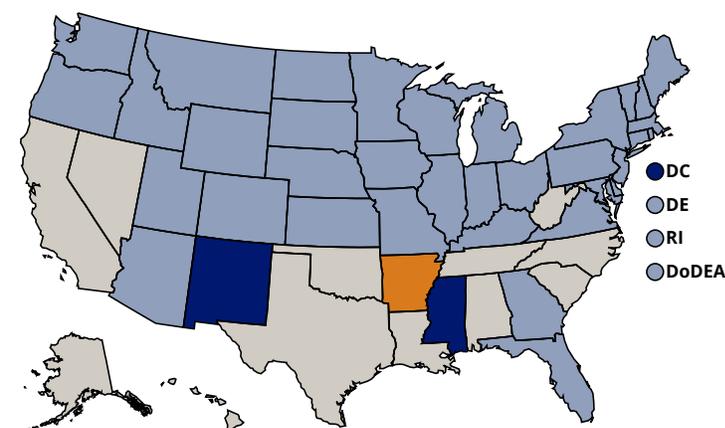


Overall Results

- In 2017, the average score of eighth-grade students in Arkansas was 260. This was lower than the average score of 265 for public school students in the nation.
- The average score for students in Arkansas in 2017 (260) was not significantly different from their average score in 2015 (259) and was higher than their average score in 1998 (256).
- The percentage of students in Arkansas who performed at or above the NAEP *Proficient* level was 29 percent in 2017. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2015 (27 percent) and was greater than that in 1998 (23 percent).
- The percentage of students in Arkansas who performed at or above the NAEP *Basic* level was 71 percent in 2017. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2015 (70 percent) and in 1998 (68 percent).

Compare the Average Score in 2017 to Other States/Jurisdictions



In 2017, the average score in Arkansas (260) 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 2017

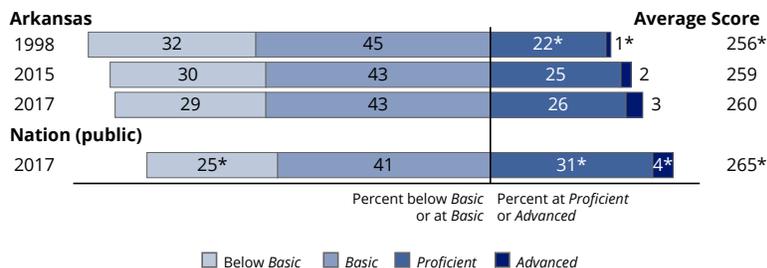
Reporting Groups	Percentage of students	Avg. score	Percentage at or above		Percentage at Advanced
			Basic	Proficient	
Race/Ethnicity					
White	64	266	78	34	3
Black	19	241	51	12	#
Hispanic	13	255	66	23	1
Asian	2	‡	‡	‡	‡
American Indian/Alaska Native	1	‡	‡	‡	‡
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	#	‡	‡	‡	‡
Two or more races	2	‡	‡	‡	‡
Gender					
Male	51	256	67	25	2
Female	49	264	75	33	3
National School Lunch Program					
Eligible	60	252	63	21	1
Not eligible	39	272	84	40	5

Rounds to zero.

‡ Reporting standards not met.

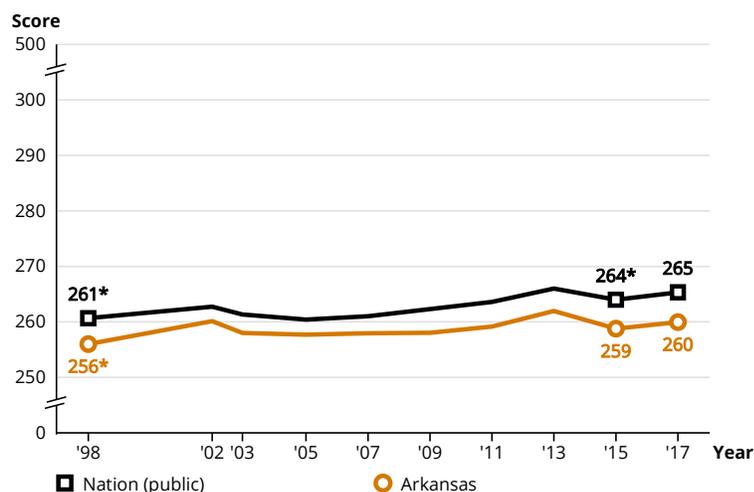
NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals because of rounding, and because the "Information not available" category for the National School Lunch Program, which provides free/reduced-price lunches, is not displayed. Black includes African American and Hispanic includes Latino. Race categories exclude Hispanic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

Achievement-Level Percentages and Average Score Results



* Significantly different ($p < .05$) from state's results in 2017. 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 2017. Significance tests were performed using unrounded numbers.

Score Gaps for Student Groups

- In 2017, Black 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 (29 points).
- In 2017, Hispanic students had an average score that was 11 points lower than that for White students. Data are not reported for Hispanic students in 1998, because reporting standards were not met.
- In 2017, female students in Arkansas had an average score that was higher than that for male students by 8 points.
- In 2017, students who were eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch, an indicator of low family income, had an average score that was 20 points lower than that for students who were not eligible. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1998 (21 points).