HIGHLIGHTS

OHIO ACHIEVEMENT TESTS PRELIMINARY RESULTS MAY 2008 TEST ADMINISTRATION

INTRODUCTION

The Ohio Achievement Tests (OAT) were administered to students in grades 3-8 from April 21 through May 09, 2008.

The highlights were based on the preliminary results of the May 2008 test administration. Schools and districts have not verified those results. The final figures may be different due to appeals, late scoring and other changes. If a third-grade student took both the October 2007 test and May 2008 test in Reading, the higher score will be used for accountability purposes; however, the highlights reflect May 2008 results only.

TOTAL STUDENTS TESTED

Table 1 shows the total number of public and community school students tested during the May 2008 administration by subject.

Table 1 – Total number of public school students taking the OAT in May 2008

	Grade						
	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh	Eighth	
Reading	124,102	129,651	128,084	129,421	133,907	135,718	
Mathematics	129,418	129,683	127,959	129,269	133,556	135,630	
Writing	-	129,552	-	-	133,669	-	
Science	-	-	128,223	-	-	135,592	
Soc. Studies	-	-	128,185	-	-	135,449	

Note: Grade three students were also tested in Reading in October and some of them did not take the test again in May. Blank cells indicate that a grade cohort was not tested in that subject.

OVERALL PRELIMINARY RESULTS

Table 2 shows the percent of students who scored at proficient or above (accelerated or advanced) on each test in the May 2008 test administration.

Table 2 – Percentage of students at or above the proficient standard in May 2008

	Grade						
	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh	Eighth	
Reading	74 %	81 %	72 %	80 %	77 %	79 %	
Mathematics	79 %	74 %	61 %	76 %	68 %	73 %	
Writing	1	82 %	-	-	86 %	-	
Science	-	-	66 %	-	-	62 %	
Soc. Studies	-	-	64 %	-	-	53 %	

Note: Grade three Reading Test data are for the May 2008 administration only; October 2007 administration data are not included. Blank cells indicate that a grade cohort was not tested in that subject.

TEST RESULTS BY RACE/ETHNICITY

Table 3 shows the percent of students who scored at proficient or above on each test disaggregated by ethnicity.

Table 3 – Ohio Achievement Tests, May 2008 Administration Percentage of students at or above proficient level by race/ethnicity

		Grade					
		Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh	Eighth
Reading	African-Amer.	52 %	58 %	44 %	58 %	53 %	58 %
	Asian	84 %	90 %	86 %	90 %	87 %	90 %
	Hispanic	59 %	68 %	58 %	68 %	60 %	65 %
	White	79 %	86 %	79 %	85 %	83 %	84 %
	African-Amer.	52 %	48 %	31 %	48 %	37 %	44 %
Mathematics	Asian	89 %	88 %	82 %	92 %	88 %	90 %
Mathematics	Hispanic	63 %	59 %	43 %	61 %	51 %	57 %
	White	85 %	81%	68 %	83 %	75 %	79 %
	African-Amer.	-	66 %	-	-	70 %	-
Writing	Asian	-	92 %	-	-	93 %	-
willing	Hispanic	-	73 %	-	-	76 %	-
	White	-	85 %	-	-	89 %	-
Science	African-Amer.	-	-	32 %	-	ı	27 %
	Asian	-	-	82 %	-	1	80 %
	Hispanic	-	-	46 %	-	-	41 %
	White	-	-	74 %	-	-	70 %
Soc. Studies	African-Amer.	-	-	30 %	-	-	22 %
	Asian	-	-	79 %	-	1	76 %
	Hispanic	-	-	44 %	-	-	33 %
	White	-	-	72 %	-	-	60 %

Note: Blank cells indicate that a grade cohort was not tested in a subject. Table includes data for both regular and accelerated testing.

TEST RESULTS BY GENDER

Table 4 shows the percent of students who scored at proficient or above on each test disaggregated by gender.

Table 4 – Ohio Achievement Tests, May 2008 Administration Percentage of students at or above proficient level by gender

		Grade					
		Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh	Eighth
Reading	Male	71 %	80 %	70 %	75 %	73 %	75 %
	Female	77 %	82 %	75 %	84 %	81 %	83 %
Mathematics	Male	79 %	74 %	61 %	76 %	68 %	72 %
	Female	78 %	74 %	61 %	76 %	68 %	73 %
Writing	Male	1	76 %	-	-	80 %	-
	Female	1	87 %	-	-	91 %	-
Science	Male	1	-	66 %	-	-	63 %
	Female	1	-	65 %	-	-	60 %
Soc. Studies	Male	1	-	65 %	-	-	54 %
	Female	-	-	63 %	-	-	51 %

Note: Blank cells indicate that a grade cohort was not tested in that subject. Table includes data for both regular and accelerated testing.

Many documents and materials for the Ohio Achievement Tests, such as manuals, interpretive guides, cut scores, can be found on the internet at http://www.ohiodocs.org/. You also can find additional information for the achievement tests at the ODE assessment Web site at http://www.ode.state.oh.us.