

Progress Indicator Linked to Refreshed WorkKeys

The Progress Toward the ACT[®] National Career Readiness Certificate[®] (NCRC) indicator provides students who take the ACT with information about their level of career readiness based on their ACT Composite score. More specifically, this indicator provides an estimate of students' likely achievement level for the ACT WorkKeys[®] NCRC, a credential that certifies foundational skills important for job success across a broad range of industries and occupations. Scores on the WorkKeys assessments determine the certification level – no certificate, Bronze, Silver, Gold, or Platinum – an individual can achieve for the ACT NCRC. Achieving a higher certification level indicates that the examinee would be qualified for a larger portion of the nearly 20,000 job profiles included in the ACT JobPro[®] database.

In summer 2018, the Progress Toward the ACT NCRC indicator was updated so that it corresponds to the certification level that is likely to be obtained on the refreshed WorkKeys NCRC assessments released in 2017. Based on the most recent ACT/WorkKeys linking study, students who earn an ACT Composite score of:

- < 13 are unlikely to obtain an ACT NCRC
- 13 to 16 are most likely to obtain a Bronze NCRC
- 17 to 21 are most likely to obtain a Silver NCRC
- 22 to 26 are most likely to obtain a Gold NCRC
- 27 to 36 are most likely to obtain a Platinum NCRC

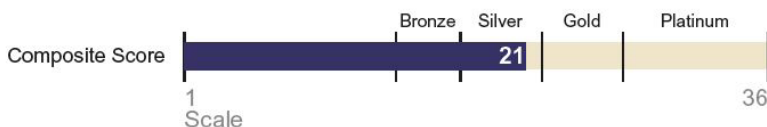
These new cut scores and an indicator for the Platinum level were first included on ACT score

reports in fall 2018. Note that the minimum cut scores for obtaining a Gold or Platinum NCRC are lower than those reported prior to fall 2018. As a result of these changes, a larger percentage of students will be identified as likely to obtain the Gold or Platinum NCRC. For more information about these updates, visit the [full report](#).

It is important to keep in mind that the Progress Toward the ACT NCRC indicator is not a substitute for an actual NCRC obtained by taking the WorkKeys assessments; instead, it serves to encourage students to reflect upon and possibly develop the knowledge and skills needed for career readiness and workplace success.

Progress Toward the ACT National Career Readiness Certificate[®]

This indicator provides an estimate of the ACT National Career Readiness Certificate (ACT NCRC[®]) that students with your ACT Composite score are likely to obtain. The ACT NCRC is an assessment-based credential that documents foundational work skills important for job success across industries and occupations. Visit www.act.org/NCRC-indicator to learn more.



Students with your ACT Composite score are likely to obtain a Silver level on the ACT NCRC.

Extracted from ACT score report.

¹More information about the WorkKeys NCRC can be found at <http://workforce.act.org/credential>.

²A refresh of the WorkKeys assessments was necessary to ensure the ongoing relevance and content alignment to the skill requirements of today's jobs.

³This corresponds to an increased percentage of examinees obtaining these levels on the refreshed WorkKeys assessments.