



## Statewide Comparison of FCAT Writing+ Average Scores<sup>1</sup> Grades 4, 8, and 10 1993-2008<sup>2</sup>

### Grade 4

Category/Year	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Writing to Explain	1.7	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.5	3.0	2.9	3.2	3.5	3.3	3.5	3.6	3.7	4.0	3.8	3.8
Writing to Tell a Story	2.3	2.3	2.7	2.8	2.8	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.4	3.5	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.8
Grade 4 Combined	2.0	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.6	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.4	3.4	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.9	3.9 <sup>3</sup>	3.8

### Grade 8

Category/Year	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Writing to Explain	3.2	2.7	3.1	3.7	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.2
Writing to Convince	2.8	2.8	3.0	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.9	4.1	4.2
Grade 8 Combined	3.0	2.7	3.1	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.8	4.0	4.1 <sup>3</sup>	4.2

### Grade 10

Category/Year	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Writing to Explain	NA	2.9	3.3	3.2	3.7	3.6	3.6	3.9	4.0	4.0	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.9	3.8	-
Writing to Convince	NA	2.9	3.2	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.9	4.0	3.8	4.0	3.9
Grade 10 Combined	NA	2.9	3.3	3.3	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.9 <sup>3</sup>	3.9 <sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> FCAT Writing+, formerly FCAT Writing, is also known as Florida Writes! and the Florida Writing Assessment Program (FWAP).

<sup>2</sup> Beginning in 2000, averages are for all curriculum groups combined. Previous averages are for standard curriculum students only.

<sup>3</sup> Combined essay averages include students with overall scores only. Individual essay averages include all students who completed the essay.

<sup>4</sup> Grade 10 students were asked to respond to only one prompt in 2008.