CU Data Made Simple [1]

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General Facts
CU Strategic Plan

2021-2026

Innovating for the Future
The Strategic Metrics provide supporting data for the 2021-2026 strategic plan, including progress toward goals.

- Goals & Supporting Data [3]
- Board of Regents Presentations [6]
Economic Impact Study

Analysis by the Leeds School of Business on CU’s economic impact on the state of Colorado
Analysis on the economic impact of the University of Colorado System on the state of Colorado by the Business Research Division in the Leeds School of Business.

Summary: FY 2023
Current Report: FY 2023
Fact Sheets: CU System
CU Boulder UCCS CU Denver CU Anschutz

Answer Book

A fact book with information on CU history, governance, campus roles and missions, students, faculty and staff, research activity, cost of attendance, and finances.


Students
Student Enrollment

Student headcount enrollment reflects the number of students enrolled for the reporting period.
Online Enrollment

Explore enrollment in courses delivered online
Student Retention Rates

Explore first-to-second year student retention rates for each CU campus over time
Alumni Outcomes

An analysis of CU alumni employment outcomes based on degree recipients from 1990 to 2021

Additional reports and data are available through the Office of Academic Affairs [68]. View the current and past Diversity Report [69] and Pre-Collegiate Development Program (PCDP) Report [69].

Faculty & Staff
Faculty and Staff Headcount

A count of full-time and part-time faculty and staff employed by each CU campus and system administration. Data are consistent with those reported to the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics. Data do not include student or other temporary employees. This data is updated every year during the spring term.
Faculty and Staff Salaries

Database of CU employee salaries is updated annually. The information does not include temporary workers, student employees or part-time retirees and reflects a single point in time during the fall term. The total number of rows should not be interpreted as an employee count. An employee with multiple appointments will be included for each appointment and is uniquely identified by ID.

The database can be filtered by campus and school/college and sorted by ID, department, job family, job title, campus and salary level.

Go to online database or view pdf.

CU Diversity Report

The annual CU Diversity Report includes diversity data on students, faculty, and staff. The report includes faculty diversity by race/ethnicity and gender by rank and tenure status and staff diversity by race/ethnicity and gender diversity by occupational category.

Published CU Diversity Reports

Budget, Finance & Capital Assets
Video: How Does CU's Budget Work [99]

Annual Budget

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CU’s budget is approved by the Board of Regents each spring. Annual budgeted revenues and expenditures are presented for each CU campus. This data is updated every year during the summer.

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**Budget Data Book**

- The Budget Data Book is submitted annually to the Colorado Department of Higher Education. It outlines appropriated revenues and expenditures of the CU campuses. This data is updated every year during the fall term.

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Sustainability Report

CU has a longstanding commitment to fostering sustainability systemwide as well as leading the state in such efforts. More than a decade ago, the CU Board of Regents passed a Sustainability Resolution directing the university president and chancellors to incorporate Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards in construction projects wherever possible; develop comprehensive plans to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and incorporate the mandates of the Governor’s Climate Action Plan into each campus’ efforts to attain climate neutrality. Go to cu.edu/2021-sustainability.

Capital Assets

For data on age of campus buildings and buildings with maintenance backlogs, view the Annual Indicators presentation on this page (under General Facts). For additional information on Capital Construction and Controlled Maintenance, visit the Capital Construction & Planning web page.

Cost of Attendance & Student Financial Aid
Cost of Attendance

Total cost of attendance includes tuition and fees, housing, books, transportation and other expenses. Tuition and fee rates are approved by the Board of Regents each spring. The following tables present the full-time cost of attendance at each CU campus by degree level,
Financial Assistance

Provides data on financial assistance awarded to CU students by campus and type of assistance (e.g. federal aid, state aid, institutional aid, scholarships, federal loans). This data is updated every year during the fall term.
Affordability & Student Financial Aid

Even in times of uncertainty, a college education continues to be an investment worth making. On average, people with bachelor’s degrees earn $1.5 million dollars more over their working lives, experience lower unemployment and are healthier than those who do not graduate from college. Visit the following web page that outlines CU’s commitment to affordability, including how we keep tuition in check, continue to fund student aid, reduce out-of-pocket costs, and other factors that affect your investment in your future.

Go to cu.edu/affordability [174]

Sponsored Research
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Explore CU sponsored research awards by fiscal year, funding source, and campus

Colorado, National & Peer Comparisons
Funding Higher Education in CO

Analysis of Colorado state funding of higher education back to 2001 by governing board
U.S. Earnings & Unemployment

Explore annual earnings and unemployment rates by educational attainment
Student Diversity and Peer Comparisons

Explore demographic diversity to multiple peer groups
Student Finances and Peer Comparisons

Explore student financial aid to multiple peer groups

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