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Colorado State University	2008	124	35	2.9	.	83%	61%	65%	39%	16%	99%	22-26	19%	86%	9%
	2009	125	34	2.8	.	83%	62%	64%	37%	17%	99%	22-26	19%	86%	10%
	2010	128	33	2.8	.	82%	61%	63%	37%	17%	99%	22-26	20%	86%	9%
	2011	124	37	63	.	82%	60%	64%	35%	19%	98%	22-27	22%	72%	8%
	2012	128	42	61	.	83%	60%	64%	34%	19%	99%	22-27	23%	81%	7%
	2013	134	40	63	.	83%	60%	64%	33%	19%	99%	22-27	22%	76%	7%
	2014	121	43	2.9	3.6	84%	61%	63%	34%	19%	.	22-27	22%	75%	8%
	2015	121	41	2.9	3.6	85%	60%	64%	37%	19%	.	22-27	22%	77%	9%
2016	127	37	2.9	3.5	85%	63%	65%	38%	18%	.	22-27	21%	80%	10%	
Iowa State University	2008	85	43	3.2	.	85%	60%	66%	38%	16%	95%	22-27	27%	90%	16%
	2009	89	41	3.1	.	85%	61%	66%	35%	17%	94%	22-27	26%	89%	16%
	2010	88	42	3.2	.	85%	61%	67%	34%	18%	95%	22-28	27%	87%	17%
	2011	94	43	68	.	84%	65%	69%	33%	19%	95%	22-28	28%	85%	16%
	2012	97	48	67	.	85%	64%	70%	30%	20%	94%	22-28	29%	81%	15%
	2013	101	47	68	.	86%	62%	68%	30%	21%	94%	22-28	25%	86%	16%
	2014	101	48	3.2	3.8	86%	66%	71%	32%	21%	.	22-28	26%	83%	15%
	2015	106	44	3.2	3.8	87%	66%	68%	30%	23%	.	22-28	25%	85%	14%
2016	108	41	3.2	3.8	87%	67%	69%	31%	24%	.	21-29	26%	87%	13%	
Kansas State University	2008	124	35	2.9	.	80%	56%	59%	59%	8%	94%	21-28	23%	83%	21%
	2009	130	32	2.8	.	80%	57%	57%	52%	10%	95%	21-28	23%	95%	20%
	2010	3rd Tier	NA	2.9	.	79%	61%	58%	45%	11%	95%	20-27	NA	84%	18%
	2011	132	35	64	.	79%	62%	59%	53%	10%	96%	24	22%	55%	17%
	2012	143	39	63	.	79%	60%	60%	49%	11%	95%	21-27	20%	99%	NA
	2013	139	39	63	.	80%	62%	56%	50%	11%	94%	21-27	20%	99%	19%
	2014	135	41	2.9	3.7	81%	54%	58%	40%	13%	.	21-27	20%	99%	18%
	2015	142	36	2.9	3.7	81%	64%	60%	41%	13%	.	21-27	22%	96%	22%
2016	146	33	2.9	3.6	82%	64%	59%	40%	13%	.	22-28	22%	95%	24%	

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Montana State University	2008	3rd Tier	NA	2.6	.	71%	53%	50%	42%	14%	87%	20-26	18%	66%	11%
	2009	3rd Tier	NA	2.4	.	71%	53%	48%	43%	14%	87%	21-26	16%	64%	11%
	2010	3rd Tier	NA	2.5	.	71%	54%	48%	43%	14%	86%	21-27	18%	67%	11%
	2011	183	23	57	.	72%	53%	48%	43%	13%	88%	21-27	17%	64%	10%
	2012	190	30	56	.	72%	53%	47%	44%	14%	88%	21-28	19%	61%	9%
	2013	189	28	56	.	73%	55%	51%	42%	15%	85%	21-27	20%	60%	9%
	2014	201	28	2.5	3.5	74%	58%	49%	41%	15%	.	21-27	18%	58%	8%
	2015	2nd Tier	NA	2.5	3.5	75%	55%	49%	40%	16%	.	21-27	19%	85%	8%
2016	2nd Tier	NA	2.5	3.4	75%	61%	50%	41%	14%	.	21-28	19%	84%	8%	
New Mexico State University	2008	4th Tier	NA	2.5	.	73%	36%	46%	47%	11%	89%	17-23	17%	87%	7%
	2009	4th Tier	NA	2.3	.	73%	40%	44%	51%	9%	89%	17-23	18%	85%	7%
	2010	4th Tier	NA	2.4	.	76%	42%	45%	52%	9%	88%	18-24	19%	82%	7%
	2011	2nd Tier	NA	53	.	76%	46%	45%	45%	11%	87%	18-23	15%	96%	7%
	2012	2nd Tier	NA	52	.	76%	45%	45%	45%	10%	88%	17-23	16%	83%	6%
	2013	189	28	53	.	72%	37%	46%	44%	12%	87%	18-24	21%	80%	6%
	2014	190	29	2.4	3.2	72%	38%	44%	45%	10%	.	18-24	20%	80%	7%
	2015	2nd Tier	NA	2.4	3.4	72%	44%	43%	48%	10%	.	18-24	21%	85%	7%
2016	199	21	2.4	3.4	73%	43%	46%	47%	11%	.	18-24	19%	70%	6%	
Oklahoma State University	2008	3rd Tier	NA	2.7	.	80%	60%	60%	31%	15%	93%	22-27	27%	87%	17%
	2009	3rd Tier	NA	2.6	.	80%	59%	58%	33%	14%	93%	22-27	27%	88%	16%
	2010	3rd Tier	NA	2.6	.	79%	60%	60%	37%	14%	92%	22-27	27%	89%	15%
	2011	132	35	59	.	79%	59%	60%	41%	13%	92%	22-27	27%	86%	15%
	2012	132	41	60	.	79%	59%	59%	39%	12%	92%	22-28	26%	81%	15%
	2013	139	39	59	.	79%	63%	62%	39%	12%	90%	22-27	26%	82%	15%
	2014	142	39	2.6	3.6	79%	64%	62%	35%	12%	.	22-28	28%	78%	15%
	2015	145	35	2.7	3.5	79%	64%	61%	36%	12%	.	22-28	28%	76%	14%
2016	149	32	2.7	3.5	80%	65%	61%	34%	16%	.	22-28	26%	75%	13%	

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Oregon State University	2008	3rd Tier	NA	2.9	.	81%	56%	60%	39%	19%	85%	950-1200	19%	92%	17%
	2009	3rd Tier	NA	2.9	.	81%	56%	61%	40%	20%	86%	950-1190	19%	86%	15%
	2010	3rd Tier	NA	2.9	.	81%	55%	62%	41%	19%	92%	940-1210	21%	84%	14%
	2011	139	33	63	.	82%	56%	60%	37%	21%	81%	940-1190	24%	83%	13%
	2012	138	40	64	.	82%	55%	60%	36%	20%	91%	1010-1250	22%	81%	12%
	2013	139	39	63	.	82%	55%	61%	34%	22%	80%	990-1260	26%	78%	12%
	2014	142	39	2.9	3.7	.	83%	57%	60%	28%	23%	970-1230	26%	79%	12%
	2015	138	37	2.9	3.7	.	83%	53%	61%	28%	23%	970-1220	25%	79%	12%
2016	135	35	2.9	3.6	.	83%	57%	63%	29%	21%	980-1230	27%	78%	10%	
Texas Tech University	2008	3rd Tier	NA	2.7	.	83%	57%	56%	23%	20%	98%	1020-1210	22%	70%	18%
	2009	3rd Tier	NA	2.6	.	83%	59%	56%	24%	22%	97%	980-1190	18%	77%	17%
	2010	3rd Tier	NA	2.7	.	83%	58%	57%	25%	21%	98%	1010-1210	21%	72%	16%
	2011	159	28	61	.	82%	60%	60%	22%	22%	97%	990-1200	21%	68%	16%
	2012	160	35	60	.	82%	61%	63%	22%	24%	94%	1000-1190	21%	72%	15%
	2013	165	33	59	.	81%	62%	61%	24%	24%	94%	1010-1200	22%	66%	14%
	2014	161	35	2.7	3.6	.	82%	60%	62%	23%	25%	1020-1210	20%	64%	13%
	2015	156	32	2.8	3.6	.	82%	58%	59%	24%	20%	1010-1210	22%	66%	13%
2016	168	27	2.7	3.6	.	82%	61%	59%	25%	20%	1000-1200	20%	66%	14%	
University of Arizona	2008	96	41	3.6	.	79%	61%	59%	32%	15%	99%	990-1230	34%	86%	7%
	2009	96	40	3.5	.	79%	61%	56%	38%	12%	99%	970-1220	34%	80%	7%
	2010	102	40	3.5	.	79%	62%	57%	42%	11%	91%	980-1220	32%	81%	6%
	2011	120	38	71	.	79%	63%	58%	39%	12%	92%	950-1220	34%	78%	5%
	2012	124	43	70	.	79%	63%	60%	35%	17%	91%	970-1230	31%	75%	5%
	2013	120	43	70	.	78%	64%	61%	35%	17%	95%	970-1220	30%	71%	6%
	2014	119	44	3.5	3.7	.	78%	63%	61%	37%	17%	983-1230	32%	77%	6%
	2015	121	41	3.5	3.7	.	79%	65%	61%	37%	16%	970-1220	31%	78%	6%
2016	121	39	3.5	3.7	.	80%	64%	60%	39%	15%	970-1220	31%	75%	6%	

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University of Idaho	2008	3rd Tier	NA	2.7	.	79%	55%	55%	49%	8%	98%	20-26	20%	80%	15%
	2009	3rd Tier	NA	2.5	.	78%	55%	55%	51%	8%	95%	20-25	18%	77%	15%
	2010	3rd Tier	NA	2.6	.	76%	54%	57%	52%	8%	93%	20-26	17%	78%	10%
	2011	153	30	60	.	76%	55%	56%	52%	9%	93%	20-26	19%	80%	10%
	2012	160	35	57	.	78%	55%	55%	45%	10%	91%	20-26	19%	77%	11%
	2013	165	33	58	.	79%	56%	51%	48%	11%	93%	20-26	18%	61%	11%
	2014	161	35	2.6	3.5	79%	57%	56%	49%	11%	.	20-26	18%	66%	10%
	2015	166	30	2.6	3.5	79%	54%	54%	49%	11%	.	910-1170	16%	65%	9%
2016	168	27	2.6	3.4	78%	57%	58%	49%	10%	.	910-1170	20%	67%	9%	
University of Nevada-Reno	2008	Unranked	NA	2.5	.	76%	59%	50%	50%	9%	76%	890-1150	NA	86%	10%
	2009	3rd Tier	NA	2.3	.	76%	56%	46%	32%	14%	86%	920-1170	18%	88%	11%
	2010	3rd Tier	NA	2.4	.	76%	56%	48%	36%	14%	99%	930-1170	22%	91%	13%
	2011	191	22	50	.	78%	56%	47%	38%	15%	99%	935-1180	28%	88%	10%
	2012	181	31	51	.	78%	51%	50%	33%	16%	98%	930-1160	27%	91%	9%
	2013	189	28	51	.	78%	56%	53%	33%	18%	99%	940-1170	19%	86%	9%
	2014	181	30	2.3	3.1	79%	55%	54%	34%	19%	.	950-1180	27%	83%	9%
	2015	194	25	2.4	3.2	79%	56%	51%	35%	19%	.	960-1190	23%	84%	9%
2016	187	23	2.3	3.1	80%	58%	55%	36%	17%	.	960-1190	23%	84%	9%	
University of New Mexico	2008	3rd Tier	NA	2.8	.	75%	43%	43%	40%	13%	84%	19-25	20%	73%	10%
	2009	3rd Tier	NA	2.7	.	76%	48%	44%	44%	13%	84%	19-25	22%	71%	10%
	2010	3rd Tier	NA	2.7	.	76%	48%	44%	43%	13%	85%	19-25	20%	68%	9%
	2011	2nd Tier	NA	58	.	77%	50%	43%	41%	14%	85%	19-25	21%	62%	8%
	2012	181	31	58	.	78%	50%	44%	40%	14%	84%	19-25	20%	66%	7%
	2013	179	30	59	.	77%	49%	45%	39%	15%	86%	19-25	20%	64%	7%
	2014	181	30	2.7	3.5	77%	52%	46%	42%	14%	.	19-25	NA	65%	6%
	2015	189	26	2.7	3.6	77%	54%	48%	39%	15%	.	19-25	NA	57%	4%
2016	180	25	2.7	3.6	77%	52%	48%	33%	15%	.	20-25	NA	46%	4%	

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University of Texas at El Paso	2008	4th Tier	NA	2.3	.	68%	29%	29%	30%	13%	83%	907	17%	99%	7%
	2009	4th Tier	NA	2.2	.	68%	32%	29%	31%	12%	82%	919	18%	99%	8%
	2010	4th Tier	NA	2.2	.	69%	29%	31%	36%	11%	82%	940	19%	99%	6%
	2011	2nd Tier	NA	52	.	69%	35%	32%	35%	11%	82%	800-1020	20%	99%	6%
	2012	2nd Tier	NA	53	.	71%	35%	35%	35%	11%	82%	810-1040	18%	99%	5%
	2013	2nd Tier	NA	53	.	72%	32%	37%	30%	13%	81%	810-1020	19%	100%	6%
	2014	2nd Tier	NA	2.2	3.3	.	73%	30%	38%	33%	12%	810-1030	17%	100%	5%
	2015	2nd Tier	NA	2.2	3.3	3.3	73%	36%	37%	33%	12%	17-22	17%	100%	5%
2016	2nd Tier	NA	2.2	3.3	3.3	74%	38%	38%	34%	16%	17-23	18%	100%	NA	
University of Wyoming	2008	3rd Tier	NA	2.6	.	75%	58%	56%	40%	10%	97%	21-26	21%	95%	13%
	2009	3rd Tier	NA	2.5	.	75%	56%	57%	41%	9%	98%	21-26	20%	96%	11%
	2010	3rd Tier	NA	2.5	.	74%	56%	57%	42%	9%	98%	21-27	23%	96%	11%
	2011	153	30	57	.	74%	55%	55%	39%	9%	98%	21-27	22%	96%	10%
	2012	152	37	57	.	73%	56%	53%	42%	10%	97%	21-27	23%	95%	10%
	2013	156	35	57	.	73%	56%	53%	42%	11%	97%	22-27	21%	96%	11%
	2014	161	35	2.6	3.3	.	74%	58%	54%	41%	10%	22-27	22%	96%	10%
	2015	161	31	2.6	3.4	3.4	74%	60%	54%	43%	10%	22-27	23%	96%	9%
2016	168	27	2.6	3.4	3.4	75%	63%	54%	40%	12%	22-27	19%	98%	9%	
Utah State University	2008	3rd Tier	NA	2.6	.	73%	51%	48%	39%	15%	98%	21-26	25%	97%	11%
	2009	3rd Tier	NA	2.5	.	73%	49%	45%	39%	15%	91%	20-27	21%	98%	10%
	2010	3rd Tier	NA	2.6	.	73%	53%	53%	38%	16%	92%	21-27	23%	97%	10%
	2011	170	26	57	.	74%	59%	56%	34%	17%	93%	21-27	24%	98%	9%
	2012	170	33	57	.	74%	58%	56%	32%	18%	92%	21-27	24%	97%	8%
	2013	174	31	57	.	72%	55%	53%	32%	19%	93%	20-26	21%	97%	7%
	2014	190	29	2.4	3.5	.	72%	59%	50%	41%	17%	20-27	19%	97%	7%
	2015	194	25	2.5	3.4	3.4	70%	56%	51%	41%	16%	20-26	19%	98%	6%
2016	2nd Tier	NA	2.5	3.3	3.3	70%	59%	49%	47%	13%	20-26	19%	98%	6%	

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Washington State University	2008	118	37	3.0	.	84%	55%	60%	40%	18%	89%	1000-1210	38%	77%	17%
	2009	116	36	2.9	.	84%	53%	63%	40%	19%	88%	1000-1210	36%	76%	18%
	2010	106	39	3.0	.	83%	56%	67%	41%	18%	89%	1000-1210	44%	72%	18%
	2011	111	40	64	.	83%	56%	69%	39%	20%	88%	970-1200	30%	76%	16%
	2012	115	45	64	.	83%	58%	69%	37%	22%	89%	980-1190	32%	69%	13%
	2013	125	42	63	.	83%	62%	67%	40%	21%	88%	950-1180	26%	82%	12%
	2014	128	42	2.9	3.6	83%	63%	67%	40%	21%	.	930-1170	29%	76%	12%
	2015	138	37	3.0	3.5	82%	62%	65%	37%	20%	.	910-1150	30%	82%	14%
2016	140	34	3.0	3.5	82%	67%	67%	36%	21%	.	910-1130	35%	80%	13%	

Note: In 2011, "Peer Assessment Score" was re-categorized as "Undergraduate Academic Reputation Index" to incorporate the opinions of high school counselors. The new category reflected the combined results of the survey of presidents, provosts and deans, and high school counselors. In 2014, "Peer Assessment Score" was reinstated as an individual category, and the new category "High School Counselor Assessment Score" represents a two-year average of the results from the high school counselor ratings.