Appendix table 1-6
Students in grades 4, 8, and 12 scoring at or above proficient level in mathematics for their grade, by student characteristics:
Selected years, 1990–2005

(Percent)

Grade/student characteristic	1990	1992	1996	2000	2003	2005
All grade 4 students	13	18	21	24	32	36
Sex						
Male	13	19	22	26	35	38
Female	12	16	20	22	30	34
Race/ethnicity						
White, non-Hispanic	16	22	27	31	43	47
Black, non-Hispanic	1	2	3	5	10	13
Hispanic	5	6	7	7	16	19
Asian/Pacific Islander ^a	NA	28	27	NA	48	55
American Indian/Alaska Native ^b	NA	NA	NA	NA	17	21
Free/reduced-price lunch ^c						
Eligible	NA	NA	8	8	15	19
Not eligible	NA	NA	27	32	45	49
All grade 8 students	15	21	23	26	29	30
Sex						
Male	17	21	25	27	30	31
Female	14	21	22	24	27	28
Race/ethnicity						
White, non-Hispanic	18	26	30	34	37	39
Black, non-Hispanic	5	2	4	5	7	9
Hispanic	7	7	8	8	12	13
Asian/Pacific Islander ^a	NA	43	NA	41	43	47
American Indian/Alaska Nativeb	NA	NA	NA	NA	15	14
Free/reduced-price lunch ^c						
Eligible	NA	NA	8	9	12	19
Not eligible	NA	NA	28	34	37	39
All grade 12 students ^d	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	23
Sex						
Male	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	25
Female	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	21
Race/ethnicity						
White, non-Hispanic	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	29
Black, non-Hispanic	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	6
Hispanic	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	8
Asian/Pacific Islander	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	36
American Indian/Alaska Native	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	6

NA = not available

NOTES: For grades 4 and 8, scores on 0–500 scale across two grades. For grade 12, scores on 0–300 scale. National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) recently changed way it includes students with disabilities and limited English proficiency in assessments. Before 1996, these students not allowed to use testing accommodations (e.g., extended time, one-on-one testing, bilingual dictionary). In 1996 and 2000, assessment administered to split samples: accommodations not permitted and accommodations permitted. Results in this table for 1996 and 2000 for sample allowed to use accommodations. In 2003, NAEP mathematics assessment completed transition to an accommodations-permitted test.

SOURCES: NCES, The Nation's Report Card: Mathematics 2005, NCES 2006-453 (2006); NCES, The Nation's Report Card: 12th-Grade Reading and Mathematics 2005, NCES 2007-468 (2007b); NAEP, 1990, 1996, 2003, and 2005 mathematics assessments; and National Science Foundation, Division of Science Resources Statistics, special tabulations.

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alnoufficient sample size in 1990 for Asian/Pacific Islanders precluded calculation of reliable estimates. Special analyses raised concerns about accuracy and precision of grade 8 Asian/Pacific Islander results in 1996 and grade 4 Asian/Pacific Islander results in 2000; therefore omitted from National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) reports and this report.

^bInsufficient sample sizes in 1990, 1992, 1996, and 2000 for grade 4 and 8 American Indians/Alaska Natives precluded calculation of reliable estimates.

^{&#}x27;Information on student's eligibility for free/reduced-price lunch first gathered in 1996 for grades 4 and 8 and not available for grade 12.

^dThe 2005 grade 12 mathematics assessment not comparable to previous assessments; therefore mathematics trend information for grade 12 not available. For results from previous grade 12 mathematics assessments see NCES, The Nation's Report Card: Mathematics 2000, NCES 2001-517 (2001).