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# **NSSE 2014**

## **Selected Comparison Groups**

University of Maine at Machias

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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 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 2013 and 2014 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<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 the corresponding reports by choosing from the institutions where the question sets were administered. The default for these groups is all other 2013 (if applicable) and 2014 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 "Public Master's L," "Large Public," and "NSSE 2013 & 2014."

**Your Students' Responses**

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NSSEville State

**Comparison Group 1**

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Public Master's L

**Comparison Group 2**

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Large Public

**Comparison Group 3**

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NSSE 2013 & 2014

**Frequency Distributions**

Item wording or description	Variable name <sup>c</sup>	Values <sup>d</sup>	Response options	NSSEville State		Public Master's L		Large Public		NSSE 2013 & 2014	
				Count	%	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 2 3 4	Never Sometimes Often Very often	45	4	1,462	5	810	5	3,978	3
				450	37	13,001	39	6,119	40	43,752	33
				428	34	1,145	14	5,911	34	47,737	35
				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 2013 participants are identified with an asterisk.

#### Comparison Group 1: Public Master's 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 6/23/14

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, Carnegie-classified Master's Large Universities.

#### 'Public Master's L' institutions (N=124)

Alabama State University (Montgomery, AL)*	Georgia College & State University (Milledgeville, GA)
Armstrong State University (Savannah, GA)	Grand Valley State University (Allendale, MI)*
Auburn University at Montgomery (Montgomery, AL)*	Jacksonville State University (Jacksonville, AL)
Austin Peay State University (Clarksville, TN)	James Madison University (Harrisonburg, VA)
Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania (Bloomsburg, PA)	Kean University (Union, NJ)*
Bridgewater State University (Bridgewater, MA)	Kennesaw State University (Kennesaw, GA)
California State Polytechnic University-Pomona (Pomona, CA)	Kutztown University of Pennsylvania (Kutztown, PA)*
California State University-Bakersfield (Bakersfield, CA)	Marshall University (Huntington, WV)

a. The default groups are:

- Comparison Group 1: For institutions not in a NSSE consortium, this group contains 2013 and 2014 NSSE institutions in the same geographic region and sector (public/private). For consortium institutions, it contains results for the other 2013 (if applicable) and 2014 consortium members.
- Comparison Group 2: All other 2013 and 2014 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 2013 and 2014 U.S. NSSE institutions (2013 and 2014 Canadian participants are also included in this group for Canadian institutions).

### Comparison Group 1: UMM Peers Swain

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	6/2/14
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution customized this comparison group by selecting from the list of all 2013 and 2014 NSSE participants.
Group description	No description provided

### 'UMM Peers Swain' institutions (N=26)

Adams State University (Alamosa, CO)  
 Chadron State College (Chadron, NE)  
 Cheyney University of Pennsylvania (Cheyney, PA)  
 Dickinson State University (Dickinson, ND)  
 Elizabeth City State University (Elizabeth City, NC)  
 Green Mountain College (Poultney, VT)\*  
 Lyndon State College (Lyndonville, VT)  
 Mayville State University (Mayville, ND)\*  
 Northwestern Oklahoma State University (Alva, OK)  
 Ohio State University-Lima Campus (Lima, OH)\*  
 Ohio State University-Mansfield Campus (Mansfield, OH)\*  
 Ohio State University-Marion Campus (Marion, OH)\*  
 Peru State College (Peru, NE)  
 SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry (Syracuse, NY)  
 The University of Virginia's College at Wise (Wise, VA)  
 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 Minnesota, Morris (Morris, MN)  
 University of New England (Biddeford, ME)  
 University of Pittsburgh-Bradford (Bradford, PA)  
 University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma (Chickasha, OK)  
 University of South Carolina Aiken (Aiken, SC)  
 Valley City State University (Valley City, ND)\*  
 Western State Colorado University (Gunnison, CO)

### 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 (Bac/A&S)
Group description	Default comparison group

### 'Carnegie Class' institutions (N=152)

Agnes Scott College (Decatur, GA)*	Drew University (Madison, NJ)
Albion College (Albion, MI)	Eastern Mennonite University (Harrisonburg, VA)*
Albright College (Reading, PA)	Eastern Nazarene College (Quincy, MA)*
Allegheny College (Meadville, PA)	Emory and Henry College (Emory, VA)*
Alma College (Alma, MI)	Fisk University (Nashville, TN)*
Austin College (Sherman, TX)	Fort Lewis College (Durango, CO)
Ave Maria University (Ave Maria, FL)	Furman University (Greenville, SC)*
Beloit College (Beloit, WI)	Gettysburg College (Gettysburg, PA)
Berea College (Berea, KY)	Gordon College (Wenham, MA)*
Berry College (Mount Berry, GA)*	Goshen College (Goshen, IN)*
Bethany College (Bethany, WV)	Goucher College (Baltimore, MD)
Bethany Lutheran College (Mankato, MN)*	Green Mountain College (Poultney, VT)*
Birmingham-Southern College (Birmingham, AL)*	Grinnell College (Grinnell, IA)
Bloomfield College (Bloomfield, NJ)	Grove City College (Grove City, PA)
Brevard College (Brevard, NC)*	Guilford College (Greensboro, NC)
Bryn Athyn College of the New Church (Bryn Athyn, PA)*	Gustavus Adolphus College (Saint Peter, MN)*
Bryn Mawr College (Bryn Mawr, PA)	Hamilton College (Clinton, NY)
Bucknell University (Lewisburg, PA)	Hampden-Sydney College (Hampden-Sydney, VA)
Carthage College (Kenosha, WI)*	Hanover College (Hanover, IN)
Centenary College of Louisiana (Shreveport, LA)	Harrisburg University of Science and Technology (Harrisburg, PA)
Central College (Pella, IA)*	Hartwick College (Oneonta, NY)
Centre College (Danville, KY)	Harvey Mudd College (Claremont, CA)
Clafin University (Orangeburg, SC)*	Hendrix College (Conway, AR)
Claremont McKenna College (Claremont, CA)	Hiram College (Hiram, OH)*
Colby College (Waterville, ME)	Hollins University (Roanoke, VA)
Colgate University (Hamilton, NY)	Holy Cross College (Notre Dame, IN)
College of the Atlantic (Bar Harbor, ME)	Hope College (Holland, MI)
College of the Holy Cross (Worcester, MA)	Houghton College (Houghton, NY)*
Colorado College (Colorado Springs, CO)*	Huston-Tillotson University (Austin, TX)
Colorado Mesa University (Grand Junction, CO)*	Illinois College (Jacksonville, IL)
Concordia College at Moorhead (Moorhead, MN)*	Illinois Wesleyan University (Bloomington, IL)*
Connecticut College (New London, CT)	Judson College (Marion, AL)*
Denison University (Granville, OH)	Juniata College (Huntingdon, PA)
Dillard University (New Orleans, LA)	Kalamazoo College (Kalamazoo, MI)*
Doane College (Crete, NE)	Kenyon College (Gambier, OH)

\* 2013 participant

#### 'Carnegie Class' institutions (N=152)

Knox College (Galesburg, IL)	United States Air Force Academy (USAFA, CO)
Lake Forest College (Lake Forest, IL)	United States Military Academy (West Point, NY)
Lawrence University (Appleton, WI)*	United States Naval Academy (Annapolis, MD)
Lewis & Clark College (Portland, OR)*	University of Hawai'i at Hilo (Hilo, HI)
Life University (Marietta, GA)*	University of Minnesota, Morris (Morris, MN)
Linfield College - McMinnville Campus (McMinnville, OR)	University of Pikeville (Pikeville, KY)
Luther College (Decorah, IA)	University of Puget Sound (Tacoma, WA)
Lycoming College (Williamsport, PA)	University of Richmond (Richmond, VA)
Lyon College (Batesville, AR)	University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma (Chickasha, OK)
Macalester College (Saint Paul, MN)	University of Wisconsin-Parkside (Kenosha, WI)
Marlboro College (Marlboro, VT)*	Vassar College (Poughkeepsie, NY)*
Marymount Manhattan College (New York, NY)*	Virginia Military Institute (Lexington, VA)
Millsaps College (Jackson, MS)	Virginia Wesleyan College (Norfolk, VA)*
Monmouth College (Monmouth, IL)*	Wabash College (Crawfordsville, IN)
Muhlenberg College (Allentown, PA)	Warren Wilson College (Swannanoa, NC)
Nebraska Wesleyan University (Lincoln, NE)	Wartburg College (Waverly, IA)*
New College of Florida (Sarasota, FL)*	Washington and Lee University (Lexington, VA)
Oglethorpe University (Atlanta, GA)	Wesleyan College (Macon, GA)
Ohio Wesleyan University (Delaware, OH)*	West Virginia State University (Institute, WV)
Pacific Union College (Angwin, CA)*	Western State Colorado University (Gunnison, CO)
Pitzer College (Claremont, CA)	Westminster College (Fulton, MO)
Presbyterian College (Clinton, SC)	Westmont College (Santa Barbara, CA)
Randolph College (Lynchburg, VA)	Wheaton College (Wheaton, IL)*
Randolph-Macon College (Ashland, VA)	Wheaton College (Norton, MA)
Rhodes College (Memphis, TN)	Whitman College (Walla Walla, WA)
Ripon College (Ripon, WI)	William Jewell College (Liberty, MO)
Roanoke College (Salem, VA)	William Peace University (Raleigh, NC)
Saint Anselm College (Manchester, NH)*	Wisconsin Lutheran College (Milwaukee, WI)*
Saint Mary's College (Notre Dame, IN)*	Wittenberg University (Springfield, OH)*
Saint Michael's College (Colchester, VT)*	Wofford College (Spartanburg, SC)
Saint Vincent College (Latrobe, PA)	
Savannah State University (Savannah, GA)	
Scripps College (Claremont, CA)*	
Sewanee: The University of the South (Sewanee, TN)	
Shawnee State University (Portsmouth, OH)*	
Simpson College (Indianola, IA)	
Simpson University (Redding, CA)*	
Skidmore College (Saratoga Springs, NY)*	
Southwestern University (Georgetown, TX)	
Spelman College (Atlanta, GA)*	
St. Lawrence University (Canton, NY)	
St. Mary's College of Maryland (Saint Mary's City, MD)	
St. Olaf College (Northfield, MN)*	
Sterling College (Craftsbury Common, VT)	
Stonehill College (Easton, MA)	
SUNY at Purchase College (Purchase, NY)	
SUNY College at Old Westbury (Old Westbury, NY)	
Susquehanna University (Selinsgrove, PA)	
Sweet Briar College (Sweet Briar, VA)	
The College of Idaho (Caldwell, ID)	
The College of Saint Benedict and Saint John's University (Saint Joseph, MN)*	
The University of Virginia's College at Wise (Wise, VA)	

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### Comparison Group 3: NSSE 2013 & 2014

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Group description	Default comparison group

### 'NSSE 2013 & 2014' institutions (N=983)

All other NSSE 2013 and 2014 U.S. participants

View list at [nsse.iub.edu/pdf/nsse2013and2014\\_list.pdf](http://nsse.iub.edu/pdf/nsse2013and2014_list.pdf)