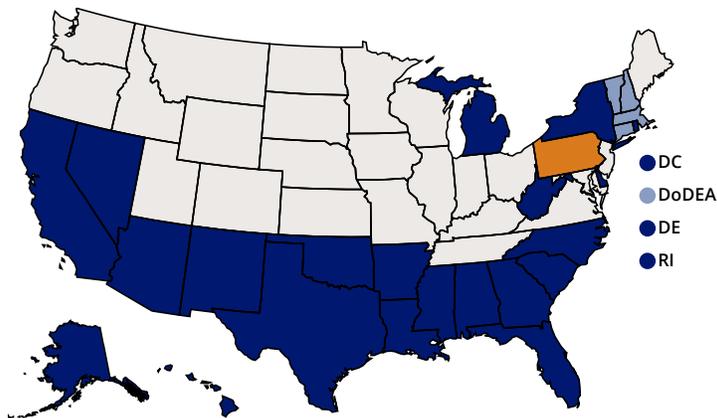


### Overall Results

- In 2015, the average score of eighth-grade students in Pennsylvania was 269. This was higher than the average score of 264 for public school students in the nation.
- The average score for students in Pennsylvania in 2015 (269) was not significantly different from their average score in 2013 (272) and in 2002 (265).
- The percentage of students in Pennsylvania who performed at or above the NAEP *Proficient* level was 39 percent in 2015. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2013 (42 percent) and in 2002 (35 percent).
- The percentage of students in Pennsylvania who performed at or above the NAEP *Basic* level was 78 percent in 2015. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2013 (81 percent) and in 2002 (77 percent).

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



In 2015, the average score in Pennsylvania (269) was

- lower than those in 5 states/jurisdictions
- higher than those in 22 states/jurisdictions
- not significantly different from those in 24 states/jurisdictions

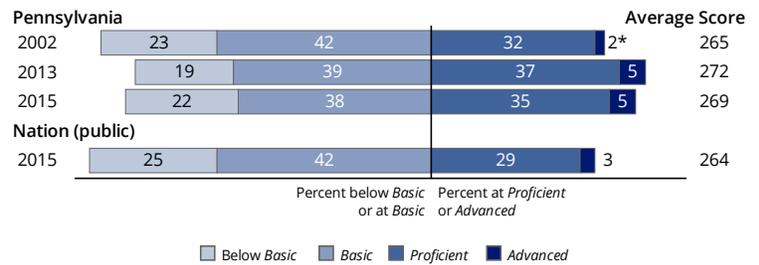
DoDEA = Department of Defense Education Activity (overseas and domestic schools)

### 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	69	276	86	47	5
Black	18	245	53	13	#
Hispanic	8	250	61	18	2
Asian	3	291	90	65	17
American Indian/Alaska Native	#	‡	‡	‡	‡
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	#	‡	‡	‡	‡
Two or more races	2	260	65	28	5
<b>Gender</b>					
Male	51	265	75	35	3
Female	49	273	80	44	6
<b>National School Lunch Program</b>					
Eligible	46	253	63	20	1
Not eligible	54	282	90	55	7

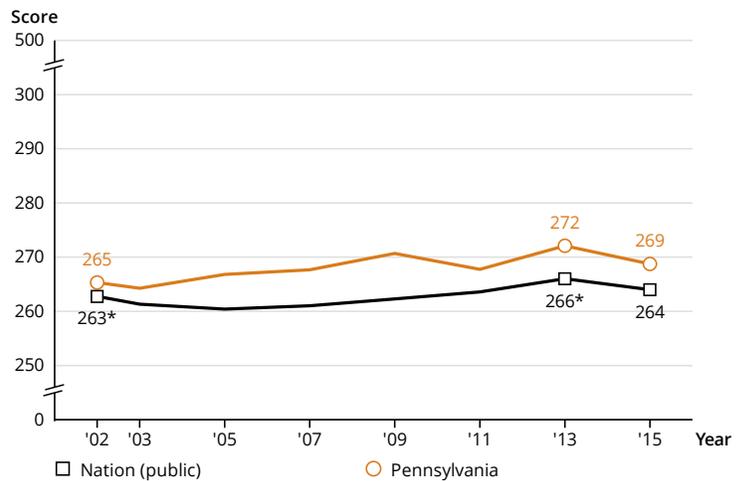
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 ‡ Reporting standards not met.  
 NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals because of rounding, and because the "Information not available" category for the National School Lunch Program, which provides free/reduced-price lunches, is not displayed. Black 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 32 points lower than that for White students. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 2002 (35 points).
- In 2015, Hispanic students had an average score that was 27 points lower than that for White students. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 2002 (31 points).
- In 2015, female students in Pennsylvania had an average score that was higher than that for male students by 9 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 29 points lower than that for students who were not eligible. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 2002 (28 points).