

Nevada Students and Families 2015

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K-12₁ ACGR₂ Literacy at 4th₃ Literacy at 4th₄ Math at 8th₅ Math at 8th₆ AP[®] Participation₇ AP[®] Performance₈ AP[®] Gain₉

Nevada K - 1 2 Students

1 **K-12 Achievement Rank**: 36 of 51, the 50 states plus Washington, D.C. *Quality Counts* (Massachusetts highest, Mississippi lowest).

2 **Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate (ACGR) Rank**: 45 of 48*. National Center for Education Statistics (Iowa highest, District of Columbia lowest).

3 **Percent of 4th grade students reading proficient Rank**: 46 of 51. KIDSCOUNT (Massachusetts highest, New Mexico lowest).

4 **Average scale score, 4th grade reading Rank**: 43 of 51. National Assessment of Education Progress (Massachusetts highest, D.C. lowest).

5 **Percent of 8th grade students math proficient Rank**: 43 of 51. KIDSCOUNT (Massachusetts highest, District of Columbia lowest).

6 **Average scale score, 8th grade math Rank**: 41 of 51. National Assessment of Education Progress (Massachusetts highest, D.C. lowest).

7 **AP[®] test takers per 1000 juniors and seniors Rank**: 27 of 51. College Board National Report (Maryland highest, North Dakota lowest).

8 **Advanced Placement[®] pass rate Rank**: 40 of 51. College Board National Report (New Hampshire highest, Arkansas lowest).

9 **Year-Over-Year Advanced Placement[®] pass rate gain Rank**: 5 of 51. College Board National Report (Hawaii highest, Louisiana lowest).

*As of 2013 (the most current ACGR reported by the National Center for Education Statistics), Idaho, Kentucky and Oklahoma have not reported an ACGR.

Nevada Students' Literacy

Nevada's 4th grade National Assessment of Education Progress reading scale score is 214.

- 8 points below the national average
- 18 points below Massachusetts, the highest state
- Between 1 and 8 points higher than Arizona, California, Louisiana, Alaska, Mississippi, New Mexico, and the District of Columbia.

Nevada 4th grade literacy is growing as quickly as or more quickly than all but 7 states.

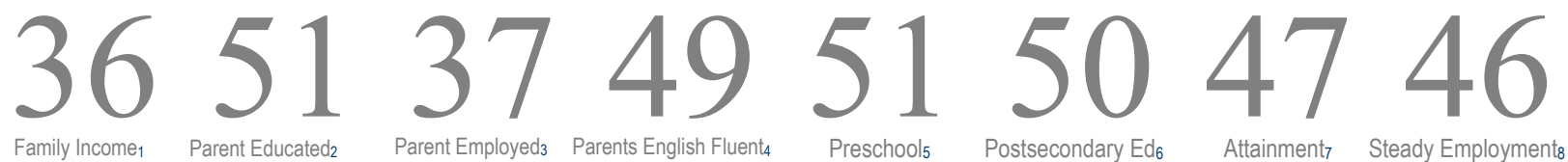
Reading at home seems to matter: On the 4th grade NAEP reading test, a NV student with many books at home scores better than a Massachusetts student with no books at home.

Nevada Students' Graduation

Nevada's Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate for the Class of 2014 is 70%.

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Nevada Students' Families

- 1 Family Income** Rank: 36 of 51, the 50 states plus Washington, D.C. *Quality Counts* (New Hampshire highest, Mississippi lowest).
- 2 Percent of children with a post-secondary-educated parent** Rank: 51 of 51. *Quality Counts* (Minnesota highest, Nevada lowest).
- 3 Percent of children with a steadily employed parent** Rank: 37 of 51. *Quality Counts* (North Dakota highest, District of Columbia lowest).
- 4 Percent of children with parents who are English fluent** Rank: 49 of 51. *Quality Counts* (Montana highest, California lowest).
- 5 Percent of three- and four-year-olds enrolled in preschool** Rank: 51 of 51. *Quality Counts* (District of Columbia highest, Nevada lowest).
- 6 Post-secondary education** participation among 18-24-year-olds, Rank: 50 of 51. *Quality Counts* (District of Columbia highest, Alaska lowest).
- 7 Percent of adults with a post-secondary degree** Rank: 47 of 51. *Quality Counts* (District of Columbia highest, West Virginia lowest).
- 8 Percent of adults in labor force working steadily** full-time and year-round Rank: 46 of 51. *Quality Counts* (North Dakota highest, Alaska lowest).

Nevada Families' Literacy and Education

- 25% of children in Nevada do not have English-fluent parents.
- 65% of children in Nevada do not have a parent with a post-secondary degree.
- 60% of young adults in Nevada have not successfully engaged in post-secondary education.
- 69% of adults in Nevada do not have a two- or four-year post-secondary degree.
- 69% of young children in Nevada do not participate in preschool.

In Massachusetts, 84% of children have parents who are English-fluent; 61% of children have parents who have a degree; 70% of young adults are in college or already have a degree; 51% of adults have a degree, and 60% of youngsters are in preschool.

Nevada Families' Stability and Income

- 29% of children in Nevada do not have any parent steadily employed.
 - 49% of children in Nevada live in families with low incomes (below 2x the poverty level).
- In Massachusetts, 70% of children live in homes with incomes 2x poverty level or higher and 74% have an employed parent.*