

Table 1 Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS) 2011  
Reading achievement of Hong Kong and selected countries

Ranking	Country/Region	Avg. Scale Score
<b>1</b>	<b>Hong Kong SAR *</b>	<b>571</b>
2	Russian Federation	568
4	Singapore	567
5	United States	556
7	Chinese Taipei	553
8	England	552
PIRLS Scale Centerpoint		500
36	Indonesia	428

Table 2 Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS) 2011  
Reading achievement of 10 top-performing countries or regions

Ranking	Country/Region	Avg. Scale Score
<b>1</b>	<b>Hong Kong SAR *</b>	<b>571</b>
2	Russian Federation	568
2	Finland	568
3	Singapore	567
4	North Ireland	558
5	United States	556
6	Denmark	554
7	Croatia	553
7	Chinese Taipei	553
8	Ireland	552
8	England	552
PIRLS Scale Centerpoint		500

Table 3 Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS) 2001, 2006& 2011Trend Study:  
Reading achievement of Hong Kong and selected countries

PIRLS 2001

Ranking	Country/Region	Avg. Scale Score
1	Sweden	561
3	England	553
9	United States	542
14	Russian Federation	528
<b>14</b>	<b>Hong Kong SAR *</b>	<b>528</b>
14	Singapore	528
PIRLS Scale Centerpoint		500

PIRLS 2006

Ranking	Country/Region	Avg. Scale Score
1	Russian Federation	565
<b>2</b>	<b>Hong Kong SAR *</b>	<b>564</b>
4	Singapore	558
10	Sweden	549
18	United States	540
19	England	539
22	Chinese Taipei	535
PIRLS Scale Centerpoint		500

PIRLS 2011

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5	United States	556
7	Chinese Taipei	553
8	England	552
12	Sweden	542
PIRLS Scale Centerpoint		500

Table 4 Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS) 2001, 2006 & 2011Trend Study:  
Gender difference in Reading of Hong Kong fourth graders

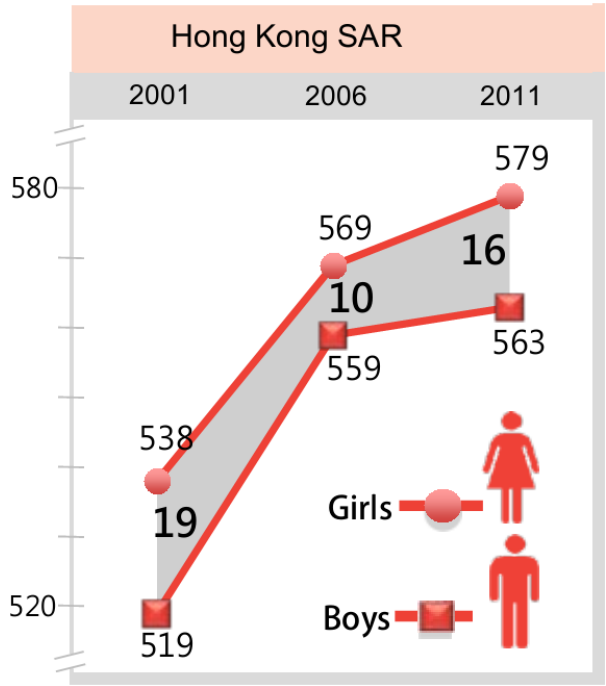


Table 5 Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS) 2011  
Students reach International Benchmark of Reading Achievement in selected countries  
(%)

Country/Region	625 or above	550-624	475-549	400-474	400 or below
Singapore	24	38	25	10	3
Russian Federation	19	44	29	7	1
England	18	36	29	12	5
<b>Hong Kong SAR *</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>
United States	17	39	30	12	2
Chinese Taipei	13	42	32	11	2
International Avg.	8	36	36	15	5

Table 6 Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS) 2006 & 2011 Trend Study:  
Hong Kong Students reach International Benchmark of Reading Achievement (%)

Hong Kong SAR	625 or above	550-624	475-549	400-474	400 or below
PIRLS 2011	18	49	26	6	1
PIRLS 2006	15	47	30	7	2

Table 7 Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS) 2011  
Hong Kong primary schools with school-based reading related programs

Hong Kong SAR	School-based Reading programmes	
Yes	No. of School	130
	Avg. Score	566
No	No. of School	1
	Avg. Score	542
Do not response	No. of School	1
	Avg. Score	~~

Table 8 Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS) 2011  
Hong Kong primary schools emphasis on academic success

Hong Kong SAR		School Emphasis on Academic Success
Very High Emphasis	% of Students	7
	Avg. Score	583
High Emphasis	% of Students	58
	Avg. Score	572
Medium Emphasis	% of Students	36
	Avg. Score	565

Table 9 Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS) 2011

Early literacy activities before beginning Primary School for Hong Kong and selected countries

Country/Region		Often	Sometimes	Never or almost never
Russian Federation	% of Students	61	38	1
	Avg. Score	576	558	~~
Singapore	% of Students	26	69	5
	Avg. Score	595	561	543
Chinese Taipei	% of Students	14	76	10
	Avg. Score	577	553	526
<b>Hong Kong SAR *</b>	<b>% of Students</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>8</b>
	<b>Avg. Score</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>571</b>	<b>560</b>
International Avg.	% of Students	37	60	3
	Avg. Score	529	506	430

Table 10 Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS) 2011

Home Resources for Learning for Hong Kong and selected countries

Country/Region		Many Resources	Some Resources	Few Resources
Russian Federation	% of Students	16	82	3
	Avg. Score	611	562	520
Singapore	% of Students	24	74	2
	Avg. Score	617	559	~~
Chinese Taipei	% of Students	18	76	6
	Avg. Score	591	548	515
<b>Hong Kong SAR *</b>	<b>% of Students</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>8</b>
	<b>Avg. Score</b>	<b>589</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>556</b>
International Avg.	% of Students	18	73	9
	Avg. Score	571	510	448

Table 11 Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS) 2011  
Household monthly income (HK\$)

Hong Kong SAR	Household monthly income	
\$7,000 or below	% of Students	10
	Avg. Score	564
\$7,001- \$14,000	% of Students	31
	Avg. Score	570
\$14,001 - \$21,000	% of Students	8
	Avg. Score	570
\$21,001 - \$28,000	% of Students	10
	Avg. Score	575
\$28,001 - \$35,000	% of Students	9
	Avg. Score	576
\$35,001 or above	% of Students	22
	Avg. Score	579

Table 12 Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS) 2011  
Students with private tuition

Hong Kong SAR	Attending Tutorials	
Yes	% of Students	57
	Avg. Score	564
No	% of Students	38
	Avg. Score	586
Do not response	% of Students	5
	Avg. Score	~~

Table 13 Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS) 2011  
Students with private tuition by Household monthly income

Household monthly income		% of Students
\$7,000 or below	Attend tutorials	51
	Not attend	49
\$7,001- \$14,000	Attend tutorials	55
	Not attend	45
\$14,001 - \$21,000	Attend tutorials	60
	Not attend	40
\$21,001 - \$28,000	Attend tutorials	67
	Not attend	33
\$28,001 - \$35,000	Attend tutorials	65
	Not attend	35
\$35,001 or above	Attend tutorials	63
	Not attend	37