



**National Survey
of Student Engagement**

Tarleton State University

Respondent Characteristics

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|--|----------------|-------|------------------|--------|----------------|---------|---------------------|-------|--|
| | FY | SR | FY | SR | FY | SR | FY | SR | |
| Response Rate^a | | | | | | | | | |
| Overall | 28% | | 24% | | 29% | | 22% | | |
| By class | 25% | 30% | 22% | 26% | 28% | 30% | 18% | 24% | |
| NSSE sample size ^b | 903 | 1,385 | 9,831 | 13,042 | 146,488 | 143,835 | 4,976 | 7,736 | |
| Sampling Error^c | | | | | | | | | |
| Overall | 3.4% | | 1.2% | | 0.3% | | 1.7% | | |
| By class | 5.6% | 4.2% | 2.0% | 1.5% | 0.4% | 0.4% | 3.0% | 2.0% | |
| Number of respondents ^b | 229 | 418 | 2,150 | 3,430 | 41,404 | 43,623 | 920 | 1,863 | |
| Total population | 903 | 1,849 | 16,152 | 17,923 | 189,839 | 201,846 | 6,699 | 9,417 | |
| Student Characteristics^d | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Mode of Completion</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Paper | 1% | 2% | 2% | 6% | 3% | 3% | 4% | 5% | |
| Web | 99% | 98% | 98% | 94% | 97% | 97% | 96% | 95% | |
| <i>Class Level^e</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| | 35% | 65% | 39% | 61% | 49% | 51% | 33% | 67% | |
| <i>Enrollment Status^e</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Full-time | 99% | 76% | 96% | 84% | 95% | 83% | 96% | 81% | |
| Less than full-time | 1% | 24% | 4% | 16% | 5% | 17% | 4% | 19% | |
| <i>Gender^e</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Female | 62% | 68% | 61% | 65% | 68% | 68% | 66% | 70% | |
| Male | 38% | 32% | 39% | 35% | 32% | 32% | 34% | 30% | |
| <i>Race/Ethnicity</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Am. Indian/Native Ame | 1% | 1% | 0% | 1% | 1% | 1% | 1% | 1% | |
| Asian/Asian Am./Pacifi | 1% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 6% | 4% | 2% | 2% | |
| Black/African American | 2% | 7% | 4% | 4% | 6% | 6% | 6% | 6% | |
| White (non-Hispanic) | 80% | 71% | 64% | 63% | 69% | 71% | 52% | 53% | |
| Mexican/Mexican Amer | 7% | 5% | 13% | 11% | 4% | 4% | 19% | 17% | |
| Puerto Rican | 0% | 1% | 0% | 0% | 1% | 1% | 0% | 0% | |
| Other Hispanic or Latin | 2% | 2% | 6% | 8% | 3% | 3% | 11% | 12% | |
| Multiracial | 3% | 5% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 3% | 2% | |
| Other | 1% | 1% | 1% | 1% | 2% | 2% | 1% | 1% | |
| I prefer not to respond | 2% | 5% | 6% | 7% | 6% | 7% | 6% | 6% | |
| <i>International Student</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| | 4% | 4% | 4% | 4% | 4% | 4% | 5% | 4% | |
| <i>Place of Residence</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| On-campus | 78% | 6% | 64% | 8% | 65% | 14% | 57% | 8% | |
| Off-campus | 22% | 94% | 36% | 92% | 35% | 86% | 43% | 92% | |



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| | FY | SR | FY | SR | FY | SR | FY | SR |
| <i>Transfer Status</i> | | | | | | | | |
| Transfer students | 8% | 68% | 10% | 53% | 10% | 49% | 15% | 70% |
| <i>Age</i> | | | | | | | | |
| Non-traditional (24 or over) | 1% | 57% | 2% | 39% | 6% | 38% | 5% | 58% |
| Traditional (less than 24) | 99% | 43% | 98% | 61% | 94% | 62% | 95% | 42% |

^a Response rate (number of respondents divided by sample size) is adjusted for non-deliverable mailing addresses, students for whom contact

^b 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.

^c 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%.

^d Percent of total respondents within each category. These results are *not* weighted.

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