

Making the VSA and the *College Portrait* Work for You

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Comparing All F-Y Students to a Sample of F-Y Students Taking CAAP at K-State (Fall 2008)

All First-Year Students at K-State			First-Year Students Completing CAAP*		
Gender	N	%	Gender	N	%
Male	1,865	49.6	Male	316	41.8
Female	1,896	50.4	Female	440	58.2
Total	3,761	100.0	Total	756	100.0
Ethnicity	N	%	Ethnicity	N	%
White	3,014	80.1	White	612	81.1
Black	156	4.1	Black	41	5.4
Hispanic	85	2.3	Hispanic	22	2.9
American Indian/Alaskan			American Indian/Alaskan		
Native	25	0.7	Native	5	0.7
Asian/Pacific Island	54	1.4	Asian/Pacific Island	7	1.0
Mexican American	60	1.6	Mexican American	7	1.0
Multi-Racial	52	1.4	Multi-Racial	15	2.0
Unknown	315	8.4	Unknown	47	6.2
Total	3,761	100.0	Total	756	100.0
ACT Composite^	N	%	ACT Composite	N	%
Less than 19	249	8.1	Less than 19	104	16.6
19 - 21	581	18.8	19 - 21	113	18.0
22 - 26	1,335	43.3	22 - 26	177	28.2
27 - 31	763	24.7	27 - 31	168	26.8
32 & Above	159	5.2	32 & Above	66	10.5
Total	3,087	100.0	Total	628	100.0

Notes: ^A total of 3,761 first-time first-year students were enrolled at K-State during Fall 2008.

*A total of 758 first-year students completed the CAAP exam in Fall 2008

Values omitted from sample demographics:

23 non-first-year students completed CAAP (removed for VSA purposes)

2 students had missing data on "gender" and "ethnicity"

ACT Composite scores were not available for 128 students

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Senior CAAP Testing by College

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College	<u>Reading</u>		CAAP Module <u>Critical Thinking</u>		<u>Writing</u>	
	<i>N</i>	%	<i>N</i>	%	<i>N</i>	%
Agriculture	42	20.3	53	22.2	1	0.4
Architecture	1	0.5	0	0.0	0	0.0
Arts & Sciences	46	22.2	44	18.4	0	0.0
Business	85	41.1	29	12.1	40	15.3
Education	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Engineering	0	0.0	0	0.0	167	63.7
Human Ecology	33	15.9	101	42.3	54	20.6
Tech. & Aviation	0	0.0	12	5.0	0	0.0
Total	207	100.0	239	100.0	262	100.0
					Total Tested	708

*Note: The College of Engineering requested that the Writing Module be given to its students to assess their writing abilities for ABET accreditation purposes

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College	<u>Reading</u>		CAAP Module <u>Critical Thinking</u>		<u>Writing</u>	
	<u>Natural Senior</u>		<u>Natural Senior</u>		<u>Natural Senior</u>	
	<i>N</i>	%	<i>N</i>	%	<i>N</i>	%
Agriculture	21	8.2	24	8.5	22	8.7
Architecture	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Arts & Sciences	45	17.5	41	14.6	49	19.4
Business	75	29.2	77	27.4	55	21.7
Education	29	11.3	37	13.2	36	14.2
Engineering	44	17.1	59	21.0	39	15.4
Human Ecology	26	10.1	25	8.9	42	16.6
Tech. & Aviation	17	6.6	18	6.4	10	4.0
Total	257	100.0	281	100.0	253	100.0
					Total Tested	791

*Note: Nearly 1,200 students were tested to achieve K-State's goal of 750 'Natural' Seniors