

CORRECTION: The AY 2021-22 Reconnect Cohort Revised Two-Year Completion Rate in the original communication sent on Friday, May 2, 2025, was incorrect. Below is the correct rate, which aligns with the workbooks delivered to Directors of Institutional Research.

Hello,

The Michigan Reconnect Grant Act, [as amended in 2022](#), establishes target completion rates for institutions participating in the Michigan Reconnect Program. Each college has a baseline four-year adult completion rate, and subsequent Reconnect cohorts must show improvement from the previous cohort's rate. The first four-year Reconnect completion rate will be calculated after the 2024-25 academic year.

You are receiving this communication to help your institution monitor progress of your Reconnect cohorts. Please review the information below to support internal planning and program improvement efforts.

Kellogg Community College Cohorts at a Glance

Below are your institution's rates based on data submitted to CEPI in fall 2024:

- AY 2017-18 Baseline Four-Year Adult Completion Rate: 29.40%
- AY 2021-22 Reconnect Cohort
 - **Revised Two-Year Completion Rate:** 27.89%
 - Note: This rate has been recalculated based on updated methodology. This rate and associated UICs may differ from what was sent in April 2024.
 - Three-Year Completion Rate: 38.42%
- AY 2022-23 Reconnect Cohort
 - Two-Year Completion Rate: 19.51%

Reconnect Completion Rate Methodology

The methodology counts the highest level of completion for a student at a community college. A completion can be an award (certificate, associate degree, bachelor's degree, or other credential) or a transfer to a 4-year university. Students are placed into one of three categories:

- Completion: the student earned an award or transferred to a 4-year university
- Non-completion: the student didn't earn an award and did not transfer to a 4-year university
- Other Transfer: the student transferred to another community college and was excluded from the initial community college's population

Students are assigned to a Reconnect cohort based on the first semester they were designated as a Reconnector in [MiSSG](#), including those with an award amount of zero dollars. The MiSSG system has one summer term, which is the last semester of the MiSSG school year, which runs from September 1 to August 31. Outcome data is based on CEPI's academic year, which runs from July 1 to June 30, plus awards conferred through August 31. Annual metrics are calculated for Reconnect students age 25+ only. Reconnect Expansion students will not be included in annual metrics.

Timing and Processes

The legislation defines the completion rate as a four-year metric. Since the fall semester of the 2021-22 academic year was the first fall semester after Reconnect began, four-year completion rates can only be calculated after 2024-25 academic year data is submitted through STARR and calculated by CEPI and MILEAP.

Once 4-year completion data are available for the AY 2021-22 Reconnect cohort, the Office of Sixty by 30 will notify colleges whether they have met the required growth target based on comparison to their AY 2017-18 baseline adult completion rate. This will determine if a college is in full program standing, or being placed on probationary status for not improving their Reconnect completion rates at the required pace. Please review [Section 5\(ii\)](#) of the Reconnect Grant Act to ensure your institution is on track to meet the expected growth targets. If you have questions or concerns about these requirements, please contact the [Office of Sixty by 30](#).

To maintain transparency and support planning, CEPI will continue to provide annual completion rate updates and a list of students for each Reconnect cohort. **A second email containing detailed cohort information was sent to your Director of Institutional Research on Friday, May 2.**

The password to access your institution's report is: Reconnect05209

Methodology Updates

Based on feedback from institutions, and in collaboration with the Office of Sixty by 30, the Reconnect Completion Rates methodology has been updated. The following adjustments have been made for all Reconnect cohort calculations:

- Cohort Semester Start: cohorts are assigned by fall semester instead of summer to align with MiSSG
 - Example: AY 2021-22 Reconnect cohort begins fall 2021 instead of summer 2021
- Concurrent Enrollment: if a student is enrolled at more than one 2-year IHE, AND one is the Reconnect Cohort IHE, then they do not count as transfer
- Reconnect Zero Dollar Recipients: Reconnectors with a zero-dollar award amount, aka “eligible no reimbursement,” are included in the cohorts

Reconnect Completion Rate Inquiry Form and Webinar

If you identify potential anomalies in your cohort data, you may submit an explanation and supporting documentation through the [Reconnect Completion Rate Inquiry Form](#). This form allows you to provide file uploads and details regarding discrepancies. Submissions will be reviewed by the Office of Sixty by 30 and CEPI. Directors of Institutional Research should lead reporting and reconciliation efforts with support from Directors of Financial Aid.

The Office of Sixty by 30 will be hosting a webinar via Zoom on Tuesday, May 13 at 1 p.m. to discuss recent changes and answer questions from stakeholders. Click [here](#) to join the webinar.

Thank you for your commitment to supporting student completion through Michigan Reconnect.

-CEPI and the Office of Sixty by 30

This communication was sent to the following contacts, as available: President/Chancellor, Director of IR, Registrar, and Director of Financial Aid. Please share this information with others involved in Michigan Reconnect at your college.