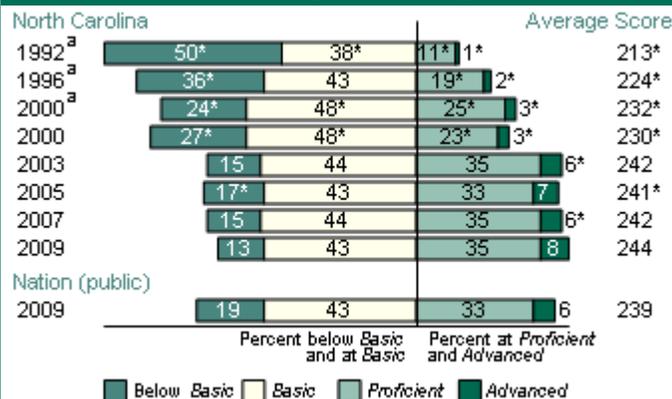


**Overall Results**

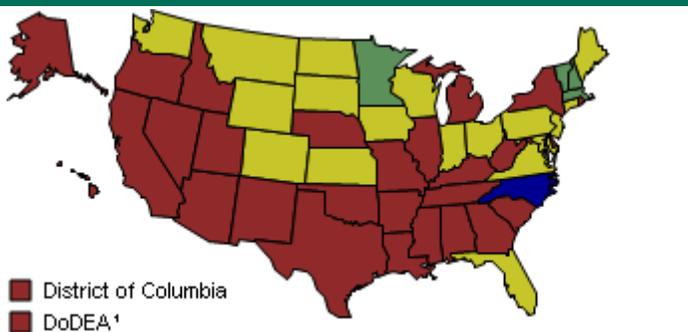
- In 2009, the average score of fourth-grade students in North Carolina was 244. This was higher than the average score of 239 for public school students in the nation.
- The average score for students in North Carolina in 2009 (244) was not significantly different from their average score in 2007 (242) and was higher than their average score in 1992 (213).
- In 2009, the score gap between students in North Carolina at the 75th percentile and students at the 25th percentile was 36 points. This performance gap was narrower than that of 1992 (45 points).
- The percentage of students in North Carolina who performed at or above the NAEP *Proficient* level was 43 percent in 2009. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2007 (41 percent) and was greater than that in 1992 (13 percent).
- The percentage of students in North Carolina who performed at or above the NAEP *Basic* level was 87 percent in 2009. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2007 (85 percent) and was greater than that in 1992 (50 percent).

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



\* Significantly different ( $p < .05$ ) from state's results in 2009.  
<sup>a</sup> Accommodations not permitted.  
 NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals because of rounding.

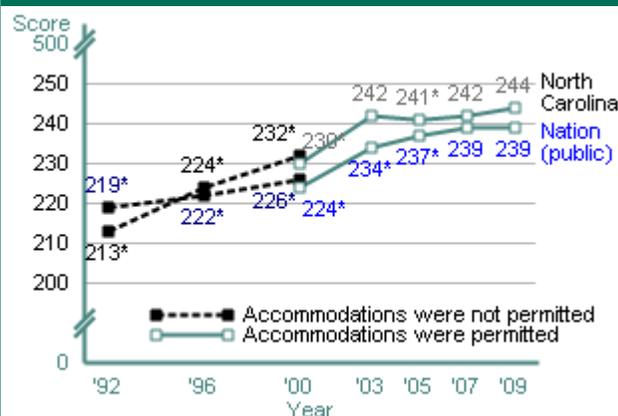
**Compare the Average Score in 2009 to Other States/Jurisdictions**



<sup>1</sup> Department of Defense Education Activity schools (domestic and overseas).  
 In 2009, the average score in **North Carolina** was

- lower than those in 4 states/jurisdictions
- higher than those in 29 states/jurisdictions
- not significantly different from those in 18 states/jurisdictions

**Compare the Average Score to Nation (public)**



\* Significantly different ( $p < .05$ ) from 2009.

**Results for Student Groups in 2009**

Reporting Groups	Percent of students	Avg. score	Percentages at or above		Percent at Advanced
			Basic	Proficient	
<b>Gender</b>					
Male	51	244	86	44	8
Female	49	244	87	42	8
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>					
White	54	254	95	59	13
Black	27	226	71	18	1
Hispanic	11	236	84	27	2
Asian/Pacific Islander	2	259	93	62	25
American Indian/Alaska Native	1	232	77	30	2
<b>National School Lunch Program</b>					
Eligible	48	232	78	25	2
Not eligible	51	255	94	60	14

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, and the "Unclassified" category for race/ethnicity are not displayed.

**Score Gaps for Student Groups**

- In 2009, male students in North Carolina had an average score that was not significantly different from that of female students. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1992 (1 point).
- In 2009, Black students had an average score that was 27 points lower than that of White students. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1992 (30 points).
- In 2009, Hispanic students had an average score that was 18 points lower than that of White students. Data are not reported for Hispanic students in 1992, because reporting standards were not met.
- In 2009, students who were eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch, an indicator of poverty, had an average score that was 22 points lower than that of students who were not eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1996 (25 points).