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## About This Report

This report provides educators and policymakers with information they can use to celebrate their successes, understand their unique challenges, and set meaningful goals to increase opportunity for all students. It's important to note that while AP Exams are valid measures of students' content mastery of college-level studies in specific academic disciplines, AP results should never be used as the sole measure for gauging educational excellence and equity.

Because reliable demographic data for nonpublic schools are not available for all states, this report represents public school students only. Additionally, this report looks at students' entire experience with AP - tracking exams taken by graduates throughout their high school careers - as opposed to reporting exam results from a particular calendar year.

Additional data are available at apreport.collegeboard.org.

## Figure $1 \mid$ Growth in AP ${ }^{\oplus}$ participation and success

- Number of graduates leaving high school having taken an AP® Exam
- Number of graduates scoring 3+ on an AP Exam during high school



# More graduates 

are succeeding on AP Exams today than took them in 2002

## Figure 2 | Participation in and success on AP Exams in the class of 2012

- Percentage of graduates leaving high school having taken an AP Exam
- Percentage of graduates scoring 3+ on an AP Exam during high school



# History and social sciences 

had the greatest number of graduates scoring a 3 or higher

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Figure 3 | Score distributions of AP Exams taken by the class of 2012 during high school

${ }^{+}$Due to rounding, percentages do not always add up to 100.0 .

* AP Italian Language and Culture was discontinued after the 2008-09 school year, and was reinstated in 2011-12.

Discontinued subjects, as well as those with fewer than five AP Exam takers, were omitted from this figure.

## Low Income

## Figure 4 | Trends in AP Exam participation and success

The percentage or number of ...

- graduates leaving high school having taken an AP Exam
- graduates scoring 3+ on an AP Exam during high school
... who are from low-income backgrounds

15,614<br>exams were taken by low-income graduates in the class of 2012



## Black/African American

## Figure 5 | Trends in AP Exam participation and success

The percentage or number of ...

- students in the graduating class
- graduates leaving high school having taken an AP Exam
- graduates scoring 3+ on an AP Exam during high school
... who are black/African American

5,832
black/African American graduates in the class of 2012 took an AP Exam during high school


## Hispanic/Latino

## Figure 6 | Trends in AP Exam participation and success

The percentage or number of ...

- students in the graduating class
- graduates leaving high school having taken an AP Exam
- graduates scoring 3+ on an AP Exam during high school
... who are Hispanic/Latino

2,142
Hispanic/Latino graduates in the class of 2012 took an AP Exam during high school


## American Indian/ Alaska Native

## Figure 7 | Trends in AP Exam participation and success

The percentage or number of ...

- students in the graduating class
- graduates leaving high school having taken an AP Exam
- graduates scoring 3+ on an AP Exam during high school
... who are American Indian/Alaska Native

128
American Indian/ Alaska Native graduates in the class of 2012 took an AP Exam during high school


## Asian/Asian American/ Pacific Islander

## Figure 8 | Trends in AP Exam participation and success

The percentage or number of ...

- students in the graduating class
- graduates leaving high school having taken an AP Exam
- graduates scoring 3+ on an AP Exam during high school
... who are Asian/Asian American/Pacific Islander

2,850
Asian/Asian
American/Pacific
Islander graduates in the class of 2012
took an AP Exam during high school


## White

## Figure 9 | Trends in AP Exam participation and success

The percentage or number of ...

- students in the graduating class
- graduates leaving high school having taken an AP Exam
- graduates scoring 3+ on an AP Exam during high school
... who are white

14,071 white graduates in the class of 2012 took an AP Exam during high school



## About the College Board

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[^0]:    * The AP Computer Science AB, French Literature, and Latin Literature Exams were last offered in the 2008-09 school year. AP Italian Language and Culture was discontinued after the 2008-09 school year, and was reinstated in 2011-12.

