

# PSAT/NMSQT®

2014-2015 COLLEGE-BOUND  
HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS

## SUMMARY REPORT

Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test

## ALABAMA

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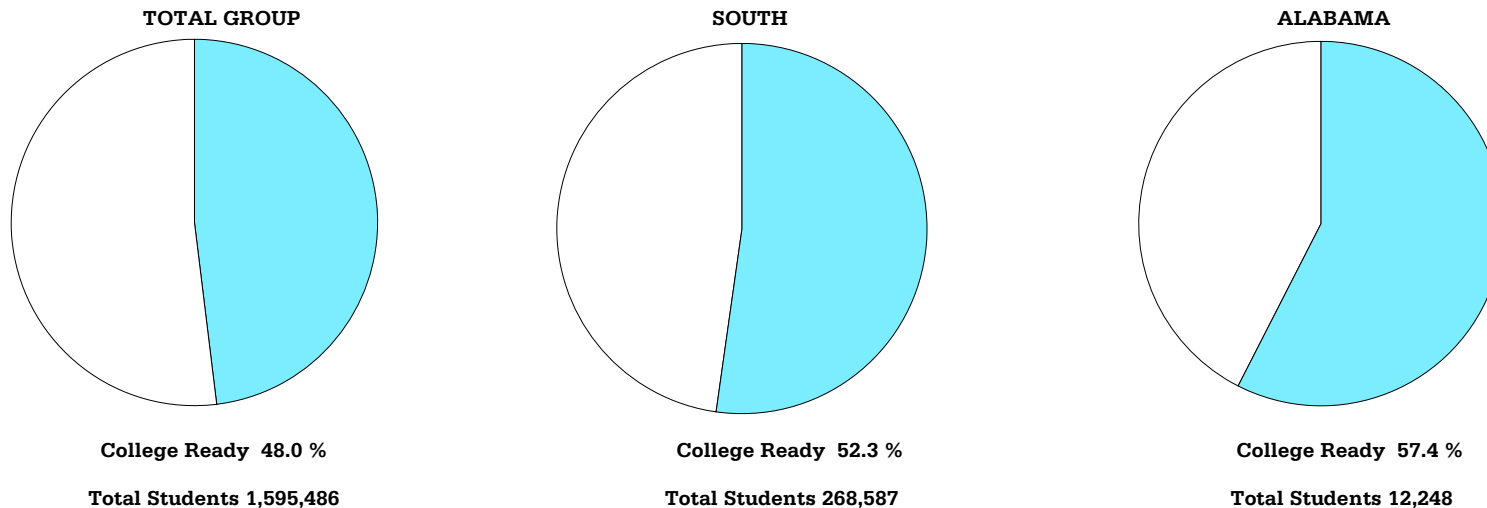


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**FIGURE 1: ON TRACK TO BE COLLEGE AND CAREER READY**

The PSAT/NMSQT College Readiness Benchmark represents the score that a student should meet or exceed to be considered on track to be college ready (for more information about benchmarks, check out [www.collegeboard.org/results](http://www.collegeboard.org/results)). The pie charts below show the percentage of students in the nation, your region, and your state who have met the PSAT/NMSQT composite score benchmark (142 for juniors and 133 for sophomores).

Use this information in combination with the optional Student Data File CD to identify students who may need extra support or who may be ready for more rigorous course work. In addition, PSAT/NMSQT Summary of Answers and Skills (SOAS) reports can help you target skills to improve with aggregate skills feedback.



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See last page of this report for the list of states included in your region.

**TABLE 1: NUMBER OF JUNIORS TAKING THE PSAT/NMSQT®**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		ALABAMA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Male	750,929	47.2	124,561	46.5	5,422	44.4
Female	839,350	52.8	143,228	53.5	6,800	55.6
No Response	5,207		798		26	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,595,486</b>		<b>268,587</b>		<b>12,248</b>	

**TABLE 2: ETHNIC BACKGROUND**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		ALABAMA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
American Indian or Alaska Native	12,145	0.8	1,522	0.6	88	0.7
Asian, Asian American, or Pacific Islander	144,275	9.5	16,833	6.5	509	4.2
Black or African American	181,712	12.0	49,563	19.1	2,111	17.5
Hispanic, Latino, or Latin American	311,728	20.5	32,678	12.6	384	3.2
White	811,645	53.5	149,006	57.5	8,691	72.3
Other	56,542	3.7	9,408	3.6	246	2.0
No Response	77,439		9,577		219	

**TABLE 3: PARTICIPATING IN STUDENT SEARCH SERVICE®**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		ALABAMA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	1,374,684	86.2	237,094	88.3	11,322	92.4
No	220,802	13.8	31,493	11.7	926	7.6

**TABLE 4: SELF-REPORTED GRADE AVERAGE**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		ALABAMA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
A+ (97-100)	72,120	4.9	16,138	6.4	950	8.0
A (93-96)	324,984	21.9	64,387	25.4	3,471	29.1
A- (90-92)	316,047	21.3	54,058	21.3	2,714	22.8
B+ (87-89)	266,041	17.9	43,550	17.2	1,860	15.6
B (83-86)	242,019	16.3	37,969	15.0	1,565	13.1
B- (80-82)	119,934	8.1	17,677	7.0	711	6.0
C+ (77-79)	78,252	5.3	11,203	4.4	359	3.0
C (73-76)	44,148	3.0	6,123	2.4	215	1.8
C- (70-72)	14,436	1.0	1,745	0.7	58	0.5
D+ (67-69)	4,553	0.3	450	0.2	10	0.1
D (65-66)	2,330	0.2	220	0.1	9	0.1
E or F (Below 65)	1,068	0.1	74	0.0	1	0.0
No Response	109,554		14,993		325	

**TABLE 5: YEAR COMPLETING HIGH SCHOOL AND ENTERING COLLEGE**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		ALABAMA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2015	10,077	0.6	1,655	0.6	19	0.2
2016	1,529,666	97.6	259,675	97.9	12,105	99.2
2017	13,401	0.9	2,141	0.8	43	0.4
After 2017	4,382	0.3	508	0.2	12	0.1
Not Planning College	9,240	0.6	1,286	0.5	27	0.2
No Response	28,720		3,322		42	

**TABLE 6: PSAT/NMSQT® SCORES - CRITICAL READING**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		ALABAMA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	12,269	0.8	2,175	0.8	65	0.5
70-74	40,435	2.5	7,617	2.8	322	2.6
65-69	50,059	3.1	9,735	3.6	424	3.5
60-64	132,960	8.3	26,902	10.0	1,352	11.0
55-59	151,282	9.5	28,442	10.6	1,419	11.6
50-54	262,519	16.5	48,372	18.0	2,510	20.5
45-49	241,246	15.1	40,755	15.2	2,006	16.4
40-44	277,848	17.4	45,037	16.8	2,047	16.7
35-39	205,506	12.9	30,143	11.2	1,169	9.5
30-34	123,731	7.8	16,808	6.3	581	4.7
25-29	65,274	4.1	8,586	3.2	236	1.9
20-24	32,357	2.0	4,015	1.5	117	1.0
TOTAL	1,595,486		268,587		12,248	
Mean Score	46.9		48.3		49.3	
STD. DEV.	11.3		11.1		10.3	

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**MATHEMATICS**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		ALABAMA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	27,200	1.7	3,810	1.4	162	1.3
70-74	39,427	2.5	6,117	2.3	253	2.1
65-69	99,827	6.3	17,566	6.5	791	6.5
60-64	117,266	7.3	20,320	7.6	957	7.8
55-59	190,357	11.9	34,244	12.7	1,623	13.3
50-54	238,624	15.0	41,659	15.5	2,038	16.6
45-49	300,608	18.8	52,086	19.4	2,477	20.2
40-44	206,440	12.9	34,302	12.8	1,617	13.2
35-39	205,350	12.9	32,646	12.2	1,405	11.5
30-34	92,785	5.8	14,160	5.3	554	4.5
25-29	52,906	3.3	7,963	3.0	259	2.1
20-24	24,696	1.5	3,714	1.4	112	0.9
TOTAL	1,595,486		268,587		12,248	
Mean Score	48.6		49.0		49.4	
STD. DEV.	11.8		11.6		11.0	

**WRITING SKILLS**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		ALABAMA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	14,474	0.9	2,389	0.9	106	0.9
70-74	30,945	1.9	6,621	2.5	338	2.8
65-69	58,912	3.7	11,274	4.2	572	4.7
60-64	80,202	5.0	16,323	6.1	880	7.2
55-59	164,768	10.3	31,721	11.8	1,713	14.0
50-54	180,999	11.3	33,025	12.3	1,820	14.9
45-49	277,129	17.4	47,745	17.8	2,361	19.3
40-44	258,258	16.2	41,704	15.5	1,835	15.0
35-39	258,214	16.2	39,723	14.8	1,585	12.9
30-34	133,110	8.3	19,114	7.1	588	4.8
25-29	75,906	4.8	10,333	3.8	250	2.0
20-24	62,569	3.9	8,615	3.2	200	1.6
TOTAL	1,595,486		268,587		12,248	
Mean Score	45.3		46.6		48.6	
STD. DEV.	11.8		11.8		11.0	

**TABLE 6: PSAT/NMSQT® SCORES - MALE - CRITICAL READING**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		ALABAMA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	6,317	0.8	1,139	0.9	42	0.8
70-74	21,196	2.8	4,056	3.3	172	3.2
65-69	25,304	3.4	4,887	3.9	197	3.6
60-64	63,762	8.5	12,677	10.2	642	11.8
55-59	69,523	9.3	12,742	10.2	630	11.6
50-54	117,103	15.6	21,048	16.9	1,069	19.7
45-49	107,379	14.3	17,756	14.3	815	15.0
40-44	125,592	16.7	20,050	16.1	863	15.9
35-39	96,906	12.9	14,250	11.4	499	9.2
30-34	63,366	8.4	8,762	7.0	295	5.4
25-29	35,911	4.8	4,820	3.9	130	2.4
20-24	18,570	2.5	2,374	1.9	68	1.3
TOTAL	750,929		124,561		5,422	
Mean Score	46.7		48.1		49.4	
STD. DEV.	11.8		11.7		10.9	

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**MALE - MATHEMATICS**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		ALABAMA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	17,909	2.4	2,598	2.1	116	2.1
70-74	24,544	3.3	3,866	3.1	157	2.9
65-69	58,730	7.8	10,419	8.4	465	8.6
60-64	63,734	8.5	10,947	8.8	508	9.4
55-59	95,622	12.7	16,827	13.5	827	15.3
50-54	110,359	14.7	18,739	15.0	882	16.3
45-49	129,882	17.3	21,836	17.5	965	17.8
40-44	85,201	11.3	13,855	11.1	606	11.2
35-39	85,862	11.4	13,425	10.8	529	9.8
30-34	41,404	5.5	6,322	5.1	202	3.7
25-29	25,099	3.3	3,782	3.0	107	2.0
20-24	12,583	1.7	1,945	1.6	58	1.1
TOTAL	750,929		124,561		5,422	
Mean Score	49.8		50.2		51.2	
STD. DEV.	12.4		12.2		11.6	

**MALE - WRITING SKILLS**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		ALABAMA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	6,479	0.9	1,036	0.8	46	0.8
70-74	13,265	1.8	2,766	2.2	142	2.6
65-69	25,009	3.3	4,680	3.8	242	4.5
60-64	34,324	4.6	6,946	5.6	350	6.5
55-59	71,197	9.5	13,658	11.0	720	13.3
50-54	79,747	10.6	14,159	11.4	753	13.9
45-49	125,954	16.8	21,431	17.2	1,027	18.9
40-44	120,231	16.0	19,282	15.5	815	15.0
35-39	125,467	16.7	19,345	15.5	748	13.8
30-34	69,329	9.2	10,113	8.1	302	5.6
25-29	42,639	5.7	5,838	4.7	146	2.7
20-24	37,288	5.0	5,307	4.3	131	2.4
TOTAL	750,929		124,561		5,422	
Mean Score	44.4		45.6		47.8	
STD. DEV.	12.0		12.0		11.4	



**TABLE 6: PSAT/NMSQT® SCORES - FEMALE - CRITICAL READING**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		ALABAMA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	5,939	0.7	1,034	0.7	23	0.3
70-74	19,179	2.3	3,547	2.5	150	2.2
65-69	24,680	2.9	4,833	3.4	227	3.3
60-64	68,995	8.2	14,199	9.9	709	10.4
55-59	81,466	9.7	15,635	10.9	787	11.6
50-54	144,823	17.3	27,223	19.0	1,432	21.1
45-49	133,262	15.9	22,892	16.0	1,189	17.5
40-44	151,249	18.0	24,831	17.3	1,182	17.4
35-39	107,685	12.8	15,754	11.0	666	9.8
30-34	59,661	7.1	7,953	5.6	284	4.2
25-29	28,896	3.4	3,712	2.6	102	1.5
20-24	13,515	1.6	1,615	1.1	49	0.7
TOTAL	839,350		143,228		6,800	
Mean Score	47.2		48.5		49.2	
STD. DEV.	10.9		10.6		9.8	

**FEMALE - MATHEMATICS**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		ALABAMA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	9,262	1.1	1,212	0.8	46	0.7
70-74	14,848	1.8	2,243	1.6	96	1.4
65-69	40,965	4.9	7,128	5.0	325	4.8
60-64	53,359	6.4	9,340	6.5	448	6.6
55-59	94,379	11.2	17,360	12.1	794	11.7
50-54	127,719	15.2	22,828	15.9	1,154	17.0
45-49	169,815	20.2	30,084	21.0	1,507	22.2
40-44	120,438	14.3	20,333	14.2	1,007	14.8
35-39	118,531	14.1	19,076	13.3	870	12.8
30-34	50,749	6.0	7,753	5.4	349	5.1
25-29	27,391	3.3	4,124	2.9	150	2.2
20-24	11,894	1.4	1,747	1.2	54	0.8
TOTAL	839,350		143,228		6,800	
Mean Score	47.6		47.9		48.1	
STD. DEV.	11.2		10.9		10.3	

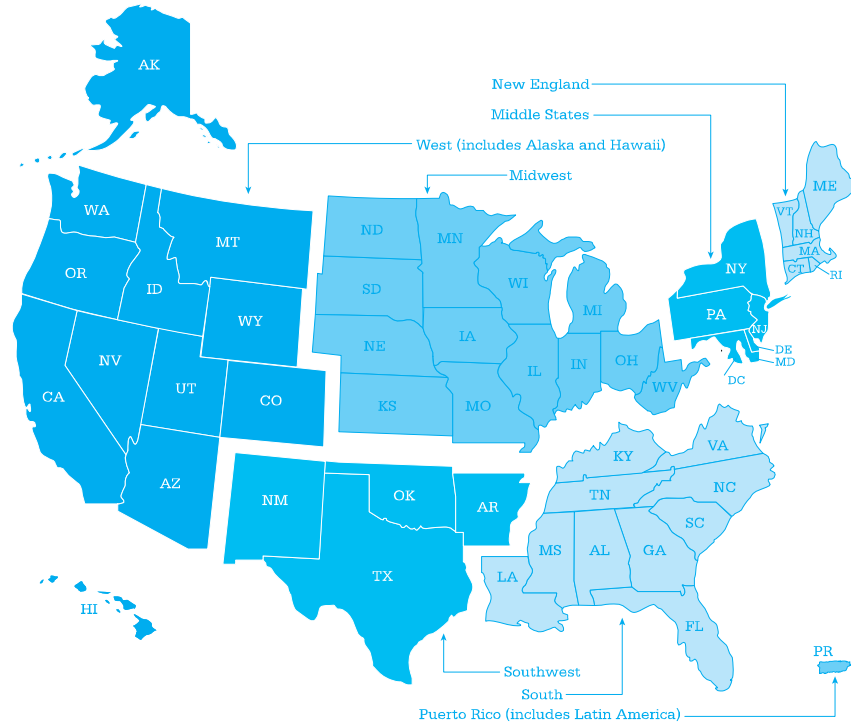
**FEMALE - WRITING SKILLS**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTH		ALABAMA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	7,982	1.0	1,349	0.9	60	0.9
70-74	17,655	2.1	3,850	2.7	196	2.9
65-69	33,832	4.0	6,582	4.6	330	4.9
60-64	45,764	5.5	9,350	6.5	529	7.8
55-59	93,261	11.1	18,003	12.6	988	14.5
50-54	100,894	12.0	18,798	13.1	1,063	15.6
45-49	150,475	17.9	26,202	18.3	1,331	19.6
40-44	137,187	16.3	22,292	15.6	1,018	15.0
35-39	131,705	15.7	20,226	14.1	833	12.3
30-34	63,051	7.5	8,899	6.2	282	4.1
25-29	32,766	3.9	4,435	3.1	104	1.5
20-24	24,778	3.0	3,242	2.3	66	1.0
TOTAL	839,350		143,228		6,800	
Mean Score	46.2		47.6		49.3	
STD. DEV.	11.6		11.5		10.6	

**TABLE 7: COLLEGE MAJOR**

	TOTAL GROUP			SOUTH			ALABAMA		
	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %
Agriculture Sciences	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.6	0.7
Architecture	1.3	1.9	0.8	1.2	1.8	0.7	1.2	1.9	0.7
Area/Ethnic/Cultural Studies	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Biological Sciences	5.5	4.3	6.5	5.7	4.5	6.7	5.0	3.9	5.8
Business Management	9.7	12.0	7.7	9.2	11.6	7.2	7.2	8.8	6.0
Communication & Journalism	1.8	1.4	2.3	2.0	1.4	2.5	1.9	1.5	2.3
Computer/Information Science	2.9	5.4	0.7	2.9	5.4	0.8	2.3	4.3	0.7
Education	3.2	1.0	5.1	2.9	0.8	4.7	3.9	1.0	6.2
Engineering	11.3	20.0	3.9	11.4	20.4	3.8	13.6	24.9	4.8
Engineering Technologies	1.3	2.3	0.3	1.3	2.3	0.3	1.1	2.1	0.3
English Language & Literature	1.1	0.5	1.5	1.0	0.5	1.4	0.9	0.3	1.4
Family/Consumer Sciences	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.5
Foreign Languages	0.5	0.3	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.5
Health Professions/Sciences	19.2	10.3	27.0	22.0	12.1	30.4	27.8	15.8	37.3
History	0.7	0.9	0.4	0.7	1.0	0.4	0.6	0.9	0.3
Legal Professions & Studies	2.0	1.7	2.2	2.3	2.1	2.6	2.4	2.4	2.4
Liberal Arts & Humanities	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3
Mathematics & Statistics	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6
Military Technologies	0.6	1.0	0.2	0.7	1.2	0.3	0.6	1.0	0.2
Multi/Interdisciplinary	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.9	0.6	0.5	0.6
Natural Resources	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.9	0.4	0.9	1.6	0.3
Parks, Leisure & Fitness Studies	0.8	1.4	0.3	0.9	1.7	0.3	0.8	1.4	0.4
Personal & Culinary Services	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2
Philosophy/Religious Studies	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.1
Physical Sciences	1.4	1.9	1.0	1.3	1.8	0.9	1.3	2.0	0.8
Psychology	4.0	1.8	5.9	4.0	1.9	5.7	3.3	1.5	4.6
Social Service Professions	0.5	0.1	0.8	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.6
Security/Protective Services	4.2	4.5	3.9	3.5	3.6	3.4	2.5	2.5	2.5
Social Sciences	2.0	1.6	2.4	2.1	1.7	2.4	1.5	1.5	1.6
Theology/Religious Vocations	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.2
Visual & Performing Arts	8.1	6.8	9.2	8.5	7.1	9.6	7.5	6.0	8.7
Other	2.7	2.9	2.5	2.3	2.4	2.3	1.7	1.8	1.6
Undecided	10.9	11.8	10.2	8.7	9.6	7.9	7.6	8.4	6.9
NUMBER RESPONDING	1,458,790			252,521			11,979		

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