

Mississippi Subject Area Testing Program

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Percentage of Students Passing the Test

Test	Spring 2001 %>=SS300 ¹	Fall+Spring % Passing ² (2001/2002)	Fall+Spring % Passing (2002/2003)	Change 2001/2002 to 2002/2003
Algebra I	~70%	79.0%	81.5%	+2.5
Biology I	~77%	82.4%	85.7%	+3.3
U.S. History	~80%	93.7%	94.2%	+0.5
English II Multiple Choice	~56%	69.2%	77.4%	+8.2

¹Spring 2001 results back-mapped to the student standards set in August 2001.

²Spring 2002 and Combined Fall + Spring (2000 + 2001) results include a small number of students who failed the test in Fall 2001 and were taking the test as a retest.

Note: None of the Spring 2001 tests counted for graduation. The Fall 2001 and Spring 2002 Algebra 1 tests did not count for graduation for students taking the test in grades 9 or 10.

Mean Scale Score

Test	Fall+Spring (2000+2001)	Fall+Spring (2001+2002) ²	Fall+Spring (2002+2003)	Change 2001/2002 to 2002/2003
Algebra I	324.0 N=31,557	335.9 N=23,986	339.5 N=26,961	+3.6
Biology I	332.6 N=32,789	347.4 N=23,625	350.8 N=27,051	+3.4
U.S. History	337.9 N=27,249	359.7 N=25,874	363.0 N=25,984	+3.3
English II Multiple Choice	304.8 N=30,153	321.4 N=29,291	328.9 N=29,336	+7.5