

Table 1
Profile of U.S. NSSE 2009 Institutions and Respondents Against All U.S. Baccalaureate-Granting Institutions^a and their Students^a

	Institution-Level		Student-Level	
	NSSE	US ^b	NSSE	US ^b
Carnegie Classification – Basic 2005^c				
RU/VH	5%	6%	15%	21%
RU/H	10%	7%	18%	17%
DRU	6%	5%	8%	8%
Master's L	25%	22%	29%	28%
Master's M	12%	12%	9%	8%
Master's S	7%	8%	4%	4%
Bac/A&S	16%	18%	9%	7%
Bac/Diverse	19%	23%	9%	8%
Sector				
Public	40%	35%	57%	68%
Private	60%	65%	43%	32%
Undergraduate Enrollment				
Fewer than 1,000	13%	19%	3%	2%
1,000 – 2,499	32%	33%	17%	11%
2,500 – 4,999	21%	18%	18%	12%
5,000 – 9,999	15%	15%	20%	20%
10,000 – 19,999	13%	10%	26%	27%
20,000 or more	6%	5%	17%	27%
Region				
New England	9%	9%	7%	6%
Mid East	18%	18%	17%	17%
Great Lakes	16%	15%	16%	16%
Plains	10%	11%	10%	9%
Southeast	26%	24%	26%	23%
Southwest	9%	8%	9%	11%
Rocky Mountains	3%	3%	5%	4%
Far West	8%	10%	8%	12%
Outlying Areas	1%	2%	<1%	2%
U.S. Service Schools	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%
Location				
City	49%	46%	57%	60%
Suburban	20%	24%	19%	19%
Town	22%	21%	19%	15%
Rural	9%	9%	5%	6%

RU/VH	Research Universities (very high research activity)
RU/H	Research Universities (high research activity)
DRU	Doctoral/Research Universities
Master's L	Master's Colleges and Universities (larger programs)
Master's M	Master's Colleges and Universities (medium programs)
Master's S	Master's Colleges and Universities (smaller programs)
Bac/A&S	Baccalaureate Colleges-Arts & Sciences
Bac/Diverse	Baccalaureate Colleges-Diverse Fields

- a. Percentages are unweighted and based on U.S. postsecondary institutions that award baccalaureate degrees and belong to one of the eight Carnegie classes in the table. Totals may not sum to 100% due to rounding.
- b. U.S. percentages are based on data from the 2008 IPEDS Institutional Characteristics File.
- c. For information on the 2005 Carnegie Classifications, see: www.carnegiefoundation.org/classifications.