

522S (W): Median Annual Earnings Before Exiting

Student Group: Comprehensive Snapshot

Background Information: <https://datavista.cccco.edu/background-info/S>

Metric Type/Category: Employment and Earnings

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Description	Among students who exited the community college system and who did not transfer to any postsecondary institution, median annual earnings before exit
Notes	A student's academic year of exit is the end of the academic year in which they were last enrolled in the community college system Unemployment Insurance data contain wages only for those employed in an occupation or industry covered by Unemployment Insurance in California. This excludes individuals employed by the military or federal government, and those who are self-employed, employed out of state, unemployed, or not in the workforce after completion of an award Data will not be displayed until two years after a student exits the system COLA Table for 2024-25 (https://datavista.cccco.edu/resources/47)
Data Sources	Chancellor's Office Management Information System CTE Outcomes Survey National Student Clearinghouse CSU/UC Match
Data Elements	Student Enrollment File Transfer Bucket
Calculations	Calculate median annual earnings for 203S Students Who Exited Higher Education who met the following criteria: Were matched in the UI wage file in the second fiscal quarter before exit Wage records found in the second fiscal quarter before the academic year of exit AND annualize earnings in the second fiscal quarter before exit AND multiply quarterly fiscal wages by four, using the quarterly wages in the second fiscal quarter in the calendar year prior to exit (corresponding to Oct-Dec of 2017 for a student who exited in 2018) AND adjust for inflation AND use the COLA table in the notes to adjust for inflation AND count students at any college and on any TOP code where a student took 0.5 or more units or noncredit courses in the selected year
Denominator	203S Students Who Exited Higher Education
Value Type	Median earnings and unduplicated count of students

Disaggregations Age Group, Race/Ethnicity, Gender, Perkins Economically Disadvantaged