CTE in Missouri

The Missouri economy is experiencing a skills gap...

of jobs in Missouri require skills training—
more education than high school but less than a four-year degree.

46% of Missouri workers are trained at this level.

Career and technical education (CTE) programs can fill these gaps, particularly in Missouri's key industries, like:

- agribusiness
- construction
- health care science and services
- information technology



8,631 Missouri high school students earned an industry-recognized credential in 2021-22.

Many students are already enrolled in CTE in Missouri, developing technical, academic and employability skills and engaging in work-based experiences with industry partners. During the 2020-21 school year, Missouri had:

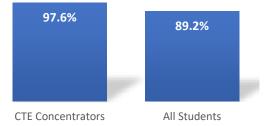
122,247

secondary CTE participants

58,472

postsecondary/adult CTE participants

These youth and adult learners in CTE programs are more engaged, graduate high school at higher rates, earn industry-recognized credentials, and have rewarding and family-sustaining careers.



Four-year cohort graduation rate in Missouri (2020-21)

15,729

postsecondary credentials earned by CTE students in Missouri (2020-21)









More investment is needed to scale CTE programs across Missouri to ensure that all learners, including historically underserved learners, have access to high-quality CTE programs in high-skill, high-wage and in-demand career fields.

CTE: Good for Students, Good for Business, Good for Communities! FY 23 Federal Perkins CTE Funding for Missouri

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