

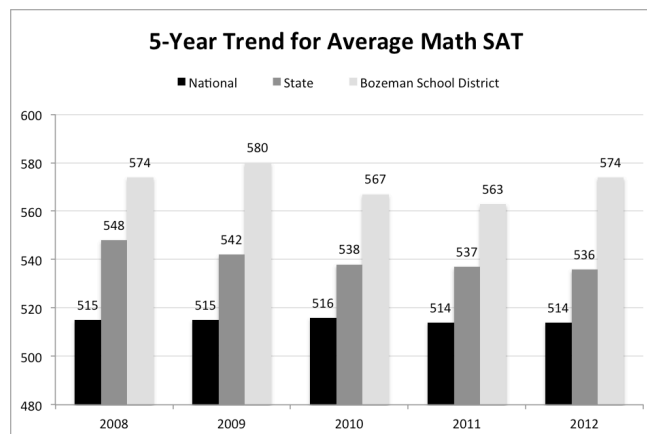
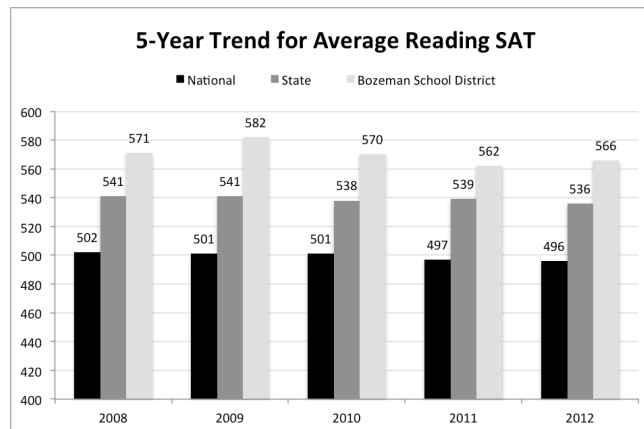


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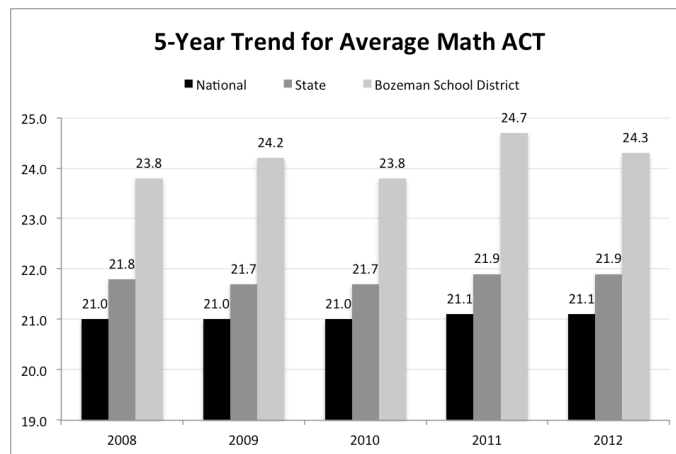
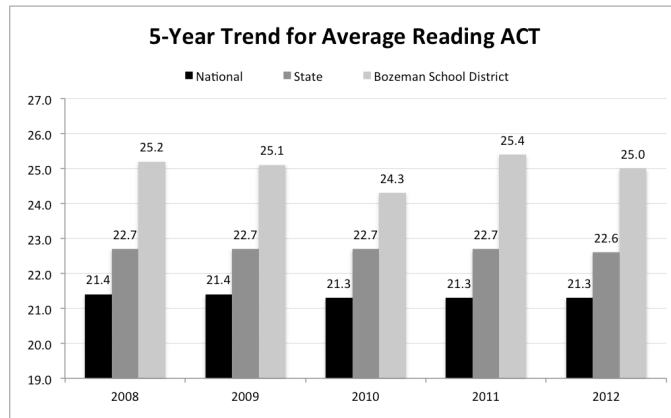
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BOZEMAN HIGH SCHOOL ACT and SAT SCORES
OUTPACE STATE AND NATIONAL TRENDS

Critical reading, mathematics and writing are assessed by the SAT. The average critical reading scores for the graduating class of 2012 are 496 at the national-level, 536 at the state-level, and 566 for Bozeman High School students. The average mathematics scores are 514 at the national-level, 536 at the state-level, and 574 for Bozeman High School students. The average writing scores are 488 at the national-level, 511 at the state-level, and 544 for Bozeman High School students. The average SAT combined scores are 1498 at the national-level, 1583 at the state-level, and 1684 for Bozeman High School students. A minimum combined score of 1550 is recognized to be a predictor of success in college. Bozeman High School students, on average, scored 134 points higher than this research-based benchmark for college success. Five-year trending graphs for reading and math are shown below:



The ACT tests College Readiness Skills in English, mathematics, science, and reading. The average English scores are 20.5 at the national-level, while the average is 21.1 for the state and 23.8 Bozeman High School students. The average score for mathematics is 21.1 at the national-level, 21.9 at the state-level, and 24.3 for Bozeman High School students. The average science scores are 20.9 at the national-level, 22.0 at the state-level, and 24.2 for Bozeman High School students. The average reading scores are 21.3 nationally, 22.6 for the state, and 25.0 for Bozeman High School students. ACT also calculates a composite score for all four subjects. The average composite score is 21.1 nationally, 22.0 for Montana, and 24.5 for Bozeman High School students. This year, all juniors in the state of Montana will be required to take the ACT test. Five-year trending graphs for reading and math are shown below:



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