

### Foreword

The following report is based on a tabulation of a survey taken in July 1941 by the Central Office for Eastern Intercollegiate Athletics. Letters were sent to the athletic directors of 625 colleges throughout the United States. One hundred and fifty-seven replies -- a 25 per cent return -- were received, a result thoroughly satisfactory in view of the fact that arrival of the letter coincided with the departure of many directors on summer vacations.

In considering the findings, it is well to take into account the fact that they paint what we feel is a highly accurate composite picture of what is happening in this field. A 25 per cent return is much more than sufficient to serve as a cross-section representing a whole. Replies came from colleges of every type and size and from every section of the nation. We therefore have no hesitation in saying that, had letters come from every last one of the 625 athletic directors, there would be no more than a slight variance in the statistics which follow.

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