



**National Survey  
of Student Engagement**

# California State University-Chico

**Respondent Characteristics**

August 2008

	CSU, Chico		California State		Carnegie Class		NSSE 2008	
	FY	SR	FY	SR	FY	SR	FY	SR
<b>Response Rate<sup>a</sup></b>								
Overall	24%		28%		30%		33%	
By class	17%	28%	25%	31%	28%	32%	31%	35%
NSSE sample size <sup>b</sup>	1,927	3,412	26,096	29,567	175,754	183,942	587,754	560,051
<b>Sampling Error<sup>c</sup></b>								
Overall	2.5%		0.7%		0.3%		0.1%	
By class	5.1%	2.8%	1.1%	0.9%	0.4%	0.4%	0.2%	0.2%
Number of respondents <sup>b</sup>	329	953	6,457	9,037	49,034	59,031	182,871	193,959
Total population	2,665	4,898	40,154	54,804	227,953	250,076	766,348	750,277
<b>Student Characteristics<sup>d</sup></b>								
<b>Mode of Completion</b>								
Paper	5%	1%	1%	1%	3%	3%	2%	3%
Web	95%	99%	99%	99%	97%	97%	98%	97%
<b>Class Level<sup>e</sup></b>	26%	74%	42%	58%	46%	54%	49%	51%
<b>Enrollment Status<sup>e</sup></b>								
Full-time	98%	87%	96%	82%	95%	83%	95%	85%
Less than full-time	2%	13%	4%	18%	5%	17%	5%	15%
<b>Gender<sup>e</sup></b>								
Female	66%	60%	64%	60%	67%	67%	64%	64%
Male	34%	40%	36%	40%	33%	33%	36%	36%
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>								
Am. Indian/Native American	0%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Asian/Asian Am./Pacific Isl.	8%	5%	19%	17%	6%	6%	6%	5%
Black/African American	3%	1%	3%	3%	6%	6%	7%	7%
White (non-Hispanic)	63%	68%	42%	44%	69%	69%	70%	71%
Mexican/Mexican American	10%	8%	15%	12%	4%	4%	2%	2%
Puerto Rican	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Other Hispanic or Latino	3%	2%	5%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%
Multiracial	3%	3%	5%	5%	3%	2%	3%	2%
Other	3%	2%	3%	3%	2%	2%	2%	1%
I prefer not to respond	5%	8%	8%	10%	6%	7%	6%	7%
<b>International Student</b>	7%	3%	5%	6%	5%	5%	5%	5%
<b>Place of Residence</b>								
On-campus	67%	2%	46%	4%	64%	12%	72%	21%
Off-campus	33%	98%	54%	96%	36%	88%	28%	79%
<b>Transfer Status</b>								
Transfer students	3%	59%	5%	64%	10%	51%	9%	41%
<b>Age</b>								
Non-traditional (24 or older)	0%	38%	1%	48%	6%	39%	6%	32%
Traditional (less than 24)	100%	62%	99%	52%	94%	61%	94%	68%

<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.