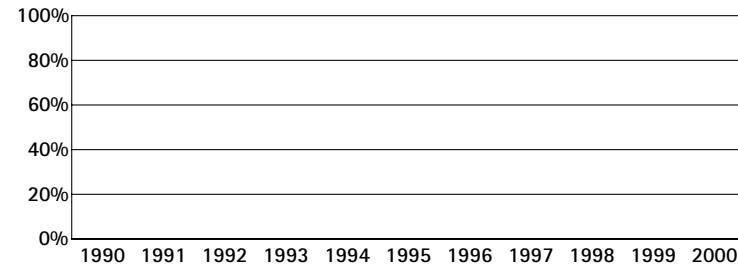


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Percentage of public school 4th graders at or above Proficient on the NAEP mathematics assessment



Mathematics performance will be tested again in 2000.

2. State Comparisons[†]

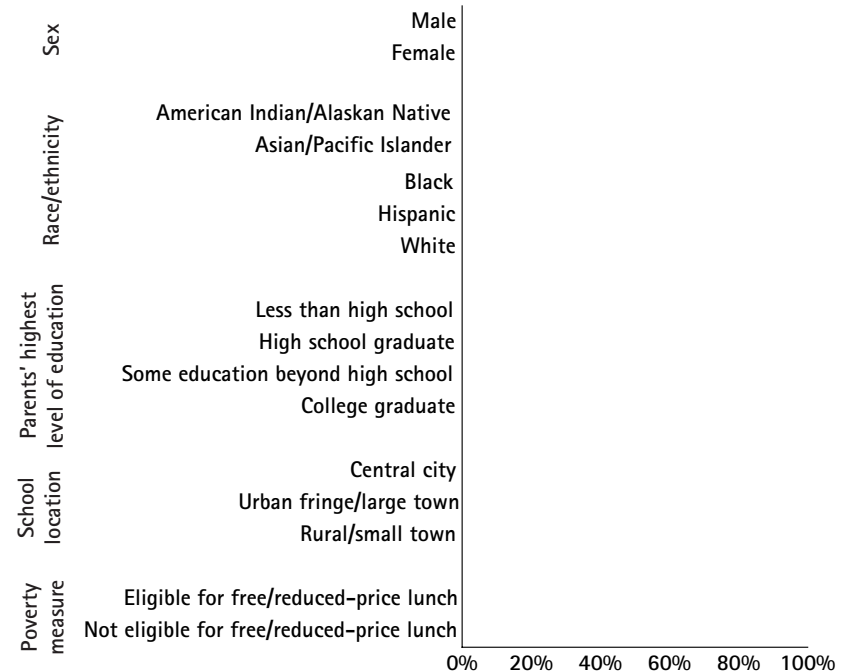
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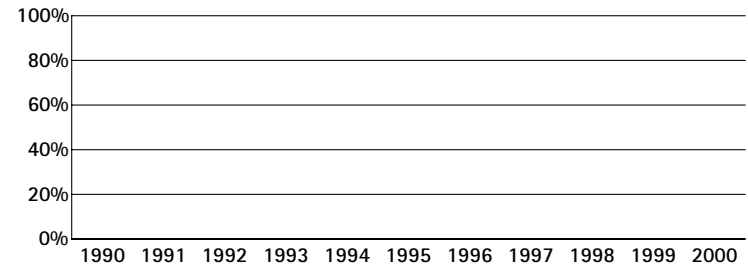
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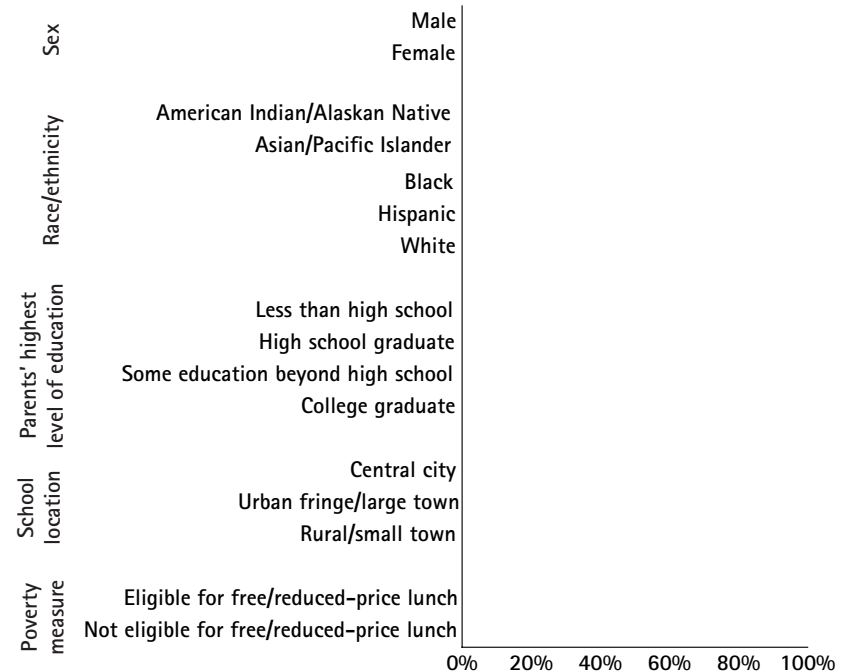
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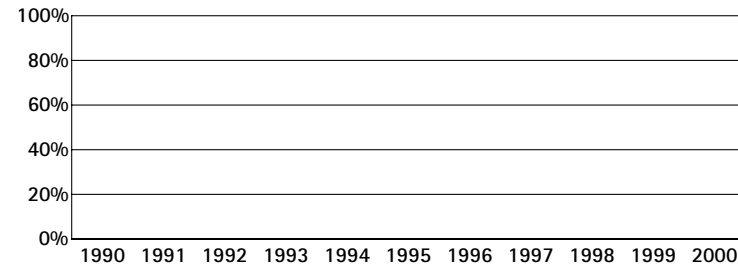
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1. Improvement Over Time

Have the Northern Marianas' 8th graders improved in science achievement?

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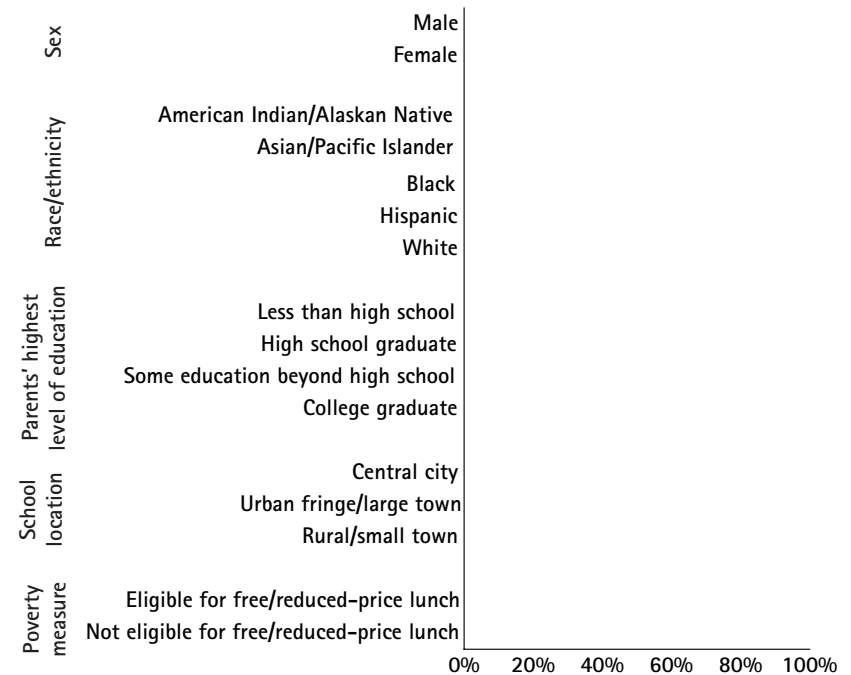
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