

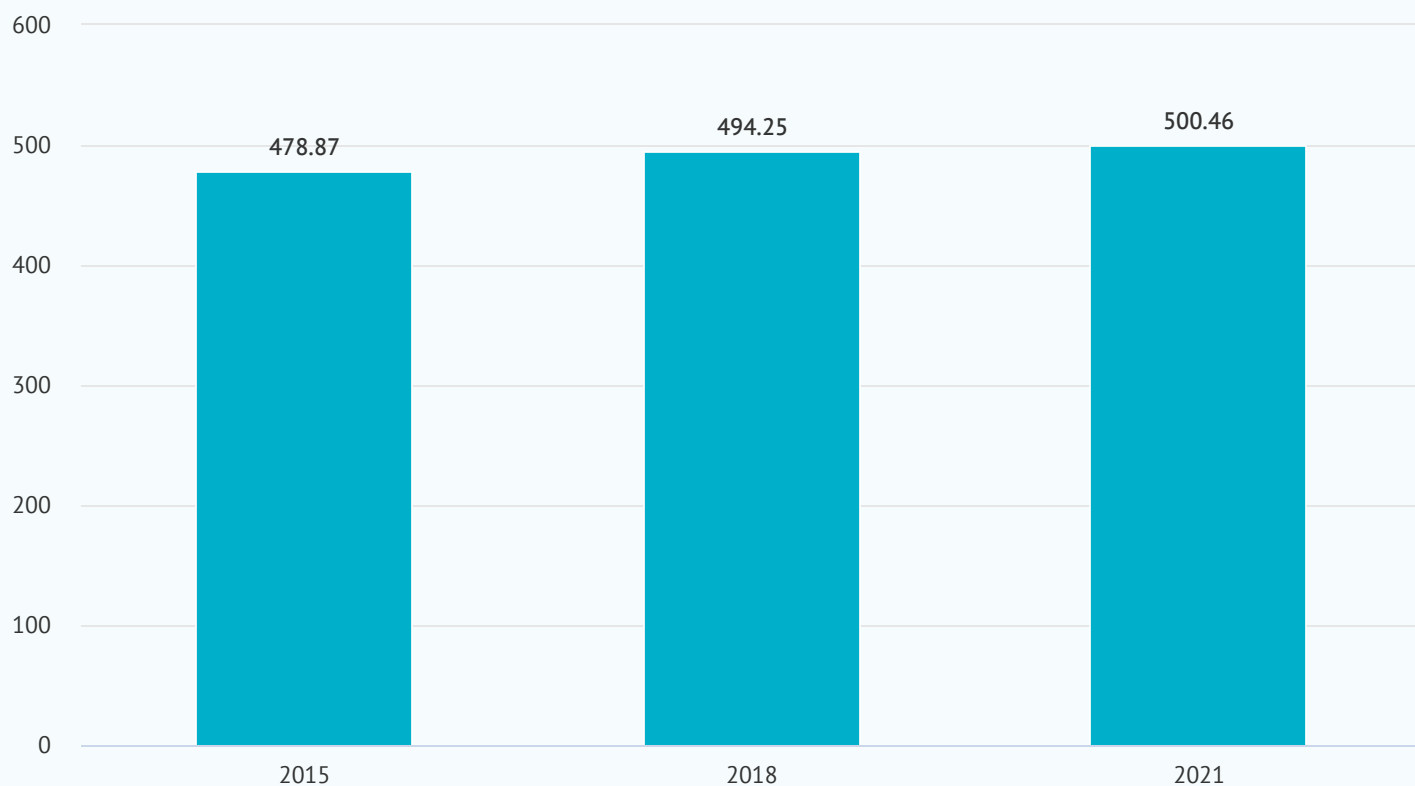
Year 6 writing performance

The average writing performance for year six students in Solomon Islands in 2021 was 500.46 (SD = 42.34).



Figure CWF6.2

Year 6 writing performance over time



Year	Year 6 MEAN
2015	478.87
2018	494.25
2021	500.46

Mean performance of Year 6 students in writing, Solomon Islands, PILNA 2015, 2018 and 2021

Figure CWF6.2 shows the average writing scores for this group and for year six students in Solomon Islands in previous PILNA cycles. The score in 2021 (500.46, SD = 42.34) was higher than in 2015 (478.87, SD = 78.96) and slightly higher than in 2018 (494.25, SD = 88.04). The standard deviation for the scores in 2021 (42.34) was lower than in 2015 (78.96) and 2018 (88.04). This shows that the spread of writing scores in 2021 was much 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.