

# PSAT/NMSQT®

2014-2015 COLLEGE-BOUND  
HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS

## SUMMARY REPORT

Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test

## MARYLAND

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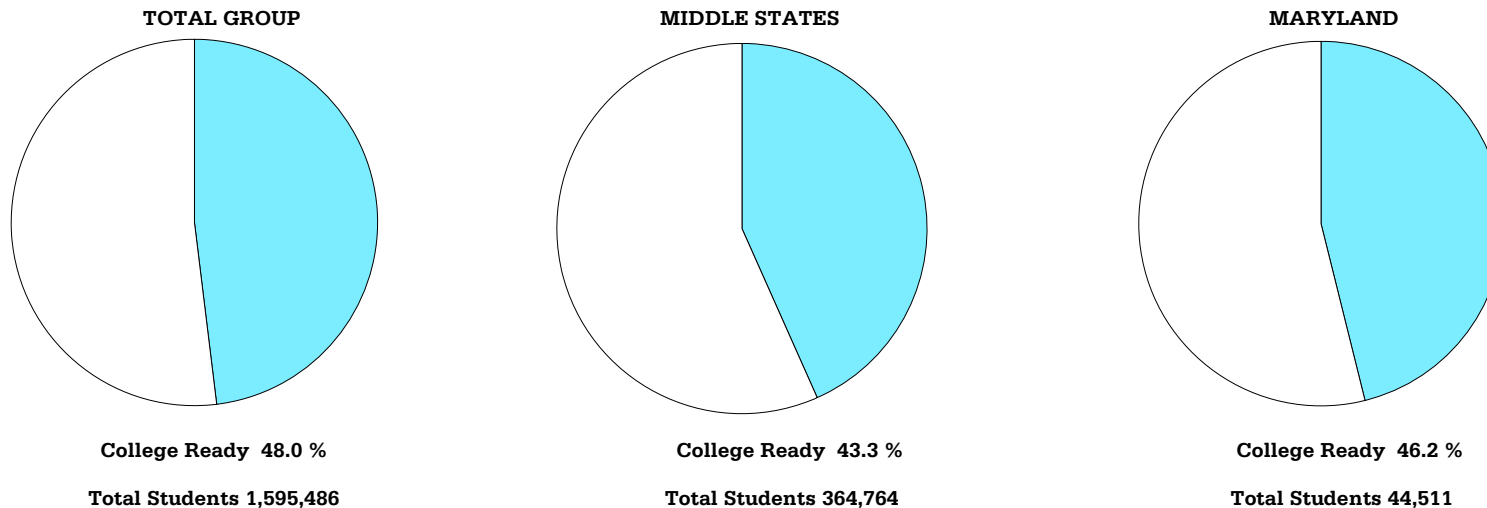


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**FIGURE 1: ON TRACK TO BE COLLEGE AND CAREER READY**

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 JUNIORS TAKING THE PSAT/NMSQT®**

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Male	750,929	47.2	176,407	48.5	21,565	48.6
Female	839,350	52.8	187,159	51.5	22,795	51.4
No Response	5,207		1,198		151	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,595,486</b>		<b>364,764</b>		<b>44,511</b>	

**TABLE 2: ETHNIC BACKGROUND**

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
American Indian or Alaska Native	12,145	0.8	1,742	0.5	259	0.6
Asian, Asian American, or Pacific Islander	144,275	9.5	31,008	9.1	3,689	8.7
Black or African American	181,712	12.0	55,262	16.1	12,244	28.8
Hispanic, Latino, or Latin American	311,728	20.5	49,708	14.5	3,025	7.1
White	811,645	53.5	189,536	55.4	21,646	50.9
Other	56,542	3.7	14,971	4.4	1,654	3.9
No Response	77,439		22,537		1,994	

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

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	1,374,684	86.2	304,538	83.5	36,802	82.7
No	220,802	13.8	60,226	16.5	7,709	17.3

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

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
A+ (97-100)	72,120	4.9	15,917	4.8	998	2.4
A (93-96)	324,984	21.9	65,665	19.7	6,655	16.3
A- (90-92)	316,047	21.3	69,040	20.7	8,077	19.7
B+ (87-89)	266,041	17.9	62,442	18.7	7,700	18.8
B (83-86)	242,019	16.3	54,628	16.4	7,782	19.0
B- (80-82)	119,934	8.1	28,749	8.6	3,969	9.7
C+ (77-79)	78,252	5.3	19,531	5.9	2,992	7.3
C (73-76)	44,148	3.0	10,718	3.2	1,784	4.4
C- (70-72)	14,436	1.0	4,235	1.3	626	1.5
D+ (67-69)	4,553	0.3	1,626	0.5	194	0.5
D (65-66)	2,330	0.2	704	0.2	98	0.2
E or F (Below 65)	1,068	0.1	286	0.1	28	0.1
No Response	109,554		31,223		3,608	

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

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2015	10,077	0.6	2,223	0.6	306	0.7
2016	1,529,666	97.6	347,314	97.5	42,416	97.2
2017	13,401	0.9	3,098	0.9	401	0.9
After 2017	4,382	0.3	1,000	0.3	138	0.3
Not Planning College	9,240	0.6	2,516	0.7	388	0.9
No Response	28,720		8,613		862	

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

	<b>TOTAL GROUP</b>		<b>MIDDLE STATES</b>		<b>MARYLAND</b>	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	12,269	0.8	2,435	0.7	361	0.8
70-74	40,435	2.5	7,873	2.2	1,172	2.6
65-69	50,059	3.1	9,749	2.7	1,463	3.3
60-64	132,960	8.3	25,614	7.0	3,890	8.7
55-59	151,282	9.5	31,577	8.7	4,013	9.0
50-54	262,519	16.5	55,789	15.3	7,086	15.9
45-49	241,246	15.1	55,700	15.3	6,064	13.6
40-44	277,848	17.4	65,138	17.9	7,394	16.6
35-39	205,506	12.9	50,507	13.8	5,556	12.5
30-34	123,731	7.8	32,244	8.8	3,766	8.5
25-29	65,274	4.1	18,528	5.1	2,446	5.5
20-24	32,357	2.0	9,610	2.6	1,300	2.9
TOTAL	1,595,486		364,764		44,511	
Mean Score	46.9		45.7		46.5	
STD. DEV.	11.3		11.4		12.0	

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**MATHEMATICS**

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	27,200	1.7	5,902	1.6	699	1.6
70-74	39,427	2.5	8,726	2.4	1,026	2.3
65-69	99,827	6.3	20,742	5.7	2,830	6.4
60-64	117,266	7.3	24,380	6.7	3,068	6.9
55-59	190,357	11.9	39,461	10.8	5,010	11.3
50-54	238,624	15.0	51,130	14.0	5,952	13.4
45-49	300,608	18.8	66,496	18.2	7,486	16.8
40-44	206,440	12.9	47,885	13.1	5,517	12.4
35-39	205,350	12.9	51,458	14.1	6,198	13.9
30-34	92,785	5.8	25,244	6.9	3,370	7.6
25-29	52,906	3.3	15,589	4.3	2,155	4.8
20-24	24,696	1.5	7,751	2.1	1,200	2.7
TOTAL	1,595,486		364,764		44,511	
Mean Score	48.6		47.5		47.4	
STD. DEV.	11.8		12.1		12.6	

**WRITING SKILLS**

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	14,474	0.9	3,315	0.9	416	0.9
70-74	30,945	1.9	6,491	1.8	1,115	2.5
65-69	58,912	3.7	12,200	3.3	1,636	3.7
60-64	80,202	5.0	15,778	4.3	2,329	5.2
55-59	164,768	10.3	32,389	8.9	4,643	10.4
50-54	180,999	11.3	35,515	9.7	4,695	10.5
45-49	277,129	17.4	59,824	16.4	7,061	15.9
40-44	258,258	16.2	59,485	16.3	6,526	14.7
35-39	258,214	16.2	63,361	17.4	6,940	15.6
30-34	133,110	8.3	35,374	9.7	3,922	8.8
25-29	75,906	4.8	21,759	6.0	2,641	5.9
20-24	62,569	3.9	19,273	5.3	2,587	5.8
TOTAL	1,595,486		364,764		44,511	
Mean Score	45.3		44.0		44.8	
STD. DEV.	11.8		12.1		12.6	

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

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	6,317	0.8	1,243	0.7	180	0.8
70-74	21,196	2.8	4,099	2.3	608	2.8
65-69	25,304	3.4	4,893	2.8	707	3.3
60-64	63,762	8.5	12,387	7.0	1,840	8.5
55-59	69,523	9.3	14,886	8.4	1,845	8.6
50-54	117,103	15.6	25,588	14.5	3,196	14.8
45-49	107,379	14.3	25,329	14.4	2,766	12.8
40-44	125,592	16.7	30,415	17.2	3,500	16.2
35-39	96,906	12.9	24,560	13.9	2,774	12.9
30-34	63,366	8.4	17,016	9.6	2,000	9.3
25-29	35,911	4.8	10,450	5.9	1,375	6.4
20-24	18,570	2.5	5,541	3.1	774	3.6
TOTAL	750,929		176,407		21,565	
Mean Score	46.7		45.4		45.9	
STD. DEV.	11.8		11.8		12.4	

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**MALE - MATHEMATICS**

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	17,909	2.4	3,840	2.2	436	2.0
70-74	24,544	3.3	5,417	3.1	638	3.0
65-69	58,730	7.8	12,364	7.0	1,701	7.9
60-64	63,734	8.5	13,504	7.7	1,668	7.7
55-59	95,622	12.7	20,223	11.5	2,546	11.8
50-54	110,359	14.7	24,313	13.8	2,774	12.9
45-49	129,882	17.3	29,907	17.0	3,344	15.5
40-44	85,201	11.3	20,640	11.7	2,409	11.2
35-39	85,862	11.4	22,670	12.9	2,748	12.7
30-34	41,404	5.5	11,790	6.7	1,577	7.3
25-29	25,099	3.3	7,694	4.4	1,092	5.1
20-24	12,583	1.7	4,045	2.3	632	2.9
TOTAL	750,929		176,407		21,565	
Mean Score	49.8		48.5		48.3	
STD. DEV.	12.4		12.8		13.2	

**MALE - WRITING SKILLS**

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	6,479	0.9	1,470	0.8	175	0.8
70-74	13,265	1.8	2,759	1.6	467	2.2
65-69	25,009	3.3	5,149	2.9	654	3.0
60-64	34,324	4.6	6,906	3.9	1,038	4.8
55-59	71,197	9.5	14,173	8.0	2,010	9.3
50-54	79,747	10.6	16,027	9.1	2,199	10.2
45-49	125,954	16.8	27,493	15.6	3,268	15.2
40-44	120,231	16.0	28,230	16.0	3,095	14.4
35-39	125,467	16.7	31,439	17.8	3,424	15.9
30-34	69,329	9.2	18,665	10.6	2,091	9.7
25-29	42,639	5.7	12,501	7.1	1,540	7.1
20-24	37,288	5.0	11,595	6.6	1,604	7.4
TOTAL	750,929		176,407		21,565	
Mean Score	44.4		42.9		43.6	
STD. DEV.	12.0		12.1		12.7	



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

	TOTAL GROUP		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	5,939	0.7	1,192	0.6	181	0.8
70-74	19,179	2.3	3,762	2.0	562	2.5
65-69	24,680	2.9	4,844	2.6	755	3.3
60-64	68,995	8.2	13,191	7.0	2,048	9.0
55-59	81,466	9.7	16,645	8.9	2,157	9.5
50-54	144,823	17.3	30,079	16.1	3,875	17.0
45-49	133,262	15.9	30,234	16.2	3,279	14.4
40-44	151,249	18.0	34,508	18.4	3,878	17.0
35-39	107,685	12.8	25,725	13.7	2,753	12.1
30-34	59,661	7.1	15,056	8.0	1,740	7.6
25-29	28,896	3.4	7,938	4.2	1,053	4.6
20-24	13,515	1.6	3,985	2.1	514	2.3
TOTAL	839,350		187,159		22,795	
Mean Score	47.2		46.1		47.0	
STD. DEV.	10.9		11.0		11.5	

**FEMALE - MATHEMATICS**

	<b>TOTAL GROUP</b>		<b>MIDDLE STATES</b>		<b>MARYLAND</b>	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	9,262	1.1	2,055	1.1	262	1.1
70-74	14,848	1.8	3,304	1.8	387	1.7
65-69	40,965	4.9	8,353	4.5	1,129	5.0
60-64	53,359	6.4	10,840	5.8	1,396	6.1
55-59	94,379	11.2	19,166	10.2	2,459	10.8
50-54	127,719	15.2	26,708	14.3	3,158	13.9
45-49	169,815	20.2	36,411	19.5	4,124	18.1
40-44	120,438	14.3	27,075	14.5	3,089	13.6
35-39	118,531	14.1	28,569	15.3	3,419	15.0
30-34	50,749	6.0	13,279	7.1	1,759	7.7
25-29	27,391	3.3	7,769	4.2	1,053	4.6
20-24	11,894	1.4	3,630	1.9	560	2.5
TOTAL	839,350		187,159		22,795	
Mean Score	47.6		46.6		46.6	
STD. DEV.	11.2		11.5		11.9	

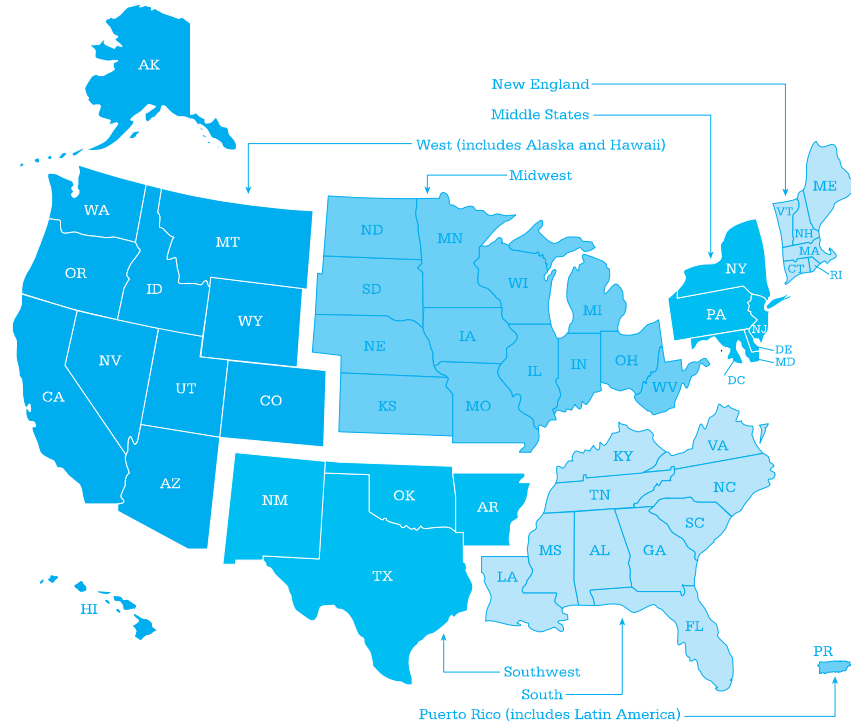
**FEMALE - WRITING SKILLS**

	<b>TOTAL GROUP</b>		<b>MIDDLE STATES</b>		<b>MARYLAND</b>	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	7,982	1.0	1,842	1.0	241	1.1
70-74	17,655	2.1	3,727	2.0	648	2.8
65-69	33,832	4.0	7,040	3.8	982	4.3
60-64	45,764	5.5	8,859	4.7	1,288	5.7
55-59	93,261	11.1	18,155	9.7	2,623	11.5
50-54	100,894	12.0	19,432	10.4	2,491	10.9
45-49	150,475	17.9	32,192	17.2	3,771	16.5
40-44	137,187	16.3	31,085	16.6	3,417	15.0
35-39	131,705	15.7	31,702	16.9	3,496	15.3
30-34	63,051	7.5	16,505	8.8	1,794	7.9
25-29	32,766	3.9	9,100	4.9	1,083	4.8
20-24	24,778	3.0	7,520	4.0	961	4.2
TOTAL	839,350		187,159		22,795	
Mean Score	46.2		45.0		46.0	
STD. DEV.	11.6		11.9		12.4	

**TABLE 7: COLLEGE MAJOR**

	TOTAL GROUP			MIDDLE STATES			MARYLAND		
	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %
Agriculture Sciences	1.1	1.0	1.2	0.8	0.6	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.9
Architecture	1.3	1.9	0.8	1.2	1.8	0.7	1.0	1.5	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	6.0	4.4	7.3
Business Management	9.7	12.0	7.7	10.5	13.1	8.2	9.7	12.4	7.2
Communication & Journalism	1.8	1.4	2.3	2.1	1.6	2.5	1.9	1.4	2.4
Computer/Information Science	2.9	5.4	0.7	3.1	5.7	0.8	4.2	7.5	1.2
Education	3.2	1.0	5.1	3.4	1.1	5.5	3.4	0.9	5.8
Engineering	11.3	20.0	3.9	9.8	17.1	3.3	11.4	19.2	4.4
Engineering Technologies	1.3	2.3	0.3	1.3	2.5	0.3	1.3	2.4	0.3
English Language & Literature	1.1	0.5	1.5	1.1	0.5	1.6	1.1	0.6	1.5
Family/Consumer Sciences	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.5
Foreign Languages	0.5	0.3	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.7
Health Professions/Sciences	19.2	10.3	27.0	16.8	8.9	23.8	15.7	7.5	23.0
History	0.7	0.9	0.4	0.8	1.1	0.5	0.7	0.9	0.5
Legal Professions & Studies	2.0	1.7	2.2	1.9	1.6	2.2	1.9	1.5	2.2
Liberal Arts & Humanities	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.5
Mathematics & Statistics	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.8	1.0	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.5
Military Technologies	0.6	1.0	0.2	0.6	1.0	0.2	0.7	1.2	0.3
Multi/Interdisciplinary	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.9
Natural Resources	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.4
Parks, Leisure & Fitness Studies	0.8	1.4	0.3	0.8	1.5	0.2	0.9	1.6	0.3
Personal & Culinary Services	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.5
Philosophy/Religious Studies	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2
Physical Sciences	1.4	1.9	1.0	1.4	1.8	1.0	1.4	1.8	1.1
Psychology	4.0	1.8	5.9	4.1	1.8	6.3	4.2	2.0	6.2
Social Service Professions	0.5	0.1	0.8	0.4	0.1	0.7	0.4	0.1	0.7
Security/Protective Services	4.2	4.5	3.9	4.9	5.5	4.5	4.4	4.7	4.0
Social Sciences	2.0	1.6	2.4	2.0	1.6	2.4	2.3	1.7	2.8
Theology/Religious Vocations	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
Visual & Performing Arts	8.1	6.8	9.2	7.8	6.3	9.2	8.4	7.0	9.7
Other	2.7	2.9	2.5	3.1	3.3	3.0	3.0	3.1	2.8
Undecided	10.9	11.8	10.2	12.8	13.9	11.8	11.2	12.2	10.2
NUMBER RESPONDING	1,458,790			318,844			39,890		

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