

Table 1
National Performance in Mathematics and Reading
(percent of students in achievement level)

Achievement Level	MATH		READING	
	Grade 4	Grade 8	Grade 4	Grade 8
ELL Students				
Advanced	1	1	1	0
Proficient	11	5	6	4
Basic	43	23	21	24
Below Basic	46	71	73	71
White Students				
Advanced	7	7	10	3
Proficient	40	30	30	34
Basic	42	42	35	43
Below Basic	11	21	25	19
Black Students				
Advanced	1	1	2	0
Proficient	12	8	11	11
Basic	47	33	29	40
Below Basic	40	59	59	49
Hispanic Students				
Advanced	1	1	2	1
Proficient	18	12	13	13
Basic	48	38	29	41
Below Basic	33	50	56	45

Source: 2005 National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)