

CTE in Maine



32% of Maine jobs will require education beyond high school but less than a bachelor's degree by 2031. Career and technical education (CTE) programs prepare students for these jobs in key Maine industries such as:

- outdoor recreation
- marine and aquaculture
- food and agriculture
- clean energy



In 2023, more than 6,000 Maine postsecondary CTE concentrators were employed or pursuing further education or training after program completion.

Many students are already enrolled in CTE in Maine, developing technical, academic and employability skills and engaging in work-based experiences with industry partners. Maine had:

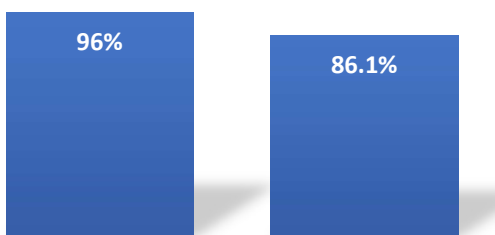
10,540

secondary CTE participants
(2024-25)

8,514

postsecondary CTE participants
(2022-23)

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 Maine (2021-22)

3,242

sub-baccalaureate credentials in CTE fields awarded to Maine students (2022-23)

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

FY 24 Federal Perkins CTE Funding for Maine
\$7,020,601

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