

Senate Bill 135: The Ohio State University Metrics

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Ohio State degrees are not awarded by campus, therefore post-graduation student debt and employment indicators are not disaggregated by campus.

Indicators	Columbus	Lima	Mansfield	Marion	Newark	Agricultural Technical Institute
Average annual cost of attendance ¹	\$18,134	\$12,924	\$16,277	\$12,832	\$15,059	\$17,953
Student degree completion rates:						
OSU Calculated Fall 2017 Cohort Six-year Graduation Rate ²	87.7%	45.1%	46.0%	49.8%	49.9%	48.0% ³
IPEDS 2017 Cohort Six-year Graduation rate ³	88%	18%	14%	26%	31%	41%
IPEDS excludes from regional campus graduation rates students who received their degree after attending another campus at OSU.						
Percent of first-time, full-time degree/certificate seeking students that borrowed through federal loan programs ¹	35.9%	39.1%	53.1%	31.4%	41.4%	51.3%

Post-graduation student debt rates:	All Campuses
Median federal debt of graduates ¹	\$19,976
Post-graduation student loan default rate ¹	1.0%
Percent making progress ¹	38.4%
Percent not making progress ¹	27.7%
Percent paid in full ¹	13.9%
Percent in deferment ¹	10.9%
Percent in forbearance ¹	6.1%

Post-graduation Employment Rates ⁴	Employment One Year Out	Plans for Graduate or Professional School (Class of 2023) ⁵
Associate's	42%	27.4%
Baccalaureate	65%	23.3%
Masters	74%	8.7%
Doctorate	75%	
Professional	88%	1.6%

Data Sources:

¹ College Scorecard <https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/>: The average annual net price that a student who receives federal financial aid pays to cover expenses (e.g., tuition, living expenses) to attend a school. Net price is the school's cost of attendance minus any grants and scholarships received (December 2024 update).

² Retention and Graduation Rates for NFYS: [Retention, and Graduation | The Ohio State University](#)

³ IPEDS 150% Graduation Rate (Associate's Degrees: 2020 Cohort who had graduated by August 31, 2023.)

⁴ Post-Secondary Employment Outcomes Explorer: US Census Bureau <https://lehd.ces.census.gov/applications/pseo>

⁵ Graduation Survey: <https://cssl.osu.edu/documents/all-university-graduation-survey-2022-2023-report-tagged.pdf>. Plans for Graduate or Professional School for Associate's degrees also includes plans for additional undergraduate coursework.

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