NSSE 2013
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University of Washington-Seattle

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Interpreting Your Report

Customized Comparison Groups

The NSSE *Institutional Report* displays core survey results for your students alongside those of three comparison groups. In June, your institution was invited to customize these groups via the "Report Form" on the Institution Interface. This report summarizes how your comparison groups were selected and lists the institutions within them.

NSSE comparison groups may be customized by (a) identifying specific institutions from the list of all current-year participants, (b) composing the group by selecting institutional characteristics, or (c) a combination of these. Institutions that choose not to customize receive default groups[a] that provide relevant comparisons for most institutions.

Institutions that appended additional question sets in the form of topical modules or through consortium participation were also invited to customize comparison groups for the corresponding reports by choosing from the institutions where the question sets were administered. The default for these groups is all other institutions where the questions were included. Please note: Comparison groups for additional question sets (topical modules and consortium questions) are documented within those reports.

Report Comparisons

Comparison groups are located in the institutional reports as illustrated in the mock report at right. The three groups are "Public Research Univ," "Large Public," and "NSSE 2013."

Your Students' Responses | **Comparison Group 1** | **Comparison Group 2** | **Comparison Group 3**

First-Year Students

Frequency Distributions[a]

Item wording or description	Variable name [c]	Values [d]	Response options	NSSEville State Count	%	Public Research Univ Count	%	Large Public Count	%	NSSE 2013 Count	%
1. During the current school year, about how often have you done the following?											
a. Asked questions or contributed to course discussions in other ways	askquest	1	Never	13	3	234	2	1,029	3	3,632	3
		2	Sometimes	151	33	4,325	30	1,8 8	33	41,152	34
		3	Often	150	36	5,1	35	3,705	35	41,523	34
		4	Very often	120	28	4,855	33	11,448	29	34,678	29
			Total	434	100	14,551	100	39,080	100	120,985	100

Reading This Report

This report consists of three sections that provide details for each of your comparison groups, illustrated at right.

Comparison Group Name
The name assigned to the comparison group is listed here.

How Group was Selected
Indicates whether your group was drawn from a list, built based on criteria, or is the default group. If institutional characteristics were used to build your comparison group, they are listed here.

Institution List
The names, cities and states or provinces of the comparison institutions are listed for your reference.

Comparison Group 1: Public Research Univ
This section summarizes how this group was identified, including selection criteria and whether the default group was used. This is followed by the resulting list of institutions in this group.

Date submitted	7/2/13
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution customized this group by selecting institutional characteristics as follows: Sector (Pub); Basic Classification (RU/VH, RU/H)
Group description	No description provided

'Public Research Univ' institutions (N=57)

Auburn University (Auburn University, AL)
Bowling Green State University (Bowling Green, OH)
Clemson University (Clemson, SC)
College of William & Mary (Williamsburg, VA)
Colorado School of Mines (Golden, CO)
Florida Atlantic University (Boca Raton, FL)
Iowa State University (Ames, IA)
Kansas State University (Manhattan, KS)

University of Montana (Missoula, MT)
University of Nebraska at Lincoln (Lincoln, NE)
University of Nevada, Reno (Reno, NV)
University of New Hampshire (Durham, NH)
University of North Dakota (Grand Forks, ND)
University of North Texas (Denton, TX)
University of Oklahoma (Norman, OK)
University of Rhode Island (Kingston, RI)

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a. The default groups are:

Comparison Group 1 - For institutions not in a NSSE consortium, this group contains current-year institutions in the same geographic region and sector (public/private). For consortium institutions, it contains results for the other consortium members.

Comparison Group 2 - All other current-year U.S. NSSE institutions sharing your institution's Basic Carnegie Classification. (Canadian institutions are not classified by the Carnegie Foundation, and must identify a comparison group.)

Comparison Group 3 - All other current-year U.S. NSSE institutions (Canadian participants are also included in this group for Canadian institutions).

Comparison Group 1: AAUDE

This section summarizes how this group was identified, including selection criteria and whether the default group was used. This is followed by the resulting list of institutions in this group.

Date submitted	7/1/13
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution retained the default comparison group (NSSE consortium). Your default group is: Association of American Universities Data Exchange
Group description	Default comparison group

'AAUDE' institutions (N=7)

Iowa State University (Ames, IA)

Michigan State University (East Lansing, MI)

Ohio State University, The (Columbus, OH)

Tulane University of Louisiana (New Orleans, LA)

University of Colorado Boulder (Boulder, CO)

University of Kansas (Lawrence, KS)

University of Nebraska at Lincoln (Lincoln, NE)

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Comparison Group 2: Carnegie Class

This section summarizes how this group was identified, including selection criteria and whether the default group was used. This is followed by the resulting list of institutions in this group.

Date submitted	7/1/13
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution retained the default comparison group (Carnegie Classification). Your default group is: Basic Classification (RU/VH)
Group description	Default comparison group

'Carnegie Class' institutions (N=21)

Carnegie Mellon University (Pittsburgh, PA)

Iowa State University (Ames, IA)

Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College (Baton Rouge, LA)

Michigan State University (East Lansing, MI)

Mississippi State University (Mississippi State, MS)

North Dakota State University (Fargo, ND)

Ohio State University, The (Columbus, OH)

Oregon State University (Corvallis, OR)

Tulane University of Louisiana (New Orleans, LA)

University of Alabama in Huntsville (Huntsville, AL)

University of Arkansas (Fayetteville, AR)

University of Cincinnati (Cincinnati, OH)

University of Colorado Boulder (Boulder, CO)

University of Connecticut (Storrs, CT)

University of Houston (Houston, TX)

University of Kansas (Lawrence, KS)

University of Nebraska at Lincoln (Lincoln, NE)

University of Oklahoma (Norman, OK)

University of South Carolina Columbia (Columbia, SC)

University of South Florida (Tampa, FL)

University of Utah (Salt Lake City, UT)

Comparison Group 3: Similar UG Profile

This section summarizes how this group was identified, including selection criteria and whether the default group was used. This is followed by the resulting list of institutions in this group.

Date submitted	6/25/13
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution customized this group by selecting institutional characteristics and then adding or removing institutions from the resulting list. Selected characteristics included: Locale (Urban); Sector (Pub); UG Enrollment 10-20K, >20K); UG Profile (FT 4yr/MoreSel/LowTrans, FT 4yr/MoreSel/HiTrans); Size & Setting (L 4yr nonresid, L 4yr resid)
Group description	Large, public universities located in cities. At least 80% of undergraduate are enrolled full-time. Carnegie analysis of first-year students' test scores places these institutions in roughly the top fifth of baccalaureate institutions.

'Similar UG Profile' institutions (N=6)

Auburn University (Auburn University, AL)

Ohio State University, The (Columbus, OH)

University of Cincinnati (Cincinnati, OH)

University of Colorado Boulder (Boulder, CO)

University of Kansas (Lawrence, KS)

University of Nebraska at Lincoln (Lincoln, NE)