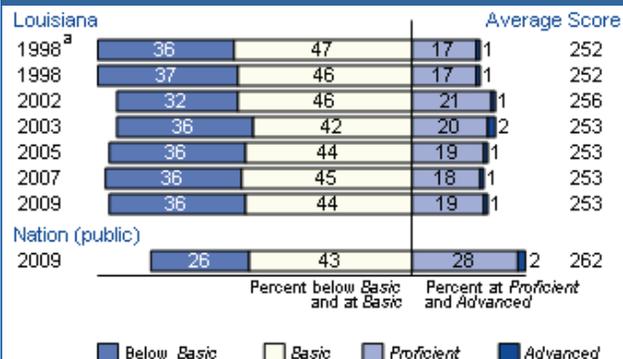


**Overall Results**

- In 2009, the average score of eighth-grade students in Louisiana was 253. This was lower than the average score of 262 for public school students in the nation.
- The average score for students in Louisiana in 2009 (253) was not significantly different from their average score in 2007 (253) and was not significantly different from their average score in 1998 (252).
- In 2009, the score gap between students in Louisiana at the 75th percentile and students at the 25th percentile was 44 points. This performance gap was not significantly different from that of 1998 (42 points).
- The percentage of students in Louisiana who performed at or above the NAEP *Proficient* level was 20 percent in 2009. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2007 (19 percent) and was not significantly different from that in 1998 (17 percent).
- The percentage of students in Louisiana who performed at or above the NAEP *Basic* level was 64 percent in 2009. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2007 (64 percent) and was not significantly different from that in 1998 (63 percent).

**Achievement Level Percentages and Average Score Results**



<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**

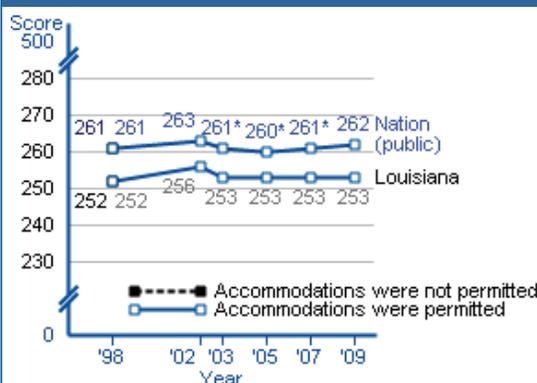


<sup>1</sup> Department of Defense Education Activity schools (domestic and overseas).

In 2009, the average score in Louisiana was

- lower than those in 41 states/jurisdictions
- higher than that in 1 state/jurisdiction
- not significantly different from that in 9 states/jurisdictions

**Average Scores for State/Jurisdiction and 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</b>					
Male	49	248	59	16	1
Female	51	258	69	24	2
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>					
White	52	263	75	28	2
Black	43	241	50	10	#
Hispanic	2	‡	‡	‡	‡
Asian/Pacific Islander	2	‡	‡	‡	‡
American Indian/Alaska Native	1	‡	‡	‡	‡
<b>National School Lunch Program</b>					
Eligible	62	246	57	13	#
Not eligible	38	266	77	32	2

# 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 Louisiana had an average score that was higher than that of male students.
- In 2009, Black students had an average score that was 22 points lower than that of White students. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1998 (26 points).
- Data are not reported for Hispanic students in 2009, because reporting standards were not met.
- In 2009, students who were eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch, an indicator of low income, had an average score that was 20 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 1998 (20 points).