

Florida Department of Education

FCAT Writing Average Scores¹ Grades 4, 8, and 10 1993-2004*

Grade 4

Category/Year	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Writing to Explain	1.7	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.5	3.0	2.9	3.2	3.5	3.3	3.5	3.6
Writing to Tell a Story	2.3	2.3	2.7	2.8	2.8	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.4	3.5	3.8	3.7
Grade 4 Combined	2.0	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.6	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.4	3.4	3.6	3.7

Grade 8

Category/Year	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Writing to Explain	3.2	2.7	3.1	3.7	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.9
Writing to Convince	2.8	2.8	3.0	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.8	3.8	3.7
Grade 8 Combined	3.0	2.7	3.1	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.9	3.8

Grade 10

Category/Year	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Writing to Explain	NA	2.9	3.3	3.2	3.7	3.6	3.6	3.9	4.0	4.0	3.8	3.8
Writing to Convince	NA	2.9	3.2	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.9
Grade 10 Combined	NA	2.9	3.3	3.3	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8

* Beginning in 2000, averages are for all curriculum groups combined. Previous averages are for standard curriculum students only.

¹ FCAT Writing, formerly the Florida Writing Assessment Program, is also known as Florida Writes!

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