

PSAT/NMSQT®

2014-2015 COLLEGE-BOUND HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORES SUMMARY REPORT

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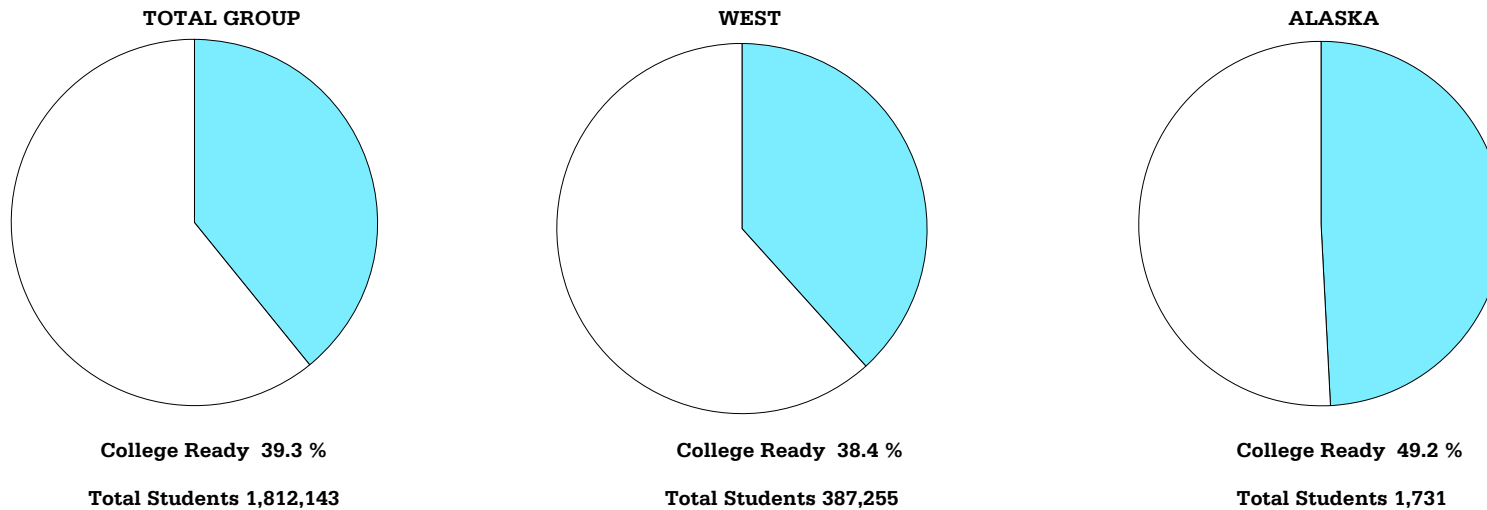


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FIGURE 1: ON TRACK TO BE COLLEGE AND CAREER READY

The PSAT/NMSQT College Readiness Benchmark represents the score that a student should meet or exceed to be considered on track to be college ready (for more information about benchmarks, check out www.collegeboard.org/results). The pie charts below show the percentage of students in the nation, your region, and your state who have met the PSAT/NMSQT composite score benchmark (142 for juniors and 133 for sophomores).

Use this information in combination with the optional Student Data File CD to identify students who may need extra support or who may be ready for more rigorous course work. In addition, PSAT/NMSQT Summary of Answers and Skills (SOAS) reports can help you target skills to improve with aggregate skills feedback.



See last page of this report for the list of states included in your region.

TABLE 1: NUMBER OF SOPHOMORES TAKING THE PSAT/NMSQT®

	TOTAL GROUP		WEST		ALASKA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Male	880,810	48.9	186,711	48.5	804	46.8
Female	922,187	51.1	198,625	51.5	915	53.2
No Response	9,146		1,919		12	
TOTAL	1,812,143		387,255		1,731	

TABLE 2: ETHNIC BACKGROUND

	TOTAL GROUP		WEST		ALASKA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
American Indian or Alaska Native	15,790	0.9	4,123	1.2	185	11.8
Asian, Asian American, or Pacific Islander	138,953	8.2	51,713	14.6	202	12.9
Black or African American	253,986	15.0	20,162	5.7	79	5.0
Hispanic, Latino, or Latin American	405,117	23.9	129,150	36.4	81	5.2
White	812,556	48.0	134,043	37.8	968	61.9
Other	66,728	3.9	15,457	4.4	50	3.2
No Response	119,013		32,607		166	

TABLE 3: PARTICIPATING IN STUDENT SEARCH SERVICE®

	TOTAL GROUP		WEST		ALASKA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	1,500,432	82.8	312,971	80.8	1,396	80.6
No	311,711	17.2	74,284	19.2	335	19.4

TABLE 4: SELF-REPORTED GRADE AVERAGE

	TOTAL GROUP		WEST		ALASKA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
A+ (97-100)	65,579	4.0	11,693	3.4	93	5.8
A (93-96)	322,403	19.9	68,753	20.2	383	24.0
A- (90-92)	303,457	18.7	61,484	18.1	308	19.3
B+ (87-89)	280,346	17.3	51,250	15.1	240	15.0
B (83-86)	271,296	16.7	56,983	16.8	234	14.6
B- (80-82)	147,307	9.1	29,130	8.6	106	6.6
C+ (77-79)	112,011	6.9	26,112	7.7	114	7.1
C (73-76)	72,748	4.5	20,439	6.0	72	4.5
C- (70-72)	27,431	1.7	7,175	2.1	32	2.0
D+ (67-69)	9,944	0.6	2,933	0.9	8	0.5
D (65-66)	7,054	0.4	2,464	0.7	8	0.5
E or F (Below 65)	3,687	0.2	1,405	0.4	1	0.1
No Response	188,880		47,434		132	

TABLE 5: YEAR COMPLETING HIGH SCHOOL AND ENTERING COLLEGE

	TOTAL GROUP		WEST		ALASKA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2015	2,940	0.2	660	0.2	0	0.0
2016	36,486	2.1	4,638	1.3	20	1.2
2017	1,628,214	94.0	341,153	94.0	1,586	92.4
After 2017	48,794	2.8	13,217	3.6	83	4.8
Not Planning College	15,809	0.9	3,399	0.9	27	1.6
No Response	79,900		24,188		15	

TABLE 6: PSAT/NMSQT® SCORES - CRITICAL READING

	TOTAL GROUP		WEST		ALASKA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	3,071	0.2	789	0.2	10	0.6
70-74	14,263	0.8	3,394	0.9	30	1.7
65-69	22,611	1.2	5,071	1.3	37	2.1
60-64	75,582	4.2	15,805	4.1	108	6.2
55-59	104,347	5.8	21,794	5.6	121	7.0
50-54	222,376	12.3	45,391	11.7	245	14.2
45-49	245,015	13.5	50,600	13.1	278	16.1
40-44	347,511	19.2	72,863	18.8	308	17.8
35-39	321,251	17.7	70,247	18.1	242	14.0
30-34	236,884	13.1	52,816	13.6	179	10.3
25-29	143,005	7.9	31,923	8.2	124	7.2
20-24	76,227	4.2	16,562	4.3	49	2.8
TOTAL	1,812,143		387,255		1,731	
Mean Score	42.1		41.9		44.5	
STD. DEV.	10.6		10.7		11.4	

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MATHEMATICS

	TOTAL GROUP		WEST		ALASKA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	8,247	0.5	2,079	0.5	6	0.3
70-74	15,111	0.8	3,734	1.0	13	0.8
65-69	49,192	2.7	10,843	2.8	44	2.5
60-64	71,822	4.0	15,700	4.1	87	5.0
55-59	141,770	7.8	29,239	7.6	164	9.5
50-54	214,315	11.8	44,549	11.5	267	15.4
45-49	323,711	17.9	66,438	17.2	375	21.7
40-44	271,903	15.0	55,766	14.4	225	13.0
35-39	341,545	18.8	72,691	18.8	288	16.6
30-34	191,547	10.6	42,808	11.1	145	8.4
25-29	121,254	6.7	28,760	7.4	63	3.6
20-24	61,726	3.4	14,648	3.8	54	3.1
TOTAL	1,812,143		387,255		1,731	
Mean Score	43.4		43.2		45.2	
STD. DEV.	11.1		11.4		10.7	

WRITING SKILLS

	TOTAL GROUP		WEST		ALASKA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	2,797	0.2	717	0.2	6	0.3
70-74	9,575	0.5	1,941	0.5	11	0.6
65-69	24,949	1.4	5,391	1.4	32	1.8
60-64	42,832	2.4	8,838	2.3	59	3.4
55-59	108,401	6.0	22,388	5.8	109	6.3
50-54	144,708	8.0	30,680	7.9	192	11.1
45-49	258,971	14.3	55,091	14.2	309	17.9
40-44	291,803	16.1	61,604	15.9	282	16.3
35-39	373,535	20.6	79,973	20.7	304	17.6
30-34	243,627	13.4	52,959	13.7	202	11.7
25-29	161,462	8.9	35,247	9.1	123	7.1
20-24	149,483	8.2	32,426	8.4	102	5.9
TOTAL	1,812,143		387,255		1,731	
Mean Score	40.1		40.0		42.2	
STD. DEV.	10.9		10.9		11.1	

TABLE 6: PSAT/NMSQT® SCORES - MALE - CRITICAL READING

	TOTAL GROUP		WEST		ALASKA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	1,561	0.2	394	0.2	4	0.5
70-74	7,312	0.8	1,684	0.9	13	1.6
65-69	11,170	1.3	2,450	1.3	20	2.5
60-64	36,710	4.2	7,598	4.1	51	6.3
55-59	48,178	5.5	10,032	5.4	53	6.6
50-54	99,907	11.3	20,389	10.9	91	11.3
45-49	109,558	12.4	22,355	12.0	124	15.4
40-44	159,674	18.1	33,213	17.8	124	15.4
35-39	156,430	17.8	33,749	18.1	115	14.3
30-34	125,386	14.2	27,468	14.7	97	12.1
25-29	80,229	9.1	17,828	9.5	77	9.6
20-24	44,695	5.1	9,551	5.1	35	4.4
TOTAL	880,810		186,711		804	
Mean Score	41.4		41.3		43.4	
STD. DEV.	10.9		11.0		12.0	

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MALE - MATHEMATICS

	TOTAL GROUP		WEST		ALASKA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	5,699	0.6	1,437	0.8	5	0.6
70-74	9,805	1.1	2,362	1.3	8	1.0
65-69	30,402	3.5	6,625	3.5	27	3.4
60-64	41,199	4.7	8,950	4.8	52	6.5
55-59	75,499	8.6	15,338	8.2	68	8.5
50-54	105,200	11.9	21,777	11.7	126	15.7
45-49	150,974	17.1	30,764	16.5	162	20.1
40-44	122,770	13.9	25,142	13.5	101	12.6
35-39	155,059	17.6	32,683	17.5	125	15.5
30-34	90,792	10.3	19,968	10.7	72	9.0
25-29	60,551	6.9	14,005	7.5	27	3.4
20-24	32,860	3.7	7,660	4.1	31	3.9
TOTAL	880,810		186,711		804	
Mean Score	44.0		43.8		45.5	
STD. DEV.	11.7		12.0		11.4	

MALE - WRITING SKILLS

	TOTAL GROUP		WEST		ALASKA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	1,164	0.1	303	0.2	3	0.4
70-74	3,739	0.4	747	0.4	3	0.4
65-69	9,851	1.1	2,131	1.1	10	1.2
60-64	17,417	2.0	3,612	1.9	27	3.4
55-59	44,825	5.1	9,230	4.9	48	6.0
50-54	62,243	7.1	13,183	7.1	75	9.3
45-49	114,963	13.1	24,240	13.0	129	16.0
40-44	134,229	15.2	27,943	15.0	108	13.4
35-39	181,434	20.6	38,486	20.6	156	19.4
30-34	128,702	14.6	27,703	14.8	106	13.2
25-29	92,100	10.5	19,728	10.6	74	9.2
20-24	90,143	10.2	19,405	10.4	65	8.1
TOTAL	880,810		186,711		804	
Mean Score	38.9		38.8		40.7	
STD. DEV.	10.9		10.9		11.3	

TABLE 6: PSAT/NMSQT® SCORES - FEMALE - CRITICAL READING

	TOTAL GROUP		WEST		ALASKA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	1,504	0.2	395	0.2	6	0.7
70-74	6,917	0.8	1,703	0.9	17	1.9
65-69	11,394	1.2	2,602	1.3	16	1.7
60-64	38,678	4.2	8,154	4.1	57	6.2
55-59	55,901	6.1	11,709	5.9	67	7.3
50-54	121,826	13.2	24,860	12.5	153	16.7
45-49	134,547	14.6	28,068	14.1	153	16.7
40-44	186,303	20.2	39,339	19.8	181	19.8
35-39	163,036	17.7	36,140	18.2	125	13.7
30-34	109,823	11.9	24,990	12.6	82	9.0
25-29	61,495	6.7	13,819	7.0	45	4.9
20-24	30,763	3.3	6,846	3.4	13	1.4
TOTAL	922,187		198,625		915	
Mean Score	42.8		42.5		45.6	
STD. DEV.	10.3		10.4		10.6	

FEMALE - MATHEMATICS

	TOTAL GROUP		WEST		ALASKA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	2,536	0.3	639	0.3	1	0.1
70-74	5,279	0.6	1,361	0.7	5	0.5
65-69	18,673	2.0	4,189	2.1	16	1.7
60-64	30,451	3.3	6,702	3.4	34	3.7
55-59	65,935	7.1	13,827	7.0	95	10.4
50-54	108,425	11.8	22,629	11.4	141	15.4
45-49	171,513	18.6	35,445	17.8	213	23.3
40-44	147,879	16.0	30,377	15.3	122	13.3
35-39	184,475	20.0	39,584	19.9	160	17.5
30-34	99,247	10.8	22,530	11.3	71	7.8
25-29	59,568	6.5	14,500	7.3	35	3.8
20-24	28,206	3.1	6,842	3.4	22	2.4
TOTAL	922,187		198,625		915	
Mean Score	42.9		42.6		44.9	
STD. DEV.	10.5		10.8		10.1	

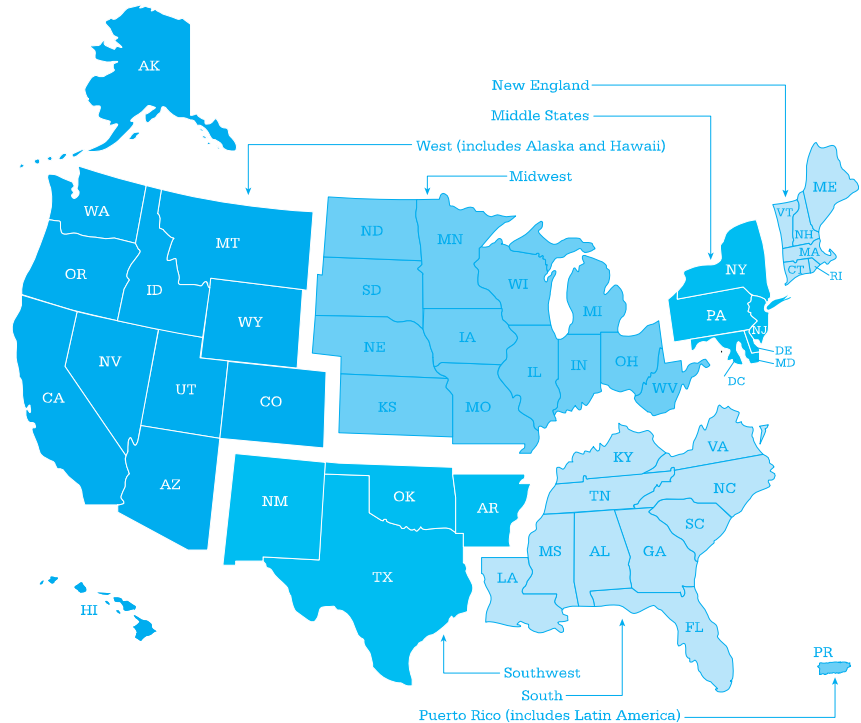
FEMALE - WRITING SKILLS

	TOTAL GROUP		WEST		ALASKA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	1,628	0.2	413	0.2	3	0.3
70-74	5,822	0.6	1,189	0.6	7	0.8
65-69	15,046	1.6	3,243	1.6	21	2.3
60-64	25,333	2.7	5,211	2.6	32	3.5
55-59	63,308	6.9	13,099	6.6	61	6.7
50-54	82,052	8.9	17,409	8.8	117	12.8
45-49	143,184	15.5	30,681	15.4	180	19.7
40-44	156,325	17.0	33,397	16.8	174	19.0
35-39	190,234	20.6	41,106	20.7	143	15.6
30-34	113,254	12.3	24,908	12.5	94	10.3
25-29	68,039	7.4	15,265	7.7	49	5.4
20-24	57,962	6.3	12,704	6.4	34	3.7
TOTAL	922,187		198,625		915	
Mean Score	41.3		41.2		43.6	
STD. DEV.	10.8		10.8		10.6	

TABLE 7: COLLEGE MAJOR

	TOTAL GROUP			WEST			ALASKA		
	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %
Agriculture Sciences	1.4	1.2	1.6	1.1	0.9	1.4	0.7	0.4	0.8
Architecture	1.6	2.4	0.8	1.4	2.2	0.8	1.6	2.2	1.1
Area/Ethnic/Cultural Studies	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.5
Biological Sciences	5.1	4.0	6.1	5.6	4.4	6.7	5.3	3.9	6.4
Business Management	7.5	8.9	6.2	6.6	7.6	5.8	4.6	5.1	4.3
Communication & Journalism	1.5	1.1	1.8	1.3	0.9	1.7	0.9	0.4	1.2
Computer/Information Science	2.7	5.0	0.6	2.8	5.2	0.7	3.0	6.0	0.5
Education	2.8	0.8	4.6	2.2	0.7	3.5	3.3	1.6	4.6
Engineering	10.9	19.6	3.0	10.9	19.4	3.2	13.7	23.9	5.2
Engineering Technologies	1.8	3.4	0.4	1.9	3.5	0.5	1.7	3.4	0.4
English Language & Literature	1.0	0.4	1.6	1.2	0.5	1.8	1.4	0.4	2.3
Family/Consumer Sciences	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2
Foreign Languages	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.6	1.1	0.3	1.8
Health Professions/Sciences	17.7	9.0	25.5	16.2	8.8	22.7	15.5	8.5	21.1
History	0.7	0.9	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.4	0.7	1.2	0.2
Legal Professions & Studies	2.1	1.7	2.5	2.0	1.5	2.4	1.7	1.2	2.1
Liberal Arts & Humanities	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.1
Mathematics & Statistics	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.8	1.0	0.6
Military Technologies	1.0	1.7	0.4	1.0	1.6	0.4	0.9	1.5	0.5
Multi/Interdisciplinary	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.7
Natural Resources	0.5	0.7	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.8	0.9	0.7
Parks, Leisure & Fitness Studies	1.1	2.0	0.4	0.9	1.5	0.3	0.9	1.6	0.4
Personal & Culinary Services	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.5
Philosophy/Religious Studies	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.4
Physical Sciences	1.3	1.8	0.9	1.5	2.1	1.0	1.8	2.6	1.1
Psychology	3.5	1.4	5.3	3.7	1.5	5.5	3.5	0.9	5.7
Social Service Professions	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.4	0.1	0.7	0.1	0.0	0.2
Security/Protective Services	4.8	5.0	4.7	5.0	5.1	4.9	3.1	3.6	2.6
Social Sciences	1.4	1.0	1.8	1.6	1.0	2.1	1.1	0.4	1.5
Theology/Religious Vocations	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
Visual & Performing Arts	9.4	7.2	11.3	9.6	7.4	11.6	7.7	4.8	10.1
Other	3.7	3.9	3.6	3.8	3.8	3.7	4.7	5.4	4.3
Undecided	12.9	14.0	12.0	15.3	16.2	14.5	17.5	17.2	17.9
NUMBER RESPONDING	1,576,191			325,325			1,537		

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