

NCA

National/Provincial Report Data

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National Results



NCA – What is it?

- An annual, cybersecurity self-assessment
- Based on the NIST Cybersecurity Framework (CSF)
- Hosted on a commercial GRC Platform [Alyne]
- Supported by a National team spanning NREN Partners



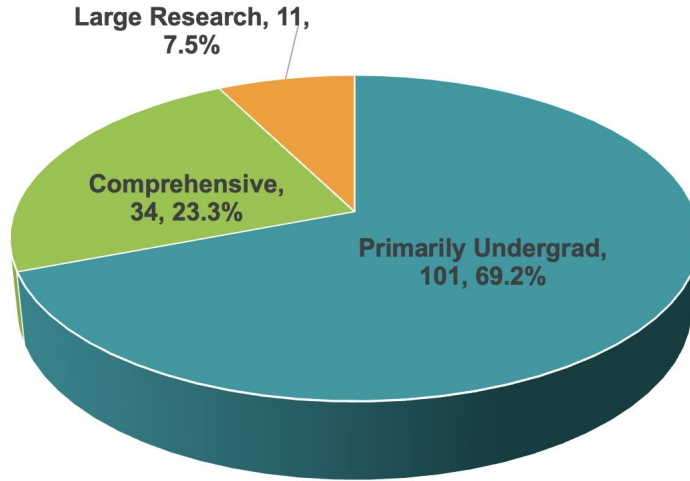
Participation

Total Eligible Organizations: **220**

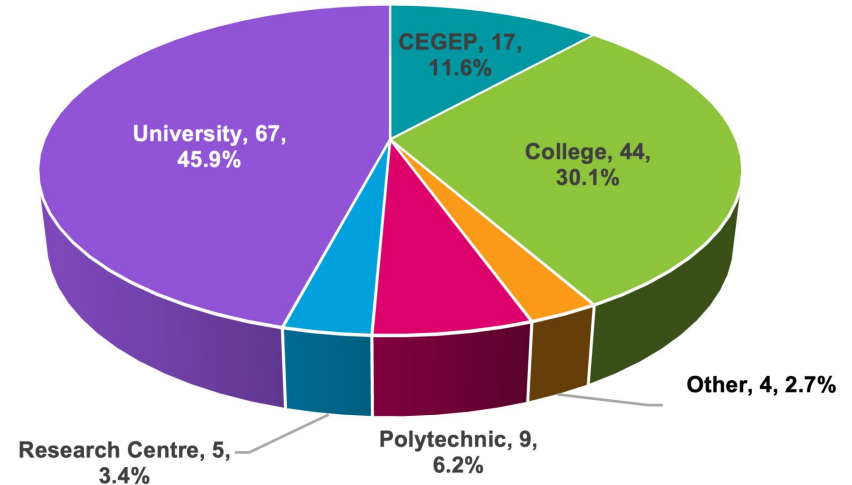
Total Participants: **146**

Total Participation Rate: **66%**

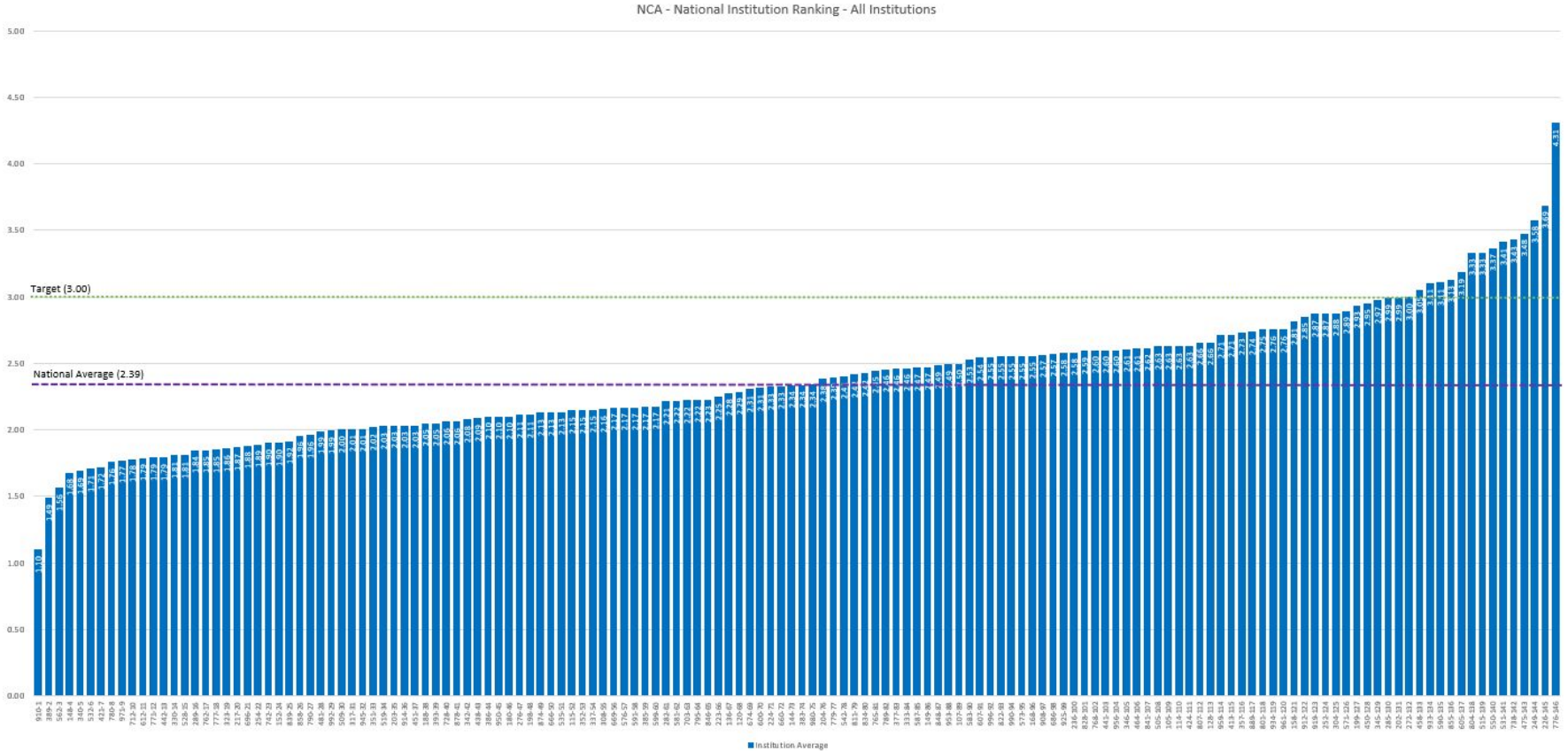
NATIONAL COUNTS - BY GCI



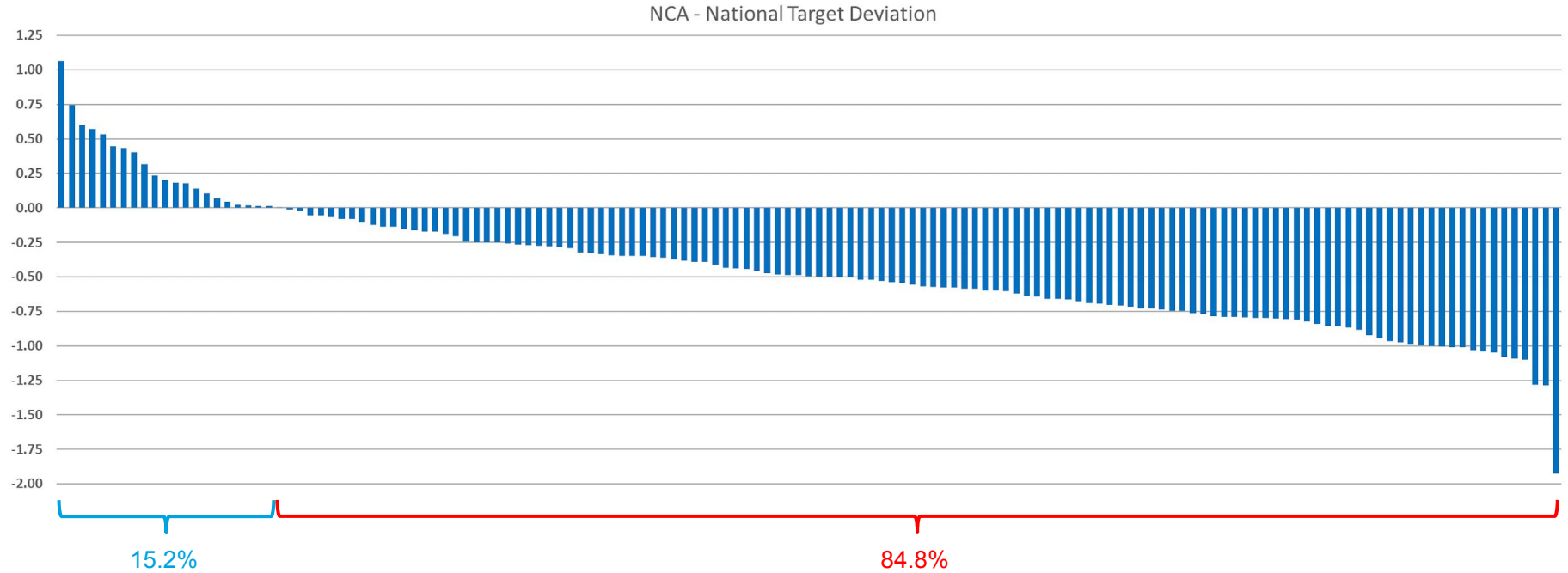
NATIONAL COUNTS - BY TYPE



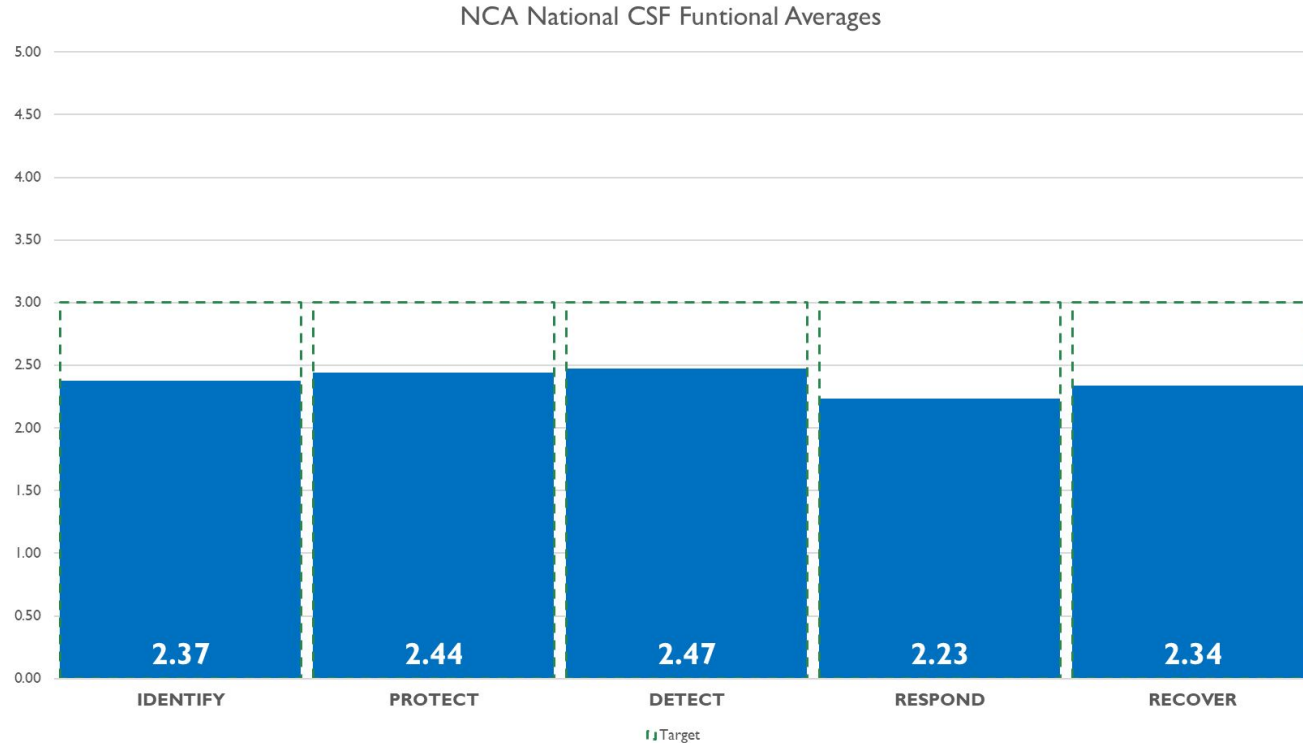
All Participants



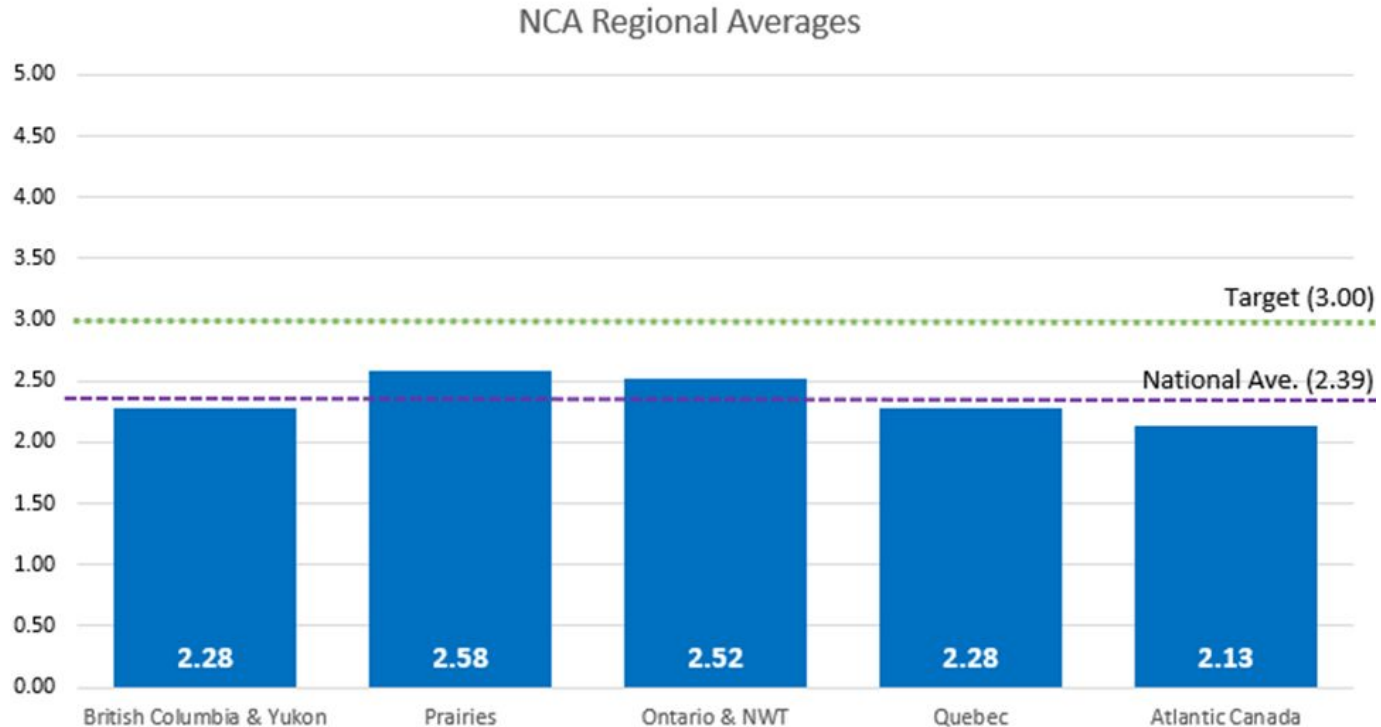
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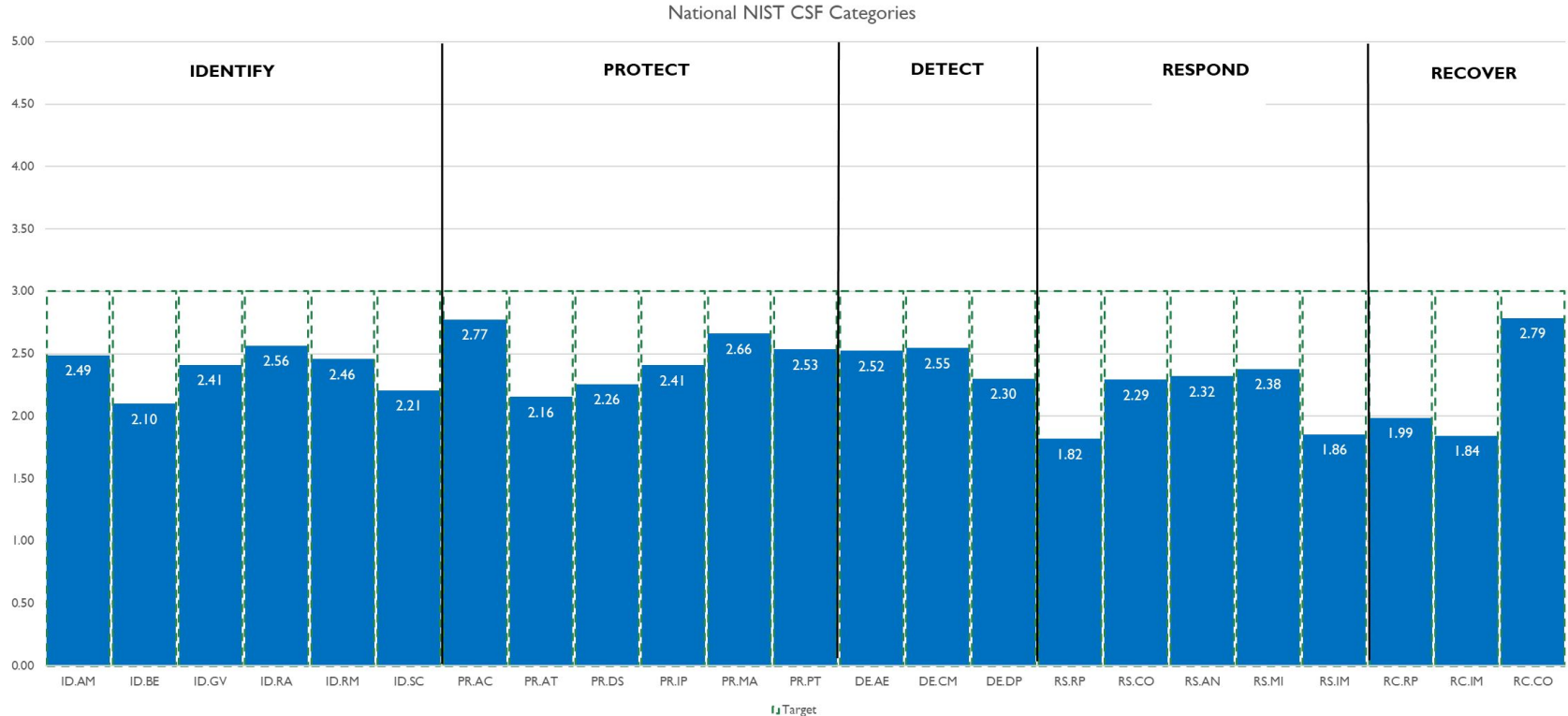
NIST Functions (National)



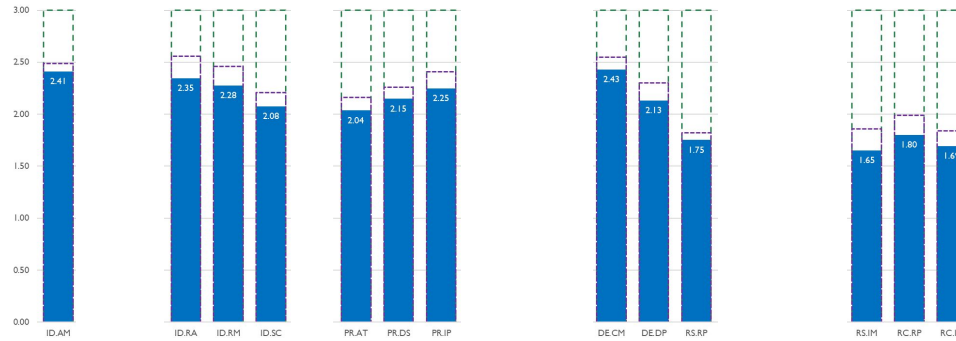
NIST Functions (Regional)



NIST Categories



PRIMARILY
UNDERGRAD



ID – Asset Management

ID – Supply Chain Risk Mgmt.

PR – Awareness and Training

PR – Data Security

PR – Info Protection Proc/Procedures

DE – Security Continuous Monitoring

DE – Detection process

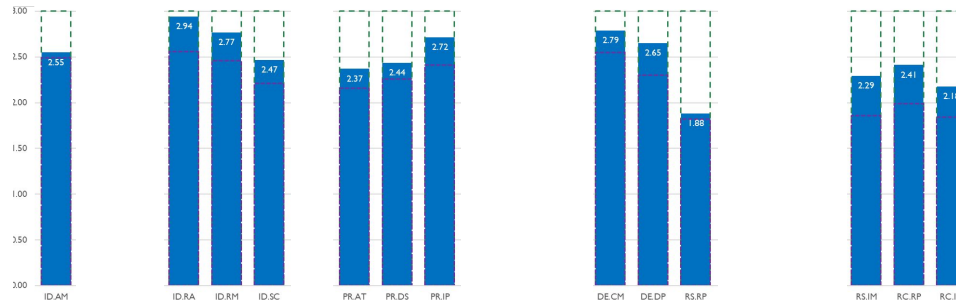
RS – Response Planning

RS – Improvements

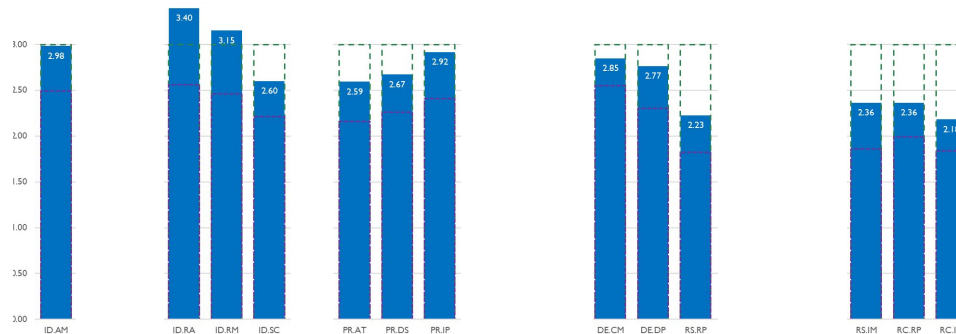
RC – Recovery Planning

RC – Improvements

COMPREHENSIVE

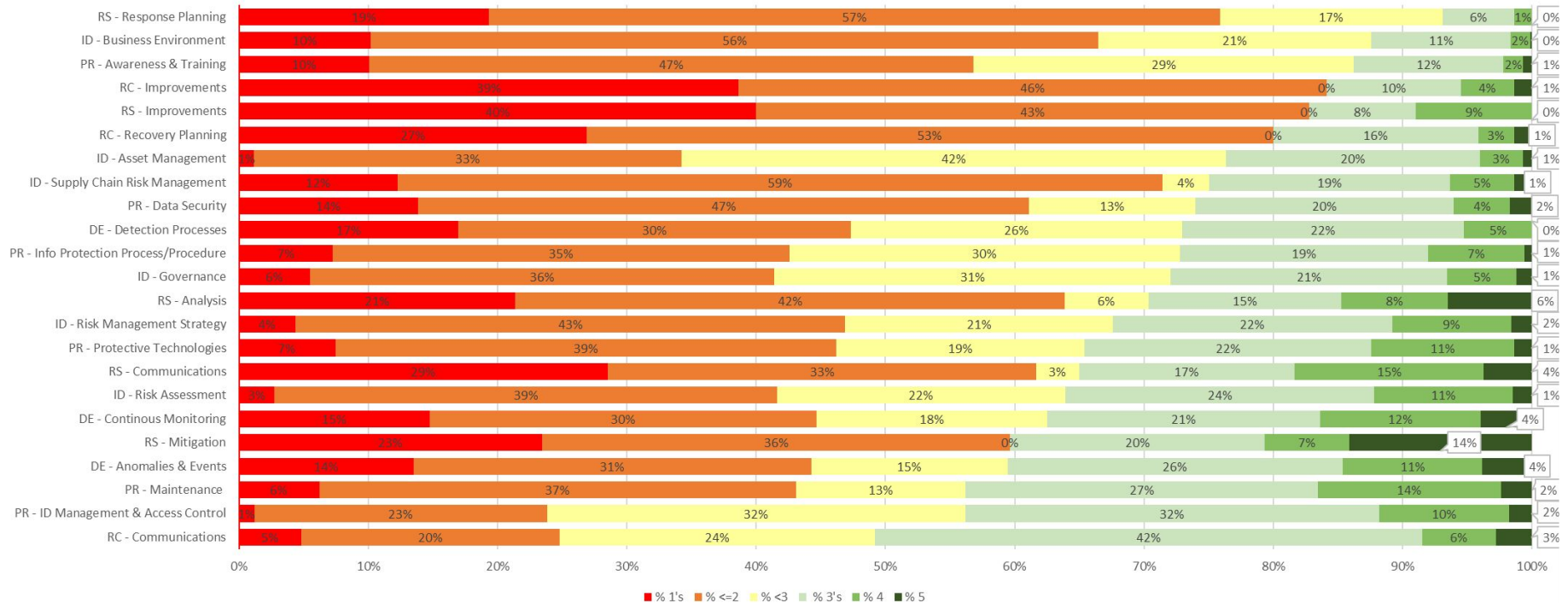


LARGE
RESEARCH

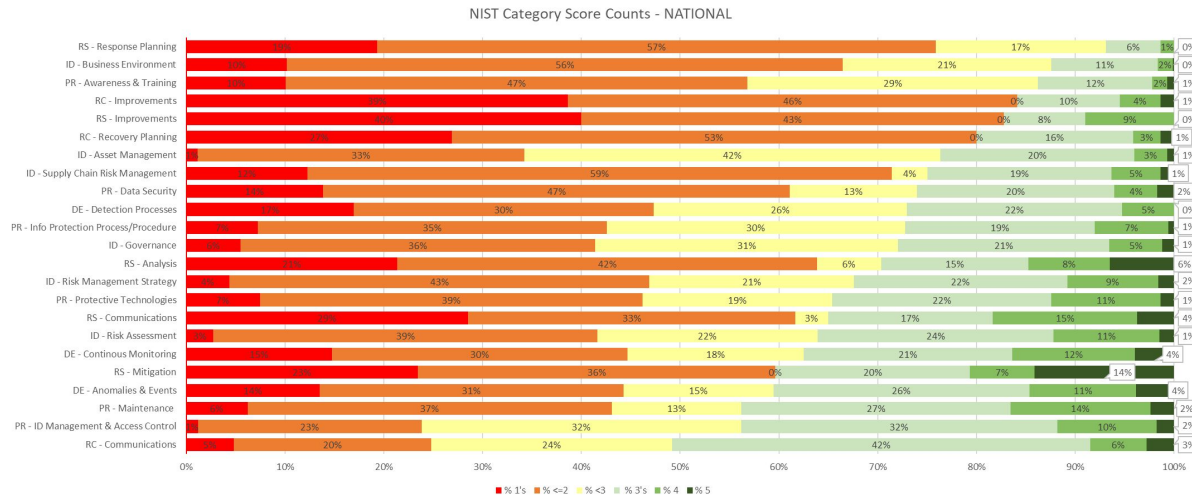


NIST Categories (cont'd)

NIST Category Score Counts - NATIONAL



NIST Categories (cont'd)



RS - Response Planning

ID - Business Environment

PR - Awareness and Training

RS - Improvements

RC - Improvements

RC - Recovery Planning

ID - Asset Management

ID - Supply Chain Risk Mgmt.

PR - Data Security

DE - Detection process

PR - Info Protection Proc/Procedures

ID - Governance

GCI & Low Maturity Counts

GCI (COMMON FOR ALL)

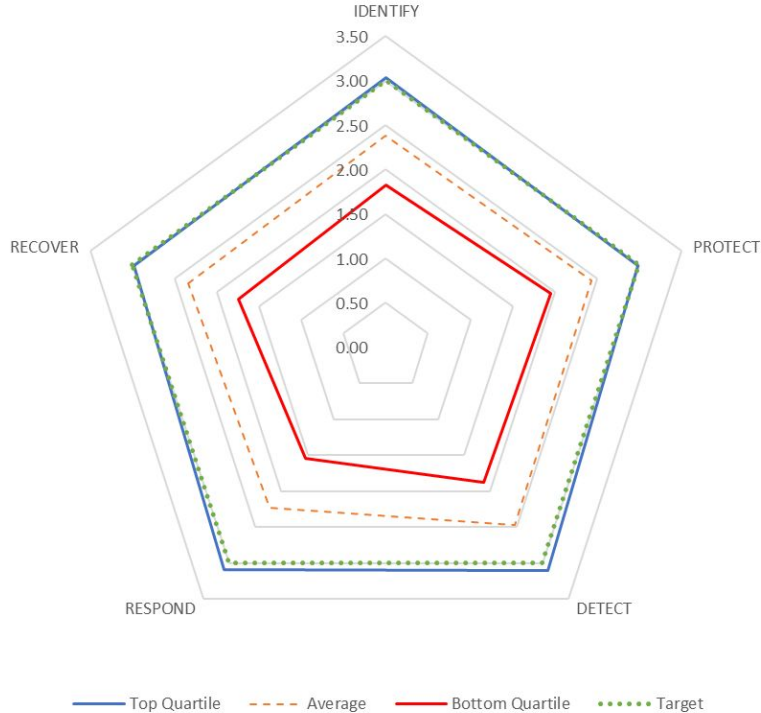
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HEATMAP (SORTED)

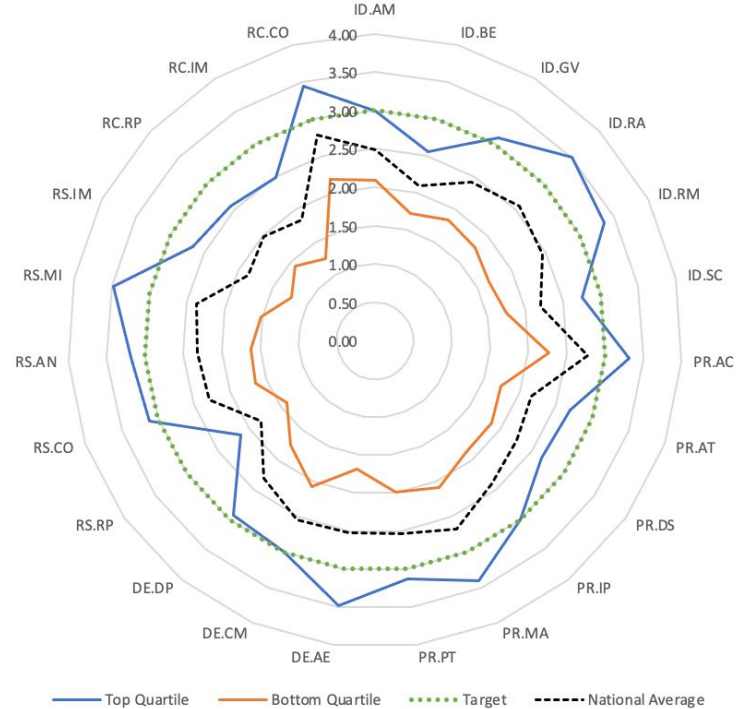
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Top & Bottom Quartiles

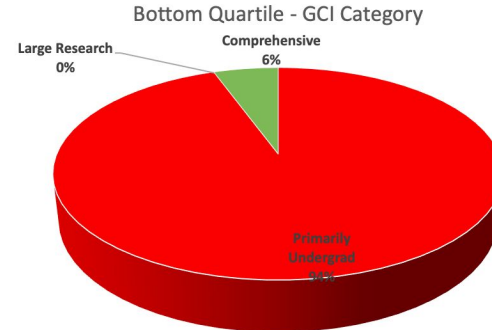
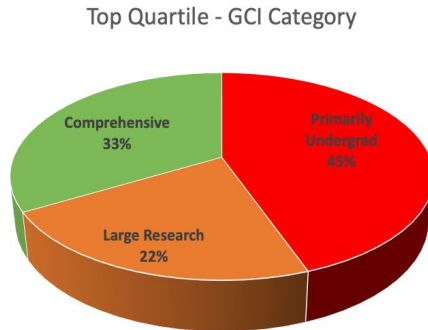
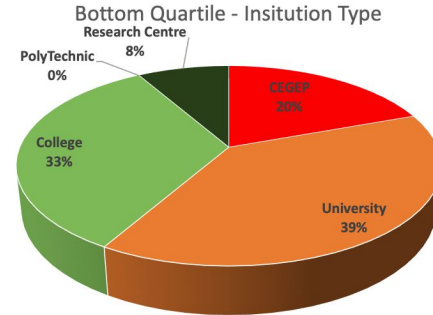
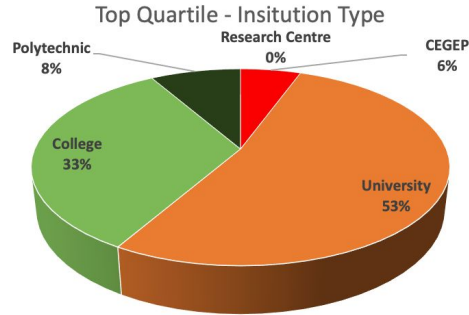
Mean Top/Bottom Quartile – NIST CSF Function



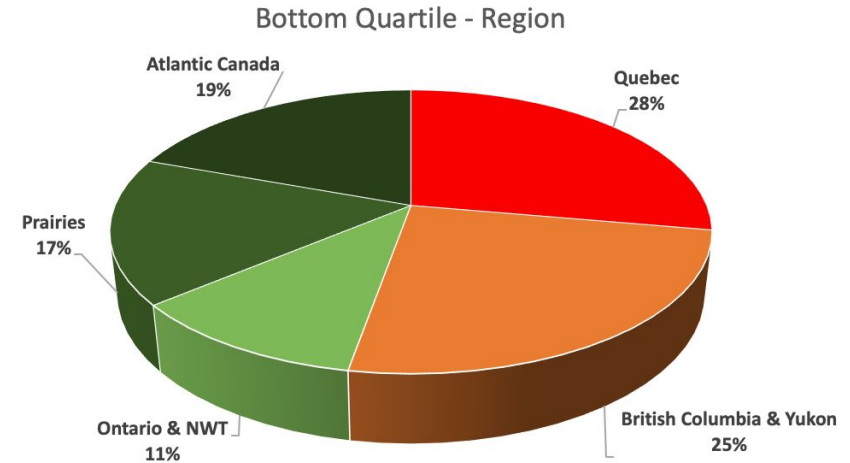
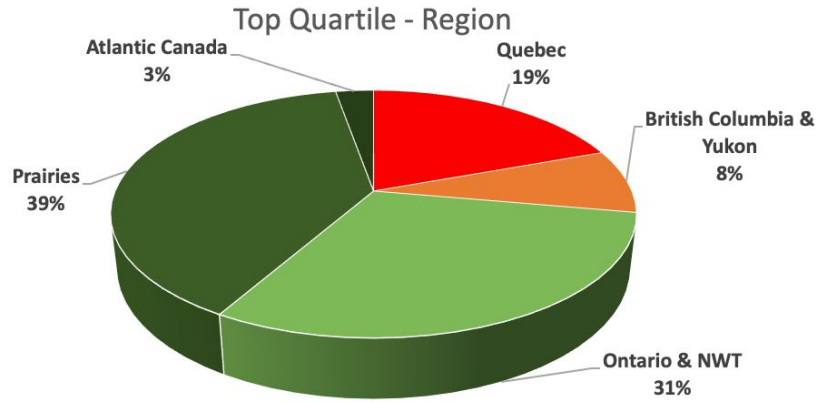
Mean Top/Bottom Quartile - NIST CSF Category



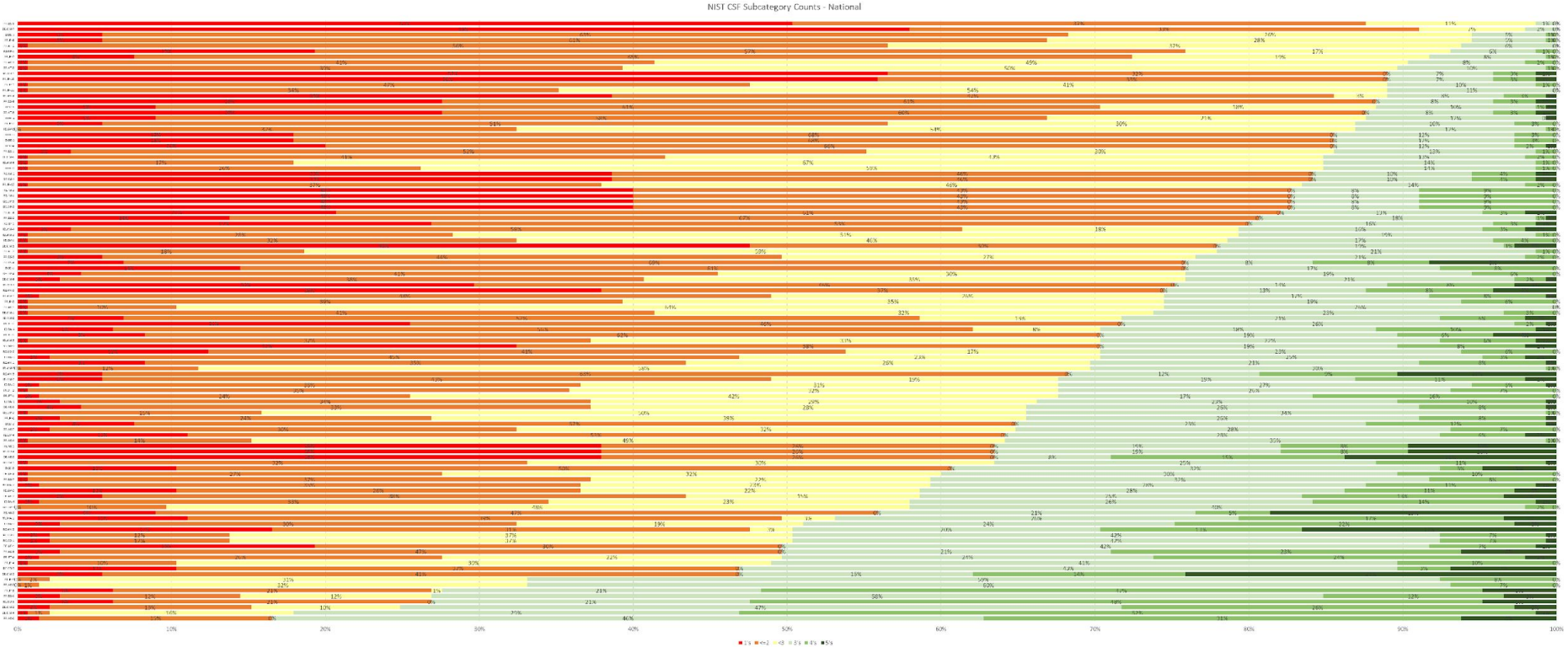
Top & Bottom Quartiles (cont'd)



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NIST Subcategories



NIST Subcategories (cont'd)

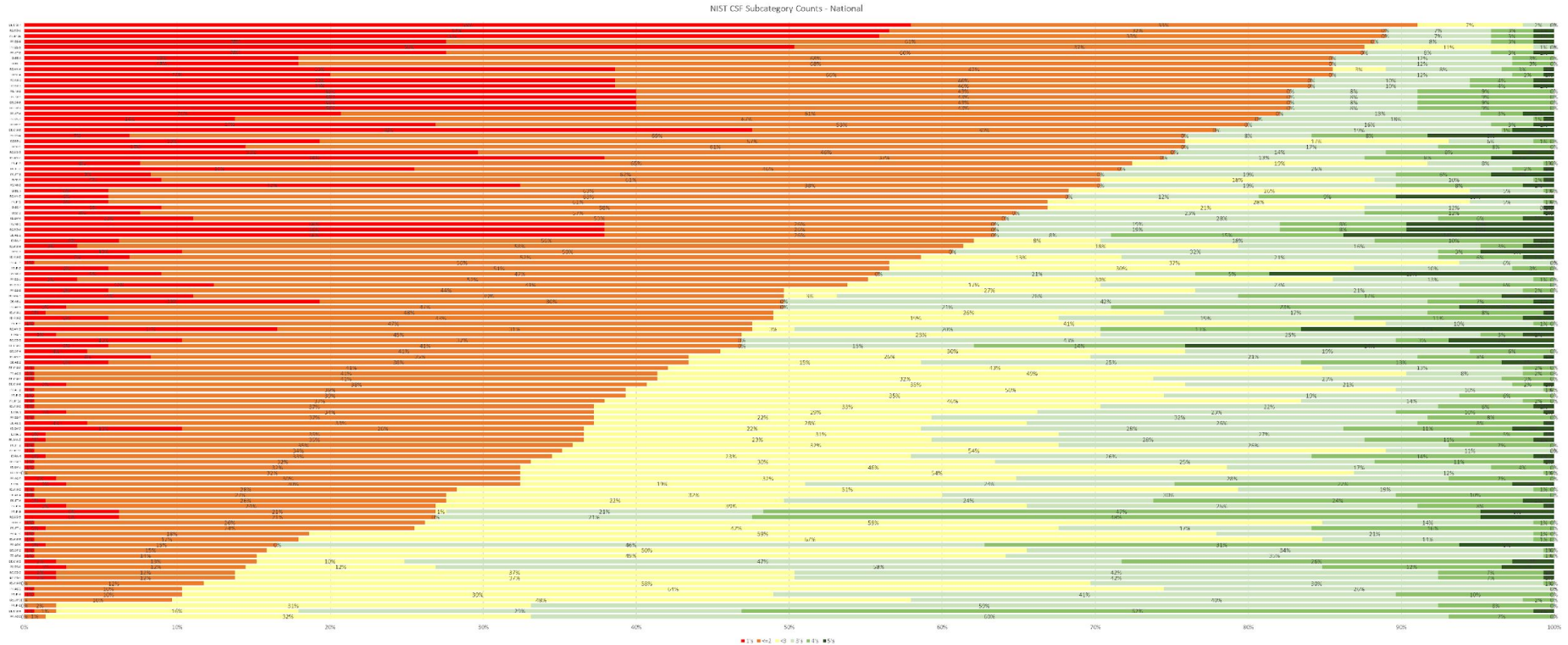
TOP 5 SUBCATEGORIES

1. **PR.AC-2** - Physical access to assets is managed and protected
2. **DE.CM-4** - Malicious code is detected
3. **PR.IP-5** - Policy and regulations regarding the physical operating environment for organizational assets are met
4. **DE.DP-1** - Roles and responsibilities for detection are well defined to ensure accountability
5. **PR.IP-4** - Backups of information are conducted, maintained, and tested

BOTTOM 5 SUBCATEGORIES

1. **DE.CM-7** - Monitoring for unauthorized personnel, connections, devices, and software is performed
2. **RS.CO-1** - Personnel know their roles and order of operations when a response is needed
3. **PR.IP-10** - Response and recovery plans are tested
4. **PR.DS-8** - Integrity checking mechanisms are used to verify hardware integrity
5. **PR.DS-5** - Protections against data leaks are implemented

NIST Subcategories (cont'd)



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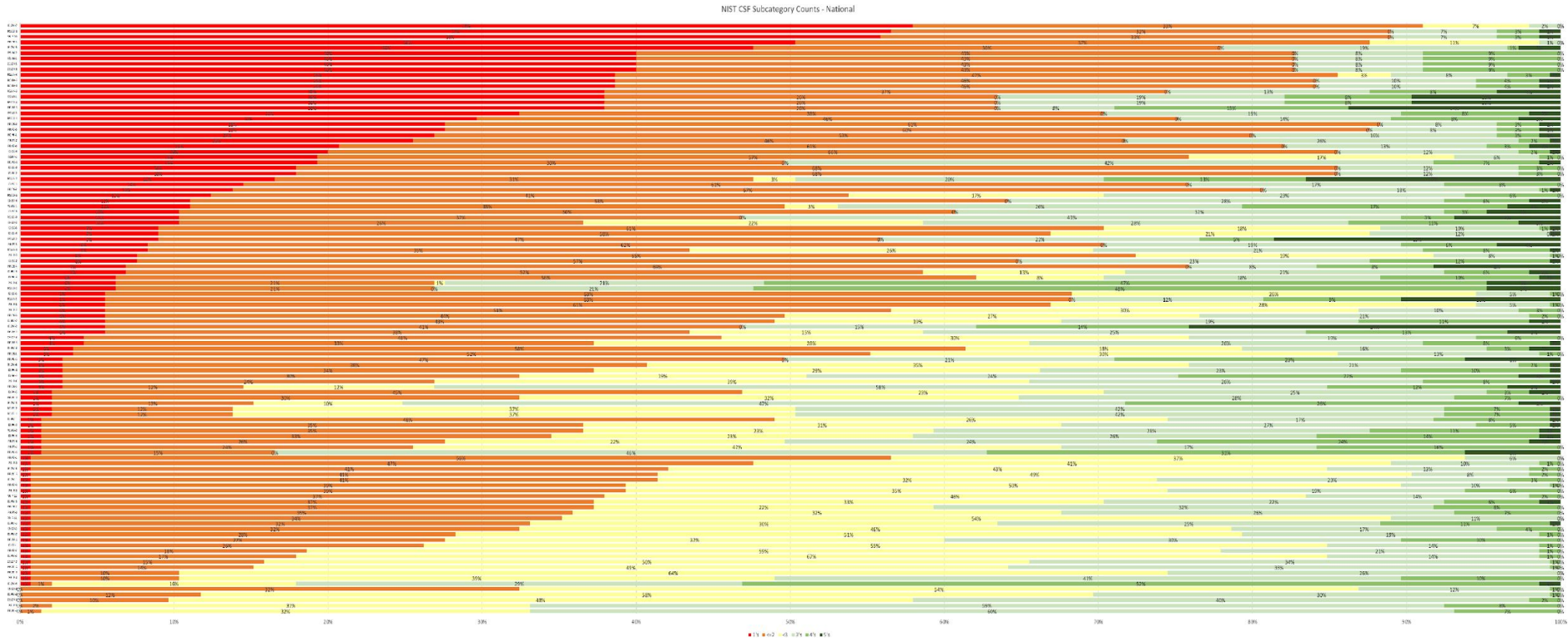
TOP 5 SUBCATEGORIES

1. **PR.AC-6** - Identities are proofed and bound to credentials and asserted in interactions
2. **DE.CM-4** - Malicious code is detected
3. **DE.CM-3** - Personnel activity is monitored to detect potential cybersecurity events
4. **RS.CO-5** - Voluntary information sharing occurs with external stakeholders to achieve broader cybersecurity situational awareness
5. **PR.DS-6** - Integrity checking mechanisms are used to verify software, firmware, and information integrity

BOTTOM 5 SUBCATEGORIES

1. **PR.DS-5** - Protections against data leaks are implemented
2. **DE.CM-7** - Monitoring for unauthorized personnel, connections, devices, and software is performed
3. **ID.BE-5** - Resilience requirements to support delivery of critical services are established for all operating states
4. **PR.IP-9** - Response plans (Incident & Business Continuity) and recovery plans (Incident & DR) are in place and managed
5. **PR.AT-1** - All users are informed and trained

NIST Subcategories (cont'd)



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4. **ID.AM-3** - Organizational communication and data flows are mapped
5. **ID.GV-3** - Legal and regulatory requirements regarding cybersecurity, including privacy and civil liberties obligations, are understood and managed

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5. **DE.CM-5** - Unauthorized mobile code is detected

NIST Subcategories (cont'd)

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1	PR.AC-2	PR.AC-6	PR.AC-2
2	DE.CM-4	DE.CM-4	PR.IP-5
3	PR.IP-5	DE.CM-3	DE.DP-1
4	DE.DP-1	RS.CO-5	ID.AM-3
5	PR.IP-4	PR.DS-6	ID.GV-3

	Bottom 5 SubCats		
	1,2&<3	1,<=2	1's
1	DE.CM-7	PR.DS-5	DE.CM-7
2	RS.CO-1	DE.CM-7	RS.CO-1
3	PR.IP-10	ID.BE-5	PR.IP-10
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NIST Subcategories (cont'd)

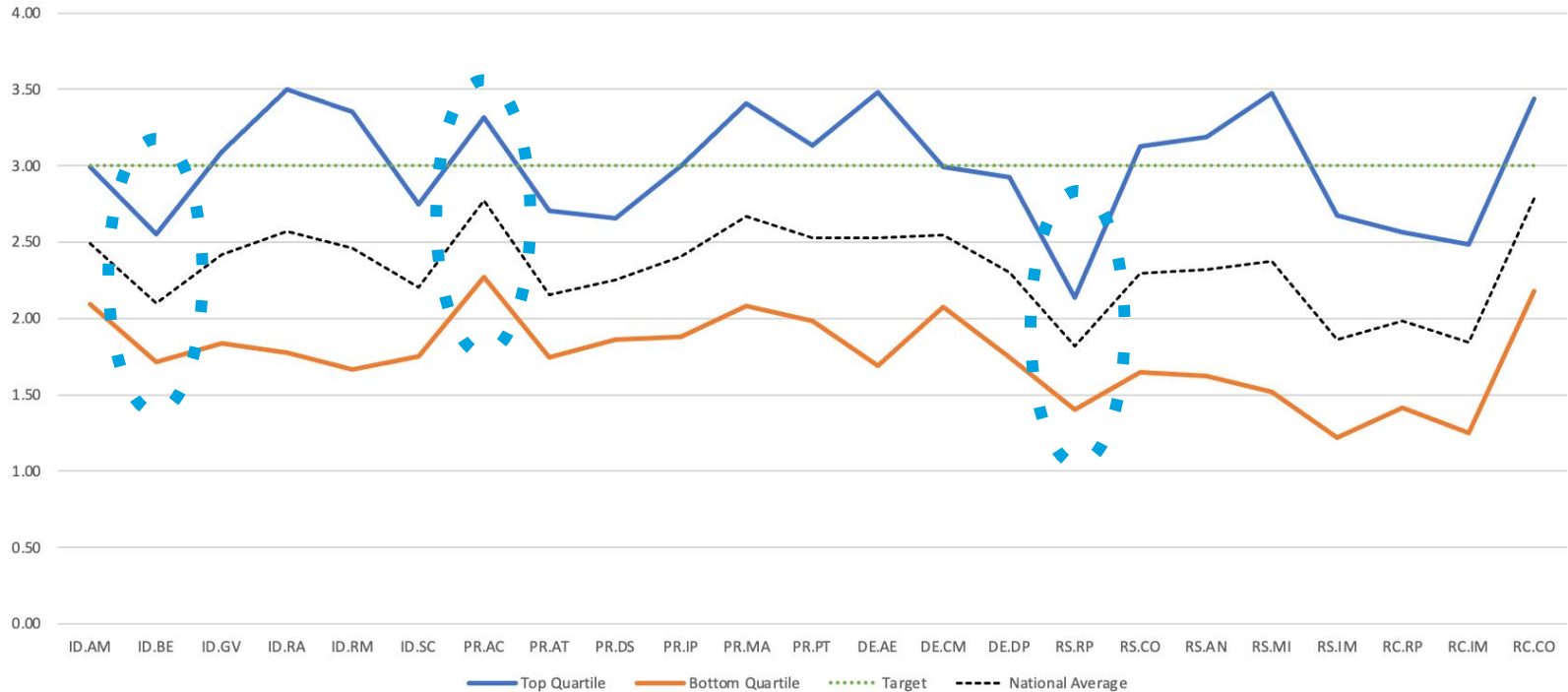
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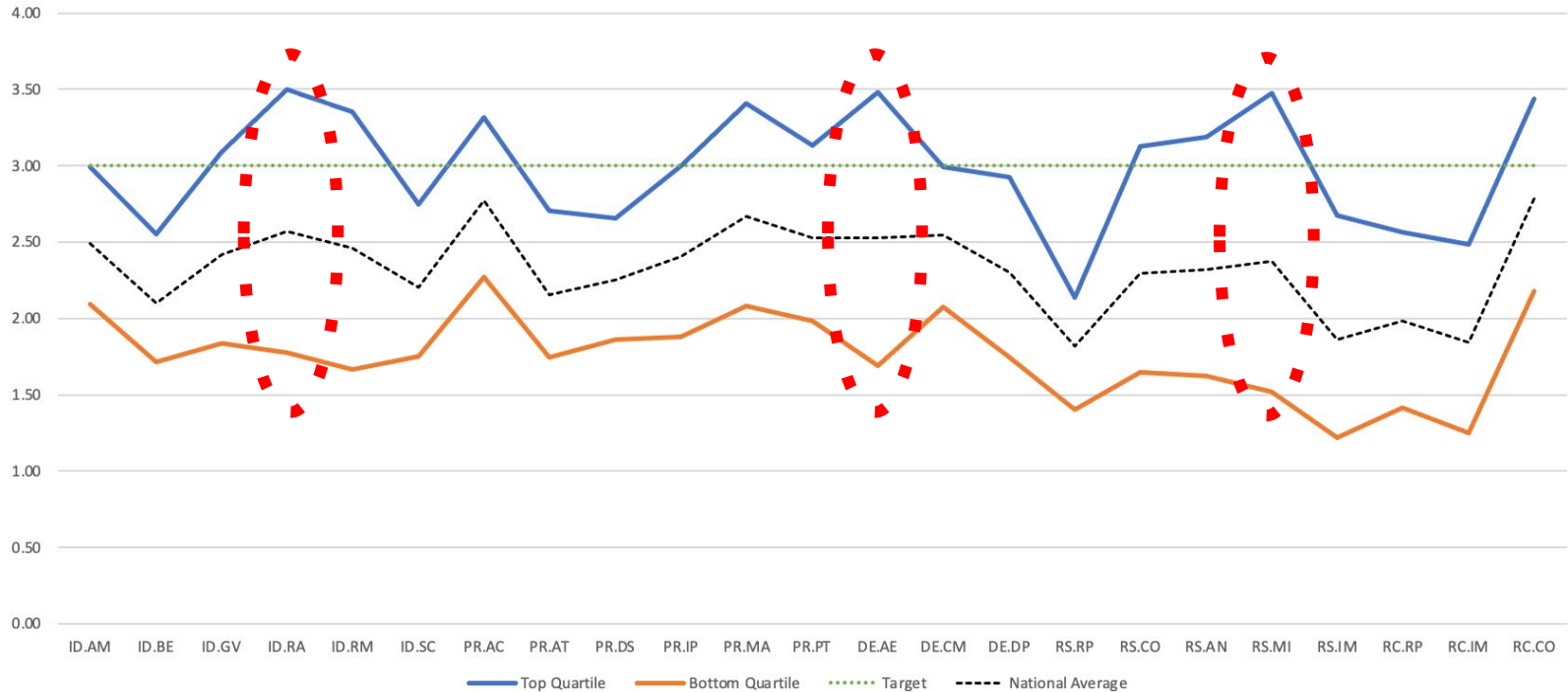
Top & Bottom Quartiles (cont'd)

Mean Top/Bottom Quartile - NIST CSF Category



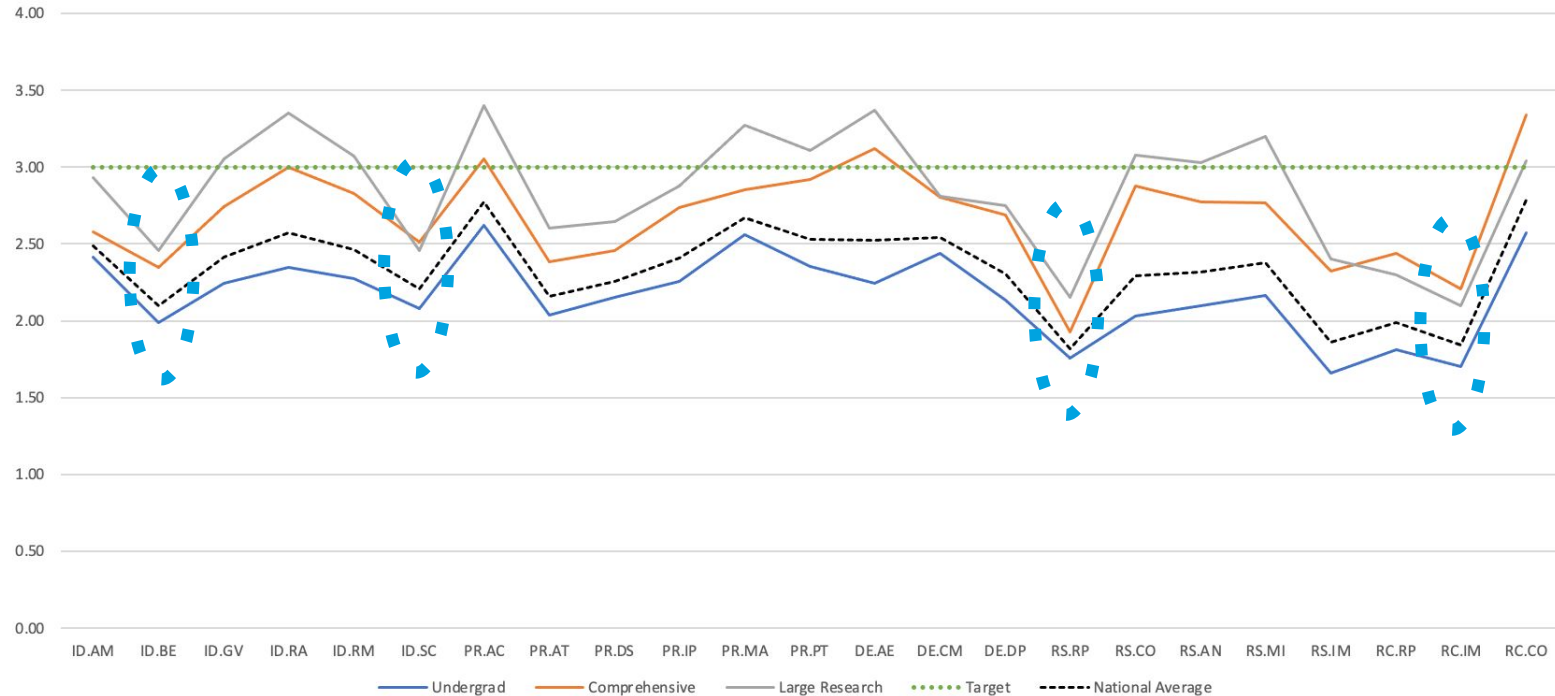
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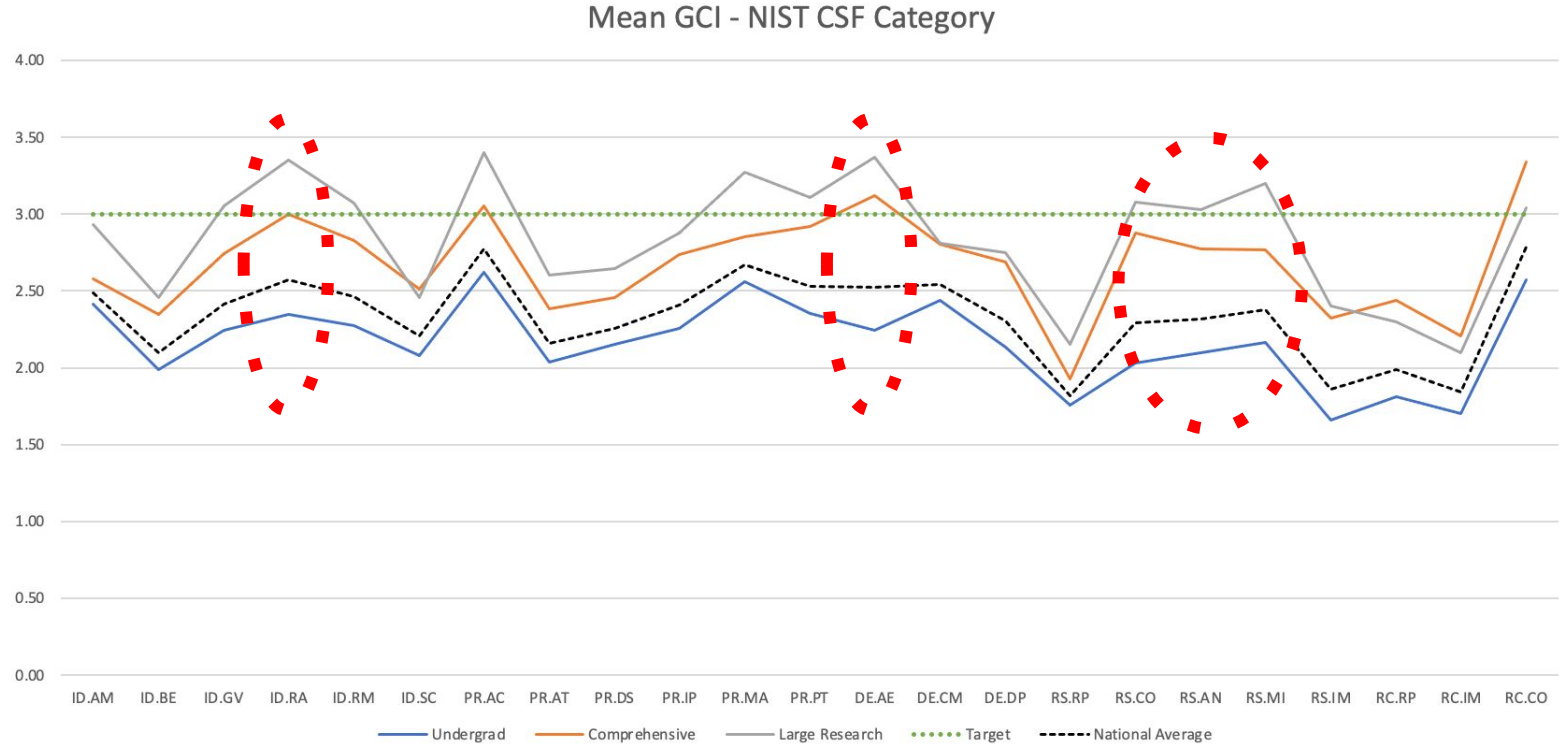


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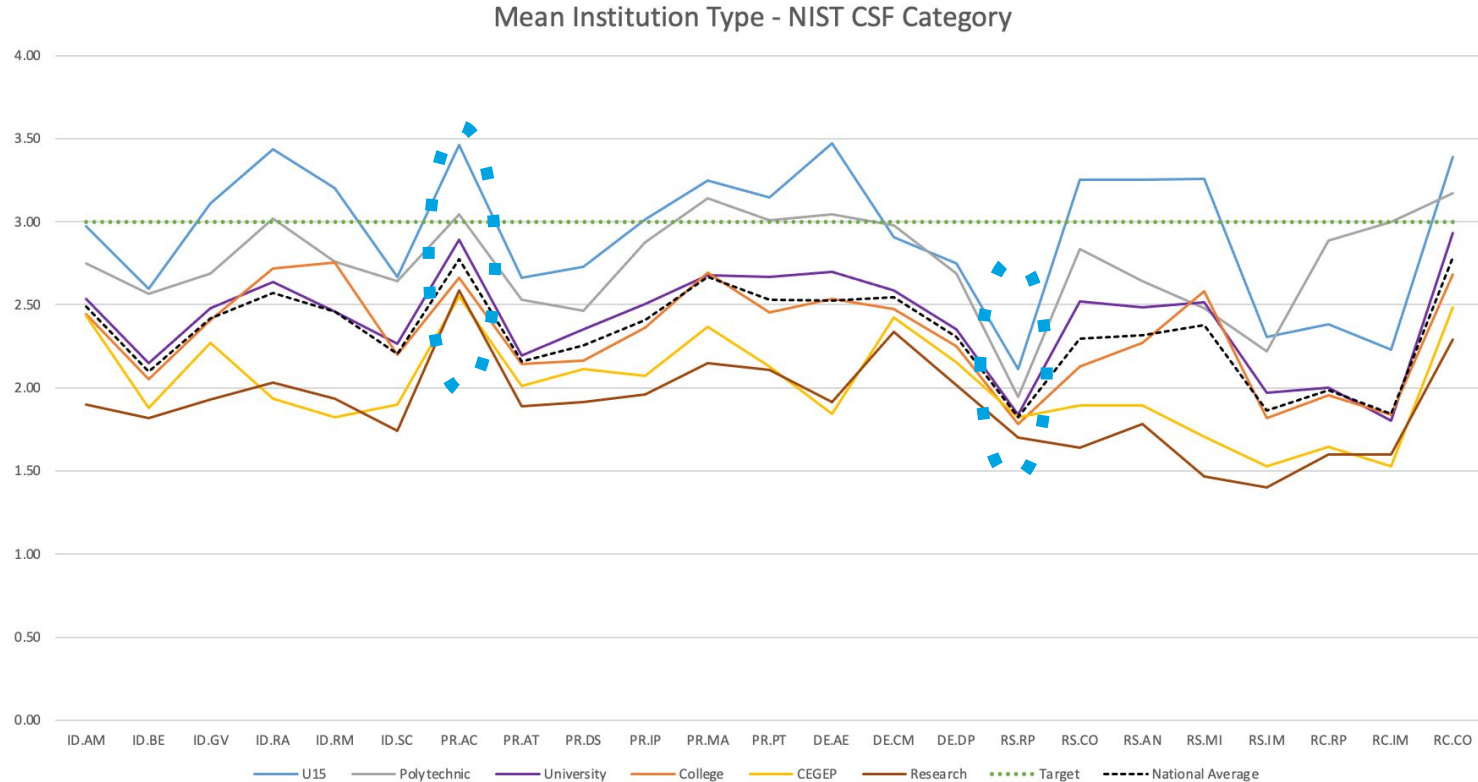
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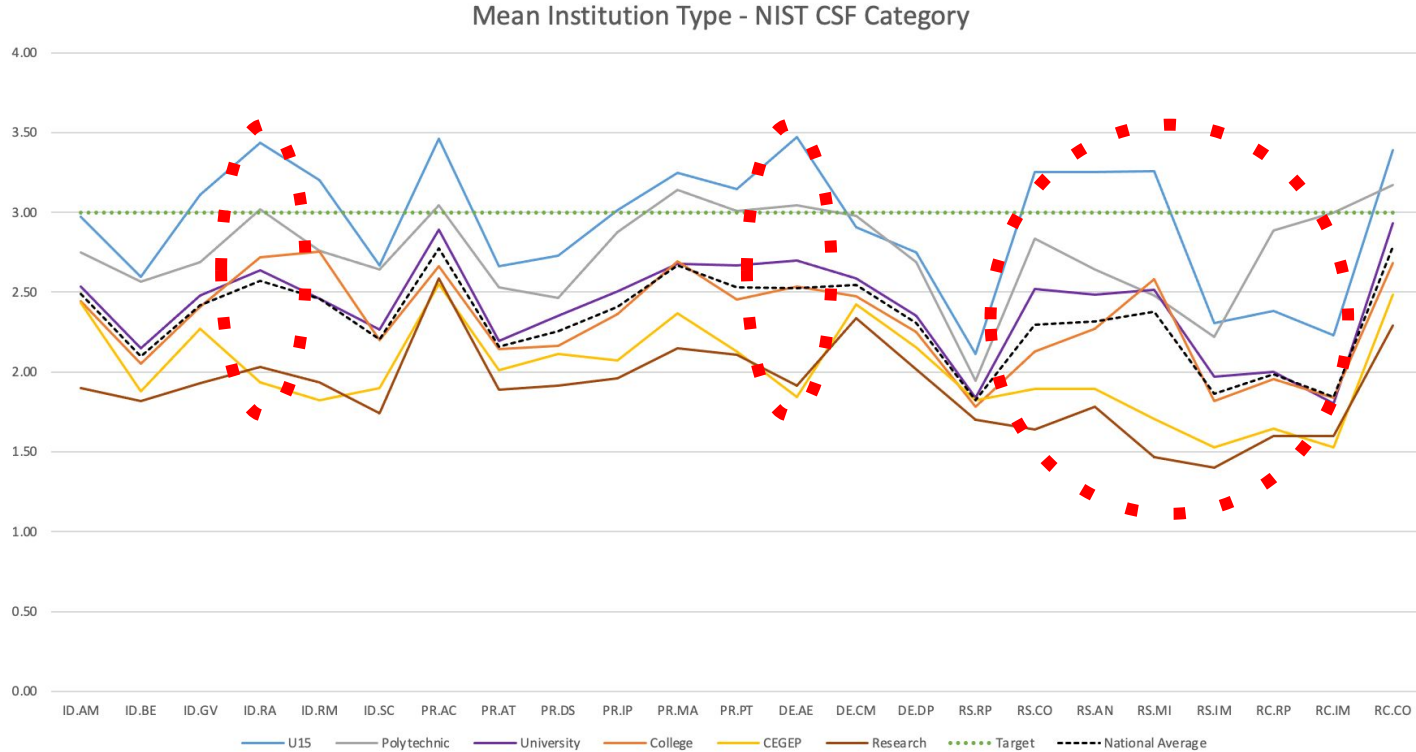
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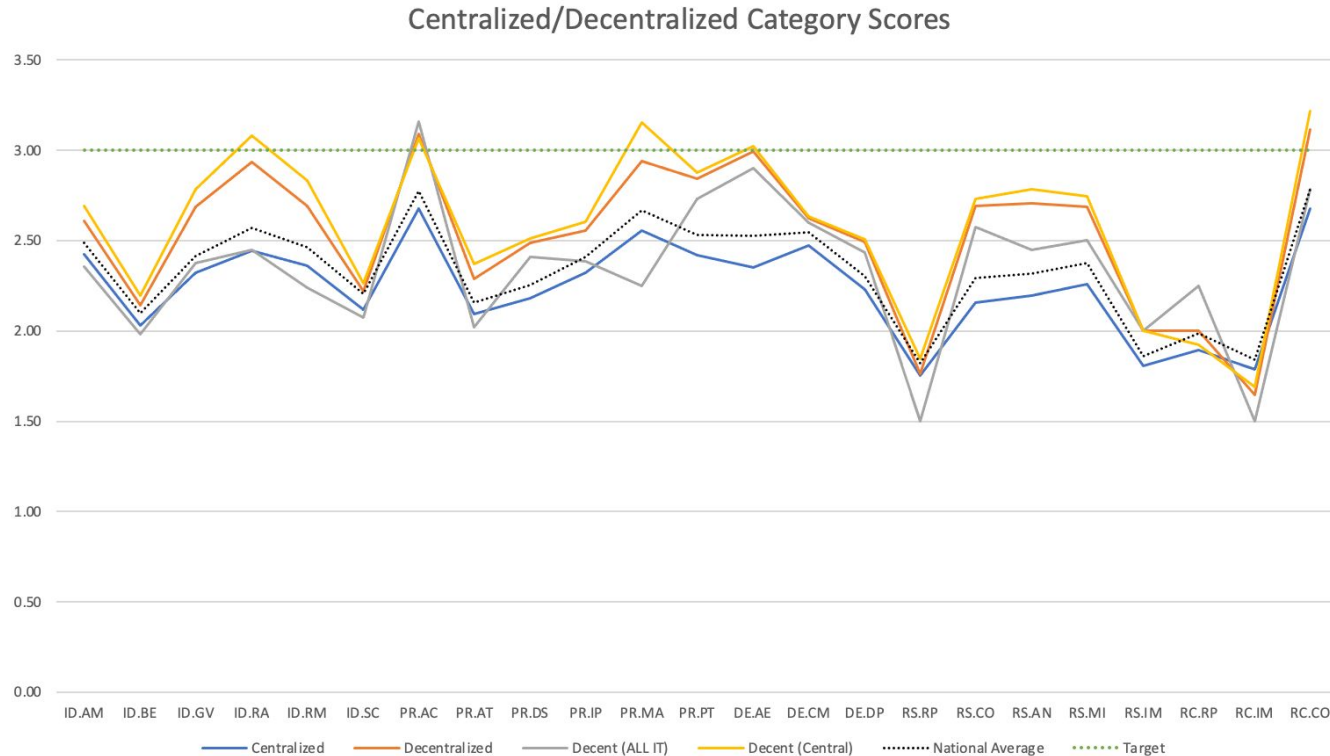
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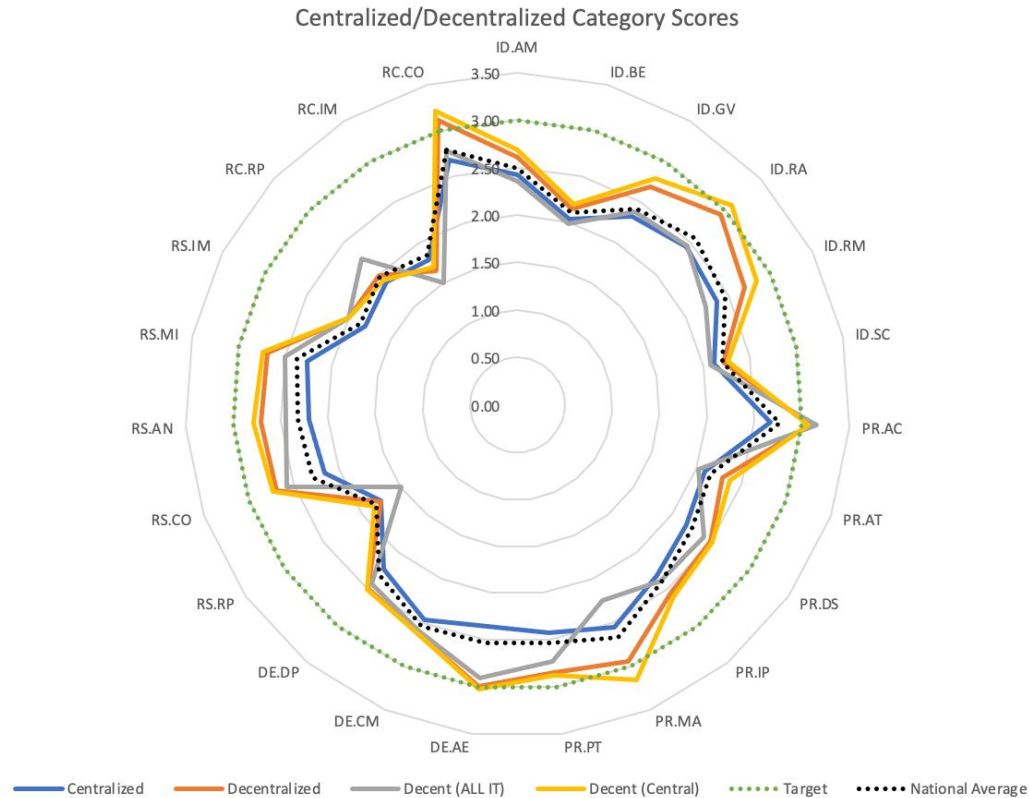
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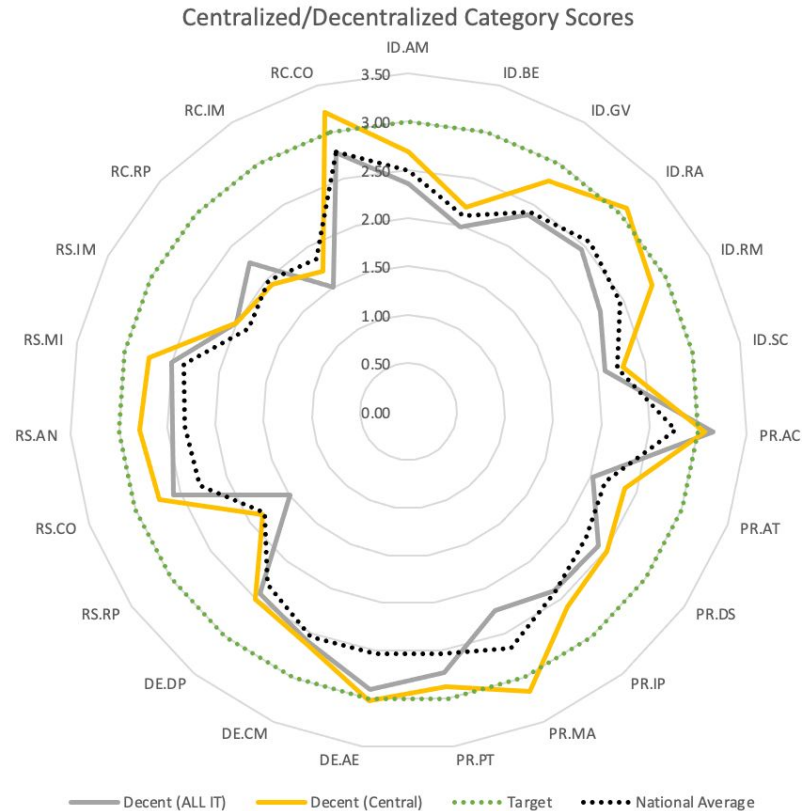
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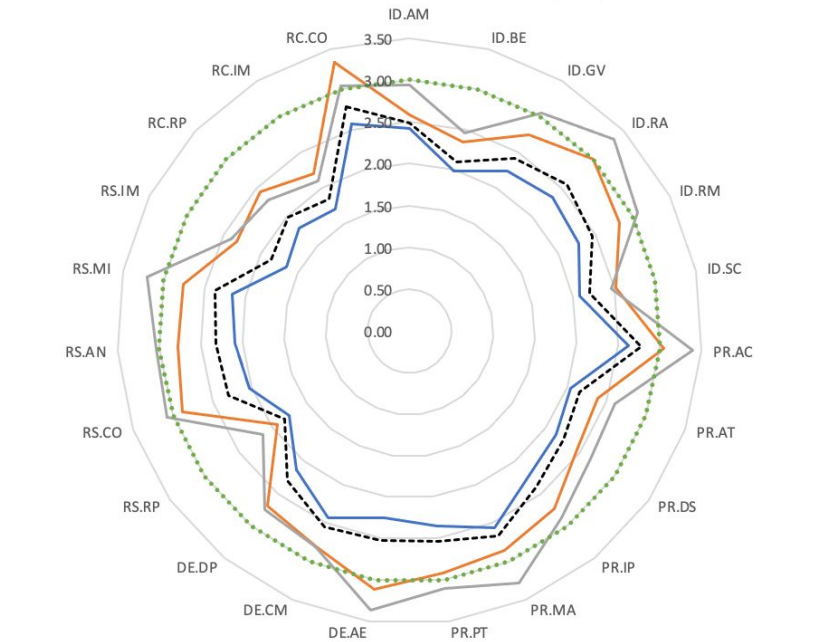


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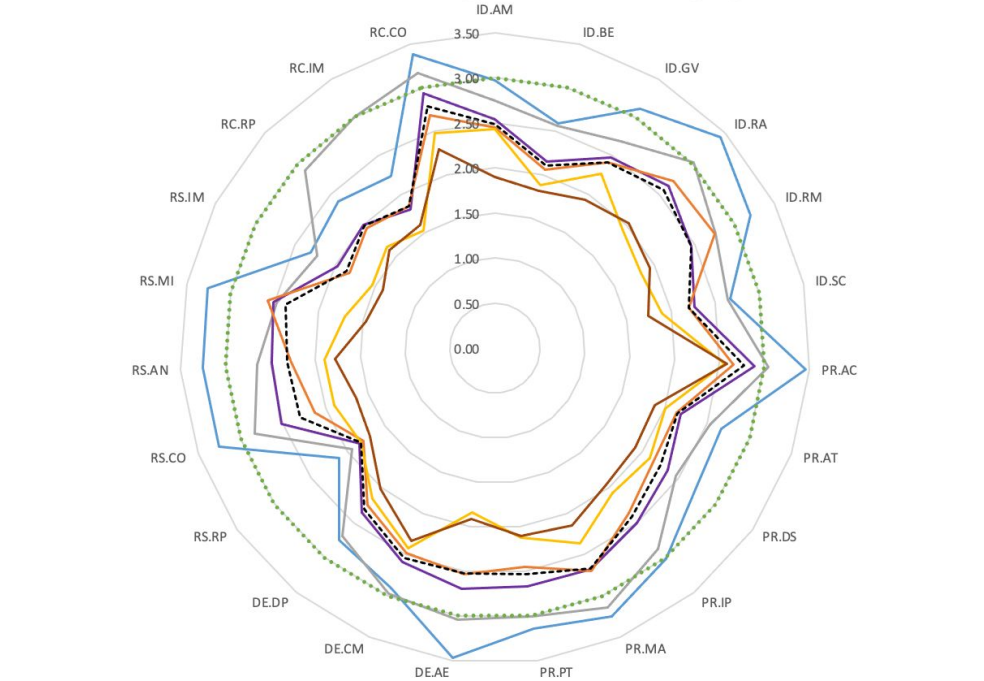
GCI & Institution Type

Mean GCI - NIST CSF Category



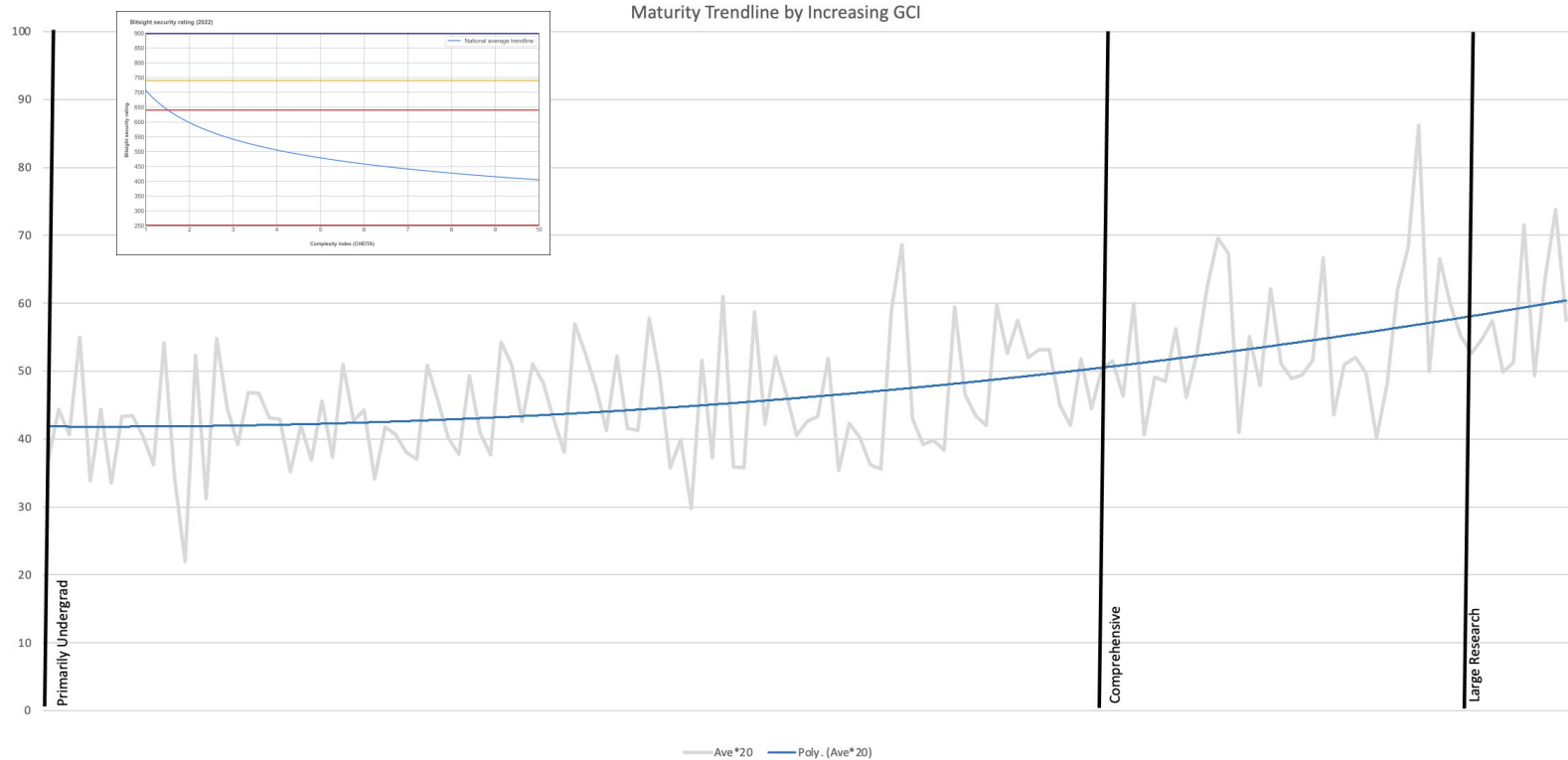
Undergrad Comprehensive Large Research Target National Average

Mean Institution Type - NIST CSF Category



U15 Polytechnic University College CEGEP Research Target National Average

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Provincial Results



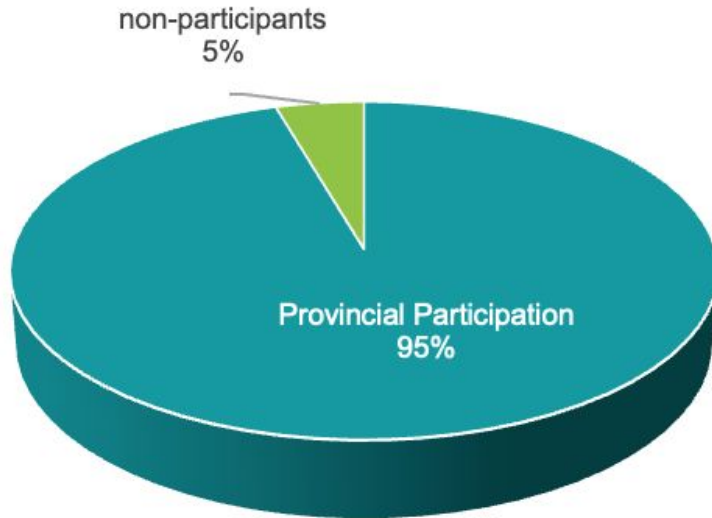
Participation

Total Eligible Organizations: **22**

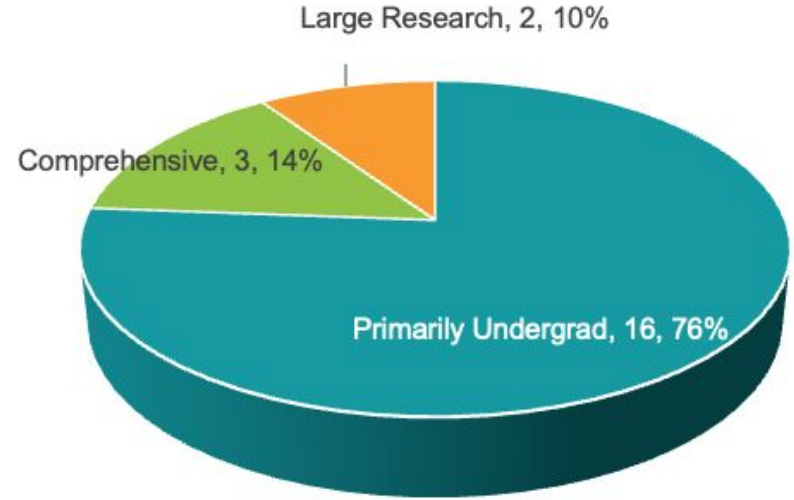
Total Participants: **21**

Total Participation Rate: **95.45%**

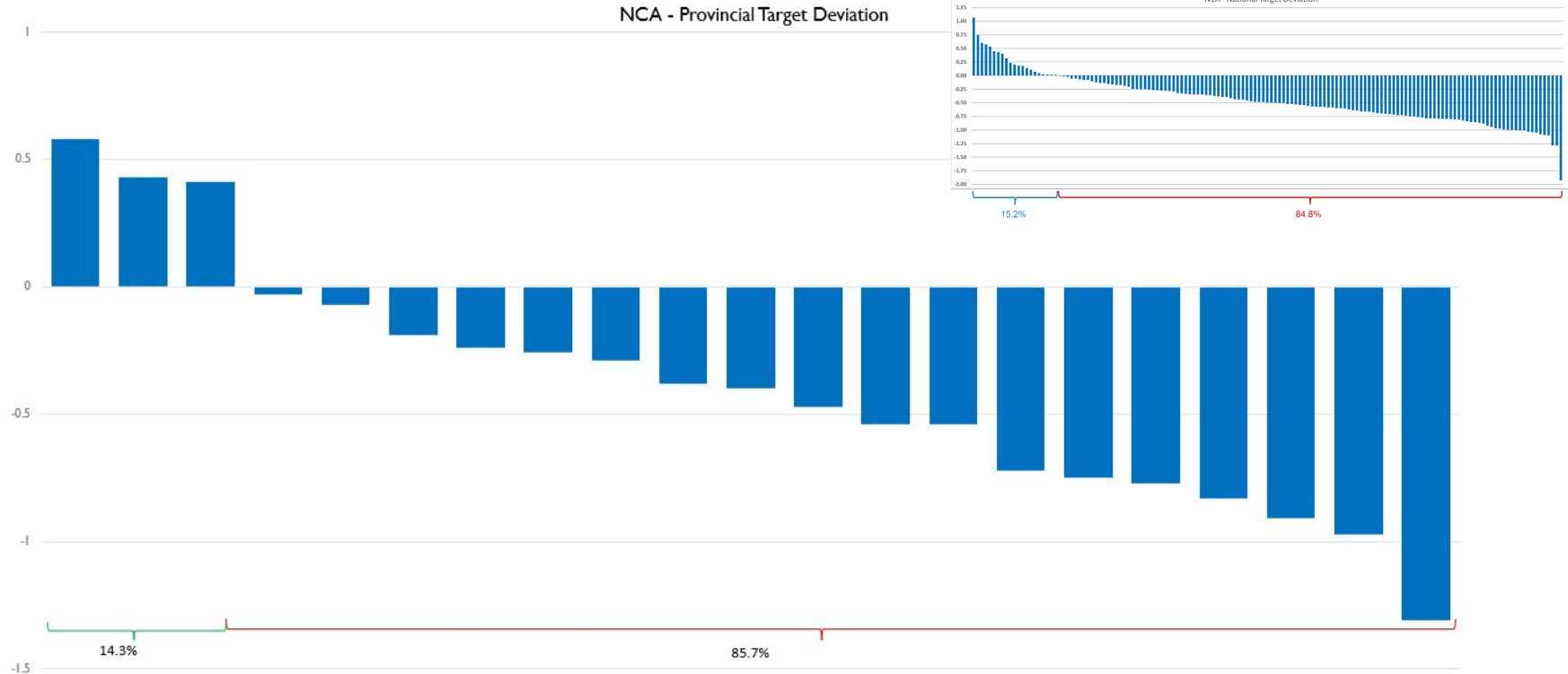
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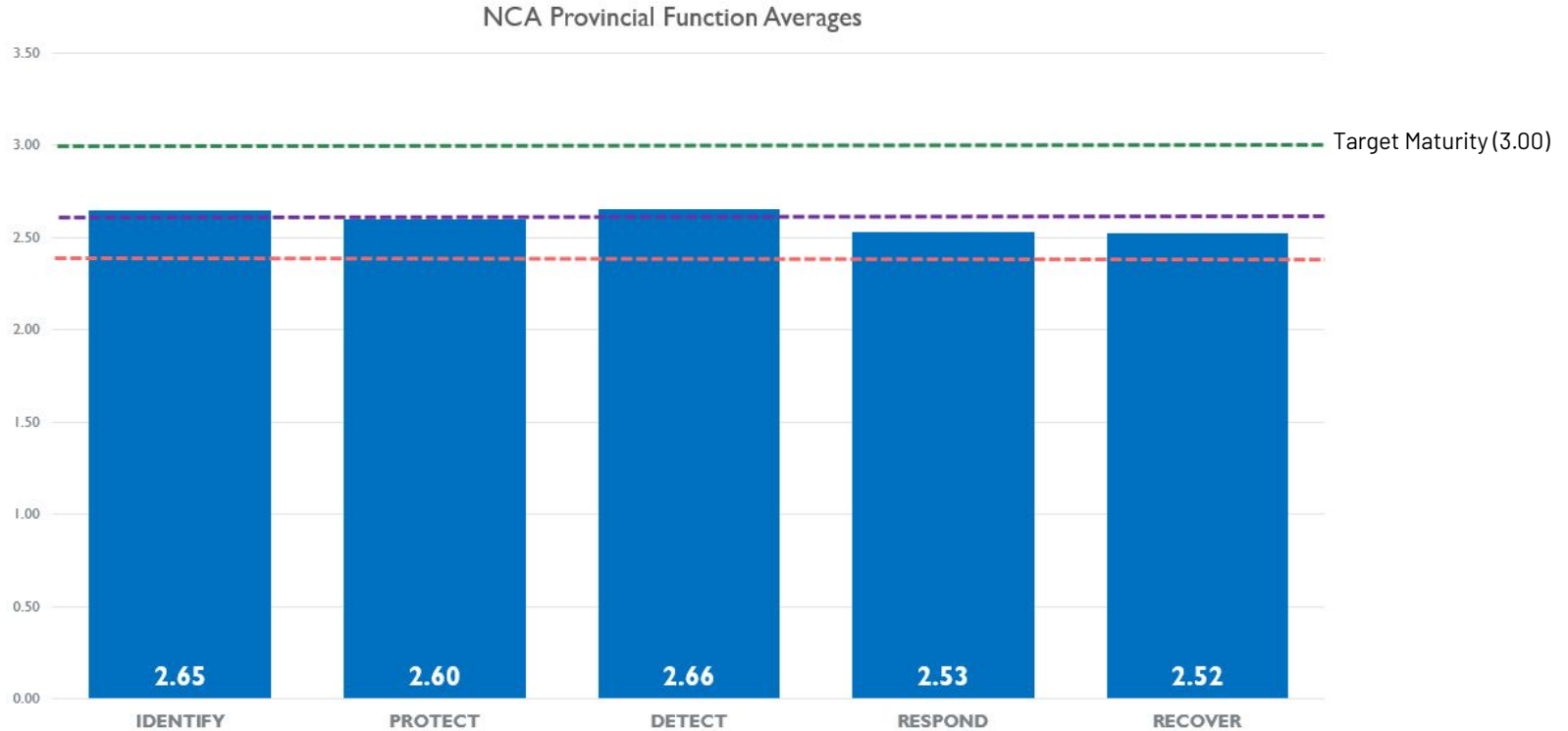
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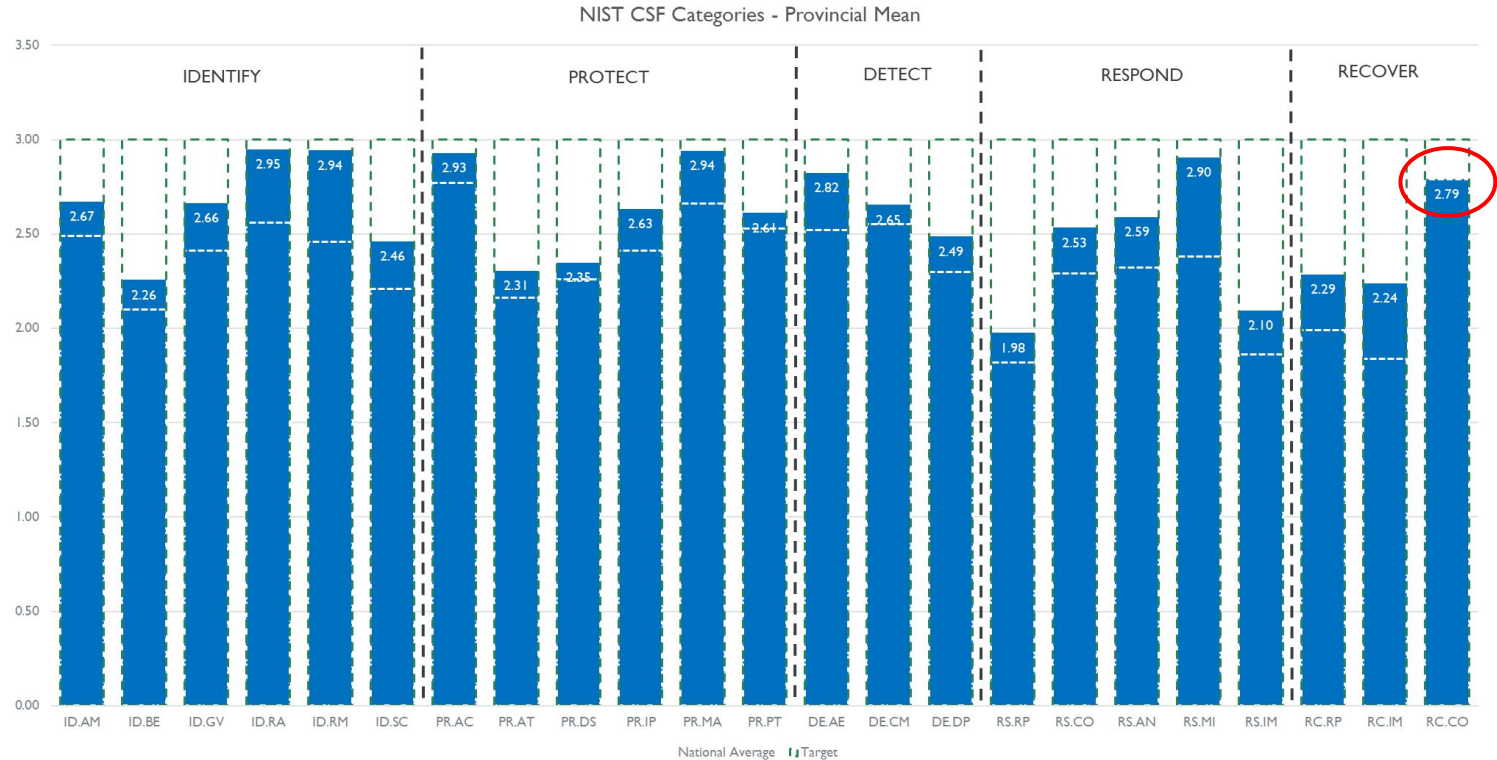
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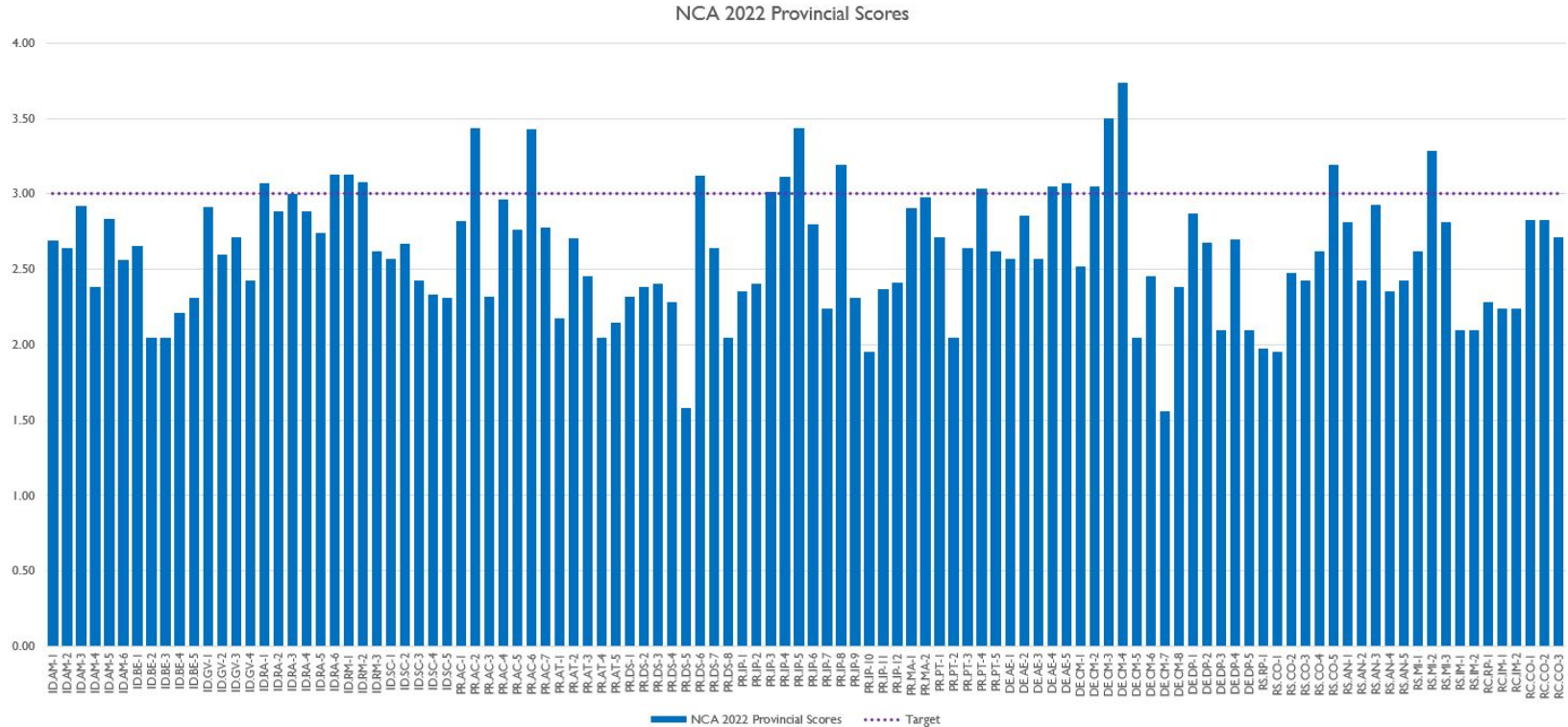
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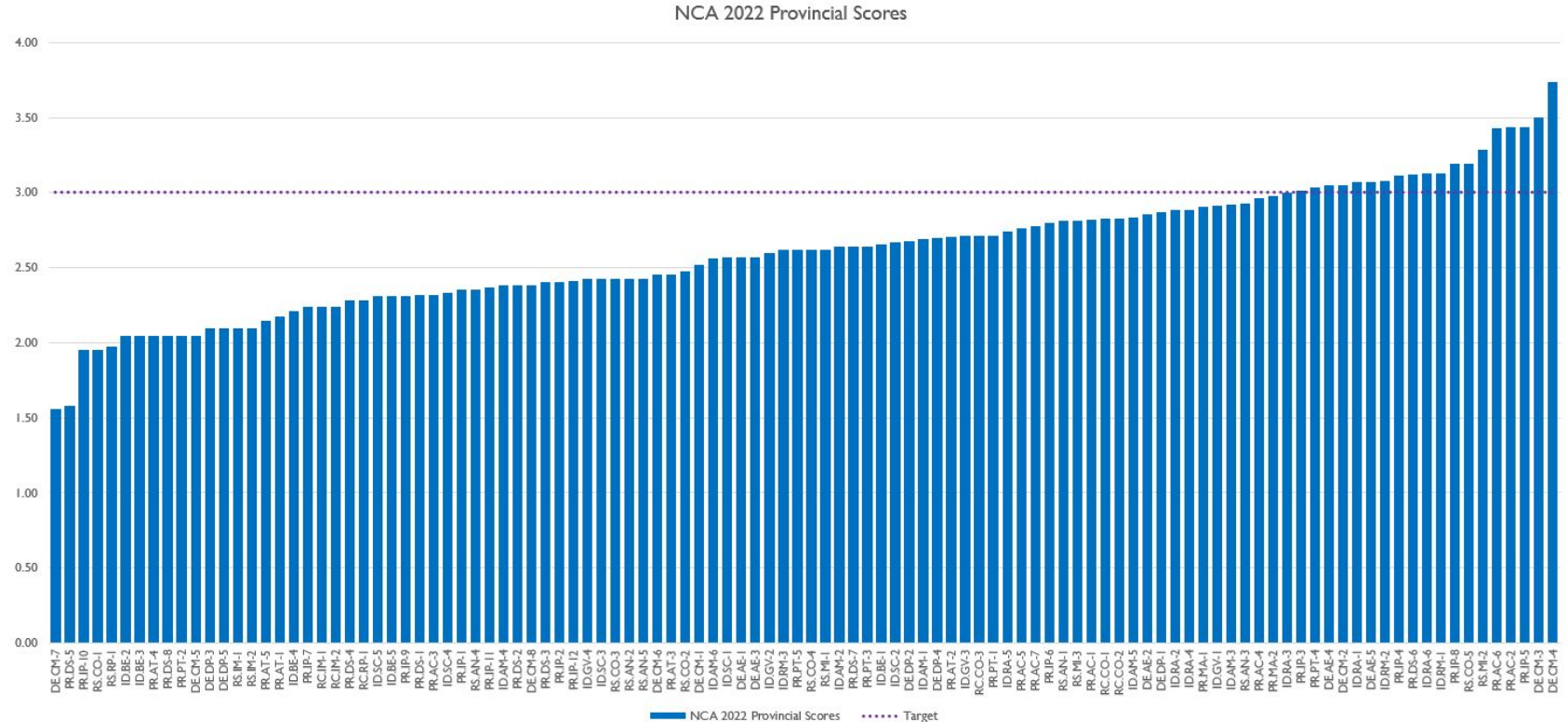
Category Averages



Provincial NCA Scores

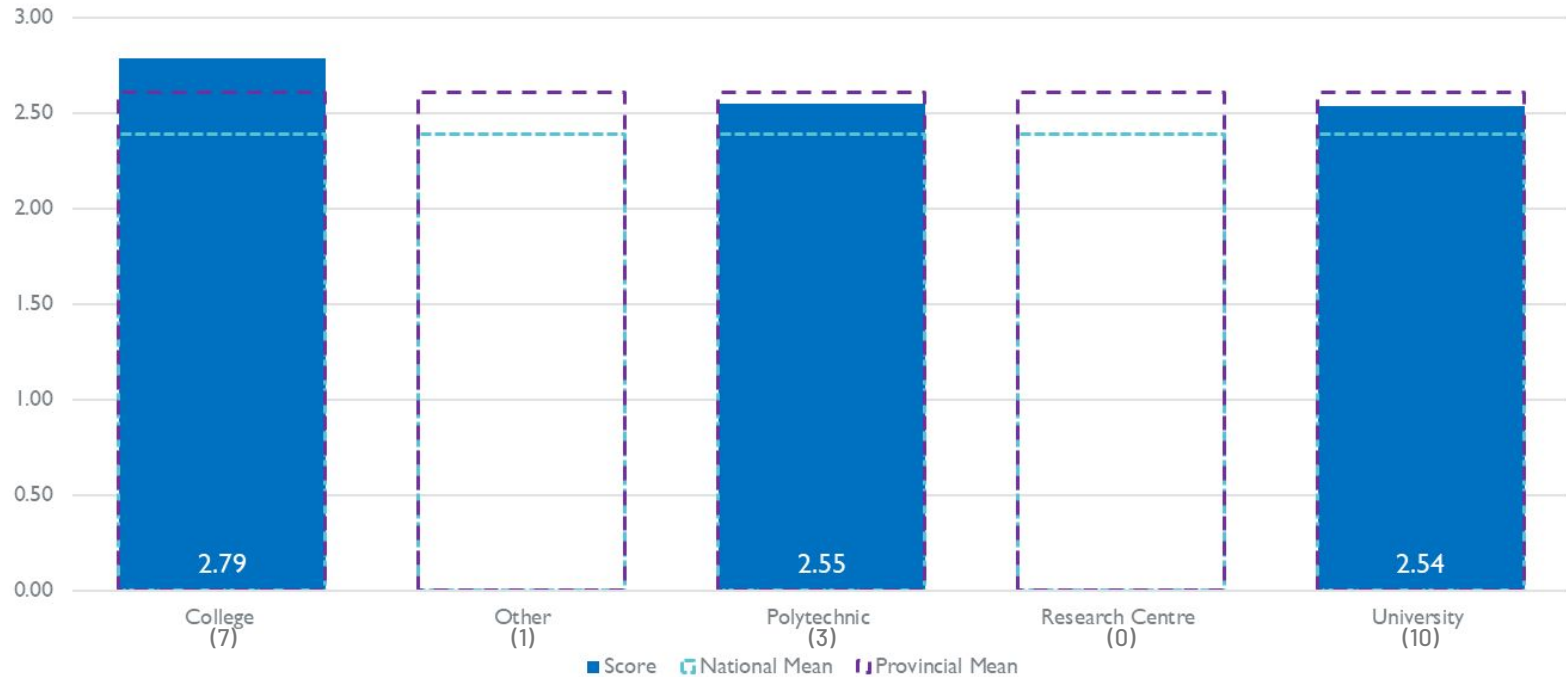


Provincial NCA Scores (sorted)

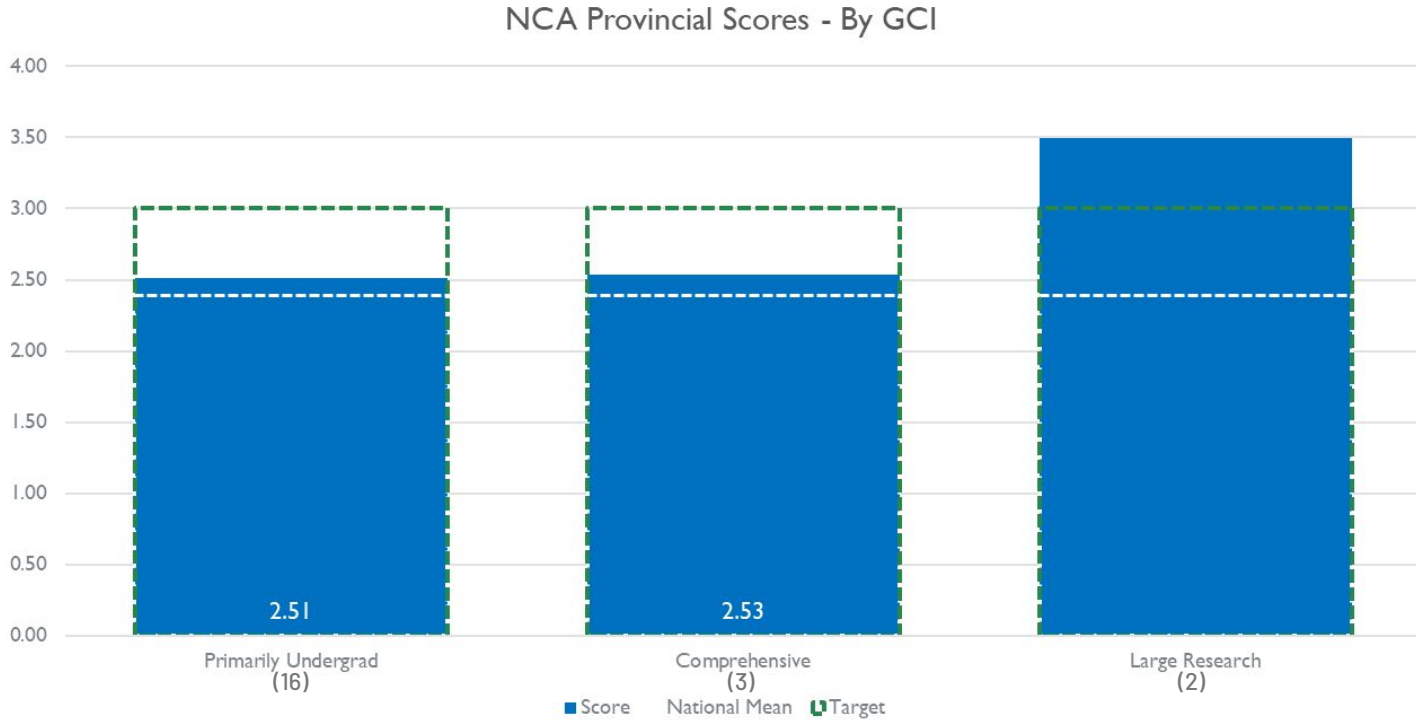


Provincial by Type

Provincial CSF Scores - By EO Type



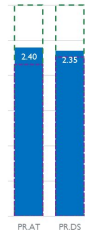
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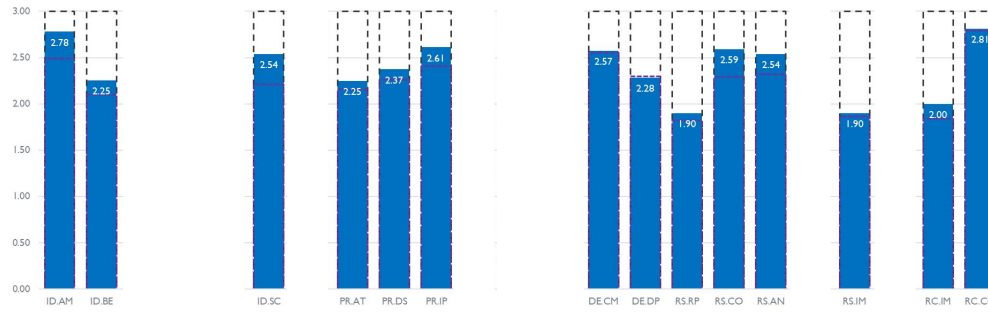


PR - Awareness and Training
PR - Data Security

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UNIVERSITY (10)



ID - Asset Management

ID - Business Environment

ID - Supply Chain Risk Mgmt.

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PR - Info Protection Proc/Procedures

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DE - Detection process

RS - Response Planning

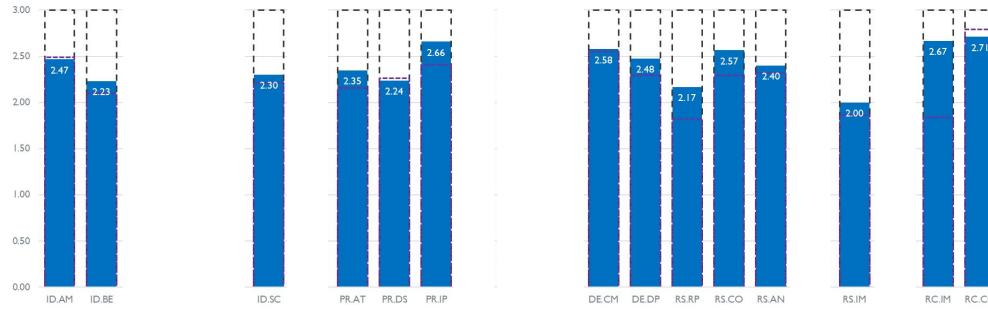
RS - Communications

RS - Analysis

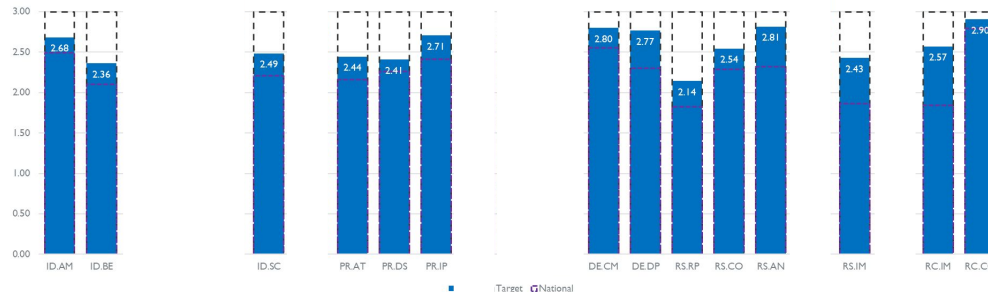
RS - Improvements

RC - Improvements

POLYTECHNIC (3)

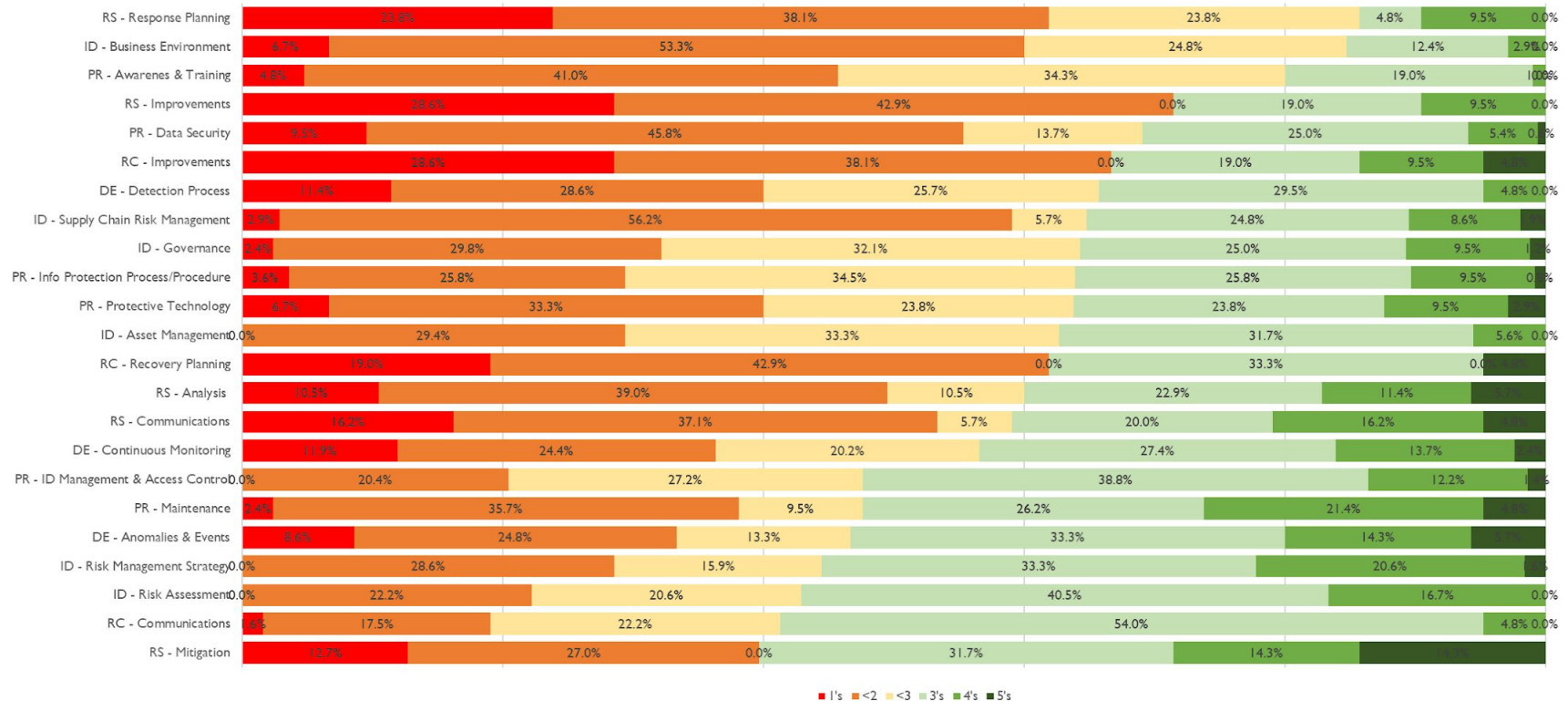


COLLEGE (7)



Maturity Score Counts

NIST Category Score Counts - Alberta



Potential Provincial Focus Areas

BY TYPE OF INSTITUTION SORTED

RS - Response Planning
ID - Business Environment
PR - Awareness and Training
RS - Improvements
PR - Data Security
RC - Improvements
DE - Detection process
ID - Supply Chain Risk Mgmt.

PR - Info Protection Proc/Procedures

ID - Asset Management

BY LOW MATURITY COUNTS

RS - Response Planning	85.7%
ID - Business Environment	84.8%
PR - Awareness and Training	80.0%
RS - Improvements	71.4%
PR - Data Security	69.0%
RC - Improvements	66.7%
DE - Detection process	65.7%
ID - Supply Chain Risk Mgmt.	64.8%
ID - Governance	64.3%
PR - Info Protection Proc/Procedures	63.9%
PR - Protective Technology	63.8%
ID - Asset Management	62.7%
RC - Recovery Planning	61.9%

Provincial/National Focus Areas

PROVINCIAL

85.7%	RS - Response Planning
84.8%	ID - Business Environment
80.0%	PR - Awareness and Training
71.4%	RS - Improvements
69.0%	PR - Data Security
66.7%	RC - Improvements
65.7%	DE - Detection process
64.8%	ID - Supply Chain Risk Mgmt.
64.3%	ID - Governance
63.9%	PR - Info Protection Proc/Procedures
63.8%	PR - Protective Technology
62.7%	ID - Asset Management
61.9%	RC - Recovery Planning

NATIONAL SORTED

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ID - Asset Management

GCI & Type NIST Categories

Provincial - GCI - NIST Categories



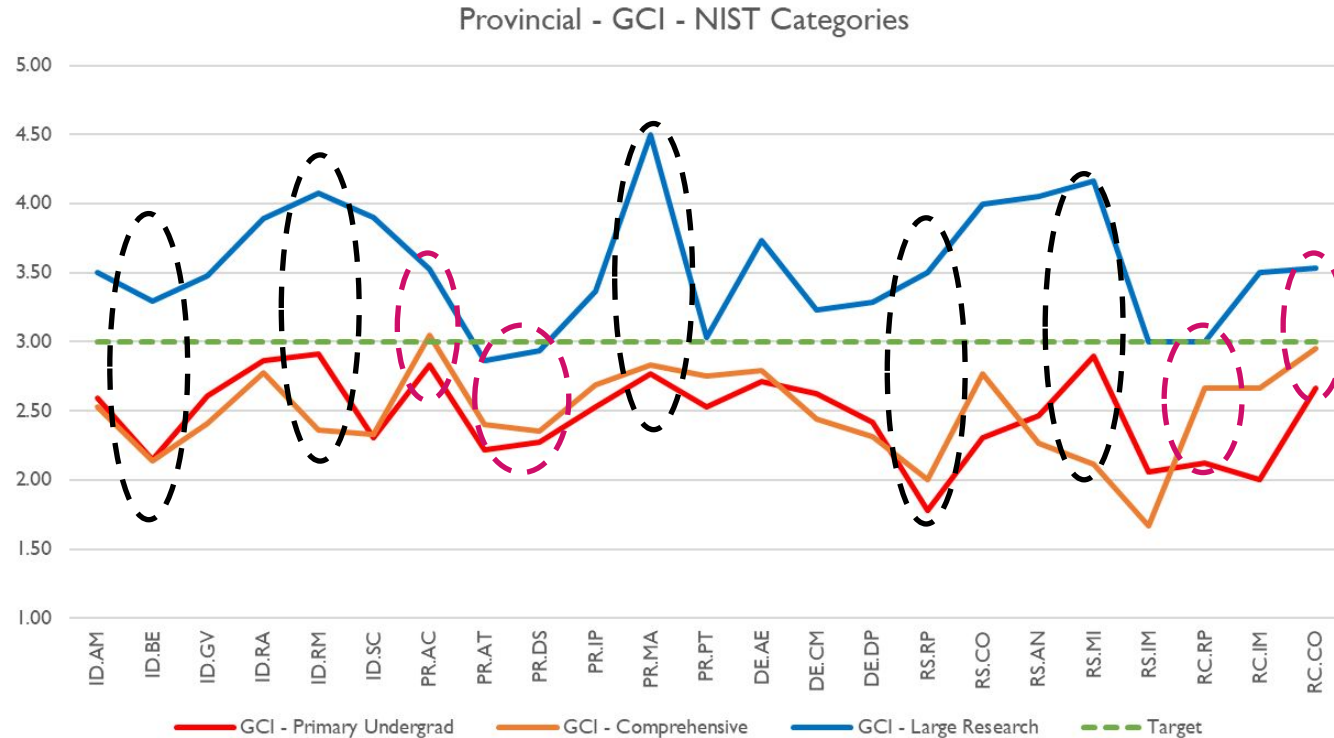
— GCI - Primary Undergrad
 — GCI - Comprehensive
 — GCI - Large Research
 - - - Target

Provincial - TYPE - NIST Categories

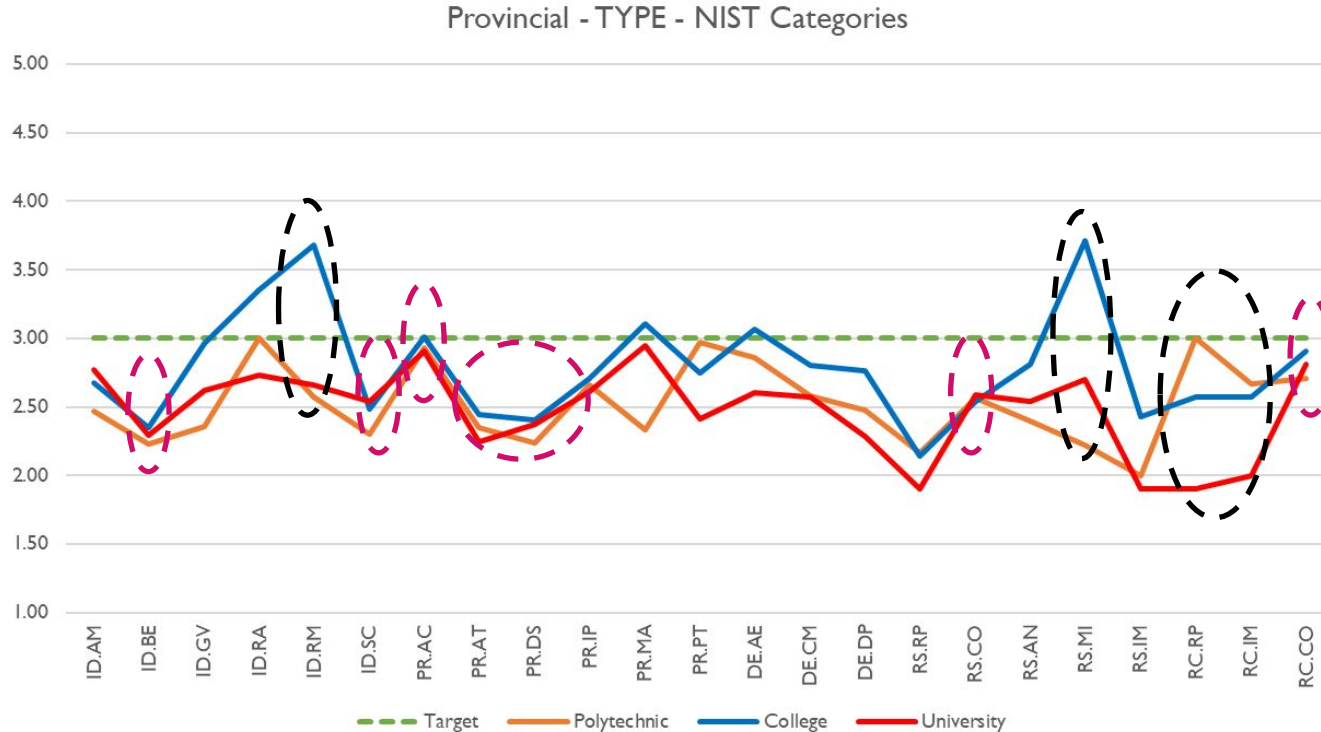


- - - Target
 — Polytechnic
 — College
 — University

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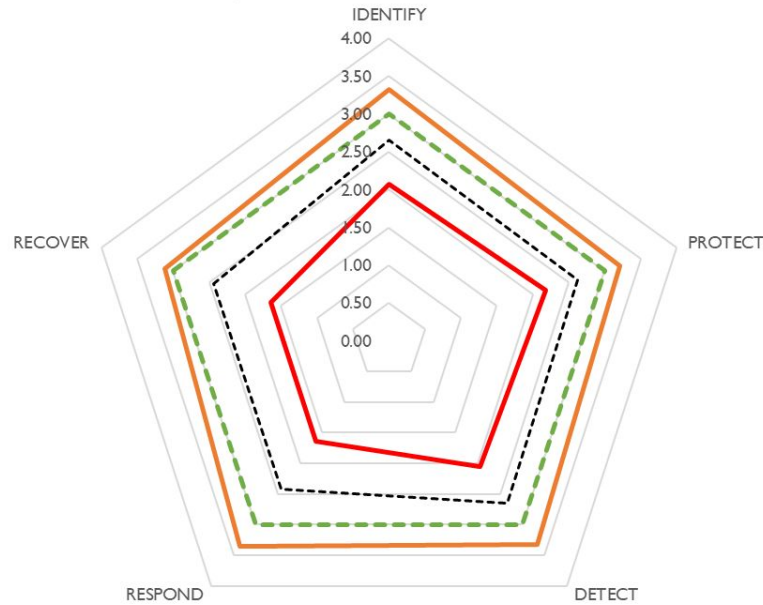


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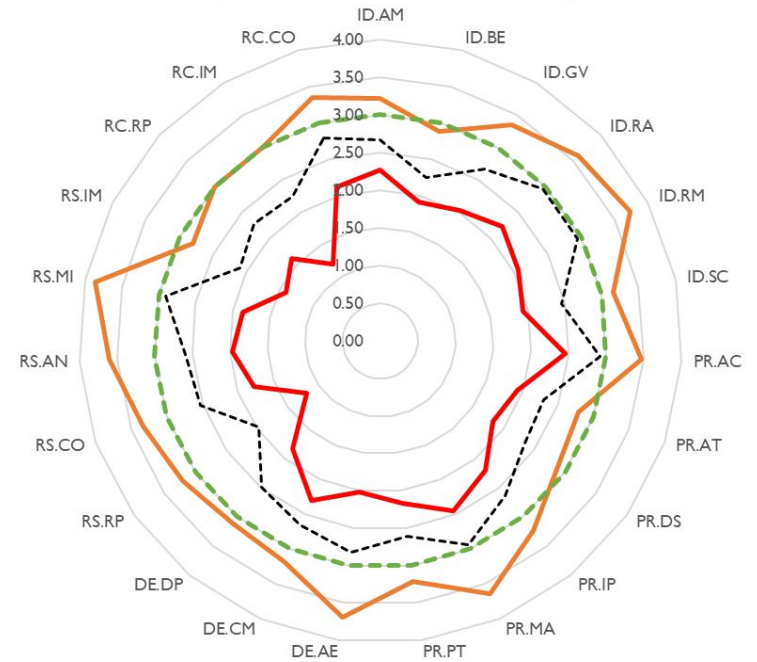


Top & Bottom Quartiles

Mean Top/Bottom Quartile - NIST Functions



Mean Top/Bottom Quartile - NIST Categories



Bottom Quartile Top Quartile Target Average

What Now?

Recommendation

Run a workshop that includes cyber leaders from Alberta's institutions that uses the NCA data to answer the following questions:

- What should we do separately?
- What should we do together?
- What can we expect the Cybera rSOC/CanSSOC to assist with?
- How do we fund the initiatives?
- Can we create an initiatives roadmap?

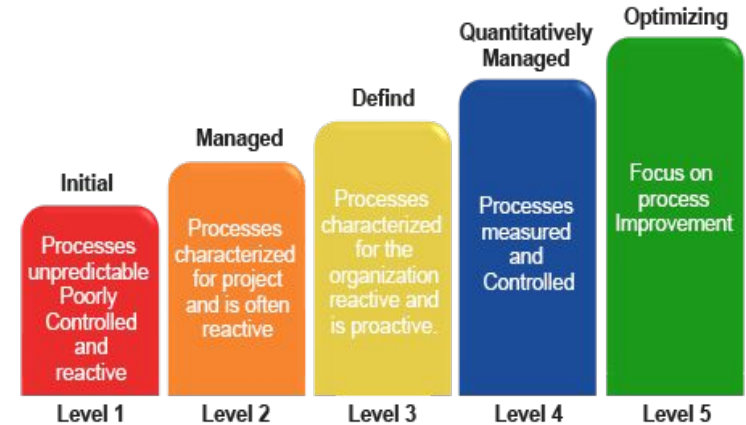


Appendix



CMMI and Target Description

SCORE	MATURITY LEVEL	DESCRIPTION
1	Initial / Incomplete	Processes are unpredictable or nonexistent, poorly controlled, and reactive.
2	Managed	Processes are defined for projects and are often reactive.
3	Defined	Processes are defined for the organization and are proactive.
4	Quantitatively Managed	Processes are measured and controlled.
5	Optimizing	The focus is on continuous process improvement.



Characteristics of the Maturity Levels