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### FALL 2007 CIRP FRESHMAN SURVEY

ERAU participated in the nationwide administration of the 2007 CIRP<sup>1</sup> Freshman Survey, a study developed to gather information from students prior to their experiencing college life. Demographic, experiential, and attitudinal information are gathered as first-time students begin their educational experience.

The office of Institutional Research (IR) administered the survey to Fall 2007 first-time students at both the Daytona Beach and Prescott campuses during scheduled class time of the college success courses. Out of 1038 first-time students from the Daytona Beach campus, a total of 585 (56%) responded to the survey. Out of 400 first-time students from the Prescott campus, 199 (50%) responded to the survey. Variations between the proportions in the sample and the population were found within degree program for both the Daytona Beach and Prescott campuses. To correct for this potential bias, responses presented in this preview have been statistically weighted by degree program for both campuses.

This issue of the *IR PREVIEW* summarizes findings of the 2007 CIRP Freshman Survey and, where applicable, compares ERAU findings to those from a national comparative group – first-time students entering “highly selective”, private four-year colleges – obtained from the longitudinal CIRP study.

### ◆ The Students

Figure 1  
Percent Noting English as a Second Language

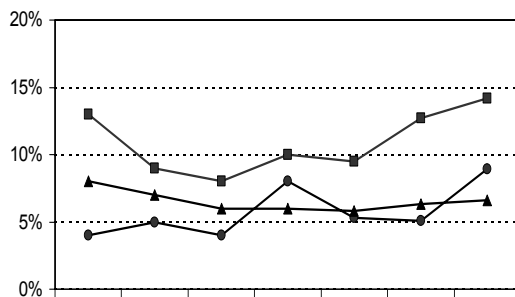
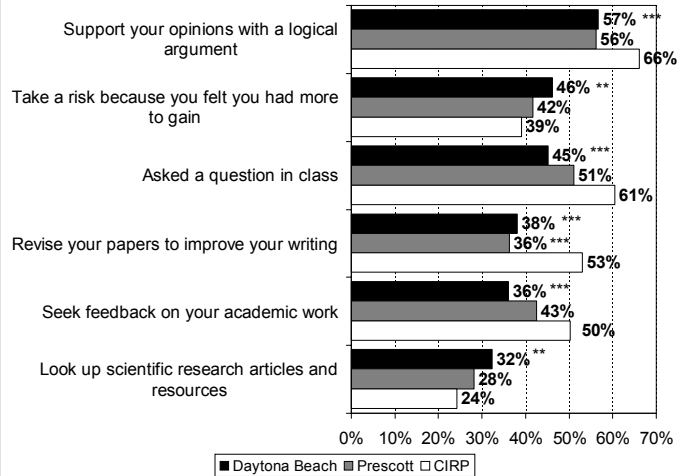


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### Percent with Frequent Participation in Select Activities in the Past Year

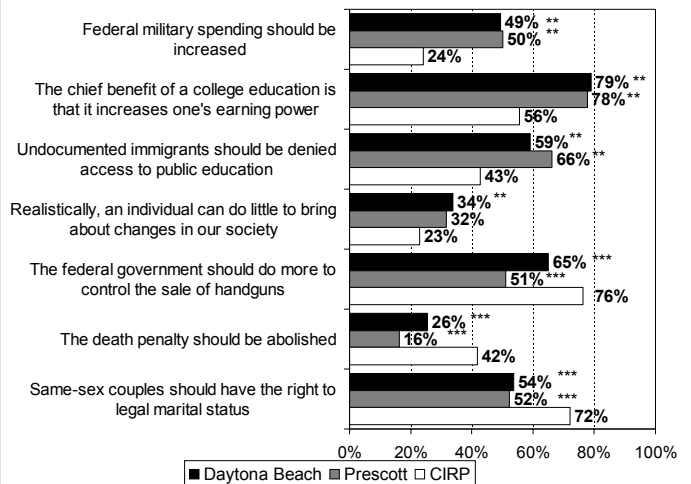


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### Social Issues (percent responding strongly agree or somewhat agree)

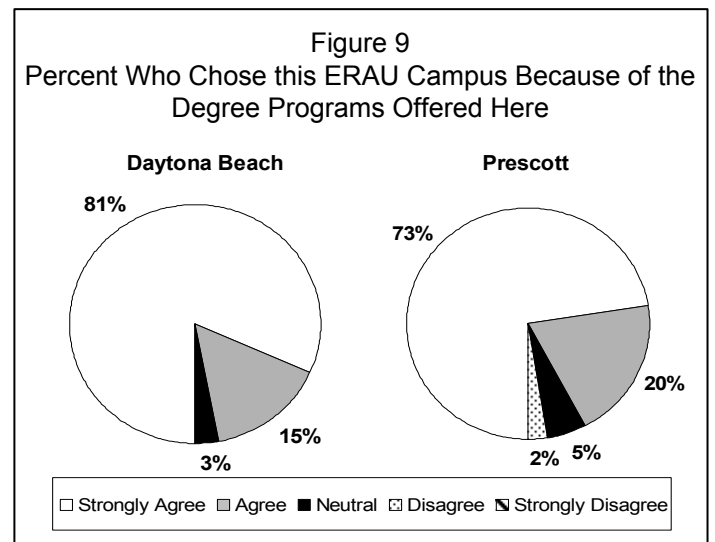
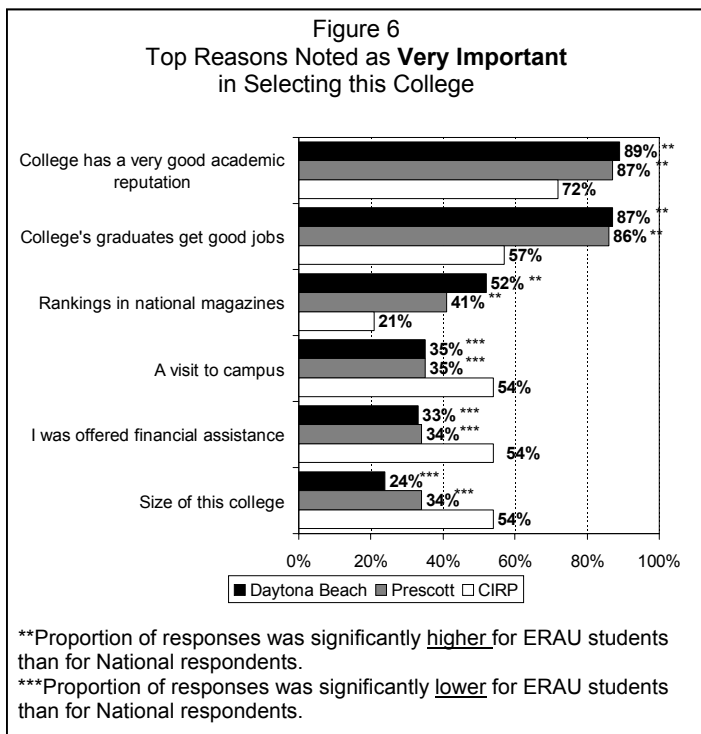
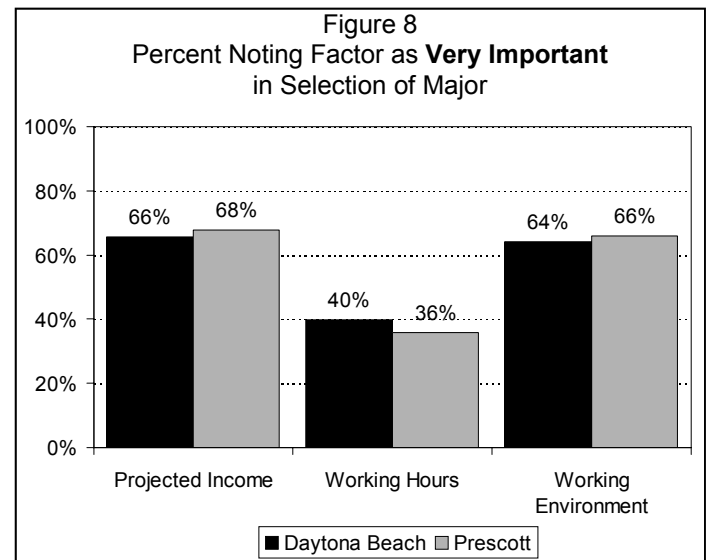
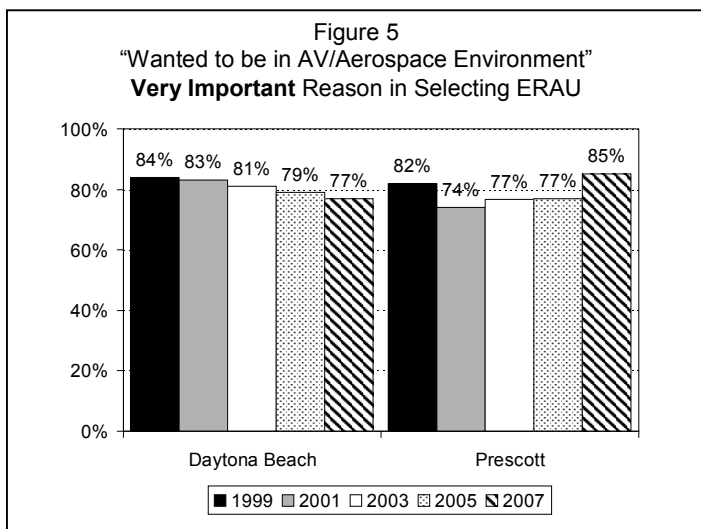
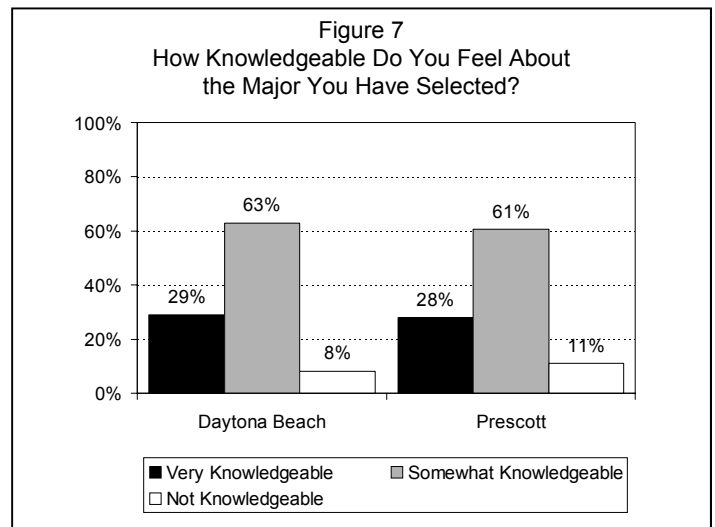
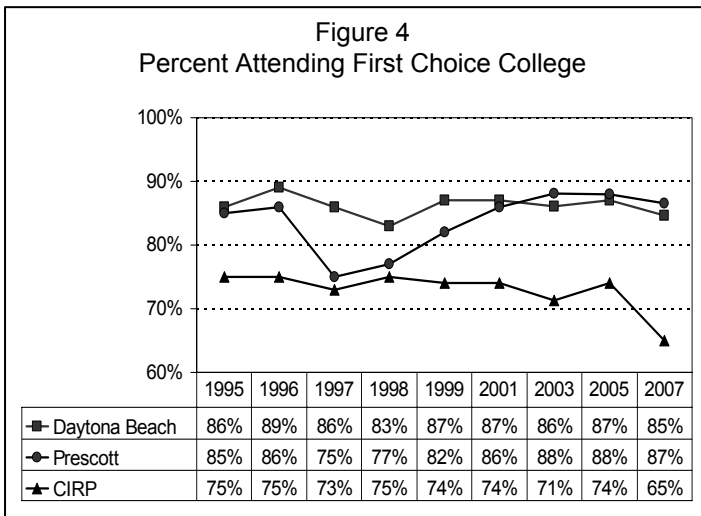


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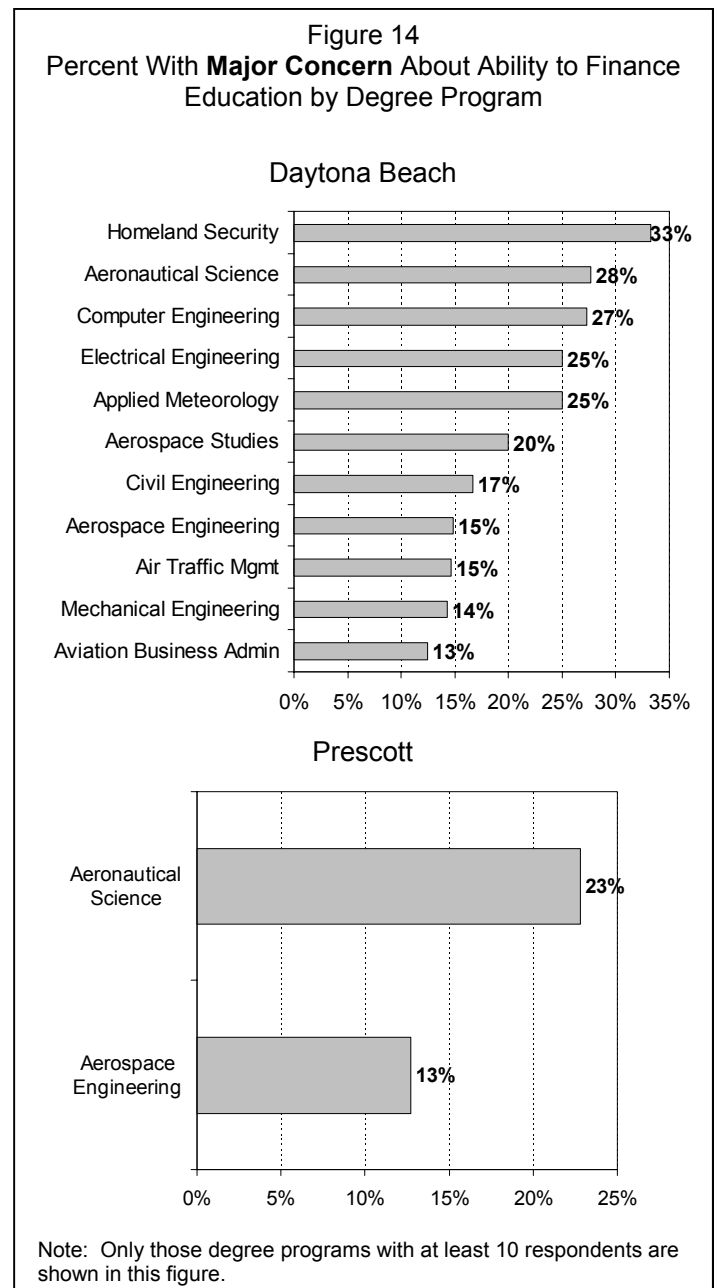
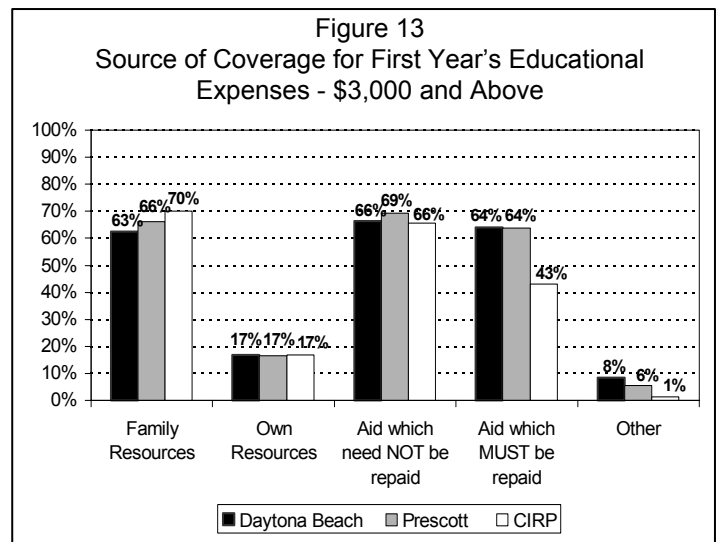
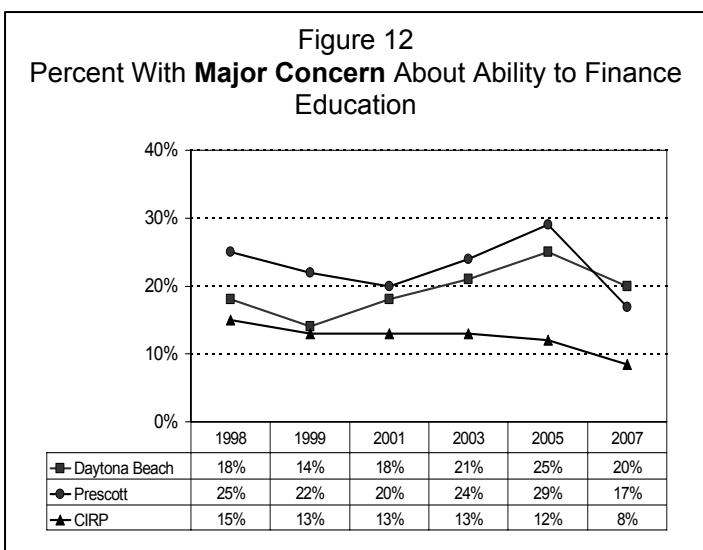
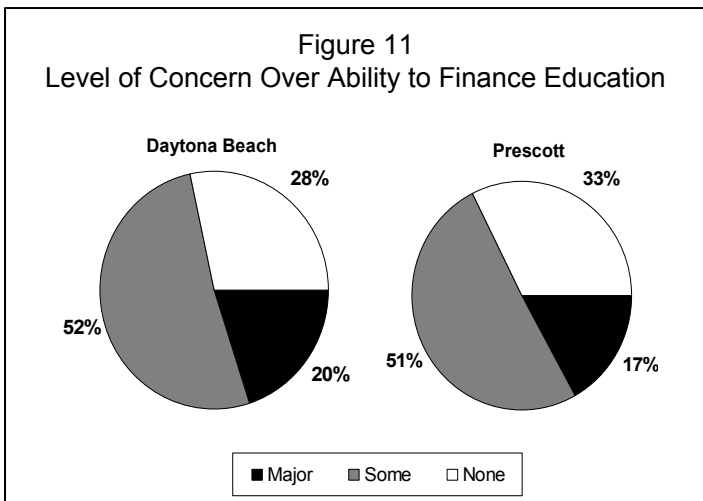
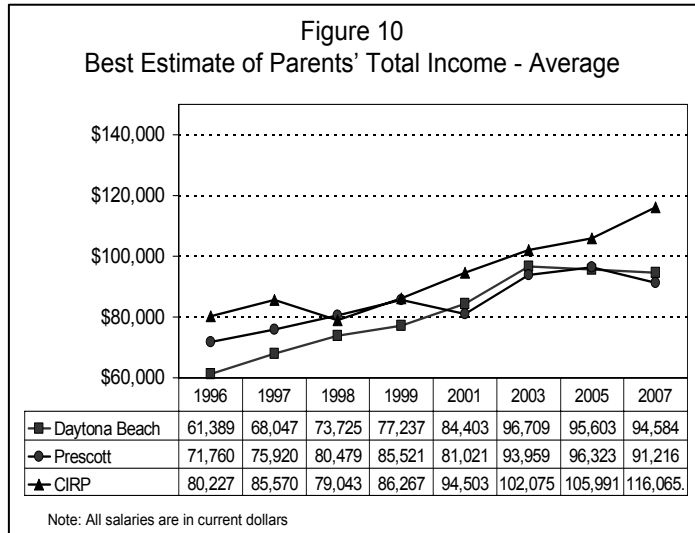
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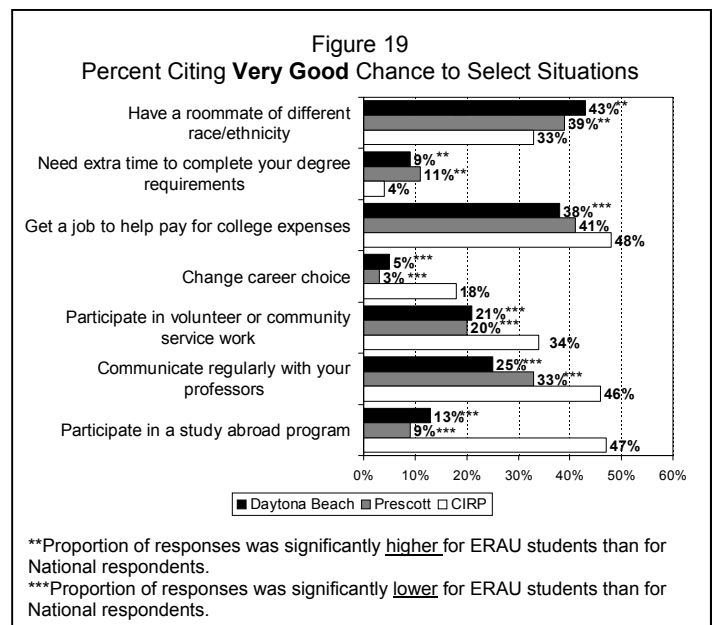
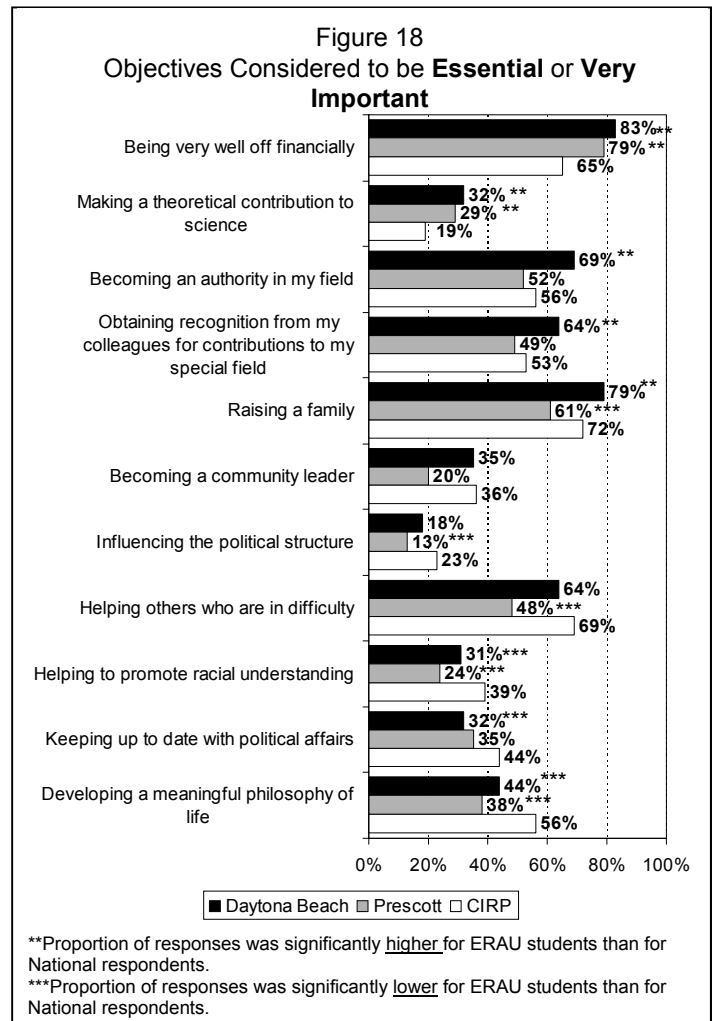
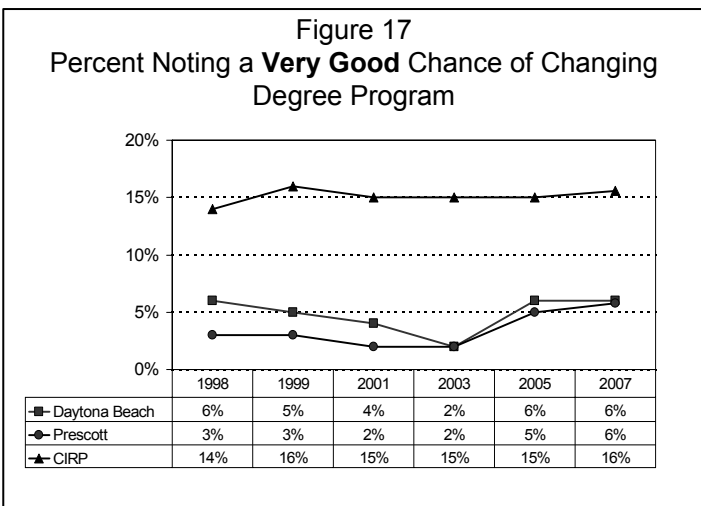
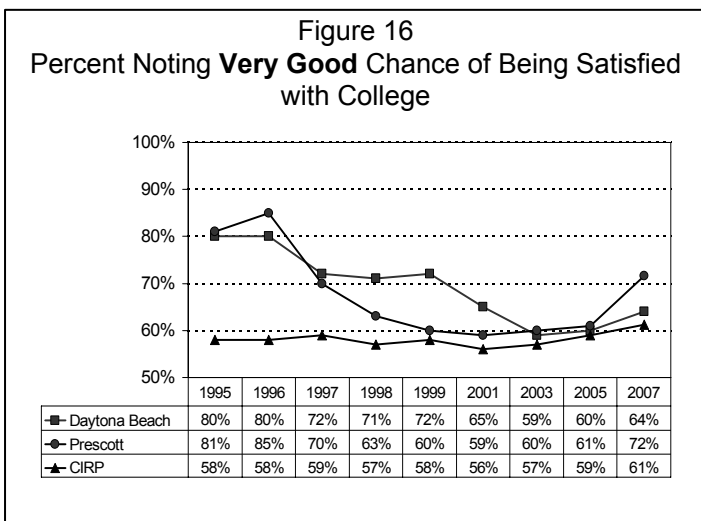
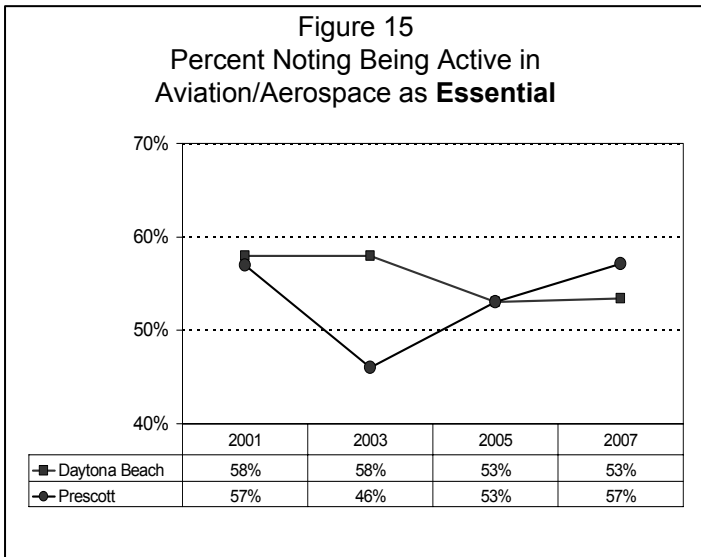
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