

## **Kentucky Item Release**

Statistics are provided for each item showing performance for all students tested, including by student demographic group. For all items, the overall performance (i.e., average item score) is shown for all students and by groups of students. The performance of students within each item is also shown and varies by the type of test item. For example, in selected response items, the percentage of students choosing specific answer options is shown across all students and groups of students. For open-ended items, the percentage of students obtaining each possible score point is shown across all students and groups of students. More details of this are provided below.

### *Multiple Choice Items*

Multiple choice items include four answer options with directions to select one option as a response. The performance statistics provided for these items include overall percent correct (i.e., the percent of students answering these items correctly), including by student demographic group, and the percent of students that selected each answer option, also including by groups of students. The answer key and content standard assessed are also provided for reference.

### *Multi-select Items*

Multi-select items include five answer options with directions to select two options as a response. These are worth two points – one point for each correct option selected. The performance statistics provided for these items include overall average item score (i.e., the average number of points achieved), including by student demographic group, and the percent of students obtaining each possible score (i.e., 0, 1, or 2 points), also including groups of students. Students obtaining a score of 0 on these items did not select either of the correct answer choices. Students obtaining a score of 1 on these items did select one of the correct answer choices and not the other. For students obtaining a score of 1, the percent selecting each of the correct answer choices is shown. Students obtaining a score of 2 on these items selected both correct answers. The answer key and content standard assessed are also provided for reference.

### *Open Ended Items*

Open ended items involve students constructing extended responses to given scenarios. These items are worth four points and are scored according to criteria presented in a scoring rubric. The performance statistics provided for these items include overall average item score (i.e., the average number of points achieved), including by student demographic group, and the percent of students obtaining each possible score (i.e., 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4 points), also including groups of students. The content standard assessed is also provided for reference.