

Advanced Placement Examination Results in Texas and the United States , 2021-22

This report presents Advanced Placement (AP) examination participation and performance data for students in Texas and the United States in public and nonpublic schools combined. AP examination results are used

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the College Board offered AP examinations in 2021 in both digital and paper formats. All examinations were full length and covered the full scope of AP course content (College Board, 2021f). In 2022, the College Board offered AP examinations in paper format only (College Board, 2022f). For further information, please see *Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate General Information, 2021-22* (TEA, forthcomingb).

Advanced Placement Results for Texas and the United States

In the 2021-22 school year a total of 321,876 students in all grades in Texas public and nonpublic schools took 577,350 Advanced Placement (AP) examinations (Table 1). Texas ranked second in the nation in both number of AP examinees and number of AP examinations taken (Table 3).

Between 2020-21 and 2021-22, the number of AP examinations taken increased by 9.5 percent in Texas, compared to 4.4 percent in the United States as a whole (Table 1). The number of AP examinations with scores in the 3 range increased by 19.2 percent in Texas and by 13.3 percent in the United States. The percentage of examinations with scores in the 3 range increased by 4.0 percentage points in Texas and by 4.7 percentage points in the United States.

In 2021-22, the percentage of AP examinees who reported their race/ethnicity to the College Board as African American, American Indian, Asian, Hispanic, Pacific Islander, or multiracial was considerably higher in Texas (69.2%) than the United States as a whole (49.9%) (Table 2 on page 4). In large part, the difference reflects the higher percentage of Hispanic AP examinees in Texas (15.2%), compared to the United States (3.4%).

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Table 1
Advanced Placement (AP) Examination Trends, Texas and the United States,

Table 2
 Advanced Placement (AP) Examinees, by Grade Level, Race/Ethnicity, and Gender, Texas and the United States, 2021-22

Examinee group	Texas examinee (N)	U.S. examinee (N)	Texas examinee (%)	U.S. examinee (%)	Texas change from previous year (percentage point)	U.S. change from previous year (percentage point)
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Table 3 (continued)
 Advanced Placement (AP) Examination Results, by State and the United States, 2021-22

State	Examinees (N)	Change in examinees or previous year (%)	Exam: (N)	Exam: scoring 3-5 (%)
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Table 4
 Advanced Placement (AP) Examination Results, Grades 11 and 12, Four Most Populous States and
 the United States, 2021-22

State	Enrollment (N)	Students taking at least 1 AP exam (%)	Examinees (N)	Change in examinees from previous year (%)	Exam: (N)	Exam: scoring 3-5 (%)
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Table 5
Advanced Placement (AP) Examinations and Scores, by Subject, Texas and the United States, 2021-22



Table 5 (continued)

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