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National Center for Fair & Open Testing

UNIVERSITY ADMISSIONS TEST TAKERS 1986 – 2015

High School Class of:	ACT Test-takers	SAT Test-takers	ACT Test-takers/ SAT Test-takers
1986	730,000	1,000,748	72.9%
1987	777,000	1,080,426	71.9%
1988	842,000	1,134,364	74.2%
1989	855,171	1,088,223	78.6%
1990	817,000	1,093,833	74.7%
1991	796,983	1,032,685	77.2%
1992	832,217	1,034,131	80.5%
1993	875,603	1,044,465	83.8%
1994	891,714	1,050,386	84.9%
1995	945,369	1,067,993	88.5%
1996	924,663	1,084,725	85.2%
1997	959,301	1,127,021	85.1%
1998	995,039	1,172,779	84.8%
1999	1,019,053	1,220,130	83.5%
2000	1,065,138	1,260,278	84.5%
2001	1,069,772	1,276,320	83.8%
2002	1,116,082	1,327,831	84.1%
2003	1,175,059	1,406,324	83.6%
2004	1,171,460	1,419,007	82.6%
2005	1,186,251	1,475,263	80.4%
2006	1,206,455	1,465,744	82.3%
2007	1,300,599	1,494,531	87.0%
2008	1,421,941	1,518,859	93.6%
2009	1,480,469	1,530,128	96.8%
2010	1,568,835	1,547,990 / 1,597,329*	101.3% / 98.2%*
2011	1,623,112	1,647,123*	98.5%
2012	1,666,017	1,664,479*	100.1%
2013	1,799,243!	1,660,047*	108.4%
2014	1,845,787!	1,672,395*	110.4%
2015	1,924,436!	1,698,521*	113.3%

* Once it saw that the number of ACT-takers was larger, based on a historically consistent measure, the College Board revised the number taking the SAT upward by including more exam administrations

! Prior to 2013 ACT reports did not include test-takers who had been granted accommodations, such as extra time

source: ACT and College Board annual "College Bound Seniors" reports since 1991. U.S. Department of Education, Nat'l. Center for Educational Statistics data for earlier years. Calculations by FairTest.

TEST OPTIONAL GROWTH CHRONOLOGY 2005-2016

Winter 2004-2005	Susquehanna University ("Write Option" for all) Sarah Lawrence College
Spring 2005	Lawrence University The College of the Holy Cross St. Lawrence University
Fall 2005	Knox College Drew University Chatham College
Spring 2006	Bennington College Gustavus Adolphus College George Mason University (3.5 GPA) Lebanon Valley College
Summer 2006	Hobart & William Smith Colleges Providence College
Fall 2006	Gettysburg College Union College Franklin & Marshall College (extend optional policy to all) King's College Nazareth College Mitchell College Lake Forest College Salisbury University (3.5 GPA)
Winter 2006-2007	Simon's Rock College of Bard Keuka College Stonehill College Whitworth College Denison University
Spring 2007	Rollins College Worcester Polytechnic Institute Wilson College (3.0 GPA) Georgian Court College
Summer 2007	Merrimack College Goucher College Green Mountain College Christopher Newport University (3.5 GPA or top 10%)
Fall 2007	Wittenberg University Washington College (3.5 GPA or learning disability) Augustana College
Spring 2008	Baldwin-Wallace College Smith College Wake Forest University Marlboro College
Summer 2008	Albright College

	Belmont Abbey College (3.0 GPA)
Winter 2008-2009	Sewanee—The University of the South
Spring 2009	Fairfield University Connecticut College (now completely test-optional) Colby College ("SAT Options" policy requires one of several tests) New York University (similar to Colby) Loyola University Maryland Bryn Mawr ("Test Flexible" policy) Illinois College Assumption College American University
Summer 2009	Agnes Scott College Sacred Heart University State University of New York (SUNY) – Potsdam Washington & Jefferson College
Winter 2009-2010	Ursinus College
Spring 2010	St. Michael's College St. Anselm College Southern New Hampshire University Marist College Manhattanville College Colorado College ("Flexible Testing" policy)
Summer 2010	American University Wagner College Salve Regina University
Fall 2010	Virginia Wesleyan Eugene Lang College – The New School for Liberal Arts The Sage Colleges
Winter 2010 - 2011	DePaul University
Summer 2011	Bryant University Earlham College Nichols College Anna Maria College
Fall 2011	St. Leo College Clark University
Spring 2012	Ithaca College
Summer 2012	College of Saint Rose University of Rochester ("Test Flexible" policy) Lees-McRae College William Jewell College
Fall 2012	Roger Williams University
Winter 2012 – 2013	Catawba College
Summer 2013	Brandeis University Hood College Lynn University Regis College Saint Joseph's University

	<p>Emmanuel College Hampshire College ("Test Blind" – previously test-optional) Old Dominion University Wesleyan University</p>
Spring 2014	
Summer 2014	<p>Beloit College Bryn Mawr College (previously "Test Flexible") Eastern Connecticut State University (3.0 GPA) Hofstra University Montclair State University Plymouth State University Rowan University Temple University</p>
Fall 2014	<p>Brevard College Duquesne University (3.0 GPA for College of Liberal Arts) Columbus College of Art & Design Mercyhurst University Thomas College</p>
Winter 2014 – 2015	<p>Cabrini College Pine Manor College Radford University (3.5 GPA) Roanoke College (3.0 GPA) Siena College Transylvania University Virginia Commonwealth University (3.3 GPA)</p>
Spring 2015	<p>Allegheny College Dean College Kalamazoo College Le Moyne College Multnomah University University of Mary Washington (3.5 GPA) University of Puget Sound</p>
Summer 2015	<p>Cornell College Drake University Franklin Pierce University George Washington University Marymount University (3.0 GPA) Point Park University (3.0 GPA) Rivier University St. Peters University The Catholic University of America University of Saint Joseph (3.0 GPA) Walsh University Warren Wilson College Western New England University</p>
Fall 2015	<p>Bay Path University College of Idaho Elmira College Lake Erie College Salem State University (Mass.) Trinity College (previously test-flexible) University of Massachusetts -- Lowell</p>
Winter 2015-2016	<p>Siena Heights University Mills College</p>