

Overall Results

- In 2013, the average score of eighth-grade students in South Dakota was 287. This was higher than the average score of 284 for public school students in the nation.
- The average score for students in South Dakota in 2013 (287) was lower than their average score in 2011 (291) and was higher than their average score in 2003 (285).
- The score gap between higher performing students in South Dakota (those at the 75th percentile) and lower performing students (those at the 25th percentile) was 44 points in 2013. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 2003 (41 points).
- The percentage of students in South Dakota who performed at or above the NAEP *Proficient* level was 38 percent in 2013. This percentage was smaller than that in 2011 (42 percent) and was greater than that in 2003 (35 percent).
- The percentage of students in South Dakota who performed at or above the NAEP *Basic* level was 79 percent in 2013. This percentage was smaller than that in 2011 (82 percent) and was not significantly different from that in 2003 (78 percent).

Achievement-Level Percentages and Average Score Results

Year	Below Basic	Basic	Proficient	Advanced	Average Score
South Dakota					
2003	22	43	30	5*	285*
2005	20	44*	30	6	287
2007	19	42	32	7	288
2009	17*	41	34*	7	291*
2011	18*	40	33	8	291*
2013	21	40	31	7	287
Nation (public)					
2013	27	39	26	8	284

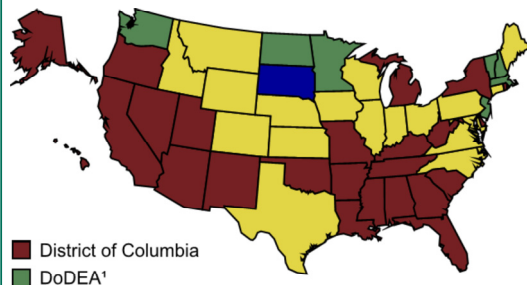
Percent below *Basic* or at *Basic* Percent at *Proficient* or *Advanced*

■ Below Basic □ Basic ■ Proficient ■ Advanced

* Significantly different ($p < .05$) from state's results in 2013. Significance tests were performed using unrounded numbers.

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

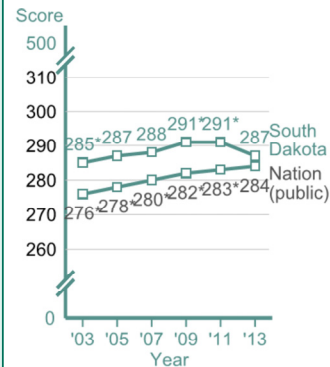
Compare the Average Score in 2013 to Other States/Jurisdictions



¹ Department of Defense Education Activity (overseas and domestic schools).

- In 2013, the average score in **South Dakota** (287) was
- lower than those in 8 states/jurisdictions
 - higher than those in 25 states/jurisdictions
 - not significantly different from those in 18 states/jurisdictions

Average Scores for State/Jurisdiction and Nation (public)



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Results for Student Groups in 2013

Reporting Groups	Percent of students	Avg. score	Percentages at or above		Percent at Advanced
			Basic	Proficient	
Race/Ethnicity					
White	79	294	86	45	9
Black	2	254	45	10	#
Hispanic	3	274	66	27	5
Asian	2	‡	‡	‡	‡
American Indian/Alaska Native	12	260	48	10	1
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	#	‡	‡	‡	‡
Two or more races	1	‡	‡	‡	‡
Gender					
Male	51	288	79	39	8
Female	49	287	78	38	7
National School Lunch Program					
Eligible	36	271	62	22	3
Not eligible	64	297	88	48	10

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, is not displayed. Black includes African American and Hispanic includes Latino. Race categories exclude Hispanic origin.

Score Gaps for Student Groups

- In 2013, Black students had an average score that was 39 points lower than White students. Data are not reported for Black students in 2003, because reporting standards were not met.
- In 2013, Hispanic students had an average score that was 19 points lower than White students. Data are not reported for Hispanic students in 2003, because reporting standards were not met.
- In 2013, male students in South Dakota had an average score that was not significantly different from female students.
- In 2013, students who were eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch, an indicator of low family income, had an average score that was 26 points lower than students who were not eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch. This performance gap was wider than that in 2003 (19 points).