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HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS

SUMMARY REPORT

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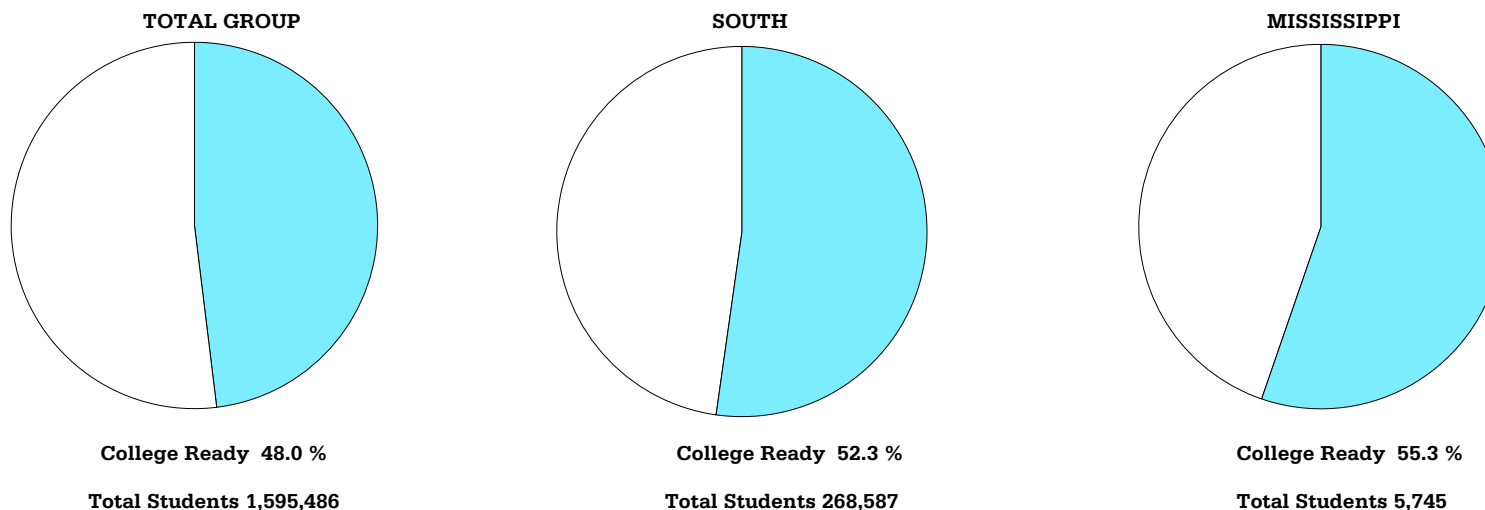


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FIGURE 1: ON TRACK TO BE COLLEGE AND CAREER READY

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 JUNIORS TAKING THE PSAT/NMSQT®

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		MISSISSIPPI	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Male	750,929	47.2	124,561	46.5	2,455	42.8
Female	839,350	52.8	143,228	53.5	3,276	57.2
No Response	5,207		798		14	
TOTAL	1,595,486		268,587		5,745	

TABLE 2: ETHNIC BACKGROUND

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		MISSISSIPPI	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
American Indian or Alaska Native	12,145	0.8	1,522	0.6	17	0.3
Asian, Asian American, or Pacific Islander	144,275	9.5	16,833	6.5	175	3.1
Black or African American	181,712	12.0	49,563	19.1	1,331	23.6
Hispanic, Latino, or Latin American	311,728	20.5	32,678	12.6	128	2.3
White	811,645	53.5	149,006	57.5	3,904	69.1
Other	56,542	3.7	9,408	3.6	95	1.7
No Response	77,439		9,577		95	

TABLE 3: PARTICIPATING IN STUDENT SEARCH SERVICE®

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		MISSISSIPPI	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	1,374,684	86.2	237,094	88.3	5,348	93.1
No	220,802	13.8	31,493	11.7	397	6.9

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TABLE 4: SELF-REPORTED GRADE AVERAGE

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		MISSISSIPPI	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
A+ (97-100)	72,120	4.9	16,138	6.4	801	14.3
A (93-96)	324,984	21.9	64,387	25.4	1,879	33.5
A- (90-92)	316,047	21.3	54,058	21.3	1,169	20.9
B+ (87-89)	266,041	17.9	43,550	17.2	732	13.1
B (83-86)	242,019	16.3	37,969	15.0	564	10.1
B- (80-82)	119,934	8.1	17,677	7.0	233	4.2
C+ (77-79)	78,252	5.3	11,203	4.4	130	2.3
C (73-76)	44,148	3.0	6,123	2.4	67	1.2
C- (70-72)	14,436	1.0	1,745	0.7	22	0.4
D+ (67-69)	4,553	0.3	450	0.2	4	0.1
D (65-66)	2,330	0.2	220	0.1	2	0.0
E or F (Below 65)	1,068	0.1	74	0.0	1	0.0
No Response	109,554		14,993		141	

TABLE 5: YEAR COMPLETING HIGH SCHOOL AND ENTERING COLLEGE

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		MISSISSIPPI	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2015	10,077	0.6	1,655	0.6	39	0.7
2016	1,529,666	97.6	259,675	97.9	5,652	98.8
2017	13,401	0.9	2,141	0.8	18	0.3
After 2017	4,382	0.3	508	0.2	4	0.1
Not Planning College	9,240	0.6	1,286	0.5	6	0.1
No Response	28,720		3,322		26	

TABLE 6: PSAT/NMSQT® SCORES - CRITICAL READING

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		MISSISSIPPI	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	12,269	0.8	2,175	0.8	44	0.8
70-74	40,435	2.5	7,617	2.8	152	2.6
65-69	50,059	3.1	9,735	3.6	189	3.3
60-64	132,960	8.3	26,902	10.0	607	10.6
55-59	151,282	9.5	28,442	10.6	583	10.1
50-54	262,519	16.5	48,372	18.0	1,062	18.5
45-49	241,246	15.1	40,755	15.2	960	16.7
40-44	277,848	17.4	45,037	16.8	1,080	18.8
35-39	205,506	12.9	30,143	11.2	632	11.0
30-34	123,731	7.8	16,808	6.3	272	4.7
25-29	65,274	4.1	8,586	3.2	115	2.0
20-24	32,357	2.0	4,015	1.5	49	0.9
TOTAL	1,595,486		268,587		5,745	
Mean Score	46.9		48.3		48.8	
STD. DEV.	11.3		11.1		10.4	

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MATHEMATICS

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		MISSISSIPPI	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	27,200	1.7	3,810	1.4	53	0.9
70-74	39,427	2.5	6,117	2.3	118	2.1
65-69	99,827	6.3	17,566	6.5	343	6.0
60-64	117,266	7.3	20,320	7.6	406	7.1
55-59	190,357	11.9	34,244	12.7	719	12.5
50-54	238,624	15.0	41,659	15.5	934	16.3
45-49	300,608	18.8	52,086	19.4	1,220	21.2
40-44	206,440	12.9	34,302	12.8	819	14.3
35-39	205,350	12.9	32,646	12.2	705	12.3
30-34	92,785	5.8	14,160	5.3	276	4.8
25-29	52,906	3.3	7,963	3.0	114	2.0
20-24	24,696	1.5	3,714	1.4	38	0.7
TOTAL	1,595,486		268,587		5,745	
Mean Score	48.6		49.0		48.9	
STD. DEV.	11.8		11.6		10.7	

WRITING SKILLS

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		MISSISSIPPI	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	14,474	0.9	2,389	0.9	67	1.2
70-74	30,945	1.9	6,621	2.5	244	4.2
65-69	58,912	3.7	11,274	4.2	370	6.4
60-64	80,202	5.0	16,323	6.1	439	7.6
55-59	164,768	10.3	31,721	11.8	791	13.8
50-54	180,999	11.3	33,025	12.3	740	12.9
45-49	277,129	17.4	47,745	17.8	994	17.3
40-44	258,258	16.2	41,704	15.5	886	15.4
35-39	258,214	16.2	39,723	14.8	746	13.0
30-34	133,110	8.3	19,114	7.1	290	5.0
25-29	75,906	4.8	10,333	3.8	98	1.7
20-24	62,569	3.9	8,615	3.2	80	1.4
TOTAL	1,595,486		268,587		5,745	
Mean Score	45.3		46.6		49.5	
STD. DEV.	11.8		11.8		11.6	

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

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		MISSISSIPPI	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	6,317	0.8	1,139	0.9	26	1.1
70-74	21,196	2.8	4,056	3.3	79	3.2
65-69	25,304	3.4	4,887	3.9	88	3.6
60-64	63,762	8.5	12,677	10.2	288	11.7
55-59	69,523	9.3	12,742	10.2	243	9.9
50-54	117,103	15.6	21,048	16.9	436	17.8
45-49	107,379	14.3	17,756	14.3	369	15.0
40-44	125,592	16.7	20,050	16.1	422	17.2
35-39	96,906	12.9	14,250	11.4	272	11.1
30-34	63,366	8.4	8,762	7.0	139	5.7
25-29	35,911	4.8	4,820	3.9	68	2.8
20-24	18,570	2.5	2,374	1.9	25	1.0
TOTAL	750,929		124,561		2,455	
Mean Score	46.7		48.1		49.0	
STD. DEV.	11.8		11.7		11.1	

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MALE - MATHEMATICS

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		MISSISSIPPI	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	17,909	2.4	2,598	2.1	34	1.4
70-74	24,544	3.3	3,866	3.1	74	3.0
65-69	58,730	7.8	10,419	8.4	202	8.2
60-64	63,734	8.5	10,947	8.8	221	9.0
55-59	95,622	12.7	16,827	13.5	327	13.3
50-54	110,359	14.7	18,739	15.0	375	15.3
45-49	129,882	17.3	21,836	17.5	454	18.5
40-44	85,201	11.3	13,855	11.1	312	12.7
35-39	85,862	11.4	13,425	10.8	275	11.2
30-34	41,404	5.5	6,322	5.1	113	4.6
25-29	25,099	3.3	3,782	3.0	48	2.0
20-24	12,583	1.7	1,945	1.6	20	0.8
TOTAL	750,929		124,561		2,455	
Mean Score	49.8		50.2		50.3	
STD. DEV.	12.4		12.2		11.4	

MALE - WRITING SKILLS

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		MISSISSIPPI	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	6,479	0.9	1,036	0.8	28	1.1
70-74	13,265	1.8	2,766	2.2	97	4.0
65-69	25,009	3.3	4,680	3.8	132	5.4
60-64	34,324	4.6	6,946	5.6	169	6.9
55-59	71,197	9.5	13,658	11.0	335	13.6
50-54	79,747	10.6	14,159	11.4	298	12.1
45-49	125,954	16.8	21,431	17.2	425	17.3
40-44	120,231	16.0	19,282	15.5	361	14.7
35-39	125,467	16.7	19,345	15.5	338	13.8
30-34	69,329	9.2	10,113	8.1	164	6.7
25-29	42,639	5.7	5,838	4.7	54	2.2
20-24	37,288	5.0	5,307	4.3	54	2.2
TOTAL	750,929		124,561		2,455	
Mean Score	44.4		45.6		48.4	
STD. DEV.	12.0		12.0		11.9	

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

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		MISSISSIPPI	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	5,939	0.7	1,034	0.7	18	0.5
70-74	19,179	2.3	3,547	2.5	73	2.2
65-69	24,680	2.9	4,833	3.4	100	3.1
60-64	68,995	8.2	14,199	9.9	318	9.7
55-59	81,466	9.7	15,635	10.9	339	10.3
50-54	144,823	17.3	27,223	19.0	624	19.0
45-49	133,262	15.9	22,892	16.0	586	17.9
40-44	151,249	18.0	24,831	17.3	656	20.0
35-39	107,685	12.8	15,754	11.0	359	11.0
30-34	59,661	7.1	7,953	5.6	132	4.0
25-29	28,896	3.4	3,712	2.6	47	1.4
20-24	13,515	1.6	1,615	1.1	24	0.7
TOTAL	839,350		143,228		3,276	
Mean Score	47.2		48.5		48.7	
STD. DEV.	10.9		10.6		9.8	

FEMALE - MATHEMATICS

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		MISSISSIPPI	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	9,262	1.1	1,212	0.8	19	0.6
70-74	14,848	1.8	2,243	1.6	44	1.3
65-69	40,965	4.9	7,128	5.0	139	4.2
60-64	53,359	6.4	9,340	6.5	184	5.6
55-59	94,379	11.2	17,360	12.1	392	12.0
50-54	127,719	15.2	22,828	15.9	558	17.0
45-49	169,815	20.2	30,084	21.0	764	23.3
40-44	120,438	14.3	20,333	14.2	501	15.3
35-39	118,531	14.1	19,076	13.3	429	13.1
30-34	50,749	6.0	7,753	5.4	163	5.0
25-29	27,391	3.3	4,124	2.9	65	2.0
20-24	11,894	1.4	1,747	1.2	18	0.5
TOTAL	839,350		143,228		3,276	
Mean Score	47.6		47.9		47.9	
STD. DEV.	11.2		10.9		10.0	

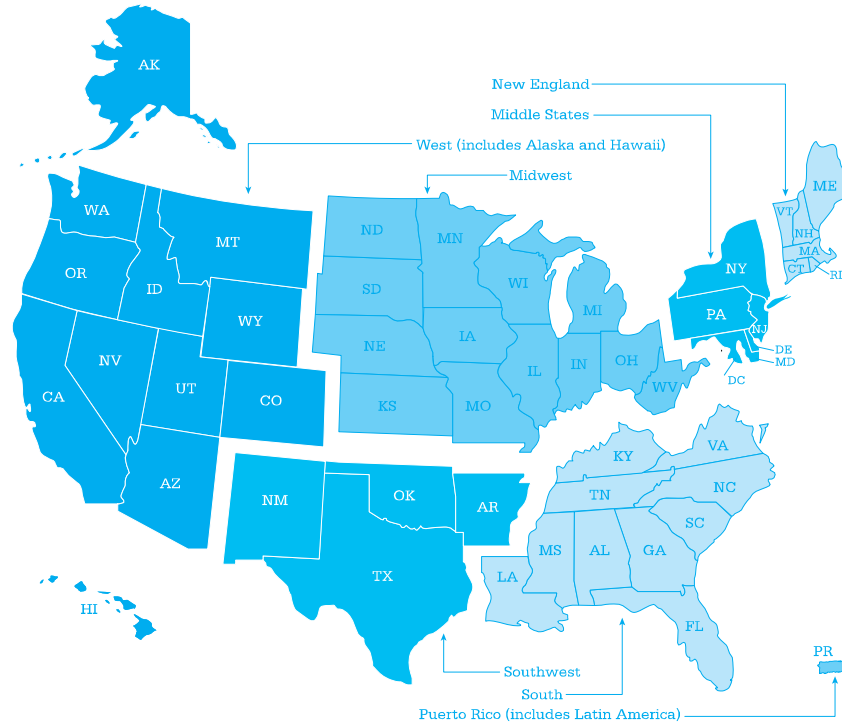
FEMALE - WRITING SKILLS

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		MISSISSIPPI	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	7,982	1.0	1,349	0.9	39	1.2
70-74	17,655	2.1	3,850	2.7	147	4.5
65-69	33,832	4.0	6,582	4.6	237	7.2
60-64	45,764	5.5	9,350	6.5	269	8.2
55-59	93,261	11.1	18,003	12.6	454	13.9
50-54	100,894	12.0	18,798	13.1	439	13.4
45-49	150,475	17.9	26,202	18.3	566	17.3
40-44	137,187	16.3	22,292	15.6	524	16.0
35-39	131,705	15.7	20,226	14.1	407	12.4
30-34	63,051	7.5	8,899	6.2	125	3.8
25-29	32,766	3.9	4,435	3.1	43	1.3
20-24	24,778	3.0	3,242	2.3	26	0.8
TOTAL	839,350		143,228		3,276	
Mean Score	46.2		47.6		50.3	
STD. DEV.	11.6		11.5		11.2	

TABLE 7: COLLEGE MAJOR

	TOTAL GROUP			SOUTH			MISSISSIPPI		
	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %
Agriculture Sciences	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.7	3.1	0.7
Architecture	1.3	1.9	0.8	1.2	1.8	0.7	1.2	1.7	0.8
Area/Ethnic/Cultural Studies	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Biological Sciences	5.5	4.3	6.5	5.7	4.5	6.7	5.4	4.1	6.3
Business Management	9.7	12.0	7.7	9.2	11.6	7.2	6.5	7.2	5.9
Communication & Journalism	1.8	1.4	2.3	2.0	1.4	2.5	1.8	1.4	2.1
Computer/Information Science	2.9	5.4	0.7	2.9	5.4	0.8	1.7	3.4	0.4
Education	3.2	1.0	5.1	2.9	0.8	4.7	3.2	0.8	5.0
Engineering	11.3	20.0	3.9	11.4	20.4	3.8	12.2	23.8	3.7
Engineering Technologies	1.3	2.3	0.3	1.3	2.3	0.3	0.9	1.8	0.3
English Language & Literature	1.1	0.5	1.5	1.0	0.5	1.4	1.1	0.6	1.5
Family/Consumer Sciences	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.2
Foreign Languages	0.5	0.3	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.5
Health Professions/Sciences	19.2	10.3	27.0	22.0	12.1	30.4	31.3	19.3	40.1
History	0.7	0.9	0.4	0.7	1.0	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.2
Legal Professions & Studies	2.0	1.7	2.2	2.3	2.1	2.6	2.5	1.9	2.9
Liberal Arts & Humanities	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.4
Mathematics & Statistics	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4
Military Technologies	0.6	1.0	0.2	0.7	1.2	0.3	0.5	0.9	0.2
Multi/Interdisciplinary	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.9	0.6	0.6	0.6
Natural Resources	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.9	0.4	0.8	1.5	0.2
Parks, Leisure & Fitness Studies	0.8	1.4	0.3	0.9	1.7	0.3	0.6	1.2	0.1
Personal & Culinary Services	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2
Philosophy/Religious Studies	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.2
Physical Sciences	1.4	1.9	1.0	1.3	1.8	0.9	1.1	1.5	0.8
Psychology	4.0	1.8	5.9	4.0	1.9	5.7	3.5	1.5	5.0
Social Service Professions	0.5	0.1	0.8	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.3	0.2	0.4
Security/Protective Services	4.2	4.5	3.9	3.5	3.6	3.4	2.5	2.5	2.6
Social Sciences	2.0	1.6	2.4	2.1	1.7	2.4	1.4	1.2	1.6
Theology/Religious Vocations	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1
Visual & Performing Arts	8.1	6.8	9.2	8.5	7.1	9.6	6.2	5.6	6.7
Other	2.7	2.9	2.5	2.3	2.4	2.3	1.7	1.9	1.6
Undecided	10.9	11.8	10.2	8.7	9.6	7.9	8.9	9.9	8.1
NUMBER RESPONDING	2,458,790			252,521			5,587		

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