

Boise State University



About This Report

About Your Engagement Indicators Report

Engagement Indicators (EIs) provide a useful summary of the detailed information contained in your students' NSSE responses. By combining responses to related NSSE questions, each EI offers valuable information about a distinct aspect of student engagement. Ten indicators, based on three to eight survey questions each (a total of 47 survey questions), are organized into four broad themes as shown at right.

Theme	Engagement Indicator
	Higher-Order Learning
Academic Challenge	Reflective & Integrative Learning
J	Learning Strategies
	Quantitative Reasoning
	Collaborative Learning
Learning with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others
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Experiences with Faculty	Student-Faculty Interaction
	Effective Teaching Practices
	Quality of Interactions
Campus Environment	Quality of Interactions
	Supportive Environment

Report Sections

Overview (p. 3)

Displays how average EI scores for your students compare with those of students at your comparison group institutions.

Theme Reports (pp. 4-13)

Detailed views of EI scores within the four themes for your students and those at comparison group institutions. Three views offer varied insights into your EI scores:

Mean Comparisons

Straightforward comparisons of average scores between your students and those at comparison group institutions, with tests of significance and effect sizes (see below).

Score Distributions

Box-and-whisker charts show the variation in scores within your institution and comparison groups.

Performance on Indicator Items

Responses to each item in a given EI are summarized for your institution and comparison groups.

Comparisons with High-Performing Institutions (p. 15) Comparisons of your students' average scores on each EI with those of students at institutions whose average scores were in the top 50% and top 10% of 2017 and 2018 participating institutions.

Detailed Statistics (pp. 16-19)

Detailed information about EI score means, distributions, and tests of statistical significance.

Interpreting Comparisons

Mean comparisons report both statistical significance and effect size. Effect size indicates the practical importance of an observed difference. For EI comparisons, NSSE research has concluded that an effect size of about .1 may be considered small, .3 medium, and .5 large (Rocconi & Gonyea, 2015). Comparisons with an effect size of at least .3 in magnitude (before rounding) are highlighted in the Overview (p. 3).

Els vary more among students within an institution than between institutions, like many experiences and outcomes in higher education. As a result, focusing attention on average scores alone amounts to examining the tip of the iceberg. It's equally important to understand how student engagement varies within your institution. Score distributions indicate how El scores vary among your students and those in your comparison groups. The Report Builder and your Major Field Report (both to be released in the fall) offer valuable perspectives on internal variation and help you investigate your students' engagement in depth.

How Engagement Indicators are Computed

Each EI is scored on a 60-point scale. To produce an indicator score, the response set for each item is converted to a 60-point scale (e.g., Never = 0; Sometimes = 20; Often = 40; Very often = 60), and the rescaled items are averaged. Thus a score of zero means a student responded at the bottom of the scale for every item in the EI, while a score of 60 indicates responses at the top of the scale on every item.

For more information on EIs and their psychometric properties, refer to the NSSE website: nsse.indiana.edu

Rocconi, L., & Gonyea, R. M. (2015, May). Contextualizing student engagement effect sizes: An empirical analysis. Paper presented at the Association for Institutional Research Annual Forum, Denver, CO.



Overview Boise State University

Engagement Indicators: Overview

Engagement Indicators are summary measures based on sets of NSSE questions examining key dimensions of student engagement. The ten indicators are organized within four broad themes: Academic Challenge, Learning with Peers, Experiences with Faculty, and Campus Environment. The tables below compare average scores for your students with those in your comparison groups.

Use the following key:

- **Your students' average** was significantly higher (p < .05) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.
- \triangle Your students' average was significantly higher (p < .05) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.
- -- No significant difference.
- ∇ Your students' average was significantly lower (p < .05) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.
- **Vour students' average** was significantly lower (p < .05) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.

First-Year Students		Your first-year students compared with	Your first-year students compared with	Your first-year students compared with
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	Specific Peer Group	NSSE 2017 & 2018
	Higher-Order Learning			
Academic	Reflective & Integrative Learning			
Challenge	Learning Strategies			
	Quantitative Reasoning	Δ	Δ	Δ
Learning with	Collaborative Learning	Δ	Δ	Δ
Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others			
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction			
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices			
Campus	Quality of Interactions	Δ	Δ	
Environment	Supportive Environment	∇	∇	∇

eniors		Your seniors compared with	Your seniors compared with	Your seniors compared with
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Academic Challenge Boise State University

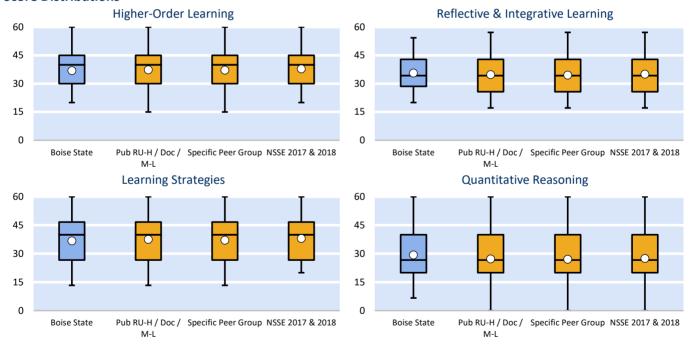
Academic Challenge: First-year students

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Mean Comparisons			Your fi	rst-year studen	ts compared w	ith	
	Boise State	Pub RU-H	/ Doc / M-L Effect	Specific P	eer Group Effect	NSSE 20	17 & 2018 <i>Effect</i>
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size
Higher-Order Learning	37.0	37.3	03	37.2	02	37.8	07
Reflective & Integrative Learning	35.7	34.8	.07	34.6	.09	35.1	.05
Learning Strategies	36.8	37.5	06	37.1	03	38.0	09
Quantitative Reasoning	29.3	27.2 **	.14	27.1 **	.15	27.5 *	.12

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Higher-Order Learning	Boise State	Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	Specific Peer Group	NSSE 2017 & 2018
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much coursework emphasized		7 III E	Cloup	
4b. Applying facts, theories, or methods to practical problems or new situations	% 66	-3	-2	-5
4c. Analyzing an idea, experience, or line of reasoning in depth by examining its parts	68	ן -1	+0	-2
4d. Evaluating a point of view, decision, or information source	68	-1	+0	-2
4e. Forming a new idea or understanding from various pieces of information	67	+0	+1	-1
Reflective & Integrative Learning				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
2a. Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments	57	+6	+6	+6
2b. Connected your learning to societal problems or issues	54	+3	+4	+3
2c. Included diverse perspectives (political, religious, racial/ethnic, gender, etc.) in course discussions or assignments	49	-2	-1	-2
2d. Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue	67	+4	+4	+3
2e. Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective	71	+1	+1	+2
2f. Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept	64	-2	-1	-3
2g. Connected ideas from your courses to your prior experiences and knowledge	78	+2	+3	+1
Learning Strategies				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
9a. Identified key information from reading assignments	77	+3	+5	+1
9b. Reviewed your notes after class	56	-8	-7	-9
9c. Summarized what you learned in class or from course materials	60	-1	-1	-3
Quantitative Reasoning				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
6a. Reached conclusions based on your own analysis of numerical information (numbers, graphs, statistics, etc.)	57	+5	+6	+5
6b. Used numerical information to examine a real-world problem or issue (unemployment, climate change, public health, etc.)	39	+0	+1	-0
6c. Evaluated what others have concluded from numerical information	44	+7	+7	+6

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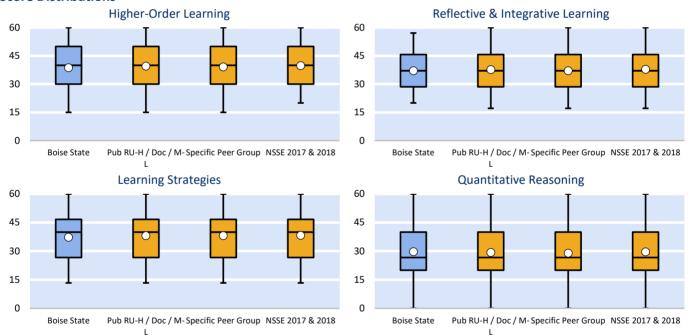
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Reflective & Integrative Learning	37.1	37.7	05	37.1	01	37.8	06
Learning Strategies	37.3	38.1	06	38.1	06	38.3	07
Quantitative Reasoning	29.7	29.3	.03	29.0	.05	29.6	.01

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Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much coursework emphasized	%	,		
4b. Applying facts, theories, or methods to practical problems or new situations	75	-2	-1	-3
4c. Analyzing an idea, experience, or line of reasoning in depth by examining its parts	73	-2	-1	-2
4d. Evaluating a point of view, decision, or information source	66	-3	-2	-4
4e. Forming a new idea or understanding from various pieces of information	71	+1	+2	-0
Reflective & Integrative Learning				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
2a. Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments	70	+0	+2	+1
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2d. Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue	66	+1	+2	-0
Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective	69	-3	-2	-3
2f. Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept	67	-3	-2	-4
2g. Connected ideas from your courses to your prior experiences and knowledge	83	+0	+1	-0
Learning Strategies				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
9a. Identified key information from reading assignments	76	-1	-0	-2
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6a. Reached conclusions based on your own analysis of numerical information (numbers, graphs, statistics, etc.)	56	+1	+1	+0
6b. Used numerical information to examine a real-world problem or issue (unemployment, climate change, public health, etc.)	40	-2	-2	-4
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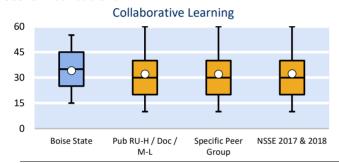
Learning with Peers: First-year students

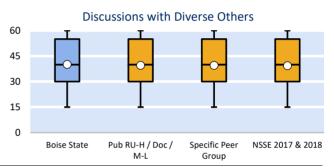
Collaborating with others in mastering difficult material and developing interpersonal and social competence prepare students to deal with complex, unscripted problems they will encounter during and after college. Two Engagement Indicators make up this theme: Collaborative Learning and Discussions with Diverse Others. Below are three views of your results alongside those of your comparison groups.

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	Boise State	Pub RU-H /	Doc / M-L Effect	Specific Pe	er Group Effect	NSSE 201	7 & 2018 Effect
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size
Collaborative Learning	34.1	32.1 **	.14	32.0 **	.15	32.3 **	.12
Discussions with Diverse Others	40.1	39.5	.04	39.6	.03	39.4	.05

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		Pub RU-H / Doc	Specific Peer	NSSE 2017 &
Collaborative Learning	Boise State	/ M-L	Group	2018
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"	%			
1e. Asked another student to help you understand course material	58	+5	+5	+5
1f. Explained course material to one or more students	69	+12	+12	+12
${\tt 1g.\ Prepared\ for\ exams\ by\ discussing\ or\ working\ through\ course\ material\ with\ other\ students}$	49	+1	+1	-1
1h. Worked with other students on course projects or assignments	60	+6	+8	+6
Discussions with Diverse Others				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often" had discussions with				
8a. People from a race or ethnicity other than your own	61	-10	-10	-10
8b. People from an economic background other than your own	72	+1	+1	+0
8c. People with religious beliefs other than your own	75	+8	+9	+9
8d. People with political views other than your own	77	+11	+11	+12

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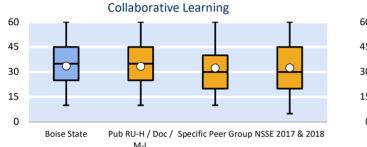
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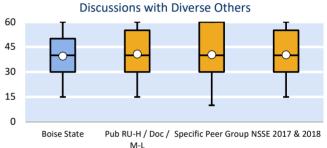
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Discussions with Diverse Others	39.5	40.8	08	40.4	05	40.3	05

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Collaborative Learning	Boise State	/ M-L	Group	2018
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"	%			
1e. Asked another student to help you understand course material	47	+2	+4	+4
1f. Explained course material to one or more students	63	+3	+4	+4
1g. Prepared for exams by discussing or working through course material with other students	45	-3	-1	-2
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8a. People from a race or ethnicity other than your own	65	-9	-8	-7
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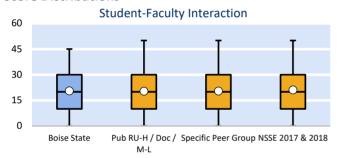
Experiences with Faculty: First-year students

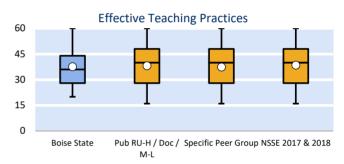
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Student-Faculty Interaction	Boise State	/ M	l-L	Gro	oup	2018 +4 1 -1 -2 -2 -4			
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"	%								
3a. Talked about career plans with a faculty member	40	+4		+4	1	+4			
3b. Worked w/faculty on activities other than coursework (committees, student groups, etc.)	19	(-1		-1		-2		
3c. Discussed course topics, ideas, or concepts with a faculty member outside of class	22	(-2		-2		-4		
3d. Discussed your academic performance with a faculty member	24		-4		-4		-6		
Effective Teaching Practices									
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much instructors have									
5a. Clearly explained course goals and requirements	76	(-1	+1			-1		
5b. Taught course sessions in an organized way	73	(-1	+0	l		-2		
5c. Used examples or illustrations to explain difficult points	74	+0		+2			-0		
5d. Provided feedback on a draft or work in progress	66	+3		+5		+3	1		
5e. Provided prompt and detailed feedback on tests or completed assignments	55	(-3		-0		-5		

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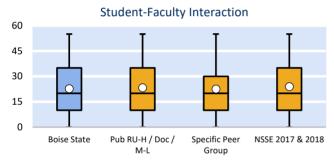
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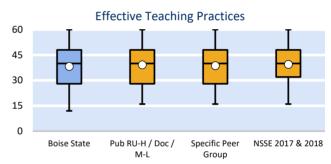
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3a. Talked about career plans with a faculty member	41	-1	+1	-3
3b. Worked w/faculty on activities other than coursework (committees, student groups, etc.)	24	-2	-1	-3
3c. Discussed course topics, ideas, or concepts with a faculty member outside of class	31	+0	+2	-1
3d. Discussed your academic performance with a faculty member	30	-2	-2	-4
Effective Teaching Practices				
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much instructors have				
5a. Clearly explained course goals and requirements	79	-1	+1	-1
5b. Taught course sessions in an organized way	75	-2	<u>l</u> -0	-3
5c. Used examples or illustrations to explain difficult points	73	-4	-2	-4
5d. Provided feedback on a draft or work in progress	58	-2	-0	-2
5e. Provided prompt and detailed feedback on tests or completed assignments	59	-3	-2	-5

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Campus Environment Boise State University

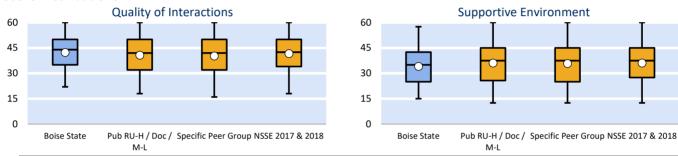
Campus Environment: First-year students

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Mean Comparisons		Yo	ur first-year students compared wi	th
	Boise State	Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	·	NSSE 2017 & 2018
		Effect	Effect	Effect
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean size	Mean size	Mean size
Quality of Interactions	42.3	40.7 ** .13	40.3 *** .16	41.7 .05
Supportive Environment	34.1	36.0 **14	35.8 **13	36.1 **15

Notes: Results weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institution size for comparison groups); Effect size: Mean difference divided by pooled standard deviation; Symbols on the Overview page are based on effect size and p before rounding; *p < .05, **p < .01, ***p < .001 (2-tailed).

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Performance on Indicator Items

The table below displays how your students responded to each EI item, and the difference, in percentage points, between your students and those of your comparison group. Blue bars indicate how much higher your institution's percentage is from that of the comparison group. Dark red bars indicate how much lower your institution's percentage is from that of the comparison group.

		Percentage point d	ifference ^a between yo	ur FY students and
		Pub RU-H / Doc	Specific Peer	NSSE 2017 &
Quality of Interactions	Boise State	/ M-L	Group	2018
$Percentage\ rating\ their\ interactions\ a\ 6\ or\ 7\ (on\ a\ scale\ from\ l="Poor"\ to\ 7="Excellent")\ with$	%			
13a. Students	50	+4	+5	+0
13b. Academic advisors	50	+3	+4	+1
13c. Faculty	46	+2	+3	-2
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	48	+6	+7	+4
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	45	+5	+7	+3
Supportive Environment		· ·		
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much the institution emphasized				
14b. Providing support to help students succeed academically	71	-3	-3	-4
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	70	-6	-6	-6
14d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	50	-13	-12	-12
14e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	71	+0	+0	-0
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	67	-3	-2	-2
14g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	34	-9	-8	-8
14h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	70	+8	+7	+6
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	42	-7	-6	-9

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Campus Environment Boise State University

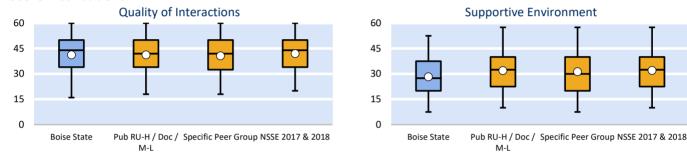
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Mean Comparisons			}	our seniors con	npared with		
	Boise State	Pub RU-H	/ Doc / M-L Effect	Specific P	eer Group Effect	NSSE 201	7 & 2018 <i>Effect</i>
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size
Quality of Interactions	41.2	41.2	.00	40.7	.04	42.0	06
Supportive Environment	28.3	32.0 ***	26	31.3 ***	22	32.0 ***	27

Notes: Results weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institution size for comparison groups); Effect size: Mean difference divided by pooled standard deviation; Symbols on the Overview page are based on effect size and p before rounding; *p < .05, **p < .01, ***p < .001 (2-tailed).

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		Percentage point difference $^{\it a}$ between your seniors and					
		Pub RU-H / Doc	Specific Peer	NSSE 2017 &			
Quality of Interactions	Boise State	/ M-L	Group	2018			
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13a. Students	56	+1	+3	-0			
13b. Academic advisors	47	+1	+1	-4			
13c. Faculty	51	-2	-0	-5			
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	39	-1	-0	-2			
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	40	+1	+2	-1			
Supportive Environment		· ·					
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much the institution emphasized							
14b. Providing support to help students succeed academically	64	-4	-2	-6			
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	59	-4	-4	-6			
14d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	42	-14	-12	-13			
14e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	55	-9	-7	-8			
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	51	-10	-8	-9			
14g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	19	-12	-10	-12			
14h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	53	+3	+3	+2			
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	32	-10	-8	-10			

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First-Year Students

NSSE 2018 Engagement Indicators

Comparisons with High-Performing Institutions Boise State University

Your first-year students compared with

Comparisons with Top 50% and Top 10% Institutions

While NSSE's policy is not to rank institutions (see nsse.indiana.edu/html/position_policies.cfm), the results below are designed to compare the engagement of your students with those attending two groups of institutions identified by NSSE^a for their high average levels of student engagement:

- (a) institutions with average scores placing them in the top 50% of all 2017 and 2018 NSSE institutions, and
- (b) institutions with average scores placing them in the top 10% of all 2017 and 2018 NSSE institutions.

While the average scores for most institutions are below the mean for the top 50% or top 10%, your institution may show areas of distinction where your average student was as engaged as (or even more engaged than) the typical student at high-performing institutions. A check mark (\checkmark) signifies those comparisons where your average score was at least comparable to that of the high-performing group. However, the presence of a check mark does not necessarily mean that your institution was a member of that group.

It should be noted that most of the variability in student engagement is within, not between, institutions. Even "high-performing" institutions have students with engagement levels below the average for all institutions.

rii st- i Cai	Students			Your III'st-ye	ar stude	ents compared with	1			
		Boise State	NSSE 7	Гор 50%		NSSE T	op 10%			
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	Effect size	✓	Mean	Effect size	✓		
	Higher-Order Learning	37.0	38.9 **	15		40.5 ***	27			
Academic	Reflective and Integrative Learning	35.7	36.5	07	✓	38.1 ***	20			
Challenge	Learning Strategies	36.8	39.5 ***	20		41.6 ***	34			
	Quantitative Reasoning	29.3	28.7	.04	✓	30.4	07	✓		
Learning	Collaborative Learning	34.1	35.1	08	✓	37.2 ***	23			
with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	40.1	41.4	09	✓	43.4 ***	22			
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction	20.5	24.3 ***	25		27.2 ***	43			
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	37.6	40.3 ***	21		42.0 ***	32			
Campus	Quality of Interactions	42.3	43.9 **	14		45.9 ***	30			
Environment	Supportive Environment	34.1	37.9 ***	29		39.7 ***	43			
Seniors				Your seniors compared with						
		Boise State	NSSE 7	Гор 50%	NSSE T	NSSE Top 10%				
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	Effect size	✓	Mean	Effect size	✓		
	Higher-Order Learning	38.7	41.3 ***	19		42.5 ***	27			
Academic	Reflective and Integrative Learning	37.1	39.6 ***	20		41.1 ***	33			
Challenge	Learning Strategies	37.3	40.2 ***	20		42.3 ***	36			
	Quantitative Reasoning	29.7	30.7	06	✓	32.7 ***	19			
Learning	Collaborative Learning	33.6	35.7 ***	15		38.1 ***	34			
with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	39.5	41.9 ***	15		43.8 ***	27			
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction	22.7	29.2 ***	41		33.3 ***	66			
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	38.2	41.1 ***	22		43.1 ***	36			
		44.2				46.5				

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41.2

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34.3 ***

-.27

-.44

Quality of Interactions

Environment Supportive Environment

46.5 ***

36.4 ***

-.43

-.59

a. Precision-weighted means (produced by Hierarchical Linear Modeling) were used to determine the top 50% and top 10% institutions for each Engagement Indicator from all NSSE 2017 and 2018 institutions, separately by class. Using this method, Engagement Indicator scores of institutions with relatively large standard errors were adjusted toward the mean of all students, while those with smaller standard errors received smaller corrections. As a result, schools with less stable data—even those with high average scores—may not be among the top scorers. NSSE does not publish the names of the top 50% and top 10% institutions because of our commitment not to release institutional results and our policy against ranking institutions.

b. Check marks are assigned to comparisons that are either significant and positive, or non-significant with an effect size > -.10.



Detailed Statistics^a Boise State University

Detailed Statistics: First-Year Students

	Mea	n statist	ics		Perce	ntile ^d sco	res	Comparison results			results	
		h							Deg. of	Mean	f	Effect
A sa da maia Challanas	Mean	SD ^b	SEM ^c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	freedom ^e	diff.	Sig. ^f	size ^g
Academic Challenge												
Higher-Order Learning	27.0	12.2	60	20	20	40	4.5	60				
Boise State ($N = 420$)	37.0	12.2	.60	20	30	40	45	60	42.026	4	5.67	020
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	37.3	13.3	.06	15	30	40	45	60	42,936	4	.567	028
Specific Peer Group	37.2	13.4	.11	15	30	40	45	60	449	2	.726	016
NSSE 2017 & 2018	37.8	13.2	.03	20	30	40	45	60	181,683	9	.177	066
Top 50%	38.9	13.1	.04	20	30	40	50	60	108,144	-2.0	.002	152
Top 10%	40.5	13.3	.08	20	30	40	50	60	26,017	-3.5	.000	266
Reflective & Integrative Learnin	ng											
Boise State $(N = 447)$	35.7	11.4	.54	20	29	34	43	54				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	34.8	11.9	.06	17	26	34	43	57	45,374	.9	.118	.074
Specific Peer Group	34.6	12.1	.10	17	26	34	43	57	15,931	1.1	.055	.092
NSSE 2017 & 2018	35.1	11.9	.03	17	26	34	43	57	191,768	.6	.269	.052
Top 50%	36.5	11.8	.04	17	29	37	43	57	101,103	8	.166	066
Top 10%	38.1	12.0	.08	20	29	37	46	60	22,101	-2.4	.000	198
Learning Strategies												
Boise State $(N = 401)$	36.8	13.8	.69	13	27	40	47	60				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	37.5	13.8	.07	13	27	40	47	60	38,869	8	.267	056
Specific Peer Group	37.3	13.8	.12	13	27	40	47	60	13,600	4	.606	026
NSSE 2017 & 2018	38.0	13.7	.03	20	27	40	47	60	165,707	-1.3	.061	020
Top 50%	39.5	13.7	.05	20	27	40	53	60	87,679	-2.8	.000	201
Top 10%	41.6	14.1	.10	20	33	40	53	60	21,457	-2.8 -4.8	.000	345
Quantitative Reasoning												
Boise State $(N = 405)$	29.3	14.4	.71	7	20	27	40	60				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	27.2	15.2	.07	0	20	27	40	60	41,967	2.1	.005	.140
Specific Peer Group	27.1	15.3	.13	0	20	27	40	60	14,435	2.2	.004	.146
NSSE 2017 & 2018	27.5	15.3	.04	0	20	27	40	60	177,425	1.9	.014	.122
Top 50%	28.7	15.2	.05	0	20	27	40	60	113,929	.7	.367	.045
Top 10%	30.4	15.3	.09	7	20	27	40	60	27,847	-1.1	.168	069
Learning with Peers												
Collaborative Learning												
Boise State $(N = 478)$	34.1	13.4	.61	15	25	35	45	55				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	32.1	13.8	.06	10	20	30	40	60	47,619	2.0	.002	.142
Specific Peer Group	32.0	14.0	.11	10	20	30	40	60	16,974	2.1	.001	.152
NSSE 2017 & 2018	32.3	14.4	.03	10	20	30	40	60	479	1.8	.004	.125
Top 50%	35.1	13.6	.04	15	25	35	45	60	118,887	-1.0	.095	077
Top 10%	37.2	13.6	.08	15	25	40	45	60	27,027	-3.1	.000	232
Discussions with Diverse Others	c											
Boise State (N = 405)	40.1	15.0	.75	15	30	40	55	60				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	39.5	15.6	.08	15	30	40	55	60	39,245	.6	.420	.040
Specific Peer Group	39.5	15.0	.14	15	30	40	55	60	432	.5	.420	.034
NSSE 2017 & 2018	39.4	15.5	.04	15	30	40	55	60	167,125	.3 .7	.473	.034
Top 50%	41.4	15.0	.05	15	30	40	55	60	107,123	-1.3	.085	086
=	43.4	14.8	.10	20	35	45	60	60	24,573	-3.3	.000	
Top 10%	43.4	14.0	.10	20	33	43	00	00	24,373	-3.3	.000	224



Detailed Statistics^a Boise State University

Detailed Statistics: First-Year Students

	Mea	n statist	ics	Percentile ^d scores				Со	omparison results			
				-					Deg. of	Mean		Effect
	Mean	SD ^b	SEM ^c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	freedom ^e	diff.	Sig. ^f	size ^g
Experiences with Faculty												
Student-Faculty Interaction												
Boise State $(N = 432)$	20.5	13.5	.65	0	10	20	30	45				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	20.4	14.5	.07	0	10	20	30	50	43,969	.1	.849	.009
Specific Peer Group	20.4	14.6	.12	0	10	20	30	50	15,352	.1	.888	.007
NSSE 2017 & 2018	21.1	14.6	.03	0	10	20	30	50	433	6	.356	041
Top 50%	24.3	14.8	.06	5	15	20	35	55	437	-3.8	.000	254
Top 10%	27.2	15.8	.15	5	15	25	40	60	476	-6.7	.000	429
Effective Teaching Practices												
Boise State $(N = 419)$	37.6	12.0	.59	20	28	36	44	60				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	38.1	13.0	.06	16	28	40	48	60	428	5	.413	037
Specific Peer Group	37.4	13.3	.11	16	28	40	48	60	448	.2	.725	.016
NSSE 2017 & 2018	38.5	13.1	.03	16	28	40	48	60	421	9	.134	067
Top 50%	40.3	13.1	.05	20	32	40	52	60	424	-2.7	.000	206
Top 10%	42.0	13.7	.10	20	32	40	52	60	441	-4.4	.000	321
Campus Environment												
Quality of Interactions												
Boise State $(N = 377)$	42.3	11.4	.59	22	35	44	50	60				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	40.7	12.7	.07	18	32	42	50	60	386	1.6	.006	.129
Specific Peer Group	40.3	12.7	.11	16	32	42	50	60	405	2.0	.001	.160
NSSE 2017 & 2018	41.7	12.5	.03	18	34	43	50	60	378	.6	.293	.050
Top 50%	43.9	11.6	.05	22	38	46	52	60	64,699	-1.6	.007	138
Top 10%	45.9	12.1	.10	22	40	48	56	60	14,395	-3.6	.000	296
Supportive Environment												
Boise State $(N = 391)$	34.1	12.2	.62	15	25	35	43	58				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	36.0	13.6	.07	13	26	38	45	60	401	-1.9	.002	142
Specific Peer Group	35.8	13.8	.12	13	25	38	45	60	422	-1.7	.006	125
NSSE 2017 & 2018	36.1	13.6	.03	13	28	38	45	60	393	-2.0	.001	147
Top 50%	37.9	13.2	.05	15	30	40	48	60	85,291	-3.8	.000	292
Top 10%	39.7	13.1	.09	18	30	40	50	60	20,775	-5.6	.000	426

a. Results weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institutional size for comparison groups).

b. Standard deviation is a measure of the amount the individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution.

c. Standard error of the mean, used to compute a confidence interval (CI) around the sample mean. For example, the 95% CI (equal to the sample mean +/- 1.96 x SEM) is the range that is 95% likely to contain the true population mean.

d. A percentile is the point in the distribution of student-level EI scores at or below which a given percentage of EI scores fall.

e. Degrees of freedom used to compute the t-tests. Values vary from the total Ns due to weighting and whether equal variances were assumed.

f. Statistical significance represents the probability that the difference between the mean of your institution and that of the comparison group occurred by chance.

 $g. \ Effect \ size \ is the mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.$



Detailed Statistics^a Boise State University

Detailed Statistics: Seniors

	Mea	ın statist	ics	Percentile ^d scores Comparison results				results				
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	Mean	SD ^b	SEM ^c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	freedom ^e	diff.	Sig. ^f	size ^g
Academic Challenge												
Higher-Order Learning												
Boise State $(N = 551)$	38.7	13.9	.59	15	30	40	50	60				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	39.6	13.8	.06	15	30	40	50	60	53,404	8	.161	060
Specific Peer Group	39.1	14.1	.10	15	30	40	50	60	19,528	4	.492	030
NSSE 2017 & 2018	39.8	13.7	.03	20	30	40	50	60	206,118	-1.1	.057	081
Top 50%	41.3	13.5	.04	20	35	40	55	60	97,099	-2.6	.000	192
Top 10%	42.5	13.7	.08	20	35	40	55	60	29,550	-3.7	.000	273
Reflective & Integrative Learning	g											
Boise State $(N = 571)$	37.1	12.3	.51	20	29	37	46	57				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	37.7	12.5	.05	17	29	37	46	60	55,568	6	.233	050
Specific Peer Group	37.1	12.7	.09	17	29	37	46	60	20,495	1	.898	005
NSSE 2017 & 2018	37.8	12.4	.03	17	29	37	46	60	214,746	8	.135	063
Top 50%	39.6	12.2	.04	20	31	40	49	60	94,765	-2.5	.000	205
Top 10%	41.1	12.2	.09	20	33	40	51	60	20,604	-4.1	.000	333
Learning Strategies												
Boise State $(N = 530)$	37.3	14.6	.64	13	27	40	47	60				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	38.1	14.4	.07	13	27	40	47	60	48,967	8	.183	058
Specific Peer Group	38.1	14.7	.11	13	27	40	47	60	18,002	8	.199	057
NSSE 2017 & 2018	38.3	14.5	.03	13	27	40	47	60	190,961	-1.1	.093	073
Top 50%	40.2	14.4	.04	20	33	40	53	60	102,664	-2.9	.000	204
Top 10%	42.3	14.2	.09	20	33	40	53	60	28,080	-5.1	.000	358
Quantitative Reasoning												
Boise State $(N = 534)$	29.7	16.5	.72	0	20	27	40	60				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	29.3	16.1	.07	0	20	27	40	60	52,398	.5	.488	.030
Specific Peer Group	29.0	16.3	.12	0	20	27	40	60	19,069	.8	.288	.047
NSSE 2017 & 2018	29.6	16.1	.04	0	20	27	40	60	202,301	.1	.852	.008
Top 50%	30.7	16.0	.04	0	20	33	40	60	132,052	9	.175	059
Top 10%	32.7	15.7	.09	7	20	33	40	60	551	-2.9	.000	186
Learning with Peers												
Collaborative Learning												
Boise State $(N = 580)$	33.6	14.5	.60	10	25	35	45	60				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	33.4	14.4	.06	10	25	35	45	60	57,153	.2	.745	.014
Specific Peer Group	32.5	14.6	.10	10	20	30	40	60	21,260	1.1	.072	.076
NSSE 2017 & 2018	32.5	15.0	.03	5	20	30	45	60	220,937	1.1	.084	.072
Top 50%	35.7	13.8	.04	15	25	35	45	60	123,839	-2.1	.000	154
Top 10%	38.1	13.5	.09	15	30	40	50	60	607	-4.5	.000	335
Discussions with Diverse Others												
Boise State (N = 528)	39.5	15.6	.68	15	30	40	50	60				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	40.8	15.0	.07	15	30	40	55	60	40.222	1.2	.081	076
									49,222	-1.2		
Specific Peer Group	40.4	16.3	.12	10	30	40	60 55	60	563	9 o	.197	055
NSSE 2017 & 2018	40.3	15.8	.04	15	30	40	55	60	191,990	8	.276	047
Top 50%	41.9	15.6	.04	15	30	40	60	60	133,912	-2.4	.000	153
Top 10%	43.8	15.5	.09	20	35	45	60	60	32,753	-4.3	.000	275



Detailed Statistics^a Boise State University

Detailed Statistics: Seniors

	Mea	n statist	ics	Percentile ^d scores				Со	mparison	results		
									Deg. of	Mean		Effect
	Mean	SD ^b	SEM ^c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	freedom ^e	diff.	Sig. ^f	size ^g
Experiences with Faculty												
Student-Faculty Interaction												
Boise State $(N = 561)$	22.7	15.9	.67	0	10	20	35	55				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	23.2	15.8	.07	0	10	20	35	55	54,239	5	.416	034
Specific Peer Group	22.5	15.6	.11	0	10	20	30	55	19,910	.2	.736	.014
NSSE 2017 & 2018	23.9	15.9	.03	0	10	20	35	55	209,421	-1.2	.068	077
Top 50%	29.2	15.8	.07	5	20	30	40	60	53,900	-6.5	.000	412
Top 10%	33.3	16.1	.20	10	20	35	45	60	7,334	-10.6	.000	657
Effective Teaching Practices												
Boise State $(N = 551)$	38.2	13.8	.59	12	28	40	48	60				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	39.1	13.7	.06	16	28	40	48	60	53,532	9	.122	066
Specific Peer Group	38.7	14.0	.10	16	28	40	48	60	19,550	5	.398	037
NSSE 2017 & 2018	39.4	13.7	.03	16	32	40	48	60	206,773	-1.2	.041	087
Top 50%	41.1	13.6	.05	16	32	40	52	60	84,210	-3.0	.000	218
Top 10%	43.1	13.7	.10	20	36	44	56	60	17,674	-4.9	.000	360
Campus Environment												
Quality of Interactions												
Boise State $(N = 480)$	41.2	12.5	.57	16	34	44	50	60				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	41.2	12.4	.06	18	34	42	50	60	45,629	.0	.956	003
Specific Peer Group	40.7	12.7	.10	18	33	42	50	60	16,698	.5	.392	.040
NSSE 2017 & 2018	42.0	12.3	.03	20	34	44	50	60	178,710	8	.175	062
Top 50%	44.4	11.9	.05	22	38	46	54	60	69,629	-3.2	.000	267
Top 10%	46.5	12.3	.09	22	40	50	58	60	18,866	-5.3	.000	432
Supportive Environment												
Boise State $(N = 514)$	28.3	12.9	.57	8	20	28	38	53				
Pub RU-H / Doc / M-L	32.0	14.1	.07	10	23	33	40	58	527	-3.7	.000	261
Specific Peer Group	31.3	14.2	.11	8	20	30	40	58	552	-3.0	.000	215
NSSE 2017 & 2018	32.0	14.1	.03	10	23	33	40	58	516	-3.7	.000	266
Top 50%	34.3	13.7	.05	13	25	35	43	60	84,349	-6.0	.000	437
Top 10%	36.4	13.7	.10	13	28	38	45	60	17,635	-8.1	.000	590

 $a.\ Results\ weighted\ by\ institution-reported\ sex\ and\ enrollment\ status\ (and\ institutional\ size\ for\ comparison\ groups).$

b. Standard deviation is a measure of the amount the individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution.

c. Standard error of the mean, used to compute a confidence interval (CI) around the sample mean. For example, the 95% CI (equal to the sample mean +/- 1.96 x SEM) is the range that is 95% likely to contain the true population mean.

d. A percentile is the point in the distribution of student-level EI scores at or below which a given percentage of EI scores fall.

e. Degrees of freedom used to compute the t-tests. Values vary from the total Ns due to weighting and whether equal variances were assumed.

f. Statistical significance represents the probability that the difference between the mean of your institution and that of the comparison group occurred by chance.

g. Effect size is the mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.