What People Are Saying about Indiana’s “Return on Investment” Report

"Hoosier families and taxpayers invest millions of dollars each year in higher education. It is important that they weigh the clear benefit they see in the workforce after graduation with the cost of achieving that benefit. This report shows that postsecondary degrees and credentials are currency in the workplace. I am pleased that our state has been able to connect education and workforce data to help Hoosiers make smart choices as they seek to improve their economic wellbeing through education and training."

– Mike Pence, Governor, State of Indiana

“It is important to connect salary data with degree attainment so that students can make informed decisions about the level of debt they incur.”

– Daniel J. Bradley, President, Indiana State University

“The Indiana Chamber of Commerce applauds the Commission for Higher Education’s Return on Investment report, especially the expansion to include industry-level income data. Even in this era of perpetual high unemployment and stagnant wages, there remain significant opportunities in the Indiana economy for employment at higher wage levels. But to achieve that goal, students and their families must choose wisely – not just in their selection of a college but also in the selection of their majors. This ROI report takes an important step in helping consumers of education to make those selections.”

– Kevin Brinegar, Indiana Chamber of Commerce President and CEO

“The latest Return on Investment report from the Indiana Commission for Higher Education is a valuable resource for any Indiana family planning for college. As the report makes clear, to reap the greatest rewards from their significant investment in higher education, students and families should thoughtfully consider costs, benefits and outcomes in selecting a higher education program. We at USA Funds believe that students must select, pursue and complete their higher education with a purpose in mind.”

– William D. “Bill” Hansen, President and CEO, USA Funds

“Vincennes University appreciates the sacrifices of students and their families when pursuing higher education. Our faculty and staff are dedicated to delivering the best quality education at the lowest possible cost. It is a commitment that defines our mission and our future as Indiana's first college.”

– Richard Helton, President, Vincennes University

“The Indiana Commission for Higher Education’s new Return on Investment report further confirms Indiana’s standing as a leading state in using relevant data and greater transparency to promote increased college completion.”

– Stan Jones, President, Complete College America
“The Return on Investment worksheet is a good first step in helping students and parents understand the costs and benefits associated with a college education.”
   – Thomas Keon, Chancellor, Purdue University – Calumet

“This report provides Hoosiers with clear, high-value information on which Indiana public higher education institutions, degree programs and industries align with their career goals. Lumina Foundation applauds the Commission for Higher Education for undertaking this effort, and working to improve the postsecondary access and success of all Indiana students.”
   – Jamie P. Merisotis, President and CEO, Lumina Foundation for Education

“The Return on Investment Report is an invaluable resource for prospective college students and their families. By comparing the costs of school with average future earnings, Hoosiers will have a more complete picture of the financial aspect of college and be able to make informed decisions.”
   – Hannah Rozow, Student at Indiana University – Bloomington and Student Representative, Indiana Commission for Higher Education

“We support the important efforts by the Commission. Higher education is one of the most important purchases a person can make, for themselves or their children. It is imperative that people research all of their options including the community college.”
   – Thomas J. Snyder, President, Ivy Tech Community College

“The new ICHE Return on Investment report is a helpful addition to information for Hoosier students who are seeking college credentials. The report shows various career prospects and the value of a Purdue degree in the employment marketplace.”
   – Timothy D. Sands, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, Purdue University