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ABSTRACT
This report provides data on the academic achievement gap that separates low-income and minority students from other students, examining how well different groups of students perform in Indiana and noting inequities in teacher quality, course offerings, and funding. Included are tables and data that provide: a frontier gap analysis (a comparison Indiana to the leaders in achievement and gap closing) ; student profile (the demographic distribution of youth in Indiana); state performance (academic achievement and educational attainment) ; opportunity (well prepared teachers, challenging curricula, special student placements, effective instruction, and annual per pupil investments) ; minority achievement gains, state by state; and analysis of minority-white achievement gaps by subject area and grade level. Indiana did not participate in the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) tests in 1998; achievement profiles are based on 1996 results. African American 8 th graders in Indiana score more than 3 years behind white 8 th graders in the state in math and science, while Hispanic 8th graders score about 2 years behind. Low-income 8th graders score more than 2 years behind non-poor 8 th graders in the state in math and science. African American 4 th gradersi in Indiana, however, did make more progress in math from 1992 to 1996 in Indiana than African American 4th graders in almost every other state. (Contains 24 references.) (SM)


To eliminate the achievement gap that separates low-income and minority students from other students, we must understand what that gap looks like and where it originates. How well are different groups of students in your state performing? Could inequities in course selection or teacher quality be contributing to the gap? This State Summary Report provides at least some of the answers.

## INDIANA HIGHLIGHTS

- Student achievement data are based on NAEP. Indiana did not participate in any of the NAEP tests in 1998, therefore it is impossible to provide a full public picture of achievement in Indiana.
- We do know that African American 4th graders in Indiana made more progress in math from 1992 to 1996 than African American 4th graders in almost every other state.
- However, African American 8th graders in Indiana score more than three years behind White 8th graders in the state in math and science.
- Latino 8th graders in Indiana score about two years behind White 8th graders in the state in math and science.
- Low-income 8th graders in Indiana score more than two years behind nonpoor 8th graders in the state in math and science.
(The description above is meant to provide a general overview of the state's gaps and progress in student achievement. Readers who wish to compare states on these measures should consult the precise figures reported on the "Frontier Gap Analysis" page inside.)

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PLEASE NOTE that the State Summary Reports are merely a selection of the data from the Education Watch Interactive Data site. For more complete data, and for more cross-state comparisons, please visit the site at www.edtrust.org. Do remember, however, that you may have fuller, richer or more current data sets in your state for some of the indicators we report, because we only use data that can be compared across states. We therefore encourage you to gather and examine a wide range of data from your own state and local districts. In this way, communities will come to see a full picture of how their students are faring and what can be done to improve results.

## Frontier Gap Analysis

Education Watch Online introduces a new way to look at achievement gaps in each state: by comparing them with the "frontier" state for a particular group of students, that is, the state with the highest average score for that group. The comparison shows that, in most cases, achievement gaps would shrink dramatically if a state's poor or minority students performed as well as the same group of students in the frontier state. But that's only part of a longer journey; visit the Education Watch Online interactive Web site to see how far your state has to go before all groups of students perform at the "proficient" level on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP).

## How to read the table:

Within-State Achievement Gap: For African American and Latino students, this is the difference between that group's average score and the average score of white students on a particular test. For low-income students, this is the difference between their average score and the average score of non-poor students on the test.

Example: "On Average, Indiana's African American students scored 27 points lower than the state's White students on NAEP's 1996 4th Grade Math Assessment."
Frontier State for Group: This is the state where a particular group of students - African American, Latino, or low-income - scores the highest on the test. But, because such students can achieve much higher than they do even in the frontier state, the current frontier should be viewed as a short-term target rather than a long-term goal.

Example: "African American students in Texas out-perform African American students in all other states on NAEP's 1996 4th Grade Math Assessment"

Group's Distance to Frontier State: For African American, Latino, and low-income students, this is the difference between their average score and the average score for the same group of students in the frontier state.

Example: "African American students in Indiana scored 6 points behind African American students in Texas, the frontier state for African American students on that test"
Amount State's Achievement Gap Would Shrink: This is approximately how much the state's achievement gap would shrink if its African American, Latino, and low-income students scored as well as the same group of students in the frontier state.

Example: "If Indiana's African American 4th graders scored as well as those in Texas, the state's math achievement gap between African American and White 4th Graders would shrink by 22\%."

NOTE:A difference of 10 points is roughly equivalent to one year's worth of learning.

| NAEP <br> Assessment | Group | Within-State Achievement Gap | Frontier State for Group | Group's Distance to Frontier | Amount State's Achievement Gap Would Shrink * |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4th Grade <br> Math (1996) | African American | 27 | TX | 6 | 22\% |
|  | Latino | 18 | ND | 7 | 39\% |
|  | Low-Income | 23 | ND | 10 | 43\% |
| 8th Grade <br> Math (1996) | African American | 33 | NE | 9 | 27\% |
|  | Latino | 26 | IA | 13 | 50\% |
|  | Low-Income | 26 | ND | 18 | 69\% |
| 8th Grade <br> Science (1996) | African American | 33 | CO | 17 | 51\% |
|  | Latino | 19 | MT | 8 | 43\% |
|  | Low-Income | 22 | ND | 21 | 95\% |
| 4th Grade <br> Reading (1998) | African American | STATE DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN TEST |  |  |  |
|  | Latino |  |  |  |  |
|  | Low-Income |  |  |  |  |
| 8th Grade <br> Reading (1998) | African American | STATE DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN TEST |  |  |  |
|  | Latino |  |  |  |  |
|  | Low-Income |  |  |  |  |
| 8th Grade <br> Writing (1998) | African American | State did NOT PARTICIPATE IN TEST |  |  |  |
|  | Latino |  |  |  |  |
|  | Low-Income |  |  |  |  |

* Calculations take into account decimals. For clarity of presentation, data are displayed as whole numbers. Therefore, some figures may differ slightly from hand calculations.

Note: Low-Income refers to students eligible for free or reduced price lunch.

Cn' 'RCE: Education Trust calculations based on average scaled scores on the National Assessment of Educational Progress as reported by the National Center for tion Statistics.

## Student Profile

## STUDENT PROFILE

Population and enrollments: These data will offer a picture of the student population in your state. Comparing the demographic distribution of students across each educational level will show what happens to children as they journey through the education system. Significant differences should raise questions about equity.

|  | Population <br> Ages 5-24 | Public K-12 | Private K-12 | Two Year <br> Colleges | Four Year <br> Colleges |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| African American | $10.1 \%$ | $11.3 \%$ | $6.5 \%$ | $8.8 \%$ | $6.1 \%$ |
| Asian | $1.1 \%$ | $0.8 \%$ | $1.2 \%$ | $0.8 \%$ | $2.0 \%$ |
| Latino | $3.4 \%$ | $2.6 \%$ | $3.6 \%$ | $2.1 \%$ | $2.4 \%$ |
| Native American | $0.2 \%$ | $0.2 \%$ | $0.3 \%$ | $0.6 \%$ | $0.4 \%$ |
| White | $85.2 \%$ | $85.1 \%$ | $88.4 \%$ | $87.3 \%$ | $85.3 \%$ |
| Other |  |  | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $3.9 \%$ |
| Total | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | 44,017 | $100.0 \%$ |  |
| Number | $1,691,626$ | 987,483 |  | 247,726 |  |

Population and Enrollment


## State Performance

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

NAEP achievement levels: The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) is administered to representative samples of students nationally and in participating states. NAEP achievement is reported by percents in four categories:Advanced, Proficient, Basic and Below Basic. "Proficient" indicates the desired level of competency for students at a particular grade in a particular subject. In this indicator, closing the achievement gap between groups is critical, but it is not enough. Schools have a long way to go to move all American young people to proficiency.

## I 998 NAEP 8th grade reading

Adv. Prof. Basic < Basic
African
American
Asian
Latino
Native
American
White
All
Non-Poor
Poor
Note: all proficiency level data in percents.

## 1998 NAEP 8th grade writing

## Adv. Prof. Basic < Basic

## African

American
Asian
Latino
Native
American
White
All
Non-Poor
Poor
*Note: all proficiency level data in percents.
1998 NAEP 4th grade reading
Adv. Prof. Basic < Basic
African
American
Asian
Latino
Native
American
White
All
Non-Poor
Poor
*Note: all proficiency level data in percents.

1996 NAEP 4th grade math

|  | Adv. | Prof. | Basic | < Basic | 50 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 50 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| African |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| American | 0 | 4 | 32 | 64 |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\square$ |  |  |  |
| Asian |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 | - |  |
| Latino | 1 | 9 | 42 | 48 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | * |  |
| Native American |  |  |  |  |  | - |  | * |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 2 | 25 | 51 | 22 | . $50-$ |  |  |  |  | $\square$ | $\square$ | -50- |  |  |
| All | 2 | 22 | 48 | 28 |  |  |  |  |  | $\square$ | $\checkmark$ |  | $\cdots$ |  |
| Non-Poor | 3 | 27 | 52 | 18 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\square$ |  |
| Poor | 0 | 8 | 41 | 51 | $-100-$ |  | 1 | 1 | $T$ |  | 1 | - 100 | ${ }_{\text {Poor }}$ | ${ }_{\text {NonPoor }}$ |
| *Note: all proficiency level data in percents. |  |  |  |  |  | Arican American | Asian | Latino <br> Adranced | Native America <br> [... Proficient | $\begin{aligned} & \text { White } \\ & \square \text { Basic } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { All } \\ \text { Below Basic } \end{gathered}$ | - |  |  |

1996 NAEP 8th grade math


1996 NAEP 8th grade science

|  | Adv. | Prof. | Basic | < Basic | 50 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 507 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| African |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| American <br> Asian | 0 | 8 | 19 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | - |  |
|  | 0 | 15 | 30 | 55 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 | $\cdots$ |  |
| Native <br> American |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 2 | 32 | 37 | 29 | . $50-$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | . $50-$ |  | $\square$ |
| All | 2 | 28 | 35 | 35 |  |  |  |  |  |  | , |  |  |  |
| Non-Poor | 2 | 33 | 36 | 29 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Poor | 1 | 11 | 29 | 59 | $-100$ |  | 1 | 1 | $T$ |  | 1 | $\cdot 100$ | 1 |  |
| *Note: all p | roficien | level d | in perc | ents. |  | ican American | Asian | Latino Advanced | Native American I. Proficient | White $\square$ Basic | All <br> elow Basic | - | Poor | NonPoor |

## State Performance

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

NAEP multiyear trends: Looking at change over time both in absolute student performance and in achievement gaps can show whether a state is making progress, holding static, or even backsliding. This can help states focus actions needed for improvement, and measure whether existing initiatives are effectively meeting their goals in achievement and equity.

1992-98 4th grade reading


1990-96 8th grade math


| Year | African American- <br> White Gap | Latino- <br> White Gap |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1990 | 28 | 26 |
| 1992 | 30 | 24 |
| 1996 | 33 | 26 |
| Change* <br> $90-96$ | 5 | 0 |

[^0] score-interpret with caution (not necessarily statistically significant) *positive change=gap widened; negative change=gap narrowed

## State Performance

Average scores on college admissions tests: While increasing numbers of minorities are taking college admissions tests, in virtually every state, African American, Latino and Native American students still score well below other students. To close this gap, states should ensure that all students complete a rigorous college preparatory sequence, and that all students are held to the same expectations of postsecondary attainment. The SAT and ACT are the major nationally used college admissions tests. Below we report the scores for the predominant test used by your state's colleges and universities.

## SAT Performance

SAT Performance by Race/Ethnicity, 2000


Note: A perfect score for the SAT is 1600. A perfect score for the ACT is 36.

Distribution of SAT Test Takers, 2000

## Test Takers

| African American | $6.0 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Asian | $1.7 \%$ |
| Latino | $2.4 \%$ |
| Native American | I.r. |
| White | $89.8 \%$ |
| Total | $100.0 \%$ |
| Number | 35,187 |

[^1]
## State Performance

## ATTAINMENT

In order to determine equity in attainment rates, we compare regular diploma recipients with the number of 8th graders four years earlier, and report freshmen enrollments compared to bachelor's degrees four years later.Taken together, these show the flow of groups of students from middle school to high school graduation and through postsecondary education. Although these data do not track individual students from year to year, they should paint a fairly representative picture of who makes it through high school and college.

| 8th Graders vs. Diplomas | 8th Graders <br> $1993-94$ | Diplomas <br>  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| African American | $11.1 \%$ | $8.4 \%$ |
| Asian | $0.6 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ |
| Latino | $2.2 \%$ | $2.0 \%$ |
| Native American | $0.2 \%$ | $0.2 \%$ |
| White | $86.0 \%$ | $88.4 \%$ |
| Total | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Number | 78,125 | 58,899 |

## Chances For College, 1998

In the fall of 1998, the percentage of 19 year-olds in Indiana who were enrolled in college was (includes part-time and full-time students): . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 42.9\%

| Freshmen vs. Degrees Awarded | Freshmen* |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | $1993-94$ | Bachelor's Degrees |
|  | 1997 |  |
| African American | $6.0 \%$ | $3.9 \%$ |
| Asian | $1.5 \%$ | $2.2 \%$ |
| Latino | $2.3 \%$ | $2.0 \%$ |
| Native American | $1 . r$. | l.r. |
| White | $88.7 \%$ | $88.1 \%$ |
| Other | $1.4 \%$ | $3.8 \%$ |
| Total | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Number | 49,111 | 30,477 |

*Note: Includes first-time full time and part time freshmen at 2-year and 4-year institutions.
I.r. low reliability

## WELL-PREPARED TEACHERS

The best educational investment a state can make is to give each student a knowledgeable teacher. One key measure of teachers' qualifications is whether they have a major in their particular field. The distribution of well-prepared teachers is an important indicator of equal educational opportunity for different groups of students.


## CHALLENGING CURRICULA

Industry has joined colleges in the demand for individuals with high-level knowledge and skills. This means that all students need a rigorous curriculum in order to be prepared for success, whether they choose college or work. Yet too few students have the opportunity to gain these skills through rigorous math and science courses.
Percentage of students who take high-level courses: Course-taking disaggregated by race and ethnicity is an indicator of the amount of access students have to challenging subject matter and the essential skills it develops for life after high school.

Example for reading this chart: Of all African American 8th graders, this percentage took Algebra I.

| Subject | African American | Asian | Latino | Native American | White |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 8th Grade Algebra | $12 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $23 \%$ | $21 \%$ |  |
| Algebra II by Graduation |  |  | $61 \%$ |  |  |
| Chemistry by Graduation |  |  | $58 \%$ |  |  |

Composition of AP test takers: Students take Advanced Placement (AP) exams after completing year-long AP courses, typically among the highest level offered in high schools. In a system where all students have equal access to these opportunities, the percentage of test-takers by race and ethnicity would be proportional to their representation in public K-I2 enrollment. Example: Of all AP test-takers, this percentage were African Americans

AP Test Takers, 2000

|  | Public K-I2 | English/Composition | Calculus AB | Biology |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| African American | $11.3 \%$ | $5.1 \%$ | $2.2 \%$ | $3.4 \%$ |
| Asian | $0.8 \%$ | $3.4 \%$ | $4.7 \%$ | $6.7 \%$ |
| Latino | $2.6 \%$ | $2.5 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ |
| Native American | $0.2 \%$ | I.r. | $1 . r$. | 1. . |
| White | $85.1 \%$ | $89.0 \%$ | $91.3 \%$ | $88.1 \%$ |
| Total | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Number | 987,483 | 3,274 | 3,452 | 1.544 |

## Opportunity

## SPECIAL STUDENT PLACEMENTS

The school programs listed below vary a great deal in their level of curriculum, expectations, and instruction. Poor and minority students should not face disproportionate placement in programs with lower academic expectations. If there is equity in placements, the number of Latino students, for example, placed in gifted and talented programs and in special education should be proportional to Latinos enrolled in K-12. Although suspensions are not precisely an academic program, we include data about them because too often they represent a placement out of the system altogether.

Student Placement, 1998

|  | Public K-12 | Gifted and Talented | Special Education | Suspensions |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| African American | 11.3\% | 3.93\% | 14.28\% | 20.99\% |
| Asian | 0.8\% | 2.04\% | 0.22\% | 0.28\% |
| Latino | 2.6\% | 1.72\% | 2.26\% | 4.12\% |
| Native American | 0.2\% | 0.13\% | 0.18\% | 0.12\% |
| White | 85.1\% | 92.18\% | 83.06\% | 74.49\% |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Number | 987,483 | 59,405 | 85,376 | 83,072 |
| African American Asian Latino Native American White |  |  |  |  |

## EFFECTIVE INSTRUCTION

Students can do no better than the assignments and instruction they are given. Research shows that students whose teachers emphasize mathematical problem solving and hands-on science activities score significantly higher on NAEP. How often students experience these practices is another indicator of educational opportunity.

## Math and Science Practice (8th Grade) 1996

Emphasis on Solving Complex Math Problems



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## Opportunity

## INVESTMENTS

State and local education dollars by district poverty and minority enrollment, 1996-97: A growing body of research shows that additional dollars spent on the right things can substantially raise the achievement of poor and minority students. But despite decades of school finance litigation in many states, students in districts with the greatest challenges by and large still receive the fewest resources.

## Education Dollars by District Poverty



NOTE: Dollars are adjusted for student needs and regional cost differences. Districts are divided into quarters by child poverty.

## Education Dollars by District Minority Enrollment



NOTE: Dollars are adjusted for student needs and regional cost differences. Districts are divided into quarters by enroll ment.

## Analysis

Research suggests that investing more funds in education services for disadvantaged students can help close the achievement gap.
In Indiana, districts with the highest minority enrollments have $\$ 26 \mathrm{I}$ fewer state and local dollars to spend per student compared with the lowest-minority districts. That translates into a total $\$ 6,525$ for a typical classroom of 25 students.

## Opportunity

Per Pupil Investment, 1999-2000: To facilitate comparison across states, data are adjusted to reflect the higher cost of educating students who live in places where educational supplies and sources tend to be more expensive, such as large cities. These numbers will therefore differ from unadjusted Per Pupil Expenditure figures. Even cost adjusted dollars per students vary a great deal from state to state, from a low in Utah of $\$ 4,280$, to a high of $\$ 9,057$ in West Virginia.

The State average per pupil investment was \$7,540.00

Effort, 1997-98: By surfacing the level of a state's commitment, this calculation of "effort" allows comparisons between wealthy and less affluent states that may not be apparent when examining per pupil spending alone. For example, a state with low wealth may rank low on per pupil spending, but an examination of "Effort" shows that a high percentage of its wealth is devoted to education. The state in this example would rank favorably against a wealthier state that commits a smaller percentage of its resources to education, even though the latter state's actual "per pupil" dollars may be larger.Among the 50 states this ranges from a low of $\$ 27.07$ in Delaware, to a high of $\$ 52.77$ in Vermont.

For every $\$ 1,000$ in annual personal income, the combined state and local investment in K-12 education was $\$ 43.66$

## College vs. Prison, 1998

Compares the annual cost of maintaining an individual in prison to the price of tuition, room and board at the state's leading public university.

| Institution | Annual College Cost | Annual Prison Cost |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| - University of Indiana, Bloomington | $\$ 9,249.50$ | $\$ 17,067.40$ |

Change in state investments, 1997-99: By comparing trends in total state spending and on elementary/secondary education, higher education and corrections over a two-year period, we can gauge the priority a state gives to investing in education.

Revenues, K-12, Higher Education, and Corrections


# Minority Achievement Gains, State by State 

4th Grade Math Scale Scores, 1992-96

## Where are minority students making the largest gains?

The following tables show how many points African American and Latino students gained or lost on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). The tables only include those states that participated in both years and had enough members of each student group in the testing sample.

## African American

| State | 1992 | 1996 | Change |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Massachusetts | 194 | 208 | +14 |
| Michigan | 186 | 199 | +13 |
| Texas | 199 | 212 | +13 |
| lowa | 194 | 205 | +11 |
| North Carolina | 194 | 205 | +11 |
| Connecticut | 195 | 206 | +11 |
| Indiana | 196 | 206 | +10 |
| Louisiana | 187 | 196 | +9 |
| NATION | 192 | 200 | +8 |
| Nebraska | 191 | 198 | +7 |
| Mississippi | 190 | 197 | +7 |
| Virginia | 198 | 204 | +6 |
| Tennessee | 193 | 198 | +5 |
| Alabama | 189 | 194 | +5 |
| Missouri | 196 | 201 | +5 |
| New Jersey | 199 | 204 | +5 |
| Wisconsin | 196 | 201 | +5 |
| Pennsylvania | 194 | 199 | +5 |
| Florida | 191 | 195 | +4 |
| Arkansas | 189 | 193 | +4 |
| Maryland | 195 | 199 | +4 |
| New York | 200 | 204 | +4 |
| California | 184 | 188 | +4 |
| Georgia | 197 | 201 | +4 |
| Hawaii | 200 | 204 | +4 |
| South Carolina | 195 | 199 | +4 |
| Rhode Island | 191 | 194 | +3 |
| Kentucky | 201 | 204 | +3 |
| New Mexico | 203 | 205 | +2 |
| West Virginia | 204 | 205 | +1 |
| Arizona | 199 | 200 | +1 |
| Minnesota | 194 | 193 | -1 |
| Delaware | 198 | 195 | -3 |
| Colorado | 200 | 196 | -4 |
| District Of Columbia | 190 | 184 | -6 |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |

Latino

| State | 1992 | 1996 | Change |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tennessee | 193 | 209 | +16 |
| Minnesota | 208 | 219 | +11 |
| Rhode Island | 190 | 201 | +11 |
| Mississippi | 186 | 196 | +10 |
| Arkansas | 195 | 203 | +8 |
| Texas | 209 | 216 | +7 |
| North Dakota | 215 | 222 | +7 |
| Missouri | 208 | 214 | +6 |
| West Virginia | 204 | 210 | +6 |
| North Carolina | 200 | 206 | +6 |
| New York | 199 | 205 | +6 |
| Indiana | 210 | 215 | +5 |
| California | 192 | 197 | +5 |
| Massachusetts | 207 | 211 | +4 |
| Georgia | 198 | 202 | +4 |
| NATION | 201 | 205 | +4 |
| Colorado | 206 | 210 | +4 |
| Hawaii | 199 | 202 | +3 |
| Alabama | 193 | 196 | +3 |
| Pennsylvania | 205 | 207 | +2 |
| Virginia | 212 | 214 | +2 |
| New Mexico | 203 | 205 | +2 |
| Kentucky | 199 | 201 | +2 |
| Wisconsin | 213 | 214 | +1 |
| Connecticut | 206 | 207 | +1 |
| Arizona | 203 | 204 | +1 |
| Florida | 207 | 207 | 0 |
| Maryland | 207 | 207 | 0 |
| New Jersey | 206 | 206 | 0 |
| District of Columbia | 182 | 182 | 0 |
| Michigan | 206 | 205 | -1 |
| Utah | 209 | 208 | -1 |
| South Carolina | 200 | 199 | -1 |
| Nebraska | 210 | 209 | -1 |
| Maine | 220 | 218 | -2 |
| Delaware | 199 | 194 | -5 |
| Wyoming | 215 | 209 | -6 |
| Louisiana | 200 | 193 | -7 |
| lowa | 219 | 212 | -7 |
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# Minority Achievement Gains, State by State 

8th Grade Math Scale Scores, 1990-96

Where are minority students making the largest gains?
The following tables show how many points African American and Latino students gained or lost on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). The tables only include those states that participated in both years and had enough members of each student group in the testing sample.

## African American

| State | 1990 | 1996 | Change |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nebraska | 235 | 256 | +21 |
| Colorado | 237 | 255 | +18 |
| Rhode Island | 227 | 244 | +17 |
| North Carolina | 233 | 247 | +14 |
| Michigan | 232 | 246 | +14 |
| Texas | 236 | 249 | +13 |
| West Virginia | 235 | 246 | +11 |
| New York | 236 | 246 | +10 |
| Minnesota | 239 | 249 | +10 |
| Arizona | 245 | 254 | +9 |
| Kentucky | 240 | 248 | +8 |
| California | 233 | 239 | +6 |
| Florida | 231 | 236 | +5 |
| Louisiana | 230 | 235 | +5 |
| NATION | 237 | 242 | +5 |
| Maryland | 238 | 243 | +5 |
| Indiana | 243 | 247 | +4 |
| Connecticut | 241 | 245 | +4 |
| Arkansas | 232 | 235 | +3 |
| Wisconsin | 238 | 240 | +2 |
| Delaware | 242 | 244 | +2 |
| Virginia | 242 | 244 | +2 |
| Georgia | 240 | 241 | +1 |
| District of Columbia | 231 | 231 | 0 |
| Alabama | 234 | 233 | -1 |

Latino

| State | 1990 | 1996 | Change |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| North Carolina | 218 | 253 | +35 |
| Minnesota | 239 | 266 | +27 |
| Louisiana | 226 | 242 | +16 |
| North Dakota | 249 | 264 | +15 |
| Connecticut | 237 | 252 | +15 |
| Georgia | 231 | 246 | +15 |
| Virginia | 243 | 258 | +15 |
| Hawaii | 231 | 244 | +13 |
| West Virginia | 232 | 244 | +12 |
| lowa | 256 | 268 | +12 |
| Maryland | 237 | 248 | +11 |
| Texas | 245 | 256 | +11 |
| Colorado | 247 | 257 | +10 |
| Indiana | 245 | 255 | +10 |
| California | 237 | 246 | +9 |
| Rhode Island | 230 | 239 | +9 |
| Arizona | 242 | 251 | +9 |
| Wisconsin | 250 | 259 | +9 |
| New York | 237 | 245 | +8 |
| Florida | 245 | 253 | +8 |
| NATION | 242 | 250 | +8 |
| Michigan | 243 | 249 | +6 |
| Oregon | 254 | 259 | +5 |
| Alabama | 227 | 232 | +5 |
| New Mexico | 247 | 252 | +5 |
| District of Columbia | 217 | 221 | +4 |
| Delaware | 242 | 244 | +2 |
| Wyoming | 255 | 256 | +1 |
| Nebraska | 253 | 253 | 0 |
| Montana | 263 | 257 | -6 |

# Minority Achievement Gains, State by State 

4th Grade Reading Scale Scores, 1992-98

Where are minority students making the largest gains?
The following tables show how many points African American and Latino students gained or lost on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). The tables only include those states that participated in both years and had enough members of each student group in the testing sample.

## African American

| State | 1992 | 1998 | Change |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rhode Island | 187 | 197 | +10 |
| Connecticut | 196 | 205 | +9 |
| North Carolina | 194 | 200 | +6 |
| Mississippi | 186 | 192 | +6 |
| Alabama | 188 | 193 | +5 |
| California | 184 | 189 | +5 |
| Delaware | 195 | 199 | +4 |
| Florida | 186 | 189 | +3 |
| Michigan | 188 | 191 | +3 |
| Hawaii | 192 | 195 | +3 |
| Maryland | 193 | 195 | +2 |
| South Carolina | 195 | 197 | +2 |
| NATION | 192 | 193 | +1 |
| Colorado | 202 | 202 | 0 |
| Tennessee | 193 | 193 | 0 |
| Virginia | 203 | 203 | 0 |
| Kentucky | 197 | 196 | -1 |
| Minnesota | 191 | 190 | -1 |
| Texas | 200 | 197 | -3 |
| Georgia | 196 | 193 | -3 |
| Massachusetts | 205 | 202 | -3 |
| Arkansas | 190 | 186 | -4 |
| Louisiana | 191 | 186 | -5 |
| Missouri | 196 | 190 | -6 |
| District Of Columbia | 186 | 180 | -6 |
| Wisconsin | 200 | 193 | -7 |
| New York | 202 | 193 | -9 |
| Oklahoma | 201 | 192 | -9 |
| Arizona | 200 | 190 | -10 |
| WestVirginia | 204 | 192 | -12 |
| lowa | 209 | 192 | -17 |
| New Mexico | 202 | 183 | -19 |

Latino

| State | 1992 | 1998 | Change |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Connecticut | 193 | 205 | +12 |
| New York | 187 | 194 | +7 |
| Delaware | 188 | 193 | +5 |
| North Carolina | 192 | 196 | +4 |
| Maryland | 197 | 200 | +3 |
| Texas | 201 | 204 | +3 |
| Georgia | 192 | 193 | +1 |
| Alabama | 190 | 190 | 0 |
| Colorado | 202 | 202 | 0 |
| Kentucky | 195 | 195 | 0 |
| Minnesota | 203 | 203 | 0 |
| West Virginia | 196 | 196 | 0 |
| Maine | 209 | 208 | -1 |
| Florida | 201 | 200 | -1 |
| Massachusetts | 201 | 200 | -1 |
| Arkansas | 188 | 187 | -1 |
| Oklahoma | 208 | 207 | -1 |
| lowa | 211 | 210 | -1 |
| New Mexico | 200 | 199 | -1 |
| Wyoming | 209 | 207 | -2 |
| Mississippi | 185 | 183 | -2 |
| California | 183 | 181 | -2 |
| Wisconsin | 210 | 208 | -2 |
| Tennessee | 196 | 193 | -3 |
| NATION | 199 | 195 | -4 |
| Virginia | 202 | 198 | -4 |
| Louisiana | 188 | 184 | -4 |
| Michigan | 198 | 193 | -5 |
| Rhode Island | 191 | 185 | -6 |
| South Carolina | 195 | 189 | -6 |
| Missouri | 202 | 196 | -6 |
| District Of Columbia | 177 | 168 | -9 |
| Hawaii | 193 | 183 | -10 |
| Arizona | 198 | 186 | -12 |
| New Hampshire | 215 | 201 | -14 |
| Utah | 204 | 189 | -15 |
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Note: Gaps are measured by the point difference between minority and White average scale scores.


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[^0]:    Note: Change based on absolute difference in average group scale

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