

Profile Report - State

Graduating Class 2015

West Virginia



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This report provides information about the performance of your 2015 graduating seniors who took the ACT as sophomores, juniors, or seniors; and self-reported at the time of testing that they were scheduled to graduate in 2015. Beginning with the Graduating Class of 2013, all students whose scores are college reportable, both standard and extended time tests, are now included in the report.

This report focuses on:

Performance - student test performance in the context of college readiness

Access - number of your graduates exposed to college entrance testing and the percent of race/ethnicity participation

Course Selection - percent of students pursuing a core curriculum

Course Rigor - impact of rigorous coursework on achievement

College Readiness - percent of students meeting ACT College Readiness Benchmark Scores in each content area

Awareness - extent to which student aspirations match performance

Articulation - colleges and universities to which your students send test results

Each year, test data for a school, district, and the state represents a different cohort of students. ACT encourages educators to focus on trends (3, 5, 10 years), not year-to-year changes. Such changes can represent normal – even expected – fluctuations. On the other hand, trend lines offer more insight into what is happening in a school, district, or the state.

Furthermore, ACT encourages educators to measure student performance in the context of college readiness measures. The focus should be on the number and percentage of students who met or exceeded ACT's College Readiness Benchmark Scores, a measure that is much more meaningful and understandable than an average composite score for a group of students.

The ACT is a curriculum-based measure of college readiness. ACT components include:

Tests of academic achievement in English, math, reading, science, and writing (optional) High school grade and course information Student Profile Section Career Interest Inventory

The ACT:

Every few years, ACT conducts the **ACT National Curriculum Survey** to ensure its curriculum-based assessment tools accurately measure the skills high school teachers teach and instructors of entry-level college courses expect. The ACT is the only college readiness test designed to reflect the results of such a survey.

ACT's **College Readiness Standards** are sets of statements intended to help students, parents and educators understand the meaning of test scores. The standards relate test scores to the types of skills needed for success in high school and beyond. They serve as a direct link between what students have learned and what they are ready to do next. The ACT is the only college readiness test for which scores can be tied directly to standards. *Connecting College Readiness Standards to the Classroom* interpretive guides can be found at www.act.org/standard/infoserv.html.

Only the ACT reports **College Readiness Benchmark Scores** – A benchmark score is the minimum score needed on an ACT subject-area test to indicate a 50% chance of obtaining a B or higher or about a 75% chance of obtaining a C or higher in the corresponding credit-bearing college courses, which include English Composition, Algebra, Social Science and Biology. These scores were empirically derived based on the actual performance of students in college. The College Readiness Benchmark Scores, updated in August of 2013, are:

College Course/Course Area	ACT Test	Benchmark Score
English Composition	English	18
Algebra	Mathematics	22
Social Sciences	Reading	22
Biology	Science	23

For more information, go to www.act.org

How to Improve Scores and Increase College Readiness

21% of your students met all four ACT College Readiness Benchmark Scores (Table 1.1). To improve students' scores and increase the percentage of students identified as college ready, ACT suggests:

PROVIDING ACCESS FOR ALL STUDENTS TO TAKE THE ACT: 11,289 of your students are included in this report (the 'cohort'). Increasing access insures that more students have the opportunity to consider college and allows the reader to use this report to evaluate how well courses and instructional programs are preparing students for college and work.

MAKING CORE CURRICULUM A PRIORITY: Emphasize the need for all students to develop college and work ready skills, regardless of postsecondary aspirations. 78% of the students in the cohort reported taking courses that would be considered 'Core or More' (Table 1.4).

MAKING SURE STUDENTS ARE TAKING THE RIGHT KINDS OF COURSES: Table 3.2 reports 4% of the cohort took less than three years of math courses. Of these students, 5% were college ready. 9% of the cohort reported taking a course sequence of Algebra I, Algebra II, and Geometry. 7% of these students were college ready. In comparison, 39% of the students who took 3 or more years of math beyond Algebra I, Algebra II, and Geometry were college ready. Getting more students ready for Algebra prior to 9th grade will increase the chances that students will be prepared for and take advanced-level math courses.

Similarly, Table 3.2 reports 15% of the cohort took less than three years of natural science courses. 15% of these students were college ready. In comparison, 37% of students who took at least three years of science coursework were college ready.

EVALUATING RIGOR OF COURSES: Table 2.6 reports the percentage of students falling in each of the ACT College Readiness Standards score ranges. For example, approximately 56% of the cohort fall into the lowest three Mathematics score ranges. To increase these students' achievement, identify the standards they should focus on next by accessing ACT's College Readiness Standards at www.act.org/standard.

PLAN GUIDANCE ACTIVITIES BASED ON STUDENTS' CAREER AND COLLEGE ASPIRATIONS: Data in Tables 4.1 and 4.2 enable the reader to determine if aspirations are consistent with academic performance and whether among students with similar aspirations, academic performance is consistent across racial/ethnic groups.

For more information on interpreting data in this report, or to learn how ACT can help your students improve their readiness for college and the workplace, contact ACT Customer Service at 319-337-1309 or customerservices@act.org.

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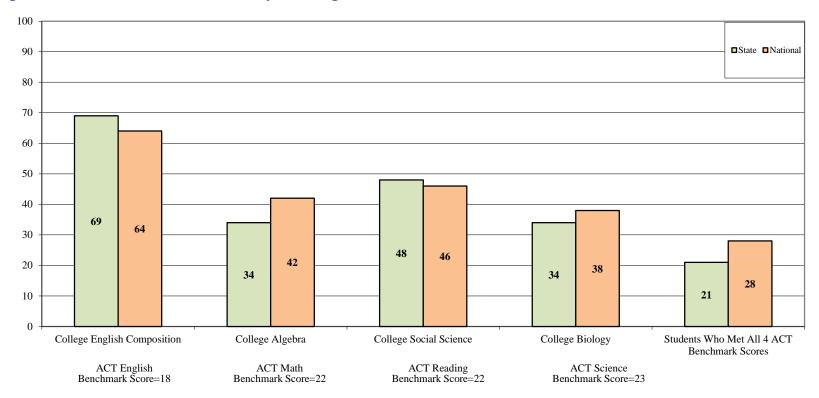
Section I Executive Summary

Beginning in August of 2013, all students whose scores are college reportable, both standard and extended time tests, are now included.

Also beginning in August 2013 Graduating Class data, College Readiness Benchmarks for Reading and Science were updated to reflect the most recent college coursework research.

To find the results of only standard time or extended time test takers, refer to Tables 1.7 and 1.8 on page 10.

Figure 1.1. Percent of Your Students Ready for College-Level Coursework



A benchmark score is the minimum score needed on an ACT subject-area test to indicate a 50% chance of obtaining a B or higher or about a 75% chance of obtaining a C or higher in the corresponding credit-bearing college course.

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Table 1.1. Five Year Trends—Percent of Students Who Met College Readiness Benchmarks

	Number of	of Students	Percent Who Met Benchmarks											
	Te	sted	English		Mathematics		Reading		Sci	ience	Met All Four			
Year	State	National	State	State National		National	State National		State National		State	National		
2011	11,505	1,623,112	70	66	32	45	53	52	23	30	17	25		
2012	11,719	1,666,017	70	67	33	46	53	52	25	31	19	25		
2013	11,426	1,799,243	69	64	33	44	45	44	34	36	20	26		
2014	11,191	1,845,787	68	64	31	43	45	44	32	37	19	26		
2015	11,289	1,924,436	69	64	34	42	48	46	34	38	21	28		

Table 1.2. Five Year Trends—Average ACT Scores

	Number o	f Students					Average A	ACT Scores				
	Te	sted	En	glish	Mathematics		Reading		Sci	ence	Composite	
Year	State	National	State	State National		National	State	State National		National	State	National
2011	11,505	1,623,112	20.6	20.6	19.5	21.1	21.2	21.3	20.5	20.9	20.6	21.1
2012	11,719	1,666,017	20.6	20.5	19.6	21.1	21.3	21.3	20.5	20.9	20.6	21.1
2013	11,426	1,799,243	20.5	20.2	19.5	20.9	21.3	21.1	20.6	20.7	20.6	20.9
2014	11,191	1,845,787	20.4	20.3	19.5	20.9	21.4	21.3	20.6	20.8	20.6	21.0
2015	11,289	1,924,436	20.6	20.4	19.7	20.8	21.5	21.4	20.7	20.9	20.8	21.0

Table 1.3. Five Year Trends—Average ACT Scores Nationwide

	Number of Students		A			
Year	Tested	English	Mathematics	Reading	Science	Composite
2011	1,623,112	20.6	21.1	21.3	20.9	21.1
2012	1,666,017	20.5	21.1	21.3	20.9	21.1
2013	1,799,243	20.2	20.9	21.1	20.7	20.9
2014	1,845,787	20.3	20.9	21.3	20.8	21.0
2015	1,924,436	20.4	20.8	21.4	20.9	21.0

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Table 1.4. Five Year Trends—Average ACT Scores by Level of Preparation

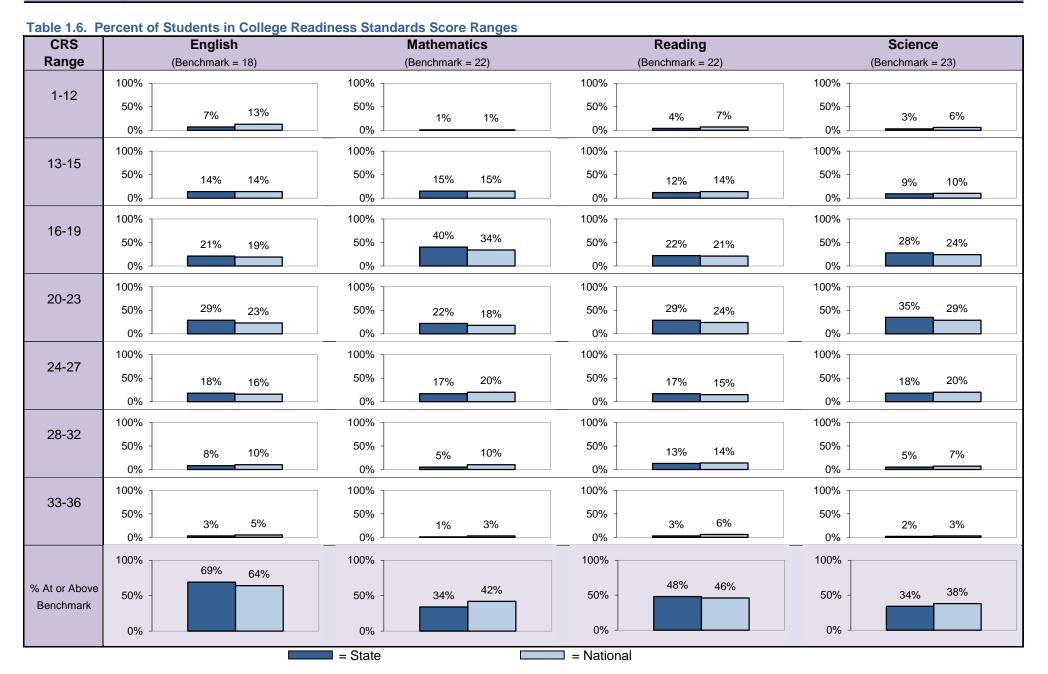
									Average A	ACT Scores				
		f Students sted	Perd	cent ²	Eng	glish	Mathe	ematics	Rea	ading	Sci	ence	Composite	
Year	Core or More ¹	Less than Core	Core or More	Less than Core	Core or More	Less than Core								
2011	8,847	2,414	77	21	21.4	18.4	20.1	17.6	21.9	19.3	21.1	18.6	21.2	18.6
2012	9,571	1,993	82	17	21.3	17.9	20.1	17.3	21.8	18.9	21.0	18.1	21.2	18.2
2013	9,226	1,962	81	17	21.1	18.1	20.0	17.4	21.9	19.2	21.1	18.6	21.2	18.4
2014	8,656	2,181	77	19	21.2	18.0	20.2	17.3	22.0	19.3	21.2	18.4	21.3	18.4
2015	8,775	2,296	78	20	21.4	18.2	20.4	17.7	22.2	19.5	21.3	18.7	21.4	18.7

¹"Core or More" results correspond to students taking four or more years of English AND three or more years each of math, social studies, and natural science.

Table 1.5. Five Year Trends—Percent and Average Composite Score by Race/Ethnicity

	20	2011			012		20	013		20	014		2015		
	N	%	Avg	N	%	Avg	Ν	%	Avg	N	%	Avg	N	%	Avg
All Students	11,505	100	20.6	11,719	100	20.6	11,426	100	20.6	11,191	100	20.6	11,289	100	20.8
Black/African American	406	4	17.6	461	4	17.3	422	4	17.5	397	4	17.1	382	3	17.6
American Indian/Alaska Native	46	0	19.0	33	0	19.9	19	0	20.2	29	0	19.3	25	0	18.6
White	10,195	89	20.7	10,296	88	20.7	9,939	87	20.7	9,792	87	20.7	9,835	87	20.9
Hispanic/Latino	167	1	20.5	210	2	20.4	231	2	20.5	204	2	20.3	205	2	19.9
Asian	106	1	24.4	97	1	23.2	91	1	23.5	97	1	24.1	99	1	24.5
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	5	0	22.4	5	0	20.6	8	0	20.3	5	0	21.2	13	0	19.8
Two or more races	259	2	20.2	352	3	20.3	402	4	20.4	380	3	20.5	421	4	20.5
Prefer not to respond/No response	321	3	20.4	265	2	21.4	314	3	20.2	287	3	20.7	309	3	20.6

²Percent of all students tested. Numbers will not add up to 100% due to student non-response.



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Table 1.7. Average ACT College Reportable Scores by Test Session Duration

Student Group	Test Session				Aver	age ACT Sco	ores	
Student Group	Duration	N	Percent	English	Mathematics	Reading	Science	Composite
	Standard Time		98	20.7	19.8	21.6	20.7	20.9
State	Extended Time	248	2	15.7	16.7	18.2	17.1	17.1
	Total	11,289	100	20.6	19.7	21.5	20.7	20.8
	Standard Time	1,838,433	96	20.6	21.0	21.5	21.1	21.2
National	Extended Time	86,003	4	16.5	18.1	18.8	18.3	18.1
	Total	1,924,436	100	20.4	20.8	21.4	20.9	21.0

Table 1.8. Percent of Students Who Met College Readiness Benchmark Scores by Test Session Duration

Student Group	Test Session		Met			
Student Group	Duration	English	Mathematics	Reading	Science	All Four
	Standard Time	69	34	49	34	22
State	Extended Time	29	12	27	15	7
	Total	69	34	48	34	21
	Standard Time	65	43	47	39	28
National	Extended Time	38	22	32	23	16
	Total	64	42	46	38	28

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Section II Academic Achievement

Beginning with the Graduating Class of 2013, all students whose scores are college reportable, both standard and extended time tests, are now included. Also beginning with the 2013 Graduating Class data, College Readiness Benchmarks for Reading and Science were updated to reflect the most recent college coursework research.

Table 2.1. ACT Score Distributions, Cumulative Percentages (CP¹), and Score Averages

ACT Scale	Enç	glish	Mathe	matics	Rea	ding	Scie	ence	Comp	posite	ACT Scale
Score	N	CP	N	СР	N	СР	N	СР	N	CP	Score
36	14	100	14	100	44	100	31	100	2	100	36
35	82	100	19	100	45	100	42	100	13	100	35
34	145	99	30	100	112	99	66	99	25	100	34
33	114	98	31	99	168	98	53	99	59	100	33
32	121	97	45	99	238	97	82	98	77	99	32
31	158	96	37	99	293	95	67	98	114	98	31
30	159	94	88	98	331	92	89	97	175	97	30
29	192	93	115	98	277	89	139	96	183	96	29
28	301	91	229	97	330	87	168	95	278	94	28
27	341	89	334	95	366	84	227	93	315	92	27
26	454	86	461	92	474	80	472	91	460	89	26
25	594	82	435	88	463	76	603	87	630	85	25
24	591	76	662	84	661	72	756	82	730	79	24
23	833	71	685	78	770	66	997	75	832	73	23
22	743	64	626	72	860	60	941	66	912	66	22
21	875	57	543	66	765	52	976	58	748	57	21
20	873	49	630	61	857	45	1,057	49	871	51	20
19	554	42	725	56	684	38	880	40	1,004	43	19
18	590	37	877	49	813	31	932	32	929	34	18
17	582	31	1,344	42	489	24	546	24	815	26	17
16	619	26	1,621	30	491	20	766	19	710	19	16
15	784	21	1,082	15	511	16	465	12	617	12	15
14	468	14	425	6	388	11	308	8	409	7	14
13	280	10	163	2	430	8	287	6	243	3	13
12	264	7	54	1	230	4	132	3	106	1	12
11	243	5	11	1	109	2	118	2	28	1	11
10	177	3	2	1	67	1	51	1	3	1	10
9	83	1	0	1	8	1	27	1	1	1	9
8	29	1	1	1	8	1	9	1	0	1	8
7	18	1	0	1	4	1	1	1 1	0	1	7
6	7	1	0	1	1	1	0	1 1	0	1	6
5	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1 1	0	1	5
4	0	1	0	1	2	1	0	1 1	0	1	4
3	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1 1	0	1	3
2	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	2
1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
Avg (SD)	20.6	5 (5.7)	19.7	(4.4)	21.5	(5.6)	20.7	(4.6)	20.8	(4.5)	Avg (SD)

¹CP is the cumulative percent of students at or below a score point.

Note: Shaded portions of columns identify the students who met/exceeded the ACT College Readiness Benchmark Scores.

Table 2.2. ACT Subscore Distributions, Cumulative Percentages (CP¹), and Subscore Averages

		Engl	lish			Rea	ding				Mathem	atics			
ACT Scale	Usage/ Med	chanics	Rhetorica	l Skills	Social St Science		Arts/ Lite	rature	Pre/Elem Algel	•	Algebra/ Co Geom		Plane Geo Trigono	•	ACT Scale
Score	N	CP	N	CP	N	CP	N	CP	N	CP	N	CP	N	CP	Score
18	265	100	82	100	171	100	302	100	151	100	28	100	29	100	18
17	442	98	107	99	415	98	419	97	196	99	45	100	10	100	17
16	417	94	426	98	493	95	682	94	382	97	86	99	143	100	16
15	514	90	664	95	712	90	904	88	400	94	309	99	373	98	15
14	611	85	707	89	807	84	901	80	611	90	622	96	615	95	14
13	593	80	965	82	987	77	794	72	930	85	894	90	906	90	13
12	1,000	75	1,353	74	1,326	68	1,101	65	1,125	76	1,045	82	1,085	82	12
11	1,415	66	1,267	62	1,093	56	965	55	989	66	1,476	73	1,129	72	11
10	1,352	53	1,342	51	1,435	47	1,164	46	1,010	58	2,031	60	1,844	62	10
9	1,065	41	1,418	39	1,104	34	992	36	1,299	49	1,727	42	1,924	46	9
8	1,099	32	1,205	26	1,265	24	733	27	1,305	37	1,519	27	1,393	29	8
7	843	22	680	16	799	13	712	21	1,735	26	816	13	681	16	7
6	735	15	456	10	375	6	823	14	708	10	240	6	511	10	6
5	499	8	388	5	196	3	459	7	276	4	252	4	364	6	5
4	298	4	176	2	74	1	239	3	122	2	63	2	100	2	4
3	100	1	41	1	9	1	75	1	37	1	102	1	133	2	3
2	39	1	10	1	25	1	23	1	11	1	3	1	6	1	2
1	2	1	2	1	3	1	1	1	2	1	31	1	43	1	1
Avg (SD)	10.3 (3	.5)	10.5 (3	3.0)	11.0 (3	3.2)	11.0 (3	3.7)	10.1 (3.2)	10.0 (2	2.6)	9.9 (2	Avg (SD)	

¹CP is the cumulative percent of students at or below a score point.

Table 2.3. ACT Score Quartile Values

Quartile	English	Mathematics	Reading	Science	Composite
Q3 (75th Percentile)	24	23	25	23	24
Q2 (50th Percentile)	21	19	21	21	20
Q1 (25th Percentile)	16	16	18	18	17

Table 2.4. Average ACT Composite Scores for Race/Ethnicity by Level of Preparation

Student		Number of Students	Percent Taking	Average ACT C	omposite Score
Group	Race/Ethnicity	Tested	Core or More ¹	Core or More	Less Than Core
	All Students	11,289	78	21.4	18.7
	Black/African American	382	70	18.0	16.9
	American Indian/Alaska Native	25	60	20.1	16.8
	White	9,835	79	21.5	18.8
State	Hispanic/Latino	205	76	20.5	18.2
	Asian	99	81	25.5	20.7
	Native Hawaiian/Other Pac. Isl.	13	77	20.7	16.7
	Two or more races	421	75	21.3	18.1
	Prefer not/No Response	309	61	22.7	18.7
	All Students	1,924,436	72	21.9	18.9
	Black/African American	252,566	67	17.8	15.9
	American Indian/Alaska Native	14,711	61	19.0	16.5
	White	1,057,803	76	23.2	20.2
National	Hispanic/Latino	299,920	71	19.6	17.4
	Asian	87,499	79	24.5	22.0
	Native Hawaiian/Other Pac. Isl.	6,090	62	20.3	16.5
	Two or more races	76,066	73	22.0	19.3
	Prefer not/No Response	129,781	54	22.6	18.5

¹"Core or More" results correspond to students taking four or more years of English AND three or more years each of math, social studies, and natural science.

Table 2.5. Average ACT Scores by Race/Ethnicity

Student						
Group	Race/Ethnicity	English	Mathematics	Reading	Science	Composite
	All Students	20.6	19.7	21.5	20.7	20.8
	Black/African American	16.8	17.4	18.0	17.9	17.6
	American Indian/Alaska Native	17.3	18.2	19.4	19.0	18.6
	White	20.8	19.8	21.7	20.8	20.9
State	Hispanic/Latino	19.3	19.1	20.8	19.8	19.9
	Asian	24.6	24.6	24.1	23.9	24.5
	Native Hawaiian/Other Pac. Isl.	19.2	19.5	20.0	20.0	19.8
	Two or more races	20.2	19.4	21.4	20.3	20.5
	Prefer not/No Response	20.2	19.6	21.5	20.6	20.6
	All Students	20.4	20.8	21.4	20.9	21.0
	Black/African American	15.9	17.2	17.4	17.3	17.1
	American Indian/Alaska Native	16.6	18.1	18.4	18.2	17.9
	White	22.1	21.9	22.9	22.2	22.4
National	Hispanic/Latino	17.8	19.1	19.2	19.0	18.9
	Asian	23.0	25.0	23.3	23.6	23.9
	Native Hawaiian/Other Pac. Isl.	17.7	19.2	18.9	18.8	18.8
	Two or more races	20.7	20.8	21.8	21.1	21.2
	Prefer not/No Response	19.9	20.5	21.1	20.5	20.6

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Table 2.6. Percent of Students in College Readiness Standards (CRS) Score Ranges

Student	CRS	Eng	lish	Mathe	matics	Rea	ding	Scie	ence
Group	Range	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
	33 to 36	355	3	94	1	369	3	192	2
	28 to 32	931	8	514	5	1,469	13	545	5
	24 to 27	1,980	18	1,892	17	1,964	17	2,058	18
State	20 to 23	3,324	29	2,484	22	3,252	29	3,971	35
	16 to 19	2,345	21	4,567	40	2,477	22	3,124	28
	13 to 15	1,532	14	1,670	15	1,329	12	1,060	9
	01 to 12	822	7	68	1	429	4	339	3
	33 to 36	100,774	5	54,201	3	114,663	6	62,731	3
	28 to 32	198,676	10	185,515	10	261,565	14	140,666	7
	24 to 27	303,299	16	384,130	20	281,364	15	388,063	20
National	20 to 23	444,997	23	352,854	18	463,232	24	559,967	29
	16 to 19	357,690	19	646,399	34	409,189	21	462,353	24
	13 to 15	277,710	14	283,831	15	264,288	14	200,383	10
	01 to 12	241,290	13	17,506	1	130,135	7	110,273	6

Table 2.7. Average ACT Scores by Gender

Student Group	Gender				Aver	age ACT Sco	ores	
Student Group	Gender	N	Percent	English	Mathematics	Reading	Science	Composite
	Males	4,939	44	20.4	20.4	21.6	21.3	21.1
State	Females	6,338	56	20.8	19.2	21.5	20.2	20.6
	Missing	12	0	10.5	15.1	13.9	15.5	13.8
	Males	895,775	47	20.0	21.3	21.2	21.3	21.1
National	Females	1,013,212	53	20.8	20.4	21.6	20.6	21.0
	Missing	15,449	1	15.7	17.7	17.6	17.5	17.3

Table 2.8. Percent of Students Who Met College Readiness Benchmark Scores by Gender

Student Group	Gender		Per	cent of Stude	ents	Met
Student Group	Gender	English	Mathematics	Reading	Science	All Four
State	Males	67	40	48	40	26
State	Females	70	29	48	29	18
National	Males	61	46	45	42	30
ivational	Females	66	39	47	36	26

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Table 2.9. College Readiness Benchmark (CRB) Percent and Average ACT Scores by Overall High School Curriculum

Student	Curriculum	NI	Eng	lish	n Mathematics		Rea	ding	Scie	ence	Composite	
Group	Taken ¹	N	CRB %	Avg	CRB %	Avg	CRB %	Avg	CRB %	Avg	CRB % ⁴	Avg
	Core or More ²	8,775	74	21.4	39	20.4	53	22.2	39	21.3	25	21.4
State	Less than Core	2,296	52	18.2	17	17.7	33	19.5	17	18.7	8	18.7
	Missing ³	218	32	15.7	10	16.6	25	17.8	13	16.9	6	16.9
	Core or More	1,389,338	71	21.4	49	21.7	52	22.3	44	21.8	33	21.9
National	Less than Core	424,562	48	18.0	27	18.9	32	19.3	24	19.0	16	18.9
	Missing	110,536	38	16.3	19	17.8	25	18.0	19	17.8	11	17.6

¹ "Curriculum Taken" reflects overall high school curriculum in this table.

Table 2.10. College Readiness Benchmark (CRB) Percent and Average ACT Scores by Content-Specific Curriculum

Student	Curriculum		English		N	/lathematics	3		Reading			Science		
Group	Taken ¹	N	CRB %	Avg	N	CRB %	Avg	N	CRB %	Avg	N	CRB %	Avg	
	Core or More ²	10,918	69	20.7	10,610	36	20.0	10,616	49	21.7	9,347	37	21.1	
State	Less than Core	166	49	18.1	469	5	16.1	464	32	19.4	1,731	15	18.6	
	Missing ³	205	33	15.8	210	10	16.6	209	26	17.9	211	14	17.0	
	Core or More	1,732,463	67	20.8	1,743,121	45	21.2	1,627,689	49	21.8	1,592,830	42	21.5	
National	Less than Core	93,944	36	15.9	78,951	8	16.3	194,720	34	19.5	227,926	18	18.1	
	Missing	98,029	40	16.5	102,364	20	17.8	102,027	26	18.1	103,680	20	18.0	

¹ "Curriculum Taken" reflects content-specific curriculum in this table.

² "Core or More" results correspond to students taking four or more years of English AND three or more years each of math, social studies, and natural science.

³ Zero years or no coursework information reported in one or more content areas.

⁴ Composite CRB% results reflect students who met all four subject-area benchmarks.

² "Core or More" results correspond to students taking four or more years of English or three or more years of math, social studies, or natural science, respectively. For instance, Reading "Core or More" results correspond to students taking three or more years of social studies, regardless of courses taken in other content areas.

³ Zero years or no coursework information reported in the specified content area.

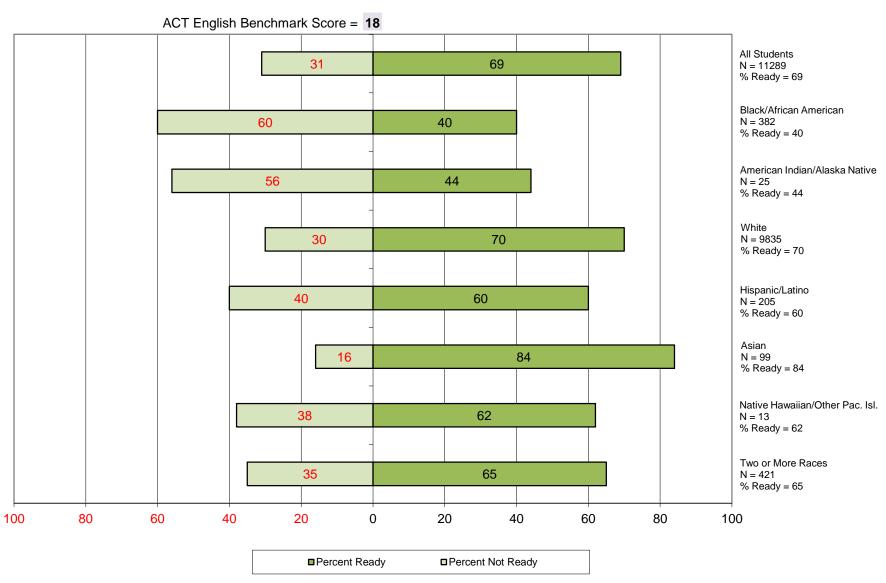
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Section III College Readiness and the Impact of Course Rigor

Beginning with the Graduating Class of 2013, all students whose scores are college reportable, both standard and extended time tests, are now included. Also beginning with the 2013 Graduating Class data, College Readiness Benchmarks for Reading and Science were updated to reflect the most recent college coursework research.

Figure 3.1. Percent of Students Who Met ACT College Readiness Benchmark Scores by Race/Ethnicity: ENGLISH



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Figure 3.2. Percent of Students Who Met ACT College Readiness Benchmark Scores by Race/Ethnicity: MATHEMATICS

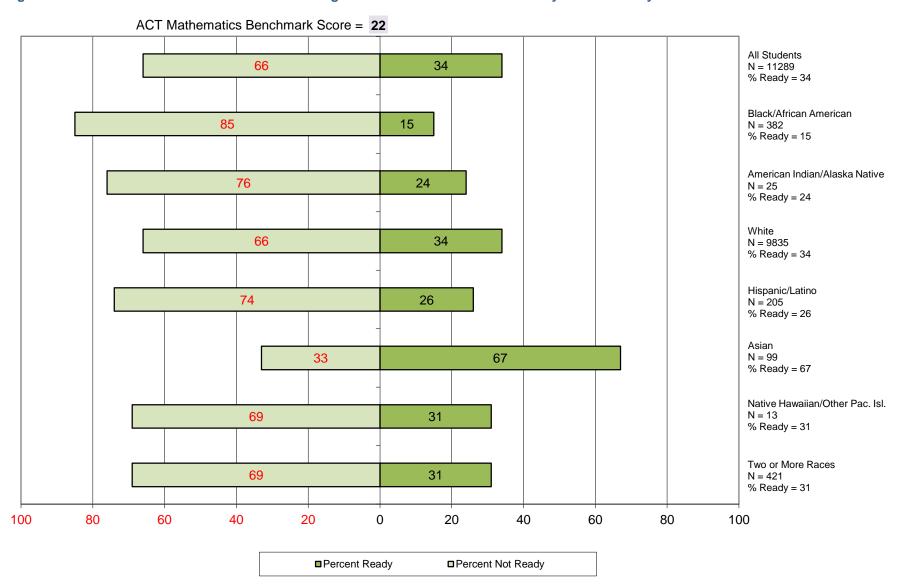


Figure 3.3. Percent of Students Who Met ACT College Readiness Benchmark Scores by Race/Ethnicity: READING

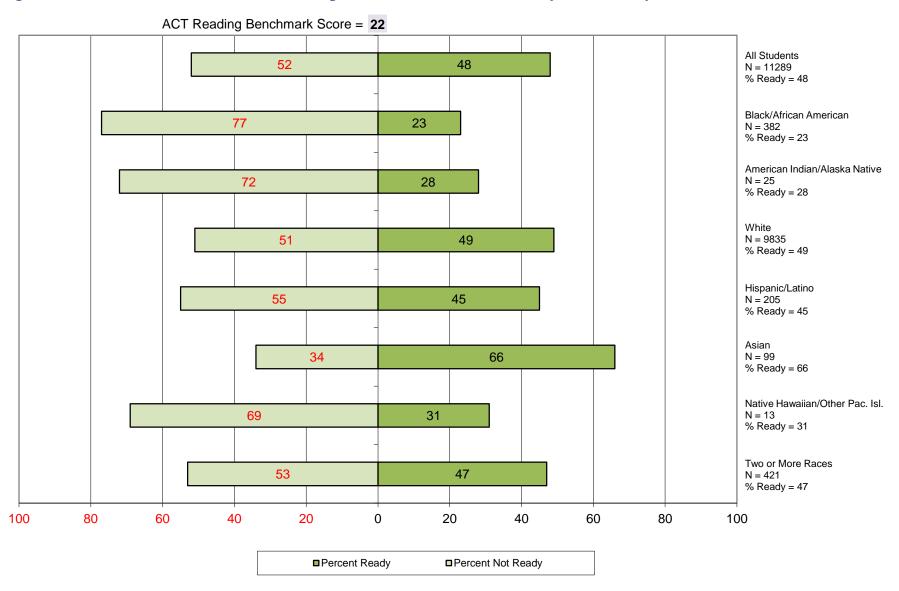


Figure 3.4. Percent of Students Who Met ACT College Readiness Benchmark Scores by Race/Ethnicity: SCIENCE

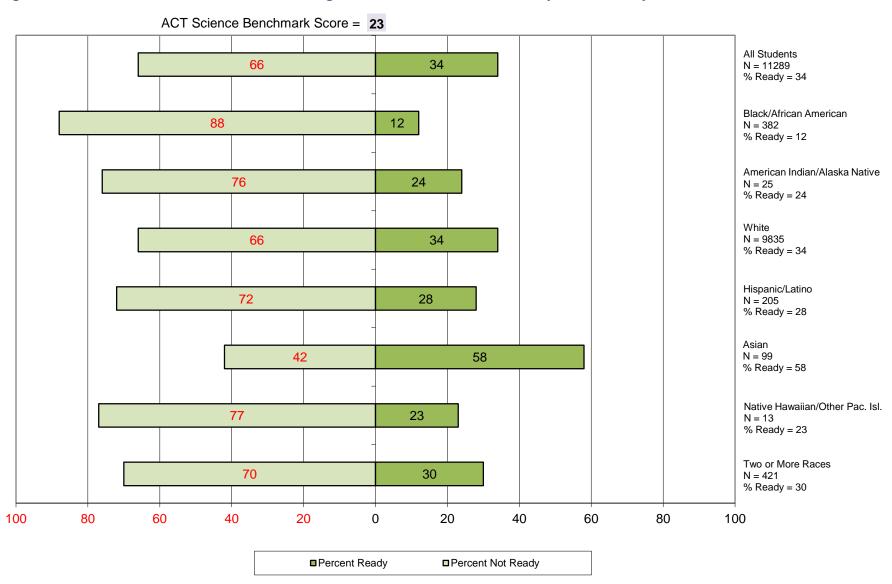


Figure 3.5. Percent of Students Who Met ACT College Readiness Benchmark Scores by Race/Ethnicity: ALL FOUR

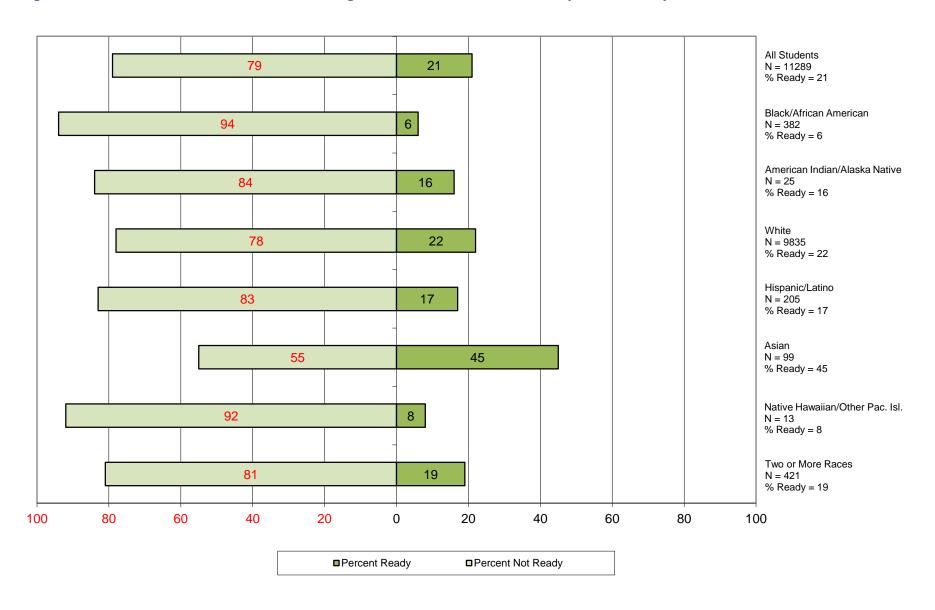


Table 3.1. Average ACT Scores and Average ACT Score Changes by Common Course Patterns

Table 3.1. Average ACT Scores and Average ACT Score Changes by Common Course Patterns												
Course Pattern		All	Students				Males			F	emales	
			ACT	Course Value			ACT	Course Value			ACT	Course Value
ENGLISH COURSE PATTERN	N	Percent	English	Added ¹	N	Percent	English	Added ¹	N	Percent	English	Added ¹
Eng 9, Eng 10, Eng 11, Eng 12, & Other English	2,485	22	21.8	3.7	1,012	20	21.4	2.7	1,473	23	22.0	4.3
Eng 9, Eng 10, Eng 11, Eng 12	8,433	75	20.4	2.3	3,737	76	20.2	1.5	4,691	74	20.6	2.9
Less than 4 years of English	166	1	18.1	-	82	2	18.7	-	83	1	17.7	-
Zero years / no English courses reported	205	2	15.8	-	108	2	16.9	-	91	1	14.9	-
			ACT	Course Value			ACT	Course Value			ACT	Course Value
MATHEMATICS COURSE PATTERN	N	Percent	Math	Added ¹	N	Percent	Math	Added ¹	N	Percent	Math	Added ¹
Alg 1, Alg 2, Geom, Trig, & Calc	723	6	21.9	5.8	339	7	22.8	6.3	383	6	21.2	5.4
Alg 1, Alg 2, Geom, Trig, & Other Adv Math	1,815	16	20.8	4.7	671	14	21.6	5.1	1,144	18	20.4	4.6
Alg 1, Alg 2, Geom, & Trig	1,662	15	18.6	2.5	675	14	19.2	2.7	986	16	18.2	2.4
Alg 1, Alg 2, Geom, & Other Adv Math	1,788	16	17.7	1.6	649	13	18.2	1.7	1,138	18	17.5	1.7
Other comb of 4 or more years of Math	3,293	29	22.2	6.1	1,659	34	22.8	6.3	1,633	26	21.6	5.8
Alg 1, Alg 2, & Geom	1,054	9	16.7	0.6	460	9	16.8	0.3	593	9	16.6	0.8
Other comb of 3 or 3.5 years of Math	275	2	17.5	1.4	152	3	17.9	1.4	123	2	16.9	1.1
Less than 3 years of Math	469	4	16.1	-	224	5	16.5	-	244	4	15.8	-
Zero years / no Math courses reported	210	2	16.6	-	110	2	17.7	-	94	1	15.5	-
			ACT	Course Value			ACT	Course Value			ACT	Course Value
SOCIAL SCIENCE COURSE PATTERN	N	Percent	Reading	Added ¹	N	Percent	Reading	Added ¹	N	Percent	Reading	Added ¹
US Hist, World Hist, Am Gov, & Other Hist	1,850	16	21.1	1.7	855	17	21.3	1.7	993	16	21.0	1.8
Other comb of 4 or more years Social Science	4,388	39	22.3	2.9	1,825	37	22.2	2.6	2,561	40	22.4	3.2
US Hist, World Hist, & Am Gov	1,704	15	21.3	1.9	807	16	21.5	1.9	897	14	21.1	1.9
Other comb of 3 or 3.5 years of Social Science	2,674	24	21.5	2.1	1,119	23	21.5	1.9	1,554	25	21.4	2.2
Less than 3 years of Social Science	464	4	19.4	=	221	4	19.6	=	242	4	19.2	-
Zero years / no Social Science courses reported	209	2	17.9	-	112	2	19.0	-	91	1	16.7	-
			ACT	Course Value			ACT	Course Value			ACT	Course Value
NATURAL SCIENCE COURSE PATTERN	N	Percent	Science	Added ¹	N	Percent	Science	Added ¹	N	Percent	Science	Added ¹
Gen Sci ² , Bio, Chem, & Phys	3,989	35	22.1	3.5	2,026	41	22.9	4.1	1,961	31	21.3	2.9
Bio, Chem, Phys	62	1	21.9	3.3	33	1	22.3	3.5	29	0	21.4	3.0
Gen Sci ² , Bio, Chem	4,891	43	20.5	1.9	1,773	36	20.9	2.1	3,116	49	20.3	1.9
Other comb of 3 years of Natural Science	405	4	19.3	0.7	218	4	20.0	1.2	187	3	18.6	0.2
Less than 3 years of Natural Science	1,731	15	18.6	-	778	16	18.8	-	951	15	18.4	-
Zero years / no Natural Science courses reported	211	2	17.0	-	111	2	18.2	-	94	1	15.7	-

¹Course value added is defined as the average ACT score change compared to course sequences in which students took

less than four years of English or less than three years of Mathematics, Social Science or Natural Science.

²Includes General, Physical and Earth Sciences.

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Table 3.2. College Readiness Percents by Common Course Patterns

Table 3.2. College Readiness Percents by Common Course Patterns												
Course Pattern			State			i .	National	1				
ENGLISH COURSE PATTERN	N	Percent Taking Pattern	Avg ACT English	Percent Who Met Benchmark	N	Percent Taking Pattern	Avg ACT English	Percent Who Met Benchmark				
Eng 9, Eng 10, Eng 11, Eng 12, & Other English	2,485	22	21.8	76	373,145	19	21.7	72				
Eng 9, Eng 10, Eng 11, Eng 12	8,433	75	20.4	67	1,359,318	71	20.6	65				
Less than 4 years of English	166	1	18.1	49	93,944	5	15.9	36				
Zero years / no English courses reported	205	2	15.8	33	98,029	5	16.5	40				
MATHEMATICS COURSE DATTERN	N	Percent Taking Pattern	Avg ACT Math	Percent Who Met Benchmark	N	Percent Taking Pattern	Avg ACT Math	Percent Who Met Benchmark				
MATHEMATICS COURSE PATTERN												
Alg 1, Alg 2, Geom, Trig, & Calc	723	6	21.9	54	123,105	6	23.5	65				
Alg 1, Alg 2, Geom, Trig, & Other Adv Math	1,815	16	20.8	45	164,036	9	21.7	53				
Alg 1, Alg 2, Geom, & Trig	1,662	15	18.6	21	123,192	6	19.1	28				
Alg 1, Alg 2, Geom, & Other Adv Math	1,788	16	17.7	15	362,476	19	19.4	30				
Other comb of 4 or more years of Math	3,293	29	22.2	56	655,589	34	23.7	64				
Alg 1, Alg 2, & Geom	1,054	9	16.7	7	219,221	11	17.1	11				
Other comb of 3 or 3.5 years of Math	275	2	17.5	13	95,502	5	19.8	34				
Less than 3 years of Math	469	4	16.1	5	78,951	4	16.3	8				
Zero years / no Math courses reported	210	2	16.6	10	102,364	5	17.8	20				
SOCIAL SCIENCE COURSE PATTERN	N	Percent Taking Pattern	Avg ACT Reading	Percent Who Met Benchmark	N	Percent Taking Pattern	Avg ACT Reading	Percent Who Met Benchmark				
US Hist, World Hist, Am Gov, & Other Hist	1,850	16	21.1	45	48,944	3	22.3	51				
Other comb of 4 or more years Social Science	4,388	39	22.3	53	942,441	49	22.3	52				
US Hist, World Hist, & Am Gov	1,704	15	21.3	46	108,348	6	19.7	35				
Other comb of 3 or 3.5 years of Social Science	2,674	24	21.5	48	527,956	27	21.4	46				
Less than 3 years of Social Science	464	4	19.4	32	194,720	10	19.5	34				
Zero years / no Social Science courses reported	209	2	17.9	26	102,027	5	18.1	26				
		Percent Taking	Avg ACT	Percent Who Met		Percent Taking	Avg ACT	Percent Who Met				
NATURAL SCIENCE COURSE PATTERN	N	Pattern	Science	Benchmark	N	Pattern	Science	Benchmark				
Gen Sci ¹ , Bio, Chem, & Phys	3,989	35	22.1	46	807,744	42	22.2	48				
Bio, Chem, Phys	62	1	21.9	48	217,893	11	23.2	55				
Gen Sci ¹ , Bio, Chem	4,891	43	20.5	32	512,754	27	20.1	30				
Other comb of 3 years of Natural Science	405	4	19.3	22	54,439	3	19.1	24				
Less than 3 years of Natural Science	1,731	15	18.6	15	227,926	12	18.1	18				
Zero years / no Natural Science courses reported	211	2	17.0	14	103,680	5	18.0	20				

¹Includes General, Physical and Earth Sciences.

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Section IV Career and Educational Aspirations

Beginning with the Graduating Class of 2013, all students whose scores are college reportable, both standard and extended time tests, are now included. Also beginning with the 2013 Graduating Class data, College Readiness Benchmarks for Reading and Science were updated to reflect the most recent college coursework research.

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Table 4.1. Distribution of Planned Educational Majors for All Students by College Plans

		All Students		Plan on 2	Years or Less	of College	Plan on 4	Years or More	of College
Planned Educational Major	N ¹	Percent ²	Avg ACT Comp	N	Percent ²	Avg ACT Comp	N	Percent ²	Avg ACT Comp
Agriculture & Natural Resources Conservation	210	2	19.1	37	4	17.7	164	2	19.4
Architecture	67	1	20.0	3	0	18.0	60	1	20.3
Area, Ethnic, & Multidisciplinary Studies	9	0	22.9	1	0	15.0	8	0	23.9
Arts: Visual & Performing	504	4	20.8	35	4	18.3	442	4	21.1
Business	791	7	20.1	67	8	16.8	703	7	20.5
Communications	148	1	21.4	8	1	17.3	136	1	21.7
Community, Family, & Personal Services	280	2	18.5	55	6	16.8	218	2	18.9
Computer Science & Mathematics	321	3	21.9	28	3	18.5	286	3	22.2
Education	875	8	20.1	26	3	15.6	831	8	20.3
Engineering	808	7	23.1	44	5	17.7	740	7	23.5
Engineering Technology & Drafting	142	1	20.7	29	3	17.5	106	1	21.7
English & Foreign Languages	110	1	23.9	2	0	22.0	105	1	23.9
Health Administration & Assisting	497	4	18.4	79	9	16.7	401	4	18.8
Health Sciences & Technologies	3,024	27	20.9	204	24	17.4	2,756	28	21.2
Philosophy, Religion, & Theology	34	0	21.3	1	0	23.0	30	0	20.9
Repair, Production, & Construction	123	1	17.6	77	9	17.6	39	0	17.8
Sciences: Biological & Physical	611	5	23.2	8	1	17.9	586	6	23.3
Social Sciences & Law	888	8	20.9	35	4	16.3	826	8	21.1
Undecided	1,683	15	20.7	100	12	16.7	1,467	15	21.0
No Response	161	1	16.3	14	2	15.6	28	0	16.9

¹²⁻Year and 4-Year "N" counts do not reflect "Missing" and "Other" college plans, therefore they may not add up to the N count for All Students.

²Percent of students tested within College Plan groups (All Students, 2-Year, 4-Year).

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Table 4.2. Average ACT Composite Scores for Racial/Ethnic Groups by Post-Secondary Educational Aspirations

Educational Degree	All Racial/Ethnic Groups Combined		Black/Africa	an American	American India	n/ Alaska Native	WI	nite	Hispanic/Latino		
Aspirations	N	Average	N	Average	N	Average	N	Average	N	Average	
Voc-Tech	181	17.1	8	13.8	0		151	17.2	9	16.8	
2-yr College Degree	674	17.2	19	16.2	4	15.5	620	17.3	6	16.5	
Bachelors Degree	6,049	19.9	220	17.1	14	18.8	5,327	20.1	111	18.8	
Graduate Study	1,420	23.0	30	18.3	2	16.5	1,262	23.1	20	23.6	
Prof. Level Degree	2,463	23.2	82	19.9	4	21.3	2,114	23.3	53	21.9	
Other	142	17.3	10	14.9	0		115	17.4	1	15.0	
No Response	360	19.7	13	17.9	1	22.0	246	20.3	5	19.6	

Educational Degree	All Racial/Ethnic Groups Combined		Asian		Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander		Two or more races		Prefer not to respond/ No Response	
Aspirations	N	Average	N	Average	N	Average	rage N Av		N	Average
Voc-Tech	181	17.1	0		1	16.0	5	20.0	7	17.0
2-yr College Degree	674	17.2	0		1	17.0	13	15.8	11	14.4
Bachelors Degree	6,049	19.9	34	21.4	5	18.4	241	19.5	97	20.0
Graduate Study	1,420	23.0	13	26.7	1	28.0	53	22.9	39	23.3
Prof. Level Degree	2,463	23.2	49	26.1	5	20.8	91	22.4	65	25.0
Other	142	17.3	0		0		7	19.6	9	17.2
No Response	360	19.7	3	22.3	0		11	20.5	81	18.0

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Table 4.3. Students' Score Report Preferences at Time of Testing

Table 4.3. Students' Score Report Preferences at Time of Testing											
						Percent of Students in					
			Number of Students			College Readiness Standards Ranges					
				2nd-6th							
Name	State	Total	1st Choice	Choice	01-12	13-15	16-19		24-27	28-32	33-36
WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY	West Virginia	3,988	2,008	1,980	1	6	25	33	24	10	1
MARSHALL UNIVERSITY	West Virginia	3,049	1,489	1,560	1	8	28	34	22	7	0
FAIRMONT STATE UNIVERSITY	West Virginia	1,496	575	921	1	10	37	33	16	3	0
CONCORD UNIVERSITY	West Virginia	808	258	550	1	12	34	32	17	4	0
WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY	West Virginia	644	158	486	1	13	36	33	13	3	0
SHEPHERD UNIVERSITY	West Virginia	618	268	350	1	8	32	36	17	6	1
WEST VIRGINIA WESLEYAN COLLEGE	West Virginia	601	131	470	0	7	24	34	27	8	1
WEST LIBERTY UNIVERSITY	West Virginia	579	221	358	1	8	32	33	19	7	0
UNIVERSITY OF CHARLESTON THE	West Virginia	542	121	421	1	10	30	33	21	5	0
GLENVILLE STATE COLLEGE	West Virginia	489	153	336	2	16	43	27	10	1	0
ALDERSON BROADDUS COLLEGE	West Virginia	420	99	321	0	9	33	35	18	5	0
BLUEFIELD STATE COLLEGE	West Virginia	361	140	221	2	17	37	31	11	2	0
WEST VIRGINIA UNIV INST OF TECHNOLOGY	West Virginia	350	116	234	1	12	29	30	19	8	0
POTOMAC STATE COLLEGE OF WVU	West Virginia	336	163	173	2	15	34	31	15	2	1
DAVIS & ELKINS COLLEGE	West Virginia	275	90	185	0	14	35	29	18	4	1
NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER	Indiana	268	112	156	1	7	30	33	21	7	1
WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY AT PARKERSBURG	West Virginia	265	136	129	2	14	40	30	11	3	0
OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY THE	Ohio	229	45	184	0	3	17	27	33	17	3
UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY	Kentucky	214	38	176	0	4	18	29	31	15	2
PIERPONT COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE	West Virginia	206	88	118	2	22	43	24	6	1	0
NEW RIVER COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLL	West Virginia	179	64	115	3	28	44	17	8	0	0
VIRGINIA TECH	Virginia	162	34	128	0	6	13	27	30	22	3
OHIO UNIVERSITY	Ohio	154	28	126	0	5	23	37	28	6	1
SOUTHERN WEST VIRGINIA C TECH C-LOGAN	West Virginia	153	74	79	1	19	47	25	7	1	0
WHEELING JESUIT UNIVERSITY	West Virginia	138	29	109	1	9	25	28	27	9	0
BLUE RIDGE COMM AND TECH COLL	West Virginia	136	47	89	2	17	43	31	6	1	0
BRIDGEVALLEY COMM & TECH COLL	West Virginia	131	65	66	2	22	43	29	5	0	0
MOUNTWEST COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE	West Virginia	121	44	77	1	25	46	22	6	0	0
WEST VIRGINIA NORTHERN COMMUNITY COLL	West Virginia	115	51	64	3	18	43	25	10	0	0
WEST VIRGINIA HIGHER EDUC GRANT PROGRAM	West Virginia	92	13	79	0	9	24	32	26	10	0
All Other Institutions		4,893	1,211	3,682	1	9	23	26	23	15	2
Total		22,012	8,069	13,943	1	9	29	31	21	9	1

Section V Optional Writing Test Results

Beginning with the Graduating Class of 2013, all students whose scores are college reportable, both standard and extended time tests, are now included. Also beginning with the 2013 Graduating Class data, College Readiness Benchmarks for Reading and Science were updated to reflect the most recent college coursework research.

Table 5.1. Average ACT English and Writing Scores by Race/Ethnicity and Gender for students who took ACT Writing

			Average ACT Scores							
	N		English		Es	say	English/Writing Combined			
	State	National	State	National	State	National	State	National		
All Students	2,267	1,108,908	22.5	21.0	6.7	6.9	21.2	20.2		
Black/African American	95	136,380	17.5	16.3	6.1	6.0	16.9	15.9		
American Indian/Alaska Native	10	7,142	17.8	16.5	5.6	5.9	16.6	16.0		
White	1,875	567,060	22.7	22.8	6.8	7.1	21.3	21.8		
Hispanic/Latino	54	196,970	20.8	18.4	6.9	6.7	20.1	18.1		
Asian	47	68,736	27.3	23.9	7.9	7.6	25.7	23.0		
Native Hawaiian/Other Pac. Isl.	2	4,070	23.0	18.0	9.0	6.5	24.0	17.6		
Two or more races	95	45,517	22.3	21.3	6.7	6.9	21.0	20.4		
Prefer not/No Response	89	83,033	23.9	20.8	6.6	6.7	22.0	19.9		
Males	1,008	507,737	22.4	20.7	6.5	6.6	20.9	19.7		
Females	1,259	590,537	22.6	21.4	6.9	7.1	21.4	20.8		
Missing	0	10,634		16.0		5.6		15.4		