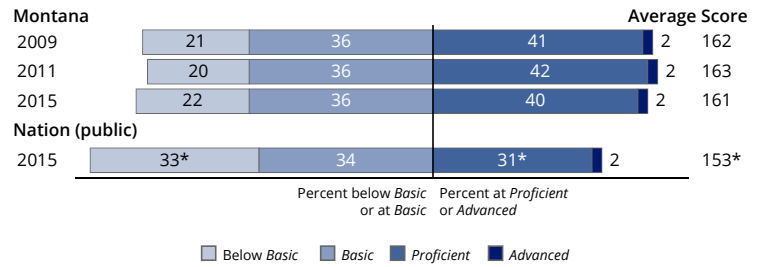


Overall Results

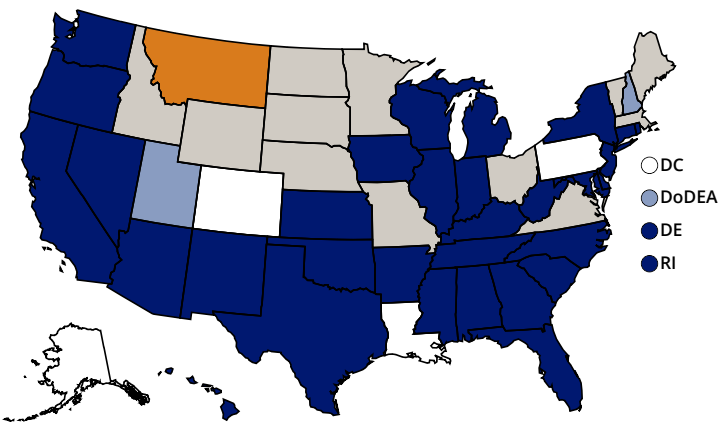
- In 2015, the average score of eighth-grade students in Montana was 161. This was higher than the average score of 153 for public school students in the nation.
- The average score for students in Montana in 2015 (161) was not significantly different from their average score in 2011 (163) and in 2009 (162).
- The percentage of students in Montana who performed at or above the NAEP *Proficient* level was 41 percent in 2015. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2011 (44 percent) and in 2009 (43 percent).
- The percentage of students in Montana who performed at or above the NAEP *Basic* level was 78 percent in 2015. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2011 (80 percent) and in 2009 (79 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



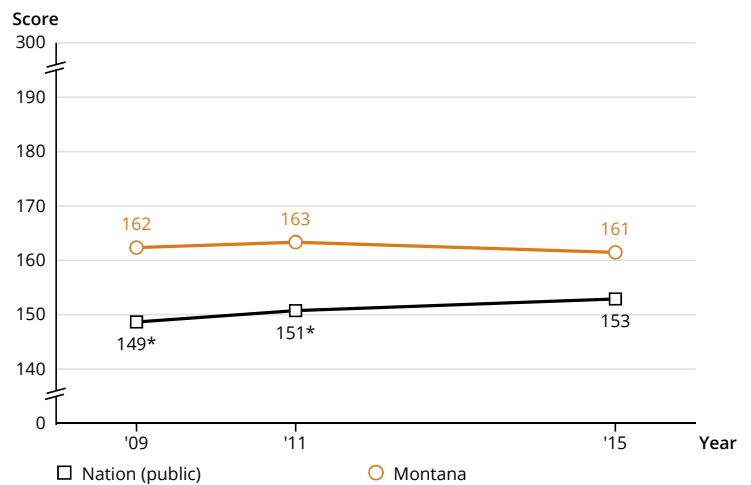
In 2015, the average score in Montana (161) was

- lower than those in 3 states/jurisdictions
- higher than those in 31 states/jurisdictions
- not significantly different from those in 12 states/jurisdictions

5 states/jurisdictions did not participate in 2015

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	81	166	83	47	2
Black	1	‡	‡	‡	‡
Hispanic	4	149	63	22	#
Asian	#	‡	‡	‡	‡
American Indian/Alaska Native	10	132	38	9	#
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	#	‡	‡	‡	‡
Two or more races	3	‡	‡	‡	‡
Gender					
Male	51	162	78	45	2
Female	49	160	78	38	1
National School Lunch Program					
Eligible	41	150	65	27	1
Not eligible	59	169	87	52	3

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

- Data are not reported for Black students in 2015, because reporting standards were not met.
- In 2015, Hispanic students had an average score that was 17 points lower than that for White students. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 2009 (11 points).
- In 2015, male students in Montana had an average score that was not significantly different from that for female students.
- In 2015, students who were eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch, an indicator of low family income, had an average score that was 19 points lower than that for students who were not eligible. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 2009 (17 points).