



INDIANA COMMISSION *for*  
HIGHER EDUCATION



## **Goal 1: Youth College-Going**

### **Estimated Immediate College Enrollment Rate**

Definition: Estimated percentage of high school graduates who enrolled in postsecondary institutions within the 12-month period following their high school graduation.

- Numerator: State residents who graduated from high school in the previous 12 months and are enrolled in a higher education institution in any state by the fall of the reported year
- Denominator: Estimated total number of high school graduates from public and private high schools in each state

Source(s): [NCES Digest of Education Statistics, Table 309.20](#) ; [Knocking at the College Door | 11th Edition | 2024 - WICHE](#)

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## **Goal 1: Adult College-Going**

### **Estimated Undergraduate Enrollment Rate of Adults Aged 25-64**

Definition: Estimate undergraduate enrollment of adults aged 25-64 in each state's postsecondary institutions compared to the working-age population

- Numerator: Fall undergraduate enrollment of adults aged 25-64 in Title IV degree-granting public and private postsecondary institutions in each state
- Denominator: Adult population aged 25-64 in each state

Source(s): [NCES Trend Generator](#) ; Census Bureau American Community Survey, 1-Year Sample ([Table S0101](#) )

*Note: Enrollments include online institutions based on headquarters location*

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## **Goal 2: Educational Attainment, Specific Populations**

### **Percent of Veterans Aged 25-64 with an Associate Degree or Higher**

Definition: Percent of adults aged 25-64 who report having been "on active duty in the past, but not now" and holding an associate degree or higher

Source: Census Bureau American Community Survey, 1-Year Sample (Custom Microdata Query)

### **Percent of Adults with Disabilities Aged 25-64 with an Associate Degree or Higher**

Definition: Percent of adults aged 25-64 who report having a disability and holding an associate degree or higher

Source: Census Bureau American Community Survey, 1-Year Sample (Custom Microdata Query)

### **Percent of Incarcerated Adults Enrolled in Educational Programs**

Definition: Percent of people incarcerated in adult correctional facilities who are enrolled in some type of educational program

Source: Census Bureau American Community Survey, 5-Year Sample [Census Bureau Table 2602](#)

*Note: Due to data limitations, incarcerated population includes both state and federal facilities. Additionally, students can be enrolled in any level of educational program, not just postsecondary.*

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## **Goal 3: Usage of Credit for Prior Learning**

*The Commission is in the process of collecting data on Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) usage*

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## **Goal 4: Undergraduate Degree Completion Rate**

### **Undergraduate Extended-Time Degree Completion Rate**

Definition: Six-year completion rates among students enrolling for the first-time in 2-year or 4-year public and private non-profit institutions in the fall term

- Numerator: All students completing a degree at any 2-year or 4-year public or private Indiana institution (even after transfer) within six years of enrolling full-time or part-time for the first-time in an Indiana institution in the fall
- Denominator: All students enrolling full-time or part-time for the first-time in a 2-year or 4-year public or private Indiana institution in the fall

Source: [Yearly Progress and Completion | National Student Clearinghouse Research Center](#)

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## Goal 5: Retention and Migration of College Graduates

### Net Change in Young Adults' Educational Attainment Rate Due to Migration

Definition: Net Change in Adults Aged 25-35 Associate Degree or Higher Attainment Rate Due to Migration

Calculation: Percentage of people aged 25-35 with an associate degree or higher living in a particular state MINUS the percentage of people age 25-35 with an associate degree or higher born in that state, living anywhere in US

- A **positive** value means that the state's current young adult population is more highly educated than the young adult population of people born in that state
- A **negative** value means that the state's current young adult population is more highly educated than the young adult population of people born in that state

Source: Census Bureau American Community Survey, 5-Year Sample (Custom Microdata Query)

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## Goal 6: Measurable Distinction of Social and Economic Mobility

### Subnational Human Development Score (SHDI)

Definition: The SHDI is an average of the subnational values of three dimensions: education, health and standard of living resulting in one single index. Scores range from 0 to 1 with 1 being the highest or best.

Index Components:

1. Education: 'Mean years of schooling of adults aged 25+' and 'Expected years of schooling of children aged 6';

2. Health: 'Life expectancy at birth'

3. Standard of living: 'Gross National Income per capita (PPP, 2011 US\$)'.

Source: Global Data Lab ([Subnational Human Development Index](#))

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## **Goal 7: Recognized State for Growing or Starting a Business on the Strength of Human Capital**

Source: Lumina Foundation [Educational Attainment | Stronger Nation](#)

### **Associate Degree or Higher Attainment Rate**

Definition: Percentage of adults aged 25-64 who report having an associate degree or higher level of postsecondary education

### **Bachelor's Degree or Higher Attainment Rate**

Definition: Percentage of adults aged 25-64 who report having a bachelor's degree or higher level of postsecondary education