

Ohio University Peer University Study Categories and Variables

	Definition	Source
Peer Assessment		
US News Rank (Public)	2009 US News ordinal ranking of public universities in the United States.	US News ¹
US News Peer Assessment Score	Survey of presidents, provosts, admissions directors; maximum score = 5.0.	US News ¹
Freshman Admissions Selectivity		
SAT/ACT 25th-75th percentile	Middle fifty percent in the distribution of freshman scores for either the ACT Composite or the SAT total.	US News ¹
Freshmen in top 10% of HS class	Percent 2007 freshmen in top 10 percent of their high school graduating class.	US News ¹
Freshman Acceptance Rate	Fall 2007 freshman percent admitted of applied.	US News ¹
Retention & Graduation Rates		
Freshman Retention Rate	First-year to second-year percent of students returning; average of last 4 freshman classes.	US News ¹
Actual graduation rate	Six-year graduation rates (average of 1998 - 2001 freshman cohorts).	US News ¹
US News Predicted graduation rate	Difference between predicted and actual 6-year graduation rate for 2001 cohort;	US News ¹
US News 2009 overperform(+)/underperform(-)	predictors are SAT/ACT scores and expenditures per student.	US News ¹
Student Experience		
% of classes under 20	Percent of undergraduate classes with fewer than 20, fall 2007.	US News ¹
% of classes with 50 or more	Percent of classes with 50 or more, fall 2007.	US News ¹
Student/Faculty ratio	US News' calculation of total students divided by number of full-time faculty.	US News ¹
% Living on Campus	Percent of undergraduates living on campus, fall 2007.	US News ¹
Finances		
Total Federal, State, Local, Private Grants & Contracts Revenue	Fiscal year 2006-07 total grants and contracts revenue reported to federal government.	IPEDS ²
Total E & G Expenditures	Fiscal year 2006-07 expenditures reported to IPEDS--instruction, research, service, student services, institutional support, academic support (Educational and General) reported to federal government.	IPEDS ²
Total E & G Expenditures per Student FTE	Educational and general expenditures divided by student FTE.	IPEDS ²
Instruction Expenditures	Fiscal year 2006-07 instruction expenditures reported to federal government.	IPEDS ²
Instruction Expenditures per Student FTE	Instructional expenditures divided by student FTE.	IPEDS ²
Percent Instruction Expenditures/per Total Expenditures	Percent instruction expenditures divided by total E & G expenditures.	IPEDS ²
Research Expenditures	Fiscal year 2006-07 research expenditures reported to federal government.	IPEDS ²
Research Expenditures per Full-Time Faculty	Research expenditures divided by nine-month full-time faculty.	IPEDS ²
Average alumni giving rate (US News)	Percent of alumni solicited who made a donation, average of 2006 & 2007.	US News ¹
NACUBO Endowment Value	2007-2008 endowment value reported to the National Association of College and University Business Officers' annual survey.	NACUBO
Faculty Salary		
Professor Average Salary/Compensation, 2008-09	Average nine-month Salary/Compensation for full-time nine/ten-month professors, 2008-09.	AAUP
Associate Professor Average Salary/Compensation, 2008-09	Average nine-month Salary/Compensation for full-time nine/ten-month associate professors, 2008-09.	AAUP
Assistant Professor Average Salary/Compensation, 2008-09	Average nine-month Salary/Compensation for full-time nine/ten-month assistant professors, 2008-09.	AAUP

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Institutional Characteristics

Medical School	Does the university have an allopathic medical school (AMA) or an osteopathic medical school (AOA)?	AMA
Calendar System	Type of academic calendar.	IPEDS ²
Total FTE Enrollment	Number of fall 2007 full-time students plus one-third of part-time students.	IPEDS ²
Undergrad FTE Enrollment	Fall 2007 full-time undergraduates plus one-third of undergraduates.	IPEDS ²
Graduate FTE Enrollment	Fall 2007 full-time graduate students plus one-third of graduate students.	IPEDS ²
Percent Part Time Undergrad	Fall 2007 percent part-time undergraduate FTE of total undergraduate FTE.	IPEDS ²
Percent Part Time Graduate	Fall 2007 percent part-time graduate student FTE of total graduate student FTE.	IPEDS ²
Percent Graduate Enrollment	Fall 2007 percent graduate FTE of total FTE.	IPEDS ²

Race/Ethnicity

Percent African American	Fall 2007 percent African American students of total (undergraduate and graduate).	IPEDS ²
Percent Hispanic/Latino	Fall 2007 percent Hispanic/Latino students of total (undergraduate and graduate).	IPEDS ²
Percent Asian American	Fall 2007 percent Asian American students of total (undergraduate and graduate).	IPEDS ²
Percent Native American	Fall 2007 percent Native American students of total (undergraduate and graduate).	IPEDS ²
Percent Caucasian	Fall 2007 percent White/Caucasian students of total (undergraduate and graduate).	IPEDS ²
Percent International	Fall 2007 percent International students of total (undergraduate and graduate).	IPEDS ²

Tuition & Financial Aid

Percent of Freshmen Receiving Financial Aid	2006-2007 percent of degree-seeking first-time freshmen receiving any type of financial aid.	IPEDS ²
Percent of Freshmen Receiving Federal Grant Aid	2006-2007 percent of degree-seeking first-time freshmen receiving federal grant aid.	IPEDS ²
Percent of Freshmen Receiving State/Local Grant Aid	2006-2007 percent of degree-seeking first-time freshmen receiving institutional grant aid.	IPEDS ²
Institutional Grant Aid per Total Freshmen	Average of total institutional grant aid awarded to freshmen divided by all freshmen.	IPEDS ²
In-State Undergraduate Tuition & Fees	In-state average tuition and fees for full-time undergraduates, 2006-07.	IPEDS ²
Out-of-State Undergraduate Tuition & Fees	Out-of-state average tuition and fees for full-time undergraduates, 2006-07.	IPEDS ²
In-State Graduate Tuition & Fees	In-state average tuition and fees for full-time graduate students, 2006-07.	IPEDS ²
Out-of-State Graduate Tuition & Fees	Out-of-state average tuition and fees for full-time graduate students, 2006-07.	IPEDS ²

¹US News and World Report America's Best Colleges, 2009 edition

²Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System, National Center for Education Statistics, US Department of Education