CURRENT COLLEGE DATA LEAVES
STUDENTS IN THE DARK

Students and families need clear and accurate information when selecting a postsecondary option in order to pick a school best-suited to meet their needs. But the information that's available on student outcomes today doesn't tell the full story—leaving students in the dark.

Graduation Rate

The current federal graduation rate only factors in **first-time, full-time students**

47% of all students

43% of students at 4-year schools are invisible

67% of students at 2-year schools are invisible

leaving out many students who work while going to school or have attended more than one institution

Part-time Students
Invisible in our current system, whether or not they end up graduating.

Transfer Students
Counted as failures in the current system, whether or not they graduate from another institution.

Earnings Data

The federal government provides data on the salaries of students after they attend an institution. But right now, current earnings data only factors in **students who received federal student aid or grants**

70% of all students

36% of students at 4-year schools are invisible

26% of students at 2-year schools are invisible

Program Level

The current data has no distinction between various programs of study. Not all programs at a given institution are of the same quality, and **student outcomes can depend on their choice of major**

But, there's a way to fix it and count all students. Learn more at: http://thrdwy.org/2utO8Lq

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