



STRATIFICATION CELLS  
COMPARISON GROUP LIST

Strat Cell	Level	2008 Selectivity		Freshmen Survey				YFCY, CSS, Faculty Surveys		
		SAT Score	ACT Score	1st	2nd	3rd	HBCU	1st	2nd	3rd
<b>Public Universities</b>										
1	low	less than 1070	less than 23	Pub Univ-low	Pub Univ	Bacc Inst		Pub Univ	Pub-Priv Univ/Pub 4yr	Bacc Inst
2	medium	1070 - 1149	23-24	Pub Univ-med	Pub Univ	Bacc Inst		Pub Univ	Pub-Priv Univ/Pub 4yr	Bacc Inst
3	high	1150 or more	25 or more	Pub Univ-hi	Pub Univ	Bacc Inst		Pub Univ	Pub-Priv Univ/Pub 4yr	Bacc Inst
<b>Private Universities</b>										
4	medium	less than 1190	less than 26	Priv Univ-med	Priv Univ	Bacc Inst		Priv Univ	Pub-Priv Univ/Pub 4yr	Bacc Inst
5	high	1190 - 1319	27-28	Priv Univ-hi	Priv Univ	Bacc Inst		Priv Univ	Pub-Priv Univ/Pub 4yr	Bacc Inst
6	very high	1320 or more	29 or higher	Priv Univ-v hi	Priv Univ	Bacc Inst		Priv Univ	Pub-Priv Univ/Pub 4yr	Bacc Inst
<b>Public four-year colleges</b>										
7	low	less than 970	less than 21	Pub 4yr Coll-low	Pub 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst		Pub 4-yr Coll	Pub-Priv Univ/Pub 4yr	Bacc Inst
8	medium	970 - 1029	21	Pub 4yr Coll-med	Pub 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst		Pub 4-yr Coll	Pub-Priv Univ/Pub 4yr	Bacc Inst
9	high	1030 or more	22 or higher	Pub 4yr Coll-hi	Pub 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst		Pub 4-yr Coll	Pub-Priv Univ/Pub 4yr	Bacc Inst
10	unknown			Pub 4yr Coll-low	Pub 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst		Pub 4-yr Coll	Pub-Priv Univ/Pub 4yr	Bacc Inst
<b>Private nonsectarian four-year colleges</b>										
11	low	less than 990	less than 21	Nonsect 4yr Coll-low	Nonsect 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst		Nonsect 4-yr Coll	Priv 4-yr Coll	Bacc Inst
12	medium	990 - 1069	21-22	Nonsect 4yr Coll-med	Nonsect 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst		Nonsect 4-yr Coll	Priv 4-yr Coll	Bacc Inst
13	high	1070 - 1199	23-26	Nonsect 4yr Coll-hi	Nonsect 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst		Nonsect 4-yr Coll	Priv 4-yr Coll	Bacc Inst
14	very high	1200 or more	27	Nonsect 4yr Coll-vhi	Nonsect 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst		Nonsect 4-yr Coll	Priv 4-yr Coll	Bacc Inst
15	unknown			Nonsect 4yr Coll-low	Nonsect 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst		Nonsect 4-yr Coll	Priv 4-yr Coll	Bacc Inst
<b>Catholic four-year colleges</b>										
16	low	less than 980	less than 21	Cath 4yr Coll-low	Cath 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst		Catholic 4-yr Coll	Priv 4-yr Coll	Bacc Inst
17	medium	980 - 1039	21-22	Cath 4yr Coll-med	Cath 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst		Catholic 4-yr Coll	Priv 4-yr Coll	Bacc Inst
18	high	1040 or more	23 or higher	Cath 4yr Coll-hi	Cath 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst		Catholic 4-yr Coll	Priv 4-yr Coll	Bacc Inst
19	unknown			Cath 4yr Coll-low	Cath 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst		Catholic 4-yr Coll	Priv 4-yr Coll	Bacc Inst
<b>Other religious four-year colleges</b>										
20	very low	less than 980	less than 21	Oth Rel 4yr Coll-low	Oth Rel 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst		Oth Relig 4yr Coll	Priv 4-yr Coll	Bacc Inst
21	low	980 - 1029	21	Oth Rel 4yr Coll-low	Oth Rel 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst		Oth Relig 4yr Coll	Priv 4-yr Coll	Bacc Inst
22	medium	1030 - 1089	22	Oth Rel 4yr Coll-med	Oth Rel 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst		Oth Relig 4yr Coll	Priv 4-yr Coll	Bacc Inst
23	high	1090 or more	23 or higher	Oth Rel 4yr Coll-hi	Oth Rel 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst		Oth Relig 4yr Coll	Priv 4-yr Coll	Bacc Inst
24	unknown			Oth Rel 4yr Coll-low	Oth Rel 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst		Oth Relig 4yr Coll	Priv 4-yr Coll	Bacc Inst
<b>Two-year Colleges</b>										
25-29	public			Pub 2yr Coll	Pub 2yr Coll	2yr Coll		Pub 2yr Coll	Pub 2-yr Coll	2-year Coll
30-33	private			Priv 2yr Coll	Priv 2yr Coll	2yr Coll		Priv 2yr Coll	Priv 2-yr Coll	2-year Coll
<b>Historically Black Colleges &amp; Universities</b>										
34	public 4-year colleges			Pub 4yr Coll-low	Pub 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst	Pub Black Coll	Pub 4-yr Coll	Pub-Priv Univ/Pub 4yr	Bacc Inst
35	private 4-year colleges			Nonsect 4yr Coll-low	Nonsect 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst	Priv Black Coll	Nonsect 4-yr Coll	Priv 4-yr Coll	Bacc Inst
36	public 2-yr colleges			Pub 2yr Coll	2yr Coll	2yr Coll	Pub Black Coll	Pub 2-yr Coll	Pub 2-yr Coll	2-year Coll
37	private 2-yr colleges			Priv 2yr Coll	2yr Coll	2yr Coll	Priv Black Coll	Priv 2-yr Coll	Priv 2-yr Coll	2-year Coll
38	Oth. Religious 4-yr colleges			Oth Rel 4yr Coll-low	Oth Rel 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst	Priv Black Coll	Oth Relig 4yr Coll	Priv 4-yr Coll	Bacc Inst
39	Catholic 4-yr colleges			Cath 4yr Coll-low	Cath 4yr Coll	Bacc Inst	Priv Black Coll	Catholic 4-yr Coll	Priv 4-yr Coll	Bacc Inst
40	public universities			Pub Univ-low	Pub Univ	Bacc Inst	Pub Black Coll	Pub Univ	Pub-Priv Univ/Pub 4yr	Bacc Inst
41	private universities			Priv Univ-med	Priv Univ	Bacc Inst	Priv Black Coll	Priv Univ	Pub-Priv Univ/Pub 4yr	Bacc Inst

\*The broad categories of institutional type were defined by data submitted to IPEDS. Selectivity was based on median SAT/ACT composite scores of the entering class as reported to IPEDS.

\*Institutions with unknown selectivity are grouped with the low-selectivity when computing National Norms.

\*The stratification design presented here is used to group schools to develop population weights and should not be used as a measure of institutional or program quality.