

YUKON ACHIEVEMENT TESTS (YAT)

Grade 6 Mathematics and English Language Arts

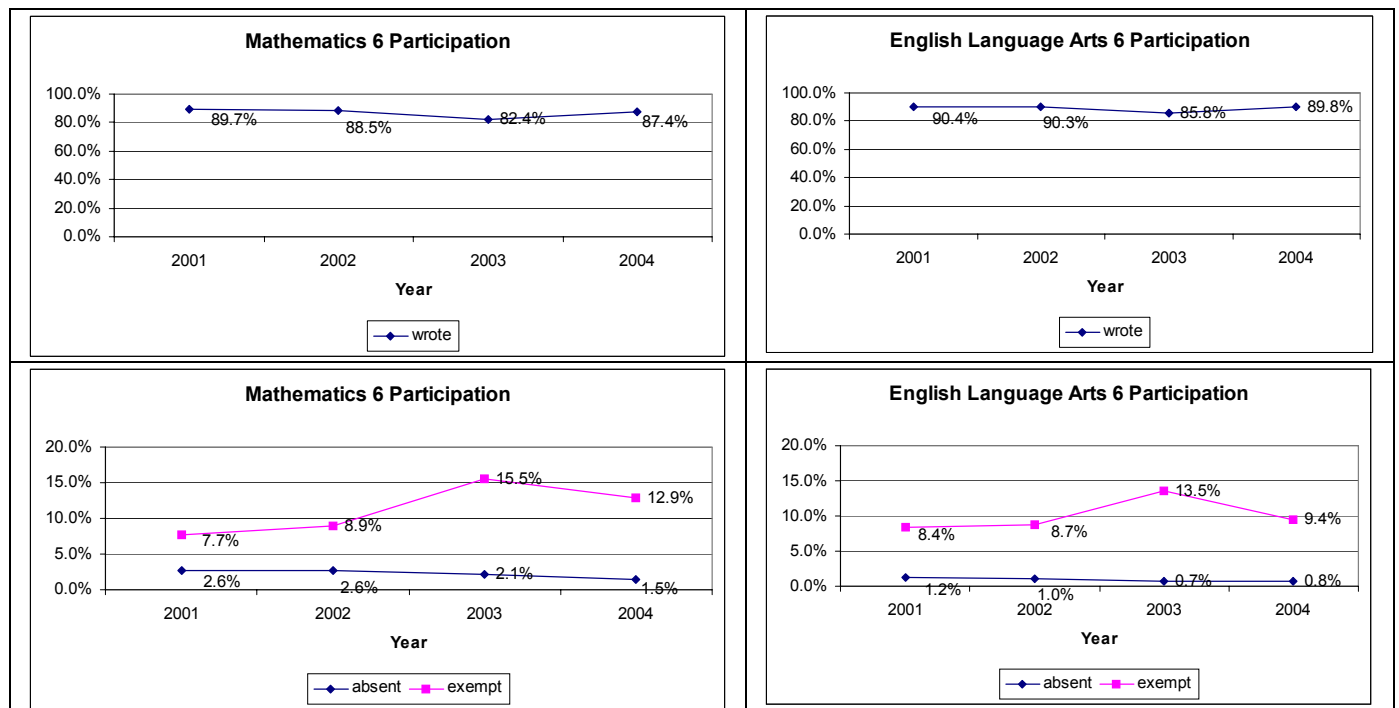
HIGHLITES

Participation:

All grade 6 Yukon students are expected to participate in the YAT testing. A small number of students, who may not benefit from the testing may be exempted by the school.

Math: In grade 6 Mathematics, 325 students, or 87.4%, wrote the test. This participation is up from the 2003 year figure of 82.4%. Yukon participation is below the Alberta rate of 90.7%. The number of Yukon students exempted in 2004 from the Math test has dropped to 12.9%, from 15.5% in 2003.

Language Arts: In grade 6 Language Arts, 361 students, or 89.8%, wrote the test. This participation is higher than the 2003 year, when it stood at 85.8%. Yukon participation is below the Alberta rate of 91%. The number of Yukon students exempted in 2004 from the Language Arts test has dropped to 9.4% from 13.5% in 2003.



Trend Analysis:

Math: In Mathematics 6, the Yukon aggregate average score has increased almost 10%, from 54.8% in 2000 to 63.5% in 2004. The Alberta aggregate average score has remained fairly stable at around 70% for the same period.

Language Arts: In Language Arts 6, the Yukon aggregate average score has continued to increase, from 59.7% in 2000 to 65.7% in 2004. The Alberta aggregate average score has remained fairly constant over the same period at around 68%.

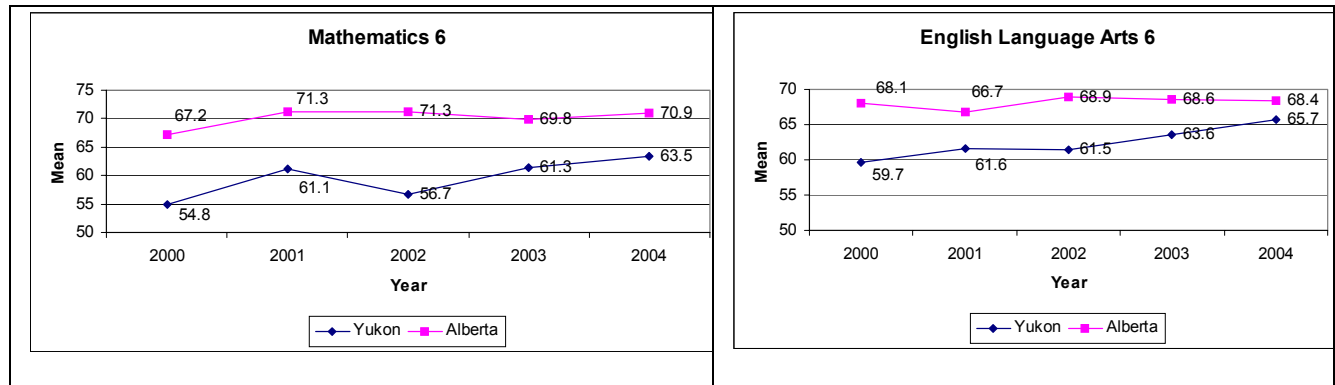
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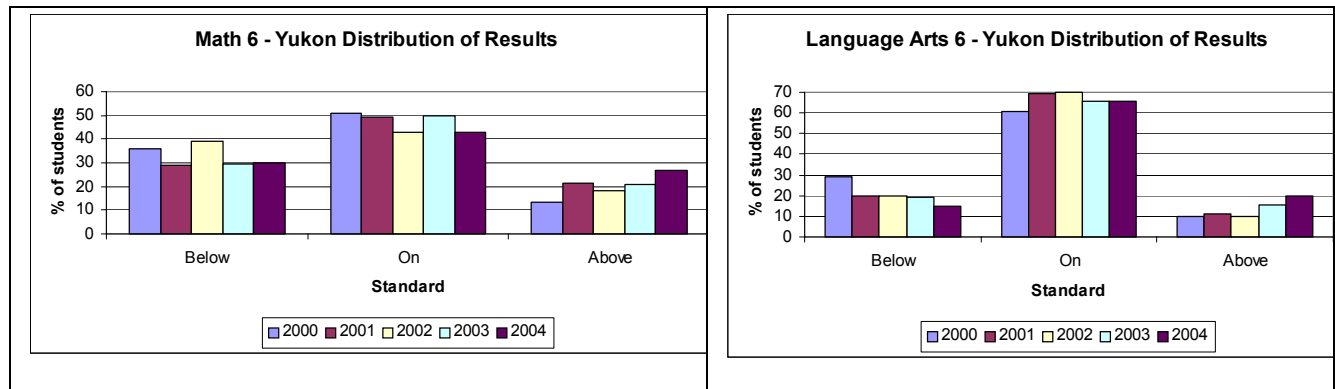
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Comparison of Averages:



Distribution:

YAT results are also reported through the distribution of marks, broken down by achievement standards. These are the standards that were set by the Deputy Minister in 1995 to report the results of our Achievement tests at grade 9, and for the grade 12 BC Provincial Exams. It indicates the percentage of students who achieved each of the levels of below standard (0% to 49%), on standard (50% to 79%), and above standard (80% to 100%).



Alberta distribution of results is not available, as their standards differ from those of the Yukon.

How is YAT reported?

To Department of Education consultants and managers (see attached detail sheets):

- A one page summary for each of the tests administered to Yukon students. This summary provides details for the Yukon as a whole. Results from the previous administration are included for comparative purposes. This information is also summarized in the Department of Education Annual Report (available on-line at www.education.gov.yk.ca.)

To Each School and their Councils

- Each school receives a set of three (3) reports:
 - The first is a school level summary, similar to the Yukon as a whole report but it also provides school level results. Schools are asked to share this information with their Councils.
 - The second is a student listing, reporting all students' results for that particular school.
 - The third is an *Individual Student Profile*, reporting a single student's results. A copy of this last report is placed in the student's permanent record and available for parents to view along with the teacher upon request.

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