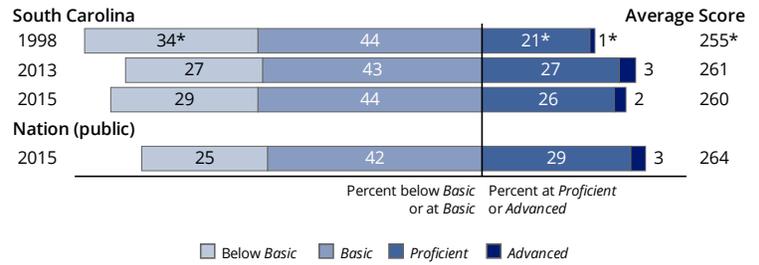


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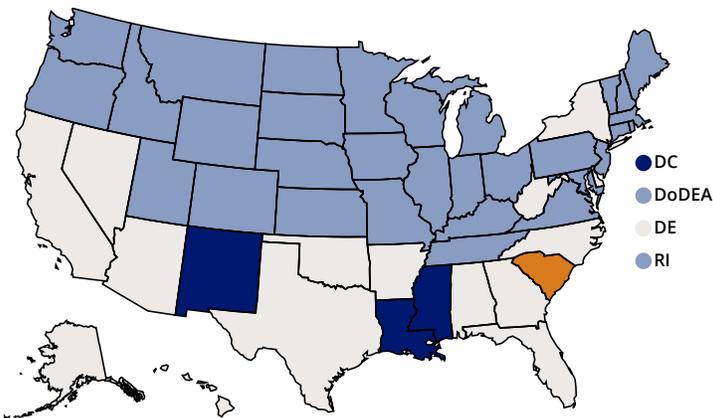
- In 2015, the average score of eighth-grade students in South Carolina was 260. This was lower than the average score of 264 for public school students in the nation.
- The average score for students in South Carolina in 2015 (260) was not significantly different from their average score in 2013 (261) and was higher than their average score in 1998 (255).
- The percentage of students in South Carolina 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 (22 percent).
- The percentage of students in South Carolina who performed at or above the NAEP *Basic* level was 71 percent in 2015. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2013 (73 percent) and was greater than that in 1998 (66 percent).

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.

Compare the Average Score in 2015 to Other States/Jurisdictions

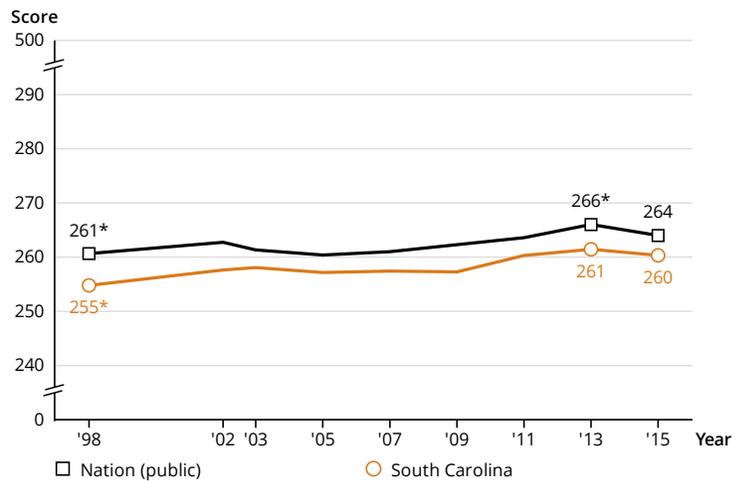


In 2015, the average score in South Carolina (260) was

- lower than those in 32 states/jurisdictions
- higher than those in 4 states/jurisdictions
- not significantly different from those in 15 states/jurisdictions

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

Average Scores for State/Jurisdiction and Nation (public)



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

Results for Student Groups in 2015

Reporting Groups	Percentage of students	Avg. score	Percentage at or above Basic	Percentage at Proficient	Percentage at Advanced
Race/Ethnicity					
White	56	271	83	38	3
Black	33	244	52	11	#
Hispanic	6	249	59	17	1
Asian	1	‡	‡	‡	‡
American Indian/Alaska Native	#	‡	‡	‡	‡
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	#	‡	‡	‡	‡
Two or more races	3	267	80	31	3
Gender					
Male	50	254	65	22	1
Female	50	267	78	34	3
National School Lunch Program					
Eligible	57	250	61	17	1
Not eligible	43	274	86	43	4

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

Score Gaps for Student Groups

- In 2015, Black 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 1998 (25 points).
- In 2015, Hispanic students had an average score that was 21 points lower than that for White students. Data are not reported for Hispanic students in 1998, because reporting standards were not met.
- In 2015, female students in South Carolina had an average score that was higher than that for male students by 12 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 24 points lower than that for students who were not eligible. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1998 (26 points).