

2009 Greek Life Study

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INTRODUCTION

The 2009 Greek Life Study was conducted in order to assess progress within the Greek community after the implementation of the recommendations presented in the Greek Life Task Force Report. Similar surveys were administered in 2001 and 2004. Topics in the survey included overall impressions of OSU and the Greek community, campus involvement, community service and philanthropic involvement, recruitment and new member education, academics, diversity, fiscal issues, risk management, alcohol and partying, and University support of the Greek community. In all three administrations, two surveys were conducted: one of Greek members and the other of non-Greek students. The two surveys were parallel in structure and whenever possible asked the same questions of Greek and non-Greek students. The focus of this report is comparisons of survey findings from 2001, 2004, and 2009 for both the Greek and non-Greek students.

Survey Administration and Sample

The two surveys were administered in the spring quarter of 2009. The survey of the OSU Greek community included all 3,066 students who were active or new members of OSU fraternities or sororities during Spring Quarter 2009. The survey of the non-Greek OSU undergraduate students was sent to a random sample of 3,066 students who were not active, new, or former members of OSU fraternities or sororities during Spring Quarter 2009.

Student Voice was used to administer the survey. Students were sent an initial email requesting their participation as well as information about the rewards for participating. In order to take the survey, students simply had to click on a web link. They were sent three reminders before the survey closed.

A total of 1,150 students responded to the Greek survey, yielding a response rate of approximately 37.5%. Among these Greek students, 85.6% entered Ohio State as new first quarter freshmen, 3.9% changed from a regional campus, and 10.6% transferred to Ohio State from other institutions. Most of the Greek respondents accepted an invitation to join their fraternity or sorority in their first or second year of school, with 70.3% in their first year and 24.3% in their second year. Winter is the quarter when most Greek students accepted the invitation to join (71.3%), followed by spring (14.6%), autumn (13.9%), and summer (0.2%). For the non-Greek student survey, the response rate is 25.1%, with 770 students completing the survey. 64.0% of the non-Greek respondents entered the university as new first quarter freshmen, 8.4% were campus change students, and 27.6% were transfers. 28.3% of the non-Greek students live on campus.

FINDINGS

The findings from the survey are organized in the following sections: overall impressions, campus involvement and employment, community service and philanthropic involvement, membership recruitment, membership education, academics, diversity, fiscal issues, risk management, alcohol and partying, and University support of the Greek community. This report includes findings from the 2009 Greek and non-Greek surveys and comparisons to the 2001 and 2004 surveys.

Overall Impressions

Overall Impressions of OSU

Table 1. Overall, how satisfied are you with your experience at Ohio State? (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001*		2004*		2009*	
	Greeks (n=617)	Non-Greeks (n=402)	Greeks (n=605)	Non-Greeks (n=403)	Greeks (n=1044)	Non-Greeks (n=711)
Very satisfied	67.9	45.5	72.6	55.6	81.4	60.0
Somewhat satisfied	29.2	45.8	25.5	40.7	17.0	35.3
Somewhat unsatisfied	2.6	7.5	1.7	3.0	1.3	4.4
Very unsatisfied	0.3	1.2	0.3	0.7	0.3	0.7

* Responses by Greek and Non-Greek students were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 2. How well has OSU met your expectations so far? (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001*		2004*		2009*	
	Greeks* (n=617)	Non-Greeks (n=402)	Greeks* (n=605)	Non-Greeks (n=405)	Greeks* (n=1044)	Non-Greeks (n=711)
Much better than I expected	15.6	6.2	13.6	6.9	33.1	13.5
Better than I expected	37.7	32.8	50.7	40.7	45.1	46.3
About what I expected	40.6	53.2	31.7	48.1	19.1	33.2
Worse than I expected	5.4	7.2	3.8	3.7	2.4	6.6
Much worse than I expected	0.8	0.5	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.4

* Responses by Greek and Non-Greek students were statistically different, $p < .05$.

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 3. Overall, how connected do you feel to the OSU community? (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001*		2004*		2009*	
	Greeks (n=617)	Non-Greeks (n=402)	Greeks (n=605)	Non-Greeks (n=405)	Greeks (n=1044)	Non-Greeks (n=711)
Very connected	42.1	18.5	39.3	21.2	49.9	21.9
Somewhat connected	48.9	49.4	52.9	53.3	44.4	49.5
Only a little connected	7.3	25.8	7.3	20.2	4.9	22.4
Not connected at all	1.6	6.3	0.5	5.2	0.8	6.2

* Responses by Greek and Non-Greek students were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 4. How important is it to you to feel a sense of community on campus? (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001*		2004*		2009*	
	Greeks* (n=617)	Non-Greeks (n=402)	Greeks* (n=605)	Non-Greeks (n=404)	Greeks* (n=1044)	Non-Greeks (n=711)
Very important	55.9	27.1	59.5	30.2	67.9	39.8
Somewhat important	37.8	52.5	37.0	55.4	28.9	48.1
Somewhat unimportant	4.4	16.9	3.0	8.9	2.5	8.6
Not important at all	1.9	3.5	0.5	5.4	0.7	3.5

* Responses by Greek and Non-Greek students were statistically different, $p < .05$.

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Overall Impressions of Greek Life

Table 5. Overall, how satisfied are you with your experience as a member of a Greek organization? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Very satisfied	74.5	75.2	63.8
Somewhat satisfied	21.8	21.2	31.8
Somewhat unsatisfied	2.8	2.8	3.3
Very unsatisfied	1.0	0.8	1.2

Table 6. How well has your Greek experience met your expectations so far? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Much better than I expected	34.3	28.3	35.3
Better than I expected	37.7	44.0	36.3
About what I expected	23.4	24.0	21.0
Worse than I expected	4.4	3.6	6.1
Much worse than I expected	0.2	0.2	1.3

Table 7. Overall, how satisfied are you with cultural activities offered through your Chapter? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Very satisfied	38.9	38.6	30.9
Somewhat satisfied	50.8	50.5	52.4
Somewhat unsatisfied	8.1	9.6	14.2
Very unsatisfied	2.2	1.3	2.5

Table 8. Overall, how satisfied are you with leadership development activities offered through your Chapter? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Very satisfied	68.4	65.3	57.5
Somewhat satisfied	27.3	30.7	34.4
Somewhat unsatisfied	3.6	3.3	6.4
Very unsatisfied	0.7	0.7	1.8

Table 9. How would you describe the influence the Greek community as a whole has on the OSU community? (Non-Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
A very positive influence	2.0	4.2	3.5
A somewhat positive influence	26.8	39.4	26.5
Neither a positive nor a negative influence	54.8	46.6	52.8
A somewhat negative influence	14.3	8.7	13.2
A very negative influence	2.0	1.1	4.0

Table 10. How important do you think the Greek community is for the social life of campus? (Non-Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Very important	8.6	9.9	9.5
Somewhat important	55.6	55.9	45.1
Somewhat unimportant	27.4	27.3	29.6
Very unimportant	8.4	6.9	15.8

Campus Involvement and Employment

Table 11. Are you involved in activities or with organizations on campus? (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001		2004		2009	
	Greeks* (n=617)	Non-Greeks* (n=402)	Greeks* (n=605)	Non-Greeks* (n=404)	Greeks* (n=1028)	Non-Greeks* (n=711)
Yes	59.5	47.8	67.8	50.6	75.6	65.7
No	40.5	52.2	32.2	49.4	24.4	34.3

Note. For Greek students, this is involvement in activities other than the Greek system.

* Responses by Greeks and non-Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 12. Current Employment: Greeks and Non-Greeks

Response by %	2001		2004*		2009*	
	Greeks (n=617)	Non-Greeks (n=402)	Greeks (n=603)	Non-Greeks (n=405)	Greeks (n=849)	Non-Greeks (n=646)
Employed on campus	19.3	18.7	18.2	23.7	23.6	27.2
Employed off campus	39.4	38.8	29.7	34.3	24.9	30.0
Employed both on and off campus	4.1	5.0	4.5	2.5	5.5	7.1
Not employed	37.3	37.5	47.6	39.5	46.1	35.6

* Responses by Greek and Non-Greek students were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 13. My Chapter encourages campus involvement. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Strongly agree	67.7	74.0	65.4
Somewhat agree	30.8	23.1	28.4
Somewhat disagree	1.3	2.3	5.3
Strongly disagree	0.0	0.5	0.8

Table 14. How likely are you to attend a party or other functions sponsored by a sorority or fraternity? (Non-Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Very likely	6.2	7.4	6.0
Somewhat likely	24.6	27.4	27.7
Somewhat unlikely	28.1	27.4	24.1
Very unlikely	41.0	37.8	42.2

Community Service and Philanthropic Involvement

Table 15. Have you personally participated in community service activities this year that were required by your Chapter? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Yes	62.6	68.6	86.4
No	37.4	31.4	13.6

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 16. Have you personally participated in philanthropic events this year that were required by your Chapter? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Yes	65.6	70.1	91.3
No	34.4	29.9	8.7

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 17. How would you describe your Chapter's level of involvement in community service? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Too much	1.6	1.5	7.3
Just right	69.1	75.0	57.9
Not enough	29.3	23.5	33.4
Not involved	N/A	N/A	1.5

Note. "Not involved" was not a response option in the 2001 and 2004 instruments.

Table 18. How would you describe your Chapter's level of involvement in philanthropic activities? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Too much	1.6	2.3	7.4
Just right	78.7	84.2	71.4
Not enough	19.7	13.5	20.5
Not involved	N/A	N/A	0.8

Note. "Not involved" was not a response option in the 2001 and 2004 instruments.

Table 19. Greek organizations at OSU perform community service by raising money for non-profit or community service organizations. (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001*		2004*		2009*	
	Greeks (n=615)	Non-Greeks* (n=345)	Greeks (n=602)	Non-Greeks* (n=351)	Greeks (n=992)	Non-Greeks* (n=653)
Strongly agree	69.3	11.0	70.1	16.8	52.8	24.7
Somewhat agree	27.8	71.9	26.7	71.8	38.6	60.3
Somewhat disagree	2.1	15.9	2.8	10.5	7.2	11.8
Strongly disagree	0.8	1.2	0.3	0.9	1.4	3.2

* Responses by Greek and Non-Greek students were statistically different, $p < .05$.

* Responses by non-Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 20. Greek organizations at OSU perform important community service through hands-on involvement in the community. (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001*		2004*		2009*	
	Greeks* (n=613)	Non-Greeks* (n=331)	Greeks* (n=603)	Non-Greeks* (n=350)	Greeks* (n=992)	Non-Greeks* (n=653)
Strongly agree	48.1	9.1	56.5	12.6	52.8	19.3
Somewhat agree	43.9	63.4	37.7	68.3	38.6	57.3
Somewhat disagree	6.4	24.5	5.1	18.0	7.2	19.1
Strongly disagree	1.6	3.0	0.7	1.1	1.4	4.3

* Responses by Greek and Non-Greek students were statistically different, $p < .05$.

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

* Responses by Non-Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Membership Recruitment

Table 21. How did you find out about fraternities and sororities? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Friends	49.4	53.6	79.0
Current chapter members	12.2	7.2	47.4
Greek Alumni(ae) or relatives who were/are Greek	27.9	20.5	30.2
At Orientation of new students	6.6	4.1	13.4
At the Involvement fair (Sept. during Welcome Week)	16.9	15.6	39.1
Pamphlets/mailer/publication sent to you during the academic year	9.4	6.1	17.3
From osugreeks.com			13.3
From ohiounion.osu.edu/greek_life	6.3	5.3	12.6
Other	10.6	11.3	7.3

Note₁. Multiple responses provided; total exceeds 100%.

Note₂. "From osugreek.com" and "From ohiounion.osu.edu/greek_life" were collapsed into one category in the 2004 and 2001 reports.

Table 22. Have you participated in new member recruitment, rush, or membership intake for any fraternity or sorority? (Non-Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Yes	11.0	8.6	15.1
No	89.0	91.4	85.0

* Responses by Non-Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 23. Are you considering joining or planning to join a fraternity or sorority in the future? (Non-Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Yes	8.7	7.7	11.3
No	91.3	92.3	88.7

* Responses by Non-Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Membership Education

Table 24. Did you experience any activities that made you uncomfortable during the new member, pledging, or intake process? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Yes	5.2	4.6	8.1
No	94.8	95.4	91.9

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 25. I am aware of others in the Greek community who participated in events or activities during the new member process that would be embarrassing to the university or to the national organization if they became public. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Strongly agree	20.8	20.5	31.3
Somewhat agree	35.2	37.9	38.8
Somewhat disagree	25.3	18.3	16.3
Strongly disagree	18.7	20.8	13.6

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 26. Greek students participate in events or activities during the new member or pledging period that are embarrassing and degrading. (Non-Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Strongly agree	21.6	17.5	19.6
Somewhat agree	52.8	39.4	47.5
Somewhat disagree	20.5	35.1	26.5
Strongly disagree	5.1	8.0	6.4

* Responses by non-Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 27. Hazing is a problem in the Greek community at OSU. (Non-Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Strongly agree	18.3	10.8	11.3
Somewhat agree	43.3	27.7	28.9
Somewhat disagree	31.0	45.3	43.8
Strongly disagree	7.4	16.2	15.9

* Responses by non-Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 28. During the new member process, I found it difficult to keep up academically. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Strongly agree	3.6	4.1	4.9
Somewhat agree	13.7	19.0	24.8
Somewhat disagree	25.7	27.5	34.7
Strongly disagree	57.0	49.3	35.6

Table 29. The membership education I received during the new member process provided me with the knowledge I needed about Greek life at OSU. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Strongly agree	57.9	54.9	39.9
Somewhat agree	34.1	36.6	42.6
Somewhat disagree	5.9	7.5	12.9
Strongly disagree	2.1	1.0	4.8

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Academics

Table 30. Would you say the academic performance of fraternity/sorority members is better than, the same as, or worse than that of other male/female undergraduate students at OSU? (Non-Greeks only)

Response by %	Fraternities			Sororities		
	2001	2004	2009	2001	2004	2009
Better	8.2	11.4	5.4	10.9	13.3	10.8
The same	59.2	60.0	68.6	64.7	64.4	75.3
Worse	17.2	11.6	26.0	8.2	6.7	13.9
Don't know	7.7	17.0	N/A	16.2	15.6	N/A

Note. "Don't know" was not a response option for this question in the 2009 instrument.

Table 31. How satisfied are you with the academic support your Chapter offers? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Very satisfied	56.8	55.7	45.8
Somewhat satisfied	36.0	36.3	41.4
Somewhat unsatisfied	6.1	6.5	10.0
Very unsatisfied	1.1	1.5	2.8

Table 32. To what extent do you feel your Chapter emphasizes academic and intellectual development? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
To a great extent	56.3	59.8	61.7
To a moderate extent	38.4	33.9	28.3
To a slight extent	4.9	5.8	8.8
Not at all	0.5	0.5	1.3

Table 33. In general, how has your Greek experience affected your grades? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Very helpful to my grades	17.6	13.7	14.2
Somewhat helpful to my grades	32.0	31.6	30.6
Neither helpful nor harmful	47.1	48.5	44.2
Somewhat harmful to my grades	3.1	5.8	10.4
Very harmful to my grades	0.2	0.3	0.8

Diversity

Table 34. Do you consider your chapter/ the Greek community to be diverse in terms of race, ethnicity, religion, and sexual orientation? (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001*		2004*		2009*	
	Greeks (n=617)	Non-Greeks (n=402)	Greeks (n=605)	Non-Greeks (n=405)	Greeks (n=884)	Non-Greeks (n=653)
Yes to all	37.6	25.6	39.3	38.0	24.6	17.6
Yes to some	41.5	32.6	40.2	33.8	59.8	55.7
No to all	20.6	29.9	20.2	15.6	15.6	26.5
Don't know	0.3	11.9	0.3	12.6	N/A	N/A

* Responses by Greek and Non-Greek students were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Note. "Don't know" was not a response option for this question in the 2009 instrument.

Table 35. Does your Chapter currently offer educational sessions on diversity? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Yes	59.8	82.0	79.9
No	36.8	15.0	20.1
Don't know	3.4	3.0	N/A

Note. "Don't know" was not a response option for this question in the 2009 instrument.

Table 36. Based on your experience, how concerned do you think the Greek community is with issues related to diversity? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Very concerned	7.9	12.8	12.2
Somewhat concerned	47.1	51.7	44.2
Neither concerned nor unconcerned	27.9	19.7	27.7
Somewhat unconcerned	12.9	13.5	10.1
Very unconcerned	4.1	2.3	5.8

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 37. Do you think members of your Chapter/the Greek community are more likely, less likely, or about as likely as other OSU students to be interested in knowing people from different racial/ethnic backgrounds? (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001*		2004*		2009*	
	Greeks (n=617)	Non-Greeks* (n=402)	Greeks (n=603)	Non-Greeks* (n=350)	Greeks (n=884)	Non-Greeks* (n=653)
More likely	34.2	13.0	36.8	10.9	35.5	6.1
About as likely	59.1	52.7	57.0	70.5	58.6	61.6
Less likely	6.7	34.3	6.1	18.7	5.9	32.3

* Responses by Greek and Non-Greek students were statistically different, $p < .05$.

* Responses by non-Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 38. Do you think members of your chapter/the Greek community are more likely, less likely, or about as likely as other OSU students to be prejudiced or racist? (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001*		2004*		2009*	
	Greeks* (n=617)	Non-Greeks* (n=402)	Greeks* (n=603)	Non-Greeks* (n=350)	Greeks* (n=884)	Non-Greeks* (n=653)
More likely	2.8	20.8	3.0	11.8	6.6	29.4
About as likely	43.5	67.7	34.1	77.5	44.7	63.3
Less likely	53.7	11.5	62.9	10.7	48.8	7.4

* Responses by Greek and Non-Greek students were statistically different, $p < .05$.

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

* Responses by Non-Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 39. Do you think members of your chapter/the Greek community are more likely, less likely, or about as likely as other OSU students to be accepting of gays, lesbians, and bisexuals? (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001*		2004*		2009*	
	Greeks* (n=617)	Non-Greeks* (n=402)	Greeks* (n=603)	Non-Greeks* (n=350)	Greeks* (n=884)	Non-Greeks* (n=653)
More likely	15.4	4.3	26.3	5.1	27.6	3.2
About as likely	59.7	41.9	56.2	61.8	57.0	50.4
Less likely	24.9	53.9	17.5	33.2	15.4	46.4

* Responses by Greek and Non-Greek students were statistically different, p<.05.

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, p<.05.

* Responses by Non-Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, p<.05.

Table 40. Do you think members of your chapter/the Greek community are more likely, less likely, or about as likely as other OSU students to be from wealthy families? (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001*		2004*		2009*	
	Greeks (n=617)	Non-Greeks (n=402)	Greeks (n=603)	Non-Greeks (n=350)	Greeks (n=884)	Non-Greeks (n=653)
More likely	33.9	72.0	39.5	67.6	36.3	69.8
About as likely	48.6	24.4	47.8	29.3	54.5	28.8
Less likely	17.5	3.6	12.7	3.1	9.2	1.4

* Responses by Greek and Non-Greek students were statistically different, p<.05.

Table 41. Since joining your chapter, have you become more accepting, less accepting, or about the same in accepting those who are different from you? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
More accepting	45.0	39.3	47.6
About the same	54.2	59.8	51.4
Less accepting	0.8	0.8	1.0

Fiscal Issues

Table 42. What would you say about the cost of belonging to your Chapter? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Too much	23.7	23.6	38.0
About right	72.1	69.6	58.4
Too little	4.2	6.8	3.6

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, p<.05.

Table 43. What would you say about the cost of living in your Chapter House? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Too much	9.4	12.7	30.5
About right	81.7	80.4	66.0
Too little	8.9	6.9	3.5

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 44. The cost of belonging to a fraternity or sorority is a barrier to attracting new members. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Strongly agree	17.6	18.7	35.6
Somewhat agree	50.0	51.4	47.3
Somewhat disagree	19.7	19.9	11.7
Strongly disagree	12.7	10.0	5.4

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 45. My Chapter has members become inactive because they can't pay their dues. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Strongly agree	24.5	24.3	35.8
Somewhat agree	37.3	36.2	38.6
Somewhat disagree	17.1	16.0	16.3
Strongly disagree	21.1	23.4	9.4

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 46. My Chapter has difficulty getting members to pay their Chapter bills. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Strongly agree	14.4	9.3	14.7
Somewhat agree	32.1	27.1	32.1
Somewhat disagree	28.5	29.8	32.8
Strongly disagree	25.0	33.8	20.4

Risk Management

Table 47. My Chapter's risk management policies are appropriate. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Strongly agree	69.4	75.6	68.3
Somewhat agree	25.1	21.0	26.9
Somewhat disagree	4.1	3.1	4.0
Strongly disagree	1.4	0.3	0.9

Table 48. For each of the following different risk management issues, please indicate if you have learned anything about the issue through your Chapter. –Physical safety in the house, such as fire codes. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Yes	78.7	83.9	79.0
No	19.0	13.7	11.9
N/A	2.3	2.5	9.2

Table 49. For each of the following different risk management issues please indicate if you have learned anything about the issue through your Chapter. –Hazing policies. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Yes	98.7	97.0	95.5
No	1.1	2.3	2.6
N/A	0.2	0.7	2.0

Table 50. For each of the following different risk management issues please indicate if you have learned anything about the issue through your Chapter. –Hosting responsible social functions. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Yes	98.1	96.5	93.6
No	1.5	3.3	4.3
N/A	0.5	0.2	2.1

Table 51. For each of the following different risk management issues please indicate if you have learned anything about the issue through your Chapter. –Understanding and preventing sexual abuse. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Yes	88.3	80.2	83.0
No	11.0	19.7	13.0
N/A	0.6	0.2	4.0

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 52. For each of the following different risk management issues please indicate if you have learned anything about the issue through your Chapter. –Reducing high risk drinking. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Yes	91.2	87.6	89.1
No	8.3	12.2	7.3
N/A	0.5	0.2	3.6

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, p<.05.

Table 53. My Chapter enforces the Council’s alcohol and drug policies. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Strongly agree	57.3	56.6	55.3
Somewhat agree	35.3	33.1	34.5
Somewhat disagree	6.6	7.6	6.6
Strongly disagree	0.8	27	3.1

Table 54. Stronger policies and guidelines regarding social events have limited the social interaction of chapters. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Strongly agree	55.8	26.7	34.6
Somewhat agree	23.8	38.7	33.3
Somewhat disagree	13.7	22.8	24.5
Strongly disagree	6.7	11.8	7.6

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, p<.05.

Alcohol and Partying

Table 55. Alcohol is a central part of the social life at OSU. (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001*		2004*		2009*	
	Greeks (n=611)	Non-Greeks* (n=401)	Greeks (n=604)	Non-Greeks* (n=401)	Greeks (n=861)	Non-Greeks* (n=653)
Strongly agree	30.4	47.4	28.1	35.4	32.5	60.2
Somewhat agree	39.8	40.4	41.4	47.6	46.9	32.3
Somewhat disagree	17.2	10.2	20.4	14.7	16.3	6.7
Strongly disagree	12.6	2.0	10.1	2.2	4.3	0.8

* Responses by Greek and Non-Greek students were statistically different, p<.05.

* Responses by non-Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, p<.05.

Table 56. Alcohol is a central part of the social life of the Greek community (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001*		2004*		2009*	
	Greeks* (n=611)	Non-Greeks* (n=390)	Greeks* (n=604)	Non-Greeks* (n=377)	Greeks* (n=861)	Non-Greeks* (n=653)
Strongly agree	17.0	56.9	20.0	46.7	32.2	37.2
Somewhat agree	45.5	34.9	44.9	42.7	45.5	35.4
Somewhat disagree	21.9	6.4	22.7	8.5	16.3	23.7
Strongly disagree	15.5	1.8	12.4	2.1	6.0	3.7

* Responses by Greek and Non-Greek students were statistically different, $p < .05$.

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

* Responses by non-Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 57. There is a substance abuse problem among students at OSU. (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001		2004		2009	
	Greeks* (n=597)	Non-Greeks* (n=384)	Greeks* (n=589)	Non-Greeks* (n=371)	Greeks* (n=855)	Non-Greeks* (n=647)
Strongly agree	19.3	17.2	11.9	8.9	10.3	12.4
Somewhat agree	50.8	51.3	41.8	45.6	35.6	42.7
Somewhat disagree	23.8	26.8	35.7	36.7	39.5	37.7
Strongly disagree	6.2	4.7	10.7	8.9	14.6	7.3

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

* Responses by non-Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 58. There is a substance abuse problem among students in the Greek community. (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001*		2004*		2009*	
	Greeks* (n=588)	Non-Greeks* (n=336)	Greeks* (n=576)	Non-Greeks* (n=350)	Greeks* (n=855)	Non-Greeks* (n=647)
Strongly agree	11.2	19.9	7.5	10.0	9.9	16.4
Somewhat agree	46.1	52.4	35.9	42.1	33.5	42.2
Somewhat disagree	29.3	24.7	37.2	37.3	39.4	34.8
Strongly disagree	13.4	3.0	19.4	10.6	17.2	6.7

* Responses by Greek and Non-Greek students were statistically different, $p < .05$.

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

* Responses by non-Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 59. The Greek community at OSU places too much emphasis on partying. (Non-Greeks only)

Response by %	2001	2004	2009
Strongly agree	27.7	23.1	26.3
Somewhat agree	47.9	47.2	39.9
Somewhat disagree	22.9	26.0	28.4
Strongly disagree	1.6	3.8	5.4

Table 60. Alcohol is a central part of the social life of my Chapter. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Strongly agree	7.5	7.6	15.8
Somewhat agree	31.6	29.4	38.1
Somewhat disagree	29.7	33.0	30.6
Strongly disagree	30.6	30.0	15.6

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 61. There is a substance abuse problem among members of my Chapter. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Strongly agree	2.0	1.5	4.8
Somewhat agree	14.3	10.4	18.3
Somewhat disagree	25.4	22.4	32.3
Strongly disagree	58.3	65.7	44.7

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 62. In the past two weeks, how many times have you had five or more drinks at a sitting? (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001*		2004*		2009*	
	Greeks (n=615)	Non-Greeks (n=401)	Greeks (n=604)	Non-Greeks (n=404)	Greeks (n=855)	Non-Greeks (n=647)
0	33.8	50.8	34.9	56.2	22.9	44.6
1	17.2	14.0	22.1	15.3	18.7	18.3
2	16.6	12.5	16.5	11.6	20.2	13.7
3-5	23.7	16.0	19.8	12.1	27.6	17.1
6-9	7.0	6.0	5.1	3.7	9.4	3.7
10 or more	1.6	0.7	1.5	1.0	1.2	0.8
Binge drinking rate	66.2	49.2	65.1	43.8	77.1	55.4
Frequent binge drinking	32.4	22.7	26.4	16.8	38.2	21.6

Note. Frequent binge drinking is defined as having been involved in binge drinking three or more times in the two week period.

* Responses by Greek and Non-Greek students were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 63. Do you drink more, less, or about the same than you did before you came to OSU? (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001*		2004*		2009*	
	Greeks (n=605)	Non-Greeks (n=393)	Greeks (n=590)	Non-Greeks (n=384)	Greeks (n=838)	Non-Greeks (n=588)
More	53.9	45.5	57.5	43.0	75.7	50.7
About the same	32.6	33.8	30.2	32.0	18.0	37.8
Less	12.2	16.0	10.3	16.9	6.3	11.6
Don't drink	1.3	4.6	2.0	8.1	N/A	N/A

* Responses by Greek and Non-Greek students were statistically different, $p < .05$.

University Support of the Greek Community

Table 64. The university provides a welcoming environment for its Greek organizations. (Greeks and non-Greeks)

Response by %	2001*		2004*		2009*	
	Greeks* (n=611)	Non-Greeks (n=372)	Greeks* (n=602)	Non-Greeks (n=364)	Greeks* (n=850)	Non-Greeks (n=)
Strongly agree	9.3	23.7	22.3	42.0	37.1	28.4
Somewhat agree	28.0	63.7	43.9	52.7	45.5	59.8
Somewhat disagree	33.1	10.8	23.9	4.9	14.7	9.3
Strongly disagree	29.6	1.9	10.0	0.3	2.7	2.5

* Responses by Greek and Non-Greek students were statistically different, $p < .05$.

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 65. How satisfied are you with the level of support your Chapter and the Greek community receive from the University? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Very satisfied	9.0	16.2	25.2
Somewhat satisfied	25.5	44.4	52.0
Somewhat dissatisfied	33.5	26.6	18.1
Very dissatisfied	32.0	12.8	4.7

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 66. The Ohio Union and Student Activities help my Chapter form relationships with the rest of the University. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Strongly agree	11.3	23.3	29.4
Somewhat agree	42.2	48.2	46.7
Somewhat disagree	29.6	23.6	19.1
Strongly disagree	16.9	4.9	4.8

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 67. The Ohio Union and Student Activities provide positive publicity for the Greek community as a whole. (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
Strongly agree	11.4	29.8	30.9
Somewhat agree	40.1	52.4	50.4
Somewhat disagree	30.3	13.0	14.6
Strongly disagree	18.2	4.8	4.1

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Table 68. How familiar are you with the Standards of Excellence (previously referred to as Greek Life Task Force Report)? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
I am very familiar with the Standards of Excellence and could explain it to others.	13.8	9.1	20.2
I have read the Standards of Excellence and am generally familiar with it.	30.6	22.6	28.5
I have heard of the Standards of Excellence but have not personally read it.	47.8	46.9	37.2
I have not heard of the Standards of Excellence.	7.8	21.4	14.1

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.

Note. In the 2001 and 2004 administrations of the surveys, Standards of Excellence was referred to as Greek Life Task Force Report (GLTFR).

Table 69. Which of the following statements best describes your attitude toward the Standards of Excellence (previously referred to as Greek Life Task Force Report)? (Greeks only)

Response by %	2001*	2004*	2009*
I fully support the Standards of Excellence and think it will improve the Greek community at Ohio State.	19.8	39.6	50.6
I generally support the Standards of Excellence but am concerned about my Chapter's ability to meet all the requirements.	27.3	32.6	33.7
I understand the reasons for the Standards of Excellence but do not think it is feasible.	42.0	23.5	14.5
I am totally against the Standards of Excellence.	9.6	1.8	1.1
I have not heard of the GLTFR.	1.3	2.5	N/A

Note. In the 2001 and 2004 administrations of the surveys, Standards of Excellence was referred to as Greek Life Task Force Report (GLTFR).

* Responses by Greeks in 2001, 2004, and 2009 were statistically different, $p < .05$.