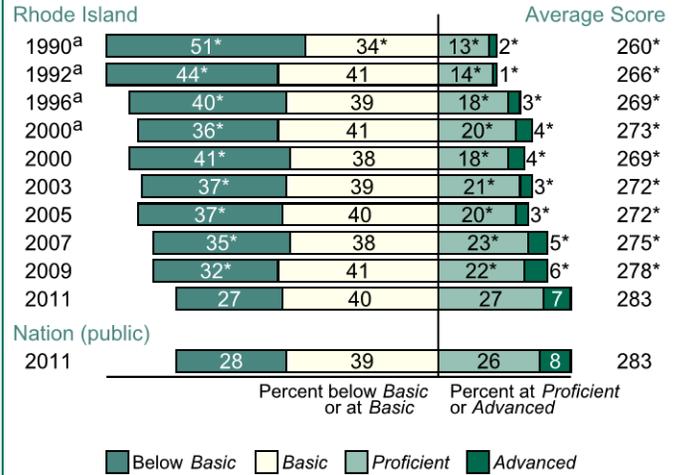


**Overall Results**

- In 2011, the average score of eighth-grade students in Rhode Island was 283. This was not significantly different from the average score of 283 for public school students in the nation.
- The average score for students in Rhode Island in 2011 (283) was higher than their average score in 2009 (278) and in 1990 (260).
- In 2011, the score gap between students in Rhode Island at the 75th percentile and students at the 25th percentile was 48 points. This performance gap was not significantly different from that of 1990 (50 points).
- The percentage of students in Rhode Island who performed at or above the NAEP *Proficient* level was 34 percent in 2011. This percentage was greater than that in 2009 (28 percent) and in 1990 (15 percent).
- The percentage of students in Rhode Island who performed at or above the NAEP *Basic* level was 73 percent in 2011. This percentage was greater than that in 2009 (68 percent) and in 1990 (49 percent).

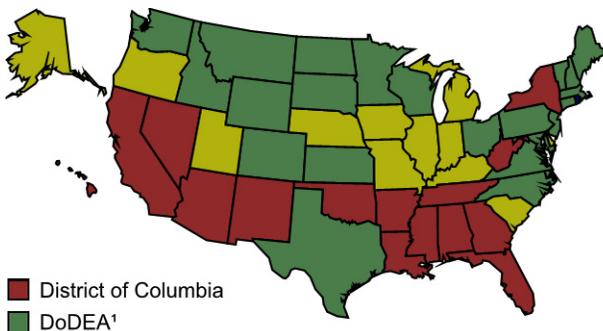
**Achievement-Level Percentages and Average Score Results**



\* Significantly different ( $p < .05$ ) from state's results in 2011. Significance tests were performed using unrounded numbers.  
<sup>a</sup> Accommodations not permitted. For information about NAEP accommodations, see <http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/about/inclusion.asp>.

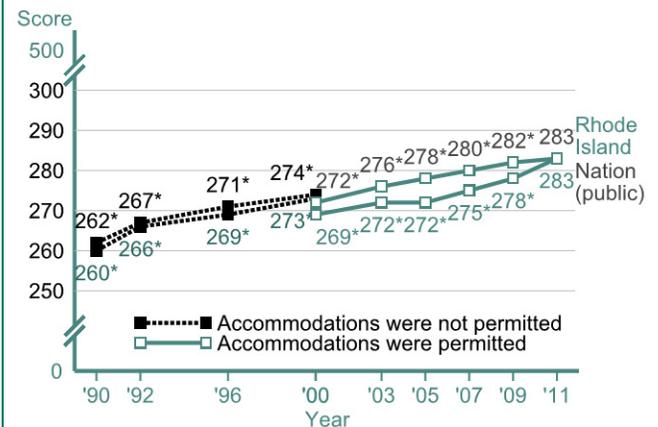
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**Compare the Average Score in 2011 to Other States/Jurisdictions**



<sup>1</sup> Department of Defense Education Activity (overseas and domestic schools).  
 In 2011, the average score in **Rhode Island** (283) was  
 ■ lower than those in 23 states/jurisdictions  
 ■ higher than those in 16 states/jurisdictions  
 ■ not significantly different from those in 12 states/jurisdictions

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



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**Results for Student Groups in 2011**

Reporting Groups	Percent of students	Avg. score	Percentages		Percent at Advanced
			at or above Basic	Proficient	
<b>School Race</b>					
White	68	292	82	42	10
Black	7	256	48	12	1
Hispanic	19	261	51	13	2
Asian	3	287	78	42	7
American Indian/Alaska Native	1	‡	‡	‡	‡
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	#	‡	‡	‡	‡
Two or more races	2	286	82	30	6
<b>Gender</b>					
Male	52	283	73	35	8
Female	48	283	74	33	6
<b>National School Lunch Program</b>					
Eligible	41	267	58	16	2
Not eligible	58	295	84	46	11

# 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 35 points lower than White students. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1990 (37 points).
- In 2011, Hispanic students had an average score that was 30 points lower than White students. This performance gap was narrower than that in 1990 (38 points).
- In 2011, male students in Rhode Island had an average score that was not significantly different from female students.
- In 2011, students who were eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch, an indicator of low family income, had an average score that was 28 points lower than students who were not eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1996 (27 points).