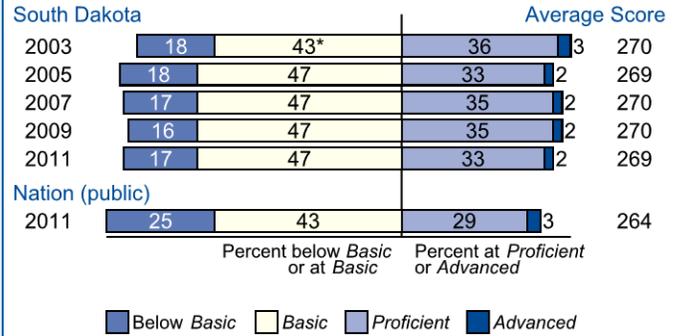


**Overall Results**

- In 2011, the average score of eighth-grade students in South Dakota was 269. This was higher than the average score of 264 for public school students in the nation.
- The average score for students in South Dakota in 2011 (269) was not significantly different from their average score in 2009 (270) and in 2003 (270).
- In 2011, the score gap between students in South Dakota at the 75th percentile and students at the 25th percentile was 38 points. This performance gap was not significantly different from that of 2003 (41 points).
- The percentage of students in South Dakota who performed at or above the NAEP *Proficient* level was 35 percent in 2011. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2009 (37 percent) and in 2003 (39 percent).
- The percentage of students in South Dakota who performed at or above the NAEP *Basic* level was 83 percent in 2011. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2009 (84 percent) and in 2003 (82 percent).

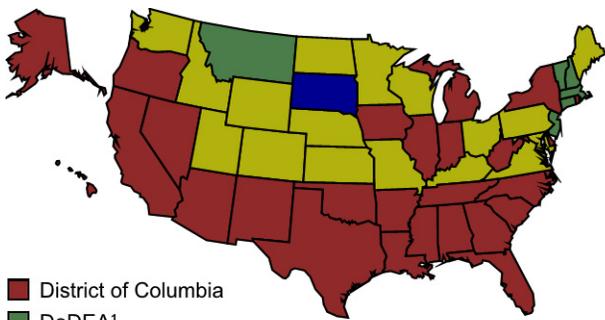
**Achievement-Level Percentages and Average Score Results**



\* Significantly different ( $p < .05$ ) from state's results in 2011. Significance tests were performed using unrounded numbers.

NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals because of rounding.

**Compare the Average Score in 2011 to Other States/Jurisdictions**

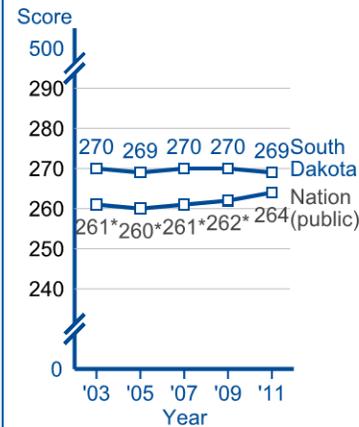


<sup>1</sup> Department of Defense Education Activity (overseas and domestic schools).

In 2011, the average score in **South Dakota** (269) was

- lower than those in 7 states/jurisdictions
- higher than those in 27 states/jurisdictions
- not significantly different from those in 17 states/jurisdictions

**Average Scores for State/Jurisdiction and Nation (public)**



\* Significantly different ( $p < .05$ ) from 2011. Significance tests were performed using unrounded numbers.

**Results for Student Groups in 2011**

Reporting Groups	Percent of students	Avg. score	Percentages at or above		Percent at Advanced
			Basic	Proficient	
<b>School Race</b>					
White	82	273	88	39	2
Black	2	256	70	17	1
Hispanic	3	256	68	22	1
Asian	1	‡	‡	‡	‡
American Indian/Alaska Native	11	244	52	14	1
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	#	‡	‡	‡	‡
Two or more races	1	‡	‡	‡	‡
<b>Gender</b>					
Male	51	265	80	30	1
Female	49	273	85	41	3
<b>National School Lunch Program</b>					
Eligible	35	257	71	22	1
Not eligible	65	275	89	42	3

# Rounds to zero. ‡ Reporting standards not met.

NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals because of rounding, and because the "Information not available" category for the National School Lunch Program, which provides free/reduced-price lunches is not displayed. Black includes African American and Hispanic includes Latino. Race categories exclude Hispanic origin.

**Score Gaps for Student Groups**

- In 2011, Black students had an average score that was 17 points lower than White students. Data are not reported for Black students in 2003, because reporting standards were not met.
- In 2011, Hispanic students had an average score that was 16 points lower than White students. Data are not reported for Hispanic students in 2003, because reporting standards were not met.
- In 2011, female students in South Dakota had an average score that was higher than male students by 8 points.
- In 2011, students who were eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch, an indicator of low family income, had an average score that was 18 points lower than students who were not eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 2003 (13 points).