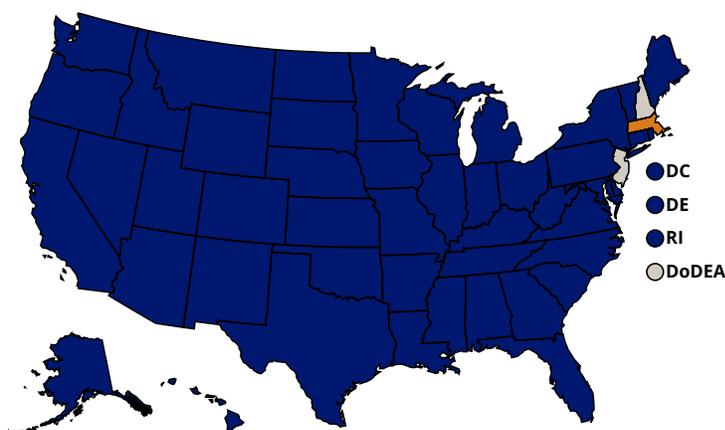


Overall Results

- In 2017, the average score of eighth-grade students in Massachusetts was 278. This was higher than the average score of 265 for public school students in the nation.
- The average score for students in Massachusetts in 2017 (278) was higher than their average score in 2015 (274) and in 1998 (269).
- The percentage of students in Massachusetts who performed at or above the NAEP *Proficient* level was 49 percent in 2017. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2015 (46 percent) and was greater than that in 1998 (38 percent).
- The percentage of students in Massachusetts who performed at or above the NAEP *Basic* level was 85 percent in 2017. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2015 (83 percent) and was greater than that in 1998 (79 percent).

Compare the Average Score in 2017 to Other States/Jurisdictions



In 2017, the average score in Massachusetts (278) was

- lower than those in 0 states/jurisdictions
- higher than those in 48 states/jurisdictions
- not significantly different from those in 3 states/jurisdictions

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

Results for Student Groups in 2017

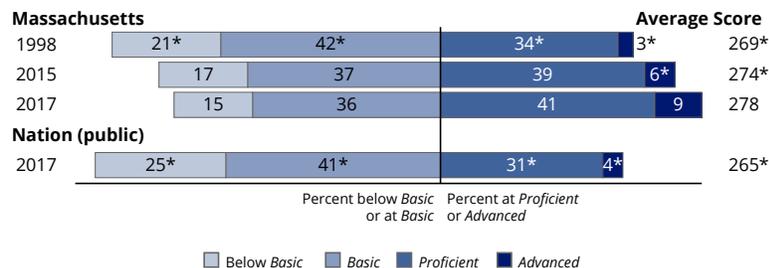
Reporting Groups	Percentage of students	Avg. score	Percentage at or above		Percentage at Advanced
			Basic	Proficient	
Race/Ethnicity					
White	66	283	89	55	10
Black	8	258	69	26	2
Hispanic	16	259	70	28	3
Asian	7	292	93	66	15
American Indian/Alaska Native	#	‡	‡	‡	‡
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	#	‡	‡	‡	‡
Two or more races	3	291	96	63	12
Gender					
Male	50	273	82	44	6
Female	50	282	88	55	11
National School Lunch Program					
Eligible	25	257	69	25	2
Not eligible	74	285	91	58	11

Rounds to zero.

‡ Reporting standards not met.

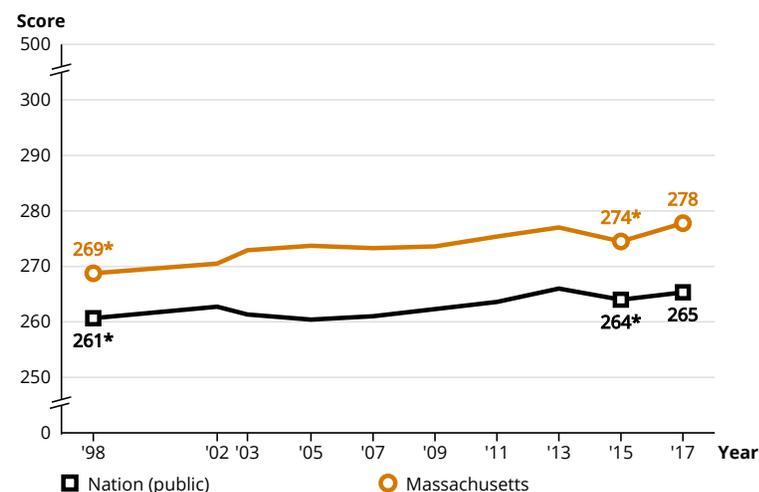
NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals because of rounding, and because the "Information not available" category for the National School Lunch Program, which provides free/reduced-price lunches, is not displayed. Black includes African American and Hispanic includes Latino. Race categories exclude Hispanic 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 (27 points).
- In 2017, Hispanic students had an average score that was 24 points lower than that for White students. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1998 (32 points).
- In 2017, female students in Massachusetts had an average score that was higher than that for male students by 9 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 28 points lower than that for students who were not eligible. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1998 (29 points).