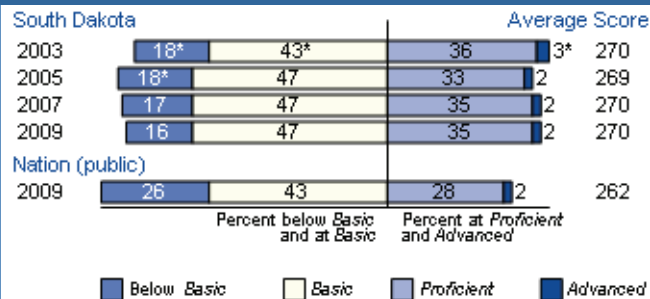


Overall Results

- In 2009, the average score of eighth-grade students in South Dakota was 270. This was higher than the average score of 262 for public school students in the nation.
- The average score for students in South Dakota in 2009 (270) was not significantly different from their average score in 2007 (270) and was not significantly different from their average score in 2003 (270).
- In 2009, the score gap between students in South Dakota at the 75th percentile and students at the 25th percentile was 36 points. This performance gap was narrower than that of 2003 (41 points).
- The percentage of students in South Dakota who performed at or above the NAEP *Proficient* level was 37 percent in 2009. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2007 (37 percent) and was not significantly different from that in 2003 (39 percent).
- The percentage of students in South Dakota who performed at or above the NAEP *Basic* level was 84 percent in 2009. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2007 (83 percent) and was greater than that in 2003 (82 percent).

Achievement-Level Percentages and Average Score Results



* Significantly different ($p < .05$) from state's results in 2009.

NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals because of rounding.

Compare the Average Score in 2009 to Other States/Jurisdictions

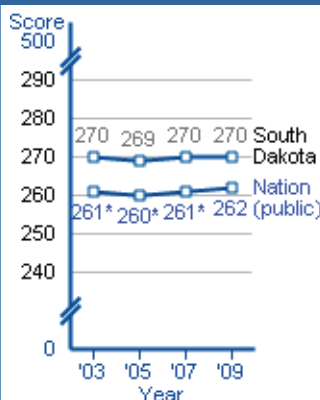


* Department of Defense Education Activity schools (domestic and overseas).

In 2009, the average score in **South Dakota** was

- lower than those in 3 states/jurisdictions
- higher than those in 39 states/jurisdictions
- not significantly different from those in 9 states/jurisdictions

Average Scores for State/Jurisdiction and Nation (public)



* 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	51	266	81	30	1
Female	49	275	88	44	3
Race/Ethnicity					
White	84	273	88	40	2
Black	2	‡	‡	‡	‡
Hispanic	2	‡	‡	‡	‡
Asian/Pacific Islander	1	‡	‡	‡	‡
American Indian/Alaska Native	11	248	60	16	1
National School Lunch Program					
Eligible	31	258	72	22	1
Not eligible	69	276	90	44	2

‡ 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 South Dakota had an average score that was higher than that of male students.
- Data are not reported for Black students in 2009, because reporting standards were not met.
- 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 18 points lower than that of students who were not eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 2003 (13 points).

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