

Impact of Higher Education in

Rhode Island

Estimated Economic Impact

\$1.7B

Lightcast 2025 Total Gross Regional Product (NAICS Code 611310)

IMPACT SNAPSHOT

\$99.7M

Federal Taxes
(Goods and Services)

24,168

People Employed in
Higher Education

36,699

Jobs Created in
the State¹

Lightcast Input-Output Model, 2025

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Number of
Institutions

77,488

Total Students

19,284

Students Awarded a
Pell Grant (2023)

Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) Academic Year 2024-2025

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¹ Across all industries. A calculation of economic activity generated by people employed at higher education institutions.