## AIKCU: Economic Impact Study

## **Total Economic Impact: \$2.06 billion**

The total economic impact of a university can be measured in terms of the direct and induced economic impact of a university's activity on the local economy.

## **Direct Spending: \$1.5 billion**

Direct spending is defined as the amount of money spent directly by the university, university employees, students, and visitors.



Direct Spending by Employees: \$464 million



Direct Spending by Students: \$490.7 million



Direct Spending by Visitors: \$48.5 million



University Purchases: \$306.5 million



Investment Spending: \$201.5 million

## Induced Spending: \$546.5 million

The induced economic impact is the additional employment and expenditures of local industries that result because of direct spending.



Jobs Created: 17,933



FY 2021-22 Economic Impact Study commissioned by the Association of Independent Kentucky Colleges and Universities, released January 2025

Source: Mark Paul Gius, Ph.D., Professor of Economics, Quinnipiac University, Hamden, Connecticut