



**National Survey  
of Student Engagement**

# California State University-Chico

## Respondent Characteristics

August 2006

	CSU Chico		Selected Peers		Carnegie Peers		NSSE 2006	
	FY	SR	FY	SR	FY	SR	FY	SR
<b>Response Rate<sup>a</sup></b>								
Overall	28%		28%		32%		35%	
By class	24%	32%	27%	30%	30%	33%	33%	36%
NSSE sample size <sup>b</sup>	2,063	1,967	79,727	80,202	117,215	115,444	390,895	358,720
<b>Sampling Error<sup>c</sup></b>								
Overall	2.6%		0.4%		0.3%		0.2%	
By class	4.1%	3.3%	0.6%	0.6%	0.5%	0.4%	0.2%	0.2%
Number of respondents <sup>b</sup>	496	621	21,275	24,004	35,433	37,996	130,753	128,112
Total population	3,513	2,016	132,697	127,969	178,235	169,259	587,848	550,605
<b>Student Characteristics<sup>d</sup></b>								
<i>Mode of Completion</i>								
Paper	38%	43%	4%	6%	4%	6%	4%	6%
Web	62%	57%	96%	94%	96%	94%	96%	94%
<i>Class Level<sup>e</sup></i>	44%	56%	47%	53%	48%	52%	51%	49%
<i>Enrollment Status<sup>e</sup></i>								
Full-time	99%	100%	95%	81%	94%	81%	95%	86%
Less than full-time	1%	0%	5%	19%	6%	19%	5%	14%
<i>Gender<sup>e</sup></i>								
Female	69%	55%	67%	67%	67%	67%	64%	64%
Male	31%	45%	33%	33%	33%	33%	36%	36%
<i>Race/Ethnicity</i>								
Am. Indian/Native American	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Asian/Asian Am./Pacific Isl.	5%	7%	4%	4%	4%	4%	5%	4%
Black/African American	1%	2%	7%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%
White (non-Hispanic)	67%	68%	73%	74%	74%	73%	74%	74%
Mexican/Mexican American	8%	5%	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%
Puerto Rican	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Other Hispanic or Latino	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Multiracial	4%	4%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Other	3%	3%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%
I prefer not to respond	8%	9%	6%	7%	6%	6%	6%	7%
<i>International Student</i>	3%	3%	4%	4%	5%	4%	5%	5%
<i>Place of Residence</i>								
On-campus	52%	1%	60%	10%	65%	13%	71%	20%
Off-campus	48%	99%	40%	90%	35%	87%	29%	80%
<i>Transfer Status</i>								
Transfer students	5%	58%	11%	53%	11%	49%	9%	39%
<i>Age</i>								
Non-traditional (24 or older)	1%	48%	7%	42%	8%	39%	6%	31%
Traditional (less than 24)	99%	52%	93%	58%	92%	61%	94%	69%

<sup>a</sup> 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.

<sup>b</sup> 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.

<sup>c</sup> 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%.

<sup>d</sup> Percent of total respondents within each category. These results are *not* weighted.

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