

TacklingPovertyNZ Workshop

Handout One: ICCS civic knowledge scores and distributions

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FIGURE 1: ICCS CIVIC KNOWLEDGE SCORES AND DISTRIBUTIONS

COUNTRY	YEARS OF SCHOOLING	AVERAGE AGE	CIVIC KNOWLEDGE								AVERAGE SCALE SCORE
			200	300	400	500	600	700	800		
Finland	8	14.7									576 (2.4) ▲
Denmark †	8	14.9									576 (3.6) ▲
Korea, Republic of ¹	8	14.7									565 (1.9) ▲
Chinese Taipei	8	14.2									559 (2.4) ▲
Sweden	8	14.8									537 (3.1) ▲
Poland	8	14.9									536 (4.7) ▲
Ireland	8	14.3									534 (4.6) ▲
Switzerland †	8	14.7									531 (3.8) ▲
Liechtenstein	8	14.8									531 (3.3) ▲
Italy	8	13.8									531 (3.3) ▲
Slovak Republic ²	8	14.4									529 (4.5) ▲
Estonia	8	15.0									525 (4.5) ▲
England ‡	9	14.0									519 (4.4) ▲
New Zealand †	9	14.0									517 (5.0) ▲
Slovenia	8	13.7									516 (2.7) ▲
Norway †	8	13.7									515 (3.4) ▲
Belgium (Flemish) †	8	13.9									514 (4.7) ▲
Czech Republic †	8	14.4									510 (2.4) ▲
Russian Federation	8	14.7									506 (3.8) ▲
Lithuania	8	14.7									505 (2.8) ▲
Spain	8	14.1									505 (4.1) ▲
Austria	8	14.4									503 (4.0) ▲
Malta	9	13.9									490 (4.5) ▼
Chile	8	14.2									483 (3.5) ▼
Latvia	8	14.8									482 (4.0) ▼
Greece	8	13.7									476 (4.4) ▼
Luxembourg	8	14.6									473 (2.2) ▼
Bulgaria	8	14.7									466 (5.0) ▼
Colombia	8	14.4									462 (2.9) ▼
Cyprus	8	13.9									453 (2.4) ▼
Mexico	8	14.1									452 (2.8) ▼
Thailand †	8	14.4									452 (3.7) ▼
Guatemala ¹	8	15.5									435 (3.8) ▼
Indonesia	8	14.3									433 (3.4) ▼
Paraguay ¹	9	14.9									424 (3.4) ▼
Dominican Republic	8	14.8									380 (2.4) ▼

COUNTRIES NOT MEETING SAMPLE REQUIREMENTS

Hong Kong SAR	8	14.3									554 (5.7)
Netherlands	8	14.3									494 (7.6)



▲ Achievement significantly higher than ICCS average
▼ Achievement significantly lower than ICCS average

Notes: () Standard errors appear in parentheses.

† Met guidelines for sampling participation rates only after replacement schools were included.

‡ Nearly satisfied guidelines for sample participation only after replacement schools were included.

¹ Country surveyed the same cohort of students but at the beginning of the next school year.

² National Desired Population does not cover all of International Desired Population.

Source: Adapted from Schulz, W., Ainley, J., Fraillon, J., Kerr, D., and Losito, B. (2010). Initial Findings from the IEA International Civic and Citizenship Education Study, Table 8, p.38.