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This report presents SAT and ACT examination participation and performance data for graduating seniors in Texas and the United States in public and nonpublic schools combined. College admissions examination results are used by some colleges and universities to make admissions decisions and to place students in appropriate freshman courses. In Texas, moreover, results for public school students are used in the public school accountability system in evaluating the performance of districts and campuses in the assignment of rating labels and in awarding distinction designations, which recognize school districts and campuses for outstanding achievement in specified academic areas (Texas Education Agency [TEA], 2024; Texas Education Code [TEC] Chapter 39, Subchapter G, 2024, as of July 9, 2024). In addition, results are used in determining eligibility for student exemptions from Texas Success Initiative assessment requirements, in substituting for certain end-of-course assessments to meet graduation requirements, and in awarding College, Career, and Military Readiness Outcomes Bonuses to districts (Title 19 of the Texas Administrative Code §101.4002, 2024, amended to be effective August 9, 2022; TEC §§39.025, 2024, amended to be effective June 9, 2023 and 48.110, 2024, amended to be effective September 1, 2021).

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the College Board offered the SAT in schools in fall 2020 to replace canceled SAT school day administrations in spring 2020. The College Board also offered a new weekend SAT administration in September (College Board, 2020). ACT, Inc., added three weekend ACT administrations to its fall 2020 testing schedule, increased school-day testing, and instituted pop-up testing sites (ACT, Inc., 2021). In the 2021-22 and 2022-23 school years, the College Board offered the same number of weekend and school-day testing dates as they did pre-pandemic in 2018-19. In the 2022-23 school year, ACT, Inc., offered the same number of weekend administrations, and one more school day testing administration, as they did pre-pandemic in 2018-19. For additional information about SAT and ACT testing during the COVID-19 pandemic, see *College Admissions Testing General Information, Class of 2023* (TEA, forthcoming-a).

Results presented in this report were obtained, when available, from summary reports released annually by the College Board and by ACT, Inc., to TEA. The results are based only on the most recent examinations taken by students identified by the College Board and ACT, Inc., as expecting to graduate

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in the reporting year. SAT results for the United States include international students (L. Sveda, personal communication, June 23, 2023). In March 2016, the College Board began administering a redesigned version of the SAT. Results reported by the College Board and presented in this report for class of 2016 graduates include only students who took the previous version of the SAT. In Texas, only a small percentage of class of 2016 graduating seniors took the redesigned SAT. Beginning with class of 2017 graduates, results reported by the College Board and presented in this report include only students who took the redesigned SAT. The majority of graduates in Texas since the class of 2017 have taken the redesigned SAT.

For additional information about SAT and ACT examinations and results reported by the TEA Division of Research and Analysis, including definitions of terms and explanations of calculations, please see *College Admissions Testing General Information, Class of 2023* (TEA, forthcoming-a) and *College Admissions Testing Glossary of Terms, Class of 2023* (TEA, forthcoming-b). SAT and ACT participation and performance results for Texas public schools are presented in the report *College Admissions Testing Results for Graduating Seniors in Texas Public Schools, Class of 2023* (TEA, forthcoming-c).

SAT and ACT Participation in Texas and the United States

- In Texas, 278,151 public and nonpublic high school graduates in the class of 2023 took the SAT, and 88,670 took the ACT (Table 1 on this page and Table 2 on page 4). Nationally, 1,913,742 graduates took the SAT, and 1,386,335 took the ACT.

- SAT examinees in Texas made up 14.5 percent of all examinees in the United States. ACT examinees in Texas made up 6.4 percent of all ACT examinees in the United States.

- In Texas, 71 percent of public and nonpublic high school graduates in the class of 2023 took the SAT, and 23 percent took the ACT. Across the United States, 50 percent of graduates took the SAT, and 37 percent took the ACT.

- Between the classes of 2022 and 2023, SAT participation rates increased by 7 percentage points in Texas and by 4 percentage points in the United States. ACT participation rates increased by 1 percentage point each in Texas and in the United States.

Table 1
SAT Participation, Texas and the United States, Class of 2013 Through Class of 2023

Class	Texas examinees	U.S. examinees	Texas participation rate (%)	U.S. participation rate (%)
2013	172,870	1,660,047	59	50
2014	179,036	1,672,395	62	52
2015	193,768	1,698,521	64	52
2016	196,028	1,637,589	64	50
2017	204,409	1,715,481	62	51
2018	226,374	2,136,539	66	62
2019	236,665	2,220,087	68	64
2020	252,019	2,198,460	73	65
2021	225,685	1,509,133	59	40
2022	243,410	1,737,678	64	46
2023	278,151	1,913,742	71	50

Source. Primary data from College Board (see, e.g., College Board, 2023a, 2023b) and Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) (see, e.g., WICHE, 2020).

Note. Data are based on public and nonpublic school examinees. Results for the class of 2016 include data only for students who took the SAT before March 2016. Beginning with the class of 2017, results include data only for students who took the redesigned SAT.

Table 2
ACT Participation, Texas and the United States, Class of 2013 Through Class of 2023

Class	Texas examinees	U.S. examinees	Texas participation rate (%)	U.S. participation rate (%)
2013	109,841	1,799,243	37	54
2014	116,547	1,845,787	40	57
2015	124,764	1,924,436	41	59
2016	142,877	2,090,342	46	64
2017	146,608	2,030,038	45	60
2018	141,253	1,914,817	41	55
2019	136,061	1,782,820	39	52
2020	131,292	1,670,497	38	49
2021	88,948	1,295,349	23	35
2022	84,822	1,349,644	22	36
2023	88,670	1,386,335	23	37

Source. Primary data from ACT, Inc. (see, e.g., ACT, Inc., n.d.-a) and Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) (see, e.g., WICHE, 2020).

Note. Data are based on public and nonpublic school examinees.

SAT and ACT Performance in Texas and the United States

- The average SAT total score for Texas public and nonpublic high school examinees in the class of 2023 was 978, down 23 points from the average for the class of 2022 (Table 3 on page 6). Nationally, the average SAT total score for the class of 2023 was 1028, down 22 points from the average for the class of 2022. The average evidence-based reading and writing and mathematics scores for examinees in the class of 2023 were lower in Texas than in the nation.

- The average ACT composite score for Texas public and nonpublic high school examinees in the class of 2023 was 19.3, down 0.5 points from the average for the class of 2022 (Table 4 on page 9). Nationally, the average composite score for the class of 2023 was 19.5, down 0.3 points from the average for the class of 2022. The average ACT English, reading, and science scores for examinees in the class of 2023 were lower in Texas than in the nation. The average ACT mathematics score for examinees in the class of 2023 was higher in Texas than in the nation.

Table 3
SAT Performance, by Race/Ethnicity and Gender, Texas and the United States, Class of 2017 Through Class of 2023

Group	Average Texas ERW[a] score	Average U.S. ERW score	Average Texas math score	Average U.S. math score	Average Texas total score	Average U.S. total score
2017						
African American	473	479	462	462	936	941
American Indian	495	486	490	477	985	963
Asian	575	569	602	612	1177	1181
Hispanic	484	500	481	489	965	990
Pacific Islander	515	498	510	488	1025	986
White	563	565	551	553	1114	1118
Multiracial	563	560	549	544	1112	1103
Female	514	534	499	516	1013	1050
Male	511	532	516	538	1028	1070
All examinees	513	533	507	527	1020	1060
2018						
African American	478	483	463	463	942	946
American Indian	487	480	480	469	967	949
Asian	593	588	622	635	1215	1223
Hispanic	490	501	482	489	973	990
Pacific Islander	505	498	505	489	1010	986
White	567	566	554	557	1120	1123
Multiracial	555	558	540	543	1095	1101
Female	522	539	504	522	1026	1061
Male	518	534	522	542	1039	1076
All examinees	520	536	512	531	1032	1068
2019						
African American	475	476	461	457	936	933
American Indian	458	461	454	451	911	912
Asian	591	586	621	637	1212	1223
Hispanic	484	495	476	483	961	978

Source. Primary data from College Board. See, for example, College Board (2023a, 2023b).

Note. Data are based on public and nonpublic school examinees. Results include data only for students who took the redesigned SAT. See *College Admissions Testing General Information, Class of 2023* (TEA, forthcoming-a), and *College Admissions Testing Glossary of Terms, Class of 2023* (TEA, forthcoming-b), for additional information. Because of rounding, the average scores on the evidence-based reading and writing and mathematics sections of the examination may not sum to the average total scores. Beginning with the class of 2019, the College Board included a nonbinary option, "another gender," that examinees could select to report gender. In addition, examinees could select "unknown." The College Board first reported the new categories in results for the class of 2020, combining "another gender," "unknown," and no response (or missing values) into the single category "another/no response."

[a]Evidence-based reading and writing.

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Table 3 (continued)
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Group	Average Texas ERW[a] score	Average U.S. ERW score	Average Texas math score	Average U.S. math score	Average Texas total score	Average U.S. total score
Pacific Islander	490	487	488	478	978	964
White	565	562	552	553	1117	1114
Multiracial	552	554	538	540	1090	1095
Female	517	534	500	519	1017	1053
Male	512	529	515	537	1027	1066
All examinees	515	531	507	528	1022	1059
2020						
African American	472	473	456	454	927	927
American Indian	458	456	451	447	909	902
Asian	590	585	618	632	1208	1217
Hispanic	482	491	472	478	955	969
Pacific Islander	483	478	478	470	961	948
White	556	557	542	547	1097	1104
Multiracial	547	552	532	539	1078	1091
Female	514	532	495	516	1009	1048
Male	505	523	507	531	1012	1055
Another/no response	468	499	444	468	912	967
All examinees	510	528	500	523	1010	1051
2021						
African American	465	477	452	457	917	934
American Indian	458	468	454	459	912	927
Asian	589	597	616	642	1205	1239
Hispanic	477	490	470	477	947	967
Pacific Islander	486	481	477	469	962	950
White	547	562	533	550	1080	1112
Multiracial	541	565	528	551	1069	1116

Source. Primary data from College Board. See, for example, College Board (2023a, 2023b).

Note. Data are based on public and nonpublic school examinees. Results include data only for students who took the redesigned SAT. See *College Admissions Testing General Information, Class of 2023* (TEA, forthcoming-a), and *College Admissions Testing Glossary of Terms, Class of 2023* (TEA, forthcoming-b), for additional information. Because of rounding, the average scores on the evidence-based reading and writing and mathematics sections of the examination may not sum to the average total scores. Beginning with the class of 2019, the College Board included a nonbinary option, "another gender," that examinees could select to report gender. In addition, examinees could select "unknown." The College Board first reported the new categories in results for the class of 2020, combining "another gender," "unknown," and no response (or missing values) into the single category "another/no response."

[a]Evidence-based reading and writing.

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Group	Average Texas ERW[a] score	Average U.S. ERW score	Average Texas math score	Average U.S. math score	Average Texas total score	Average U.S. total score
Female	508	535	491	519	999	1054
Male	502	530	505	537	1007	1067
Another/no response	506	540	475	501	982	1041
All examinees	505	533	498	528	1003	1060
2022						
African American	466	474	450	452	915	926
American Indian	465	473	457	463	921	936
Asian	593	596	614	633	1207	1229
Hispanic	479	491	467	473	946	964
Pacific Islander	469	481	463	464	931	945
White	547	556	532	543	1078	1098
Multiracial	542	559	526	543	1068	1102
Female	508	531	488	512	997	1043
Male	503	526	502	530	1005	1056
Another/no response	531	567	493	524	1024	1091
All examinees	506	529	495	521	1001	1050
2023						
African American	457	466	436	441	893	908
American Indian	463	458	448	443	912	901
Asian	591	593	606	626	1196	1219
Hispanic	470	482	454	461	924	943
Pacific Islander	474	473	464	452	937	925
White	542	550	521	532	1064	1082
Multiracial	538	556	517	535	1056	1091
Female	501	523	476	500	977	1023
Male	493	517	486	515	979	1032
Another/no response	532	552	494	506	1026	1058
All examinees	497	520	481	508	978	1028

Source. Primary data from College Board. See, for example, College Board (2023a, 2023b).

Note. Data are based on public and nonpublic school examinees. Results include data only for students who took the redesigned SAT. See *College Admissions Testing General Information, Class of 2023* (TEA, forthcoming-a), and *College Admissions Testing Glossary of Terms, Class of 2023* (TEA, forthcoming-b), for additional information. Because of rounding, the average scores on the evidence-based reading and writing and mathematics sections of the examination may not sum to the average total scores. Beginning with the class of 2019, the College Board included a nonbinary option, "another gender," that examinees could select to report gender. In addition, examinees could select "unknown." The College Board first reported the new categories in results for the class of 2020, combining "another gender," "unknown," and no response (or missing values) into the single category "another/no response."

[a]Evidence-based reading and writing.

Table 4
ACT Performance, by Race/Ethnicity and Gender, Texas and the United States, Class of 2013 Through Class of 2023

Group	Average Texas English score	Average U.S. English score	Average Texas math score	Average U.S. math score	Average Texas reading score	Average U.S. reading score	Average Texas science score	Average U.S. science score	Average Texas composite score	Average U.S. composite score
2013										
African American	16.1	15.7	18.3	17.2	17.6	17.0	17.8	16.9	17.6	16.9
American Indian	19.8	16.6	21.2	18.2	21.1	18.3	20.9	18.3	20.9	18.0
Asian	23.9	22.5	26.6	25.0	24.5	22.9	24.5	23.1	25.0	23.5
Hispanic	17.1	17.7	19.6	19.3	18.7	18.9	19.1	18.8	18.8	18.8
Pacific Islander	20.1	18.6	22.5	20.1	21.5	19.5	21.6	19.5	21.5	19.5
White	22.6	21.8	23.4	21.9	23.6	22.6	23.0	22.0	23.3	22.2
Multiracial	21.5	20.6	22.5	20.9	22.6	21.6	22.1	20.9	22.3	21.1
Female	19.9	20.6	21.0	20.5	21.1	21.4	20.4	20.4	20.7	20.9
Male	19.6	19.8	22.0	21.4	20.9	20.9	21.5	21.2	21.1	20.9
All examinees	19.8	20.2	21.5	20.9	21.0	21.1	20.9	20.7	20.9	20.9
2014										
African American	16.1	15.8	18.3	17.2	17.8	17.3	17.9	17.0	17.7	17.0
American Indian	20.0	16.6	21.5	18.1	21.6	18.4	21.3	18.3	21.2	18.0
Asian	24.1	22.8	26.5	24.9	24.3	22.8	24.5	23.2	25.0	23.5
Hispanic	17.2	17.7	19.5	19.2	18.8	19.1	19.0	18.8	18.8	18.8
Pacific Islander	20.3	17.5	22.0	19.2	21.4	18.7	21.1	18.6	21.3	18.6
White	22.7	22.0	23.4	22.0	23.7	22.8	23.1	22.1	23.4	22.3
Multiracial	21.3	20.6	22.2	20.9	22.6	21.7	22.0	21.0	22.2	21.2
Female	19.9	20.7	20.9	20.5	21.1	21.5	20.5	20.5	20.7	20.9
Male	19.7	20.0	22.0	21.4	21.1	21.1	21.5	21.2	21.2	21.1
All examinees	19.8	20.3	21.4	20.9	21.1	21.3	21.0	20.8	20.9	21.0
2015										
African American	16.2	15.9	17.9	17.2	17.7	17.4	18.0	17.3	17.6	17.1
American Indian	20.0	16.6	21.1	18.1	21.8	18.4	21.2	18.2	21.1	17.9
Asian	24.2	23.0	26.3	25.0	24.6	23.3	24.8	23.6	25.1	23.9
Hispanic	17.2	17.8	19.2	19.1	18.8	19.2	19.1	19.0	18.7	18.9
Pacific Islander	20.4	17.7	21.6	19.2	21.4	18.9	21.3	18.8	21.3	18.8
White	22.8	22.1	23.1	21.9	23.8	22.9	23.1	22.2	23.3	22.4
Multiracial	21.5	20.7	22.1	20.8	22.7	21.8	22.1	21.1	22.2	21.2

Source. Primary data from ACT, Inc. See, for example, ACT, Inc. (n.d.-a).

Note. Data are based on public and nonpublic school examinees. Beginning with the class of 2020, ACT, Inc., included a nonbinary option, "another gender," that examinees could select to report gender. In addition, examinees could select "prefer not to respond." When reporting results by gender, ACT, Inc., combines "another gender," "prefer not to respond," and missing values into the single category "other responses."

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Group	Average Texas English score	Average U.S. English score	Average Texas math score	Average U.S. math score	Average Texas reading score	Average U.S. reading score	Average Texas science score	Average U.S. science score	Average Texas composite score	Average U.S. composite score
Female	20.0	20.8	20.5	20.4	21.1	21.6	20.5	20.6	20.7	21.0
Male	19.7	20.0	21.8	21.3	21.2	21.2	21.6	21.3	21.2	21.1
All examinees	19.8	20.4	21.1	20.8	21.1	21.4	21.0	20.9	20.9	21.0
2016										
African American	16.1	15.8	17.8	17.0	17.9	17.4	17.9	17.2	17.6	17.0
American Indian	18.9	16.3	20.1	17.7	20.4	18.2	20.2	18.1	20.0	17.7
Asian	24.0	23.3	26.0	25.0	24.8	23.7	24.5	23.6	25.0	24.0
Hispanic	16.8	17.6	18.8	18.8	18.7	19.2	18.8	18.9	18.4	18.7
Pacific Islander	19.5	17.4	20.8	18.9	21.9	18.9	20.8	18.6	20.8	18.6
White	22.6	21.9	22.9	21.7	23.8	22.8	23.1	22.1	23.2	22.2
Multiracial	21.0	20.4	21.7	20.5	22.7	21.6	22.0	20.9	22.0	21.0
Female	19.6	20.6	20.2	20.3	21.1	21.6	20.3	20.6	20.4	20.9
Male	19.3	19.8	21.4	21.0	20.9	21.0	21.2	21.1	20.8	20.9
All examinees	19.4	20.1	20.7	20.6	21.0	21.3	20.7	20.8	20.6	20.8
2017										
African American	16.4	16.0	17.9	17.1	18.1	17.4	18.2	17.4	17.8	17.1
American Indian	19.7	16.1	20.9	17.6	21.7	18.0	21.3	18.0	21.0	17.5
Asian	24.4	23.7	26.1	25.2	25.0	23.9	24.8	24.0	25.2	24.3
Hispanic	17.1	17.7	18.9	18.9	18.9	19.3	19.1	19.1	18.6	18.9
Pacific Islander	19.6	17.2	21.1	18.6	21.3	18.6	20.6	18.7	20.8	18.4
White	22.6	22.1	22.8	21.9	23.9	23.0	23.1	22.3	23.2	22.4
Multiracial	21.3	20.6	21.7	20.7	22.7	21.9	22.2	21.2	22.1	21.2
Female	19.8	20.8	20.2	20.4	21.3	21.8	20.5	20.8	20.6	21.1
Male	19.4	19.9	21.3	21.2	21.0	21.2	21.4	21.3	20.9	21.0
All examinees	19.5	20.3	20.7	20.7	21.1	21.4	20.9	21.0	20.7	21.0
2018										
African American	16.3	15.8	17.7	16.9	18.0	17.3	18.0	17.1	17.6	16.9
American Indian	19.2	15.9	20.3	17.4	20.9	17.7	20.5	17.7	20.4	17.3
Asian	25.2	24.1	26.2	25.1	25.5	24.2	25.2	24.1	25.6	24.5
Hispanic	17.3	17.8	18.8	18.8	19.1	19.3	19.1	18.9	18.7	18.8
Pacific Islander	20.3	17.2	21.4	18.4	21.6	18.3	21.7	18.3	21.4	18.2

Source. Primary data from ACT, Inc. See, for example, ACT, Inc. (n.d.-a).

Note. Data are based on public and nonpublic school examinees. Beginning with the class of 2020, ACT, Inc., included a nonbinary option, "another gender," that examinees could select to report gender. In addition, examinees could select "prefer not to respond." When reporting results by gender, ACT, Inc., combines "another gender," "prefer not to respond," and missing values into the single category "other responses."

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White	22.6	21.9	22.6	21.7	23.9	22.8	23.0	22.0	23.2	22.2
Multiracial	21.6	20.6	21.8	20.6	23.1	21.8	22.2	20.9	22.3	21.1
Female	19.8	20.7	20.1	20.2	21.3	21.7	20.5	20.6	20.5	20.9
Male	19.4	19.7	21.2	20.9	21.0	21.0	21.2	20.9	20.8	20.8
All examinees	19.6	20.2	20.6	20.5	21.1	21.3	20.8	20.7	20.6	20.8
2019										
African American	16.4	15.8	17.6	16.8	18.1	17.2	17.9	16.9	17.6	16.8
American Indian	19.2	15.5	20.4	17.1	21.0	17.4	20.3	17.3	20.3	17.0
Asian	25.2	24.3	26.1	25.1	25.6	24.4	25.2	24.3	25.6	24.6
Hispanic	17.1	17.6	18.6	18.6	19.0	19.2	18.9	18.8	18.5	18.7
Pacific Islander	20.1	16.8	21.0	18.2	21.8	18.1	21.1	18.1	21.1	17.9
White	22.5	21.7	22.5	21.5	24.0	22.7	22.9	21.9	23.1	22.1
Multiracial	21.6	20.5	21.8	20.5	23.2	21.7	22.1	20.8	22.3	21.0
Female	19.7	20.6	19.9	20.0	21.4	21.7	20.4	20.5	20.5	20.8
Male	19.3	19.6	21.1	20.8	20.9	20.7	21.0	20.8	20.7	20.6
All examinees	19.5	20.1	20.4	20.4	21.1	21.2	20.6	20.6	20.5	20.7
2020										
African American	16.2	15.6	17.5	16.7	17.8	17.0	17.8	16.9	17.5	16.7
American Indian	18.3	15.2	19.5	16.9	20.2	17.2	19.9	17.1	19.6	16.7
Asian	25.6	24.5	26.4	25.2	26.2	24.8	25.6	24.5	26.1	24.9
Hispanic	16.7	17.4	18.3	18.5	18.6	19.0	18.6	18.7	18.2	18.5
Pacific Islander	18.2	16.3	19.8	17.8	19.9	17.8	19.8	17.7	19.5	17.5
White	22.4	21.5	22.4	21.4	23.9	22.7	22.9	21.9	23.0	22.0
Multiracial	21.3	20.2	21.7	20.3	23.0	21.7	22.1	20.8	22.2	20.9
Female	19.6	20.5	19.8	20.0	21.2	21.6	20.3	20.5	20.3	20.8
Male	18.9	19.3	20.7	20.6	20.6	20.8	20.8	20.7	20.4	20.5
Other responses	15.0	16.8	17.0	17.8	16.6	18.2	17.0	18.0	16.5	17.8
All examinees	19.1	19.9	20.1	20.2	20.8	21.2	20.4	20.6	20.2	20.6
2021										
African American	15.7	15.2	17.1	16.3	17.3	16.6	17.5	16.7	17.0	16.3
American Indian	18.1	15.4	19.1	16.8	20.2	17.3	20.0	17.3	19.5	16.9

Source. Primary data from ACT, Inc. See, for example, ACT, Inc. (n.d.-a).

Note. Data are based on public and nonpublic school examinees. Beginning with the class of 2020, ACT, Inc., included a nonbinary option, "another gender," that examinees could select to report gender. In addition, examinees could select "prefer not to respond." When reporting results by gender, ACT, Inc., combines "another gender," "prefer not to respond," and missing values into the single category "other responses."

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Table 4 (continued)
ACT Performance, by Race/Ethnicity and Gender, Texas and the United States, Class of 2013 Through Class of 2023

Group	Average Texas English score	Average U.S. English score	Average Texas math score	Average U.S. math score	Average Texas reading score	Average U.S. reading score	Average Texas science score	Average U.S. science score	Average Texas composite score	Average U.S. composite score
Asian	25.9	24.5	26.5	25.1	26.4	24.9	25.8	24.5	26.3	24.9
Hispanic	16.5	17.1	18.2	18.2	18.3	18.7	18.4	18.6	18.0	18.3
Pacific Islander	19.0	16.0	20.3	17.4	20.5	17.3	20.5	17.5	20.2	17.2
White	22.2	21.1	22.3	21.0	23.9	22.4	22.9	21.7	22.9	21.7
Multiracial	21.0	19.8	21.4	20.0	22.7	21.4	22.1	20.7	21.9	20.6
Female	19.4	20.2	19.7	19.7	21.0	21.5	20.2	20.4	20.2	20.6
Male	18.9	19.1	20.7	20.4	20.6	20.6	20.8	20.6	20.4	20.3
Other responses	15.3	17.4	17.2	18.2	17.2	19.0	17.5	18.8	16.9	18.5
All examinees	18.9	19.6	20.0	19.9	20.6	20.9	20.3	20.4	20.1	20.3
2022										
African American	15.3	15.0	16.6	16.0	17.1	16.6	17.1	16.5	16.6	16.1
American Indian	17.6	14.9	19.1	16.4	19.4	16.9	19.3	16.9	19.0	16.4
Asian	26.0	24.5	26.0	24.7	26.2	24.9	25.5	24.3	26.0	24.7
Hispanic	16.2	16.6	17.6	17.5	18.1	18.3	18.0	18.0	17.6	17.7
Pacific Islander	19.7	15.9	20.1	17.2	20.9	17.3	21.0	17.5	20.5	17.1
White	22.1	20.7	21.8	20.6	23.7	22.1	22.6	21.3	22.7	21.3
Multiracial	20.9	19.4	21.0	19.4	22.6	20.9	21.6	20.1	21.6	20.1
Female	19.1	19.6	19.1	19.1	20.8	20.9	19.8	19.9	19.8	20.0
Male	18.4	18.5	20.0	19.7	20.1	20.0	20.2	20.0	19.8	19.7
Other responses	16.7	17.5	17.6	17.8	18.5	19.2	18.1	18.4	17.9	18.3
All examinees	18.7	19.0	19.5	19.3	20.4	20.4	19.9	19.9	19.8	19.8
2023										
African American	15.0	14.8	16.3	15.8	17.0	16.4	16.8	16.3	16.4	16.0
American Indian	17.3	14.5	18.8	16.0	19.1	16.4	19.4	16.5	18.8	16.0
Asian	25.7	23.9	25.8	24.2	26.1	24.4	25.2	23.9	25.9	24.2
Hispanic	15.8	16.2	17.2	17.2	17.8	17.9	17.7	17.7	17.2	17.4
Pacific Islander	17.7	14.9	18.2	16.4	19.6	16.6	19.1	16.8	18.7	16.3
White	21.4	20.3	21.4	20.3	23.2	21.8	22.2	21.0	22.2	21.0
Multiracial	20.4	19.0	20.6	19.1	22.2	20.7	21.4	19.9	21.3	19.8
Female	18.6	19.2	18.7	18.8	20.3	20.6	19.4	19.6	19.4	19.7
Male	17.9	18.2	19.6	19.4	19.7	19.7	19.9	19.8	19.4	19.4

Source. Primary data from ACT, Inc. See, for example, ACT, Inc. (n.d.-a).

Note. Data are based on public and nonpublic school examinees. Beginning with the class of 2020, ACT, Inc., included a nonbinary option, "another gender," that examinees could select to report gender. In addition, examinees could select "prefer not to respond." When reporting results by gender, ACT, Inc., combines "another gender," "prefer not to respond," and missing values into the single category "other responses."

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Table 4 (continued)
ACT Performance, by Race/Ethnicity and Gender, Texas and the United States, Class of 2013 Through Class of 2023

Group	Average Texas English score	Average U.S. English score	Average Texas math score	Average U.S. math score	Average Texas reading score	Average U.S. reading score	Average Texas science score	Average U.S. science score	Average Texas composite score	Average U.S. composite score
Other responses	16.4	17.2	17.4	17.6	18.3	19.1	18.0	18.4	17.6	18.2
All examinees	18.2	18.6	19.1	19.0	20.0	20.1	19.5	19.6	19.3	19.5

Source. Primary data from ACT, Inc. See, for example, ACT, Inc. (n.d.-a).

Note. Data are based on public and nonpublic school examinees. Beginning with the class of 2020, ACT, Inc., included a nonbinary option, "another gender," that examinees could select to report gender. In addition, examinees could select "prefer not to respond." When reporting results by gender, ACT, Inc., combines "another gender," "prefer not to respond," and missing values into the single category "other responses."

SAT and ACT Examinee Populations in Texas and the United States

- In Texas, 45.9 percent of SAT examinees in the class of 2023 were Hispanic, 26.9 percent were White, and 11.8 percent were African American (Table 5). Across the United States, by comparison, 24.2 percent were Hispanic, 39.3 percent were White, and 11.8 percent were African American.

- In Texas, 42.6 percent of ACT examinees in the class of 2023 were Hispanic, 32.2 percent were White, and 9.6 percent were African American (Table 6 on page 15). Across the United States, by comparison, 16.9 percent were Hispanic, 52.2 percent were White, and 12.4 percent were African American.

- In Texas, 50.8 percent of SAT examinees in the class of 2023 were female, and 48.8 percent were male (Table 7 on page 15). Across the United States, 50.5 percent of examinees were female, and 48.9 percent were male.

- In Texas, 51.1 percent of ACT examinees in the class of 2023 were female, and 45.3 percent were male (Table 8 on page 16). Across the United States, 48.7 percent of examinees were female, and 46.4 percent were male.

Table 5
SAT Examinee Population, by Race/Ethnicity, Texas and the United States, Class of 2013 Through Class of 2023

Class	Texas examinees	U.S. examinees	Texas African American examinees (%)	U.S. African American examinees (%)	Texas Hispanic examinees (%)	U.S. Hispanic examinees (%)	Texas White examinees (%)	U.S. White examinees (%)
2013	172,870	1,660,047	13.9	12.7	36.6	17.1	38.8	50.3
2014	179,036	1,672,395	13.8	12.7	37.8	18.0	37.5	49.2
2015	193,768	1,698,521	13.7	12.9	39.9	19.0	35.1	47.1
2016	196,028	1,637,589	12.8	12.2	42.9	21.7	32.0	45.3
2017	204,409	1,715,481	12.8	13.2	45.8	23.8	29.9	44.3
2018	226,374	2,136,539	12.3	12.3	45.0	23.4	30.5	43.6
2019	236,665	2,220,087	11.7	12.2	47.4	25.0	28.5	42.7
2020	252,019	2,198,460	11.3	11.9	47.6	25.9	27.9	41.4
2021	225,685	1,509,133	11.2	11.2	43.4	23.3	29.6	42.1
2022	243,410	1,737,678	10.9	11.6	43.9	22.8	29.0	42.2
2023	278,151	1,913,742	11.8	11.8	45.9	24.2	26.9	39.3

Source. Primary data from College Board. See, for example, College Board (2023a, 2023b).

Note. Data are based on public and nonpublic school examinees. Results for the class of 2016 include data only for students who took the SAT before March 2016. Beginning with the class of 2017, results include data only for students who took the redesigned SAT. See *College Admissions Testing General Information, Class of 2023* (TEA, forthcoming-a), for additional information.

Table 6
ACT Examinee Population, by Race/Ethnicity, Texas and the United States, Class of 2013 Through Class of 2023

Class	Texas examinees	U.S. examinees	Texas African American examinees (%)	U.S. African American examinees (%)	Texas Hispanic examinees (%)	U.S. Hispanic examinees (%)	Texas White examinees (%)	U.S. White examinees (%)
2013	109,841	1,799,243	11.6	13.3	38.1	14.4	39.4	57.5
2014	116,547	1,845,787	11.1	13.1	39.2	15.2	38.1	56.3
2015	124,764	1,924,436	11.1	13.1	39.2	15.6	37.3	55.0
2016	142,877	2,090,342	10.8	13.0	40.6	16.1	34.9	53.6
2017	146,608	2,030,038	10.2	12.6	41.0	17.1	34.2	52.3
2018	141,253	1,914,817	10.3	12.7	39.0	16.1	33.9	52.1
2019	136,061	1,782,820	10.1	12.4	39.8	16.4	32.4	51.5
2020	131,292	1,670,497	9.6	12.2	39.7	16.6	31.0	51.5
2021	88,948	1,295,349	9.0	11.9	36.4	14.0	33.7	53.9
2022	84,822	1,349,644	9.7	11.4	40.0	15.6	33.3	52.5
2023	88,670	1,386,335	9.6	12.4	42.6	16.9	32.2	52.2

Source. Primary data from ACT, Inc. See, for example, ACT, Inc. (n.d.-a).

Note. Data are based on public and nonpublic school examinees.

Table 7
SAT Examinee Population, by Gender, Texas and the United States, Class of 2013 Through Class of 2023

Class	Texas examinees	U.S. examinees	Texas female examinees (%)	U.S. female examinees (%)	Texas male examinees (%)	U.S. male examinees (%)	Texas another/ no response (%)	U.S. another/ no response (%)
2013	172,870	1,660,047	53.4	53.2	46.6	46.8	n/a[a]	n/a
2014	179,036	1,672,395	53.4	53.1	46.6	46.9	n/a	n/a
2015	193,768	1,698,521	53.5	53.2	46.5	46.8	n/a	n/a
2016	196,028	1,637,589	53.3	53.5	46.7	46.5	n/a	n/a
2017	204,409	1,715,481	53.3	52.8	46.7	47.2	n/a	n/a
2018	226,374	2,136,539	52.9	52.3	47.1	47.7	n/a	n/a
2019	236,665	2,220,087	52.9	52.1	47.0	47.8	n/a	n/a
2020	252,019	2,198,460	52.6	52.1	47.3	47.9	0.1	0.1
2021	225,685	1,509,133	51.6	51.3	48.3	48.5	0.1	0.2
2022	243,410	1,737,678	51.6	51.2	48.1	48.4	0.3	0.4
2023	278,151	1,913,742	50.8	50.5	48.8	48.9	0.4	0.6

Source. Primary data from College Board. See, for example, College Board (2023a, 2023b).

Note. Data are based on public and nonpublic school examinees. Results for the class of 2016 include data only for students who took the SAT before March 2016. Beginning with the class of 2017, results include data only for students who took the redesigned SAT. Beginning with the class of 2019, the College Board included a nonbinary option, "another gender," that examinees could select to report gender. In addition, examinees could select "unknown." The College Board first reported the new categories in results for the class of 2020, combining "another gender," "unknown," and no response (or missing values) into the single category "another/no response." See *College Admissions Testing General Information, Class of 2023* (TEA, forthcoming-a), for additional information. Parts may not add to 100 percent because of rounding.

[a]Not available.

Table 8
ACT Examinee Population, by Gender, Texas and the United States, Class of 2013 Through Class of 2023

Class	Texas examinees	U.S. examinees	Texas female examinees (%)	U.S. female examinees (%)	Texas male examinees (%)	U.S. male examinees (%)	Texas other responses (%)	U.S. other responses (%)
2013	109,841	1,799,243	54.4	53.1	45.6	46.4	n/a[a]	n/a
2014	116,547	1,845,787	54.4	52.9	45.6	46.4	n/a	n/a
2015	124,764	1,924,436	54.2	52.6	45.6	46.5	n/a	n/a
2016	142,877	2,090,342	52.7	51.4	45.7	46.5	n/a	n/a
2017	146,608	2,030,038	53.1	51.6	44.9	46.3	n/a	n/a
2018	141,253	1,914,817	54.0	51.8	45.5	46.7	n/a	n/a
2019	136,061	1,782,820	54.0	52.0	44.7	46.5	n/a	n/a
2020	131,292	1,670,497	52.5	51.7	44.2	46.3	3.4	2.0
2021	88,948	1,295,349	50.1	49.1	44.3	45.5	5.6	5.4
2022	84,822	1,349,644	52.1	50.0	45.2	46.8	2.7	3.3
2023	88,670	1,386,335	51.1	48.7	45.3	46.4	3.6	4.9

Source. Primary data from ACT, Inc. See, for example, ACT, Inc. (n.d.-a).

Note. Data are based on public and nonpublic school examinees. Beginning with the class of 2020, ACT, Inc., included a nonbinary option, "another gender," that examinees could select to report gender. In addition, examinees could select "prefer not to respond." When reporting results by gender, ACT, Inc., combines "another gender," "prefer not to respond," and missing values into the single category "other responses." See *College Admissions Testing General Information, Class of 2023* (TEA, forthcoming-a), for additional information. Parts may not add to 100 percent because of rounding.

[a]Not available.

SAT and ACT Participation and Performance by State

- SAT and ACT participation rates varied considerably across states and the District of Columbia (Table 9 on page 18 and Table 10 on page 20). For the class of 2023, rates of SAT participation ranged from 1 percent to 100 percent, and rates of ACT participation ranged from 2 percent to 100 percent. In Texas, the SAT participation rate was 71 percent, and the ACT participation rate was 23 percent.

Table 9
SAT Participation and Performance, by State, Class of 2023

State	Participation rate (%)	Average ERW[a] score	Average math score	Average total score
Mississippi	1	601	583	1184
Nebraska	1	631	621	1252
North Dakota	1	652	634	1287
South Dakota	1	605	602	1208
Wyoming	1	604	596	1200
Arkansas	2	610	582	1192
Iowa	2	610	598	1208
Kansas	2	626	619	1245
Kentucky	2	616	592	1208
Utah	2	621	618	1239
Wisconsin	2	615	621	1236
Alabama	3	592	570	1161
Louisiana	3	611	583	1194
Minnesota	3	601	599	1201
Missouri	3	603	588	1191
Tennessee	4	606	585	1191
Montana	5	607	586	1193
Nevada	6	591	576	1166
Arizona	11	596	587	1183
Ohio	18	525	519	1044
Oklahoma	18	486	468	953
North Carolina	24	570	557	1127
Oregon	24	574	551	1125
California	25	546	536	1083
Alaska	30	553	529	1082
Hawaii	30	565	549	1114
Washington	37	549	532	1081
Maine	38	551	529	1080
Vermont	45	563	536	1099
Pennsylvania	48	547	531	1078

Source. Primary data from College Board (n.d.).

Note. Data are based on public and nonpublic school examinees. See *College Admissions Testing General Information, Class of 2023* (TEA, forthcoming-a), for additional information. Because of rounding, the average scores on the evidence-based reading and writing and mathematics sections of the examination may not sum to the average total scores.

[a]Evidence-based reading and writing.

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Table 9 (continued)
SAT Participation and Performance, by State, Class of 2023

State	Participation rate (%)	Average ERW[a] score	Average math score	Average total score
Virginia	49	569	544	1113
South Carolina	50	527	501	1028
Georgia	53	539	515	1054
Massachusetts	57	560	551	1112
New York	62	522	516	1039
New Jersey	64	538	528	1066
Maryland	71	515	493	1008
Texas	**71**	**497**	**481**	**978**
New Hampshire	82	526	508	1035
Colorado	90	508	488	996
Florida	90	503	463	966
West Virginia	90	478	445	923
Connecticut	93	512	495	1007
New Mexico	94	458	444	901
Delaware	95	489	469	958
Idaho	95	494	476	970
Rhode Island	95	489	468	958
Illinois	96	492	478	970
Michigan	97	493	474	967
District of Columbia	100	495	474	969
Indiana	100	489	482	971
United States	**50**	**520**	**508**	**1028**

Source. Primary data from College Board (n.d.).

Note. Data are based on public and nonpublic school examinees. See *College Admissions Testing General Information, Class of 2023* (TEA, forthcoming-a), for additional information. Because of rounding, the average scores on the evidence-based reading and writing and mathematics sections of the examination may not sum to the average total scores.

[a]Evidence-based reading and writing.

Table 10
ACT Participation and Performance, by State, Class of 2023

State	Participation rate (%)	Average English score	Average math score	Average reading score	Average science score	Average composite score
Maine	2	25.1	23.5	25.9	24.4	24.8
California	4	25.8	24.9	26.5	25.1	25.7
Delaware	4	25.0	23.5	25.7	24.4	24.8
New Hampshire	5	25.1	24.4	26.0	24.9	25.2
Rhode Island	5	24.6	23.6	25.3	23.9	24.5
Pennsylvania	6	23.6	23.2	24.7	23.6	23.9
Vermont	6	23.1	22.1	25.2	23.5	23.6
Washington	6	24.2	23.6	25.6	24.2	24.5
Maryland	7	24.5	23.3	25.6	24.0	24.5
Michigan	7	24.3	23.6	25.0	24.0	24.4
Connecticut	8	26.7	25.4	27.2	25.8	26.4
Indiana	8	22.1	22.6	23.6	22.7	22.9
Massachusetts	8	26.4	25.7	27.2	25.8	26.4
Virginia	8	24.6	23.4	25.8	24.3	24.6
Colorado	9	24.4	23.5	25.5	24.2	24.5
New York	9	25.0	24.6	26.0	25.0	25.3
New Jersey	10	24.5	23.8	24.9	23.8	24.4
Idaho	12	22.5	22.4	24.0	22.7	23.0
Oregon	13	19.8	20.2	21.9	21.0	20.9
New Mexico	14	19.3	19.4	21.3	20.4	20.2
Alaska	15	19.0	19.6	21.3	20.2	20.2
Illinois	16	24.5	23.8	25.1	24.0	24.5
District of Columbia	17	26.6	24.3	27.4	25.3	26.0
Texas	**23**	**18.2**	**19.1**	**20.0**	**19.5**	**19.3**
West Virginia	26	20.0	19.3	21.1	20.1	20.3
Georgia	28	20.7	20.6	22.2	21.2	21.3
South Carolina	40	17.6	18.3	19.6	19.0	18.8
Florida	46	18.5	18.2	19.9	18.7	18.9
Iowa	48	19.7	20.1	21.8	21.2	20.8
South Dakota	59	19.9	20.8	21.8	21.4	21.1

Source. Primary data from ACT, Inc. (n.d.-b, n.d.-c).

Note. Data are based on public and nonpublic school examinees.

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Table 10 (continued)
ACT Participation and Performance, by State, Class of 2023

State	Participation rate (%)	Average English score	Average math score	Average reading score	Average science score	Average composite score
Hawaii	64	16.6	17.7	18.5	18.4	17.9
Missouri	66	19.0	19.2	20.6	20.1	19.8
Minnesota	68	19.3	20.5	21.5	21.2	20.8
Kansas	74	18.3	18.9	20.1	19.7	19.4
Ohio	82	17.9	19.0	19.8	19.5	19.2
North Dakota	89	18.4	19.4	20.1	20.0	19.6
North Carolina	90	16.9	18.3	19.3	18.9	18.5
Utah	90	18.9	19.3	20.9	20.0	19.9
Wisconsin	95	18.3	19.2	19.9	19.8	19.4
Arkansas	96	18.0	17.8	19.0	18.9	18.6
Nebraska	96	18.3	18.9	19.5	19.4	19.2
Arizona	98	16.8	17.8	18.0	17.8	17.7
Montana	98	17.4	18.6	19.4	19.1	18.8
Alabama	100	17.4	17.3	18.5	18.2	18.0
Kentucky	100	18.1	18.1	19.3	18.8	18.7
Louisiana	100	17.8	17.4	18.7	18.5	18.2
Mississippi	100	17.0	17.3	18.0	17.7	17.6
Nevada	100	16.0	16.9	17.8	17.7	17.2
Oklahoma	100	17.0	17.1	18.4	18.1	17.8
Tennessee	100	17.9	18.0	18.8	18.5	18.4
Wyoming	100	17.9	18.5	19.6	19.3	19.0
United States	**37**	**18.6**	**19.0**	**20.1**	**19.6**	**19.5**

Source. Primary data from ACT, Inc. (n.d.-b, n.d.-c).

Note. Data are based on public and nonpublic school examinees.

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