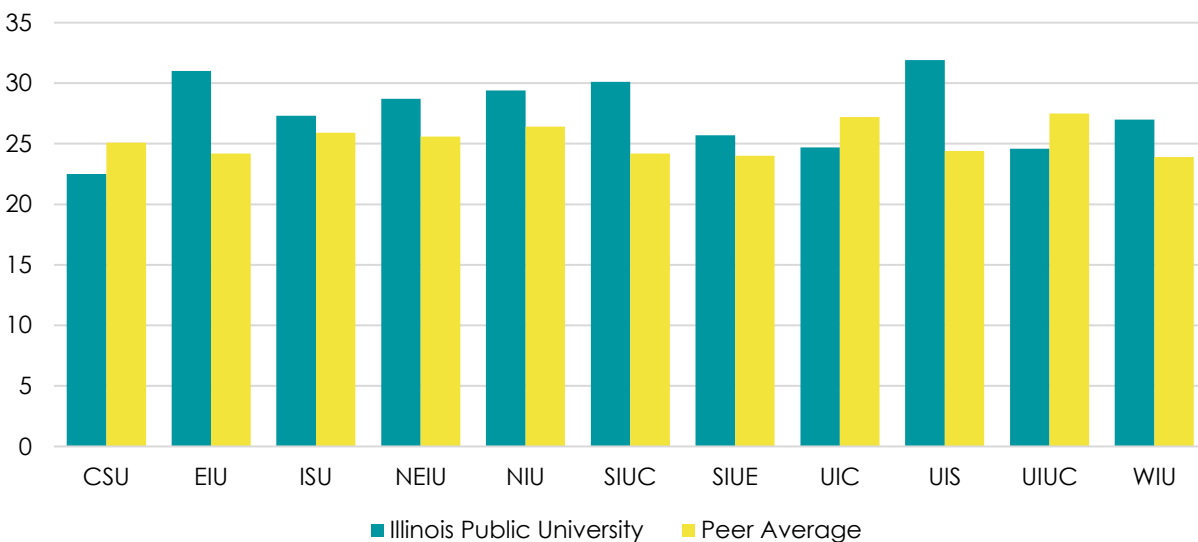


DEGREE PRODUCTIVITY AT ILLINOIS PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES

FY 2014 Degrees per 100 FTE



Data Source: Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS)-12 month FTE enrollment for 2014 and total degrees (Associate's, Bachelor's, Master's, Doctorate, & Professional) for 2014.

Why examine degrees per 100 FTE?

"Degrees per 100 FTE" has traditionally been used as an institutional productivity/efficiency measure indicating how many degrees are awarded in a year relative to the number of full-time equivalent students. As noted in the Aspen Institute's report on using comparative information to improve student success (2014), the measure illustrates a college's total "outputs" (degrees) relative to its total "inputs" (students). As a metric, degrees per 100 FTE takes into consideration all students including part-time and transfer students, two groups that traditionally are not included in the calculation of graduation rates. Graduation rates typically rely solely on first-time/ full-time undergraduate students. It has been argued that degrees per 100 FTE is most meaningful when shown in comparison to other institutions, as was done here (Aspen Institute, 2014)

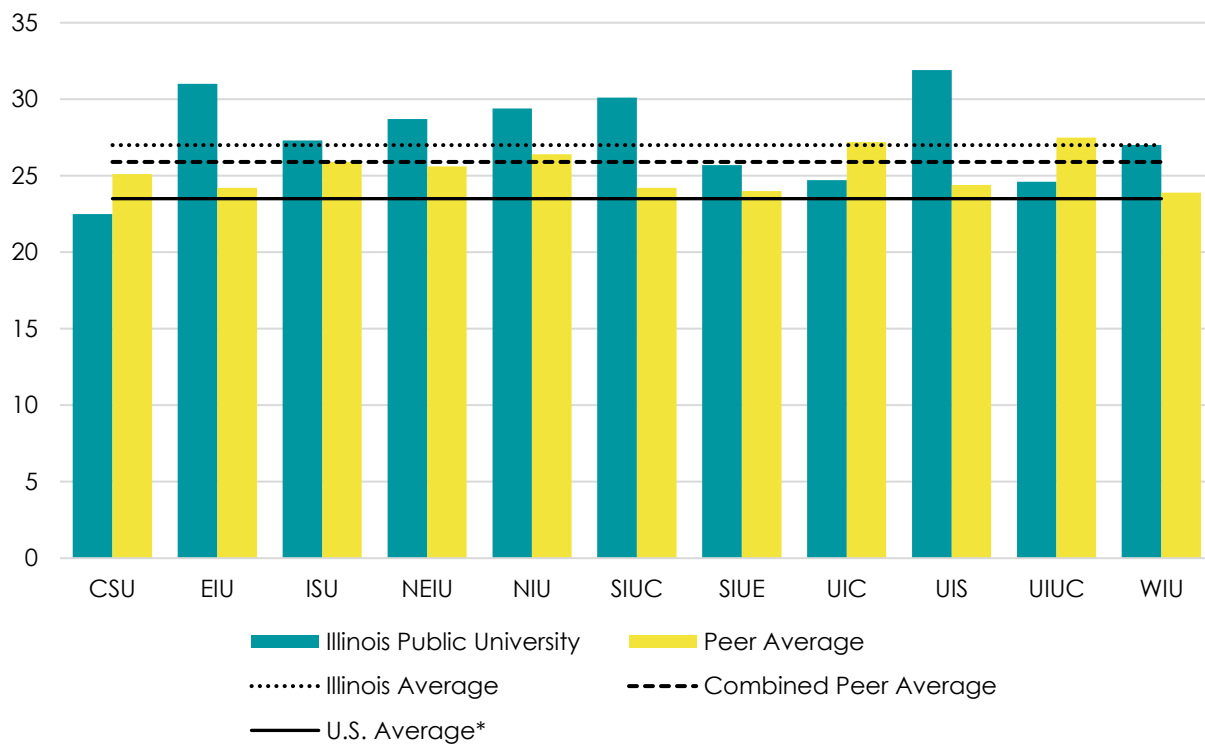
How do Illinois Public Universities perform relative to their peers and all other public universities?

Relative to other public universities, nearly all Illinois public universities are above average in this productivity measure and in many instances they are well above average. With the exception of Chicago State University, all of the Illinois public universities awarded more degrees per FTE than the U.S. average of 23.5 (this measure

excludes the Illinois schools); and in most cases the relative difference from the average was quite large. For example, UIS and EIU awarded around a third more degrees per 100 FTE relative to the U.S. average. Also, the combined average of the Illinois public universities (27.0 degrees per FTE) is 15% higher than the national average.

When compared to similar peer institutions, eight out of the 11 Illinois public universities¹ were identified as being more productive specific to this measure (all except UIUC, UIC, and CSU). The peers included in this analysis were purposefully selected to account for programmatic offerings and student body composition (see list). Illinois public universities, in aggregate, performed slightly better than the combined peer average (27.0 compared to 25.9).

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¹ Governors State University was excluded because it only recently added lower division students.

List of Peer Groups Selected by Each Illinois Public University

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

University of California, Berkeley
University of California,
Los Angeles
University of California, San Diego
University of Michigan
University of North Carolina
at Chapel Hill
University of Texas at Austin
University of Virginia
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin – Madison

University of Illinois at Chicago

University at Buffalo
University of Alabama
at Birmingham
University of Cincinnati
University of Connecticut
University of Louisville
University of South Florida
University of Utah
Virginia Commonwealth University

University of Illinois at Springfield

Auburn University at Montgomery
College of Charleston
Georgia College and
State University
Lake Superior State University
Northern Michigan University
Shippensburg University
of Pennsylvania
SUNY College at Brockport
University of South Dakota
University of Wisconsin –
Green Bay

Southern Illinois University Carbondale

East Carolina University
Kent State University
University of Louisville
University of Missouri – Kansas City
University of North Dakota
University of Northern Colorado
West Virginia University
Wright State University

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville

East Tennessee State University
Grand Valley State University
Marshall University
Oakland University
University of Missouri – Kansas City
University of North Carolina
at Greensboro
University of South Alabama
Western Carolina University

Illinois State University

Ball State University
Bowling Green State University
Central Michigan University
Miami University
Old Dominion University
Portland State University
University of North Carolina
at Charlotte
University of North Carolina
at Greensboro
Western Michigan University
Wichita State University

Northern Illinois University

Ball State University
Central Michigan University
Kent State University
Ohio University
University of Massachusetts
Amherst
University of Toledo
Western Michigan University

Western Illinois University

Appalachian State University
Central Washington University
Grand Valley State University
James Madison University
Montclair State University
Truman State University
University of Central Missouri
University of Nebraska at Kearney
University of Northern Iowa
University of Wisconsin – La Crosse
University of Wisconsin –
Stevens Point
University of Wisconsin –
Whitewater
William Paterson University
of New Jersey

Eastern Illinois University

Ferris State University
Grand Valley State University
Indiana University – Purdue
University Fort Wayne
Northwest Missouri State University
University of Northern Iowa
Western Kentucky University

Northeastern Illinois University

Auburn University at Montgomery
California State University,
Dominguez Hills
California State University,
Stanislaus
CUNY Lehman College
Indiana University – Northwest
New Jersey City University
Purdue University Calumet
Texas A & M University –
Corpus Christi

Chicago State University

Auburn University at Montgomery
Bowie State University
California State University,
Dominguez Hills
Coppin State University
CUNY Lehman College
Fayetteville State University
Framingham State University
Georgia College and State
University
Jacksonville State University
New Jersey City University
Texas A & M International
University
University of Houston – Clear Lake
University of North Alabama

Governors State University

Austin Peay State University
Bridgewater State University
California State University
San Marcos
CUNY Brooklyn College
Metropolitan State University
of Denver
Montclair State University
University of Baltimore
University of Houston – Clear Lake
University of Maryland, Baltimore
University of Michigan – Dearborn
University of Missouri – St Louis
University of North Florida