# College Student English Proficiency Test (CSEPT): The 2011 Test Report

The College Student English Proficiency Test (CSEPT), developed and administered by the LTTC, has been used as a tool for evaluating the effects of English teaching, assessing learning achievement, placing students, and serving as a graduation requirement. A number of colleges and universities, such as National Kaohsiung Normal University, Wenzao Ursuline College of Languages, and Southern Taiwan University, recognize and use the test for one or more of the above-mentioned purposes.

In 2011, 98% of Level 1 test takers were four-year college and university students in various disciplines (see Figure 1), and their average age was 20. The male-female ratio of the test takers was approximately 1:1 (see Figure 2). Level 1 test takers scored an average of 65.09 and 66.60 on the Listening and General Test (an integrated test of vocabulary, usage, and reading comprehension), respectively (see Table 1).

With regard to Level 2 test takers, 93% of them were four-year and five-year college students with an average age of 20, and most of them were foreign language majors (see Figure 3). The male-female ratio of the test takers was approximately 1:5 (see Figure 4). Level 2 test takers scored an average of 74.48, 73.44, and 67.45 on the Listening, Usage, and Reading tests, respectively (see Table 2).

Figure 1

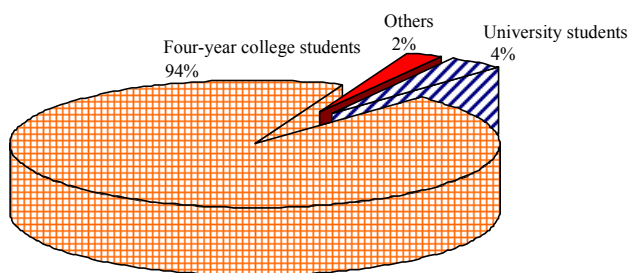Test Taker Distribution by School System: Level 1
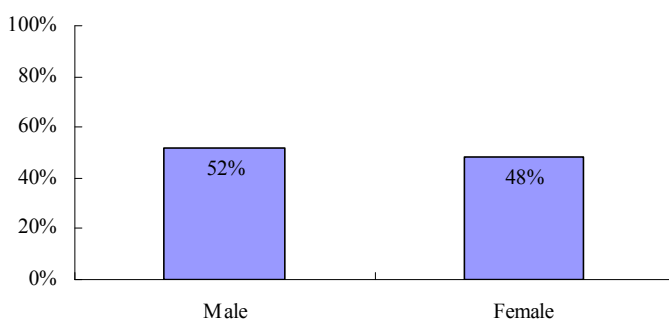


Figure 2.

Test Taker Distribution by Gender: Level 1



Table 1

*Descriptive Test Score Statistics: Level 1*

|  | Listening Test | General Test | Total Score |
|---|---|---|---|
| No. of items | 25 | 60 |  |
| Mean | 65.09 | 66.60 | 131.68 |
| SD | 23.19 | 21.32 | 41.36 |
| Maximum score | 120 | 120 | 240 |

Figure 3

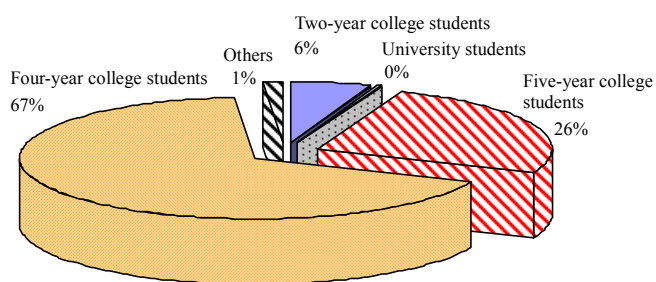Test Taker Distribution by School System: Level 2
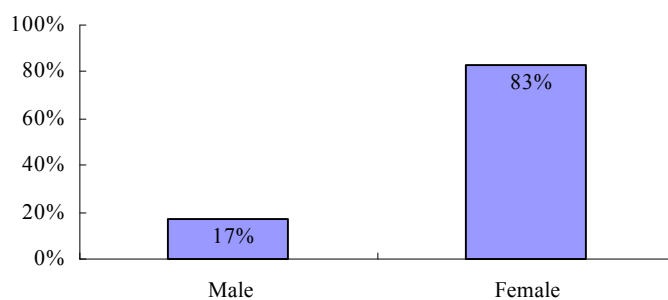


Figure 4

Test Taker Distribution by Gender: Level 2



Table 2

*Descriptive Test Score Statistics: Level 2*

|  | Listening Test | Usage Test | Reading Test | Total Score |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| No. of items | 30 | 50 | 30 | |
| Mean | 74.48 | 73.44 | 67.45 | 215.37 |
| SD | 21.32 | 18.47 | 21.20 | 54.69 |
| Maximum score | 120 | 120 | 120 | 356 |