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2015 STATEWIDE HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT RESULTS

Results are now available [online](#) from the 2015 statewide high school assessments administered to students in grades 9 through 11. Overall, the data indicate stable performance across the years.

Consistent with Wyoming statutes, and to support calculations for the Wyoming school accountability system, 9th graders take ACT's Explore assessment, 10th graders take the ACT Plan, and 11th graders take the ACT. The tests are intended to predict college readiness as measured by the ACT.

This spring marked the third year that these tests have been administered statewide as required by the Wyoming Accountability in Education Act.

*Wyoming High School Assessment Average Scale Scores,
Spring 2013 – Spring 2015*

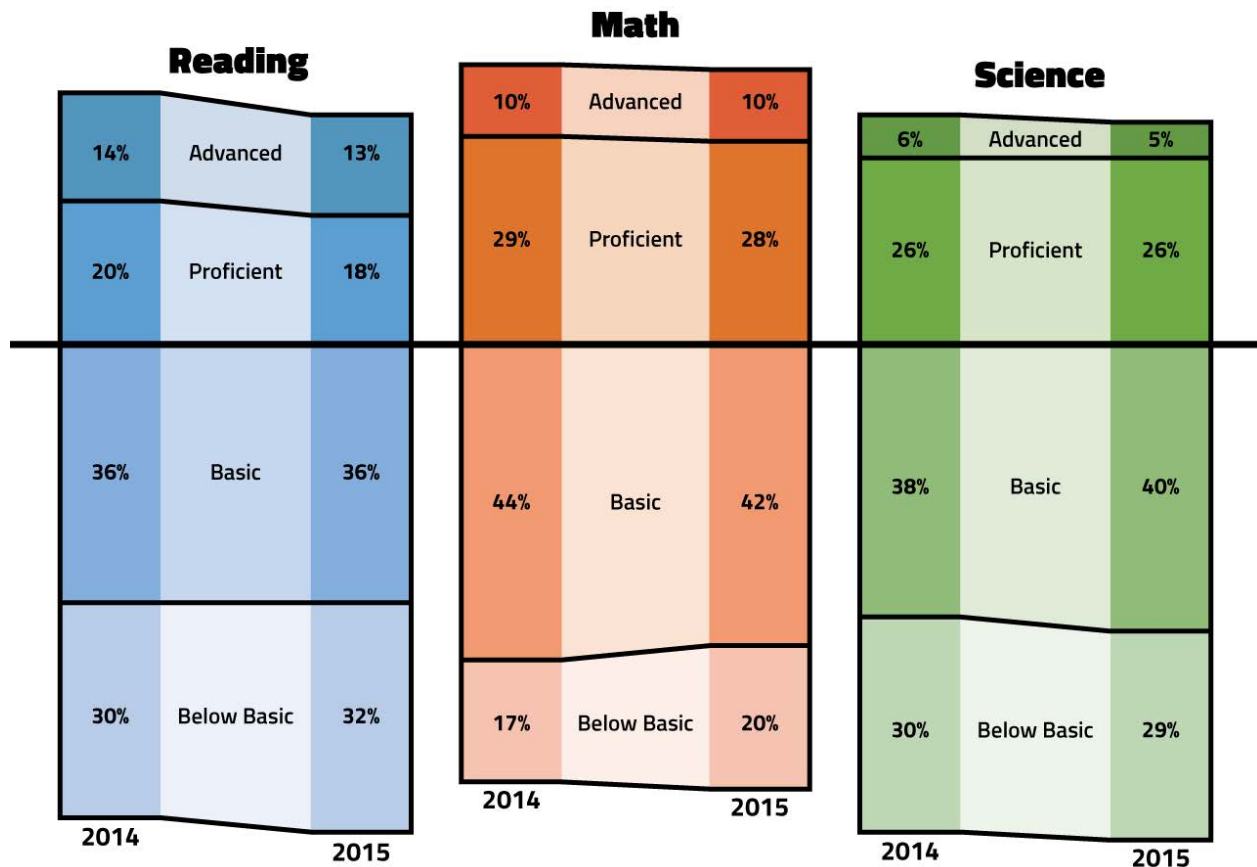
Test and Grade	English			Math		
	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
11th Grade: ACT	18.8	19.0	18.8	19.6	19.7	19.5
10th Grade: Plan	17.6	17.5	17.0	18.5	18.2	18.4
9th Grade: Explore	16.2	16.4	16.1	17.0	17.1	16.4

	Reading			Science			Composite		
	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
11	20.1	20.3	20.0	19.8	20.1	20.2	19.7	19.9	19.8
10	17.9	17.8	17.6	19.2	19.1	18.8	18.4	18.2	18.1
9	16.1	16.3	15.9	18.2	17.9	17.7	17.0	17.0	17.0

Since the ACT is also used for federal school accountability, the WDE established new performance levels in 2014 delineating Advanced, Proficient, Basic, and Below Basic performance on the subject area tests. Results from 2014 and 2015 are not directly comparable to 2013 because they represented a much higher set of expectations for Wyoming students.

The percent of Wyoming 11th graders earning scores in each of the four performance levels are shown below. The overall percentage of students who earned scores of Proficient/Advanced is 1-2 percentage points lower than in 2014.

Percent of Wyoming 11th Grade Students by Performance Level, 2014 & 2015



These results will be used to make federal and state accountability determinations, which will be released in September.

The WDE will publish ACT results for the graduating class of 2015 in concert with the ACT annual report, *The Condition of College & Career Readiness*, scheduled for August 26, 2015.

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