Arkansas Educational Progress

**HIGH SCHOOL**
- 88% graduated from high school
- 15% met all 4 ACT college-readiness benchmarks
- 10% met ACT STEM benchmark

**POSTSECONDARY**
- Proportion of state financial aid that is need-based:
  - 1% need-based
  - 49% need-blind

- 4-year public college students graduating in 6 years or less:
  - 26%

- Adults 25-64 employed:
  - 35%
  - 21%
  - 9%
  - 3%

- Adults 25+ in poverty:
  - 26%

- 4-year public college freshman persisting to their second year:
  - 82%

- Bachelor’s graduates with student loan debt:
  - 51%

**WORKFORCE**
- Adults 25+ in poverty:
  - 26%

- Adults 25-64 employed:
  - 51%

- Working-age adults with a high school diploma or less:
  - 47%

**K-12 TEACHER WORKFORCE**
- Number of teacher prep program completers:
  - 2,349
  - 1,748
  - 804

- Annual net salary for teachers by years in teaching:
  - 1 year: $26,266
  - 15 years: $30,774
  - 35 years: $33,123

**POSTSECONDARY WORKFORCE**
- Faculty ratio:
  - Part time:
    - Two-year colleges: 53%
    - Four-year colleges and universities: 49%
  - Full time:
    - Two-year colleges: 47%
    - Four-year colleges and universities: 51%

- Faculty and staff employment at postsecondary institutions:
  - Instruction: 31%
  - Research: 1.2%
  - Graduate assistant: 9%
  - Other: 59%

Source: 2022 SREB State Progress Reports, SREB.org/StateProgress