SAT & ACT Data Analysis

SAT or ACT low participation rate

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Problem Statement

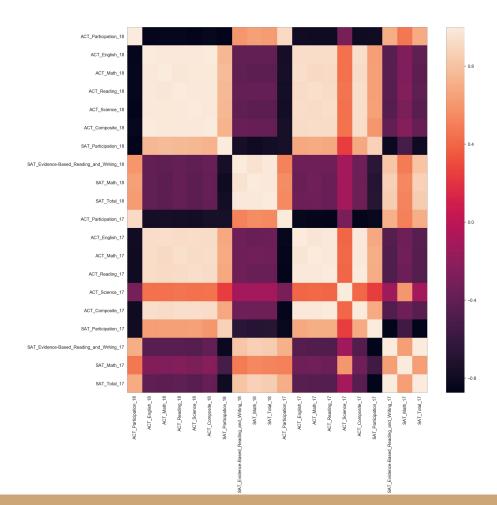
There has been a change in the participation rate.

And look into the reason why there is low participation for the exams

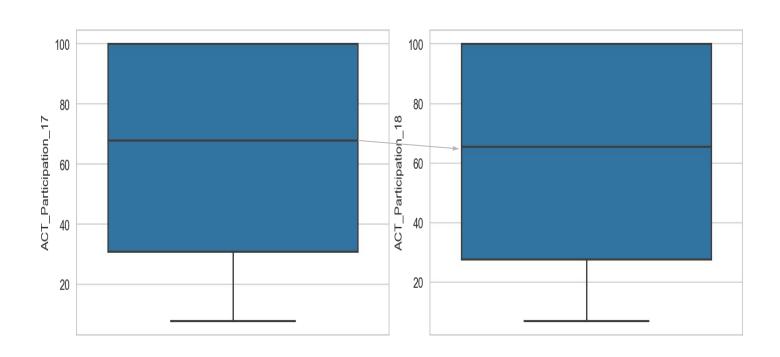
ACT VS SAT exam modules

ACT	SAT
English	Evidence based reading and writing
Science	Math
Math	
Reading	

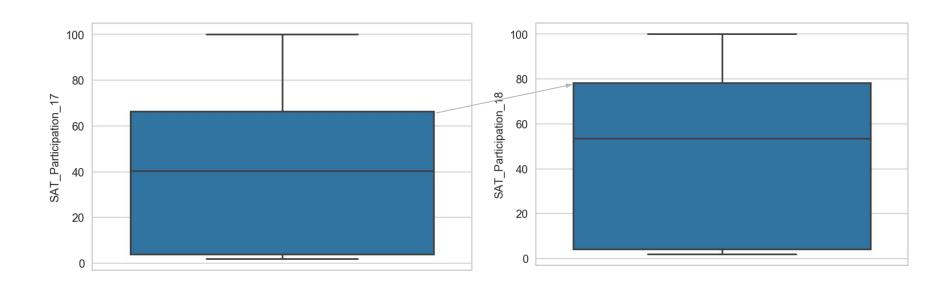
Generated Heat Map



ACT participation change



SAT participation change



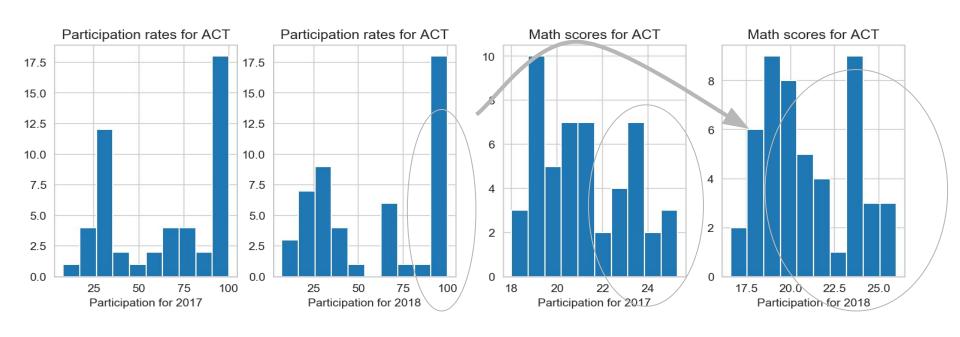
Changes in ACT format (2018)

- -No changes
- -Already have existing no score penalty system
- -Standardised with school curriculum

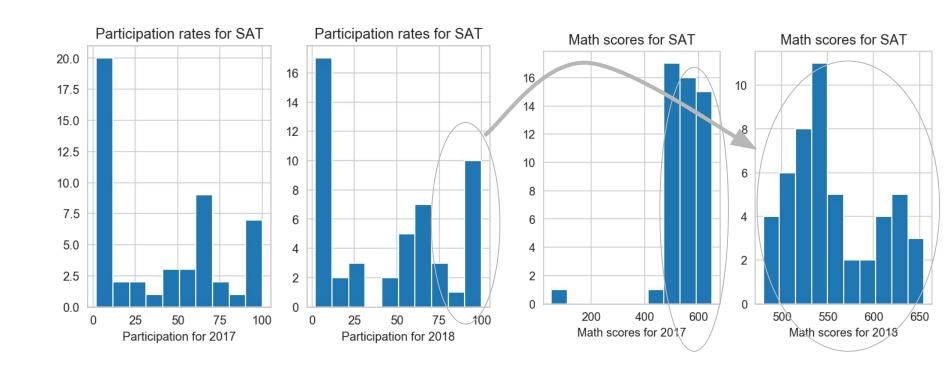
Changes in SAT format (2018)

- -There is no score penalty for incorrect answers on the SAT exam
- -Old SAT the max score was 2400, but current SAT the max score is just 1600
- -College Board is teaming up with Khan Academy to provide free, online test prep.

Changes to passing rate in ACT



Changes to passing rate in SAT



Conclusion

- -Due to the changes in SAT terms in 2018, lead to the rise in popularity in students taking SAT exams
- -This is further backed by the higher rate of score of SAT, due to the removal of score penalty
- -Even so ACT has a higher participation rate than SAT

Recommendations

-if SAT popularity persist, ACT can merge Reading and English as 1 module to reduce the number of exam modules, students need to take to gain popularity as it may indicate that students value the passing rate

-For SAT to be more popular, they may opt to standardise their exam format to encourage students who are more risk adverse