



# School Report



## Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics Primary Division (Grades 1–3) and Junior Division (Grades 4–6), 2016–2017

**School: Poplar Bank PS (450073)**

**Board: York Region DSB (66095)**

On behalf of EQAO, I am pleased to provide you with the results of the 2016–2017 Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics for the primary (Grades 1–3) and junior (Grades 4–6) divisions. This report includes the 2016–2017 school and board results, as well as results from previous years, so you can track progress over time. You will also find demographic and attitudinal information, which provides context for interpreting achievement results.

By developing assessments that gauge student achievement against the learning expectations outlined in *The Ontario Curriculum*, EQAO ensures that every student in Ontario’s school system is assessed using the same yardstick at key stages in his or her schooling. In doing so, EQAO is able to provide reliable and objective data at the individual student, school and board levels that support educators in their professional practice.

Of course, the information that EQAO provides is not limited to student achievement results and also includes contextual, attitudinal and behavioural data. This wide range of data enables school and board communities to gain richer insights into students’ learning. By using EQAO data in conjunction with classroom and school-board information, educators across the province have been able to make evidence-based decisions in their planning and to monitor the progress of their initiatives. Because of this, EQAO data have served as a catalyst for improving student achievement since the inception of the agency, in 1996.

We hope you will find this report useful. It has been designed to assist you in your conversations about improving student learning. We look forward to continuing our partnership with you as we all work toward helping students meet, at the minimum, the provincial standard.

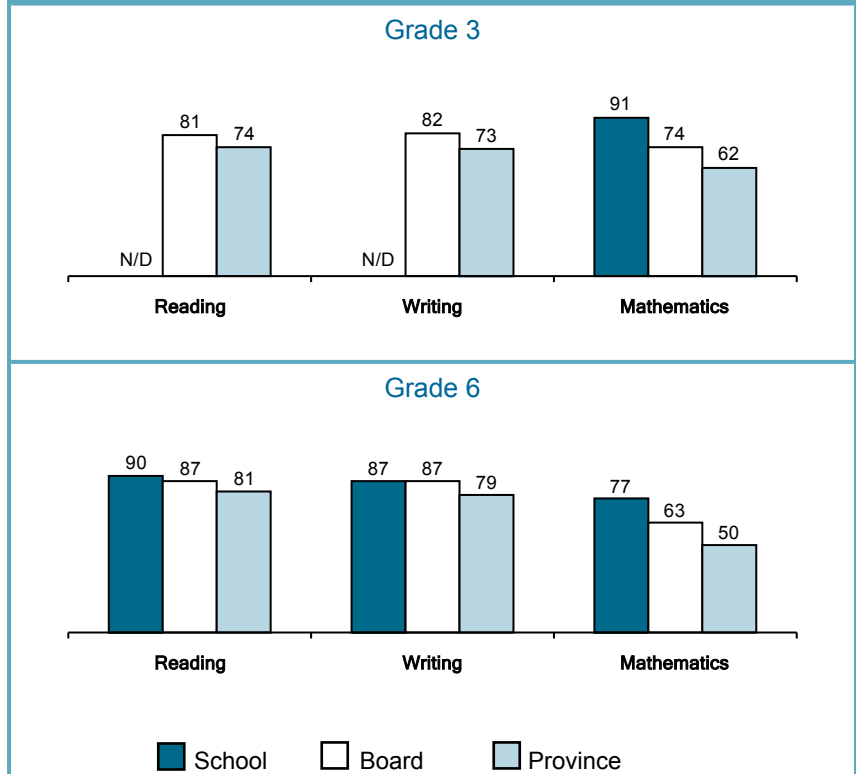
Sincerely,

Norah Marsh  
Chief Executive Officer  
Education Quality and Accountability Office

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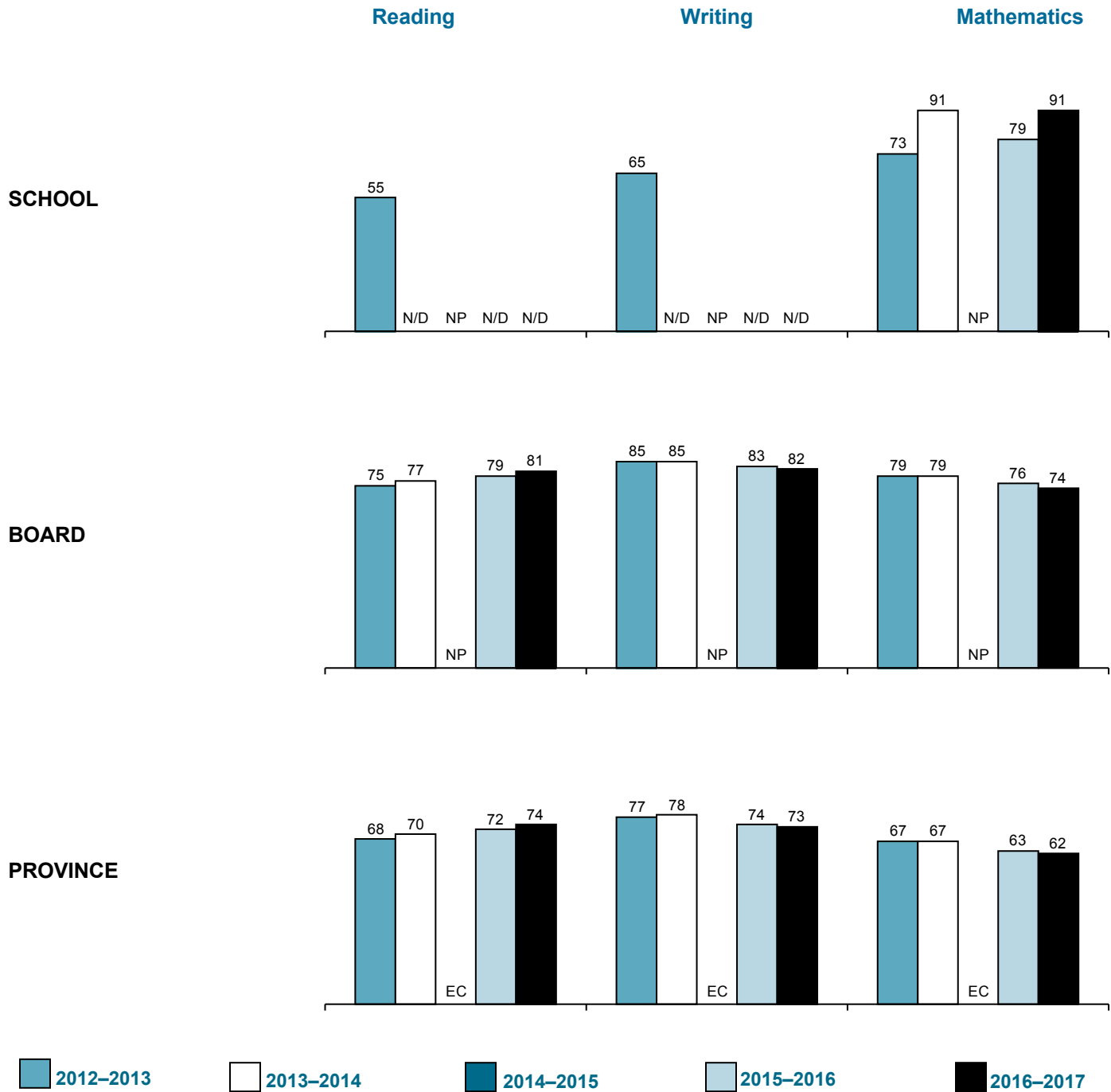
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**PERCENTAGE OF ALL STUDENTS AT OR ABOVE THE PROVINCIAL STANDARD (LEVELS 3 AND 4), 2016–2017**



**RESULTS FOR ALL STUDENTS AT OR ABOVE THE PROVINCIAL STANDARD (LEVELS 3 AND 4) OVER TIME**

**PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS: Grade 3**

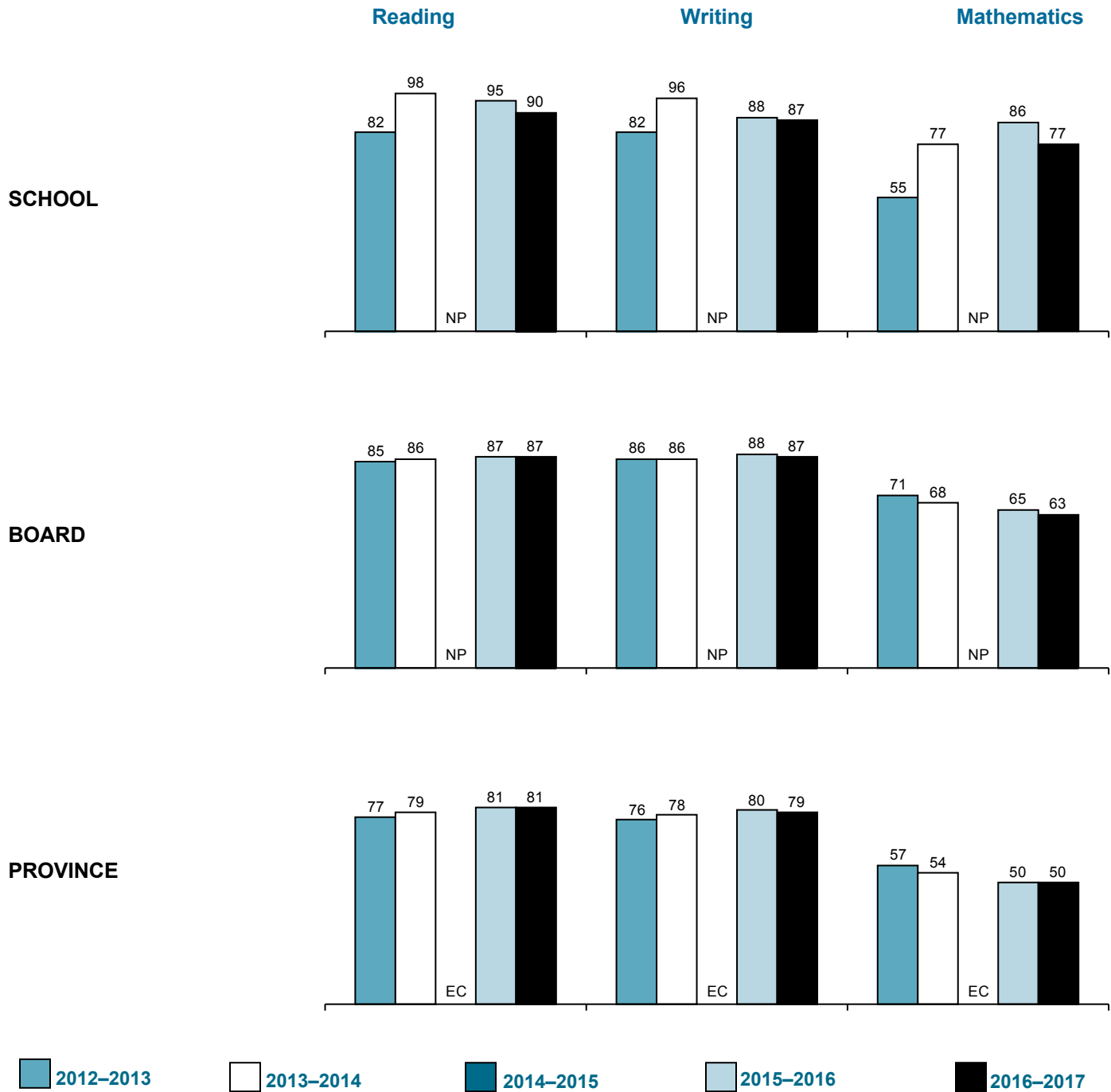


**Total Number of Grade 3 Students**

	<u>2012-2013</u>	<u>2013-2014</u>	<u>2014-2015</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
School	104	54	NP	62	58
Board	8 421	8 277	NP	8 888	8 604
Province	127 645	127 505	EC	125 484	132 992

RESULTS FOR ALL STUDENTS AT OR ABOVE THE PROVINCIAL STANDARD (LEVELS 3 AND 4) OVER TIME

PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS: Grade 6



Total Number of Grade 6 Students

	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017
School	83	47	NP	59	61
Board	8 538	8 701	NP	8 825	8 738
Province	131 589	127 286	EC	123 685	130 775

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## TIPS

Each school or board is unique. To appreciate the distinctive character of a school or board, look at the contextual information to understand the features and characteristics of the community it serves.



Every assessment captures the performance of students at one point in time each year. Consider the results along with other information about students' achievement in reading, writing and mathematics.



Exercise caution when interpreting results for small schools or boards. Results may vary considerably from year to year, and differences may look exaggerated. For example, in a school of 20 students, a difference of 10% represents only two students.



Trends may be difficult to identify or to interpret. This is especially true in small schools or boards, or in schools where there is a high turnover in the student population.



EQAO values students' privacy. Results are not reported publicly for schools or boards where fewer than 10 students participated because it might be possible to identify individual students.

## ABOUT THIS SCHOOL OR BOARD REPORT

This report shows how well students have met curriculum expectations to the end of the Primary Division and the end of the Junior Division. Students complete a set of test booklets that allow them to show what they have learned in reading, writing and mathematics. The assessments are based on *The Ontario Curriculum*.

**This report includes**

- ◆ results for this year;
- ◆ a comparison of results of the current and previous administrations to aid in monitoring improvement;
- ◆ information about the characteristics of the students who participated;
- ◆ summary graphs showing the percentage of students achieving the provincial standard in reading, writing and mathematics;
- ◆ detailed tables and graphs showing results for all levels of achievement, results for gender and participation information;
- ◆ student questionnaire results; and
- ◆ an explanation of all terms used in this report.

## HOW TO USE THIS REPORT

- ◆ Examine the contextual information to understand the similarities and differences between the school, the board and the province; the board and the province. Consider the challenges that any differences might present.
- ◆ Examine the results for reading, writing and mathematics.
  - Are these results consistent with what you would expect?
  - How do the school results compare to the board and the province; the board results compare to the province?
  - How do these results compare over time?
  - What influence might students' attitudes have on student performance (refer to the questionnaire results)?
- ◆ Speak to school or board staff about the goals for school improvement related to reading, writing and mathematics.

The Education Quality and Accountability Office is an independent agency that gathers information about student achievement through province-wide assessments. Each year, all Grade 3 and Grade 6 students across Ontario take part in these assessments of reading, writing and mathematics. Individual results are reported to students and to parents and guardians. School, board and provincial results are released publicly.

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**Contextual Information: Grade 3\***

This information provides a context for interpreting the school's results.

Demographic Information	School		Board		Province	
<b>Enrolment</b>						
Number of Grade 3 students	58		8 604		132 992	
Number of classes with Grade 3 students	3		725		10 098	
Number of schools with Grade 3 classes	Not applicable		174		3 317	
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
<b>Gender</b>						
Female	32	55%	4 079	47%	64 691	49%
Male	26	45%	4 525	53%	68 301	51%
Gender not specified	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
<b>Student Status</b>						
English language learners**	16	28%	2 666	31%	17 849	13%
Students with special education needs (excluding gifted)**	0	0%	909	11%	24 077	18%
<b>Place of Birth</b>						
Born in Canada	52	90%	7 525	87%	118 988	89%
Born outside Canada	6	10%	1 075	12%	13 723	10%
In Canada less than one year	0	0%	29	<1%	982	1%
In Canada one year or more but less than three years	0	0%	212	2%	3 323	2%
In Canada three years or more	6	10%	706	8%	8 591	6%
<b>Language</b>						
First language learned at home was other than English	22	38%	4 287	50%	28 979	22%
<b>Year Student Entered Current School</b>						
Year of the assessment	3	5%	1 229	14%	17 064	13%
Year prior to the assessment	4	7%	1 226	14%	14 673	11%
2 years prior to the assessment	51	88%	1 948	23%	19 187	14%
3 or more years prior to the assessment	0	0%	4 191	49%	81 933	62%
Data not available	0	0%	10	<1%	135	<1%
<b>Year Student Entered Current Board</b>						
Year of the assessment	2	3%	553	6%	8 285	6%
Year prior to the assessment	2	3%	555	6%	7 747	6%
2 years prior to the assessment	10	17%	1 173	14%	9 898	7%
3 or more years prior to the assessment	44	76%	6 309	73%	106 764	80%
Data not available	0	0%	14	<1%	298	<1%

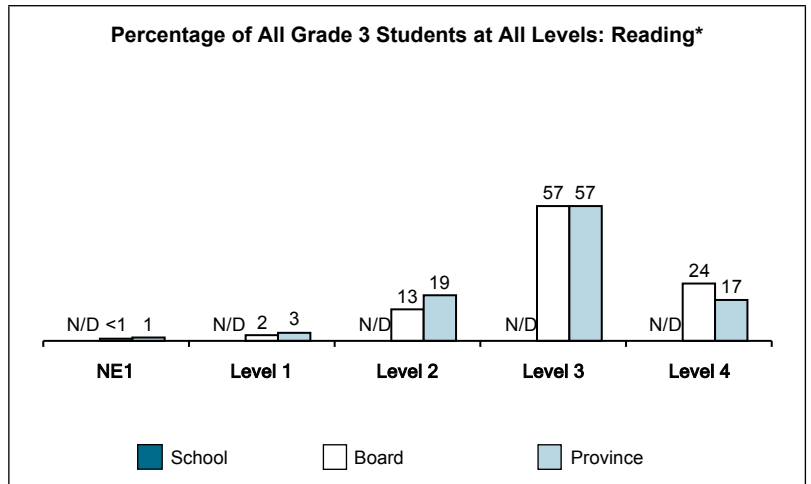
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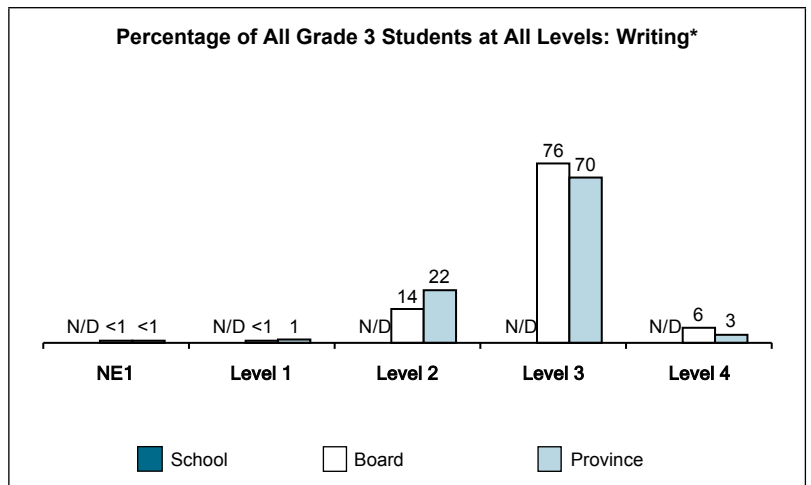
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Grade 3: All Students<sup>††</sup>

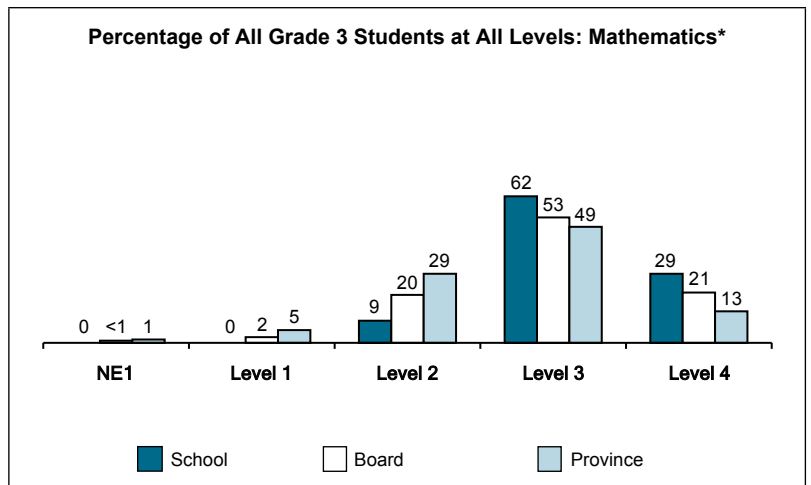
Grade 3: Reading*				
Number of Students	School N/D		Board 7 002	Province 126 016
	#	%	%	%
Level 4	N/D	N/D	24%	17%
Level 3	N/D	N/D	57%	57%
Level 2	N/D	N/D	13%	19%
Level 1	N/D	N/D	2%	3%
NE1**	N/D	N/D	<1%	1%
Participating Students	N/D	N/D	96%	97%
No Data	N/D	N/D	1%	1%
Exempt	N/D	N/D	3%	3%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) <sup>†</sup>		N/D	81%	74%



Grade 3: Writing*				
Number of Students	School N/D		Board 7 002	Province 126 036
	#	%	%	%
Level 4	N/D	N/D	6%	3%
Level 3	N/D	N/D	76%	70%
Level 2	N/D	N/D	14%	22%
Level 1	N/D	N/D	<1%	1%
NE1**	N/D	N/D	<1%	<1%
Participating Students	N/D	N/D	96%	97%
No Data	N/D	N/D	1%	1%
Exempt	N/D	N/D	3%	2%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) <sup>†</sup>		N/D	82%	73%



Grade 3: Mathematics*				
Number of Students	School 58		Board 8 604	Province 132 983
	#	%	%	%
Level 4	17	29%	21%	13%
Level 3	36	62%	53%	49%
Level 2	5	9%	20%	29%
Level 1	0	0%	2%	5%
NE1**	0	0%	<1%	1%
Participating Students	58	100%	97%	97%
No Data	0	0%	1%	1%
Exempt	0	0%	2%	2%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) <sup>†</sup>		91%	74%	62%

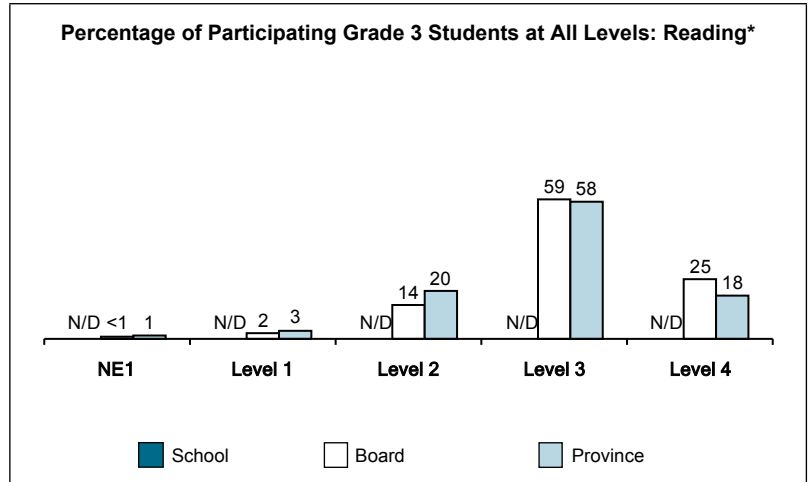


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 †† Some French Immersion students do not write all components of the assessment in Grade 3; the numbers shown reflect those students who were expected to write each component as determined by the French Immersion participation option selected by boards.

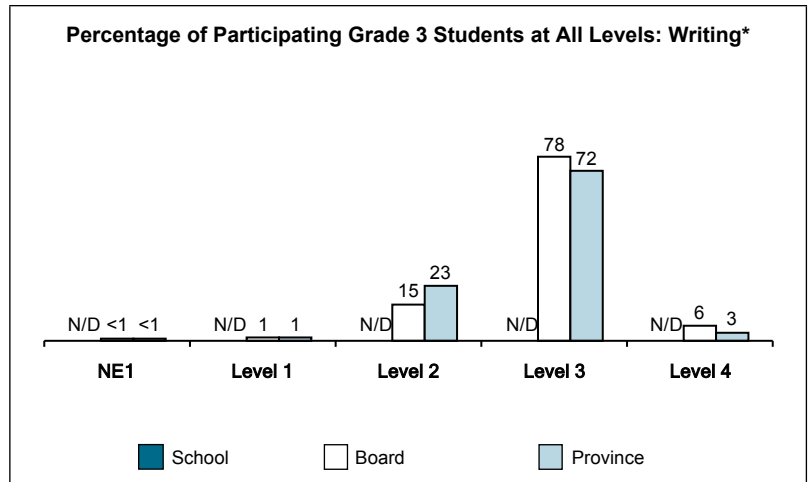
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**Grade 3: Participating Students (excludes “no data” and “exempt” categories)**

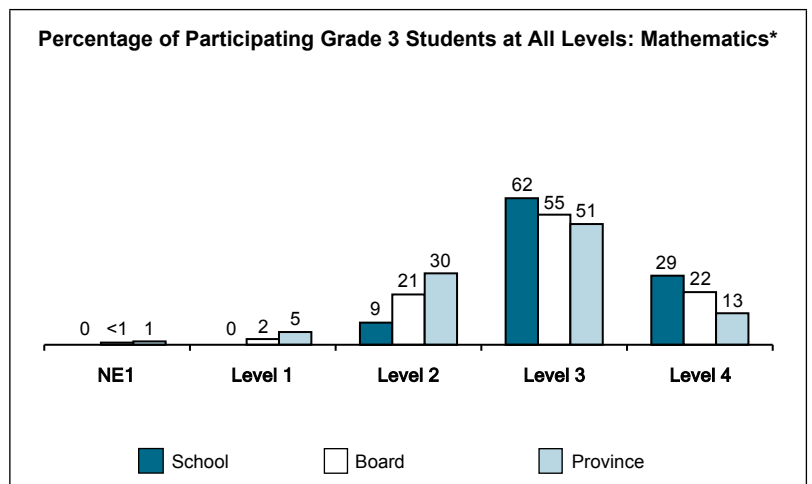
Grade 3: Reading*				
Number of Students	School N/D		Board 6 747	Province 122 003
	#	%	%	%
Level 4	N/D	N/D	25%	18%
Level 3	N/D	N/D	59%	58%
Level 2	N/D	N/D	14%	20%
Level 1	N/D	N/D	2%	3%
NE1**	N/D	N/D	<1%	1%
<b>At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†</b>		N/D	<b>84%</b>	<b>76%</b>



Grade 3: Writing*				
Number of Students	School N/D		Board 6 749	Province 122 199
	#	%	%	%
Level 4	N/D	N/D	6%	3%
Level 3	N/D	N/D	78%	72%
Level 2	N/D	N/D	15%	23%
Level 1	N/D	N/D	1%	1%
NE1**	N/D	N/D	<1%	<1%
<b>At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†</b>		N/D	<b>85%</b>	<b>76%</b>



Grade 3: Mathematics*				
Number of Students	School 58		Board 8 363	Province 129 191
	#	%	%	%
Level 4	17	29%	22%	13%
Level 3	36	62%	55%	51%
Level 2	5	9%	21%	30%
Level 1	0	0%	2%	5%
NE1**	0	0%	<1%	1%
<b>At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†</b>		<b>91%</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>64%</b>



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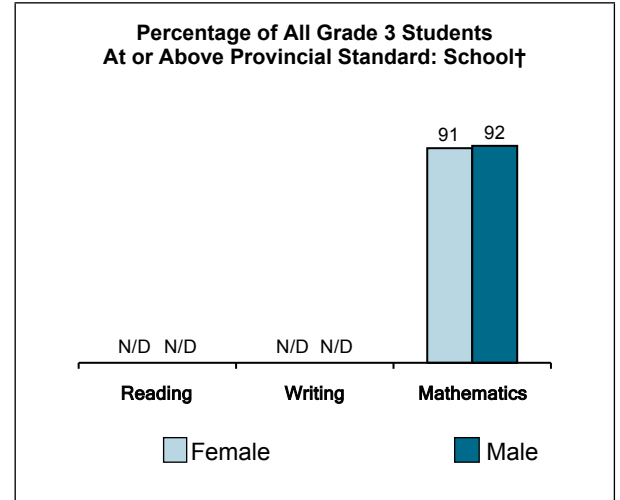
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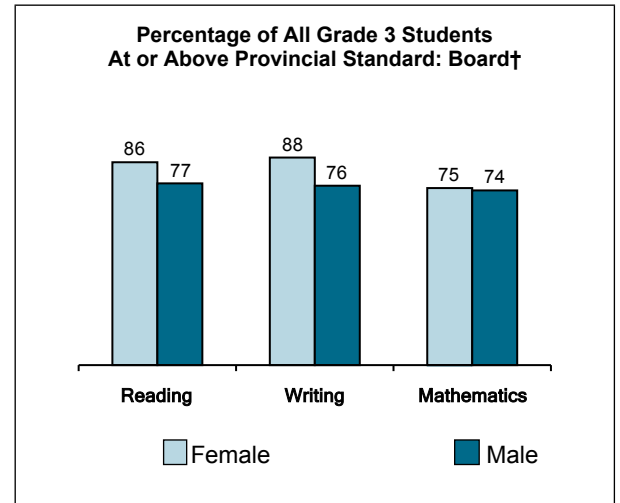
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Grade 3: Gender††

Grade 3: School*						
	Reading		Writing		Mathematics	
<i>Number of Students</i>	Female <i>N/D</i>	Male <i>N/D</i>	Female <i>N/D</i>	Male <i>N/D</i>	Female <b>32</b>	Male <b>26</b>
Level 4	N/D	N/D	N/D	N/D	28%	31%
Level 3	N/D	N/D	N/D	N/D	62%	62%
Level 2	N/D	N/D	N/D	N/D	9%	8%
Level 1	N/D	N/D	N/D	N/D	0%	0%
NEI**	N/D	N/D	N/D	N/D	0%	0%
<i>Participating Students</i>	N/D	N/D	N/D	N/D	100%	100%
No Data	N/D	N/D	N/D	N/D	0%	0%
Exempt	N/D	N/D	N/D	N/D	0%	0%
<b>At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†</b>	<b>N/D</b>	<b>N/D</b>	<b>N/D</b>	<b>N/D</b>	<b>91%</b>	<b>92%</b>



Grade 3: Board*						
	Reading		Writing		Mathematics	
<i>Number of Students</i>	Female <b>3 209</b>	Male <b>3 793</b>	Female <b>3 209</b>	Male <b>3 793</b>	Female <b>4 079</b>	Male <b>4 525</b>
Level 4	30%	19%	9%	4%	21%	22%
Level 3	55%	58%	79%	73%	54%	52%
Level 2	10%	16%	9%	18%	21%	19%
Level 1	1%	2%	<1%	1%	2%	2%
NEI**	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%
<i>Participating Students</i>	97%	95%	98%	95%	98%	96%
No Data	<1%	1%	1%	1%	<1%	1%
Exempt	2%	4%	2%	4%	1%	3%
<b>At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>74%</b>



Grade 3: Province*						
	Reading		Writing		Mathematics	
<i>Number of Students</i>	Female <b>60 812</b>	Male <b>65 204</b>	Female <b>60 817</b>	Male <b>65 219</b>	Female <b>64 685</b>	Male <b>68 298</b>
Level 4	22%	13%	5%	2%	12%	13%
Level 3	57%	57%	75%	65%	49%	49%
Level 2	17%	22%	17%	27%	31%	28%
Level 1	2%	3%	1%	1%	5%	5%
NEI**	<1%	1%	<1%	1%	<1%	1%
<i>Participating Students</i>	98%	96%	98%	96%	98%	96%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Exempt	2%	3%	2%	3%	2%	3%
<b>At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>63%</b>



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†† Results include only students for whom gender data were available.



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**Contextual Information: Grade 6\***

This information provides a context for interpreting the school's results.

Demographic Information	School		Board		Province	
<b>Enrolment</b>						
Number of Grade 6 students	61		8 738		130 775	
Number of classes with Grade 6 students	2		657		8 394	
Number of schools with Grade 6 classes	Not applicable		173		3 145	
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
<b>Gender</b>						
Female	34	56%	4 203	48%	63 445	49%
Male	27	44%	4 535	52%	67 330	51%
Gender not specified	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
<b>Student Status</b>						
English language learners**	4	7%	2 023	23%	14 238	11%
Students with special education needs (excluding gifted)**	4	7%	1 395	16%	28 345	22%
<b>Place of Birth</b>						
Born in Canada	55	90%	7 409	85%	114 230	87%
Born outside Canada	6	10%	1 326	15%	16 324	12%
In Canada less than one year	0	0%	26	<1%	786	1%
In Canada one year or more but less than three years	0	0%	157	2%	3 045	2%
In Canada three years or more	6	10%	1 046	12%	11 764	9%
<b>Language</b>						
First language learned at home was other than English	9	15%	4 181	48%	29 758	23%
<b>Year Student Entered Current School</b>						
Year of the assessment	5	8%	895	10%	27 713	21%
Year prior to the assessment	4	7%	901	10%	12 625	10%
2 years prior to the assessment	5	8%	1 125	13%	11 572	9%
3 or more years prior to the assessment	47	77%	5 814	67%	78 785	60%
Data not available	0	0%	3	<1%	80	<1%
<b>Year Student Entered Current Board</b>						
Year of the assessment	0	0%	484	6%	7 190	5%
Year prior to the assessment	2	3%	453	5%	6 480	5%
2 years prior to the assessment	3	5%	502	6%	5 705	4%
3 or more years prior to the assessment	56	92%	7 294	83%	109 729	84%
Data not available	0	0%	5	<1%	1 671	1%

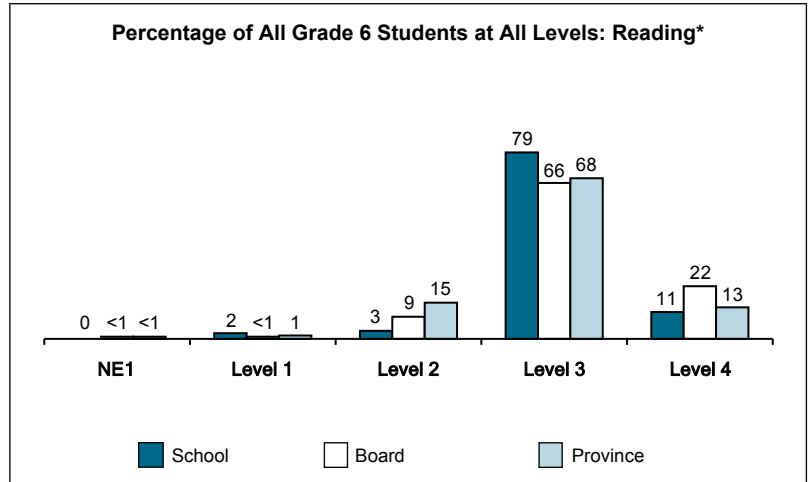
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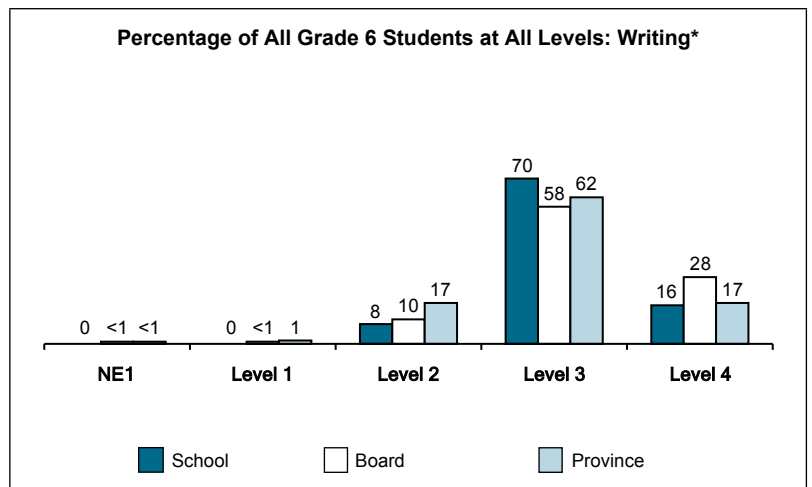
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**Grade 6: All Students**

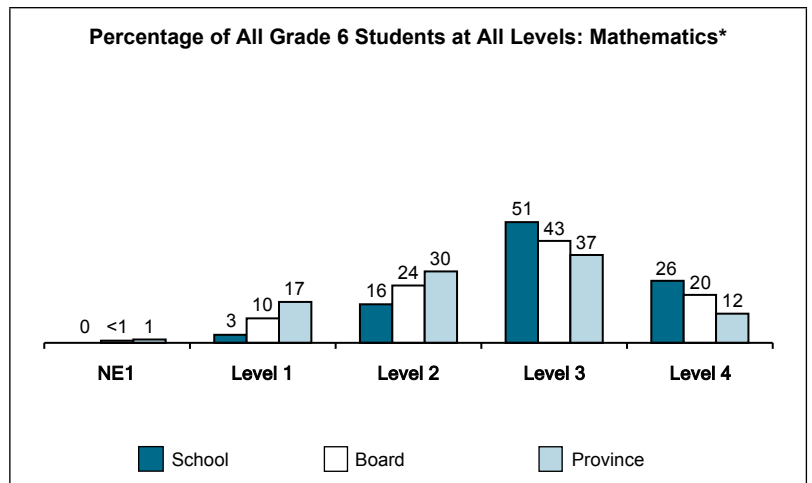
Grade 6: Reading*				
Number of Students	School 61		Board 8 738	Province 130 767
	#	%	%	%
Level 4	7	11%	22%	13%
Level 3	48	79%	66%	68%
Level 2	2	3%	9%	15%
Level 1	1	2%	<1%	1%
NE1**	0	0%	<1%	<1%
Participating Students	58	95%	97%	97%
No Data	3	5%	1%	1%
Exempt	0	0%	2%	2%
<b>At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†</b>		<b>90%</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>81%</b>



Grade 6: Writing*				
Number of Students	School 61		Board 8 738	Province 130 773
	#	%	%	%
Level 4	10	16%	28%	17%
Level 3	43	70%	58%	62%
Level 2	5	8%	10%	17%
Level 1	0	0%	<1%	1%
NE1**	0	0%	<1%	<1%
Participating Students	58	95%	97%	97%
No Data	3	5%	1%	1%
Exempt	0	0%	2%	2%
<b>At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†</b>		<b>87%</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>79%</b>



Grade 6: Mathematics*				
Number of Students	School 61		Board 8 738	Province 130 652
	#	%	%	%
Level 4	16	26%	20%	12%
Level 3	31	51%	43%	37%
Level 2	10	16%	24%	30%
Level 1	2	3%	10%	17%
NE1**	0	0%	<1%	1%
Participating Students	59	97%	97%	97%
No Data	2	3%	1%	1%
Exempt	0	0%	2%	2%
<b>At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†</b>		<b>77%</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>50%</b>



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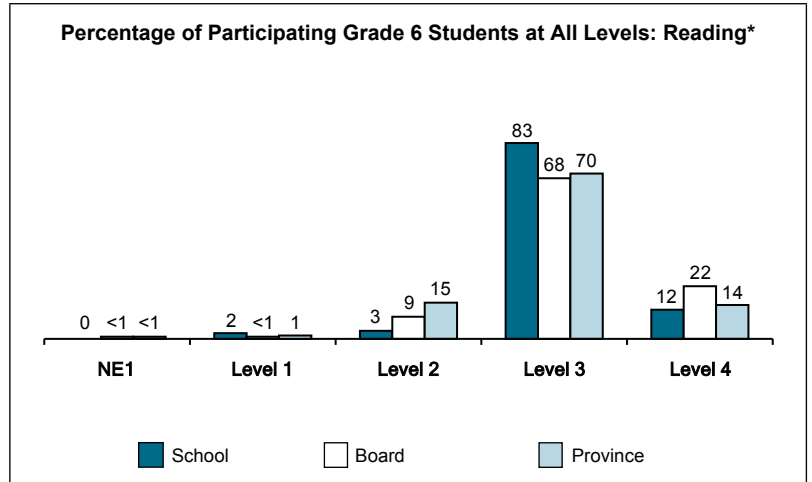
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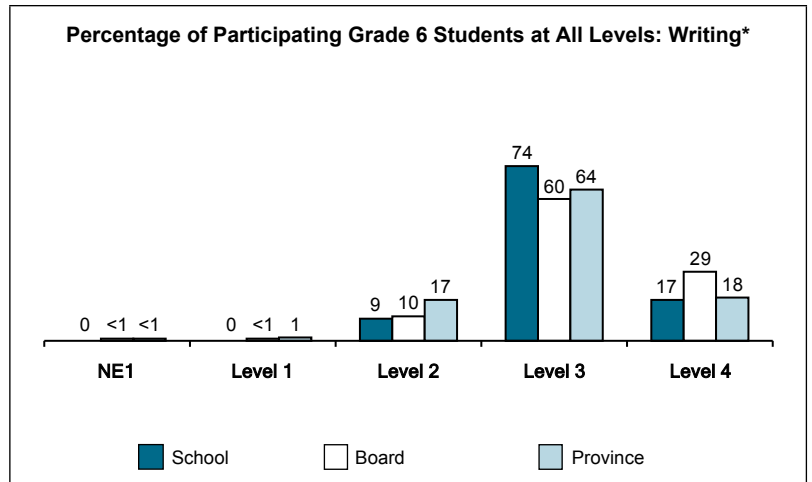
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**Grade 6: Participating Students (excludes “no data” and “exempt” categories)**

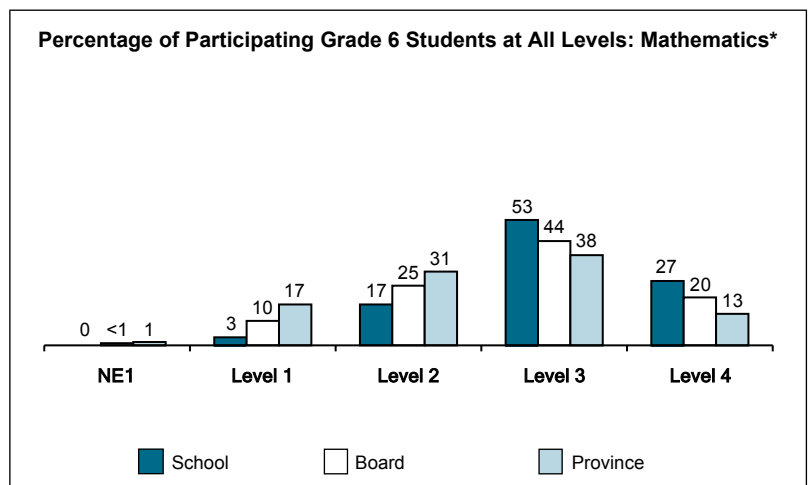
Grade 6: Reading*				
Number of Students	School 58		Board 8 492	Province 127 220
	#	%	%	%
Level 4	7	12%	22%	14%
Level 3	48	83%	68%	70%
Level 2	2	3%	9%	15%
Level 1	1	2%	<1%	1%
NE1**	0	0%	<1%	<1%
<b>At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†</b>		<b>95%</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>83%</b>



Grade 6: Writing*				
Number of Students	School 58		Board 8 501	Province 127 258
	#	%	%	%
Level 4	10	17%	29%	18%
Level 3	43	74%	60%	64%
Level 2	5	9%	10%	17%
Level 1	0	0%	<1%	1%
NE1**	0	0%	<1%	<1%
<b>At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†</b>		<b>91%</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>81%</b>



Grade 6: Mathematics*				
Number of Students	School 59		Board 8 514	Province 127 059
	#	%	%	%
Level 4	16	27%	20%	13%
Level 3	31	53%	44%	38%
Level 2	10	17%	25%	31%
Level 1	2	3%	10%	17%
NE1**	0	0%	<1%	1%
<b>At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†</b>		<b>80%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>51%</b>



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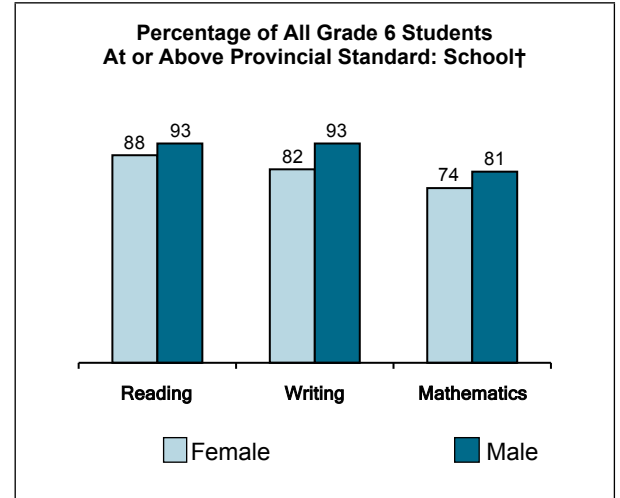
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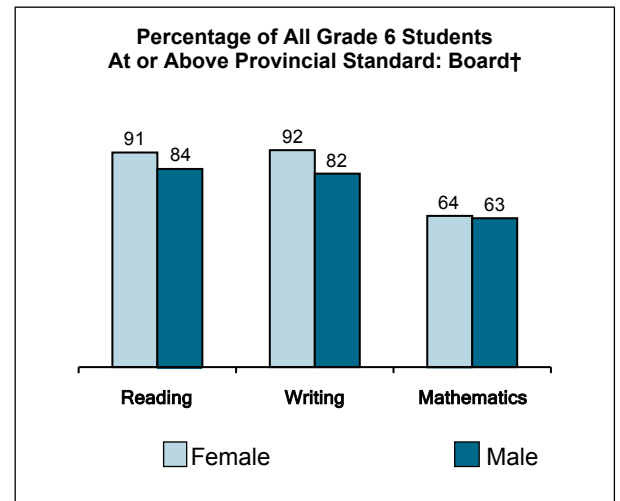
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Grade 6: Gender††

Grade 6: School*						
	Reading		Writing		Mathematics	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
<i>Number of Students</i>	34	27	34	27	34	27
Level 4	15%	7%	24%	7%	24%	30%
Level 3	74%	85%	59%	85%	50%	52%
Level 2	3%	4%	12%	4%	18%	15%
Level 1	3%	0%	0%	0%	3%	4%
NEI**	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
<i>Participating Students</i>	94%	96%	94%	96%	94%	100%
No Data	6%	4%	6%	4%	6%	0%
Exempt	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
<b>At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>81%</b>



Grade 6: Board*						
	Reading		Writing		Mathematics	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
<i>Number of Students</i>	4 203	4 535	4 203	4 535	4 203	4 535
Level 4	28%	16%	37%	20%	20%	20%
Level 3	64%	67%	55%	62%	44%	43%
Level 2	6%	12%	5%	14%	26%	23%
Level 1	<1%	1%	<1%	1%	9%	10%
NEI**	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%
<i>Participating Students</i>	98%	97%	98%	97%	98%	97%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Exempt	2%	3%	1%	3%	1%	2%
<b>At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†</b>	<b>91%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>92%</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>63%</b>



Grade 6: Province*						
	Reading		Writing		Mathematics	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
<i>Number of Students</i>	63 443	67 324	63 445	67 328	63 378	67 274
Level 4	18%	9%	24%	11%	12%	13%
Level 3	68%	67%	62%	62%	37%	37%
Level 2	11%	18%	11%	23%	32%	29%
Level 1	1%	1%	1%	1%	16%	17%
NEI**	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	1%
<i>Participating Students</i>	98%	97%	98%	97%	98%	97%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Exempt	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%
<b>At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>50%</b>



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†† Results include only students for whom gender data were available.

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**Contextual Information over Time: Grade 3\***

This information provides a context for interpreting the school's results of the current and previous administrations.

Grade 3	2012–2013	2013–2014	2014–2015	2015–2016	2016–2017
<b>Enrolment</b>					
Number of students	104	54	NP	62	58
<b>Participation in the Assessment</b>					
Reading†	100%	-	NP	-	-
Writing†	100%	-	NP	-	-
Mathematics†	100%	96%	NP	98%	100%
<b>Gender</b>					
Female	56%	56%	NP	61%	55%
Male	44%	44%	NP	39%	45%
<b>Student Status</b>					
English language learners**	23%	4%	NP	21%	28%
Students with special education needs (excluding gifted)**	5%	0%	NP	2%	0%
<b>Place of Birth</b>					
Born in Canada	87%	91%	NP	94%	90%
Born outside Canada	13%	9%	NP	6%	10%
In Canada less than one year	0%	0%	NP	0%	0%
In Canada one year or more but less than three years	2%	0%	NP	0%	0%
In Canada three years or more	11%	7%	NP	6%	10%
<b>Language</b>					
First language learned at home was other than English	34%	7%	NP	32%	38%
<b>Year Student Entered Current School</b>					
Year of the assessment	6%	6%	NP	10%	5%
Year prior to the assessment	16%	4%	NP	3%	7%
2 years prior to the assessment	46%	76%	NP	77%	88%
3 or more years prior to the assessment	32%	15%	NP	10%	0%
Data not available	0%	0%	NP	0%	0%
<b>Year Student Entered Current Board</b>					
Year of the assessment	5%	0%	NP	3%	3%
Year prior to the assessment	6%	0%	NP	0%	3%
2 years prior to the assessment	17%	31%	NP	24%	17%
3 or more years prior to the assessment	72%	69%	NP	73%	76%
Data not available	0%	0%	NP	0%	0%

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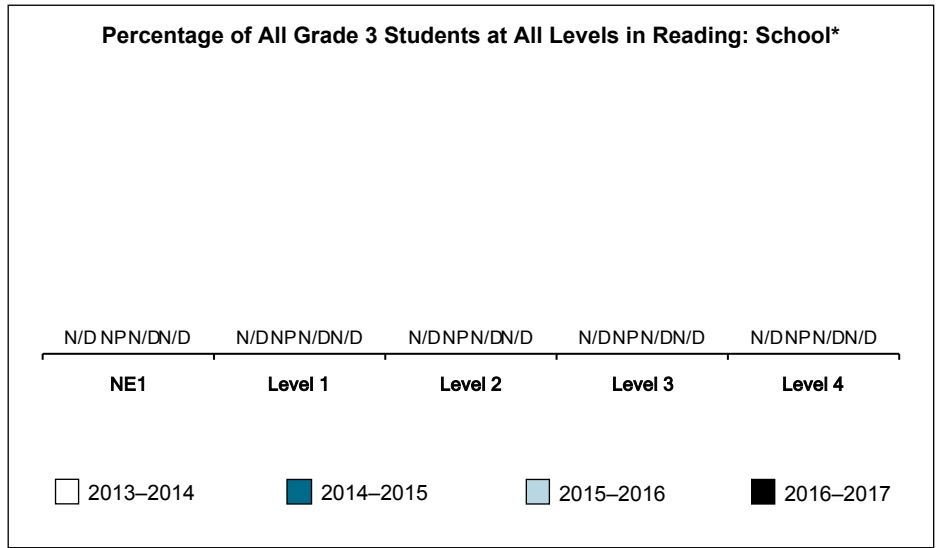
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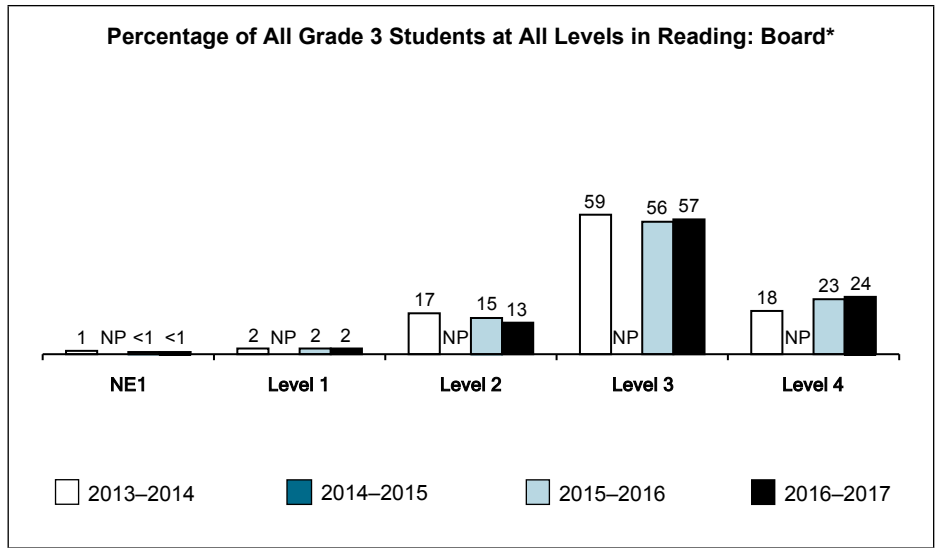
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Grade 3: Reading

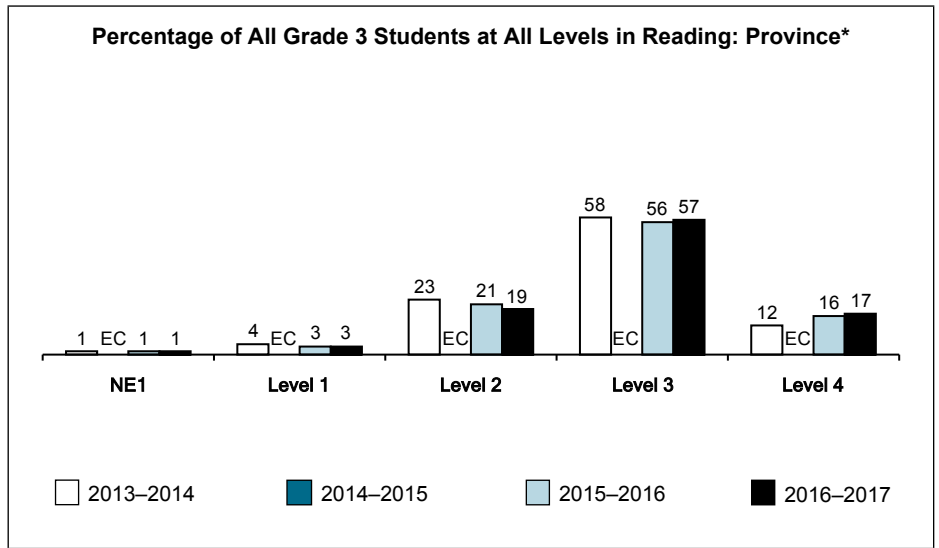
Grade 3 Reading: School*				
Year	'13-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17
Number of Students	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D
Level 4	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D
Level 3	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D
Level 2	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D
Level 1	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D
NE1**	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D
Participating Students	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D
No Data	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D
Exempt	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D
At or Above Provincial Standard†	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D



Grade 3 Reading: Board*				
Year	'13-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17
Number of Students	6 881	NP	7 127	7 002
Level 4	18%	NP	23%	24%
Level 3	59%	NP	56%	57%
Level 2	17%	NP	15%	13%
Level 1	2%	NP	2%	2%
NE1**	1%	NP	<1%	<1%
Participating Students	96%	NP	96%	96%
No Data	<1%	NP	1%	1%
Exempt	3%	NP	3%	3%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	77%	NP	79%	81%



Grade 3 Reading: Province*				
Year	'13-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17
Number of Students	122 018	EC	118 838	126 016
Level 4	12%	EC	16%	17%
Level 3	58%	EC	56%	57%
Level 2	23%	EC	21%	19%
Level 1	4%	EC	3%	3%
NE1**	1%	EC	1%	1%
Participating Students	97%	EC	97%	97%
No Data	1%	EC	1%	1%
Exempt	2%	EC	3%	3%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	70%	EC	72%	74%



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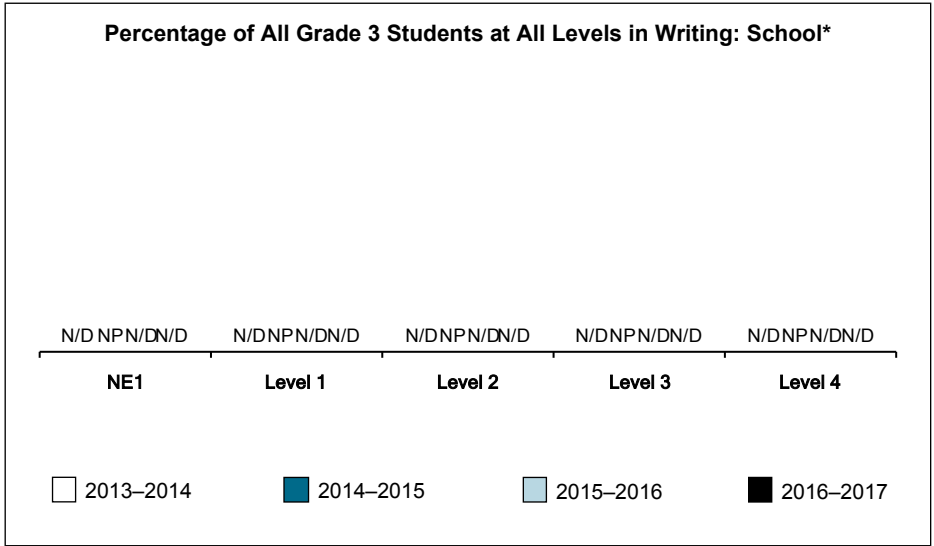
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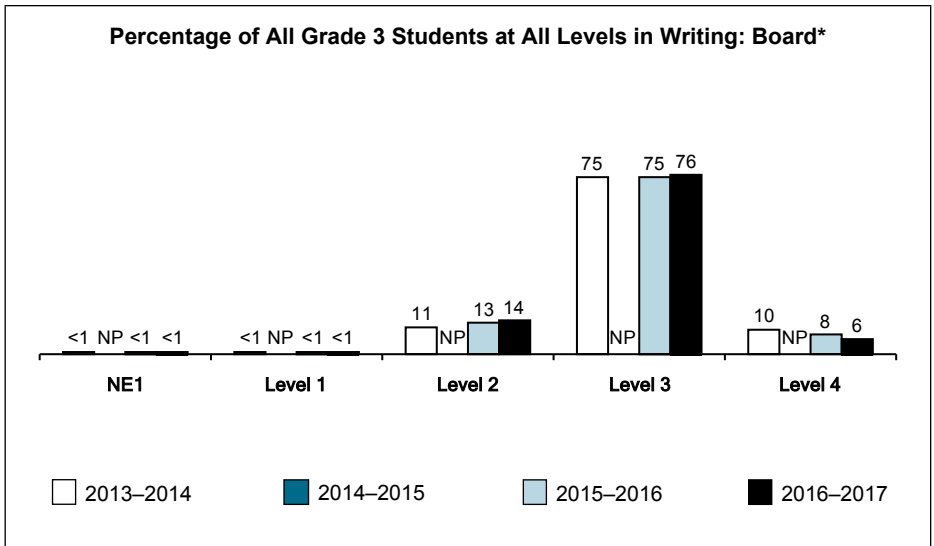
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Grade 3: Writing

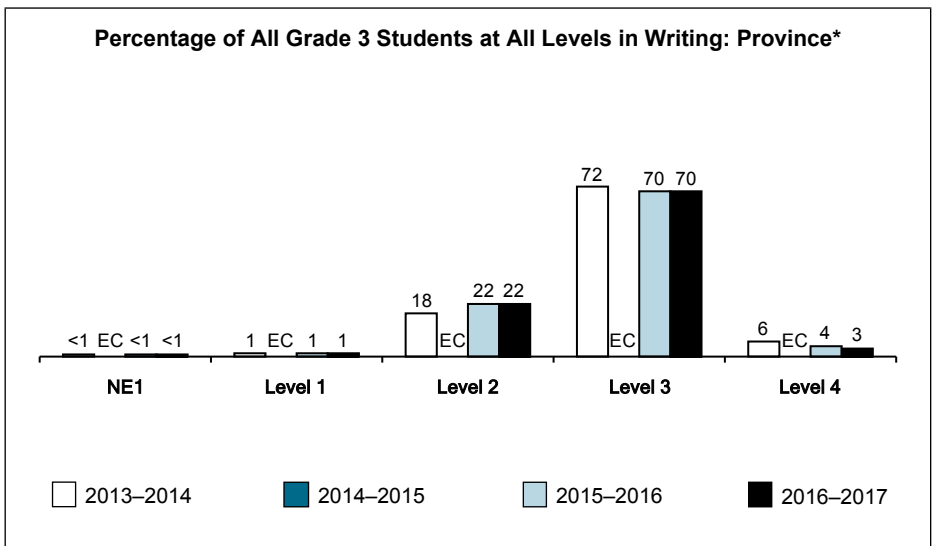
Grade 3 Writing: School*				
Year	'13-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17
Number of Students	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D
Level 4	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D
Level 3	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D
Level 2	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D
Level 1	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D
NE1**	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D
Participating Students	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D
No Data	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D
Exempt	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D
At or Above Provincial Standard†	N/D	NP	N/D	N/D



Grade 3 Writing: Board*				
Year	'13-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17
Number of Students	6 881	NP	7 127	7 002
Level 4	10%	NP	8%	6%
Level 3	75%	NP	75%	76%
Level 2	11%	NP	13%	14%
Level 1	<1%	NP	<1%	<1%
NE1**	<1%	NP	<1%	<1%
Participating Students	97%	NP	96%	96%
No Data	<1%	NP	1%	1%
Exempt	3%	NP	3%	3%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	85%	NP	83%	82%



Grade 3 Writing: Province*				
Year	'13-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17
Number of Students	122 018	EC	118 860	126 036
Level 4	6%	EC	4%	3%
Level 3	72%	EC	70%	70%
Level 2	18%	EC	22%	22%
Level 1	1%	EC	1%	1%
NE1**	<1%	EC	<1%	<1%
Participating Students	97%	EC	97%	97%
No Data	1%	EC	1%	1%
Exempt	2%	EC	2%	2%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	78%	EC	74%	73%



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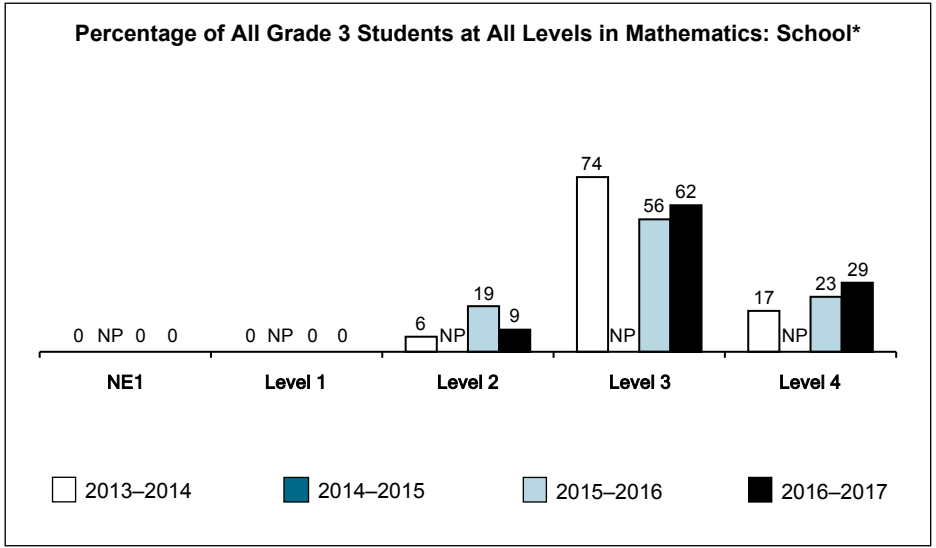
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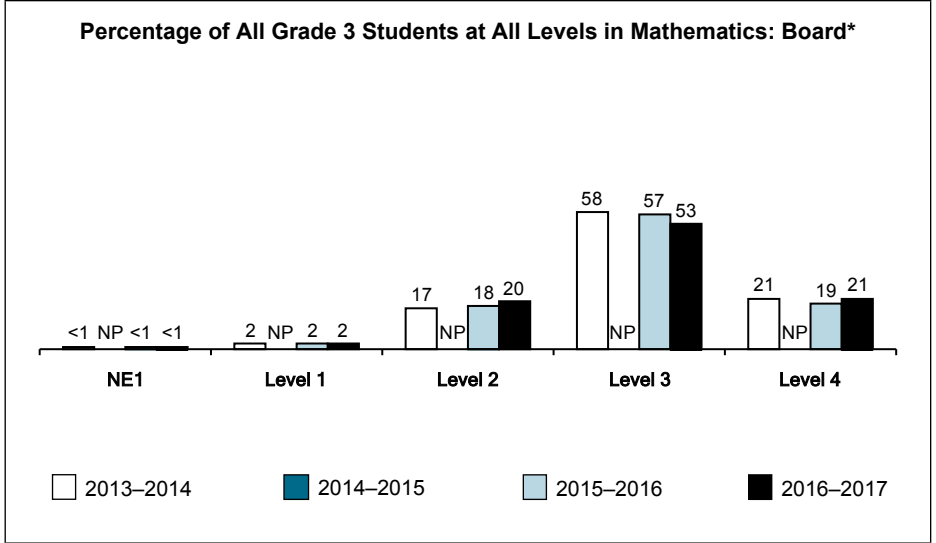
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Grade 3: Mathematics

Grade 3 Mathematics: School*				
Year	'13-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17
<i>Number of Students</i>	54	NP	62	58
Level 4	17%	NP	23%	29%
Level 3	74%	NP	56%	62%
Level 2	6%	NP	19%	9%
Level 1	0%	NP	0%	0%
NE1**	0%	NP	0%	0%
<i>Participating Students</i>	96%	NP	98%	100%
No Data	0%	NP	2%	0%
Exempt	4%	NP	0%	0%
<b>At or Above Provincial Standard†</b>	<b>91%</b>	<b>NP</b>	<b>79%</b>	<b>91%</b>



Grade 3 Mathematics: Board*				
Year	'13-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17
<i>Number of Students</i>	8 277	NP	8 886	8 604
Level 4	21%	NP	19%	21%
Level 3	58%	NP	57%	53%
Level 2	17%	NP	18%	20%
Level 1	2%	NP	2%	2%
NE1**	<1%	NP	<1%	<1%
<i>Participating Students</i>	97%	NP	97%	97%
No Data	<1%	NP	1%	1%
Exempt	2%	NP	2%	2%
<b>At or Above Provincial Standard†</b>	<b>79%</b>	<b>NP</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>74%</b>



Grade 3 Mathematics: Province*				
Year	'13-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17
<i>Number of Students</i>	127 504	EC	125 471	132 983
Level 4	13%	EC	12%	13%
Level 3	54%	EC	51%	49%
Level 2	26%	EC	28%	29%
Level 1	4%	EC	5%	5%
NE1**	<1%	EC	1%	1%
<i>Participating Students</i>	97%	EC	97%	97%
No Data	1%	EC	1%	1%
Exempt	2%	EC	2%	2%
<b>At or Above Provincial Standard†</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>EC</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>62%</b>



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**Contextual Information over Time: Grade 6\***

This information provides a context for interpreting the school's results of the current and previous administrations.

Grade 6	2012–2013	2013–2014	2014–2015	2015–2016	2016–2017
<b>Enrolment</b>					
Number of students	83	47	NP	59	61
<b>Participation in the Assessment</b>					
Reading	100%	100%	NP	97%	95%
Writing	100%	100%	NP	97%	95%
Mathematics	100%	100%	NP	97%	97%
<b>Gender</b>					
Female	58%	77%	NP	53%	56%
Male	42%	23%	NP	47%	44%
<b>Student Status</b>					
English language learners**	29%	6%	NP	2%	7%
Students with special education needs (excluding gifted)**	12%	0%	NP	5%	7%
<b>Place of Birth</b>					
Born in Canada	83%	91%	NP	92%	90%
Born outside Canada	17%	9%	NP	8%	10%
In Canada less than one year	0%	0%	NP	0%	0%
In Canada one year or more but less than three years	0%	0%	NP	0%	0%
In Canada three years or more	17%	9%	NP	8%	10%
<b>Language</b>					
First language learned at home was other than English	41%	19%	NP	20%	15%
<b>Year Student Entered Current School</b>					
Year of the assessment	5%	0%	NP	5%	8%
Year prior to the assessment	10%	4%	NP	3%	7%
2 years prior to the assessment	2%	4%	NP	2%	8%
3 or more years prior to the assessment	83%	91%	NP	90%	77%
Data not available	0%	0%	NP	0%	0%
<b>Year Student Entered Current Board</b>					
Year of the assessment	1%	0%	NP	3%	0%
Year prior to the assessment	2%	0%	NP	2%	3%
2 years prior to the assessment	6%	2%	NP	0%	5%
3 or more years prior to the assessment	90%	98%	NP	95%	92%
Data not available	0%	0%	NP	0%	0%

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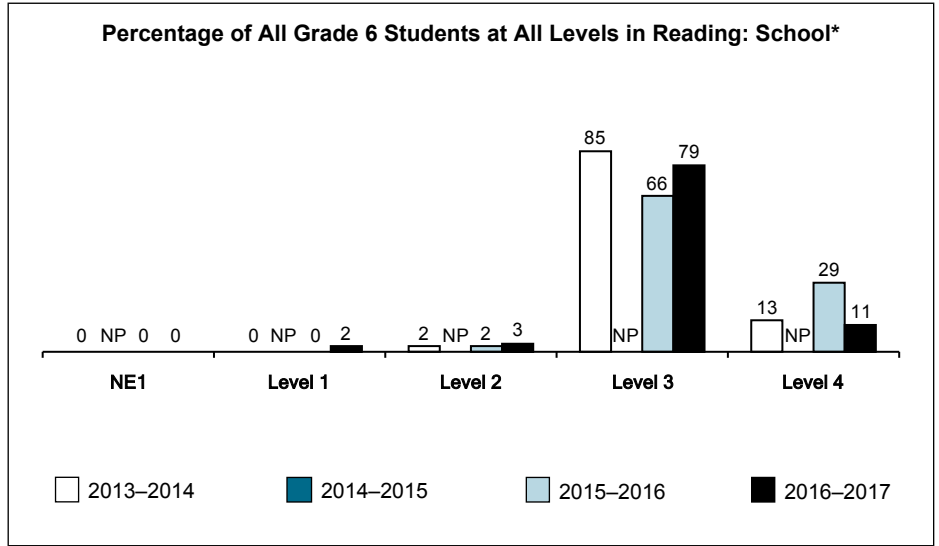
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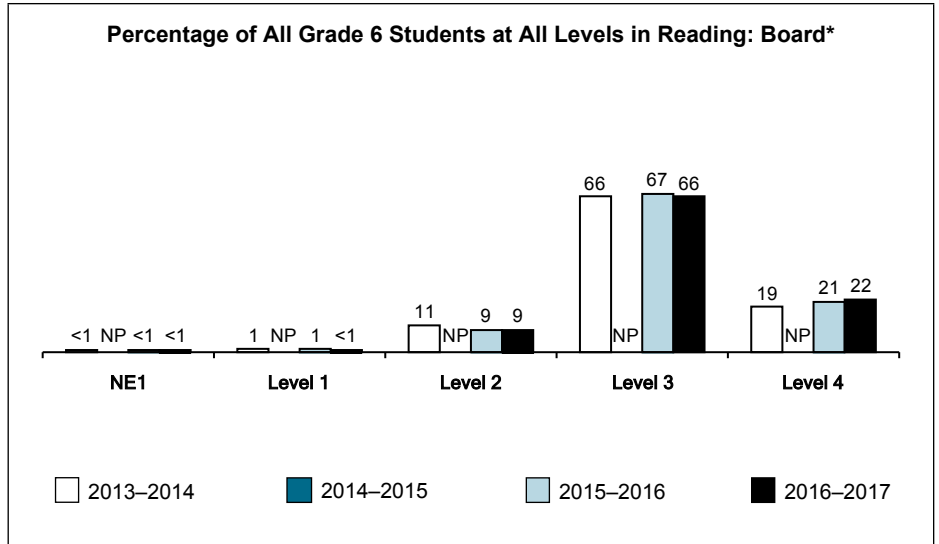
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Grade 6: Reading

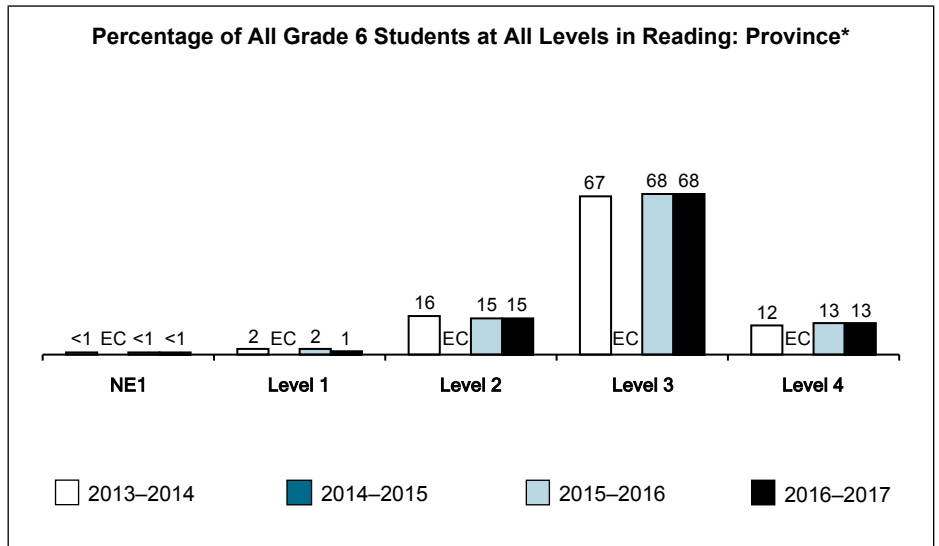
Grade 6 Reading: School*				
Year	'13-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17
Number of Students	47	NP	59	61
Level 4	13%	NP	29%	11%
Level 3	85%	NP	66%	79%
Level 2	2%	NP	2%	3%
Level 1	0%	NP	0%	2%
NE1**	0%	NP	0%	0%
Participating Students	100%	NP	97%	95%
No Data	0%	NP	2%	5%
Exempt	0%	NP	2%	0%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	98%	NP	95%	90%



Grade 6 Reading: Board*				
Year	'13-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17
Number of Students	8 698	NP	8 825	8 738
Level 4	19%	NP	21%	22%
Level 3	66%	NP	67%	66%
Level 2	11%	NP	9%	9%
Level 1	1%	NP	1%	<1%
NE1**	<1%	NP	<1%	<1%
Participating Students	98%	NP	98%	97%
No Data	<1%	NP	<1%	1%
Exempt	2%	NP	2%	2%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	86%	NP	87%	87%



Grade 6 Reading: Province*				
Year	'13-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17
Number of Students	127 261	EC	123 592	130 767
Level 4	12%	EC	13%	13%
Level 3	67%	EC	68%	68%
Level 2	16%	EC	15%	15%
Level 1	2%	EC	2%	1%
NE1**	<1%	EC	<1%	<1%
Participating Students	98%	EC	97%	97%
No Data	<1%	EC	1%	1%
Exempt	2%	EC	2%	2%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	79%	EC	81%	81%



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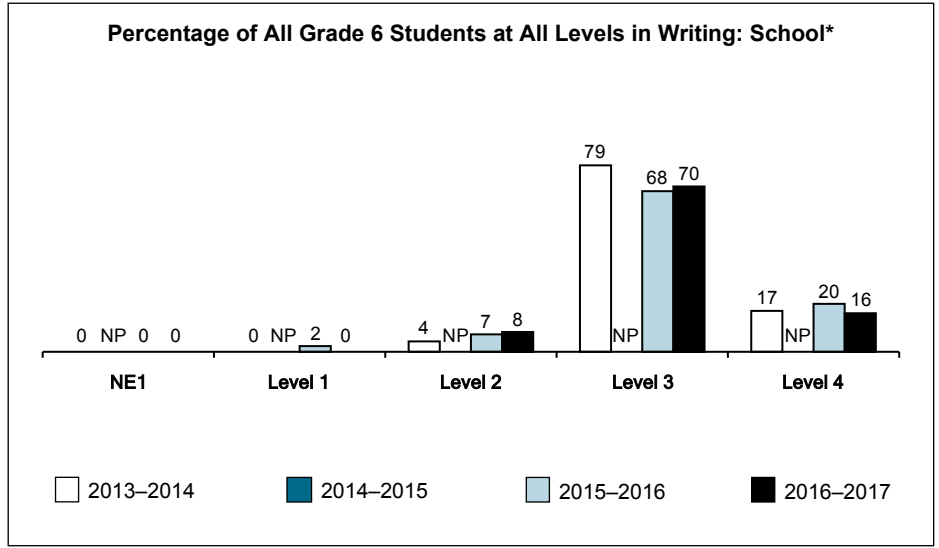
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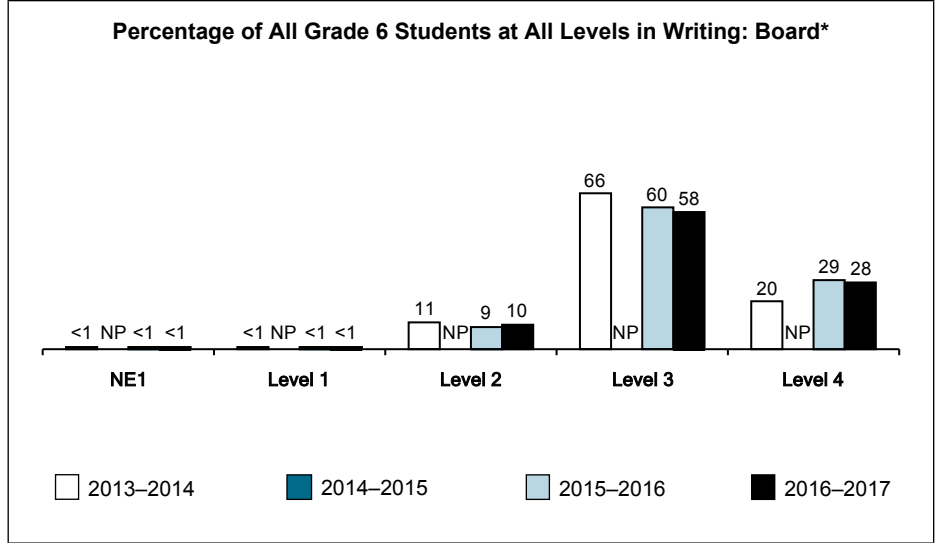
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Grade 6: Writing

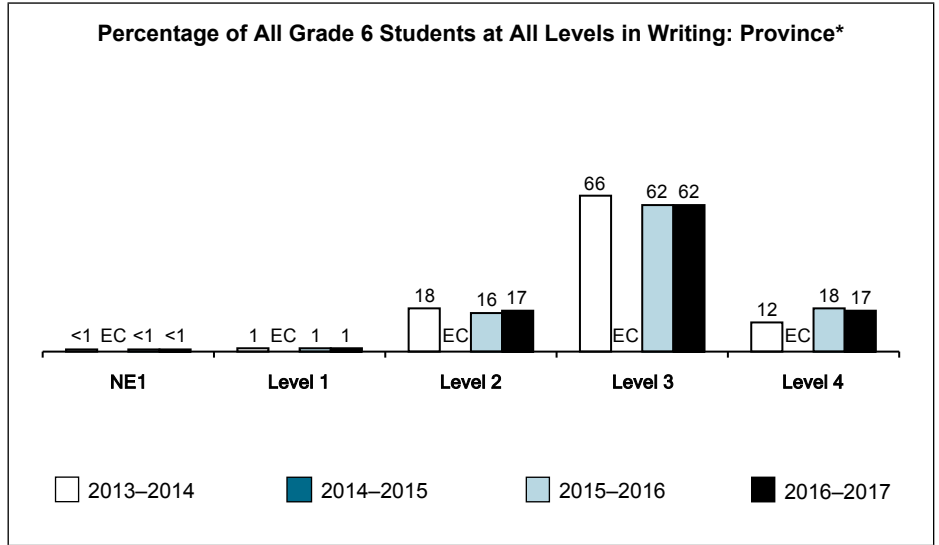
Grade 6 Writing: School*				
Year	'13-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17
Number of Students	47	NP	59	61
Level 4	17%	NP	20%	16%
Level 3	79%	NP	68%	70%
Level 2	4%	NP	7%	8%
Level 1	0%	NP	2%	0%
NE1**	0%	NP	0%	0%
Participating Students	100%	NP	97%	95%
No Data	0%	NP	2%	5%
Exempt	0%	NP	2%	0%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	96%	NP	88%	87%



Grade 6 Writing: Board*				
Year	'13-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17
Number of Students	8 698	NP	8 825	8 738
Level 4	20%	NP	29%	28%
Level 3	66%	NP	60%	58%
Level 2	11%	NP	9%	10%
Level 1	<1%	NP	<1%	<1%
NE1**	<1%	NP	<1%	<1%
Participating Students	98%	NP	98%	97%
No Data	<1%	NP	<1%	1%
Exempt	2%	NP	2%	2%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	86%	NP	88%	87%



Grade 6 Writing: Province*				
Year	'13-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17
Number of Students	127 207	EC	123 617	130 773
Level 4	12%	EC	18%	17%
Level 3	66%	EC	62%	62%
Level 2	18%	EC	16%	17%
Level 1	1%	EC	1%	1%
NE1**	<1%	EC	<1%	<1%
Participating Students	98%	EC	97%	97%
No Data	1%	EC	1%	1%
Exempt	2%	EC	2%	2%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	78%	EC	80%	79%



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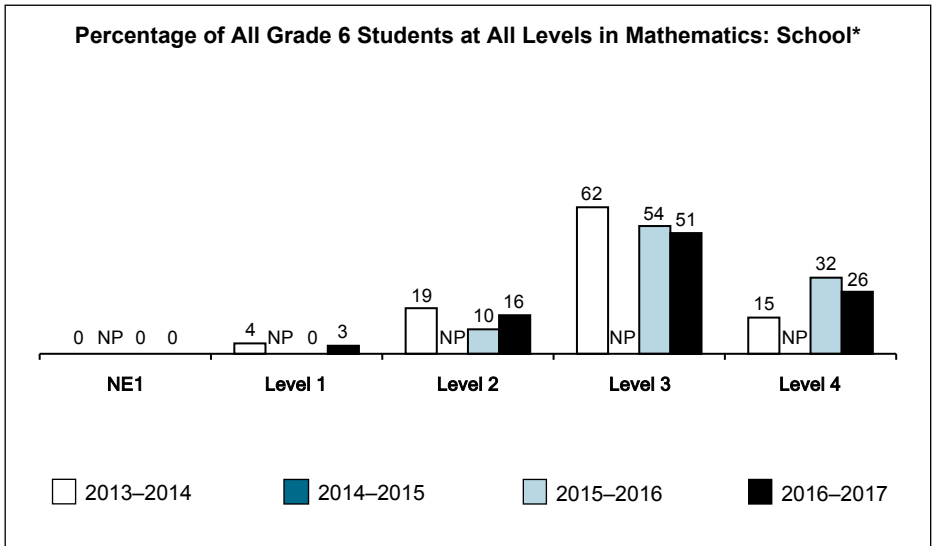
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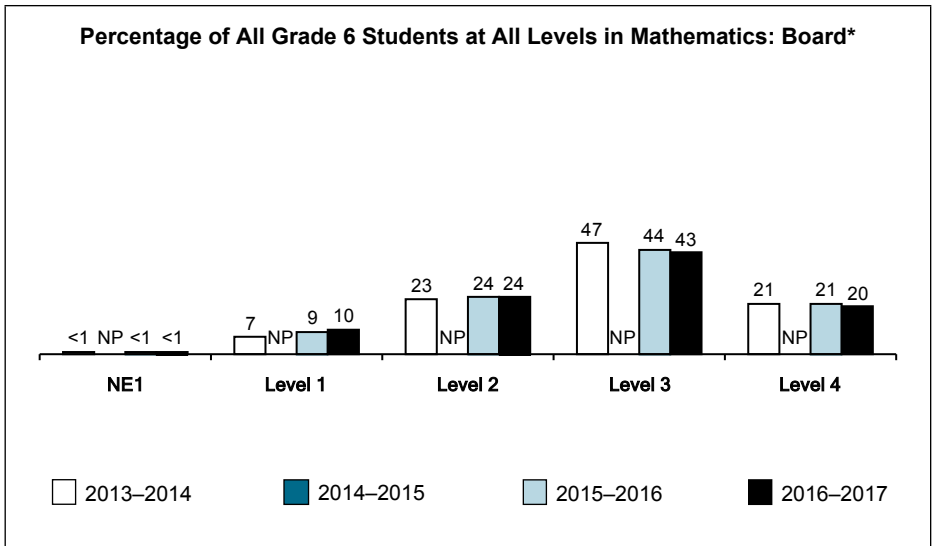
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Grade 6: Mathematics

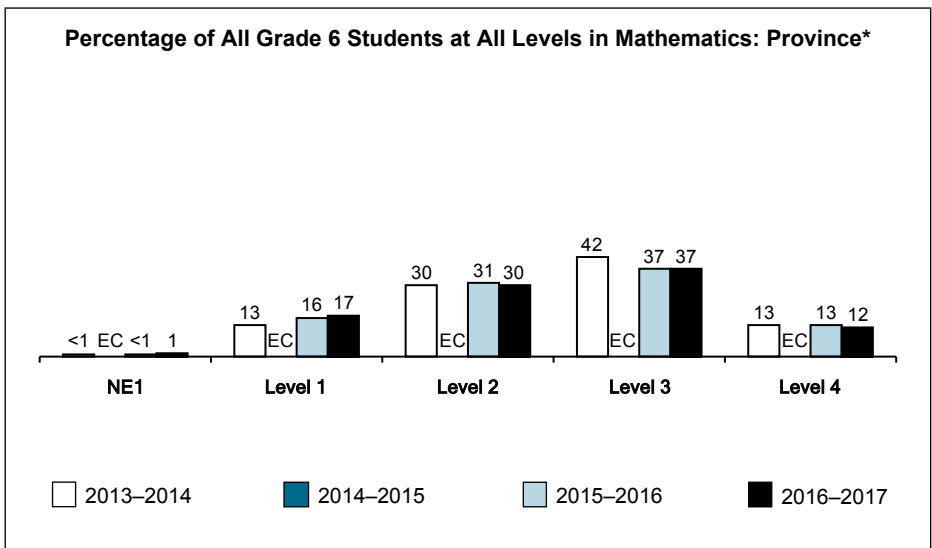
Grade 6 Mathematics: School*				
Year	'13-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17
Number of Students	47	NP	59	61
Level 4	15%	NP	32%	26%
Level 3	62%	NP	54%	51%
Level 2	19%	NP	10%	16%
Level 1	4%	NP	0%	3%
NE1**	0%	NP	0%	0%
Participating Students	100%	NP	97%	97%
No Data	0%	NP	2%	3%
Exempt	0%	NP	2%	0%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	77%	NP	86%	77%



Grade 6 Mathematics: Board*				
Year	'13-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17
Number of Students	8 697	NP	8 823	8 738
Level 4	21%	NP	21%	20%
Level 3	47%	NP	44%	43%
Level 2	23%	NP	24%	24%
Level 1	7%	NP	9%	10%
NE1**	<1%	NP	<1%	<1%
Participating Students	98%	NP	98%	97%
No Data	<1%	NP	<1%	1%
Exempt	2%	NP	1%	2%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	68%	NP	65%	63%



Grade 6 Mathematics: Province*				
Year	'13-'14	'14-'15	'15-'16	'16-'17
Number of Students	127 286	EC	123 666	130 652
Level 4	13%	EC	13%	12%
Level 3	42%	EC	37%	37%
Level 2	30%	EC	31%	30%
Level 1	13%	EC	16%	17%
NE1**	<1%	EC	<1%	1%
Participating Students	98%	EC	97%	97%
No Data	1%	EC	1%	1%
Exempt	2%	EC	2%	2%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	54%	EC	50%	50%



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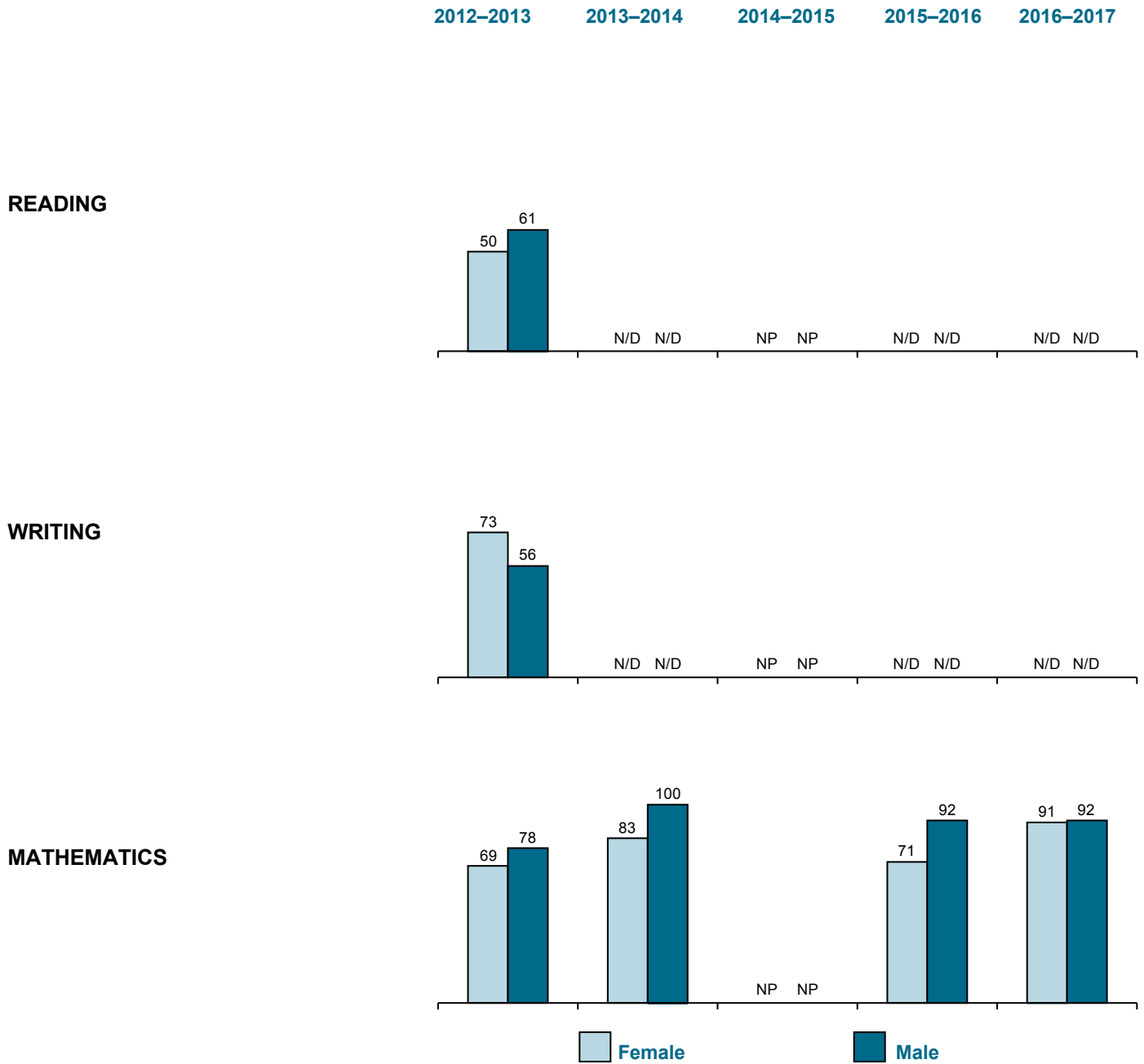
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RESULTS FOR ALL STUDENTS OVER TIME BY GENDER\*

Percentage of Students At or Above the Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4): Grade 3



Total Number of Grade 3 Students\*

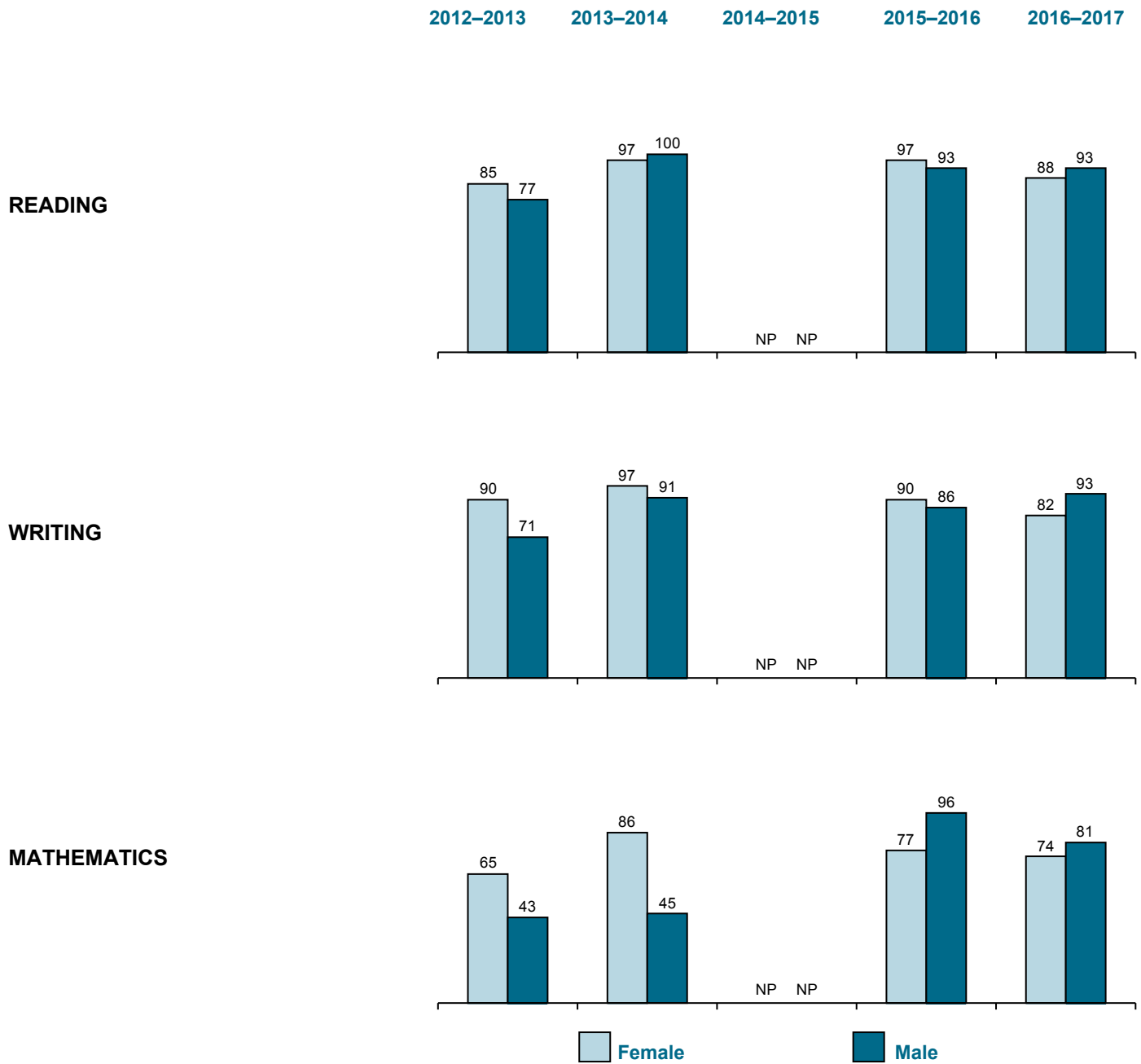
School	2012–2013		2013–2014		2014–2015		2015–2016		2016–2017	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
School	58	46	30	24	NP	NP	38	24	32	26

\* Includes only students for whom gender data were available.

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RESULTS FOR ALL STUDENTS OVER TIME BY GENDER\*

Percentage of Students At or Above the Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4): Grade 6



Total Number of Grade 6 Students\*

School	2012–2013		2013–2014		2014–2015		2015–2016		2016–2017	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
School	48	35	36	11	NP	NP	31	28	34	27

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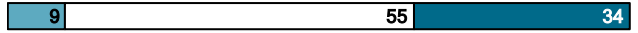


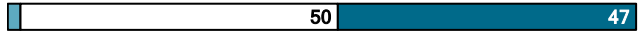
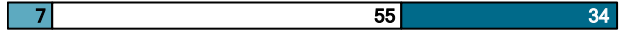



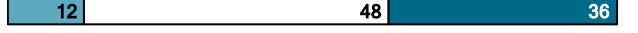
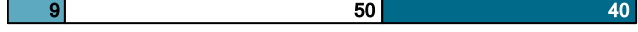
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STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR SCHOOL: GRADE 3 (# = 58)

Never

Sometimes

Most of the time

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT		Percentage of Students*		Number of students who answered "most of the time"
About reading:				
I like to read.		47	50	29
I am a good reader.		41	57	33
I am able to understand difficult reading passages.		9	55	34
I do my best when I do reading activities in class.		22	76	44
STUDENT ENGAGEMENT				
About writing:				
I like to write.		40	60	35
I am a good writer.		50	47	27
I am able to communicate my ideas in writing.		7	55	34
I do my best when I do writing activities in class.		26	72	42
COGNITIVE STRATEGIES USED IN LANGUAGE				
I make sure I understand what I am reading.		28	67	39
I organize my ideas before I start to write.		48	47	27
I edit my writing to make it better.		12	48	36
I check my writing for spelling and grammar.		9	50	40

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STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR SCHOOL: GRADE 3 (# = 58)

Never



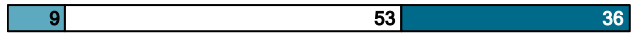

Sometimes

Most of the time



STUDENT ENGAGEMENT  
About mathematics:

Percentage of Students\*

Number of students who answered "most of the time"

I like mathematics.		42
I am good at mathematics.		28
I am able to answer difficult mathematics questions.		21
I do my best when I do mathematics activities in class.		51

COGNITIVE STRATEGIES USED IN MATHEMATICS  
When I am working on a mathematics problem,

I read over the problem first to make sure I know what I am supposed to do.		44
I think about the steps I will use to solve the problem.		33

Never

1 or 2 times a month






1 to 3 times a week

Every day or almost every day

READING OUTSIDE SCHOOL  
How often do you read the following when you are not at school?

Percentage of Students\*

Number of students who answered "every day or almost every day"

Stories or novels		18
Comics		17
Books, newspapers, magazines or Web sites for information		11
E-mail, text or instant messages		15
Any other type of reading material		21

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STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR SCHOOL: GRADE 3 (# = 58)

Never

1 or 2 times a month

1 to 3 times a week

Every day or almost every day

WRITING OUTSIDE SCHOOL

How often do you write the following (using paper or a computer) when you are not at school?

Percentage of Students\*

Number of students who answered "every day or almost every day"

	Never	1 or 2 times a month	1 to 3 times a week	Every day or almost every day	Number of students who answered "every day or almost every day"
Stories	12	29	34	22	13
Journal entries	48	17	16	16	9
E-mail, text or instant messages	29	22	22	24	14
Letters	17	45	17	21	12

OUT-OF-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

How often do you do the following when you are not at school?

	Never	1 or 2 times a month	1 to 3 times a week	Every day or almost every day	Number of students who answered "every day or almost every day"
I participate in art, music or drama activities.	24	24	36	16	9
I participate in after-school clubs.	67	7	9	16	9
I participate in sports or other physical activities.	43	50			29

PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT

How often do you and a parent, a guardian or another adult who lives with you do the following?

	Never	1 or 2 times a month	1 to 3 times a week	Every day or almost every day	Number of students who answered "every day or almost every day"
We talk about the activities I do in school.	5	14	19	62	36
We talk about the reading and writing work I do in school.	5	24	33	36	21
We talk about the mathematics work I do in school.	10	17	26	45	26
We read together.	10	29	22	36	21
We look at my school agenda.	10	10	29	45	26
We use a computer together.	33	36	24	5	3

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STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR SCHOOL: GRADE 3 (# = 58)			
		<input type="checkbox"/> 0 programs <input type="checkbox"/> 1 program <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 or 3 programs <input type="checkbox"/> 4 programs or more	
<b>SCREEN TIME (TELEVISION)</b> On a school day, how many TV programs do you normally watch?		<b>Percentage of Students*</b>	<i>Number of students who answered "4 programs or more"</i>
	Before school		2
	After school		17
<b>SCHOOLS ATTENDED</b> How many schools did you attend before this one?		<b>Percentage of Students*</b>	<i>Number of students</i>
	Only this school		4
	1 other school		25
	2 other schools		23
	3 other schools		3
	4 other schools or more		2
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Only English/ Mostly English <input type="checkbox"/> Another language (or other languages) as often as English <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mostly another language (or other languages)/ Only another language (or other languages)	
<b>LANGUAGES SPOKEN</b>		<b>Percentage of Students*</b>	<i>Number of students who answered "only English" or "mostly English"</i>
	Languages student speaks at home		29
	Languages in which people speak to student at home		28

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GRADE 3: STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR SCHOOL, BOARD AND PROVINCE (all students, female, male)	School			Board			Province		
	All (# = 58)	Female* (# = 32)	Male* (# = 26)	All (# = 8 300)	Female* (# = 3 975)	Male* (# = 4 325)	All (# = 127 977)	Female* (# = 62 721)	Male* (# = 65 256)
<b>STUDENT ENGAGEMENT</b>									
<b>About reading:</b>									
<b>Percentage of students who answered “most of the time”†</b>									
I like to read.	<b>50%</b>	41%	62%	<b>49%</b>	54%	44%	<b>46%</b>	51%	40%
I am a good reader.	<b>57%</b>	44%	73%	<b>60%</b>	61%	58%	<b>63%</b>	65%	62%
I am able to understand difficult reading passages.	<b>34%</b>	25%	46%	<b>30%</b>	28%	32%	<b>30%</b>	28%	32%
I do my best when I do reading activities in class.	<b>76%</b>	75%	77%	<b>71%</b>	76%	66%	<b>73%</b>	77%	68%
<b>STUDENT ENGAGEMENT</b>									
<b>About writing:</b>									
<b>Percentage of students who answered “most of the time”†</b>									
I like to write.	<b>60%</b>	66%	54%	<b>44%</b>	53%	37%	<b>47%</b>	54%	40%
I am a good writer.	<b>47%</b>	50%	42%	<b>44%</b>	51%	38%	<b>49%</b>	55%	42%
I am able to communicate my ideas in writing.	<b>34%</b>	31%	38%	<b>41%</b>	42%	40%	<b>43%</b>	45%	42%
I do my best when I do writing activities in class.	<b>72%</b>	69%	77%	<b>65%</b>	70%	60%	<b>68%</b>	73%	63%
<b>COGNITIVE STRATEGIES USED IN LANGUAGE</b>									
<b>Percentage of students who answered “most of the time”†</b>									
I make sure I understand what I am reading.	<b>67%</b>	59%	77%	<b>64%</b>	66%	62%	<b>65%</b>	67%	62%
I organize my ideas before I start to write.	<b>47%</b>	59%	31%	<b>42%</b>	46%	38%	<b>40%</b>	44%	36%
I edit my writing to make it better.	<b>36%</b>	31%	42%	<b>41%</b>	44%	37%	<b>40%</b>	45%	36%
I check my writing for spelling and grammar.	<b>40%</b>	41%	38%	<b>42%</b>	46%	38%	<b>44%</b>	48%	40%
<b>STUDENT ENGAGEMENT</b>									
<b>About mathematics:</b>									
<b>Percentage of students who answered “most of the time”†</b>									
I like mathematics.	<b>72%</b>	66%	81%	<b>60%</b>	53%	66%	<b>58%</b>	53%	63%
I am good at mathematics.	<b>48%</b>	44%	54%	<b>55%</b>	47%	63%	<b>56%</b>	49%	62%
I am able to answer difficult mathematics questions.	<b>36%</b>	19%	58%	<b>40%</b>	31%	48%	<b>38%</b>	31%	46%
I do my best when I do mathematics activities in class.	<b>88%</b>	81%	96%	<b>77%</b>	77%	77%	<b>77%</b>	78%	75%
<b>COGNITIVE STRATEGIES USED IN MATHEMATICS</b>									
<b>When I am working on a mathematics problem,</b>									
<b>Percentage of students who answered “most of the time”†</b>									
I read over the problem first to make sure I know what I am supposed to do.	<b>76%</b>	81%	69%	<b>70%</b>	74%	66%	<b>67%</b>	72%	63%
I think about the steps I will use to solve the problem.	<b>57%</b>	53%	62%	<b>49%</b>	51%	48%	<b>49%</b>	51%	47%

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<b>READING OUTSIDE SCHOOL</b>									
How often do you read the following when you are not at school? <span style="float: right;">Percentage of students who answered “every day or almost every day”†</span>									
Stories or novels	31%	28%	35%	40%	44%	36%	38%	42%	33%
Comics	29%	16%	46%	22%	17%	26%	19%	15%	23%
Books, newspapers, magazines or Web sites for information	19%	25%	12%	20%	20%	20%	20%	21%	19%
E-mails, text or instant messages	26%	19%	35%	19%	21%	18%	23%	25%	20%
Any other type of reading material	36%	25%	50%	31%	33%	30%	31%	35%	28%
<b>WRITING OUTSIDE SCHOOL</b>									
How often do you write the following (using paper or a computer) when you are not at school? <span style="float: right;">Percentage of students who answered “every day or almost every day”†</span>									
Stories	22%	25%	19%	15%	17%	14%	17%	20%	14%
Journal entries	16%	16%	15%	12%	16%	8%	13%	17%	9%
E-mails, text or instant messages	24%	22%	27%	19%	20%	17%	21%	24%	19%
Letters	21%	19%	23%	10%	11%	9%	11%	13%	10%
<b>OUT-OF-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES</b>									
How often do you do the following when you are not at school? <span style="float: right;">Percentage of students who answered “every day or almost every day”†</span>									
I participate in art, music or drama activities.	16%	22%	8%	24%	30%	19%	23%	29%	17%
I participate in after-school clubs.	16%	9%	23%	17%	17%	16%	13%	14%	13%
I participate in sports or other physical activities.	50%	47%	54%	39%	33%	45%	39%	33%	44%
<b>PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT</b>									
How often do you and a parent, a guardian or another adult who lives with you do the following? <span style="float: right;">Percentage of students who answered “every day or almost every day”†</span>									
We talk about the activities I do in school.	62%	59%	65%	49%	54%	45%	54%	58%	49%
We talk about the reading and writing work I do in school.	36%	41%	31%	30%	33%	27%	33%	36%	29%
We talk about the mathematics work I do in school.	45%	47%	42%	35%	38%	33%	36%	39%	34%
We read together.	36%	38%	35%	24%	26%	23%	27%	29%	25%
We look at my school agenda.	45%	38%	54%	45%	44%	46%	46%	47%	45%
We use a computer together.	5%	6%	4%	15%	14%	15%	15%	15%	16%

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<b>SCREEN TIME (TELEVISION)</b>									
On a school day, how many TV programs do you normally watch? <span style="float: right;">Percentage of students who answered "4 programs or more"†</span>									
Before school	3%	0%	8%	6%	3%	8%	10%	8%	13%
After school	29%	12%	50%	33%	29%	36%	41%	38%	43%
<b>SCHOOLS ATTENDED</b>									
How many schools did you attend before this one? <span style="float: right;">Percentage of students‡</span>									
Only this school/1 other school	50%	44%	58%	67%	66%	67%	77%	78%	77%
2 other schools/3 other schools	45%	47%	42%	24%	25%	23%	16%	16%	16%
4 other schools or more	3%	6%	0%	5%	5%	6%	4%	4%	4%
<b>LANGUAGES STUDENTS SPEAK AT HOME</b>									
Percentage of students‡									
Only English/Mostly English	50%	47%	54%	54%	52%	55%	71%	70%	72%
Another language (or other languages) as often as English	36%	38%	35%	24%	25%	24%	16%	17%	15%
Mostly another language (or other languages)/ Only another language (or other languages)	12%	12%	12%	19%	19%	19%	11%	11%	11%
<b>LANGUAGES SPOKEN TO STUDENTS AT HOME</b>									
Percentage of students‡									
Only English/Mostly English	48%	53%	42%	43%	42%	44%	65%	64%	66%
Another language (or other languages) as often as English	19%	19%	19%	20%	20%	19%	13%	14%	13%
Mostly another language (or other languages)/ Only another language (or other languages)	33%	28%	38%	32%	32%	31%	17%	17%	17%

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STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR SCHOOL: GRADE 6 (# = 57)

Never

Sometimes

Most of the time

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT		Percentage of Students*		Number of students who answered "most of the time"
About reading:				
I like to read.	5	42	53	30
I am a good reader.	4	30	67	38
I am able to understand difficult reading passages.	4	40	56	32
I do my best when I do reading activities in class.	4	19	77	44
STUDENT ENGAGEMENT				
About writing:				
I like to write.	16	44	40	23
I am a good writer.	12	47	40	23
I am able to communicate my ideas in writing.	7	46	44	25
I do my best when I do writing activities in class.	5	30	63	36
COGNITIVE STRATEGIES USED IN LANGUAGE				
I make sure I understand what I am reading.	4	19	77	44
I organize my ideas before I start to write.	12	58	30	17
I edit my writing to make it better.	9	46	44	25
I check my writing for spelling and grammar.	5	46	47	27

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STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR SCHOOL: GRADE 6 (# = 57)

Never

Sometimes

Most of the time

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT  
About mathematics:

Percentage of Students\*

Number of students who answered "most of the time"

I like mathematics.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 11 <input type="checkbox"/> 7 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 82	47
I am good at mathematics.	<input type="checkbox"/> 9 <input type="checkbox"/> 19 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 70	40
I am able to answer difficult mathematics questions.	<input type="checkbox"/> 12 <input type="checkbox"/> 28 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 58	33
I do my best when I do mathematics activities in class.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 7 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 88	50

COGNITIVE STRATEGIES USED IN MATHEMATICS  
When I am working on a mathematics problem,

I read over the problem first to make sure I know what I am supposed to do.	<input type="checkbox"/> 14 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 81	46
I think about the steps I will use to solve the problem.	<input type="checkbox"/> 42 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 51	29

Never

1 or 2 times a month

1 to 3 times a week

Every day or almost every day

READING OUTSIDE SCHOOL  
How often do you read the following when you are not at school?

Percentage of Students\*

Number of students who answered "every day or almost every day"

Stories or novels	<input type="checkbox"/> 7 <input type="checkbox"/> 25 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 30 <input type="checkbox"/> 37	21
Comics	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19 <input type="checkbox"/> 39 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 35 <input type="checkbox"/> 5	3
Books, newspapers, magazines or Web sites for information	<input type="checkbox"/> 18 <input type="checkbox"/> 23 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 32 <input type="checkbox"/> 26	15
E-mail, text or instant messages	<input type="checkbox"/> 19 <input type="checkbox"/> 14 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 11 <input type="checkbox"/> 56	32
Any other type of reading material	<input type="checkbox"/> 23 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 21 <input type="checkbox"/> 26	15

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STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR SCHOOL: GRADE 6 (# = 57)

Never

1 or 2 times a month

1 to 3 times a week

Every day or almost every day

WRITING OUTSIDE SCHOOL

How often do you write the following (using paper or a computer) when you are not at school?

Percentage of Students\*

Number of students who answered "every day or almost every day"

Activity	Never	1 or 2 times a month	1 to 3 times a week	Every day or almost every day	Number of students who answered "every day or almost every day"
Stories	23	37	19	7	4
Journal entries	51	19	7	9	5
E-mail, text or instant messages	14	9	14	46	26
Letters	44	33	7	0	0

OUT-OF-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

How often do you do the following when you are not at school?

Activity	Never	1 or 2 times a month	1 to 3 times a week	Every day or almost every day	Number of students who answered "every day or almost every day"
I participate in art, music or drama activities.	40	9	23	12	7
I participate in after-school clubs.	54	12	11	7	4
I participate in sports or other physical activities.	9	7	32	39	22

PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT

How often do you and a parent, a guardian or another adult who lives with you do the following?






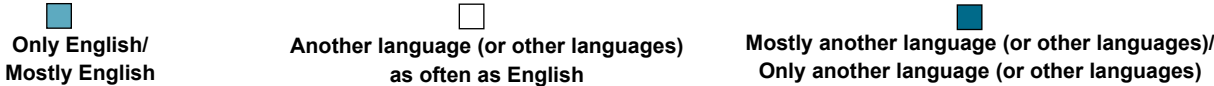


Activity	Never	1 or 2 times a month	1 to 3 times a week	Every day or almost every day	Number of students who answered "every day or almost every day"
We talk about the activities I do in school.	7	5	16	58	33
We talk about the reading and writing work I do in school.	7	12	23	44	25
We talk about the mathematics work I do in school.	5	11	19	51	29
We read together.	53	21	7	5	3
We look at my school agenda.	30	11	14	32	18
We use a computer together.	32	32	12	11	6

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**STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR SCHOOL: GRADE 6 (# = 57)**

SCHOOLS ATTENDED		Percentage of Students*	Number of students
How many schools did you attend before this one?			
Only this school		26	15
1 other school		30	17
2 other schools		18	10
3 other schools		11	6
4 other schools or more		1	1
			
LANGUAGES SPOKEN		Percentage of Students*	Number of students who answered "only English" or "mostly English"
Languages student speaks at home		61 14 11	35
Languages in which people speak to student at home		54 11 21	31

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GRADE 6: STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR SCHOOL, BOARD AND PROVINCE (all students, female, male)	School			Board			Province		
	All (# = 57)	Female* (# = 31)	Male* (# = 26)	All (# = 8 423)	Female* (# = 4 077)	Male* (# = 4 346)	All (# = 126 022)	Female* (# = 61 577)	Male* (# = 64 445)
<b>STUDENT ENGAGEMENT</b>									
<b>About reading:</b>									
<b>Percentage of students who answered “most of the time”†</b>									
I like to read.	53%	55%	50%	52%	59%	44%	45%	53%	37%
I am a good reader.	67%	68%	65%	65%	70%	61%	68%	71%	64%
I am able to understand difficult reading passages.	56%	55%	58%	44%	43%	44%	42%	41%	43%
I do my best when I do reading activities in class.	77%	81%	73%	71%	78%	64%	73%	78%	68%
<b>STUDENT ENGAGEMENT</b>									
<b>About writing:</b>									
<b>Percentage of students who answered “most of the time”†</b>									
I like to write.	40%	48%	31%	39%	51%	27%	40%	51%	28%
I am a good writer.	40%	48%	31%	40%	47%	33%	42%	50%	34%
I am able to communicate my ideas in writing.	44%	48%	38%	51%	57%	46%	48%	53%	44%
I do my best when I do writing activities in class.	63%	68%	58%	68%	75%	61%	69%	75%	63%
<b>COGNITIVE STRATEGIES USED IN LANGUAGE</b>									
<b>Percentage of students who answered “most of the time”†</b>									
I make sure I understand what I am reading.	77%	74%	81%	73%	77%	69%	72%	75%	68%
I organize my ideas before I start to write.	30%	42%	15%	33%	37%	29%	31%	36%	27%
I edit my writing to make it better.	44%	45%	42%	53%	60%	46%	47%	54%	40%
I check my writing for spelling and grammar.	47%	52%	42%	54%	60%	48%	50%	56%	45%
<b>STUDENT ENGAGEMENT</b>									
<b>About mathematics:</b>									
<b>Percentage of students who answered “most of the time”†</b>									
I like mathematics.	82%	74%	92%	55%	47%	64%	51%	43%	58%
I am good at mathematics.	70%	55%	88%	58%	50%	65%	53%	46%	61%
I am able to answer difficult mathematics questions.	58%	48%	69%	45%	36%	53%	40%	31%	48%
I do my best when I do mathematics activities in class.	88%	77%	100%	77%	77%	77%	77%	77%	77%
<b>COGNITIVE STRATEGIES USED IN MATHEMATICS</b>									
<b>When I am working on a mathematics problem,</b>									
<b>Percentage of students who answered “most of the time”†</b>									
I read over the problem first to make sure I know what I am supposed to do.	81%	77%	85%	82%	86%	78%	80%	84%	76%
I think about the steps I will use to solve the problem.	51%	48%	54%	56%	58%	54%	52%	54%	51%

\* Includes only students for whom gender data were available.

† Other response options were “never” and “sometimes”.

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GRADE 6: STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR SCHOOL, BOARD AND PROVINCE (all students, female, male)	School			Board			Province		
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<b>READING OUTSIDE SCHOOL</b>									
How often do you read the following when you are not at school? <span style="float: right;">Percentage of students who answered “every day or almost every day”†</span>									
Stories or novels	37%	48%	23%	37%	43%	31%	29%	35%	23%
Comics	5%	3%	8%	13%	9%	16%	12%	10%	15%
Books, newspapers, magazines or Web sites for information	26%	23%	31%	26%	26%	26%	24%	25%	24%
E-mail, text or instant messages	56%	71%	38%	54%	62%	47%	56%	64%	49%
Any other type of reading material	26%	29%	23%	26%	28%	23%	27%	29%	24%
<b>WRITING OUTSIDE SCHOOL</b>									
How often do you write the following (using paper or a computer) when you are not at school? <span style="float: right;">Percentage of students who answered “every day or almost every day”†</span>									
Stories	7%	10%	4%	7%	8%	5%	7%	8%	5%
Journal entries	9%	16%	0%	6%	9%	4%	7%	10%	4%
E-mail, text or instant messages	46%	58%	31%	52%	60%	45%	53%	61%	45%
Letters	0%	0%	0%	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%	3%
<b>OUT-OF-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES</b>									
How often do you do the following when you are not at school? <span style="float: right;">Percentage of students who answered “every day or almost every day”†</span>									
I participate in art, music or drama activities.	12%	13%	12%	16%	20%	12%	15%	20%	11%
I participate in after-school clubs.	7%	10%	4%	14%	14%	13%	10%	10%	9%
I participate in sports or other physical activities.	39%	35%	42%	41%	34%	48%	42%	35%	48%
<b>PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT</b>									
How often do you and a parent, a guardian or another adult who lives with you do the following? <span style="float: right;">Percentage of students who answered “every day or almost every day”†</span>									
We talk about the activities I do in school.	58%	55%	62%	53%	56%	50%	56%	59%	53%
We talk about the reading and writing work I do in school.	44%	52%	35%	29%	30%	27%	31%	33%	28%
We talk about the mathematics work I do in school.	51%	58%	42%	39%	39%	38%	39%	41%	37%
We read together.	5%	6%	4%	6%	5%	6%	7%	7%	7%
We look at my school agenda.	32%	26%	38%	23%	21%	25%	26%	25%	26%
We use a computer together.	11%	13%	8%	10%	9%	10%	10%	10%	11%

\* Includes only students for whom gender data were available.

† Other response options were “never”, “1 or 2 times a month” and “1 to 3 times a week.”

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<b>SCHOOLS ATTENDED</b>									
How many schools did you attend before this one?	Percentage of students‡								
Only this school/1 other school	56%	65%	46%	67%	68%	66%	69%	69%	68%
2 other schools/3 other schools	28%	19%	38%	25%	24%	26%	22%	22%	22%
4 other schools or more	2%	3%	0%	5%	5%	4%	6%	6%	6%
<b>LANGUAGES STUDENTS SPEAK AT HOME</b>									
	Percentage of students‡								
Only English/Mostly English	61%	58%	65%	58%	57%	59%	72%	72%	73%
Another language (or other languages) as often as English	14%	23%	4%	25%	27%	24%	16%	17%	15%
Mostly another language (or other languages)/ Only another language (or other languages)	11%	6%	15%	14%	13%	14%	8%	8%	9%
<b>LANGUAGES SPOKEN TO STUDENTS AT HOME</b>									
	Percentage of students‡								
Only English/Mostly English	54%	52%	58%	46%	45%	47%	66%	66%	66%
Another language (or other languages) as often as English	11%	13%	8%	21%	23%	20%	14%	15%	14%
Mostly another language (or other languages)/ Only another language (or other languages)	21%	23%	19%	29%	29%	28%	15%	15%	16%

\* Includes only students for whom gender data were available.

† Other response options were "none", "about half an hour", "about 1 hour" and "about 2 hours".

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EXPLANATION OF TERMS	
<b>All Students</b>	Results are reported for all students in the grade.
<b>Participating Students</b>	Results are reported only for those students who took part in the assessment (excludes “no data” and “exempt” categories).
<b>Provincial Standard</b>	The Ministry of Education has set Level 3 as the provincial standard.
<b>Level 4</b>	The student has demonstrated the required knowledge and skills. Achievement surpasses the provincial standard.
<b>Level 3</b>	The student has demonstrated most of the required knowledge and skills. Achievement is at the provincial standard.
<b>Level 2</b>	The student has demonstrated some of the required knowledge and skills. Achievement approaches the provincial standard.
<b>Level 1</b>	The student has demonstrated some of the required knowledge and skills in limited ways. Achievement falls much below the provincial standard.
<b>NE1</b>	“Not enough evidence for Level 1” is used when students did not demonstrate enough evidence of knowledge and understanding to be assigned Level 1.
<b>No Data</b>	Students who did not have a result due to absence or other reasons.
<b>Exempt</b>	Students who were formally exempted from participation in one or more components of the assessment.
<b>English Language Learners</b>	Students who have been identified by the school in accordance with <i>English Language Learners: ESL and ELD Programs and Services: Policies and Procedures for Ontario Elementary and Secondary Schools, Kindergarten to Grade 12 (2007)</i> .
<b>Students with Special Education Needs (excluding gifted)</b>	Students who have been formally identified by an Identification, Placement and Review Committee, as well as students who have an Individual Education Plan. Students whose sole exceptionality is giftedness are not included.
<b>N/R</b>	“Not reported” indicates that the number of students participating (fewer than 10 in a group) or responding to the Student Questionnaire (fewer than six in a group) is so small that identification of individual student results might be possible; therefore, results are not reported.
<b>N/D</b>	“No data available” is used to indicate that there were no students in the grade or subject for the group or year specified.
<b>W</b>	Results are being withheld by EQAO. For further information, please contact the school principal.
<b>EC</b>	Due to exceptional circumstances in 2015, provincial data are unavailable to report provincial results.
<b>NP</b>	“Non-participating” indicates that due to exceptional circumstances, some or all of the school’s or board’s students did not participate.