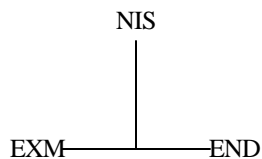


1999 Licensure Statistics On-Line

Data Collection Methodology

The data reported in this section were obtained from the 61 Member Boards of the National Council of State Boards of Nursing. They were requested to provide data that indicated licensure processing activity and data on the total number of individuals licensed to practice within the jurisdiction during fiscal year 1999.

The varied licensure procedures and methods that exist among the member boards of nursing have been classified according to the common licensure practices in which each Member Board engages to fulfill its mission. Processing activity is the focal point about which the data are organized. As the figure below illustrates, two basic processing activities (examination and endorsement), represent the sources that contribute to the measure of the new in state licenses processed. In 1999 we eliminated the data collection for renewal and reinstatement processing activities.



KEY:

NIS: New in State Functions

EXM: Examination

END: Endorsement

Member Boards were asked to provide estimates based upon knowledge and experience whenever the exact figure requested for this collection of data was unknown. In this manner, the National Council of State Boards of Nursing attempts to provide the best information available from informed sources in each jurisdiction.

When reviewing the statistics contained in this section, it should be noted that licensees in Puerto Rico are licensed by virtue of passing Puerto Rico's Spanish-language examination. In addition to taking this examination, some of the licensees have also taken and passed the NCLEX-RN[®] examination and/or NCLEX-PN[®] examination.

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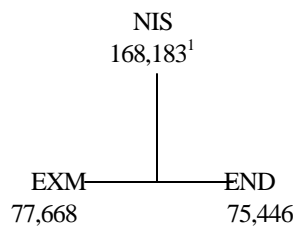
The definitions explain the terms used in the licensing processing activity for RNs, LPNs and APRNs.

ACTIVE LICENSE figures are based on the reported actual or estimated total number of individuals holding an active license within a jurisdiction. Whereas the processing figures provide a measure of the magnitude of board operations, the active license figures represent the nurses available for employment. Due to an unknown number of individuals holding active licenses in more than one jurisdiction, the total number of active licenses does not represent the total number of licensees.

SPECIALTY LICENSES contain data for Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) groups: Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA), Certified Nurse Midwife (CNM), Certified Nurse Specialist (CNS), CNS-Psych/mental health, and Nurse Practitioner (NP).

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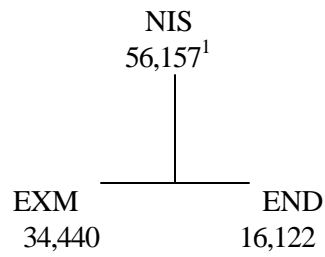
NIS: New in State Functions

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END: Endorsement

¹Includes new in state processing of 15,069 licenses not available by specific function category.

Summary of Practical/Vocational Nurse Licenses Processed

1999 Licensure and Examination Statistics**KEY:**

NIS: New in State Functions

EXM: Examination

END: Endorsement

¹ Includes new in state processing of 5,595 licenses not available by specific function category.

JD	Board of Nursing	RN	LPN/ LVN	Other Specialty Groups
AK	Alaska Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
AL	Alabama Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
AR	Arkansas State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
AS	American Samoa Health Service Regulatory Board	YES	YES	YES
AZ	Arizona State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
CARN	California Board of Registered Nursing	YES	NO	YES
CAVN	California Board of Vocational Nurse and Psychiatric Technician Examiners	NO	YES	NO
CO	Colorado Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
CT	Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing	YES	YES	YES
DC	District of Columbia Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
DE	Delaware Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
FL	Florida Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
GAPN	Georgia State Board of Licensed Practical Nurses	NO	YES	NO
GARN	Georgia Board of Nursing	YES	NO	YES
GU	Guam Board of Nurse Examiners	YES	YES	YES
HI	Hawaii Board of Nursing Professional and Vocational Licensing Division	YES	YES	YES
IA	Iowa Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
ID	Idaho Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
IL	Illinois Department of Professional Regulation	YES	YES	YES
IN	Indiana State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
KS	Kansas State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
KY	Kentucky Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
LAPN	Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners	NO	YES	NO
LARN	Louisiana State Board of Nursing	YES	NO	YES
MA	Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing	YES	YES	YES
MD	Maryland Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
ME	Maine State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
MI	Michigan CIS/Bureau of Health Services	YES	YES	YES
MN	Minnesota Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
MO	Missouri State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
MP	Northern Mariana Islands Commonwealth Board of Nurse Examiners	YES	YES	YES
MS	Mississippi Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
MT	Montana State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
NC	North Carolina Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
ND	North Dakota Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
NE	Nebraska Health and Human Services System	YES	YES	YES
NH	New Hampshire Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
NJ	New Jersey Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
NM	New Mexico Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
NV	Nevada State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
NY	New York State Board for Nursing	YES	YES	YES
OH	Ohio Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
OK	Oklahoma Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
OR	Oregon State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
PA	Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
PR	Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Board of Nurse Examiners	YES	YES	YES
RI	Rhode Island Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education	YES	YES	YES
SC	South Carolina State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
SD	South Dakota Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
TN	Tennessee State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
TXRN	Texas Board of Nurse Examiners	YES	NO	YES
TXVN	Texas Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners	NO	YES	NO
UT	Utah State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
VA	Virginia Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
VI	Virgin Islands Board of Nurse Licensure	YES	YES	YES
VT	Vermont State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
WA	Washington State Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission	YES	YES	YES
WI	Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing	YES	YES	YES
WVPN	West Virginia State Board of Examiners for Licensed Practical Nurses	NO	YES	NO
WVRN	West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses	YES	NO	YES
WY	Wyoming State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES

Registered Nurses: New in State Functions, by Jurisdiction

Jurisdiction	Examination		Endorsement		New in State	
	n	%	n	%	n	%
AK	116	0.15	618	0.82	734	0.44
AL	1865	2.40	1025	1.36	2890	1.72
AR	1013	1.30	904	1.20	1917	1.14
AS	3	0.00	6	0.01	9	0.01
AZ	733	0.94	2341	3.10	3074	1.83
CARN	15100	19.44	5278	7.00	20378	12.12
CO	875	1.13	2646	3.51	3521	2.09
CT	925	1.19	1750	2.32	2675	1.59
DC	a	a	a	a	1210	0.72
DE	241	0.31	640	0.85	881	0.52
FL	3941	5.07	5621	7.45	9562	5.69
GARN	2420	3.12	2848	3.77	5268	3.13
GU	9	0.01	88	0.12	97	0.06
HI	232	0.30	684	0.91	916	0.54
IA	1083	1.39	852	1.13	1935	1.15
ID	307	0.40	650	0.86	957	0.57
IL	a	a	a	a	5529	3.29
IN			no information available			
KS	962	1.24	919	1.22	1881	1.12
KY	1572	2.02	1000	1.33	2572	1.53
LARN	1882	2.42	953	1.26	2835	1.69
MA	2113	2.72	1739	2.30	3852	2.29
MD	1657	2.13	2495	3.31	4152	2.47
ME	392	0.50	751	1.00	1143	0.68
MI	2775	3.57	1376	1.82	4151	2.47
MN	2020	2.60	1174	1.56	3194	1.90
MO	2032	2.62	1643	2.18	3675	2.19
MP			no information available			
MS	1202	1.55	733	0.97	1935	1.15
MT	330	0.42	502	0.67	832	0.49
NC	2499	3.22	3389	4.49	5888	3.50
ND	253	0.33	173	0.23	426	0.25
NE	657	0.85	582	0.77	1239	0.74
NH	660	0.85	1060	1.40	1720	1.02
NJ	1511	1.95	2356	3.12	3867	2.30
NM	486	0.63	871	1.15	1357	0.81
NV	315	0.41	1109	1.47	1424	0.85
NY	a	a	a	a	8330	4.95
OH	3752	4.83	2142	2.84	5894	3.50
OK	1541	1.98	833	1.10	2374	1.41
OR	737	0.95	1688	2.24	2425	1.44
PA	3337	4.30	3101	4.11	6438	3.83
PR	1763	2.27	10	0.01	1773	1.05
RI	348	0.45	532	0.71	880	0.52
SC	1198	1.54	2128	2.82	3326	1.98
SD	299	0.38	333	0.44	632	0.38
TN	2240	2.88	1842	2.44	4082	2.43
TXRN	5025	6.47	3834	5.08	8859	5.27
UT	734	0.95	547	0.73	1281	0.76
VA	1601	2.06	3070	4.07	4671	2.78
VI	13	0.02	81	0.11	94	0.06
VT	93	0.12	1459	1.93	1552	0.92
WA	451	0.58	2859	3.79	3310	1.97
WI	1516	1.95	1130	1.50	2646	1.57
WVRN	659	0.85	809	1.07	1468	0.87
WY	180	0.23	272	0.36	452	0.27
Total	77668	100.00	75446	100.00	168183	100.00

a = no information available

Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurses: New in State Functions, by Jurisdiction

1999 Licensure and Examination Statistics

Jurisdiction	Examination		Endorsement		New in State	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
AK	24	0.07%	69	0.43%	93	0.17%
AL	824	2.39%	242	1.50%	1,066	1.90%
AR	711	2.06%	350	2.17%	1,061	1.89%
AS	4	0.01%	1	0.01%	5	0.01%
AZ	390	1.13%	420	2.61%	810	1.44%
CAVN	3,162	9.18%	482	2.99%	3,644	6.49%
CO	2,308	6.70%	1,558	9.66%	3,866	6.88%
CT	100	0.29%	170	1.05%	270	0.48%
DC	a	a	a	a	122	0.22%
DE	114	0.33%	79	0.49%	193	0.34%
FL	2,249	6.53%	1,299	8.06%	3,548	6.32%
GAPN	824	2.39%	825	5.12%	1,649	2.94%
GU	12	0.03%	8	0.05%	20	0.04%
HI	188	0.55%	87	0.54%	275	0.49%
IA	695	2.02%	186	1.15%	881	1.57%
ID	164	0.48%	81	0.50%	245	0.44%
IL	a	a	a	a	1,458	2.60%
IN			no information available			
KS	545	1.58%	295	1.83%	840	1.50%
KY	696	2.02%	261	1.62%	957	1.70%
LAPN	858	2.49%	266	1.65%	1,124	2.00%
MA	678	1.97%	191	1.18%	869	1.55%
MD	328	0.95%	428	2.65%	756	1.35%
ME	11	0.03%	84	0.52%	95	0.17%
MI	1,039	3.02%	276	1.71%	1,315	2.34%
MN	1,014	2.94%	168	1.04%	1,182	2.10%
MO	1,012	2.94%	424	2.63%	1,436	2.56%
MP			no information available			
MS	582	1.69%	191	1.18%	773	1.38%
MT	126	0.37%	92	0.57%	218	0.39%
NC	874	2.54%	718	4.45%	1,592	2.83%
ND	114	0.33%	63	0.39%	177	0.32%
NE	236	0.69%	132	0.82%	368	0.66%
NH	195	0.57%	125	0.78%	320	0.57%
NJ	561	1.63%	224	1.39%	785	1.40%
NM	173	0.50%	170	1.05%	343	0.61%
NV	24	0.07%	265	1.64%	289	0.51%
NY	a	a	a	a	4,015	7.15%
OH	1,470	4.27%	442	2.74%	1,912	3.40%
OK	1,495	4.34%	292	1.81%	1,787	3.18%
OR	245	0.71%	226	1.40%	471	0.84%
PA	1,249	3.63%	440	2.73%	1,689	3.01%
PR	1,705	4.95%	0	0.00%	1,705	3.04%
RI	40	0.12%	65	0.40%	105	0.19%
SC	436	1.27%	410	2.54%	846	1.51%
SD	66	0.19%	50	0.31%	116	0.21%
TN	827	2.40%	725	4.50%	1,552	2.76%
TXVN	3,385	9.83%	999	6.20%	4,384	7.81%
UT	563	1.63%	99	0.61%	662	1.18%
VA	945	2.74%	543	3.37%	1,488	2.65%
VI	5	0.01%	18	0.11%	23	0.04%
VT	81	0.24%	343	2.13%	424	0.76%
WA	352	1.02%	677	4.20%	1,029	1.83%
WI	286	0.83%	285	1.77%	571	1.02%
WVPN	417	1.21%	203	1.26%	620	1.10%
WY	38	0.11%	75	0.47%	113	0.20%
Total	34,440	100.00%	16,122	100.00%	56,157	100.00%

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Total Number of Active Licenses: Registered Nurses and Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurses, by Jurisdiction

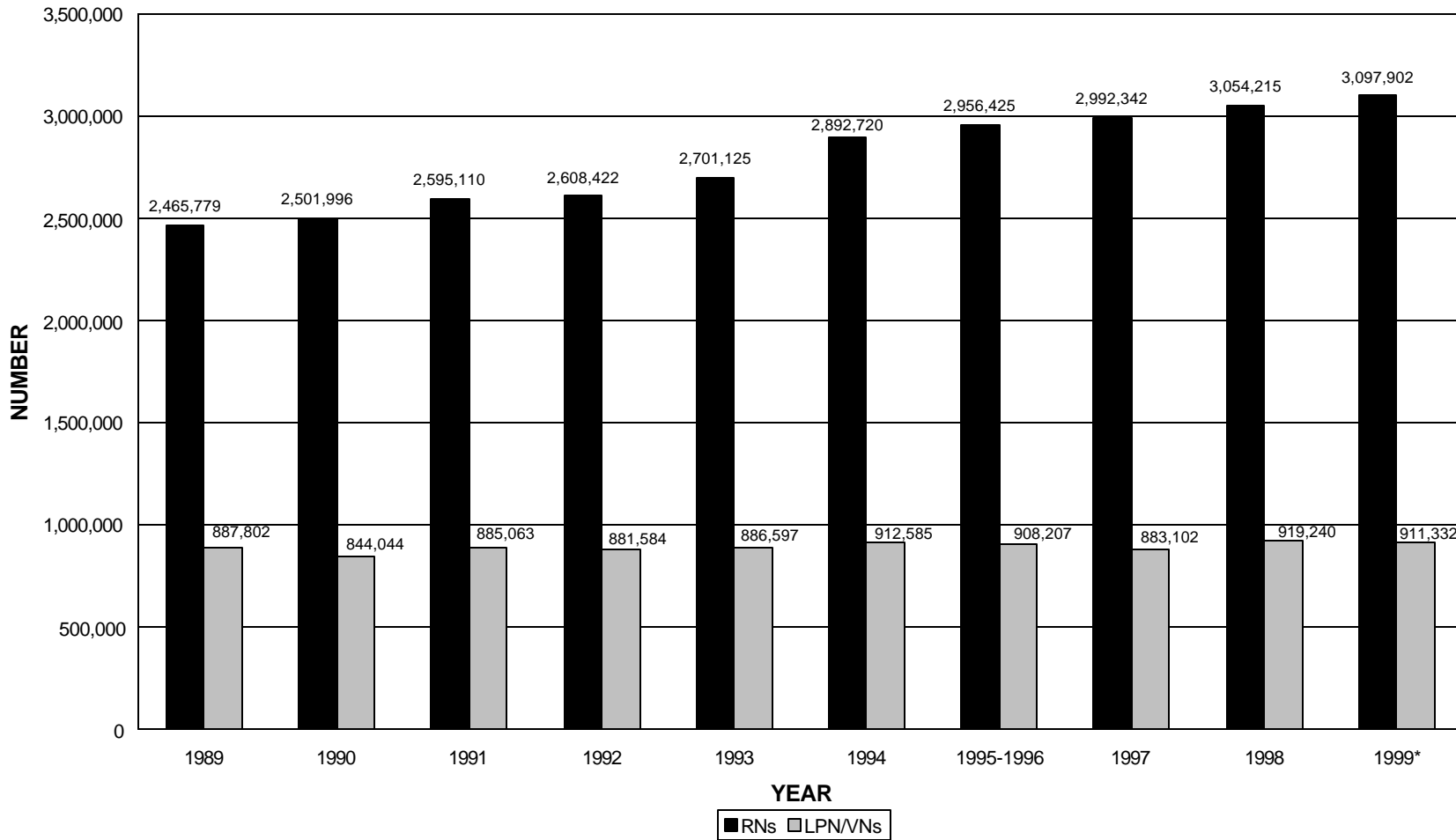
JD	Registered Nurses		Licensed Practical/ Vocational Nurses		Total Number	
	n	%	n	%	n	%
Jurisdiction	Registered Nurses		Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurses		Total Number	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
JD	RNACTIVE		PNACTIVE		TOTALPNRN	
AK	6,638	0.21%	740	0.08%	7,378	0.18%
AL	44,094	1.42%	19,086	2.09%	63,180	1.58%
AR	28,749	0.93%	16,807	1.84%	45,556	1.14%
AS	47	0.00%	96	0.01%	143	0.00%
AZ	42,266	1.36%	8,812	0.97%	51,078	1.27%
CARN	276,939	8.94%	0	0.00%	276,939	6.91%
CAVN	0	0.00%	65,830	7.22%	65,830	1.64%
CO	44,727	1.44%	9,276	1.02%	54,003	1.35%
CT	51,867	1.67%	11,061	1.21%	62,928	1.57%
DC	18,715	0.60%	2,675	0.29%	21,390	0.53%
DE	9,933	0.32%	1,832	0.20%	11,765	0.29%
FL	167,333	5.40%	48,312	5.30%	215,645	5.38%
GAPN	0	0.00%	30,042	3.30%	30,042	0.75%
GARN	76,543	2.47%	0	0.00%	76,543	1.91%
GU	925	0.03%	277	0.03%	1,202	0.03%
HI	10,514	0.34%	2,357	0.26%	12,871	0.32%
IA	38,547	1.24%	9,506	1.04%	48,053	1.20%
ID	12,182	0.39%	3,616	0.40%	15,798	0.39%
IL	140,224	4.53%	26,864	2.95%	167,088	4.17%
IN	73,915	2.39%	25,102	2.75%	99,017	2.47%
KS	30,859	1.00%	8,039	0.88%	38,898	0.97%
KY	42,281	1.36%	14,393	1.58%	56,674	1.41%
LAPN	0	0.00%	21,170	2.32%	21,170	0.53%
LARN	42,644	1.38%	0	0.00%	42,644	1.06%
MA	99,267	3.20%	22,170	2.43%	121,437	3.03%
MD	57,843	1.87%	9,603	1.05%	67,446	1.68%
ME	18,115	0.58%	3,591	0.39%	21,706	0.54%
MI	117,381	3.79%	32,626	3.58%	150,007	3.74%
MN	58,156	1.88%	22,442	2.46%	80,598	2.01%
MO	68,801	2.22%	23,683	2.60%	92,484	2.31%
MP	200	0.01%	28	0.00%	228	0.01%
MS	27,315	0.88%	12,227	1.34%	39,542	0.99%
MT	13,829	0.45%	3,321	0.36%	17,150	0.43%
NC	86,902	2.81%	21,854	2.40%	108,756	2.71%
ND	8,002	0.26%	3,073	0.34%	11,075	0.28%
NE	20,160	0.65%	6,847	0.75%	27,007	0.67%
NH	18,410	0.59%	3,340	0.37%	21,750	0.54%
NJ	110,540	3.57%	24,443	2.68%	134,983	3.37%
NM	15,822	0.51%	3,268	0.36%	19,090	0.48%
NV	13,555	0.44%	2,523	0.28%	16,078	0.40%
NY	227,686	7.35%	73,877	8.11%	301,563	7.52%
OH	142,081	4.59%	40,468	4.44%	182,549	4.55%
OK	30,987	1.00%	17,018	1.87%	48,005	1.20%
OR	34,525	1.11%	4,299	0.47%	38,824	0.97%
PA	197,171	6.36%	56,396	6.19%	253,567	6.32%
PR	20,242	0.65%	12,550	1.38%	32,792	0.82%
RI	17,223	0.56%	2,998	0.33%	20,221	0.50%
SC	35,956	1.16%	11,007	1.21%	46,963	1.17%
SD	10,236	0.33%	2,211	0.24%	12,447	0.31%
TN	64,861	2.09%	25,738	2.82%	90,599	2.26%
TXRN	163,608	5.28%	0	0.00%	163,608	4.08%
TXVN	0	0.00%	74,648	8.19%	74,648	1.86%
UT	16,767	0.54%	3,727	0.41%	20,494	0.51%

VA	81,939	2.64%	26,747	2.93%	108,686	2.71%
VI	717	0.02%	129	0.01%	846	0.02%
VT	7,480	0.24%	2,136	0.23%	9,616	0.24%
WA	60,207	1.94%	13,984	1.53%	74,191	1.85%
WI	64,797	2.09%	14,585	1.60%	79,382	1.98%
WV	0	0.00%	6,789	0.74%	6,789	0.17%
WY	22,393	0.72%	0	0.00%	22,393	0.56%
	4,786	0.15%	1,093	0.12%	5,879	0.15%
Total	3,097,902	100.00%	911,332	100.00%	4,009,234	100.00%

*Information for Indiana, Northern Mariana Islands and Puerto Rico represents responses received in 1998.

¹Includes 132,037 total number of active licenses reported in 1998 for Indiana, Northern Mariana Islands and Puerto Rico.

1989-1999
Total Number of Active Licenses: Registered Nurses and Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurses



Totals do not reflect number of licensees due to potential issuance of a license in more than one jurisdiction

*Includes 94,357 RN and 37,680 LPN/VN active licenses reported in 1998 for Indiana, Northern Mariana Islands and Puerto Rico

Number of Graduates of Foreign Nursing Programs Licensed, by Jurisdiction

JD	RN graduates of foreign nursing programs		LPN/VN graduates of foreign nursing programs	
	n	%	n	%
AK				
AL	1	0.07	12	30.00
AR	10	0.72	0	0.00
AS				
AZ				
CARN				
CAVN				
CO				
CT				
DC				
DE				
FL				
GAPN				
GARN				
GU	48	3.46	15	37.50
HI				
IA				
ID				
IL				
IN				
KS				
KY	27	1.94	1	2.50
LAPN				
LARN				
MA				
MD				
ME	126	9.07	0	0.00
MI				
MN	172	12.38	1	2.50
MO	26	1.87	3	7.50
MP				
MS	26	1.87	4	10.00
MT				
NC				
ND	14	1.01	0	0.00
NE				
NH				
NJ				
NM	87	6.26	2	5.00
NV				
NY				
OH	102	7.34	2	5.00
OK	165	11.88	0	0.00
OR				
PA				
PR				

RI				
SC				
SD				
TN				
TXRN	584	42.04	0	0.00
TXVN				
UT				
VA				
VI	1	0.07	0	0.00
VT				
WA				
WI				
WVPN				
WVRN				
WY				
Total	1389	100.00	40	100.00

Total Number of Active Specialty Licenses within the Member Board Jurisdictions

Abbreviation	Category	Active Licenses	
		n	%
CNM	Certified Nurse Midwife	6,560	5.9
CRNA	Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist	26,361	23.7
CNS-PSYCH	Clinical Nurse Specialist - Psychiatry and/or Mental Health (including all its subspecialties)	1,369	1.2
CNS	Clinical Nurse Specialist (all others)	3,397	3.1
CNS-no designation	Clinical Nurse Specialist (no designation)	4,710	4.2
<u>Nurse Practitioners</u>			
AC	Acute Care	377	0.3
AHP	Adult Health	4,387	3.9
CHP	Child Health/Pediatric	3,512	3.2
COL	College Health	12	0.0
EMR	Emergency	65	0.1
FAM	Family	14,302	12.9
FPN	Family Planning	101	0.1
GER	Geriatric	1,366	1.2
NEO	Neonatal	1,640	1.5
WOM	Obstetrical and/or Gynecological and/or Women's Health	4,538	4.1
PSY	Psychiatric and/or Mental Health	1,776	1.6
SCH	School Health	171	0.2
NP	Nurse Practitioner - no specialty designation	28,081	25.3
OTS	Other Specialty (unspecified)	8,358	7.5
Total		*111,083	100.0

*Excludes 3,608 licenses not available by specialty license category

RI	55	153								
SC	117	1149	29	56		45	94	84	6	0
SD	8	252	91							
TN										
TXRN	324	2156	405	1234		49	300	503	1	20
UT	89	150								
VA	175	1214			436	36	450	361		28
VI	11	10		2		1	3	1		
VT	40	50	43	0		3	70	30		
WA	224	125	310				339	185		
WI	96									
WVRN	53	641			87	3	46	25		
WY	7	85			13	1	8	3	0	0
Total	6560	26361	1369	3397	4710	377	4387	3512	12	65

Distribution of Active Specialty Licenses within each Specialty Category, by Jurisdiction (continued)

JD	Types of Nurse Practitioners (continued)									
	FAM	FPN	GER	NEO	WOM	PSY	SCH	NP - No specialty	Other Types	Total Active Licenses
	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
AK	192	0	5	13	56	38	3			491
AL	480		11	53	128			27		2207
AR								372	1162	2146
AS	0	0	0	0	4	0	0			5
AZ	873	0	29	152	339	68	15			2511
CARN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9094		12597
CO									1626	2705
CT								1930		2073
DC								641		954
DE	106	5	5	23	42					472
FL								4916	17	8312
GARN								1934		3431
GU									16	31
HI	66	0	10	15	21	2	0			253
IA	222	0	23	5	137	17	6			1036
ID									280	554
IL										
IN										a
KS	533	7	16	79	27	0	0			1729
KY								775	107	1677
LARN								508		1984
MA						896		3844		5889
MD	443	0	135	137	165	432	1			3413
ME	274	6	9	5	59	2	2		15	1016
MI								1598		3587
MN										
MO	726	0	74	117	224	1	3			3055
MP										a
MS	504	4	13	19	39				1	1054
MT	152	0	9	0	80	0	5			516
NC	792	10	77	126	157	3	1		8	4338
ND	119		17	1	18					403
NE									265	613
NH										955
NJ										2653
NM								492		794
NV	132	13	7	16	55	9			3	366
NY	2506		392	206	787		24		1173	6367
OH								1691		5139
OK	186		3	36	132		1	3		987
OR	471		21	28	144	250				1779
PA	1209	42	166	152	484	24	39		532	3929
PR										a
RI								28	325	561

SC	541	4	14	84	95	0	4	2		2324
SD								193		544
TN									1980	1980
TXRN	1338	0	172	214	809	29	58		23	7635
UT									778	1017
VA	1162	4	50	100	221		1		2	4240
VI	0	5	0	2	2					37
VT	94	0	10	6	6	0	3	33	4	392
WA	860	0	91	31	244		3		22	2434
WI							0			96
WVRN	257	0	3	20	36		2		19	1192
WY	64	1	4	0	27	5	0			218
Total	14302	101	1366	1640	4538	1776	171	28081	8358	*114691

a = no information available

*Includes 3,608 licenses not available by specialty license category

1999 Examination Statistics On-Line Data Collection Methodology

The National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN® examination) and the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN® examination) are administered to licensure candidates on behalf of the National Council's member boards of nursing. The purpose of the licensing examination is to determine if a licensure candidate possesses the minimum knowledge, skills, and abilities to provide safe and effective nursing care at an entry level.

On April 1, 1994, the National Council instituted the use of NCLEX® examination via computerized adaptive testing (CAT) for the NCLEX-RN and NCLEX-PN examinations. The NCLEX examination is available on a year-round basis and statistical information provided by the National Council's test service is reported as follows:

1. Information regarding performance by type of candidate, state of licensure and type program, and country of origin for foreign-educated nurses are reported on a quarterly basis.
2. Charts indicate national passing rates by type of program for first-time, U.S.-educated candidates and all examinees, reported by quarter from 1994 forward and in six-month periods prior to 1994.
3. Annual summary statistics are reported by type of program for first-time, U.S.-educated candidates only.

In keeping with the purpose of licensure examinations, the results are reported as the percent passing. The passing criterion is equivalent to the level of competence a candidate must demonstrate in order to provide a safe and effective standard of nursing care.

From: 1999 Licensure and Examination Statistics

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Definitions

The definitions explain the selected statistical terms used in the Licensure Examination Summary Statistics for First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking NCLEX-RN® and NCLEX-PN® examinations.

Average Number of Test Items (questions) Taken. Average number of items (questions) on which candidate performance is determined. In a variable-length Computerized Adaptive Test (CAT), candidates are administered items only until they satisfy one of the following stopping rules:

- 1) A candidate's measure of competence is known to be above or below the passing standard with at least 95 percent confidence (is significantly above or below the standard) and at least the minimum number of questions has been answered.
- 2) A candidate has taken the maximum number of questions.
- 3) A candidate has been testing for the maximum time.

CAT-Computerized Adaptive Testing. Candidates are administered items appropriate for their current estimated competence level until a confident pass or fail decision can be made, the maximum number of items is answered, or they run out of time.

Estimated Decision Consistency. A measure of examination reliability appropriate for CAT. It is the proportion of pass/fail decisions that would remain the same if all candidates were to be retested with parallel examinations.

****Passing Standard.*** The minimum level of competence a candidate must demonstrate to pass the examination. Currently, the passing standard effective April 1998 is -0.35 for the NCLEX-RN® examination. In April 1999, the passing standard was raised from -0.51 to -0.47 logits for the NCLEX-PN® examination. The RN and PN standards are not directly comparable because they are based on different item pools.

*These statistics are in units, called logits, on the Rasch measurement scale. There is no inherent meaning of the units; they represent an arbitrary scale useful for reporting relative differences. This scale can be used for two purposes: (1) to measure degree of candidate competence (-2 = low; +2 = high), and (2) degree of item difficulty (-2 = easy; +2 = hard).

Number of Candidates Taking NCLEX[®] Examination and Percent Passing, by Type of CandidateNCLEX-PN[®] Examination

Type of Candidate	Jan 1- Mar 31, 1999		Apr 1- Jun 30, 1999		Jul 1 - Sep 30, 1999		Oct 1 - Dec 31, 1999		Totals	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
First Time, U.S.- Educated	7,452	86.9	6,183	85.0	14,793	88.2	8,944	83.7	37,372	86.4
Invalid Program Codes	23	52.2	20	65.0	26	73.1	24	54.2	93	61.3
Repeat, U.S.-educated	1,902	46.3	1,812	42.1	1,755	42.1	1,909	39.2	7,378	42.4
First Time, Foreign-educated	301	51.5	360	48.1	361	44.3	335	45.4	1,357	47.2
Repeat, Foreign-educated	391	20.5	386	19.2	514	17.7	488	21.7	1,779	19.7
All candidates	10,069	75.5	8,761	71.6	17,449	80.5	11,700	72.7	47,979	75.9

Number of Candidates Examined and Passing Rates for First-time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions

NCLEX-PN® Examination

Jurisdiction	Jan 1 - Mar 31, 1999			Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1999			Jul 1 - Sep 30, 1999			Oct 1 - Dec 31, 1999		
	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Alabama	237	191	80.6	156	137	87.8	260	212	81.5	186	148	79.6
Alaska	0	0	0.0*	1	1	100.0	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*
American Samoa	0	0	0.0*	5	0	0.0	3	0	0.0	0	0	0.0*
Arizona	131	122	93.1	134	124	92.5	198	185	93.4	67	63	94.0
Arkansas	193	175	90.7	22	22	100.0	382	339	88.7	48	35	72.9
California	684	502	73.4	675	465	68.9	769	583	75.8	770	548	71.2
Colorado	63	58	92.1	125	116	92.8	248	237	95.6	53	46	86.8
Connecticut	5	4	80.0	21	19	90.5	287	273	95.1	44	38	86.4
Delaware	7	6	85.7	27	25	92.6	88	74	84.1	18	12	66.7
District of Columbia	65	44	67.7	71	46	64.8	75	44	58.7	49	30	61.2
Florida	578	502	86.9	397	334	84.1	649	566	87.2	587	486	82.8
Georgia	278	244	87.8	188	170	90.4	194	167	86.1	297	244	82.2
Guam	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	1	1	100.0
Hawaii	33	26	78.8	31	27	87.1	42	37	88.1	76	67	88.2
Idaho	36	32	88.9	14	14	100.0	64	61	95.3	46	44	95.7
Illinois	182	144	79.1	141	107	75.9	463	402	86.8	335	286	85.4
Indiana	282	256	90.8	84	72	85.7	235	217	92.3	389	349	89.7
Iowa	121	112	92.6	109	98	89.9	422	388	91.9	110	92	83.6
Kansas	81	73	90.1	54	47	87.0	370	334	90.3	52	46	88.5
Kentucky	182	165	90.7	179	156	87.2	254	216	85.0	75	61	81.3
Louisiana	231	212	91.8	226	205	90.7	334	290	86.8	289	261	90.3
Maine	1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0	9	9	100.0	2	2	100.0
Maryland	9	9	100.0	11	9	81.8	112	99	88.4	50	49	98.0
Massachusetts	12	11	91.7	15	13	86.7	559	498	89.1	63	45	71.4
Michigan	220	216	98.2	163	156	95.7	401	379	94.5	134	122	91.0
Minnesota	175	152	86.9	166	147	88.6	467	415	88.9	122	100	82.0
Mississippi	125	99	79.2	18	10	55.6	314	264	84.1	163	109	66.9
Missouri	147	131	89.1	111	88	79.3	404	348	86.1	413	340	82.3
Montana	34	34	100.0	12	11	91.7	28	27	96.4	25	22	88.0

Number of Candidates Examined and Passing Rates for First-time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions (continued)

NCLEX-PN® Examination

Jurisdiction	Jan 1 - Mar 31, 1999			Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1999			Jul 1 - Sep 30, 1999			Oct 1 - Dec 31, 1999		
	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Nebraska	28	27	96.4	51	50	98.0	87	82	94.3	52	50	96.2
Nevada	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	14	14	100.0	1	1	100.0
New Hampshire	9	9	100.0	56	53	94.6	48	45	93.8	15	13	86.7
New Jersey	137	100	73.0	92	73	79.3	202	173	85.6	214	177	82.7
New Mexico	14	12	85.7	17	15	88.2	95	87	91.6	12	12	100.0
New York	557	476	85.5	690	566	82.0	1250	1026	82.1	709	525	74.0
North Carolina	217	207	95.4	66	59	89.4	342	326	95.3	233	222	95.3
North Dakota	13	10	76.9	32	31	96.9	47	44	93.6	25	24	96.0
Northern Mariana Islands	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*
Ohio	172	158	91.9	188	164	87.2	807	755	93.6	368	328	89.1
Oklahoma	233	200	85.8	120	109	90.8	775	680	87.7	91	76	83.5
Oregon	23	23	100.0	21	21	100.0	136	135	99.3	56	54	96.4
Pennsylvania	325	282	86.8	229	185	80.8	365	315	86.3	401	330	82.3
Puerto Rico	8	2	25.0	7	0	0.0	11	1	9.1	2	0	0.0
Rhode Island	2	2	100.0	1	1	100.0	13	11	84.6	12	10	83.3
South Carolina	111	106	95.5	30	21	70.0	216	198	91.7	93	84	90.3
South Dakota	3	3	100.0	1	1	100.0	45	44	97.8	9	9	100.0
Tennessee	100	94	94.0	287	261	90.9	148	134	90.5	421	382	90.7
Texas	945	841	89.0	431	381	88.4	1373	1227	89.4	998	869	87.1
Utah	119	114	95.8	116	115	99.1	325	311	95.7	49	43	87.8
Vermont	3	3	100.0	2	2	100.0	45	44	97.8	5	3	60.0
Virgin Islands	0	0	0.0*	2	1	50.0	3	2	66.7	3	2	66.7
Virginia	87	67	77.0	361	326	90.3	357	296	82.9	187	151	80.7
Washington	99	92	92.9	155	141	91.0	164	159	97.0	269	250	92.9
West Virginia	63	58	92.1	31	22	71.0	180	159	88.3	181	157	86.7
Wisconsin	61	59	96.7	31	26	83.9	89	86	96.6	62	58	93.5
Wyoming	11	11	100.0	9	9	100.0	25	24	96.0	12	12	100.0
Totals	7452	6477	86.9	6183	5253	85.0	14793	13042	88.2	8944	7488	83.7

*no candidates tested

Number of First-time Candidates Not Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions Taking NCLEX-PN[®] Examination and Percent Passing

NCLEX-PN[®] Examination

Country of Education	Jan 1 - Mar 31, 1999			Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1999			Jul 1 - Sep 30, 1999			Oct 1 - Dec 31, 1999		
	Candidate s Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidate s Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidate s Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Albania				1	1	100.0						
Angola							1	0	0.0			
Argentina										1	0	0.0
Australia	1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0						
Bahamas				1	1	100.0						
Bangladesh				1	1	100.0						
Barbados							1	1	100.0			
Belize (British Honduras)	1	1	100.0							1	0	0.0
Bolivia				1	0	0.0						
Bosnia and Herzegovina										1	0	0.0
Brazil				3	1	33.3						
British West Indies				1	0	0.0				1	0	0.0
Bulgaria							1	0	0.0			
Canada	13	6	46.2	16	9	56.3	11	6	54.5	10	8	80.0
Central African Republic				1	0	0.0						
Chile	1	1	100.0									
Colombia	1	1	100.0							1	1	100.0
Costa Rica				1	1	100.0						
Croatia							1	0	0.0			
Cuba	1	0	0.0				1	1	100.0			
Dominica				1	1	100.0						
Dominican Republic	1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0
Egypt, Arab Republic of										1	1	100.0
England	4	3	75.0	3	3	100.0	1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0
Eritrea										1	1	100.0

Number of First-time Candidates Not Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions Taking NCLEX-PN® Examination and Percent Passing (continued)

NCLEX-PN® Examination

Country of Education	Jan 1 - Mar 31, 1999			Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1999			Jul 1 - Sep 30, 1999			Oct 1 - Dec 31, 1999		
	Candidate s Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidate s Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidate s Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Ethiopia	5	4	80.0	2	1	50.0	3	2	66.7			
Falkland Islands	1	0	0.0									
Fiji Islands	1	0	0.0				1	0	0.0			
Finland				1	1	100.0						
French Polynesia							1	1	100.0	2	2	100.0
Gabon				1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0
Germany	2	1	50.0	1	1	100.0	3	3	100.0	1	1	100.0
Ghana	4	3	75.0	4	1	25.0	7	5	71.4	2	0	0.0
Greece							1	0	0.0			
Grenada and the Grenadines							1	1	100.0			
Guayana	2	0	0.0	5	2	40.0	8	3	37.5	4	1	25.0
Haiti	4	1	25.0	11	0	0.0	20	1	5.0	10	0	0.0
Honduras										1	0	0.0
Hong Kong				2	1	50.0						
Hungary							1	0	0.0			
India	38	21	55.3	35	16	45.7	40	18	45.0	30	11	36.7
Indonesia	2	1	50.0				2	1	50.0	2	0	0.0
Iran	7	4	57.1	4	2	50.0				4	4	100.0
Iraq										1	0	0.0
Ireland				2	2	100.0				1	1	100.0
Israel	1	0	0.0	2	1	50.0	2	1	50.0			
Italy							1	0	0.0			
Ivory Coast										1	0	0.0
Jamaica	2	2	100.0				2	1	50.0	2	2	100.0
Japan	1	0	0.0	2	2	100.0	1	1	100.0	2	2	100.0
Kazakhstan							1	0	0.0			
Kenya	1	0	0.0	3	1	33.3	4	4	100.0	1	1	100.0
Korea	3	3	100.0	2	2	100.0	4	2	50.0	3	1	33.3

Number of First-time Candidates Not Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions Taking NCLEX-PN® Examination and Percent Passing (continued)

NCLEX-PN® Examination

Country of Education	Jan 1 - Mar 31, 1999			Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1999			Jul 1 - Sep 30, 1999			Oct 1 - Dec 31, 1999		
	Candidate s Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidate s Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidate s Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Korea (North)	1	1	100.0									
Liberia							1	0	0.0			
Lithuania										1	0	0.0
Macau	1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0						
Marshall Islands							1	1	100.0			
Mexico	3	0	0.0	4	3	75.0	3	0	0.0			
Moldova										1	1	100.0
Nepal	1	0	0.0				1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0
Nicaragua										1	0	0.0
Niger										1	0	0.0
Nigeria	19	10	52.6	27	16	59.3	28	20	71.4	29	13	44.8
Norway							1	0	0.0			
Pakistan	1	0	0.0				1	0	0.0			
Panama, Republic of							1	0	0.0			
Peoples Republic of China	2	1	50.0	9	4	44.4	6	2	33.3	6	3	50.0
Peru	1	0	0.0	3	2	66.7	1	1	100.0	2	2	100.0
Philippines	131	66	50.4	158	71	44.9	164	66	40.2	164	77	47.0
Poland	4	3	75.0	3	2	66.7	2	1	50.0	4	1	25.0
Rumania Romaia	3	1	33.3	1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	3	2	66.7
Russia	25	10	40.0	18	7	38.9	10	4	40.0	19	8	42.1
Scotland				1	1	100.0						
Sierra Leone	1	1	100.0	5	2	40.0	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
Singapore	1	1	100.0									
South Africa				2	2	100.0						
St Vincent				1	1	100.0				1	0	0.0
Sweden				1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0
Taiwan (Republic of China)	3	2	66.7	4	3	75.0	3	1	33.3	1	0	0.0

Number of First-time Candidates Not Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions Taking NCLEX-PN® Examination and Percent Passing (continued)

NCLEX-PN® Examination

Country of Education	Jan 1 - Mar 31, 1999			Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1999			Jul 1 - Sep 30, 1999			Oct 1 - Dec 31, 1999		
	Candidate s Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidate s Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidate s Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Tajikistan							1	1	100.0			
Tanzania, United Republic of										1	0	0.0
Thailand	2	1	50.0	2	1	50.0				2	2	100.0
Trinidad & Tobago										2	2	100.0
Uganda	1	1	100.0									
Ukraine	1	0	0.0	3	2	66.7	4	1	25.0	2	1	50.0
Uruguay							1	1	100.0			
Uzbekistan	1	1	100.0	8	2	25.0	5	2	40.0	4	1	25.0
Vatican City State	1	0	0.0									
Zaire							1	0	0.0			
Zambia										1	1	100.0
Zimbabwe	1	1	100.0				1	1	100.0			
Total	301	155	51.5	360	173	48.1	361	160	44.3	335	152	45.4

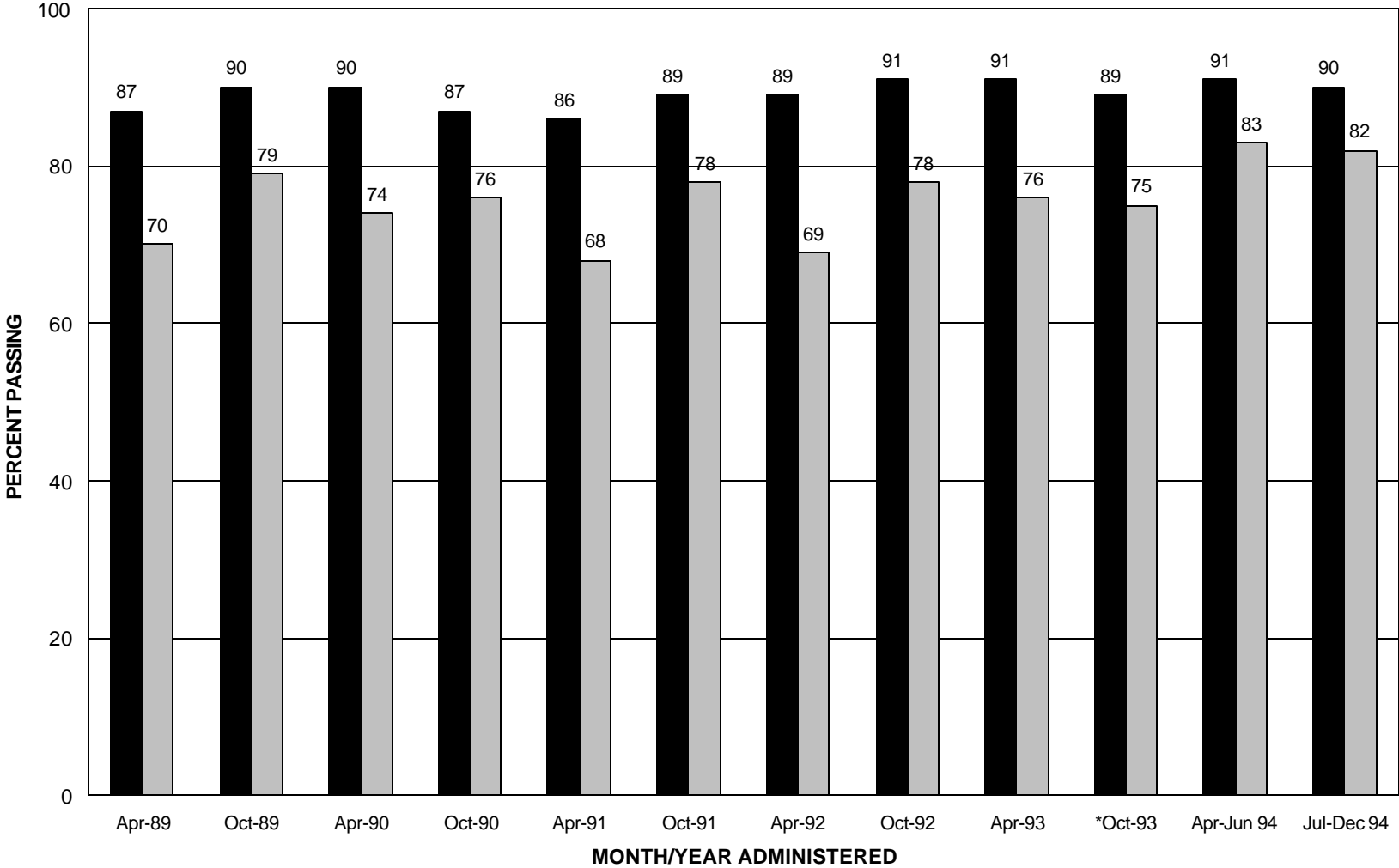
Summary Statistics for First-time, U.S.-educated Candidates Taking NCLEX-PN[®] Examination, January - December 1999

NCLEX-PN[®] Examination

	January - December 1999
*Passing Standard	
January-March 1999	-0.51
April-December 1999	-0.47
Estimated Decision Consistency	0.90
Average Number of Test Items (Questions) Taken	118
Percent Taking Minimum Number of Items	52.6%
Percent Taking Maximum Number of Items	18.1%
Average Testing Time	2.24 hrs
Percent Taking Maximum Amount of Time	1.7%

*The passing standard was raised from -0.51 to -0.47 on April 1, 1999. The passing standard is presented in units, called logits, on the Rasch measurement scale.

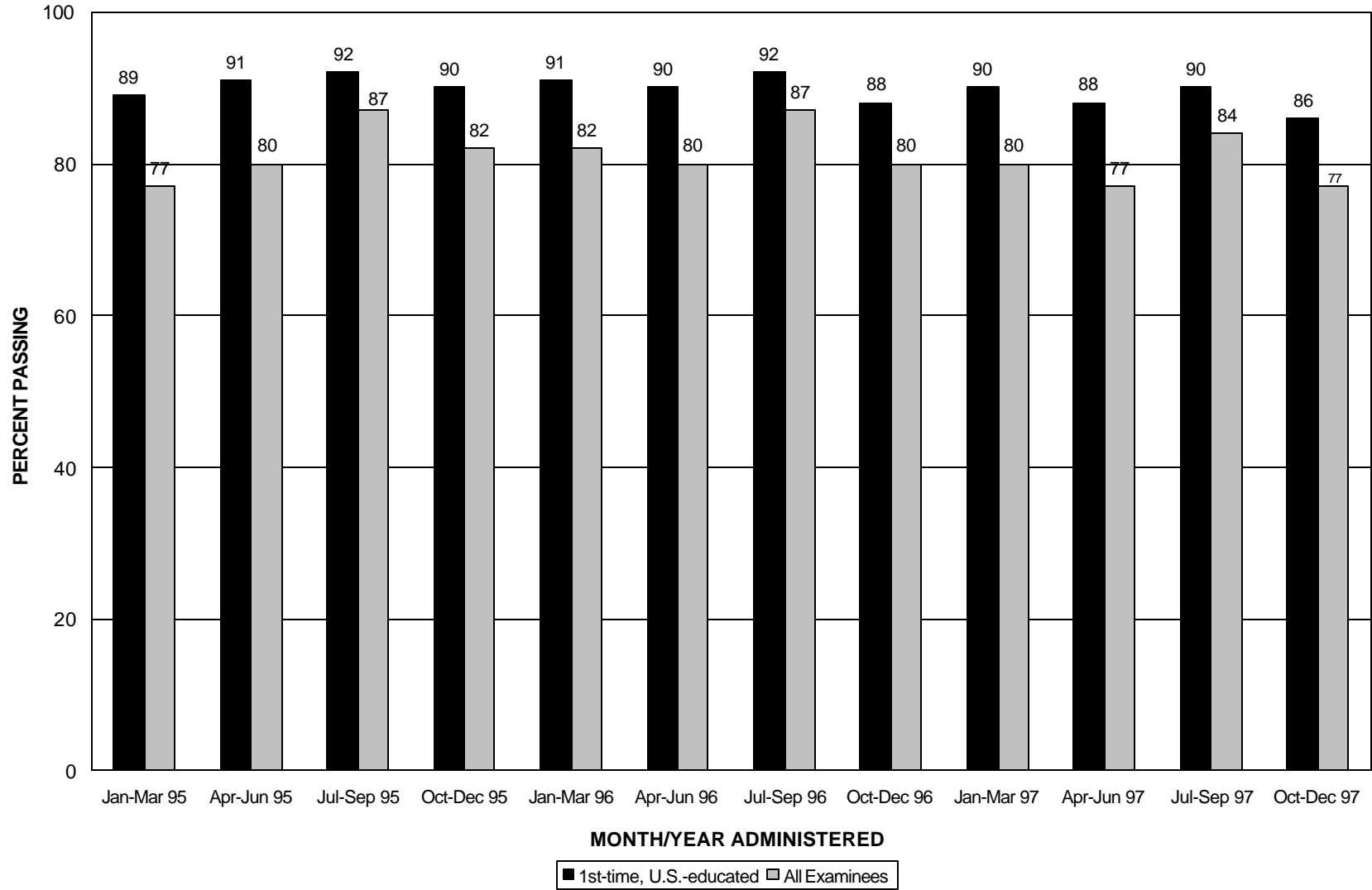
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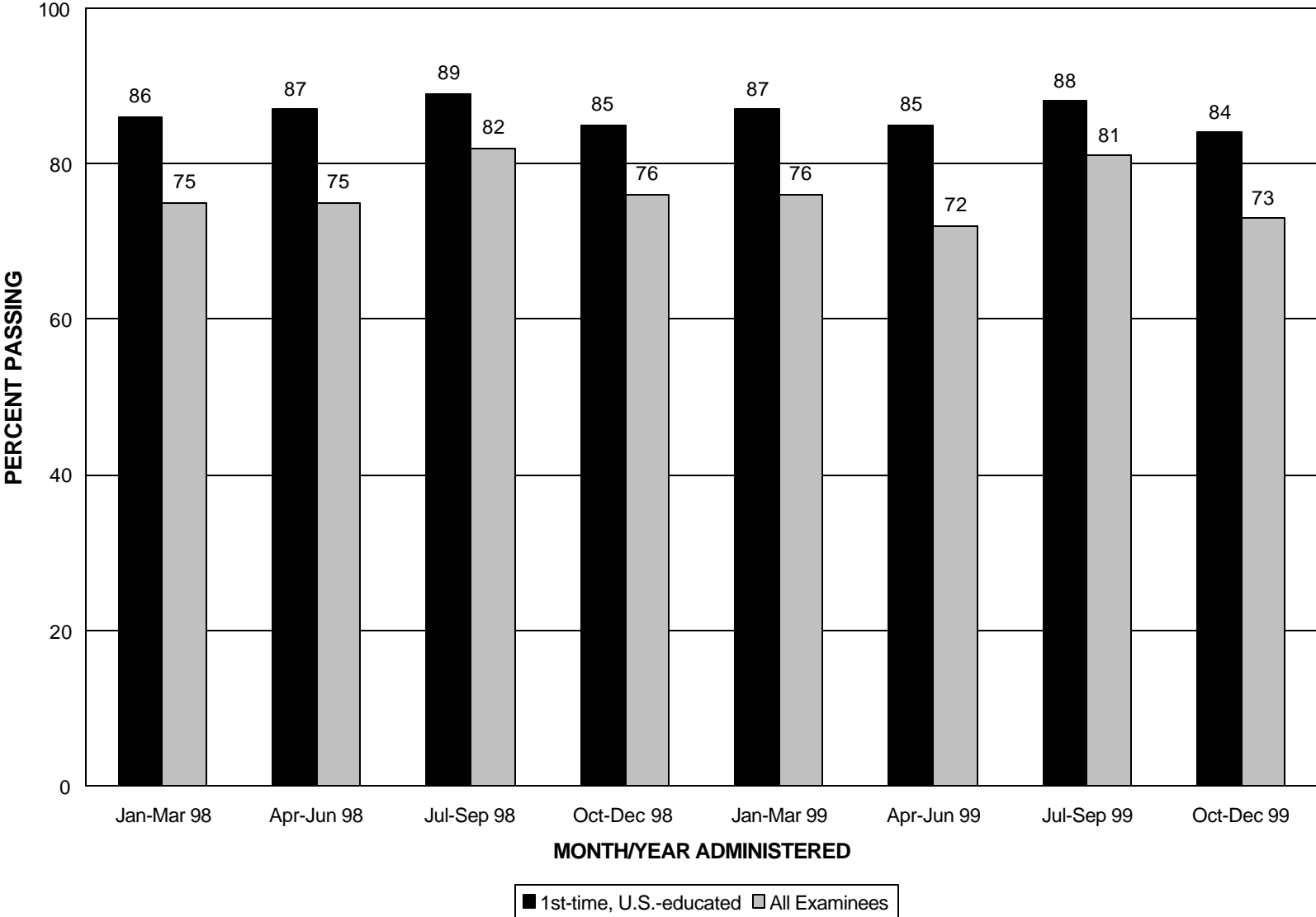
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■ 1st-time, U.S.-educated □ All Examinees

NATIONAL PASSING RATE: LICENSED PRACTICAL/VOCATIONAL NURSES, 1995-1997



NATIONAL PASSING RATE: LICENSED PRACTICAL/VOCATIONAL NURSES, 1998-1999



Number of Candidates Taking NCLEX-RN® Examination and Percent Passing, by Type of Candidate

NCLEX-RN® Examination

Type of Candidate	Jan 1- Mar 31, 1999		Apr 1- Jun 30, 1999		Jul 1 - Sep 30, 1999		Oct 1 - Dec 31, 1999		Totals	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
First-time, U.S.-educated										
Diploma	864	85.0	575	91.3	1,448	85.1	274	75.5	3,161	85.3
Associate Degree	8,687	83.9	11,288	87.7	22,196	84.9	3,084	75.2	45,255	84.7
Baccalaureate Degree	5,861	85.7	6,410	89.1	14,180	84.1	1,656	70.7	28,107	84.8
Type Total	15,412	84.7	18,273	88.3	37,824	84.6	5,014	73.7	76,523	84.8
Invalid Program Codes	17	58.8	22	54.5	24	66.7	21	47.6	84	57.1
Repeat, U.S.-educated	4,799	46.4	4,851	51.9	4,231	50.1	6,850	52.6	20,731	50.5
First-time, Foreign-educated	1,372	43.7	1,535	49.1	1,686	51.2	1,788	46.1	6,381	47.7
Repeat, Foreign-educated	2,144	16.6	2,321	19.4	2,421	19.0	2,589	15.0	9,475	17.5
All candidates	23,744	68.4	27,002	73.6	46,186	76.8	16,262	52.4	113,194	70.8

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Jurisdiction	Total			Diploma			Associate Degree			Baccalaureate Degree		
	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Alabama	451	367	81.4	0	0	0.0*	249	196	78.7	202	171	84.7
Alaska	18	15	83.3	0	0	0.0*	1	1	100.0	17	14	82.4
American Samoa	1	0	0.0	0	0	0.0*	1	0	0.0	0	0	0.0*
Arizona	347	304	87.6	0	0	0.0*	217	187	86.2	130	117	90.0
Arkansas	226	199	88.1	153	135	88.2	58	50	86.2	15	14	93.3
California	1365	1183	86.7	0	0	0.0*	1021	887	86.9	344	296	86.0
Colorado	117	102	87.2	0	0	0.0*	77	64	83.1	40	38	95.0
Connecticut	31	26	83.9	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	31	26	83.9
Delaware	57	47	82.5	0	0	0.0*	47	39	83.0	10	8	80.0
District of Columbia	12	6	50.0	0	0	0.0*	1	0	0.0	11	6	54.5
Florida	699	559	80.0	0	0	0.0*	580	466	80.3	119	93	78.2
Georgia	189	157	83.1	0	0	0.0*	89	72	80.9	100	85	85.0
Guam	3	0	0.0	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	3	0	0.0
Hawaii	45	40	88.9	0	0	0.0*	19	16	84.2	26	24	92.3
Idaho	22	22	100.0	0	0	0.0*	13	13	100.0	9	9	100.0
Illinois	769	643	83.6	74	59	79.7	304	248	81.6	391	336	85.9
Indiana	401	342	85.3	5	2	40.0	245	209	85.3	151	131	86.8
Iowa	216	182	84.3	0	0	0.0*	122	97	79.5	94	85	90.4
Kansas	236	183	77.5	0	0	0.0*	113	86	76.1	123	97	78.9
Kentucky	375	310	82.7	0	0	0.0*	273	223	81.7	102	87	85.3
Louisiana	664	601	90.5	35	34	97.1	241	217	90.0	388	350	90.2
Maine	24	19	79.2	0	0	0.0*	1	1	100.0	23	18	78.3
Maryland	344	302	87.8	0	0	0.0*	178	159	89.3	166	143	86.1
Massachusetts	335	294	87.8	23	20	87.0	151	131	86.8	161	143	88.8
Michigan	628	543	86.5	1	1	100.0	347	299	86.2	280	243	86.8
Minnesota	141	115	81.6	0	0	0.0*	101	81	80.2	40	34	85.0
Mississippi	335	293	87.5	0	0	0.0*	200	173	86.5	135	120	88.9
Missouri	545	461	84.6	19	14	73.7	336	282	83.9	190	165	86.8

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Jurisdiction	Total			Diploma			Associate Degree			Baccalaureate Degree		
	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Montana	62	59	95.2	0	0	0.0*	2	1	50.0	60	58	96.7
Nebraska	158	141	89.2	28	26	92.9	2	1	50.0	128	114	89.1
Nevada	95	79	83.2	0	0	0.0*	48	38	79.2	47	41	87.2
New Hampshire	11	7	63.6	0	0	0.0*	10	6	60.0	1	1	100.0
New Jersey	355	314	88.5	151	134	88.7	201	178	88.6	3	2	66.7
New Mexico	118	104	88.1	0	0	0.0*	75	65	86.7	43	39	90.7
New York	935	761	81.4	14	11	78.6	789	645	81.7	132	105	79.5
North Carolina	130	115	88.5	20	19	95.0	37	34	91.9	73	62	84.9
North Dakota	55	48	87.3	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	55	48	87.3
Northern Mariana Islands	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*
Ohio	667	565	84.7	110	92	83.6	421	360	85.5	136	113	83.1
Oklahoma	171	135	78.9	0	0	0.0*	146	115	78.8	25	20	80.0
Oregon	15	10	66.7	0	0	0.0*	12	9	75.0	3	1	33.3
Pennsylvania	373	293	78.6	143	109	76.2	73	50	68.5	157	134	85.4
Puerto Rico	35	4	11.4	0	0	0.0*	7	0	0.0	28	4	14.3
Rhode Island	49	38	77.6	0	0	0.0*	29	26	89.7	20	12	60.0
South Carolina	317	282	89.0	0	0	0.0*	192	173	90.1	125	109	87.2
South Dakota	47	41	87.2	0	0	0.0*	4	2	50.0	43	39	90.7
Tennessee	400	350	87.5	1	1	100.0	111	86	77.5	288	263	91.3
Texas	1528	1314	86.0	32	28	87.5	764	665	87.0	732	621	84.8
Utah	167	146	87.4	0	0	0.0*	102	87	85.3	65	59	90.8
Vermont	6	4	66.7	0	0	0.0*	5	3	60.0	1	1	100.0
Virgin Islands	2	0	0.0	0	0	0.0*	2	0	0.0	0	0	0.0*
Virginia	266	218	82.0	55	49	89.1	148	120	81.1	63	49	77.8
Washington	263	233	88.6	0	0	0.0*	140	124	88.6	123	109	88.6
West Virginia	54	41	75.9	0	0	0.0*	47	35	74.5	7	6	85.7
Wisconsin	532	427	80.3	0	0	0.0*	331	267	80.7	201	160	79.6
Wyoming	5	3	60.0	0	0	0.0*	4	2	50.0	1	1	100.0
Total	15412	13047	84.7	864	734	85.0	8687	7289	83.9	5861	5024	85.7

*no candidates tested

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Jurisdiction	Total			Diploma			Associate Degree			Baccalaureate Degree		
	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Alabama	456	376	82.5	0	0	0.0*	355	292	82.3	101	84	83.2
Alaska	7	7	100.0	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	7	7	100.0
American Samoa	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*
Arizona	272	250	91.9	0	0	0.0*	187	171	91.4	85	79	92.9
Arkansas	495	438	88.5	3	3	100.0	298	263	88.3	194	172	88.7
California	894	752	84.1	0	0	0.0*	638	537	84.2	256	215	84.0
Colorado	245	221	90.2	0	0	0.0*	155	139	89.7	90	82	91.1
Connecticut	83	78	94.0	27	25	92.6	17	16	94.1	39	37	94.9
Delaware	53	46	86.8	5	5	100.0	34	28	82.4	14	13	92.9
District of Columbia	18	14	77.8	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	18	14	77.8
Florida	532	431	81.0	0	0	0.0*	416	339	81.5	116	92	79.3
Georgia	503	448	89.1	1	1	100.0	275	250	90.9	227	197	86.8
Guam	1	0	0.0	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	1	0	0.0
Hawaii	36	28	77.8	0	0	0.0*	12	8	66.7	24	20	83.3
Idaho	100	92	92.0	0	0	0.0*	91	86	94.5	9	6	66.7
Illinois	448	379	84.6	25	21	84.0	220	184	83.6	203	174	85.7
Indiana	596	535	89.8	8	6	75.0	360	320	88.9	228	209	91.7
Iowa	347	303	87.3	10	9	90.0	196	167	85.2	141	127	90.1
Kansas	130	105	80.8	0	0	0.0*	98	79	80.6	32	26	81.3
Kentucky	692	638	92.2	0	0	0.0*	452	415	91.8	240	223	92.9
Louisiana	72	62	86.1	0	0	0.0*	39	32	82.1	33	30	90.9
Maine	233	216	92.7	0	0	0.0*	147	136	92.5	86	80	93.0
Maryland	344	309	89.8	8	8	100.0	260	237	91.2	76	64	84.2
Massachusetts	421	373	88.6	36	31	86.1	250	224	89.6	135	118	87.4
Michigan	828	752	90.8	0	0	0.0*	485	439	90.5	343	313	91.3
Minnesota	287	261	90.9	0	0	0.0*	218	199	91.3	69	62	89.9
Mississippi	638	565	88.6	0	0	0.0*	474	428	90.3	164	137	83.5
Missouri	261	215	82.4	4	3	75.0	186	150	80.6	71	62	87.3

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Jurisdiction	Total			Diploma			Associate Degree			Baccalaureate Degree		
	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Montana	40	35	87.5	0	0	0.0*	20	15	75.0	20	20	100.0
Nebraska	284	270	95.1	1	1	100.0	99	92	92.9	184	177	96.2
Nevada	66	63	95.5	0	0	0.0*	42	39	92.9	24	24	100.0
New Hampshire	61	58	95.1	0	0	0.0*	54	51	94.4	7	7	100.0
New Jersey	267	240	89.9	61	55	90.2	108	99	91.7	98	86	87.8
New Mexico	89	80	89.9	0	0	0.0*	73	67	91.8	16	13	81.3
New York	1071	857	80.0	9	8	88.9	807	645	79.9	255	204	80.0
North Carolina	1259	1175	93.3	74	71	95.9	835	774	92.7	350	330	94.3
North Dakota	127	121	95.3	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	127	121	95.3
Northern Mariana Islands	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*
Ohio	876	780	89.0	96	91	94.8	373	325	87.1	407	364	89.4
Oklahoma	562	480	85.4	0	0	0.0*	356	299	84.0	206	181	87.9
Oregon	115	109	94.8	0	0	0.0*	32	30	93.8	83	79	95.2
Pennsylvania	351	294	83.8	73	59	80.8	85	62	72.9	193	173	89.6
Puerto Rico	28	4	14.3	0	0	0.0*	9	1	11.1	19	3	15.8
Rhode Island	30	25	83.3	10	9	90.0	9	6	66.7	11	10	90.9
South Carolina	552	496	89.9	0	0	0.0*	387	353	91.2	165	143	86.7
South Dakota	106	92	86.8	0	0	0.0*	50	41	82.0	56	51	91.1
Tennessee	717	669	93.3	41	41	100.0	386	360	93.3	290	268	92.4
Texas	1575	1435	91.1	24	24	100.0	1069	967	90.5	482	444	92.1
Utah	88	71	80.7	0	0	0.0*	66	53	80.3	22	18	81.8
Vermont	25	19	76.0	0	0	0.0*	17	12	70.6	8	7	87.5
Virgin Islands	1	0	0.0	0	0	0.0*	1	0	0.0	0	0	0.0*
Virginia	426	369	86.6	59	54	91.5	248	204	82.3	119	111	93.3
Washington	178	160	89.9	0	0	0.0*	108	99	91.7	70	61	87.1
West Virginia	180	158	87.8	0	0	0.0*	110	95	86.4	70	63	90.0
Wisconsin	170	148	87.1	0	0	0.0*	57	48	84.2	113	100	88.5
Wyoming	37	34	91.9	0	0	0.0*	24	22	91.7	13	12	92.3
Total	18273	16136	88.3	575	525	91.3	11288	9898	87.7	6410	5713	89.1

*no candidates tested

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Jurisdiction	Total			Diploma			Associate Degree			Baccalaureate Degree		
	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Alabama	919	779	84.8	0	0	0.0*	555	460	82.9	364	319	87.6
Alaska	53	50	94.3	0	0	0.0*	20	19	95.0	33	31	93.9
American Samoa	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*
Arizona	338	294	87.0	0	0	0.0*	239	206	86.2	99	88	88.9
Arkansas	220	176	80.0	2	2	100.0	119	94	79.0	99	80	80.8
California	2462	2088	84.8	0	0	0.0*	1688	1452	86.0	774	636	82.2
Colorado	350	294	84.0	0	0	0.0*	162	133	82.1	188	161	85.6
Connecticut	532	485	91.2	11	11	100.0	234	215	91.9	287	259	90.2
Delaware	159	138	86.8	6	5	83.3	52	50	96.2	101	83	82.2
District of Columbia	139	96	69.1	0	0	0.0*	12	7	58.3	127	89	70.1
Florida	1921	1637	85.2	0	0	0.0*	1385	1198	86.5	536	439	81.9
Georgia	871	728	83.6	0	0	0.0*	475	408	85.9	396	320	80.8
Guam	12	9	75.0	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	12	9	75.0
Hawaii	148	116	78.4	0	0	0.0*	68	55	80.9	80	61	76.3
Idaho	189	157	83.1	0	0	0.0*	127	100	78.7	62	57	91.9
Illinois	1989	1655	83.2	22	18	81.8	1195	1024	85.7	772	613	79.4
Indiana	834	710	85.1	7	6	85.7	513	430	83.8	314	274	87.3
Iowa	588	484	82.3	4	4	100.0	431	359	83.3	153	121	79.1
Kansas	672	548	81.5	0	0	0.0*	336	271	80.7	336	277	82.4
Kentucky	463	394	85.1	0	0	0.0*	351	296	84.3	112	98	87.5
Louisiana	844	771	91.4	0	0	0.0*	398	362	91.0	446	409	91.7
Maine	189	152	80.4	0	0	0.0*	111	83	74.8	78	69	88.5
Maryland	678	602	88.8	9	9	100.0	314	282	89.8	355	311	87.6
Massachusetts	1223	1035	84.6	145	120	82.8	554	468	84.5	524	447	85.3
Michigan	1252	1091	87.1	0	0	0.0*	862	751	87.1	390	340	87.2
Minnesota	1006	875	87.0	0	0	0.0*	599	514	85.8	407	361	88.7
Mississippi	311	262	84.2	0	0	0.0*	209	181	86.6	102	81	79.4
Missouri	1058	884	83.6	50	34	68.0	526	452	85.9	482	398	82.6

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Jurisdiction	Total			Diploma			Associate Degree			Baccalaureate Degree		
	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Montana	112	94	83.9	0	0	0.0*	59	47	79.7	53	47	88.7
Nebraska	170	145	85.3	31	27	87.1	44	38	86.4	95	80	84.2
Nevada	145	126	86.9	0	0	0.0*	81	70	86.4	64	56	87.5
New Hampshire	328	286	87.2	0	0	0.0*	208	182	87.5	120	104	86.7
New Jersey	814	691	84.9	236	199	84.3	388	343	88.4	190	149	78.4
New Mexico	265	222	83.8	0	0	0.0*	222	182	82.0	43	40	93.0
New York	3308	2725	82.4	88	75	85.2	2270	1903	83.8	950	747	78.6
North Carolina	1083	901	83.2	49	39	79.6	728	602	82.7	306	260	85.0
North Dakota	103	89	86.4	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	103	89	86.4
Northern Mariana Islands	4	2	50.0	0	0	0.0*	4	2	50.0	0	0	0.0*
Ohio	1930	1641	85.0	175	153	87.4	1010	844	83.6	745	644	86.4
Oklahoma	413	321	77.7	0	0	0.0*	255	194	76.1	158	127	80.4
Oregon	518	483	93.2	0	0	0.0*	320	293	91.6	198	190	96.0
Pennsylvania	2295	1911	83.3	408	352	86.3	943	781	82.8	944	778	82.4
Puerto Rico	36	5	13.9	0	0	0.0*	15	2	13.3	21	3	14.3
Rhode Island	298	253	84.9	10	8	80.0	151	140	92.7	137	105	76.6
South Carolina	252	212	84.1	0	0	0.0*	182	154	84.6	70	58	82.9
South Dakota	233	178	76.4	0	0	0.0*	141	103	73.0	92	75	81.5
Tennessee	674	587	87.1	38	36	94.7	348	302	86.8	288	249	86.5
Texas-RN	1707	1437	84.2	60	50	83.3	1085	901	83.0	562	486	86.5
Utah	340	286	84.1	0	0	0.0*	257	213	82.9	83	73	88.0
Vermont	125	107	85.6	0	0	0.0*	71	62	87.3	54	45	83.3
Virgin Islands	5	4	80.0	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	5	4	80.0
Virginia	1053	876	83.2	97	84	86.6	561	464	82.7	395	328	83.0
Washington	667	586	87.9	0	0	0.0*	471	414	87.9	196	172	87.8
West Virginia-RN	539	451	83.7	0	0	0.0*	334	285	85.3	205	166	81.0
Wisconsin	875	776	88.7	0	0	0.0*	421	369	87.6	454	407	89.6
Wyoming	112	97	86.6	0	0	0.0*	92	79	85.9	20	18	90.0
Total	37824	32002	84.6	1448	1232	85.1	22196	18839	84.9	14180	11931	84.1

*no candidates tested

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Jurisdiction	Total			Diploma			Associate Degree			Baccalaureate Degree		
	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Alabama	161	127	78.9	0	0	0.0*	57	37	64.9	104	90	86.5
Alaska	8	6	75.0	0	0	0.0*	1	1	100.0	7	5	71.4
American Samoa	1	0	0.0	0	0	0.0*	1	0	0.0	0	0	0.0*
Arizona	21	15	71.4	0	0	0.0*	13	8	61.5	8	7	87.5
Arkansas	82	66	80.5	71	62	87.3	7	4	57.1	4	0	0.0
California	565	391	69.2	0	0	0.0*	412	288	69.9	153	103	67.3
Colorado	68	60	88.2	0	0	0.0*	24	22	91.7	44	38	86.4
Connecticut	21	16	76.2	0	0	0.0*	10	10	100.0	11	6	54.5
Delaware	14	5	35.7	0	0	0.0*	7	4	57.1	7	1	14.3
District of Columbia	19	12	63.2	0	0	0.0*	2	1	50.0	17	11	64.7
Florida	495	393	79.4	0	0	0.0*	413	335	81.1	82	58	70.7
Georgia	126	92	73.0	0	0	0.0*	69	51	73.9	57	41	71.9
Guam	12	2	16.7	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	12	2	16.7
Hawaii	29	21	72.4	0	0	0.0*	6	4	66.7	23	17	73.9
Idaho	11	10	90.9	0	0	0.0*	10	9	90.0	1	1	100.0
Illinois	193	130	67.4	1	1	100.0	125	84	67.2	67	45	67.2
Indiana	80	65	81.3	1	1	100.0	53	43	81.1	26	21	80.8
Iowa	87	63	72.4	0	0	0.0*	72	51	70.8	15	12	80.0
Kansas	19	9	47.4	0	0	0.0*	10	5	50.0	9	4	44.4
Kentucky	22	16	72.7	0	0	0.0*	14	10	71.4	8	6	75.0
Louisiana	63	46	73.0	0	0	0.0*	5	4	80.0	58	42	72.4
Maine	10	5	50.0	0	0	0.0*	5	3	60.0	5	2	40.0
Maryland	48	33	68.8	0	0	0.0*	18	12	66.7	30	21	70.0
Massachusetts	74	40	54.1	5	1	20.0	33	21	63.6	36	18	50.0
Michigan	131	94	71.8	1	1	100.0	102	75	73.5	28	18	64.3
Minnesota	73	60	82.2	0	0	0.0*	57	48	84.2	16	12	75.0
Mississippi	19	13	68.4	0	0	0.0*	3	2	66.7	16	11	68.8
Missouri	91	65	71.4	9	4	44.4	64	46	71.9	18	15	83.3

Number of Candidates Examined and Passing Rates for First-time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions, by Degree Type
(continued)

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October 1 - December 31, 1999

Jurisdiction	Total			Diploma			Associate Degree			Baccalaureate Degree		
	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Montana	5	3	60.0	0	0	0.0*	3	2	66.7	2	1	50.0
Nebraska	42	36	85.7	1	0	0.0	29	27	93.1	12	9	75.0
Nevada	7	7	100.0	0	0	0.0*	4	4	100.0	3	3	100.0
New Hampshire	19	16	84.2	0	0	0.0*	15	12	80.0	4	4	100.0
New Jersey	72	55	76.4	26	19	73.1	29	24	82.8	17	12	70.6
New Mexico	22	14	63.6	0	0	0.0*	15	9	60.0	7	5	71.4
New York	1005	750	74.6	13	9	69.2	785	607	77.3	207	134	64.7
North Carolina	40	28	70.0	2	2	100.0	22	15	68.2	16	11	68.8
North Dakota	7	6	85.7	0	0	0.0*	0	0	0.0*	7	6	85.7
Northern Mariana Island	5	5	100.0	0	0	0.0*	5	5	100.0	0	0	0.0*
Ohio	176	137	77.8	13	11	84.6	109	86	78.9	54	40	74.1
Oklahoma	15	12	80.0	0	0	0.0*	4	4	100.0	11	8	72.7
Oregon	26	20	76.9	0	0	0.0*	18	15	83.3	8	5	62.5
Pennsylvania	369	269	72.9	117	83	70.9	106	82	77.4	146	104	71.2
Puerto Rico	39	5	12.8	0	0	0.0*	12	1	8.3	27	4	14.8
Rhode Island	14	10	71.4	1	1	100.0	5	3	60.0	8	6	75.0
South Carolina	16	13	81.3	0	0	0.0*	13	11	84.6	3	2	66.7
South Dakota	20	10	50.0	0	0	0.0*	17	8	47.1	3	2	66.7
Tennessee	17	14	82.4	1	1	100.0	7	5	71.4	9	8	88.9
Texas-RN	211	164	77.7	6	6	100.0	134	104	77.6	71	54	76.1
Utah	81	62	76.5	0	0	0.0*	29	16	55.2	52	46	88.5
Vermont	13	6	46.2	0	0	0.0*	8	3	37.5	5	3	60.0
Virgin Islands	9	5	55.6	0	0	0.0*	3	2	66.7	6	3	50.0
Virginia	122	98	80.3	5	4	80.0	74	59	79.7	43	35	81.4
Washington	42	36	85.7	0	0	0.0*	23	21	91.3	19	15	78.9
West Virginia	4	3	75.0	1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	2	2	100.0
Wisconsin	68	55	80.9	0	0	0.0*	18	15	83.3	50	40	80.0
Wyoming	5	3	60.0	0	0	0.0*	3	2	66.7	2	1	50.0
Total	5014	3697	73.7	274	207	75.5	3084	2320	75.2	1656	1170	70.7

*no candidates tested

Number of First-time Candidates Not Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions Taking NCLEX® Examination and Percent Passing

NCLEX-RN® Examination

Country of Education	Jan 1 - Mar 31, 1999			Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1999			Jul 1 - Sep 30, 1999			Oct 1 - Dec 31, 1999		
	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Afghanistan				1	0	0.0						
Albania							2	2	100.0			
Algeria				1	0	0.0						
Andorra				1	1	100.0						
Argentina	1	1	100.0				1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0
Armenia				1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0			
Australia	16	9	56.3	18	15	83.3	27	19	70.4	29	24	82.8
Austria	2	0	0.0									
Azerbaijan										1	0	0.0
Azores				1	0	0.0						
Bahamas	5	2	40.0	4	1	25.0				1	0	0.0
Bahrain							1	1	100.0	3	1	33.3
Bangladesh										1	0	0.0
Barbados	1	0	0.0				2	0	0.0	2	0	0.0
Belgium	2	2	100.0	1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
Belize (British Honduras)				1	1	100.0						
Bolivia	1	1	100.0									
Bosnia and Herzegovina							1	0	0.0			
Botswana				1	0	0.0				1	0	0.0
Brazil	2	0	0.0	5	1	20.0	4	4	100.0	5	3	60.0
British West Indies				1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	2	0	0.0
Brunei-Darrussalam							1	0	0.0			
Bulgaria	4	2	50.0	1	0	0.0	2	1	50.0	3	2	66.7
Cameroon, Free Republic of							2	1	50.0	1	0	0.0
Canada	260	196	75.4	344	285	82.8	433	348	80.4	331	246	74.3
Central African Republic										1	0	0.0

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NCLEX-RN® Examination

Country of Education	Jan 1 - Mar 31, 1999			Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1999			Jul 1 - Sep 30, 1999			Oct 1 - Dec 31, 1999		
	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Chile										2	1	50.0
Colombia	1	0	0.0	2	1	50.0	4	2	50.0	3	2	66.7
Comoro Islands	1	0	0.0									
Costa Rica				2	0	0.0				2	0	0.0
Croatia	1	0	0.0									
Cuba	5	1	20.0	2	0	0.0	5	2	40.0	3	1	33.3
Czech Republic				1	0	0.0						
Czechoslovakia	2	0	0.0	4	4	100.0	2	1	50.0	2	1	50.0
Denmark	1	1	100.0	4	3	75.0				3	1	33.3
Dominica				2	0	0.0	1	0	0.0			
Dominican Republic	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0			
Ecuador	2	0	0.0	1	0	0.0						
Egypt, Arab Republic of				2	1	50.0	1	0	0.0	5	1	20.0
El Salvador	1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	3	0	0.0	2	1	50.0
England	54	39	72.2	72	56	77.8	51	36	70.6	48	34	70.8
Eritrea	1	0	0.0				1	0	0.0			
Estonia	2	1	50.0									
Ethiopia	9	3	33.3	10	4	40.0	8	3	37.5	8	2	25.0
Faroe Islands	1	0	0.0									
Fiji Islands				1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0
Finland				2	2	100.0	1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0
France	2	0	0.0	4	0	0.0				3	2	66.7
French Polynesia				2	0	0.0	2	0	0.0			
Gabon	3	2	66.7	4	1	25.0	1	0	0.0			
Gambia	1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	2	0	0.0			
Georgia							1	0	0.0			
Germany	8	4	50.0	8	4	50.0	11	7	63.6	11	8	72.7
Ghana	8	2	25.0	10	4	40.0	11	3	27.3	14	6	42.9

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NCLEX-RN® Examination

Country of Education	Jan 1 - Mar 31, 1999			Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1999			Jul 1 - Sep 30, 1999			Oct 1 - Dec 31, 1999		
	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Greece							2	0	0.0			
Grenada and the Grenadines				1	0	0.0	2	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
Guatemala				1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
Guyana	6	1	16.7	6	0	0.0	5	3	60.0	5	0	0.0
Haiti	4	0	0.0	6	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
Honduras				1	0	0.0						
Hong Kong	7	4	57.1	5	2	40.0	4	0	0.0			
Hungary	2	2	100.0	1	0	0.0	2	1	50.0	1	0	0.0
Iceland	1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	2	2	100.0	1	1	100.0
India	92	21	22.8	88	34	38.6	87	29	33.3	102	34	33.3
Indonesia	3	0	0.0	4	0	0.0	5	0	0.0	4	0	0.0
Iran	13	2	15.4	12	6	50.0	9	6	66.7	12	4	33.3
Iraq				1	1	100.0				2	0	0.0
Ireland	3	2	66.7	12	8	66.7	10	8	80.0	5	5	100.0
Israel	8	4	50.0	6	3	50.0	11	8	72.7	4	3	75.0
Italy	1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	2	1	50.0	3	0	0.0
Ivory Coast	1	1	100.0									
Jamaica	14	4	28.6	13	5	38.5	13	5	38.5	15	8	53.3
Japan	7	5	71.4	9	6	66.7	13	2	15.4	3	3	100.0
Jordan	4	2	50.0	4	2	50.0	3	1	33.3	2	1	50.0
Kazakhstan				1	0	0.0						
Kenya	2	1	50.0	8	5	62.5	4	3	75.0	7	4	57.1
Korea	173	97	56.1	171	83	48.5	177	102	57.6	211	101	47.9
Korea (North)										2	0	0.0
Kyrgyzstan							1	0	0.0			
Lebanon							5	3	60.0	3	2	66.7
Leeward Islands							1	0	0.0			
Liberia	1	0	0.0	2	1	50.0				1	0	0.0
Lithuania							1	0	0.0			

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NCLEX-RN® Examination

Country of Education	Jan 1 - Mar 31, 1999			Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1999			Jul 1 - Sep 30, 1999			Oct 1 - Dec 31, 1999		
	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Macau				1	0	0.0						
Macedonia, Former Yugoslav							1	0	0.0			
Malawi							1	1	100.0			
Malaysia										1	1	100.0
Marshall Islands				1	1	100.0						
Martinique										1	0	0.0
Mauritania				1	1	100.0						
Mexico	9	2	22.2	13	1	7.7	9	0	0.0	12	1	8.3
Moldova										1	0	0.0
Namibia (S.W. Africa)										1	1	100.0
Nepal				2	1	50.0				1	0	0.0
Netherlands	1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0	3	3	100.0	4	3	75.0
New Zealand	9	6	66.7	3	3	100.0	9	8	88.9	9	7	77.8
Nicaragua							1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0
Nigeria	84	20	23.8	80	17	21.3	56	19	33.9	67	16	23.9
Northern Ireland	3	1	33.3	1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0			
Norway	1	1	100.0				1	1	100.0			
Okinawa										1	1	100.0
Pakistan	7	1	14.3	10	3	30.0	10	3	30.0	10	3	30.0
Palestine										1	1	100.0
Panama, Republic of				1	1	100.0	3	1	33.3	1	0	0.0
Peoples Republic of China	23	13	56.5	27	19	70.4	27	18	66.7	25	14	56.0
Peru	4	2	50.0	5	1	20.0	2	0	0.0	2	1	50.0
Philippines	381	91	23.9	385	95	24.7	456	125	27.4	631	211	33.4
Poland	13	6	46.2	9	4	44.4	9	2	22.2	9	3	33.3
Portugal							1	1	100.0	2	0	0.0
Portugese West Africa										1	0	0.0

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NCLEX-RN® Examination

Country of Education	Jan 1 - Mar 31, 1999			Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1999			Jul 1 - Sep 30, 1999			Oct 1 - Dec 31, 1999		
	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
Rumania Romania	5	1	20.0	10	5	50.0	8	3	37.5	4	2	50.0
Russia	28	12	42.9	42	16	38.1	37	17	45.9	33	12	36.4
Rwanda										1	0	0.0
Scotland	6	3	50.0	4	4	100.0	7	5	71.4	5	4	80.0
Sierra Leone	7	2	28.6				5	0	0.0	4	2	50.0
Singapore	1	1	100.0				1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0
Slovakia							1	1	100.0			
Somail Dem Republic Somalia										1	1	100.0
South Africa	11	9	81.8	12	11	91.7	25	20	80.0	15	10	66.7
Spain	2	2	100.0	1	1	100.0	2	2	100.0	1	0	0.0
Sri Lanka (Ceylon)				1	0	0.0						
St Lucia										2	1	50.0
St. Vincent	1	0	0.0				1	0	0.0			
Sudan										1	0	0.0
Surinam				1	0	0.0				1	0	0.0
Sweden	4	3	75.0	2	1	50.0	2	2	100.0	5	4	80.0
Switzerland	1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0	3	3	100.0	1	1	100.0
Taiwan (Republic of China)	8	0	0.0	11	6	54.5	12	4	33.3	14	5	35.7
Tajikistan							4	2	50.0	2	1	50.0
Tanzania, United Republic of				1	1	100.0				1	0	0.0
Thailand	5	3	60.0	9	3	33.3	3	3	100.0	4	1	25.0
Tonga				1	0	0.0						
Trinidad & Tobago	4	3	75.0	4	1	25.0	4	2	50.0	3	1	33.3
Turkey	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0				4	1	25.0
Uganda										1	0	0.0
Ukraine	6	2	33.3	8	4	50.0	17	5	29.4	9	4	44.4

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Country of Education	Jan 1 - Mar 31, 1999			Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1999			Jul 1 - Sep 30, 1999			Oct 1 - Dec 31, 1999		
	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed	Candidates Examined	Number Passed	Percent Passed
United Arab Emirates				1	0	0.0				1	0	0.0
Uzbekistan	1	0	0.0	4	0	0.0	7	0	0.0	8	0	0.0
Vatican City State				1	1	100.0						
Venezuela				1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
Wales				2	1	50.0	1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0
Yugoslavia, Fed Republic of							1	0	0.0			
Yugoslavia/Former	6	0	0.0	5	3	60.0	3	0	0.0	2	2	100.0
Zambia				1	0	0.0	2	1	50.0	2	2	100.0
Zimbabwe							2	2	100.0	2	0	0.0
Total	1372	600	43.7	1535	754	49.1	1686	863	51.2	1788	824	46.1

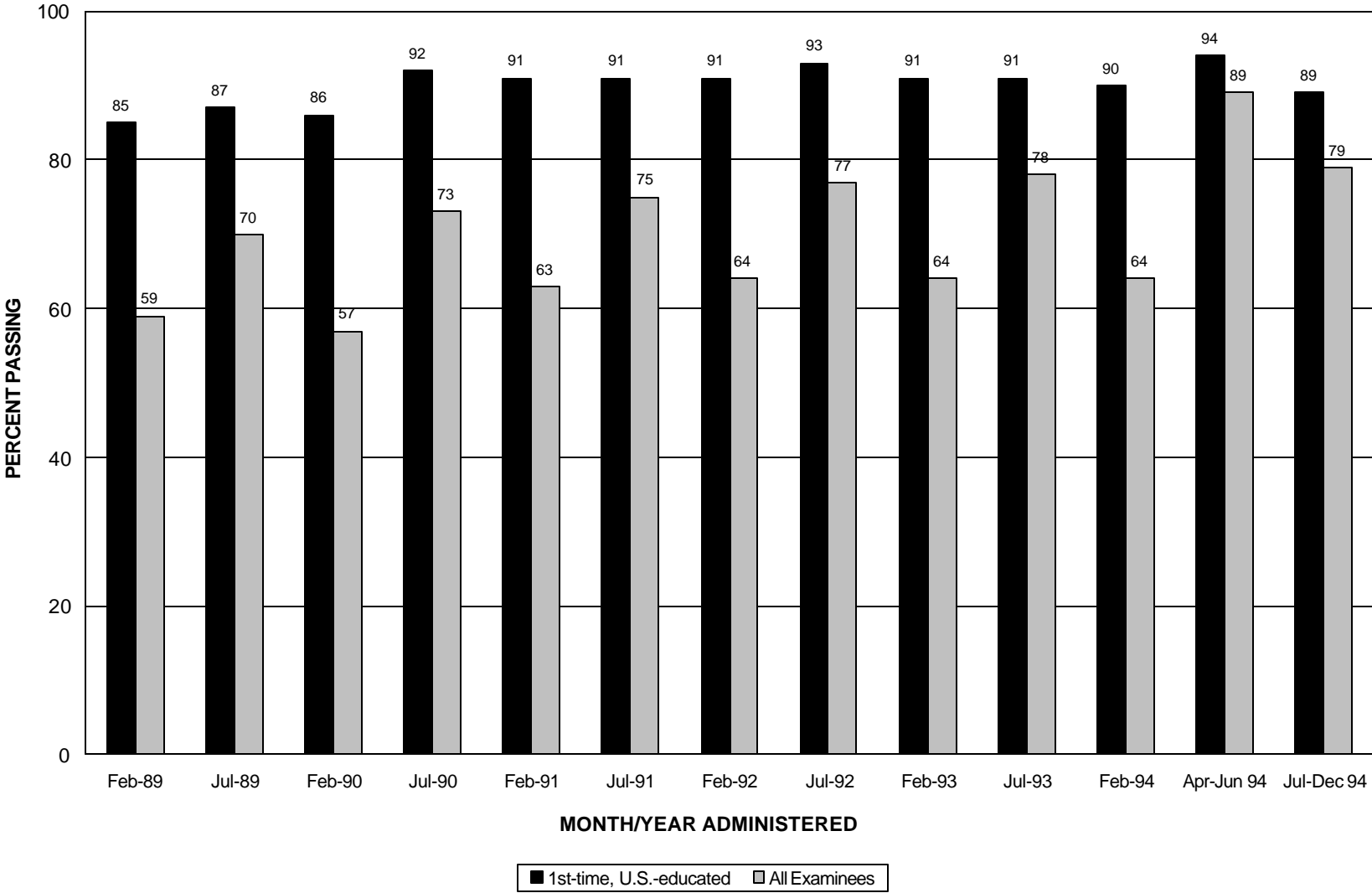
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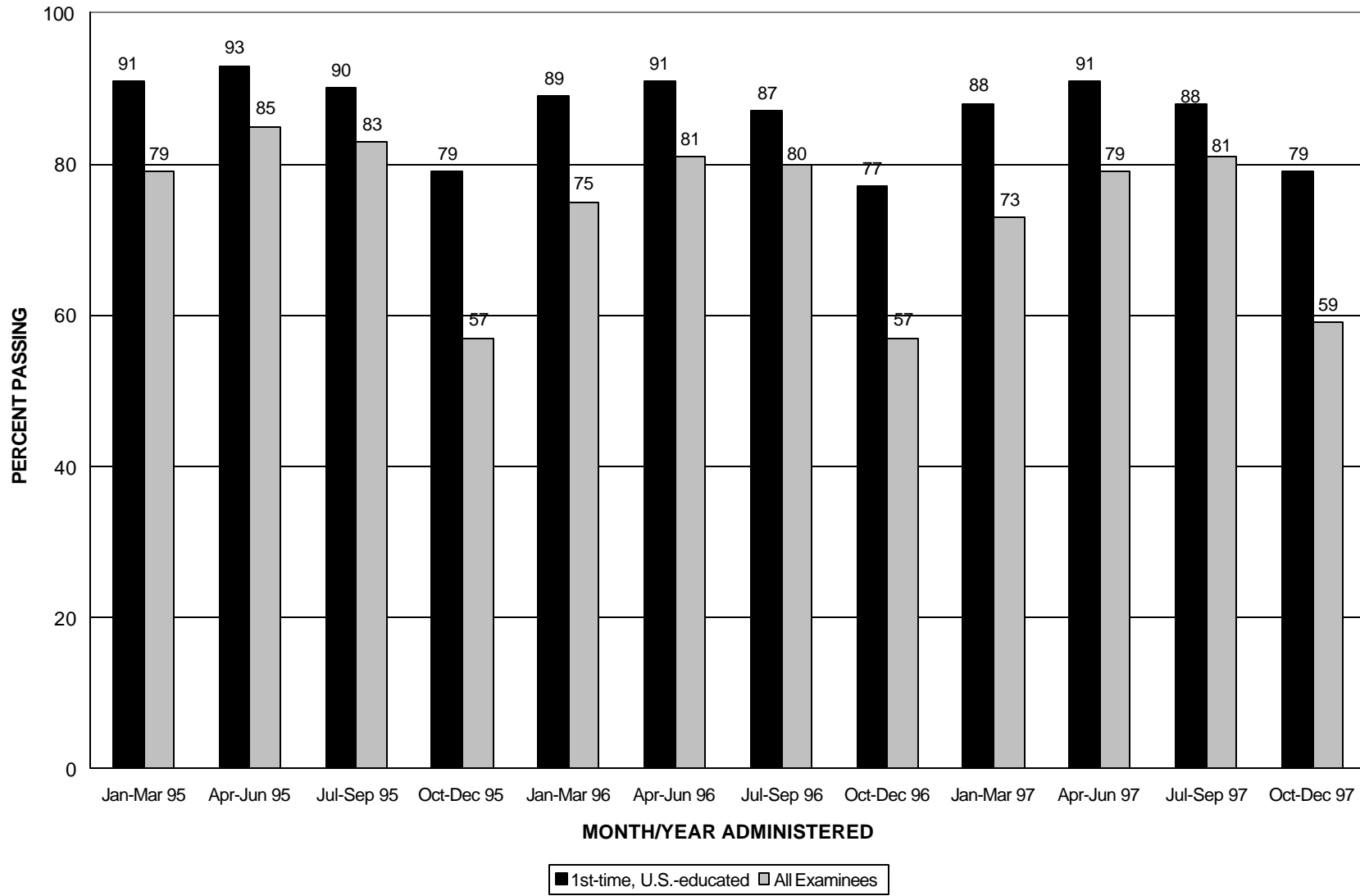
	January - December 1999
*Passing Standard	-0.35
Estimated Decision Consistency	0.90
Average Number of Test Items (Questions) Taken	123.3
Percent Taking Minimum Number of Items	48.4%
Percent Taking Maximum Number of Items	13.4%
Average Testing Time	2.30 hrs
Percent Taking Maximum Amount of Time	4.0%

*The passing standard is presented in units, called logits, on the Rasch measurement scale.

NATIONAL PASSING RATE: REGISTERED NURSES, 1989-1994



NATIONAL PASSING RATE: REGISTERED NURSES, 1995-1997



NATIONAL PASSING RATE: REGISTERED NURSES, 1998-1999