

IWRC Seed Fund

Tracking Analysis Report

2015-2024 Complete Analysis

Illinois Water Resources Research Center

ANALYSIS OVERVIEW

This comprehensive report tracks the allocation and outcomes of IWRC seed funding across Illinois institutions. The analysis covers two time periods:

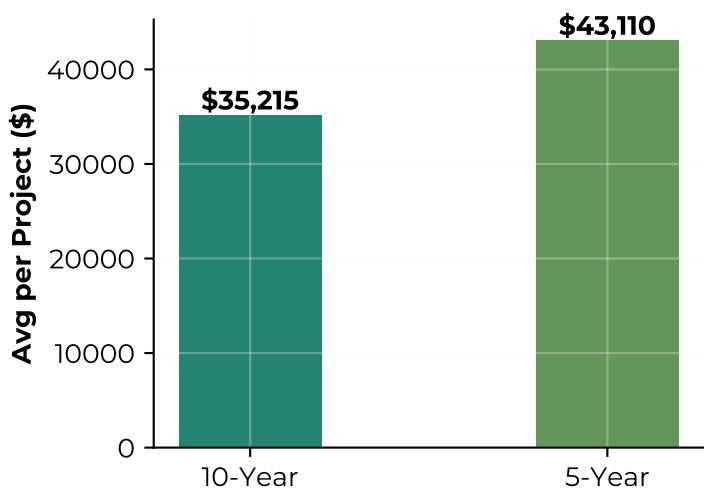
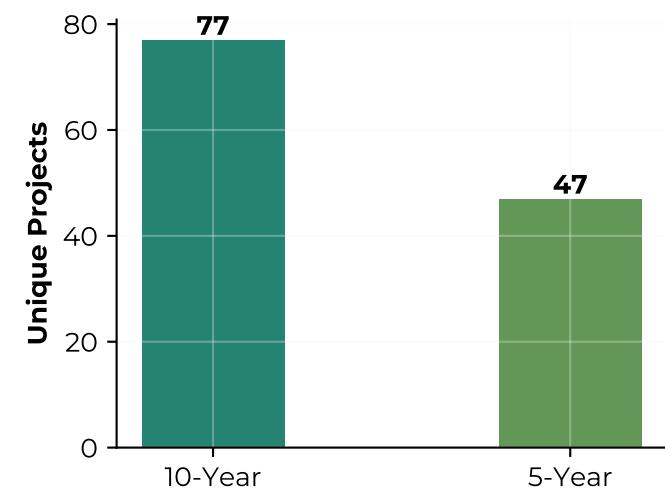
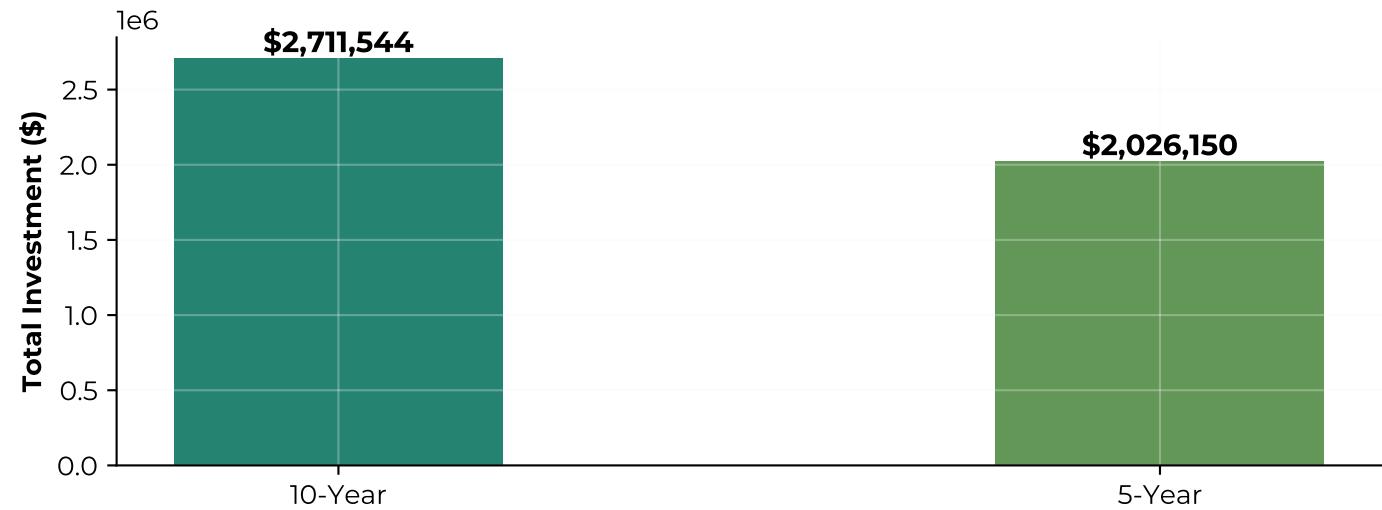
- 10-Year Period (2015-2024): 77 unique projects, \$2,711,544 invested
- 5-Year Period (2020-2024): 47 unique projects, \$2,026,150 invested

The data includes student training, institutional reach, and follow-on funding secured through the leverage of IWRC seed funding.

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Investment Analysis

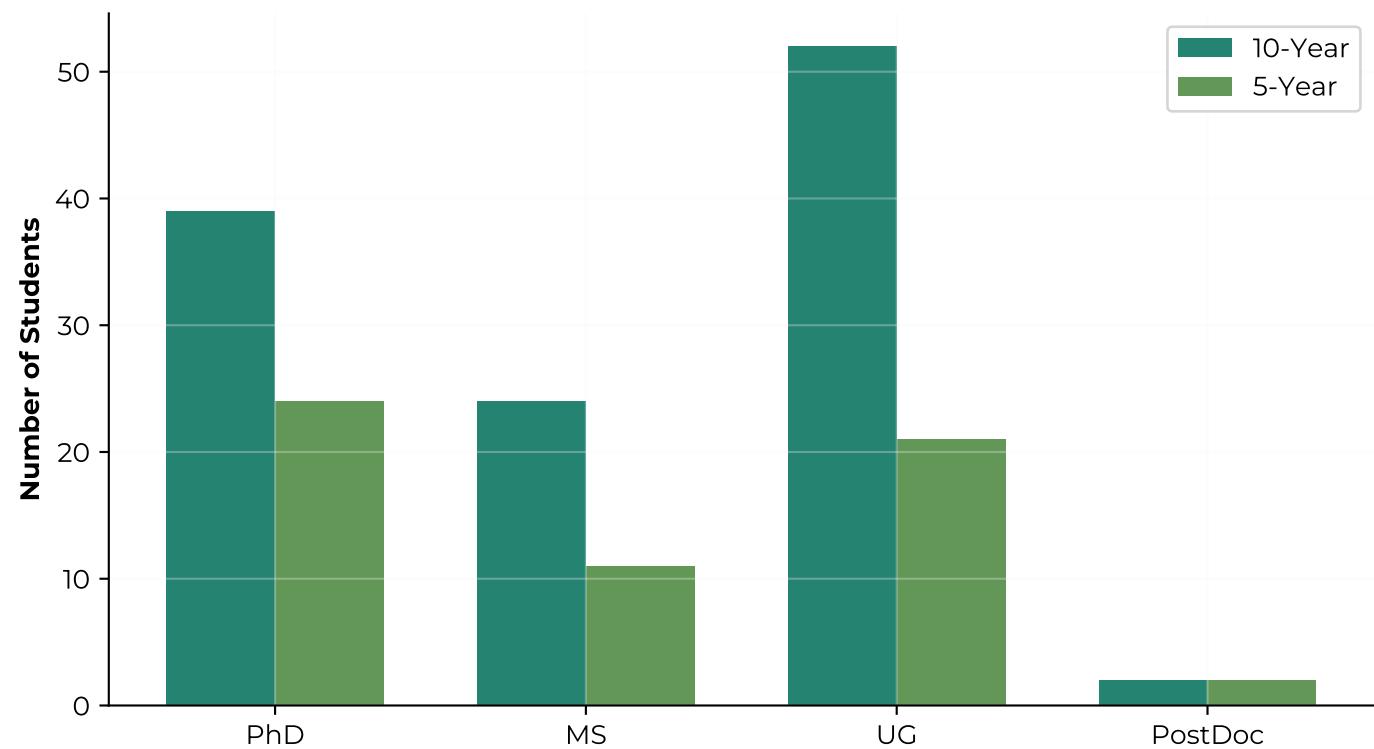


INVESTMENT STATISTICS

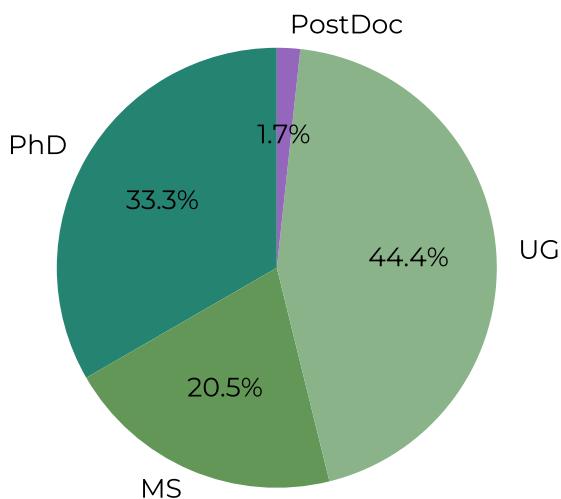
10-Year (2015-2024):
Total Investment: \$2,711,544
Projects: 77
Avg per Project: \$35,215

5-Year (2020-2024):
Total Investment: \$2,026,150
Projects: 47
Avg per Project: \$43,110

Students Trained & Institutional Reach



**10-Year Distribution
117 total**



INSTITUTIONAL REACH

- 10-Year Period:
12 institutions served
- 5-Year Period:
7 institutions served
- Geographic Coverage:
All regions of Illinois

Return on Investment Summary

RETURN ON INVESTMENT (ROI) ANALYSIS

10-Year Period (2015-2024):

IWRC Investment:	\$ 2,711,544
Follow-on Funding:	\$ 275,195
ROI Multiplier:	0.10x

Interpretation: For every \$1 IWRC invested, researchers secured
\$0.10 in follow-on funding

5-Year Period (2020-2024):

IWRC Investment:	\$ 2,026,150
Follow-on Funding:	\$ 261,000
ROI Multiplier:	0.13x

Interpretation: For every \$1 IWRC invested, researchers secured
\$0.13 in follow-on funding

KEY INSIGHTS:

- IWRC seed funding demonstrates strong leverage of additional research dollars
- Follow-on funding secured through use of IWRC preliminary data
- Researchers use IWRC funding as foundation for larger federal grants
- Students gain valuable research experience across multiple institutions