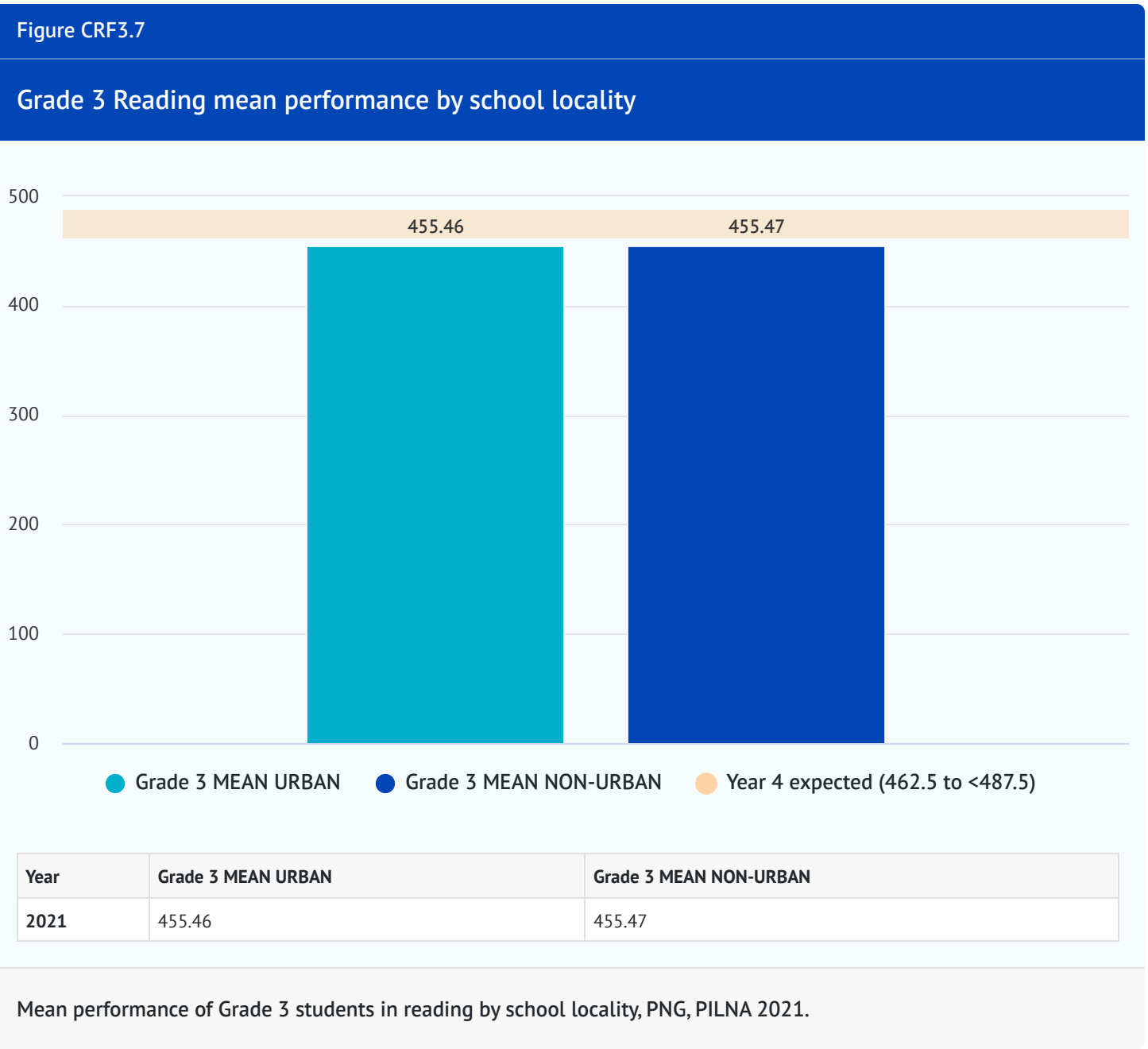


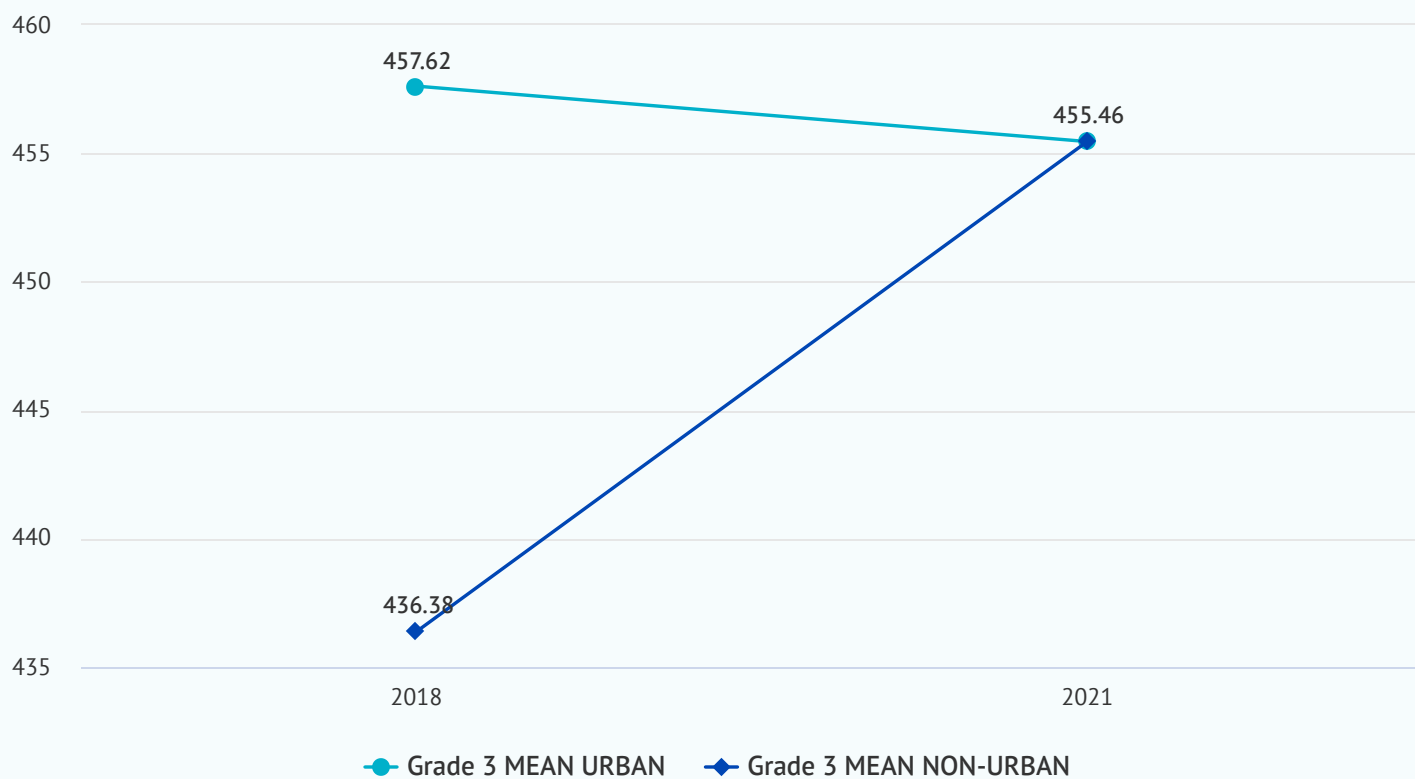
# Grade 3 reading performance by school locality



Over 80% of grade three students are enrolled in schools in non-urban areas. Figure CRF3.7 shows the average performance of grade three students in reading by school locality. Grade three students in urban and non-urban schools achieved similar results in the overall reading domain on average. This marks a change from 2018, when grade three students in urban schools performed better on average than those in non-urban schools. However, average performance in non-urban schools has increased since 2018, making the two localities comparable, see Figure CRF3.8.

Figure CRF3.8

### Grade 3 Reading mean performance by school locality over time



Year	Grade 3 MEAN URBAN	Grade 3 MEAN NON-URBAN
2018	457.62	436.38
2021	455.46	455.47

Mean performance of Grade 3 students in reading by school locality over time, PNG, PILNA 2018 and 2021.