

K-12 ACHIEVEMENT

GRADE	ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL						ACHIEVEMENT GAINS				POVERTY GAP				
	NAEP Mathematics 2015 Percent Proficient		NAEP Reading 2015 Percent Proficient		NAEP Math Scale-Score Change 2003 to 2015		NAEP Reading Scale-Score Change 2003 to 2015		National School Lunch Program Noneligible Minus Eligible 2015		Poverty-Gap Change 2003 to 2015 (negative value = narrowing gap)				
	4th Grade	8th Grade	4th Grade	8th Grade	4th Grade	8th Grade	4th Grade	8th Grade	Reading 4th Grade NAEP Scale- Score Difference	Math 8th Grade NAEP Scale- Score Difference	4th Grade	8th Grade			
MASSACHUSETTS	B	85.2	53.9%	50.8%	49.7%	45.7%	+8.9	+10.4	+7.7	+1.6	27.1	32.2	+0.6	-1.6	MASSACHUSETTS
NEW JERSEY	B-	81.0	46.9	46.2	42.8	40.6	+6.6	+12.0	+4.4	+3.1	27.3	34.6	-3.2	+0.1	NEW JERSEY
NEW HAMPSHIRE	C+	79.4	51.4	46.3	45.9	45.0	+6.0	+8.2	+4.2	+4.1	22.1	25.1	-4.4	+3.7	NEW HAMPSHIRE
VERMONT	C+	78.8	43.2	42.1	44.7	43.8	+1.3	+4.7	+4.0	+3.4	22.0	20.9	+4.4	-2.2	VERMONT
MARYLAND	C+	76.8	40.2	34.7	36.5	37.4	+6.4	+5.4	+4.3	+6.3	29.8	31.5	-1.7	+1.5	MARYLAND
MINNESOTA	C	75.9	53.4	47.8	39.0	39.7	+7.7	+3.5	+0.7	+2.5	31.2	29.8	+3.9	+4.0	MINNESOTA
VIRGINIA	C	75.8	47.3	37.6	42.9	35.9	+7.4	+6.0	+5.6	-1.2	31.6	29.4	+4.5	+2.0	VIRGINIA
INDIANA	C	75.3	49.7	38.7	39.9	37.1	+9.7	+6.0	+6.9	+3.4	20.5	24.0	-2.8	+2.2	INDIANA
WISCONSIN	C	74.6	45.4	40.8	36.9	39.0	+6.6	+5.2	+2.5	+3.1	28.8	30.8	+6.6	-2.5	WISCONSIN
PENNSYLVANIA	C	74.6	45.0	36.0	41.2	39.1	+7.4	+5.1	+8.0	+4.5	28.5	31.8	-4.6	+0.8	PENNSYLVANIA
FLORIDA	C	73.9	42.0	26.1	38.5	30.3	+8.9	+4.0	+9.2	+6.1	18.6	26.3	-7.7	-2.0	FLORIDA
CONNECTICUT	C	73.3	40.9	36.1	43.5	43.3	-0.5	+0.2	+0.6	+5.8	31.1	35.0	-1.7	+3.1	CONNECTICUT
WASHINGTON	C	73.2	46.9	39.3	40.4	37.4	+6.7	+5.4	+4.8	+2.8	31.4	28.8	+9.7	+6.2	WASHINGTON
UTAH	C	73.2	43.8	37.9	40.1	38.0	+7.8	+5.5	+6.9	+5.1	21.0	23.2	+1.0	+3.3	UTAH
MAINE	C-	72.4	41.1	35.4	35.6	35.6	+4.6	+3.0	-0.1	+0.1	20.4	22.0	+3.5	+2.5	MAINE
KENTUCKY	C-	72.3	40.5	27.7	40.4	36.1	+13.0	+3.7	+9.0	+1.6	22.3	23.2	+2.5	+0.7	KENTUCKY
TENNESSEE	C-	72.0	40.2	29.2	33.2	32.8	+12.9	+10.0	+6.7	+6.7	27.8	26.4	+3.5	-2.1	TENNESSEE
COLORADO	C-	71.8	42.7	36.9	38.6	38.2	+6.4	+2.1	+0.4	+0.5	29.7	31.3	+5.1	+1.2	COLORADO
NEBRASKA	C-	71.6	45.6	37.7	39.9	37.8	+7.6	+4.3	+6.0	+3.1	26.6	27.2	+4.6	+2.2	NEBRASKA
ILLINOIS	C-	71.2	36.6	32.2	35.5	35.1	+4.5	+4.8	+5.7	+0.4	30.8	26.5	-4.0	-7.6	ILLINOIS
WYOMING	C-	71.2	48.3	35.3	41.2	36.0	+5.7	+3.2	+6.1	+1.8	17.7	20.4	+1.1	+3.1	WYOMING
GEORGIA	C-	71.2	34.6	28.4	33.6	30.2	+6.2	+9.0	+8.4	+4.6	24.9	32.1	-2.4	+0.3	GEORGIA
RHODE ISLAND	C-	71.0	37.5	32.0	40.1	34.8	+7.7	+9.4	+9.0	+4.2	27.1	27.4	-1.5	-3.1	RHODE ISLAND
TEXAS	C-	70.9	44.0	32.3	30.6	28.0	+6.7	+6.7	+3.1	+1.9	26.3	22.4	+4.8	-1.4	TEXAS
OHIO	C-	70.7	44.6	35.4	37.8	35.5	+5.8	+3.5	+3.1	-0.7	25.9	28.9	+1.8	+3.6	OHIO
ARIZONA	C-	70.7	37.8	34.8	29.6	31.1	+8.7	+11.7	+6.4	+7.4	32.8	23.4	+1.3	-1.1	ARIZONA
NEW YORK	C-	70.6	34.9	30.9	35.7	32.8	+0.9	+0.3	+0.5	-2.1	27.0	21.2	-3.0	-9.7	NEW YORK
MONTANA	C-	70.5	40.9	38.9	37.3	36.9	+5.5	+1.5	+2.0	+0.1	22.5	20.0	-1.4	+1.3	MONTANA
IOWA	C-	70.3	44.3	37.3	37.7	35.6	+4.9	+2.5	+0.4	+0.7	24.4	25.9	+2.8	+2.0	IOWA
CALIFORNIA	D+	69.3	29.2	27.1	27.8	28.4	+4.1	+8.3	+7.0	+8.0	32.4	29.1	+1.5	-0.7	CALIFORNIA
IDAHO	D+	69.2	38.2	34.0	36.1	37.2	+3.9	+3.8	+3.4	+4.1	22.7	21.3	+4.0	+1.4	IDAHO
HAWAII	D+	69.0	38.3	30.0	29.1	25.7	+11.1	+13.6	+6.9	+6.1	27.5	20.5	+6.0	-0.4	HAWAII
NORTH CAROLINA	D+	69.0	44.4	32.6	38.5	30.4	+1.7	+0.1	+4.6	-1.1	26.7	31.1	-0.6	+3.1	NORTH CAROLINA
NORTH DAKOTA	D+	68.1	44.8	39.2	36.8	33.7	+7.1	+1.1	+3.0	-2.8	19.5	24.5	+2.6	+7.1	NORTH DAKOTA
DELAWARE	D+	67.9	36.8	29.5	37.1	31.1	+2.8	+2.7	-0.2	-1.9	22.1	22.3	+2.4	-1.6	DELAWARE
MISSOURI	D+	67.6	38.4	31.4	36.3	36.3	+4.1	+2.1	+0.5	-0.5	24.2	26.7	+0.1	+3.8	MISSOURI
OREGON	D	66.4	37.1	33.7	33.9	35.7	+1.4	+1.9	+2.6	+3.6	26.6	25.9	+8.1	+6.1	OREGON
NEVADA	D	66.2	31.9	26.1	29.0	27.4	+6.3	+7.1	+7.5	+7.1	22.3	21.6	-3.2	+1.5	NEVADA
OKLAHOMA	D	66.1	36.7	22.9	32.6	29.4	+10.7	+2.7	+8.3	+1.0	19.8	21.3	-3.6	-0.5	OKLAHOMA
KANSAS	D	66.0	41.3	33.2	35.2	34.8	-0.7	-0.3	+0.9	+0.8	30.3	23.1	+6.8	+2.6	KANSAS
ARKANSAS	D	66.0	32.0	24.9	31.5	26.8	+6.2	+9.3	+4.5	+0.8	22.4	23.4	-0.2	+3.4	ARKANSAS
ALASKA	D	65.6	35.1	31.8	29.9	31.4	+3.3	+1.5	+1.2	+3.9	31.8	27.4	-0.4	+2.2	ALASKA
MICHIGAN	D	65.6	34.0	28.5	28.6	31.8	0.0	+1.7	-2.5	+0.1	23.8	27.1	-4.9	-0.4	MICHIGAN
SOUTH DAKOTA	D	65.2	39.8	33.7	34.6	34.4	+2.5	-0.2	-1.8	-2.9	26.9	22.0	+6.7	+2.5	SOUTH DAKOTA
ALABAMA	D	64.6	26.1	17.2	28.7	25.6	+7.6	+4.6	+10.0	+5.6	23.5	27.3	-8.1	-2.0	ALABAMA
SOUTH CAROLINA	D	64.4	36.0	25.7	33.5	27.8	+1.3	-1.5	+3.2	+2.2	30.9	27.2	+5.0	+1.2	SOUTH CAROLINA
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	D	63.1	30.7	19.1	27.3	18.6	+26.4	+20.0	+23.9	+9.0	47.8	39.3	+24.2	+20.9	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
WEST VIRGINIA	D	62.8	32.6	20.5	30.0	27.2	+4.4	+0.7	-2.9	+0.6	19.5	17.9	+3.9	-0.7	WEST VIRGINIA
LOUISIANA	D	62.8	29.6	17.9	28.5	23.3	+8.0	+2.1	+11.5	+2.0	21.5	23.5	-7.8	-0.6	LOUISIANA
NEW MEXICO	D-	61.8	26.9	20.6	22.9	20.1	+8.6	+7.6	+4.1	+1.6	24.4	22.3	-1.8	-0.4	NEW MEXICO
MISSISSIPPI	D-	60.0	29.6	21.8	26.0	20.0	+11.4	+9.7	+8.6	-3.0	26.1	29.1	-2.8	+4.9	MISSISSIPPI
U.S. ¹	C-	71.0	39.4%	32.1%	34.8%	32.7%	+5.9	+5.2	+4.9	+2.7	27.5	27.8	-0.4	-0.6	U.S. ¹

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	ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE		HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION		ADVANCED PLACEMENT	
	NAEP Math 2015 Percent Advanced	NAEP Math Percent Advanced Change 2003 to 2015	Graduation Rates (All Students, Public Schools)		High Test Scores (3 or Above) Per 100 Students in Grades 11 and 12 (Public Schools)	
	8th Grade	8th Grade	2012	Change 2002 to 2012	2014	Change 2000 to 2014
MASSACHUSETTS	18.2%	+9.8%	86.0%	+8.4%	39.7	+27.0
NEW JERSEY	16.3	+9.9	87.0	+1.2	37.9	+25.6
NEW HAMPSHIRE	12.4	+5.9	87.0	+9.2	20.7	+14.3
VERMONT	11.4	+4.6	93.0	+11.0	33.0	+24.0
MARYLAND	9.9	+3.1	84.0	+4.3	55.8	+41.5
MINNESOTA	13.3	+4.5	88.0	+4.1	29.1	+21.9
VIRGINIA	10.2	+4.3	84.0	+7.3	47.4	+31.9
INDIANA	9.2	+3.9	80.0	+6.9	20.8	+16.3
WISCONSIN	10.8	+4.4	92.0	+7.2	30.4	+21.4
PENNSYLVANIA	9.5	+4.4	88.0	+7.8	24.4	+16.7
FLORIDA	5.1	+1.0	75.0	+11.6	38.4	+28.2
CONNECTICUT	9.7	+1.4	86.0	+6.3	40.0	+28.0
WASHINGTON	11.3	+5.3	79.0	+6.8	26.8	+20.8
UTAH	8.2	+2.6	78.0	-2.5	26.9	+10.2
MAINE	7.9	+2.9	87.0	+11.4	32.0	+24.0
KENTUCKY	5.5	+1.8	82.0	+12.2	26.5	+21.8
TENNESSEE	6.4	+3.5	83.0	+23.4	15.4	+10.6
COLORADO	10.3	+2.8	82.0	+7.3	33.7	+24.5
NEBRASKA	8.0	+2.9	93.0	+9.1	12.0	+9.4
ILLINOIS	7.2	+1.3	82.0	+4.9	34.8	+24.0
WYOMING	7.2	+2.8	80.0	+5.6	10.4	+7.0
GEORGIA	7.4	+3.3	70.0	+8.9	34.5	+27.4
RHODE ISLAND	6.4	+3.3	76.0	+0.3	20.1	+15.0
TEXAS	7.2	+3.1	82.0	+8.5	30.4	+21.4
OHIO	8.7	+3.7	84.0	+6.5	24.8	+18.3
ARIZONA	7.9	+5.2	77.0	+2.3	15.3	+11.2
NEW YORK	7.3	+1.4	78.0	+17.5	37.8	+20.3
MONTANA	7.8	+2.2	86.0	+6.2	15.5	+8.8
IOWA	9.3	+3.8	89.0	+4.9	15.2	+10.5
CALIFORNIA	6.4	+2.0	82.0	+9.3	35.3	+23.0
IDAHO	6.1	+1.8	84.0	+4.7	14.6	+9.6
HAWAII	5.9	+3.5	78.0	+5.9	13.5	+8.5
NORTH CAROLINA	8.9	+1.7	79.0	+10.8	29.1	+19.5
NORTH DAKOTA	7.4	+2.5	91.0	+6.0	8.5	+3.8
DELAWARE	7.1	+2.7	77.0	+7.5	22.9	+16.5
MISSOURI	6.9	+2.7	86.0	+9.2	14.2	+11.0
OREGON	7.1	+0.5	78.0	+7.0	17.1	+12.4
NEVADA	5.5	+2.7	60.0	-11.9	19.8	+14.0
OKLAHOMA	2.7	+0.7	79.0	+3.0	14.7	+8.6
KANSAS	6.4	-0.1	89.0	+11.9	13.4	+9.1
ARKANSAS	3.8	+1.6	78.0	+3.2	21.5	+17.2
ALASKA	6.8	+1.1	79.0	+13.1	15.6	+7.3
MICHIGAN	6.6	+1.8	77.0	+4.1	23.2	+16.2
SOUTH DAKOTA	6.0	+1.2	83.0	+4.0	17.0	+10.9
ALABAMA	2.9	+1.0	75.0	+12.9	12.7	+9.1
SOUTH CAROLINA	5.3	+0.4	72.0	+14.1	24.6	+15.8
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	4.3	+3.1	71.0	+2.6	22.3	+15.7
WEST VIRGINIA	3.0	+1.2	80.0	+5.8	13.0	+8.1
LOUISIANA	2.6	+0.9	72.0	+7.6	7.5	+5.6
NEW MEXICO	3.1	+1.4	74.0	+6.6	11.4	+6.3
MISSISSIPPI	3.3	+2.3	68.0	+6.8	4.0	+2.1
U.S.¹	7.8%	+2.8%	81.0%	+8.4%	29.3	+20.2

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