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ABSTRACT

The North Carolina Competency Testing Program in reading, mathematics, and writing has been administered in all public schools in the state to students in grade 10 and those in grades 11 and 12 who had not previously passed this test. A total of 72,324 and 72,393 sophc mores took the reading and mathematics tests, respectively, in 1988. The reading test was passed by 93.3% of high school sophomores, a decline of just over one percentage point from the passing rate in the 1985-1987 period. The mathematics test was passed by 89.7%, lower than the passing rates for 1982-1987, but higher than the rates for the 1978-1981 period. The most dramatic improvement in reading and mathematics occurred among Blacks and American Indians. In this third year of administration of the Competency Tests in writing, 87.2% of sophomores passed the writing objective test and 94.7% passed the writing essay test. This is lower than passing rates of 1987 for the objective test and higher on the essay test. The percentage of sophomores passing all four tests on the first attempt increased slightly over 1987. Data on students passing the tests, broken down by region, are summarized in 17 tables. (SLD)

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ABSTRACT

At the 1988 administration of the Competency Tests, 93.3 percent of the North Carolina public school sophomores (Class of 1990) who took the tests for the first time passed the reading test and 89.7 percent passed the mathematics test. The 1988 passing rate in reading declined by slightly more than 1 percentage from the passing rates for sophomores in the 1985-1987 period, but remains higher than the rates for juniors for the 1978-1983 period. The 1988 passing rate in mathematics is lower than the rates for the 1982-1987 period and higher than the rates for the 1978-1981 period.

Of non-exceptional sophomores, 95.6 percent passed the reading test and 92.0 percent passed the mathematics test in the 1988 administration. Approximately 99.7 percent of academically gifted students passed the reading test and 99.5 percent passed the mathematics test. Handicapped sophomores scored lower on the average than non-handicapped sophomores.

l corically, the most dramatic improvement on the reading and mathematics tests has occurred among black and American Indian students. Although the reading and mathematics passing rates for black students dropped by approximately 2.6 percentage points in the 1988 administration, the rates remain 10.8 to 13.6 points higher than at the initial administration in 1978. The percentages of American Indian students passing reading and mathematics are higher in 1988 than in 1987.

In this year of the third administration of the Competency Tests in writing, 87.2 percent of public school sophomores passed the writing objective test and 94.7 percent passed the writing essay test. The passing rate on the writing objective test is about 1.5 percentage points lower than the passing rate in 1987 and slightly higher than the 1986 rate. The passing rate on the writing essay test is 3.7 percentage points higher than in 1987 and 6.9 percentage points than in 1986.

Among non-exceptional students, 90.0 percent passed the objective test and 96.2 percent passed the essay test. Academically gifted students had the highest passing rates for both tests. Students with handicapping conditions scored lower on the average than non-handicapped sophomores.

The passing rate for American Indian students has improved substantially each year on both writing tests. The percentage of black students passing the writing objective test is 3.2 percentage points lower in 1988 than in 1987, but is 1.2 points higher than in the initial 1986 administration. The 1988 essay test passing rate for black students is 6.2 points higher than in 1987 and 9.3 points higher than in 1986.

In summary, although the passing rates for public school sophomores on the reading, mathematics, and writing objective tests declined by 0.9 to 1.5 percentage points in 1988, the passing rate on the essay test has improved dramatically during the past two years. The most substantial improvement on the essay test occurred among black and American Indian students. The percentage of sophomores passing all four Competency Tests on their first attempt increased slightly from 1987 to 1988.



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UPDATE ON STUDENT PERFORMANCE IN READING, MATHEMATICS, AND WRITING

Introduction

From 1978 to 1985, the North Carolina Competency Tests in reading and mathematics were administered to eleventh-grade students in public schools, federal schools, some nonpublic schools, and special schools across the state. In 1986, the testing program was administered to tenth-grade students and was expanded to include two writing tests: a writing objective test and a writing essay test.

The legislation creating the Competency Testing Program provides (1) that the Competency Tests be administered to students in North Carolina as a requirement for graduation; (2) that students who fail the tests be provided remediation; and (3) that students who fail one or more of the Competency Tests be retested. Special funds have been allocated to provide remediation to students who fail the tests or who are at risk of failing the tests. An important function of the Competency Testing Program is to provide diagnostic information for individual students so that appropriate remediation can be offered.

Students who are handicapped may qualify for modifications of the Competency Tests. Braille, large print, audio-cassette, or sign language (video cassette) versions of the tests are available. Handicapped students may mark in the test booklets or give verbal answers if the handicapping condition hinders marking on separate answer sheets. Handicapped students may qualify to take the tests in short time allotments over a period of several days. Students whose handicap prevents them from taking the tests may be excluded from the test administration; excluded students are not, however, eligible to receive high school diplomas.

This report presents results of the 1988 testing of public school students in North Carolina. Results for students taking the tests for the first time during the 1978-1987 period are included for comparison.

Summary statistics for extended day, federal, and special schools and community colleges may be obtained from the individual schools or from the Division of Testing, North Carolina State Department of Public Instruction; information about the performance of nonpublic schools may be obtained from the office of Nonpublic Education, Office of the Governor of North Carolina.



The Reading and Mathematics Tests

Results for Sophomores Taking the Tests for the First Time

Table 1 presents summary results for sophomores who took the Competency Tests for the first time in February, 1988. Of the 72,324 sophomores tested in reading, 93.3 percent passed. Of the 72 ^ 93 sophomores tested in mathematics, 89.7 percent passed. Table 1 also shows the average percentages of correctly answered items for each learning objective.

Table 2 presents passing rates for the 1988 sophomore testing and, for comparison, rates for junior or sophomore first-time test-takers during the 1978-1987 period. The percentage of sophomores passing the reading test this year is 1.1 points lower than the percentage of sophomores passing in 1987. The passing rate in mathematics is 0.9 percentage points lower than the rate for 1987. While the passing rates in reading and mathematics have improved since the initial administration in 1978, the passing rate in reading declined to its lowest point since 1983 and the passing rate in mathematics declined to its lowest point since 1981 (see Figure 1).

Percentages of black and American Indian students passing the tests have been lower than percentages for white students in every test administration since 15.3, however, these groups have shown dramatic improvement over the period. In reading and mathematics, the 1988 passing rates for black students were more than 10 percentage points higher than in 1978, but were approximately 2.6 percentage points lower than in 1987. The percentages of American Indian students passing reading and mathematics are higher in 1988 than in 1987.

Passing rates vary widely across subgroups of handicapped students for every year for which data are available (see Table 2). For example, in the 1988 administration of the mathematics test, only 11.7 percent of the educable mentally handicapped sophomores passed while 67.6 percent of the visually impaired passed.

Passing rates for non-exceptional sophomores were 95.6 for the reading test and 92.0 percent for the mathematics test. Among acc lemically gifted students, 99.7 percent passed the reading test and 99.5 percent passed the mathematics test. Combining all non-handicapped students, 95.8 percent passed reading and 92.4 percent passed mathematics.



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SUMMARY OF READING AND MATHEMATICS
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TABLE 2

THE NC COMPETENCY TESTS **READING AND MATHEMATICS: 1978-1988**

PERCENTAGE OF FIRST-TIME STUDENTS PASSING <u>READING</u>

'GROUP	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986
State	90.0	92.0	92.5	91.9	92.8	92.8	95.2	94.4	94.5
Ethnic Group									
American Indian	79.0	85.0	86.3	85.5	87.5	86.1	92.7	89.5	90.0
Black	75.0	79.0	81.1	80.2	83.2	82.8	89.0	86.6	88.0
White	96.0	97.0	97.4	97.1	97.2	97.1	97.9	97.6	97.2
Other	87.0	89.0	87.7	77.9	83.6	83.2	85.0	85.9	87.6
Parent Education					_				
8th Grade or Less	68.0	70.0	74.0	69.4	73.0	71.9	*	*	*
8th - 11th Grade	83.0	84.0	84.5	83.5	84.9	83.6	*	*	*
High School Graduate	93.0	94.0	94.3	93.6	94.2	93.8	*	*	*
More Than High School	98.0	98.0	98.4	98.2	98.4	98.2	*	*	*
Handicap									
No Handicap	**	94.0	94.9	94.8	95.8	95.9	97.6	96.7	97.1
Multihandicapped	**	40.0	43.6	42.0	42.3	42.3	52.0	34.1	26.9
Mentally Handicapped	**	17.0	18.7	17.6	19.9	18.3	27.8	20.9	20.4
Hearing Impaired	**	82.0	82.1	66.7	66.1	63.0	69.1	81.5	74.2
Visually Impaired	**	87.0	91.1	88.7	82.7	87.0	97.3	81.4	75.0
Learning Disabilities	**	66.0	69.7	64.4	67.6	65.7	72.2	69.8	66.5
Other Handicap	**	76.0	72.7	62.4	62.6	62.0	65.6	61.1	64.0
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GROUP	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986
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State Ethnic Group American Indian	85.0 72.0	89.0 79.0	89.4 79.4	89.4 78.1	90.0 83.1	1983 89.9 80.8	1984 93.8 90.9	91.5	92.9
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State Ethnic Group American Indian Black White Other Parent Education	72.0 66.0 93.0 87.0	79.0 73.0 95.0 93.0	79.4 75.6 95.2 94.0	78.1 76.4 95.2 91.4	90.0 83.1 78.5 95.1 91.2	89.9 80.8 78.0 94.9 92.1	93.8 90.9 86.5 96.8 91.3	91.5 88.0 81.8 95.3 90.8	92.9 90.0 85.1 96.0 91.9
State Ethnic Group American Indian Black White Other Parent Education 8th Grade or Less	72.0 66.0 93.0 87.0	79.0 73.0 95.0 93.0	79.4 75.6 95.2 94.0	78.1 76.4 95.2 91.4	90.0 83.1 78.5 95.1 91.2	89.9 80.8 78.0 94.9 92.1	93.8 90.9 86.5 96.8	91.5 88.0 81.8 95.3 90.8	92.9 90.0 85.1 96.0 91.9
State Ethnic Group American Indian Black White Other Parent Education	72.0 66.0 93.0 87.0 60.0 76.0	79.0 73.0 95.0 93.0	79.4 75.6 95.2 94.0	78.1 76.4 95.2 91.4 67.6 80.2	90.0 83.1 78.5 95.1 91.2 69.9 81.0	89.9 80.8 78.0 94.9 92.1 68.2 79.8	93.8 90.9 86.5 96.8 91.3	91.5 88.0 81.8 95.3 90.8	92.9 90.0 85.1 96.0 91.9
State Ethnic Group American Indian Black White Other Parent Education 8th Grade or Less	72.0 66.0 93.0 87.0	79.0 73.0 95.0 93.0	79.4 75.6 95.2 94.0	78.1 76.4 95.2 91.4	90.0 83.1 78.5 95.1 91.2	89.9 80.8 78.0 94.9 92.1 68.2 79.8 90.3	93.8 90.9 86.5 96.8 91.3	91.5 88.0 81.8 95.3 90.8	92.9 90.0 85.1 96.0 91.9
State Ethnic Group American Indian Black White Other Parent Education 8th Grade or Less 8th - 11th Grade	72.0 66.0 93.0 87.0 60.0 76.0	79.0 73.0 95.0 93.0	79.4 75.6 95.2 94.0	78.1 76.4 95.2 91.4 67.6 80.2	90.0 83.1 78.5 95.1 91.2 69.9 81.0	89.9 80.8 78.0 94.9 92.1 68.2 79.8	93.8 90.9 86.5 96.8 91.3	91.5 88.0 81.8 95.3 90.8	92.9 90.0 85.1 96.0 91.9
Ethnic Group American Indian Black White Other Parent Education 8th Grade or Less 8th - 11th Grade High School Graduate	72.0 66.0 93.0 87.0 60.0 76.0 88.0	79.0 73.0 95.0 93.0 67.0 79.0 91.0	79.4 75.6 95.2 94.0 68.8 80.4 90.8	78.1 76.4 95.2 91.4 67.6 80.2 90.8	90.0 83.1 78.5 95.1 91.2 69.9 81.0 91.0	89.9 80.8 78.0 94.9 92.1 68.2 79.8 90.3 96.5	93.8 90.9 86.5 96.8 91.3	91.5 88.0 81.8 95.3 90.8	92.9 90.0 85.1 96.0 91.9
State Ethnic Group American Indian Black White Other Parent Education 8th Grade or Less 8th - 11th Grade High School Graduate More Than High School Handicap No Handicap	72.0 66.0 93.0 87.0 60.0 76.0 88.0	89.0 79.0 73.0 95.0 93.0 67.0 79.0 91.0 96.0	79.4 75.6 95.2 94.0 68.8 80.4 90.8	89.4 78.1 76.4 95.2 91.4 67.6 80.2 90.8 96.7	90.0 83.1 78.5 95.1 91.2 69.9 81.0 91.0	89.9 80.8 78.0 94.9 92.1 68.2 79.8 90.3	93.8 90.9 86.5 96.8 91.3	91.5 88.0 81.8 95.3 90.8	92.9 90.0 85.1 96.0 91.9
State Ethnic Group American Indian Black White Other Parent Education 8th Grade or Less 8th - 11th Grade High School Graduate More Than High School Handicap No Handicap Multihandicapped	72.0 66.0 93.0 87.0 60.0 76.0 88.0 96.0	79.0 73.0 95.0 93.0 67.0 79.0 91.0 96.0	89.4 79.4 75.6 95.2 94.0 68.8 80.4 90.8 96.8	89.4 78.1 76.4 95.2 91.4 67.6 80.2 90.8 96.7	90.0 83.1 78.5 95.1 91.2 69.9 81.0 91.0 96.8	89.9 80.8 78.0 94.9 92.1 68.2 79.8 90.3 96.5	93.8 90.9 86.5 96.8 91.3	91.5 88.0 81.8 95.3 90.8	92.9 90.0 85.1 96.0 91.9
State Ethnic Group American Indian Black White Other Parent Education 8th Grade or Less 8th - 11th Grade High School Graduate More Than High School Handicap No Handicap Multihandicapped Mentally Handicapped	72.0 66.0 93.0 87.0 60.0 76.0 88.0 96.0	79.0 73.0 95.0 93.0 67.0 79.0 91.0 96.0	89.4 79.4 75.6 95.2 94.0 68.8 80.4 90.8 96.8 91.8 42.1 14.1	78.1 76.4 95.2 91.4 67.6 80.2 90.8 96.7	90.0 83.1 78.5 95.1 91.2 69.9 81.0 91.0 96.8 93.2 34.6 17.1	89.9 80.8 78.0 94.9 92.1 68.2 79.8 90.3 96.5 93.1 42.0 15.5	93.8 90.9 86.5 96.8 91.3 * * * * *	91.5 88.0 81.8 95.3 90.8 * * * * * 94.1 33.3 19.0	92.9 90.0 85.1 96.0 91.9 * * * * *
Ethnic Group American Indian Black White Other Parent Education 8th Grade or Less 8th - 11th Grade High School Graduate More Than High School Handlcap No Handicap Multihandicapped Mentally Handicapped Hearing Impaired	72.0 66.0 93.0 87.0 60.0 76.0 88.0 96.0	79.0 73.0 95.0 93.0 67.0 79.0 91.0 96.0	89.4 79.4 75.6 95.2 94.0 68.8 80.4 90.8 96.8	89.4 78.1 76.4 95.2 91.4 67.6 80.2 90.8 96.7 92.4 40.0 14.1 82.6	90.0 83.1 78.5 95.1 91.2 69.9 81.0 91.0 96.8	89.9 80.8 78.0 94.9 92.1 68.2 79.8 90.3 96.5 93.1 42.0 15.5 75.9	93.8 90.9 86.5 96.8 91.3 * * * * * * 20.9 80.5 90.9 80.5 90.9 80.5 90.8 91.3	91.5 88.0 81.8 95.3 90.8 * * * * * 94.1 33.3	92.9 90.0 85.1 96.0 91.9 * * * *
State Ethnic Group American Indian Black White Other Parent Education 8th Grade or Less 8th - 11th Grade High School Graduate More Than High School Handicap No Handicap Multihandicapped Mentally Handicapped	72.0 66.0 93.0 87.0 60.0 76.0 88.0 96.0	79.0 73.0 95.0 93.0 67.0 79.0 91.0 96.0	89.4 79.4 75.6 95.2 94.0 68.8 80.4 90.8 96.8 91.8 42.1 14.1	78.1 76.4 95.2 91.4 67.6 80.2 90.8 96.7	90.0 83.1 78.5 95.1 91.2 69.9 81.0 91.0 96.8 93.2 34.6 17.1	89.9 80.8 78.0 94.9 92.1 68.2 79.8 90.3 96.5 93.1 42.0 15.5	93.8 90.9 86.5 96.8 91.3 * * * * *	91.5 88.0 81.8 95.3 90.8 * * * * * 94.1 33.3 19.0	92.9 90.0 85.1 96.0 91.9 * * * * *
State Ethnic Group American Indian Black White Other Parent Education 8th Grade or Less 8th - 11th Grade High School Graduate More Than High School Handicap No Handicap Multihandicapped Mentally Handicapped Hearing Impaired	72.0 66.0 93.0 87.0 60.0 76.0 88.0 96.0	79.0 73.0 95.0 93.0 67.0 79.0 91.0 96.0	89.4 79.4 75.6 95.2 94.0 68.8 80.4 90.8 96.8 91.8 42.1 14.1 80.0	89.4 78.1 76.4 95.2 91.4 67.6 80.2 90.8 96.7 92.4 40.0 14.1 82.6	90.0 83.1 78.5 95.1 91.2 69.9 81.0 91.0 96.8 93.2 34.6 17.1 77.0	89.9 80.8 78.0 94.9 92.1 68.2 79.8 90.3 96.5 93.1 42.0 15.5 75.9	93.8 90.9 86.5 96.8 91.3 * * * * * * 20.9 80.5 90.9 80.5 90.9 80.5 90.8 91.3	91.5 88.0 81.8 95.3 90.8 * * * * * 94.1 33.3 19.0 76.9	92.9 90.0 85.1 96.0 91.9 * * * * * *

Note. For the years 1978-1985, students took the tests for the first time in the fall of their junior year. In 1986-1988, students took the tests for the first time in the spring of their sophomore year.
*Not collected in these years.
** Not repeated in 1978.



TABLE 2, continued

THE NC COMPETENCY TESTS READING AND MATHEMATICS: 1978-1988

PERCENTAGE OF FIRST-TIME STUDENTS PASSING READING

GROUP	1987	1988		
State	94.4	93.3		***************************************
Ethnic Group				
American Indian	88.3	89.2		
Black	88.3	85.8		
White	97.0	96.6		
Other	88.2	87.5		
Handicap			*****	
Non-Handicapped	96.7	95.8		
Handicapped	52.5	48.3		
Exceptional Classification	·			***************************************
None	96.5	95.6		
Academically Gifted	99.7	99.7		
Multihandicapped	46.7	37.5		
Hearing Impaired	72.4	70.2		
Visually Impaired	83.8	8 <i>5</i> .3		
Speech/Language Impaired	68.8	56.8		
Emotionally Handicapped	60.6	53.2		
Orthopedically Impaired	68.2	66.7		
Learning Disabled	66.5	62.1		
Educable Mentally Handicapped	17.5	14.8		

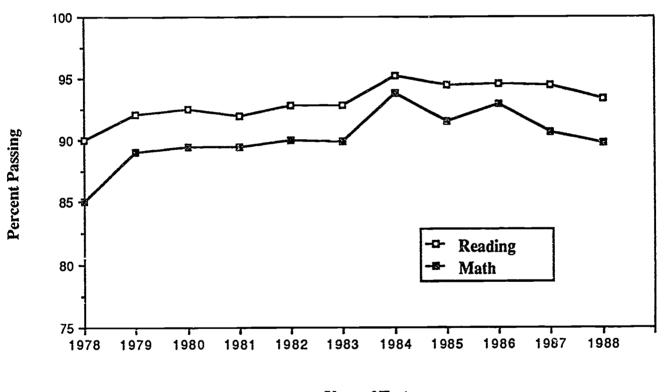
PERCENTAGE OF FIRST-TIME STUDENTS PASSING MATHEMATICS

GROUP	1987	1988
State	90.6	89.7
Ethnic Group	·	
American Indian	84.6	86.2
Black	82.2	79.6
White	94.1	94.0
Other	91.9	92.8
Handicap		
Non-Handicapped	93.3	92.4
Handicapped	42.8	41.3
Exceptional Classification	***********	
None	92.9	92.0
Academically Gifted	99.6	99.5
Multihandicapped	41.3	21.7
Hearing Impaired	75.9	73.3
Visually Impaired	76.5	67.6
Speech/Language Impaired	63.6	79.5
Emotionally Handicapped	41.6	40.5
Orthopedically Impaired	66.7	53.3
Learning Disabled	53.9	53.5
Educable Mentally Handicapped	15.0	11.7



FIGURE 1

PERCENTAGE OF FIRST-TIME STUDENTS PASSING
THE NC COMPETENCY TESTS IN READING AND MATHEMATICS
1978-1988



Year of Test

NOTE: For the years 1978-1985, students took the tests for the first time in the fall of their junior year. In 1986-1988, students took the tests for the first time in the spring of their sophomore year.



Results for Juniors and Seniors

At the 1988 administration of the Competer Tests, 6,600 juniors took the reading test and 8,587 juniors took the mathematics test. Table 3 presents results for these students. Approximately 70.3 percent passed the reading test and 67.2 percent passed the mathematics test. Passing rates for juniors taking the tests for the first time are more than 30 points higher than rates for juniors who had taken and failed the tests in a previous administration.

At the 1988 administration, 3,255 seniors took the reading competency test and 3,701 seniors took the mathematics test. Passing rates for seniors taking the tests for the first time are considerably higher than those for seniors who had taken and failed the tests in previous administrations. Of the seniors who had taken the tests before, 46.4 percent passed the reading test and 48.3 percent passed the mathematics test.

Achievement on the Reading and Mathematics Tests

A minimum score of 87 (72.5 percent correct) is required to pass the 120-item reading test. A minimum score of 77 (64.2 percent correct) is required to pass the 120-item mathematics test. More than 86 percent of all North Carolina regular public school students, including juniors and seniors retaking the tests, scored at or above these points. Table 4 provides distributional information on readent performance. Approximately 20 percent of all public school students taking the reading test scored at least 116 on the 120-item reading test. Almost 16 percent of public school students taking the 120-item mathematics test scored at least 116.

Table 4 also shows the numbers and percentages of all regular public school students who failed the tests by only a few points. Approximately 2.5 percent of the students (and 25.0 percent of the students who failed) were within 5 points of passing the reading test. On the mathematics test, 3.1 percent of the students (and 22.0 percent of those who failed) were within 5 points of passing.

Performance by Objective and Application Category

One purpose of the North Carolina Competency Testing Program is to diagnose weaknesses in basic skill areas so that students may be remediated. Table 5 shows the average percentage correct obtained by all regular public school students within each reading and mathematics objective and application category. The second column contains the averages of the percentage correct obtained by students who failed either the reading or the mathematics test.

Over all students tested, the performance was weakest on the reading objective 'comparing and contrasting information', and on the 'street map', 'population data chart', and 'income tax form' applications. The weakest mathematics objective was 'probability and statistics', and the weakest applications were 'geometric area' and 'credit card bills'.

Students who failed the tests often scored lowest within the same skill areas that were lowest for all students tested. The average performance of failing students, however, was substantially lower on these objectives and applications than was the average performance of all students.



TABLE 3

THE NC COMPETENCY TESTS
READING AND MATHEMATICS RESULTS FOR
JUNIORS AND SENIORS TESTED IN 1988

REA	DING	MATH	EMATICS Percentage Passing
Number	Percentage	Number	
Tested	Passing	Tested	
6,600	70.3	8,587	67.2
2,771	91.8	2,795	87.9
3,763	54.5	5,712	57.1
3,255	68.9	3,701	66.9
1,442	96.1	1,462	94.3
1,777	46.4	2,197	48.3
	Number Tested 6,600 2,771 3,763 3,255	70.3 2,771 91.8 3,763 54.5 3,255 68.9	Number Tested Percentage Passing Number Tested 6,600 70.3 8,587 2,771 91.8 2,795 3,763 54.5 5,712 3,255 68.9 3,701 1,442 96.1 1,462

^{*}Does not include students in the Extended Day Program



TABLE 4

STATEWIDE FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTION READING AND MATHEMATICS TESTS ALL REGULAR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS: 1988*

READING **MATHEMATICS** Minimum Passing Score = 87 Score = 77Minimum Passing Cum-Cum-Cum-Cum-Equated ulative ulative Equated ulative ulative Score**Number Score ** Percent Number Percent Number Number Percent Percent 120 3286 3.8 87178 437 100.0 100.0 120 0.5 90012 99.5 119 1080 1.2 89575 119 118 6318 7.2 83892 96.2 118 3653 4.1 88495 98.3 117 117 4477 5.0 84842 94.3 4549 116 7843 9.0 77574 89.0 116 5.1 80365 89.3 2247 115 115 2.5 75816 84.2 114 8067 9.3 69731 80.0 114 2198 2.4 73569 81.7 7335 61664 113 8.4 70.7 113 2127 2.4 71371 79.3 112 6365 7.3 54329 2101 2.3 69244 76.9 62.3 112 111 2.3 111 2041 67143 74.6 110 5679 2034 2.3 72.3 6.5 47964 55.0 110 65102 109 109 1963 2.2 63068 70.1 108 4697 42285 2010 5.4 48.5 108 2.2 61105 67.9 107 4059 4.7 37588 43.1 107 1921 2.1 59095 65.7 106 106 1955 2.2 63.5 57174 105 3534 4.1 33529 38.5 105 1876 2.1 55219 61.3 104 3040 3.5 29995 34.4 104 1857 2.1 53343 59.3 103 103 1771 2.0 51486 57.2 102 2727 26955 1859 3.1 30.9 102 2.1 49715 55.2 101 2268 2.6 24228 27.8 101 1695 47856 53.2 1.9 10C 100 1754 1.9 46161 51.3 99 1955 2.2 21960 25.2 99 3401 3.8 44407 49.3 98 1802 2.1 20005 22.9 1612 98 1.8 41006 45.6 97 1605 1.8 18203 20.9 97 3202 3.6 39394 43.8 96 1409 1.6 16598 96 19.0 1534 1.7 36192 40.2 95 1244 1.4 95 15189 1510 34658 17.4 1.7 38.5 94 94 1516 33148 1.7 36.8 93 1162 1.3 13945 93 16.0 92 994 12783 1.1 14.7 92 1429 1.6 31632 35.1 91 928 11789 91 1426 1.1 13.5 1.6 30203 33.6 90 827 0.9 10861 12.5 90 1380 1.5 28777 32.0 89 30.4 759 0.9 10034 11.5 89 2676 3.0 27397 88 1236 88 1.4 24721 27.5 87 718 0.8 87 9275 10.6 26 564 0.6 9.8 1206 8557 86 1.3 23485 26.1 85 554 7993 85 1107 0.6 9.2 1.2 22279 24.8 565 84 0.6 7439 8.5 84 1135 1.3 23.5 21172 83 83 2122 2.4 20037 22.3 82 455 0.5 6874 7.9 82 929 1.0 17915 19.9 431 81 6419 0.5 7.4 991 81 1.1 16986 18.9 80 412 5988 6.9 0.5 80 898 1.0 15995 17.8 79 321 0.4 5576 6.4 79 888 1.0 15097 16.8 78 347 0.4 5255 6.0 78 838 0.9 14209 15.8 287 77 0.3 4908 5.6 77 791 13371 0.9 14.9 76 303 76 0.3 4621 5.3 773 0.9 12580 14.0 75 250 0.3 75 4318 5.0 692 0.8 11807 13.1 4068 74 217 0.2 4.7 74 698 0.8 11115 12.3 73 212 0.2 3851 73 4.4 72 72 608 0.7 10417 11.6 71 193 3639 0.2 4.2 71 654 0.7 9809 10.9 70 180 0.2 3446 4.0 70 576 9155 0.6 10.2 69 167 0.2 3266 3.7 69 516 0.6 8579 9.5 2-68 3099 3.6 3099 3.6 2-68 8063 9.0 8063 9.0



^{*}This table includes sophomores, juniors, and seniors taking the tests. Totals will not equal totals in tables which include only first-time sophomores.

^{**}Scores are equated to Edition A.

TABLE 5 READING, MATHEMATICS, AND WRITING OBJECTIVES AND APPLICATIONS SUMMARY ALL REGULAR PUBLIC SCHC - STUDENTS

		AVERAGES OF THE PERCENT OBJECTIVES AND APPLICA	T CORRECT FOR COMPETENCY ATIONS CATEGORY SCORES
REGULAR PUBLIC EDITION B		FOR ALL STUDENTS TESTED IN ONE OR MORE TESTS READING. MATH, WRITING	FOR STUDENTS FAILING ONE OR MORE TESTS READING, MATH, WRITING
READING, MATHEMATICS, AND WRI	TING COMPETENCY OBJECTIVES	IN THE STATE	IN THE State
READING COMPETENCY CBJECTIVES	WORD KNOWLEDGE/CONTEXT/ABBREVIATIONS - FOLLOWING DIRECTIONS - FOLLOWING DIRECTIONS - MAIN IDEA. RELATED DETAIL - CLASSIFYING INFORMATION - DRAWING INFERENCES - DRAWING CONCLUSIONS - COMPARING AND CONTRASTING INFORMATION - ORGANIZING INFORMATION - LOCATING AND APPLYING INFORMATION - INTERPRETING MAPS. CHARTS. PICTURES -	90.5 96.1 94.1 89.4 91.2 90.1 81.8 93.4 90.1	60.7 81.0 72.1 62.7 63.7 59.3 48.1 71.4 63.1
MATHEMATICS COMPETENCY OBJECTIVES	WHOLE NUMBERS - FRACTIONS - DECIMALS - PERCENTS - MONEY PROBLEMS - MEASUREMENT - GEOMETRIC IDEAS - OLVING PROBLEMS USING MAPS TABLES, CHARTS - PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS - ESTIMATIONS - BASIC PROCESSES -	95.0 77.1 86.1 77.0 80.0 79.5 68.3 79.3 61.6 67.0	33.9 47.1 58.0 38.5 49.9 51.2 41.9 15.4 36.9
WRITING COMPFTENCY OBJECTIVES	TAKING A MESSAGE - CAPITALIZATION - PUNCTUATION - SENTENCE STRUCTURE - WORD USAGE - FORMS -	91.7 93.7 83.2 84.7 79.5 83.2	78.6 79.8 58.9 55.8 47.7 66.3
NUMBER OF	STUDENTS IN EACH GROUP THAT TOOK READING	87178	8557
NUMBER OF STU	DENTS IN EACH GROUP THAT TOOK MATHEMATICS	90012	12580
NUMBER OF STUDENTS IN EA	CH GROUP THAT TOOK WRITING OBJECTIVE TEST	94105	17416

NUMBER OF STUDENTS IN EACH GROUP THAT TOOK WRITING ESSAY TEST

6533

TABLE 5, continued

AVERAGES OF THE PERCENT CORRECT FOR COMPETENCY OBJECTIVES AND APPLICATIONS CATEGORY SCORES

Nagut an area an	TABLE 5, continued	OBJECTIVES AND APPLICA	ATIONS CATEGORY SCORES
REGULAR PUBLIC Edition B	,	FOR ALL STUDENTS TESTED IN ONE OR MORE TESTS READING, MATH, WRITING	FOR STUDENTS FAILING ONE OR MORE TESTS READING, MATH, WRITING
READING, MATHEMATICS, AND W	RITING CATEGORIES	IN THE State	IN THE STATE
READING APPLICATION CATEGORIES	DIRECTORIES/INDEXES TELEPHONE - TV LISTING - DICTIONARY PAGE - CLASSIFIED AD -	90.2 94.8 95.3 93.4	62.5 74.2 75.4 71.3
	STORE - HIGHWAY - CITY - CITY -	91.6 90.2 91.9	59.0 64.8 64.8
	DIRECTIONS MEDICINE LABEL - HIGHWAY SIGNS -	85.3 98.2 94.1	49.2 90.5 79.9
	RECIPE/OWNER'S MANUAL - COMMUNICATION/INTERPRETATION - NEWSPAPER - DRIVER'S LICENSE - BUSINESS LETTER - WARRANTIES -	94.4 87.1 96.0 95.9 96.8	71.3 47.8 77.0 76.1 81.7
	UTILITY BILL - CHARTS TIME ZONES - POPULATION DATA - POSTAL RATES -	92.8 86.3 82.3	70.8 51.8 50.0
	POSTAL RATES - APPLICATION/FORMS LIBRARY CARD - AUTO LOAN - EMPLOYMENT - SOCIAL SECURITY CARD -	89.5 53.5 95.5 91.8 98.8	56.3 85.6 77.9 73.0 91.5
MATHEMATICS APPLICATION CATEGORIES	INCOME TAX -	78.5	40.6
	FRACTIONS/MIXED NUMBERS -	95.0 86.1 77.9	83.9 58.0 47.1
	MEASUREMENT/GEOMETRY RECIPE - THERMOMETER - 8LUEPRINT - CONCEPTS - AREA - PERIMETER -	77.0 91.2 88.4 86.1 84.6 48.2	38.5 61.4 65.9 53.1 22.9
	EMPLOYMENT RELATED TIME CARD - PAY STUB -	80.8 86.8 74.2 86.1	58.4 66.7 39.7 49.5
	PURCHASING A SERVICE/PRODUCT MENU - PERSONAL -	93.0 85.0 68.1	73.1 56.8 , 32.1
	THEATER TICKETS - INSTALLMENTS/BILLS/RECEIPTS CREDIT CARD - GROCERY RECEIPT - UTILITY -	80.4 59.5 90.3 69.9	48.2 16.6 74.8 24.4
	TRAVEL	91.0 66.6 73.3	79.5 35.1
	KEEPING RECORDS INCOME TAX FORMS - GHECKBOOK - SALES -	65.1 88.3	41.6 36.3 62.9
WRITING OBJECTIVE CATEGORIES	STATISTICS AVERAGES -	72.8 63.9	34.6 18.4
WATTING OBSECTIVE CATEGORIES	TAKING A MESSAGE TELEPHONE MESSAGE - CAPITALIZATIONFIRST WORD IN SENTENCE - PROPER NOUNS -	91.7 98.2 92.6	78.6 93.2 76.4
	PUNCTUATION END PUNCTUATION - PERIOD - COMMA -	87.9 91.2 81.9	59.3 70.1 56.4
	SENTENCE STRUCTURE FRAGMENTS - SUBJECT - PREDICATE -	76.0 88.9 79.5	54.7 61.0 51.6
	WORD USAGE VERBS - AGREEMENT -	85.6 85.5 75.5	54.6 65.4 35.4
23	FORMS APPLICATION FORM - 8USINESS ENVELOPE - 8USINESS LETTER -	78.6 91.9 89.4 74.2	47.5 75.7 71.4 57.6

The Writing Objective and Writing Essay Tests

Background

The possibility of assessing writing as a third minimum competency skill was considered by the North Carolina Competency Test Commission (NCCTC) as early as 1977. Having successfully implemented competency tests in reading and mathematics, the NCCTC devoted its efforts to developing a test for writing. Beginning in 1978, the NCCTC conducted a series of meetings with special resource people (education specialists, teachers, supervisors, principals, and private citizens, including members of the business community) in order to identify minimum expectations associated with functional writing ability. Ultimately, it was determined that the measurement of writing competency would require the development of two separate tests: a writing objective test and a writing essay test. The actual work of test development, including the design of writing exercises, scoring procedures, and data analytic methods, and the pilot testing, began in 1980.

In 1984, eight writing prompts were field tested in a simulation of a statewide assessment. The following year the State Board of Education approved the recommendation of the NCCTC that two writing competency tests be added to the Competency Testing Program. The graduating class of 1988 will be the first class required to pass the writing tests in order to receive a diploma. In 1986, the writing tests were administered as part of the North Carolina Competency Testing Program to tenth-grade students.

The writing tests introduce two additional standards for graduation. The first of these standards, general proficiency in the areas of English writing mechanics, language usage, and in certain practical skill areas (such as the ability to complete a telephone message form and to address correctly a business envelope) is measured through an 84-item multiple choice writing objective test. A score of 63 (75 percent correct) on the objective test has been estal ished as the minimum passing score.

The second standard is proficiency in the point-of-view mode of writing. This skill is measured through a writing essay test. Each student's essay is reviewed by a team of professional readers/scorers and is assigned a score of "pass" or "fail" according to four specific criteria. In order to receive a passing score, the student must (1) state a position, (2) provide at least two supporting reasons, (3) elaborate the two reasons with additional detail, and (4) write legibly in English. Each criterion defines a specific compositional skill considered fundamental to functional communication in a real world situation.

Scoring Writing Samples

Interest in the measurement of writing skill is not new in the field of education. The feeling has prevailed that the best way to judge a student's writing ability is to read actual writing samples. However, because of the difficulty in obtaining agreement between scorers, tests using actual writing samples have been unreliable.

Motivated by recent concern about the quality of writing among public school and college students, instructional and measurement specialists have researched and isolated the sources of unreliability in earlier writing tests. Through detailed specification of scoring criteria and careful training and monitoring of scorers, reliable writing tests are now available.

The scoring procedure used in a writing assessment program is influenced by the program's purpose. The purposes of the present assessment program as specified by the North Carolina Competency Test Commission are (1) to differentiate between students who do and who do not demonstrate competency in the point-of-view mode of writing and (2) to identify the particular deficiency for any student who does not demonstrate writing competency so that the student



may be remediated. If an essay meets all four of the criteria specified above, it receives a score of "pass". If the essay does to the meet all the criteria, it receives a score of "fail" and also a statement of the particular cruerion not met by the essay.

Readers are trained to disregard individual biases concerning the importance of particular characteristics of written composition. Papers illustrating various criteria are presented and discussed. Only readers scoring trial papers with a high degree of accuracy are accepted as scorers for the actual ter

Before scoring begins, student and school identification information is separated from each composition. Each essay is scored independently by two readers who are expected to assign the same score in almost all cases. Any essay receiving discrepant pass/fail scores is rescored by a specially trained team leader. Agreement between readers and consistent adherence to the scoring criteria are monitored throughout the scoring session.

Strict security is observed during the scoring process. Each reader signs a confidentiality statement and wears an identification badge while in the scoring area. All scoring materials remain in the scoring rooms. Security personnel monitor compliance with security guidelines.

The Writing Task

The North Carolina Competency Writing Essay Test requires each student to write a point-of-view essay. Point of-view essays must include sufficient and clearly stated elaboration so that the position taken is meaningfully communicate. Specifically, the following criteria must be met:

- The writer must identify the subject matter and take a dominant position.
- The writer must provide at least two distinct reasons for taking the position.
- The writer must extend (clarify) at least two reasons by providing additional supporting detail.
- The writer must write legibly in English.

Essays are written in response to a prompt such as the following:

STATEMENT A: Students should be required to attend school until 2 ge sixteen.

STATEMENT B: Students should not be required to attend school until age sixteen.

Students are directed to read the statements, to choose <u>one</u> of the statements - their position, and to write an essay in which they state their position, give <u>two</u> or more different, clear reasons in support of their position, and explain each reason using details, illustrations, and/or examples.

Results for Sophomores Taking the Tests for the First Time

Table 6 presents results for sephomores taking the writing tests in 1988. Of the 72,052 public school students taking the objective test, 87.2 percent passed. Of the 71,934 students taking the writing essay test, 94.7 percent passed. Table 6 also shows the average percentage of correctly answered items for each learning objective of the writing objective test. Summary results are provided within various groups of North Carolina sophomores.

The passing rates for sophomores taking the tests for the first time in 1986 through 1988 are presented in Table 7. The passing rate for public school sophomores on the writing objective test is 1.5 percentage points lower than the passing rate in 1987. The passing rate on the

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		Number T Objective E	ested ssay	TAKIN MESS	IG A	CAPITALIZATION	PUNCTUATION	SENTENCE STRUCTURE	WORD USAGE	FORMS	WRITING OBJECTIVE TEST*	WRITING ESSAY TEST
Total Group Tes	ted				* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *							
First Time Sophomores	State	72052	71934		93	95	85	87	83	85	87.2	94.7
Failed Objective	Test or	Essay										
Failed Objective	State	9206			79	80	59	57	49	65	0.0	
Failed Essay	State		3799									0.0
Sex												
Male	State	36053	35958		92	93	83	85	81	81	82.8	93.0
Female	State	35982	35959	· · · ·	94	97	. 88	90	85	88	91.6	96.5
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		Numb Object	er Tested ive Essay	TAKING A MESSAGE	CAPITALIZATION	PUNCTUATION	SENTENCE STRUCTURE	WORD USAGE	FORMS	WRITING OBJECTIVE TEST*	WRITING ESSAY TEST
Ethnic Group											
American Indian	State	1132	1130	91	94	82	83	76	83	80.1	91.9
Black	State	20813	20767	. 89	93	80	83	72	80	74.9	90.9
White	State	49150	49086	95	96	88	90	88	86	92.7	96.4
Other	State	837	830	92	93	86	88	82	83	83.9	92.8
Exceptional Class	sification	!									
None	State	62096	62035	93	96	86	89	84	85	90.0	96.2
Academically Gifted	State	3744	3737	98	99	97	98	97	92	99.4	99.6
Multi- Handicapped	State	22	20	. 80	73	59	61	63	60	31.8	60.0
Hearing Impaired	State	46	47	87	90	76	71	62	76	60.9	70.2



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				r Tested re Essay	TAK MES	KING A SSAGE	CAPITALIZATION	PUNCTUATION	SENTENCE STRUCTURE	WORD USAGE	FORMS	WRITING OBJECTIVE TEST*	WRITING ESSAY TEST
	Visually Impaired	State	33	33		82	88	74	78	72	74	66.7	84.8
	Speech/Langua Impaired	ige State	45	45		87	84	70	70	57	66	42:2	86.7
	Emotionally Handicapped	State	287	280		78	80	62	61	57	65	35.5	62.9
	Orthopedically Handicapped	State	45	45_		82	86	65	72	71	72	53.3	80.0
	Specific Learnin Disabilities	g State	2170	2153	/ 1 	83.	83	65	62	55	71	36.3	74.3
	Other Health Impairment	State	0	0	;								
	Educable Menta Handicapped	illy State	1013	994	,	61	66	46	44	39	55	5.9	38.3
	Not Coded	State	2508	2502		93	95	84	87	83	84	86.3	95.5
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essay test is 3.7 percentage points higher than in 1987. The percentages passing both writing tests were higher for American Indian students in 1988 than in 1987. The largest gain on the essay test occurred among black students (6.2 percentage points) and American Indian students (7.9 percentage points). However, the passing rate for black students on the objective test declined by 3.2 percentage points.

For students not classified as exceptional 90.0 percent passed the writing objective test and 96.2 passed the essay test. About 99.4 percent of the academically gifted students passed the objective test and 99.6 percent passed the writing essay test. Passing rates for non-handicapped students were 90.5 on the writing objective test and 96.4 percent on the essay test. Passing rates for the writing tests vary widely among different groups of handicapped students. Passing rates were higher on the writing essay test than on the writing objective test for all handicapped groups.

Results for Juniors and Seniors

At the 1988 administration of the Competency Tests, 10,286 juniors took the writing objective test and 9,349 juniors took the writing essay test. Table 8 presents results for these students. Approximately 57.4 percent passed the writing objective test and 84.0 percent passed the essay test. Passing rates for juniors taking the tests for the first time are higher than rates for juniors who had taken and failed the tests in a previous administration. Of the juniors who had taken the tests before, 46.8 percent passed the objective test and 80.9 percent passed the essay test.

The writing tests were first administered to sophomores in 1986 and became a requirement for graduation with the class of 1988. The 1988 administration was the first to include seniors. Of the seniors who took the tests, 59.5 percent passed the objective test and 83.1 percent passed the essay test. Of the seniors who had taken the tests before, 49.2 percent passed the objective test and 77.5 percent passed the essay test.

TABLE 8

THE NC COMPETENCY TESTS
WRITING OBJECTIVE AND ESSAY TEST RESULTS FOR
JUNIORS AND SENIORS TESTED IN 1988

		CTIVE TEST	ESSAY TEST					
GROUP*	Number Tested	Percentage Passing	Number Tested	Percentage Passing				
All Juniors	10,286	57.4	9,349	84.0				
Tested Before No Yes	2,800 7,398	85.2 46.8	2,764 6,499	91.5 80.9				
All Seniors	6,292	59.5	4,556	83.1				
Tested Before No Yes	1,508 4,706	91.1 49.2	1,488 3,006	94.0 77.5				

^{*}Does not include students in the Extended Day Program



TABLE 7

THE NC COMPETENCY TESTS WRITING OBJECTIVE AND ESSAY TESTS: 1986-1988

PERCENTAGE OF FIRST-TIME STUDENTS PASSING WRITING OBJECTIVE TEST

GROUP	1986	1987	1988
State	86.9	88.7	87.2
Ethnic Group	_		
American Indian	75.0	76.1	80.1
Black	73.7	78.1	74.9
White	92.5	93.3	92.7
Other	82.3	84.5	83.9
Handicap			
Non-Handicapped	90.7	91.9	90.5
Handicapped	23.9	30.3	28.7
Exceptional Classification			
None	90.1	91.5	90.0
Academically Gifted	99.6	99.5	99,4
Multihandicapped	35.7	32.6	31.8
Hearing Impaired	43.5	61.4	60.9
Visually Impaired	63.0	80.6	66.7
Speech/Language Impaired	37.0	57.6	42.2
Emotionally Handicapped	32.4	37.4	35.5
Orthopedically Impaired	73.0	72.7	53.3
Learning Disabled	30.6	37.4	36.3
Educable Mentally Handicapped	5.1	8.2	5.9

PERCENTAGE OF FIRST-TIME STUDENTS PASSING WRITING ESSAY TEST

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Exceptional Classification			
None 89.7	92.6	96.2	
Academically Gifted 98.3		99.6	
Multihandicapped 31.7		60.0	
Hearing Impaired 63.0		70.2	
Visually Impaired 88.9	77.1	84.8	
Speech/Language Impaired 51.9	68.8	86.7	
Emotionally Handicapped 43.1		62.9	
Orthopedically Impaired 69.4		80.0	
Learning Disabled 56.2		74.3	
Educable Mentally Handicapped 26.1		38.3	



TABLE 9 STATEWIDE FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTION WRITING OBJECTIVE TEST ALL REGULAR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS: 1988*

Minimum Passing Score=63

Equated Score**	Number	Percent	Cumulative Number	Cumulative Percent
84	4432	4.7	94105	100.0
83	4611	4.9	89673	95.3
82	6009	6.4	85062	90.4
81	5888	6.3	79053	84.0
80	5541	5.9	73165	77.7
79	5039	5.4	67624	71.9
78	4688	5.0	62585	66.5
77	4305	4.6	57897	61.5
76	4145	4.4	53592	56.9
75	3674	3.9	49447	52.5
74	3461	3.7	45773	48.6
73	3195	3.4	42312	45.0
72	2910	3.1	39117	41.6
71	2722	2.9	36207	38.5
70	2537	2.7	33485	35.6
69	2424	2.6	30948	32.9
68	2114	2.2	28524	30.3
67	2024	2.2	26410	28.1
66	1874	2.0	24386	25.9
65	1906	2.0	22512	23.9
64	1631	1.7	20606	21.9
63	1559	1.7	18975	20.2
62	1494	1.6	17416	18.5
61	1376	1.5	15922	16.9
60	1271	1.4	14546	15.5
59	1180	1.3	13275	14.1
58	1077	1.1	12095	12.9
57	1000	1.1	11018	11.7
56	915	1.0	10018	10.6
55	854	0.9	9103	9.7
54	765	0.8	8249	8.8
53	657	0.7	7484	8.0
52	611	0.6	6827	7.3
51	557	0.6	6216	6.6
5 - 50	5659	6.0	5659	6.0

^{*}This table includes sophomores and juniors taking the writing objective test. Totals will not equal totals in tables which include only first-time takers.

**All writing objective test scores are equated.



Achievement on the Writing Objective Test

A minimum score of 63 is required to pass the 84-item writing objective test. Approximately 81.5 percent of all students tested scored 63 or above. Table 9 provides distributional information for the writing objective test. Approximately 16 percent of students scored 82 or above and 4.7 percent scored a perfect 84.

Among the 17,416 students who failed the objective test, 6,398 (36.7 percent) were within 5 points of passing.

Performance by Objective and Category

One purpose of the North Carolina Competency Testing Program is to diagnose specific weaknesses in basic skill areas so that students may be remediated. A student who meets all the objectives (criteria) on the writing essay test receives a score of 'pass'. A student who does not meet one or more of the objectives (criteria) receives a score of 'fail'. Table 10 shows the numbers and percentages of students who did not meet each writing essay test objective for 1987 and 1988. The categories of failing scores are hierarchical. If a student fails because he or she did not take a position, the student did not meet any of the criteria. If a student fails because he or she did not give two reasons, the student did take a position. If a student fails because he or she did not elaborate two reasons, the student did take a position and did provide two reasons. At the 1988 administration, less than 1 percent of the students did not give at least two reasons in support of their position, a decline of 2.3 percentage points from the 1987 administration.

TABLE 10
WRITING ESSAY TEST SCORE POINT DISTRIBUTION

	19	87	1988			
Score Point	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
Pass	70,589	91.0	68,135	94.7		
Fail: Did not take a position	70	.1	74	.1		
Fail: Did not give two reasons	2,488	3.2	652	.9		
Fail: Did not elaborate two reasons	4,390	5.7	3,032	4.2		
Fail: Could not be scored	32	.0	41	.0		

Table 5 shows the average percentage correct for each objective and application category of the writing objective test. Percentages for students who failed the writing objective test are in the second column.

For all students tested, performance was weakest on the 'word usage', 'punctuation', and 'forms' objectives, and the 'business letter', 'subject-verb agreement', and 'apostrophe' application categories. Students who failed the objective test often scored lowest within the same skill areas that were lowest for all students tested. The average performance of failing students, however, was substantially lower on these objectives and applications than was the average performance of all students.



Results for All Competency Tests

At the 1988 administration, of the 73,122 regular public school sophomores taking one or more competency tests for the first time, 71,006 sophomores took all four tests. Table 11 presents the pattern of numbers and percentages of students who passed all four tests or who failed one or more tests in 1988 and 1987.

Of the sophomores taking all the tests for the first time, approximately 81.2 percent fulfilled their competency test requirement by passing all four tests. Of the 13,318 students failing one or more tests, 6,961 (52.3 percent) failed only one test. Approximately 1.8 percent of all sophomores failed all four competency tests; this represents 9.4 percent of students failing one or more tests. The percentage passing all four tests in 1988 was slightly higher than in 1987. While the students who failed only the mathematics and writing objective tests increased, the percentage failing only the essay test decreased by 2.4 points.

TABLE 11
RESULTS FOR SOPHOMORES TAKING ALL FOUR COMPETENCY TESTS

Donding	Moth	Writing	Writing		87	. 19	
Reading	Man	Objective	Essay	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Fail	Fail	Fail	Fail	1,572	2.1	1,249	1.8
Fail	Fail	Fail	Pass	1,097	1.4	1,583	2.2
Fail	Fail	Pass	Fail	· 68	.1	58	0.1
Fail	Fail	Pass	Pass	251	.3	356	0.5
Fail	Pass	Fail	Fail	287	.4	217	0.3
Fail	Pass	Fail	Pass	451	.6	688	1.0
Fail	Pass	Pass	Fail	79	.1	43	0.1
Fail	Pass	Pass	Pass	249	.3	410	0.6
Pass	Fail	Fail	Fail	485	.6	294	0.4
Pass	Fail	Fail	Pass	1,091	1.4	1,316	1.9
Pass	Fail	Pass	Fail	374	.5	167	0.2
Pass	Fail	Pass	Pass	1,951	2.6	2,104	3.0
Pass	Pass	Fail	Fail	728	1.0	386	0.5
Pass	Pass	Fail	Pass	2,663	3.5	3,168	4.5
Pass	Pass	Pass	Fail	3,186	4.2	1,279	1.8
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	61,859	81.0	57,688	81.2
Sunt 44 ha agains status aga		Total		76,391	100.1	71,006	100.1

Reading and Mathematics Test Results for Educational Regions and Public School Systems

Table 12 presents the passing rates for students taking the tests for the first time in the 1978 through 1988 administrations by educational region. The reading passing rate declined in all educational regions from 1987 to 1988. The decline is largest in the Northeast, Southeast, and South Central regions where the most improvement had occurred in the 1978-87 period. In mathematics, declines in passing rates are evident in all but the Western region. Average performance by sophomores on the reading and mathematics objectives are presented in Table 13.

The percentage of students passing the reading and mathematics tests during the 1978-1988 period for the public school systems in the state are listed in Table 14. The 140 school systems are arranged by educational region. In reading, 35 school systems improved their passing rates between the 1987 and 1988 administrations. Although passing rates in reading are lower for most school systems in 1988 than in 1987, for 40 school systems the passing rates were at least 5 percentage points higher in 1988 than in 1978 and for 8 school systems the passing rates were at least 10 percentage points higher than in 1978. In mathematics, 48 school systems improved their passing rates between the 1987 and 1988 administrations. Since 1978, 58 school systems have gained at least 5 percentage points and 22 school systems have gained at least 10 percentage points in mathematics.



TABLE 12

THE NC COMPETENCY TESTS
READING AND MATHEMATICS: 1978-1988
RESULTS FOR EDUCATIONAL REGIONS

		PER	CENTAGE	OF FIF	RST-TIME	STUDE	NTS PAS	SING RE	EADING		
REGION	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
Northeast	85.7	86.7	88.4	28.2	89.5	89.8	94.1	92.3	93.4	93.5	91.7
Southeast	89.0	91.2	91.7	91.0	91.6	92.3	94.5	9 4.7	94.4	9 4.8	93.3
Central	90.2	90.7	91.6	90.3	92.1	91.8	94.9	94.3	94.9	93.8	93.1
South Central	88.4	90.4	90.6	91.2	91.9	91.7	94.2	92.7	93.0	93.5	91.5
North Central	91.3	93.0	94.1	92.8	93.9	93.9	96.3	95.1	95.2	95.7	94.8
Southwest	89.7	92.3	92.6	92.0	93.0	92.8	95.3	94.6	94.6	93.8	93.0
Northwest	93.4	94.5	94.6	94.3	94.7	94.7	95.8	95.7	94.5	94.7	94.2
Western	93.3	94.5	95.0	94.3	94.2	93.5	95.7	94.6	94.9	94.5	93.3
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		PERCE	NTAGE O	F FIRST	TIME S	TUDENT	S PASSIN	G MAT	HEMATI	<u>CS</u>	

REGION	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
Northeast	81.3	84.2	85.0	86.4	87.6	87.3	93.7	89.4	91.0	89.9	88.9
Southeast	84.5	87.2	87.9	88.9	88.4	88.8	92.7	91.0	92.6	91.0	89.1
Central	85.6	87.8	88.5	87.5	88.8	88.9	93.8	91.7	93.4	90.2	89.7
South Central	82.7	87.2	88.1	88.7	88.4	88.6	92.6	89.9	92.0	90.6	87.7
North Central	86.7	89.4	90.4	89,9	91.2	90.8	94.7	92.6	93.3	91.4	91.1
Southwest	85.7	89.8	90.1	90.4	91.2	90.5	93.7	92.4	93.3	90.2	89.2
Northwest	89.3	91.5	91.7	91.5	91.7	92.0	94.4	92.1	92.6	91.1	91.0
Western	89.0	90.9	91.2	91.3	91.0	90.6	94.4	90.8	93.2	89.8	90.0

Note. For the years 1978-1985, students took the tests for the first time in the fall of their junior year. In 1986 through 1988, students took the tests for the first time in the spring of their sophomore year.



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SUMMARY OF READING AND MATHEMATICS COMPETENCY TEST RESULTS FOR SOPHOMORES TAKING THE TESTS FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 1988 RESULTS FOR EDUCATIONAL REGIONS

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	2 Southeast	8261	8259	92	90	90	90	92	91	82	94	91	92	96	79	87	78	80	81	69	81	62	56	69	93.3	89.1
3	3 Central	11163	11166	92	90	90	91	92	92	83	94	92	92	96	81	88	80	81	82	71	82	66	56	71	93.1	89.7
	4 South Central	9609	9606	90	90	90	89	91	90	80	94	90	91	95	79	87	76	79	79	67	79	61	55	67	91.5	87.7
	5 North Central	13105	13135	93	90	91	91	93	93	85	95	92	93	96	80	89	79	81	82	71	8 3	66	57	72	94.8	91.1
	6 Southwest	12273	12296	92	90	90	90	92	92	83	9	91	92	95	80	88	78	80	81	69	81	64	56	70	93.0	89.2
	7 Northwest	7527	7539	93	90	90	91	93	92	85	94	92	93	96	80	89	81	82	82	71	83	66	57	73	94.2	91.0
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TABLE 14

THE NC COMPETENCY TESTS
RFADING AND MATHEMATICS: 1978-1988
RESULTS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEMS

Note. For the years 1978-1985, students took the tests for the first time in the fall of their junior year. In 1986-1988, students took the tests for the first time in the spring of their sophomore year.



TABLE 14
NORTHEAST REGION

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	PERCENTAGE	OF FIR	ST-TIME	JUNIC	RS PAS	SING F	READIN	<u>G</u>	Number Tested				
SCHOOL SYS	ГЕМ 1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1985				
Beaufort County	86.0	84.0	90.7	88.1	87.7	87.6	96.1	94.2	313				
Washington City	81.0	85.0	85.0	88.8	88.3	92.8	96.8	92.8	276				
Bertie County	79.0	81.0	79.2	79.3	83.8	86.7	87.9	85.5	283				
Camden County	88.0	90.0	95.7	91.1	90.9	94.4	98.7	95.6	91				
Chowan County	85.0	82.0	89.3	79.3	90.4	94.0	95.9	91.3	161				
Currituck County	92.0	91.0	97.1	92.6	95.8	93.4	97.4	93.8	97				
Dare County	99.0	96.0	98.4	96.2	92.3	98.2	98.8	97.6	168				
Gates County	84.0	86.0	78.5	93.9	94.9	88.1	90.8	90.7	118				
Hertford County	87.0	88.0	87.1	86.2	87.6	87.0	91.0	84.7	301				
Hyde County	84.0	80.0	84.9	85.3	96.7	82.1	93.7	93.2	73				
Martin County	86.0	86.0	87.2	88.1	89.8	91.9	95.8	94.8	308				
Pasquotank County	y 84.0	89.0	90.7	90.9	87.8	87.3	95.8	92.7	314				
Perquimans Count		89.0	91.0	92.0	92.1	91.9	96.0	88.6	88				
Pitt County	86.0	87.0	89.0	89.3	91.4	88.4	94.0	93.9	668				
Greenville City	92.0	92.0	91.9	91.3	92.0	91.8	94.5	93.6	392				
Tyrrell County	79.0	83.0	90.8	98.0	91.1	84.6	95.2	100.0	45				
Washington Count	84.0	82.0	85.5	86.7	87.7	88.9	88.2	91.4	210				
F	PERCENTAGE O	F FIRST	-TIME J	UNIORS	PASSI	NG MA	ГНЕМА	TICS	Number				
SCHOOL SYST	ГЕМ 1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	Tested 1985				
Beaufort County	77.0	77.0	86.7	84.2	79.6	84.1	95.4	88.5	313				
Washington City	74.0	78.0	80.5	81,0	85.5	87.2	97.2	87.4	277				
Bertie County	77.0	83.0	75.3	80.2	88.1	87.4	90.5	86.6	283				
Camden County	81.0	77.0	96.8	92.2	90.0	97.2	98.7	93.5	92				

Beaufort County Washington City Bertie County Camden County Chowan County Currituck County	77.0 74.0 77.0 81.0	19 79 77.0 78.0	1980 86.7	1981 84.2	1982	1983	1984	1985	Tested 1985
Washington City Bertie County Camden County Chowan County Currituck County	74.0 77.0	78.0		84.2	70.6	0.4.5			
Bertic County Camden County Chowan County Currituck County	77.0		~~ ~	~	79.6	84.1	95.4	88.5	313
Chowan County Currituck County			80.5	81,0	85.5	87.2	97.2	87.4	277
Chowan County Currituck County	81 N	83.0	75.3	80.2	88.1	87.4	90.5	86.6	283
Currituck County	01.0	77.0	96.8	92.2	90.0	97.2	98.7	93.5	92
	85.0	80.0	85.4	81.8	88.1	93.4	94.5	85.2	162
	92.0	92.0	97.1	92.6	97.5	93.4	97.4	95.8	96
Dare County	98.0	96.0	96.7	95.4	91.4	94.2	97.7	98.2	168
Gates County	80.0	82.0	81.9	91.8	93.2	88.1	90.1	90.7	118
Hertrord County	79.0	86.0	84.6	85.9	87.3	84.8	91.1	81.0	300
Hyde County	73.0	77.0	79.3	86.3	89.2	82.1	96.8	91.8	73
Martin County	83.0	84.0	85.9	85.4	85.3	87.9	93.8	92.8	307
Pasquotank County	82.0	90.0	89.6	91.4	85.6	82.5	92.8	90.8	314
Perquimans County	85.0	87.0	91.9	87.0	87.6	95.1	94.9	89.8	88
Pitt County	80.0	85.0	82.2	88.6	89.5	85.3	93.0	89.1	670
Greenville City	90.0	89.0	87.0	85.8	90.8	89.3	94.0	91.0	391
Tyrrell County	76.0	81.0	98.5	95.9	93.3	87.2	93.7	95.6	45
Washington County									



TABLE 14, continued

NORTHEAST REGION

	PERCENTAGE	OF FIRST-TIME	SOPHOMORES	PASSING READING	Number Tested
SCHOOL SYST	TEM 1986	1987	1988		1988
Beaufort County	92.7	96.6	88.9		298
Washington City	93.1	93.1	92.9		281
Bertie County	87.4	86.8	87.8		312
Camden County	97.9	100.0	97.5		80
Chowan County	96.3	93.4	93.8		145
Currituck County	95.8	97.2	99.2		133
Dare County	97.0	100.0	96.1		204
Gates County	94.2	95.3	93.5		123
Hertford County	89.6	89.0	88.7		293
Hyde County	90.8	97.7	84.9		7 3
Martin County	95.5	94.5	93.2		353
Pasquotank County	96.0	92.1	94.5		329
Perquimans County	97.9	90.6	89.2		130
Pitt County	92.6	94.0	91.1		1089
Greenville City	92.7		with Pitt County		
Tyrrell County	100.0	100.0	98.1		53
Washington Count	y 89.1	90.3	87.3		181

P	ERCENTAGE	OF	FIRST-TIME	SOPHOMORES	PASSING	MATHEMATICS Number
SCHOOL S	SYSTEM	198	36 198	7 1988		Tested 1988
Beaufort Cour	nty	87.5	5 94.4	86.2		298
Washington (City	90.8	91.0	89.3		281
Bertie County	,	90.0	86.2	88.5		312
Camden Cour	nty	96.8	3 100.0	96.2		80
Chowan Cou	nty	94.5	91.2	92.4		145
Currituck Cor	inty	93.7	97.3	97.0		132
Dare County	•	97.5	98.8			203
Gates County		94.9	91.4	90.2		123
Hertford Cour	nty	86.3	81.0	88.1		
Hyde County	•	88.4				72
Martin Count	y	90.9				355
Pasquotank C		92.2				327
Perquimans C	ounty	92.8	89.9	83.2		131
Pitt County	·	91.8	88.8			1091
Greenville Cit	ty	87.9		erged with Pitt Cou	ntv	2072
Tyrreli Count		97.9			•	53
Washington C	County	88.8	89.9	86.2	_	181



TABLE 14, continued

SOUTHEAST REGION

PERC	ENTAGE (OF FIRS	ST-TIME	JUNIO	RS PAS	SING R	EADING	ž	Number Tested
SCHOOL SYSTEM	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1985
Brunswick County	82.0	86.0	87.1	84.1	86.1	91.8	93.4	91.4	456
Carteret County	90.0	96.0	92.6	95.2	94.2	92.9	94.9	96.7	391
Craven County	86.0	87.0	91.9	90.2	91.2	92.4	95.4	95.7	720
New Bern City	88.0	93.0	92.8	merg	ged with C	Craven Co	unty		
Duplin County	87.0	91.0	91.5	87.4	89.8	90.0	94.5	92.3	478
Greene County	85.0	87.0	91.9	94.4	90.1	94.3	96.5	95.4	174
Jones County	85.0	90.0	84.6	95.5	86.0	87.9	94.8	89.7	87
Lenoir County	91.0	91.0	90.1	92.2	94.6	93.0	96.3	94.2	449
Kinston City	94.0	95.0	95.8	95.7	94.8	95.9	96.3	96.6	292
New Hanover County	93.0	94.0	93.6	94.5	94.2	95.3	94.7	96.1	1343
Onslow County	92.0	95.0	94.2	93.3	94.0	92.9	96.4	96.5	925
Pamlico County	91.0	88.0	90.3	92.5	90.1	93.3	94.1	96.3	107
Pender County	83.0	90.0	88.5	89.3	86.3	87.5		93.8	256
Sampson County	86.0	91.0	86.8	86.2	87.1	87.1	93.1	91.4	396
Clinton City	92.0	88.0	86.0	88.8	89.9	93.8	93.4	87.7	162
Wayne County	88.0	90.0	94.4	90.0	91.7	93.2	93.9	94.5	848
Goldsboro City	86.0	82.0	87.6	86.4	90.4	87.3	92.3	94.6	242
PERCE	NTAGE OF	FIRST	TIME J	UNIORS	PASSII	NG MA	СНЕМА	TICS	Number
PERCE?	NTAGE OF	FIRST-	TIME J 1980	UNIORS	1982	NG <u>MA</u> 3	CHEMA 1934	TICS 1985	Number Tested 1985
SCHOOL SYSTEM Brunswick County						1983	1934	1985	Tested 1985
SCHOOL SYSTEM Brunswick County Carteret County	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982		1934 90.4	1985 84.8	Tested 1985 455
SCHOOL SYSTEM Brunswick County Carteret County Craven County	1978 74.0 85.0 80.0	1979 79.0 94.0 84.0	78.0 91.4 93.8	1981 79.4	1 982 78.9	1983 84.1	1934	1985	Tested 1985 455 390
SCHOOL SYSTEM Brunswick County Carteret County	1978 74.0 85.0	1979 79.0 94.0	1980 78.0 91.4	79.4 93.1 90.5	1982 78.9 94.5	1983 84.1 91.7 88.8	1934 90.4 94.5 92.7	1985 84.8 93.1	Tested 1985 455
SCHOOL SYSTEM Brunswick County Carteret County Craven County New Bern City Duplin County	1978 74.0 85.0 80.0	1979 79.0 94.0 84.0	78.0 91.4 93.8	79.4 93.1 90.5	78.9 94.5 88.5	1983 84.1 91.7 88.8	1934 90.4 94.5 92.7	1985 84.8 93.1	Tested 1985 455 390 721
Brunswick County Carteret County Craven County New Bern City Duplin County Greene County	74.0 85.0 80.0 81.0	79.0 94.0 84.0 88.0	78.0 91.4 93.8 89.9	79.4 93.1 90.5 merg	78.9 94.5 88.5 ed with C	1983 84.1 91.7 88.8 raven Cou	90.4 94.5 92.7 inty	1985 84.8 93.1 92.1	Tested 1985 455 390 721
Brunswick County Carteret County Craven County New Bern City Duplin County Greene County Jones County	74.0 85.0 80.0 81.0 82.0 84.0 82.0	79.0 94.0 84.0 88.0 89.0 87.0 90.0	78.0 91.4 93.8 89.9	79.4 93.1 90.5 merg	78.9 94.5 88.5 ed with C	1983 84.1 91.7 88.8 raven Cou	90.4 94.5 92.7 unty	1985 84.8 93.1 92.1	Tested 1985 455 390 721 478 175
Brunswick County Carteret County Craven County New Bern City Duplin County Greene County	74.0 85.0 80.0 81.0	79.0 94.0 84.0 88.0	78.0 91.4 93.8 89.9	79.4 93.1 90.5 merg 85.5 95.5	78.9 94.5 88.5 red with C	1983 84.1 91.7 88.8 raven Cou	90.4 94.5 92.7 inty 93.4 94.7	1985 84.8 93.1 92.1	Tested 1985 455 390 721
Brunswick County Carteret County Craven County New Bern City Duplin County Greene County Jones County	74.0 85.0 80.0 81.0 82.0 84.0 82.0	79.0 94.0 84.0 88.0 89.0 87.0 90.0	78.0 91.4 93.8 89.9 92.0 91.0 85.2 86.9	79.4 93.1 90.5 merg 85.5 95.5 94.4 87.7	78.9 94.5 88.5 ed with C 91.6 90.7 89.0 87.6	1983 84.1 91.7 88.8 raven Cou 87.3 93.0 90.9 87.4	90.4 94.5 92.7 inty 93.4 94.7 93.0 91.9	90.6 90.9 87.5 90.0	Tested 1985 455 390 721 478 175 88 448
Brunswick County Carteret County Craven County New Bern City Duplin County Greene County Jones County Lenoir County	74.0 85.0 80.0 81.0 82.0 84.0 82.0 86.0	79.0 94.0 84.0 88.0 89.0 87.0 90.0 85.0	78.0 91.4 93.8 89.9 92.0 91.0 85.2 86.9	79.4 93.1 90.5 merg 85.5 95.5 94.4 87.7	78.9 94.5 88.5 ged with C 91.6 90.7 89.0 87.6	1983 84.1 91.7 88.8 raven Con 87.3 93.0 90.9 87.4	90.4 94.5 92.7 inty 93.4 94.7 93.0 91.9	90.6 90.9 87.5 90.0	Tested 1985 455 390 721 478 175 88 448
Brunswick County Carteret County Craven County New Bern City Duplin County Greene County Jones County Lenoir County Kinston City	74.0 85.0 80.0 81.0 82.0 84.0 82.0 86.0	79.0 94.0 84.0 88.0 89.0 87.0 90.0 85.0	78.0 91.4 93.8 89.9 92.0 91.0 85.2 86.9	79.4 93.1 90.5 merg 85.5 95.5 94.4 87.7	78.9 94.5 88.5 ged with C 91.6 90.7 89.0 87.6	84.1 91.7 88.8 raven Cor 87.3 93.0 90.9 87.4	90.4 94.5 92.7 inty 93.4 94.7 93.0 91.9	90.6 90.9 87.5 90.0 93.4 91.8	Tested 1985 455 390 721 478 175 88 448 290 1343
Brunswick County Carteret County Craven County New Bern City Duplin County Greene County Jones County Lenoir County Kinston City New Hanover County	74.0 85.0 80.0 81.0 82.0 84.0 82.0 86.0	79.0 94.0 84.0 88.0 89.0 87.0 90.0 85.0	78.0 91.4 93.8 89.9 92.0 91.0 85.2 86.9	79.4 93.1 90.5 merg 85.5 95.5 94.4 87.7	78.9 94.5 88.5 ged with C 91.6 90.7 89.0 87.6	1983 84.1 91.7 88.8 raven Con 87.3 93.0 90.9 87.4	90.4 94.5 92.7 inty 93.4 94.7 93.0 91.9	90.6 90.9 87.5 90.0	Tested 1985 455 390 721 478 175 88 448
Brunswick County Carteret County Craven County New Bern City Duplin County Greene County Jones County Lenoir County Kinston City New Hanover County Onslow County	1978 74.0 85.0 80.0 81.0 82.0 84.0 82.0 86.0 91.0 89.0 89.0 86.0	79.0 94.0 84.0 88.0 89.0 87.0 90.0 85.0 92.0 90.0 90.0 88.0	78.0 91.4 93.8 89.9 92.0 91.0 85.2 86.9 93.8 87.6 92.2 81.3	79.4 93.1 90.5 merg 85.5 95.5 94.4 87.7 93.6 91.7 94.2 94.3	78.9 94.5 88.5 ged with C 91.6 90.7 89.0 87.6 92.5 89.4 93.2 84.4	84.1 91.7 88.8 raven Cor 87.3 93.0 90.9 87.4 92.5 91.2 92.0 90.7	90.4 94.5 92.7 inty 93.4 94.7 93.0 91.9 97.7 92.1 96.0 95.3	90.6 90.9 87.5 90.0 93.4 91.8 95.0 95.3	Tested 1985 455 390 721 478 175 88 448 290 1343 926 107
Brunswick County Carteret County Craven County New Bern City Duplin County Greene County Jones County Lenoir County Kinston City New Hanover County Onslow County Pamlico County	74.0 85.0 80.0 81.0 82.0 84.0 82.0 86.0 91.0 89.0 89.0 86.0	79.0 94.0 84.0 88.0 89.0 87.0 90.0 85.0 92.0 90.0 90.0 88.0	78.0 91.4 93.8 89.9 92.0 91.0 85.2 86.9 93.8 87.6 92.2 81.3	79.4 93.1 90.5 merg 85.5 95.5 94.4 87.7 93.6 91.7 94.2 94.3	78.9 94.5 88.5 ged with C 91.6 90.7 89.0 87.6 92.5 89.4 93.2 84.4	84.1 91.7 88.8 raven Cor 87.3 93.0 90.9 87.4 92.5 91.2 92.0 90.7	90.4 94.5 92.7 inty 93.4 94.7 93.0 91.9 97.7 92.1 96.0 95.3	90.6 90.9 87.5 90.0 93.4 91.8 95.0 95.3	Tested 1985 455 390 721 478 175 88 448 290 1343 926 107
Brunswick County Carteret County Craven County New Bern City Duplin County Greene County Jones County Lenoir County Kinston City New Hanover County Onslow County Pamlico County	74.0 85.0 80.0 81.0 82.0 84.0 82.0 86.0 91.0 89.0 86.0	1979 79.0 94.0 84.0 88.0 89.0 87.0 90.0 90.0 90.0 98.0 87.0 88.0	78.0 91.4 93.8 89.9 92.0 91.0 85.2 86.9 93.8 87.6 92.2 81.3	79.4 93.1 90.5 merg 85.5 95.5 94.4 87.7 93.6 91.7 94.2 94.3	78.9 94.5 88.5 ged with C 91.6 90.7 89.0 87.6 92.5 89.4 93.2 84.4 80.6 85.9	84.1 91.7 88.8 raven Cor 87.3 93.0 90.9 87.4 92.5 91.2 92.0 90.7	90.4 94.5 92.7 inty 93.4 94.7 93.0 91.9 97.7 92.1 96.0 95.3	90.6 90.9 87.5 90.0 93.4 91.8 95.0 95.3	Tested 1985 455 390 721 478 175 88 448 290 1343 926 107 258 396
Brunswick County Carteret County Craven County New Bern City Duplin County Greene County Jones County Lenoir County Kinston City New Hanover County Onslow County Pamlico County Pender County Sampson County	74.0 85.0 80.0 81.0 82.0 84.0 82.0 86.0 91.0 89.0 89.0 86.0	79.0 94.0 84.0 88.0 89.0 87.0 90.0 85.0 92.0 90.0 90.0 88.0	78.0 91.4 93.8 89.9 92.0 91.0 85.2 86.9 93.8 87.6 92.2 81.3	79.4 93.1 90.5 merg 85.5 95.5 94.4 87.7 93.6 91.7 94.2 94.3	78.9 94.5 88.5 ged with C 91.6 90.7 89.0 87.6 92.5 89.4 93.2 84.4	84.1 91.7 88.8 raven Cor 87.3 93.0 90.9 87.4 92.5 91.2 92.0 90.7	90.4 94.5 92.7 inty 93.4 94.7 93.0 91.9 97.7 92.1 96.0 95.3	90.6 90.9 87.5 90.0 93.4 91.8 95.0 95.3	Tested 1985 455 390 721 478 175 88 448 290 1343 926 107



TABLE 14, continued SOUTHEAST REGION

	PERCENTAGE	OF FIRST-TIME	SOPHOMORES	PASSING	READING	Number
SCHOOL SYST	EM 1986	1987	1988			Tested 1988
Brunswick County	94.9	95.1	94.3			512
Carteret County	93.8	95.8 .	96.2			501
Craven County	97.0	94.6	94.0			865
New Bern City		ged with Craven Cour				805
Duplin County	92.5	90.1	89.6		-	604
Greene County	95.3	96.4	94.1			136
Jones County	92.9	89.8	89.2			102
Lenoir County	95.0	93.5	94.4			431
Kinston City	93.0	95.9	95.2			311
New Hanover Coun		96.5	93.2			1358
Onslow County	96.2	97.6	94.7			1085
Pamlico County	94.2	93.1	89.5			143
Pender County	93,1	96.3	91.7			350
Sampson County	90.2	93.1	94.1			442
Clinton City -	89.1	93.5	91.8			182
Wayne County	95.4	94.6	93.6			
		74.V				876
Goldsboro City	89.4	91.0	88.2			313

PERCENTAGI	E OF FIRS	T-TIME SOP	HOMORES	PASSING	MATHEMATICS	
SCHOOL SYSTEM	1986	1987	1988			Tested 1988
Brunswick County	89.4	87.8	89.1			506
Carteret County	91.8	92.5	92.4			500
Craven County	93.9	92.7	88.2			866
New Bern City		with Craven Cou				600
Duplin County	92.8	89.7	87.5			601
Greene County	91.2	94.0	89.8			186
Jones County	94.5	88.4	87.1			101
Lenoir County	92.9	88.5	90.8			434
Kinston City	95.8	94.2	89.6			309
New Hanover County	93.4	91.5	87.7			1361
Onslow County	96.5	95.4	94.6			1087
Pamlico County	96.2	94.4	91.6			143
Pender County	90.2	89.5	86.0	-		350
Sampson County	89.3	89.8	88.7			441
Clinton City	86.1	86.5	87.3			181
Wayne County	94.0	91.3	88.4			881
Goldsboro City	81.6	77.4	80.1			312



CENTRAL REGION

	PERCEN I'A	GE OF	FIRST-T	ime jun	NIORS PA	ASSING E	READING	ž		Number Tested
SCHOOL SYSTE	EM	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1985
Durham County		96.0	97.0	97.4	95.8	96.6	95.9	97.9	96.9	1001
Purham City		90.0	88.0	91.9	88.1	91.9	90.9	95.2	95.6	1001 298
Edgecombe County	,	83.0	83.0	82.4	78.8	84.8	87.0	90.8	89.3	309
Tarboro City		88.0	85.0	88.3	91.2	89.5	92.6	98.0	94.4	196
Franklin County		90.0	92.0	90.4	86.9	88.9	89.9	94.1	93.0	244
Franklinton City		92.0	84.0	90.5	90.4	84.5	79.0	83.3	85.1	87
Granville County		90.0	90.0	94.1	89.7	90.7	94.2	94.9	93.4	467
Halifax County	······································	77.0	73.0	81.3	75.6	84.6	80.0	86.5	90.5	283
Roanoke Rapids C	•	95.0	96.0	98.6	95.5	96.4	96.7	98.9	94.7	187
Weldon City		77.0	82.0	77.6	91.8	91.1	87.1	86.2	83.1	71
Johnston County		93.0	95.0	95.7	93.7	95.7	93.8	97.1	95.4	874
Nash County		86.0 	85.0	90.1	88.0	91.2	88.1	93.2	93.3	685
Rocky Mount City		91.0	94.0	92.8	91.8	93.5	93.5	94.2	95.4	349
Northampton Coun		83.0	83.0	87.1	82.7	83.7	88.5	84.9	88.7	213
Vance County		86.0	87.0	90.2	88.8	90.2	90.6	93.1	91.8	514
Wake County	·	93.0 	94.0	93.8	94.0	93.8	94.5	97.2	96.2	3697
Warren County		84.0	89.0	86.0	85.1	88.1	81.9	90.5	91.4	186
Wilson County		88.0 	90.0	87.4	86.6	91.9	89.3	93.1	91.4	872
P	ERCENTAGE	e of fi	RST-TIM	E JUNIO	RS PASS	ING MA	THEMA	rics		
P SCHOOL SYSTE		E OF FI 1978	RST-TIM 1979	E JUNIO	ORS PASS	ING <u>MA</u>	THEMA 1983	TICS 1984	1985	Number Tested 1985
SCHOOL SYSTE	M 1	1978 94.0	1979 94.0	1980 95.5						Tested 4985
SCHOOL SYSTE Durham County Durham City	M 1	1978	1979	1980 95.5 87.3	1981	1982	1983	1984 96.0	92.4	Tested 4985 993
SCHOOL SYSTE Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County	M 1	1978 94.0 75.0 77.0	1979 94.0 82.0 81.0	1980 95.5 87.3 79.2	1981 93.5 78.4 77.9	1982 93.2	1983 93.2	1984	92.4 89.3	Tested 4985 993 299
SCHOOL SYSTE Durham County Durham City	M 1	1978 94.0 75.0	1979 94.0 82.0	1980 95.5 87.3	1981 93.5 78.4	1982 93.2 85.3	1983 93.2 78.6	1984 96.0 92.1	92.4	Tested 4985 993
SCHOOL SYSTE Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County	M 1	94.0 75.0 77.0 37.0	1979 94.0 82.0 81.0	1980 95.5 87.3 79.2	1981 93.5 78.4 77.9	93.2 85.3 85.3	1983 93.2 78.6 82.9	1984 96.0 92.1 89.1	92.4 89.3 88.3 91.3	Tested 4985 993 299 307 196
SCHOOL SYSTE Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City	M 1	94.0 75.0 77.0 37.0 34.0	94.0 82.0 81.0 79.0	95.5 87.3 79.2 82.3	93.5 78.4 77.9 89.0	93.2 85.3 85.3 86.7	1983 93.2 78.6 82.9 82.4	96.0 92.1 89.1 96.5	92.4 89.3 88.3 91.3	Tested 1985 993 299 307 196
SCHOOL SYSTE Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County	M 1	94.0 75.0 77.0 37.0 34.0 36.0	94.0 82.0 81.0 79.0 89.0 77.0 88.0	95.5 87.3 79.2 82.3 89.0 88.6 91.1	93.5 78.4 77.9 89.0	93.2 85.3 85.3 86.7	1983 93.2 78.6 82.9 82.4	96.0 92.1 89.1 96.5	92.4 89.3 88.3 91.3	Tested 1985 993 299 307 196 243 37
SCHOOL SYSTE Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City	M 1	94.0 75.0 77.0 37.0 34.0 36.0	94.0 82.0 81.0 79.0	95.5 87.3 79.2 82.3 89.0 88.6	93.5 78.4 77.9 89.0 83.6 89.4	93.2 85.3 85.3 86.7	93.2 78.6 82.9 82.4 86.4 75.6	96.0 92.1 89.1 96.5 90.2 78.5	92.4 89.3 88.3 91.3	Tested 1985 993 299 307 196
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Roanoke Rapids Ci	M 1 9 7 8 8 8 8 8 7 7 ty 9	94.0 75.0 77.0 37.0 34.0 34.0 72.0	94.0 82.0 81.0 79.0 89.0 77.0 88.0 72.0	95.5 87.3 79.2 82.3 89.0 88.6 91.1	93.5 78.4 77.9 89.0 83.6 89.4 88.8	93.2 85.3 85.3 86.7 84.3 80.4 88.8	93.2 78.6 82.9 82.4 86.4 75.6 92.3	96.0 92.1 89.1 96.5 90.2 78.5 94.4	92.4 89.3 88.3 91.3 92.6 81.6 92.1 90.8	Tested 1985 993 299 307 196 243 37 470 284
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Roanoke Rapids Ci Weldon City	M 1 9 7 8 8 8 8 8 7 7 ty 9	94.0 75.0 77.0 37.0 34.0 34.0 72.0	94.0 82.0 81.0 79.0 89.0 77.0 88.0 72.0	95.5 87.3 79.2 82.3 89.0 88.6 91.1 82.1	93.5 78.4 77.9 89.0 83.6 89.4 88.8 74.5	93.2 85.3 85.3 86.7 84.3 80.4 88.8 85.2	93.2 78.6 82.9 82.4 86.4 75.6 92.3 86.4	96.0 92.1 89.1 96.5 90.2 78.5 94.4 88.0	92.4 89.3 88.3 91.3 92.6 81.6 92.1 90.8	Tested 1985 993 299 307 196 243 37 470 284
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Roanoke Rapids Ci Weldon City Johnston County	M 1 9 7 7 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	94.0 75.0 77.0 37.0 34.0 34.0 72.0	94.0 82.0 81.0 79.0 89.0 77.0 88.0 72.0	95.5 87.3 79.2 82.3 89.0 88.6 91.1 82.1	93.5 78.4 77.9 89.0 83.6 89.4 88.8 74.5	93.2 85.3 85.3 86.7 84.3 80.4 88.8 85.2 96.4 68.9	93.2 78.6 82.9 82.4 86.4 75.6 92.3 86.4 96.2 80.6	96.0 92.1 89.1 96.5 90.2 78.5 94.4 88.0	92.4 89.3 88.3 91.3 92.6 81.6 92.1 90.8	Tested 1985 993 299 307 196 243 37 470 284
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Roanoke Rapids Ci Weldon City	M 1 9 7 9 9 7 9	94.0 75.0 77.0 37.0 34.0 34.0 72.0 72.0	94.0 82.0 81.0 79.0 89.0 77.0 88.0 72.0	95.5 87.3 79.2 82.3 89.0 88.6 91.1 82.1	93.5 78.4 77.9 89.0 83.6 89.4 88.8 74.5	93.2 85.3 85.3 86.7 84.3 80.4 88.8 85.2	93.2 78.6 82.9 82.4 86.4 75.6 92.3 86.4	96.0 92.1 89.1 96.5 90.2 78.5 94.4 88.0	92.4 89.3 88.3 91.3 92.6 81.6 92.1 90.8	Tested 1985 993 299 307 196 243 37 470 284
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Roanoke Rapids Ci Weldon City Johnston County Nash County Rocky Mount City	M 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	94.0 75.0 77.0 37.0 34.0 34.0 72.0 77.0 90.0 81.0	94.0 82.0 81.0 79.0 89.0 77.0 88.0 72.0 94.0 72.0 92.0	95.5 87.3 79.2 82.3 89.0 88.6 91.1 82.1 98.1 70.9 92.6	93.5 78.4 77.9 89.0 83.6 89.4 88.8 74.5 95.5 83.5 91.0	93.2 85.3 85.3 86.7 84.3 80.4 88.8 85.2 96.4 68.9 93.2 89.5	93.2 78.6 82.9 82.4 86.4 75.6 92.3 86.4 96.2 80.6 92.0 85.9	96.0 92.1 89.1 96.5 90.2 78.5 94.4 88.0 97.8 83.1 96.0 92.4	92.4 89.3 88.3 91.3 92.6 81.6 92.1 90.8 90.9 78.9 93.9 92.8	Tested 1985 993 299 307 196 243 37 470 284 187 71 874 691
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Roanoke Rapids Ci Weldon City Johnston County Nash County Rocky Mount City Northampton Count	M 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	94.0 75.0 77.0 37.0 34.0 34.0 72.0 77.0 90.0 81.0	94.0 82.0 81.0 79.0 89.0 77.0 88.0 72.0 94.0 72.0 92.0 81.0	95.5 87.3 79.2 82.3 89.0 88.6 91.1 82.1 98.1 70.9 92.6 86.0	93.5 78.4 77.9 89.0 83.6 89.4 88.8 74.5 95.5 83.5 91.0 82.7	93.2 85.3 85.3 86.7 84.3 80.4 88.8 85.2 96.4 68.9 93.2 89.5	93.2 78.6 82.9 82.4 86.4 75.6 92.3 86.4 96.2 80.6 92.0 85.9	96.0 92.1 89.1 96.5 90.2 78.5 94.4 88.0 97.8 83.1 96.0 92.4	92.4 89.3 88.3 91.3 92.6 81.6 92.1 90.8 90.9 78.9 93.9 92.8 91.0	Tested 1985 993 299 307 196 243 37 470 284 187 71 874 691
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Roanoke Rapids Ci Weldon City Johnston County Nash County Rocky Mount City Northampton County Vance County	M 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	94.0 75.0 77.0 37.0 34.0 34.0 72.0 77.0 90.0 81.0	94.0 82.0 81.0 79.0 89.0 77.0 88.0 72.0 94.0 72.0 92.0 81.0	95.5 87.3 79.2 82.3 89.0 88.6 91.1 82.1 98.1 70.9 92.6 86.0	93.5 78.4 77.9 89.0 83.6 89.4 88.8 74.5 95.5 83.5 91.0 82.7	93.2 85.3 85.3 86.7 84.3 80.4 88.8 85.2 96.4 68.9 93.2 89.5	93.2 78.6 82.9 82.4 86.4 75.6 92.3 86.4 96.2 80.6 92.0 85.9	96.0 92.1 89.1 96.5 90.2 78.5 94.4 88.0 97.8 83.1 96.0 92.4	92.4 89.3 88.3 91.3 92.6 81.6 92.1 90.8 90.9 78.9 93.9 92.8 91.0 83.6	Tested 1985 993 299 307 196 243 37 470 284 187 71 874 691 345 213
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Roanoke Rapids Ci Weldon City Johnston County Nash County Rocky Mount City Northampton Count	M 1 2 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	94.0 75.0 77.0 37.0 34.0 34.0 72.0 77.0 90.0 81.0	94.0 82.0 81.0 79.0 89.0 77.0 88.0 72.0 94.0 72.0 92.0 81.0	95.5 87.3 79.2 82.3 89.0 88.6 91.1 82.1 98.1 70.9 92.6 86.0	93.5 78.4 77.9 89.0 83.6 89.4 88.8 74.5 95.5 83.5 91.0 82.7	93.2 85.3 85.3 86.7 84.3 80.4 88.8 85.2 96.4 68.9 93.2 89.5	93.2 78.6 82.9 82.4 86.4 75.6 92.3 86.4 96.2 80.6 92.0 85.9	96.0 92.1 89.1 96.5 90.2 78.5 94.4 88.0 97.8 83.1 96.0 92.4	92.4 89.3 88.3 91.3 92.6 81.6 92.1 90.8 90.9 78.9 93.9 92.8 91.0	Tested 1985 993 299 307 196 243 37 470 284 187 71 874 691
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Roanoke Rapids Ci Weldon City Johnston County Nash County Rocky Mount City Northampton County Vance County	M 1 2 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	94.0 75.0 77.0 37.0 34.0 34.0 72.0 77.0 90.0 81.0 96.0 96.0 96.0	94.0 82.0 81.0 79.0 89.0 77.0 88.0 72.0 94.0 72.0 92.0 81.0	95.5 87.3 79.2 82.3 89.0 88.6 91.1 82.1 98.1 70.9 92.6 86.0 93.3 78.1 87.4 90.9	93.5 78.4 77.9 89.0 83.6 89.4 88.8 74.5 95.5 83.5 91.0 82.7 91.2 74.8 84.3 92.2	93.2 85.3 85.3 86.7 84.3 80.4 88.8 85.2 96.4 68.9 93.2 89.5 91.0 79.1 90.2 90.2	93.2 78.6 82.9 82.4 86.4 75.6 92.3 86.4 96.2 80.6 92.0 85.9 92.3 79.0 91.5 91.7	96.0 92.1 89.1 96.5 90.2 78.5 94.4 88.0 97.8 83.1 96.0 92.4 92.0 86.3 94.8 95.9	92.4 89.3 88.3 91.3 92.6 81.6 92.1 90.8 90.9 78.9 93.9 92.8 91.0 83.6 92.0 93.3	Tested 1985 993 299 307 196 243 37 470 284 187 71 874 691 345 213 514 3694
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Roanoke Rapids Ci Weldon City Johnston County Nash County Rocky Mount City Northampton County Vance County Wake County	M 1 2 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	94.0 75.0 77.0 37.0 34.0 34.0 72.0 77.0 90.0 81.0 90.0 90.0	94.0 82.0 81.0 79.0 89.0 77.0 88.0 72.0 94.0 72.0 92.0 81.0	95.5 87.3 79.2 82.3 89.0 88.6 91.1 82.1 98.1 70.9 92.6 86.0	93.5 78.4 77.9 89.0 83.6 89.4 88.8 74.5 95.5 83.5 91.0 82.7 91.2 74.8 84.3	93.2 85.3 85.3 86.7 84.3 80.4 88.8 85.2 96.4 68.9 93.2 89.5	93.2 78.6 82.9 82.4 86.4 75.6 92.3 86.4 96.2 80.6 92.0 85.9	96.0 92.1 89.1 96.5 90.2 78.5 94.4 88.0 97.8 83.1 96.0 92.4 92.0 86.3 94.8	92.4 89.3 88.3 91.3 92.6 81.6 92.1 90.8 90.9 78.9 93.9 92.8 91.0 83.6 92.0	1985 993 299 307 196 243 37 470 284 187 71 874 691 345 213 514



CENTRAL REGION

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PE	RCENTAGE OF F	TRST-TIME SO	PHOMORES PASSING R	
SCHOOL SYSTEM	1986	1987	1988	Tested 1988
Durham County	97.8	96.9	96.0	1174
Durham Cit	92.7	91.5	91.1	384
Edgecombe County	92.5	90.0	91.2	353
Tarboro City	99.5	93.7	93.2	191
Franklin County	91.5	97.6	90.8	283
Franklinton City	90.6	81.9	83.8	111
Granville County	92.8	92.8	91.8	426
Halifax County	90.7	85.4	84.9	385
Roanoke Rapids City	95.4	98.1	99.0	207
Weldon City	97.2	93.3	90.4	83
Johnston County	95.7	95.4	96.4	990
Nash County	93.3	94.1	92.7	741
Rocky Mount City	94.6	92.3	85.3	368
Northampton County	90.6	85.1	86.1	245
Vance County	91.1	91.5	88.2	527
Wake County	96.8	95.4	95.2	3695
Warren County	94.2	93.4	96.2	184
Wilson County	92.4	90.9	91.5	816
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PERCENT		IME SOPHOM	ORES PASSING <u>MATHEM</u>	
SCHOOL SYSTEM Durham County	1 1986 94.8	1987 93.4	19 %8 91.3	Tested
SCHOOL SYSTEM Durham County Durham City	1 1986 94.8 84.3	1987 93.4 78.8	19%8 91.3 75.5	Tested 1988
SCHOOL SYSTEM Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County	1986 94.8 84.3 91.3	1987 93.4 78.8 88.1	1928 91.3 75.5 86.5	Tested 1988 1167
SCHOOL SYSTEM Durham County Durham City	1 1986 94.8 84.3	1987 93.4 78.8	19%8 91.3 75.5	Tested 1988 1167 384
SCHOOL SYSTEM Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County	94.8 84.3 91.3 97.2	1987 93.4 78.8 88.1	1928 91.3 75.5 86.5	Tested 1988 1167 384 355
SCHOOL SYSTEM Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City	94.8 84.3 91.3 97.2 86.8 89.4	1987 93.4 78.8 88.1 89.5	1928 91.3 75.5 86.5 91.6	Tested 1988 1167 384 355 191
SCHOOL SYSTEM Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County	94.8 84.3 91.3 97.2 86.8 89.4 90.8	93.4 78.8 88.1 89.5	1928 91.3 75.5 86.5 91.6	Tested 1988 1167 384 355 191 281 112
SCHOOL SYSTEM Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City	94.8 84.3 91.3 97.2 86.8 89.4	93.4 78.8 88.1 89.5	1928 91.3 75.5 86.5 91.6	Tested 1988 1167 384 355 191
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Roanoke Rapids City	94.8 84.3 91.3 97.2 86.8 89.4 90.8	93.4 78.8 88.1 89.5 96.0 75.6 87.9	19%8 91.3 75.5 86.5 91.6 84.7 85.7 86.7	Tested 1988 1167 384 355 191 281 112 429 389
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Roanoke Rapids City Weldon City	94.8 84.3 91.3 97.2 86.8 89.4 90.8 92.2	93.4 78.8 88.1 89.5 96.0 75.6 87.9 82.1	19%8 91.3 75.5 86.5 91.6 84.7 85.7 86.7 78.9	Tested 1988 1167 384 355 191 281 112 429 389
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Roanoke Rapids City	94.8 84.3 91.3 97.2 86.8 89.4 90.8 92.2	93.4 78.8 88.1 89.5 96.0 75.6 87.9 82.1	19%8 91.3 75.5 86.5 91.6 84.7 85.7 86.7 78.9	Tested 1988 1167 384 355 191 281 112 429 389



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SOUTH CENTRAL REGION

	PERCENTAGE O	F FIRST-	TIME JU	NIORS P	ASSING	READIN	<u>G</u>		Number Tested
SCHOOL SYSTE	M 1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1985
Bladen County	84.0	87.0	90.8	88.4	89.1	88.3	91.9	91.1	395
Columbus County	81.0	86.0	85.1	89.2	89.5	86.6	87.6	88.7	551
Whiteville City	95.0	90.0	92.9	91.7	94.5	91.6	96.0	96.5	171
Cumberland County	93.0	93.0	95.7	95.7	96.6	96.0	96.7	95.2	2729
Fayetteville City	93.0	93.0	93.1	94.1	92.1	94.3	97.2 г	nerged wi	th Cumberland
Harnett County	90.0	91.0	88.7	90.0	90.1	92.0	93.8	92.2	731
Hoke County	85.0	88.0	78.9	90.4	92.2	89.9	93.4	93.6	295
Lee County	92.0	89.0	93.4	92.0	92.2	96.1	95.3	95.0	498
Montgomery Count	y 87.0	94.0	88.0	88.9	88.8	93.6	93.5	91.4	278
Moore County	\$3.0	94.0	93.2	95.7	92.9	92.4	95.5	93.0	646
Richmond County	90.0	88.0	89.2	89.0	88.9	87.5	93.4	90.2	461
Robeson County	77.0	82.0	82.0	80.1	85.9	84.4	92.5	89.7	728
Fairmont City	81.0	80.0	69.8	90.3	90.5	87.4	91.1	88.1	143
Lumberton City	90.0	93.0	97.8	93.0	98.0	96.7	95.9	92.3	260
Maxten City	80.0	merg	ged with R		untv		, , , ,	, 2.5	200
Red Springs City	85.0	92.0	87.4	88.9	93.0	93.1	86.2	86.9	99
Sa' ' City	86.0	85.0	87.7	90.0	90.0	90.3	89.2	90.6	106
City									
See land tounty	81.0	94.0 FIRST-TIN	92.1 ————— ME JUNI	87.2 ORS PAS	89.8 ————— SING MA	88.7 ———————————————————————————————————	93.3 	91.0	401 Number
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Pl SCHOOL SYSTEM Bladen County Columbus County	81.0 ERCENTAGE OF M 1978 73.0 71.0	FIRST-TIN 1979 83.0 34.0	ME JUNI 1980 89.1 83.8	ORS PAS 1981 82.5 88.6	SING MA 1982 85.2 85.0	1983	TICS 1984	1985	Number Tested 1985
Pl SCHOOL SYSTEM Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City	81.0 ERCENTAGE OF M 1978 73.0 71.0 93.0	FIRST-TIN 1979 83.0 34.0 88.0	ME JUNI 1980 89.1 83.8 92.9	ORS PAS 1981 82.5 88.6 90.7	SING MA 1982 85.2 85.0 92.8	1983 84.4 84.6 88.5	1984 92.2 87.5 94.8	1985	Number Tested 1985
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Pl SCHOOL SYSTEM Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City Cumberland County Fayer points Cuty	81.0 ERCENTAGE OF M 1978 73.0 71.0 93.0 83.0 87.0	1979 83.0 34.0 88.0 90.0	ME JUNI 1980 89.1 83.8 92.9 94.3	ORS PAS 1981 82.5 88.6 90.7 95.0	SING MA 1982 85.2 85.0 92.8	1983 84.4 84.6 88.5	92.2 87.5 94.8 95.7	1985 82.8 84.9 93.0 93.0	Number Tested 1985 396 551 171 2731
Pl SCHOOL SYSTEM Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City Cumberland County Fayer points City Harnett County	81.0 ERCENTAGE OF 73.0 71.0 93.0 88.0 \$7.0 87.0	1979 83.0 94.0 88.0 90.0	ME JUNI 1980 89.1 83.8 92.9 94.3 91.3 88.0	0RS PAS 1981 82.5 88.6 90.7 95.0	SING MA 1982 85.2 85.0 92.8 95.1	1983 84.4 84.6 88.5 95.4	92.2 87.5 94.8 95.7	1985 82.8 84.9 93.0 93.0	Number Tested 1985 396 551 171 2731 h Cumberland
Pl SCHOOL SYSTEM Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City Cumberland County Fayer points Fayer points Harnett County Hoke County	81.0 ERCENTAGE OF 73.0 71.0 93.0 88.0 \$7.0 87.0 83.0	1979 83.0 34.0 88.0 90.0 91.0 88.0 87.0	89.1 83.8 92.9 94.3 91.3 88.0 79.8	ORS PAS 1981 82.5 88.6 90.7 95.0	SING MA 1982 85.2 85.0 92.8 95.1	1983 84.4 84.6 88.5 95.4	92.2 87.5 94.8 95.7 93.4 m	1985 82.8 84.9 93.0 93.0	Number Tested 1985 396 551 171 2731 h Cumberland 728
Pl SCHOOL SYSTEM Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City Cumberland County Fayer points City Harnett County	81.0 ERCENTAGE OF 73.0 71.0 93.0 88.0 \$7.0 87.0	1979 83.0 94.0 88.0 90.0	ME JUNI 1980 89.1 83.8 92.9 94.3 91.3 88.0	0RS PAS 1981 82.5 88.6 90.7 95.0	SING MA 1982 85.2 85.0 92.8 95.1 85.1 88.4	1983 84.4 84.6 88.5 95.4 88.6 91.0	1984 92.2 87.5 94.8 95.7	1985 82.8 84.9 93.0 93.0	Number Tested 1985 396 551 171 2731 h Cumberland
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Sc. Land County Pl SCHOOL SYSTEM Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City Cumberland County Fayet ville City Harnett County Hoke County Lee County Montgomery County Moore County Richmond County	81.0 ERCENTAGE OF 73.0 71.0 93.0 88.0 87.0 87.0 83.0 88.0 83.0	1979 83.0 34.0 88.0 90.0 91.0 88.0 87.0 90.0	89.1 83.8 92.9 94.3 91.3 88.0 79.8 92.6	92.3 89.8 84.8 90.7 95.0	SING MA 1982 85.2 85.0 92.8 95.1 85.1 88.4 86.6 90.9 82.8 89.6	1983 84.4 84.6 88.5 95.4 88.6 91.0 88.4 93.1	92.2 87.5 94.8 95.7 93.4 m 92.7 89.3 93.9	1985 32.8 84.9 93.0 93.0 nerged wit 90.5 88.1 88.8	Number Tested 1985 396 551 171 2731 h Cumberland 728 295 498 278 645
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Sc. Land County Pl SCHOOL SYSTEM Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City Cumberland County Fayet vitic Cuy Harnett County Hoke County Lee County Lee County Moore County Richmond County Robeson County Fairmont City	81.0 ERCENTAGE OF M 1978 73.0 71.0 93.0 88.0 87.0 87.0 83.0 88.0 88.0 84.0 69.0 75.0	### ### ### ### #### #################	89.1 83.8 92.9 94.3 91.3 88.0 79.8 92.6 85.2 91.1 84.1	92.3 89.8 84.8 90.7 95.0 92.3 89.8 84.8 90.9 87.3 91.7 86.1 73.4	SING MA 1982 85.2 85.0 92.8 95.1 85.1 88.4 86.6 90.9 82.8 89.6 86.6 82.9	1983 84.4 84.6 88.5 95.4 88.6 91.0 88.4 93.1 86.1 86.2 83.3 78.2	92.2 87.5 94.8 95.7 93.4 92.7 89.3 93.9 92.3 93.4 91.4 91.5	1985 32.8 84.9 93.0 93.0 nerged wit 90.5 88.1 88.8 89.9 89.9 89.1 88.9	Number Tested 1985 396 551 171 2731 h Cumberland 728 295 498 278 645 460 727
Sc. Land County Pl SCHOOL SYSTEM Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City Cumberland County Fayet ville City Harnett County Hoke County Lee County Montgomery County Moore County Richmond County Robeson County	81.0 ERCENTAGE OF M 1978 73.0 71.0 93.0 88.0 87.0 87.0 83.0 88.0 84.0 69.0	83.0 34.0 88.0 90.0 91.0 88.0 90.0 90.0 90.0 90.0 90.0 84.0 75.0	ME JUNI 1980 89.1 83.8 92.9 94.3 91.3 88.0 79.8 92.6 85.2 91.1 84.1 75.6	92.3 89.8 84.8 90.7 95.0 92.3 89.8 84.8 90.9 87.3 91.7 86.1 73.4	SING MA 1982 85.2 85.0 92.8 95.1 85.1 86.6 90.9 82.8 89.6 86.6 82.9	1983 84.4 84.6 88.5 95.4 88.6 91.0 88.4 93.1 86.1 86.2 83.3 78.2	92.2 87.5 94.8 95.7 93.4 92.7 89.3 93.9 92.3 93.4 91.4 91.5	1985 32.8 84.9 93.0 93.0 nerged wit 90.5 88.1 88.8 89.9 89.9 89.1 88.9	Number Tested 1985 396 551 171 2731 h Cumberland 728 295 498 278 645 460 727
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SOUTH CENTRAL REGION

	PERCENTAGE	OF FIRST-TIME	SOPHOMORES PASSING R	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
SCHOOL SYSTI	EM 198	1987	1988	Tested 1988
Bladen County	88.3	89.6	90.4	456
Columbus County	90.0	92.5	88.0	582
Whiteville City	97.7	98.1	94.2	189
Cumberland Count		95.5	94.4	3154
Fayetteville City				
Harnett County	93.2	92.8	89.3	792
Hoke County	91.8	94.1	89.1	320
Lee County	93.5	96.3	94.5	508
Montgomery Coun	ty 91.4	93.6	91.0	278
Moore County	93.3	93.0	90.6	588
Richmond County	92.8	93.6	92.3	571
Robeson County	86.0	87.3	86.5	976
Fairmont City	89.2	94.8	89.2	139
Lumberton City Maxton City	96.0	92.0	91.5	307
Red Springs City	95.6	93.6	92.9	127
Saint Pauls City	92.1	91.4	90.0	100
Saint Pauls City Scotland County	92.1 92.6	91.4 93.3	90.0 91.0	100 522
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Saint Pauls City Scotland County PERC SCHOOL SYSTE Bladen County Columbus County	92.6 ENTAGE OF FIR M 1986	93.3 ST-TIME SOPHO	91.0 DMORES PASSING MATHEN 1988	1ATICS Number Tested 1988 454
Saint Pauls City Scotland County PERC SCHOOL SYSTE Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City	92.6 ENTAGE OF FIR M 1986 85.7 88.2 94.9	93.3 ST-TIME SOPHO 1987 84.6	91.0 DMORES PASSING MATHEN 1988 79.3	522 IATICS Number Tested 1988 454 579
Saint Pauls City Scotland County PERC SCHOOL SYSTE Bladen County Columbus County	92.6 ENTAGE OF FIR M 1986 85.7 88.2 94.9	93.3 ST-TIME SOPHO 1987 84.6 89.0	91.0 DMORES PASSING <u>MATHEN</u> 1988 79.3 85.1	1ATICS Number Tested 1988 454
Saint Pauls City Scotland County PERC SCHOOL SYSTE Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City Cumberland County Fayetteville City	92.6 ENTAGE OF FIR M 1986 85.7 88.2 94.9	93.3 ST-TIME SOPHO 1987 84.6 89.0 97.1	91.0 DMORES PASSING MATHEN 1988 79.3 85.1 94.2	1ATICS Number Tested 1988 454 579 189
Saint Pauls City Scotland County PERC SCHOOL SYSTE Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City Cumberland County Fayetteville City Harnett County	92.6 ENTAGE OF FIR M 1986 85.7 88.2 94.9	93.3 ST-TIME SOPHO 1987 84.6 89.0 97.1	91.0 DMORES PASSING MATHEN 1988 79.3 85.1 94.2	522 MATICS Number Tested 1988 4:4 579 189 3154
Saint Pauls City Scotland County PERC SCHOOL SYSTE Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City Cumberland County Fayetteville City Harnett County Hoke County	92.6 ENTAGE OF FIR M 1986 85.7 88.2 94.9 94.9	93.3 ST-TIME SOPHO 1987 84.6 89.0 97.1 92.5	91.0 DMORES PASSING MATHEM 1988 79.3 85.1 94.2 90.3	522 Matics Number Tested 1988 4:4 579 189 3154
Saint Pauls City Scotland County PERC SCHOOL SYSTE Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City Cumberland County Fayetteville City Harnett County	92.6 ENTAGE OF FIR M 1986 85.7 88.2 94.9 94.9	93.3 ST-TIME SOPHO 1987 84.6 89.0 97.1 92.5	91.0 DMORES PASSING MATHEN 1988 79.3 85.1 94.2 90.3	522 MATICS Number Tested 1988 4:4 579 189 3154
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Saint Pauls City Scotland County PERC SCHOOL SYSTE Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City Cumberland County Fayetteville City Harnett County Hoke County Lee County Montgomery County Moore County	92.6 ENTAGE OF FIR M 1986 85.7 88.2 94.9 94.9 94.9 92.2 90.3 93.4 y 90.5 92.3	93.3 ST-TIME SOPHO 1987 84.6 89.0 97.1 92.5 89.5 88.2 93.9	91.0 DMORES PASSING MATHEN 1988 79.3 85.1 94.2 90.3 83.9 81.2 91.6	522 MATICS Number Tested 1988 4.4 579 189 3154 790 325 510
Saint Pauls City Scotland County PERC SCHOOL SYSTE Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City Cumberland County Fayetteville City Harnett County Hoke County Lee County Montgomery County Moore County Richmond County	92.6 ENTAGE OF FIR M 1986 85.7 88.2 94.9 94.9 92.2 90.3 93.4 9 90.5 92.3 90.9	93.3 ST-TIME SOPHO 1987 84.6 89.0 97.1 92.5 89.5 88.2 93.9 90.4 88.5 91.4	91.0 DMORES PASSING MATHEN 1988 79.3 85.1 94.2 90.3 83.9 81.2 91.6 87.6 85.5 89.4	522 MATICS Number Tested 1988 4:4 579 189 3154 790 325 510 275 587
Saint Pauls City Scotland County PERC SCHOOL SYSTE Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City Cumberland County Fayetteville City Harnett County Hoke County Lee County Montgomery County Moore County	92.6 ENTAGE OF FIR M 1986 85.7 88.2 94.9 94.9 94.9 92.2 90.3 93.4 y 90.5 92.3	93.3 ST-TIME SOPHO 1987 84.6 89.0 97.1 92.5 89.5 88.2 93.9 90.4 88.5	91.0 DMORES PASSING MATHEN 1988 79.3 85.1 94.2 90.3 83.9 81.2 91.6 87.6 85.5	522 MATICS Number Tested 1988 4.4 579 189 3154 790 325 510
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Saint Pauls City Scotland County PERC SCHOOL SYSTE Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City Cumberland County Fayetteville City Harnett County Hoke County Lee County Montgomery County Moore County Richmond County Richmond County Robeson County Fairmont City Lumberton City	92.6 ENTAGE OF FIR M 1986 85.7 88.2 94.9 94.9 94.9 92.2 90.3 93.4 9 90.5 92.3 90.9 87.5	93.3 ST-TIME SOPHO 1987 84.6 89.0 97.1 92.5 89.5 88.2 93.9 90.4 88.5 91.4 86.7	91.0 DMORES PASSING MATHEN 1988 79.3 85.1 94.2 90.3 83.9 81.2 91.6 87.6 85.5 89.4 85.8	522 MATICS Number Tested 1988 4:4 579 189 3154 790 325 510 275 587 575
Saint Pauls City Scotland County PERC SCHOOL SYSTE Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City Cumberland County Fayetteville City Harnett County Hoke County Lee County Montgomery County Moore County Richmond County Robeson County	92.6 ENTAGE OF FIR M 1986 85.7 88.2 94.9 94.9 92.2 90.3 93.4 9 90.5 92.3 90.9 87.5	93.3 ST-TIME SOPHO 1987 84.6 89.0 97.1 92.5 89.5 88.2 93.9 90.4 88.5 91.4 86.7 90.8	91.0 DMORES PASSING MATHEN 1988 79.3 85.1 94.2 90.3 83.9 81.2 91.6 87.6 85.5 89.4 85.8	522 MATICS Number Tested 1988 4:4 579 189 3154 790 325 510 275 587 575 972
Saint Pauls City Scotland County PERC SCHOOL SYSTE Bladen County Columbus County Whiteville City Cumberland County Fayetteville City Harnett County Hoke County Lee County Moore County Richmond County Richmond County Robeson County Fairmont City Lumberton City Maxton City	92.6 ENTAGE OF FIR M 1986 85.7 88.2 94.9 94.9 92.2 90.3 93.4 9 90.5 92.3 90.9 87.5	93.3 ST-TIME SOPHO 1987 84.6 89.0 97.1 92.5 89.5 88.2 93.9 90.4 88.5 91.4 86.7 90.8 91.9	91.0 DMORES PASSING MATHEN 1988 79.3 85.1 94.2 90.3 83.9 81.2 91.6 87.6 85.5 89.4 85.8 88.5 90.0	522 MATICS Number Tested 1988 4:4 579 189 3154 790 325 510 275 587 575 972



NORTH CENTRAL REGION

	CENTAG	E OF FI	RST-TIM	E JUNIO	RS PASS	ING RE	ADING		Number Tested
SCHOOL SYSTEM	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1985
Alamance County	90.0	94.0	92.9	91.1	93.7	92.6	96.2	95.3	785
Burington City	94.0	98.0	96.5	96.0	97.5	95.2	97.8	96.7	508
Caswell County	84.0	85.0	90.5	88.7	89.8	94.4	92.8	93.9	231
Chatham County	95.0	92.0	97.4	94.3	94.6	95.8	97.8	94.0	385
Davidson County	95.0	97.0	96.5	95.4	97.3	95.1	97.2	97.4	1017
Lexington City	90.0	90.0	95.3	92.4	91.8	93.0	93.5	90.8	239
Thomasville City	89.0	89.0	92.1	87.4	89.0	85.3	95.0	89.7	156
Forsyth County	90.0	93.0	93.5	93.2	93.6	93.3	95.4	94.2	2552
Guilford County	93.0	95.0	95.2	94.6	96.0	95.7	97.8	97.2	1743
Greensboro City	89.0	90.0	90.8	88.2	90.0	90.6	94.9	94.6	1516
High Point City	90.0	93.0	94.5	88.4	91.8	90.8	95.7	92.5	570
Orange County	90.0	87.0	94.9	93.1	93.5	94.6	94.1	94.2	359
Chapel Hill City	90.0	92.0	96.6	96.5	97.1	97.9	99.0	97.3	442
Person County	92.0	91.0	94.8	93.4	92.4	95.3	97.1	95.2	395
Randolph County	96.0	96.0	97.9	96.8	97.9	97.0	98.3	97.5	816
Asheboro City	95.0	98.0	96.5	98.4	97.4	95.2	97.0	98.0	255
Rockingham County	89.0	96.0	93.8	92.4	87.1	90.4	95.4	94.1	238
Eden City	94.0	94.0	94.1	96.6	91.6	93.6	96.2	92.8	307
Madison-Mayodan City	87.0	90.0	90.2	89.2	92.6	94.7			
Western Rockingham							95.2	91.5	282
Reidsville City	85.0	86.0	89.5	85.6	93.4	96.0	96.3	91.3	264
Stokes County	91.0	92.0	94.1	94.7	95.8	95.2	96.5	94.4	448
PERCI	ENTAGE	of firs	r-time j	UNIORS	PASSING	MATH	EMATIC	<u>S</u>	Number
									Tested
SCHOOL SYSTEM	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	Tested 1985
SCHOOL SYSTEM Alamance County	1978 84.0	1979 91.0	1980 88.4	1981 86.5	1982 39.8	1983 90.2	1984 95.1	1985 94.0	Tested 1985 785
SCHOOL SYSTEM Alamance County Burlington City	1978 84.0 93.0	1979 91.0 97.0	1980 88.4 95.1	1981 86.5 93.3	1982 39.8 96.7	1983 90.2 93.5	1984 95.1 98.3	1985 94.0 93.9	Tested 1985 785 506
SCHOOL SYSTEM Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County	1978 84.0 93.0 74.0	1979 91.0 97.0 81.0	1980 88.4 95.1 80.9	1981 86.5 93.3 80.8	1982 39.8 96.7 80.6	1983 90.2 93.5 79.1	1984 95.1 98.3 90.9	1985 94.0 93.9 90.0	Tested 1985 785 506 231
SCHOOL SYSTEM Alamance County Burlington City	1978 84.0 93.0	1979 91.0 97.0	1980 88.4 95.1	1981 86.5 93.3	1982 39.8 96.7	1983 90.2 93.5	1984 95.1 98.3	1985 94.0 93.9	Tested 1985 785 506
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Davidson County	1978 84.0 93.0 74.0 89.0	91.0 97.0 81.0 88.0	1980 88.4 95.1 80.9 93.7	1981 86.5 93.3 80.8 92.7	1982 39.8 96.7 80.6 90.9	1983 90.2 93.5 79.1 92.5	1984 95.1 98.3 90.9 96.3	1985 94.0 93.9 90.0 88.8	Tested 1985 785 506 231 385
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Davidson County Lexington City	1978 84.0 93.0 74.0 89.0 92.0 84.0	91.0 97.0 81.0 88.0 95.0 81.0	1980 88.4 95.1 80.9 93.7 94.9 86.3	1981 86.5 93.3 80.8 92.7 92.7 87.1	1982 39.8 96.7 80.6 90.9 95.0 89.6	1983 90.2 93.5 79.1 92.5 91.7 89.9	1984 95.1 98.3 90.9 96.3 94.0 90.0	1985 94.0 93.9 90.0 88.8 92.7 86.2	Tested 1985 785 506 231 385
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Davidson County Lexington City Thomasville City	1978 84.0 93.0 74.0 89.0 92.0 84.0 88.0	91.0 97.0 81.0 88.0 95.0 81.0 89.0	1980 88.4 95.1 80.9 93.7 94.9 86.3 92.1	1981 86.5 93.3 80.8 92.7 92.7 87.1 89.3	1982 39.8 96.7 80.6 90.9 95.0 89.6 87.4	1983 90.2 93.5 79.1 92.5 91.7 89.9 84.0	95.1 98.3 90.9 96.3 94.0 90.0 89.9	94.0 93.9 90.0 88.8 92.7 86.2 89.1	Tested 1985 785 506 231 385 1015 239 156
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Davidson County Lexington City	1978 84.0 93.0 74.0 89.0 92.0 84.0	91.0 97.0 81.0 88.0 95.0 81.0	1980 88.4 95.1 80.9 93.7 94.9 86.3	1981 86.5 93.3 80.8 92.7 92.7 87.1	1982 39.8 96.7 80.6 90.9 95.0 89.6	1983 90.2 93.5 79.1 92.5 91.7 89.9	1984 95.1 98.3 90.9 96.3 94.0 90.0	1985 94.0 93.9 90.0 88.8 92.7 86.2	Tested 1985 785 506 231 385
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Davidson County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Cuilford County	1978 84.0 93.0 74.0 89.0 92.0 84.0 88.0 84.0	91.0 97.0 81.0 88.0 95.0 81.0 89.0 89.0	1980 88.4 95.1 80.9 93.7 94.9 86.3 92.1 90.7	1981 86.5 93.3 80.8 92.7 92.7 87.1 89.3 91.7	1982 39.8 96.7 80.6 90.9 95.0 89.6 87.4 91.0	1983 90.2 93.5 79.1 92.5 91.7 89.9 84.0 90.4	95.1 98.3 90.9 96.3 94.0 90.0 89.9 93.2	94.0 93.9 90.0 88.8 92.7 86.2 89.1 92.3	Tested 1985 785 506 231 385 1015 239 156 2559
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Cuilford County Greensboro City	1978 84.0 93.0 74.0 89.0 92.0 84.0 84.0 92.0 84.0	91.0 97.0 81.0 88.0 95.0 81.0 89.0 89.0	1980 88.4 95.1 80.9 93.7 94.9 86.3 92.1 90.7	1981 86.5 93.3 80.8 92.7 92.7 87.1 89.3 91.7	1982 39.8 96.7 80.6 90.9 95.0 89.6 87.4 91.0 93.5 85.9	1983 90.2 93.5 79.1 92.5 91.7 89.9 84.0 90.4	95.1 98.3 90.9 96.3 94.0 90.0 89.9 93.2	94.0 93.9 90.0 88.8 92.7 86.2 89.1 92.3	Tested 1985 785 506 231 385 1015 239 156 2559
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Cuilford County Greensboro City High Point City	1978 84.0 93.0 74.0 89.0 92.0 84.0 84.0 92.0 84.0 83.0	91.0 97.0 81.0 88.0 95.0 81.0 89.0 89.0 84.0 88.0	1980 88.4 95.1 80.9 93.7 94.9 86.3 92.1 90.7 92.3 85.4 87.8	1981 86.5 93.3 80.8 92.7 92.7 87.1 89.3 91.7 92.6 82.9 84.1	1982 39.8 96.7 80.6 90.9 95.0 89.6 87.4 91.0 93.5 85.9 87.1	90.2 93.5 79.1 92.5 91.7 89.9 84.0 90.4 93.9 87.4 87.2	95.1 98.3 90.9 96.3 94.0 90.0 89.9 93.2 96.8 94.4 93.6	94.0 93.9 90.0 88.8 92.7 86.2 89.1 92.3 94.3 92.5 89.8	Tested 1985 785 506 231 385 1015 239 156 2559
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Cuilford County Greensboro City	1978 84.0 93.0 74.0 89.0 92.0 84.0 84.0 92.0 84.0	91.0 97.0 81.0 88.0 95.0 81.0 89.0 89.0	1980 88.4 95.1 80.9 93.7 94.9 86.3 92.1 90.7	1981 86.5 93.3 80.8 92.7 92.7 87.1 89.3 91.7	1982 39.8 96.7 80.6 90.9 95.0 89.6 87.4 91.0 93.5 85.9	1983 90.2 93.5 79.1 92.5 91.7 89.9 84.0 90.4	95.1 98.3 90.9 96.3 94.0 90.0 89.9 93.2	94.0 93.9 90.0 88.8 92.7 86.2 89.1 92.3	Tested 1985 785 506 231 385 1015 239 156 2559
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Cuilford County Greensboro City High Point City Orange County Chapel Hill City	1978 84.0 93.0 74.0 89.0 92.0 84.0 84.0 84.0 83.0 82.0	91.0 97.0 81.0 88.0 95.0 81.0 89.0 89.0 89.0 84.0 88.0 78.0	1980 88.4 95.1 80.9 93.7 94.9 86.3 92.1 90.7 92.3 85.4 87.8 88.4	1981 86.5 93.3 80.8 92.7 92.7 87.1 89.3 91.7 92.6 82.9 84.1 83.4	1982 39.8 96.7 80.6 90.9 95.0 89.6 87.4 91.0 93.5 85.9 87.1 89.4	90.2 93.5 79.1 92.5 91.7 89.9 84.0 90.4 93.9 87.4 87.2 94.0	95.1 98.3 90.9 96.3 94.0 90.0 89.9 93.2 96.8 94.4 93.6 89.8	94.0 93.9 90.0 88.8 92.7 86.2 89.1 92.3 94.3 92.5 89.8 86.0	Tested 1985 785 506 231 385 1015 239 156 2559 1744 1514 569 357
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Cuilford County Greensboro City High Point City Orange County Chapel Hill City Person County	1978 84.0 93.0 74.0 89.0 92.0 84.0 84.0 84.0 83.0 82.0	91.0 97.0 81.0 88.0 95.0 81.0 89.0 89.0 84.0 88.0 78.0	1980 88.4 95.1 80.9 93.7 94.9 86.3 92.1 90.7 92.3 85.4 87.8 88.4	1981 86.5 93.3 80.8 92.7 92.7 87.1 89.3 91.7 92.6 82.9 84.1 83.4	1982 39.8 96.7 80.6 90.9 95.0 89.6 87.4 91.0 93.5 85.9 87.1 89.4	90.2 93.5 79.1 92.5 91.7 89.9 84.0 90.4 93.9 87.4 87.2 94.0	95.1 98.3 90.9 96.3 94.0 90.0 89.9 93.2 96.8 94.4 93.6 89.8	94.0 93.9 90.0 88.8 92.7 86.2 89.1 92.3 94.3 92.5 89.8 86.0 97.3 95.4	Tested 1985 785 506 231 385 1015 239 156 2559 1744 1514 569 357
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Cuilford County Greensboro City High Point City Orange County Chapel Hill City Person County Randolph County	1978 84.0 93.0 74.0 89.0 92.0 84.0 84.0 83.0 82.0 85.0 88.0 94.0	91.0 97.0 81.0 88.0 95.0 81.0 89.0 89.0 84.0 88.0 78.0 87.0 93.0	1980 88.4 95.1 80.9 93.7 94.9 86.3 92.1 90.7 92.3 85.4 87.8 88.4 94.2 90.7 95.4	1981 86.5 93.3 80.8 92.7 92.7 87.1 89.3 91.7 92.6 82.9 84.1 83.4 94.0 90.5 95.3	1982 39.8 96.7 80.6 90.9 95.0 89.6 87.4 91.0 93.5 85.9 87.1 89.4 97.7 89.8 96.0	90.2 93.5 79.1 92.5 91.7 89.9 84.0 90.4 93.9 87.4 87.2 94.0	95.1 98.3 90.9 96.3 94.0 90.0 89.9 93.2 96.8 94.4 93.6 89.8	94.0 93.9 90.0 88.8 92.7 86.2 89.1 92.3 94.3 92.5 89.8 86.0 97.3 95.4 94.5	Tested 1985 785 506 231 385 1015 239 156 2559 1744 1514 569 357
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Cuilford County Greensboro City High Point City Orange County Chapel Hill City Person County	1978 84.0 93.0 74.0 89.0 92.0 84.0 84.0 84.0 83.0 82.0	91.0 97.0 81.0 88.0 95.0 81.0 89.0 89.0 84.0 88.0 78.0	1980 88.4 95.1 80.9 93.7 94.9 86.3 92.1 90.7 92.3 85.4 87.8 88.4	1981 86.5 93.3 80.8 92.7 92.7 87.1 89.3 91.7 92.6 82.9 84.1 83.4	1982 39.8 96.7 80.6 90.9 95.0 89.6 87.4 91.0 93.5 85.9 87.1 89.4	90.2 93.5 79.1 92.5 91.7 89.9 84.0 90.4 93.9 87.4 87.2 94.0	95.1 98.3 90.9 96.3 94.0 90.0 89.9 93.2 96.8 94.4 93.6 89.8	94.0 93.9 90.0 88.8 92.7 86.2 89.1 92.3 94.3 92.5 89.8 86.0 97.3 95.4	Tested 1985 785 506 231 385 1015 239 156 2559 1744 1514 569 357
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Cuilford County Greensboro City High Point City Orange County Chapel Hill City Person County Randolph County Randolph County Rockingham County	1978 84.0 93.0 74.0 89.0 92.0 84.0 88.0 84.0 92.0 84.0 83.0 82.0 85.0 88.0 94.0 92.0	91.0 97.0 81.0 88.0 95.0 81.0 89.0 89.0 89.0 87.0 93.0 93.0 93.0 93.0	1980 88.4 95.1 80.9 93.7 94.9 86.3 92.1 90.7 92.3 85.4 87.8 88.4 94.2 90.7 95.4 93.9	1981 86.5 93.3 80.8 92.7 92.7 87.1 89.3 91.7 92.6 82.9 84.1 83.4 94.0 90.5 95.3 95.3 95.3	1982 39.8 96.7 80.6 90.9 95.0 89.6 87.4 91.0 93.5 85.9 87.1 89.4 97.7 89.8 96.0 94.9	90.2 93.5 79.1 92.5 91.7 89.9 84.0 90.4 93.9 87.4 87.2 94.0 97.4 91.9 92.6 92.3	95.1 98.3 90.9 96.3 94.0 90.0 89.9 93.2 96.8 94.4 93.6 89.8 97.5 94.8 96.6 97.5	94.0 93.9 90.0 88.8 92.7 86.2 89.1 92.3 94.3 92.5 89.8 86.0 97.3 95.4 94.5 97.3	Tested 1985 785 506 231 385 1015 239 156 2559 1744 1514 569 357 444 394 815 255
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Cuilford County Greensboro City High Point City Orange County Chapel Hill City Person County Randolph County Randolph County Rockingham County Eden City	1978 84.0 93.0 74.0 89.0 92.0 84.0 88.0 84.0 92.0 84.0 83.0 82.0 85.0 88.0 94.0 92.0 87.0	91.0 97.0 81.0 88.0 95.0 81.0 89.0 89.0 89.0 87.0 93.0 93.0 93.0 93.0	1980 88.4 95.1 80.9 93.7 94.9 86.3 92.1 90.7 92.3 85.4 87.8 88.4 94.2 90.7 95.4 93.9	1981 86.5 93.3 80.8 92.7 92.7 87.1 89.3 91.7 92.6 82.9 84.1 83.4 94.0 90.5 95.3 95.3 95.3	1982 39.8 96.7 80.6 90.9 95.0 89.6 87.4 91.0 93.5 85.9 87.1 89.4 97.7 89.8 96.0 94.9 88.2 90.7	90.2 93.5 79.1 92.5 91.7 89.9 84.0 90.4 93.9 87.4 87.2 94.0 97.4 91.9 92.6 92.3 87.7 88.2	1984 95.1 98.3 90.9 96.3 94.0 90.0 89.9 93.2 96.8 94.4 93.6 89.8 97.5 94.8 96.6 97.5	94.0 93.9 90.0 88.8 92.7 86.2 89.1 92.3 94.3 92.5 89.8 86.0 97.3 95.4 94.5 97.3	Tested 1985 785 506 231 385 1015 239 156 2559 1744 1514 569 357 444 394 815 255
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Cuilford County Greensboro City High Point City Orange County Chapel Hill City Person County Randolph County Randolph County Rockingham County Eden City Madison-Mayodan City	1978 84.0 93.0 74.0 89.0 92.0 84.0 88.0 84.0 92.0 84.0 83.0 82.0 85.0 88.0 94.0 92.0	91.0 97.0 81.0 88.0 95.0 81.0 89.0 89.0 89.0 87.0 93.0 93.0 93.0 93.0	1980 88.4 95.1 80.9 93.7 94.9 86.3 92.1 90.7 92.3 85.4 87.8 88.4 94.2 90.7 95.4 93.9	1981 86.5 93.3 80.8 92.7 92.7 87.1 89.3 91.7 92.6 82.9 84.1 83.4 94.0 90.5 95.3 95.3 95.3	1982 39.8 96.7 80.6 90.9 95.0 89.6 87.4 91.0 93.5 85.9 87.1 89.4 97.7 89.8 96.0 94.9	90.2 93.5 79.1 92.5 91.7 89.9 84.0 90.4 93.9 87.4 87.2 94.0 97.4 91.9 92.6 92.3	95.1 98.3 90.9 96.3 94.0 90.0 89.9 93.2 96.8 94.4 93.6 89.8 97.5 94.8 96.6 97.5	94.0 93.9 90.0 88.8 92.7 86.2 89.1 92.3 94.3 92.5 89.8 86.0 97.3 95.4 94.5 97.3	Tested 1985 785 506 231 385 1015 239 156 2559 1744 1514 569 357 444 394 815 255
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Cuilford County Greensboro City High Point City Orange County Chapel Hill City Person County Randolph County Randolph County Rockingham County Eden City Madison-Mayodan City Western Rockingham :	1978 84.0 93.0 74.0 89.0 92.0 84.0 88.0 84.0 92.0 84.0 83.0 82.0 85.0 88.0 94.0 92.0 87.0	91.0 97.0 81.0 88.0 95.0 81.0 89.0 89.0 89.0 87.0 93.0 93.0 93.0 93.0	1980 88.4 95.1 80.9 93.7 94.9 86.3 92.1 90.7 92.3 85.4 87.8 88.4 94.2 90.7 95.4 93.9	1981 86.5 93.3 80.8 92.7 92.7 87.1 89.3 91.7 92.6 82.9 84.1 83.4 94.0 90.5 95.3 95.3 95.3	1982 39.8 96.7 80.6 90.9 95.0 89.6 87.4 91.0 93.5 85.9 87.1 89.4 97.7 89.8 96.0 94.9 88.2 90.7	90.2 93.5 79.1 92.5 91.7 89.9 84.0 90.4 93.9 87.4 87.2 94.0 97.4 91.9 92.6 92.3 87.7 88.2	95.1 98.3 90.9 96.3 94.0 90.0 89.9 93.2 96.8 94.4 93.6 89.8 97.5 94.8 96.6 97.5	94.0 93.9 90.0 88.8 92.7 86.2 89.1 92.3 94.3 92.5 89.8 86.0 97.3 95.4 94.5 97.3	Tested 1985 785 506 231 385 1015 239 156 2559 1744 1514 569 357 444 394 815 255
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Cuilford County Greensboro City High Point City Orange County Chapel Hill City Person County Randolph County Randolph County Rockingham County Eden City Madison-Mayodan City	1978 84.0 93.0 74.0 89.0 92.0 84.0 88.0 84.0 92.0 84.0 83.0 82.0 85.0 88.0 94.0 92.0 87.0	91.0 97.0 81.0 88.0 95.0 81.0 89.0 89.0 89.0 87.0 93.0 93.0 93.0 93.0 93.0 93.0 93.0	1980 88.4 95.1 80.9 93.7 94.9 86.3 92.1 90.7 92.3 85.4 87.8 88.4 94.2 90.7 95.4 93.9	1981 86.5 93.3 80.8 92.7 92.7 87.1 89.3 91.7 92.6 82.9 84.1 83.4 94.0 90.5 95.3 95.3 95.3	1982 39.8 96.7 80.6 90.9 95.0 89.6 87.4 91.0 93.5 85.9 87.1 89.4 97.7 89.8 96.0 94.9 88.2 90.7	90.2 93.5 79.1 92.5 91.7 89.9 84.0 90.4 93.9 87.4 87.2 94.0 97.4 91.9 92.6 92.3 87.7 88.2	95.1 98.3 90.9 96.3 94.0 90.0 89.9 93.2 96.8 94.4 93.6 89.8 97.5 94.8 96.6 97.5	94.0 93.9 90.0 88.8 92.7 86.2 89.1 92.3 94.3 92.5 89.8 86.0 97.3 95.4 94.5 97.3	Tested 1985 785 506 231 385 1015 239 156 2559 1744 1514 569 357 444 394 815 255



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SCHOOL SYSTEM	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1985
Anson County	74.0	86.0	89.1	88.6	90.2	90.2	93.5	90.0	309
Cabarrus County	94.0	96.0	96.4	96.5	94.8	96.9	96.3	96.4	824
Concord City	95.0	y2.0	94.7	89.9	90.0		ed with C		
Kannapolis City	91.0	91.0	98.9	99.4	98.5	97.6	99.0	97.1	280
Cleveland County	85.0	87.0	90.5	85.8	89.7	88.9	92.9	94.6	609
Kings Mountain City	91.0	89.0	92.0	86.9	88.4	92.6	93.8	95.0	222
Shelby City	92.0	92.0	91.2	88.8	95.2	87.6	97.3	98.3	230
Gaston County	91.0	94.0	94.3	92.6	94.5	92.3	95.9	94.7	2092
Lincoln County	89.0	95.0	92.3	92.1	92.5	87.3	93.7	93.8	533
Mecklenburg County	38.0	91.0	91.3	92.0	92.1	93.5	95.1	94.1	4415
Rowan County	92.0	94.0	94.5	92.8	93.7	94.0	95.3	94.6	839
Salisbury City	96.0	89.0	92.5	87.1	91.2	89.4	94.3	92.4	172
									
Stanly County	94.0	95.0	93.3	93.6	95.7	92.2	94.8	96.3	431
Albemarle City	89.0	90.0	89.9	82.7	95.3	91.9	96.0	91.7	133
Union County	92.0	96.0	93.2	95.1	94.3	95.6	<i>95.5</i>	96.4	731
Monroe City	90.0	93.0	91.9	92.0	91.1	93.2	96.5	92.0	176
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SCHOOL SYSTEM	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1985
Anson County	69.0	83.0	88.3	90.1	91.7	90.8	95.0	90.3	309
Cabarrus County	89.0	92.0	95.0	93.8	91.2	93.2	95.6	92.8	820
Concord City	93.0	91.0	89.9	86.4	89.6	mer	ged with (Cabarrus	County
Kannapolis City	86.0	82.0	95.7	96.5	95.2	91.6	95.2	90.4	280
Cleveland County	85.0	85.0	87.2	83.9	91.1	89.2	88.9	89.0	609
Kings Mountain City	84.0	86.0	89.2	85.4	90.3	92.3	92.7	91.1	225
Shelby City	88.0	88.0	86.5	86.1	94.1	88.0	94.6	95.7	230
Gaston County	86.0	92.0	90.7	90.0	90.7	89.5	93.4	91.7	2095
Lincoln County	88.0	92.0	91.5	90.3	90.0	86.4	91.2	92.1	534
Mecklenburg County	84.0	90.0	89.4	91.5	92.0	91 8	94.9	93.5	4403
Rowan County	90.0	89.0	92.0	91.1	90.0	90.8	94.9	91.1	4403
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SCHOOL SYST	EM 1986	1987	1988		Tested 1988
Anson County	91.3	92.1	90.6		351
Cabarrus County Concord City	97.1	95.2	95.2		852
Kannapolis City	97.5	95.3	93.1		275
Cleveland County	94.6	91.9	92.3		557
Kings Mountain Ci	ty 94.1	94.9	95.3		254
Shelby City	93.3	95.0	93.9		230
Gaston County	94.3	94.8	93.7		2250
Lincoln County	93.1	91.2	92.0		628
Mecklenburg Count	y 94.2	93.1	92.0		4058
Rowan County	95.3	95.1	93.6		973
Salisbury City	93.3	94.1	86.8		174
Stanly County	94.5	93.9	94.9		489
Albemarle City	92.7	91.9	94.4		144
Union County	97.0	95.4	94.3		809
Monroe City	96.0	93.5	89.5		229

PERCENTAGE OF FIRST-TIME SOPHOMORES PASSING MATHEMATICS

SCHOOL SYSTEM	1986	1987	1988	Number Tested 1988
Anson County	91.3	92.9	90.9	352
Cabarrus County Concord City	94.9	92.2	92.4	850
Kannapolis City	96.1	89.5	88.8	278
Cleveland County	90.9	88.7	90.1	553
Kings Mountain City	94.9	95.3	94.9	256
Shelby City	92.5	92.5	88.3	230
Gaston County	93.1	89.5	88.6	2252
Lincoln County	91.9	86.8	89.0	636
Mecklenburg County	93.9	90.0	88.6	4068
Rowan County	91.3	89.9	87.6	972
Salisbury City	92.0	85.9	82.0	178
Stanly County	94.7	92.4	92.8	488
Albemarle City	86.1	88.2	93.7	144
Union County	94.9	92.7	91.3	809
Monroe City	90.4	87.4	82.2	230



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PERCENTA	AGE OF I	arst-tii	ME JUNI	ORS PAS	SING RE	EADING			Number Tested
SCHOOL SYSTEM	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1>35	1985
Alexander County	94.0	98.0	92.5	93.9	96.8	95.5	95.6	93.7	303
Alleghany County	93.0	94.0	94.3	92.1	87.2	91.1	96.9	93.5	123
Ashe County	91.0	91.0	89.2	91.6	95.7	93.9	95.0	95.6	252
Avery County	90.0	93.0	91.4	92.0	90.6	91.3	92.2	92.7	192
Burke County	93.0	93.0	95.3	95.2	96.6	96.4	96.8	96.4	921
Caldwell County Catawba County	92.0 95.0	95.0	94.4 95.2	92.5 95.7	96.4	94.3	96.4	96.8	710
Hickory City	93.0	96.0 94.0	93.2 94.4	95.7 95.9	95.5 94.4	96.0 91.3	96.4 94.5	96.0 97.2	917 289
						71.3	74.5		
Newton City	92.0	97.0	98.9	94.9	96.2	95.2	96.5	95.6	182
Davie County	94.0	95.0	95.0	94.2	96.1	96.1	96.5	96.8	342
Iredell County	94.0	95.0	94.1	94.8	94.6	94.3	94.4	95.2	647
Mooresville City	94.0	95.0	94.1	87.9	95.6	92.8	93.2	95.9	146
Statesville City	97.0	91.0	92.8	89.7	88.0	95.4	91.5	93.1	231
Surry County	91.0	94.0	95.5	94.6	92.9	94.7	94.7	95.3	549
Elkin City	96.0	98.0	98.8	98.7	95.8	97.4	98.8	100.0	66
Mount Airy City	93.0	93.0 	93.6	95.5	93.1	92.4	96.1	95.2	126
Watauga County	94.0	96.0	97.3	99.3	96.9	98.5	98.3	97.6	332
Wilkes County	94.0	94.0	95.0	95.3	92.6	93.7	96.1	93.8	634
Yadkin County	93.0	94.0	95.0	93.6	95.2	92.9	98.2	97.1	314
PERCENTA	GE OF I	TRST-TI	ME JUNI	ORS PAS	SING M	<u>THEM A</u>	TICS		Number
PERCENTA SCHOOL SYSTEM	AGE OF 1	TRST-TIF	ME JUNI 1980	ORS PAS	SING <u>M</u> /	1983	TICS 1984	1985	Number Tested 1985
								1985 90.8	Tested
SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984		Tested 1985
SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County	1978 91.0	95.0 92.0 93.0	90.7 94.3 90.7	1981 92.4 88.1 91.3	93.6 82.0 94.3	1983 95.5	1984 93.8	90.8 84.6 96.8	Tested 1985 303
SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County	1978 91.0 94.0	1979 96.0 92.0	1980 90.7 94.3	1981 92.4 88.1	1982 93.6 82.0	1983 95.5 83.7	1984 93.8 93.1	90.8 84.6	Tested 1985 303 123
Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County	1978 91.0 94.0 87.0	95.0 92.0 93.0	90.7 94.3 90.7	1981 92.4 88.1 91.3	93.6 82.0 94.3	1983 95.5 83.7 95.0	1984 93.8 93.1 95.4	90.8 84.6 96.8 86.5	Tested 1985 303 123 252
Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County	1978 91.0 94.0 87.0 82.0 88.0 89.0	95.0 92.0 93.0 84.0 90.0 91.0	90.7 94.3 90.7 86.9 92.6 90.0	92.4 88.1 91.3 88.9 93.6 89.1	1982 93.6 82.0 94.3 89.0 94.5 92.6	1983 95.5 83.7 95.0 91.3 94.2 91.7	93.8 93.1 95.4 91.8 95.3 96.0	90.8 84.6 96.8 86.5	Tested 1985 303 123 252 193
Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County	91.0 94.0 87.0 82.0 88.0 89.0 93.0	95.0 92.0 93.0 84.0 90.0 91.0 95.0	90.7 94.3 90.7 86.9 92.6 90.0 93.9	92.4 88.1 91.3 88.9 93.6 89.1 93.8	93.6 82.0 94.3 89.0 94.5 92.6 92.9	1983 95.5 83.7 95.0 91.3 94.2 91.7 93.6	93.8 93.1 95.4 91.8 95.3 96.0 95.2	90.8 84.6 96.8 86.5 92.7 93.7 93.4	Tested 1985 303 123 252 193 922 711 920
Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County	1978 91.0 94.0 87.0 82.0 88.0 89.0	95.0 92.0 93.0 84.0 90.0 91.0	90.7 94.3 90.7 86.9 92.6 90.0	92.4 88.1 91.3 88.9 93.6 89.1	1982 93.6 82.0 94.3 89.0 94.5 92.6	1983 95.5 83.7 95.0 91.3 94.2 91.7	93.8 93.1 95.4 91.8 95.3 96.0	90.8 84.6 96.8 86.5 92.7 93.7	Tested 1985 303 123 252 193 922 711
Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County	91.0 94.0 87.0 82.0 88.0 89.0 93.0	95.0 92.0 93.0 84.0 90.0 91.0 95.0	90.7 94.3 90.7 86.9 92.6 90.0 93.9 92.5	92.4 88.1 91.3 88.9 93.6 89.1 93.8 93.0	93.6 82.0 94.3 89.0 94.5 92.6 92.9 90.9	1983 95.5 83.7 95.0 91.3 94.2 91.7 93.6 88.7	93.8 93.1 95.4 91.8 95.3 96.0 95.2 93.8	90.8 84.6 96.8 86.5 92.7 93.7 93.4 95.5	Tested 1985 303 123 252 193 922 711 920 289
Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City	1978 91.0 94.0 87.0 82.0 88.0 89.0 93.0 91.0	95.0 92.0 93.0 84.0 90.0 91 0 95.0 93.0	90.7 94.3 90.7 86.9 92.6 90.0 93.9	92.4 88.1 91.3 88.9 93.6 89.1 93.8	93.6 82.0 94.3 89.0 94.5 92.6 92.9	1983 95.5 83.7 95.0 91.3 94.2 91.7 93.6	93.8 93.1 95.4 91.8 95.3 96.0 95.2	90.8 84.6 96.8 86.5 92.7 93.7 93.4	Tested 1985 303 123 252 193 922 711 920
Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City	1978 91.0 94.0 87.0 82.0 88.0 89.0 93.0 91.0	95.0 92.0 93.0 84.0 90.0 91.0 95.0 93.0	90.7 94.3 90.7 86.9 92.6 90.0 93.9 92.5	92.4 88.1 91.3 88.9 93.6 89.1 93.8 93.0	93.6 82.0 94.3 89.0 94.5 92.6 92.9 90.9	1983 95.5 83.7 95.0 91.3 94.2 91.7 93.6 88.7	93.8 93.1 95.4 91.8 95.3 96.0 95.2 93.8	90.8 84.6 96.8 86.5 92.7 93.7 93.4 95.5	Tested 1985 303 123 252 193 922 711 920 289
Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County	1978 91.0 94.0 87.0 82.0 88.0 89.0 93.0 91.0	95.0 92.0 93.0 84.0 90.0 91.0 95.0 93.0	90.7 94.3 90.7 86.9 92.6 90.0 93.9 92.5	92.4 88.1 91.3 88.9 93.6 89.1 93.8 93.0	93.6 82.0 94.3 89.0 94.5 92.6 92.9 90.9	1983 95.5 83.7 95.0 91.3 94.2 91.7 93.6 88.7	93.8 93.1 95.4 91.8 95.3 96.0 95.2 93.8	90.8 84.6 96.8 86.5 92.7 93.7 93.4 95.5	Tested 1985 303 123 252 193 922 711 920 289
Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County	1978 91.0 94.0 87.0 82.0 88.0 89.0 93.0 91.0 89.0 92.0	95.0 92.0 93.0 84.0 90.0 91.0 95.0 93.0	90.7 94.3 90.7 86.9 92.6 90.0 93.9 92.5 94.3 92.2 89.6	92.4 88.1 91.3 88.9 93.6 89.1 93.8 93.0 93.1 92.1 89.2	93.6 82.0 94.3 89.0 94.5 92.6 92.9 90.9 94.6 92.4 89.7	1983 95.5 83.7 95.0 91.3 94.2 91.7 93.6 88.7	93.8 93.1 95.4 91.8 95.3 96.0 95.2 93.8 94.9 96.2 91.0	90.8 84.6 96.8 86.5 92.7 93.7 93.4 95.5	Tested 1985 303 123 252 193 922 711 920 289 181 341 647
Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County Mooresville City Statesville City Surry County	1978 91.0 94.0 87.0 82.0 88.0 89.0 93.0 91.0 89.0 92.0 92.0 92.0 92.0 86.0	95.0 92.0 93.0 84.0 90.0 91.0 95.0 93.0 94.0 89.0 91.0 92.0	90.7 94.3 90.7 86.9 92.6 90.0 93.9 92.5 94.3 92.2 89.6 91.8	92.4 88.1 91.3 88.9 93.6 89.1 93.8 93.0 93.1 92.1 89.2 84.1	93.6 82.0 94.3 89.0 94.5 92.6 92.9 90.9 94.6 92.4 89.7 94.4	1983 95.5 83.7 95.0 91.3 94.2 91.7 93.6 88.7 95.7 92.4 90.5 90.6	93.8 93.1 95.4 91.8 95.3 96.0 95.2 93.8 94.9 96.2 91.0 92.1	90.8 84.6 96.8 86.5 92.7 93.7 93.4 95.5 93.9 94.1 91.3 90.4	Tested 1985 303 123 252 193 922 711 920 289 181 341 647 146
Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County Mooresville City Statesville City Surry County Elkin City	1978 91.0 94.0 87.0 82.0 88.0 89.0 93.0 91.0 89.0 92.0 90.0 92.0 92.0 96.0	96.0 92.0 93.0 84.0 90.0 91.0 95.0 93.0 94.0 89.0 91.0 92.0	90.7 94.3 90.7 86.9 92.6 90.0 93.9 92.5 94.3 92.2 89.6 91.8	92.4 88.1 91.3 88.9 93.6 89.1 93.8 93.0 93.1 92.1 89.2 84.1	93.6 82.0 94.3 89.0 94.5 92.6 92.9 90.9 94.6 92.4 89.7 94.4	1983 95.5 83.7 95.0 91.3 94.2 91.7 93.6 88.7 95.7 92.4 90.5 90.6	93.8 93.1 95.4 91.8 95.3 96.0 95.2 93.8 94.9 96.2 91.0 92.1	90.8 84.6 96.8 86.5 92.7 93.7 93.4 95.5 93.9 94.1 91.3 90.4	Tested 1985 303 123 252 193 922 711 920 289 181 341 647 146
Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County Mooresville City Statesville City Surry County	1978 91.0 94.0 87.0 82.0 88.0 89.0 93.0 91.0 89.0 92.0 92.0 92.0 92.0 86.0	95.0 92.0 93.0 84.0 90.0 91.0 95.0 93.0 94.0 89.0 91.0 92.0	90.7 94.3 90.7 86.9 92.6 90.0 93.9 92.5 94.3 92.2 89.6 91.8	92.4 88.1 91.3 88.9 93.6 89.1 93.8 93.0 93.1 92.1 89.2 84.1	93.6 82.0 94.3 89.0 94.5 92.6 92.9 90.9 94.6 92.4 89.7 94.4	1983 95.5 83.7 95.0 91.3 94.2 91.7 93.6 88.7 95.7 92.4 90.5 90.6	93.8 93.1 95.4 91.8 95.3 96.0 95.2 93.8 94.9 96.2 91.0 92.1 89.3 94.9	90.8 84.6 96.8 86.5 92.7 93.7 93.4 95.5 93.9 94.1 91.3 90.4	Tested 1985 303 123 252 193 922 711 920 289 181 341 647 146
Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County Mooresville City Statesville City Surry County Elkin City Mount Airy City Watauga County	1978 91.0 94.0 87.0 82.0 88.0 89.0 91.0 89.0 92.0 90.0 92.0 96.0 88.0	96.0 92.0 93.0 84.0 90.0 91.0 95.0 93.0 94.0 89.0 91.0 92.0 96.0	90.7 94.3 90.7 86.9 92.6 90.0 93.9 92.5 94.3 92.2 89.6 91.8 91.5 95.3 87.2	92.4 88.1 91.3 88.9 93.6 89.1 93.8 93.0 93.1 92.1 89.2 84.1	93.6 82.0 94.3 89.0 94.5 92.6 92.9 90.9 94.6 92.4 89.7 94.4	1983 95.5 83.7 95.0 91.3 94.2 91.7 93.6 88.7 95.7 92.4 90.5 90.6 91.2 92.1 89.6	93.8 93.1 95.4 91.8 95.3 96.0 95.2 93.8 94.9 96.2 91.0 92.1 89.3 94.9 94.0	90.8 84.6 96.8 86.5 92.7 93.7 93.4 95.5 93.9 94.1 91.3 90.4	Tested 1985 303 123 252 193 922 711 920 289 181 341 647 146
Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County Mooresville City Statesville City Surry County Elkin City Mount Airy City Watauga County Wilkes County	1978 91.0 94.0 87.0 82.0 88.0 89.0 91.0 89.0 92.0 90.0 92.0 96.0 88.0 96.0 88.0	95.0 92.0 93.0 84.0 90.0 91.0 95.0 93.0 94.0 89.0 91.0 92.0 96.0 89.0	90.7 94.3 90.7 86.9 92.6 90.0 93.9 92.5 94.3 92.2 89.6 91.8 91.6 91.5 95.3 87.2	92.4 88.1 91.3 88.9 93.6 89.1 93.8 93.0 93.1 92.1 89.2 84.1 88.2 91.4 93.5 93.5	93.6 82.0 94.3 89.0 94.5 92.6 92.9 90.9 94.6 92.4 89.7 94.4 88.7 87.9 90.3 89.4	1983 95.5 83.7 95.0 91.3 94.2 91.7 93.6 88.7 95.7 92.4 90.5 90.6 91.2 92.1 89.6 86.1	93.8 93.1 95.4 91.8 95.3 96.0 95.2 93.8 94.9 96.2 91.0 92.1 89.3 94.9 94.0 95.3	90.8 84.6 96.8 86.5 92.7 93.7 93.4 95.5 93.9 94.1 91.3 90.4 86.6 92.7 98.5 91.2	Tested 1985 303 123 252 193 922 711 920 289 181 341 647 146 231 548 66 125
Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredoll County Mooresville City Statesville City Surry County Elkin City	1978 91.0 94.0 87.0 82.0 88.0 89.0 93.0 91.0 89.0 92.0 90.0 92.0 92.0 96.0	96.0 92.0 93.0 84.0 90.0 91.0 95.0 93.0 94.0 89.0 91.0 92.0 96.0	90.7 94.3 90.7 86.9 92.6 90.0 93.9 92.5 94.3 92.2 89.6 91.8	92.4 88.1 91.3 88.9 93.6 89.1 93.8 93.0 93.1 92.1 89.2 84.1	93.6 82.0 94.3 89.0 94.5 92.6 92.9 90.9 94.6 92.4 89.7 94.4	1983 95.5 83.7 95.0 91.3 94.2 91.7 93.6 88.7 95.7 92.4 90.5 90.6 91.2 92.1 89.6	93.8 93.1 95.4 91.8 95.3 96.0 95.2 93.8 94.9 96.2 91.0 92.1 89.3 94.9 94.0	90.8 84.6 96.8 86.5 92.7 93.7 93.4 95.5 93.9 94.1 91.3 90.4	Tested 1985 303 123 252 193 922 711 920 289 181 341 647 146
Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County Mooresville City Statesville City Surry County Elkin City Mount Airy City Watauga County	1978 91.0 94.0 87.0 82.0 88.0 89.0 91.0 89.0 92.0 90.0 92.0 96.0 88.0	96.0 92.0 93.0 84.0 90.0 91.0 95.0 93.0 94.0 89.0 91.0 92.0 96.0 89.0	90.7 94.3 90.7 86.9 92.6 90.0 93.9 92.5 94.3 92.2 89.6 91.8 91.5 95.3 87.2	92.4 88.1 91.3 88.9 93.6 89.1 93.8 93.0 93.1 92.1 89.2 84.1 88.2 91.4 93.5 93.5	93.6 82.0 94.3 89.0 94.5 92.6 92.9 90.9 94.6 92.4 89.7 94.4	1983 95.5 83.7 95.0 91.3 94.2 91.7 93.6 88.7 95.7 92.4 90.5 90.6 91.2 92.1 89.6 86.1	93.8 93.1 95.4 91.8 95.3 96.0 95.2 93.8 94.9 96.2 91.0 92.1 89.3 94.9 94.0 95.3	90.8 84.6 96.8 86.5 92.7 93.7 93.4 95.5 93.9 94.1 91.3 90.4 86.6 92.7 98.5 91.2	Tested 198 303 123 252 193 922 711 920 289 181 341 647 146 231 548 66 125



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SCHOOL SYSTEM	PERCENTAGE OF F			READING	Number Tested
SCHOOL SISIES	1 1986	1987	1988		1988
Alexander County	97.0	94.6	95.4		371
Alleghany County	89.4	79.0	90.6		127
Ashe County	94.0	97.1	93.9		280
Avery County	94.0	92.8	93.8		194
Burke County	93.9	94.2	93.2		883
Caldwell County	95.5	96.7	95.5		739
Catawba County	96.1	95.9	95.4		943
Hickory. City	96.4	94.9	93.6		328
Newton City	93.8	96.4	96.2		160
Davie County	96.5	96.2	96.2		339
Iredell County	93.8	94.1	92.8		765
Mooresville City	90.8	96.4	96.0		174
Statesville City	92.6	91.8	91.4		221
Surry County	92.2	95.3	95.4		548
Elkin City	98.9	99.0	93.0		86
Mount Airy City	94.4	98.3	90.7		107
Watauga County	95.9	92.1	96.4		279
	00.0	92.2	93.0		782
Wilkes County	93.8	72.2	22.0		
	93.8	94.7	94.5		361
Wilkes County Yadkin County PE	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIRST	94.7 ST-TIME SOPE	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M	SATHEMATICS	Number Tested
Wilkes County Yadkin County	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIRST	94.7	94.5	SATHEMATICS	Number Tested
Wilkes County Yadkin County PE SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIR: 1986 94.5	94.7 ST-TIME SOPE 1987 93.5	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M 1988 92.5	SATHEMATICS	Number Tested
Wilkes County Yadkin County PE SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIR: 1986 94.5 89.4	94.7 ST-TIME SOPE 1987 93.5 79.0	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M	SATHEMATICS	Number Tested 1988
Wilkes County Yadkin County PE SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIRE 1986 94.5 89.4 95.0	94.7 ST-TIME SOPE 1987 93.5 79.0 96.1	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M 1988 92.5	SATHEMATICS	Number Tested 1988 372 127
Wilkes County Yadkin County PE SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIR: 1986 94.5 89.4	94.7 ST-TIME SOPE 1987 93.5 79.0	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M 1988 92.5 82.7	SATHEMATICS	Number Tested 1988
Wilkes County Yadkin County PE SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIRST 1986 94.5 89.4 95.0 91.8	94.7 ST-TIME SOPE 1987 93.5 79.0 96.1 85.8 92.5	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M 1988 92.5 82.7 94.6	SATHEMATICS	361 Number Tested 1988 372 127 280 195
Wilkes County Yadkin County PE SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIRST 1986 94.5 89.4 95.0 91.8 92.7 94.1	94.7 ST-TIME SOPE 1987 93.5 79.0 96.1 85.8 92.5 93.9	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M 1988 92.5 82.7 94.6 79.0	SATHEMATICS	361 Number Tested 1988 372 127 280 195
Wilkes County Yadkin County PE SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIRST 1986 94.5 89.4 95.0 91.8 92.7 94.1 95.0	94.7 ST-TIME SOPE 1987 93.5 79.0 96.1 85.8 92.5 93.9 93.8	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M 1988 92.5 82.7 94.6 79.0	SATHEMATICS	361 Number Tested 1988 372 127 280 195
Wilkes County Yadkin County PE SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIRST 1986 94.5 89.4 95.0 91.8 92.7 94.1	94.7 ST-TIME SOPE 1987 93.5 79.0 96.1 85.8 92.5 93.9	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M 1988 92.5 82.7 94.6 79.0 91.6 94.6	SATHEMATICS	361 Number Tested 1988 372 127 280 195
Wilkes County Yadkin County Yadkin County PE SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIRST 1986 94.5 89.4 95.0 91.8 92.7 94.1 95.0 93.1	94.7 ST-TIME SOPE 1987 93.5 79.0 96.1 85.8 92.5 93.9 93.8 92.7	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M 1988 92.5 82.7 94.6 79.0 91.6 94.6 94.7	SATHEMATICS	361 Number Tested 1988 . 372 127 280 195 885 740 944 329
Wilkes County Yadkin County Yadkin County PE SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIRE 1986 94.5 89.4 95.0 91.8 92.7 94.1 95.0 93.1	94.7 ST-TIME SOPE 1987 93.5 79.0 96.1 85.8 92.5 93.9 93.8 92.7	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M 1988 92.5 82.7 94.6 79.0 91.6 94.6 94.7 88.8	SATHEMATICS	361 Number Tested 1988 . 372 127 280 195 885 740 944 329
Wilkes County Yadkin County Yadkin County PE SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIRST 1986 94.5 89.4 95.0 91.8 92.7 94.1 95.0 93.1	94.7 ST-TIME SOPE 1987 93.5 79.0 96.1 85.8 92.5 93.9 93.8 92.7	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M 1988 92.5 82.7 94.6 79.0 91.6 94.6 94.7 88.8 93.2 93.5	SATHEMATICS	361 Number Tested 1988 . 372 127 280 195 885 740 944 329
Wilkes County Yadkin County Yadkin County PE SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIRE 1986 94.5 89.4 95.0 91.8 92.7 94.1 95.0 93.1	94.7 ST-TIME SOPE 1987 93.5 79.0 96.1 85.8 92.5 93.9 93.8 92.7 94.5 93.8	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M 1988 92.5 82.7 94.6 79.0 91.6 94.6 94.7 88.8	SATHEMATICS	361 Number Tested 1988 . 372 127 280 195 885 740 944 329
Wilkes County Yadkin County Yadkin County PE SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County Mooresville City Statesville City	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIRE 1986 94.5 89.4 95.0 91.8 92.7 94.1 95.0 93.1 93.3 96.5 89.5 87.7 89.1	94.7 ST-TIME SOPE 1987 93.5 79.0 96.1 85.8 92.5 93.9 93.8 92.7 94.5 93.8 87.8	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M 1988 92.5 82.7 94.6 79.0 91.6 94.6 94.7 88.8 93.2 93.5 86.7	SATHEMATICS	361 Number Tested 1988 372 127 280 195 885 740 944 329 161 338 765 173
Wilkes County Yadkin County Yadkin County PE SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County Mooresville City Statesville City Surry County	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIRST 1986 94.5 89.4 95.0 91.8 92.7 94.1 95.0 93.1 93.3 96.5 89.5 87.7 89.1 91.5	94.7 ST-TIME SOPE 1987 93.5 79.0 96.1 85.8 92.5 93.9 93.8 92.7 94.5 93.8 87.8 92.2	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M 1988 92.5 82.7 94.6 79.0 91.6 94.6 94.7 88.8 93.2 93.5 86.7 93.6	SATHEMATICS	361 Number Tested 1988
Wilkes County Yadkin County Yadkin County PE SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County Mooresville City Statesville City Surry County Elkin City	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIRST 1986 94.5 89.4 95.0 91.8 92.7 94.1 95.0 93.1 93.3 96.5 89.5 87.7 89.1 91.5 97.8	94.7 ST-TIME SOPE 1987 93.5 79.0 96.1 85.8 92.5 93.9 93.8 92.7 94.5 93.8 87.8 92.2 83.4	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M 1988 92.5 82.7 94.6 79.0 91.6 94.6 94.7 88.8 93.2 93.5 86.7 93.6 85.1	SATHEMATICS	361 Number Tested 1988 372 127 280 195 885 740 944 329 161 338 765 173 222 550
Wilkes County Yadkin County Yadkin County PE SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County Mooresville City Statesville City Surry County	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIRST 1986 94.5 89.4 95.0 91.8 92.7 94.1 95.0 93.1 93.3 96.5 89.5 87.7 89.1 91.5	94.7 ST-TIME SOPE 1987 93.5 79.0 96.1 85.8 92.5 93.9 93.8 92.7 94.5 93.8 87.8 92.2 83.4 90.4	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M 1988 92.5 82.7 94.6 79.0 91.6 94.6 94.7 88.8 93.2 93.5 86.7 93.6 85.1 92.4	SATHEMATICS	361 Number Tested 1988
Wilkes County Yadkin County Yadkin County PE SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County Mooresville City Statesville City Surry County Elkin City Mount Airy City Watauga County	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIRST 1986 94.5 89.4 95.0 91.8 92.7 94.1 95.0 93.1 93.3 96.5 89.5 87.7 89.1 91.5 97.8 93.7	94.7 ST-TIME SOPH 1987 93.5 79.0 96.1 85.8 92.5 93.9 93.8 92.7 94.5 93.8 87.8 92.2 83.4 90.4 91.2 96.6	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M 1988 92.5 82.7 94.6 79.0 91.6 94.6 94.7 88.8 93.2 93.5 86.7 93.6 85.1 92.4 94.2	SATHEMATICS	361 Number Tested 1988 372 127 280 195 885 740 944 329 161 338 765 173 222 550 86 107
Wilkes County Yadkin County Yadkin County PE SCHOOL SYSTEM Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County Avery County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County Mooresville City Statesville City Statesville City Statesville City Surry County Elkin City Mount Airy City	93.5 RCENTAGE OF FIRST 1986 94.5 89.4 95.0 91.8 92.7 94.1 95.0 93.1 93.3 96.5 89.5 87.7 89.1 91.5 97.8 93.7	94.7 ST-TIME SOPH 1987 93.5 79.0 96.1 85.8 92.5 93.9 93.8 92.7 94.5 93.8 87.8 92.2 83.4 90.4 91.2 96.6	94.5 IOMORES PASSING M 1988 92.5 82.7 94.6 79.0 91.6 94.6 94.7 88.8 93.2 93.5 86.7 93.6 85.1 92.4 94.2 84.1	SATHEMATICS	361 Number Tested 1988 372 127 280 195 885 740 944 329 161 338 765 173 222 550 86



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PERC	ENTAGE OF	· FIRST-	IIME JU	NIORS P	ASSING	READIN	G ,		Number Tested
SCHOOL SYSTEM	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1985
Buncombe County	95.0	96.0	97.1	96.3	96.4	96.4	97.1	97.2	1385
Asheville City	90.0	93.0	91.5	91.4	94.9	91.8	94.9	90.8	346
Cherokee County	95.0	94.0	92.4	94.3	90.3	92.4	96.6	91.9	258
Clay County	87.0	92.0	91.3	93.8	93.3	86.3	95.4	93.2	73
Graham County	92.0	93.0	99.0	92.4	92.4	86.0	96.3	97.2	71
Haywood County	92.0	96.0	96.3	96.2	96.3	94.3	94.6	92.6	566
Henderson County	97.0	95.0	96.8	94.6	96.9	95.0	97.7	95.8	595
Hendersonville City	95.0	94.0	94.4	91.3	91.5	97.5	95.8	93.2	44
Jackson County	96.0	96.0	94.8	96.3	95.4	97.0	99.2	96.7	303
Macon County	95.0	97.0	95.3	96.7	96.1	95.6	96.5	98.6	219
Madison County	95.0	93.0	96.6	92.7	95.3	90.3	92.7	90.2	184
McDowell County	92.0	95.0	92.9	92.5	93.2	94.7	96.6	95.4	453
Mitchell County	94.0	91.0	97.7	95.0	94.4	91.4	94.8	92.0	187
Polk County	96.0	93.0	91.7	92.7	85.8	95.3	95.8	92.9	84
Tryon City	90.0	100.0	93.8	95.6	98.1	93.8	98.1	98.2	57
Rutherford County	89.0	92.0	92.3	90.3	90.4	88.5	92.1	95.0	674
Swain County	90.0	94.0	97.6	92.6	90.2	89.3	92.1	90.2	102
Transylvania County	95.0	92.0	92.5	94.3	93.4	92.9	96.9	94.0	299
Yancey County	88.0	90.0	89.8	92.5	89.3	91.4	89.9	88.9	189
PERCEN	TAGE OF E	IRST-TIE	ME JUNI	ORS PAS	SING MA	ATHEMA	TICS		Number
	NTAGE OF I								Number Tested
PERCEN SCHOOL SYSTEM	NTAGE OF 1	1979	ME JUNI	ORS PAS	SING <u>M</u> 1982	1983	TICS 1984	1985	
SCHOOL SYSTEM Buncombe County	1978 91.0	1979 92.0	1980 93.7	1981 93.2	1982 93.4	1983 93.6	1984 95.9	92.5	Tested 1985 1380
SCHOOL SYSTEM Buncombe County Asheville City	1978 91.0 82.0	1979 92.0 87.0	1980 93.7 83.0	1981 93.2 83.4	1982 93.4 90.1	1983 93.6 87.8	1984		Tested 1985
SCHOOL SYSTEM Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County	1978 91.0 82.0 93.0	1979 92.0 87.0 90.0	1980 93.7	1981 93.2	1982 93.4	1983 93.6	1984 95.9	92.5	Tested 1985 1380
SCHOOL SYSTEM Buncombe County Asheville City	1978 91.0 82.0	1979 92.0 87.0	1980 93.7 83.0	1981 93.2 83.4	1982 93.4 90.1	1983 93.6 87.8	1984 95.9 89.8	92.5 86.9	Tested 1985 1380 344
SCHOOL SYSTEM Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County	1978 91.0 82.0 93.0	1979 92.0 87.0 90.0	1980 93.7 83.0 88.4	1981 93.2 83.4 93.9	93.4 90.1 90.6 94.7	1983 93.6 87.8 88.9 91.8	1984 95.9 89.8 95.8 94.3	92.5 86.9 87.6 89.0	Tested 1985 1380 344 259 73
SCHOOL SYSTEM Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County	91.0 82.0 93.0 84.0	92.0 87.0 90.0 89.0	93.7 83.0 88.4 88.0	1981 93.2 83.4 93.9 95.0	1982 93.4 90.1 90.6 94.7	1983 93.6 87.8 88.9 91.8	1984 95.9 89.8 95.8 94.3	92.5 86.9 87.6 89.0	Tested 1985 1380 344 259 73
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County	91.0 82.0 93.0 84.0 87.0 89.0	92.0 87.0 90.0 89.0	93.7 83.0 88.4 88.0 98.0 95.4	93.2 83.4 93.9 95.0 87.4 93.6	93.4 90.1 90.6 94.7 86.5 95.8	1983 93.6 87.8 88.9 91.8 84.3 93.3	1984 95.9 89.8 95.8 94.3	92.5 86.9 87.6 89.0 95.8 89.9	Tested 1985 1380 344 259 73 71 565
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County	91.0 82.0 93.0 84.0	1979 92.0 87.0 90.0 89.0	93.7 83.0 88.4 88.0	1981 93.2 83.4 93.9 95.0	1982 93.4 90.1 90.6 94.7	1983 93.6 87.8 88.9 91.8	1984 95.9 89.8 95.8 94.3	92.5 86.9 87.6 89.0	Tested 1985 1380 344 259 73
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Hendersonville City	91.0 82.0 93.0 84.0 87.0 89.0 93.0 94.0	92.0 87.0 90.0 89.0 95.0 94.0 93.0 89.0	93.7 83.0 88.4 88.0 98.0 95.4 92.9 93.2	1981 93.2 83.4 93.9 95.0 87.4 93.6 92.2 90.5	1982 93.4 90.1 90.6 94.7 86.5 95.8 91.1 85.0	1983 93.6 87.8 88.9 91.8 84.3 93.3 91.5 95.9	95.9 89.8 95.8 94.3 98.2 94.6 97.2 94.9	92.5 86.9 87.6 89.0 95.8 89.9 92.6 84.1	Tested 1985 1380 344 259 73 71 565 596 4.3
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Hendersonville City Jackson County	91.0 82.0 93.0 84.0 87.0 89.0 93.0 94.0	92.0 87.0 90.0 89.0 95.0 94.0 93.0 89.0	93.7 83.0 88.4 88.0 98.0 95.4 92.9 93.2	1981 93.2 83.4 93.9 95.0 87.4 93.6 92.2 90.5	1982 93.4 90.1 90.6 94.7 86.5 95.8 91.1 85.0	1983 93.6 87.8 88.9 91.8 84.3 93.3 91.5 95.9	95.9 89.8 95.8 94.3 98.2 94.6 97.2 94.9	92.5 86.9 87.6 89.0 95.8 89.9 92.6 84.1	Tested 1985 1380 344 259 73 71 565 596 4.3
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Hendersonville City Jackson County Macon County	91.0 82.0 93.0 84.0 87.0 89.0 93.0 94.0	92.0 87.0 90.0 89.0 95.0 94.0 93.0 89.0	93.7 83.0 88.4 88.0 98.0 95.4 92.9 93.2	1981 93.2 83.4 93.9 95.0 87.4 93.6 92.2 90.5	93.4 90.1 90.6 94.7 86.5 95.8 91.1 85.0	1983 93.6 87.8 88.9 91.8 84.3 93.3 91.5 95.9	95.9 89.8 95.8 94.3 98.2 94.6 97.2 94.9	92.5 86.9 87.6 89.0 95.8 89.9 92.6 84.1	Tested 1985 1380 344 259 73 71 565 596 4.0 303 217
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Hendersonville City Jackson County	91.0 82.0 93.0 84.0 87.0 89.0 93.0 94.0	92.0 87.0 90.0 89.0 95.0 94.0 93.0 89.0	93.7 83.0 88.4 88.0 98.0 95.4 92.9 93.2	1981 93.2 83.4 93.9 95.0 87.4 93.6 92.2 90.5	1982 93.4 90.1 90.6 94.7 86.5 95.8 91.1 85.0	1983 93.6 87.8 88.9 91.8 84.3 93.3 91.5 95.9	95.9 89.8 95.8 94.3 98.2 94.6 97.2 94.9	92.5 86.9 87.6 89.0 95.8 89.9 92.6 84.1	Tested 1985 1380 344 259 73 71 565 596 4.3
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Headerson County Henderson County Henderson County Macon County Macon County Macon County Macon County Macon County Madison County	91.0 82.0 93.0 84.0 87.0 89.0 93.0 94.0 93.0 87.0 91.0 85.0	92.0 87.0 90.0 89.0 95.0 94.0 93.0 89.0 92.0 96.0 90.0	93.7 83.0 88.4 88.0 98.0 95.4 92.9 93.2 92.1 97.3 92.7 81.8	93.2 83.4 93.9 95.0 87.4 93.6 92.2 90.5 90.3 93.4 89.7 87.5	93.4 90.1 90.6 94.7 86.5 95.8 91.1 85.0 92.5 94.9 90.1 84.8	1983 93.6 87.8 88.9 91.8 84.3 93.3 91.5 95.9 92.8 93.5 87.5 87.3	95.9 89.8 95.8 94.3 98.2 94.6 97.2 94.9	92.5 86.9 87.6 89.0 95.8 89.9 92.6 84.1 92.7 91.2 88.0 89.0	Tested 1985 1380 344 259 73 71 565 596 4.3 303 217 184 453
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Henderson County Henderson Ville City Jackson County Macon County Madison County McDowell County Mitchell County	91.0 82.0 93.0 84.0 87.0 89.0 93.0 94.0 93.0 87.0 91.0 85.0	92.0 87.0 90.0 89.0 95.0 94.0 93.0 89.0 92.0 96.0 90.0 90.0	93.7 83.0 88.4 88.0 98.0 95.4 92.9 93.2 92.1 97.3 92.7 81.8	93.2 83.4 93.9 95.0 87.4 93.6 92.2 90.5 90.3 93.4 89.7 87.5	93.4 90.1 90.6 94.7 86.5 95.8 91.1 85.0 92.5 94.9 90.1 84.8	1983 93.6 87.8 88.9 91.8 84.3 93.3 91.5 95.9 92.8 93.5 87.5 87.3	1984 95.9 89.8 95.8 94.3 98.2 94.6 97.2 94.9 97.9 96.5 91.3 92.1	92.5 86.9 87.6 89.0 95.8 89.9 92.6 84.1 92.7 91.2 88.0 89.0	Tested 1985 1380 344 259 73 71 565 596 4.3 303 217 184 453
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Henderson County Henderson County Henderson County Macon County Macon County Machael County Mitchell County Polk County	91.0 82.0 93.0 84.0 87.0 89.0 93.0 94.0 93.0 87.0 91.0 85.0 93.0	92.0 87.0 90.0 89.0 95.0 94.0 93.0 89.0 92.0 96.0 90.0 90.0	93.7 83.0 88.4 88.0 98.0 95.4 92.9 93.2 92.1 97.3 92.7 81.8	93.2 83.4 93.9 95.0 87.4 93.6 92.2 90.5 90.3 93.4 89.7 87.5	93.4 90.1 90.6 94.7 86.5 95.8 91.1 85.0 92.5 94.9 90.1 84.8 86.5 81.7	1983 93.6 87.8 88.9 91.8 84.3 93.3 91.5 95.9 92.8 93.5 87.5 87.3	1984 95.9 89.8 95.8 94.3 98.2 94.6 97.2 94.9 97.9 96.5 91.3 92.1	92.5 86.9 87.6 89.0 95.8 89.9 92.6 84.1 92.7 91.2 88.0 89.0	Tested 1985 1380 344 259 73 71 565 596 4.3 303 217 184 453
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Henderson County Henderson Ville City Jackson County Macon County Madison County McDowell County Mitchell County	91.0 82.0 93.0 84.0 87.0 89.0 93.0 94.0 93.0 87.0 91.0 85.0	92.0 87.0 90.0 89.0 95.0 94.0 93.0 89.0 92.0 96.0 90.0 90.0	93.7 83.0 88.4 88.0 98.0 95.4 92.9 93.2 92.1 97.3 92.7 81.8	93.2 83.4 93.9 95.0 87.4 93.6 92.2 90.5 90.3 93.4 89.7 87.5	93.4 90.1 90.6 94.7 86.5 95.8 91.1 85.0 92.5 94.9 90.1 84.8	1983 93.6 87.8 88.9 91.8 84.3 93.3 91.5 95.9 92.8 93.5 87.5 87.3	1984 95.9 89.8 95.8 94.3 98.2 94.6 97.2 94.9 97.9 96.5 91.3 92.1	92.5 86.9 87.6 89.0 95.8 89.9 92.6 84.1 92.7 91.2 88.0 89.0	Tested 1985 1380 344 259 73 71 565 596 4.3 303 217 184 453
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Henderson County Henderson County Henderson County Macon County Macon County Maclo County McDowell County Mitchell County Polk County Tryon City Rutherford County	91.0 82.0 93.0 84.0 87.0 89.0 93.0 94.0 93.0 87.0 91.0 85.0 93.0 85.0	92.0 87.0 90.0 89.0 95.0 94.0 93.0 89.0 92.0 96.0 90.0 94.0 94.0 98.0 87.0	93.7 83.0 88.4 88.0 98.0 95.4 92.9 93.2 92.1 97.3 92.7 81.8	93.2 83.4 93.9 95.0 87.4 93.6 92.2 90.5 90.3 93.4 89.7 87.5	93.4 90.1 90.6 94.7 86.5 95.8 91.1 85.0 92.5 94.9 90.1 84.8 86.5 81.7 98.1 88.6	1983 93.6 87.8 88.9 91.8 84.3 93.3 91.5 95.9 92.8 93.5 87.5 87.3 86.7 91.6 93.8 85.9	1984 95.9 89.8 95.8 94.3 98.2 94.6 97.2 94.9 97.9 96.5 91.3 92.1 91.2 95.8 98.1 90.9	92.5 86.9 87.6 89.0 95.8 89.9 92.6 84.1 92.7 91.2 88.0 89.0 87.2 90.5 100.0 91.1	Tested 1985 1380 344 259 73 71 565 596 4.3 303 217 184 453 187 84 57 674
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Henderson County Henderson County Henderson County Macon County Macon County Maclo County McDowell County Mitchell County Polk County Tryon City Rutherford County Swain County	91.0 82.0 93.0 84.0 87.0 89.0 93.0 94.0 93.0 87.0 91.0 85.0 93.0 85.0	92.0 87.0 90.0 89.0 95.0 94.0 93.0 89.0 92.0 96.0 90.0 94.0 98.0 87.0	93.7 83.0 88.4 88.0 98.0 95.4 92.9 93.2 92.1 97.3 92.7 81.8 93.1 86.8 91.7 85.5	93.2 83.4 93.9 95.0 87.4 93.6 92.2 90.5 90.3 93.4 89.7 87.5	93.4 90.1 90.6 94.7 86.5 95.8 91.1 85.0 92.5 94.9 90.1 84.8 86.5 81.7 98.1 88.6	1983 93.6 87.8 88.9 91.8 84.3 93.3 91.5 95.9 92.8 93.5 87.5 87.3 86.7 91.6 93.8 85.9	95.9 89.8 95.8 94.3 98.2 94.6 97.2 94.9 97.9 96.5 91.3 92.1 91.2 95.8 98.1 90.9	92.5 86.9 87.6 89.0 95.8 89.9 92.6 84.1 92.7 91.2 88.0 89.0 87.2 90.5 100.0 91.1	Tested 1985 1380 344 259 73 71 565 596 4.3 303 217 184 453 187 84 57 674
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Henderson County Henderson County Henderson County Macon County Macon County Macon County McDowell County Mitchell County Polk County Tryon City Rutherford County	91.0 82.0 93.0 84.0 87.0 89.0 93.0 94.0 93.0 87.0 91.0 85.0 93.0 85.0	92.0 87.0 90.0 89.0 95.0 94.0 93.0 89.0 92.0 96.0 90.0 94.0 94.0 98.0 87.0	93.7 83.0 88.4 88.0 98.0 95.4 92.9 93.2 92.1 97.3 92.7 81.8	93.2 83.4 93.9 95.0 87.4 93.6 92.2 90.5 90.3 93.4 89.7 87.5	93.4 90.1 90.6 94.7 86.5 95.8 91.1 85.0 92.5 94.9 90.1 84.8 86.5 81.7 98.1 88.6	1983 93.6 87.8 88.9 91.8 84.3 93.3 91.5 95.9 92.8 93.5 87.5 87.3 86.7 91.6 93.8 85.9	1984 95.9 89.8 95.8 94.3 98.2 94.6 97.2 94.9 97.9 96.5 91.3 92.1 91.2 95.8 98.1 90.9	92.5 86.9 87.6 89.0 95.8 89.9 92.6 84.1 92.7 91.2 88.0 89.0 87.2 90.5 100.0 91.1	Tested 1985 1380 344 259 73 71 565 596 4.3 303 217 184 453 187 84 57 674



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	PERCENTAGE O	F FIRST-TIME S	OPHOMORES PASSING	READING Number
SCHOOL SYSTI	EM 1986	1987	1988	Tested 1988
Buncombe County	97.0	95.0	95.1	1566
Asheville City	95.6	93.6	93.6	1566 266
Cherokee County	94.2	93.5	95.9	269
Clay County	89.5	95.9	95.4	87
Graham County	93.6	92.2	78.7	94
Haywood County Henderson County	92.5	94.6	90.9	582
Henderson County		95.5	94.4	589
	y 95.1	97.2	95.8	118
Jackson County	93.4	95.8	94.1	272
Macon County	95.6	97.7	96.8	221
Madison County	87.0	90.3	89.6	164
McDowell County	93.9	94.0	92.1	491
Mitchell County	93.2	92.1	89.6	144
Polk County	96.6	95.6	93.4	76
Tryon City	96.6	93.7	93.2	59
Rutherford County	93.2	94.0	91.8	699
Swain County	94.7	94.4	94.2	121
		0.4.0		121
Transylvania Coun	•	94.9	94.8	306
	ty 96.8 93.9	94.9 92.4 	94.8 90.3	306 185
Transylvania Coun Yancey County P	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F	92.4		THEMATICS Number
Transylvania Coun Yancey County	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F	92.4	90.3	185
Transylvania County Yancey County P SCHOOL SYSTE Bunco the County	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F	92.4 TRST-TIME SOPE 1987	90.3 HOMORES PASSING MA	THEMATICS Number Tested 1988
Transylvania County Yancey County P SCHOOL SYSTE Bunco the County Asheville City	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F	92.4 TRST-TIME SOPE 1987 89.3	90.3 HOMORES PASSING MA 1988 91.5	THEMATICS Number Tested 1988
Transylvania County Yancey County P SCHOOL SYSTE Bunco the County Asheville City Chetokee County	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F M 1986 94.7	92.4 TRST-TIME SOPE 1987	90.3 HOMORES PASSING MA 1988 91.5 87.9	THEMATICS Number Tested 1988 1566 264
Transylvania County Yancey County P SCHOOL SYSTE Bunco the County Asheville City	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F M 1986 94.7 92.1	92.4 TRST-TIME SOPE 1987 89.3 84.6	90.3 HOMORES PASSING MA 1988 91.5	THEMATICS Number Tested 1988
Transylvania County Yancey County P SCHOOL SYSTE Bunco the County Asheville City Chetokee County Clay County Graham County	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F M 1986 94.7 92.1 92.2	92.4 TRST-TIME SOPE 1987 89.3 84.6 91.0	90.3 HOMORES PASSING MA 1988 91.5 87.9 89.9 86.2	THEMATICS Number Tested 1988 1566 264 267 87
Transylvania County Yancey County P SCHOOL SYSTE Bunco the County Asheville City Chetokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F M 1986 94.7 92.1 92.2 87.4	92.4 TRST-TIME SOPE 1987 89.3 84.6 91.0 87.7	90.3 HOMORES PASSING MA 1988 91.5 87.9 89.9	THEMATICS Number Tested 1988 1566 264 267 87
Transylvania County Yancey County P SCHOOL SYSTE Bunco the County Asheville City Chetokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F M 1986 94.7 92.1 92.2 87.4 87.2 92.3 94.9	92.4 FIRST-TIME SOPE 1987 89.3 84.6 91.0 87.7	90.3 HOMORES PASSING MA 1988 91.5 87.9 89.9 86.2 79.8	THEMATICS Number Tested 1988 1566 264 267 87
Transylvania County Yancey County P SCHOOL SYSTE Bunco the County Asheville City Chetokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F M 1986 94.7 92.1 92.2 87.4 87.2 92.3 94.9	92.4 TRST-TIME SOPE 1987 89.3 84.6 91.0 87.7 94.2 90.7	90.3 HOMORES PASSING MA 1988 91.5 87.9 89.9 86.2 79.8 89.2	THEMATICS Number Tested 1988 1566 264 267 87
Transylvania County Yancey County P SCHOOL SYSTE Bunco the County Asheville City Chetokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Henderson County Jackson County	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F M 1986 94.7 92.1 92.2 87.4 87.2 92.3 94.9	92.4 TRST-TIME SOPE 1987 89.3 84.6 91.0 87.7 94.2 90.7 90.8	90.3 HOMORES PASSING MA 1988 91.5 87.9 89.9 86.2 79.8 89.2 91.5 95.8	THEMATICS Number Tested 1988 1566 264 267 87 94 583 587 118
Transylvania County Yancey County P SCHOOL SYSTE Bunco the County Asheville City Chetokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Henderson County Macon County	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F 94.7 92.1 92.2 87.4 87.2 92.3 94.9 97.1	92.4 TRST-TIME SOPI 1987 89.3 84.6 91.0 87.7 94.2 90.7 90.8 95.8	90.3 HOMORES PASSING MA 1988 91.5 87.9 89.9 86.2 79.8 89.2 91.5 95.8	THEMATICS Number Tested 1988 1566 264 267 87 94 583 587 118
Transylvania County Yancey County P SCHOOL SYSTE Bunco the County Asheville City Chetokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Henderson County Macon County Macon County Madison County	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F M 1986 94.7 92.1 92.2 87.4 87.2 92.3 94.9 97.1 91.0 95.6 86.4	92.4 TRST-TIME SOPI 1987 89.3 84.6 91.0 87.7 94.2 90.7 90.8 95.8	90.3 HOMORES PASSING MA 1988 91.5 87.9 89.9 86.2 79.8 89.2 91.5 95.8	THEMATICS Number Tested 1988 1566 264 267 87 94 583 587 118 272 221
Transylvania County Yancey County P SCHOOL SYSTE Bunco the County Asheville City Chetokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Henderson County Macon County	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F M 1986 94.7 92.1 92.2 87.4 87.2 92.3 94.9 97.1	92.4 TRST-TIME SOPI 1987 89.3 84.6 91.0 87.7 94.2 90.7 90.8 95.8	90.3 HOMORES PASSING MA 1988 91.5 87.9 89.9 86.2 79.8 89.2 91.5 95.8	THEMATICS Number Tested 1988 1566 264 267 87 94 583 587 118
Transylvania County Yancey County P SCHOOL SYSTE Bunco the County Asheville City Chetokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Henderson County Macon County Macon County Macon County Mitchell County	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F M 1986 94.7 92.1 92.2 87.4 87.2 92.3 94.9 97.1 91.0 95.6 86.4 91.1	92.4 TRST-TIME SOPI 1987 89.3 84.6 91.0 87.7 94.2 90.7 90.8 95.8 94.1 96.2 91.3	90.3 HOMORES PASSING MA 1988 91.5 87.9 89.9 86.2 79.8 89.2 91.5 95.8 91.5 92.8 84.8 89.3	THEMATICS Number Tested 1988 1566 264 267 87 94 583 587 118 272 221 164 495
Transylvania County Yancey County P SCHOOL SYSTE Bunes the County Asheville City Chetokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Henderson County Macon County Macon County Macon County Mitchell County Polk County	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F M 1986 94.7 92.1 92.2 87.4 87.2 92.3 94.9 97.1 91.0 95.6 86.4 91.1 91.1 98.9	92.4 TIRST-TIME SOPI 1987 89.3 84.6 91.0 87.7 94.2 90.7 90.8 95.8 94.1 96.2 91.3 86.4 85.7 80.0	90.3 HOMORES PASSING MA 1988 91.5 87.9 89.9 86.2 79.8 89.2 91.5 95.8 91.5 92.8 84.8	THEMATICS Number Tested 1988 1566 264 267 87 94 583 587 118 272 221 164 495
Transylvania County Yancey County P SCHOOL SYSTE Bunes the County Asheville City Chetokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Henderson County Macon County Macon County Macon County Mitchell County Polk County Tryon City	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F M 1986 94.7 92.1 92.2 87.4 87.2 92.3 94.9 97.1 91.0 95.6 86.4 91.1 91.1 98.9 96.6	92.4 TIRST-TIME SOPI 1987 89.3 84.6 91.0 87.7 94.2 90.7 90.8 95.8 94.1 96.2 91.3 86.4 85.7 80.0 89.8	90.3 HOMORES PASSING MA 1988 91.5 87.9 89.9 86.2 79.8 89.2 91.5 95.8 91.5 92.8 84.8 89.3	THEMATICS Number Tested 1988 1566 264 267 87 94 583 587 118 272 221 164 495
Transylvania County Yancey County P SCHOOL SYSTE Bunes the County Asheville City Chetokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Henderson County Macon County Macon County Macon County Mitchell County Polk County	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F M 1986 94.7 92.1 92.2 87.4 87.2 92.3 94.9 97.1 91.0 95.6 86.4 91.1 91.1 98.9	92.4 TIRST-TIME SOPI 1987 89.3 84.6 91.0 87.7 94.2 90.7 90.8 95.8 94.1 96.2 91.3 86.4 85.7 80.0	90.3 HOMORES PASSING MA 1988 91.5 87.9 89.9 86.2 79.8 89.2 91.5 95.8 91.5 92.8 84.8 89.3 79.9 88.2	THEMATICS Number Tested 1988 1566 264 267 87 94 583 587 118 272 221 164 495
Transylvania County Yancey County P SCHOOL SYSTE Bunes the County Asheville City Chetokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Henderson County Macon County Macon County Macon County Mitchell County Mitchell County Polk County Tryon City Rutherford County Swain County	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F M 1986 94.7 92.1 92.2 87.4 87.2 92.3 94.9 97.1 91.0 95.6 86.4 91.1 91.1 98.9 96.6 92.0 93.8	92.4 TIRST-TIME SOPI 1987 89.3 84.6 91.0 87.7 94.2 90.7 90.8 95.8 94.1 96.2 91.3 86.4 85.7 80.0 89.8	90.3 HOMORES PASSING MA 1988 91.5 87.9 89.9 86.2 79.8 89.2 91.5 95.8 91.5 92.8 84.8 89.3 79.9 88.2 90.0	THEMATICS Number Tested 1988 1566 264 267 87 94 583 587 118 272 221 164 495 144 76 60 703
Transylvania County Yancey County P SCHOOL SYSTE Bunes the County Asheville City Chetokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Henderson County Macon County Macon County Macon County Mitchell County Mitchell County Polk County Tryon City Rutherford County	93.9 PERCENTAGE OF F M 1986 94.7 92.1 92.2 87.4 87.2 92.3 94.9 97.1 91.0 95.6 86.4 91.1 91.1 08.9 96.6 92.0	92.4 TIRST-TIME SOPI 1987 89.3 84.6 91.0 87.7 94.2 90.7 90.8 95.8 94.1 96.2 91.3 86.4 85.7 80.0 89.8 89.3	90.3 HOMORES PASSING MA 1988 91.5 87.9 89.9 86.2 79.8 89.2 91.5 95.8 91.5 92.8 84.8 89.3 79.9 88.2 90.0 89.6	THEMATICS Number Tested 1988 1566 264 267 87 94 583 587 118 272 221 164 495



Writing Objective and Writing Essay Test Results for Educational Regions and Public School Systems

Table 15 presents the passing rates for sophomores taking the writing tests for the first time in the 1986 through 1988 administrations by educational region. All eight educational regions had higher passing rates on the writing essay test in 1988 than in 1987 and all educational regions have gained between 6.0 and 8.1 percentage points since the initial administration of the essay test in 1986. Between 1987 and 1988 administrations performance on the writing objective test declined in all educational regions. Average performance by sophomores on the objectives are presented in Table 16.

The 1986 through 1988 writing objective and essay test summary results for public school systems are presented in Table 17. School systems are arranged by educational region. On the writing essay test, 121 school systems had higher passing rates in 1988 than in 1987, and 98 school systems had passing rates at least 5 percentage points higher than in the initial 1986 administration. Although passing rates on the writing objective test declined statewide, 44 school systems had higher rates than in the 1987 administration. The percentage passing the writing objective test has improved since the first administration in 82 school systems and has improved by at least 5 percentage points in 17 school systems.



TABLE 15

THE NC COMPETENCY TESTS WRITING OBJECTIVE AND ESSAY TESTS: 1986-1988 RESULTS FOR EDUCATIONAL REGIONS

PERCENTAGE OF FIRST-TIME STUDENTS PASSING WRITING OBJECTIVE TEST

				
REGION	1986	1987	1988	
Northeast	85.4	89.0	86.1	
Southeast	87.3	90.1	87.5	
Central	87.5	88.6	87.4	
South Central	84.4	85.9	83.7	
North Central	88.3	90.3	89.4	
Southwest	86.6	88.3	86.9	
Northwest	87.1	88.9	88.6	
Westem	87.3	1.88	87.1	

PERCENTAGE OF FIRST-TIME STUDENTS PASSING WRITING ESSAY TEST

1986	1987	1988	
86.6	88.1	93.7	
87.2			
87.8			
85.6	86.8	93.7	
89.1	92.6	95 1	
88.5			
87.0	90.6	94.2	
	86.6 87.2 87.8 85.6 89.1 88.9 88.5	86.6 88.1 87.2 93.6 87.8 89.3 85.6 86.8 89.1 92.6 88.9 92.1 88.5 93.0	86.6 88.1 93.7 87.2 93.6 94.9 87.8 89.3 94.0 85.6 86.8 93.7 89.1 92.6 95.1 88.9 92.1 95.5 88.5 93.0 96.1



SUMMARY OF WRITING OBJECTIVE AND ESSAY COMPETENCY TEST RESULTS FOR SOPHOMORES TAKING THE TESTS FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 1988 RESULTS FOR EDUCATIONAL REGIONS



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		i couldny ic		WR	ITING OBJECTIV	VE TEST	_		Percent P	assing
	Number Objective	Tested Essay	TAKING A MESSAGE	CAPITALIZATION	PUNCTUATION	SENTENCE STRUCTURE	WORD USAGE	FORMS	WRITING OBJECTIVE TEST*	WRITING ESSAY TEST
1 Northeast	4064	4057	92	95	85	88	81	84	86.1	93.7
2 Southeast	8205	8195	92	95	. 86	87	82	86	87.5	94.9
3 Central	11095	11076	92	95	86	88	83	84	87.4	94.0
4 South Central	9575	9561	92	95	84	86	80	83	83.7	93.7
5 North Central	13082	13052	93	95	86	89	85	85	89.4	95.1
6 Southwest	12227	12208	94	95	85	87	83	84	86.9	95.5
7 Northwest	7517	7505	94	95	86	88	84	85	88.6	96.1
8 Western	6287	6280	93	94	84	87	84	84	87.1	94.2
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TABLE 17

THE NC COMPETENCY TESTS WRITING OBJECTIVE AND ESSAY TESTS: 1986-1988 RESULTS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEMS

NORTHEAST REGION

PERCENTAGE OF FIRST-TIME SOPHOMORES PASSING OBJECTIVE TEST Number Tested SCHOOL SYSTEM 1986 1987 1988 1988 297 91.3 82.2 **Beaufort County** 81.8 Washington City 88.2 84.9 278 85.3 Bertie County 82.6 311 75.4 86.6 80 **Camden County** 92.6 97.6 93.7 145 **Chowan County** 88.8 87.1 85.5 **Currituck County** 90.6 95.9 92.2 128 **Dare County** 94.4 94.6 202 96.2 Gates County 91.5 92.2 88.6 123 Hertford County 294 86.9 87.ì 84.6 88.0 **Hyde County** 84.7 79.5 73 Martin County 86.5 91.1 88.4 354 Pasquotank County 86.3 87.4 89.3 327 **Perquimans County** 89.1 80.9 131 86.4 1088 Pitt County 85.7 87.5 85.1 Greenville City 82.7 merged with Pitt County 53 Tyrrell County 97.9 96.7 94.3 **Washington County** 78.2 87.8 79.4 180

	PERCENTAGE	OF F	IRST-TIME	SOPHOMORES	PASSING ESSAY TEST	Number
SCHOOL	SYSTEM	1986	198	7 1988		Tested 1988
Beaufort C	ounty	83.0	89.2	91.9		298
Washingto	n City	84.4	84.8	91.0		278
Bertie Cou	nty	90.6	85.7	92.2		308
Camden Co		92.6	94.0			80
Chowan Co	ounty	87.0	93.8	97.2	· -	145
Currituck (92.5	89.8	96,9		128
Dare Count		81.8	95.6			202
Gates Cour		88.7	87.5			123
Hertford Co	ounty	80.9	86.1	93.5	_	291
Hyde Coun		74.1	86.7	87.7		73
Martin Cou		0.88	86.7	93.5		355
Pasquotank	•	84.8	89.8			327
Perquimans	s County	84.1	82.9	93.1		131
Pitt County		88.7	89.7	93.7		1085
Greenville		90.4	me	erged with Pitt Coun	ıty	
Tyrrell Cou		93.8	86.9		•	53
Washington	n County	85.0	77.6	90.6		180



SOUTHEAST REGION

PERCENTAGE	OF FIRST-T	IME SOPHO	OMORES PASS	SING <u>OBJECTIVE TEST</u>	Number
					Tested
SCHOOL SYSTEM	1986	1987	1988		1988
Brunswick County	81.8	88.4	90.0		508
Carteret County	90.1	93.8	89.8		498
Craven County	90.8	89.9	87.7		863
Duplin County	86.3	83.8	82.2		589
Greene County	88.1	92.3	88.2		186
Jones County	90.5	88.1	84.3		102
Lenoir County	88.1	89.5	83.8		421
Kinston City	89.1	92.5	92.8		306
New Hanover County	89.1	91.8	87.8		1348
Onslow County	9 0.7	93.3	89.7		1085
Pamlico County	81.5	84.5	84.6		143
Pender County	81.9	88.1	80.5		348
Sampson County	79.5	89.3	89.1		439
Clinton City	79.0	88.3	83.1		183
Wayne County	88.2	89.6	88.2		880
Goldsboro City	84.0	88.4	87.3		306

PERCENTAGE	OF FIRST-T	IME SOPHO	MORES	PASSING	ESSAY TEST	Number Tested
SCHOOL SYSTEM	1986	1987	1988			1988
Brunswick County	93.3	94.5	98.6			507
Carteret County	92.9	96.1	97.0			496
Craven County	9 0.7	94.2	95.1			860
Duplin County	83.3	88.6	92.5			589
Greene County	83.9	93.4	97.3			186
Jones County	88.3	90.5	96.1			102
Lenoir County	82.0	85.9	89.8			421
Kinston City	90.9	95.5	95.8			306
New Hanover County	87.6	96.2	96.3	•		1346
Onslow County	89.1	94.7	95.5			1085
Pamlico County	86.3	92.3	95.8			143
Pender County	79.5	93.7	94.8			348
Sampson' County	79.1	92.1	93.2			439
Clinton City	80.0	93.9	92.3			183
Wayne County	87.1	92.9	94.3			880
Goldsboro City	88.0	95.5	91.1			304

CENTRAL REGION

PERCENTAC	GE OF FIRST-TIM	ме sophomo	RES PASSING OBJECTIVE TEST	Number
SCHOOL SYSTEM	1986	1987	1988	Tested 1988
Durnam County	94.1	93.1	92.2	1136
Durham City	79.7	81.8	81.0	384
Edgecombe County	81.7	82.3	82.7	
Tarbot > City	93.7	87.0	88.4	353 190
Franklin County	84.0	92.7	86.1	281
Franklinton City	80.7	79.0	78.6	112
Granville County	83.0	84.5	86.5	429
Halifax County	77.8	78.0	71.2	385
Roanoke Rapids City	94.4	94.2	94.7	206
Weldon City	68.3	85.4	89.2	83
Johnston County	90.0	90.9	91.8	980
Nash County	83.1	90.5	84.9	741
Rocky Mount City	82.8	85.8	76.1	360
Northampton County	78.1	78.7	78.2	243
Vance County	79.1	85.0	81.0	537
Wake County	91.7	91.4	91.2	3673
Warren County	85.8	86.3	88.2	187
Wilson County	83.6	85.4	85.5	815
		іме ѕорном	ORES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Number Tested
PERCENTA SCHOOL SYSTEM	AGE OF FIRST-T	IME SOPHOM 1987	ORES PASSING <u>ESSAY_TEST</u> 1988	Number Tested 1988
SCHOOL SYSTEM Durham County			1988	Tested 1988
SCHOOL SYSTEM Durham County Durham City	1986	1987	1988 96.1	Tested 1988 1136
SCHOOL SYSTEM Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County	1986 89.4	1987 92.8	1988 96.1 85.6	Tested 1988 1136 383
SCHOOL SYSTEM Durham County Durham City	1986 89.4 81.0	1987 92.8 84.0	1988 96.1	Tested 1988 1136
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County	1986 89.4 81.0 85.9	92.8 84.0 86.8 93.0	1988 96.1 85.6 89.5 93.7	Tested 1988 1136 383 353 189
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City	1986 89.4 81.0 85.9 91.8	1987 92.8 84.0 86.8	1988 96.1 85.6 89.5 93.7	Tested 1988 1136 383 353 189
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County	89.4 81.0 85.9 91.8	92.8 84.0 86.8 93.0 94.0 81.5	1988 96.1 85.6 89.5 93.7 92.5 88.3	Tested 1988 1136 383 353 189 281
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City	89.4 81.0 85.9 91.8 86.9 69.3	92.8 84.0 86.8 93.0	1988 96.1 85.6 89.5 93.7	Tested 1988 1136 383 353 189
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Rosnoke Rapids City	89.4 81.0 85.9 91.8 86.9 69.3 90.1 80.4	92.8 84.0 86.8 93.0 94.0 81.5 87.8 78.2	1988 96.1 85.6 89.5 93.7 92.5 88.3 95.3 91.1	Tested 1988 1136 383 353 189 281 111 429 384
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Rosnoke Rapids City Weldon City	89.4 81.0 85.9 91.8 86.9 69.3 90.1	92.8 84.0 86.8 93.0 94.0 81.5 87.8 78.2	1988 96.1 85.6 89.5 93.7 92.5 88.3 95.3 91.1	Tested 1988 1136 383 353 189 281 111 429 384
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Rosnoke Rapids City Weldon City Johnston County	89.4 81.0 85.9 91.8 86.9 69.3 90.1 80.4	92.8 84.0 86.8 93.0 94.0 81.5 87.8 78.2	1988 96.1 85.6 89.5 93.7 92.5 88.3 95.3 91.1	Tested 1988 1136 383 353 189 281 111 429 384 206 83
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Rosnoke Rapids City Weldon City	89.4 81.0 85.9 91.8 86.9 69.3 90.1 80.4	92.8 84.0 86.8 93.0 94.0 81.5 87.8 78.2	1988 96.1 85.6 89.5 93.7 92.5 88.3 95.3 91.1	Tested 1988 1136 383 353 189 281 111 429 384
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Rosnoke Rapids City Weldon City Johnston County Nash County Rocky Mount City	89.4 81.0 85.9 91.8 86.9 69.3 90.1 80.4	92.8 84.0 86.8 93.0 94.0 81.5 87.8 78.2 90.9 85.4 95.8 86.8	96.1 85.6 89.5 93.7 92.5 88.3 95.3 91.1	Tested 1988 1136 383 353 189 281 111 429 384 206 83 980 741
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Rosnoke Rapids City Weldon City Johnston County Nash County Rocky Mount City Northampton County	89.4 81.0 85.9 91.8 86.9 69.3 90.1 80.4 87.2 76.8 94.8 82.1	92.8 84.0 86.8 93.0 94.0 81.5 87.8 78.2 90.9 85.4 95.8 86.8	96.1 85.6 89.5 93.7 92.5 88.3 95.3 91.1 95.6 94.0 98.4 94.1	Tested 1988 1136 383 353 189 281 111 429 384 206 83 980 741
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Rosnoke Rapids City Weldon City Johnston County Nash County Rocky Mount City Northampton County Vance County	89.4 81.0 85.9 91.8 86.9 69.3 90.1 80.4 87.2 76.8 94.8 82.1	92.8 84.0 86.8 93.0 94.0 81.5 87.8 78.2 90.9 85.4 95.8 86.8	96.1 85.6 89.5 93.7 92.5 88.3 95.3 91.1 95.6 94.0 98.4 94.1	Tested 1988 1136 383 353 189 281 111 429 384 206 83 980 741
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Rosnoke Rapids City Weldon City Johnston County Nash County Rocky Mount City Northampton County	89.4 81.0 85.9 91.8 86.9 69.3 90.1 80.4 87.2 76.8 94.8 82.1	92.8 84.0 86.8 93.0 94.0 81.5 87.8 78.2 90.9 85.4 95.8 86.8	96.1 85.6 89.5 93.7 92.5 88.3 95.3 91.1 95.6 94.0 98.4 94.1	Tested 1988 1136 383 353 189 281 111 429 384 206 83 980 741
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Rosnoke Rapids City Weldon City Johnston County Nash County Rocky Mount City Northampton County Vance County Wake County Warren County	89.4 81.0 85.9 91.8 86.9 69.3 90.1 80.4 87.2 76.8 94.8 82.1	92.8 84.0 86.8 93.0 94.0 81.5 87.8 78.2 90.9 85.4 95.8 86.8	96.1 85.6 89.5 93.7 92.5 88.3 95.3 91.1 95.6 94.0 98.4 94.1	Tested 1988 1136 383 353 189 281 111 429 384 206 83 980 741 358 240 536 2664
Durham County Durham City Edgecombe County Tarboro City Franklin County Franklinton City Granville County Halifax County Rosnoke Rapids City Weldon City Johnston County Nash County Rocky Mount City Northampton County Vance County Wake County	89.4 81.0 85.9 91.8 86.9 69.3 90.1 80.4 87.2 76.8 94.8 82.1	92.8 84.0 86.8 93.0 94.0 81.5 87.8 78.2 90.9 85.4 95.8 86.8	96.1 85.6 89.5 93.7 92.5 88.3 95.3 91.1 95.6 94.0 98.4 94.1	Tested 1988 1136 383 353 189 281 111 429 384 206 83 980 741 358 240 536



SOUTH CENTRAL REGION

PERCENTAGE	OF FIRST-	TIME SOPHO	OMORES 1	PASSING	OBJECTIVE TEST	
SCHOOL SYSTEM	1986	1987	1988			Tested 1988
Bladen County .	80.6	83.4	81.9			453
Columbus County	80.5	84.4	79.3			579
Whiteville City	90.6	96.1	93.7			189
Cumberland County	87.9	88.7	86.8			3136
Harnett County	86.3	86.9	81.0		-	779
Hoke County	83.7	82.1	79.6			329
Lee County	90.9	90.0	87.8			509
Montgomery County	78.4	86.2	81.3			273
Moore County	88.4	88.6	83.1			587
Richmond County	84.0	84.8	83.9			573
Robeson County	70.3	74.6	78.1			977
Fairmont City	78.6	83.8	85.6			139
Lumberton City	86.6	86.2	81.6			310
Red Springs City	85.3	79.7	82.0			128
Saint Pauls City	78.6	76.3	83.8			99
Scotland County	82.6	86.2	83.7			515

PERCENTA	GE OF FIRS	T-TIME SOP	HOMORES	PASSING	ESSAY TEST	Number Tested
SCHOOL SYSTEM	1986	1987	1988			1988
Bladen County	81.7	86.8	93.1			452
Columbus County	86.5	84.4	91.9			577
Whiteville City	92.3	93.6	98.9			189
Cumberland County	89.3	88.1	95.2			3134
Harnett County	84.4	86.1	92.2			780
Hoke County	85.7	80.7	92.7			328
Lee County	84.3	91.6	96.3			509
Montgomery County	90.5	88.1	92.6			270
Moore County	86.8	90.6	93.4	_		587
Richmond County	84.0	81.5	93.9			572
Robeson County	71.9	82.4	90.6			973
Fairmont City	86.2	96.1	95.0			139
Lumberton City	84.1	90.2	93.9			310
Red Springs City	86.8	79.4	94.5			128
Saint Pauls City	89.3	85.1	92.0			100
Scotland County	88.0	84.8	91.6 .			513
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NORTH CENTRAL REGION

PERCENTAGE	OF FIRST-TIM	E SOPHOMOR	ES PASSING <u>OBJECTIVE TEST</u>	Number Tested
SCHOOL SYSTEM	1986	1987	1988	1988
Alamance County	86,8	89,9	89.1	827
Burlington City	95.4	93.2	93.4	470
Caswell County	82.0	8C 7	81.8	253
Chatham County	88.3	91.7	89.9	378
				
Davidson County	88.7	91.3	86.9	1092
Lexington City	82.4	88.5	91.5	21.3
Thomasville City Forsyth County	80.4 87.9	81.9 90.1	82.5 89.6	160 2551
Guilford County Greensboro City	90.3	91.4	92.1	1715
	89. (85.6	90.7	86.9	1390
High Point City		86.2	86.3	439
Orange County	85.2	88.1	90.8	315
Chapel Hill City	93.2	95.0	94.7	265
Person County	88.1	91.6	89.7	416
Randolph County	89.5	91.4	91.3	873
Asheboro City	94.9	92.2	92.8	207
Rockingham County	86.6	92.9	84.3	230
Eden City	86.3	86.8	90.8	273
West. Rockingham	87.2	86.2	88.1	278 278
Reidsville City	79.6	79.8	84.8	283
				
Stokes County	85.5	89.9 	91.4	454
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PERCI	ENTAGE OF FI	RST-TIME SOF	PHOMORES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Number
SCHOOL SYSTEM	ENTAGE OF FI	RST-TIME SOF	PHOMORES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Number Tested 1988
SCHOOL SYSTEM	1986	1987	1988	Tested 1.988
SCHOOL SYSTEM Alamance County	1986 88.1	1987 92.7	1988 97.7	Tested 1.988 &24
SCHOOL SYSTEM Alamance County Burlington City	1986 88.1 93.0	1987 92.7 96.1	1988 97.7 98.3	Tested 1988 8/24 4*10
SCHOOL SYSTEM Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County	1986 88.1 93.0 80.8	1987 92.7 96.1 86.2	1988 97.7 98.3 92.5	Tested 1.988 ੪24 4*10 253
SCHOOL SYSTEM Alamance County Burlington City	1986 88.1 93.0	1987 92.7 96.1	1988 97.7 98.3	Tested 1988 8/24 4*10
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Davidson County	1986 88.1 93.0 80.8 89.5	1987 92.7 96.1 86.2	1988 97.7 98.3 92.5	Tested 1.988 ੪24 4*10 253
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Davidson Counts Lexington City	88.1 93.0 80.8 89.5 87.4 86.8	92.7 96.1 86.2 94.6	1988 97.7 98.3 92.5 95.3 94.7 92.0	Tested 1.988 824 4*10 253 380
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Davidson Counts Lexington City Thomasville City	88.1 93.0 80.8 89.5 87.4 86.8 91.9	92.7 96.1 86.2 94.6 90.5 87.6 92.1	1988 97.7 98.3 92.5 95.3 94.7 92.0 93.7	Tested 1.988 824 4*'0 253 380 1090 213 160
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Davidson Counts Lexington City	88.1 93.0 80.8 89.5 87.4 86.8	92.7 96.1 86.2 94.6	1988 97.7 98.3 92.5 95.3 94.7 92.0	Tested 1988 824 4*10 253 380 1090 213
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Davidson Counts Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County	88.1 93.0 80.8 89.5 87.4 86.8 91.9 90.6	92.7 96.1 86.2 94.6 90.5 87.6 92.1 94.0	1988 97.7 98.3 92.5 95.3 94.7 92.0 93.7 95.0	Tested 1988 824 4*10 253 380 1090 213 160 2554
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Davidson Counts Lexington City Thomasville City	1986 88.1 93.0 80.8 89.5 87.4 86.8 91.9 90.6	92.7 96.1 86.2 94.6 90.5 87.6 92.1 94.0	1988 97.7 98.3 92.5 95.3 94.7 92.0 93.7 95.0	Tested 1.988 824 4"0 253 380 1090 213 160 255:
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Davidson Counts Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Guilford County	88.1 93.0 80.8 89.5 87.4 86.8 91.9 90.6	92.7 96.1 86.2 94.6 90.5 87.6 92.1 94.0	1988 97.7 98.3 92.5 95.3 94.7 92.0 93.7 95.0	Tested 1.988 824 4"0 253 380 1090 213 160 255:
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Davidson County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Guilford County Greensboro City	1986 88.1 93.0 80.8 89.5 87.4 86.8 91.9 90.6	92.7 96.1 86.2 94.6 90.5 87.6 92.1 94.0	1988 97.7 98.3 92.5 95.3 94.7 92.0 93.7 95.0	Tested 1.988 824 4*10 253 380 1090 213 160 255:
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Guilford County Greensboro City High Point City Orange County	1986 88.1 93.0 80.8 89.5 87.4 86.8 91.9 90.6 91.3 85.7 84.5 89.9	92.7 96.1 86.2 94.6 90.5 87.6 92.1 94.0 91.1 92.8 85.8 94.7	1988 97.7 98.3 92.5 95.3 94.7 92.0 93.7 95.0 17.2 93.4 93.2 97.8	Tested 1.988 824 4"0 253 380 1090 213 160 255: 1704 138" 438 315
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Davidson County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Guilford County Greensboro City High Point City Orange County Chapel Hill City	1986 88.1 93.0 80.8 89.5 87.4 86.8 91.9 90.6 91.3 85.7 84.5 89.9	92.7 96.1 86.2 94.6 90.5 87.6 92.1 94.0 91.1 92.8 85.8 94.7	1988 97.7 98.3 92.5 95.3 94.7 92.0 93.7 95.0 17.2 93.4 93.2 97.8	Tested 1.988 824 4"0 253 380 1090 213 160 255: 1704 138" 438 315
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Guilford County Greensboro City High Point City Orange County Chapel Hill City P 'son County	1986 88.1 93.0 80.8 89.5 87.4 86.8 91.9 90.6 91.3 85.7 84.5 89.9	92.7 96.1 86.2 94.6 90.5 87.6 92.1 94.0 91.1 92.8 85.8 94.7	1988 97.7 98.3 92.5 95.3 94.7 92.0 93.7 95.0 17.2 93.4 93.2 97.8 98.5 95.7	Tested 1.988 824 4"0 253 380 1090 213 160 255: 1704 138" 438 315 265 416
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Davidson County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Guilford County Greensboro City High Point City Orange County Chapel Hill City	1986 88.1 93.0 80.8 89.5 87.4 86.8 91.9 90.6 91.3 85.7 84.5 89.9	92.7 96.1 86.2 94.6 90.5 87.6 92.1 94.0 91.1 92.8 85.8 94.7	1988 97.7 98.3 92.5 95.3 94.7 92.0 93.7 95.0 17.2 93.4 93.2 97.8 98.5 95.7 96.1	Tested 1.988 824 4"0 253 380 1090 213 160 255; 1704 138" 438 315 265 4:6 872
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Guilford County Greensboro City High Point City Orange County Chapel Hill City P 'son County Randolph County Asheboro City	1986 88.1 93.0 80.8 89.5 87.4 86.8 91.9 90.6 91.3 85.7 84.5 89.9 91.6 86.9 93.3 90.1	92.7 96.1 86.2 94.6 90.5 87.6 92.1 94.0 91.1 92.8 85.8 94.7 94.9 96.0 95.8 91.8	1988 97.7 98.3 92.5 95.3 94.7 92.0 93.7 95.0 17.2 93.4 93.2 97.8 98.5 95.7 95.1 95.1	Tested 1.988 824 4"0 253 380 1090 213 160 255; 1704 138" 438 315 265 6:6 872 204
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Guilford County Greensboro City High Point City Orange County Chapel Hill City P 'son County Randolph County Asheboro City	1986 88.1 93.0 80.8 89.5 87.4 86.8 91.9 90.6 91.3 85.7 84.5 89.9 91.6 86.9 93.3 90.1	92.7 96.1 86.2 94.6 90.5 87.6 92.1 94.0 91.1 92.8 85.8 94.7 94.9 96.0 95.8 91.8	1988 97.7 98.3 92.5 95.3 94.7 92.0 93.7 95.0 17.2 93.4 93.2 97.8 98.5 95.7 96.1 95 1	Tested 1.988 824 4"0 253 380 1090 213 160 255: 1704 138" 438 315 265 4:6 872 204
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Guilford County Greensboro City High Point City Orange County Chapel Hill City P 'son County Randolph County Asheboro City Rockingham County Eden City	1986 88.1 93.0 80.8 89.5 87.4 86.8 91.9 90.6 91.3 85.7 84.5 89.9 91.6 86.9 93.3 90.1	92.7 96.1 86.2 94.6 90.5 87.6 92.1 94.0 91.1 92.8 85.8 94.7 94.9 96.0 95.8 91.8	1988 97.7 98.3 92.5 95.3 94.7 92.0 93.7 95.0 17.2 93.4 93.2 97.8 98.5 95.7 96.1 95.1	Tested 1.988 824 4"0 253 380 1090 213 160 255: 1704 138" 438 315 265 4:6 872 204 230 273
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Guilford County Greensboro City High Point City Orange County Chapel Hill City P 'son County Randolph County Asheboro City	1986 88.1 93.0 80.8 89.5 87.4 86.8 91.9 90.6 91.3 85.7 84.5 89.9 91.6 86.9 93.3 90.1	92.7 96.1 86.2 94.6 90.5 87.6 92.1 94.0 91.1 92.8 85.8 94.7 94.9 96.0 95.8 91.8	1988 97.7 98.3 92.5 95.3 94.7 92.0 93.7 95.0 17.2 93.4 93.2 97.8 98.5 95.7 96.1 95.1	Tested 1.988 824 4''0 253 380 1090 213 160 255: 1704 138* 43* 315 265 4:6 872 204 230 273 278
Alamance County Burlington City Caswell County Chatham County Chatham County Lexington City Thomasville City Forsyth County Guilford County Greensboro City High Point City Orange County Chapel Hill City P '50n County Randolph County Asheboro City Rockingham County Eden City West. Rockingham	1986 88.1 93.0 80.8 89.5 87.4 86.8 91.9 90.6 91.3 85.7 84.5 89.9 91.6 86.9 93.3 90.1	92.7 96.1 86.2 94.6 90.5 87.6 92.1 94.0 91.1 92.8 85.8 94.7 94.9 96.0 95.8 91.8	1988 97.7 98.3 92.5 95.3 94.7 92.0 93.7 95.0 17.2 93.4 93.2 97.8 98.5 95.7 96.1 95.1	Tested 1.988 824 4"0 253 380 1090 213 160 255; 1704 138" 438 315 265 4:6 872 204



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SOUTHWEST REGION

PERCENTAGE OF FIRST-TIME SOPHOMORES PASSING OBJECTIVE TEST Number Tested SCHOOL SYSTEM 1986 1987 1988 1988 **Anson County** 77.0 84.4 77.5 351 Cabarrus County 89.7 89.3 90.3 855 Kannapolis City 92.2 86.4 85 5 275 Cleveland County 81.2 82.9 87.0 555 Kings Mountain City 86.3 91.0 88.8 258 Shelby City 92.1 85.2 86.3 230 Gaston County 86.0 87.8 87.8 2245 Lincoln County 85.9 85.3 85.6 638 Mecklenburg County 86.8 88.7 86.6 4014 Rowen County 86.3 90.3 87.1 957 Salisbury City 90.7 88.6 83.2 179 Stanly County 87.4 87.0 85.5 489 Albemarle City 82.7 84.5 88.2 144 **Union County** 90.4 91.9 90.1 807 Monroe City 88.5 86.4 84.8 230

PLRCENTAGE OF FIRST-TIME SOPHOMORES PASSING ESSAY TEST

SCHOOL SYSTEM	1986	1987	1988	Number Tested 1988
Anson County	84.9	90.3	90.0	351
Cabarrus County	89.9	93.0	96.3	854
Kannapolis City	94.0	89.4	96.0	276
Cleveland County	87.7	89.1	92.6	555
Kings Mountain City	82.9	89.0	96.1	258
Shelby City	82.8	90.6	95.7	230
Gaston County	87.9	92.8	96.2	2235
Lincoln County	84.5	91.4	96.4	634
Mecklenburg County	91.2	92.5	95.5	4010
Rowan County	86.1	92.1	95.8	956
Salisbury City	88.9	93.2	95.0	179
Stanly County	83.5	93.4	97.1	489
Albemarle City	95.3	91.2	97.9	144
Union County	88.8	93.2	95.5	807
Monroe City	88.0	87.8	89.6	230

NORTHWEST REGION

	PERCENTAGE OF	FIRST-TIME SO	PHOMORES PASSIN	G OBJECTIVE TEST	Number Tested
SCHOOL SYSTE	M 1986	1987	1988		1988
Alexander County	90.6	91.5	87.9		371
Alleghary County	80.4	83.9	85.0		127
Ashe County	85.3	86.9	86.4		280
Avery County	85.4	82.6	86.7		195
Burke County	88.3	89.5	89.6		883
Caldwell County	90.5	92.1	90.6		741
Catawba County	88.5	90.5	88.6		951
Hickory City	91.9	92.1	93.2		325
Newton City	90.2	95.0	93.2		161
Davie Ccunty	88.6	89.3	89.1		339
Iredell County	84.7	86.3	85.0		751
Mooresville City	77.1	92.9	93.1		`3
Statesville City	85.7	86.5	82.6		2.9
Surry County	84.8	90.8	90.5		549
Elkin City	95.5	92.2	89.5		86
Mount Airy City	83.8	92.4	84.1		107
Watauga County	89.9	90.1	93.2		279
Wilkes County	84.6	83.3	87.8		778
Yadkin County	84.0	86.1	87.6		362
	PERCENTAGE	OF FIRST-TIM	E SOPHOMORES PA	SSING ESSAY TEST N	Number
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SCHOOL SYSTEM		OF FIRST-TIMI	E SOPHOMORES PA		Number Tested 1988
Alexander County					Tested 1988
Alexander County Aleghany County	M 1586	1987	1988		Tested 1988 370
Alexander County Alleghany County Ashe County	M 1986 93.3	1987 90.8	1988 96.8 95.3		Tested 1988 370 127
Alexander County Aleghany County	M 1586 53.3 93.0	1987 90.8 91.1	1988 96.8		Tested 1988 370
Alexander County A'leghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County	93.3 93.0 92.2	1987 90.8 91.1 97.0	96.8 95.3 99.3 96.9		Tested 1988 370 127 280 195
Alexander County A'leghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County	93.3 93.0 92.2 92.7	90.8 91.1 97.0 95.2	96.8 95.3 99.3 96.9		Tested 1988 370 127 280 195
Alexander County A'leghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County	93.3 93.0 92.2 92.7	90.8 91.1 97.0 95.2	96.8 95.3 99.3 96.9		Tested 1988 370 127 280 195 833 741
Alexander County A'leghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County	93.3 93.0 92.2 92.7 89.5 82.9	90.8 91.1 97.0 95.2 92.4 93.6	96.8 95.3 99.3 96.9		Tested 1988 370 127 280 195
Alexander County A'leghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City	93.3 93.0 92.2 92.7 89.5 82.9 89.6	90.8 91.1 97.0 95.2 92.4 93.6 91.6	96.8 95.3 99.3 96.9 96.4 97.8 96.3 97.5		Tested 1988 370 127 280 195 833 741 949 325
Alexander County A'leghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County	93.3 93.0 92.2 92.7 89.5 82.9 89.6 96.1	90.8 91.1 97.0 95.2 92.4 93.6 91.6 98.0	96.8 95.3 99.3 96.9 96.4 97.8 96.3 97.5		Tested 1988 370 127 280 195 833 741 949 325
Alexander County A'leghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County	93.3 93.0 92.2 92.7 89.5 82.9 89.6 96.1 90.2 86.0 88.1	90.8 91.1 97.0 95.2 92.4 93.6 91.6 98.0	96.8 95.3 99.3 96.9 96.4 97.8 96.3 97.5		Tested 1988 370 127 280 195 833 741 949 325
Alexander County A'leghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County	93.3 93.0 92.2 92.7 89.5 82.9 89.6 96.1	90.8 91.1 97.0 95.2 92.4 93.6 91.6 98.0	96.8 95.3 99.3 96.9 96.4 97.8 96.3 97.5		Tested 1988 370 127 280 195 833 741 949 325
Alexander County A'leghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davic County Iredell County Mooresville City Statesville City	93.3 93.0 92.2 92.7 89.5 82.9 89.6 96.1 90.2 86.0 88.1 93.4	90.8 91.1 97.0 95.2 92.4 93.6 91.6 98.0 95.9 92.9 92.5 92.2	96.8 95.3 99.3 96.9 96.4 97.8 96.3 97.5		Tested 1988 370 127 280 195 833 741 949 325 160 339 747 173
Alexander County A'leghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County Mooresville City Statesville City Surry County	93.3 93.0 92.2 92.7 89.5 82.9 89.6 96.1 90.2 86.0 88.1 93.4	90.8 91.1 97.0 95.2 92.4 93.6 91.6 98.0 95.9 92.9 92.5 92.5 92.2	96.8 95.3 99.3 96.9 96.4 97.8 96.3 97.5 95.0 92.6 95.9 95.4		Tested 1988 370 127 280 195 833 741 949 325 160 339 747 173
Alexander County A'leghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County Mooresville City Statesville City Surry County Elkin City	93.3 93.0 92.2 92.7 89.5 82.9 89.6 96.1 90.2 86.0 88.1 93.4 87.0 83.3 92.1	90.8 91.1 97.0 95.2 92.4 93.6 91.6 98.0 95.9 92.9 92.5 92.2 88.5 95.7 93.1	1988 96.8 95.3 99.3 96.9 96.4 97.8 96.3 97.5 95.0 92.6 95.9 95.4		Tested 1988 370 127 280 195 833 741 949 325 160 339 747 173
Alexander County A'leghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County Mooresville City Statesville City Surry County	93.3 93.0 92.2 92.7 89.5 82.9 89.6 96.1 90.2 86.0 88.1 93.4	90.8 91.1 97.0 95.2 92.4 93.6 91.6 98.0 95.9 92.9 92.5 92.5 92.2	96.8 95.3 99.3 96.9 96.4 97.8 96.3 97.5 95.0 92.6 95.9 95.4		Tested 1988 370 127 280 195 833 741 949 325 160 339 747 173
Alexander County A'leghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County Mooresville City Statesville City Surry County Elkin City Mount Airy City Watauga County	93.3 93.0 92.2 92.7 89.5 82.9 89.6 96.1 90.2 86.0 88.1 93.4 87.0 83.3 92.1 85.3	90.8 91.1 97.0 95.2 92.4 93.6 91.6 98.0 95.9 92.9 92.5 92.2 88.5 95.7 93.1 94.9	96.8 95.3 99.3 96.9 96.4 97.8 96.3 97.5 95.0 92.6 95.9 95.4		Tested 1988 370 127 280 195 833 741 949 325 160 339 747 173 217 549 86
Alexander County A'leghany County Ashe County Avery County Burke County Caldwell County Catawba County Hickory City Newton City Davie County Iredell County Mooresville City Statesville City Surry County Elkin City Mount Airy City	93.3 93.0 92.2 92.7 89.5 82.9 89.6 96.1 90.2 86.0 88.1 93.4 87.0 83.3 92.1 85.3	90.8 91.1 97.0 95.2 92.4 93.6 91.6 98.0 95.9 92.9 92.5 92.2 88.5 95.7 93.1 94.9	96.8 95.3 99.3 96.9 96.4 97.8 96.3 97.5 95.0 92.6 95.9 95.4		Tested 1988 370 127 280 195 833 741 949 325 160 339 747 173 217 549 86 107



WESTERN REGION

	PERCENTAGE OF	FIRST-TIME	SOPHOMORES PA	SSING OBJECTIVE TEST	Number
SCHOOL SYSTEM	1 1986	1987	1938		Tested 1988
Buncombe County	88.8	88.6	89.4		1560
Asheville City	86.2	84.2	85.5		262
Cherokee County	88.3	84.7	89.7		262
Clay County	88.2	86.3	83.9		87
Graham County	74.8	85.7	69.9		93
Haywood County	86.6	90.4	85.3		580
Henderson County	88.6	88.8	87.9		580
Hendersonville City	86.0	94.3	94.1		118
Jackson County	88.9	90.2	88.6		272
Macon County	88.6	90.5	90.0		220
Madison County	78.7	81.6	79.9		164
McDowell County	89.3	86.9	86.9		495
Mitchell County	81.3	82.9	82.1		145
Polk County	88.9	77.8	80.3		76
Tryon City	91.2	89.1	80.0		60
Rutherford County	85.1	86.6	82.5		701
Swain County	31.4	91.7	89.9		119
Transylvania County	92.5	93.6	94.8		308
Yancey County	86.5	90.7	87.6		185
	PERCENTAG	E OF FIRST-	TIME SOPHOMOR	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Number
	PERCENTAG	E OF FIRST-	гіме sophomor	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Number
SCHOOL SYSTEM		E OF FIRST-	TIME SOPHOMOR	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Number Tested 1988
	1 1986	1987	1988	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988
Buncombe County	1 1986 88.1	1987 88.1	1988 94.9	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988 1558
Buncombe County Asheville City	1 1986 88.1 88.7	1987 88.1 89.8	1988 94.9 94.3	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988 1558 261
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County	1 1986 88.1 88.7 86.4	1987 88.1 89.8 95.1	1988 94.9 94.3 95.0	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988 1558 261 259
Buncombe County Asheville City	1 1986 88.1 88.7	1987 88.1 89.8	1988 94.9 94.3	ES PASSING <u>ESSAY TEST</u>	Tested 1988 1558 261
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County	88.1 88.7 86.4 78.3	1987 88.1 89.8 95.1 84.5	1988 94.9 94.3 95.0 83.9	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988 1558 261 259
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County	88.1 88.7 86.4 78.3 82.5 87.0	1987 88.1 89.8 95.1 84.5	1988 94.9 94.3 95.0 83.9	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988 1558 261 259 87
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County	88.1 88.7 86.4 78.3	1987 88.1 89.8 95.1 84.5	1988 94.9 94.3 95.0 83.9	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988 1558 261 259 87
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County	88.1 88.7 86.4 78.3 82.5 87.0	1987 88.1 89.8 95.1 84.5	1988 94.9 94.3 95.0 83.9	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988 1558 261 259 87 94 579
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Hendersonville City Jackson County	88.1 88.7 86.4 78.3 82.5 87.0 87.1	1987 88.1 89.8 95.1 84.5 93.9 91.9 93.7	1988 94.9 94.3 95.0 83.9 81.9 92.7 95.5	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988 1558 261 259 87 94 579
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Hendersonville City Jackson County	88.1 88.7 86.4 78.3 82.5 87.0 87.1 89.5	1987 88.1 89.8 95.1 84.5 93.9 91.9 93.7 99.3	1988 94.9 94.3 95.0 83.9 81.9 92.7 95.5 97.5	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988 1558 261 259 87 94 579 , 581 118
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Hendersonville City Jackson County Macon County	88.1 88.7 86.4 78.3 82.5 87.0 87.1 89.5	1987 88.1 89.8 95.1 84.5 93.9 91.9 93.7 99.3 89.7 96.1	1988 94.9 94.3 95.0 83.9 81.9 92.7 95.5 97.5	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988 1558 261 259 87 94 579 581 118
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Hendersonville City Jackson County	88.1 88.7 86.4 78.3 82.5 87.0 87.1 89.5	1987 88.1 89.8 95.1 84.5 93.9 91.9 93.7 99.3	1988 94.9 94.3 95.0 83.9 81.9 92.7 95.5 97.5	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988 1558 261 259 87 94 579 , 581 118
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Hendersonville City Jackson County Macon County Madison County McDowell County	1 1986 88.1 88.7 86.4 78.3 82.5 87.0 87.1 89.5 87.9 89.9 80.3 88.7	1987 88.1 89.8 95.1 84.5 93.9 91.9 93.7 99.3 89.7 96.1 86.7 89.3	1988 94.9 94.3 95.0 83.9 81.9 92.7 95.5 97.5 94.9 94.6 88.4 96.2	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988 1558 261 259 87 94 579 581 118 272 221 164 494
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Hendersonville City Jackson County Macon County Madison County McDowell County Mitchell County	1 1986 88.1 88.7 86.4 78.3 82.5 87.0 87.1 89.5 87.9 89.9 80.3 88.7	1987 88.1 89.8 95.1 84.5 93.9 91.9 93.7 99.3 89.7 96.1 86.7 89.3	1988 94.9 94.3 95.0 83.9 81.9 92.7 95.5 97.5 94.9 94.6 88.4 96.2	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988 1558 261 259 87 94 579 581 118 272 221 164 494
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Hendersonville City Jackson County Macon County Madison County McDowell County Mitchell County Polk County	1 1986 88.1 88.7 86.4 78.3 82.5 87.0 87.1 89.5 87.9 89.9 80.3 88.7	1987 88.1 89.8 95.1 84.5 93.9 91.9 93.7 99.3 89.7 96.1 86.7 89.3 91.2 93.2	1988 94.9 94.3 95.0 83.9 81.9 92.7 95.5 97.5 94.9 94.6 88.4 96.2	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988 1558 261 259 87 94 579 581 118 272 221 164 494
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Hendersonville City Jackson County Macon County Madison County McDowell County Mitchell County	1 1986 88.1 88.7 86.4 78.3 82.5 87.0 87.1 89.5 87.9 89.9 80.3 88.7	1987 88.1 89.8 95.1 84.5 93.9 91.9 93.7 99.3 89.7 96.1 86.7 89.3	1988 94.9 94.3 95.0 83.9 81.9 92.7 95.5 97.5 94.9 94.6 88.4 96.2	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988 1558 261 259 87 94 579 581 118 272 221 164 494
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Henderson County Macon County Macon County Madison County McDowell County Mitchell County Polk County Tryon City Rutherford County	1 1986 88.1 88.7 86.4 78.3 82.5 87.0 87.1 89.5 87.9 89.9 80.3 88.7 90.1 91.1 96.5 84.3	1987 88.1 89.8 95.1 84.5 93.9 91.9 93.7 99.3 89.7 96.1 86.7 89.3 91.2 93.2 97.8 88.0	1988 94.9 94.3 95.0 83.9 81.9 92.7 95.5 97.5 94.6 88.4 96.2 91.7 89.5 98.3 93.3	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988 1558 261 259 87 94 579 581 118 272 221 164 494
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Hendersonville City Jackson County Macon County Madison County McDowell County Mitchell County Polk County Tryon City Rutherford County	1 1986 88.1 88.7 86.4 78.3 82.5 87.0 87.1 89.5 87.9 89.9 80.3 88.7 90.1 91.1 96.5 84.3	1987 88.1 89.8 95.1 84.5 93.9 91.9 93.7 99.3 89.7 96.1 86.7 89.3 91.2 93.2 97.8 88.0	1988 94.9 94.3 95.0 83.9 81.9 92.7 95.5 97.5 94.9 94.6 88.4 96.2 91.7 89.5 98.3 93.3	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988 1558 261 259 87 94 579 581 118 272 221 164 494 145 76 60 700
Buncombe County Asheville City Cherokee County Clay County Graham County Haywood County Henderson County Henderson County Macon County Macon County Madison County McDowell County Mitchell County Polk County Tryon City Rutherford County	1 1986 88.1 88.7 86.4 78.3 82.5 87.0 87.1 89.5 87.9 89.9 80.3 88.7 90.1 91.1 96.5 84.3	1987 88.1 89.8 95.1 84.5 93.9 91.9 93.7 99.3 89.7 96.1 86.7 89.3 91.2 93.2 97.8 88.0	1988 94.9 94.3 95.0 83.9 81.9 92.7 95.5 97.5 94.6 88.4 96.2 91.7 89.5 98.3 93.3	ES PASSING ESSAY TEST	Tested 1988 1558 261 259 87 94 579 581 118 272 221 164 494

