

UVU PEOPLE  
& CULTURE

# ANNUAL REPORT 2024





## MESSAGE FROM UVU'S VICE PRESIDENT OF PEOPLE AND CULTURE

Utah Valley University is a place for employees. Full-time, part-time, faculty, or staff, every member of our campus community is welcome for who they are. Reflecting on the past year, I am proud and grateful for the progress we've made in building a vibrant, inclusive, and supportive community at UVU.

While this report contains numerical data and statistics, we are committed to the principle that “behind every number is a person” (António Guterres). Our objective is to recruit and retain a diverse team composed of the most talented individuals at UVU. This annual report for the UVU Board of Trustees summarizes key data about the UVU workforce, comparing IPEDS information and CUPA peer groups. It primarily covers full-time, benefits-eligible UVU employees, but also includes summary data for part-time and student employees.

The five-year comparison detailed in this report highlights significant increases attributable to the COVID-19 decline in 2020. UVU moved to the third-largest employer among the top 20 employers in Utah County and ranks as the 17th-largest employer in Utah. The total employee headcount stands at 6,070, reflecting a 19.91% increase compared to 2020 and the most employees we have had to date. Overall salaries have risen by 18% since 2020. Although there was a slight increase in medical plan premiums in 2024, we successfully maintained a \$0 premium on our PVC High-Deductible Health Plan.

As we look ahead, I am confident that our ongoing focus on people and culture will drive us to new heights. Together, we will continue to build a more inclusive, supportive, and thriving university community by emphasizing exceptional care, exceptional accountability, and exceptional results.

**Marilyn Meyer**  
VICE PRESIDENT OF PEOPLE AND CULTURE  
UTAH VALLEY UNIVERSITY



# AWARDS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

UVU is the **THIRD-LARGEST EMPLOYER** in Utah County and the 17th-largest employer in Utah.

<https://jobs.utah.gov/wi/data/library/firm/majoremployers.html>

For the ninth year in a row, UVUFit, UVU's employee wellness program, was awarded the **HEALTHY WORKSITE AWARD** by the Utah Worksite Wellness Council.

**HIRING TOOLKIT:** An intensive start-to-finish guide to filling a position was published.

UVU's Office of Inclusion and Diversity was restructured and rebranded to the Office of Institutional Engagement and Effectiveness. Student Affairs restructured several departments to provide services to all students. This helped us align with the passage of **HB 261** by the Utah Legislature.

# EMPLOYEE COMPOSITION

## EMPLOYEE HEADCOUNT IPEDS DATA 2024



**6,070**  
total employees



**19.9%**  
increase from 2020

2020 numbers were lower due to COVID-19, resulting in a higher five-year growth rate.



### Full-time staff

↑ 12% increase from 2020

2024: 1,566    2020: 1,401

### Part-time staff

↑ 7% increase from 2020

2024: 791    2020: 742

### Full-time faculty

↑ 7% increase from 2020

2024: 809    2020: 753

### Part-time faculty

↑ 29% increase from 2020

2024: 1,260    2020: 974

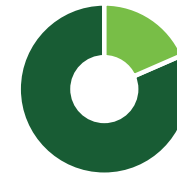
### Student employees

↑ 38% increase from 2020

2024: 1,644    2020: 1,192

# EMPLOYEE DEMOGRAPHICS

## RACE AND ETHNICITY RATIO 2024



**80%** **white**  
(4,860 employees)

**20%** **non-white**  
(1,210 employees)

White: **80%**  
Hispanic/Latino/Latina: **8%**  
Other races/ethnicities: **8%**  
Asian: **2%**  
Unknown: **2%**

## GENDER RATIO 2024



**51%** **male**  
(3,120 employees)

**49%** **female**  
(2,948 employees)  
(Other: 2 employees)

## UTAH COUNTY COMPARISON

**78%**  
**white**

**21%**  
**non-white**

**49%**  
**female**



Population estimates, July 1, 2023, <https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/utahcountyutah/PST045224>

## IPEDS DATA: UVU FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES, STUDENTS, AND FULL-TIME FACULTY COMPARISON

All Full-Time Employees by Year		Students Fall Term		Full-Time Faculty by Year	
<b>2023</b>	White: _____ 82.11%	<b>2023</b>	White: _____ 76.98%	<b>2023</b>	White: _____ 80.27%
	Race/ethnicity unknown: _ 2.22%		Race/ethnicity unknown: _ 1.81%		Race/ethnicity unknown: _ 3.82%
	Hispanic or Latino: _____ 6.19%		Hispanic or Latino: _____ 12.51%		Hispanic or Latino: _____ 3.33%
	Asian: _____ 2.99%		Asian: _____ 1.31%		Asian: _____ 6.29%
	All other races/ethnicities: 6.49%		All other races/ethnicities: 7.39%		All other races/ethnicities: 6.29%
<b>2019</b>	White: _____ 84.53%	<b>2019</b>	White: _____ 79.17%	<b>2019</b>	White: _____ 82.98%
	Race/ethnicity unknown: _ 2.71%		Race/ethnicity unknown: _ 0.92%		Race/ethnicity unknown: _ 3.46%
	Hispanic or Latino: _____ 4.86%		Hispanic or Latino: _____ 11.77%		Hispanic or Latino: _____ 3.59%
	Asian: _____ 2.66%		Asian: _____ 1.33%		Asian: _____ 4.79%
	All other races/ethnicities: 5.24%		All other races/ethnicities: 6.82%		All other races/ethnicities: 5.19%

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All Full-Time Employees by Year		Students Fall Term		Full-Time Faculty by Year	
<b>2023</b>	White: _____ 74.04%	<b>2023</b>	White: _____ 70.33%	<b>2023</b>	White: _____ 76.79%
	Race/ethnicity unknown: _ 4.79%		Race/ethnicity unknown: _ 4.01%		Race/ethnicity unknown: _ 4.48%
	Hispanic or Latino: _____ 7.69%		Hispanic or Latino: _____ 12.43%		Hispanic or Latino: _____ 4.84%
	Asian: _____ 5.48%		Asian: _____ 2.83%		Asian: _____ 7.99%
	All other races/ethnicities: _ 8.0%		All other races/ethnicities: 10.4%		All other races/ethnicities: 5.90%
<b>2019</b>	White: _____ 76.86%	<b>2019</b>	White: _____ 71.87%	<b>2019</b>	White: _____ 78.36%
	Race/ethnicity unknown: _ 5.69%		Race/ethnicity unknown: _ 4.04%		Race/ethnicity unknown: _ 6.54%
	Hispanic or Latino: _____ 6.06%		Hispanic or Latino: _____ 11.72%		Hispanic or Latino: _____ 3.79%
	Asian: _____ 4.90%		Asian: _____ 2.81%		Asian: _____ 6.69%
	All other races/ethnicities: 6.49%		All other races/ethnicities: 9.56%		All other races/ethnicities: 4.63%

Data compiled using the most recent information available from the College and University Professional Association (CUPA) and the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS).

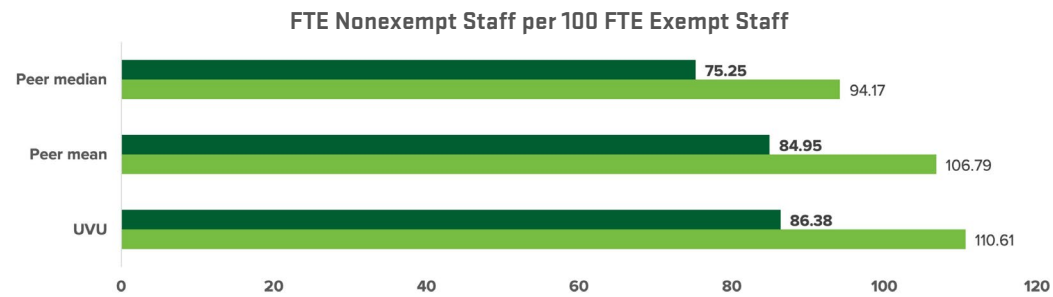
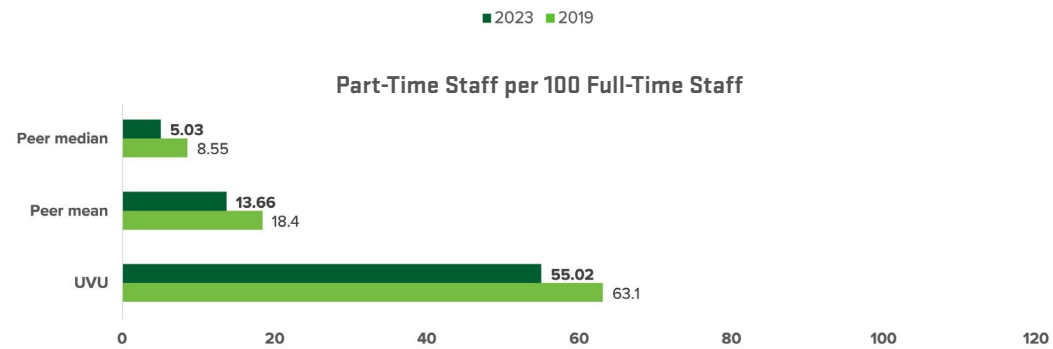
## CUPA HR COMPARISON GROUP DATA

FTE HR Staff per 100 FTE Staff	FTE HR Staff per 100 FTE Faculty	FTE HR Staff per 100 FTE Students
<b>2023</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2023</b>
Peer mean: _____ 1.91 (-23%)	Peer mean: _____ 3.17 (-17%)	Peer mean: _____ 0.21 (0%)
Peer median: _____ 1.65 (+4%)	Peer median: _____ 2.63 (+6%)	Peer median: _____ 0.16 (+7%)
UVU: _____ 1.95 (+47%)	UVU: _____ 2.65 (+33%)	UVU: _____ 0.13 (+63%)
<b>2019</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2019</b>
Peer mean: _____ 2.49	Peer mean: _____ 3.82	Peer mean: _____ 0.21
Peer median: _____ 1.58	Peer median: _____ 2.48	Peer median: _____ 0.15
UVU: _____ 1.33	UVU: _____ 2.00	UVU: _____ 0.08

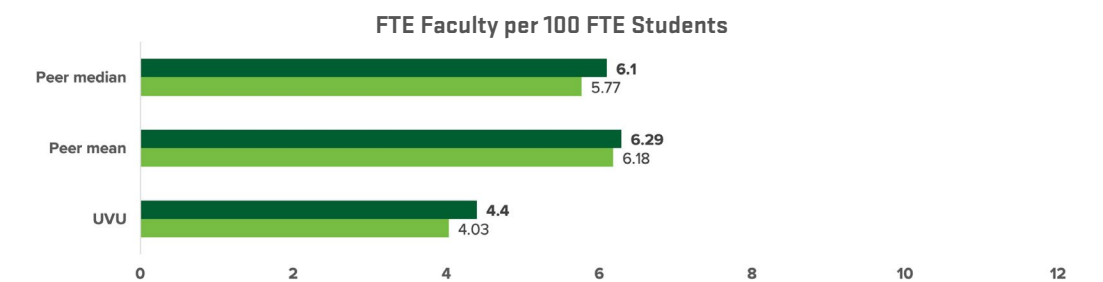
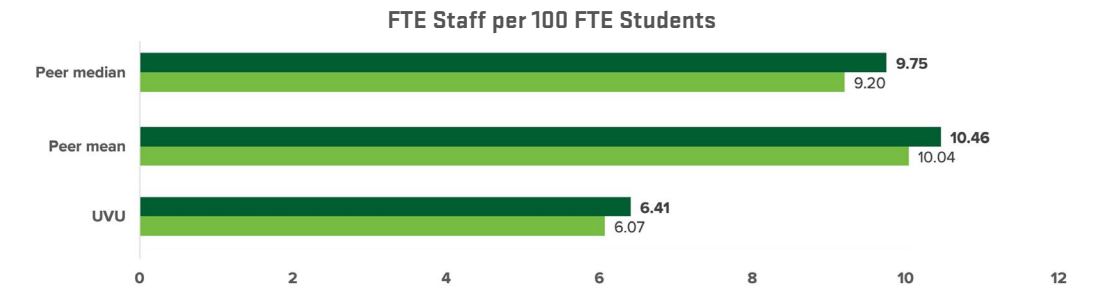
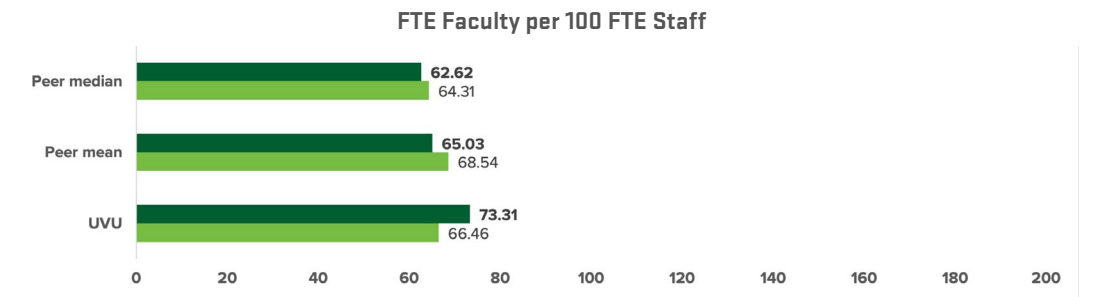
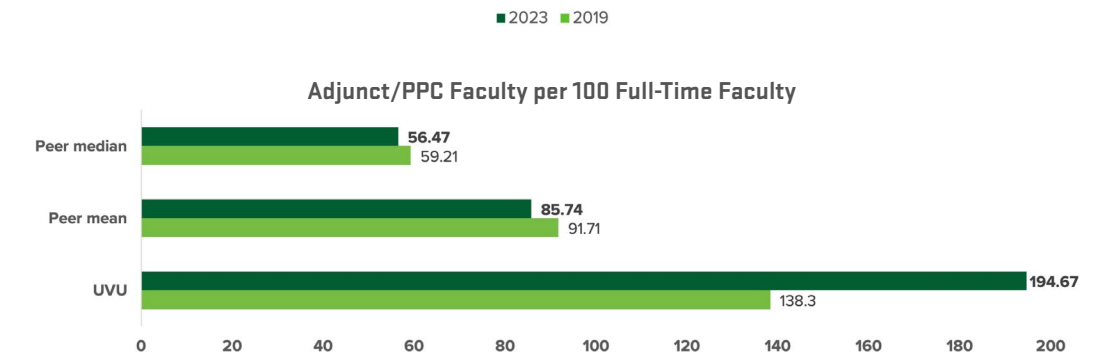
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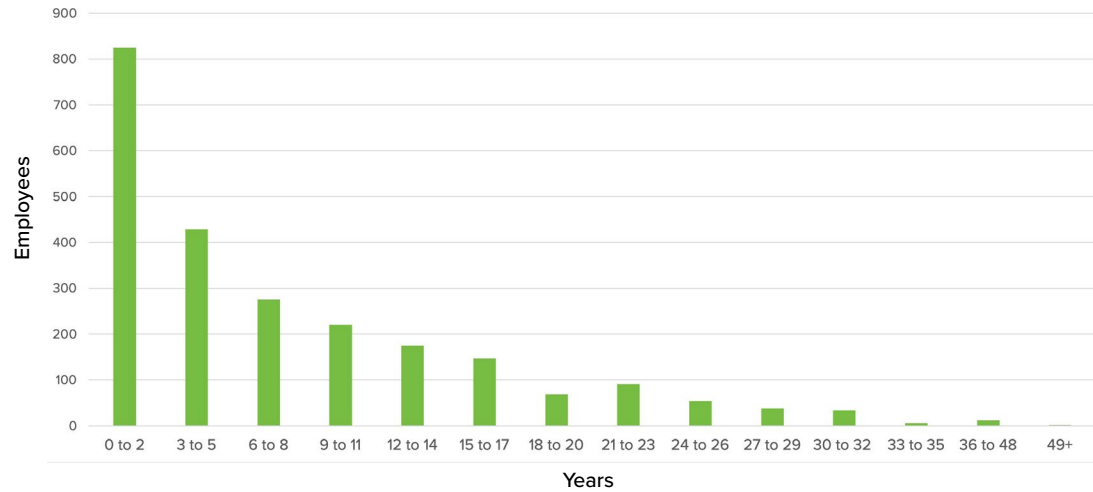
## CUPA STAFF RATIO COMPARISONS



## CUPA DATA COMPARISON TO PEER UNIVERSITIES



## FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES BY YEARS OF SERVICE



## FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE DISTRIBUTION BY CLASSIFICATION

COUNTY	EXECUTIVES	EXEMPT STAFF	FACULTY	NONEXEMPT STAFF
UTAH COUNTY	84.21%	84.43%	71.38%	93.01%
SALT LAKE COUNTY	13.16%	11.68%	24.91%	2.94%
OTHER	2.63%	3.89%	3.72%	4.04%

## FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION



**82%**  
Utah County

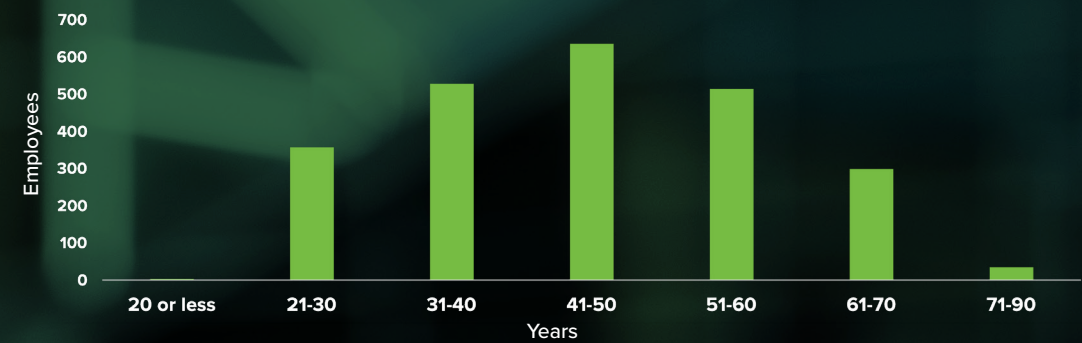
**14%**  
Salt Lake County

**4%**  
Other

## FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE AGE DISTRIBUTION BY CLASSIFICATION

AGE	EXECUTIVES	EXEMPT STAFF	FACULTY	NONEXEMPT STAFF
20 or less	0	0	0	4
21-30	0	161	10	187
31-40	1	245	178	105
41-50	16	261	248	111
51-60	14	199	213	89
61-70	6	100	136	57
71-90	0	9	24	2

## FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE AGE DISTRIBUTION



# COMPENSATION

## FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE MEDIAN SALARY BY CLASSIFICATION



### Average salary

↑ **18%** increase from 2020

2024: \$69,654    2020: \$57,314

#### Executives

↑ **22%** increase from 2020

2024: \$186,864    2020: \$144,830

#### Exempt Staff

↑ **18%** increase from 2020

2024: \$68,445    2020: \$55,950

#### Faculty

↑ **19%** increase from 2020

2024: \$88,058    2020: \$70,925

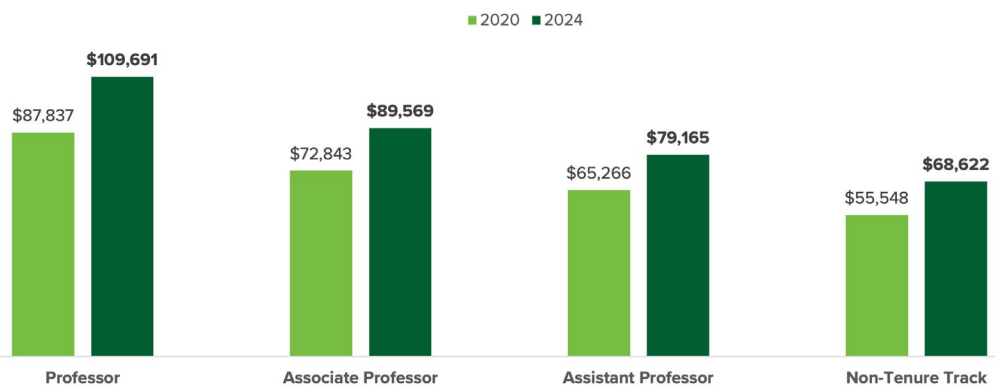
#### Nonexempt Staff

↑ **21%** increase from 2020

2024: \$47,075    2020: \$37,363

Salaries as of July 1, 2024

## FULL-TIME FACULTY MEDIAN SALARY BY RANK





# TERMINATION

## TERMINATION RATIOS 2024

### Full-time employee

2024: 12.4%

2020: 10.1%

### Faculty

2024: 7.5%

2020: 7.73%

### Staff

2024: 14.73%

2020: 11.28%

## VOLUNTARY VS INVOLUNTARY TERMINATIONS



**84% voluntary**  
(245 employees)

**16% involuntary**  
(48 employees)

## REASON FOR TERMINATION

REASON OF TERMINATION	STAFF	FACULTY
Accepted other employment	43.81%	23.33%
Personal (work-life, personal, moving)	23.45%	21.67%
Regular retirement	7.08%	16.67%
End of temporary assignment/contract	1.33%	10%
Attend school full time	1.33%	0%
Released for cause	3.10%	1.67%

## GENDER RATIO

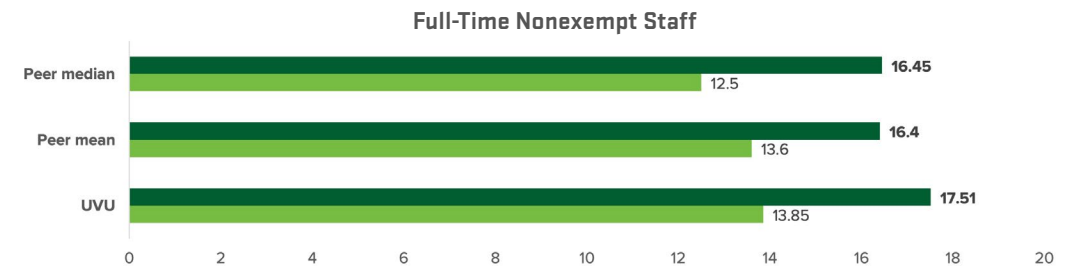
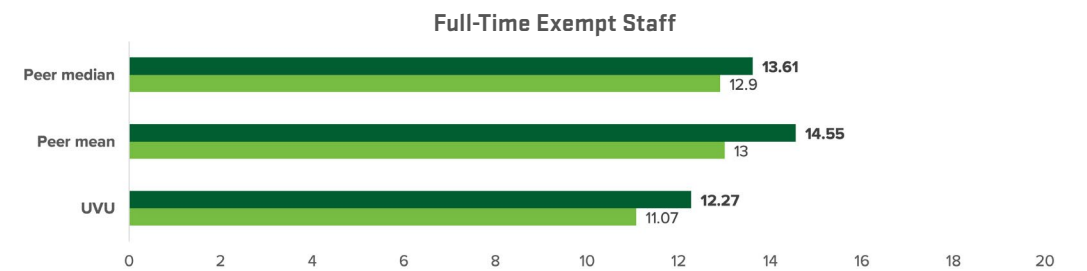
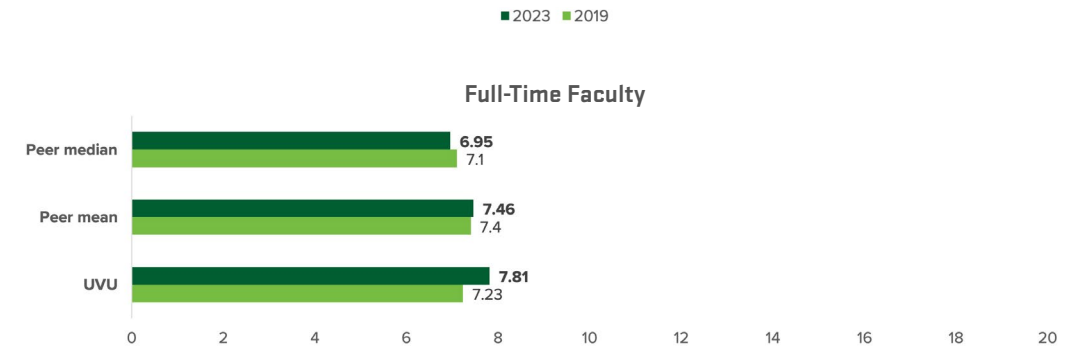


**53% men**



**47% women**

## CUPA COMPARISON: NUMBER OF TERMINATIONS/NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

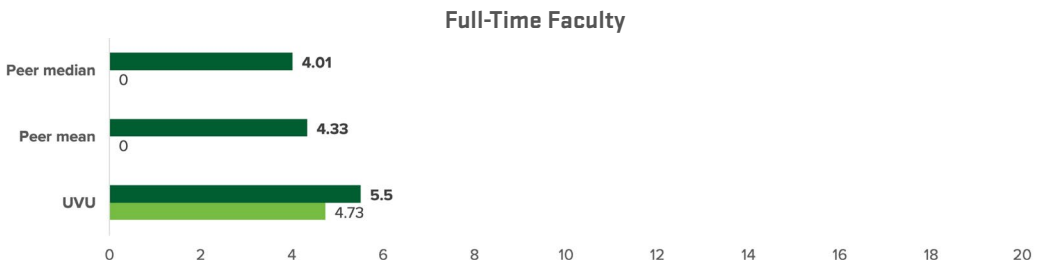
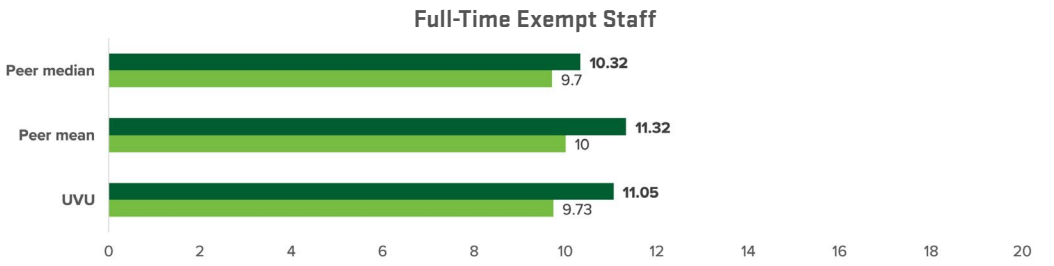
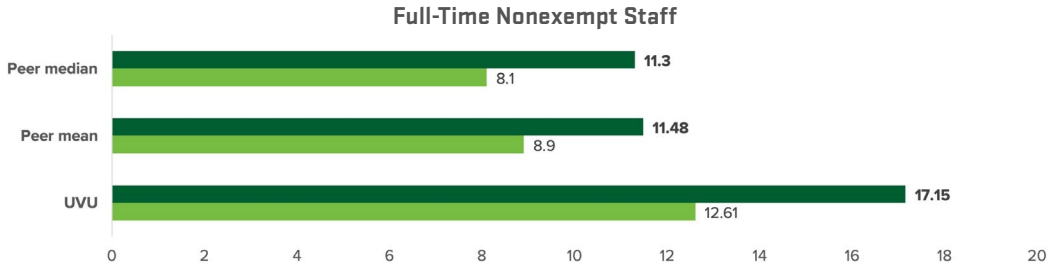


# CUPA DATA COMPARISON: ANNUAL VOLUNTARY AND INVOLUNTARY TURNOVER RATES

## Annual voluntary turnover rates

(Number of voluntary terminations not due to retirement/number of employees)

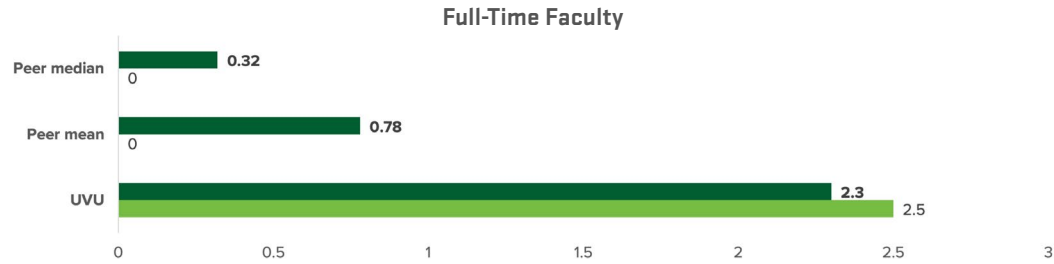
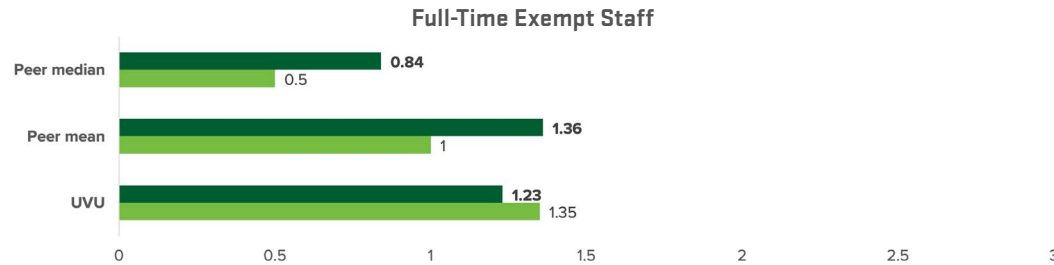
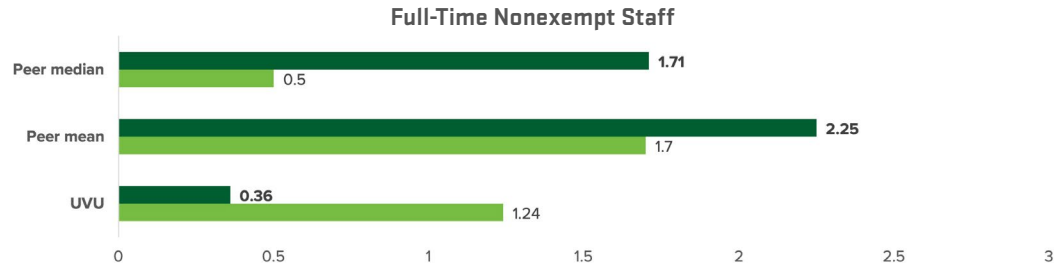
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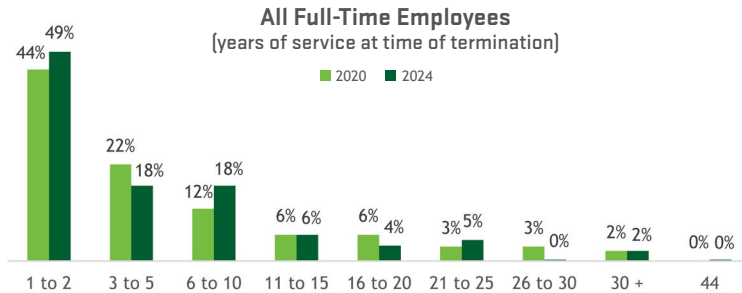
## Annual involuntary turnover rates

(Number of involuntary terminations/number of employees)

■ 2023 ■ 2019



**5.79**  
average years  
of service  
for full-time  
employees at the  
time of termination



# BENEFITS

At UVU, we are committed to delivering exceptional care in academics and to our valued employees. We take pride in offering a benefits package tailored to our workforce's diverse needs.

## MEDICAL PLANS

Although plan premiums saw minimal increases, the university still maintained the Preferred ValueCare (PVC) High-Deductible Health Plan with a \$0 premium.



**90%** of benefits-eligible employees are enrolled in one of UVU's medical plans.



**53%**  
in the Traditional Health Plan

**47%**

in the High-Deductible Health Plan (HDHP)  
reflecting a 2% increase in HDHP enrollment compared to last year

Coverage tier distribution remains largely consistent with last year:

**Individual coverage:**  
32% (31% in 2023)

**Two-party coverage:**  
21% (21% in 2023)

**Family coverage:**  
47% (48% in 2023)



**63%**  
have selected the Participating (PAR) Network, providing access to a larger network of hospitals and providers.



## COVERAGE CHANGES

Regence BlueCross BlueShield was chosen through the RFP process to continue administering UVU's medical plan and to oversee pharmacy and dental plan administration. In addition, EyeMed Vision Care was selected to replace UHC Vision as UVU's supplemental vision provider.

UVU also updated administrative vendor partnerships, as outlined below:

- **Omada Health:** Diabetes and hypertension management program for individuals with type 1 or type 2 diabetes and/or hypertension.
- **ComPsych EAP:** Employee Assistance Program offering up to eight (8) free counseling sessions per new event (for each household member), along with additional lifestyle and well-being services.
- **Amazon MedsYourWay:** Mail-order home delivery service for maintenance and preventive prescriptions.
- **BenefitHub:** Employee discount program offering local and nationwide discounts.



## UVUFIT

UVU's award-winning employee wellness program, UVUFit, supports employees in improving their health and maintaining a healthier lifestyle and well-being.

In 2024, of the 2,137 employees enrolled in UVU benefits, 675 (an increase from 632 last year) completed health assessments through Regence's wellness platform, Empower, which identified the **top three health disparities from the completed surveys:**

**weight management**  
**71%**

**cholesterol**  
**66%**

**nutrition**  
**46%**

To help reduce these numbers, UVUFit offers program participants a variety of activities, challenges, and webinars to choose from.



**UVUFIT**  
Employee Wellness Incentive Program

# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



**2,385** employees participated  
in professional development through People & Culture

## COST PER EMPLOYEE

**\$139.83**  
average spent per employee  
(8.6% increase from 2023)

**\$333,503**  
total spent for all employees

Includes the cost of LinkedIn Learning, UVU Learn, UVU Develop, UVU Lead, CCW, People and Culture trainings, Summer University, and UVSELF.

## GENDER RATIO

**41%**  
men

**59%**  
women

# HIRING



**55** average days to fill a position  
ranging from 40-90 days, a 14% decrease from 2023

# RETENTION



**8.14** average years of service  
for full-time employees, with an average of 4.73 years in a position for full-time employees

## AVERAGE YEARS OF SERVICE

**women**  
7.31 years

**men**  
8.9 years

**white**  
8.45 years

**non-white**  
6.94 years

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