

**Table A.4 National school and student participation rates, by type of school, grades 4, 8, and 12: 2002**

	Weighted school participation			Student participation		Overall participation rate	
	Percentage before substitution	Percentage after substitution	Number of schools participating after substitution	Weighted percentage student participation	Number of students assessed	Before substitution	After substitution
<b>Grade 4</b>							
Combined national	84	85	5,518	94	140,487	79	80
Public	85	85	5,067	94	134,909	80	80
Nonpublic	74	81	451	95	5,578	71	77
<b>Grade 8</b>							
Combined national	82	83	4,706	92	115,176	75	76
Public	83	84	4,208	91	109,856	76	77
Nonpublic	68	76	498	95	5,320	65	72
<b>Grade 12</b>							
Combined national	74	75	725	74	14,724	55	55
Public	76	76	443	72	9,204	55	55
Nonpublic	55	59	282	88	5,520	48	52

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences, National Center for Education Statistics, National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), 2002 Reading Assessment.