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# ACT vs SAT

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# Problem & Agenda

Should high school students take the ACT or SAT?

- Participation rates of ACT and SAT
- Average ACT and SAT scores
- Average scores vs National Average

# What's the Difference?

## ACT

- Structure: English, Math, Reading, Science
- Scale: 1 to 36
- Timing: 175 minutes
- Questions: 215

## SAT

- Structure: Evidence Based Reading and Writing, Math
- Scale: 400- 1600
- Timing: 180 minutes
- Questions: 154

# Statistics between 2017- 2019

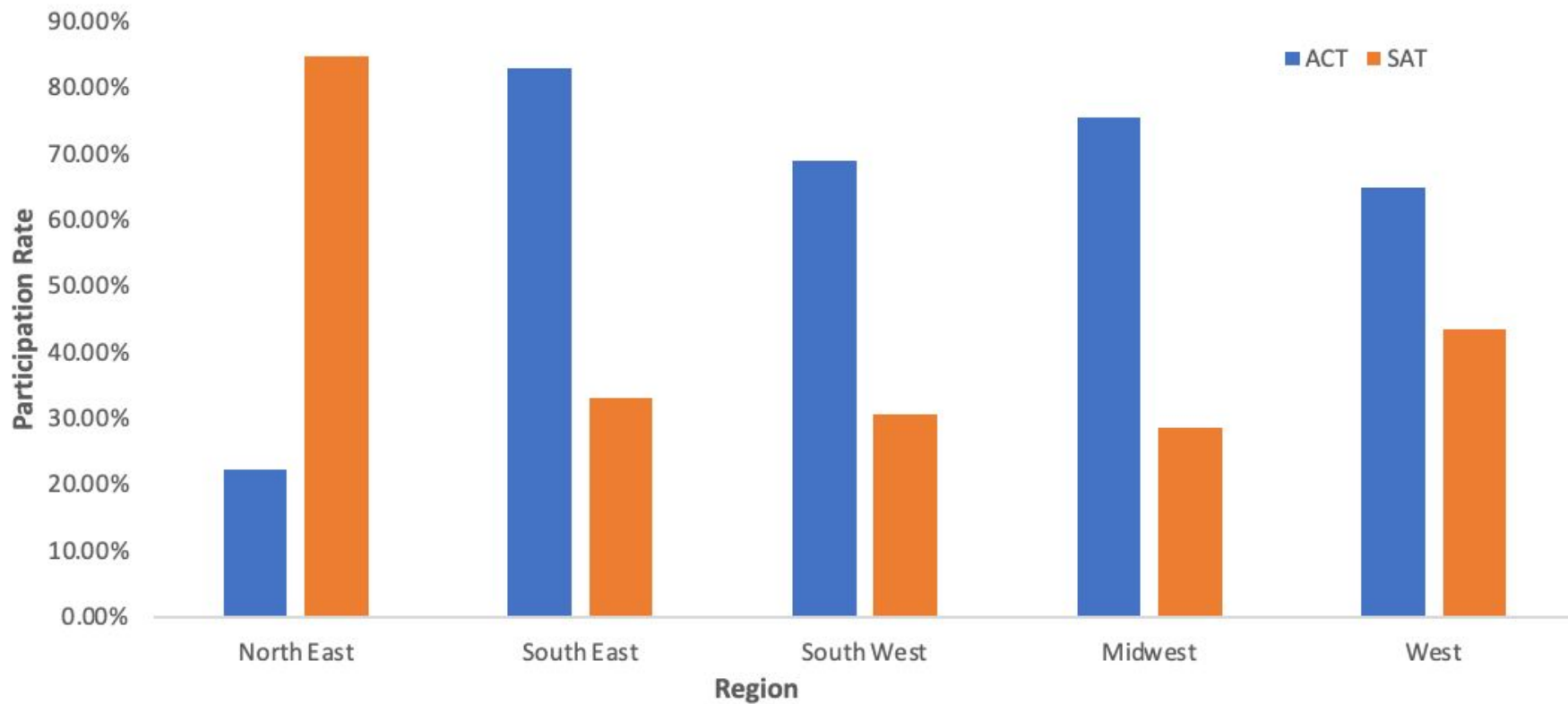
## ACT

- Average composite score: **21.49**
- Average participation rate: **62%**

## SAT

- Average total score: **1119.73**
- Average participation rate: **45%**

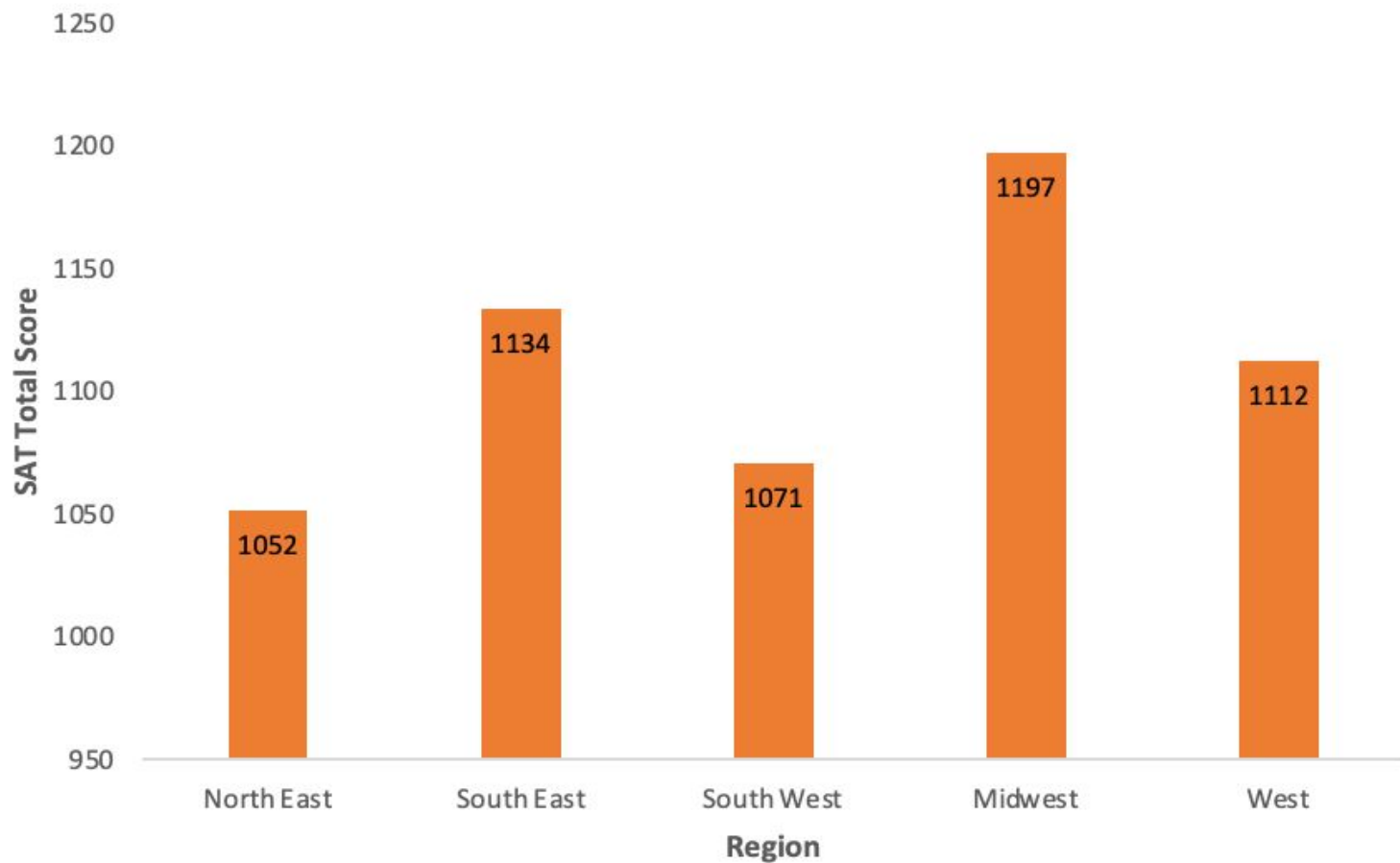
## ACT and SAT Participation by Region



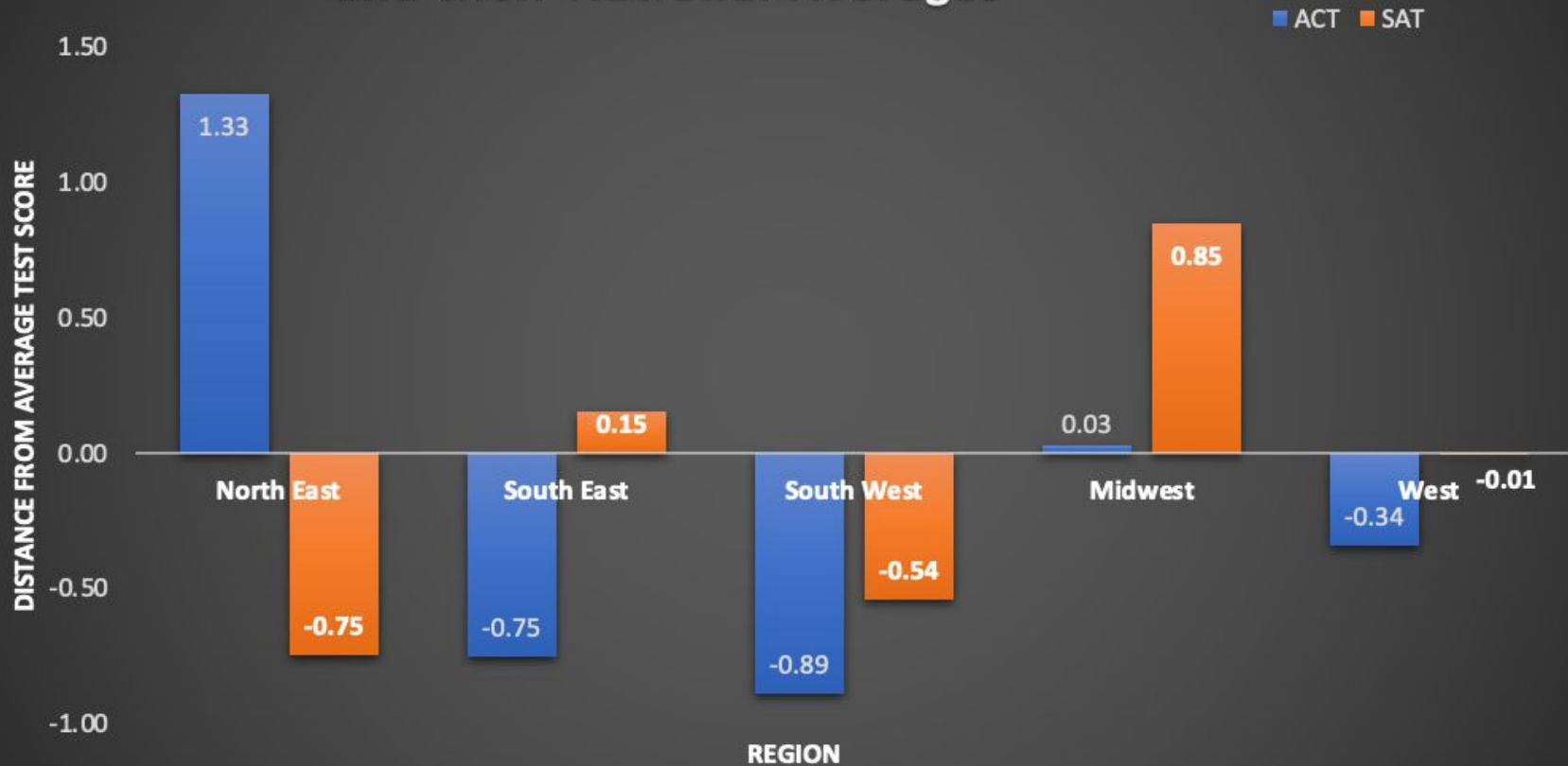
## ACT Composite Scores by Region



## SAT Total Scores by Region



# Difference between ACT and SAT Scores and their National Averages





# ACT or SAT?

**It depends!** One test may better align with your personal strengths and level of knowledge. Also, your school district in a specific region may have more an emphasis on subjects better aligned to one standardized test over another.

# Questions?