

# PSAT/NMSQT®

## 2014-2015 COLLEGE-BOUND HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORES SUMMARY REPORT

Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test

### FLORIDA

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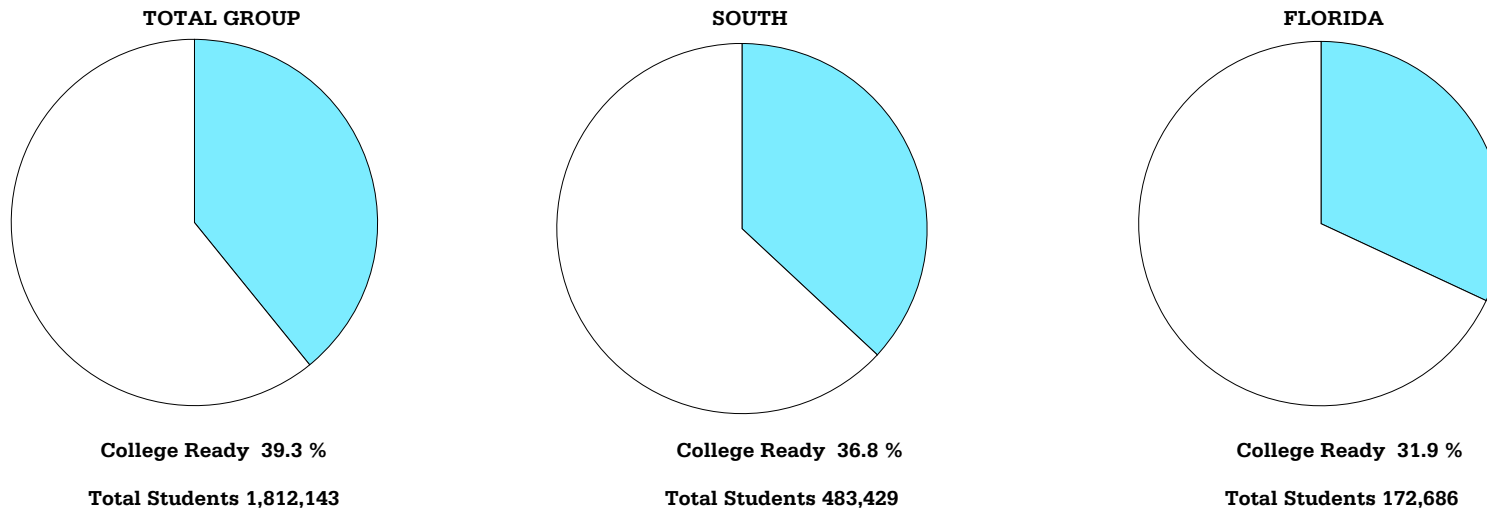


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**FIGURE 1: ON TRACK TO BE COLLEGE AND CAREER READY**

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](http://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.



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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		SOUTH		FLORIDA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Male	880,810	48.9	235,674	49.0	86,005	50.1
Female	922,187	51.1	245,208	51.0	85,832	49.9
No Response	9,146		2,547		849	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,812,143</b>		<b>483,429</b>		<b>172,686</b>	

**TABLE 2: ETHNIC BACKGROUND**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		FLORIDA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
American Indian or Alaska Native	15,790	0.9	2,718	0.6	884	0.6
Asian, Asian American, or Pacific Islander	138,953	8.2	21,199	4.7	5,724	3.6
Black or African American	253,986	15.0	111,519	24.5	31,864	19.8
Hispanic, Latino, or Latin American	405,117	23.9	73,690	16.2	46,308	28.8
White	812,556	48.0	229,614	50.4	69,566	43.3
Other	66,728	3.9	16,472	3.6	6,353	4.0
No Response	119,013		28,217		11,987	

**TABLE 3: PARTICIPATING IN STUDENT SEARCH SERVICE®**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		FLORIDA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	1,500,432	82.8	404,899	83.8	142,013	82.2
No	311,711	17.2	78,530	16.2	30,673	17.8

**TABLE 4: SELF-REPORTED GRADE AVERAGE**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		FLORIDA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
A+ (97-100)	65,579	4.0	18,443	4.3	4,003	2.7
A (93-96)	322,403	19.9	84,696	19.5	22,156	14.7
A- (90-92)	303,457	18.7	75,809	17.5	22,850	15.2
B+ (87-89)	280,346	17.3	76,884	17.7	26,633	17.7
B (83-86)	271,296	16.7	75,978	17.5	30,160	20.1
B- (80-82)	147,307	9.1	40,244	9.3	15,834	10.5
C+ (77-79)	112,011	6.9	31,126	7.2	13,725	9.1
C (73-76)	72,748	4.5	19,487	4.5	9,710	6.5
C- (70-72)	27,431	1.7	6,688	1.5	3,162	2.1
D+ (67-69)	9,944	0.6	2,133	0.5	1,057	0.7
D (65-66)	7,054	0.4	1,342	0.3	704	0.5
E or F (Below 65)	3,687	0.2	750	0.2	358	0.2
No Response	188,880		49,849		22,334	

**TABLE 5: YEAR COMPLETING HIGH SCHOOL AND ENTERING COLLEGE**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		FLORIDA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2015	2,940	0.2	724	0.2	248	0.2
2016	36,486	2.1	10,916	2.4	3,328	2.0
2017	1,628,214	94.0	436,666	94.1	154,760	94.0
After 2017	48,794	2.8	11,619	2.5	4,765	2.9
Not Planning College	15,809	0.9	4,150	0.9	1,580	1.0
No Response	79,900		19,354		8,005	

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

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		FLORIDA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	3,071	0.2	604	0.1	134	0.1
70-74	14,263	0.8	3,255	0.7	826	0.5
65-69	22,611	1.2	5,414	1.1	1,437	0.8
60-64	75,582	4.2	19,541	4.0	5,751	3.3
55-59	104,347	5.8	26,571	5.5	8,106	4.7
50-54	222,376	12.3	58,386	12.1	19,059	11.0
45-49	245,015	13.5	63,602	13.2	21,874	12.7
40-44	347,511	19.2	94,556	19.6	34,927	20.2
35-39	321,251	17.7	88,198	18.2	34,036	19.7
30-34	236,884	13.1	63,989	13.2	24,473	14.2
25-29	143,005	7.9	39,409	8.2	14,889	8.6
20-24	76,227	4.2	19,904	4.1	7,174	4.2
TOTAL	1,812,143		483,429		172,686	
Mean Score	42.1		41.9		41.1	
STD. DEV.	10.6		10.5		10.0	

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**MATHEMATICS**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		FLORIDA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	8,247	0.5	1,376	0.3	262	0.2
70-74	15,111	0.8	2,705	0.6	652	0.4
65-69	49,192	2.7	10,325	2.1	2,651	1.5
60-64	71,822	4.0	15,869	3.3	4,510	2.6
55-59	141,770	7.8	34,267	7.1	10,587	6.1
50-54	214,315	11.8	53,582	11.1	17,637	10.2
45-49	323,711	17.9	85,337	17.7	29,379	17.0
40-44	271,903	15.0	73,340	15.2	26,412	15.3
35-39	341,545	18.8	97,299	20.1	36,816	21.3
30-34	191,547	10.6	55,519	11.5	21,904	12.7
25-29	121,254	6.7	35,442	7.3	14,402	8.3
20-24	61,726	3.4	18,368	3.8	7,474	4.3
TOTAL	1,812,143		483,429		172,686	
Mean Score	43.4		42.5		41.3	
STD. DEV.	11.1		10.8		10.5	

**WRITING SKILLS**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		FLORIDA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	2,797	0.2	544	0.1	98	0.1
70-74	9,575	0.5	2,492	0.5	528	0.3
65-69	24,949	1.4	5,911	1.2	1,340	0.8
60-64	42,832	2.4	10,654	2.2	2,592	1.5
55-59	108,401	6.0	27,161	5.6	7,221	4.2
50-54	144,708	8.0	36,090	7.5	10,433	6.0
45-49	258,971	14.3	65,571	13.6	21,066	12.2
40-44	291,803	16.1	76,581	15.8	27,050	15.7
35-39	373,535	20.6	102,195	21.1	38,540	22.3
30-34	243,627	13.4	68,445	14.2	27,343	15.8
25-29	161,462	8.9	45,140	9.3	18,611	10.8
20-24	149,483	8.2	42,645	8.8	17,864	10.3
TOTAL	1,812,143		483,429		172,686	
Mean Score	40.1		39.6		38.1	
STD. DEV.	10.9		10.8		10.3	

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

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		FLORIDA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	1,561	0.2	302	0.1	77	0.1
70-74	7,312	0.8	1,665	0.7	434	0.5
65-69	11,170	1.3	2,719	1.2	703	0.8
60-64	36,710	4.2	9,446	4.0	2,767	3.2
55-59	48,178	5.5	12,260	5.2	3,808	4.4
50-54	99,907	11.3	25,717	10.9	8,477	9.9
45-49	109,558	12.4	28,432	12.1	9,880	11.5
40-44	159,674	18.1	43,421	18.4	16,408	19.1
35-39	156,430	17.8	43,298	18.4	17,108	19.9
30-34	125,386	14.2	34,270	14.5	13,366	15.5
25-29	80,229	9.1	22,280	9.5	8,566	10.0
20-24	44,695	5.1	11,864	5.0	4,411	5.1
TOTAL	880,810		235,674		86,005	
Mean Score	41.4		41.1		40.3	
STD. DEV.	10.9		10.7		10.3	

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**MALE - MATHEMATICS**

	<b>TOTAL GROUP</b>		<b>SOUTH</b>		<b>FLORIDA</b>	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	5,699	0.6	979	0.4	184	0.2
70-74	9,805	1.1	1,810	0.8	449	0.5
65-69	30,402	3.5	6,457	2.7	1,700	2.0
60-64	41,199	4.7	9,283	3.9	2,689	3.1
55-59	75,499	8.6	18,497	7.8	5,938	6.9
50-54	105,200	11.9	26,532	11.3	8,985	10.4
45-49	150,974	17.1	39,993	17.0	14,325	16.7
40-44	122,770	13.9	33,381	14.2	12,355	14.4
35-39	155,059	17.6	44,469	18.9	17,443	20.3
30-34	90,792	10.3	26,490	11.2	10,645	12.4
25-29	60,551	6.9	17,920	7.6	7,268	8.5
20-24	32,860	3.7	9,863	4.2	4,024	4.7
TOTAL	880,810		235,674		86,005	
Mean Score	44.0		42.9		41.7	
STD. DEV.	11.7		11.4		11.0	

**MALE - WRITING SKILLS**

	<b>TOTAL GROUP</b>		<b>SOUTH</b>		<b>FLORIDA</b>	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	1,164	0.1	226	0.1	44	0.1
70-74	3,739	0.4	952	0.4	202	0.2
65-69	9,851	1.1	2,265	1.0	514	0.6
60-64	17,417	2.0	4,224	1.8	1,011	1.2
55-59	44,825	5.1	11,143	4.7	2,942	3.4
50-54	62,243	7.1	15,397	6.5	4,472	5.2
45-49	114,963	13.1	28,662	12.2	9,168	10.7
40-44	134,229	15.2	34,836	14.8	12,258	14.3
35-39	181,434	20.6	49,573	21.0	18,954	22.0
30-34	128,702	14.6	36,308	15.4	14,723	17.1
25-29	92,100	10.5	26,077	11.1	10,789	12.5
20-24	90,143	10.2	26,011	11.0	10,928	12.7
TOTAL	880,810		235,674		86,005	
Mean Score	38.9		38.3		36.8	
STD. DEV.	10.9		10.8		10.2	



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

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		FLORIDA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	1,504	0.2	301	0.1	57	0.1
70-74	6,917	0.8	1,585	0.6	391	0.5
65-69	11,394	1.2	2,686	1.1	732	0.9
60-64	38,678	4.2	10,057	4.1	2,972	3.5
55-59	55,901	6.1	14,243	5.8	4,280	5.0
50-54	121,826	13.2	32,515	13.3	10,530	12.3
45-49	134,547	14.6	34,916	14.2	11,916	13.9
40-44	186,303	20.2	50,693	20.7	18,362	21.4
35-39	163,036	17.7	44,357	18.1	16,739	19.5
30-34	109,823	11.9	29,240	11.9	10,940	12.7
25-29	61,495	6.7	16,783	6.8	6,207	7.2
20-24	30,763	3.3	7,832	3.2	2,706	3.2
TOTAL	922,187		245,208		85,832	
Mean Score	42.8		42.6		41.9	
STD. DEV.	10.3		10.1		9.8	

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**FEMALE - MATHEMATICS**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		FLORIDA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	2,536	0.3	396	0.2	78	0.1
70-74	5,279	0.6	892	0.4	201	0.2
65-69	18,673	2.0	3,843	1.6	943	1.1
60-64	30,451	3.3	6,555	2.7	1,812	2.1
55-59	65,935	7.1	15,699	6.4	4,628	5.4
50-54	108,425	11.8	26,886	11.0	8,606	10.0
45-49	171,513	18.6	45,000	18.4	14,936	17.4
40-44	147,879	16.0	39,607	16.2	13,947	16.2
35-39	184,475	20.0	52,236	21.3	19,183	22.3
30-34	99,247	10.8	28,575	11.7	11,096	12.9
25-29	59,568	6.5	17,188	7.0	7,017	8.2
20-24	28,206	3.1	8,331	3.4	3,385	3.9
TOTAL	922,187		245,208		85,832	
Mean Score	42.9		42.1		41.0	
STD. DEV.	10.5		10.2		9.9	

**FEMALE - WRITING SKILLS**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		FLORIDA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	1,628	0.2	318	0.1	54	0.1
70-74	5,822	0.6	1,536	0.6	326	0.4
65-69	15,046	1.6	3,640	1.5	826	1.0
60-64	25,333	2.7	6,407	2.6	1,575	1.8
55-59	63,308	6.9	15,948	6.5	4,254	5.0
50-54	82,052	8.9	20,601	8.4	5,938	6.9
45-49	143,184	15.5	36,702	15.0	11,841	13.8
40-44	156,325	17.0	41,389	16.9	14,687	17.1
35-39	190,234	20.6	52,072	21.2	19,390	22.6
30-34	113,254	12.3	31,670	12.9	12,445	14.5
25-29	68,039	7.4	18,681	7.6	7,691	9.0
20-24	57,962	6.3	16,244	6.6	6,805	7.9
TOTAL	922,187		245,208		85,832	
Mean Score	41.3		40.9		39.4	
STD. DEV.	10.8		10.7		10.3	

**TABLE 7: COLLEGE MAJOR**

	TOTAL GROUP			SOUTH			FLORIDA		
	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %
Agriculture Sciences	1.4	1.2	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.6
Architecture	1.6	2.4	0.8	1.4	2.3	0.7	1.3	1.9	0.7
Area/Ethnic/Cultural Studies	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Biological Sciences	5.1	4.0	6.1	5.0	3.9	5.9	5.1	4.1	5.9
Business Management	7.5	8.9	6.2	7.3	8.7	6.0	7.7	9.1	6.4
Communication & Journalism	1.5	1.1	1.8	1.5	1.1	1.9	1.5	1.0	2.0
Computer/Information Science	2.7	5.0	0.6	2.7	5.0	0.6	2.7	4.9	0.6
Education	2.8	0.8	4.6	2.7	0.7	4.6	2.1	0.6	3.6
Engineering	10.9	19.6	3.0	10.4	19.0	2.6	9.4	16.9	2.2
Engineering Technologies	1.8	3.4	0.4	1.9	3.5	0.4	1.9	3.5	0.4
English Language & Literature	1.0	0.4	1.6	0.9	0.4	1.4	0.9	0.4	1.4
Family/Consumer Sciences	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.3	0.2	0.4
Foreign Languages	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.5
Health Professions/Sciences	17.7	9.0	25.5	19.9	10.1	28.9	19.2	10.3	27.8
History	0.7	0.9	0.4	0.7	1.0	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.3
Legal Professions & Studies	2.1	1.7	2.5	2.3	1.8	2.8	2.6	2.0	3.2
Liberal Arts & Humanities	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2
Mathematics & Statistics	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.4
Military Technologies	1.0	1.7	0.4	1.3	2.0	0.6	1.3	2.1	0.6
Multi/Interdisciplinary	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.6
Natural Resources	0.5	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.9	0.3	0.5	0.8	0.3
Parks, Leisure & Fitness Studies	1.1	2.0	0.4	1.4	2.6	0.4	1.6	2.8	0.4
Personal & Culinary Services	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.7
Philosophy/Religious Studies	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2
Physical Sciences	1.3	1.8	0.9	1.1	1.5	0.7	1.0	1.4	0.6
Psychology	3.5	1.4	5.3	3.5	1.5	5.3	3.8	1.6	5.9
Social Service Professions	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.4
Security/Protective Services	4.8	5.0	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.6	5.4	5.3	5.4
Social Sciences	1.4	1.0	1.8	1.4	1.0	1.7	1.3	0.9	1.7
Theology/Religious Vocations	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Visual & Performing Arts	9.4	7.2	11.3	10.1	8.0	12.0	10.1	8.4	11.7
Other	3.7	3.9	3.6	3.8	4.0	3.7	4.3	4.5	4.1
Undecided	12.9	14.0	12.0	10.3	11.6	9.0	11.2	12.7	9.7
NUMBER RESPONDING	1,576,191			429,411			150,281		

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