



Calculating Rankings

How were the 2017 March into May rankings calculated? Check out these Frequently Asked Questions to learn how to interpret the leaderboard results.

How do we determine the leaderboard results?

This year March into May teams could range between 3 and 10 participants. To even the playing field for all teams, big and small, we calculated an **average** of the team's steps for the week of reporting by dividing their **total** weekly steps by the **number** of people reported on their team. This means a team with 100,000 steps and 10 members would have the same step average as a team with 40,000 steps and 4 team members.

Example:

100,000 steps/10 participants = 10,000 average/person

40,000 steps/4 participants = 10,000 average/person

What do the Cumulative Average Steps on the Leaderboard represent?

New this year, we used the Cumulative Average Steps to account for changes in the number of participants for some teams, due to injuries or other issues. Each weekly average was added together for a Cumulative Average Step for the team. This number represents the daily step average per person for the challenge up to that week.

Example:

	Week 1	Week 2	Total
Team A	50,000 steps/5 Participants = 10,000 average/person	40,000 steps/4 Participants = 10,000 average/person	10,000 + 10,000 = 20,000 steps
Team B	100,000 steps/10 participants = 10,000 average/person	100,000 steps/10 participants = 10,000 average/person	10,000 + 10,000 = 20,000 steps

How do I know what my team's daily average is?

To get your team's daily average from the Cumulative Average Step count, simply divide by the number of days in the challenge so far. For the final, week #6 leaderboard you would divide by the total number of days in the challenge, 42 (7 days x 6 weeks). The number you get is the daily average steps, per team member during the challenge.

Here's an example from the week #5 leaderboard:

Cumulative Average Steps: **510695.9**

Day in challenge so far: **35** (7 days x 5 weeks)

Daily step average per team member: $510695.9/35 = \mathbf{14,591.3}$