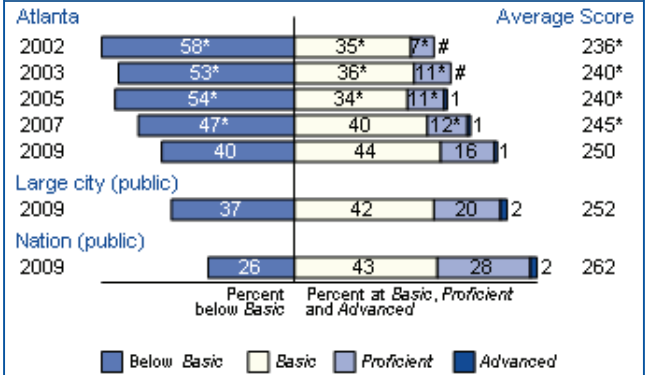


**Overall Results**

- In 2009, the average score of eighth-grade students in Atlanta was 250. This was not significantly different from the average score of 252 for public school students in large cities.
- The average score for students in Atlanta in 2009 (250) was higher than their average score in 2007 (245) and was higher than their average score in 2002 (236).
- In 2009, the score gap between students in Atlanta at the 75th percentile and students at the 25th percentile was 43 points. This performance gap was not significantly different from that of 2002 (45 points).
- The percentage of students in Atlanta who performed at or above the NAEP *Proficient* level was 17 percent in 2009. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2007 (13 percent) and was greater than that in 2002 (8 percent).
- The percentage of students in Atlanta who performed at or above the NAEP *Basic* level was 60 percent in 2009. This percentage was greater than that in 2007 (53 percent) and was greater than that in 2002 (42 percent).

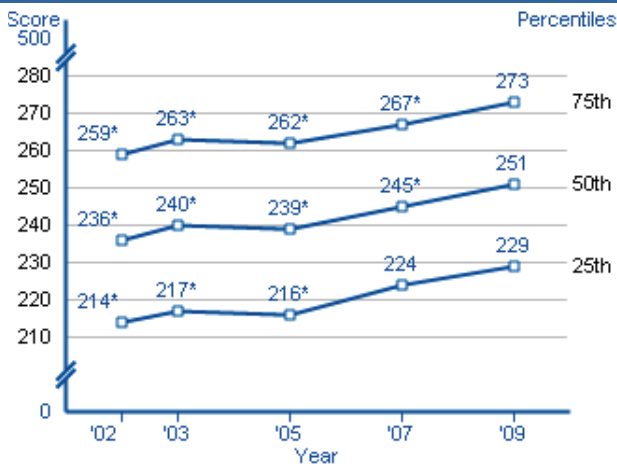
**Achievement-Level Percentages and Average Score Results**



\* Significantly different ( $p < .05$ ) from district's results in 2009.  
# Rounds to zero.

NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals because of rounding. Large cities are located in the urbanized areas of cities with populations of 250,000 or more.

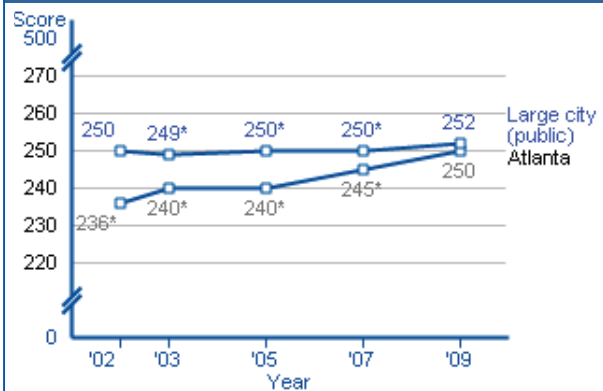
**Scores at Selected Percentiles**



\* Significantly different ( $p < .05$ ) from 2009.

NOTE: Scores at selected percentiles on the NAEP reading scale indicate how well students at lower, middle, and higher levels performed.

**Average Scores for District and Large Cities**



\* Significantly different ( $p < .05$ ) from 2009.

**Results for Student Groups in 2009**

Reporting Groups	Percent of students	Avg. score	Percentages at or above		Percent at Advanced
			Basic	Proficient	
Gender					
Male	50	244	54	12	1
Female	50	255	67	22	1
Race/Ethnicity					
White	7	292	98	70	9
Black	89	246	57	12	#
Hispanic	3	‡	‡	‡	‡
Asian/Pacific Islander	#	‡	‡	‡	‡
American Indian/Alaska Native	#	‡	‡	‡	‡
National School Lunch Program					
Eligible	78	244	54	10	#
Not eligible	21	273	84	42	3

# Rounds to zero.

‡ Reporting standards not met.

NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals because of rounding, and because the "Information not available" category for the National School Lunch Program, which provides free/reduced-price lunches, and the "Unclassified" category for race/ethnicity are not displayed.

**Score Gaps for Student Groups**

- In 2009, female students in Atlanta had an average score that was higher than that of male students.
- In 2009, Black students had an average score that was 46 points lower than that of White students. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 2002 (41 points).
- Data are not reported for Hispanic students in 2009, because reporting standards were not met.
- In 2009, students who were eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch, an indicator of low income, had an average score that was 29 points lower than that of students who were not eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch. This performance gap was wider than that in 2002 (11 points).

NOTE: Statistical comparisons are calculated on the basis of unrounded scale scores or percentages.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences, National Center for Education Statistics, National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), various years, 2002=2009 Reading Assessments.