



Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is MyFloridaFuture?

Section 1006.751, Florida Statutes, directs the Board of Governors of the State University System of Florida to publish an online dashboard designed to assist students and families in making better-informed decisions about educational options and future employment opportunities. As directed, MyFloridaFuture was developed as a free, online college and career planning tool that provides students, parents, and policymakers with State University System of Florida graduate outcome information. The interactive tool allows users to explore data at the System-level and by individual institution, including information on salary, graduate employment, student debt, and additional educational opportunities.

2. Does MyFloridaFuture only include graduates working in Florida?

No, the data captures more than 95% of employees working in Florida, but it also includes graduates working in all 50 states, as well as the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

3. Does MyFloridaFuture make any earnings adjustments for taxes or cost of living?

No, the tool presents gross (before tax) earnings and does not adjust for cost of living. Because the location of graduates by institution and major is not known, caution is advised when comparing the earnings data between institutions within the State University System of Florida or others across the country.

4. Does MyFloridaFuture include data for high school graduates?

No, the tool only includes graduates from the State University System of Florida. The median full-time wage for high school graduates who did not pursue additional education was \$22,836 in 2018-19. More information on employment outcomes for Florida public high school graduates can be found here.

5. How recent is the data in MyFloridaFuture?

The data in the dashboard is the most recent labor market and continuing education data available. All of the wage data is based on the second quarter of 2019 and 2020. The year one outcome group includes graduates from the classes of 2018 and 2019. Year five includes graduates from 2013 and 2014, and year ten includes graduates from the classes of 2008 and 2009. Using two cohorts for each outcome group allows the capture of more data and the inclusion of more wage and student loan information.



6. Why can't I find my major?

The information is based on graduates over the past ten years, so any new programs will not yet appear. It takes at least five full years before a new major will have graduates with enough labor market data to be displayed. In addition, programs with small numbers of graduates are masked to protect student privacy. Finally, uniform major titles are used based on national standards, and your institution may use a slightly different title for your major. Click here for more information on standard major codes and titles.

If you can't find your major at your institution, try searching for your major at "All institutions."

7. Where does the employment and wage data come from?

Data for graduates working in Florida are reported through the Florida Reemployment Assistance Program, which is administered by the Florida Department of Revenue. Data for graduates found working in other states comes from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) through a federal system known as the State Wage Interchange System (SWIS).

8. Who is NOT included in the current employment and wage data?

The Florida reemployment assistance database and the SWIS database do not contain information for all individuals who actually worked. Examples of individuals not included in the data include those who

- 1) were employed outside the United States
- 2) provided services as a sole proprietor
- 3) were employed in temporary positions not eligible for unemployment insurance
- 4) were employed by the military or federal government
- 5) provided services for a school, college, or university and were also a student enrolled and attending classes
- 6) performed services as a student nurse in the employ of a hospital or a nurse training school, or as an intern in the employ of a hospital
- 7) did not have a valid Social Security number

Other jobs that are exempt or not covered by unemployment insurance also are not included in the data. These include certain family workers, insurance and real estate agents paid solely by commission, and certain employees of religious organizations.

9. Does the data include a graduate's occupation and whether they are working in their field of study?

No, the Florida reemployment assistance database and the SWIS database do not include occupational information.

10. How often will the dashboard data be updated?

The Board of Governors plans to update the underlying data every two years.