In 2017, the average score of fourth-grade students in South Carolina was 213. This was lower than the average score of 221 for public school students in the nation.

The average score for students in South Carolina in 2017 (213) was lower than their average score in 2015 (218) and was higher than their average score in 1998 (209).

The percentage of students in South Carolina who performed at or above the NAEP Proficient level was 29 percent in 2017. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2015 (33 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 59 percent in 2017. This percentage was smaller than that in 2015 (65 percent) and was greater than that in 1998 (53 percent).

In 2017, the average score in South Carolina (213) was

lower than those in 38 states/jurisdictions
higher than those in 2 states/jurisdictions
not significantly different from those in 11 states/jurisdictions

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

In 2017, Black students had an average score that was 29 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 20 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 South Carolina had an average score that was higher than that for male students by 7 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 31 points lower than that for students who were not eligible. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1998 (29 points).