

## **Massachusetts**

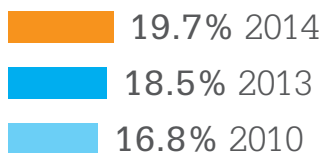
Increasing the number of students who graduate from high school ready for college and career is a unifying priority for educators from every state. The College Board believes that its programs can be a platform to expand access to opportunities — through scholarships, challenging course work, fee waivers, 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 Massachusetts.<sup>1</sup>

### **ALL SCHOOLS' PARTICIPATION RESULTS**

#### **PSAT/NMSQT®**

In 2014, 105,027 students benefited from taking the PSAT/NMSQT, compared to 101,891 in 2013 and 92,716 in 2010.

→ **19.7%** were underrepresented minority students, compared to 18.5% in 2013 and 16.8% in 2010.



→ Last October, **54.7%** of 10th-graders and **71.5%** of 11th-graders took the PSAT/NMSQT.<sup>2</sup>

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.

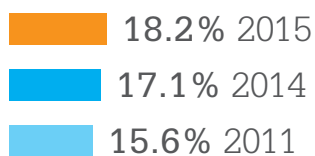
2. Participation rates are based on WICHE grade-level enrollment projections (<http://www.wiche.edu/knocking-8th>).

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## SAT<sup>®</sup>

In Massachusetts, 61,277 or 86.2% of students from the class of 2015 took the SAT, compared to 60,451 students (84.1%) in last year's graduating class and 61,813 (82.7%) in the class of 2011.<sup>3</sup>

→ **18.2%** were underrepresented minority students, compared to 17.1% in 2014 and 15.6% in 2011.

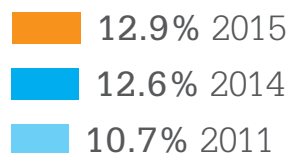


→ **22.0%** took the test using a fee waiver, compared to 20.2% in 2014 and 18.7% of the class of 2011.

## AP<sup>®</sup>

In Massachusetts, 59,105 students took an AP Exam in 2015, compared to 55,656 in 2014 and 44,912 in 2011.

→ **12.9%** were underrepresented minority students, compared to 12.6% in 2014 and 10.7% in 2011.



→ **17.0%** were low-income students, compared to 14.5% in 2014 and 12.5% in 2011.

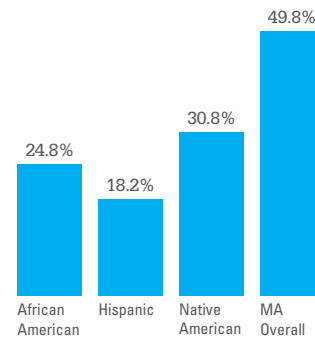
In Massachusetts, students took 107,925 AP Exams in 2015, compared to 100,493 in 2014 and 79,130 in 2011.

## ALL SCHOOLS' PERFORMANCE RESULTS

### PSAT/NMSQT®

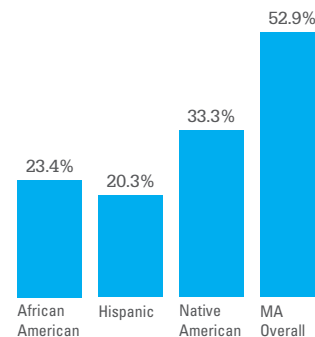
In Massachusetts, 21,968 (49.8%) 10th-grade PSAT/NMSQT® takers in 2014 were on track for college readiness.

- **24.8%** of 10th-grade African American PSAT/NMSQT takers met the benchmark.
- **18.2%** of 10th-grade Hispanic PSAT/NMSQT takers met the benchmark.
- **30.8%** of 10th-grade Native American PSAT/NMSQT takers met the benchmark.



In Massachusetts, 29,821 (52.9%) 11th-grade PSAT/NMSQT® takers in 2014 were on track for college readiness.

- **23.4%** of 11th-grade African American PSAT/NMSQT takers met the benchmark.
- **20.3%** of 11th-grade Hispanic PSAT/NMSQT takers met the benchmark.
- **33.3%** of 11th-grade Native American PSAT/NMSQT takers met the benchmark.



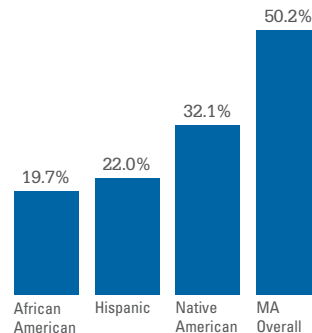
In Massachusetts, 16,467 10th-grade PSAT/NMSQT takers in 2014 demonstrated potential to succeed in at least one AP course, including 8,566 in an AP STEM subject.

In Massachusetts, 1,172 underrepresented minority 10th-grade PSAT/NMSQT takers showed potential for AP success, including 459 in an AP STEM subject.

# SAT

In Massachusetts, 30,738 (50.2%) SAT takers in the class of 2015 met the SAT College and Career Readiness Benchmark.

- **19.7%** of African American SAT takers met the benchmark.
- **22.0%** of Hispanic SAT takers met the benchmark.
- **32.1%** of Native American SAT takers met the benchmark.



# AP

In Massachusetts, 41,796 students scored 3 or higher on an AP<sup>®</sup> Exam in 2015, compared to 40,071 in 2014 and 32,580 in 2011.

- **70.7%** of AP Exam takers scored 3 or higher on at least one AP Exam in May 2015.
- **42.2%** of African American AP Exam takers scored 3 or higher on at least one AP Exam.
- **52.5%** of Hispanic AP Exam takers scored 3 or higher on at least one AP Exam.
- **55.8%** of Native American AP Exam takers scored 3 or higher on at least one AP Exam.

