# **2015** Reading Trial Urban District Snapshot Report

Boston • Grade 8 • Public Schools

### **Overall Results**

- In 2015, the average score of eighth-grade students in Boston was 258. This was not significantly different from the average score of 257 for public school students in large cities.
- The average score for students in Boston in 2015 (258) was not significantly different from their average score in 2013 (257) and was higher than their average score in 2003 (252).
- The percentage of students in Boston who performed at or above the NAEP *Proficient* level was 28 percent in 2015. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2013 (28 percent) and was greater than that in 2003 (22 percent).
- The percentage of students in Boston who performed at or above the NAEP *Basic* level was 67 percent in 2015. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2013 (66 percent) and was greater than that in 2003 (61 percent).

# Compare the Average Score in 2015 to Other Districts

In 2015, the average score in Boston (258) was



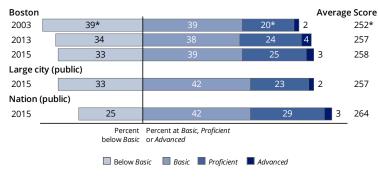
## **Results for Student Groups in 2015**

	Percentage of	Avg.		entage at above	Percentage at
Reporting Groups	students			Proficient	Advanced
Race/Ethnicity					
White	14	282	87	58	8
Black	35	250	62	17	#
Hispanic	39	249	59	18	2
Asian	11	281	86	56	10
American Indian/Alaska Native	#	‡	#	‡	‡
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islande	r #	‡	#	‡	‡
Two or more races	1	‡	‡	‡	‡
Gender					
Male	51	254	62	24	3
Female	49	262	72	32	4
National School Lunch Program					
Eligible	100	258	67	28	3
Not eligible	#	‡	‡	‡	‡

<sup>#</sup> Rounds to zero.

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, is not displayed. Black includes African American and Hispanic includes Latino. Race categories exclude Hispanic origin.

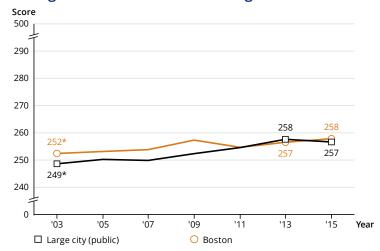
# Achievement-Level Percentages and Average Score Results



<sup>\*</sup> Significantly different (p < .05) from district's results in 2015. Significance tests were performed using unrounded numbers.

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### Average Scores for District and Large Cities



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#### Score Gaps for Student Groups

- In 2015, Black students had an average score that was 32 points lower than that for White students. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 2003 (28 points).
- In 2015, Hispanic students had an average score that was 33 points lower than that for White students. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 2003 (28 points).
- In 2015, female students in Boston had an average score that was higher than that for male students by 9 points.
- Data are not reported for students who were not eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch in 2015, because reporting standards were not met.



<sup>‡</sup> Reporting standards not met.