NSSE 2015
Selected Comparison Groups
University of Idaho
Customized 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 the "Report 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 2014 and 2015 NSSE participants, (b) composing the group by selecting institutional characteristics, or (c) a combination of these. Institutions that choose not to customize receive default groups 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 2014 (if applicable) and 2015 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. In this example, the three groups are "GLC Peers," "Private Master's S," and "NSSE 2014 & 2015."

First-Year Students
Frequency Distributions

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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 2014 participants are identified with an asterisk.

Comparison Group 1: GLC Peers
This section summarizes how this group was identified, including selection criteria and whether the default group was used. This is followed by the listing of institutions in this group.

How Group was Constructed:
Your institution matched the default comparison group (region and sector). Your default group included institutions that are similar to your institution based on:

Comparison Group 3: All other 2014 and 2015 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 2: All other 2014 and 2015 U.S. NSSE institutions in the same geographic region and sector (public/private). For consortium institutions, it contains results for the other 2014 (if applicable) and 2015 consortium members.

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a. The default groups are:

Comparison Group 1: For institutions not in a NSSE consortium, this group contains 2014 and 2015 NSSE institutions in the same geographic region and sector (public/private).

For consortium institutions, it contains results for the other 2014 (if applicable) and 2015 consortium members.

Comparison Group 2: All other 2014 and 2015 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 2014 and 2015 U.S. NSSE institutions (2014 and 2015 Canadian participants are also included in this group for Canadian institutions).
Comparison Group 1: Peers participating

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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Peers participating (N=7)

- Clemson University (Clemson, SC)
- Montana State University-Bozeman (Bozeman, MT)*
- New Mexico State University (Las Cruces, NM)*
- University of New Hampshire (Durham, NH)
- University of Wyoming (Laramie, WY)
- Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Blacksburg, VA)*
- Washington State University (Pullman, WA)

*2014 participant
Comparison Group 2: Carnegie Class

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**Group description**

Public Research Institutions, our size (5,001 - 10,000) and small to mid-sized locations

**Carnegie Class (N=8)**

Florida A&M University (Tallahassee, FL)*
Jackson State University (Jackson, MS)
Louisiana Tech University (Ruston, LA)*
Michigan Technological University (Houghton, MI)
Texas A&M University - Commerce (Commerce, TX)*
Texas A&M University-Kingsville (Kingsville, TX)
University of Alabama in Huntsville (Huntsville, AL)
University of South Dakota (Vermillion, SD)*

*2014 participant
**Comparison Group 3: S/M Public ProfASHGC**

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**S/M Public ProfASHGC (N=7)**

- Auburn University (Auburn University, AL)
- Mississippi State University (Mississippi State, MS)*
- Montana State University-Bozeman (Bozeman, MT)*
- New Mexico State University (Las Cruces, NM)*
- University of Alabama in Huntsville (Huntsville, AL)
- University of North Dakota (Grand Forks, ND)
- University of Wyoming (Laramie, WY)

*2014 participant*