SAT and ACT Results

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Understanding the SAT and ACT

SAT (Scholastic Assessment Test) and

ACT (American College Testing)

- Standardized exams used primarily for college admissions in the United States.
- Assess a student's readiness for college by measuring core academic skills.
- Colleges and universities use these scores—alongside high school GPA, extracurriculars, and other factors—to evaluate applicants in a consistent way.
- While not the only criteria for admission, strong SAT or ACT scores can qualify students for scholarships and help determine placement in college courses.

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Timing and Pace:

- **SAT** gives students a bit more time per question.
- **ACT** moves faster, which may be better for students who work quickly.

Scoring:

- **SAT** scores range from **400 to 1600**.
- **ACT** scores range from **1 to 36**.

Some students opt to take both and also take the tests multiple times.

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The COVID-19 Pandemic

- **Many colleges went test-optional**, meaning students can choose whether or not to submit SAT or ACT scores.
- This accounts for dips in test takers locally and nationally.

Required Scores

- Some schools require scores for **specific programs or scholarships**, even if they're test-optional for general admission.
- **Some universities are reinstating test requirements**, especially large **public universities**, and **several Ivy League schools.**

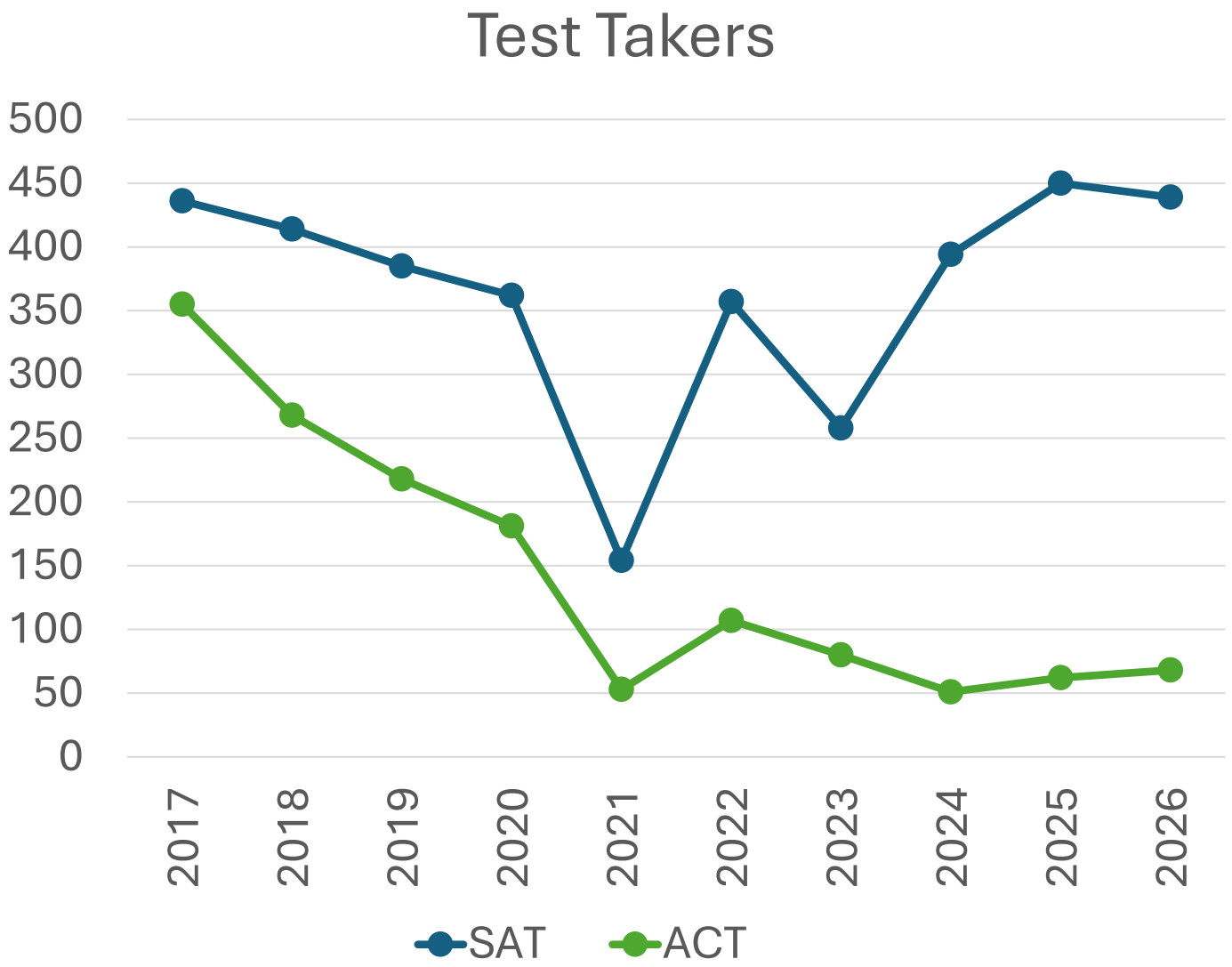
Students Taking the Test- SAT

School Year	BCSS Test Takers	State Test Takers
2018	414	65,788
2019	385	49,344
2020	362	43,074
2021	154	26,245
2022	357	42,865
2023	258	38,401
2024	394	60,646
2025	450	65,771
2026	439	70,862

Students Taking the Test- ACT

School Year	BCSS Test Takers	State Test Takers
2018	268	45,081
2019	281	53,036
2020	246	45,913
2021	90	29,202
2022	126	35,284
2023	106	34,474
2024	80	33,225
2025	62	30,325
2026	68	28,889

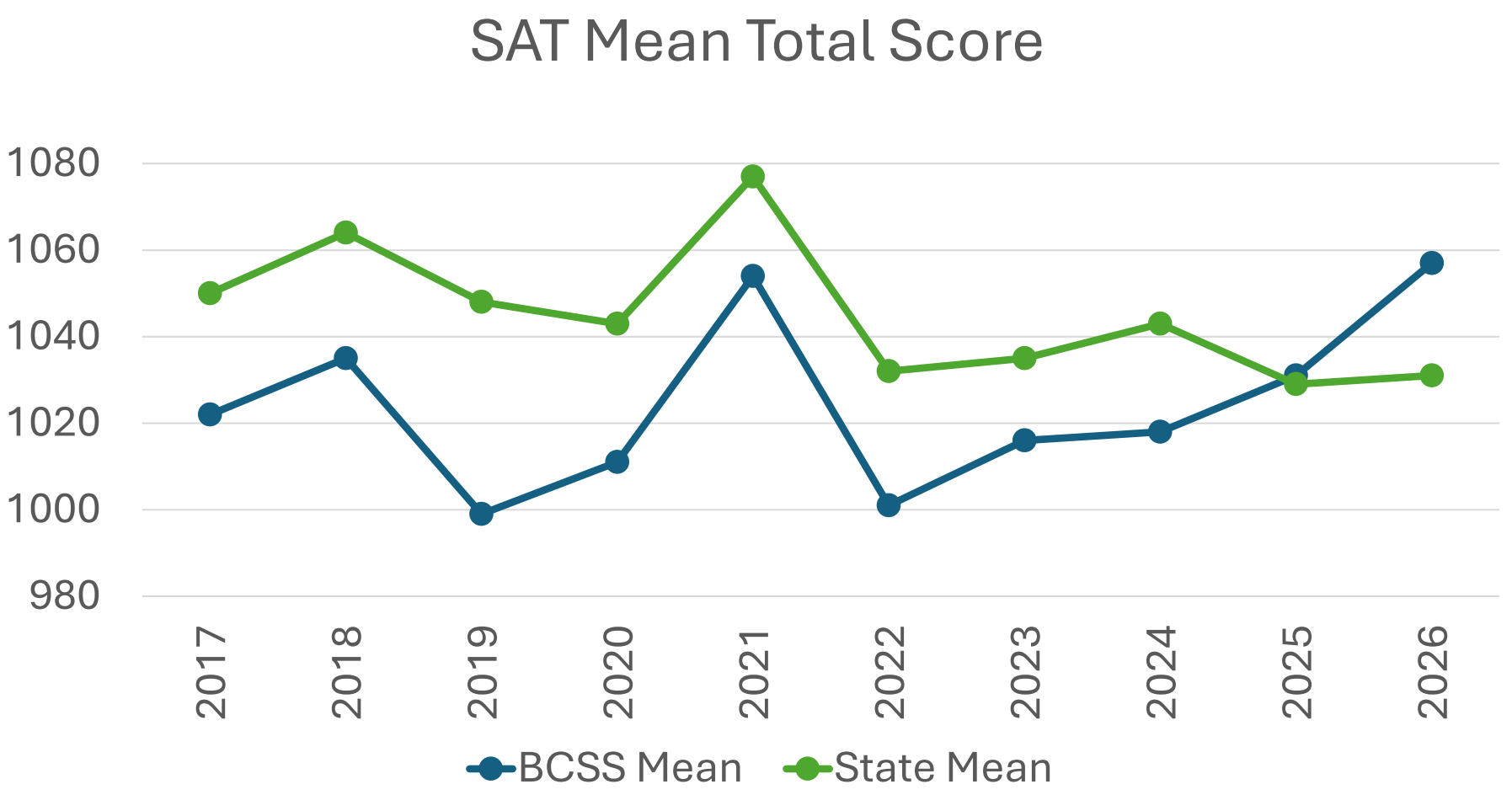
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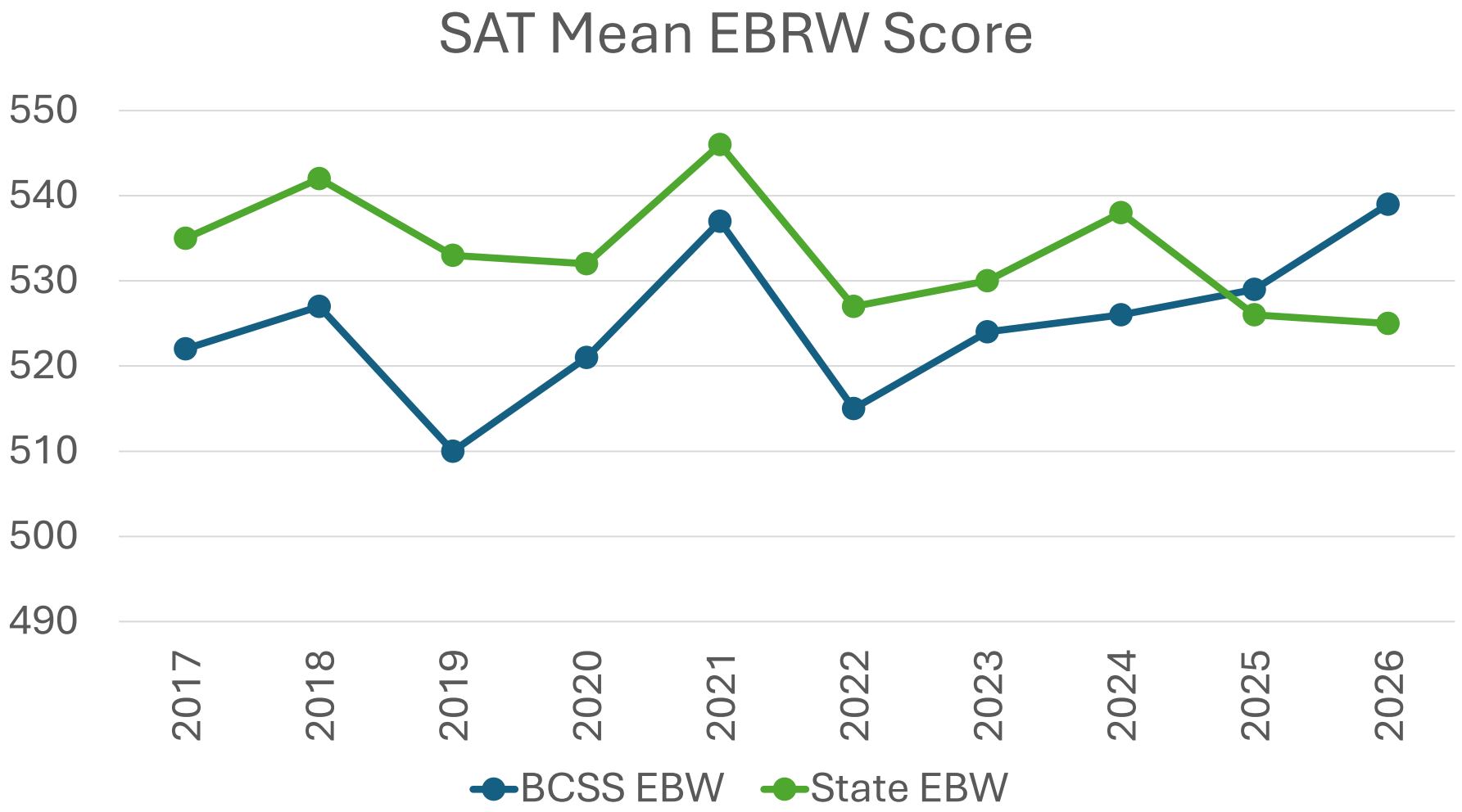
SAT – Student Performance

School Year	Mean EBRW Score		Mean Math Score		Mean Total Score	
	BCSS	State	BCSS	State	BCSS	State
2018	527	542	508	533	**1035**	1064
2019	510	533	489	515	**999**	1048
2020	521	532	491	511	**1011**	1043
2021	537	546	517	531	**1054**	1077
2022	515	527	486	505	**1001**	1032
2023	524	530	492	505	**1016**	1035
2024	526	538	492	505	**1018**	1043
2025	529	526	501	502	**1031**	1029
2026	539	525	517	506	**1057**	1031

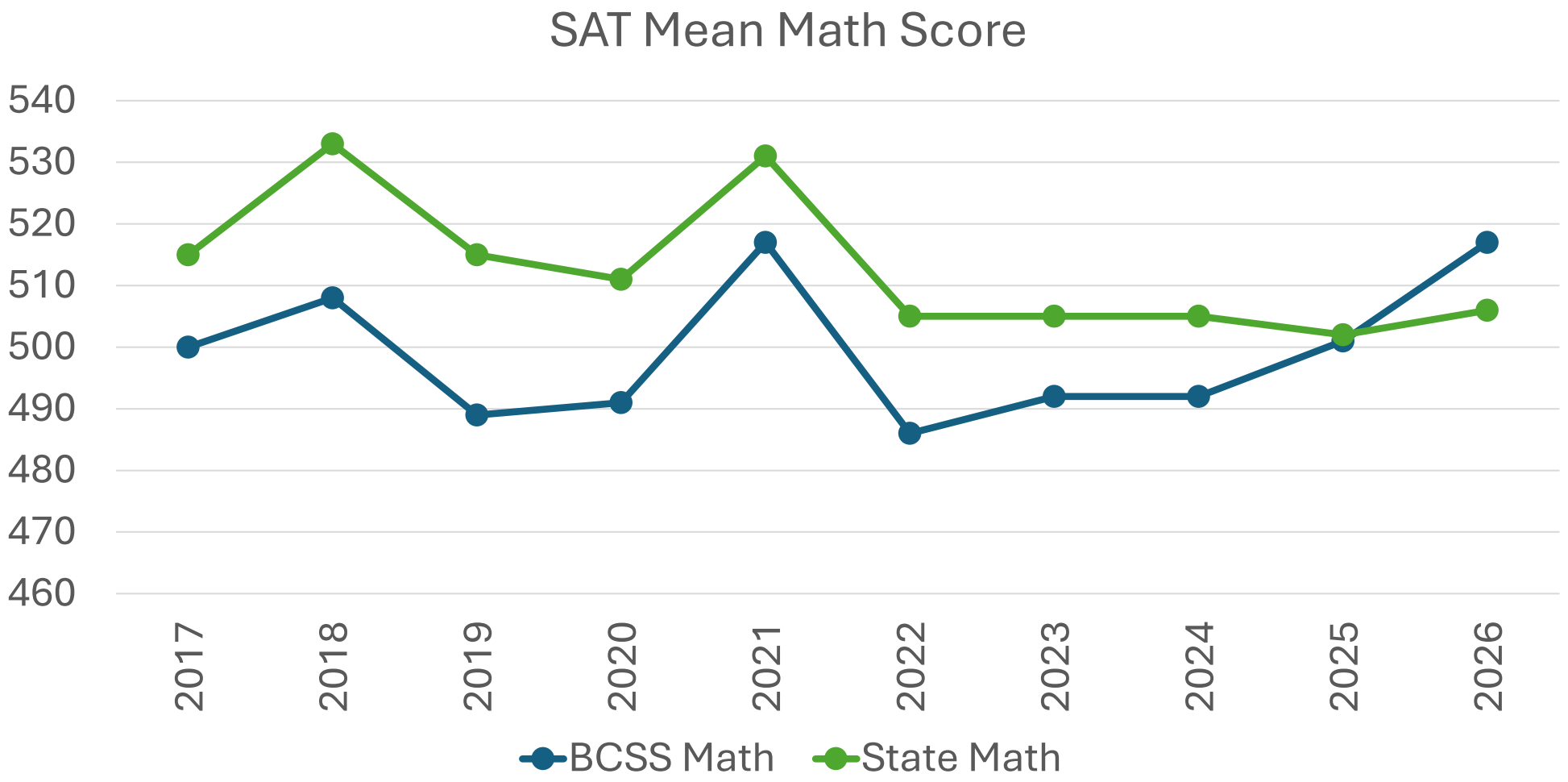
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ACT – Student Performance

School Year	Average Composite Score		Average English Score	Average Math Score	Average Reading Score	Average Science Score
	BCSS	State	BCSS	BCSS	BCSS	BCSS
2018	**19.5**	21	18	19.4	20.2	20
2019	**18.8**	20.4	17.7	18.2	19.7	19.1
2020	**19.3**	20.8	17.8	18.8	20.4	19.8
2021	**21.4**	22.9	20.3	19.6	23.8	21.4
2022	**18.9**	20.7	17.7	18.2	19.9	19.4
2023	**18.7**	20.7	17.4	17.6	19.7	19.6
2024	**18.7**	21	17.1	17.5	20.2	19.7
2025	**20**	21.4	18.3	19.5	21	20.9
2026	**18.7**	20.9	17.3	19.1	19.3	20.9

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