

IPEDS DATA TOOLS GUIDE

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The Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) is a survey tool managed by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) that collects information from postsecondary institutions that are eligible for Title IV funding. The IPEDS Data Center is a rich data resource, and provides detailed information on an institution's enrollment, expenditures and revenues, faculty and staff, financial aid, and much more. The site also has several tools available to access and analyze this data. This guide lays out the data tools available, as well as how to use them.

AVAILABLE DATA TOOLS

Access IPEDS data submitted to NCES through our data tools or download the data to conduct your research.

DATA EXPLORER

Search for tables, charts, publications, or other products related to postsecondary education by keywords and filters. **Ready to print or export to Excel.**

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DATA TRENDS

Use the Trend Generator to view trends on most frequently asked subject areas including: Enrollment, Completions, Graduation Rates, Employees and Staff, Institutional Revenues, and Financial Aid. **Use Build Table and/or Limit Results to target more specific institutions/populations.**

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LOOK UP AN INSTITUTION

Look up information **for one institution at a time**. Data can be viewed in two forms: institution profile (similar to College Navigator) and reported data (institution's response to each survey question).

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DATA FEEDBACK REPORT

Download, print, or customize an institution's Data Feedback Report, a report that graphically summarizes selected institutional data and compares the data with peer institutions. **A great tool for Peer data comparisons – utilize the EZ Group feature!**

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COMPARE INSTITUTIONS

Download IPEDS data files for more than 7,000 institutions and up to 250 variables. Data files are provided in comma separated value (*.csv) format.

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STATISTICAL TABLES

Create **simple descriptive statistics** (e.g., total, count, average, median, standard deviation, percentiles) on selected IPEDS institutions and variables.

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SUMMARY TABLES

Customize a summary table for a select subgroup of institutions on the following **popular topics**: tuition and fees, room and board, student financial aid, admissions, test scores, student enrollment, degrees/certificates awarded, and graduation rates.

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