

# **Expanding utilization of National Assessment of Basic Competences**

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## **The system of „National Assessment of Basic Competencies”**

- **National tests in literacy and numeracy**
- **Every pupil assessed in grades 6th, 8th and 10<sup>th</sup>**
- **Individual student identification number used**
- **Background data collected on students and schools**
- **Centralised scoring of tests at national level by the national managing agency (Educational Authority)**

# A system in permanent evolution

<b>Year</b>	<b>Which grades?</b>	<b>Centralized national scoring</b>
<b>2001</b>	<b>5 and 9</b>	<b>Sample</b> <b>(20 students from each school)</b>
<b>2002</b>	<b>6 and 10</b>	<b>Sample</b> <b>(20 students, each program types from grade 10)</b>
<b>2003</b>	<b>6, 8 and 10</b>	<b>Sample</b> <b>(20 students, each program types from grade 10)</b>
<b>2005-2007</b>	<b>6, 8 and 10</b>	<b>Mixed</b> <b>(Sample in some grades, full in others)</b>
<b>2007-</b>	<b>6, 8 and 10</b>	<b>Full</b> <b>(Every student from every school)</b>
<b>2008</b>	<b>6, 8 and 10</b>	<b>Introduction of individual pupil identifier codes</b>
<b>2009</b>	<b>6, 8 and 10</b>	<b>Data on every pupil available for parents and teachers</b>
<b>2010-</b>	<b>6, 8 and 10</b>	<b>Value added scores calculated on the basis of individual pupil identifier codes</b>

# Privacy

- Individual student identifiers and longitudinal measurement initiated by researchers unsatisfied with data quality for measuring value added
- Long and difficult discussions with the national parliamentary *Data Protection and Freedom of Information Commissioner*...
- ... ending with an agreement on a technical solution that assures privacy



# **The technical solution**

- **The personal identification number (PIN) is generated at school level and remains in the school**
- **Those doing the national data processing do not have access to the PIN of individual pupils**
- **Test data can be connected with individual pupils only through the PIN of the individual pupil**
- **The PIN of the individual pupil is known only by (1) the principal, (2) teachers authorized by him/her, (3) the parents of the pupil**
- **Data base available for researchers without PIN codes**

# Reporting at four levels

- **National level:**

For the public and decision-makers - available for public

- **Maintainer level:**

To every local self-government that maintain schools and other maintainers - available for public

- **School level:**













To every school - available for public

- **Pupil level:**

To every school and parent – password (PIN) needed

# User-friendly reports on school level

## Átlageredmények

Mérési terület	Évfolyam	Képzési forma	Átlageredmény (megbízhatósági tartomány)					
			A telephelyen	Országos	Az első viszonyítási csoport		A második viszonyítási csoport	
					Neve	Eredménye	Neve	Eredménye
Matematika	6.	ált. isk.	1549 (1521;1571)	 1498 (1497;1498)	Megye- székhelyi ált. isk.	 1539 (1537;1541)	M.székh. nagy ált. isk.	 1548 (1546;1550)
	8.	ált. isk.	1607 (1572;1638)	 1622 (1622;1623)	Megye- székhelyi ált. isk.	 1647 (1645;1649)	M.székh. nagy ált. isk.	 1662 (1661;1664)
Szövegértés	6.	ált. isk.	1473 (1441;1508)	 1483 (1482;1484)	Megye- székhelyi ált. isk.	 1530 (1528;1532)	M.székh. nagy ált. isk.	 1541 (1539;1544)
	8.	ált. isk.	1498 (1461;1525)	 1583 (1582;1584)	Megye- székhelyi ált. isk.	 1610 (1609;1612)	M.székh. nagy ált. isk.	 1626 (1624;1628)



A telephely eredményénél szignifikánsan alacsonyabb az adott érték

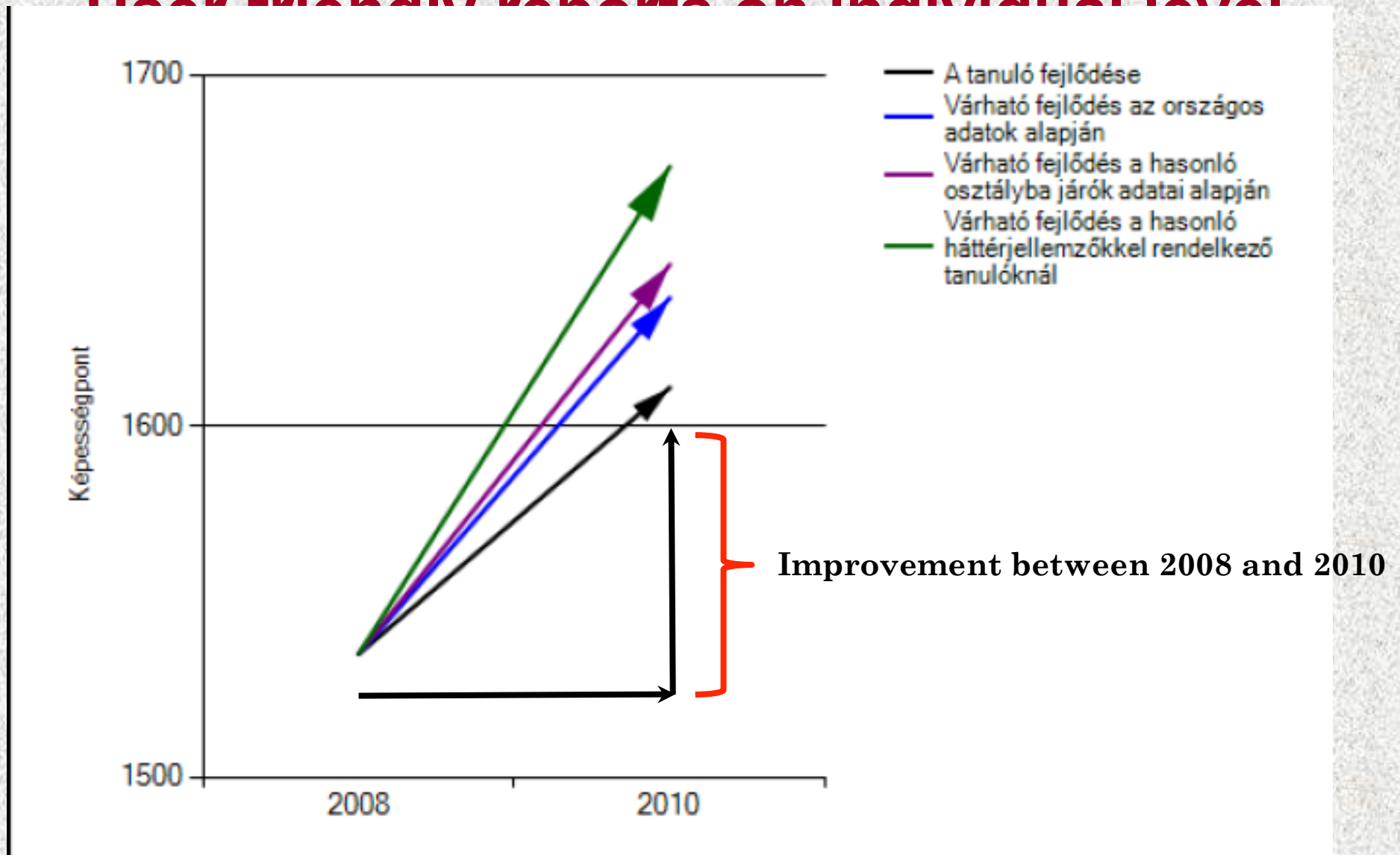


A telephely eredménye nem különbözik szignifikánsan az adott értéktől



A telephely eredményénél szignifikánsan magasabb az adott érték

## User friendly reports on individual level





# The system can be used for different purposes by various stakeholders

## School improvement (++)

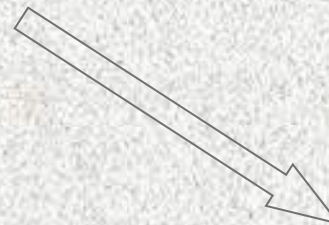
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Summative assessment of  
*individual pupils* (---)



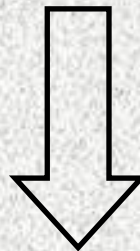
Research  
(+)



Informing  
parents for  
school choice  
(+)



School evaluation and  
accountability (+?)



Formative assessment  
of *individual pupils*  
for improving  
learning (--)

# Key issues

- **Difficulties in appropriate way of interpretation**
- **Communication with parents**  
(How to enrich the information parents get and how to make data more readable for them)
- **Motivation and capacity**  
(How make schools and teachers to be more active users of school and pupil level data)
- **Best practices of day-to-day operation need to find and dispread**



**Thank you!**

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