In recognition of emerging demographic and clinical trends, the Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale®–Fourth Edition (WAIS-IV®) was developed to provide you with the most advanced measure of cognitive ability and results you can trust.

The WAIS-IV offers precision and simplicity in one comprehensive battery combined with the enhanced utility that results from the rigorous collection and stratification of normative data that is the hallmark of Wechsler tradition.

It is this commitment to excellence that led us to focus on four issues to guide the WAIS-IV revision.

Changing Demographics ★ Shifting Clinical Needs
Emerging Research ★ Increasing Caseload

CHANGING DEMOGRAPHICS

Since the publication of WAIS-III (1997), much has changed both culturally and demographically. Our population has aged, our standard of living has improved, and we have become more diverse as a society. These are just some of the considerations that influenced the normative data collection for the WAIS-IV.

In recognition of increasing caseloads involving older clients, the WAIS-IV was designed to be more developmentally appropriate for older adults through the following:

★ Reduced administration time
★ Additional teaching items to ensure understanding of tasks
★ Reduced vocabulary level for verbal instructions
★ Decreased emphasis on motor demands and time-bonus points
★ Enlarged visual stimuli

The WAIS-IV was standardized on a normative sample of 2,200 individuals and divided into 13 age bands spanning ages 16:0 to 90:11. The sample was stratified to match the United States population based on the demographic variables categories of age, sex, education level, race/ethnicity, and geographic region.

The graphs below show normative sample information and demographics that are represented in the WAIS-IV.

Based on its foundation of strong normative data, you can feel confident in results from the WAIS-IV.
EMERGING RESEARCH

The field of Psychology is constantly evolving based on scientific research, new theories, and changes in our culture and society. This evolution is represented in improvements to the WAIS-IV theoretical foundation and changes in the test structure itself. Additional NEW subtests were created to enhance the measurement of perceptual and fluid reasoning, and modifications were made to existing subtests to enhance their clinical utility and psychometric properties.

TEST STRUCTURE

The WAIS-IV structure was modified to align with the widely popular WISC-IV® and to reflect current theory regarding cognitive ability. The new structure is also more reflective of current cognitive ability theory and divides scores into four specific domains. The core battery consists of ten total subtests that yield the FSIQ and four Index Scores. There are also five supplemental subtests that may be substituted for core subtests or administered for additional information.

NEW SUBTESTS

Three new subtests are included in the WAIS-IV and each provides clinicians with unique means of obtaining valuable information as well as improving the breadth of construct coverage. The sample items below provide a preview of the new tasks.

Visual Puzzles

"Which 3 of these pieces go together to make this puzzle?"

Figure Weights

"Which one of these goes here to balance the scale?"

For the correct answers to these sample items and more, visit WAIS-IV.com
**INCREASING CASELOAD**

While developing WAIS-IV, we were very cognizant of the increase in caseloads and the limited time available for administering assessments. Therefore we focused our efforts in providing you with the highest quality clinical information, in the most efficient time possible.

Some of the changes that contribute to an overall reduction in administration time include:

- **Reduction of core battery from 13 subtests to 10**
- **Simplified Record Form**
- **Shortened discontinue rules**

See the table below for details regarding the changes to the discontinue rules on the WAIS-IV:

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These changes contribute to an overall average reduction in administration time of nearly 15%!

**Cancellation**

“When I say go, draw a line through each red square and yellow triangle.”

**SIMPLIFY YOUR LIFE WITH WAIS–IV AND WAIS–IV SOFTWARE**

Save time scoring and reporting results with the practical WAIS-IV Scoring Assistant® and Report Writer Software. Generate concise score reports and comprehensive interpretative reports automatically from your PC by simply entering raw scores. The WAIS-IV Scoring Assistant and Report Writer are part of the PsychCorpCenter platform, which allows you access to other scoring applications for potential cross battery analysis (including the WMS IV Scoring Assistant and Report Writer for in depth analysis).

**Scoring Assistant** - Just enter raw scores, and the software does the following:

- Generates concise score reports and statistical reports with graphs and tables
- Raw to scaled score conversions
- Strength and weakness discrepancies
- Links to WMS–IV/WIAT–II
- Upgradeable to WAIS–IV Report Writer

Enhancements to software design makes finding and organizing client records and information simple.

**Report Writer** - Includes all capabilities of the Scoring Assistant plus:

- Produces individualized, comprehensive reports that go beyond mere scores, tables, and graphs
- Non-Technical Client Report
- Comprehensive Narrative Report

Software output in word document format is fully editable for the creation of outstanding professional quality reports.

★ Contributes to Processing Speed Index
★ Supplemental Subtest
★ Requires less fine motor skill than Coding
"The WAIS-IV is a brilliant instrument in every respect. Wechsler’s adult scales have always been the gold standard of adult intelligence and this latest revision has raised the bar to heights never before imagined. The WAIS-IV is a state-of-the-art, comprehensive battery that excels psychometrically, clinically, and neuropsychologically while offering innovative subtests in a user-friendly format.”

—Alan S. Kaufman, PhD
Clinical Professor of Psychology
Yale University

Meeting the needs of individuals with clinical issues is one of the most important services that psychologists provide. These needs change over time as research improves and new disorders and groups are defined. The WAIS-IV was developed with a special emphasis on these unique groups and provides clinicians with valuable data and insight to better serve these special populations.

The list below provides the many clinical groups that were included in the WAIS-IV Standardization.

Clinical Studies:

- Intellectual Giftedness
- Intellectual Disability-Mild Severity
- Intellectual Disability-Moderate Severity
- Borderline Intellectual Functioning
- Autistic Disorder
- Asperger’s Disorder
- Reading Disorder
- Mathematics Disorder
- Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Mild Cognitive Impairment
- Probable Dementia of the Alzheimer’s Type
- Depression

New special group studies were included in the WAIS-IV to give you more relevant and useful clinical information.
WAIS-IV Kit Includes:

- Administration and Scoring Manual
- Technical Manual
- 2 Stimulus Books
- 25 Record Forms
- 25, Response Book #1
- 25, Response Book #2
- Set of Block Design Blocks
- Symbol Search Scoring Key
- Coding Scoring Template
- Cancellation Scoring Template
- #2 pencil without eraser

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