

## ILLINOIS

### Illinois Board of Higher Education

- Coordinating board
- Data collected from 2-year public, 4-year public, and independent (private, non-profit) institutions in the state
- New legislation allows the Board to create its own student unit record (SUR) system to replace the existing system
- The Illinois State Board of Education has received 2 NCES Statewide Longitudinal Data Systems grants (FY09, FY09 [ARRA]), totaling over \$20.8 million. The agency included its postsecondary and labor partners in the FY2009 Request for Application made possible through the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act.
- 1 of 3 state level postsecondary SUR systems
- Other postsecondary SURs in state (click on active link(s) to view profile):  
Illinois Community College System (not included in study) Illinois Student Assistance Commission (not included in study)

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

SUR NAME **Illinois Shared Enrollment and Graduation File (ISEG)**

Year SUR Established **1991**

Last period of upgrade/modification **Since 2000**  
Start up funds received **yes**  
Recurring funds received **no**

#### Reasons SUR was Established

- tracking student retention/graduation
- tracking students across institutions

#### Legal Authority to Collect Data

- state law creating coordinating or governing board (data collection is voluntary)

### INSTITUTIONAL COVERAGE, TYPES OF DATA, AND METADATA

#### Institutional Coverage

- 2-year public
- 4-year public
- independent (private, non-profit) [*plans to collect from additional independent institutions*]

#### IPEDS Roles

##### Verification

- coordinator

##### Reporting

- coordinator

#### Participation in IPEDS Surveys

- Completions (C)

#### Types of Data Collected

- K-12 academic history (*high school, admissions test scores*)
- postsecondary academic history (*placement test scores, transfer*)
- demographic
- postsecondary enrollment
- completions

#### Authority to Change Data Elements/Definitions

- agency/entity staff
- group that includes appropriate institutional/campus personnel
- other agency/entity (*Illinois Community College Board*)

#### Internal Primary Key(s) to Build Longitudinal Records

- Social Security Number (*no plans to discontinue use as internal primary key*)

#### Metadata

##### business procedures

- data element dictionary
- data submission/reporting procedure

##### technical procedures

- data validation/data checking procedure
- data audit procedure

### USES OF SUR DATA

#### Current Uses and Purposes

- research
- cross-sector collaboration (K-12, labor, etc.)

#### Types of Reports

Generating reports and statistics is not a current use or purpose of this SUR system

#### Audiences Receiving Some or All Reports

not applicable

### LINKING ARRANGEMENTS WITH AGENCIES, STATES, AND ORGANIZATIONS

State P-20 Data Warehouse no

#### Links to State Agencies/Entities

- state financial aid agency/entity (*under development*)
- state education agency (K-12) (*under development*)
- labor/workforce (*under development*)
- Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Links to Other States no

Links to External Organizations no

#### Legal Mechanisms Enabling Linking

- memorandum of agreement/understanding

Barriers to Linking not applicable

**MECHANISMS TO ENSURE DATA QUALITY**

**Responsibility for Entering Data**

-other group (*Southern Illinois University Carbondale*)

**Responsibility for Checking/Verifying Data**

-other group (*Southern Illinois University Carbondale*)

**Method of Informing IR Personnel of Data Submission**

Inconsistencies not applicable

**On-site Institutional Data Audits** no

**Professional Development for IR Professionals** no

**DATA ELEMENTS COLLECTED**

The Illinois Board of Higher Education was unable to participate in the detailed data element phase of data collection; therefore the number of data elements in its SUR system is artificially low.

**Postsecondary Elements (36)**

*demographic*

- student name
- date of birth
- gender
- race/ethnicity
- Social Security Number
- K-12 identification number
- Institutional identification number
- student identification number
- citizenship
- state residency status

*postsecondary academic history*

- admissions scores
- placement scores
- prior college(s) attended
- transfer credits

*enrollment status*

- degree seeking status
- attendance status (full-/part-time)
- 1<sup>st</sup> term of academic history
- program/major

*financial aid*

- dependency status
- family income
- federal financial aid
- state financial aid
- institutional financial aid
- other financial aid
- merit-based financial aid
- need-based financial aid
- FAFSA fields

*academic activity*

- course title
- course mode of instruction
- course grade
- term student credit hours (SCH) attempted
- term SCH earned

*academic attainment*

- degree awarded
- degree date
- cumulative SCH earned
- cumulative GPA

**K-12 Elements (13)**

*demographic*

- student free and reduced-price lunch eligibility
- language spoken at home
- disability status

*high school background*

- high school attended
- district/school code
- student resident county-district code

*academic activity*

- date student enrolled
- course type
- course title
- course grade

*academic attainment*

- high school GPA
- high school graduation date
- assessment scores

**Labor/Workforce Elements (15)**

- employer ID number
- employer size (# of employees monthly)
- employer county
- wages earned
- wage type code
- hours worked
- employment quarter code
- employment year
- date student/employee applied for Unemployment Insurance (UI)
- date student first received UI check
- other agencies providing services to student while student is receiving UI
- U.S. Census North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code
- U.S. Census NAICS title
- U.S. Department of Labor Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) code
- U.S. Department of Labor SOC title