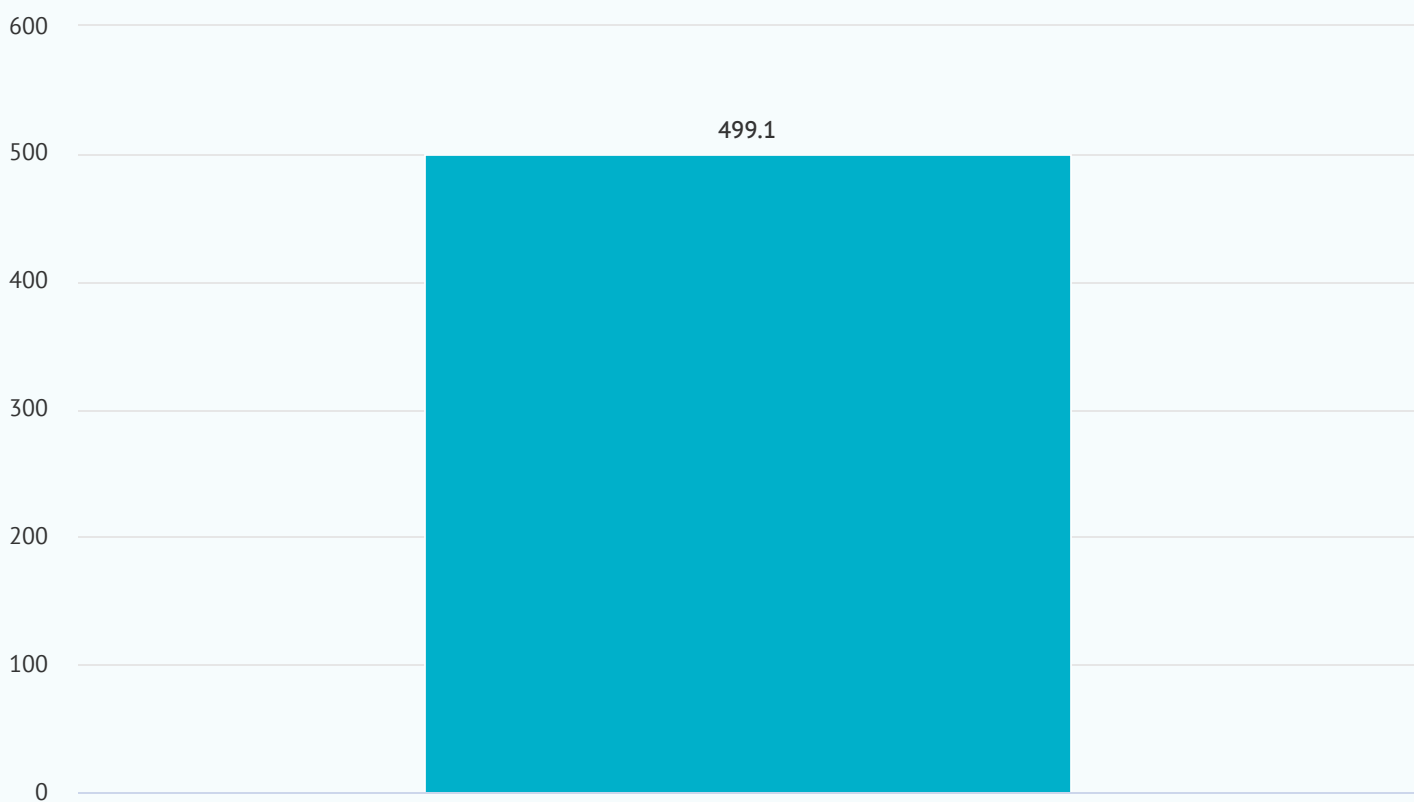


Grade 7 writing performance

The average writing performance for grade seven students in Federated States of Micronesia in 2021 was 499.10 (SD = 65.67).

Figure CWF7.1

Grade 7 writing performance

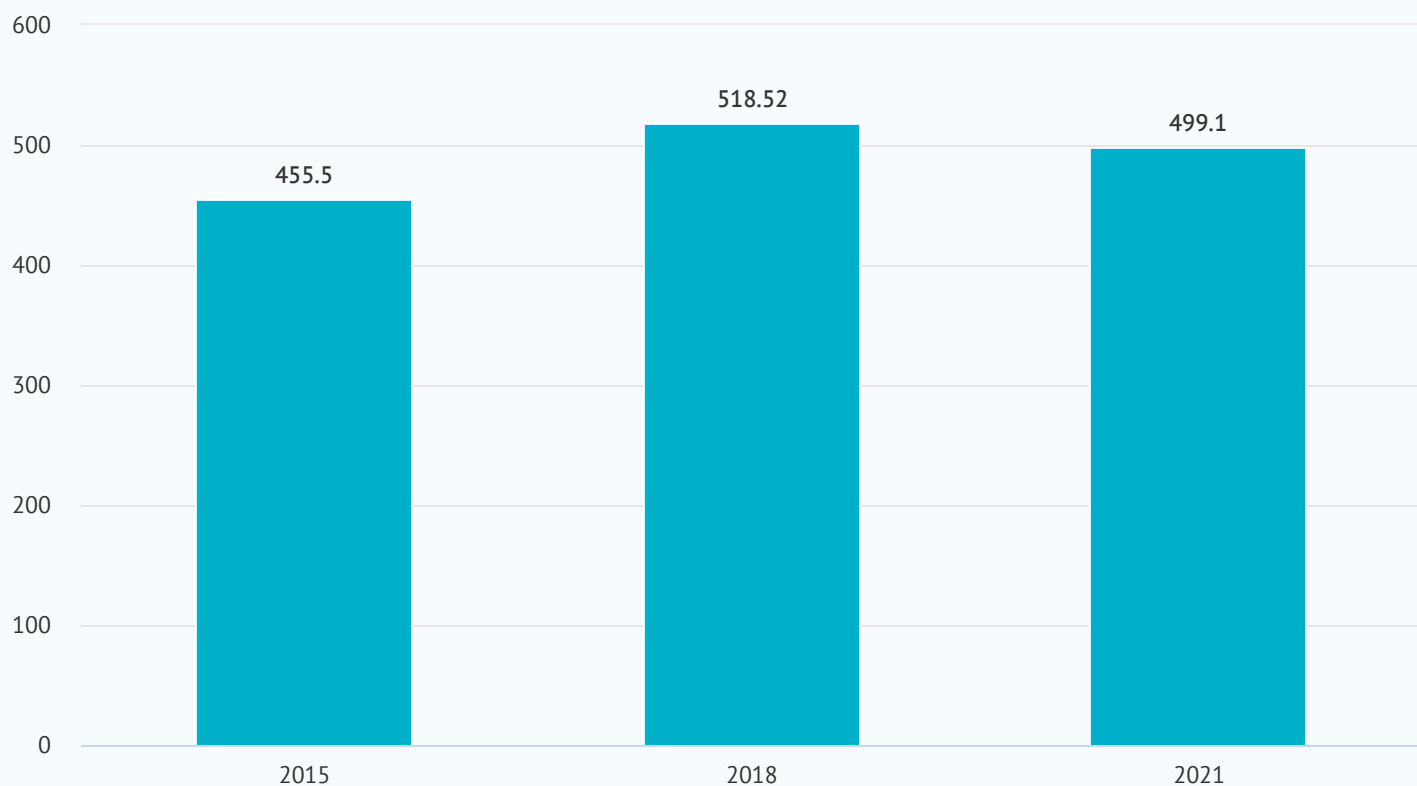


Year	Grade 7 MEAN
2021	499.1

Mean performance of Grade 7 students in writing, FSM, PILNA 2015, 2018 and 2021

Figure CWF7.2

Grade 7 Writing performance over time



Year	Grade 5
2015	455.5
2018	518.52
2021	499.1

Mean performance of Grade 7 students in writing, FSM, PILNA 2015, 2018 and 2021

Figure CWF7.2 shows the average writing scores for this group and for grade seven students in Federated States of Micronesia in previous PILNA cycles. The average writing score in 2021 (499.10, SD = 65.67) was higher than in 2015 (455.50, SD = 89.73) but slightly less than in 2018 (518.52, SD = 85.31). The standard deviation for the average grade seven reading scores in 2021 (65.67) was lower than in 2015 (89.73) and 2018 (85.31). This shows that the spread of writing scores in 2021 was narrower than in previous PILNA cycles.

Standard deviation shows how close data points are to the average. A lower standard deviation means that data points are, overall, closer to the average; a higher standard deviation means that data points are, overall, further away from the average.