

School Board Report



Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics Primary Division (Grades 1–3) and Junior Division (Grades 4–6), 2010–2011

Board: Hamilton-Wentworth DSB (66141)

On behalf of EQAO, I am pleased to provide you with this report on the results of the 2010–2011 Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics for the primary and junior divisions. Enclosed you will find student results for both the 2010–2011 school year and previous years, so that you can gauge progress over time. You will also find demographic and attitudinal information about the student population assessed, which will support deeper analysis and provide an important context for these results.

Since the creation of this agency, EQAO data have been a catalyst for improving student learning and achievement at all levels of the education system. From Ontario's classrooms and staff rooms to its school boards and Ministry, educators and education professionals from across the province have become increasingly sophisticated at using EQAO data as an integral part of their continuous improvement efforts.

Within schools, EQAO data are used regularly to guide school improvement initiatives by helping to identify areas of strength and areas needing improvement and by helping to support changes in instructional practices that may be required. The provincial test results can also help schools engage in meaningful discussions about student achievement with their parent community. We all know that parents can and do exert a powerful influence on their children's work habits, behaviour, attitudes toward school and, ultimately, learning and achievement. EQAO is pleased to help strengthen the partnership between home and school by offering a series of resources for parents and educators, available on the agency's Web site, to help school communities engage in the kind of meaningful, data-based dialogue that supports student success.

Of course, EQAO data are only one of the sources of information that should be used to assess student achievement. Provincial testing results should always be considered alongside other school and school board-based information.

At EQAO, we are proud to deliver powerful information that supports Ontario's parents, educators and administrators in their efforts to improve student achievement. I trust that this report will provide you with a valuable set of tools to further support the drive toward excellence in your school community. I am confident that the information in the report will contribute to our shared commitment and purposeful actions toward helping each student reach his or her highest potential.

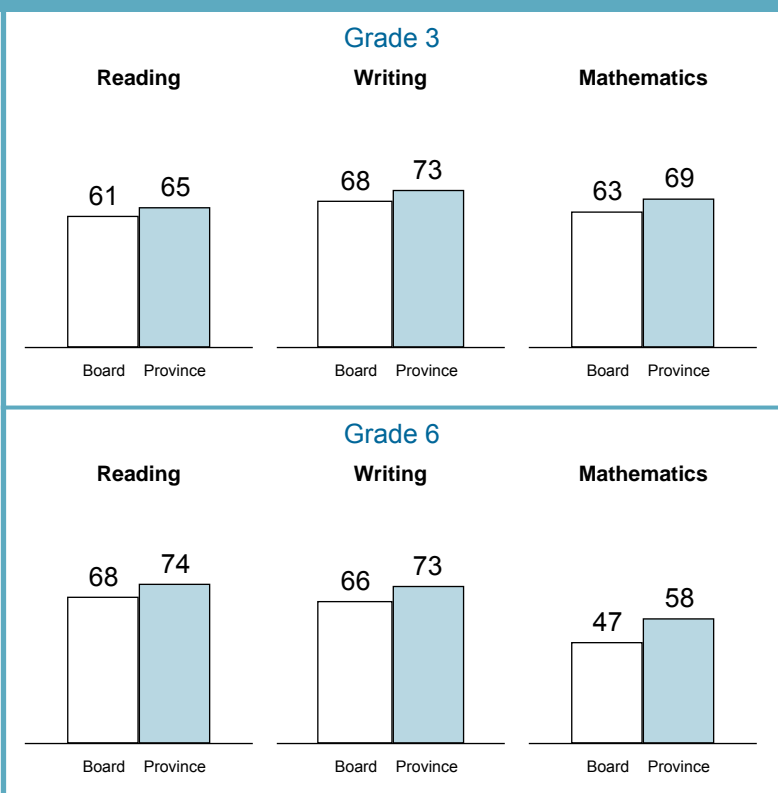
Sincerely,

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Education Quality and Accountability Office

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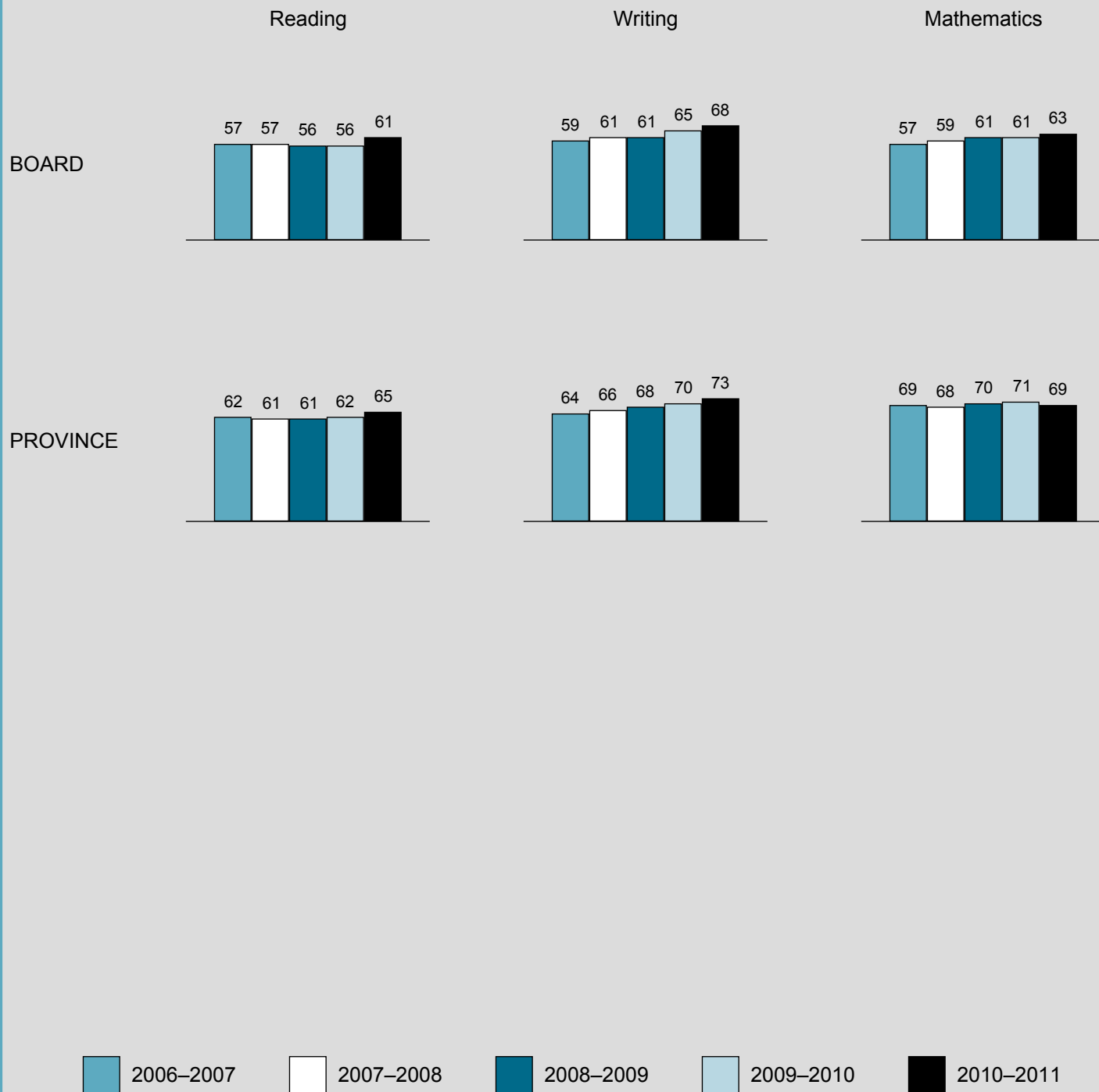
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PERCENTAGE OF ALL STUDENTS AT OR ABOVE THE PROVINCIAL STANDARD (LEVELS 3 AND 4), 2010–2011



RESULTS FOR ALL STUDENTS AT OR ABOVE THE PROVINCIAL STANDARD (LEVELS 3 AND 4) OVER TIME

Percentage of Students: Grade 3

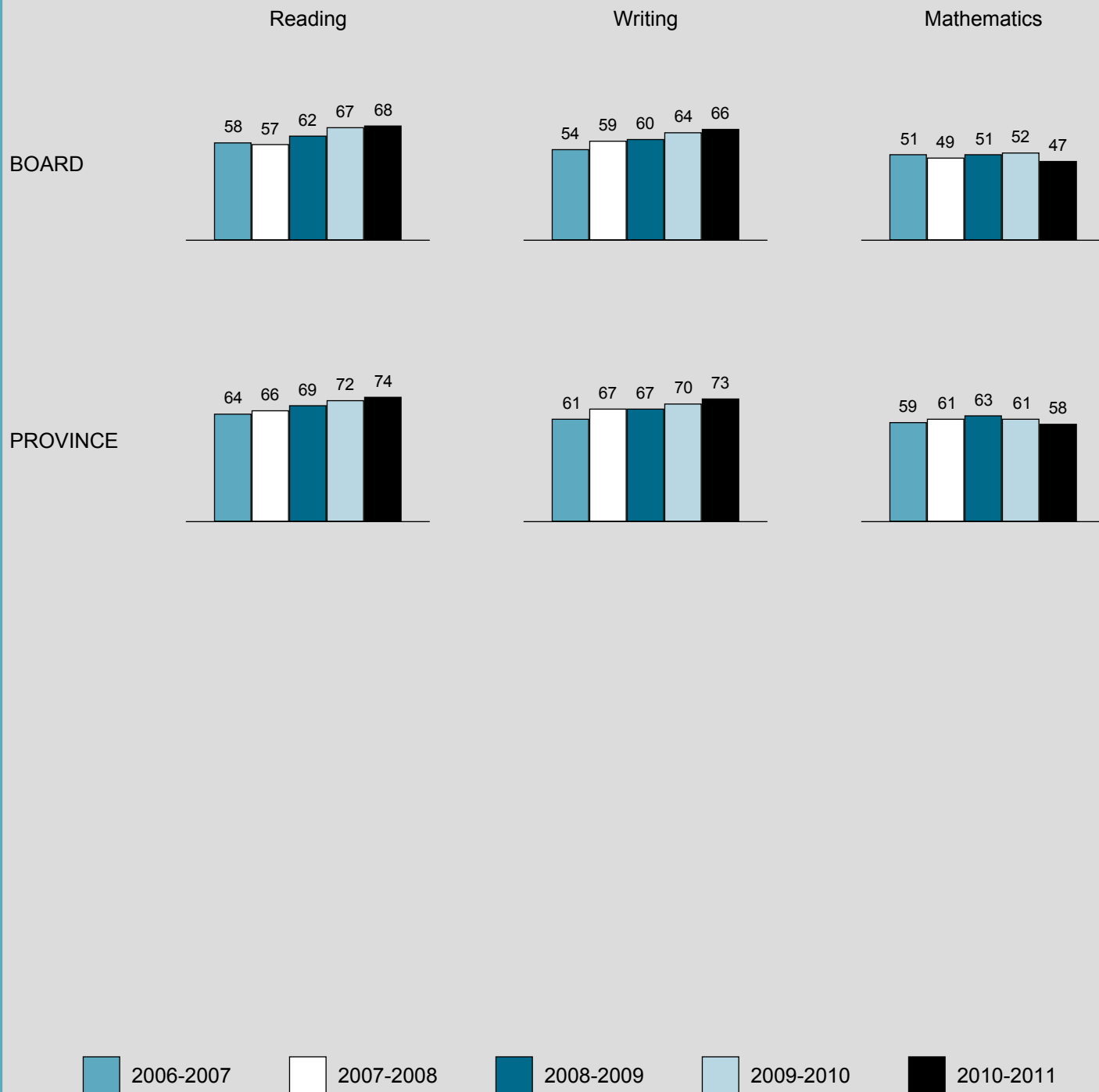


Total Number of Grade 3 Students

	<u>2006-2007</u>	<u>2007-2008</u>	<u>2008-2009</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>	<u>2010-2011</u>
Board	3 686	3 499	3 369	3 475	3 281
Province	131 012	128 660	125 481	127 789	124 117

RESULTS FOR ALL STUDENTS AT OR ABOVE THE PROVINCIAL STANDARD (LEVELS 3 AND 4) OVER TIME

Percentage of Students: Grade 6



Total Number of Grade 6 Students

	<u>2006-2007</u>	<u>2007-2008</u>	<u>2008-2009</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>	<u>2010-2011</u>
Board	3 875	3 806	3 690	3 745	3 559
Province	145 901	140 420	136 076	134 294	132 308