



**Table D6**  
**Average ACT Area Scores of New First-Time Students**  
**Recently Out of High School by Gender**  
**2002-2006 Autumn Semester Census**

| <b>ACT AREA TEST</b>     | <b>GENDER</b>           | <b>2002</b> | <b>2003</b> | <b>2004</b> | <b>2005</b> | <b>2006</b> |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>English</b>           | Females                 | 23.0        | 23.2        | 23.5        | 23.6        | 24.2        |
|                          | Males                   | 22.7        | 22.8        | 23.0        | 23.3        | 23.7        |
|                          | Total                   | 22.8        | 23.0        | 23.3        | 23.5        | 24.0        |
|                          | <b>National Average</b> | <b>20.2</b> | <b>20.3</b> | <b>20.4</b> | <b>20.4</b> | <b>20.6</b> |
| <b>Mathematics</b>       | Females                 | 21.6        | 21.7        | 22.1        | 21.9        | 22.3        |
|                          | Males                   | 24.0        | 24.2        | 24.2        | 24.2        | 24.6        |
|                          | Total                   | 22.8        | 22.9        | 23.1        | 23.1        | 23.3        |
|                          | <b>National Average</b> | <b>20.6</b> | <b>20.6</b> | <b>20.7</b> | <b>20.7</b> | <b>20.8</b> |
| <b>Reading</b>           | Females                 | 24.1        | 24.2        | 24.3        | 24.5        | 24.8        |
|                          | Males                   | 24.3        | 24.4        | 24.6        | 24.5        | 25.1        |
|                          | Total                   | 24.2        | 24.3        | 24.4        | 24.5        | 24.9        |
|                          | <b>National Average</b> | <b>21.1</b> | <b>21.2</b> | <b>21.3</b> | <b>21.3</b> | <b>21.4</b> |
| <b>Science Reasoning</b> | Females                 | 22.2        | 22.2        | 22.4        | 22.3        | 22.7        |
|                          | Males                   | 24.2        | 24.4        | 24.3        | 24.4        | 24.7        |
|                          | Total                   | 23.2        | 23.2        | 23.3        | 23.3        | 23.7        |
|                          | <b>National Average</b> | <b>20.8</b> | <b>20.8</b> | <b>20.9</b> | <b>20.9</b> | <b>20.9</b> |
| <b>Composite</b>         | Females                 | 22.8        | 23.0        | 23.2        | 23.2        | 23.6        |
|                          | Males                   | 22.9        | 24.1        | 24.1        | 24.2        | 24.7        |
|                          | Total                   | 22.7        | 23.5        | 23.7        | 23.7        | 24.1        |
|                          | <b>National Average</b> | <b>20.8</b> | <b>20.8</b> | <b>20.9</b> | <b>20.9</b> | <b>21.1</b> |