

# STUDENT PERFORMANCE

Students are placed in performance levels based on their scores on the Illinois Standards Achievement Test (ISAT) and the Prairie State Achievement Exam (PSAE). The cut-off scores for these levels were established with the help of Illinois elementary and secondary educators. The percentage of students meeting and exceeding standards is shown below.

## ISAT Reading Statewide Average Percentage Meets/Exceeds

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Grade 3	70.7	73.0	71.7
Grade 4	72.9	73.7	73.2
Grade 5	68.5	69.7	73.5
Grade 6	72.8	73.4	79.0
Grade 7	72.0	73.4	77.7
Grade 8	79.2	81.8	81.4

## ISAT Math Statewide Average Percentage Meets/Exceeds

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Grade 3	85.6	86.8	85.1
Grade 4	84.8	86.4	84.6
Grade 5	78.6	82.5	81.4
Grade 6	79.1	81.4	82.6
Grade 7	76.1	79.4	80.4
Grade 8	78.2	81.3	80.4

## ISAT Science Statewide Average Percentage Meets/Exceeds

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Grade 4	79.8	79.8	76.2
Grade 7	80.9	79.3	79.1

## PSAE Reading Statewide Average Percentage Meets/Exceeds

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Grade 11	58.4	54.1	53.3

## PSAE Math Statewide Average Percentage Meets/Exceeds

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Grade 11	53.6	52.7	53.0

## PSAE Science Statewide Average Percentage Meets/Exceeds

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Grade 11	50.8	51.0	51.2

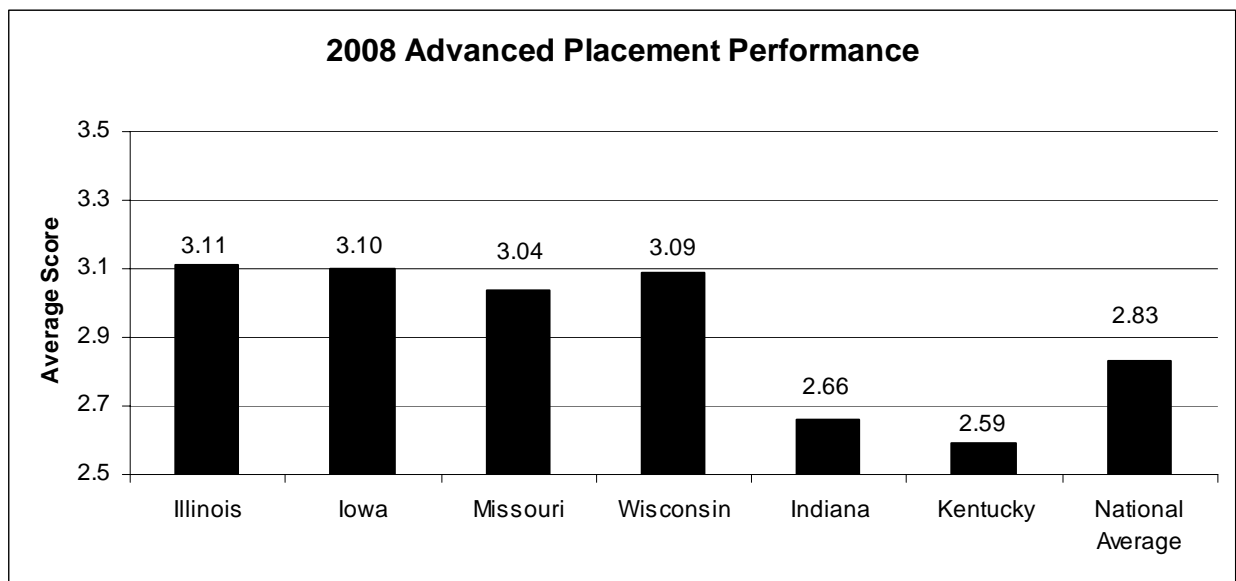
### ACT Assessment Scores

<b>Illinois</b>	Composite	English	Mathematics	Reading	Science	Students Tested
2007-08	20.7	20.4	20.7	20.6	20.5	143,734
2006-07	20.5	20.2	20.4	20.5	20.4	140,483
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

<b>National</b>	Composite	English	Mathematics	Reading	Science	Students Tested
2007-08	21.1	20.6	21.0	21.4	20.8	1,421,941
2006-07	21.2	20.7	21.0	21.5	21.0	1,300,589
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

Note: In 2001 all eligible Illinois public school students began taking the ACT in Grade 11 as part of the Prairie State Achievement Exam (PSAE). Nationally, Colorado and Michigan also mandate the ACT; in all other states students take the ACT on a voluntary basis.

Data source: ACT National and State Scores for 2008



Data source: 2008 College Board AP Summary Reports

**National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)  
a.k.a. "The Nation's Report Card"**

**Average Student Scores for Illinois and U.S.  
Public Schools**

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2007</u>
Grade 4 Reading				
Illinois	n/a	216	216	219
U.S.	n/a	216	217	220
Grade 8 Reading				
Illinois	n/a	266	264	263
U.S.	n/a	261	260	261
Grade 4 Mathematics				
Illinois	223	223	233	237
U.S.	224	234	237	239
Grade 8 Mathematics				
Illinois	275	277	278	280
U.S.	272	276	278	280

**Comparison of Illinois and U.S. Achievement Gaps  
2007 NAEP**

<u>Grade 4 Students</u>	Reading		Mathematics	
	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U.S.</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U.S.</u>
White	230	231	248	248
Black	201	203	216	222
Hispanic	205	205	223	227
Asian	240	232	257	253
American Indian	*	203	*	228

<u>Grade 8 Students</u>	Reading		Mathematics	
	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U.S.</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U.S.</u>
White	271	272	291	291
Black	244	245	253	260
Hispanic	250	245	265	265
Asian	277	271	303	297
American Indian	*	247	*	264

\* Did not meet reporting standards.

Note: 2007 is the most recent testing year for which Illinois data are available.

Data source: National Center for Education Statistics