

Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Respondent Characteristics August 2009



National Survey of Student Engagement

NSSE 2009 Respondent Characteristics Indiana University of Pennsylvania

	IUP		PASSHE		Carnegie Class		Selected Peers		
	FY	SR	FY	SR	FY	SR	FY	SR	
Response Rate ^a									
Overall	36%		30%		29%		26%		
By class	35%	39%	27%	33%	25%	32%	23%	29%	
NSSE sample size ^b	3,271	1,727	3,195	3,430	39,885	42,632	23,464	21,121	
Sampling Error ^c									
Overall	1.	1.9%		1.8%		0.6%		0.8%	
By class	2.4%	3.0%	2.9%	2.4%	0.9%	0.7%	1.3%	1.1%	
Number of respondents ^b	1,141	667	852	1,124	10,129	13,448	5,382	6,093	
Total population	3,916	1,727	3,195	3,433	47,077	53,405	43,772	35,117	
Student Characteristics ^d									
Mode of Completion									
Paper	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	1%	2%	2%	
Web	100%	100%	100%	100%	98%	99%	98%	98%	
Enrollment Status ^e									
Full-time	97%	93%	98%	94%	93%	78%	94%	81%	
Less than full-time	3%	7%	2%	6%	7%	22%	6%	19%	
Gender ^e									
Female	66%	64%	68%	65%	66%	65%	58%	57%	
Male	34%	36%	32%	35%	34%	35%	42%	43%	
Race/Ethnicity									
Am. Indian/Native American	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	
Asian/Asian Am./Pacific Isl.	3%	3%	1%	1%	5%	4%	7%	5%	
Black/African American	6%	4%	5%	4%	12%	11%	10%	10%	
White (non-Hispanic)	82%	83%	87%	83%	66%	68%	69%	72%	
Mexican/Mexican American	0%	0%	1%	0%	2%	2%	1%	1%	
Puerto Rican	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	
Other Hispanic or Latino	1%	1%	1%	1%	3%	3%	1%	1%	
Multiracial	2%	1%	1%	1%	3%	2%	3%	2%	
Other	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	
I prefer not to respond	4%	6%	3%	6%	5%	6%	6%	7%	
International Student	5%	3%	3%	3%	6%	5%	5%	4%	
Place of Residence									
On-campus ^f	74%	7%	77%	19%	62%	12%	56%	11%	
Transfer Status									
Transfer students	9%	25%	5%	37%	11%	51%	12%	45%	
Age									
Non-traditional (24 or older)	3%	22%	2%	17%	9%	43%	7%	39%	
Traditional (less than 24)	97%	78%	98%	83%	91%	57%	93%	61%	

^a Response rate (number of respondents divided by sample size) is adjusted for non-deliverable mailing addresses, students for whom contact information was not available, and other students who were sampled yet unavailable during the survey administration.

^b This report is based on information from all randomly selected students for both your institution and your comparison institutions. Targeted and locally administered oversamples (i.e., non-randomly selected students) are not included in this report.

^c Sampling error is an estimate of the margin by which the *true* score for your institution on a given item could differ from the reported score. To interpret the sampling error, assume that 60% of your students reply "very often" to a particular item. If the sampling error is +/-5%, then the true population value is most likely between 55% and 65%.

^d Percent of total respondents within each category. These results are not weighted.

e Institution-reported data. This information was used to weight your Mean Comparisons, Frequency Distributions, and Benchmark Comparisons reports.

^f Students who identified their residence as "dormitory or other campus housing" or "fraternity or sorority house."