



# Minnesota: Education to Workforce Data

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# MN SLEDs Overview

- The Minnesota Statewide Longitudinal Education Data System (SLEDs) matches student data from K12 through completion of postsecondary and into the workforce.
- Uses a matching algorithm based on PII to link records across 7 state agencies.
- Jointly managed by the Minnesota Office of Higher Education (OHE), Minnesota Department of Education (MDE), and Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED).
- Governed by the Minnesota P-20 Education Partnership.
- Core data sets: K12 enrollment, postsecondary enrollment and completion (OHE + National Student Clearinghouse), employment (unemployment insurance database)
  - Postsecondary completions from all public and private colleges in Minnesota from FY2007-on.
  - Employment data on all UI-covered Minnesota employment from FY2003-on. Includes wages, hours worked, and industry – but not occupation.

# Accessing SLEDs Data



- **Public** site available to everyone <https://sleds.mn.gov/#>. Data is organized by cohorts: high school and college.
- **Schools and Colleges** can request access to data on their students, including de-identified individual-level data through a secure portal.
- Access to individual level data for a specific **research** project available through an application process.
  - Examples: <https://sleds.mn.gov/#data>

# MN Education to Workforce Data Examples

- Public dashboards:
  - MN SLEDs public reports: <https://sleds.mn.gov/#employment/>
  - Graduate Employment Outcomes tool published by the MN DEED: <https://apps.deed.state.mn.us/lmi/etd/Results.aspx>
  - OHE websites: Minnesota Measures <https://mnmeasures.highered.mn.gov/> and My Higher Ed college search tool <https://www.myhighered.mn.gov/colleges>
- Federal reporting: SLEDs education-to-workforce data is used by DEED for federal WIOA reporting, and by MDE for federal Perkins reporting.
- Colleges and universities using MN SLEDs data for in-depth analysis of employment outcomes of their graduates.
- School districts using MN SLEDs data to analyze the employment impact of college and career academies.