

California Community Colleges: International Student Economic Benefit: 2025

** Sources: U.S. Department of Education, U.S. Department of Commerce, Higher Education Institutions (Dollars & Jobs), NAFSA International Student Economic Value Tool: nafsa.org/economicvalue*

Financial Contribution: California Community Colleges: \$ 617,597,034
Jobs Gained: California Community Colleges: 2,580
International Students Enrolled: 17,000

For every three international students, one U.S. job is created and supported by spending in accommodation, dining, retail, transportation, telecommunications and health insurance sectors.

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International students at U.S. community colleges contributed \$2.2 billion and supported more than 9,000 jobs in the U.S. economy. **These economic benefits represent a 10.5 percent increase in dollars contributed, and a 7.4 percent increase in jobs supported when compared to the previous year.** This marks the third year of growth in economic contribution from the U.S. community college sector.

TABLE 1: California International Student Enrollment & Net Contribution to State 2011-2024

	Number of International Students in California Community Colleges	Net Contribution to State Economy	Number of Reporting Colleges
2024-2025	17,000	\$ 617,597,034	73 colleges reporting
2023-2024	11,527	\$ 591,383,336	60 colleges reporting
2022-2023	Not reported	\$ 396,409,173	66 colleges reporting
2018-2019	23,609	\$ 801.9 M	72 colleges reporting
2017-2018	27,125	\$ 810.9 M	61 colleges reporting
2016-2017	28,921	\$ 799.8 M	59 colleges reporting
2015-2016	27,140	\$ 794.5 M	62 colleges reporting
2014-2015	25,513	\$ 995,524,000	72 colleges reporting
2013-2014	26,357	\$ 695,325,400	67 colleges reporting
2012-2013	25,690	\$ 679,583,100	70 colleges reporting
2011-2012	24,983	\$ 619,008,400	65 colleges reporting

* 2022-2023 raw numbers were not provided

**TABLE23: International Student Net Contribution and Jobs Created
Comparing 2022, 2024, and 2025**

1. NA are colleges with no numbers reported in NAFSA Economic Report in 2025
2. 10 Colleges that were previously mentioned were not included in the 2025 report.
3. 4 Colleges that were not included in previous reports are included in the Colleges
4. The colleges/districts are listed in order of profit
5. Difference Column compares gain/loss from 2024 to 2025
6. 34 Colleges experienced Gains, 23 Colleges experienced losses and 14 had inability to compare,

INSTITUTION	2022 Dollars	2022 Jobs	2024 Dollars	2024 Jobs	2025 Dollars	2025 Jobs	\$ Difference
De Anza College	\$49 M	236	76.6 M	332	84.2 m	355	7.6 M gain
Santa Monica College	\$52.7 M	256	56.2 M	245	65.4 m	265	9.2 M gain
Orange Coast College	\$29 M	138	54.4 M	233	56.4 m	236	2 M gain
Irvine Valley College	\$14.1 M	67	27.5 M	117	31.1 M	128	3.6 M gain
Pasadena City College	\$14.4 M	68	21.4 M	90	30 M	129	8.6 M gain
San Mateo District	\$16 M	76	29.1 M	124	27.7 M	115	1.7 M loss
Diablo Valley College	\$18.2 M	86	25.6 M	109	25.2 M	104	.4 M loss
Foothill College	\$11.4 M	55	18.2 M	79	20.8 M	88	2.6 M gain
City College of San Francisco	\$10.2 M	49	19.7 M	84	20.7 M	85	1 M gain
Saddleback College	\$6.3 M	30	8.3 M	35	16.1 M	67	7.8 M gain
Ohlone College	\$5 M	24	12 M	51	13.8 M	58	1.8 M gain
Peralta District	\$10 M	48	13.9 M	59	13.7 M	57	.2 M loss
Mt. San Antonio College	\$8.7 M	42	11.8 M	51	13.6 M	57	1.8 M gain
El Camino District	\$19.8 M	94	15 M	63	12.7 M	53	2.3 M loss
Santa Barbara City College	\$9 M	44	14 M	61	12 M	51	2 M loss
Los Angeles City College	\$8.5 M	40	14.6 M	64	NA	NA	NA
Riverside City College	\$6.5 M	31	9.2 M	38	9.2 M	42	0 M gain
Fullerton College	\$3.6 M	17	8.6 M	36	8.9 M	37	0.3 M gain
Glendale Community College	\$7.9 M	37	12.7 M	53	8.6 M	35	4.1 M loss
Grossmont College	\$7.2 M	35	9.6 M	42	8.5 M	36	1.1 M loss
Coastline Community College	\$3.4 M	16	6.3 M	27	6.9 M	29	.6 M gain
Citrus College	\$6.7 M	32	7.4 M	32	6.8 M	28	0.6 M loss
East Los Angeles College	\$3.6 M	17	5.3 M	23	6.8 M	28	1.5 M gain
Santa Ana College	NA	NA	6 M	25	8 M	33	2 M gain
Mission College	\$7.2 M	34	2.3 M	10	NA	NA	NA
Golden West College	\$4.6 M	22	5.3 M	22	6.1 M	26	0.8 M gain
Cypress College	\$3.6 M	17	4 M	17	5.7 M	24	1.7 M gain
Evergreen Valley College	\$2.4 M	11	4 M	17	5.6 M	23	1.6 M gain
College of the Canyons	\$3.8 M	18	6.1 M	26	5.5 M	23	.6 M loss
San Jose City College	\$3.5 M	17	5.8 M	25	5.5 M	23	.3 M loss
Contra Costa College	\$976,456	5	1.5 M	6	5.3 M	22	3.5 M gain
Los Angeles Pierce College	\$2.5 M	12	5.4 M	23	5.1 M	21	.3 M loss
Chaffey College	\$1.8 M	8	4.1 M	17	4.7 M	20	.6 M gain
Santa Rosa Junior College	\$2.6 M	12	4.6 M	19	4.6 M	19	0 M gain
Las Positas College	\$1.8 M	9	4.1 M	17	4.5 M	19	.4 M gain
Palomar	NA	NA	5.2 M	22	4.3 M	18	0.9 M loss
College of Marin	\$3.8 M	18	5.8 M	25	4.2 M	18	1.6 M loss
Fresno City College	\$2.3 M	11	3.7 M	16	4.2 M	17	.5 M gain

MiraCosta College	\$4.4 M	21	7 M	30	3.9 M	16	3.1 M loss
Santiago Canyon College	\$1.8 M	9	2.9 M	12	3.9 M	16	1 M gain
Cerritos College	\$3.2 M	15	5.4 M	23	NA	NA	NA
Butte College	\$2.7 M	13	3.4 M	15	3.2 M	13	0.2 M loss
Moorpark College	\$2.4 M	11	2.9 M	12	3.2 M	13	0.3 M gain
Chabot College	\$1.6 M	7	2.8 M	12	3.2 M	13	0.4 M gain
San Diego Mesa College	\$2 M	9	2.8 M	12	3.1 M	13	0.8 M gain
Rio Hondo College	\$2.5 M	12	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Modesto Junior College	\$660,152	3	1.7 M	7	3 M	12	1.3 M gain
Cabrillo College	\$1.7 M	8	NA	NA	2.9 M	12	1.2 M gain
Bakersfield College	\$1.2 M	6	2.1 M	9	2.6 M	11	0.5 M gain
Sacramento City College	\$1.5 M	7	2.2 M	9	2.2 M	9	0. M gain
San Joaquin Delta College	\$1.1 M	5	1.8 M	7	2.1 M	9	0.3 M gain
Merced College	\$1.6 M	7	2.3 M	10	1.9 M	8	0.4 M loss
West Los Angeles College	\$1.1 M	5	1.6 M	7	1.7 m	7	0.1 M gain
Los Angeles Harbor College	\$1.1 M	5	2 M	8	1.1 M	5	0.9 M loss
San Diego Miramar College	\$330,651	2	1.1 M	4	1 M	4	0.1 M loss
American River C	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.8 M	8	NA
Antelope Valley C	NA	NA	NA	NA	969,316	4	NA
Los Angeles Mission College	\$1.6 M	8	657,282	3	870,181	4	212,899 gain
West Valley College	\$1.4 M	7	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Lake Tahoe Community College	\$359,478	2	837,521	3	800,675	3	36,846 loss
College of the Sequoias	\$321,811	2	NA	NA	664,578 M	3	NA
San Diego City College	\$297,586	1	741,875	3	658,564	3	83,311 loss
Shasta College	NA	NA	499,657	2	471,051	2	28, 600 loss
Coalinga College	NA	NA	NA	NA	310,694	1	NA
West Hills College Coalinga	\$287,037	1	363,211	2	310,695	1	52,516 loss
Victor Valley College	\$388,594	2	169,199	1	172, 481	1	3,82 loss
Cuyamaca	NA	NA	164,577	1	168,799	1	NA
Los Medanos College	\$691,919	3	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Mt. San Jacinto College	\$638,270	3	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Ventura College	\$520,256	2	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Feather River College	\$126,333	1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
College of the Redwoods	\$102,635	1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA