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2014-2015 COLLEGE-BOUND HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORES SUMMARY REPORT

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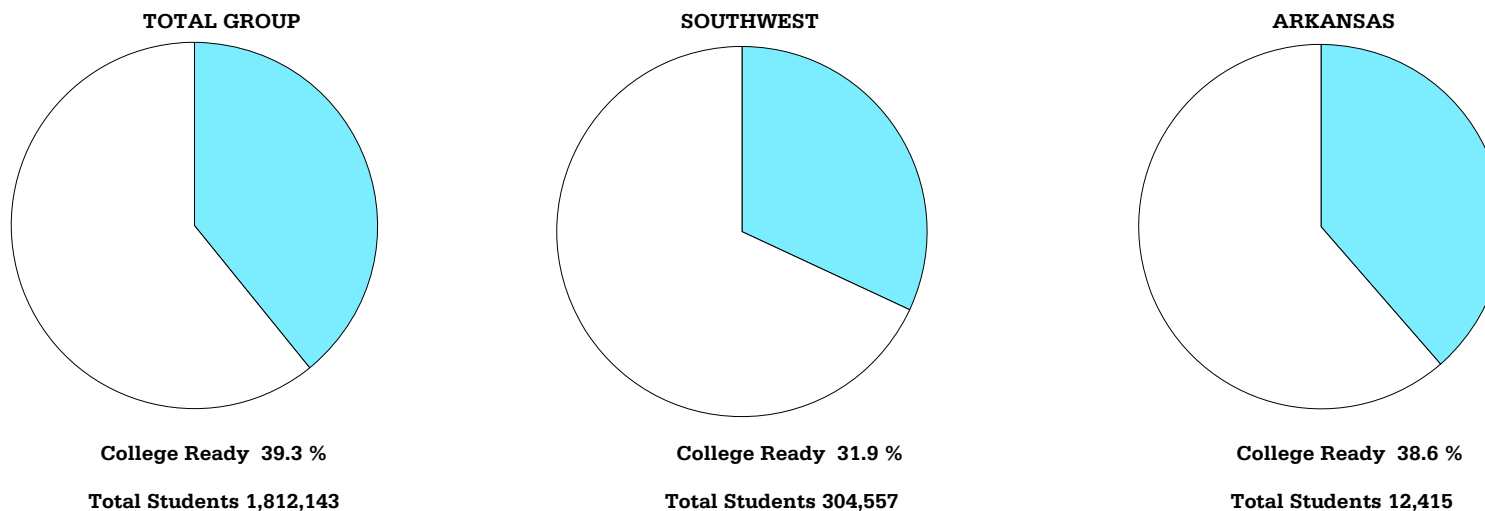


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FIGURE 1: ON TRACK TO BE COLLEGE AND CAREER READY

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		SOUTHWEST		ARKANSAS	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Male	880,810	48.9	149,852	49.4	5,993	49.0
Female	922,187	51.1	153,315	50.6	6,247	51.0
No Response	9,146		1,390		175	
TOTAL	1,812,143		304,557		12,415	

TABLE 2: ETHNIC BACKGROUND

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		ARKANSAS	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
American Indian or Alaska Native	15,790	0.9	5,237	1.8	147	1.2
Asian, Asian American, or Pacific Islander	138,953	8.2	15,445	5.3	482	4.1
Black or African American	253,986	15.0	35,988	12.4	1,483	12.6
Hispanic, Latino, or Latin American	405,117	23.9	122,783	42.3	1,658	14.1
White	812,556	48.0	103,358	35.6	7,815	66.3
Other	66,728	3.9	7,448	2.6	208	1.8
No Response	119,013		14,298		622	

TABLE 3: PARTICIPATING IN STUDENT SEARCH SERVICE®

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		ARKANSAS	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	1,500,432	82.8	257,506	84.6	10,397	83.7
No	311,711	17.2	47,051	15.4	2,018	16.3

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TABLE 4: SELF-REPORTED GRADE AVERAGE

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		ARKANSAS	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
A+ (97-100)	65,579	4.0	9,882	3.6	388	3.5
A (93-96)	322,403	19.9	47,168	17.0	2,265	20.3
A- (90-92)	303,457	18.7	51,247	18.5	1,927	17.3
B+ (87-89)	280,346	17.3	53,358	19.3	1,753	15.7
B (83-86)	271,296	16.7	48,958	17.7	1,869	16.8
B- (80-82)	147,307	9.1	30,850	11.1	999	9.0
C+ (77-79)	112,011	6.9	19,172	6.9	871	7.8
C (73-76)	72,748	4.5	9,796	3.5	686	6.1
C- (70-72)	27,431	1.7	4,114	1.5	237	2.1
D+ (67-69)	9,944	0.6	1,024	0.4	92	0.8
D (65-66)	7,054	0.4	676	0.2	50	0.4
E or F (Below 65)	3,687	0.2	442	0.2	19	0.2
No Response	188,880		27,870		1,259	

TABLE 5: YEAR COMPLETING HIGH SCHOOL AND ENTERING COLLEGE

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		ARKANSAS	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2015	2,940	0.2	659	0.2	10	0.1
2016	36,486	2.1	9,643	3.3	169	1.4
2017	1,628,214	94.0	270,707	92.1	11,198	94.2
After 2017	48,794	2.8	9,828	3.3	387	3.3
Not Planning College	15,809	0.9	3,154	1.1	128	1.1
No Response	79,900		10,566		523	

TABLE 6: PSAT/NMSQT® SCORES - CRITICAL READING

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		ARKANSAS	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	3,071	0.2	379	0.1	13	0.1
70-74	14,263	0.8	1,606	0.5	55	0.4
65-69	22,611	1.2	2,622	0.9	116	0.9
60-64	75,582	4.2	9,656	3.2	456	3.7
55-59	104,347	5.8	13,069	4.3	682	5.5
50-54	222,376	12.3	30,113	9.9	1,539	12.4
45-49	245,015	13.5	35,895	11.8	1,751	14.1
40-44	347,511	19.2	59,268	19.5	2,507	20.2
35-39	321,251	17.7	60,690	19.9	2,123	17.1
30-34	236,884	13.1	47,618	15.6	1,540	12.4
25-29	143,005	7.9	28,723	9.4	1,104	8.9
20-24	76,227	4.2	14,918	4.9	529	4.3
TOTAL	1,812,143		304,557		12,415	
Mean Score	42.1		40.4		41.7	
STD. DEV.	10.6		10.2		10.3	

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MATHEMATICS

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		ARKANSAS	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	8,247	0.5	843	0.3	12	0.1
70-74	15,111	0.8	1,381	0.5	44	0.4
65-69	49,192	2.7	5,274	1.7	211	1.7
60-64	71,822	4.0	7,862	2.6	365	2.9
55-59	141,770	7.8	18,253	6.0	888	7.2
50-54	214,315	11.8	30,904	10.1	1,430	11.5
45-49	323,711	17.9	54,801	18.0	2,505	20.2
40-44	271,903	15.0	51,725	17.0	2,026	16.3
35-39	341,545	18.8	67,187	22.1	2,606	21.0
30-34	191,547	10.6	35,681	11.7	1,251	10.1
25-29	121,254	6.7	20,934	6.9	691	5.6
20-24	61,726	3.4	9,712	3.2	386	3.1
TOTAL	1,812,143		304,557		12,415	
Mean Score	43.4		42.0		42.9	
STD. DEV.	11.1		10.2		10.0	

WRITING SKILLS

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		ARKANSAS	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	2,797	0.2	328	0.1	7	0.1
70-74	9,575	0.5	1,346	0.4	57	0.5
65-69	24,949	1.4	2,985	1.0	122	1.0
60-64	42,832	2.4	5,466	1.8	266	2.1
55-59	108,401	6.0	14,214	4.7	697	5.6
50-54	144,708	8.0	19,121	6.3	1,042	8.4
45-49	258,971	14.3	37,195	12.2	1,818	14.6
40-44	291,803	16.1	46,913	15.4	2,069	16.7
35-39	373,535	20.6	68,024	22.3	2,605	21.0
30-34	243,627	13.4	48,145	15.8	1,661	13.4
25-29	161,462	8.9	32,422	10.6	1,015	8.2
20-24	149,483	8.2	28,398	9.3	1,056	8.5
TOTAL	1,812,143		304,557		12,415	
Mean Score	40.1		38.6		39.9	
STD. DEV.	10.9		10.5		10.6	

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

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		ARKANSAS	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	1,561	0.2	202	0.1	9	0.2
70-74	7,312	0.8	883	0.6	32	0.5
65-69	11,170	1.3	1,324	0.9	67	1.1
60-64	36,710	4.2	4,938	3.3	234	3.9
55-59	48,178	5.5	6,156	4.1	303	5.1
50-54	99,907	11.3	13,791	9.2	647	10.8
45-49	109,558	12.4	16,250	10.8	773	12.9
40-44	159,674	18.1	27,386	18.3	1,141	19.0
35-39	156,430	17.8	29,267	19.5	1,023	17.1
30-34	125,386	14.2	24,902	16.6	810	13.5
25-29	80,229	9.1	16,063	10.7	636	10.6
20-24	44,695	5.1	8,690	5.8	318	5.3
TOTAL	880,810		149,852		5,993	
Mean Score	41.4		39.9		41.0	
STD. DEV.	10.9		10.5		10.7	

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MALE - MATHEMATICS

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		ARKANSAS	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	5,699	0.6	597	0.4	6	0.1
70-74	9,805	1.1	917	0.6	34	0.6
65-69	30,402	3.5	3,327	2.2	137	2.3
60-64	41,199	4.7	4,727	3.2	217	3.6
55-59	75,499	8.6	10,334	6.9	485	8.1
50-54	105,200	11.9	15,937	10.6	702	11.7
45-49	150,974	17.1	26,457	17.7	1,142	19.1
40-44	122,770	13.9	23,806	15.9	933	15.6
35-39	155,059	17.6	30,733	20.5	1,181	19.7
30-34	90,792	10.3	17,012	11.4	578	9.6
25-29	60,551	6.9	10,671	7.1	363	6.1
20-24	32,860	3.7	5,334	3.6	215	3.6
TOTAL	880,810		149,852		5,993	
Mean Score	44.0		42.5		43.3	
STD. DEV.	11.7		10.8		10.6	

MALE - WRITING SKILLS

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		ARKANSAS	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	1,164	0.1	146	0.1	5	0.1
70-74	3,739	0.4	542	0.4	17	0.3
65-69	9,851	1.1	1,204	0.8	52	0.9
60-64	17,417	2.0	2,225	1.5	96	1.6
55-59	44,825	5.1	5,973	4.0	296	4.9
50-54	62,243	7.1	8,298	5.5	418	7.0
45-49	114,963	13.1	16,691	11.1	770	12.8
40-44	134,229	15.2	21,668	14.5	939	15.7
35-39	181,434	20.6	32,703	21.8	1,265	21.1
30-34	128,702	14.6	25,128	16.8	878	14.7
25-29	92,100	10.5	18,285	12.2	579	9.7
20-24	90,143	10.2	16,989	11.3	678	11.3
TOTAL	880,810		149,852		5,993	
Mean Score	38.9		37.5		38.5	
STD. DEV.	10.9		10.4		10.7	

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

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		ARKANSAS	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	1,504	0.2	176	0.1	4	0.1
70-74	6,917	0.8	722	0.5	22	0.4
65-69	11,394	1.2	1,296	0.8	48	0.8
60-64	38,678	4.2	4,705	3.1	220	3.5
55-59	55,901	6.1	6,889	4.5	375	6.0
50-54	121,826	13.2	16,259	10.6	881	14.1
45-49	134,547	14.6	19,523	12.7	954	15.3
40-44	186,303	20.2	31,665	20.7	1,330	21.3
35-39	163,036	17.7	31,116	20.3	1,064	17.0
30-34	109,823	11.9	22,408	14.6	703	11.3
25-29	61,495	6.7	12,446	8.1	444	7.1
20-24	30,763	3.3	6,110	4.0	202	3.2
TOTAL	922,187		153,315		6,247	
Mean Score	42.8		41.0		42.5	
STD. DEV.	10.3		9.9		9.9	

FEMALE - MATHEMATICS

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		ARKANSAS	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	2,536	0.3	246	0.2	6	0.1
70-74	5,279	0.6	464	0.3	10	0.2
65-69	18,673	2.0	1,943	1.3	74	1.2
60-64	30,451	3.3	3,120	2.0	147	2.4
55-59	65,935	7.1	7,889	5.1	395	6.3
50-54	108,425	11.8	14,894	9.7	711	11.4
45-49	171,513	18.6	28,168	18.4	1,326	21.2
40-44	147,879	16.0	27,726	18.1	1,068	17.1
35-39	184,475	20.0	36,108	23.6	1,388	22.2
30-34	99,247	10.8	18,402	12.0	644	10.3
25-29	59,568	6.5	10,093	6.6	317	5.1
20-24	28,206	3.1	4,262	2.8	161	2.6
TOTAL	922,187		153,315		6,247	
Mean Score	42.9		41.5		42.6	
STD. DEV.	10.5		9.6		9.5	

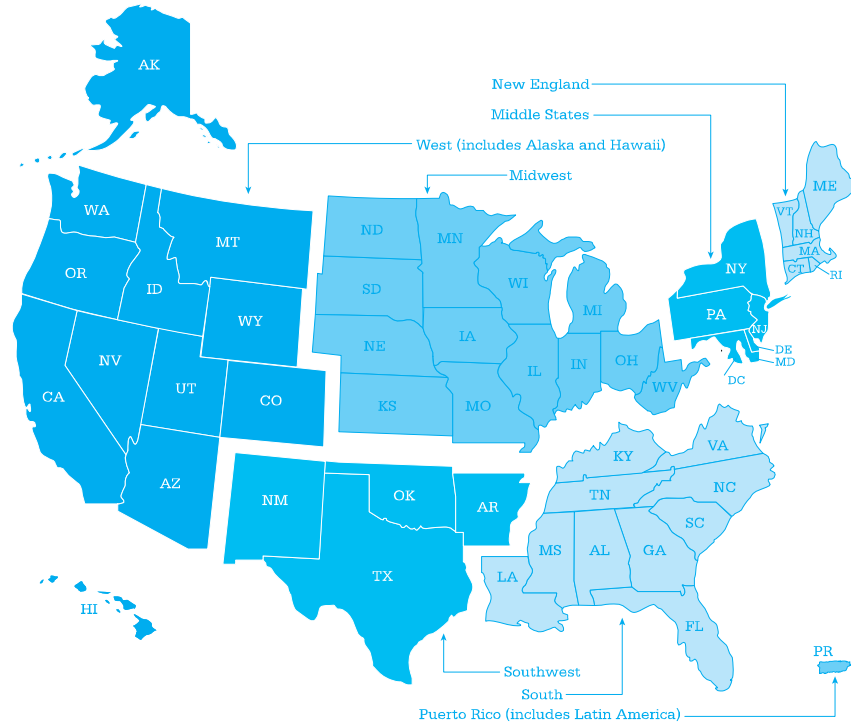
FEMALE - WRITING SKILLS

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		ARKANSAS	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	1,628	0.2	181	0.1	2	0.0
70-74	5,822	0.6	804	0.5	40	0.6
65-69	15,046	1.6	1,780	1.2	70	1.1
60-64	25,333	2.7	3,235	2.1	169	2.7
55-59	63,308	6.9	8,228	5.4	400	6.4
50-54	82,052	8.9	10,772	7.0	615	9.8
45-49	143,184	15.5	20,413	13.3	1,031	16.5
40-44	156,325	17.0	25,084	16.4	1,099	17.6
35-39	190,234	20.6	35,026	22.8	1,301	20.8
30-34	113,254	12.3	22,707	14.8	741	11.9
25-29	68,039	7.4	13,898	9.1	419	6.7
20-24	57,962	6.3	11,187	7.3	360	5.8
TOTAL	922,187		153,315		6,247	
Mean Score	41.3		39.7		41.4	
STD. DEV.	10.8		10.5		10.4	

TABLE 7: COLLEGE MAJOR

	TOTAL GROUP			SOUTHWEST			ARKANSAS		
	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %
Agriculture Sciences	1.4	1.2	1.6	2.1	1.7	2.5	2.2	2.4	1.9
Architecture	1.6	2.4	0.8	2.0	3.2	0.9	2.1	3.5	0.8
Area/Ethnic/Cultural Studies	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
Biological Sciences	5.1	4.0	6.1	4.2	3.3	5.1	3.9	2.9	4.8
Business Management	7.5	8.9	6.2	7.2	8.1	6.4	6.5	7.5	5.5
Communication & Journalism	1.5	1.1	1.8	1.3	0.9	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.6
Computer/Information Science	2.7	5.0	0.6	2.5	4.6	0.6	2.4	4.5	0.4
Education	2.8	0.8	4.6	2.8	0.8	4.6	4.2	1.5	6.6
Engineering	10.9	19.6	3.0	13.0	23.1	3.4	9.7	18.1	2.1
Engineering Technologies	1.8	3.4	0.4	1.8	3.3	0.4	1.6	3.0	0.4
English Language & Literature	1.0	0.4	1.6	0.8	0.3	1.2	1.0	0.3	1.7
Family/Consumer Sciences	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.8
Foreign Languages	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.5
Health Professions/Sciences	17.7	9.0	25.5	19.4	9.4	28.8	21.7	11.9	30.8
History	0.7	0.9	0.4	0.5	0.8	0.3	0.7	1.1	0.3
Legal Professions & Studies	2.1	1.7	2.5	1.9	1.5	2.3	2.1	1.5	2.6
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	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Military Technologies	1.0	1.7	0.4	1.1	1.7	0.4	1.2	2.0	0.4
Multi/Interdisciplinary	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.5
Natural Resources	0.5	0.7	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.2	0.9	1.6	0.3
Parks, Leisure & Fitness Studies	1.1	2.0	0.4	1.2	2.0	0.4	1.2	2.1	0.4
Personal & Culinary Services	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.5
Philosophy/Religious Studies	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.3
Physical Sciences	1.3	1.8	0.9	1.1	1.5	0.7	1.2	1.5	0.9
Psychology	3.5	1.4	5.3	3.2	1.4	4.8	3.4	1.5	5.2
Social Service Professions	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.5	0.2	0.7
Security/Protective Services	4.8	5.0	4.7	5.5	5.6	5.5	3.5	4.1	2.9
Social Sciences	1.4	1.0	1.8	1.1	0.8	1.4	1.0	0.8	1.1
Theology/Religious Vocations	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.2
Visual & Performing Arts	9.4	7.2	11.3	9.9	8.0	11.7	9.9	7.9	11.6
Other	3.7	3.9	3.6	3.9	4.0	3.8	4.4	4.3	4.4
Undecided	12.9	14.0	12.0	9.7	10.8	8.7	10.1	11.5	8.8
NUMBER RESPONDING	1,576,191			273,899			10,962		

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