

# PSAT/NMSQT®

2014-2015 COLLEGE-BOUND  
HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS

## SUMMARY REPORT

Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test

## NEW MEXICO

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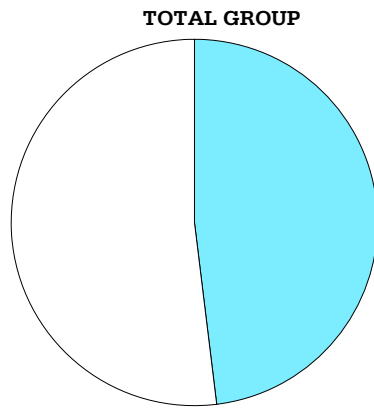


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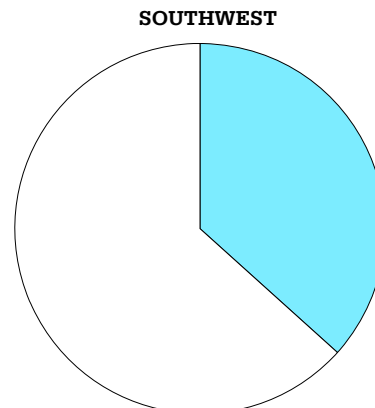
**FIGURE 1: ON TRACK TO BE COLLEGE AND CAREER READY**

The PSAT/NMSQT College Readiness Benchmark represents the score that a student should meet or exceed to be considered on track to be college ready (for more information about benchmarks, check out [www.collegeboard.org/results](http://www.collegeboard.org/results)). The pie charts below show the percentage of students in the nation, your region, and your state who have met the PSAT/NMSQT composite score benchmark (142 for juniors and 133 for sophomores).

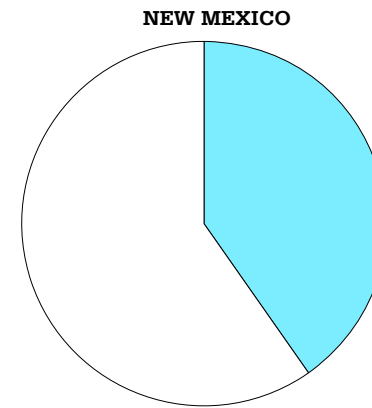
Use this information in combination with the optional Student Data File CD to identify students who may need extra support or who may be ready for more rigorous course work. In addition, PSAT/NMSQT Summary of Answers and Skills (SOAS) reports can help you target skills to improve with aggregate skills feedback.



**College Ready 48.0 %**  
**Total Students 1,595,486**



**College Ready 36.7 %**  
**Total Students 249,523**



**College Ready 40.2 %**  
**Total Students 6,046**

**TABLE 1: NUMBER OF JUNIORS TAKING THE PSAT/NMSQT®**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		NEW MEXICO	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Male	750,929	47.2	120,305	48.3	2,755	45.6
Female	839,350	52.8	128,524	51.7	3,284	54.4
No Response	5,207		694		7	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,595,486</b>		<b>249,523</b>		<b>6,046</b>	

**TABLE 2: ETHNIC BACKGROUND**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		NEW MEXICO	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
American Indian or Alaska Native	12,145	0.8	3,593	1.5	569	9.9
Asian, Asian American, or Pacific Islander	144,275	9.5	14,683	6.1	194	3.4
Black or African American	181,712	12.0	29,039	12.0	103	1.8
Hispanic, Latino, or Latin American	311,728	20.5	98,663	40.9	2,795	48.6
White	811,645	53.5	90,152	37.3	1,964	34.2
Other	56,542	3.7	5,294	2.2	122	2.1
No Response	77,439		8,099		299	

**TABLE 3: PARTICIPATING IN STUDENT SEARCH SERVICE®**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		NEW MEXICO	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	1,374,684	86.2	220,776	88.5	5,467	90.4
No	220,802	13.8	28,747	11.5	579	9.6

**TABLE 4: SELF-REPORTED GRADE AVERAGE**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		NEW MEXICO	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
A+ (97-100)	72,120	4.9	11,033	4.7	249	4.3
A (93-96)	324,984	21.9	43,700	18.7	1,324	22.9
A- (90-92)	316,047	21.3	47,319	20.3	1,068	18.5
B+ (87-89)	266,041	17.9	46,591	19.9	879	15.2
B (83-86)	242,019	16.3	41,087	17.6	916	15.8
B- (80-82)	119,934	8.1	23,246	10.0	480	8.3
C+ (77-79)	78,252	5.3	12,698	5.4	406	7.0
C (73-76)	44,148	3.0	5,357	2.3	292	5.1
C- (70-72)	14,436	1.0	1,918	0.8	104	1.8
D+ (67-69)	4,553	0.3	316	0.1	35	0.6
D (65-66)	2,330	0.2	160	0.1	18	0.3
E or F (Below 65)	1,068	0.1	132	0.1	9	0.2
No Response	109,554		15,966		266	

**TABLE 5: YEAR COMPLETING HIGH SCHOOL AND ENTERING COLLEGE**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		NEW MEXICO	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2015	10,077	0.6	3,081	1.3	70	1.2
2016	1,529,666	97.6	236,090	96.4	5,704	95.8
2017	13,401	0.9	2,792	1.1	105	1.8
After 2017	4,382	0.3	892	0.4	27	0.5
Not Planning College	9,240	0.6	1,980	0.8	50	0.8
No Response	28,720		4,688		90	

**TABLE 6: PSAT/NMSQT® SCORES - CRITICAL READING**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		NEW MEXICO	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	12,269	0.8	1,237	0.5	34	0.6
70-74	40,435	2.5	3,970	1.6	121	2.0
65-69	50,059	3.1	5,275	2.1	194	3.2
60-64	132,960	8.3	14,866	6.0	480	7.9
55-59	151,282	9.5	17,113	6.9	487	8.1
50-54	262,519	16.5	33,035	13.2	863	14.3
45-49	241,246	15.1	33,595	13.5	762	12.6
40-44	277,848	17.4	47,980	19.2	1,070	17.7
35-39	205,506	12.9	41,877	16.8	902	14.9
30-34	123,731	7.8	28,139	11.3	573	9.5
25-29	65,274	4.1	14,949	6.0	373	6.2
20-24	32,357	2.0	7,487	3.0	187	3.1
TOTAL	1,595,486		249,523		6,046	
Mean Score	46.9		44.0		45.3	
STD. DEV.	11.3		11.1		11.8	

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**MATHEMATICS**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		NEW MEXICO	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	27,200	1.7	2,529	1.0	58	1.0
70-74	39,427	2.5	3,585	1.4	94	1.6
65-69	99,827	6.3	10,475	4.2	281	4.6
60-64	117,266	7.3	12,295	4.9	391	6.5
55-59	190,357	11.9	23,678	9.5	603	10.0
50-54	238,624	15.0	33,525	13.4	848	14.0
45-49	300,608	18.8	49,546	19.9	1,139	18.8
40-44	206,440	12.9	39,273	15.7	878	14.5
35-39	205,350	12.9	41,573	16.7	957	15.8
30-34	92,785	5.8	18,338	7.3	412	6.8
25-29	52,906	3.3	10,320	4.1	249	4.1
20-24	24,696	1.5	4,386	1.8	136	2.2
TOTAL	1,595,486		249,523		6,046	
Mean Score	48.6		46.1		46.6	
STD. DEV.	11.8		11.2		11.5	

**WRITING SKILLS**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		NEW MEXICO	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	14,474	0.9	1,471	0.6	21	0.3
70-74	30,945	1.9	3,753	1.5	102	1.7
65-69	58,912	3.7	5,976	2.4	147	2.4
60-64	80,202	5.0	9,053	3.6	235	3.9
55-59	164,768	10.3	19,402	7.8	533	8.8
50-54	180,999	11.3	22,520	9.0	592	9.8
45-49	277,129	17.4	38,806	15.6	902	14.9
40-44	258,258	16.2	41,338	16.6	913	15.1
35-39	258,214	16.2	48,740	19.5	1,116	18.5
30-34	133,110	8.3	28,233	11.3	681	11.3
25-29	75,906	4.8	17,019	6.8	441	7.3
20-24	62,569	3.9	13,212	5.3	363	6.0
TOTAL	1,595,486		249,523		6,046	
Mean Score	45.3		42.7		42.8	
STD. DEV.	11.8		11.6		11.9	

**TABLE 6: PSAT/NMSQT® SCORES - MALE - CRITICAL READING**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		NEW MEXICO	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	6,317	0.8	665	0.6	20	0.7
70-74	21,196	2.8	2,201	1.8	72	2.6
65-69	25,304	3.4	2,785	2.3	94	3.4
60-64	63,762	8.5	7,453	6.2	217	7.9
55-59	69,523	9.3	8,097	6.7	240	8.7
50-54	117,103	15.6	15,080	12.5	362	13.1
45-49	107,379	14.3	15,343	12.8	335	12.2
40-44	125,592	16.7	22,089	18.4	452	16.4
35-39	96,906	12.9	19,761	16.4	384	13.9
30-34	63,366	8.4	14,401	12.0	276	10.0
25-29	35,911	4.8	8,129	6.8	207	7.5
20-24	18,570	2.5	4,301	3.6	96	3.5
TOTAL	750,929		120,305		2,755	
Mean Score	46.7		43.8		45.3	
STD. DEV.	11.8		11.6		12.4	

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**MALE - MATHEMATICS**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		NEW MEXICO	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	17,909	2.4	1,684	1.4	35	1.3
70-74	24,544	3.3	2,339	1.9	51	1.9
65-69	58,730	7.8	6,328	5.3	167	6.1
60-64	63,734	8.5	6,969	5.8	225	8.2
55-59	95,622	12.7	12,796	10.6	308	11.2
50-54	110,359	14.7	16,583	13.8	396	14.4
45-49	129,882	17.3	22,627	18.8	450	16.3
40-44	85,201	11.3	17,018	14.1	358	13.0
35-39	85,862	11.4	18,072	15.0	395	14.3
30-34	41,404	5.5	8,426	7.0	180	6.5
25-29	25,099	3.3	5,096	4.2	125	4.5
20-24	12,583	1.7	2,367	2.0	65	2.4
TOTAL	750,929		120,305		2,755	
Mean Score	49.8		47.0		47.7	
STD. DEV.	12.4		11.8		12.2	

**MALE - WRITING SKILLS**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		NEW MEXICO	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	6,479	0.9	692	0.6	8	0.3
70-74	13,265	1.8	1,643	1.4	41	1.5
65-69	25,009	3.3	2,632	2.2	76	2.8
60-64	34,324	4.6	3,871	3.2	97	3.5
55-59	71,197	9.5	8,594	7.1	233	8.5
50-54	79,747	10.6	10,084	8.4	248	9.0
45-49	125,954	16.8	17,851	14.8	380	13.8
40-44	120,231	16.0	19,246	16.0	415	15.1
35-39	125,467	16.7	23,686	19.7	499	18.1
30-34	69,329	9.2	14,644	12.2	322	11.7
25-29	42,639	5.7	9,600	8.0	228	8.3
20-24	37,288	5.0	7,762	6.5	208	7.5
TOTAL	750,929		120,305		2,755	
Mean Score	44.4		41.9		42.0	
STD. DEV.	12.0		11.7		12.1	



**TABLE 6: PSAT/NMSQT® SCORES - FEMALE - CRITICAL READING**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		NEW MEXICO	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	5,939	0.7	570	0.4	14	0.4
70-74	19,179	2.3	1,765	1.4	49	1.5
65-69	24,680	2.9	2,484	1.9	100	3.0
60-64	68,995	8.2	7,398	5.8	263	8.0
55-59	81,466	9.7	8,991	7.0	247	7.5
50-54	144,823	17.3	17,908	13.9	501	15.3
45-49	133,262	15.9	18,190	14.2	427	13.0
40-44	151,249	18.0	25,759	20.0	616	18.8
35-39	107,685	12.8	21,981	17.1	517	15.7
30-34	59,661	7.1	13,615	10.6	295	9.0
25-29	28,896	3.4	6,727	5.2	165	5.0
20-24	13,515	1.6	3,136	2.4	90	2.7
TOTAL	839,350		128,524		3,284	
Mean Score	47.2		44.3		45.4	
STD. DEV.	10.9		10.7		11.3	

**FEMALE - MATHEMATICS**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		NEW MEXICO	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	9,262	1.1	842	0.7	23	0.7
70-74	14,848	1.8	1,243	1.0	43	1.3
65-69	40,965	4.9	4,138	3.2	114	3.5
60-64	53,359	6.4	5,312	4.1	166	5.1
55-59	94,379	11.2	10,858	8.4	294	9.0
50-54	127,719	15.2	16,898	13.1	451	13.7
45-49	169,815	20.2	26,812	20.9	688	21.0
40-44	120,438	14.3	22,128	17.2	519	15.8
35-39	118,531	14.1	23,346	18.2	561	17.1
30-34	50,749	6.0	9,795	7.6	230	7.0
25-29	27,391	3.3	5,166	4.0	124	3.8
20-24	11,894	1.4	1,986	1.5	71	2.2
TOTAL	839,350		128,524		3,284	
Mean Score	47.6		45.2		45.7	
STD. DEV.	11.2		10.5		10.9	

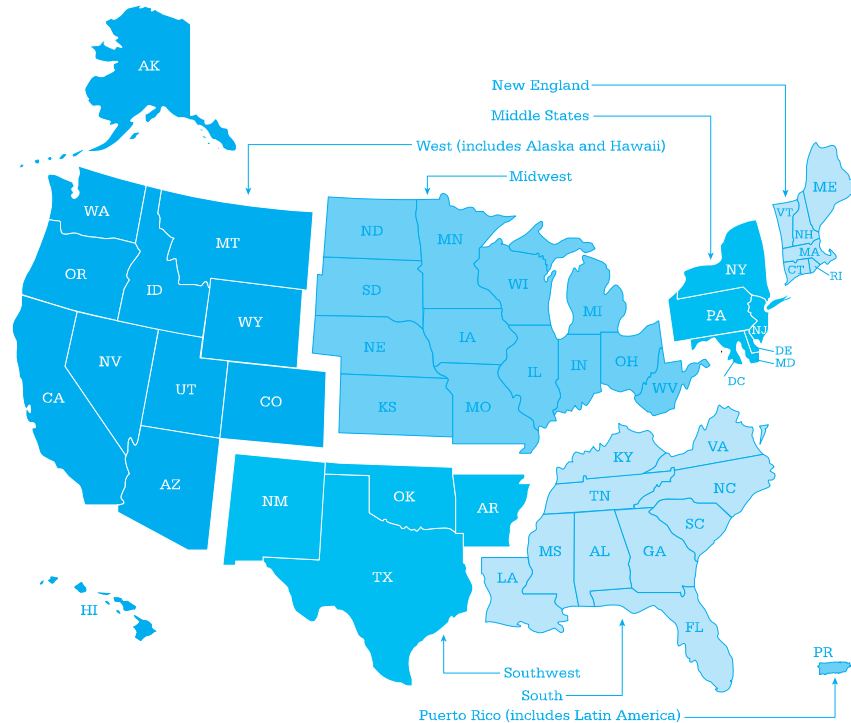
**FEMALE - WRITING SKILLS**

	TOTAL GROUP		SOUTHWEST		NEW MEXICO	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	7,982	1.0	778	0.6	13	0.4
70-74	17,655	2.1	2,107	1.6	61	1.9
65-69	33,832	4.0	3,337	2.6	71	2.2
60-64	45,764	5.5	5,174	4.0	138	4.2
55-59	93,261	11.1	10,786	8.4	300	9.1
50-54	100,894	12.0	12,406	9.7	344	10.5
45-49	150,475	17.9	20,890	16.3	521	15.9
40-44	137,187	16.3	21,993	17.1	497	15.1
35-39	131,705	15.7	24,892	19.4	617	18.8
30-34	63,051	7.5	13,467	10.5	356	10.8
25-29	32,766	3.9	7,331	5.7	213	6.5
20-24	24,778	3.0	5,363	4.2	153	4.7
TOTAL	839,350		128,524		3,284	
Mean Score	46.2		43.6		43.4	
STD. DEV.	11.6		11.4		11.6	

**TABLE 7: COLLEGE MAJOR**

	TOTAL GROUP			SOUTHWEST			NEW MEXICO		
	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %
Agriculture Sciences	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.9	1.6	2.1	1.4	1.3	1.4
Architecture	1.3	1.9	0.8	1.7	2.6	0.8	1.6	2.4	1.0
Area/Ethnic/Cultural Studies	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.2
Biological Sciences	5.5	4.3	6.5	4.3	3.3	5.1	5.6	3.3	7.4
Business Management	9.7	12.0	7.7	8.8	10.1	7.5	6.0	6.9	5.3
Communication & Journalism	1.8	1.4	2.3	1.5	1.1	1.9	1.2	0.9	1.4
Computer/Information Science	2.9	5.4	0.7	2.5	4.7	0.6	2.2	3.9	0.8
Education	3.2	1.0	5.1	3.3	1.0	5.3	2.2	0.6	3.5
Engineering	11.3	20.0	3.9	13.5	23.8	4.1	14.2	25.2	5.2
Engineering Technologies	1.3	2.3	0.3	1.3	2.5	0.3	1.7	3.3	0.4
English Language & Literature	1.1	0.5	1.5	0.8	0.4	1.1	1.0	0.5	1.4
Family/Consumer Sciences	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.5
Foreign Languages	0.5	0.3	0.7	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.7
Health Professions/Sciences	19.2	10.3	27.0	21.5	10.8	31.2	22.2	11.8	30.6
History	0.7	0.9	0.4	0.5	0.8	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.5
Legal Professions & Studies	2.0	1.7	2.2	1.8	1.5	2.1	2.3	2.0	2.5
Liberal Arts & Humanities	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4
Mathematics & Statistics	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.6
Military Technologies	0.6	1.0	0.2	0.7	1.3	0.3	1.0	1.8	0.3
Multi/Interdisciplinary	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.4	1.0
Natural Resources	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.4
Parks, Leisure & Fitness Studies	0.8	1.4	0.3	0.9	1.4	0.3	0.5	0.9	0.2
Personal & Culinary Services	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.6
Philosophy/Religious Studies	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Physical Sciences	1.4	1.9	1.0	1.1	1.5	0.8	1.7	2.5	1.1
Psychology	4.0	1.8	5.9	3.7	1.7	5.5	3.3	1.6	4.6
Social Service Professions	0.5	0.1	0.8	0.4	0.1	0.7	0.3	0.2	0.4
Security/Protective Services	4.2	4.5	3.9	5.2	5.5	4.9	4.8	5.1	4.6
Social Sciences	2.0	1.6	2.4	1.4	1.0	1.7	1.9	1.2	2.5
Theology/Religious Vocations	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2
Visual & Performing Arts	8.1	6.8	9.2	9.0	8.1	9.8	7.8	7.0	8.4
Other	2.7	2.9	2.5	3.1	3.3	2.8	3.2	3.4	3.0
Undecided	10.9	11.8	10.2	7.8	8.8	6.9	9.4	9.9	8.9
NUMBER RESPONDING	1,458,790			233,619			5,710		

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