



Comparative Employment Outcomes: Ability of Completers to Be Hired in Education Positions

A comparative analysis of employment in Mississippi during the first year after graduation for the EPP reveals distinct patterns between Traditional and Alternate Route program completers. For the most recent data available (2021–2022 cohort), 36.36% of Traditional Route completers were employed as public school teachers in Mississippi, compared to a significantly higher 79.55% of Alternate Route completers. Similarly, while 6.06% of Traditional Route completers held non-teaching roles in public schools, 15.91% of Alternate Route completers filled such roles.

This trend continues across prior years. In 2020–2021, only 52.38% of Traditional Route completers were hired as public school teachers in their first year, compared to 81.82% of Alternate Route completers. Likewise, in 2019–2020, just 45.45% of Traditional Route completers found employment as public school teachers in Mississippi, while 68.18% of Alternate Route completers did.

The data clearly indicates that Alternate Route completers from the EPP consistently have a higher rate of employment in Mississippi public education settings during their first year after graduation than their Traditional Route counterparts. This disparity may be attributed to the demand for teachers in high-need areas where Alternate Route candidates often fill immediate vacancies, while Traditional Route candidates may face more competitive placement scenarios or choose not to enter the workforce immediately.

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2021-2022 Program Completer Cohort	Employment in MS in First Year after Graduation																					
	Statewide EPP Total										Institution EPP Total											
	Number of Program Completers	Employed as MS Public School Teacher	%	Employed at MS Public School in Non-Teaching Role	%	Employed at MS Private School	%	Employed in MS in Other Educational Setting	%	Employed in MS in Non-Educational Job ¹	%	Number of Program Completers	Employed as MS Public School Teacher	%	Employed at MS Public School in Non-Teaching Role	%	Employed at MS Private School	%	Employed in MS in Other Educational Setting	%	Employed in MS in Non-Educational Job ¹	%
Traditional Route	1,373	879	64.02	79	5.75	18	1.31	19	1.38	105	7.65	33	21	63.64	2	6.06	0	0.00	0	0.00	3	9.09
Alternate Route	1,310	1,034	78.93	134	10.23	13	0.99	8	0.61	33	2.52	44	35	79.55	7	15.91	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	2.27

2020-2021 Program Completer Cohort	Employment in MS in First Year after Graduation																					
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	Number of Program Completers	Employed as MS Public School Teacher	%	Employed at MS Public School in Non-Teaching Role	%	Employed at MS Private School	%	Employed in MS in Other Educational Setting	%	Employed in MS in Non-Educational Job ¹	%	Number of Program Completers	Employed as MS Public School Teacher	%	Employed at MS Public School in Non-Teaching Role	%	Employed at MS Private School	%	Employed in MS in Other Educational Setting	%	Employed in MS in Non-Educational Job ¹	%
Traditional Route	1,248	799	64.02	73	5.85	12	0.96	24	1.92	93	7.45	21	11	52.38	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	4.76	3	14.29
Alternate Route	1,371	1,097	80.01	151	11.01	13	0.95	18	1.31	26	1.90	22	18	81.82	1	4.55	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00

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Traditional Route	1,248	776	62.18	81	6.49	11	0.88	21	1.68	73	5.85	21	10	47.62	1	4.76	0	0.00	1	4.76	0	0.00
Alternate Route	1,371	1,016	74.11	126	9.19	14	1.02	19	1.39	57	4.16	22	15	68.18	4	18.18	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00

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2019-2020 Program Completer Cohort	Employment in MS in First Year after Graduation																					
	Statewide EPP Total										Institution EPP Total											
	Number of Program Completers	Employed as MS Public School Teacher	%	Employed at MS Public School in Non-Teaching Role	%	Employed at MS Private School	%	Employed in MS in Other Educational Setting	%	Employed in MS in Non-Educational Job ¹	%	Number of Program Completers	Employed as MS Public School Teacher	%	Employed at MS Public School in Non-Teaching Role	%	Employed at MS Private School	%	Employed in MS in Other Educational Setting	%	Employed in MS in Non-Educational Job ¹	%
Traditional Route	1,038	629	60.60	50	4.82	5	0.48	12	1.16	86	8.29	11	4	36.36	1	9.09	0	0.00	0	0.00	2	18.18
Alternate Route	552	457	82.79	44	7.97	2	0.36	4	0.72	12	2.17	2	2	#####	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
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Traditional Route	1,038	637	61.37	58	5.59	5	0.48	15	1.45	57	5.49	11	5	45.45	1	9.09	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Alternate Route	552	402	72.83	64	11.59	2	0.36	9	1.63	19	3.44	2	2	#####	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
2019-2020 Program Completer Cohort	Employment in MS in Third Year after Graduation																					
	Statewide EPP Total										Institution EPP Total											
	Number of Program Completers	Employed as MS Public School Teacher	%	Employed at MS Public School in Non-Teaching Role	%	Employed at MS Private School	%	Employed in MS in Other Educational Setting	%	Employed in MS in Non-Educational Job ¹	%	Number of Program Completers	Employed as MS Public School Teacher	%	Employed at MS Public School in Non-Teaching Role	%	Employed at MS Private School	%	Employed in MS in Other Educational Setting	%	Employed in MS in Non-Educational Job ¹	%
Traditional Route	1,038	594	57.23	57	5.49	7	0.67	9	0.87	68	6.55	11	5	45.45	1	9.09	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Alternate Route	552	347	62.86	57	10.33	6	1.09	8	1.45	29	5.25	2	2	#####	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00

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