

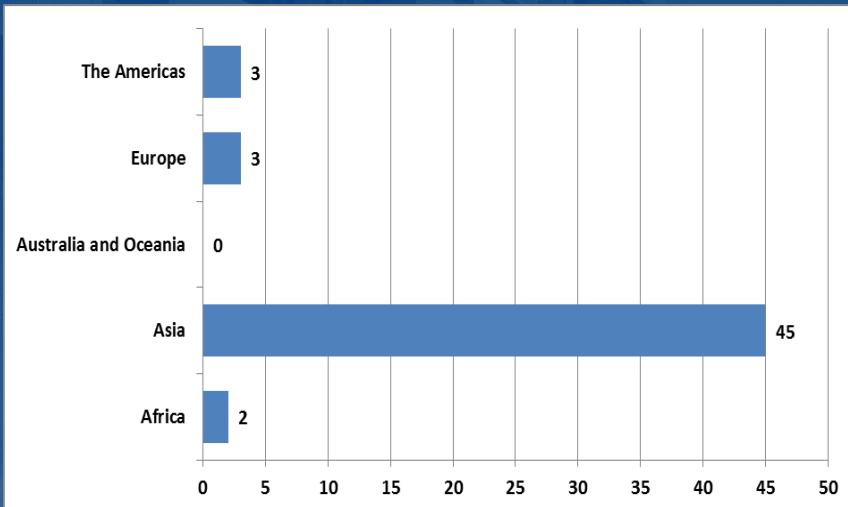


Cost of Living in United States Survey Results

International Student & Scholar Center

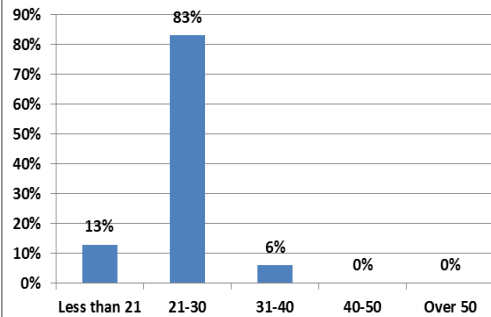
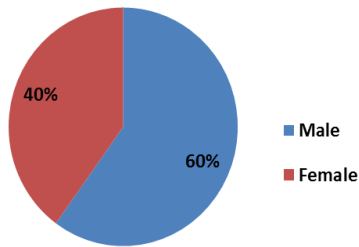


**Of the 300 international students at UMass
Dartmouth, 17.6% (N=53) responded to our survey.**



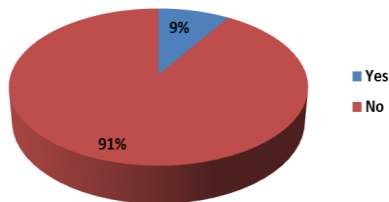


The ratio of male responses to that of female responses is 1.5:1 (60%:40%); 83% of the total respondents are aged 21-30, which shows a large portion of the international students are graduate students.

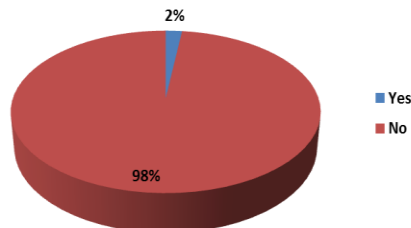


In general, of all the international students that responded to the survey, 9% have their spouses with them in United States; only 2% have their children in United States.

Spouse in United States

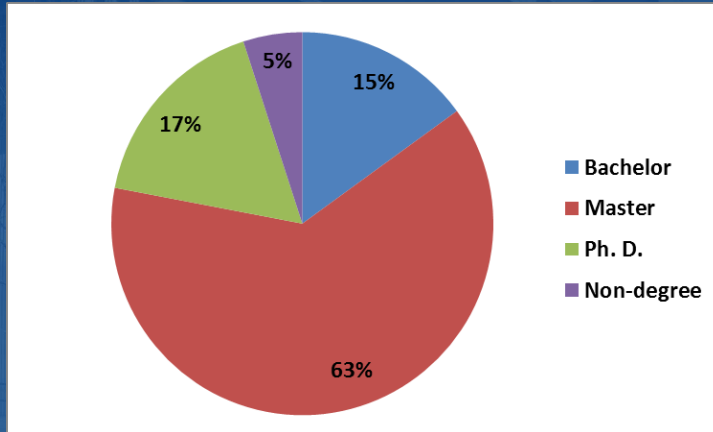


Children in United States

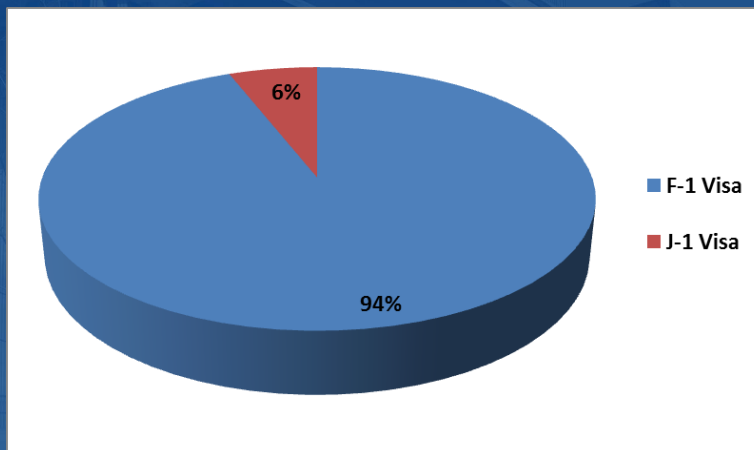




Over 63% of the international students are Master's degree level, while only 15% are undergraduate

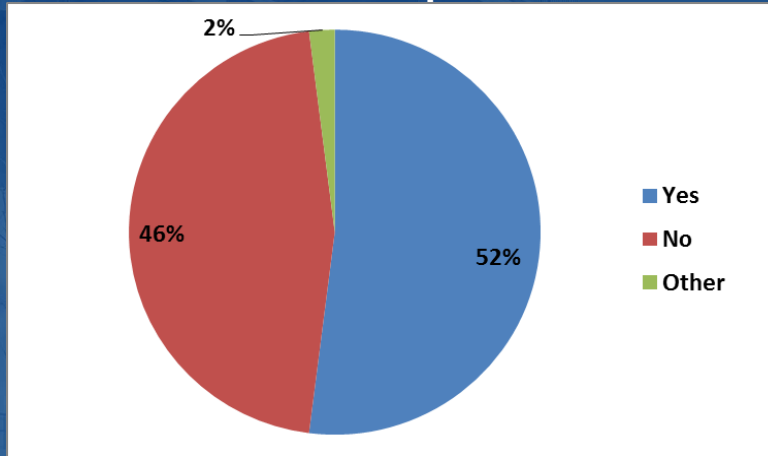


In general, F-1 visa outnumbered other visa types by 15 to 1 among the responding international students.

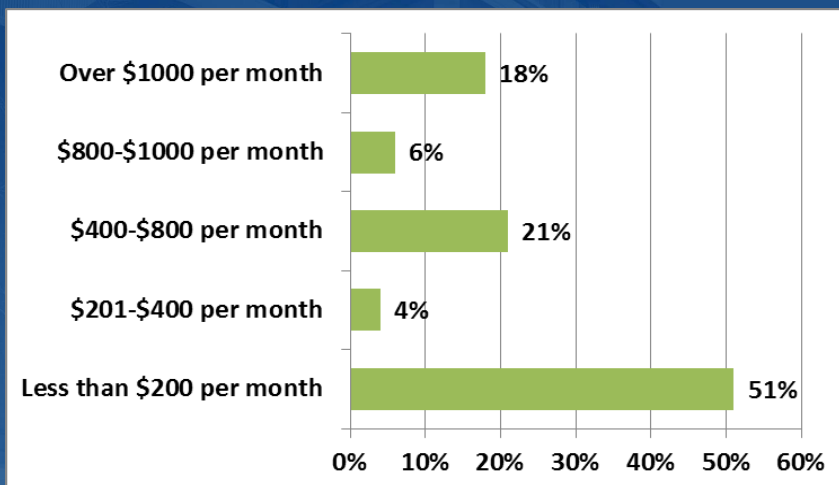




Over half (52%) of the responding international students have a source of income on-campus.

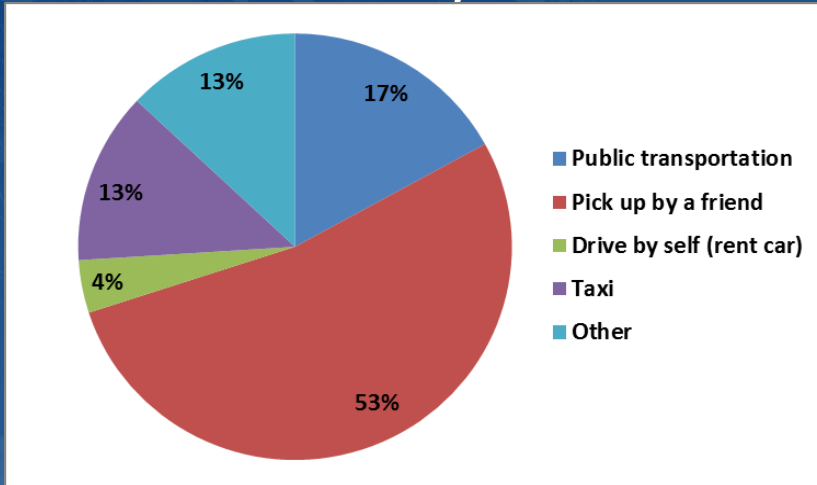


In an average month, most international students earned a monthly income in the ranges below:

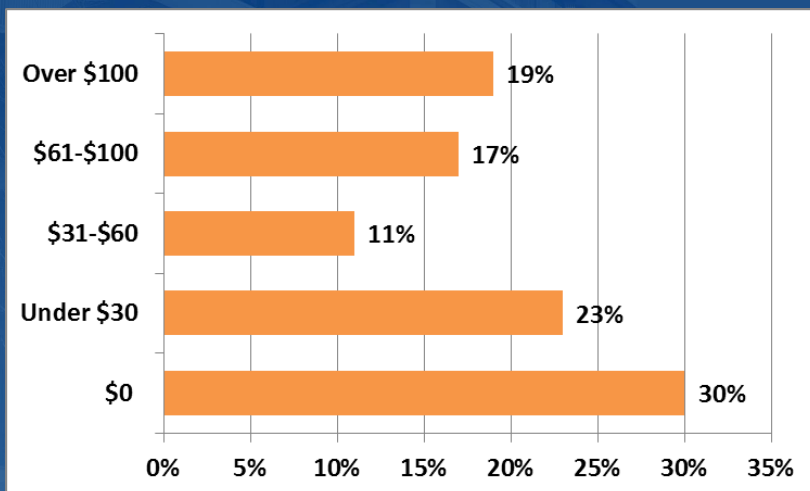




The different means of transportation that international students took from airport to the university are:



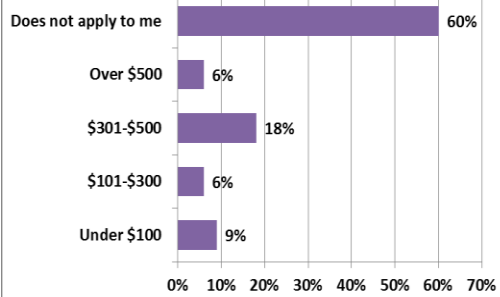
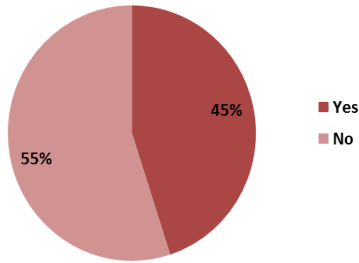
The transportation costs on arrival fall within these ranges:



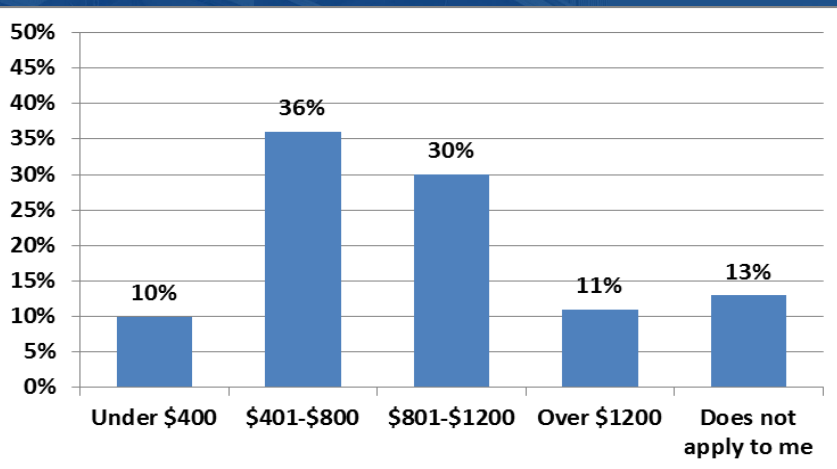


Cost and need for temporary housing for new international student when they first arrive in the U. S.

Temporary housing for new international students

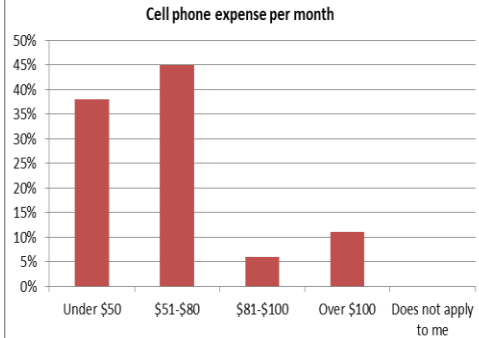
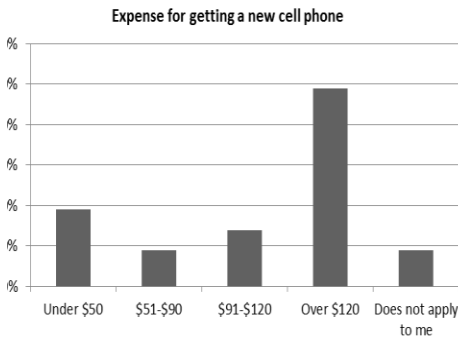


Laptop/computer expenses for new international students in United States.

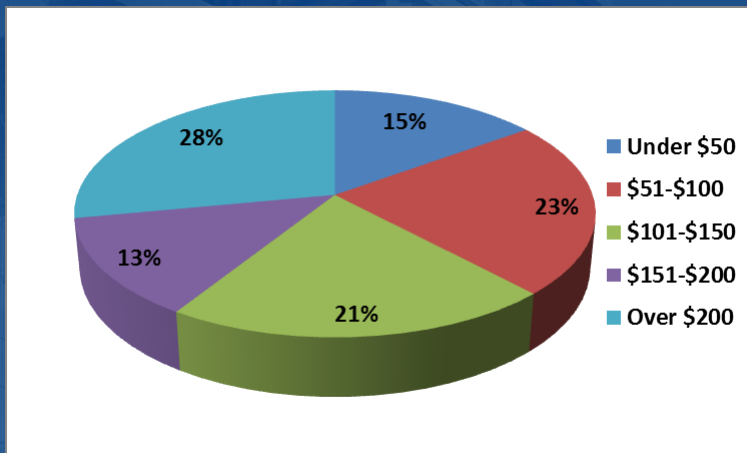




On average, international students spend on cell phone service per month :

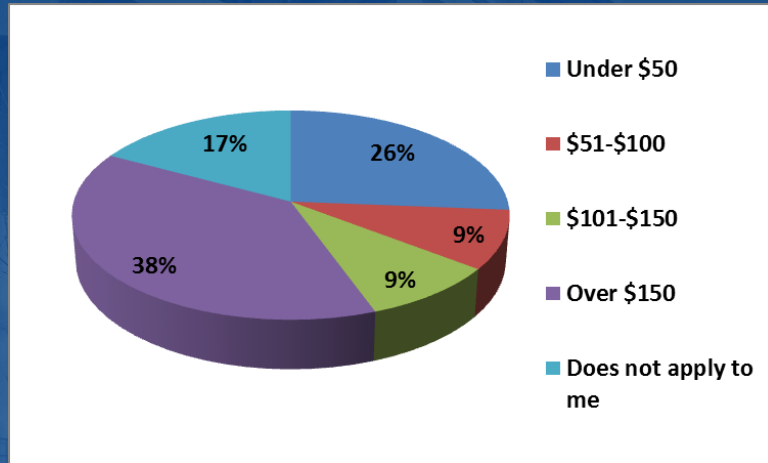


International students spent on food and kitchen supplies when they first arrived....

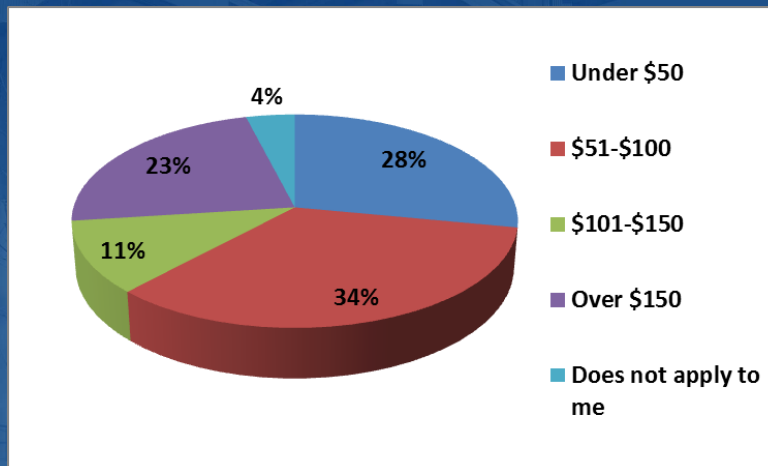




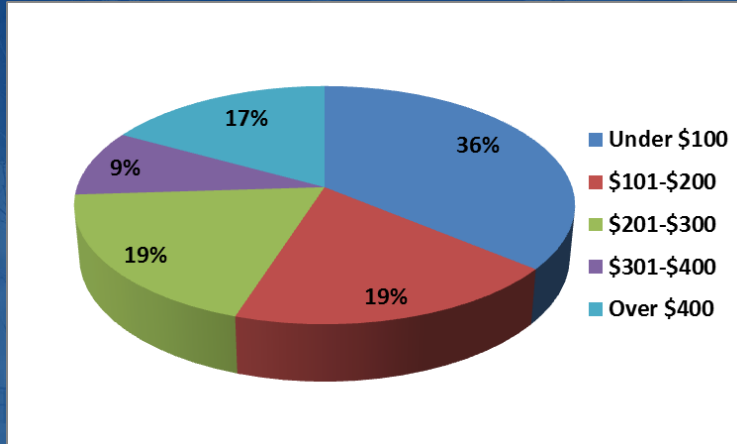
International students spent on furniture when they first arrived...



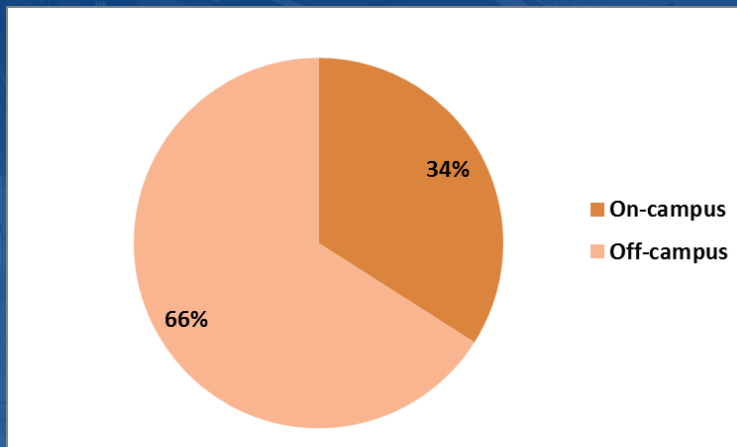
International students spent on linens and beddings when they first arrived...



International students spent on school supplies (books, notebooks, etc.) at the beginning of the semester....



Of all the international students who responded to the survey, 66% of the students chose off-campus housing instead of on-campus housing.

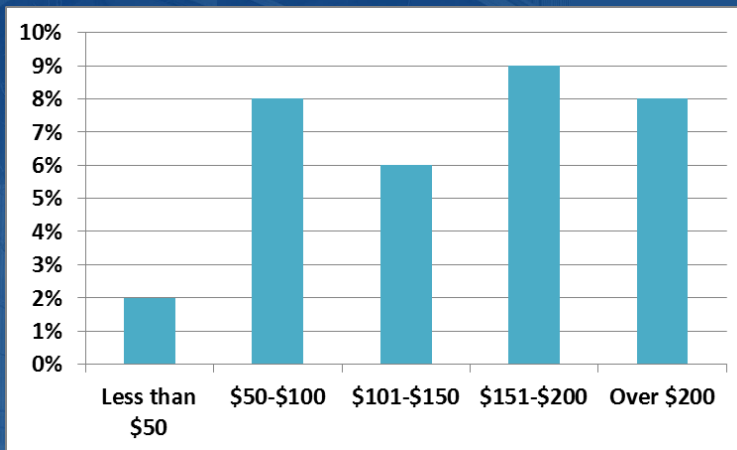




Average Monthly Costs For international students who live on-campus

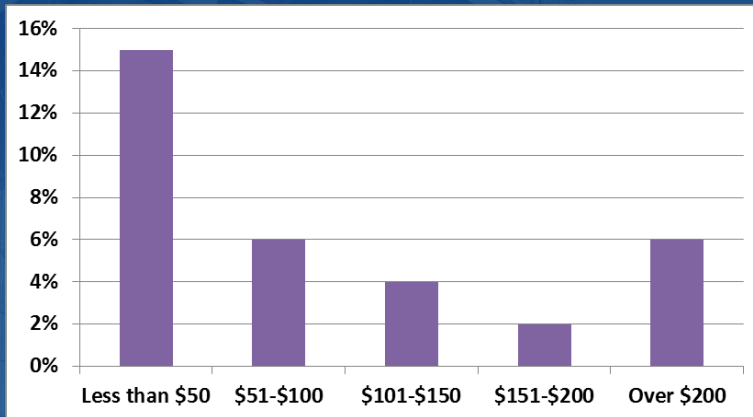


Generally speaking, international students who live on campus spend on food ...





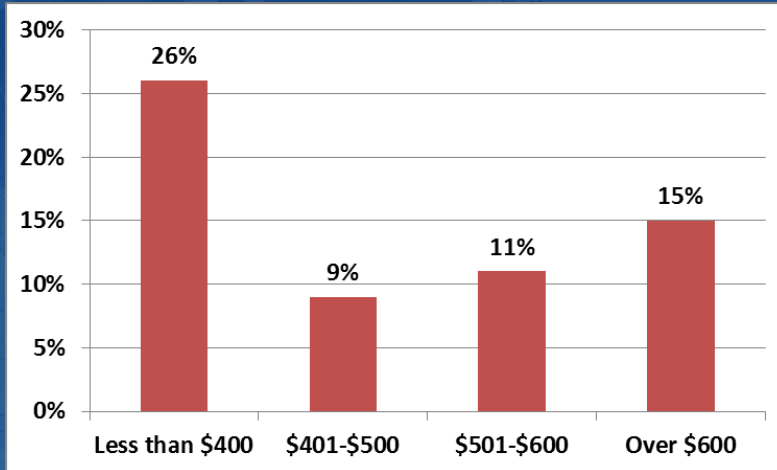
While international students who live on campus spend on entertainment expense....



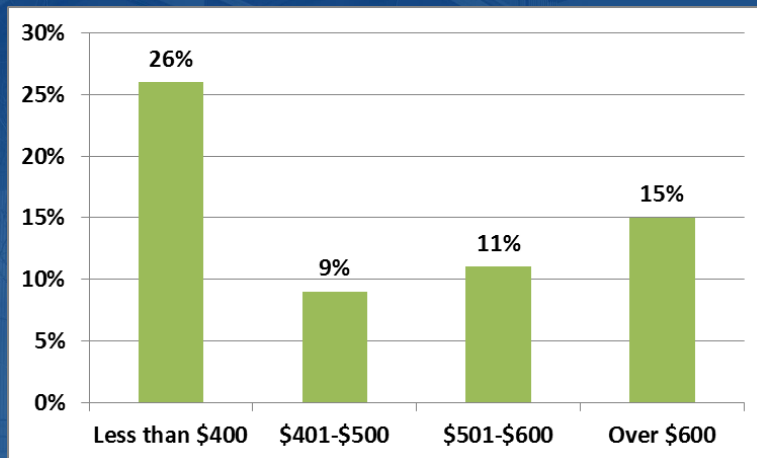
Average Monthly Costs For international students who live off-campus



International students who live off-campus housing spend on rent:

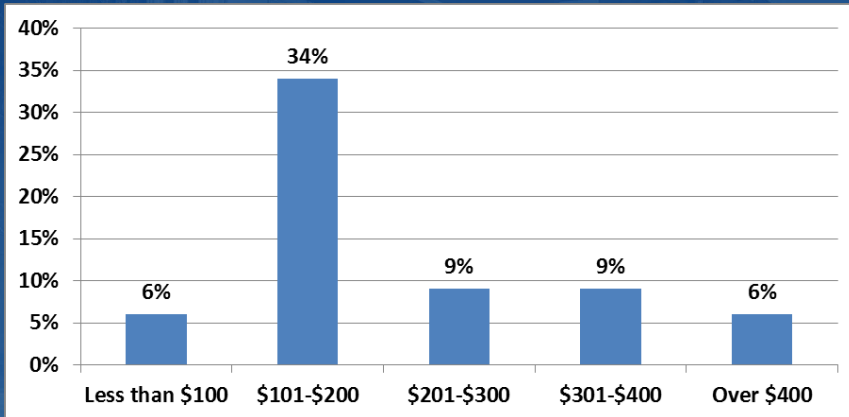


International students who live off-campus spend on food:

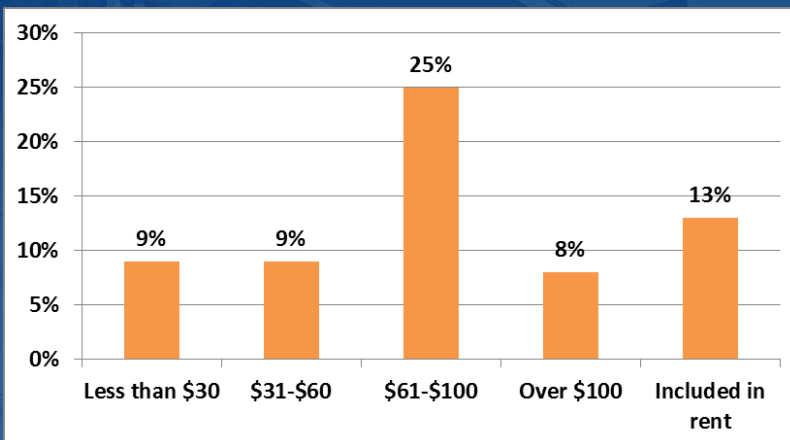




International students who live off-campus spend on entertainment:

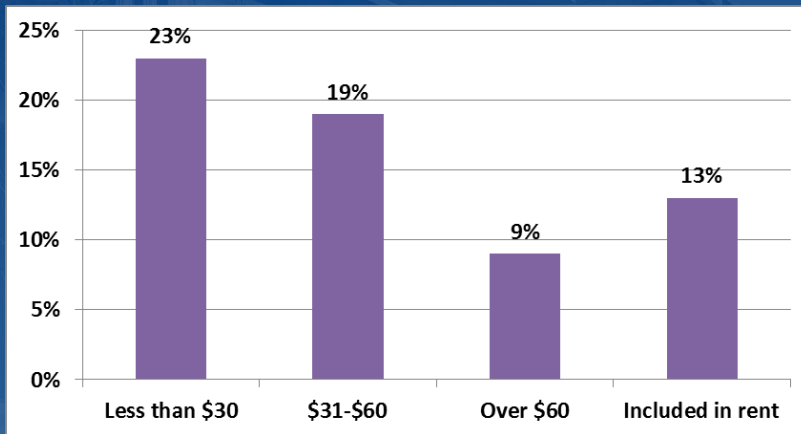


International students who live off-campus spend on utilities:





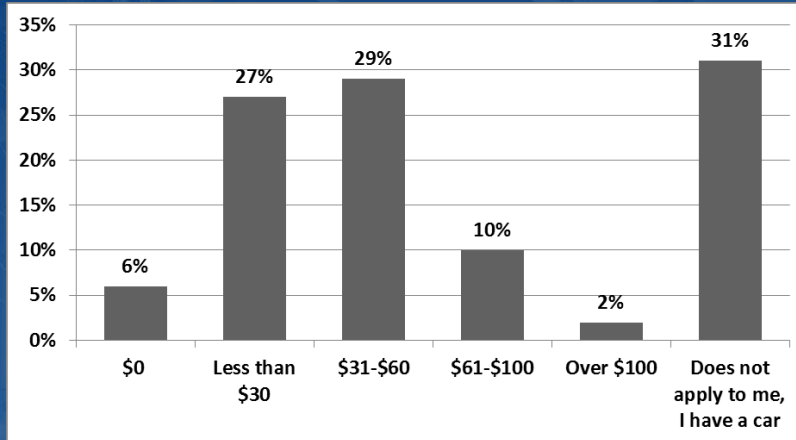
International students who live off-campus spend on internet and cable:



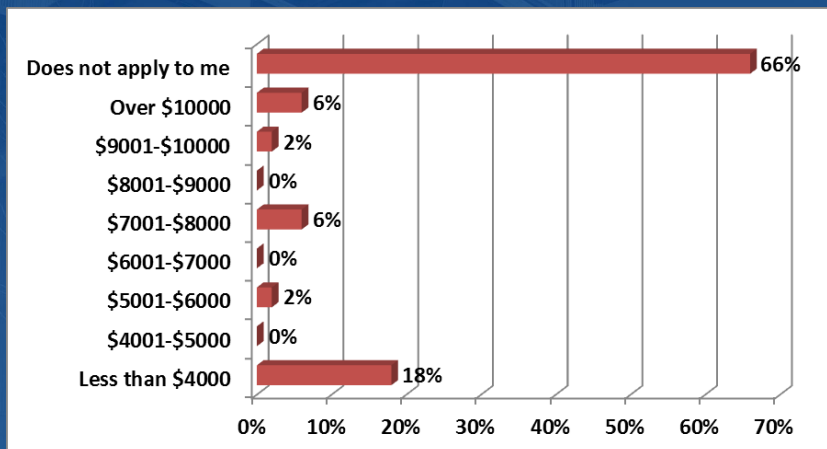
Average Monthly Transportation Cost



For student who don't have their own transportation, the monthly expenses are....



For students who have a car, their average expenses are:





For students who have a car, the monthly expenses of fuel and auto insurance are:

