

The 59 members of the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities in Massachusetts produce a significant economic impact across the state and within the western region of the Commonwealth. This comes from member institutions' annual operations and capital investments, as well as from student and visitor spending. While most of this impact comes from the 11 institutions located within western Massachusetts, there are spillover impacts from schools located in the central and eastern regions.

Economic Impact in Western Massachusetts

ECONOMIC IMPACT

JOBS SUPPORTED

\$3.3 billion

19,400 jobs

ECONOMIC IMPACT BY CATEGORY

OPERATIONS

CAPITAL

ANCILLARY SPENDING

ALUMNI WAGE PREMIUM*



\$1.9 billion



\$280 million



\$140 million



\$980 million

Amherst College
Bard College at Simon's Rock
Bay Path University
Elms College
Hampshire College
Mount Holyoke College
Smith College
Springfield College
Thomas Aquinas College
Western New England University
Williams College



*Alumni Wage Premium was calculated at the state level. This value represents the impact across the state from schools located within the Western MA Region.







ASSOCIATION OF INDEPENDENT COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES IN MASSACHUSETTS

AICUM member institutions have significant economic and social impacts within the Commonwealth. This comes from not only the annual operations, capital investments, and ancillary spending, but also due to the multiplier effect of the enhanced earnings of alumni living in Massachusetts. Member institutions also enhance the economic competitiveness of their regions and invest in communities throughout the state. In all these ways, AICUM member institutions, while private entities, deliver substantial benefits to the state and its taxpayers.

Statewide Impacts

ECONOMIC IMPACT

JOBS SUPPORTED

\$71.1 billion

320,800 jobs

ECONOMIC IMPACT BY CATEGORY

OPERATIONS

CAPITAL

VISITOR SPENDING

ALUMNI WAGE PREMIUM



\$34.9 billion



\$4.4 billion



\$3.6 billion



\$28.1 billion

TAX REVENUE GENERATED TO COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

\$2.4 billion

Member Institutions Produce Additional Benefits Throughout the State









