

SOUTH DAKOTA

South Dakota Board of Regents

- Governing board
- Data collected from 4-year public institutions in the system
- 1 of 2 state level postsecondary student unit record (SUR) systems
- Other postsecondary SURs in state (click on active link(s) to view profile):
South Dakota Department of Education/Office of Career & Technical Education (not included in study)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

SUR NAME **Regent Information System (RIS)**

Year SUR Established **1987**

Last period of upgrade/modification **Since 2000**

Start up funds received **no**

Recurring funds received **no**

Reasons SUR was Established

- institutional resource allocation/funding formula
- tracking students across institutions

Legal Authority to Collect Data

- state law creating coordinating or governing board
- administrative regulations/rules issued to interpret state law(s)

INSTITUTIONAL COVERAGE, TYPES OF DATA, AND METADATA

Institutional Coverage

- 4-year public

IPEDS Roles

Verification

- coordinator
- keyholder

Reporting

- coordinator
- keyholder

Participation in IPEDS Surveys not applicable

Types of Data Collected

- K-12 academic history (*high school, admissions test scores*)
- postsecondary academic history (*placement test scores, transfer*)
- demographic
- postsecondary enrollment
- course-level information
- finance (*tuition, fees, fiscal management*)
- non-credit instructional activity (*pre-college courses [remedial, developmental]*)
- academic program inventory
- faculty/staff
- facilities/capital projects
- Adult Basic Education (*GED, Adult Basic Education, English as a Second Language*)

Authority to Change Data Elements/Definitions

- agency/entity staff

Internal Primary Key(s) to Build Longitudinal Records

- internally generated student identifier

Metadata

business procedures

- data element dictionary
- data submission/reporting procedure
- data certification forms

technical procedures

- data validation/data checking procedure
- data audit procedure
- statistical mechanisms used to alert institutional user of successful or unsuccessful data validation
- statistical mechanisms used to alert institutional user of successful or unsuccessful data audit

USES OF SUR DATA

Current Uses and Purposes

- decision-/policymaking
- generating reports and statistics (internal and external)
- cross-sector collaboration (K-12, labor, etc.)

Types of Reports

- course taking patterns
- distance education
- dual credit/dual enrollment
- enrollment
- facilities utilization
- high school feedback ([sample](#))
- non-credit instructional activity
- performance measures
- remediation
- retention
- student learning
- transfer
- tuition/fees/college costs

Audiences Receiving Some or All Reports

governor's office, legislature, coordinating or governing board, K-12 (agency, districts, and/or schools), general public

LINKING ARRANGEMENTS WITH AGENCIES, STATES, AND ORGANIZATIONS

State P-20 Data Warehouse no

Links to State Agencies/Entities

-state education agency (K-12)

Access to K-12 agency elements yes

Links to Other States yes (Minnesota)

Links to External Organizations

-National Student Clearinghouse

-Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education

Primary IDs Used in Matching

-Other ID (*student name and their high school name*)

Demographic Elements Used in Matching

-name

-other data element (*high school name*)

Legal Mechanisms Enabling Linking

-administrative rule/regulation

Barriers to Linking

-resources

-lack of common identifiers/crosswalks

-coordination with other state authorities/administrators

-incompatible systems

-data quality concerns

-FERPA concerns

-lack of interest from other agencies

MECHANISMS TO ENSURE DATA QUALITY

Responsibility for Entering Data

-appropriate institutional/campus personnel

Responsibility for Checking/Verifying Data

-appropriate institutional/campus personnel

Method of Informing IR Personnel of Data Submission Inconsistencies

-manual notification (e.g., email, phone call from agency/entity)

-automated notification (e.g., web-based, program-based method)

On-site Institutional Data Audits not applicable

Professional Development for IR Professionals not applicable

DATA ELEMENTS COLLECTED

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)
- ✓ - 1st 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