

Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS): An improved system (1999)

By the NCES Taskforce on IPEDS Redesign



- *How should IPEDS reporting be modified to address new congressional mandates and to provide policymakers and researchers with more timely data that are easy to access and easy to use?*

About This Report

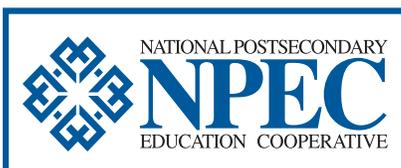
In 1999, several NPEC working groups, including a working group on faculty data, a working group on enrollment data and a working group on institutional characteristics data collaborated with NCES to develop recommendations for changes to the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS). The purpose of this work was to enhance the quality and timeliness of reporting postsecondary student, faculty, staff, and institution data and improve the efficiency of IPEDS data collection. The recommendations are captured in *Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS): An improved system*, the final report of the NCES Taskforce on IPEDS Redesign. The report proposes changes in data content and collection methodology that will make IPEDS reporting more relevant and thorough while minimizing data burden. Suggestions are also made for developing better communication with data providers and stakeholders.

Who Can Use This Report

Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS): An improved system, the report of the Taskforce, will help data providers and other stakeholders understand the rationale for and the proposed changes to IPEDS reporting.

How To Obtain This Report

This final report of the NCES Taskforce on IPEDS Redesign can be downloaded from the NCES/IPEDS website at: <http://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/pdf/redesign/redesign.pdf>. (PDF 229kb)



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