

# Department of Psychological Science Major Field Test Results

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The Department of Psychological Science administers the Major Field Test in Psychology to its graduating majors each spring. Summary data for the past 11 years (2002–2012) appear below. 2012 subscores and assessment indicators are compared to data from seniors who took the test in 2010–2012 (more than 4,600 students at 167 institutions by 2012) and are not directly comparable with earlier data. 2006–2011 subscores and assessment indicators are compared to data from seniors who took the test in 2005–2010 (more than 36,500 students at 365 institutions by 2010) and are not directly comparable to the earlier data, which were based on comparisons with scores from seniors taking the test from 2000–2003 (more than 18,000 seniors at 282 institutions by 2003).

## Albion Results as %ile of National Comparative Data

Year N=	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
<b>Overall Score</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>74</b>
<b>Subscores</b>											
Learning & Cognition		80	70	75	65	55	70	60	80	75	83
Percept/Sens/Physio/Compar/Ethol		75	75	60	55	60	60	70	70	75	63
Clinical, Abnormal, & Personality		65	55	55	45	35	40	35	55	40	65
Developmental & Social		50	65	55	75	50	60	60	60	50	61
<b>Assessment Indicators</b>											
Memory & Cognition	72	85	70	70	75	65	75	70	90	90	87
Perception, Sensation, & Physiology	60	75	80	60	60	60	55	70	70	80	63
Developmental	56	55	75	45	75	45	70	55	55	40	61
Clinical & Abnormal	77	70	55	65	40	40	50	45	75	55	68
Social	71	45	55	55	75	55	55	65	65	60	52
Measurement & Methodology	73	85	75	85	80	75	80	75	75	80	76

Note 1: In 2003 ETS began reporting comparative data in 5% increments. In 2012 comparative data were available in 1% increments.

Note 2: No interpolation was done for scores; I present here a slightly conservative (i.e., lower) number based on rounding down to the nearest integer for comparison with the ETS data.

Note 3: 2006–2011 subscores and assessment indicators are normed against comparative data from 2005–2010 and are not directly comparable to the earlier data.

Note 4: 2012 subscores and assessment indicators are normed against comparative data from 2011 & 2012 and are not directly comparable to the earlier data.