

Overall Results

- In 2013, the average score of eighth-grade students in the nation was 266. This was the average score of 266 for public school students in the nation.
- The average score for students in the nation in 2013 (266) was higher than their average score in 2011 (264) and in 1998 (261).
- The score gap between higher performing students in the nation (those at the 75th percentile) and lower performing students (those at the 25th percentile) was 45 points in 2013. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1998 (47 points).
- The percentage of students in the nation who performed at or above the NAEP Proficient level was 34 percent in 2013. This percentage was greater than that in 2011 (32 percent) and in 1998 (30 percent).
- The percentage of students in the nation who performed at or above the NAEP Basic level was 77 percent in 2013. This percentage was greater than that in 2011 (75 percent) and in 1998 (71 percent).

Achievement-Level Percentages and Average Score Results

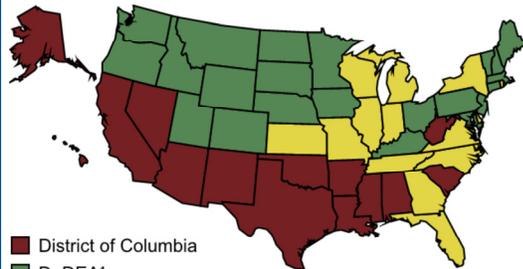
National Public	Average Score			
	Percent below Basic or at Basic	Percent at Proficient or Advanced	Average Score	Average Score
1998 ^a	28*	41	28*	261*
1998	29*	42	27*	261*
2002	26*	43	28*	263*
2003	28*	42	27*	261*
2005	29*	42	26*	260*
2007	27*	43*	27*	261*
2009	26*	43*	28*	262*
2011	25*	43	29*	264*
2013	23	42	31	266

Legend: Below Basic (dark blue), Basic (light blue), Proficient (medium blue), Advanced (dark blue)

* Significantly different ($p < .05$) from nation's results in 2013. Significance tests were performed using unrounded numbers.
^a Accommodations not permitted. For information about NAEP accommodations, see <http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/about/inclusion.aspx>.

NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals because of rounding.

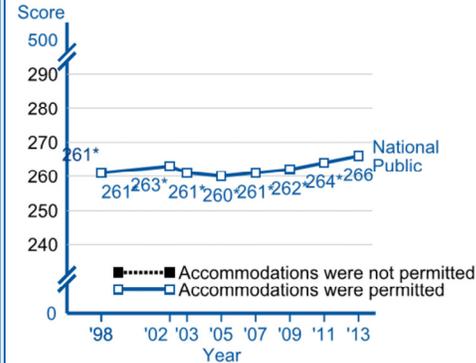
Compare the Average Score in 2013 to Other States/Jurisdictions



¹ Department of Defense Education Activity (overseas and domestic schools).

- In 2013, the average score in **the nation** (266) was
- lower than those in 23 states/jurisdictions
 - higher than those in 15 states/jurisdictions
 - not significantly different from those in 14 states/jurisdictions

Average Scores for State/Jurisdiction and Nation (public)



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Results for Student Groups in 2013

Reporting Groups	Percent of students	Avg. score	Percentages at or above		Percent at Advanced
			Basic	Proficient	
Race/Ethnicity					
White	53	275	85	44	5
Black	15	250	60	16	1
Hispanic	23	255	67	21	1
Asian	5	280	86	52	10
American Indian/Alaska Native	1	252	63	19	1
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	#	258	69	27	1
Two or more races	2	269	79	38	5
Gender					
Male	51	261	73	29	2
Female	49	271	81	40	5
National School Lunch Program					
Eligible	49	254	66	20	1
Not eligible	50	278	87	48	6

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.

Score Gaps for Student Groups

- In 2013, Black students had an average score that was 25 points lower than White students. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1998 (26 points).
- In 2013, Hispanic students had an average score that was 20 points lower than White students. This performance gap was narrower than that in 1998 (27 points).
- In 2013, female students in the nation had an average score that was higher than male students by 10 points. This performance gap was narrower than that in 1998 (15 points).
- In 2013, students who were eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch, an indicator of low family income, had an average score that was 24 points lower than students who were not eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1998 (23 points).