

PSAT/NMSQT®

2014-2015 COLLEGE-BOUND
HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS

SUMMARY REPORT

Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test

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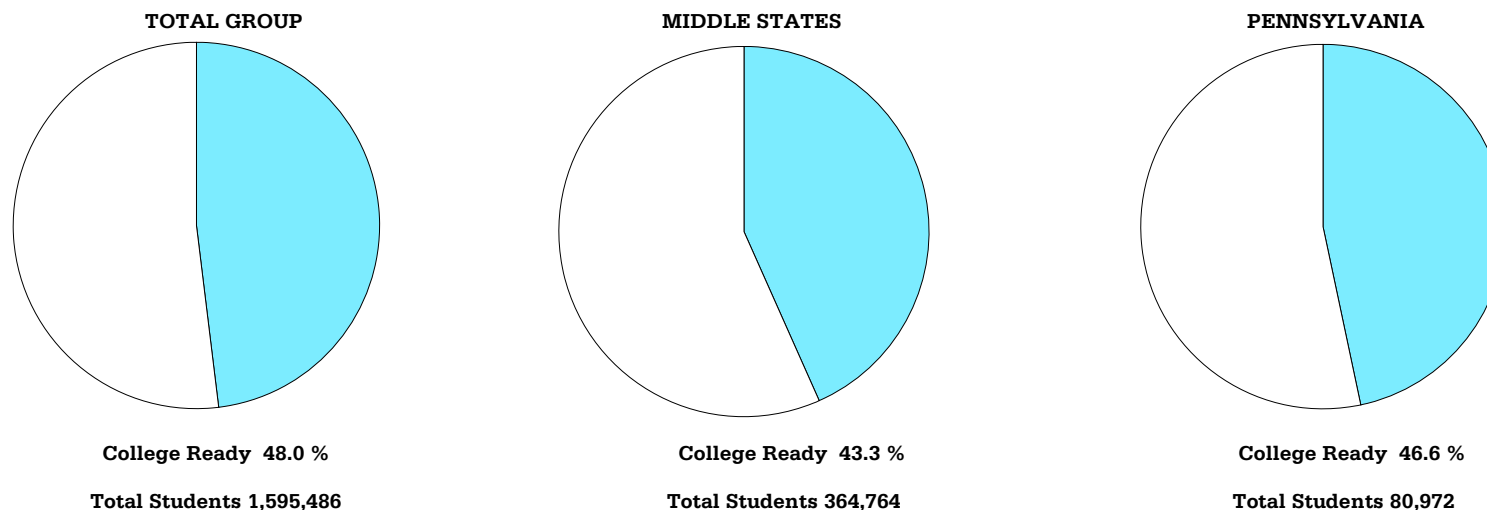


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FIGURE 1: ON TRACK TO BE COLLEGE AND CAREER READY

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 JUNIORS TAKING THE PSAT/NMSQT®

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		PENNSYLVANIA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Male	750,929	47.2	176,407	48.5	38,662	47.9
Female	839,350	52.8	187,159	51.5	42,023	52.1
No Response	5,207		1,198		287	
TOTAL	1,595,486		364,764		80,972	

TABLE 2: ETHNIC BACKGROUND

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		PENNSYLVANIA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
American Indian or Alaska Native	12,145	0.8	1,742	0.5	351	0.5
Asian, Asian American, or Pacific Islander	144,275	9.5	31,008	9.1	4,347	5.6
Black or African American	181,712	12.0	55,262	16.1	8,480	10.9
Hispanic, Latino, or Latin American	311,728	20.5	49,708	14.5	5,159	6.7
White	811,645	53.5	189,536	55.4	56,893	73.5
Other	56,542	3.7	14,971	4.4	2,223	2.9
No Response	77,439		22,537		3,519	

TABLE 3: PARTICIPATING IN STUDENT SEARCH SERVICE®

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		PENNSYLVANIA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	1,374,684	86.2	304,538	83.5	69,050	85.3
No	220,802	13.8	60,226	16.5	11,922	14.7

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TABLE 4: SELF-REPORTED GRADE AVERAGE

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		PENNSYLVANIA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
A+ (97-100)	72,120	4.9	15,917	4.8	4,385	5.8
A (93-96)	324,984	21.9	65,665	19.7	17,739	23.3
A- (90-92)	316,047	21.3	69,040	20.7	16,805	22.1
B+ (87-89)	266,041	17.9	62,442	18.7	14,210	18.7
B (83-86)	242,019	16.3	54,628	16.4	11,682	15.4
B- (80-82)	119,934	8.1	28,749	8.6	5,136	6.8
C+ (77-79)	78,252	5.3	19,531	5.9	3,314	4.4
C (73-76)	44,148	3.0	10,718	3.2	1,886	2.5
C- (70-72)	14,436	1.0	4,235	1.3	593	0.8
D+ (67-69)	4,553	0.3	1,626	0.5	163	0.2
D (65-66)	2,330	0.2	704	0.2	84	0.1
E or F (Below 65)	1,068	0.1	286	0.1	40	0.1
No Response	109,554		31,223		4,935	

TABLE 5: YEAR COMPLETING HIGH SCHOOL AND ENTERING COLLEGE

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		PENNSYLVANIA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2015	10,077	0.6	2,223	0.6	198	0.2
2016	1,529,666	97.6	347,314	97.5	77,812	97.6
2017	13,401	0.9	3,098	0.9	521	0.7
After 2017	4,382	0.3	1,000	0.3	226	0.3
Not Planning College	9,240	0.6	2,516	0.7	934	1.2
No Response	28,720		8,613		1,281	

TABLE 6: PSAT/NMSQT® SCORES - CRITICAL READING

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		PENNSYLVANIA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	12,269	0.8	2,435	0.7	546	0.7
70-74	40,435	2.5	7,873	2.2	1,713	2.1
65-69	50,059	3.1	9,749	2.7	2,233	2.8
60-64	132,960	8.3	25,614	7.0	6,108	7.5
55-59	151,282	9.5	31,577	8.7	7,706	9.5
50-54	262,519	16.5	55,789	15.3	13,718	16.9
45-49	241,246	15.1	55,700	15.3	13,153	16.2
40-44	277,848	17.4	65,138	17.9	14,278	17.6
35-39	205,506	12.9	50,507	13.8	9,990	12.3
30-34	123,731	7.8	32,244	8.8	6,077	7.5
25-29	65,274	4.1	18,528	5.1	3,520	4.3
20-24	32,357	2.0	9,610	2.6	1,930	2.4
TOTAL	1,595,486		364,764		80,972	
Mean Score	46.9		45.7		46.6	
STD. DEV.	11.3		11.4		11.1	

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MATHEMATICS

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		PENNSYLVANIA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	27,200	1.7	5,902	1.6	1,007	1.2
70-74	39,427	2.5	8,726	2.4	1,695	2.1
65-69	99,827	6.3	20,742	5.7	4,357	5.4
60-64	117,266	7.3	24,380	6.7	5,743	7.1
55-59	190,357	11.9	39,461	10.8	9,540	11.8
50-54	238,624	15.0	51,130	14.0	12,561	15.5
45-49	300,608	18.8	66,496	18.2	15,854	19.6
40-44	206,440	12.9	47,885	13.1	10,506	13.0
35-39	205,350	12.9	51,458	14.1	10,519	13.0
30-34	92,785	5.8	25,244	6.9	4,905	6.1
25-29	52,906	3.3	15,589	4.3	2,815	3.5
20-24	24,696	1.5	7,751	2.1	1,470	1.8
TOTAL	1,595,486		364,764		80,972	
Mean Score	48.6		47.5		48.0	
STD. DEV.	11.8		12.1		11.6	

WRITING SKILLS

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		PENNSYLVANIA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	14,474	0.9	3,315	0.9	662	0.8
70-74	30,945	1.9	6,491	1.8	1,355	1.7
65-69	58,912	3.7	12,200	3.3	2,702	3.3
60-64	80,202	5.0	15,778	4.3	3,737	4.6
55-59	164,768	10.3	32,389	8.9	7,787	9.6
50-54	180,999	11.3	35,515	9.7	8,912	11.0
45-49	277,129	17.4	59,824	16.4	14,423	17.8
40-44	258,258	16.2	59,485	16.3	13,444	16.6
35-39	258,214	16.2	63,361	17.4	13,266	16.4
30-34	133,110	8.3	35,374	9.7	6,836	8.4
25-29	75,906	4.8	21,759	6.0	4,146	5.1
20-24	62,569	3.9	19,273	5.3	3,702	4.6
TOTAL	1,595,486		364,764		80,972	
Mean Score	45.3		44.0		44.7	
STD. DEV.	11.8		12.1		11.7	

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

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		PENNSYLVANIA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	6,317	0.8	1,243	0.7	265	0.7
70-74	21,196	2.8	4,099	2.3	887	2.3
65-69	25,304	3.4	4,893	2.8	1,133	2.9
60-64	63,762	8.5	12,387	7.0	2,966	7.7
55-59	69,523	9.3	14,886	8.4	3,581	9.3
50-54	117,103	15.6	25,588	14.5	6,238	16.1
45-49	107,379	14.3	25,329	14.4	5,998	15.5
40-44	125,592	16.7	30,415	17.2	6,503	16.8
35-39	96,906	12.9	24,560	13.9	4,716	12.2
30-34	63,366	8.4	17,016	9.6	3,186	8.2
25-29	35,911	4.8	10,450	5.9	2,023	5.2
20-24	18,570	2.5	5,541	3.1	1,166	3.0
TOTAL	750,929		176,407		38,662	
Mean Score	46.7		45.4		46.2	
STD. DEV.	11.8		11.8		11.6	

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MALE - MATHEMATICS

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		PENNSYLVANIA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	17,909	2.4	3,840	2.2	660	1.7
70-74	24,544	3.3	5,417	3.1	1,097	2.8
65-69	58,730	7.8	12,364	7.0	2,621	6.8
60-64	63,734	8.5	13,504	7.7	3,273	8.5
55-59	95,622	12.7	20,223	11.5	4,891	12.7
50-54	110,359	14.7	24,313	13.8	5,889	15.2
45-49	129,882	17.3	29,907	17.0	6,943	18.0
40-44	85,201	11.3	20,640	11.7	4,331	11.2
35-39	85,862	11.4	22,670	12.9	4,504	11.6
30-34	41,404	5.5	11,790	6.7	2,298	5.9
25-29	25,099	3.3	7,694	4.4	1,358	3.5
20-24	12,583	1.7	4,045	2.3	797	2.1
TOTAL	750,929		176,407		38,662	
Mean Score	49.8		48.5		49.1	
STD. DEV.	12.4		12.8		12.2	

MALE - WRITING SKILLS

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		PENNSYLVANIA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	6,479	0.9	1,470	0.8	272	0.7
70-74	13,265	1.8	2,759	1.6	571	1.5
65-69	25,009	3.3	5,149	2.9	1,095	2.8
60-64	34,324	4.6	6,906	3.9	1,601	4.1
55-59	71,197	9.5	14,173	8.0	3,368	8.7
50-54	79,747	10.6	16,027	9.1	4,000	10.3
45-49	125,954	16.8	27,493	15.6	6,605	17.1
40-44	120,231	16.0	28,230	16.0	6,292	16.3
35-39	125,467	16.7	31,439	17.8	6,591	17.0
30-34	69,329	9.2	18,665	10.6	3,592	9.3
25-29	42,639	5.7	12,501	7.1	2,394	6.2
20-24	37,288	5.0	11,595	6.6	2,281	5.9
TOTAL	750,929		176,407		38,662	
Mean Score	44.4		42.9		43.6	
STD. DEV.	12.0		12.1		11.9	

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

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		PENNSYLVANIA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	5,939	0.7	1,192	0.6	281	0.7
70-74	19,179	2.3	3,762	2.0	823	2.0
65-69	24,680	2.9	4,844	2.6	1,097	2.6
60-64	68,995	8.2	13,191	7.0	3,131	7.5
55-59	81,466	9.7	16,645	8.9	4,118	9.8
50-54	144,823	17.3	30,079	16.1	7,445	17.7
45-49	133,262	15.9	30,234	16.2	7,118	16.9
40-44	151,249	18.0	34,508	18.4	7,724	18.4
35-39	107,685	12.8	25,725	13.7	5,227	12.4
30-34	59,661	7.1	15,056	8.0	2,853	6.8
25-29	28,896	3.4	7,938	4.2	1,460	3.5
20-24	13,515	1.6	3,985	2.1	746	1.8
TOTAL	839,350		187,159		42,023	
Mean Score	47.2		46.1		46.9	
STD. DEV.	10.9		11.0		10.7	

FEMALE - MATHEMATICS

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		PENNSYLVANIA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	9,262	1.1	2,055	1.1	346	0.8
70-74	14,848	1.8	3,304	1.8	598	1.4
65-69	40,965	4.9	8,353	4.5	1,731	4.1
60-64	53,359	6.4	10,840	5.8	2,464	5.9
55-59	94,379	11.2	19,166	10.2	4,633	11.0
50-54	127,719	15.2	26,708	14.3	6,646	15.8
45-49	169,815	20.2	36,411	19.5	8,860	21.1
40-44	120,438	14.3	27,075	14.5	6,125	14.6
35-39	118,531	14.1	28,569	15.3	5,972	14.2
30-34	50,749	6.0	13,279	7.1	2,572	6.1
25-29	27,391	3.3	7,769	4.2	1,429	3.4
20-24	11,894	1.4	3,630	1.9	647	1.5
TOTAL	839,350		187,159		42,023	
Mean Score	47.6		46.6		47.1	
STD. DEV.	11.2		11.5		10.9	

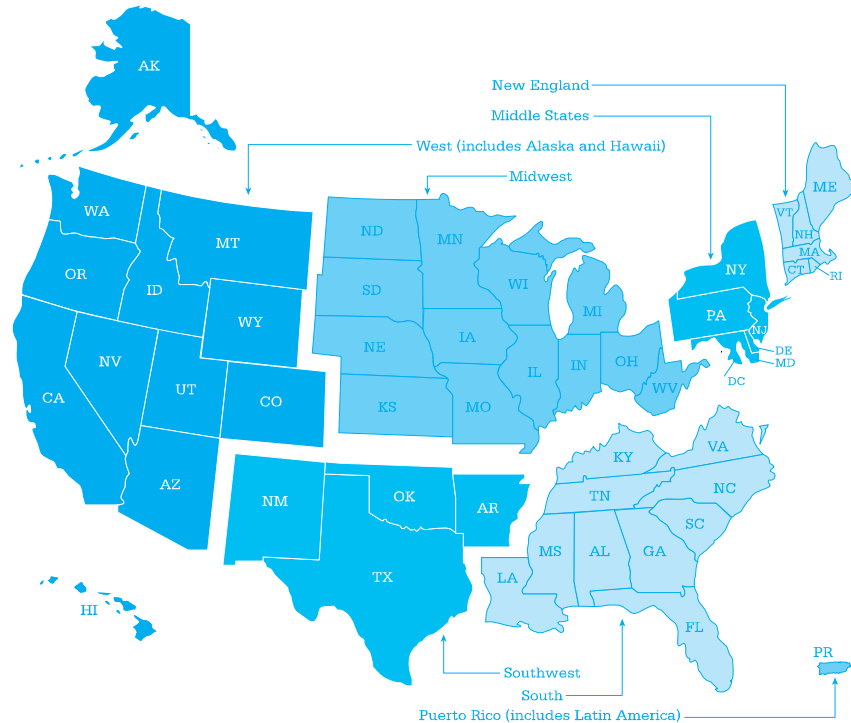
FEMALE - WRITING SKILLS

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		PENNSYLVANIA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	7,982	1.0	1,842	1.0	390	0.9
70-74	17,655	2.1	3,727	2.0	782	1.9
65-69	33,832	4.0	7,040	3.8	1,604	3.8
60-64	45,764	5.5	8,859	4.7	2,133	5.1
55-59	93,261	11.1	18,155	9.7	4,405	10.5
50-54	100,894	12.0	19,432	10.4	4,899	11.7
45-49	150,475	17.9	32,192	17.2	7,784	18.5
40-44	137,187	16.3	31,085	16.6	7,103	16.9
35-39	131,705	15.7	31,702	16.9	6,629	15.8
30-34	63,051	7.5	16,505	8.8	3,197	7.6
25-29	32,766	3.9	9,100	4.9	1,717	4.1
20-24	24,778	3.0	7,520	4.0	1,380	3.3
TOTAL	839,350		187,159		42,023	
Mean Score	46.2		45.0		45.8	
STD. DEV.	11.6		11.9		11.5	

TABLE 7: COLLEGE MAJOR

	TOTAL GROUP			MIDDLE STATES			PENNSYLVANIA		
	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %
Agriculture Sciences	1.1	1.0	1.2	0.8	0.6	0.9	1.0	0.9	1.2
Architecture	1.3	1.9	0.8	1.2	1.8	0.7	1.2	1.9	0.6
Area/Ethnic/Cultural Studies	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
Biological Sciences	5.5	4.3	6.5	5.3	4.1	6.3	5.2	3.9	6.4
Business Management	9.7	12.0	7.7	10.5	13.1	8.2	10.5	13.2	8.1
Communication & Journalism	1.8	1.4	2.3	2.1	1.6	2.5	2.1	1.7	2.5
Computer/Information Science	2.9	5.4	0.7	3.1	5.7	0.8	3.0	5.6	0.7
Education	3.2	1.0	5.1	3.4	1.1	5.5	4.2	1.5	6.7
Engineering	11.3	20.0	3.9	9.8	17.1	3.3	10.3	18.2	3.2
Engineering Technologies	1.3	2.3	0.3	1.3	2.5	0.3	1.1	2.0	0.2
English Language & Literature	1.1	0.5	1.5	1.1	0.5	1.6	1.1	0.6	1.6
Family/Consumer Sciences	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.5
Foreign Languages	0.5	0.3	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.7
Health Professions/Sciences	19.2	10.3	27.0	16.8	8.9	23.8	18.8	9.8	26.7
History	0.7	0.9	0.4	0.8	1.1	0.5	0.9	1.2	0.5
Legal Professions & Studies	2.0	1.7	2.2	1.9	1.6	2.2	1.7	1.5	1.9
Liberal Arts & Humanities	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.3
Mathematics & Statistics	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.8	1.0	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.6
Military Technologies	0.6	1.0	0.2	0.6	1.0	0.2	0.7	1.2	0.2
Multi/Interdisciplinary	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.7
Natural Resources	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.9	0.4
Parks, Leisure & Fitness Studies	0.8	1.4	0.3	0.8	1.5	0.2	0.8	1.4	0.2
Personal & Culinary Services	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4
Philosophy/Religious Studies	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2
Physical Sciences	1.4	1.9	1.0	1.4	1.8	1.0	1.4	1.8	1.0
Psychology	4.0	1.8	5.9	4.1	1.8	6.3	4.0	1.7	6.0
Social Service Professions	0.5	0.1	0.8	0.4	0.1	0.7	0.4	0.1	0.6
Security/Protective Services	4.2	4.5	3.9	4.9	5.5	4.5	3.9	4.5	3.4
Social Sciences	2.0	1.6	2.4	2.0	1.6	2.4	1.9	1.5	2.2
Theology/Religious Vocations	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1
Visual & Performing Arts	8.1	6.8	9.2	7.8	6.3	9.2	6.8	5.5	7.9
Other	2.7	2.9	2.5	3.1	3.3	3.0	3.3	3.5	3.0
Undecided	10.9	11.8	10.2	12.8	13.9	11.8	12.0	13.2	11.0
NUMBER RESPONDING	1,458,790			318,844			73,823		

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