

Content Weights for the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)

CONTENT AREA & DOMAINS	4th	8th	12th
CIVICS			
civics life, politics, and government	21%	8%	5%
foundations of American political system	22%	28%	23%
how does US government embody Am. Democracy	15%	26%	29%
relationship of US to other nations and world affairs	10%	14%	20%
roles of citizens in American democracy	32%	24%	23%
U.S. HISTORY			
change and continuity in American democracy	25%	30%	28%
peoples, cultures, and ideas	32%	32%	26%
economic and technological changes to society, ideas and environment	32%	25%	22%
changing role of American in the world	12%	13%	25%
ARTS			
music	33%	33%	33%
theater	33%	33%	33%
visual arts	33%	33%	33%
READING			
literary experience	51%	29%	23%
information	49%	40%	50%
perform a task	N/A	31%	27%
WRITING			
narrative	40%	35%	25%
informative	35%	35%	35%
persuasive	25%	30%	40%
GEOGRAPHY			
space & place	40%	40%	40%
environment & society	30%	30%	30%
spatial dynamics	30%	30%	30%
ECONOMICS			
market economy	N/A	N/A	45%
national economy	N/A	N/A	40%
international economy	N/A	N/A	15%
SCIENCE			
earth	33%	30%	33%
physical	34%	33%	35%
life	33%	37%	31%
MATHEMATICS			
number properties and operations	42%	24%	18%
measurement	19%	16%	N/A
geometry	16%	21%	33% *
data analysis and probability	11%	14%	19%
algebra	12%	25%	30%

* 12th grade geometry includes measurement.