

# 2016–2017 Nova Scotia Assessment

## Reading, Writing and Mathematics in Grade 6



### About the Assessment

Grade 6 students wrote this assessment in September/October 2016. The assessment required four 90-minute periods spread over four days. For the reading portion of the assessment, students read different types of texts and answered questions about what they read. They also completed two writing tasks. For the mathematics portion, students answered questions in each of the mathematics strands (number and operations, patterns and relations, measurement, geometry, and statistics and probability).

Nova Scotia teachers work with the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development to develop this assessment, to score the writing tasks, and to set the assessment expectation. The expectation is what students should know and be able to do on their own at the beginning of grade 6. All of the items and texts on the assessment are aligned with selected reading, writing, and mathematics outcomes in the elementary curriculum up to grade 5.

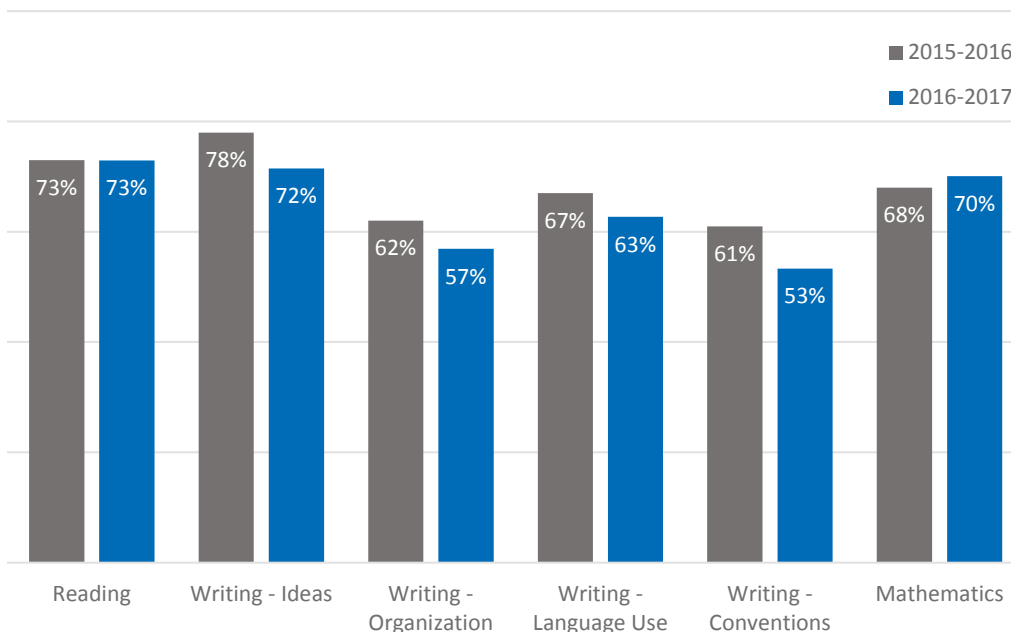
The 2016–2017 assessment results will provide:

- teachers with information to inform instructional planning;
- parents and guardians with information on their child’s performance;
- the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development and school boards with information to inform educational decisions.

These results should be used in combination with other reliable measures of school and classroom achievement. For more information about the assessment, visit <https://plans.ednet.ns.ca/grade6>.

### Provincial Results

Percentage of students at or above the assessment expectation



### Did you know?

Nova Scotia Assessments and Examinations are developed and scored in Nova Scotia by our teachers working with department staff.

Students write Nova Scotia Assessments in grade 3, grade 4, grade 6, and grade 8.

Samples of reading, writing, and mathematics questions can be found on our website.

<https://plans.ednet.ns.ca/grade6/documents>

*Lessons Learned* documents support teachers and administrators in using the information from this assessment to inform next steps.

<https://plans.ednet.ns.ca/grade6/lessons-learned>

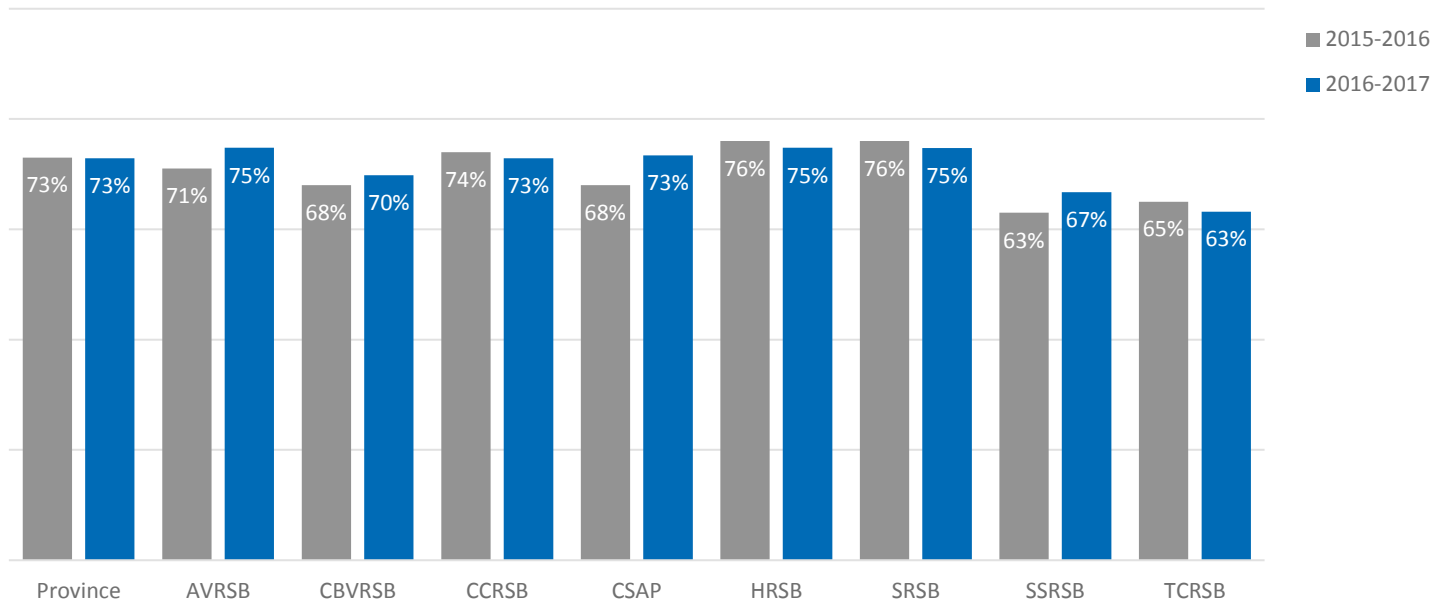
Assessment results do not affect report card grades or decisions about promotion or retention.

# 2016–2017 Nova Scotia Assessment

## Reading, Writing and Mathematics in Grade 6

### Reading

Percentage of students at or above the assessment expectation (province and school boards)



### Participation for reading and writing 2016 – 2017

	Province	AVR SB	CBVRSB	CCRSB	CSAP	HRSB	SRSB	SSR SB	TCR SB
Number of students in grade	8399	853	906	1460	363	3467	493	455	402
Number of students participating	7789	791	822	1373	350	3222	448	427	356
Participation rate	93%	93%	91%	94%	96%	93%	91%	94%	89%

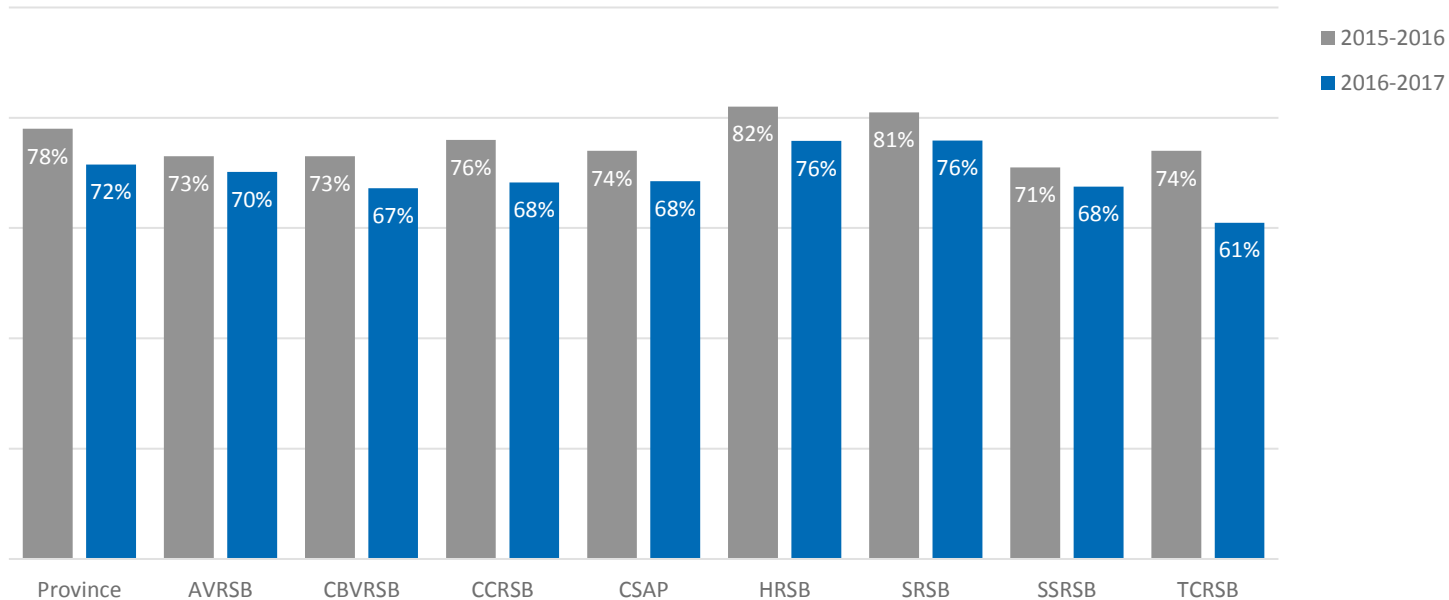
# 2016–2017 Nova Scotia Assessment

## Reading, Writing and Mathematics in Grade 6

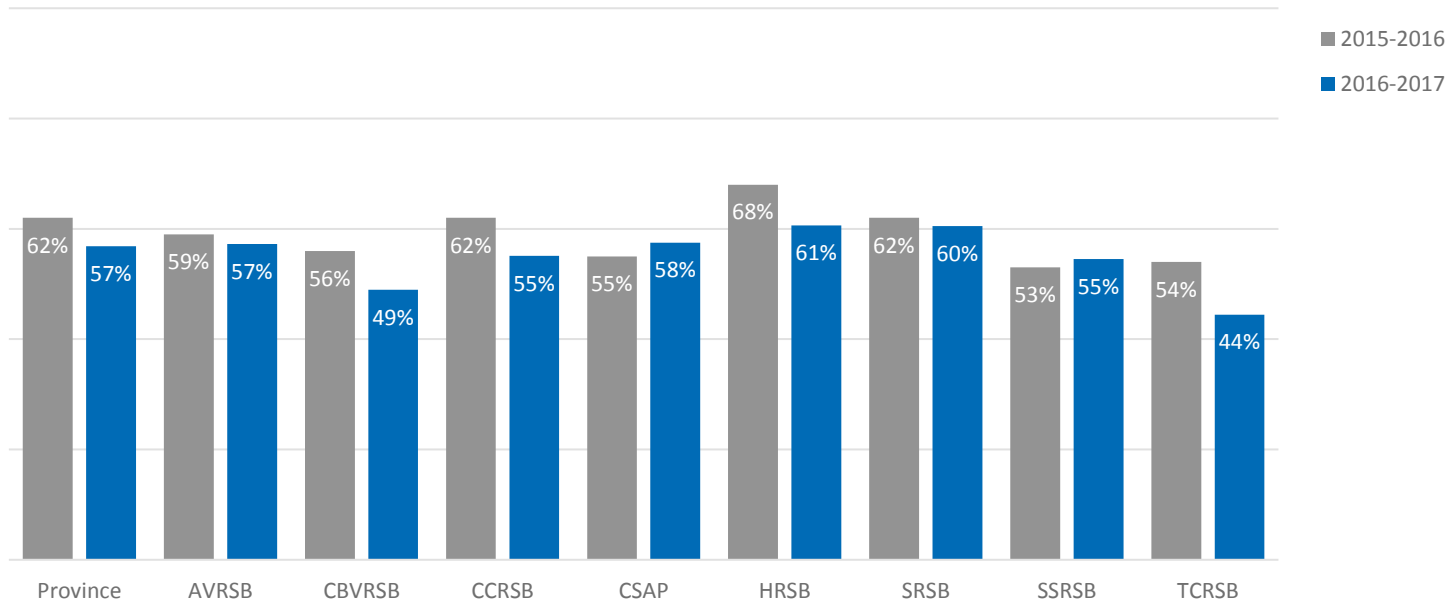
### Writing

Percentage of students at or above the assessment expectation (province and school boards)

#### Ideas



#### Organization



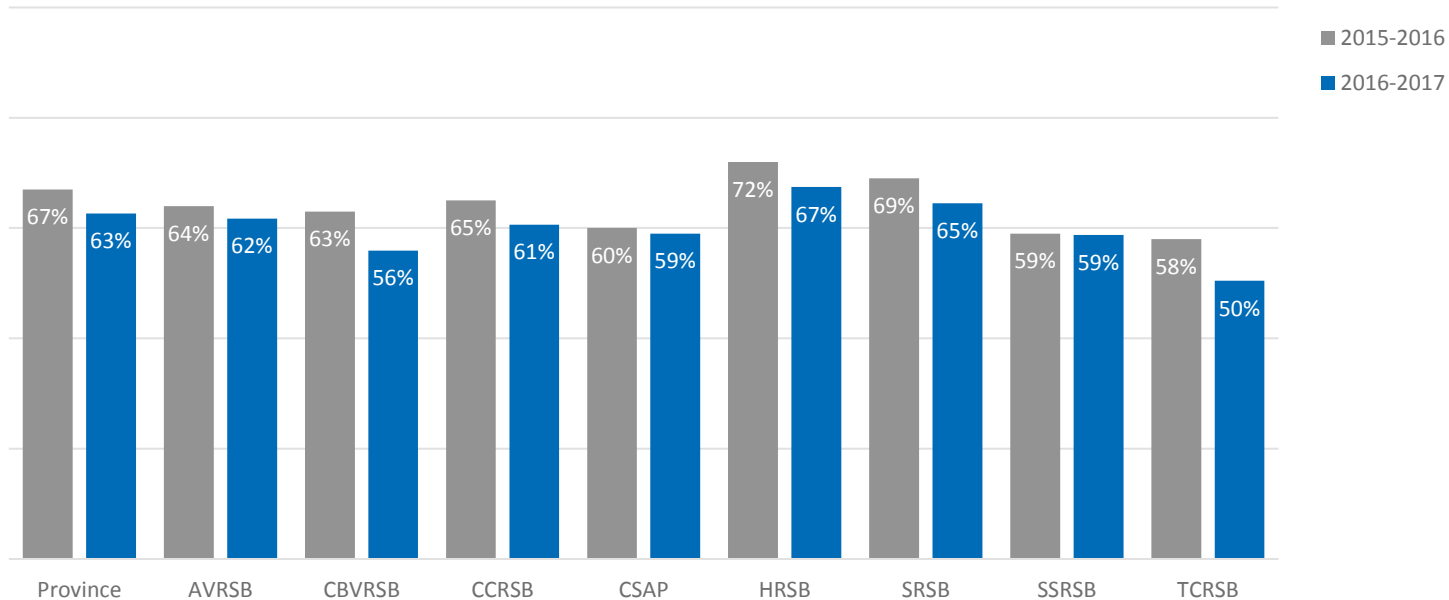
# 2016–2017 Nova Scotia Assessment

## Reading, Writing and Mathematics in Grade 6

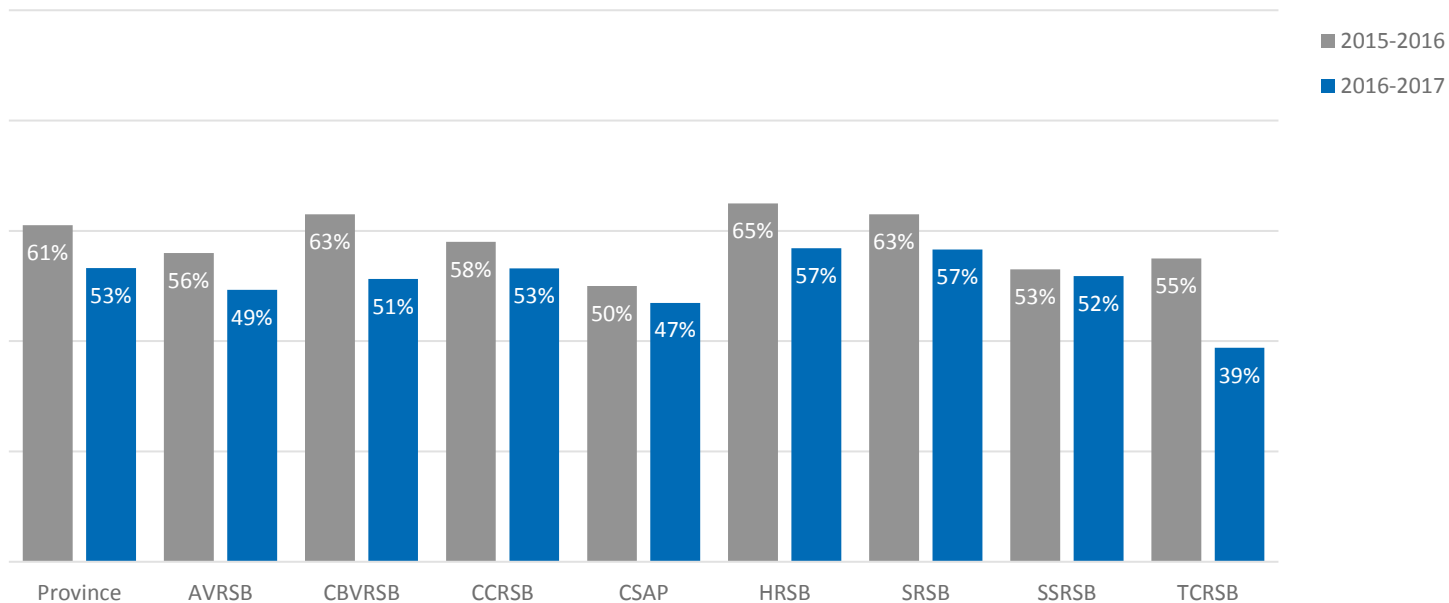
### Writing

Percentage of students at or above the assessment expectation (province and school boards)

#### Language Use



#### Conventions

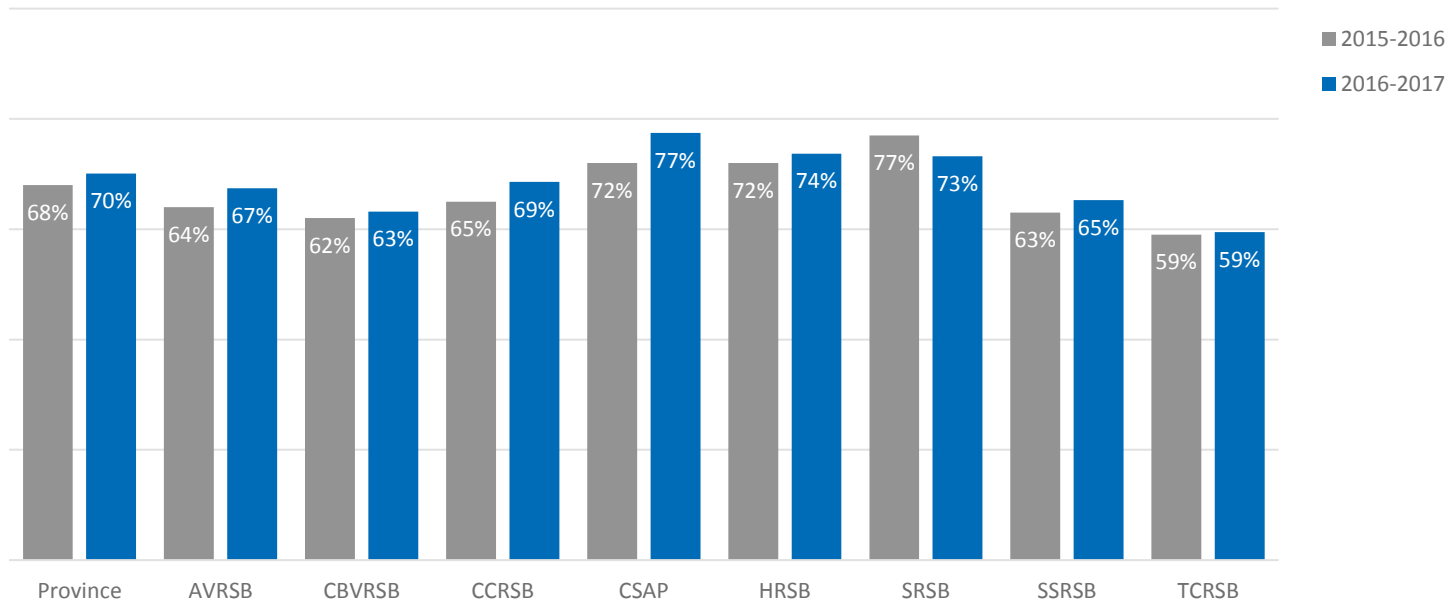


# 2016–2017 Nova Scotia Assessment

## Reading, Writing and Mathematics in Grade 6

### Mathematics

Percentage of students at or above the assessment expectation (province and school boards)



### Participation for mathematics in 2016–2017

	Province	AVR SB	CBV SB	CCR SB	CSAP	HRSB	SRSB	SSR SB	TCR SB
Number of students in grade	8399	853	906	1460	363	3467	493	455	402
Number of students participating	7750	789	817	1352	355	3200	448	429	360
Participation rate	92%	92%	90%	93%	98%	92%	91%	94%	90%