



# SAT 2017 analysis

STATE INSIGHT AND RECOMMENDATIONS WITH CENSUS DATA

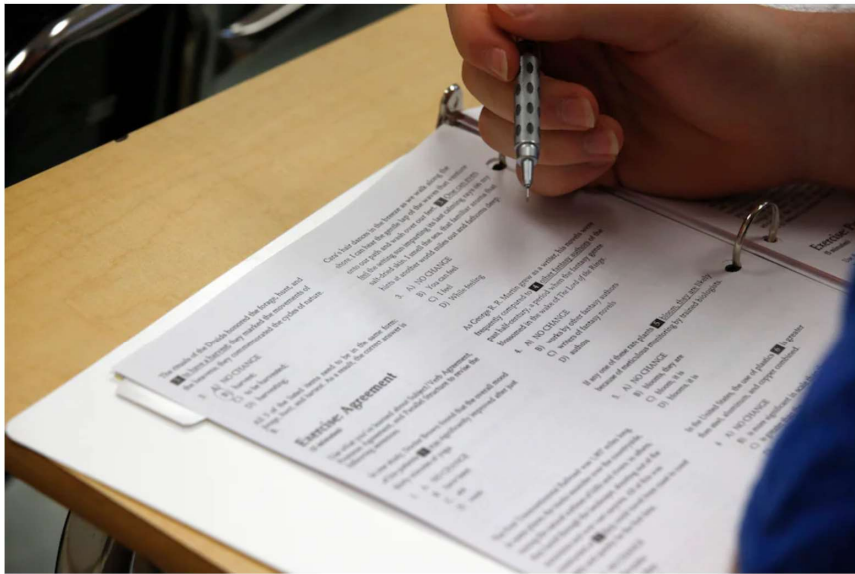
# Intro

- ▶ Discuss SAT present day
- ▶ Discuss the data
- ▶ Discuss performances on SAT
  - ▶ Statistics
- ▶ Discuss variables to assist (Census data)
  - ▶ Statistics
- ▶ Future studies
- ▶ Conclusions/Recommendations

# SAT News

Answer Sheet • Perspective

**Critics foresee Armageddon if colleges don't use SAT/ACT scores in admissions. Here's why that's wrong.**



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## IU no longer requiring ACT or SAT scores

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# Dataset explanation

- ▶ SAT 2017 (Participation, Read/Write, Math, Total)
  - ▶ 1.7 million at least one time
  - ▶ First test 1926(Army IQ test)
  - ▶ 2005 updated to reflect value of effective writing
- ▶ Census data
  - ▶ Poverty
    - ▶ Single person under 65 with annual income of US\$12,760
  - ▶ Unemployment
  - ▶ High School Enrollment

# SAT Participation distribution

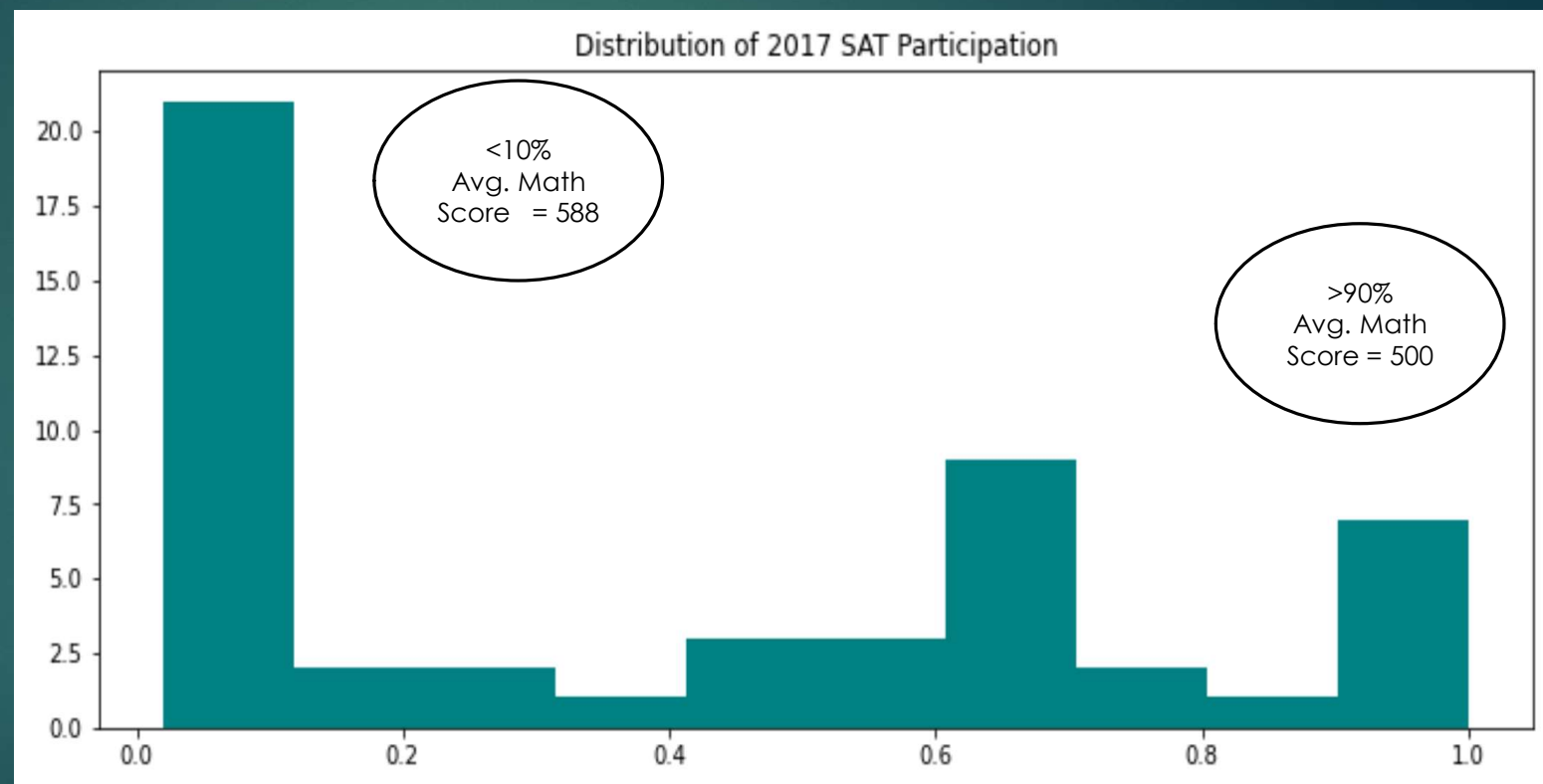
## Statistics:

Standard  
deviation  
-35%

Mean  
-39.8%

Max  
-100%

-Min  
-35%



# SAT Reading distribution

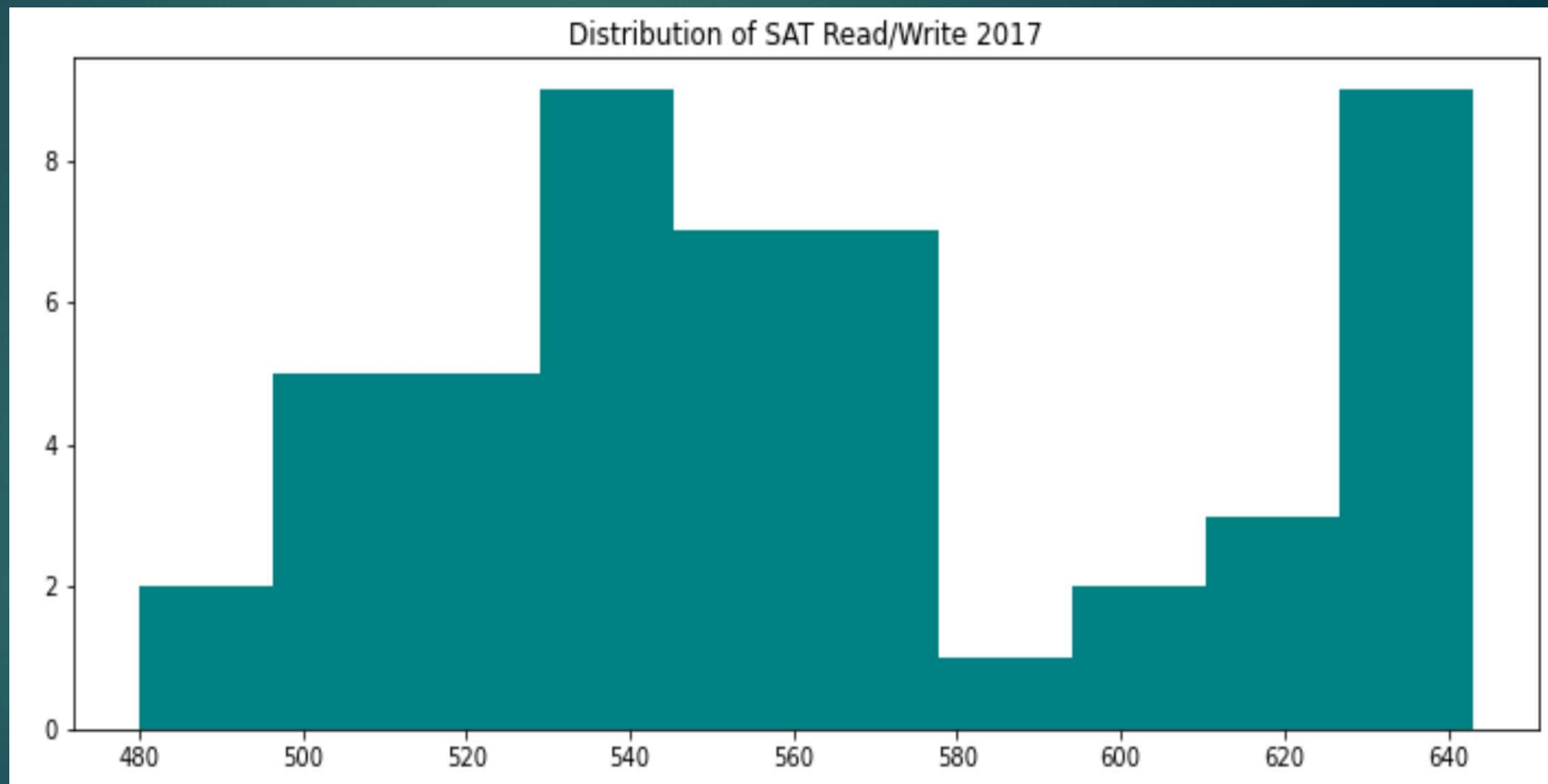
## Statistics:

Standard  
deviation  
-46.9

Mean  
-569

Max  
-644

-Min  
-482



# SAT Math distribution

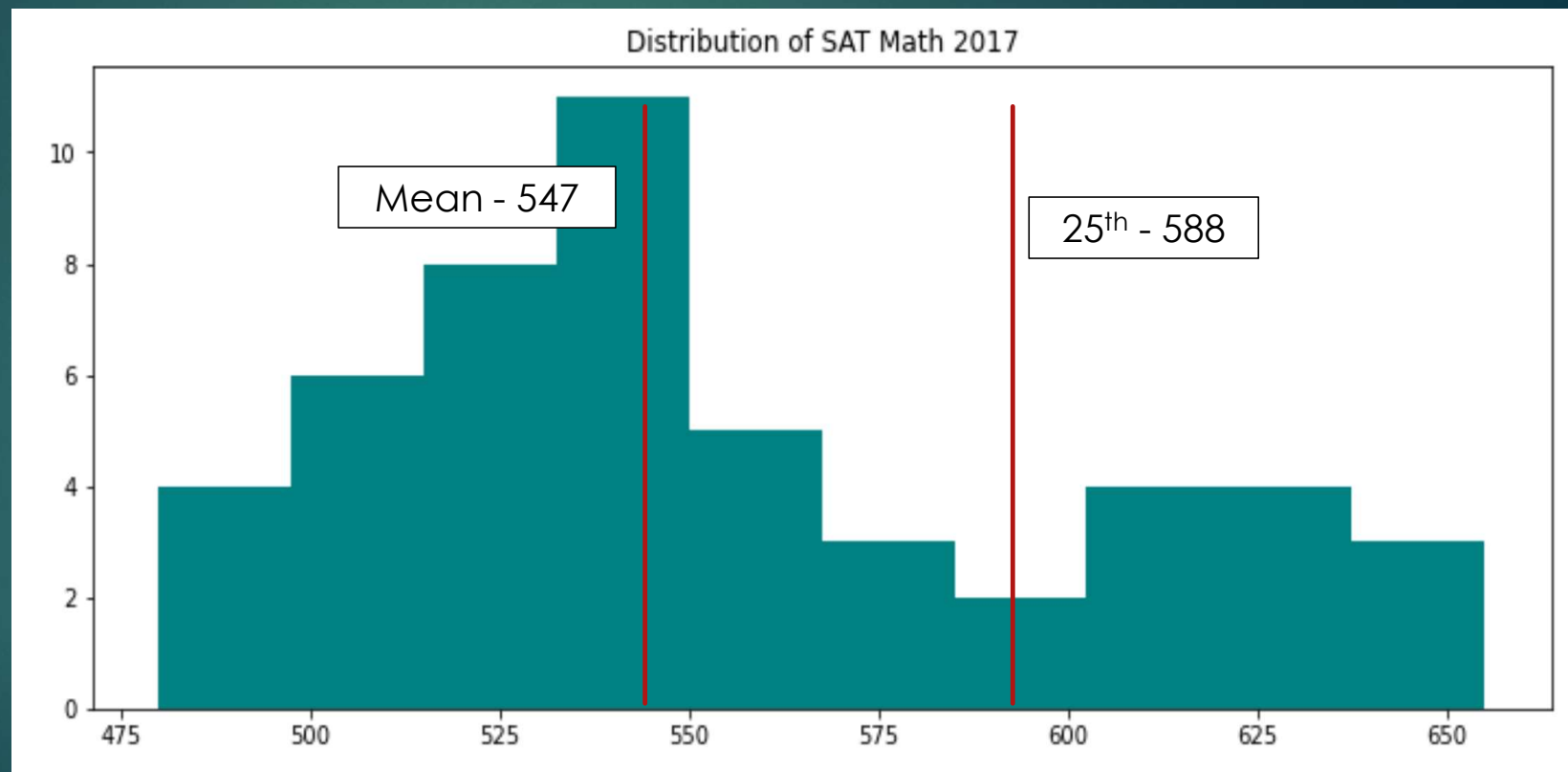
## Statistics:

Standard  
deviation  
-47.2

Mean  
-547

Max  
-651

-Min  
-468



# SAT Total score distribution

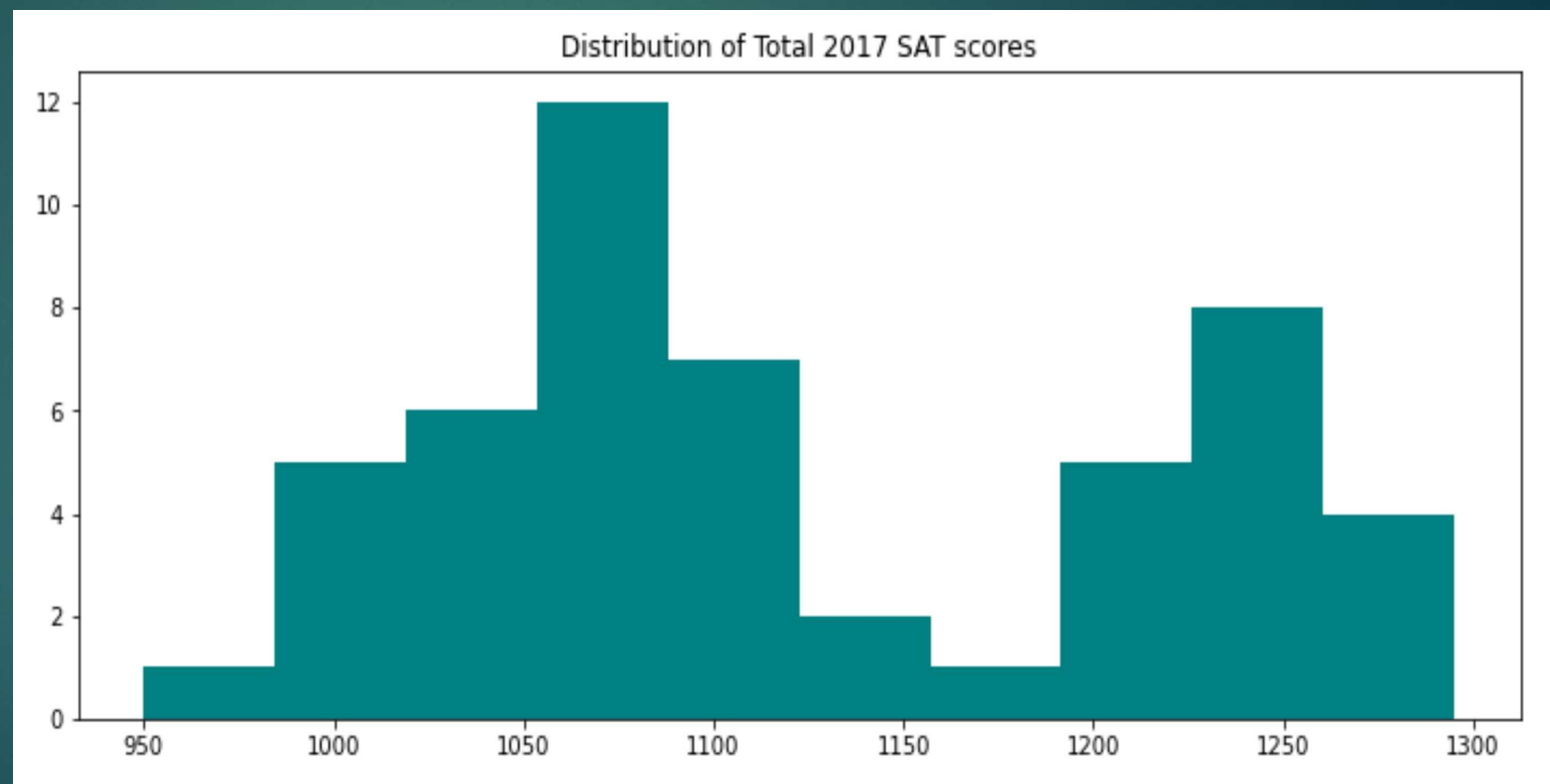
## Statistics:

Standard  
deviation  
-92.5

Mean  
-1126

Max  
-1295

-Min  
-950





# High School enrollment distribution

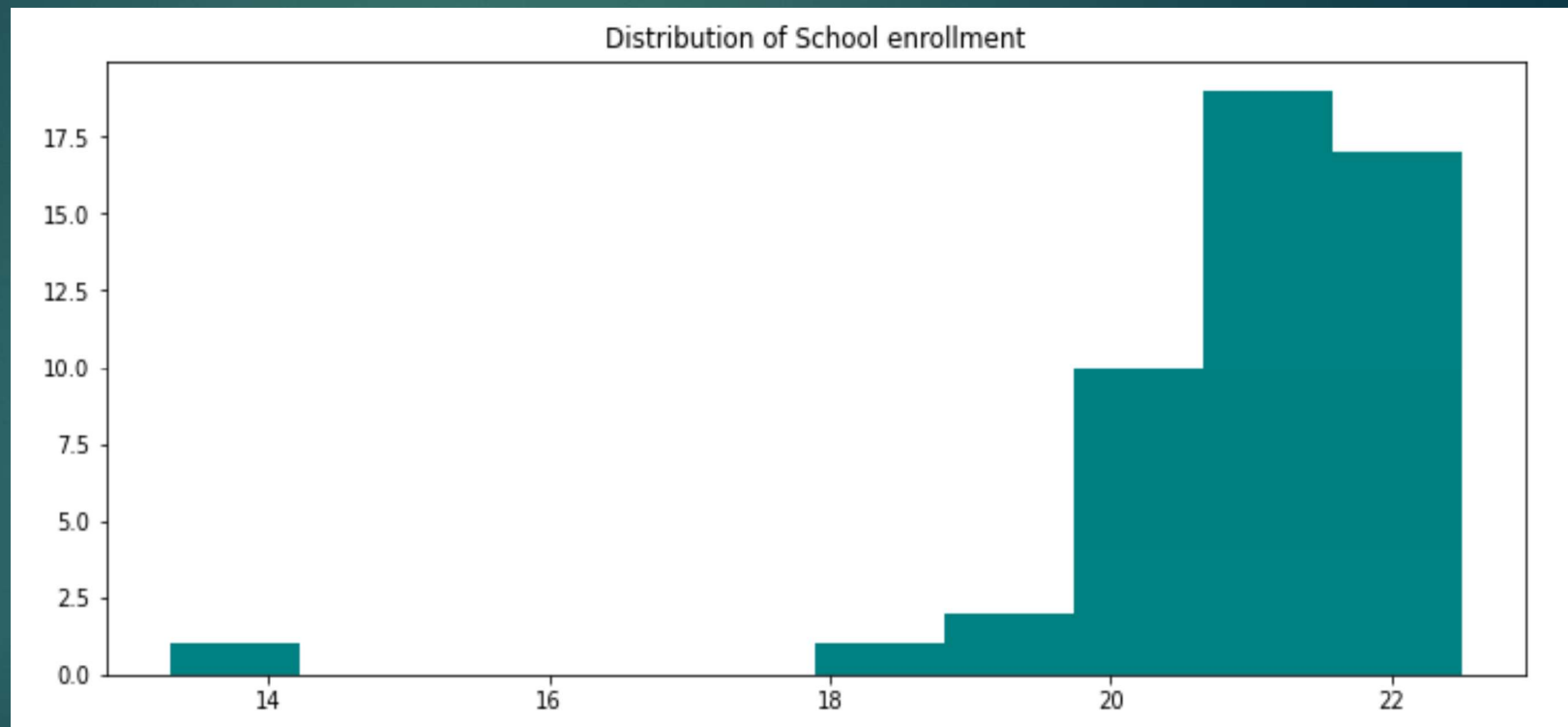
## Statistics:

Standard  
deviation  
-1.37

Mean  
-20.9

Max  
-22.5

-Min  
-13.3



# High School Enrollment correlation

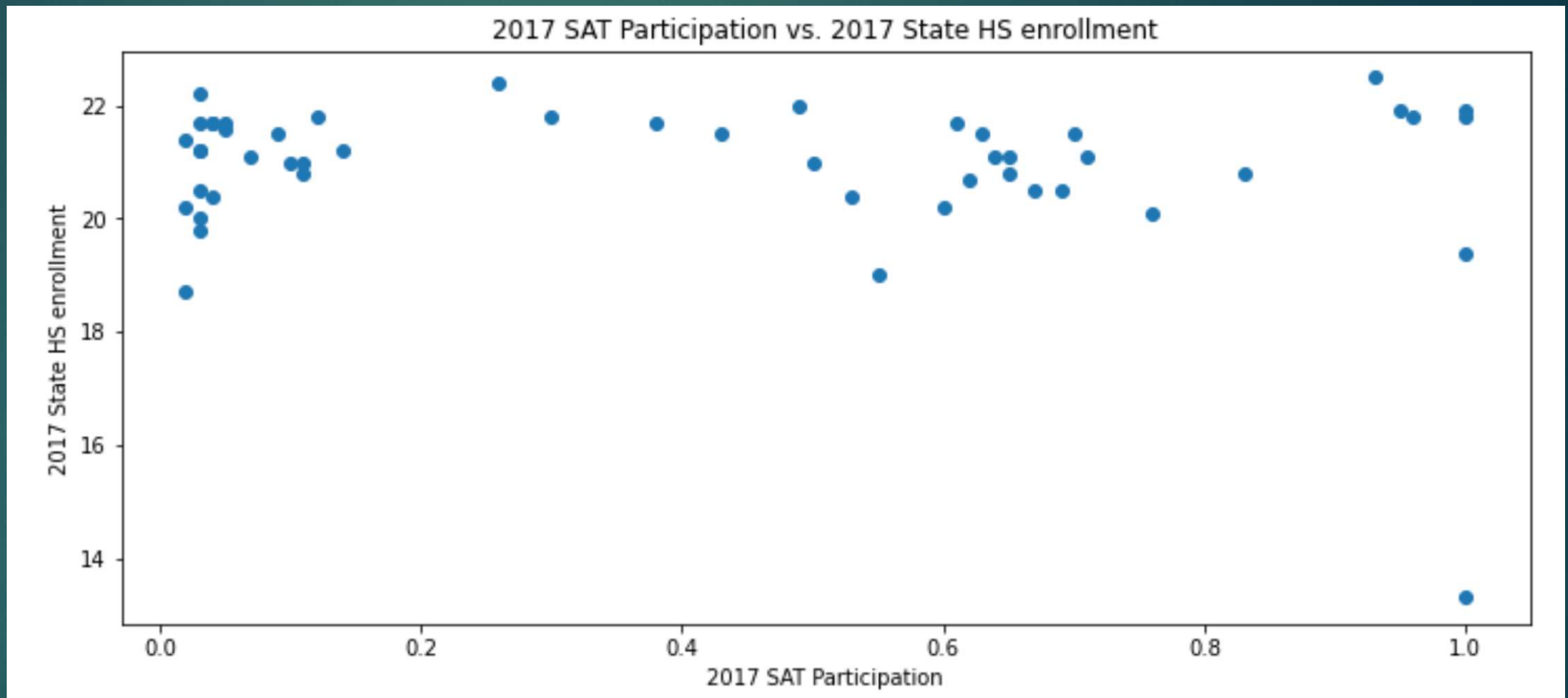
## Correlation:

Participation  
-0.16

Read/Write  
0.13

Math  
0.10

Total  
0.12



# Poverty status distribution

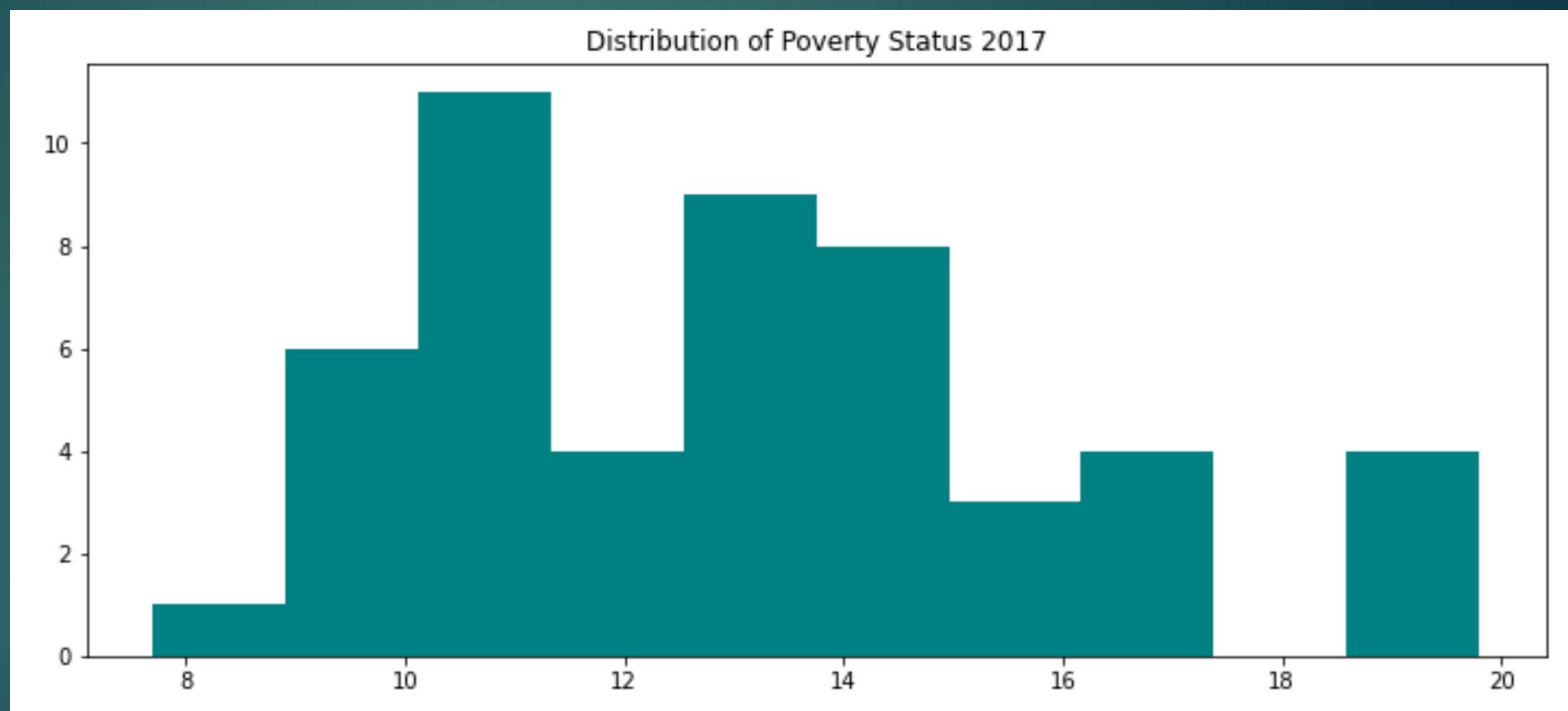
## Statistics:

Standard  
deviation  
-2.93

Mean  
-13.2%

Max  
-19.8%

-Min  
-7.7%



# Poverty status correlation

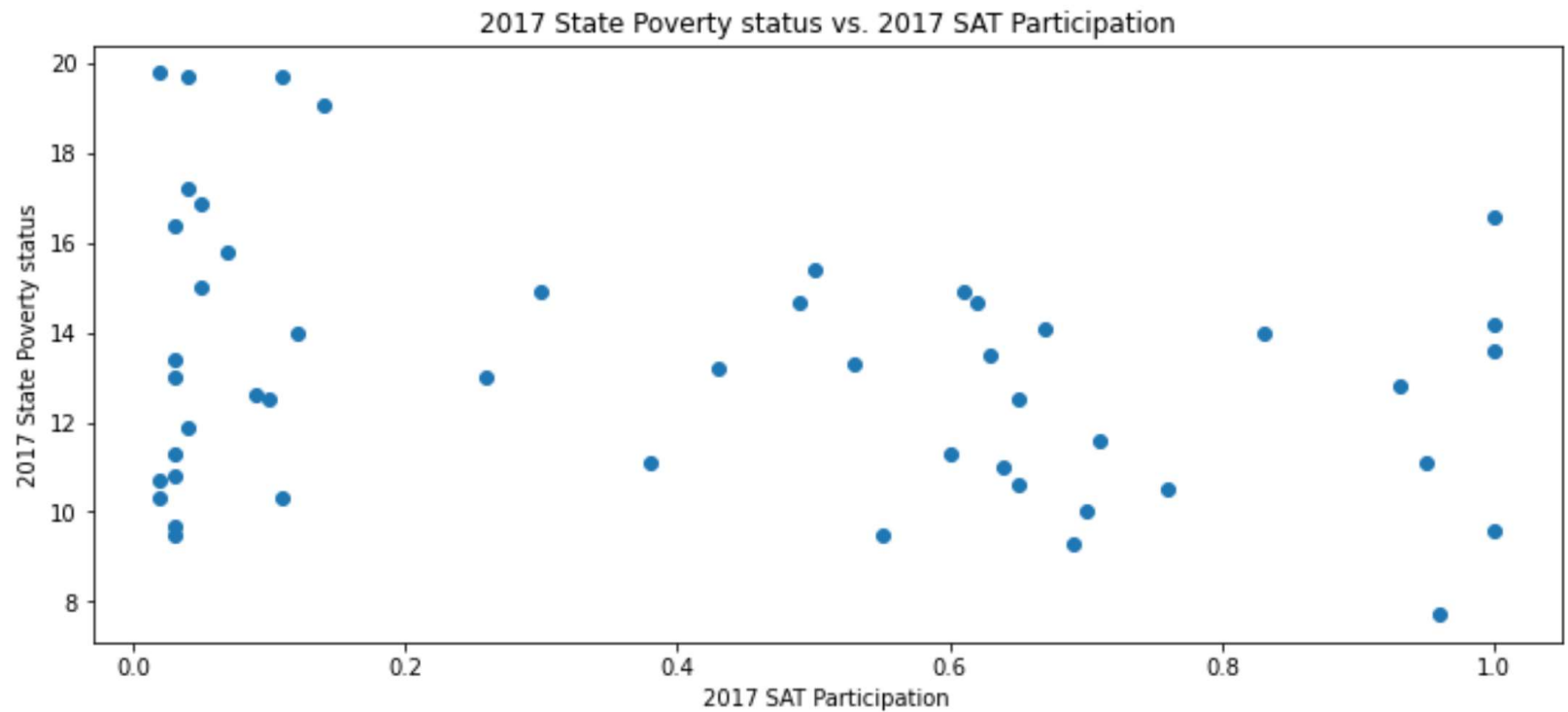
## Correlation:

Participation  
-0.27

Read/Write  
-0.032

Math  
-0.059

Total  
-0.014



# Unemployment distribution

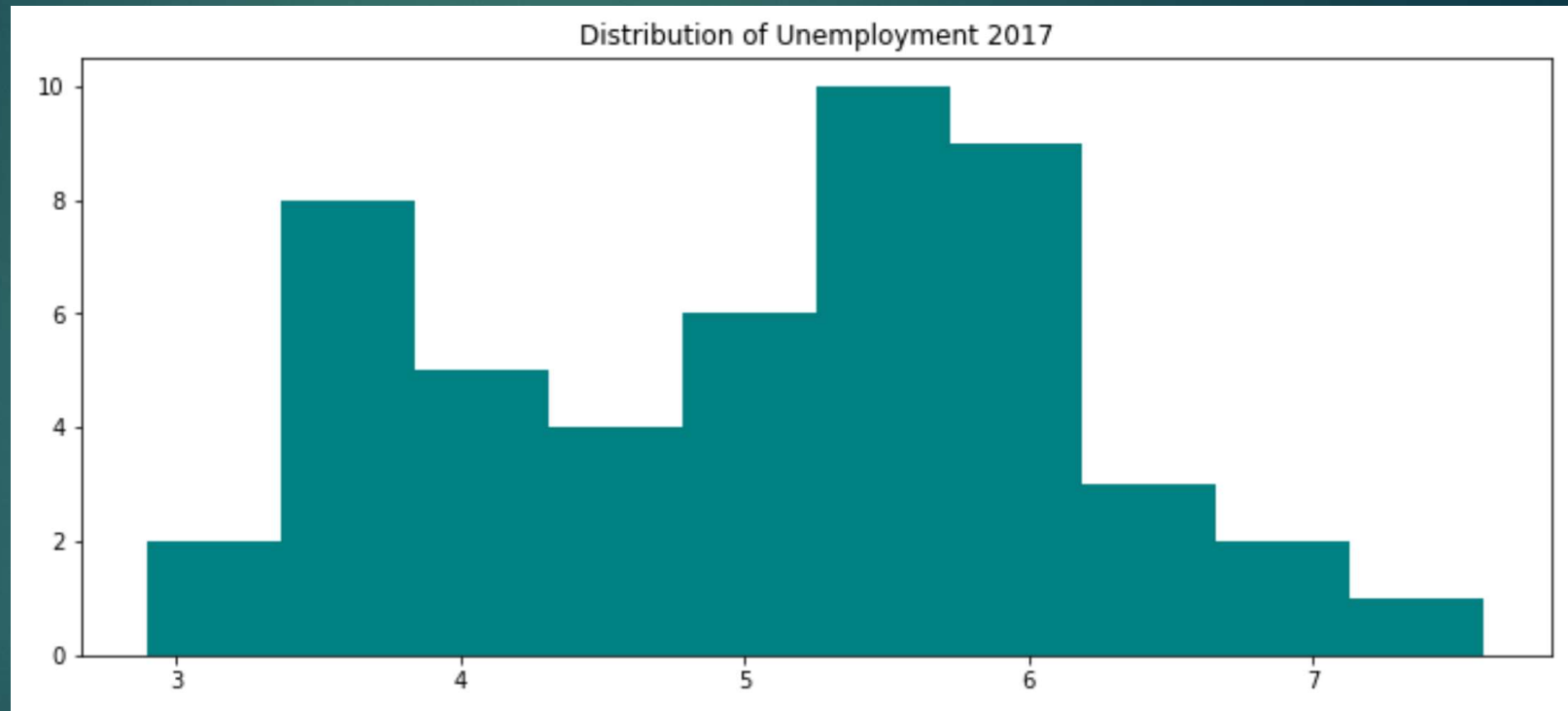
## Statistics:

Standard  
deviation  
-1.08

Mean  
-5.1

Max  
-7.6

-Min  
-2.9



# Unemployment correlation- SAT Math

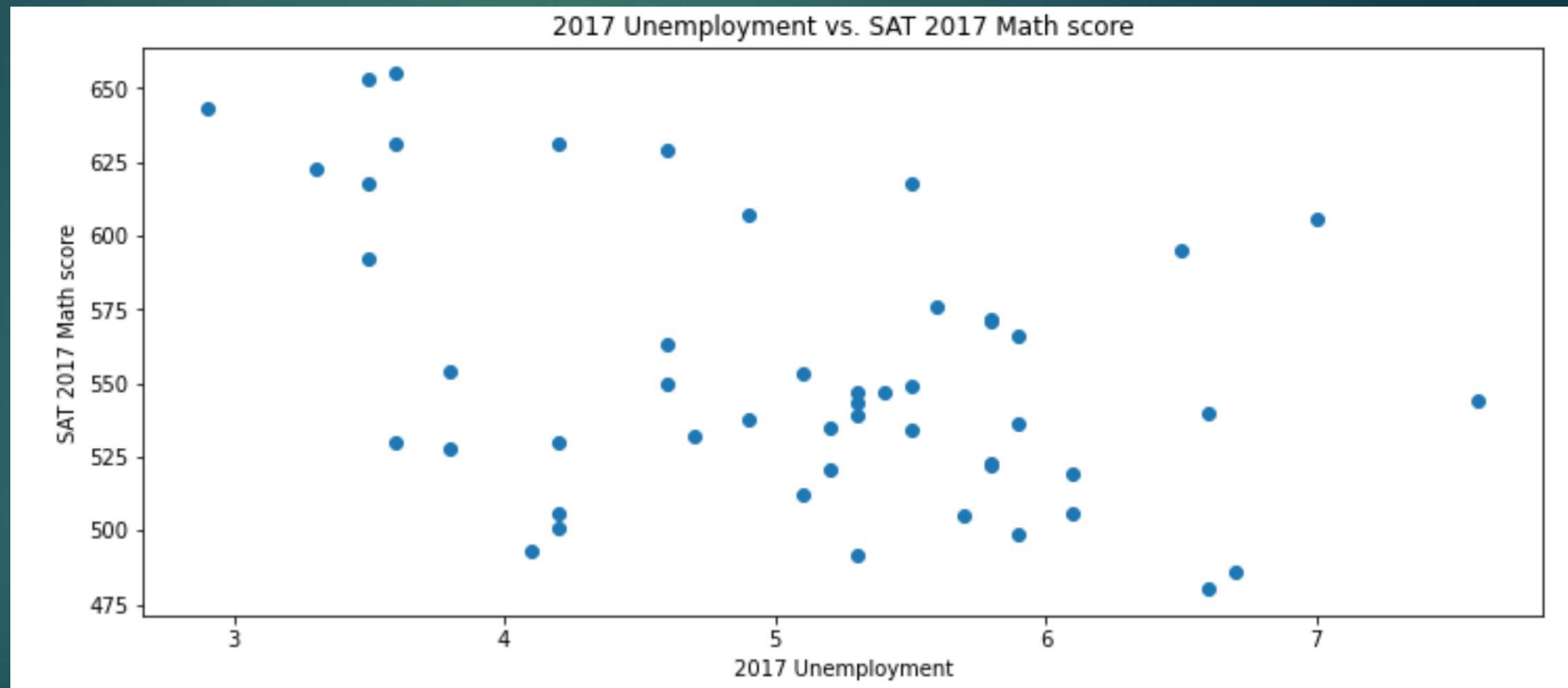
## Correlation:

Participation  
0.13

Read/Write  
-0.39

Math  
-0.46

Total  
-0.43



# Unemployment correlation- SAT Total Score

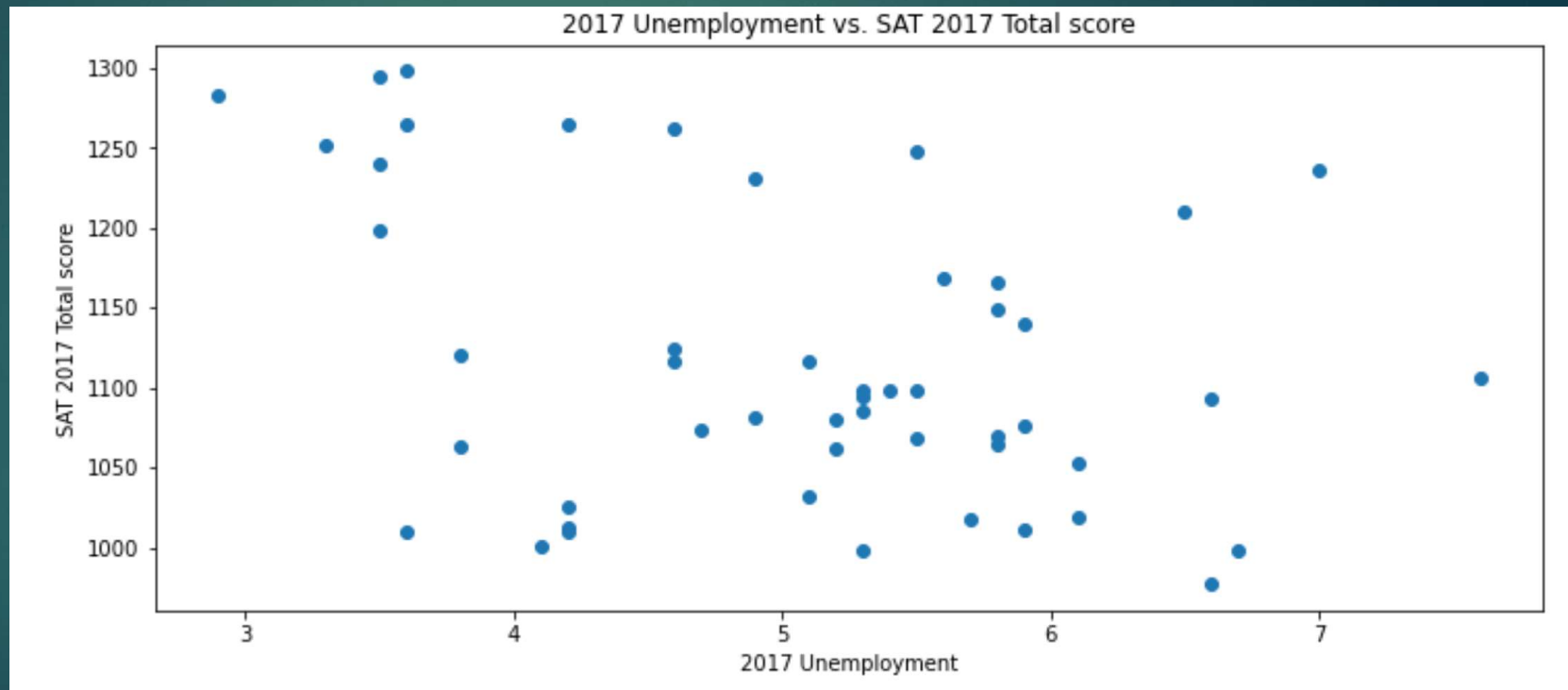
## Correlation:

Participation  
0.13

Read/Write  
-0.39

Math  
-0.46

Total  
-0.43



# Summary of statistics

	Math_2017	Read/Write_2017	Total_2017	Unemploy_2017
<b>count</b>	50.000000	50.000000	50.000000	50.000000
<b>mean</b>	554.860000	562.300000	1117.280000	5.068000
<b>std</b>	47.226769	46.931235	93.035003	1.080333
<b>min</b>	480.000000	480.000000	977.000000	2.900000
<b>25%</b>	522.250000	534.250000	1055.250000	4.200000
<b>50%</b>	543.500000	551.000000	1096.000000	5.250000
<b>75%</b>	588.000000	603.250000	1190.750000	5.800000
<b>max</b>	655.000000	643.000000	1298.000000	7.600000



Top correlation – (number and  
scatterplot with line)



# Future studies

- ▶ Top 25<sup>th</sup> percentile focus analysis
- ▶ Remove outliers
- ▶ Utilize multiple years
- ▶ More in-depth study of variables related to the 3 census data points
- ▶ More variable
  - ▶ Crime rate
  - ▶ School funding
  - ▶ etc

# Conclusions/Recommendations

- ▶ Recommend getting too top 25 by focusing more on the Math
- ▶ Gain insight on the top Reading/Writing performers are doing
- ▶ Job creation may be worth focusing on
- ▶ Don't just focus on participation
- ▶ A forum with the successful Total score group could improve 1000 pts