

2010 - Where Are We Now release data notes

The Nation's Report Card

All data reported from National Assessment of Education Progress (NAEP)

4th Grade Reading

SC's rank (39th) is determined in a comparison of 2009 average scale scores for all students among all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

2007 ranking: (42nd)

8th Grade Reading

SC's rank (42nd) is determined in a comparison of 2009 average scale scores for all students among all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

2007 ranking: (41st)

4th Grade Math

SC's rank (38th) is determined in a comparison of 2009 average scale scores for all students among all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

2007 ranking: (33rd)

8th Grade Math

SC's rank (33rd) is determined in a comparison of 2009 average scale scores for all students among all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

2007 ranking: (28th)

4th Grade Science

SC's rank (32nd) is determined in a comparison 2005 average scale scores among all 50 states. Seven states did not report scores for the 2005 4th grade science assessment.

The rate of improvement was determined in a comparison of nationwide scores on the grade 4 science assessment, given in 2000 and 2005. SC's average scale score increased 8 points from 2000 to 2005, the largest increase nationwide. Fifteen states either did not report results for the grade 4 science assessment in 2000 or 2005, so the rate of improvement could not be calculated for those states.

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8th Grade Science

SC's rank (29th) is determined in a comparison 2005 average scale scores among all 50 states. Seven states did not report scores for the 2005 8th grade science assessment.

The rate of improvement was determined in a comparison of nationwide scores on the grade 8 science assessment, given in 2000 and 2005. SC's average scale score increased 5 points from 2000 to 2005, the third largest increase in the nation. Fifteen states either did not report results for the grade 8 science assessment in 2000 or 2005, so the rate of improvement could not be calculated for those states.

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On-time graduation rate

73.7% as calculated by the SCDE and reported in SC 2009 AYP release. Data retrieved from SCDE website, 11/17/2010.

A comparison was made with 22 other states currently using and reporting National Governors' Association Compact Rate. Of the 22 states that reported a graduation rate for the class of 2008-09, SC's reported rate of 73.7% ranks 14th of the 22 states.

SAT

SC's rank (48th) is determined in a comparison of 2010 average composite scores (critical reading plus math sections) among all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

2009 ranking: (48th)

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ACT

SC's rank (43rd) is determined in a comparison of 2010 average composite scores among all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

2009 ranking: (46th)

Advanced Placement – Participation

SC's rank (20th) was determined in a comparison of the percent of students who took an AP exam in high school, as reported by the College Board. The College Board uses the projected number of 2009 graduates from public schools in each state as the denominator, as issued by the *Knocking at the College Door* (2003) report, Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education. SC data was compared to all 50 states and the District of Columbia. In 2009, 26 percent of students in SC took an AP exam in high school.

2008 ranking: (22nd)

Advanced Placement – Passage

SC's rank (21st) was determined in a comparison of the percent of students in the graduating class of 2009 who scored a 3 or higher on an AP exam at any point during their classroom years. In 2009, 15 percent of students in SC scored a 3 or higher on an AP exam.

2008 ranking: (21st)

Achievement Gap – AP Performance

Performance data measures the percentage point gap that exists between the passage rates (score of 3 or higher) of two student groups between 2008, 2009 and 2010. AP data reported by the College Board.

AP Performance

White/African-American Gap	33.3	29.6↓	31.0↑
White/Hispanic Gap	8.5	10.1↑	7.0↓
	2008	2009	2010

Note: AP performance is increasing within each demographic group.

↓Progress Made

Achievement Gap – SAT and ACT

Reported data show the gap in the average composite score of the SAT (2002, 2008, 2009) and the ACT (2002, 2008, 2009). SAT data reported by the College Board. ACT data reported by the ACT.

(Gap in average math and critical reading score for SAT and average composite score for ACT.)

White/African-American Gap	195	198↑	200↑	197↓	4.2	5.3↑	5.5↑	5.6↑
White/Hispanic Gap	52	67↑	79↑	84↑	1.7	1.7	1.9↑	2.3↑
	SAT 2002	SAT 2008	SAT 2009	SAT 2010	ACT 2002	ACT 2008	ACT 2009	ACT 2010

2020 Vision**NAEP reading performance and reading achievement gaps**

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PASS Reading and Research achievement gaps

2010 PASS data retrieved as reported by SCDE, 11/2010

On-time graduation rate

2009 graduation rate reported on SC 2009 AYP release, SC Department of Education, retrieved 11/17/2010

Preparedness for high school success

All data reported in 2007-08 College Freshman Report, SC Department of Education

School At Risk

All data reported annual school and district rating releases. Data from SCDE.