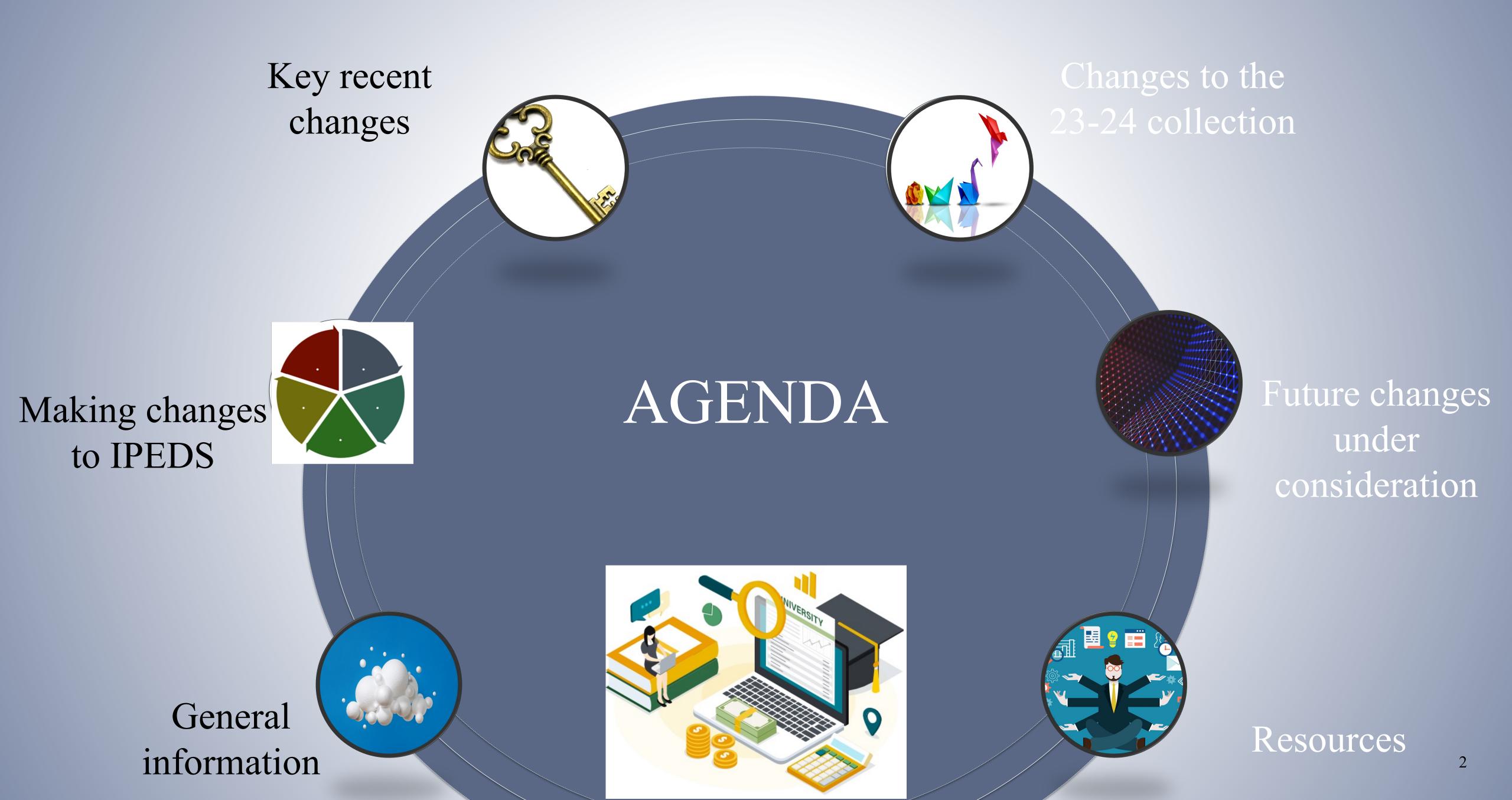
# Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) Updates and Thinking Ahead

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#### General information

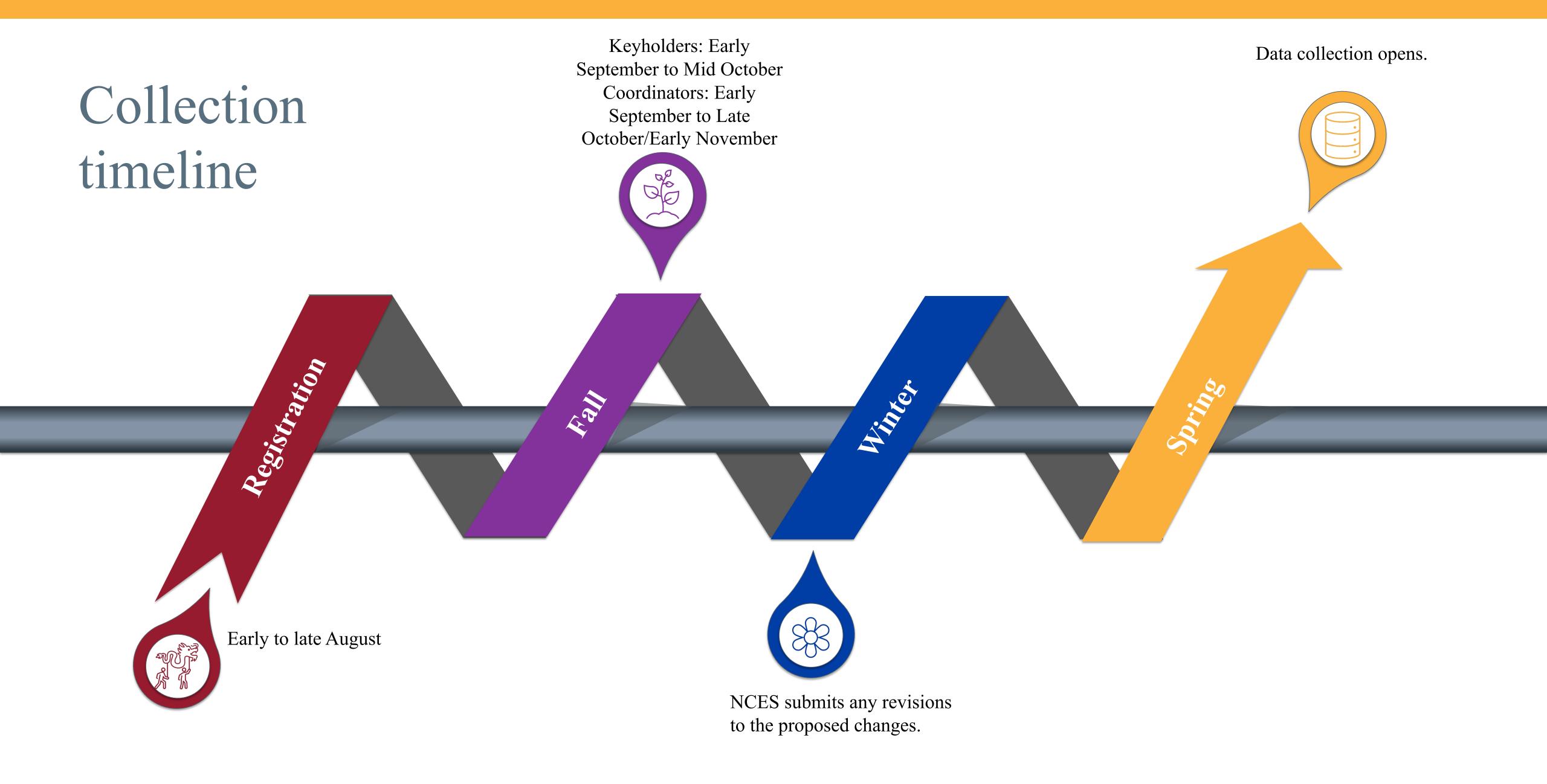


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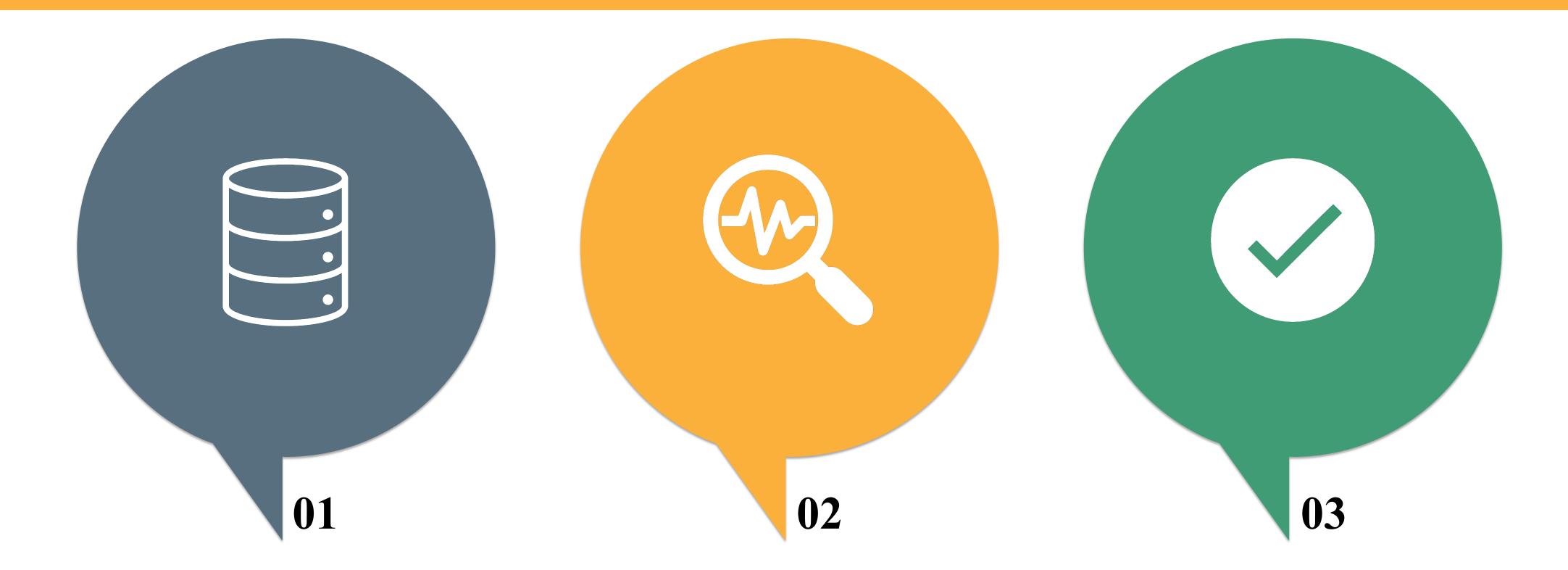
- The Code of Federal Regulations permits a fine of up to \$67,544 for each violation of any provision of Title IV, or any regulation or agreement implementing that Title\*. Data reported to IPEDS must be:
  - timely,
  - accurate, and
  - complete

\*20 U.S.C. 1094(c)(3)(B) (Section 487(c)(3)(B) of the HEA)









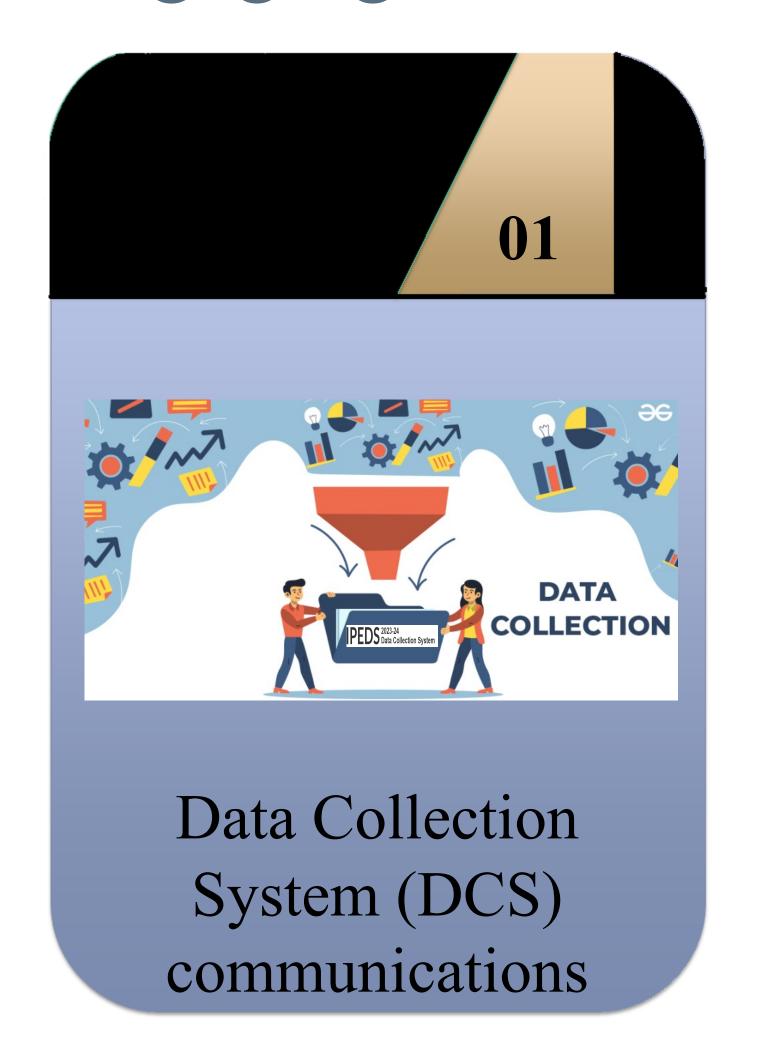
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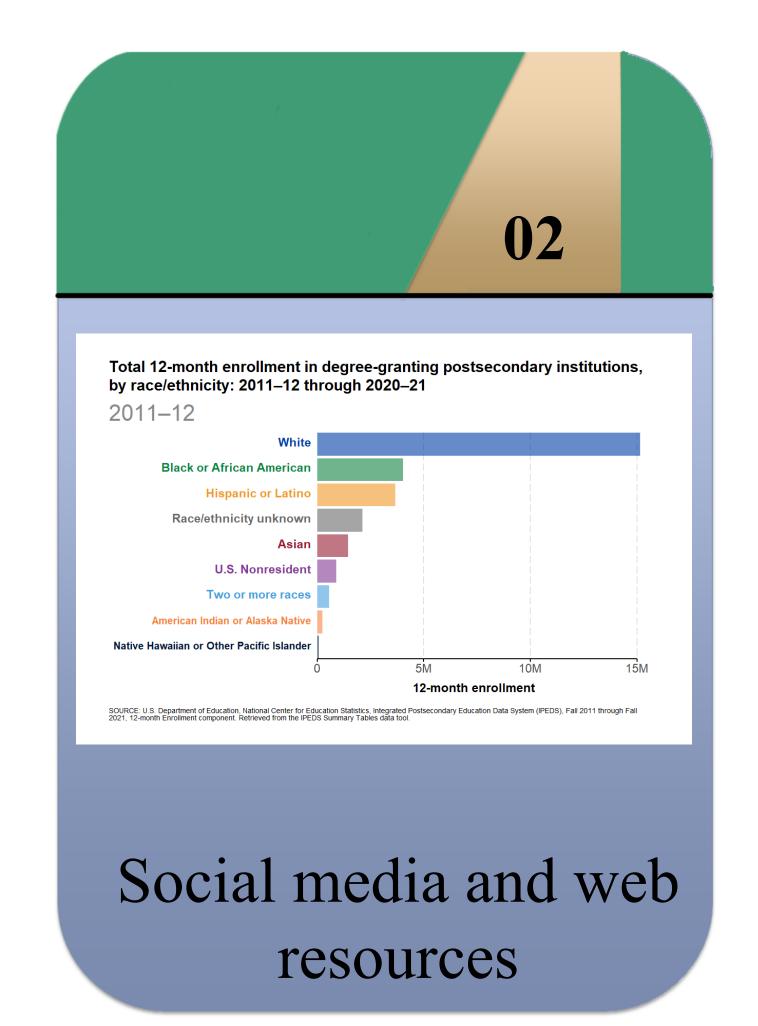
Revise if needed using Prior Year Revision (PYR) system <a href="https://surveys.nces.ed.gov/ipeds\_py/">https://surveys.nces.ed.gov/ipeds\_py/</a>

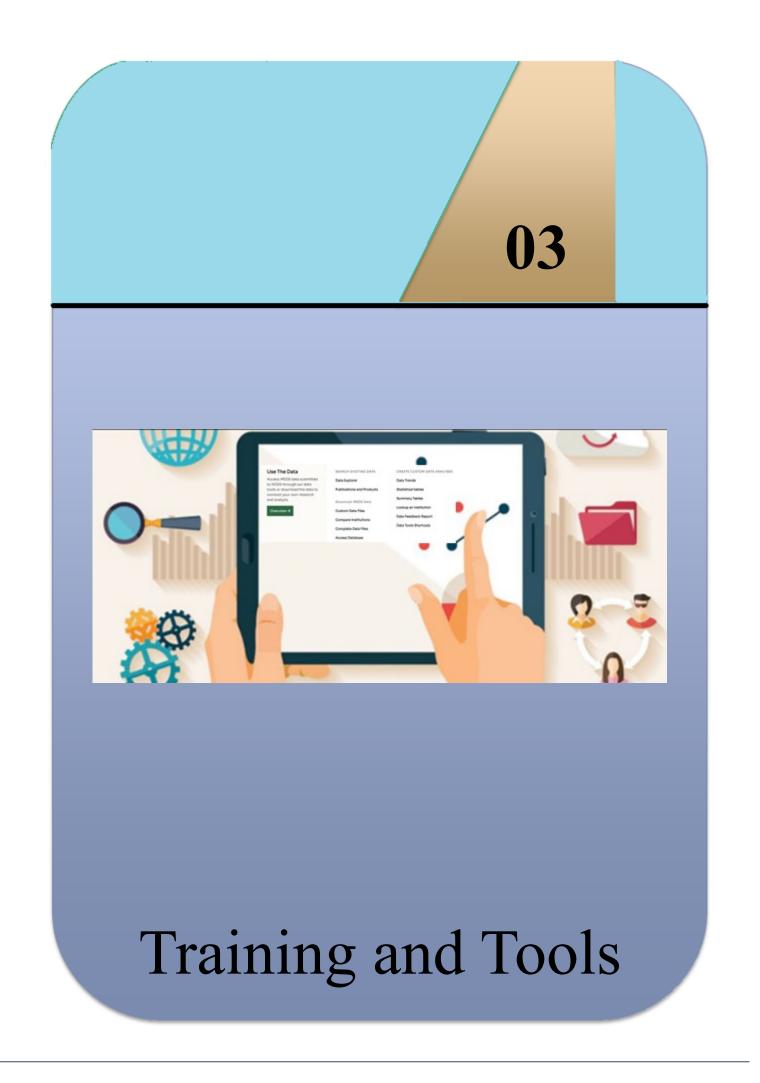
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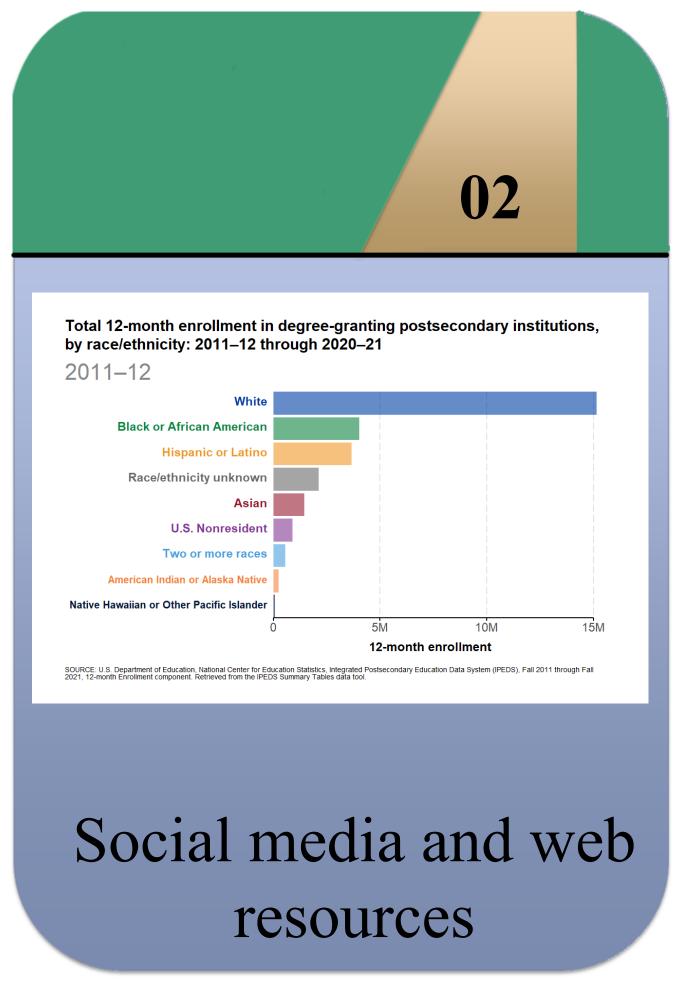
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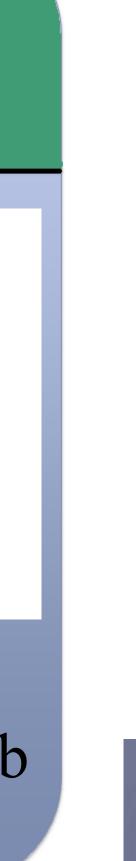


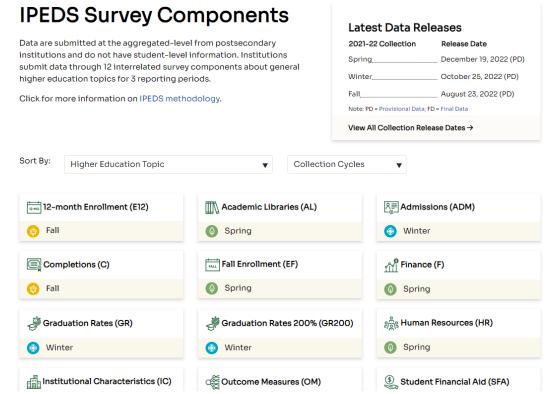












https://nces.ed.gov/ ipeds/survey-components



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#### This Week in IPEDS (TWII)

https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/this-week-in-ipeds

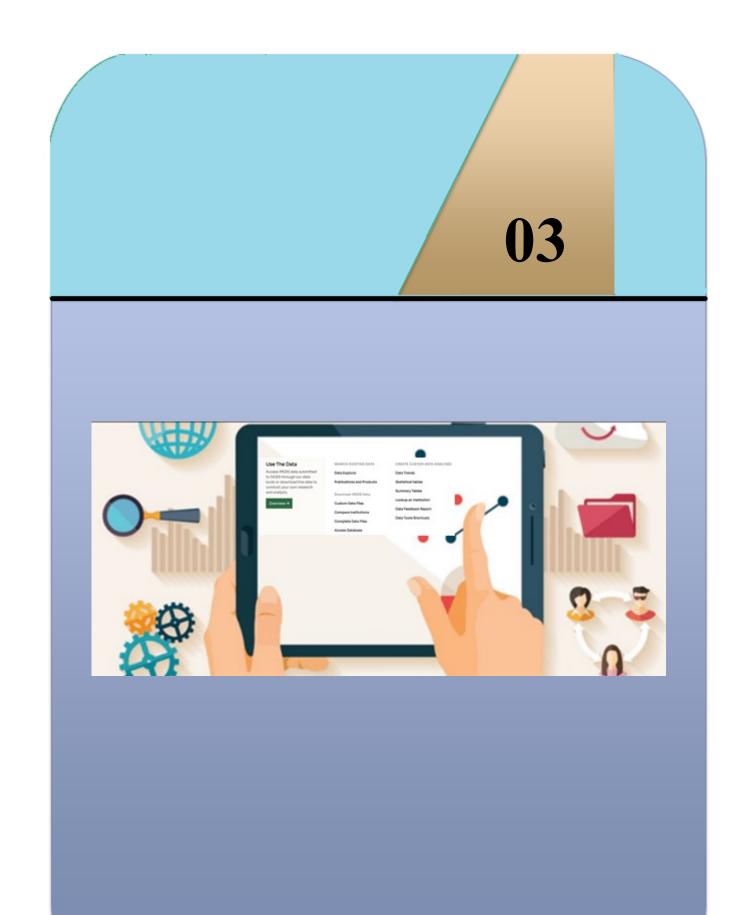


https://www.airweb.org/collaboratelearn/ipeds/ipeds-community



https://nces.ed.gov/blogs/nces/





Training and Tools



Funded by the National Center for Education Statistics (**NCES**), AIR produces
Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) **training** opportunities,
including video tutorials, virtual and in-person IPEDS Workshops, and online Keyholder
courses.

#### **Upcoming Events**

AUG 16
IPEDS WORKSHOP

IPEDS New Keyholder (Virtual Workshop)

AUG 23
IPEDS WORKSHOP

IPEDS Student Financial Aid (Virtual Workshop)

AUG 30
IPEDS WORKSHOP

IPEDS Human Resources (Virtual Workshop)







#### Learn

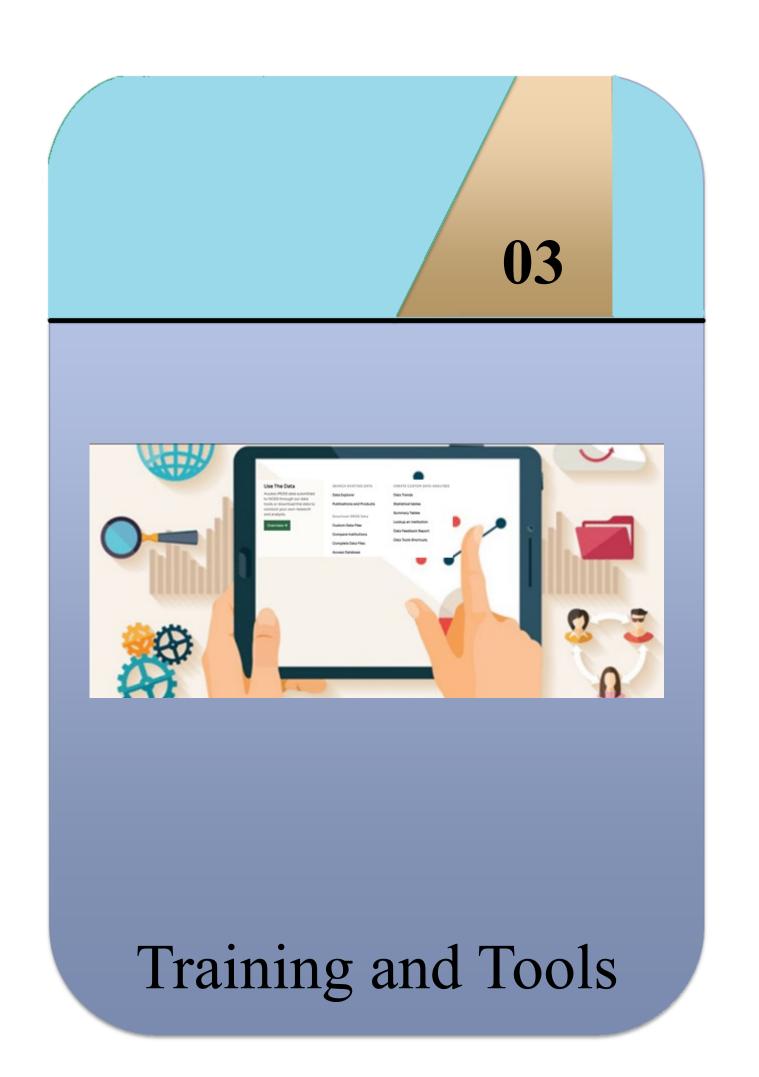
- Tutorials
- Workshops
- Keyholder Courses
- Institute

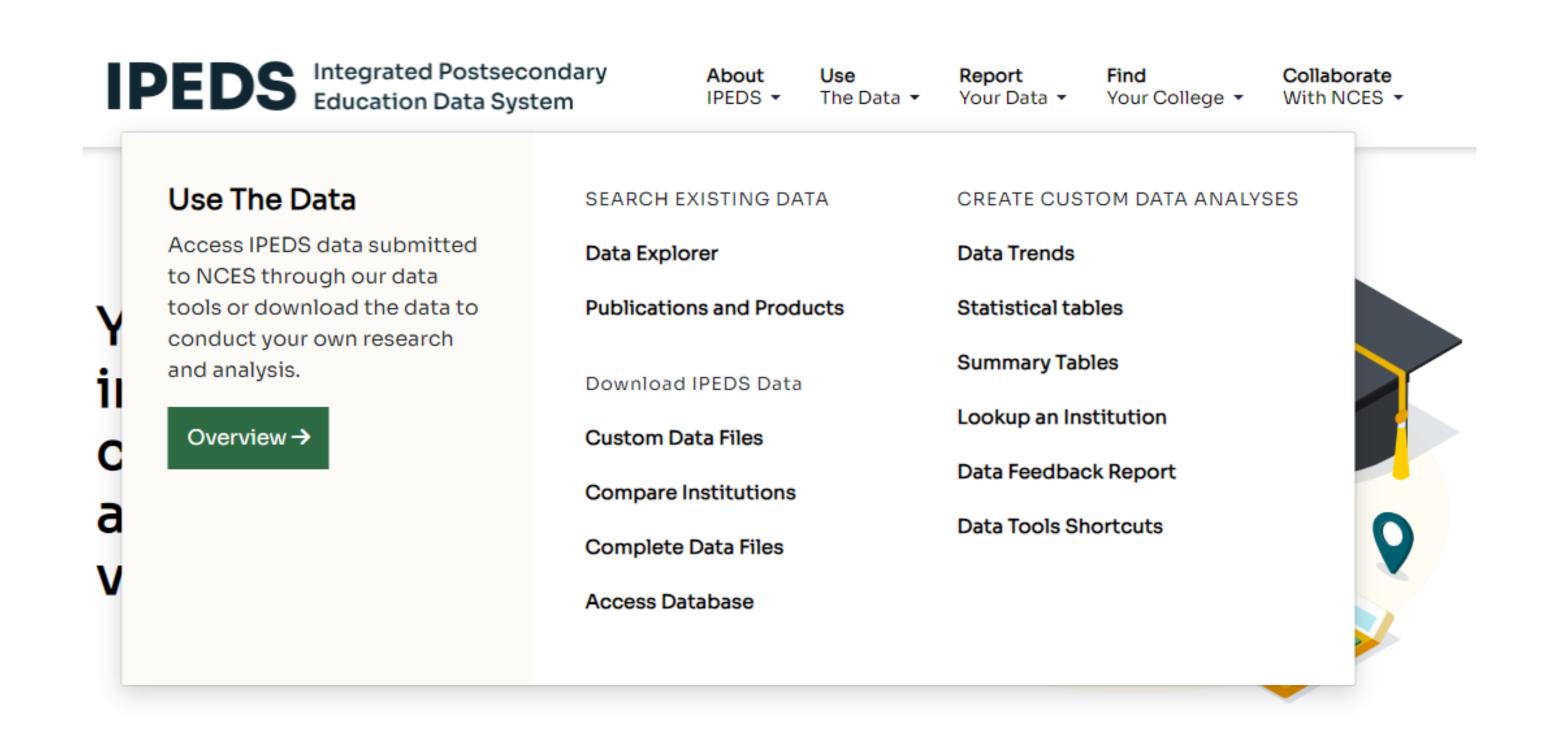
#### **Connect and Share**

- (1) IPEDS Knowledge Exchange
- Stay Up to Date
- Additional Resources

https://www.airweb.org/collaboratelearn/ipeds-training-center

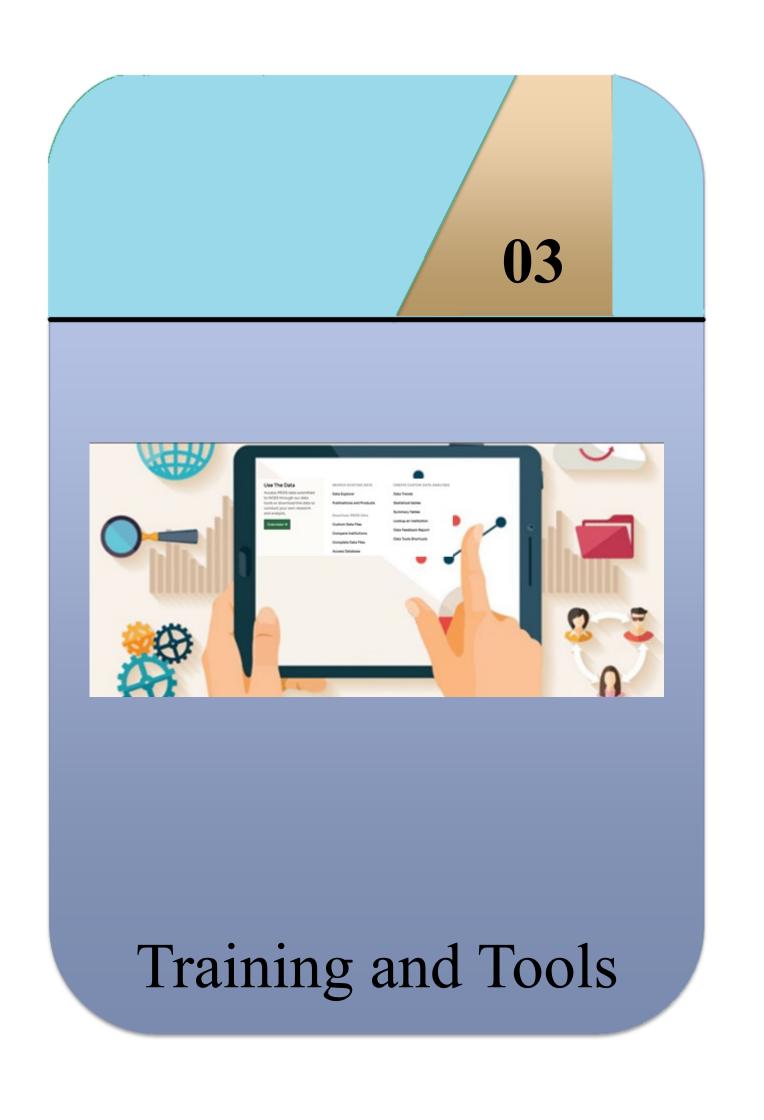






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Data Feedback Report

Summary Tables

Data Trends

Data Explorer





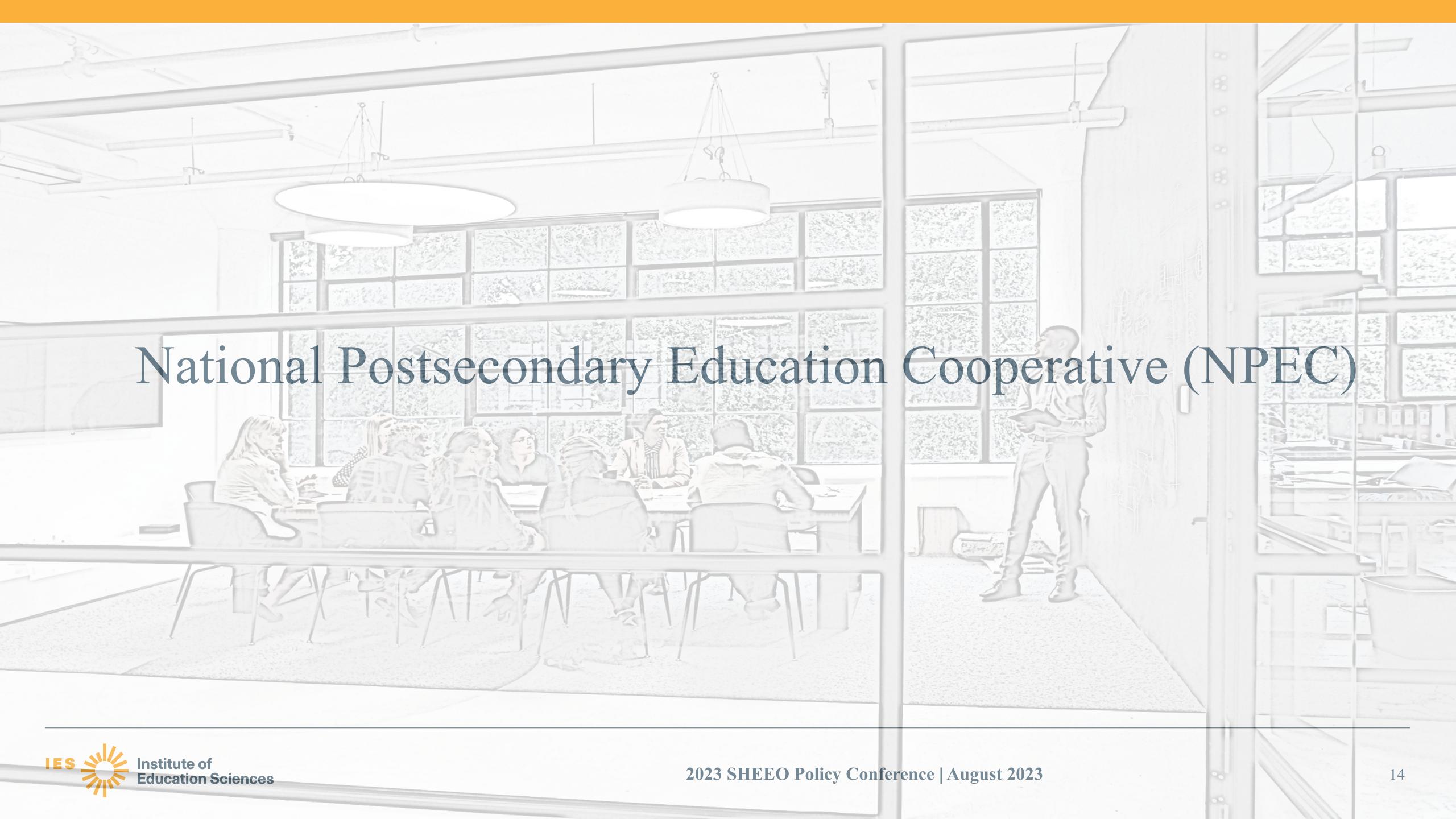
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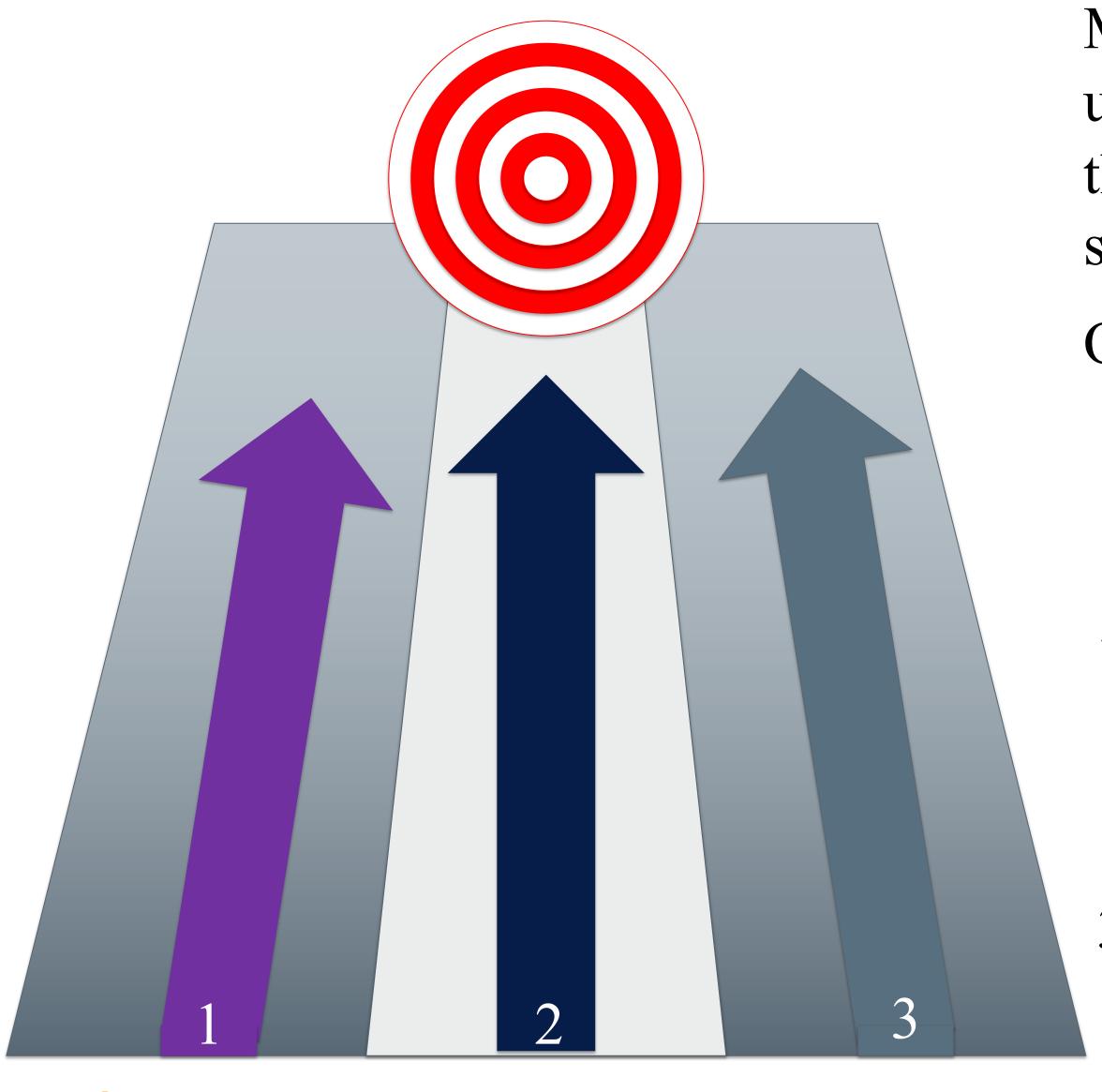


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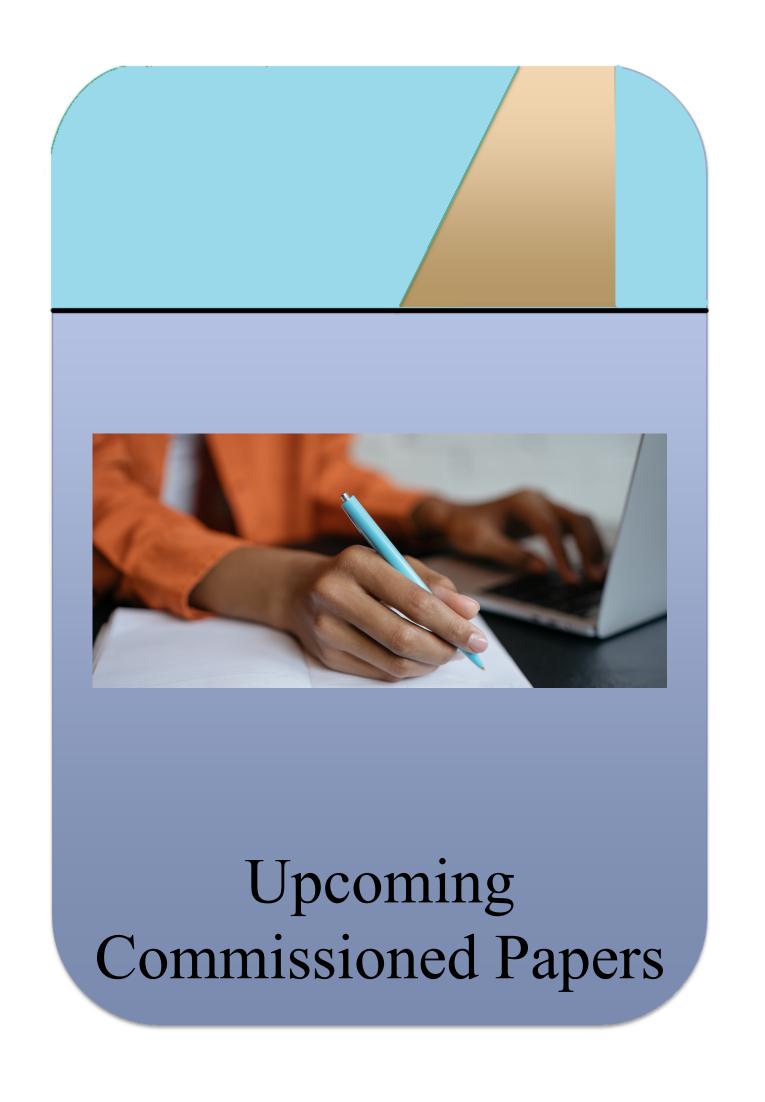


Mission: Promote the quality, comparability, and utility of postsecondary data and information that support policy development at the federal, state, and institution levels.

#### Objectives:

- 1. Develop a research and development agenda for IPEDS
- 2. Identify topics that will help improve the quality, comparability, and utility of IPEDS data for the postsecondary education community, consumers, and policymakers
- 3. Provide expertise to NCES on related IPEDS R&D





Improving the IPEDS Student Average Net Price to be More Relevant for Consumers

Understanding and Improving the Usage of the Outcome Measures Survey Component

Improving the College Navigator

Creating a Student Success Survey

Evaluating the Certificate Levels in IPEDS





RTI International (RTI) invites groups of technical experts to Technical Review Panels to discuss and make suggestions related to the following:

Legislation and regulations affecting IPEDS

Maintaining and enhancing federal data for data users

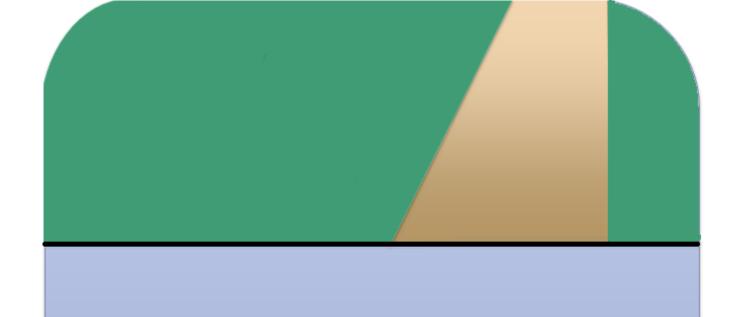
Emerging areas of concern

Minimizing the time burden of reporting data

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To be considered a technical expert for future TRP meetings, contact Amy Barmer at abarmer@rti.org.







TRP website (https://ipedstrp.rti.org/)

- TRP meeting summaries
- Calls for comments
- Dates for upcoming meetings
- Overview of TRP meetings and RTI contact info
- NEW:
  - Sign up for email notifications for news and updates
  - Advanced full-text search for all content on site
  - Mobile-friendly redesign



#### Recent and upcoming Technical Review Panel meetings





# Key recent changes



#### Reporting incarcerated students

Congress enacted major changes to the Title IV programs in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, including provisions relating to incarcerated students:

- Reinstating Pell eligibility for students incarcerated at federal or state penal institutions
- Tying Pell eligibility for incarcerated students to enrollment in eligible prison education programs
- Requiring the Department to publish an annual report evaluating prison education programs and their student outcomes

https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/133/text



#### Reporting incarcerated students

Enrollment

Should incarcerated students be included in enrollment reporting?

Human Resources

Should staff providing instruction or services for incarcerated students be reported in HR?

Admissions

Should incarcerated students be included in ADM reporting?

Completions

Should recognized postsecondary credentials awarded to incarcerated students be reported in the Completions survey component?

Outcome
Measures &
Graduation
Rates

Should incarcerated students be in included in OM/GR cohorts?

Institutional Characteristics

Should incarcerated students be included in IC reporting?

Student Financial Aid

Should incarcerated students be reported to IPEDS in SFA?



#### Gender Reporting in Student Surveys

Prior to the 2022-23 collection, IPEDS only collected gender as 'Men' and 'Women'

In 2022-23, IPEDS added 'Another Gender' and 'Gender Unknown' at the total level (not by race/ethnicity)



#### Changes to race/ethnicity instructions

Undocumented and DACA students who completed high school or a GED equivalency within the United States and who were not on an F-1 non-immigrant student visa at the time of high school graduation are considered eligible non-citizens and their race/ethnicity should be reported using the seven race/ethnicity categories provided.

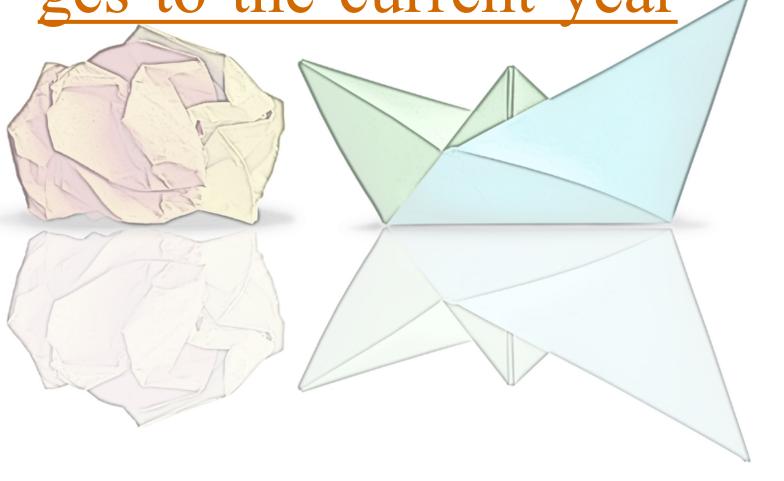
Note: If the institution cannot verify F-1 visa status for undocumented and DACA students at the time of high school graduation, the institution can assume that the status at the time of application was the same as the status at the time of high school graduation.



## Changes to 2023–24 Collection

Current year changes can be viewed at:

https://surveys.nces.ed.gov/ipeds/public/chan
ges-to-the-current-year





#### Dual enrolled students (High school students enrolled for credit)

- Dual enrolled students (i.e., high school students who are enrolled for credit) have always been included in enrollment reporting as non-degree/non-certificate-seeking undergraduate students.
- Starting in 2023-24, NCES will collect a separate unduplicated count of high school students enrolled in college courses for credit by race/ethnicity and gender in E12 survey.



# Future Changes





https://spd15revision.gov/content/spd15revision/en.html

# Race/Ethnicity

collecting race and ethnicity together with a single question

adding a response category for Middle Eastern and North African that is separate and distinct from the "White" category

Goal: to ensure that the standards better reflect the diversity of the American people. The initial proposals include the following: updating SPD 15's terminology, definitions, and question wording



Please note that the changes on the upcoming slides are not final and no final decisions have been made. They are meant to provide an idea of where IPEDS is heading with the data collection in the coming years.



#### Institutional Characteristics



- NCES is reimagining the IC survey
  - Combining the directory information on IC and IC Header into the 'New IC'
  - Removing cost elements from IC

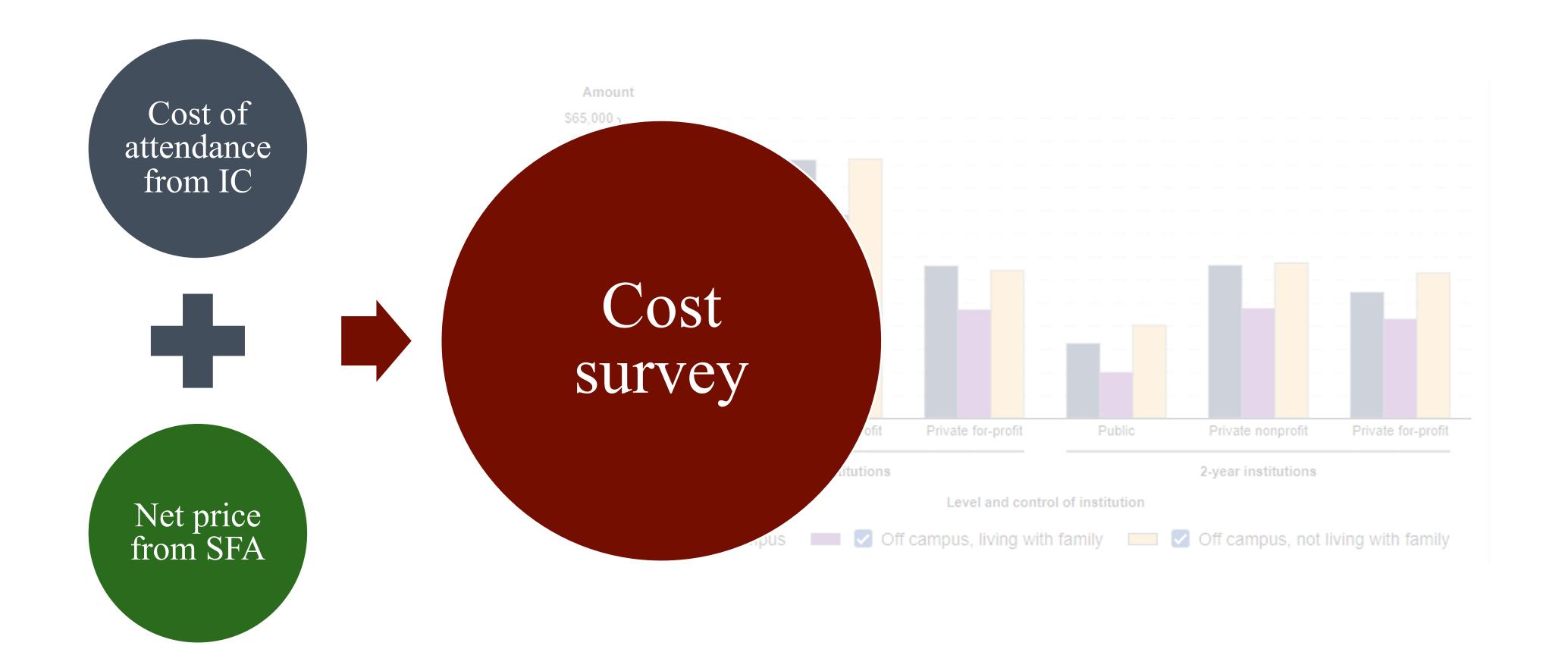


#### Student Financial Aid

- Add more student types to the collection to provide a clearer picture of aid distribution at institutions
- Streamline the collection to ask the same information for all student types
- Move net price data and calculations



#### Cost survey









#### Student Outcomes

- Collect additional retention rates data to better account for all students and ensure all institutions are appropriately represented
- Examine ways to combine GR, GR200, and OM to have a more streamlined collection that provides more useful information on outcomes



## Finance working group (draft)

#### Mission

Promote the quality, comparability, and use of the data collected in the IPEDS Finance survey component.

#### Purpose

Bring together experts representing the variety of sectors within the higher education community to develop guidance and recommendations on ways to improve the Finance survey component that consider ever-changing accounting standards, competing interests among data users, and burden on data reporters.

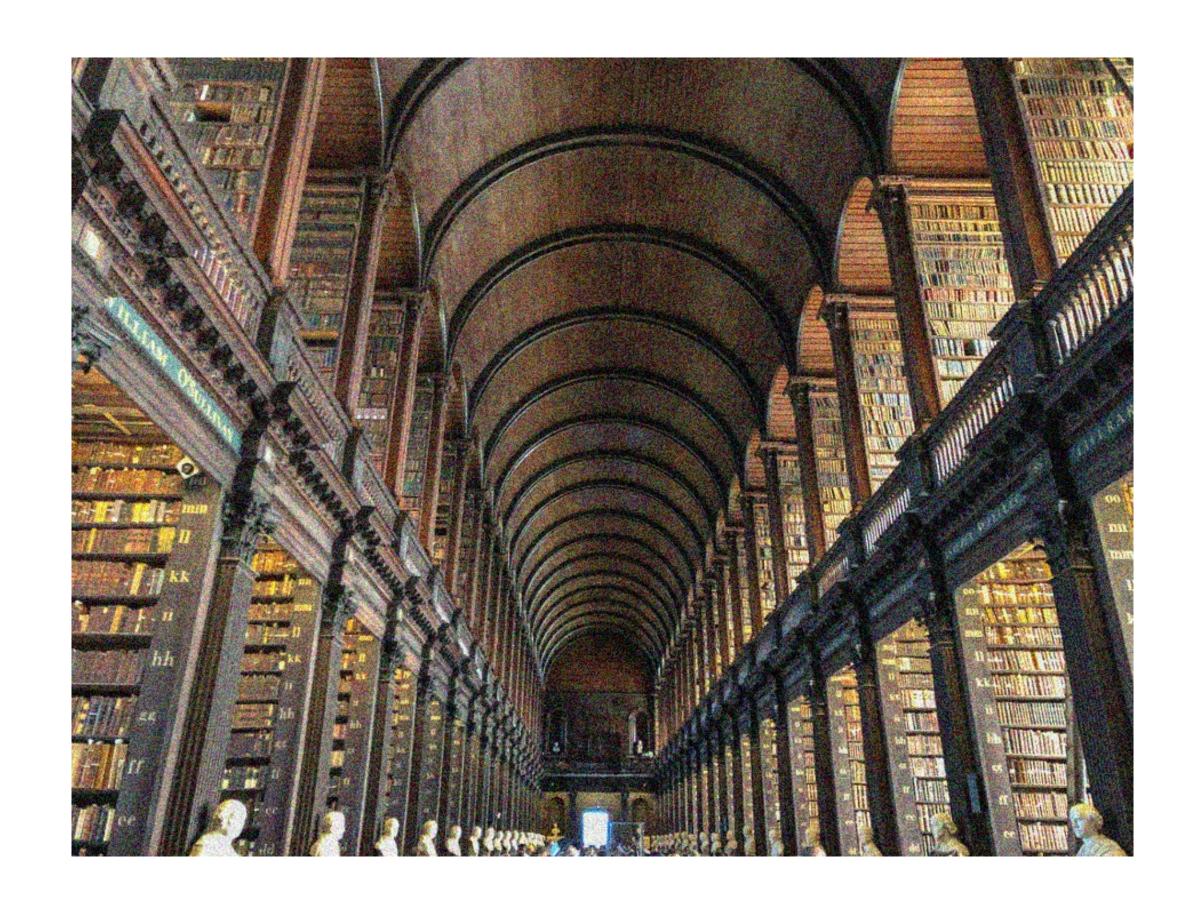
#### Goals

- → Prioritize balancing the burden between data reporting and data usage.
- → Proactively examine upcoming changes to GASB and FASB accounting standards and create guidance ahead of time for institutions to understand the updates and changes.
- → Examine GASB and FASB standards, behave proactively about upcoming changes, and consider how to increase comparability of IPEDS Finance data.
- → Encourage or educate data users about correct and appropriate data use, for example, differences in accounting standards and categories in which institutions may define certain expenses.
- → Create guidance around data use or identify ways to modify available data tools to foster consistent and accurate use of IPEDS Finance data.
- → Share perspectives on potential changes to the IPEDS Finance survey component and provide NCES with recommendations for potential improvements.

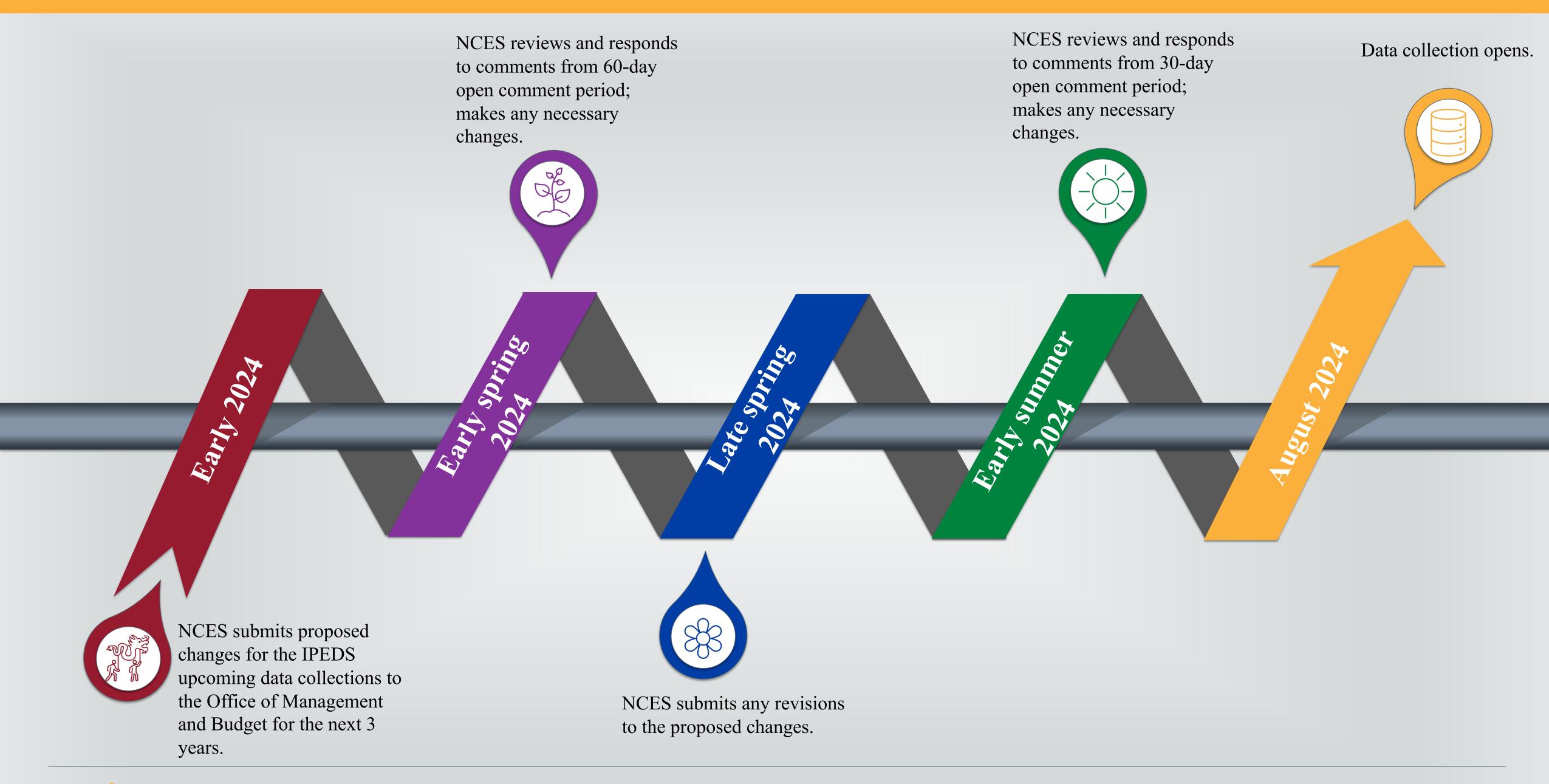


#### Academic Libraries

- Academic Libraries survey component will be retired from IPEDS starting with the 2025-26 data collection
- Some elements will be retained in Institutional Characteristics
- The Institution for Museum and Library Services (IMLS) may collect data on academic libraries in the future











## Resources



About

Use The D Report

Find Your College Collaborate
With NCES -

#### IPEDS Website

Your primary source for information on U.S. colleges, universities, and technical and vocational institutions.



IPEDS is a system of 12 interrelated survey components conducted annually that gathers data from every college, university, and technical and vocational institution that participates in the federal student financial aid programs. The data collections occur in fall, winter, and spring.

#### RECENT UPDATES

#### **Latest Data Release**

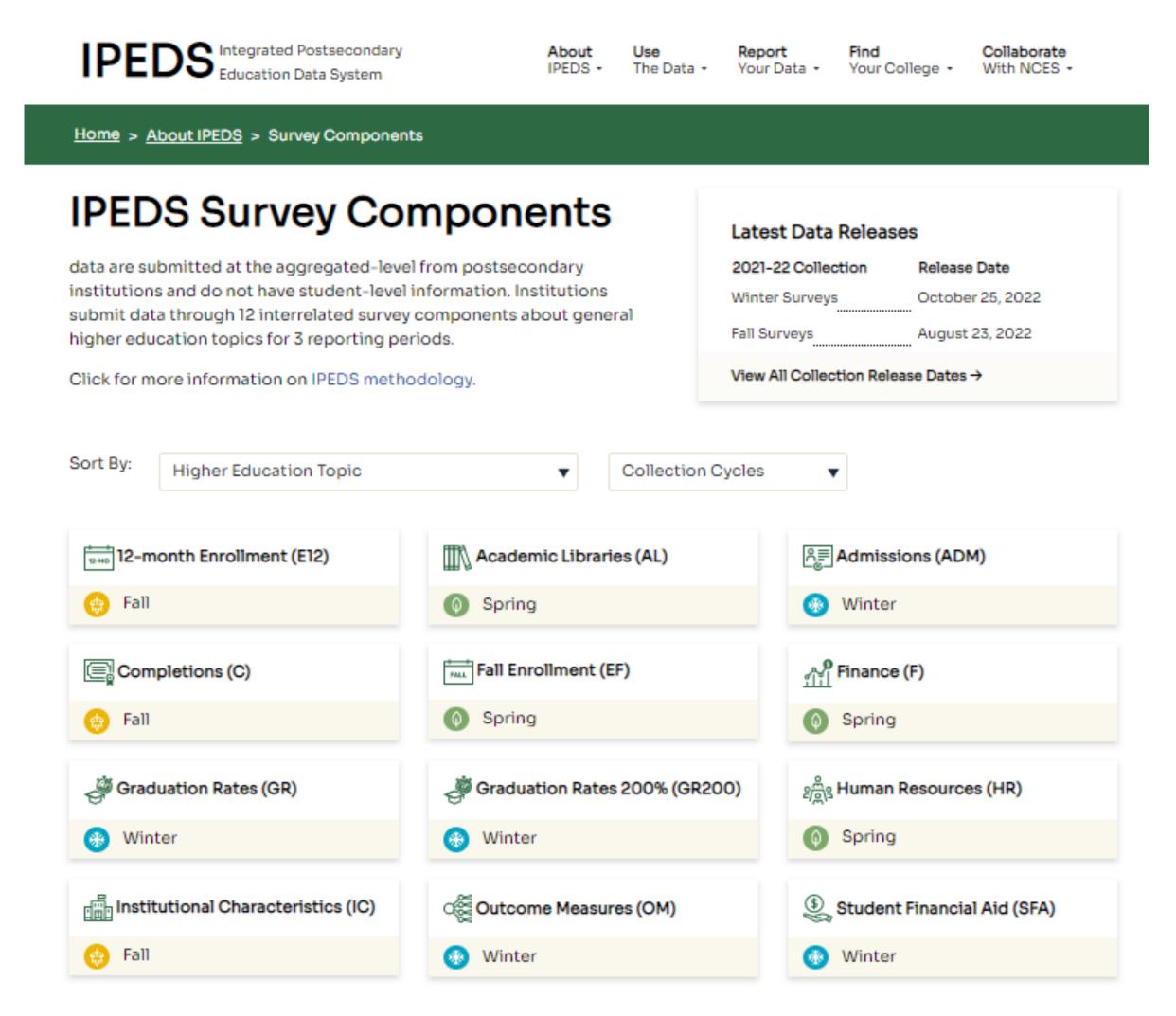
The latest release on October 25, 2022 included provisional data from the following surveys: Admissions (ADM), Graduation Rates (GR), Graduation Rates 200% (GR200), Outcome Measures (OM), Student Financial Aid (SFA).

View All Collection Release Dates

https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/



# Survey Components Page



https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/use-the-data/survey-components



# Resource Pages and Brochures



About IPEDS \* Use The Data Report Your Data ▼ Find Your College ▼ Collaborate With NCES ▼

<u>Home</u> > <u>Use The Data</u> > Students Cohorts And Subgroups

#### Students Cohorts And Subgroups

Students Cohorts And Subgroups Collected in IPEDS By Survey Component

Aligning Student Counts and Cohorts Across IPEDS Survey Components

Guidance For Data Reporters

Guidance For Data Users

#### Student Cohorts And Subgroups In IPEDS

The Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) consists of 12 interrelated survey components administered annually to all postsecondary institutions that participate in Title IV federal student aid programs. For many survey components (e.g., Admissions, Fall Enrollment, Human Resources) student or employee counts are the unit of information, whereas other survey components present the institution as the unit of information (e.g., Institutional Characteristics, Finance). For survey components that collect student or employee counts, individuals are often reported in disaggregated demographic groups (e.g., by race/ethnicity, gender) which allows for more detailed understanding of specific subpopulations at the institution. The table below provides details on the types of information and subgroups collected by each IPEDS survey component that collects counts of individuals.

Cohorts and Subgroups Collected in IPEDS, by Survey Component Expand All | Collapse All

Completions

	Type	Inclusion Criteria	Subgroups / Disaggregates
Completions (C)	Student	All students who earned a recognized postsecondary credential	Completers (unduplicated): Race/Ethnicity x Gender
			Completers (duplicated across levels): <sup>2</sup>



NCES Blog
https://nces.ed.gov/blogs/nces/





#### Data Tools

- Search for a college (College Navigator)
- Data Explorer
- Data trends (Trend Generator)
- Look up an institution





- Data Feedback Report
- Statistical tables
- Summary tables
- Compare institutions

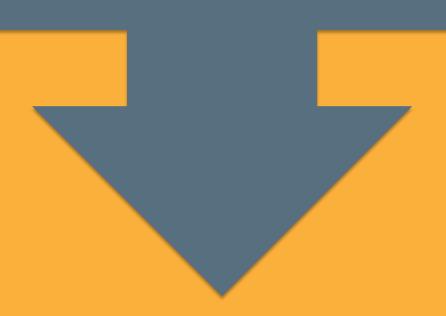
- Raw data files
- Complete files
- Access data files











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