

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 10 years (2002–2011) appear below. 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
Overall Score	71	75	70	65	65	50	60	60	65	65
Subscores										
Learning & Cognition		80	70	75	65	55	70	60	80	75
Percept/Sens/Physio/Compar/Ethol		75	75	60	55	60	60	70	70	75
Clinical, Abnormal, & Personality		65	55	55	45	35	40	35	55	40
Developmental & Social		50	65	55	75	50	60	60	60	50
Assessment Indicators										
Memory & Thinking	72	85	70	70	75	65	75	70	90	90
Sensory & Physiology	60	75	80	60	60	60	55	70	70	80
Developmental	56	55	75	45	75	45	70	55	55	40
Clinical & Abnormal	77	70	55	65	40	40	50	45	75	55
Social	71	45	55	55	75	55	55	65	65	60
Measurement & Methodology	73	85	75	85	80	75	80	75	75	80

Note 1: In 2003 ETS began reporting comparative data in 5% 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.