



ASSESSMENT BRIEF

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The SAT measures selected skills and acquired knowledge obtained in high school and is designed to predict the likelihood of student success in college courses. The SAT is an objective, multiple-choice test that measures Evidence-Based Reading and Writing, and Math reasoning abilities. Starting with the March 2016 SAT administration, the College Board redesigned the SAT assessment to better align with college readiness and workforce training programs. The Class of 2017 is the first to be reported with the redesigned SAT assessment.

Caution should be exercised when using the results to rank or rate teachers, schools, or districts because they constitute only one measure and are not inclusive of all students.

The released data represent a subset of the entire student population, meaning that the results reflect only students tested, rather than the entire graduating class. It should be noted that college-bound students have the option to choose among the ACT or SAT for college admissions. Additionally, some students take the SAT in order to earn a concordant score for graduation requirements and not solely for the purpose of college admissions.

Table 1
SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing, and Math Mean Score Comparison

	FY17 Evidence-Based Reading and Writing	FY17 Math
District	533	507
Florida	517	493
Nation	538	533

Table 2a
FY16-FY17 Participation Rates for District, State, and Nation

	FY16		FY17	
	N	%	N	%
District	1,457	51%	1,854	56%
Florida	122,294	63%	134,808	64%
Nation	1,637,589	47%	1,832,683	48%

Table 2b
FY16-FY17 SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing, and Math Mean Scores for the District, State, and Nation

		FY16	**FY16 Combined	FY17
District	Critical Reading	508	498	533
	Writing	488		
	Math	501	501	507
Florida	Critical Reading	481	472	517
	Writing	462		
	Math	475	475	493
Nation	Critical Reading	494	488	538
	Writing	482		
	Math	508	505	533

- *FY17 is the first year the redesigned SAT is reported. Critical Reading and Writing are now combined into Evidence-Based Reading and Writing.
- **FY16 was recalculated to take the average of Critical Reading and Writing for comparison purposes.