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2006–2007 COLLEGE-BOUND HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORES SUMMARY REPORT

Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test

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TABLE 1: NUMBER OF SOPHOMORES TAKING THE PSAT/NMSQT®

	TOTAL GROUP - ALL SCHOOLS		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Male	659,909	47.5	134,811	47.6	30,289	48.5
Female	730,012	52.5	148,222	52.4	32,115	51.5
No Response	3,880		950		257	
Total	1,393,801		283,983		62,661	

TABLE 2: ETHNIC BACKGROUND

	TOTAL GROUP - ALL SCHOOLS		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
American Indian or Alaska Native	9,712	0.7	1,521	0.6	436	0.7
Asian, Asian American, or Pacific Islander	98,557	7.4	20,506	7.7	3,331	5.6
Black or African American	231,784	17.4	55,788	20.9	19,229	32.2
Hispanic, Latino, or Latin American	246,879	18.5	35,931	13.4	3,834	6.4
White	697,814	52.3	141,446	52.9	30,687	51.3
Other	50,753	3.8	12,232	4.6	2,261	3.8
No Response	58,302		16,559		2,883	

TABLE 3: PARTICIPATING IN STUDENT SEARCH SERVICE®

	TOTAL GROUP - ALL SCHOOLS		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	1,230,856	88.3	249,846	88.0	54,094	86.3
No	162,945	11.7	34,137	12.0	8,567	13.7

TABLE 4: SELF-REPORTED GRADE AVERAGE

	TOTAL GROUP - ALL SCHOOLS		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
A+ (97-100)	44,978	3.6	8,736	3.5	1,325	2.3
A (93-96)	218,617	17.4	41,352	16.5	6,967	12.3
A- (90-92)	216,489	17.2	43,594	17.4	8,075	14.3
B+ (87-89)	212,175	16.9	43,394	17.3	9,370	16.6
B (83-86)	219,916	17.5	42,753	17.1	11,143	19.7
B- (80-82)	121,194	9.6	24,285	9.7	6,385	11.3
C+ (77-79)	104,117	8.3	20,388	8.1	6,158	10.9
C (73-76)	72,728	5.8	13,832	5.5	4,536	8.0
C- (70-72)	26,362	2.1	6,272	2.5	1,626	2.9
D+ (67-69)	10,402	0.8	3,251	1.3	563	1.0
D (65-66)	7,170	0.6	2,033	0.8	323	0.6
E or F (Below 65)	3,327	0.3	851	0.3	143	0.3
No Response	136,326		33,242		6,047	

TABLE 5: YEAR COMPLETING HIGH SCHOOL AND ENTERING COLLEGE

	TOTAL GROUP - ALL SCHOOLS		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2007	2,859	0.2	698	0.3	79	0.1
2008	41,505	3.1	9,362	3.4	1,485	2.4
2009	1,255,585	92.6	253,566	92.7	56,559	92.9
After 2009	45,030	3.3	8,164	3.0	2,058	3.4
Not Planning College	10,838	0.8	1,715	0.6	733	1.2
No Response	37,984		10,478		1,747	

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TABLE 6: PSAT/NMSQT® SCORES - CRITICAL READING

	TOTAL GROUP - ALL SCHOOLS		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	4,122	0.3	920	0.3	172	0.3
70-74	9,818	0.7	1,989	0.7	423	0.7
65-69	31,382	2.3	6,135	2.2	1,343	2.1
60-64	59,601	4.3	11,834	4.2	2,455	3.9
55-59	103,172	7.4	21,438	7.6	3,978	6.4
50-54	152,823	11.0	31,567	11.1	5,972	9.5
45-49	208,884	15.0	43,662	15.4	8,181	13.1
40-44	240,925	17.3	48,683	17.1	10,545	16.8
35-39	255,883	18.4	50,958	17.9	12,405	19.8
30-34	181,797	13.0	37,135	13.1	9,320	14.9
25-29	78,742	5.7	16,093	5.7	4,124	6.6
20-24	66,339	4.8	13,488	4.8	3,722	5.9
TOTAL	1,393,488		283,902		62,640	
Mean Score	42.6		42.6		41.4	
STD. DEV.	11.1		11.1		11.3	

MATH

	TOTAL GROUP - ALL SCHOOLS		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	6,380	0.5	1,398	0.5	248	0.4
70-74	10,558	0.8	2,178	0.8	359	0.6
65-69	32,224	2.3	6,436	2.3	1,299	2.1
60-64	74,863	5.4	15,758	5.6	2,672	4.3
55-59	113,531	8.2	22,663	8.0	4,258	6.8
50-54	160,564	11.5	33,376	11.8	5,929	9.5
45-49	225,871	16.2	44,188	15.6	9,111	14.6
40-44	242,937	17.4	48,082	16.9	10,573	16.9
35-39	200,972	14.4	41,121	14.5	9,532	15.2
30-34	175,616	12.6	36,430	12.8	9,458	15.1
25-29	103,136	7.4	22,093	7.8	6,143	9.8
20-24	46,003	3.3	10,014	3.5	2,983	4.8
TOTAL	1,392,655		283,737		62,565	
Mean Score	43.5		43.3		41.6	
STD. DEV.	11.3		11.4		11.4	

WRITING SKILLS

	TOTAL GROUP - ALL SCHOOLS		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	2,560	0.2	535	0.2	126	0.2
70-74	4,547	0.3	1,031	0.4	157	0.3
65-69	25,179	1.8	5,193	1.8	1,092	1.8
60-64	33,789	2.4	6,841	2.4	1,390	2.2
55-59	85,050	6.1	16,760	5.9	3,383	5.4
50-54	136,996	9.9	27,681	9.8	4,976	8.0
45-49	210,556	15.2	41,811	14.8	8,315	13.4
40-44	225,975	16.3	44,347	15.7	9,474	15.2
35-39	235,084	17.0	48,459	17.2	10,772	17.3
30-34	207,886	15.0	43,442	15.4	10,719	17.2
25-29	125,422	9.1	26,731	9.5	6,710	10.8
20-24	92,336	6.7	19,228	6.8	5,054	8.1
TOTAL	1,385,380		282,059		62,168	
Mean Score	40.8		40.6		39.5	
STD. DEV.	11.0		11.0		11.1	

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TABLE 6: PSAT/NMSQT® SCORES - MALE - CRITICAL READING

	TOTAL GROUP - ALL SCHOOLS		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	2,010	0.3	479	0.4	79	0.3
70-74	4,840	0.7	994	0.7	198	0.7
65-69	15,022	2.3	2,920	2.2	627	2.1
60-64	28,082	4.3	5,669	4.2	1,156	3.8
55-59	47,210	7.2	9,983	7.4	1,848	6.1
50-54	68,502	10.4	14,151	10.5	2,732	9.0
45-49	93,796	14.2	19,904	14.8	3,681	12.2
40-44	109,432	16.6	22,290	16.5	4,819	15.9
35-39	120,443	18.3	24,034	17.8	5,951	19.7
30-34	91,023	13.8	18,537	13.8	4,803	15.9
25-29	42,167	6.4	8,483	6.3	2,241	7.4
20-24	37,182	5.6	7,318	5.4	2,138	7.1
TOTAL	659,709		134,762		30,273	
Mean Score	42.1		42.2		40.8	
STD. DEV.	11.4		11.4		11.5	

MALE - MATH

	TOTAL GROUP - ALL SCHOOLS		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	4,507	0.7	985	0.7	183	0.6
70-74	7,067	1.1	1,430	1.1	228	0.8
65-69	20,118	3.1	4,086	3.0	798	2.6
60-64	42,148	6.4	9,019	6.7	1,468	4.9
55-59	58,055	8.8	11,817	8.8	2,246	7.4
50-54	76,079	11.5	15,999	11.9	2,953	9.8
45-49	102,732	15.6	20,091	14.9	4,255	14.1
40-44	106,625	16.2	21,253	15.8	4,766	15.8
35-39	88,382	13.4	18,038	13.4	4,344	14.4
30-34	80,651	12.2	16,510	12.3	4,449	14.7
25-29	49,694	7.5	10,477	7.8	2,993	9.9
20-24	23,117	3.5	4,959	3.7	1,539	5.1
TOTAL	659,175		134,664		30,222	
Mean Score	44.1		44.1		42.1	
STD. DEV.	11.9		12.0		12.0	

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MALE - WRITING SKILLS

	TOTAL GROUP - ALL SCHOOLS		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	928	0.1	199	0.1	31	0.1
70-74	1,748	0.3	397	0.3	61	0.2
65-69	9,859	1.5	2,018	1.5	429	1.4
60-64	13,608	2.1	2,767	2.1	551	1.8
55-59	35,428	5.4	7,000	5.2	1,423	4.7
50-54	58,916	9.0	11,920	8.9	2,184	7.3
45-49	93,773	14.3	18,806	14.1	3,729	12.4
40-44	103,120	15.8	20,323	15.2	4,325	14.4
35-39	111,610	17.0	23,071	17.3	5,104	17.0
30-34	105,728	16.1	22,042	16.5	5,541	18.5
25-29	68,152	10.4	14,367	10.8	3,689	12.3
20-24	51,802	7.9	10,726	8.0	2,893	9.7
TOTAL	654,672		133,636		29,960	
Mean Score	39.8		39.6		38.4	
STD. DEV.	10.9		11.0		11.0	

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TABLE 6: PSAT/NMSQT® SCORES - FEMALE - CRITICAL READING

	TOTAL GROUP - ALL SCHOOLS		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	2,110	0.3	440	0.3	93	0.3
70-74	4,964	0.7	991	0.7	223	0.7
65-69	16,322	2.2	3,206	2.2	714	2.2
60-64	31,449	4.3	6,148	4.1	1,293	4.0
55-59	55,839	7.7	11,428	7.7	2,117	6.6
50-54	84,095	11.5	17,373	11.7	3,228	10.1
45-49	114,707	15.7	23,670	16.0	4,475	13.9
40-44	130,987	17.9	26,285	17.7	5,697	17.7
35-39	134,640	18.4	26,726	18.0	6,398	19.9
30-34	89,974	12.3	18,388	12.4	4,467	13.9
25-29	36,156	5.0	7,500	5.1	1,850	5.8
20-24	28,660	3.9	6,035	4.1	1,555	4.8
TOTAL	729,903		148,190		32,110	
Mean Score	43.1		43.0		42.0	
STD. DEV.	10.9		10.9		11.1	

FEMALE - MATH

	TOTAL GROUP - ALL SCHOOLS		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	1,863	0.3	412	0.3	65	0.2
70-74	3,484	0.5	747	0.5	131	0.4
65-69	12,063	1.7	2,341	1.6	499	1.6
60-64	32,628	4.5	6,723	4.5	1,197	3.7
55-59	55,319	7.6	10,816	7.3	1,999	6.2
50-54	84,243	11.5	17,306	11.7	2,965	9.2
45-49	122,740	16.8	24,007	16.2	4,826	15.0
40-44	135,763	18.6	26,706	18.0	5,771	18.0
35-39	111,931	15.3	22,923	15.5	5,152	16.1
30-34	94,221	12.9	19,733	13.3	4,955	15.4
25-29	52,835	7.2	11,460	7.7	3,111	9.7
20-24	22,523	3.1	4,954	3.3	1,416	4.4
TOTAL	729,613		148,128		32,087	
Mean Score	42.9		42.7		41.2	
STD. DEV.	10.7		10.8		10.9	

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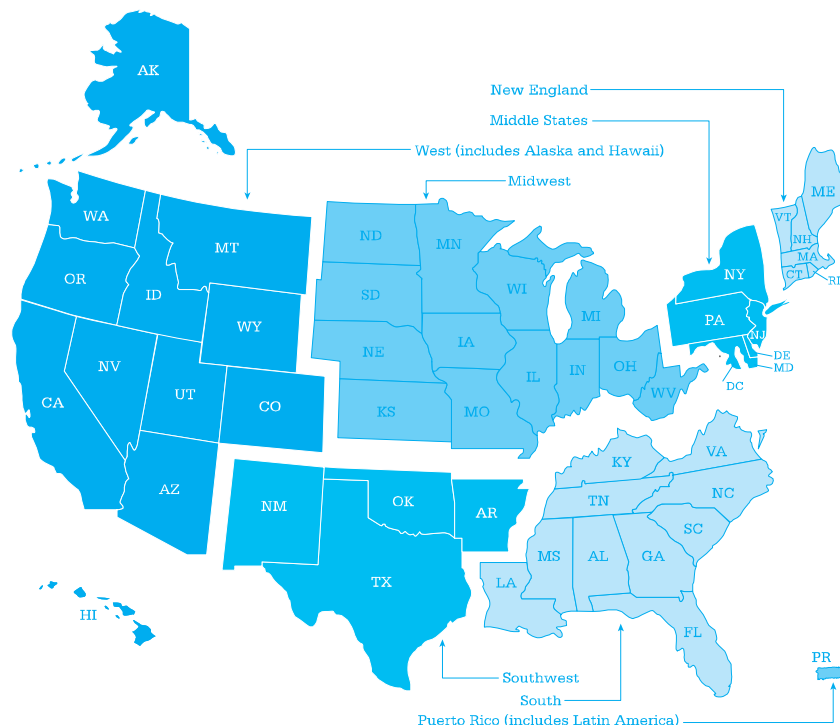
FEMALE - WRITING SKILLS

	TOTAL GROUP - ALL SCHOOLS		MIDDLE STATES		MARYLAND	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	1,631	0.2	335	0.2	95	0.3
70-74	2,794	0.4	634	0.4	96	0.3
65-69	15,298	2.1	3,169	2.1	662	2.1
60-64	20,147	2.8	4,065	2.8	835	2.6
55-59	49,527	6.8	9,741	6.6	1,954	6.1
50-54	77,900	10.7	15,723	10.7	2,782	8.7
45-49	116,453	16.0	22,941	15.6	4,558	14.3
40-44	122,432	16.8	23,936	16.2	5,125	16.0
35-39	122,820	16.9	25,214	17.1	5,621	17.6
30-34	101,327	13.9	21,184	14.4	5,127	16.0
25-29	56,610	7.8	12,185	8.3	2,977	9.3
20-24	39,980	5.5	8,374	5.7	2,125	6.6
TOTAL	726,919		147,501		31,957	
Mean Score	41.8		41.6		40.6	
STD. DEV.	10.9		11.0		11.1	

TABLE 7: COLLEGE MAJOR

	TOTAL GROUP - ALL SCHOOLS			MIDDLE STATES			MARYLAND		
	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %
Agriculture Sciences	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.9
Architecture	2.5	3.9	1.4	2.2	3.4	1.2	2.2	3.3	1.2
Area/Ethnic/Cultural Studies	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Biological Sciences	4.0	3.6	4.4	4.2	3.8	4.6	4.3	3.6	4.8
Business Management	7.9	10.1	6.1	8.9	11.8	6.5	8.6	11.1	6.4
Communication & Journalism	2.8	1.9	3.5	3.2	2.3	3.9	3.0	2.1	3.7
Computer/Information Science	1.3	2.4	0.4	1.5	2.8	0.4	2.0	3.5	0.6
Education	3.9	1.1	6.2	4.5	1.5	7.2	3.7	1.0	6.1
Engineering	7.7	14.7	1.7	6.5	12.4	1.5	7.7	14.4	1.8
Engineering Technologies	3.1	6.0	0.7	3.1	5.9	0.7	3.8	7.0	0.9
English Language & Literature	1.1	0.6	1.4	1.3	0.7	1.7	1.2	0.7	1.6
Family/Consumer Sciences	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.8
Foreign Languages	0.7	0.5	0.9	0.7	0.5	0.9	0.7	0.5	0.9
Health Professions/Sciences	17.4	9.3	24.4	14.9	8.3	20.6	14.0	6.5	20.7
History	0.9	1.3	0.5	1.0	1.6	0.6	1.0	1.5	0.6
Legal Professions & Studies	3.6	3.0	4.1	4.0	3.4	4.5	3.4	2.7	4.1
Liberal Arts & Humanities	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3
Mathematics & Statistics	0.8	1.1	0.6	1.1	1.5	0.7	0.9	1.2	0.6
Multi/Interdisciplinary	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Natural Resources	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.3
Parks, Leisure & Fitness Studies	1.3	2.3	0.4	1.1	2.1	0.3	1.4	2.5	0.4
Personal & Culinary Services	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.7
Philosophy/Religious Studies	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.2
Physical Sciences	1.2	1.6	0.8	1.3	1.8	0.8	1.2	1.6	0.8
Psychology	3.3	1.5	4.9	3.5	1.5	5.2	3.2	1.4	4.8
Social Service Professions	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.6
Security/Protective Services	3.0	3.1	2.9	3.0	3.1	2.9	3.1	3.1	3.0
Social Sciences	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Theology/Religious Vocations	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Visual & Performing Arts	10.9	7.6	13.7	10.7	7.0	13.8	11.9	8.0	15.4
Other	4.4	4.8	3.9	4.0	4.4	3.7	5.1	5.5	4.7
Undecided	13.6	15.1	12.3	15.2	16.7	14.0	13.1	14.8	11.7
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