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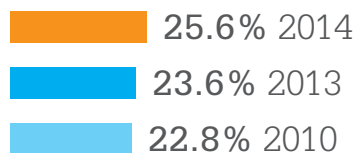
Increasing the number of students who graduate from high school ready for college and career is a unifying priority for educators from every state. The College Board believes that its programs can be a platform to expand access to opportunities — through scholarships, challenging course work, fee waivers, and much more — and to propel students into college and career. Our programs — PSAT/NMSQT®, SAT®, and AP® — work together to provide actionable results, drive instructional next steps for individual students, and provide targeted policies for states and districts. Below is a summary of the 2014-15 PSAT/NMSQT, SAT, and AP participation and performance results in Illinois.¹

ALL SCHOOLS' PARTICIPATION RESULTS

PSAT/NMSQT®

In 2014, 62,098 students benefited from taking the PSAT/NMSQT, compared to 58,648 in 2013 and 60,457 in 2010.

→ **25.6%** were underrepresented minority students, compared to 23.6% in 2013 and 22.8% in 2010.



→ Last October, **11.8%** of 10th-graders and **24.9%** of 11th-graders took the PSAT/NMSQT.²

1. PSAT/NMSQT data reflect the October 2010, 2013, and 2014 administrations. SAT data reflect the graduating classes of 2011, 2014, and 2015. AP data reflect the May 2011, 2014, and 2015 administrations.

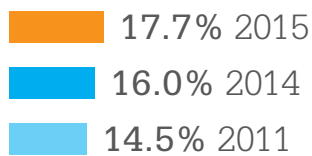
2. Participation rates are based on WICHE grade-level enrollment projections (<http://www.wiche.edu/knocking-8th>).

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SAT[®]

In Illinois, 5,728 or 4.0% of students from the class of 2015 took the SAT, compared to 6,468 students (4.6%) in last year's graduating class and 7,819 (5.2%) in the class of 2011.³

→ **17.7%** were underrepresented minority students, compared to 16.0% in 2014 and 14.5% in 2011.

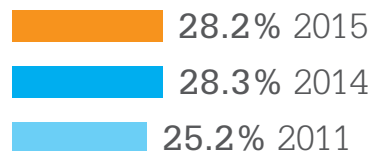


→ **5.8%** took the test using a fee waiver, compared to 4.8% in 2014 and 3.8% of the class of 2011.

AP[®]

In Illinois, 105,205 students took an AP Exam in 2015, compared to 99,171 in 2014 and 78,654 in 2011.

→ **28.2%** were underrepresented minority students, compared to 28.3% in 2014 and 25.2% in 2011.



→ **25.0%** were low-income students, compared to 24.0% in 2014 and 21.7% in 2011.

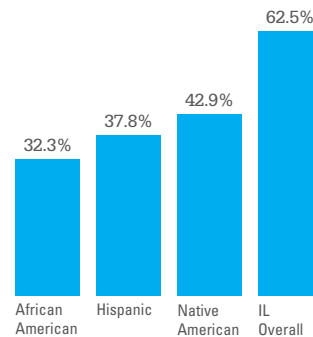
In Illinois, students took 193,929 AP Exams in 2015, compared to 179,579 in 2014 and 138,091 in 2011.

ALL SCHOOLS' PERFORMANCE RESULTS

PSAT/NMSQT®

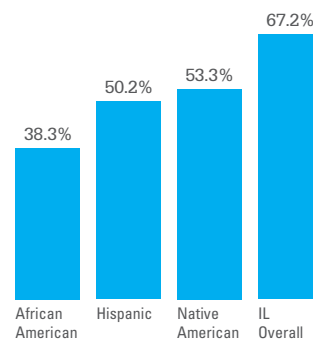
In Illinois, 12,863 (62.5%) 10th-grade PSAT/NMSQT® takers in 2014 were on track for college readiness.

- **32.3%** of 10th-grade African American PSAT/NMSQT takers met the benchmark.
- **37.8%** of 10th-grade Hispanic PSAT/NMSQT takers met the benchmark.
- **42.9%** of 10th-grade Native American PSAT/NMSQT takers met the benchmark.



In Illinois, 26,166 (67.2%) 11th-grade PSAT/NMSQT® takers in 2014 were on track for college readiness.

- **38.3%** of 11th-grade African American PSAT/NMSQT takers met the benchmark.
- **50.2%** of 11th-grade Hispanic PSAT/NMSQT takers met the benchmark.
- **53.3%** of 11th-grade Native American PSAT/NMSQT takers met the benchmark.



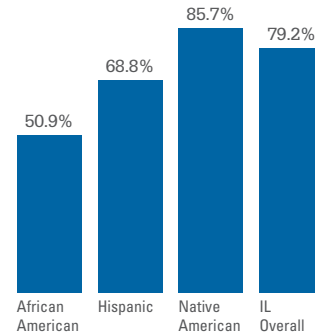
In Illinois, 10,322 10th-grade PSAT/NMSQT takers in 2014 demonstrated potential to succeed in at least one AP course, including 5,988 in an AP STEM subject.

In Illinois, 1,533 underrepresented minority 10th-grade PSAT/NMSQT takers showed potential for AP success, including 609 in an AP STEM subject.

SAT

In Illinois, 4,538 (79.2%) SAT takers in the class of 2015 met the SAT College and Career Readiness Benchmark.

- **50.9%** of African American SAT takers met the benchmark.
- **68.8%** of Hispanic SAT takers met the benchmark.
- **85.7%** of Native American SAT takers met the benchmark.



AP

In Illinois, 69,111 students scored 3 or higher on an AP[®] Exam in 2015, compared to 65,096 in 2014 and 51,964 in 2011.

- **65.7%** of AP Exam takers scored 3 or higher on at least one AP Exam in May 2015.
- **30.3%** of African American AP Exam takers scored 3 or higher on at least one AP Exam.
- **51.7%** of Hispanic AP Exam takers scored 3 or higher on at least one AP Exam.
- **56.3%** of Native American AP Exam takers scored 3 or higher on at least one AP Exam.

