



Test and Score Data Summary

for the

TOEFL ITP[®] Test

January–December 2014 Test Data

This edition of the *TOEFL ITP[®] Test and Score Data Summary* contains data on the performance of examinees who took a TOEFL ITP test between January and December 2014.

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The TOEFL ITP® Test



The *TOEFL ITP*® test measures the English proficiency of test takers whose native language is not English. TOEFL ITP test questions primarily assess

understanding of academic language. Test results can be used to make placement decisions, to monitor progress, and to inform end-of-course decisions. For more details about the uses of the test: http://www.ets.org/toefl_itp/use/.

The TOEFL ITP test is administered in a paper format with an audio component. The test includes multiple-choice questions, each with four answer choices.

The test consists of three sections: Listening Comprehension, Structure and Written Expression, and Reading Comprehension.

- The **Listening Comprehension** section measures the ability to understand spoken English in academic settings. Test takers listen to recorded audio materials and answer questions about what they heard. The recordings include language features that are typical of oral delivery. The questions about the recordings ask about the main ideas and important details, and both explicit and implicit information.
- The **Structure and Written Expression** section measures recognition of correct and incorrect sentence structure in standard written English. In the **Structure** part, test takers read a sentence and choose the correct answer choice to produce a grammatically correct sentence. In the **Written Expression** part, they select the underlined word or phrase that is grammatically incorrect. The sentences are on general academic topics.

- The **Reading Comprehension** section measures the ability to understand academic reading passages in English. The topic and complexity of the passages are similar to what is typical of academic textbooks. Test takers read a variety of passages on academic subjects and answer questions about each passage. The questions ask about information that is stated in or implied in the passage, and about the meaning of specific words used in the passage.

The testing time is approximately two hours. Additional time is needed for test takers to be admitted to the testing room, to enter their identification information on their answer sheets, and to distribute and collect the test materials.

A team of language and assessment specialists develop the materials for the TOEFL ITP test. The test content and specifications of the TOEFL ITP test are based on the paper-based TOEFL test (TOEFL PBT). Test specifications, test questions, and test forms are rigorously reviewed, following the ETS Standards for Fairness and Quality. Test questions are carefully checked to ensure that the content is appropriate, according to established ETS procedures.

The TOEFL ITP test does not measure content knowledge, but rather, the questions can be answered based on the materials presented. The focus is on the test taker's English language proficiency—the overall ability to use English. This proficiency increases gradually over time, and is generally achieved through a combination of practice and study.

Additional information about the TOEFL ITP test can be found at https://www.ets.org/toefl_itp.





TOEFL ITP[®] Test Data for 2014

The tables below contain data from TOEFL ITP (Level 1) administrations in 2014, and the data were collected from test takers worldwide who took the TOEFL ITP (Level 1) test between January and December 2014.

Table 1 gives actual ranges of observed scores for the period from January 2014 through December 2014.

Table 1. Observed Minimum and Maximum TOEFL ITP Section and Total Scores

Section	Min.	Max.
1. Listening Comprehension	31	68
2. Structure and Written Expression	31	68
3. Reading Comprehension	31	67
Total	310	677

Table 2 presents means and standard deviations of section and total scores by gender for examinees tested between January and December 2014.

Table 2. Means and Standard Deviations for TOEFL ITP Sections and Total Scores by Gender*

Group	Section 1 Listening Comprehension	Section 2 Structure and Written Expression	Section 3 Reading Comprehension	Total Scales Score
Male	49.4 7.4	47.1 8.2	49.3 7.7	486 70
Female	49.1 7.2	46.4 7.8	48.3 7.2	480 67

*Based on examinees who responded to a question about gender group membership.



Tables 3 and 4 may be useful in comparing the performance on the TOEFL ITP test of a particular student with that of other students from the same native country and with that of students who speak the same language. **ETS, the creator of the TOEFL ITP test, does not endorse the practice of ranking countries on the basis of TOEFL ITP scores, as this is a misuse of the data.** The TOEFL ITP test provides accurate scores at the individual level; it is not appropriate for comparing countries. Numerous factors contribute to these scores: the different numbers of students taking the test in each country, the age that English is introduced into the curriculum, and the number of hours per week of English classes. Moreover, the TOEFL ITP test takers do not represent all English learners in a country; generalizing about a country from this group is not meaningful.

Table 3. TOEFL ITP Total and Section Score Means¹ — All Examinees Classified by Native Language

Language	Section 1 Listening Comprehension	Section 2 Structure and Written Expression	Section 3 Reading Comprehension	Total Scale Mean	Language	Section 1 Listening Comprehension	Section 2 Structure and Written Expression	Section 3 Reading Comprehension	Total Scale Mean
Afrikaans	.	.	.	.	Madurese	50	46	49	485
Albanian	46	43	45	446	Malagasy	52	52	54	525
Amharic	49	45	48	472	Malay	54	48	52	515
Arabic	49	44	45	459	Malayalam	49	47	47	476
Armenian	51	49	48	497	Maltese	.	.	.	.
Assamese	45	45	45	450	Mandingo	.	.	.	.
Azerbaijani	50	45	48	480	Marathi	.	.	.	.
Bashkir	.	.	.	.	Marshallese	.	.	.	.
Basque	.	.	.	.	Mende	.	.	.	.
Belarusian	.	.	.	.	Minangkabau	.	.	.	.
Bemba	.	.	.	.	Mongolian	51	47	48	485
Bengali	51	48	48	490	Mossi	44	45	45	448
Berber	47	46	46	463	Nepali	52	47	49	493
Bikol	.	.	.	.	Norwegian	62	60	58	602
Bosnian	.	.	.	.	Nyanja	.	.	.	.
Bulgarian	58	58	56	573	Oriya	.	.	.	.
Burmese	45	47	48	465	Oromo	.	.	.	.
Catalan	50	54	54	527	Palauan	.	.	.	.
Cebuano	.	.	.	.	Pohnpeian	.	.	.	.
Chichewa	.	.	.	.	Polish	56	51	52	528
Chinese	50	47	48	483	Portuguese	50	47	51	492
Chuvash	.	.	.	.	Punjabi	56	56	56	563
Croatian	.	.	.	.	Pushto	50	47	47	481
Czech	55	54	55	548	Romanian	58	56	56	564
Danish	.	.	.	.	Russian	53	49	50	509
Dutch	62	59	59	599	Samoan	.	.	.	.
Efik	.	.	.	.	Santali	.	.	.	.
Estonian	.	.	.	.	Shona	.	.	.	.
Ewe	.	.	.	.	Sindhi	51	51	51	513
Farisi	51	46	47	481	Sinhalese	.	.	.	.
Fijian	.	.	.	.	Slovak	55	52	53	532
Finnish	.	.	.	.	Slovenian	.	.	.	.
French	54	53	55	540	Somali	52	49	49	498
Fulah	49	50	52	503	Spanish	52	48	51	502
Georgian	55	53	53	535	Sundanese	.	.	.	.
German	59	56	55	564	Swahili	51	50	51	507
Greek	48	48	50	487	Swedish	56	52	53	533
Guarani	.	.	.	.	Tagalog	56	54	50	537
Gujarati	47	47	49	476	Tamil	55	52	52	530
Hausa	50	46	46	472	Telugu	50	46	48	479
Hebrew	.	.	.	.	Thai	49	45	47	469
Hiligaynon	.	.	.	.	Tibetan	.	.	.	.
Hindi	56	54	53	541	Tigrinya	.	.	.	.
Hungarian	60	59	59	592	Tonga	.	.	.	.
Icelandic	.	.	.	.	Turkish	50	44	47	470
Igbo	55	57	53	549	Turkmen	.	.	.	.
Iloko	.	.	.	.	Twi	.	.	.	.
Indonesian	49	45	49	477	Ukrainian	54	49	51	514
Italian	55	53	56	546	Urdu	55	54	53	542
Japanese	46	46	46	460	Uzbek	51	46	47	480
Javanese	47	45	46	461	Vietnamese	49	46	47	471
Kannada	.	.	.	.	Wolof	.	.	.	.
Kanuri	53	50	53	521	Xhosa	.	.	.	.
Kashmiri	.	.	.	.	Yiddish	.	.	.	.
Kazakh	49	45	47	466	Yoruba	51	49	50	497
Khmer	47	47	47	472	Zulu	54	53	51	528
Kikuyu	.	.	.	.	
Konkani	.	.	.	.	
Korean	51	48	50	497					
Kosraean	.	.	.	.	
Kurdish	45	40	41	422					
Kurukh	.	.	.	.	
Lao	43	40	42	417					
Latvian	59	55	54	559					
Lingala	.	.	.	.	
Lithuanian	56	51	53	535					
Luba-Lulua	.	.	.	.	
Luo	.	.	.	.	
Luxembourgish	.	.	.	.	
Macedonian	55	54	51	534					

¹ Because of the unreliability of statistics based on small samples, means are not reported for some language subgroups.

Table 4. TOEFL ITP Total and Section Score Means¹ — All Examinees Classified by Geographic Region and Native Country²

Geographic Region and Native Country	Section 1 Listening Comprehension	Section 2 Structure and Written Expression	Section 3 Reading Comprehension	Total Scale Mean	Geographic Region and Native Country	Section 1 Listening Comprehension	Section 2 Structure and Written Expression	Section 3 Reading Comprehension	Total Scale Mean
AFRICA					Paraguay	50	48	50	495
Angola	50	50	50	500	Peru	50	48	50	491
Benin	47	46	46	464	Puerto Rico	51	44	46	469
Botswana	48	50	51	497	St. Kitts and Nevis	51	47	49	490
Burkina Faso	47	46	47	466	St. Lucia	*	*	*	*
Burundi	*	*	*	*	St. Vincent and the Grenadines	*	*	*	*
Cameroon	51	49	50	499	Suriname	*	*	*	*
Cape Verde	50	48	48	487	Trinidad and Tobago	47	43	43	445
Central African Republic	*	*	*	*	Uruguay	53	50	54	524
Chad	*	*	*	*	Venezuela	53	49	51	509
Comoros	49	43	45	457	Virgin Islands (British)	*	*	*	*
Congo	47	44	46	458	Virgin Islands (U.S.)	*	*	*	*
Congo - Democratic Republic of	47	43	46	454	ASIA				
Cote d'Ivoire	46	44	46	453	Afghanistan	49	46	45	466
Djibouti	*	*	*	*	Azerbaijan	49	46	49	477
Equatorial Guinea	*	*	*	*	Bangladesh	51	48	49	494
Eritrea	*	*	*	*	Bhutan	*	*	*	*
Ethiopia	49	45	48	476	Cambodia	47	47	47	472
Gabon	47	44	46	457	China, People's Republic of	50	47	48	484
Gambia	*	*	*	*	Hong Kong	53	49	50	510
Ghana	*	*	*	*	India	54	52	52	528
Guinea	*	*	*	*	Indonesia	49	45	49	477
Guinea-Bissau	46	43	43	437	Japan	46	46	46	460
Kenya	55	57	54	553	Kazakhstan	50	45	47	474
Lesotho	44	44	43	438	Korea, Democratic People's Republic of	49	45	47	469
Liberia	*	*	*	*	Korea, Republic of	51	48	50	497
Madagascar	52	51	53	517	Kyrgyzstan	51	48	49	493
Malawi	*	*	*	*	Lao People's Democratic Republic	43	40	42	416
Mali	48	44	45	456	Macao	46	43	43	442
Mauritania	55	54	54	544	Malaysia	54	48	52	513
Mauritius	48	46	45	464	Maldives	*	*	*	*
Morocco	50	50	49	497	Mongolia	51	47	48	486
Mozambique	45	43	44	439	Myanmar	46	47	48	469
Namibia	*	*	*	*	Nepal	53	48	50	504
Niger	*	*	*	*	Pakistan	54	53	53	532
Nigeria	52	51	48	504	Philippines	57	55	50	539
Reunion	*	*	*	*	Singapore	61	58	58	592
Rwanda	52	52	48	505	Sri Lanka	55	51	52	527
Sao Tome and Principe	*	*	*	*	Taiwan (Republic of China)	51	46	47	478
Senegal	46	45	46	455	Tajikistan	*	*	*	*
Seychelles	*	*	*	*	Thailand	49	45	47	470
Sierra Leone	46	47	48	471	Turkmenistan	*	*	*	*
Somalia	52	49	49	501	Uzbekistan	51	47	48	487
South Africa	55	55	52	542	Viet Nam	49	46	47	471
Swaziland	*	*	*	*	EUROPE				
Tanzania, United Republic of	49	48	49	485	Albania	46	43	45	445
Togo	51	51	51	507	Andorra	46	47	46	464
Tunisia	53	52	52	524	Armenia	48	48	48	479
Uganda	50	45	45	466	Austria	46	44	43	443
Zambia	*	*	*	*	Belarus	*	*	*	*
Zimbabwe	*	*	*	*	Belgium	51	49	49	495
AMERICA					Bosnia and Herzegovina	*	*	*	*
Anguilla	42	43	44	427	Bulgaria	58	58	56	571
Antigua and Barbuda	44	43	44	440	Croatia	*	*	*	*
Argentina	56	54	56	555	Cyprus	*	*	*	*
Aruba	48	45	46	461	Czech Republic	55	54	55	548
Bahamas	52	51	53	518	Denmark	*	*	*	*
Belize	*	*	*	*	Estonia	*	*	*	*
Bermuda	48	51	52	506	Faroe Islands	*	*	*	*
Bolivia	54	50	53	521	Finland	*	*	*	*
Brazil	50	47	51	492	France	54	53	55	536
Canada	48	49	49	484	Georgia	55	52	53	531
Cayman Islands	*	*	*	*	Germany	52	50	49	501
Chile	56	52	54	540	Greece	45	44	43	441
Colombia	49	46	50	482	Holy See (Vatican City State)	*	*	*	*
Costa Rica	57	54	55	554	Hungary	60	60	59	596
Cuba	53	51	53	525	Iceland	*	*	*	*
Dominica	*	*	*	*	Ireland	53	49	52	514
Dominican Republic	53	49	49	501	Italy	50	48	49	488
Ecuador	51	48	51	496	Latvia	57	53	53	546
El Salvador	54	50	51	515	Lithuania	56	51	53	535
French Guiana	*	*	*	*	Luxembourg	*	*	*	*
Grenada	*	*	*	*	Macedonia, Former Yugoslav Republic of	55	54	51	531
Guadeloupe	*	*	*	*	Malta	47	43	46	451
Guatemala	55	51	51	523	Moldova, Republic of	52	47	49	495
Guyana	*	*	*	*	Monaco	53	48	50	505
Haiti	51	49	50	499	Netherlands	62	59	59	600
Honduras	53	50	51	514	Norway	47	46	44	457
Jamaica	*	*	*	*	Poland	56	50	52	525
Martinique	*	*	*	*	Portugal	55	51	52	525
Mexico	52	48	51	502	Romania	60	58	57	584
Netherlands Antilles	53	48	52	508					
Nicaragua	55	53	53	537					
Panama	55	51	53	531					

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Table 4 (continued)

Geographic Region and Native Country	Section 1 Listening Comprehension	Section 2 Structure and Written Expression	Section 3 Reading Comprehension	Total Scale Mean	Geographic Region and Native Country	Section 1 Listening Comprehension	Section 2 Structure and Written Expression	Section 3 Reading Comprehension	Total Scale Mean	
Russian Federation	53	49	50	507	PACIFIC REGION	American Samoa	45	44	45	446
Slovakia	57	53	54	544		Australia	49	51	51	505
Slovenia	*	*	*	*		Fiji	*	*	*	*
Spain	54	52	53	527		French Polynesia	*	*	*	*
Sweden	52	48	46	487		Guam	*	*	*	*
Switzerland	57	51	51	529		Kiribati	*	*	*	*
Turkey	50	44	47	470		Marshall Islands	*	*	*	*
Ukraine	55	51	52	526		Micronesia, Federated States of	*	*	*	*
United Kingdom	59	59	56	582		Nauru	*	*	*	*
MIDDLE EAST/NORTH AFRICA						New Caledonia	*	*	*	*
Algeria	49	47	48	484		New Zealand	51	47	48	487
Bahrain	50	44	44	457		Niue	*	*	*	*
Egypt	48	47	48	480		Northern Mariana Islands	*	*	*	*
Gaza Strip	49	47	47	480		Palau	*	*	*	*
Iran, Islamic Republic of	51	47	48	487		Papua New Guinea	47	50	51	496
Iraq	48	44	44	452		Samoa	43	41	39	413
Israel	56	50	52	528	Solomon Islands	*	*	*	*	
Jordan	50	44	45	465	Tonga	*	*	*	*	
Kuwait	49	42	43	447	Tuvalu	44	43	40	422	
Lebanon	50	49	48	491	Vanuatu	*	*	*	*	
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	48	42	43	447						
Oman	50	43	44	458						
Qatar	51	43	44	458						
Saudi Arabia	48	40	41	428						
Sudan	50	45	46	470						
Syrian Arab Republic	51	46	46	475						
United Arab Emirates	48	42	43	446						
West Bank	51	49	48	496						
Yemen	50	47	47	480						

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² Because of changes in region and/or country boundaries, certain countries may have been added or deleted since the previous table was published.

Table 5 TOEFL ITP statistical data have been quite stable over the years, due to the consistently rigorous development standards ETS implements with all its tests. However, score results for test-takers overall may vary slightly from year to year. Therefore, ETS publishes a new percentile ranking table every year, using data from that year.

Table 5. Percentile Ranks for TOEFL ITP Total Score

Total Scale Score	Percentile Rank	Total Scale Score	Percentile Rank	Total Scale Score	Percentile Rank	Total Scale Score	Percentile Rank
677	100	530	75	480	50	430	25
647	99	527	74	477	49	430	24
630	98	527	73	477	48	427	23
620	97	523	72	473	47	423	22
610	96	520	71	473	46	423	21
603	95	520	70	470	45	420	20
597	94	517	69	470	44	417	19
590	93	513	68	467	43	417	18
587	92	513	67	467	42	413	17
580	91	510	66	463	41	410	16
577	90	507	65	460	40	407	15
573	89	507	64	460	39	407	14
570	88	503	63	457	38	403	13
563	87	503	62	457	37	400	12
560	86	500	61	453	36	397	11
557	85	500	60	453	35	393	10
553	84	497	59	450	34	390	9
550	83	493	58	447	33	387	8
550	82	493	57	447	32	383	7
547	81	490	56	443	31	380	6
543	80	490	55	443	30	377	5
540	79	487	54	440	29	370	4
537	78	487	53	437	28	367	3
537	77	483	52	437	27	360	2
533	76	480	51	433	26	350	1
						310	0



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