



NSSE 2016

Selected Comparison Groups

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Comparison Groups

The *Institutional Report* displays core survey results for our students alongside those of three comparison groups. This report summarizes how our comparison groups were constructed and lists the institutions within them.

Comparison groups were customized by (a) identifying specific institutions from the list of all 2015 and 2016 NSSE participants, (b) composing the group by selecting institutional characteristics, and (c) a combination of these.

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."

| Item wording or description | Variable name ^c | Values ^d | Response options | Frequency Distributions | | | | | | | | | |
|--|----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-----|-----------|-----|----------------|-----|------------------|-----|--|--|
| | | | | NSSEville State | | GLC Peers | | Carnegie Peers | | NSSE 2015 & 2016 | | | |
| | | | | 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 2 3 4 | Never Sometimes Often Very often | 45 | 4 | 1,462 | 5 | 860 | 5 | 3,978 | 3 | | |
| | | | | 450 | 37 | 13,011 | 39 | 6,910 | 40 | 43,752 | 33 | | |
| | | | | 428 | 34 | 13,331 | 34 | 5,911 | 34 | 47,737 | 35 | | |
| | | | | 307 | 25 | 7,173 | 22 | 3,759 | 21 | 39,041 | 28 | | |
| | | | | 1,230 | 100 | 33,087 | 100 | 17,396 | 100 | 134,508 | 100 | | |

Reading This Report

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

Comparison Group Name

The name assigned to the comparison group is listed here.

How Group was Constructed

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

Institution List

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

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| 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 I); Sector (Pub) |
| Group description (as provided by your institution) | All public 2015 and 2016 participants with a Carnegie Basic Classification of Master's Large. |

Carnegie Peers (N=108)

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

a. The groups are:

Comparison Group 1: COPLAC

Comparison Group 2: All other 2015 and 2016 U.S. NSSE institutions sharing our institution's Basic Carnegie Classification.

Comparison Group 3: All other 2015 and 2016 U.S. NSSE institutions

Comparison Group 1: COPLAC

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

COPLAC (N=21)

Eastern Connecticut State University (Willimantic, CT)
Evergreen State College, The (Olympia, WA)
Fort Lewis College (Durango, CO)
Henderson State University (Arkadelphia, AR)
Keene State College (Keene, NH)
Mansfield University of Pennsylvania (Mansfield, PA)*
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts (North Adams, MA)*
Midwestern State University (Wichita Falls, TX)
New College of Florida (Sarasota, FL)
Ramapo College of New Jersey (Mahwah, NJ)
Shepherd University (Shepherdstown, WV)
Sonoma State University (Rohnert Park, CA)
Southern Oregon University (Ashland, OR)
Southern Utah University (Cedar City, UT)
St. Mary's College of Maryland (Saint Mary's City, MD)
Truman State University (Kirksville, MO)
University of Illinois Springfield (Springfield, IL)
University of Mary Washington (Fredericksburg, VA)
University of Montevallo (Montevallo, AL)
University of North Carolina at Asheville (Asheville, NC)*
University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma (Chickasha, OK)

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.

Carnegie Class (N=116)

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| Adrian College (Adrian, MI) | Flagler College (Saint Augustine, FL)* |
| Arizona Christian University (Phoenix, AZ)* | Georgia Gwinnett College (Lawrenceville, GA)* |
| Averett University (Danville, VA) | Glenville State College (Glenville, WV) |
| Barton College (Wilson, NC) | Goshen College (Goshen, IN)* |
| Belmont Abbey College (Belmont, NC)* | Grand View University (Des Moines, IA)* |
| Benedict College (Columbia, SC) | Greensboro College (Greensboro, NC) |
| Benedictine College (Atchison, KS) | Hastings College (Hastings, NE)* |
| Bennett College (Greensboro, NC)* | Hilbert College (Hamburg, NY)* |
| Bethany College (Lindsborg, KS)* | Indiana University Kokomo (Kokomo, IN)* |
| Bluefield College (Bluefield, VA) | Jarvis Christian College (Hawkins, TX) |
| Brescia University (Owensboro, KY) | Johnson & Wales University-North Miami (North Miami, FL) |
| Brevard College (Brevard, NC) | Kansas Wesleyan University (Salina, KS)* |
| Brigham Young University-Hawaii (Laie, HI) | Kentucky State University (Frankfort, KY)* |
| Buena Vista University (Storm Lake, IA) | Kentucky Wesleyan College (Owensboro, KY) |
| Carroll College (Helena, MT)* | Keystone College (La Plume, PA) |
| Catawba College (Salisbury, NC) | La Roche College (Pittsburgh, PA) |
| Cedar Crest College (Allentown, PA)* | Lander University (Greenwood, SC) |
| Cedarville University (Cedarville, OH) | Lane College (Jackson, TN) |
| Central Methodist University (Fayette, MO) | Lees-McRae College (Banner Elk, NC) |
| Chowan University (Murfreesboro, NC) | Limestone College (Gaffney, SC)* |
| Clarke University (Dubuque, IA) | Lyndon State College (Lyndonville, VT)* |
| Colby-Sawyer College (New London, NH)* | MacMurray College (Jacksonville, IL)* |
| College of St Joseph (Rutland, VT) | Maranatha Baptist University (Watertown, WI)* |
| Colorado Mesa University (Grand Junction, CO) | Mars Hill University (Mars Hill, NC)* |
| Concordia College-New York (Bronxville, NY)* | Martin Methodist College (Pulaski, TN)* |
| Culver-Stockton College (Canton, MO)* | Marymount California University (Rancho Palos Verdes, CA) |
| CUNY Medgar Evers College (Brooklyn, NY) | Mayville State University (Mayville, ND)* |
| CUNY New York City College of Technology (Brooklyn, NY)* | McMurry University (Abilene, TX) |
| CUNY York College (Jamaica, NY)* | Middle Georgia State University (Macon, GA) |
| Defiance College (Defiance, OH) | Millikin University (Decatur, IL)* |
| East Texas Baptist University (Marshall, TX) | Missouri Southern State University (Joplin, MO) |
| Emmanuel College (Franklin Springs, GA) | Missouri Western State University (Saint Joseph, MO) |
| Eureka College (Eureka, IL) | Montana State University-Northern (Havre, MT) |
| Ferrum College (Ferrum, VA)* | Montana Tech of the University of Montana (Butte, MT)* |
| Finlandia University (Hancock, MI) | Nevada State College at Henderson (Henderson, NV) |

*2015 participant

Carnegie Class (N=116), continued

North Central University (Minneapolis, MN)*
 Northwestern College (Orange City, IA)
 Ohio Northern University (Ada, OH)
 Ohio State University-Lima Campus (Lima, OH)
 Ohio Valley University (Vienna, WV)
 Olivet College (Olivet, MI)
 Oregon Institute of Technology (Klamath Falls, OR)*
 Our Lady of Holy Cross College (New Orleans, LA)
 Paul Smith's College (Paul Smiths, NY)
 Reinhardt University (Waleska, GA)
 Rocky Mountain College (Billings, MT)*
 Saint Andrews University (Laurinburg, NC)
 Saint Joseph's College (Rensselaer, IN)
 San Diego Christian College (El Cajon, CA)*
 Shaw University (Raleigh, NC)
 Southern Vermont College (Bennington, VT)
 Southwestern Adventist University (Keene, TX)*
 Southwestern Christian University (Bethany, OK)
 St. Francis College (Brooklyn Heights, NY)
 St. Gregory's University (Shawnee, OK)
 Tabor College (Hillsboro, KS)
 Tennessee Wesleyan College (Athens, TN)
 Texas Lutheran University (Seguin, TX)*
 Trine University (Angola, IN)
 Truett McConnell University (Cleveland, GA)
 Union College (NE) (Lincoln, NE)*
 University of Arkansas - Fort Smith (Fort Smith, AR)
 University of Great Falls (Great Falls, MT)
 University of Hawai'i-West O'ahu (Kapolei, HI)
 University of Maine at Presque Isle (Presque Isle, ME)
 University of Minnesota-Crookston (Crookston, MN)
 University of Mobile (Mobile, AL)
 University of Montana-Western, The (Dillon, MT)*
 University of Mount Olive (Mount Olive, NC)*
 University of Mount Union (Alliance, OH)
 University of Pittsburgh-Bradford (Bradford, PA)
 University of Puerto Rico-Carolina (Carolina, PR)
 University of South Carolina Upstate (Spartanburg, SC)
 University of South Carolina-Beaufort (Bluffton, SC)
 Urbana University (Urbana, OH)*
 Valley City State University (Valley City, ND)*
 Waldorf University (Forest City, IA)
 Warner Pacific College (Portland, OR)*
 Webber International University (Babson Park, FL)
 Wesley College (Dover, DE)*
 Wisconsin Lutheran College (Milwaukee, WI)*

Comparison Group 3: NSSE 2015 & 2016

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NSSE 2015 & 2016 (N=865)

All other NSSE 2015 and 2016 U.S. participants

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