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NSSE 2016
Selected Comparison Groups

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About This Report

Comparison Groups

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

NSSE comparison groups may be customized by (a) identifying specific institutions from the list of all 2015 and 2016 NSSE participants, (b) composing the group by selecting institutional characteristics, or (c) a combination of these. Institutions that chose not to customize received 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 those reports. The default for those groups was all other 2015 and 2016 institutions where the questions were administered. Please note: Comparison group details for topical module and consortium reports are documented separately in those reports.

Report Comparisons

Comparison groups are located in the institutional reports as illustrated in the mock report at right. In this example, the three groups are "GLC Peers," "Carnegie Peers," and "NSSE 2015 & 2016."

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

First-Year Students

Frequency Distributions

				NSSEville State		GLC Peers		Carnegie Peers		NSSE 2015 & 2016	
Item wording or description	*Variable name*[c]	*Values*[d]	*Response options*	*Count*	*%*	*Count*	*%*	*Count*	*%*	*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	45	4	1,462	5	[illegible]	5	3,978	3
		2	Sometimes	450	37	[illegible]	[illegible]	6,910	40	43,752	33
		3	Often	428	34	[illegible]	34	5,911	34	47,737	35
		4	Very often	307	25	7,173	22	3,759	21	39,041	28
			Total	1,230	100	33,087	100	17,396	100	134,508	100

SAMPLE

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 Constructed
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. NSSE 2015 participants are identified with an asterisk.

Comparison Group 2: Carnegie Peers

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	5/13/16
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution customized this group by selecting institutional characteristics as follows: Basic Classification (Master's L); Sector (Pub)
Group description (as provided by your institution)	All public 2015 and 2016 participants with a Carnegie Basic Classification of Master's Large.

SAMPLE

Carnegie Peers (N=108)

Adams State University (Alamosa, CO)
Alabama A&M University (Normal, AL)
Angelo State University (San Angelo, TX)
Appalachian State University (Boone, NC)*
Auburn University at Montgomery (Montgomery, AL)
Austin Peay State University (Clarksville, TN)
Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania (Bloomsburg, PA)
California State University-Bakersfield (Bakersfield, CA)
Indiana University Southeast (New Albany, IN)*
Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne (Fort Wayne, IN)*
Jacksonville State University (Jacksonville, AL)
Kean University (Union, NJ)*
Kutztown University of Pennsylvania (Kutztown, PA)*
Marshall University (Huntington, WV)
McNeese State University (Lake Charles, LA)
Metropolitan State University (Saint Paul, MN)*

a. The default groups are:

Comparison Group 1: For institutions not in a NSSE consortium, this group contains 2015 and 2016 NSSE institutions in the same geographic region and sector (public/private). For consortium institutions, it contains results for the other 2015 (if applicable) and 2016 consortium members.

Comparison Group 2: All other 2015 and 2016 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 2015 and 2016 U.S. NSSE institutions (2015 and 2016 Canadian participants are also included in this group for Canadian institutions).

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Comparison Group 1: New England Public

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	Not applicable; comparison group not customized.
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution did not customize this comparison group; the default group (region and sector) was used. Your default group is: Region (NE); Sector (Pub)
Group description (as provided by your institution)	Default comparison group

New England Public (N=20)

Central Connecticut State University (New Britain, CT)*
Eastern Connecticut State University (Willimantic, CT)
Fitchburg State University (Fitchburg, MA)*
Framingham State University (Framingham, MA)
Keene State College (Keene, NH)
Lyndon State College (Lyndonville, VT)*
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts (North Adams, MA)*
Plymouth State University (Plymouth, NH)*
Rhode Island College (Providence, RI)*
Salem State University (Salem, MA)
Southern Connecticut State University (New Haven, CT)*
University of Connecticut (Storrs, CT)
University of Maine at Presque Isle (Presque Isle, ME)
University of Massachusetts Boston (Boston, MA)*
University of Massachusetts Lowell (Lowell, MA)
University of New Hampshire (Durham, NH)
University of Southern Maine (Portland, ME)
University of Vermont (Burlington, VT)*
Western Connecticut State University (Danbury, CT)*
Westfield State University (Westfield, MA)

*2015 participant

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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	Not applicable; comparison group not customized.
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution did not customize this comparison group; the default group (Carnegie Classification) was used. Your default group is: Basic Classification (Doc/Higher)
Group description (as provided by your institution)	Default comparison group

Carnegie Class (N=70)

American University (Washington, DC)
Auburn University (Auburn University, AL)
Augusta University (Augusta, GA)
Ball State University (Muncie, IN)*
Binghamton University (State University of New York) (Binghamton, NY)
Bowling Green State University (Bowling Green, OH)
Brigham Young University (Provo, UT)
Catholic University of America, The (Washington, DC)
Central Michigan University (Mount Pleasant, MI)*
Cleveland State University (Cleveland, OH)*
Colorado School of Mines (Golden, CO)*
East Carolina University (Greenville, NC)*
Florida Institute of Technology (Melbourne, FL)
Howard University (Washington, DC)*
Illinois Institute of Technology (Chicago, IL)
Illinois State University (Normal, IL)
Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (Indianapolis, IN)*
Jackson State University (Jackson, MS)*
Lehigh University (Bethlehem, PA)*
Loyola University Chicago (Chicago, IL)
Marquette University (Milwaukee, WI)
Miami University-Oxford (Oxford, OH)*
Michigan Technological University (Houghton, MI)*
Mississippi State University (Mississippi State, MS)
Missouri University of Science & Technology (Rolla, MO)
New Jersey Institute of Technology (Newark, NJ)
New School, The (New York, NY)
North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University (Greensboro, NC)
Northern Arizona University (Flagstaff, AZ)*
Northern Illinois University (Dekalb, IL)*
Oklahoma State University (Stillwater, OK)*
Old Dominion University (Norfolk, VA)
Rutgers University-Newark (Newark, NJ)*
San Diego State University (San Diego, CA)*
South Dakota State University (Brookings, SD)
Texas A&M University - Commerce (Commerce, TX)
Texas Christian University (Fort Worth, TX)
Texas State University (San Marcos, TX)
University of Akron (Akron, OH)*
University of Alabama in Huntsville (Huntsville, AL)
University of Alaska Fairbanks (Fairbanks, AK)
University of California-Merced (Merced, CA)*
University of Colorado Denver (Denver, CO)
University of Dayton (Dayton, OH)
University of Denver (Denver, CO)
University of Idaho (Moscow, ID)*
University of Louisiana at Lafayette (Lafayette, LA)
University of Massachusetts Boston (Boston, MA)*
University of Massachusetts Lowell (Lowell, MA)
University of Memphis (Memphis, TN)
University of Missouri-Kansas City (Kansas City, MO)
University of Missouri-St. Louis (Saint Louis, MO)*
University of Montana (Missoula, MT)
University of Nevada-Las Vegas (Las Vegas, NV)*
University of New Hampshire (Durham, NH)
University of North Carolina at Charlotte (Charlotte, NC)
University of North Carolina at Greensboro, The (Greensboro, NC)
University of North Dakota (Grand Forks, ND)*
University of Puerto Rico-Rio Piedras Campus (Rio Piedras, PR)*
University of South Alabama (Mobile, AL)
University of South Dakota (Vermillion, SD)
University of Southern Mississippi (Hattiesburg, MS)
University of Texas at El Paso, The (El Paso, TX)
University of Texas at San Antonio, The (San Antonio, TX)
University of Toledo (Toledo, OH)*
University of Tulsa (Tulsa, OK)
University of Vermont (Burlington, VT)*
University of Wyoming (Laramie, WY)*
Wichita State University (Wichita, KS)*
Worcester Polytechnic Institute (Worcester, MA)

*2015 participant

Comparison Group 3: NSSE 2015 & 2016

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	Not applicable; comparison group not customized.
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution did not customize this comparison group; the default group (NSSE 2015 and 2016 U.S. institutions) was used.
Group description (as provided by your institution)	Default comparison group

NSSE 2015 & 2016 (N=865)

All other NSSE 2015 and 2016 U.S. participants

View list at nsse.indiana.edu/pdf/nsse2015and2016_list.pdf

*2015 participant