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# **NSSE 2018**

## **Selected Comparison Groups**

University of South Carolina Aiken

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### 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 2017 and 2018 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<sup>a</sup> 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 2017 and 2018 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 "Admissions Overlap," "Carnegie UG Program," and "NSSE 2017 & 2018."

		Your Students' Responses		Comparison Group 1		Comparison Group 2		Comparison Group 3			
		Frequency Distributions									
		NSSEville State		Admissions Overlap		Carnegie UG Program		NSSE 2017 & 2018			
Item wording or description	Variable name <sup>c</sup>	Values <sup>a</sup>	Response options	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%		
<b>1. During the current school year, about how often have you done the following?</b>											
a. Asked questions or contributed to course discussions in other ways	askquest	1	Never	45	4	1,462	5	16	5	3,978	3
		2	Sometimes	450	37	1,500	33	6,910	40	43,752	33
		3	Often	428	34	11,311	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

### 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 2017 participants are identified with an asterisk.

#### Comparison Group 2: Carnegie UG Program

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	5/29/18
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution customized this group by selecting institutional characteristics as follows: UG Instr Prog (A&S/No grad coex)
Group description (as provided by your institution)	All other current- and prior-year participants with the same Carnegie Undergraduate Instructional Program Classification.

#### Carnegie UG Program (N=53)

Albion College (Albion, MI)	Pitzer College (Claremont, CA)
Allegheny College (Meadville, PA)*	Randolph College (Lynchburg, VA)
Austin College (Sherman, TX)*	Randolph-Macon College (Ashland, VA)*
Beloit College (Beloit, WI)*	Rhodes College (Memphis, TN)*
Bryn Athyn College of the New Church (Bryn Athyn, PA)*	Ripon College (Ripon, WI)
Centre College (Danville, KY)	Scrpps College (Claremont, CA)
Christophers Newport University (Newport News, VA)*	Southwestern University (Georgetown, TX)
Claremont McKenna College (Claremont, CA)*	St. Lawrence University (Canton, NY)*

a. The default groups are:

- Comparison Group 1: For institutions not in a NSSE consortium, this group contains 2017 and 2018 NSSE institutions in the same geographic region and sector (public/private). For consortium institutions, it contains results for the other 2017 (if applicable) and 2018 consortium members.
- Comparison Group 2: All other 2017 and 2018 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 2017 and 2018 U.S. NSSE institutions (2017 and 2018 Canadian participants are also included in this group for Canadian institutions).

### Comparison Group 1: Southeast 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 (SE); Sector (Pub)
Group description (as provided by your institution)	Default comparison group

#### Southeast Public (N=111)

Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College (Tifton, GA)*	Georgia State University (Atlanta, GA)*
Alabama A&M University (Normal, AL)	Gordon State College (Barnesville, GA)*
Albany State University (Albany, GA)*	Grambling State University (Grambling, LA)
Appalachian State University (Boone, NC)	Henderson State University (Arkadelphia, AR)
Arkansas Tech University (Russellville, AR)*	Jackson State University (Jackson, MS)
Armstrong State University (Savannah, GA)*	Jacksonville State University (Jacksonville, AL)
Auburn University (Auburn, AL)	Jacksonville State University (Jacksonville, FL)
Auburn University at Montgomery (Montgomery, AL)	James Madison University (Harrisonburg, VA)*
Augusta University (Augusta, GA)	Kennesaw State University (Kennesaw, GA)*
Austin Peay State University (Clarksville, TN)	Kentucky State University (Frankfort, KY)*
Christopher Newport University (Newport News, VA)*	Longwood University (Farmville, VA)*
Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina, The (Charleston, SC)	Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College (Baton Rouge, LA)
Clayton State University (Morrow, GA)*	Louisiana State University at Alexandria (Alexandria, LA)
Clemson University (Clemson, SC)	Louisiana State University-Shreveport (Shreveport, LA)
Coastal Carolina University (Conway, SC)*	Marshall University (Huntington, WV)
College of Coastal Georgia (Brunswick, GA)*	McNeese State University (Lake Charles, LA)
Columbus State University (Columbus, GA)*	Middle Georgia State University (Macon, GA)*
Dalton State College (Dalton, GA)*	Mississippi State University (Mississippi State, MS)
Delta State University (Cleveland, MS)	Mississippi University for Women (Columbus, MS)
East Carolina University (Greenville, NC)	Morehead State University (Morehead, KY)
Elizabeth City State University (Elizabeth City, NC)*	Murray State University (Murray, KY)
Fayetteville State University (Fayetteville, NC)	New College of Florida (Sarasota, FL)*
Florida A&M University (Tallahassee, FL)*	Nicholls State University (Thibodaux, LA)
Florida Atlantic University (Boca Raton, FL)*	Norfolk State University (Norfolk, VA)
Florida Gulf Coast University (Fort Myers, FL)*	North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University (Greensboro, NC)*
Florida International University (Miami, FL)	North Carolina Central University (Durham, NC)
Florida State University (Tallahassee, FL)*	North Carolina State University (Raleigh, NC)*
Fort Valley State University (Fort Valley, GA)*	Northern Kentucky University (Highland Heights, KY)
Francis Marion University (Florence, SC)	Old Dominion University (Norfolk, VA)*
George Mason University (Fairfax, VA)	Radford University (Radford, VA)
Georgia College & State University (Milledgeville, GA)*	Savannah State University (Savannah, GA)*
Georgia Gwinnett College (Lawrenceville, GA)*	Southeastern Louisiana University (Hammond, LA)
Georgia Institute of Technology (Atlanta, GA)*	Southern Arkansas University (Magnolia, AR)
Georgia Southern University (Statesboro, GA)*	Southern University and A&M College (Baton Rouge, LA)
Georgia Southwestern State University (Americus, GA)*	Southern University at New Orleans (New Orleans, LA)
	Tennessee State University (Nashville, TN)

#### **Southeast Public (N=111), continued**

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Tennessee Technological University (Cookeville, TN)\*  
Troy University (Troy, AL)\*  
University of Alabama at Birmingham (Birmingham, AL)  
University of Arkansas - Fort Smith (Fort Smith, AR)\*  
University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff (Pine Bluff, AR)\*  
University of Central Arkansas (Conway, AR)  
University of Central Florida (Orlando, FL)\*  
University of Georgia (Athens, GA)\*  
University of Kentucky (Lexington, KY)  
University of Louisiana at Lafayette (Lafayette, LA)  
University of Louisiana Monroe (Monroe, LA)  
University of Mary Washington (Fredericksburg, VA)  
University of Mississippi (University, MS)\*  
University of Montevallo (Montevallo, AL)  
University of New Orleans, The (New Orleans, LA)\*  
University of North Carolina at Asheville (Asheville, NC)  
University of North Carolina at Charlotte (Charlotte, NC)  
University of North Carolina at Greensboro, The (Greensboro, NC)  
University of North Carolina at Pembroke (Pembroke, NC)\*  
University of North Carolina Wilmington (Wilmington, NC)\*  
University of North Florida (Jacksonville, FL)\*  
University of North Georgia (Dahlonega, GA)  
University of South Alabama (Mobile, AL)  
University of South Carolina Columbia (Columbia, SC)\*  
University of South Carolina Upstate (Spartanburg, SC)  
University of South Florida (Tampa, FL)\*  
University of South Florida-St. Petersburg (St. Petersburg, FL)\*  
University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, The (Chattanooga, TN)  
University of Tennessee Martin, The (Martin, TN)  
University of Virginia's College at Wise, The (Wise, VA)  
University of West Alabama (Livingston, AL)  
University of West Florida, The (Pensacola, FL)  
University of West Georgia (Carrollton, GA)\*  
Valdosta State University (Valdosta, GA)\*  
Virginia Commonwealth University (Richmond, VA)\*  
Virginia Military Institute (Lexington, VA)\*  
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Blacksburg, VA)\*  
Virginia State University (Petersburg, VA)  
Western Carolina University (Cullowhee, NC)  
Winston-Salem State University (Winston-Salem, NC)  
Winthrop University (Rock Hill, SC)

### Comparison Group 2: Carnegie Class

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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 (Bac/Div)
Group description (as provided by your institution)	Default comparison group

### Carnegie Class (N=119)

Adrian College (Adrian, MI)	Florida Memorial University (Miami Gardens, FL)*
Arizona Christian University (Phoenix, AZ)*	Georgia Gwinnett College (Lawrenceville, GA)*
Augustana University (Sioux Falls, SD)*	Goshen College (Goshen, IN)*
Averett University (Danville, VA)	Greensboro College (Greensboro, NC)
Barton College (Wilson, NC)	Hastings College (Hastings, NE)
Becker College (Worcester, MA)*	High Point University (High Point, NC)*
Benedictine College (Atchison, KS)	Huston-Tillotson University (Austin, TX)*
Bennett College (Greensboro, NC)*	Indiana University Kokomo (Kokomo, IN)
Bethany College (Lindsborg, KS)*	Iowa Wesleyan University (Mount Pleasant, IA)*
Bluefield College (Bluefield, VA)	Kansas Wesleyan University (Salina, KS)*
Brescia University (Owensboro, KY)	Kentucky State University (Frankfort, KY)*
Briar Cliff University (Sioux City, IA)*	Kentucky Wesleyan College (Owensboro, KY)
Brigham Young University-Idaho (Rexburg, ID)*	Keystone College (La Plume, PA)
California State University Maritime Academy (Vallejo, CA)*	Lewis-Clark State College (Lewiston, ID)*
Catawba College (Salisbury, NC)	Limestone College (Gaffney, SC)*
Cedar Crest College (Allentown, PA)*	Loras College (Dubuque, IA)*
Cedarville University (Cedarville, OH)	MacMurray College (Jacksonville, IL)*
Central Christian College of Kansas (McPherson, KS)	Manchester University (North Manchester, IN)*
Central Methodist University (Fayette, MO)	Maranatha Baptist University (Watertown, WI)*
Chowan University (Murfreesboro, NC)	Marietta College (Marietta, OH)*
Clarke University (Dubuque, IA)	Mars Hill University (Mars Hill, NC)*
Coker College (Hartsville, SC)	Martin Methodist College (Pulaski, TN)
Concordia College-New York (Bronxville, NY)*	Marymount California University (Rancho Palos Verdes, CA)
Crown College (Saint Bonifacius, MN)*	Mayville State University (Mayville, ND)*
Culver-Stockton College (Canton, MO)*	McMurry University (Abilene, TX)
CUNY Medgar Evers College (Brooklyn, NY)*	McPherson College (McPherson, KS)*
Dakota Wesleyan University (Mitchell, SD)*	Messiah College (Mechanicsburg, PA)*
Defiance College (Defiance, OH)*	Middle Georgia State University (Macon, GA)*
Dickinson State University (Dickinson, ND)*	Midland University (Fremont, NE)*
Edward Waters College (Jacksonville, FL)	Millikin University (Decatur, IL)
Eureka College (Eureka, IL)*	Missouri Valley College (Marshall, MO)*
Farmingdale State College (Farmingdale, NY)*	Montana Tech of the University of Montana (Butte, MT)
Finlandia University (Hancock, MI)	Mount Ida College (Newton, MA)*
Five Towns College (Dix Hills, NY)	Nevada State College (Henderson, NV)
Flagler College (Saint Augustine, FL)	Newbury College-Brookline (Brookline, MA)*

#### **Carnegie Class (N=119), continued**

North Central University (Minneapolis, MN)\*  
 Ohio Northern University (Ada, OH)  
 Ohio Valley University (Vienna, WV)\*  
 Olivet College (Olivet, MI)\*  
 Oregon Institute of Technology (Klamath Falls, OR)  
 Ottawa University (Ottawa, KS)\*  
 Paul Smith's College (Paul Smiths, NY)  
 Rochester College (Rochester Hills, MI)  
 Rocky Mountain College (Billings, MT)\*  
 Rogers State University (Claremore, OK)\*  
 Saint Andrews University (Laurinburg, NC)  
 Shaw University (Raleigh, NC)  
 Shawnee State University (Portsmouth, OH)  
 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)\*  
 Taylor University (Upland, IN)\*  
 Tennessee Wesleyan University (Athens, TN)  
 Texas College (Tyler, TX)\*  
 Texas Lutheran University (Seguin, TX)  
 Trinity Christian College (Palos Heights, IL)\*  
 Union College (NE) (Lincoln, NE)\*  
 United States Coast Guard Academy (New London, CT)\*  
 United States Merchant Marine Academy (Kings Point, NY)  
 Universidad Adventista de las Antillas (Mayaguez, PR)  
 University of Arkansas - Fort Smith (Fort Smith, AR)\*  
 University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff (Pine Bluff, AR)\*  
 University of Maine at Augusta (Augusta, ME)\*  
 University of Maine at Farmington (Farmington, ME)\*  
 University of Maine at Fort Kent (Fort Kent, ME)\*  
 University of Maine at Presque Isle (Presque Isle, ME)\*  
 University of Mobile (Mobile, AL)  
 University of Montana-Western, The (Dillon, MT)  
 University of Mount Olive (Mount Olive, NC)\*  
 University of Pittsburgh-Bradford (Bradford, PA)  
 University of Providence (Great Falls, MT)  
 University of South Carolina Upstate (Spartanburg, SC)  
 University of the Ozarks (Clarksville, AR)\*  
 University of Wisconsin-Superior (Superior, WI)\*  
 Urbana University (Urbana, OH)\*  
 Valley City State University (Valley City, ND)\*  
 Warner Pacific University (Portland, OR)  
 Webber International University (Babson Park, FL)  
 Wiley College (Marshall, TX)  
 William Jessup University (Rocklin, CA)\*  
 Wilson College (Chambersburg, PA)  
 Wisconsin Lutheran College (Milwaukee, WI)\*

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### Comparison Group 3: NSSE 2017 & 2018

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### NSSE 2017 & 2018 (N=943)

All other NSSE 2017 and 2018 U.S. participants

View list at [nsse.indiana.edu/pdf/nsse2017and2018\\_list.pdf](https://nsse.indiana.edu/pdf/nsse2017and2018_list.pdf)