



# School Board Report



Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics  
Primary Division (Grades 1–3) and Junior Division (Grades 4–6), 2006–2007

## Board: Waterloo Catholic DSB (67148)

I am pleased to provide you with this report on the Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics, Primary Division (Grades 1–3) and Junior Division (Grades 4–6) for 2006–2007. Included are student results for the current year, those from previous years and, to put these results in context, information about the student populations.

Throughout the province, EQAO data inform professional practice and act as a catalyst for improving student achievement. This report has been designed to assist you in your conversations about improving student achievement and planning interventions for students.

We believe that every student deserves the best outcome from public education. Working with Ontario educators, EQAO continues to design assessments that are directly linked to *The Ontario Curriculum*. These assessments provide a means of measuring student learning at a few critical transition points and are a vehicle for assuring people that, at those points, all Ontario students are being assessed by the same yardstick.

However, large-scale assessment results are just one piece of the picture of how students are doing in our schools. These assessment results should be considered in conjunction with school-based information. As well, regular assessments conducted by a student’s teacher should be the primary method of supporting students in their schooling.

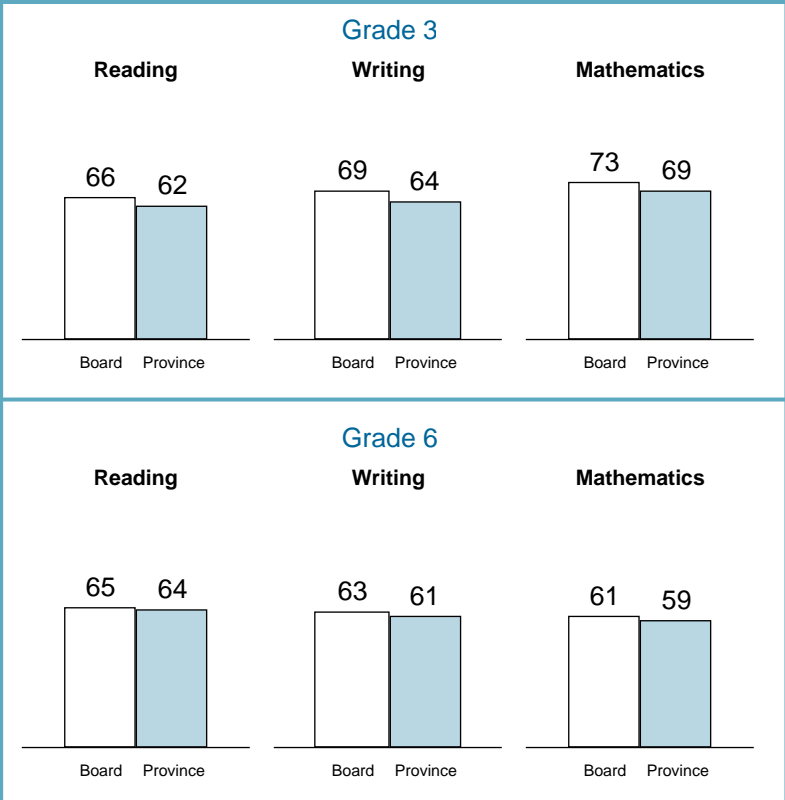
I hope this report will help parents, educators and all who support a strong public education system to work together so that all students achieve their fullest potential.

Sincerely,

Marguerite Jackson  
Chief Executive Officer

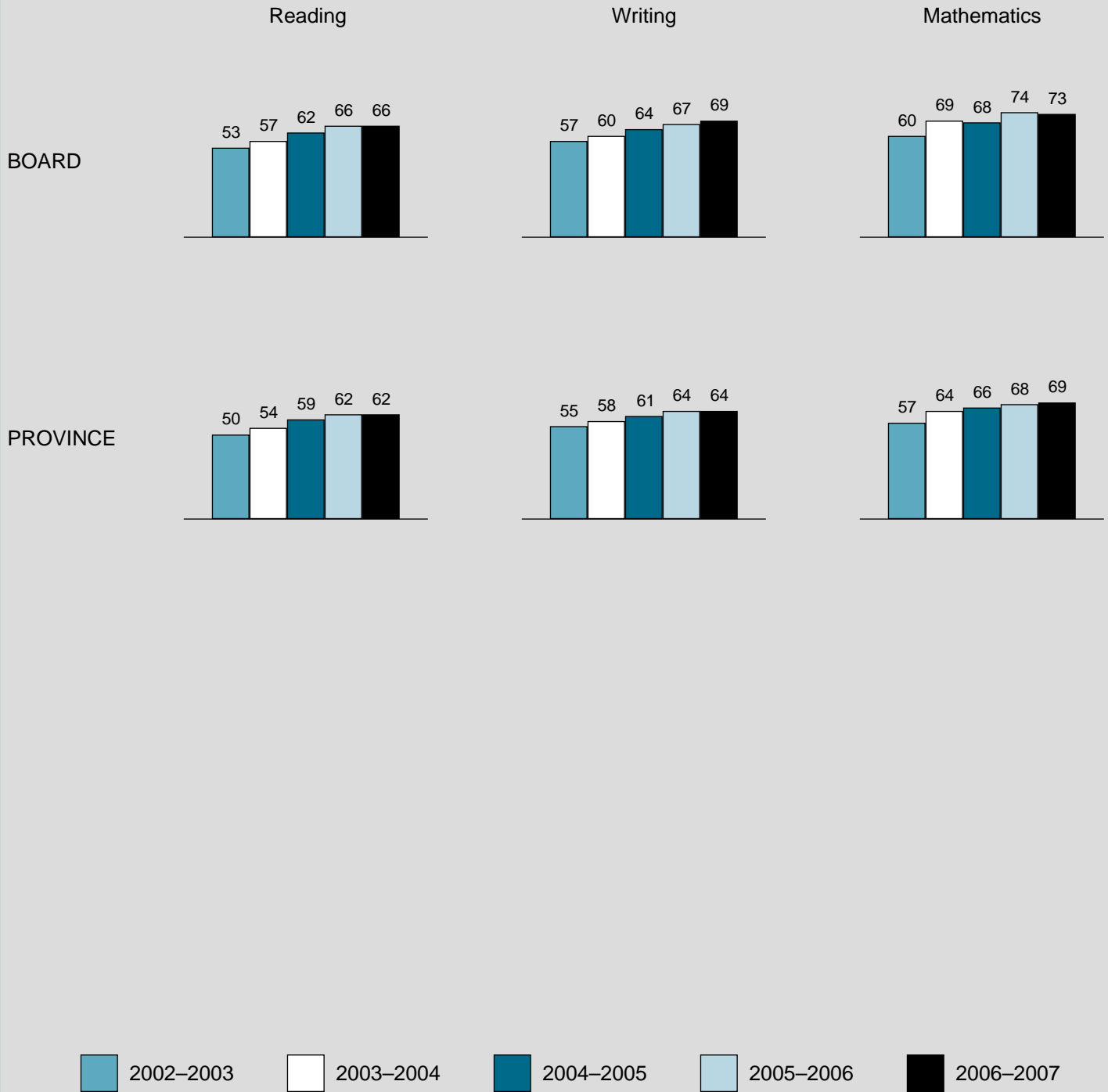
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RESULTS FOR ALL STUDENTS AT OR ABOVE THE PROVINCIAL STANDARD (LEVELS 3 AND 4) OVER TIME

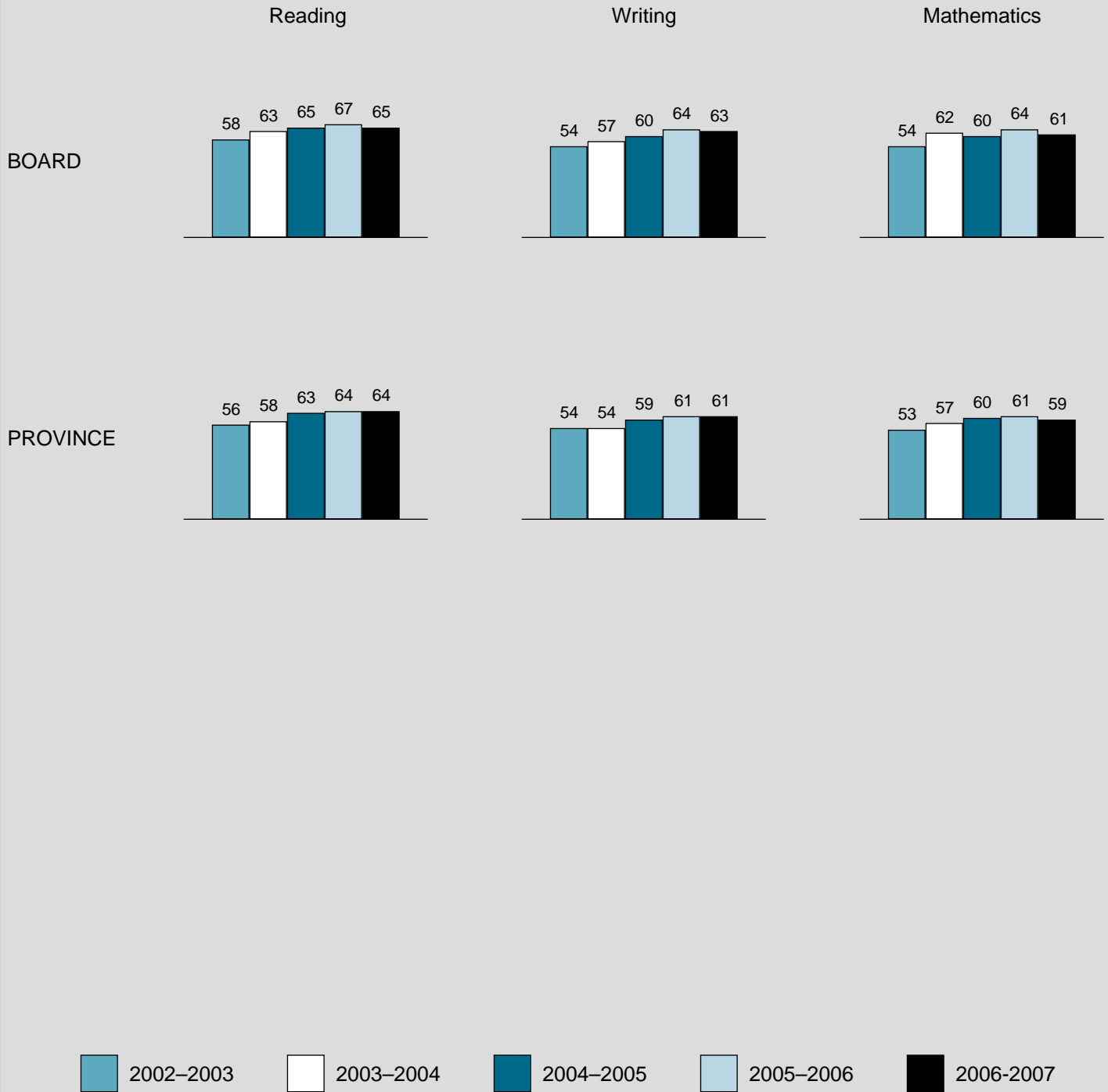
Percentage of Students: Grade 3



Total Number of Grade 3 Students					
	<u>2002-2003</u>	<u>2003-2004</u>	<u>2004-2005</u>	<u>2005-2006</u>	<u>2006-2007</u>
Board	1 801	1 764	1 755	1 597	1 653
Province	140 860	141 245	135 740	132 782	131 012

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

**Percentage of Students: Grade 6**



<b>Total Number of Grade 6 Students</b>					
	<u>2002-2003</u>	<u>2003-2004</u>	<u>2004-2005</u>	<u>2005-2006</u>	<u>2006-2007</u>
Board	1 879	1 837	1 893	1 822	1 766
Province	144 676	146 169	143 421	146 711	145 901

## 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 where fewer than 15 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 over the past five years 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
- ◆ 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?
- ◆ Speak to the school principal or the school council chair 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.

Learn more about us at [www.eqao.com](http://www.eqao.com).

## Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics, Primary and Junior Divisions, 2006–2007

**Contextual Information: Grade 3\***

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

Demographic Information	Board		Province	
<b>Enrolment</b>				
Number of Grade 3 students	1 653		131 012	
Number of classes with Grade 3 students	110		8 693	
Number of schools with Grade 3 classes	48		3 378	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>Gender</b>				
Female	798	48%	63 830	49%
Male	855	52%	67 167	51%
Gender not specified	0	0%	15	<1%
<b>Student Status</b>				
ESL/ELD learners**	48	3%	10 116	8%
Students with special needs (excluding gifted)**	314	19%	16 575	13%
<b>Place of Birth</b>				
Born in Canada	1 546	94%	116 315	89%
Born outside Canada	104	6%	14 279	11%
In Canada less than one year	2	<1%	1 709	1%
In Canada one year or more but less than three years	17	1%	3 020	2%
In Canada three years or more	72	4%	8 066	6%
<b>Language</b>				
First language learned at home was other than English	239	14%	22 434	17%
<b>Year Student Entered Current School</b>				
2006–2007	168	10%	17 516	13%
2005–2006	135	8%	19 614	15%
2004–2005	162	10%	20 917	16%
Prior to 2004–2005	1 184	72%	71 675	55%
Data not available	4	<1%	1 290	1%
<b>Year Student Entered Current Board</b>				
2006–2007	88	5%	8 539	7%
2005–2006	71	4%	12 968	10%
2004–2005	95	6%	15 866	12%
Prior to 2004–2005	1 393	84%	77 908	59%
Data not available	6	<1%	15 731	12%

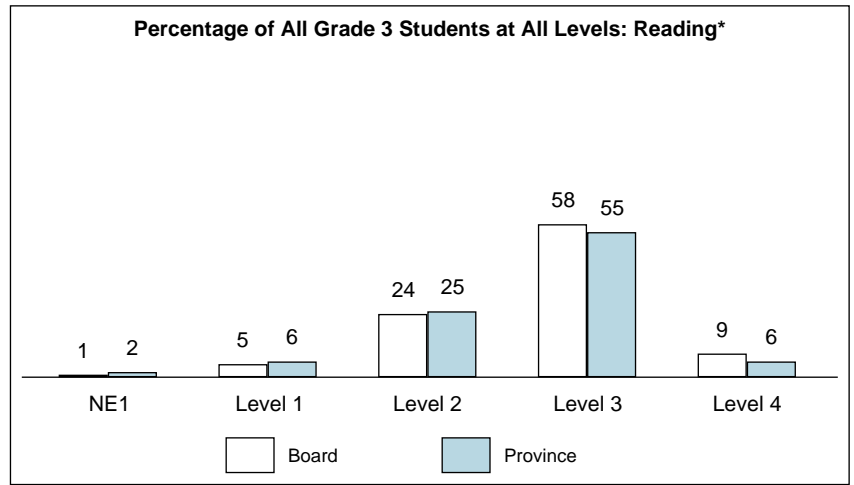
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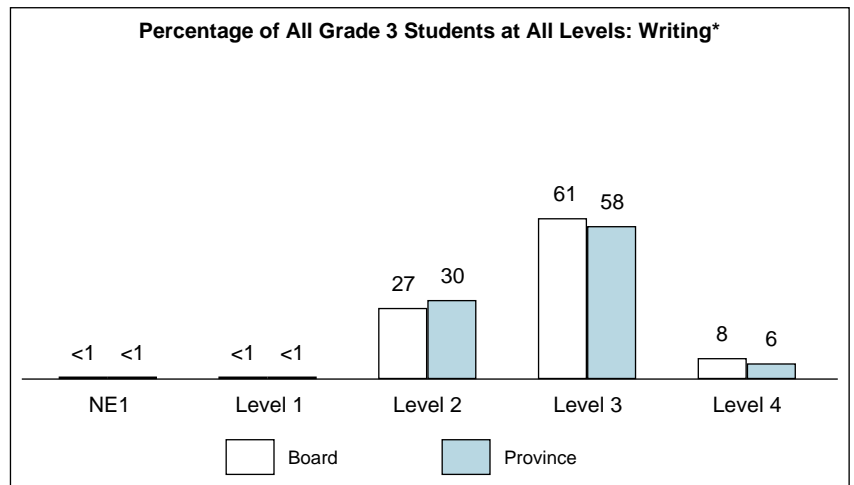
## Results in Reading, Writing and Mathematics, 2006–2007

### Grade 3: All Students<sup>††</sup>

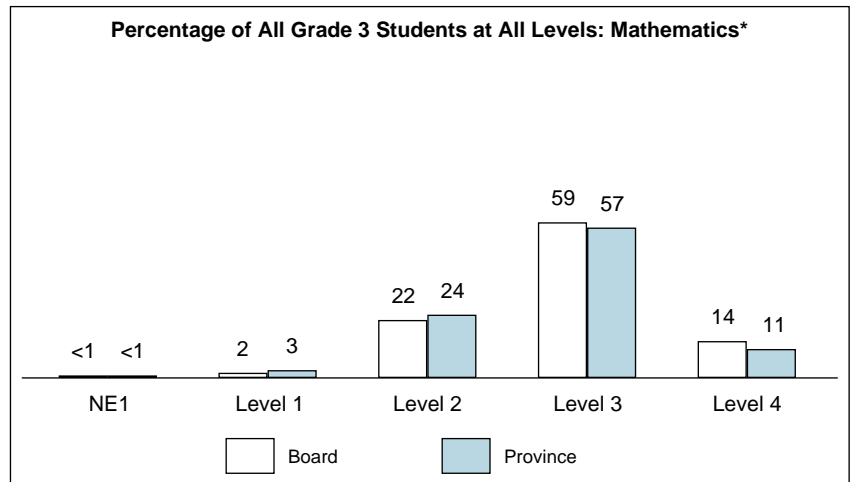
Grade 3: Reading*			
Number of Students	Board 1 653		Province 127 618
	#	%	%
Level 4	143	9%	6%
Level 3	955	58%	55%
Level 2	392	24%	25%
Level 1	83	5%	6%
NE1**	16	1%	2%
Participating Students	1 589	96%	95%
No Data	15	1%	1%
Exempt	49	3%	4%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) <sup>†</sup>	66%		62%



Grade 3: Writing*			
Number of Students	Board 1 653		Province 127 618
	#	%	%
Level 4	125	8%	6%
Level 3	1 016	61%	58%
Level 2	445	27%	30%
Level 1	1	<1%	<1%
NE1**	4	<1%	<1%
Participating Students	1 591	96%	95%
No Data	15	1%	1%
Exempt	47	3%	4%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) <sup>†</sup>	69%		64%



Grade 3: Mathematics*			
Number of Students	Board 1 653		Province 130 996
	#	%	%
Level 4	231	14%	11%
Level 3	971	59%	57%
Level 2	366	22%	24%
Level 1	28	2%	3%
NE1**	1	<1%	<1%
Participating Students	1 597	97%	95%
No Data	16	1%	1%
Exempt	40	2%	3%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) <sup>†</sup>	73%		69%



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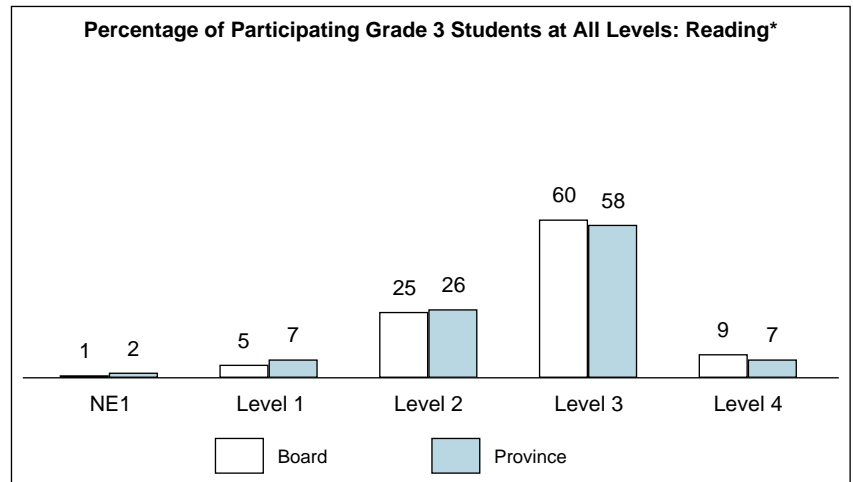
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†† Some French Immersion students did not write all components of the assessment in Grade 3; the numbers shown are based on the number of students who were expected to write each component.

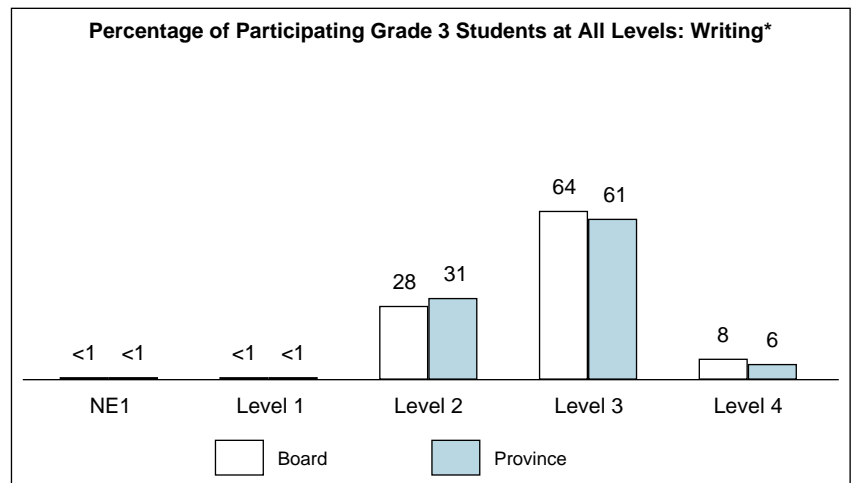
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**Grade 3: Participating Students (excludes “no data” and “exempt” categories)**

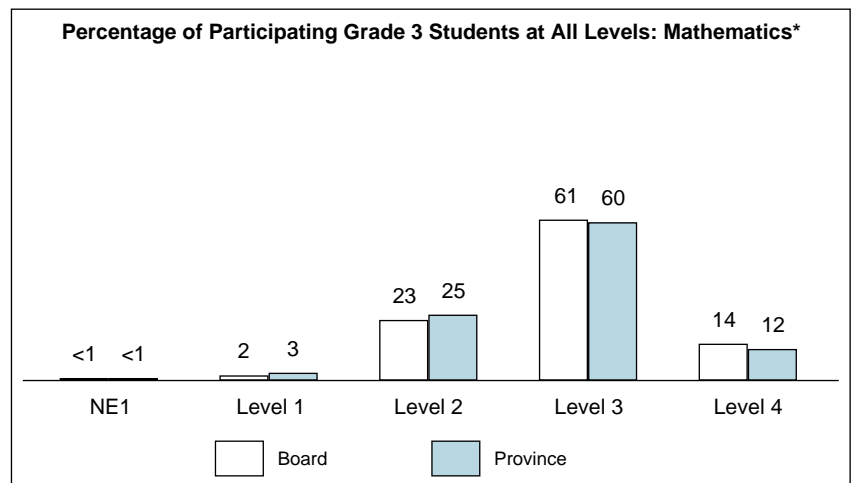
Grade 3: Reading*			
Number of Students	Board 1 589		Province 121 001
	#	%	%
Level 4	143	9%	7%
Level 3	955	60%	58%
Level 2	392	25%	26%
Level 1	83	5%	7%
NE1**	16	1%	2%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) †	69%		65%



Grade 3: Writing*			
Number of Students	Board 1 591		Province 121 235
	#	%	%
Level 4	125	8%	6%
Level 3	1 016	64%	61%
Level 2	445	28%	31%
Level 1	1	<1%	<1%
NE1**	4	<1%	<1%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) †	72%		68%



Grade 3: Mathematics*			
Number of Students	Board 1 597		Province 125 095
	#	%	%
Level 4	231	14%	12%
Level 3	971	61%	60%
Level 2	366	23%	25%
Level 1	28	2%	3%
NE1**	1	<1%	<1%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) †	75%		72%



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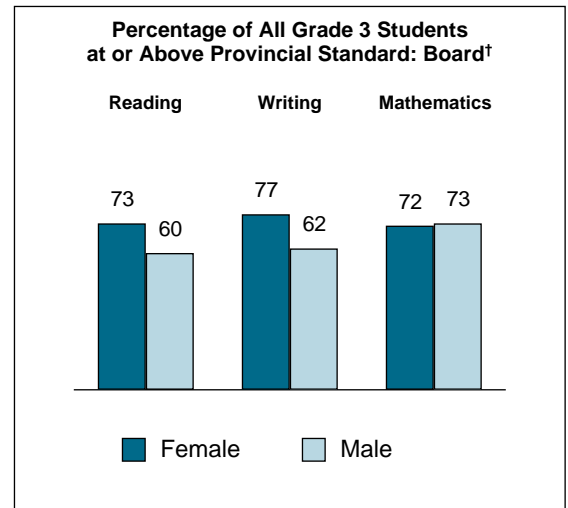
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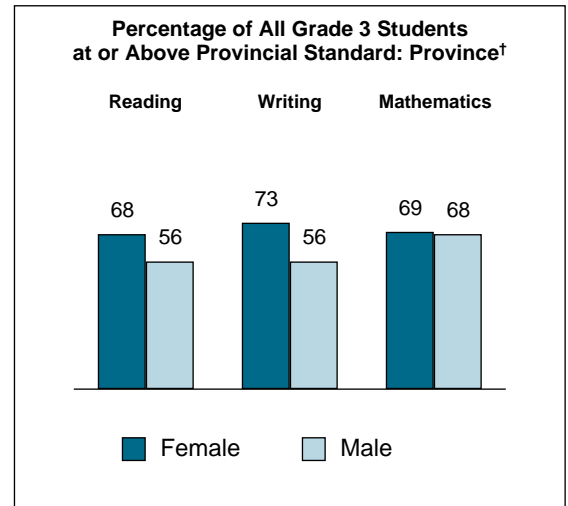
Results in Reading, Writing and Mathematics, 2006–2007

Grade 3: Gender††

Grade 3: Board*						
Number of Students	Reading		Writing		Mathematics	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
	798	855	798	855	798	855
Level 4	12%	5%	11%	4%	15%	13%
Level 3	61%	55%	66%	57%	57%	60%
Level 2	19%	28%	20%	33%	24%	21%
Level 1	4%	6%	<1%	0%	2%	1%
NE1**	<1%	2%	0%	<1%	0%	<1%
Participating Students	97%	95%	97%	95%	98%	96%
No Data	<1%	1%	<1%	1%	<1%	2%
Exempt	3%	3%	2%	3%	2%	3%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†	73%	60%	77%	62%	72%	73%



Grade 3: Province*						
Number of Students	Reading		Writing		Mathematics	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
	61 875	65 728	61 875	65 728	63 821	67 160
Level 4	8%	4%	9%	3%	11%	11%
Level 3	59%	51%	64%	53%	58%	56%
Level 2	22%	28%	23%	36%	24%	23%
Level 1	5%	8%	<1%	1%	2%	3%
NE1**	1%	2%	<1%	1%	<1%	1%
Participating Students	96%	93%	96%	94%	97%	95%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Exempt	3%	5%	3%	5%	3%	4%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†	68%	56%	73%	56%	69%	68%



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## Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics, Primary and Junior Divisions, 2006–2007

**Contextual Information: Grade 6\***

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

Demographic Information	Board		Province	
<b>Enrolment</b>				
Number of Grade 6 students	1 766		145 901	
Number of classes with Grade 6 students	84		8 566	
Number of schools with Grade 6 classes	48		3 195	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>Gender</b>				
Female	880	50%	70 863	49%
Male	886	50%	75 036	51%
Gender not specified	0	0%	2	<1%
<b>Student Status</b>				
ESL/ELD learners**	36	2%	6 630	5%
Students with special needs (excluding gifted)**	468	27%	24 633	17%
<b>Place of Birth</b>				
Born in Canada	1 664	94%	127 738	88%
Born outside Canada	102	6%	17 733	12%
In Canada less than one year	1	<1%	2 163	1%
In Canada one year or more but less than three years	16	1%	3 019	2%
In Canada three years or more	74	4%	11 035	8%
<b>Language</b>				
First language learned at home was other than English	269	15%	24 183	17%
<b>Year Student Entered Current School</b>				
2006–2007	153	9%	31 824	22%
2005–2006	129	7%	19 410	13%
2004–2005	146	8%	17 412	12%
Prior to 2004–2005	1 335	76%	75 021	51%
Data not available	3	<1%	2 234	2%
<b>Year Student Entered Current Board</b>				
2006–2007	69	4%	9 764	7%
2005–2006	61	3%	13 069	9%
2004–2005	74	4%	14 101	10%
Prior to 2004–2005	1 559	88%	88 527	61%
Data not available	3	<1%	20 440	14%

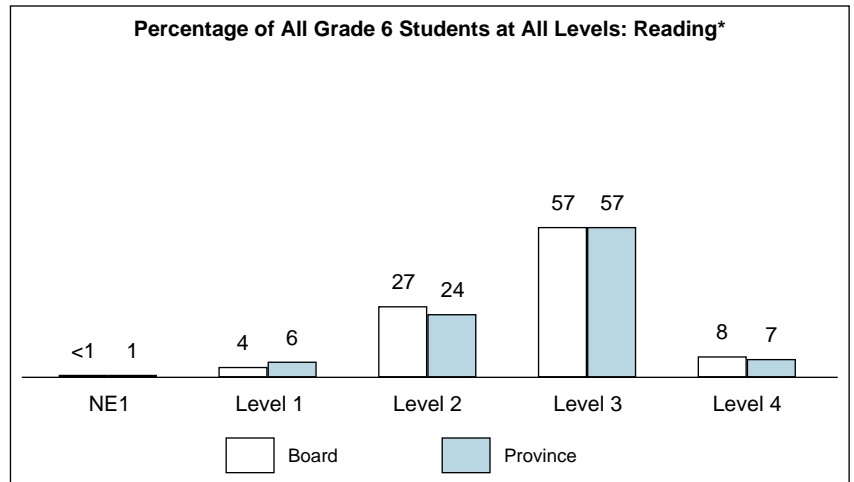
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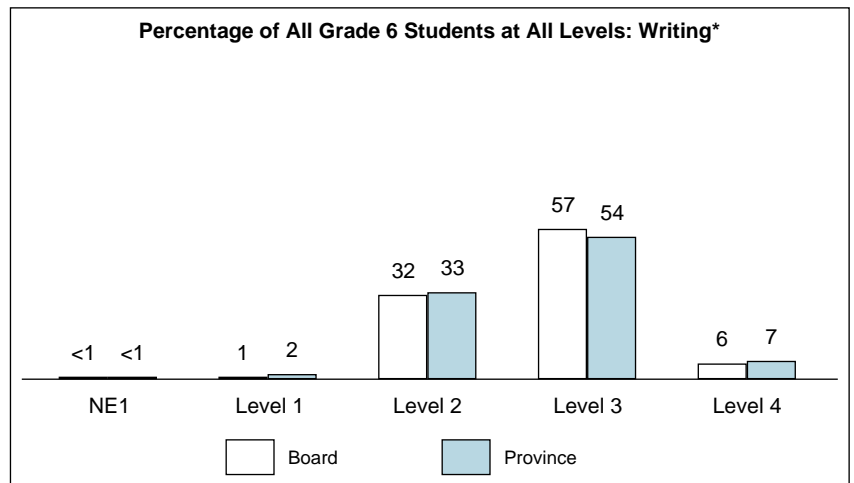
## Results in Reading, Writing and Mathematics, 2006–2007

### Grade 6: All Students

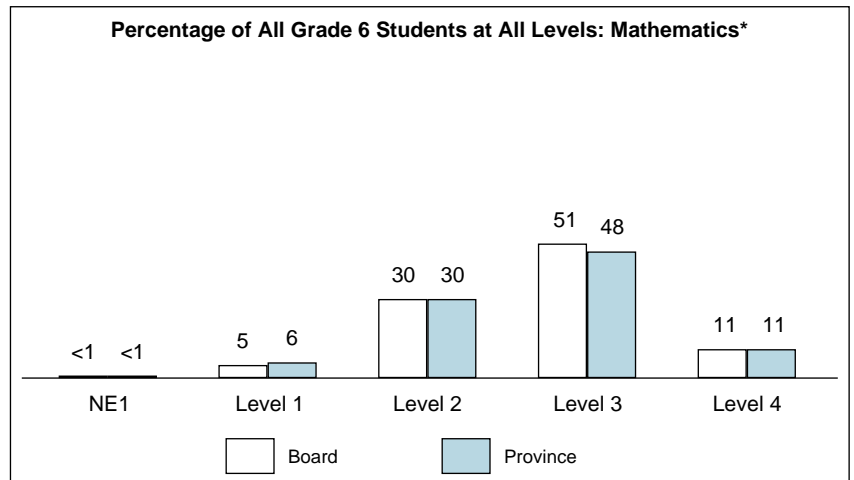
Grade 6: Reading*				
Number of Students	Board 1 766		Province 145 901	
	#	%	#	%
Level 4	138	8%		7%
Level 3	1 005	57%		57%
Level 2	473	27%		24%
Level 1	79	4%		6%
NE1**	6	<1%		1%
Participating Students	1 701	96%		95%
No Data	18	1%		1%
Exempt	47	3%		3%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) †		65%	64%	



Grade 6: Writing*				
Number of Students	Board 1 766		Province 145 901	
	#	%	#	%
Level 4	109	6%		7%
Level 3	1 006	57%		54%
Level 2	567	32%		33%
Level 1	15	1%		2%
NE1**	2	<1%		<1%
Participating Students	1 699	96%		95%
No Data	19	1%		1%
Exempt	48	3%		3%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) †		63%	61%	



Grade 6: Mathematics*				
Number of Students	Board 1 766		Province 145 901	
	#	%	#	%
Level 4	191	11%		11%
Level 3	894	51%		48%
Level 2	529	30%		30%
Level 1	84	5%		6%
NE1**	1	<1%		<1%
Participating Students	1 699	96%		95%
No Data	17	1%		1%
Exempt	50	3%		4%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) †		61%	59%	



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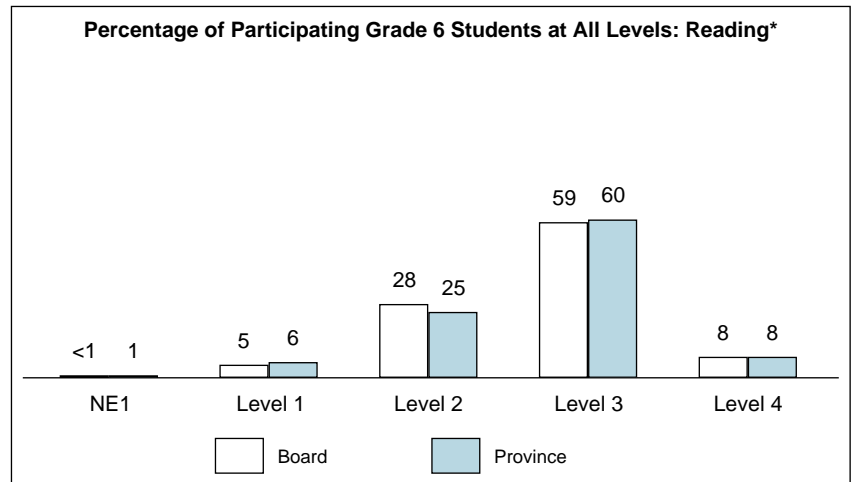
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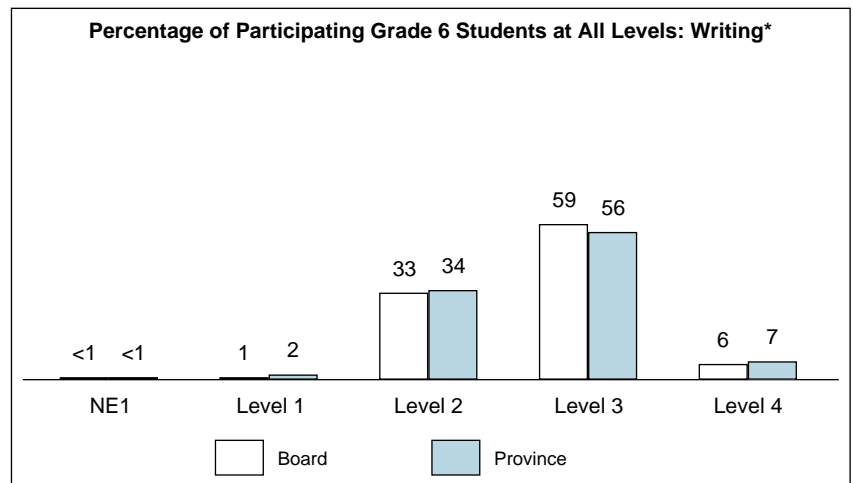
Results in Reading, Writing and Mathematics, 2006–2007

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

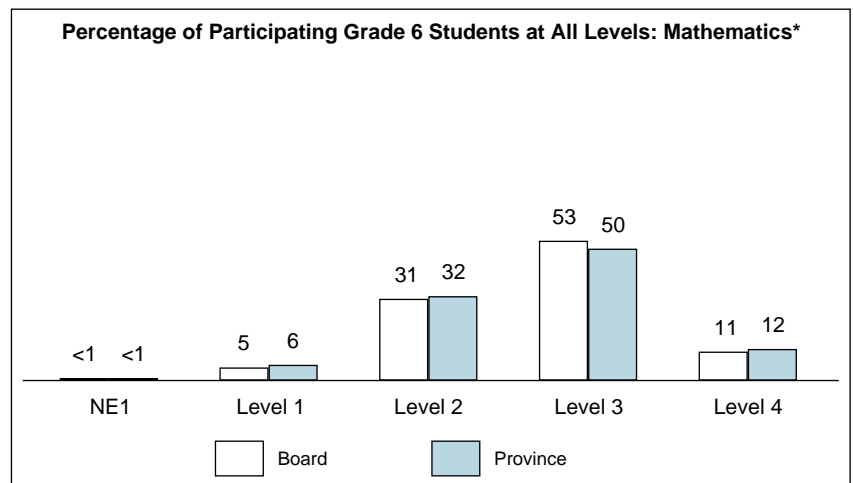
Grade 6: Reading*			
Number of Students	Board 1 701		Province 139 317
	#	%	%
Level 4	138	8%	8%
Level 3	1 005	59%	60%
Level 2	473	28%	25%
Level 1	79	5%	6%
NE1**	6	<1%	1%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) †		67%	67%



Grade 6: Writing*			
Number of Students	Board 1 699		Province 139 329
	#	%	%
Level 4	109	6%	7%
Level 3	1 006	59%	56%
Level 2	567	33%	34%
Level 1	15	1%	2%
NE1**	2	<1%	<1%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) †		66%	63%



Grade 6: Mathematics*			
Number of Students	Board 1 699		Province 139 140
	#	%	%
Level 4	191	11%	12%
Level 3	894	53%	50%
Level 2	529	31%	32%
Level 1	84	5%	6%
NE1**	1	<1%	<1%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) †		64%	62%



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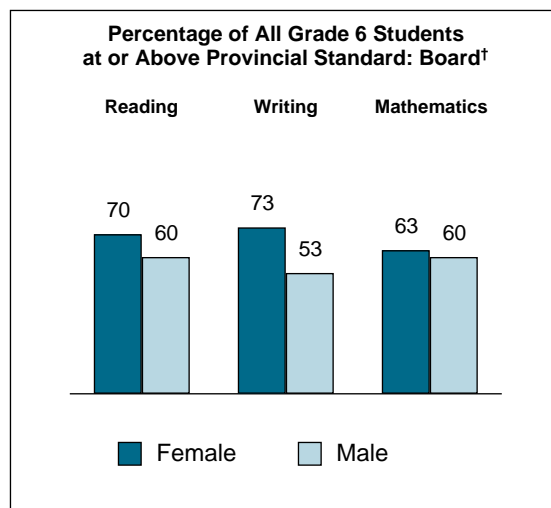
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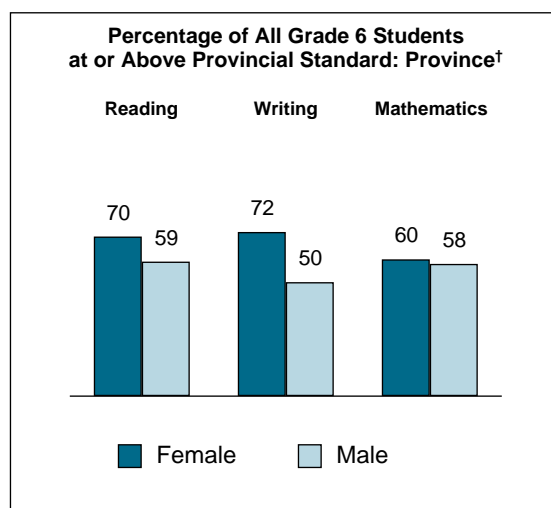
## Results in Reading, Writing and Mathematics, 2006–2007

### Grade 6: Gender††

Grade 6: Board*						
Number of Students	Reading		Writing		Mathematics	
	Female 880	Male 886	Female 880	Male 886	Female 880	Male 886
Level 4	10%	6%	10%	3%	11%	11%
Level 3	60%	54%	63%	51%	52%	49%
Level 2	24%	29%	24%	41%	30%	30%
Level 1	3%	6%	<1%	1%	4%	6%
NE1**	<1%	<1%	0%	<1%	0%	<1%
Participating Students	97%	95%	97%	95%	97%	96%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%
Exempt	2%	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†	70%	60%	73%	53%	63%	60%



Grade 6: Province*						
Number of Students	Reading		Writing		Mathematics	
	Female 70 863	Male 75 036	Female 70 863	Male 75 036	Female 70 863	Male 75 036
Level 4	10%	5%	10%	4%	11%	12%
Level 3	61%	53%	62%	46%	49%	47%
Level 2	21%	27%	24%	41%	31%	30%
Level 1	4%	8%	1%	3%	5%	6%
NE1**	1%	1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%
Participating Students	97%	94%	97%	94%	96%	94%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Exempt	3%	4%	2%	4%	3%	4%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†	70%	59%	72%	50%	60%	58%



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## Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics, Primary and Junior Divisions, 2006–2007

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

This information provides a context for interpreting the board's results over the past five years.

Grade 3	2002–2003	2003–2004	2004–2005	2005–2006	2006–2007
<b>Enrolment</b>					
Number of students	1 801	1 764	1 755	1 597	1 653
<b>Participation in the Assessment</b>					
Reading <sup>†</sup>	93%	93%	93%	94%	96%
Writing <sup>†</sup>	94%	93%	94%	95%	96%
Mathematics <sup>†</sup>	94%	94%	95%	96%	97%
<b>Gender</b>					
Female	48%	50%	50%	49%	48%
Male	52%	49%	48%	51%	52%
<b>Student Status</b>					
ESL/ELD learners**	4% <sup>+</sup>	3%	3%	1%	3%
Students with special needs (excluding gifted)**	22% <sup>++</sup>	21%	16%	18%	19%
<b>Place of Birth</b>					
Born in Canada	n/a	93%	92%	93%	94%
Born outside Canada	5%	5%	5%	5%	6%
In Canada less than one year	<1%	1%	1%	<1%	<1%
In Canada one year or more but less than three years	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
In Canada three years or more	2%	2%	3%	3%	4%
<b>Language</b>					
First language learned at home was other than English	13%	12%	12%	14%	14%
<b>Year Student Entered Current Board</b>					
Year of the assessment	Data not collected <sup>††</sup>			5%	5%
Year prior to the assessment				5%	4%
2 years prior to the assessment				5%	6%
3 or more years prior to the assessment				84%	84%
Data not available				2%	<1%

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† Some French Immersion students did not write all components of the assessment in Grade 3; the numbers shown are based on the number of students who were expected to write each component.

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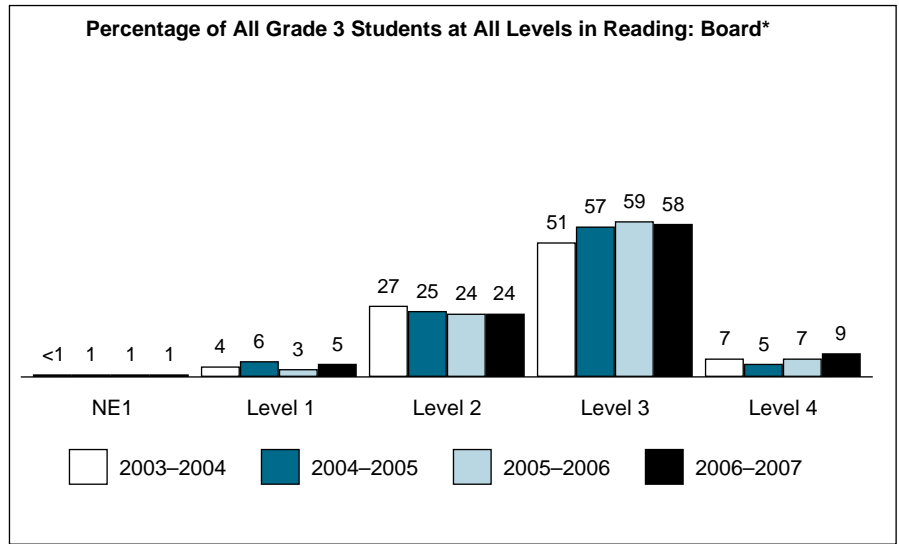
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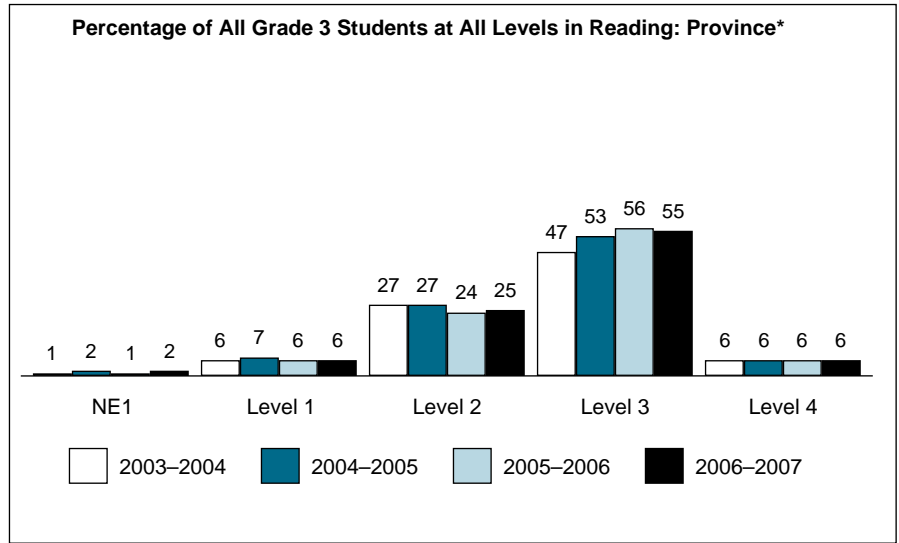
Results over Time, 2003–2004 to 2006–2007\*

**Grade 3: Reading**

Grade 3 Reading: Board*				
Year	'03-'04	'04-'05	'05-'06	'06-'07
<i>Number of Students</i>	1 764	1 755	1 597	1 653
Level 4	7%	5%	7%	9%
Level 3	51%	57%	59%	58%
Level 2	27%	25%	24%	24%
Level 1	4%	6%	3%	5%
NE1**	<1%	1%	1%	1%
NEIS††	3%	---	---	---
<i>Participating Students</i>	93%	93%	94%	96%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	1%
Exempt	6%	6%	5%	3%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	57%	62%	66%	66%



Grade 3 Reading: Province*				
Year	'03-'04	'04-'05	'05-'06	'06-'07
<i>Number of Students</i>	138 290	132 667	129 630	127 618
Level 4	6%	6%	6%	6%
Level 3	47%	53%	56%	55%
Level 2	27%	27%	24%	25%
Level 1	6%	7%	6%	6%
NE1**	1%	2%	1%	2%
NEIS††	6%	---	---	---
<i>Participating Students</i>	93%	94%	94%	95%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	1%
Exempt	6%	5%	5%	4%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	54%	59%	62%	62%



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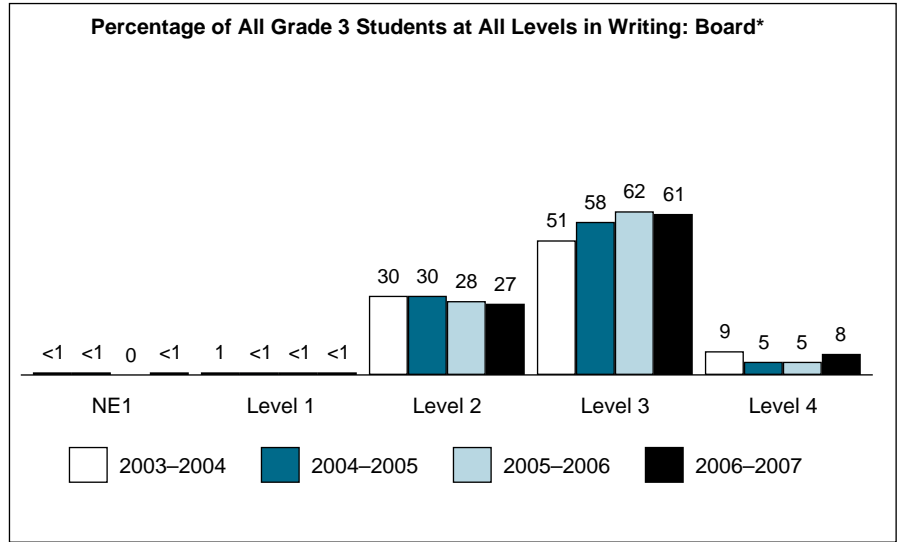
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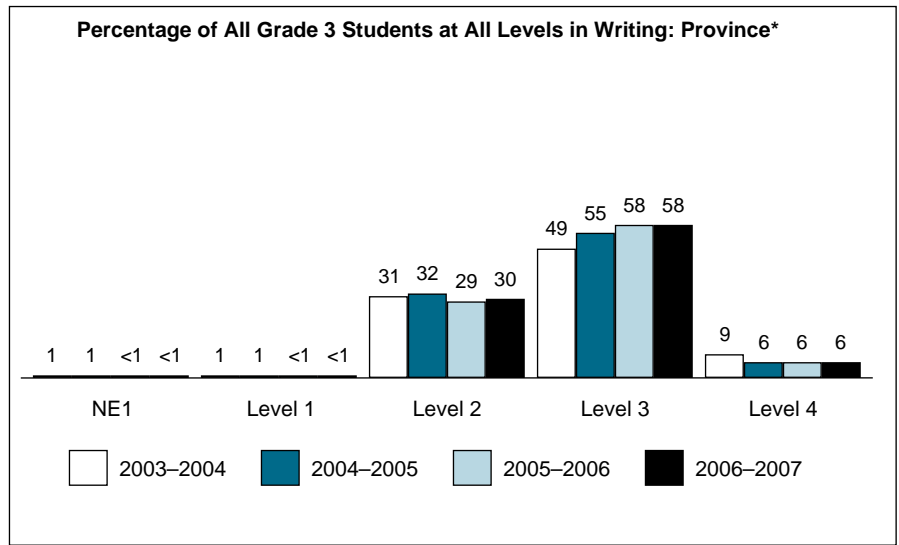
Results over Time, 2003–2004 to 2006–2007\*

**Grade 3: Writing**

Grade 3 Writing: Board*				
Year	'03-'04	'04-'05	'05-'06	'06-'07
<i>Number of Students</i>	1 764	1 755	1 597	1 653
Level 4	9%	5%	5%	8%
Level 3	51%	58%	62%	61%
Level 2	30%	30%	28%	27%
Level 1	1%	<1%	<1%	<1%
NE1**	<1%	<1%	0%	<1%
NEIS††	2%	---	---	---
<i>Participating Students</i>	93%	94%	95%	96%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	1%
Exempt	5%	5%	4%	3%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	60%	64%	67%	69%



Grade 3 Writing: Province*				
Year	'03-'04	'04-'05	'05-'06	'06-'07
<i>Number of Students</i>	138 290	132 667	129 630	127 618
Level 4	9%	6%	6%	6%
Level 3	49%	55%	58%	58%
Level 2	31%	32%	29%	30%
Level 1	1%	1%	<1%	<1%
NE1**	1%	1%	<1%	<1%
NEIS††	3%	---	---	---
<i>Participating Students</i>	94%	94%	94%	95%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	1%
Exempt	5%	5%	5%	4%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	58%	61%	64%	64%



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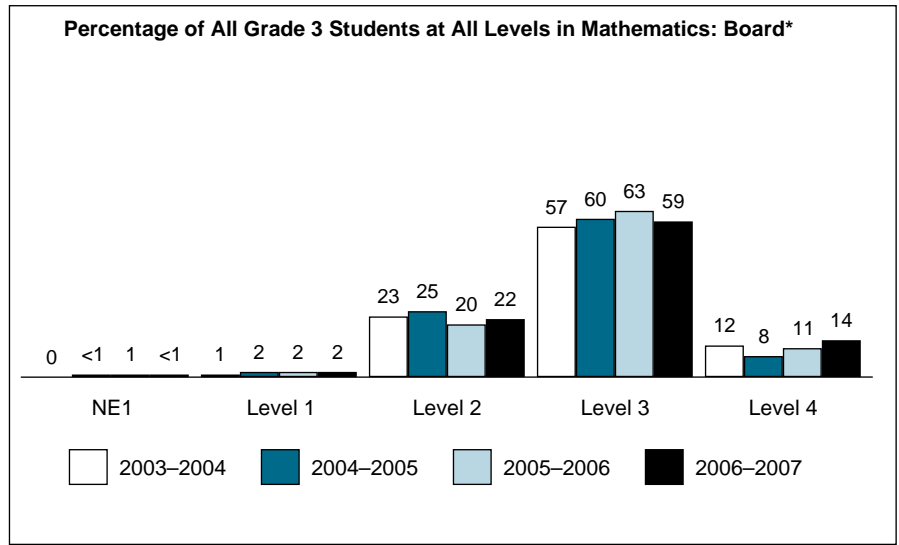
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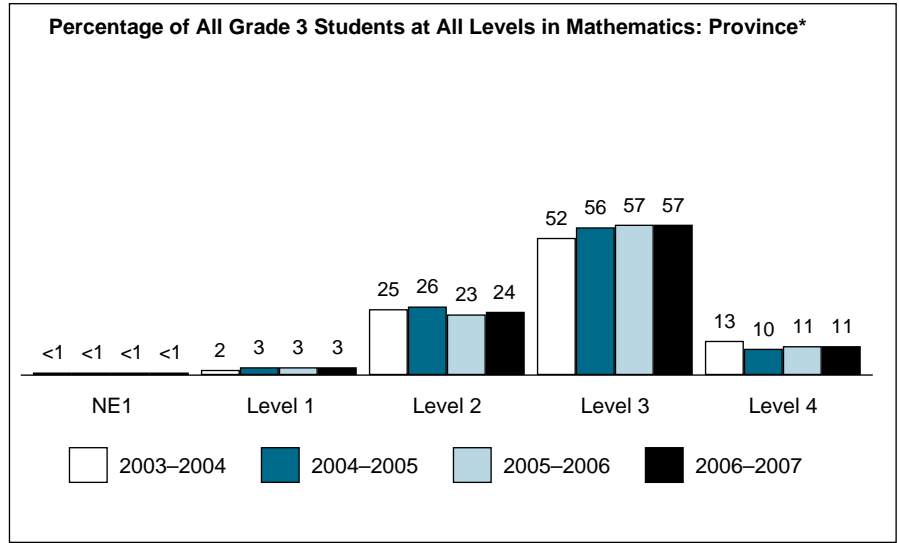
Results over Time, 2003–2004 to 2006–2007♦

**Grade 3: Mathematics**

Grade 3 Mathematics: Board*				
Year	'03-'04	'04-'05	'05-'06	'06-'07
<i>Number of Students</i>	1 764	1 755	1 597	1 653
Level 4	12%	8%	11%	14%
Level 3	57%	60%	63%	59%
Level 2	23%	25%	20%	22%
Level 1	1%	2%	2%	2%
NE1**	0%	<1%	1%	<1%
NEIS††	1%	---	---	---
<i>Participating Students</i>	94%	95%	96%	97%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	1%
Exempt	5%	4%	3%	2%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	69%	68%	74%	73%



Grade 3 Mathematics: Province*				
Year	'03-'04	'04-'05	'05-'06	'06-'07
<i>Number of Students</i>	141 245	135 740	132 782	130 996
Level 4	13%	10%	11%	11%
Level 3	52%	56%	57%	57%
Level 2	25%	26%	23%	24%
Level 1	2%	3%	3%	3%
NE1**	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%
NEIS††	3%	---	---	---
<i>Participating Students</i>	94%	95%	95%	95%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	1%
Exempt	5%	4%	4%	3%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	64%	66%	68%	69%



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

This information provides a context for interpreting the board's results over the past five years.

Grade 6	2002–2003	2003–2004	2004–2005	2005–2006	2006–2007
<b>Enrolment</b>					
Number of students	1 879	1 837	1 893	1 822	1 766
<b>Participation in the Assessment</b>					
Reading	94%	93%	95%	97%	96%
Writing	95%	93%	95%	97%	96%
Mathematics	95%	93%	95%	97%	96%
<b>Gender</b>					
Female	50%	48%	49%	49%	50%
Male	49%	52%	51%	51%	50%
<b>Student Status</b>					
ESL/ELD learners**	1% <sup>+</sup>	2%	1%	1%	2%
Students with special needs (excluding gifted)**	24% <sup>++</sup>	23%	22%	23%	27%
<b>Place of Birth</b>					
Born in Canada	n/a	93%	93%	93%	94%
Born outside Canada	6%	5%	6%	6%	6%
In Canada less than one year	<1%	<1%	1%	<1%	<1%
In Canada one year or more but less than three years	1%	1%	<1%	1%	1%
In Canada three years or more	4%	4%	4%	5%	4%
<b>Language</b>					
First language learned at home was other than English	13%	14%	11%	16%	15%
<b>Year Student Entered Current Board</b>					
Year of the assessment	Data not collected <sup>††</sup>			3%	4%
Year prior to the assessment				5%	3%
2 years prior to the assessment				3%	4%
3 or more years prior to the assessment				87%	88%
Data not available				1%	<1%

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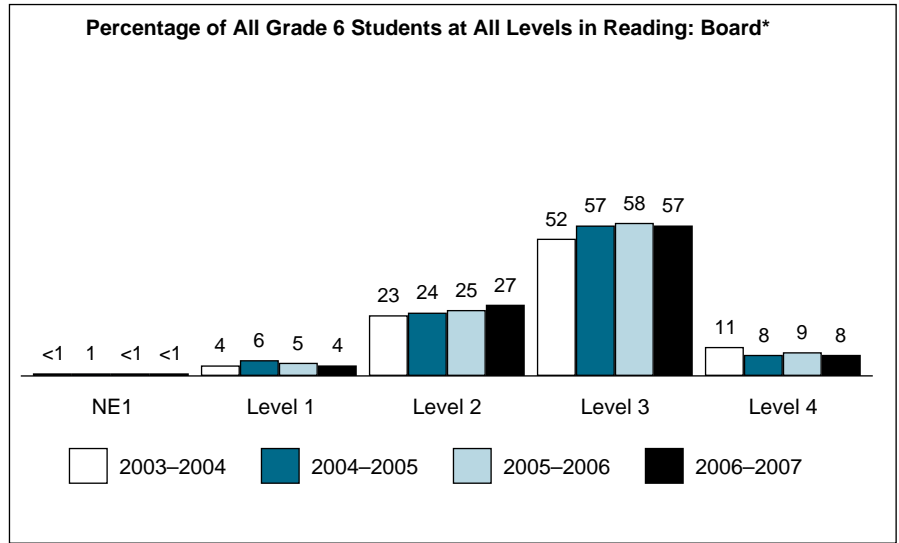
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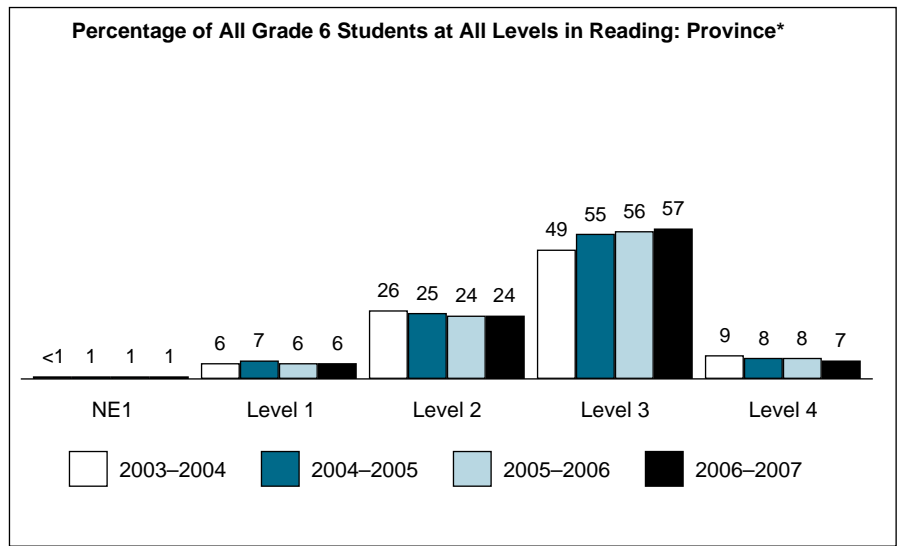
Results over Time, 2003–2004 to 2006–2007\*

**Grade 6: Reading**

Grade 6 Reading: Board*				
Year	'03-'04	'04-'05	'05-'06	'06-'07
<i>Number of Students</i>	1 837	1 893	1 822	1 766
Level 4	11%	8%	9%	8%
Level 3	52%	57%	58%	57%
Level 2	23%	24%	25%	27%
Level 1	4%	6%	5%	4%
NE1**	<1%	1%	<1%	<1%
NEIS††	3%	---	---	---
<i>Participating Students</i>	93%	95%	97%	96%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	1%
Exempt	6%	4%	3%	3%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	63%	65%	67%	65%



Grade 6 Reading: Province*				
Year	'03-'04	'04-'05	'05-'06	'06-'07
<i>Number of Students</i>	146 169	143 421	146 711	145 901
Level 4	9%	8%	8%	7%
Level 3	49%	55%	56%	57%
Level 2	26%	25%	24%	24%
Level 1	6%	7%	6%	6%
NE1**	<1%	1%	1%	1%
NEIS††	5%	---	---	---
<i>Participating Students</i>	95%	95%	95%	95%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	1%
Exempt	4%	4%	4%	3%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	58%	63%	64%	64%



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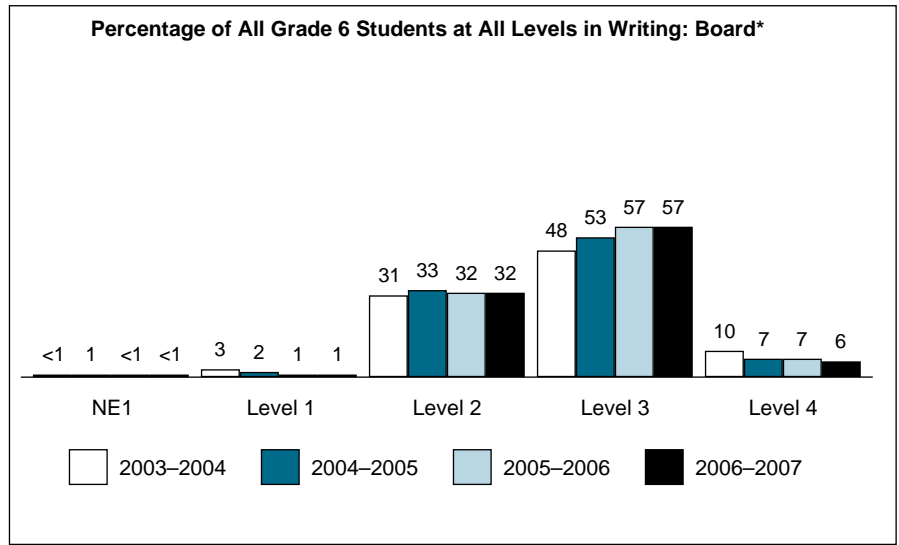
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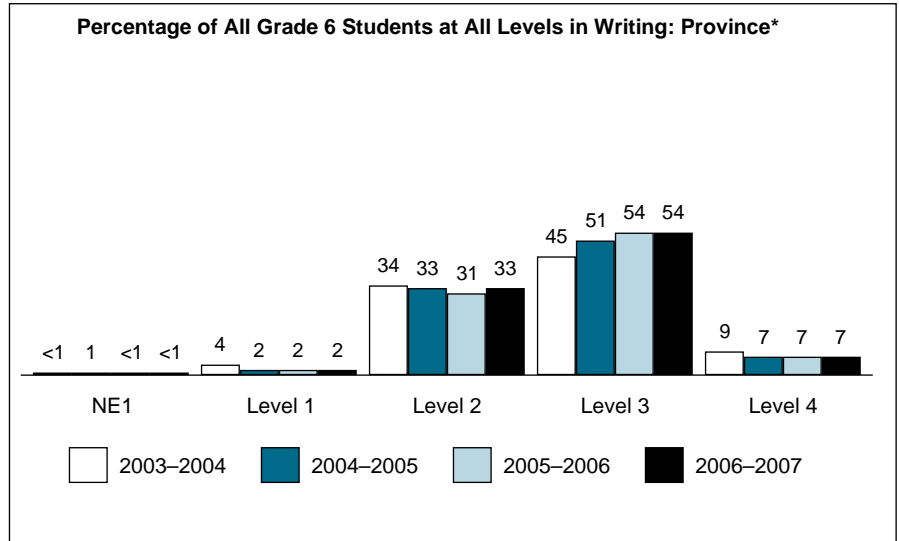
Results over Time, 2003–2004 to 2006–2007♦

**Grade 6: Writing**

Grade 6 Writing: Board*				
Year	'03-'04	'04-'05	'05-'06	'06-'07
<i>Number of Students</i>	1 837	1 893	1 822	1 766
Level 4	10%	7%	7%	6%
Level 3	48%	53%	57%	57%
Level 2	31%	33%	32%	32%
Level 1	3%	2%	1%	1%
NE1**	<1%	1%	<1%	<1%
NEIS††	1%	---	---	---
<i>Participating Students</i>	93%	95%	97%	96%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	1%
Exempt	6%	4%	3%	3%
<i>At or Above Provincial Standard†</i>	57%	60%	64%	63%



Grade 6 Writing: Province*				
Year	'03-'04	'04-'05	'05-'06	'06-'07
<i>Number of Students</i>	146 168	143 421	146 711	145 901
Level 4	9%	7%	7%	7%
Level 3	45%	51%	54%	54%
Level 2	34%	33%	31%	33%
Level 1	4%	2%	2%	2%
NE1**	<1%	1%	<1%	<1%
NEIS††	3%	---	---	---
<i>Participating Students</i>	95%	95%	95%	95%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	1%
Exempt	4%	4%	4%	3%
<i>At or Above Provincial Standard†</i>	54%	59%	61%	61%



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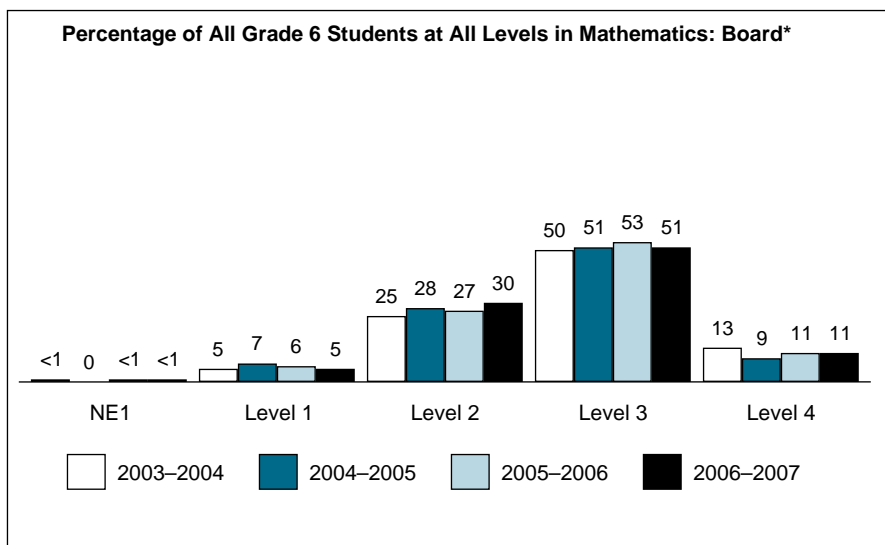
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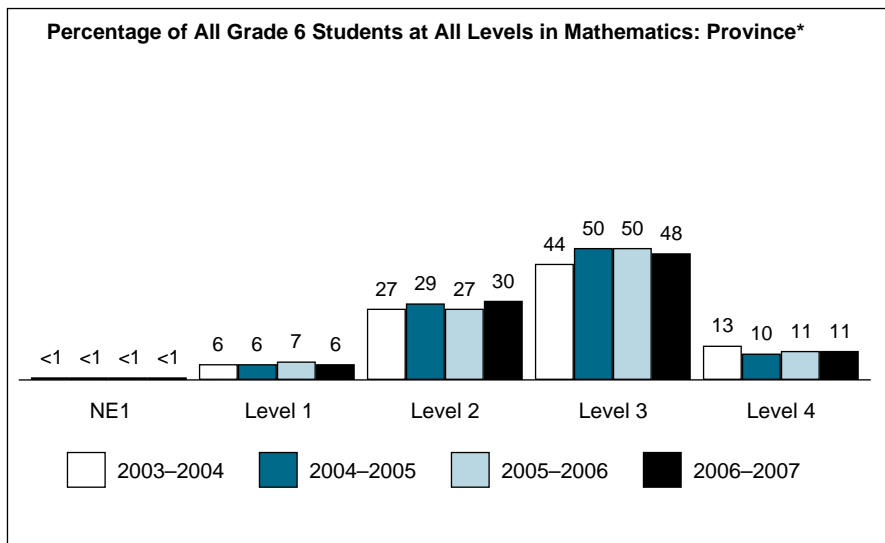
Results over Time, 2003–2004 to 2006–2007\*

**Grade 6: Mathematics**

Grade 6 Mathematics: Board*				
Year	'03-'04	'04-'05	'05-'06	'06-'07
<i>Number of Students</i>	1 837	1 893	1 822	1 766
Level 4	13%	9%	11%	11%
Level 3	50%	51%	53%	51%
Level 2	25%	28%	27%	30%
Level 1	5%	7%	6%	5%
NE1**	<1%	0%	<1%	<1%
NEIS††	1%	---	---	---
<i>Participating Students</i>	93%	95%	97%	96%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	1%
Exempt	6%	4%	2%	3%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	62%	60%	64%	61%



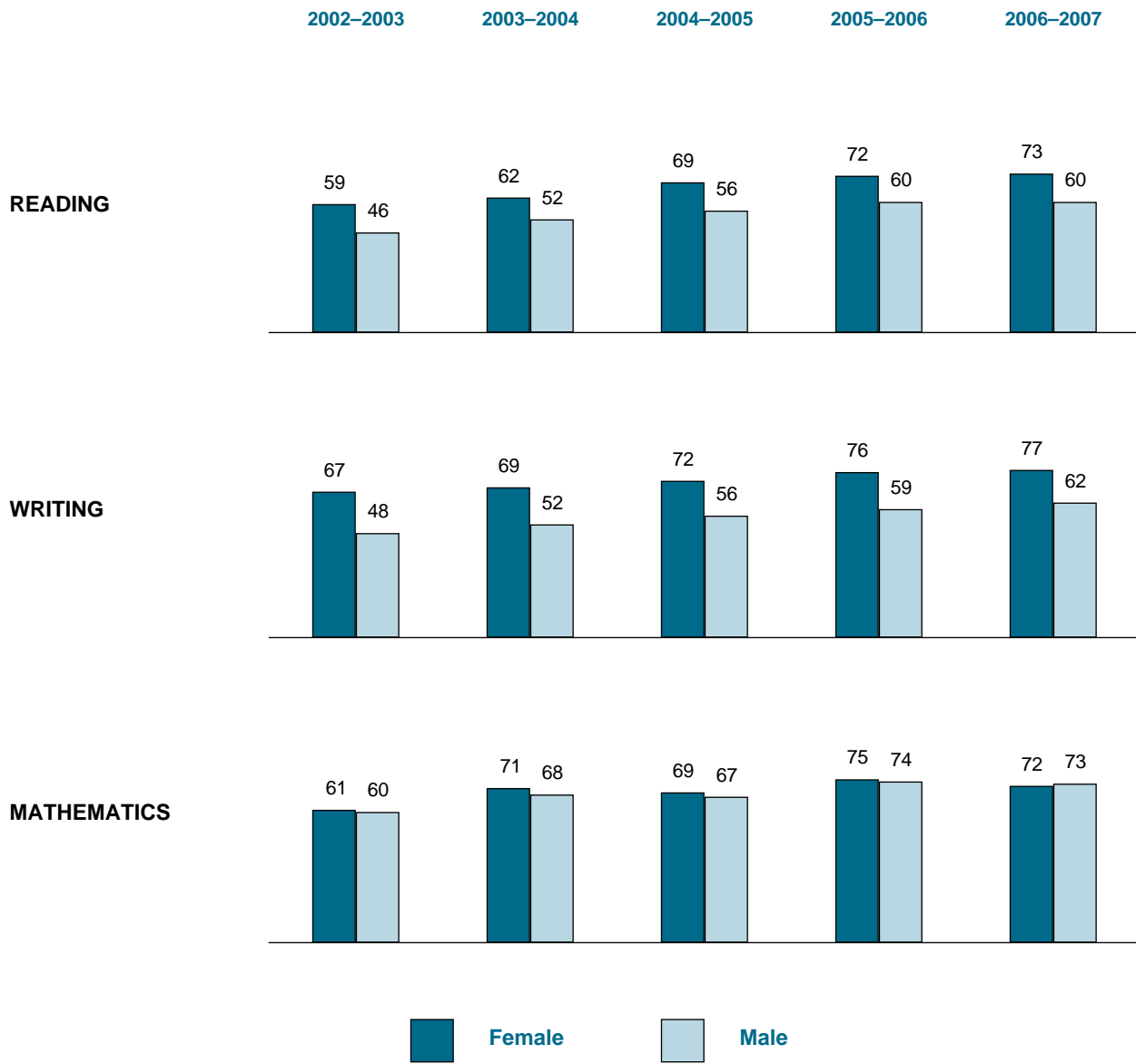
Grade 6 Mathematics: Province*				
Year	'03-'04	'04-'05	'05-'06	'06-'07
<i>Number of Students</i>	146 168	143 421	146 711	145 901
Level 4	13%	10%	11%	11%
Level 3	44%	50%	50%	48%
Level 2	27%	29%	27%	30%
Level 1	6%	6%	7%	6%
NE1**	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%
NEIS††	4%	---	---	---
<i>Participating Students</i>	95%	95%	95%	95%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	1%
Exempt	4%	4%	4%	4%
At or Above Provincial Standard†	57%	60%	61%	59%



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**RESULTS FOR ALL STUDENTS OVER TIME BY GENDER† AT THIS BOARD††**

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

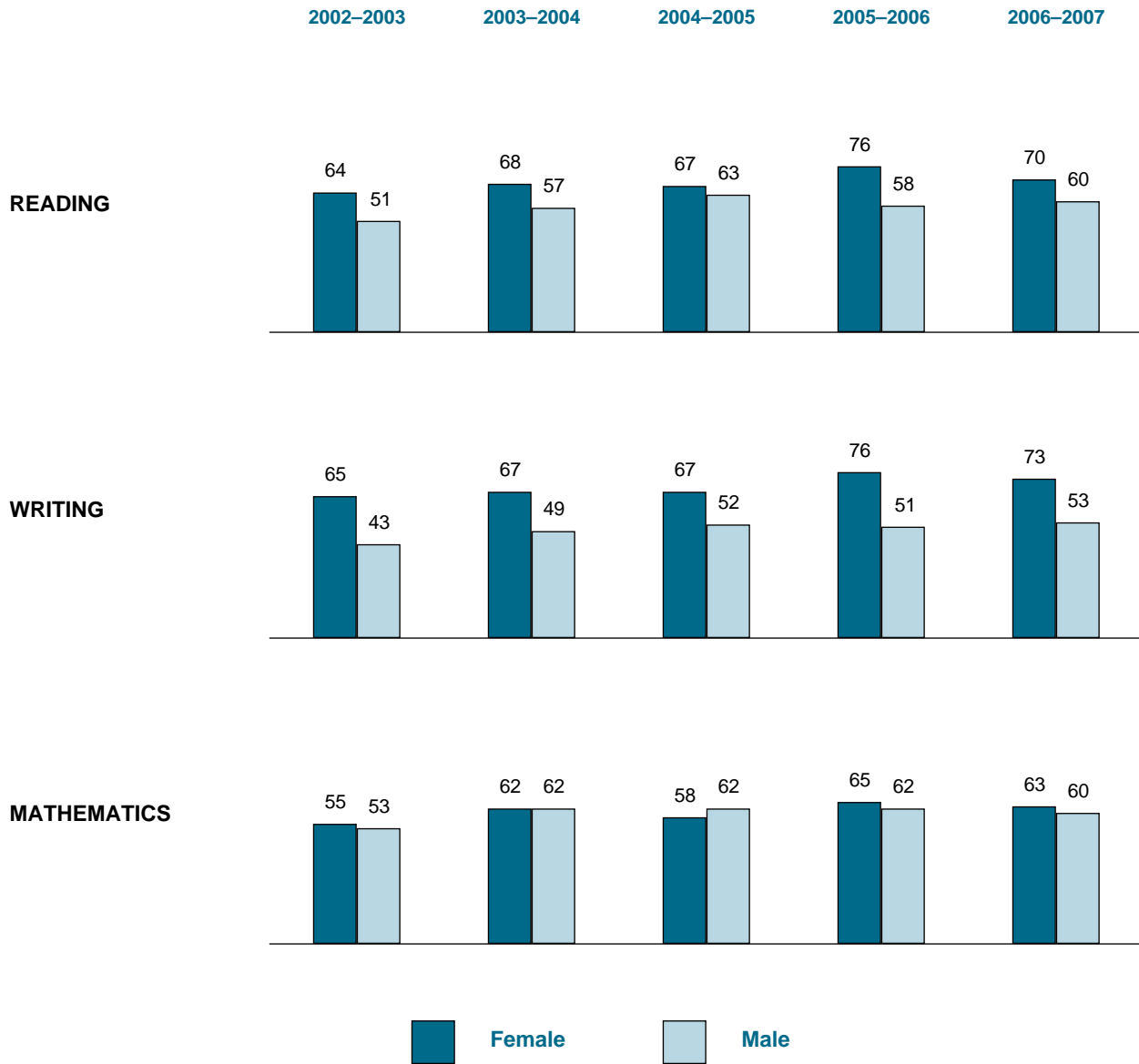


	<b>Total Number of Grade 3 Students†</b>									
	<u>2002-2003</u>		<u>2003-2004</u>		<u>2004-2005</u>		<u>2005-2006</u>		<u>2006-2007</u>	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
Board	863	932	887	869	880	843	784	813	798	855

† Includes only students for whom gender data were available.  
 †† Refer to the provincial report for results for the province.

**RESULTS FOR ALL STUDENTS OVER TIME BY GENDER† AT THIS BOARD††**

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



**Total Number of Grade 6 Students†**

	2002-2003		2003-2004		2004-2005		2005-2006		2006-2007	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
Board	945	928	875	957	924	959	889	933	880	886

† Includes only students for whom gender data were available.  
 †† Refer to the provincial report for results for the province.

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STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR THIS BOARD: GRADE 3 (# = 1 593)		
Questionnaire Item	Percentage of Students*	Number of Students Who Answered "Yes"
I am a good reader.		1 111
I like to read.		871
I read by myself at home.		906
I read with someone older than me at home.		239
I use a computer for reading activities at school.		345
I am a good writer.		846
I like to write.		839
I write by myself at home.		824
Someone older than me helps me with my writing at home.		277
I use a computer for writing activities at school.		489
I am good at mathematics.		841
I like mathematics.		817
I use mathematics to solve problems outside school.		498
Someone older than me helps me with my mathematics at home.		462
I use a computer to learn mathematics at school.		623
I use a calculator to learn mathematics at school.		214
At home, there is a computer for me to use for school work.		823

\* Percentages may not add to 100, due to a lack of or ambiguous responses. Where there is no number in a box, the percentage of responses is smaller than 4.

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STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR THIS BOARD: GRADE 3 (# = 1 593)		
Questionnaire Item	Percentage of Students*	Number of Students
<b>Language(s) students speak at home:</b>		
only or mostly English	87	1 392
another language (or languages) as often as English	7	119
only or mostly another language (or other languages)	5	77
<b>Language(s) that people speak to students at home:</b>		
only or mostly English	85	1 349
another language (or languages) as often as English	7	115
only or mostly another language (or other languages)	7	118

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GRADE 3: STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR BOARD AND PROVINCE (all students, female, male)	Board			Province		
	All Students (# = 1 593)	Female* (# = 774)	Male* (# = 819)	All Students (# = 124 539)	Female* (# = 61 379)	Male* (# = 63 145)
<b>Percentage of Students Who Answered “Yes” to the Statements Below</b>						
<b>Reading</b>						
I am a good reader.	70%	72%	67%	68%	70%	66%
I like to read.	55%	66%	44%	58%	67%	50%
I read by myself at home.	57%	58%	56%	59%	61%	57%
I read with someone older than me at home.	15%	15%	15%	16%	15%	17%
I use a computer for reading activities at school.	22%	21%	23%	24%	24%	24%
<b>Writing</b>						
I am a good writer.	53%	60%	47%	51%	58%	45%
I like to write.	53%	61%	44%	53%	61%	45%
I write by myself at home.	52%	55%	48%	56%	61%	52%
Someone older than me helps me with my writing at home.	17%	16%	19%	17%	15%	18%
I use a computer for writing activities at school.	31%	31%	30%	29%	28%	29%
<b>Mathematics</b>						
I am good at mathematics.	53%	45%	60%	53%	46%	61%
I like mathematics.	51%	46%	57%	57%	54%	60%
I use mathematics to solve problems outside school.	31%	31%	32%	34%	34%	34%
Someone older than me helps me with my mathematics at home.	29%	31%	27%	27%	30%	25%
I use a computer to learn mathematics at school.	39%	39%	39%	27%	27%	27%
I use a calculator to learn mathematics at school.	13%	12%	15%	13%	12%	14%
<b>Computer at home</b>						
There is a computer for me to use for school work.	52%	52%	52%	50%	51%	48%

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

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GRADE 3: STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR BOARD AND PROVINCE (all students, female, male)	Board			Province		
	All Students (# = 1 593)	Female* (# = 774)	Male* (# = 819)	All Students (# = 124 539)	Female* (# = 61 379)	Male* (# = 63 145)
<b>Language(s) students speak at home:**</b>						
only or mostly English	87%	88%	87%	79%	79%	80%
another language (or languages) as often as English	7%	7%	7%	12%	12%	11%
only or mostly another language (or other languages)	5%	5%	5%	8%	9%	8%
<b>Language(s) that people speak to students at home:**</b>						
only or mostly English	85%	86%	84%	76%	75%	76%
another language (or languages) as often as English	7%	7%	7%	11%	11%	11%
only or mostly another language (or other languages)	7%	7%	8%	13%	13%	12%

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

\*\* Percentages may not add to 100, due to a lack of or ambiguous responses.

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STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR THIS BOARD: GRADE 6 (# = 1 705)		
Questionnaire Item	Percentage of Students*	Number of Students Who Answered "Yes"
I am a good reader.		1 050
I like to read.		718
I read by myself at home.		1 004
I read with someone older than me at home.		62
I use a computer for reading activities at school.		256
I am a good writer.		735
I like to write.		707
I write by myself at home.		784
Someone older than me helps me with my writing at home.		130
I use a computer for writing activities at school.		647
I am good at mathematics.		837
I like mathematics.		786
I use mathematics to solve problems outside school.		569
Someone older than me helps me with my mathematics at home.		350
I use a computer to learn mathematics at school.		198
I use a calculator to learn mathematics at school.		460
At home, there is a computer for me to use for school work.		1 392

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STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR THIS BOARD: GRADE 6 (# = 1 705)		
Questionnaire Item	Percentage of Students*	Number of Students
<b>Language(s) students speak at home:</b>		
only or mostly English	87	1 483
another language (or languages) as often as English	8	129
only or mostly another language (or other languages)	5	93
<b>Language(s) that people speak to students at home:</b>		
only or mostly English	83	1 422
another language (or languages) as often as English	7	124
only or mostly another language (or other languages)	9	157

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GRADE 6: STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR BOARD AND PROVINCE (all students, female, male)	Board			Province		
	All Students (# = 1 705)	Female* (# = 855)	Male* (# = 850)	All Students (# = 138 935)	Female* (# = 68 318)	Male* (# = 70 615)
<b>Percentage of Students Who Answered “Yes” to the Statements Below</b>						
<b>Reading</b>						
I am a good reader.	62%	66%	57%	62%	65%	59%
I like to read.	42%	48%	36%	47%	55%	38%
I read by myself at home.	59%	63%	54%	66%	73%	60%
I read with someone older than me at home.	4%	4%	3%	4%	4%	4%
I use a computer for reading activities at school.	15%	14%	16%	15%	15%	15%
<b>Writing</b>						
I am a good writer.	43%	48%	38%	44%	50%	38%
I like to write.	41%	48%	35%	42%	52%	33%
I write by myself at home.	46%	51%	41%	52%	59%	45%
Someone older than me helps me with my writing at home.	8%	6%	9%	9%	8%	10%
I use a computer for writing activities at school.	38%	37%	39%	35%	34%	35%
<b>Mathematics</b>						
I am good at mathematics.	49%	38%	60%	49%	40%	58%
I like mathematics.	46%	39%	53%	45%	37%	52%
I use mathematics to solve problems outside school.	33%	29%	38%	37%	34%	40%
Someone older than me helps me with my mathematics at home.	21%	24%	17%	23%	27%	20%
I use a computer to learn mathematics at school.	12%	11%	12%	15%	15%	14%
I use a calculator to learn mathematics at school.	27%	29%	25%	24%	25%	23%
<b>Computer at home</b>						
There is a computer for me to use for school work.	82%	83%	80%	80%	82%	78%

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

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GRADE 6: STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR BOARD AND PROVINCE (all students, female, male)	Board			Province		
	All Students (# = 1 705)	Female* (# = 855)	Male* (# = 850)	All Students (# = 138 935)	Female* (# = 68 318)	Male* (# = 70 615)
<b>Language(s) students speak at home:**</b>						
only or mostly English	87%	86%	88%	82%	82%	82%
another language (or languages) as often as English	8%	9%	6%	12%	12%	11%
only or mostly another language (or other languages)	5%	6%	5%	6%	6%	7%
<b>Language(s) that people speak to students at home:**</b>						
only or mostly English	83%	82%	85%	77%	76%	77%
another language (or languages) as often as English	7%	7%	7%	12%	12%	11%
only or mostly another language (or other languages)	9%	10%	8%	12%	11%	12%

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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." The student has not demonstrated enough evidence of knowledge and understanding to be assigned Level 1.
<b>NEIS</b>	"Not Enough Information to Score." This category was eliminated in 2004–2005. Students are now assigned a level based on the work they submitted, with unanswered questions treated as incorrect.
<b>No Data</b>	EQAO did not receive completed assessment booklets for this student.
<b>Exempt</b>	The student was formally exempted in one or more components of the assessment.
<b>ESL/ELD</b>	English as a second language (ESL)/English literacy development (ELD) learners are identified by the school.
<b>Students with Special Needs</b>	These are students who have been formally identified by an Identification, Placement and Review Committee (IPRC), as well as students who have an Individual Education Plan (IEP). Students identified as gifted are not included.
<b>N/R</b>	"Not reported" indicates that the number of students participating (fewer than 15 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.