



School Report



Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics, 2008–2009

School: Don Bosco Catholic SS (703184)

Board: Toronto Catholic District School Board (67059)

I am pleased to provide you with this report on the Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics for 2008–2009. Included are student results for the current year, those from previous years and, to put these results in context, information about the local student populations.

Throughout the province and since the inception of the agency, EQAO results have helped inform professional practice and have served as a catalyst for improving student achievement. This report has been designed to assist you in your conversations about improved student learning.

We believe that every student deserves the best outcome from public education. That’s why, in close collaboration with Ontario educators, EQAO continues to develop assessments that gauge the achievement of all Ontario students against the learning expectations outlined in *The Ontario Curriculum*. These assessments ensure that every student in Ontario’s publicly funded school system is assessed using the same yard stick at key stages in his or her schooling.

However, it should be remembered that EQAO’s assessment results are just one piece of information about student achievement. These results should be considered in conjunction with school-based information, such as that from classroom assessments.

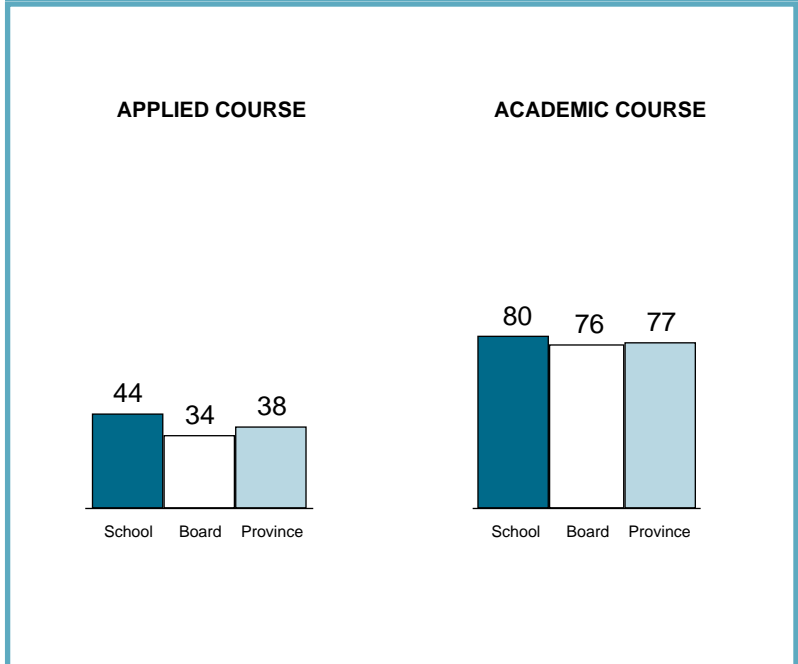
I trust this report will help parents, educators and all who support a strong public education system work together so that all students can reach their full potential.

Sincerely,

Marguerite Jackson
 Chief Executive Officer
 Education Quality and Accountability Office

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PERCENTAGE OF ALL STUDENTS AT OR ABOVE THE PROVINCIAL STANDARD (LEVELS 3 AND 4), 2008–2009



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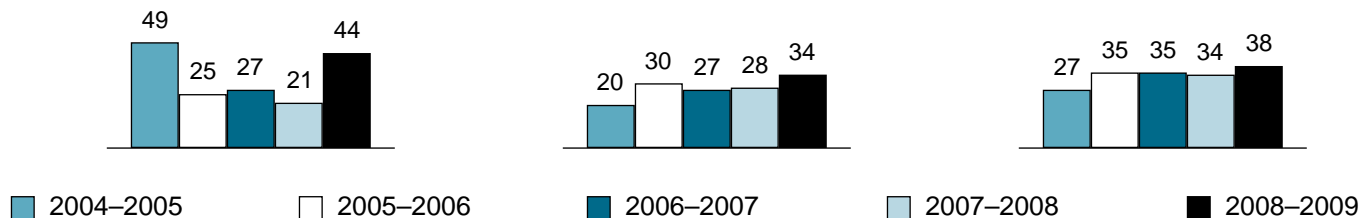
PERCENTAGE OF ALL STUDENTS AT OR ABOVE THE PROVINCIAL STANDARD (LEVELS 3 AND 4) OVER TIME

APPLIED MATHEMATICS*

School

Board

Province



	Total Number of Students				
	<u>2004–2005</u>	<u>2005–2006</u>	<u>2006–2007</u>	<u>2007–2008</u>	<u>2008–2009</u>
School	101	124	128	105	93
Board	2 472	2 214	2 249	2 351	2 533
Province	51 155	50 687	49 056	47 817	48 482

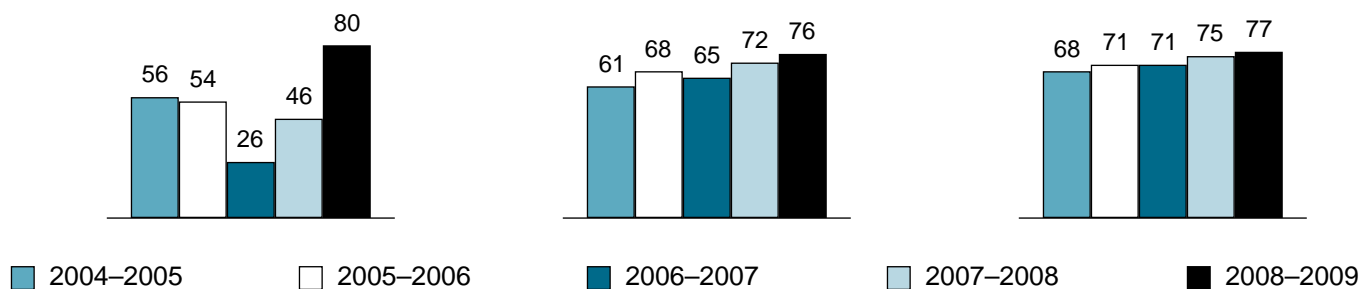
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ACADEMIC MATHEMATICS

School

Board

Province



	Total Number of Students				
	<u>2004–2005</u>	<u>2005–2006</u>	<u>2006–2007</u>	<u>2007–2008</u>	<u>2008–2009</u>
School	154	137	121	83	60
Board	4 692	4 625	4 591	4 633	4 652
Province	104 100	103 412	103 011	100 823	100 992

TIPS

The applied and academic mathematics courses are different and should be considered separately.

Note: Students in locally developed courses do not participate in these assessments.



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.



This assessment captures the performance of students at one point in time each year. Consider the results along with other information about students' achievement in 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 30 students, a difference of 10% represents only three students.



Trends may be difficult to identify or to interpret. This is especially true when groups are small 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 for either the applied or academic mathematics program to the end of Grade 9. Students complete two booklets that allow them to show what they know in mathematics. The assessment is based on *The Ontario Curriculum: Mathematics, Grades 9 and 10*.

This report includes

- ◆ results for this year;
- ◆ a comparison of results over the past four years to aid in monitoring improvement and
- ◆ information about the characteristics of the students who participated.

Specifically, you will find

- ◆ summary graphs showing the percentage of students achieving the provincial standard in either applied or academic mathematics;
- ◆ detailed tables and graphs showing results for all levels of achievement, participation information and results for gender
- ◆ 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 this school, the board and the province; the board and the province. Consider the challenges that any differences might present.
- ◆ Examine the results for applied and academic mathematics.
 - Are these results consistent with what you would expect?
 - How do the school results compare to the board and province; the board results compare to the province?
 - How do these results compare over time? Note that significant revisions were made to applied courses in 2005 as reflected in *The Ontario Curriculum, Grades 9 and 10: Mathematics* (revised 2005).
 - What influence might students' attitudes have on student performance (refer to the questionnaire results)?
- ◆ Speak to the school or board staff about the goals for school improvement related to 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 9 students in applied and academic mathematics take part in this assessment across Ontario. Individual results are reported to students and to parents and guardians. School, board and provincial results are released publicly.

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Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics, 2008–2009, Applied Course

Contextual Information

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

	School		Board		Province	
Enrolment						
Number of students in applied mathematics course	93		2 533		48 482	
Number of classes with students in applied mathematics course	7		147		2 950	
Number of schools with applied mathematics classes	Not applicable		33		715	
Number Percent Number Percent Number Percent						
Participation in the Assessment						
Students who participated in the assessment	88	95%	2 418	95%	45 616	94%
Participating students who received one or more accommodations*	27	31%	703	29%	9 374	21%
Participating students who received one or more special provisions*	4	5%	184	8%	1 144	3%
Students who did not complete any part of the assessment (no data)*	5	5%	115	5%	2 866	6%
Gender[†] Based on number of students enrolled						
Female	37	40%	1 183	47%	21 752	45%
Male	56	60%	1 350	53%	26 730	55%
Gender not specified	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Student Status[†] Based on number of students enrolled						
English language learners*	4	4%	386	15%	2 532	5%
Students with special needs (excluding gifted)*	28	30%	800	32%	14 483	30%
Semester/Full Year Based on number of students enrolled						
First-semester course	44	47%	880	35%	21 964	45%
Second-semester course	49	53%	862	34%	21 765	45%
Full-year course	0	0%	791	31%	4 753	10%
Language and School Background^{††} Based on Student Questionnaire data						
	Number of Respondents:		80		2 292	43 413
Speak only or mostly a language other than English at home	12	15%	374	16%	2 757	6%
Speak another language as often as English at home	22	28%	575	25%	4 980	11%
Attended three or more elementary schools from kindergarten to Grade 8	25	31%	726	32%	17 179	40%

* See the Explanation of Terms.

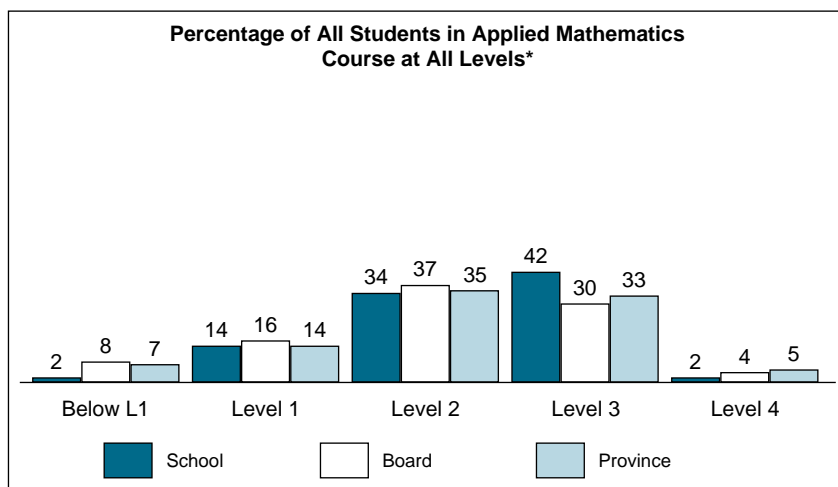
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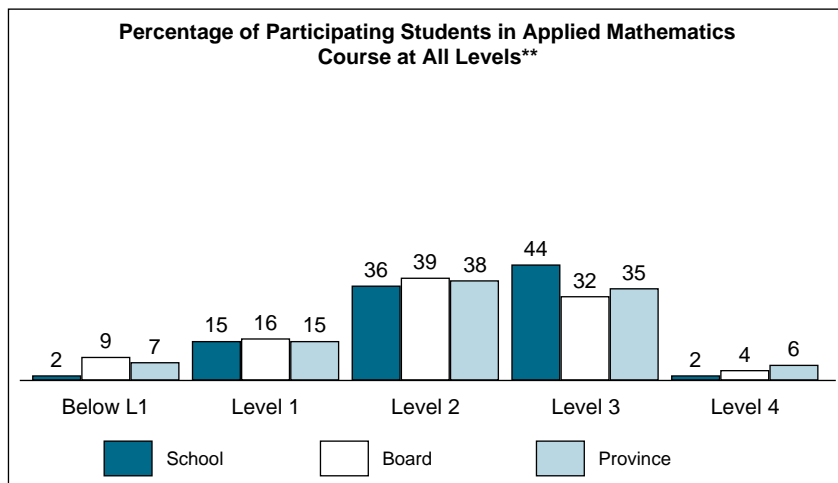
Results for All Students

All Students*				
Number of Students	School 93		Board 2 533	Province 48 482
	#	%	%	%
Level 4	2	2%	4%	5%
Level 3	39	42%	30%	33%
Level 2	32	34%	37%	35%
Level 1	13	14%	16%	14%
Below Level 1	2	2%	8%	7%
Participating Students	88	95%	95%	94%
No Data	5	5%	5%	6%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) †		44%	34%	38%



Results for Participating Students (excludes "no data" category)

Participating Students**				
Number of Students	School 88		Board 2 418	Province 45 616
	#	%	%	%
Level 4	2	2%	4%	6%
Level 3	39	44%	32%	35%
Level 2	32	36%	39%	38%
Level 1	13	15%	16%	15%
Below Level 1	2	2%	9%	7%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) †		47%	36%	40%



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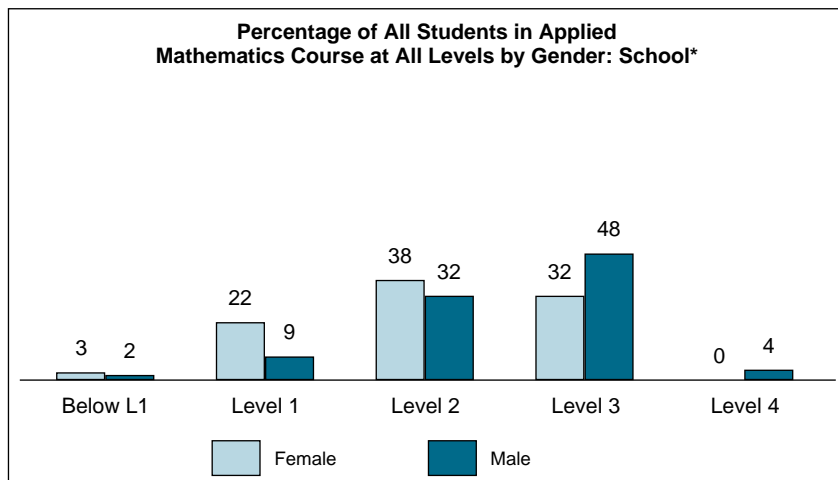
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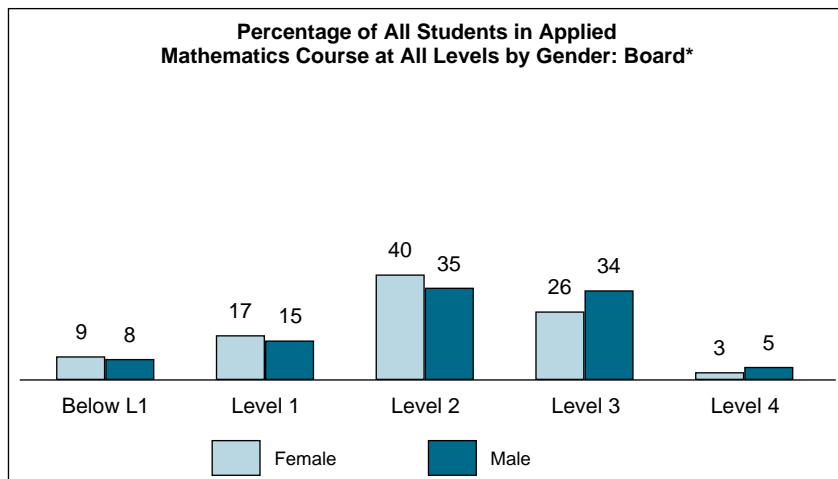
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Results by Gender††

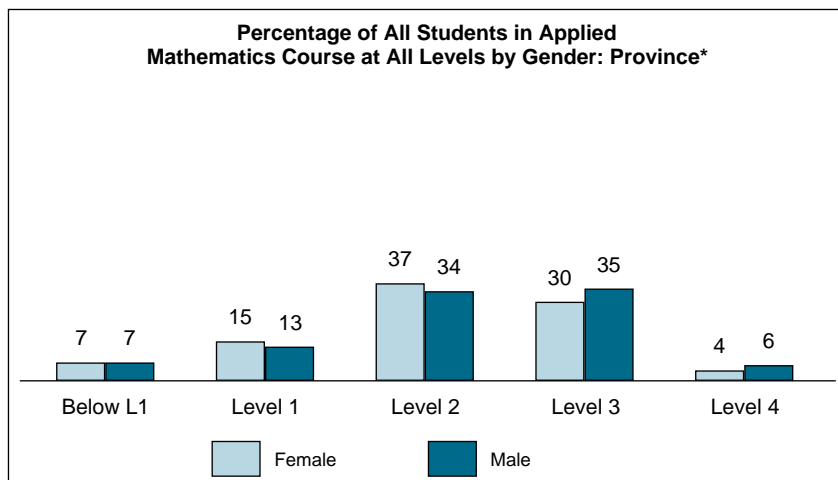
All Students: School by Gender*				
Number of Students	Female 37		Male 56	
	#	%	#	%
Level 4	0	0%	2	4%
Level 3	12	32%	27	48%
Level 2	14	38%	18	32%
Level 1	8	22%	5	9%
Below Level 1	1	3%	1	2%
Participating Students	35	95%	53	95%
No Data	2	5%	3	5%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†	32%		52%	



All Students: Board by Gender*				
Number of Students	Female 1 183		Male 1 350	
	#	%	#	%
Level 4	41	3%	61	5%
Level 3	303	26%	460	34%
Level 2	470	40%	474	35%
Level 1	202	17%	196	15%
Below Level 1	107	9%	104	8%
Participating Students	1 123	95%	1 295	96%
No Data	60	5%	55	4%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†	29%		39%	



All Students: Province by Gender*				
Number of Students	Female 21 752		Male 26 730	
	#	%	#	%
Level 4	897	4%	1 618	6%
Level 3	6 581	30%	9 308	35%
Level 2	8 152	37%	8 965	34%
Level 1	3 337	15%	3 543	13%
Below Level 1	1 438	7%	1 777	7%
Participating Students	20 405	94%	25 211	94%
No Data	1 347	6%	1 519	6%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†	34%		41%	



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 †† Includes only students for whom gender data were available.

Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics, 2008–2009, Academic Course

Contextual Information

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

	School		Board		Province	
Enrolment						
Number of students in academic mathematics course	60		4 652		100 992	
Number of classes with students in academic mathematics course	3		185		4 156	
Number of schools with academic mathematics classes	Not applicable		32		684	
Number Percent Number Percent Number Percent						
Participation in the Assessment						
Students who participated in the assessment	59	98%	4 625	99%	100 060	99%
Participating students who received one or more accommodations*	2	3%	175	4%	3 233	3%
Participating students who received one or more special provisions*	8	14%	211	5%	1 709	2%
Students who did not complete any part of the assessment (no data)*	1	2%	27	1%	932	1%
Gender[†] Based on number of students enrolled						
Female	33	55%	2 530	54%	51 554	51%
Male	27	45%	2 122	46%	49 438	49%
Gender not specified	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Student Status[†] Based on number of students enrolled						
English language learners*	11	18%	409	9%	3 942	4%
Students with special needs (excluding gifted)*	1	2%	162	3%	4 639	5%
Semester/Full Year Based on number of students enrolled						
First-semester course	26	43%	1 507	32%	44 727	44%
Second-semester course	34	57%	1 434	31%	43 199	43%
Full-year course	0	0%	1 711	37%	13 066	13%
Language and School Background^{††}						
<i>Based on Student Questionnaire data</i>						
Number of Respondents:						
	58		4 471		96 485	
Speak only or mostly a language other than English at home	15	26%	569	13%	8 689	9%
Speak another language as often as English at home	19	33%	1 060	24%	14 233	15%
Attended three or more elementary schools from kindergarten to Grade 8	13	22%	1 163	26%	33 813	35%

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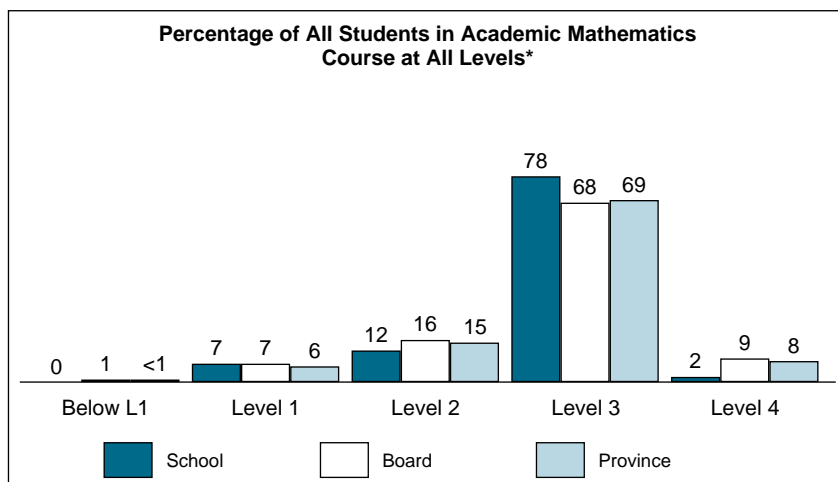
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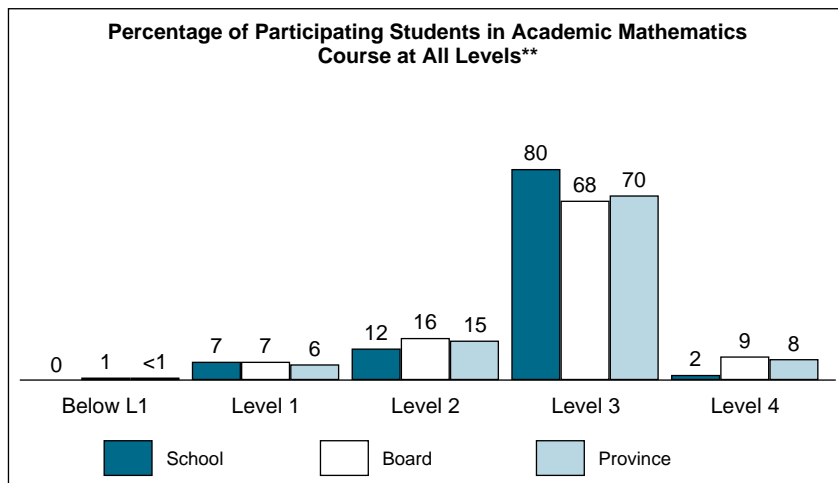
Results for All Students

All Students*				
Number of Students	School 60		Board 4 652	Province 100 992
	#	%	%	%
Level 4	1	2%	9%	8%
Level 3	47	78%	68%	69%
Level 2	7	12%	16%	15%
Level 1	4	7%	7%	6%
Below Level 1	0	0%	1%	<1%
Participating Students	59	98%	99%	99%
No Data	1	2%	1%	1%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) †		80%	76%	77%



Results for Participating Students (excludes "no data" category)

Participating Students**				
Number of Students	School 59		Board 4 625	Province 100 060
	#	%	%	%
Level 4	1	2%	9%	8%
Level 3	47	80%	68%	70%
Level 2	7	12%	16%	15%
Level 1	4	7%	7%	6%
Below Level 1	0	0%	1%	<1%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) †		81%	77%	78%



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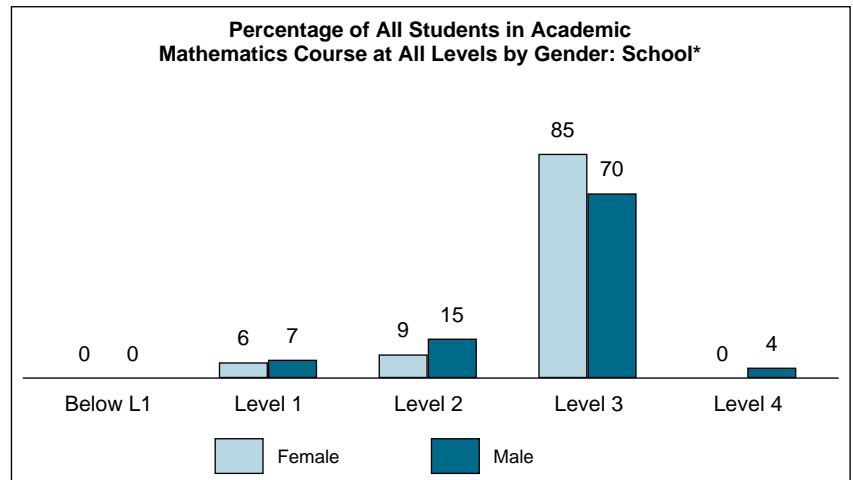
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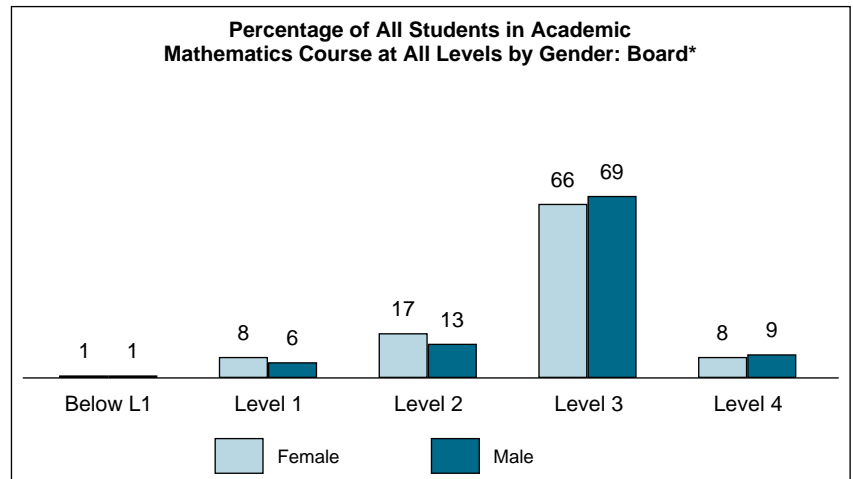
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Results by Gender††

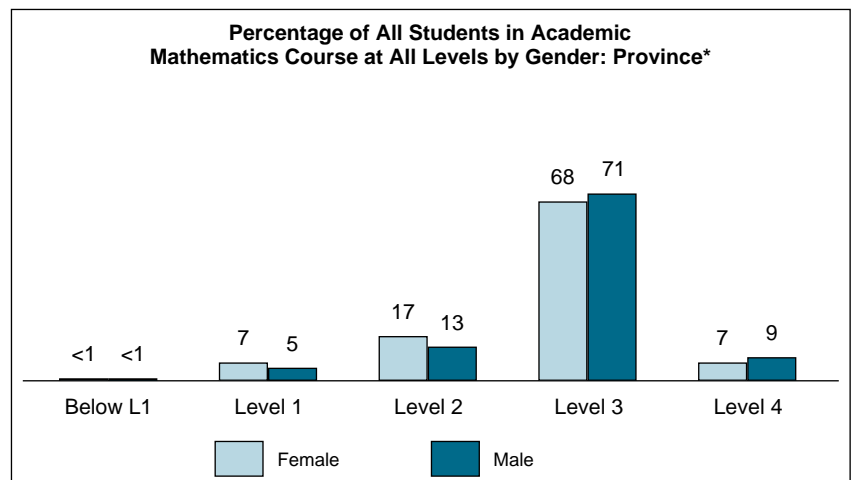
All Students: School by Gender*				
Number of Students	Female 33		Male 27	
	#	%	#	%
Level 4	0	0%	1	4%
Level 3	28	85%	19	70%
Level 2	3	9%	4	15%
Level 1	2	6%	2	7%
Below Level 1	0	0%	0	0%
Participating Students	33	100%	26	96%
No Data	0	0%	1	4%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†	85%		74%	



All Students: Board by Gender*				
Number of Students	Female 2 530		Male 2 122	
	#	%	#	%
Level 4	199	8%	199	9%
Level 3	1 674	66%	1 473	69%
Level 2	440	17%	285	13%
Level 1	191	8%	130	6%
Below Level 1	14	1%	20	1%
Participating Students	2 518	100%	2 107	99%
No Data	12	<1%	15	1%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†	74%		79%	



All Students: Province by Gender*				
Number of Students	Female 51 554		Male 49 438	
	#	%	#	%
Level 4	3 530	7%	4 629	9%
Level 3	35 048	68%	35 013	71%
Level 2	8 652	17%	6 476	13%
Level 1	3 715	7%	2 615	5%
Below Level 1	156	<1%	226	<1%
Participating Students	51 101	99%	48 959	99%
No Data	453	1%	479	1%
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†	75%		80%	



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 †† Includes only students for whom gender data were available.

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Contextual Information over Time: Applied Mathematics Course

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

	2004–2005	2005–2006	2006–2007	2007–2008	2008–2009
Enrolment					
Number of students in applied mathematics course	101	124	128	105	93
Number of classes with students in applied mathematics course	5	8	6	7	7
Participation in the Assessment					
Students who participated in the assessment	99%	90%	94%	89%	95%
Participating students who received one or more accommodations*	48%	7%	28%	32%	31%
Participating students who received one or more special provisions*	2%	0%	5%	2%	5%
Students who did not complete any part of the assessment (no data)*	0%	10%	6%	11%	5%
Students who were exempted*	1%	0%	---**	---	---
Gender[†] Based on number of students enrolled					
Female	47%	50%	41%	31%	40%
Male	47%	50%	59%	69%	60%
Gender not specified	7%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Student Status[†] Based on number of students enrolled					
English language learners*	3%	8%	9%	5%	4%
Students with special needs (excluding gifted)*	41%	29%	33%	35%	30%
Semester/Full Year Based on number of students enrolled					
First-semester course	52%	48%	39%	44%	47%
Second-semester course	48%	52%	61%	56%	53%
Full-year course	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Language and School Background^{††} Based on Student Questionnaire data					
	Number of Respondents: <i>n/a</i> <i>n/a</i> 103 81 80				
Speak only or mostly a language other than English at home			16%	14%	15%
Speak another language as often as English at home	Information not available		23%	20%	28%
Attended three or more elementary schools from kindergarten to Grade 8			28%	26%	31%

* See the Explanation of Terms.

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** Beginning in 2006–2007, exemptions have not been permitted.

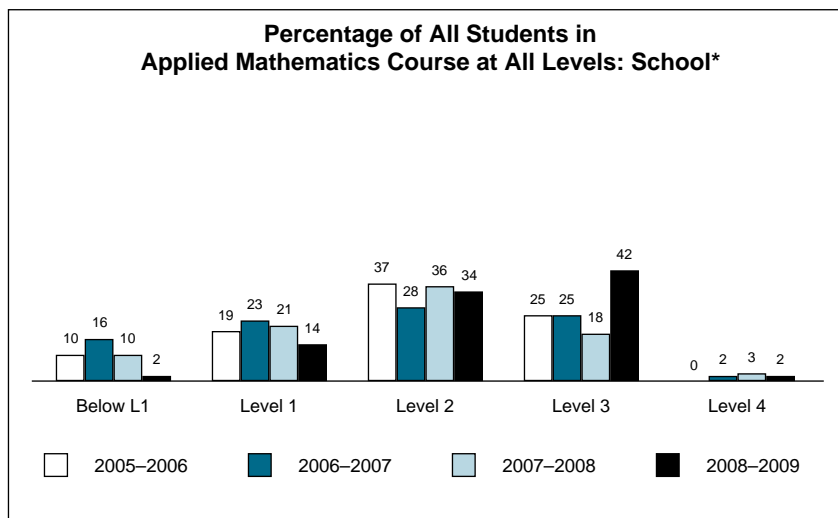
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n/a Information not available.

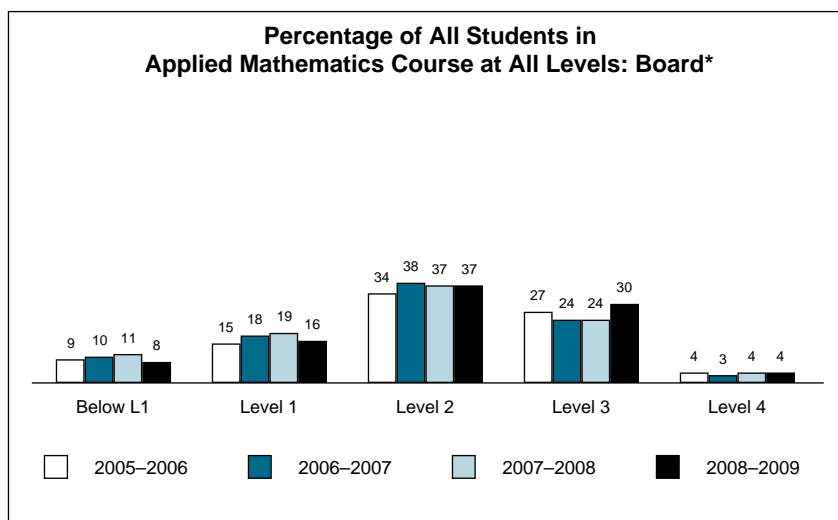
Results over Time, 2005–2006 to 2008–2009

Applied Mathematics Course for All Students**

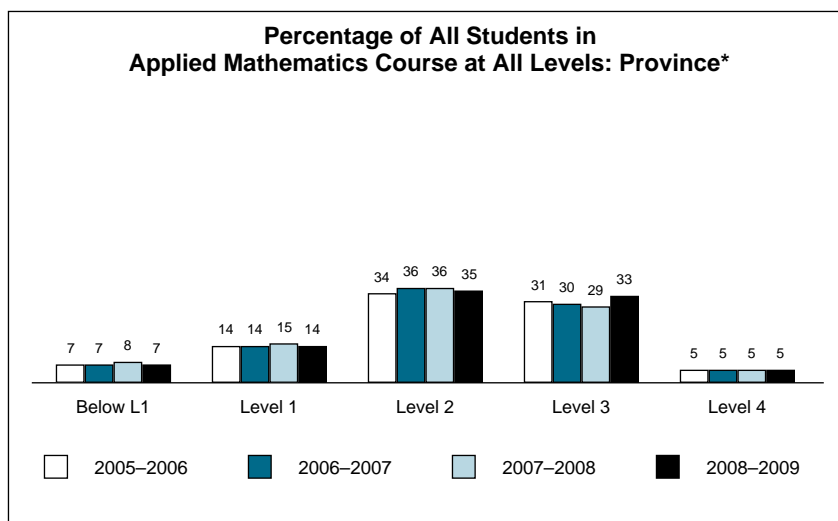
School*				
Year	'05-'06	'06-'07	'07-'08	'08-'09
<i>Number of Students</i>	124	128	105	93
Level 4	0%	2%	3%	2%
Level 3	25%	25%	18%	42%
Level 2	37%	28%	36%	34%
Level 1	19%	23%	21%	14%
Below Level 1	10%	16%	10%	2%
<i>Participating Students</i>	90%	94%	89%	95%
No Data	10%	6%	11%	5%
Exempt†	0%	---	---	---
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†	25%	27%	21%	44%



Board*				
Year	'05-'06	'06-'07	'07-'08	'08-'09
<i>Number of Students</i>	2 214	2 249	2 351	2 533
Level 4	4%	3%	4%	4%
Level 3	27%	24%	24%	30%
Level 2	34%	38%	37%	37%
Level 1	15%	18%	19%	16%
Below Level 1	9%	10%	11%	8%
<i>Participating Students</i>	89%	93%	94%	95%
No Data	8%	7%	6%	5%
Exempt†	4%	---	---	---
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†	30%	27%	28%	34%



Province*				
Year	'05-'06	'06-'07	'07-'08	'08-'09
<i>Number of Students</i>	50 687	49 056	47 817	48 482
Level 4	5%	5%	5%	5%
Level 3	31%	30%	29%	33%
Level 2	34%	36%	36%	35%
Level 1	14%	14%	15%	14%
Below Level 1	7%	7%	8%	7%
<i>Participating Students</i>	90%	91%	93%	94%
No Data	8%	9%	7%	6%
Exempt†	2%	---	---	---
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†	35%	35%	34%	38%



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‡ In 2006–2007, students who were coded “exempt” were placed in the “no data” category. Since this may affect the percentage of students for whom no data are available, the results may not be comparable with those of previous years.

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Contextual Information over Time: Academic Mathematics Course

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	2004–2005	2005–2006	2006–2007	2007–2008	2008–2009
Enrolment					
Number of students in academic mathematics course	154	137	121	83	60
Number of classes with students in academic mathematics course	6	5	4	4	3
Participation in the Assessment					
Students who participated in the assessment	99%	98%	98%	94%	98%
Participating students who received one or more accommodations*	1%	1%	6%	5%	3%
Participating students who received one or more special provisions*	1%	0%	3%	4%	14%
Students who did not complete any part of the assessment (no data)*	1%	2%	2%	6%	2%
Students who were exempted*	0%	0%	---**	---	---
Gender† Based on number of students enrolled					
Female	51%	52%	55%	46%	55%
Male	47%	48%	45%	54%	45%
Gender not specified	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Student Status† Based on number of students enrolled					
English language learners*	2%	6%	3%	7%	18%
Students with special needs (excluding gifted)*	1%	6%	7%	5%	2%
Semester/Full Year Based on number of students enrolled					
First-semester course	49%	59%	50%	51%	43%
Second-semester course	51%	41%	50%	49%	57%
Full-year course	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Language and School Background†† Based on Student Questionnaire data					
	Number of Respondents:				
	n/a	n/a	113	76	58
Speak only or mostly a language other than English at home	Information not available		16%	21%	26%
Speak another language as often as English at home	Information not available		22%	22%	33%
Attended three or more elementary schools from kindergarten to Grade 8	Information not available		22%	29%	22%

* See the Explanation of Terms.

† Contextual data pertaining to "gender" and "student status" are provided by schools and/or boards through the Student Data Collection process. Some data may be missing because they were not provided by the school or the board.

** Beginning in 2006–2007, exemptions have not been permitted.

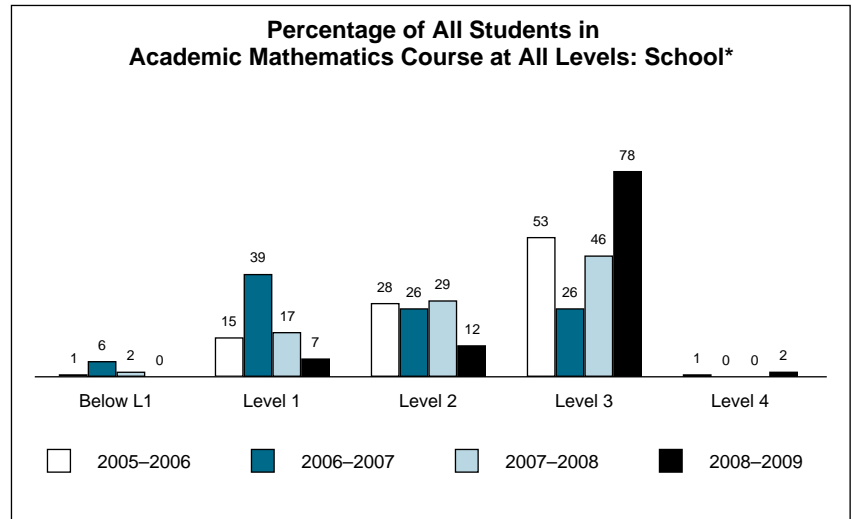
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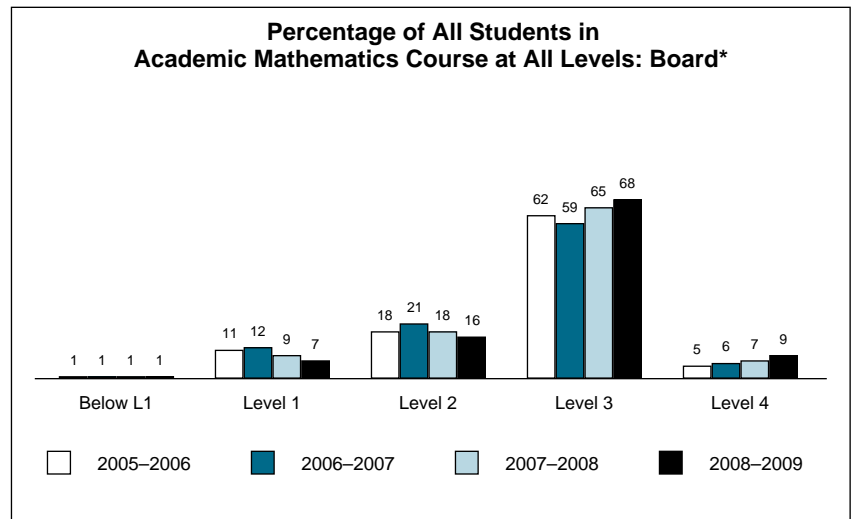
Results over Time, 2005–2006 to 2008–2009

Academic Mathematics Course for All Students

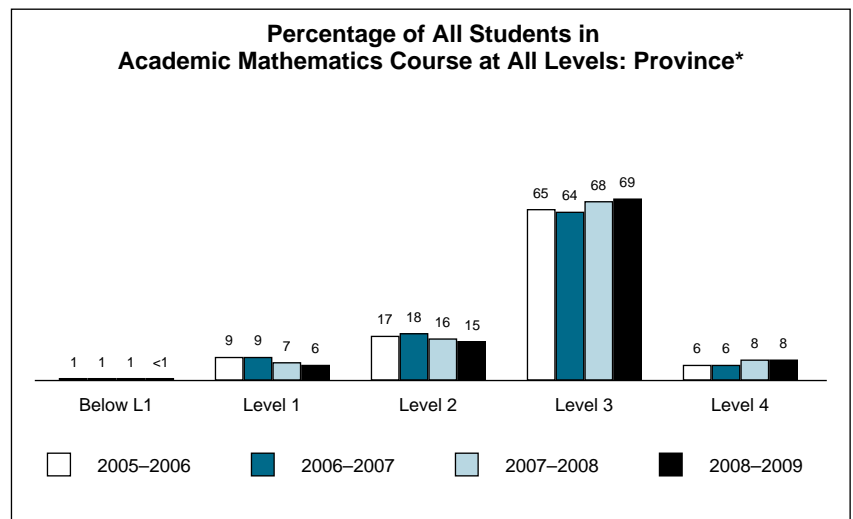
School*				
Year	'05-'06	'06-'07	'07-'08	'08-'09
<i>Number of Students</i>	137	121	83	60
Level 4	1%	0%	0%	2%
Level 3	53%	26%	46%	78%
Level 2	28%	26%	29%	12%
Level 1	15%	39%	17%	7%
Below Level 1	1%	6%	2%	0%
<i>Participating Students</i>	98%	98%	94%	98%
No Data	2%	2%	6%	2%
Exempt†	0%	---	---	---
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†	54%	26%	46%	80%



Board*				
Year	'05-'06	'06-'07	'07-'08	'08-'09
<i>Number of Students</i>	4 625	4 591	4 633	4 652
Level 4	5%	6%	7%	9%
Level 3	62%	59%	65%	68%
Level 2	18%	21%	18%	16%
Level 1	11%	12%	9%	7%
Below Level 1	1%	1%	1%	1%
<i>Participating Students</i>	98%	99%	99%	99%
No Data	1%	1%	1%	1%
Exempt†	<1%	---	---	---
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†	68%	65%	72%	76%



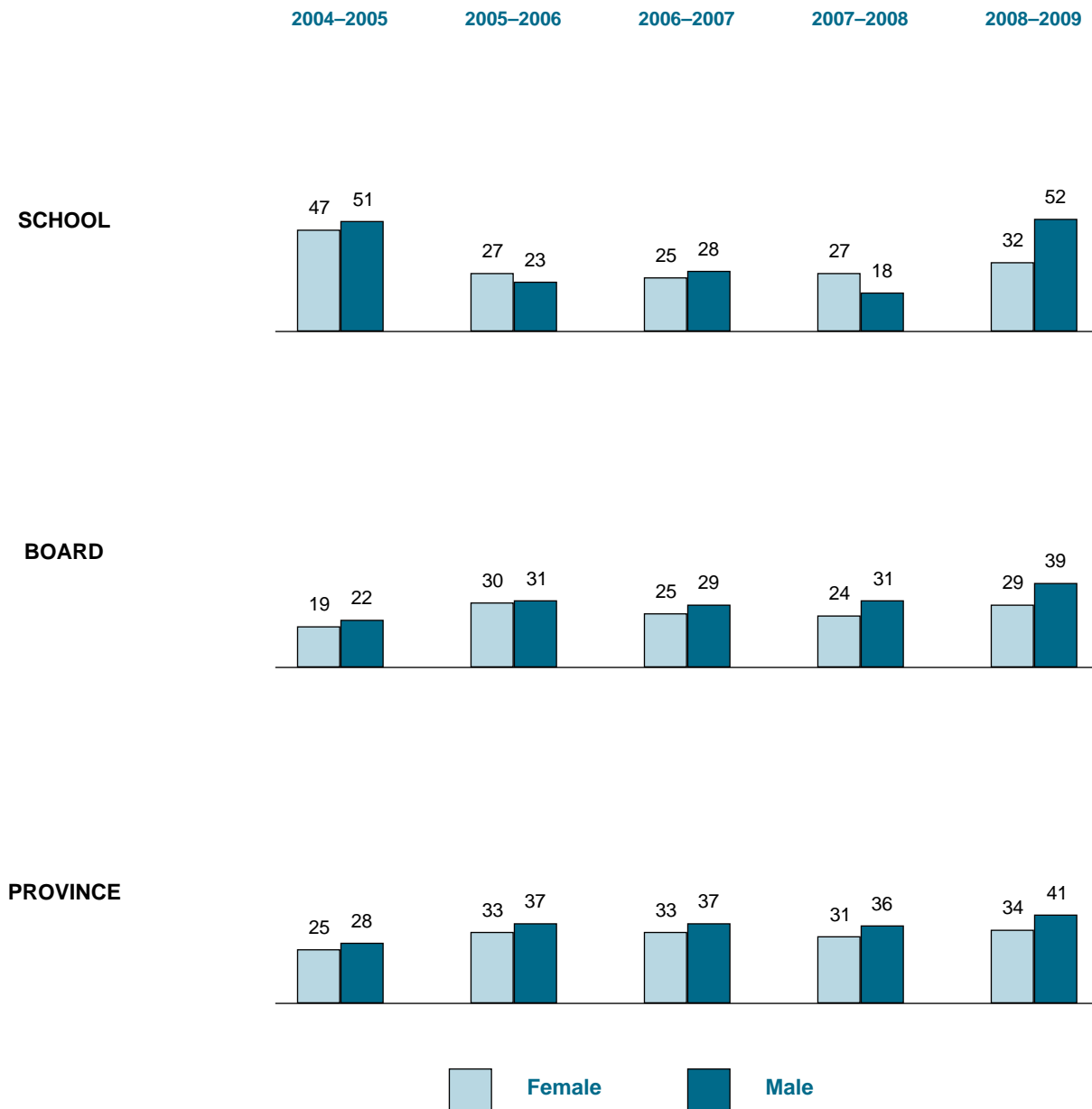
Province*				
Year	'05-'06	'06-'07	'07-'08	'08-'09
<i>Number of Students</i>	103 412	103 011	100 823	100 992
Level 4	6%	6%	8%	8%
Level 3	65%	64%	68%	69%
Level 2	17%	18%	16%	15%
Level 1	9%	9%	7%	6%
Below Level 1	1%	1%	1%	<1%
<i>Participating Students</i>	98%	98%	99%	99%
No Data	1%	2%	1%	1%
Exempt†	<1%	---	---	---
At or Above Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)†	71%	71%	75%	77%



* Because percentages in tables and graphs are rounded, and because graphs do not show all reporting categories, percentages may not add to 100.
 † These percentages are based on the actual number of students and cannot be calculated simply by adding the rounded percentages of students at Levels 3 and 4.
 ‡ In 2006–2007, students who were coded “exempt” were placed in the “no data” category. Since this may affect the percentage of students for whom no data are available, the results may not be comparable with those of previous years.

RESULTS FOR ALL STUDENTS OVER TIME BY GENDER†

**Percentage of Students At or Above the Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4):
GRADE 9 APPLIED MATHEMATICS***



Total Number of Students in Applied Mathematics Course†

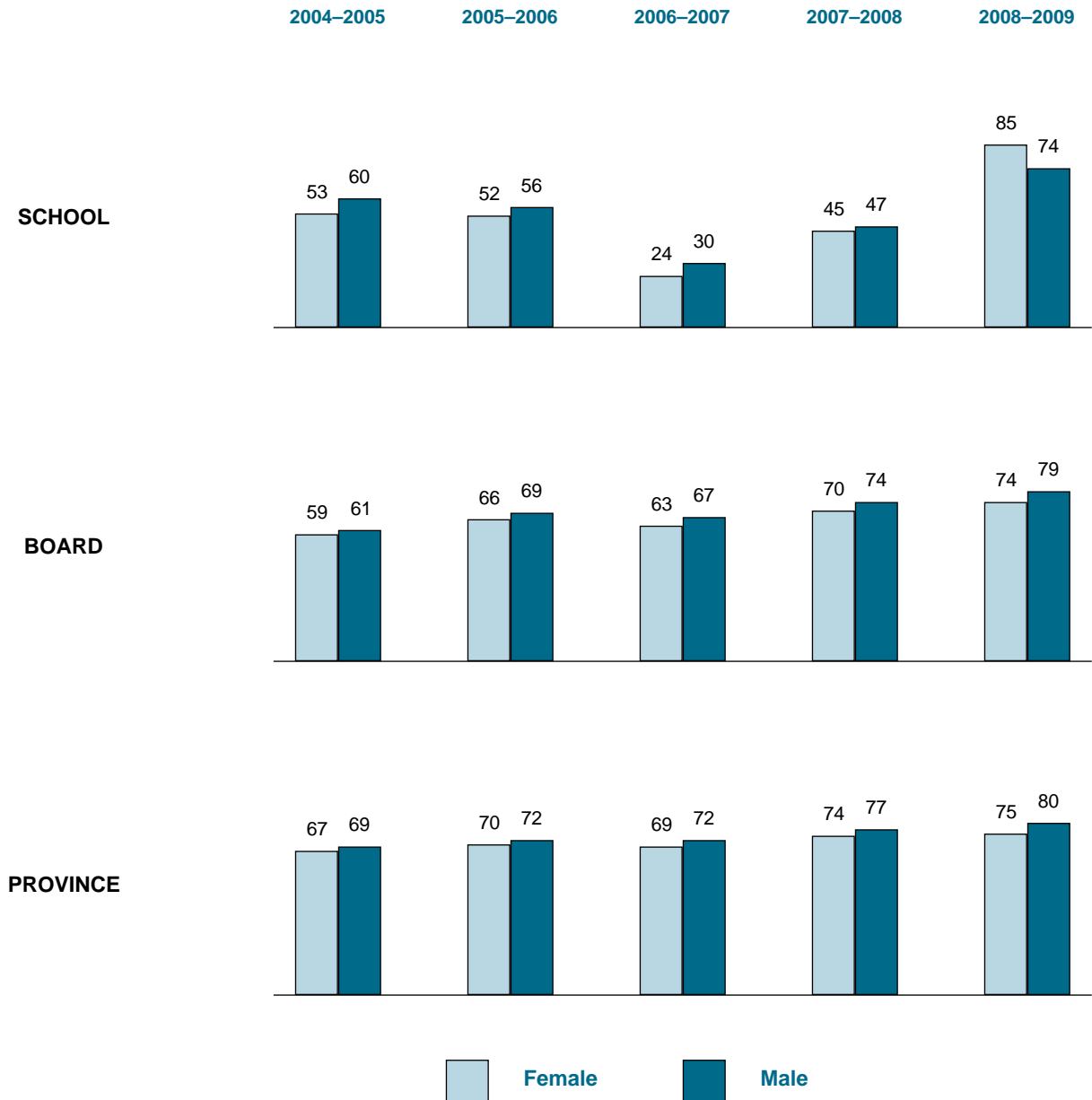
	2004-2005		2005-2006		2006-2007		2007-2008		2008-2009	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
School	47	47	62	62	53	75	33	72	37	56
Board	1 126	1 237	989	1 225	1 031	1 218	1 126	1 223	1 183	1 350
Province	22 371	27 413	22 884	27 802	22 126	26 926	21 626	26 182	21 752	26 730

† Includes only students for whom gender data were available.

* Note that significant revisions were made to applied courses in 2005 as reflected in *The Ontario Curriculum, Grades 9 and 10: Mathematics* (revised 2005).

RESULTS FOR ALL STUDENTS OVER TIME BY GENDER†

**Percentage of Students At or Above the Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4):
GRADE 9 ACADEMIC MATHEMATICS**



Total Number of Students in Academic Mathematics Course†

	2004-2005		2005-2006		2006-2007		2007-2008		2008-2009	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
School	78	72	71	66	67	54	38	45	33	27
Board	2 332	2 026	2 425	2 200	2 485	2 106	2 405	2 228	2 530	2 122
Province	52 030	50 129	53 183	50 228	52 887	50 122	51 367	49 452	51 554	49 438

† Includes only students for whom gender data were available.

Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics, 2008–2009, Applied Course

STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR THIS SCHOOL (# = 80)			
Questionnaire Item	Percentage of Students*		
1. Degree to which students “agree” or “disagree” with each of the following statements:			<i>Number of Students Who Answered “Strongly Agree or Agree”</i>
I like mathematics.			29
I am good at mathematics.			30
I understand most of the mathematics I am taught.			47
The mathematics I learn now is very useful for everyday life.			34
I need to keep taking mathematics for the kind of job I want after I leave school.			27
Mathematics is boring.			41
Mathematics is an easy subject.			15
2. How “easy” or “hard” students find mathematics questions that deal with the following:			<i>Number of Students Who Answered “Very Easy or Easy”</i>
number sense (e.g., operations with integers, rational numbers, exponents)			38
algebra (e.g., solving equations, simplifying expressions with polynomials)			33
linear relations (e.g., scatter plots, lines of best fit)			55
measurement (e.g., perimeter, area, volume)			53
geometry (e.g., angles, parallel lines, quadrilaterals)			29

* 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.

Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics, 2008–2009, Applied Course

STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR THIS SCHOOL (# = 80)		
Questionnaire Item	Percentage of Students*	
3. Students have the following <i>at home</i> to use for mathematics school work:		Number of Students Who Answered "Yes"
a computer		35
a scientific calculator		60
a graphing calculator		7
<p style="text-align: center;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No </p>		
4. Amount of time students <i>usually</i> spend on mathematics homework (in or out of school) on any given day:		Number of Students
more than 45 minutes		9
between 31 and 45 minutes		26
30 minutes or less		41
mathematics homework not usually assigned		4
5. How often students complete all of their mathematics homework:		Number of Students
never or seldom		16
sometimes		34
often or always		29
6. How often students have been absent from their Grade 9 mathematics class this year:		Number of Students
never		8
one to four times		34
five to nine times		18
10 or more times		20

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Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics, 2008–2009, Applied Course

STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR THIS SCHOOL (# = 80)		
Questionnaire Item	Percentage of Students*	
7. How often students have been late for their Grade 9 mathematics class this year:		Number of Students
never		13
one to four times		32
five to nine times		9
10 or more times		25
8. Language(s) students speak at home:		Number of Students
only or mostly English		46
another language (or other languages) as often as English		22
only or mostly another language (or other languages)		12
9. Number of elementary schools (kindergarten to Grade 8) attended:		Number of Students
one or two schools		55
three schools		10
four schools		11
five schools or more		4

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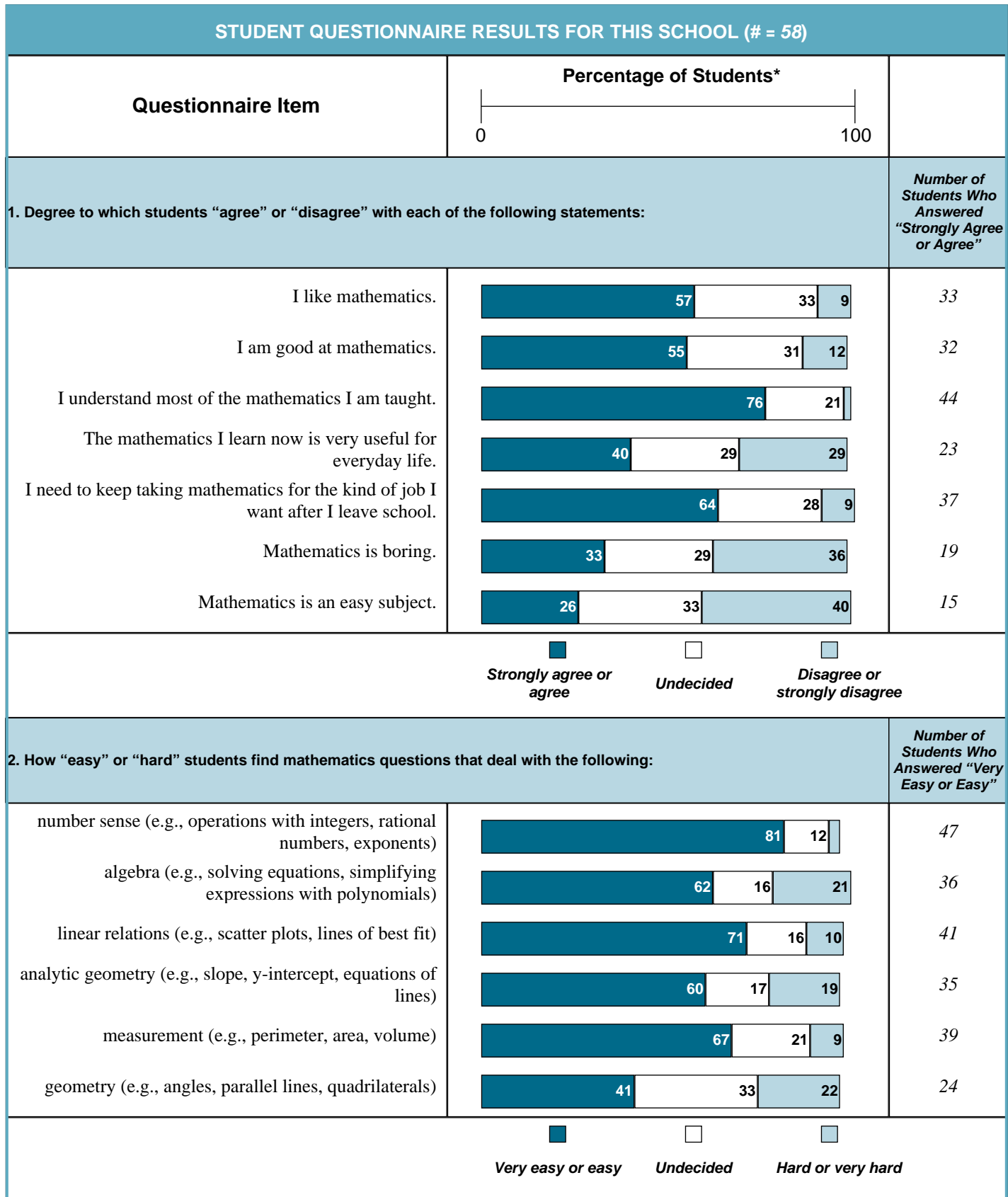
Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics, 2008–2009, Applied Course

STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR SCHOOL, BOARD AND PROVINCE (all students, female, male)	School			Board			Province		
	All Students (# = 80)	Female* (# = 33)	Male* (# = 47)	All Students (# = 2 292)	Female* (# = 1 069)	Male* (# = 1 223)	All Students (# = 43 413)	Female* (# = 19 517)	Male* (# = 23 896)
Percentage of students indicating that they “strongly agree” or “agree” with each of the following statements:									
I like mathematics.	36%	30%	40%	41%	36%	46%	36%	30%	42%
I am good at mathematics.	38%	33%	40%	36%	28%	42%	36%	28%	43%
I understand most of the mathematics I am taught.	59%	64%	55%	64%	60%	66%	63%	59%	66%
The mathematics I learn now is very useful for everyday life.	42%	30%	51%	51%	51%	51%	42%	39%	44%
I need to keep taking mathematics for the kind of job I want after I leave school.	34%	33%	34%	47%	47%	48%	43%	39%	46%
Mathematics is boring.	51%	61%	45%	35%	36%	34%	42%	44%	41%
Mathematics is an easy subject.	19%	12%	23%	19%	14%	24%	22%	17%	27%
Percentage of students indicating that the following are “very easy” or “easy”:									
number sense	48%	48%	47%	49%	47%	50%	47%	43%	50%
algebra	41%	45%	38%	42%	42%	42%	43%	44%	43%
linear relations	69%	85%	57%	63%	65%	62%	64%	63%	64%
measurement	66%	73%	62%	68%	68%	69%	66%	65%	67%
geometry	36%	27%	43%	37%	35%	40%	41%	36%	45%
Percentage of students indicating they have the following at home to use for mathematics school work:									
a computer	44%	27%	55%	45%	46%	44%	45%	46%	44%
a scientific calculator	75%	76%	74%	80%	82%	79%	75%	79%	73%
a graphing calculator	9%	9%	9%	14%	10%	17%	10%	8%	11%
Percentage of students indicating they usually spend the following amounts of time on mathematics homework (in or out of school) on any given day:**									
30 minutes or less	51%	48%	53%	45%	41%	48%	46%	44%	47%
more than 30 minutes	44%	48%	40%	46%	50%	42%	34%	38%	31%
mathematics homework not usually assigned	5%	3%	6%	9%	8%	9%	19%	17%	21%
Percentage of students indicating they complete all of their mathematics homework**									
never or seldom.	20%	15%	23%	13%	11%	15%	16%	13%	19%
sometimes.	42%	55%	34%	37%	38%	36%	31%	31%	31%
often or always.	36%	30%	40%	49%	50%	48%	51%	55%	48%
Percentage of students indicating they have been absent from their mathematics class this year**									
four times or less.	52%	45%	57%	61%	61%	62%	60%	58%	61%
five times or more.	48%	55%	43%	38%	38%	37%	39%	41%	38%
Percentage of students indicating how often they have been late for their mathematics class this year**									
four times or less.	56%	55%	57%	70%	71%	70%	69%	69%	68%
five times or more.	42%	45%	40%	29%	28%	29%	30%	29%	30%
Percentage of students indicating that they speak the following language(s) at home:**									
only or mostly English	58%	61%	55%	57%	57%	57%	81%	81%	81%
another language (or other languages) as often as English	28%	27%	28%	25%	26%	24%	11%	12%	11%
only or mostly another language (or other languages)	15%	12%	17%	16%	15%	17%	6%	6%	7%
Percentage of students indicating that from kindergarten to Grade 8 they attended									
three or more elementary schools.	31%	30%	32%	32%	33%	31%	40%	40%	39%

* Includes only students for whom gender data were available.

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

Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics, 2008–2009, Academic Course



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Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics, 2008–2009, Academic Course

STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR THIS SCHOOL (# = 58)		
Questionnaire Item	Percentage of Students*	
3. Students have the following <i>at home</i> to use for mathematics school work:		Number of Students Who Answered "Yes"
a computer		34
a scientific calculator		51
a graphing calculator		3
<p style="text-align: center;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No </p>		
4. Amount of time students <i>usually</i> spend on mathematics homework (in or out of school) on any given day:		Number of Students
more than 45 minutes		20
between 31 and 45 minutes		21
30 minutes or less		14
mathematics homework not usually assigned		1
5. How often students complete all of their mathematics homework:		Number of Students
never or seldom		11
sometimes		14
often or always		32
6. How often students have been absent from their Grade 9 mathematics class this year:		Number of Students
never		13
one to four times		32
five to nine times		10
10 or more times		2

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Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics, 2008–2009, Academic Course

STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR THIS SCHOOL (# = 58)		
Questionnaire Item	Percentage of Students*	
7. How often students have been late for their Grade 9 mathematics class this year:		Number of Students
never	40	23
one to four times	40	23
five to nine times	7	4
10 or more times	12	7
8. Language(s) students speak at home:		Number of Students
only or mostly English	40	23
another language (or other languages) as often as English	33	19
only or mostly another language (or other languages)	26	15
9. Number of elementary schools (kindergarten to Grade 8) attended:		Number of Students
one or two schools	76	44
three schools	16	9
four schools	5	3
five schools or more	2	1

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

Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics, 2008–2009, Academic Course

STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR SCHOOL, BOARD AND PROVINCE (all students, female, male)	School			Board			Province		
	All Students (# = 58)	Female* (# = 33)	Male* (# = 25)	All Students (# = 4 471)	Female* (# = 2 437)	Male* (# = 2 034)	All Students (# = 96 485)	Female* (# = 49 343)	Male* (# = 47 142)
Percentage of students indicating that they “strongly agree” or “agree” with each of the following statements:									
I like mathematics.	57%	52%	64%	57%	51%	65%	55%	49%	61%
I am good at mathematics.	55%	58%	52%	51%	44%	60%	53%	45%	61%
I understand most of the mathematics I am taught.	76%	67%	88%	74%	71%	78%	73%	69%	77%
The mathematics I learn now is very useful for everyday life.	40%	45%	32%	44%	41%	47%	38%	34%	42%
I need to keep taking mathematics for the kind of job I want after I leave school.	64%	76%	48%	57%	55%	59%	56%	54%	59%
Mathematics is boring.	33%	33%	32%	25%	24%	27%	30%	30%	30%
Mathematics is an easy subject.	26%	21%	32%	27%	22%	33%	28%	23%	34%
Percentage of students indicating that the following are “very easy” or “easy”:									
number sense	81%	70%	96%	70%	68%	74%	68%	65%	72%
algebra	62%	64%	60%	65%	65%	64%	63%	63%	63%
linear relations	71%	61%	84%	54%	52%	56%	52%	49%	56%
analytic geometry	60%	55%	68%	52%	51%	53%	48%	46%	50%
measurement	67%	61%	76%	76%	74%	78%	76%	74%	78%
geometry	41%	42%	40%	57%	53%	61%	61%	57%	65%
Percentage of students indicating they have the following at home to use for mathematics school work:									
a computer	59%	64%	52%	54%	55%	53%	56%	57%	54%
a scientific calculator	88%	91%	84%	90%	92%	88%	87%	89%	86%
a graphing calculator	5%	3%	8%	14%	15%	14%	9%	8%	10%
Percentage of students indicating they usually spend the following amounts of time on mathematics homework (in or out of school) on any given day:**									
30 minutes or less	24%	15%	36%	31%	24%	38%	37%	32%	43%
more than 30 minutes	71%	85%	52%	67%	73%	59%	59%	65%	52%
mathematics homework not usually assigned	2%	0%	4%	2%	1%	2%	3%	2%	3%
Percentage of students indicating they complete all of their mathematics homework**									
never or seldom.	19%	9%	32%	11%	8%	15%	12%	9%	15%
sometimes.	24%	33%	12%	25%	23%	28%	24%	22%	26%
often or always.	55%	58%	52%	62%	67%	57%	63%	68%	57%
Percentage of students indicating they have been absent from their mathematics class this year**									
four times or less.	78%	70%	88%	76%	76%	76%	73%	72%	74%
five times or more.	21%	30%	8%	23%	23%	23%	25%	26%	24%
Percentage of students indicating how often they have been late for their mathematics class this year**									
four times or less.	79%	76%	84%	85%	87%	82%	84%	85%	82%
five times or more.	19%	24%	12%	14%	12%	17%	15%	13%	16%
Percentage of students indicating that they speak the following language(s) at home:**									
only or mostly English	40%	42%	36%	62%	61%	64%	75%	76%	74%
another language (or other languages) as often as English	33%	36%	28%	24%	25%	22%	15%	15%	15%
only or mostly another language (or other languages)	26%	21%	32%	13%	12%	14%	9%	8%	10%
Percentage of students indicating that from kindergarten to Grade 8 they attended									
three or more elementary schools.	22%	24%	20%	26%	27%	25%	35%	35%	35%

* Includes only students for whom gender data were available.

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

Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics, 2008–2009

EXPLANATION OF TERMS

All Students	Results are reported for all students in the course.
Participating Students	Results are reported only for those students who took part in the assessment (excludes the "no data" category).
Provincial Standard	The Ministry of Education, in <i>The Ontario Curriculum, Grades 9 and 10: Mathematics</i> , has set Level 3 as the provincial standard.
Level 4 (80–100%)	The student has demonstrated a very high to outstanding level of achievement. Achievement is <i>above</i> the provincial standard.
Level 3 (70–79%)	The student has demonstrated a high level of achievement. Achievement is <i>at</i> the provincial standard.
Level 2 (60–69%)	The student has demonstrated some of the required knowledge and skills. Achievement is <i>below, but approaching</i> , the provincial standard.
Level 1 (50–59%)	The student has demonstrated a passable level of achievement. Achievement is <i>below</i> the provincial standard.
Below Level 1/ Below L1	The student has not demonstrated sufficient achievement of curriculum expectations (below 50%).
No Data	Students who did not complete any part of the assessment due to absence or for medical or other reasons.
Exempt	Beginning in 2006–2007, exemptions have not been permitted.
English Language Learners	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</i> (2007). Prior to 2007, English language learners were called English as a second language (ESL)/English literacy development (ELD) learners.
Students Receiving One or More Special Provisions	Students identified by the school as receiving special provisions. Detailed information about special provisions is available in EQAO's <i>Guide for Accommodations and Special Provisions</i> .
Students with Special Needs (excluding gifted)	Students who have been formally identified by an Identification, Placement and Review Committee, as well as students who have an Individual Education Plan. Students identified as gifted are not included.
Students Receiving One or More Accommodations	Students identified by the school as receiving accommodations. Students identified as gifted are not included. Detailed information about accommodations is available in EQAO's <i>Guide for Accommodations and Special Provisions</i> .
N/R	"Not reported" indicates that the number of students participating (fewer than 15 in a group) or responding to the Student Questionnaire is so small (fewer than six in a group) that identification of individual student results might be possible; therefore, results are not reported.
N/D	"No data available" is used to indicate that there were no students in the course for the years specified.
W	Results for some or all students are being withheld by EQAO. For further information, please contact the school principal.