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

21) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with: Correspondence from Admissions Office

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|-------|-------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Very Dissatisfied | 3 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 |
| | Dissatisfied | 5 | 5.1 | 5.1 | 8.1 |
| | Satisfied | 51 | 51.5 | 51.5 | 59.6 |
| | Very Satisfied | 40 | 40.4 | 40.4 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 99 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

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21) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with: Registration Procedures

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|-------|-------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Very Dissatisfied | 6 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 5.8 |
| | Dissatisfied | 4 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 9.6 |
| | Satisfied | 57 | 54.8 | 54.8 | 64.4 |
| | Very Satisfied | 37 | 35.6 | 35.6 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 104 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

21) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with: Service from Business Office Staff

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|-------|-------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Very Dissatisfied | 1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 |
| | Dissatisfied | 2 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 3.3 |
| | Satisfied | 56 | 60.9 | 60.9 | 64.1 |
| | Very Satisfied | 33 | 35.9 | 35.9 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 92 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

21) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with: Service from Degree Planning Staff

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|-------|-------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Very Dissatisfied | 5 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 5.8 |
| | Dissatisfied | 4 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 10.5 |
| | Satisfied | 46 | 53.5 | 53.5 | 64.0 |
| | Very Satisfied | 31 | 36.0 | 36.0 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 86 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

21) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with: Service from Financial Aid Staff

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|-------|----------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Dissatisfied | 4 | 5.7 | 5.7 | 5.7 |
| | Satisfied | 34 | 48.6 | 48.6 | 54.3 |
| | Very Satisfied | 32 | 45.7 | 45.7 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 70 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

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21) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with: Service from Registrar's Office Staff

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|-------|-------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Very Dissatisfied | 2 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 2.2 |
| | Dissatisfied | 2 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 4.4 |
| | Satisfied | 55 | 60.4 | 60.4 | 64.8 |
| | Very Satisfied | 32 | 35.2 | 35.2 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 91 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |

21) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with: Service from Student Support Service staff

| | | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
|-------|-------------------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| Valid | Very Dissatisfied | 1 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| | Dissatisfied | 1 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 3.0 |
| | Satisfied | 36 | 54.5 | 54.5 | 57.6 |
| | Very Satisfied | 28 | 42.4 | 42.4 | 100.0 |
| | Total | 66 | 100.0 | 100.0 | |