

REGISTERED UNIVERSITY STUDENTS BY TYPE OF INSTITUTION, 1992-93

	Federal	State	Autonomous	Private	Total
Teachers' colleges	6,078	74,767	0	29,930	110,775
Undergraduate	197,737	152,617	559,461	234,362	1,144,177
Postgraduate	5,314	6,455	27,569	12,141	51,479
Total	209,129	233,839	587,030	276,433	1,306,431

Source: Secretaría de Educación Pública (SEP), Secretariat of Public Education.

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation costs are an important barrier for students who must live away from home. Very few Mexican universities offer student residences. At those that do, such as *Instituto Tecnológico de Estudios Superiores Monterrey (ITESM)*, Monterrey Technical Institute, costs range from under \$5,000 Mexican pesos per semester for double rooms to almost \$10,000 Mexican pesos for a single, air-conditioned room. Living in Mexico City requires approximately US \$500 to \$600 per month.

TECHNICAL INSTITUTES

Mexico has a coordinated multi-level system of technical training. Public activities in this area are the responsibility of the *Sistema Nacional de Educación Tecnológica (SNET)*, National Technological Education System. The *SNET* operates at four levels:

- job training, including 50 specialties and 6 technical careers through 235 campuses;
- high school technical training, including 975 campuses offering a total of 133 technical certificates and 89 technical high school diplomas;
- higher education, including 28 different degree programs offered through 116 campuses; and
- postgraduate, including 39 master's degrees and 11 doctoral programs.

In most cases, students can pursue technical studies either by attending classes, or through home studies, with access to instructors on weekends.