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Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate Examination Results in Texas Public Schools, 2021-22

This report presents Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) examination participation and performance results for students in Texas public schools. AP and IB examination results are used by colleges and universities to make class placement decisions and to award college credit to incoming students who meet qualifying standards on the examinations.

AP and IB examination results for Texas public school students are also used in the public school accountability system in evaluating the performance of districts and campuses in the assignment of rating labels and in awarding distinction designations, which recognize school districts and campuses for outstanding achievement in specified academic areas (Texas Education Agency [TEA], 2023d; Texas Education Code Chapter 39, Subchapter G, 2022). In addition, AP and IB results are used in substituting for certain end-of-course assessments to meet graduation

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Advanced Placement

- In the 2021-22 school year, 171,388 Texas public school students in Grades 11 and 12 took 383,651 AP examinations (Table 10 on page 23). Among 11th- and 12th-grade students, 22.5 percent took at least one AP examination, an increase of 1.9 percentage points from the previous year. Of those AP examinees, 52.4 percent scored in the 3-5 range on at least one AP examination, an increase of 5.1 percentage points from the previous year.

- A total of 131,466 students in Grades 9 and 10 took 161,722 AP examinations (Table 11 on page 26). Among 9th- and 10th-grade students, 15.0 percent took at least one AP examination, an increase of 1.1 percentage points from the previous year. Of those AP examinees, 49.8 percent scored in the 3-5 range on at least one AP examination, an increase of 5.1 percentage points from the previous year.

- Of the 38 AP subject examinations taken by students in Grades 9-12, the five most frequently taken, in rank order, were: World History: Modern, English Language and Composition

Group	Students	Math examinees	Math participation rate (%)	Math examinees scoring at or above 3 (AP) or 4 (IB) (*N*)	Math examinees scoring at or above 3 (AP) or 4 (IB) (%)
Female	376,343	25,122	6.7	11,630	46.3
Male	385,157	27,746	7.2	15,019	54.1
State	761,500	52,870	6.9	26,649	50.4

Source. Primary data from College Board, IB, and Texas Education Agency (TEA).

Note. Examinees who took multiple examinations are counted only once. Sums of examinees by race/ethnicity, by economic status, or by gender may differ from one another or from the total of all examinees. During the COVID-19 pandemic, IB provided two assessment options for the 2021 examinations: an examination route and a non-examination route. For the 2022 examinations, IB strongly encouraged all schools to return to regular examination

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Group	Students	Social studies examinees	Social studies participation rate (%)	Social studies examinees scoring at or above 3 (AP) or 4 (IB) (*N*)	Social studies examinees scoring at or above 3 (AP) or 4 (IB) (%)
2020-21					
African American	93,430	6,368	6.8	1,577	24.8
American Indian	2,462	213	8.7	85	39.9
Asian	37,113	14,025	37.8	9,482	67.6
Hispanic	392,531	35,561	9.1	8,122	22.8
Pacific					

Results for Texas Public Schools: Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate Combined

Group	Students	Examinees	Participation rate (%)	Examinees scoring at or above 3 (AP) or 4 (IB) (*N*)	Examinees scoring at or above 3 (AP) or 4 (IB) (%)	Exams	Exams with scores at or above 3 (AP) or 4 (IB) (

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At-risk	360,990	37,655	10.4	11,723	31.1	69,311	16,502	23.8
Not at-risk	400,510	136,023	34.0	81,138	59.7	331,801	181,502	54.7
Dyslexia	32,925	3,106	9.4	1,170	37.7	5,685	1,948	34.3
Not dyslexia	728,575	170,572	23.4	91,691	53.8	395,427	196,056	49.6
EB/EL[a]	95,502	12,852	13.5	4,535	35.3	23,218	5,380	23.2
Not EB/EL	663,701	161,434	24.3	88,582	54.9	378,895	192,998	50.9
Foster care	1,273	69	5.4	25	36.2	130	33	25.4
Not foster care	757,930	174,217	23.0	93,092	5TQ2			

Group	Students	Students scoring at or above 3 (AP) or 4 (IB) (*N*)	Students scoring at or above 3 (AP) or 4 (IB) (%)
2017-18			
African American	90,417	4,488	5.0
American Indian	2,650	296	11.2
Asian	32,756	14,884	45.4

Results for Texas Public Schools: Advanced Placement

Group	Students	Examinees	Participation rate (%)	Examinees scoring 3-5 on exams (*N*)	Examinees scoring 3-5 on exams (%)	Exams	Exams with scores of 3-5 (*N*)	Exams with scores of 3-5 (%)
2017-18								
African American	90,417	14,941	16.5	4,222	28.3	29,560	7,589	25.7
American Indian	2,650	574	21.7	291	50.7	1,306	605	46.3
Asian	32,756	19,573	59.8	14,444	73.8	63,975	43,335	67.7
Hispanic	365,652	84,975	23.2	31,974	37.6	177,343	52,488	

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2019-20								
African American	91,409	11,676	12.8	4,557	39.0	22,666	7,941	35.0
American Indian	2,579	429	16.6	246	57.3	937	513	54.7
Asian	35,697	20,571	57.6	16,554	80.5	65,732	47,926	

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2017-18								
African American	104,682							

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Examination	Exams (*N*)

Examination	Exams (*N*)	Exams (%)	Scoring in 4-7 range (%)

Examination	Exams (*N*)	Exams (%)	Scoring in 4-7 range

Results for Texas Public Schools: Advanced Coursework

School year	Score of 1 (*N*)	Score of 1 (%)	Score of 2 (*N*)	Score of 2 (%)	Score of 3 (*N*)	Score of 3 (%)	Score of 4 (*N*)	Score of 4 (%)	Score of 5 (*N*)	Score of 5 (%)	Mean score
Exams taken with corresponding courses											
2017-18	145,489	28.2	127,608	24.7	113,520	22.0	81,090				

Exam subject	Exams	Exams taken with courses[a] (*N*)	Exams taken with courses (%)	Mean score of exams taken with courses	Exams taken without courses (*N*)	Exams taken without courses (%)	Mean score of exams taken without courses

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