NSSE 2013
Selected Comparison Groups

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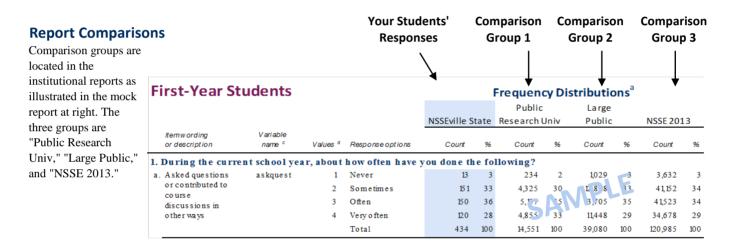
Customized Comparison Groups

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	5,7	5	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

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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

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'Public Research Univ' institutions (N=57)

Auburn University (Auburn University, AL)	University of Montana (Missoula, MT)
Bowling Green State University (Bowling Green, OH)	University of Nebraska at Lincoln (Lincoln, NE)
Clemson University (Clemson, SC)	University of Nevada, Reno (Reno, NV)
College of William & Mary (Williamsburg, VA)	University of New Hampshire (Durham, NH)
Colorado School of Mines (Golden, CO)	University of North Dakota (Grand Forks, ND)
Florida Atlantic University (Boca Raton, FL)	University of North Texas (Denton, TX)
Iowa State University (Ames, IA)	University of Oklahoma (Norman, OK)
Kansas State University (Manhattan, KS)	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: Great Lakes 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 (Gr Lakes); Sector (Pub)
Group description	Default comparison group

'Great Lakes Public' institutions (N=31)

Bowling Green State University (Bowling Green, OH)

Eastern Illinois University (Charleston, IL)

Eastern Michigan University (Ypsilanti, MI)

Illinois State University (Normal, IL)

Indiana State University (Terre Haute, IN)

Lake Superior State University (Sault Ste Marie, MI)

Miami University-Oxford (Oxford, OH)

Michigan State University (East Lansing, MI)

Northern Michigan University (Marquette, MI)

Oakland University (Rochester Hills, MI)

Ohio State University at Newark, The (Newark, OH)

Ohio State University-Lima Campus (Lima, OH)

Ohio State University-Mansfield Campus (Mansfield, OH)

Ohio State University-Marion Campus (Marion, OH)

Ohio State University, The (Columbus, OH)

Purdue University-Calumet Campus (Hammond, IN)

Shawnee State University (Portsmouth, OH)

Southern Illinois Univ Edwardsville (Edwardsville, IL)

Southern Illinois University Carbondale (Carbondale, IL)

University of Akron (Akron, OH)

University of Cincinnati (Cincinnati, OH)

University of Michigan-Flint (Flint, MI)

University of Southern Indiana (Evansville, IN)

University of Toledo (Toledo, OH)

University of Wisconsin-Platteville (Platteville, WI)

University of Wisconsin-River Falls (River Falls, WI)

University of Wisconsin-Whitewater (Whitewater, WI)

Western Illinois University (Macomb, IL)

Western Michigan University (Kalamazoo, MI)

Wright State University (Dayton, OH)

Youngstown State University (Youngstown, OH)

Comparison Group 2: Public Masters L

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	6/24/13
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution customized this group by selecting institutional characteristics as follows: Sector (Pub); Basic Classification (Master's L)
Group description	Public Masters L

'Public Masters L' institutions (N=70)

Alabama State University (Montgomery, AL)	Purdue University-Calumet Campus (Hammond, IN)
Armstrong Atlantic State University (Savannah, GA)	Rhode Island College (Providence, RI)
Auburn University at Montgomery (Montgomery, AL)	Rowan University (Glassboro, NJ)
Austin Peay State University (Clarksville, TN)	Salem State University (Salem, MA)
Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania (Bloomsburg, PA)	Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania (Shippensburg, PA)
California State University-Bakersfield (Bakersfield, CA)	Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania (Slippery Rock, PA)
California State University, Northridge (Northridge, CA)	Southern Connecticut State University (New Haven, CT)
California State University, San Bernardino (San Bernardino, CA)	Southern Illinois Univ Edwardsville (Edwardsville, IL)
California University of Pennsylvania (California, PA)	Southern Utah University (Cedar City, UT)
Central Connecticut State University (New Britain, CT)	St. Cloud State University (St Cloud, MN)
Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina, The (Charleston, SC)	State University of New York at Potsdam, The (Potsdam, NY)
Clarion University of Pennsylvania (Clarion, PA)	Stephen F. Austin State University (Nacogdoches, TX)
CUNY Herbert H. Lehman College (Bronx, NY)	Tarleton State University (Stephenville, TX)
East Central University (Ada, OK)	Texas A&M International University (Laredo, TX)
East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania (East Stroudsburg, PA)	Texas A&M University - Texarkana (Texarkana, TX)
Eastern Illinois University (Charleston, IL)	Texas State University (San Marcos, TX)
Eastern Kentucky University (Richmond, KY)	University of Central Missouri (Warrensburg, MO)
Eastern Michigan University (Ypsilanti, MI)	University of Colorado Colorado Springs (Colorado Springs, CO)
Edinboro University of Pennsylvania (Edinboro, PA)	University of Houston-Clear Lake (Houston, TX)
Emporia State University (Emporia, KS)	University of Houston-Victoria (Victoria, TX)
Florida Gulf Coast University (Fort Myers, FL)	University of Michigan-Flint (Flint, MI)
Framingham State University (Framingham, MA)	University of Nebraska at Kearney (Kearney, NE)
Kean University (Union, NJ)	University of North Carolina Wilmington (Wilmington, NC)
Kutztown University of Pennsylvania (Kutztown, PA)	University of Northern Iowa (Cedar Falls, IA)
Lincoln University, The (Lincoln University, PA)	University of Southern Indiana (Evansville, IN)
Marshall University (Huntington, WV)	University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, The (Chattanooga, TN)
Millersville University of Pennsylvania (Millersville, PA)	University of Texas at Tyler, The (Tyler, TX)
Minnesota State University-Mankato (Mankato, MN)	University of Texas-Pan American, The (Edinburg, TX)
New Jersey City University (Jersey City, NJ)	University of West Georgia (Carrollton, GA)
Norfolk State University (Norfolk, VA)	University of Wisconsin-Platteville (Platteville, WI)
Northeastern State University (Tahlequah, OK)	University of Wisconsin-Whitewater (Whitewater, WI)
Peru State College (Peru, NE)	West Chester University of Pennsylvania (West Chester, PA)
Pittsburg State University (Pittsburg, KS)	West Texas A&M University (Canyon, TX)
Plymouth State University (Plymouth, NH)	Western Illinois University (Macomb, IL)
Prairie View A&M University (Prairie View, TX)	Youngstown State University (Youngstown, OH)

Comparison Group 3: Selected 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	6/24/13
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution customized this comparison group by selecting institutions from all NSSE 2013 participants.
Group description	Masters L; 10K+ enroll; grad6>50%; ACTC p75>=23; <=20% part-time OR standard peer

'Selected Peers' institutions (N=11)

Minnesota State University-Mankato (Mankato, MN)

Rowan University (Glassboro, NJ)

Southern Illinois Univ Edwardsville (Edwardsville, IL)

Texas State University (San Marcos, TX)

University of Nebraska at Omaha (Omaha, NE)

University of North Carolina Wilmington (Wilmington, NC)

University of Northern Iowa (Cedar Falls, IA)

University of Wisconsin-Whitewater (Whitewater, WI)

West Chester University of Pennsylvania (West Chester, PA)

Western Illinois University (Macomb, IL)

Youngstown State University (Youngstown, OH)