



Cape Breton University

Selected Comparison Groups
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Reviewing Your NSSE 2012 Selected Comparison Groups Report

The NSSE Institutional Report displays results for each institution alongside three comparison groups which are customizable. In June, your institution was invited to select comparison 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 in several ways. Contacts may identify specific institutions from the list of all current-year NSSE participants, compose the group using institutional characteristics, or begin with institutional characteristics, then add or remove specific institutions to refine the comparison group.

If an institution does not customize a comparison group, NSSE provides default groups which provide relevant comparisons for most institutions. 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.

Comparison Group 3 - All other current-year U.S. NSSE institutions (Canadian participants are also included in this group for Canadian institutions).

The selected comparison group locations in the institutional reports are illustrated in the mock report below for NSSEville State. Comparison group 1 is "Mid East Private," comparison group 2 "Carnegie Class," and comparison group 3 "NSSE 2012."

Your Institution's Responses				Comparison Group 1 or Consortium			Comparison Group 2			Comparison Group 3			
				NSSEville State			Mid East Private			NSSEville State compared with: Carnegie Class NSSE 2012			
Variable	Benchmark	Class		Mean ^a	Mean ^a	Sig. ^b	Effect Size ^c	Mean ^a	Sig. ^b	Effect Size ^c	Mean ^a	Sig. ^b	Effect Size ^c
In your experience at your institution during the current school year, about how often have you done each of the following? 1=Never, 2=Sometimes, 3=Often, 4=Very often													
1. Academic and Intellectual Experiences													
a. Asked questions in class or contributed to class discussions	CLQUEST	ACL	FY	2.94	2.90	.04		2.85	**	.10	2.85	**	.10
			SR	3.28	3.19	***	.12	3.15	***	.15	3.12	***	.19
b. Made a class presentation	CLPRESEN	ACL	FY	2.28	2.43	***	-.18	2.32		-.05	2.29		-.01
			SR	2.89	2.91		-.03	2.86		.03	2.79	***	.11

This report consists of a summary page that explains when and how your comparison groups were selected (or if you received defaults) and three sections that provide details for each of the comparison groups. A guide to the details sections is below.

Comparison Group Name
The name assigned to the comparison group is embedded here in quotes.

Comparison Group 1 Details

This report displays the 2012 comparison group 1 institutions for NSSEville State University. The institutions listed below are represented in the 'Mid East Private' column of the Respondent Characteristics, Mean Comparisons, Frequency Distributions, and Benchmark Comparisons reports.

HOW GROUP WAS SELECTED

Your institution did not customize comparison group 1. The default group includes all institutions in your geographic region and sector (public/private).

SELECTED PEER GROUP CRITERIA^a

Basic 2010 Carnegie Classification(s):
Carnegie - Undergraduate Instructional Program(s):
Carnegie - Graduate Instructional Program(s):
Carnegie - Enrollment Profile(s):
Carnegie - Undergraduate Profile(s):
Carnegie - Size and Setting(s):
Sector(s) (public/private): 2,3
Undergraduate enrollment(s):
Locale(s):
Geographic Region(s): 2
State(s):
Barron's admissions selectivity ratings(s):

COMPARISON GROUP 1 INSTITUTIONS

Institution Name	City	State
Alvernia University	Reading	PA
Baltimore International College	Baltimore	MD
Bloomfield College	Bloomfield	NJ

How Group was Selected
Indicates whether your group was drawn from a list, built based on criteria, or is the default group.

Institution List
The names, cities and states of the comparison institutions are listed for your reference.

Selection Criteria
If institutional characteristics were used to build your comparison group, they are listed here. The criterion codes are explained on the Comparison Group Selection Criteria Codelist.

SUMMARY - Comparison Group Selection

This page summarizes how your three NSSE 2012 comparison groups were selected. Each group was either (a) submitted by your institution through the *Report Form* located on the NSSE Institution Interface or (b) assigned by default. Included below are the date the groups were last confirmed, the method used to select them, the column label your institutional contact provided for each group, the number of institutions in each group, and a short description of the group provided by your contact at the time of submission. The following pages list the institutions selected for each comparison group.

COMPARISON GROUP 1 SELECTION

Date Confirmed: N/A
Selection Method: DEFAULT GROUP - Your institution did not customize your default comparison group.
Column Label: Canada
Number of Institutions: 22
Description:

COMPARISON GROUP 2 SELECTION

Date Confirmed: 5/22/12
Selection Method: Institution-level criteria used to build this comparison group
Column Label: Canada -Universities
Number of Institutions: 14
Description: This group includes all the universities in Canada and does not include colleges or university colleges.

COMPARISON GROUP 3 SELECTION

Date Confirmed: N/A
Selection Method: DEFAULT GROUP - Your institution did not customize your default comparison group.
Column Label: NSSE 2012
Number of Institutions: 568
Description:

Comparison Group 1 Details

This report displays the 2012 comparison group 1 institutions for Cape Breton University. The institutions listed below are represented in the 'Canada' column of the Respondent Characteristics, Mean Comparisons, Frequency Distributions, and Benchmark Comparisons reports.

HOW GROUP WAS SELECTED

Your institution did not customize comparison group 1. The default group includes all institutions in your geographic region and sector (public/private).

SELECTED PEER GROUP CRITERIA ^a

Basic 2010 Carnegie Classification(s):

Carnegie - Undergraduate Instructional Program(s):

Carnegie - Graduate Instructional Program(s):

Carnegie - Enrollment Profile(s):

Carnegie - Undergraduate Profile(s):

Carnegie - Size and Setting(s):

Sector(s) (public/private):

Undergraduate enrollment(s):

Locale(s):

Geographic Region(s): 11

State(s):

Barron's admissions selectivity ratings(s):

COMPARISON GROUP 1 INSTITUTIONS

Institution Name	City	State
Alberta College of Art + Design	Calgary	AB
Algoma University	Sault Ste. Marie	ON
Ambrose University College	Calgary	AB
Athabasca University	Athabasca	AB
Brescia University College	London	ON
Briercrest College and Seminary	Caronport	SK
Canadian University College	Lacombe	AB
Concordia University	Montreal	QC
King's University College at the University of Western Ontario	London	ON
Mount Royal University	Calgary	AB
Quest University Canada	Squamish	BC
Sheridan College Institute of Technology and Advanced Learning	Oakville	ON
Simon Fraser University	Burnaby	BC
Trinity Western University	Langley	BC
Tyndale University College and Seminary	Toronto	ON
Université de Hearst	Hearst	ON

^a See the Comparison Group Selection Criteria Codelist for code details.

COMPARISON GROUP 1 INSTITUTIONS

Institution Name	City	State
Université de Sherbrooke	Sherbrooke	QC
University of Alberta	Edmonton	AB
University of New Brunswick - Saint John Campus	Saint John	NB
University of Victoria	Victoria	BC
Vancouver Island University	Nanaimo	BC
York University	Toronto	ON

Comparison Group 2 Details

This report displays the 2012 comparison group 2 institutions for Cape Breton University. The institutions listed below are represented in the 'Canada -Universities' column of the Respondent Characteristics, Mean Comparisons, Frequency Distributions, and Benchmark Comparisons reports.

HOW GROUP WAS SELECTED

Custom group was selected using institutional characteristics. Your institution added/removed institutions from this list before it was submitted.

SELECTED COMPARISON GROUP CRITERIA ^a

Basic 2010 Carnegie Classification(s):

Carnegie - Undergraduate Instructional Program(s):

Carnegie - Graduate Instructional Program(s):

Carnegie - Enrollment Profile(s):

Carnegie - Undergraduate Profile(s):

Carnegie - Size and Setting(s):

Sector(s) (public/private):

Undergraduate enrollment(s):

Locale(s):

Geographic Region(s): 11

State(s):

Barron's admissions selectivity ratings(s):

COMPARISON GROUP 2 INSTITUTIONS

Institution Name	City	State
Algoma University	Sault Ste. Marie	ON
Athabasca University	Athabasca	AB
Concordia University	Montreal	QC
Mount Royal University	Calgary	AB
Quest University Canada	Squamish	BC
Simon Fraser University	Burnaby	BC
Trinity Western University	Langley	BC
Université de Hearst	Hearst	ON
Université de Sherbrooke	Sherbrooke	QC
University of Alberta	Edmonton	AB
University of New Brunswick - Saint John Campus	Saint John	NB
University of Victoria	Victoria	BC
Vancouver Island University	Nanaimo	BC
York University	Toronto	ON

^a See the Comparison Group Selection Criteria Codelist for code details.

Comparison Group 3 Details

This report displays the 2012 comparison group 3 institutions for Cape Breton University. The institutions listed below are represented in the 'NSSE 2012' column of the Respondent Characteristics, Mean Comparisons, Frequency Distributions, and Benchmark Comparisons reports.

HOW GROUP WAS SELECTED

Your institution did not customize comparison group 3. The default group includes all NSSE 2012 institutions.

SELECTED COMPARISON GROUP CRITERIA ^a

Basic 2010 Carnegie Classification(s):

Carnegie - Undergraduate Instructional Program(s):

Carnegie - Graduate Instructional Program(s):

Carnegie - Enrollment Profile(s):

Carnegie - Undergraduate Profile(s):

Carnegie - Size and Setting(s):

Sector(s) (public/private):

Undergraduate enrollment(s):

Locale(s):

Geographic Region(s):

State(s):

Barron's admissions selectivity ratings(s):

COMPARISON GROUP 3 INSTITUTIONS

Institution Name

City

State

ALL NSSE 2012 INSTITUTIONS

View list at nsse.iub.edu/pdf/2012_comparison_group3.pdf

^a See the Comparison Group Selection Criteria Codelist for code details.