

Comparing MAT to GRE® Scores 2016–17

The many graduate schools and programs that accept either *Miller Analogies Test* (MAT) or *Graduate Record Examinations*[®] (GRE) General Test scores as part of their admission requirements may find it useful to be able to compare scores from these two tests. One way to make these comparisons is by simply displaying side-by-side scaled score to percentile rank relationships for the MAT and the GRE. The reasonableness of this comparison is based on the assumption that candidates taking both the MAT and the GRE General Test are from the same pool of graduate school applicants.

The scaled score to percentile information shown in the table below is based on current normative data published in the 2017 edition of the *MAT Technical Manual* and the 2016–17 edition of the *GRE Guide to the Use of Scores* (Educational Testing Service, 2016). The analogy content included on the MAT is more similar to the content on the GRE Verbal Reasoning subtest than to the content on either the Quantitative Reasoning or the Analytical Writing subtest. For this reason, the table provides score comparisons only for the MAT Total Group (scaled score range = 200–600; mean = 397.6; standard deviation = 22.4) and the GRE Verbal Reasoning subtest (scaled score range = 130–170; mean = 150.22; standard deviation = 8.45).

Due to limitations inherent in any method used to determine scaled score comparisons from two different tests, the scores cannot be assumed to be perfectly equivalent or interchangeable. One limitation relates to differences in item formats included on the two tests, with the MAT composed entirely of analogy items and the GRE Verbal Reasoning subtest consisting of reading comprehension, text completion, and sentence equivalence items. Another limitation relates to content, with the MAT including a few analogy items with numerals or other math symbols and the GRE Verbal Reasoning subtest containing only verbal items. Nevertheless, both assessments are intended to assess candidates' ability to comprehend, analyze, evaluate, and make inferences from concepts represented as text. The score comparisons displayed here can thus be useful in comparing a score earned on one test with a score earned on the other, which may be helpful in assessing candidates applying to a graduate program.

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MAT Total Group to GRE Verbal Reasoning (VR) Scaled Score and Percentile Rank Comparisons

| Percentile rank | Scaled scores | | | Percentile | Scale | ed scores | | Percentile | Scaled scores | |
|--------------------|---------------|---------|----------|------------|-------|-----------|---|------------|---------------|---------|
| | MAT | GRE: VR | | rank | MAT | GRE: VR | | rank | MAT | GRE: VR |
| 1 | 200–356 | 131–133 | | 36 | 388 | _ | | 71 | _ | _ |
| 2 | 357–359 | 134 | | 37 | _ | _ | | 72 | 409 | 156 |
| 3 | 360–361 | 135 | | 38 | 389 | 148 | | 73 | 410 | _ |
| 4 | 362–363 | 136 | | 39 | _ | _ | | 74 | 411 | _ |
| 5 | 364 | _ | | 40 | 390 | _ | | 75 | _ | 157 |
| 6 | 365–366 | 137 | • | 41 | 391 | _ | • | 76 | 412 | _ |
| 7 | 367 | 138 | | 42 | _ | 149 | | 77 | 413 | _ |
| 8 | 368 | _ | | 43 | 392 | _ | | 78 | 414 | _ |
| 9 | 369 | 139 | | 44 | _ | _ | | 79 | 415 | _ |
| 10 | 370 | _ | | 45 | 393 | _ | | 80 | 416 | 158 |
| 11 | 371 | 140 | <u>.</u> | 46 | _ | _ | • | 81 | 417 | _ |
| 12 | 372 | _ | | 47 | 394 | 150 | | 82 | 418 | 159 |
| 13 | 373 | _ | | 48 | _ | _ | | 83 | 419 | _ |
| 14 | 374 | 141 | | 49 | 395 | _ | | 84 | 420 | _ |
| 15 | 375 | _ | | 50 | 396 | _ | | 85 | 421 | 160 |
| 16 | _ | _ | <u>.</u> | 51 | _ | 151 | • | 86 | 422 | _ |
| 17 | 376 | 142 | | 52 | 397 | _ | | 87 | 423 | _ |
| 18 | 377 | _ | | 53 | _ | _ | | 88 | 424–425 | 161 |
| 19 | _ | 143 | | 54 | 398 | _ | | 89 | 426 | _ |
| 20 | 378 | _ | | 55 | _ | 152 | | 90 | 427–428 | 162 |
| 21 | 379 | _ | • | 56 | 399 | _ | | 91 | 429 | _ |
| 22 | _ | _ | | 57 | 400 | _ | | 92 | 430-431 | 163 |
| 23 | 380 | 144 | | 58 | _ | _ | | 93 | 432–433 | _ |
| 24 | 381 | _ | | 59 | 401 | _ | | 94 | 434–435 | 164 |
| 25 | _ | _ | | 60 | _ | 153 | | 95 | 436-438 | 165 |
| 26 | 382 | 145 | | 61 | 402 | _ | | 96 | 439-442 | _ |
| 27 | _ | _ | | 62 | 403 | _ | | 97 | 443-446 | 166 |
| 28 | 383 | _ | | 63 | _ | _ | | 98 | 447-451 | 167–168 |
| 29 | 384 | _ | | 64 | 404 | 154 | | 99 | 452-600 | 169–170 |
| 30 | _ | 146 | | 65 | | | | | | |
| 31 | 385 | _ | | 66 | 405 | _ | | | | |
| 32 | _ | _ | | 67 | 406 | _ | | | | |
| 33 | 386 | _ | | 68 | _ | 155 | | | | |
| 34 | 387 | 147 | | 69 | 407 | _ | | | | |
| 35 | _ | _ | | 70 | 408 | _ | | | | |