



Test and Score Data Summary

for the

TOEFL ITP[®] Test

January–December 2013 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 2013.

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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 2013

The tables below contain data from TOEFL ITP (Level 1) administrations in 2013, and the data were collected from test takers worldwide who took the TOEFL ITP (Level 1) test between January and December 2013.

Table 1 gives actual ranges of observed scores for the period from January 2013 through December 2013.

**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 2013.

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	48.7 7.2	46.8 7.6	48.1 7.8	479 68
Female	48.7 6.9	46.4 7.3	47.3 7.2	475 65

*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	46	45	45	452	Luo	*	*	*	*
Akan	*	*	*	*	Macedonian	*	*	*	*
Albanian	44	43	43	433	Madurese	49	46	49	480
Amharic	51	46	46	481	Malagasy	*	*	*	*
Arabic	48	44	44	457	Malay	54	50	52	522
Armenian	49	49	48	489	Malayalam	50	46	48	487
Assamese	46	44	44	446	Maltese	*	*	*	*
Azerbaijani	52	49	47	491	Mandingo	*	*	*	*
Bambara	*	*	*	*	Marathi	*	*	*	*
Bashkir	*	*	*	*	Mende	*	*	*	*
Basque	*	*	*	*	Mongolian	51	46	47	476
Belarusian	*	*	*	*	Mossi	*	*	*	*
Bengali	51	49	49	498	Nepali	51	46	48	484
Berber	49	49	47	484	Norwegian	61	62	59	605
Bikol	*	*	*	*	Nyanja	*	*	*	*
Bosnian	*	*	*	*	Oriya	*	*	*	*
Bulgarian	58	58	57	578	Palauan	*	*	*	*
Burmese	49	45	46	464	Pohnpeian	*	*	*	*
Catalan	51	55	56	538	Polish	56	53	54	544
Cebuano	*	*	*	*	Portuguese	48	46	50	479
Chinese	50	46	47	478	Punjabi	*	*	*	*
Croatian	*	*	*	*	Pushto	50	48	47	482
Czech	56	52	53	535	Romanian	58	55	57	566
Danish	*	*	*	*	Russian	53	50	50	509
Dutch	62	60	59	601	Samoan	*	*	*	*
Dyula	*	*	*	*	Santali	*	*	*	*
Efik	*	*	*	*	Serbian	*	*	*	*
Estonian	*	*	*	*	Shona	*	*	*	*
Ewe	*	*	*	*	Sindhi	*	*	*	*
Farsi	50	48	47	484	Sinhalese	*	*	*	*
Fijian	*	*	*	*	Slovak	*	*	*	*
Finnish	*	*	*	*	Slovenian	*	*	*	*
French	55	54	56	551	Somali	51	48	48	490
Fulah	*	*	*	*	Spanish	52	48	51	503
Ga	*	*	*	*	Sundanese	50	49	48	491
Galician	*	*	*	*	Swahili	56	54	53	544
Georgian	52	52	50	511	Swedish	58	54	53	549
German	58	56	54	561	Tagalog	57	54	51	541
Greek	49	49	49	491	Tajik	*	*	*	*
Guarani	*	*	*	*	Tamil	55	55	54	545
Gujarati	48	48	49	483	Tatar	*	*	*	*
Hausa	49	46	46	469	Telugu	52	50	50	503
Hebrew	*	*	*	*	Thai	50	45	47	473
Hiligaynon	*	*	*	*	Tibetan	*	*	*	*
Hindi	56	56	54	553	Tigrinya	51	47	51	498
Hungarian	55	50	50	513	Tonga	*	*	*	*
Icelandic	*	*	*	*	Turkish	50	45	47	473
Igbo	56	56	53	551	Turkmen	49	45	45	462
Iloko	*	*	*	*	Twi	*	*	*	*
Indonesian	55	50	53	524	Ukrainian	53	50	51	514
Italian	55	53	56	546	Urdu	55	54	52	538
Japanese	46	46	46	458	Uzbek	*	*	*	*
Javanese	45	43	43	438	Vietnamese	50	47	48	483
Kannada	*	*	*	*	Wolof	*	*	*	*
Kanuri	52	51	53	522	Xhosa	*	*	*	*
Kashmiri	*	*	*	*	Yiddish	*	*	*	*
Kazakh	49	47	47	476	Yoruba	53	50	51	515
Khmer	45	47	47	463	Yupik	*	*	*	*
Kikuyu	*	*	*	*	Zulu	*	*	*	*
Kinyarwanda	*	*	*	*					
Konkani	*	*	*	*					
Korean	50	46	49	486					
Kosraean	*	*	*	*					
Kurdish	50	45	46	470					
Kurukh	*	*	*	*					
Lao	*	*	*	*					
Latvian	58	55	54	559					
Lingala	*	*	*	*					
Lithuanian	56	52	50	528					
Luba-Lulua	*	*	*	*					

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					Montserrat	46	43	43	441
Angola	49	49	50	493	Netherlands Antilles	50	46	48	477
Benin	53	51	50	514	Nicaragua	52	47	51	500
Botswana	46	51	52	496	Panama	54	51	52	525
Burkina Faso	51	48	49	493	Paraguay	55	50	53	528
Burundi	*	*	*	*	Peru	50	48	50	492
Cameroon	50	50	49	497	Puerto Rico	49	44	46	464
Cape Verde	*	*	*	*	St. Kitts and Nevis	50	47	49	484
Central African Republic	*	*	*	*	St. Lucia	*	*	*	*
Chad	*	*	*	*	St. Maarten (Dutch Part)	*	*	*	*
Comoros	48	43	44	449	St. Vincent and the Grenadines	*	*	*	*
Congo	*	*	*	*	Suriname	*	*	*	*
Congo - Democratic Republic of	48	47	46	472	Trinidad and Tobago	*	*	*	*
Côte d'Ivoire	49	48	49	487	Turks and Caicos Islands	*	*	*	*
Djibouti	*	*	*	*	Uruguay	*	*	*	*
Equatorial Guinea	50	46	46	475	Venezuela	52	49	51	507
Eritrea	*	*	*	*	Virgin Islands (British)	*	*	*	*
Ethiopia	52	47	48	486	ASIA				
Gabon	*	*	*	*	Afghanistan	50	48	47	482
Gambia	*	*	*	*	Azerbaijan	51	48	47	485
Ghana	52	52	49	512	Bangladesh	51	50	49	498
Guinea	*	*	*	*	Bhutan	*	*	*	*
Guinea-Bissau	50	46	46	471	Brunei Darussalam	*	*	*	*
Kenya	54	53	51	527	Cambodia	48	45	45	457
Lesotho	44	44	44	438	China, People's Republic of	50	46	47	478
Liberia	*	*	*	*	Hong Kong	50	46	47	480
Madagascar	*	*	*	*	India	52	51	50	512
Malawi	*	*	*	*	Indonesia	50	46	48	483
Mali	49	46	47	473	Japan	46	46	46	459
Mauritania	51	47	47	479	Kazakhstan	49	47	47	480
Mauritius	*	*	*	*	Korea, Democratic People's				
Morocco	50	49	49	494	Republic of	50	46	48	480
Mozambique	*	*	*	*	Korea, Republic of	50	46	49	483
Namibia	*	*	*	*	Kyrgyzstan	52	49	48	499
Niger	*	*	*	*	Lao People's Democratic Republic	*	*	*	*
Nigeria	51	51	48	499	Macao	49	47	46	472
Reunion	*	*	*	*	Malaysia	53	48	50	504
Rwanda	53	51	50	517	Maldives	*	*	*	*
Sao Tome and Principe	*	*	*	*	Mongolia	50	45	47	475
Senegal	49	49	48	490	Myanmar	48	46	46	467
Seychelles	*	*	*	*	Nepal	52	48	47	491
Sierra Leone	45	48	48	469	Pakistan	54	52	51	521
Somalia	51	47	47	487	Philippines	52	49	47	492
South Africa	*	*	*	*	Singapore	*	*	*	*
Swaziland	*	*	*	*	Sri Lanka	56	55	55	550
Tanzania, United Republic of	*	*	*	*	Taiwan (Republic of China)	50	45	46	472
Togo	*	*	*	*	Tajikistan	53	48	48	496
Tunisia	51	51	50	506	Thailand	49	45	46	467
Uganda	47	42	42	440	Timor-Leste	*	*	*	*
Zambia	*	*	*	*	Turkmenistan	50	45	45	465
Zimbabwe	*	*	*	*	Uzbekistan	50	46	47	477
AMERICA					Vietnam	50	47	48	484
Anguilla	52	48	48	490	EUROPE				
Antigua and Barbuda	*	*	*	*	Albania	44	43	43	433
Argentina	53	50	51	510	Andorra	48	44	45	457
Aruba	45	41	43	427	Armenia	49	49	48	489
Bahamas	48	43	44	448	Austria	45	42	41	427
Barbados	*	*	*	*	Belarus	55	51	52	530
Belize	*	*	*	*	Belgium	55	52	52	533
Bermuda	46	51	52	497	Bosnia and Herzegovina	*	*	*	*
Bolivia	55	49	52	518	Bulgaria	58	58	57	578
Brazil	48	46	50	479	Croatia	*	*	*	*
Canada	47	48	48	475	Cyprus	*	*	*	*
Cayman Islands	*	*	*	*	Czech Republic	56	52	53	534
Chile	55	51	54	532	Denmark	*	*	*	*
Colombia	50	47	50	489	Estonia	*	*	*	*
Costa Rica	56	55	56	555	Faroe Islands	*	*	*	*
Cuba	53	50	53	520	Finland	*	*	*	*
Curacao	*	*	*	*	France	54	53	56	543
Dominica	*	*	*	*	Georgia	52	51	50	509
Dominican Republic	54	49	50	508	Germany	51	50	49	499
Ecuador	50	48	51	495	Greece	54	50	50	513
El Salvador	54	51	51	520	Greenland	*	*	*	*
Falkland Islands	*	*	*	*	Holy See (Vatican City State)	49	46	47	470
French Guiana	*	*	*	*	Hungary	*	*	*	*
Grenada	*	*	*	*	Iceland	*	*	*	*
Guadeloupe	*	*	*	*	Ireland	53	50	52	517
Guatemala	54	49	51	514	Italy	50	48	49	487
Guyana	*	*	*	*	Kosovo, Republic of	*	*	*	*
Haiti	52	50	51	509	Latvia	58	54	54	554
Honduras	52	47	49	490	Liechtenstein	*	*	*	*
Jamaica	*	*	*	*	Lithuania	56	52	51	530
Martinique	*	*	*	*					
Mexico	52	48	51	503					

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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
Luxembourg	55	52	54	536	Oman	49	44	43	453
Macedonia, Former Yugoslav Republic of	*	*	*	*	Palestinian Territories	51	44	43	460
Malta	53	50	52	516	Qatar	49	42	42	441
Moldova, Republic of	52	49	50	505	Saudi Arabia	47	41	41	430
Monaco	54	50	52	520	Sudan	50	47	46	475
Montenegro	*	*	*	*	Syrian Arab Republic	49	45	45	463
Netherlands	61	59	59	597	United Arab Emirates	48	43	43	450
Norway	50	48	47	482	West Bank	50	47	47	480
Poland	56	52	54	541	Yemen	49	47	46	473
Portugal	51	48	49	497	PACIFIC REGION				
Romania	58	55	57	564	American Samoa	*	*	*	*
Russian Federation	53	50	50	506	Australia	49	51	51	502
San Marino	*	*	*	*	Cook Islands	*	*	*	*
Serbia	*	*	*	*	Fiji	*	*	*	*
Slovakia	*	*	*	*	French Polynesia	*	*	*	*
Slovenia	*	*	*	*	Guam	*	*	*	*
Spain	52	50	51	512	Kiribati	*	*	*	*
Sweden	58	54	53	551	Marshall Islands	*	*	*	*
Switzerland	56	53	54	542	Micronesia, Federated States of	*	*	*	*
Turkey	50	45	47	473	Nauru	*	*	*	*
Ukraine	54	51	52	524	New Caledonia	*	*	*	*
United Kingdom	59	59	56	578	New Zealand	51	46	49	485
MIDDLE EAST/NORTH AFRICA					Niue	*	*	*	*
Algeria	50	48	48	488	Northern Mariana Islands	*	*	*	*
Bahrain	51	46	45	476	Palau	*	*	*	*
Egypt	49	49	48	487	Papua New Guinea	47	51	51	497
Gaza Strip	50	48	47	481	Samoa	*	*	*	*
Iran, Islamic Republic of	51	46	47	480	Solomon Islands	*	*	*	*
Iraq	48	44	45	455	Tonga	*	*	*	*
Israel	47	44	44	449	Tuvalu	*	*	*	*
Jordan	48	44	44	456	Vanuatu	*	*	*	*
Kuwait	47	42	42	438					
Lebanon	50	49	48	490					
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	48	43	44	451					
¹ Because of the unreliability of statistics based on small samples, means are not reported for some native country subgroups. ² Because of changes in region and/or country boundaries, certain countries may have been added or deleted since the previous table was published.									

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