

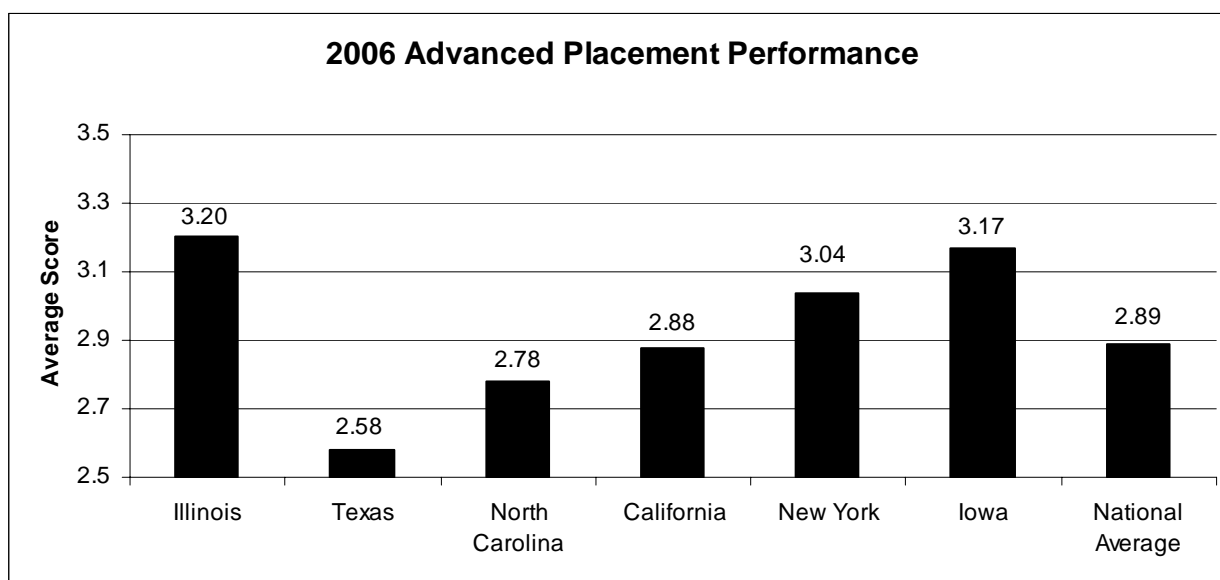
Student Performance

ACT Assessment Scores

Illinois	Composite	English	Mathematics	Reading	Science	Students Tested
2005-06	20.5	20.2	20.3	20.6	20.4	137,399
2004-05	20.3	19.9	20.2	20.3	20.4	135,967
2003-04	20.3	19.7	20.2	20.5	20.2	132,525
2002-03	20.2	19.6	20.2	20.4	20.1	134,505
2001-02	20.1	19.4	20.2	20.3	20.0	128,753
2000-01	21.6	21.1	21.5	21.8	21.6	89,311
1999-00	21.5	20.9	21.5	21.7	21.4	90,450
1998-99	21.4	20.9	21.4	21.6	21.3	88,026

Nation	Composite	English	Mathematics	Reading	Science	Students Tested
2005-06	21.1	20.6	20.8	21.4	20.9	1,206,455
2004-05	20.9	20.4	20.7	21.3	20.9	1,186,251
2003-04	20.9	20.4	20.7	21.3	20.9	1,171,460
2002-03	20.8	20.3	20.6	21.2	20.8	1,175,059
2001-02	20.8	20.2	20.6	21.1	20.8	1,116,082
2000-01	21.0	20.5	20.7	21.3	21.0	1,069,772
1999-00	21.0	20.5	20.7	21.4	21.0	1,065,138
1998-99	21.0	20.5	20.7	21.4	21.0	1,019,053

NOTE: Prior to April 2001, Illinois students took the ACT on a voluntary basis. Beginning in April 2001, all eligible Illinois public school students are required to take the ACT in Grade 11 as part of the Prairie State Achievement Examination (PSAE). Use caution when comparing Illinois ACT results for the graduating class of 2002 (and later years) to earlier graduating classes or when comparing Illinois data to national data.



Source: 2006 AP State and National Summary Reports.

National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)
a.k.a. "The Nation's Report Card"
 (U.S. scores include public schools only)

Average Student Scores

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2005</u>
Grade 4 Reading			
Illinois	n/a	216	216
U.S.	n/a	216	217
Grade 8 Reading			
Illinois	n/a	266	264
U.S.	n/a	261	260
Grade 4 Mathematics			
Illinois	223	233	233
U.S.	224	234	237
Grade 8 Mathematics			
Illinois	275	277	278
U.S.	272	276	278

Comparison of Illinois and U.S. Achievement Gaps
2005 NAEP

<u>Grade 4</u>	Reading		Mathematics	
	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U.S.</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U.S.</u>
White	230	228	245	246
Black	194	199	212	220
Hispanic	199	201	219	225
Asian	230	227	258	251
American Indian	*	205	*	227

<u>Grade 8</u>	Reading		Mathematics	
	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U.S.</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U.S.</u>
White	272	269	289	288
Black	244	242	249	254
Hispanic	253	245	265	261
Asian	281	270	300	294
American Indian	*	251	*	266

* Reporting standards not met

Source: National Center for Education Statistics, November 2006