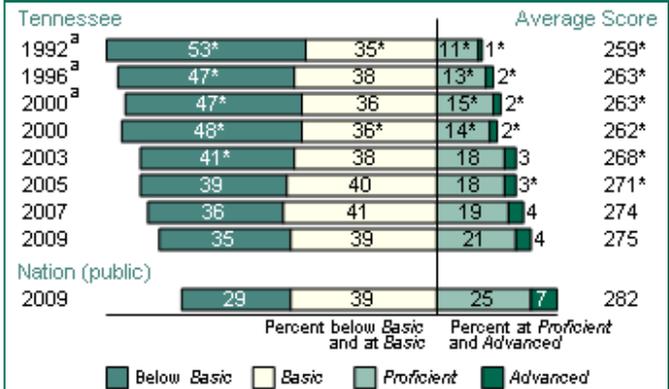


**Overall Results**

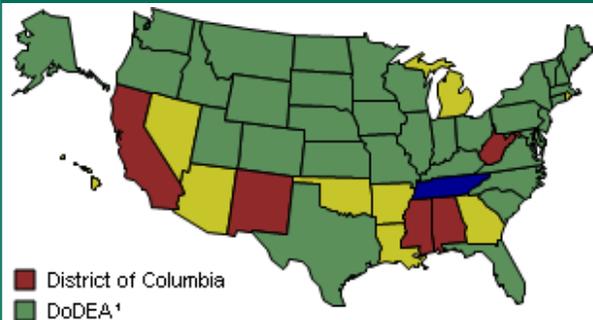
- In 2009, the average score of eighth-grade students in Tennessee was 275. This was lower than the average score of 282 for public school students in the nation.
- The average score for students in Tennessee in 2009 (275) was not significantly different from their average score in 2007 (274) and was higher than their average score in 1992 (259).
- In 2009, the score gap between students in Tennessee at the 75th percentile and students at the 25th percentile was 48 points. This performance gap was not significantly different from that of 1992 (47 points).
- The percentage of students in Tennessee who performed at or above the NAEP *Proficient* level was 25 percent in 2009. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2007 (23 percent) and was greater than that in 1992 (12 percent).
- The percentage of students in Tennessee who performed at or above the NAEP *Basic* level was 65 percent in 2009. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2007 (64 percent) and was greater than that in 1992 (47 percent).

**Achievement-Level Percentages and Average Score Results**



\* Significantly different ( $p < .05$ ) from state's results in 2009.  
<sup>a</sup> Accommodations not permitted.  
 NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals because of rounding.

**Compare the Average Score in 2009 to Other States/ Jurisdictions**

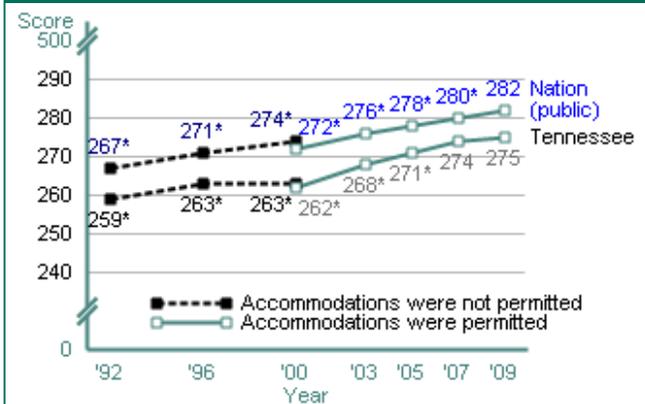


<sup>1</sup> Department of Defense Education Activity schools (domestic and overseas).

In 2009, the average score in Tennessee was

- lower than those in 36 states/jurisdictions
- higher than those in 6 states/jurisdictions
- not significantly different from those in 9 states/jurisdictions

**Compare the Average Score to Nation (public)**



\* Significantly different ( $p < .05$ ) from 2009.

**Results for Student Groups in 2009**

Reporting Groups	Percent of students	Avg. score	Percentages at or above		Percent at Advanced
			Basic	Proficient	
<b>Gender<sup>1</sup></b>					
Male	51	275	64	26	4
Female	49	275	65	25	4
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>					
White	70	282	73	30	6
Black	25	254	40	10	1
Hispanic	3	270	61	19	2
Asian/Pacific Islander	2	‡	‡	‡	‡
American Indian/Alaska Native	#	‡	‡	‡	‡
<b>National School Lunch Program<sup>1</sup></b>					
Eligible	43	261	49	13	1
Not eligible	57	285	76	35	7

# Rounds to zero. ‡ Reporting standards not met.  
 NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals because of rounding, and because the "Information not available" category for the National School Lunch Program, which provides free/reduced-price lunches, and the "Unclassified" category for race/ethnicity are not displayed.

**Score Gaps for Student Groups**

- In 2009, female students in Tennessee had an average score that was not significantly different from that of male students. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1992 (5 points).
- In 2009, Black students had an average score that was 28 points lower than that of White students. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1992 (32 points).
- In 2009, Hispanic students had an average score that was 12 points lower than that of White students. Data are not reported for Hispanic students in 1992, because reporting standards were not met.
- In 2009, students who were eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch, an indicator of poverty, had an average score that was 24 points lower than that of students who were not eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1996 (25 points).