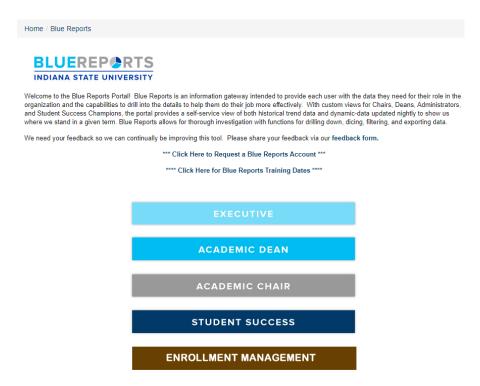
Blue Reports

Blue Reports can be accessed via the ISU home page A-Z menu or from the Institutional Research home page. Dashboards have been created for various institutional roles but all Blue Reports users can access any of the dashboards.

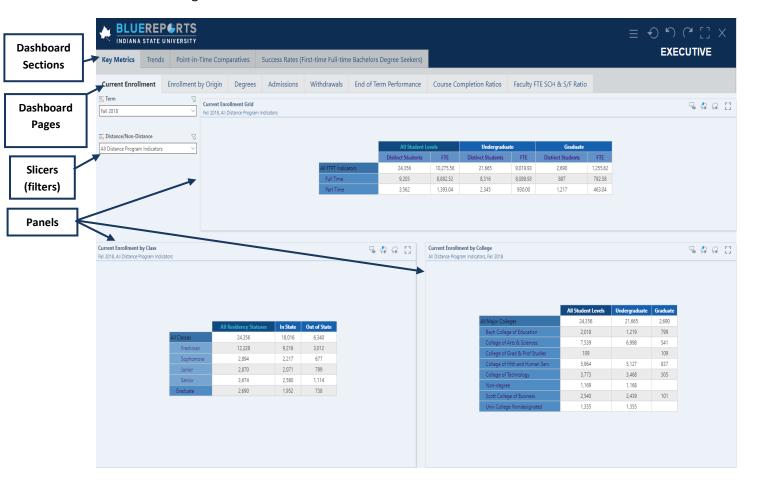


Select the appropriate dashboard for your role at the University. When you select a dashboard button, the dashboard will begin to launch by prompting you for your login information. You must have a Blue Reports account. Blue Reports user names/passwords are the same as your Sycamore login.



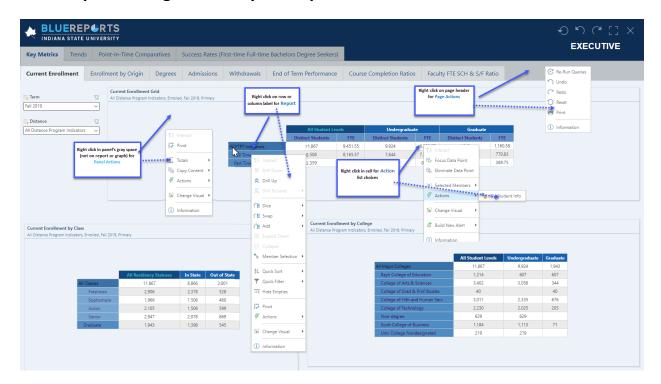
To request a Blue Reports account, please email Ray Buechler:
Ray.Buechler@indstate.edu

Dashboards are organized into sections. The section in context is bolded. Click on the section name to move from section to section. Within each section there are multiple tabs or pages. Click on the page label to move from page to page. Each dashboard page has one or more panels and may have Slicers to allow for filtering.



In most cases, a slicer selection will carry through to other pages in the dashboard. When it doesn't, it is because while the filter may have the same name as one on another page, the selection options differ.

Blue Reports Navigation - Key Concepts:



Key Panel Actions - right click on the gray space in a panel, not on the report or graph

- Pivot (swaps rows and columns)
- Totals (when dicing/drilling, your row or column totals may be removed. Use the Totals action to add totals to your results. Select Totals, Normal Totals, Grid Grand Totals)
- Copy Content (select Copy Raw Data, then open an Excel worksheet and paste)

Page Actions – right click on the page header or panel header

- Undo (Go back to the previous data view)
- Redo
- Reset (Resets the dashboard page to its default view)
- Print (Brings up options to print the current slide, entire presentation, and selected slides.) You
 will see options on the left to print to a PDF or Export Content (to Excel, Word or Powerpoint,
 HTML, PNG, JSON or XML). There are options to select only the current slide (each report on the
 slide will be on a separate tab if exporting to Excel), the entire book (all pages in the dashboard)
 or selected slides (allows you to choose multiple slides).

Key Report Actions - to further investigate the data presented, right click on a report column or row label (or a bar on a graph)

- Drill to Level (choose the level to drill to if there are multiple levels in this dimension; for example, College/Department/Major)
- Dice (for the dataset represented by the column or row label diced from, you can choose a different dimension to categorize results; some dimensions have multiple hierarchy levels so you must select the hierarchy level you wish to use)
- Add (allows for the selection of an additional dimension nested within the one in context)
- Expand Down (shows the current element and the next level in its hierarchy)
- Collapse (hides the elements at the next level in the hierarchy)
- Member Selection (can select a particular row or column to focus on or eliminate; can multiselect rows/columns to focus on or eliminate; or can select Focus & Descendants to select the current element and its descendants at all levels in the hierarchy. For example, Focus and Descendants from a particular Major College will provide the college total and the distribution by department by major for that college)

Actions provide detail lists of individuals represented by the count in a report cell - right click on an individual data cell to determine if there are any available Action Lists for that measure. If so, select a list option. You can click on the Export button at the bottom right of the list to save the list to as a CSV file.

Training and Assistance

- **Training** Monthly "Intro to Blue Reports" sessions for new users are offered during the Fall and Spring semesters. Please consult the training calendar on the Blue Reports website for session meeting information.
- Assistance Call Linda Ferguson (237-8316) or Ray Buechler (237-8256) in the Office of Institutional Research (main number 237-2305)