

Education Programs⁹

There are four education programs identified in this section of the report. They are divided into two categories: foundation or basic skills, and higher education programs. Three programs receive both federal and state funding, the other is federally-funded. The four education programs described here received a total of \$54,073,738 in 2001 and served 102,672¹⁰ individuals.¹¹

The programs in this section of the report include:

- Adult Basic Education Program (ABE)
- Educational Opportunity Center (EOC)
- Minnesota Correctional Facility – St. Cloud Vocational Training Programs
- Post-Secondary Enrollment Options (PSEO)

Foundation / Basic Skills

The Adult Basic Education Program provides opportunities for Minnesota adults to acquire basic education skills. Customers range from individuals who need to upgrade basic skills for post-secondary admissions to recent immigrants with limited English proficiency.

Higher Education

These programs provide alternative means for individuals to attain post-secondary credentials. Post-Secondary Education Options allows certain high school students to take college-level courses while still in high school. The vocational program at the St. Cloud Correctional Facility provides in-demand training to inmates who can earn college credits with Minnesota State Colleges, and Universities. Educational Opportunity Centers offer financial and admission assistance to low-income and first-generation college students.

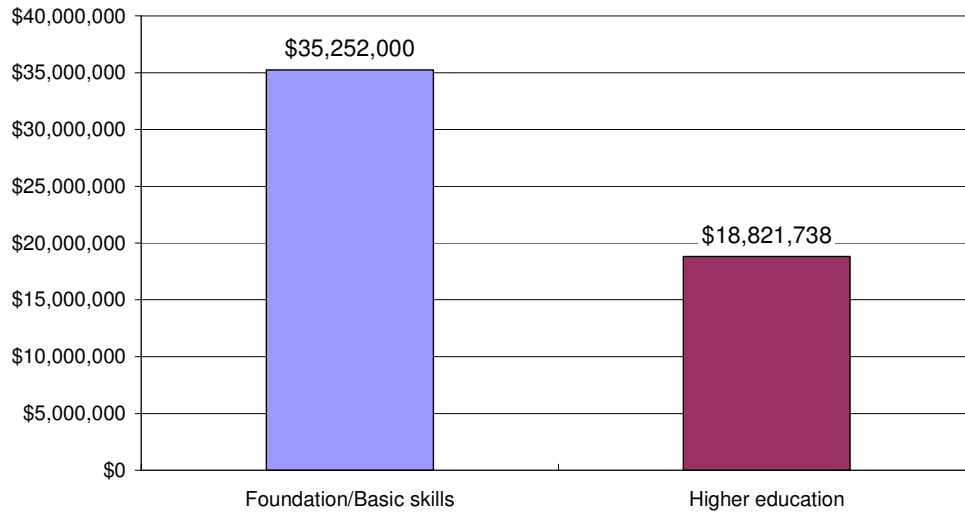
⁹ Note that first-chance education programs such as the Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 12 curriculum, and courses in the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) and the University of Minnesota, while an important part of the state's overall workforce development strategy, are not the focus of this report.

¹⁰ The actual number of individuals served is higher than reported here. This figure was not received in time for printing from the Minnesota Correctional Facility – St. Cloud Vocational Training Programs.

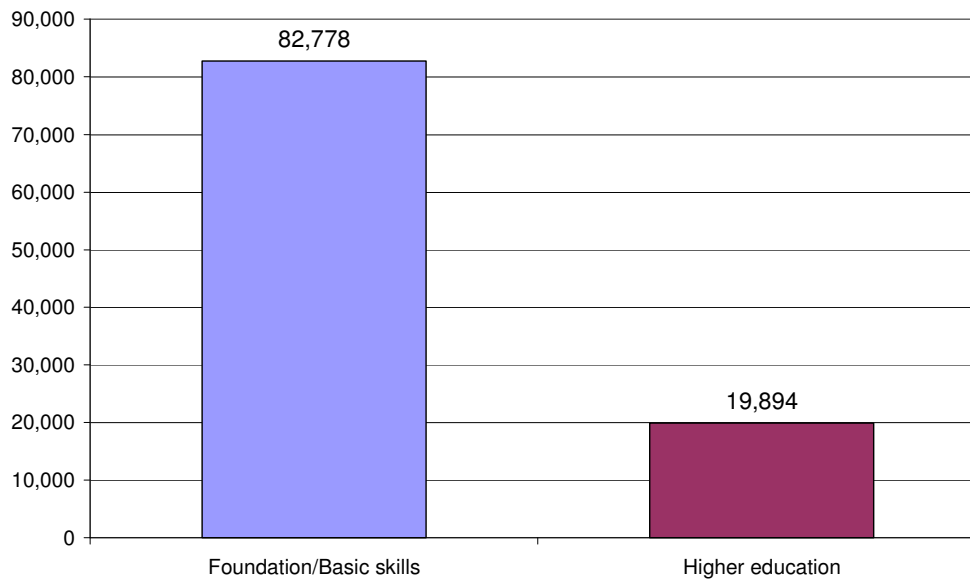
¹¹ We were unable to discern where duplicate counts occur in "number served" figures.

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Allocations for Program Year ending in 2001



People served for Program Year ending in 2001



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Program Funding Sources ¹²					
Agency Program		Source of Federal Funding	Federal Allocation	Source of State Funding	State Allocation
Foundation / Basic skills	CFL Adult Basic Education Program (ABE)	U.S. Department of Education, Office of Vocational and Adult Education	\$5,178,000	Department of Children, Families and Learning, State General Fund	\$30,074,000
Higher Education	CFL Post-Secondary Enrollment Options (PSEO)		\$0	Department of Children, Families and Learning, State General Fund	\$17,664,403
	DOC Minnesota Correctional Facility – St. Cloud Vocational Training Programs		\$0	Department of Children, Families and Learning, State General Fund	\$442,450
	US-DOE Educational Opportunity Center (EOC)	U.S. Department of Education, Office of Postsecondary Education	\$714,885		\$0

¹² Allocation amounts are for the Program Year ending in 2001.

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General Program Information				
Agency Program	Purpose	Services	Customers	Number Served
Foundation / Basic skills	<p>CFL Adult Basic Education Program (ABE)</p> <p>To provide opportunities for Minnesota adults to acquire basic education skills:</p> <p>a) necessary for literate functioning and meeting their responsibilities with family and community,</p> <p>b) to benefit from post-secondary and job training programs,</p> <p>c) to achieve high school equivalency, and</p> <p>d) to achieve self-sufficiency</p>	<p>ABE helps learners to:</p> <p>Attain employment and/or better their current employment;</p> <p>Achieve high school equivalency (GED or Adult H.S. Diploma);</p> <p>Attain skills necessary to enter post-secondary education and training;</p> <p>Exit public welfare and become self-sufficient;</p> <p>Learn to speak and write the English language;</p> <p>Master basic academic skills to help their children succeed in school;</p> <p>Become U.S. citizens and participate in democratic society; and</p> <p>Gain self-esteem, personal confidence and sense of personal and civic responsibility.</p>	<p>High school dropouts; persons for whom English is not their first language; persons functioning below the 12th grade level in basic skill (academic) levels; adults who need to upgrade their basic skills to be accepted in post-secondary institutions; persons who are seeking US citizenship</p>	82,778
	<p>CFL Post-Secondary Enrollment Options (PSEO)</p> <p>Allows high school juniors and seniors to take courses, full or part-time, at a post-secondary institution for high school credit. The program provides students with a greater variety of class offerings and the opportunity to pursue more challenging coursework than may be available at the high school.</p>	<p>The PSEO program provides an opportunity for any Minnesota 11th or 12th grader to earn both high school and college credit. The tuition, fees, and required textbooks are at no cost to students.</p>	<p>Minnesota high school juniors and seniors at public high schools, private high schools, or home schools. A few adults (over 21) who meet specified criteria are also enrolled in the program.</p>	17,194
	<p>DOC Minnesota Correctional Facility – St. Cloud Vocational Training Programs</p> <p>Train offenders for employment in their communities after release.</p>	<p>Facility awards certificates and diplomas. Advanced standing agreements are in place at MnSCU campuses that have the same program.</p>	<p>Felony offenders incarcerated at the Minnesota Corrections Facility at St. Cloud.</p>	Not reported
Higher Education	<p>US-DOE Educational Opportunity Center (EOC)</p> <p>Provides counseling and information on college admissions to qualified adults who want to enter or continue a program of postsecondary education. An important objective of EOC is to counsel participants on financial aid options and to assist in the application process. The goal of EOC is to increase the number of adult participants who enroll in post-secondary education institutions.</p> <p>EOC is one of the eight TRIO programs administered by the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Postsecondary Education for the purpose of increasing access to quality postsecondary education.</p>	<p>Assistance with applications for financial aid, career assessments (Strong, Career Assessment Inventory, Myers Briggs Type Indicator, Campbell, etc.), career research help, counseling and advising on post-secondary programs and help with applications and scholarship searches.</p>	<p>Low-income and first-generation baccalaureate degree earners who are interested in entering post-secondary education.</p>	2,700

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Measures¹³

Agency Program	Federal Measures	Results	State Measures	Results	Other Measures
Foundation / Basic skills CFL Adult Basic Education Program (ABE)	1) Demonstrated improvements in literacy skill levels in reading and problem solving, numeracy, writing, English language acquisition, speaking the English language, and other literacy skills; 2) Placement in, retention in, or completion of post-secondary education, training, unsubsidized employment, or career advancement (follow-up must occur in the first and third quarter after the client has left the program, sampling not permitted); and 3) Receipt of a secondary school diploma or its recognized equivalent (GED and Adult Diploma). Annual cost per adult learner GEDs earned Left public assistance High school diplomas Entered post-secondary education Earned U.S. Citizenship Able to assist children in school Gained or bettered employment		Number served or registered	82,778	One out of every six diplomas issued in MN during 2002 was a GED or Adult H.S. Diploma. ABE enrollment has increased by 83% since 1995 (45,322 to 82,778 participants).
			Hours of ESL	2,657,194 (64% of total hours)	
			Participation hours	4,132,509	
			Cost per participant	\$461.54	
			< \$500		
			11,268		
			156*		
			1,244		
			2,865*		
			408*		
	1,895*				
	2,477*				
Higher Education	CFL Post-Secondary Enrollment Options (PSEO)	Not applicable	None reported		
	DOC Minnesota Correctional Facility – St. Cloud Vocational Training Programs	Not applicable	None reported		
	US-DOE Educational Opportunity Center (EOC)	None reported	Not applicable		

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Service Delivery										
Agency and Program Name		Who delivers products and services?			Where are products and services delivered?					
		State staff		Other	Community-based organizations	Educational Institutions	Faith-based organizations	WorkForce Centers	Online	Other
Foundation / Basic skills	CFL Adult Basic Education Program (ABE)				X				X	X
Higher Education	CFL Post-Secondary Enrollment Options (PSEO)	X	X			X			X	
	DOC Minnesota Correctional Facility – St. Cloud Vocational Training Programs	X								X
	US-DOE Educational Opportunity Center (EOC)	X			X	X		X		