



## Statewide Comparison of FCAT Writing Average Scores<sup>1</sup> Grades 4, 8, and 10 1993-2007\*

<b>Grade 4</b>															
<b>Category/Year</b>	<b>1993</b>	<b>1994</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>
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	3.7	4.0	3.8
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	3.7	3.7	3.8
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	3.7	3.9	3.9 <sup>2</sup>
<b>Grade 8</b>															
<b>Category/Year</b>	<b>1993</b>	<b>1994</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>
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	3.9	4.0	4.1
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	3.7	3.9	4.1
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	3.8	4.0	4.1 <sup>2</sup>
<b>Grade 10</b>															
<b>Category/Year</b>	<b>1993</b>	<b>1994</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>
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	3.7	3.9	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	4.0	3.8	4.0
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	3.8	3.9	3.9 <sup>2</sup>

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

<sup>1</sup> FCAT Writing+, formerly FCAT Writing, is also known as the Florida Writing Assessment Program and Florida Writes!

<sup>2</sup> Combined essay averages include students with overall scores only. Individual essay averages include all students who completed the essay.