

TCAP Assessment Blueprint

Social Studies – Grade 8

This blueprint describes the content and structure of an assessment and defines the ideal percentage and number of operational test items by reporting category for the Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment Program (TCAP). For more information on this assessment, please see the Assessment Overviews [here](#).

1607-1783: Colonization and The American Revolution

Standards	Topic
8.01-8.12	Colonization
8.13-8.20	The American Revolution
Percentage of Items	20-25%

1775-1820: The New Nation and Growth of a Young Nation

Standards	Topic
8.21-8.28	The New Nation
8.29-8.33	Growth of a Young Nation
Percentage of Items	18-23%

1790s-1850s: Sectionalism and Reform and The Jacksonian Era

Standards	Topic
8.34-8.43	Sectionalism and Reform
8.44-8.48	The Jacksonian Era
Percentage of Items	18-23%

1820s-1860s: Expansion and Division of the Nation

Standards	Topic
8.49-8.60	Expansion and Division of the Nation
Percentage of Items	15-20%

1860-1877: The Civil War and Reconstruction

Standards	Topic
8.61-8.66	The Civil War
8.67-8.75	Reconstruction
Percentage of Items	13-18%

Summary

Total Operational Items

41-46*

*Please note that these numbers reflect operational items only. All Social Studies TCAP assessments also include embedded field test items.