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The State of College Golf 2026

Tessaira's directory tracks 725 NCAA college golf programs across all 50 states, with Alaska the only state at zero, and 58 conferences. Division I accounts for 573 of those 725 programs (79%). Texas and California lead every state with 51 and 50 programs respectively, and the top 10 states alone hold 50.8% of the entire directory. Only 52.6% of programs publish a recruiting questionnaire.

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THE LANDSCAPE

The NCAA directory at a glance

725

PROGRAMS

452

MEN'S

273

WOMEN'S

58

CONFERENCES

DIVISION	PROGRAMS	MEN	WOMEN
NCAA Division I	573	300	273
NCAA Division II	80	80	0
NCAA Division III	72	72	0

Coverage boundary: Division II and III women's golf, NAIA, and NJCAA are not represented at the per-program level in this edition. A zero in those fields is a directory gap, not a claim that the programs do not exist.

Directory verified 2026-05-18. Every count is derived from the same program records used by Tessaira.

THE MAP

Where programs concentrate

The top ten states contain 50.8% of programs in the directory. Families searching nationally are choosing from a market that is geographically uneven.

STATE	PROGRAMS	SHARE
Texas	51	7%
California	50	6.9%
New York	43	5.9%
North Carolina	43	5.9%
Pennsylvania	38	5.2%
Virginia	33	4.6%
Florida	29	4%
South Carolina	29	4%
Ohio	27	3.7%
Tennessee	25	3.4%

States with three or fewer programs: Vermont (1), Delaware (2), Hawaii (2), Montana (2), Wyoming (2), Maine (3).

States with zero programs in this directory: Alaska.

THE ACADEMIC REALITY

Institution facts by division

These figures describe the institution, not a golf-specific admissions bar. Coverage includes 725 matched programs and varies by field.

DIVISION	ADMIT	SAT	IN-STATE	OUT-STATE
D1	67.9% (n=566)	1239 (n=474)	\$26,517	\$36,568
D2	79.1% (n=75)	1124 (n=55)	\$26,484	\$29,991
D3	44.9% (n=72)	1380 (n=64)	\$58,307	\$58,307

Institution data: U.S. Department of Education College Scorecard, 2023–24 data year. Joined to Tessaira program records; collected 2026-07-16.

THE ACCESS LAYER

Recruiting questionnaire availability

A public questionnaire is one self-serve route into a program. Its absence does not mean the program is unreachable; it changes the first move to verified direct outreach.

DIVISION	PROGRAMS	WITH FORM	RATE
NCAA Division I	573	274	47.8%
NCAA Division II	80	60	75%
NCAA Division III	72	47	65.3%

METHODOLOGY

This edition is computed from the Tessaira program directory and School Insights table. It covers NCAA Division I, II, and III program rows currently in the directory. It is not a performance or ranking dataset and contains no team scoring averages, player outcomes, or inferred admissions decisions.

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