



# **Government subsidize for SAT and ACT**

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## **Project 1**

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# Background

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In United State, SAT and ACT are standardized tests in order to admittance to a US university along with others extracurricular activities, essays, athletics, and others.

The difference between SAT and ACT:

**SAT** has **two sections** of the test: Evidence-Based Reading and Writing and Math.

**ACT** has **4 sections**: English, Mathematics, Reading, and Science, with an additional optional writing section.

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# Objective

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As United State government, department of education's decided to fund ACT and SAT test for high school students in particular states with a limit budget in order to help student for higher education.

For the best outcome, which states should they fund for ACT and SAT?

# Analysis Findings

## State with free SAT/ACT and its trends

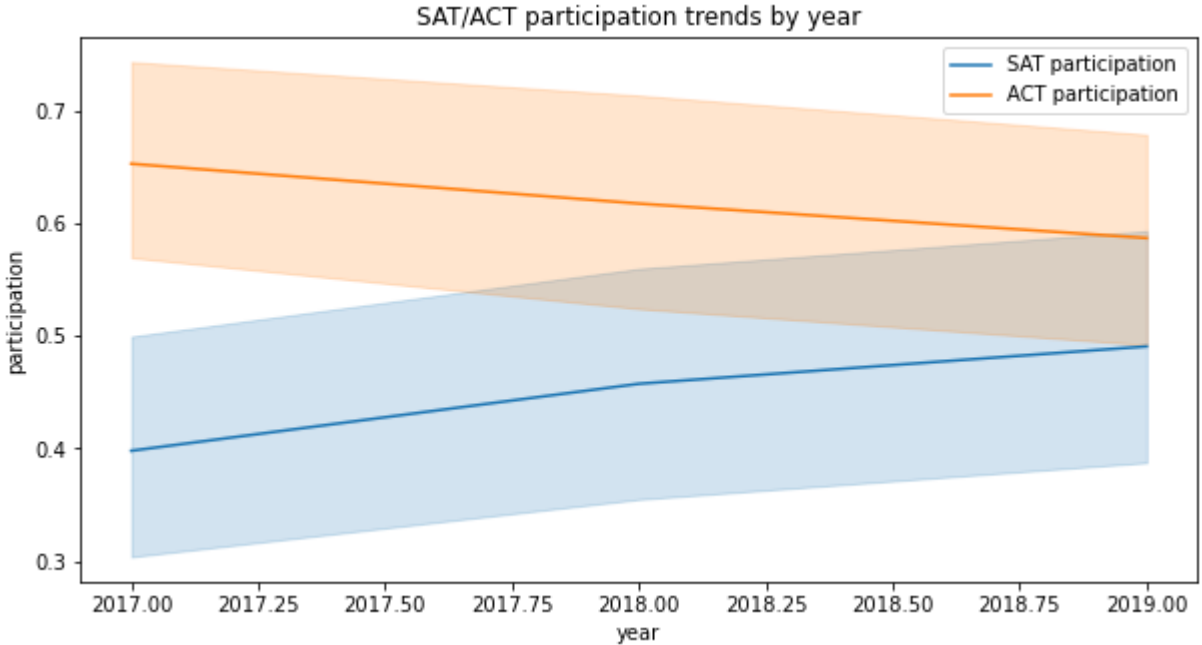
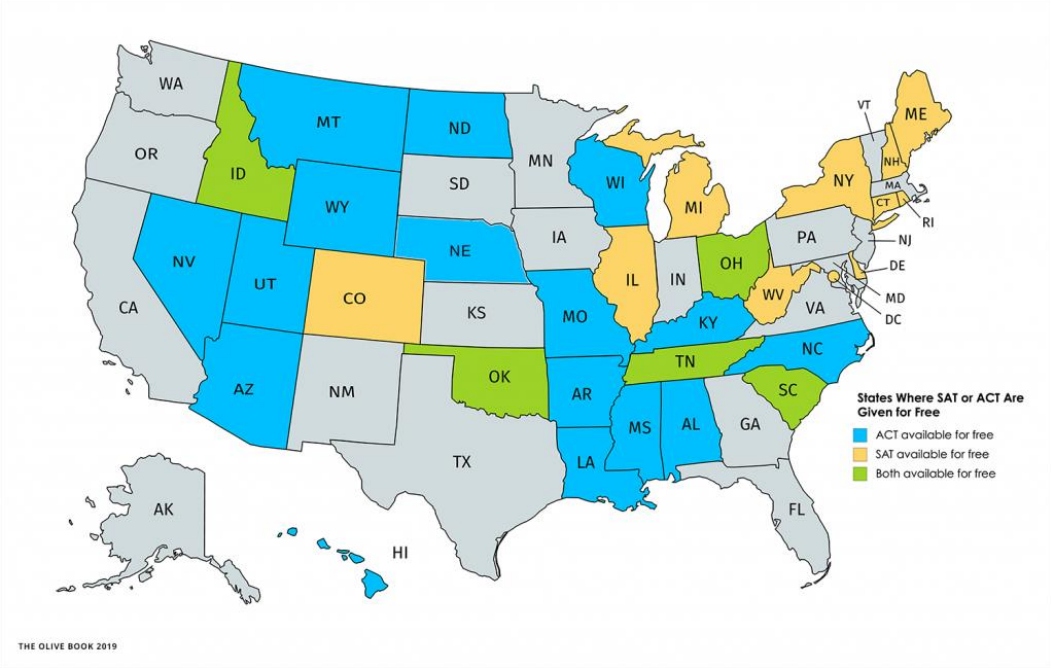
In 2017

- 17 states funded for ACT
- 9 states funded for SAT

In 2019

- 20 states funded for ACT
- 15 states funded for SAT

The Average participation of student who take SAT is 40% in 2017 and increased to 50% in 2019  
ACT is 65% in 2017 and decreased to 59% in 2019



# Analysis Findings

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States which provide free SAT/ ACT test had an average **participation rates** at

**>90%**



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# Analysis Findings

## Relation between participation and average score

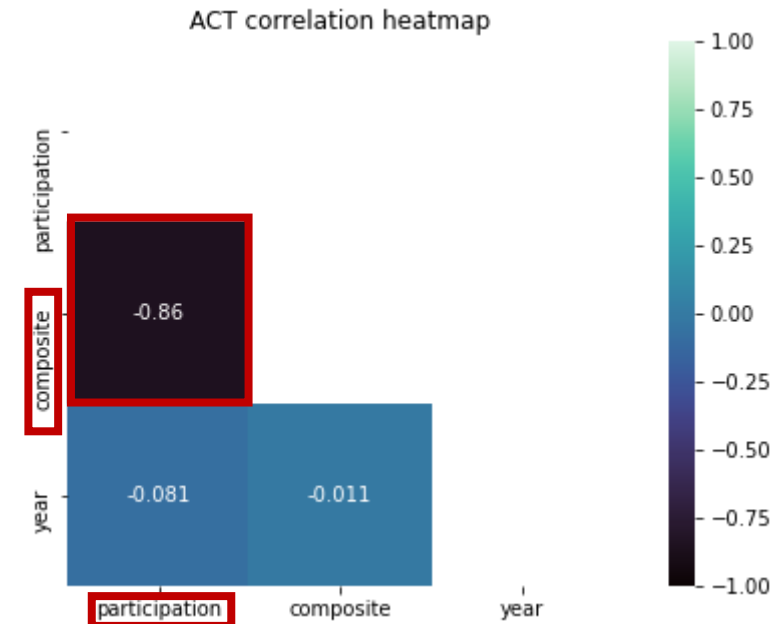
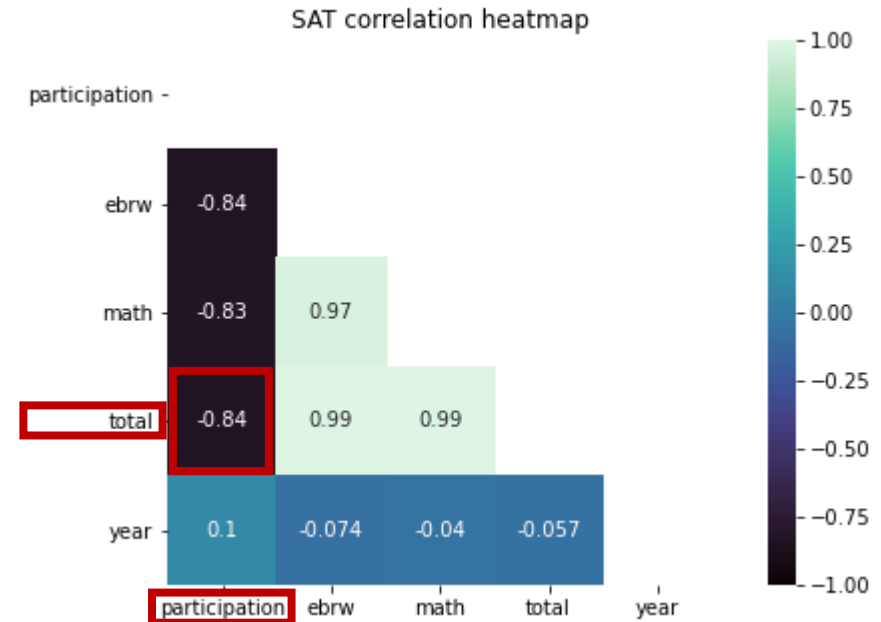
Correlation between participation and total/composite score is inverse relationship.

As participation rate **get higher**

the average total of SAT and average composite of ACT are **get lower**.

The state

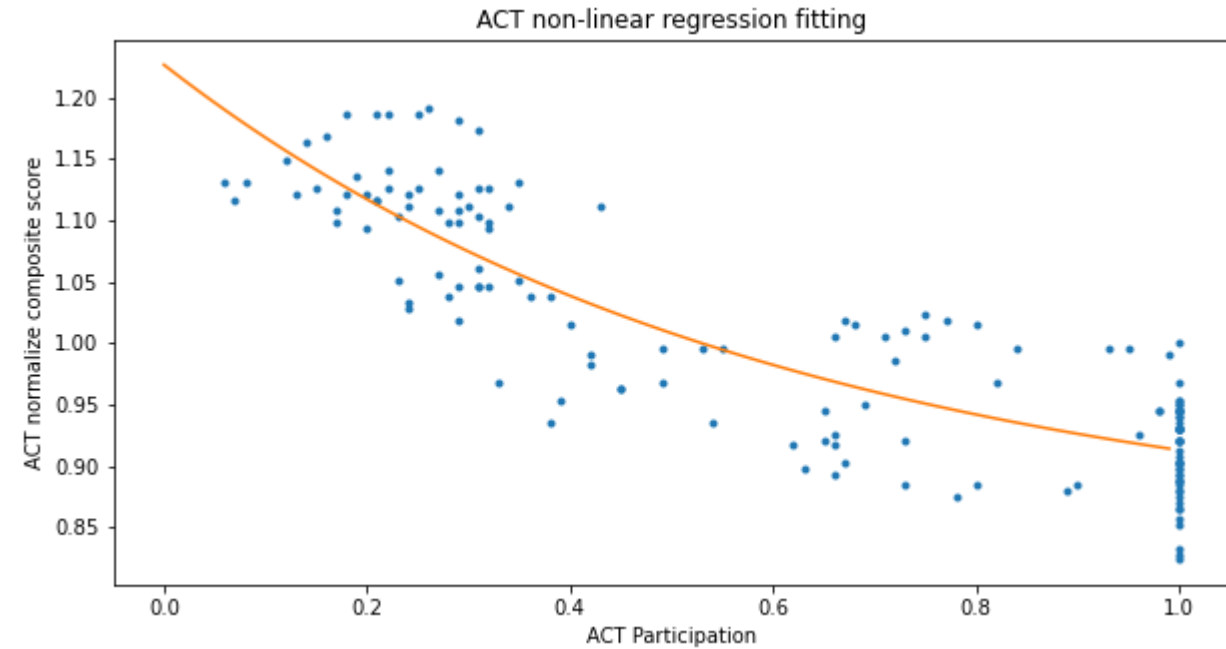
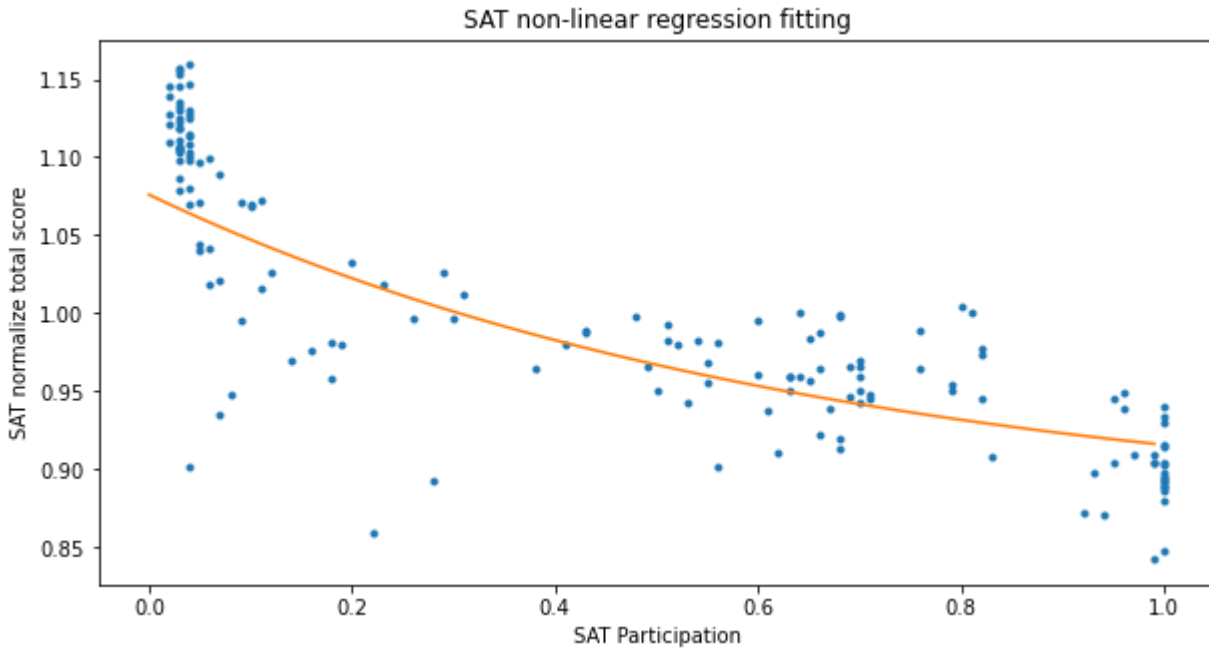
Therefore, in order to funded government need to make sure that the particular state can have high average total/composite score when participation rate is nearly 100%.





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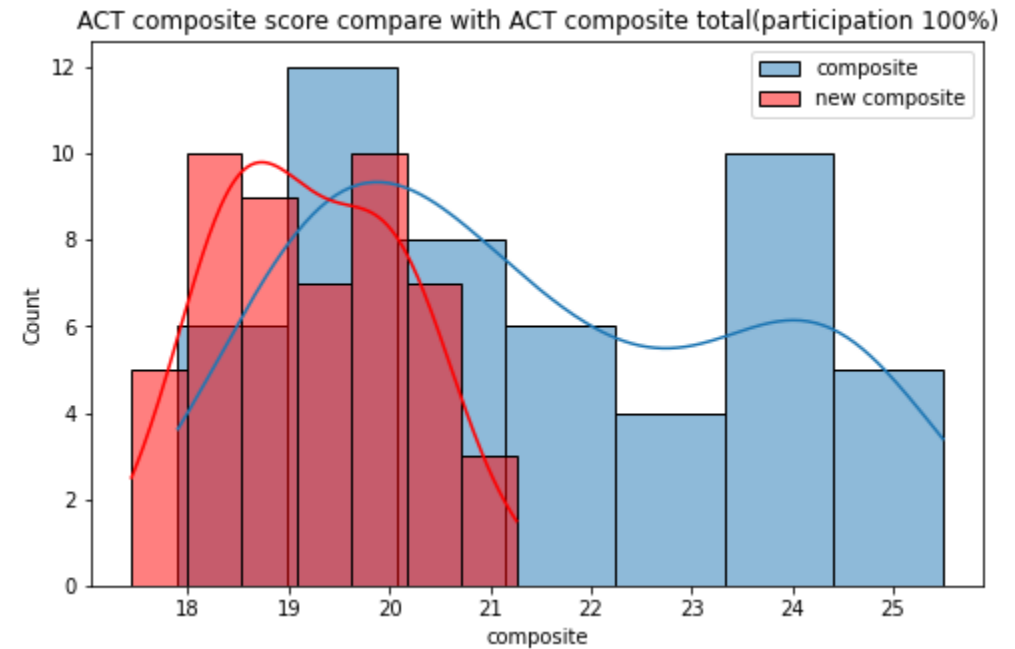
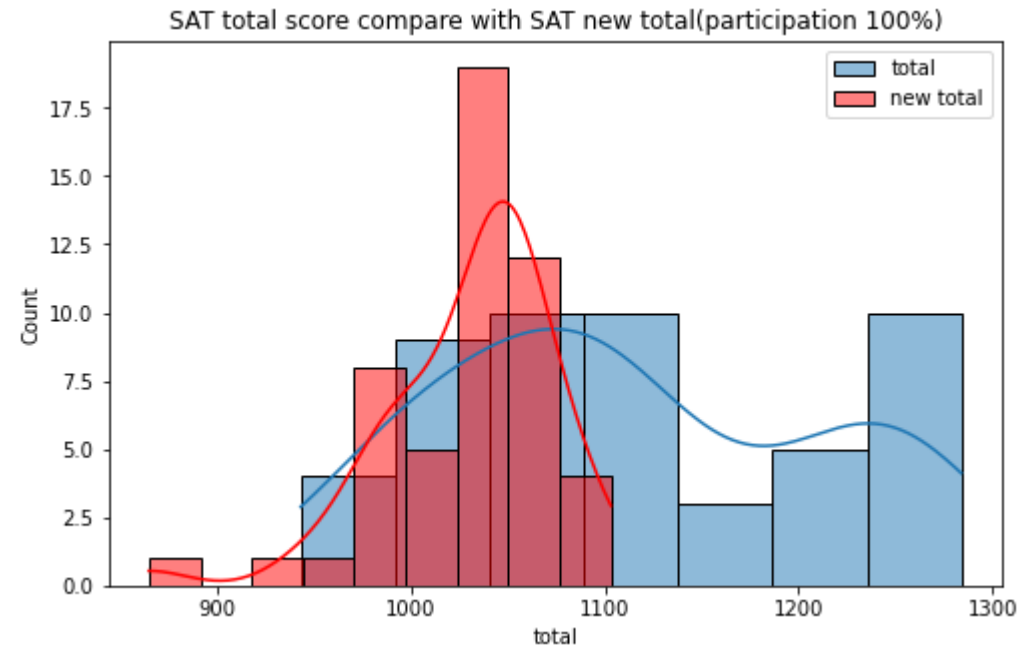


Non-linear regression fitting by least squares method

For score prediction of particular state when participation is 100%

# Analysis Findings

**New total/composite score with participation is 100%**



# Conclusions

Based on the data, major movements in participation rates are depended to the state policies.

If a state were funded for all students to take SAT/ACT, the participation rate would increased to nearly 100%.

And participation rates also related with average total/composite score in negative way.

Therefore, prediction of new total/composite score when participation rate is 100%, is the way to ranked a states with high ability of student regardless to the differs of participation rate.

# Recommendations



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As the result, the government should make funded to which states that have prediction of high average total/composite score while the participation rate is nearly to 100% which are:

- SAT funded for Massachusetts, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Virginia and South Dakota etc.
- ACT funded for Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Michigan and Illinois etc.



**Thank you**

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