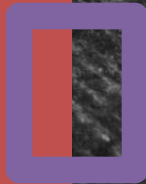




Understanding Your SAT Score

A Quick Guide
for Students &
● Parents



What Is the SAT?

- Standardized college entrance exam.

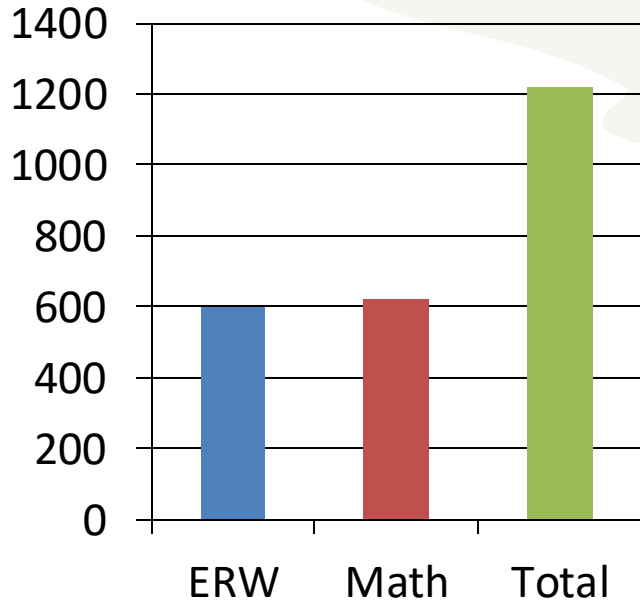
- Measures Evidence-Based Reading & Writing (ERW) and Math.

- Total score range: 400–1600.

SAT Score Breakdown

Section	Score Range
• ERW	200–800
• Math	200–800
• Total	400–1600

Example Score Ranges



What's a "Good" SAT Score?

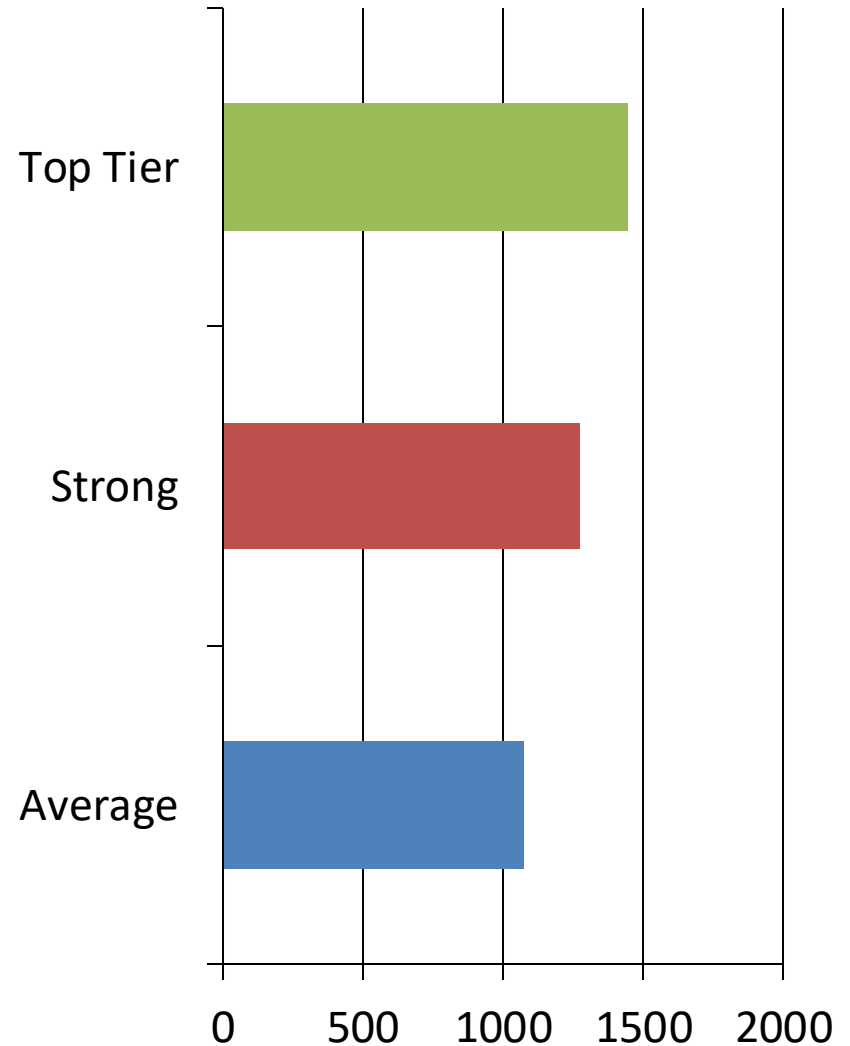
Average Total Score: 1050–1100

Strong Score: 1200–1350

Competitive for Top Colleges:
1400–1600

Good' depends on your college goals.

Typical Score Categories



Understanding Percentiles

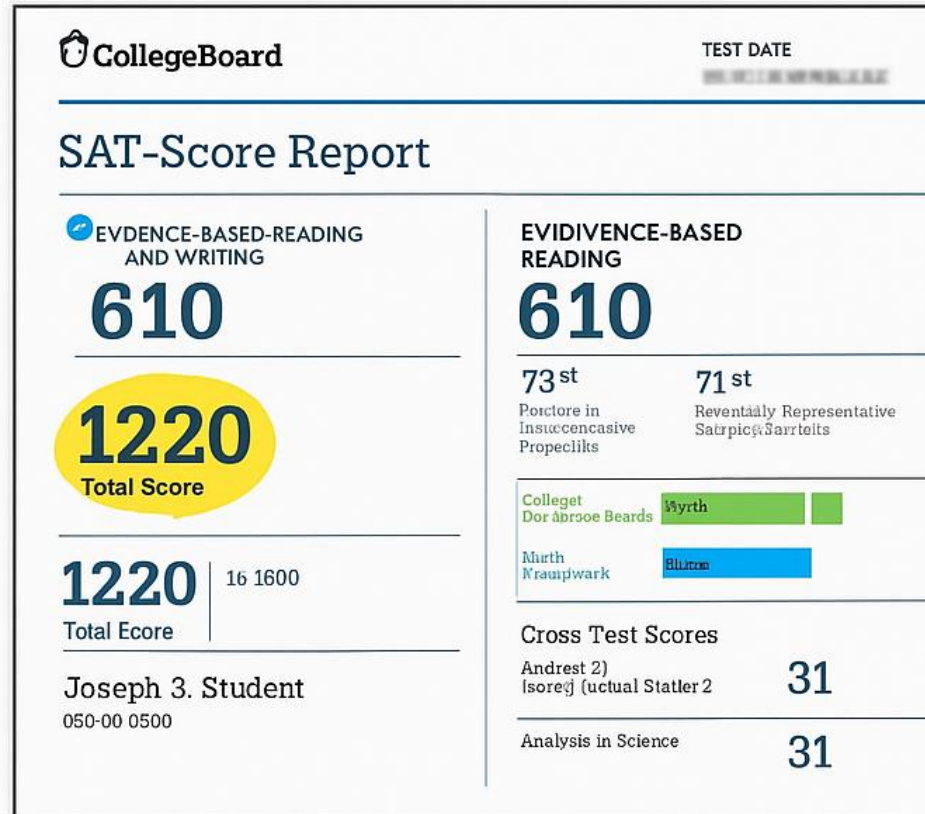
Shows how you compare to other test-takers.

Example: 75th percentile = Scored better than 75% of students.

Helpful for context, not part of your application.

Percentiles – What Do They Mean?

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Subscores & College Readiness

- Cross-test scores: Science, History, etc.

- Benchmarks from College Board:

- ERW: 480

- Math: 530

- Meeting them = College-ready

What Is Superscoring?

- Many colleges accept your best scores from different test dates.

- Example: Best Math + Best ERW = Superscore.

- Improves chances by highlighting your strengths.

How Colleges Use SAT Scores

- Some schools are test-optional.

- For others, SAT is part of holistic review.

- Also consider: GPA, coursework, essays, activities, recommendations.

What Should You Do Next?

- Compare your score to your college goals.

- Decide if retaking the SAT makes sense.

- Explore test-optional schools.

- Use free SAT tools (Khan Academy, BigFuture).