

Appendix table 1-1

First-time kindergarteners and their average mathematics and science assessment scores, by child, family, and school characteristics: Academic year 2010–11

| Child, family, and school characteristic | Number | Percent distribution | Assessment score | | |
|---|-----------|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Mathematics, fall 2010 | Mathematics, spring 2011 | Science, spring 2011 ^a |
| All children | 3,472,902 | 100 | 29.3 | 42.0 | 11.4 |
| Sex | | | | | |
| Male | 1,779,792 | 51 | 29.4 | 42.0 | 11.4 |
| Female | 1,693,109 | 49 | 29.2 | 42.0 | 11.3 |
| Race or ethnicity ^b | | | | | |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 42,970 | 1 | 26.3 | 40.2 | 11.5 |
| Asian | 142,096 | 4 | 34.5 | 46.0 | 10.8 |
| Black | 458,058 | 13 | 25.8 | 37.5 | 10.0 |
| Hispanic ^c | 820,424 | 24 | 24.7 | 37.8 | 9.7 |
| White | 1,844,241 | 53 | 31.7 | 44.6 | 12.4 |
| Family poverty status in fall 2010 ^d | | | | | |
| Income below the federal poverty level | 707,334 | 25 | 24.1 | 36.8 | 9.8 |
| Income between 100% and 199% of the federal poverty level | 635,889 | 22 | 27.9 | 40.6 | 11.1 |
| Income at or above 200% of the federal poverty level | 1,519,452 | 53 | 33.3 | 45.9 | 12.5 |
| Parents' highest education in fall 2010 ^e | | | | | |
| Less than high school education | 308,586 | 9 | 21.0 | 34.3 | 8.7 |
| High school education | 706,967 | 20 | 24.7 | 37.4 | 10.2 |
| Some college/vocational degree | 1,122,354 | 32 | 28.4 | 41.1 | 11.3 |
| Bachelor's degree | 693,651 | 20 | 33.1 | 45.8 | 12.3 |
| Graduate/professional school | 630,113 | 18 | 35.7 | 48.1 | 12.8 |
| Family type in fall 2010 ^f | | | | | |
| Two parents | 2,432,987 | 76 | 30.6 | 43.4 | 11.7 |
| One parent | 715,725 | 22 | 25.9 | 38.3 | 10.6 |
| Other | 69,293 | 2 | 24.6 | 37.3 | 10.7 |
| Primary home language in fall 2010 ^g | | | | | |
| Not English | 514,014 | 15 | 24.1 | 37.3 | 8.8 |
| English | 2,909,750 | 84 | 30.2 | 42.9 | 11.8 |
| School type in fall 2010 | | | | | |
| Public | 3,074,220 | 89 | 28.8 | 41.5 | 11.2 |
| Private | 398,682 | 11 | 32.9 | 45.8 | 12.3 |

^a There was no science assessment in fall 2010.

^b Other racial and ethnic groups are included in All children but are not shown separately in the table.

^c Hispanic may be any race. American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, black or African American, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, white, and more than one race refer to individuals who are not of Hispanic origin.

^d Poverty status is based on 2010 U.S. Census poverty thresholds, which identify incomes determined to meet household needs, given family size. For example, in 2010 a family of two was below the poverty threshold if its income was lower than \$14,220.

^e The highest level of education achieved by either of the parents or guardians in a two-parent household or by the only parent or guardian in a single-parent household.

^f Two parents includes two biological parents, two adoptive parents, and one biological/adoptive parent and one other parent/partner. One parent refers to one biological or adoptive parent only. Other refers to related or unrelated guardians.

^g Excludes about 1% of students with multiple home languages or no primary home language identified.

NOTES: Mathematics assessment scores range from 0 to 75, and science assessment scores range from 0 to 20. Detail may not sum to total due to rounding, missing data, and categories excluded for some variables.

SOURCES: Science scores: National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, special tabulations (2013) of the Early Childhood Longitudinal Study, Kindergarten Class of 2010–11, National Center for Education Statistics. Number of students and mathematics scores: Mulligan GM, Hastedt S, McCarroll JC, *First-Time Kindergartners in 2010–11: First Findings From the Kindergarten Rounds of the Early Childhood Longitudinal Study, Kindergarten Class of 2010–11* (ECLS-K:2011), NCES 2012-049 (2012).