

Higher Education Across the State and Nation

State Higher Education Finance Report

One of the reports that SOU leans on for its analyses and comparisons with other institutions is the State Higher Education Executive Officers (SHEEO) Association's State Higher Education Finance (SHEF) report. SHEEO works to promote the value of higher education and ensure equitable access to education for all Americans. Since 2003 SHEEO has released the SHEF report to increase understanding and enable analysis of funding and enrollment trends over time. Of particular interest in the Fiscal Year 2025 report is Figure 3.2 Public Higher Education Appropriations Per FTE by State. This chart shows how much money each state gives to public higher education, divided by the number of full time students. To read the full report click [here](#).

Higher Education Coordinating Commission Reports

SOU also works closely with the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC). The HECC is the state agency in Oregon responsible for coordinating funding, policy, and strategic planning for all public universities, community colleges, and career schools in Oregon. The HECC regularly releases reports surrounding spending, efficiency, student success, and more. For a full list of reports click [here](#). In January 2026 the HECC released a Spending and Efficiency in Oregon Public Universities report. This release detailed information about Oregon public universities' spending as well as considerations for cost efficiency. Key findings can be found on page 5. Click [here](#) for the full report.