NSSE participants are able to customize their Institutional Reports by tailoring up to three comparison groups. In May and June of 2008, your institution was invited to select comparison groups via the "Report Info Form" on the Institution Interface. This Selected Comparison Groups Report summarizes how your institution selected its comparison groups and lists the institutions within them.

NSSE reports display results for each institution alongside three comparison group columns. Institutions have the option to customize each column or select a recommended default group of institutions. NSSE comparison groups may be customized in several ways. Contacts may identify specific institutions from the list of all current-year NSSE participants, create the list using institutional criteria, or begin with institutional criteria, then add or remove specific institutions to refine the comparison group.

If an institution does not select a customized comparison group, NSSE provides default comparison groups which we have found to provide relevant comparisons for most institutions. If your institution opted for any of the default groups, they are:

Comparison Group 1 - For institutions not participating in a NSSE consortium, this group contains current-year NSSE institutions in the same geographic region and sector (private/public). For consortium institutions, this groups contains results for the other consortium members and is not customizable.

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 terms "comp. group 1," "comp. group 2," and "comp. group 3" correspond to the selected comparison group locations in the institutional reports. In NSSEville's example below, comp. group 1 is "Mid East Public", comp. group 2 "Carnegie Class" and comp. group 3 "NSSE 2008".

The Selected Comparison Groups report consists of a summary page that details when and how your comparison groups were selected (or if you received the default due to not completing the Report Info Form) and three sections that provide comparison group details for each of the three report columns.
SUMMARY - Comparison Group Selection

This page provides an overview of how your three NSSE 2008 comparison groups were selected. These groups were either (a) submitted by your institution through the Report Info Form located on the NSSE Institution Interface or (b) defaults assigned because your institution did not complete the Report Info Form. Included below are the date the groups were submitted, the method used to pick them, the column labels your institutional contact provided for each group, the number of institutions in each group, and a short description of the group written by the contact at the time of submission. The following pages list the institutions selected for each comparison group.

COMPARISON GROUP 1 SELECTION

Date Submitted: 6/6/08
Selection Method: Comparators for this column were picked from a list of NSSE2008 participants.
Column Label: Selected Peers
Number of Institutions: 8
The Reason Your Institution Provided For Choosing This Group: These are institutions that we selected based on student statistics, student demographics, majors offered, degrees awarded, etc.

COMPARISON GROUP 2 SELECTION

Date Submitted: 6/6/08
Selection Method: DEFAULT GROUP - Institution Selected
Column Label: Carnegie Class
Number of Institutions: 18

COMPARISON GROUP 3 SELECTION

Date Submitted: 6/6/08
Selection Method: DEFAULT GROUP - Institution Selected
Column Label: NSSE 2008
Number of Institutions: 714
The Reason Your Institution Provided For Choosing This Group:
Comparison Group 1 Details

This report displays the 2008 comparison group 1 institutions for Utah Valley University. The institutions listed below are represented in the 'Selected Peers' column of the Respondent Characteristics, Mean Comparisons, Frequency Distributions, and Benchmark Comparisons reports.

HOW GROUP WAS SELECTED

You selected specific institutions from a list of NSSE 2008 participants.

SELECTED PEER GROUP CRITERIA *

- Basic 2005 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 1 INSTITUTIONS

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* See the Comparison Group Selection Criteria Codelist for code details.
Comparison Group 2 Details

This report displays the 2008 comparison group 2 institutions for Utah Valley University. The institutions listed below are represented in the 'Carnegie Class' column of the Respondent Characteristics, Mean Comparisons, Frequency Distributions, and Benchmark Comparisons reports.

HOW GROUP WAS SELECTED

Your institution selected the default group of all institutions with the same 2005 Basic Carnegie Classification.

SELECTED COMPARISON GROUP CRITERIA *

Basic 2005 Carnegie Classification(s): 23
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 2 INSTITUTIONS

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* See the Comparison Group Selection Criteria Codelist for code details.
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Comparison Group 3 Details

This report displays the 2008 comparison group 3 institutions for Utah Valley University. The institutions listed below are represented in the 'NSSE 2008' column of the Respondent Characteristics, Mean Comparisons, Frequency Distributions, and Benchmark Comparisons reports.

HOW GROUP WAS SELECTED

Your institution selected the default group of all U.S. NSSE 2008 institutions

SELECTED COMPARISON GROUP CRITERIA *

Basic 2005 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

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