

Appendix table 1-6
Mathematics literacy scores of 15-year-olds, by country and percentile: 2000

Country	Mean score	Percentile			
		5th	25th	75th	95th
Japan	557	402	504	617	688
South Korea	547	400	493	606	676
New Zealand	537	365	472	607	689
Finland	536	400	484	592	664
Australia	533	380	474	594	679
Canada	533	390	477	592	668
Switzerland.....	529	354	466	601	682
United Kingdom	529	374	470	592	676
Belgium	520	322	453	597	672
France	517	364	457	581	657
Austria.....	515	355	455	581	661
Denmark	515	366	458	575	649
Iceland	514	372	459	572	649
Liechtenstein.....	514	343	454	579	665
Sweden	510	347	450	574	656
Ireland	503	357	449	561	630
Norway	499	340	439	565	643
Czech Republic.....	498	335	433	564	655
OECD country mean.....	498	318	429	572	658
United States.....	493	327	427	562	652
Germany.....	490	311	423	563	649
Hungary.....	488	327	419	558	648
Russian Federation	478	305	407	552	648
Spain	476	323	416	540	621
Poland	470	296	402	542	632
Latvia	463	288	394	536	625
Italy	457	301	398	520	600
Portugal.....	454	297	392	520	596
Greece.....	447	260	375	524	617
Luxembourg	446	281	390	509	588
Mexico.....	387	254	329	445	527
Brazil	334	179	266	399	499

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Average significantly above United States

Average significantly below United States

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Outcomes of Learning: Results From the 2000 Program for International Student Assessment of 15-Year-Olds in Reading, Mathematics, and Science Literacy*, NCES 2002-115 (Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Education, 2001).