

# Smarter Balanced Results by State: 2014-15

As of Sept. 9, 2015, eight states in addition to California have released preliminary or final results of the [Smarter Balanced](#) assessments administered to students in the spring of 2015. They are Connecticut, Delaware, Idaho, Missouri, Oregon, Vermont, Washington and West Virginia.

While the Smarter Balanced scoring system is the same in every state, ranging from level 1, the least proficient, to level 4, the most proficient, states have different terminology to describe the four levels.

In most states, students scoring at level 3 are labeled “proficient,” while Connecticut identifies students at level 3 as “meeting the achievement level.” In Oregon, the level for proficiency is simply listed as a 3 or higher on the state’s press release regarding preliminary scores. California education officials have rejected the term “proficient” and instead describe students at level 3 as having met the standard and at level 4 as having exceeded the standard.

Regardless of the terms used to describe them, each of the four levels should be roughly equivalent in each state. In the following charts, state results are presented by each of the four achievement levels.

*A composite score for student performance in grades 5-8 and 11 in English language arts and math is not listed since, in several states, the data were not available, or had not been compiled for every grade and subject. Results from Delaware, Idaho, Oregon and West Virginia are preliminary. [Missouri’s](#) 8th grade math assessments did not include students in 8th grade Algebra 1. In Washington State, about 50 percent of 11th graders did not take the tests.*

## Grade 3 Results

State	English: Level 3 or Higher	English: Level 2 or Lower	Math: Level 3 or Higher	Math: Level 2 or Lower
Missouri	57.0%	43.0%	52.0%	48.0%
Connecticut	54.0%	46.0%	48.0%	52.0%
Delaware	54.0%	46.0%	53.0%	47.0%
Vermont	52.0%	48.0%	52.0%	48.0%
Washington	52.0%	48.0%	57.0%	43.0%
Idaho	48.0%	52.0%	50.0%	50.0%
Oregon	47.0%	53.0%	47.0%	53.0%
West Virginia	46.0%	54.0%	44.0%	56.0%
California	38.0%	62.0%	40.0%	60.0%

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## Grade 4 Results

<b>State</b>	<b>English: Level 3 or Higher</b>	<b>English: Level 2 or Lower</b>	<b>Math: Level 3 or Higher</b>	<b>Math: Level 2 or Lower</b>
Missouri	59.0%	41.0%	50.0%	50.0%
Connecticut	55.0%	45.0%	44.0%	56.0%
Washington	55.0%	45.0%	54.0%	46.0%
Delaware	54.0%	46.0%	47.0%	53.0%
Oregon	51.0%	49.0%	45.0%	55.0%
Vermont	51.0%	49.0%	45.0%	55.0%
Idaho	46.0%	54.0%	46.0%	54.0%
West Virginia	45.0%	55.0%	35.0%	65.0%
California	40.0%	60.0%	35.0%	65.0%

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## Grade 5 Results

<b>State</b>	<b>English: Level 3 or Higher</b>	<b>English: Level 2 or Lower</b>	<b>Math: Level 3 or Higher</b>	<b>Math: Level 2 or Lower</b>
Connecticut	59.0%	41.0%	37.0%	63.0%
Missouri	59.0%	41.0%	40.0%	60.0%
Washington	58.0%	42.0%	48.0%	52.0%
Vermont	57.0%	43.0%	42.0%	58.0%
Delaware	55.0%	45.0%	38.0%	62.0%
Oregon	55.0%	45.0%	42.0%	58.0%
Idaho	52.0%	48.0%	38.0%	62.0%
West Virginia	51.0%	49.0%	30.0%	70.0%
California	44.0%	56.0%	30.0%	70.0%

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## Grade 6 Results

<b>State</b>	<b>English: Level 3 or Higher</b>	<b>English: Level 2 or Lower</b>	<b>Math: Level 3 or Higher</b>	<b>Math: Level 2 or Lower</b>
Connecticut	56.0%	44.0%	37.0%	63.0%
Missouri	55.0%	45.0%	38.0%	62.0%
Oregon	55.0%	45.0%	39.0%	61.0%
Washington	54.0%	46.0%	46.0%	54.0%
Vermont	53.0%	47.0%	37.0%	63.0%
Idaho	49.0%	51.0%	36.0%	64.0%
Delaware	48.0%	52.0%	34.0%	66.0%
California	43.0%	57.0%	33.0%	67.0%
West Virginia	43.0%	57.0%	26.0%	74.0%

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## Grade 7 Results

<b>State</b>	<b>English: Level 3 or Higher</b>	<b>English: Level 2 or Lower</b>	<b>Math: Level 3 or Higher</b>	<b>Math: Level 2 or Lower</b>
Connecticut	57.0%	43.0%	39.0%	61.0%
Missouri	57.0%	43.0%	35.0%	65.0%
Oregon	57.0%	43.0%	43.0%	57.0%
Washington	57.0%	43.0%	48.0%	52.0%
Vermont	55.0%	45.0%	43.0%	57.0%
Idaho	51.0%	49.0%	38.0%	62.0%
Delaware	50.0%	50.0%	37.0%	63.0%
West Virginia	45.0%	55.0%	25.0%	75.0%
California	44.0%	56.0%	34.0%	66.0%

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## Grade 8 Results

State	English: Level 3 or Higher	English: Level 2 or Lower	Math: Level 3 or Higher	Math: Level 2 or Lower
Missouri	58.0%	42.0%	28.0%	72.0%
Oregon	58.0%	42.0%	44.0%	56.0%
Washington	57.0%	43.0%	46.0%	54.0%
Connecticut	54.0%	46.0%	37.0%	63.0%
Vermont	54.0%	46.0%	40.0%	60.0%
Idaho	52.0%	48.0%	37.0%	63.0%
Delaware	49.0%	51.0%	35.0%	65.0%
California	45.0%	55.0%	33.0%	67.0%
West Virginia	43.0%	57.0%	25.0%	75.0%

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## Grade 11 Results

State	English: Level 3 or Higher	English: Level 2 or Lower	Math: Level 3 or Higher	Math: Level 2 or Lower
Oregon	69.0%	31.0%	31.0%	69.0%
Idaho	61.0%	39.0%	30.0%	70.0%
Vermont	58.0%	42.0%	37.0%	63.0%
California	56.0%	44.0%	29.0%	71.0%
Connecticut	53.0%	47.0%	31.0%	69.0%
Delaware	52.0%	48.0%	23.0%	77.0%
West Virginia	47.0%	53.0%	20.0%	80.0%
Washington	26.0%	74.0%	14.0%	86.0%
Missouri	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%