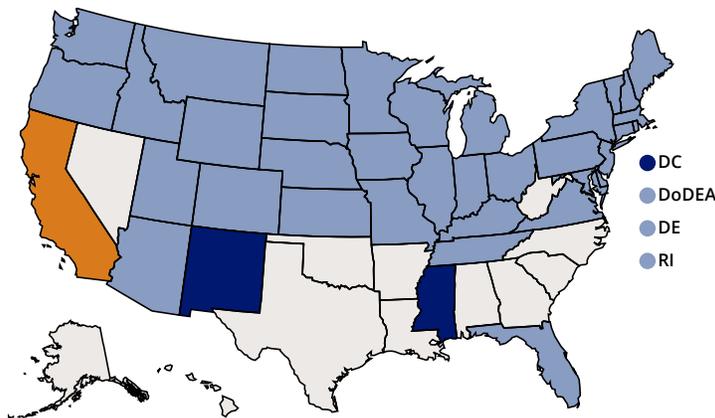


### Overall Results

- In 2015, the average score of eighth-grade students in California was 259. This was lower than the average score of 264 for public school students in the nation.
- The average score for students in California in 2015 (259) was not significantly different from their average score in 2013 (262) and was higher than their average score in 1998 (252).
- The percentage of students in California who performed at or above the NAEP *Proficient* level was 28 percent in 2015. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2013 (29 percent) and was greater than that in 1998 (21 percent).
- The percentage of students in California who performed at or above the NAEP *Basic* level was 70 percent in 2015. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2013 (72 percent) and was greater than that in 1998 (63 percent).

### Compare the Average Score in 2015 to Other States/Jurisdictions



In 2015, the average score in California (259) was

- lower than those in 36 states/jurisdictions
- higher than those in 3 states/jurisdictions
- not significantly different from those in 12 states/jurisdictions

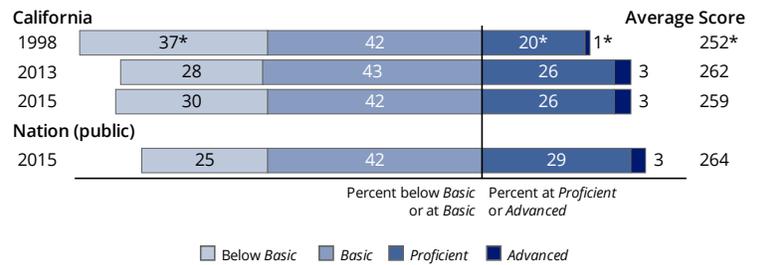
DoDEA = Department of Defense Education Activity (overseas and domestic schools)

### Results for Student Groups in 2015

Reporting Groups	Percentage of students	Avg. score	Percentage at or above Basic	Percentage at Proficient	Percentage at Advanced
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>					
White	25	274	85	44	4
Black	7	248	60	16	1
Hispanic	53	249	61	18	1
Asian	13	279	87	50	9
American Indian/Alaska Native	1	‡	‡	‡	‡
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	#	‡	‡	‡	‡
Two or more races	1	263	77	31	1
<b>Gender</b>					
Male	51	255	66	25	2
Female	49	263	74	32	3
<b>National School Lunch Program</b>					
Eligible	58	249	60	18	1
Not eligible	39	273	84	43	5

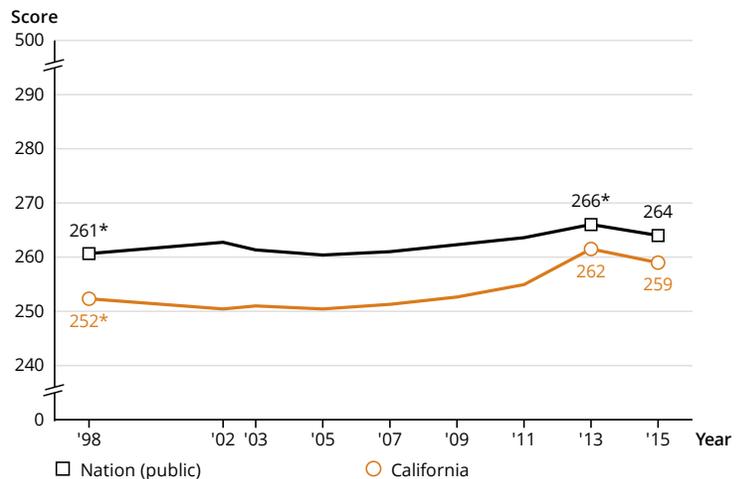
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 ‡ Reporting standards not met.  
 NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals because of rounding, and because the "Information not available" category for the National School Lunch Program, which provides free/reduced-price lunches, is not displayed. Black includes African American and Hispanic includes Latino. Race categories exclude Hispanic origin.

### Achievement-Level Percentages and Average Score Results



\* Significantly different ( $p < .05$ ) from state's results in 2015. Significance tests were performed using unrounded numbers.  
 NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals because of rounding.

### Average Scores for State/Jurisdiction and Nation (public)



\* Significantly different ( $p < .05$ ) from 2015. Significance tests were performed using unrounded numbers.

### Score Gaps for Student Groups

- In 2015, Black students had an average score that was 26 points lower than that for White students. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1998 (30 points).
- In 2015, Hispanic students had an average score that was 25 points lower than that for White students. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1998 (30 points).
- In 2015, female students in California had an average score that was higher than that for male students by 8 points.
- In 2015, students who were eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch, an indicator of low family income, had an average score that was 25 points lower than that for students who were not eligible. This performance gap was narrower than that in 1998 (32 points).