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### Students who took or passed an AP exam in high school, by subject: 2016

(Number and percent)

Subject	Number who took exam	Percentage who passed exam <sup>a</sup>
AP mathematics exam		
Calculus AB	308,215	59.5
Calculus BC	124,931	81.1
Statistics	206,563	60.9
AP science exam		
Biology	238,080	61.1
Chemistry	153,465	53.6
Computer science A	57,937	64.5
Environmental science	149,096	45.6
Physics 1	169,304	39.8
Physics 2	26,385	61.3
Physics C: electricity/ magnetism	23,347	70.5
Physics C: mechanics	53,110	77.4

AP = Advanced Placement.

<sup>a</sup> Students scoring 3, 4, or 5 on a scale of 1–5 for an AP exam were considered to have passed.

**Source(s)**

 The College Board (2016), <https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/digitalServices/pdf/research/2016/Student-Score-Distributions-2016.xls>, accessed 16 March 2017.

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