

Interpreting the Frequency Distributions Report

Sample

The Frequency Distributions report is based on information from *all* randomly selected students for both CU-Boulder and AAU peers. Targeted oversamples and other non-randomly selected students are not included in this report.

Class

Frequency distributions are reported separately for first-year students and seniors. Institution-reported class ranks are used.

Variables

The items from the NSSE survey appear in the left column in the same order and wording as they appear on the instrument.

Variable Names

The name of each variable appears in the first column.

Response Options

Response options appear in the second column just as they appear on the instrument.

Weighting

Weights adjusting for gender, enrollment status, and institutional size are applied to the percentage column (%) of this report. Weights are computed separately for first-year students and seniors. Weighted results present a more accurate representation of your institution and comparison group students. *Only the column percents are weighted. The counts are the actual number of respondents. Because the counts are unweighted and the column percentages are weighted, you will not be able to calculate the column percent directly from the count numbers.* For more information about weighting, please visit the NSSE Web site at www.nsse.iub.edu/html/2006_inst_report.htm.

		NSSE 2006 Engagement Item Frequency Distributions ^a									
		University of Colorado at Boulder									
		First-Year Students				Seniors					
		CU Boulder		AAUDE		CU Boulder		AAUDE			
	Variable	Response Options	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	
la.	Asked questions in class or contributed to class discussions	CLQUEST	Never	41	6%	249	4%	12	2%	161	3%
		Sometimes	300	46%	2718	45%	219	35%	2171	36%	
		Often	215	33%	2033	35%	193	30%	1996	33%	
		Very often	93	14%	989	17%	209	33%	1640	28%	
		Total	649	100%	5989	100%	633	100%	5968	100%	
b.	Made a class presentation	CLPRESEN	Never	164	25%	1268	20%	28	4%	341	6%
		Sometimes	373	57%	3548	60%	294	47%	2716	46%	
		Often	95	14%	972	17%	213	33%	1928	32%	
		Very often	17	3%	198	4%	98	16%	981	16%	
		Total	649	100%	5986	100%	633	100%	5966	100%	
c.	Prepared two or more drafts of a paper or assignment before turning it in	REWROPAP	Never	115	18%	934	16%	107	17%	1141	19%
		Sometimes	230	35%	2020	34%	262	42%	2459	42%	
		Often	193	30%	1936	32%	168	27%	1507	25%	
		Very often	111	17%	1093	18%	96	15%	859	14%	
		Total	649	100%	5983	100%	633	100%	5966	100%	

Count

The Count column represents the actual number of students who responded to the particular option in each question. *Counts are unweighted.*

Column Percentage (%)

This column represents the *weighted* percentage of students responding to the particular option in each question.