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Glossary-2019 SAT Report

This glossary defines key terms shown on the school, district, county, and state level 2019 SAT Report.

Background

The New SAT, launched by the College Board in March 2016, has two sections:

- Evidence-Based Reading & Writing (ERW)
- Mathematics.

While the previous SAT had four sections—Mathematics, Critical Reading, Writing, and Essay — with a total possible combined scale score of 2,400, the new SAT has a total possible combined scale score of 1,600. (The scale score for each section ranges from 200 to 800.) In addition, the new SAT established grade level benchmarks.

The California Department of Education (CDE) has long held a data agreement with the College Board that allows it to match SAT test takers to California public schools in order to produce an SAT report for each school and district. In previous reports, the CDE provided results for the graduating cohort, as defined by the College Board.

However, in 2019 the College Board discontinued its practice of providing SAT results for a graduating cohort. The CDE now receives a data file containing SAT results for all annual test takers (e.g., August 25, 2018 through June 1, 2019) in grades 8 through 12. The CDE then aggregates these results to produce separate grade 11 and grade 12 reports with school, district, county, and state-level data.

The College Board does not provide student grade level information in the annual test data file. The CDE used a student's graduation date and birth date to determine the grade in which the student took the test.

SAT College and Career Readiness Benchmarks by Grade

Grade	Evidence-Based Reading and Writing (ERW)	Mathematics
Grade 12	480	530
Grade 11	460	510

An SAT report is provided for all California public schools where Grade 11 or 12 enrollment is equal to or greater than 15 students OR at least one Grade 11 or Grade 12 student took the SAT.

- Reports are not provided for adult education schools or Regional Occupation Centers/Programs.
- SAT results for California Education Authority (CEA) schools are not reported at the school or district levels. However, they are rolled up to the county and state levels.
- If fewer than 15 students took the SAT at a school, district, or county, an asterisk (*) is used instead of the number or percentage to preserve student anonymity.
- If zero (0) students took the SAT at a school, district, or county, but grade 12 enrollment was equal to or greater than 15, then an 'N/A' is used instead of the number or percentage.

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The terms described below are listed in the order in which they appear in the table.

Name

Name of county, local educational agency (LEA) or school.

Enrollment 12

Grade 12 Enrollment is the number of students enrolled in grade 12 as reported by LEAs in the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) as of Fall Census Day, October 3, 2018.

Grade 12 Number Tested

Grade 12 Number Tested is the number of students in grade 12 with SAT exam scores as reported by the College Board. (Note: The College Board provides their Attending Institution [AI] code based on the school name inputted by the student on the SAT exam. The CDE uses the College Board's AI code/National Center for Education Statistics School ID [NCES ID] crosswalk to identify the school's County-District-School (CDS) code so that students' SAT scores can be linked to the appropriate school.) **Grade 12 Number Meeting ERW Benchmark**

The number of students who met or exceeded the grade 12 ERW benchmark.

Grade 12 Percent Meeting ERW Benchmark

The percent of students who met or exceeded the grade 12 ERW benchmark. The percent is calculated by dividing the "Grade 12 Number Meeting ERW Benchmark" by the "Grade 12 Number Tested".

Grade 12 Number Meeting Math Benchmark

The number of students who met or exceeded the grade 12 Mathematics benchmark.

Grade 12 Percent Meeting Math Benchmark

The percent of students who met or exceeded the grade 12 Mathematics benchmark. The percent is calculated by dividing the "Grade 12 Number of Students Meeting Math Benchmark" by the "Grade 12 Number Tested."

Grade 11 Enrollment

Grade 11 Enrollment is the number of students enrolled in grade 11 as reported by LEAs in the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) as of Fall Census Day, October 3, 2018.

Grade 11 Number Tested

Grade 11 Number Tested is the number of students in grade 11 with SAT exam scores as reported by the College Board. (Note: The College Board provides their Attending Institution [AI] code based on the school name inputted by the student on the SAT exam. The CDE uses the College Board's AI code/National Center for Education Statistics School ID [NCES ID] crosswalk to identify the school's County-District-School (CDS) code so that students' SAT scores can be linked to the appropriate school.)

Grade 11 Number Meeting ERW Benchmark

The number of students who met or exceeded the grade 11 ERW benchmark.

Grade 11 Percent Meeting ERW Benchmark

The percent of students who met or exceeded the grade 11 ERW benchmark. The percent is calculated by dividing the "Grade 11 Number Meeting ERW Benchmark" by the "Grade 11 Number Tested".

Grade 11 Number Meeting Math Benchmark

The number of students who met or exceeded the grade 11 Mathematics benchmark.

Grade 11 Percent Meeting Math Benchmark

The percent of students who met or exceeded the grade 11 Mathematics benchmark. The percent is calculated by dividing the "Grade 11 Number of Students Meeting Math Benchmark" by the "Grade 11 Number Tested."

Additional Data Available in Downloadable File

Due to space limitations on the CDE webpage, the CDE included the following additional data fields in the downloadable file.

Grade 12 Total Number Meeting Both Benchmarks

The number of students who met or exceeded both the ERW and mathematics benchmarks for grade 12.

Grade 12 Percent Meeting Both Benchmarks

The percent of students who met or exceeded both the ERW and mathematics benchmarks for grade 12. The percent is calculated by dividing the "Grade 12 Number of Students Meeting Math Both Benchmarks" by the "Grade 12 Number Tested."

Grade 11 Total Number Meeting Both Benchmarks

The number of students who met or exceeded both the ERW and mathematics benchmarks for grade 11.

Grade 11 Percent Meeting Both Benchmarks

The percent of students who met or exceeded both the ERW and mathematics benchmarks for grade 11. The percent is calculated by dividing the "Grade 11 Number of Students Meeting Math Both Benchmarks" by the "Grade 11 Number Tested."

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