

# IMPACT ON LOCAL BUSINESS COMMUNITY

*Demonstrating the Economic Value of Austin Community College*

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*In FY 2012-13, ACC's total impact on the ACC Service Area economy was \$2.3 billion in added income, equal to 2.3% of the region's Gross Regional Product.*

## ACC PAYROLL & EXPENSES SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES

- In FY 2012-13, ACC employed **4,882** full-time and part-time faculty and staff, with an annual payroll of **\$198.6 MILLION**. Much of this was spent in the ACC Service Area to purchase groceries, clothing, and other household goods and services.
- The college is itself a buyer of goods and services and spent another **\$98.2 MILLION** to support its operations during the analysis year.
- The net impact of college payroll and expenses in the ACC Service Area was **\$276.4 MILLION** in added regional income.

## JOB EQUIVALENTS BASED ON INCOME

Job equivalents are a measure of the average-wage jobs that a given amount of income can potentially support. They are calculated by dividing income by the average income per worker in the region. Based on the added income created by ACC, the job equivalents are as follows:

Operations spending impact = **5,749** job equivalents

Impact of student spending = **1,106** job equivalents

Alumni impact = **30,030** job equivalents

Overall, the added income created by ACC and its students supported **36,884** job equivalents.



**INCOME CREATED BY ACC IN FY  
2012-13 (ADDED INCOME)**

**\$276.4 MILLION**

Operations spending impact

**\$63.6 MILLION**

Impact of student spending

**\$2.0 BILLION**

Alumni impact

**\$2.3 BILLION**

Total impact



**ACC STUDENTS BOOST LOCAL SPENDING**

- Around 9% of students attending ACC originated from outside the region. Some of these students relocated to the ACC Service Area and spent money on groceries, transportation, rent, and so on at regional businesses. These expenditures helped support local businesses.
- The expenditures of the college's out-of-region students added approximately **\$63.6 MILLION** in income to the region during the analysis year.

**ACC TRAINING SUSTAINS A SKILLED  
WORKFORCE**

- Over the years, students have studied at ACC and entered or re-entered the workforce with newly-acquired skills. Today, thousands of former students are employed in the ACC Service Area.
- As students apply the skills they acquired at the college, they are rewarded with higher incomes. They also raise business profits through their increased productivity. These higher incomes and increased profits create even more income as they are spent in the region.
- In FY 2012-13, the effect of former ACC students on the regional economy amounted to **\$2.0 BILLION**, in added income.

