

Campus Climate Survey Quick Takes

Quick Takeaways for Saint Michael's College

The EAB Campus Climate Survey is an anonymous online instrument that assesses students' perceptions, behaviors, attitudes, and experiences with regards to sexual violence and diversity and inclusion during the current academic year. EAB works with institutions to customize the structure of the survey and launch the survey on campus in annual spring cohorts.

The spring 2018 cohort included 42 institutions in the United States and Canada.¹ Institutional surveys were generally open for three weeks during the spring 2018 semester. Surveys asked about students' experiences since the beginning of the current school year (fall 2017). The average response rate was **17%**, compared to SMC's response rate of **44%**.

Spring 2018 Cohort Snapshot

42

Participating institutions

455,000+

Students invited to complete the survey

55,000+

Total survey respondents

17%

Average response rate

Characteristics of Spring 2018 Institutions

	Number of Institutions	Number of Respondents	Percent of Aggregate Sample ²
Very Small (<4,000)	9	4,485	8%
Small (4,000-9,999)	14	12,530	21%
Mid-sized (10,000-19,999)	11	20,556	35%
Large (20,000+)	8	20,895	36%
Public	24	40,889	70%
Private	18	17,577	30%

Snapshot of Spring 2018 Respondents

	SP18 Cohort	SMC
Women	65%	68%
White	74%	94%
First Year	21%	30%

1) In the spring 2018 cohort, 40 institutions were in the U.S. and 2 institutions were in Canada.
 2) After cleaning the data, the spring 2018 sample was 58,466 respondents.

Overall Campus Climate

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Respondents' General Perceptions of Campus Climate

Respondents who agreed or strongly agreed with the following statements.

	SP18 Cohort	SP18 Private	SP18 Very Small	SP18 SMC
I feel safe at this school.	93%	96%	94%	92%
I feel close to people at this school.	74%	80%	81%	87%

Respondents' Perceptions of Faculty and Administrators

Respondents who agreed or strongly agreed with the following statements.

	SP18 Cohort	SP18 Private	SP18 Very Small	SP18 SMC
I think faculty are genuinely concerned about my welfare.	83%	89%	91%	94%
I think administrators are genuinely concerned about my welfare.	70%	75%	77%	74%

Respondents Who Considered Leaving

Respondents who seriously considered leaving their school since the beginning of the current school year.

Respondents most commonly considered leaving because they wanted to transfer, struggled with mental health challenges, didn't feel close to anyone at school, experienced financial challenges, and/or they didn't feel welcome or supported at school.

	SP18 Cohort	SP18 Private	SP18 Very Small	SP18 SMC
Yes, all respondents	22%	24%	27%	31%

Experiences with Sexual Violence

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Sexual Violence Prevention Training

Respondents who received prevention information or training since the beginning of the current school year.

A greater share of first year respondents received prevention information or training than all subsequent years. Most spring 2018 cohort respondents received training at new student orientation and found it helpful in improving their knowledge about sexual violence prevention.

	SP18 Cohort	SP18 Private	SP18 Very Small	SP18 SMC
Yes, all respondents	60%	58%	62%	72%
Yes, first year respondents	76%	81%	80%	81%

Experiences with Sexual Violence

Respondents who experienced at least one incident of sexual violence at least one time since the beginning of the current school year.

Types of sexual violence include unwanted incidents of being fondled, kissed, or rubbed up against, attempted sexual penetration, sexual penetration, attempted oral sex, and oral sex. Respondents most commonly experienced being fondled, kissed, or rubbed up against.

	SP18 Cohort	SP18 Private	SP18 Very Small	SP18 SMC
Yes, all respondents	7%	8%	7%	11%

Knowledge and Perceptions of Campus Reporting Options

Respondents who agreed or strongly agreed with the following statements.

	SP18 Cohort	SP18 Private	SP18 Very Small	SP18 SMC
If a friend or I experienced sexual violence, I would know where to go to get help.	78%	89%	91%	89%
If someone were to report an incident of sexual violence to a campus authority, the school would take the report seriously.	79%	79%	84%	84%

Unwanted Sexual Contact Prior to College

Has anyone had or attempted to have unwanted sexual contact with you prior to going to college?

	SP18 Cohort	SP18 Private	SP18 Very Small	SP18 SMC
Yes, all respondents	23%	24%	22%	24%
Yes, women respondents	29%	29%	26%	28%
Yes, men respondents	10%	10%	9%	11%

Experiences with Diversity & Inclusion

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Perceptions of Diversity and Inclusion

Respondents who agreed or strongly agreed with the following statements.

	SP18 Cohort	SP18 Private	SP18 Very Small	SP18 SMC
School leaders are visibly committed to fostering respect for diversity	85%	87%	87%	82%
Diversity is fully embraced within the campus culture	79%	78%	74%	64%
All students feel welcome and supported at this school, regardless of background	76%	78%	71%	57%

Respondents who agreed or strongly agreed with the following statement.

I feel like I need to hide some aspects of my identity to fit in.

	SP18 Cohort	SP18 Private	SP18 Very Small	SP18 SMC
All respondents	39%	36%	38%	39%
Black or African American respondents ³	41%	45%	50%	55%

Experiences with Discrimination and Harassment

Respondents who experienced at least one incident of discrimination or harassment at least one time since the beginning of the current school year.

Harassment or discrimination was described as being shunned, ignored, or intimidated, or acted directly or indirectly toward you in an offensive or hostile manner that interfered with respondents' ability to learn or work.

	SP18 Cohort	SP18 Private	SP18 Very Small	SP18 SMC
Yes, all respondents	18%	17%	20%	24%

Respondents who experienced at least one incident of discrimination or harassment at least one time since the beginning of the current school year were asked if they **formally reported the incident to the school**.

	SP18 Cohort	SP18 Private	SP18 Very Small	SP18 SMC
Yes	11%	15%	13%	14%

³) Response differentials for this question were generally most notable for Black or African American respondents. For a detailed breakdown of this question, see your institution's full data report.